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NOTICE TO MEMBERS
THE BENTON CLUB.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., NOV. 14, 1902

DEAR SIR: THIS IS TO REMIND YOU OF THE SATURDAY EVENING DINNER DANCE. IF ENOUGH INTEREST CAN BE HAD, IT IS THE INTENTION TO HOLD THESE ENTERTAINMENTS EVERY SATURDAY EVENING UNTIL JANUARY FIRST. IT IS EXPECTED THAT EVERY MEMBER OF THE CLUB WILL ASSIST IN MAKING A SUCCESS OF THE UNDERTAKING. PLEASE GIVE THE STEWARD YOUR DINNER ORDER AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE—NOT LATER THAN ONE O'CLOCK SATURDAY.

THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO SOLICIT SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR THE ADDITION TO THE CLUB TO BE USED AS A LADIES' RECEPTION ROOM ARE MEETING WITH SUCCESS, AND WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF THOSE WHO HAVE NOT SUBSCRIBED, THIS MUCH NEEDED IMPROVEMENT WILL BE MADE.

DON'T FAIL TO BE ON HAND NEXT SATURDAY EVENING.

C. R. BERRY, SECRETARY.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., NOV. 21, 1902.

TO MEMBERS

BENTON CLUB:

THE DIRECTORS ARE ANXIOUS TO HAVE THE NEW MEMBERS ATTEND THE SATURDAY EVENING DINNER DANCE. IT IS HOPED THAT THE OLD MEMBERS WILL ASSIST IN THIS.

THE EFFORT TO INCREASE THE MEMBERSHIP HAS BEEN QUITE SUCCESSFUL.

IT IS, HOWEVER, ESSENTIAL THAT THE NEW MEMBERS BE URGED TO FREQUENT THE CLUB.

THOSE DESIRING DINNER BEFORE, OR LUNCH AFTER THE DANCE, WILL CONFER A FAVOR AND FACILITATE THE SERVICE BY GIVING THE STEWARD ADVANCE NOTICE.

THE PRESENT TOTAL RESIDENT MEMBERSHIP IS ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY FIVE; THE LARGEST IN THE HISTORY OF THE CLUB.

C. R. BERRY, SECRETARY.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS
BENTON CLUB.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 16, 1902.

As the contractors are tearing away a portion of the building, it is absolutely necessary to dispense with the Dinner Dance, Saturday, December 20th.

At the Directors' meeting, held December 15th, the Secretary was instructed to call special attention to the following rules:

RULE VIII

For the purpose of calling the attention of members to such indebtedness remaining unpaid, a notice will be mailed on the first of each month. If payment be not made within ten days from date of such notice, the name of such delinquent member will be posted.

RULE XVIII. COMPLAINTS.

Members are requested to make all suggestions or complaints in writing, in the Complaint Book provided for that purpose in the office. Verbal complaints addressed personally to members of the committee will not receive attention.

Attendance at the noon day lunch is increasing daily.

Arrangements for barber service at the Club Sunday mornings are proving an attractive feature. Please keep this in mind.

If you have any out-of-town visitors during the holidays, ask for a card and have them make their headquarters at the Club.

It is the intention of the directors to have several special attractive features during the holiday season.

C. R. BERRY, SECRETARY.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., DEC. 23, 1902.

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

THERE WILL BE A DINNER DANCE AT THE BENTON CLUB, SATURDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 27, 1902. PLEASE GIVE THE STEWARD AS MUCH ADVANCE NOTICE AS POSSIBLE.

ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE FOR A FANCY DRESS PARTY TO BE GIVEN AT THE BENTON CLUB THE EVENING OF DECEMBER 31, 1902. EVERY MEMBER OF THE CLUB IS SPECIALLY URGED TO TAKE INTEREST AND MAKE THIS ENTERTAINMENT A SUCCESS. TABLE D'HOTE LUNCH WILL BE SERVED AT MIDNIGHT AND A CHARGE OF SEVENTY-FIVE CENTS PER COVER WILL BE MADE. IN ORDER TO MAKE THIS ENTERTAINMENT A SUCCESS IT IS NECESSARY FOR EVERY ONE TO ENTER INTO THE SPIRIT OF IT AND COME IN FANCY DRESS.

PLEASE SEND YOUR ACCEPTANCE TO THE STEWARD AT AN EARLY DATE AS POSSIBLE SO THAT PROPER ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE.

REMEMBER THE DATE DECEMBER 31.

C. R. BERRY, SECRETARY

NOTICE TO MEMBERS BENTON CLUB.

Several members having expressed a desire to have a Table D'Hote Dinner in addition to a Table D'Hote Lunch, to be served the evening of December thirty-first, it has been decided to have a Table D'Hote Dinner, which will be served from seven to nine p. m. Charge one dollar a plate, to be followed by lunch ten-thirty p. m., until one a. m., charge, seventy-five cents a plate.

No orders for Dinner or Lunch will be accepted after one-thirty p. m., December thirty-first, as it is necessary for the Steward to have notice in advance in order to make his arrangements. Please bear this in mind, and file your orders early.

The Fancy Dress Party is meeting with decided favor; over sixty members have agreed to take part. This will undoubtedly be the most attractive entertainment the Club has had this season. It is hoped all the members will come in fancy or comical dress, and assist in making the ball a success.

C. R. BERRY, SECRETARY.

St. Joseph, Mo., Dec. 29, 1902.

Come Early and Enjoy the Specialties.

NOTICE.

MEMBERS BENTON CLUB:

Several members during the past month have violated the rule which prohibits residents of St. Joseph not members of the Club to be entertained at the Club. The President directs that all members be notified that this rule must be observed to the letter. Kindly be governed accordingly.

The usual **DINNER DANCE** will be given Saturday Evening, January 10th. Those desiring, can, by giving Steward notice before nine p. m., have a fifty cent lunch served. In order to take advantage of this, it is absolutely necessary to give notice in advance, so that arrangements can be made.

BUSINESS MEN'S NOON DAY LUNCH is increasing in popularity, and this feature of the Club will continue as a permanent arrangement.

C. R. BERRY, Secretary.

St. Joseph, Mo., Jan. 9, 1903.

THE CLUB WILL POSITIVELY CLOSE AT ONE O'CLOCK, A. M.

Notice to Members.

THE Regular Saturday Night Dinner Dance at the Benton Club, Saturday, Jan. 17. Dinner 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. Followed by Lunch 10:30 p. m. to 1:00 a. m. Jan. 18. Orders for Dinner must be placed with the Steward not later than 3:00 p. m. Saturday. These occasions are proving to be of the highest order and will be a permanent feature. Remember to place your orders promptly.

The New Ladies' Reception Rooms are well under construction; the work is progressing very satisfactorily.

The Sunday Morning Barber feature deserves to be encouraged by the members.

C. R. BERRY, SECRETARY.

St. Joseph, Jan. 16, 1903.

St. Joseph, Mo., March 4, 1903.

MEMBERS, BENTON CLUB:—

During the month of March, DINNER DANCES will be given as follows: Saturday Evening, March 7th, and Saturday Evening, March 21st. After April 1st, they will be resumed and be held every Saturday evening.

The NOON DAY LUNCHES are showing an encouraging increase of patronage. With the co-operation of the members this functure can be greatly improved upon. Assistance in this direction is most earnestly solicited.

C. R. BERRY,
SECRETARY.

St. Joseph, Mo., April 29, 1903.

Notice to Members Benton Club.

There will be a DINNER DANCE Saturday evening, May 2, 1903. Those desiring dinner will please give the usual advance notices.

The ANNUAL ELECTION will be held Wednesday, May 6, 1903, 8 o'clock. It is the earnest desire of the present Directory that every member of the Club attend the election and become familiar with the Club's condition. During the past year many improvements have been made and the Club is in excellent financial condition.

Refreshments will be served.

Don't forget the date—Wednesday, May 6, 1903, 8 o'clock.

C. R. BERRY, Secretary.



NOTICE TO MEMBERS

BENTON CLUB.

On account of the popularity of the new Roof Garden, it has been decided to serve a Table D'Hote Vegetable Dinner, six to eight p. m. Monday, Thursday and Saturday evening of each week, commencing Saturday evening, July 25th, for a charge of seventy-five cents per plate.

This is more of the nature of an experiment, and the Directors urge each member to take an interest in giving this Table D'Hote Dinner as much publicity as possible and enlarge the patronage.

It is absolutely necessary to give the Steward notice not later than noon of the day dinner is desired in order to facilitate marketing and service.

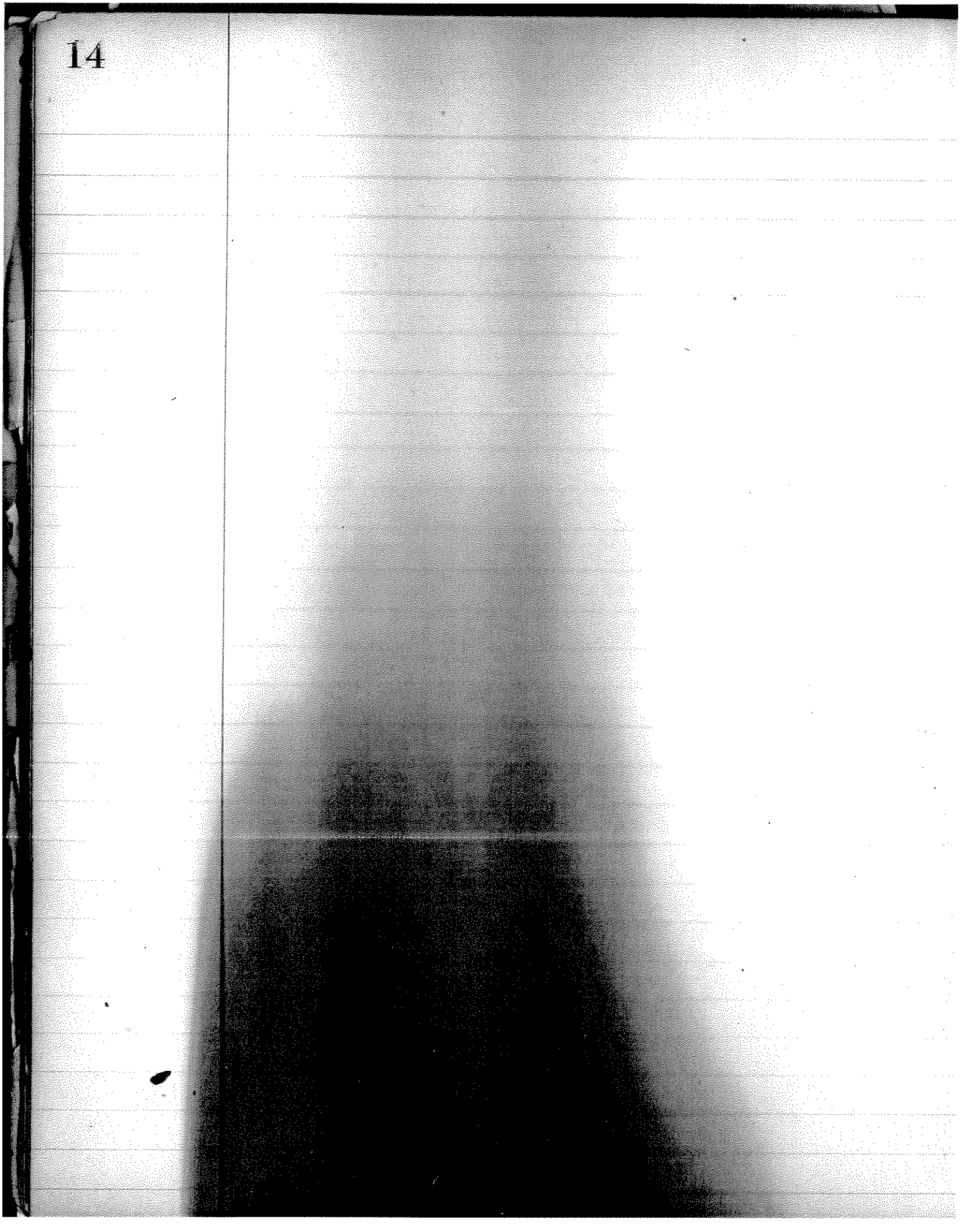
Yours respectfully,

L. C. HAMILTON,

Secretary.

St. Joseph, Mo., July 21, 1903.

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June 14th 1887.

Benton Club.

A meeting of the first Board of Directors of the Benton Club assembled in room 37 Chamber of Commerce Building Tuesday June 14th 1887 at four o'clock P. M.

This meeting was held in pursuance of the following notice:

St Joseph Mo June 14/87

There will be a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club in room 37 Chamber of Commerce building Tuesday June 14th 1887 at Four o'clock P.M. "signed" Wirslow Judson X R Harting, J. H. Parker, W. F. Neniel WAMcDonald, H E Noxon, D McCool, W & R Matter

Due notice having been served upon the other directors who did not sign the call, or notice above set forth.

The meeting was called to order upon the appearance of a quorum and R. R. W. Harting elected Chairman and W. A. P. McDonald Secretary.

The Chairman stated the object of the meeting to be for the election of such officers as might be necessary for the

June 11/87 proper management of the Club.
On motion duly carried it was resolved that the Board at once proceed to the election of the following named officers; A President; a Vice President and a Secretary and Treasurer to serve for the ensuing year. The board then proceeded to ballot upon the names of candidates eligible for the offices above named with the following result:
Winslow Judson was elected President.
Dr P. H. Doyle was elected Vice President
W. W. Allen was unanimously elected Sec and Treas.

The following resolutions were then presented, moved seconded and adopted;
Resolved, that until the adoption of a set of by laws for use of the company, meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at the call of the President, or in his absence of the Vice President, or at the call of any three of the directors, the calls to be made by one day's notice in writing of such meeting to each of the directors.
It was further moved seconded and adopted as follows;
Resolved, that until the adoption of a

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set of by by laws all persons to be admitted as members of the Boston Club shall first be voted upon and approved by the Board of Directors. The ballot shall be taken secretly and two votes shall be construed to reject any man.

It was further moved, seconded and adopted as follows; Resolved, that the President of this Company be and the same is hereby authorized to select and employ a competent Steward to take charge of the affairs of the Boston Club, and that he be also authorized to purchase such supplies as may be deemed expedient and necessary during his visit in the East.

On motion duly seconded and adopted the Secretary was instructed to prepare a circular of invitation, in the form hereinafter set forth and to be mailed to the persons named below, who had been duly canvassed and approved by the Board.

Circular

Your name has been suggested as a member of the Boston Club and has been approved by the Board of Directors. If you desire to become a member of this Club the Secretary will furnish you with

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ive the information necessary as to the conditions of membership and will receive your subscription to the Articles of Association. The admission fee is $100. Annual due $50. payable semi-annually in advance. You are politely requested to indicate your wishes upon this subject within twenty days from the date of this letter.

The notice to be mailed to the following gentlemen.

J. M. Austin
W. C. Bohart
S. A. Brown
L. C. Burnes
N. P. Bussey
C. M. Curtis
T. J. Chew jr
James Craig jr
C. H. Darby
E. A. Duncan
John Donovan jr
E. J. Eddie
J. N. Farish
Paul Trucks
Louis Fuelling
E. S. Gatch
N. L. Gueye

A. V. Barnes
J. H. Boyd
Geo Bucel
C. F. Burnes
J. P. Carbrey
R. H. Chambers
J. B. Collins
E. B. Daniels
A. C. Dawes
John Doniphan
Robert Douglas
Nimmo Edwards
W. H. Floyd
D. D. Frazer
E. S. Garner
Jacob Geiger
A. A. Gower

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	J. H. Gregg	F. A. Naumann
	W. P. Harris	E. F. Harting
	E. C. Harting	Louis Max Jr
	J. W. Heddens	W. J. Heddens
	R. M. Heerdink	W. J. Hilton
	J. W. Hoagston	M. G. Hohl
	D. A. Hope	W. M. James
	W. P. Jones	F. H. Judson
	J. J. Judson	C. J. Kemper
	G. A. Kennard	Henry Krug Jr
	L. D. Lancaster	J. B. Laughlin
	G. W. Lorimer	G. B. Lucy
	Ernest Lindsay	D. E. Lynds
	T. E. Lynds	Geo R. Mann
	E. L. Marney	Elliot Marshall
	Frank Milligan	Louis Matter
	Jno L Matter	J. B. Moss
	J. W. McAllister	J. H. McCord
	S. S. McCord	A. K. McDonald
	C. C. McDonald	Jno J McDonald
	Silas McDonald Jr	W. F. McDonald
	A. E. McKinney	Jno G. McNair
	M. S. Norman	C. W. Noyes
	G. G. Parry	Jno S. Pater
	Franklin Porter	F. M. Pomgate
	W. M. Ramey	C. N. Regnier
	Geo O. Richardson	Jno L Richardson Jr

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A. J. Riley
H. A. Russell
C. A. Shook
John Shireman
A. T. Smith
E. C. Smith
F. L. Sommer
D. D. Streeter
E. J. Swords
Ed Townsend
B. L. Vineyard
John Wells
N. K. White
Silas Woodson
J. C. Woodson
N. R. Wyeth
Walter Young.

J. S. Roberts
C. B. Sounders
C. H. Shultz
Dudley Smith
C. F. Smith
S. J. Smith
O. M. Spencer
Jno P. Strong
John Trice
John Townsend
C. N. Wallace
Jno H. Wash
C. M. Whitney
B. J. Woodson
J. C. Wyatt
C. H. Wyndham.

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There being no further business presented the Board adjourned subject to the call of the President

W. A. McCausland
Secty.

June 18th/87

Board of Directors

A called meeting of the board of directors was held in room 37 Chamber of Comm building at four o'clock P.M. June 18/87, Present J B Brady, W E Hosea J S Brittain H R W Harting, Winslow Judson, W. D. B. Motter and W. A. P. McDonald

The minutes of previous meeting of June 14th were read and approved.

The President announced the appointment of the following committees:

Executive Committee

Winslow Judson Chairman.	J. S Brittain
J W Waller	Jno S Lemon
H. R. W. Harting,	W. A. P. McDonald
Dr T. H. Doyle.	

House Committee

Dr T. H. Doyle Chairman	D. M. Cool
N. F. Merrill	W. D. B. Motter
T. P. Vanhatta	J B. Brady
W E Hosea	

A constitution and code of by laws was presented by W. D. B. Motter and after some discussion same was adopted section by section and a copy said constitution and by laws is fully recorded and set forth in the print

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Board of Directors

portion of this record book.
The House Committee also presented
a set of rules for the government of
the Club which were adopted rule
by rule and a copy of same is
recorded in first portion of this record
book

On motion board adjourned

W. A. Bullock
Secty

Sept 28/87

Board of Directors

A called meeting of the board of directors of the Baxter Club was held at the office of Judson & Mather in Chambers Commerce building at four o clock P.M. Wednesday Sept 28th 1887

Present Winslow Judson, J. B. Brady, W.E. Hoxsie, D. McCool, J. W. Walker W.D.B. Mather and W.A. McDonald

The minutes of previous meeting of June 18th were read and approved

On motion duly seconded and carried the Treasurer was ordered and instructed to call upon all members of the Club for the first instalment of Annual Dues.

On motion duly carried the following named Committee was appointed to visit members of the Club and collect unpaid admission fees: W.E. Hoxsie J.B. Brady and T. K. Van Natta.

On motion board adjourned

W.A. McDonald
Secretary

Nov 7th 1887

Board of Directors

A called meeting of the Board of Directors was held at four o'clock P.M. at the Benton Club House on Monday Nov 7th 1887

There were present Winslow Judson W.D. Bellotti, J.D. Brady J.H. Walker John A Brittain D.F. Vanatta and W.H. McDonald

The minutes of the previous meeting of Sept 28th 1887 were read and approved.

On motion duly seconded and carried it was resolved that the Club House be thrown open to the members of the Benton Club and the Stockholders of the Benton Club House Company and their respective friends during Thursday only, November 10th 1887 from nine o'clock in the morning until twelve o'clock night, and that all rules in conflict with this resolution be hereby suspended for that day only.

The following bills were then read approved and ordered paid out of any funds coming into the hands of the Treasurer.

St Joseph Bumper Co 31.51 A Freuthardt 414.56
Brunswick Balke Co 400.— St Joseph Gas Mfg Co 3.60
John Burlington 13.52 Motts Tel Co 10.50

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Maguire Sullivan	135,50	A A Calkins	144,00
Rand Avery Co	30,	W A Woodward	6,60
Comber & McCoy	15,-	Chas Bishoff	1,00
E E Phelps	6,00	Lin Hardman	10,00
Winslow Judson	5,50	W D B Motter	29,30
Ernst & Bice	9,55	Chamberlain Harvey & Co	179,84
M. J. Sheridan	2,00	James Ridley	2,10
Benj Ullman	8,75	Weigel Roth & Co	28,65
Maguire & Slemp	61,60	Lewis Hardman & Co	321,85
T. F. Indianville	524,00	A Hurst Bish & Co	113,89
J B Brady & Co	1108,50	Lyn Judson & Co	869,88
H M Hansen & Co	196,72	A A Calkins	100,00
Winslow Judson	36,50	E J Hartley	129,35
J D M Williams	124,50		

It being apparent that the Benton Club had but a small sum in the treasury, and in view of estimated receipts for admission fees for new members, it was on motion duly seconded and carried, resolved that for the purpose of carrying out the objects of the Club and in order to meet the bills for furnishing and fitting the rooms, that this Club borrow from the Benton Club House Co the sum of six thousand Dollars, and that the President be authorized to execute a note for said loan.

On motion the Board adjourned

W A Woodward Secty

Nov 28 1887

Board of Directors

A called meeting of the Board of Directors was held at 4.30 PM Monday Nov 28th 1887
Present H.R.H. Harting, W.D.B. Mottu Winslow Judson, J.M. Walker, J.B. Brady D. McCool Dr T.H. Doyle and M.A.P. McDonald.

The minutes of the previous meeting of Nov 7/87 were read and approved

The name of J.A. Barth as a candidate for membership having first been posted for ten days previous, was balloted upon resulting in his unanimous election.

On motion of J.M. Walker duly seconded and carried the House Committee were authorized and empowered to make such purchases as were necessary for the use of the Club.

On motion duly seconded and carried the House Committee were authorized and empowered to make such additions, alterations or changes in the rules of the Club as in their judgment might be deemed best for the proper government of the Club.

On motion duly seconded and carried a committee of one consisting of W.D. Bell Mottu was appointed to revise and amend the constitution and by laws of the Club.

On motion the Executive Committee were constituted also a committee on membership

Adjourned

M.A.P. McDonald Secty

Janry 4 1888

Board of Directors

A called meeting of the board of directors was held at the Club House at 4.30 P.M. Wednesday Jany 4th 1888.

Present H.R.N. Harting, Winslow Judson, W.D.P. Motter, W.E. Hosea D.M. Cook, J.S. Brittain J.B. Brady W.F. Merrill and W.H. McDonald

A motion was made duly seconded and carried that no bills thereafter be allowed and paid unless first having been approved by the Steward or one making the purchase.

The following bills were presented and by the Secretary approved and ordered paid:

J.B. Laughlin	34,0		
A. Trenthardt	360,50	Winslow Judson	25,3,7
Winslow Judson	40,00	A Trenthardt	367,0
St Joseph Gas & Mfg Co	175,45	Van Natta L & Co	4,4

The President reported that the names of Rev James Rennie, P.E. Studebaker and F.V. Green as candidates for membership had been posted more than the required ten days, upon which a ballot was taken resulting in the unanimous election of the gentlemen above named as members of the Club

Adjourned.

W.H. McDonald Sec'y.

January 1888

Board of Directors

A called meeting of board of directors was held at eight oclock P.M. Saturday January 7th 1888 at the Boston Club House.

Present Winslow Judson, W.D.B. Motter, Dr T.H. Doyle J.H. Waller, H.R.H. Hartley D. McCool, J.B. Brady, W.E. Nossal and W.P. McCausland

Reading of minutes of previous meeting were dispensed with.

On motion duly seconded and carried Mr W.D.B. Motter and Mr D. McCool were appointed a special committee to revise the constitution and by laws of the Club for publication in pamphlet form.

The President announced the names of Geo. Ness and J.H. Dorin as candidates for membership. It being ascertained that their names had been posted more than the required ten days a ballot was then taken resulting in their unanimous election to membership in the Club.

The Secretary reported that Mr Wil Ward who had been heretofore elected a Charter member and Stockholder of the Boston Club House Co now desired to change his membership to become an Associate member of the Boston Club, and had handed in

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a check for 135# to cover membership fee and dues for six months.
After considerable discussion it was finally on motion resolved that the Secty be instructed to return the 135# check to Mr Ward with the information that having once been elected a Charter member his membership was not transferable and he was indigible to become an Associate member
The Secretary also read a letter from James McCord desiring to transfer his stock and membership in the Benton Club to some one who would be more active in club matters.
After due deliberation it was on motion duly seconded and carried ordered that the Secretary properly inform Mr McCord that his membership in the Benton Club was a "bonus" allotted to all subscribers of five shares of stock to Benton Club House Co. That while he or any stockholder had the right to transfer his stock in said Company to any other person or persons without the consent of this Club, yet the membership in the Benton Club attached to him for life and was not transferable to any other person

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Board of Directors

On motion duly seconded and carried H. B. H. Hartwig, J. W. Waller, and W. A. O. McDonald were appointed a committee to check up the books and transactions of the Steward to date.

On motion duly seconded and carried it was resolved that the dues to the club shall commence to run from Nov 1/87 at about which time club was ready for occupancy.

The following bills were read, allowed and ordered paid

Cumber & McCreary	6,25	Geo M Cohen & Co	15,10
Woods Del Co	13,50	A First Dish Co	64,00
Lon Hardman	69,75	E. F. Hartwig	28,00
Wm E. Gibson	59,45	S. S. Pierce & Co	94,80
A Preuthardt	35,00	St Jos Water Co	40,93
J D M Williams	88,50	Regnier & Shenk	6,20
Ernst & Briel	107,60	Cola Wine Co	10,25
Dexter Bros	57,83	St Jos Bruno Co	9,90
St Jos Stm Dry Co	17,75	Lewis Fuelby	9,75
L Meyer	4,00	St Jos Steam Co	10,00
John De Clue	33,35	Lyon Judson & Co	350,45
Chamberlain & Co	67,91	A Preuthardt	80,63
R Douglas & Co	42,15	Doby Fuel Co	862,00
N.W. Agency & Co	76,36	C. P. Kingsbury	22,50
Smith Young & Co	64,55	C. S. Seibert & Co	258,00
A Preuthardt	378,00	R. A. Maclaren & Co	7,50
		St Jos Gas Co	62,38

On motion Board adjourned

W. A. O. McDonald Secty

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Board of Directors

A called meeting of the board of dire of the Benton Club was held at the Club House at 8:30 P.M. Saturday Feby 25th 1888.

Present Dr T. H. Doyle in the chair, J. A. Fo tain, D. McCool, J. B. Brady W. B. B. Mo W. E. Hosea J. W. Mueller and W. A. McDona

Mr McCool presented his resignation a a director of the Club upon the plea tha he was about to leave the city to becom a resident of California.

On motion the resignation was receivi but no action taken.

The following bills were read, approved and ordered paid. Benton Club House & Sub 200,6

A. Trenthardt	378,00	Lewis Nux Fum &	130,
H. H. Nauman & Co	130,64	Augustus Bill &	62,0
Lewis Freeling	7,50	S. S. Pierce & Co	49,0
St Jos Gas Co &	57,69	Saxton & Hendrick	15,0
St Jos Water &	13,30	Maguire & Sullivan	39,4
Richard Briggs	764,99	St Cas Safe &	61,8
R. H. McDonald &	4,92	Lewis Freeling	164
Conkey McClung	18,75	Lyon Jossett & Co	13,3
S. S. Pierce & Co	54,00	Regnier Sharp &	6,5
St Joseph Water &	11,40	Hooper Lewis &	55,0
C. D. Smith Drug &	15,00	J. Adler &	15,0
H. H. Nauman & Co	112,56	W. A. McDonald	6,00
A. Trenthardt	37,00		

On motion Board adjd W. A. McDonald Secty.

Apl 7th 1888

Board of Directors

A called meeting of the board of directors was held at 7:30 P.M. Saturday Apl 7th 1888.

Present Thirslen Judson, W.E. Merrill Dr T.H. Doyle, J.B. Brady J.S. Brittain W.E. Hazard and MARK C. Dunnack.

The minutes of the previus meeting were read and approved

The resignation of Director McCool was on motion accepted.

The President announced the election of a director to succeed Mr McCool & the the next business in order.

A ballot was then taken which resulted in the unanimous election of James A. Burnes Jr as a director to fill the unexpired term of Mr McCool

The following bills were read by the Secretary approved and ordered paid:

St Joseph Gas Mfg Co	46,81	Cumberland Coal Co	3,75
Aug Gast Lith Co	7,00	D.D. Price & Co	45,00
William Goldsby & Co	29,50	H.H. Adams & Co	24,17
C.F. Harter & Co	50,—	St Jos Water & Co	15,65
F. Westheimer & Son			64,00

On motion a committee consisting of Thirslen Judson, J.S. Brittain and James A. Burnes were appointed to solicit memberships

Adjourned MARK C. Dunnack Secty.

April 14 1888

Board of Directors

A called meeting of the board of directors of the Benton Club was held at 8 o'clock P.M. at the Benton Club House on Saturday April 14th 1888.

Present Winslow Judson, J. H. Hacker, W.E. Nossa, J.B. Brady, W.D.B. Motter M.R.N. Harting Dr T.K. Doyle and McCormack.

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting were dispensed with.

Mr Motter stated on behalf of Mr Hall Cook that he desired to formally present the Benton Club with a mounted Elk's head which was one of the trophies of a recent hunting expedition in the Rocky Mountains.

On motion the gift was accepted upon the part of the club with a vote of thanks and W.D.B. Motter appointed a committee of one to make an appropriate acknowledgment.

There being no further business the board adjourned.

W.E. McCormack
Secretary.

April 18th 1888

Benton Club

The members of the Benton Club met at the Benton Club House on Wednesday April 18th 1888 at eight oclock P.M. pursuant to a postal card notification mailed to each member informing him of the date of the annual meeting for the election of Directors.

The meeting was called to order upon the appearance of a quorum of thirty members and Wheelock Judson was chosen as chairman and W.A. Pollard as secretary

The President then stated that the object of the meeting was for the election of thirteen directors of the Benton Club to serve for the ensuing year

On motion it was resolved that Club now proceed to ballot for directors.

The Chairman then appointed S.J. Smith C.M. Carter and C.F. Smith inspectors of election.

A ballot box was then opened and the inspectors recived the votes of members until the hour of nine oclock when the polls were closed and the vote counted. Subsequently the inspectors of election certified the result of the count

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to the Chairman who announced the names of the following gentlemen as having received the highest number of votes cast and declared them to be duly elected Directors of the Benton Club in accordance with the constitution and by laws, as follows; J. D. Brittain J. B. Brady, Winsler Judson, W. B. McDonald J. N. Burns Jr. W. D. B. Motley, J. N. Walker, W. E. Nossa, Charter Directors, C. M. Carter J. T. Carby, J. W. McCord, J. N. Geddes and E. L. Marney Associate Directors

On motion the Secretary was instructed to notify each one of the directors elected at this meeting, and to call a meeting for the election of officers on Saturday evening Apl 21st 1888 at the Benton Club House at eight o'clock.

There being no further business presented the club on motion adjourned sine die

W. B. McDonald
Secretary.

April 21/88

Board of Directors

A called meeting of the board of directors of the Benton Club pursuant to notice given by the Secretary in accordance with a resolution passed at the annual meeting came to order at eight o'clock P.M. Saturday April 21st 1888 at the Benton Club House.
Present J. S. Brittain, W. E. Hosea J. B. Brady, J. W. Meddens and W. A. McDonald.
On motion of W. E. Hosea duly seconded and carried Mr J. S. Brittain was elected President pro tem.
The attention of the President being called to the fact that a quorum was not present the meeting was adjourned over until Saturday evening, 8 o'clock April 28th 1888.

W. A. McDonald
Secretary

Apl 28 1888

Board of Directors

A called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club was held at eight o'clock P.M. Saturday Apl 28 1888, at the Benton Club House

Present J W Walker W E Hosea, J N Burnes Jr. J. B. Brady, J. T. Carby, J W Geddens & W A P McDonald.

In the absence of the President, on motion of J B Brady Mr J W Walker was called to the chair.

The Chairman announced the first business in order to be the election of the officers to serve for the ensuing year.

The Board then proceeded to ballot for the office of President which resulted in the unanimous election of Winslow Judson.

The election of Vice President was postponed until the next meeting.

The board then proceeded to ballot for the office of Secretary and Treasurer which resulted in the election of W. A. P. McDonald.

On motion the board adjourned

W. A. P. McDonald

Secretary

May 5 1888

Board of Directors

A called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Boston Club was held at the Boston Club House at eight o'clock P.M. Saturday May 5th 1888
Present Messrs Judson W.D. Bellows, J.T. Carby, J.A. Burnes Jr, J.H. McCord, J.B. Brady J.W. Waller, W.E. Hosea, C.M. Carter and W.A. McDonald
In the absence of the Secretary Mr C.M. Carter was elected Secty Protem.
The reading of the minutes of last meeting were dispensed with.
(At this juncture the Secretary W.A. McDonald arrived and records of Mr Carter were referred to him.)
The President announced the election of a Vice President to be the first business in order.
A ballot was then taken which resulted in the election of J.B. Brady as Vice President.
The President announced the names of N.G. Buckingham and David S. Hammond as candidates for membership. A ballot was then taken which resulted in their unanimous election.
The President then announced that he had appointed the Standing Committees

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of the Club for the ensuing year as follows:

House Committee	Executive Committee
J B Brady Chairman	Winslow Judson
J. T. Carby	J W. Fuller
J. N Burns Jr	W. E. Hosea
W. D B. Mottu	J. S. Brittain
E M Curtis	E. L. Marney
W A McDonald	J. W. Hoddens
	J. H. McCord

After a long discussion of the subject it was finally resolved upon a motion duly seconded and carried that the House Committee be authorized and instructed to levy a charge of ten cents per capita for the use of cards or card rooms for any and all games of cards.

The following bills were presented, read by the Secretary, duly approved and ordered paid by the board

A Trenchardt	375,00	H McNamee & Co	40,65
P. J. Maguire & Co	20,00	J D & M Williams	100,50
R Douglas & Co	7,25	Wm Dorris	3,95
T. Wright & Co	44,03	S. S. Pierce & Co	63,00
Peter Lanegan	2,25	Wm Dorris	4,45
Louis Nax Frem & Co	1,25	Dan'l Frank & Co	17,00

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Lyon Judson & Co	11,10	M Josenhans Mfg Co	40,06
Louis Fuelling	21,35	M Ex Herbert	10,00
John Nugent	45,00	A Greuthardt	5,00
W P McDonald	2,00	C P Kingsbury	5,00

Mr Brady called the attention of the Board to the fact that the Secretary had performed the various duties of his office, involving a great deal of time trouble and labor to the satisfaction of the Board for the past year and that no provision had been made for his compensation to which he was justly entitled.

On motion of J.S. Brittain duly seconded and carried it was resolved that the dues of the Secretary to the Club be remitted in consideration of services given.

The Secretary here informed the Directors that such compensation was not satisfactory to him, that he preferred to pay his dues, and be allowed such reasonable compensation for the past years service as was merited by the time trouble and labor expended on behalf of the Club.

On motion duly seconded and carried the matter was referred to the Executive Committee.

On motion board adjourned

W P McDonald

May 12th 1888

Board of Directors

A called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club was held at eight o' clock P.M. Saturday May 12th 1888, Present Winslow Judson, W.D.B. Motter, J.B. Brady, C.M. Carter, J.M. McCloud, J.S. Brittain and W.B. McDonald.

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting were dispensed with.

The President stated that nearly one year ago an invitation had been extended to about 120 gentlemen to become members of the club, That while some had availed themselves of this privilege of membership without the necessity of posting their names others had not. Therefore he suggested that some member offer a resolution to the effect that this invitation had now lapsed and would not be available hereafter.

It therefore was on motion duly seconded and carried:

Resolved, That no person be hereafter admitted to membership in this club until his name has been regularly posted for the required time, and until his

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name has been duly balloted upon and accepted as eligible to membership.

The House Committee here reported various amendments to the rules of government which were upon motion duly approved.

On motion duly carried W.R.D. Motter was appointed a committee of one to revise the constitution and by laws of the club with authority to have same properly printed in pamphlet form.

The Secretary notified the directors that a press of other duties made it impossible for him to longer serve in that capacity and he therefore tendered his resignation which was on motion duly accepted.

A ballot was then taken for the election of a Secretary to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation above mentioned, which resulted in the unanimous selection of Mr C. M. Carter to serve the unexpired term.

On motion the board adjourned.

W.A.P. McDonald
Secty

Directors Meeting

Saturday 26th May 1888.

A called meeting of the Board was held at the Club House at 12 noon today, present Mess Brady, Burnes Jr, McDonald, Carey, Heddens, Mosher & Carter.

In the absence of the President the Vice Prest Mr Brady presided.

The following names, having been duly posted were presented for membership, and upon a ballot being taken, were declared unanimously elected as members of this club.

David S. Hammond. New York City Non-resident.
Geo M. Cumming - St Joseph. Resident
John M. Ragan Hastings Neb. Non-resident
John T. Barnard Cincinnati O. " "

Adjourned -

C M Carter
Secretary.

Directors Meeting.

Thursday May 31st 1888.

A meeting of the Board was held this day at the Club House at 12 o'clock noon, present, Mess, Judson, Brady, Burnes Jr, Walker, Hedden, McCord, Canby & Carter.

President Judson in the Chair.

The name of Herbert A. Owen of St Joseph having been duly posted, was presented for Membership and, upon a ballot being taken he was declard unanimously elected as a resident member.

It was moved and seconded that Mess John L Britton and Geo R Mann be appointed as a committee to arrange for improvements to the Club buildings, such as may be actually necessary, and they were duly authorized to execute the same on behalf of the club, when the funds are raised to meet the expence.

Adjourned.

C M Carter Secy

Thursday July 3. 1888
5 30 P.M.

Directors Meeting.

The Board met today present Mess Judson Motter, Burnes Jr, Brittain, Brady, McCord & Carter -

The name of Mr Ernest C Hartwig was presented for membership, having been duly posted for 10 days, and upon a ballot being taken he was declared unanimously elected.

On motion of Mr Motter, the Treasurer was instructed to post delinquent members who have not paid their dues -

On motion of Mr Brady the Treasurer was authorized to charge account against R Douglas $2. to Profit & Loss - said having been erroneously charged to him -

Adjourned

McCarter
Secy

Tuesday Sept 4th 1888.

A meeting of the Board was held this day at 7 30 P.M. present Messrs Judson, Burnes Jr, Walker, Marney, Brady, Hosea & Carter - President Judson in the Chair.

The name of Samuel S. McCord, having been duly proposed & balld as required by the By-laws, was presented for membership and upon a ballot being taken he was declared unanimously elected.

The name of W.R. Peabody of Atchison Kansas was also presented and upon a ballot being taken he was declared unanimously elected.

The name of A.C. Dawes was also presented and upon a ballot being taken it was found that there were 5 votes for, and 2 against his election and the President declared him not elected.

The name of James Craig Jr was also presented and upon a ballot being taken he was declared unanimously elected.

On motion of Mr Burnes seconded by Mr Marney it was resolved that,

The House Committee be authorized to arrange for an entertainment with music & dancing, open to members and

their lady friends to be held on
Sept 27, Oct 11. 25. Nov 8. 22 Dec 6. 20
Jany 3. 17. 31. Feby 14. 28. March 14. 28.
April 11. & 25.; the expense of same, except
refreshments, to be borne by the Club.
The President appointed Messrs Burnes Jr
& Carter a Committee to approve all
Vouchers up to date.
Moved that the Board adjourn to
tomorrow afternoon at 5 30 to receive
report of Committee on Improvements.

C M Carter
Secretary.

A meeting of the Board was held at 5 30 P.M.
Wednesday Sept 5. 1888 - Present Mess Judson,
Burnes Jr, Marney, Walker, Brady, Brittain,
Hosea & Carter - The reading of the minutes
of the last meeting was dispensed with - The
report of the Committee on Improvements was
received & Mr Brittain of that Committee
was requested to go on with the work
at once. On motion adjourned

C M Carter
Secy

A called meeting of the Board was held at 10 30 Am Friday Sept 14. 1888. There were present Mess Brady, Carbry, Burnes Jr, Hosea, Walker, Marney, & Carter. The reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with. The name of Mr S. C. Brooks having been duly proposed and seconded was presented for election. A ballot having been taken he was declared unanimously elected. On motion the meeting adjourned — C M Carter Secy

October 15. 1888 —

A meeting of the House Committee was held this day at 5 PM. present Mess Brady, Motter, Carbry, & Carter. President Brady in the Chair — Mr Motter moved that the Steward be authorized to order a supply of wines for winter use at an aggregate cost of not to exceed $622.15 and of groceries etc not to exceed $151.90 seconded by Mr Carbry & carried unanimously

C M Carter Secy

Thursday November 1st 1888.

A called meeting of the Board was held this day at 5.30 PM present Messrs. Judson, Motter, Burnes Jr, Brady, Walker, Brittain & Carter. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The name of Mr W.P. Robinson Jr having been properly proposed and seconded & posted as required for the requisite length of time, a ballot was taken and he was declared unanimously elected a Resident Member of this Club.

It was moved by Mr Motter that Mr John S Brittain be appointed a Committee to purchase Furniture &c for improvements of Club House. Seconded by Mr Walker & Carried.

C M Carter
Secy

Directors Meeting -

A called meeting of the Board was held at the Club House December 22d, 1888 Present Messrs, Judson, Marney, Brady, Brittain, Heddens Motter, McCaul & Walker -

President Judson in the Chair: in the absence of the Secretary Mr J H McCord was appointed Secretary pro. tem.

The Secretary presented the name of Mr Edward McNeil for membership, and it having been shown that he had been regularly proposed & seconded this name posted for the requisite length of time, a ballot was taken & he was declared unanimously elected a Member of this Club -

It was moved and seconded that the Monthly Magazines be discontinued, and weeklies & dailies continued for the ensuing year, & that the old files be sent to the "Home of the Friendless" - Said motion carried -

Adjourned -

J H McCord
Secretary pro tem.

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December 28th, 1888.

A called meeting of the Board of Directors was held this day

Present - Messrs Judson, Brittain, Burnes Jr.,Hosea, Carbry, Brady and McCord.

President Judson in the Chair.

In the absence of the Secretary, Mr. J.H.McCord was appointed Secretary pro tem.

Mr.Carbry moved, and it was duly seconded, that the present library and new room in the west wing be devoted on Thursday of each week and every evening from IO to I2 P.M. to the use of ladies invited by members of the Club.
Mr. Brittain voted against the proposition, but it was carried by the majority.

Mr. Brittain moved, seconded by Mr. Burnes, that all charges for cards be discontinued. Carried.
Mr. Hosea voted against the proposition .

The Steward submitted a list of suggestions which was referred to the House Committee.

Mr.Burnes moved, seconded by Mr. Brittain, that Harper's and Lippincott's Monthlies be added to list of periodicals subscribed for by the Club. Carried.

Mr.Brittain moved, seconded by Mr. Burnes, that a boy be hired to attend the billiard room. Carried.
Adjourned.

J.H. McCord
Secretary. pro tem

St.Joseph, Mo., December 28th, I888.

Monday, January 14th, 1889.

Meeting of Board of Directors.

A called meeting of the Board was held at 5 P.M. this day

Present - J.S.Brittain Jr W.D.B.Motter, J.N.Burnes, J.B.Brady, Winslow Judson, J.W.Heddens and C.M.Carter.

President Judson in the Chair,

The names of John Donovan Jr. and A.E.McKinney having been proposed, according to the by-laws, for membership, and having been duly posted for IO days, were presented by the Secretary to the meeting for election.....Upon a ballot being taken it was found that both were unanimously elected.

The President presented a letter from the Woman's Exchange of St.Joseph, requesting that the Benton Club allow the Exchange the use of its house for the purpose of a reception. The matter was discussed, and,

On motion of Mr. Brittain, duly seconded, it was

V o t e d that the request of the Woman's Exchange be declined as being not in conformity with the by-laws of the Club.

Moved by Mr.Burnes, duly seconded, that the Secretary hand delinquent accounts against members to S.G.Hill for collection and report to Secretary. Carried.

It was moved by Mr. Burnes that a Committee of one be appointed to arrange details of settlement between the Benton Club House Company and the Benton Club.

The President then appointed C.M.Carter a Committee of one on behalf of the Benton Club.

The following bills were allowed:-

J.B.Brady $704.96 for which note of the Club is to be given for that amount and an old balance, making the aggregate $1176.76, the note to bear interest at 7%.

The following bills were also allowed:-

Louis Hax Furniture Co. $161.50, Ernst & Brill $229.05.

Mr. Burnes then offered the following resolution:-

R e s o l v e d that the members of the Board of the Benton Club desire to acknowledge to Mr.Winslow Judson their appreciation of his gift of a bust of Thos.H.Benton, and that, on

behalf of the Club, the Board extends to Mr. Judson its th anks f
the gift and hereby accepts the same in the name of the Club.
Carried.

Secretary.

St.Joseph, Mo., Jan. 14th, 1889.

Directors' Meeting.

Febuary 2nd 1889.

A meeting of the Board was held this day at 5 P.M. present Mess Judson Brittain, Brady, Walker, Carby, McCord, Marney, Burnes Jr.

President Judson in the Chair: in the absence of the Secretary Mr Burnes was appointed Secretary pro-tem.

The names of John L. Welch, John H. West, & Dr Jacob Geiger were presented for election as members of the Club and it having been shown that these names had been regularly proposed seconded and posted for the required length of time a ballot was taken resulting in their unanimous election.

Adjourned

Jas L. Burnes Jr.
Secretary - pro tem.

March 18th 1889

Directors Meeting.

At a meeting of the Directors held this day there were present Mess Brady, Brittain Hosea, McDonald, McCord, Burnes Jr, Carboy & Carter. In the absence of the President the Vice President Mr Brady took the chair. The names of the following persons were presented for election as Members, it having been shown that each had been regularly proposed seconded & bulletined.

E.F. Weld Resident Member
H.S. Gray " "
J.C. Hannah Non resident " Chicago.
Lathrop R Bacon " " New York

A ballot having been taken they were declared unanimously elected.

Mr McDonald moved that House Rule No 15 be amended by adding the words "except at "discretion of the Steward and to members of the "Club only" Carried.

Mr Brittain offered the following, Resolved, "That all dues not paid by the 10th May and 10th November each half year be posted on bulletin board." Carried.

Adjourned

C.M. Carter
Secretary

BENTON CLUB,

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., April 3d, 1889.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the BENTON CLUB will be held at the club house, at St. Joseph, Mo., on Wednesday, April 17th, 1889, at eight o'clock, P. M., for the election of Directors for the ensuing year, as prescribed by Article IV of the Constitution.

A full attendance is urgently requested.

By order of the Board.

C. M. CARTER,

Secretary.

Directors' Meeting.

Wednesday, April 17th, 1889.
12 o'clock Noon.

At a meeting of the Directors there were present Messrs Judson, Walker, Hosea, Motter, Brady, McCord, McDonald, Burnes Jr. and Carter, President Judson in the Chair.

The President appointed a committee composed of Messrs Motter, Hosea & Burnes Jr. to canvass & prepare a list of directors to be suggested for election at the annual meeting tonight at 8 o'clock.

The committee reported the following list:-

Charter	Associate
J.B.Brady	Ed.C.Smith
J.W.Walker	C.M.Carter
Joshua Motter	C.F.Smith
W.P.Hall	C.H.Darby
S.M.Nave	O.M.Spencer
T.F.VanNatta	
J.M.Frazer	
John S.Lemmon	

and the Secretary was instructed to print the ballots accordingly.

On motion of Mr. McDonald it was moved that the annual dues of the present Secretary be remitted in compensation for his services for the past year.

The Secretary submitted his report of the financial condition of the Club as of date April 1st and read the same which was duly approved and ordered spread upon the records of the Club.

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B a l a n c e S h e e t - A p r i l 1st, I 8 8 9.

C.M.Carter, Treasurer....	11.49	Memberships.....	5750.00
Liveries.....	349.90	Dues.....	6156.03
Traveling Expenses.....	554.66	Benton Club House Co.	7122.00
Insurance.....	354.85	Bills Payable.....	1176.76
Fuel.....	I076.38	Cigars.....	132.29
Salaries.....	6707.28	Cards.....	5.I0
Incidentals.....	1668.40	Rooms.....	578.65
Gas Service.....	728.24	Pool.....	1551.45
Water Service.....	186.89		
Printing & Stationery....	416.45		
Furniture & Fittings.....	7834.64		
Restaurant.....	960.90		
Wines & Liquors.....	530.42		
Interest.....	505.55		
Taxes.....	357.18		
Repairs Building.....	229.05		
	$22472.28		$22472.28

St.Joseph, Mo., April 1st, I889.

C M Lasley
Secretary.

BENTON CLUB.

Assets.		Liabilities.	
Cash.....	11.49	Benton Club House Co.	7122.00
Liveries.....	349.90	J.B.Brady & Co. note..	1176.76
Furniture &c.....	7834.64	Sundry Bills unpaid...	521.44
Wines & Liquors.....	774.95	Bal. or net assets....	346.98
Cigars.....	116.20		
Groceries.....	75.00		
	$9167.18		$9167.18

St.Joseph, Mo. April 1st, I889.

C.M.Carter
Secretary.

There being no other business presented the meeting then adjourned.

C.M.Carter Secy

B E N T O N C L U B.

Annual Meeting.

St.Joseph, Wednesday, April 17th, 1889

The members of the Benton Club met at the Club House this day at 8 P.M., the President, Mr. Judson, in the Chair. The Secretary called the roll and reported 49 members present. The minutes of the last meeting of the members were read and approved. The Chairman stated to the meeting that the standing committees had no report to make.

The Secretary then read his report showing the financial condition of the Club. Mr. W.D.B.Motter offered the following resolution :

Resolved that the report of the Secretary be received and that the debt of the Club incurred by order of the directors, amounting to $ 298.76 be ratified, affirmed and approved.

The motion having been put, duly seconded, it was carried unanimously.

The Chairman then appointed, as Inspectors of Election, S.A.Walker, H.G.Buckingham and J.H.Trice. The polls were then opened to receive votes,and remained open for one hour, at the end of which time the Inspectors reported to the Chairman that the following persons had received a majority of all the votes cast at the meeting:-

Charter Members.	Associate Members.
J.B.Brady	Ed. C. Smith
J.W.Walker	C. M. Carter
Joshua Motter	C. F. Smith
W.P.Hall	C.H.Darby
S.M. Nave	O.M.Spencer
T.F.VanNatta	
J.M.Frazer	
John S. Lemmon	

The Chairman then announced that the foregoing were duly elected directors for the ensuing year.

There being no other business presented the meeting then adjourned, sine die.

C. M. Carter

Secretary

B E N T O N C L U B.

Directors' Meeting.

St.Joseph, Mo., April 19th, I889.

In compliance with the Constitution the Directors of the Benton Club met at the Club House at 7.30 P.M. this day.

There were present - Messrs Brady, Walker, Lemmon, Nave, Joshua Motter, Spencer, VanNatta, E.C.Smith, Darby, Frazer, C.F.Smith and Carter.

Mr. O.M.Spencer was elected temporary Chairman, and Mr.Carter Secretary of the meeting.

The Chairman called the meeting to order and announced that the elections of officers was in order.

Mr. Walker moved, duly seconded, that the rules be suspended and that Mr. J.B.Brady be elected President by acclamation.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. VanNatta moved that the rules be suspended, and that Mr. C.M.Carter be elected Vice President by acclamation.

Carried unanimously.

Mr. Darby moved, duly seconded, that Mr. C.F.Smith be elected Secretary & Treasurer by acclamation.

Carried unanimously.

The temporary chairman, Mr. Spencer, then resumed his seat in the Board and Mr. J. B. Brady took the Chair.

The President then announced the following standing committes for the ensuing year:-

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

J.B.Brady
S. M. Nave
T. F. VanNatta
W. P. Hall
C. H. Darby
O.M.Spencer
J.M.Frazer

HOUSE COMMITTEE

C.M.Carter, Chairman
Joshua Motter
E.C.Smith
J.W.Walker
C. F. Smith
J .S.Lommon

The President then appointed Mr. J.M.Frazer a committee of one to purchase additional window and door screens for the house.

There being no other business presented the meeting then adjourned

C M Carter
Secretary

April, 30th, 1889.

D i r e c t o r s ' s M e e t i n g.

At a meeting of the Directors, held this day, there were present Messrs Brady, Hall, Van Natta, Carter, Frazer, Motter, Darby, and C. F. Smith.

President Brady in the chair- The names of the following persons were presented for election as members, it having been shown that each had been regularly proposed, seconded and bulletined; Vinton Pike, Resident member,

Geo. W. Clawson, " "

A ballot having been taken they were declared unanimously elected.

On motion, duly seconded, Messrs Carter and Frazer were appointed a committe to obtain bids for painting the outside woodwork of the club building.

On motion adjourned.

Secretary.

A meeting of the Directors was held on Saturday evening May, 4th, 1889, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present J. E. Brady, T. F. Van Natta, E. C. Smith, S. M. Nave, C. M. Carter, C. H. Darby, J. M. Frazer and C. F. Smith.

President Brady presided-Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Report from committe appointed at last meeting was received, and bids for painting outside wood-work submitted and examined. Mr Churchill's bid being lowest, viz $169,50, it was accepted, and committe instructed tonotify him to that effect. On motion adjourned.

C. F. Smith

Secretary.

D i r e c t o r ' s M e e t i n g. 5/27/89/8/P.M./

At a meeting of the Directors held this day, there were present Messrs Brady, Carter, Van Natta, Darby, Jno. Frazer, C. F. Smith, Joshua Motter, Spencer. President Brady in the chair. The name of Geo. B. Dunbar was presented for election as member, it having been shown that he had been regularly proposed, seconded and balletined. A ballot having been taken he was declared unanimously elected.

On motion adjourned.

Secretary.

Directors Meeting

A meeting of the Board was held Saturday June 8th 1889 at 8 o'clock P.M. Present. J. B. Brady - J. M. Ward - P. M. Walker - C. M. Baird. J. Ka Darby - E. L. Smith - absent Messrs. C. P. Smith President Brady occupied the Chair. The name of Jno. E. Talbot was presented for Election as member, having been proposed, seconded, and balloted for the required time. E. Talbot having been Duly declared Elected, On motion of C. M. Baird seconded by J. M. Ward it was Resolved that the Steward be instructed not to take any orders for Luncheon (except special orders) after 11 o'clock P.M. On motion adjourned.

C. P. Smith
Secretary

Directors Meeting

A Meeting of the Board was held Friday Nov. 1st 1889 at 8 o'clock PM. Present J.B. Brady, C.M. Hart, C.C. Hunt, C.M. Hart, C.F. Hunt, C.H. Darby, C.M. Spencer, President Brady occupied the chair, The following names were presented for election as members J.L. Pettinger, Geo. M. Sommer Ric D. Gilkey, J.H. Burkham, C.A. Sollitte C.M. Hart, Geo. A. Kincaid having been proposed, seconded and balloted for the required time, A ballot having been taken they were declared elected, On motion the meeting adjourned

C.F. Hunt
Secretary

BENTON CLUB.

Directors' Meeting.

Monday, December 9th, 1889.

A meeting of the directors was held at the Club house at 7.30 P.M. this day. Present, Messrs Brady, Spencer, Darby, E.C. Smith, Frazer, Joshua Motter, Van Natta and Carter.

President Brady in the Chair.

In the absence of the Secretary Mr. C.M.Carter was appointed Secretary pro tem.

The Secretary presented the name of John I. McDonald as a candidate for membership, and it having been shown that his name was properly proposed and posted for the required length of time, upon a ballot being taken he was declared unanimously elected.

The Secretary also presented the name of A.C.Dawes as a candidate for membership, and it having been shown that his name was properly proposed and posted for the required length of time, upon a ballot being taken he was declared unanimously elected.

A discussion was then had as to the propriety of admitting to membership persons who have come into possession of certificates of stock in the Benton Club House Company previously owned by persons deceased....The matter was discussed at length, and, finally, on motion of Mr. Frazer, duly seconded, it was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Spencer it was ordered that the Secy. prepare statements of the financial condition of the Club up to

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Directors' Meeting.

Monday, December 9th, 1889.

A meeting of the directors was held at the Club house at 7/30 P.M. this day. Present, Messrs Brady, Spencer, Darby, E.C. Smith, Frazer, Joshua Motter, Van Natta and Carter.

President Brady in the Chair.

In the absence of the Secretary Mr. C.M.Carter was appointed Secretary pro tem.

The Secretary presented the name of John I. McDonald as a candidate for membership, and it having been shown that his name was properly proposed and posted for the required length of time, upon a ballot being taken he was declared unanimously elected.

The Secretary also presented the name of A.C.Dawes as a candidate for membership, and it having been shown that his name was properly proposed and posted for the required length of time, upon a ballot being taken he was declared unanimously elected.

A discussion was then had as to the propriety of admitting to membership persons who have come into possession of certificates of stock in the Benton Club House Company previously owned by persons deceased....The matter was discussed at length, and, finally, on motion of Mr. Frazer, duly seconded, it was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Spencer it was ordered that the Secy. prepare statements of the financial condition of the Club up to

There being no other business presented, the meeting, on motion, adjourned.

O M Carter
Secretary.
Pro tem.

Renton Club.

Directors' Meeting.

Saturday, December 14th, 1889.

A meeting of the Directors was held at the Club House at 8 P. M. this day. Present J. M. Brady, J. W. Walker, C. H. Darby, C. M. Carter, Joshua Motter, E. C. Smith, O. M. Spencer and C. F. Smith. President J. M. Brady in the chair.

The resignation of C. F. Smith, Secretary & Treasurer of the club, was read and accepted.

On motion, duly seconded, a vote of thanks was tendered Mr Smith for the efficient manner in which he had fulfilled his duties, and that his dues from May, 1st, 1888., to May, 1st, 1890, be remitted.

On motion, duly seconded, Mr C. M. Carter was appointed Secretary and Treasurer of the Club, upon the following conditions- that his dues for six months from May, 1890., be remitted, and that his clerk be allowed $5,00 per month for doing the work.

On motion adjourned.

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Direct[illegible] Meeting.

[illegible]ay, January 25th, 1890.

A meeting of the Di[illegible] was held at the club house 7:30 P.M. this day. Present. M[illegible]Brady, Darby, VanNatta, N[illegible] Ed. C. Smith and C. M. Carter.

President Brady in the Chair.

The Secretary presented the names of H.G. Gerhard, Ha[illegible]y George and R.W. Powell as candidates for membership, [illegible] ri[illegible] been shown that their names were properly proposed a[illegible] for the required length of time, upon a ballot being take[illegible] declared unanimously elected.

There being no other business presented, t[illegible] on motion adjourned.

C M Carter

Secretary pr[illegible]

Montgomery

Directors Meeting.

March 1st

At a meeting of the Directors held this day, there were present: Messrs J.M.Frazer, C.H.Darby, E.C.Smith, S.M.Nave, J. Brady, O.M.Spencer and C.M.Carter.

The name of Mr. C.C.Christy was presented to the Board for membership as a Non-Resident member, and it having been shown that his name had been properly proposed and seconded and posted on the bulletin board for the requisite length of time, and upon a ballot being taken, he was declared elected a Non-Resident member.

Messrs Frazer, Darby and Smith were appointed a Committee to solicit funds.

Messrs Nave, Brady and Darby were appointed a Committee to look into the expenses of the Club.

The complaint of Mr. Dunbar as to servants was referred to the Committee composed of Messrs Nave, Brady and Darby.

No other business being presented, the meeting adjourned.

C M Carter

Secretary.

Benton Club.

Directors' Meeting.

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At a meeting of the Directors, held this day, there [redacted]
Messrs Brady, Walker, Hall, Lemmon, E.C.Smith, Sp[redacted]
Carter.

The name of Mr. Wm. Hyde was presented for election [redacted]
resident member, and it having been shown that his name [redacted] im[redacted]
proposed and seconded and posted for the requisite leng[redacted] nt
upon a ballot being taken, he was declared elected as a [redacted]
member of this Club.

No other business being presented the meeting adj[redacted]

C M Lawless

Secretary.

Seturday, March 22nd, 1890.
8 o'clock P. M.

Directors' Meeting.

At a meeting of the Directors hold this day, there were present: Messrs Brady, Walker, VanVatta, Derby, Nave, Motter, Spencer and Carter.

President Brady in the Chair.

The Committee appointed by the President to confer with a committee from the Calumet Club on the question of admitting certain members of that Club to membership in the Fenton Club, reported to this meeting and a general discussion of the matter was had.

On motion of Mr. Motter, seconded by Mr. Walker, it was

R e s o l v e d , that the President be instructed to advise the committee representing the Calumet Club that the Directors of this Club are not empowered, under its Constitution, to admit any person as a member of this Club, except upon full payment of the initiation fees as fixed by the Constitution.

Carried unanimously.

Mr. Nave offered the following resolution, seconded by Mr. Spencer:

R e s o l v e d. that if the names of twenty five (25) or more members of the Calumet Club be proposed, that those acceptable to the Directory be admitted at the regular initiation, same to be payable in regular installments of $5.00 per month for twenty months.

Carried unanimously.

Mr. Spencer moved, seconded by Mr. VanVatta, that a copy of these proceedings be sent to the President of the Calumet Club.

Carried unanimously.

On motion, the meeting then adjourned.

Attest C M Carter

St Joseph Mo April 9, 1870

At a meeting of the Members this day the following proceedings were had -

On M R E Turner the Chairman of the Committee appointed by the President to take action on the death of Col Winslow Judson, offered the following:

Mr. President and Gentlemen: While offering the resolution presented for your adoption, I am constrained to say that every member of your committee, every member of the Benton club, and every citizen of St. Joseph, who enjoyed an acquaintance with Col Winslow Judson mourns his untimely death as a public calamity.

A brilliant genius, ever alert in planing great enterprises; his zeal and untiring energy in pushing them to successful accomplishment, made him invaluable to the city at large. He was a loving husband, an affectionate father, a kind brother, and a truly loyal friend. Generous and charitable; endowed with fine social instincts and accomplishments, his greatest desire was to afford pleasure to others. He was possessed of rare native gifts of intellect and had an educated and trained mind. He had just attained the years when he might become a useful leader among his fellow men when death removed him from our midst.

The committee then offered the following resolution to the members which was unanimously adopted:

Whereas, It is with grief-stricken hearts that we record the untimely removal from our midst, at the behest of the Silent Reaper, of one of the founders of this organization, its first president and its best beloved and most honored member, Col. Winslow Judson; and

Whereas, In the death of Col. Judson, this community has sustained and mourns the irreparable loss of a citizen ever true, earnest, aggressive and unselfish in his devotion to the welfare of the city he loved so well; the record of whose public services stands garnered and embodied in every important public enterprise that has contributed to the material progress of St. Joseph; and

Whereas, We, the members of the Benton club, who have in life enjoyed the high privilege of his personal confidence and friendship, are sorely bereaved by the loss of so true and loyal a friend, so intelligent, affable, and courteous a companion; and brother; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved and sorrowing loved ones our sincere sympathy in this hour of grief and affliction.

Attest
A Carter
Secy

...rectors' Meeting,

April 14th, ...900.

...t a meeting of the Board held this day there were p...nt ...s. Brady, Walker, Fra...er, Darby, Smith, VanNatta & C...ner. ...e President appointed a committee composed of J. ...Walker ...M. Carter to nominate a ticket for directors to be elected ...t annual meeting on 16th inst. The committee rep...ed the ...ng ticket:-

Charter Members	Associate Members.
Joshua Motter	O. M. Spencer
D. D. Burnes	J. H. McCord
W. P. Hall	C. H. Darby
J. M. Frazer	E. McNeil
J. D. Richardson	G. B. Dunbar
T. F. Van Natta	
W. D. B. Motter	
H. R. W. Hartwi...	

...ion, the Bo...d accepted the re...ort.

The resignat...on of Mr. G. M. Cumming, a Non-Resident m...ber, was presented by the Secret...y and accepted. There being no other business presented, on motion the meeting ad...rned.

Secretary ...

BENTON CLUB.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

ANNUAL MEETING.

St. Joseph, Mo., April 2, 1890.

The annual meeting of the Benton Club will be held at the Club House, at St. Joseph, Mo., on Wednesday, April 16th, 1890, at 8 o'clock, p. m., for the election of Directors for the ensuing year, as prescribed by Article IV of the Constitution.

A full attendance is urgently requested.

By order of the Board.

C. M. CARTER,

Secretary pro tem.

B E N T O N C L U B.

-o- Annual Report for the year ending April 1st, I890. -o-

I herewith submit an exhibit of the financial operations of the Club for the year ending April 1st, I890.

Cash on hand April 1st, I889		$ 11.49
Cash received during the year from		
Memberships	1600.00	
Dues	4718.65	
Incidentals	86.75	
Wines and Liquors (gain)	219.86	
Cigars (gain)	266.28	
Rent of Rooms	574.45	
Billiards & Pool	409.30	
Voluntary Contributions	1225.00	
		$9111.78

Which has been disposed of as follows:-

For Liveries		$ 44.00
Insurance		7.50
Fuel		474.21
Salaries		4285.50
Incidentals		1305.93
Gas		379.62
Water		79.15
Printing		7.75
Furniture &c		251.10
Restaurant - Loss during year		510.07
Interest		1084.52
Taxes		347.12
Repairs Building		169.50
Cash on hand this date		185.81
		$9111.78

B E N T O N C L U B.

Trial Balance. April 15th, 1890

W. M. Carter, Treas...	$ 185.81	By Membership.....	$ 7350.00
Insurance.....	7.50	Dues.....	290.18
Fuel.....	155.07	Benton Club Ho.Co..	7122.00
Salaries.....	760.00	Bills Payable.....	1176.76
Incidentals.....	415.60	Cigars.....	398.57
Gas.....	127.45	Rooms.....	221.70
Water.....	9.20	Pool.....	85.25
Printing & Stationery.	2.00	Voluntary Contribu-	
Furniture & Fittings..	8085.74	tions.	1225.00
Restaurant.....	182.31		
Wines & Liquors.....	310.56		
Interest.....	536.06		
Taxes.....	122.22		
Profit & Loss.....	6969.94		
	$17869.46		$17869.46

The membership of the Club at this date consists of:

36 Charter members,
63 Associate Resident members,
8 Non-Resident members,
107 Members.

During the past year there have been elected

Resident members 15
Non-Resident members 1

During the past year the Membership has been decreased by the resignation of

2 Non-Resident members
3 Charter members
2 Associate Resident members
And by the death of one Charter member.

The foregoing shows 16 additions to the membership and 8 deduction

Secy. & Treas.
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St.Joseph, Mo., April 15th, 1890.

B E N T O N C L U B.

Annual Meeting.

St.Joseph,Wednesday, April 16th, 1890.

The members of the Benton Club met at the Club House this day at 8 P. M.,the President, Mr. Brady, in the Chair. The Secretary called the roll and reported 31 members present.

The minutes of the last meeting of the members were read and approved.

The Chairman stated to the meeting that the Standing Committees had no report to make.

The Secretary then read his report, showing the operations of the Club during the past year, which was ordered accepted and to be spread upon the records.

The election of Directors being then in order, the Chairman appointed, as Inspectors of Election, Messrs E.C.Smith, Edson Gregg and A.H.McDonald. The polls were then opened to receive votes and remained open one hour, at the end of which time the Chairman reported to the meeting that the following persons had received a majority of all votes cast at the meeting:-

Charter Members.	Associate Members.
Joshua Motter	O. M. Spencer
C. A. Pfeiffer	C. H. Darby
W. P. Hall	E. McNeil
J. M. Frazer	G. B. Dunbar
J. D. Richardson	J. H. McCord
T. F. Van Natta	
W. D. B. Motter	
H. R. W. Hartwig	

The Chairman then announced that the foregoing were duly elected for the ensuing year.

There being no other business presented, the meeting adjourned sine die.

Secretary.

Directors Meeting April 19'90

There were present Messrs. W.D.B. Motter J.M. Zeger O.M. Spencer C. McNeil J.D. Richardson, C.A. Darby, Joshua Motter J.H. McCord and Geo. B. Dunbar

On motion Mr. Spencer was called to the Chair pro tem, and Geo. B. Dunbar was appointed Secy. pro tem.
On the Chair announcing the first order of business to be election of officers the following gentlemen were nominated & unanimously elected.
W.D.B. Motter President
John M. Zeger Vice President
Geo. B. Dunbar Secretary & Treasurer

After some general discussion in regard to the duties of the Standing Committees, the President announced that in accordance with the Constitution he would appoint the following Standing Committees and that in the absence of the regular Chairmen members would serve as temporary Chairmen in the order named

Executive Com. N. D. B. Motter Chairman
O. M. Spencer, C. McNeil, Geo B. Drum
J. H. McCord, J. D. Richardson
C. A. Pfeiffer
House Com. J. M. Frazer, Chairman
Joshua Motter, W. P. Hall, J. F. Van Natta
H. R. M. Hartwig, C. H. Darby.

On motion of O. M. Spencer the Executive Com. was directed to report at the next meeting of the Board upon the financial condition of the Club.

Letter was read from C. M. Carter absolutely declining to serve [illegible] in any capacity.

Complaint against the Steward by C. M. Carter was received, read and on motion of O. M. Spencer the Chair appointed as a Committee of them to investigate complaint & report at next meeting of Board O. M. Spencer Chairman, J. M. Frazer & J. H. McCord

Resolutions of thanks to J. B. Brady as follows introduced by O. M. Spencer passed

Directors Meeting

April 26th 1890

Meeting called to order by President Motter. There were present besides the President Messrs. Joshua Motter, Hartwig, McNeil, Richardson, Frazier, Van Natta, Spencer & McCord. In absence of Secy J.F. Van Natta acted as Secy Pro Tem.

Minutes of last meeting dis[illegible]

Com. appointed — On hearing com. remarks by Mr. McNeil & others on the financial condition of the Club. Mr. Spencer moved that the executive Com. examine into the expenses and resources of the Club and report to the next meeting what reduction if any can be made without detriment to the comfort of the members, seconded by Mr. McNeil

Com. appointed — Committee appointed to investigate charges preferred against the Steward made report to effect charges had been withdrawn, full report on file. Moved by McNeil seconded by Hartwig & carried, that report be adopted & Com. discharged. — Adjourned. J.F. Van Natta

Directors Meeting

May 5th 1890

Present Messrs. Frazer, Darby, Hartwig, Richardson, Van Hatta, Mottet & McCord

In absence of President, Mr. Frazer took the Chair

In absence of Secy Mr. McCord was elected Secy pro tem.

The name of Mr. Parry was presented for election, it having been shown that his name had been proposed, seconded and duly posted as requires by the Constitution he was balloted for, and duly declared elected.

Adjourned.

Directors Meeting

May 10th 1890

Meeting called to order by President Motter, other members present were Messrs. Yager, Spencer, Richardson McNeil, McCord, Keating & Dunbar
Minutes of last meeting dispensed with
Chairman of Ex. Com. stated he had not had time to investigate and prepare report as called for by Resolution at meeting of April 26th asked for more time for his Com. granted
The name of R. M. Davis was proposed for membership
It having been shown that his name had been proposed, seconded and duly posted as required
He was after ballot declared duly elected and Secy instructed to notify him accordingly
The Secy then presented a list of names of members who were delinquent for semi-annual dues. Namely Messrs. Manney Hingston, Lancaster, Rice, Geiger & Sommer

Mr Frazer volunteered to see Mr. Manney in regard to payment Mr Spencer stated that he was in a measure responsible for Mr. Lonnes election before he was ready to join, and also that for certain reasons it would be impossible for him to join at present. He then moved a reconsideration of vote electing Mr. Lonner which was carried and Mr. Lonnes name was withdrawn

Major Keating volunteers to see Dr. Geiger regard payment Secy was instructed to write Messrs. Kingston & Fiske that unless their dues were paid up at once their names would be reported to Board of Directors Secy. instructed to report to next meeting some further information regard standing of Mr Lancaster

April Pay Roll was then read and discussed

Moved by Mr. McNeil seconded & carried. That it is the sentiment

of the Board that the Cook's present Salary ($90.00) is too high and that the President confer with Stewart with a view to seeing if it is not possible to reduce the same.
Moved by Major Hartley seconded that the offices of fireman and janitor be consolidated, and that ~~Carried~~ one waiter be dropped from pay-roll changes to take effect on one months notice. Carried
It was moved by Judge Spencer seconded and adopted, that Com. of three to consist of the President J. Rissen, Roger & McNeil be appointed to acquaint the Steward with this action and with what is expected of him in the future in this direction.
Moved by Judge Spencer that hereafter no applicant will be admitted as a member of this Club at anything less than regular ~~initiation~~ admission fee. Seconded & Carried

Resignation of Mr. J.H. Farish having been read was accepted.
On motion, the Secy was instructed to purchase a blank book of

suitable size, to be lettered on the cover.

"Complaints and Suggestions from Members of the Burton Club."

this book to be kept on the table in the reading room.

It was moved by Mr. McNeil that Messrs. Hartwig McCord and Richardson be appointed a committee to take an inventory of supplies etc. on hand and report to the next meeting.

Adjourned

Directors Meeting May 31/90

Present - Messrs. N.D.B. Motter, Frazer Spencer, Darby, Richardson, McNeil, Joshua Motter & Dumba President Motter in the Chair.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.
Committee appointed April 26th to examine into the expenses and resources of the Club was on motion discharged in as much as practically the same ground was to be covered by Com. appointed at meeting of May 10th.

Mr. N.D.B. Motter Chairman of Com. appointed May 10th to consider the salary list of the Club, reported that his committee had discussed the matter with the Steward, but that for the present, the question was solved by all the waiters having left of their own accord. The Steward will report what can be done towards reducing the Cook's wages.

N.D.B. Motion for Com. to report.

Moved by Judge Spencer Dr. Darby seconding that report be accepted and Committee given vote of thanks. Motion carried, and general discussion indulged in on the question of Lodge.

Secretary reported concerning members who were delinquent with their dues.

Judge Spencer to report.

Judge Spencer offered to see Mr. Lancaster, and give him an opportunity to explain the circumstances of his not being present. (not given for admission fee) and to report at next meeting.

On motion of Judge Spencer seconded by Mr. McNeil. Mr. Mauney's name in connection with delinquent dues was passed for this meeting.

Moved by Mr. Hagen seconded by Mr. McNeil that the Secretary be instructed to notify Messrs Hingston & Rice, unless their back dues are paid by July 1st/96 they will have forfeited their membership.

Adjourned.

Directors Meeting June 21/90

Present - Mssrs. W.D.B. Motter, Joshua Motter, Yager, Darby, McCord, Hartwig Van Natta, & Dunbar.
Minutes of last meeting dispensed with

Mr. McCord for the Committee appointed May 10th to take an account of stock read the report of Committee showing stock of wines liquors & cigars on hand, upon which there was some discussion, the general sentiment being that the stock was not as a whole larger than it should be.

Mr. Yager stated that he had instructed the steward that hereafter supplies were not to be purchased until the order had received the approval of the Chairman of the House Com.

On motion the report was accepted and the Com. discharged.

Com. appointed

It was moved by Dr. Darby seconded by Mr. McNeil that a Committee of two be appointed to investigate the system of book

keeping at present in use in the Club and the President appointed as such Committee Messrs Richardson and Dunbar.
The Secretary brought up the question of returns to be made for County Taxes and on motion by Major Starling seconded by D. Darby it was resolved that the value of Personal Property should be returned at $1000.00 and of Real Estate $3000.00
Moved by Major Starling that the Secretary notify Wm. N. G. Fairleigh that he will be reinstated as an active member upon payment of Current dues
Seconded by M. Sager.
After considerable discussion this resolution was withdrawn.
Mr. McLord seconded by D. Darby then moved that Section 11 Art. IX. of the Constitution be construed to apply to Charter members as well as Associate members, Carried
The name of Mr. Ragan was then presented as being delinquent

in his dues, and it was moved by Major Hartwig seconded by Mr. McCord that the secretary notify Mr. Hagan that unless his dues in are all paid up by July 15th his name will be dropped from the list of membership.

The secretary then read letter of June 20th from Mr. J. M. Nave complaining of the Steward and after considerable discussion on motion of Mr Hagen seconded by Dr. Darby it was resolved that a committee of two be appointed to interview all members of the Club and ascertain the sentiments of each regarding the service at the Club and more especially what feeling prevails as to the desirability of a change of Steward.

Com. appointed. The chair appointed as such committee Messrs. Richardson and McCord.

Adjourned

Directors Meeting July 3rd 189

Present. Messrs. Hager, Hartwig, McNeil, J. Mottet, Richardson, McCord & Drudbar
Mr. Hager in the Chair.

The names of Messrs. H. M. Gaulich and N. H. Osborn, having been posted, in accordance with the by-laws these gentlemen were balloted upon and unanimously elected.
There being no other business to come before the meeting it adjourned.

Directors Meeting July 19th 1890

Present. Messrs. Yager. Richardson, Darby Van Natta, Spencer Hastwig, McCord, & J. Motter. Mr. Yager in the Chair and Mr. Richardson Secy pro tem.

The name of Mr Chas. H. Evans having been duly proposed & posted as provided for in the bylaws a ballot was taken and Mr. Evans declared elected.

A complaint from the book was read regarding the price of drinks, on motion a committee of three viz Messrs Hastwig, Miller & Spencer was appointed to investigate the price list and make suggestions to report at next meeting

Committee appointed

Moved by Mr. Motter and seconded by Mr. McCord that the Secretary be paid a salary of $50.00 per annum payable semi-annually May 1st and Nov. 1st Carried unanimously

Complaint was read from E.C. Smith that Mr. Jas. Craig Jr. has been violating the By-Laws by entertaining in the Club House, residents of the city who are not members of the Club. It was resolved on motion that the Secretary be instructed to notify Mr. Craig in writing that these violations must cease and to call his attention to the sec. of the By-Laws which prohibits the same, as per sketch of letter drafted and adopted by the Board.

Adjourned.

Directors Meeting Aug. 2nd 1890

Present— Messrs— Frazer, Darby, Spencer, Hartwig, McCord, J. Potter, Richardson and Dunbar.

Committee on prices of drinks etc. being called upon for a report asked for more time which was granted them.

Secretary read a letter from Mr. G.S. Welch resigning his membership in the Club. on motion the letter was referred to the Vice President to report at some meeting previous to Nov. 1st 1890

Vice Pres. to report

After much discussion it was moved by Hartwig seconded by McCord that the new system of accounts, checks etc. as recommended by Committee appointed June 2nd be adopted and put in effect as soon as practicable. Carried

The following candidates were brought up for election. W.C. Brown Henry King Jr. & Raymond Darby non-resident. and they were unanimously elected Adjourned.

Directors Meeting 9/20/90

Present- Messrs. N. D. B. Motter, Joshua Motter, Jager, Darby, Hall, Spencer, McCord & Richardson

President Motter in Chair

J. D. Richardson Secy pro tem.

Resignation of Steward Neuhardt ~~was~~ tendered on account of another position being offered him in the east which he was desirous of accepting. it was moved by O. M. Spencer, that his resignation be accepted with regrets, and that the thanks of this Club be tendered him for the faithful and efficient manner in which he has discharged his duties while Steward of this Club, seconded by Dr. Darby and unanimously carried.

Moved by Mr. Motter and seconded by N. P. Hall that the Steward be allowed a credit of $9.00 to cover a loss by theft on the evening of the last annual election carried.

Moved by J. H. McCord seconded by J. D. Richardson that the

president — be empowered to make all necessary arrangements for providing the club with a new steward carried

Moved by O. M Spencer seconded by J. H. McCord that J. D Richards and J. M. Hazen be appointed a committee of two to check out the steward, carried

Adjourned.

Directors Meeting Oct. 24th 90

Present, N. D. B. Motter, Josh. Motter, Spencer Yager, Darby, Van Natta, Dunbar

Mr. C. M. Hicklin having been duly proposed, seconded and posted for the requisite time was elected a member

Mr. C. R. Mott, of St Louis having been duly proposed seconded and posted was elected a non-resident member.

The resignation of Mr. C. S. Doolittle on account of his having town was accepted.

Mr. H. M. Gallichs having notified the Secy that he did not care to accept his election it was ordered that his name be dropped from the list of membership.

Adjourned.

Directors Meeting November 15th 90

Present Messrs. N.D.B. Motter, Yager Spencer, McCord, Richardson, Hartwig and Dunbar

Mr. C.R. Berry having been duly proposed seconded, and passed, was elected a member.

Moved by Spencer seconded and carried that action at previous meeting accepting Mr. Doolittle's resignation be rescinded, and that he become a non-resident member, this on Mr. Doolittle's request.

The resignation of Mr. E. McNeil as a director having been read it was moved by Hartwig seconded by Spencer and carried that the same be accepted. It was then moved by Hartwig seconded by McCord and carried that Mr. N.P. Robinson Jr. be elected a director to succeed Mr. McNeil.

Adjourned

Directors Meeting Nov. 29th 90

Present Messrs. W. D. B. Motter, Harding Robinson McCord, Richardson Spencer & Dunbar.

Messrs. S. Walker of Leavenworth and G. R. Owen of St Joseph were duly elected to membership the former as a non resident member

The resignations of Messrs. J. H. J. C. and Edson Gregg were read and on motion accepted

Adjourned

Directors Meeting Dec. 12th 1890

Present —

T. F. Van Natta acting as Secretary pro tem
Reading of Minutes of last meeting was on motion dispensed with

The name of Wm. Grant K. Bennett having been duly proposed seconded and posted for the required length of time he was balloted for and elected a member.

Meeting adjourned.

Directors Meeting

Feb. 9th 1891

Present –
W. S. B. Mottu, J. M. Hazen, Joshua Mott
J. F. Van Natta, J. D. Richardson,
W. P. Hall, J. H. McCord.

President in the chair,
J. H. McCord appointed Sec'y pro tem.

Mr. S. A. Woodson being proposed
for a member, and it appearing
that his name had been duly
posted etc. he was on ballot
duly elected.

Meeting adjourned.

Present-

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Messrs. J. O. Fairleigh and
R. M. Shepard having been
proposed for membership
and it appearing that their
names had been duly posted
as required by the By-laws
they were all ballot declared
elected.

The resignation of Mrs. F. McVeigh
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BENTON CLUB

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ANNUAL REPORT OF SECRETARY AND TREASURER FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 1ST, 1891.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BENTON CLUB;

YOUR SECRETARY AND TREASURER HEREWITH SUBMITS STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL OPERATIONS OF THE CLUB FOR THE YEAR ENDING APRIL 1ST, 1891.

CASH ON HAND APRIL 1ST, 1890,		$ 185.81
CASH RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR FROM		
MEMBERSHIPS,	1500.00	
DUES,	5022.45	
RESTURANT,	4489.23	
WINES AND LIQUORS,	3294.05	
CIGARS,	974.55	
RENT OF ROOMS,	678.25	
BILLIARDS AND POOL,	330.25	
VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS,	550.00	
		$17,024.5
CASH EXPENDED DURING THE YEAR FOR		
RESTAURANT,	$4939.74	
WINES AND LIQUORS,	2133.69	
CIGARS,	75[illegible].28	
SALARIES,	4552.40	
FUEL,	979.45	
GAS,	415.00	
WATER,	48.25	
PRINTING AND STATIONERY,	34.75	
CARRIED FORWARD,	$13860.56	~~$17,024.5~~

2.

BROUGHT FORWARD,	$13860.56	~~$17,024.59~~
✓ INTEREST,	1050.00	
✓ TAXES,	438.23	
BILLS PAYABLE,	674.60	
INCIDENTALS,	800.18	
✓ REPAIRS ON BUILDING,	100.00	
PROFIT AND LOSS,	95.00	
CASH ON HAND APRIL 1ST, 1891,	6.02	
		$17,024.59

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TRIAL BALANCE

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APRIL 1ST, 1891.

DR.			CR.	
TO GEO. B. DUNBAR, Treasurer,	$	6 02	BY MEMBERSHIPS,	$8850 00
" INSURANCE,		7 50	" SEMI-ANNUAL DUES,	5312 63
" SALARIES,		5312 40	" BENTON CLUB HOUSE CO.,	7122 00
"GAS SERVICE,		580 85	" BILLS PAYABLE,	502 16
" WATER SERVICE,		60 45	" WINES AND LIQUORS,	1029 30
" PRINTING & STATIONERY		36 75	" CIGARS,	607 24
" FURNITURE & FITTINGS,		8085 74	" ROOMS,	1000 45
" RESTAURANT,		756 75	" POOL,	446 65
INCIDENTALS,		1281 27	" VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS	1775 00
" INTEREST,		1586 06		
" TAXES,		560 45		
" PROFIT AND LOSS,		7064 94		
" REPAIRS ON BUILDING,		100 00		
" FUEL,		1206 25		
		26645 43		26645 43

UNPAID BILLS ON HAND APRIL 1ST, 1890 OVER AND ABOVE WHAT THERE WERE FUNDS TO MEET, ... $187.77

UNPAID BILLS ON HAND APRIL 1ST, 1891 OVER AND ABOVE WHAT THERE WERE FUNDS TO MEET, ... 602.47

3.

THE STOCK OF WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS ON HAND APRIL 1ST, 1890 WAS VALUED AS FOLLOWS:

WINES AND LIQUORS,	$1124.48	
CIGARS,	71.41	
		$1195.89

THE STOCK OF SAME ON HAND APRIL 1ST, 1891 IS VALUED AS FOLLOWS:

WINES AND LIQUORS,	$ 600.60	
CIGARS,	88.17	
		$ 688.77

THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CLUB AT THIS DATE CONSISTS OF,

CHARTER MEMBERS,	30
ASSOCIATE " ,	66
NON-RESIDENT " ,	11
TOTAL,	107

DURING THE PAST YEAR WE HAVE LOST,

CHARTER MEMBERS,	6
ASSOCIATE " ,	9
NON-RESIDENT " ,	2
TOTAL,	17

DURING SAME PERIOD WE HAVE GAINED,

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS,	12
NON-RESIDENT " ,	5
TOTAL,	17

THE TOTAL MEMBERSHIP OF THE CLUB IS THEREFORE IS NOW EXACTLY THE SAME AS IT WAS A YEAR AGO, ALTHOUGH THERE IS A SLIGHTLY GREATER PROPORTION OF NON-RESIDENT MEMBERS.

Geo. B. Ruhan

ST. JOSEPH, MO. APRIL 15, 1891. SECRETARY & TREASURER.

Annual Meeting

April 10th 1891

C. M. Hafer vice President in the absence of the President called the meeting to order at 8 1/2 P.M. On call of the roll developed the fact that there were 43 members present. The minutes of the last meeting were read and on motion approved. There being no Executives reports to be heard the Chairman announced General business to be next in order.

The question was then risen as to the method to be followed in voting on the amendments to the Constitution which have been printed and distributed by the Secretary.

It was moved by Judge Spencer that a ring vote be taken. Moved by Judge Hall seconded by C. M. Reinoehl Jr. to amend that the vote be taken by ballot. The motion to amend prevailed.

It was moved by Judge Ramsey seconded by Judge Hall that proxies be allowed after some discussion the point of order was raised that the motion was out of order, and same was then withdrawn Moved and seconded that the vote on the amendments be taken at the same time and in the same manner as the vote for directors. Point of order was raised that motion was out of order - sustained.
The Chair then appointed C. A. Walker and F. H. McCord as tellers for the vote on the Amendments and balloting was at once commenced which tellers were counting the ballots the Chair appointed H. G. Buckingham C. F. Hathway and J. J. McDonald as tellers for the vote on Directors and polls were at once opened and kept open for an hour.
The announcement of the vote on the Amendments showed

them to have all been cast the ballot in Riceville result in the election of the following ticket

For Directors

W. D. B. MOTTER

JOHN M. FRAZER

W. A. P. MacDONALD

H. R. W. HARTWIG

JOHN D. RICHARDSON

W. P. HALL

T. F. VAN NATTA

A. NUNNING

J. H. McCORD

O. M. SPENCER

W. C. BROWN

C. H. DARBY

VINTON PIKE

Benton Club

FOR DIRECTORS

CHARTER MEMBERS

W. D. B. Motter,

J. D. Richardson,

S. M. Nave,

C. C. Burnes,

H. R. W. Hartwig,

I. T. Hosea,

J. S. Lemon,

J. N. Burnes, Jr.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

T. J. Chew,

E. C. Smith,

Geo. B. Dunbar,

J. H. McCord,

John I. McDonald.

April 15, 1891.

BENTON CLUB.

ST. JOSEPH, MO., April 8th, 1891.

TO MEMBERS:

The following proposed amendments to the Constitution will be offered at the next annual meeting on April 15th, 1891:

Present Reading.

ARTICLE IV.

Annual Meeting.

SECTION 1. There shall be an annual meeting of the Club at the Club House, at St. Joseph, Missouri, on the third Wednesday of April, at 8 o'clock p.m.

ARTICLE VI.

Directors.

SEC. 2. There shall be appointed by the President, from the Board of Directors, two committees: An Executive Committee, composed of six members and the President, of which the President shall be chairman; and a House Committee, consisting of six members of the Board of Directors, of which the Vice-President shall be chairman.

ARTICLE VII.

Powers of Committees.

SECTION 1. The Executive Committee shall have general supervision over the business affairs of the Club; it shall make all purchases for the Club, except of literature and supplies; it shall hire and discharge the help, supervise the accounts of the Steward, and attend to the financial affairs of the Club.

SEC. 2. The House Committee shall have charge of the Club House, and shall provide rules and regulations for its government; it shall receive and investigate all complaints made in writing and signed by members of the Club, and when in its judgment it shall be necessary, report the same to the Board of Directors; it shall direct the purchase of the literature and supplies, and attend generally to all matters of the Club other than its business affairs.

Proposed Amendment.

ARTICLE IV.

Annual Meeting.

SECTION 1. There shall be an annual meeting of the Club, at the Club House, at St. Joseph, Missouri, on the *first* Wednesday of April, at 8 o'clock p. m.

ARTICLE VI.

Directors.

SEC. 2. The Board of Directors shall at their first meeting after the annual meeting elect by ballot from their number, three standing committees, each to consist of a chairman and two other members, to be known as follows:

The Executive Committee,

The House Committee,

The Committee on Rules.

These committees shall hold office during the pleasure of the directory, and the action and authority of each shall at all times be subject to the supervision and control of the Board of Directors.

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SEC. 3. The Committee on Rules shall make and enforce suitable rules for the guidance of members and shall have charge of all matters pertaining to the conduct of members.

Present Reading.

ARTICLE IX.

Non-Resident Members.

SEC. 5. * * * * * * Non-resident members shall pay only half the regular admission fee in force at the time of their admission, and one-half of the annual dues. * * * * *

Initiation Fee and Annual Dues.

SEC. 10. The admission fee shall be such amount as shall be decided upon by the Board of Directors, but they shall not have the power to name a lower sum that One Hundred Dollars for resident members. The annual dues shall be Fifty Dollars, payable semi-annually in advance, on the first day of May and November of each year. New members shall pay at the same rate for the time after they shall be admitted, beginning with the calendar month next succeeding their election.

ARTICLE XV.

ARTICLE XVI.

Proposed Amendment.

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Initiation Fees and Annual Dues.

SEC. 10. The admission fee for resident members shall be *Fifty Dollars, until the total resident membership of the Club reaches One Hundred and Fifty*, and thereafter shall be such amount as may be decided upon by the Board of Directors, but not less that One Hundred Dollars. The annual dues shall be Fifty Dollars, payable semi-annually in advance, on the first day of May and November of each year. New members shall pay at the same rate for the time after they shall be admitted.

ARTICLE XV.

Penalties.

SECTION 1. The penalty for violation of any article of this Constitution, or of any rule of the Club, unless otherwise specially provided for, shall be fixed by the Board of Directors, and the member guilty of the violation shall be at once notified in writing, by the Secretary, of the penalty so fixed.

Will become ARTICLE XVI.

Will become ARTICLE XVII.

The above is respectfully submitted in accordance with provisions of Article XVI of the Constitution.

GEO. B. DUNBAR,
Secretary.

Benton Club

Directors Meeting.

St. Joseph, April, 18, 1891.

In compliance with the constitution, the Directors - elected at the annual meeting of the members, held the 15th inst., - met at the Club House at 7:30 P. M. this day.

There were present, Messrs. Frazer, Spencer, Richardson, Brown, McCord, Darby and Pike.

Mr. O. M. Spencer was elected temporary chairman and Vinton Pike Secretary of this meeting.

On motion the rules were suspended and Mr. W. D. B. Motter was elected President by acclamation.

Mr. James H. McCord was nominated and unanimously elected Vice-President. The President being absent, the Vice President took the chair and presided over the further proceedings of the Board.

Vinton Pike was nominated and elected Secretary and Treasurer.

The name of Mr. W. C. Price was presented for election as a non-resident member of the Club, and it appearing that he had been regulary proposed, seconded and bulletined. A ballot was taken, and Mr. Price was unanimously elected.

The Vice President requested, and was given leave to defer for the present the announcement of Executive and House committees.

On motion the Board adjourned, subject to call of the President.

16 May 1891

Meeting of the Board of Directors of Benton Club, held this 16th day of May, 1891, at the Club Rooms, St. Joseph, Mo.

Present of the directors, Messrs. Brown, Darby, Frazer, Hall, Hartwig, McCord, McDonald, Richardson, Spencer and Pike.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The resignations of McArthur, a non-resident member, and the resignations of the following resident members, C. B. France, A. P. Busey, Dr. Thos. H. Doyle and H. M. Ramey were presented to the Board. On motion the resignations of McArthur, France, Busey and Ramey were respectively accepted, and the resignation of Dr. Thos. H. Doyle was referred to H. R. W. Hartwig.

The resignation of W. D. B. Motter as president and director was read and on motion, accepted.

It was moved and carried that the Board proceed to the election of a president in place of Mr. Motter resigned. The rules were suspended, and Mr. Jno. M. Frazer was unanimously elected president of the Club.

It was moved and carried that the Club proceed to elect a director in place of Mr. Motter resigned. Mr. Sam'l M. Nave and J. W. Walker were respectively placed in nomination. A ballot being had, resulted as follows: Nave received 5 votes, and Walker 6. Before the vote was declared by the chairman it was moved and carried that Mr. Walker be declared to be unanimously elected.

A communication from Mr. Motter, late President, enclosing two letters from Mr. A. D. Vories, was, on motion, referred to a committee consisting of Messrs. Spencer, Hall & Pike.

Adjourned.

23 May 1891

Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club held this 23d day of May 1891 at the Club rooms, St. Joseph, Mo.

Present: of the directors, McCord, McDonald, Brown, Hunning, Richardson, Spencer & Pike.

Mr. Spencer was selected temporary chairman, the President and Vice-President being absent.

The name of John H. Sturgis was presented for resident membership; and it appearing that he had been regularly proposed, seconded and bulletined, a ballot was had which resulted in his unanimous election.

Adjourned.

July 2. 1891 Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club, held this 2d day of July 1891 at the Club Rooms, St Joseph Mo. called by the President, due notice thereof having been given.

Present of the Directors:

Messrs. Frazer, Daily, Van Natta, Spencer, Hall, McCord, Harberg, Richardson & Pike.

Minutes of the last two meetings were read and approved.

The resignation of William Hyde, resident member, was read, and accepted.

William S. Fairleigh, a former member of the Club, having been regularly proposed for reelection to resident membership he was, on motion, unanimously reelected upon conditions prescribed by Section 11 art IX of the Constitution, it being found that he had been duly seconded and posted.

The name of Mr L. M. Smith was presented for election to resident membership, and it appearing that he had been regularly proposed, seconded and posted, a ballot was had and he was duly elected.

The Treasurer reported that Mr Lemon Curator, had made demand of the

Beacon Club House Company for four hundred ~~dollars~~ forty dollars semi annual rental due upon the lower hotel Company, which this Club is expected to pay, and asked instructions from this Board with respect thereto. On motion, the Secretary was directed to confer with Mr W. D. Mallett about the Claim, and act in the matter in accordance with his advice.

Two communications from Mr Isaac T. Morse were read, relating to his current dues to this Club, and the Secretary was directed to reply thereto, that in the opinion of this Board, his interest in, and membership of, the Beacon Club House has not affected by the continuance or discontinuance of his membership in this Club; that his misfortunes are deeply regretted, and that if he still feels unable to meet his dues, as a member, he may be relieved of dues accruing May 1. 1871. and his resignation will be accepted, if he so desires, as of that date.

Adjourned

St. Joseph, Mo. Aug. 24th, 1921.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club held at the rooms of the Club this day at 3 P. M.

Present: Frazer, Darby, McCord, Manning, VanMatre, Hall, Walker & Pike.

The meeting was called to order by the President.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported that there will probably be a deficiency of funds to meet all current liabilities of the Club before collection of dues payable Nov. 1, 1921, and asked the Board to consider ways and means to provide therefor.

On motion it was ordered that the Treasurer arrange with the Bank carrying our account, to over-draw for sufficient funds to meet such liabilities, not for carrying such overdraft till payment of November dues.

Adjourned.

St Joseph Mo. Aug. 29. 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club was held at the Club Rooms this day at 8. P.M.

Present; Darby, Hall, Manning, Richardson, Spencer, Walker and Pike.

Mr. Spencer was chosen Chairman and presided at the meting.

Reading of minutes of last meting was, on motion, dispensed with.

The Secretary presented the name of Ben. J. Woodson a candidate for membership, and it appearing that he had been regularly proposed, seconded and posted, a ballot was had, and Mr Woodson was unanimously elected.

The Secretary also presented the name of Thomas Fullerton, a candidate for membership, and it appearing that he had been regularly proposed, seconded and posted, a ballot was had, and Mr Fullerton was unanimously elected.

Mr Geo. B. Dunbar, having been a non-resident of the City & County, since May 1. 1891. the Secretary was directed to class him as a non-resident member from said date. Adjourned

St Joseph Sept 12, 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club held at the Club Rooms this day at 8 p. m.

Present. McCord, Darby, Richardson McDonald Walker, Hall & Pike

Mr McCord Vice Pres. in the Chair.

The Secretary presented the name of Dr. Barton Pills, a candidate for membership and it appearing that he has been regularly proposed, seconded and balloted, a ballot was had, and he was unanimously elected

A proposition from the St Joseph Light and Fuel Co was received, and on motion referred to the next meeting of the Board

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

Adjourned

Benton Club. St Joseph Oct 10. 1891

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club was held at the Club Rooms this day at 8 o'clock P.M.

Present;

Mess. Fraser, Hall, Brown, Richardson, Darby, Spencer, Kortwig and Pike.

The proposition made by the St Joseph Light and Fuel Co. referred to this meeting, was on motion laid over till the next meeting of the Board.

The Secretary presented the name of Mellon Foote Jr., a candidate for membership and it appearing that he has been regularly proposed, seconded and balloted, a ballot was had, and he was unanimously elected.

On motion, the House Committee was directed purchase necessary livery for the servant of the Club.

Adjourned —

Benton Club, Nov. 9, 1891.

A meeting of the Board of Directors called by the President, was held at the Club Rooms this day at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present:

Frazer, Richardson, Darby, McDonald, Munning, Walker, Hartwig and Pike.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Hartwig, to whom was referred as a committee, the resignation of Dr. Doyle, asked for further time to report, which was granted.

S. E. Crance was reported as a candidate for resident membership, and it appearing that he had been regularly proposed, seconded and posted, a ballot was had, which resulted in his election.

Charles F. Enright was presented as a candidate for resident membership ; but before a vote was taken, his candidacy was withdrawn.

Adjourned.

Benton Club, Nov. 21st, 1899.

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors was held at the Club Rooms this date, at 8 o'clock P. M.

Present:

Frazer, Darby, McDonald, Brown, Hall, Spencer, VanNatta, McCord and Pike.

The name of C. N. Comstock was reported as a candidate for resident membership, and it appearing that he had been regularly proposed, seconded and posted, a ballot was had which resulted in his election.

The name of W. T. VanBrunt was also reported as a candidate for resident membership, and it appearing that he had been regularly proposed, seconded and posted, a ballot was had which resulted in his election.

The name of R. M. Batchellor was also reported as a candidate for resident membership, and it appearing that he had been regularly proposed, seconded and posted, a ballot was had, which resulted in his election.

The resignation of E. B. McNeill was reported to the Board, and on motion accepted with regrets.

A resignation was also received from F. L. Sommers, requesting his name to be dropped from the roll of membership because of his absence from the city. The Secretary was directed to communicate with him on the subject, and call his attention to the provision of the Rules dispensing with payment of dues during the absence of members from the state, and requesting him to continue his membership, under the provisions of said Rules.

The resignations of Jas. N. Burnes, Jr., J. C. Fairleigh, and Milton Tootle, Jr., were read, and on motion, referred to Judge Spencer to report at the next meeting, to which time consideration of said resignations is postponed.

The minutes of the last meeting were, on motion, approved, as read.

Adjourned:

Boston Club March 19, 1892

A meeting of the Board of Directors held this day at the Room of the Club. Present.

Frazer, Walker, Nunning Darby
Hall Richardson & Pike.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and, approved, with the exception of the action recorded on resignation of E. B. McNeil which is stricken from said minutes.

The name of Samuel E Rigg was presented as a candidate for resident membership and it appearing that he has been regularly proposed seconded & posted, a ballot was had. which resulted in his unanimous election.

Adjourned

Burton Club April 9. 1892.

A meeting of the directors held this day were present:

Brown Darby Hartwig Hall McCord Running McDonald Richardson and Pike.

Mr. Hartwig was chosen temporary chairman and presided.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The name of Jas. T. Gardiner of Albany N.Y. was reported for non resident membership and it appearing that he had been regularly proposed seconded and posted a ballot was had which resulted in his unanimous election.

The name of J.P. Pike Jr. was reported as a candidate for resident membership, and it appearing that he had been regularly proposed seconded and posted a ballot was had which resulted in his unanimous election.

The name of F. M. Sanger of New

York City was reported as a candidate for non resident membership. and it appearing that he had been regularly proposed seconded and posted. a ballot was had and he was unanimously elected.

Adjourned

A meeting of the Board of directors held this 16th day of April 1892. at the Rooms of the Club.

There were present:
Messrs. Fraser, Fleming Darley McDonell, Richardson, McCord Spencer and Pike

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary reported settlement made by him as Treasurer with Mr. Jno. B. Brady of the Club's indebtedness to him on bills payable and open account, and that such settlement was made provisionally, and subject to his claim for interest of $47.75.

On motion it was ordered that Mr. Brady be allowed said amount and be paid by Steward as Treasurer out of any funds, which may have for to appropriate for that purpose.

The following resolution was introduced by

Resolved, that the thanks of this

Board are tendered Mr. John B. Brady for his many substantial favors extended the Club, and for the ~~many substantial favors extended the Club~~ material assistance he has given those interested with its management, that is entitled to the especial gratitude of members; and the Directors believe their official and public expression of this obligation to him will have the unanimous concurrence of the Club.

On motion the resolution was adopted.

Mr. McDonald introduced the following resolution;

Resolved that a vote of thanks be tendered Mr Vinton Pike for his efficient, diligent and faithful services as secretary of this Club and

Whereas it appears that the Secretary has paid into the Treasury full annual dues for the past year with out the knowledge of this Board and that this Board intended

to remit there dues, therefore be it Resolved, that the privileges of the Club be hereby extended to Mr Fenton Pike without further dues until May 1. 1893.

Seconded and carried

Mr Spencer moved that a vote of thanks be tendered Mr. John M. Frazer President, for the courtesy, and fairness with which he has presided over the deliberations of the Board and for the efficiency with which he has discharged the duties of his office.

The motion was seconded by Mr Hastings who put the motion, adopted.

Mr Macdonald moved that a vote of thanks be also tendered Mr James H. McCord for the efficiency with which he has discharged the duties of Vice President.

Seconded and Carried.

Adjourned

BENTON CLUB.

Report of the Financial Affairs of the Benton Club,

for the year ending April 1,1892.

Reciepts.		Expenditures.	
Cash on hand April 1-1891,	$6.02,	Restaurant,	$5251.75,
Memberships,	$1200.00	Wines & Liquors,	2547.6[illegible]
Dues,	4808.55,	Cigars,	1819.6[illegible]
Restaurant,	5255.20,	Salaries,	4183.00
Wines & Liquors,	3869.65,	Fuel,	[illegible].65
Cigars,	1336.80,	Gas,	[illegible].10
Rent of Rooms,	945.00	Water	[illegible].62
Billiards & Pool,	278.70,	Print'g & Stat	[illegible].75
Exchange,	.50,	Furn. & Fitting	[illegible]
Balance	4.60,	Interest,	[illegible]
		Taxes,	[illegible]
		Bills Payable,	[illegible].75
		Incindentals,	[illegible].85
		Repairs on Bldg,	45.0[illegible]
		Exchange,	.30
	$17,682.82		$17,682.82

BENTON CLUB.

Available Assets.		Current Liabilities.	
Wines & Liqours,	$611.35,	Current Bills,	$2020.79
Cigars,	145.17,		
Memberships,	150.00	Due Bank,	4.60
Dues,	252.25,		
Cash in Stewards' hands,	357.68,		
	$1709.35		$2025.39
	Net Liabilities,		$316.44

The membership of the Club, consists of,

Charter Members,	87,
Associate, "	72,
Non resident,	14,
	113

During the past year, membership has decreased as follows:

Associate members,	6,
Non resident,	3,
	9

The club has gained in membership,

Associate,	12,	
Non resident,	3	15,

A net gain of 6 associate members.

Secretary.

Benton Club

St Joseph April 20/92.

The members of the Benton Club met at the Club House this day at 8:30 P.M. the President. Rev. Jno M. Frazer in the chair; The Secretary called the roll and reports 46 members present.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with.

The Secretary & Treasurer read his report of the financial affairs of the Club for the year ending April 1. 1892 which was accepted and approved

The election of Directors being then in order the President appointed James A. McCord, Henry E Buckingham and P. A Buchman Inspectors of Election.

Before the Election was proceeded with the Secretary reported that certain amendments to the Constitution proposed to be offered at this meeting had been duly read by him, printed and served

upon each member of the Club.

After some discussion over the manner of voting upon the said proposed amendment Mr E. Sweet withdrew the proposal heretofore proposed by him, which had been proposed & printed and served upon members as reported by the Secretary. Said amendment proposed to insert in the first line of article XIV of the Constitution as the same is printed on page 18 of the Printed Constitution after the word "grounds" and before the words "but in any" the following words "except to an entertainment given in a private dining room" Mr Sweet's motion was seconded, and he addressed the Club in support of the same. A vote being taken the amendment was lost.

The polls for the election of Directors were then opened and remained open for one hour, at the end of which time the votes were counted, and the following named gentlemen received a majority of all the votes cast at said election, and were declared Elected, viz.

Charles Meinke, that is members of the Bunker Club Thomas Corrigan

John S. Lemon
Thos. F. Van Valla
S. A. Walker
H R W Hartwig
James N. Burner Jr.
John D Brady
Samuel H. Hall
Joshua Holter.

Associate members.

W. le. Brown
John J McDonald
A H McDonald
James H. McCord
C. H. Comstock

The President thereupon declared said named gentlemen elected Directors for the ensuing year

Adjourned. Sine die

Sinton Peke
Secretary

Benton Club

Directors Meeting

St Joseph April 23/92

In compliance with the Constitution the Directors elected at the annual meeting of the members of Benton Club held the 20th inst met at the Club House at 8.20 PM this day: present Messrs. Brady, Lemon, McCord, Hartwig, Van Natta, Naeter, McDonald, Johnd Burnes, Brown, Matter and Comstock

Mr John D Lemon called the meeting to order and appointed Messrs SA Naeter and John D McDonald tellers to take the vote of the directors for permanent officers - Mr C McComstock acted as Secretary.

Upon taking the vote of the directors the following officers were found to be elected for the ensuing year

President Jas M McCord

Vice President W C Brown

Secy & Treas C McComstock

There being no further business before the meting it was then adjourned

C McComstock Secy

Burton Club

The president afterwards noted the fact that he had appointed the following Committees for the next year

Executive Committee

Messrs. J. A. McCord, Chairman; Jno D Lemon; Thos F. Van Natta; S A Walker; Jas M Burnes Jr; D. M. Nor and John L McDonald.

House Committee:

Messrs. McBroom Chairman, H R Wartmg. J. B Brody, Joshua Matter; As McDonald and C W Comstock

St.Joseph,Mo.,May 14,1892.

enton Club,

City.

irector's Meeting:-

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 P.M. by the President. resent,-Messrs. James Mc.Cord,J.B.Brady,S.A.Walker,John I.Mc.Donld,A.H.Mc.Donald,S.M.Nave,W.C.Brown and C.N.Comstock. On motion, he reading of the minutes of the previous meeting,postponed. etters of resignation were read and accepted from E.L.Marney and .C.Hannah,and one from G.W.Clawson asking to be changed from a esident to a non-resident member. Request granted. The following names were presented for election as resident members:- J.W.Lancaster,R.T.Davis,Jr.,and John P.Wax,and it appearing that they had been regularly proposed,seconded and bulletined,ballots were taken which resulted in their election.

Adjourned.

C.N. Comstock

Secretary.

Benton Club.

Director's Meeting.

St.Joseph,Mo.,May 31,1892.

The meeting was called to order by the President at 8:15 P.M. Present,-Messrs.J.H.Mc.Cord,James N.Burnes,T.F.Van Natta,John S. Lemon,J.B.Brady,Joshua Motter,S.M.Nave,J.I.Mc.Donald and C.N.Comstock. On motion,the reading of the minutes of the two previous meetings was postponed. The names of Mr.Hugo Grebel and Mr.A.B. Weekley were presented for election as resident members,they having been regularly proposed,seconded and bulletined,ballots were taken which resulted in their election.

Adjourned.

C.N. Comstock,

Secretary.

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Benton Club.

Director's Meeting.

St.Joseph,Mo.,October 15,1892.

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 P.M. by the President. Present,-Messrs.James F.Mc.Cord,Joshua Motter,S.M.Nave,James N.Burnes, W.C.Brown,S.A.Walker,J.B.Brady,T.F.Van Natta and C.N.Comstock. The President called a meeting of the Directors for Monday,October 17th, 1892 at 7:30 P.M.,after which the meeting was adjourned.

C.N.Comstock

Secretary.

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The meeting was called to order at 7.40 pm by the president present Messrs Johnstone. A.H McDonald. Joshua Matter, Jas H McCord, J B Brody, F E Van Matta, John J McDonald, J A Walker S M Nash, and Duncan Stott. The minutes of the four previous meetings were read and approved.

It was moved by Mr Walker and seconded by Mr John J McDonald that the president appoint a committee of three to see personally all resident members of the club and collect subscriptions of not less than 25 from each member, such subscriptions to be used for the benefit of the club. Motion carried.

The following motion was made by Mr Nash and seconded by Mr Walker: Resolved that the Executive Committee be authorized to grant the use of the club lockers on every day during the week for

luncheons, dinners and suppers whenever proper service can be had. Motion carried.

On motion it was then resolved that all members owning bills to the club and not settling them by the 10th day of the month following the one in which they were incurred shall have their names posted with the amounts due until paid.

The following motion was then made seconded and carried. Resolved that any member of the club delinquent in the payment of his semi-annual dues on the 10th of June or the 10th of December respectively, shall be posted until such dues are paid.

There being no further business before the board the meeting was on motion adjourned

Secretary

BENTON CLUB.

DIRECTORS' MEETING.

St.Joseph,Mo.,December 24",1892.

Meeting was called to order at 8:30 P.M. by the President. Present,Messrs.James F.Mc.Cord,S.A.Walker,S.M.Nave,John S.Lemon,A.F.Mc.Donald,J.B.Brady,H.R.W.Hartwig and C.N.Comstock.

The name of Chas.A.Grasty of Baltimore was presented for election as a non-resident member. It appearing that he had been regularly proposed,seconded and bulletined,- a ballot was taken which resulted in his election. It was moved by Mr.Nave,and seconded by Mr.Brady that the Sec'y be instructed to notify all members whose names had been posted for non-payment of dues of such posting.

Motion carried.

Moved by Mr.Brady and seconded by Mr.Walker that the name of Mr.John S.Patee be dropped from the membership of the Club.

Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr.Nave and seconded by Mr.Walker that the steward be notified to refuse credit to any member of the Club after his name shall have been posted for non-payment of the steward's account until such account shall be paid.

Motion carried.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Adjourned.

C.N.Comstock

Sec'y & Treasurer.

BENTON CLUB.

DIRECTORS' MEETING.

St.Joseph,Mo.,January 31",1893.

Meeting called to order by the President. Present,Messrs.J.F. Mc.Cord,J.S.Lemon,H.R.W.Hartwig,A.F.Mc.Donald,S.M.Nave,S.A.Walker and J.N.Burnes,Jr.

The name of Mr.Charles F.Enright was reported as a candidate for

resident membership, and as it appeared he had been regularly proposed, seconded and posted a ballot was had which resulted in his unanimous election.

Adjourned.

Jas. N. Burnes Jr.
Sec'y, Pro tem.

BENTON CLUB.

DIRECTORS' MEETING.

St. Joseph, Mo., February 25th, 1893.

Present, Messrs. J.F.Mc.Cord, Jno.S.Lemon, Alex Mc.Donald, Jno.I.Mc. Donald, Joshua Motter, S.M.Nave and C.N.Comstock.

Postponed the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting.

The name of Dr.E.S.Garner was proposed for membership. He having been posted the regular time,--a vote was taken which resulted in his unanimous election.

Adjourned.

C.N. Comstock
Secretary & Treasurer.

BENTON CLUB.

DIRECTORS' MEETING.

St. Joseph, Mo., April 11th, 1893.

Meeting was held at 7:30 P.M. Present, Messrs. F.R.W.Hartwig, J.B. Brady, John I.Mc.Donald, J.F.Mc.Cord, Joshua Motter, A.F.Mc.Donald, S.M. Nave and C.N.Comstock.

It was moved by Mr.Brady and duly seconded that a committee of three be appointed by the President to select a ticket for Directors for the next year, such ticket to be presented at the next meeting of the Board of Directors, and if approved by them to be printed and distributed as

the ticket suggested by the present board.

Mr.Nave moved and the motion was seconded by Mr.Joshua Motter to amend the above motion to the effect that the meeting go into a committee of the whole and make up a ticket. The amendment was lost and the original motion being then voted upon was carried. The president appointed Messrs.S.A.Walker, John I.Mc.Donald and H.R.W.Hartwig on the committee.

Adjourned.

Secretary & Treasurer.

BENTON CLUB.

DIRECTORS' MEETING.

St.Joseph,Mo.,April 15th,1893.

Present,Messrs.S.A.Walker,H.R.W.Hartwig,J.B.Brady,J.H.Mc.Cord, Jas.N.Burnes,Jr.,John I.Mc.Donald,Alex Mc.Donald,John S.Lemon and C.N.Comstock.

The committee consisting of Messrs.H.R.W.Hartwig,S.A.Walker and John I.Mc.Donald appointed at last meeting to select a ticket as one suggested by the present board for the next Board of Directors,reported the following named gentlemen:-

Charter members.

W.E.Hosea.
Jas.N.Burnes,Jr.
J.M.Frazer.
John S.Brittain.
Jno.B.Brady.
J.D.Richardson.
John S.Lemon.
J.W.Walker.

Associate members.

E.F.Hartwig.
Jno.F.Sturgis.
Geo.B.Dunbar.
Henry George.
Milton Tootle.

The report was accepted.

Mr.Brady introduced a motion which the necessity of the Sec'y bids him to record in full:-resolving that the Board tender a vote of thanks to the Sec'y & Treasurer for the efficient and faithful manner in which he has discharged his duties as an officer of the Club.

Motion carried.

Mr.Walker introduced the following motion:-Resolved that the Sec'y be instructed to notify Mr.Mc.Kinney that his resignation will be received upon the payment by him to the Club of $25.00.

Carried.

Mr.Brady then moved and the motion was seconded and carried that Mr.S.I.Smith be classed as a non-resident member for the year and had ending May 1st, 1893, and the Sec'y notify him of such action and he be requested to pay non-resident dues for that length of time.

Adjourned.

Geo Bowdler

Secretary & Treasurer

Annual Report of Secretary & Treasurer for year ending April 1st, 1895.

Receipts.		Expenditures.	
Dues.	$4867.24	Over draft at bank Apr.1-92	$4.00
Memberships.	$ 700.00	Salaries.	$3880.00
Cigars.	$1620.30	Wines & Liquors.	$2934.43
Wines & Liquors	$3704.75	Cigars.	$1424.16
Pool & Billiards	$86.05	Water.	$56.15
Rooms.	$871.00	Fuel.	$549.77
Restaurant.	$5112.80	Restaurant.	$5607.89
Subscriptions.	$750.00	Gas.	$360.80
		Incidentals.	$1001.82
		Interest.	$1099.04
		Taxes.	$460.75
		Insurance.	$136.50
		Furniture & Fixtures.	$123.11
		Printing & Stationery.	$70.00
		Balance..	$2.52
	$17712.14		$17712.14

Assets.		Liabilities.	
Dues.	$262.50	Current bills.	$2895.74
Cigars.	$183.33		
Wines & Liquors.	$764.45		
Stewards accounts.	$400.65		
Cash with steward.	$65.97		
Cash in bank.	$2.52		
	$1678.42		
Net liabilities.	$1217.32		
	$2895.74		$2895.74

There has been a loss during the year of

Associate members	9
Non-resident members	2
	11

There has been a gain of associate members 6
Non-resident members 2
8

Thus the total loss of memberships during the year has been three associate members.

Present membership.

Charter members	27
Associate members	69
Non-resident members	13
	109

C. M. Comstock

Sec'y & Treasurer.

Annual Meeting. April 19",1893.

The meeting was called to order at 9:50 P.M. by the Vice-President,W.C.Brown. The Secretary called the roll of members and it was found that there were thirty members present.

The Secretary then read the minutes of the last annual meeting and there being no objection to them as read they were declared approved. There being no reports to be made from any standing or special committees the Chairman appointed the following named gentlemen as inspectors of election,and the polls were declared open for the election of a board of directors for the next year.

Inspectors,Messrs.A.F.Mc.Donald,J.O.Fairleigh and A.B.Weakley.

The polls were kept open one hour and at 10:10 P.M. they were closed and the directors as shown below were declared elected.

The Chairman appointed Judge O.M.Spencer and Major Bittinger a committee of two to draft appropiate resolutions in respect to the memory of Mr.W.E.Hosea. The following resolutions were then presented and unanimously adopted by the meeting.

WHEREAS, An All-wise Providence has called from among us our esteemed fellow-member and associate, William E. Hosea, in tender memory of the relations he sustained to us and the community in which he had so long resided, and in recognition of the loss this club and business circles have sustained, the stockholders of the Benton club, in annual meeting assembled, desire to give expression to their appreciation of his character.

They are grateful, first of all, that he was their fellow citizen; that he was one of them in thought and feeling; that he strove with them for the welfare and prosperity of the city of St. Joseph, which he loved as they love it. He came among us nearly a generation ago, poor and unknown, began his career in the humblest position and rose to the highest. Holding no public office, and wishing none, he exemplified the interest of the good citizen, who is earnest in well-doing and who is animated only by the desire to serve his kind. His loss to the city and community will be felt in every good work, in every field of usefulness. To the men who labored under him in business he was ever kind and generous, for hard experience had taught him the trials of the toiler who earns his bread by the sweat of his brow.

Resolved, That the members of this club knowing him thoroughly, learned to love him as a friend, for his kindness of heart, his unvarying truth and sincerity; and to respect and admire him as a man for his force of character, purity of purpose, ardent zeal and sagacity in business, and the sterling qualities of common sense and honesty, which were his marked characteristics.

Resolved, That in loving remembrance we bear testimony to the worth and record our admiration of his generous and unselfish character. The sympathy of this club is tender to his family, their bereavement [illegible]

Directors elected

CHARTER MEMBERS.

W. W. WHEELER. 4
M. A. REED. 4
J. M. FRAZER. 4
JNO. S. LEMON. 4
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JNO. B. BRADY. 4
J. D. RICHARDSON. 4
J. W. WALKER. 4

ASSOCIATE MEMBERS.

E. F. HARTWIG. 4
JNO. H. STURGIS. 4
GEO. B. DUNBAR. 4
HARRY L. GEORGE 4
MILTON TOOTLE. 4
W. P. Rotton 4

C. H. Bowers to Secy

Directors' Meeting, April 22nd/93

Present - Messrs N. N. Wheeler, Reed, Bagen Naar, Brady, Richardson, Walker, Hartwig, Sturgis, George, Foote and Dunbar.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Naar, and upon motion duly made and seconded, Mr. Reed was elected temporary Chairman - Mr. Dunbar temporary Secy. It having been announced that the first order of business was the election of a President, nominations for that office were called for.

Mr. J. M. Bagen was nominated for President by Mr. Hartwig seconded by Mr. George, and upon a vote being taken viva-voce was declared unanimously elected

Mr. J. H. Sturgis was nominated for Vice President by Mr. Naar seconded by Mr. Foote, and upon a vote being taken was declared unanimously elected

Mr. Geo. B. Dunbar was nominated for Secretary and Treasurer by Mr. Mann seconded by Mr. Gerry and upon a vote being taken was duly declared elected

After some informal discussion as to the financial condition of the Club, and the necessity for appointing a committee to raise voluntary subscriptions it was agreed to take no action of the kind until the Treasurer could furnish a comprehensive statement of the debts of the Club at the present time, with an estimate of the expenses for the coming year together with a statement of resources, such a statement the Treasurer was instructed to prepare and present together with a copy of the last Pay Roll at a meeting of the Board to be held on Saturday evening April 29th

There being no further business the meeting adjourned

Directors Meeting

April 29th 1893

Present.

Messrs. Hazen, Brady, George, Richardson, Hartwig, Lotte, Reid and Crumbaker.

The Secretary read the resignation of Mr. A. N. Schuster, which on motion was referred to the President as a committee of one with request that he see Mr. Schuster with a view to his withdrawing the same.

The resignation of Mr. W. C. Price ~~as~~ a non-resident member was read and on motion was accepted.

The Secretary presented the resignation of Mr. S. M. Nave as a member of the Board which on motion of Mr. George seconded by Mr. Hartwig was accepted.

After some discussion as to filling the vacancy caused by Mr. Nave's resignation, it was agreed to take no action for the present owing to the fact that

~~such~~ the Constitution does not grant to the Board ~~the power to fill such a vacancy~~ ~~any power to fill such a vacancy~~ ~~right of the Board~~ ~~Executive~~ Mr. Reed states that he would look up the statutes and report at the next meeting as to whether there was a statute which conferred this power.

The Treasurer being called upon for a statement in regard to the financial condition of the club presented some figures showing that there were unpaid bills on hand and past due to the amount of $2977.00 and assets in the way of unpaid dues etc to the amount of $629.50 a part of which could probably never be collected

It was moved and seconded that the President should give to each one of the Directors a list of names of Members to be seen and solicited for contributions to help the Club out of its present difficulty - Reports to be made at the next meeting of the Board on Saturday May 6th - This motion Carried. There being no further business the meeting adjourned

Directors Meeting May 6/93

Present. Messrs. Reid, Hastings, Lange, Yager, Brady, Richardson, Lemon, Cuban

After Calling of the roll and reading of the minutes of the previous meeting the President Called for reports from the different Directors upon progress made during the past week in getting subscriptions & voluntary contributions.

Messrs. Lange and Hastings reports and a discussion of their reports developed the fact that it would probably be better to drop the plan of raising by voluntary Contributions enough to pay the debt of the Club, and instead to send out a notice to all resident members Calling for a pro rata Contribution from each one.

The following resolution was then offered by Mr. Richardson seconded by Mr. Brady -

Resolved that ~~the~~ a Committee of three be appointed consisting

of the President, Secretary and Mr. Reed to draw up, print and distribute to all resident Members (except those who have recently subscribed $50.00 each) a letter calling upon each one to contribute $ ——— (amount to be determined by prorating the present indebtedness) to pay up the bills owed by the Club. Such letter to be in the form which seems best to the Committee this resolution carried.

The President reports that Mr. A. N. Schuster had withdrawn his resignation

The ~~Secretary~~ reports to the meeting the resignation of Mr. J. W Lancaster ~~which was duly accepted~~ which was referred to the President as a Committee of one to see Mr. Lancaster and try to get him to reconsider it.

The resignation of Mr. E. S. McCord was presented and the President agreed to see Mr. McCord and try to get him to become a non-resident member instead of resigning altogether.

Mr. Reed reported that he had examined the Statutes and found under which the Board was authorized to fill vacancies in its number caused by death or resignation.

Mr. Brady then nominated Mr. H. P. Robinson to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Nave. His nomination was seconded by Mr. Hartwig, and upon a vote being taken Mr. Robinson was declared elected.

The name of Mr. E. C. Dameron of St Louis was presented as a candidate for non-resident membership, it being shown that Mr. Dameron's name had been posted for the required length of time and other formalities observed, a ballot was taken resulting in his election.

The meeting then adjourned.

In accordance with resolution passed at meeting of May 6/93 following Cir. was sent out to 63 resident members.

BENTON CLUB.

St. Joseph, Mo., May 12, 1893.

TO MEMBERS:

The present Board of Directors of the Benton Club find that the Club has been conducted for the last two or three years at a loss, until at the time when the present Board were elected, the floating debt amounted to *$4031.61.* As the Club is an unincorporated association, this debt is a joint and several debt. Each member, therefore, in law stands responsible therefor. Hence each member should feel legally as well as morally bound to bear his pro rata share of said debt. Twenty-three of our members have subscribed fifty dollars each for the payment of this debt, leaving a balance of *$2881.61* unprovided for. It seems to be generally the opinion of the members that as the debt is the debt of all, all should and probably will cheerfully bear their equal share thereof. Recognizing this general sense of the Club, a pro rata division of this debt has been made among all the present resident members, except the twenty-three who have already subscribed as stated above. There being in all, eighty-six resident members, the share of each, exclusive of the twenty-three referred to above, is $45.75. Will you kindly remit that sum at your earliest convenience to GEO. B. DUNBAR, Treasurer of the Club. We do not feel like urging further than we have, that as the debt is a joint and several debt, it should be a matter of pride as well as duty to assist equally in its payment. It is the purpose of the Board during the coming year to keep expenses within our income.

By order of the Board,

JOHN M. FRAZER,
President.

GEO. B. DUNBAR,
Secretary.

Special Meeting May 20th 1893

Present.

Messrs. Frazer, Robinson, Reid, Hastings, Foote, Lange, Richardson and Dunbar.

After the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting, the resignation of Mr. J.S. McCord was taken up. The President stated that he had seen Mr. McCord and tried to induce him to remain a non-resident member, but without success. It was then moved by Mr. Lange and seconded by Mr. Robinson that Mr. McCord's resignation be accepted. This resolution carried.

The Secretary then presented a communication from Mr. Henry King tendering his resignation, and also letters of resignation from W.G. Buckingham, G.G. Parry & Thos. Edwards.

After full discussion it was moved by Mr. Reid seconded by Mr. Hastings that the Secretary reply to these gentlemen to the effect that their resignations will be accepted when they have paid their pro rata contribution towards

liquidating the Clubs indebtedness, calls for an Circular of May 12th, and that the Secretary make a similar reply to any subsequent resignations which may be received from those who have not paid such Contribution

The question of salaries & expenses during the Coming year was then discussed and the Secretary presented an estimate of receipts and disbursements.

It was moved by Mr. Rhuba seconded by Mr. Brady and carried that the Stewards Salary be $60.00 per month taking effect June 1st/93

It was moved by Mr. Lynch seconded by Mr. Hartwig and carried that on and after June 1st/893, a charge of 25¢ a pack be made for playing cards, and that notice to this effect be posted on the bulletin board

After further discussion as to the possibility of increasing the revenue of the Club, it appearing to be the sense of the meeting that a greater revenue might be derived from the billiard tables if they were

downstairs, it was moved by Mr. Dunbar seconded by Mr. Hartwig and carried, that the House Committee, be and are hereby authorized to have our billiard table and our pool table removed from the present billiard room to the west room on the lower floor - the present ladies dining room, and to make such disposition of the other rooms for reading, Card rooms etc. as they may see fit, and further that the House Committee is ~~instructed~~ authorized to sell the other pool and billiard table at the best price they can obtain.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Directors Meeting May 27th 93

Present. Messrs. Frazer, Starkey, Scotts, Lenz, Reid, Sturgis, Brady, Richardson, Lemm, Robinson, Walker & Drubar

Mr. Sturgis reported that in accordance with resolution adopted at last meeting the House Com. had looked into the matter of moving the Billiard table and had obtained some figures as to the probable cost.

The Secretary read the resignation of Mr. Stevens, which on motion was tabled.

The President gave in substance a proposition made by Messrs. Walter Pitts and J. H. Penny Jr. to take the Club and run it for a year taking all the receipts and paying all expenses.

A long discussion of this matter resulted in no action being taken, there being no written proposition upon which to act.

Meeting adjourned.

Directors Meeting June 26th

Present - Messrs. Frazer, Robinson, Richardson, Brady, Lange, Foote, Hartwig, Sturgis, Lemon, & Dunbar

Minutes of last meeting were read and on motion of Mr. Richardson seconded by Mr. Robinson were ordered approved.

Reports were called for from different members as to their proceedings during past week in getting promises of members to pay up their Contributions.

It was moved by Mr. Sturgis 2nd by Mr. Robinson that the Secretary be instructed to remove from the Bulletin board the names of the following Gentlemen ~~Members~~ who have resigned from the Club and who have paid their dues up to the date of their resignation viz. Messrs. J. W. Lancaster & H. G. Buckingham. This motion carried.

The secretary read the resignations of Messrs. B.J. Woodson and W.A.P. McDonald, no action was taken upon them

It was moved by Mr. Richardson and 2d ~~by Mr.~~ that the resignation of Thos. Edwards be accepted as of date of May 1st 93 he being released from all liabilities beyond that date.

Mr. Lenox stated he would see Mr. W.A.P. McDonald with a view to getting him to withdraw his resignation.

It was moved by Mr. Dunbar duly seconded and carried that the Georgetown Light & Fuel Co. be authorized to make connection & furnish gas to the Club House provided there is no additional expense incurred thereby

It was moved, 2d & carried that the President appoint a Com. of 3 to thoroughly canvass the question of incorporating the Club & report at next meeting. The President appointed Messrs. Dunbar, Reid and Lenox

Adjourned

Directors Meeting July 24/93

Present- Messrs- Rogers, Robinson Brady, Lemon, Hastwig, Shiggins George & Dunbar. -8-

Minutes of the last meeting were read and duly approved.
Committee on Incorporation requested further time which was granted.
It was moved by Mr. Shiggins seconded by Mr. Hastwig, that Mr. Robinson be appointed Chairman of a Collecting Committee, and that he select any other directors ~~with~~ as he sees fit to assist him in collecting the rest of the assessment. - Carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Directors' Meeting Aug. 12th 1893

Present Messrs. Hazen, Lemon, Brady, Robinson, Lemon, Richardson and Dunbar - 7

Minutes of last meeting were read and on motion duly approved.

Mr. Robinson reported that another effort had been made to collect Contributions, with but little success.

After discussion it was moved by Mr. Richardson seconded by Mr. Lemon and carried that Messrs. Robinson and Hazen and the Secretary draw up and send out to ~~all~~ those who had not paid their contribution, another circular letter

It was moved by Mr. Richardson seconded by Mr. Brady that the name of Mr. J. S. Talbot (non resident member) be placed upon the absentee list to take effect May. 1st 1893 and that he be requested to pay up back dues as soon as possible. Adjourned

Directors Meeting Nov. 13/99

Present

Messrs. Zeigler, Brady, Stanbury, Lemon, Leigh, Stubbs & Richardson

In the absence of the secretary Mr. Richardson acted as secy pro tem

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Moved & seconded, that the following members be exempted from payment of the last assessment for the reason that the greater part of the debt was made prior to their membership viz C. F. Enright, E. S. Lamen. Carried

Moved seconded and carried that the following resignations be accepted viz. H. N. Buckingham A. W. Shuster Henry Kay Jr.

Moved and seconded that the settlement made with Dr. Leigh by Mr. J. M Bazen of his entire

indebtedness up to Oct 31st 93 to the Club in consideration of the payment of $75.00 is approved.
Carried
Moved and seconded that the settlement made with W. B. J. Woodson by Messrs Frazer & Lemon in waiving six months dues to Oct. 31st 93 is hereby approved
Carried
Moved and seconded that the resignation of Leo B. Dunbar as Secretary and Treasurer be accepted, on a vote being taken the motion carried

T. W Lancaster was nominated to fill the vacancy on the Board occasioned by resignation of M. Dunbar as being put to a vote he was unanimously elected

Moved and seconded that Mr. T. W Lancaster be elected to fill the unexpired term of office of Leo. B. Dunbar as Secretary & Treas unanimously Carried

Moved and seconded that nightly charges for rooms be $2.00 instead of $1.00 as heretofore.
Carried.

Moved seconded and Carried that when a party will rent a room for a period of not less than six months the rent be $20.00 per month with no deduction for allowance for absence.
Adjourned.

Directors Meeting Feby. 17th 1894

Present.
Messrs. Richardson Harting Drory
Reed. Driggs. Geo. Robinson & Lancaster

The minutes of Nov 13th 1893 were read and approved
Upon motion of Mr George the resignations of C.A. Hook & C.M. Corbin were accepted,
Upon motion of the Secretary the name of James Craig delinquent to the Club $3.30 was ordered dropped from the roll of membership.
Upon motion of Mr Richardson it was ordered that the President be constituted a committee to negotiate a loan of $800 - with Mr Lemon to pay interest insurance &c & that he be authorized to execute a chattel mortgage upon the furniture of the club to secure same if necessary to do so,
Upon motion of Mr Harting the Secretary was instructed to draw on members for amount of dues due Nov 1. 93,
No further business appearing Board adjourned

J. Lancaster Sec

Directors Meeting Mar. 2nd 1894

Present.
Messrs Harting. Richardson. Sturgis
Rogers. Bray. Robinson. George Proctor
Lancaster

Upon motion of Mr George the minutes of
last meeting were approved. having previously
been read.
Upon motion of Mr Robinson the resignations
of W. A. McDonald & Robert Douglas
were accepted,
Mr George introduced the following resolution:
Resolved. That a Committee of five be
appointed to confer with certain members of
the Club and obtain a proposition from them
in writing by which the expenses for
the coming year,
Vice Pres. Sturgis appointed Messrs George
Reed & Harting the Committee under above
resolution. Board adjourned

D. Lancaster Sec

Directors Meeting. March 31st 1894.

Present

Messrs Harting. Richardson. Rogers
Bray. George. Lemon. Walker and Lancaster

The minutes of Mar. 24th were read and approved
In pursuance of the resolution introduced at
the last meeting the following proposition was
submitted to the Directors:

"St Joseph Mo March 29th 1894

To the Directors of the Benton Club.

Gentlemen.

Recognizing the very apparent
fact that the present condition of affairs
cannot continue without a very probable dis-
ruption of the Benton Club. we hereby submit
the following proposition viz:
With a view to increasing the membership
of the club and thereby making the same self
sustaining; in consideration of receiving
all moneys paid to the Club from April
1st 1894 to April 1st 1895 we propose to manage
the Club for one year in the name of and for
the benefit of the Club and its members. under the
direction of the Board of Directors as provided
under the by laws. and agree to pay all of the
expenses of the Club. including interest on the

debt. taxes and insurance,
We do not propose to pay the six per cent (6%) rental to the Benton Club Company. as agreed by the Benton Club when the property was leased from the Benton Club Company,
Very Respectfully
John M Rogers
John D Brady.
P.S. We change the above proposition to read for six months with privilege of one year on the terms mentioned
John M Rogers
J D Brady, "
Upon motion of the Secretary, it was ordered that this proposition be accepted and that the control & management of the Club house furniture and all its appurtenances be turned over to them upon the terms and for the time above mentioned.
Upon motion of Bro George the Chair appointed a Committee consisting of Messrs George Hartwig & Lancaster to make an inventory of the stock of wines liquors. provisions & fuel of the Club to be delivered to Messrs Rogers & Brady at an agreed valuation.
Board then adjourned.
J J Lancaster
Secy

Directors Meeting Apr 16th 1894

Present.
Messrs. Robinson. Brady Richardson
Martin. Mayer. Lemon. Yerger Lancaster

Minutes of March 31st 1894 were read & approved.
Messrs Brady & Mayer having offered $500. per the stock of cows. Cigars. provisions & fuel of the club upon motion of Mr Robinson the offer was accepted,
Upon motion of Mr Yerger the Secretary was instructed to include the names of those in arrears to the club, in his annual report to the stockholders.
Upon motion of Mr Brady the Chair appointed a committee consisting of Messrs. Richardson Robinson & Lancaster to select a ticket & to report for or directors at the ensuing election to be opened at this meeting;
The ticket is as follows:
Charter members — J.N. Burnes Jr. J.B. Brady J.D. Richardson Jr. John. D Lemon. H.R. McMartin S.A. Walker. R.E. Turner. & M.A. Reed.
Associate members — Milton Doolt Jr. H.L. Yerger J.H. McCord. R.J. Morrison & Vinton Pike.
Board adjourned

J.H. Lancaster Sec

Annual Meeting Apr 18 1894

The meeting was called to order by President Rogers.
The Secretary called the roll of members and it was found that there were thirty members present.
The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.
The annual election of directors being in order the chair appointed Messrs George. Riley & Lancaster tellers.
The polls were kept open one hour after which the tellers declared the following persons elected directors for the ensuing year.

For Directors

JOHN S. LEMON
JOHN B. BRADY
JOHN D. RICHARDSON
M. A. REED
R. E. TURNER
JAMES N. BURNES, Jr.
H. R. W. HARTWIG
S. A. WALKER
JAMES H. McCORD
H. L. GEORGE
MILTON TOOTLE, Jr.
VINTON PIKE
B. J. WOODSON

Upon motion of J.N. Burnes Jr it was ordered that a Committee consisting of Burton Pike and M. A Reed be appointed to formulate a plan for incorporating the club and report to the Board of Directors,

The Secretary then submitted the following report of the transactions of the past year!

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Receipts		Disbursements	
Dues	3,86250	Wines & liquors	134419
Membership	5000	Cigars	71707
Cigars	99180	Water	11155
Wines & liquors	2,24155	Fuel	56815
Pool	28340	Restaurant	4,24972
Rooms	73855	Light	30800
Restaurant	35810	Gen. Expense	56447
Voluntary Contrib.	26545	Interest	52526
Cash on hand	233	Taxes	44541
		Insurance	9025
		Salaries	2,74273
		Printing & Stdy	6890
		Paid Bills	2,67702
	$14,41268		$14,41268

The club has no unpaid bills, except $525, unpaid Interest

No membership is 83. Resident 72. non resident 11. 11

Meeting adjourned.

J.J. Lancaster Secy Treas

April 9th, 1898.

Pursuant to call of the President, a meeting of the Directors of the Benton Club of St. Joseph was held at the Club rooms on this 9th day of April, 1898. There was present at said meeting the following named Directors, to-wit:

J. R. Owens, Milton Tootle Jr., C. F. Enright, Stoughton Walker, R. W. Powell, J. B. Brady, John Sturgis, and R. A. Brown.

The meeting was convened at Nine o'clock A. M., with Milton Tootle Jr., President, as Chairman, and R. A. Brown as Secretary. On motion duly seconded, it was unanimously resolved that the Benton Club of St. Joseph accept a quit claim deed to the property upon which the Club buildings are situated, containing a provision to the effect that the deed is accepted, subject to a first mortgage to Milton Tootle Jr. and John J. Tootle for Fifteen thousand five ~~hundred~~ hundred dollars ($15,500.), the amount of their present mortgage upon said property with accrued interest. The President and Secretary were by resolution of the Board of Directors, instructed to take such steps as might be necessary to bring about the transfer of said property, and to accept the deed [redacted] therefor on behalf of the Club.

There being no further business to trans act, the meeting adjourned, subject to call by the President.

R. A. Brown

Secretary.

Secretary.

B-E-N-T-O-N- C-L-U-B.

St. Joseph, Missouri, October 22, 1900.

Pursuant to a call of the President, a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club was held at the Club rooms at six o'clock P. M. on the 22nd day of October, 1900.

There were present at said meeting the following named directors, to-wit: Milton Tootle Jr., R. W. Powell, Stoughton Walker, C. R. Berry, C. F. Enright, C. N. Robinson and R. A. Brown.

After the meeting had been called to order by the President, the Secretary read communications,

tendering their resignations as members of the Benton Club, from the following named persons to-wit:

George O. Richardson, Dr. Barton Pitts, W. K. James, Dr. C. H. Wallace, Samuel M. Nave, E. D. McAllister, M. S. Norman, James N. Burnes Jr. and J. A. Johnston.

After said communications had been read, upon motion of R. V. Powell, duly seconded, it was unanimously resolved that said resignations be accepted, and the Secretary was instructed to so notify such members.

Upon motion duly seconded, it was resolved to accept the resignation of Samuel McCord as member of the Benton Club, to take effect the first of May, 1900.

Upon motion, duly seconded, it was unanimously resolved to have a wire extended to the Benton Club, and to employ a telegraph operator, to received the election returns at the Benton Club, on the evening of November 6, 1900.

There being no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned, subject to call by the President.

R. A. Brown
SECRETARY.

BENTON CLUB.

ST. JOSEPH, MISSOURI, DEC. 18, 1900.

Pursuant to call of the President, a meeting of the Directors of the Benton Club was held at the Club rooms in the City of St. Joseph, Missouri, on this 18th day of December, 1900.

There were present at said meeting, the following named Directors, to-wit:

Milton Tootle Jr., A. W. Powell, Stoughton Walker, J. J. Tootle, James F. Burnes, C. F. Enright and C. R. Berry.

The meeting was convened at six o'clock P. M. with Milton Tootle Jr. as President, and C. F. Enright as acting Secretary.

The Secretary then stated that M. F. Hartwig, C. E. Sprague, Dr. W. F. Schmid, W. H. Harroun, E. D. McAllister, J. G. Schneider, D. S. Harding, T. R. Early, James N. Burnes Jr. and H. S. Norman had been duly proposed as resident members of the Benton Club, and that their names had been posted for the requsite time and in the manner prescribed by the by-laws. Thereupon, upon motion duly seconded, a ballot was taken upon the election of said persons as members of the Club. After said ballot had been taken, and the votes counted, it was found that each of said parties had received the unanimous vote ofwall the directors present.

The President thereupon declared the said persons to have been duly elected resident members of the Benton Club.

Fred D. Whiting, of Chicago, was also duly elected a non-resident member of the Club.

It was resolved to give the opening Ball of the Club on the night of January 1st, 1901.

There being no furth er business to transact the meeting adjourned subject to call by the President or in the manner prescribed in the by-laws:

Acting Secretary.

April 18th. 1900.

The members of the Benton Club held their annual meeting at the Club Rooms on Wednesday Evening,April 18th.1900,and upon motion duly seconded,Mr.F.N.Devorss was made Chairman of the meeting,and C.F.Enright,Secretary. The Chair appointed Mr. J. J. Tootle and Mr.R.A.Brown,Tellers of the election of Directors for the ensuing year.

The report of the Treasurer for the year ending this date,was read,and it was moved and seconded that the report be accepted. Carried.

Moved and seconded,that Mr.Elam be extended the thanks of the members for his untiring efforts in behalf of the Club's interests,to which is attributed a great part of the splendid results obtained in the conduct of the Club's affairs. Carried.

The members present having voted,it was moved and seconded that the polls be closed. Carried.

The Tellers announced the result of the election,and that the following named gentleman having received the highest number of votes,were declared elected:

J.B.Brady,
C. E. Berry,
W. F. Robinson Jr.
R. A. Brown,
C. F. Enright,
Milton Tootle Jr,
Stoughton Walker,
R. W. Powell,
Jno. D. Richardson,
Jno. Donovan Jr,
W.T. Van Brunt,
C. N. Robinson,
Jas. N. Burnes Jr.

There being no further business,the meeting adjourned.

Frank N. Devorss
Chairman.

Attest: C F Enright
Secretary.

BENTON CLUB.

ST. JOSEPH, MISSOURI, FEBRUARY 4, 1901.

Pursuant to agreement, a meeting of the Directors of the Benton Club was held at the Club rooms in the City of St. Joseph, Missouri, on this 4th day of February, 1901.

There were present at said meeting, the following named Directors to-wit: R. W. Powell, W. T. Van Brunt, C. F. Enright, Stoughton Walker, R. A. Brown, J. J. Tootle and Harry Parker.

The meeting was convened at six o'clock P. M. The President being absent, R. W. Powell was elected Chairman of the meeting.

The Secretary then introduced and read the following resolution to-wit:

"BE IT RESOLVED That the citizens of St. Joseph, other than members of the Club, be permitted to attend entertainments given at the Club, at such times and upon such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by the House Committee".

Upon a reading of said resolution, it was duly moved and seconded that the same be adopted as read. A vote having been taken upon the adoption of said resolution, it was declared by the Chairman to have been adopted by the unanimous vote of all the Directors present.

There being no further business to transact, the meeting adjourned, subject to call by the President or as by the by-laws prescribed.

R C Brown

Secretary.

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Benton Club,
St. Joseph, Mo.

REPORT OF MEETING HELD AT THE BENTON CLUB

MAY, SIXTH, 1902

The annual meeting of the Benton Club was called to order by it's President, Mr. Milton Tootle Jr. wherein he stated the object of the meeting, was to elect a directory consisting of 13 members of the Club for the ensuing year, and to transact any other business, that might come up.

The next in order was to elect a temporary Chairman, and Secretary, and on motion of L.C.Burnes and seconed by C.R.Berry, Mr. R.A.Brown was chosen Chairman, and on motion of C.R.Berry, and seconed by J.H.Parker Jr. L.C.Hamilton was chosen Secretary.

The Chairman Mr. Brown read the annual report of the Treasurer showing the condition of the Club, and upon motion of L.C.Burnes, and seconed by M.S.Norman, said report was accepted and placed on file.

The Chairman announced the next thing in order, was to place in nominations Directors for the comming year, and the following names were placed in nomination, C.R.Berry, L.C.Hamilton, Huston Wyeth, Milton Tootle Jr. E.F.Hartwig, James M.Johnson, James N.Burnes Jr. M.S.Norman, O.M.Spencer, J.L.Rogers, Frank J.Moss, Barton Pitts, R.A.Brown, Stoughten Walker, J.H.McCord, W.T.VanBrunt, John Donovan Jr. H.M.Hunaly, J.H.Parker Jr. C.F.Enright, and R. W. Powell.

L.C.Burnes and John A Duncan, were selected by the Chairman as Tellers, to count and report on the vote, which was as follows.

Benton Club,
St. Joseph, Mo.

C,R.Berry	34 votes	M.S.Norman	27 votes,	Stoughten Walker	7 vote
L.C.Hamilton	34 ,,	O.M.Spencer	26 ,,	W.T.VanBrunt	7 ,,
Huston Wyeth	34 ,,	J.L.Rogers	27 ,,	John Donovan Jr.	7 ,,
R.W.Powell	34 ,,	Frank J. Moss	27 ,,	H.M.Hunaly	7 ,,
Milton Tootle Jr.	34	Barton Pitts	27 ,,	J.H.Parker Jr.	7 ,,
E.F,Hartwig	27	Jas.M.Johnson	27 ,,	C.F.Enright	7 ,,
Jas.N.Burnes Jr.	27	J.H.McCord	7 ,,	R.A.Brown	7 ,,

There being 13 Directors to be elected, those receiving the highest number of votes were declared elected, which were the following persons.

C.R.Berry, L.C.Hamilton, Huston Wyeth, R.W.Powell, E.F.Hartwig, Jas. M. Johnson, Barton Pitts, Jas. N. Burnes Jr. Milton Tootle Jr. M. S. Norman, O.M.Spencer, J. L. Rogers, and Frank J. Moss.

DIRECTORS MEETING AT THE BENTON CLUB

S. F. M. MAY 10TH, 1903 [illegible] in which

The Secretary called the roll, and found the following Directors present. Huston Wyeth, M.S.Norman , C.R.Berry, L.C.Hamilton, E.F.Hartwig, Barton Pitts, James M. Johnson, O.M.Spencer, J.L.Rogers,

On motion of M.S.Norman, and seconed by C.R.Berry, O.M.Spencer was chosen Chairman, stating the object of the meeting was to elect officers for the ensuing year and to transact any other business that might come up.

E.F.Hartwig nominated Huston Wyeth for President, which was seconed by M.S.Norman, and he was unanimously elected President, and was escorted to the chair. C.R.Berry was put in nomination for Secretary, which was seconed by L.C.Hamilton and he was unanimously elected. L.C.Hamilton was put in nomination for Treasurer and seconed by C.R.Berry, and he was duly elected.

M.S.Norman and Milton Tootle Jr. were nominated for Vice Presidents and duly elected. This completed the election of officers, and the President named the following persons on the different Committees.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

E.F.Hartwig, Chairman. L.C.Hamilton, and J.L.Rogers

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Barton Pitts, Chairman, Jas.N.Burnes, Jas.M.Johnson

O.M.Spencer, and Milton Tootle Jr.

AUDITING COMMITTEE

M.S.Norman, Chairman, L.C.Hamilton, and Barton Pitts.

On motion of Barton Pitts, and seconed by C.R.Berry the following Gentlemen were chosen to form a new set of By-Laws.

J.M.Johnson, M.S.Norman, and O.M.Spencer

The Secretary read a communication from R.W.Powell in which he tendered his resignation as a Director,which was accepted,and R.M.Bachelor was elected to fill the vacancy.

M.S.Norman made a motion to suspend the rule for collecting the initiation fee for 30 days,and to accept members by paying the regular dues,this was seconed by E.F.Hartwig,and carried.

On motion of ~~Barton Pitts~~ J.M.Johnson,and seconed by Barton Pitts,the House Committee was to notify the Stewart,not to allow any one living in the City to come to the Club unless he was a member in good standing,and if any Member,on a Special occasion wanted to invite a friend that was not a member,and who lives in the city,must first get permission from the House Committeem.

M.S.Norman moved to adjourn subject to the call of the President,which was seconed,and the meeting adjourned.

C. R. B E R R Y,
Sec'y.

Club Rooms.

Directors meeting May 24/0-
At 8pm Called to order by President.
Present. Wyeth, Norman, Hamilton
Moss, Pitts Johnson, Hardwig
Bachelder, Rogers Berry Barnes
absent Tootle and Spencer.
Minutes of the previous meeting
read and approved—
Mr F. D. Whiting was transferred
from Resident to Non Resident
member and Secretary instructed
to so advise Mr Whiting—
The following names were
presented for membership. Non Resident
Major Wm Warner Kansas city Mo
E. R. Durham " " "
B. B. Blifer #621 Century Bldg St Louis Mo
Chas. D. Haynes New York city
C. M. Levey St Louis Mo
Geo. L. Crane New York City.
Residents. Charles Pasche, August Nunning
J. W. Hesters- Geo. R. Mann, W. D. Ketcham
C. W. Sparks, E. C. Hardwig, F. M. Atkinson
Owen B. Knight Daniel Morton J. M. Davis
Geo. J. Greene, C. H. Wallace F. S. Dickey
J. M. Smith C. A. Thorpe- J. A. Warner
J. J. Van Natta- H. L. George- Roland K. Smith
Jno. Combe- H. J. Ravold- Martin McCarthy

U. N. D. E. R. A. L.
Sec'y.

Continued.

Elliott Spaulding, O.B. Campbell and A.P. Clayton.
Above duly elected.
The Secretary was instructed to notify members that the Club women serve light refreshments every Saturday evening and each member was especially invited to attend the Saturday night lunches.

Secy instructed to mail Copy resolution waiving initiation fee until July 1/02 to all members.

Meeting dispensed

C.R. Benson
Secy.

Following notice sent to each of the thirty four new members. "I take pleasure in advising that you were regularly elected a member of the Benton Club, same effective May 1st, at a meeting of the board of directors held this date.
The Directors request me to urge your presence at the club as often as convenient

BENTON CLUB,
StJoseph,Mo.

May 24th, 1902.

TO MEMBERS:

Your attention is called to the following RESOLUTIONS adopted at a meeting of the DIRECTORS of the BENTON CLUB.

I

RESOLVED That the secretary be instructed to notify members that residents of the city of StJoseph cannot be entertained at the club, unless members in good standing.
If any member, on a special occasion, desires to invite a friend, that is not a member, and is a resident of the city, permission must be obtained from the House Committee.

II

RESOLVED That the Initiation Fee be suspended until July 1st, 1902, for the purpose of increasing the membership to one hundred and fifty.

III

RESOLVED That the Steward of the club be instructed to prepare an attractive lunch every Saturday night, which shall be served with the compliments of the club.
It is the desire to increase the attendance and all members are especially urged to be at the club Saturday evenings for an "informal smoker."

Thirty six new members were duly elected ay the last Directors' meeting and several new ones are posted as provided by the rules. The hearty co-operation of the members is earnestly solicited; the Directors are anxious to increase the membership to one hundred and fifty before the expiration of the rule to suspend the initiation fee, and each member is expected to secure at least one new member.

The club is in a prosperous condition, financially and otherwise.

Yours respectfully,

C. R. Berry,

Secretary.

Adjourned to June 14/01

A called meeting of the Directors was held at 8 pm June 14/01. The following directors present Myers, Mair, Norman, Hastings Pitt Johnson Hamilton & Berry

The following person, whose names had been regularly proposed, seconded and posted were elected Resident members.

A. L. Barbeau, B. C. Robinson C. McGrew A. J. Perkins, Eugene M. Sweeney T. E. Potter, W. H. Griffith and A. Elwood

No further business meeting adjourned

C A Berry
Secy

Josephville July 7th/02

A called meeting of the Benton Club directors was called to order by president Wyeth at 8 30 pm 7/7/02

Present, Wyeth, Norman, Batchelder Burnes Hartwig Pitts, and Berry

The following communication was received from messrs Milton and Jno J. Todd and date June 20th/02

"We desire to call your attention to the matter of your loan of $15.500.00 which has been past due for some time.

We have carried this loan since 1889 and believe we have had it long enough, and it should either be paid or negotiated elsewhere.

We will, consequently have to ask that it be taken up.

Kindly let us hear from you as to when you will [illegible] and oblige

On motion Dr Pitts the Communication was received.

After discussion of the Club's condition Dr Pitts was appointed a Committee of one to [illegible]

a new loan for $15.000.00 for 5 years at 5% any part of which can be paid at any interest paying period. On motion the finance Committee was given power to act in the matter without further reference to the directory. On motion of J.M. Brown Jr the Secretary was directed to express to Messrs Milton & Jno J. Tootle the thanks and appreciation of the club for carrying the loan on the Club property for so long a time under such unfavorable circumstances. On motion President Wyeth was authorized to sign petition for Brick paving on Gale St in front of the Club's property. Rev. J.E. Roberts of Kansas City was elected an honorary member of the Club bearing the usual Courtesies & privileges to the Club. Secy instructed to correspond with Co Treasurer Re with view having Thos recent resignation The following were elected resident members, having been proposed and posted as provided by by-laws. W. H. Turner and C.A. Fleming. Meeting adjourned subject to Call. C.B. Brown Secy

Called meeting of the Directors held July 14th Called to order by V.P. M.S. Norman. Present Pitts, Hamilton, Hostwig, Burns, Batchelor, Mann, Norman & Bray. On motion of Pitts & seconded by J.M. Burns, President was authorized to sign a demand note for $500.00 for Dr Lake and a note, for $15,000.00 for 12 mo @ 5% for J.J. Schneider, secured by the Club Real estate and personal property ~~to secure a loan of $15,000.00~~. The amount secured from said loans to be used to cancel the present indebtedness of the Club to Jno. J. and Milton Tootle amounting to $15,500.00. The above resolution unanimously adopted. ~~The following persons having been proposed as applicants by the Club, were unanimously elected members.~~

C.R. Bray

Called meeting of the directors
held July 28/02 Present Directors
Norman Batchelor Thos Hamilton
Burns Rogers Pitts Barry
Called to order by V.P. Norman
The following persons having
been proposed as provided
by the regs were unanimously
elected members.

A. M. Kearsley, H. Davidson

The following resolution offered
by Dr Pitts & seconded by Mr Batchelor
was unanimously adopted.

[redacted]

There being no further business adjourned

C. R. Barry
Secy

by club members were unanimously elected members.

A. M. Kearfott, J. Davidson

The following resolution offered by Dr. Pitts and seconded by Mr. Bartlett was unanimously adopted.

Resolved-That the Benton Club of St. Joseph for the pose of paying off an incumbrance now existing upon its proper execute to J. G. Schneider the note of said corporation whereby will promise to pay to him twelve months after date thereof the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars ($15,000) with interest from maturity at the rate of five per cent per annum, interest and principal payable at the German American Bank in the city of St. Jos Missouri, and for the purpose of securing said note this corpora cause to be conveyed to Karl U. Schneider as trustee Lots seven and eight (8) in Block fifteen (15) in Smith's Addition to the ci of St. Joseph, Buchanan county, Missouri, and that the president o this corporation be and is hereby authorized to execute said note in the name of the corporation and a deed of trust to said Karl U. Schneider as trustee for the purpose of securing said note, which said deed of trust may contain a power of sale to said trustee to sell said property if default should be made in the payment of said note, and that the secreatry of this corporation be and is hereby authorized to affix the seal of this corporation to said trust deed and generally that the said president and secretary of this corporation be authorized to do each and every act necessary and usual for the purpose of perfecting the borrowing of said sum of money and the securing of the same.

St.Joseph, Aug.9th,1902

Meeting called to order by its President H.Wyeth and on roll call the following named directors were present.

Houston Wyeth
J.Rogers
R.Bacheller
Jas.N.Burnes
C.R.Berry,
L.C.Hamilton
Dr.Pitts.

Mr.Wyeth stated that the object of the meeting was to approve a corporation seal which was necessary to have to use on all documents for record.

The words, "The Benton Club of St.Joseph,Mo." were inscribed in the seal and all the members present examined and approved its adoption

The motion was made by Jas.N.Burnes and seconded by J.F.Rogers No other business being before the meeting,it was moved by R.Bacheller and seconded by L.C.Hamilton to adjourn.Carried.

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BENTON CLUB

St.Joseph, November 20th,190

Mr.John Van Brunt

St.Joseph,Mo.

Dear Sir:-

I take pleasure in advising you that the Directors pa
a resolution at the last meeting appointing you a committee of o
take charge of the music at the Benton Club. Mr.Klam will furnis
with a detailed statement of our difficulty

Early in the season we made a contract with one of the leadi
musician at a certain price and he is not disposed to carry it ou
the Directors realizing your ability, have decided to call on you
assistance.

It is essential that we have the very best music obtainable
make the dances a success.

Yours respectfully,

Secy.

St.Joseph, Aug.23rd,1902

Meeting called to order by Vice President Norman,following directors present

Huston Wyeth
M.S.Norman
E.F.Hartwig
L.C.Hamilton
Barton Pitts
J.F.Rogers
C.R.Berry.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Following members having been posted as prescribed by the bylaws were unanimously elected members of the Club.

Resident members

H.Billman

Non-resident members

Edw.P.Pitts
J.P.Blunk
Jas Jameison
F.W.Blees

No further business the meeting adjourned.

Secy.

St.Joseph, Nov. 15th,1902

Meeting held at noon,called to order by President Wyeth,following directors present.

Frank J.Moss
L.C.Hamilton
E.F.Hartwig
Huston Wyeth
J.F.Rogers
J.N.Burnes
Barton Pitts
Milton Tootle Jr
C.R.Berry

On motion of Mr.Tootle,reading of the minutes of the proceeding meeting were dispensed with.

On motion of Dr.Pitts a resolution limiting membership to two hundred was unanimously carried

Resolution offered by Dr.Pitts,making initiation fee $50.00 was unanimously carried.

Resolution offered by L.C.Hamilton appointing Mr.Jno.Van Brunt committee of one to bring about harmony between the club and musical union was passed

The secretary was instructed to advise Mr.Van Brunt by letter of his appointment

On motion of Dr Pitts the Treasurer was insturcted to enforce the rule and post members, delinquent in payment of their dues and monthly account, as prescribed by the by-laws

The Secretary was instructed to post a copy of the RULES for benefit of the new members

The following parties were elected resident members.

R.H.Akhurst
S.F.Ambrose
Vernon Beggs
H.C.Buckingham
D.L.Bartlett
Kennet Burnes
C.A.Batterall
Louis Border
C.D.Berry,
D.D.Berry
J.Berlingett
W.McK.Barbour
A.W.Brewster
Geo.M.Brown
Chas.A.Bailey
Thos.B.Campbell
Percy L. Clay
Jos E. Corby
Dr. E. P. Cronkite
Robert Crozier
Dr. U. G. Crandall
John E. Dollman
C. S. Dickey
W. K. Donovan
Chas. Edwards
A. J. Enright
Chas. A. Frazer
Geo. W. Fraker
WalterP. Fulkerson
J. O. Fairleigh
W. P. Flint
W. M. Guthrie
J. H. Gregg
Dr. Chas Geiger
E. K. Gaylord
D. E. Heaton
Wilson Hendricks
H. O. Hartwig
Louis W. Hunt
Chas. L. Holland
G. M. Johnson
W. K. James
C. A. Kelly
E. A. King
Chas. S. Kemper
W. A. P. McDonald
John I. McDonald
Rice McDonald
H. J. Mueller
J. B. Moss
John B. Motter
Isaac Motter
James McCord
J. M. Parker
J. B. Parkinson
C. U. Philley
James Ringold
Frank W. Russell
Jesse I Roberts
Joseph S. Roberts
H. P. Reigert
M. A. Read
E. M. Wray
Judge H. M. Raymond
R. L. Spencer
L. H. Stubbs
J. C. Stuart
C. E. Sprague
Wm. M. Snail
E. G. Sunderlund
O. E. Schultz
Harry M. Tootle
Luther A. Todd
R. E. Townsend
John Townsend
C. H. Williams
Henry W. Walker
Dr. H. W. Westover
Chas E. Woodbury
L. O. Weakley
Dr. C. R. Woodson
Benj. J. Woodson
F. W. Yale
J.O. Barkley

Non-resident
W. P. Robinson

Memoranda showing disposition of memberships account subscription
Ladies Reception Room Addition

ston Wyeth	Chas.Edwards
H.Curtin	G.M.Johnson
C Hamilton	W.M.Snail
R Berry	Chas.L.Holland
F.Hartwig	H.O.Hartwig
C.Burnes	James Ringold
ewis Gaylord	E.K.Gaylord
ilton Tootle Jr.	L.O.Weakley
F.Enright	A.J.Enright
W.Wheeler	Chas.Kemper
oshua Motter	Jno.Barrow Motter
no.H. Van Brunt	Henry Walker
S.Norman	Harry M.Tootle
rank E.Robinson	Dr.Luther A.Todd
as.M.Burnes	Wm.M.Guthrie
no.Donovan	O.E.Shultz
no.J.Tootle	L.H.Stubbs
F.Steinacker	J.O.Barkley
R.W Hartwig	Chas.A.Bailey
J.Berry	*H.P.Reigart
M.Johnson	M.S.Ambrose
ewis M.Smith	Jno.Townsend
J.Moss	W.P.Flint
aymond DuPuy	*M.A.Reed
has.B.Farish	Percy M.Clay
F.Schmid	Dr.U.G.Crandall
M.Adsit	*J.Berlingett
D.Berry	D.D.Berry
M.Johnson	Woodson Hundley
no a Duncan	Jno Russell

Dec 15, 1902

St. Joseph, Dec. 15th, 1902

Proceedings of the Directors meeting held at noon Dec. 15th. 1902.

Meeting called to order by President Wyeth, Present

Hartwig	Pitts	Hamilton	
Rogers	Jas. N. Burnes	Spencer	
Moss	Wyeth	Berry	

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Following resingations having been received were accepted

L. F. Dickey	Jno. De Witt	Jos. A. Quimby
Wm. L. Bull	Webb W. Steele	

Following having been posted as provided by rules were regularly elected members

Resident Members

Hugo Grabel F. P. Halsey J. A. Fullerton

Albert Lea France

Non-resident

F. H. Ketchum,

Burlington, Iowa.

On motion of Jas. N. Burnes, Jr., it was decided not to hold a dinner dance Saturday, December 20th.

Mr. Hamilton, Treasurer of the club, stated that Mr. Elam's salary was not in line with the services he was rendering the club. After a discussion, a resolution offered by Mr. Hartwig, advancing Mr. Elam's salary to $100.00 per month, effective Jan 1st, 1903, was unanimously adopted.

The secretary was directed to advise Mr. Elam that the directors thoroughly appreciated the efficient services he had rendered the club and that the advance was intended to show in a small way their appreciation of his services.

Resolution offered by Mr. Spencer, authorizing the House Commitee to make expenditures necessary to put the kitchen in first class shape and make changes sufficient to take care of the increase in the business, at the club. Unaimously adopted.

Mr. Spencer offered a resolution authorizing the house committee to let contract for the addition that is to be used as a ladies' reception room, expenses to cost approximately $2200.00. The treasurer to make a special effort to collect, with as little delay as possible, the amount ---------- ----scribed to defray this expense. Unaimously adopted.

Secretary was directed to issue notice to members, calling their attention to rules which provide that delinquents are to be posted, also post notice that complaints should be made in writing. Oral complaints are not to be considered.

Secretary was directed to write members tendering their resignations account leaving the city, to transfer them to non-resident membership.

C. R. Burnes

Secy.

Directors Meeting Dec 20/10

meeting directors held noon Dec 20/10 Called to order by Pres. Wyeth present. Goode, Wyeth Hartwig Hamilton Rogers, Tittle Burns Berry- proceedings previous meeting approved.
Wm Ray Dobbin Odom was elected an honorary member.
W.M. Gray was elected a non resident member.
Woodson Hunter was elected a resident member.
The proposition to increase the membership to 210 was voted down. Secretary was instructed to advise the awaiting applicants that the names would be voted upon in their turn as vacancies in the membership occurred.
Secretary was directed to prepare book showing the present membership and new by laws that are to be prepared by the Committee appointed for that purpose.
No further business the meeting adjourned.

C R Burns Secy

Dec 20th/10

St.Joseph, January 5th,1903

At a meeting of the Directors of the Benton Club held at noon January 5th. 1903,following were present.

Burnes	Pitts
Spencer	Hamilton
Tootle	Bacheller
Berry	

On motion of Mr.Bacheller,Dr.Pitts was elected Chairman of the meeting. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

On motion of Mr.Spencer,seconded by Mr.Bacheller resolution extending limit of membership of the club from 200 to 220,was unanimously adopted.

Resolution offered by Milton Tootle,seconded by Dr.Pitts,authorizing the house committee to extend the porch,the plans to be decided by the house committee,the expense to be approximately $328,00.Unanimously adopted.

On motion of L.C.Hamilton,seconded by R.M.Bacheller,resolution providing that the directors would hold regular meetings the first Saturday of each month at 5 P.M. was unanimously adopted.

All speical meetings to be called by written notice,signed by the President and Secretary jointly,such written notices to set forth onject of the meetings so the directors could come prepared to act intelligently

Mr.John De Witt was transferred from resident to non-resident membership

Mr.Douglass Dallam was unanimously elected a non-resident member.

Mr.Chas.P.Bogue was elected a resident member.

Dr.F. P. Cronkite declined election and the Secretary was instructed to erase his name.

Secretary.

St. Joseph, January 19th,1903

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club was held at the club room this date at 6 P.M. Present

Burnes	Moss
Hartwig	Pitts
Hamilton	Wyeth
Tootle	Berry

President Wyeth in the chair. Proceedings of previous meeting approved.

On motion of L.C.Hamilton,bill of $25,00 against W.W.Steele was cancelled account error.

The Secretary stated that Mr.Chas.D.Bogue declined election and was instructed to erase his name from list of membership

On motion of L.C.Hamilton and seconded by Mr.Hartwig following members,having been posted as prescribed by the bylaws,were unanimously elected resident members

W.A.Hartigan	Herschel Bartlett
H.S.Riley	D.L.Bartlett
T.R.Early	Dr.C.W.Darby
Jno.W.Bruce	

No further business,the meeting adjourned.

Secretary.

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St.Joseph, May 2nd,1903

At [illegible] of the Directors of the Benton Club held March 7[illegible]r. Theo.J.[illegible]ndorf was unanimously elected a member of the Club.

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Proceedings of meeting of the Directors of the Benton [illegible] held April 29th. at 8 P.M. Directors present

Wyeth Tootle, Hamilton, Bacheller, Hartwig and Berry

It was decided to hold an annual elction Wednesday May 6th. The Stewart to be instructed to prepare satisfactory lunch, which is to be served free.

Secretary was directed to urge all members of the club to attend the annual meeting and take an interest in its affairs.

Secretary notified to advise Messrs.T.J.Sten and J.A.Ryan that they were delinquent in payment of their dues, and unless settlement was made without further delay, the rules of the Club would be enforced. He was [illegible] further instructed to [illegible] and arrange for duplicate check to take [illegible] of check sent [illegible] payment of Mr.Atwood's dues, which was lost in transit.

The resignation of six members having been [illegible]d, on motion of L.C.Hamilton, and seconded by Mr.Rogers, the Presid[illegible] was directed to appoint a Committee to confer with members having [illegible] their resignation with view of having same withdrawn. The parties who expect to leave the city, an effort was to be made to have them become non-resident members. The President appointed Hamilton and Berry as Committee.

Resolution offered by Mr.Rogers, donating $200 to the Salvation Army was unanimously carried.

The Secretary was directed to notify E.D.McAllister that the unsettled bill of $14,30, contracted by Ralph Hoagland, who was introducted at the Club by Mr.McAllister, was transferred to his account and it would be necessary for him to pay it as provided by the rules of the Club.

Mr.L.C.Hamilton was appointed a committee of one to employ a competent accountant to audit the Club's accounts so they could be turned over to the new directors.

The President was authorized to make up a ticket of thirteen directors to be voted on at the coming meeting.

Resignation of J.P.Baldwin of Hamburg Iowa was accepted.

The Directors authorized additional telephone service for the ladies reception room.

The [illegible] Elliott Stenographer [illegible] accepted.

Benton, Ore., May 3, 19--

Notice to Members:

Benton Club, City.

Dear Sir:-----

This is to remind you of the Club's Annual Election which takes place at the Club 8 o'clock Wednesday evening, May 6th.

In order to facilitate matters the President has prepared a list of twenty six (26) names from which you are expected to select thirteen (13) names, who will constitute the directory to manage the Club's affairs during the ensuing year.

Should you desire to vote for some one whose name does not appear on the list, blank spaces will be left on the ticket and the names may be written. The tickets are being printed merely to assist the voters.

It is hoped that every member will feel a spirit of loyalty towards the Club and individually take an interest in the selection of a Directory that will properly minister the Club's affairs.

WILL YOU COME?

Yours truly,

C. R. Berry, Secretary.

BENTON CLUB.
L. C. Hamilton,
Treasurer.

St.Joseph, Mo., May 6, 1903.

To the President and Members,
BENTON CLUB.

I beg leave to submit the Treasurer's report for the year ending May,2nd, 1903, as follows.

It is my pleasure to inform the Club that, during the past year, the membership has been increased as follows,

Membership, year ago.....	Resident.....	84
	Nonresident.....	40
	Total.....	124
Present membership.....	Resident.....	208
	Nonresident.....	58
	Total.....	266
Gain.....	Resident.....	124
	Nonresident.....	18
	Total.....	142

In the matter of finances, there has been a gain of $5,879.86, as follows.

Paid Second Mortgage.....		800.00
Special Paving Tax.....		446.50
New Furniture & Fittings.....		381.79
New Piano.....		500.00
New Improvements & Addition...		
to Building.....		3503.34
Increase in Cash & Stock.....		
on hand May 2nd, 1903...458.23		$5879.86

The Ladies donated to the Club $421.00, which they raised by subscription and proceeds from dances, to furnish their Reception Room. This is shown in the statement, and I would recommend that a vote of thanks be tendered the Ladies Committee, who worked so earnestly to raise the money and make the Club a Social Success.

The Steward, Mr. Klaw, and his competent force, have done much to make this Club a financial success. If not out of line (knowing the needs of the Club) I would like to recommend to the incoming secretary Directory certain improvements that should be made.

First, overhaul the gentlemen's dining room and put it in first class shape; paint the building; then purchase new china, glass and silverware in keeping with a first class club.

The Roof Garden can be made an attractive place for the members during the summer months and I would recommend that furniture for same be purchased at once.

The lunch feature has proved a success and should be continued; every member would be benifited by patronizing it. Besides getting a good lunch for the money, it brings the members together daily, where important questions concerning the city's welfare can be discussed.

With the present membership all this can be easily done, besides starting a sinking fund to pay off the indebtedness.

To the Directory who were in charge when we came in, I would recommend a vote of thanks. As Treasurer, I found everything in good shape and with the membership the Club then had, they made a splendid showing.

Respectfully submitted,

L C Hamilton

Treasurer.

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BENTON CLUB

Ballot May 6, 1903

You are expected to name thirteen Directors. If there is any one you desire to vote for not on the list, write the name in blank space. Be sure to vote for thirteen names ONLY, otherwise the ticket will be void.

1 Huston Wyeth ✓
2 John J. Tootle
3 M. S. Norman ✓
4 J. A. Johnston ✓
5 Milton Tootle Jr. ✓
6 S. I. Motter
7 J. M. Johnson ✓
8 L. M. Smith
9 C. R. Berry ✓
10 R. E. Costegan ✓
11 L. C. Hamilton ✓
12 C. B. Farish
13 E. F. Hartwig ✓
14 John Donovan Jr. ✓
15 R. M. Bachelier
16 Dr. C. H. Wallace ✓
17 Dr. Barton Pitts
18 Raymond Du Puy ✓
19 Jas. N. Burnes Jr. ✓
20 H. M. Hundley
21 Frank J. Moss
22 E. M. Sweeney
23 J. L. Rogers
24 J. G. Schneider
25 O. M. Spencer ✓
26 J. H. Van Brunt
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ANNUAL REPORT

OF

The Benton Club

FROM

May 2, 1902, to May 2, 1903

ST. JOSEPH, MO.

Combe Printing Company, St. Joseph, Mo.

Benton Club

Annual Report for the Year Ending May 2, 1903

St. Joseph, Mo., May 4th, 1903.

To the Members of the Benton Club:

Gentlemen:—I have the honor to submit for your consideration, the very full and satisfactory report of our Treasurer, for the year ending May 2, 1903.

Yours respectfully,

HUSTON WYETH, President.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

May 2, 1903

MEMBERSHIP MAY 2, 1902		MEMBERSHIP MAY 2, 1903	
Resident members	84	Resident members	208
Non-resident members	40	Non-resident members	58
Honorary members	2—126	Honorary members	3—269

Admitted During Years 1902-3

Resident members	124
Non-resident members	18
Honorary members	1—143
Total	269

Total 269

OEFICERS

HUSTON WYETH.....President

CHAS. R. BERRY.....Secretary

L. C. HAMILTON.....Treasurer

MILTON TOOTLE, Jr.....Vice-President

M. S. NORMAN.....Vice-President

BOBRD OF DIRECTORS

HUSTON WYETH
CHAS. R. BERRY
M. S. NORMAN
MILTON TOOTLE, Jr.
JAS. N. BURNES
E. F. HARTWIG
DR. BARTON PITTS
J. M. JOHNSON
L. C. HAMILTON
R. M. BACHELER
J. L. ROGERS
FRANK J. MOSS
O. M. SPENCER

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT

For Year Ending May 2d, 1903

RECEIPTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Cash received from Treasurer Enright, May 2, 1902	$ 48.56	Restaurant	$5,003.26
Restaurant	6,907.29	Wines and Liquors	1,877.27
Wines and Liquors	2,889.05	Cigars	1,634.52
Lodging	1,206.15	Salaries, Restaurant	1,574.75
Cigars	2,159.45	Salaries, Outside Restaurant	2,194.00
Cards	136.05	Cards	89.48
Accommodation Cash	385.96	Accommodation Cash	391.93
Membership Dues	9,292.45	Light	499.45
Donations from the Ladies to furnish their Reception Room.	421.00	Fuel	521.70
		Water	58.00
		Ice	174.50
		Printing and Stationery	193.20
		Linen and Blankets	148.65
		China, Silverware, and Cooking Utensils	228.17
		Newspapers and Magazines	81.34
		Music and Entertainment	394.00
		General Expense	590.49
		Taxes, Special	446.50
		Taxes, Regular	328.90
		Insurance	50.00
		Interest	1,403.14
		Paid off second Mortgage	500.00
		Repair, Building	193.69
		Furniture and Fittings	381.79
		New Piano	500.00
		New Improvement Building	287.72
		New Addition Building	3,305.62
		Cash balance on hand	393.89
	$23,445.96		$23,445.96

STATEMENT

May 2, 1903

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash on hand	$ 393.89	Bills Payable (Mortgage)	$15,000.00
Restaurant supplies on hand	50.00	Unpaid Current Accounts	2,173.73
Wines and Liquors on hand	541.54	NET ASSETS	25,414.08
Cigrars on hand	184.24		
Cards on hand	4.50		
Real Estate, Building, Furniture, and Fittings, Estimated	35,000.00		
Dues, due from Members	4,931.65		
Accounts, due from Members	1,481.99		
	$42,587.81		$42,587.81

WINES AND LIQUORS

Stock on hand May 2, 1903		$ 541.54	
Sales to May 2, 1903		2,889.05	$3,430.59
Stock on hand May 2, 1902		$ 434.50	
Purchases to May 2, 1903		1,877.27	2,311.77
Profit on Wines and Liquors			$1,118.82

CIGARS

Stock on hand May 2, 1903		$ 184.24	
Sales to May 2, 1903		2,159.45	$2,343.69
Stock on hand May 2, 1902		$ 178.85	
Purchases to May 2, 1903		1,634.52	1,813.37
Profit on Cigars			$ 530 32

CARDS

Stock on hand May 2, 1903		$ 4.50	
Sales to May 2, 1903		136.05	$ 140.55
Stock on hand May 2, 1902			
Purchases to May 2, 1903		$ 89.48	89.48
Profit on Cards			$ 51.07
LODGING, PROFIT			1,206.15

RESTAURANT

Stock on hand May 2, 1903		$ 50.00	
Sales to May 2, 1903		6,907.29	$6,957.29
Stock on hand May 2, 1902		$ 60.00	
Purchases to May 2, 1903		5,003.26	
Salaries, Restaurant		1,574.75	6,638.01
Profit, Restaurant			$ 319.28
Total Net Profits, all Departments			$3,225.64

Statement Showing Profit and Loss for the Year

Salaries, outside Restaurant	$2,194.00	Dues	$ 9,292.45
Light, Fuel, Water and Ice	1,253.65	Donations, Ladies	421.00
Printing and Stationery	193.20	Profit, Wine and Liquors	1,118.82
Linen, China, Silverware, etc.	376.82	Profit, Cigars	530.32
Music and Entertainment	394.00	Profit, Cards	51.07
Newspapers and Magazines	81.34	Profit, Lodging	1,206.15
General Expense	590.49	Profit, Restaurant	319.28
Taxes and Insurance	378.90		
Interest	1,403.14		
Repair Building	193.69		
Net Profit	5,879.86		
	$12,939.09		$12,939.09

L. C. HAMILTON, Treasurer.

We hereby certify that the foregoing report has been examined by us and the same is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

A. D. COLE,
Auditor.

C. R. BERRY,
Secretary.

1	Huston Wyeth	107
2	~~John J. Tootle~~	
3	M. S. Norman	57
4	J. A. Johnston	54
5	~~Milton Tootle Jr.~~	
6	S. I. Motter	
7	J. M. Johnson	50
8	L. M. Smith	
9	C. R. Berry	85
10	R. E. Costegan	63
11	L. C. Hamilton	104
12	C. B. Farish	
13	E. F. Hartwig	86
14	John Donovan Jr.	50
15	R. M. Bacheller	
16	Dr. C. H. Wallace	79
17	Dr. Barton Pitts	
18	Raymond Du Puy	70
19	Jas. N. Burnes Jr.	58
20	H. M. Hundley	
21	Frank J. Moss	
22	E. M. Sweeney	
23	J. L. Rogers	
24	J. G. Schneider	
25	O. M. Spencer	52
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May 6-1913

We the undersigned tellers appointed at the annual election of directors of the Bella Vista Country Club to count the votes cast find the following have received the highest number of votes:

Huston Wyeth	E F Hartwig
M S Norman	Jno. Donovan Jr.
J A Johnston	Dr C H Wallace
J M Johnson	Raymond DuPuy
C R Berry	Jas N Burnes
R E Costegan	O M Spencer
L C Hamilton	

H M Hundley
E M Sweeney

MEMORANDUM of ELECTION held in the Ball Room of the BELTON CLUB, Eight pm, May 6th, 1903.

The meeting was called to order by the President, Mr. Huston Wyeth, who stated the object and explained the method to be followed in casting the votes.

The Secretary read the Treasurer's report and distributed the Club's Annual Statement.

After the reading of same Mr. Edward C. Smith moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the President and Directors complimenting them for the best showing and most intelligent report ever renedered in the Club's history. This motion was carried unanimously.

There being no further business the President appointed Messrs C. F. Enright, A. B. Weakley and E. D. McAllister tellers and the voting commenced and continued one hour. After the count the tellers announced the following members elected to serve as Directors for the coming year.

H. eton Wyeth	M. S. Norman
J. A. Johnston	J. M. Johnson
C. R. Berry	R. E. Costegan
E. C. Hamilton	E. F. Hartwig
John Donovan	Dr. C. H. Wallace
Raymond DuPuy	Jas. N. Burnes
O. M. Spencer	

There being no further business the meeting adjourned to partake of a lunch which had been prepared by the House committee.

Secretary.

St. Joseph, Mo,, June 1, 1903.

Notice to Members:

For the benefit of the members who were unable to attend the annual election held May 4th, I enclose herewith a statement of the Club's affairs for the past year and you will note the showing is an excellent one. Your careful perusal is requested.

The following Officers and Standing Committees have been selected and will govern the affairs of the Club for the ensuing year:

PRESIDENT

C. R. Berry

VICE PRESIDENTS

J. A. Johnston — E. F. HARTWIG

TREASURER
J. N. Burnes

SECRETARY
L. C. Hamilton

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

M. S. Norman, Chairman
Raymond DuPuy — John Donovan, Jr.

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Huston Wyeth, Chairman
L. C. Hamilton — E. F. Hartwig

COMMITTEE ON RULES

C. H. Wallace, Chairman
O. M. Spencer — J. M. Johnson

DIRECTORS

Huston Wyeth	M. S. Norman	L. C. Hamilton
Raymond DuPuy	John Donovan, Jr.	C. H. Wallace
J. N. Burnes	J. A. Johnston	E. F. Hartwig
R. E. Costegan	J. M. Johnson	O. M. Spencer
	C. R. Berry	

Many improvements have been made in the past year and the property is now in excellent shape and affords patrons every convenience. Members are earnestly requested to frequent the Club as often as possible.

The Noonday Lunch feature inaugurated by the House Committee has proven a success in every particular. The lunch is nicely prepared and served quickly, and is all that any one could reasonably expect. The average daily attendance has been from twenty-five to thirty. The management would like to build up this feature. If you have not availed yourself of the Noonday lunch, will you give it a trial at as early a date as possible.

Yours respectfully,

C. R. BERRY,
President.

St. Joseph, Mo., May 19, 1903.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIRST MEETING OF THE NEW DIRECTORY ELECTED AT ANNUAL MEETING HELD AT THE CLUB ROOMS, 8 pm, May 18 1903.

Present Eight;
Wyeth, Johnston, J.A. Wallace, Hartwig, Burnes, Hamilton, Costegan, Berry.
Absent
Spencer, Johnson, J.M. Norman, Donovan DuPuy

Vernon Beggs and M. S. McCarthy were transferred from Resident to Non-resident members. Secretary was instructed to so inform them.

Resignation of J. H. Osborne as Non-resident was accepted.

Resignation of E. K. Gaylord was accepted to take effect at expiration of his present membership, which was paid one year in advance.

Mr. Buford Adams having been posted as prescribed by the Bylaws, was duly elected. This membership is given in exchange for telephone service in the ladies' reception room, as per arrangement of the House committee.

The Treasurer was authorized to employ a competent book keeper whose duty it shall be to keep the books, correspondence, and club records, look after the office, see that telephone is answered and prepare such statements as made be called for by the various committees from time to time.

The House Committee was authorized to arrange for a new furnace.

Following Officers were elected for ensuing year:

President	C. R. Berry.	Secretary	L.C.Hamilton.
First Vice Pres	J.A.Johnston	Treasurer	R.E.Costegan
second Vice Pres	E.F.Hartwig		

Mr. Costegan positvely declined to accept the office and J. N. Burnes was elected Treasurer to succeed him.

No further business the meeting adjourned.

St.Joseph, Mo. June 15th,1908

Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club held this afternoon at 6 o-clock

Directors present eight,viz:

Burnes	Wallace	Hartwig	Johnston
Berry	Wyeth	Hamilton	Dupuy

Meeting was called to order and on motion reading of minutes of previous meeting was waived.

A letter from Geo.S.Hosea, stating that he had changed his residence from St.Joseph to Washington D.C.,and requesting that he be transferred to non-resident membership,was read and the request granted.

Resignation of Jas.P.Blunk of Atchison,Kan. as non-resident member, was accepted.

Letter from John Combe, expressing his desire to resign, was read and referred to Mr.Hamilton,who promised to prevail upon Mr.Combe to withdraw his resolution.

The President was given the power to extend membership to Mr.J.J.Newell of the Citizen's Telephone Company,in exchange for free telephone service which he has been extending to the Club for the past four or five years.

Mr.W.M.Snail having declined to accept membership presented by Mr.L.C.Hamilton,same was transferred to Mr.Jas.A.Walker.

Following having been posted as prescribed by the rules of the Club,were duly elected members.

Resident: A.W.Warren
C.H.Taylor
Mrs.M.Spencer

Non-resident Henry Miller, St.Louis,Mo.

There being no further business,meeting adjourned.

L.C.Hamilton

Secretary.

account of the popularity of the new [illegible]
[illegible] to serve a Table D'Hote vegetable dinner [illegible] to eight
[illegible] Thursday and Saturday evening of each week, commencing
[illegible] evening July 25th, for a charge of seventy five cents per

This is more of the nature of an experiment and the directors
each member to take an interest in giving this Table D'Hote
as much publicity as possible and enlarge the patronage.

It is absolutely necessary to give the Steward notice not later
noon of the day dinner is desired in order to facilitate mark
service.

Yours respectfully,

I. C. Hamilton,

Secretary.

Mo., Jul 21, 1903.

Benton Club,
St. Joseph, Mo.

A special meeting of the Directors of the Benton Club was held Aug 1st, 1903, and a committee of three, E. F. Hartwig, J. M. Johnson and L. C. Hamilton, were appointed to draft resolutions of condolence and hand copy of same to the bereaved family of the late M. S. Norman, who was a Director and active member of this club.

Members being present were

C. R. Berry	E. F. Hartwig	J. N. Burnes
L. C. Hamilton	J. M. Johnson	J. A. Johnston
	C. H. Wallace	

The following resolution was adopted. Motion by E. F. Hartwig, second by J. M. Johnson. The same was ordered spread on the records.

StJoseph, Mo., Aug 3rd, 1903.

Mrs. M. S. Norman,
6th & Antoine Sts.,
StJoseph, Mo.

Dear Madam:-----

As secretary of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club, I have the honor to inform you that at a meeting of the Board held on Saturday, the 1st inst., the following resolution was unanimously carried:

"Resolved that for mal expression of the grief felt by all in the death of one of its most valued members, Mariem S. Norman, be made of record in this club. His many manly virtues marked him as the exponent of the highest citizenship and so endeared him to all who knew him that his death is a personal bereavement to every member. It is proper that this general sorrow be thus manifest, and that our sympathy be conveyed to his stricken family, in this, the greatest of earthly sorrows."

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned.

L C Hamilton

Secretary.

Benton Club,
St. Joseph, Mo.

August 1st, 1903.

Mrs., M. S. Norman,

Sixth & Antoine Streets,

StJoseph, Mo.

Dear Madam:-----

As Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club, I have the honor to inform you, that at a meeting of the Board, held on Saturday, the first inst., the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"RESOLVED THAT formal expression of the grief felt by all in the death of one of its most valued members, Marion S. Norman, be made a matter of record in this Club.

His many manly virtues marked him as the exponent of the highest citizenship and so endeared him to all who knew him that his death is a personal bereavement to every member.

It is proper that this general sorrow be thus made manifest, and that our sympathy be conveyed to his stricken family, in this, the greatest of earthly losses."

Very Sincerely Yours,

J C Hamilton

Secretary.

Copy

SPECIAL NOTICE TO MEMBERS.

At the last meeting of the directors a resolution was unanimously adopted making it compulsory on the officers to post the name of each and every member in arrears to the club.

The club needs and is entitled to prompt payment of amounts due it and if you are in arrears you are very kindly requested to pay up at once and save the officers the necessity of posting your name.

Very truly,

L. C. HAMILTON,

Secretary.

Meeting of the directors held
Sept 7th present. E Hartwig
Raymond Dempsey
Jno Donovan
C K Wallace
H Myers
L C Hamilton
C A Berry.

Henry Krug was elected a director to fill the unexpired term of M. S. Norman, deceased.
Wm McLaughlin having been posted as prescribed by the clubs By Laws was elected a non-resident member.

The secretary was directed to issue notice to members calling their attention to the rules regarding delinquents This rule must be enforced and all members in arrears will be posted — no further business meeting adjourned.
L C Hamilton Secy

Secretary's file
valuable

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C. R. Benton
President.

L. C. Hamilton
Secretary.

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C. R. Brown
President.

L. C. Hamilton
Secretary.

Raymond DeLay Director.

Director.

E. H. Hartzog Director.

Director.

Director.

Director.

Office of The Benton Club of St. Joseph,

St. Joseph, Mo., Nov. 10, 1903.

Pursuant to notice mailed to each and every member of the company, and pursuant to agreement of the members, a special meeting of the members of The Benton Club of St. Joseph, was held at the Club rooms of the company, on Tuesday the 10th day of November, 1903.

The meeting was convened at nine o'clock, a.m. when C. R. Berry, the president of the company was elected chairman, and Raymond DuPuy secretary of the meeting.

After the meeting had been convened, the chairman of the meeting stated, that as it was not deemed advisable to transact the business for which the meeting was called, at that time, that such meeting should be adjourned to convene at nine o'clock, a. m. on Saturday the 30th day of January, 1904.

Upon motion duly seconded, the meeting adjourned to convene at the date and time above named.

Chas. R. Berry

Chairman.

Raymond DuPuy

Secretary.

J. N. BURNES,
PRESIDENT.

ALBERT S. McGHEE,
SECRETARY.

EMPIRE LOAN ASSOCIATION,

Capital Stock $1,000,000.00

ST. JOSEPH, MO.

Nov. 2-1903-

Mr. L. C. Hamilton,

St. Joseph, Mo.

Dear Sir;-

At the directors meeting of the Benton Club last Saturday night, I acted as Secretary and herewith give you an account of the meeting from which you can write it up as you are accustomed to do.

Members present;- Henry Krug, Jr.
E. V. Hartwig,
Raymond DuPuy
John Donovan,
J. N. Burnes.
J. R. Johnson,
C. H. Wallace
C. R. Berry
L. C. Hamilton

The name of L. O. Weakley at his own request was ordered dropped from the rolls. Elliot Spalding was reinstated in full membership without initiation fee. The house committee was asked to inspect the sleeping rooms and make a recommendation as to refitting the same as soon as convenient. The Secretary was authorized to write Mr. Ketcham Senior, in regard to his son's indebtedness. The son was made a member at the request of his father who was a member at the time and according to by-laws, he is in a manner responsible for the same.
The Treasurer was instructed to have printed 150 bonds of the denomination of $100.00 to run ten years with the option of payment at any time, the bonds to be mortgage bonds on all the property, real and personal, owned by the Club. By resolution, the President and Secretary were authorized to secure the same when ready.
Mr. Gustave Smith of St. Joseph was elected a resident member.
Mr. L. A. Miller of Atchison, Kas. was elected a non-resident member.
Mr. L. C. Shellaberger was elected a non-resident member.
At your convenience kindly telephone me and we will take lunch together some day and we will talk this matter over.

Yours truly,

J. N. Burnes

StJoseph, Mo., Nov 21st, 1903.

Minutes of called meeting of the Directors of the penton Club held eight pm this date. The following Directors were present.

Jas. N. Burnes	Raymond DuPuy	R.E.Costegan
Henry Krug	E.F.Hartwig	C. R. Berry
	L. C. Hamilton	

The following, their names having been posted as provided by the bylaws, were elected members of the Club.

G. H. Larke	W. W. Marple	Dr. H.S.Forgrave
	C. F. Strop	

The Club re-instated J. S. Brittain, Jr., and F. N. Devorse as members, they having resumed residence in StJoseph.

Mr. J. M. Parker, Colorado Springs, Colo., and Chas. S. Kemper, Kansas City, were transferred from the resident to the non-resident membership list.

The Directors decided to cancel the initiation fee and due of Mr. Irving McDonald, deceased, and A. W. Warren, having declined election, his name was stricken from the membership list. J. C. Stewart having left the city without tendering his resignation, his name was stricken from the membership list.

The following resignations were received and accepted.

H. A. Walker	W. H. Turner	H. M. Tootle
Dr. H. W. Westover	Percy L. Clay	W. P. Flint
J. C. Vandewater	Chas. Woodbury	

L. C. Hamilton
Secy.

Benton Club,
St. Joseph, Mo. January 5th, 1904

Proceedings of the meeting of Board of Directors of the Benton Club held January 5th. Present

Raymond Du Puy
L.C.Hamilton
Huston Wyeth
C.R.Berry.
E F Hartwig
Henry Krug
R.E.Costogan

Resignation of Will Hartigan and Edw.Douglass were accepted

Directors declined to accept resignation of E.A.King and Owen B.Knight account same not being received prior to November 1st.03

The Secretary was instructed to communicate with F.H.Ketcham relative to unpaid account of $25,25 of W.D.Ketcham. According to the Club's rules, Mr.F.H.Ketcham having endorsed W.D.Ketcham, it is proper he should assume the amount and protect the club

The following were elected non-resident members

B.G.Hudnut,	Terre Haute, Ind
G.B.Woodruff	Minneapolis, Minn.
Chas.R.White	Chicago, Ill.
C.D.Morris,	Trenton, Mo.
Harry Bates, Jr.	Indianapolis, Ind

The following were elected resident members

Ralph O.Stauber	St.Joseph, Mo.
A.C.Owens	" "
M.L.Letts,	" "
Jas.W.Good	" "
Hugo Halling	" "

L.C.Hamilton

Secretary

Benton Club.
St.Joseph,Mo. January 26th,1904

Proceedings of meeting of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club held Jan.26th.04 8 P.M. Present

L.C.Burnes
R.E.Costigan
Huston Wyeth
C.R.Berry
Raymond Du Puy
L.C.Hamilton
Henry Krug

Attorney R.C.Brown appeared before the Directors and explained at length necessary legal points as to new issue of bonds.

A committee comprising following Directors was named to look after, and arrange for sale of the bonds.

L.C.Burnes
H.F.Hartwig
L.C.Hamilton
Raymond Du Puy
R.E.Costigan
C.R.Berry

W.T.Van Brunt was transferred from a resident to a non-resident member.

A letter from Dr.Daniel Morton tendering his resignation from the club was received and the Secretary was instructed to confer with the Doctor and call his attention to the rules,which prevent Directors from accepting his resignation until after May 30th.04

Resignation of Thos. Elam as Steward of the Club [illegible] accepted. President and Secretary were authorized to arrange for his successor. The President and Secretary were directed to write Mr.Elam a letter tendering the Director's thanks for the excellent service he had rendered the Club during his eight years service as steward.

L.C.Hamilton

Secretary

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Benton Club.
St. Joseph, Mo. March 5th, 1904

A called meeting of the Board of Directors was held in the Director's room at 8 P.M. March 5th. Present

Donovan	Hartwig	Hamilton
Krug	Costigan	Wallace
Du Puy	Berry	

Following parties having been posted as prescribed by the rules were elected resident members

H.Y.Lemon	N.D.Biles	G.H.Furbeck
E.L.Phipps	R.E.Hastings	

Non-resident members

J.H.Genning	Indianapolis, Ind
Jas.H.Baldwin	St.Louis, Mo.
M.M.Vincent	Kansas City, Mo.

Communication from E.D.Bird, Secretary Democratic Club, Rockport, was read, and referred to Mr.Harry Tootle, President of the Munroe Club

Letter from E.A.King referred to Mr.Jno.Donovan, who is to report at the next meeting

Letter from C.H.Williams, referred to C.B.Farish, who has agreed with the Directors to prevail upon Mr.Williams to withdraw his resignation. Matter to be reported on at next meeting

The Committee (L.C.Hamilton and C R Berry) to whom matter of securing a steward, reported appointment of Mr.Gus Lau, at a salary of $75,00 per month. Report received and approved.

Dr.Wallace complained of manner in which the cigar and liquor departments were conducted, and the Chairman of the House Committee promised to inaugurate a check system, so comparative figures could be furnished the Directors.

The Committe, (J.N.Burnes, R. Du Puy, L. C. Hamilton, H. Krug and C. R. Berry) to whom the matter of disposing of the Club bonds was referred, reported disposition of the entire bond issue among seventy-one members. The Committee was complimented and relieved.

No further business, the meeting adjourned.

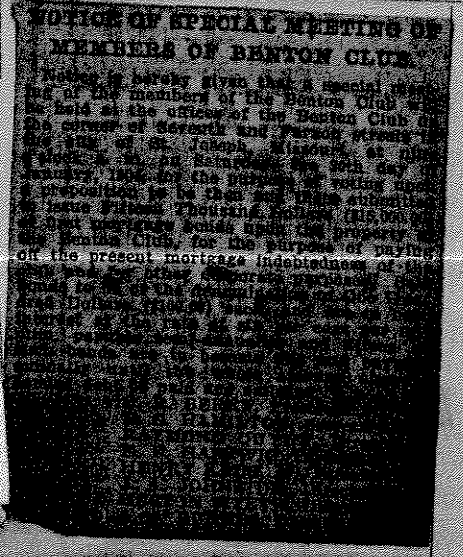
L C Hamilton
Secretary.

Office of The Benton Club of St. Joseph,

St. Joseph, Mo., January 30,1904.

Pursuant to adjournment of November 10, 1903, and to notice duly published and mailed to each member of The Benton Club of St. Joseph, more than sixty days prior to the date hereof, said notice, together with the proof of publication thereof, being in words and figures, as follows, to-wit:

Proof of Publication



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STATE OF MISSOURI, } ss.
COUNTY OF BUCHANAN, }

W. McK. BARBOUR, being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is one of the publishers of the **ST. JOSEPH GAZETTE**, a newspaper published in the City of St. Joseph, Missouri, and that the advertisement of Special Meeting Members Benton Club of which a copy is hereto annexed, was published in the Weekly Daily edition of said paper for Nine weeks consecutively, from the 27th day of November 1903 to the 22nd day of January 1904 inclusive

W. McK. Barbour
PUBLISHER.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, a Notary Public, whose commission expires 20/18 1904 [illegible]

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L. C. HAMILTON, Secretary.
RAYMOND DU PUY, Director.
E. F. HARTWIG, Director.
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E. J. Bren
NOTARY PUBLIC.

a special meeting of the members of The Benton Club of St. Joseph, was held at the club rooms of the company in the city of St. Joseph, Missouri, on this 30th day of January, 1904.

The meeting convened at nine o'clock a. m., when C. R. Bery, president of the company, was elected Chairman, with L. C. Hamilton, secretary of the company, as secretary of the meeting.

There were present at said meeting, in person or by proxy, the following named members, to-wit: J. M. Frazer, J. W. Heddens, Isaac Motter, E. C. Hartwig, H. M. Hundley, L.H. Stubbs, Graham G. Lacy, C. R. Woodson, J. J. Newell, W. P. Fulkerson, O. D. Knight, C. H. Darby, John G. Parkinson, Harry L. George, T. J. Benkendorff, John S. Brittain, C. D. Berry, F. E. Robinson, T. J. Berry, H. R. W. Hartwig, H. O. Hartwig, R. A. Brown, J. A. Walker, Lewis Gaylord, Henry J. Krug, R. E. Costigan, C. W. Sponsler, Chas. A. Bailey, Milton Tootle, Jr., F. W. Russell, J. A. Warner, S. W. Hundley, Charles L. Holland, W. S. Johnson, C. S. Dickey, Raymond DuPuy, C. E. Farish, Louis Golding, A. L. Frarrce, F. J. Moss, H. J. Ravold, Huston Wyeth, J. A. Warner, W. K. Curtin, J. M. Johnson, S. M. Adsit, E. M. Sweeney, J. A. Johnston, Wm. J. Fairleigh, Jr., J. J. Tootle, A. B. Weakley, J. McDonald, Charles A. Frazer, C. F. Enright, C. E. Sprague, Henry J. Mueller, J. N. Burnes, L. C. Hamilton, Louis W. Hax, Jr., W. McK. Barbour, W. R. Thomas, F. W. Maxwell, Charles A. Kelley, R. M. Batchelor, J. B. Moss,

F. P. Halsey, Louis Boder, John Donovan, E. J. Eckel, A. W. Brewster, J. Berlingett, E. D. McAllister, Charles F. Edwards, D. L. Bartlett, Jr., M. A. Reed, W. H. Harroun, Mo. & K. Tel. Co., by B. Adams, Mgr., Charles Pasche, Stoughton Walker, W. T. Van Brunt, H. V. Rigan, J. L. Rogers, J. H. Van Brunt, R. F. Atwood, A. T. Perkins, Elliott Marshall, R. H. Akhurst, Ben. J. Woodson, Edward C. Smith, T. W. Gaynor and Lewis Smith.

After the meeting had been convened, the secretary offered the following resolution, to-wit:

WHEREAS, this company is duly authorized by law to borrow money to enable it to fulfill the purposes of its incorporation, and to mortgage its estate, both real and personal, as the said purposes of its incorporation may require.

NOW THEREFORE RESOLVED , That this company, for the purpose of paying off its outstanding obligations and indebtedness, for betterments, extensions and other improvements, and for other corporate purposes, issue its bonds, to be known as its First Mortgage Six Per Cent. Gold Bonds, in the aggregate sum of Fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000.00), consisting of one hundred and fifty (150) bonds of the par value of one hundred dollars ($100.00) each, numbered consecutively from one to one hundred and fifty both inclusive, payable to the bearer or to the registered holder thereof, in gold coin of the United States of America, of or equal in weight and fineness to the present standard, at the time and in the manner specified in ~~said~~ the form of said bonds hereinafter set out, at the National Bank of St. Joseph, in the city of St. Joseph, Missouri, with interest thereon from the first day of February, 1904, payable semi-annually in like gold coin, at the rate of six per cent. per annum; that to secure the payment of said Fifteen thousand dollars of bonds to be issued, this company execute a mortgage or deed of trust, to R. A. Brown of St. Joseph, Missouri, as Trustee, upon all

its estate, both real and personal, whether now owned or held, or to be hereafter acquired, owned or held, and that the President and Secretary of this company be, and are, hereby authorized and directed to make execute and deliver to said R. A. Brown, as Trustee, said mortgage or deed of trust, and its said bonds, to the number and in the manner hereinbefore specified. Said bonds, together with the coupons thereto attached, and the Trustee's certificate, to be thereon endorsed, to be substantially in the following form, that is to say:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

STATE OF MISSOURI.

No. 100.00

THE BENTON CLUB OF ST. JOSEPH.

First Mortgage Six Per Cent. Gold Bonds.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That The Benton Club of St. Joseph, a corporation created and existing under the laws of the state of Missouri, for value received, promises to pay to the bearer, or, if registered, to the registered holder thereof, on the first day of February, 19_____, at The National

Bank of St. Joseph, in the city of St. Joseph, Missouri, the sum of One hundred dollars ($100.00) in gold coin of the United States of America, of, or equal in weight and fineness to the present standard, with interest thereon at the rate of six per cent. per annum, in like gold coin, payable semi-annually, at The National Bank of St. Joseph, on the first day of February and August of each year, upon the presentation and surrender of the coupons hereto annexed, as they severally become due, until such principal sum be fully paid.

This bond is one of a series of bonds of like tenor and date, except as to the time of maturity, consisting of one hundred and fifty (150) bonds, of the par value of One Hundred Dollars ($100.00) each, numbered consecutively from one (1) to one hundred and fifty (150) both inclusive. Fifteen of said bonds, being numbered from one (1) to fifteen (15), both inclusive, mature, and become due and payable on the first day of February, 1905; fifteen of said bonds, being numbered from sixteen (16) to thirty (30), both inclusive, mature, and become due and payable on the first day of February, 1906; fifteen (15) of said bonds, being numbered from thirty-one (31) to forty-five (45) both inclusive, mature, and become due and payable on the first day of February, 1907; fifteen (15) of said bonds, being numbered from forty-six (46) to sixty (60), both inclusive, mature, and become due and payable on the first day of February, 1908; fifteen (15) of said bonds, being numbered from sixty-one (61) to seventy-five (75),

both inclusive, mature, and become due and payable on the first day of February, 1909; fifteen (15) of said bonds, being numbered from seventy-six (76) to ninety (90), both inclusive, mature and become due and payable on the first day of February, 1910; fifteen (15) of said bonds, being numbered from ninety-one (91) to one hundred and five (105), both inclusive, mature and become due and payable on the first day of February, 1911; fifteen(15) of said bonds, being numbered from one hundred and six (106) to one hundred and twenty (120), both inclusive, mature and become due and payable on the first day of February, 1912; fifteen (15) of said bonds, being numbered from one hundred and twenty-one (121) to one hundred and thirty-five (135), both inclusive, mature , and become due and payable on the first day of February, 1913; fifteen (15) of said bonds, being numbered from one hundred and thirty-six (136) to one hundred and fifty (150), both inclusive, mature, and become due and payable on the first day of February, 1914. The payment of the principal and interest of all of said bonds is equally and ratably secured by a first mortgage or deed of trust, bearing even date herewith, duly executed by said THE BENTON CLUB OF ST. JOSEPH , to R. A. BROWN , as Trustee, upon all its property, both real and personal, whether now owned or held, or hereafter to be acquired, of said THE BENTON CLUB OF ST. JOSEPH ;and said bonds are issued and held under and subject to the provisions of said mortgage or deed of trust, to which reference is hereby made

for a full description of the nature and extent of the security, and the rights of the holders of this bond.

This bond shall pass by delivery unless the same has been registered.

This bond shall not become valid until authenticated by the certificate endorsed hereon, and signed by said Trustee.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF , THE BENTON CLUB OF ST. JOSEPH, has caused these presents to be signed by its President, and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed, attested by its Secretary, and the annexed interest coupons to be signed with the printed or engraved autographic signature of its Treasurer, as of this first day of February, 1904.

THE BENTON CLUB OF ST. JOSEPH,

By _____

President.

Attest:

_____

Secretary.

(Coupon.)

No. 3.00

On the first day of_____, 19____, THE BENTON CLUB OF ST. JOSEPH, will pay to the bearer, at The National Bank of St. Joseph, in the city of St. Joseph, Missouri, Three Dollars ($3.00), in United States gold coin, being six months interest then due on its First Mortgage Six Per Cent.

C. A. Wright

L. P. Stubbs

Inspectors.

After the report of the inspectors had been read, the chairman of the meeting announced that the resolution above read, authorizing the issue of fifteen thousand dollars ($15,000.00) of bonds had been adopted by the unanimous vote of all of the members of the company present.

There being no further business to transact, upon motion duly seconded, the meeting adjourned.

Chas. A. Sawyer

Chairman.

L. L. Hamilton

Secretary.

After the above and foregoing resolution had been read, the chairman of the meeting, being the president of the company, appointed C. F. Enright and L. H. Stubbs, inspectors, to receive and canvas the votes cast upon the adoption of the resolution. Said inspectors, so appointed, thereupon qualified in the manner prescribed by law. The polls remained open until five o'clock p.m., and after all the members present, either in person or by proxy, had voted, the inspectors canvassed all votes cast, and reported that ninety-two votes had been cast in favor of the adoption of the resolution as read, and that no votes had been cast against its adoption. The report of the inspectors is in words and figures as follows:

To the President and Board of Directors of The Benton Club of St. Joseph:

As inspectors duly appointed to receive and canvas all votes cast at the special meeting of the Members of The Benton Club of St. Joseph, held at the Club rooms of the company on this date, we hereby certify that we received and canvassed all votes cast, and that ninety-two votes were cast in favor of the adoption of the resolution, authorizing the Club to issue fifteen thousand dollars (15,000.00) in First Mortgage Six Per Cent. Gold Bonds, and that no votes were cast against the adoption of said resolution. Witness our hands this 30th day of January, 1904

Gold Bond No. _____

_____

Treasurer.

Trustee's Certificate.

This bond is one of a series of bonds mentioned in the mortgage or deed of trust within referred to.

_____

Trustee.

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THE ST. JOSEPH & GRAND ISLAND RAILWAY COMPANY
ROBERT A. BROWN, GENERAL ATTORNEY
TOOTLE-LEMON BANK BUILDING

ST. JOSEPH, MO.

February 3, 1904

Mr. James N. Burnes, Jr.,
St. Joseph, Mo.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed I hand you forms of minutes of meeting of the directors of Benton Club, held Nov. 10, 1903, directors meeting held January 30, 1904 and members meeting held on the last date named; also deed of trust to be executed by the Club.

The directors' minutes are complete and need only the signature of the chairmen and secretaries of the meetings. The minutes of the meeting of the members contain the inspectors report, which will be found on page 4 of the minutes. This report should be signed in the spaces at the top of page 5. The minutes should then be signed by the chairman and secretary and pasted in a minute book large enough to receive them.

Yours very truly,

R. A. Brown

Statement

St. Joseph, Mo. March 16 1904

Mr. John Combs

To Benton Club Dr.

REMIT BY CHECK TO THE ORDER OF

TREASURER.

TO DUES TO 50 00

Received

Total

Statement

St. Joseph, Mo. March 1 1904

Mr. Dr. W. H. Westover

To Benton Club Dr.

REMIT BY CHECK TO THE ORDER OF

TREASURER.

TO DUES TO MAY 1 1904 2.00

Statement

St. Joseph, Mo. March 1, 1904

Mr. Ellicott Spaulding

To **Benton Club** Dr.

REMIT BY CHECK TO THE ORDER OF

TREASURER.

TO DUES TO MAY 1 1904 25.00

Statement

St. Joseph, Mo. 190

Mr. W. J. VanBrunt

To **Benton Club** Dr.

REMIT BY CHECK TO THE ORDER OF

TREASURER

TO DUES TO MAY 1 1904 5 00

Transferred to Non Resident
Was charged with 2.50
But of 1.50 to be charged 89

Statement

St. Joseph, Mo. _____ 190

Mr. W. W. Westover.

To Benton Club Dr.

REMIT BY CHECK TO THE ORDER OF

TREASURER.

TO DUES TO MAY 1 1904 25 00

Resigned

Statement

St. Joseph, Mo. 190

Mr. C A Battrall

To **Benton Club** Dr.

REMIT BY CHECK TO THE ORDER OF

TREASURER

To Dues to MAY – 1 1904 25-00

Renewed

Statement.

St. Joseph, Mo. _____ 190__

Mr. N. Billman

In Account with the . . .

Benton Club

For Month of Jan 190 4

Restaurant		
Wines and Liquors		
Lodging		
Cigars		
Cards		
Cash		
Dues to ____ 190__ Payable in advance.	25	00
To amount of bill rendered Oct 03	3	50
Total	28	50

MAY - 1 1904

Statement

St. Joseph, Mo. _____ 190__

Mr. Jno Coombe

To **Benton Club** Dr.

REMIT BY CHECK TO THE ORDER OF

MAY - 1 1904

TREASURER

TO DUES TO _____ 5 00

Resigned

Statement

St. Joseph, Mo. _____ 190__

Mr. C. D. Douglas

To **Benton Club** Dr.

REMIT BY CHECK TO THE ORDER OF

TREASURER

TO DUES TO MAY - 1 1904 $25.00

Resigned

Statement

St. Joseph, Mo. _____ 190__

Mr. W W Hartwig

To Benton Club Dr.

REMIT BY CHECK TO THE ORDER OF

TREASURER

MAY - 1 1904

TO DUES TO _____ 2 50

Claims absence of 6 months

Statement

St. Joseph, Mo. _____ 190__

Mr. Ed A King

To **Benton Club** Dr.

REMIT BY CHECK TO THE ORDER OF

TREASURER

TO DUES TO MAY - 1 1904 2.50 cc

Assigned

Statement

St. Joseph, Mo. _____ 190__

Mr. W. A. Walker

To **Benton Club** Dr.

REMIT BY CHECK TO THE ORDER OF

TREASURER

TO DUES TO MAY 1 1904 $3.00

Statement.

St. Joseph, Mo. _____ 190__

Mr. W. D. Ketcham

In Account with the . . .

Benton Club

For Month of _____ 190__

Restaurant		
Wines and Liquors		
Lodging		
Cigars		
Cards		
Cash		
Dues to MAY — 1 1904 Payable in advance.	50	00
MAY — 1 1904		
with compliments of the Benton Club		
To amount of bill rendered April - May & June '03	20	25
Total	70	25

February 1st,1904. List of the Benton Club Bonds and the name of the holders. Six per Cent interest,payable semi-annually.

No.	Name.	No.	Name.	No.	Name.
1	Void.Paid.	51	Dr.Jacog Geiger.	101	Raymond DuPuy.
2	,,	52	,,	102	,,
3	,,	53	L.C.Hamilton.	103	,,
4	,,	54	,,	104	,,
5	,,	55	,,	105	,,
6	,,	56	,,	106	F.W.Russell
7	,,	57	,,	107	S.M.Aasit.
8	,,	58	J.G.Schneider	108	W.H.Harroun.
9	,,	59	Henry Krug.Jr.	109	,,
10	,,	60	,,	110	,,
11	J.Berlingett	61	J.N.Burnes Jr.	111	E.F.Hartwig.
12	Huston Wyeth	62	,,	112	,,
13	,,	63	,,	113	J.M.Frazer
14	,,	64	,,	114	,,
15	,,	65	,,	115	,,
16	L.C.Burnes	66	,,	116	,,
17	,,	67	,,	117	,,
18	,,	68	,,	118	J.J.Tootle.
19	,,	69	,,	119	,,
20	,,	70	,,	120	C.A.Steinacker
21	Huston Wyeth	71	,,	121	R.M.Bachelor
22	Raymond DuPuy	72	,,	122	Chas A Frazer
23	,,	73	,,	123	W.E.Stringfellow
24	,,	74	Geo.M.Johnson	124	C.F.Enright.
25	,,	75	J.N.Burnes,Jr.	125	,,
26	,,	76	,,	126	,,
27	,,	77	,,	127	Frank J.Moss.
28	,,	78	,,	128	Jno.A.Duncan
29	,,	79	,,	129	F.E.Robinson
30	,,	80	,,	130	Jas Davidson
31	,,	81	,,	131	A.J.Enright.
32	,,	82	,,	132	C.U.Philley.
33	,,	83	Jas.N'Burnes Jr.	133	A.J.Enright.
34	,,	84	Raymond Dupuy,	134	Jas.H.Gregg
35	,,	85	,,	135	Jno.J.Tootle.
36	,,	86	,,	136	,,
37	,,	87	,,	137	,,
38	,,	88	,,	138	Dr.C.H.Wallace
39	,,	89	,,	139	Raymond DuPuy
40	,,	90	,,	140	L.C.Shellabarger
41	,,	91	,,	141	Raymond DuPuy.
42	,,	92	C.A.Dayton.	142	J.A.Warner
43	,,	93	Raymond DuPuy.	143	W.H.Curtin
44	,,	94	,,	144	,,
45	,,	95	E.F.Hartwig.	145	Raymond Dupuy
46	,,	96	,,	146	,,
47	,,	97	,,	147	Geo.Green
48	,,	98	Raymond Dupuy.	148	R.E.Costigan.
49	,,	99	,,	149	R.C.Robinson
50	Thos.VanNatta.	100	,,	150	G.G.Lacy.

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St.Joseph, March 30th,1904

Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club held March 30th,04 6 P.M. Present

Hamilton	Du Puy	Wallace
Donovan	Burnes	Hartwig
		Berry

The President call the Director's attention to an agreement made with the new members that had paid the $50.00 initiation fee to the effect that should the Directors decide to waive the initiation fee anytime within two years from date, those now paying the initiation were to be reimbursed. This agreement necessary account the practice heretofore ~~was to take off~~ which was to take off the initiation once a year and take in a large number of members who were not required to pay the initiation

The following persons having been posted as prescribed by the rules, were elected resident members

Geo.F.Thomas ✓	Geo.W.Collins ✓	E H Campbell ✓
M.F.Montgomery ✓	Lanmon Bull ✓	

L C Hamilton

Secretary

Benton Club.
St.Joseph,Mo. May 4th ,1904.

Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Benton Club.

Present L.C.Hamilton,Huston Wyeth,C.H.Wallace,C.R.Berry,Jas.N.Burnes, J.T.Johnson,Raymond DuPuy.

Meeting called to order by Vice President Johnson,who stated the object of the meeting,was to pass on the name of Mr.C.F.Hewitt as a member. On motion of Mr.DuPuy and seconded by Mr.Wyeth,said Hewitt was elected as a member and the Secretary was instructed to notify him.

The resignation of J.B.Moss was not accepted and Dr Wallace agreed to see him and report.

The resignation of M.A.Reed was not accepted,and Jas.N.Burnes agreed to see him and report.

The resignation of B.J.Woodson was not accepted and Dr.Wallace agreed to see him.

The resignation of Gustave Smith was accepted as he is going to leave the city.

The resignation of J.O.Fairleigh was not accepted and L.C.Hamilton agreed to see him and persuade him to stay.

Mr.Hamilton proposed the name of C.R.Berry as an honorary member stating that he was called away to other fileds,and that he had done so much the past two years to make the Club a success,Mr .Wyeth seconded the motionand Mr.Berry was unanimously elected as an honorary member.

A motion by Mr.Burnes and seconded by Mr.Johnson,allowing Mr.A.D.Cole $25.00 for services rendered in Auditing the Benton Club Books,said motion was carried unanimously and Mr.Burnes as Treasurer was ordered to pay Mr.Cole.There being no other business Mr.DuPuy moved to adjourn.Carried.

L.C.Hamilton,
Secretary.

Benton Club,
St. Joseph, Mo. May 6th, 1904.

Meeting called to order by Vice President, Johnson, who stated the object was to elect 13 Directors to serve for the ensuing year.

Secretary Hamilton read the Annual Report of the Treasurer showing the condition of the Club, which was ordered placed on record.

Vice President Johnson appointed tellers, C.F. Enright, and John Delman to count the vote, and after vote was counted, and result announced, the same was ordered placed on the record. No further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Mr. DuPuy and seconded by E.F. Hartwig, Carried.

L.C. Hamilton,
Secretary.

New Orleans

Harvey Peace

J J Ewell

Z C Rogers

R E Courtjan

C H Matthews

A J Mather

Raymond Culpep

John H Van Brunt

C. B. Fairchild

W. T. Fullerton

R A Brown

L M Smith

L C Hamilton