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to a Mr. Maxwell who intended to erect a small-goods shop there.

On the previous Tuesday evening a meeting of members of the various cultural bodies, the Finance Committee and Mr. G. Richards, was held.

Mr. Richards addressed the meeting and produced plans of the type of small theatre he had in mind.

Those present were enthusiastic regarding the proposition and undertook to go back to their respective organisations and discuss the matter. Mr. Richards stated that the approximate cost of the theatre would be £16,000 and

he felt that if the Education Department would purchase or resume the block it might be possible to obtain a

subsidy on a £1 for £1 basis, the school to have the use of the theatre free of charge. An alternative was for the cultural organisations to

move towards securing the property themselves. The Education Department had been notified of the recent sale and their reaction was that steps would be taken either to purchase the property from Mr. Maxwell or, failing that, to resume the area.

The meeting agreed to consult their organisations and to meet again within a month to report progress.

The President said it would be necessary for the School Council to indicate its attitude to the proposal in order that the next meeting of

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the subscribed organisations could be informed of the School Council's reaction.

After a discussion during which ~~it~~ ^{while} it was evident that ^{while} ~~individually~~ ^{individually} members of the Council favoured

a theatre on this block to a small shop they felt that their lack of knowledge of the Education and

Public Works Departments' plans rendered it inadvisable for them as a Council to express their approval or otherwise at this juncture.

It was decided that the President be asked to convey their feelings to Mr. Richards.

Retirement of Principal

The President said that the Principal would reach the retiring age in October and it was desirable

that steps be taken at an early date to call for applications.

It was resolved that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee who would report to the Council on the steps taken.

Christy Sutton & Maxwell.

Visiting Committee

Mrs Wilson and Smail were appointed the Visiting Committee for the ensuing month, Mr. Wilson to act as Convenor.

This concluded the business and the meeting closed.

M. G. Smith
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