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MINUTES of the Three hundred and thirtyninth 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 19th January,
1954, at 7.30 p.m.

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

CHAIRMAN : Resolved that Mr. H.F. Pearson be elected Chairman for the remainder of the ensuing term.

MOTION OF SYMPATHY :

Before calling on the business of the meeting, the Chairman referred to the sudden passing of our late Chairman, Mr. H. Pump. He was a foundation Member of the Society, and with the exception of two years had been Chairman of the Committee since 1935. His knowledge and willingness to further the interests of the Industry will be a great loss to all who were associated with him. The Chairman moved and Mr. Wedge seconded that appreciation of the services rendered to the Society by Mr. Pump be recorded in the Minutes, and that a letter of sympathy be forwarded to his relatives.

The resolution was carried by all members standing as a mark of respect.

APOLOGY : An apology was received from Mr. F.S. Dunn.

MINUTES of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

CORRESPONDENCE was read and received.

FILLING OF DAM :

The Secretary reported that after a discussion with the Chairman and the Borough Engineer, Mr. Lucas, he had refrained from inserting an advertisement in the Press inviting tenders for the filling in of the dam, as instructed at the last meeting.

As it was now desired to defer this matter, notice of motion to rescind the Resolution standing in the Minutes of the previous meeting was given.

CORRESPONDENCE DEALT WITH :

The Secretary reported that he had replied to the following letters : Messrs. Malleson, Stewart & Co., Solicitors for the Estate of the late H.W. Smith, of Plymouth Road, Croydon, requesting information regarding the number of shares held by the deceased and the value of the shares. This Company was informed that 130 shares were registered in the name of the deceased and that the shares were 10/- shares paid up to 2/-.

Mrs. Ada J. Chandler, requesting that the Committee endeavour to dispose of her shares at their present value. Mrs. Chandler was informed that a transfer of her shares at their paid up value, 2/- each, would be arranged at an early date.

The Public Trustee, seeking information relative to his application for the issue of new Scrip. The Public Trustee was informed that arrangements were complete for the issuing of a new Scrip and it was expected that new Scrip would be forwarded at an early date.

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

BLUE MOON FRUIT CO-OPERATIVE LTD. :

Resolved that the Blue Moon Fruit Co-operative Ltd. be thanked for their letter expressing satisfaction at the keeping of the fruit last season, and their willingness to allow Pool Growers the usual Store losses.

MRS. A.M. FLENTJE :

Resolved that Mrs. A.M. Flentje be informed that it is regretted that she has not received any remuneration for her shares, but owing to the high running and maintenance costs this has been unavoidable.

ENGINE DRIVERS' AWARD :

A copy of the Determination of the Engine Drivers Board was received showing an increase in the Rates of Two shillings cost of living allowance from December 8th, 1953. Resolved that the Engineer's wages be adjusted in accordance with the Determination as from December 8th, 1953.

ADVERTISING SIGN :

A request from Mr. K. Rees for the erection of an advertising sign on the south side of the Cool Store Building was received. Resolved that Mr. Rees be informed that his request could not be acceded to.

CRUDE OIL ENGINE :

The Secretary reported that during the overhaul of the Crude Oil Engine, it was found that the exhaust valve and guide were showing signs of wear, and on expert advice it was recommended that a new set be purchased and held as an emergency.

Resolved that the necessary parts be ^{procured} secured.

SPACE RENT LEVY 1954 :

Resolved that a Space Rent Levy of Two Shillings and Sixpence be struck for the year 1954, payable in three instalments as follows :

First Instalment due and payable on or before	1st March, 1954.
Second " " " " "	1st June, 1954.
Third " " " " "	1st September 1954.

APPLICATIONS FOR SPACE 1954 :

The Secretary reported that according to applications already received, indications were that the Cool Store would again be filled, and that one Chamber would be reserved for Pears only.

Resolved that the Allotting of the space be left in the hands of the Secretary.

LOST SCRIP :

An application supported by a Statutory Declaration and a Letter of Indemnity was received from the Public Trustee on behalf of the late Stanley W. Seymour for the issue of a fresh Scrip Certificate in lieu of Scrip Certificate No. 453 relating to Three hundred and ninety-six shares, numbered 4342 to 4719, and 16405 to 16422, both inclusive, which had been lost. An advertisement had been inserted in the Ringwood Mail on November 5th, 1953, making application for the issue of fresh Scrip Certificate.

Resolved that the lost Certificate be cancelled and a fresh Scrip Certificate No. 660 for the said Shares be issued.

SEAL SCRIP :

The necessary resolution having been passed for the sealing of Scrip Certificate No. 660, the document was duly signed and the seal affixed thereto in the presence of Messrs. H.F. Pearson, J.K. Wedge together with the Secretary.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS AT 31.12.1953 :

Resolved that -

24 payments General Account totalling £772:14:8d. be ratified. ✓
5 payments Trust Account " £168: 3:7d. be ratified. ✓

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS AT 31.12.1953 :

Bank Statement - General Account - Dr. Balance £254:15: 2
less unrepresented cheques 26:10:10
Bank Statement - Trust Account Cr. Balance £ 1: 1: 7
less unrepresented cheque 1: 1: 7

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT AS AT 19/1.1954 :

Resolved that

1 payment General Account totalling £60:11: 0d. be ratified. ✓
5 payments " " " 38:13:4d. be passed. ✓
1 " Trust " " 6:17:10d. be ratified. ✓

FINANCIAL STATEMENT AS AT 19.1.1954 :

Bank Statement - General Account - Dr. Balance £341:17: 0d.
" " Trust " Cr. Balance 20: 7: 4d.
less unrepresented cheque 1: 1: 7d.

CONFIRMED this

25th

day of February, 1954.

H. F. Pearson

CHAIRMAN.

25th February, 1954.

At the conclusion of business for the evening, the chairman, supported by all members of the Committee, desired that their appreciation of the manner in which the Secretary had carried out his duties during the year be recorded in the Minutes.

CONFIRMED this

6th.

day of

May.

1954.

H. J. Pearson

Chairman

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MINUTES of the Three hundred and fortyfirst 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 6th May, 1954.

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

CHAIRMAN : Resolved that Mr. H.F. Pearson be elected Chairman for the ensuing
term. The Chairman extended a welcome to the new member,
Mr. J.G. Godbehear, to which Mr. Godbehear responded.

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

CORRESPONDENCE was read and received.

MRS. M. NEUMANN :

A letter was received from Mrs. M. Neumann stating that the Scrip
for 320 shares in the name of J.C. Neumann had been lost, and that
she wished to be advised as to the necessary steps to be taken to
have a new Scrip issued. Mrs. Neumann was anxious to have these
Shares transferred to her son as soon as possible. The Secretary
reported that he had informed Mrs. Neumann of the procedure to be
adopted in securing new Scrip and emphasized that the Committee
were unable to act in the matter until Letters of Administration
of the Estate of the late J.C. Neumann had been exhibited.

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

SPACE RENT ARREARS :

The Secretary reported that Messrs. Benburb Pty. Ltd. had failed
to pay Space Rent due within the specified time allowed by the
Rules of the Society.

A letter explaining that severe illness had prevented this matter
from receiving earlier attention, together with a cheque for the
amount outstanding, plus the second instalment of Space Rent due
on 1st June next has since been received.

Resolved that the explanation be accepted and that no further action
be taken.

AUTHORITY TO SIGN :

Resolved that any one member of the Committee in conjunction with the
Secretary be authorised to sign cheques on behalf of the Society,
and that the necessary document bearing specimen signatures be
forwarded to the E.S. & A. Bank, Ringwood.

TRANSFER OF SHARES :

Resolved that the following transfer of shares be and is hereby
approved ;

6th May, 1954.

Edward Grose to Mary S. Fong	396	Shares	✓
Stanley Seymour to William S. Fong	396	"	✓
Roy W. Newton to Betty C. Fong	390	"	✓
Lorna B. Giles to Roy Hooper	182	"	✓
Ena P. Whitten to Edward Vergers	303	"	✓
Chas. E. Meyland to Dorothy Meyland	240	"	✓
Alice Meyland to Oliver J. Meyland	234	"	✓

Total	2141	"	
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SIGN SCRIP :

The necessary resolution having been passed, for the sealing of Scrip Certificates Nod. 661 to 667, 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. 9

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT :

Resolved that -

20 payments General Account totalling £1168: 6: 0d.	be ratified.	✓
2 " " " " £ 27:11:11d.	" passed.	✓
2 " Trust " " £ 341: 0:11d.	" ratified.	✓

FINANCIAL STATEMENT :

Bank Statement - General Account.	Credit Balance	£140: 1: 3d.
	Less unrepresented cheques	£ 17: 6: 0d.
Trust Account.	Credit Balance	£ 81: 4: 1d.

CONFIRMED this

18th

day of

June

1954.

F. S. Dunn

Chairman.

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MINUTES of the Three hundred and fortysecond meeting of the
COMMITTEE of THE RINGWOOD CO-OPERATIVE COOL STORES SOCIETY
LIMITED held at the residence of the Secretary, 46 Mallow
Road, Ringwood, on Friday, 18th June 1954, at 7.30 p.m.

APOLOGY : An apology for absence was received from the Chairman, Mr. H.F. Pearson.

CHAIRMAN : In the absence of Mr. Pearson, Mr. Dunn was invited to preside over the meeting.

PRESENT : Mr. F.S. Dunn, Mr. J.K. Wedge, Mr. H.S. Beavis, Mr. J.G. Godbehear.
The Secretary was also in attendance.

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

CORRESPONDENCE was read and received.

RAILWAYS DEPARTMENT :

A letter was received from the Estate Office of the Railways Department drawing attention to the blackberries on Railway property leased by the Society. The Secretary reported that the blackberries had been sprayed with an approved brand of blackberry killer and that it was considered that the results were very satisfactory, with the exception of a few plants which were partly obscured by the growth of some old fruit trees. The Secretary reported that he had notified the Department of the action that had been taken but they still persisted with their complaint.

A suggestion that the old fruit trees be removed and the remaining few blackberry plants be grubbed out, and that a single rail fence be erected in their place, was then considered.

Resolved that the Secretary's action be endorsed and that the fence as suggested be erected.

FRUIT RIPENING :

It was reported that Packham pears owned by Messrs. Sang Goon & Co., and stored in Chamber 11, were in a ripe and forward condition.

Resolved that as no action could be taken to remedy the position at present, further consideration be given at a later date with a view to preventing a similar occurrence in the future.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT :

Resolved that -

12 payments	General account	totalling £575:11:9d.	be ratified.	✓
5	"	"	" £327:13:1d.	" passed. ✓
2	"	Trust Account	" £ 82: 5:4d.	" ratified. ✓

FINANCIAL STATEMENT :

Bank Statement	General Account	- Credit balance	£1018:14: 3
		Less unrepresented	
		cheques	£99: 9: 2
"	"	Trust Account	- Credit balance £99:10:10

CONFIRMED this 26th day of August. 1954.

H. F. Pearson

Chairman.

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MINUTES of the Three hundred and fortythird 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, 26th August, 1954, at 7.30 p.m.

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

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

CORRESPONDENCE was read and received.

ENGINE DRIVERS' AWARD :

A copy of the Determination of the Engine Drivers' Award was received
from the Orchardists and Fruit Cool Stores Association showing a decrease
in the rates of one shilling per week cost of living allowance as from the
first pay period in August 1954. Resolved that the Engineers' wages be
adjusted in accordance with the Determination as from August 1st, 1954.

LEVY FOR ADVERTISING :

To provide a fund for advertising purposes, the Executive of the
Orchardists and Fruit Cool Stores Association recommend that a levy
of one farthing per case on the capacity of the Store be imposed on
all affiliated Cool Stores.
Resolved that the Secretary be empowered to support the recommendation
of the Executive at a meeting of delegates to be held on August 31st,
1954.

PAINTING OF STORE :

Resolved that the Secretary call tenders for the painting of the Society's
buildings.

SECRETARY'S SALARY :

Resolved that the Secretary's salary be increased by £104 per annum, and
that the increase be made retrospective to 1st January, 1954.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT :

Resolved that -
16 payments General Account totalling £795: 4: 6d. be ratified. ✓
3 payments Trust Account " £327:18: 5d. be ratified. ✓

FINANCIAL STATEMENT :

Bank Statement - General Account : Credit Balance - £862:19: 5d.
Bank Statement - Trust Account : Credit Balance - £ 64: 4: 9d.

CONFIRMED this 22nd day of October 1954.

H. F. Pearson

Chairman.

MINUTES of the Three hundred and fortyfourth 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 Friday, 22nd October, 1954, at 7.30 p.m.

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

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

CORRESPONDENCE was read and received.

TENDERS FOR PAINTING :

In response to advertisements inserted in "The Age" and "The Ringwood Mail," the following tenders were received for the painting of the Society's buildings :

Messrs. Whiting & Sons - £549:0:0d.	Gleeson & Grigg - £596:12:0d.
J.W. Rival - £604:2:0d.	A. Markley - £630: 0:0d.
Willis & Ryan - £816:0:0d.	T. Wilson - £825:12:6d.
T. Leen - £862:10:0d.	W.J. O'Donnell - £934:10:0d.
Saletta & Perman - £1850:0:0d.	

Resolved that the tender submitted by Messrs. Gleeson & Grigg be tentatively approved, and that the Secretary, together with the Engineer in Charge, be empowered to finally accept this tender and instruct the Contractors to proceed with this work as soon as possible.

NIGHTWATCHMAN :

The Secretary reported that he had temporarily engaged Metropolitan Night Patrol Services Pty. Ltd. to carry out the duties of nightwatchman, previously entrusted to Mr. Anderson. This Company's charge is 10/6d. per week.

Resolved that Metropolitan Night Patrol Services Pty. Ltd. be instructed to continue until further notice.

REPAIRS :

Resolved that 200 feet of weatherboards be purchased for repairs where necessary before painting commences.

CLOSING OF STORE :

Resolved that the Store close down for the season on December 4th next, and that notices to this effect be placed on the Chamber doors.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT : Resolved that :

14 payments General Account totalling £616: 9: 9d.	be ratified.	
5 " " " " £100: 0: 0d.	be passed for payment.	
1 " Trust Account " £ 22:19: 6d.	be ratified.	

FINANCIAL STATEMENT :

Bank Statement - General Account.	Cr. Balance £1866:18: 2d.
	Less unrepresented
	cheque 10: 2: 0d.
Trust Account	Cr. Balance £110:13: 5d.

CONFIRMED this

30th

day of November 1954.

H. F. Pearson

Chairman.

MINUTES of the Three hundred and fortyfifth 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, November 30th, 1954, at 7.30 p.m.

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

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

CORRESPONDENCE was read and received.

ENGINE DRIVERS' AWARD :

A copy of the Determination of the Engine Drivers Board was received from the Orchardists and Fruit Cool Stores Association. A decrease in the rates of Two shillings cost of living adjustment as from November 1st, 1954, was shown.

Resolved that the Engineer's Wages be adjusted in accordance with the Determination as from November 1st, 1954.

ENGINEER'S RESIGNATION :

Mr. J. Baker tendered his resignation as Assistant Engineer, and wishes to be relieved of his duties on December 4th next, and requests a reference for the term of his employment with the Society.

Resolved that the resignation be accepted and that a reference be given.

REPAIRS :

It was reported that the wall in Chamber One was badly affected with dry rot and that repairs would have to be carried out as soon as possible.

Permission to engage extra labour if necessary was sought.

Resolved that repairs be effected in Chamber One and that the Secretary be empowered to engage additional labour if required.

PAINT ON ROOF :

Resolved that Specialised Building Services be written to and informed that the paint applied to the roof under their contract was not satisfactory and as this work is guaranteed for five years, it would be appreciated if the matter was rectified as soon as possible.

ASSISTANT ENGINEER :

Resolved that the Engineer and the Secretary be empowered to engage a suitable applicant for the position rendered vacant by J. Baker.

TENDERS FOR PAINTING :

Resolved that the Secretary's Action in accepting the tender of £607:2:0d. submitted by Messrs. Gleeson and Grigg of Malvern Road, South Yarra, be and is hereby endorsed.

TRANSFER OF SHARES :

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

S.W. Johnston to L. Grattan	78 shares	✓
M.F. Johnston to H.W. Grattan	390 shares	✓

SEAL SCRIP :

The necessary resolution having been passed for the sealing of Scrip Certificates Nos. 668 and 669, 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.

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30th November 1954.

ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT :

Resolved that :

11 payments General Account totalling £422: 3: 6d. be ratified. ✓
2 " Trust " " £ 85:11:10d. " " ✓

FINANCIAL STATEMENT :

Bank Statement General Account -	Credit Balance	£1419: 4: 4d.
	Less unrepresented cheque	£11:10: 0d.
Bank Statement Trust Account -	Credit Balance	£111: 6: 1d.

CONFIRMED this

14th

day of

January 1955.

H. F. Pearson.

Chairman.