

Philadelphia, Pa.,  
January 8, 1945.

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

J. W. Gardiner, President  
S. F. Reeves, Vice President  
A. M. Wilson, Vice President  
L. T. Beale, Director

The meeting was called to order by Mr. J. W. Gardiner, who presided, and Mr. A. M. Wilson reported the minutes of the meeting.

The minutes of the meeting of December 26, were read and approved.

Mr. Reeves presented an application for pension on behalf of Mr. William Harry Beckwith, to become effective February 1, 1945, Mr. Beckwith will reach the age of seventy on January 21. Inasmuch as Mr. Beckwith will have reached the compulsory retirement age it was unanimously decided to submit this application to the National Lead Company's Pension Board for approval.

Mr. Reeves stated that our Union contract at the factory expires this month, and negotiations for the renewal thereof are currently under way, a progress report of which will be given at subsequent meetings.

Business conditions in general were discussed.

The regular report of deliveries for the week ending January 5, 1945, together with a report for the end of the year 1944, were submitted by Mr. Wilson.

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

  
A. M. Wilson, Acting Secretary.