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# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

# MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

AND

# Superintendent of Schools

OF THE

# TOWN OF AVON

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1937

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FARMINGTON, MAINE  
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1937

# TOWN OFFICERS

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## SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR

H. CECIL VOTER      GEORGE WOTTON      REX RAYMOND

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

RAY WELTS      J. E. NOBLE      HAYDEN FAIRBANKS

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

T. A. DECOSTA

## COLLECTOR AND CONSTABLE

D. W. WELLS

## AGENT

J. BLAINE MORRISON

## TREASURER

HENRY B. HAMLIN

## TOWN CLERK

MRS. ETTA STINCHFIELD

## HEALTH OFFICER

B. L. ARMS, M. D.

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

NATHANIEL HARNDEN

## FIRE WARDEN

REX RAYMOND

## FIRE WARD

MAXELL DUNHAM

# Town Warrant

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To D. W. Wells, a Constable of the Town of Avon, in the County  
of Franklin, GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town of Avon, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town House, in said town, on Monday, the fifteenth of March, A. D. 1937, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside in said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To hear reports and allow accounts.

Art. 4. To choose selectmen, overseers of the poor, assessors, town treasurer, one or more members of school committee, collector, fire ward, fire warden, and all other town officers required by law to be elected in March annually.

Art. 5. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for all school expenses, both High and common.

Art. 6. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for repairs of schoolhouses.

Art. 7. To see if the town will vote to raise the following amounts for overdrafts:

Town charges	\$ 50.07	State Aid Rep.	\$ 27.66
Town officers	.15	Support of Poor	1,599.06
Snow removal	358.18	Abatements	259.86
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Total			\$2,294.98

Art. 8. To raise money for the payment of town charges.

Art. 9. To raise money for the payment of town officers' bills.

Art. 10. To raise money for the support of poor.

Art. 11. To raise money for highways and bridges.

Art. 12. To raise money for breaking and plowing roads for the past winter.

Art. 13. To raise money for the abatement of taxes.

Art. 14. To raise money for Memorial purposes.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the question of appropriating and raising money necessary to entitle the town to State Aid, as provided in Sec. 20, of Chap. 28, of the Revised Statutes of 1930.

Art. 16. 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 Sec. 19, Chap. 28, Revised Statutes of 1930, or under the provisions of Sec. 3, Chap. 173, Public Laws of 1935.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to hire money in anticipation of taxes, if in their judgment it is necessary.

Art. 18. To raise money for Mothers' Aid and dependent children.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to raise \$414.00 for Third Class maintenance.

Art. 20. To see what sum the town will vote to raise for cutting bushes along the highways for the ensuing year in addition to the amount regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges and proceed to raise the same.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for Patrol Service.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the Public Health Nurse.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell and convey property.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen not to pay only one-half of money due any resident taxpayer until his taxes are paid and to give preference to such residents. (Back taxes paid first.)

Art. 25. To raise money for State Aid repair.

Art. 26. To see what sum the town will vote to raise for the services of the Cooperative Health Union Officer.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to allow a discount of 3% on all taxes paid on or before Oct. 1, 1937.

Art. 28. To see what sum, if any, the town would recommend to take from the Joint State Aid account for the purpose of applying bituminous surface treatment to State Aid roads, in excess of the requirements of Sec. 2, Chap. 132, P. L. 1935.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), the same to be applied toward the payment of the three thousand dollar (\$3,000.00) loan due at Phillips National Bank April 20, 1937.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to hire the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) for the term of one year, the money to be applied towards the payment of the three thousand dollar (\$3,000) loan at the Phillips Nat. Bank due April 20, 1937.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to pay Samuel Trask the sum (\$29.75), the amount claimed by him for board of Harry Thomas in 1935.

Art. 32. To see if town will vote to repair road leading from Ben Kennedy place to Sam Trask's place or abate Sam Trask's tax.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to let the Town House to the Sunshine Club free of charge for the purpose of holding socials for charitable purposes, providing the club furnishes their own light and fuel and leave the hall as they find it.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$15 to pay to the Maine Municipal Officers Association.

Art. 35. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise, for the purpose of keeping in repair, cemeteries where Revolutionary soldiers are buried.

Art. 36. To see what action the town will take in regard to plowing roads for the coming winter.

Art. 37. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Town House, in said town, on above date, at nine o'clock A. M. for the purpose of revising the voting list.

Given under our hands this first day of March, A. D. 1937.

H. CECIL VOTER,  
GEORGE WOTTON,  
REX RAYMOND,

*Selectmen of Avon.*

# Assessors' Report

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*To the Citizens of Avon:*

We hereby submit the following report of receipts and expenditures for the year ending March 1, 1937.

VALUATION	
Real Estate, resident	\$ 67,289 75
Real Estate, non-resident	110,225 00
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Total Real Estate	\$177,514 75
Personal Estate, resident	\$14,987 00
Personal Estate, non-resident	425 00
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Total Personal Estate	\$15,412 00
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Total Real and Personal Estate	\$192,926 75

DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL PROPERTY		
LIVESTOCK TAXED	NO.	VALUE
Horses and mules	69	\$5,960 00
Colts, 2 to 3 yrs. old	1	40 00
Cows	151	4,822 00
Oxen	25	1,680 00
Three years old	40	1,080 00
Two years old	46	900 00
Poultry (over 50 in number)	150	75 00
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Total amount		\$14,557 00



## EXEMPT LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

	NO.	VALUE	
One year old	40	\$562 00	
Sheep (to 35 in number)	48	240 00	
Swine (to 10 in number)	14	130 00	
Poultry (to 50 in number)	702	395 50	
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Total amount			\$1,327 50

## ALL OTHER KINDS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

	NO.	VALUE	
Radios	15	\$300 00	
Other property		555 00	
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Total amount			\$855 00

Rate per cent	.062
Number of polls taxed	102
Poll tax	\$3.00

On the 25th day of May, 1936, the lists of the above assessments were committed to D. W. Wells, Collector for the town.

Collector's commission	.015
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## APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED

State tax	\$1,378 30
County tax	474 95
Support of Schools	2,500 00
Town Officers' bills	700 00
Support of Poor	400 00
Highways and Bridges	1,250 00
Snow removal	1,250 00
Abatement of taxes	150 00
Patrol service	340 80
Overdrafts	918 30
Town charges	800 00
Memorial purposes	5 00

Third Class maintenance	\$413 00
State Aid construction	600 00
Mothers' Aid and Dep. Child.	250 00
Cutting bushes	100 00
White Pine Blister	100 00
State Aid repair	120 50
School repairs	25 00
Health Officer	15 00
Overlay	170 61
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	\$11,961 46

The above was committed to D. W. Wells for collection May 25, 1936.

Respectfully submitted,

H. CECIL VOTER,  
GEORGE WOTTON,  
REX RAYMOND,

*Assessors of Avon.*

# Report of Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor

FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 1ST, 1937

*To the Citizens of the Town of Avon:*

We do hereby submit the following receipts and expenditures:

## TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS

Appropriation \$700 00

### EXPENDITURES

Wm. S. Kelley	\$146 70
George Wotton	55 00
H. Cecil Voter	85 00
Percy Cook	34 45
Etta A. Stinchfield	20 00
Blanche Beal	50 00
T. A. DeCosta (1935 bill)	16 30
T. A. DeCosta	97 80
C. A. Wing	21 97
D. W. Wells (collecting 1936 taxes)	155 53
D. W. Wells (collecting excise tax)	17 40

Total		\$700 15
Overdrawn	\$ 15	

## TOWN CHARGES

Appropriation	\$800 00
Unexpended 1935	60 39

\$860 39

## EXPENDITURES

Celia W. Smith (typing)	\$ 2 00
Etta A. Stinchfield (telephone and postage)	5 79
Phillips National Bank (interest)	361 67
H. E. Crawford (State Auditor)	13 50
Knowlton & McLeary Co. (printing reports)	62 35
Orin Roberts (car, 1935 bill)	42 00
Vinton Voter (car)	23 00
Wm. S. Kelley (telephone, postage, etc.)	4 49
E. P. Knapp (kerosene for flares, W. P. A.)	2 09
Estate of B. F. Beal (wire, 1935 bill)	6 00
Truman Masterman (wood, W. P. A.)	2 50
T. R. Wing (sharpening drills, W. P. A.)	4 00
C. A. Wing (car)	9 00
Carroll Dustin (plank, 1935 bill)	4 32
Etta Stinchfield (envelopes)	2 25
W. S. Lovejoy (blacksmithing)	6 55
E. A. Richardson (showing lines on D. T. Curtis)	1 25
Orin Roberts (car)	54 00
J. Blaine Morrison (Treas. bond)	20 00
Loring, Short & Harmon (enrollment blanks)	1 50
Orris Vose (adding machine)	35 00
Cecil Voter (lumber for gravel pit camp)	4 00
Thelma Hammond (bal. in treasury due)	25 20
Etta Stinchfield (enrollment clerk)	6 00
Harry Meecham (planking drag)	6 77
M. G. Bubier (Town house fence)	1 35
Henry B. Hamlin (check protector)	18 00
George Wotton (ballot clerk)	3 00
W. W. Small Co. (wire for Town house fence)	7 00
Cecil Voter (ballot clerk)	9 00
Cecil Voter (car expense to Rumford)	4 50
Robert Mills (Town house fence)	1 35
Francis W. Sullivan (legal advice)	8 00
Charlie Huff (moving sleds, W. P. A.)	4 00
Albert E. Kempton (surveying town lines)	21 50
Rex Raymond (election clerk)	9 00
Theodore Beal (Town house fence)	1 35
Maxell Dunham (Town house fence)	2 40
Truman Masterman (posts and rails for Town house fence)	11 25

Truman Masterman (ballot clerk)	\$ 9 00	
Town of Phillips (int. on school money)	11 60	
Town of Strong (int. on school money)	5 63	
Pleasant St. Garage (welding, W. P. A.)	3 40	
Cecil Voter (Town house fence)	5 03	
J. Blaine Morrison (legal advice)	25 00	
J. W. Russell (note books, E. A. Stinchfield)	20	
J. W. Russell (1934 bill, C. W. A.)	4 35	
Estate of B. F. Beal (wire)	8 00	
Rex Raymond (transportation and express on Surplus com.)	8 88	
Phillips Hdwe. Co. (paper and nails)	2 67	
D. W. Wells (excise books)	2 42	
Cecil Voter (phone, postage, supplies)	6 85	
Henry Hamlin (phone, postage, supplies)	9 50	
Cecil Voter (delivering Surplus com.)	1 00	
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Total		\$910 46
Overdrawn	\$50 07	

## SUPPORT OF POOR

Appropriation	\$400 00	
Rec'd from State, Chas. Coolong	414 61	
Ward Jackson	272 66	
John Korhonen	50 14	
Everett Wilcox	30 00	
Veteran No. 1	22 00	
Town of Jay (Harold Cook)	50 09	
Town of Rangeley (Harry Ross)	12 00	
Town of Madrid (David Bursiel)	8 00	
Delbert Cook	3 60	
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Total available		\$1,263 10

## EXPENDITURES

Charles Coolong	\$453 89	Harry Thomas	\$249 68
Paul Hunt	297 56	Rose Crocker	238 00
Mrs. Bart Luce	279 23	Everett Cook	192 94
Ward Jackson	273 36	Mrs. Rachel Williams	
Warren Knowles	271 75	(1935 bill)	141 30

Elbridge Marson	\$100 00	Ronald & May Haley	\$14 55
Robert Orbeton	58 88	Harry Ross	12 00
Scott White	58 70	Sherm Grover	6 51
John Korhonen	50 14	Delbert Cook	5 50
Veteran No. 1	38 00	Raymond Orbeton	5 00
Austin Phillips	37 57		
Ralph Flagg	27 50	Total expended	<u>\$2,862 16</u>
Overdrawn			\$1,599 06

## MOTHERS' AID AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Appropriation	\$250 00	
Unexpended 1935	110 24	
	<u>          </u>	
Total available		\$360 24

## EXPENDITURES

State Treasurer, Mothers' Aid	\$150 00	
State Treasurer, Dep. Child.	122 56	
	<u>          </u>	
Total expended		\$272 56
Unexpended	\$87 68	

## TRUST FUNDS

Edwin Bates	\$119 84
Lucy B. Hunt No. 987	11 04
Lucy B. Hunt No. 978	11 77

## MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation	\$ 5 00	
Unexpended 1935	10 26	
	<u>          </u>	
Total available		\$15 26

## EXPENDITURES

Waldo Bubier	\$2 00	
Clifford Wilcox	6 00	
	<u>          </u>	
Total expended		\$8 00
Unexpended	\$7 26	

	STATE TAX	
Paid State Treasurer		\$1,378 30

	COUNTY TAX	
Paid County Treasurer		\$474 95

	PEASE AND SAMPSON CEMETERIES	
Unexpended balance		\$54 20

	STATE PATROL	
Appropriation		\$340 80

	EXPENDITURES	
State Highway Dept.		\$340 80

	SAFE	
Unexpended 1935		\$5 00

	EXPENDED	
Charlie Huff (moving safe)		\$5 00

	WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST	
Appropriated		\$100 00
Unexpended	\$100 00	

This money was requested to be held over till next year.

Below is a report of White Pine Blister Rust for the town of Avon for 1936:

	EXPENDED BY THE GOVERNMENT	
Acreage worked	2,501	
Crew man hours	5,152	
Bushes destroyed	107,325	
Amount spent	\$2,305 70	
Amount spent for crew transportation	44 40	

	SNOW REMOVAL, 1935-1936	
Appropriation	\$1,250 00	
Received from State	526 00	
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Total available		\$1,776 00

## EXPENDITURES

Rex Raymond (hand)	\$ 30 60	Ernest Bacheller	
Clarence Tyler (hand)	15 30	(wingman)	\$119 18
Vinton Voter (hand)	3 45	Tru'n Masterman (hand)	7 65
B. F. Savage (team)	52 25	Burnham White (hand)	2 70
Raymond Rowe (hand)	7 00	Guy Cushman (hand)	49 65
Robt. Masterman (hand)	7 80	Theodore Beal (hand)	6 30
Ernest Mills (hand)	24 30	Waldo Bubier (hand)	1 80
Rex Bubier (hand)	12 00	Ernest Weymouth (hand)	2 40
Robert Mills (team)	75 59	Chas. Cushman (hand)	2 40
Elmon P. Tyler (hand)	9 00	Elbridge Vining (hand)	1 20
Kenneth Whorff (hand)	1 95	Carroll Dustin (hand)	5 00
C. L. Beal (team)	33 30	Town of Phillips	
M. A. Dunham (hand)	4 65	(tractor)	28 00
Charles Mills (hand)	10 95	Sherm Grover (hand)	2 10
E. L. Pillsbury (truck)	6 00	M. M. Flagg (team)	25 75
Cecil Voter (hand)	25 88	Clifford Wilcox (team)	5 70
Clayton Brown (hand)	5 55	Delbert Cook (hand)	3 60
Charlie Huff (hand)	28 95	M. G. Bubier (hand,	
Roy Huff (hand)	9 60	1936-37)	16 80
Sunmer Huff (hand)	8 40	Minot Flagg (hand,	
Lewellyn Huff (hand)	2 70	1936-37)	2 40
Howard Huff (team)	30 91	Wm. Bangs (team)	5 00
Ralph Flagg (hand)	22 58	Theodore Beal (hand,	
Chas. McDonald (hand)	5 78	1936-37)	15 45
J. E. Noble (hand)	18 30	Maxell Dunham (hand,	
Walter Bump (hand)	8 10	1936-37)	16 35
Ramon Hanson (hand)	5 55	Alton Pease (tractor)	33 50
Dana Witham (hand)	9 75	Floyd Mitchell	65 00
M. G. Bubier (hand)	18 90	State of Me. (plowing	
Lester Gould (hand)	45 30	black road at \$40	
Percy Cook (plowing)	946 26	per mile)	227 20
Robert Orbeton (hand)	2 40		
		Total expended	\$2,134 18
Overdrawn			\$358 18

## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation	\$1,250 00
Unexpended 1935	7 51
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Total available	\$1,257 51



## EXPENDITURES

Percy Cook (truck)	\$72 34	Charles McDonald	\$ 2 50
Ray Starbird (plank and spikes)	53 11	Guy Cushman	2 50
Floyd Mitchell	50 04	Clinton Morrison	2 50
Sumner Huff	31 50	John Toothaker	2 24
Ben Savage	23 00	Jim Neil	2 24
Basil Rowe	22 62	Phillips Hdwe. Co.	7 53
Robert Orbeton	17 91	Truman Masterman	
Ernest Bacheller	11 25	(1935)	5 00
W. A. Arnold	10 25	Ben Savage (1935)	19 00
Earl Dyer	7 84	Clarence Fairbanks	
Howard Huff	5 04	(1935)	1 25
Benton Rowe	4 59	Henry Hamlin (1935)	4 40
Lester Gould	3 50		<hr/>
			\$362 15

## CROSS ROAD

Percy Cook	\$49 90	Rex Bubier	\$3 75
Phillips Hdwe. Co.	24 25	Ernest Bacheller	3 75
Robert Orbeton	13 46	Dana Sweet	2 50
Sumner Huff	11 25		<hr/>
Erlon Richardson	9 00	Orders paid	\$117 86

## UNPAID AMOUNTS

Lester Gould	\$20 00	Sumner Huff	\$2 50
Roy Huff	15 43	Lewellyn Huff	1 25
Vinton Voter	9 00		<hr/>
Charlie Huff	9 00	Total amount of orders	
Elmon Tyler	2 50	not yet turned in	\$59 68

Above work in charge of FLOYD MITCHELL, *Road Commissioner*.

The following — W. P. A. — was in charge of GEORGE WOTTON.

## W. P. A. CHARGED TO HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Harry Meecham (labor on drag)	\$ 4 85	W. W. Small (tools and dynamite)	\$48 65
T. R. Wing (black- smithing)	70 85	Orris Vose (iron)	20 08
		Guy Cushman (logs)	64 50

Ray Starbird (trucking logs)	\$ 22 50	Cecil Voter (grader)	\$ 2 50
Ray Starbird (chain & labor, 1935)	15 81	N. E. Wells (truck)	6 00
T. Masterman (logs)	48 25	Dana Witham (truck)	35 00
Henry Hamlin (logs)	27 60	Everett Pillsbury (truck)	39 53
Charlie Huff (truck)	9 00	Lee Stinchfield (truck)	43 55
Phillips Hdwe. Co. (supplies)	172 03		
		Total expended on	
		W. P. A.	\$630 70
Total expended from Highways and Bridges			\$1,110 71
Unexpended			\$146 80

## CUTTING BUSHES

Appropriation	\$100 00		
Unexpended 1935	46 48		
Total available			\$146 48

## EXPENDITURES

Wallace Moody	\$37 24		
Ray Welts	36 26		
M. M. Flagg	8 96		
Sam Trask	6 25		
Total expended			\$88 71
Unexpended		\$57 77	

## STATE AID REPAIR

Appropriation	\$120 50		
Received from State	119 40		
Total available			\$239 90

## EXPENDITURES

Percy Cook (truck)	\$83 06	Wesley Cook (hand)	\$15 00
Harold Mitchell (truck)	30 74	Ernest Bacheller (hand)	14 91
Howard Huff (truck)	24 00	Roy Huff (hand)	11 54
Basil Rowe (truck)	22 46	Benton Rowe (hand)	9 46
Floyd Mitchell (truck)	19 00	Rex Bubier (hand)	9 04

New Eng. Metal Cul.		Robert Orbeton (hand)	\$2 50
Co. (cul.)	\$8 33	Floyd Whitney (hand)	2 50
Cecil Voter (team)	7 50	Chester Wing (hand)	56
Everett Cook (hand)	6 96		
		Total expended	<u>\$267 56</u>
Overdrawn			\$27 66

## THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	\$413 00	
Unexpended 1935	159 50	
	<u>          </u>	
Total available		\$572 50

## EXPENDITURES

Percy Cook	\$111 50	Robert Orbeton	\$5 15
Floyd Mitchell	54 50	Everett Cook	3 90
Vinton Voter	49 50	Everett Rowe	3 90
Basil Rowe	29 72	Floyd Whitney	2 50
Erlon Richardson	22 50	Durward Safford	1 96
Charlie Huff	22 50	Levi Litchfield	1 96
Ernest Bacheller	21 25	Kenneth Safford	1 40
Roy Huff	16 25	John Toothaker	1 40
Rex Bubier	16 25	Lewellyn Huff	1 25
Harold Mitchell	11 50	Wallace Moody	1 25
Elmon Tyler	11 25	Jim Neil	1 12
Benton Rowe	11 12	Earl Dyer	56
Chester Wing	10 00		
Henry Hawbold	6 25	Total expended	<u>\$420 44</u>

Unexpended \$152 06

## STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation	\$ 600 00	
Rec'd from State	1,548 16	
	<u>          </u>	
Total available		\$2,148 16

## EXPENDITURES

Howard Huff (truck and team)	\$188 03	James Vining (team)	\$50 43
Robert Mills (team and hand)	150 34	M. G. Bubier (hand labor)	47 43
Basil Rowe (truck)	121 90	Scott White (T. Mas- terman) (hand)	42 71
Cecil Voter (foreman)	116 25	Minot Flagg (hand)	41 83
Percy Voter (truck)	109 64	Elmon Tyler (hand)	39 38
Lee Stinchfield (truck)	90 04	John Storer (hand)	36 76
Erlon Richardson (truck)	82 69	Dana Sweet (hand)	33 25
Clarence Fairbanks (hand labor)	79 64	Norman Masterman (T. Masterman) (hand)	17 85
Wallace Moody (hand)	79 64	New. Eng. Metal Cul. Co. (culverts)	102 06
Lester Gould (hand)	79 64	Bancroft & Martin Co. (culverts)	68 18
Ray Welts (hand)	76 84	Town of Avon (gravel)	48 80
Maxell Dunham (hand)	70 19	W. W. Small Co. (dyna- mite and tools)	49 75
Filmore Rollins (hand)	67 56	Phillips Hardware Co. (tools, etc.)	18 05
Merton Presby (hand)	59 69		
Floyd Mitchell (truck)	58 50		
Beric White (hand labor)	56 36		
Theodore Beal (hand)	50 76	Total amt. expended	\$2,134 19
Unexpended			\$13 97

Work in charge of CECIL VOTER.

## THIRD CLASS CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation by State \$1,560 96

## EXPENDITURES

Leland Stinchfield (truck)	\$115 16	Wallace Moody (hand)	\$62 13
Basil Rowe (truck)	110 26	Clifford Cushman (hand)	60 73
Cecil Voter (foreman)	100 75	Clarence Fairbanks (hand)	60 73
Charlie Huff (truck)	95 63	Maxell Dunham (hand)	60 39
Erlon Richardson (truck)	75 39	Robert Mills (team)	54 83
Filmore Rollins (hand)	64 93	Theodore Beal (hand)	46 73
Ray Welts (hand)	63 53	M. G. Bubier (hand)	46 73

Robt. Masterman (hand)	\$43 23	Bancroft & Martin Co.	
Clifford Wilcox (team)	42 00	(culverts)	\$122 70
Floyd Mitchell (team)	33 75	Town of Avon (gravel)	60 00
Rex Raymond (team)	29 23	W. W. Small Co.	
Raymond Rowe (team)	24 86	(dynamite and tools)	18 75
Clayton Brown (team)	8 75	Phillips Hdwe. Co.	
Elmon Tyler (team)	6 65	(tools, etc.)	13 35
Norman Masterman		Henry Leighton (drag)	8 00
(hand)	6 48	Truman Masterman	
Merton Presby (hand)	5 60	(posts)	2 25
Burnham White (hand)	4 38		
		Total amt. expended	\$1,447 90
		Unexpended	\$113 06

Work in charge of CECIL VOTER.

#### RESOURCES

Due from C. A. Wing, 1930 taxes	\$ 43 75	
C. A. Wing, 1931 taxes	14 51	
C. A. Wing, 1932 taxes	130 23	
M. A. Dunham, 1933 taxes	338 20	
C. A. Wing, 1934 taxes	26 98	
C. A. Wing, 1935 taxes	121 61	
D. W. Wells, 1936 taxes	1,818 18	
Tax deeds	1,694 87	
Securities	91 01	
Excise tax	393 56	
Overlay	170 61	
Supplementary tax	13 33	
		\$4,856 84

#### LIABILITIES

Due Phillips Nat. Bank	\$3000 00	
Town of Phillips (tuition)	956 25	
Town of Strong (tuition)	199 45	
		\$4,155 70
Resources over liabilities	\$701 14	

## SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS

### SHOWING OVERDRAFTS AND UNEXPENDED BALANCES

	Appropriation	Balance from 1935	Received from State	Total Available	Paid 1936	Overdrawn	Unexpended
Town Charges	\$ 800 00	\$ 60 39		\$ 860 39	\$ 910 46	\$ 50 07	
Town Officers	700 00			700 00	700 15	15	
Highways & Bridges	1,250 00	7 51		1,257 51	1,110 71		\$146 80
Snow Removal	1,250 00		\$ 526 00	1,776 00	2,134 18	358 18	
Cutting Bushes	100 00	46 48		146 48	88 71		57 77
State Patrol	340 80			340 80	340 80		
Health Officer	15 00			15 00	15 00		
3rd Class Maintenance	413 00	159 50		572 50	420 44		152 06
State Aid Const.	600 00		1,548 16	2,148 16	2,134 19		13 97
State Aid Repair	120 50		119 40	239 90	267 56	27 66	
Support of Poor	400 00		789 41				
			(other towns 73 69)	1,263 10	2,862 16	1,599 06	
Mothers' Aid and Dep. Children	250 00	110 24		360 24	272 56		87 68
Memorial Day	5 00	10 26		15 26	8 00		7 26
Cemetery Fund	None	54 20		54 20			54 20
White Pine Blister	100 00			100 00			100 00
3rd Class Const.			1,560 96	1,560 96	1,447 90		113 06
Abatements	150 00			150 00	409 86	259 86	
Safe	None	5 00			5 00		
						\$2,294 98	\$732 80
				Net overdraft on all accounts		1,562 18	

# Treasurer's Report

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HENRY B. HAMLIN, *Treasurer*

Phillips National Bank, temp. loan	\$ 7,000 00
Rec'd on Tax Deeds	923 76
Excise tax	393 56
Pauper accts., refunds	70 09
Town Clerk, dog licenses	54 00
Notes paid	32 39
Percy Cook, passenger car	30 00
Strong and Weld, running lines	10 75
Sunshine Club, rent of Town House	21 00
Delbert Cook, reimbursement	3 60
D. W. Wells, 1936 taxes	10,368 57
C. A. Wing, 1935 taxes	352 60
C. A. Wing, 1934 taxes	3 50
M. A. Dunham, 1933 taxes	67 91
C. A. Wing, 1931 taxes	25 21
C. A. Wing, 1930 taxes	13 69
State of Maine, State Aid No. 2	2,118 16
State Aid	1,296 84
Third Class	1,447 90
Snow Removal	526 00
State Aid Repair	119 40
State Paupers	789 41
Equalization Fund	68 00
Dog Lic. Refund	17 20
R. R. and Tel. tax	1 95
State School Fund	1,253 70
Town of Avon, gravel	108 80
Abatements, 1936	94 04
Abatements, 1929 to 1935	301 42
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	\$27,513 45

Total amount received		\$27,513 45
Overdraft shown in 1936 report	\$131 32	
Overdraft in excess of amt. shown in 1936 report	16 08	
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		\$147 40
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Total amount available		\$27,366 05
Selectmen's Warrants paid		26,795 05
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Balance		\$571 00

## DELINQUENT TAXPAYERS

RESIDENT 1936			
Joe Brinzo	\$ 3 00	B. F. Savage	\$42 28
Walter Bump	3 00	Clint Staples	3 00
Waldo Bubier	52 15	Wallace Seavey	3 00
Delbert Cook	3 00	Durward Safford	1 04
Harold Cook	3 00	Roy Trask	3 00
Charles Coolong	4 86	Sam Trask	20 25
Fred Dyer	12 40	Hervey Vining	41 44
Ralph Flagg	9 51	James Vining	3 00
C. E. Gould	18 77	Hiram Vining	3 00
Sherm Grover	2 15	W. H. Vining	3 00
Montell Hinckley	3 00	Floyd Whitney	6 68
Ward Jackson	5 79	Alfred Weston	51 34
Mrs. Ward Jackson	1 55	Heirs of Augustus Weston	17 85
Wm. S. Kelley	7 34	Edwin White	19 70
Bernice Kelley	18 57	Everett Wilcox	4 55
Charles McDonald	50	John Wyman	2 30
Charles Mills	7 65	Burnham White	4 82
Delmont Merrill	3 00	Cecil White	3 00
Floyd Mitchell	158 20	Ralph Newell	3 00
Raymond Orbeton	3 00	Frank Douglass	1 86
Austin Phillips	3 00		<hr/>
Robert Orbeton	5 17		\$630 32
Erlon Richardson	39 56		
Benton Rowe	19 49		
Harry Ross	4 55		
		NON-RESIDENT 1936	
		Heirs of B. F. Beal	\$ 99 20



Chester Fairbanks and George Hunter	\$318 68
Chester Fairbanks	144 15
John Doe	31 00
Franklin Land and Lumber Co.	112 34
John Haggan	7 75
Mrs. I. R. Knight	6 20
Mary Newman	49 60
Flo. Philbrick	4 65
Charles Richards	74 09
Heirs of Dana Stinchfield	111 60
Heirs of Ed. Stinchfield	13 95
M. F. Toothaker	74 40
Mrs. M. T. Toothaker	4 65
C. H. McKenzie	48 20
G. Bernie Wilbur	5 00
D. L. Witham	6 85
Strong Water District	46 50
Ben Mitchell	25 00
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	\$1,183 81

RESIDENT 1935	
Waldo Bubier	\$14 66
Donald Chick	3 00
L. H. Grover	4 44
Ramon Hanson	8 15
Ralph Newell	13 60
Wayland Phillips	3 00
H. E. Vining	22 08
Wm. H. Vining	3 00
Hiram Vining	3 00
Ernest Williams	3 00
Floyd Whitney	14 88
Heirs of Augustus Weston	19 80
Roy Trask	3 00
Edwin Tyler	3 00
John Toothaker	3 00
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	\$121 61

RESIDENT 1934	
Fred Dyer	\$13 00
S. H. Grover	98
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	\$13 98

NON-RESIDENT 1934	
Marcus Neil	\$13 00

RESIDENT 1933	
Roy Trask	\$ 3 00
H. E. Vining	198 86
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	\$201 86

NON-RESIDENT 1933	
B. M. Landers	\$94 50
Mrs. M. T. Toothaker	28 35
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	\$122 85
Cost of collecting	\$13 49

RESIDENT 1932	
Wilfred Deraps	\$20 03
Henry Lake	5 13
Erlon Lake	3 00
Nettie Savage	4 55
Roy Trask	40
Fred Kenniston	22 53
H. E. Vining	49 86
Guy Welts	5 63
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	\$111 13

NON-RESIDENT 1932	
Mrs. M. T. Toothaker	\$19 10

RESIDENT 1931		NON-RESIDENT 1930	
Harold Beedy	\$3 92		
Wayland Phillips	3 00	Heirs of Dana	
H. E. Vining	7 59	Stinchfield	\$43 75
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	\$14 51		

## ABATEMENTS

Appropriation \$150 00

## EXPENDITURES

TO

D. W. Wells \$108 44  
C. A. Wing 301 42

Total \$409 86  
Overdrawn \$259 86

1936		1932	
Cliff Cushman (error in assessment)	\$ 1 24	Harold Beedy	\$3 00
Geo. True (over usu- al age limit)	3 00	Clarence Beedy	3 00
Lewis Smith (paid in Phillips)	3 00		<hr/>
Floyd Mitchell (error in assessment)	65 10		\$6 00
J. Blaine Morrison (error in assessment)	12 40	1931	
Wesley Hubbard (pd. in Strong)	9 30	Leo Kenniston	\$9 76
	<hr/>	1930	
	\$94 04	W. H. Bubier	\$ 17 55
Wm. Will (overpaid 1935 tax, cr. to 1936)	14 40	Wilfred Deraps	57 28
	<hr/>	Mrs. Ward Jackson	8 22
	\$108 44	R. R. Wilcox	101 25
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			\$184 30
1935		1929	
Audry Wilson (paid in Wilton )	\$3 00	Wilfred Deraps	\$62 36
		Austin Phillips	5 80
		R. R. Wilcox	30 20
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			\$98 36

# Vital Statistics

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*To the Selectmen of the Town of Avon:*

The following Births, Deaths and Marriages have been recorded by me for the year ending Mar. 1, 1937.

## BIRTHS

May 1, 1936, in Avon, to Mr. and Mrs. Lester Gould, a son, Conley Richard.

May 21, 1936, in Avon, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coolong, a daughter, Agnes May.

June 11, 1936, in Avon, to Frances E. Wyman, a son, Cecil Harry.

July 24, 1936, in Avon, to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Flagg, twin daughters, Zelda Mae and Zelma Fae.

Aug. 2, 1936, in Avon, to Mr. and Mrs. Basil Rowe, a daughter, Geraldine.

Sept. 15, 1936, in Avon, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Douglass, a son, Glenn Lester.

Nov. 7, 1936, in Avon, to Mr. and Mrs. Cecil White, a daughter, Julia Ellen.

Nov. 13, 1936, in Avon, to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Wilcox, a son, Nolan Clifford.

Dec. 16, 1936, in Avon, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter Bachelder, a son, Walter Roger.

Jan. 13, 1937, in Avon, to Mr. and Mrs. Rex Raymond, a son, Rupert Chester.

Jan. 22, 1937, in Avon, to Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Moody, a daughter, Josephine Wallis.

Feb. 13, 1937, in Avon, to Mr. and Mrs. Elbridge Vining, a son, Elbridge Winfield Jr.

## MARRIAGES

April 27, 1936, Phillips, Me., by Rev. F. S. Williamson, Abial Edwin Tyler of Avon and Carrie I. Sampson of Phillips.

May 16, 1936, Farmington, Me., by Rev. A. G. Henderson, Vinton Voter and Pauline Cushman, both of Avon.

July 3, 1936, Farmington, Me., by Currier Holman, Justice of the Peace, Waldo Bubier of Avon and Laura A. Wallace of Phillips.

July 11, 1936, Mexico, Me., by Rev. John Hunt, Phillip Weston of Avon and Hellen Walker of Strong.

Aug. 1, 1936, Farmington, Me., by A. G. Henderson, Victor McLaughlin of Madrid and Shirley Flagg of Avon.

Sept. 26, 1936, Avon, Me., by Elijah Mercer, J. Walter Bacheller and Vilda Moody, both of Avon.

Oct. 6, 1936, Phillips, Me., by James B. Ross, Bainbridge Colby Prescott of Phillips and Vivian Rachel Flagg of Avon.

Nov. 25, 1936, Phillips, Me., by Harry E. Bowman, Edward Joseph Gilchrist of Phillips and Maxine Edith Hinkley of Avon.

## DEATHS

April 30, 1936, in Avon, George Everett Cook, aged 34 years, 11 mos., 7 days.

Sept. 12, 1936, in Augusta, Me., Elbridge Marston, aged 75 years, 5 mos., 1 day.

ETTA A. STINCHFIELD, *Town Clerk of Avon.*

## Report of Union Health Officer

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During 1936 there were reported in Avon 65 cases of mumps, 54 of measles, 10 of German measles, five of whooping cough, three of chickenpox and 4 of pneumonia.

211 visits were made to 149 individuals on account of communicable disease.

Twenty-three were given toxoid, three were vaccinated and one was given a tuberculin test.

With Miss Barry two infant and preschool conferences were held, 43 being present.

Miss Barry also made four home calls on infants and 10 to preschool children.

One citizen attend the monthly chest clinic at the hospital.

July 1st, a sanitary engineer was added to our staff by the State Bureau of Health and all sanitary problems are cared for by him.

When the work of the Union was started in 1930 the Commonwealth Fund agreed to assist on a decreasing basis for five years that the towns might have the opportunity to decide for themselves that by joining forces that even a group of towns might have a rounded health service at a cost that was within their resources.

Due to a slow start the Fund for the first two years assumed the full expenditure and has continued its assistance on a decreasing basis 21 months after the original time had elapsed.

We are confident that the towns will wish to have the work continue.

Very sincerely yours,

B. L. ARMS, M. D.,  
*Director Cooperative Health Union.*

# Report of Superintendent of Schools

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*To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of the Town of Avon:*

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

It is a pleasure for me to present to you my fifth annual report of the condition and progress of the schools of your town that are under my supervision.

INSTRUCTION: We have the same teaching force as that of last year and I feel that on the whole the instruction is well given. Our school year covers a period of 36 weeks, making a school year equal to that of the towns surrounding us, and with the equal quantity of instruction there is no reason why our boys and girls should not go to high school with a preparation equal to that offered in any town of a like type. Fortunately, our schools have been interrupted by few contagious diseases and our attendance during this year has been exceptionally good.

FINANCES: Last year we had enrolled in our schools in town 19 boys and 21 girls, making a total of 40. We have enrolled in the elementary schools of Phillips 36 boys and girls and in the high school 14 students. The elementary school youngsters pay a tuition of \$.75 per week, while the high school boys and girls have to pay \$74 per year. Of the elementary children going to the Phillips schools we convey 21 of them. This conveyance is provided at a rate of \$11 per week. We have three children who are provided for (because of the fact of unsatisfactory arrangements for conveyance) at a rate of \$3 per week per pupil. We also have four pupils going to the elementary schools of Strong. Three are conveyed at an expense of \$2 per week and one at \$2. In the conveyance and board for those pupils attending school outside of Avon the average cost per week is \$.88 per child. This is far from being an unreasonable amount for this department.

Last year we paid to the Town of Phillips for high school students and elementary pupils the sum of \$1,780.25, paying up to July 1, 1936.

This took care of 40 elementary grade youngsters and 14 high school boys and girls. This is a fixed charge and one that can in no way be economized on. This amount will probably not be less during the coming year. A year ago it was outlined in this report that with an appropriation of \$2,800 it would be possible for us to pay the charges that would be made against the School Fund. This appropriation was cut to \$2,500 and as we cannot cut our teachers' salaries, cannot cut on conveyance and certainly cannot cut on books and supplies, we must necessarily overdraw our account. It seems to us that it would be just as well to raise the amount of money needed to pay these bills as it would be to have an overdraft in this account. Appropriations are not asked for with the thought in mind of extravagance but the amount asked for is only the amount actually needed. It has never been the policy of your superintendent to ask for an unreasonably large appropriation, feeling that it would be cut down. Only that amount which was actually needed has ever been asked for and when this is cut down as it was last year the results can be nothing else than an overdraft.

Following this report is our financial statement. This has been made to be in agreement with the Selectmen's report and we are not charging to this account the amount of tuition that is due to the towns of Phillips and Strong, as these have not as yet been paid by the town. If these bills were paid as they are now due, it would mean a very sizeable overdraft in our school account but we cannot see the advisability of charging these accounts to the school fund year after year when they are not paid by the towns. Last year in the annual report these items were not entered even as liabilities.

Now if during the coming year we are to continue to be one term behind on the payment of our tuition we will not need to raise an amount larger than \$3,000 but if we plan to bring our tuition bills up to date it will mean an appropriation of \$3,900.

**TEXTBOOKS AND SUPPLIES:** Under the item of textbooks we have this year expended the sum of \$61.72. It was pointed out in the last report that we were badly in need of new texts and when it is taken into consideration that this amounts to \$1.54 per year per child and that the average book costs about \$.80 and that its average life is three years, this is far from an exorbitant sum. We have purchased new English books and Spellers and have added to our supplementary traders and replaced worn-out texts.

In the supply account we have expended the sum of \$35.92 and have been able to provide the boys and girls with paper, pencils, pens,

ink, drawing paper, chalk, etc., at an average cost of about \$.70 per pupil. We also have to take from this fund Avon's small share of the expense of the office of the superintendent. This year this sum has amounted to \$5.90 to include postage, telephone, stationery, mimeograph supplies, etc.

REPAIRS: Our school buildings at present are in a very good condition. We have made one small expenditure for their upkeep during the past year and for the coming year there are no immediate needs. It would greatly increase the lighting of both schools if it were possible for us to whiten the ceilings. The ceiling and walls in the Valley School are very much discolored and to tint these would mean only a small expense. In last year's report under this account there was an error of crediting the sum of \$100 to this appropriation. It should have been \$50 and our account in the book instead of showing an unexpended balance of \$19.98 should have been an overdraft of \$30.02. This year however the town appropriated \$25 and as the following statement shows, we have an unexpended balance of \$5.02.

RECOMMENDATIONS: As has already been stated, an appropriation of \$3,000 will be sufficient to continue, being one term behind on the payment of our tuition. If we are to bring these bills up to date, an appropriation of \$3,900 will be necessary.

For repairs no appropriation is absolutely necessary but you should want to increase the attractiveness and cleanliness of the interiors of your buildings. An appropriation of \$50 would make it possible for us to do this.

In closing this report I would like to say that of course the efficiency of our schools cannot always be measured by the amount of money they cost but necessarily a report of this kind has to point out needs and defects that may be provided for and the others eliminated that we may have a healthy growth and improvement in our school system.

Respectfully submitted,

T. A. DECOSTA.



# FINANCIAL STATEMENT

YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1937

## SCHOOL FUND

### RESOURCES

Appropriated	\$2,500 00	
State School Fund	1,253 70	
State Equalization Fund	68 00	
	<hr/>	\$3,821 70

### EXPENDITURES

Teachers	\$1,041 00	
Fuel	49 15	
Janitors	12 00	
Conveyance	454 20	
Tuition (Common School)	599 25	
Tuition (High School)	648 50	
Board of Pupils	286 50	
Textbooks	61 82	
Supplies	35 92	
	<hr/>	\$3,188 34
Overdraft, February, 1936		503 72
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		\$3,692 06
Unexpended, March 1, 1937		\$127 64

### TUITION OUTSTANDING, PAYABLE JULY 1

Town of Phillips:		
Elementary	\$416 25	
Secondary	540 00	
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Town of Strong:		
Elementary	\$ 11 25	
Secondary	188 20	
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		\$1,155 70

## DETAILED EXPENDITURES

## TEACHERS

Thelma Hammond	\$504 00	
Adeline Hewitt	504 00	
Henry Richardson	33 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,041 00

## FUEL

McLain Wood Products Corp.	\$ 1 40	
T. A. DeCosta	1 50	
Theodore Beal	45 00	
Adeline Hewitt	1 25	
	<hr/>	\$49 15

## JANITORS

Floyd Whitney	\$9 00	
Phebe Beal	3 00	
	<hr/>	\$12 00

## CONVEYANCE

Cecil Voter	\$130 00	
Rex Raymond	236 50	
Birdena Duley	56 25	
Maine Mutual Auto. Ins. Co.	17 45	
Percy Cook	14 00	
	<hr/>	\$454 20

## TUITION

Town of Phillips (Common School)	\$567 75	
Town of Phillips (High School)	453 50	
Town of Strong (Common School)	31 50	
Town of Strong (High School)	195 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,247 75

## BOARD OF PUPILS

J. E. Noble		\$286 50
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## TEXTBOOKS

World Book Co.	\$ 2 08	
American Book Co.	15 60	
D. C. Heath & Co.	14 78	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	8 82	
Silver, Burdett & Co.	2 28	
Ginn & Co.	7 80	
Iroquois Publishing Co.	4 76	
Lyons and Carnahan	5 70	
	<hr/>	\$61 82

## SUPPLIES

C. F. Chandler & Son	\$ 3 50	
Maine Public Health Ass'n.	42	
J. L. Hammett Co.	13 56	
The Barton Press	2 20	
The Papercrafters, Inc.	2 50	
Edward E. Babb & Co., Inc.	5 80	
Gledhill Bros. Inc.	41	
The Mail-Order Supply Co.	70	
J. W. Russell	3 57	
T. A. DeCosta	5 90	
Loring, Short & Harmon	93	
	<hr/>	\$35 92

## REPAIRS

Appropriation		\$25 00
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## EXPENDITURES

Phillips Hardware Co.	\$12 22	
Overdrawn, 1936	30 02	
	<hr/>	\$42 24
Overdrawn, March 1, 1937		\$17 25