

Philadelphia, Pa.
June 22, 1942.

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

Edward F. Beale, Chairman of the Board
J. W. Gardiner, President
S. French Reeves, Vice President
A. M. Wilson, Vice President
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 June 15 were read and approved.

Mr. Gardiner read extracts from his letter to Mr. Geatty of June 16, 1942 regarding the savings which would result from moving the Philadelphia Solder Company to our Lewis plant. He expects to discuss this matter further with Mr. Geatty the next time he is in New York.

On motion by Mr. L. T. Beale and seconded by Mr. Gardiner, it was decided to appropriate \$100.00 to the Philadelphia branch of the Navy Relief Fund, but not to solicit funds from our employees for same.

Mr. Gardiner was authorized to vote affirmatively on the proposed merger of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce and the Philadelphia Board of Trade.

Mr. Reeves reported the following comparative figures for the first five months of 1941 and 1942, including estimated taxes but without including any New York overhead:

May 1942 - Profit \$16,108.75	1st 5 months 1942 - Profit \$115,733.14
May 1941 - Profit \$18,418.29	1st 5 months 1941 - Profit \$171,301.11

On motion duly made and seconded the annual fire awards for 1942 for 18 employees in the Lewis Fire Department were approved at a net cost of \$156.00.

Mr. Reeves referred to the black-out which is scheduled in this area for tomorrow night and explained that our factory will probably be allowed to operate except during the half hour of total black-out.

On motion made by Mr. L. T. Beale and seconded by Mr. Reeves, it was decided to apply for an appropriation of \$3,045.00 to establish a control laboratory in our #2 Oxide Department. This was originally planned some time ago when the #2 Oxide Department was first built, but the laboratory was never established. A G&R application will be sent to New York in the regular way.

Mr. Wilson referred to the fact that a boatload of flaxseed is just being unloaded in Philadelphia, which will probably last us until September 15. On the other hand, it will probably be the last lot of seed that will come in to us from the Argentine for quite some time and therefore we should make a special effort to conserve it until the domestic crop is ripe.

The regular weekly report of shipments for the week ending June 19 was submitted.

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