



Constitution and By
Laws of Hebrew Benevolent
Society Allegheny Co.

Preamble

To provide in the best manner possible, for the relief of our unfortunate and indigent brethren, and to alleviate their sufferings, we Citizens of Penna. whose names are hereto subscribed, hereby unite into a Benevolent Society, and for the government of the same, adopt the following Constitution and By Laws.

Article I

The name, style and title of this organization shall be: "The Hebrew Benevolent Society of Allegheny County."

Article II

Sec. I. The object of this Society shall be, to grant temporary

relief, to poor and helpless
 Israelites, under such regulations
 and restrictions as may hereafter
 be adopted.

Article III

Sec I The funds of the Society shall
 be derived from annual subscriptions,
 donations, legacies, yearly dues and
 fines.

Article III

Sec I Any Israelite, may become
 a member of this Society, and
 after signing the Constitution, can
 vote at all meetings held by
 the Society, and be eligible
~~to be elected~~ to the various offices.

Sec II Every member, shall pay in
 advance, such dues as may be
 assessed by the Society, and any
 member paying ten years dues in
 advance, shall be declared a

life member

Article II

Sect I A stated meeting of this Society shall be held in the month of March of each year, at which election of officers shall be held, and if from any cause, no election takes place, the officers of the preceding year, shall continue until a new election can be held, "viz" at a special meeting convened for that purpose by the President.

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is an election by majority

Article VI

The officers shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and seven Directors, who shall constitute a Board of Managers, whose number may be increased as herein after provided for.

Article VII

The Society shall have power to make such By-laws for the government of the same, as they may deem necessary, not conflicting with this Constitution or the Constitution and Laws of the state.

Article VIII

No part of this Constitution shall be altered, amended, or additions made thereto, unless a proposition is made in writing, at a regular or special meeting, acted on at another one, to be called for that purpose and adopted by a two thirds majority of the members present. On calling said meeting the secretary shall notify the members of its purpose.

Article I

By Laws. ~~Rules of Order~~
 Sect I Every meeting shall be opened
 half an hour after the time specified
 Sect II The Proceedings of each
 meeting, shall be in the following order.
 A. The minutes of the preceding
 meeting shall be read, and acted
 upon.

B. Unfinished Business

C. Communications

D. Reports of Committees or Officers.

E. New Business

F. Election of Officers

Sect III Every motion must be
 produced ⁱⁿ writing, if so requested
 by the chair.

Sect IV All reports must be made
 in writing, and those from
 Committees must be signed by
 a majority of the Panel.

Sect V The presiding Officer, shall appoint two tellers to conduct all elections.

Sect VI The year, and days shall be taken at the request of four members at meetings of the Society, and of two at the meetings of the Board, and shall be entered on the minutes.

Sect VII At special meetings no business shall be transacted, except that for which the meeting is called.

Sect VIII All votes shall be given viva voce, unless otherwise provided for.

Sect IX A motion to reconsider must be seconded by two members, who like the mover must have voted affirmatively on the original question, and shall not be

received, after the meeting next
 following that, at which the
 original question was acted upon,
 unless by the consent of two
 thirds of the members present.

Sec^t 4 No member shall speak
 more than twice on the same
 subject, without permission from
 the chair.

Article II President
 Sec^t 1 The President or presiding officer
 shall appoint all Committees, vote
 on Elections of officers and members,
 but in no other case, except in case
 of a tie vote, when his vote
 shall be decisive.

Sec^t 2 If he intends leaving the
 City for more than three days
 he shall notify the Vice President.

sect. III He shall have the custody of the seal of the Society.

sect. IV He shall preside at all meetings of the Society, sign all orders for money, and all benefactions granted by the Board.

Article III Vice Pres.

The Vice President shall act in the absence of the President.

Article IV

Treasurer.

The Treasurer shall have charge of all the funds, and valuable papers, keep accurate account of the receipts and expenditures, pay out no money, except upon orders properly signed by the President and Secretaries. He shall give such security for the faithful performance of his duties, as the Board may approve. His account

shall be audited, at the expiration of his term of office, or at any time at the option of the Board.

Article V Secretary
The Secretary shall have charge of the accounts, and make out all Bills for collection. All monies collected shall be paid, and unpaid bills returned to the Secretary, when he shall immediately pay the same to the Treasurer. All orders shall be drawn in duplicate, and the original check shall state the date, name, in whose favor, by whom signed, and for what purpose the order was drawn.

Article VI ^{Message} messenger
The Board shall have power to elect a messenger, and pay him such compensation, as they may deem proper for his services, they shall also take such

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security, as they may deem sufficient
for the faithful performance of
his duties, which shall be designated
by the Board.

Article VIII

Sec I There shall be monthly
meetings of the Board of Managers

Sec II The Board shall have power
to adopt such regulations for their
government, as may be expedient
for the systematic distribution of charity,
not inconsistent with the Constitution.
They shall have power to make con-
tracts for the delivery of the bene-
factious upon their orders, and
shall engage not more than two
physicians.

Sec III If deemed convenient for
the better transaction of business,
the Board may divide itself into
Committee, for the purpose of apporportion

ning to them, the duties devolving on them, under the Constitution!

If other Committees are needed, they may be appointed and special power delegated to them from time to time.

Sec. II The Board of Managers shall have power to fill any vacancy that may occur until the next election.

Sec. IV Five members shall constitute a quorum of the Board.

Sec. III The Board of Managers shall constitute a visiting Committee, and the President shall have power to appoint, as he deems proper, so many members, to act in conjunction with the Board in this capacity, should occasion require it.

Article VIII

Sect I The benefactions shall consist of groceries, flour, bread, meat, fuel, clothing, bedding, furnitures, materials for work, medical attendance, nurses in case of necessity and money.

Sect II No relief shall be granted, except on the recommendation of not less than two visitors for the district wherein the applicant may reside. In case of emergency the President may grant relief not exceeding six dollars, to be reported at the first meeting thereafter.

Article IX

The President shall have the power of granting relief in money not exceeding ten dollars, to any transient poor, who he deems worthy of charity.

A Record of names, age, sex
and occupation shall be kept by
the Secretary, and no applicant
shall be entitled to relief,
more than once in a year.

Article ~~XI~~ 10

Sec I No member one year
in arrear shall be allowed
to vote, or hold office.

Sec II A member wishing to
resign, must do so in writing
and have paid all arrears.

Sec III Any member not paying
his annual subscription for two years,
or refusing to pay his fines,
may be expelled by the Board,
unless excused by them, or the
fines remitted.

Article XII

The President shall convene
the Society, whenever five members
of the Board of Managers

or ten members of the Society shall request it, provided such request is made in writing.

Article XIV

At all meetings of the Society it shall require fifteen members to constitute a quorum, for the transaction of business.

Article XIII

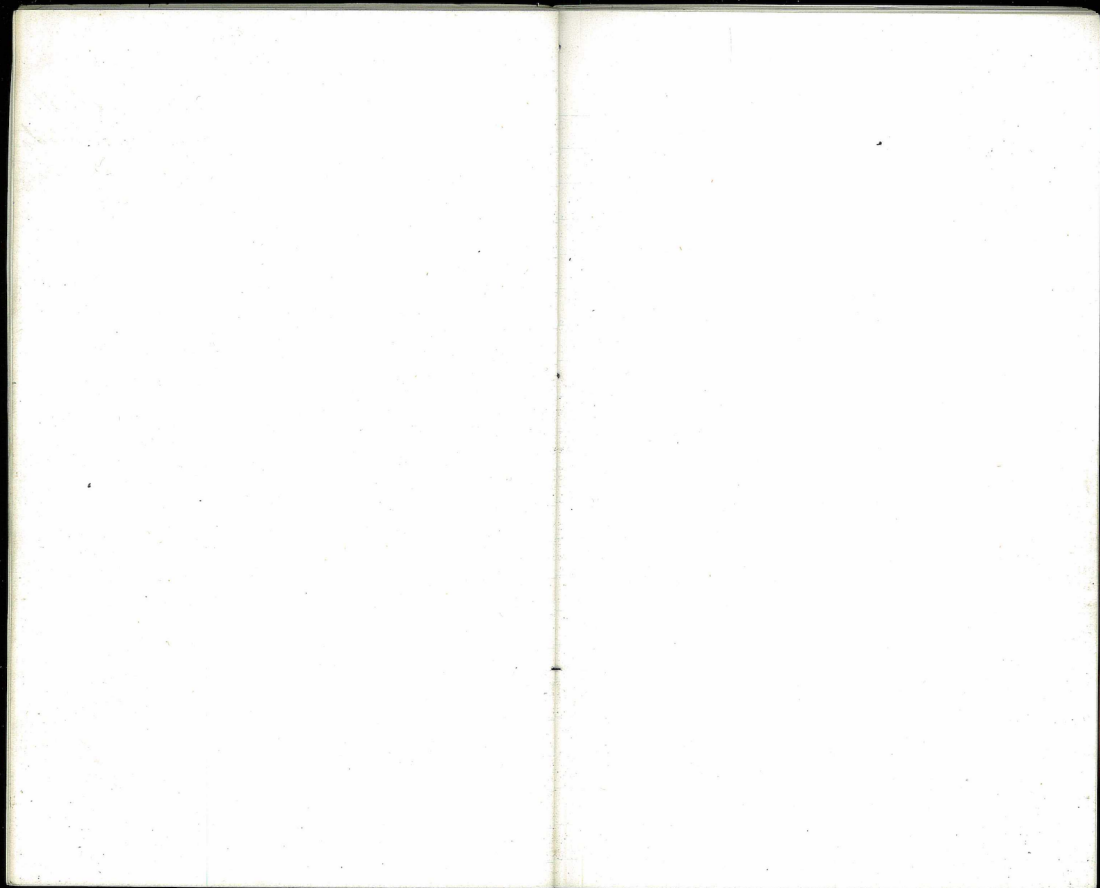
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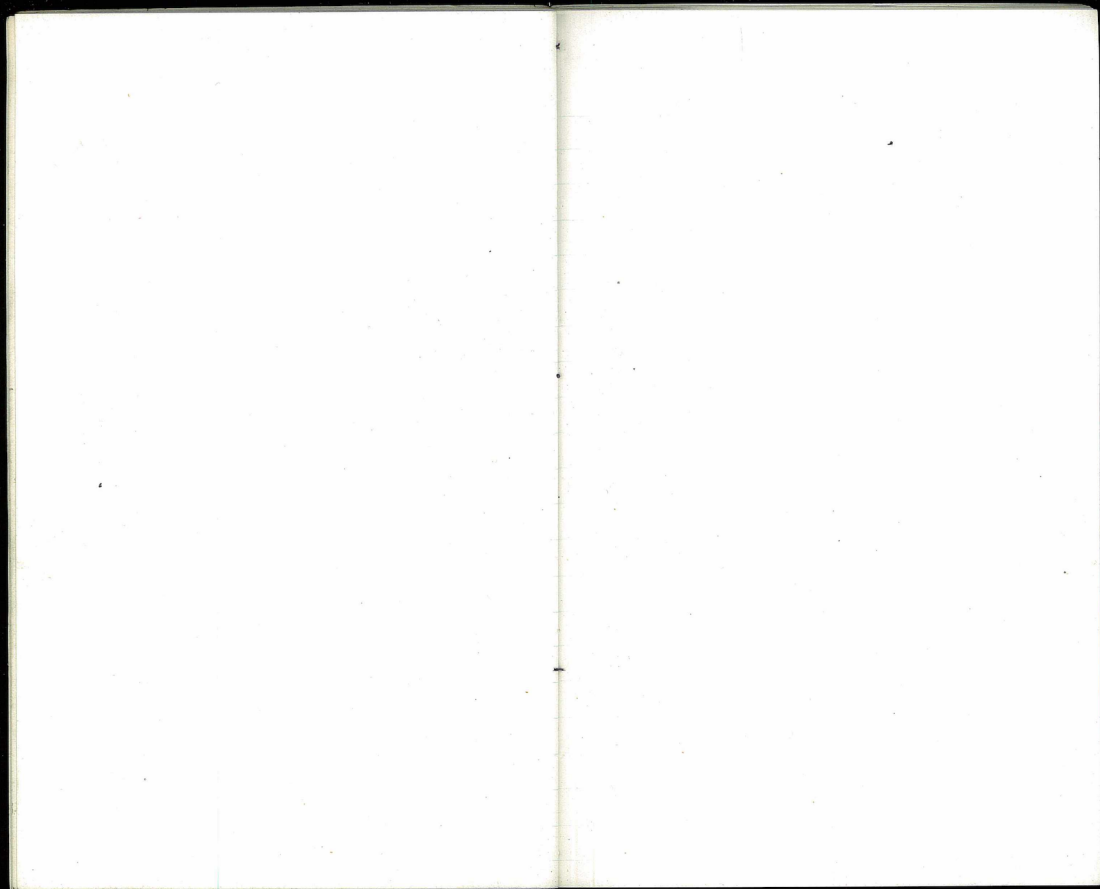
Behaving unbecoming at a meeting	\$ 1.00
Second offence	2.00
Leaving a meeting without permission	2.00

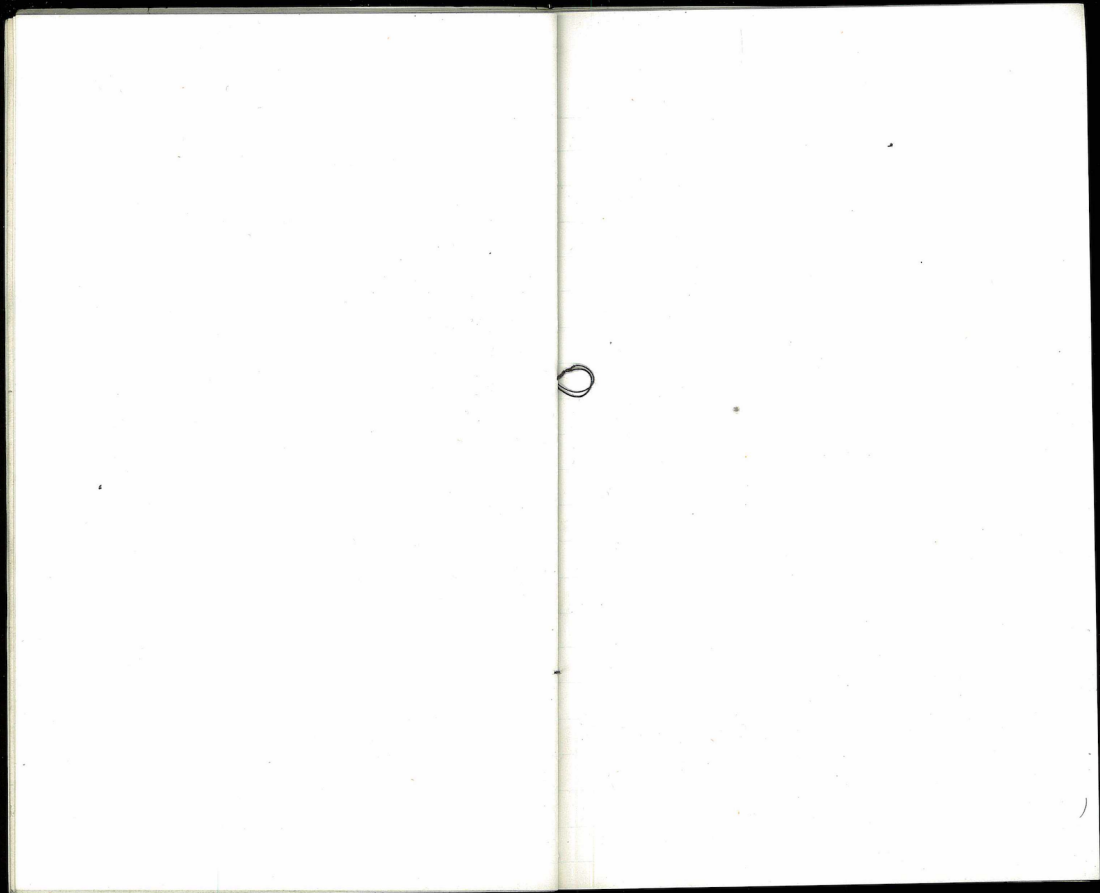
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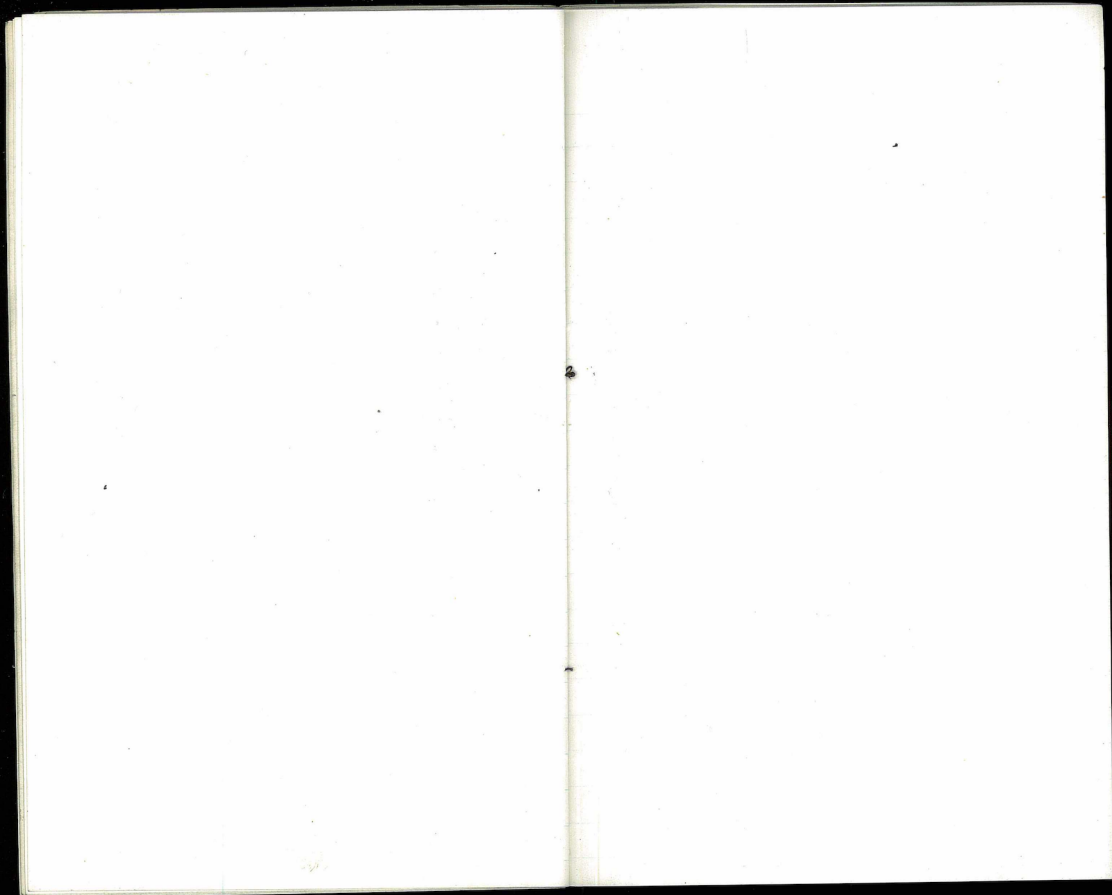
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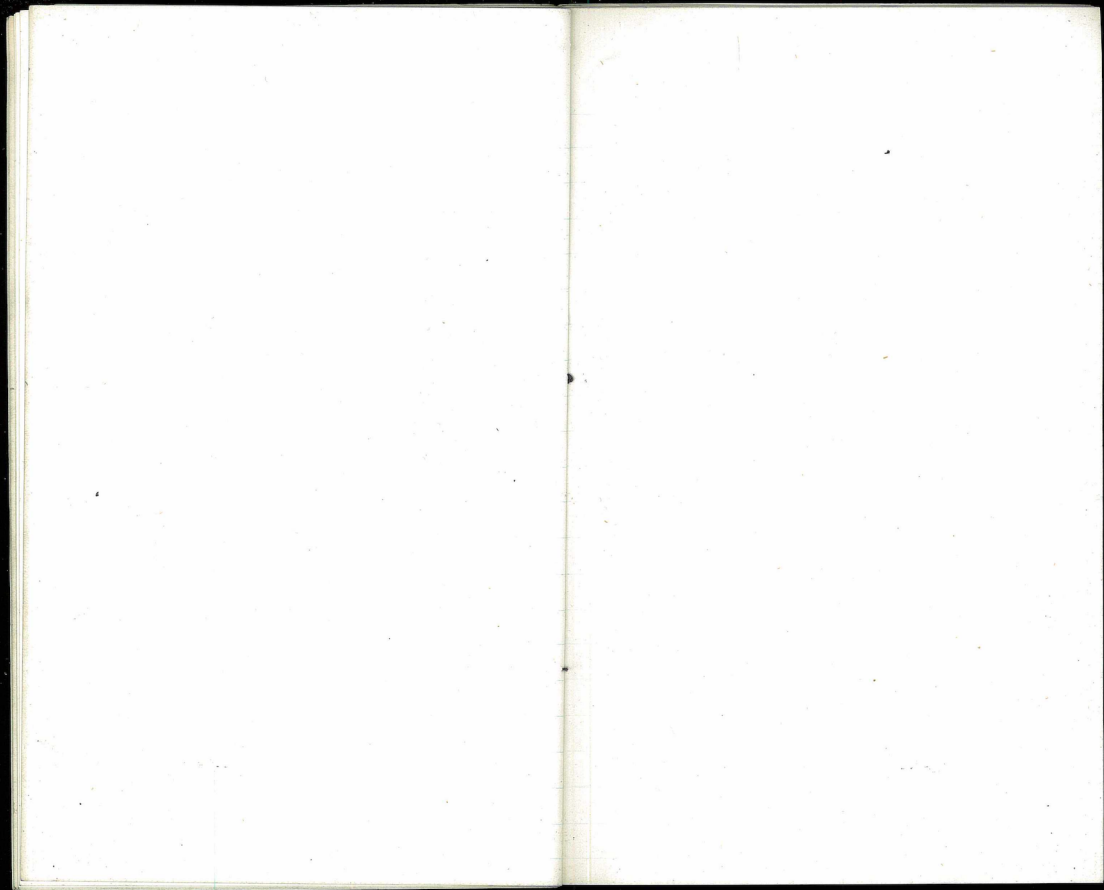
of the members present, due
notice of said, contemplated
change to be given by the
Secretary.

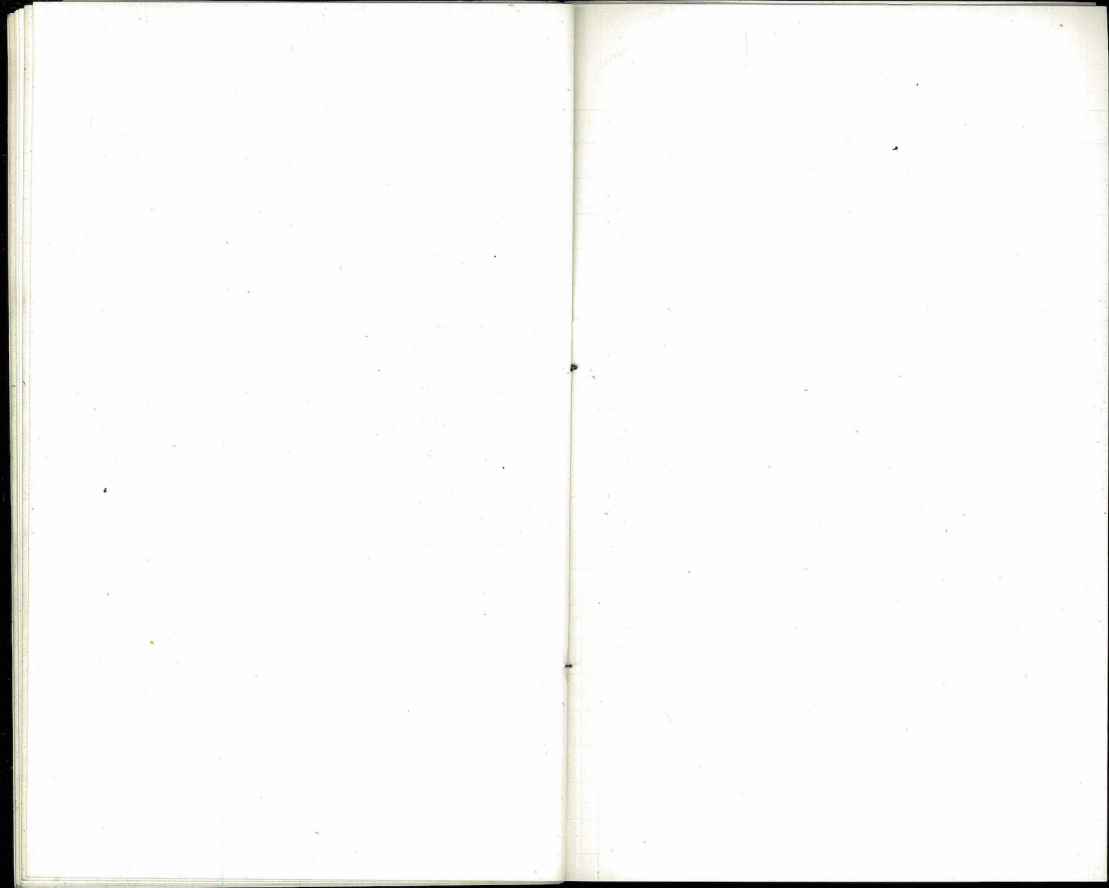












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Minutes read & approved
Report read, adopted, ordered
filed. — This matter referred
to the new Board adopted —

Committed to collect dues & subscriptions
to be approved
Subscriptions list was then opened

Moved that the Board have power
to sell the Bonds to invest it in
a mortgage providing ten per cent

Election of officers:
Laffender, President

E. Wertheimer, President

Benj. Cohen, Secretary

Heidelberg, Treasurer

Board:
Naumburg
L. Coblenz
H. Rosenbrot

S. Wertheimer
L. Bee
L. Fleishman
A. Rochelle

Isaac Stross #3

Wrote of thanks
to retiring officers

