Kanwaka Good Will Club

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This is a ledger for the Kanwaka Good Will Club, a women's literary group in Douglas County, Kansas. It contains the club's motto, constitution, club songs, colors, officers, minutes, annual reports, and attendance. The club was organized in 1929 and disbanded in the 1960s.

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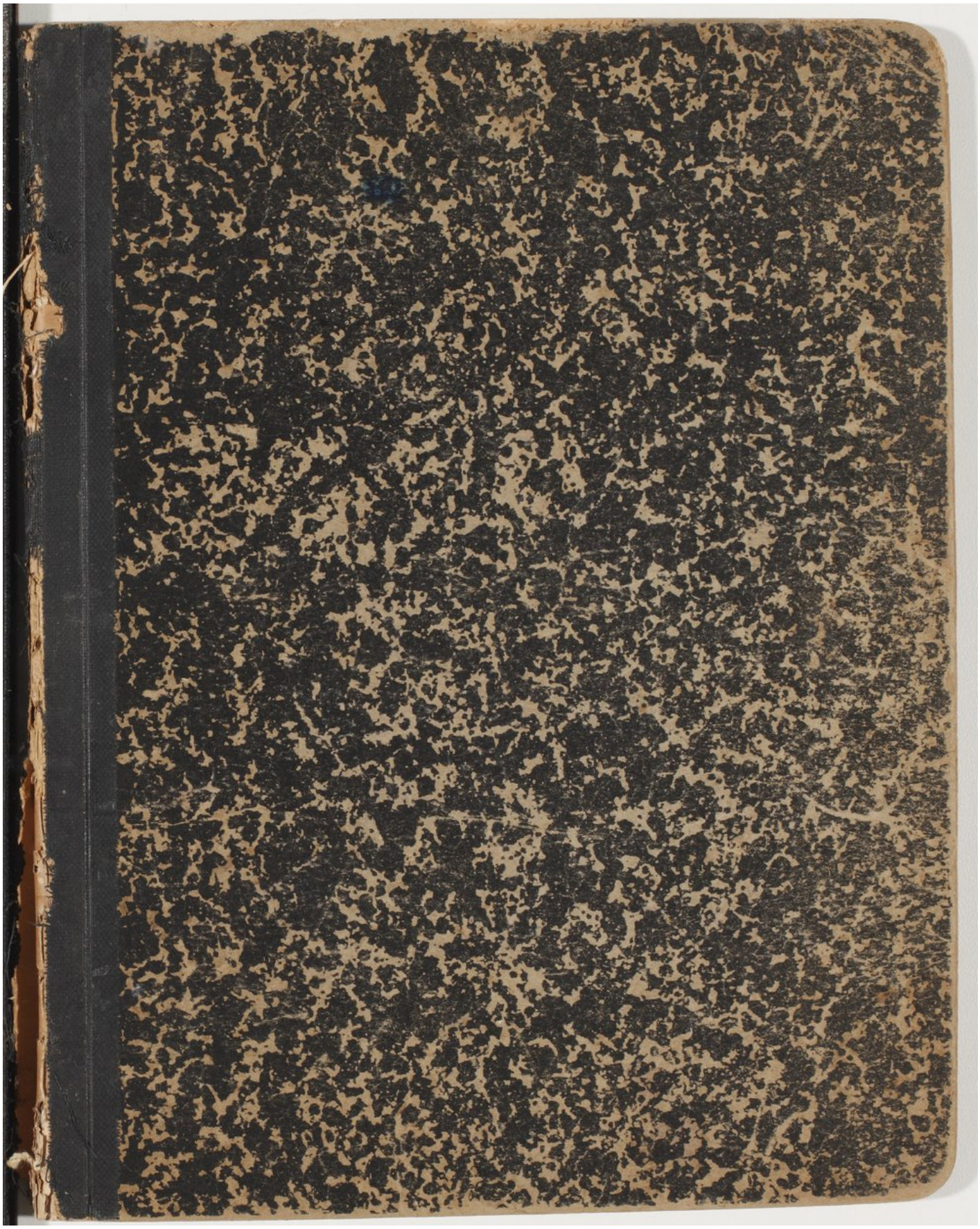
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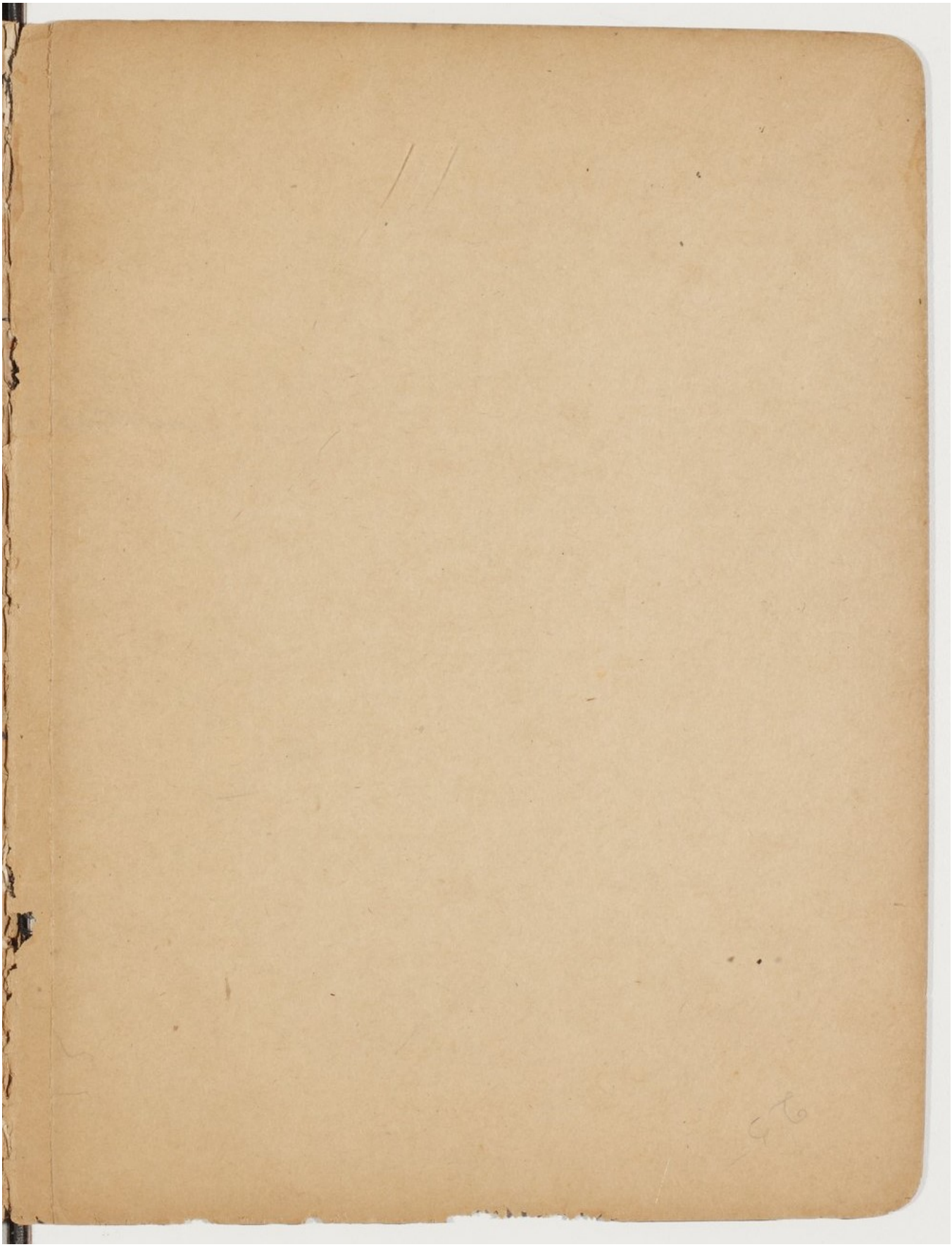
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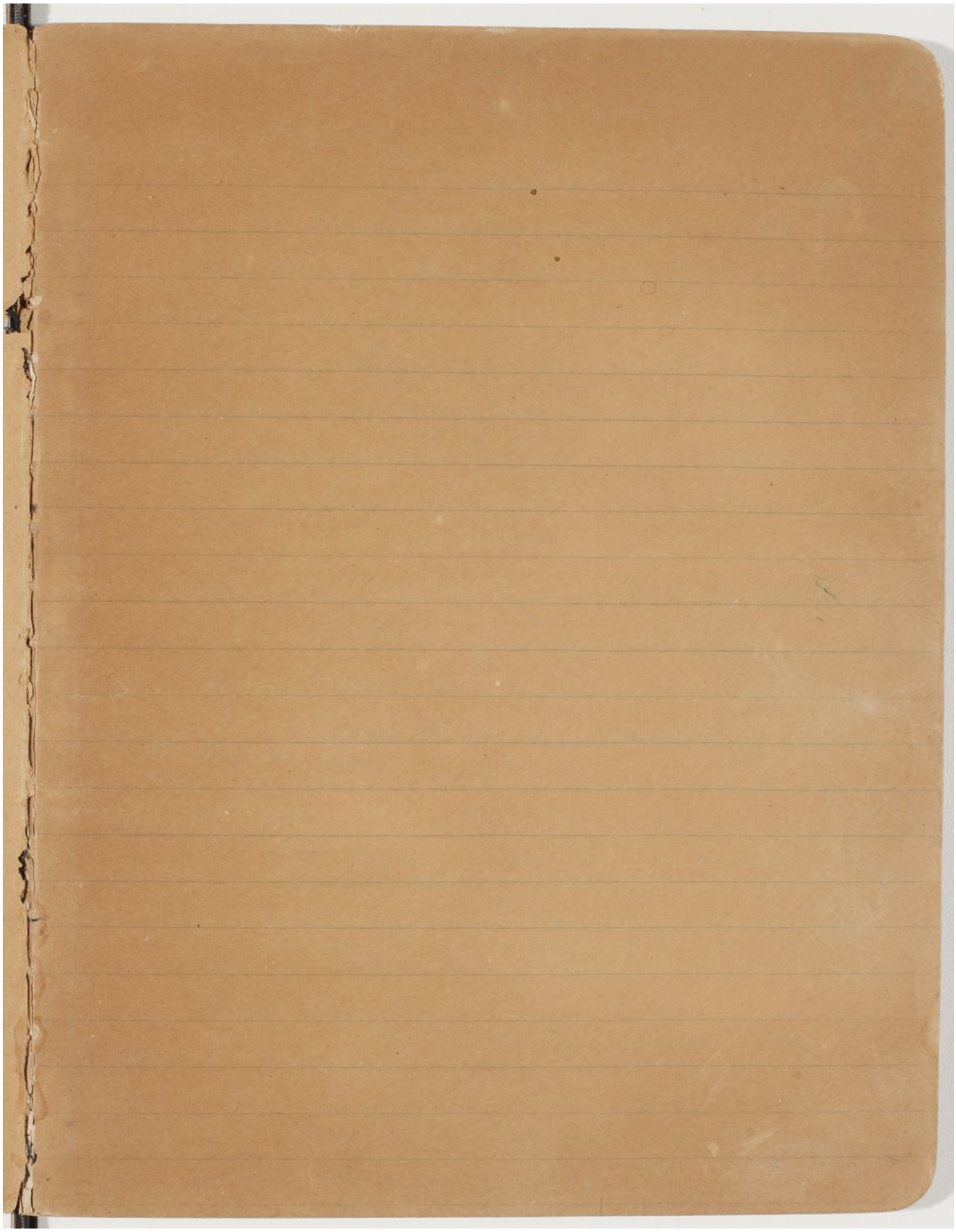
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- Club Songs -

"Golden Rule Song."

We have joined together for our good
Kanwaka Goodwill club
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To help each other as we should
As neighbors ought to do.

Do Unto others as ye would
That they should do to you
That they should do to you
Shall be our motto kind and good
A motto tried and True.

Good Will and friendship we extend
To all who with us dwell
To all who with us dwell
We'll make them welcome; be a friend
In sickness or if well.

Composed by Mrs Guy Bigsby.

"Good-Will" Tune "Kansas Land."

Oh yes, our club is called "Good-Will"
And all its Members will be filled
With harmony and choice of song
And cast out everything that's wrong.
Cho.

Oh Goodwill club, Dear Good-will club
We'll meet together, twice a month
We plan our work and count each day
When we will meet with you again,
and we will work for something new
To tell our sisters all so true.

composed by Myra Pierson.

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Kanwaka Good Will club.
-1928-
Organized September 25th 1928.

-Motto-
Do unto others as you would have others do unto you.

-Club Songs-
Opening Song. "Golden Rule Song." Composed by Mrs Guy Bigsby
Closing Song. - "Good-Will" - tune Kansas Land. Composed by Mrs. Mark Pierson.

-Flower-
Goldenrod.

-Colors-
Blue and Gold

-Officiers-
President - Mrs. E. G. Harbour
Vice President - Mrs. Herman Leonhart.
Secretary - Mrs. Floyd. Conroy.
Treasurer - Mrs. George T. Richards.
Executive Board - Mrs. Guy Bigsby, chairman.
Mrs. Mark. Pierson, Mrs. Elmer Stanwix.

Constitution of the Kanwaka Good Will Club.

Article I.

-Name-

This organization shall be called the Kanwaka Good Will club.

- Article II - Object-

The object of this organization is to promote the social and intellectual welfare of the community.

- Article - III - Officers -

Section I - The officers of this club shall be the President, - Vice President - Secretary - and Treasurer.

Section II - The duties of these officers shall be those generally performed by similar officers of corporated bodies.

- Article IV - meeting -

Section I - The Kanwaka Good Will club shall meet on alternate Wednesdays at 2 30 P. M.

Section II - One half the members shall constitute a Quorum.

Section III-
The annual meeting for the election of officers shall be held at the first meeting in September.
- Section IV -
This club shall entertain their husbands and families at least once a year.

Article V - Membership -

Section I -
The membership of this organization shall be limited to twenty-five families of this community - Extended to 30

Section II
In accordance with (article two) of this constitution - it shall be unconstitutional for any person holding membership in the Kanwaka Literary club to become a member of the Kanwaka Good Will Club.

Article VI - Dues -

The annual dues shall be .50 cts per. annum
(See article XII -) amended to 25 ¢ Sept. 25, 19

Article VII -

Section I - The officers shall constitute the executive committee.
Section II - The President shall choose

three members in addition, which together with the executive committee shall constitute an executive council.

-Article-VIII-

Section I. Each member shall take part in the meetings as assigned and entertain at least once a year.

Section II- Each hostess shall confine her refreshments to a limited menu. not more than two things to eat, and one to drink.

Section I- Article IX-

This constitution may be amended by al presenting the amendment in writing and reading it at two consecutive meetings before being voted on.

Section II- This constitution and bylaws shall be read whenever a new member is taken into the club.

Section III- If any member has a candidate for membership, she shall present the name for discussion, and if agreeable to the majority a [illegible] being

being present, an invitation be extended to the candidate to become a member of Kanwaka Good Will club. and she shall then be received into full membership. after signing this Constitution and payment of dues as herein prescribed.

Section IV - If any member wishes to withdraw from membership she shall ask orally or written that her name be dropped from the roll.

Article X -

Section I - September 20th shall be designated as founders day.

Article XI -

There shall be no secret balloting or electioneering in conducting the business of this club.

article XII - (part of article VI)

Dues are payable on or before Sept. of each year.

Section I: If any member be recieved during the year, her dues shall be assesed according to time she enters.

Amendment No I

In case any member shall move away without resigning, or shall fail to attend meetings for a year without good excuse, or fail to pay dues, the secretary shall drop the name of that member from the roll when making out the new roll.

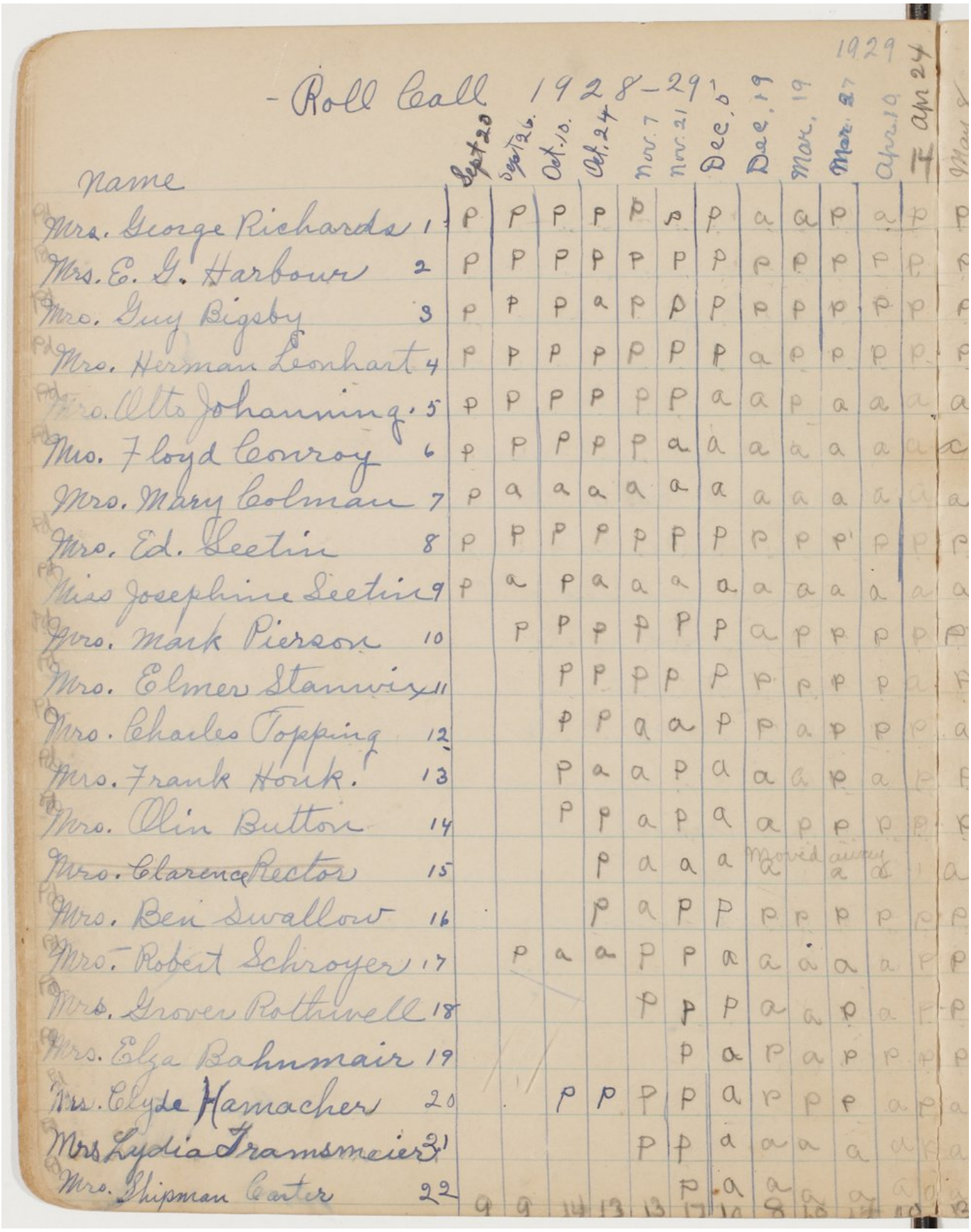
Amendment No. 2

Flowers are to be sent to the immediate members in case of sickness and in case of a death flowers are to be sent to the immediate members and their near relatives. In case of the death of a friend or neighbor other than a member of the club a card of sympathy expressing our sorrow in their bereavement is sufficient.

Amendment No. 3.

Motion was made and second that Art. I Sec. II be repealed from the constitution of our club.

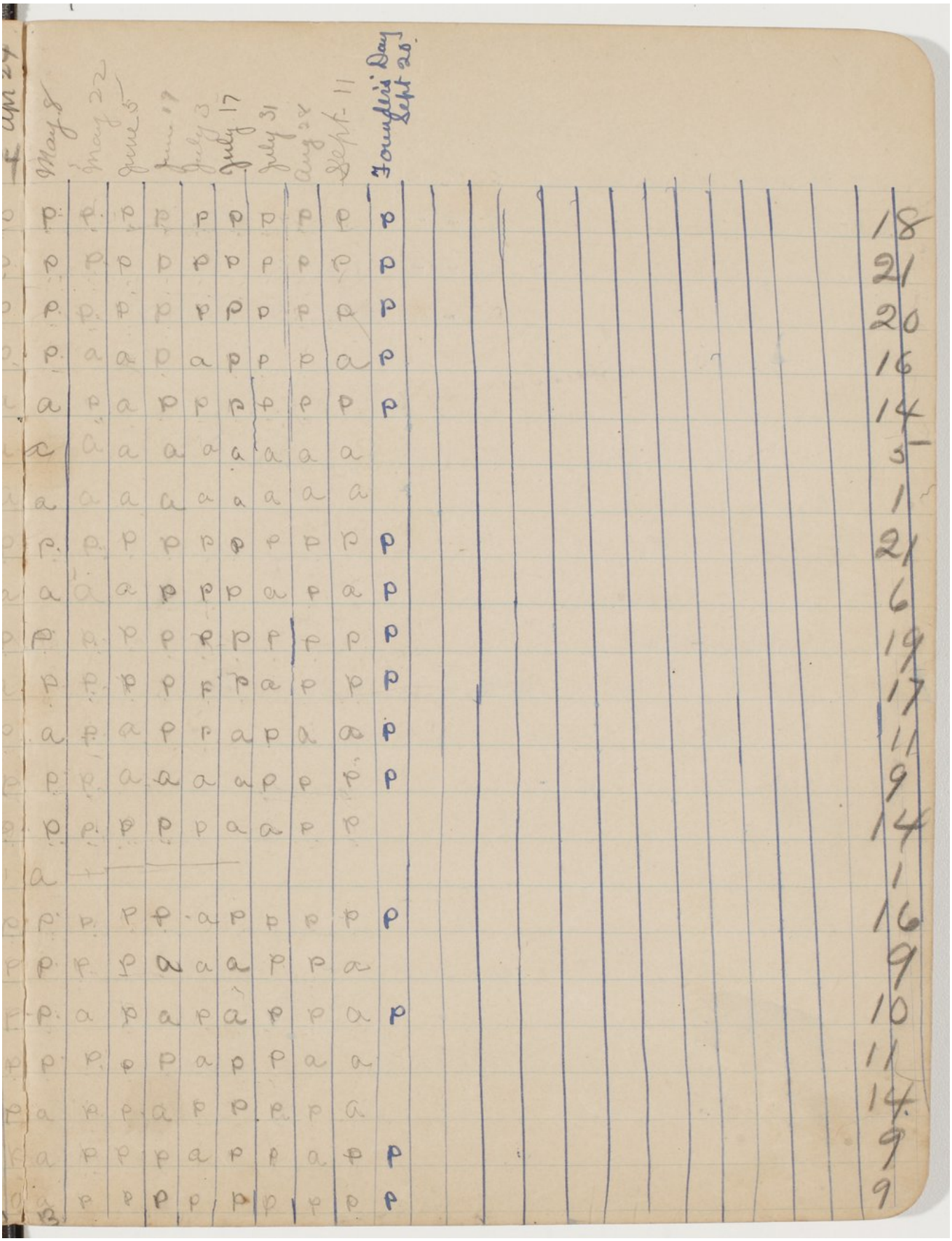
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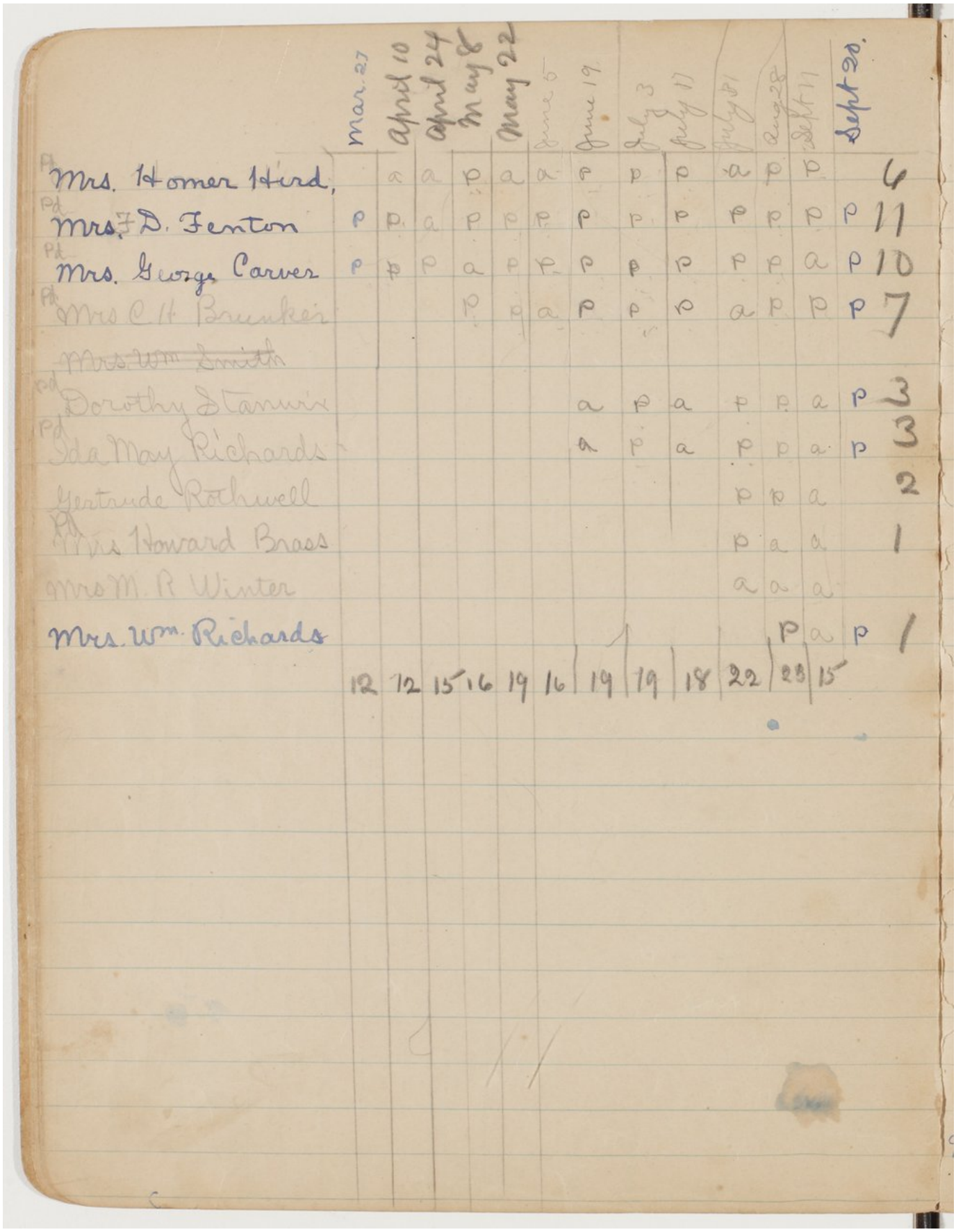
- Roll Call 1928-29

Name		Sept 20	Sept 26	Oct. 10	Oct. 24	Nov. 7	Nov. 21	Dec. 5	Dec. 19	Mar. 19	Mar. 27	Apr. 10	Apr 24
Mrs. George Richards	1	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	a	a	P	a	P
Mrs. E. G. Harbour	2	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Mrs. Guy Bigsby	3	P	P	P	a	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Mrs. Herman Leonhart	4	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	a	P	P	P	P
Mrs. Alta Johanning	5	P	P	P	P	P	P	a	a	P	a	a	a
Mrs. Floyd Conroy	6	P	P	P	P	P	a	a	a	a	a	a	a
Mrs. Mary Colman	7	P	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	a
Mrs. Ed. Seetin	8	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Miss Josephine Seetin	9	P	a	P	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	a	a
Mrs. Mark Pierson	10		P	P	P	P	P	P	a	P	P	P	P
Mrs. Elmer Stanwix	11			P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	a
Mrs. Charles Topping	12			P	P	a	a	P	P	a	P	P	P
Mrs. Frank Houk.	13			P	a	a	P	a	a	a	P	a	P
Mrs. Olin Button	14			P	P	a	P	a	a	P	P	P	P
Mrs. Clarence Rector	15				P	a	a	a	Moved	away	a	a	a
Mrs. Ben Swallow	16				P	a	P	P	P	P	P	P	P
Mrs. Robert Schroyer	17		P	a	a	P	P	a	a	a	a	a	P
Mrs. Grover Rothwell	18					P	P	P	a	a	P	a	P
Mrs. Elza Bahnmair	19						P	a	P	a	P	P	P
Mrs. Clyde Hamacher	20			P	P	P	P	a	P	P	P	a	P
Mrs Lydia Tramsmeier	21					P	P	a	a	a	a	a	a
Mrs. Shipman Carter	22						P	a	a	a	a	a	a
		9	9	14	13	13	17	16	8	10	17	16	17

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	Mar. 27	April 10	April 24	May 8	May 22	June 5	June 19	July 3	July 17	July 31	Aug 28	Sept 11	Sept 20.	
Mrs. Homer Hird,		a	a	p	a	a	p	p	p	a	p	p		6
Mrs. D. Fenton	p	p	a	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	11
Mrs. George Carver	p	p	p	a	p	p	p	p	p	p	p	a	p	10
Mrs C H Brunker				p	p	a	p	p	p	a	p	p	p	7
~~Mrs Wm Smith~~														
Dorothy Stanwix							a	p	a	p	p	a	p	3
Ida May Richards							a	p	a	p	p	a	p	3
Gertrude Rockwell										p	p	a		2
Mrs Howard Brass										p	a	a		1
Mrs M. R Winter										a	a	a		
Mrs. Wm. Richards											p	a	p	1
	12	12	15	16	19	16	19	19	18	22	23	15		

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Minutes of the Kanwaka Good Will club

Sept. 20. 1928.

A group of ladies met at the home of Mrs. H. Leonhart Thursday, Sept. 20, to organize a new club in Kanwaka. Mrs. Guy Bigsby acted as temporary chairman An election of officers was held. Mrs. E. G. L. Harbour was elected President. Mrs. Leonhart: vice president, Mrs. Floyd Conroy, Secretary, and Mrs. George Richards, Treasurer. Dues of 50 cents annually were voted. The name "Kanwaka Good Will Club" was adopted, being suggested by Mrs. Guy Bigsby.

A program consisting of songs by the club and a solo by Mrs. Seelin: "The Sweetest Story ever told" was given.

Refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by Mrs Harbour and Mrs. Richards.

The meeting adjourned to meet again on Wednesday, Sept 26 with Mrs. Harbour.

Those present were: Mrs. Guy Bigsby, Mrs Harbour, Mrs. Leonhart, Mrs. Geo. Richards, Mrs Merle Colman, and daughter, Ruth, Mrs S. E. Seelin and daughter, Josephine., Mrs. Homer Hird, Mrs Johanning Mrs Conroy

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Sept. 26, 1928

The ladies of the Kanwaka Good Will Club met at the home of Mrs E G. L Harbour on Wednesday, Sept. 26

"The Song of the Kansas Emigrants" was used as an opening song.

Roll call was answered with favorite poems. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved

The Constitution, drafted by a committee consisting of the officers and Mrs. Bigsby in addition, was submitted for the first time and discussed.

The names of ten women were presented for membership - and upon a favorable vote, invitations were sent to them asking them to become members of the club. They are as follows:

Mrs Stanwix, Mrs. Bahumeier, Mrs Carter, Mrs Button, Mrs ~~Rothwell~~ Duffee, Mrs. Trausmeier Mrs Topping Miss ~~Swallow~~ Northrup, Mrs Pryor and Mrs Rector

Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Adjourned to meet Oct 10 with Mrs S.E. Seeton.

Kanwaka Good Will Club

Oct. 10. 1928.

The Kanwaka Good Will Club met at the home of Mrs. Deeter Wednesday afternoon, Oct. 10. A song, "When You and I were Young, Maggie," was sung by the club.

Roll call was answered by each member giving an "Autumn" poem

The Golden Rod was chosen as the Club flower, and the Golden Rule as the Club Motto.

One new member, Mrs Clyde Hamacher was added to the club, and four other names presented for consideration Mrs. Grover Rothwell, Mrs. Ben Swallow, Mrs Pryor and Mrs. Bahumeier.

The president appointed Mrs. Bigsby, Mrs Pierson and Mrs Stanwix as a committee, which with the officers will constitute the executive council.

The constitution was read for the second time.

The president announced a song contest Each member to ~~present~~ submit a song at the next

meeting from which one to be used as a Club song to be selected.
The program included community singing and various interesting articles read by the members and was concluded by music on the harp and mandolin by Sam Seetin, his mother accompaning him on the piano.

Refreshments were served at the close of the afternoon. The next meeting to be with Mrs. Pierson, Oct. 24. Roll-call Current Events.

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Oct 24.

The Kanwaka Good Will Club met with Mrs. M. J. Pierson, Wednesday, Oct. 24. Swanee River was sung as an Opening Song. Roll call was answered by Current Events Minutes of previous meeting read and approved -

The Constitution was adopted upon the third reading. Two songs, one "The Good Will Song" by Mrs Pierson and the other, "The Golden Rule Song" by Mrs. Guy Bigsby were submitted in the Contest. action on them deferred to the next meeting.

Mrs George Richards read an interesting article entitled "Many Changes in the White House since 1800." Mrs. Seetin sang a group of songs: "I Dreamt I Dwelt in Marble Halls" and "Then You'll Remember Me" from "The Bohemian Girl" and Schubert's "Serenade."

Adjourned to meet with Mrs. Conroy, Nov. 7.

Refreshments were served by the hostess -

Mrs. Wilson Martin was a guest

Nov. 7.

The Kanwaka Good-Will Club met Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 7 with Mrs Floyd Conroy. Mrs. George Richards was appointed Secty. Pro Tem. Meeting opened by singing the two club songs. Motion was made and carried that ~~the~~ both songs be adopted one for an opening song and one for a closing one. Roll call was answered by items of current interest Minutes of last meeting were read and approved. The club chose as club colors: "Blue and Gold" A motion was made we start our meetings at 2 o'clock during the winter months.. A bill of 75 cents for a flowers for Mrs O'Brien was presented by Mrs. Bigsby was allowed. A bill of .25 cents for a Secretary's book presented by Mrs George Richards also allowed. No other business the programs followed. Mrs. C.E. Stanwix read a very interesting article from the Geographic Magazine entitled "Around the World in an Islander" This was a narrative of a four years cruise by Captain Harry Pidgen in a 34 foot craft he had built for the purpose Mrs Stanwix

also revealed the fact that Capt. Pidgen is a first cousin of Mrs Job. Allen of Kanwaka making the article of more personal interest. Then music on the victrola ~~closed~~ concluded the program. The next meeting will be with Mrs. C. E Stanwix, Nov. 21. The topic for roll-call will be "Thanksgiving". The guests were Mrs. Frank Higley, Mrs. M. R. Winter and Mrs. Howard Brass.

Mrs. Geo. Richards
Secty Pro Tem.

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Nov. 21.

The Kanwaka Good Will Club met Wednesday afternoon, Nov. 21 with Mrs. C. E. Stannix. The meeting opened by singing 'The Golden Rule' Song. Roll Call was Thanksgiving Poems The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as read. Mrs Richards acted as secretary in the absence of Mrs. Conroy. A bill of $1.50 was presented for flowers for Mrs. Topping's mother, Mrs. O'Brien. Motion made and carried that we allow the bill. No other business, the program followed.
Mrs. Herman Leonhart read a magazine article entitled "Mastering the Mike." Mrs. Guy Bigsby gave a sketch of the life of Franz Schubert, the centenial of whose death was lately celebrated. A Schubert composition, "Tema Andante" was played on the piano by Mrs Seetin, and Schubert's "Serenade" was sung as a duet by Mrs Seetin and Mrs. Bigsby. Mrs. Bigsby gave an interesting nutrition talk. The guests were Mrs. Grigory and Mrs Lawrence Thatcher. The next meeting will be with Mrs Charles Topping, Dec. 5.

Mrs. Richards, Secty Pro. Tem

Dec. 5.

The Kanwaka Good Will Club met Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 5. with Mrs. Charles Topping. The meeting opened with the Club Song. Roll-call was the Origin of Common Foods. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Discussion of quilt blocks for our friendship quilt was followed by adoption of one pattern to be made by the next meeting by Mrs Richards A committee of three was appointed to make pop corn balls for the children: Mrs. Lenhart, Mrs. Stanwix and Mrs. Richards. A Motion was made and carried that each member bring 25 cents to the next meeting to be given to some poor child for Christmas, instead of having an exchange of Christmas gifts Mrs Seeton will furnish the music for the next meeting. Mrs. Ben Swallow read a magazine article and Mrs. J.R. Topping gave two readings: "Grigsby's Station" and "Shocking Aunty". Refreshments were served a la cafeteria. Mrs. Topping and Mrs. Colman poured tea and coffee at the dining table which was decorated with Christmas candles and greens. The guests were Mrs. W.A. Colman, Mrs.

J. R. Topping and Miss Hannah Howe all of Lawrence. Adjourned to meet in two weeks with Mrs Guy Bigsby -

Mrs. Richards, Secty Pro Tem.

Dec. 19, 1928.

The Kanwaka Good Will Club met Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 19 with Mrs Guy Bigsby. The Golden Rule Song opened the meeting, and at roll call many excellent Christmas poems were given. Mrs. Charles Topping was appointed Secretary pro tem. in the absence of Mrs. Conroy. The program was in charge of Mrs S. E. Seetin and Mrs Bigsby, who had chosen "Christmas Music" for their theme. Mrs. Charles Topping read the "First Christmas Carol" from St Luke's Gospel. The singing of the familiar Christmas hymns was preceded by a short sketch about each one, and included "O, Little Town of Bethlehem," "It came upon a Midnight Clear," "Silent Night," "O, Come, All ye Faithful" "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," and "Joy to the World."

Mrs. E. G. L. Harbour read a story of "The Little

Brown Church in the Vale" and the song Mrs. Seetin and Mrs Bigsby sang as a duet. Little Miss Elizabeth Ann Bigsby sang "Luther's Cradle Hymn" and "Kriss Kringle." Mrs. Bigsby read "The Origin of St. Nicholas and Mrs. B. W. Swallow read a Christmas Story. The closing number was "Cantique de Noel" a Christmas song, by Adolphe Adam, a solo by Mrs. Seetin, playing her own accompaniment Miss Flora Nell Bigsby and Mrs. Ernest Bigsby assisted their mother in serving the refreshments. Roy Hamacher's birthday occurring Dec. 20, was observed by a birthday cake bearing five lighted candles ~~and~~ which was of much interest to the little folks present.

A motion was carried to discontinue meetings during the winter months on account of the difficulty the mothers with little children have by taking them out in severe weather. The Christmas fund amounting to something over $2.07 collected at this meeting was given to Miss McAuliffe, the County Health Nurse to get some needed article for some child.

Adjourned to meet at the call of the President.

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Mar. 19, 1929.

The Kanwaka Good Will Club was invited to meet Tuesday March 19, with Mrs. Otto Johanning to help her quilt a beautiful friendship quilt. Five members arrived in the morning. At noon a bountiful repast was served. Mrs. Pierson assisted Mrs Johanning in the preparation of the dinner. In the afternoon four more members arrived to assist with the work of the day. The president called the meeting to order and appointed Mrs Guy Bigsby, Secty. pro tem. After roll call the minutes of the two previous meetings were read and approved. Since Mrs Conroy, our Secretary has moved to Shawnee Co, and it will be impossible for her to attend regularly, the president asked for nominations for secretary. Mrs. Guy Bigsby was elected by acclamation. Some discussion concerning the making of an album quilt by each member led to a motion that it was not to be compulsary, but left the making of the quilts to the discretion of each member. If any member desires one, each member is to help her.

During the afternoon, Mrs. Seelin added much to the

pleasure of the occasion by playing a number of selections on the organ. Among those were "Keller's American Hymn." "Largo" by Handel and the Negro Spiritual "Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" and Believe me, if all those Endearing Young Charms
At the close of the afternoon, the hostess served more refreshments. Adjourned to meet Mar. 27 at the home of Mrs. E. G. L. Harbour.
Roll call: Garden Hints. Nellie M Bugsby Secy

Mar. 27. 1929.

Mrs E. G. L. Harbour was hostess to the Kanwaka Good Will Club Wednesday afternoon, Mar. 27. Fourteen members, five guests and 10 children were present. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs Harbour, who introduced Mrs Erna Corey, second district president of the P.T.A., who gave an interesting and instructive talk about the Parent-Teachers organization telling of its rapid growth, and the work it is accomplishing, and read the "Child's Bill of Rights which is sponsored by the National P. T. A. and approved by Pres. Herbert Hoover. She also extended an invitation to all present to

the County Conference of the P.-T. A. at the Chamber of Commerce building on Sat. Apr. 6. Mrs Corey then told something of the social work among the Mexican residents of Lawrence. A rising vote of thanks was given to Mrs. Corey. The Vice Pres. Mrs. Leonhart then took the chair, so that the hostess might serve Mrs. Corey, who could not remain for the rest of the afternoon on account of another engagement. The Golden Rule Song was then sung. Mrs. Leonhart was called home and Mrs. Chas. Topping was elected Chairman for the rest of the meeting. Roll call responses were "Garden Hints". The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and the treasurer reported a balance of 5.50. Three new names were presented for membership Mrs. George Carver, Mrs. D. Fenton, and Mrs. Marlin McCrary.

Mrs Olin Button read an interesting paper on "Cotton and its By-Products."

Mrs Job. Allen urged everyone present to come and help in the Kanwaka Sunday School.

The Good Will song closed the meeting.

During the social hour, Mrs Bigsby gave the words of a new Kansas Song, which all joined in singing. Refreshments were served at the close of the afternoon Mrs Richards assisting the hostess
Mrs. Corey, Mrs Carver, Mrs Fenton, Mrs. Allen and Miss Ida May Richards were the guests.
The Club adjourned to meet in two weeks with Mrs. B. W. Swallow.
Roll-call: Timely Topics.

Nellie M. Bigsby, Secty

April 10. 1929

The Kanwaka Good Will Club was entertained Wednesday, April 10 by Mrs. B. W. Swallow. Twelve members were present who responded to roll-call on "Timely Topics." The Golden Rule Song opened the meeting and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. For the benefit of the new members, the constitution was read. An amendment to the constitution to extend the limit of membership to 30 families instead of 25 was proposed and will be voted upon after a second reading at the

next meeting. It was moved and seconded that an invitation to become members of the Goodwill Club be sent to Mrs C.H. Brunker and Mrs. M.L. Griffin, who have recently moved into the neighborhood. The names of Ida May Richards, Ruby Houk and Dorothy Stanwix were also suggested for prospective members.

Stephen Collins Foster was the subject for the program, and Mrs. Charles Topping read a sketch of his life, the remainder of this program was a song fest using the more familiar of his songs: "My Old Kentucky Home" "Swanee River" "Old Black Joe" "Massa's in the Cold, Cold Ground," "Old Dog Tray" "Uncle Ned" and "Oh, Susannah" Mrs. Swallow played several selections on a saw; "Home, Sweet, Home," "Nellie Gray" and "The Prisoner's Song." The program closed with a Kansas Song and the Good Will Song. Refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. F.D. Fenton, Mrs. Norman Swallow and Miss Doris Swallow. The next meeting will be with Mrs Herman Leonhart. April 24th at Roll-call, each member to suggest a subject for a club program.

Nellie McBrayer

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April 24. 1929.

The Kanwaka Good Will Club met Wednesday afternoon, April 24 with Mrs. Herman Leonhart. The meeting opened with the Golden Rule and at roll-call, each responded with a suggestion for a future club meeting. Sixteen members and two guests were present. The amendment to the constitution to extend the limit to thirty members was read a second time and was carried. The name of Mrs. C. H. Brunker was added to the roll.

The program was "American Musicians" and the story of the life of Madame Schumann-Heink was read by Mrs Elza Bahnmeier. Mrs. Charles Topping illustrated this with a Victrola record by Mme Schumann-Heink: "My Tears Shall Flow" sung in Italian.

Mrs. Mark Pierson read a sketch about Edward McDowell and Mrs Seetin played two of his compositions: "To a Wild Rose," and "Indian Lodge."

Mrs. R. E. Schroyer read a story about Carrie Jacobs Bond and Mrs. Seetin sang