TAMWORTH INDUSTRIAL CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY

GX LIMITED.

Established November 24th, 1886. Registered March 18th, 1887.

Reg. Office: 5, Colehill, Tamworth, Staffordshire.

Register No., 2,582. Telephone No. 16.

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QUARTERLY REPORT

FOR THE

Quarter ended Oct. 11th, 1919.

BANKERS:

CO-OPERATIVE WHOLESALE SOCIETY LIMITED, MANCHESTER.



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OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

Chairman: Mr. HENRY SANDERS.

Secretary and Manager: Mr. F. S. WHARTON, F.C.I.S.

Auditor: Mr. THOS. BRODRICK, Public Auditor, Co-operative Wholesale Society Limited, Audit Department, 1, Balloon Street, Manchester.

Arbitrators: H. J. FAUSSET, Esq., M.D.; A. E. RICHARDSON, Esq., M.D.; Rev. J. E. H. BLAKE, M.A.; Rev. J. T. W. CLARIDGE, M.A.

GENERAL COMMITTEE AND THEIR ATTENDANCES.

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NAME.	Expires.	Possible.	Actual.	Finance.	Trade.	Farm.	Building.	TOTAL.
*Mr. Albert E. Hackett "J. Wrench." "William Lawley." "Henry F. Walker." "George Newstead." "Walter J. French." "Henry Sanders." "William Jackson." "John Kent." "Geo. Shuttleworth." "Thomas Genders." "Gh. Jones." Those marked thus * retire, but are eligible for re-election. +Ill twice. ; Ill five times.	June, 1920 "Dec., 1920	29 29 29 29 29 29 29 29 29 29 29 29	21 25 27 23 18 16 24 24 24 29 26 17	6	6 12 4 10 12 11	7 6 4 7 	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::	40 37 39 34 24 20 49 35 31 41 37 22

NOMINATIONS FOR GENERAL COMMITTEE.

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" W. J. LAWLEY " R. G. Talbot " Mrs. E. Underwood "	M. Davies.
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" A. D. HACKELL	M. Young.
" I Whineir E. Chapman Mr.	. A. Findley.
W Blythe	G. T. Leafe.
" " " S. Brant	L. Gilbert.

Mr. H. F. Walker resigns his seat on the General Committee owing to increased duties in his employment.

THE QUARTERLY MEETING

WILL BE HELD IN THE

TOWN HALL, on Wednesday, December 3rd, 1919.

Members will only be admitted to the Business Meetings of the Society upon production of their Pass Cards at the door, in conformity with Rule 22.

Chair to be taken at 7 o'clock, when the following and any other business that may transpire will be brought forward:-

AGENDA.

- 1. Confirmation of Minutes of the last Quarterly Meeting.
- Report of Committee.
- 3. Confirmations. That confirmation be given :-
 - (a) To the purchase of Arkall Farm, Ashby Road, Tamworth, of 196 acres, for the sum of £9,812. 10s.
 - (b) To the purchase of House, Shop, and Premises in New Street, Dordon, for the sum of £1,550.
 - (c) To the purchase of Offa House, Buildings, Yard, and Workshops, Offa Street, Tamworth, for the sum of £2,000.
- 4. Recommendations of the Committee :-
 - (a) Four Months' Bread free of charge to the Tamworth Hospital.
 - (b) £4. 4s. to the Birmingham General Hospital.
 - (c) £2. 2s. to Birmingham and Midland Ear and Throat Hospital.
 - (d) £10 to High Wycombe Co-operative Society Limited to their fund to alleviate distress caused by Furnishing Trades' Dispute.
 - (e) £5. 5s. to Birmingham and Midland Convention.
 - (f) £1. 1s. to St. John Ambulance Brigade.
- 5. Elections :-
 - (a) Arbitrators.
 - (b) Auditors.
 - (c) Scrutineer.
 - (d) Six Members to serve on the Representation Committee.
 - (e) One Member to the General Committee to serve the unexpired term of Mr. H. F. Walker (resigned).
- 6. Nominations for Three Members to serve on the Educational Committee. Messrs. T. Leedham, F. Sketchley, and G. H. Brookfield are the retiring Members.
- 7. Declaration of the Election of Three Members to the General Committee.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

November, 1919.

FELLOW-MEMBERS,

We have pleasure in bringing before you a report of further progress in every part of the Society's business-Sales, Membership, and Capital.

NEW MEMBERS continue to join the Society every week in unprecedented numbers,

CAPITAL is being invested by the members in increasing weekly amounts, and much capital is being passed through our hands by Individual Depositors and Trade Unionists for investment in the C.W.S. Bank.

SMALL SAVINGS .- Increase in membership and capital.

MEMBERSHIP	last Quarter	$5954 \\ 231$
	Withdrawn and numbers filled during Quarter	$6185 \\ 155$
	Present Membership	6030

SALES for the Quarter have been £68,468, a decrease upon the previous quarter of £3,966, but an increase over the same quarter of last year of £10,722; the quarter's decrease being entirely due to the summer or seasonal period.

OUR PRE-WAR STAFF is now nearly complete, there remaining only eight to be demobilised. We hope in this reunion there will be a happy service for them in the future, and that by their loyal service to the Society the business will be extended and the members well supplied.

DEVELOPMENT has continued at a rapid pace, and your confirmation is asked to the purchase of several properties. Land for farming purposes only comes into the market occasionally, and when a suitable plot is offered then is the time to consider purchase. In this respect we have completed the purchase of the Poplars Farm, Shuttington, of 207 acres, and made a contract to purchase the Arkall Farm of 196 acres, situated exactly opposite to our Ashlands Farm, on the other side of the Ashby Road, about one mile from town. Negotiations for the purpose of a branch shop at Dordon were instituted, and ended ultimately in the purchase of the freehold premises of Mr. S. Clifford, of New Street, Dordon, comprising land, shop, house, bakehouse, and buildings. It is arranged for the premises to be handed over soon, and we open our first branch shop. An opening ceremony will take place, to which our Dordon and Birchmoor members will be invited, and we hope they will rally up and give their branch a real good business start. Success to the Dordon Branch!

THE WORKS DEPARTMENT is continuing to increase, much work upon the Society's own property being done both in repair work and extension. We have now bricklayers, carpenters, and painters, and the temporary accommodation made to store material and for workshops is inadequate and unsuitable. A contract has been made to purchase the freehold property of Mr. E. Williams in Offa Street, Tamworth, which comprises a house, builder's yard, and premises with stables, carpenter's, painter's, plumber's, and blacksmith's shops. This purchase will give scope for this department and storage for considerable quantities of material.

INTERIM DIVIDEND we recommend to be paid at 1s. 6d. in the £, and this will be paid out in the Baths and Institute, Church Street, Tamworth,

At the Quarterly Meeting held on September 5th, 1917, it was decided that a committee be formed for Direct Representation. The committee was appointed as follows: Three from the General Committee, three from the Educational Committee, and three members at the Quarterly Meeting. We recommend that the number elected by the Quarterly Meeting be increased, and that the number in future be six.

Although things nationally are far from being all right, we cannot but feel at this season of the year our old-time desire for a festive season. We cannot and shall not forget our glorious dead, but we have now to labour and live one with another to our mutual benefit, advancement, and pleasure.

We wish all our members the best of wishes at this season, and hope for them happiness and prosperity now, next year, and continuing.

Yours faithfully,

For the Committee.

FREDK. S. WHARTON, Secretary.

PROGRESS OF THE SOCIETY FROM 1887 TO 1919.

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the Tamworth Industrial Co-operative Society AUTHORITY TO WITHDRAW DIVIDEND Limited.

hereby authorise you to pay the same to the bearer of this Voucher. Dividend due the for undersigned, the Quarter hereby ended give notice October11th,to withdraw 1919, and my

		NOTICE OF ADDRESS.
Limited.	Society	To the Tamworth Industrial Co-operative Society Limited.
o 7 p.m.	6 p.m. to 7 p.m.	TIMES OF PAYMENT. Thursday10 a.m. to 12 noon. 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Friday10 , 12 , 2 , 4 , Saturday10 , 12 , 2 , 4 ,
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		Share No.
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		this 4th 5th 6th day of December, 1919.
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	eranen (terres (ter	Address of Witness
		Witness To be used where number is proble to write.
		Date

Street

Share No.

Town or Village

Name

NOTE.—This Form must be filled up by the Owner of the Shares. Where same cannot write, his or her

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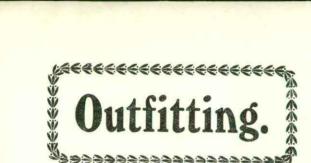
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"Each for All, and All for Each."

MA NOTICES. KO.

Every Member is particularly requested to peruse the following, and their compliance with same is asked for:-

Clothing Club—Easy Payments: Subscriptions to this are received at any time, the amount so received being from 6d. to 5s. All moneys must be expended in the Drapery, Clothing, Boot, Coal, or Furnishing Departments.

Members' Attention is directed to Rule XX.; whereby they may nominate the party to whom the money standing to their credit may be paid at their decease. If Members would attend to this rule the money could be transferred at their death free of expense, and those entitled to receive the money saved a considerable amount of trouble.

Small Savings Bank.—Deposits are received at any time during office hours. Sums from One Penny to Ten Shillings may be deposited, but not more than £20 can be on deposit at one time. Interest at the rate of £4. 3s. 4d. per cent per annum is paid on each sum of Four Shillings remaining on deposit for three months.

Members Changing their Address should intimate the same to the Secretary. A Form is placed at the end of this Report for that purpose, and much annoyance will be saved to the staff if we can be advised of any alteration.

Co-operative Insurance.—We are in a position to effect Insurances of all kinds—Life, Fire, Burglary, Live Stock, Accident, and Aircraft and Bombardment. The risk is covered by the Joint Insurance Department of the C.W.S and S.C.W.S., and Co-operators should be convinced of the necessity of some Insurance and apply at once to the office for all information relating to the various branches of our Insurance Business.

National Health Insurance.—Under the C.W.S. we are an Approved Section for the purposes of the Insurance under the Act. As in every other business, so in this, we want our Members and their sons and daughters to take their benefit through this Society. We claim to be able to do this business with promptness and with a minimum of expense.

Withdrawals of Share Capital and Dividends can only be paid to the actual owner of the Shares, unless the person sent is provided with written authority and a Notice of Withdrawal Form duly signed by such owner of Shares. The Share Pass Book and Pass Card must be produced whenever a contribution to or a withdrawal from Shares is made. Children should not be sent to the Office either to receive or pay moneys.

Share, Building (Mortgage), and Penny Bank Books should be sent in regularly on or before dates given on almanac, and the importance of this cannot be too strongly impressed upon Members. When left the Pass Card should have the amount standing in the Share Book entered thereon and same initialled.

The Current Quarter ends on January 10th, 1920, and Share Books should be sent in by the 6th day of month following.

Dividends will be paid on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, December 4th, 5th, and 6th, between the hours of 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., and 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Children should not be sent to draw Dividends.

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