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Grant but larger jobs were a matter for the Public Works Department and the approval of the Minister of Education.

The Working Committee's Report was received and adopted. (Ces Lederman & Maxwell)

General Business

Instructors in Assaying.

The Principal said that Mr. H. R. Murphy, C.E.S. would cease duty on the 7th May and applications for the position had been invited through the Press. Eight applications had been received and it would be necessary to appoint a committee to deal with them and make a selection.

It was resolved that the President, Vice-Presidents and the Principal be appointed a committee with power to select a suitable applicant and to submit his name to the Minister for approval.

(Ces Barrow & Lynch)

Retirement of Mr. H. H. Smith, Art Principal

The Chairman said that before concluding the business he desired to refer to the retirement of Mr. Smith from the position of Art Principal on the 31st March.

Mr. Smith had been on the staff for 35 years and had seen the Art in Ballarat grow from a very humble state to one of great importance.

Mr. Barrow moved that a minute be placed on the books recording the services rendered to the school by Mr. Smith during his many years exercised as Art Principal. The position was unique in that Mr. Smith had

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Created the Art School as it exists today.

Mr. Mr. Barrow, had the privilege of being one of the first students of the Art School started by the Fine Art Gallery and he had seen Mr. Smith go from success to success. Mr. Smith had been ~~the man~~ responsible for the training of many of our leading artists and Annual Arts students trained here now hold leading positions in the teaching profession. His retirement will be a definite loss but his achievements will prove an incentive to those who follow him. Mr. Smith should be very proud of the results achieved during his period of service with the school. The Council has every reason to be well satisfied with his work and regrets that the time has come for him to retire at a comparatively early age.

Mr. Maxwell in seconding the motion said that he could not claim such a long association as Mr. Barrow but he remembered the beginning of the Art School as part of the School of Mines. He heartily endorsed all Mr. Barrow's remarks and felt sure that the foundations laid by Mr. Smith were sound ones and that the work would continue on the same lines in the future. Mr. Smith must be leaving with feelings of great pride in the position the school occupies in the Art world as a result of his efforts.

The Chairman said that he had seen the President during the afternoon and on his ~~behalf~~ behalf desired to endorse the sentiments expressed by previous speakers.