

PARENTS' AND CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION

In presenting the first annual report of the Roseville Parents' and Citizens' Association, your committee feel that they may justly congratulate the members on the results achieved during the past year, the first of the Association's existence.

At the inaugural meeting held in February, 54 members were enrolled, and by the close of the year we had 97 financial members.

The efforts of the Association raised a considerable sum of money. This enabled us to add to the equipment of the school and help forward the good work being done by Mr Murray and his assistants. Their aim is to ensure that, as far as is possible, the scholars may receive tuition under conditions calculated to produce the best results. Early in the year the question of securing additional land to be added to the playground was considered. It was felt that an effort should be made to acquire the land adjoining the school in Addison Avenue without delay. The Association provided two hundred and fifty pounds towards the cost of acquiring four blocks of land in Addison Avenue.

One of the principle events of the year was the concert held in the Roseville Hall on 21st May, which realised an amount of forty-three pounds. Apart from the financial aspect, the entertainment proved a great success and reflected credit on the organisers who at short notice undertook the training of the children. The only drawback to the entertainment was the inability of the Roseville Hall to accommodate comfortably all those who desired to witness the performance.

Several requirements of the school were met during the year. These included:

- establishing a library, with a goodly number of volumes, together with bookcases to contain them
- purchasing of pictures to brighten the drab walls of the schoolroom
- purchasing a clock to adorn the wall of the Headmaster's room
- purchasing a sewing machine to enable the girls attending the school to receive instruction in a most desirable direction
- furnishing of a First Aid cabinet
- neat garden plots now beautify the main approach to the school
- the construction of six seats, thus guarding the children against the ill effects likely to accrue from sitting on the ground in damp weather
- the most ambitious undertaking of the year was the Carnival held in the school grounds on Saturday 8th November, which realised two hundred and seventy pounds
- a further improvement which, while not perhaps of direct benefit to the scholars, is worthy of mention is the installation of electric light in the school carried out by a member at a cost to the Association of the material only.

In concluding this brief review of the year's activities, we may express the hope that the same interest and enthusiasm which have animated our members in the past may continue until we achieve the goal of our desires in making Roseville Public School second to none in the State.

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