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ANNUAL REPORT

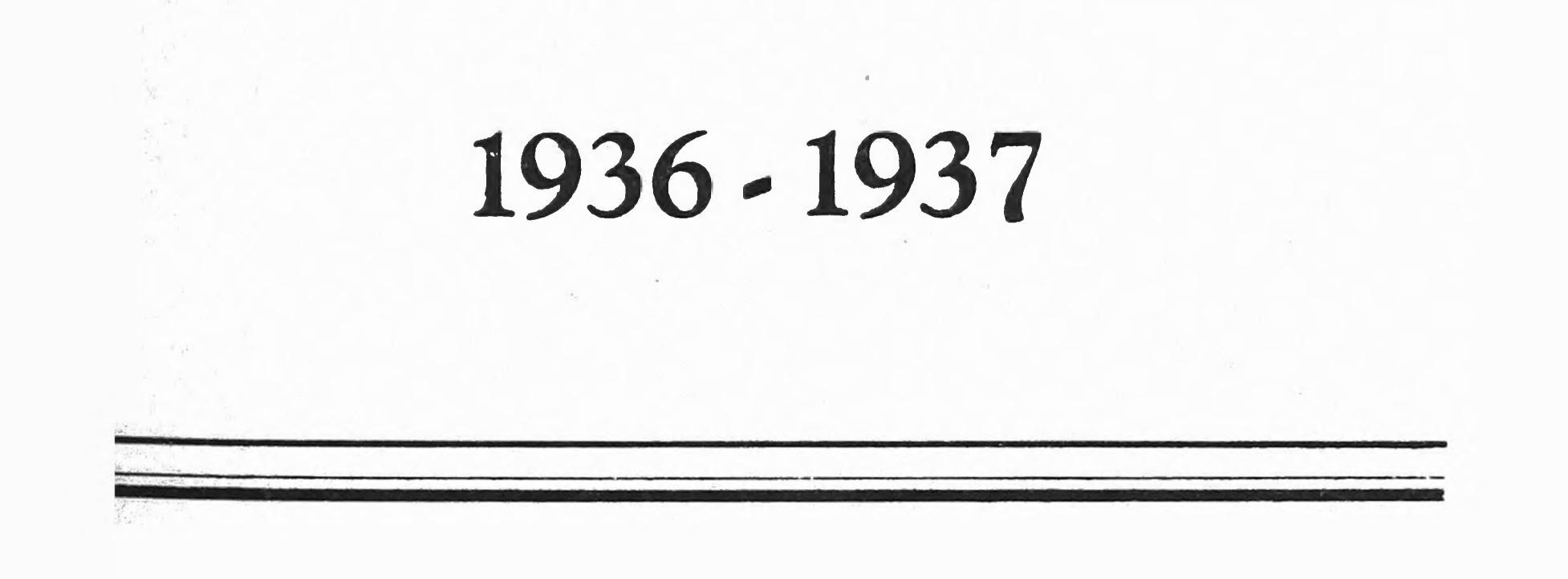
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MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

OF THE TOWN OF

MACHIAS

FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR



Annual Report

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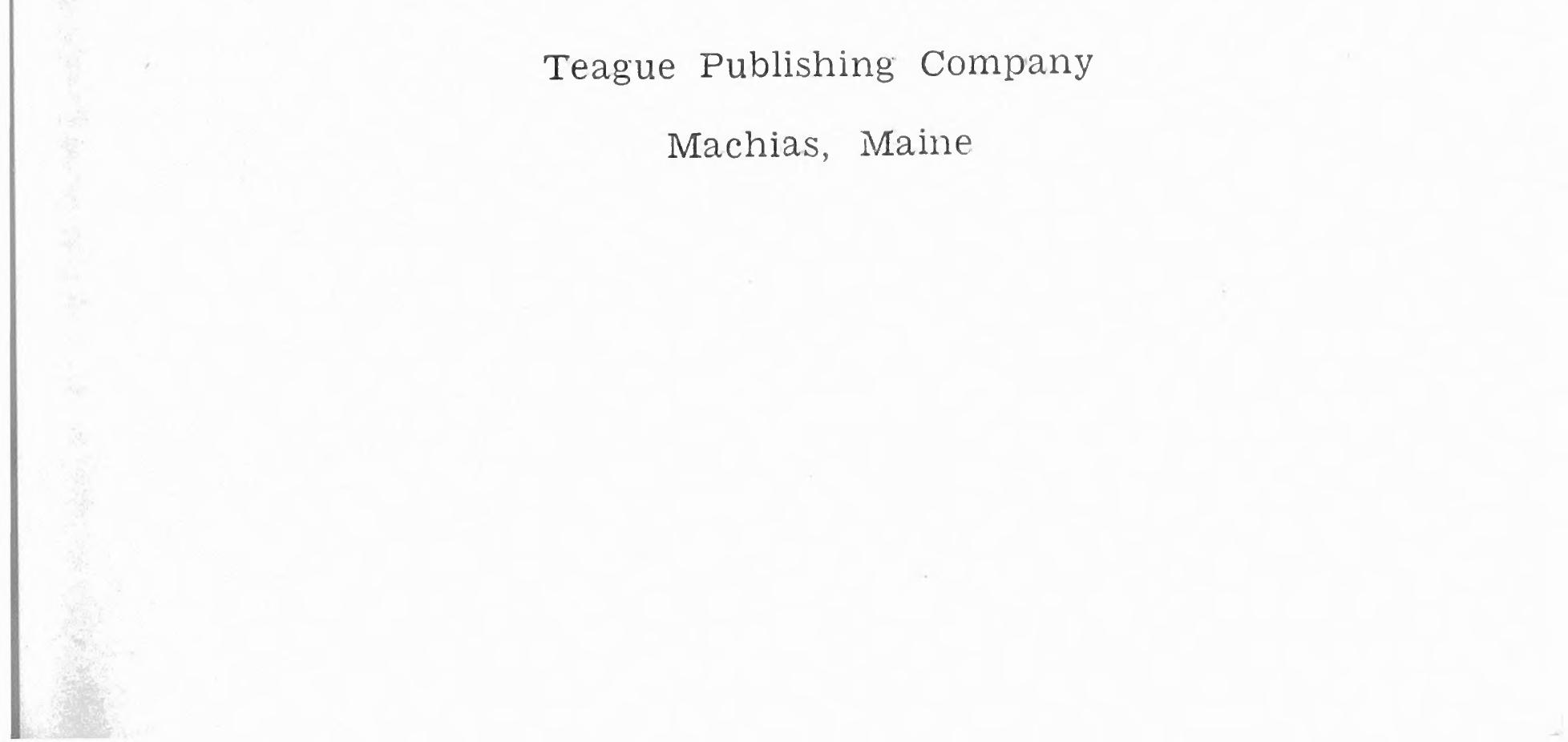
Municipal Officers

OF THE TOWN OF

Machias

For the Municipal Year

1936 - 1937



BUDGET COMMITTEE REPORT

Realizing that the taxable valuations in our town are reduced over thirty thousand dollars from 1936-37 and also realizing the difficulty in collecting some of the taxes, necessity demands economy in expenditures for the coming year. We recommend the following appropriations for our annual Town Meeting on March 22, in order to keep within a 6% limit.

Art. 3	Schools, Books and Appliances	\$11,750.00
	Poor	5,000.00
	Fire Department	900.00

		Water Service	1,731.00
		Street Lighting	1,700.00
		Sidewalks	250.00
		Repair Town Buildings	200.00
		Discount on Taxes	00.008
		Town Officers (See list*)	1,720.24
		Mother's Aid	270.00
		Repairs on School Building	700.00
		Unpaid bills of 1936-37	100.00
Art.	5	State Aid Road 2 x \$533	1,066.00
	6	State Aid Road Maintenance	905.00
	7	Third Class Road Maintenance	105.00
	9	Porter Memorial Library Ass'n.	700.00
	10	Memorial Day	15.00
	11	Interest on Loans	500.00
	12	Pay Last Note of old Town Debt	1,000.00
	15	Washington County Anti-Tuberculosis	75.00
	17	Insurance on Town Buildings	550.00
	18	Snow Removal	300.00
	19	Longfellow Cemetery	50.00
	20	Court Street Cemetery	50.00
	21	Roads and Bridges	1,800.00
	22		75.00
	25	Connect Sewer on High St. No Recomm	nendation
	26		20.00
	29	Repairing Freemont Street	150.00

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- 30 Repair Road leading from Route 1
 to Marshfield Line on Old Road leading to
 East Machias
 100.00
- 31 Repair Road from West Kennebec SchoolHouse to Marstons Point400.00
- 32 Construct a sewer from Dublin St. to River No Recommendation
- 34 Repair Upper Water St. from West Street to A. Foss 150.00

\$33,132.24

*List of Salaries for Town Officers:
3 Selectmen-overseers and assessors \$800.00
Treasurer 150.00
Tax Collector 300.00
Supt. of Schools 470.24

\$1,720.24

- L. J. SEXTON,
- F. S. AMES,
- F. T. HIGGINS

Budget Committee



TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN

Isaac S. Heaton

Frank W. Stimson

Frank P. Day

TOWN CLERK Richard L. Hanscom

> TREASURER Horace E. Bell

ASSESSORS

Isaac S. Heaton

Frank W. Stimson

Frank P. Day

AUDITOR Warren M. Hill

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Philip Reynolds

Warren M. Hill

Alton Bagley

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Leroy W. Moan

TAX COLLECTOR Alvah Randall

ROAD COMMISSIONER

James Clemons

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Frank P. Day

Frank W. Stimson

BUDGET COMMITTEE

F. S. Ames

L. J. Sexton

Warren M. Hill

TRUANT OFFICER

Malcolm Clark

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES Allen Hill

TOWN VALUATION

Real Estate Personal Estate \$595,851.00 129,514.00

\$44,682.45

1,575.00

\$725,365.00

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Tax Rate .0616 on \$725,365.00 525 Polls @ \$3.00

Commitment Supplementary Tax \$46,257.45 50.79

\$46,308.24

LIST OF APPROPRIATIONS 1936

Schools	\$12,500.00
Poor Department	6,000.00
Fire Department	1,000.00
Water Service	1,931.00
Street Lights	1,700.00
Sidewalks	100.00
Repairs on town buildings	200.00
Discount on taxes	800.00
Town officers	1,550.00
Mothers Aid	120.00
Repairs on School Buildings	400.00
Unpaid bills (account of poor)	1,968.36
Unpaid bills (general)	1,485.32

1,066.00 State Aid road (construction) State Aid road (patrol fund) 896.50 105.00Third Class road (maintenance) 700.00 Public Library 40.00 Memorial Day Interest on Town Debt 500.00 Payment on Town Debt 1,000.00 Tuberculosis Ass'n. 75.00

Insurance on Town Buildings	546.50	
Snow Removal	300.00	
Longfellow Cemetery	50.00	
Court Street Cemetery	50.00	
Roads and Bridges	1,300.00	
Cutting Bushes	75.00	
Band Concerts	100.00	•.
West Kennebec Cemetery	50.00	
Boiler for High School Building	700.00	
Seats for High School Building	500.00	
Gravel for East Kennebec Road	100.00	

Total\$37,908.68State Tax\$5,730.36County Tax2,708.77446,347.81\$46,347.81Less error in computing commitment90.36Commitment as adjusted\$46,257.45REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

Commitment Supplementary

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\$46,257.45 50.79

\$46,308.24

Excise Tax Back Taxes for 1935 2,358.45 69.38

\$48,736.07

Cash to Treas. acct. Commitment Cash to Treas. acct. Supplement Cash to Treas. acct. Excise Tax

\$42,750.55 50.79 2,358.45

Cash to Treas. acct. Taxes 1935	ø	69.38	
			\$45,229.17
Discount on Taxes		\$813.52	
Abatements		181.90	
			\$995.42
			\$46,224.59
			•
Total Uncollected			\$2,511.48
Less Tax Liens			514.74

\$1,996.74

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LIST OF UNPAID TAXES (1935)

Hall Hanscom & Co.	\$58.45
Thomas W. Foss	5.90
Edward E. Blodgett	3.00
Maurice Foss	3.00
Melvin Foss	3.00
John W. Hall	3.00
Lawrence Johnson	1.00
Morrill Morse	3.00
Frank Reid	3.00
Lowell F. Smith	3.00
Hovey Kilton	1.95
Samuel Watts	1.48
Carl Armstrong	.95

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Total

\$90.73

UNCOLLECTED TAXES 1936-1937

Mrs. Marie Wass Estate G. M. Mawhinney \$110.88 73.72

Mrs. Beatrice Allen	65.46
Joseph G. Albee Heirs	48.06
Mary J. Barstow Heirs	29.26
Lowell Smith	24.64
Mrs. Mable Kilton	15.60
Joseph L. Hall	18.48
David B. Hatt Heirs	18.48
Laura E. Bowers	15.40
Clarence Ellsmore	15.40
William Lynn Estate	13.86
Albert L. Hatt	12.94
Carl Armstrong	12.32
Elmer Hall	12.32
Mrs. Julia Hurley Heirs	9.24
Winfred Johnson	9.24
Frank Marston Heirs	9.24
Lester S. Crane	1,857.04
Hall Hanscom & Co.	61.60
James McDonald Jr.	11.48
Carl Armstrong	6.08
G. M. Mawhinney	5.16
*Joseph H. Albee	3.00
Willis Foss	3.00
Ralph Clark	1.54
Arthur E. Foss	3.00
Willis O. Foss	3.00
*Earl Foss	3.00
*Percy Hooper	3.00

Lawrence Johnson	3.00
Harry Johnson	3.00
Winfred Johnson	3.00
Joseph Mealey	3.00
*Hollis Morse	3.00
Malcolm McBride	3.00
George McEachern	3.00

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*James Roberts	3.00	
Lowell F. Smith	3.00	
Charles Vane	3.00	
Percy Wood	3.00	
Wilbert Whynot	1.92	
Eldred Bryant	.92	
		\$2,511.48
Less Tax Liens		514.74
		\$1,996.74

* Paid since books closed.

TAX LIENS 1935-1936

Total tax liens to be collected	\$1,144.43
Colon Farnsworth	\$10.35
Harriett N. Tupper	13.30
Marie Wass Estate	20.00
Jesse Davis	8.30
Roy Day	25.00
Henry Kilton	10.00
Mary J. Barstow Estate	29.53
David B. Hatt Estate	19.20
Henry Kilton	12.00
Marie Wass Estate	40.00

Henry Kilton	9.00
Winfred Johnson	7.77
Marie Wass Estate	14.25
Clarence Blyther	4.23
William Lynn Estate	14.38
Austin L. White	16.10
William Lynn Estate	.40

Mary L. Lynn	.22	
Collected		\$257.02
Uncollected		\$887.4
TAX LIENS	- 1937	
Mrs. Marie Wass Estate	\$110.88	
G. M. Mawhinney	73.92	
Mrs. Beatrice Allen	65.46	
Joseph G. Albee Heirs	48.06	
Mary J. Barstow Heirs	29.26	
Lowell Smith	24.64	
Mrs. Mabel Kilton	15.60	
Joseph L. Hall	18.48	
David B. Hatt Heirs	18.48	
Laura Bowers	15.40	4
Clarence Ellsmore	15.40	
William Lynn Estate	13.86	
Albert Hatt	12.94	
Carl Armstrong	12.32	
Elmer E. Hall	12.32	
Mrs. Julia Hurley Heirs	9.24	
Winfred Johnson	9.24	
Frank Marston Heirs	9.24	

Uncollected

\$514.74

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Total uncollected

\$1,402.16

LIST OF ABATEMENTS FOR 1936-1937

Reynolds Furniture Co., overvalue\$38.50A. L. Jones, unable to pay39.96

George Grafton, Heirs unable to pay	16.94
Mrs. Mary Bowers, unable to pay	12.32
Mrs. Susie Butler, overvalued	12.32
Mrs. Harriett Tupper, overvalued	12.32
William Hudson, overvalued	1.54
Morrill Armstrong, deceased	3.00
William B. Bailey, not a resident	3.00
Leonard Elwell, paid in Machiasport	3.00
Elmer Gay, paid in Brooks	3.00
David M. Merritt, left town	3.00
Morrill Morse, in Portland	3.00

Stillman Ray, paid in Eastport 3.00 Ira Packard, paid in Searsmont 3.00 Walter Reynolds, unable to pay 3.00 Ray Reynolds, unable to pay 3.00Everett Ayers, unable to pay 3.00 Ernest Handy, unable to pay 3.00 Arthur Cook, in Eastport 3.00 Karl McRae, unable to pay 3.00 Frank Reid, unable to pay 3.00William H. Wass, deceased 3.00

Total

\$181.90

TAX DEEDS

Claims to be collected	\$377.50
Jonathan Wallace	\$14.33
Mary J Barstow Estate	26 13

Mary J. Darsuw Listale	20.10
David B. Hatt Estate	67.78
Winfred Johnson	2.23
Collected	110.47
Uncollected	267.03

\$377.50

REPORT OF TREASURER

Received from previous treasurer viz.

Balance Merrill Trust Co.\$59.88Balance Eastern Trust & Bkg. Co.28.92

\$88.80

 Received acct. Taxes 1936-37
 42,750.55

 Supplementary tax
 50.79

 Unpaid Taxes 1935-36
 69.38

	*		
	Excise Taxes	2,358.45	
			\$45,229.17
Received	d from State		
Received	d acct. Paupers	950.92	
	Public Library	49.00	
	State Aid Highways	3,941.88	
	Tax on Bank Stock	304.03	
	Schools (Agriculture)	225.00	
	Schools Equalization Fund	540.00	

\$6,010.83

Received from Miscellaneous Sources viz.

Loans, Machias Savings Bank	\$8,000.00
Other Towns acct. Tuition	3,234.00
Dog Taxes	162.50
Tax Liens	257.01
Tax Deeds	110.47
Licenses	55.00
Reimbursements acct. Town a	id 74.50
Town Addison acct poor	10.88
Town of Cherryfield acct. poor	37.31
Town Columbia Falls acct. poo	or 47.63
Town Centerville acct. poor	25.69
Dr. J. F. Hanson, tarvia	47.63

Grover K. Coffin, tarvia	6.75
Use of Grader	56.49
Harry Gilson acct. Library	17.60
Other Towns acct. School Repairs	74.34
Unclassified	851.77

\$13,067.47

Total Receipts Selectmens Orders Paid \$64,393.27 \$61,702.19

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RECONCILIATION OF CASH BALANCE

Balance on Deposit Eastern T. & B. Co.\$1,656.03Balance on Deposit Merrill Trust Co.1,038.05

\$2,694.08

State School Fund of \$2,579.51 was offset by State Controller against the State Tax.

FRED E. AND EMMA HOVEY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Amount of Fund Interest on same \$5,000.00 125.00

Expenditures

Paid Philip L. Bagley\$113.00Emily Bradbury bond premiums12.00Deposited with Machias Savings Bank5,000.00

\$5,125.00

ANNETTE O'BRIEN WALKER FUND

Amount of Fund

Deposited with Machias Savings Bank

\$6,000.00 \$6,000.00

INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOANS

Selectmens Orders Drawn

\$187.08

Overdraft to net Debt

\$187.08

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Assets: \$2,694.08 Cash in hands of Treasurer \$90.73 Unpaid Taxes 1935-36 1,996.74 Unpaid Taxes 1936-37 \$2,087.47 Unredeemed Tax Deeds 267.03 Tax Liens 1935-36 887.42 514.74 Tax Liens 1936-37 \$1,402.15 Due from Other Towns viz.

Town of Marion, tuition Town of Marion support of poor Town of Gorham, support of poor Town of Whitneyville, use fire truck Town of Centerville, support of poor Town of Wesley, tuition Town of Roque Bluffs tuition Town of Machiasport, tuition

\$20.00 7.2041.45 15.00 146.49 200.00 150.00 100.00

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Normal School Donartmont

1 000 00

Normal School Department	1,900.00
Uncollected Tuition	510.00
Unexpended carried to 1937-38	1,027.65

\$3,437.65

\$9,437.65

STATEMENT OF TOWN DEBT

Town Debt as per report 1935-36	\$7,723.02
Add:	
Error statement of above (see report 1935-36) .01	
Unpaid Bills 1935 not reported 742.81	
Dog Tax Deficiency 1935 7.00	
Tax Lien Adjustment 1935 16.10	
Town of Whitneyville, charged off 3.58	
Town of East Machias, charged off 25.00	
From in Tax Commitment 1026 00.26	

Error in Tax Commitment 19369Unexpended balance, School Fund57Adjustment of am't due acct. Tuition 193540Abatements, Taxes 193618

90.36 578.18 400.00 181.90

\$2,044.94

\$9,767.95

Deduct:

Error in Tax Deeds Report 1935-36	\$30.59
Unpaid Bills Appropriation	3,700.03
Town Debt Appropriation	1,000.00
Adelia Reeves Adjustment	34.10
Tax Liens Adjustment 1935	23.65
Town of Columbia Falls, charged off	.09
Unexpended balances of Appropriation	
1936-37	2,712.73

\$7,501.19

Net Debt as of March 10, 1937

\$2,266.77

SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATION BALANCE

Unexpended viz:	
Contingent Fund (no appropriation)	\$1,700.06
State Aid Road Construction	53.50
State Aid Road Maintenance	276.40
Street Lights	141.63
Snow Removal	91.17
East Kennebec Road	1.75
Fire Department	83.42
Water Service	182.25
Repairs town buildings	26.84

Interest on Town Debt Insurance Town Buildings Memorial Day Support of Poor 190.7522.8225.001,267.07

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\$4,062.66

Overdrawn viz: Roads and Bridges

\$286.96

Sidewalks	47.75
Cutting Bushes	.40
Repairs to School Buildings	88.53
High School Boiler and Seats	41.54
Interest on Temporary Loan (no app.)	187.08
Discount on Taxes	13.52
Town Officers	224.70
West Kennebec Cemetery	1.40
Unpaid Bills Appropriation	286.20
Adelia Reeves (no appropriation)	171.85

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\$1,349.93

Balance to Town Debt

\$2,712.73

CONTINGENT FUND

Credits:	
Excise Taxes	\$2,069.39
Licenses	55.00
Bank Stock Tax	304.03
Dog Licenses	149.00
R. R. & Tel. Tax	111.59
Supplementary Taxes	50.79
State Paupers	227.27
Dog Licenses	13.50
Excise Taxes	289.06
Miscellaneous	46.76

\$3,316.39

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Debits: Printing & Notices Office Supplies Office Equipment Lights Town Office Fuel Town Office

and the set of

\$217.95 205.52174.50 9.00 12.50

18.48	
120.00	
40.00	
101.37	
12.38	
34.06	
63.70	
29.32	
573.05	
	$120.00 \\ 40.00 \\ 101.37 \\ 12.38 \\ 34.06 \\ 63.70 \\ 29.32$

Selectmens Orders Drawn

\$1,616.33

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\$1,700.06

STATE AID ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Unexpended 1935	\$1,591.04
Appropriation	1,066.00
Received from State	2,025.40
Received from State acct. Third Class Roads	325.44
Third Class Road Maintenance balance transferre	ed 63.00
	\$5,070.88
Selectmens Orders Drawn \$5,019.36	
Less Adjustment acct. Roads & Bridges 1.98	

\$5,017.38

Unexpended to Net Debt

\$53.50

STATE AID ROAD MAINTENANCE

Appropriation

10

Selectmens Orders Drawn

\$896.50

\$620.10

Unexpended to Net Debt

276.40

\$896.50

ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation \$1,300.00 46.53 Received from Dr. Hanson, tarvia 6.75 Received from Grover Coffin, tarvia

Received from use of Grader 1,697.09 Selectmens Orders Drawn Overdraft to net Debt

\$1,697.09

56.85

286.96

THIRD CLASS ROAD MAINTENANCE

Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn Balance to State Aid Road \$105.00

\$42.00 63.00

\$105.00

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn Unexpended to net Debt

\$1,558.37 141.63

\$1,700.00

\$1,700.00

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn Unexpended to net Debt \$300.00

\$208.83 91.17

\$300.00

SIDEWALKS

Appropriation

Selectmens Orders Drawn Overdraft to net Debt \$100.00

147.75

47.75

\$147.75

CUTTING BUSHES

Appropriation\$75.00Selectmens Orders Drawn\$75.40Overdraft to net Debt.40

\$75.40

EAST KENNEBEC ROAD

Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn Unexpended to net Debt

\$100.00 \$98.25 1.75

\$100.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

\$1,000.00 Appropriation Received from Whitneyville 15.00 Selectmens Orders Drawn \$931.58 83.42 Unexpended to net Debt

\$1,015.00

WATER SERVICE

19

Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn Unexpended to net Debt

\$1,931.00

\$1,748.75 182.25

\$1,931.09

REPAIRS TO TOWN BUILDINGS

\$200.00 Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn \$173.16 Unexpended to net Debt 26.84

\$200.00

INTEREST ON TOWN DEBT

Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn Unexpended to net Debt

\$309.25 190.75

\$500.00

\$500.00

DISCOUNT ON TAXES

Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn Overdraft to net Debt

	\$800.00
813.52	
	13.52

\$813.52

INSURANCE TOWN BUILDINGS

Appropriation

Selectmens Orders Drawn Unexpended to net Debt \$546.40

\$523.68

22.82

\$546.40

TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn Overdraft to net Debt \$1,550.09

\$1,774.70

10.00

224.70

\$1,774.70

MOTHER'S AID

Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn

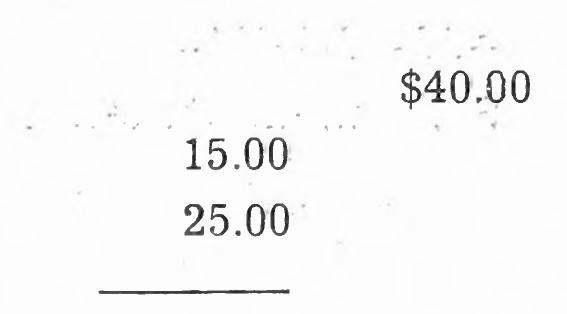
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MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn Unexpended to net Debt

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\$40.00

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Appropriation\$700.00Received from State49.00Selectmens Orders Drawn749.00\$749.00\$749.00

ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS ASS'N.

Appropriation

\$75.00

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Selectmens Orders Drawn

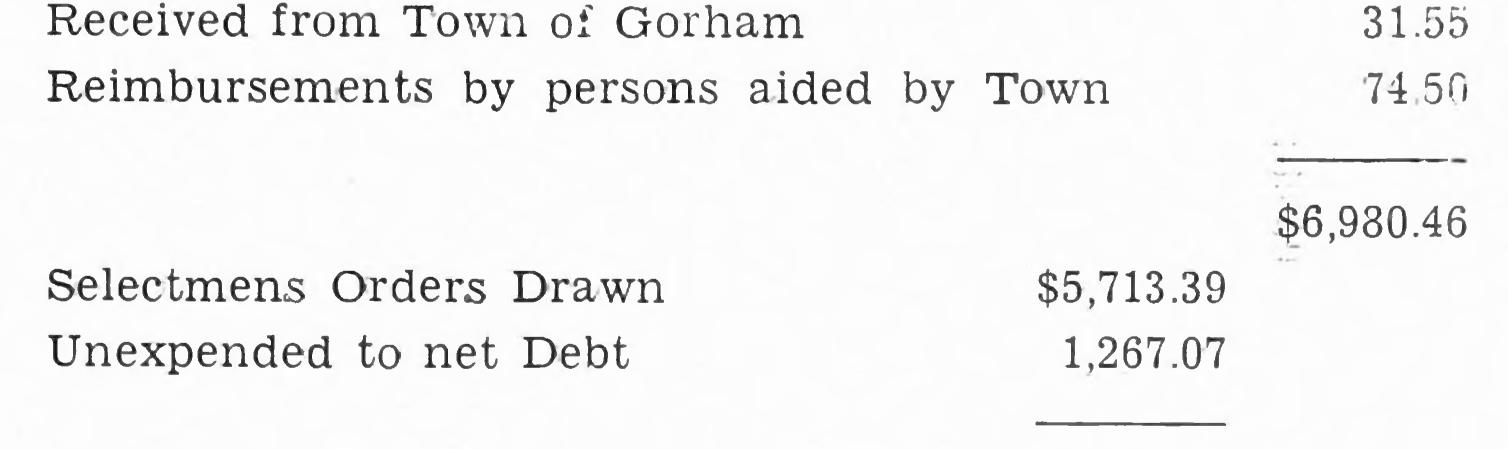
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LONGFELLOW CEMETERY

Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn \$50.00 \$50.00

SUPPORT OF POOR

Appropriation	\$6,000.00
Received from State of Maine	724.15
Received from Town of Addison	15.11
Received from Town of Centerville	59.42
Received from Town of Columbia Falls	38.42
Received from Town of Cherryfield	37.31



\$6,980.46

	Groceries	Clothing	Rent	Medical 46.15	Hospital	Trans. 10.60	Board	Miscel. 251.60	Total \$1,056.26
Lowell Reed	\$625.68	26.23	96.00	40.10		10.00	69.00		69.00
Transients			25.00	17.90				1.00	86.96
Wm. Reynolds	43.06		20.00	12.00				3.00	154.39
Soldiers Aid	139.39			37.25				6.00	199.45
Trafton Gardner	156.20								28.82
John I. Hall	28.82	4.00		29.40				1.00	123.96
Paul Davis	89.56 220.29	29.34		12.55				7.75	270.93
George Todd Fred Gilman	155.00			6.25					161.25
	156.64	4.00	80.00					4.00	244.64
Sam Floyd Soldiers Aid	148.13	3.58	105.00	1.50				31.50	289.71
Lillian Lowell	60.96								60.96
Harley Kilton	4.02								4.02
Arthur Moore	204.69	6.55		6.75				14 00	231.99
Herbert Hatt	191.62	26.98	30.00	7.00				4.00	259.60 35.01
Agnes Blyther	35.01								47.48
Wm. Schenks	47.48								35.75
Charles Myers	30.75		5.00				10.00		10.00
Sam Preston							10.00		15.00
John Foss			15.00						30.26
Wm. Demons	30.26								27.00
Irving Calor				27.00					116.93
Irving Harmon	84.43	3.00		29.50				5.00	48.58
Wm. Vane	43.58							0.00	52.11
Freely Johnson	7.14		45.00					2.61	2.51
Miscellaneous									37.80
Clarence Dorr	37.80							1.00	40.38
Alton Foss	39.38								17.89
Norman Davis	17.89			3.20					3.20
Beryl Roberts Wm. Hurlburt	17.29			44.40					61.69
Win. Huriburt	4.65								4.65 4 85
Benjamin Foss Elsie Foss	4 86 8.13						57.97		8.13 57.97
Esther Foss							61.01		61.01
Philip Henry							52.43		52.43
Alice McEachern							61.38		61.38
Sarah McEachern							36.67		36.67
Clarence Ellsmore	24.23							1.00	24.23
Alzena Andrews							21.20	1.00	-100
Phil Guptill							53.92		21.20
Pauline McEachern			5	0.00			00.94		53.92
Walter Reynolds				2.00	109.80		40.00	4.00	111.80
Fred Pine				40.15	74.00		40.00	1.00	158.15
Herbert Ellsmore	27.62								27.62
Soldiers Aid	8.65								8.65
George Hatt	81.52			4.00					81.52
Ray Reynolds				4.00	96.50				100.50 31.34
A. L. Jones	31.34								31.34 17.04
Harry Johnson	15.94	1.10		0.00					2.00
Charles Vane Ambrose Demons				2.00 3.00					3.00
George McRae				3.00				15.00	179.29
Emery Hatt	78.42	15.20	67.67	5.85				10.00	13.67
Zetta Marston	7.82	14.05		5.85 3.00					154.36
Dermont Getchell	137.11	14.25	00.00	3.00 .60				3.00	185.64
Hovey Kilton	149.04		33.00	.00				3.00	24.00
Page Boys	24.00 2.50	7.13		1.50		5.66	120.00		136.79
Mrs. Wm. McPherson	2.00	1.13	48.00	1.00		5.00	120.00		48.00
Ralph Benner			40.00	5.00	72.00				152.00
Rose M. Spiller				39.65	14.00			75.00	39.65
Temporary Aid Subse-	28.50		-	09.00					28.50
quently reimbursed									
	\$3,229.16	\$141.36	\$549.67	\$410.60	\$352.30	\$16.26	\$583.58	\$430.46	\$5,713.39

COURT STREET CEMETERY

Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn

24

\$50.00 \$50.00

WEST KENNEBEC CEMETERY

Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn Overdraft to net Debt \$50.00

51.40

1.40

\$51.40

BAND CONCERTS

Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn \$100.00 100.00

STATE TAX

Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn \$5,730.00 5,730.00

COUNTY TAX

Appropriation

\$2,708.772,708.77

Selectmens Orders Drawn

UNPAID BILLS APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Selectmens Orders Drawn

\$3,453.68 3,739.88

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Overdraft to net Debt

286.20

25

\$3,739.83

TOWN DEBT APPROPRIATION

Appropriation Deficit \$1,000.00 1,000.00

ADELIA REEVES

Selectmens Orders Drawn Overdraft to net Debt \$171.85

\$171.85

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Unexpended balance 1935		\$	578.	18	
Appropriation		12	,500.0	00	
State School Fund		2	,559.2	21	
Equalization Fund			540.0	00	
State For Agriculture			225.0	00	
Freight Refund			1.8	58	
Maine Register Refund			6.0	00	
Tuition		3	,234.3	30	
Received from other Towns:					
Received acct. repairs to superintendent's	office		74.3	31	
Received from Harry Gilson acct. Library			17.0	60	
Uncollected Tuition			490.0	00	
		\$20	,226.2	21	
Selectmens Orders Drawn	16,788.56				

Unexpended to Next Year

3,437.65

\$20,226.21

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HIGH SCHOOL BOILER AND SEATS

Appropriation

\$1,200.00

Selectmens Orders Drawn Overdraft to net Debt

\$1,241.54

41.54

\$1,241.54

VITAL STATISTICS TOWN OF MACHIAS 1936-37

Births 35 Deaths 26 Marriages 27

Total Births 145 Deaths 44 Marriages Recorded 51

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OF THE

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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MACHIAS

For the Municipal Year

1936 - 1937

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Alton Bagley

Term expires March 1937 Term expires March 1938 Term expires March 1939

Warren Hill Philip Reynolds

Leroy W. Moan

Superintendent and Secretary

Malcolm Clark

Attendance Officer

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Superintending School Committee:

I submit, herewith, my annual report of the public schools of the Town of Machias.

In the elementary department a few changes have been made in the teaching staff. Mrs. Virginia Whalen has been assigned to grades 3 and 4 in the Rawson Building and Mrs. Christine Reynolds Watts to the Grammar School at Kennebec. Miss Ruby Bryant will take Mrs. Watts place for the spring term.

For the past two years we have been giving Metropolitan Achievement Tests in our schools and the results have shown that we compare favorably with the other schools of the country. We plan to continue these tests this spring as they not only show our standing with other schools but also serve as a check or measuring stick for the teachers. The fact that our standing is favorable, indicates that the teachers are doing excellent work.

Attendance has been above average and we have had very few cases of truancy.

Health instruction has been continued throughout the year and I find that 166 pupils have earned 7 point pins while 26 have earned 6 point pins. This is a fine record and brings Machias to second place in the county. Tuberculin tests were given in all grades with exceedingly few positive cases showing.

The high school work is covered by reports from Miss

Smith, Mr. Packard and Mr. Gilson.

I wish to state, however, that we are now planning to start a Home Economics Course for those girls who do not intend to go to College or are not interested in the commercial course. It seems to me that this will fill a long felt need in this community.

One thing that is badly needed here is a building suitable for an Assembly Room and Gymnasium. I hope that some

scheme may be worked out by which we may use for that purpose the \$10,000 bequeathed the town.

We were pleased that we were again able to get Mrs. Parlin to take charge of the Orchestra and Glee Club in the high school and grammar grades. Under her able direction much interest had been aroused and great progress made.

Malcolm Clark has ably performed his janitorial work as in former years.

A new boiler, which seems to be giving excellent and satisfactory service, has been installed in the high school. Thirty-seven new desks were purchased for the Assembly

Room. We should plan to purchase as many more next year.

We wish to thank the P. T. A. for its support throughout the year and for the pianos presented to the Rawson and Libby Schools.

For repairs this year we straightened the woodshed at Kennebec, shingled one side of the roof of the Hemenway Building, completely repaired the seventh and eighth grade room, washed several ceilings and painted three rooms. The partition for the superintendents office was paid for by the several towns in the union.

Next year we need to paint the interior of both rooms at Kennebec and then start on the exterior of the town schools. The following budget will show what is necessary to appropriate for next year.

ESTIMATED RESOURCES

Unexpended balance Estimated School Fund Estimated Equalization Fund Estimated Tuition Fund From State for Agriculture 227.002,500.00 500.00 3,100.00 225.00

Total

\$6,552.00

ESTIMATED EXPENSES

Teachers C. S. Teachers H. S. Music Water Janitors Fuel Books Supplies Lab. App. Library

\$4,600.008,400.00 180.00 900.00 1,100.00 1,100.00 1,100.00 75.00 75.00

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Total

\$17,430.00

Necessary to appropriate \$10,800, plus \$950 for W. S. N. S. or a total of \$11,750. For Repairs \$400.00.

SCHOOL STATISTICS

Teachers and Salaries

Harry Gilson, H. S. Principal	\$1,900.00
Arden McEacharn, H. S. Sub-Master	1,305.00
Albert Dekin, H. S. Coach and Assistant	972.00
Lois Chadwick, H. S. Assistant	945.00
Lillian Bean, H. S. Assistant	792.00
Catherine Harvey, H. S. Assistant	720.00
Gladys Smith, H. S. Commercial Subjects	5 720.00
Ira Packard, H. S. Agriculture	900.00

Rose Gaffney, Grades 7 and 8 Marion Coffin, Grades 5 and 6 Virginia Whalen, Grades 3 and 4 Elizabeth McGuire, Grades 1 and 2 Isabelle Longfellow, Sub-Primary Rena Foss, Kennebec Primary Christine Watts, Kennebec Grammar

900.00 810.00 599.40 599.40 810.00 504.00 664.20 612.00

ENROLLMENT										
Grades	Sub	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Village	12	15	14	17	21	19	22	11	24	155
Kennebec		6	7	5	9	5	5	5	6	48
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	12	21	21	22	30	24	27	16	30	203

REPORT OF COMMERCIAL TEACHER

True culture, according to Webster, represents the en-

lightenment of the mind and a refinement of tastes.

Since business has taken such a prominent place in the culture of our world today, it is only proper that we stop for a moment and consider just what opportunities we are of-fering our boys and girls for education along this line.

The majority of commercial subjects contribute toward the second part of culture—refinement of tastes. The study of typewriting, for example, results in a refinement of taste in so far as the appearance of business letters is concerned; the study of shorthand may result in better taste in the use, pronunciation, and enunciation of words.

You may say that business education is strictly vocational and, therefore, has no place in our high school curriculum. Business education is primarily vocational, but, at the same time, it has a number of nonvocational values which are worthy of attention. In general they come under one of the following headings: (1) personal-use values, (2) cultural values, (3) social values, (4) exploratory values. Let us look into these values of the three commercial subjects typewriting, bookkeeping, shorthand—offered in the Machiaz High School curriculum.

Personal-use Values. It is obvious that typewriting may be used by the student for other purposes than to earn his living. He may typewrite his daily or term papers, outlines, and lecture notes; the housewife uses her typewriting skill for copying recipes; the men and women who belong to

clubs typewrite their reports; then, too, the popularity of typewritten personal letters is becoming more and more prevalent. All these uses of the typewriter are not vocational, but nonvocational—for the individual's own personal use.

Bookkeeping, likewise, may be used either vocationally or personally. Those who earn their living as bookkeepers use it vocationally. But the man who uses his knowledge of bookkeeping to keep the accounts of an organization (provided he is not paid for his services) and the housewife who utilizes her knowledge of bookkeeping to prepare a family budget, use bookkeeping not for professional purposes, but for personal purposes.

We find that shorthand also has both values. For the girl who earns her living as a stenographer, the art is strictly vocational, but for the person who takes down notes in shorthand while listening to a radio program or telephoning, or for the student who takes college lecture notes in shorthand, the art is strictly nonvocational.

Social Values. The term "social," as it is generally used, pertains to man's relations with his fellow-men. In business training young people are taught how to meet, interest, and influence their fellow-men.

Exploratory Values. In business education the student is given an unusual chance to find his ability, or lack of it, in the various phases of industrial life.

After reading about the theory of business education, perhaps it would be interesting to those who make the commercial course possible to see just how it is working out in practice.

There are two ways of testing the practicability of our

course: one is its efficiency in meeting the accepted requirements of its field, and the other is the amount of interest it commands. In shorthand, we are meeting all the requirements, and in typewriting, we are more than meeting them. The standard requirement for first year typewriting students is 25 words a minute; more than 50 per cent of our students had met this requirement at the end of their half-year. The

goal set for second-year commercial students in typewriting is 40 words a minute, and 55 per cent of those in our high school are already doing 50 words a minute and more. Now, as for the other method, that of measuring the capability of our course by the interest which is shown in it. Commercial education has more than held its own in first-year bookkeeping and shorthand during the last two years. The class records show that in second-year bookkeeping the enrollment went from 25 in the school-year 1935-1936 up to 37 in the school-year 1936-1937, and in typewriting the class enrollment went from 40 up to 53.

It is common knowledge that a high school commercial graduate has a complete training in the course, and business school offers only thorough training in the skills. Still, were you hiring a stenographer, you would look for a business school graduate. Why? Do you want rapid work from the very first regardless of everything else, or effective work after a short training period in your own particular demands? In each individual office there are certain duties peculiar to that office. Even a Business College graduate would have to be trained for this work. Therefore, in the long run, isn't it going to be just as satisfactory to the individual business man, and more beneficial to his town and fellow-townsmen if he will take these facts into consideration, and high school graduates into his office?

Since business education not only develops refinement of taste in our young men and women, but also equips them to take greater advantage of the enlightenment of mind

which they get from other fields, and since it fits them for more efficient personal and professional living, has it not become an indispensable part of your high school curriculum?

Respectfully submitted, GLADYS E. SMITH

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REPORT OF VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURAL COURSE

I herewith submit the annual report of the Vocational Agriculutral Course of Machias High School.

Our class room work so far this year has consisted mostly of studying livestock, poultry and soils from test books and various bulletins. In addition, we have tested several samples of milk and cream, using a tester loaned to us by Mr. Hobson.

As an outside project, we obtained from George and Wick

Wallace the use of a building for one year for putting it into repair. We put the building in condition to receive hens, with money raised by the Future Farmers of America Club, the boys doing the work. When the building was ready, we started an egg-laying contest, trap nesting the pullets given us by the poultrymen of the county. We had 28 nice pullets entered in the contest, and it went very well, the boys getting considerable experience in caring for the flock for three months. At the end of this period the building caught fire, damaging it quite badly and suffocating all the hens. We proceeded at once to repair the building. This was made pessible through the kindness of Mrs. Means who put on a benefit movie for the Club and by a dance given at the High School. With these funds we bought 24 hens to replace the pullets lost in the fire.

We are killing and selling these hens, the boys getting experience in scalding, dry-picking and drawing fowl. We have obtained the loan of an incubator and plan to

hatch some chicks for the boys and also some to brood as a class project.

The Future Farmers of America Club plans to send a team to Orono in June to compete in the annual judging contest held there. Potatoes, Poultry, Cattle, Horses, Rope splicing and Rafter cutting are judged. The team winning the Cattle judging will get a free trip to the Springfield Exposition. One of the most important parts of the Agricultural course

is its supervised farm practice. Each student selects his project and it is approved by his parents and the instructor, his next step is to make a carefully drawn plan covering a considerable extent of time and outlining in some detail the methods to be employed in developing his project. During the past year we had some good projects, and this year we expect to have still more extensive and better ones.

It is best for the boy to have his project separate from that of his father. This is desirable because the keeping of accurate records is one of the most important parts of supervised farm practice work; hence, it can be readily seen that

to keep an accurate record of labor, cost of feed, etc., the project must be kept separate from that of his parents. This develops both managerial and business abilities, as well as farming ability. It is an effectual method in successfully conducting a farm enterprise on a business basis. The cooperation of the parents is very important.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank those who have so willingly cooperated in making this years work the success that it has been.

Respectfully submitted,

IRA PACKARD, Instructor

REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

To the Superintendent, School Committee, and Citizens of Machias:

I am pleased to submit herewith the annual report of the Machias High School.

The school year began the fourteenth of September with an enrollment of one hundred ninety two students in the high school. Despite the widespread epidemic of "flu" during the winter months, the attendance has not suffered sufficiently to warrant closing the schools. In this respect we have been more fortunate than many neighboring high schools. However, the attendance average is lower than necessary, were it possible to develop a program of regular physical inspection of students.

Interest in the vocational subjects has increased this year evidenced by higher enrollment in these classes. More care has been given to the selection of students who are really interested in these courses. This is necessary to prevent the vocational fields from becoming the "dumping ground" for all students who are not fitted for the academic courses. There are still many students for whom the present curriculum offers little that fits their needs or interests, and who are now floundering from one course to another in hopeless maladjustment. As a partial solution to this problem, classes have been divided whereever possible this year, on a basis of student ability, and subject matter in these classes adjusted to the level of the particular group. Much remains to be done along these lines, but success in the matter of adjusting the high school courses to the individual student will necessitate additional courses in home making, manual training, etc.

A number of the graduates from the commercial course have found employment as stenographers, and have proved the ability of high school graduates to ably fill these positions. Too, this course continues to provide at least one

year of typewriting to students of all courses who wish to take this subject for "personal use" values.

A beginning has been made, in making the various activities an integral part of the school curriculum, by allotting a fifty minute period every week; from the regular class schedule. In this manner the activities are finding the place in the regular school schedule that their importance warrants. Interest in all the activities has increased this year, particularly in music, where there is an enrollment of sixty pupils in the school glee club and fifteen in the school

orchestra.

An experiment in supervised study was begun this year; a fifty minute daily period being assigned for study by all students under the direct supervision of the entire teaching staff. This period is by no means sufficient to cover all necessary study, but permits the pupil to begin his study assignment under the direction, and with the aid of the teachers. Individual help is given during this period to students who do not understand the classroom assignments. It is hoped that this plan will make it unnecessary for any pupil to attempt a study assignment out of school that he does not understand.

The high school students have carried on a library project this year, and sixty-five new volumes have been added to the school library. High School students enrolled in the National Youth Administration have done valuable work in cataloguing and indexing the three hundred volumes now contained in this library.

I extend thanks to the superintendent, the school committee and the citizens of Machias, for their support and cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

H. V. GILSON, Principal

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance unexpended	\$578.18	
From Appropriation	10,521.02	
State School Fund	2,559.21	
Equalization Fund	540.00	
From Agriculture	225.00	
Fred L. Tower Co.	6.00	
Harry Gilson	17.60	
Freight Refund	1.58	
Tuition	3,234.30	
Total		\$17,682.89
	Expenditures	
C. S. Teachers	\$4,323.34	
H. S. Teachers	7,752.55	-
Music Teacher	100.00	
Fuel	1,081.25	
Janitors	875.75	
Library	100.05	
Books	927.62	
Supplies	1,513.02	
Elementary Tuition	36.00	
		410 500 50
Total		\$16,709.53
Balance unexpended	\$973.31	

Dalance unexpended

Tuition Due

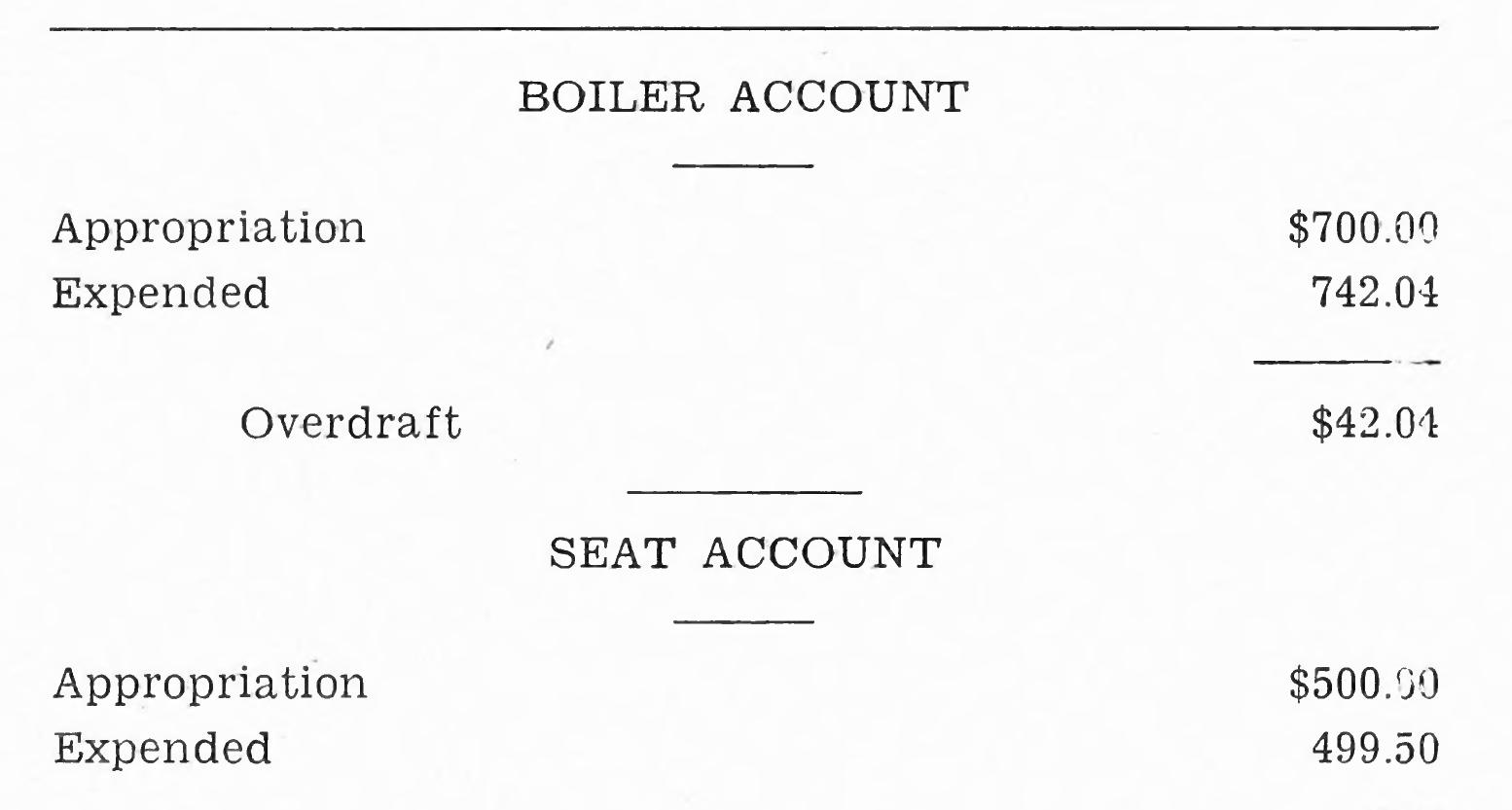
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510.00

LABORATORY APPARATUS

From Appropriation Expended \$78.93 78.98



Balance unexpended

NORMAL SCHOOL ACCOUNT \$1,900.00 Appropriation No expenditures REPAIRS \$400.00 Appropriation 74.34 From Towns \$474.34 Total \$488.53 Expended \$14.19 Overdraft \$7.02 Due from Witneyville \$523.68 Expended for Insurance

The large unexpended balance for schools is due to the fact that we only paid for 34 weeks before the books were closed.

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In conclusion I wish to thank the citizens and School Committee for their support and cooperation throughout the year.

> Respectfully submitted, L. W. MOAN, Supţ. of Schools.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Machias, Maine, March 18th 1937

I have examined the accounts of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector and Superintendent of Schools as appearing in the foregoing report and have found them correct.

WARREN M. HILL, Auditor.

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

State of Maine

To Grover K. Coffin, one of the Constables of the town of Machias:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to warn and notify such of the inhabitants of said town of Machias as are qualified to vote in town affairs to assemble at the High School auditorium of said Machias, on the twenty-second day of March 1937 at nine o'clock and thirty minutes in forenoon, to act on the following named articles to wit:

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

Article 2. To choose a Town Clerk, Selectmen, Assessors, Overseer of the Poor, Town Treasurer, Auditor, Members of the Superintending School Committee. One for three years Tax Collector and all town officers required by laws of the State of Maine.

Article 3. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary or deemed expedient for the support of Schools, Poor, Fire Department, Water Service, Street Lighting, School Books, Apparatus Appliances, Repairs of Town Buildings and all other legal purposes and town charges for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the question of raising and appropriating money necessary to entitle the town to State Aid as provided in Section 20 of Chapter 28 of the Revised Statutes.

Article 5. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money, and if so, how much, for the improvement section of State Aid road as outlined in the report of the Commissioner in addition to the amount regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges, the amount not to exceed the maximum which the town is allowed to raise under provision of section 19 Chapter 28 of the Revised Statutes and of acts additional thereto.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and what sum, for the maintenance of State Aid highway during the ensuing year within the limits of the town. Patrol fund of \$905.00 should be raised.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of not less than one hundred and five dollars for the maintenance of the improved section of Third Class roads to be used in connection with the Third Class road appropriation made by the State for the construction of Third Class roads.

Article 8. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to

appoint a Road Commissioner for the ensuing year.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and if so, how much, for the support of a Free Reading room, or Public Library.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty dollars for the observance of next Memorial Day.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and if so, how much, to pay the interest on this years town debt.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and if so, how much, to be applied toward payment of the principal of the town debt.

Article 13. To see what sum of money if any, the town will recommend to take from the joint State Aid account for the purpose of applying bituminous surface treatment to State Aid in accordance with provisions of Chapter 271 P. L. 1931. Article 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the

Selectmen and Town Treasurer to borrow from Banks, Trust Companies or individuals as temporary loans to and for the use of the town of Machias, in anticipation of the taxes of the current year of 1937, sums of money in the aggregate not exceeding \$10,000.00 and authorize the Treasurer of the town to execute the negotiable note or notes of the town therefor, payable within said municipal year from moneys raised by taxation therein and upon such terms as

shall be satisfactory to said Treasurer and Selectmen of the town.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and if so, how much, towards defraying expenses of combatting tuberculosis in Washington County, said sum to be expended by the Washington County Anti-Tuberculosis Association.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and if so, how much, for the purpose of tarring streets, said streets to be designated and money to be expended by the Selectmen.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and if so, how much, to defray expenses of insurance of town buildings.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and if so, how much, for snow removal during the winter of 1937 and 1938, the same to be expended under supervision of the selectmen.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50 dollars to be expended in or on the Longfellow Cemetery.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50 dollars for the maintenance of Court Street Cemetery.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and if so, how much, to be expended for repairs, upkeep of roads and bridges, said sum to be expended under the supervision of the Selectmen.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appro-

priate a sum of money and if so, how much, to be expended cutting bushes on State Aid roads for the year 1937.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to renew all notes outstanding and authorize the town treasurer to make renewal of said notes.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and town treasurer to convey any property acquired

by the town for non-payment of taxes through tax deeds cr lien certificates.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to provide a connection from the nearest sewer to the residence of William H. Hurley, on High Street.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to raise \$20.00 for West Kennebec Cemetery.

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to rescind its action on article 27 taken on March 30th, 1936, whereby it was voted to accept the bequest in the Annetta O'Brien Walker will.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to accept the sum of \$6,000 thousand dollars, from the will of Annetta O'Brien Walker and establish it as a trust fund for a period of five years under the administration of the board of Selectmen with the proviso that for this period its income will be expended for a free bed in the Machias Community Hospital for the needy of Machias (those to be chosen jointly by the board of Selectmen and the Red Cross Civilian Committee) and at the end of that period that the town shall determine the future use of the fund.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and if so, how much, for the purpose of repairing and tarring Freemont St., said money to be expended by the Selectmen.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for gravel for the road leading from No. 1, to the Marshfield line, on the old road leading to East Machias.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600 to be expended on the West Kennebec road for gravel and repairs from the schoolhouse to Marston's Point.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$690.00 to construct a sewer from Dublin St. to the River by way of Harwood St.

Article 34. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and if so how much, to be expended tarring Water Street from West St. to Arthur Foss residence.

Article 35. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100 dollars for band concerts during the summer of 1937.

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money and if so how much, for the purpose of furnishing a Bus for the conveyance of High School students of West Kennebec to and from school.

Article 37. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 towards rebuilding the Administration Building at the Washington State Normal School, and to authorize the selectmen and town treasurer to borrow from Banks, Trust Companies or individuals, as a temporary loan, and to execute the negotiable note or notes of the town therefor, and upon such terms as shall be satisfactory to said Treasurer and Selectmen of the town.

Article 38. To act on any other business that may be legally brought before the meeting.

> ISAAC S. HEATON, FRANK W. STIMSON, FRANK P. DAY,

> > Selectmen of Machias

Machias, Maine, March 10, 1937.

The undersigned will be in session at the town office in the Leighton Block in Machias, from two till five o'clock in the afternoon of Saturday the twenty of March, A. D. 1937, to

hear and decide on the applications of persons claiming the right to vote at the above named meeting.

Given under our hand this 10th day of March A. D. 1937.

FRANK W. STIMSON, FRANK P. DAY,

Selectmen of Machias