

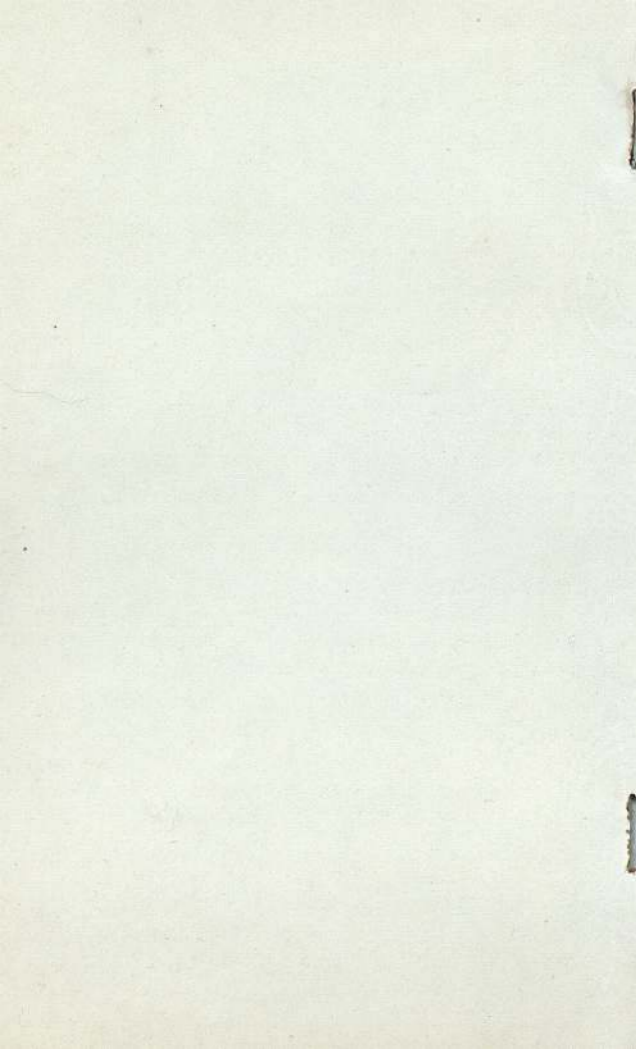
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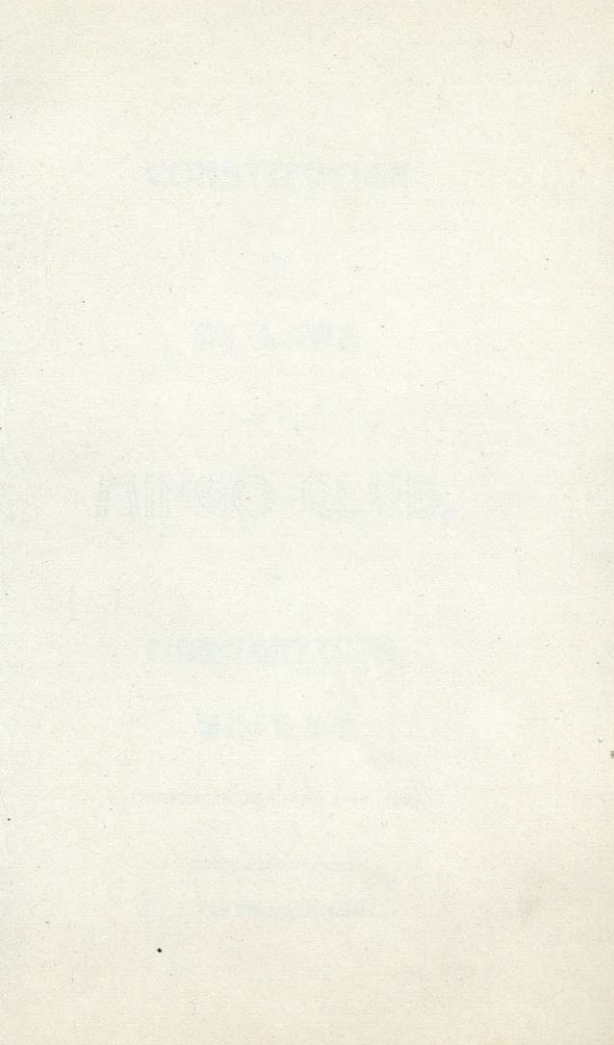
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MINGO CLUB,
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WEST VA.

ORGANIZED JANUARY 21ST, 1895.

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CONSTITUTION
OF THE
Mingo Club of Morgantown,
WEST VIRGINIA.

ARTICLE I.

This organization shall be known as the Mingo Club of Morgantown, W. Va.

ARTICLE II.

The purposes of this organization are: First, the maintenance of a club for innocent and athletic sports; Second, the maintenance of a Club for social enjoyments and a reading room.

ARTICLE III.

The business of this organization shall be transacted in Morgantown, W. Va.

ARTICLE IV.

This organization shall be perpetual, subject to dissolution under the provisions of the Act

of Assembly of the Commonwealth of West Virginia.

ARTICLE V.

The directors of this corporation shall be seven in number.

BY-LAWS
OF THE
Mingo Club of Morgantown,
WEST VIRGINIA.

ARTICLE I.

The officers of this Club shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Board of Directors, consisting of 5 members, besides the President and the Vice-President, who shall be elected by the Club on the 2d Monday of January of each year and hold office for one year, and until their successors are elected.

ARTICLE II.

The President and Vice-President shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE III.

Should the office of President, Vice-President, Secretary or Treasurer become vacant,

the Board of Directors shall call a meeting of the Club to elect a successor. Should any other vacancy occur the Board shall have power to fill such vacancy.

ARTICLE IV.

The President shall preside at all meetings, maintain order and enforce the Constitution, By-Laws, Rules and Regulations of the Club, and shall, at the written request of five members, or whenever he may deem proper, direct the Secretary to call special meetings.

ARTICLE V.

The Vice-President shall, in the absence of the President, preside at meetings and act in his stead.

ARTICLE VI.

The Treasurer shall receive all moneys from the Secretary and deposit the same to his credit as Treasurer in such Bank as shall be designated by the Board of Directors. He shall in no case pay out any moneys of the Club except upon the order of the President or Vice-President and Secretary. He shall present a statement of his account as Treasurer at each regular meeting of the Board of Directors and shall make such other statements relating

to his duties as may be from time to time called for by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VII.

The Secretary shall perform all the duties appertaining to his office, and in addition thereto he shall keep a current account with each member, collect all moneys and pay the same over to the Treasurer. His books shall at all reasonable times be open to the inspection of members, and he shall make such reports from his books and accounts as may from time to time be called for by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Board of Directors shall have and exercise a general supervision of the affairs of the Club, control and manage its effects, and shall make all necessary purchases and contracts, but shall have no power to make the Club liable for any debt to an amount beyond that, which at the time of contracting, shall be in the Treasurer's hands in cash and not subject to prior liabilities. They shall meet on the 2nd Monday of each month, at which time the Secretary shall present his financial report of the Club to the beginning of the current month, which report shall be submitted to an Auditor to be appointed by the directors to

examine and report on same. Four members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for business. Less than four Directors may adjourn from time to time until a quorum shall have convened. The Board of Directors shall have power to use or permit the use of the Club's name for any social, literary or other entertainment, or series of social, literary or other entertainments; provided, they receive a written request from at least fifteen of the members, agreeing to be responsible to them for all expenses incurred. All expenses shall be pro-rated and borne between the Club members participating, which shall mean all those who sign the request to the Directors and any members who may afterward conclude to take part, and any profits arising from any entertainment or series of entertainments shall inure to the benefit of the Club, and be paid into the treasury of the Club. All Club members and their lady friends shall be entitled to be present. Each member shall be entitled to one invitation for a non-resident friend, and the issuing of more than one shall be at the option of the Directors, who may invite any non-residents they desire to be present. No resident of Morgantown shall be invited, except by special action of the Club at a meeting called to consider the same. Every member of

the club shall receive due notice of any proposed entertainment or series of entertainments. The Board of Directors may make any other regulations, not conflicting with foregoing, and appoint any committee necessary for details of the entertainment or series of entertainments proposed to be given.

ARTICLE IX.

The membership of this club shall consist of one hundred members. Any person of the age of twenty years, or more, may become a member of this Club, according as a vacancy exists upon making application in writing to the Board of Directors, who shall post the name and residence of the party proposed on the Bulletin Board one week previous to any regular or special meeting of the club, at which meeting he shall be balloted for, and if upon balloting there shall not be three black balls, he shall be declared elected. Any person who may be rejected shall not again be balloted for as an applicant for membership for a period of six months. Every person elected as a member of the Club shall, before enjoying the rights and privileges of such membership, sign the following agreement:

I,,
having been elected a member of the Mingo

Club hereby bind myself to keep and comply with the Constitution and By-Laws of said Club; and in consideration of enjoying the privileges of such membership, I agree to pay into the treasury of the Club for its use the same dues that are required to be paid by regular members. I further agree that I may at any time be expelled from membership in the Club for the same causes and in like manner as a regular member could be expelled, and in case of any such expulsion, that I shall have no right to have refunded to me any portion of the dollars paid by me into the treasury of the Club at the time of making application for membership.

NON-RESIDENT MEMBERSHIP.

Any member of this Club in good standing, removing beyond the limits of Monongalia county, W. Va., can become a non-resident member of the Club by giving to the Secretary notice in writing of his desire so to do. Such notice shall be accompanied by an assignment of his interest in the Club. On receipt of such notice and assignment it shall be the duty of the Secretary to place the name of such member upon the roll as a non-resident member of the Club, and he shall thereafter, during the continuance of his non-resident membership

be liable to pay to the Club one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) of the dues chargeable to a regular member.

Any non-resident member who shall return and reside within the limits of Monongalia County shall, within thirty (30) days after his return, serve notice upon the Secretary of his desire to be reinstated as a regular member of the Club, and upon receipt of such notice, if a vacancy then exists, it shall be the duty of the Secretary to place the name of such person upon the roll as a regular member of the Club, and thereafter such person shall be liable to pay dues and to enjoy all the benefits of regular members of the Club. Any non-resident member neglecting to give notice of his desire to be re-instated to regular membership within thirty (30) days after his return to a residence in Monongalia County, shall cease to have any membership in the Club and shall be dropped from the rolls as a non-resident member, and shall not enjoy the right to become a member, except by election as if he had never been a member of the Club. Any person heretofore a member of this Club, and who has left the same in good standing, and who is not at present a resident of Monongalia County, may become a non resident member of this Club at any time within ninety days (90) days after the

passage of this by-law by serving notice upon the Secretary of his desire to become such.

ARTICLE X.

The monthly dues from all members shall be \$2.00 each, for the first six months, beginning January 1st, 1895, and thereafter one dollar per month, payable in advance on the 2nd Monday of each month; provided that all members elected on or before the fifteenth day of the month shall be liable for the dues of the current month.

ARREARS.

Any member failing to pay his dues within fifteen days after the same shall have become due shall have his name posted upon the Bulletin, and notice thereof shall be mailed to him at his usual address by the Secretary, and upon failure to pay within fifteen days after the mailing of such notice, his membership in the Club may be declared forfeited by a vote of the Club. A member thus forfeiting his membership may be reinstated within three months after forfeiture by a two-thirds vote of the entire membership of the Club and upon payment of all arrears. Cash payments shall be made for all supplies and for all the facilities of the Club furnished to members.

ARTICLE XI.

Members can resign from the Club by giving

notice in writing to the President, but no resignation shall be accepted if the member be in arrears for dues or otherwise. Upon acceptance of such resignation, all interest in the property of the Club of the member resigning shall be vested in the Club absolutely, and this shall apply also to the case of any member ceasing to be a member from any other cause; provided, that any member whose resignation is accepted, and who goes to reside outside of Monongalia County, returning within two years thereafter, and if the Club has not meantime dissolved and the limit of membership under the charter will admit, may again become a member in manner required for new members in Article IX, except that he shall not be under necessity of purchasing a share of stock; or paying any initiation fee, but he shall pay at the rate of one quarter of the regular dues into the Club funds for each month of his absence in lieu thereof, and any member so reinstated shall regain his original interest in the Club property. This shall apply to all members who resigned since the commencement of the Club.

In case the membership is full at the time of application for reinstatement by such resigned member, the Club, by a two-thirds vote at any regular or special meeting called for the pur-

pose, may extend to such applicant all the privileges of the Club, except voting, until he shall be balloted for; providing, said applicant pay each month an amount equal to the dues paid by members; and, further providing that this privilege may be withdrawn at any time by a two-thirds vote at any regular or special meeting called for the purpose and without any notice to said applicant. If, upon being balloted for, he should fail to be elected, all privileges thus extended to cease at once.

ARTICLE XII.

Any member causing injury to any property of the Club shall repair the same or replace it at his own expense, and if neglected the Board of Directors shall cause the same to be done and charge the amount to the offending member, who shall pay the same within fifteen days.

ARTICLE XIII.

No member shall take away from the Club rooms, upon any pretence, any property of the Club, unless upon such terms as may be decided upon by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XIV.

At no meeting of the Club shall any subject be introduced or discussed which does not relate directly to its affairs.

ARTICLE XV.

Any member at his own expense, shall have the privilege of introducing a friend to the Club, who shall have all the privileges of the Club for the day; provided, no person resident of Morgantown shall be introduced by any member more than once a month, and the privilege hereby granted shall be subjected to Article VIII. hereof,

ARTICLE XVI.

No person who is not a member shall be admitted to any meeting of the Club without permission of the presiding officer.

ARTICLE XVII.

For any ungentlemanly conduct in the rooms of the Club or willful breach of the Constitution, By-Laws or Rules of the Club, the offending member may be suspended or expelled by a two-thirds vote at any meeting. No action shall be taken unless the member is present or shall have been notified by the Secretary of the intended action of the Club, so that he may offer a defense.

ARTICLE XVIII.

No gambling in any form will be allowed in the Club rooms, and no game of Billiards or Pool shall be played on Sunday, and the Club

shall not handle any intoxicating liquors. No member of this Club or friend visiting the Club, shall be admitted to the Club rooms while under the influence of liquor, and no member or friend shall become intoxicated while in the Club rooms. Members violating these regulations may be fined, suspended or expelled from membership in the Club and all rights as such forfeited, by a two-thirds vote at any meeting.

ARTICLE XIX.

The Club may from time to time adopt standing rules, subject to provisions in these By-Laws.

ARTICLE XX.

The President shall, after his election, appoint the following committees, who shall act for the ensuing year and until their successors are appointed: Room and Supply, Billiard, Library and Gymnasium, each to consist of three members, one of whom shall be a member of the Board of Directors. The duties of each Committee shall be as follows: Room and Supply Committee to take charge of the Rooms and have authority to make such regulations as in their opinion may be necessary, not inconsistent with the By-Laws and Rules but subject to the control of the Board of

Directors; to purchase any necessary supplies, such purchases not to exceed five (5) dollars in any one month without the approval of the Board of Directors. The Billiard Committee to have charge of the Billiard tables and appurtenances, keeping the same in necessary repair, but not to contract any indebtedness in any one month exceeding five (5) dollars without the approval of the Board of Directors. The Library Committee to have charge of the Books and appurtenances, keeping the same in necessary repair, but no indebtedness to be contracted in any one month exceeding five (5) dollars without the approval of the Board of Directors. The Gymnasium Committee to have charge of the gymnasium and apparatus pertaining to the same, but no indebtedness to be contracted in any one month exceeding five (5) dollars without the approval of the Board of Directors. Whenever called upon by the Board of Directors these committees shall report in detail to said Board, giving an account of their transactions and offering any suggestions they may have for the good of the Club.

ARTICLE XXI.

The regular meetings of the Club, at which any business brought forward may be trans-

acted, shall be held on the Second Monday night of each month, at eight o'clock. Ten members of the Club shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business consistent with the Constitution and By-Laws. Less than a quorum may adjourn from time to time until a quorum shall have convened. The order of business will be as follows:

- 1st. Reading and approving of the minutes of previous meetings.
- 2d. Report of Officers.
- 3d. Report of Committees.
- 4th. Unfinished Business.
- 5th. New Business.
- 6th. Election of Officers.

ARTICLE XXII.

The foregoing By-Laws and Rules of the Club, may be altered, amended or rescinded by a vote of one-half of the whole membership of the Club at a regular meeting of the Club or a special meeting called for that purpose; provided, that all proposed changes be presented in writing, signed by five or more members at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors, and said proposed changes shall be posted on the Bulletin Board at least one week previous to meeting at which they shall be acted on. Any By-Laws

may be suspended at any meeting, by unanimous consent of the members, such suspension to terminate with the meeting.

In all matters relating to rules of order, where there is no express provision in the Constitution and By-Laws, Cushing's Manual shall be the standard.

List of Charter Members of the
Mingo Club of Morgantown,
West Virginia, viz :

<i>H. L. SCRAFFORD,</i>	<i>R. DeROODE,</i>
<i>D. H. COURTNEY,</i>	<i>E. M. GRANT,</i>
<i>WALTER MADERA,</i>	<i>B. H. MADERA,</i>
<i>GEO. M. JOHN,</i>	<i>GEO. T. LITTLE,</i>
<i>C. R. HUSTON,</i>	<i>E. A. SCRAFFORD,</i>
<i>JOS. H. McDERMOTT,</i>	<i>F. J. UTTERBACK,</i>
<i>B. L. MORGAN,</i>	<i>H. L. COOGLE,</i>
<i>J. J. KENNEY,</i>	<i>C. W. HUSTON,</i>
<i>T. W. HAYES,</i>	<i>A. L. LOWRIE,</i>
<i>J. H. McGREW,</i>	<i>W. W. HAYES,</i>
<i>W. H. MORGAN,</i>	<i>R. A. ARMSTRONG,</i>
<i>E. C. FRAME,</i>	<i>I. C. WHITE,</i>
<i>J. C. PICKENPAUGH,</i>	<i>C. E. MILLER,</i>
<i>J. R. MILLER,</i>	<i>H. F. GEORGE,</i>
<i>R. E. FAST,</i>	<i>D. L. BABCOCK,</i>
<i>E. SHISLER,</i>	<i>C. W. KENNEDY,</i>
<i>J. W. MEMINGER,</i>	<i>JAS. P. FITCH,</i>
<i>J. M. REED,</i>	<i>MILT'N HIRSCHMAN</i>
<i>JNO L. JOHNSTON,</i>	<i>I. McCOY,</i>
<i>W. MOORHEAD,</i>	<i>J. C. McVICKER.</i>
<i>C. B. DILLE,</i>	

