

**NOTE.—QUARTERLY MEETING, TOWN HALL, DECEMBER 7th, 1921, at 7 p.m.**

# **TAMWORTH INDUSTRIAL CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY**

LIMITED.

Established November 24th, 1886.  
Registered March 15th, 1887.

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

Register No., 2,582.  
Telephone No. 16.  
Telegrams: "KOHOP."

The 140th

## ***Quarterly Report***

FOR THE

***Quarter ended  
Oct. 15th, 1921.***



BANKERS:  
CO-OPERATIVE WHOLESALE SOCIETY LIMITED,  
MANCHESTER.



CENTRAL PREMISES.



# OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

**Chairman:** MR. ALBERT E. HACKETT.

**Secretary and Manager:** MR. F. S. WHARTON, F.C.I.S., F.L.A.A.

**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.

NAME.	Time Expires.	GENERAL.		Finance.	Trade— Colehill.	Farm.	Building.	Special.	Trade— Leys.	TOTAL.
		Possible.	Actual.							
†MR. JOHN KENT.....	Dec., 1921	28	25	..	..	7	2	..	..	34
† " ALBERT E. HACKETT.....	"	28	27	12	9	4	3	..	14	69
† " J. WRENCH.....	"	28	25	..	10	..	5	..	..	40
" GEORGE NEWSTEAD.....	June, 1922	28	20	..	..	4	..	..	..	24
" WALTER J. FRENCH.....	"	28	21	8	2	4	4	..	3	42
" GEO. H. FARMER.....	"	28	26	..	..	..	5	..	15	46
" HENRY SANDERS.....	Dec., 1922	28	28	11	..	..	..	..	..	39
* " WILLIAM JACKSON.....	"	28	15	7	..	..	..	..	..	22
" GEO. H. SMITH.....	"	28	27	13	..	..	..	..	..	40
" THOMAS GENDERS.....	June, 1923	28	28	..	11	..	..	..	..	39
" JOHN SMITH.....	"	28	26	..	..	..	..	..	13	39
" JOHN DAVIS.....	"	13	10	..	..	1	..	..	..	11

Those Members marked † retire, but Messrs. Hackett and Wrench are eligible for re-election. Mr. Kent does not seek re-election.  
\* Ill twelve times.

## NOMINATIONS FOR GENERAL COMMITTEE.

The following gentlemen were nominated at the last Quarterly Meeting:—

Nominee.	Nominator.	Seconder.
Mr. A. E. HACKETT .....	Mr. Geo. Bennett.....	Mr. A. J. Johnson.
" JOSEPH WRENCH.....	" E. Chapman .....	" S. Brant.
" " " .....	" W. Gibson .....	" G. T. Leafe.

# THE QUARTERLY MEETING

WILL BE HELD IN THE

**Town Hall, on Wednesday, December 7th, 1921.**

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**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.**

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

## **AGENDA.**

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Confirmation of Minutes of the last Quarterly Meeting.</li> <li>2. Report of Committee.</li> <li>3. Recommendations of the Committee. That the Society subscribe:—             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Four Months' Bread, free of charge, to the Tamworth Hospital.</li> <li>(b) £4. 4s. to the Birmingham General Hospital.</li> <li>(c) £2. 2s. to the Birmingham and Midland Ear and Throat Hospital.</li> <li>(d) £1. 1s. to the St. John Ambulance Brigade.</li> <li>(e) £5 to the Fund of the Co-operative Union Limited for the relief of Famine in Russia and Georgia.</li> </ul> </li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Elections:—             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Arbitrators.</li> <li>(b) Auditors.</li> <li>(c) Scrutineer.</li> <li>(d) Declaration of Members nominated to General Committee.</li> <li>(e) One Member to the General Committee.</li> </ul> </li> <li>5. Nomination of Three Members to serve on the Educational Committee, Messrs. C. A. Jeffcoate, Wm. Jackson, and John Davis being the retiring Members.</li> <li>6. Reports of Delegates:—             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>C.W.S. Divisional Meeting at Lincoln.</li> </ul> </li> </ol> |
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# Committee's Report.

FELLOW-MEMBERS,

We have pleasure in submitting to you the 140th Quarterly Report for your consideration.

**The Sales** for the Quarter have been £68,545, an increase upon last Quarter of £430, but a decrease upon the corresponding Quarter of last year of £29,243.

The cost of living, according to the Ministry of Labour figures for October, 1920, was 164 per cent above pre-war, while for October, 1921, they stood at 110 per cent. The weekly average of Purchasing Members is 14s. 11d., as against 18s. for last Half Year, and 21s. 10d. for the corresponding Quarter of last year.

**Expenses.**—Unfortunately the reduced sales have not been accompanied by a corresponding reduction in some of the items of Expenses, namely: Rents, rates, taxes, insurances, postages, gas, electricity, and railway charges.

**Membership.**—The Membership stands as follows:—

Last Half Year .....	7,215
New Members .....	118
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	7,333
Less Removals .....	275
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	7,058

You will observe that there is a decrease upon last Half Year of 157, but we would point out that 204 accounts have had to be cleared, as the holders had ceased to trade. Therefore, the Net Increase would really be 47 for the Quarter.

**Bread Output.**—The Bread Output for the Quarter was 74,177 stones, a decrease upon the previous Quarter of 7,610 stones, and a decrease upon the corresponding Quarter of last year of 3,854 stones.

We have recently appointed a new Bakery Manager, and we trust there will be no reason for you to take your bread trade away from your own Society, as our loaf is **the best**.

**Interim Dividend.**—We recommend an Interim Dividend of 9d. in the £ of sales, and this will be paid in the Baths and Institute on December 8th, 9th, and 10th, 1921.

**Oil.**—The Oil Lorry is now running on the road, and up to the present a good trade has been done. This should prove a great convenience to Members, and we trust the service will be appreciated by increased trade in that commodity.

**Fish.**—We have had to make a change in the management of your Fish Department, and we believe, now that it is under good control, you need have no fear in placing orders for all your requirements for Christmas, which will receive the best possible attention, and primest Game and Poultry will be supplied at reasonable prices.

**Shares.**—It is gratifying to know that the Share Capital of the Society is being maintained. The amount at the beginning of the Quarter was £147,338. 0s. 8d., and at the end £146,927.

The Small Savings at the beginning was £5,278. 0s. 8d., while at the end it stood at £5,280. 6s. 2d.

When the state of the district regarding unemployment and short time is considered in connection with this, it proves that Members still have confidence in their Society and that it is in a sound and stable condition.

In closing, we express the wish that trade depression will soon lift, and that our Members will then take the opportunity of spending all their money at their own shops, which means they will get the best value always.

With best wishes for a Happy Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year,

We remain, yours faithfully,

*per pro* The Committee,

FREDK. S. WHARTON, Secretary.

**Educational Committee's Account for the Half Year, from January 10th to July 16th, 1921.**

INCOME.		£	s.	d.	EXPENDITURE.		£	s.	d.
To Cash on Deposit, January 10th, 1921 .....		1	15	10	By Due to Secretary.....		9	19	9
" Grant for Half Year ended January, 1921.....		157	17	6	" <i>Wheatsheaf, Co-operative News, Circles, &amp;c.</i> .....		123	1	0
" Rent of Rooms and Piano .....		122	9	6	" Children's Galas .....		34	6	
" Advertisements in <i>Wheatsheaf</i> .....		35	1	8	" " Classes .....		8	5	6
" Sale of Literature .....		0	7	10	" Lectures and Artistes .....		9	1	0
" Interest and Dividend .....		0	18	11	" Rent of Rooms and Piano.....		12	8	0
" Hire of Sick Appliances .....		2	15	3	" Delegation .....		7	9	6
					" Printing and Advertising .....		6	1	6
					" Librarian .....		1	19	0
					" Repairs .....		2	14	6
					" Cleaning—Attendance and Material .....		52	19	0
					" Coke, Gas, and Electricity .....		15	7	7
					" Taxes and Rates .....		3	15	0
					" Secretary's Fee, Postage, and Sundries .....		3	0	0
							290	7	8
					" In Pass Book, July 16th, 1921 .....		20	3	5
					" In hand, July 16th, 1921 .....		10	15	5
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		£321	6	6			£321	6	6



# To the Tamworth Industrial Co-operative Society Limited.

## AUTHORITY TO WITHDRAW DIVIDEND.

I, the undersigned, hereby give notice to withdraw my Dividend due for the Quarter ended October 15th, 1921, and I hereby authorise you to pay the same to the bearer of this Voucher.

Signed .....

Date .....

Witness .....

(To be used where member is unable to write.)

Address of Witness .....

RECEIVED the sum of ..... pounds ..... shillings ..... pence  
this 8th, 9th, 10th day of December, 1921.

Signature of Receiver .....

Share No. ....

£ ..... s. .... d.

Members are requested to  
produce their Pass Cards  
at the time of payment.

### TIMES OF PAYMENT.

Thursday..10 a.m. to 12 noon.	2 p.m. to 4 p.m.	6 p.m. to 7 p.m.
Friday.....10 " 12 "	2 " 4 "	6 " 7 "
Saturday..10 " 12 "	2 " 4 "	6 " 7 "

To the Tamworth Industrial Co-operative Society Limited.

## NOTICE OF ADDRESS.

Sirs,  
I beg to advise you that my present address is:—

Name .....

Street .....

Town or Village .....

Share No. ....

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



## Here's help in your Christmas Gift selection!

**F**OR Grown-ups and little folk we are now showing a very fine stock of things suitable for Christmas Gift giving. There are endless suggestions in Drapery, Millinery, Furnishing, and, of course, **TOYS**—all of them really acceptable presents. ✱ Your Christmas expenses will be far lower than usual if you purchase from us.

Fur Sets Eiderdowns  
Necklets :: Jumpers  
Dressing Cases  
All Leather Goods  
Crockery Ornaments

**Tamworth Industrial Co-operative  
Society Limited, 5, Colehill, Tamworth.**





**DECORATED CAKES,**  
from 2/3 per lb.  
**FRUIT & PLAIN CAKES,**  
from 2/- per lb.

**PLUM PUDDINGS:**  
Our own make.

**MINCE PIES** and every  
kind of **FANCY** and  
**PLAIN CAKES.**

**Finest DRIED FRUITS.**

**PRESERVE FRUITS.**

**CHOCOLATES:**  
All varieties.

## Christmas Goodies in plenty for you.

**C**AKES, Confectionery, Dried and  
Crystallised Fruits, Nuts, and heaps  
of other good things for Christmas.  
These are in our stocks now—fresh and  
of the finest quality. You will save a  
great deal of money by purchasing all  
your Christmas fare from us.



**TAMWORTH INDUSTRIAL CO-OPERATIVE  
SOCIETY LIMITED :: 5, Colehill, TAMWORTH.**



# Things "To Give"

## —at Christmas.

EVERY Department of the Society that can do so is displaying things suited for Christmas Gifts. Here your gift problem is easily solved. A walk round the various Departments will suggest acceptable presents for all your friends of all ages, and the very reasonable prices will please you.

MECHANICAL TOYS and GAMES.  
BOOKS FOR THE CHILDREN.  
TROUSER PRESSES and STRETCHERS.  
OVERCOATS, } ALL PRICES TO  
HATS, SHIRTS. } SUIT.



**Tamworth Industrial Co-operative  
Society Ltd., 5, Colehill, Tamworth**

***For  
Your  
Special  
Notice.***

**Clothing Club Payments** can be applied to pay for Coal delivered in loads.

**Potatoes** from our own Farms, delivered in hundredweights and half-hundredweights.—Cheapest in the Trade.

**Confectionery** of every description can be obtained from the vanmen upon every day of the week.

**SPECIALITIES.**

MILK BREAD.	BUN LOAVES.	HOVIS BREAD.
Dr. ALLINSON'S.	FARMHOUSE.	CHRISTMAS CAKES.
	BIRTHDAY CAKES.	FANCIES.

*Send Postcard to  
Secretary with your  
instructions.*



# NOTICES.

*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, and Accident. 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 14th, 1922, and Share Books should be sent in by the 6th day of month following.

**Dividends will be paid at the Central on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, December 8th, 9th, and 10th,** between the hours of 10 a.m. to 12 noon, 2 to 4 p.m., and 6 to 7 p.m. Members are requested to bring their Pass Cards for production at the time of payment.

**Children should not be sent to draw Dividends.**



# YOUR CHRISTMAS DINNER.



**W**HETHER you intend having Poultry or Meat for Christmas come to us for your requirements. The best English and Foreign Mutton, Lamb, Beef, and Pork has been secured by us for you, and Poultry of every kind. This year prices are very much lower than they were last.

**TURKEYS, GEESSE, DUCKS,  
PHEASANTS, CHICKENS.**

FROM OUR OWN FARMS.

**PORK PIES  
SAUSAGES  
MEATS**

**THE BEST QUALITY.  
GUARANTEED WEIGHT.**

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