

Philadelphia, Pa.
November 6, 1939.

At a regular meeting of the Directors of John T. Lewis & Bros. Company, held this day in their offices in the Widener Building, there were present:

Edward F. Beale, Chairman of the Board
S. French Reeves, Vice President and Treasurer
Morris H. Merritt, Secretary
Leonard T. Beale, Director

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Edward F. Beale, who presided, and Mr. Morris H. Merritt reported the minutes of the meeting.

The minutes of our meeting of October 30 were read and approved.

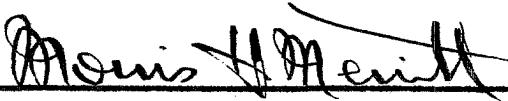
Mr. Reeves stated that he had gone to Baltimore last Friday to investigate the question of tearing down the building on our property 1013-19 East Fayette Street. However, inasmuch as the tax rates have already been set for the coming year, there is no particular advantage in tearing down this building just now, particularly as there may be several parties who are interested in renting it. Therefore it was decided that it will be better to wait until next summer and see how matters develop. Tax rates are established on October 1 of each year for the following year, so if nothing develops by next June, Mr. Reeves has arranged to have the building torn down.

A request for contribution from the Lewis Company to the Central YMCA Completion Fund was presented, but it was felt that under the National Lead Company regulations we could do nothing about it. Likewise, Mr. Reeves read a letter from Mr. Charles Jarden of the Sherwin-Williams Company asking that the Lewis Company contribute \$100. together with the Sherwin-Williams Company and the DuPont Company, who would pledge similar amounts, to the American Red Cross for the coming campaign. This also was turned down.

The regular weekly report of shipments was submitted.

In view of the very poor condition of the linoleum in this office and inasmuch as all of it is over eleven years old, it was decided to arrange for new linoleum at a total cost of \$1296. Mr. Reeves will contact Mr. Warshaw on this subject.

There being no further business, upon motion the meeting adjourned.


Secretary.

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