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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

of the TOWN of

ROQUE BLUFFS

for the

YEAR 1945-1946

Parlin Printing Co.,—Machias

MAR 2 1946

TOWN OF ROQUE BLUFFS**Year Ending March 1945****LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL**

To the Citizens of Roque Bluffs:

I submit herewith report on my audit of your Town's accounts for the year ending March 1945.

Books for the year have been closed in agreement with this report and are open to inspection of all those interested.

Prior Year's Taxes:

Mr. Sinford has justified the faith shown by the citizens of your Town in his inherent honesty by having paid, after the closing of the Town Books for the year ending March 1945, the amount due on his 1933 Tax.

All money received and disbursed by your Town officials has been correctly and carefully accounted for.

Respectfully submitted,

S. M. HOLWAY, Auditor.

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS 1945-1946

Selectmen and Overseers of Poor

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

Assessors

JOHN B. PRESTON WILLIAM B. WATTS
 JOSEPH J. RICHARD

Treasurer

CHARLES C. WATTS

Town Clerk

FRANK R. WELCH

Collector

EVA Q. RICHARD

School Committee

ROBERT L. WATTS CARL W. SMITH
 HARLAN P. JOHNSON

TOWN OF ROQUE BLUFFS 1945-1946**VALUATION AND ASSESSMENT**

Real Estate, Resident	20,070.00	
Real Estate, Non-Resident	24,147.00	
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Total Valuation Real Estate		\$44,217.00
Personal Estate, Resident	\$ 2,946.00	
Personal Estate, Non-Resident	735.00	
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Total Valuation Personal Estate		\$ 3,681.00
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Total Valuation		\$47,898.00
Rate of Taxation	.0657	
Assessed on Property		\$3,149.00
Assessed on Polls		66.00
Polls not Taxed	8	
Supplementary Tax		3.00
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Total		\$3,218.00
Abatement		1.24
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Total		\$3,216.76

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

Debits

Total Appropriations	\$3,272.00
Supplemental Tax	3.00
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Total	\$3,275.00
Less Anticipated Excise Tax	57.00
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Total	\$3,218.00
William B. Watts, Coll., 1944 Tax	54.19
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	\$3,272.19
Plus Excise Tax, Wm. B. Watts, 1945 Tax	11.50
Plus Excise Tax, Eva Q. Richard, 1945-46 Tax	50.74
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Total	\$3,334.43

Credits

Wm. B. Watts, Cash to Treasurer, 1944 Tax	\$ 54.19
Eva Q. Richard, Cash to Treasurer, 1945 Tax	3,216.76
Wm. B. Watts, Excise Tax Paid Treasurer	11.50
Eva Q. Richard, Excise Tax Paid Treasurer	50.74
Abatement	1.24
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Total	\$3,334.43

All Taxes paid to date.

EVA Q. RICHARD, Tax Collector

REPORT OF TREASURER

Cash Balance, March 1, 1945	\$ 612.44	
Receipts for the year from:		
E. T. & Banking Co., loan	900.00	
E. T. & Banking Co., int. on school fund	.79	
State, Snow Removal	320.25	
State, 50-50	24.99	
State, Bank Stock Tax	3.84	
State, Equalization Fund	444.00	
State, School Fund	864.10	
State, Dog License Refund	.31	
Wm. B. Watts, Coll., 1944 Town Tax	54.19	
Wm. B. Watts, Coll., 1944 Excise Tax	11.50	
Eva Q. Richard, Coll., 1945 Town Tax	3,216.76	
Eva Q. Richard, Coll., 1945-'46 Excise Tax	50.74	
David Sinford, 1933 Tax	49.60	
Howard Watts, Weir Grant	5.00	
E. T. & B. Co., error on int. on note	6.06	
Postage Received	.05	
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Total Receipts		\$6,564.62
Warrants Paid	\$5,684.56	
Balance, Mar. 1, 1946	880.06	
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		\$6,564.62

RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH BAL.

Balance in Bank, Feb. 25, 1946	\$1,119.44	
Deposit, Feb. 28, 1946	40.85	
	<hr/>	\$1,160.29
Checks Outstanding		276.65
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		\$ 883.64
Surplus not accounted for		3.58
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Treasurer's Balance March 1, 1946		\$ 880.06

EVA Q. RICHARD, Acting Treasurer

*Annual Town Report***COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET****Assets March 1, 1945**

Cash	\$612.44	
Back Taxes	49.60	
1944 Taxes	54.19	
School Fund	52.65	
State Snow Fund	160.13	
50-50 Road	24.69	
Weir Grant	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$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	
	<hr/>	\$958.70

Assets March 1, 1946

Cash	\$ 880.06	
State Snow Account	320.25	
School Fund	52.65	
	<hr/>	\$1,252.96

Liabilities March 1, 1946

School Balance	\$ 228.61	
School Fund	52.65	
State Aid Road	300.00	
3rd Class Maintenance	43.68	
Cutting Bushes	63.68	
State Snow Removal	320.25	
Public Health	10.00	
Surplus	234.09	
	<hr/>	\$1,252.96

OFFICERS' SALARIES

Appropriation \$300.00

Expenditures

Superintendent's Salary	\$ 58.52 62.54
John B. Preston, Assessor	25.00
William B. Watts, Assessor	15.00
Joseph J. Richard, Assessor	15.00
Harlan P. Johnson, 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
Eva Q. Richard, Tax Collector	49.01
Charles C. Watts, Treasurer	65.65

Total ~~\$276.18~~ 271.50

Unexpended ~~\$ 23.82~~ 28.50

CONTINGENT ACCOUNT

Receipts

Appropriation	\$125.00
Overlay on Taxes	14.72
Bank Stock	3.84
Dog Tax Refund	.31
E. T. & B. Co., int. on note	6.06

Total \$149.93

Expenditures

E. T. & B. Co., int. on note	\$ 27.46
E. T. & B. Co., chrg. on check acct.	5.62
Loring Short & Harmon, books	5.00
Marks Printing House, book	1.60
S. M. Holway, auditing	25.00

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Parlin Printing Co., printing	35.50
Emily G. Bradbury, bonds	20.00
F. L. Cates, flags	1.32

 \$121.50

Unexpended

\$ 28.43

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING

Appropriation	\$10.00
Unexpended	\$10.00

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation	\$100.00
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Expenditures

Freeman Preston	\$ 28.52
Horace Preston	7.91
Eldred Bryant	2.39
Treasurer of State, grader	1.50
Collector of Internal Revenue	.60
Basil Smith	2.60
Frank Welch, gravel	1.50

 \$ 45.02

Unexpended

\$ 54.98

PATROL STATE AID ROAD

Appropriation	\$187.50
Expenditures	\$250.00
Overdraft	\$ 62.50

CUTTING BUSHES

Appropriation	\$60.00
Unexpended 1944 Balance	3.68

 Total

\$63.68

Unexpended

\$63.68

PATROL UNIMPROVED

Appropriation \$60.00

Expenditures

Freeman Preston	\$26.75
Horace Preston	4.86
Frank Welch, gravel	1.95
Collector Internal Revenue	.65

Total	\$34.21
Unexpended	\$25.79

50-50 ROAD

Appropriation \$25.00

Expenditures

Freeman Preston	\$16.05
Horace Preston	7.29
Frank Welch, gravel	1.65

Total	\$24.99
Unexpended	.01

STATE AID ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Balance March 1, 1945	\$300.00
Unexpended	\$300.00

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation	\$350.00	
State, Snow Removal	320.00	
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Total		\$670.00

Expenditures

Carroll Look	\$800.63	
Freeman Preston	7.05	
Freeman Preston, Jr.	3.30	
Horace Preston, Jr.	3.30	
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Total		\$814.28
Overdraft		\$144.28

THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	\$48.00	
From 1944 Balance	5.35	
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Total		\$53.35

Expenditures

Freeman Preston	\$ 5.43	
Eldred Bryant	2.39	
Collector Internal Revenue	.35	
Treasurer of State, grader	1.50	
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Total		\$ 9.67
Unexpended		\$43.68

TOWN POOR

No Appropriation
No Expenditures

TEMPORARY LOANS

Receipts

Eastern Trust & Banking Co. \$900.00

Expenditures

Eastern Trust & Banking Co. \$900.00

ABATEMENTS

No Appropriation

Abatement \$ 1.24

Overdraft \$ 1.24

STATE TAX

Appropriations \$348.06

Expenditures

Treasurer of State \$349.80

Overdraft \$ 1.74

COUNTY TAX

Appropriation \$215.83

Expenditures

County Treasurer \$216.98

Overdraft \$ 1.15

EXCISE TAX

From Collector \$62.24

Deducted from Appropriation \$57.00

Surplus \$ 5.24

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Due from State, Snow Removal	\$320.25
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SCHOOLS**Receipts**

Balance, Mar. 1, 1945	\$ 151.63	
Appropriation	1,400.00	
State School Fund	864.10	
Equalization Fund	444.00	
Int. on School Fund	.79	
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Total		\$2,860.52

Expenditures

Teaching	\$ 893.18	
Withholding Tax	110.80	
Janitors	132.75	
Tuition	381.00	
Office Help	11.92	
Conveyance	1,040.00	
Books and Supplies	62.26	
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Total		\$2,631.91
Unexpended Balance		\$ 228.61

**REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING
PROGRAM IN ROQUE BLUFFS**

This year, due to the lack of nurses, the public health nursing program has been somewhat curtailed. The visits made by the nurse had to be determined on the basis of greatest need. Each town has had nursing service available for any emergencies, such as: reported cases of tuberculosis, venereal disease, communicable disease and special school health problems. With the return to civilian life of many nurses from the armed forces the prospects of obtaining a more adequate staff for the coming year seems brighter.

The public health nurse made a total of 17 home visits in Roque Bluffs this year.

5 infants were visited to help the mothers with plans for daily care and special problems.

5 preschool children were visited to help the mothers continue the health habits started in infancy.

Work in the schools has consisted of visits by the nurse to the teacher to act as consultant on the health problems of the school. Homes were visited to help the family plan for medical care and correction of defects. 5 children were immunized against diphtheria at the clinic held in the school.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. EDNA WIRTH,

Supervising Nurse.

Annual Report

of the

Public Schools

of

Roque Bluffs

for the

FISCAL YEAR ENDING MARCH 1946

Superintending School Committee

Robert Watts	Term expires March 1946
Harlan Johnson	Term expires March 1947
Carl Smith	Term expires March 1948

Carl Smith, 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.

Our teacher for the year has been Miss Rena Foss. Miss Foss is a W. S. N. S. graduate and has had twenty-one years' teaching experience in the Machias Schools. I feel that we were especially fortunate to obtain someone with this educational background during this period of teacher shortage.

I sincerely hope that the citizens all realize just how critical the teaching situation is and I can assure them that the shortage will be even greater next year.

We were fortunate enough to obtain Mr. Ernest Morse to convey the pupils this year. I am pleased to report that he has performed the task in an excellent manner.

The janitor situation has been very unsatisfactory for the past year. Something must be done about this next year.

ENROLLMENT

Sub-1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Tl.	
	3	4	1	0	3	3	3	2	2	21

Tuition students at M. H. S.	3
'Tuition students at W. A.	1
Tuition students in Senior class	1

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

BUDGET

Estimated Expenditures

Teacher	\$1,200.00	
Janitor	125.00	
Conveyance	1,100.00	
Fuel	75.00	
Tuition	500.00	
Office	15.00	
Books	25.00	
Supplies	30.00	
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Total		\$3,070.00

Estimated Resources

Unexpended Balance	\$ 225.00	
State School Fund	850.00	
Equalization Fund	579.00	
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Total		\$1,654.00
Necessary to appropriate for schools		\$1,400.00
Necessary to appropriate for repairs		25.00

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Resources

Unexpended balance	\$ 151.63	
State School Fund	864.10	
Equalization Fund	444.00	
Int. on Reserved Land	.79	
Appropriation	1,400.00	
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Total		\$2,860.52

Expenditures

Teacher	\$ 893.18	
Janitors	132.75	
Conveyance	1,040.00	
Fuel	****	
Tuition	381.00	
Office	11.92	
Books	31.75	
Supplies	30.51	
With. Tax	110.80	
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Total		\$2,631.91
Unexpended balance		\$ 228.61

Due Teachers With. Tax, Jan. and Feb. \$21.60

Due Teachers Old Age Pension \$31.68

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**STATE OF MAINE**

To Harlan P. Johnson, 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-fifth day of March A. D. 1946, 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 1946 and 1947, 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 whether or not the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Dollars (\$25.00) to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80, Section 95, of the Revised Statutes of Maine.

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 quitclaim 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 eighteenth day of March, A. D. 1946.

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

Selectmen of Roque Bluffs

A true copy, attest:

Constable of Roque Bluffs.

