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## ROSEAU CREDIT UNION
## ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT
### J. J. ROBINSON
### AT THE SECOND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

YOUR Honour, Your Lordship, Rev. Fr. Proesmans, Rev. Mothers, Members of the Board of Directors, Members of the Roseau Credit Union, friends: in presenting this report on the Roseau Credit Union for 1952, I wish first of all to take this opportunity to extend on behalf of the Roseau Credit Union, a very cordial and warm welcome to Your Honour and family to Dominica. We of this credit union, like all other Dominicans, feel that from the great enthusiasm, marked efficiency and dynamic personality which characterise Your Honour's office, that Dominica has been rather fortunate in having you at the head of her Government. We wish and pray, Sir, that with GOD'S help and His Holy guidance, and through your own grasp of the situation, that your term of office here will remain a landmark in the administration of the public service of this colony; that under your able guidance and leadership, the social and economic standards in this colony shall rise to very satisfactory levels, and that your labours here will reflect great glory in your career in the administrative service of the Colonial Empire.

We feel favoured that Your Honour has found time despite your busy office, to attend this meeting to-night. I can assure you, Sir, that I express the sincere feelings of every member when I say how grateful we are to have you sitting with us to-night. We are yet a young body organised only eighteen months ago. It was Rev. Mother Alicia who first thought of a credit union for Roseau. It is through her industrious, zeal and careful nursing that the Credit Union has been able to achieve any measure of success. Dominica will ever remain indebted to Mother Alicia for her devoted and genuine service in the field of Social Welfare in Dominica.

It is to be deeply regretted that Mother Alicia has had to be absent from this meeting to-night. I know no one regrets it more than Mother Alicia herself. It is a pleasure however, to announce to you that she has been awarded a UNO Fellowship to pursue a course of studies in Credit Union Co operatives, and has had to leave Dominica at short notice for Nova Scotia, Canada. No selection could have been more appropriate. We are all aware of Mother Alicia's interest in the social welfare of Dominica. I am sure we all congratulate her on her award and wish her GOD'S speed in her studies. The officers and members of this credit union will certainly miss Mother Alicia at the office on Saturday afternoons. We are satisfied she is going to gain new experiences which will enrich the field of social work in this island.

We are very pleased to welcome Your Lordship again to another of our general meeting. We always feel assured that we can count on Your Lordship's support of every activity of the credit union. We are grateful that Your Lordship has allowed us to continue to use Park House as our office, and this in spite of the great pressure on the accommodation that the Catholic authorities can at the moment provide for their very many activities in Roseau

To our friends and leaders of other credit union groups in Dominica, I extend on behalf of the Roseau Co operative Credit Union, a very hearty welcome. I sincerely hope that you enjoy working in co-operative venture as much as we do and that your credit unions will grow from strength to strength, and prove of immense service to your members and Dominica as a whole. I pray that GOD may inspire you with the wisdom of leadership and the constant dedication of yourselves to the greater service of your communities. I should like you to convey to your membership the very best wishes of the Roseau Credit Union for success in a very worthy undertaking.

I wish to welcome all you members who have turned out to this general meeting. Although we have already grown accustomed to 1953, on behalf of the Board of Directors and myself personally, I wish you all a very happy and prosperous New Year. I sincerely hope that 1953 will mean to each and every of you, both in your private and business lives, one of great joy and happy satisfaction. I hope that this year the Roseau Credit Union will reach greater heights, and achieve higher goals. Let us ask GOD in this new year, to give our leaders the strength of mind and the wisdom to so pilot this organisation, that all members shall feel proud and think it a privilege to belong to The Roseau Credit Union.

In my address last year when I made remark on our achievement for the six months ending December 1951, I told you that if we took the present as a sign of of things to come, "From the virility of the beginning of this credit union, we have little to fear of its success." 1952 has been a splendid year for us. We have made astounding progress. We have grown in membership, and funds experience; we are no longer the baby we were in 1951, but have grown into a strong and health body. We all have reason to be proud and I congratulate every one of you for your splendid co-operation. I hope that you will continue to support fully your credit union and

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