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Proceedings of the Municipal Council, Bezvada.

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PRESENT

VI (a) Read memo dated 25.11.95 from T. V. Narasayya Pantulu garu proposing to establish a first form of the Lower Secondary department in the Municipal Salary Results school, Bezwada. (b) Read letter dated 6.12.95 from Revd. Lemontaine B.A. Head master, C.M.S. Highschool Bezwada, on the same subject. (C) Read memo dated 14.12.95 from K. V. Seshacharyulu garu protesting against the establishment of the above. (d) Read memo dated 16.12.95 from T. V. Narasayya Pantulu garu on the same subject.	The subject is hotly discussed and the Council has arrived to a conclusion that the establishment of the first form is unnecessary. Eleven councillors are present. Three against eight are for establishing the first form.

/Sd/ S. Lingayya
Chairman

/ True copy /

Correspondence to the Govt. for their decision noting how many and who are for and against the proposition

Bezwada
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see whether there will not be sufficient material
for it" If there will be not, as is contended
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A minute recorded by the undersigned Councillor with regard to the opening of a first form in the Town Municipal School.

I have read the letter of Rev D. Anantam raising objections to open a first form in the town Municipal School.

It is a matter of much regret and surprise that the Authorities of the local Mission Institution always show such opposition to the opening of Municipal schools, fearing competition & unhealthy rivalry they call it—. More or less the same kind of objections mentioned in Rev D. Anantam's letter were raised directly or indirectly in days gone-by to open municipal primary schools also. I read in one of the Chairman's reports to Govt. that the opening of a municipal primary school in the town would only detract pupils from Mission Institution and that there was no sufficient material for ~~themselves~~ the schools. At last, however, wiser counsels prevailed and primary schools were opened. Can Rev D. Anantam seriously contend that there is any unhealthy rivalry now between the municipal primary schools and those of the Mission body? Or can he say that his primary Dept. has suffered in number to any extent since the establishment of the Municipal Schools? Now fortunately

all objections for starting primary schools have disappeared. Now these objections are raised in the way of starting Lower Secondary Schools only. In the neighbouring Sister Municipality of Ellore, there is one Hindu School, one Municipal Schools and one Mission School, in all of which Lower Secondary education is given. There I did not hear any talk of unhealthy rivalry. In Masulipatam and Guntur also Lower Secondary education is given in different schools. There also the cry of unhealthy rivalry is not raised. It is said that there are no municipal schools in Masulipatam and Guntur in which Lower Secondary education is taught. It must not be conveniently forgotten that there other Lower Secondary schools, besides mission schools, in those places also. The question is whether there are not rival schools in those places. It matters very little whether they are municipal schools or other Hindu schools. The Guntur municipality has ever maintained a High school for some time and has lately handed it over to a body of private gentlemen who offered themselves to maintain it. As there is no other Lower Secondary School in this locality except the mission school, a municipal school is proposed. By opening a rival school subject to the conditions already proposed in my previous remarks on a reference
made

made to me on the subject, we only create a healthy rivalry which will stimulate the teachers of ~~the other~~ both schools to take more interest in educating the Children of their respective ~~representative~~ schools and in producing better results.

Rev. D. Anantam thinks that the fees of the Primary Dept. will have to be raised if a first form be opened. I would have bowed to the opinion of the Rev. gentleman as an expert on educational matters had it not been for the educational rules now lying before me. Clause (d) of the fees notification empowers the controlling authority to levy the fees according to its own discretion in Vernacular schools. Subsection (2) of section I of the Educational rules defines a vernacular school to be one wherein English is not a regular i.e. a compulsory portion of the curriculum in standards above the second. The curriculum prescribed by educational rules does not show that English is such up to fourth form and I do not wish to propose to make it a compulsory subject in the third form. It may be taught as an optional subject. Hence in my humble opinion the fees of the Primary Dept. need not be raised.

In the administration review of this municipality for 1894-95 the Govt. remarked "It is however a matter for regret that a large percentage of the allotment for grants was again allowed to lapse, and that the number of boys under instruction in the municipal and aided schools

schools – 36.7 per cent of the male population of school going age – continued to be below the average for all municipalities (54.2) in 1893-94." What has become of the remaining material? leave that be that that the whole material is one that requires primary education alone? What are statistics to arrive at that conclusion? I will only say "open a first form and see whether there will not be sufficient material for it" If there will be not, as is contended on the other side, it may be abolished next year. By taking this step, the Municipality need not incur any great expenditure. Only Rs 300 are required for a teacher at Rs 25 a month. The Council may rest assured that a great portion of this if not the whole, will be recouped by the school fees of the boys. It is also said that the mission institution is not unpopular on account of religious education and as a proof of this it is stated that the number of boys attending these institutions in Bezwada are about a half of the number of those under instruction. The only institution in Bezwada in which Lower Secondary as well as Upper Secondary education is taught is mission institution. Where the people have no other go, some of them at least, if not all, must send their children to that Institution whether popular or unpopular. In deciding which of the schools is more popular and produces better results, the mission High School must be left out of consideration as it has no

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14-12-95
Bezwada.

K. V. Seshachar
M. Councillor

if they are to [illegible]sed as such" Therefore it is clear that by making the proposed School a Vernacular School our boys will have to take Telugu as the first language in the Lower Secondary Examination, and answer all the non-language subjects in the vernacular; in which case I need not say that our School will be a total failure. In addition to this, the ~~R~~stability of the present Primary School will also be seriously endangered.

(b). In the same para my friend suggests that there need be no unhealthy rivalry but healthy competition between the two Schools; which would be the case if there were ample scope for two flourishing Schools in the town. But the scope being so very limited for two Lower Secondary Schools there must necessarily be unhealthy rivalry in every sense of the word; and that a public body like the Municipality should set up a rival school of this kind cannot be to its credit.

I have thus tried to shew that (1) there is no necessity whatever for another Lower Secondary School; (2) there is no material for it; (3) there are no funds available to maintain it; and (4) there will be unhealthy rivalry; And I am, therefore bound to say that the Educational authorities have made a mistake in thinking that the requirements of the town need a Lower Secondary school to be started by the Municipal Council.

It is only a few months since this question [illegible]

Physical [illegible]ucation, I need not say that the suggestion cannot be accepted

(3). Lastly as to the effects that the propos measure if adopted may be calculated to produce.

(a) The foremost difficulty has been anti-pated by my friend in his para III, nam the necessity - that in accordance with th Government Fee Notification, the ~~[illegible]~~ scale of fees in the primary department will have to be considerably enhanced, as soon as the first form of the Lower Secondary school is started; and he seeks to obviate the difficulty by converting the present English Primary School into a Vernacu Lower Secondary school, so as to be at liberty to levy a lower scale of fees. It would be no extraordinary feat of interpretation of Educational rules on my part to say that it would at once be entirely disallowed, as a mere reference to the Report of Education in the Krishna District in 1894 will prove. The assistan Inspector in his report (p. 12) writes thus:- "M.R.Ry. Pranatharthihara Ayyar Avergal my predecessor, recommended that among these nine the Board Lower Secondary school at Vinukonda might be worked out as Vernacular Lower Secondary Schools as the pupils reading in them are too poor to pay the standard rates of fees. But the Vernacular Lower Secondary Schools are not allowed to bring up English as an optiona language in the [illegible] examinati

It may be urged, although my friend has not said it, that the proposed school can be maintained without any extra cost to the Municipality. There is no guarantee that it will be so, though the probabilities are the other way. Even supposing that out of the 20 boys in the Municipal Primary class some 15 succeed in passing the next primary Examination, the probabilities are that not more than 10 will take up Lower Secondary ~~Examination~~ Education, in accordance with the experience of this year elsewhere reffered to. Allowing the falling off to be made up by boys from outside villages, we start with 15 in the first form. By the time the Lower Secondary Department is fully developed in two years more, commencing with this material, it is obvious that the School will not be self-supporting, but will become a heavy drain on Public funds, not to speak of the initial expense and difficulty of providing the proposed School with a suitable building and other necessary equipments.

My friend in Para VII proposes to divert the money allowed for Gymnastics, apparatus to support the proposed School. Seeing the pointed out that [illegible]erent forms in the mission school have room for larger numbers, and so what the low percentage of school-going population here really argues is, that there is a great deal more to be done in developing Primary schools, so as to supply fresh material for Lower Secondary Education; and not as my friend alleges that there is ready material waiting for the Municipality to open another Lower Secondary School.

(2) Next as to the ways and means. My friend in para VI claims 15 P.C of the total receipts for education. Of course this is the maximum point to be reached after the Primary Education has been successfully developed; but the average for the Presidency is only 13.7 per cent. Already about 12 P.C is being disturbed for education; and with the proposals before the council to extend Primary Education in the form of night schools &c. the percentage will rise to about 13.7 or 14 P.C which is the proportion used by such long-standing and prosperous Municipalities as Bandar & Guntoor and thoroughly approved of by the Director. Sanitation is in crying need of improvement and drainage requires immediate attention and every available pie should be utilized in that direction. The absence of any necessity for a Lower Secondary school has already been pointed out and it would be illegal ~~to spread~~ to spend any funds for an unnecessary object, — even the smallest sum out of public funds.

(vide p 53 Appendix 14, 1st December, 1894 Nos 1847, 1848 on Local & Municipal. General Review by the Govt. of Municipalities 1893-4.)

(vide Letter No 218, p 3. Revised Estimate of Bezwada Municipality —)

school, where the Bible is taught. According to the last published Administration Report on Education we find that only 3.1 P.C of the total population are attending Schools which would give about 640 scholars for the whole town (both boys and girls) Of these let us deduct the 134 reading in the C.M.S. High School and about 110 are girls reading in mission girls schools; this leaves us about 400 boys in all the Primary schools in the town. Of these we find about 150 attending the two mission Primary Schools. (in all about 400 attend Mission Schools) though there are a good number of Municipal and other Primary schools, where the Bible is not taught. Does this show that the parents have very great objections to send their children at a tender age to mission Schools? Much less fear can there be for their going to the Mission Lower Secondary School when the children have grown a little older. With reference to Para V I have already

vide p. 7 of Director's Proceedings on Report on Education in Kistna District.

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number of aided schools to meet the demands of Primary education here. But any way there is a vast field open to any agency, Municipal, Mission or any other, to put forth further efforts to extend Primary Education for we find that in Bandar and Guntur Municipalities, 90·6 and 92·2 P. C of the population of school-going age are attending schools, while in Bezwada the percentage is as low as only 36·2 and I may point out that in these Municipalities there are not even Municipal Primary Schools except for the depressed classes. I fail to understand how my friend would base on this a necessity for another Lower Secondary School.

[vide p. 17. Proceedings of the Director and the Report on Education Kistna District 1893-4.]

My friend as a further reason to show the necessity of another Lower Secondary School urges that the parents of school-going children in the town do not like to send their little ones to mission Schools at a tender age, and that some boys are held back from going to the Mission

it must be observed that the conditio of Primary Education in this town i such that it cannot supply in any way more material at present than there is already ~~formed~~ found in the C. M. S. Lower Secondary school; for I find that only 38 passed for the last Primary Examination (which seems to be the largest number for several years past) in the whole Municipality, and of these 24 or 25 are now attending the first form in the mission school, the rest having dropped off no doubt from inability to pay for higher education.

My friend urges that if we consider the proposed school unnecessary because the C. M. S supplies the demand, we may as well abolish the existing Municipal Primary School. Exactly so. Even if we close the school we should only be acting in strict accordance with the avowed policy of the Government towards aided education as long as we find sufficient

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I This is a subject which gave me much trouble to arrive at a conclusion. This was brought last year before the Council and met with opposition from a major portion of the Councillors present. Last time this subject came before the Council at the instance of the Asst. Inspector of Schools. This time it came supported by the Inspector of Schools and approved by the Director of Public Instruction.

II In arriving at a decision the following are the points which engaged my serious consideration

(I) Whether, by our opening a first form and keeping it together with the primary school, we have to raise the fees of the Standards of the primary School and thereby injure the prospering condition of the same.

(II) Whether unhealthy rivalry will be created between this School and the C.M.S Branch schools by opening first form or even the subsequent two forms also.

III First point — Educational rules say that the schools are classified as

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From
The Headmaster
C. M. S. High school
Bezwada.

To
The Chairman
Municipal Council
Bezwada

Sir

Having come to understand that there is a proposal before the Council to start a municipal Lower Secondary school from next January, and the proposal has the countenance of the Educational authorities, I beg permission to offer the following few remarks on the question.

It is a matter of surprise that the Educational authorities concerned should have given their support to the proposition while there is a Lower Secondary school quite adequate for the wants of this place for a long time to come. The reasons they must have had for doing so must be known only to themselves.

(1.) Could it be that they consider the Lower secondary Department of the C. M. S High school has not been working satisfactorily? A mere reference to a few simple statistics will convince any one that this could not be the case. The attendance in the Lower Secondary Department in 1892–3 was 82, in 1893–94 it was 65, and at present the number on the rolls is 107. The results of the Lower Secondary Examination have been, 3 passed out of 12 sent up in 1892–3, 4 out of 12 in 1893–4, and 7 out of 13 in 1894–5.

the religious instruction given there? In the first place, the educational authorities can have nothing to do with the question of religious education. secondly, the numbers attending the mission schools are a sufficient answer to the objection. Taking the percentage of the school-going children, there must be about 600 attending all the schools within the Municipality; of these nearly 290 boys, i.e. about half of the total number attend the mission schools. Besides, there are about 100 girls learning in mission Girls schools. The parents, some of them most orthodox Brahmins evidently have not any serious objection to their children benefitting by the education given in mission schools.

Ignorant as I am of the educational policy that the Council may decide to adopt, I venture, in conclusion, a few points for your consideration, following a few general, approved principles of public education.

(1) Since, as I have tried to shew, there is no scope for a second Lower secondary school, any funds, however small, spent on it would be waste, and ~~improper~~ ill-spent for a public body like a Municipal Council.

(2) I may suggest that there is sure to be unnecessary and improper rivalry between the two schools, in case the Municipal Council should decide to open one, seeing that there is so little material for two schools.

(3) It is not for me to speculate on the success of the proposed venture, as the educational rules require that according to the Fee Notification the scale of fees should have

to be higher for the Primary Classes of your school than in aided primary schools; and it does not require experts to interpret the operation of these Rules on this question.

(4) This question came before the Council only a few months ago, and the Majority of the Councillors ~~felt~~ rightly felt that there was no need at all for a second Lower Secondary school to be maintained by the Council, and I trust that the same wisdom will prevail in the deliberations of the Council on this subject, since matters could not have changed much during this short period.

(5) Finally, I beg that the Council will exhibit, in dealing with this important question, the same appreciation of missionary Education which the Government have always shewn, and seek to foster and strengthen, and not to cripple, in any way, our efforts to educate the people of the town and its neighbourhood.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

D. Anantam, B.A.

Headmaster,

C.M.S. High School.

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