

== 1918. ==

State of Pennsylvania }  
County of Allegheny } S.S.  
City of Pittsburgh }

Before me, the undersigned Notary Public, personally came this twenty-first day of January, 1918, C. M. Gerwig, W. W. Hamilton and W. A. Caddick, who, being duly sworn according to law, depose and say that they will discharge with fidelity the duties of Judges of Election at the election of Directors of the Neeb-Hirsch Publishing Company to be held this day and that they will not receive any vote but such as they verily believe to be legal.

C. M. Gerwig

W. W. Hamilton

W. A. Caddick

Sworn and subscribed before me.

Louis Hirsch

Notary Public.

My commission expires March 25, 1921.

We, the undersigned Judge and Tellers, do hereby certify that, at the annual election of the Neeb-Hirsch Publishing Company held at Pittsburgh, Pa., on this twenty-first day of January, 1918, the following persons were elected Directors of the said Company, having received the number of votes set opposite their respective names:

|                       |            |
|-----------------------|------------|
| H. A. Neeb-----       | 4085 votes |
| J. C. Hirsch-----     | 4085 votes |
| John W. Goehring---   | 4085 votes |
| Harry A. Neeb, Jr.--- | 4085 votes |
| J. R. McCreery-----   | 4085 votes |
| C. W. Swinner-----    | 4085 votes |
| Louis Hirsch-----     | 4085 votes |

C. M. Gerwig, Judge

W. W. Hamilton } Tellers

W. A. Caddick }

Voted in person: 2585 shares

Voted by proxy: 1500 "

Total 4085 "

Monthly meeting of the Directors held at the office of the Company on Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, 1918.

Present: Messrs. H. A. Neeb, J. E. Hirsch, John W. Gehring, Harry A. Neeb, Jr. and Louis Hirsch.

The minutes of the meeting of December 12<sup>th</sup>, 1917, were read and approved.

The Secretary presented a statement of the business done in December and a summary for the year, the latter showing a net profit of \$47,410.<sup>69</sup>; both statements were received and discussed.

The President presented his annual report, giving detailed results of the business done by the Company in 1917; the report was received and its submission to the Stockholders' Annual Meeting was ordered.

On motion it was unanimously

Dividends  
Feb '1918

Common  
3%  
no extra

Resolved: - that a semi-annual dividend of three per-centum (3%) be and the same is hereby declared on the outstanding preferred stock of this Company, payable to stockholders of record on February first, 1918, and that the books for the transfer of preferred stock remain closed on said date.

On motion it was unanimously

Resolved: - that a semi-annual dividend of three per-centum (3%) be and the same is hereby declared on the common stock of this Company, payable to stockholders of record on February first, 1918, and that the books for the transfer of common

stock remain closed on said date.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to employ Mr. J. Henry Erb to audit the books and accounts of the Company for the past year.

On motion Messrs. C. W. Gerwig, W. W. Hamilton and W. A. Caddick were appointed tellers to conduct the election of Directors at the annual meeting of the stockholders of this Company to be held on Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 1918.

On motion adjourned.

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Secretary.

Seventeenth Annual Meeting of  
the Stockholders held at the office of  
the Company on Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup>,  
1918, at 4 o'clock P.M.

Present: Messrs. H. A. Neeb----- owning 1225 shares  
J. E. Hirsch----- " 948 "  
Louis Hirsch----- " 295 "  
Solomon Schamberg----- " 92 "  
Harry A. Neeb, Jr.----- " 25 "  
2585 "

Represented by proxies:-

|                          |                   |        |
|--------------------------|-------------------|--------|
| Gora M. L. Neel Williams | owning 560 shares |        |
| George A. McLean         | " 350 "           |        |
| Robert Wardrop           | " 200 "           |        |
| Nellie Schamberg         | " 176 "           |        |
| Samuel Silverman         | " 87 "            |        |
| Bernie H. Harrison       | " 25 "            |        |
| Richard E. Kiel          | " 20 "            |        |
| Claire B. Rice           | " 15 "            |        |
| Sallie Rice              | " 15 "            |        |
| L. L. Rice               | " 14 "            |        |
| Emma H. Rice             | " 14 "            |        |
| Marie Rice               | " 14 "            |        |
| George Schlimpen         | " 10 "            | 1500 " |

Total number of shares represented 4085 shares  
Mr. H. A. Neeb presiding.

The minutes of the Stockholders' Annual Meeting held on January 15<sup>th</sup>, 1917, were read and approved.

The President made the following report on the business done by the Company in 1917 and, on motion, the report was received and filed and ordered spread upon the minutes:-

" To the Stockholders of the  
" Neeb-Hirsch Publishing Co.:-

" The statement of business  
" prepared by the Business Manager  
" shows the following:- The net profit  
" for 1917, after deducting \$2,300.00 from  
" Equipment account as depreciation  
" on type, machines and furniture,  
" amounts to \$47,410.<sup>69</sup>; the gross  
" amount of business done is

President's  
Report of  
Business  
for  
1917

\$175,285.<sup>96</sup> and the expenses amounted to \$127,875.<sup>27</sup>, the difference representing the net profit above referred to.

Your Company has no liabilities other than its current expenses.

There are in the treasury one thousand (1000) shares of the Company's preferred stock.

Cash on hand at this date is as follows:-

|                             |                   |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Certificates of Deposit---- | \$62,500.-        |
| Invested in Liberty Bonds-- | 5,000.-           |
| Current balance-----        | 10,500.-          |
| Total--                     | <u>\$78,000.-</u> |

Pittsburgh, Pa., January 9<sup>th</sup>, 1918.

H. A. Neeb

President.

On motion the meeting proceeded to elect a Board of Directors to serve for the ensuing year or until their successors are elected, whereupon the following persons were nominated: H. A. Neeb, J. C. Hirsch, John M. Goehring, Harry A. Neeb, Jr., G. R. W. Creery, O. W. Gwinner and Louis Hirsch. After the balloting the tellers reported to the meeting that each of these candidates had received the votes of the entire 4085 shares represented and the President thereupon declared them unanimously elected.

On motion the report of the tellers was received and filed and nothing further being offered for the consideration of the stockholders, the meeting was, on motion, adjourned.

Louis Hirsch

Secretary.

Directors  
for  
1918.

Monthly meeting of the Directors  
held at the office of the Company on  
Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, 1918.

Present: - Mess. H. A. Neeb, I. E. Kirsch, John M.  
Gochring, Harry A. Neeb, Jr. <sup>and</sup> Louis Kirsch.

After Mr. H. A. Neeb called the meeting to order,  
the Secretary read the report of the tellers  
who conducted the election of Directors at the  
annual meeting on January 21<sup>st</sup>, whereupon  
the board proceeded to organize.

On motion, the following officers were  
re-elected by acclamation, at the same  
salaries as were paid them in 1917:-

President-----H. A. Neeb  
Vice-President-----I. E. Kirsch  
Secretary <sup>and</sup> Treasurer-Louis Kirsch.

The minutes of the Directors' meeting  
held on January 9<sup>th</sup>, 1918, were read and ap-  
proved.

The Secretary presented the balance-  
sheet for the month of January which  
was discussed, as were other per-  
tinent and timely matters, in an  
informal manner, whereupon the  
meeting was, on motion, adjourned.

Louis Kirsch,  
Secretary.

Officers  
for  
1918.

Monthly meeting of the Directors  
held at the office of the Company on  
Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 1918.

Present:- Mess. H. A. Neeb, J. E. Hirsch,  
John M. Goehring, C. W. Guizner,  
Harry A. Neeb, Jr. and Louis  
Hirsch.

The minutes of the Directors' meeting  
held on February 13<sup>th</sup>, 1918, were read  
and approved.

*Audit  
for  
1917.* The Secretary presented a statement  
of the business done by the Company in  
February and also the report of J.  
Henry Erk on his audit of the books  
and accounts of the Company for the  
year 1917, approving the same and  
certifying to their correctness, which  
report was, on motion, received and  
ordered filed.

The Post Office Department at Washing-  
ton having summoned our paper to show  
cause why its publication permit,  
granted under the Trading with the  
Enemy Act, should not be revoked, the  
matter was thoroughly discussed and  
it was the unanimous opinion of  
the Board that we are not guilty of  
any intentional wrong. Our earnest en-  
deavor to loyally support the Govern-  
ment was emphasized by each mem-  
ber of the Board and the written de-  
fense to be made by the officers of the  
Company was discussed and approved.

On motion adjourned.  
Louis Hirsch,  
Secretary.

Monthly Meeting of the Directors  
Wednesday, April 10th 1918, at 10:30 A.M.

Present: Messrs. H. A. Neel, J. E. Hirsch, John  
M. Goehring and O. W. Guinnet.

In the absence of the Secretary, Mr. J. E. Hirsch  
was appointed Secretary of the meeting.

The minutes of the meeting of  
March 13th were read and approved.

The report of business for the month  
of March and for the first quarter of the year  
was presented and discussed.

The President reported that he and the  
Vice President, attended hearings on March 7th  
and March 21st before the Solicitor of the Post  
Office Department in Washington, in the matter  
of the threatened revocation of our Publication  
Permit, and on the latter date presented our  
written statement, as approved by the Board  
at its last meeting. Upon this statement,  
supported by the good offices of Senator  
P. C. Knox, the charges brought against our  
paper were dropped as unwarranted.

The President also reported that the  
Newspaper Printing Company (publishing  
the "Gazette Times" and "Chronicle Telegraph")  
has requested our compliance, at as early  
a date as possible, with the notice given  
us previous to October 1st 1917, terminating  
our contract and lease with them. The  
matter was left in charge of the Executive  
Committee.

It was unanimously

Resolved: That \$5,000. of the surplus funds of the  
Company be invested in Bonds of the Third Liberty  
Loan of the United States, bearing 4 1/4% Interest  
and maturing in 1928.

Subscribing  
for \$5,000. of  
3rd Liberty  
Loan bonds.

Adjournment followed at 11:40 A.M.  
J. E. Hirsch, Secy. p. t.

Monthly meeting of the Directors held  
on Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1918, at 10:30 A. M.

Present: Mess. H. A. Neeb, L. C. Hirsch, John  
M. Goehring and Louis Hirsch.

The minutes of the meeting of April  
10<sup>th</sup> were read and approved.

On motion, the Board unanimously  
authorized the payment of a bill of \$409.<sup>50</sup>  
of L. Beinhauer and Son, being the funeral  
expenses of Dr. Johannes Braun, a member  
of our editorial force, who died in des-  
titute circumstances on March 24<sup>th</sup>, 1918,  
leaving no relatives in this country.

The Managing Editor, Mr. Seibel, re-  
ported to the Board that mainly through  
the publicity given gratuitously by our  
paper, the Patriotic League of Americans  
of German Origin, of which he is the  
Secretary, secured subscriptions to the  
Third Liberty Loan of the United States  
to the amount of \$418,000, and that  
of this sum the Neeb-Hirsch Pub-  
lishing Company, its employees, di-  
rectors and stockholders subscribed  
for a total of more than \$55,000.

The report of business for the  
month of April was presented and  
discussed and the contemplated  
relocation of the Company's mechan-  
ical plant was considered and the  
various features of the move dis-  
cussed at length, whereupon,  
no other business offering, the  
meeting was on motion ad-  
journed.

Louis Hirsch  
Secretary.

Monthly meeting of the Board  
 held on Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 1918.  
Present: Mess. H. A. Neeb, J. E. Hirsch, John M.  
 Goehring, J. R. McCreery and Louis Hirsch.

The minutes of the meeting of May 8<sup>th</sup> were read and approved as was also the statement of business for the month of May, showing a profit of \$2,337.<sup>70</sup>/<sub>100</sub>.

The Vice President reported that, under the terms of a private real-estate transaction between him and George T. Oliver, the Newspaper Printing Company has withdrawn its notice of termination of the lease and printing contract existing between said company and the Neeb-Hirsch Publishing Company.

The Managing Editor, Mr. Nibel, reported to the Board that, as Secretary of the Patriotic League of Americans of German Origin, he prepared and sent to the Treasury Department at Washington a list of subscriptions to the Third Liberty Loan from Americans of German origin of Allegheny County, showing 5171 individual subscriptions, amounting to \$1691,400. - A letter of acknowledgement from the Treasury Department, expressing high appreciation of the publicity-service rendered by the Volksblatt und Freiheits-Freund was published in our paper on June 7<sup>th</sup>.

On motion it was unanimously  
Resolved: that we place our advertising columns at the disposal of the United States Government, free of charge, for publicity purposes of the various departments during the present war.

It was also, on motion, unanimously  
Resolved: that a contribution of \$100.00 be made by the Company to the fund being collected for Jewish War Sufferers.

On motion adjourned.

Louis Hirsch  
 Secretary.

Monthly meeting of the Board held  
on Wednesday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1918.

Present :- Mess. H. A. Neeb, J. E. Hirsch, John  
W. Goehring and Louis Hirsch.

The minutes of the Board meeting of June  
12<sup>th</sup> were read and approved as was  
also the statement of the business done  
by the company in June and during  
the first six months of the year, showing  
a net profit of \$7,864.<sup>87</sup>/<sub>100</sub>

*In re  
City  
printing.* The Secretary stated to the Directors  
that the Mayor has declined to award  
the official printing of the City to our  
paper, despite the fact that the law  
directs the publication of all of-  
ficial advertisements of the City  
in a daily newspaper printed in  
the German language. The question  
of taking legal steps in the matter  
was discussed and held in abey-  
ance; in the meantime it was re-  
solved to file a protest with the  
Mayor against his unwarranted  
action.

No other business offering, the  
meeting was, on motion, adjourned.  
Louis Hirsch,  
Secretary.

Special meeting of the Board held at the office of the Company on Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 1918, pursuant to the following call:- "A special meeting of the Directors of the Neeb-Hirsch Publishing Company will be held on Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 1918, at 10:30 A.M. at the office of the Company, 516 Grant Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

"The object of this meeting is to take action on the dividend payable August 1<sup>st</sup> and upon such other matters as may be brought before the Directors. At the regular monthly meeting of the Board on July 10<sup>th</sup>, which was attended by a mere quorum, it was deemed advisable to postpone action on the above matters until a better attendance of the Directors could be secured and we earnestly request your presence on July 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 A.M."

Present: Mess. H. A. Neeb, I. E. Hirsch, John M. Goehring, C. W. Gwinnier and Louis Hirsch

The minutes of the Board meeting of July 10<sup>th</sup> were read and approved.

On motion of Mr. I. E. Hirsch, seconded by Mr. Goehring, it was

Resolved:- that a semi-annual dividend of three per centum (3%) be and the same is hereby declared on the outstanding preferred stock of this Company, payable to stockholders of record on August 1<sup>st</sup>, 1918, and that the books for the transfer of preferred stock remain closed on said date.

After a discussion upon the advisability of paying a dividend on the common stock of the company, it was decided not to pay a common stock dividend at this time.

Preferred  
Dividend  
Aug 1/1918

No  
dividend  
on  
common.

In the matter of the official advertising of the City of Pittsburgh, the Board approved the following draft of a letter of protest to be sent to the Mayor and directed that a copy of this letter be sent to the City Controller, Hon. C. S. Morrow, for his information:

Pittsburgh, Pa., July 13, 1918.

Hon. C. V. Babcock,

Mayor,

Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

We duly received your letter of 1<sup>st</sup> inst., informing us that you have awarded the contracts for official advertising to the "Post," the "Leader" and the "Sun," and we desire hereby to enter a formal protest against your failure to award the contract to a German daily newspaper, as required by State Laws and by an Ordinance of Councils.

We base our protest upon the following facts: The Act of Assembly of 1901, known as the City Charter, makes it mandatory that the official advertising of the city be published in a daily newspaper printed in the German language and the tenor of the Act leaves the Mayor no discretion in the matter. An Ordinance of Councils of January 7<sup>th</sup>, 1902, contains the same mandatory wording, and furthermore, an Act of Assembly of July 2, 1895, requires that official notices in cities of both the first and second classes shall be published in a German daily newspaper. Both Acts have heretofore been constantly complied with.

Copy of  
Protest  
filed  
with  
Mayor  
in re  
City print-  
ing.

" The intention of the Legislature and City  
 " Councils to make the provision mandatory  
 " is clearly indicated by the fact that while  
 " the word "may" was used in a previous  
 " State law (Act of June 14, 1887) and City  
 " Ordinance (January 9, 1888), this word  
 " was purposely and deliberately changed  
 " to "shall" in the Act of 1901 and the  
 " Ordinance of 1902, above quoted. The  
 " Legislature and City Councils were  
 " no doubt impelled to this action on  
 " account of the large German population,  
 " to whom it is advisable to convey in-  
 " formation as to the affairs of the munici-  
 " pality in the language best understood  
 " by that important element of our  
 " citizenry. According to the last United  
 " States Census there are over 50,000 German  
 " speaking residents in the City of Pitts-  
 " burgh and over 100,000 in the County of  
 " Allegheny. Of the latter a large per-  
 " centage also has business and property  
 " interests within the city.

" We have read the opinion rendered  
 " to you by the City Solicitor, Stephen Stone,  
 " Esq. upon which you no doubt based  
 " your award, in which he refers to the  
 " fact that our proposal or bid was  
 " very much higher than that of the  
 " English newspapers. This is only  
 " seemingly the case, the fact being  
 " that the bids are made "per thousands  
 " of circulation," so that a newspaper  
 " with 60,000 circulation could bid  
 " one-third as high as a paper with  
 " but 20,000 circulation and yet re-  
 " ceive the same pay as the paper

"charging the higher rate per thousand. At the  
 "price bid by the "Pittsburgh Sun" and on the  
 "basis of its sworn circulation, that paper  
 "would receive 4.158 cents per line and  
 "the "Leader" 4.526 cents per line, while our  
 "bid amounted to 5.231 cents per line, out of  
 "which we have to bear the heavy cost of  
 "translation of the matter furnished us in  
 "English.

"It is true that our bid was increased  
 "about 23% over our former price, but this  
 "was made necessary by the increased  
 "cost of wages and materials. At the  
 "same time the "Sun" increased its bid  
 "about 26% (from 46 to 58 thousandths  
 "of a cent) and the "Leader" about 62%  
 "(from  $34\frac{1}{2}$  to 56 thousandths). While our  
 "paper received considerably more in  
 "the aggregate during the last three  
 "years than the two papers mentioned,  
 "this was due to the fact that those  
 "papers made a price three years ago  
 "that could not have been profitable  
 "and that probably entailed upon  
 "them a direct loss, so that even  
 "though their revenue from this adver-  
 "tising had in the meantime increased  
 "through growth of their circulation,  
 "they were now compelled to increase  
 "their price considerably. The rate we  
 "received during the last three years  
 "netted us about 4.3 cents per line,  
 "which was a just and reasonable  
 "price and less than we receive for  
 "much of our commercial advertising.  
 "We should be willing to submit the fairness  
 "of our bid to the judgment of any

" disinterested newspaper publisher.

" The City Solicitor states that in a number  
 " of jurisdictions in the Commonwealth  
 " the question of official advertising in  
 " the German language has been adversely  
 " decided. We know of no such case except  
 " that of the City of Philadelphia, where  
 " the city advertising in German is  
 " not regulated by Act of Assembly  
 " but by Ordinance. There, Councils re-  
 " cently passed a resolution directing  
 " the heads of departments not to ad-  
 " vertise in a German newspaper, but  
 " we submit that this is not a paral-  
 " lel case.

" It is true that Judge Audenried  
 " of Philadelphia has declared as uncon-  
 " stitutional an Act of Assembly of May  
 " 13, 1915 prescribing that, in counties  
 " having 40,000 German or Italian or  
 " Yiddish immigrants, all official  
 " county advertising shall be published  
 " in a newspaper of the respective lan-  
 " guage, but we are informed that  
 " the Act was declared unconstitu-  
 " tional, not on account of advertising  
 " in a foreign language, but on account  
 " of the classification of counties by  
 " foreign-born population. As far as  
 " we have information on the subject,  
 " and we have been diligent in seeking  
 " the same, no Act of Assembly with re-  
 " gard to advertising in a German  
 " newspaper, without reference to the  
 " number of foreign population,  
 " has ever been declared unconstitutional.  
 " In conclusion we protest against

"your award as illegal, because it was in  
 "contravention of your advertisement asking  
 "for proposals, inasmuch as you therein stated  
 "that "contracts will be let to three newspapers,  
 "one of which shall be a daily newspaper  
 "printed in the German language."

The Act of Assembly of 1901 prescribes  
 "that the official advertising of the City  
 "of Pittsburgh shall be published in not  
 "less than three nor more than five daily  
 "newspapers, one of which shall be a  
 "daily newspaper printed in the German  
 "language. In compliance with this  
 "law, we hereby again apply for the  
 "award of the contract for said adver-  
 "tising, in accordance with your  
 "advertisement for proposals and with  
 "our proposal of June 26th, 1918.

" Respectfully submitted,

" By order of the Board of Directors,  
 " (signed) H. A. Neeb,  
 " President."

No other business being pre-  
 sented for the consideration of the  
 Board, the meeting was, on motion, ad-  
 journed.

Louis Hirsch  
 Secretary.

Special meeting of the Board held at the office of the Company on Wednesday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1918, pursuant to the following call:- "A special meeting of the Directors of the Neel-Hirsch Publishing Company will be held on Wednesday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1918, at 10:30 A.M. at the office of the Company, 516 Grant Street, Pittsburgh, Pa., to consider an advance in the price of our Sunday issue and such other business as may be presented."

Present:- Messrs. H. A. Neel, J. E. Hirsch, M. C. Creery, Goehring and Louis Hirsch.

The minutes of the Board's special meeting of July 13<sup>th</sup> were read and approved.

A letter was read from the Mayor's Secretary stating that the Mayor had received our protest of July 13<sup>th</sup> and had ordered that the same be placed on file.

On motion it was unanimously

Resolved:- that the price of our Sunday issue be made 5¢ a copy to subscribers - 3¢ to agents - and that the mail subscription rates for the Sunday paper be increased <sup>proportionately</sup> ~~approximately~~.

A written application was read from Mr. Doebelin, applying for a two-weeks' vacation, instead of the usual one week's leave. On motion of Mr. Goehring, seconded by Mr. J. E. Hirsch, the request was granted, Mr. M. C. Creery and the Secretary dissenting.

On motion adjourned.  
Louis Hirsch  
Secretary.

Mayor or-  
ders our pro-  
test filed.

Increasing  
Sunday  
issue to 5¢  
to agents.

Wanting Doeb-  
lin an extra  
week's vaca-  
tion. (First  
disharmonious  
vote.)

Monthly meeting of the Board  
held at the office of the Company  
on Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 1918.

Present:- Mess. H. A. Neeb, Goehring,  
Gwinner and Louis Hirsch.

The minutes of the special meeting of  
the Board held on July 31<sup>st</sup> were read  
and approved.

The Secretary presented a state-  
ment of the business done in July,  
showing a loss of \$807.<sup>42</sup>/<sub>100</sub>.

No further business being pre-  
sented for the Board's consideration,  
a number of matters were infor-  
mally discussed, whereupon the  
meeting was, on motion adjourned.  
Louis Hirsch,  
Secretary.

Monthly Board Meeting held on  
Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 1918.

Present:- Mess. H. A. Neeb, L. E. Hirsch, John M.  
Goehring, C. W. Gwinner and Louis Hirsch.

The minutes of August 14<sup>th</sup> were read  
and approved as was also the report  
of business done in August, showing  
a net profit of \$1,842.<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub>.

The Board heard read the  
application of Mr. Schommartz  
for an increase in his salary  
and, on motion of Mr. Goehring,  
seconded by Mr. Gwinner, an  
increase of \$2.<sup>00</sup>/<sub>100</sub> a week was gran-  
ted him.

On motion adjourned.

Louis Hirsch

Monthly meeting of Directors,  
called for Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 1918.  
No quorum. Louis Hirsch, Secretary.

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Monthly meeting of the Board  
held on Wednesday, November 13,  
1918.

Present: Messrs. I. E. Hirsch, M. Creery,  
Gwinner and Louis Hirsch.  
Mr. I. E. Hirsch presiding.

The minutes of the meetings held on  
September 11<sup>th</sup> and October 9<sup>th</sup> were read  
and separately approved.

The Secretary read a report of  
the business done by the Company in  
September and in October showing a  
profit in the former month of \$941.<sup>63</sup><sub>100</sub>  
and in the latter of \$2,651.<sup>59</sup><sub>100</sub>; he also  
presented a letter from the Exposition  
Society, requesting an extension of a  
year on their note which request  
was, on motion, unanimously granted.

On motion adjourned.

Louis Hirsch  
Secretary.

Extending  
Exposition  
Society's  
note one  
year.

Monthly meeting of the Directors  
held on Wednesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 1918.

Present:- Mess. H. A. Neeb, J. E. Hirsch, John  
M. Goehring, Harry A. Neeb, Jr. and  
Louis Hirsch.  
Mr. H. A. Neeb presiding.

The minutes of the Directors' meeting of November 13<sup>th</sup> were read and approved.

Increasing  
Goettel  
\$4 w week  
beginning  
Oct 1/1918.  
The report of business for November, showing a net profit of \$2,571.<sup>52</sup> was presented by the Secretary, who also read an application for an increase of wages from the Foreman and, on motion, Mr. Goettel was allowed Four Dollars per week additional, beginning on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 1918.

Cutting  
out ads  
of Men's  
Diseases.  
On motion the Board unanimously resolved to comply with the request contained in a letter received from the United States Health Bureau, to the effect that the Volksblatt & Freiheit's Freund shall refuse to publish certain advertisements in reference to men's diseases.

No other business offering, the meeting was, on motion, adjourned.

Louis Hirsch,  
Secretary.