

NOTE.—QUARTERLY MEETING, ASSEMBLY HALL, COLEHILL, JUNE 2nd, 1926, at 7-15 p.m.

TAMWORTH INDUSTRIAL CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY

LIMITED.

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

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

Register No. 2582, Staffs.
Telephone: Tamworth 160.
Telegrams: "KOHOP, TAMWORTH."

The 158th

QUARTERLY REPORT

FOR THE
QUARTER ENDED
APRIL 10th, 1926.

BANKERS:
CO-OPERATIVE WHOLESALE SOCIETY LIMITED,
MANCHESTER.



CENTRAL PREMISES.

OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

Chairman : MR. GEO. NEWSTEAD, J.P.

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

Auditors : CO-OPERATIVE WHOLESALE SOCIETY LIMITED, 1, Balloon Street, Manchester.

Arbitrators : H. J. FAUSSET, Esq., M.D., and A. E. RICHARDSON, Esq., M.D.

GENERAL COMMITTEE AND THEIR ATTENDANCES.

NAME.	Time Expires.	GENERAL.		Finance.	Trade.	Farm.	Building.			TOTAL.
		Possible.	Actual.							
*Mr. ALBERT E. HACKETT (Ill 5 times)...	June, 1926.	25	19	12	...	2	5	...	...	38
* " GEORGE NEWSTEAD	"	26	19	9	6	8	5	...	...	47
* " WALTER J. FRENCH.....	"	26	25	9	3	7	2	...	...	46
" GEO. SHUTTLEWORTH	Dec., 1926.	26	26	...	12	4	...	...	...	42
" WILLIAM JACKSON (Ill twice)	"	26	23	11	...	4	...	...	...	38
" GEO. H. SMITH	"	26	25	...	12	4	5	...	...	46
" HENRY SANDERS	June, 1927.	26	25	11	...	3	...	...	...	39
" JOHN SMITH	"	26	21	...	7	3	...	...	...	31
" HENRY WALTON	"	26	24	...	10	5	...	...	...	39
" JOHN DAVIS.....	Dec., 1927.	26	26	6	...	13	5	...	...	50
" JOSEPH WRENCH	"	26	25	...	4	11	...	...	...	40
" GEO. H. FARMER.....	"	26	24	...	2	11	...	...	...	37

* Retiring Members.

NOMINATIONS FOR GENERAL COMMITTEE.

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

Nominee.	Proposer.	Seconder.	Nominee.	Proposer.	Seconder.
*Mr. W. J. FRENCH	Mr. F. Sketchley. Mr. A. Morrall. Mrs. F. Grant. Mr. S. Aucott. Mr. M. Whitehouse. Mr. A. Fairfield. Mr. S. Smith. Mr. J. S. Smith. Mr. L. Clifford. Mrs. H. Day.	Mr. Rd. Goodwin. Mr. F. T. Smith. Mrs. S. Florendine. Mr. Jas. Jackson. Mr. T. Eaton. Mr. G. Davis. Mr. E. A. Homer. Mr. H. Forester. Mrs. H. Collins. Mr. C. Harris.	*Mr. A. E. HACKETT.	Mr. W. T. Wright. Mr. G. Ross. Miss D. M. Starkey. Mr. P. Findley. Mr. E. Coley. Mr. W. Keen. Mr. S. Brant.	Mr. W. H. Taylor. Mr. W. Keen. Mrs. M. H. Starkey. Mrs. L. Findley. Mr. S. Brant. Mr. A. Findley. Mr. S. Dunkley.
Mr. THOS. GENDERS.			*Mr. GEO. NEWSTEAD.		

* Retiring Members, but are eligible for re-election.

Voting will take place at the General Office on Wednesday, June 2nd, 1926, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 12 noon, and at the Assembly Hall, 5, Colehill, Tamworth, between 2 and 8 p.m. Voting Papers will be supplied at these times, but the SHAREHOLDER'S CARD MUST BE PRODUCED.

THE QUARTERLY MEETING

WILL BE HELD IN THE

Assembly Hall, Colehill, on Wednesday, June 2nd, 1926.

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 **7-15 p.m.**, when the following and any other Business that may transpire will be brought forward :—

AGENDA.

1. Confirmation of Minutes of the last Quarterly Meeting.
2. Report of Committee.
3. Recommendations of the Committee:—That the Society donate:
 - (a) £2. 2s. to the Birmingham and Midland Skin and Urinary Hospital.
 - (b) £2. 2s. to the Birmingham and Midland Hospital for Nervous Diseases.
 - (c) £1. 1s. to the Fazeley and Drayton Nursing Association.
 - (d) £1. 1s. to the Wilnecote Nursing Association.
 - (e) That an up-to-date Dairy and Shop be erected, with a Bottling Plant, as per plans and details to be submitted to this meeting.
4. Notice of Motion from the Direct Representation Committee:—
That the Society provide the necessary funds to meet the electoral and other expenses in connection with Local Representation; also to provide any grant necessary in the Co-operative Union's scheme for Direct Parliamentary Representation, the sum of £50 to be placed at the disposal of the local Direct Representation Committee.
5. Election of Three Members to the Direct Representation Committee.
6. Election of Scrutineer (Mr. W. S. Jackson retires).
7. Nominations for Three Members to serve on the Educational Committee. Messrs. T. Leedham, John Davis, and G. H. Farmer are the retiring Members.
8. Reports of Delegates:—
C.W.S. Divisional Meeting at Hucknall Torkard.
Stafford District Conference at Wolverhampton.
9. Declaration of the Election of Three Members to the General Committee.

PROGRESS OF THE SOCIETY FROM 1887 TO JANUARY, 1926.

Year.	Mem-ber-ship.	Sales.		Share Capital.		Trade Surplus.		Depre-ciation.		Interest.		Reserve and Insur-ance Funds.		Dividend.		Bonus to Employés.	Grants to Education.	Charitable Purposes.
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	Allotted.	Average per £.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1887.....	254	2704 17 5½	833 2 1	401 9 5	6 10 0	7 12 0	60 1 0	242 0 9	2 0	....	5 17 6	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1888.....	426	8744 15 3	1595 16 6	600 13 8	22 11 0	45 8 9	89 17 6	573 14 3	1 10½	2 12 5½	4 7 0	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
1889.....	479	9846 15 10	1916 4 7	791 10 8	49 3 1	80 7 8	109 4 6	725 18 0	1 7½	11 7 9	13 13 10	3 3 0	....	....	....	....	....	....
1890.....	505	10681 7 5½	2586 4 8½	950 18 0	67 0 3	108 2 7	144 11 3	890 18 4	1 9	20 10 8½	12 17 0	1 1 0	....	....	....	....	....	....
1891.....	672	14435 17 9	3643 0 8½	1348 7 10	98 9 3	146 0 8	194 0 10	1274 9 10	1 10½	17 17 5	20 10 0	1 0 0	....	....	....	....	....	....
1892.....	830	16858 12 0	4480 11 4	1514 15 2	167 17 5	188 4 10	255 18 1	1449 16 3	1 9½	20 16 11	21 0 0	2 2 8	....	....	....	....	....	....
1893.....	908	19575 19 5	5630 11 5½	1583 8 1	237 4 7	228 17 6	334 12 3	1495 13 7	1 7½	24 2 6	23 0 0	1 1 0	....	....	....	....	....	....
1894.....	960	21064 1 4½	5823 11 10	1943 1 6	245 19 6	307 0 11	402 1 9	1655 1 0	1 9½	24 18 8	24 5 0	3 3 0	....	....	....	....	....	....
1895.....	1086	24161 13 7½	7084 14 0	2478 3 0	269 5 2	334 9 9	536 13 10	2182 19 9	2 0	29 1 5	25 4 0	7 17 6	....	....	....	....	....	....
1896.....	1171	25773 4 9	8902 19 4½	2486 3 0	326 15 9	404 6 0	608 12 6	2309 12 9	1 11½	31 6 9	28 10 0	3 3 0	....	....	....	....	....	....
1897.....	1398	31495 12 5½	12302 7 7½	3350 11 6	420 10 5	506 10 1	691 2 6	2570 1 10	1 9½	36 12 10	27 15 0	9 14 6	....	....	....	....	....	....
1898.....	1590	37097 15 0½	15185 9 6	4319 0 6	491 15 3	647 0 8	783 8 10	4334 3 7	2 0	57 3 9	50 12 10	16 10 6	....	....	....	....	....	....
1899.....	1723	40423 2 10½	17787 10 6	4397 14 4	597 15 11	757 14 7	1042 19 10	3615 4 4	1 10½	49 18 5	40 3 0	11 16 6	....	....	....	....	....	....
1900.....	1869	44768 19 7	19541 17 6	5345 3 4	747 7 6	808 12 3	1142 0 8	4198 14 3	2 0	56 1 8	45 6 1	43 12 11	....	....	....	....	....	....
1901.....	2040	49245 12 11½	20429 3 10½	5845 4 9	787 5 6	868 6 9	1366 12 3	4755 5 5	2 0	62 8 8	52 4 1	80 17 10	....	....	....	....	....	....
1902.....	2320	55450 16 7½	23719 0 2½	7101 16 0	723 3 11	945 1 6	1448 10 10	5558 16 0	2 2	74 2 7½	68 1 0	42 5 6	....	....	....	....	....	....
1903.....	2483	64233 3 2	26366 1 2	8112 9 4	747 17 8	1056 7 5	1790 8 6	7785 0 0	2 6	88 14 9	100 18 1	37 15 0	....	....	....	....	....	....
1904.....	2800	70789 11 4	28595 2 0	9243 11 1	839 0 10	1248 0 9	1867 8 7	8512 10 0	2 6	108 15 9	120 7 6	38 15 6	....	....	....	....	....	....
1905.....	2945	71010 3 8½	29427 15 11	8738 7 10	835 0 9	1315 12 5	1990 19 5	8696 5 0	2 6	92 3 7	109 4 9	54 11 ½	....	....	....	....	....	....
1906.....	3070	76378 19 0	30561 8 1	19643 3 10	843 3 9	1351 8 10	1213 2 1	8963 4 2	2 5½	98 10 10	120 0 6	53 6 6	....	....	....	....	....	....
1907.....	3178	80719 3 7	32926 16 9	10635 2 7	837 0 11	1469 9 8	2155 4 7	9762 10 0	2 6	106 5 0	132 18 9	46 18 3	....	....	....	....	....	....
1908.....	3320	87519 1 11	35391 12 8	10240 16 4	1020 10 8	1606 8 1	1990 12 7	9965 13 4	2 4	112 16 3	129 5 0	59 6 1	....	....	....	....	....	....
1909.....	3550	88622 2 5	36592 16 8	10290 4 9	1019 1 9	1887 7 0	1942 3 1	9585 0 0	2 2½	113 14 8	128 9 3	69 0 9	....	....	....	....	....	....
1910.....	3580	89181 16 1	37119 15 9	11660 13 1	953 15 0	1893 17 6	2201 5 0	10633 10 0	2 5½	117 0 0	144 10 9	45 8 9	....	....	....	....	....	....
1911.....	3918	101055 3 9½	41039 14 5½	14061 1 11	1310 12 8	1805 18 11	3019 10 0	12305 15 0	2 6	134 11 5	175 15 3	60 5 11	....	....	....	....	....	....
1912.....	4200	108679 9 9	44056 19 11½	13509 6 9	1258 12 1	1973 1 10	3070 8 4	12994 11 8	2 5½	141 6 11	168 17 6	44 18 6	....	....	....	....	....	....
1913.....	4535	117339 16 8	50971 12 8½	14468 1 9	1360 11 3	2193 5 7	3384 18 7	8620 8 5	2 6	152 7 7	180 17 5	44 8 2	....	....	....	....	....	....
1914.....	4900	129553 8 10	56754 8 0½	16769 6 8	1538 8 1	2531 18 9	3630 8 5	15135 0 0	2 5	170 5 0	209 18 6	93 13 1	....	....	....	....	....	....
1915.....	5720	154908 6 10½	65512 4 5	15430 18 7	1621 6 6	2563 13 6	4219 8 1	14849 9 5	1 11½	193 10 1	192 17 6	103 1 3	....	....	....	....	....	....
1916.....	5506	164716 4 9	71446 4 10½	15631 14 0	1715 0 2	3231 17 6	3818 17 10	14857 10 0	1 9½	204 9 11	197 9 6	151 6 9	....	....	....	....	....	....
1917.....	5749	195600 12 1	77420 15 9½	14037 6 10	2479 2 8	3523 8 5	4445 1 3	13075 16 8	1 3½	232 0 1	172 3 9	380 3 4	....	....	....	....	....	....
1918 October, 1917, to January, 1918	5800	51283 4 3	79626 13 3½	3134 18 9	481 8 3	893 14 11	4933 9 6	3162 10 0	1 3	59 19 0	39 3 6	123 7 2	....	....	....	....	....	....
1918.....	5900	212297 14 2	94292 8 10½	15157 5 6	2143 1 0	3876 11 9	4903 15 3	14074 14 2	1 5½	174 8 0	202 16 5	590 17 1	....	....	....	....	....	....
1919.....	5129	290029 11 4	128981 18 9	23971 11 9	2089 18 8	5307 4 1	8068 2 9	17816 9 9	1 6	....	299 12 9	344 18 1	....	....	....	....	....	....
1920.....	7085	381175 8 5	155928 11 8	27474 14 8	2807 18 10	6906 15 2	10001 6 9	12900 0 0	1 5	....	345 18 6	209 0 7	....	....	....	....	....	....
1921.....	7284	290094 16 2	145089 6 3	13126 8 8	3954 17 6	7494 15 1	6920 0 9	12552 18 7	0 10½	....	164 2 0	178 12 9	....	....	....	....	....	....
1922.....	7365	229380 3 6	137545 3 0	9948 12 4	2123 15 6	7297 10 9	6946 19 4	8373 15 0	0 9½	....	124 7 0	128 4 10	....	....	....	....	....	....
1923.....	7515	247242 7 7	142989 13 8	15413 6 11	3926 2 6	7384 14 6	7191 18 10	12897 16 5	1 0½	....	208 5 6	155 0 2	....	....	....	....	....	....
1924.....	7592	266047 17 4	154860 4 10	21516 11 4	4025 2 6	7667 14 0	7415 0 0	16386 2 0	1 3½	....	275 8 4	245 19 0	....	....	....	....	....	....
1925.....	7647	279182 12 4	163984 18 9	20623 11 4	4174 0 9	8050 10 5	658 9 6	18220 16 6	1 4	....	264 5 7	212 19 3	....	....	....	....	....	....
.....	.....	4256815 10 6	.....	389280 6 4	49000 11 9	89465 6 4	.....	325402 9 3	.....	.....	4670 19 11	3649 7 3	....	....	....	....	....	....

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 April 10th, 1926, 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 3rd, 4th, and 5th day of June, 1926.

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
" "	" "	" "
Saturday ..10	" 12	" 2
" "	" "	" 4
" "	" "	" 6
" "	" "	" 7
" "	" "	" "

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.

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.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

FELLOW-MEMBERS.

Our Report for the 158th Quarter is submitted to you herewith, and we hope the same will meet with your approbation.

SALES.—The Sales for the Quarter have been £70,633, as compared with £73,687 for the last Quarter and £70,240 for the corresponding period of last year. The Sales by Departments are as follows:—

	QUARTER ENDING				QUARTER ENDING		
	April, 1926.	Jan., 1926.	April, 1925.		April, 1926.	Jan., 1926.	April, 1925.
	£	£	£		£	£	£
Grocery, Central.....	27342	27679	27452	Greengrocery	1261	1127	1418
Dordon	3113	3447	3285	Dairy.....	2135	2111	2032
Butchery	7751	7850	6987	Bakery	14564	14516	13288
Coal	1594	1316	1375	Boot Repairing	448	430	408
Boots	1379	1649	1210	Millinery	386	716	295
Drapery	1458	1928	1301	Chemistry	1450	1393	1453
Outfitting	1549	2482	1712	Fishmongery	978	997	909
Furnishing	2151	2343	1882	Oil and Sundries	760	814	715
Confectionery Shop.....	674	743	741				
Provender.....	1540	2146	1779		£70633	£73687	£70240

Although the Sales do not appear to have increased much, we think they are satisfactory in view of the percentage in the cost of living, as compared with a year ago.

MEMBERSHIP.—This is as follows:—

At the beginning of the Quarter	7647
Admitted during the Quarter.....	157

	7804
Less Removals, &c.	101

7703

MEMBERS' PURCHASES.—These equal 14s. 1½d. per week, as compared with 14s. 3½d. per week for last Quarter and 14s. 2½d. per week for the corresponding period of last year.

We should be gratified to see them 20s. per week, and hope each individual Member will make an effort to assist us in realising our aim of £300,000 for 1926.

The purchases by districts are as follows:—

District.	Purchases.		Average per Member.	District.	Purchases.		Average per Member.
	£	s. d.			£	s. d.	
Canwell	213	17 6	14 5 2	Glascote Heath.....	689	12 6	10 2 10
Syrescote	88	15 0	12 13 7	Dordon	4773	2 6	9 10 6
Hall End	429	17 6	11 6 3	Coton	337	7 6	9 7 5
Hurley.....	1513	5 0	11 2 6	Dosthill	1752	7 6	9 6 5
Hopwas.....	1219	0 0	10 19 7	Bolehall	787	12 6	9 3 2
Cliff.....	74	17 6	10 13 11	Austrey.....	420	15 0	9 2 11
Drayton	701	7 6	10 12 6	Amington.....	3548	15 0	9 0 3
Shutlington.....	658	15 0	10 5 10	Mount Pleasant.....	531	12 6	9 0 2

District.	Purchases.		Average per Member.	District.	Purchases.		Average per Member.
	£	s. d.			£	s. d.	
Noman's Heath.....	206	7 6	8 19 5	Twogates	1495	12 6	8 2 7
Packington	44	15 0	8 19 0	Kingsbury	2036	5 0	8 0 4
Clifton C'mpville.....	346	15 0	8 17 10	Orton-on-the-H.....	95	17 6	7 19 9
Ashby Road	538	7 6	8 16 6	Hints, &c.....	756	5 0	7 19 2
Hockley	264	5 0	8 16 2	Kettlebrook	3468	15 0	7 19 1
Warton	958	7 6	8 15 10	Tamworth	14527	0 0	7 18 11
Thorpe	166	7 6	8 15 1	Bonehill	505	2 6	7 17 10
Edingale	326	10 0	8 11 10	Elford.....	537	10 0	7 14 10
Harlaston and Portway.....	427	12 6	8 11 0	Comberford	402	7 6	7 9 0
Wood End	1123	2 6	8 10 2	Newton Regis.....	503	12 6	7 6 0
Birchmoor	1215	2 6	8 8 9	Wigginton	851	0 0	7 5 6
Middleton	275	15 0	8 7 1	Freasley	108	17 6	7 5 2
Alvecote	442	7 6	8 6 11	Wilnecote.....	3993	5 0	7 0 1
Bodymoor He'th.....	283	10 0	8 6 9	Fazeley.....	2818	12 6	7 0 1
Glascote	5400	0 0	8 6 5	Statfold	131	12 6	6 5 4
Polesworth	3888	10 0	8 5 1	Lea Marston.....	47	10 0	5 18 9
Haunton	81	10 0	8 3 0	Belgrave	451	0 0	5 10 0
				Seckington.....	105	15 0	5 5 9

BREAD OUTPUT.—This was 77,244 stones, as against 77,370 stones for last Quarter and 75,802 stones for the corresponding period of last year.

Our Bread is **THE BEST** it is possible to procure, and we venture to suggest to any Members who are not eating it that they are missing a real treat. It is guaranteed of the highest quality and good value, and is kept much better by being wrapped (no extra charge made for wrapping).

INTERIM DIVIDEND.—This we recommend being 1s. 4d. in the £ on Members' Purchases, and it will be paid out in the Assembly Hall, 5, Colehill, Tamworth, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, June 3rd, 4th, and 5th.

FARMS.—The new Cow Byre at Arkall Farm is practically complete, and this should prove a great acquisition to the Society and also to our Members in assuring them of a supply of pure milk from a tested herd of cattle free from tuberculosis.

OFFICE.—We have had a small alteration made to our General Offices without incurring a great cost. This will benefit the health of the staff and give greater efficiency both with regard to the cubic air space and lighting also, both of which effects a great economy in the interests of the Society and our Members.

We thank you for the support you have given to the Society in the past, and thank you in anticipation of your assistance in the future.

Yours fraternally,

Per pro the Committee,

FREDK. S. WHARTON, SECRETARY.

NOTICES.

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

CHRISTMAS CLUB.—Deposits received at any time in any Department or the Office from January 1st to December 1st. Allowances in goods as follows: For 5s. deposited, goods allowed to 5s. 3d.; for 10s. deposited, goods allowed to 10s. 6d.; for 15s. deposited, goods allowed to 15s. 9d.; for 20s. deposited, goods allowed to 21s. Further particulars given on application.

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 1d. to 10s. 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 4s. remaining on deposit for three months.

LOANS.—Deposits received at any time during office hours. Interest at the rate of £4. 10s. per cent per annum.

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 Dividend 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 or 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 money.

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 July 12th, 1926, and Share Books should be sent in by the 6th day of month following.

DIVIDEND WILL BE PAID AT THE CENTRAL ON THURSDAY, FRIDAY, AND SATURDAY, JUNE 3rd, 4th, and 5th, 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 DIVIDEND.

Our Aim for 1926—

£300,000 SALES

More Sales mean More Dividend.

The Sales for Quarter ending April 10th, 1926, were £70,633.

HELP US TO HELP YOU

By purchasing all your goods from your own Shops, thereby increasing your dividend.

