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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"Ivory Palaces," "The Quilting Party" "The Spanish Cavalier" "The Bull Dog on the Bank", "Solomon Levi" "In the Gloaming" were among the songs enjoyed. Some Stunts: "Packing a Trunk" and "Gathering Nuts" added amusement.

Mrs. George Kennett was a guest. During the social hour, the hostesses served refreshments. The Adjourned to meet in two weeks with Mrs Leonhart. Mrs Seeton to have charge of the program.

Mrs Guy Bigsby, Secty

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June 18, 1930

The Kanwaka Good Will Club met Wednesday afternoon June 18 with Mrs. H. Leonhart with 19 members present. The meeting opened with singing the Golden Rule Song. Miscellaneous items of interest were given at roll call. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. A communication was read from Mrs. C.B. Winter, thanking the club for the plant sent her. John Brookins was reported sick, and a motion was made and carried to send him a basket of fruit. a motion carried to send a baby book to Wanda Roberta Hanacher.

Mrs. D.E. Seelin had charge of the program and played two piano numbers:

"Al Fresco" by Rathbun and

"Pantomime Ballet" by Carl Kern

An Article "Indian Musicians in the Modern World" was read by Mrs Guy Bigsby.

A Reading "The Wife Hunting Deacon" was given by Mrs. Swallow. and for an encore she gave "General Jackson."

Mrs. Seetin then sang "Indian Love Call" by Rudolph Frimmel and "By the Waters of Minnetonka" by Lieurance. She also gave a brief sketch of the life of Thurlow Lieurance. Miss Josephine Seetin gave a Tap dance, Mrs Pierson read "How Smith asked the Old Man" and Josephine favored us with another tap dance

In serving refreshments, the hostess was assisted by Doris Swallow and Josephine Seetin.

Adjourned to meet in two weeks with Mrs. C H. Brunker.

July 2, 1930.

The Kanwaka Good Will Club met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs C. H. Brunker Twenty one members and three guests were present, the guests being Mrs Ivan Framsmier Mr Geo Kennett and Mrs Kennett, Jr.

At roll call, each responded by naming her favorite flower - the rose being the choice of the majority of those present.

Mrs I. Framsmeier had charge of the

Addedum to minutes 4th July. A motion prevailed that if a member of the Club is expecting the stork, a shower be given, if the member is away from here we will send a baby book.

Patriotic Program.

Mellophone Solo - "Star Spangled Banner" Marvin Brunker with his mother accompanying on the piano. and also "Old Black Joe."

"The American Flag" Mrs Guy Bigsby

"Patriotism" Mrs. M. J. Pierson

Solo "There are Many Flags" Mrs. S. E. Seeton.

"Our Loyal Women" Mrs. F. D. Fenton.

"Barbara Frietschie" Mrs. R. E. Schroyer

"The Flag on the Firing Line" Mrs. Seeton.

"A Prayer for Independence Day." Mrs. Traumeier.

Song by the Club - "Tenting tonight.

Song "If I Had Wings" Doris Swallow.

Piano Solo - Gail Brunker

1. "In Hanging Gardens"
2. "Chatterbox".

The Club songs were used at opening and close of the meeting.

Refreshments were served and were paid for from Club treasury.

The next meeting to be with Mrs S E Seeton with Mrs Houk assisting hostess.

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July 16, 1930

Hot weather and household cares were forgotten for the time, being when the Kanwaka Good Will Club met July 16 at the home of Mrs. S. E. Seeton with Mrs Houk assisting hostess. Twenty members and one guest, Elizabeth Skinner, thoroughly enjoyed the tacky party where the costumes were interesting and amusing, so much so that it was difficult to get down to the routine business of the Club: Roll call and Minutes of last meeting. At roll call, each one recited her first recitation as nearly as possible in the manner originally given. The question of a Club picnic was discussed and on motion it was decided to hold the picnic the last Sunday in July in Brunker's ~~pasture~~ grove, near the Winter school house for Club members and their families. Mrs. Pierson, Mrs Swallow and Mrs Carver were appointed as committee to make the plans for the picnic.

Mrs. Leonhart reported getting a basket

Addition - Bills allowed $1.55 for spoon for Esther Hor. 45 cents for fruit. 75 cents for Baby books.. and .90 cents for cakes and $3.20 for ice cream for previous meeting

of fruit for John Brookins. She said he wanted her to thank the Club for even thinking of him. Mrs. Stanwix reported having looked for baby books but had not made a purchase yet. Mrs. Harbour offered to make the purchase and send it to Wanda Roberts Hamacher

The picnic committee suggested that the picnic be held just in the afternoon and just ice cream, ice and cake be served. Motion carried made that those who do not bring cake contribute 25 cents toward the ice cream Amended to 50 cents., carried

Motion prevailed to have a stork shower at the next meeting for Mrs Wm. Richards.

The Program for the day was in charge of Mrs. Shipman Carter. A reading "Mary's Feast" was given by Gail Brunker. A story - "Mr Spoopendyke rides a bicycle" was read by Mrs Swallow - Song "Beans" by Mrs Carter and Mrs Brunker. The members were then divided into two groups - odds + evens - who vied with each other in a whistling contest, which was won by the "Evens"

"My Old Ford" was read by Mrs. Carter. Music by Josephine Seetin "I'm Following You" was followed by the Grand March in which all paraded in their tacky costumes. Prizes were awared for the best costumes. First to Mrs Swallow who impersonated an old man with whiskers. Second to Mrs Slawnix with her patched overalls. While to Mrs Seetin and Gail Brunker were given the next places. Refreshments were served at the close of the afternoon and the meeting adjourned. Next meeting to be with Mrs Carter with Mrs. Brunker assisting.

July 27, 1930.

The Kanwaka Good Will Club held a picnic Sunday afternoon, July 27. in Brunkers Grove. Ice Cream, pine apple ice and cakes galore were served to all present.

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July 30, 1930

At the home of Mrs Shipman Carter, the Kanwaka Good Will Club was very pleasantly entertained by Mrs Carter and Mrs Brunker. The Golden Rule song opened the meeting. At roll call each member responded with an account of her "Most Enjoyable Vacation" Twenty three members and ~~three~~ five guests were present and almost everyone present had had at some time in life, a vacation worth telling about. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The bill of $4.80 for ice cream for the Club picnic was presented & allowed, the Committee reporting that $2.75 had been paid toward it leaving a deficit of $2.05 which was drawn out of the treasury.

Mrs F. D. Fenton had charge of the program which included a reading "The Farmers Oracle" by Mrs Brunker. A song "Just as the Sun Went Down" by Doris Swallow accompanied by her mother on the Ukelele. They responded to an encore "Bring Back My Kitty"

A Poem "Song of a Busy Farmer" was read by Mrs. Bahnmaier.
Reading "How About Mother" by Doris Swallow
The guests were Miss Anna Mitchell, Mrs Paul Winter, Mrs. Arnold Ransdell Mrs. Newt. Hamlin and Miss Helen Harshberger
During the social hour, refreshments were served by the hostesses and the club adjourned to meet in 2 weeks with Mrs Fenton and Mrs. Bahnmaier. Mrs. Harbour to have charge of the program.

Nellie E Brigley Secty

Aug. 13, 1930

The Kanwaka Good Will Club met Wednesday afternoon Aug. 13, at the home of Mrs. E M. Bahnmaier with Mrs. J.D. Fenton assisting hostess. Twenty five members and two guests were present, this being the largest attendance of members yet recorded. The Golden Rule song opened the meeting, and at roll call "Earliest recollections were given, proving that the members of this club began their mental

activities at quite an early age. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. A communication was read from Mrs Walter Wulfkuhle, thanking the Club for the gift of a spoon. Mrs Pierson expressed Mrs. Johanning's appreciation of the flower sent her during her recent illness. A bill of $1.85 for flowers was presented and allowed. The question of loaning the Club trays for use outside of the Club was discussed and a motion that the trays be Kept for Club use only except where we were indebted to another orgainzatons for favors, carried A discussion of plans for the Founder's Day program led to the appointment of a Committee consisting of Mrs G. I. Richards Mrs Shipman Carter, Mrs C. E Stannard Mrs B. W Swallow and Mrs Schroyer, to make all plans for the observance of that important occasion Mrs. Harbour planned the programs for the day which included a story "The Child Who Would be Healthy" read by Mrs

Grover Rothwell. A Poem read by Mrs. Pierson. "Forget It" read by Mrs. Schroijer. Recitation "The Little Teacher" given by Doris Swallow and for an encore she sang "Where is my Wandering boy tonight."

A Reading "There'll be Room in Heaven" by Ida May Richards who also gave an encore "Is Marriage a Failure"

As a conclusion to the program a stork shower was given to Mrs Wm. Richards.

The guests were Mrs Fred Hace, Mrs Theo. Wiggins Refreshments were served by the hostesses, The next meeting will be with Mrs Button with Mrs Swallow Asst Hostess

Presentation Speech to Mrs. Wm Richards

"We've hoped for showers with plenty of rain
For showers are blessings when they come again.
Today we're a shower to help out the storks
For one of our members, to save her some work.
We hope she will like this and when Doc Stork has come
She'll find use for these gifts and enjoy everyone.

Nellie C. Bigsby, Secty.

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Aug. 29, 1930.

The Kanwaka Good Will Club met Aug 27 at the home of Mrs. Otis Button with Mrs Swallow assisting. The Golden Rule song opened the meeting and at roll call Kitchen Hints were given. Twenty five members and 22 children were present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. A motion that the Treasurer be empowered to pay the postage and 25 cents donation to the K.U. Extension department for the use of plays was carried.

Mrs Grover Rothwell had charge of the program and was assisted by others in presenting it., Mrs E. M. Bahnmaier reading an article "India and its People" Mrs Charles Topping reading a story entitled "From Illinois to Calfornia which was an account of the trip made by the Donner Party in 1846. Mrs Swallow read a short story "Making Both Ends Meet.

Ida May Richards gave a reading entitled "Aunty Doleful's Visit" and responded

with an encore "How to Eat Peas"
Mrs Fenton read an article about South American Women and the Customs of Columbia. Mrs Pierson read some advice to American fathers. Mrs Wm. Richards read about the "Wilds of New Borneo." Mrs Seeton sang "Last Night the Nightingale Woke me" and Reuben & Rachel. Mrs. Johanning read a clipping "In a Barrel of Tar." The Closing Ode concluded the meeting. Refreshments in autumn colors were served by the hostesses assisted by the girls who wore caps and aprons in autumn colors. Adjourned to meet on Tues. Sept 2. With Mrs Homer Bird with Mrs Stanwix assisting. Roll call to be about music.
Addition. It was suggested by Mrs Swallow that the Club spoons be passed with the trays from hostess to hostess.
Nellie C Bigsby Secy

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Sept 2. 1930

The Kanwaka Good Will Club met Tuesday afternoon, Sept. 2, at Mt. Joy, the home of Mrs. Homer Hird with Mrs. C. E. Hanwex assisting. Music and musicians was the subject for roll call. Twenty-two members were present. The minutes of the last meeting were read & approved. The annual election of officers was held and the entire staff was re-elected as follows: Pres. Mrs E. L. Harbour; Vice Pres. Mrs Herman Leonhart; Secretary, Mrs Guy Bigsby and Treasurer Mrs George Richards. Mrs. Wm Richards, Mrs Swallow and Mrs. Pierson acted as tellers. The same program committee which served last year was asked to serve again viz- Mrs C. H. Brunker, Mrs Olin Button and Mrs. Homer Hird. The Founder's Day Committee reported that the plans for the observance of that occasion on Sept. 20 were underway. At that time the Club will entertain the families and house guests - with a party at Kanwaka Hall at 8. P M. Mrs Hilt Winter was reported to be in St. Francis Hospital in Topeka

Additions - A written motion that each member entertain singly once a year provided but any may ask another to assist her in return for a like service of the Club.

The program for the day was planned by Mrs Hird who had chosen "Carrie Jacobs Bond.". An interesting sketch of her life in her California home was read by Mrs G. I. Richards in an article entitled: "A Genius of an Understanding Heart," "A Life Written into Song" read by Miss Marie Hall told more of her early life before she became famous as the composer of beautiful songs.

A Duet "The Golden Key" Mrs Seetin & Bigsby a Jacobs-Bond composition.

A Duet "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere sung by Mrs. Stanwix and Mrs. Hird.

Song "I Love You Truly" Mrs Seetin with violin obligato by Miss Josephine Seetin.

Solo "Sing Me the Rosary" Mrs C.H. Brunker.

Duet "Just a Wearyin' for You" playing her own accompaniments Mrs Hird and Mrs Wulfkuhle

In a musical contest prizes were awarded to Mrs Wm. Richards and Mrs. E. M. Bahnmaier Josephine Seetin, Dorothy Stanwix and Marie Hall. "A Perfect Day was sung by all in concluding the program. Miss Hall was the only guest.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses assisted by Mrs Wulfkuhle and Miss Hall. The place of the next meeting will be announced at the Founder's Day Program.

Nellie M. Bigsby, Secty.

Sept 20, 1930

The Kanwaka Good Will Club celebrated the second anniversary of its founding Saturday evening, Sept. 20. at the Kanwaka Hall and was attended by twenty three members and their families. An excellent program was given. Refreshments were served to more than 90 persons. sandwiches, cake ice cream & coffee

The meeting opened with singing the Golden Rule Song, Music on Violin by Jean Herrington with Gail Brunker accompanying. "Military March" and Encore

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Violin numbers by Miss Ruby Houk with Mrs. C.H. Brunker accompanying on the piano

"When the Southern Roses Grow"

Garland of Old Fashioned Roses.

Reading -- Helen Bigsby.

"Grandpa's Ice Cream Pants"

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Encore - "Paw took a Chance."
Music Violins: Ruby Houk & Jean Harrington
Trumpet. Marvin Brunker.
"When its Springtime in the Rockies"
"Carolina Moon."
a Play. "How the Story Grew" given by
Mrs Swallow, Mrs Carter, Mrs Buerman,
Mrs Schroyer, Mrs Brunker, Mrs Pierson,
Mrs Stanwix and Bigsby.
Mrs George Richards Stage Director
Music on Mandolin. Sam Stetin with
Mrs Stetin accompanying on the piano
Tap Dance - Betty Alphin
Song "I Want a Girl". Everett & Laurence
Brunker and Richard Carter.
Acrobat Number - Betty Alphin.
Reading: Ida May Richards
"Aunty Doleful's Visit
encore "The Marriage Fee,
Song. Janette Stanwix and Gail Brunker
"Sparking Peggy Jane"
Song "Put on Your Old Gray Bonnet"
Good Will Song Gail and Marvin Brunker

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Annual Report Sept 20, 1930

The Kanwaka Good Will Club is celebrating tonight the second anniversary of its founding. And still without any friction. The name "Good Will" is no mis-nomer for goodwill and friendship are the outstanding qualifications for membership in this club. A study of the roll ~~call~~ during the year reveals some interesting information. Twenty-three meetings have been held with an average attendance of 18.8. We now have 35 names on the roll, and tho' our membership is limited to 30 adult members, our membership list includes a number of young daughters of the members so we have not gone beyond our limit.

The largest attendance of members was 25 reached at 2 meetings in succession. Aug 13 and 27 at Mrs. Bahnmaier's and Mrs Bulton's. Tho' the most nearly perfect attendance was at the meeting Nov. 6. at Mrs Guy Bigsby's when 24 of the 29 members then on the roll were present.

No one has a record of perfect attendance this year.—(we had 2 last year who had a perfect record)— as the six who were present Oct. 9 at Mrs. Brunker's were all absent at the next smallest attendance Dec. 18 at Mrs. Fenton's when 10 were present. Two members were present 22 times, viz: Mrs. Carter and Mrs. Seelin.

Our President, Mrs Harbour, presided over all meetings except two.

One member has moved away during the year, but we hope to have her with us again soon.

Six new names have been added to the roll during the past year.

We have held 2 more meetings during the second year than we did the first as our winter recess lasted this year only during January. All but three on our roll attended more meetings during the second year than they did the first year which shows more interest and greater loyalty.

Mrs Seetin has the best record for the two years having missed only one meeting. Mrs Harbour is second, having missed only 2 in the two years.

Besides the regular bi-monthly meetings we had a party last fall at the Hall and a picnic in the summer at Brunker's Grove. For the families, and I know all who attended these social occasions enjoyed the getting together.

Flowers have been sent, not only to members who were sick, but several times to members of the family ~~and~~ 4 times when a death occurred in the family of a member, flowers were sent as an expression of our sympathy.

Four times during the past year the Club has served the lunch at sales and at each our profits were fair so that our treasury has at no time been depleted. We had a good balance at the beginning of our second year so that we were able to decrease the annual

dues from 50 cents to 25 cents an instance without precedent in this community or any other, I believe.

We have accumulated, by purchase, considerable property during the year. 3 serving trays, 8 doz. tin cups and 8 doz. spoons and a dipper. A coffee can was donated by Mrs. Carver, so we are now pretty well equipped for service. Three silver spoons have been presented to our brides in the club. Our largest ~~donation~~ gift for the year was the ($25) donation to the Kanwaka Church.

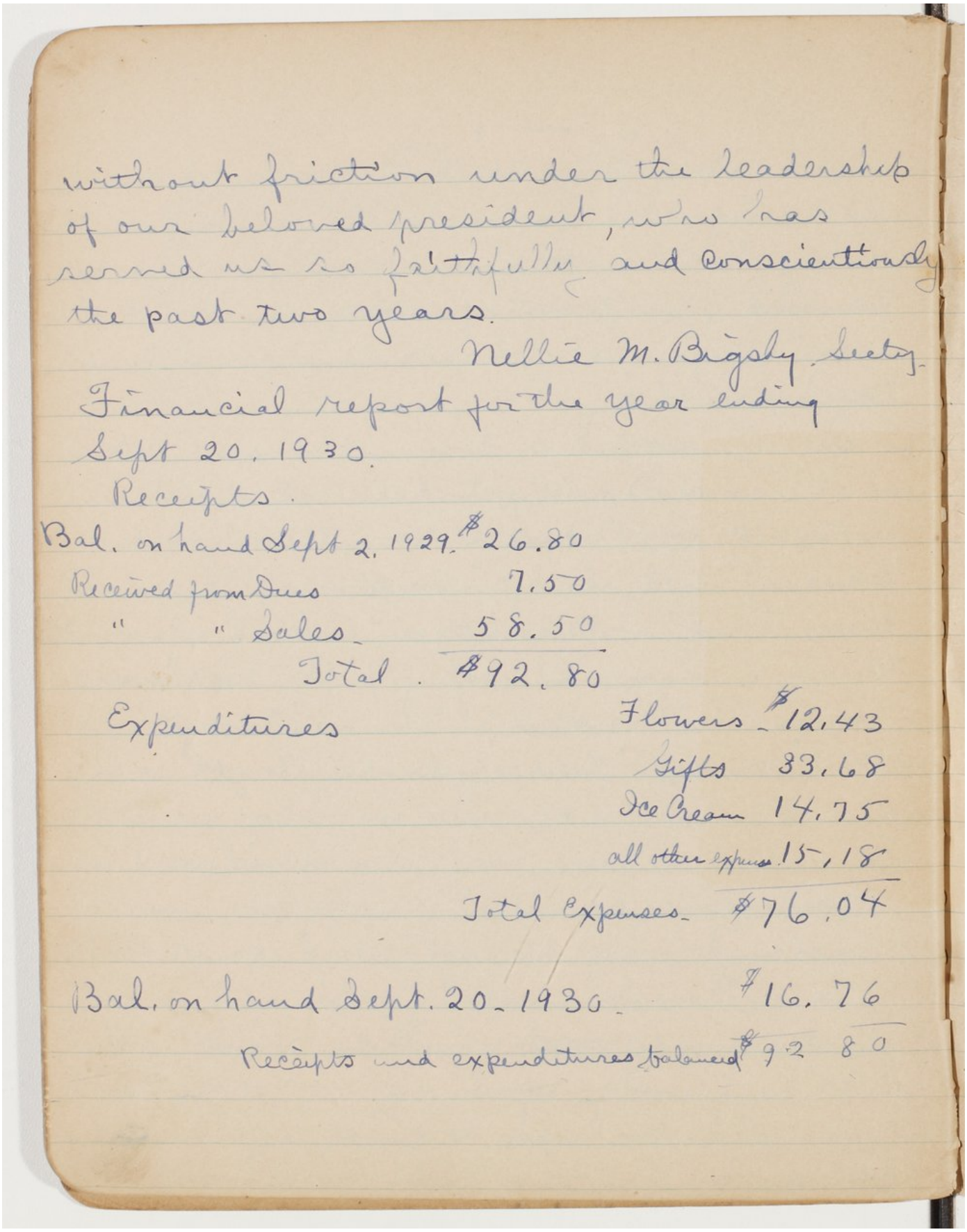
Thirty different guests, besides the little children who are always welcomed but of whom we have no record, have been entertained at our regular meetings. Several of these have been guests more than once and a few have become members.

We have had two ~~stork~~ showers during the year, one for a neighbor in distress after a fire and one a stork shower. The plan of having the hostess who furnishes

the house for one meeting, furnish the refreshments when someone else furnishes the house for another meeting has been tried out this year and has proved quite satisfactory to some although some preferred to entertain alone & have it over with.

Our programs during the year were on Miscellaneous Topics, all of them interesting. "Health" "Home" Hallowe'en "Edison", "Gettysburg" "Christmas", "Farm and Home Week at Manhattan", "Trees and Shrubs" "Early Kansas History" "Birds" "American Composers", "Mother", "Memorial Day" "Patriotism," "Carrie Jacobs Bond" and several miscellaneous programs were the topics chosen by the members for their programs. Music at every meeting was an added enjoyment.

At the last meeting the annual election of officers was held resulting in the re-election of the entire staff, so that we shall hope to continue our pleasant and profitable meetings



without friction under the leadership of our beloved president, who has served us so faithfully and conscientiously the past two years.

Nellie M. Bigsby Secty.

Financial report for the year ending Sept 20. 1930.

Receipts.

Bal. on hand Sept 2. 1929.	$26.80
Received from Dues	7.50
" " Sales	58.50
Total.	$92.80

Expenditures

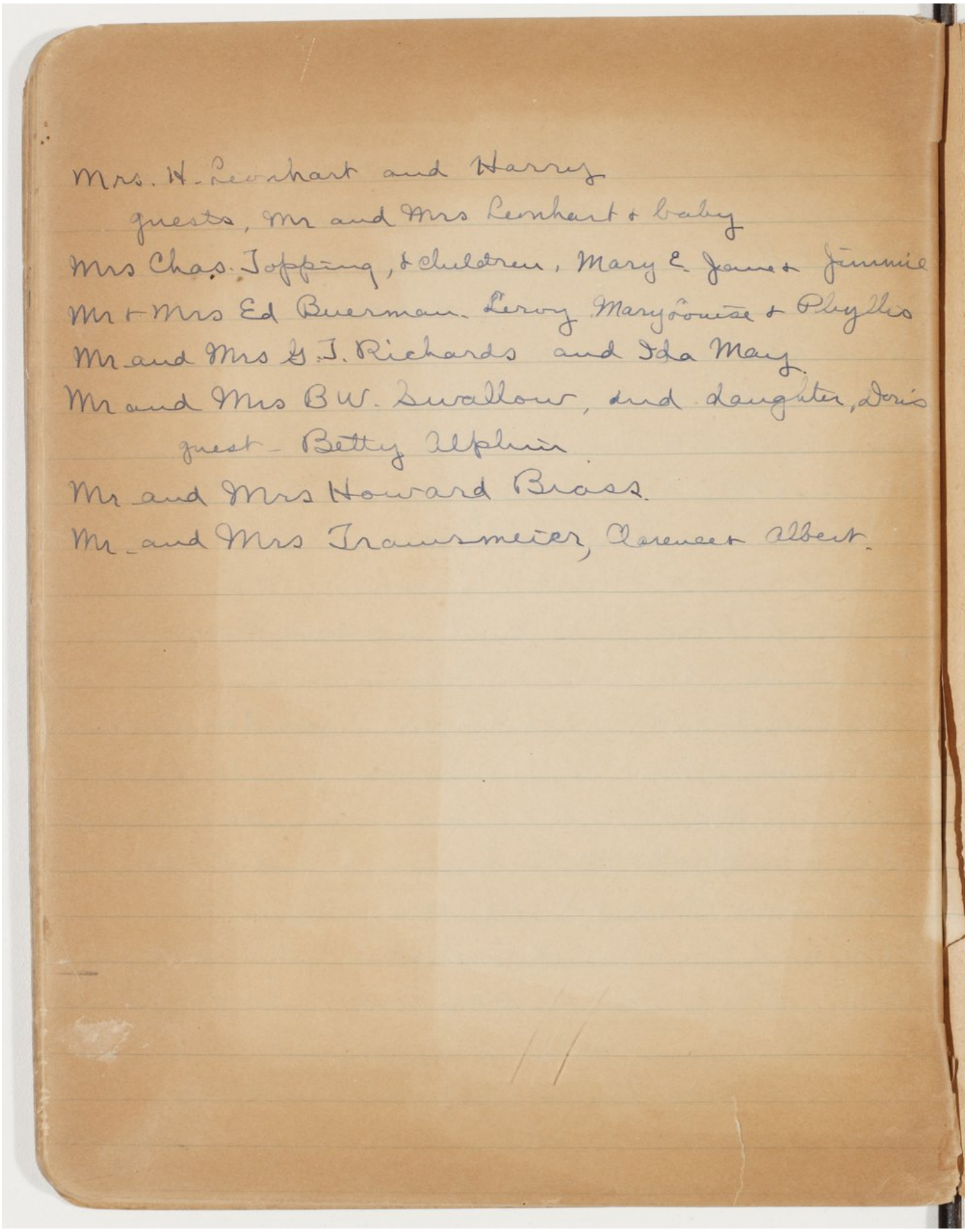
Flowers	$12.43
Gifts	33.68
Ice Cream	14.75
all other expenses	15.18
Total Expenses.	$76.04
Bal. on hand Sept. 20. 1930.	$16.76
Receipts and expenditures balanced	$92 80

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List of those who attended Founder's Day Celebration Sept. 20, 1930

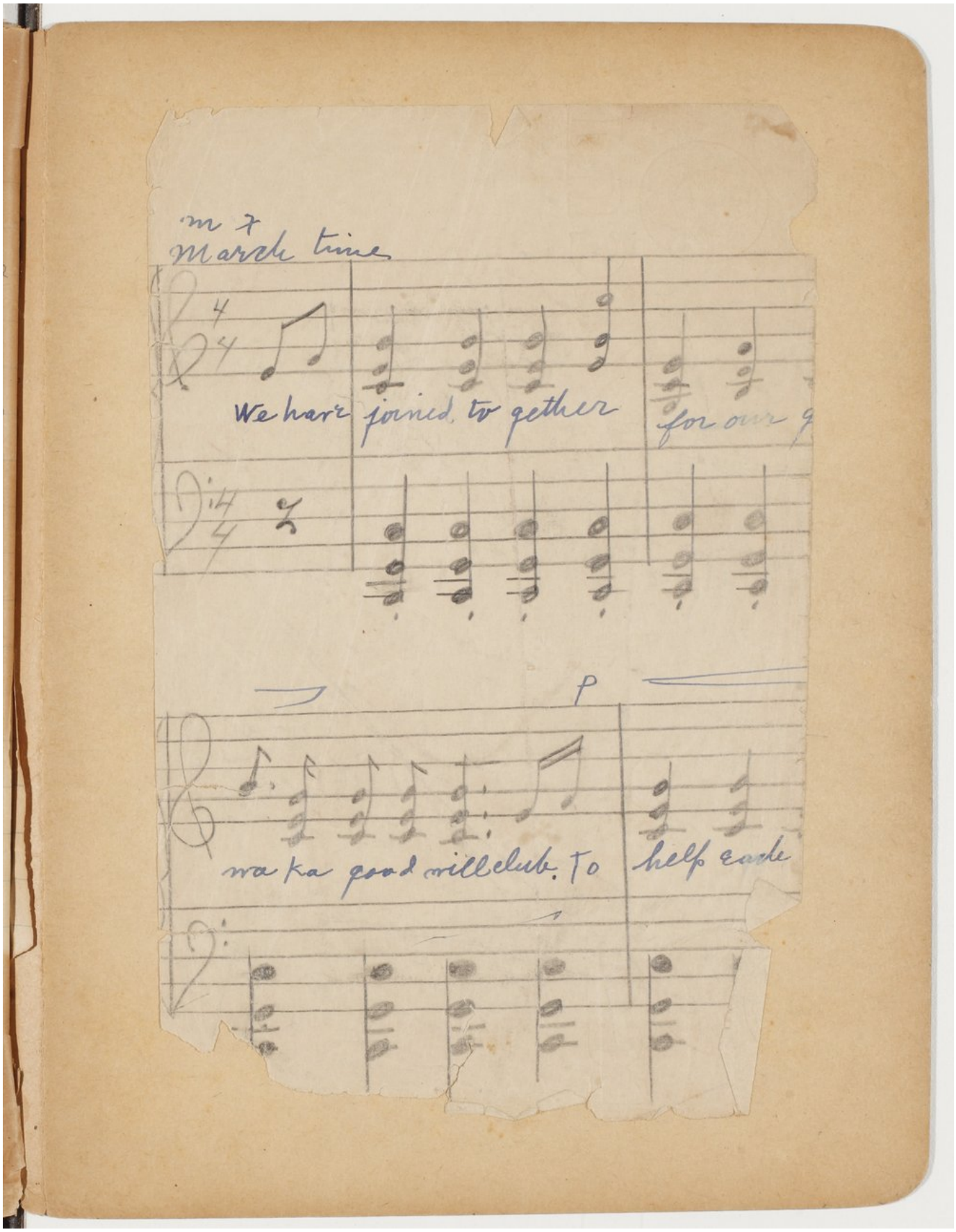
Mrs. E G. L. Harbour, Mrs J.H. Keating, Covina Cal.
Ernestine Brocklesby and Margarita Bunyan
Mrs. Scanlon, Lawrence
Mr and Mrs Shipman Carter and son, Richard
Mr. and Mrs C. H Brunker, Gail, Lawrence, Everett & Marion
Mr and Mrs Ambrose Bigsby and daughter, Helen
Mr and Mrs Guy Bigsby.
Mr and Mrs. Mark Pierson,
Mr and Mrs S. E. Seetin & sons Ray & Sam
Mr. Sam Bucheim, Sr.
Mr and Mrs R E Schroyer & grandson Douglas
Daughter, Mrs. Ada Harrington - Jean, Herbert & baby
Mr and Mrs C. E. Stanwix, Janette & Eleanor Jean
Mr and Mrs E. M. Bahnmaier and Roger
Mr. and Mrs J. D. Fenton.
Mr and Mrs Frank Houk & Ruby, Marvin Pearl & Alfred
Mr and Mrs Olin Button, and children, Doris,
Jean, Mildred, Irene and Dale
Mr and Mrs Grover Rothwell and Lois.
Mr and Mrs O. L. Johanning & children, Elmer
Harold, Mildred and Gleim

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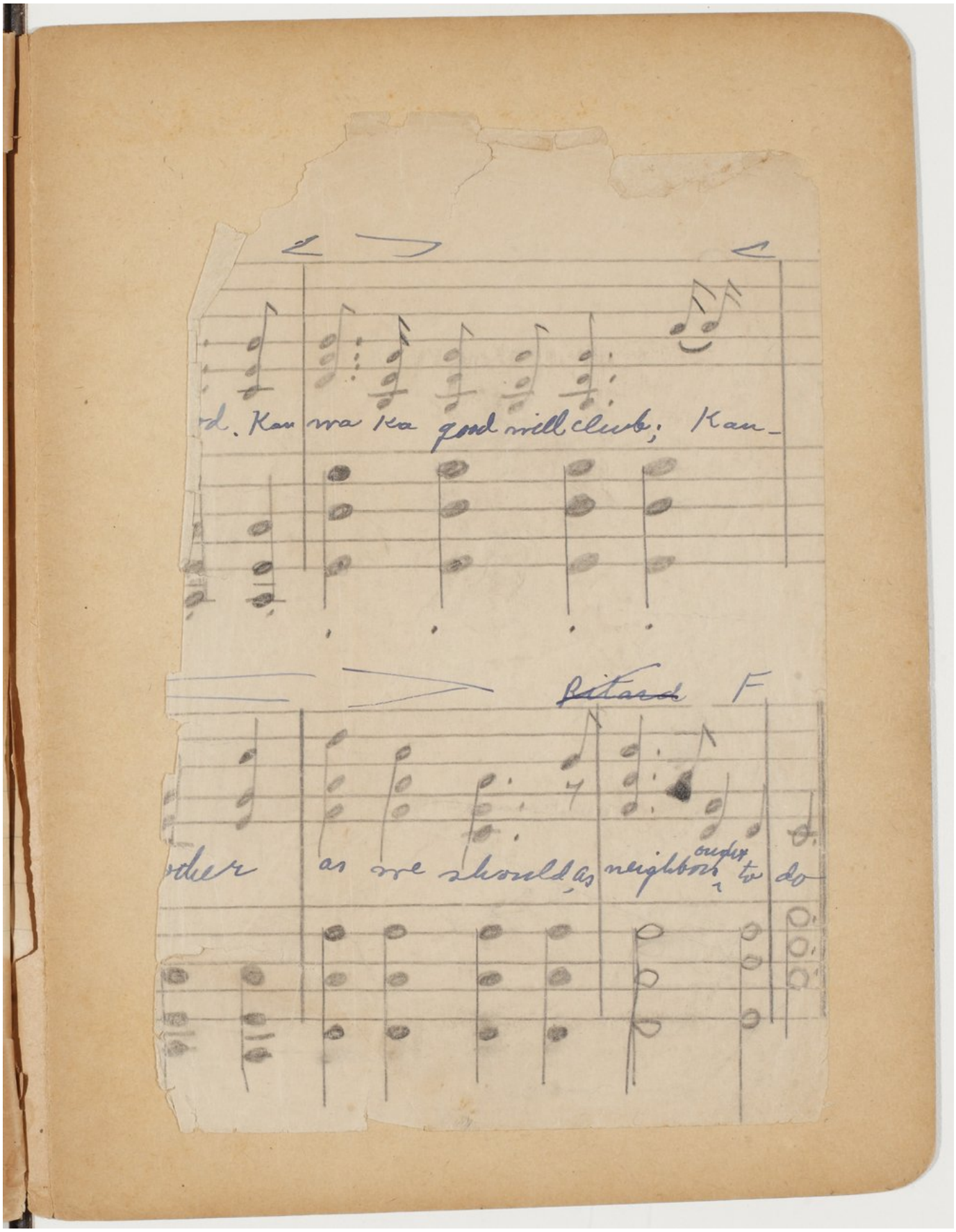


Mrs. H. Leonhart and Harry
guests, Mr and Mrs Leonhart + baby
Mrs Chas. Joffring, + children, Mary E. James + Jimmie
Mr + Mrs Ed Buermann Leroy, Mary Louise + Phyllis
Mr and Mrs G. J. Richards and Ida May.
Mr and Mrs B W. Swallow, and daughter, Doris
guest - Betty Alphin
Mr and Mrs Howard Brass.
Mr and Mrs Traumeier, Clarence + Albert.

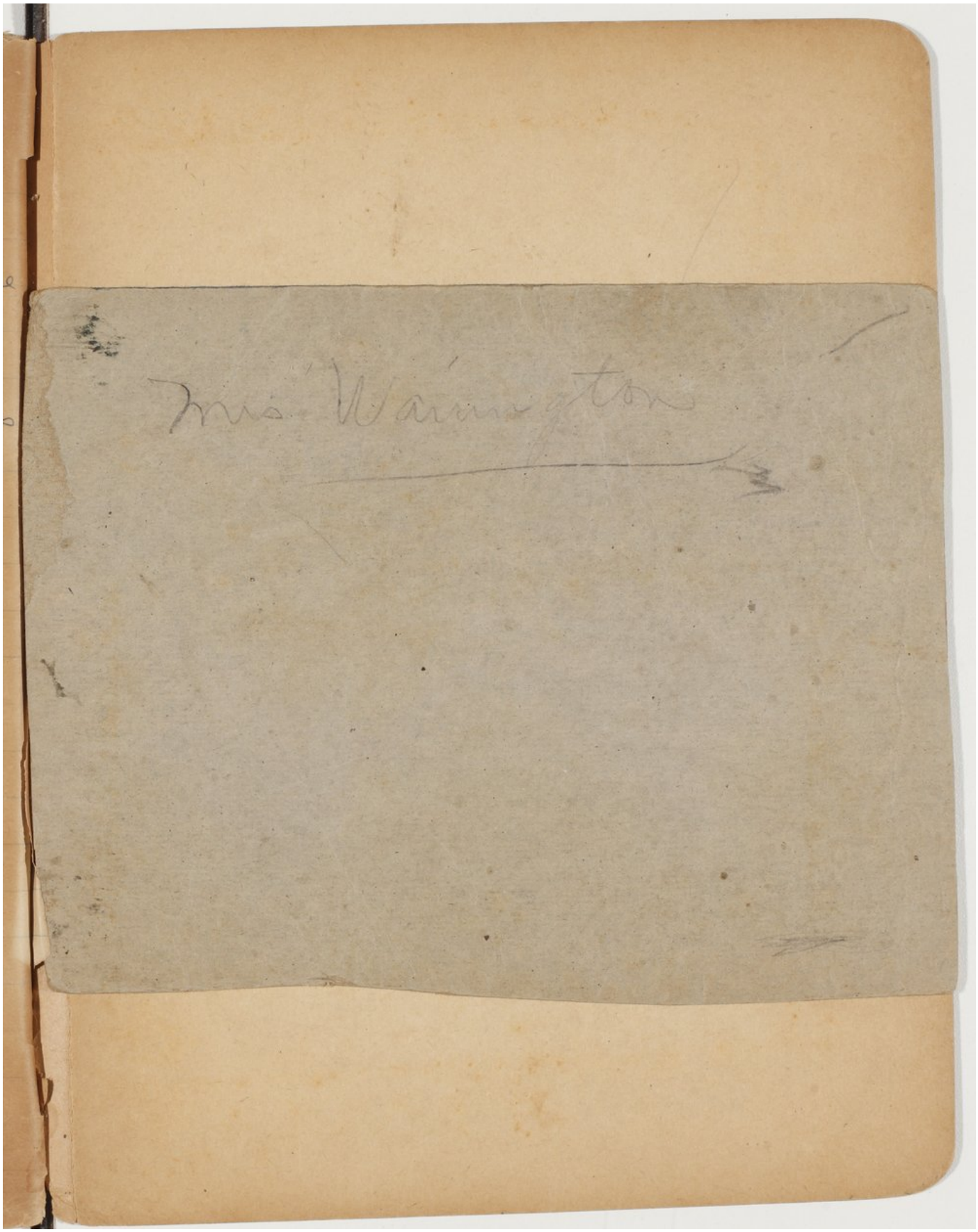
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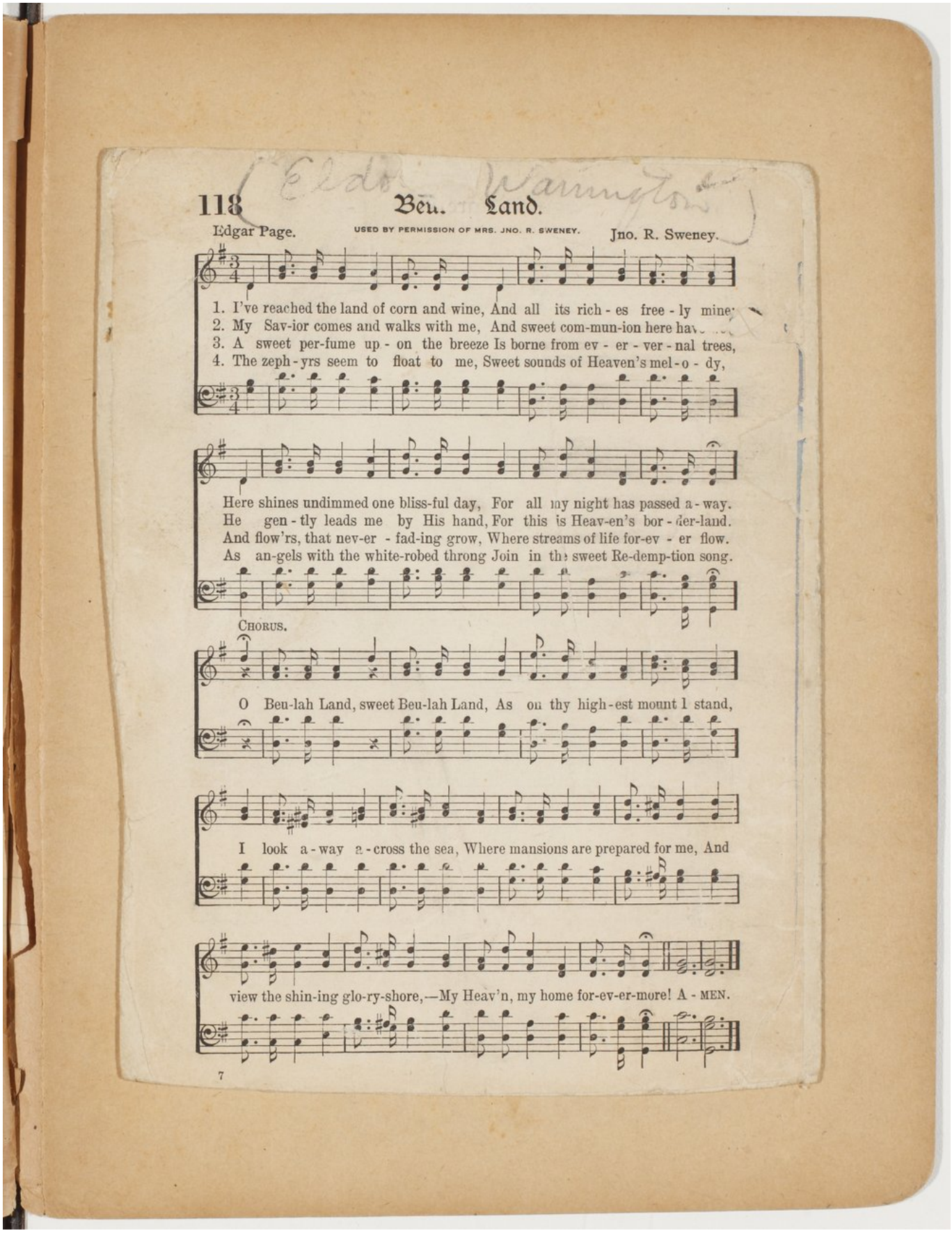


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1. I've reached the land of corn and wine, And all its rich - es free - ly mine;
2. My Sav-ior comes and walks with me, And sweet com-mun-ion here hav...
3. A sweet per-fume up - on the breeze Is borne from ev - er - ver - nal trees,
4. The zeph - yrs seem to float to me, Sweet sounds of Heaven's mel - o - dy,

Here shines undimmed one bliss-ful day, For all my night has passed a - way.
He gen - tly leads me by His hand, For this is Heav-en's bor - der-land.
And flow'rs, that nev-er - fad-ing grow, Where streams of life for-ev - er flow.
As an-gels with the white-robed throng Join in the sweet Re-demp-tion song.

CHORUS.

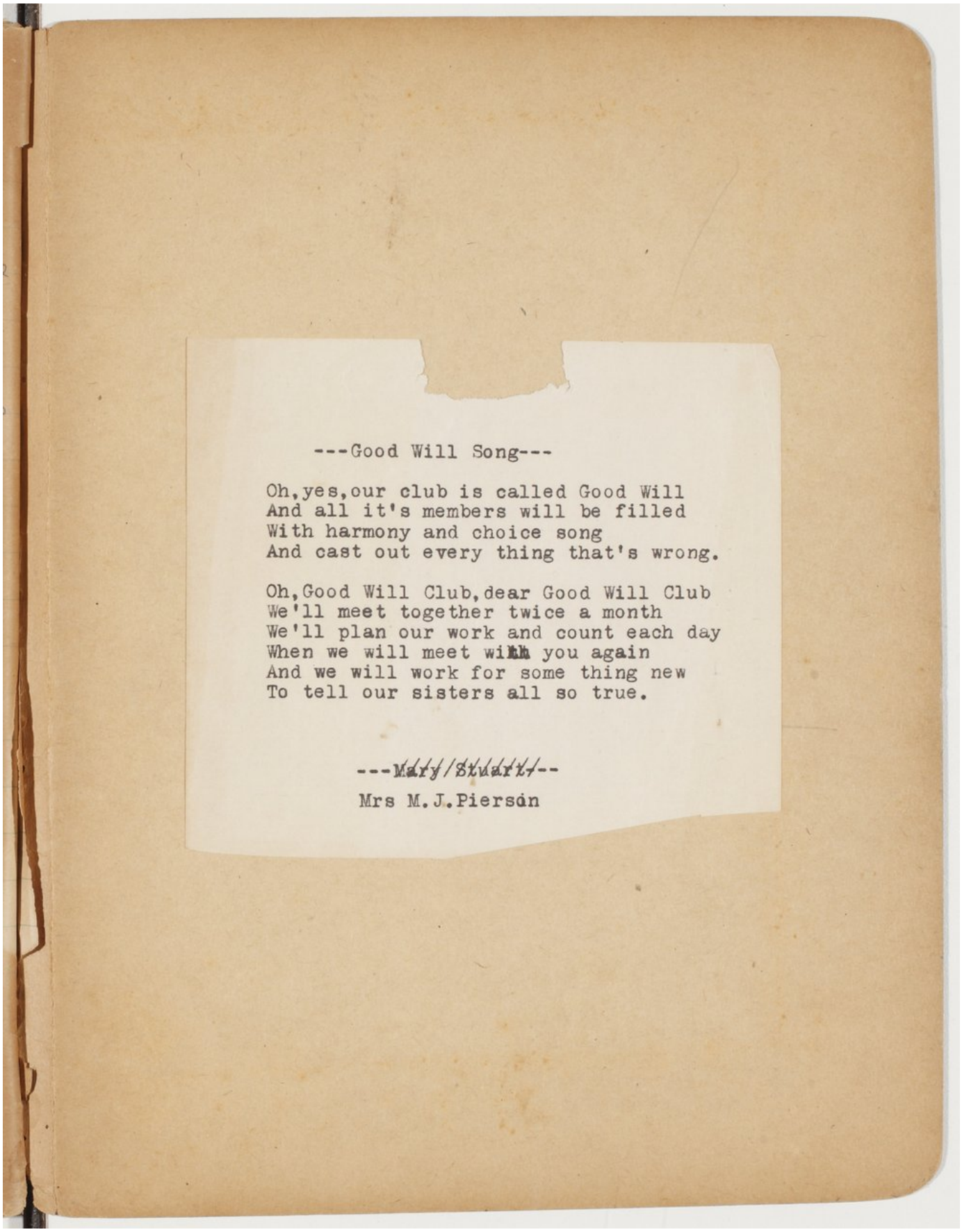
O Beu-lah Land, sweet Beu-lah Land, As on thy high-est mount I stand,

I look a - way a - cross the sea, Where mansions are prepared for me, And

view the shin-ing glo-ry-shore,—My Heav'n, my home for-ev-er-more! A - MEN.

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---Good Will Song---

Oh, yes, our club is called Good Will
And all it's members will be filled
With harmony and choice song
And cast out every thing that's wrong.

Oh, Good Will Club, dear Good Will Club
We'll meet together twice a month
We'll plan our work and count each day
When we will meet with you again
And we will work for some thing new
To tell our sisters all so true.

---Mary Stuart--
Mrs M. J. Pierson