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## A Finding Aid to the National Farm School Minutes Manuscript Collection No. 444

Meeting of Board, September 29, 1913.

The Executive Board of the National Farm School held its regular monthly meeting in the Board Room of Temple B'nai B'rith, on Monday evening, September 29th, 1913, at 8 o'clock.

In attendance were Messrs. Rabinowitz, Rosenzweig, Rosenzweig, Rabinowitz, Friedlander, Gittel, Hirsch, Kaufman, Klein, Leshem, Mehl, the Director, Dr. Weinberg, the President, Dr. Frankfort, in the chair; and the Executive Secretary, Mr. Frankfort; Messrs. Hirsch, Klein and Leshem, representing the Philadelphia Federation of Jewish Churches. The minutes of the last regular meeting on June 19th, and the special meeting on September 24th, were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was read and ordered filed.

The Finance Committee reported the purchase of ten bonds for the balance of the Endowment Fund.

The Budget Committee submitted Budget '14' (Oct. Nov. Dec. 1913), recommending an appropriation of \$1,077.00, against an estimated income of \$10,000.00 for the same term, \$550 for School Fund (2) against an estimated income of \$500; \$426.28 for the Office. The action of the Committee was approved.

The President reported a recent visit to Farm School, accompanied by Mr. Rosenzweig. They found the superintendence of the farm and grounds excellent, but were displeased with the condition of the Gym Hall, and had instructed the Director and Board to submit suggestions for repairs. The survey suggested painting the walls in Pennsylvania Hall. The condition of the Nursery was very satisfactory, they found. The President announced that Mrs. Josephine H. Leopold had offered her services as Socialist Aid on October 1st. He laid before the Board a generous offer from Mrs. Dr. Henry Berkowitz to donate to the school a dozen coats and a half dozen black coats effective October 1, 1913, of the arrangement whereby the school received a certain proportion of the profits derived by the company from the hauling of anthracite coal for the school's use.

The President, with deep regret, announced the recent death of Mrs. Louis I. Aaron, a good friend of the Institution, to which she and her husband had made liberal donations. He spoke, with pleasure, of the recent address of Bernard Katz, a graduate of the school, in the position of Agricultural Inspector of the Minnesota High School. He also announced that the National Farm School Athletic Association had arranged a schedule of football games with other schools and had opened the season with a smashing victory. He reported arrangements had been completed for the October 19th, with the following programme, to be held at the Farm School on Sunday, October 19th, with the following programme, Messrs. Sanders, New York, Chairman, Speakers, M. H. Berlin, of Washington; Prof. Carl Bailey, of the U. of P.; Messrs. M. H. Berry, Collector of the Port, Philadelphia; and Saml. Chan. H. Frank, of Harrisburg.

The Director made the following requests: That a teacher of biology and general science be added to the faculty; that the permission be given to purchase a power sander and shovels; that the stairway in Dept. Hall be repaired, new wainscoting be put up and the building be fumigated. (File 30)

Mr. Rabinowitz, reporting for the Curriculum Committee, stated that he had visited the School recently and had discussed the academic situation with the Director; that he approved the Director's request for a teacher of biology and general science; that in view of his making a close study of the course of instruction in wage-earning institutions and approved by the National Association of Agricultural Schools, he would not be prepared to make any substantial recommendations for immediate action; while, he recommended printing a limited supply of Circulars of Information, embodying the present three year course.

Mr. Frankfort reported that he had sent out 1000 circulars in English and Yiddish, to the lodges of various Jewish fraternal orders; 500 copies of an appeal to be

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**Biographical Sketch** Founded by Rabbi Joseph Krauskopf in 1896, the National Farm School was designed to train Jewish urban youth to become farmers. The school was used primarily, first, by East European Jewish immigrants then, later, by Nazi-era refugees.

**Scope and Content** Board of trustees minute book, 1896-1921.

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