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FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 28TH JANUARY 1995



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COMPANY INFORMATION

28TH JANUARY 1995

Incorporated on 31st January 1890.

Company number: 30736

M.O. Marriott CHAIRMAN

W.E. Lilley MANAGING DIRECTOR

G.M. Lilley OTHER DIRECTORS

W.H. Lilley (died 11.8.94)
R.J. Mallabon (resigned 31.8.94)

W.E. Lilley **SECRETARY**

REGISTERED OFFICE 12 Market Street

Cambridge. CB2 3PD

Crouch Chapman **AUDITORS**

St. Martin's House

63 West Stockwell Street

Colchester

Essex CO1 1HE

CHAIRMAN' STATEMENT

28TH JANUARY 1995

The modest trading profit represents a considerable achievement in a year of consolidation in which competition continues to intensify under economic conditions unfavourable to the retail trade.

Trading conditions remained challenging during 1994. The programme of re-establishing our identity has been successfully maintained and we have taken in our stride the effects of the re-structuring of the company. Continuing management focus on improving the operating performance of the business will bring positive benefits in 1995 and I believe we are poised to take every advantage of a return to more buoyant trading conditions.

The cooperation of the staff in adapting to new operating methods, not to mention the introduction of bank holiday and very limited Sunday opening, has been greatly appreciated.

Regular consultative meetings continue to be held with representative groups of personnel at all levels and their contributions to the welfare and smooth running of the business are valued.

To all personnel in Cambridge, Saffron Walden, Great Shelford, Photography and the Warehouse, I would on behalf of the directors like to express my thanks.

CHAIRMAN

4.5.95

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS

28TH JANUARY 1995

The directors submit to the members the one hundred and sixth annual report and audited accounts for the 52 weeks ended 28th January 1995.

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 £244,824 after crediting exceptional items of £175,380.

Dividends

The directors recommend a final dividend of £20,000 (1994 - £193,750) leaving a surplus of £224,824 to be transferred to reserves.

Fixed assets

During the period, the company completed the purchase of the Market Passage Warehouse for £300,000. Other movements in fixed assets are shown in note 11.

Directors

Following the death of our late President, Kenneth Lilley, in 1993 it is with equal sadness that we record the death of his brother William Howard Lilley on 11th August 1994. Howard was widely respected as a kindly, caring gentleman and we remember him with great affection.

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

-	Ordinary shares	
	28.1.95	29.1.94
W.E. Lilley		
beneficial	2,420	1,720
non-beneficial	300	300
G.M. Lilley		
beneficial	885	885
non-beneficial	5,510	5,510
M.O. Marriott	-	-
W.H. Lilley (died 11.8.94)	_	700
R.J. Mallabon (resigned 31.8.94)	-	-

D.B. Cain, a partner in Crouch Chapman, the auditors to the company, is a trustee for 400 ordinary shares. He is also a trustee with G.M. Lilley for a total of 5,110 ordinary shares and with W.E. Lilley for 300 ordinary shares.

The following directors being eligible offer themselves for reelection at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting, W.E. Lilley, G.M. Lilley and M.O. Marriott.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS CONTINUED

28TH JANUARY 1995

Post balance sheet events

There have been no events since the balance sheet date that require inclusion within the accounts or note thereto.

Political and charitable contributions

There were no political contributions made in the period, and charitable contributions amounted to £615.

Auditors

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

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

COMPANY SECRETARY

4/5/95

12 Market Street, Cambridge. CB2 3PD

STATEMENT OF DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

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

4/5/95

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

We have audited the financial statements on pages 7 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 11 and 12.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF DIRECTORS AND AUDITORS

As described on page 5 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 as at 28th January 1995 and of its profit for the period then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Chartered Accountants

Registered Auditors

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St. Martin's House, 63 West Stockwell Street, Colchester, Essex. CO1 1HE

12 H May 1999

W. EADEN LILLEY & CO. LIMITED

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 28TH JANUARY 1995

	Note	1995 £	1994 £
TURNOVER	2	6,322,714	6,346,371
Cost of sales		4,164,359	4,480,753
GROSS PROFIT		2,158,355	1,865,618
Administrative expenses		1,967,691	2,092,098
OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS)	3	190,664	(226,480)
Exceptional items	4	175,380	2,709,036
Profit on ordinary activities financing	before	366,044	2,482,556
Other interest receivable and similar income	7	16,037	26,338
Finance costs	8	137,257	167,180
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION		244,824	2,341,714
Tax on ordinary activities		-	
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES AFTER TAXATION		244,824	2,341,714
Dividends	9	20,000	193,750
RETAINED PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL PERIOD	19	224,824	2,147,964

Movements in reserves are shown in note 19.

There were no acquisitions or discontinued operations during the current and previous period.

W. EADEN LILLEY & CO. LIMITED STATEMENT OF RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 28TH JANUARY 1995

	1995 £	1994 £
Profit for period	224,824	2,147,964
Unrealised surplus on revaluation of property	-	1,743,678
Total recognised gains for period	224,824	3,891,642

BALANCE SHEET

28TH JANUARY 1995

	Note	. 1º	995 £	199-	4 £.
FIXED ASSETS		4		-	_
Intangible assets Tangible assets Investments	10 11 12		88,872 6,251,054 11,927		111,090 6,059,388 11,927
CURRENT ASSETS			6,351,853		6,182,405
Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	13 14	731,95 700,08 60,78	6	559,012 766,468 50,154	
		1,492,82	7	1,375,634	
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLI DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		2,817,64	8	2,752,743	
NET CURRENT LIABILITIES			- (1,324,821)	(1,377,109)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT	LIA	BILITIES	5,027,032		4,805,296
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLI DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR			-		3,088
			5,027,032		4,802,208
CAPITAL AND RESERVES					
Share capital Profit and loss account Capital redemption reserv Revaluation reserve	18 19 ve 20 21		100,000 3,176,734 6,620 1,743,678		100,000 2,951,910 6,620 1,743,678
			5,027,032		4,802,208
Approved by the Board of Directors (Approved by the Board of Directors) Directors					
Date 4. 5.95	• • • • •	 _ q	_		

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

52 WEEKS ENDED 28TH JANUARY 1995

	Note	199	95	1994	
		£	£	£	£.
NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	25		156,627		594,064
RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE Interest received Rental income Interest paid Dividends paid)	13,829 2,208 (137,257)		22,451 3,887 (167,180) (193,750)	
NET CASH OUTFLOW FROM RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE	2		(121,220)		(334,592)
TAXATION Advance corporation tax		56,250			
TAX PAID			(56,250)		-
INVESTING ACTIVITIES Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets Receipts from sales of tangible fixed assets		(373,987) 180,718	·	(3,000,064)
NET CASH OUTFLOW/INFLOW FE	ROM		(193,269)		911,326
(DECREASE)/INCREASE IN CASH AND EQUIVALENTS	26		(214,112)		1,170,798

NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS

FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 28TH JANUARY 1995

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) TURNOVER

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

C) DEPRECIATION OF TANGIBLE ASSETS

Depreciation is provided 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.

D) AMORTISATION

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

E) 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.

F) 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 crystallization of any liability is not envisaged in the foreseeable future.

NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED

FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 28TH JANUARY 1995

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

G) 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.

H) PENSION SCHEME

The company pension scheme is a defined benefit plan. Contributions which are based on actuarial advice are charged against profits as incurred.

		1995 £	1994 £
2.	TURNOVER		
	Total sales including valued added tax	10,566,749	10,057,648
	Less: Sales of leased departments including valued added tax	4,214,322	3,582,569
	Sales of our own merchandise & services Less: Valued added tax	6,352,427 851,872	6,475,079 858,816
	Sales of our own merchandise and service (excluding value added tax)	es 5,500,555	5,616,263
	Rental from leased departments based on their sales	822,159	730,108
		6,322,714	6,346,371

W. EADEN LILLEY & CO. LIMITED NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 28TH JANUARY 1995

		1995 £	1994 £
3.	OPERATING PROFIT/(LOSS)		
	This is stated after charging:		
	Depreciation Amortisation of goodwill Rental of leased equipment Auditors' remuneration	176,983 22,218 28,899 16,000	169,825 22,218 42,338 16,000 ======
4.	EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS		
	(Profit) on disposal of assets Redundancy payments Directors compensation Costs re sale of freeholds Other items Prior year items	(175,380) - - - - -	(3,252,210) 270,292 136,000 569,020 11,068 (443,206)
		(175,380) ======	(2,709,036)
	Prior year items are comprised of:-		
	Business rates refund Interest received Bad debt Other items	- - - -	(458,159) (63,463) 28,555 49,861
		-	(443,206)
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NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED

FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 28TH JANUARY 1995

		1995 £	1994 £
5.	DIRECTORS EMOLUMENTS		
•	Directors' emoluments consist of:		
	Emoluments for services as a director Compensation	69,950	104,514 136,000
	·	69,950	240,514
	Particulars of directors' emoluments are	as follows:	:
	Chairmen - M.O. Marriott - K.E. Lilley	17,500 - ======	8,021 3,250 =====
	Highest paid director	36,800 =====	96,778 =====
	Other directors:	No.	No.
	£0 - £5,000 £5,001 - £10,000 £35,001 - £40,000 £95,001 - £100,000	2 1 - -	2 1 1 1
6.	STAFF COSTS	£	£
	Staff costs during the period amounted Wages and salaries Social security Other pension and employment costs	to: 1,299,790 62,545 22,128	1,427,308 92,798 38,589
		1,384,463	1,558,695
	The average number of employees dur	ing the per	riod was as
	follows:-	No.	No.
	Sales staff Administration	145 . 35	149 30
		180 ===	179 ===

NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED

FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 28TH JANUARY 1995

		1995 £	1994 £
7.	OTHER INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR	INCOME	
	Net income from rented property Interest receivable	2,208 13,829	3,887 22,451
•		16,037	26,338
8.	FINANCE COSTS		
	Bank interest Finance lease interest	137,980 (723)	164,227 2,953
		137,257	167,180
9.	DIVIDENDS		
	Interim dividend paid Final dividend proposed	20,000	193,750 -
		20,000	193,750
10.	INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Goodwill £	
	Cost Balance 30.1.94 and 28.1.95	222,180	
	Amortisation Balance 30.1.94 Charge for period	111,090 22,218	
	Balance 28.1.95	133,308	
	Net book value At 30.1.94	111,090	
	At 28.1.95	88,872 =====	

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

NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED

FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 28TH JANUARY 1995

11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Land and buildings £	Plant and fittings £	Total £
COST/VALUATION Balance 30.1.94 Additions Disposals	5,279,195 330,085 (5,338)	1,588,010 46,570 (193,776)	6,867,205 376,655 (199,114)
Balance 28.1.95	5,603,942	1,440,804	7,044,746
DEPRECIATION Balance 30.1.94 Charge for period Eliminated on dispo	117,913 17,889 sals -	689,904 159,094 (191,108)	807,817 176,983 (191,108)
Balance 28.1.95	135,802	657,890	793,692
NET BOOK VALUE At 30.1.94	5,161,282	898,106	6,059,388
At 28.1.95	5,468,140 =======	782,914 ======	6,251,054

The net book value of land and buildings at 28.1.95 comprised:-

£

Freehold	4,730,532
Long leasehold	536,680
Short leasehold	200,928
	5,468,140
	======

Included in the total net book value of tangible fixed assets held at 28.1.95 was £13,072 (29.1.94 £40,919) in respect of assets held under finance leases.

NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED

FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 28TH JANUARY 1995

12.	INVESTMENTS	1995 £	1994 £
	W. Eaden Lilley & Co. (Wholesale) Ltd.: 100% of issued shares at cost Less: Amount due to subsidiary	- 100 (113)	100 (113)
		(13)	(13)
	AIS Property Limited 11,940 - £1 5% Secured Debenture Stock	11,940	11,940
		11,927	11,927
	W. Eaden Lilley & Co. (Wholesale) Limit the current or previous period.	ed has not t	raded during
13.	STOCKS		
	Goods for resale Other stock	664,670 67,285	495,675 63,337
		731,955	559,012
14.	DEBTORS		
	Due within one year: Trade debtors Prepayments and accrued income Other debtors and deferred expenses	351,619 130,905 57,309	378,713 200,992 35,634
	Due after more than one year: Deposit paid and accrued interest Advance corporation tax	539,833 95,936 64,317	615,339 91,812 59,317
		700,086	766,468

NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED

FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 28TH JANUARY 1995

	1995 £	1994 £
15. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN	ONE YEAR	
Bank overdraft Trade creditors Other creditors Advance corporation tax Other tax and social security Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts Accruals and deferred income Proposed dividend	2,024,106 196,293 22,881 5,000 228,965 3,088 317,315 20,000	1,799,362 188,014 293,469 56,250 105,803 11,797 298,048

The bank overdraft is secured by charges on certain of the freehold properties.

16. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

Obligations under finance leases and hire purchase contracts - 3,088

17. 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. No provision for taxation has been made on the revaluation of the property as in the directors' opinion no liability will crystallise in the foreseeable future. If full provision had been made the amount would have been:

Revaluation	of	property	400,000	400,000
			======	======

18. SHARE CAPITAL

Ordinary shares of £10 each

Authorised	200,000	200,000
Issued and fully paid	100,000	100,000

NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED

FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 28TH JANUARY 1995

		1995 £	1994 £
19.	PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT		
	Balance brought forward 30.1.94 Retained profit for period	2,951,910 224,824	803,946 2,147,964
	Balance carried forward 28.1.95	3,176,734	2,951,910
20.	CAPITAL REDEMPTION RESERVE		
	Unsecured loan stock capital redemption reserve	6,620 ====	6,620 ====
21.	REVALUATION RESERVE		
	Arising on revaluation	1,743,678	1,743,678
	The freehold part of the Cambridge store year ended 29th January 1994 by a £4,400,000.		
22.	RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLD	DERS' FUNDS	
	Profit for the period Dividends Revaluation reserve	244,824 (20,000)	2,341,714 (193,750) 1,743,678
		224,824	3,891,642
	Opening shareholder's funds	4,802,208	910,566
	Closing shareholder's funds	5,027,032	4,802,208

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NOTES ON THE ACCOUNTS CONTINUED

FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 28TH JANUARY 1995

1995	1994
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23. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS AND OPERATING LEASING OBLIGATIONS

CAPITAL COMMITMENTS
Contracted but not provided for

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Authorised by the directors but not provided for

85,000 ===== 30,000

OPERATING LEASE OBLIGATIONS

Based on agreements in existence at the period end the company anticipates payments to be made in the coming year of £19,210 (£2,765 - 1994) and between two and five years of £41,119 (£NIL - 1994).

24. 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.

NOTES ON THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT

FOR THE 52 WEEKS ENDED 28TH JANUARY 1995

1995	1994
£	£

25. RECONCILIATION OF PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE FINANCING TO CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

Profit on ordinary activities before		
financing	366,044	2,482,556
Depreciation charges	176,983	169,774
Amortisation	22,218	22,218
(Profit) on sale of tangible fixed	•	, -
assets	(175,380)	(3,252,210)
Costs of sale of tangible fixed assets		544,292
(Increase)/Decrease in stock	(172,943)	530,536
Decrease in debtors	71,382	71,035
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(131,677)	25,863
		
	156,627	594,064
	=======	=======

26. ANALYSIS OF BALANCES OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS IN THE BALANCE SHEET

	1995 £	1994 £	CHANGE IN PERIOD £
Cash at bank and in hand Bank loan and overdraft	60,786 (2,024,106)	50,154 (1,799,362)	10,632 (224,744)
	(1,963,320)	(1,749,208)	(214,112)