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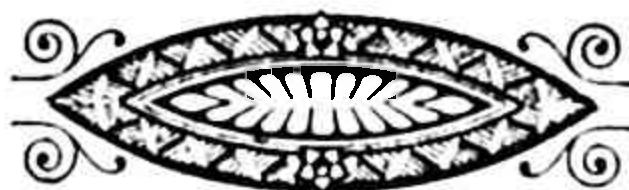
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OF THE

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

OF THE

Town of Aurora

For the Year Ending March 11th

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Art. 14. To choose a constable for the ensuing year.

Art. 15. To choose a chimney inspector for the ensuing year.

Art. 16. To choose a surveyor of Wood, Bark and Lumber for the ensuing year.

Art. 17. To choose a road commissioner for the ensuing year.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise for ways, highways and bridges.

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise for Town charges.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise for the Contingent Fund.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise for support of schools.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise for maintenance of cemetery.

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise for public health nurse.

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise for Superintendence Account.

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise for repair account of school.

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise for poor department.

Art. 27. To see if the Town will appropriate and raise the sum of \$44.00 for maintenance of third class highway.

Art. 28. To see what sum the Town will appropriate for State Aid road construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Section 19, Chapter 28, Revised Statutes of 1930, or under the provisions of Section 3, Chapter 229, Public Laws of 1937.

Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen and treasurer to make temporary loans, not exceeding in the aggregate

the sum of \$2,000.00, in anticipation of and to be paid out of current taxes for the municipal year 1938, and to issue the town's negotiable notes therefor.

Art. 30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen and treasurer to issue the Town's negotiable notes or bonds for the purpose of renewing, refunding, or paying certain notes of the town now due or to become due during the municipal year of 1938.

Art. 31. To see what sum the Town will appropriate and raise for the painting and repairing of the town hall.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to pay men, horses and trucks per hour on the Town roads and State Aid roads.

Art. 33. To act on any other article or articles that may come before said meeting.

Given under our hands this 12th day of March, 1938.

A. R. MACE,

E. F. ROWE,

O. L. JORDAN,

Selectmen of Aurora.

Selectmen's Report

Real estate, resident	\$28,825 00	
Real estate, non-resident	40,718 00	
Personal estate, resident	3,160 00	
Personal estate, non-resident	540 00	
Total valuation		\$73,248 00
No. of polls, 36; No. of polls exempt, 4; tax rate, .047.		

ASSESSED

Overlay	\$168 47	
State tax	542 91	
County tax	192 81	
Support of Schools	600 00	
Town Charges	500 00	
Contingent Fund	600 00	
Cemetery	50 00	
Superintendence Account	35 00	
Public Health Nurse	10 00	
Welfare Department	450 00	
Roads and Bridges	150 00	
Third Class Maintenance	41 47	
Signs and Guide Boards	10 00	
Painting and repairing Town Hall	200 00	
Total commitment		\$3,550 66
Poll taxes abated, Charles Perry and William Dyer		6 00
		\$3,544 66
Supplementary tax, Lewis Moore		3 00
		\$3,547 66

ASSETS

Real Estate owned by town:		
Town Hall, Schoolhouses and Margaret Archer place		\$2,300 00
Permanent School Fund, deposited with the		
Union Trust Co. of Ellsworth, Me.		
savings account	\$1,000 00	
18 shares Preferred Stock, Union Trust Co.	180 00	

Due from State, snow removal	189 00	
porcupine bounties, 1934	33 00	
porcupine bounties, 1937-38	58 00	
tuition	195 00	
Pl. No. 33, Lin Chick account	9 00	
Pl. No. 21, Seth A. Moore acct.	127 01	
Due from I. G. Kemp, rent Margaret Archer place	110 00	
Due from I. G. Kemp, balance on Butler place	10 00	
Uncollected taxes, 1937	75 45	
Due from Plantation No. 21	9 00	
Balance in Treasury	1,171 37	
		\$3,166 83

LIABILITIES

Adj. Fire Count, Penobscot Develop. Co.	\$276 00	
Due State Patrol Maintenance	376 50	
		\$ 652 50

UNCOLLECTED TAXES, 1937

Maud Crommett, balance on 1937 tax	\$ 12 00	
Barney Gass, or others	21 15	
W. R. Sawyer, or others	16 45	
E. E. Johnson	25 85	
Total		\$ 75 45

ORDERS DRAWN ON TREASURER
(School Department)

C. S. Orcutt, Supt. Account	\$ 23 74
Higgins Classical Institute	70 00
C. S. Orcutt, supplies	1 70
Dorothea Dwyer, teaching	96 00
Dorothea Dwyer, teaching	40 80
Maine Teachers' Retirement Association	7 20
Higgins Classical Institute, tuition	65 00
Webster Publishing Co., supplies	90
Edw. E. Babb & Co., supplies	45
Houghton-Mifflin Co., supplies	1 76

Hutchins Bros. Co., supplies	60	
Donald Hooper, teaching	68	00
G. R. Dorr, transportation	25	60
A. R. Mace, fuel	12	04
C. S. Orcutt	15	40
Donald Hooper	174	25
Maine Teachers' Retirement Association	12	75
G. R. Dorr, transportation	33	60
Higgins Classical Institute, tuition	122	50
E. E. Babb & Co.	5	79
Ginn & Company	8	67
Webster Publishing Co.	60	
Howard & Brown	90	
Silver, Burdette Co.	1	79
Donald Hooper	34	00
Frank Honey	3	50
Elvin Silsby	1	00
E. B. Honey	1	40
Edw. E. Babb & Co.	99	
Donald Hooper	68	00
Maine Public Health Association	10	
Benj. H. Sanborn	3	73
Donald Hooper, janitor	9	00
Donald Hooper	43	35
Maine Teachers' Retirement Association	7	65
G. R. Dorr	66	00
Higgins Classical Institute	105	00
A. R. Mace	30	29
G. R. Dorr	72	00
		\$1,236 05

WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Amount raised by Town	\$450.00	
Amount taken from excise taxes	1 42	
		\$451 42

G. H. Butler Account:		
Hollis Jordan, trip to Ellsworth	\$ 3 00	
A. R. Mace, supplies	40 85	
Maud Crommett, board	64 00	
Olin Jordan, supplies	29 69	
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	\$137 64	
Walter Richardson children:		
Period July to December, 1936	140 52	
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		\$278 16
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Unexpended balance		\$173 36
Seth A. Moore, (State Account):		
Lee Magoon	\$252 00	
A. R. Mace	22 01	
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		\$274 01

TOWN CHARGES

Amount raised by Town	\$500 00	
Special Legislative Resolve, Chick Account	75 00	
Amount taken from excise tax	13 57	
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		\$588 57
S. U. Archer, services as constable	\$ 5 00	
F. W. Sanborn, reports	24 00	
Dillingham, books	5 25	
O. W. Tapley Co., Inc., insurance	10 60	
Edgar McIninch, fire	4 80	
A. R. Jordan, fire	8 00	
Adelbert Giles, fire	8 00	
G. R. Dorr, election	2 80	
E. A. Richardson	2 80	
Hollis E. Jordan, fire	20 25	
M. S. Richardson, fire	14 40	
E. F. Rowe, fire	6 20	
Union River Tel. Co., tel. charges	1 75	
Roland B. Jordan, charge as sealer	2 80	

E. F. Rowe, town clerk	38 75	
E. A. Silsby	19 50	
G. R. Dorr, sign and posts etc.,	2 63	
W. S. Silsby, treasurer	50 00	
A. R. Mace, school committee	3 00	
Alice Richardson, school committee	3 00	
E. B. Honey, school committee	3 00	
O. L. Jordan, fire	20 00	
A. R. Mace, selectman and assessor	75 00	
E. F. Rowe, selectman and assessor	25 00	
O. L. Jordan, selectman and assessor	40 00	
E. A. Richardson, signs and posts	1 50	
Hutchins Bros., book	75	
W. S. Silsby, legal services etc.	3 75	
S. S. Silsby, Lin Check Account	75 00	
W. S. Silsby, comm. 1936 tax	1 08	
W. S. Silsby, comm. 1938 excise tax	3 04	
W. S. Silsby, comm. 1937 tax	104 16	
W. S. Silsby, comm. 1937 excise tax	2 76	
		\$588 57

SNOW ACCOUNT

Amount available from State	\$189 00	
Amount available from Contingent Fund	223 50	
Amount from excise tax	27 10	
Total		\$439 60

BALANCE 1936-38 SNOW REMOVAL

A. N. Giles	\$ 18 82	
S. U. Archer	3 77	
E. F. Rowe, snow fence	2 80	
S. U. Archer, snow fence	5 80	
Ralph Ryder, snow fence	4 20	
E. A. Silsby, snow fence	13 20	
O. S. Palmer, snow fence	1 50	
Union River Tel. Co., wire	2 00	
	\$ 52 09	

A. N. Giles	235 75
E. A. Silsby	39 15
S. U. Archer	11 73
E. F. Rowe	39 99
A. R. Mace	9 01
O. L. Jordan	22 22
Ed Farrell	6 22
E. B. Honey	4 65
Ernest Hamor	2 63
A. L. Archer	3 50
F. S. Hamor	53
Hollis E. Jordan	2 10
M. S. Richardson	53
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	\$378 01

Town Ways:	
A. N. Giles	4 40
E. F. Rowe	90
A. N. Giles	3 50
E. A. Silsby	70
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	\$ 9 50

\$439 60

Requisition for Patrol Maintenance	<hr/>	\$376 50
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CEMETERY

Unexpended balance, 1936	\$ 3 40	
Raised by town, 1937	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 53 40
D. B. Ritchie, labor		32 80
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Unexpended balance		\$ 20 60

STATE AID ACCOUNT FOR 1938

S. U. Archer, posts for guard rail	\$ 45 00
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 REPAIRING AND PAINTING TOWN HALL

Amount raised by town, 1937	\$200 00
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Cushman Lumber Company	\$ 10 80	
G. R. Dorr, labor	47 60	
E. A. Richardson, labor	36 40	
A. R. Mace, material	116 61	
E. A. Richardson, use of equipment	3 25	
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		\$214 66
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Amount overdrawn		\$ 14 66

SIGNS AND GUIDE BOARD

Amount raised by town	\$ 30 00
A. Cordine	28 50
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Unexpended balance	\$ 1 50

HEALTH NURSE

Amount raised by town	\$ 10 00
Hancock County Health Association	\$ 10 00

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Amount raised by town	\$150 00
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E. A. Silsby	\$ 2 10
E. F. Rowe	14 60
L. Moore	1 40
E. B. Honey	1 05
Elmer Magoon	4 20
M. S. Richardson, bushes	14 00
Everard Archer, bushes	14 00
E. F. Rowe, bushes	5 60
E. F. Rowe, roads	2 80
A. R. Macé, roads	16 80
Ray Magoon, roads	2 80
S. U. Archer, bushes	14 00
Ralph Ryder, bushes	2 80

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Olin Jordan, bushes	16 80	
Ralph Ryder, roads	2 80	
Olin L. Jordan	11 80	
	<hr/>	\$127 55
Unexpended balance		<hr/> \$ 22 45

Third Class Maintenance Fund:

Amount from State \$ 39 88

Ray Magoon	\$ 5 60	
E. A. Richardson	17 68	
A. E. Giles	5 60	
E. F. Rowe	11 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 39 88

State Unimproved Highway Fund:

Amount from State \$ 40 96

E. A. Richardson	\$ 6 76	
Roland Bradbury	5 60	
E. F. Rowe	7 00	
H. A. Richardson	12 60	
O. S. Palmer	9 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 40 96

Total orders drawn \$3,215 12

State Aid Account Fund 1937, by payroll	\$ 559 36
Third Class Highway Fund, 1936, by payroll	\$ 96 00
Third Class Highway Fund, 1937, by payroll	\$ 88 00

Treasurer's Report

W. S. SILSBY, Treasurer

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By paid:

June 28	State Welfare, W. G. Richardson	\$ 140 52
June 28	Interest on State Tax, 1936	3 05
Aug. 11	Union Trust Co., collection two notes	30
Sept. 27	Hedgehog Bounties	2 50
Oct. 4	Hedgehog Bounties	50
Oct. 11	State Highway Comm., Shovel No. 51	139 50
Oct. 11	State Highway Comm., Grader No. 21	10 50
Oct. 11	State Highway Comm., Compressor No. 16	
Oct. 11	State Welfare, Richardson children	154 04
Nov. 24	Treasurer of State, State Tax	542 91
Dec. 6	County of Hancock, County Tax	192 81
Dec. 16	Hedgehog Bounty	1 75
Dec. 18	G. H. Stevenson, hedgehog bounty	3 00
1938		
Jan. 10	State Treasurer, dog license	10 00
Jan. 19	Hedgehog Bounties	48 50
Mar. 7	Hazel Giles	10 00
Mar. 7	Union Trust Co., 5 per cent on Coll. Crommett Note	1 80
Mar. 7	Union Trust Co., Bank Service	78
Mar. 8	Hedgehog Bounty	4 75
Mar. 11	Selectmen's Orders	3,215 12
Mar 11	Balance in Treasury	1,171 37

\$5,653 70

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1937		
Mar.	Balance in Treasury	\$ 533 41
June 28	Reimbursement from State, snow	140 52
June 30	Union Trust Co., premium repayment	18 00
June 30	Union Trust Co., preferred stock div.	5 40
Aug. 3	State Treasury, Leg. Res. Mrs. Linwood Chick	93 00
Aug. 11	Reimbursement from WPA Joseph Williams	17 82
Aug. 25	State Treasury, maint. unimp. roads	40 54
Sept. 28	Union Trust Co., div. on bank stock	1 89
Oct. 1	W. S. Silsby, rent for schoolhouse	2 00
Oct. 11	State Treasury, reimb. State Aid	490 64
Nov. 6	O. W. Tapley, reimburse. insurance	10 60
Nov. 24	W. S. Silsby, Town of Mariaville Resolve	1 20
Nov. 28	State Treas., Health and Welfare, Seth A. Moore	203 71
Dec. 6	State Treas. reimbursement dog license	2 48
Dec. 6	State Treas., State school fund	341 33
Dec. 6	R. R. and Telephone Tax	11 16
1938		
Jan. 10	Union Trust Co., preferred stock div.	5 40
Jan. 10	Union Trust Co., premium repayment	18 00
Jan. 10	E. F. Rowe, clerk, dog license	10 00
Feb. 17	Arthur L. Archer, rent Town Farm, Feb. 15 to Apr. 15, 1938	10 00
Mar. 7	Welfare Dept., Hazel Giles pension	10 00
Mar. 11	W. S. Silsby, coll. 1936 tax	36 00
Mar. 11	W. S. Silsby, coll. 1937 excise tax	72 06
Mar. 11	W. S. Silsby, coll. 1938 excise tax	101 34
Mar. 11	E. F. Rowe, coll., dog license	5 00
Mar. 12	W. S. Silsby, coll., 1937 taxes	3,472 20

 \$5,653 70

School Report

To the Members of the Superintending School Committee and Citizens:

Following is my annual report as superintendent of schools. Mrs. Dorothea Dwyer taught the Spring term to complete the school year. Donald Hooper, a graduate of Washington Normal School at Machias and a teacher of experience, was employed for the present school year. The attendance, with the exception of a few cases of illness has been very good. There are eighteen pupils attending at present and three attending Higgins Classical Institute.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Resources

Appropriated by town	\$600 00	
State Fund	148 00	
State, refund on High School Tuition	193 33	
Interest on School Fund Notes	28 75	
R. R. & Tel. Tax	11 16	
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Total resources		\$981 24

Expenditures

Teachers' Wages and Board:

Dorothea Dwyer	\$136 80	
M. T. R. Association	7 20	
Donald Hooper	387 60	
M. T. R. Association	10 40	
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		\$552 00

Janitors:

Frank Honey	\$ 3 50	
Elvin Silsby	1 00	
Ed Honey	1 40	
Donald Hooper	9 00	
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		\$ 14 90

Conveyance:

George Dorr	\$187 20
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Fuel:

A. R. Mace	\$ 36 54
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High School Tuition:

Higgins Classical Institute:

Douglas Mace	\$100 00	
A. R. Mace, Jr.	100 00	
Bertha Mace	75 00	
Walter Palmer	17 50	
		\$292 50

Textbooks:

Webster Pub. Co.	\$ 15	
Houghton, Mifflin, readers	1 76	
Ginn & Co., histories and Geog.	8 67	
Silver, Burdette, music manual	1 79	
Benj. Sanborn, English books	3 73	
		\$ 16 10

Supplies:

E. E. Babb & Co., paper, chalk, etc.	\$ 7 23	
Hutchins Bros., order book	60	
Webster Pub. Co., plan books	60	
Howard & Brown, diplomas	90	
M. P. H. Ass'n., health chart	10	
A. R. Mace	5 79	
		\$ 15 22

Total expenditures	\$1,114 46
Overdrawn, 1936-7	103 90
	\$1,218 36
Overdrawn, 1937-8	\$ 237 12

REPAIR ACCOUNT

Unexpended	\$ 38 83
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SUPERINTENDENCE ACCOUNT

Unexpended last year	\$ 2 26	
Appropriated by town	35 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 37 26
Paid C. S. Orcutt		30 80
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Unexpended		\$ 6 46

Respectfully submitted,

CAROLYN S. ORCUTT,

Superintendent of Schools.

Hancock County Health Service

TOWN OF AURORA, YEAR, 1937

To the Citizens, town of Aurora, Me.:

I hereby submit the report of the work rendered by the Hancock County Health Service for the year, February 1st, 1937 to February 1st, 1938.

During May, 1937, the nurse visited the Caruso school to give individual inspection to the pupils who were absent at the time the annual inspection was given. The pupils were also weighed at the end of the term to ascertain gain or loss in weight. The school was visited again during September on the opening of school. Classroom inspection was given and health program discussed with the teacher.

The annual physical inspection for year 1938 was given in the month of November to all pupils of the Caruso school, and the result found as follows:

Number of pupils found with defective vision	2
defective hearing	0
decayed teeth	11
nasal obstruction	1
needing prophylactic cleaning	4

Of the (17) pupils inspected (13) were found with defects. Since previous inspections (5) have had dental corrections and (1) a tonsil and adenoid operation at the Eastern Maine General Hospital.

The audiometer, a machine for testing the hearing, was used in the school, (12) taking the test. (2) retests were given and (1) found with loss in hearing in the right ear.

The services rendered the many towns of Hancock County by the Health Service, is to teach and promote health, to care for the sick in emergency, and to assist the town with its health problems. Appreciation of nurse is extended to all who are interested in the Service.

Respectfully submitted,

HANCOCK COUNTY HEALTH SERVICE

WINIFRED L. DUNPHY, R. N.,

Hancock County Health Nurse.

BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS 1938

Schools	\$700 00
Town Charges	500 00
Contingent Fund	600 00
Cemetery	50 00
Health Nurse	10 00
Superintendence Account	35 00
Welfare Department	300 00
Third Class Maintenance	44 00
State Aid Highway	450 00
Highway	150 00
Painting and repairing Town Hall	75 00
Amount due Penobscot Development Co., fire	276 00