

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

New York, N.Y.

September 15, 1949

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lead Industries Association was held on Thursday, September 15, 1949, at 3:30 P.M., in the office of Association.

PRESENT

Norman Hickman
S. D. Strauss
A. E. Bendelari
J. A. Martino
F. E. Wormser
G. H. LeFevre

REPRESENTING

American Metal Co. Ltd.
American Smelting & Refining Company
Eagle Picher Company
National Lead Company
St. Joseph Lead Company
United States Smelting Refining & Mining Co. Inc.

OTHERS

D. A. Merson
C. R. Ince

National Lead Company
St. Joseph Lead Company

Robert L. Siegfeld, Secretary-Treasurer.

Mr. Wormser occupied the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting of May 12, 1949, were approved.

MEMBERSHIP

Tintic Standard Mining Co. - The resignation of the Tintic Standard Mining Co., occasioned by the fact that the Mine is now shut down, was accepted with regret as the Company had been a charter member of the Association and had given the Association enthusiastic support for many years.

The secretary was instructed to advise the Tintic Standard Mining Co. that in view of its long membership, it would be carried along as a member to the end of 1949.

The secretary explained that when the membership of the Tintic Standard Mining Co., is terminated a vacancy will be created on the Board as Mr. James W. Wade of that Company has been a director for many years. This vacancy could only be filled at an annual meeting of the members.

General Lead Manufacturing Co. - The secretary reported that through correspondence with the General Lead Manufacturing Co., that Company had reconsidered its resignation and had decided to con-

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Division program, in which it is greatly interested, would be revitalized.

KETTERING LABORATORY POSTGRADUATE COURSE

The secretary read an invitation to him to speak at the postgraduate course on The Lead Problem in Industry, at the University of Cincinnati, College of Medicine, on November 7, 1949, as per exhibit "A" attached.

The secretary was instructed to accept the invitation and to pay his own expenses, if necessary. He was also instructed to provide the additional information requested in the letter.

CITIZENS COMMITTEE ON THE HOOVER REPORT

A letter from the Citizens Committee on the Hoover Report, requesting assistance in publicizing among the membership the desirability of urging on Congress prompt adoption of the program, was submitted for consideration.

As many of the member companies represented had received similar requests, it was felt unnecessary for the Association to take action.

MINE PRODUCTION REPORTS

The secretary reported that a number of the mining companies who had been contributing lead production data to the Association's Domestic Lead Mine Production Report, Form E, are now shut down, some indicating that the shut down may be more or less permanent. He requested guidance as to whether the completed reports should be sent to these mines in the future and recommended that this be done in order that reports from these companies might be more easily solicited if and when the mines reopen.

The Board decided that the Association should continue to send the completed reports to shut down mines that had been cooperating in the collection of the mine production data.

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

Western Electric Co. - The objection of the Western Electric Co., to the high subscription rate for its membership in the Association, previously discussed at the Executive Committee meeting on July 27, 1949, was again considered. At that time a ceiling of \$1,000 was temporarily placed on the manufacturers of "assembled articles," in which class of membership the Western Electric Co. falls.

The secretary was instructed to negotiate with the Western Electric Co. to determine what it considered a fair subscription, and submit his findings at a later meeting.

VACANCY ON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The vacancy on the Executive Committee, created by the amendment to the By-Laws adopted at a meeting of the Board of Directors on May 12, 1949, was considered.

The Board unanimously decided to invite the Eagle-Picher Co. to be represented on the Executive Committee, thus filling this vacancy upon acceptance of that Company.

ANNUAL STATISTICAL REVIEW

The secretary suggested that a substantial saving could be made in the printing of the Association's Annual Statistical Review if the weekly reports of pig lead sales were omitted from the Review and only the monthly summary included. He felt that the weekly reports were of no particular value in an annual review and reported that a saving of approximately \$175 could be made by eliminating the twelve pages which they occupied.

The Board approved elimination of the weekly pig lead sales reports from the Annual Statistical Review.

ROTATION OF DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

At the meeting of the Board of Directors on May 12, 1949, the secretary was instructed to investigate the possibilities of providing for rotation of Directors and Executive Committee members of the Association. He stated that a study of the problem indicated both advantages and disadvantages.

It was decided, inasmuch as there had been no particular criticism of the present arrangement, no action would be taken on rotation at the present time.

L. I. A. STATISTICS

The secretary informed the Board that he had had frequent requests to release publicly more of the statistics of the Lead Industries Association. He stated that at present only the statistics of lead pigments are released for publication and that the principal interest among those asking for release of statistics was in the Weekly Pig Lead Sales Report.

The Board decided that no further publicity should be given Association statistics at this time.

ADVERTISEMENT ON HERCULES PLASTIC LEAD

The secretary called attention to an advertisement in the ILLINOIS MASTER PLUMBER of a product called "Hercules Plastic Lead" advocated for calking soil pipe, among other things, and pointing out that one pound of "Plastic Lead" does the work of 10 pounds of calking lead. The secretary stated that preliminary investigation indicated that this product contained no lead and suggested that since the name is misleading the Association might file a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission.

The secretary was instructed to have the product analyzed for lead and if it contained no lead to file a complaint with the Federal Trade Commission. .

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 P.M.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Robert L. Zeigler". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name "Secretary".

Secretary.

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The Kettering Laboratory of Applied Physiology
College of Medicine - Eden Avenue
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September 10, 1949

Mr. Robert L. Ziegfeld
Lead Industries Association
420 Lexington Avenue
New York 17, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Ziegfeld:

We should like to invite you to be the keynote speaker for our postgraduate course on "The Lead Problem in Industry" here at the Kettering Laboratory on November 7th at 10:00 AM. The suggested topic is "Present Industrial Significance of Lead". We feel assured that you are very capable of handling this topic and in keynoting the week's discussions. Fifty minutes has been assigned for your address. I hope this is adequate. If it is not, we will be glad to extend your time.

You are also invited to continue in the discussions of the week as our guest. We will be glad to make hotel reservations for you for that period if you will so inform us. The funds available at this time do not permit us to offer you an honorarium but your expenses will be defrayed by the Institute of Industrial Health.

Could you please forward to us a mailing list of the member companies of the Lead Industries Association. We would also like to know their medical directors if that information is available to you. Could we have this information at your office's earliest convenience as we would like to begin sending out our program.

Sincerely,

DJL:rms

D. J. Lauer, M.D.

P.S. A program will be forwarded as soon as they are available.

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