

MINUTES of the Two hundred and fifty-fifth meeting of the Committee of The Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Society Limited, held at the Secretary's residence, Main Road, Ringwood, on Tuesday January 4th, 1944 at 4-45 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. H. Pump in the Chair, and Messrs H. F. Pearson and F. S. Dunn, the Secretary was also in attendance

APOLOGIES: Apology for absence was received from Mr. J. W. Barrett on account of illness, and Mr. J. K. Wedge

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed
Correspondence was read and received.

Calcium Chloride: Advice was received from the Directorate of Materials Supply that a quantity of Calcium Chloride not exceeding $4\frac{1}{2}$ tons would be released to the Society over the ensuing twelve months. The Secretary advised having lodged the necessary application for the release, a further reply was received from the Directorate of Materials Supply advising that the necessary authority had been granted to the I.C.I. Ltd. to release to the Society 7 x 600 lb. drums of Calcium Chloride to cover the ensuing three months, the order had been placed with the I.C.I. Ltd who anticipated being able to deliver before the end of January.

CIRCULATING FAN FOR D.E.CHAMBER: The Secretary reported that to improve the efficiency of the Direct Expansion Chambers, a portable Fan and Motor had been ordered from R. Werner Pty Ltd., and arrangements made for the necessary alteration to the electric wiring

Resolved that action be and is hereby confirmed.

TRANSFER OF SHARES: Resolved that the following transfers of shares be and is hereby approved:-

C. H. Martell	to	A. Crouch	400 shares
F. L. Martell	"	A. H. Crouch	188 "
H. Thatcher	"	F. W. Ward	400 "
C. Thatcher	"	D. W. Ward	356 "
A. J. Wooley	"	L. Dickson	180 "
A. McCallum	"	D. C. Aird	55 "
J. McCallum	"	D. C. Aird	65 "
J. McCallum	"	S. A. Hubbard	180 "
J. McCallum	"	R. J. Hubbard	120 "
E. J. Knee	"	M. Dickson	120 "

SEAL SCRIP: The necessary resolution having been passed for the sealing of Scrip Certificates Nos. 518 to 526 inclusive, the documents was duly signed and the Seal affixed thereto in the presence of Messrs H. Pump and H. F. Pearson, together with the Secretary.

SPACE-RENT
1944:

Resolved that in accordance with the Rules of the Society a Rent Rate of One shilling and fourpence (1/4d) per case space be struck for the year ending 31st December 1944. Payable sixpence per case-space on or before 1st February 1944 sixpence per case-space on or before 1st June 1944, and the balance viz:- fourpence per case-space on or before 1st September 1944

BY-LAWS:

Resolved that the Secretary circularise Shareholders drawing attention to the Society's By-laws, and requesting the Shareholders co-operation in their observance in the interests of the Society

ACCOUNTS
FOR
PAYMENT:

Resolved that six payments General Account totaling £ 396. 6. 0 be ratified

Resolved that one payment Trust Account totaling £ 13. 17. 2 be ratified

FINANCE:

Bank Pass Book Trust Account	Bal.	NIL
Bank Bass Book Genrl Account	Dr. Bal.	£ 513. 6. 10
plus unrepresented cheque	£	9. 0

Confirmed this 8th day of February 1944

H. Pange
Chairman

MINUTES of the Two hundred and fifty-sixth meeting of the Committee of The Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Society Limited, held at the Secretary's residence, Main Road, Ringwood, on Tuesday February 8th, 1944 at 4-45 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. H. Pump in the Chair, and Messrs H.F. Pearson and F.S. Dunn, the Secretary was also in attendance.

APOLOGIES: Apology for absence was received from Mr. J.W. Barrett on account of illness, and Mr. J.K. Wedge.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence was read and received.

CALCIUM
CHLORIDE: Correspondence was received from the Industrial Chemical Industries of Aust: & N.Z., that supplies of Calcium Chloride in limited quantities was now available. The Secretary reported that an order had been placed for delivery as early as possible.

Resolved that the Secretary's action be and is hereby approved

PRICES
COMMISSION: A request was received from the Victorian Deputy Prices Commissioner for a statement supported by Statutory Declaration of the rates received for cool storage at 31st August 1939 15th April 1942, 12th April 1943, and 3rd February 1944. The Secretary advised that the matter had been attended to.

Resolved that action be and is hereby confirmed.

L.M. SPENCER: A letter was received from Mr. L. M. Spencer, re the ripening of Pears in the Chambers during the 1943 season.

Resolved that Mr. L. M. Spencer be advised that the position had been investigated by the Committee and an effort was being made to obviate the difficulty during the coming season, by a re-arrangement of the method of stacking in the Chambers.

SHARE
TRANSFER
DUTY: The Secretary reported that he had submitted Share Transfers from F. C. Pyke and others to the Collector of Imposts for a ruling on the duty payable under the Stamps Act on ~~Share~~ Transfers of the Society's shares.

The ruling of the Collector of Imposts was that all shares in the Society transferred under their paid up value viz:- 2/- per share must be submitted to the Comptroller of Stamps for assessment of stamp duty which would be at the gift rates, also all transfers under the paid up value viz:- 2/- per share would require the amount of duty paid to be embossed thereon

WAGES
BOARD:

The Orchardists And Fruit Cool Stores Association advised that the Determination of the Factory Engine Drivers Board provided for a reduction of 1/- in the wages of the Engineers commencing on the first pay day in February.

Resolved that no reduction be made in the present wages paid to the Engineers.

TRANSFERS
OF SHARES:

Resolved that the following transfers of shares be and is hereby approved:-

F.C. Pyke	to	G.P. Day	390	shares
O.A. Pyke	"	L.S. Grant	380	"
Emma Pyke	"	E.I. Wedge	386	"
J.N. Pyke	"	D. Storey	380	"
E.C. Godfrey	"	J.K. Wedge	50	"
E.C. Godfrey	"	Chas Wedge	50	"
E.C. Godfrey	"	E.F. Horn	300	"
J.E. Pyke	"	A.D. Couper	390	"
S. Pyke	"	H.E. Tainton	396	"
J.G. Pyke	"	R.F. Tainton	390	"
W.T. Pyke	"	H.E. Tainton	3900	"
A.L. Abbott	"	L.J. Bullen	400	"
E.M. Abbott	"	W.J. Sell	400	"
R.L. Abbott	"	S.L. Bullen	55	"
R.L. Abbott	"	I.F. Sell	55	"
R.L. Abbott	"	L.M. Spencer	150	"
W.E. Pyke	"	L.M. Spencer	76	"
W.E. Pyke	"	H.N. Spencer	314	"

4,952 shares

SEAL SCRIP:

The necessary resolution having been passed for the sealing of Scrip Certificates Nos. 527 to 543 inclusive, the documents was duly signed and the Seal affixed thereto in the presence of Messrs H. Pump and F.S. Dunn together with the Secretary.

ANNUAL
MEETING:

Resolved that the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders be held in the Ringwood Town Hall on Tuesday, March 7th 1944 at 8 p.m.

NOMINATIONS
FOR
COMMITTEE:

All the retiring Members of the Committee viz:- Messrs J.W. Barrett, F.S. Dunn, H.F. Pearson, H. Pump and J.K. Wedge nominated to serve on the Committee for the ensuing term.

Resolved that nominations be and is hereby accepted.

BY-LAWS:

Resolved that the By-laws be amended at next meeting

ACCOUNTS
FOR
PAYMENT:

Resolved that seven payments General Account totaling
£ 110: 8: 7 be ratified

Resolved that four Accounts General Account totaling
£ 197.: 19: 10 be passed for payment

Resolved that one Payment Trust Account totaling
£ 3: 1: 9 be ratified

FINANCE:

Bank Pass Book Genrl Account Dr. Bal. £ 150. 0. 8
Bank Pass Book Trust Account Cr. Bal. £ 2. 11. 3

Confirmed this 7th day of March 1944

H. Pump

Chairman.

MINUTES of the Two hundred and fifty-seventh meeting of the Committee of The Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Society Limited, held at the Secretary's residence, Main Road, Ringwood, on Tuesday March 7th 1944 at 7 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. H. Pump in the Chair, and Messrs H. F. Pearson, F.S. Dunn and J.K. Wedge, the Secretary was also in attendance

APOLOGIES: Apology for absence was received from Mr. J. W. Barrett on account of illness.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed
Correspondence was read and received.

PRICES COMMISSION: The Deputy Prices Commissioner asked that the particulars requested in his letter of the 4th February last be forwarded as they had not been received. The Secretary reported that the particulars had been forwarded together with a statutory declaration, and apparently had somehow gone astray. A duplicate of the information supplied supported by a statutory declaration had been forwarded on the 24th February.

Resolved that the Secretary's action be and is hereby confirmed.

S. SEYMOUR: A request was received from S. Seymour to let his space for the season or if possible to sell his shares on account of illhealth. The Secretary reported that he had asked S. Seymour to send in his Scrip Certificates with the Transfer signed on receipt of which an endeavour would be made to find a purchaser.

Resolved that action be and is hereby confirmed.

SANG GOON & CO: A letter was received from Mr. F. J. Sang advising that Mr. S.H. French had lost his Scrip for 546 shares in the Society and asking that they be transferred

S. H. French	to Fong Joe Sang	390 shares
E. French	to Fong Cheow	156 "

The Secretary reported that he had advised Sang Goon & Co: that it would be necessary for Mr. S.H. French to make application for a fresh Certificate to be issued, supported by a Statutory Declaration and Letter of Indemnity, together with the necessary signed transfer Before the transfer could be approved

Resolved that action be and is hereby confirmed

SANITARY
CONVENIENCES:

The Secretary reported that there would be a number of female packers employed at the Store this season, and as there was only one sanitary convenience provided it could not be used for both sexes, therefore, it would be necessary further conveniences.

Resolved that it be left in the hands of the Secretary and Engineer to arrange for the erection additional necessary sanitary conveniences/

BY-LAWS:

Resolved that By-law No. 6 be altered to read:

"No fruit to be placed in the Cool Chambers before 7.30 a.m. or after 2 p.m. on Mondays to Fridays inclusive, and 7.30 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturdays. Fruit may be withdrawn on Monday to Friday until 4 p.m. and 11 a.m. on Saturday."

Resolved that By-law No. 9 be altered to read:

"In chambers 1 to 3 inclusive, fruit must be stacked in accordance with instructions from the Engineer in Charge. In chambers 4 to 6 inclusive, all stacks to have at least six inches clear air-space between top of cases and ceiling. In chambers 7 to 12 inclusive, all stacks to have at least three inches clear air-space between top of cases and ceiling."

TRANSFERS
OF SHARES:

Resolved that the following transfers of shares be and is hereby approved:-

W.C. Parbury	to	J. Vergers	400 shares
Parbury Henty & Co:	"	M. R. Sleeth	390 "
H.W. Parbury	"	F. B. Sleeth	156 "
H.W. Parbury	"	E. Vergers	55 "
H.W. Parbury	"	Stuart Parfitt)	
		D. A. Parfitt)	182 "
W. Maloney	"	C. Jackson	400 "
A. Maloney	"	J. R. Jackson	188 "

1,771 shares

SEAL SCRIP:

The necessary resolution having been passed for the sealing of Scrip Certificated Nos. 544 and Nos. 546 to 551 inclusive, the documents were duly signed and the Seal affixed thereto in the presence of Messrs. H. F. Pearson and F. S. Dunn together with the Secretary.

ACCOUNTS
FOR
PAYMENT:

Resolved that thirteen payments General Account totaling £ 266. 16. 1 be ratified

Resolved that two payments Trust Account totaling £ 217. 5. 8 be ratified.

FINANCE:

Bank Pass Book Trust Account Cr. Bal. £ 6. 2. 11
Bank Pass Book Genrl Account Cr. Bal. £ 38. 10. 5
plus unentered credit £ 140. 14. 0

Confirmed this 9th day of May 1944

Chairman H. F. Pearson

MINUTES of the Two hundred and fifty-eighth meeting of the Committee of The Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Society Limited, held at the Secretary's residence, Main Road, Ringwood, on Tuesday May 9th 1944 at 4-45 p.m.

PRESENT: Messrs H. Pump, H.F. Pearson and J.K. Wedge, the Secretary was also in attendance.

APOLOGIES: Apology for absence was received from Mr. J.W. Barrett on account of illness and Mr. F.S. Dunn

CHAIRMAN: Resolved that Mr H. Pump be appointed Chairman for the ensuing term

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed
Correspondence was read and received.

Advice was received from The Orchardists & Fruit Cool Stores Association that the Annual Conference would be held on the 25th May next in the Board Room, Commercial Travellers Club Flinders Street, Melbourne.

TRANSFERS OF SHARES: Resolved that the following transfers of shares be and is hereby approved:-

F. Clota	to	G.F. Dunn	390 shares
J. Sans	"	E.M. Dunn	113 "
A. Clota	"	A.G. Dunn	316 "
S.F. Blood	"	R.W. Newton	390 "
A.E. Blood	"	A.C. Newton	65 "
R.J. Mackinlay	"	E.A. Sampson	400 "
H.R. Mackinlay	"	S.I. I'Anson	400 "
W. Mackinlay	"	E.E. Owen	208 "
W. Mackinlay	"	J.M. Flentji	192 "
A.J. Mackinlay	"	A.M. Flentji	400 "
E.B. Mackinlay	"	N.T. Flentji	400 "
E.R. White	"	F. Flentji	352 "

3,626 shares

SEAL SCRIP: The necessary resolution having been passed for the sealing of Scrip Certificates Nos. 552 to 563 inclusive, the documents were duly signed and the Seal affixed thereto in the presence of Messrs H. Pump and J.K. Wedge together with the Secretary.

ACCOUNTS
FOR
PAYMENT:

Resolved that twenty-eight payments General Account totaling £ 647. 8. 5 be ratified

Resolved that three accounts General Account totaling £ 14. 16. 7 be passed for payment,

Resolved that five payments Trust Account totaling £ 147. 13. 0 be ratified

FINANCE:

Bank Pass Book Trust Account Cr. Bal: £ 8. 3. 11
Bank Pass Book Genrl Account Dr. Bal. £ 59. 1. 7
plus unpresented cheque £ 11. 9. 0

Confirmed this 27th day of June 1944

H. Pump
Chairman.

MINUTES of the Two hundred and fifty-ninth meeting of the Committee of The Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Society Limited, held at the Secretary's residence, Main Road, Ringwood, on Tuesday June 27th 1944 at 4-45 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr H. Pump in the Chair, and Messrs. F.S. Dunn, H.F. Pearson and J.K. Wedge, the Secretary was also in attendance.

J.W. Barrett: Before commencing the meeting the Chairman feelingly referred to the loss sustained by the death of Mr. J.W. Barrett, who had been a Member of the Committee since the inception of the Society. He said that the Committee and the Society had lost a Member whose place it would be hard to fill. He had asked the Secretary to write to Mrs Barrett expressing the Committee's sympathy, also to send along a floral tribute. At the Chairman's request the Resolution was carried by all present standing in silence.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed
Correspondence was read and received.

COMMITTEE VACANCY: Resolved that Mr. Peter Vergers be invited to accept the seat on the Committee rendered vacant by the death of Mr. J. W. Barrett, failing his acceptance that Mr. A.M. Washusen be asked to accept the seat.

OPPORTUNITY CLUBS: A request was received from the Orchardists and Fruit Cool Stores Association for a donation of Apples to the Opportunity Clubs for use in supplying the Oslo lunch to School children in the Industrial suburbs.

Resolved that six cases of Apples be purchased from the Southern Victoria Pear Packing Co: and donated to the Opportunity Clubs for this purpose.

PRODUCE STORED OTHER THAN FRUIT: The storage of Brussels Sprouts in the Cool Chambers by a Shareholder was brought under the notice of the Committee As the Rules provide for the storage of fruit only in the Cool Chambers, the storage of vegetables constituted a breach. Whilst the Committee was desirous of assisting Shareholders to hold their produce in good saleable condition, it was felt that the interests of other Shareholders should be safeguarded

Resolved that the Secretary write to the Shareholder concerned, pointing out that the storage of Sprouts was in contravention of the Rules of the Society and asking over what period he desired to store Sprouts.

ACCOUNTS
FOR
PAYMENT:

Resolved that fourteen payments General Account totaling
£ 361. 6. 7 be ratified

Resolved that two accounts General Account totaling
£ 33. 19. 8 be passed for payment.

Resolved that two payments Trust Account totaling
£ 36. 11. 11 be ratified

FINANCE:

Bank Pass Book Trust Account Cr. Bal. £ 29. 1. 3
Bank Pass Book Genrl Account Cr. Bal. £ 450. 8. 3

Confirmed this 8th day of August 1944

H. P. Perry

Chairman

MINUTES of the Two hundred and sixtieth meeting of the Committee of The Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Society Limited, held at the Secretary's residence, Main Road, Ringwood, on Tuesday August 8th, 1944 at 4-45 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. H. Pump in the Chair, and Messrs F.S. Dunn, H.F. Pearson P. Vergers, and J.K. Wedge, the Secretary was also in attendance.

The Chairman on behalf of the Committee extended a welcome to the new member Mr. P. Vergers to which Mr. P. Vergers responded.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed
Correspondence was read and received.

ENGINEER'S WAGES: The quarterly Determination of the Factory Engine Drivers Board was considered and it was:-

Resolved that the reduction provided under the Determination of the Factory Engine Drivers Board for the previous quarter not having been made, that the present rate of wages paid to the Engineers remain unaltered.

SIGNATURES TO CHEQUES: Resolved that the E.S.&A. Bank, Ringwood, be advised of the alteration in the personnel of the Committee, and that all cheques drawn on the Society's Account would be signed by one member of the Committee and countersigned by the Secretary. Also that the necessary Authority and Specimen Signatures be forwarded to the Bank.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT: Resolved that twelve payments General Account totaling £ 256. 16. 11 be ratified

Resolved that one payment Trust Account totaling £ 21. 18. 0 be ratified.

FINANCE: Bank Statement Trust Account Cr. Bal. £ 34. 14. 1
Bank Statement Genrl Account Cr, Bal. £ 555. 6. 5
less unrepresented cheque £ 49. 19. 11

Confirmed this 3rd day of October 1944

H. Pump

Chairman

6th June 1944

The Deputy Prices Commissioner,
Victorian Prices Branch,
143 Collins Street,
M. LBOURNE

Dear Sir,

"Cool Storage of Fruit"

During the years 1940 to 1943 inclusive my Society leased its Store to the Australian Apple & Pear Board at a Rent charge of 1/4d per case space, which was working cost and showed no profit margin to allow of a dividend being paid to Shareholders on Capital invested. This same charge of 1/4d per case space has been made this year to Shareholders which I understand is in accordance with the Regulations.

Acquisition having been suspended in Victoria, the Store reverts to the conditions applying previous to 1939, viz:- Shareholders are responsible for space-rent in accordance with their shareholding whether they use the space or not, but, they have the right to sub-let the space if they are unable to use it, thereby, recovering their levies if possible.

Several Shareholders who have no fruit to place in Store this year have agreed to allow other growers to use the vacant space, to avoid having to purchase fruit and re-sell at a later date. Many of these Shareholders not having leased space before and some of them for many years before the War, the question arises as to the permissible Rent-rate to charge as there is no previous personal transaction.

In view of these Shareholders not having Cool Store space to let at the time the Prices Regulation Order No. 1015 was made, I would respectfully ask on their behalf that you approve and allow of a Rent-rate charge being made similar to the usual Fruit storage rate of onepenny (1d) per week per case with a minimum charge of sixpence (6d) and a maximum charge of two shillings (2/-) per case for the season

Thanking you in anticipation

Yours faithfully

Secretary.

H.P.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA
DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND CUSTOMS

MGD/MR

TELEPHONE : F 9471 (6 LINES)

REF. NO. V.P.44/6595

VICTORIAN PRICES BRANCH,

TEMPERANCE AND GENERAL BUILDINGS,

143-7 COLLINS STREET, MELBOURNE.

8 SEP 1944

PER REGISTERED MAIL

The Secretary,
Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Society Ltd.,
RINGWOOD. VIC.

Dear Sir,

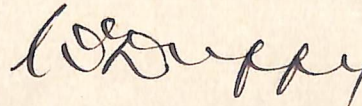
I refer to your letter of 6th June, 1944, regarding cool storage of fruit, and charges by shareholders who sublet their storage space.

In connection therein, I have to advise that approval has been given to the following charges being made by such shareholders:

1d per week per case with a minimum charge of 6d and a maximum charge of 2/- per case for the season.

This notification in writing is given under the provisions made in that behalf by Order under the National Security (Prices) Regulations and under the powers delegated to me by the Commonwealth Prices Commissioner pursuant to Regulation 46 of those Regulations.

Yours faithfully,



(W. G. DUFFY)
DEPUTY PRICES COMMISSIONER.

MINUTES of the Two hundred and sixty-first meeting of the Committee of The Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Society Limited, held at the Secretary's residence, Main Road, Ringwood, on Tuesday October 3rd 1944, at 4.45 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. H. Pump in the Chair, and Messrs F.S. Dunn, H.F. Pearson P. Vergers and J.K. Wedge, the Secretary was also in attendance.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence was read and received.

CHARGES BY SHAREHOLDERS SUB-LETTING SPACE: A reply was received to the Society's request to the Prices Branch for permission for Shareholders who sublet space to make an increased charge on Space-Rent levies to cover a return on their investment and risk incurred:-

Approval was given to the following charges:-
One-penny (1d) per case per week with a minimum charge of sixpence (6d) and a maximum charge of two shillings (2/-) per case for the season

OPPORTUNITY CLUB: A request was received from the Orchardists and Fruit Cool Stores Association for a further donation of six cases of Apples to the Opportunity Club for use in supplying the Oslo lunch to School Children in the Industrial Suburbs.

Resolved that six cases of Apples be purchased from the Southern Victoria Pear Packing Co: and donated to the Opportunity Club. Also that the Orchardists and Fruit Cool Stores Association be advised that no further donations of fruit would be made in future unless all affiliated stores contributed on a pro-rata basis.

ELECTRIC MOTOR: The Secretary reported that the Electric Motor driving the Pump and Fan to chambers 4 to 6 inclusive had broken down, this Motor was an obsolete type and difficult to obtain parts and repairs, it had been installed for over twenty years. The repairs to this Motor would cost £ 13. 0. 0 plus the hire of another Motor during repairs, also at a later stage it will require re-winding. This Motor could be re-placed by a new Motor which was at present available at a cost of £ 22. 10. 0 plus the cost of installation.

Resolved that the Secretary and Engineer arrange for a new Electric Motor to be installed.

BUILDINGS: The Secretary reported that many of the stumps under chambers 1 to 3 inclusive had rotted at ground level, and that the floors of the chambers had subsided. Arrangements were in hand to raise the floors as near as possible to the original levels and replace the defective stumps.

Resolved that action be and is hereby confirmed.

BUILDINGS: The Secretary reported that the spouting round the Cool Store buildings required attention

RESOLVED that the spouting be attended to and replacements made where necessary

RESOLVED that enquires be made re the possibilities of Painting the Cool Store Buildings

TRAFFIC ENTRANCE: A discussion ensued regarding the traffic entrance to the lower Store yard, which was at times very congested through a larger type of vehicle being used during recent years and the large quantity of fruit being brought in from other Stores for re-packing.

RESOLVED that the Secretary obtain from the Borough Engineer suggestions for improvement and extension to the entrance for consideration at a future meeting

COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Resolved that until further notice Committee Meetings be held in the evening at 7.30 p.m.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT: Resolved that ten payments General Account totaling £ 221. 0. 9 be ratified

Resolved that two Accounts General Account totaling £ 15. 1. 7 be passed for payment

Resolved that two payments Trust Account totaling £ 40. 15. 8 be ratified

FINANCE: Bank Statement Trust Account Cr. Bal. £ 32. 11. 9
Bank Statement Genrl Account Cr. Bal. £ 743. 5. 2
plus unentered credit £ 23. 4. 4

Confirmed this 21st day of November 1944

H. Pump

Chairman.

MINUTES of the Two hundred and sixty-second meeting of the Committee of The Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Society Limited, held at the Secretary's residence, Main Road, Ringwood, on Tuesday November 21st, 1944 at 7-30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. H. Pump in the Chair, and Messrs F.S. Dunn, H.F. Pearson P. Vergers and J.K. Wedge, the Secretary was also in attendance.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence was read and received.

The Secretary reported that the Electric Motor had been installed, the stumps under the Building renewed, and the Spouting round the buildings attended to.

TRAFFIC
ENTRANCE: Resolved that the Borough Council be requested to widen the entrance to the lower store yard, put in the necessary culvert over the street channel, also re-inforced concrete crossing over the footpath, the cost to be charged to the Society.

CLOSE DOWN
FOR SEASON: Resolved that the Store Plant be closed down for the season on December 2nd 1944, to enable the Machinery & Plant to be overhauled, and that Shareholders holding fruit in the Store be advised accordingly.

PEAR CHAMBER: In view of the prospect of a heavy Pear crop and a very light Apple crop. The Secretary was instructed to circularise Shareholders asking:-

1. Whether an exclusive Pear chamber was desired and the case-space required in such a chamber.
2. Whether any additional space was desired by Shareholders in addition to present holding
3. If space was not required, would authority be given to the Committee to let the space on Shareholders account

ACCOUNTS
FOR
PAYMENT: Resolved that thirteen payments General Account totaling £ 222. 18. 7 be ratified

Resolved that one payment Trust Account totaling £ 14. .4. 7 be ratified.

FINANCE: Bank Statement Trust Account Cr. Bal. £ 51. 9. 0
Bank Statement Genrl Account Cr. Bal. £ 628. 19. 4

Confirmed this 19th day of December 1944

H. Pump
Chairman.

MINUTES of the Two hundred and sixty-third meeting of the Committee of The Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Society Limited, held at the Secretary's residence, Main Road, Ringwood, on Tuesday December 19th, 1944 at 7-30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. H. Pump in the Chair, and Messrs F.S. Dunn, H.F. Pearson P. Vergers and J.K. Wedge, the Secretary was also in attendance

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence was read and received

The replies received to date from Shareholders in answer to the Questionnaire submitted by the Committee re a seperate chamber for Pears and space not required by Shareholders to be sub-let was considered:

PEAR
CHAMBER: Resolved that for the 1945 season three (3) chambers be kept at a lower temperature and Pears only be stored in such chambers until May, also that the Secretary allot the space amongst shareholders in accordance with their applications.

SPACE TO BE
SUB-LET: Resolved that in accordance with the Authority to let, received from Sundry Shareholders who will be unable to utalise their and their nominees space-holding on account of crop failure, the Secretary on behalf of such Shareholders endeavour to let any surplus space to the Australian Apple & Pear Marketing Board for the 1945 season for and on account of such Shareholders.

ACCOUNTS
FOR
PAYMENT: Resolved that eleven payments General Account totaling £ 219: 5: 11 be ratified

FINANCE: Bank Statement Genrl Account Crd Bal. £ 434: 14: 7
Bank Statement Trust Account Cr. Bal. £ 59: 12: 2

Confirmed this 4th day of January 1945

H. Pump
Chairman.

The Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Society Limited.

Ringwood,

1st December, 1944.

1945 SEASON

To the Shareholders,

Dear Sir or Madam,

The Committee desires to know whether Shareholders will require separate STORAGE for PEARS ONLY during the 1945 season, and you are asked to assist by intimating what space, if any, you would like reserved in a Pear chamber.

In the event of a chamber being reserved for Pears only, it would not be permissible to store Apples in such chamber before 1st May, when it would be decided by the Shareholders participating as to whether Apples could be placed in any vacant space at Pear temperatures.

The present prospect appears to be that the Pear crop will be good and Apples light. The response last season for an exclusive Pear chamber was very disappointing, but your Committee feels that this season applications for exclusive Pear space will be more encouraging.

It is anticipated that the demand for storage space will not be so keen this season, with the result that lower rates will have to be accepted. To enable your Committee on behalf of Shareholders to secure any business offering, you are asked to complete the attached Questionnaire and return to the Secretary not later than 9th December next.

1. Will you require the use of the whole of your and your Nominees' space holding during the 1945 Season?
2. Do you desire the whole or portion of your space holding in a chamber RESERVED FOR PEARS ONLY?
3. Do you desire to lease any extra space for the 1945 Season?
4. Do you desire the Committee to let the whole or part of your and your Nominees' space for the 1945 season?

To enable your Committee to proceed with the allotment of space, and to secure any business offering, you are asked to complete the enclosed authority as to whether you desire to use your space or wish the Committee to sublet your space on your account returning same to the Secretary immediately. While every endeavor will be made to let the space, it is understood, however, that this Authority does not bind your Committee to find a tenant for your space-holding.

For and on behalf of the Committee of Management,

J. G. AIRD, Secretary

The Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Society Limited

Complete and return immediately whichever form applies to the
Secretary, but not later than December 9th next.

I, the undersigned, hereby authorise the Committee of the Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Society Limited, to let the whole or part of my and my nominee's space holding in the Society's Cool Stores for the 1945 season, and credit any moneys received to my space-rent account until liquidated. Any surplus after meeting my indebtedness to the Society to be forwarded to me.

It is understood that this authority does not bind the Committee to let the whole or any part of my space holding.

Total number of shares held by myself and nominees is.....
shares.

Total amount of space to be let on my account is.....
case-space.

Signed

Witness.....

Dated this..... day of December, 1944

The Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Society Limited.

I, the undersigned, will require the space allotted to me and my nominees in the Society's Cool Stores in accordance with the Rules of the Society for the 1945 storage season for which I undertake to pay all space-rent levies as they fall due.

Total number of shares held by myself and nominees is.....
shares.

I will require additional space for..... cases

In chamber for Pears only..... case space

In chamber for Apples and Pears..... case-space

Total requirements for 1945..... case space

Signed.....

Witness.....

Dated this

day of December, 1944