

Roseneath Roseneath/Hataitai Hataitai

1897

12th March 1897 A meeting of the residents of Roseneath was held at Mr. Pinny's residence last night for the purpose of considering the question of selecting a suitable site for a school. A committee was formed to inspect one or two suggested sites, and to bring up a report on Saturday evening. Twenty representatives of families were present

1st March 1897 The claim of Roseneath, Oriental Bay, for school accommodation is recognised in the annual report of the Education Board, and it is also pointed out that the rapid growth of Brooklyn has necessitated steps being taken to provide a school there

8th April Wellington Education Board: The needs of Roseneath, Oriental Bay, cannot be postponed much longer, as the near schools are all full, and have had to refuse admission.

7th May 1897 The chairman of the Education Board (Mr J. K. Blair) and Mr J- Robertson (a member of the Board) went out to Worser Bay to select a site for a school near the iron gates on the hill behind Mr John Marshall's house. The chairman also selected a site for a school at Roseneath.

28th July 1897 A large deputation from Clyde-quay and Roseneath interviewed the Education Board to-day as to the overcrowded state of the Clyde-quay School, and other matters. Mr. David. Robertson said the overcrowding was especially bad 'in the infant school. Already there were fully 20 children more than there should be attending, and there were some 20 or 30 waiting for admission. It was understood that the Board proposed to build a school at Roseneath, 'Which would afford some relief. The deputation suggested that a temporary room should be rented at once in the vicinity of Courtenay-place.

27th October 1897 Wellington Education Board: Plans were adopted for the new school at Roseneath, to accommodate 350 children, and tenders were ordered to be called.

23rd November 1897 At tomorrow's meeting the Education Board will open tenders for the erection of the Roseneath School, the Rintoul-street Infant School, and the alterations to be made to the Terrace School.

2nd December 1897 Wellington Education Board: The Board in committee accepted the lowest tenders for the Roseneath, Terrace, and Rintoul street Schools contracts.

8th December 1897 Wellington Education Board: The Chairman was authorised to take steps to institute new districts at Worser Bay, Roseneath, and Tane. [East of Eketahuna]

1898-1899

1898	71	Roseneath	Wilson	Henry	B1	Head Master	£275	
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1899	105	Roseneath	Wilson	Henry	B1	Head Master	£275	
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Henry Wilson started teaching for the Wellington Education Board as head teacher of Mangatainoka School North of Pahiatua from 1889 to 1897. He was at Roseneath from 1898 to 1901. Then didn't teach again for the Wellington Education Board until 1923 when he was head of Martinborough, Resigned 2nd July 1902 from Roseneath.

Phoebe Myers had a long successful career. She started at Thorndon Infants in 1881 and completed her pupil teacher stint at Thorndon. As an assistant female she was at Roseneath 1898 to 1901. In 1903 she was at Mt Cook Girls and in 1904 at Thorndon. Then after earning a B A she was secondary teaching at Petone DHS and from 1909 to at least 1919 she was at Hutt DHS still teaching Secondary Classes.

3rd June 1947 This Day Miss Phoebe Myers, sister of Sir Michael Myers, former Chief Justice, died yesterday.

Miss Myers, who was born in Nelson 80 years ago, became a very active figure in the world of education. Her service was spread over half a century. As a girl she attended the Thorndon School and the Girls' High School. Later she attended lectures at Canterbury University College, where she graduated, and soon afterward became demonstrator in biology/ at Victoria University College under the late Pro-, lessor H. B. Kirk.

Miss Myers was for some time associated with the teaching staff of the Lower Hutt High School. Twenty years ago she retired and, with her sister, Miss Eleanor Myers visited England. She attended the League of Nations conference at Geneva in 1929 as one of the New Zealand delegates under Sir James Parr, then High Commissioner for New Zealand in London.

Mabel Dix taught as a pupil teacher at Mount Cook Infants' in 1896, Thorndon Infants' 1897 and Roseneath in 1898.

Jessie L Davidson was a pupil teacher at Clyde Quay 1896 to 1898. Then she was at Roseneath 1899 to 1919 at least. In 1923 she was at Island Bay.

18th January 1898 It was expected that the new school which is so much required at Roseneath would be built early in the present year, but, as a result of the recent bush fires, the arrival of the timber from the Forty Mile Bush [Mauriceville to Pahiatua] has been delayed, and it will probably be some time before the building will be ready for occupation.

1st March 1898 Wellington Education Board: FRESH Tenders for the erection of the Roseneath School,

22nd March 1898 ROSENEATH. Bounded on the north and east by the sea, on the south by Section 2, Evans Bay District, and on the west by the Town Belt Reserve and Hay-street to the sea.

28th April 1898 Clyde Quay School: Some difficulty had been experienced through the year, owing to the crowded state of the school and to the consequent necessity for refusing applications for admission. Probably the early opening of the Roseneath School would relieve the demand for places. The committee reported' that another tender had been accepted for a school building at Roseneath, and that the work, if not already started, would be begun in a few days.

13th July 1898 Head Teacher Roseneath School; probable attendance, 50. Salary, about £225.

19th July 1898 The new school at Roseneath is practically finished, and the formal opening will take place immediately a teacher has been selected by the Education Board to take charge.

27th July 1898 The new School at Roseneath is to be opened with a *conversazione* [a scholarly social gathering held for discussion of literature and the arts.] probably on the afternoon of next Saturday week.

28th July 1898 That Wellington is not without its attractions from an educational standpoint is exemplified by the fact that no fewer than 75 applications have been received for the position of teacher of the new Roseneath School, worth about £200 per annum. The applicants are from far and wide.

28th July 1898 Mr. Henry Wilson, who has been selected to take charge of the new school at Roseneath, is a highly qualified teacher. He holds a B1 certificate and was at one time head master of the East Oxford School, Canterbury. On entering the service of the Wellington Board of Education he was appointed to a position in the Masterton School, and after a while he was placed in charge of the Mangatainoko School, where he now is. The salary at Roseneath will be £200 a year.

28th July 1928 Wellington Education Board Roseneath, £57 for fencing and asphaltting and approaches.

11th August 1898 The Education Board's relieving teacher, Mr. Davidson, has taken charge of the Mangatainoka. School, and will remain there until a permanent appointment is made in place of the former teacher, who was recently transferred to the charge of the new school at Roseneath.

15th August 1898 The opening of the new schoolroom at Roseneath was celebrated on Saturday afternoon by holding a social gathering, at which there was a good attendance, despite the inclement state of the weather. The building, which was erected by Mr. H. Humphries, of Greytown, is plain but substantial. It contains four medium-sized rooms, including the usual requisites for an up-to-date school. The Committee — Messrs. H. C. Trollope (Secretary), J. Wishart (Chairman), W. Belcher, T. Ward, P. Wats., S. P. Clements, and N. L. Gurr — has for a considerable time been labouring very assiduously to have the school erected and has now been rewarded for its trouble. The purpose of having the school erected at Roseneath is to draw a number of children from Oriental Bay who go to the Clyde-quay school, which is at the present time overcrowded.

Mr. Wishart (Chairman) read an apology from Mr. J.R. Blair (Chairman of the Education Board), who expressed regret at being unable to be present. Prior to introducing Sir Robert Stout, Mr. Wishart spoke of the arduous task they had had in erecting the school, and tendered thanks to the Clyde-quay Committee for valuable assistance.

Sir Robert Stout, in an interesting speech, referred to other countries as having been ruined through religious and other quarrels, and said it was the aim of our State to train up citizens who were bound together in a bond of fellowship. In his opinion children should be taught to think, as it was most important in a democratic country that the citizens should have intelligence to foresee the result of present actions and take a broad-minded view of things. Addresses were also given by Mr. Iteming (Inspector of Schools), and Mr. Robertson (Chairman of the Clyde-quay School Committee.)

A hearty vote of thanks was given to Sir Robert Stout for his address. In reply, Sir Robert advised the parents to hold many more gatherings similar to the one just held, and to form a literary and debating society, so as to be able to spend an enjoyable evening at Roseneath without coming into Wellington to see theatres and the like.

During the afternoon graphophone selections were given by Mr. S. Edinger, and songs, &c, by Mesdames Trim, Black, Gawler, and Messrs. Sawyer and Brewer. Miss Freeth played the accompaniments.

The school, which is capable of holding about 250 children, was opened this morning, when nearly 100 children attended, and it is expected that this number will be largely increased. Mr. H. Wilson, late of Mangatainoka' school, is headmaster.

20th August 1898 Wellington Education Board: Female assistant . Roseneath School. Salary, £80

1st September 1898 The Education Board has received 62 applications for the position of head teacher at the Mangatainoka school, 23 for the head teachership of the Manakau school, 28 for that of the Nireaha school, 25 for an assistant teachers in the Roseneath school,

2nd September 1898 Miss Phoebe Myers, at present on the staff of the Thorndon School, has been selected to become assistant teacher in the Roseneath School. Miss Myers holds the degree of B.A. and has been in the Board's service for 10 years.

23rd September 1898 Wellington Education Board TENDERS will be received at the above office up to Monday, the 26th inst., for the Erection of a Coal and Wood Shed at the Roseneath School. Plans and specifications at my office. THOS. TURNBULL, Architect to the Board.

29th September 1898 In committee yesterday the Education Board accepted the tender of Mr. Allen for the erection of shelter sheds at Roseneath.

11th November 1898 The concert held in the Roseneath School last evening in aid of the school fund was highly successful, the room being packed. Mr. E. J. Hill sang two numbers, and in each case had to respond to an emphatic encore, as also did Mrs. Greenwood for her two selections. Mr. Morris Fox was in the happiest vein, and his humorous items secured encores. Misses Danby, Freeth, and Bendall played pianoforte solos, and Miss Rigg and Messrs. L. Hales, Wilson, and Waters contributed songs, which were well received. Two of Scott Gatty's plantation songs, rendered by Messrs. Williamson, Meredith, Gillon, Waters, and Wilson provided an effective finale to the entertainment. Miss Freeth and Miss Brewer presided at the piano.

7th December 1898 The second of the series of concerts organised by the Committee in aid of the school fund will be held in the Roseneath Schoolroom on Thursday, the 8th inst. A powerful committee has worked hard to make the affair a success, and a large and entertaining programme, which is published in full in our advertising columns, will be submitted. The object of the concert, the intrinsic merits of the items to be given, and the moderate charge should ensure a bumper audience.

21st January 1899 A picnic for the children attending the Roseneath School is to be held at Cabbage Tree Flat, the children to assemble at the school at 10 a.m.. Those who have bought tickets for the proposed social and dance in the schoolroom the same evening are asked to watch for the advertisement in Monday's Post.

23rd January 1899 The Roseneath School Committee having refused the use of the school, the "social" and dance announced will not take place.

24th January 1899 The Roseneath State School children held their picnic at Cabbage Tree Flat and spent the time pleasantly with sports, games, etc. [Wellington anniversary day]

24th January 1899 ROSENEATH SCHOOL PICNIC. THE Ladies' Committee desire to sincerely thank all those who contributed ' , so liberally to the above picnic. MISS PERHAM, Sec. Ladies' Committee

24th January 1899 A picnic in connection with the Roseneath State School was held at Cabbage Tree Flat. The children, to the number of about 80, assembled at the school in the morning, and marched four deep along the Roseneath road to the picnic ground. Here their numbers were considerably supplemented. ' Races for both the boys and the girls were held, under the superintendence of Mr Wilson, the headmaster., Games of various: kinds filled in , a very enjoyable day. Refreshments were provided by the parents, and a gift of ten dozen soft drinks by Mr Lewis, of Messrs Thomson, Lewis and Co., was specially appreciated. The Picnic - Committee was composed; of the following ladies.:—Miss Perham 'Mesdames White. Beck, Cording, Coombe and' T. Watt. It had been arranged to hold a “ social ” and dance in the schoolroom in the evening, but on ” Saturday the school committee intimated that the use of the building’ could not be granted. Many of ; the adult picnickers, however, ended the; 'day-pleasantly at a social gathering at Mr' John Coombe’s residence.

23rd February 1899 A local firm of solicitors applied on behalf of a client for a right-of-way through the Roseneath property. The solicitors stated in support of their claim that the Board was aware of their client's right when the property was purchased, but this the Chairman denied, and the request was not granted.

6th April 1899 An entertainment will be held in the Roseneath School in aid of the school funds. The Modern Merlins, who have undertaken to give an exhibition of magic up to date, are performers of well-known excellence in their particular line.

8th April 1899 The entertainment given in the Roseneath School last evening was worthy of better weather. As it was, a very fair audience assembled there, and appeared to thoroughly enjoy the many excellent items of the programme. The juggling of Messrs. Liardet and Palethorpe was a feature of the entertainment. Mr. E. D. Hales sang the "Yeoman's Wedding" in an excellent style, and made what is probably a last appearance, as he is leaving shortly to take up his residence in Sydney. Miss Freeth contributed in no small measure to the success of the evening, by presiding at the piano.

25th April 1899 A crowded meeting was held in the Roseneath School. Mr, J. Wishart presided, and read the report and balance sheet, the latter showing a credit of £2 14s 4d. The head master (Mr. Wilson) gave an. encouraging report of the year's work in the school. The report and balance-sheet were adopted, and the following Committee was elected for the current year : —Messrs. R. Dixon, C. Copeland, W. J. Helyer, T. Ward, N. L. Gurr, A. M, Lewis, and W. W, O'Brien. The Committee met afterwards, and passed a special vote of thanks to Mr. J. Wishart, the Chairman of last Committee, for his services, regret being expressed that he did not see his way to stand for election again* The Chairman and Secretary will be elected at a meeting to-night

27th April 1899 The appointment of an additional assistant at Roseneath was approved, the post to be advertised.

27th April 1899 Roseneath School Committee, Mr Norman L. Gurr was elected chairman and Mr Robt. Dixon secretary

5th May 1899 Assistant, Roseneath School. Salary, .£80 23rd May :There were 29 applicants for this position.

1st June 1899 Wellington Education Board: o defer for further consideration application from Roseneath for fencing to cost £25.

2nd June 1899 Miss Jessie Davidson has been appointed assistant at Roseneath

15th July 1899 Education Board Office, Wellington, 14th July, 1899. TENDERS will be received at this office up to 10 am. Monday for Fencing, &c., required at the Roseneath School. Specifications to be seen at Mrs. Williams'* Store, Roseneath, and at this office

17th July 1899 A' concert has been arranged to take place in the Roseneath School on Wednesday evening, for the benefit of the school funds which are somewhat depleted. A ' good programme is being arranged by a committee of ladies

18th July 1899 Apparently, very little has been arranged in Wellington in the way of tree planting on Arbor Day (to-morrow). At Roseneath, however, the residents und school-children will do some planting in the school grounds, a choice collection of trees and shrubs having been obtained for the purpose. They will hold a "social" in the School-house in the evening

20th July 1899 At Roseneath many trees were planted in the State school grounds by the children and their parents. The committee expressed satisfaction at the class of trees presented by the City Council and Messrs H- C. Gibbons and Co. Owing to the inclement weather last night, there was not a large number at the social held' in the schoolliou.se. . Musical items were contributed by Mrs Hill, Misses Freeth and .Davidson and Messrs Hill, Freeth, Hanson and Gurr.

21st July 1899 WANTED, a Caretaker (male) for the Roseneath School. Particulars as to duties, etc., to be seen at Oriental Bay store, where application! must be left not later than Monday afternoon next.

19th August 1899 A concert was held in the Roseneath School-room last evening and drew a large audience. Items were contributed by Misses Spiller and H. Runcie, and Messrs. E. J. Hill, Haselden, and Sayer. Skirt and tambourine dances by Miss H. Runcie wero features of the entertainment. At the conclusion of the concert a dance was held, Mrs. Vaughan supplying the music. The piano was lent by the Dresden Company. Miss Perham was Secretary to the Committee.

16th December 1899 At the breaking-up ceremony of the Roseneath School, Mr. A. M. Lewis (Acting Chairman of the Committee) presided, and conveyed congratulations upon the excellent results in passes obtained at the examinations. He then handed a sealed envelope, containing a Christmas card, to each infant, a present from the teacher (Miss Myers). Then came a good assortment of books, presented by the headmaster (Mr, Wilson) and the Committee. Before breaking up the Chairman called for three cheers for Mr. Wilson and Misses Davidson and Myers, which were lustily given by the scholars. The following are the names of the prize-takers : — Standard VII.. Jean Gordon ; Standard VI., Harold Thirkell Standard V., Violet Lewis; Standard IV. Amy Belcher ; Standard III, Arthur Thirkell 1, Aileen Shields 2, Doris Pinney, and Dorothy Ward commended ; Standard' II., Robert Dixon 1, Louisa Turnbull 2, Mary Watt 3, May Weller and John Solan commended, Murray Wishart progress. Special prizes were awarded to Agnes Highet and Grace Christopherson for excellence of work, also Lilian Watt and Harold Smith for best conduct. It is intended to hold

a school picnic about the 25th January, when it is hoped, that the Committee will be able to arrange for a trip over the Rimutaka.

1900-1901

1900	113	Roseneath	Wilson	Henry	B1	Head Master	£275	
1900	113	Roseneath	Davidson	Jessie L	D4	Assistant Female	£80	
1900	113	Roseneath	Myers	Phoebe	B2	Assistant Female	£80	
1901	121	Roseneath	Wilson	Henry	B1	Head Master	£245	£50.00
1901	121	Roseneath	Myers	Phoebe	B2	Assistant Female	£90	
1901	121	Roseneath	Davidson	Jessie L	D4	Assistant Female	£80	

11th January 1900 A very successful entertainment was held in the Roseneath Schoolroom last night, in aid of the fund for providing the children's annual picnic. A number of selections were given by means of a phonograph lent by Mr. Woollams, and three recitations were contributed by Mr. C. Hall

21st April 1900 The entertainment given in the Roseneath School-room last night in aid of the school gymnasium was a great success. Items were contributed by Mesdames Maine and W. Stevens, Misses Gurr, Cuddon, Davidson, and Messrs. Hales and J. E. Read, and the school children.

24th April 1900 Roseneath Committee. — Messrs. Lewis, Ward, Wishart, Pinny, O'Brien, Smith, and Dixon. Messrs. Lewis and Dixon were elected Chairman and Hon. Secretary respectively.

31st May 1900 The [Wellington Education] Board decided to assist the Roseneath Committee in the work of connecting the school buildings with the city drainage system.

18th July 1900 It was the intention of the -Roseneath School Committee to have observed Arbor Day in a practical manner By planting the school grounds with suitable trees. As, however, the majority of the members of the Committee did not find today convenient for the labour, it was decided to do the beautifying work on Saturday next. A general holiday was observed in the city this afternoon. The Government offices, banks, and insurance offices - were closed all day.

26th July 1900 In a review of salaries paid by the Wellington Education Board review of salaries many teachers were being overpaid. Mr H Wilson Roseneath was found to being underpaid by £20 per annum.

12th December 1900 A concert was held last night at the Roseneath Church room on behalf of the picnic of the- Roseneath public school. The room was packed, and encores were the rule of the evening. The following contributed towards an excellent programme: — Miss Innes, Mesdames S. Williams and Lewis, Messrs. Innes, Brown, McElwain, Howe, and Thawley. The scholars rendered in good style four action songs, under Misses Myers and Davidson. At the close of the concert the Chairman (Mr. A. M. Lewis) thanked all those who had provided such a pleasant evening, and a hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Pinney for supplying the use of a piano gratuitously. He also announced that the Chairman of the Board (Mr. J. R. Blair) had consented to present the prizes won by the scholars on the morning of the 20th instant.

20th December 1900 The breaking up of the Roseneath Public "School for the Christmas holidays took place at 10.30 this morning, when Mr. J. R. Blair (Chairman of the Education Board) presented the prizes. Mr. Blair afterwards called for three cheers for the teachers and committee, which were heartily given by the scholars.

28th December 1900 The prize-list of the Roseneath School is as follows:— Below Standard I,—W. Smith, H. Ackroyd, E. Sawers, M. Henderson, J. Woods, A. Scott, G. Hughes, T. Peterson, H. Watt, D. Turnbull, Z. Poole, J. Henderson, J. Kertland, C. Jones. Standard I. — R. Lamb, 1 ; S. Gilkes, 2 ; W. Newnham, 3 ; L. Dear, 4; V. Christophersen, 5; H. Woller, 6. Standard II -F. Schultz, 1; P. Newnham, 2; J. Smith, 3. Standard III— A. Pollen and F. Low, 1 ; R. Dixon, 3. Standard IV.— N. Murphy, 1 ; D. Ward, 2 ; A. Shields and V. Muir, 3. Standard V.— E. Pfankuch, 1; H. Lewis, 2; A. Highet, 3. Standard VI.— G. Christophersen, 1 ; V. Lewis, 2. -Standard VII. —I. Turnbull, 1. Dux, Hilda Wilson. Special prizes — Mapping : D. Ward, H. Smith, W. Low. Spelling: H. O'Brien and A. Belcher. Quick arithmetic: H. Thirkell, N. Copeland. Special progress : L. Christophersen. Good conduct : W. Copeland, M. Giikes, M. Watt, H. Smith, L. Watt. Writing: H. Price. Most popular- boy: H. O'Brien. Most popular girl: W. Low.

30th January 1901 Wellington Education Board Listed some teacher's current salary and their proposed increase: Roseneath P Myers £80 increase of £10

23rd April 1901 Roseneath. — There was » record meeting of householders, and it was shown that over £60 had been contributed by the district to the school funds, and that a small credit balance remained. There were 150 scholars to-day, showing an increase of 20 during the year. The following were chosen as the new Committee : — Messrs. R. Dixon, Copeland, Smith, Wishart, Pinny, Gordon, and Ward. The chairman and Secretary are to' be appointed ' at the first meeting of the committee

1st May 1901 The Roseneath School Committee last night elected Mr. James Wishart as its Chairman, and Mr. Robert Dixon as Secretary. ,

14th June 1901 concert was held in the Roseneath Church room last night in aid of the funds of the State .school. Several items were given by the children, in a manner which reflected credit upon their teachers — Misses Myers and Davis. Five of the pupils under little Winnie Lowe, performed some club drill very well, and were encored. Songs and recitations were given by Messrs Norman Hales, Turnbull, Cooper, Hunt, Howe, and McElwain, Messrs. Hales and McElwain receiving double encores.

24th June 1901 Teachers salary commission report included: Miss Myers, assistant at Roseneath, gave evidence to the effect that she had charge of the infants at the school, the average attendance being 120. Her salary was £80, but under the suggested amended scale it would be £110. She had had eight years' service under the Wellington Board, besides private teaching experience. Witness held an E2 certificate and a University degree. The present salaries were too low^ and if witness had her time over again she would not go in for teaching unless bettor inducement and remuneration were offered. Female teachers ' in Wellington* "were not satisfied with the present rate of pay. She would like to see more openings mode for female teachers who are capable. The suggested scale gave increased opportunities, but not sufficient. Girls ought to be taught solely by women. Witness believed in the separation of the sexes. Had applied unsuccessfully-' for vacancies at other schools. Witness saw great difficulty in the' way of a colonial scale of payment and would not like to

be called upon to prepare one. Pupil teachers, at present had far too much to do to enable them to follow up their studies properly. Witness personally thought there should be a distinction' between the pay of . male and female teachers but was not prepared to say to what extent. Continued on in same vein

11th December 1901 Wellington Education Board: It was decided to grant extended leave for nine months to Miss Myers, assistant teacher at Roseneath without pay.

1902-1903

1902	101	Roseneath	Bary	Charles	D1	Head Master	£225	£30.00
1902	101	Roseneath	Davidson	Jessie L	D3	Assistant Female	£105	
1902	101	Roseneath	Bird	Florence R	E3	Female Pupil Teacher	£50	
1903	131	Roseneath	Bary	Charles	D1	Head Master	£219	£30.00
1903	131	Roseneath	Davidson	Jessie L	D3	Mistress	£100	
1903	131	Roseneath	Bird	Florence R	E3	Assistant Female	£80	

Charles Bary started his career for the Wellington Education Board at Newtown in 1884 as an Assistant Master. In 1889 he was Headmaster for one year at Pahautanui. Then from 1890 to 1901 he was back at Newtown 1902 to 1909 he was headmaster at Roseneath. Then from 1910 to 1921 he was Headmaster of Mt Cook Boys'/In 1923 he was headmaster of Berhampore School with a roll of 521.

Phoebe Myers started her career as a pupil teacher in 1881 at Thorndon Infants' From 1882 to 1897 she was a pupil teacher at Thorndon School. Then from 1898 to 1901 she was at Roseneath. In 1903 she at Mt Cook Girl's and 1904 at Thorndon. From 1905 to 1908 she was teaching secondary classes at Petone DHS with a BA and from 1901- to at least 1919 she was secondary teaching at Hutt DHS Retired in April 1921

20th February 1902 A well-attended concert was given by the Roseneath Musical and Dramatic Club on Tuesday evening in aid of the school picnic fund. Songs were contributed by Messrs. H. Fraser, J. Sinclair, Corrick, N. Hales, G. Weller, H. Sinclair, and Misses A. O'Brien and E. Young. Recitations were given by Miss M. Young and Mr. H. Dunford.

26th February 1902 ROSENEATH SCHOOL. WANTED, a Caretaker for the above. Apply to J. Wishart, Chairman.

12th March 1902 Miss Bird will be relieving teacher at the Roseneath State School in the absence of Miss Myers, who will leave in the course of a few days on a visit to Europe

29th April 1902 ROSENEATH. The meeting held in the Roseneath schoolroom was attended by about thirty householders. ' Mr J. Wishart was voted to the chair. The report of the outgoing committee was read by Mr R. Dixon (secretary). It stated that the committee regretted that there had been a falling off in the attendance, in consequence of which the capitation allowance had been reduced from £6 to £5 per quarter. The school was in danger of losing a teacher if there was any further falling off. Since December twenty-four pupils had left the school, and fourteen new ones had been enrolled. There were at present 121 pupils, against 131 at the end of December. The receipts and expenditure showed a credit balance of £7. The school was indebted to Mr Colquhoun for his assistance in obtaining a piano, as well as cricket materials and a donation. The Roseneath Musical and Dramatic Club had donated £11 6s 6d in subscriptions, and the proceeds of an entertainment. In November, 1891, the Education Board had asked the committee if it would hoist the flag. Although a reply was sent, nothing had since been heard of the matter. After a lengthy discussion, during which various matters between the schoolmaster and householders were ventilated, the adoption of the report and balance-sheet was moved and carried.

On the motion of Mr Geo. Hurley, a vote of thanks was accorded the retiring committee, and the officers of the school. The election of the committee resulted in the return of Messrs "Wishart, J. Smith, T. Ward, L. Gordon, K. Dixon (re-elected), R. W. Turnbull and G. Thirkell.

5th June 1904 A successful entertainment in aid of the funds of the Roseneath School was held by the local Musical and Dramatic Club, in the church room last evening. Songs were given by Messrs H. Fraser, Gordon, Weller, H. Sinclair, J. Sinclair, and N. Hales ; a gramophone selection by Mr. A. Petrie, and a violin solo by Mr. A. Duncan. An amusing farce entitled, "Oh What a Day," concluded an enjoyable evening

12th June 1902 Head Master, Roseneath School; average attendance, 121. Salary, .£225 3s, and .£30 rent allowance.

26th June 1902 Wellington Education Board accepted Mr H Wilson's resignation

4th July 1902 Appointment confirmed: Roseneath. headmaster Mr. Charles Bary, now first assistant at Newtown

29th August 1902 The cadet corps attached to the Karori, Levin, Newtown, Otaki, and Roseneath Schools have been officially recognised

30th August 1902 Mr. C. Bary who has been connected with the Newtown School for a period of eighteen years, for a long time as 'first assistant master, was last evening met by the committee and presented with a silver fruit service. Several members of the committee paid tribute to the excellent work Mr. Bary had done for the school, and while regretting his loss, complimented him upon his promotion as head master of the Roseneath School, Mr. Bary as also received gifts from the head master the school staff, and the scholars

[I could find no record of Mr Wilson's departure]

29th January 1903 Wellington Education Board The following grants were sanctioned for effecting repairs, etc., at the schools mentioned—;included Roseneath, £22.

18th December 1903 A concert was held in the Roseneath Schoolroom last night, the Roseneath Dramatic Club combining with the scholars, as a means of raising a contribution towards the school picnic funds. There was a crowded house. The school closed down this morning.

1904-1906

1904	152	Roseneath	Bary	Charles	D1	Head Master	£228	£30.00
1904	152	Roseneath	Davidson	Jessie L	D3	Mistress	£105	
1904	152	Roseneath	Bird	Florence R	E3	Assistant Female	£80	
1905	144	Roseneath	Bary	Charles	D1	Head Master	£233	£30.00
1905	144	Roseneath	Davidson	Jessie L	D2	Mistress	£105	
1905	144	Roseneath	Bird	Florence R	E3	Assistant Female	£80	
1906	158	Roseneath	Bary	Charles	D1	Head Master	£235	£30.00
1906	158	Roseneath	Barrett	Henry R	D3	Assistant Master	£115	
1906	158	Roseneath	Davidson	Jessie L	D2	Assistant Female	£110	
1906	158	Roseneath	Bird	Florence R	E3	Assistant Female	£90	

Henry R Barrett was a pupil teacher at Te Aro in 1902. An assistant teacher at Carterton in 1903. Then sole teacher in 1904 and 1905 at Horoea [North of Pongaroa under the PUKETOIS] then in 1906 at Roseneath. Didn't teach again for the Wellington Education Board.

29th January 1904 William Carlile won a Wellington Education District Scholarship

12th February 1904 In connection with the Roseneath School picnic at Day's Bay to-morrow a reminder is given that the s.s. Duchess makes a special trip at 9 a.m.

19th February 1904 Drawing Examination scholarship awards. 50 awarded Roseneath: Agnes Highet and Dorothy Ward.

26th April 1904 Roseneath. —The election of the Roseneath School Committee resulted in the return of Messrs J. Wishart, W. Wolland, J. Smith, P. Watt, T. Gordon, G. Thirkell and R. Turnbull. Mr Wishart was re-elected chairman and Mr Smith was appointed treasurer and secretary. The householders expressed extreme regret at the resignation of Messrs R. Dixon and G. Scott. The annual report showed that during the past two years the average attendance of the school had nearly doubled. The reports from the inspectors had been very "satisfactory, and general approval was expressed at the capable management of the school.

3rd June 1904 A complimentary "social" was given by members of the School Committee and residents of Roseneath last night to Mr. R. Dixon, as an acknowledgment of services rendered to the school by him during his term as Secretary of the committee. Mr. J. Wishart, who was in the chair, presented a handsome . afternoon tea-set to Mr. Dixon on behalf of the company, and Mr. Dixon suitably replied to the complimentary remarks made. The evening was spent with a concert and dance

30th June 1904 IN AID OF FUNDS ROSENEATH SCHOOL. To be opened at 8 o'clock TO-NIGHT By the RIGHT HON. R. J. SEDDON, P. O.. LL.D. Modelling, Drawing, and Needlework by Pupils. Unique Collections of Works of Art and Rare and Valuable Curios. Musical Programmes by best Local Talent. Competitions in Hat Trimming, Elocution, Nail Driving, and Singing. PUNCH AND JUDY, BRAN TUBS. Don't miss this opportunity of seeing what Local Talent and Industry can produce for the low figure of 6d and 3d.

1st September 1904 The concluding scene in connection with the Industrial Exhibition recently] held at the Roseneath School took place last night, when the prizes were presented to the successful children by Mr. W.H. P. Barber, M.H.R. The proceedings were enlivened by a short programme consisting of songs by the Misses T, Peterson, F. Low, by Master's S. Booth and T. Spearman. Mr. Barber congratulated the prize-winners, and in concluding his remarks expressed, himself as surprised at the high standard attained by the little performers in the various items. To mark this appreciation he invited thirty of the senior girls and! boys to the House of Representatives some afternoon, and also intimated his intention to .present 200 chrysanthemum plants for distribution among the pupils of the school. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to Mr. Barber on the motion of the Chairman. The meeting concluded with the singing of the National Anthem.

19th January 1905 Wellington Education Board: Tender called for painting and repairs. Roseneath

27th January 1905 The Education Board has accepted the tender of Golder and Co., at £21, for painting and repairs at the Roseneath School,

14th March 1905 Roseneath Male assistant £100

6th April 1905 Thorndon Baths Swimming Championships: To decide the championships, 50 yds [Yards One yard = 0.9144 meters] and 100 yds races were swum off last night. H. Price won the 50 yds in 38.25 , The 100 yds was one of the hardest fought boys' races seen in Wellington. The two boys went stroke for stroke — first one would gain a few inches, and then the other. This continued until the finish, when H. Price, putting forth all that was in

him, won by a touch. Time, 1 min 25 sec. H. Price, of Roseneath School, thus wins the Schoolboys' Championship, and gets the Association's gold medal. Baumgart, of Wellington College, is second

26th April 1904 he annual meeting of householders of the Roseneath School District was presided over by Mr. J. Smith. The report stated that the Committee had carried through a great amount of work in connection with the school. The balance sheet showed that a total of about £120 had been collected during the year, of , which sum only £31 18s 3d was received from the Education Board, while the expenditure amounted to £106 13s 2d leaving a balance in hand of £13 3s. Mr, Bary, the headmaster, in his report mentioned that one of his pupils had gained a scholarship at the recent examinations, and another boy had not only carried Off the swimming championship of the school . but- had also won the swimming championship of the Wellington school district. The Inspector's reports showed, the work of the school had progressed very satisfactorily. The following were elected as the Committee for the ensuing . year :— Messrs. P. Watt (Chairman), J. Smith (Secretary and Treasurer, re-elected), T. Gordon, W. Wolland, G. W, Thirkell, H. T. Roy, and C. B. Taylor

29th August 1905 Yesterday afternoon, at the suggestion of the headmaster, Mr Bary. the Wellington secretary of the Navy League addressed the senior pupils of the Roseneath School in reference to the aims and objects of the league. The youngsters showed great interest in the matter, and a large number of them intimated that they were desirous of becoming members of the league.

15th December 1905 Mr. Barber, M.H.R., in opening the Roseneath School Flower Show last night, eulogised the endeavours of the committee to further the- ambition in horticulture amongst the children, and said that although the result was small at present, the real result would come on later. A very fine collection of flowers grown in the district is on exhibition. During the evening musical items were contributed by Misses E. East, Delia Thirkell, Ida Belcher, Rita Rodgers, Doris, and Thelma Barry Marjorie Richardson, Mr. Black, -and Master V. Lewis, and a fancy dance was performed by the Ryder Sisters. The show will be open again tonight.

16th March 1906 fencing at Roseneath, W. Farrelly, • £21 13s 6d

29th March 1906 Wellington Education Board: On the recommendation, of the Works Committee it was agreed to make application to the Defence Department for use of a section adjoining the playground at Roseneath.

31st August 1906 On the recommendation of the Clerk of Works the Education Board authorised Roseneath —Trusses 'for strengthening western wall (three stays).

20th December 1906 Wellington Education Board: Roseneath Male assistant £90

1907-1909

1907	158	Roseneath	Bary	Charles	D1	Head Master	£250.00	£35.00
1907	158	Roseneath	Davidson	Jessie L	D2	Assistant Female	£130.00	
1907	158	Roseneath	Bird	Florence R	E2	Assistant Female	£115.00	
1907	158	Roseneath	Taylor	Cuthbert H		Assistant Master	£85.00	
1908	162	Roseneath	Bary	Charles	D1	Head Master	£250.00	£35.00
1908	162	Roseneath	Davidson	Jessie L	D2	Assistant Female	£130.00	

1908	162	Roseneath	Bird	Florence R	E2	Assistant Female	£115.00	
1908	162	Roseneath	Taylor	Cuthbert H		Assistant Master	£85.00	
1909	157	Roseneath	Bary	Charles	D1	Head Master	£255.00	£35.00
1909	157	Roseneath	Davidson	Jessie L	D2	Assistant Female	£135.00	
1909	157	Roseneath	Bird	Florence R	E2	Assistant Female	£125.00	
1909	157	Roseneath	Kay	Florence E		Assistant Female	£90.00	
1909	157	Roseneath	Beetham	Naomi		FP2	£35.00	

Cuthbert H Taylor was a pupil teacher at Hutt DHS in 1905-1906. In 1907 and 08 he was at Roseneath school in 1909 he was at Kilbirnie and 1910 to 1913 he was at Te Aro with an MA. In 1916 he signed up with armed forces. In March 1924 he was appointed Crown Solicitor in Wellington In 1949 he was national party candidate for the Miramar Electorate

Florence E Kay Taught at Thorndon in 1905 and Masterton 1906 as a pupil teacher. Then a gap of two years when she presumably was at training college followed by 1909 and 1910 at Roseneath.

1912/1939	Florence Esther	Kay	Willie Hewlett Percy	Robieson
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After marriage lived in the Wairarapa

Naomi Beetham taught as a pupil teacher at Roseneath 1909 Mt Cook infants' 1910-1912 and as Mauriceville East as a substitute in 1914

20th February 1907 Wellington Education Board: Miss [Sic] C Taylor appointed assistant Roseneath

28th March 1907 Wellington Cadets Arrangements are being made for the transport to Christchurch on April 6th of about 450 public school cadets. Of this number 220 belong to the No. 1 Wellington Battalion (under Major Foster), which includes Roseneath School

17th August 1907 WELLINGTON EDUCATION BOARD. TENDERS for laying Water Service, to Roseneath School, will be received at the Education Board Office, Wellington, up to Noon of Thursday, 22nd August.

30th August 1907 Wellington Education Board: he tenders of C. W. Martin for work at the Roseneath School, of S. Strand at the Hutt School, of H. Trotman at Greytown, and of Saunders Bros.) (desks) were accepted.

25th October 1907 Wellington Education Board Leave of absence granted to Miss F. Bird, assistant teacher at Roseneath (three weeks from October 13)

19th December 1907 The prizes given to the city and suburban primary schools by the Chamber of Commerce in connection with arithmetic, composition, and writing were presented this afternoon by the president (Mr. J. G. Harkness) included Edith Parker Roseneath Writing.

11th January 1908After the ceremony the party was driven to Roseneath school, where a reception was held, attended by about forty relatives and friends, followed in the evening by a "social," at which 360 guests were present.

24th March 1908 The Roseneath School held two races at the To Aro 'Baths last evening. They resulted as follows :—50 yds: — 50 yds Boys' Race. -B. Hurley 1, C Tollan 2. 25 yds Rave.-C. Williams I, W. Herd 2. Diving.—P. Tollan 1, C. Williams 2.

28th April 1908 A well-attended but quiet meeting of householders took place at the Roseneath School last night. In the annual report reference was made to a tennis court which

had been partly constructed with the help of the elder boys of the school. When completed it should prove a valuable adjunct to the school and be a means of adding considerably to the school funds. Water had at last been laid on to the school from the city mains. Thanks were given to the D.I.C. for their kindness in presenting a guinea's [A Guinea was 21 shillings] worth of prizes at the picnic sports. The inspector's reports were most Satisfactory. [The roll is 179] The statement of finances showed after providing for all receipts and expenditure a credit balance of £9 18s 8d. The following committee was elected for the year : — Messrs. J. Smith, A. B. Khull, P. Watt, C. S. Falconer, G. C. Highet, T. Taylor, and W. Fareilly. Messrs. Smith and I Khull were re-elected chairman and secretary respectively.

1st July 1908 ROSENEATH SCHOOL. WRITTEN Applications for the Position of Caretaker for the above School will be received up to 5 p.m. on MONDAY NEXT, 6th July. J. SMITH, Chairman

28th August 1908 Leave of Absence granted to Miss Davidson, Roseneath (to September 4)

26th February 1909 A change has also been made in the officer commanding the Roseneath School Cadets, Mr. C. H. Taylor being appointed vice Mr. Bary, resigned

2nd March 1909 Probationers are appointed and will become teachers included Miss N Beetham (Roseneath)

18th March 1909 Swimming proficiency certificates Arthur W Bend (Roseneath School swum in the Te Aro Baths 1000 yards (914.4 metres)

27th April 1909 This meeting was attended by some forty residents. Mr. Bary, the headmaster, in his report, stated that the inspectors in their reports of the work of the school had complimented the staff on the excellent results obtained, there being only one failure in the whole school. The number on the roll was slightly less than last year, but this was caused, in the headmaster's opinion, by the depression in trade, which had caused a number of families to remove from the district. The committee's report stated that much had been done during the year, the principal work being the levelling of the school ground in order to make a playground and tennis court for the children. This was well in hand, but there was still a considerable portion to be finished. The householders present expressed their gratification both to the staff and the outgoing committee. The balance-sheet showed the school to be in a healthy position. The following were elected as the committee for the ensuing year: — Messrs! J. Smith (chairman), A. E. Khull (secretary and treasurer), A. B. Gray, P. Watt, T. Taylor, W. Brooke Taylor, H. W- Burgess

30th April 1909 leave of absence: Mr. C. Taylor, assistant Roseneath (three weeks from 20th March)

8th July 1909 Roseneath appointment MISS S Kay assistant mistress

24th November 1909 TENDERS for the - Erection of Concrete Retaining Wall, Roseneath School Site, will be received at the Education Board Office up to 10 a.m. of -THURSDAY, 25th NOVEMBER. Contract awarded 27th November to H Biggs concrete wall.

26th November 1909 It was decided that the latrines at various suburban schools — Roseneath, Kilbirnie, Northland, Island Bay, Maranui, Wadestown— be converted to the water system, and connected with drainage as soon as convenient after it is laid in the respective districts, the existing buildings to be used where practicable. The work at Roseneath will be proceeded with at once.

11th December 1909 Wellington Education Board: Mount Cook — Headmaster, Mr. C. Bary, at present headmaster at Roseneath.

16th December 1909 Pupils aged under 15 years who have qualified for free secondary education: Roseneath. Boys,—A.. Bird, C Downes. K Huffam , Girls.-T.: Bary, A Bolton, D. Rogers.

22nd December 1909 Mr. Robert Darroch, who has for some years past been headmaster of the Mitchelltown School, has been appointed to succeed Mr. C. Bary as headmaster of Roseneath School. Mr. Bary, as was announced last week, has been appointed to the charge of the Mount Cook Boys' School, vice Mr. W. Foster, who is to succeed Mr. James Home as headmaster at Petone.

1910-1911

1910	141	Roseneath	Darroch	Robert	D1	Head Master	£250.00	£35.00
1910	141	Roseneath	Davidson	Jessie L	D2	Assistant Female	£140.00	
1910	141	Roseneath	Bird	Florence R	E2	Assistant Female	£130.00	
1910	141	Roseneath	Kay	Florence E	D4	Assistant Female	£95.00	
1910	141	Roseneath	Stainton	William H		MP1	£50.00	
1911	146	Roseneath	Darroch	Robert	D1	Head Master	£255.00	£35.00
1911	146	Roseneath	Davidson	Jessie L	D2	Assistant Female	£145.00	
1911	146	Roseneath	Bird	Florence R	E2	Assistant Female	£135.00	
1911	146	Roseneath	Stainton	William H		MP2	£55.00	
1911	146	Roseneath	Davis	John F	D4	MP1	£50.00	

Robert Darroch was a pupil teacher at Carterton School 1888 to 1891. In 1892-1893 he was an assistant at Pahiatua. From 1895 to 1898 he was an assistant master at Masterton school. Then in 1902 to 1906 he was an assistant at Te Aro. 11907 to 1909 he was Headmaster at Mitchelltown in the Hutt Valley before coming to Roseneath in 1910 to 1919 . He was not primary school teaching in 1921 but in 1923 he was headmaster of Mt Cook Boys' He was Secretary of the Navy League in 1921 and this may have been a fulltime position.

William H Stainton Was a pupil teacher at Roseneath in 1910 and 1911. In 1912 and 1913 he was at Training College. 1914 and 1915 he had a position at Mt Cook Boys' but he was away on war duty. By 1919 he was bac teaching at Karori and was there until at least 1923 when my records end.

1st July 1924 Mr. W. H. Stainton, who has held the position of first assistant master at the Karori School for the past five years, and who has been transferred to Petone in a similar capacity, was farewelled by the teachers and scholars on Monday afternoon.....

John F Davis only taught the one year for the Wellington Education Board.

29th January 1910 After seven and a half years' service as headmaster of the Roseneath School, Mr. C. Bary lately resigned in order to take up the headmastership of the Mount Cook School. About one hundred residents of Roseneath met in the schoolroom last evening to give him a fitting "send-off." In speaking on behalf of the residents, Mr. Hurley referred to Mr. Bary's services, and his excellent qualifications. Reports of inspectors had been in every way satisfactory. During Mr. Bary's term of office, six pupils had gained scholarships. The average attendance had risen from 88 children to 158. Mr. J. Smith, chairman of the

committee, emphasised the value of Mr. Bary's work in the school, and the assistance given by him to the school committee. He had also worked assiduously to obtain the tennis courts, which were a feature of the school grounds. The residents presented Mr. Bary with some handsome silver plate and a case of pipes.

21st April 1910 Football [Soccer] Association Mr. -R- Darroch, headmaster of; Roseneath . School intimated that his school was entering a team in the schools junior competition. The committee granted a football to the newly-formed team

26th April 1910 ROSENEATH. The annual meeting of householders to hear the report of the outgoing school committee and to elect a new committee was held in the school last night. There were about 40 householders present. Mr. J. Smith was voted to the chair.

The report mentioned that Mr. C. Bary ((ate headmaster) had been appointed to take charge of Mount Cook Boys' School, and that the committee and residents, in order to show their appreciation of what Mr. Bary had done in the interests of the school and grounds, had presented him with a silver tea bet and 'case of pipes, suitably engraved. Mr. Robert Darroch had been transferred from Mitchelltown to take Mr. Bary's place, and the committee were satisfied that the school would not suffer under his leadership. The work of completing the excavation of the grounds was nearly finished. The board had painted the school inside and out during the holidays, and had the school connected with the new drainage system. The work in all classes had been faithfully carried out, and the inspectors in their reports had commended the teachers and the committee for the manner in which their duties had been attended to. One of the pupils, Master O. Hutchison, had gained a scholarship, making the sixth that pupils had gained during the time Mr. Bary was headmaster of the school. . '

The balance-sheet showed an income of £125 12s. 9d., and the expenditure was £120 10s. 4d.; leaving a balance of £5 2s. 5d. " ;

The following committee was elected: 'Messrs. A. B. Gray, 23; J. Smith, 22; W. J. Hellyer, 21; T. Sinclair, 19; W. Farrelley, 18; H. Morrison, 17; A. E. Khull, 17. Mr. J. Smith was appointed chairman, and Mr. A. E. Khull secretary.

27th April 1910 Wellington Education Board: Leave of absence was granted by the Education Board yesterday afternoon to the following teachers : [Including] Miss F Bird assistant Roseneath

27th May 1910 The Roseneath School Committee this week unanimously decided to appoint Mr. W. Brooke Taylor, of Roseneath, to the vacancy which was caused by the resignation of Mr. W. Gray, who has left the district

13th July 1910 Parliament: AN EDUCATION MATTER. Messrs. C. Bary, headmaster, Mount Cook Boys' School, J. Varnham, chief clerk of the Wellington Education Board, J. L. Davidson, first assistant Roseneath School, and F. Bird, second assistant Roseneath School, are petitioning the House through Mt. J. P. Luke, for relief. They state that they failed on 1st January, 1906, to elect to become members -of the Teachers' Superannuation Fund as provided by the Teachers' Superannuation Act of 1905, and they ask that the Act be amended during the present session so that they may (under conditions to be imposed by the Superannuation Board) become members..

27th July 1910 In reply to a request by the Hataitai Ratepayers' Association for the establishment of a school at Hataitai, the Wellington Education Board yesterday afternoon

decided to inform that body that it was of opinion that the Roseneath and Kilbirnie schools would meet the requirements of the district

31st August 1910 Miss Bird Roseneath was granted leave of absence.

28th November 1910 SCHOOL TENNIS. Roseneath and Mitchelltown [Aro Valley Wellington] schools met in a tennis tournament on Saturday morning at the Brougham Hill courts, when Mitchelltown were victorious by 9 games to nil.. The following are the details of the score (game, 20 points):—Roberts v. Swensson, 7—20; Thirkell v. Bleeze. 7—20; .Adams v. Mouton, 7 —20; Cashman v. Wonocott, 6 —20; Swensson and Bleeze v. Roberts and Thirkell, 6—20; Dora Helyer and May Wilkinson v. V. Rhodes and M. Bowling, 16-20; Dora Helyer v. Vera Rhodes, 9—20; May Wilkinson v. M. Dowling, 5—20; Hilda White v. May Stevens, 8—20.

2nd December 1910 A GARDEN PARTY, in aid of the funds of the Roseneath School will [be held in the tennis enclosure on SATURDAY AFTERNOON, 3rd December, 2.30 till 6. Fortune-telling, Dancing, Songs, Etc. Admission 1 shilling, includes Afternoon Tea

17th December 1910 ROSENEATH. The annual prize-giving in connection, with the Roseneath State'-School took place on Thursday evening before a. crowded; audience.. 'The chairman", of the committee (Mr. J., Smith), presented the prizes, and on behalf of, the committee, teachers, and children made a. presentation to Miss McKay, who has accepted an appointment in the Gisborne district. The prize and. certificate list is as follows:]

Proficiency Certificates: VI.: Dartrey Adams,: Arthur . Brooke-Taylor, William Morris, John Roberts; Arthur Sinclair, Archie. Smith,, :Amy Beetham, Freda Beetham,, Sybil Morrison, Margaret Newland-Fletcher, Hilda White.'

Competency ."certificates Standard VI: James Dunn, Frank. Kevill, .Annie 'Clark.

--Special prizes.—Cookery, (gift 'of Mrs. Hales): Annie Clark; • elocution,. Collin Post; best garden plot. May Wilkinson; drill (gift of Mr. Khull), Jessie Taylor; drill (gift of Mr. Khull), Mack Post; drill (gift; of Mr. Stainton.),.'Linda Post. ;

Attendance prizes.—Standard VI, first prizes: Arthur' Brooke-Taylor, William Morris, Archie Smith, Freda Beetham', Annie Clark, Hilda White. Second prize: Sybil Morrison..

Standard V—First prizes: Walter Cerchi, Charles Clark, Collin Post, William Watt, .Gladys Cashman, Nettie O'Neil, Eileen Tollan. Second prizes:, Gertrude Grigg, Eileen Hargreaves.

Standard IV—First prizes: Scott Cashman, Mack Post, Randall Huffam. Second prizes: Charles Burton, Walter Morris.

Standard. III. —First, prize: May Stott. Second prizes: Jack Stevens, Kenneth Watt. Standard

II—First prizes: Leonard Jessop, Bernard Reinhardt. Second, prizes: Norman Shields, Evelyn' Garrison.

Standard-I.—Percy White. Infants: Robert Wilkinson.

17th January 1911 Entitlement to a free place at College Class B Schools [Based on school roll numbers] Howard Adams 548 and John Roberts 428 marks passed.

31st January 1911 Wellington education Board: Miss F Kay resigned

27th February 1911 The storm caused damage at Roseneath School to the extent of about £150. Of the two approaches to the school, one is now impassable and the other is dangerous. Banks are washed away, breastworks torn down, hedges rooted out, and the tennis court damaged. The money raised by the energy of the committee, teachers, and parents during the last three years and subsidised by the board has gone with one night's rain.

18th March 1911 ROSENEATH SCHOOL. The annual swimming sports of the Roseneath School were held at Te Aro Baths yesterday. results : — Boys : Championship, 50 yds — C. Post, 1 ; G. McLauriu, 2; T. Shields, 3. 25 yds handicap, under 11 — L. Riddell, 6 sec [Handicap]; T. Smith, 5 sec, 2. 50 yds' handicap, under 12— H. Thirkell, 2 sec, 1; C. Clark, 4 sec, 2; S. Cashman, scr, 3. 50 yds handicap, over 12— C. Post, scr, 1 ; C. McLaurin, 1 sec, 2 ; H. Evans, 1 sec, 3. Diving competition— C. McLaurin, 1; C. Post, 2. 50 yds consolation race — T. Shields, scr, 1; M. Post, 3 sec, 2; W. Moms, 4 sec, 3- Old boys' race, 100 yds — Robieson, 1 ; Smith, 2 ; Hutcheson, 3. ,

25th April 1911 AIRLY LARGE ATTENDANCE. • The annual meeting of the householders of Roseneath for the purpose of receiving the School Committee's annual report . was held in the Roseneath School last evening. There, was a fairly large attendance of householders, and Mr. J. Smith occupied the chair..

The following is a precis of the report:—During the past year Miss Kay resigned her position on the staff, and Messrs. Stainton and Davie were appointed probationers to the school. The committee regret to report the resignation of Messrs. Grey, Sinclair, and Farrelley from the committee. Mr. Brook-Taylor was appointed in Mr. Grey's place, but it was decided to leave the other positions vacant. Soon after the new committee took office the matter of recognising the valuable services of Mr. Watt, on behalf of the school, was considered, and at a social held in the school they presented Mr. Watt with a silver tea service and a set of pipes. During the year, in conjunction with the Thistle Social Club, a number- of social and euchre parties were held, but these were not very successful. The school concert and garden fete were very successful, due largely to the efforts of the teaching staff. A successful "at home" was held by the teachers for the purpose of raising funds for sporting material for the school. The matter of finishing off the school ground was under consideration for some time, and it was eventually decided to finish the work at a cost of £30. Twenty pounds of this amount had been paid, and during a recent storm the work had been destroyed. The committee appealed to the Education Board for assistance, and the board decided to fix matters up. The school's annual picnic was held at Day's Bay and was a success. Mr. Stainton had been appointed physical instructor for the school. Masters D. Adams and J. Roberts gained scholarships.

The following committee was elected for the ensiling year:—Chairman, Mr. J. Smith: secretary, Mr. A. E. Khull; Mrs. A. Low, Messrs. H. M. Morrison. W. Brook-Taylor, W. J Helyer, and W. H. M. Stevens.

The attendance for the year ended April, 1911, was —Average 141, average roll number 161, a percentage of 88.

26th July 1911 Education Board: Miss Bird granted leave of absence.

1st November 1911 Wellington Education Board As to sites, the Works Committee recommended as follows: — Roseneath — That the board approve the application made for use of portion of the Defence Reserve

29th November 1911 In the interests of the very young children of Hataitai and that neighbourhood, who are at present obliged to traverse either a very exposed and windy track to the Roseneath School or proceed to the Kilbirnie North School, a deputation representing the Hataitai and Roseneath Ratepayers' Associations interviewed the Wellington Education Board at its meeting yesterday with regard to their suggestion that a side school, located in

Hataitai and attached to the Roseneath School, should be provided by the board. A similar request some time ago was met with the reply that in the opinion of the board the schools at Roseneath and Kilbirnie were sufficient to meet the requirements of the district. In reiterating the request, Mr. Leigh Hunt, for the Hataitai Ratepayers' Association, and Mr. Smith, for the Roseneath Association, emphasised their opinion that at no distant date the rapid expansion of the Hataitai population would create the necessity for a separate school. The road to the Roseneath School was, for very young children, a most exposed one—the most exposed and wind-swept in Wellington, said Mr. Hunt —while it was the general opinion of residents in the locality that the Kilbirnie School was damp and unsuitable. Replying to the deputation, the chairman (Mr. Robert Lee) said that the board had to administer its funds in the general interests of education in the district and could not afford to multiply schools to suit everybody's convenience. Subsequently the matter was referred to the Works Committee for a report.

29th November 1911 The Minister for Defence, it was intimated by letter, has granted the use of Point Jerningham reserve for school '(Roseneath) purposes. It was decided to thank the Minister for the sanction, and to erect a substantial close boarded fence.

2nd March 1911 Navy League: The names of the Roseneath school prize winners in the essay competition (omitted from the previous list) are:—Colin Macdonald 1, Vernon Frost 2.

12th December 1911 Chamber of Commerce Prizes included: Roseneath — Arithmetic : Dora Helya. Composition : Collin Post. Writing : Jessie Taylor

1912-1913

1912	176	Roseneath	Darroch	Robert	D1	Head Master	£260.00	£35.00
1912	176	Roseneath	Davidson	Jessie L	D2	Assistant Female	£150.00	
1912	176	Roseneath	Bird	Florence R	E2	Assistant Female	£120.00	
1912	176	Roseneath	MacKenzie	James I S		MP3	£45.00	
1912	176	Roseneath	Cook	George		MP3	£45.00	
1912	176	Roseneath	Gilpin	Martha		FP1	£20.00	
1913	171	Roseneath	Darroch	Robert	D1	Head Master	£265.00	£35.00
1913	171	Roseneath	Davidson	Jessie L	D2	Assistant Female	£150.00	
1913	171	Roseneath	Bird	Florence R	E2	Assistant Female	£125.00	
1913	171	Roseneath	Tasker	Kate L	B4	Assistant Female	£100.00	
1913	171	Roseneath	Woodhams	Nelson		MP1	£50.00	

James I S Mackenzie only taught for 1912 for the Wellington Education Board

George Cook taught at Roseneath for one year then taught as a sole charge teacher at Waione [North of Pongaroa in 1913 and 1914

Martha Gilpin taught as a pupil teacher at Roseneath in 1912 and 1913. Then probably went to training college before teaching at Worsley Bay/Seatoun/ Miramar in 1917 to at least 1919. She then taught at Johnsonville/ Newlands in 1921

Kate L Tasker taught at Newtown DHS in 1906. Then in 1908 Mount Cook Girls then a two year gap where she would have been at training college before teaching at Hutt DHS in 1911 and 1912. She then taught at Roseneath to at least 1917. In 1919 she was sole teacher at Laghermer school for the Canterbury Education Board

1922/3915	Kate Louise	Tasker	William Gibson
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Nelson Woodhams taught at Roseneath 1913 and 1914 and then at Wharau as sole teacher in 1917 for the Wellington Education Board

14th December 1918 The death is announced of Mr Nelson Woodhams, which took place on December 11th in a private hospital in Masterton Deceased, who was 24 years of age, was the only son oi Mr and Mrs Chas. Woodhams, of Mangatainoka, and brother of Mrs Rupert Walker, of Dannevirke. He was educated at Woodville High School, passing the Junior Civil Service examinations and matriculation, and was afterwards a University student, and latterly had been following the profession of school master. [Died of Pneumonia following influenza]

18th January 1912 Sybil D N Morrison qualified by examination for a free place at secondary school

21st February 1912 The present situation of the public schoolhouse at Roseneath does not meet with the approval of the residents, who consider that it should be removed to a less exposed position, As the school committee has not moved in the matter, it was decided at a meeting of the local Ratepayers' Association last night, on the motion of Mr. T. W, Ward (president), that Messrs. Stott, Spear, T. Taylor, R. Taylor, Captain Post, and the mover should be a committee to see what steps could be taken to have the building moved to a site more towards Hataitai.

27th February 1912 Wellington Education Board: A committee of the board is to visit the Roseneath School regarding a question of site

23rd April 1912 At the annual meeting of Roseneath householders, the chairman said that he did not think it fair that a teacher should lose a part of his or her salary if the attendance of the class or school he or she was teaching decreased. He referred to a certain teacher in the Roseneath School, who had lost £30 through lack of attendance on the part of pupils ; but, he said, now that the classes, were becoming filled lie hoped to see her once more receiving the regular salary.

24th April 1912 Some discussion took place,, at the meeting of householder at Roseneath on Monday evening; concerning the question of a more suitable place for the school. Most of these who spoke expressed the opinion that the school should be erected in a. more central place, so that children from Hataitai could attend. One householder said "It was in the right, place before, but it is in the wrong place now:"

16th May 1912 The Roseneath School children are arranging for an exchange of flags with the Roseneath (Dunbartonshire, Scotland) children.

22nd May 1912 The attendance at the exhibition of British pictures continues large, and the interest in the collection appears to be is keen as ever.....The pupils attending the Brooklyn, Roseneath, and Newtown primary schools, to the number of several hundreds, visited the gallery yesterday morning.

22nd June 1912 A complimentary "social" was tendered to Mr. J. Smith, chairman of the Roseneath School Committee, last night, and he was presented with a silver tea service and an oak tray, in recognition of his services. A euchre party was held, the prizes being won by Miss Webb and Mr. Barry. Mr. A. E. Khull presided over a. gathering numbering about 100.

16th July 1912 A long education commission report was published and included this piece: Mr R. Darroch, headmaster of the Roseneath School, dealt with physical culture in schools, and said that it had

been haphazard, unsystematic, and in many cases harmful, due no doubt to a large extent to ignorance on the part of teachers or instructors. He recommended the teaching of deep breathing exercises and urged the advantages of organised games as an agency in character building, and in order to play them extensive playgrounds were necessary.

24th August 1912 Some time ago arrangements were made for an exchange of flags between the Roseneath School, Scotland, and the Roseneath School, Wellington. Mr. G. L. Stewart, secretary of the Wellington Education Board, has received information that the New Zealand Ensign has arrived in Scotland, and that the headmaster of the Scottish school has made arrangements for the unfurling of the flag by H.R.H. Princess Louise, Duchess of Argyle, or by the Duke of Argyle, and that 'they will notify the New Zealand Government of the ceremony.

25th September 1912 Wellington Education Board: Roseneath (fencing part of Fort Reserve, new windows and sheathing west side),

28th September 1912 CARETAKER. WANTED, a caretaker for Roseneath State School Applications to be sent on or before Saturday, 5th October, to the Chairman, Roseneath School Committee

1st October 1912 The lady members of the Navy League are earnestly putting into action an idea to present a Union Jack and a white ensign to the battleship New Zealand on her arrival here next year. Already between £50 and £60 have been subscribed, in shillings, by adults, and pennies and threepences by school children. The surplus will be given towards gunnery prizes on the battleship. Local subscriptions may be sent to Mr. R. Darroch, Roseneath School.

14th November 1912 Wellington Education Board: Roseneath assistant £90 to £105

15th November 1912 Yesterday's mail brought to Mr. Robert Darroch, headmaster of the Roseneath School, a box of heather and bog myrtle from the Roseneath School, Dunbartonshire, Scotland, for distribution amongst the children under his charge. Accompanying the parcel was a nicely worded letter of greeting. Sufficient heather and myrtle was sent to enable each of the school children to take home a sprig.

3rd December 1912 Princess Louise, Duchess of Argyll, in the presence of a large attendance including the school children, on Trafalgar Day unfurled a flag at Roseneath School, presented by the school of the same name in Wellington, New Zealand. The Duke of Argyll addressed the children and made references to the Trafalgar Day celebrations. He said New Zealand was a grand country with a great future, destined to become the mistress of the Pacific.

5th December 1912 UNFURLED BY A PRINCESS.. The "Glasgow Herald" of October 22 has the following account of the unfurling of the flag sent by the scholars of the Roseneath School, Wellington, to their comrades of the Roseneath School, Garelochside, Scotland. As the "Herald" in both instances spells the word "Roseneath," it is just possible that there may be a slight confusion as to whether the names of the two schools are identical. The report is as follows:—

"The ceremony of unfurling a flag presented by the school children of Roseneath School, Wellington, New Zealand, to Roseneath School, Garelochside, was performed yesterday by her Royal Highness Princess Louise, Duchess of Argyll. The weather in the early part of the day was wet and stormy, but the atmosphere had cleared by 3 o'clock, when the ceremony took place. A large gathering, including the school children, was present in the schoolroom. The Rev. Alfred Warr, M.A., presided, and in the course of his remarks mentioned that the local children had subscribed towards the purchase of a flag which they had intended to send to their compatriots in New Zealand, in return for the one given them. The Duke of Argyll, in the course of a brief address, referred to the possibilities of New Zealand. It was a great country, with fine farms, a splendid water supply, magnificent pine forests, and grand scenery. The Duke paid a fine tribute to the late Premier of New Zealand, Mr. Seddon, whom he had had as a visitor at Roseneath Castle. In conclusion, he said that the children of the Scottish Roseneath did well to cultivate the friendship of those in New Zealand, as that country had a great future before it, and was destined, along with Australia, to become the mistress of the Pacific. (Applause.) At the conclusion of the Duke's address, the party, which included several soldiers in uniform, from the Princess's Home at the Ferry Inn, proceeded to the playground, where the princess ran up the flag, which floated in the breeze. Cheer after cheer was raised, and the flag saluted. Hearty cheers were accorded to the Princess, who bowed her acknowledgments."

10th December 1912 TENDERS. The following tenders were accepted : — Fencing, Roseneath School, J. Mackenzie, £54; alterations, Roseneath School, A. Seamer, £62; additions,

11th December 1912 Wellington Education Board Roseneath, assistant teacher (transfer), Miss K. Tasker

29th January 1913 Martha Gilpin probationer, transferred from Roseneath to Kilbirnie
James Mackenzie and George P Cook Pupil Teachers transferred to Mount Cook from Roseneath.

31st January 1913 Some time ago an exchange of flags was arranged between the local Roseneath School and the School at Roseneath, near Glasgow. The flag from the Scotch school has now come to hand through the High Commissioner. It is the Scotch national flag, the red lion, rampant on a yellow ground. The flag is accompanied by a letter from the Duchess of Argyll, dated October 21, 1912, at Roseneath House, Roseneath, Dunbartonshire, N. B. It reads as follows:—"The Roseneath School in Scotland,' near Glasgow, sends this flag to the Roseneath School, near -Wellington, in New Zealand, with feelings, of deep interest and friendship, rejoicing in their affection and loyalty for the King and the Old Country. We join with the Roseneath School in praying that you may prosper, and for God's blessing on you all. Signed, Louise Argyll. The flag bears the following inscription along its inner border: "Presented by Roseneath School, Scotland, to the school at Roseneath, Wellington, New Zealand. October 21, 1912.

13th February 1913 The Royal Standard of Scotland sent to the Roseneath School, Wellington, by the Roseneath School, near Glasgow, in exchange for the New Zealand flag, will be unfurled in the school grounds by the Governor and Lady Liverpool at half-past 3 o'clock next Saturday week

17th February 1913 Roseneath school-children held their annual picnic at Day's Bay ; on Saturday. The weather was beautifully fine, and the children had a good day's outing.

24th February 1913 On Saturday afternoon their Excellencies the Governor and the Countess of Liverpool went to the Roseneath school, to unfurl there the flag, the Royal Standard of Scotland, which was sent to the school from the Duke and Duchess of Argyll, in Scotland. A very large number of guests were present, including, of course, the parents and friends of the children, also the members of the school committee and their friends, and the teaching staff. The Earl of Liverpool made a speech on the occasion, and the chairman of the school committee and the headmaster received their Excellencies. Lady Liverpool wore a dark coat and skirt, with a large black tulle bow at the throat, and a black hat.

25th February 1913 FOUND, on Tuesday, the 15th, at Day's Bay, by a schoolboy, . a Silver-mounted Purse, containing money. Owner please apply to the Headmaster, Roseneath School

12th March 1913 THE KING'S THEATRE. The story of an orphan girl entitled "The Springtime of Life" is now being screened at The King's Theatre. The plot is an interesting one, and the acting was good, and convincing. There is also an excellent topical film showing the unfurling of the Scotch Royal Standard at the Roseneath School, Wellington

4th April 1913 ROSENEATH SCHOOL ENTERTAINMENT. The fine large hall in the Hew kiosk near the Oriental Bay tram terminus will be used for the first time next Tuesday evening, 8th April, when an entertainment will be given in it in aid of the funds of the Roseneath School. A very attractive programme has been prepared, and it is anticipated that the entertainment will be liberally patronised. "The Magic Ruby," a 'sparkling operetta, will be produced, and there are to be various other items. The chorus will number eighty voices, and an efficient orchestra will assist. The entertainment is to be repeated on Wednesday, 9th April.

7th April 1913 ROSENEATH SCHOOL. Complete arrangements have been made "for the opening of the new hall near the Oriental Say tram terminus tomorrow night (8th April). An entertainment in aid of the funds of the Roseneath School will be given. "The Magic Ruby," an Oriental operetta in three acts, is to be produced by the children, who have had several rehearsals during the past fortnight, under the direction of Misses Davidson and Bird and Mr. R. Darroch (headmaster). The dances have been arranged by Miss May Wilkinson. The hall, which can seat 1200 persons, will be formally opened at 8 p.m. by Dr. Newman. The entertainment is to be repeated on Wednesday evening.

9th April 1913 ROSENEATH SCHOOL CARNIVAL. The pupils of the Roseneath School held high carnival last evening in the Oriental Bay Tea Kiosk rooms, when an operetta entitled "The Magic Ruby" was staged. All the characters in the piece were taken by children attending the school, and the display was credit' able in every respect. The costumes were well arranged, and the boys and girls acquitted themselves in a manner which reflected the ' greatest credit on their teachers. It would be invidious to single out individuals, but it can be said that those who were responsible for the entertainment are entitled to the greatest praise. Over four hundred people were present and the singing of the children and the dancing were especially applauded. The hall was not nearly completed, but everything possible had been done to make matters comfortable. The Roseneath School Committee will benefit to a considerable extent from the proceeds of the operetta, and it h hoped that this evening, when the performance will be repeated, an even bigger attendance will be recorded. Amongst those

present were Dr. A. K. Newman, MP for the district, and Mr. J. P. Luke, a candidate for the Mayoralty. At the conclusion of the entertainment/ Mr. Fletcher, * well-known Ideal singer, sang "The Shadows." This evening he will again contribute to the programme. In a brief speech prior to the production of the operetta, Dr. Newman, who was introduced by the chairman of the School Committee (Mr S. H. Jenkinson), said that the people of Roseneath were to be congratulated on now possessing a hall which was a credit to the district. For many years the lack of a suitable hall had been sorely felt, and the residents of the district had reason to thank the members of the company who had put their capital into the fine building in which they had met that evening. He wished the company success in its enterprise, and after relating a couple of Maori stories, said that he was very pleased to be present at any entertainment connected with education. He believed that there was: no department of State in New Zealand which was so successful as the Department of Education. Parents might think that a great deal of time was spent on getting up school entertainments, but it had to be remembered that they had a great educational value. "The Magic Ruby," as already stated, will be repeated to-night

15th April 1913 This afternoon some 500 school-children from the Clyde Quay (at 1.15 p.m.), Roseneath, and To Aro Schools (at 2.45 p.m.), will be taken across to the battleship. They will be taken from Standards I to VI only, the infant school children being considered too young for such excursions. [HMS New Zealand a warship funded by the New Zealand Government]

16th April 1913 The calm water and ideal weather attracted a large number of visitors to the ship yesterday afternoon, and ferry steamers reaped an excellent harvest. The Tutanekai, burdened with several hundred school children from Clyde quay, Roseneath, and Te Are, came alongside shortly after 3 p.m., and her living freight of excited boys and girls presented a cheerful picture from the deck of the man-o'-war. Soon the youngsters were clambering everywhere, exploring every nook and cranny of the battleship. They swarmed over the barbettes and mounted the turrets. Jolly sailor men took charge of whole battalions for "personally conducted tours." Another large detachment of school children will be taken to the ship to-day, when their number will also be augmented by large reinforcements from Wanganui and Palmerston North. The Wairarapa children will arrive to-morrow.

29th April 1913 Mr. S. H. Jenkinson presided over the meeting of about 90 householders. of the Roseneath School. The committee was elected' as follows -Messrs, Morrison (chairman), A. Paape (secretary), E. Kellow, C. Adams, and — Whiteman, and Mesdames' Low and Hargreaves.

24th May 1913 A special meeting of the Roseneath School Committee was held on Thursday. There were present Mr. H. W. Morrison (chairman), Mesdames Low, Hat* greaves, Messrs. Kellow, C. Whiteman, and A. A. Paape (secretary). It was unanimously decided to support the attitude of the Clyde-quay School Committee relative to the refusal to admit to Wellington Girls' College children who had qualified last year for free places, and Mesdames Low and Har greaves and Mr. Paape were appointed to represent the Roseneath Committee on the deputation which it is proposed to send to the Minister for Education on the subject.

A balance-sheet was received in connection with the recent operetta, which showed that the receipts totalled £40 16s 6d and the expenses £18 5s 4d, leaving a profit of £22 1s 2d. This was regarded by the committee as most satisfactory.

The Chairman intimated that during the afternoon the headmaster (Mr. R. Darroch) had, on behalf of the children, presented Miss Davidson with a wristlet watch, as a token of their appreciation of the work done and interest taken in the training of the children in connection with the operetta. On behalf of the parents of the children attending the school, he had presented Miss Bird with a souvenir as a memento of the services rendered by the recipient as teacher extending over a lengthy period.

It was decided to proceed with a scheme for tree-planting. A working bee is to be arranged by the chairman and secretary to make necessary preparations, and the children will do the actual planting; on Arbor Day

28th May 1913 The Roseneath School Committee having decided to carry out a scheme of tree-planting immediately behind the school, arrangements are being made for a working bee, the intention being to have holes for the reception of the trees dug prior to Arbor Day, when the actual planting will be done by the children

13th June 1913 Wellington City Council: Re libraries in school The council further decided to extend the system to the Roseneath and Northland schools, at an estimated cost of £50.

21st June 1913 Considerable and commendable activity is being displayed by the Roseneath school committee in making reparations for the due observance of Arbor Day. The "working bee" which was organised to dig the holes in readiness for the Trees which are to be planted will be continued to-day, when it is hoped that the task will be completed. An invitation to - join in the good work has been sent to a number of friends of the school. The City Council is providing the necessary trees, so that the whole work will be carried out without cost to the committee

10th July 1913 • The following itinerary has been drawn up -for the Mayoral party in connection with the tree planting to be done on Arbor Day (Wednesday next) : — Kilbirnie School, 9.15 a.m. ; Roseneath, 10 a.m. ; Section 48 (Kelburne), 11 a.m. (the official ceremony) j Newtown School, 2 p.m. ; Island Bay, 3 p.m. Mr. Glen, Superintendent of Reserves, , reported yesterday to' a meeting of council officials, including the Mayor, who have the arrangements in hand, that he had visited several of the public schools the scholars of which desired to "plant a tree," and had made arrangements for the delivery of the trees. An inspection of the grounds to be planted will be made on Monday to ascertain if they have been properly , prepared for the purpose. If this has not been done no trees will be delivered.

11th July 1913 As a result of the assistance lent to the committee of the Roseneath- school at the recent working bees, some 300 holes are ready for the tree-planting on Arbor Day, His Worship the Mayor (Mr. J. P. Luke) will plant the first tree, and the committee are anxious to have a largo and representative gathering, apart from the sentimental value of the day.

17th July 1913 The recent appointment of a police conch, to assist those members of the force who intend to sit for examinations,'-' was the subject-matter of a question addressed to the Minister for Justice in the House of Representatives yesterday by Mr. T. M. Wilford, M.P. Mr. Wilford asked whether applications were called for the important and well-paid appointment recently conferred on Mr. Robert Darroch, and. if not, why not? The Hon. A. L. Herdman replied:—Mr. Robert Darroch has not been appointed to any important or well-paid position, lie lias been engaged by the Commissioner of Police to coach by correspondence those members of. the force who are preparing to sit for the examination qualifying them for promotion to a higher rani;, which is to be held in September next. The gentleman in question

is headmaster of the Roseneath School, and his abilities as an instructor have been well tested. In this case there was no need to call for applications, as from inquiries made it was found that the experience of the Post and Telegraph Department showed that Mr. Darroch was admirably qualified to conduct the teaching. For a number of years he has coached officers of that Department by means of the correspondence system, with great success and to the entire satisfaction of those in charge. Mr. Darroch commenced his duties on May 1 last, and his contract is to instruct up to 150 non-commissioned officers and men in various parts of, the Dominion at a remuneration of £3 3s. per week.

17th July 1913 The wind-resisting taupata formed a large percentage of the trees planted in the Roseneath School grounds, in which work the Mayor and Mayoress vigorously assisted.

29th July 1913 here was an attendance of over thirty ex-pupils present at a meeting held in the Roseneath School on Saturday afternoon, for the purpose of considering the question of forming an "Old Girls' Association." Mrs. H. N. Morrison was voted to the chair, and briefly pointed out that the formation of an organisation such as that proposed would materially assist the school and district. The main course in the meantime was to raise funds for putting the tennis court at the school in order. Quite a large sum had been expended in excavating, but it will be useless for the purpose until asphalted. The funds at the disposal of the school] committee •would not permit of their undertaking the work, but the committee would be prepared to assist in any scheme that might be undertaken. The headmaster (Mr. R. Darroch)' also emphasised the social value of an association, and after discussion it was unanimously decided that an association be formed." The following office-bearers were elected:— President, Mrs. A. Low; vice presidents, Misses Wilkinson, McLaurin, Nagle, Davidson, and Bird; secretary and treasurer, Miss Highet ; committee, Misses Ward, Kertland, W. Low, F. Low, Duncan and Van Borsuum ; rules committee, Mrs Low , Misses Low, Davidson, Bird, and Highet.

2nd October 1913 In common with most schools, the committee of the Roseneath and Oriental Bay [Note: new unofficial name of school]Public School finds it difficult to provide for necessities out of the small capitation grant received from the Education Board. In order to raise funds Mr. H. N. Fletcher has arranged a concert programme. The concert is to be held in the large hall of the Oriental Bay Tea Kiosk, on Friday evening next,' and the School Committee confidently/ relies upon the residents to show their appreciation of its efforts by their presence at the entertainment.

4th October 1913 The Oriental Bay Tea Kiosk was well filled last evening when the concert arranged by Mr. H. N. Fletcher, in aid of the Roseneath Public School fund, was given. Items contributed by the Orpheus Quartet were well received. Several members of the Savage Club gave "The Merry Sellers. Aro We" in capital style. Items were also contributed by Dr. Norman Hales, and Messrs. A. W. Newton, D. Kenny, F. Twiss, and C. Hickmott, H N. Fletcher, W. Gonce, F. .Major, R. Digby. and J. W. Gard, Miss Hardinge Maltby and Miss Cana Denhard. At the close of the evening the school committee entertained the contributors to the entertainment at supper in the tea room.

20th December 1913 Following is the list' of prize-winners at the Roseneath School :— Attendance Prizes.— First class, J. Meyer, J. Garland, M. Stott, R. Roy, K. Simeon, J. Fitzgerald, L. Avery, J. Petherick, W- Spear, W. Bird, E. Van Borssum, B. Fitzgerald, R. Van Borssum, J. Harrison. Second class : G. Weller, T. 1 Smith', R. Huffam, S. Reid, N. Clark, J.

Roy; G. Newman, R. Darroch, O. Rule, M. Smith, H. Fitzgerald, K. Hawthorn, E. Nagle. , Special Prizes.— J. Roy, drill ; J. Fitzgerald, drill ; E. Arams, diligence ; L. Sunderland, consideration for others; R. Huffam/ consideration for others; D. Gifford, arithmetic; M. Morgan arithmetic ; T. Stuart-Mentearh, drill ; M. Stoo, painting ; D. Packer, painting ; D. Phillips, neatness ; G. Tandy, drill ; T. Frost, mapping; L. Riddell; diligence; E. Harrison, kindness; M. Tandy, neatness ; O. Rule, sewing ; G. Tandy, sewing ; Watt, diligence ; S. Tollan, school forester; T. Watt, good work; M. Townsend. good work ; B. Midlane., good work ; n. Meadows, good work ; L. Hargreaves, drill.

Temperance Essay (W.C.T.U.'s prize). — M. Morgan 1, R. Ward 2. 1

Navy League Prizes. — T. Menteath, D. Gifford, K. Watt, H. Galbraith.

The thanks of the school are due to Mrs. Hales, Mrs. Low, Messrs. Tingey, Edwards, Lemon, Montague, Gifford, Casey, Van Borssum, Stuart-Menteath,' Kenneth Watt, and the members of the teachers' staff, who so kindly and spontaneously donated prizes.

1914-1915

1914	202	Roseneath	Darroch	Robert	D1	Head Master	£270.00	£35.00
1914	202	Roseneath	Davidson	Jessie L	D2	Assistant Female	£160.00	
1914	202	Roseneath	Bird	Florence R	E2	Assistant Female	£135.00	
1914	202	Roseneath	Tasker	Kate L	B4	Assistant Female	£120.00	
1914	202	Roseneath	Woodhams	Nelson		Male Probationer 2	£60.00	
1914	202	Roseneath	McDonald	Helen B		FP4	£60.00	
1915	220	Roseneath	Darroch	Robert	D1	Head Master	£280.00	£40.00
1915	220	Roseneath	Davidson	Jessie L	D2	Assistant Female	£190.00	
1915	220	Roseneath	Bird	Florence R	E2	Assistant Female	£150.00	
1915	220	Roseneath	Tasker	Kate L	B3	Assistant Female	£130.00	
1915	220	Roseneath	Pinny	Fanny	D5	Assistant Female	£110.00	
1915	220	Roseneath	Stafford	Fred		Ex Force	£110.00	
1915	220	Roseneath	Ensor	Dorothy E		Substitute	£110.00	
1915	220	Roseneath	Twomey	Eileen K		FP3	£55.00	
1915	220	Roseneath	Morrison	Sybil D		FP2	£35.00	

Helen B McDonald only taught for the Wellington Education Board as a pupil teacher in 1913 at Maranui [Later Lyall Bay] and Roseneath in 1914

Fanny Pinny only taught for the Wellington Education Board as an assistant in 1915 at Roseneath

Fred Stafford was at Coonoor [Most Northern school of the Wellington District in the Puketois] as a sole charge teacher in 1913 and 1914 and was on war duty in 1915

Dorothy E Ensor was a substitute teacher for a teacher [Fred Stafford] serving in the armed forces in 1915 and from at least 1917 to 1923 was teaching at the Brooklyn School In 1924 went on a year's trip to Australia taught at Levin and Martinborough after that visit.

Eileen K Twomey only taught in 1915 for the Wellington education Board at Roseneath. Became involved in piano playing and teaching music. Studied in London.

Sybil D Morrison Taught 1914 AT Kilbirnie and 1915 at Roseneath as a probationer. Then attended training college for two years. In 1919 was an assistant at Te Aro. And by 1921 and up to December 1923 was teaching at Nireaha School between Pahiatua and Eketahuna.

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27th January 1914 Scholarship Class B [based on attendance] Effie M Morgan of Roseneath topped with 544 Marks

28th January 1914 Miss Helen J Forsyth appointed pupil teacher at Roseneath. [Was not teaching there at December 1914]

31st January 1914 Additional scholarships awarded s some other winners declined to take them up Kathleen Montague Roseneath with 420 marks.

5th February 1914 The gold medal donated by Mr. A. A. Paape for the **dux of Roseneath** School in 1313 has been won by Miss Effie Muriel Morgan. It was presented to her by Mr. Morrison, chairman of committee. in the presence of the assembled teachers and scholars.

1st May 1914 ROSENEATH. The annual report of the Roseneath School Committee Contains the fallowing extract from the .report of the Inspector's surprise visit to the school on 20th March :— " Timetables and schemes of. work under the new- syllabus' were discussed ,and suggestions made. - . . Some good .physical drill was done by the upper children under Mr. Darroch. Satisfactory lessons were given during my visit. A workable discipline is maintained, and the manners and general behaviour of the 'children were very satisfactory. The Junior National Scholarship, awarded to schools of this class, was won by one of the scholars, and a Board Scholarship was awarded to another scholar." The City Council granted an extension of the school libraries to the school, the old library being handed to the Boys' Institute. During the year Bible lessons were given to the children after school hours by Rev. Mr. Braddock. The course was purely voluntary and non-sectarian. A request to extend the school boundaries was refused by the Education Board. The sum of £33 Is 6d was realised by a concert held in the Kiosk— a poor response from the people of the district. The committee must have financial assistance from the parents, as the board's capitation is £9 10s per quarter. .From this amount £7 10s is required for the caretaker, which is a miserable pittance. Thus the committee have £2 per quarter to pay for repairs, fuel, stationery, etc. The City Council generously donated 300 taupata trees for the purpose of planting the school ground. The trees are growing well. The balance-sheet shows a balance of assets over liabilities of £6 19s 6d. The report concluded with an appreciative reference to the staff

Selected Items from Dominion. Same date We regret very much the serious illness of Miss Bird, our infant mistress. She has done excellent work amongst our little ones, for some thirteen years, and we all hope she may be speedily restored to perfect health.

8th May 1914 ROSENEATH. Mr. H. N. Morrison presided over a good attendance of householders at the annual meeting of the Roseneath School. The following is the committee elected lor the ensuing year:—Messrs. H. H. Morrison (chairman), H. Van Borssum (secretary), J. Smith, W. Helyer, H. Spear, F. Stott, and Mrs. Lemon.

8th May 1914 A KILBIRNIE-ROSENEATH MATTER . "During the year the committee was by the Roseneath School re alteration in school boundaries to the detriment of our particular school district. To this we protested, with the result that nothing further has been done in that direction." This was the text of a paragraph in the Kilbirnie School Committee's annual report presented at the meeting last evening. An elector moved : — "That the action of the committee in objecting to the proposed change of school boundaries be endorsed, • and that this meeting strongly protests against any portion of Hataitai being included in the Roseneath district, a copy of this resolution to be sent ' to the Education Board." Considerable interest was taken in the matter. A sketch was made on a blackboard with the object of showing that any such change would be to the detriment of the Kilbirnie School. Incidentally, the suggested establishment of a side school at Hataitai was brought up, and householders from that district emphatically protested against the Roseneath School coming in and absorbing Hataitai. During the discussion, the statement was made that the Roseneath School was very' inconveniently placed, and the opinion was freely expressed that the school should never have, been built on the present site. r Eventually, Mr. Leigh Hunt moved' an amendment to the effect that the question of boundaries in connection with the Kilbirnie School be left to the incoming committee. The amendment was, however, lost, and the motion carried. Several persons present spoke of the proposal to establish a school at Hataitai and referred to the fact that the Minister of Education had already visited the. district with a view to selecting a suitable site. This was the result of representations made by_ the Hataitai Municipal Electors' Association, and for their efforts Mr. Bayfield moved : "That this meeting endorses the action of the Hataitai Municipal Association in working for a side-school for_ their district and commends their application for favourable consideration of the Education Board." Questions 'were then raised as to whether the proposed school would be attached to Kilbirnie, and the chairman stated that it was assumed that such would- be the case. It was not proposed to separate the district

10th June 1914 Mr. F. W. Ward presided over a committee meeting of the members of 'the Hataitai and Roseneath Ratepayers' Association held in the Roseneath Schoolroom last evening. The. meeting was called to discuss important matters of interest to both districts, the chief of Which was the question of the overcrowded state of the public schools in the district. Members present agreed that there was a community of interest between the two districts, and > that they would co-operate on .all questions for the general good of the district. The chairman, in referring to the overcrowded schools, stated that the Roseneath "School scholars on .the. roll, 'and that there was only accommodation provided for 175 scholars, and that it was , impossible .for the staff to do justice. to the scholars under such conditions. The speaker also pointed out that the school was situated at the extreme northern part of the district, and that, it was necessary for scholars living at the southern end to come long distances to school. Mr., Arcus outlined the agitation that had been made at Hataitai for school accommodation in that district, pointing out that there were 300 children requiring school accommodation at the present time. The general opinion expressed by members was that the Education Department should immediately purchase a site and erect , a school that would meet the requirements of the district. 'A resolution was subsequently -passed that a deputation wait upon the Minister of Education on Friday, June 12, to lay the claims of the district before him..

A lively discussion took place on the necessity for a motor-bus service that would suit both districts, and the proposed new road to Roseneath. A resolution was adopted approving of the formation of the road, members expressing the opinion that it would give residents of the districts a better access to the city at the same time relieving the congestion of the tunnel.

1st July 1914 Wellington Education Board: It was decided that increased accommodation should be provided at Korokoro, Northland, Roseneath, Island Bay, and Worsley Bay Schools

6th November 1914 On account of the growth of population in the southern end of the Roseneath School district, the committee of that school have found it necessary to provide school accommodation for 'the younger children nearer their homes than the base school at Point Jerningham. Acting on this determination a house has been secured in Grafton Road, near the Hataitai boundary, and; has been rearranged for the accommodation of from 40 to 50 children of the infant, and first and second standards: This provision is likely to prove a great convenience to the district

6th November 1914 Distressed Belgian Children Fund report included: Roseneath £12, and the Roseneath School is sacrificing its prizes and also its annual picnic this year for the benefit of the Belgian Fund, and a garden fete will be held on 12th December with the object of providing further assistance.

7th November 1914 As a result of the efforts of Wellington school children on Guy Fawkes Day," the following amounts were collected and forwarded to the Mayor yesterday on behalf of the Belgian relief fund :—Newtown School £23 6s 8d, Roseneath School £12 3s 5d.....

10th November 1914 A garden fete in aid of the Belgian relief fund is being organised by the pupils of Roseneath school on December 12th. Special preparations are being made to make the event a complete success.

13th November 1914 Permission has been granted by the City Council, to the Roseneath School to take up a street collection on Saturday morning, December 12, in aid of the Belgian Relief Fund.

17th December 1914 A feature of the fete in aid of the Belgian Relief Fund at Roseneath School was the delineation of character from handwriting. Mrs. Bertha Maunsell, of Palliser-road, Roseneath, and late of Auckland, was the expert, and delighted all her patrons. She is also appealing to the public in verses she is selling at a penny a sheet. They were in circulation at the fete and brought a ready sale. By means of these verses Mrs. Maunsell hopes to add thousands of pennies to the Relief Fund.

18th December 1914 The following children of Roseneath School gained first-class attendance certificates : — Grace Brown, L. Avery, J. Fitzgerald, G. Beere, Florrie Dixon, Mervyn Stevens, Jean Harrison, Kura Simeon, Kitty Meyer, Jessie Harrison, Janie Post, C. Judd, R. Judd, J. Petherick, E. Wing, Clare Brown, Neilena Clark, Enid Stott, Elsie Nagle, Linda Post, Rhoda Ward, Edith Brinsden, R. Darroch, L. Harlen, K. Morrison, E. Van Borssum. The following gained second class attendance certificates : — H. Fitzgerald, G. Radford, W. Lewis, Annie Dunn, Doris Cole, T. Watt, Gertrude Ellis, Gwen Wing, Evelyn Harrison, G. Newman, Lizzie Sunderland, May Tandy, L. Riddell.

22nd December 1914 On behalf of the scholars of the Roseneath School, Miss Noreen Spear (representing Mrs. Spear, treasurer), accompanied by Masters Morrison (representing Mr. Morrison, chairman of the School Committee), and Menteath (representing Mr. Van Borssum, secretary of the school), handed, to the Belgian Consul (Hon. C. J. Johnston) a

cheque amounting to £100, the proceeds of the recent garden fete. The children were accompanied by Mrs. Low (convener) and Miss Gawler (secretary), of the Fete Committee. The Belgian Consul and Vice-Consul presented the children with a number of boxes of chocolates decorated with the Belgian colours and coat of arms. These were willingly handed over by the children to the committee to be sold, the proceeds to go to the Belgian Fund.

15th January 1915 ROSENEATH SCHOOL. APPLICATIONS, addressed to the Chairman will be received up to THURSDAY, 21st January, for the Position of Caretaker to the above School. Remuneration £3 per calendar month. Schedule of duties may be seen at Mr. W. Grant's Store, Roseneath.

27th January 1915 Roseneath assistant Mr F Stafford Pupil Teacher Cedric J Bagley. Probationer James A Wilson By end of 1915 Neither Bagley or Wilson were teaching at Roseneath and did not teach again for the Wellington Education Board.

27th January 1915 Sybil D Morrison transferred from Kilbirnie to Roseneath.

30th April 1915 . In the report to be presented to Roseneath householders at the annual meeting next Monday night the school committee refers to the overcrowded state of the building and the anxiety it had caused. To relieve the pressure a side school for infants was established in Grafton road, where there is now an average attendance of 41 and a roll of 48. The committee stresses the need of a tennis court at the main school and says a supreme effort should be made to complete the work during the current year. The school library was supplied with over 101 new books by the City Council, and it is recorded that "library afternoon" is the most popular afternoon of the school week. The finances are reported to be in a healthy state. A satisfactory year's work has been done in the school, and Mr Darroch and his staff are thanked for their efforts on behalf of the children. The dux of the school last year was Thomas Menteath. • ' , Thirteen candidates have been nominated for the nine seals on the Roseneath school committee

30th April 1915 The Roseneath School Committee, in their annual report, state that during the year a slight epidemic of measles occurred in the district, but without any serious consequences. The balance-sheet for the financial year ended December 31, 1914, shows a balance of £14 0s. 4d. The overcrowded state of the school caused the committee to urge upon the Education Board the necessity for extending the premises, and the Board responded by establishing a side school for infants at the Hataitai end of the Grafton Road.

30th April 1915 Nominations: Roseneath.— Mrs. Low, Mrs. Falconer, H. N. Morrison. W. Helyer, J. Smith, F. Stott, T. K. Garrett, H. R. van Borssum, S. H. Jenkinson, A. T. Carter, F. Jelley, J. B. Brinsden, and J. M. Neal

30th April 1915 A sneak thief broke into the Roseneath school on Wednesday night and stole a box in which children placed contributions for the Belgian relief fund. It is not known, of course, exactly what amount was in the box, but it is thought the sum would be between 15s [15 shillings] and 20s. The headmaster's office was also visited, and 8s rewarded the curious visitor's search.

4th May 1915 over a hundred people attended the householders' meeting at the Roseneath School. _ _ , The following committee was elected : — Chairman, Mr. H. Morrison ; secretary, Mr. L. Van Borssum; committee, Messrs. F. Stott, W. G. Helyer, Captain Jelley, T. K. Garratt, J. B. Brinsden, J. Smith., Mrs. Lowe. In his address the Chairman stated that teachers were treated unjustly in being compelled to suffer in salary

through sickness of pupils, and it was decided that where a medical certificate showing the child to be suffering from sickness is produced the child's name should be registered on the roll as attending. '

6th May 1915 At 3 p.m. to-morrow an interesting little ceremony will take place in the grounds of the Roseneath School. It may be remembered that in December last the school organised a carnival in aid of the Belgian Fund, whereby the Bum of £100 was raised. In recognition of this effort the Belgian Consul (the Hon. C. J. Johnston) presented the school with a Belgian flag. During the visit of the Plimmer-Hall Comedy Co. it was thought that more money might be raised by the selling of the flag by auction. Miss Beatrice Day officiated as auctioneer, and the sum of £67 was raised thereby, the flag ultimately being bought back by Messrs. C. Smith, H. N. Liardet, J. Fuller, and C. Palliser, all residents of the districts. After the sale the desire was expressed that Miss Day should formally hoist the flag in the school grounds, which act she has consented to do to-morrow afternoon.

7th May 1915 Mr. Robert Darroch, headmaster of the Roseneath School, on behalf of the committee, extends a hearty invitation to all Belgians resident in Wellington to be present at the hoisting of the Belgian flag by Miss Beatrice Day at 3 o'clock this afternoon in the school grounds.

8th May 1915 The Roseneath School was en fete yesterday afternoon, when the Belgian flag presented by the Belgian Consul (Hon. C. J. Johnston) was hoisted for the first time. There is an interesting history attaching to the flag. It was presented in the first place in recognition of the scholars' efforts in raising £100 for the Belgian Fund. During the visit of the Plimmer-Hall Dramatic Company, opportunity was taken to auction the flag, and by this means Miss • Beatrice Day raised an additional £67 The flag was ultimately bought back by a syndicate of residents (Messrs. H. N. Liardet, C. Palliser, C. Smith, and J. Fuller^ jun.). The desire was expressed that Miss Day should hoist the flag in the school grounds. Yesterday's proceedings were opened by the singing of the Belgian Anthem by the 200 odd children. Miss Day was welcomed by the chairman of the School Committee (Mr. H. N. Morrison), who apologised for the unavoidable absence of the Hon. C. J. Johnston. The school, said Mr. Morrison, was delighted to have a souvenir of a gallant little country to which the whole of the civilised world owed a deep debt of gratitude for the heroic sacrifice* made. Miss Day unfurled the flag amid cheers. Master Leith Riddell recited "The Day," and the ceremony concluded with the singing of "God Save the King" and cheers for those New Zealanders at the Dardanelles.

11th May 1915 French [Fred?] Stafford teacher Roseneath called up for war duty.

25th May 1915 Roseneath School Committee approached the Education Board this afternoon seeking a revision of the school district boundaries so as to include Hataitai. The request was supported by the Hataitai Municipal Electors' Association. The question was referred by the board to the Finance Committee for report.

28th May 1915 . HELP THE .WOUNDED SOLDIERS. BAZAAR AT ROSENEATH SCHOOL. TO-MORROW, at 2.30. Organised by Eileen- Brews and her Little Schoolmates. Admission— Adults 6d, Children 3d. Come One Come All

30th June 1915 Wellington Education Board approved renewal of fire backs in grates.

30th June 1915 The Wellington Education Board has granted military leave to Mr. C. J. Bagley, pupil teacher at Roseneath; Mr. J. A. Wilson, probationer at Roseneath;

14th July 1915 Roseneath — Assistant. £110 to £120

14th July 1915 Arbor Day: ROSENEATH SCHOOL. The two Bonior girls of the school planted a special tree in honour of the Red Cross Brigade at the front, and the two senior boys planted a tree in honour of the old boys and teachers of the school who are serving at the front. Cheers were given for the Red Cross and for the boys at the front. Appropriate speeches were made by Mr. Darroch and Messrs. Morrison and Van Borssum, of the School Committee. The general planting was then proceeded with by the whole of the school children, the girls' side of the playground being regarded as the Red Cross Side, and the boys' side in honour of the old boys and teachers at the front.

4th August 1915 the future building programme of the Education Board includes a school for the rapidly-growing suburb of Hataitai. The children of people resident at Hataitai have at present either to attend the Roseneath School to the north or the Kilbirnie School to the south. The former school is already taxed to its utmost to accommodate the children of the locality, so much so indeed that a cottage was secured some time ago as an adjunct to the school. The Kilbirnie School is not quite so full just at present, but there is no room to spare there. The Education Board has already secured a site for a school in a central position in Hataitai, and at the first opportune occasion the Government will be approached for a grant for the building.

5th August 1915 FOUND, in boys' shed, Roseneath School, last Monday morning, Gold Brooch. Owner may have same by applying to Mr. Darroch, Roseneath School, and paying cost of advertisement.

20th September 1915 Among those who have joined the 7th Reinforcements are Messrs P. Stafford, J. A. Wilson, and C. J. Bagley, of the Roseneath school staff.

16th November 1915 Military Hospital Guild acknowledges Pupils of Roseneath School, 18 face cloths, 15 feeders, 7 balaclavas, 1 knitted scarf, 6 treasure bags, and old linen;

19th November 1915 Gallipoli Day Mr. Robert Darroch has arranged for a party of some seventy Roseneath School children to give a series of street concerts to-morrow morning in aid of the Christmas gift fund.

29th November 1915 In spite of a high wind on Saturday morning, the Roseneath School Choir carried out its programme of street concerts. After performing at Stewart Dawson's corner, the choir sang the Russian National Anthem before the office of the Consul for Russia, Mr. McCabe, who briefly returned thanks on behalf of Russia. The Japanese Consulate was next honoured, and Mr. T. Young made a patriotic speech and intimated that he would notify the Japanese Government of the incident. The choir then drew up in front of the Belgian Consulate, where a unique demonstration took place. In the presence of the Consuls for the five Allies—Belgium, France, Russia, Italy, and Japan—the hymns of Belgium, France, and Italy were sung, and cheers heartily given for the Allies. It was a graceful compliment to brave little Belgium that the Consuls should foregather before the office of the Hon. C. J. Johnston, Consul-in Chief for Belgium in New Zealand.

29th November 1915 Roseneath School (Mr R Darroch) £31 13 10

16th December 1915 More than a thousand essays have been written by children at the Wellington State schools on the subject of 'What Naval Disaster Would Mean to the British Empire, and to New Zealand in Particular.' The prizes are to be given out at the respective schools to-day,..... Roseneath (200 essays).—Boys: Alan Burgess, Ewen Scott, Fred Falconer, Ian Darroch, Karl Ekenstein, Fred Lineker, Howard Adams, Jack Radcliffe, William Chaplin, Alexander Mitchell. William Bird, Robin Darroch, Leith Riddell. Girls: Jean Jones, Hazel Morgan, Eileen Taylor, Olive Rule. Roseneath Side School—Roy McLane, John Holly, and Vera Martin.

17th December 1915 ROSENEATH SCHOOL. The breaking-up ceremony in connection with Roseneath School took place yesterday morning. Mr. Morrison, chairman of the committee, presided, and presented the various certificates and Navy League prizes won during the year. The Rev. Mr. Hunt, on behalf of the Navy League, delivered a patriotic address.

The children sang the 'National Anthems of the Allies and other patriotic songs.

The following obtained proficiency certificates:—William Bird, Robert Darroch, Tom Frost, Louis Harlan, Alexander Mitchell, Francis Renner, Keith Morrison, Leith Riddell, Temple Smith, David Virtue, Eric van Borssum, Edith Brinsden, Elsie Nagle, Lizzie Sunderland. Attendance certificates were presented as follow:—First Class—Boys: Matthew Neal, Keith Downes, Campbell Highet, Donald Hastings, Wilfrid Lewis, Lionel Avery, Jack Fitzgerald, Cyril Judd, Geoffrey Newman, Rewert van Borssum; Eric' Wing, Keith Morrison, Leith Riddell, Temple Smith, Eric van Borssum. Girls: Gertrude Boddam, Chrissie Clark, Danena Clark, Doreen Avery, Doris Cole, Florence Dixon, Kura Simeon, Neilena Clark, Kitty Meyer, Olive Rule, May Tandy, Muriel Townsend, Maggie Smith; Second Class—Boys: Alan. Downes, Ewe-n Scott, Herbert Fitzgerald, Lincoln Richards, Heath - Post, Ian Darroch,-> Bertie Harlen, Stanley Reid, David Virtue. Girls: Dorothy Newman, Eileen Taylor, Dorothy Dawson, Gertrude Ellis, Gwen Wing, Gertrude Tandy, Elsie Fitzgerald. '

Side School.—First Class: Vera Martin, Freda Stott, Joyce Staff. Second Class: Hugh Thompson,- Keith Skerritt, Doris Swain. '

1916-1917

1917	155/134	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Darroch	Robert	D-29	Head	£320.00
1917	155/134	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Davidson	Jessie L	D-63	Assistant	£210.00
1917	155/134	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Bird	Florence R	E-76	Assistant	£170.00
1917	155/134	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Tasker	Kate L	B-77	Assistant	£150.00
1917	155/134	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Cumberworth	Dorothy M	C-94	Assistant	£130.00
1917	155/134	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Hobday	Elsie P	D	Assistant	£120.00
1917	155/134	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	McColl	Rita		Assistant	£110.00
1917	155/134	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Mutter	Nell D A		Probationer 2	£35.00
1917	155/134	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Emerson	Elsie M		Probationer 1	£30.00

Dorothy M Cumberworth taught at Roseneath Hataitai by 1917 and to at least 1919. She was at Roseneath in 1921 and Masterton West in 1923

1930/4536	Dorothy May	Cumberworth	Arthur George Fleming	Lawson
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Left Masterton West in August 1928 A G F Lawson was a bank manager in Masterton

Elsie P Hobday taught at Newtown in 1912 and Island Bay in 1913 as a pupil teacher. In 1915 she was at Pongaroa and then in 1917 to at least 1921 was at Roseneath/Hataitai. In 1921 she was an assistant at Marlborough School. BEDWELL-HOBDAY.-On the 20th October, , 1923, at St. Hilda's Church, Island Bay by Rev. G. Calvert Blathwayt, Rev. Walter William Bedwell, of Kaitaia, North Auckland Miss Elsie Hobday, of Island Bay, . Wellington.

Nell D A Mutter taught at Roseneath/Hataitai in 1917 and Petone DHS in 1921 and 1923. In 1930 was appointed Infant Mistress at Havelock school in Marlborough. Also taught at Glenorchy in Otago

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Elsie M Emerson only taught for Wellington Education Board at Roseneath/ Hataitai by 1917 to at least 1919.

19th February 1916 Mr. H. G. Miller, of Masterton, who recently passed his matriculation and general solicitor's examination, has received an appointment on the staff of the Roseneath (Wellington) School, and will take up his duties on Monday

22nd February 1916 The fire brigade committee of the Hataitai Ratepayers' Association announced last night that an auxiliary brigade had been formed and - that a fire station had been secured and plant installed. Superintendent Tait. was arranging for the erection of a fire alarm at the latest pattern. Owing to the danger of grass fires, several of which had occurred lately, it was decided to ask the headmaster of the Kilbirnie and Roseneath schools to warn their scholars against starting fires, which might, through the dryness of the grass on the hillsides, place houses in serious jeopardy.

1st March 1916 Wellington Education Board Tender let: Roseneath. asphaltting, Sargeant and Elton

7th April 1916 ROSENEATH SCHOOL. "PARENTS of SCHOLARS are hereby Notified that the School REOPENS on MONDAY, 10th APRIL. R. DARROCH, Headmaster.

12th April 1916 . There are eleven nominations for the nine seats on the Roseneath Committee, viz., Mrs. E. Low, Messrs. C. W. Bear, J. B. Brinsden, W. J. Gaudin, A. L. Hunt, F. Jelley, H. N. Morrison, J. Smith, F. Stott, S. Sunderland, H. R. Van Borssum

15th April 1916 The annual report of the Roseneath School Committee to be submitted to householders on Monday evening congratulates householders on the continued . progress of the school. The roll for the year ended 1915 was 235, the average attendance 228, being an increase of 26 as compared with 1914. At the annual examination 14 pupils gained proficiency certificates, and three competency out of a class of eighteen pupils. Seven pupils sat for the free place and scholarship examination and four gained free places.

Quite recently the Education Board extended Roseneath's School boundary by including a portion of Hataitai. The school that is being erected in that district will remove many of the discomforts experienced by the staff and pupils in the present building. Excellent work is also being done in this portion of the school district, and the average attendance is 54 out of a total of 66.' The interim Roll of Honour is kept' up to date, and now contains names of former pupils and teachers of the school. It is with deep feelings of regret that the committee have to record the death at the Dardanelles of Messrs. Lance Bridge, Cyril Aston, and' Percy Harlen. Mr. William East is also reported as having been severely' wounded.

In view of the fact, that an outbreak of infantile paralysis occurred in New Zealand the committee, with the assistance of the headmaster, did everything considered necessary- to remedy any matters that were likely to prove detrimental to' the health of the pupils. The provisions available for ventilating purposes in the school are abundant and are used to the best advantage. The school is disinfected, daily.

[Since the above was written it- was deemed advisable in the best interest of all concerned to close for a week and have the school thoroughly fumigated.]

The total amount raised by the school for the various patriotic funds in connection with the war is £450, which speaks well for the untiring efforts of the headmaster and his staff and the patriotic spirit of the residents in Roseneath school district .

The balance-sheet for the year ended December 31' shows a credit of £15 17s. 5d.

15th April 1916 The annual report of the Roseneath School Committee pays a tribute to Frank Kevil, an old boy of the Roseneath School, and now on H.M.S. Philomel, for his recent act of bravery in saving the lives of two of the crew. The incident was fully reported in The Post.

17th April 1916 The number of children on the roll at Roseneath in 1915- was 235, the average attendance 228, being an increase of 26 as compared with 1914. At the annual examination 14 pupils gained proficiency certificates, and three competency out of a class of eighteen pupils. Seven pupils sat for free-place and scholarship examination and four gained free places. During the year many changes took place in the teaching staff. In June of 1915 Messrs. F. Stafford, C. J. Bagley, and J. A. Wilson volunteered for military service. The committee, with teachers' and pupils' help, presented each with a wristlet watch. Quite recently the Education Board extended Roseneath's School boundary by including a portion of Hataitai. The school that is being erected in that district will remove many of the discomforts experienced by the staff and pupils in the present building. Excellent work is also being done at the side school, the average attendance being 54 out of a total of 66. The interim Roll of Honour is kept up to date, and now contains names of former pupils and teachers of the school. "It is with deep feelings of regret that we have to record the death at the Dardanelles of Messrs. Lance Bridge. Cyril Aston, and Percy Harlen. Mr. William East is also reported as having been, severely wounded." On Arbor Day trees were planted in honour of the nurses who had volunteered for active service, and of the heroes who had fallen at the Dardanelles. In view of the prevalence in other districts of infantile paralysis special measures were taken to ensure the health of the children and the cleanliness of the school buildings. The school was closed for a week and thoroughly fumigated. The total amount raised by the school for the various patriotic funds was £450, which speaks well for the untiring efforts of the headmaster and his staff, and the patriotic spirit of residents of Roseneath School district/. Owing to the many financial calls on the residents the formation of tennis courts was not proceeded with. The report concludes with a special tribute to the headmaster (Mr. R. Darroch) and his staff.

18th April 1916 . Roseneath School. Mr. H. M. Morrison 'presided at the meeting held at Roseneath School. The following committee was elected Messrs. H. M. Morrison (chairman), H. B. Van Borssum (secretary and treasurer), Mrs.; Low, Messrs. J. Smith, A. Leigh Hunt, S. Stott, W. J. Gaudin, J. B. Brinsden, Captain Jelley, The annual report has already appeared.

3rd June 1916 A novel feature of the Empire Day -celebration at Roseneath School yesterday was an appeal made for funds for the Blue Cross, the organisation charged with the care of sick and wounded horses. A little girl, Doris Organ, dressed as a nurse 'and-wearing the blue cross, recited " The Old Cavalry Charger," and a collection was afterwards made for the fund. Addresses were delivered during the afternoon by Mr. E. A. James and Mr. D. Darrock, headmaster. The children sang patriotic songs and the National Anthems of Great Britain and her Allies:

9th June 1916 Many yachtsmen, who have been. Wellington College boys will have a kindly recollection of Lieutenant Stainton, who left here with the Main Reinforcements.. He was a . good cricketer, and. though' not an active member of any yacht's crew, he used to fill a gap in the crew of the Amai under her former owner when required. He was at that time assistant-master at the Roseneath School. He has already been mentioned in despatches, and now comes the. intelligence that he 'has been awarded the Military Cross, an honour to be greatly proud of.

7th July 1916 Fifty midshipmen from the Japanese ships visited the Roseneath School Wellington, yesterday, and showed themselves greatly interested in school life, and particularly so in the singing of the children. The school choir sang at National Anthems of the Allies, and the visitors, in return, sang the Japanese Anthem and gave " Three Banzais." By special request of the visitors the children sang "Old Lang Syne," and then all combined in singing "God Save the King."

13th July 1916 Mr. T. R. Fleming, Chief Inspector of the Education Board, visited the Roseneath side school yesterday. Later on in the day Mr. Fleming paid a visit to the _ new school at Hataitai, which is rapidly approaching completion. The contractors are at present filling in the hollow on the Hataitai-road end of the playground, and when completed this should prove a boon to the numerous prospective scholars. •In conversation with a Post representative, Mr Fleming said he expected that the Hataitai School would be opened early in September.

3rd August 1916 Miss Bird, at present in charge of the Roseneath Side School, will take over •the. new school at -. Hataitai. early in September. The Dew school will replace the present, .side school of Roseneath but will be under the jurisdiction of .the Roseneath Committee.

30th August 1916 The new school at Hataitai, which is to be under the control of the Roseneath School Committee, will be opened on Tuesday week, 12th September. On the previous afternoon the building will be thrown open for public inspection.

2nd September 1916 The girls of the Roseneath School sent in thirty-five pairs of beautifully knitted socks to the Countess of Liverpool Fund yesterday! These are a most acceptable contribution to the 7000 pairs required for the Christmas parcels.

9th September 1916 WELLINGTON' EDUCATION BOARD OPENING HATAITAI SCHOOL. THE HATAITAI SCHOOL (Side School to Roseneath School) will be Opened at 9 a.m. on TUESDAY NEXT, 12th instant. Miss Bird will attend at 2.30 p.m. on MONDAY to enrol new pupils. New admissions will be limited to children up to Standard 3 who are resident in the extended Roseneath District, the Southern Boundary of which is-r-From Evans Bay--S. _ Boundary—Block 2, Evans Bay District, Kainui, Waipapa, Huia and Hataitai Roads, thence along Southern Boundary of Block 2, Evans Bay District, to Town Belt-West Town Belt and . Hay-street. G. L. STEWART, Secretary.

12th September 1916 he Hataitai infants' school (side school to the Roseneath School) will be opened at 9 o'clock this morning. The headmaster was in attendance yesterday afternoon for the purpose of receiving new pupils, and quite a number were enrolled. The official opening will take place later in the week. The infants' classes had previously been held in a private house, but now a capacious building has been erected with a large playground.

18th September 1916 To celebrate the opening of the new school, the Roseneath. School Committee organised a concert, which was given on Saturday evening. Two of the rooms

were converted into a large hall by removing the folding doors, and although large the accommodation was insufficient for the crowd which attended. His Worship the Mayor and the Hon. J. G. W. Aitken were present. Mr. H. N. Morrison (chairman of the Roseneath School Committee) presided, and in an address to the parents and children remarked upon the rapid growth of the suburbs of Roseneath and Hataitai. He paid a tribute to the headmaster (Mr. Robert Darroch) and his staff of teachers. His remarks were heartily applauded.

His Worship the Mayor (Mr. J. P. Luke) and the Hon. J. G. W. Aitken (chairman of the Education Board) gave interesting and instructive speeches, which were appreciated by adults and children alike. Mr. Aitken forecasted the early linking up of Hataitai and Roseneath whose interests were identical, whilst the Mayor gave interesting facts upon the war and what was to follow for 'the children of today. He remarked upon the activity of the Hataitai Ratepayers' Association, which, with the Roseneath School Committee and Roseneath Ratepayers' Association, was greatly responsible for the advancement of this portion of Wellington. The first part of the programme consisted of concerted items, capably rendered by the infants and the senior scholars under Mr. Darroch. Solo items were given by Misses Sunderland, Searle, Barr, and Masters Searle, Barr, Simeon and Maclaurin, whose items were enthusiastically received by the audience. During the interval Mr. Shields presented to Arthur Radford the Royal Humane Society's framed certificate for life-saving at Oriental Bay. The lad was cheered repeatedly by the audience. The second part of the programme was carried out by adults, the performers being the Misses Tasker, Newman, Grant, Brown, and Wing, and Messrs. J. Connell, Grix, and Wing. The accompanists were Mrs. Yolán, Misses Davidson and Hobday.

The proceeds of the concert are to go towards paying for the school piano, and entertainments will be held for this purpose in the near future.

27th September 1916 Mr H Miller probationer resigned

28th September 1916 A deputation from the Kilbirnie Committee waited upon the board to convey the committee's assent to the proposal to transfer a section of the Kilbirnie school district to the Roseneath district.

26th October 1916 There is a little school difficulty in the Hataitai and Kilbirnie district. In September last there was opened at Hataitai a side school, a branch of Roseneath School. Parents in the neighbourhood are disposed to rush the new school, and the board has had to define boundaries. At last meeting it decided to put into the Roseneath School district about half of Hataitai, leaving the other half in Kilbirnie. This arrangement both school committees approved. The residents of Hataitai, apparently, do not approve, for a petition was presented to the board yesterday asking that the whole of Hataitai should be incorporated in Roseneath. The board resolved, put of hand, without so much as hearing the petition or examining the signatures, not to vary the decision already made.

26th October 1916 A petition from Kilbirnie residents was received by the Wellington Education Board- at yesterday's meeting, requesting the board to transfer the whole of the Hataitai district to Roseneath. The chairman (the Hon. J. G. W. Aitken) stated that the board had transferred one block of the district to Roseneath, and both school committees approved. A new school was opened at Hataitai in September last, and the Kilbirnie residents wanted an unlimited opportunity to enter their children at the Hataitai school, which would result in

overcrowding the school in a very short time. -The board decided to adhere to the limits of the school area as already defined.

30th October 1916 There was a large attendance at the concert given in the. Hataitai new schoolroom, on Saturday evening by the Purple Courtiers, a local amateur combination, in aid of the piano fund, organised by the Roseneath School Committee. The various vocal and instrumental items were well received, and the piano fund will benefit substantially as a result.

31st October 1916 To illustrate the manner in which the Wellington Education Board is protecting the right of its teachers who have forsworn the schoolroom for the camp, particularly in regard to promotion, it is announced that Mr B. G. Hawkins, assistant at the Terrace School (.who left with the Eleventh Reinforcements) has been appointed first-assistant at Roseneath. Until Mr Hawkins is free to take up the appointment his work at Roseneath will be undertaken by Miss Tasker.

9th November 1916 Appointment Roseneath, assistant, Miss M. Loftus. [By 1917 Mabel U Loftus was at Te Aro]

14th December 1916 The following obtained proficiency and attendance certificates at the Roseneath and-,the Roseneath Side 'Schools for the year:— . ' PROFICIENCY CERTIFICATES. Roseneath School—Walter Chaplin, Martin Christensen, Henry Edwards, Elsie Fitzgerald, Frank Garland, Frank Gifford, William Maclaurin, Stanley Menzies, Lily Mitchell, Veronica Purcell, Arthur Radford, Enid Stott, Margaret Smith, May Tandy, Muriel Townsend,' Mable Witts.

Competency Certificate: Gurgnith Hamerton.

ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATES. Roseneath School—Lila Boddam, Clare Brown, Grace Brown, Gwen Bullock, Christena Clark, Danena' Clark, Maggie Clark, Neilena Clark, Martin- Christensen, Florence Dixon, Allen Downes, Keith Downes, Maxwell Frost, Clarence Fitzgerald, Elsie Fitzgerald, Herbert Fitzgerald, Jack Fitzgerald, Bertie Harlen, Jean Harrison, Cyril Judd, Dorothy Hobday, Dorothy Innis,' Fraser McLean, Stanley Menzies, Kitty Meyer, Dorothy . Newman, Geoffrey Newman, Albert Organ, Jack Petherick, Veronica Purcell, Leslie Reid, Mona Rule, Emily Rutledge, Ewen Scott, May Tandy, Muriel Townsend, Trevor Watt, Eric Wing, Gwen Wing, Mable Witts. '..."

Roseneath Side, Hataitai: John Barrett, Edward Christensen. Fred Dienes, Mavis Scott, Joyce Staff, Eunice Sunderland.

15th December 1916 ROSENEATH AND Hataitai Since last Christmas the operations of the Roseneath School have been extended to include a side-school at Hataitai. That fact, and the growth of the district was referred to at the "break-ups" of the two schools by the chairman of the committee, ;Mr. H. Morrison) yesterday morning. The work done during the past twelve months at Roseneath and since the new school was established at Hataitai reflected credit on Mr. Robert Darroch and his staff. The proficiency, competency, and attendance certificates were distributed at the functions.

1st March 1917 Wellington education Board: Roseneath, admissions to Hataitai Side School.—The following arrangement approved; Admissions up to the fourth standard of — (1) children who do not go to any school; (2) children who journey to town schools. Transfers from Kilbirnie school not to be accepted except in the case of removal of parents into the Roseneath district.

20th April 1917 Reference was made at the annual meeting of the Hataitai Municipal Electors' Association last night to the new schoolhouse, in which the meeting was held. "Although the school is at present a branch of the . Roseneath School," said Mr. A. Leigh Hunt, "I am convinced that before long the position will be reversed, and Roseneath will become a branch of the Hataitai School." (Hear, hear.)

24th April 1917 An election to fill the vacancies on the Roseneath School •Committee is unnecessary, as only the required number of nine nominations came to hand; The new committee consists of Messrs. C. W. Bear, P. W. P. Bullock, W. J. Gaudin, T. J. Ladd. H. A. Lines H. M. Morrison, W. H. Tolan and H. It. Vanborrsum, and Mrs. E. Low.

25th April 1917 The annual report-, of the Roseneath School Committee states that the number of names on the roll for the year ended 1916 was 287,, as against 261 for 1916, an increase of 26. The year's work has been extremely satisfactory. In October last the department increased: the marks required for the proficiency certificate, but notwithstanding this surprise on the eve of the examination,' 95 per. cent, of the scholars gained their proficiency certificates, which speaks volumes for the tuition at the school. The credit balance on 31st December was £41 1s 9d.

25th April 1917 Anzac Day was suitably celebrated at Roseneath and Hataitai School* today. Splendid addresses were given at both ,by Sapper Moore-Jones, the soldier artist, who took part in the original landing at Gallipoli.

26th April 1917 The Roseneath School Committee recently decided to erect a memorial in honour of the old boys who have fallen, and the project is meeting with unanimous approval of householders. The amount in hand and promised is £75. The City Council was asked to grant a piece of road reservation between the Church of England and the school gate and has granted the petition. A design submitted by Mr. W. J. Helyer has been approved and has been submitted to -the City Council for approval.

26th April 1917 It is .again our regretful, duty states, the annual report of the Roseneath School Committee to record the deaths of two move ex-scholars on the field of honour in the late J. B.. Smith and Bruce West. The committee desires to extend its sympathy to the parents in the loss of such promising young men who sacrificed themselves at the call of duty

1st May 1917 The meeting at Roseneath was presided over by Mr. H. N. Morrison. The annual report and balance-sheet were adopted. The. headmaster read his report. There was. no ballot for a new committee, and the following were declared elected:—Mrs. Lowe, Messrs. Morrison, "Van Borssum, Bear, Bullock, Gaudin, Ladd, Tolan, and Lines. Mr. Morrison was re-elected chairman and Mr. Van Borssum hon. secretary and treasurer.

1st May 1917.... Mr Leigh Hunt congratulated the school on the good work done during the year. Mr Darroch, headmaster, delivered a stirring address on the Navy and the Navy League, following on which a number of people came forward and joined the league.

7th July 1917 Towards the Little Victims' Fund for children affected by the recent air raid on London, Roseneath School has contributed £3 6s 1 ½ d and Hataitai School £2 2s 3d. .

15th August 1917 An interesting suggestion for sharpening juvenile interests in the War Loan comes from Mr. Robert Darroch, headmaster of the Roseneath School. He suggests that the children of each school —this he thinks, shall embrace all classes of school, primary, secondary, technical, and others—should organise their forces in a campaign for the

collection of disused articles, such as bottles, paper, tins, and so forth, and with the money thus obtained purchase Certificates on behalf of the school fund, Thus he says would be established a nice little investment by which the school, and incidentally, of course, the scholars, would benefit.

30th August 1917 As a result of a sale of waste products, the children of Roseneath and Hataitai Schools to-day purchased six War Loan Certificates. These certificates will be placed to the credit of the Schools' Games Fund.

30th October 1917 The celebration of Guy Fawkes' Day this year will be a source of profit to the men of the Navy and their dependents. The children of Hataitai, Roseneath, Kilbirnie, Miramar, Maranui, and Seatoun, and adjacent bays, are being organised by a band of patriotic citizens, and in accordance with their scheme the districts named' will be energetically canvassed early on Saturday next by boys bearing effigies of Guy Fawkes, and wearing distinguishing badges, and armed with sealed collecting boxes.

10th November 1917 The solemn, sad ceremony of unveiling a memorial to former pupils of the Roseneath School who have died in the defence of their country was performed by His Excellency the Governor-General, the Earl of Liverpool, this afternoon. There was a large attendance, including the headmaster (Mr.. R. Darroch), the teachers, and the present pupils of the school, their parents; and many residents of the district, members of the Wellington Education Board, the Mayor (Mr. J. P. Luke), and members of various local bodies. The proceedings were opened by the singing of the National Anthem, after which a few introductory remarks were made by the chairman of the Roseneath School Committee (Mr. R. N; Morrison). His Excellency the Governor-General then unveiled the memorial and delivered a brief and appropriate address. The Prime Minister (Rt Hon. W...F. Massey) followed with -a feeling reference to the young men who had made the supreme sacrifice. A short memorial service was conducted by Chaplain-Major Taylor. On the motion of the Mayor, supported by the headmaster (Mr.-R. Darroch),' a vote of thanks was accorded to His Excellency. A guard of honour was furnished by the Returned Soldiers' Association, "commanded by Lt.-Col. Hughes, C.M.G.,

The memorial consists of a stepped base, on which stands a square pedestal, about six feet high, with marble panels to receive the names of those who have fallen in the great war. , Standing on this is a Grecian 'Doric column typifying strength, surmounted with the globe, representing the Empire.. The total height of the memorial is about eighteen feet. The work was carried out by Mr. Walter Tonks, and was designed by Mr. William M. Page, _L.R.I.B.A., architect.;

Upon the memorial appear the following names:— . . Percy Harlen Lance Bridge ; Cyril Aston J. B. Smith . Bruce West. '

The recessional "Lest We Forget" and the hymn "Let God Arise" were sung, by the-pupils of the school, Miss Davidson presiding at the organ. The ceremony concluded by. three trumpeters from Trentham sounding; "The Last Post."

21st November 1917 Education Board: Miss D K Twomey Roseneath resigned

22nd December 1917 he breaking-np concert in connection with the Roseneath schools took place at Hataitai School on Thursday night. The Hataitai School children provided the first part of the programme, consisting of dances and recitations, whilst the Roseneath School children sang carols in the second part. The following carols were sung: "Good King

Wenceslas," "See, Amid the Winter's Snow," "The First Nowell," the wassail song, and "God Rest You, Merry Gentlemen." During the interval the chairman of the School Committee, Mr. H. N. Morrison, addressed the assembled parents and children, and presented the certificates gained during the year. The Meyer Memorial Prize for good -work, -was won by Percy Holdsworth Warren.

Proficiency. Howard Adams, Jack Petherick, Clive Menzies, Earl Noble-Campbell, John Mullins, Fred Lineker, .Margery Cheeseman, Clarice Gillies.' Competency. Max Frost, Geoffrey Renner, Geoffrey Newman, Neilena. Clark, Ivy Dorrian, Gertrude Ellis, Kitty Meyer, Jack Fitzgerald, Dorothy Dawson.

1918-1919

1919	134/137	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Darroch	Robert	D-29	Head	£400.00
1919	134/137	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Bird	Florence R	E-72	Assistant	£240.00
1919	134/137	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Davidson	Jessie L	D-63	Assistant	£210.00
1919	134/137	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Fossette	William E W R	D-82	Assistant	£210.00
1919	134/137	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Cumberworth	Dorothy M	C-90	Assistant	£195.00
1919	134/137	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Hobday	Elsie P	C-92	Assistant	£175.00
1919	134/137	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Clifford	Olive I	D-85	Assistant	£160.00
1919	134/137	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Adams	Eleanor M C		Probationer 2	£75.00
1919	134/137	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Barclay	Mary T		Probationer 2	£75.00
1919	134/137	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Emmerson	Elsie M		Probationer 2	£75.00
1919	134/137	Roseneath/Hataitai Side	Wilkie	Mavis G		Probationer 1	£65.00

Walter E W R Fossette was sole charge teacher at Pukehinou South of Horoeoka and North of Pongaroa. In 1911 Clyde Quay in 1913 to 1915, By 1915 was on war duty. Roseneath in 1919 and at the Normal school to at least 1923

12th April 1939 This Day. Walter Fossette B.A.. headmaster of the Carterton District High School, has been appointed headmaster of the Wanganui intermediate school in succession to Mr H. Rochfort. who has been appointed to the intermediate school at Christchurch.

Olive I Clifford started for the Wellington Education Board at Tokomaru 1909 to 1911 as a pupil teacher. In 1915 she was teacher at Castlepoint and 1917 at Mangamaire south of Pahiatua. Her last position in 1919 was at Roseneath.

1921/1272	Olive Isabel	Clifford	Leonard	Scholes
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Eleanor M C Adams Taught at Roseneath in 1919 and at Lansdowne [Masterton] in 1923 In 1936 was teaching at Wilford in the Hutt Valley

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Mary T Barclay was a probationer at Roseneath in 1919 and assistant at Mt Cook in 1923. Probably attended Training College in between

Mavis G Wilkie only taught as a probationer in 1919 at Roseneath and at Clyde Quay in 1923.

1st January 1918 The death from wounds is announced of Cpl James A. Wilson, third son of Mr. D. Wilson, of Dannevirke. Deceased, who was only 21 years of age, left with the 7th Reinforcements. During one of the big battles in France he gained the Military Medal for an

act of gallantry. Cpl. Wilson was educated at the Dannevirke North School, was dux of it, and then went to the local High School, gaining the position of dux there in 1914. He had a promising career ahead of him. He was teaching at Roseneath School, Wellington, and attending Victoria College when he volunteered for service, being then 19 years of age. He was a good sport, and a brother of Sgt. Hugh Wilson, now lying wounded in hospital in England.

20th March 1918 Miss R O Milnes appointed to Roseneath School

22nd April 1918 The report of the 'Roseneath School Committee states, inter alia, that the roll for the year ended March 18th, 1918, was 343, as against 301 for 1917—an increase of 39. The committee made several efforts in an endeavour to persuade the Education Board to purchase extra sections to prepare for the future extension of the playgrounds at Hataitai School, but so far without success, this was a matter that should have the earliest consideration of the incoming committee. Shortly after assuming office the committee decided on a grounds improvement scheme for both schools. The work at Hataitai, which is practically completed, comprised the removal of about 100 cubic yards of soil, sloping bank, erecting concrete toe-wall, and laying down about 1300 yards of asphalt. At Roseneath the work consisted of repairing old asphalt, top-dressing the whole, turfing banks, etc., and asphaltting that piece of ground known as the tennis court. This work has been carried out with the exception of asphaltting the tennis court. This has been delayed owing to the wooden breastwork giving way during the heavy rains during the spring; in fact, the indications were that the whole of the tennis court would be precipitated into the road. representations were made to the board, who immediately had a 'substantial concrete wall erected, and as a safeguard against further erosion by the weather are having the banks all round the tennis court concreted. This should be completed shortly; then the committee will put in hand the asphaltting. When finished the school will then have a playground which the residents should have every reason to be proud of. In response to a request from the Minister of Finance to all the schools of the Dominion to help with the War Loan, the children of our schools collected and sold waste products, being thus enabled to purchase seventeen £1 war certificates.

23rd April 1918 At the Roseneath School about 130 householders were present, and great enthusiasm was shown over the discussion of the circular resolutions of the Education Institute. The elected committee comprises the following:—Chairman, Mr. H. Morrison; secretary and treasurer, Mr. Van Borssum; members, Mrs. Low and Messrs. Gaudin, Bear, Lines, Tolan, Travers, and Bullock. Messrs. Morrison and Van Borssum were each re-elected for the fifth consecutive year as chairman and secretary respectively. The report of the headmaster (Mr. Darroch) showed an increase in the roll; number of 43. As a result of the bazaar about £250 was available for expenditure on school; playgrounds. The board impressed by the efforts of the people, was also spending a considerable sum.

11th June 1918 The Roseneath School has joined the School Committees' Association, and its representatives attended the meeting of the Association last evening and were welcomed by the president.

19th June 1918 Increased accommodation at the Hataitai School was asked for by a numerously-signed petition presented to the Education Board this morning: It was decided to send the petition on to the Roseneath and Kilbirnie School Committees.

5th December 1918 In reply to a request from Hataitai that that district should 'be made a separate school district (the school there is now a branch one of the Roseneath school). the Wellington Education Board decided yesterday that in the meantime the status of. the Hataitai school be not changed, and that consequently the application for the creation of a separate district be declined, but that the petitioners be informed that the board may reconsider the question at the end of 1919.

7th December 1918. [Schools had been closed for Spanish Flu Epidemic] ROSENEATH AND HATAITAI SCHOOLS. TEACHERS and Scholars are requested to attend at their respective Schools on TUESDAY, 10th DECEMBER, at 9 a.m., to (a) Complete returns., (b). Distribute. Books ... (c) Return Library Books H. N. MORRISON, Chairman.

19th February 1919 A: deputation of Hataitai residents waited upon the Education Board this morning to support a petition for the establishment of a school district at Hataitai and the provision of a full school.

Mr. A. D. Bayfield said they had at least 500 houses and 2000 residents in Hataitai, but they had not a full school nor representation on the Kilbirnie Committee, though they had representation on the Roseneath Committee. A full school at Hataitai would relieve the congestion in other schools, which were now fairly full. The upper school children should not be required to walk to Roseneath or Kilbirnie. Further, the break in the continuity of the education by transfer to another school was undesirable.

The Chairman (Mr. T. Forsyth) stated that the board would consider the request. He thought the district would be entitled to its separate school at the end of the year. The board had received authority from the Education Department to acquire three sections under the Public Works Act, but the grant proposed was not nearly sufficient.

After the deputation retired, the board discussed the request. Members generally considered Hataitai should have a full school, but there was a difference of opinion as to whether this should be granted immediately. Mr. Clark, while sympathetic with Hataitai's desire, said that the other schools were not overcrowded in the fifth and sixth standards.

After considerable discussion, the matter was referred to the Executive Committee for a report.

17th March The Cobar [Ferry between Wellington and Days Bay and Eastbourne] conveyed some 350 children of the Roseneath and Hataitai School to Day's Bay on Saturday, the occasion being the annual picnic of the school. Enroute to the bay, the Cobar went round the the troopship Hororata in the stream and gave the returned soldiers on board a hearty rally of welcome. The weather at the Bay was ail that could be desired, and the day was given up wholly to sports and merry-making. The girls' running championship was won by Maida Adams, and the boys' championship by Bruce Headlands. Miss Adams won the teachers' race, and Mrs. Neal the married women's race. The annual cricket match between the boys and the committee was won by the latter team, which made 83 runs, as against the boys' 50. Sweets and fruit were freely distributed by the committee, which also provided hot water, tea, sugar, and milk for all and sundry. During the luncheon interval opportunity was taken by Mr. Morrison (chairman of the committee) to present the dux gold medal (donated by Dr. Adams) to Neilerie Clark. Through the courtesy of the Eastbourne ferry officials the picnickers embarked and disembarked at the Clyde Quay Wharf.

8th April 1919 The nominations received for the Roseneath Committee are just sufficient to fill the committee, so no election will be necessary. The new committee is as under:- Mrs. E. Low, Messrs. H. W. Morrison, H. A. Lines, H. W. Tolan, C. W. Bear, S. Sunderland D. Wilson, H. R. van Borssum, R. R. Crerar.

10th April 1919 The monument erected by the residents of the Roseneath School District to the memory of the old boys of the school who have fallen in the war, bears the inscription of 13 names "While the monument will remain a lasting remembrance of the sacrifices made by the families resident among us," says the School Committee in its annual report, "we regret exceedingly that the cause of humanity should make such a call; on those entering into the fullness of life, and extend our sympathy to their relatives in their irreparable loss." The following is a complete list of the names:—Lance Bridge, Percy Harlen, Cyril Aston, John Black Smith, Bruce West, Hugh Decimus Bridge, Herbert Hodder, James A. Wilson, Delroy Baron Packer, John Victor Roberts, James Dunn, Hubert Geo. Scott, Bert W. P. Hughes.

10th April 1919 ROSENEATH. The roll for the year ended 18th March totalled 308. with an average attendance of .28. The dux gold medal donated by Dr. O. E. Adams was won by Neilena Clark. Mr. Clark, a former old boy gives a similar medal for next year. Permission was granted to the Rev. H. Braddock to use the school after regular class hours for the purpose of imparting religious knowledge to those children whose parents are willing they should attend. The piano purchased two years ago for the Hataitai School at a cost of 75 guineas [A guinea was 1 pound 1 shilling] is now free from debt. In view of the possible shortage of coal arrangements have been made for an early delivery of sufficient fuel for the winter months. Over £720 was raised through the school for the various patriotic funds in connection with the war: The tennis court of the Roseneath School has been asphalted, and the banks concreted. The courts are let to a tennis club for £12 per annum. The Hataitai School has undoubtedly filled its purpose as a side school, and although unsuccessful efforts have been made during the year to have the school created a full standard one, the committee hopes that by the next annual meeting. Hataitai will be a separate school district and urges the incoming committee to give this matter its immediate attention. In conclusion, the committee says: "To Mr. Darroch and his teaching staff we express our sincere appreciation of their work during the trying years of war. Apart from the general excellence of the school work, we have at all times admired the efforts of the teachers in inculcating into the minds of the children a proper spirit of loyalty and self-sacrifice to our Empire, and we feel confident that in the great days to come these efforts will not be relaxed. In this connection we trust another session of Parliament will not be allowed to pass without a proper and substantial recognition of the value of education to the youth of this Dominion. Teachers in the immediate future should have their salaries substantially increased and our system of education generally brought up to date."

12th April 1919 ROSENEATH. The Roseneath Committee records that the dux medal given by Dr. E. C. Adams was won by Neilena Clark. Mr. Clark, an old boy of the school, gives a similar medal for competition this year. Permission was granted to the Rev. H. Braddock to use the School after regular class hours for the purpose of imparting religious knowledge to children whose parents were willing that they should attend. In view of the possible shortage of coal, arrangements have been made for an early delivery of sufficient fuel for the winter months. The general health of the pupils has been excellent, and the caretaker is given

a word of praise for the way in which he has his duties.' The monument erected to tie memory of old boys of the school who have fallen in the war bears an inscription of thirteen names. Tim school has raised during the war over £720 for various patriotic funds. This amount does not include £106 raised for the memorial to the fallen. The committee hopes that by the time of the next annual meeting the side-school at Hataitai will have been made the headquarters of a separate school district. Towards the end of last year it .was proposed, to install two bubble fountains at Roseneath and two at Hataitai. The installation is now completed. Of the teachers who did yeoman. service during -the epidemic, the committee singles out for special mention Miss Davidson, who helped dozens of 'families while" the scourge " was at its height. Staff changes are recorded as 'follow: Mr. Fossette has taken up s position as third being the first male assistant' appointed since war broke out in 1914, and the committee trusts that a'-similar.- appointment will be made to the Hataitai School as possible. Miss Milnes has been lost to the school through .appointment la Levin. Miss Wilkie has been, appointed a probationer. Miss Tasker has resigned from the .staff to take a higher position in the Canterbury district., Beautification of the School grounds-has received the careful attention of the residents at both Roseneath and Hataitai The City Council has provided libraries-for both schools, and Mr. Perry has .very, carefully supervised them. The committee supports a suggestion that the. School Committees Association should advocate a grant to the libraries from ;the McCarthy Trust

17th April 1919 Miss K L Tasker resigns

9th May 1919 Miss K. Tasker, who has filled' the position of infant mistress at Roseneath School for the last six years, having resigned to take » position under the' Canterbury Education Board, was the recipient of handsome presents from the staff and scholars. Mr. Morrison, chairman of the School Committee, in making the presentation, referred to Miss Tusker's excellent work at Roseneath, and on behalf of all present wished 'her every success, in her new sphere. [Sole Charge Laghmer]

7th June 1919 Miss O I Clifford appointed an assistant

16th June 1919 A good deal of quiet resentment is being expressed at the action of the City Council in asking an annual rental of £5 for an encroachment made on to a public road at Hataitai by the Roseneath Side School ground. This matter was referred to by Mr. W. Feilding in a statement to the City Council the other evening. "By the school authorities fencing in this waste reservation," lie said, "they have—like the residents— saved the council an immense expenditure Working-bees in connection with the school committee have improved the waste lauds by planting shrubs, which mako the appearance generally pleasing to the public, but apparently the civic authorities give them very little credit for their labours." It is understood that there have been cases in which the Education Board lias met the City Council in a liberal spirit in respect to land easements, and members of the board are inclined to agree with the Hataitai residents in their view of the action of the council.

21st July 1919 The Roseneath schoolboys, under the direction of Mr. T, Ward, are to be congratulated on their efforts in connection with the bonfire on Mt. Victoria on Saturday night. The fire made a very effective background for. the main feature in Oriental Bay.

21st July 1919 In remembrance of the "old boys", who have fallen at -the front, the monument to their memory at the Roseneath School was to-day draped with the Union Jack, and a laurel wreath was placed at the base

22nd July 1919 In the list of schools mentioned as having taken part in yesterday's Peace procession, no reference was made to the Roseneath and Hataitai Schools. These were represented by 130 children, together with the teachers and members of the school committee. The Roseneath children carried the Royal Standard of Scotland, a very fine flag presented to them by Roseneath School, Scotland, and unfurled by the Earl of Liverpool at the express wish of Princess Louise on 22nd February, 1913. Princess Louise, on the 21st October, 1912, unfurled at the Scottish School the New Zealand Ensign, presented by the Wellington Roseneath children.

15th September 1919 , A concert in the Oriental Bay Kiosk in aid of the picnic and prize fund of the Roseneath. School was given by the members of the "Cheero Girls" Company last week and proved a great success. The proceedings were opened with an address by Dr. Newman, M.P., who in the course of his remarks referred to the necessity of whole-hearted support by, parents being given to school committees in their endeavours to make school life as attractive as possible. An excellent programme was given, in which the following ladies took part :—Misses Price, P. Wright Alice Gunn, Doris Webb, Rose Carte, Greening, and Pauline Brown, with Miss Maude Edmondson as an excellent accompanist. The chairman of the School Committee (Mr. H. N. Morrison) thanked all those who so ably assisted to make the concert such a great success. The proceedings terminated with the singing of the National Anthem.

17th December 1919 Mr. H. N. Morrison presided at the breaking-up concert and distribution of prizes at Roseneath School on Friday night. An excellent musical' entertainment was provided by the children. Mr. Morrison presented the following certificates and prizes : — Proficiency—1. Darroch, B. Midlane, A.. Organ, Maisie Adams, Irene Hawthorn, Eva Rutledge, May Watson, Eileen Taylor.

Competency.—H. McLellan, J. Prenderville Joyce Staff. Attendance.—

H. McLellan, B. Midlane, Irene Hawthorn, Agnes Porteous, Christena Clack, Joyce Staff, Eileen Taylor, C. Juriss, _T, Denton, K. Hawthorn, D. Clark, C. Fitzgerald, Dorothy Newman, Edith Dyson, K. Thomas, K. Elliott, A. Downes, G. Cox, R. Calvert, E. Elliott, W. Greenbank, H. Stephenson, G. Barlow, P. Fitzgerald, A. Jones, A. McLellan, J. Stephenson, Edith Ross, Colleen Barry, S. Greenbank, R. Menzies, Maggie Clark, Olivette Goldsmith, Joan Jones.

PRIZE-LIST. Standard VI.—Highest marks proficiency examination (gift of Mr. Cording) : Boys, I. Darroch; girls, Maisie Adams. General progress: Eileen Taylor 1, May Watson 2. Naval essay: " Battle of Jutland" (gift of Mr. Paquilin): Boys, I. Darroch; girls, Marie Adams. Drawing: B. Midlane.

Standard V.—General progress : L. Richards 1, Elsie Cooper, N. Denton, J. Barrett 2. Writing: D. Clark 1, Eileen Wright 2. Reading: Doris Carrington 1.

Standard IV.—Reading: K. Thomas 1, Leilah Witts 2. Writing: M. Cook 1, E. Dyson 2. Arithmetic: K. Elliott, K. Thomas, G. Cox, B. Darroch (equal) 1, Leilah Witts -2. Special for general progress (Mrs. Elliott's prize): C. Fitzgerald.

Standard III Reading: D. McGrath and R. Elliott (equal) 1. Writing: Nellie Cooper 1, W. Greenbank 2. Arithmetic: D. McGrath 1, R. Elliott and Beryl Midlane (equal) 2. Standard II.—Reading: Olive Goldsmith 1, H. Denton 2. Writing: R. . Menzies 1, Olive Goldsmith 2. Arithmetic : S-. Thomas 1, Maggie Clark 2.

Standard I.—Reading: Edith Ross 1, Mary Prendeville 2. Writing: Marie Tollan 1, G. Barlow 2. Arithmetic: Edith Ross 1, J. Stephenson 2.

P3.—G. Kerr, P. McGrath, C. Myberg, W. Toogood, R. McMurray, Edna Coad, Leah Dillistone, Joyce Downes, Venus Darragh, Ethel Grainger, Florrie Isbister, Comfort Rowlands.'

P2.—S. Barlow, H. Stephenson, J. McMurray, F. Hoy, Muriel Isbister, Dorothy Lewis, Alice Sired.

Pl.—P. Downes, A. Harris. T. Maitland, J. McGill.' L. Nolan, J. Nolan, J. Pack, O. Wrigley. H. Barnes, A. Isbister, B. Cox, B. Ritzema Meg Cimino. Kathleen Fitzgerald, Ada Gay, Edne Neal. Peggy Pegram, Daphne Staff, Joan McLellan, Rona Barry, Elsie Waller, J. Pegrum, Edna Hawthorn, Mona Kelly.

1920-1921 Roseneath

1921	141	Roseneath	Stephens	James T O	B	Head	£400.00
1921	141	Roseneath	McGowan	Mary	B	Infant Mistress	£250.00
1921	141	Roseneath	Cumberworth	Dorothy M	C	Assistant	£230.00
1921	141	Roseneath	Croucher	Alice F		Probationer 2	£120.00
1921	141	Roseneath	Ward	Rhoda A		Probationer 1	£95.00
1921	141	Roseneath	Baker	Gladys M		PT1	£5.00

James T O Stephens was a teacher at Petone DHS from 1913 to 1915. Then from around 1917 to 1919 he was at Petone West. He was at Roseneath from around 1921. In the 1930's was teaching for the Canterbury Education Board.

Mary McGowan had a long career with the Wellington Education Board. In 1893 Mary McGowan started her career with the Wellington Education Board at Levin School as an assistant with a roll of 47. In 1896 and 1897 she was presumably at Training College. 1898-1899 was sole teacher at Wairere 37 Kilometres North East of Masterton from 1900 to 1904 was sole teacher at Judgeford. Then came into Wellington in 1905 to 1915 at Newtown School. 1917 to 1919 she taught at Ngaio and by 1921 to at least 1923 was infant mistress at Roseneath

Alice F Croucher only taught in 1921 at Roseneath

Rhoda A Ward only taught in 1921 at Roseneath

Gladys M Baker only taught in 1921 at Roseneath

4th February 1920 The Navy League reports that Roseneath School has 100 members of the league.

10th February 1940 The annual picnic of the Roseneath and Hataitai schools will be held at Day's Bay on Saturday next. It has been arranged for. a boat to leave and return to Clyde-quay wharf. The Health Authorities see no reason why the picnic should not be held, and it is hoped the weather will be favourable. The committee has made excellent arrangements for the outing.

16th February 1920 The annual picnic of the Roseneath and Hataitai Public Schools was held at Day's Bay on Saturday last. Owing to the schools being closed the attendance was not as large as in previous year 3. The picnickers were well provided for by the committee, and a very enjoyable day was spent. Miss Maisie Adams was presented with the gold dux medal

given to the school by Mr. C. Clarke. The presentation was made by the chairman. A cricket match between the committee and the pupils was won by the former. Mrs. Leigh Hunt carried off both married ladies' races, and Mr. J. Donald was successful in the men's race.

3rd April 1920 Wellington Education Board Wanted Assistant £160 to £200

27th April 1920 The number of male candidates for teaching work in our State schools is visibly diminishing. 'The Roseneath School Committee, in its annual report, says: "Your committee view with apprehension the falling-oil' of males entering the teaching profession. This result is attributed to the more attractive remuneration offered in other callings. If this serious position arising from the lack of male teachers is to be retrieved, it will be necessary to materially revise the salary scales at present operating in this department of the Public Service."

29th April 1920 Roseneath: The annual 'meeting- of ' ; householders was held in the above school and there was a large attendance. The following committee was elected :-Chairman 'Mr Van Vorssum; secretary, Mr Crerar; committee, Messrs C. W. Bear, H, A, Lines, R. R. Crerar. E. .A. low. Rev F K. Petrie, E. W. Tolan. C. McL. Turnbull, L. Wilson

15th July 1920 ROSENEATH SCHOOL ~~ GRAND CONCERT IN AID OF SPORTS GROUND, TO-MORROW NIGHT, at 8 sharp. . Good Talent Engaged. Admission 1 shilling, TO CONCLUDE WITH A DANCE

19th July 1920 Residents of Roseneath . met in the school on Friday for the purpose of making a presentation to Mr. H. S. Morrison, who has resigned the position of chairman of the School Committee, after having held the office for seven years. After a programme of vocal and instrumental music, Mr: Van Bursum, who was in the chair, asked Mr. Morrison to accept from the residents a handsome gold watch and chain as a token of the esteem in which he is held. Mrs. Morrison was also made the recipient of a gold brooch. .Mr. Morrison suitably replied.

22nd July 1920 Approval of the separation of Hataitai from the Roseneath School was given at yesterday's meeting of the Education Board, but the action will not take effect until the end of the current year. The Chairman stated that in view of the fact that scholars would be disturbed by making a shift at this time of the year it was thought desirable that the separation should not be made until the year's work had been completed. The separation would leave about 160 scholars at Roseneath, and a slightly larger number would be attending Hataitai.

13th September 1920 Mr. R. Darroch, headmaster of the Roseneath State School, has resigned from the service of the Wellington Education Board, in order to take up his appointment under the Government as tutor to the youths fresh from the public schools, who are to enter the Public Service under, the new scheme arranged by the Government. Mr. Darroch has been headmaster of the Roseneath School for the past eleven years. He has done excellent work in connection with the Navy League and has also been of great assistance in the work of coaching ex-soldier students under the vocational training scheme.

3rd November 1920 Up till the present year the Hataitai School has been a side school, under the control of the headmaster of the- Roseneath School, Mr. B. Darroch, but owing to the rapid growth of the Hataitai district and school it has been found necessary-to make the school a separate one under the control of its own headmaster. With the resignation of Mr. Darroch from the control of the two schools and the Education Board (to take up tutorial duties under-the Government), the board has had to find two new headmasters. Three names

were submitted to each of the school committees in the ordinary way, and the committees have made their choice. Mr. J. T. O. Stephens has been appointed headmaster of the Roseneath School. Mr. Stephens, who is at present first assistant at the Petone West School, has had eleven years' teaching experience, and has been in the employ of the Wellington Education Board since 1913. Mr. Balfour Kean, who has been appointed headmaster at Hataitai, is at present first assistant at the Willis Street School. He began his teaching career as a pupil teacher in 1891. Both headmasters are B certificate men.

30th November 1920 The pupils and staff of the Roseneath School, with a number of parents, ex scholars, and residents of Hataitai, gathered in the schoolroom last evening to farewell Mr. Robert Darroch, headmaster of the Roseneath School, who is resigning to take up the appointment of instructor to the cadets and probationers who are desirous of entering the Public Service.

Mr. T. Forsyth, chairman of the Wellington Education Board, in the course of some eulogistic remarks, said that during eleven years' service Mr. Darroch had performed his work efficiently, not only as a headmaster and a scholar, but as a true and thorough representative of Wellington. (Applause.) At the present time the Education Board was handicapped by the shortage of teachers, and they were sorry to lose the services of such a valued officer. In the civic affairs of the city Mr. Darroch had taken an active part, not a little of which had identified him with the Navy League, and he had proved himself an able man. In conclusion, he expressed deep regret at losing Mr. Darroch, but, with him, went all the good wishes of the residents of Roseneath for his every success and prosperity. Mr. Forsyth made sympathetic reference to Mrs. Darroch's inability to be present owing to ill-health.

Mr. Morrison, ex-chairman of the school committee, Mr. Van Borssum, and Dr. J. Elliott, on behalf of the parents, paid tribute to Mr. Darroch's work.

Mrs. A. Low handed to Mr. Darroch a bouquet of roses for his wife. Mr. Darroch was the recipient of a pair of binoculars from the pupils and staff, a bouquet from his girl pupils, a bouquet from the school children for Mrs. Darroch, and by Mr. H. R. Van Borssum, chairman of the school committee, a handsome cheque from the residents of Roseneath and Hataitai.

Mr. Darroch, in reply, said that much of his success was the result of the working of his loyal staff—two of whom, Miss Davidson at Roseneath, and Miss Bird at Hataitai deserved special praise. The school year, about to finish, had been most successful from every point of view, and the work of his sixth standard pupils, as disclosed at the recent examination, had been excellent. To ensure happiness at school had been a feature of his work. Games, he considered, were an important, if not the most important part of the school life. During the war the school had done its share, and had supported loyally every good cause, thus inculcating in the young a loyal and patriotic spirit. In conclusion, he thanked all very sincerely for their kind thoughts and wishes, and for the loyal support he had always received from the staff, the boys and girls, and the parents.

During the evening a programme of musical, vocal, and elocutionary items, was given, by the pupils and staff.

16th December 1920 Hataitai School. The annual concert and prize distribution at the Hataitai School took place on Tuesday. Mr. H. R. Van Borssum, chairman of the committee, presided. The school was packed. A very fine programme was contributed by the Children and heartily enjoyed by the large audience. Mr. Balfour Kean, the new headmaster, was

present and was introduced by Mr. Darroch, who commented on the splendid work achieved in the school, and on the excellent, teaching staff, Miss Bird, infant mistress, being specially mentioned. Miss E. P. Hobday, Who is to be transferred after six years' faithful service, was the recipient of a handsome hand-bag from the children and staff and was presented with a lovely bouquet by Miss Dolly Stott. Miss Hobday, who was received with prolonged applause,, feelingly replied. The following is the prize list

Standard IV.—Highest marks for year, Bruce Furkert; English, Harry Bishop ; highest marks for year, Marjorie Combs ; arithmetic, Beatrice Ardell; reading) Vivienne Hunt.; progress, Margery Symonds. neatness, Nancy Cashman; writing, Vera Tolan.

Standard III.—Reading, Neville Hislop ; arithmetic, Percy Warren ; progress, Gordon Bell; waiting, Eleanor Hunt; sewing, Margaret McKenzie neatness, Kathleen Sims; progress, Nancy Beck; neatness in homework, Margaret Fountain.

Standard II. (Upper).—Spelling,. William Lauchlan reading, Thomas Watt; arithmetic, .Norman Stott; progress, Denis Elliott; neatness, Gordon Johnson; Writing, Audrey Johnson.

Standard 11. (Lower). —Spelling, Jean Watts ; reading, Alan Donald; arithmetic, Marion Watson ; progress, Maurice Moeller; neatness, Nellie Woodger; writing, Jean Flyger.

Standard I.—Spelling, Margaret Webb ; reading, Doris Musker; arithmetic, Florence Sims j progress, Sally Percival; neatness, Cyril Gyles; writing, Gilbert Couper.

P. IV.—Joan Wallace, Mervyn Eglinton, Ian Watts. Every child in the Infant room received a book

17th December 1920 ROSENEATH The annual prize-giving of the above school took place, in the schoolroom on Wednesday evening, before a large attendance of parents. Proceedings were opened with a children's concert, and' in the rendering of various items considerable talent was displayed. Dancing, solos, part songs, and choruses were given by the pupils, reflecting great credit on the teachers, who had the training in hand The school is losing Mr. Darroch, headmaster. and Miss Davidson, head-mistress who have been connected with the school for many years, and deep regret was expressed for the loss to the district of such valuable teachers. Before presenting the prizes the chairman of the school committee. Mr. H. R. van Borssum. on behalf of the parents,, thanked the teaching staff for the excellent results obtained during the year, and said the solid grounding pupils had received at the Roseneath School had enabled many to , excel In the higher secondary course

During the evening Miss J. Davidson late assistant teacher at the school, was the recipient of a number of valuable souvenirs in the form of a presentation from the teachers and pupils.

Proficiency Certificates—Standard VI • Christina Clark, 'Agnes Porteous, Nellie Robson, Joyce Staff, Ruby Tipling , Eileen Wright. John Harnett. Norwood Denton Clarence Dorian , Herbert Fitzgerald' Campbell Highet, Jack Prendeville. Lincoln Richards.

Endorsed Proficiency Certificates.—Damena Clark, Sidney Holley, Keith Hawthorne, Keith Skerrett. Mollie Petria.

.Standard V.-George Cox, Kennedy Elliott, Kenneth Thomas. Science.-Special prize: Robert Elliott Progress during year, Standard VI Keith Hawthorn.

Standard VI.—Girls: Nellie Robson, Eileen Wright, 2; Ruby Tipling and Joyce Staff, 3. Boys: Campbell Highet, 1; Jack Prendeville, 2: Norrie Denton. 3.

Standard V.-Girls: Phyllis Prendeville 1 Freda Stott, 2; Oenone Baker, 3. Boys Walter Barnett, 1; Edward Gilford, 2, • Harold Richards. 3.

Standard IV.-Girls: Jean Watson, 1 Winnie Nayler, 2; Nellie Scott. 3. Boys William Greenbank, 1; Clive Highet, 2 Robert Elliott. 3. Special prize for progress during the year: Stanley Thomas

Standard III -Girls: Phyllis Batien. 1; Margaret Watson, 2. Boys: Bill Adams, 1: Harry Denton, 2; Roy Menzies, 3,

Standard II.—Lois Richards, Edith Kerr Marie Tollan. Trixie Denton, Maisie Cattell, Mary Prendeville, Irene -Thomas, Pearce Fitzgerald.

Standard -I.—Venus Darragh, Florrie Isbister , Warren Toogood, Arthur Naylor.

Infants Prizes.—Primer I: Cuthbert Denham, first prize; Kathleen Cornelius, Second prize; Flo Darragh, Mairi Nicholson, Jeanne Nicholson, Willie Brockie, Bruce Appleton, Myra Hawthorne, Jimmy Pegram, Stanley Moore, Marlon Dyson, Jim Fletcher.

Primer II.—Billy Withey, first prize; David Prendeville, second prize; Elsie Weller, Eric Witts, Howard Judd, Lawrence Hart, Philip Downed, Sydney Denham, .Basil Cox, Cecil Brisbane, Herbert Barnes.

Primer III.—Edna Nicholson, first prize; Alfreda Harris. second prize; Edna Neal, Mona Kelly, Edna Hawthorne, Arthur Isbister, Jack Pack,. Kathie Fitzgerald, Peggy Pegram. Daphne Staff, Jack Nolan Leo Nolan, Ada Gay.

4th February 1921 The Wellington City War Trophies Committee has distributed trophies allotted to it as follows : — Machine-guns.—General Headquarters, Mount Cook, 2; Roseneath School,- 1 ; Hataitai School, 1;

23rd February 1921 Mr J. T. O. Stephens, first assistant master at the Petone West School, find who has been appointed headmaster of the Roseneath School, was the recipient of a gold watch, the gift of the parents of the scholars and members of the school committee of the Petone West School* The presentation was made by Mr H. Jay, chairman of the school committee, who testified to the excellent services that Mr Stephens had rendered the school and pupils, not alone from an educational standpoint, but also in the field of sport. Amongst other speakers Mr J. W McEwan (Mayor of Petone) paid tribute to Mr Stephens, as did Mr D. Bedingfield. headmaster of the school. Mr Stephens suitably replied.

17th March 1921 The Roseneath school committee communicated that additional accommodation was required at Hataitai, as the present accommodation was inadequate by one class room. Messrs Clark and White were deputed to inquire as to the amount of work that would be involved in the provision of further space. and to draw up a rough estimate of the cost

12th April 1921 ROSENEATH. Following are the nominations for the Roseneath School; Committee :—Mrs. E. Low, J. Prendeville, T. G, Cox, C. M. Turnbull, William Staff, H. H. Osmer, L. T. Rogers, R. C. Butcher, J. H. Dixon, H. Dyson, M. A. Rowland.-

15th April 1921 In its annual report, to be presented to the meeting of householders on Monday evening, the committee of the Roseneath School pays' a special tribute to the work of the recently-retired headmaster, Mr. B. Darroch, in the following manner :—"In the month of September last Mr. Darroch tendered his resignation; having received an appointment under the Public Service Commissioner.' Mr. Darroch is deserving of great credit for his enthusiastic endeavours in educational matters, and his deep concern for the future citizens who pass through the school year after year, and whilst regretting very much the loss of such

an able headmaster we feel sure you will join, with us in wishing him' every success in the new sphere in ;his profession."

The committee records with deep regret the passing away of Mrs. Darroch. "Prior to her long and painful illness she took an active part in all social matters pertaining to the school, and was of a cheerful disposition, a true friend and will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Referring to the work of the staff generally, the Chairman, of the committee writes : "We desire to place on record our high appreciation .of the service^ of the teaching staff. As we closely examine the work of the school we are more than convinced that Mr. Darroch. and his staff have placed the school on the highest pinnacle from an academic, moral, and physical standpoint."

19th April 1921 Mr. H. R. Van Borssum presided over a good attendance of householders at Roseneath. The. report and balance-sheet were adopted. The following were elected : Mrs. E ; Low, Messrs. T. G. Cox, J. H. Dixon, H. Dyson, J. Prendeville, M. A. Rowlands, and C. M. Turnbull. The withdrawing committee were accorded a hearty vote of thanks for services rendered during the past year. Mr. J. Prendeville was elected chairman of the committee, and Mr. T. G. Cox secretary.

19th April 1921 In his report to householders at the Clyde-quay School, last evening, the Headmaster (Mr. W. Foster) pointed out that as a result of the opening of a new school at Roseneath, for the first time since lie has filled the position of. headmaster, no pupils were taken from the Hataitai or Roseneath districts at the beginning of the year.

7th December 1921 A successful concert was held in the Roseneath School in aid -of the children's prize fund. A splendid programme was provided by Mr Norman Aitken and members of the Charley's Aunt Club, including Mrs E. Tracey, Misses G. Harbroe, Thelma Aitken. and Phyllis Bead, and Messrs Lionel Inch. Austin Blackie, Stuart Nelson, W- J- Hanlon, J. E. Carr, and Jack Wilkinson

37th December 1921 ' fi 18 .annual breaking up concert was held prior to the commencement of the holidays. Mr. J. Prendeville presiding over a large attendance of parents, old and present scholars. An excellent programme of musical,- elocutionary and dancing items was provided by the scholars. At the conclusion of the Concert programme Mr Van Borssum a former chairman of the school committee,; presented to Miss Davidson, who until the end of 1920 occupied the position .of assistant mistress, a handsome gold bangle on behalf of the old pupils and friends of. the school. Miss Davidson suitably responded

-Before the presentation of the prizes Mr J. Prendeville, chairman of the school committee, referred to the good work done;' by' the school during the year , with special mention of the success the annual proficiency certificate examination and pointed out that with a further increase in attendance the school would be in a better position to do even better work.
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1923	154	Roseneath	Stephens	James T O	B-79	Head	£405.00
1923	154	Roseneath	McGowan	Mary	B-160	Infant Mistress	£253.00
1923	154	Roseneath	Lake	Lulu A	C-153	Assistant	£225.00
1923	154	Roseneath	Miller	Leslie G		PT1	£118.00

1923	154	Roseneath	Hogg	Ralph		Probationer 2	£83.00
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Lulu A Lake was at Island Bay in 1921 and Roseneath in 1923 In 1929 was Infant mistress at Hataitai

Leslie G Miller was a pupil teacher Roseneath in 1923.

Ralph Hogg was a probationer at Roseneath in 1923

27th February 1922 The annual picnic of the Roseneath State School was held last Saturday at Day's Bay, and thanks to the untiring efforts of the staff and the school committee, was most successful. There was a record attendance of. children and their parents, and a lengthy sports' programme was thoroughly enjoyed.

19th April 1922 ROSENEATH. Mrs Lowe, Archdeacon Innes-Jones, and Messrs Cox, Dyson, Lee, Staff, and J. Prendeville. This being just the number of members required there will be no election.

28th April 1922 ROSENEATH. There was only a score of residents present at the annual meeting to elect the school committee for Roseneath, Mr J. Prendeville presiding. The annual report stated that the average attendance during 1901 was 141, and the roll number was 174. For the first quarter of 1922 the average attendance was 158, and the roll number at present is 177, against 144 at the beginning of 1921. Application was made by the local clergy for permission to circularise parents for the purpose of obtaining their approval to religious instruction under what is known as the "Nelson system" being introduced into the- school. Their request was granted, and resulted in over 80 per cent, of the parents voting in favour of it. In the result of this referendum permission was granted to have the religious instruction introduced into the school, the committee reserving the right to cancel the arrangement. On Wednesday mornings, 9 to 9.30, Bible instruction is given by Archdeacon Inness Jones and Captain Jackson (Salvation Army) to the pupils of Standards I to VI, provided their parents do not object. Except for the loss of time the school has been in no way inconvenienced, and the instructors have been courteous and punctual in the discharge of their duties In the proficiency examination of Standard VI nineteen passed out of twenty presented. The dux of the school was Walter Barratt, the award being decided by the inspector's examination. Barratt was also successful in qualifying for a junior free place in the junior national scholarship examination. With the assistance of the Tennis Club the sum of £56 was raised for the purpose of making ground improvements. After having the site excavated and levelled, the Education Department refused to grant a subsidy on the amount raised, on account of the tenure of the ground, but the application had been renewed and it was hoped that the subsidy will now be granted, although it will be at the rate of 10s in the £, according to the new regulations of the department. It is estimated that the cost of completing the work will be £150 . The balance-sheet showed a credit; balance on all accounts of £25 3s 11d. The three resolutions from the School Committees' Association were adopted, also the following: —"That this meeting approves the action of the retiring committee in inquiring into adjustment of accounts' between (Hataitai and Roseneath,) At a meeting of the incoming committee. held after the householders meeting, Mr Prendiville was elected chairman, and Mr Cox secretary and treasurer.

22nd June 1922 SOCIAL EVENING, •In Aid of Grounds Improvement Fund. ROSENEATH SCHOOL, SATURDAY, 24th JUNE,, 1922. . Euchre 7.30 p.m. Dancing- 9.30 p.m. T G COX, Hon. Sec.

19th July 1922 A very successful community "sing" was held at Roseneath last night, under the auspices of the local School Committee and in aid of the Schoolground Improvement Fund. There was a large attendance, and everybody joined enthusiastically in the popular choruses arranged by the leader (Mr. Silver). The soloists were Miss B. Stevens and Mrs. Dyson, and the accompanist Mr. Rathbone. The "sings" will be held weekly.

4th September 1922 An interesting concert will be held in the Roseneath Schoolroom tomorrow evening, at 8 o'clock. An excellent programme has been arranged by Mr. Norman Aitken, who has been successful in securing some of Wellington's foremost artists, a special feature being a one-act play

19th December 1922 The annual breaking-up ceremony and presentation of prizes and certificates in connection with the Roseneath School was held on Thursday. Prior to the prize distribution, an excellent concert programme was presented by the pupils, and was greatly appreciated by the large audience of parents and friends.

Mr. Prendeville, chairman of the School Committee, referred to the success achieved by the pupils not only in school work, but also in the various athletic activities connected with the school. All the candidates who were presented had gained proficiency certificates; the cricket team had won the intermediate championship, and the tennis competitors had shown excellent form in the primary schools tournament.

Every child in the infant class received a suitable picture book.

Irene Pirie, the dux of the school, on behalf of the Standard VI. pupils, presented Mr. Stephens, the headmaster, with a pocket wallet as a mark of appreciation of his efforts on their behalf during the year. The following is the prize list: —

Proficiency Certificates. — William Adams, Warren Carpenter, Philip Darragh, John Dawson, Harry Denton, William Greenbank, William Harvie, Clive Highet, Sydney Jacobs, Egmont Organ, Maurice Stephens, Josephine Boncher, Vera Hawthorn, Winnie Naylor, Doris Organ, Irene Pirie, Nellie Scott, Esme Staff, Edith Thomas, John Tipling, and Frederick Williams. Standard VI.—Dux and gold medallist; girls, Irene Pirie, 1; Doris Organ, 2; Edith Thomas, 3; boys, Clive Highet, 1; John Tipling, 2; William Harvie, 3. Beat all round boy William Greenbank. Special prizes to boys promoted from Standard V. and gaining proficiency certificates: Bill Adams, Warren Carpenter, Harry Denton, Maurice Stephens, Fred Williams. Standard V.—Girls, Lorna Allen, 1; Phyllis Butten, 2; Joan Jones, 3; boys, Clifford Hollis, 1; Stanley Greenbank, 2; Nghairie Cattell, 3.

Standard IV.—Girls, Mary Prendeville, 1; Edith Boss, 2; Marie Tollan, 3; boys, John Rood, 1; David Lowe, 2; Pearse Fitzgerald, 3. Specials (progress prizes): Elsie Gove, Robert Dawson, Clifford Carpenter.

Standard III.—Girls, Betty Stephens, 1; Francis Hoy, 2; Francis Allen, 3; boys, Arthur Naylor, 1; Alfred Driscoll, 2; Ronald Nolan, 3. General excellence: Marjorie Murray.

Standard II.—Girls, Peggy Baker, 1; Brenda Clark, 2; Rita Clark, 3; Peggy Pegram, 4; 1 boys, Phillip Hollis, 1; Leo Nolan, 2; Maurice Ambrose, 3. General improvement: Kathleen Hill, Jack Pask. Miss McGowan's Special Prizes: Alice Sired, Daphne Staff.

Standard I.—Girls, Ruth Allen, 1; Kathleen Cornelius, 2; boys, Bruce Appleton, 1; Ian Appleton, 2; Billy Withy and Jim Pegram, 3.

Standard I. (Lower) —Grace Kyle, Stanley Moore, Marion Dyson, **Selwyn Toogood**, Teddy Mitchell. ‘

Primer 3,-Girls, Molly Bishop and Neawe Tibbs, equal, 1; Maureen Summerhayes, 3; boys, Bert Clarke and Ronald McDonald; equal, 1; Vance Summerhayes, 3.

19th December 1922 THE SCHOOL CONCERT. The concert arranged by the staff of the Roseneath school in aid of the prize and picnic fund took place in the schoolroom on Tuesday evening last. The building was packed with parents and friends. School songs were contributed by the infant classes, standards 1 and 2, and the senior pupils. Solos were sung by Frances and Lora Allen, Betty Stephens, Phyllis Batten, Rita Clark and Pearse Fitzgerald; recitations by Phyllis Batten, Kathleen Hall, Betty Stephens and Maggie Clark; pianoforte solos by Kathleen Hall and Josephine Burcher. Dance duo by Kathleen. Hall and Kathleen Crewdson; butterfly dance by Peggy Baker'; Dutch dance, Olive Sired and Doris Organ; Irish Jig, Peggy Baker, Rita Clark, Alice Sired, Joyce Downes, Daphne Staff and Kathleen Fitzgerald; gavotte, Peggy Baker and Rita Clark; classical dance, Joyce Downes, Rita Clark, Peggy Baker, Alice Sired, Kathleen Fitzgerald, Daphne Staff. 1 The whole programme was greatly appreciated, and Mr Prendeville, chairman of the school committee, thanked the staff for the work they had done. Special thanks were given to Miss Marris for the assistance she had given, five of the dance items being presented by her pupils, each with the greatest success.

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1920-1921 Hataitai

1921	230	Hataitai	Kean	Balfour	B	Head	£420.00
1921	230	Hataitai	Bird	Florence R	E	Infant Mistress	£280.00
1921	230	Hataitai	Kirk	Allan A	C	Assistant	£270.00
1921	230	Hataitai	Fouhy	Alice Mrs	C	Assistant	£260.00
1921	230	Hataitai	Francis	Doris A	C	Assistant	£220.00
1921	230	Hataitai	Warner	Lionel A		Probationer 1	£130.00
1921	230	Hataitai	Fisher	Marion N		PT2	£90.00

Balfour Kean was a pupil teacher at Taueru just East of Masterton from 1894 to 1900. 1901 to 1912 he was at Petone School. 1913 to around 1917 he was at Te Aro or one of the side schools there. 1921 he was at Hataitai and by 1923 he was Head master at Blenheim School which was part of the Wellington Education Board area.

24th March 1934 Tributes to Mr. B. Kean, headmaster of the Miramar South. School, who is retiring, were paid at a social gathering arranged by the "Wellington Headmasters' Association last evening. Representatives were present from the New Zealand, Educational Institute, the Assistant Masters' Association, the School Committees' Educational Federation, the Education Board, the inspectorate, and retired headmasters.

Allan A Kirk In 1913 A A Kirk was at Newtown as a pupil teacher. In 1915 he was back at Newtown as an assistant. 1917 he was at the Terrace School 1919 at Te Aro and 1921 and 1923 he was at Hataitai. In 1928 he went to the Wellington South School. Very heavily involved in Wellington School Sports Hockey and Soccer.

Mrs Alice Fouhy Alice Dougherty taught at Hukanui in 1901 and Pahiatua 1902 to 1905 then at Hamua between Pahiatua and Eketahuna in 1908 and 1909.

7th May 1910 Wedding at Hamua. . On Tuesday morning this week the marriage of Miss Alice Dougherty unit Mr. John Fouhy, both of Hukanui, took place in the Catholic Church at Hamua, the Very Rev. Dean McKenna conducting the service.

She then resumed teaching under her married name at Hamua 1912 to 1919 and by 1921 was at Hataitai until at least 1923. By 1933 Alice was teaching at Masterton

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Doris A Francis In 1913 at South Wellington and 1914 at Brooklyn as a pupil teacher. Then after attending training college was at The Terrace in 1917-1919 and Hataitai in 1921 and 1923

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Lionel A Warner only taught the one year as a probationer at Hataitai

Marion N Fisher only taught the one year as a pupil teacher at Hataitai

25th February 1920 A peculiar position in connection with the Hataitai School was disclosed by a report laid before the local Municipal Electors' Association last night by a sub-committee appointed to report' upon the school. The report stated that although there was adequate room to arrange for a fifth standard, owing to some clause in an obsolete Act of Parliament the Education Board was unable to arrange for children attending that standard to be taught at Hataitai School, and that fifty had been forced away to help swell the already 'over-' crowded schools in the surrounding districts. It was further pointed out that although the Education Department had been asked about the middle of last year to expedite the erection of an additional class-room, so that the school could be made a main school, no tender had been accepted so far. By way of reminder, the sub-committee reported that some three years ago the association had stressed the advisability of a further room being erected at. an expenditure, then, of about half of what it is estimated a new room would now cost. The matter is to be dealt with at a general meeting of residents on the eastern side of Mt. Victoria.

2nd March 1920 TENDERS for the erections of additions to HATAITAI SCHOOL will be received at the Education Board office up to Noon on Monday 8th March.

8th March 1920 Accommodation for fifty-two move children is about to be provided by the Education Department at the Hataitai School. It is understood that a start will be made with the work at an early date. The proposed addition also includes the erection of a "common room" for the teachers.

12th March 1920 School matters were briefly touched on at a meeting of Hataitai residents, and the following resolution was unanimously passed:—"That this meeting of Hataitai residents urge on the Education Department and Education Board the urgent necessity of adding additional, accommodation to the Hataitai School at the earliest possible moment so as to provide for standards five and six.

21st August 1920 A pleasant hour was spent by the inmates of the the Ohiro Home on Thursday afternoon,. when the teachers and several pupils of Hataitai School gave a concert. Those assisting were Miss Burnett, Iris Highet, Nancy Cushman, Eileen Searle, Laurie Searle, Keith Jefferies, and Master Carstons. Mr. Warner and Mrs. Searle accompanied for them. Fruit bought by the school children and the Hataitai branch of the W.N.R.. was

handed around, and was much appreciated by the old people, who gave cheers for the performers when the latter left.

3rd November 1920 Up till the present year the Hataitai School has been a side school, under the control of the headmaster of the- Roseneath School, Mr. B. Darroch, but owing to the rapid growth of the Hataitai district and school it has been found necessary to make the school a separate one under the control of its own headmaster. With the resignation of Mr. Darroch from the control of the two schools and the Education Board (to take up tutorial duties under the Government), the board has had to find two new headmasters. Three names were submitted to each of the school committees in the ordinary way, and the committees have made their choice. Mr. J. T. O. Stephens has been appointed headmaster of the Roseneath School. Mr. Stephens, who is at present first assistant at the Petone West School, has had eleven years' teaching experience, and has been in the employ of the Wellington Education Board since 1913. Mr. Balfour Kean, who has been appointed headmaster at Hataitai, is at present first assistant at the Willis Street School. He began his teaching career as a pupil teacher in 1891. Both headmasters are B certificate men.

4th November 1920 Mr Balfour Kean, who has been appointed headmaster of the Hataitai school, obtained his early education in Masterton.

15th December 1920 Miss Hobday, who has been on the staff of the Hataitai School for the past six years, has relinquished her position there, and before resuming duties elsewhere, intends visiting the Commonwealth. At the prize-giving ceremony last night, the children and parents, through Mr. Van Borssum, chairman of the school committee, made a presentation to their popular teacher of a pair of binoculars, and extended to her their regret at losing her, and their wishes for the future Miss Hobday's term at the school has been a particularly happy one.

16th December 1920 The annual concert and prize distribution at the Hataitai School took place on Tuesday. Mr. H. R. Van Borssum, chairman of the committee, presided. The school was packed. A very fine programme was contributed by the Children and heartily enjoyed by the large audience. Mr. Balfour Kean, the new headmaster, was present and was introduced by Mr. Darroch, who commented on the splendid work achieved in the school, and on the excellent teaching staff, Miss Bird, infant mistress, being specially mentioned. Miss. E. P. Hobday, who is to be transferred after six years' faithful service, was the recipient of a handsome hand-bag from the children and staff and was presented with a lovely bouquet by Miss Dolly Stott. Miss Hobday, who was received with prolonged applause, feelingly replied. The following is the prize list:-

Standard IV.—Highest marks for year, Bruce Furkert; English, Harry Bishop; highest marks for year, Marjorie Combs; arithmetic, Beatrice Ardell; reading, Vivienne Hunt.; progress, Margery Symonds.; neatness, Nancy Cashman; writing, Vera Tolan.

Standard III.—Reading, Neville Hislop; arithmetic, Percy Warren; progress, Gordon Bell; waiting, Eleanor Hunt; sewing, Margaret McKenzie; neatness, Kathleen Sims; progress, Nancy Beck; neatness in homework, Margaret Fountain.

Standard II. (Upper).—Spelling, William Lauchlan; reading, Thomas Watt; arithmetic, Norman Stott; progress, Denis Elliott; neatness, Gordon Johnson; Writing, Audrey Johnson.

Standard II. (Lower). —Spelling, Jean Watts; reading, Alan Donald; arithmetic, Marion Watson; progress, Maurice Moeller; neatness, Nellie Woodger; writing, Jean Flyger.

Standard I.—Spelling, Margaret Webb ; reading, Doris Musker; arithmetic, Florence Sims progress, Sally Percival; neatness, Cyril Gyles; writing, Gilbert Couper.

P. IV.—Joan Wallace, Mervyn Eglinton, Ian Watts. Every child in the Infant room received a book,

4th February 1921 The Wellington City War Trophies Committee has distributed trophies allotted to it as follows : —Machine-guns.—General Headquarters, Mount Cook, 2; Roseneath School,- 1 ; Hataitai School, 1

16th March 1921 Wellington Education Board: Hataitai first Assistant Mr A A Kirk

17th March 1921 Wellington Education Board In reference to a request from the Roseneath School Committee for additional accommodation, to be provided at Hataitai, Messrs. Clark and White were appointed to draw up a rough estimate of the cost, of the work, and report to the board.

11th April 1921 TO THE EDITOR. Sir, —In to-nights Post the boundaries of the Hataitai school district are advertised, amongst others, by the Wellington Education Board. Evans Bay on the east, Town Belt on the west, provide- the natural boundaries, and in the north, a somewhat unknown region, there appears to be nothing to cavil about. The south boundary, however, will surely raise quite a storm of protest from Hataitai. For all practical purposes this is a line drawn from Evans Bay, touching Kainui-road, thence via Huia-road to the Belt about Captain Munro's house, and when it is stated that the well-known Jacob's Store half-way up Waipapa-road, is in Kilbirnie district, the injustice to Hataitai is made evident. It may be asked: What does the boundary matter ? It is only an arbitrary line on a map at the board's office. Parents can send their children to any school they like. True, but the effect of this arbitrary line is made apparent just now: two gentlemen already nominated for the School Committee—one living in Hataitai-road, the other in Rata-road— now find themselves ineligible for election, as they live outside the boundary. Further, the whole of the district south of Jacob's Store, and including Matai, Rata, and Upper Rata roads, are disfranchised from voting at Hataitai, save in those cases where parents have children attending the school. The Hataitai School has a roll of 240 —accommodation for about 200, with "nothing doing" in the building line. Complaints of over, crowding of a surety will be met with the obvious reply: "Turn away; you are outside the boundary." When Kilbirnie properties are offered for sale, daily one hears of William-street, Hataitai; Overtoun-terrace, Hataitai; Hamilton-road, Hataitai; describing places south of Wai-toa-road. Yet for school district purposes we have the line shifted north half-way up the valley. That Hataitai people will protest against this I feel sure. The annual meeting for the election of the School Committee takes place on Monday next, when, no doubt, fitting resolutions will come before those present, and Hataitai is not wanting in public-spirited men to carry them out. The writer would gladly subscribes himself ~OOMMITTEEMAN. 9th April.

Another correspondent, G. J. J. Feil, also makes an emphatic protest against the Hataitai School District boundaries. The correspondent writes : —"We have at last, after much prayer and fasting, obtained the school to which we have been long entitled, but it cannot be considered a graceful act on the part of the Education Board that they now attempt to nullify the result by cutting our district in half. There is now but a bare week in which to remedy this blunder — for in charity one cannot describe the action in stronger terms—but if nothing further is done in the matter it behoves the residents of our district to attend the

meeting of householders on the 18th if for no other purpose than to pass a resolution condemnatory of "the Board's action.

12th April 1921 HATAITAI. Following are the nominations for the Hataitai School Committee :—T). Wilson, D. Ardell, A. H. Wheatley, O. H. Seville, I. L. Arcus, C. W. Bear, R. R. Crerar, Chas. Sims, F. D. Kean, A. Shepherd, A. G. Barnett, F. N. Nichols, E. A. Watson, H. R. Searle, J. J. Feil, A. N. Burt

15th April 1921 "The separation of the Hataitai School from the Roseneath School took place/ 1 states the report of the Hataitai Committee, "on the 31st December, 1920, and opened, as a full school on the 1st February, 1921, which event was very gratifying to the residents of this popular suburb. The school is fortunate in having had a very enthusiastic headmaster appointed in the person of Air. Balfour Kean. . . . Miss Bird, infant mistress is doing splendid work, although her department is sadly overcrowded.

"The school has advanced from Grade 4a at the beginning of the year, to 4c, and there is every prospect of Grade V. being -reached by the end of the year. The roll at the end of December, 1920, was 166, and at the opening on 1st February 218, with an average attendance of 193, and still further increased to 240 on 31st March.

A deputation waited on the Education Board and placed before it the overcrowding in the infants' departments, and as a result negotiations with the managers of the Methodist Church are being conducted with a view to the renting of their property for the overflow."

19th April 1921 HATAITAI. The first meeting of householders of the Hataitai district (previously served by a side school) was held at the schoolroom last night. Mr. C. W. Bear was elected chairman. The report stated that the Hataitai School opened as a head school on 1st February, 1921, under Mr. Balfour Kean. The school opened with an attendance of 218, and now has a roll of 260. A long discussion took place on the boundaries of the school district, and on the motion of Mr. J. L. Arcus, a resolution, was carried urging the Education Board to alter the boundaries so as to include Waitoa-road and to correspond with the property once owned by the Hataitai Land Co. It was also decided to ask members of the board to meet the committee and inspect the district.'

- Mr. D. Ardell insisted on the meeting electing nine committeemen in place of seven, as the school register of 250 pupils provides for this number.

The committee elected were:—Messrs. F. D. Kean, D. Ardell, H. R. Searle, J. L. Arcus, A. G. Barnett, R. R. Crerar, F. N. Nichols, C. Sims, and D. Wilson. Mr. D. Ardell was elected chairman and Mr. F. N. Nichols secretary

20th April 1921 Wellington Education Board The report of Messrs. Clark and White on the need for farther accommodation at the Hataitai School was adopted.

28th April 1921 A pleasant social gathering of teachers and pupils took place at Hataitai School to bid farewell to one of the staff, Miss Clifford, who was leaving to be married. Mr. Kean (headmaster), on behalf of those present, wished her all future happiness, and one of the pupils. Marjorie, Combs, presented her with two silver and .Dolton ware cake dishes and silver salad servers. Afternoon tea was then served, and the gathering dispersed with the, singing of "She's a Jolly Good Fellow" and hearty cheers.

26th May 1921 Two pleasant parties were given recently at Hataitai Schoolroom. One was in aid of the Tea and Coffee Urn Fund, when afternoon tea was served, and the (schoolroom arranged with carpets, easy chairs, and vases of flowers. Mesdames Ardel, Arcus, Barnett,

Bear, Crerar, Searle, Sims, Wilson, and West were hostesses, and about eighty ladies were present. Competitions were won by Mrs. Eastgate and Miss Bell. Mrs. Tolan won the Doulton salad bowl. Musical items were given by Mesdames, Fortune and Tolan, and the Misses Belworthy. The district is fortunate in having a number of helpers interested in the school. A children's party was held the next day, when 200 children, were entertained by the ladies' committee. Games, competitions, and dancing made the time pass quickly, and dainty home-made sweets and cakes were liberally supplied, and the committee made a great success of the big undertaking. Thanks are extended to all who contributed towards the function.

2nd November 1921 The last of the socials arranged by the Hataitai School Committee took the form of a 500 tournament and dance. The prizes went to Mesdames Baillie and Bear, Miss Gaudin and Mr. Gully. Mr. Ardell expressed the thanks of the committee to the ladies who had arranged the supper for the various evenings, and also ..to Mrs. Searle, who had provided the dance music for the season.

7th December 1921 HATAITAI DEPUTATION SCHOOL COMMITTEE WAITS ON EDUCATION MINISTER AN OVERCROWDED SCHOOL. The need for further accommodation, especially for infants, at the Hataitai school, was stressed by a deputation from the local school committee, which waited upon the Minister for Education last night. Dr. Newman, M.P., introduced the deputation, which was accompanied by Councillor T. Forsyth (chairman of the Education Board), and Mr G. L. Stewart (secretary).

Mr D. Ardell said that the school, previously used as a side-school, was first opened as a full school at the beginning of the present year. The number on the school roll was then 172, but it was now 268. Of the total increase of 96, no less than 80 had joined the infant class; and the infant room of 780 square feet had during the latter part of the year had to accommodate 110 infants. The headmaster's room, 100 feet square, had been used for 28 of the little ones; but even then the overcrowding was very bad. The population of Hataitai was rapidly increasing, and it was confidently anticipated that not less than 80 children would commence their schooling career during the first quarter, which would mean that over 120 children would be accommodated in a room which was originally built to accommodate 65 children, only. Hataitai was probably the young married man's suburb Wellington and had an infant population pro rata in excess of any other district in the city and suburbs. Mr J. L. Arcus said that there were just on 100 acres of vacant land in Hataitai, which, would take at least 400 houses in the next few years, greatly accentuating the dearth of school accommodation. THE MINISTER'S REPLY. "DOZENS OF SCHOOLS WORSE OFF." The Minister, in reply, said that the basis of calculation for space was the average attendance, which was 233 at Hataitai, as against a School roll of 268. The average attendance did not indicate any very great overcrowding. There were dozens of schools in New Zealand in a worse position than the Hataitai school, where the figures reported to him could not be considered a case of extreme urgency. It might be, however, that, as had been stated, the figures would increase pretty rapidly. Dr. Newman: It is a rapidly growing district.

If the financial position of the country remained as it was at present, said the Minister, he could not hold out a hope of doing anything. The Education Board had suggested an additional room, 26 feet by 24 feet, which the architect estimated would cost £1381. Dr. Newman: For one room? "IT MAKES ONE IMPATIENT." The Minister: Yes; that is all can

get—one room, 26 feet by 24 feet for £1381 . It makes 'one impatient. Before the 'war, I suppose we could have got it for about half the money My officers report that the proposal is one that might well be deferred. There are many many much more urgent in the Dominion to-day, which are not receiving, and cannot receive attention,' under the present financial conditions.

24th December 1921 Considerable interest was manifested in the breaking-up celebrations in connection with the Hataitai School, at which the attendance has shown such marked increase. The pupils were conveyed by steamer to Day's Bay, where the annual picnic was held, and it proved enjoyable and intensely successful. At the annual entertainment there was a large attendance, and a diversified programme was submitted. The headmaster (Mr B. Kean) and assistants were congratulated on the splendid progress the pupils had made during the year, and the general success attained

24th December 1921 The following secured certificates of proficiency : —Leo Bennett, Harry Bishop, Hallam Dowling, Allan Felton, Thomas Forrester, Oenone Baker, G-wen Cook, Phyllis Hall, Eileen Searle.

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1923	289	Hataitai	Grant	John B	C-32	Head	£405.00
1923	289	Hataitai	Kirk	Allan A	B-150	Assistant	£283.00
1923	289	Hataitai	Bird	Florence R	E-130	Infant Mistress	£273.00
1923	289	Hataitai	Fouhy	Alice Mrs	C-141	Assistant	£263.00
1923	289	Hataitai	Francis	Doris A	C-176	Assistant	£225.00
1923	289	Hataitai	Smith	Alice F	C-213	Assistant	£175.00
1923	289	Hataitai	Hislop	Thomas G		Probationer 1	£88.00
1923	289	Hataitai	Sykes	Wallace D		Probationer 2	£83.00
1923	289	Hataitai	Cooley	Mary E		PT2	£78.00
1923	289	Hataitai	Moynihan	Mary A		PT2	£78.00

John B Grant in 1921 was 1st Assistant at North East Valley School in Dunedin.

6th December 1923 Mr J. B. Grant, before leaving Dunedin to take charge of the Hataitai School, was presented by Mr Jonathan Rhodes (president of the North East Valley Bowling Club) .with, a gold-mounted fountain pen, suitably inscribed, as a mark of the general esteem in which he is held in bowling circles

29th April 1935 The death occurred on Saturday of Mr. John Buchanan Grant, ex headmaster of the Hataitai and Karori Schools, and a well known resident of Karori, where he took an active part in bowling and church affairs. The late Mr. Grant was -born at Tokomairiro, Otago, on October 8, 1872, and received his education at the Outram School, the Otago Boys' High School, and the Otago University. He began his career as a teacher at Outram, where he was engaged as a pupil teacher. From there he went to the Training College, and after securing his teaching certificate he taught at Tuapeka West and Waihola as sole teacher, at Kakanui as headmaster, and North East Valley (Dunedin) as assistant. He was then transferred to the Wellington district -as headmaster of the Hataitai School, taking up his duties there in December, 1923. At the beginning of the school year in 1927 he transferred to the Karori School, where he was headmaster until he retired in June, 1931.....

Alice F Smith was a probationer at Newtown in 1919 and was teaching at Hataitai in 1923 and was probably at training college in 1921

Thomas G Hislop ; Wallace D Sykes; Mary E Cooley; and Mary A Moynihan were only listed in 1923 as working for the Wellington Education Board at the end of my records

19th April 1922 Hataitai nominations for School Committee: Messrs D. Ardell, A. G. Barnett, H. C. Foster, F. D. Kean, F. N. Nichols, B. T. Osborne, H. J. Raines, H. R. Searle, C. Sims., A. W. Thompson, F. Turner, D. Wilson. Nine only wanted.

22nd April 1922 The first annual report of the Hataitai school committee states that the inspectors report indicated that a high standard of efficiency had been maintained throughout the school during the year, reflecting great credit on the headmaster and his assistants. The increase in the roll number had brought up the ever-green question of sufficient accommodation. Negotiations had taken place with the board and with the Minister for Education, but so far no tangible result had been obtained. It was gratifying, however, to report that the Education. Board was pressing for a decision. The policy of the committee, which it was confidently anticipated would meet with the approval of the Education Board, was for the erection of a separate on the south-east, corner of the grounds, and the only obstacle would appear to be that of finance. No doubt the incoming committee would give the matter its earnest consideration. The school boundary remained the same as existed twelve months ago. Although no recent communication had been received from the board on the matter, it was understood that the new school at Miramar South would not relieve the pressure at Kilbirnie, and so reflect on Hataitai school. The space immediately surrounding the school was in a satisfactory condition but was far too small to accommodate the whole of the pupils, and the question of extending the playing grounds was one of the first to receive the consideration of the committee. The board agreed to allow, one of its experts to draw up a comprehensive plan showing the best method of utilising the whole of the grounds, and the plan submitted had been adopted by the committee. The contour of the land necessitated. The playing areas on various levels and altogether it was hoped to provide four self-contained-areas. The sections of land facing Hataitai road were thickly covered with gorse, etc., and it was decided to immediately arrange for the finance necessary to excavate and fill in the lower portion of these sections to provide an area of about 120 feet square. The members of the Tennis Club entered into the proposal with enthusiasm and contributed the sum of £65, while a further sum of £35 was collected as a result of a personal canvass "by members of the committee. This sum, in accordance with the Education Act, had been subsidised by the Government on a £1 to £1 basis. In view, however, of the configuration of the ground, the committee was of the opinion that the board should also subsidise voluntary contributions, and the board willingly met the committee in the matter by voting a sum of £100 for the financial year just ended. The levelling of this area will cost £250 and carrying out of the whole of the scheme as laid down by the board's expert was estimated to cost approximately £1000. It was not proposed that the whole of the work would be tackled during the forthcoming year, but the committee desired that the householders would discuss the question of raising a sum .of about £200 during the ensuing year, which, with the subsidy available would enable much progress to be made in the flaying area. In addition to the work of improving the lower play-ground, the top playground had been tarred and sanded and kept in a thorough state of repair. . A marked improvement had taken place in the method of

cleaning the school, and the school was now as clean as any in the Wellington district. To enable the committee to provide sufficient firewood for heating purposes, a shed had been erected on the south side of the boys' shelter shed. It was also used in connection with school social functions, thereby relieving the passages, and allowing further space in the main classrooms. The relationship of the committee with the staff had been most amicable. Residents were to be congratulated on the ability and diligence exhibited on the whole of the staff, under the able leadership of Mr Kean. The funds received from the Education Board for the purpose of carrying out the ordinary work of the school amounted to £92 12s 10d, whereas the payment necessary to keep the school in a proper condition amounted to £171 19s 2d. The difference has been found by the residents of the district. Of the £17 19s 2d expended during the year, some £20 3s 9d was a debt taken over by the committee and over which they had no control whatsoever. The money raised by residents, and subsidies received from the Education Board amounted to £391 1s 10d. The total funds administered for the year amounted to £183 14s 8d. The accounts had been audited by the board's officers and were certified to be correct. The report of Dr Ada Paterson on the 'health and physique of the children had been of a most Satisfactory nature, and she placed on record its appreciation of the value of the work done by the medical officer. The periodical visits of this lady were of incalculable benefit—defects being discovered in their early stages and helpful suggestions being given to remedy them. The care bestowed on the children to-day would be amply repaid by healthier and happier citizens in the future. A special class of children chosen by the doctor were given daily drill suitable for benefiting round shoulders, spinal curvature, etc. The headmaster states in his annual report that the most serious drawback during the year has been the lack of sufficient accommodation. The one room added in 1920 would not cope with the increased attendance. The work of the children was rendered most difficult and discouraging, and the general standard of the school work was lowered. Mr Kean also refers to the unstinted assistance of the staff wherever the children have been concerned and expresses appreciation of the work of the school committee.

22nd April 1922 An attempt at self-government has been made this year at the Hataitai school. The members of the senate are elected for the year by the pupils themselves, two representatives being sent from each class from Standard III. upwards. To these are added one child elected by the teachers and a president and secretary appointed by the headmaster. The senate has the control of playground discipline and is invited to make any suggestions which it considers may be for the benefit of the school. It has not arrived at a state of perfection yet, but the headmaster (Mr B. Kean) hopes for good results from it in the future.

An illustration of the effects of irregular school attendance is given by the headmaster of the Hataitai School (Mr B. Kean) in his annual report to the householders. The attendance of most of the children, he states, has left nothing to be desired, but as the staffing of the school is based on the average attendance and not on the roll, irregular attendance is a menace to the efficiency of the school. For the first quarter of this year an average of 260 was required to provide an extra pupil teacher. The school, managed to average 261. Had but one more child been away all the quarter the extra teacher would not have been obtained, and the school would have suffered accordingly. Pupils who attended irregularly were a drag on the class

and also jeopardised the chance not only of obtaining an extra teacher, but also of keeping even the number the school already had.

26th April 1902 Between sixty and seventy householders were present at the meeting held at Hataitai. . Mr. D. Ardell presided. An informal discussion took place as to the steps to be taken to raise funds for the purpose of extending, the playgrounds.' Among- the suggestions put forth were a queen carnival and a baby carnival. Eventually the matter was left to the new committee. The following committee was elected for the ensuing year:— Messrs. D. Ardell, A. G. Barnett, H. C. Foster, F. D. Kean, F. N. Nichols', H. R. Searle, C. Simms, F. Turner, and D. Wilson. At a meeting of the new committee hold subsequently, Mr. Ardell was re-elected chairman. The election of secretary was held over till the next meeting.

26th April 1922 That community singing has taken firm hold in Wellington was demonstrated at the householders' meeting at Hataitai on Monday evening. During the interval while the scrutineers were counting the ballot papers, Mr. E. A. Batt suggested a "sing," and the idea was taken up enthusiastically. Mr. H. C. Foster was appointed song leader, and a happy hour was spent. "Just a little hint to the scrutineers," said Mr. Foster — and those present lustily sang "Home, Sweet Home."

21st September 1922 The Minister promised to consider the providing of half the cost of the new room at Hataitai, the board to contribute of "The Hataitaiian," the official organ of the Hataitai School has just made its initial appearance, and in a dignified editorial, (expressing buoyant hopes for the future, an appeal is made for assistance in founding a school museum. A showcase is also wanted in which to place exhibits. A couple of interesting chapters are devoted to the juniors, with special contributions for the intermediate and Senior divisions. Old pupils, the Senate, - and various sports are interestingly provided for, and photos of hockey and football teams, girls' basketball team, and the school make the first issue of the magazines a very creditable effort.

12th October 1922 The Education Board's announcement that the schools will close on the 21st December for the Christmas vacation was the subject of a remit from Hataitai to the monthly meeting of the School Committees' Association. The opinion was expressed during this discussion that so late a date would pile the school holiday traffic on top: of the "Christmas rush by boat, train, and tramcar. It was unanimously decided to recommend .that the board should fix an earlier date for closing, -with a further suggestion that if possible Schools and colleges should close for the vacation at the same time

30th November 1922 When Hataitai School sports are held it is the intention-to have the distances properly measured and timed for. the purpose of establishing' school records. Silver medals will be presented. to the boy and girl athletic champions and: the :boy and girl 'swimming champions, the- medals having: been donated by a committeeman.

7th December 1922 1 The Hataitai School held its annual picnic at Day's Bay on Thursday last, about 350 children and parents attending. A good sports programme was carried out. The results being:—

GIRLS. Champion—N. Cooper; 8yrs—N. Williams 1. J. Watson 2; 9yrs—J. Wallace 1, M. McLean 2; 10yrs—M. Watson 1, H. Gotlib 2; 11yrs—E. Hunt 1, J. Hight 2; 12yrs—V. Hunt 1. C. Wilcox 2; 13yrs —E. Kennedy 1, G. Tolley 2; 14 and over —N. Cooper 1, D. Searle 2. Skipping.—8yrs—N. Williams 1 1, P. Tanner; 9 and 10—M. Watson 1, J. Wallace 2; 11 and 12—V. Hunt 1, E. Hunt 2 13 and over—N. Cooper 1. E. Searle 2. Three-legged.—8yrs—N.

Williams and if. Watson ; 9 and 10—H. Gotlib and D. Tanner; 11 and 12 —E. Hunt and ,T. Combs; 13 and over—B. Searle and P. Hall. Junior relay—M. Watson, E. Hunt, I. Highet, V. Hunt. Senior relay—J. Doile, P. Hall, B. Searle, N. Cooper. Throwing cricket ball—P. Hall 1. N. Cooper 2.

BOYS. Champion.—Felton; 8yrs—B. McCawe, H. Cathie; 9yrs—Cox, Burt; 10yrs—A. Donald. Cooper; 11yrs—Hislop , Elliott; 12yrs—Johansen. Esson; 13 and over— Felton, Alexander. Sack race - Raines, Tolley. Junior relay—Johansen, Hislop, Esson, Searle. Throwing cricket ball Alexander, Lauchlan. Long jump .—12 and under —Hislop 1; Donald 2,13 ft 11 inches; 13 and over—Felton 1, Alexander 2.14 ft. High jump.—12 and under 6 — Hislop 1, Lauchlan 2,4 ft 11in; 13 and over—Felton 1. Alexander 2,4 ft 5in. Hop, step, and jump.—12 and under— Hislop 1, Elliott 2,29 ft; 13 and over Felton 1, Alexander 2/ 30ft 4 1/2 in. Hurdles.—Felton 1, Hislop 2

19th December 1922 The Hataitai School Hall was packed to overflowing on Thursday evening when the scholars presented their annual “breaking-up” concert. The programme was unique from the fact that anything in the shape of solo efforts was entirely absent. All items were concerted numbers, the presentation of which embraced over one hundred and fifty pupils. The singing of the school choir, under the baton of Mr B. Kean, was a feature of the evening’s entertainment, while a dialogue entitled “The Doctor’s Advice” (by the popular “Bubbles” and Nancy Williams) a character song, “Virginia,” introduced by Valerie Shand and party, an action song and dance (“Rendezvous”), and a burlesque character song (“When the Band Begins to Play”), the soloist being Mavis Marshal], in which the drum-major and the trombonist- provoked uproarious mirth on the part of the audience, were some of the more outstanding numbers. At the conclusion, Mr Searle (chairman of the school committee) presented the proficiency certificates and school trophies, and at the same time accorded a very hearty vote of thanks to the members of the teaching staff for their untiring efforts in order to make the entertainment such a success. The headmaster replied briefly on behalf of the teachers. The proficiency list is as under: Beatrice Ardell, Jean Bennett, Marjorie Combs, Esle Kennedy, Vivienne Hunt, Margaret McKenzie, Edna Moul, Edna Ward, Richard Alexander, Matthew Cable, Keith Eason, Bruce Furkert, Fred Johansen, Ralph Kean; endorsed competency, Eleanor Cooper; competency, Madge Raines; dux, Elsie Kennedy (gold medal presented by Mr Shepherd). Athletic medallists—Girls, Nellie Cooper; boys, Alan Felton (presented by Mr Dug. Kean).

25th January 1923 M W Fisher Pupil Teacher resigns from Hataitai

26th April 1923 ACCOMMODATION WANTED. IMPROVED SANITARY CONDITIONS NECESSARY. Some stress is laid on the need for improved sanitary accommodation at Hataitai State School, and, further, on the necessity for still more room in which to carry on the educational work, in spite of the fact that one new room has been made available during the past year, in the annual report of the School Committee.

The report states that as a result of the . increased roll number, the school has been placed in a higher grade but the additions which have been made are insufficient to meet the requirements, for, the whole accommodation to-day is for 264, while the average attendance is 287. It is hoped the incoming committee will press forward this matter, and also for further sanitary provision, which is also an urgent question. Something has been done to improve the grounds, but a fairly large expenditure is required before they can be, regarded! as playing

areas. A portion of the retaining wall 'has been erected, and this work is proceeding, thanks to the financial support received in various ways during the year. The scholars have made continued progress under the efficient tuition of the headmaster (Mr B. Kean) and staff, the inspector's report on this point being very satisfactory. The general health of the children has been satisfactory, and Dr Ada Patterson, after medically examining them, was unable to nominate any scholar for inclusion in the the special drill class which the department usually forma to rectify slight physical defects. Messrs A. Shephard and D. Kean had presented a gold dux medal and two silver sports medals. The headmaster's report says:—"It is interesting to note that the only, increase in teaching staff since the average was 201—just two years ago—has been, one pupil teacher." Out of thirty schools competing, Hataitai School won the championship at the public schools' amateur athletic meeting in December. An Old Students' Association has been formed to enable the school to keep in touch with its old scholars. Special thanks are accorded to the ladies who have, by the bazaar and other functions, raised, a considerable sum with which to supplement the work that has been, and is being, done in the school.

26th April 1923 THE LESSONS OF THE DAY. There was a large gathering at the Hataitai School, where the children were assembled in the morning by Mr Kirk headmaster and Staff, and addressed by Mr Searle, the chairman of the School Committee. Mr Searle directed the attention of the children to the meaning and the importance of the day. He told them what the soldiers had done for them, and how the children ought never to forget the great service that had been rendered them by the Soldiers who had fought and died In the war. The assemblage sang "Oh God, Our Help in Ages Past," the Last Post was Bounded, and the proceedings were concluded . with the singing of the National Anthem. Afterwards twelve of the girl scholars brought wreaths to the city and placed them on the cenotaph.

1st May 1923 A champion of give-and-take in regard to the proposed alteration of the school district boundary between the Hataitai and Kilbirnie schools appeared at the Kilbirnie householders' meeting last night. Previous speakers had quoted a prominent Hataitai resident as saying that there was an area of a couple of hundred acres of land still to be settled in the Hataitai district, and this would provide an ample school attendance without encroaching on Kilbirnie territory. The advocate of reciprocity declared that the school boundary was so near the-, back fence of the Hataitai school that standing on the frontier one could throw a biscuit into the school playground. There was immediately a chorus of dissent. "You take the biscuit," said one voice,, and another suggested that the only biscuit one could throw would be "cabin bread," and "you would want a strong arm at that," he added, amid laughter.

1st May 1923 ATTENDANCE RAPIDLY INCREASING. There were about fifty householders present at the Hataitai schoolroom last night, when Mr H. R. Leslie presided. In moving the adoption of the annual report and the chairman said that even with the extra accommodation the school would be as badly overcrowded as ever in twelve months, and yet the department regarded this as a normal condition of affairs in primary schools and were not visibly perturbed. Apparently they failed to realise that the primary schools were the foundation of our educational system. The committee were greatly indebted to the parents for the financial support they had given the school during the past year. It was decided to support the remits from the School Committees' Association, and to ask that the district boundaries be altered, under the present system many householders were defranchised. The meeting

unanimously agreed that the south boundary should be a line drawn from the tunnel along Waitoa road to Evans Bay. The following committee were elected for the ensuing year Messrs H. R. Searle (chairman). A. B. Croker (secretary), L. .T. Brabin (treasurer), A. G. Burnett, A. Cook, AM. Gandar, S. D. Kean, A. J. Murrell, F. Turnor, and W. T. Young

4th May 1923 Basketball [Now known as Netball. Basketball was played with 9 players who each stayed in their own third of the court] Hataitai School, referee, Miss Barratt. 2 p.m., Hataitai B v. Technical College. 2.20 p.m., Hataitai At. Y.W.C.A.

21st May 1923 Commenting upon the state of congestion at Hataitai School, the annual report of the Hataitai Municipal Electors' Association states that even with the extra room, which has been added the scholars have less than the prescribed floor space for each child. "This, and the present absurd school district boundaries, affect each resident," says the report, "and the authorities should be urged to alter the existing state of affairs as speedily as possible."

16th June 1923 The Hataitai School hockey team were the guests of Dalefield School team two weeks ago, The boys left for the Wairarapa on Saturday morning, and during their stay in that district were royally entertained by their hosts. The main features of the trip were a motor ride to Masterton and through the surrounding country on the Sunday afternoon, and a match between the two teams on the Monday. Unfortunately the match had to be played in the pouring rain, which rather marred what might have been an excellent exhibition of boys' hockey. The issue of the game was in Hataitai's favour, the score being 1-0. Mr. A. Kirk, who accompanied the boys on the trip, spoke in glowing terms of the hospitality extended by the Wairarapa friends, and expresses the hope that a return match will, be able to be played in Wellington later in the season.

29th June 1923 Those who are interested in school boys' hockey will have the opportunity of watching what promises to be a first class exhibition of the game to-morrow, when a match between Dalefield (Wairarapa) and Hataitai will be played as a curtain-raiser to the Wairarapa-Wellington game. Dalefield is the leading school team in the Wairarapa, and Hataitai is well up in the local schools' competition, so that a very even game is anticipated. The personnel-of the teams is as follows :—Dalefield: E. Smith, S. Gallon, E. Sayers, M. Knowles, S. Meyrick, R. Prentice, O. Bragendale, V. Bragendale M. Tirehurst, L. Hooper, H. Hooper. Hataitai: Tolley, Johansen, Beck, C. Donald, Chambers, Bell, Hislop, Rains, Esson, Searle, A. Donald. The Dalefield boys will arrive this evening and will be the guests of their 'Hataitai friends during the week-end. They will be taken round in the observation car to-morrow morning and will be entertained in the evening. Mr. Russell, the local headmaster, will accompany the team as manager. [Dalefield won the game 2-1]

19th July School inspector reports on absentees because of sickness Hataitai Roll 312 absentees 62. Kilbirnie 445- 80 Roseneath 173-37

16th August 1923 Grants of £150 and £205 were approved for conveniences [Toilets] at Brooklyn and Hataitai.,

1st October 1923 Considerable interest was aroused in the suburb of Hataitai, when it was announced, two weeks ago, that the pupils of the local school had challenged the school committee, consisting in the main of their paternal relatives, to a game of hockey, and, in consequence, quite a few residents of the district journeyed to Aaron on Saturday to witness the struggle. The boys, averaging about twelve years of age, both literally and lively ran

rings" around their matured opponents, and to see a tiny forward weighing probably about six stone,[38.1 Kilograms] attacking with impunity, a grown man over twice his weight, reminded one of David and Goliath, in more ways than one. The score was 4-all at the end of the game but the "school" protested vigorously that some decision must be reached, and then-very., fatigued' opponents were obliged ,after 'much argument to take the field for a further ten minutes. The boys during this period, scored the goal which turned the tide in their favour, and the game ended 5-4 For the committee, scores were secured by Messrs. Young, Barnett , B. Kean, and D Kean .While Esson found the net for the School on .three occasions, and Raines and Searle each scored one goal. Mr. Edwards was referee.

4th October 1923 Appointment: Blenheim head teacher, Mr. B. Kean (Hataitai);

15th October 1923 A large number of the parents and residents of Hataitai assembled at the Hataitai school on Saturday night to farewell the headmaster, Mr B. Kean, who is transferring shortly on promotion to the Blenheim school. In bidding the guest of the evening au revoir, Mr H. R. Searle, chairman of the school committee, referred to the excellent service the school and district had derived from Mr Kean's organising abilities, which were responsible for the splendid progress achieved during his three years' regime. He had gained the love and respect of the children, the goodwill of the parents, and the admiration of the school committee for the manner in which the boys' and girls' mental, physical, and moral welfare had been cultivated, and therefore all concerned were profoundly sorry that the happy association was being interrupted. It was a pity that a teacher who had made good in a school had to remove elsewhere to secure promotion, and the present grading system needed alteration in that respect, he congratulated Mr Kean on his well-merited promotion to the Blenheim school, which he was assured would benefit by the transfer, and on behalf of his colleagues presented the headmaster with a framed photo of the school committee, coupled with their sincere good wishes for Mr and Mrs Kean's future prosperity. Mrs D. Ardell enumerated the practical benefits the school children had derived from Mr Kean's methods, and suitably expressed the universal regret that the school would no longer command his services. As a slight token of appreciation and goodwill from the parents and residents of the -district she presented him with a cheque, and at the same time wished him and his wife unbounded success in their new sphere.

On behalf of the teaching staff and children, Mr A. Kirk mentioned the cordial relations which had always existed between them and the headmaster. The conditions had been ideal, and as a result the morale of the school was excellent and the general tone was high. The teaching staff sincerely regretted the break, and he was sure the children were similarly placed. In reply, Mr Kean, thanked the speakers and the parents and residents for their good wishes. Personally, he was sorry that his connection with the Hataitai school would be terminating shortly, but it was necessary to accept promotion when offered. It was pleasant to know that his methods had been appreciated, but the teaching staff had in no small degree contributed to the general result: and he thanked them for their valued co-operation. Hataitai had been his first headmastership, and he would always retain very pleasant memories of the goodwill and friendship which had resulted from his association with the school and district.

Cards and dancing were indulged in, whilst a programme of songs by Mrs J. Woodward and Mr Howard Foster and recitations by Miss Mary Cooley contributed in no small degree to the success of the evening's entertainment.

20th December 1923 The annual concert of the Hataitai School was concluded last night before a crowded audience. It had a two nights season, and the programme was heartily appreciated. The school has had a successful year. Mr. J. B. Grant, the new headmaster, was welcomed by Mr. R. H. Searle, chairman of the School Committee, and made a neat little speech in reply. Among those contributing were the Misses J. Wright, E. Hunt, J. Paterson, J. Watson, V. Shand, and P. Tanner, Master Lawrence Searle, Hislop, Johansen, and class members in sketches, ballets, stories without words, action songs, etc. Mr. Kirk presided at the piano.

21st December 1923 The annual concert and presentation of prizes and certificates in connection with the Hataitai School took place on Wednesday evening. The chairman of the school committee, Mr. Searle, on behalf of the committee, teachers, and parents, formally welcomed the new headmaster, Mr. J. B. Grant, of North-East Valley, Dunedin, and extended to him the best wishes for his stay in the district. An excellent musical programme was given by the school children, under the direction of Mr. A. A. Kirk. At the close of the performance, Mr. Searle presented the prizes to the successful pupils, and congratulated the teachers and pupils on the high standard of efficiency attained both scholastically and in the realm of sport. The prize list is as follows:—Dux of school and winner of the gold medal presented by Miss Bird, Iris Mason; champion girl swimmer, Claris Wilcox; champion boy swimmer, Neville Hislop; proficiency certificates, D. Chambers D. Elliott, K. Esson, N. Hislop, F. Johannsen, R. Kean, W. Lauchlan, L. Searle, P. Warren, R. Patrick, Nancy Cashman, Joan Combs, Eleanor Cooper, Myrle Fletcher, Margaret Fountain, Marion Gray, Iris Highet, Eleanor Hunt, Margaret McKenzie, Iris Mason, Phyllis Quinlan, Kathleen Sims, Jean Wellwood, Jean Watts, Elsie Whiter. Endorsed competency, Jean Doile, May France; competency, J. Tolley, Ena Fergusson, Audrey Johnson