

[Hamilton Manufacturing Company meeting minutes, 1915]. 1915

Two Rivers, Wisconsin: J.E. Hamilton Holly Wood Type Company, 1915

https://digital.library.wisc.edu/1711.dl/7M5XU6NIJJPRY8E

Based on date of publication, this material is presumed to be in the public domain.

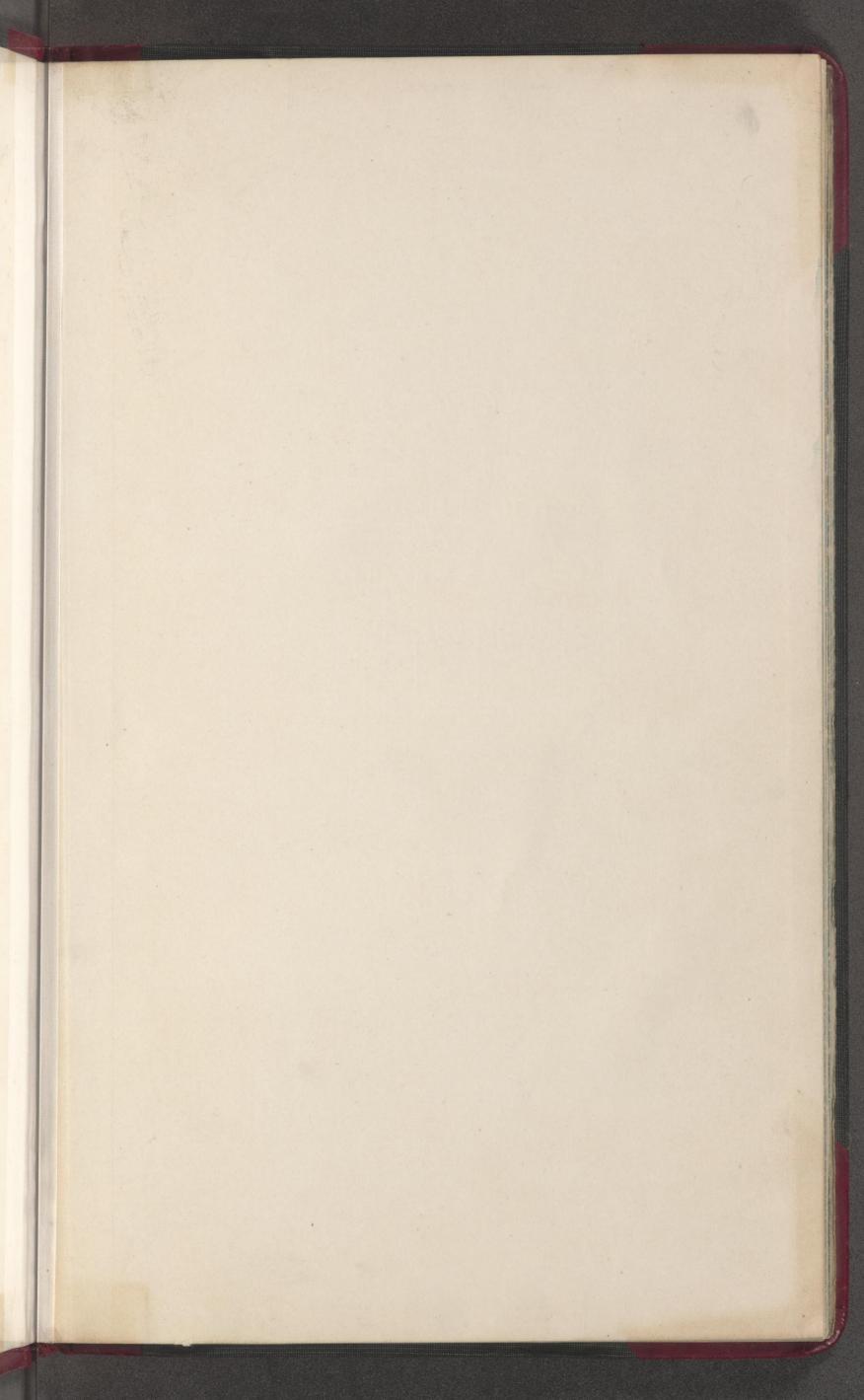
For information on re-use see: http://digital.library.wisc.edu/1711.dl/Copyright

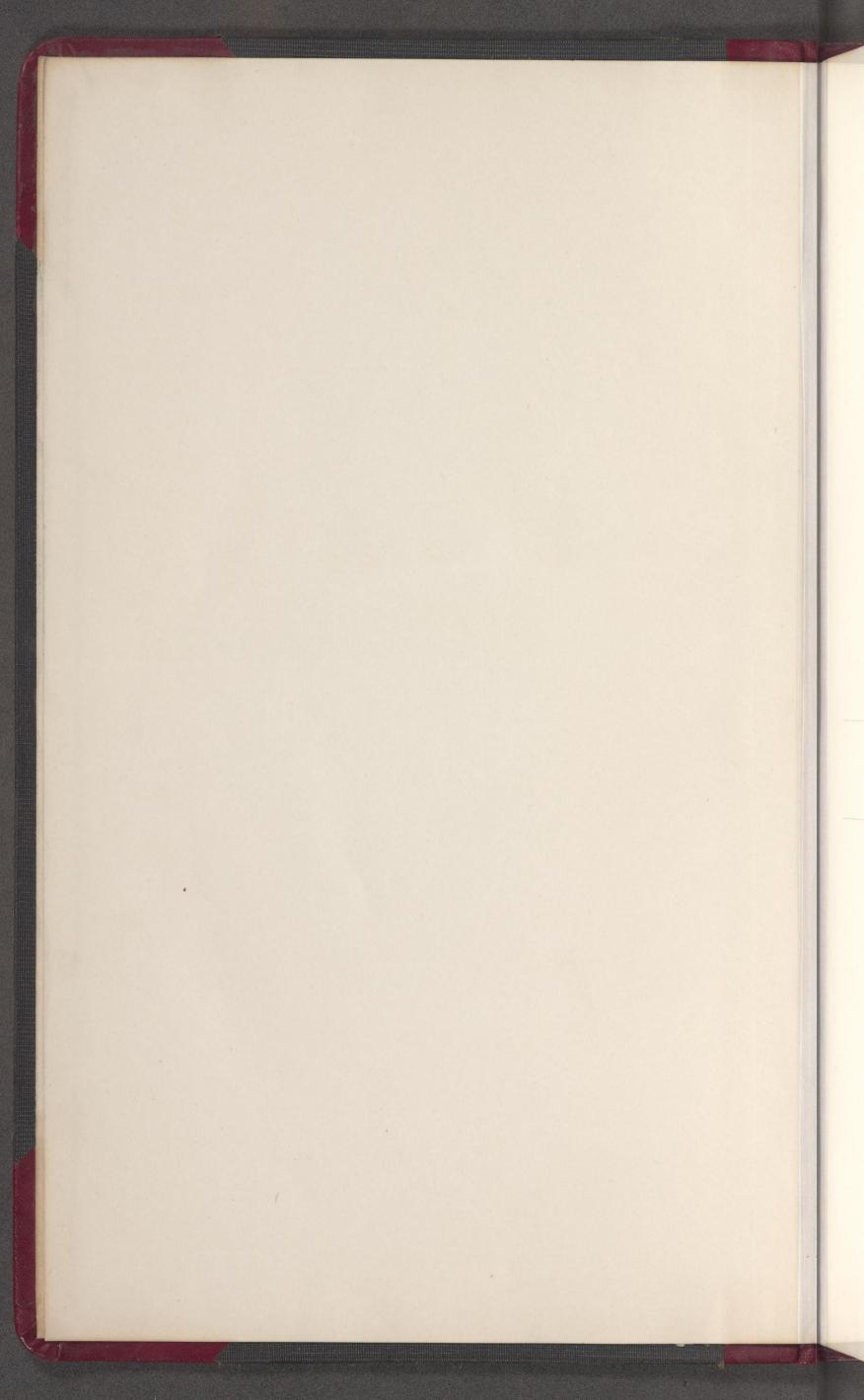
The libraries provide public access to a wide range of material, including online exhibits, digitized collections, archival finding aids, our catalog, online articles, and a growing range of materials in many media.

When possible, we provide rights information in catalog records, finding aids, and other metadata that accompanies collections or items. However, it is always the user's obligation to evaluate copyright and rights issues in light of their own use.

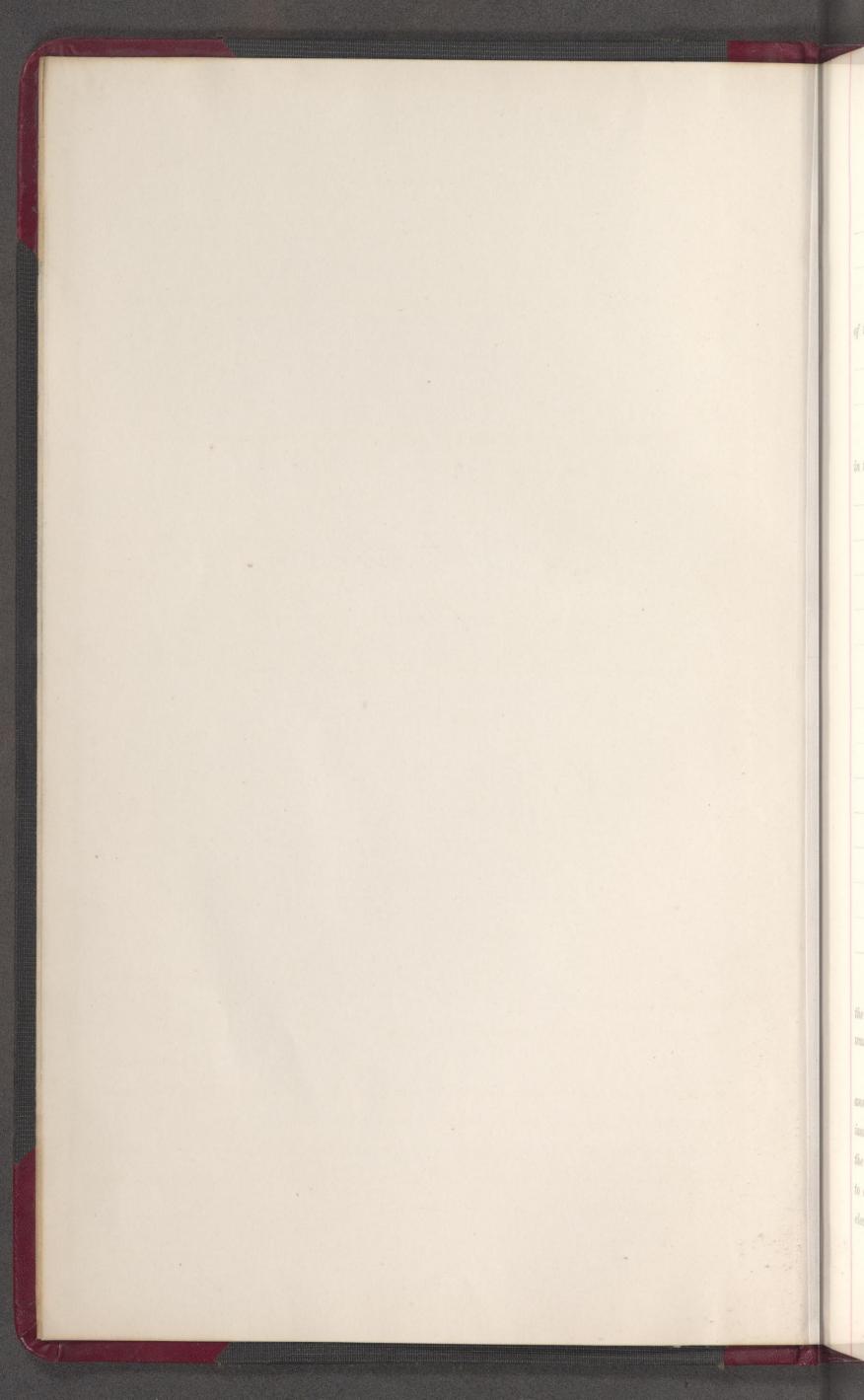
DIRECTORS MINUTE BOOK







Minute Book
of the



Organization of the

Meeting of the neverns named as Direct	tone in the Intiales of Transporation
Meeting of the persons named as Direc	tors in the Articles of Incorporation
of the	
Pursuant to notice duly given, a meeting	ng of the persons named as Directors
in the Articles of Incorporation of the	
day of	
M., at	
41.41.	7
At this meeting all of the persons so n	amea were present, viz:
	<u> </u>
Mr.	
the chair and Mr.	
was requested to act as temporary Secretary.	
Mr.	
announced that the Certificate of Incorporation	
issued from the office of the Secretary of Stat	
the object of the meeting was to organize the	
to act until the adoption of the Code of By election of Directors thereunder as required by	
cooling of Directors incremitaer as required t	y au.

Mr.
nominated Mr. for
President. No other nominations being made, on motion of
Mr. , seconded by
Mr. , the ballot was
dispensed with, and Mr. was
unanimously declared duly elected President of the Company.
Mr. then nominated
Mr. for Vice-President. No
other nominations being made, on motion, duly seconded, the ballot was dispensed
with, and Mr.
was unanimously declared duly elected Vice-President of the Company.
Mr. then nominated
Mr. for Secretary.
No other nominations being made on motion, duly seconded, the ballot was
dispensed with, and Mr.
was unanimously declared duly elected Secretary of the Company.
Mr. then nominated
Mr. for Treasurer. No
other nominations being made, on motion, duly seconded, the ballot was
dispensed with, and Mr.
was unanimously declared duly elected Treasurer of the Company.

The President then suggested that as the Stockholders or subscribers for
Siock were present, further proceedings for the meeting be suspended and a
Stockholders' meeting be called and held forthwith.
On motion, duly seconded, it was unanimously
Resolved: That a meeting of the Stockholders of the Company be and is
hereby called to be held thisday of
A. D. 19 o'clock M., at
On motion, duly seconded, the meeting adjourned.
in motion, and according the moderning august now.
Secretary.

for

otion of nded by llot was

__was

minated

nt. No

spensed.

ninated

cretary. lot was

ninated

er. No

nt was

First Stockholders' Meeting of the

We, the undersioned	l, the Stockholders and subscrib	
being the owners and holder	rs of all the subscribed capital ste	ock of said Company.
viz:		
do hereby give our written	consent to the holding of this, t	he first Stockholders
meeting of the		
	Company, this	day of
	A. D. 191 , at the hour of	o'clock,
and we do h	ereby certify that all the Stockhol	lders and subscribers
for stock of said Company	are at this meeting now here pro	esent.

lay of	A. D. 191	
nis, the first meeting	of the Stockholders of the	
	day of	
vas held on this		
vas held on this	day of	
vas held on thist	day of	
vas held on this	day of	
vas held on thist	day of	
vas held on thist	day of	
vas held on thist	day of	
vas held on thist	day of	
vas held on thist	day of	
vas held on thist	day of	
vas held on thist	day of	
vas held on thist	day of	
vas held on thist	day of	
vas held on thist	day of	
vas held on thist	day of	
vas held on thist	day of	
vas held on thist	day of	
vas held on thist	day of	

ompany,

ompany,

отрану.

cholders

day of

_o'clock,

scribers

Mr. , President, i
the chair.
The Secretary read the minutes of the meeting of the persons named of
Directors in the Articles of Incorporation, which, on motion, duly seconded were
approved.
The President announced that the first business of the meeting was the
adoption of a Code of By-Laws for the government of the Company and is
officers.
Mr.
presented a Code of By-Laws which were read, and on motion of
Mr. , seconded to
Mr.
they were adopted as the By-Laws of the Company, and ordered to be engrosse
in the Company's Book of By-Laws.
The President then announced that the next business before the meeting
was the election, by ballot, of Directors to serve for the ensuing year and unt
their successors are elected and qualified.
The election of Directors was then had by ballot; the Secretary received the
ballots from the Stockholders. On inspection of the ballots cast, it was foun
that
shares, the unanimous vote of the entire
subscribed capital stock, had been cast for

dent, in

imed as

led were

was the

and its

tion of

nded by

ngrossed

meeting

d until

ived the

found

e entire

Directors' Meeting

Mr. was cattea
to the chair, and Mr.
requested to act as Secretary.
On motion of Mr.
seconded by Mr.
Mr. was unanimously
elected President of the
Company,
Mr. was unanimously elected
Vice-President and Mr.
was unanimously elected Secretary of the same.
Mr. then took his seat as
President of the Company and of the Board of Directors, and directed the Secretary
to report the proceedings of the Board.
On motion of Mr.
duly seconded, Mr.
was unanimously elected Treasurer of the Company.
The Secretary was then directed to read to the Board the Code of By-Laws
adopted by the Stockholders at their first meeting, held this
day of
The Secretary then read the By-Laws, as the same are engrossed on pages
of the Company's Book of By-Laws.
Thereupon, on motion of Mr
seconded by Mr. it was unanimously
Resolved: That the Code of By-Laws adopted by the Stockholders at their
first meeting held on theday of
191 and engrossed in full on pages of the Book of By-Laws
of this Company, be and hereby are approved and adopted as the By-Laws of the
Company: and be it further

"Resolved: That each member of the Board of Directors and the Secretary
of the Company, be and hereby are requested to subscribe their names to the
said By-Laws, and certify the same in that certain Book, to be kept in the office
of the Company, and known as and called the Book of By-Laws of the
On motion, duly seconded, it was unanimously
Resolved: That the office of the Company be, and it is hereby fixed and
located atin
the County of
On motion, duly seconded, it was
Resolved: That the Secretary be, and he is hereby authorized and directed
to procure a book of blank stock certificates for the use of the Company, and also
a Seal with the following impress: "
Company,
incorporated
other words and figures of similar import.
*

ompany,

seat as lecretary

By-Laws

n pages

imously
at their
By-Lanes
as of the

10 The minutes which follow in this book are continuations of minutes contained in the minute book of proceedings of the directors of the Dramilton Manufacturing Company previously kept by the secretary of said company covering the first meeting of the directors on January 7, 1889, to and including a meeter held on the 24 th day of January, 1914.

Two Givers, Wisconsin, rutes January 23, 1915. In this day at nine o clock P. M. the directors of the Hamilton Manufacturing? Company met at the company's office in the city of two Givers, Hisconsin; f. E. Hamilton calling the meeting to order, The roll being called by L. J. Bash the full board was found to be present, namely: f. E. Hamilton, It, V. Damilton and L. J. Mash, I, C. Hamilton presented the following resolution! "Gesolved, that this board proceed by ballot to elech officers for the current year ending at the next annual meeting of the stockholders. (Signed) I, P. Hamilton, adopted, Oursuant to said resolution a ballot was duly taken and f. 6, Hamilton was unanimously elected president, Tenry V. Hamilton was unanimously elected vicepresident, It, C. Gowran was unanimously elected treasurer and L. J. Mash was unanimously elected secretary. Minutes of the directors meeting held January 24, 1914, read and approved.

12 The following resolution was presented by L. J. Mash; Jesolved, that James 6; Hamilton be, and he hereby is, appointed general manager of this corporation for the ensuing year, with the same powers and duties as those heretofore exercised by him in that office and that his salary and the salary of It. P. Damilton and A. C. Lowran be continued at the same amounts paid them during the year 19 14. "
(Signed) L. J. Mash." adopted. Voted that the January 1915 dividend be passed, Minutes of this meeting read and approved, Voted that this meeting do now adjourn sine die. L.J. Nash. Secretary.

Two Givers, Hisconsin, January 22, 1916. In this day at go'clock P. M. the directors of the Hamilton Manufacturing Company met at the company's office in the city of Two Givers, Hisconsin, J. E. Dramilton ralling the meeting to sed order, at The roll being called by Lo Mask, 20,0 acting secretary, the full board was found to be present, namely! J. E. Hamilton, H. P. Tramilton and L. J. Mash! I, P. Hamilton presented the following resolution! "Gesolved, that this board proceed by ballot to elect officers for the current year ending at the ead next annual meeting of the stockholders. (Signed) It. P. Hamilton." adopted. Cursuant to said resolution a ballot was duly taken and f. 6. Hamilton was unanimously elected president; Theory , Hamilton was unanimously elected vice president; It, C. Gowian was unanimously elected treasurer, and L. J. Mash was unanimously elected Minutes of the directors meeting held January 23, 1915 read and

approved. The following resolution was presented by L & Mash; "Jesolved, that James 6. Hamilton be, and he hereby is, appointed general manager of this corporation for the ensuing year, with the same powers and deties as those heretofore exercised by him in that office and that his salary and the salary of It. O. Tramilton and It. C. Gowran be continued at the same amounts paid them during the year 1915, except as to It, C. Gowran whose salary is hereby raised net housand Nollars for the year, Signed) L. J. Mash. adopted, Voted that the company be and hereby is anthorized to sell to It, C. Youran fifty shares of the unissued portion of the stock of the company at the price of \$ 619 12 per share. Toted, that during the year dividends be paid as follows; nine Dollars for each share of stock on the 20th of January, on the 20th of april, on the 20th of July and the 20th of actober; that is to pay, a quarterly dividend of nine per cent, of the face value of the stock, minutes of this meeting

organized under the laws of Wisconsin, are hereby authorized and directed to execute in the name and with the seal of the Company in the form prescribed by the Suretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, an appointment of said Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and his successor in office as the true and lawful attorney and authorized agent whom whom all lawful processes in any action or proceeding against it may be served, and to file the same with said beretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; all in compliance with the act of the General assembly of Cennsylvania, entitled "an act to regulate the doing of business in this Commonwealth by Joreign eorforations, the registration thereof, and the service of process thereon, and providing punishment and penalties for the violation of its provisions, and repealing previous legislation on the Subject; approved the eighth day of June, 1911. Minutes of this meeting read and upproved. Voted that this meeting do now adjourn sine die. Secretary

1 the

this

ame

the

Lev 1916.

paid

he roth

topay

1 the

l the . familton

uud

John

Divo Rivers, Mis, Och. 8-1917. On this day at ten oclock W. M. a meeting of the directors of the Hamilton Manufacturing Company was held at the company's office for the transaction of business. On calling the roll it was found that all the members were present, namely: J. E. Hamilton, H. P. Hamilton and L. J. Nash. Thereupon the following resolution was introduced and unanimously adopted, namely: Resolved, that H. Howley of 4th - Engle Streets, Chester, Delaware County, Cennsylvania, be and he hereby is appointed the manager of the Hamilton Manufacturing Company's business at Chester aforesaid, and as such manager that he be and hereby is authorized and empowered to make contracto for the sale of goods and draw cheeks for and in the name of said company in and about its business at Chester aforesaid, and to sign the name of said company to such contracts and cheeks. Minutes of this meeting read and approved. boted that this meeting do now padjourn sine die L.J. Nash. Sierelary.

toro,

troduled

eto,

resaid

o the

o die.

Two Rivers, Wis. Jan. 26, 1918. On this day at 9:30 o'clock P.M. the directors of the Hamilton Manufactiving Company meet at the companys office in the city of I wo Rivers, Wisconsin, J. E. Hamilton calling the meeting to The roll being called by I.J. Mash, secretary, the full board was found to be present, namely: J. E. Hamilton, H.P. Hamilton and L.J. Mash. H. P. Hamilton presented the following resolution; "Resolved that this board do proceed by ballot to elect officers for the current year and until the next meeting of the stock-holders. (Signed) H. P. Hamilton." adopted. Pursuant to said resolution a ballot was taken and J. E. Hamilton was unanimously elected President; H.P. Hamilton was unanimously elected Vice-President; H. C. gowian was unanimously elected Treasurer, and L. J. Wash was unanimously elected Secretary. Minutes of the directors meetings held January 20, 1917, September 24, 1917, October 8, 1917 and December 21, 1917, read and approved. sented by L. J. Mash: "Resolved that James E. Hamilton be

1.26,198. and he hereby is appointed general Manager of this corporation for the relixing ensuing year, with the same powers fire and duties as those heretofore excercised by him in that office. Provided, gti however, that dwing the absence of said J. E. Hamilton, H. C. gowian be lash, and he hereby is appointed such idt general Manager to act until the , 7. P. return and the resumption of the dulies of the office by the said llow-J. E. Hamilton (Signed) L. J. Mash." rosed adopted. Voted that the salary of J. E. went of the Hamilton, H. 1? Hamilton and H. C. gownan be continued at the same amounts paid them dwing the allot The following resolution was offered by H. P. Hamilton: "Be It Resolved, That the Directors amilof the Hamilton Manufacturing Company nesia Wisconsin Corporation, having its principal office at Two Rivers, Wisconsing w do hereby authorize and empower H. C. gowan, Treasurer, for and on behalf of said corporation to execute a bond in the sum of one thousand (\$1000.00) dollars, required to be furnished by said corporation to the United States of america for the use of non-beverage alrohol under

22 the act of august 10, 1917, known as the "Food control act"; and the act of October 3 1917. October 3, 1917. (Signed) H.P. Hamilton." adopted. The following resolution was offered by H. P. Hamilton; "Resolved that shares of treasury stock, that is to say, shares of the capital stock of the company authorized but not now issued, be issued and sold for the present book value thereof, namely \$ 741.01 per share, as follows: to J. W. Suddard, 35 shares; To Frank Kaufmann, 10 shares; and to charles D. Rockwood, 10 shares. (Signed) H. P. Hamilton. adopted. be suspended until ordered otherwise by the board. Minutes of this meeting read and approved and voted that the meeting be adjourned sine die.

L.J. bash
Secretary.

19,1918. Two Rivers, Wis., Sept., 21, 1918. On this day the directors of the Hamilton Manufacturing risent Company by unanimous consent convened at ten o'clock in the that Jorenoon of that day and all members being present, namely, J. E. Hamilton, H. P. Hamilton and L. J. Mash, the Zollowing prolovering ceedings were had: H. P. Hamilton introduced the following resolution: Whereas the Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Company has insured the life of James E. Hamilton under policy No. t the 211849; and uconsi, Whereas this policy is payable to the Hamilton Manufactur ec 4 ing Company; and Now, therefore, Vesolved; In that It. C. gowran, Treasurer If this Company be and hereby is authorized to assign or release the interest of this Company in said policy mentioned above to the said Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Company for its cash value loan, paid-up or other value which the said Company may grant therefor Minutes of this meeting read and approved. Loted that the meeting do now adjourn sine die L.J. Nash. Secretary. ie die.

26 Two Rivers, Wis, Dec. 31-1918. On this day at two velock . P. M. the directors of the Hamilton Manufacturing Company held a meeting at the company's office. Present, J. E. Hamilton, president, and L. J. Mash, secretary. H. P. Hamilton, being sick and confined to a hospital in Chicago, was unable to attend. Thereupon the following proceedings were had. I. J. Mash introduced the following resolution. Resolved, that the Hamilton Manufacturing Company resume the payment of dividends upon its common stock and that until the further order of the directors the bompany pay a quarterly dividend of Ten Dollars on each share of said stock, such payments to be made on or about the 3th days of January, april, July and October." Adopted. Minutes of this meeting read and approved. boted that this meeting do now adjourn sine die. Secretary

eeting

eident

and

e to

re had.

w

ily

stock,

lye ted.

journed sine die. Lyman J. Nath. Secretary. ed, d hereby ach of the nilton ull τ, 4 reured its. low Confeng gw w turing the W may

MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF DIRECTORS

Manitowoc, Wisconsin, November 24, 1919.

A special meeting of the board of directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company was held this day at 2 o'clock P.M. at the office of Nash, Nash & Ledvina, in the Dempsey Block in the city of Manitowoc by consent of all the directors. Meeting was called to order by J. E. Hamilton, president. L. J. Nash, secretary, was present and acting as such.

The secretary called the roll of directors which disclosed the following present in person, constituting the full board:

J. E. Hamilton, George S. Hamilton, L. J. Nash.

The president stated to the meeting that certain negotiations were pending between some of the stockholders of this company, whereby some of the stockholders proposed to sell certain shares of stock to other stockholders; that a written contract has been prepared, to be signed by J. E. Hamilton, Walter C. Clerk. Charles E. Spindler and L. J. Nash, as sellers of said stock, and by H. C. Gowran, George S. Hamilton, T. W. Suddard and Harry Rowley, as buyers of said stock; and that said written contract is intended to be executed also by The Hamilton Manufacturing Company but for the sole purpose of evidencing its intention and ability to pay cash dividends of not less than \$44.00 per share on its outstanding shares of common stock during each year for ten years beginning with the year 1920.

The following resolution was offered by George S. Hamilton:

RESOLVED, that the president and secretary of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company be, and they hereby are, authorised and empowered to execute in behalf of said corporation and in its corporate name the contract described by the statement of the president recorded in the minutes of this meeting.

ilton:

Nin

ath

Adopted.

The following resolution was offered by George S. Ham-

ilton:

ek

Nash,

nd /

W=

eny

WHEREAS, it is desirable that the board of directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company be increased from three to five, and that its authorized issue of preferred stock be increased from \$500,000 to \$1,000,000.

RESOLVED, that a special meeting of the stockholders of the corporation be, and it hereby is, called to be held at the company's office in the city of Two Rivers on the 19th day of December, 1919, to consider and act upon amendments to the articles of organization permitting such changes in the board of directors and in the authorized issue of preferred stock, and any other amendments which may come before said special meeting of stockholders.

Adopted.

There being no further business to come before this directors' meeting, the same was on motion adjourned sine die.

Secretary.

Minutes correct.

Attest:

Directors.

Two Rivers, Wisconsin, December 26, 1919.

unanin

by sai

resign

reques

Board

portion

on the

accepts

resigns

Was una

Th

elect a after th

of organ

portion

lected.

On this day at 3 o'clock P.M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company met at the company's office pursuant to notice given by the Secretary as required by the articles of ore ganization and the by-laws. Meeting called to order by Geo. S. Hamilton, Vice President, the President of the company being absent. L. J. Nash, Secretary, present and acting as such.

The roll being called, the following directors were found to be present, constituting a quorum of the board: Geo. S. Hamilton and L. J. Nash.

The Vice President announced to the board that at a special meeting of the stockholders of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company held on the 19th day of December, 1919, a resulution was adopted amending the articles of organization so as to increase the Board of Directors from three to five, and providing that one of the directors might be elected chairman of the Board of Directors; that said resolution would presently be certified to the Secretary of State and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds in this county, so as to become effective; that said amendment when filed and recorded, would have the affect of creating a vacancy in the Board of Directors as to two directors; and that under Article IX. of the Articles of Organization of this company, the directors have power to fill such vacancy for the unexpired portion of the current year.

Thereupon the following resolution was offered by L. J. Nash:

RESOLVED that this Board of Directors proceed to elect by ballot two directors, in addition to the three directors now in office, which two directors now to be elected shall take their offices after the filing and recording of the amendment to the articles of organization whereby the Board of Directors is increased from three to five; such two additional directors to hold their offices as such for the unexpired portion of the current year or until their successors shall be elected.

Adopted.

An election being had pursuant to the foregoing resolution the following named stockholders of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company were

-1-

unanimously elected directors to take office and serve as prescribed by said resolution: T. W. Suddard and Harry Rowley.

L. J. Nash thereupon presented to the Board of Directors his resignation as Secretary of the company and as Director thereof and requested that before acceptance of said resignation the present Board of Directors proceed to elect one stockholder to fill the vacancy as director created by said resignation, for the unexpired portion of the current year. The resignation was permitted to lie on the table and the following resolution was offered by L. J. Nash:

RESOLVED that this Board of Directors proceed to elect by ballot one director, to fill the vacancy which will result from the acceptance of the resignation of L.J. Nash as a director of the corporation, such new director to take office on the acceptance of said resignation and to continue to hold the same for the unexpired portion of the current year or until his successor shall be elected.

Adopted.

An election being had pursuant to the foregoing resolution the following stockholder of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company was unanimously elected director to take office and serve as prescribed by said resolution: H. C. Gowran.

Thereupon the resignation of L.J. Nash as Secretary and Director, was unanimously accepted. L. J. Nash retired from the meeting and H. C. Gowran took his seat as a member of the Board of Directors.

On motion H. C. Gowran was elected temporary Secretary for the purpose of continuing the recording of minutes of this meeting.

The following resolution was offered by H. C. Gowran:

Resolved that this board of directors proceed by ballot to elect a chairman of the board to take office and hold the same after the filing and recording of the amendment to the articles of organization providing for the election of a chairman lof the board of directors, and to hold such office for the unexpired portion of the current year or until his successor shall be elected.

Adopted.

An election being had pursuant to the foregoing resolution the following named director of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company was unanimously elected chairman of the Board of Directors to take office and serve as prescribed by said resolution: J. E. Hamilton.

-2-

1 be

nsin.

The

uant

0119

to be

nd L.

8

d

IX.

1818

sh:

allot

which

such

nex-

the

my were

The secretary thereupon reported that there had been filed with him certain resignations, as follows: Resignation of J. E. Hamilton, as President; resignation of Geo. S. Hamilton, as Vice President; resignation of H. C. Gowran, as Treasurer; also that the office of Secretary had become vacant by action of the Board of Directors accepting resignation of L. J. Nash as such secretary.

Thereupon the following resolution was offered by H. C. Gowran:

RESOLVED, that the resignation of J. E. Hamilton, as President, and of Geo. S. Hamilton, as Vice President and of H. C. Gowran, as Treasurer, be and the same hereby are, accepted.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that this Board of Directors proceed to elect by ballot a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer to serve for the unexpired portion of the current year or until their respective successors shall be elected.

Adopted.

An election being had pursuant to the foregoing resolution the following named persons were unanimously elected to the offices respectively set opposite their names below, to serve as such as prescribed by the resolution last adopted:

President, Geo. S. Hamilton

Vice President, H. C. Gowran

Secretary, Thos. W. Suddard

Treasurer, Harry Rowley

Thereupon the following resolution was offered by H. C. Gow ran:

WHEREAS, during the year last past The Hamilton Manufacturing Company has paid dividends upon its common stock in the sum of Ten Dollars on each share on or about the 5th days of January, April, July and October, pursuant to a resolution of the Board of Directors adopted on December 31, 1918, and

WHEREAS, it is considered by this Board of Directors to be proper at this time to raise the dividend rate on said common stock; now therefore

RESOLVED, that this Company hereafter and until the further order of the Directors pay a quarterly dividend of Eleven Dollars (\$11.00) on each share of its common stock, such payments to be made on or about the 5th days of January, April, July and October.

Adopted.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, the same was on motion adjourned sine die.

Secretary pro tem.

dard an

The Hami

pursuan

cles of

George i

the corp

the pury

be prese

H. C. G

neeting

ratifie

corded:

evidenc

Harry R Company

stock ho of the

and to

non stor

have co

H. C. G time to for the

then fo stock;

require

'acturi

Two Rivers, Wisconsin, December 30. 1919.

On this day at 3 o'clock P.M. the Board of Directors of
The Hamilton Manufacturing Company met at the Company's office
pursuant to notice given by the Secretary as required by the articles of organization and the by-laws. Meeting called to order by
George S. Hamilton, President. In the absence of the Secretary of
the corporation H. C. Gowran was appointed temporary Secretary for
the purpose of recording the minutes of this meeting.

ct

00.50

to da

Company

on each

pursu-1, 1918,

oper at

rder

t the

rec-

On calling the roll, the following directors were found to be present constituting a quorum of the board, George S. Hamilton, and H. C. Gowran. J. E. Hamilton, director, although absent from the meeting has inspected these minutes and approved of the same and ratified and consented to the resolution adopted and hereafter recorded; and of this his signature appended to these minutes as evidence.

The following resolution was offered by H. C. Gowran: -

WHEREAS, H. C. Gowran, Geo. S. Hamilton, Thos. W. Suddard and Harry Rowley, all of whom are now stockholders of The Hamilton Mfg. Company, have entered into a contract to purchase from certain other stockholders One Hundred Forty Six and Eight-tenths (146-8/10) shares of the common stock of said company during the month of January, 1920, and to purchase from said other stockholders a like amount of said common stock in the months of January in each following year until and including the year 1929; and

WHEREAS, the present holders and owners of said common stock have consented in writing that this Company may loan money to said H. C. Gowran, Geo. S. Hamilton, Thos. W. Suddard and Harry Rowley, from time to time, which money must be used by the four persons last named for the payment of shares purchased; and

WHEREAS, the said H.C. Gowran, Geo. S. Hamilton, Thos. W. Suddard and Harry Rowley, have applied to this Company to make loans to them for the purpose prescribed in said contract for the purchase of stock; and

WHEREAS, this Company now has in current funds not otherwise required in its business a sum of \$ 129184

NOW THEREFORE, resolved by the Directors of The Hamilton Manuacturing Company that said Company loan to said H.C. Gowran, Geo. S.

Hamilton, Thos. w. Suddard and Harry Rowley, a sum of money not exceeding that set forth in the last preceding paragraph of this resolution, which amount will be divided among the four borrowers mentioned in the proportions they designate; and that the Company take from each of them a negotiable promissory note, payable to the Company, carrying 5% per annum interest and maturing years after date, to evidence the money so loaned; and that the Company require said borrowers to deposit with the Company as collateral security to the amount respectively borrowed by each of them the number of shares of the common stock of said Company purchased with the money so borrowed; the certificates for said shares so deposited to be held by the Treasurer of the Company as collateral security aforesaid until full payment of said notes, as to both principal and interest.

Adopted.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, the meeting was on motion adjourned sine die.

Secretary, pro tem.

Hamilt

follow

by the

Thos.

prese

GOWTE

the p

Minutes correct.

ANNUAL MEETING OF DIRECTORS

Two Rivers, Wisconsin, February 16, 1920.

On this day at nine o'clock P. M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company met at the Company's office, immediately following the annual stockholders meeting; and pursuant to notice given by the Secretary as required by the articles of organization and the by-laws. Meeting called to order by George S. Hamilton, President. Thos. W. Suddard. Secretary, present and acting as such.

On calling the roll the following directors were found to be present constituting a quorum of the Board: George S. Hamilton, H. C. Gowran. Thos. W. Suddard and Harry Rowley.

Minutes of previous meetings of the Board of Directors held during the past year, were read and approved.

The following resolution was presented by Harry Rowley:

RESOLVED, that this Board proceed by ballot to elect officers for the current year and until their successors shall be elected.

Adopted.

BIS

h of pur-

hares Lateral

h prin-

Of

an

Pursuant to said resolution a ballot was taken and the following officers were unanimously elected: President George S. Hamilton; Vice-president H. C. Gowran; Secretary Thos. W. Suddard; Treasurer Harry Rowley; chairman of Board of Directors. J. E. Hamilton.

The following resolution was offered by Thos. W. Suddard:

WHEREAS, under the articles of organization of this Company, as amended, the redemption price of preferred stock issued by the Company ought to be fixed by resolution of the Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, certain shares of preferred stock have heretofore been sold and issued by the Company upon an agreement with the preferred stockholders that the redemption price of said preferred stock should be \$105 per share, although no affirmative action by the Board of Directors appears recorded in its minute books; now therefore

RESOLVED, by this board of Directors that the redemption price on all preferred stock of the Company heretofore issued or hereafter to be issued be, and it hereby is, fixed at \$105 per share.

Adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Harry Rowley:

WHEREAS, H. C. Gowran, George S. Hamilton, Thos. W. Suddard and Harry Rowley have heretofore entered into contract with certain stockholders of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company, under the terms of which contract said Gowran, Hamilton, Suddard and Rowley have become obligated to purchase from said other stockholders 146.8 shares of the common stock of said Company in each year for a period of ten years, beginning with the year 1920; and

WHEREAS, it is considered desirable that The Hamilton Manufacturing Company place itself in a position to distribute some of its common stock to employes who may be willing and able to purchase the same, annually during said period of ten years; and

WHEREAS, the authorized common stock of said Company is now substantially all outstanding, so that the Company is unable to offer any of said common stock to its employes unless it shall have first acquired the same by purchase from others; and

WHEREAS, said Gowran, Hamilton, Suddard and Rowley have offered to grant to the Company an option for the purchase from them by the Company of not more than 46.8 shares of common stock in each year for a period of ten years beginning with 1920, which option has been reduced to writing and filed with the Secretary, and to which written option reference is hereby made; now therefore

RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company, that said Company be, and it hereby is authorized and empowered to take such an option as has been herein-before described from said Gowran, Hamilton, Suddard and Rowley, and that the President and Secretary of the Company be, and they hereby are authorized and directed to execute in the name of the Company the written option agreement heretofore filed with the Secretary and particularly referred to in this resolution.

Adopted.

The following resolution was offered by H. C. Gowran:

WHEREAS, The Hamilton Manufacturing Company has heretofore sold certain real estate, consisting of residence property, to some of its employes; and

WHEREAS, upon making said sales the Company has executed and delivered deeds of four separate parcels to the following persons: John Weiss, E. Schlundt, George Peot and Frank Bouda, which deeds were signed and sealed by the officers of the corporation in accordance with law, but without specific precedent authorization by this Board of Directions; now therefore

RESOLVED, that the action of the officers of the corporation in executing and delivering said deeds be, and the same hereby is ratified, approved and confirmed.

Adopted.

There being no further business to come before the directors, the meeting was no motion adjourned sine die.

Secretary.

The Hami

presiden

present o

Mana and

maeting w

Two Rivers, Wisconsin, February 25, 1920.

On this day at three o'clock P. M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company met at the Company's office pursuant to notice. Meeting called to order by H. C. Gowran, Vice-president. Thos. W. Suddard, Secretary, present and acting as such.

On calling the roll the following directors were found to be present constituting a quorum of the Board: H. C. Gowran, Thos. W. Suddard and Harry Rowley.

The following resolution was offered by Harry Rowley:

RESOLVED, that the President or Vice-president of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company, and the Secretary of the Company, be and they hereby are authorized and directed to sign in behalf of the Company, and seal and deliver to William Hamacheck a deed for the residence property recently sold him by said Company.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the contract for the sale of said property to William Hamacheck, heretofore entered into by the officers of the Company, be and the same hereby is ratified, approved and confirmed.

Adopted.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned on motion.

Secretary.

Two Rivers, Wisconsin, March 3. 1920.

On this day at three o'clock P. M. the Board of Directors of
The Hamilton Manufacturing Company met at the Company's office pursuant to notice. Meeting called to order by H. C. Gowran, Vicepresident. Thos. W. Suddard, Secretary, present and acting as such.

On calling the roll the following directors were found to be present constituting a quorum of the Board: H. C. Gowran, Thos. W. Suddard and Harry Rowley.

The following resolution was offered by Harry Rowley:

BE IT RESOLVED. That the Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company, a Wisconsin corporation having its principal office at Two Rivers, wisconsin, do hereby authorize and empower H. C. Gowran, Vice-President for and on behalf of said corporation, to execute a bond in the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000), required to be furnished by said corporation to the United States of America for the use and sale of distilled spirits and wines, in accordance with all the requirements of the laws of the United States now or hereafter enacted, and regulations issued pursuant thereto respecting the use and sale of distilled spirits and wines for other than beverage purposes.

Having executed said bond without authority of the Board of Directors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company hereby approve, confirm and in all things ratify the act of H. C. Gowran in the execution of a bond for and in behalf of said Company in the penal sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000), dated December 31, 1919, as herein authorized and directed.

Adopted.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned on motion.

Secretary.

RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company that an increase in the authorized An increase from Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand (\$250,000) Dollars to Two Million, Five Hundred Thousand (\$2,500,000.)

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a special meeting of stockholders be had, and it hereby is called, same to be held at the company's office at one o'clock P.M. on August 14, 1920 for the purpose of considering and acting upon this recom-

Resolution being adopted, the meeting was adjourn-

NOTICE OF SPECIAL STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING

Two Rivers, Wisconsin August 4, 1920

TO THE HOLDERS OF THE COMMON STOCK OF THE HAMILTON MFG. CO.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that pursuant to action taken by the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company, a special meeting of the stockholders of said Company is hereby called, to be held at the Company's office at the City of Two Rivers, Wisconsin, on the 14th day of August, 1920, at one o'clock P.M. The purpose of the special meeting hereby called is to consider and act upon the recommendation of the Directors that the authorized capital stock of the Company be increased as follows: That the authorized issue of common stock be increased from Two Hundred Fifty Thousand (\$250,000.) Dollars, at par, to Two Million Five Hundred Thousand (\$2,500,000.) Dollars, at par.

If you are unable to be present in person at this special meeting of stockholders, kindly fill out, sign and mail the enclosed proxy to the undersigned.

Two Rivers, Wisconsin November 23, 1920. and that

remi t

9 fts

On this day at three o'clock P.M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company met at the Company's office, by consent of all the Directors. Meeting called to order by J. E. Hamilton, Chairman of the Board. Thos. W. Suddard, Secretary, present and acting as such.

The Secretary called the roll of Directors which disclosed the following present in person, constituting the full Board:

J. E. Hamilton
H. C. Gowran
George S. Hamilton
Thos. W. Suddard
H. Rowley

The Chairman informed the Board that the capital stock of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company had been increased, at a special stockholders' meeting held August 14, 1920; that by the amendment adopted at said special stockholders' meeting, the authorized capital . stock of the Company became \$3,500,000, consisting of \$2,500,000 of common stock and \$1,000,000 of preferred stock; that on the date of this special meeting of the Board of Directors the number of shares of common stock issued and outstanding is 2500 or less, having a par value of \$250,000 or less, the Secretary being able to state the precise number of outstanding shares of common stock for the benefit of the other Directors; that on this day the surplus of the Company is in excess of \$2,250,000; that a stock dividend of 90% can be declared and paid to the present holders of the common stock, payable in fresh issues of the stock of the Company, either common or preferred, or both; and that he, the Chairman, recommended that the surplus of the Company. or a sufficient amount thereof to equal 900% of the par value of the common stock now outstanding, be transferred to capital stock account,

and that a stock dividend of 900% be now declared upon the common stock, payable in fresh issues of common stock to the holders of record this day.

After discussion the following resolution was offered by Mr. Rowley:

RESOLVED, That there be and hereby is transferred from surplus account to capital stock account a sum equal to 900% of the par value of the common stock of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company now outstanding;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That proper entries be made on the books of the Company reducing its surplus account and increasing its capital stock account in accordance with this resolution;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That there be and hereby is declared a stock dividend of 900%, payable pro rata to all of the holders of record of the common stock of the Company, according to its records of this date, and that said stock dividend be paid and distributed in fresh issues of the common stock of the Company.

Adopted: ayes 5, noes none.

The following resolution was offered by George S.

Hamilton:

tors

ice.

J. B.

pre-

closed

ock of

nent

capital

000 of

ate of

shares

g a par

the pre-

any is

declared

in fresh

d, or both;

e Company,

of the

account,

WHEREAS, at the meeting of the Board of Directors held on December 26, 1919, it was voted to pay a quarterly dividend of \$11.00 per share on each share of the common stock of the Company, such payments to be made on or about the 5th days of January, April, July and October; and

WHEREAS, the Company has paid four quarterly dividends pursuant to said resolution, viz: the dividends maturing on the 5th days of January, April, July and October, 1920; and

WHEREAS, by resolution adopted by the Board of Directors at this special meeting, declaring a stock dividend of 900% payable in common stock, said Board has in effect multiplied the number of outstanding shares of common stock by ten; and

WHEREAS, the Company could not pay quarterly dividends of \$11.00 per share on ten times as many shares as were in existence at the time said quarterly dividend was resolved upon; now therefore

RESOLVED, that this Company hereafter and until the further order of the Directors pay a quarterly dividend of One Dollar and Ten Cents (\$1.10) on each share of its common stock, such payments to be made on or about the 5th days of January, April, July and October.

Adopted: ayes 5, noes none.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. H. C.

Gowran:

WHEREAS, on November 24, 1919, at a special meeting of the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company a resolution was adopted authorizing the officers of the Company to join in the execution of a certain contract, whereby J. E. Hamilton, Walter C. Clarke, Charles E. Spindler and L. J. Nash proposed to sell and transfer shares of the Common Stock of the Company to H. C. Gowran, George S. Hamilton, T. W. Suddard and Harry Rowley; and

WHEREAS, under date of December 1, 1919 such a contract was executed by the four sellers above named and by the four buyers above named and by the Company; and

WHEREAS, at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company held on February 16, 1920 a resolution was adopted authorizing the officers of the Company, in its behalf to take an option on some of the common stock to be acquired, under the contract above referred to, by said Gowran, Hamilton, Suddard and Rowley; and

WHEREAS, it has been reported to this Board of Directors that said contract of December 1, 1919 has been wholly abrogated and annulled by all of the parties signatory thereto, including The Hamilton Manufacturing Company and that said four buyers propose to enter into new contracts with the owners of some of the common stock of the Company, for the purchase of same upon terms differing from the terms of said contract of December 1, 1919; and

WHEREAS, the abrogation of said contract of December 1, 1919 and the proposed action of said buyers in entering into new contracts for the purchase of shares of common stock from the present owners thereof, will necessarily affect the rights and obligations of the Company by reason of the fact that the Company was a party to said abrogated contract and later acquired an option upon certain of the shares of stock which were the subject of said contract; now therefore

RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company, that the action of the President and Secretary of the Company in joining in the written abrogation and annulment of said contract of December 1, 1919, be and hereby is ratified and approved.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that said President and Secretary be, and they hereby are, authorized to execute in the name of the Company any contracts, options or agreements which may be necessary or advisable, for the best interests of the Company, in connection with any new contract or contracts by which said buyers acquire the right to purchase shares of said common stock from the present owners thereof, and specifically said President and Secretary are authorized to execute, in behalf of the Company and in its name, contracts in the form submitted to said directors

ton,

at

BIJ

tion

ire

re"

TS

certificates for said dividend stock, all charges made by the Company against said J. E. Hamilton for cash or preferred stock furnished him in connection with the purchase of said Spindler stock, be cancelled and annulled.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that pursuant to the contract made by the said J. E. Hamilton with the representatives of the estate of Charles E. Spindler, deceased, a copy of which contract has been exhibited to the directors at this meeting, the President and Secretary of the Company are hereby authorized and directed to issue a certificate for 1223.1 shares of common stock to J. E. Hamilton, as purchaser of said Spindler stock, which new certificate for 1223.1 shares of common stock shall represent the stock dividend distributable to the owner of said 135.9 shares of common stock, pursuant to the stock dividend heretofore declared at this meeting; or, that in view of the fact that said dividend stock is coming directly back into the company's treasury, said certificate for the dividend stock may be not issued at all, if the President and Secretary so elect.

the min

Adopted: ayes 5, noes none.

The following resolution was offered by George S.

Hamilton:

WHEREAS, by the terms of the contract recently made by J. E. Hamilton, acting for and in behalf of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company, whereby he purchased from the estate of Charles E. Spindler, deceased, 135.9 shares of the Company's common stock, the said J. E. Hamilton undertook to repurchase from Edwin C. Spindler and from Walter E. Spindler, 797 shares of the preferred stock of this Company which said Edwin C. Spindler and Walter E. Spindler have agreed to accept in part payment for the shares of common stock purchased by said J. E. Hamilton; and

WHEREAS, said agreement of J. E. Hamilton to repurchase said preferred stock obligates him to repurchase the same at the rate of one-fourth thereof in one year, another fourth in two years, another fourth in three years and the remainder thereof in four years, at par and accrued dividends; and

WHEREAS, the said J. E. Hamilton entered into said contract at the request of the Company and for its benefit; now therefore

RESOLVED, by the Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company that the President and Secretary be and they hereby are authorized and directed to bind the Company by contract or memorandum, satisfactory to said J. E. Hamilton, to take off his hands by way of purchase or redemption, at par and accrued dividends, any preferred stock which he may hereafter

be compelled to repurchase from said Spindlers.

Adopted: ayes 5, noes none.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the same was on motion adjourned. All of the Directors have signed the minutes to evidence their waiver of notice and their personal presence at the meeting.

Attest:

Secretary

Harry Rowley

Directors

t

zed

ller tock mer k view ck dend tary

Se

d

WO .

0-

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That all checks appearing either by writing, or printing, or both, to be drawn against said account shall be signed by H. C. Gowran, or G. S. Hamilton, or Thos. W. Suddard or Harry Rowley and that no checks drawn against said account shall be valid unless so signed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That said The National Bank of the Republic of Chicago is hereby authorized and directed to honor and pay any checks so drawn when so signed, whether such checks be payable to the order of the person or persons (if more than one) so authorized to sign checks, in his or either of their (if more than one) individual capacity or not, and whether such checks are deposited to his or their (if more than one) individual credit or not; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That said The National Bank of the Republic of Chicago is authorized to accept as the endorsement of this corporation on any checks, drafts, or bills made payable to, or to the order of this corporation or otherwise, an endorsement made either in the manner hereinabove authorized for the signing or drawing of checks, or by any person affixing an endorsing stamp in the name of this corporation with or without stating the name or title of an official of this corporation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the foregoing resolution and the powers therein contained shall be binding upon this corporation and said Bank until written notice of any change or changes therein shall have been given to the President, Vice-President, Cashier or Assistant Cashier of said Bank.

Adopted: Ayes - 4 Noes, none.

Minutes of this meeting read and approved.

Voted that the meeting be now adjourned sine die.

Moon Ludard Secretary

Two Rivers, Wisconsin January 8, 1921

On this day at 1 o'clock P.M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company met at the Company's office by consent of all of the directors, the following members being present: G. S. Hamilton, H. C. Gowran, T. W. Suddard and H. Rowley.

Mr. Gowran offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That G. S. Hamilton as President of this company and H. C. Gowran as Vice President of this company and T. W. Suddard as Secretary of this company and Harry Rowley as Treasurer of this company, be and each of them hereby is authorized and empowered to sign on behalf of the company and in its name, promissory notes, drafts, checks and other commercial paper; that Lillie Lahey as Cashier of this company be, and she hereby is authorized and empowered to endorse for the company and in its name, notes, drafts, checks and other commercial paper, and to make such endorsements by rubber stamp if the convenience of business requires it.

Adopted: Ayes, 4; Noes; none.

Minutes of this meeting read and approved.

Voted that the meeting be adjourned sine die.

Secretary

LEHamiton Holdanitton Monuturan House

3 . 20,1920

Hamilton

the

Gowran.

tes

9

to

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Two Rivers, Wisconsin March 29, 1921

teri

10W

1000

offi

1081

turi

be a

of the

nece

Unit

Comp

inco

clair

May

affi

Rive

On this date at nine o'clock P.M. the Board of directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company met at the Company's office immediately following the annual stock-holders meeting; and pursuant to notice given by the Secretary as required by the articles of organization and the by-laws.

Meeting called to order by George S. Hamilton, President; Thos. W. Suddard, Secretary, present and acting as such.

On calling the roll the following Directors were found to be present, constituting a quorum of the Board: George S. Hamilton, H. C. Gowran, Thos. W. Suddard and H. Rowley.

The minutes of previous meetings of the Board of Directors held during the past year were read and approved.

The following resulution was presented by H. C.

Gowran:

RESOLVED, That this Board proceed by ballot to elect officers for the current year and until their successors shall be elected.

Adopted.

Pursuant to said resolution a ballot was taken and the following officers were unanimously elected:

President - - - George S. Hamilton
Vice President - - H. C. Gowran
Secretary - - - Thos. W. Suddard
Treasurer - - - Harry Rowley
Chairman, Board of
Directors - - J. E. Hamilton

There being no further business to come before the Directors, the meeting was on motion adjourned sine die.

Secretary

State of Wisconsin)ss:

the

I, Thomas W. Suddard, Secretary of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company, a Wisconsin corporation of the City of Two Rivers, Manitowoo County, State of Wisconsin, hereby certify that the following is a true copy of a resolution duly adopted at a special meeting of the Board of Directors of said company, held at its office in said City of Two Rivers on the 17th day of June, 1921, at which meeting there were present in person all members of said Board of Directors:

RESOLVED, By the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company, that the Vice President of said Company, H.C.Gowran, be and he hereby is authorized and empowered to execute in the name of the Company, any bond, contracts, undertaking or other instrument necessary for the use of the Company in making claim against the United States for abatement of the additional tax imposed on said Company by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue on account of 1918 income. And also, in connection with any claim for refund or other claim for relief against said additional tax which this company may hereafter make.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the corporate seal of said Company at said City of Two Rivers this 18th day of June, 1921.

Secretary

Two Rivers, Wisconsin June 17, 1 9 2 1

eù 1

from

Com

there

be pl

ceiv

On this day at two o'clock P.M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company convened by consent of all members of the Board, the following members being present: G. S. Hamilton, H. C. Gowran, T. W. Suddard and H. Rowley.

Mr. Rowley offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED, By the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company, that the Vice President of said Company, H. C. Gowran be and he hereby is authorized and empowered to execute in the name of the Company, any bond, contracts, undertaking or other instrument necessary for the use of the company in making claim against the United States for abatement of the additional tax imposed on said company by the Commissioner of Internal Revenue on account of 1918 income. And also, in connection with any claim for refund or other claim for relief against said additional tax which this company may hereafter make.

Adopted - Ayes 4; Noes, none.

Minutes of this meeting read and approved.

Voted that the meeting be now adjourned, sine die.

Secretary

Howan

Maureon

Whereand

Two Rivers, Wisconsin January 6, 1 9 2 2

On this day at 3 o'clock P.M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company convened by consent of all of the members of the Board, the following members being present:

G. S. Hamilton, H. C. Gowran, T. W. Suddard and H. Rowley.

Mr. Gowran offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That an account shall be established in the name of this Company with The Corn Exchange National Bank of Chicago, wherein may be deposited any of the funds of this Company, whether represented by cash, checks, notes or other evidences of debt, and from which withdrawals are hereby authorized in the name of the Company, by any of the following:

George S. Hamilton H. C. Gowran Thos. W. Suddard Harry Rowley Finch Clarke

Endorsements for deposit may be by the written or stamped endorsement of the Company, without designation of the party making the enforsement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That any of the following officers - George S. Hamilton, President and H. C. Gowran, Vice President, may from time to time borrow money in the name of the Company from The Corn Exchange National Bank of Chicago and give the Company's notes therefore in such amounts and for such time and rate of interest as may be designated on said notes, or the Bank's custom, and there may be pledged for the payment of such notes any of the bills receivable, stocks, bonds or other property of said Company, and the bills receivable of said Company, may be offered to said Bank for re-discount or for purchase on the endorsement of any of said officers.

Adopted, Ayes 4; Noes, None

Minutes of this meeting read and approved.

Voted that the meeting be now adjourned sine die.

Secretary

Holpwan

How Hamitten

Copy of affadavit Sent to Bank

I, Thos. W. Suddard Secretary of the Hamilton
Wisconsin , do hereby certify that I am keeper of the records
and the minutes of the proceedings of the Board of Directors of said
Company, and that on the 6th day of January 1922, there was
held a meeting of the Board of Directors of said Company, which was
duly called and held in accordance with law, and the by-laws of the
Company, and at which a quorum of the Directors was present; and at
said meeting the following action was duly and legally taken:

RESOLVED, that an account shall be established in the name of this Company with The Corn Exchange National Bank of Chicago, wherein may be deposited any of the funds of this Company, whether represented by cash, dhecks, notes or other evidences of debt, and from which withdrawals are hereby authorized in the name of the Company, by any ____ of the following:

George S. Hamilton H. C. Gowran Thos. W. Suddard Harry Rowley Finch Clarke

Endorsements for deposit may be by the written or stamped endorsement of the Company, without designation of the party making the endorsement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that any of the following officers, - George S. Hamilton, President and H. C. Gowran, Vice-President

may from time to time borrow money in the name of the Company from The Corn Exchange National Bank of Chicago and give the Company's notes therefor in such amounts and for such time and rate of interest as may be designated on said notes, or the Bank's custom, and there may be pledged for the payment of such notes any of the bills receivable, stocks, bonds or other property of said Company, and the bills receivable of said Company, may be offered to said Bank for re-discount or for purchase on the endorsement of any of said officers.

I further certify that the following persons are the officers of this Company and those authorized to sign in the foregoing resolutions as designated, and that the signatures hereon are the true signatures of such officers and persons.

Geo. S. Hamilton H. C. Gowran Thos. W. Suddard H. Rowley

President Vice President Secretary Treasurer

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as Secretary of said Company and have attached hereto the official seal of said corporation, this 7th day of January, 1922.

Thos. W. Suddard Secretary

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Two Rivers, Wisconsin March 7, 1922

On this date at six o'clock P.M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company met at the Company's office immediately following the annual stockholders meeting; and pursuant to notice given by the Secretary as required by the articles of organization and the by-laws.

Meeting called to order by George S. Hamilton President; Thos. W. Suddard, Secretary, present and acting as such.

On calling the roll the following Directors were found to be present, constituting a quorum of the Board: George S. Hamilton, H. C. Gowran, Thos. W. Suddard and H. Rowley.

The minutes of the previous meetings of the Board of Directors held during the past year were read and approved.

The following resolution was presented by H. C. Gowran:

RESOLVED, That this Board proceed by ballot to elect officers for the current year or until their successors shall be elected.

Adopted.

rds

Baid

at

f this may be

y cash,

als the

nent

ement.

notes

ions

Pursuant to said resolution a ballot was taken and the following officers were unanimously elected:

President -- George S. Hamilton Vice President -- H. C. Gowran Secretary -- Thos. W. Suddard Treasurer -- H. Rowley

Chairman, Board of Directors - J. E. Hamilton

It being too late to take up the financial statement in detail it was decided to put this matter over for a special meeting of the Board to be called by the President.

The Meeting was then adjourned sine die.

Secretary

Two Rivers, Wisconsin October 27, 1 9 2 2

On this date at two o'clock P.M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company convened by consent of all members of the Board, the following members being present:

H. C. Gowran, T. W. Suddard and H. Rowley.

Mr. Rowley offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer or either of them, is separately authorized to sign and execute on behalf of this company, any and all proposals which may be submitted and any contracts, bonds or other documents relative to any work which is or may be awarded by the United States Government to this company, and also any contracts and bonds with the said Government concerning such work."

Adopted.

Minutes of this meeting read and approved.

Voted that the meeting do now adjourn sine die.

Secretary

Din

Hamithan

Two Rivers, Wisconsin, January 27, 1923.

On this day at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company met, by consent of all of the Directors, at the office of the Company in the City of Two Rivers, Wisconsin.

Meeting called to order by George S. Hamilton, President. T. W. Suddard, Secretary, present and acting as such.

Roll call showed the following Directors present, constituting a quorum:

George S. Hamilton H. C. Gowran T. W. Suddard H. Rowley

The President stated to the Board that this Company had paid an additional federal income tax of about \$19,000 to the Collector of Internal Revenue at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in the month of September, 1922; that the amount mentioned was paid by this Company under protest; that if this Company is to take further action for the recovery of said payment, on the ground that it was unlawfully exacted, it will be necessary that the Company file with said Collector a claim for refund, before the Company can maintain any suit in Court; and that in connection with the filing claim for refund it will be necessary to furnish a written power of attorney to such persons as the Company may desire to have act for it in that connection.

Thereupon the following resolution was offered by Director Rowley:

RESOLVED, By the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company, that said Company by its proper officers execute and deliver a power of attorney to H. C. Gowran and to A. L. Nash, empowering them to represent this Company in connection with filing and prosecuting this Company's claim for refund of the federal income tax heretofore paid by the Company, in September, 1922.

Resolution adopted by unanimous vote.

There being no further business, the meeting was ad-

journed.

rs of

211

and

ocu-

10

work."

Secretary.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Two Rivers, Wisconsin February 26, 1923

On this date at nine o'clock P. M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company met at the Company's office immediately following the annual stockholders meeting; and pursuant to notice given by the Secretary as required by the articles of organization and the by-laws.

Meeting called to order by George S. Hamilton, President; Thos. W. Suddard, Secretary, present and acting as such.

On calling the roll the following Directors were found to be present, constituting a quorum of the Board: George S. Hamilton, H. C. Gowran, Thos. W. Suddard and H. Rowley.

The minutes of the previous meetings of the Board of Directors held during the past year were read and approved.

The following resolution was presented by H. C. Gowran:

RESOLVED, That this Board proceed by ballot to elect officers for the current year or until their successors shall be elected.

Adopted.

MM.

ate,

ley,

im

to

f

ui.

DII-

of

ing Con-

ts Presicetary,

cre=

and

Pursuant to said resolution a ballot was taken and the following officers were unanimously elected:

President -- George S. Hamilton Vice President -- H. C. Gowran Secretary -- Thos. W. Suddard

Treasurer -- H. Rowley

Chairman, Board of
Directors - J. E. Hamilton

After a discussion of the financial statement in detail, the meeting was adjourned sine die.

Secretary

Two Rivers, Wisconsin
December 24, 1923

dir

On this date at two o'clock P. M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Mfg. Co. convened pursuant to consent of all directors.

The following resolution was offered by

Mr. Rowley:

WHEREAS, It is considered by this Board of Directors to be proper at this time to pay an additional divident, now it is therefore

RESOLVED, That this company pay an additional dividend of \$5.00 on each share of its common stock, such payment to be made on or before December 31, 1923.

Adopted.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, the meeting was adjourned sine die.

Secretary

1 wan

Sudans.

Two Rivers, Wisconsin January 2, 1924

On this date at 11 o'clock A. M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Mfg. Co. convened pursuant to consent of all directors.

Mr. Gowran offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, during the year last past The Hamilton Mfg. Co. has paid dividends upon its common stock in the sum of \$1.10 on each share on or about the 5th days of January, April, July and October, pursuant to resolution of the Board of Directors adopted on November 23, 1920;

WHEREAS, it is considered by this Board of Directors to be proper at this time to change the dividend rate on such common stock; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that this company hereafter and until a further order by the directors, pay a quarterly dividend of \$2.75 on each share of its common stock, such payments to be made on or about the 5th days of January, April, July and October.

Adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Rowley:

WHEREAS, The Hamilton Mfg. Co. has heretofore sold some real estate, consisting of residence property, to some of its employees; and

WHEREAS, upon making such sales the company has executed and delivered deeds of two separate properties to the following persons:

Chas. Hansen Winfred Nejedlo

which deeds were signed and sealed by the officers of the corporation in accordance with the law, but without specific precedent authorization by its Board of Directors; now therefore

RESOLVED, that the action of the officers of said corporation in executing and delivering said deeds be, and the same hereby is ratified, approved and confirmed.

Adopted.

June

There being no further business to come before the Board

of Directors, the meeting was adjourned sine die.

Secretary

Two Rivers, Wisconsin January 23, 1924

ele

On this date at 2 o'clock P. M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company convened pursuant to consent of all directors.

Mr. Rowley offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the indebtedness of the four Buyers to the company for borrowed money at the time hereof is no more than \$896,078.81, while the par value of the shares of stock on which this company has a first lien by way of security (that is, the par value of 10,170 shares) is \$1,017,000, and the book value thereof is substantially in excess of said sum, so that the company holds a large amount of excess security for the indebtedness due to it from said Buyers; now therefore

RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company, that the first lien of the company upon the cash dividends hereafter accruing to 4000 shares of common stock be, and the same hereby is, released unto the owners of said stock, to-wit: said Buyers, to the end that said Buyers may hereafter take, use and enjoy all cash dividends as the same accrue on said 4000 shares of common stock, free from any lien or claim on the part of said company; the company retaining, however, its first lien on the stock itself, and retaining possession of the certificates evidencing said stock for the purpose of protecting its said lien, until such time as the indebtedness of the Buyers to the company shall have been paid, or so far reduced as to permit further action in the premises of the Board of Directors.

Adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Gowran:

WHEREAS, the President and Secretary of this Company have under date of January 2 executed a contract in behalf of the Company with George S. Hamilton, H. C. Gowran, Thos. W. Suddard and Harry Rowley relating particularly to 4000 shares of stock of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company on which dividends are released; now therefore

RESOLVED, that the action of the officers of said corporation in executing and delivering said contract be, and the same hereby is ratified, approved and confirmed.

Adopted.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, the meeting was adjourned sing die.

Secretary

Howan Couley

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Two Rivers, Wisconsin March 19, 1924

On this date at nine o'clock P. M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company met at the Company's office immediately following the annual stockholders meeting and pursuant to notice given by the Secretary as required by the articles of organization and the by-laws.

Meeting was called to order by H. C. Gowran, Vice President; Thos. W. Suddard, Secretary, present and acting as such.

On calling the roll the following Directors were found to be present, constituting a quorum of the Board: H. C. Gowran, Thos. W. Suddard and H. Rowley.

The minutes of the previous meetings of the Board of Directors held during the past year were read and approved.

The following resolution was presented by H. Rowley:

RESOLVED, That this Board proceed by ballot to elect officers for the current year or until their successors shall be elected.

Adopted.

sin

6 of

of

88

ectors.

tion

loard

Pursuant to said resolution a ballot was taken and the following officers were unanimously elected:

President -- George S. Hamilton
Vice President -- H. C. Gowran
Secretary -- Thos. W. Suddard
Treasurer -- H. Rowley

Chairman, Board of Directors - J. E. Hamilton

After a discussion of the fixancial statement in detail, the meeting was adjourned sine die.

Two Rivers, Wisconsin March 27, 1925

On this date at 11 o'clock A. M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company convened pursuant to consent of all directors.

Mr. Rowley offered the following resolution:

"BE IT RESOLVED, that the Illinois Merchants Trust Company, a bank of Chicago, be and hereby is designated a depositary in which the funds of this corporation may be deposited by its officers, agents and employes, and that the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer of this Company, and Thos. Ray, Chicago Manager, shall be and each of them hereby is authorized to endorse for deposit or negotiation any and all checks, drafts, notes, bills of exchange, and orders for the payment of money, either belonging to or coming into the possession of this Corporation. Endorsements for deposit may be by the written or stamped endorsement of the Company without designation of the person making the endorsement.

"AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer of this Company and Thos. Ray, Chicago Manager, shall be and each of them hereby is authorized to sign checks and orders for the payment of money withdrawing funds so deposited, and that the said Illinois Merchants Trust Company shall be and hereby is authorized and directed to honor and pay any checks so drawn when so signed, whether such checks be payable to the order of the officer signing them, or any of said officers in their individual capacities or not, and whether they are deposited to the individual credit of the officer signing them, or to the individual credit of any of the other officers or not."

Adopted - Ayes, four; Noes, none.

Minutes of this meeting read and approved.

Voted that the meeting be now ajourned, sine die.

Secretary

Hampan Howlay Now Surand

and

Tisc

Dire and Wisc

a ba

whice offi dent

to e

note

atio

endo

ing

Chic

sign

80 (

Bhal

any to t

in t

posi

to ti

in t

8ign

RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

I, Thos. W. Suddard, do hereby certify that I am the duly elected and qualified secretary and the keeper of the records and corporate seal of THE HAMILTON MFG. CO., a corporation organized and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Wisconsin and that the following is a true and correct copy of certain resolutions duly adopted at a meeting of the Board of Directors thereof, convened and held in accordance with the law and the by-laws of said corporation at its office at Two Rivers, Wisconsin, on the 27th day of March, 1925, and that such resolutions are now in full force and effect.

otors

001-

cany, itary d by ent, y, and here-

any

orders g in-

or f the

ndorse-

Presi-

. Ray, uthor-

with-

Mer-

and

signed,

icer mal he inindiBE IT RESOLVED, that the Illinois Merchants Trust Company, a bank of Chicago, be and hereby is designated a depositary in which the funds of this corporation may be deposited by its officers, agents and employes, and that the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer of this Company, and Thos. Ray, Chicago Manager, shall be and each of them hereby is authorized to endorse for deposit or negotiation any and all checks, drafts, notes, bills of exchange, and orders for the payment of money, either belonging to or coming into the possession of this Corporation. Endorsements for deposit may be by the written or stamped endorsement of the Company without designation of the person making the endorsement.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President, Vice President, Secretary and treasurer of this Company and Thos. Ray, Chicago Manager, shall be and each of them hereby is authorized to sign checks and orders for the payment of money withdrawing funds so deposited, and that the said Illinois Merchants Trust Company shall be and hereby is authorized and directed to honor and pay any checks so drawn when so signed, whether such checks be payable to the order of the officer signing them, or any of said officers in their individual capacities or not, and whether they are deposited to the individual credit of the officer signing them, or to the individual credit of any of the other officers or not.

I further certify that the following persons have been elected, have qualified and are now acting as officers of this corporation in the capacities set opposite their respective names and that the signatures set opposite such names are their signatures.

NAME	OFFICER	SIGNATURE
George S. Hamilton	President	(Signed) Geo. S. Hamilton
Harry C. Gowran	Vice President	(Signed) H. C. Gowran
Harry Rowley	Treasurer Cashier	(Signed) H. Rowley
Thomas W. Suddard	Secretary	(Signed) Thos. W. Suddard

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have affixed my name as Secretary, and have caused the corporate seal of said corporation to be affixed this 27th day of March, 1925.

Secretary

I, H. C. Gowran, a director of said corporation, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of certain resolutions passed as therein set forth.

(Signed) H. C. Gowran

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Two Rivers, Wisconsin April 14, 1925

On this date at 6 o'clock P. M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company met at the Company's office immediately following the annual stockholders' meeting and pursuant to notice given by the Secretary as required by the articles of organization and the by-laws.

Meeting was called to order by Geo. S. Hamilton, President; Thos. W. Suddard, Secretary, present and acting as such.

On calling the roll the following Directors were found to be present, constituting a quorum of the Board: Geo. S. Hamilton, H. C. Gowran, Thos. W. Suddard and H. Rowley.

The minutes of the previous meetings of the Board of Directors held during the past year were read and approved.

The following resolution was presented by H. Rowley:

RESOLVED, That this Board proceed by ballot to elect officers for the current year or until their successors shall be elected.

Adopted.

Pursuant to said resolution a ballot was taken and the following officers were unanimously elected:

President --- George S. Hamilton
Vice President --- H. C. Gowran
Secretary --- Thos. W. Suddard
Treasurer --- H. Rowley
Chairman, Board of

Directors -- J. E. Hamilton

The President reported to the Directors that during 1924 the Company purchased the business or assets of

The Carrom Company -- Ludington, Michigan Chicago Metal Mfg. Co. - Chicago, Illinois

and that on the occasion of each purchase a formal contract of such purchase was entered into with said companies and that at the time each of said contracts was entered into the Directors of The Hamilton Mfg. Co. considered the same and approved them, altho without holding a formal meeting for the purpose.

The President thereupon suggested that in order to make a record of the approval of these contracts and all of the purchases made under them, a resolution of approval and ratification be presented to the Directors at this time. The Directors, after examin-

ing each of said contracts, directed that they be filed with the Secretary.

Director Gowran then offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED by the Directors of The Hamilton Mfg. Co. that the action of the officers of the Company in entering into contracts for the purchase of business or assets of The Carrom Company, Ludington, Michigan and the Chicago Metal Mfg. Co., Chicago, Illinois, which contracts have been submitted to the Directors of this meeting, be, and they are in each case, ratified, approved and confirmed.

Adopted.

Sors

ffice

wrsuant

of

resident;

ound to

Of

y:

11 be

the

ng 1924

of such the time ne Hamilton out hold-

to make a

be prer examinThe following resolution was offered by Mr. Rowley:

WHEREAS, The Hamilton Mfg. Co. has heretofore sold some real estate, consisting of residence property; and

WHEREAS, upon making such sales the Company has issued a deed to John Lackowicz, which was signed and sealed by the officers of the corporation in accordance with the law, but without specific precedent authorization by its Board of Directors; now therefore

RESOLVED, that the action of the officers of said corporation in executing and delivering said deed be, and the same hereby is ratified, approved and confirmed.

Adopted.

After a discussion of the financial statement in detail, the meeting was adjourned sine die.

POWER OF ATTORNEY Treasury Department Bureau of Internal Revenue

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Wisconsin, has constituted and appointed by these presents with full power of substitution and revocation, KixMiller & Baar, George Maurice Morris, Frederick L. Pearce, Willis W. Ritter, attorneys at law, with offices at 815 - 15th Street, N.W., Washington, D. C., its agents and attorneys to appear for it and represent it before the Treasury Department and Bureau of Internal Revenue in connection with any matter involving federal taxes of the said corporation which may be pending before the Treasury Department at any time subsequent to the date hereof and prior to the revocation hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this instrument to be executed by its duly authorized officers under its corporate seal, this 10th day of June, 1925.

Revendan

THE HAMILTON MANUFACTURING COMPANY

By G.S. Hamilton President

ATTEST:

TWSuddark

STAMP

State of Wisconsin)
County of Manitowoc) SS.

I, A. H. Lohman, a Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid, hereby certify that Geo. S. Hamilton and Thos. W. Suddard personally known to me as the parties who signed the foregoing power of attorney, appeared before me and acknowledged that they signed the said document in their official capacity as indicated and that they as such officers, with full authority, executed and attested the same voluntarily for and as the act and deed of said corporation. Given under my hand and seal this 10th day of June, 1925.

Att Lohman Notary Public

POWER OF ATTORNEY

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Wisconsin, has constituted and appointed by these presents with full power of substitution and revocation, Edward Andrew Wilde, Certified Public Accountant of the firm of J. Lee Nicholson & Co., with offices at 2630 Woolworth Eldg., 233 Broadway, New York City, its agent to appear for it and represent it before the Treasury Department and Bureau of Internal Revenue in connection with any matter involving capital stock taxes of said corporation which may be pending before the Treasury Department at any time subsequent to the date hereof and prior to the revocation hereof.

This power of attorney is given in addition to blanket powers of attorney not heretofore revoked, on file in the Treasury Department.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this instrument to be executed by its duly authorized officers under its corporate seal, this 18th day of November, 1925.

The Hamilton Mfg Co

HC Gouran

Vice-President

ATTEST: T.W. Suddard

med.

r for eau

De

date

his

under

PANY

Ham-

heir

iosrs, intar-

Aen

parties ore me STATE OF WISCONSIN) SS.

I, A. H. Lohman, a Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid, hereby certify that H. C. Gowran and T. W. Suddard personally known to me as the parties who signed the foregoing power of attorney, appeared before me and acknowledged that they signed the said document in their official capacity as indicated and that they as such officers, with full authority, executed and attested the same voluntarily for and as the act and deed of said corporation. Given under my hand and seal this 15th day of November, 1925.

AHLOhman Notary Public

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Two Rivers, Wisconsin December 29, 1925

On this date at 2 o'clock P. M. the Board convened pursuant to consent of all directors.

Mr. Gowran offered the following resolution:

"WHEREAS, during the years 1924 and 1925 The Hamilton Mfg. Co. has paid dividends upon its Common Stock in the sum of \$2.75 on each share on or about the 5th days of January, April, July and October, pursuant to resolution of the Board of Directors adopted January 2, 1924;

"WHEREAS, a refinancing of the Corporation is contemplated, it is considered proper at this time to suspend the payment of dividends pending determination of the ability of said Company to pay dividends on its Common Stock; now therefore

"BE IT RESOLVED that this Company suspend payment of dividends on its Common Stock until ordered otherwise by the Board of Directors."

Adopted.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, the meeting was adjourned sine die.

· Mus

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Two Rivers, Wisconsin January 4, 1926

On this date at 10 o'clock A. M. the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Mfg. Co. convened pursuant to consent of all directors.

Mr. Gowran offered the following resolution:

"WHEREAS, on December 29, 1925, pursuant to resolution of the Board of Directors, the payment of dividends on the Common Stock of this Company were suspended pending developments in a plan of refinancing of the Company, and

"WHEREAS, tentative details of said plan of refinancing have been considered favorably and their effect on the ability of the Company have been determined; now therefore

"BE IT RESOLVED that this Company resume payment of dividends upon its Common Stock in the sum of \$1.50 on each share on or about the 5th days of January, April, July and October, and/or until further action by the Board of Directors."

Adopted.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, the meeting was adjourned sine die.

SPECIAL MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Two Rivers, Wisconsin January 5, 1926

On this day at 1 o'clock P. M. the Board of Directors of
The Hamilton Manufacturing Company met at the Company's office by
consent of all of the directors, the following members being
present: G. S. Hamilton, H. C. Gowran, T. W. Suddard and
H. Rowley.

Mr. Gowran offered the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that whereas in a special meeting of Directors held on January 8, 1921, Lillie Lahey as Cashier of this company was authorized and empowered to endorse for the company and in its name, notes drafts, checks and other commercial paper, and to make such endorsements by rubber stamp if the convenience of business requires it; and

WHEREAS the said Lillie Lahey is no longer employed by the company but in her place Adeline Palzer is now Cashier of this company, that the said Adeline Palzer be and she hereby is authorized and empowered to endorse for the company and in its name, notes, drafts, checks and other commercial paper and to make such endorsements by rubber stamp if the convenience of business requires it.

Adopted: Ayes, 4; Noes, none.

Minutes of this meeting read and approved.

Voted that the meeting be adjourned sine die.

Secretory

SPECIAL MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Two Rivers, Wisconsin February 17, 1926

A special meeting of the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company was held at the Company's office in the city of Two Rivers, Wisconsin, on the above date, at the hour of eight o'clock P.M. pursuant to notice delivered to all of the directors in accordance with the Articles of Organization and the By-Laws.

of

ng

orse

fice by

Meeting called to order by George S. Hamilton, President;
Thos. W. Suddard, Secretary, present and acting as such. By direction of the President, the Secretary called the roll of directors which disclosed the following present in person, constituting a quorum of the Board:

George S. Hamilton H. C. Gowran T. W. Suddard H. Rowley

The President informed the Board that the meeting had been called for the purpose of considering the matter of re-organizing the Company, so as to effect a change in its capital structure, it being deemed desirable to convert some part of the Company's share capital into funded debt. The President stated that if this were done, it seemed probable that the Company's earnings could easily take care of interest on a substantial funded debt and discharge the principal within ten years, and that the final result would be favorable for the holders of the Company's common stock.

The President further stated that he had been in negotiation with Folds, Buck & Co., of Chicago, and The Marshall & Ilsley Bank, of Milwaukee, with reference to their purchasing bonds of the Company, if the Company's directors and stockholders agree to a satisfactory form of reorganization; and that the result of such negotiations was a written offer from Folds, Buck & Co. and The Marshall & Ilsley Bank, dated February 15, 1926. The President thereupon laid before the Board the written offer last mentioned, which, in effect, proposed that The Hamilton Manufacturing Company be re-

company's assets, and which would issue in payment therefor its bonds, debentures, preferred stock and common stock, all of which security would be distributable to the present stockholders of the old Company; and on condition that the reorganization be perfected to the satisfaction of Folds, Buck & Co. and The Marshall & Ilsley Bank, they offered to purchase from the stockholders of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company the First Mortgage Bonds of the proposed new company (limited to \$1,000,000 as to principal) at 96 per cent. of the face of such bonds, with accrued interest.

The members of the Board examined the offer of Folds, Buck & Co. and The Marshall & Ilsley Bank, and then thoroughly discussed the matter of a reorganization, and thereupon the following resolution was offered by Mr. Gowran:

RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company that said Company become a party to a reorganization, so as to accomplish a change in its identity and form, and so as to effect a recapitalization.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the President of this Company be, and he hereby is, authorized and directed to cause immediately the organization of a new corporation to be called "Hamilton Manufacturing Company", same to be equipped with all necessary powers for the carrying on of the business which has heretofore been conducted by The Hamilton Manufacturing Company (hereinafter called the Old Company), and empowered to issue 10,000 shares of seven per cent. preferred stock with a par value of \$100 per share, and 15,000 shares of common stock without par value, all voting power in said proposed corporation (hereinafter called the New Company) to be vested in the common stock; said New Company to be so organized that it shall have the same number of directors as the Old Company, and the same general officers, and have full power to issue bonds, debentures and other corporate securities in accordance with the law of Wisconsin.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that, subject to the consent and approval of the voting stockholders of the Old Company, the reorganization above referred to be accomplished as follows:

- (a) The Old Company shall immediately declare and distribute a stock dividend of 18 per cent., the same to be distributed pro rata to the present owners of the Old Company's common stock; such stock dividend to be distributed in the form of certificates of the preferred stock of the Old Company having an aggregate par value of \$450,000. Such stock dividend will absorb the principal part of the Old Company's surplus as of December 31, 1925, thus reducing the book value of the common shares of the Old Company to approximately par, or \$100 per share.
- (b) After the distribution of the stock dividend by the Old Company, as indicated just above, the Old Company will transfer

all of its assets and business to the New Company, and the New Company will accept the same and assume payment of all indebtedness of the Old Company. The New Company will pay for such assets and business by issuing its securities, as outlined in the next following paragraph, to a total par value exactly equal to the par value of the Old Company's common stock, (\$2,500,000) plus the Old Company's then outstanding preferred stock.

S would

18

rued

k k

Was

sturing

18-

and he

ation

sane

busi-

ng

phone

oute

oro

ste8

- (c) The securities so to be issued by the New Company for the assets and business of the Old Company, shall be as follows: \$1,000,000 par value of the New Company's First Mortgage Bonds, and \$300,000 par value of the New Company's notes or debentures, and 12,000 shares of the New Company's no-par-value stock, provided that before issue of said no-par-value sommon stock the directors of the New Company shall fix the consideration to be paid therefor at \$100 per share in money or property, (so that when issued said 12,000 shares shall represent \$1,200,000), and in addition to the foregoing, preferred stock of the New Company of a par value exactly equal to the then outstanding preferred stock of the Old Company, (reckoned at par). The Bonds, Debentures and common stock of the New Company thus issued and delivered to the Old Company and aggregating \$2,500,000 in par value, shall be considered an even exchange for the \$2,500,000 par value of the Old Company's present common stock; and the New Company's preferred stock shall be considered an even exchange for the then outstanding preferred stock of the Old Company.
- (d) The Old Company or its stockholders will, by the transaction last above described, be in control of the New Company to which the assets and business of the Old Company will have been transferred, and the reorganization will be complete except that the Old Company must arrange for distribution to its stockholders, in strict proportion to their holdings of stock in the Old Company, of the securities so received by the Old Company from the New Company.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that in the organization of said New Company and in the reorganization to which both the Old Company and the New Company will be parties, this Board of Directors (and the individual members thereof then serving as directors of the New Company) conform to and comply with the suggestions and directions of Folds, Buck & Co. and The Marshall & Ilsley Bank so far as reasonably possible without prejudice to the interests of either of said Companies, to the end that the First Mortgage Bonds to be issued by the New Company shall be in the form and under the authorization and with the security which has been or will be required by said Folds, Buck & Co. and The Marshall & Ilsley Bank.

Adopted by unanimous vote.

The President called the attention of the directors to the fact that in organizing a new corporation with a name similar to that of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company, it will be necessary to assure the Secretary of State that the Old Company consented to such similar name being used by the New Company. Thereupon the following resolution was offered by Mr. Rowley:

RESOLVED, by the Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company that as a part of the plan of reorganization agreed to at this special meeting of the Board of Directors, this corporation cause the organization of a new corporation, under the laws of Wisconsin, to be called "Hamilton Manufacturing Company"; and that this corporation, The Hamilton Manufacturing Company, consents that the Secretary of State may accept the Articles of Organization of said proposed new corporation, and may grant said proposed new corporation a Certificate of Incorporation under the name of "Hamilton Manufacturing Company"; and that as soon as reasonably possible after completion of said reorganization, this corporation (The Hamilton Manufacturing Company) proceed to dissolve and distribute its remaining assets to its stockholders, as provided by statute.

Adopted by unanimous vote.

It appearing that according to the annual statement of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company, for the year closing December 31, 1925, the surplus of the Company was in excess of \$450,000, which amount would be required for the declaration and distribution of an 18 per cent. dividend on the Company's present outstanding common stock; and since a part of the re-organization plan approved by the directors provided for the declaration and distribution of an 18 per cent. dividend on the common stock, such dividend to be paid in new issues of the Company's preferred stock, at par; it was decided by the Board of Directors to declare such 18 per cent. stock dividend at this present meeting, and for this purpose the following resolution was offered by Mr. Gowran:

WHEREAS, a dividend of 18 per cent. on the par value of the common stock of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company now issued and outstanding would amount to \$450,000; and

WHEREAS, the surplus of the Company, on December 31, 1925, was in excess of \$450,000, and has been increased by earnings during 1926, so that the Company can lawfully distribute said sum in dividends; and

WHEREAS, the Company has preferred stock, authorized but not issued, at a par value in excess of said sum; now therefore

RESOLVED, that there be, and hereby is, declared a dividend of 18 per cent upon the par value of the Company's present outstanding common stock, payable and distributable pro rata to the holders of said common stock, and that said dividend be evidenced by the fine issues of the preferred stock of the Company computed at par (or \$100 per share).

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the officers of the Company be, and they hereby are, directed to prepare, execute and issue certificates of the Company's preferred stock, within thirty days after the date of this . meeting, in such amounts and denominations as will correctly represent the stock dividend distributable to each of the Company's present common stockholders, and that such certificates be distributed accordingly to the parties entitled thereto.

Adopted by unanimous vote.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Rowley:

RESOLVED, by the Board of Directors of The Hamilton Manufacturing Company, that in carrying out the general plan of reorganization which has been approved by the directors at this meeting, the officers of the Company be, and they hereby are, authorized, subject to the consent and approval of the stockholders, to execute all necessary instruments of conveyance for the transfer of the assets of the Old Company to the proposed New Company, and any other contracts, instruments or documents that may properly be called for or demanded in connection with such reorganization.

Adopted by unanimous vote.

There being no further business to come before this special meeting of the Board of Directors, the meeting was on motion adjourned.

Secretary.

Ros Hamilton.

Company Scial

ganizaled

ate

ora-

100x

t would

t. divi-

a part

the the

omnon

eferred

e such

purpose

the outstand-

25, was 1926, ; and

t not issued,

dend of ng common common the

and they f the

esent comon

American Drafting Furniture Co., Inc., Rochester, New York
American Brass & Wood Type Co.,
Economy Drawing Table & Mfg. Co.,
Empire Type Foundry,

Adrian, Michigan
Delevan, New York

and that on the occasion of each purchase a formal contract of such purchase was entered into with said companies and that at the time each of said contracts was entered into the Directors of The Hamilton Mfg. Co. considered the same and approved them, altho without holding a formal meeting for the purpose.

The President thereupon suggested that in order to make a record of the approval of these contracts and all of the purchases made under them, a resolution of approval and ratification be presented to the Directors at this time. The Directors, after examining each of said contracts, directed that they be filed with the Secretary.

Director Gowran then offered the following resolution:

"RESOLVED by the Directors of The Hamilton Mfg. Co. that the action of the Officers of the Company in entering into contracts for the purchase of business or assets of American Drafting Furniture Co., Inc., Rochester, N. Y., American Brass & Wood Type Co., Brooklyn, N. Y., Economy Drawing Table & Mfg. Co., Adrian, Mich., and Empire Type Foundry, Delevan, N. Y., which contracts have been submitted to the Directors of this meeting the and thou are in coch Directors of this meeting, be, and they are in each case, ratified, approved and confirmed."

Adopted.

Director Gowran then offered the following resolution:

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Rowley:

"WHEREAS, The Hamilton Mfg. Co. has heretofore sold some real estate, consisting of residence property; and

"WHEREAS, upon making such sales the company has issued a deed to Lawrence E. Everson and Rose M. Everson, his wife, which was signed and sealed by the officers of the corporation in accordance with the law, but without specific precedent authorization by its Board of Directors; now therefore

"RESOLVED, that the action of the officers of said corporation in executing and delivering said deed be, and the same hereby is ratified, approved and confirmed."

Adopted.

ctors

office

pursuant

9 of

found to

ilton,

of

ng 1925

M

of such

e Hamilton

ut hold-

to make a

irchases

be preexamining

ie Secretary.

ition:

0.

1098

111

11

ution:

The following resolution was presented by H. Rowley:

"RESOLVED, That this Board proceed by ballot to elect officers for the current year or until their successors shall be elected."

Adopted.

Pursuant to said resolution a ballot was taken and the following officers were unanimously elected:

President -- George S. Hamilton Vice President -- H. C. Gowran Secretary -- Thos. W. Suddard

Treasurer -- H. Rowley

Chairman, Board of Directors - J. E. Hamilton

It being necessary to have matters in regard to Income Tax presented to the Treasury Department, Power of Attorney was given to KixMiller & Baar, George Maurice Morris, Frederick L. Pearce, Willis W. Ritter, attorneys at law, Washington, D. C., reading as follows:

"POWER OF ATTORNEY
Treasury Department
Bureau of Internal Revenue

"KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Wisconsin, has constituted and appointed by these presents with full power of substitution and revocation, MixMiller & Baar, George Maurice Morris, Frederick L. Pearce, Willis W. Ritter, attorneys at law, with offices at \$15-15th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., its agents and attorneys to appear for it and represent it before the Treasury Department and Bureau of Internal Revenue in connection with any matter involving federal taxes of the said corporation which may be

pending before the Treasury Department at any time subsequent to the date hereof and prior to the revocation hereof.

"IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this instrument to be executed by its duly authorized officers under its corporate seal, this 10th day of June, 1925.

BY Geo. S. Hamilton President

ATTEST:

Thos. W. Suddard
Secretary

STAMP

State of Wisconsin) SS County of Manitowoc)

"I, A. H. Lohman, a Notary Public in and for the county and state aforesaid, hereby certify that Geo. S. Hamilton and Thos W. Suddard personally known to me as the parties who signed the foregoing power of attorney, appeared before me and acknowledged that they signed the said document in their official capacity as indicated and that they as such officers, with full authority, executed and attested the same voluntarily for and as the act and deed of said corporation. Given under my hand and seal this 10th day of June, 1925.

A.H.Lohman Notary Public*

On motion of Mr. Gowran, the action of the officers in issuing this Power of Attorney was ratified, approved and confirmed. Also a similar Power of Attorney issued for the same purpose to Edward Andrew Wilde, certified public accountant of the firm of J. Lee Nicholson & Co., New York City.

After a discussion of the financial statement in detail, the meeting was adjourned sine die.

Blank Pages

81-151

Skipped

