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HISTORICAL SKETCH: The Canadian Lebanon Society of Halifax was founded as the Canadian Lebanon-Syrian Association by Edward Arab of Halifax in November 1958. At the second meeting of the Society the name was changed to the Canadian Lebanon Society of Halifax. Affiliation with the Lebanon-Syrian Association of Canada and/or the Syrian-Lebanon Federation of Canada was contemplated but was rejected by the membership in order that the Society might remain autonomous. The Society is an affiliated member of the World Lebanese Cultural Union. The Society was incorporated in 1953 (2 Eliz. II cap. 80), the stated objectives being inter alia to support the constitution of Canada and to strengthen the alliance of Lebanese people to its Government; to encourage the fundamental principles of the Arabic tongue to the youth; to foster the education of youth in the culture of the Lebanese; to support charitable institutions and to contribute to the relief of Lebanese in distress.

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1. By-Laws of the Canadian Lebanon Society of Halifax, 1981 (revised).
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3. Minutes of the Canadian Lebanon Society of Halifax, 1986 - 1987; list of members, 1983.

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BY-LAWS

OF

CANADIAN-LEBANON SOCIETY OF HALIFAX

ARTICLE I

MEMBERSHIP IN SOCIETY

Membership in the Lebanese Society shall be Ordinary, Associate and Honorary.

- Sec. 1 Ordinary. A person who is of Lebanese Origin, living permanently in the City or County of Halifax, and is 16 years of age or over, and other individuals connected or related with them being supporters of the objectives of the Canadian Lebanon Society of Halifax, and its ideals. Rights of such members shall include, but not be limited to eligibility to seek if otherwise qualified any office in the structure of the Society. His obligations shall include regular attendance, prompt payment of dues, participation in Society activities and conduct reflecting a favourable image of the Society in the community.
- Sec. 2 Associate. A person who is not of Lebanese descent, being a supporter of the objectives of the Canadian Lebanon Society of Halifax and its ideals. He may attend all Society meetings and shall be entitled to all privileges or Ordinary Membership except the right of vote and of holding office. He shall pay the normal Society dues.
- Sec. 3 Honorary. A person, not a Society member, having performed outstanding or meritorious service for the community or Society at large and upon whom the Society desires to confer special distinction. The Society shall pay the dues of such a member, who may attend meetings but shall not be entitled to any privileges of Ordinary Membership.
- Sec. 4 Application: "Membership in this Society shall be accepted by invitation only. Every nominee for membership shall fill a standard application form and submit it to the secretary who, after investigation, shall submit the same to the Board of Directors. If a majority of the said Board approves the application the prospect may then be invited to become a member of this Society." The proper membership dues must be in the hands of the secretary before a member may be officially accepted in the Society.
- Sec. 5 Reinstatement: Any member dropped from membership may be reinstated after a lapse of not less than three months from date of membership. Such member, however, will come into the Society under the procedure set forth in Sec. 4 of this article.

ARTICLE II

FEES AND DUES

Every member shall pay annually per capita dues as provided in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE III

DURATION OF MEMBERSHIP

- Sec. 1 Period: Membership shall continue during the existence of the Society unless terminated as hereinafter provided:
- Sec. 2 How terminated:
- (a) Non-payment of dues - "any member failing to pay his dues within thirty days after the prescribed time shall be notified in writing by the secretary at his last known address. If the dues are not paid within thirty (30) days of the said notice such membership shall automatically terminate."
- (b) Non-attendance: Any ordinary member who absents himself from three regular and consecutive Society meetings will receive a letter from the Board of Directors, depending on the reply the person shall be subject to termination by a Board decision, unless he is excused by the Board for good and sufficient reason.
- (c) Expulsion: Any member may be expelled from the Society for cause by a two-thirds vote of the entire Board of Directors. In all the above cases the action of the Board shall be final.
- Sec. 3 Resignations: Any member may resign from this Society and said resignation shall become effective upon acceptance thereof by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

- Sec. 1 Officers: The officers of this Society shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, two Secretaries, Arabic and English, and a treasurer, and an advocate, all of whom shall be members of the Board of Directors. The immediate past President shall be as well an officer of this Society.
- Sec. 2 Board of Directors: The governing body of this Society shall be a Board of Directors composed of the officers as stated in Sec. 1, supra. Except for the immediate past President, all officers and Directors shall be elected by the Society members as provided for in this Constitution and By-Laws.
- Sec. 3 No person shall be eligible to hold office as a member of the Board unless he is an Ordinary member in good standing.
- Sec. 4 *The decision of the Board in all Society matters shall be final!
- Sec. 5 No officer shall receive any compensation for any service rendered to this Society in his official capacity, except that the Board may appoint a paid secretary whose compensation shall be fixed by the Board.

ARTICLE V

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Sec. 1 President's qualifications:

- (a) Must be an Ordinary member in good standing of this Society.
- (b) Should possess the ability to assume the leadership of the Society and possess the esteem and confidence of his fellow members.
- (c) Should be prepared to give the time and effort necessary to lead and carry on the work of his Society.
- (d) Should have a working knowledge of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society.

Sec. 2 Duties of President:

- (a) Presides at the meetings of the Society
- (b) Sees that each meeting is carefully planned, opening and adjourning in time, and presides at regular meetings of the Board of Directors.
- (c) Appoints Society committee chairman and members for the jobs assigned and makes sure that each committee has definite objectives and functioning successfully.
- (d) Holds regular Society meetings or functions, at least once every two months, and regular Board of Directors meetings, at least once every month.
- (e) Conducts a quarterly check-up in January, April and October on all committee activities and objectives for the balance of the year.
- (f) Submits a comprehensive report to the Society yearly in May or June of the status of Society finances and on the extent to which the Society has achieved its objectives for the year.
- (g) Arrange a joint meeting of the incoming and outgoing Boards of Directors for the dual purpose of getting the new administration off to a good start and providing continuity of Society administration.

Sec. 3 Immediate Past President:

- (a) Shall advise the President on all such matters as the President may refer to him.
- (b) Shall represent the Society in welcoming all new and present members of the Society when they attend.

Sec. 4 Vice-President:

- (a) If the President is unable to attend or perform the duties of his office for any reason, the Vice-President shall occupy his position and perform his duties with the same authority as the President.
- (b) Vice-President shall, under the direction of the President, oversee the functioning of such committees of this Society as the President shall designate.

Sec. 5 Secretary: They shall be under the supervision and direction of the President and Board of Directors. They shall:

- (a) Keep the records of membership.
- (b) Submit regular monthly and other reports to the Board of Directors.
- (c) Submit, through the President, semi-annual reports on 1st January and 1st July to the Board of Directors, of the membership of this Society.

- (d) Have custody and keep and maintain general records of this Society including records of the minutes of Society and Board meetings; attendance, committee appointments; elections; addresses and telephone numbers of members; and members Society accounts.
- (e) Issue bi-monthly reports of attendance of the Society meeting (or earlier attendance reports if the Society meets at shorter intervals than once every two months).
- (f) Ensure that all dues are met and membership cards issued.

Sec. 6 Treasurer:

- (a) Receive all monies, from Secretary and otherwise, and deposit same in a bank or banks approved by the Board.
- (b) Pay out monies in payment of Society obligations only on authority given by the Board of Directors. All cheques and vouchers shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by another officer determined by the Board.
- (c) Prepare and submit, through the President, financial reports to the Board of Directors at every meeting.
- (d) Upon retirement he shall turn over to his successor, or to the President, all funds, books of accounts or any other Society property in his possession.

- Sec. 7 Advocate: Interprets the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society. His decision will be final whenever a dispute arises at the meeting; further dispute must be referred to the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- Sec. 1 Composition: The Board shall be comprised of Directors, out of whom shall be the officers of this Society, namely the president, two vice-presidents, two secretaries, treasurer, immediate past president, if any, and an advocate.

Sec. 2 Meetings:

- (a) Regular meetings of the Board shall be held monthly at such time and place as the Board may determine.
- (b) Special meetings of the Board shall be held when called by the President or when requested by 5 (five) or more Board members, at such time and place as the president may determine.

- Sec. 3. Quorum: The presence in person of a majority of its members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Board. Except as otherwise specifically provided, the act of the majority of the Directors present at any meeting of the Board shall be the act and decision of the entire Board of Directors.

Sec. 4 Duties and Powers: In addition to such duties and powers set out elsewhere herein, the Board shall:

- (a) ~~Constitute~~ the Executive Board of this Society and shall be responsible for execution, through the Society officers, of the policies approved by the Society.

- * (b) Authorize all expenditures.
- (c) Have an annual audit of its accounts books. Any member of the Society in good standing may inspect the audit or accounting upon request at a reasonable time and place.
- (d) Appoint a bank or banks for the deposit of funds of the Society.

ARTICLE VII

MEETINGS

- Sec. 1 Regular meetings: of this Society shall be held no less than once every two months, at a time and place recommended by the Board of Directors. Notice of regular meetings shall be given at least ten days before the meeting is held, by mail or personal delivery, to each member.
- Sec. 2 Special meetings: of this Society may be called by the President, at his discretion, or when requested by five or more of the Board of Directors. Notice of Special meetings shall be given at least fifteen days prior to the meeting by mail or personal delivery, to each member of the Society. The notice shall set forth the purpose of the meeting.
- Sec. 3 The annual meeting: of this Society shall be held in January of each year at a time and place to be determined by the President. At this meeting the final reports of the officers shall be read. Every year the annual meeting shall be the Election Meeting as well.
- Sec. 4 Quorum: The presence of one-quarter of the membership in good standing shall constitute a quorum. If this number does not turn up, the meeting shall be adjourned for thirty minutes, and those who are present shall be deemed to form a quorum after the lapse of the said thirty minutes.
- Sec. 5 Except otherwise specifically provided, the act of a majority of the members present at any meeting shall be the act and decision of the entire Society, once the notice and quorum rules herein stated are properly observed.
- Sec. 6 Board of Directors Meetings: These are as stipulated for in Article VI, Sec. 2 of this Constitution and By-Laws.

ARTICLE VIII

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

This Society may, for better development of its financial and social levels, and at the discretion of the Society, form a Board of Trustees to be elected by the members at the annual election meetings. Said Trustees to be considered a part of the Board of Directors. The powers and duties of Trustees is to maintain supervision over finances and general activities of the Society. They should do an audit of the books of the Society in July and January and report findings of same at the following general meeting of the Society.

ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENTS OR ADDITIONS

Amendments or additions to the By-Laws may be made only once a year at the annual meeting, submitted by a notice of amendment or addition in writing to the Board of Directors three months prior to this meeting. The Board of Directors will study amendments or additions and place their recommendation on same before the members present at the annual meeting. These amendments or additions must then pass by a vote of no less than two-thirds majority of members present.

ARTICLE X

FEES AND DUES

- Sec. 1 Each member, including reinstated members, excepting student, shall pay a regular annual due of \$30.00 payable immediately on acceptance of his or her membership, as set in Sec. 4 of Article I and shall be deemed to cover dues up to the end of the current year, i.e. December. Dues shall be paid in advance before the election meeting in January.
- Sec. 2 Each student member shall pay a regular annual fee due of \$15.00 on acceptance of membership.
- Sec. 3 Reinstated members: shall pay a \$10.00 fee for being reinstated plus the regular annual dues of \$30.00.
- Sec. 4 Membership cards:
 - (a) The President and Secretary of the Society shall issue, as and when necessary, a signed list of each and every member who has been admitted to membership of the Society, stating the member's full name, address and date of admission and type of membership. The Secretary shall then issue the membership cards and mail them to the Society members duly stamped. No other cards shall be recognized as valid.
 - (b) Validity: Each card shall carry a special stamp showing the current year during which a card is deemed to be valid. All cards shall serve for one year only, unless renewed, starting from 1st January and ending 31st December of the same year. The stamp only shall be changed yearly and not the card itself.

ARTICLE XI

ELECTIONS

The Board of Directors of the Society, excluding the immediate past President, shall be elected as follows:

- Sec. 1 A nomination meeting shall be held in the month of November of each year with the date and place of such meeting to be determined by the Board of Directors and notice thereof mailed to each member of this Society at least ten days prior to the time of the holding thereof. Nominations shall be presented from the floor to a Nomination Committee composed of five members from the Society at

large. No member of the Nomination Committee can be a nominee for the post of Board member. Any number of nominations may be made by the members from the floor.

- Sec. 2 The President shall appoint the said Nomination Committee. The nomination duly made from the floor shall be placed on a ballot in alphabetical order.
- Sec. 3 If in the interim between the nomination meeting and the election meeting the number of nominees shall fall under the required to fill the numbers stipulated herein the Board of Directors, then further nominations shall be taken from the floor at the election meeting.
- Sec. 4 An election meeting shall be held in the month of January immediately subsequent to the Nomination Meeting. The time and place shall be determined by the Board of Directors, and two weeks prior written notice thereof shall be given to each member of the Society by the Secretary, by mail or personal delivery. Such notice shall include the names of all nominees approved at the preceding nomination meeting. No nominations may be made from the floor at the election meeting, except as stipulated in Sec. 3 of this article, supra.
- Sec. 5 The election shall be by secret ballot by those present and qualified to vote, and the candidates securing the highest number of votes shall be declared elected. In case the number of candidates is the same as that required to be voted in for the Board of Directors, then the President shall declare that such candidates be elected by a raise of hands without the need to carry out a secret ballot.
- Sec. 6 At the election meeting, and prior to the elections being carried out, the final reports of the retiring officers shall be read to members.
- Sec. 7 Vacancy: A vacancy in the office of President shall be filled by the first then by the second Vice-President, each filling the said post if the former Vice-President causes a vacancy. In the event of any other office becoming vacant, the Board of Directors shall appoint a member to fill the unexpired term.
- Sec. 8 Any new member is able to vote and be nominated for a post on the Board of Directors only when six months from December have passed on his acceptance as a member in this society, excluding the President's post for which he shall be a member for at least one year.
- Sec. 9 Reinstated member shall be considered and dealt with as a new member as set in Section 8, Article XI, unless the member has been away.
- Sec. 10 Removal: Any member of the Board may be removed for cause by two-thirds of the votes of the entire Board of Directors.

ARTICLE XII

COMMITTEES

- Sec. 1 The following standing committees shall be appointed by the President:
(a) Youth; (b) Attendance; (c) Finance; (d) Membership and Public Relations;
(e) News; (f) Travel and Tourism.

- Sec. 2 The President may appoint with approval of the Board of Directors, such other committees as may be necessary for better development of the ideals and objects of this Society.
- Sec. 3 The President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.
- Sec. 4 All committees shall consist of a chairman and as many members as shall be considered necessary by the President.
- Sec. 5 Each committee, through the Chairman, shall report either verbally or in writing each month to the Board of Directors.
- Sec. 6 Each committee shall transact such business as is delegated to it either by the By-Laws or referred to it by the Board.

ARTICLE XIII

DUTIES OF COMMITTEES

- Sec. 1 Youth Committee: Organizes and sponsors athletics, camps contests, hobbies, youth clubs and organizations, etc... and any other activity that may be of interest to youth of this Society or to potential Society members. In particular, the committee shall seek to implement a youth exchange program with other countries where Societies exist and with Lebanon. The youth exchange program shall be conducted for people between the ages of 15 and 26.
- Sec. 2 Attendance Committee: Shall especially encourage attendance at regular meetings of the Society, promote better incentives for good attendance.
- Sec. 3 Finance Committee: Prepares the Society budget and supervises with the Treasurer prompt collection of dues; assists the Board to formulate plans for raising money to promote activities; assists Secretary and Treasurer make their monthly financial statements and other Society reports, assist in implementation of fund raising programs and insure that budgetary forecasts are met.
- Sec. 4 Membership and Public Relations Committee:
(a) Shall take positive action to initiate and present to the Board the names of suitable persons for Society membership.
(b) Shall devise and carry into effect plans to give the public information publicity for the Society, its objects and ideals.
- Sec. 5 News Committee: Shall arrange for brief round of Society news to be delivered to the editor; secure news items and photographs for the News Editor; stimulate reader interest and encourage the use of News Media, secure international service and other special subscriptions for libraries; touristic institutions, schools, etc....
- Sec. 6 Travel and Tourism Committee: To give the community at large information about Lebanon and the great touristic delights and privileges available; to arrange for group or individual travel; to carry out cinema or other audio-visual activities in schools, clubs, community centers, etc... projecting the up-to-date image of Lebanon as a culture and as a touristic haven; to encourage travel exchange between countries where Lebanese People reside.

CHAPTER XIV

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- 1) Meeting called to Order by President.
- 2) Roll call and reading of communication from absent members.
- 3) Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting.
- 4) Report of the Secretary and the list of members absent two or more consecutive meetings.
- 5) Report of the Treasurer.
- 6) Correspondent and announcements.
- 7) Committee reports.
- 8) Unfinished business (any business held over or pending from previous meeting).
- 9) Any new business.
- 10) Adjournment.

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2. Minutes of the Canadian Lebanon Society of Halifax, 1938 -
1985 (incomplete).

Canadian Lebanon Society

First Organizing Executive:-

Edward F. Arab - President
Peter Loba - 1st Vice President
William Lamine - 2nd Vice President
Richard L. Allen - English Secretary
Sheff. Al. Wolby - Arabic Secretary
Thomas Arab - Sergeant-at-arms.
George Grace - " " "
Dolas Joseph - Treasurer

Wilfred J. Abraham - elected by acclamation to
the post of Financial Director. Jan 15/38.

* Resigned from Society Jan 25/39.

Minutes

FIRST MEETING of CANADIAN LEBANON SYRIAN SOCIETY
NOV. 13, 1938 3.00 p.m.

The meeting was opened by ~~the~~ chairman Mr. Edw. F. Arab who declared previous ~~vote~~ ^{vote} regarding the name of the society unconstitutional. Mr. Arab proposed changing the name to Can. Lebanon Society and outlined his reasons for same.

Mr. Wundrich spoke at length for retaining the name of Can. Lebanon Syrian Assoc.

Mr. Peter Luba spoke briefly in the interests of ^{changing} ~~retaining~~ the name to Can. Lebanon Society.

Mr. A. C. Jones spoke in favor of retaining the name "Lebanon Syrian Assoc."

Discussion followed - It was decided by the chairman to put the matter to vote.

The name "Canadian Lebanon Society" was voted to be the name of the organization.

Mr. Edward Arab outlined the constitution in English and Mr. Peter Luba in Arabic.

The outline of the constitution was motioned to be passed by Mr. Joseph Luba and seconded by Mr. W. C. Abraham.

Motion passed.

Mr. Edward F. Luba was nominated president on motion of Mr. Peter Luba, seconded by Mr. W. C. Abraham - passed.

Mr. Edward Arab was nominated president upon motion of Mr. Peter Luba, seconded by Mr. W. C. Abraham - voted as passed.

Mr. Peter Luba was nominated 1st Vice-president upon motion of W. C. Abraham - seconded and passed.

Mr. William Loring was nominated 2nd Vice President upon motion of Mr. W. Abraham. Seconded and passed.

Mr. Richard Allen was nominated English Secretary upon motion of Mr. Joseph Arab. Seconded and passed.

Mr. Shaf- Al-Mulky was nominated Arabic Secretary upon motion of W. Abraham. Seconded and passed.

Mr. Boles Joseph was nominated Treasurer upon motion of Mr. Peter Loba. Seconded and passed.

Mr. George Isaac was nominated Sergeant-at-Arms upon motion of Mr. Shaf Al-Mulky. Seconded and passed.

Mr. Thomas Arab was nominated Sergeant-at-Arms upon motion of Mr. Joseph Loba. Seconded and passed.

A short time was devoted to the registration of members.

The meeting closed with prayer.

Richard L. Allen
Eng. Secretary

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Second Meeting Minutes Nov. 27/38.
of
The Canadian Lebanon Society

The meeting was opened by Mr. Elw. Arab, Pres. The minutes were read in English by the English Secretary and Latin Arabic by the Arabic Secretary. A motion was made by Mr. Joseph Loba that the minutes be adopted and filed. Motion seconded and passed.

The Pres. then made an expression of sympathy to the members of the family of the late John Abraham.

The first point opened for discussion was that of the selection of committees but owing to the absence of a large group of members owing to the heavy storm the appointment of committees was postponed to a later date.

A motion was made by Mr. Boles Joseph and seconded by Mr. W. Abraham to translate the Constitution into Arabic - motion passed as follows:-

Mr. Peter Loba

Mr. William Loring

and Mr. Shaf Al-Mulky were appointed to translate the Constitution and were given power to select anyone they saw fit to help.

The Constitution was read in English by Mr. William Abraham.

The meeting heard and appreciated a short talk on the benefits of fraternity and co-operation by Mr. Samuel Bowles.

The next point of discussion was that of dues. Many changes were proposed as to the amount of monthly dues, initiation fees, and yearly fees but after much discussion it was motioned by Mr. Peter Loba to have the clause in the Constitution

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regarding the dues stand as it is. Motion recorded
by Mr. W. Soume and voted as passed.

It was moved by Mr. J. A. Sola to have the next
meeting of the Society at the Lord Nelson Hotel
Motion recorded and passed.

Introduction of new members followed.

The final item for the meeting was the
initial collection of dues.

The meeting was adjourned by the President.

Richard L. Allen
Ex. Secretary.

Meeting of the Executive Dec. 30/38.

It was decided at this meeting that a meeting
of the Executive be held one week previous
to each and every General Meeting of the
Society.

R. L. Allen, Ex. Sec.

Can. Lebanon Society
3rd Meeting of Lord Nelson Hotel
Dec. 11/38.

The meeting was opened by the Pres. Mr. C. Ouch.
The minutes of the last meeting were
read by the Secretaries and a motion was
made & recorded that the minutes be adopted
and filed. Motion passed.

A proposal was made that this Society take
steps toward possible affiliation with the
group known as the Lebanon Syrian Assn.
The matter was opened for discussion.

After hearing various speeches it was finally
moved by Mr. Thomas Croft and seconded by
Mr. W. Abraham to have the Executive
of the Society contact the Executive of the
Leb. Sy. Assn. with the view of affiliation.
The Executive were to have the power to grant
certain concessions but were to retain the
name Can. Lebanon Society and the Constitu-
tion of the same. Motion voted on & passed.

A small collection was taken to pay for the
meeting room.

It was moved by Mr. Peter Sola and seconded
by Mr. Peter Simon to have all dues paid the
first week of the month. Motion voted as
passed.

Mr. Bolas Joseph presented a brief
financial statement.

The pledge of the Society was taken by the
majority of the members present.

Membership cards were issued and signed.
The meeting was closed with prayer.

R. L. Allen
Ex. Sec.

Feb 5/39

Lord Nelson Hotel

Feb 5/39

3 o'clock P.M.

by W. F. Abraham
Acting Secretary

The meeting was opened with prayer with Mr. E. A. Cook presiding. Minutes of previous meeting was read by W. F. Abraham, acting Sec. & J. A. Woolley, and adopted. The pres. expressed regrets that due to illness, several members of the Executive were unable to attend the meeting. Due to the absence of the Treas., no financial report was given. A letter of resignation from Mr. George Isaac was read and accepted. Mr. Cook, pres. told of receiving a personal letter from Mr. Simon Khetlar of Sydney asking Mr. Cook to use his influence towards making this Soc. a member of the Syrian-Sabon Fed. It was decided that for the present this Society would not consider affiliation with any Federation. Reply to this letter was made by Mr. Cook personally. The pres. told of the plans for the party to be held there Feb. 9 and commended Mr. Dan. Abraham for his efforts in making arrangements for refreshments. The question of personal invitations to members of the Canby-Sabon Assoc. was then discussed. After hearing several opinions it was decided to issue no invitations. Personal invitations would be made by the Society members. After some discussion it was agreed that admittance be 25¢ per person. No vote taken. Mr. Chas. Cain, a guest from Jarrmouth was introduced and spoke a few words. Next followed introduction of new members, Mr. Geo. Solone & Mr. John Joseph. Both gave a short talk. A letter from the Turk. High Commissioner was received by W. F. Abraham was read and approved. Collection of dues followed. The meeting was closed by the pres. Mr. Cook.

R. Allen (conty).

March 5th 99

Lord Nelson Hotel at 3 p.m.

The meeting was opened with prayer, Mr. Wm. Thorne leading. The minutes were read by the Secretary opened. A financial report was presented by the Treas. Mr. B. Tople. Mr. Dan Abraham & Mr. Joe Loba were commended for their work and donation of services towards the success of the dance at St. Joseph's Hall. Question of a hall was again brought up. Mr. Peter Loba was appointed to seek information regarding the hiring of the Old Veto Hall on Spring Garden Road. A motion was made by Mr. A. Haddad & Mr. J. A. Mollay, seconded by Mr. A. Haddad to the effect that a final date should be set for admittance to the Society. Motion carried. Mr. Abraham brought up a question of pins to be worn on the coat lapel. It was decided to postpone discussion until a future date. Mr. R. A. Deal & Mr. Joe Ault both spoke in favor of sending mess each instead of flowers to deceased persons. A special committee was appointed to visit sick members consisting of W. Abraham, Paul Abraham, Peter Loba, Wm. Thorne and Sam. A. Mollay. New member Mr. W. Mansour was introduced and spoke a few words. Collection of dues followed. The meeting was closed with prayer.

R. L. Allen, Secy

April 9/39

May 7 / 40 39

Lord Nelson Hotel at 3 pm.

The meeting was opened with Ebn. F. Arch, presiding. Prayers were said with Mr. Horne leading. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Second Secretaries and adopted. A brief Financial Statement was presented by the Treasurer, which showed an amt of \$48.50 in the Treasury.

Discussion was opened concerning a card & dance party, but owing to the death of a close relative of a member of the Society, discussion was postponed to a further date. The Society was informed that a new card had been sent for the use of the card of the late Harold J. Clarke.

It was decided to hold an outing on the 24th of the month and details were to be arranged by the Executive.

The president spoke of establishing a Board of Arbitration. Discussion followed but before any vote could be taken, the secretary gave notice that 15 days notice must be given before any change in the constitution could be made. A proposal was made by Mr. Wm. Horne that a ~~committee~~ committee should be formed to make a formal call on the Archbishop of Halifax to pay out respects upon his return from Rome. But it was decided to wait until Anthony Arch with his brother in Mt. Lebanon and have him send some shoots of cedar trees, one to send to the Archbishop, and one to be planted in the Pub. Garden, Halifax. Collection of dues followed - amount \$17.

The meeting closed with prayer - Mr. Horne leading.

R. Allen. - secy.

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June 18/39

Lat. Union Hotel at 3 o'clock.

The meeting was opened by the Pres. Mr. Arch.

Followed by prayers with Mr. Torine leading.

The minutes were read by the secretary and passed.

Mr. Tarph. Trimmer presented a financial statement which showed a balance of \$7.00. The first topic of the meeting was that of an outing for Society members & their families & friends. During the discussion

Mr. Peter Loba received a phone call from Mr.

Sam Nichols of Farmouth inviting the

Society to a joint picnic at Annapolis. It was

decided that the Executive would consider it. There

was motioned by W. Manson & seconded by P. Abraham

to authorize Mr. W. Abraham, Dir. of Fin. Torine

to sell tickets for sale at 10¢ the profit to be

go into the Society Treasury. Motion moved by Mr.

Thomas Arch & seconded by Mr. Thomas Arch to

continue meetings during the summer months.

Motion passed. Collection of dues followed - \$11.50

\$2.50 was taken out to pay for hotel room rental.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Mr. Torine leading.

R. Allen, Secy

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July 20/39

Sept 26/1898
Lord Nelson Hotel - 2.30 P.M.

The meeting was opened with Mr. Edw. F. Arch presiding. Mr. Lamine had in prayers. Mr. Arch and Mr. Lamine both spoke a few words about the character and qualities of the late Paul Loba. A response was made by Mr. Peter Loba, uncle of the late deceased. A new constitution and set of by-laws were read by the Sec. and accepted - one point only, that of ~~new~~ votes for new members was dispensed. Mr. Jos Loba made a motion that only members who are not more than 3 months in arrears of dues can ballot for officers. That was passed. Motion was made that the next meeting would be the annual meeting and arrangements were to be made for the same.

R Allen Secy.

Sept 26/1898
Nov 5/1898
Annual Meeting - Lord Nelson Hotel - 3 P.M.

The meeting was opened with Mr. F. Arch presiding. Prayers were said with ^{Peter Loba} ~~Mr. Lamine~~ leading. Following was the registration of attendance. Minutes of the last monthly meeting were read and adopted. The Annual Financial Report was presented by B. Joseph - Treas. This Report was accepted upon motion of ~~Mr. Jos Loba~~ ^{Mr. John M. Molloy} & sec by Mr. L. Hoffe.

The Annual Exp. Secretary report was read by the Sec. R. Allen and accepted upon motion of Paul Abraham & sec by Jos Arch. The Treas. presented a report of the Financial status which showed the finances to be in good order. Report passed. Following were the opening remarks of the person who chaired the Soc. for the confidence and co-operation showed him by all members during the first and difficult year of the Soc. Mr. Arch further expressed his hopes that the Soc. would continue to grow in membership & strength. He concluded with the statement that the Soc. could always depend on him when called upon. The 1st Vice pres Mr. P. Loba & the 2nd Vice pres Mr. Lamine both spoke a few words commending Mr. Arch for his valuable work in the organization and propagation of the Soc. The pres. Mr. Arch then declared the fiscal year of the Soc. to be at an end and called for an immediate election of officers. Following are the results of the Nov. 5 Ballots for Executive Officers for the Year 1898.

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| Pres. | Nomination By | nominee | motion 2 nd by |
| 1st Vice pres | R. A. Arch | Peter Loba | Thos. Arch |
| 2nd " " | W. M. Lamine | W. M. Lamine | W. Abraham |
| | Thos. Arch | A. H. Adlard | W. Lamine |
| | James Arch | John M. Molloy | J. Arch |
| | Jos. Arch | F. Abraham | R. A. Arch |
| | F. Arch | W. Lamine | L. Hoffe |

Electd. R. Adlard

Nov. 12th

Nominations

motion 2nd Reg

Treasurer

J. Al. Molloy
J. Arab
ElectedB. Joseph
W. Mansour
B. JosephJ. Arab
H. "

Exp. Sec.

W. Soume
J. Arab
B. Joseph
ElectedR. Albin
Arth. Arab
P. Abraham
R. AlbinTm. Arab Jr.
T. Arab
R. Albin

Archie Sec.

C. Joseph
Elected

S. Al. Molloy

R. A. Arab

Dir of Fin

J. Arab
J. Arab
J. Al. Molloy
R. Albin
ElectedF. Abraham
W. Abraham
D. Al. Molloy
W. MansourT. Arab
C. Arab
B. Joseph
W. Abraham

Elected W. Mansour

Sergeant at Arms

C. Joseph
J. Arab
J. Arab
R. Albin
W. Soume
W. Abraham
ElectedF. Abraham
P. "
T. Arab Jr.
W. Abraham
Thom Arab
Arth. Arab
F. Abraham
Thom. M. ArabJohn Al. Molloy
W. Soume
C. Arab
S. Al. Molloy
W. Abraham
John Arab

New slate of Officers: - Pres. - P. Luba

1st V. - W. Soume2nd V. - A. Haddad

Sec. - R. Albin

Arth. - S. Al. Molloy

Treas. - B. Joseph

Dir of Fin - W. Mansour

Sergeant at Arms - F. Abraham - Thom Arab

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1939-1940

Can' Lebanon Society of Halifax - Dec. 3rd /39.
Lord Nelson Hotel.
3.00 P.M. Peter Luba - Pres.

The meeting was opened with Mr. Peter Luba presiding. Prayers were said with Mr. Soume leading. Two new members - Norman W. Mansour and George Brown were introduced. A third new member, Mike Kicholoy, was sponsored by Shaf Al. Molloy. The minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary and passed. Registration of members followed. Mr. Luba then outlined his prospective program for the year and expressed his wishes for a successful year with the full cooperation of all the members of the Society. Discussion followed concerning a dance or smoken. It was moved by Mr. Edward Arab and seconded by Mr. W. Abraham to have the Executive look after this affair and follow whatever plan they saw fit. The drawing for the Christmas Square was to take place at this affair. The Pres. told about placing the Society funds in the Bank of Nova Scotia. All information concerning the finances can be obtained from Mr. W. Mansour, Dir. of Finance. There was some discussion as to how to increase the attendance at the general meetings but no definite plan for the present was accepted. The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

Richard L. Albin, Secy.

November
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Meeting of the Pan-Libero Society of Halifax

Dec. 31, 39 Peter Loba - President
Jan.

~~The meeting was opened with prayer with Mr. Loba leading.~~

The meeting was opened with Mr. Peter Loba presiding. Prayers were said with Mr. Loba leading.

The president then asked Mr. A. Haddad to accept the office of 2nd Vice-president to which office he was elected in his absence. Mr. Haddad accepted the office and thanked the Society. A motion was made by Mr. J. Loba and seconded by Mr. Loba that Mr. F. Anthony Butler be accepted as a member. Motion passed and Mr. Butler was issued a membership card. The minutes were read by the Secretaries and passed. Following there was some discussion as to how the expenses of the smoker party ^{were} to be paid. A motion made by R. D. Allen & seconded by E. F. Webb that all those present at the party were to be assessed 75¢ and those who did not attend would make voluntary contributions, the balance to be taken from the treasury. Motion passed. The drawing for the Anniversary Squeeze was conducted at this meeting. The winner being Mr. Fred Smith Ferguson's Cove, Halifax Co.

Discussion followed concerning a dance to be held. A motion was made by Mr. E. F. Webb & seconded by Mr. W. Abraham that a committee consisting of Mr. W. Mansour, Mr. George Brown & Mr.

Joseph Loba be appointed to take care of the dance. The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

R. D. Allen

March 31/40

Ford Nelson Hotel Rm. 2+3 - 2.30pm

The meeting was opened with Mr. P. Loh presiding and Mr. Wm. Hoising leading in prayer. The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted. Discussion followed concerning whether the dance scheduled to take place on March 28, should be postponed owing to the death of Mr. John Loh. A motion was made by Elmer F. Aest & seconded by Wilfred Marnum that the dance take place as scheduled. Motion carried. Three visitors from the U. States were introduced: Jacob Joseph Jacob, Louis Raymond, Anthony Loh each who spoke a few words and wished the Soc. every success. Fathers Michael and Anthony Loh were also presented and each gave a short talk and thanked the Society and requested the prayers of the Soc. members for the soul of their late father. They were responded to by various members of the Society.

Following Mr. W. Marnum, Sec. of Fin. requested that raffle returns be returned to him on or before March 26.

Discussion followed concerning revision of the constitution but was postponed to a later meeting. The meeting was adjourned with prayers.

R. Albers, secy.

April 7/40

Lord Nelson Hotel - 2.30 P.M.

The meeting opened with Mr. Peter Lobe and Mr. Loane leading in prayer. The minutes were read by the Secretaries and adopted. A new member Mr. Mike Kichler was introduced and issued a membership card. Following, Mr. Anthony S. Arab spoke a few words concerning the payment of dues and stated that members should be entitled to a receipt upon payment of dues. Mr. V. M. Merson, Sec. of Fin. stated that receipt cards were now being prepared and would soon be issued. Discussion followed concerning those who were backward in payment of dues. It was decided to have members of the Executive speak personally to these members. The next topic was that of the coming dance. A motion was made by John M. Molloy & sec. by F. Abraham to have the dance and to appoint a committee to look after this affair. Motion carried. The following men were appointed to the committee: Mr. Edw. Arab, Mr. W. Kilanovon - Mr. S. Brown, Mr. J. Lobe.

Next followed discussion about having the meeting start 2.30 sharp. The members were urged to be punctual when attending meetings. The meeting was adjourned with prayer.

R. Allen, secy.

May 12/40

Lord Nelson Hotel - 2.30 P.M.

The meeting was opened by the pres. Mr. Peter Lobe. Prayers were said with Mr. Loane leading. The minutes were read by the Secretaries and adopted. There followed discussion regarding a suitable night for a dance on May 23rd at the Jubilee Boat House. Price on the hall, was \$10.00 and music was \$21.00. The pres. urged members to attend, bring their friends and do their utmost to make the dance a success. Motion in regards to back payment of dues was referred to the next meeting. It was moved by Mr. J. Lobe and sec. by Mr. Loane that suitable time and place be discussed by the Executive in regard to meetings for the summer months. There was also a discussion by the members and the Executive regarding the future of the Soc. in its National aspect. A hall for the Soc. was also a topic of conversation. The pres. promised he would accept responsibility in the matter of finding suitable club rooms. A letter of resignation was received from Mr. Thomas M. Arab and read. Edw. F. Arab recommended that the letter be filed forthwith and not accepted. The pres. distributed seeds of the Cedar tree to the members and ended the meeting with prayer.

R. Allen - secy.

June 12
~~First Western Baptist~~ - Pms 2 & 3 at 2.30
 Office of Eln. F. Best

The meeting was opened with Mr. Peter John, Presiding.
 Prayers were said with Mr. Wm. Loaine leading.
 Following the minutes of the previous meeting were read
 by the Secretaries and passed. A report on the
 finances read by the Treas. of Finance and showed
 a deficit of \$7.75.

Following there was some discussion about
 those who were not paying their dues. Eln. F. Best
 motioned, sec. by Mr. Wm. Loaine authorizing
 the Executive to send notices to those in arrears
 giving them a certain period of time to pay
 back dues, otherwise losing their membership.
 Motion passed.

The presiding president spoke a few words
 concerning a bell but this topic was postponed to
 another meeting, preferably the fall months.
 There was some talk of buying a war bond
 but this was postponed to another meeting.

Mr. Loaine closed with prayers

R. L. Allen

September 8/40
 Lord Nelson Hotel Rm 2+3 at 2:30 PM.

The meeting was opened with Mr. Peter Joha Presiding.
 Prayers were said with Mr. Josine leading.
 Following was a discussion about dues. It was
 moved by J. Saba & sec. by Charles Joseph that those
 members who were 3 mos. or more in arrears be
 suspended temporary and if at the end of the fiscal
 year their dues are still unpaid they would lose
 their membership. There was some discussion about
 donating some money to some worthy war cause.
 It was moved by A. Hallad & sec. by C. Joseph
 to donate \$100. to the Red Cross. Mr. A. Hallad
 further motioned that the Secretary be authorized
 to issue a check of \$100. to the Red Cross to aid
 in their national campaign. A committee was
 appointed from the Executive was formed to handle
 this affair. Mr. Jos. Saba was appointed Sec. of
 this for the day owing to the absence of W. T. Mansome.
 The meeting was adjourned with Prayer.

R. A. Ben Secy

Oct. 13 at 2.30 p.m.
 Lord Nelson Hotel - Rm 243.

The meeting was opened with Mr. Peter Loh presiding. Prayers were said with Mr. Wm. Lohine leading. The minutes were read by the Secy and passed. A letter of resignation from W. J. Mansour was read and accepted. A letter from Mr. Joseph and Mr. Anthony Crest acknowledging the visit of a committee from the Society, and who had expressed their sympathy in the loss of their late father who passed away in the Old Country, on behalf of the Society. A motion was made by Mr. Charles Joseph & seconded by Polas Joseph to appoint Mr. Joe Loh as Treas. for the balance of the fiscal year. Motion passed. Following there was some talk about good membership. Various members airing their views. Mr. Peter Loh, pres. gave notice that at the next meeting he would make a motion to change the yearly dues from \$5 to \$6 a year or 50¢ per month.

The meeting closed with prayer.

R. L. Allen Secy.

Meeting of the Canadian Lebanon Society

October 24, 1940
 Lord Nelson Hotel

2.30 P.M.

Nov. 24, 1940

The meeting was opened with Mr. Peter Saba presiding. Prayers were said with Mr. Haddad leading. The minutes of the past meetings were read by the secretaries and passed. A brief financial report was read by the Treasurer and showed a balance of \$190.13. A letter of thanks from the Red Cross Society was read acknowledging the donation of \$100.00 from this Society. It was agreed that no annual report need be read.

Registration of attendance followed and showed an attendance of 20 members. Upon request of the President ~~an~~ minutes silence and a short prayer were observed in respect to the late Mrs. Annie Arab. A letter of resignation from Mr. Mm. Gossine was read but not accepted. A motion was made by Mr. Wilfred Abraham to have a complete reorganization of our people in this Society. Charles Joseph seconded the motion. After discussion a vote was taken and the motion defeated. Election of officers for the new year followed. Mr. Louis Spire made a motion to have the same Executive carry on for another year. The motion was seconded by Mr. Wilfred Abraham.

This was carried out except for 2 or 3 of the Executive who did not wish to act as officers for the coming year.

The new Executive is as follows.

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|----------------|----------------------------------|
| Mr. R. Laha | - President |
| Mr. A. Haddad | - 1 st Vice President |
| Mr. J. Sfire | - 2 nd Vice President |
| Mr. J. Saad | - Secretary |
| Mr. B. Joseph | - Treasurer |
| Mr. J. Laha | - Director of Finances |
| Mr. M. Losine | - Sergeant-at-arms |
| Mr. F. Abraham | - Sergeant-at-arms |

The meeting was closed with prayer.

(Before the meeting closed.)

A motion made by Anthony Arab and seconded by Joseph Arab that dues be paid at the rate of 50¢ per month or \$6.00 a year. This motion was passed.

A motion was made by R. A. Arab and seconded by Joseph Laha that a general meeting may be held with no less than ten members at hand. This motion was passed.

Meeting of the Canadian Lebanon Society

Lord Nelson Hotel

Dec. 8, 1940 at 2.30 P.M.

The meeting was opened with Mr. Peter Laha presiding. Prayers were said with Mr. Haddad leading. The minutes of the past meeting were read by the Secretary and passed. There was some discussion on the subject of a new meeting place. This subject will again be brought up at the next meeting. The meeting was closed with prayer.