

MINUTES of the Three hundred and ninth meeting of the Committee of the RINGWOOD CO-OPERATIVE COOL STORES SOCIETY LIMITED held at the residence of the Secretary, 46 Mullum Road, Ringwood, on 2nd February, 1950, at 7.30 p.m.

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

MINUTES : The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

CORRESPONDENCE was read and received.

POWER POINT :

Messrs. Geoffrey Thompson made application to instal at their own expense, a power point for use of their staff at the Cool Store. Resolved that power point be installed and, as the installation was a permanent addition to the building, cost would be borne by the Society.

STORAGE OF CHEESE :

The Secretary reported that he had received an application to store a quantity of cheese from the Victorian Butter Factories Society Ltd. As Chamber No. 4 seemed likely to be vacant for the season, this chamber was let to the applicants at Schedule Rates. Resolved that the Secretary's action be endorsed.

APPLICATION FOR SHARES :

Applications for shares in the Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Society were received from Messrs. A.L. and C. Jameson, Fruitgrowers, of Shepparton. Resolved that no objection be offered to transfer of shares to fruitgrowers in other fruitgrowing areas.

SPACE RENT LEVY 1950 :

Resolved that a Space Rent levy of one shilling and fourpence be struck for the 1950 season. ✓

EXTRA RUNNING COSTS :

As the Store was opened, at the request of Messrs. Geoffrey Thompson & Co., one month earlier than is customary, it was felt that portion of the extra costs involved should be met by this Company.

The Secretary reported that he had discussed this matter with Mr. Geoff Thompson, and he intimated that his Company would be quite prepared to share the costs with the Society. Resolved that Messrs. Geoffrey Thompson & Co. be approached, and basis of settlement be left in the hands of the Secretary. ✓

W. TOLSON & CO.

Resolved that payment of account for installation of Electric Motor by Messrs. W. Tolson & Co. be deferred, as the work carried out does not meet with the approval of the Engineer.

BELTS :

The Engineer reported that the belts driving the fans for the Lower Store were unsatisfactory. Resolved that new belts be purchased.

LOCKS :

Resolved that three locks be purchased to replace existing locks on outside doors.

CLEATS :

The use of cleats to prevent the stacking of fruit too tightly in the chambers was discussed.

Resolved that 5000 cleats be purchased and the quotation of £2:2:6d. per 1000 from Fruit Packers Associated Ltd. be accepted.

TRANSFER OF SHARES :

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

John Maguire to R.H. Summers	396 shares	✓
A.B. Speeding to F.J. Goulding	400 shares	✓
P.T. Young to M.D. Goulding	60 shares	✓
J.M. White to M.D. Goulding	100 shares	✓
A.L. Speeding to M.D. Goulding	188 shares	✓
F.F. Finger to G.F. Thompson	400 shares	✓
F.F. Finger to M.V. Thompson	146 shares	✓
	1690 shares	

SEAL SCRIP:

The necessary resolution having been passed for the sealing of Scrip Certificates 624 to 628 inclusive, the documents were duly signed and the seal affixed thereto in the presence of Messrs. H. Pump and H.F. Pearson, together with the Secretary.

ANNUAL MEETING :

Resolved that the fixing of the date of the Annual Meeting be left in the hands of the Secretary.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT :

Five payments General Account totalling £205:12:2d. to be ratified. ✓
 Three payments General Account totalling £195:19:9d. to be passed. ✓
 One payment Trust Account totalling £22:13:8d. to be ratified. ✓

FINANCE :

Bank Statement, General account, Dr. Balance £583: 1:10d.
 less unrepresented cheques £58:6:8d.
 Bank Statement, Trust Account, Dr. Balance £641: 8: 6d.
 Cr. Balance £ 40:12: 7d.

CONFIRMED this 7th day of March. 1950.

H. Pump

Chairman.

MINUTES of the Three hundred and tenth meeting of the Committee of THE RINGWOOD CO-OPERATIVE COOL STORES SOCIETY LIMITED held at the residence of the Secretary, 46 Mullum Road, Ringwood, on 7th March, 1950, at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT : Mr. H. Pump (in the chair), Messrs. H.F. Pearson, F.S. Dunn, J.K. Wedge and H.S. Beavis. The Secretary was also in attendance.

MINUTES : The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

CORRESPONDENCE : Was read and received.

EXTRA RUNNING COSTS :

The Secretary reported that Messrs. Geoffrey Thompson & Co. had agreed to accept the following terms as their portion of these costs :

50% Engineer's overtime, to February 25th.
50% Electric Power, to February 25th.
Thereafter, and until further notice,
50% Engineer's overtime
20% Electric Power.

Resolved that the Secretary's action be endorsed.

COOL STORES CONFERENCE :

The Victorian Orchardists and Fruit Cool Stores Association advised that arrangements had been made to have the 1950 Conference at Batlow at the end of May.

MELBOURNE ROOFING CO. :

Unsolicited estimate for repairs and painting of the roof of the Cool Store was received from this Company.
Resolved that no action be taken.

SPACE LEASED ACCOUNT SUNDRY SHAREHOLDERS :

Resolved that in accordance with the authority to let space received from sundry shareholders who were unable to utilize their and their nominee's space holding, such space be let on the said shareholder's account to applicants for such space.

The space rent charge for leased space to be One shilling and ninepence for the 1950 season, payable in instalments, viz., Eightpence per case space on or before 1st March 1950, Sevenpence per case space on or before 1st June 1950, and the balance, Sixpence per case space, on or before 1st September 1950.

Resolved that the several amounts received for the hiring of the said space on account of sundry Shareholders from time to time be credited to the respective Shareholders' Space Rent accounts until such accounts are liquidated, and the balance, if any, after a deduction of 5% for the cost of administration, etc., be pooled and distributed pro rata amongst those shareholders whose space has been so used.

INSURANCE ON FRUIT :

Resolved that the minimum amount of insurance cover against fire risk on fruit and containers in the Cool Store on the Shareholders' account for the 1950 season be twelve shillings (12/-) per case.

ANNUAL MEETING :

Resolved that the Annual Meeting be held at the Town Hall on 21st March, 1950.

ENGINE DRIVERS' BOARD :

A copy of the Determination of the Engine Drivers' Board was received from the Orchardists and Fruit Cool Stores Society, showing an increase in the rates of 4/- cost of living allowance from the first pay in February.

Resolved that the Engineer's wages be adjusted in accordance with the determination as from 1st February 1950.

NOMINATIONS FOR COMMITTEE :

All the retiring members of the Committee, viz., Messrs. H. Pump, H.F. Pearson, F.S. Dunn, J.K. Wedge and H.S. Beavis, nominated to serve for the ensuing term.

Resolved that the nominations be and are hereby accepted.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT :

Resolved that six payments, General account, totalling £231:15:5d. be ratified. ✓

Resolved that seven payments, General account, totalling £284:19:5d. be passed for payment. ✓

Resolved that one payment, Trust Account, totalling £171:16:5d. be ratified. ✓

FINANCIAL STATEMENT :

Bank Statement, General account,	Dr. balance	£57: 1: 9d.
	Less unrepresented cheque	2:17: 7d.
Bank Statement, Trust account,	Cr. balance	£232: 5: 7d.
	Less unrepresented cheque	£171:16: 5d.

CONFIRMED this 23rd day of March 1950.

H. Pump.

Chairman.

MINUTES of the Three hundred and eleventh meeting of the Committee of THE RINGWOOD CO-OPERATIVE COOL STORES SOCIETY LIMITED held at the residence of the Secretary, 46 Mullum Road, Ringwood, on 23rd March, 1950, at 7.30 p.m.

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

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

MINUTES : The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

CORRESPONDENCE was read and received.

INSURANCE ON FRUIT :

Owing to the light crop of apples and pears and the high prices ruling, it was thought that some shareholders may wish to take additional Insurance cover on their fruit. Resolved that shareholders be informed that the Insurance cover on their fruit and container is 12/- per case.

FRUIT PACKERS ASSOCIATED LTD. :

A request was received from this Company to pack pears for export at night, as they were unable to procure packers who were available during ordinary working hours. Resolved that request be granted subject to the approval of the Engineer in charge.

W. TOLSON & CO. :

The account for Electrical Installation from W. Tolson & Co. on which payment had been deferred pending further enquiries was again dealt with. Resolved that the amount as stated, £177:12:6d., be forwarded in settlement of account.

RESIGNATION OF ENGINEER :

As the manner in which the Engineer in Charge, Mr. J. McDonald, was carrying out his duties was unsatisfactory, and as he had previously intimated that he wished to be relieved of his duties, the Secretary reported that he had requested Mr. McDonald's formal resignation on March 18th, on receipt of which one week's salary was paid in lieu of notice, and resignation accepted. Resolved that the Secretary's action be endorsed.

INSPECTION OF LOG SHEETS :

The Secretary reported that Mr. McDonald had sought permission to inspect the Society's Log Sheets. After consultation with the Chairman and other members of the Committee, it was thought advisable to seek the advice of the Society's Solicitors, Messrs. Hodgson and Finlayson, as some difficulty may be experienced in the settlement of the amount due for overtime worked. Acting on the advice of the Solicitors, the inspection was permitted, and Mr. McDonald was furnished with a copy of the particulars he required. Resolved that the Secretary's action be endorsed.

CRUDE OIL ENGINE :

The Secretary reported that the Crude Oil Engine had developed a bad knock in one of the big ends, and could not be run until repairs were effected. This matter was now in the hands of Messrs. Ruston and Hornsby Ltd., and an expert was engaged in effecting repairs.
Resolved that the Secretary's action be endorsed.

APPLICATION FOR ENGINEER :

The Secretary reported that as the duties of the Engineer in Charge were now being carried out by the Assistant Engineer, as well as his own duties, the matter of appointing a successor to Mr. McDonald was a matter of extreme urgency. An advertisement was inserted in the "Age" on March 20th, 21st and 22nd, inviting applications for this position.
Resolved that the Secretary's action be endorsed.

APPOINTMENT OF ENGINEER :

In response to the advertisement inserted in the "Age", a number of applications were received for the position of Engineer in Charge. Resolved that after due consideration of the qualifications of each applicant, Mr. C. Mitchell be appointed to fill the vacancy at a salary of £11:0:0d. per week.

SETTLEMENT OF OVERTIME :

The mutual agreement between Mr. J. McDonald and the Secretary as reported at a previous meeting regarding portion of overtime to be adjusted in time off, would now have to be settled on the rates as set out in the Engine Drivers' Award together with two weeks' salary for Annual Leave to which Mr. McDonald was entitled.
Resolved that the Secretary ascertain the amount due to Mr. McDonald and forward cheque in settlement.

CONFIRMED this 27th day of April 1950.

H Pump
Chairman.

MINUTES of the Three hundred and twelfth meeting of the Committee of THE RINGWOOD CO-OPERATIVE COOL STORES SOCIETY LIMITED held at the residence of the Secretary, 46 Mullum Road, Ringwood, on Thursday, 27th April, 1950, at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT : Mr. H. Pump (in the Chair), Messrs. F.S. Dunn, H.F. Pearson, H.S. Beavis. The Secretary was also in attendance.

APOLOGIES : An apology for absence was received from Mr. J.K. Wedge.

MINUTES : The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

CORRESPONDENCE : Correspondence was read and received.

REPORTS : The Engineer in charge, Mr. C. Mitchell, submitted a report on general conditions at the Cool Store, and desired that a similar report be submitted at each meeting of the Committee.

The Secretary reported that notices had been sent to Shareholders whose Space Rent was now in arrears.

Resolved that reports be received.

DIAL THERMOMETERS :

At the instigation of the Engineer in charge, Messrs. Dobbie Bros. forwarded a quote for distance reading thermometers. To test the effectiveness of these thermometers, they proposed to supply and fit two on approval. Resolved that Messrs. Dobbie Bros. be informed that their proposal as set out in their letter of 24th April 1950 be accepted, and tests be made in Chamber No. 4.

PILOT LIGHTS :

The necessity of pilot lights as pointed out in the Engineer's report was discussed. Resolved that the Secretary take the necessary steps to have pilot lights installed at the entrance to each chamber.

INSURANCE ON BUILDINGS :

A.M.F. Society Ltd. submitted for consideration a copy of suggested amendments to the existing Insurance Policy on the Cool Store and Machinery. Resolved that this matter be deferred till further information is received.

SIGNATURE TO CHEQUES :

Resolved that the necessary document duly signed, enabling Mr. H.S. Beavis in conjunction with the Secretary to sign cheques on behalf of the Society, be forwarded to the E.S. & A. Bank Ltd., Ringwood.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT :

21 payments, General Account, totalling £833:11:6d. to be ratified. ✓
1 payment, General Account, totalling £ 9:18:1d. to be passed. ✓
2 payments, Trust Account, totalling £ 71: 4:7d. to be ratified. ✓

FINANCIAL STATEMENT :

Bank Statement, General Account -	Dr. Balance £387: 8: 7d.
Less unrepresented cheques	£ 57:16: 6d.
Bank Statement, Trust Account -	Cr. Balance £141:10: 4d.
Less unrepresented cheque	£ 62:10: 6d.

CONFIRMED this 27th day of *January* 1950.

H. Pump
Chairman.

MINUTES of the Three hundred and thirteenth meeting of the Committee of THE RINGWOOD CO-OPERATIVE COOL STORES SOCIETY LIMITED held at the residence of the Secretary, 46 Mullum Road, Ringwood, on Tuesday, 27th June, 1950, at 7.30 p.m.

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

MINUTES : The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

CORRESPONDENCE : The correspondence was read and received.

REPORTS : The Engineer's Report was read and received.

CALCIUM CHLORIDE :

Resolved that two tons of Calcium Chloride be purchased.

INSURANCE OF PLANT AND BUILDINGS :

Resolved that the Secretary procure the services of a qualified officer and obtain a valuation on the Society's buildings and machinery.

TOOLS :

Resolved that the Engineer in charge be instructed to compile a list of tools that he requires, together with the approximate cost, for consideration at the next meeting.

ALTERATIONS TO ENGINE ROOM :

Resolved that a quote be obtained for the alterations to the entrance to the Engine Room as suggested in the Engineer's Report.

LOADING PLATFORM AND RAMP :

The Secretary reported that the existing loading platform on the eastern side of the Store was in a dangerous condition. An estimate of £50:0:0d. was obtained from Messrs. E. & R. Austin, Builders, to have this section repaired.

Resolved that the quote of £50:0:0d. be accepted, and work carried out as soon as the necessary material was available.

MUNICIPAL VOTE :

Resolved that the Town Clerk, Mr. A.F.B. Long, be informed that the Secretary be empowered to vote at the Municipal Elections on behalf of the Society.

ENGINE DRIVERS BOARD :

A copy of the Determination of the Engine Drivers Board was received from the Orchardists and Fruit Cool Stores Society, showing an increase in the rates, of 3/- cost of living allowance from the first pay in May.

Resolved that the Engineer's wages be adjusted in accordance with the determination as from 1st May, 1950.

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COOL STORES ASSOCIATION :

A Circular was received from the Orchardists and Cool Stores Association in which it was pointed out that Co-operative Societies will now be subject to Income Tax.

Resolved that the Secretary discuss the matter with the Society's Auditor, Mr. W.A. Stewart.

ANNUAL LEAVE :

Resolved that the arranging of the most suitable time for annual leave due to the Assistant Engineer be left in the hands of the Engineer and Secretary.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT :

18 payments, General Account, totalling £782:9:1d. to be
ratified.
6 payments, General Account, totalling £182:3:3d. to be
passed.
2 payments, Trust Account, totalling £76:2:11d. to be
ratified.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT :

Bank Statement, General Account, Cr. Balance £241: 8: 1d.
Less unpresented cheque .. 2: 0: 0d.
Bank Statement, Trust Account, Cr. Balance £151:16: 5d.

CONFIRMED this 17th day of August 1950.

H. Pempu.
Chairman.

MINUTES of the Three hundred and fourteenth Meeting of the Committee of THE RINGWOOD CO-OPERATIVE COOL STORES SOCIETY LIMITED held at the residence of the Secretary, 46 Mullum Road, Ringwood, on Thursday, 17th August, 1950, at 7.30 p.m.

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

APOLOGIES : An apology for absence was received from Mr. H.S. Beavis.

MINUTES : The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

CORRESPONDENCE was read and received.

REPORTS : Engineer's Report was read and received.

INSURANCE : The Secretary reported that he had made enquiries regarding a valuation on the Society's Buildings and Plant, as instructed at the previous meeting. As the cost of a valuation, approximately £150:0:0d., was beyond the amount the Society was prepared to expend, arrangements were made after consultation with the Chairman, with the Australian Mutual Fire Insurance Society to increase the Insurance cover on the Buildings by £5000:0:0d., and the Plant and Machinery £5000:0:0d., making a total Insurance Cover on the Society's Buildings and Plant, £40,000:0:0d.

Resolved that the Secretary's action be endorsed.

BELTS AND TOOLS : The Engineer sought permission to purchase new belts for the brine pumps at a cost of approximately £12:10:0d., also the tools as listed and submitted with his report at an approximate cost of £18:10:0d.

Resolved that new belts and tools be purchased.

DAM : The Engineer reported the unsatisfactory condition of the water in the dam, and suggested that steps be taken to have this dam filled in, as it is no longer required.

Resolved that the Secretary make enquiries and report at the next meeting of the Committee.

HOURS OF RECEIVING FRUIT : The advisability of altering the existing hours of receiving fruit during the harvesting period was discussed at length.

Resolved that the shareholders be notified that it is proposed to alter the hours of receiving fruit from 7.30 a.m. to 2 p.m., to 7 a.m. to 12 noon, during March and April of 1951.

Shareholders objecting to the alteration to notify the Secretary in writing not later than 31st December, 1950.

ASSISTANT ENGINEER : Resolved that the wages of the Assistant Engineer be increased to £10:0:0d. per week, an increase of 4/-d.

PACKING SHED : It was reported that Messrs. Geoffrey Thompson & Co. were neglecting to observe the By-laws relating to the cleanliness of the Packing Sheds, and packing benches, and the removal of empty cases.

Resolved that the Secretary take the necessary steps to have the By-laws strictly observed.

RIPE FRUIT : It was reported that fruit was being transported from other Cool Stores and placed in our chambers in a forward condition. This procedure is causing some concern to our Engineer in Charge.

Resolved that the Engineer be instructed to report to the Secretary and to the owner or agent if he is dissatisfied with the keeping quality of fruit arriving from other Stores.

ENGINE DRIVERS' BOARD : A copy of the Determination of the Engine Drivers' Board was received from the Orchardists and Fruit Cool Stores Society, showing an increase in the rates of 3/- cost of living allowance from the first pay in August.

Resolved that the Engineer's wages be adjusted in accordance with the determination as from 1st August, 1950.

PULLEY : It was been recommended that a 16" pulley be purchased to replace the existing 8" pulley on the 25-horse Power Motor which was damaging the endless belt.

Resolved that the new 16" Pulley be purchased.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT :

Fifteen payments, General Account, Total £318:8:8d. ✓ to be ratified.
Three payments, General Account, Total £130:5:8d. ✓ to be passed.
Two payments, Trust Account, Total £111:0:3d. ✓ to be ratified.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT :

Bank Statement, General Account, Dr. Balance £31:5:5d.
Bank Statement, Trust Account, Cr. Balance £26:10:2d.

CONFIRMED this 12th day of October . 1950.

H. P. Pump.

Chairman.

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MINUTES of the Three hundred and Fifteenth Meeting of the Committee of THE RINGWOOD CO-OPERATIVE COOL STORES SOCIETY LIMITED held at the residence of the Secretary, 46 Mullum Road, Ringwood, on Thursday, 12th October, 1950, at 7.30 p.m.

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

MINUTES : The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

CORRESPONDENCE was read and received.

REPORTS : The Engineer's Report was read and received.

DAM : The Secretary reported that, together with the Engineer, he had inspected the dam, and suggested that a trench be cut through the bank, and the water emptied into an underground drain at the rear, to be carried away under Wantirna Road.

Resolved that the suggestion be accepted and the Engineer be instructed to proceed with the work as soon as possible.

BY-LAW NO. 6 :

Resolved that the following amendment be made to By-Law No. 6 :

That during March and April no fruit shall be placed in the Cool Chambers before 7 a.m. or after 12 noon on Mondays to Fridays inclusive, and 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturdays.

Shareholders to be notified of the amendment.

EMPTY CASES :

The Secretary reported that he had instructed Messrs. Geoffrey Thompson & Co. to remove their empty cases from the Cool Stores. This Company had stressed that it was very difficult to get carriers, but were making every effort to have their cases removed.

Resolved that the Secretary insist that the cases be removed without delay.

MUNICIPAL VALUATION :

The Secretary reported that the Society's buildings had been revalued by the Municipal Valuer. The valuation was made on the basis of 10/- per case space, making a valuation of £25,000.

Resolved that the Secretary interview the Valuer and endeavour to have this amount reduced, as it is considered both excessive and unreasonable.

RUBBER MATTING :

Resolved that rubber matting be purchased for the Engine Room.

LOST SCRIP CERTIFICATES :

An application was received from Mr. D.H. Sleeth for the issue of fresh Scrip Certificate No. 504, representing 390 shares, which he claimed to have been lost or destroyed, and supported by a Statutory Declaration, together with a letter of Indemnity.

An advertisement had been inserted ^{in the Ringwood Mail.} on 26th September last, stating that the said Certificate had been lost or destroyed, and that application was being made for the cancellation of the said Certificate, and the issue of a fresh Certificate in lieu thereof.

Resolved that after one month from the date of the advertisement consideration would be given to the issue of a fresh Certificate.

TRANSFER OF SHARES :

Resolved that the following transfer of Shares be and is hereby approved :

M.R. Sleeth to E. Ravizza - 390 Shares. ✓

SEAL SCRIP :

The necessary resolution having been passed for the sealing of Scrip Certificate No. 629, the documents were duly signed and the Seal affixed thereto in the presence of Messrs. H. Pump and H.F. Pearson, together with the Secretary.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT :

Resolved that 18 payments, General Account, totalling £388:18:6d., be ratified.

Resolved that 7 payments, General Account, totalling £489:19:6d., be passed, and

that 3 payments, Trust Account, totalling £153:11:5d. be ratified.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT :

Bank Statement, General Account	- Cr. Balance	£490: 6:10	✓
	Less unrepresented cheques	£ 54:15: 2	✓
Bank Statement, Trust Account	- Cr. Balance	£ 20:19: 7.	✓

CONFIRMED this 23rd day of November 1950.

H. Pump.

Chairman.

The Ringwood Co-operative Cool Stores Society Limited

November, 1950.
Ringwood.

1951 STORAGE SEASON

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS—

Dear Sir/Madam,

During previous seasons separate chambers were set aside for the storage of Pears only, which proved successful. Your Committee is of the opinion that the same procedure and conditions should be continued this season with a chamber reserved for Pears.

In any chamber reserved for Pears it would not be permissible to store Apples in such chamber before the 1st May. Shareholders desiring to fill vacant space with Apples after the 1st May would be permitted to do so, on the clear understanding that chambers will be held at Pear temperatures and the Shareholder must accept full responsibility for the out-turn of Apples placed in such chambers at Pear Temperatures.

To enable the necessary adjustments of space to be made for Pears only to be stored in certain chambers, and Apples and Pears mixed in other chambers, also to provide for any additional space over your shareholding you may require, or to sublet any space on your account that you do not require this season, you are requested to complete the relative attached authority, returning same to the Secretary not later than December 16 next.

Your immediate attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Your attention is also directed to By-Law No. 6 which has been amended and now reads: No fruit is 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, excepting during March and April when no fruit is to be placed in the Cool Chambers before 7 a.m. or after 12 noon on Mondays to Fridays inclusive and 7 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.

For and on behalf of the Committee of Management

P. VERGERS,
Secretary.

Complete and return immediately, whichever form applies, to the
Secretary, but not later than December 16 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 1951
Season, and credit any moneys received to my space-rent account until
liquidated. Any surplus after meeting my indebtedness to the Society for
space rent and charges 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 nominee is.....shares.

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

Signed.....

Witness.....

Dated this.....day of December, 1950.

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 1951 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 1951.....case-space.

Signed.....

Witness.....

Dated this.....day of December, 1950.

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

MINUTES : The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

CORRESPONDENCE was read and received.

REPORTS : The Engineer's Report was read and received.

APPLICATION FOR SPACE :

An application for Cool Storage space for 1951 season was received from Messrs. Geoffrey Thompson & Co.

Resolved that Messrs. Geoffrey Thompson & Co. be informed that any space available after the shareholders' requirements have been met, would be allotted to them, also that the Committee express their appreciation for business transacted during the 1950 season.

YOUTH TRAVEL SCHEME :

A request for a donation to assist this Scheme was received from the Mayor, Cr. H.E. Parker.

Resolved that Cr. H.E. Parker be informed that the Committee regrets its inability to assist in the scheme.

MUNICIPAL VALUATION :

As the Official Notification had been received regarding the recent revaluation of the Society's buildings and plant, viz., £25,000, this matter was discussed at length.

Resolved that information be sought with a view to lodging a protest against the valuation made.

ENGINE DRIVERS' BOARD :

A copy of the Determination of the Engine Drivers' Board was received from the Orchardists and Fruit Cool Stores Society, showing an increase in the rates of 3/- cost of living allowance from the first pay in November.

Resolved that the Engineer's wages be adjusted in accordance with the determination as from 1st November 1950.

LOST SCRIP CERTIFICATE :

Resolved that the application from Mr. D.H. Sleeth for the issue of a fresh Scrip Certificate in lieu of lost Scrip Certificate No. 504 relating to 390 shares numbered 15976 to 16177, 16459 to 16486, 16825 to 16848, and 35639 to 35774, inclusive, be approved.

SIGN SCRIP : The necessary resolution having been passed for the sealing of Scrip Certificate No. 630, the document was duly signed and the seal affixed thereto in the presence of Messrs. H. Pump and H.F. Pearson, together with the Secretary.

ROOFING IRON :

Resolved that one ton of galvanized roofing iron be purchased when procurable as suggested in the Engineer's Report.

CLOSE OF SEASON :

Resolved that the Cool Store close down on 2nd December, enabling Engineers to commence annual overhaul.

NO. 3 CHAMBER :

It was reported that the ceiling in No. 3 Chamber was badly affected with dry rot and had reached the stage where repairs would have to be made before receiving fruit for the coming season.

Resolved that the Secretary submit a full report at the next Committee meeting.

TRAVELLING EXPENSES :

Resolved that portion of the expenses incurred by the Secretary for attendance at the Annual Conference of the Orchardists and Fruit Cool Stores Association at Batlow, New South Wales, be paid by the Society.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT :

7	payments, General account, totalling £209:8: 6d.	to be ratified.
8	" " " " " £178:14:1d.	" " passed.
2	" Trust Account, " £ 39: 8:0d.	" " ratified.
1	" " " " £ 29:15:7d.	" " passed.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT :

Bank Statement, General Account -	Dr. Balance	£227: 8: 2d.
" " Trust Account	Cr. Balance	£ 44:19:11d.

CONFIRMED this

11th day of January, 1951

J. H. Pump

Chairman.