## FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2000

Company number 30736



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# COMPANY INFORMATION AT 29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2000

Incorporated on 31<sup>st</sup> January 1890 Company number 30736

**CHAIRMAN** 

M O Marriott

MANAGING DIRECTOR

W E Lilley

**OTHER DIRECTORS** 

G M Lilley

G S Minto

**SECRETARY** 

S L Jobson

REGISTERED OFFICE

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**AUDITORS** 

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# REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED $29^{TH}$ JANUARY 2000

The directors submit to the members the one hundred and eleventh annual report and audited accounts for the 52 weeks ended 29<sup>th</sup> January 2000.

### Principal activity

The principal activity of the business continued to be the operation of department stores.

#### Review of business

The company made a profit for the period of £3,817,238.

#### **Future developments**

Following disposal of the company's principal trading store in Market Street, Cambridge, the company will continue to operate and promote the Saffron Walden and Great Shelford stores and the photographic department in Green Street, Cambridge, together with the warehouse at Mercers Row, Cambridge.

#### Dividends

No dividends are declared in the period.

#### Fixed assets

Movements in tangible fixed assets are show in note 12. During the year the company disposed of its interest in freehold land and buildings (Market Street, Cambridge) for £9,275,000 gross proceeds.

#### **Directors**

The directors who held office during the period and their interest in the share capital were as follows: -

		Ordinar	
***		29 <sup>th</sup> January 2000	-
W E Lilley	- beneficial	2,420	2,420
	- non-beneficial	300	300
G M Lilley	- beneficial	1,285	1,285
	- non-beneficial	-	-
M O Marrio	ott	-	-
P E Richard	s (resigned 30 <sup>th</sup> September 1999)	-	-
G S Minto		-	-

The following director being eligible offers himself for re-election at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, W E Lilley.

#### REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

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#### Political and charitable contributions

There were no political contributions made in the period, and charitable contributions amounted to £196.

#### **Auditors**

Griffin Chapman have indicated their willingness to continue in office and a resolution for their re-appointment will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

D B Cain, a partner in Griffin Chapman, the auditors to the company, is a co-trustee for 2,000 ordinary shares. He is also a trustee with W E Lilley for 300 ordinary shares. To avoid any possible conflict of interest, another partner of the firm is responsible for the company's audit.

By order of the board,

S L Jobson

Company Secretary

3/st October, 2000

## STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2000

We are required under company law to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements we are required to: -

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates;
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

We are also responsible for: -

- keeping proper accounting records;
- safeguarding the company's assets;
- taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud.

On behalf of the board,

W.F. Lilley

31st October, 2000

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W EADEN LILLEY & CO LIMITED

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF W EADEN LILLEY & CO LIMITED

FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2000

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 21 which have been prepared under the historical cost

convention (as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets) and the accounting policies set out on page 9

and 10.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 4, the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is

our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our

opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An

audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial

statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in

the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the

company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered

necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial

statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In

forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial

statements.

**Opinion** 

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs at 29th

January 2000 and of its profit for the period then ended and have been properly reflected in accordance with the

Companies Act 1985.

Griffin Chapman

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

REGISTERED AUDITORS

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# PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED $29^{TH}$ JANUARY 2000

		Continuing	Discontinued		
		operations	operations	Total	Total
		2000	2000	2000	1999
	Note	£	£	£	£
TURNOVER	2	1,843,349	2,202,714	4,046,063	6,747,103
Cost of sales		1,310,671	1,636,474	2,947,145	4,264,618
GROSS PROFIT		532,678	566,240	1,098,918	2,482,485
Administrative expenses		(1,064,685)	(1,101,976)	(2,166,661)	(2,296,382)
OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT	3	(532,007)	(535,736)	(1,067,743)	186,103
Other interest receivable and similar income	6			329,103	5,851
Interest payable	7			(18,231)	(146,317)
Exceptional item	8			4,576,345	-
Taxation	9			(2,236)	-
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES					-
AFTER TAXATION				3,817,238	45,637
Dividends	10			-	250,000
RETAINED PROFIT/(LOSS) FOR THE					
FINANCIAL PERIOD	20			3,817,238	(204,363)

Movements in reserves are shown in notes 20 to 23.

There were no acquisitions during the current and previous period.

There are no recognised gains or losses in 2000 or 1999 other than those reflected in the profit and loss above.

NOTE OF HISTORICAL COST PROFITS AND LOSSES	2000	1999
	£	£
Reported profit on ordinary activities after taxation	3,817,238	45,637
Realisation of property revaluation gains of previous years	1,743,678	-
Historical cost profit on ordinary activities after taxation	5,560,916	45,637
		<del></del>
Historical cost profit/(loss) for the period retained after taxation and dividends	5,560,916	(204,363)

## BALANCE SHEET AS AT 29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2000

	Note	29 <sup>TH</sup> J	JANUARY 2000	30 <sup>TH</sup> .	IANUARY 1999
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Intangible assets	11	-		-	
Tangible assets	12	880,293		5,979,586	
Investments	13	12,040		12,040	
			892,333		5,991,626
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	14	282,820		1,022,251	
Debtors	15	492,801		532,787	
Cash at bank and in hand		7,601,954		67,776	
		8,377,575		1,622,814	
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING					
DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	16	365,211		1,893,943	
NET CURRENT		<del></del>			
ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)			8,012,364		(271,129)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT					
LIABILITIES			8,904,697		5,720,497
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING					
<b>DUE AFTER MORE THAN</b>					
ONE YEAR	17		23,344		656,382
NET ASSETS			8,881,353		5,064,115
CAPITAL AND RESERVES			**************************************		
Share capital	19		100,000		100,000
Profit and loss account	20		8,774,733		3,213,817
Capital redemption reserve	21		6,620		6,620
Revaluation reserve	22		-		1,743,678
	23		8,881,353		5,064,115

Approved by the board of directors on 3/s1 October, 2000

W E Lilley

Director

# CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2000

	Note	29 <sup>TH</sup> J	ANUARY 2000	$30^{TH}J_{c}$	ANUARY 1999
		£	£	£	£
Net cash (outflow)/inflow from					
operating activities	29		(652,303)		720,556
Returns on investment and servicing of					
finance					
Interest received		264,953		5,851	
Interest paid		(9,436)		(140,402)	
Interest element of finance lease					
rental payments		(8,795)		(5,915)	
	•		246,722		(140,466)
Taxation					
Corporation tax paid		2,237		-	
Advance corporation tax paid		-		10,000	
	•		(2,237)		(10,000)
Capital expenditure and financial					
investment					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(65,518)		(118,247)	
Sale of tangible fixed assets		11,495		4,100	
Acquisitions and disposals			(54,023)		(114,147)
Disposal of freehold property			9,616,882		-
			9,155,041		455,943
Equity dividend paid			(250,000)		(40,000)
			8,905,041		415,943
Financing					
Debt due beyond one year:					
bank loan repayments		(700,000)		(100,000)	
Capital element of finance lease					
rental repayments		(38,299)		(34,443)	
Net cash inflow from financing	-		(738,299)		(134,443)
Increase in cash			8,166,742		281,500

# NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2000

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### a. Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention, as modified by the inclusion of certain freehold properties at revalued amounts.

#### b. Consolidation

The company and its subsidiary company comprise a medium sized group. The company has therefore taken advantage of the exemption conferred by section 248 of the Companies Act 1985 not to prepare group financial statements.

#### c. Turnover

Turnover consists of the retail value (excluding VAT) for goods and services supplied to third parties.

#### d. Depreciation of tangible assets

Depreciation is provide in equal amounts each year in order to write off tangible fixed assets over their estimated useful lives. Estimated useful lives are: -

Leasehold properties

- period of lease

Plant and fittings

-5-25 years

Freehold properties are maintained to a high standard. Any permanent diminution in the value of freehold land and buildings is charged to the profit and loss account as applicable. As a result, the directors consider that the residual value of freehold property is at least equal to its net book value, and any depreciation required by the Companies Act 1985 and SSAP 12 would not be material.

Depreciation commences in the year following addition.

#### e. Amortisation

Amortisation is provided to write off the value of goodwill over 10 years.

#### f. Stocks

Stocks are stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost is computed by deducting the gross profit margin from the selling value of stock.

#### g. Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is only provided to give effect to timing differences to the extent that it is probable that a liability will crystallise. The directors consider that such a provision is not required as the crystallisation of any liability is not envisaged in the foreseeable future.

#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

(CONTINUED)

## FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2000

## 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

#### h. Leased assets

Where assets are financed by a leasing agreement ('finance leases'), the assets are included in the balance sheet at cost less depreciation in accordance with the company's normal accounting policies. The present value of future rentals is shown as a liability. The interest element of rental obligations is charged to the profit and loss account over the period of the lease in proportion to the balance of capital payments outstanding. Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account as incurred.

#### i. Pension scheme

The company pension scheme prior to 6<sup>th</sup> April 1997 was a contracted out final salary scheme which was wound down in the year to 30<sup>th</sup> January 1999. Contributions were based on actuarial advice and charged against profits as incurred.

With effect from 6<sup>th</sup> April 1997, the company pension scheme is a money purchase scheme originally constituted as contracted out but with effect from 6<sup>th</sup> April 1999 contracted in. Contributions are charged against profits as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme.

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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# FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED $29^{\rm TH}$ JANUARY 2000

		29 <sup>TH</sup>	30 <sup>TH</sup>
		JANUARY	<b>JANUARY</b>
		2000	1999
		£	£
2.	TURNOVER		
	Total sales including VAT	7,006,810	11,955,229
	Less: sales of leased departments including VAT	2,995,289	5,346,027
	Sales of our own merchandise and services	4,011,521	6,609,202
	Less: VAT	559,666	899,311
	Sales of our own merchandise and services (excluding VAT)	3,451,855	5,709,891
	Rental from leased departments based on their sales	594,208	1,037,212
		4,046,063	6,747,103
3.	OPERATING (LOSS)/PROFIT		
	This is stated after crediting:		
	Profit on disposal of assets	2,098	2,841
	and after charging:	<del></del>	T117 T017 10 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11
	Depreciation of owned assets	103,390	153,474
	Depreciation of assets held under hire purchase agreement	11,488	11,488
	Amortisation of goodwill	-	22,218
	Rental of leased equipment - plant and equipment	42,685	27,954
	- leasehold properties	286,671	399,050
	Auditors' remuneration	15,000	15,000

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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## FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED $29^{TH}$ JANUARY 2000

		29 <sup>TH</sup>	$30^{TH}$
		JANUARY	JANUARY
		2000	1999
		£	£
4.	DIRECTORS' REMUNERATION		
	Emoluments	156,573	123,422
	Company contributions to money purchase pension scheme	-	7,905
		156,573	131,327

At 29<sup>th</sup> January 2000 there is one director to whom retirement benefits are accruing under a money purchase pension scheme (1999 two directors).

## 5. STAFF COSTS

## Staff costs during the period amounted to:

Wages and salaries	1,383,323	1,510,676
Social security	56,770	74,836
Other pension and employment costs	138,793	31,726
	1,578,886	1,617,238
The average number of employees during the period was as follows:	$N^o$	N°
Sales staff	91	145
Administration	22	37
	113	182

#### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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### FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2000

### 5. STAFF COSTS (CONTINUED)

#### Pension scheme

Prior to 6<sup>th</sup> April 1997 the company operated a contracted out final salary scheme providing benefits for members based on their salary at leaving or on retirement. Members of the scheme ceased to accrue final salary benefits from 6<sup>th</sup> April 1997 and past secure benefits were made paid up. As an alternative all existing plan members were invited to join a new contracted out Money Purchase Section with effect from 6<sup>th</sup> April 1997.

The assets of the schemes are held separately from those of the company, being invested with an insurance company. Contributions to the scheme are charged to the profit and loss account so as to spread the cost of pensions over employees' working lives with the company. The contributions are determined by a qualified actuary on the basis of triennial valuations using the projected unit method. The most recent valuation was at 1<sup>st</sup> April 1997. The assumptions which have the most significant effect on the results of the valuation are those relating to the rate of return on investments, the rates of increases in salaries and pensions, and the future statutory revaluation rate of all deferred benefit. It was assumed that the investment returns would exceed salary increases by on average 2% per annum, that present and future pensions would increase at the rate of 3% per annum and a statutory revaluation rate of 5% per annum for non-guarantee minimum pensions in deferment. The actuarial valuation showed that the market value of the scheme's assets at 1<sup>st</sup> April 1997 was £2,813,000 and that the actuarial value of those assets represented 107% of the benefits that had accrued to members after allowing for expected future increases in earnings.

In the opinion of the actuary at 1<sup>st</sup> April 1997 on an ongoing basis the scheme was fully funded with the assets being sufficient at the valuation date to cover is liabilities assuming the scheme was not wound up. The actuary also considered the position in the event of a notional discontinuance for which purpose the benefits valued were the members transfer values calculated on the minimum funding requirement transfer value basis. On this basis in the opinion of the actuary at 1<sup>st</sup> April 1997 had the scheme been discontinued, the assets would not have been sufficient to cover is liabilities. Active and deferred members benefits in excess of guaranteed maximum pension being 93% covered. During the period the company has made a payment of £100,000 into the scheme to make good the debt on the employer and thereby enabling future transfers to be paid out on an unreduced basis. This payment being on advice of the scheme's actuary sufficient to extinguish the debt on the employer as at 1<sup>st</sup> March 1999.

During the year a decision was made to wind down both company pension schemes, this is being implemented subsequent to the year end (see note 17 Provision for Liabilities and Charges).

The pension charge for the year was £138,793 (1999 £31,726), in addition there were scheme advisors' charges amounting to £23,314 (1999 £31,978).

		29 <sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2000 £	30 <sup>™</sup> JANUARY 1999 £
6.	OTHER INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR INCOME		
	Interest receivable	329,103	5,851
7.	FINANCE COSTS		
	Bank interest	9,436	140,402
	Finance lease interest	8,795	5,915
		18,231	146,317

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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## 8. EXCEPTIONAL ITEM

During the year the company disposed of its interest in freehold land and buildings at Market Street, Cambridge. The exceptional item represents the profit arising on this transaction.

	29 <sup>TH</sup> JANUARY	30 <sup>TH</sup> JANUARY
	2000	1999
	£	£
9. TAXATION		
Corporation tax on profit on ordinary activities at 30.16%	-	-
Under-provision in earlier years	2,236	-
	2,236	
10. DIVIDENDS		
Final dividend proposed	_	250,000
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11. INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Goodwill	
	£	
Cost		
Balance 31st January 1999 and 29th January 2000	222,180	
Amortisation		
Balance 31st January 1999	222,180	
Charge for period	-	
Balance 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2000	222,180	
	**************************************	
Net book value		
At 31st January 1999	-	
At 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2000	-	

The goodwill was the excess of consideration over separate value of assets acquired on the purchase of 'Douglas of Shelford' in August 1988.

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Land and	Plant and	Total
	bullaings	neungs	Total
	£	£	£
Cost/valuation			
Balance 31st January 1999	5,603,495	1,447,116	7,050,611
Additions	-	65,519	65,519
Disposals	(4,730,085)	(770,395)	(5,500,480)
Balance 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2000	873,410	742,240	1,615,650
Depreciation			
Balance 31st January 1999	207,362	863,663	1,071,025
Charge for period	17,889	96,989	114,878
Eliminated on disposals	-	(450,546)	(450,546)
Balance 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2000	225,251	510,106	735,357
Net book value			
At 31st January 1999	5,396,133	583,453	5,979,586
At 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2000	648,159	232,134	880,293
	Balance 31 <sup>st</sup> January 1999 Additions Disposals Balance 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2000  Depreciation Balance 31 <sup>st</sup> January 1999 Charge for period Eliminated on disposals Balance 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2000 Net book value At 31 <sup>st</sup> January 1999	buildings         £         Cost/valuation         Balance 31 <sup>st</sup> January 1999       5,603,495         Additions       -         Disposals       (4,730,085)         Balance 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2000       873,410         Depreciation         Balance 31 <sup>st</sup> January 1999       207,362         Charge for period       17,889         Eliminated on disposals       -         Balance 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2000       225,251         Net book value       -         At 31 <sup>st</sup> January 1999       5,396,133	Cost/valuation         £         £           Balance 31 <sup>st</sup> January 1999         5,603,495         1,447,116           Additions         -         65,519           Disposals         (4,730,085)         (770,395)           Balance 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2000         873,410         742,240           Depreciation           Balance 31 <sup>st</sup> January 1999         207,362         863,663           Charge for period         17,889         96,989           Eliminated on disposals         -         (450,546)           Balance 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2000         225,251         510,106           Net book value           At 31 <sup>st</sup> January 1999         5,396,133         583,453

Included in the total net book value of tangible fixed assets held at 29<sup>th</sup> January 2000 was £26,685 (30<sup>th</sup> January 1999 £132,201) in respect of assets held under finance leases.

The net book value of land and buildings at 29th January 2000 comprised: -

	ı.
Long leasehold (depreciable)	506,523
Short leasehold (depreciable)	141,636
	648,159

The freehold land and buildings were sold during the year for £9,275,000 gross proceeds.

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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	other than
	loans £
. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS	
Cost	
31st January 1999	100
and at	
29 <sup>th</sup> January 2000	
Net book amount	<del></del>
29 <sup>th</sup> January 2000	100
31st January 1999	100

The investment is a wholly owned subsidiary company which was incorporated in Great Britain and registered in England and Wales and has the accounting date 29<sup>th</sup> January.

Name of subsidiary - W Eaden Lilley & Co (Food & Catering) Ltd
Nature of business - Food and catering retailers
Shares held - 100 Ordinary £1 shares
% of total shares issued - 100%
Loss for the year - (£2,522)
Aggregate amount of capital and reserves at 29<sup>th</sup> January 2000 - (£2,409)

13.

In the opinion of the directors, the aggregate value of assets of the company consisting of shares in the company's subsidiary undertaking is not less than the aggregate of the amounts at which those assets are included in the company's balance sheet.

W Eaden Lilley & Co (Food & Catering) Limited, (formerly W Eaden Lilley & Co (Wholesale) Limited), did not trade during the previous period.

	Limited), did not trade dur	ing the previous period.	$29^{\mathrm{TH}}$	30 <sup>TH</sup>
			JANUARY	JANUARY
			2000	1999
			£	£
	AIS Property Limited - 11	940 - £1 5% secured debenture stock at cost	11,940	11,940
14.	STOCKS		29 <sup>TH</sup>	30 <sup>TH</sup>
			JANUARY	JANUARY
			2000	1999
			£	£
	Goods for sale		249,782	957,112
	Other stock		33,038	65,139
			282,820	1,022,251
15.	DEBTORS			
	Due within one year:	Trade debtors	142,789	349,089
		Prepayments and accrued income	75,956	143,448
		Other debtors and deferred expenses	177,419	40,250
		Amount owed by group undertakings	96,637	-
			492,801	532,787

## NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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## FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2000

		29 <sup>TH</sup>	30 <sup>TH</sup>
		JANUARY	<i>JANUARY</i>
		2000	1999
		£	£
16.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
	Bank overdraft and loan	-	732,564
	Trade creditors	99,640	490,047
	Other taxation and social security	49,754	239,987
	Dividend	-	250,000
	Other creditors	119,492	76,401
	Accruals and deferred income	63,287	66,532
	Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts - see note 17	33,038	38,299
	Amount owed to group undertakings	-	113
		365,211	1,893,943
17.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE		
	THAN ONE YEAR		
	Bank loans	<u></u>	600,000
	Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts	23,344	56,382
		23,344	656,382
	Maturity of debt included in notes 16 and 17		
	In one year or less, or on demand	-	732,564
	Between one and two years	-	350,000
	Between two and five years	-	150,000
	In five years or more	-	100,000
			1,332,564
	Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts		
	These are repayable over varying periods by monthly instalments as		
	follows: -	40.000	20.200
	In the next year – see note 16	33,038	38,299
	In the second to fifth years	23,344	56,382
		56,382	94,681

### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

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## FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2000

#### 18. PROVISION FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES

Deferred taxation is only provided to give effect to timing differences to the extent that it is probable that a liability will crystallise.

The two company pension schemes are both being wound down (see note 6 Staff Costs), whilst further costs may be incurred in the wind down, these cannot presently be quantified and accordingly, no provision is made in the accounts to 29<sup>th</sup> January 2000.

19.	CALLED UP SHARE CAPITAL		2000		1999	
		Number of		Number of		
		shares	£	shares	£	
	Authorised					
	Ordinary shares of £10 each	20,000	200,000	20,000	200,000	
	Allotted, called up and full paid		***			
	Ordinary shares of £10 each	10,000	100,000	10,000	100,000	
				29 <sup>TH</sup>	$3\theta^{TH}$	
				JANUARY	JANUARY	
				2000	1999	
				£	£	
20.	PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT					
	Balance brought forward			3,213,817	3,418,180	
	Realisation of property revaluation gain	ns of previous years	s	1,743,678	-	
	Retained profit for the period			3,817,238	(204,363)	
	Balance carried forward			8,774,733	3,213,817	
21.	CAPITAL REDEMPTION RESERV	Œ				
	Unsecured loan stock capital redemption	on reserve		6,620	6,620	
22.	REVALUATION RESERVE					
	At 31st January 1999				1,743,678	
	Eliminated on disposals				(1,743,678)	
	At 29th January 2000					

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	29 <sup>TH</sup>	30 <sup>TH</sup>
	JANUARY	JANUARY
	2000	1999
	£	£
23. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS'		
FUNDS		
Profit for the period	3,817,238	45,637
Dividends	-	(250,000)
Net addition/subtraction to shareholders funds	3,817,238	(204,363)
Opening shareholder's funds	5,064,115	5,268,478
Closing shareholder's funds	8,881,353	5,064,115
24. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS AND OPERATING LEASING		
OBLIGATIONS		
Capital commitments		

#### Operating lease obligations

Contracted but not provided for

Based on agreements in existence at the period end, the company anticipates payments to be made in the coming year of £211,270 (£294,834 1999) and between two and five years of £820,241 (£907,019 1999).

#### 25. ASSOCIATED INDEPENDENT STORES LIMITED

The company is a member of Associated Independent Stores Limited which is limited by guarantee. The maximum sum this company could be called upon to pay is £5,000.

### 26. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

On 1<sup>st</sup> October 1999 the company sold a motor car to Mrs P E Richards, a former director of the company. The agreed price of £5,000 represented open market value.

## 27. TRANSACTIONS WITH OTHER GROUP COMPANIES

During the period the company provided management services to W Eaden Lilley & Co (Food & Catering) Limited amounting to £8,000.

The company operates a current account with its subsidiary W Eaden Lilley & Co (Food & Catering) Limited and the balance receivable at 29<sup>th</sup> January 2000 was £96,637.

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### 28. POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

At a directors' meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> February 2000, it was resolved to recommend to the members that the company purchase its own shares from certain members out of distributable profits of the company. A written resolution was passed on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2000 for the company to purchase 7,580 of its issued ordinary shares of £10 each (from a total issued share capital of £100,000) at a total consideration of £5,381,800.

			29 <sup>TH</sup>	$30^{TH}$
			JANUARY	JANUARY
			2000	1999
			£	£
29.	RECONCILIATION OF OPERATING PROFIT T	O OPERATING		
	CASH FLOWS			
	Operating (loss)/profit		(1,067,743)	186,103
	Depreciation charges		96,989	164,962
	Amortisation		17,889	22,218
	Profit on sale of tangible fixed assets		(2,098)	(2,841)
	Decrease/(increase) in stock		739,431	(135,543)
	(Increase)/decrease in debtors		104,136	120,408
	(Decrease)/increase in creditors		(540,907)	365,249
	Net cash (outflow)/inflow from operating activities		(652,303)	720,556
30.	ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET DEBT			
		At start of	Cash	At end of
		period	flows	period
		£	£	£
	Cash in hand and at bank	67,776	7,534,178	7,601,954
	Overdrafts	(632,564)	632,564	-
	Overland	(032,304)	8,166,742	
	Debt due within one year	(100,000)	100,000	
	Debt due after one year	(600,000)	600,000	-
	Finance leases	(94,681)	38,299	(56,382)
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		(1.2.2.1.2.)	738,299	
	Total	(1,359,469)	8,905,041	7,545,572

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	29 <sup>TH</sup>	$30^{TH}$
	JANUARY	JANUARY
	2000	1999
	£	£
31. RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MOVEMENT IN		
NET DEBT		
Increase in cash for the 52 weeks	8,166,742	281,500
Cash outflow from decrease in debt and lease financing	738,299	134,443
Change in net debt resulting from cash flows	8,905,041	415,943
New finance leases	-	(86,248)
Movement in net debt in the 52 weeks	8,905,041	329,965
Net debt at start of period	(1,359,469)	(1,689,164)
Net debt at 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2000	7,545,572	(1,359,469)