

1945

# Annual Report of the Municipal Officers of the Town of Roque Bluffs for the Year 1944-1945

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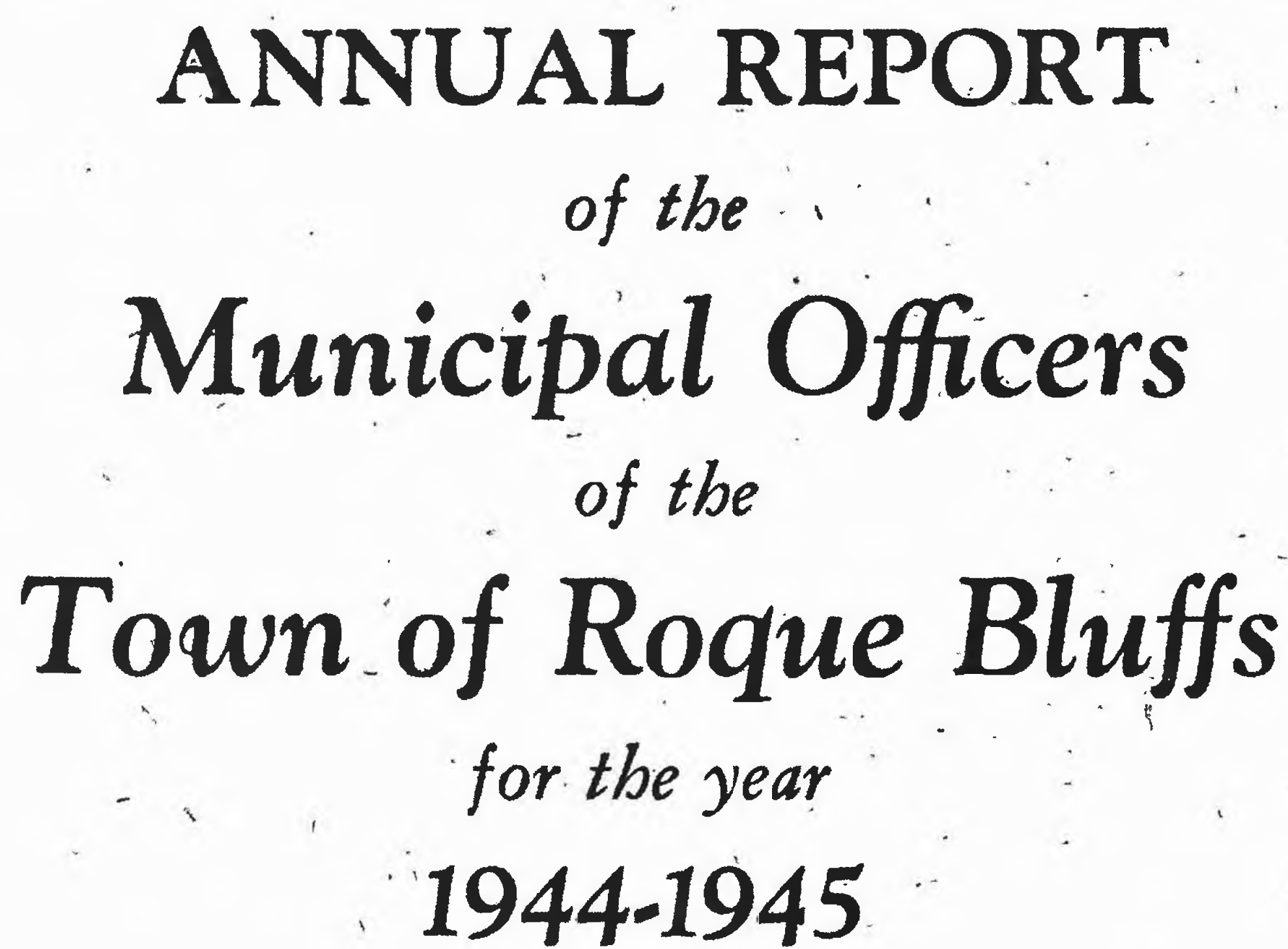
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**ANNUAL REPORT**  
*of the*  
**Municipal Officers**  
*of the*  
**Town of Roque Bluffs**  
*for the year*  
**1944-1945**

202857

**TOWN OF ROQUE BLUFFS**

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

**For Year Ending March 1944**

To the Citizens of Roque Bluffs

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith report on my audit of your Town's Accounts for the fiscal year ending March 1, 1944.

Your books for the year have been closed in agreement with this report and are open to inspection to all interested.

**TAXES:**

The actual amount of 1933 tax uncollected is \$49.60, and for 1943, \$92.63, as shown in your Town Report.

The amount shown as unpaid by Tax Collector is \$49.57 for prior year taxes and \$92.13 for 1943 taxes, the net difference of 53c representing overpayment by Collector.

**SAMUEL HOLWAY, Auditor**



**TOWN OF ROQUE BLUFFS 1944-45**

**VALUATION AND ASSESSMENT**

Real Estate, Resident	\$19,304.00	
Real Estate, Non-Resident	24,398.00	
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Total Value Real Estate		\$43,702.00
Personal Estate, Resident	\$ 2,827.00	
Personal Estate, Non-Resident	786.00	
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Total Value Personal Estate		\$ 3,595.00
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Total Valuation		\$47,297.00
Rate of Taxation	.0562	
Assessed on Property		\$2,658.07
Assessed on Polls		69.00
Polls not Taxed	6	
Supplementary Tax		6.00
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Total		\$2,733.07
Poll Tax Abated		3.00
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Total		\$2,730.07

*Annual Town Report***REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR****Debits**

Total Appropriations	\$2,782.47	
Supplemental Tax	6.00	
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Total		\$2,788.47
Less Anticipated Excise Tax		55.40
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Total		\$2,733.07
1943 Tax		92.63
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		\$2,825.70
Plus Excise Tax		57.00
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		\$2,882.70

**Credits**

Cash to Treasurer, 1943 Tax	\$ 92.61	
Cash to Treasurer, 1944 Tax	2,677.86	
Cash to Treasurer, Excise Tax	57.00	
Unpaid Taxes, 1944	54.19	
Abatement	3.00	
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Total		\$2,884.66
Collector overpaid		\$ 1.96

**Uncollected Taxes, March 1, 1945**

Mrs. Irving Foss Est.	\$27.31	
Harold E. Richards, Sr.	15.08	
Margaret Small	11.24	
Chas. Varney	.56	
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Total		\$54.19

**REPORT OF TREASURER**

Cash Balance, March 1, 1944	\$ 651.05	
Receipts for the year from:		
E. T. & Banking Co., loan	900.00	
E. T. & Bkg. Co., int. on School fund	.79	
State, Snow Removal	44.37	
State, 50-50	00.00	
State, Special Resolve	392.00	
State, Bear Bounty	10.00	
State, Bank Stock Tax	3.60	
State, Equalization Fund	379.00	
State, School Fund	533.25	
State, Dog License Refund	1.60	
W. B. Watts, Coll., 1943 Tax	92.61	
W. B. Watts, Coll., 1944 Tax	2,677.86	
W. B. Watts, Coll., Excise Tax	57.00	
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Total		\$5,743.13
Warrants Paid	\$5,130.69	
Balance, March 1, 1945	612.44	
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Total		\$5,743.13

**RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH BAL.**

Balance in Bank, Feb. 27, 1945	\$903.86	
Cash on hand	14.35	
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Total		\$918.21
Checks Outstanding		305.77
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Treasurer's Balance, March 1, 1945		\$612.44

*Annual Town Report***COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET****Assets March 1, 1944**

Cash	\$651.05	
Back Taxes	49.60	
1943 Taxes	92.63	
State Snow Fund	47.17	
School Fund	52.65	
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Total		\$893.10

**Liabilities March 1, 1944**

School Balance	\$151.63	
School Fund	52.65	
State Aid Road	300.00	
3rd Class Maintenance	5.35	
Cutting Bushes	3.68	
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		\$513.31

**Assets March 1, 1945**

Cash	\$612.44	
Back Taxes	49.60	
1944 Taxes	54.19	
State, Snow Account	160.13	
Weir Grant	5.00	
50-50 Road	24.69	
School Fund	52.65	
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Total		\$958.70

**Liabilities March 1, 1945**

School Balance	\$151.63	
School Fund	52.65	
State Aid Road	300.00	
3rd Class Maintenance	5.63	
Snow Removal	160.12	
Due Collector	1.96	
Surplus	286.71	
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		\$958.70



**OFFICERS' SALARIES**

**Receipts**

Appropriation \$245.00

**Expenditures**

Superintendent's Salary	\$ 62.86	
Wyman A. Johnson, Assessor	15.00	
Walter R. Morse, Assessor	15.00	
John B. Preston, Assessor	24.25	
Collector of Internal Revenue	.75	
Wm. B. Watts, Moderator	3.00	
John B. Preston, Selectman	25.00	
Walter R. Morse, Selectman	5.00	
Thomas A. Preston, Selectman	5.00	
Frank R. Welch, Town Clerk	10.00	
Wm. B. Watts, Collector	42.41	
Charles C. Watts, Treasurer	57.43	
W. B. Watts, Ballot Clerk	6.00	
Ella Preston, Ballot Clerk	4.00	
John B. Preston, Election Official	8.91	
Collector of Internal Revenue	.09	
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Total		\$284.70
Overdraft		\$ 39.70

*Annual Town Report***CONTINGENT ACCOUNT****Receipts**

Appropriation	\$125.00	
Overlay on Taxes	13.08	
Bank Stock	3.60	
Dog Tax Refund	1.60	
Bear Bounty	10.00	
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Total		\$153.28

**Expenditures**

E. T. & B. Co., int. on notes	\$ 25.63	
E. T. & B. Co., chrg. on check acct.	4.50	
Loring, Short & Harmon, books	4.40	
Marks Ptg. House, books	1.00	
O. H. Dunbar	4.00	
S. M. Holway, auditing	25.00	
Parlin Ptg. Co., printing	30.00	
Emily G. Bradbury, bonds	20.00	
Wyman A. Johnson, posting warrants	1.00	
Horace Preston, posting warrants	2.00	
Guy Morse, bounty on bear	10.00	
Town Machias, fire engine	25.00	
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Total		\$152.53
Unexpended		.75

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**PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING**

Appropriation \$10.00

**Expenditures**

Treas. of State, Department of Health \$10.00

**ROADS AND BRIDGES**

Appropriation \$ 80.00

**Expenditures**

Transferred to Spec. Resolve \$ 23.36

H. Blaine Davis 12.92

Freeman Preston 30.25

H. Eugene Richards 4.64

Eldred Bryant 6.18

Horace Preston 9.74

Burleigh Preston 8.62

State Highway Comm., grader 3.50

Frank Welch, gravel .30

Collector Internal Revenue 2.70

Hill's Hardware .24

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Total \$102.45

Overdraft \$ 22.45

**SPECIAL RESOLVE**

**Receipts**

Received from State \$392.00

Transferred from Town Road 23.36

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Total \$415.36

**Expenditures**

Kenneth Smith \$ 54.74

Amos Anthony 60.61

Freeman Preston 119.62

Horace Preston 53.31

Carl Smith 65.12

Wm. B. Watts 22.50

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F. R. Welch	8.40	
Chas. Watts	8.75	
Collector of Internal Revenue	22.31	
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Total		\$415.36

**PATROL—STATE AID ROAD  
Receipts**

Appropriation		\$187.50
	<b>Expenditures</b>	
Paid State Treasurer		\$187.50

**CUTTING BUSHES**

**Receipts**

Appropriation 1943	\$40.00	
Appropriation 1944	20.00	
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Total \$60.00

**Expenditures**

H. Eugene Richards	\$50.06	
Freeman Preston	5.43	
Collector of Internal Revenue	.83	
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\$56.32

Unexpended \$ 3.68

**PATROL AND UNIMPROVED ROADS**

**Receipts**

Appropriation		\$60.00
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**Expenditures**

Freeman Preston	\$45.52	
Eldred Bryant	6.11	
State Highway Comm.	3.50	
Collector of Internal Revenue	.87	
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Total \$56.00

Unexpended \$ 4.00

**50-50 ROAD**

**Receipts**

Appropriation	\$25.00
Due from State	24.69

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Total	\$49.69
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**Expenditures**

Freeman Preston	\$20.07
Horace Preston	18.57
Burleigh Preston	8.62
Frank Welch	.30
Collector of Internal Revenue	1.82

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Total	\$49.38
Unexpended	.31

**STATE ROAD CONSTRUCTION**

**Receipts**

Balance March 1, 1944	\$300.00
Unexpended	\$300.00

**SNOW REMOVAL**

**Receipts**

Appropriation	\$125.00
Due from State	80.06

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Total	\$205.06
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**Expenditures**

Carroll Look	\$160.13
Unexpended	\$ 44.93

*Annual Town Report***THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE****Receipts**

Appropriation	\$38.00
From 1943	4.45

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Total	\$42.45
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**Expenditures**

H. Eugene Richards	6.89
Freeman Preston	24.14
Eldred Bryant	2.72
State Highway Comm.	1.50
Collector of Internal Revenue	1.67

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Total	\$36.92
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Unexpended	\$ 5.35
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**TOWN POOR**

No Appropriation

No Expenditures

**TEMPORARY LOANS****Receipts**

Eastern Trust & Banking Co.	\$900.00
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**Expenditures**

Eastern Trust & Banking Co.	\$900.00
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**ABATEMENTS**

No Appropriation

Abatement	\$3.00
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Overdraft	\$3.00
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**STATE TAX****Receipts**

Appropriation	\$348.06
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**Expenditures**

Treasurer of State	\$348.06
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**COUNTY TAX**

**Receipts**

Appropriation \$215.83

**Expenditures**

County Treasurer \$215.83

**EXCISE TAX**

**Receipts**

From Collector \$57.00

Deducted from Appropriations \$54.40

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Surplus \$ 1.60

**ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

Due from State, Snow Removal \$80.06

Due from State, 50-50 Road 24.69

Due from Weir Grant 5.00

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Total \$109.75

**SCHOOLS**

**Resources**

Balance March 1, 1944 \$ 117.56

Appropriation 1,300.00

State School Fund 533.25

Equalization 379.00

Interest on School Fund .79

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Total \$2,330.60

**Expenditures**

Teacher \$ 786.00

Janitors 72.00

Conveyance 841.50

Fuel, Books and Supplies 79.62

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Tuition	323.00	
Withholding Tax	60.00	
Census	1.50	
Office Help	15.35	
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Total		\$2,178.97
Unexpended balance		\$ 151.63



**ANNUAL REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE**

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Roque Bluffs, Maine, Dec. 31, 1944.

Public Health Nursing is concerned with securing the best possible physical and mental health for all. To this end 21 family visits have been made in Roque Bluffs this year.

Today as never before the importance of prenatal and postnatal care is recognized. Realizing that the health of the mother during this period is a matter of primary importance to herself and her child, 2 visits have been made to maternity patients.

During the year 8 infants were visited to help the mothers with their routines, to plan for medical supervision and to stress the necessity of prevention of communicable disease which is most disastrous during the first year of life.

26 visits were made to preschool children to help the mothers continue the plan of health habits started in infancy and to solve the health problems peculiar to this age group.

With some crippling conditions from birth injuries, accidents or disease, the fundamental right to success and happiness is denied either because of a handicap in work and play or a sensitiveness in social situations.

One of the Bureau of Health functions is to offer diagnostic clinic for the children sent by their family physician. At these clinics the children are examined by a pediatrician and orthopedist and given recommendations for further treatment, including exercises, surgery or the use of appliances. The Social worker at the clinic helps to evaluate the home situation and helps the parents make adequate financial arrangements for the care of the children.

The nurse helps to prevent deformities through her inspection of the newborn and through continuous visits to families. She finds the patients who would be benefited through the clinic and acts as an interpreter to the family and the clinic personnel. In this behalf 6 visits were made.

With the wartime relaxation of moral standards due to the influx of military personnel, there is an increase in venereal disease, namely: gonorrhea and syphilis. In order to safeguard the health of the community the nurse helps to get examinations for the individuals who have come in contact with the disease and to keep infected individuals under treatment until cured.

To reach a goal of mental and physical health for all, it is recognized that more responsibility awaits each and every citizen of the community. Only through cooperation of the local people has progress been shown but there is need for more interest and participation by each citizen to further the program of health.

JEANNETTE WATTERS,

Public Health Nurse

# **Annual Report**

*of the*

## **Public Schools**

*of*

## **Roque Bluffs**

*for the*

**FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 1945**

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### **Superintending School Committee**

Carl Smith,	Term expires March 1945
Robert Watts,	Term expires March 1946
Harlan Johnson,	Term expires March 1947

Harlan Johnson, Attendance Officer

LeRoy W. Moan, Superintendent and Secretary

**REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS****To the Superintending School Committee:**

I submit, herewith, my annual report as Superintendent of your school.

Attendance, on the whole, has been excellent and I am pleased to report that under the able instruction of Miss Marcella Davis the pupils are making very satisfactory progress.

Mrs. Sara Morse has again conveyed the pupils in a very efficient manner.

**Enrollment**

	Sub.-1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Tl.	
	3	1	0	4	3	3	2	3	2	21	
Tuition students at M. H. S.											3
Tuition students at Washington Academy											1
There are no tuition students in the Senior Class.											

The following budget will show the amount necessary to appropriate for the ensuing year.

**BUDGET****Estimated Expenditures**

Teacher	\$ 900.00	
Janitor	90.00	
Conveyance	900.00	
Fuel	75.00	
Tuition	450.00	
Office	14.00	
Books	25.00	
Supplies	30.00	
Total		\$2,484.00

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**Estimated Resources**

Unexpended Balance	\$ 125.00	
State School Fund	500.00	
Equalization Fund	444.00	
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Total		\$1,069.00
Necessary to appropriate for Schools		\$1,400.00
Necessary to appropriate for Repairs		25.00

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

**Resources**

Unexpended balance	\$ 117.56	
State School Fund	533.25	
Equalization Fund	379.00	
Int. on Reserved Land	.79	
Appropriation	1,300.00	
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Total		\$2,330.60

**Expenditures**

Teacher	\$ 786.00	
Janitors	72.00	
Conveyance	841.50	
Fuel	16.00	
Tuition	323.00	
Office	15.35	
Books	33.63	
Supplies	29.99	
With. Tax	60.00	
Census	1.50	
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Total		\$2,178.97
Unexpended balance		\$ 151.63
Due Teachers With. Tax, January and February		\$19.60

In conclusion, I wish to thank the School Committee and Citizens for their fine cooperation throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

LeROY W. MOAN,

Superintendent of Schools.

**WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

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**STATE OF MAINE**

To Horace L. Preston, a Constable of the Town of Roque Bluffs, in the County of Washington and State of Maine,

**GREETING:**

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Roque Bluffs aforesaid, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the School House in the said town of Roque Bluffs, on the twenty-sixth day of March A. D. 1945, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, there and then to act upon the following articles, to wit:

- Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside over said meeting.
- Article 2. To choose a town clerk for the ensuing year.
- Article 3. To see if the town will vote to accept the report of the selectmen and other officers as printed.
- Article 4. To choose three selectmen.
- Article 5. To choose three assessors.
- Article 6. To choose one or more overseers of the poor.
- Article 7. To choose a town treasurer for the ensuing year.
- Article 8. To choose one member of the superintending school committee for three years.

- Article 9. To see if the town will vote to elect a road commissioner, and, if so, to elect the same and fix his compensation.
- Article 10. To fix the amount to be paid for the collection of taxes.
- Article 11. To choose a tax collector.
- Article 12. To choose all other necessary officers for the ensuing year.
- Article 13. To see what sum the town will raise for maintenance of improved state road under the provisions of Section 18 of Chapter 28 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, 1930.
- Article 14. To see if the town will raise and appropriate \$10.00 for public health nursing in Roque Bluffs. Said sum to be expended by the State Bureau of Health, for local service.
- Article 15. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to contract for removal of snow from State and Town ways approved by the State Highway Commission for snow removal. The contract not to exceed \$70.00 per mile.
- Article 16. To see what sums of money the town will vote to raise for the following purposes: Contingent Fund; Highways and Bridges; Poor; Snow Removal; Schools; Repairs on School Buildings; and all and any other town charges for the year ensuing.
- Article 17. To see what sum the town will raise and appropriate for State Aid road construction (in addition to the amounts regularly



raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Section 19, Chapter 28, Revised Statutes of Maine, 1930, or under the provisions of Section 3, Chapter 229, Public Laws of Maine, 1937.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money, and how much, for the cutting of bushes on the improved State Aid Road.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to raise a sum of money, to be not less than Thirty-eight Dollars, for the maintenance of improved Third Class Roads.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to borrow not exceeding Eleven Hundred Dollars upon the faith and credit of the town, during the municipal year 1945 and 1946, in anticipation of and to be paid from the amount to be collected from taxes of said municipal year. And if the town votes so to borrow, to authorize and direct the treasurer to execute and deliver the negotiable interest bearing promissory note or notes of the town for the sum or sums so borrowed.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to select three persons to work in conjunction with the superintending school committee and the Superintendent of Schools for the purpose of investigating the Area School Plan, and such joint committee to submit all available information and its recommendation to a special town meeting to be called at some later date when said committee is ready to report.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen on behalf of the town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute and deliver quit-claim deeds for such property.

Article 23. To see what compensation the town will vote to the Fire Warden for his services.

Article 24. To see what compensation the town will vote the Moderator for his services.

Article 25. To transact any other business that may properly and legally come before said meeting.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session at the School House at 8:30 A. M. on the day of said meeting, for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of March, A. D. 1945.

JOHN B. PRESTON  
WALTER R. MORSE  
THOMAS A. PRESTON

Selectmen of Roque Bluffs

A true copy, attest:

Constable of Roque Bluffs,

