President Tyler [presiding], Mesdames Krause, Eastman, Tobitt, Messrs. Meyer, Utley and Root.

Mr. Strohm arrived later.

Secretary Milam and Assistant Secretary Bogle were also present.

President TYLER. I think we will come to order.

I am starting in with the immediate question of the responsibilities under the new constitution which we have adopted. If we are to immediately begin to operate under that constitution, it does call for a larger executive board next year, which means that we should request the Nominating Committee to increase the number of nominees to fill those two places, and also the office of treasurer. There is also the question of the Council members.

Have any of you who are versed in parliamentary practice,
a question of the new constitution going into effect immediately?

Miss EASTMAN. Is it constitutional to nominate without a certain amount of notice?

President TYLER. We will have to do some extra-constitutional things.

Secretary MILAM. The new constitution provides that in 1921, certain new people can be elected.

[Portion of new constitution relating to elections read.]

The President may not be aware that when the vote was cast yesterday, she said the ayes have it; the constitution is adopted and goes into effect immediately.

President TYLER. It is a wonder somebody did not challenge me. I have been told that Roberts' Rules of Order state that a new constitution adopted, does not go into effect until the succeeding meeting.

Dr. UTLEY. I remember, when the constitution under which we had been working, was adopted, it provided for the election of certain members of the Executive Board at the meeting in 1909, and they were elected at the meeting of 1909 then and there. So, the constitution went into effect then to that extent.

President TYLER. Shall we, by formal resolution, direct the Nominating Committee to include in its nominations two additional names for the Executive Board?

Secretary MILAM. I should think that a vote instructing the Nominating Committee to nominate the additional officers provided by the new constitution, would be the vote which you would want.

Miss EASTMAN. Yes.
President TYLER. Does Miss Eastman make that motion?
Miss EASTMAN. She does.

President TYLER. Miss Eastman moves that the Nominating Committee be requested to nominate the additional officers required under the new constitution.

Dr. UTLEY. I second it.

Secretary MILAM. It occurs to me that we might find it desirable and safe to have the Committee report to the general session tonight and have the nominations as nominations approved by the Association in a body before they are actually printed in the bulletin. The constitution provides that the nominations shall be made to the Association, who surely have the right to do it.

President TYLER. That would be complicating the election. It would be almost like the election, by vote of the Association, to approve the nominations made when there is only one name for each position.

Dr. UTLEY. It would seem to me it would not complicate it, because by tonight we shall have passed the twenty-four hours preceding the election, so that the election is a matter of form. There would not be any constitutional provision for new officers to be nominated, after eight o'clock tonight. It is not forcing the issue at all. It is merely an attempt to make everything legal and proper.

Mr. ROOT. Instead of having it in that form, could you not pass a resolution in this form, that the Association approve the action of the Executive Board in instructing the Nominating Committee to present the additional nominations called for by the new constitution?

President TYLER. That is really what you want. That is
much less embarrassing to those who are being nominated.

Secretary MILAM. That seems very good.

President TYLER. You would rather not make that your mo-
tion?

Mr. ROOT. I would just as soon move it, that we ask the
Association to ratify and confirm the action of the Executive
Board in requesting the Nominating Committee to submit nomina-
tions for the additional places called for by the new constitu-
tion.

[The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.]

President TYLER. That will be presented tonight.

Is there any other matter that Mr. Utley, Mr. Milam or
any of you think of, that is involved in this question of the
constitutionality of our procedure with these matters pending?

Dr. UTLEY. I would like to ask the members of the Board
if they have given thought as to what the status is in regard
to the publishing activities of the Association and how that
can best and most legally be handled? The constitution adopted
yesterday morning abolished the Publishing Board. No by-law has
yet been adopted providing for the publishing activities of the
Association to be handled by any other body. The by-law that is
to be proposed, provides that the publishing activities be taken
over by the Executive Board.

[Section 17 read.]

President TYLER. That apparently means that if that
passes, this shall be a board appointed outside of the Executive
Board.

Dr. UTLEY. That Editorial Committee would, yes. That is
my understanding.
President TYLER. It seems to me there should be members of the Executive Board on that. I wonder if that is a wise thing, to leave that open that way?

Miss TOBITT. It seems to me wise to appoint that committee.

President TYLER. How about the Finance Committee? The Finance Committee does have certain members of the Executive Board on it.

Mr. ROOT. When the new by-law is adopted, it will be appointed by the Council. The constitution that was passed yesterday keeps the Finance Committee in the same status as it has been.

President TYLER. Would it not be really a wise thing for at least the Chairman of the Publishing Board to be a member of the Executive Board, just as a matter of good organization?

Dr. UTLEY. It would be a very good plan to have the practice continued of having at least one member of the Editorial Committee a member of the Executive Board. I see no reason why that should be the Chairman.

President TYLER. It would not need to be the Chairman.

Dr. UTLEY. I may say frankly that we may not induce the Chairman of the Publishing Board to continue as Chairman of the Editorial Committee. I am afraid we will not be able to, but I hope we may be able to.

Secretary MILAM. I am inclined to agree with the Chairman that from certain standpoints it would be a good thing to have the Chairman a member of the Executive Board, although perhaps not essential. From a good many standpoints, I think it would be advisable for the President of the Association to be an ex-
officio member of the Publishing Board.

President TYLER. I think so too.

Secretary MILAM. There is not anything which the Executive Board can do which comes so near to affecting the policy of the Association as the issuing of publications, and certainly the President ought to be in on that.

President TYLER. I think so too. I feel that the President ought to be very definitely in on publications. I am inclined to think we might suggest to Mr. Sanborne that it would strengthen that by-law to include at least one member of the Executive Board with the President ex-officio a member.

Dr. UTLEY. It has been sort of tentatively understood that the President was ex-officio a member of any committee of the Association, was not only welcome but was constitutionally and legally entitled to sit in on any committee meeting. I rather like that idea, and I wonder if it would not be well to have that provision made, that the President is ex-officio a member of all committees of the Association. I am afraid if the constitution states that the President is ex-officio a member of the Editorial Committee, the inference would be that the President is not an ex-officio member of any other committee. That does not mean that the President can spend the time to attend all meetings of all committees, but has the right to do so.

President TYLER. The President could not possibly do so, but I think preeminently the Publishing Committee, as Mr. Milam suggests, is very close to the heart of the organization. What shall we do about this? Shall we ask that this section be pushed forward for approval? Was that your thought, Mr. Utley?

Dr. UTLEY. I do not know about its being pushed forward,
but if any sections of the by-laws favor passage, I think that should be considered. It is your expectation to bring that up Friday?

President TYLER. Undoubtedly at the business section Friday morning.

[Communication read from Miss Hollis W. Hering, in relation to status of librarians under the immigration laws.]

On motion of Dr. Utley, which was duly seconded, it was:

VOTED, to refer the communication of Miss Hollis W. Hering to the Committee on International Relations for action.

Mr. ROOT. Is there a communication from Mr. Koch in the Secretary's hands?

President TYLER. If all the members have had a communication from Mr. Koch, it will not be necessary to read it.

Secretary MILAM. We have all had it.

President TYLER. The matter is before you as to the suggestion made in Dr. Koch's letter, that he be reimbursed for the expenses which he has incurred, which the sale of the book does not begin to cover. It seems to me that he has in that book made a contribution to the work of the American Library Association in war service, that cannot be overlooked.

Mr. ROOT. Was he asked to write the book by anybody in connection with war service, or was it his own initiative?

Secretary MILAM. It was his own initiative. It was suggested to him that he prepare his first pamphlet. That pamphlet grew the first, second and third book. All the time it was done without expectation of remuneration and, as he said to me personally, he knew all the time he was getting in deeper and deeper, but those were the days when Dr. Utley and I and the rest of them were pretty busy, and if Mr. Koch came in and said
he wanted the approval of $10 for photographs or a plate, the book would never be written, and he took his chance in the hope that he would be reimbursed out of royalties.

President TYLER. It will never be paid for by royalties.

Dr. UTLEY. If he had not written that book we would have to go to considerable expense to put that work on record. I am in favor of paying this.

President TYLER. Shall we limit ourselves, or give a little margin? If we should appropriate $1,000 it would barely cover the things he lists there. Would we be justified in making an appropriation of say an additional $1,000 out of war service funds, to give some sort of honorarium to Dr. Koch for that kind of work?

Dr. MEYER. It seems to me that we would.

Dr. UTLEY. I look with favor on that.

Dr. MEYER. I make the motion that we appropriate $2,000 out of war service funds to reimburse Dr. Koch for his work in preparing and publishing the history of library war service.

Miss EASTMAN. I second that.

[Motion carried.]

Secretary MILAM. Are the President and Secretary ready to report on the American Library in Paris? I fear they are not.

President TYLER. I think we are not ready to report. I have conversed with one or two gentlemen. They are about ready to say that they will really consider it.

Secretary MILAM. The other two items on the docket are very likely to be considered as appropriate for the new board rather than the present board, but they are here for your action if you wish. The first is the traveling book exhibit suggestion which came from Miss Frank, and which is now incorpo-
rated in the report of the Publicity Committee as published in the Bulletin.

President TYLER. The book wagon letter went to all of you, did it not?

Secretary MILAM. No; it went to only two or three.

Dr. MEYER. I would suggest that the Board just approve of that idea and pass it on to the incoming Board for further action.

Secretary MILAM. There is the matter of the appointment of a delegate to the conference on education in Honolulu in August. We are asked to send an official delegate at our expense.

President TYLER. Could we appoint a delegate already on the ground?

Secretary MILAM. There is a delegate from Honolulu to this conference.

President TYLER. Miss Wetter is going to the Territorial Library as cataloguer, and she is a very intelligent, fine woman.

Miss EASTMAN. How about Miss Allyn?

President TYLER. I think Miss Allyn would be very properly so. I should be happy to have Miss Allyn. Do you not think it would be quite proper to ask the Territorial Librarian to represent the A.L.A.?

Dr. MEYER. Yes, I do. Miss Wetter is just going over there.

Miss EASTMAN. I move that Miss Allyn, the Territorial Librarian, be constituted to delegate to the Congress on Education, in Honolulu, August 11th to 21st.

Dr. MEYER. I second it.
The motion was put and unanimously carried.

Communication read from Mr. Paine in reference to endowment of library for working men. This communication was referred to the headquarters office.

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