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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

OF THE
Town of Unity

For the Municipal Year 1924



1925
NEWELL WHITE, PRINTER
THORNDIKE

Town Officers

Selectmen

J H FARWELL

E B RAND

H E WARD

Collector and Treasurer—R C WHITAKER

Town Clerk—BEULAH KNIGHT

Fire Warden—GLADYS YOUNG

School Committee

T O KNIGHT

A L FARWELL

MRS. H L GLINES

Health Officer—C M WHITNEY, M D

Constables—C L GANNETT

B H BARNES

Selectmen's Report

Real estate, resident		\$372840
Real estate, non-resident		81150
Total real estate		<u>\$453990</u>
Personal estate, resident	\$116909	
" " non-resident	2600	
Total	<u>\$119509</u>	
Total real estate and personal		\$573499

AMOUNT OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

238 horses	\$23125.00
1 colt, 3 to 4 years old	40.00
706 cows	30045.00
Oxen, 2	70.00
3 year old, 68	2245.00
2 year old, 121	3000.00
	<u>\$38525.00</u>

EXEMPT LIVE STOCK

Yearlings, 116	\$2115.00
Sheep, 131	1315.00
Swine, 55	880.00
	<u>\$4310.00</u>

APPROPRIATIONS

Overlay	\$ 174.06
Common schools	3838.00
High school	3237.00
Insurance	135.00
General repairs	300.00
Fire warden	10.00
Rebate on taxes	600.00
Town officers	900.00
Support of poor	1000.00
Roads and bridges	5220.00
State road	533.00
Patrolman	530.00
Machine work	50.00
Street lights	330.00
Bond Issue	2600.00
Miscellaneous expenses	300.00
Heating plant	225.00
T M Leonard, land damage	500.00
Care of cemetery	225.00
County tax	1434.95
State tax	3876.90

DISCOUNT ON TAXES

July 1 R C Whitaker, 5%	\$588.96
Dec. 1 Same, 2%	73.09
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Amount raised	\$662.05
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Overdrawn	\$62.05

LIST OF ABATEMENTS

E H Simpson, poll tax, over 70 years old	\$ 3.00
E E York, same	3.00
Frederick Hall, paid elsewhere	8 80
M J Lowe, paid in Stillwater	3.00
Clayton Webb, paid in Portland	3.00
G R Noble, taxed to M J Lowe	13.80
Bernard Small, not 21	3.00

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

By paid state highway dept.	\$580
Raised by town	580

BOND ISSUE

Paid William Farwell	\$2600
Raised by town	2600

LAND DAMAGE

Paid F M Leonard	\$500
Raised by town	500

TOWN OFFICERS BILLS

J H Farwell, 1st selectman	\$175.00
E B Rand 2nd "	125.00
H E Ward 3d "	17.00
A L Farwell, school committee	20.00
T O Knights	20.00
T Gliues	15.00
George Dobson, constable	25.00
Hale Taylor, truant officer	6.25

H L Trueworthy, health officer,	37.35
Beulah Knight, town clerk	35.00
R C Whitaker, coll.	200.00
A L Ward, ballot clerk	6.00
T O Knight, same	6.00
Ethel Ward	6.00
Mrs. A D Edgerley	9.00
Clara Mussey	3.00
N T Gregoire	225.91
C M Whitney, health officer and school physician	20.45

BREAKING SNOW

Alfred Clark	\$ 4.00
O D Braley	6.00
Will Braley	6.00
Ralph Murch	3.84
Eli Moulton	6.00
Geo. Nickless	17.60
Frank Smith	5.00
L E Scott	7.50
Norris Pushor	7.05
Leo Pushor	2.25
Elwood Waning	9.00
Raymond Murch	2.40
Carl Goodwin	7.80
W A Blanchard	10.80
Alton Blanchard	6.00
P A Weed	3.90
Urban Waning	3.60
E O Packard	3.00
Martin Nickless	34.50
D S Jones	27.00

Ben Getchell	5.75
Ed Woods	5.75
William Walton	21.00
W L Blanchard	9.50
Chas. Mitchell	12.75
Frank Genest	22.50
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	\$258.19

LABOR ON HIGHWAY

Geo. E Dobson	\$27.00
A F McMann	13.50
Fred Jones	30.00
H Harding	33.00
Geo Trull	32.00
John Moreau	15.00
John Reynolds	17.70
William Stevens	9.00
Martin Nickless	27.00
C H Dean	40.50
Urban Waning	11.25
Warren Pushor	12.00
C H Dean	35.00
Frank Walton	24.00
Geo. Dobson	66.00
Vernard Tweedie	12.00
Urban Waning	15.00
A F McMann	33.00
Geo Trull	24.00
K Harding	9.00
William Stevens	15.00
John Reynolds	18.00

John Moreau	18 00
Hiram Harding	15.00
Lester Rines	12.00
Clair Stevens	6.00
H L Crosby, 6 M bridge plank	212.24
C H Dean	63.00
Asher Douglas	6.00
Martin Nickless	27.00
John Moreau	12.00
Leo Pushor	9.00
Geo Trull	24.00
H P Dean	19.50
Geo Dobson	54.00
Henry Adams	12.00
Vernard Tweedie	27.00
A F McMann	27.00
H P Dean	12.00
C H Dean	35.00
Martin Nickless	18.00
Frank Brown	48.00
Farwell Bros., dynamite and caps	79.70
Warren Pushor	27.00
Mfg Co., culvert	96.80
B Tweedie	12.00
Clyde Shorey	12.00
Fred Jones	6.00
Geo Trull	24.00
Hiram Harding	18.00
John Reynolds	15.00
John Moreau	15 00
Clyde Shorey	18.00

Fred Jones	36.00
D M Jones	36.00
Will Ward	24.00
Alton Blanchard	9.00
Wendall Blanchard	9.00
Urban Waning	15.00
F A McManus	15.00
Frank Walton	16.00
Warren Parker	12.00
F A Nichols	22.50
Frank Davis	18.00
F A Nichols	21.00
Floyd Jameson	9.00
Eugene Nichols	39.00
Asher Douglass	4.20
Theodore Knowlton	55.50
E I Young	22.00
Vernard Tweedie	6.00
Fred Jones	24.00
Geo. Trull	12.00
John Reynolds	9.00
Hiram Harding	9.00
D M Jones	18.00
Clyde Shorey	18.00
A T McManus	6.00
Geo. Dobson	14.00
Chas. Dean	12.00
J H Farwell & Son, paint	10.34
A Ellis	6.00
Edward Walton	28.75
Geo. Trull	16.00

John Reynolds	6.00
Chas. Waning	8.40
H L Crosby	5.00
John Webb	18.00
Fred Jones	18.00
Will Ward	12.00
Geo. Trull	16.00
W A Gerrish	10.00
Whitehouse & Chase	18.10
H A Adams	18.10
W E Bessey	2.50
H A Adams	2.00
Richard Cornforth	6.00
Floyd Jameson	7.50
Fred Ham	17.50
Charles Purington	12.00
W S Bailey	30.36
Peter Harmon & Son	5.75
Walter Bailey	9.25
W S Bailey	34.50
Arthur Leonard, gravel	14.90
Ben Tweedie	3.00
Chas Purington	34.00
C H Dean	27.00
S Connor	27.00
John Webb	6.00
E E York	10.00
J B Vickery	4.09
H E Dean	18.00
Chas Gannett	5.00
Eli Moulton	84.00

Leonard Cornforth	9.00
A F McManus	6.00
Fred Thurston, plank	35.63
M C R R Co, gravel	46.20
E B Rand	11.00
Ivan Rines	9.00
E Walton	14.70
Bert Clifford	15.00
Dick Cornforth	9.80
Lester Ashford	7.55
C E Ware	2.75
Whitehouse & Chase, plank	10.71
C Y Graffam	6.85
L P Foster	24.65
T O Knight	1.50
Walter Bailey	3.00
Wesley Reynolds	6.00
Ralph Murch	7.65
Wallace Blanchard	14.25
Geo. Gerald	7.55
M B Waning	6.00
Martin Nickless	30.75
Scott Nickless	9.00
Wendall Blanchard	7.25
Norris Pushor	9.97
D M Jones	9.00
Claude Kelley	15.00
Hiram Harding	5.70
Geo. Reynolds	8.85
Geo. Bridges	18.00
H L Wing	8.85

Elwood Waning	5.55
Asher Douglass	27.75
Chas. Barnes	1.50
Morris Stevens	2.10
P A Weed	3.00
Forrest West	4.00
Manley Palmer	1.80
Lester Rines	8.40
Carl Goodwin	8.10
E J Bagley	3.10
Geo. Bacon	1.80
O D Bagley	12.00
Walter Bagley	12.00
Raymond Murch	13.35
Alton Blanchard	6.60
Wallace Blanchard	6.60
Wendall Blanchard	7.60
D M Jones	4.30
Guy Stevens	23.10
Harold Ward	7.50
Harold Crosby	7.80
G R Hunter	18.50
Martin Nickless	3.60
John Ulmer	2.70
Joe Stevens	3.00
Frank Smith	4.20
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	\$3497.01
Freedom road, special resolve	250.00
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	\$3747.01
Amount raised by town	\$5220.00
Unexpended	\$1472.99

SPECIAL REPAIR ACCOUNT

J B Vickery		\$7.80
Same		3 84
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		\$11.84
Unexpended 1924	\$108.83	
Balance		97.19

CEMETERY

G W Varney, Quaker yard		\$35.00
Geo Meservie, Village yard		6.00
E E York, same		35.00
T O Knight, Fowler yard		30.00
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		\$106.00

Amt raised \$200, unexpended \$94.00

STREET LIGHTS

Raised by town		\$330.00
Paid Maine Central Power Co		330.00

STATE AID ROAD

L J Stevens, freight on drilling machine		\$ 27.63
C H Dean		27.00
J H Farwell & Son, dynamite and exploders		81.00
Farwell Bros., dynamite and exploders		25.00
Farwell Bros., same		25.00
A F McManus		13.50
C E Ulmer, drilling		428.50
G E Dean		61.50
Urban Waning		8.25
G E Dean		66.00

Frank Genest	6.00
Geo. Dobson	81.00
Clyde Shorey	62.10
G E Dean	99.30
Morris Reynolds	5.10
H P Dean	24.00
C H Dean	27.00
Urban Waning	13.50
H P Dean	30.75
Clyde Shorey	9.00
H P Dean	32.25
S Connor	12.00
A F McManus	32.25
Ben Tweedie	57.00
A F McManus	42.00
H P Dean	45.00
S Connor	5.40
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	\$1322.78
Received from state	1241.88
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Amount raised by town	\$80.90

THIRD CLASS ROAD

Chas. Dean	\$ 64.82
Geo. Dobson	64.82
Vernard Tweedie	32.41
A F McManus	32.41
J J McManus	28.96
C Pomroy	28.96
C Shorey	45.34
S Connor	21.70

Chas. Ware	7 50
W Parker	19.50
H Ward	33.16
Geo. Trull	14.17
W Reynolds	17.08
Frank Genest	33.32
Sidney Graffam	4.50
J H Farwell	7.90
Clough Mosher	12.00
Cook & Co.	116.40
Chas. Dean	55.30
Geo. Dobson	55.30
Frank Gerry	55.30
Clough Mosher	55.30
S Connor	55.30
H Ward	48.00
Chas. Ware	12.00
Fred Thurston	6.00
J J McManus	27.49
A F McManus	27.49
Clyde Shorey	55.30
Vernard Tweedie	27.49
Geo. Trull	27.49
Sidney Graffam	27.49
C Pomroy	27.49
Wallace Reynolds	27.49
Fred Jones	12.00
J H Farwell	6.00
Chas Dean	42.00
C Ware	6.00
C Shorey	27.00

A F McManus	21.00
W Reynolds	12.00
C Pomeroy	3.00
G Trull	21.00
J H Farwell	6.00
Fred Jones	42.00
Geo Dobson	42.00
Frank Genest	42.00
Clough Mosher	6.00
J J McManus	15.00
Silas Reynolds	3.00
S Graffam	21.00
H Dean	21.00
D Cornforth	50.00
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	\$1571.65
Received from state	1495.53
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Cost of road to town	\$76.12

STATE ROAD MAINTENANCE

F A Nichols	\$ 6.00
Guy Stevens	24.00
Kenneth Murch	6.00
Carl Goodwin	6.00
Martin Nickless	6.00
Eugene Nichols	24.00
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	\$72.00
Received from state	32.00
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	\$40.00

FREEDOM ROAD—Special Resolve

James Bither	\$ 9.00
Frank Walton	24.00
Arthur Elliott	9.00
James Bither	15.00
Howard Penney	3.00
Frank Walton	24.00
Ray Gerry	6.00
V E Kempton	9.00
J H Farwell & Son, freight on culvert iron	5.25
N H Bragg, culvert iron	102.43
Arthur Elliott	6.00
John Reynolds	24.00
James Bither	30.75
Frank Walton	48.00
H Penney	33.75
V E Kempton	34.00
John Reynolds	12.00
Ray Gerry	8.25
Theodore Knowlton	81.00
Freedom Lumber Co.	90.96
Harold Pushor	10.50
James Bither	9.00
Edgar Harding	4.86
Frank Walton	16.00
John Reynolds	18.00
H Penney	6.00
V E Kempton	6.00
H Pushor	9.00
Farwell Bros., cement	130.73
Floyd Jameson	21.00

Everett Hustus	17.25
Ed Hustus	17.25
Frank Danforth	6.00
Kenneth Murch	40.50
Guy Stevens	84.00
Eugene Nichols	81.00
Guy Stevens	18.00
F A Nichols	41 00
Martin Nickless	6.00
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	\$1156.48
Appropriation	1139.35
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Overdrawn	\$17.13

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES

Mrs. E T Whitehouse, flags for soldier's graves	\$	4.80
C T Barney, disinfectant for schoolhouse		11.60
W A Gannett, work on high school building, 1922		12.85
G W Varney, care of town house		8.00
Loring, Short & Harmon, assessors books, stamped envelopes and stationery		88.10
W S Merrick, sealers of weights and measures		3.50
Mrs. A D Edgerley, ballot clerk		6.00
Paid for sheep killed by dogs	\$308.00	
Rec'd from state for sheep killed by dogs	308.00	
Newell White, printing town reports		54.70
R C Whitaker office supplies		25.48
C M Whiting, recording births and deaths		1.75
R C Whitaker int. on borrowed money		128.53
H L Trueworthy, recording births and deaths		1.50
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		\$346.81

Amount raised by town	\$300.00	
Overdrawn		46 81

POOR ACCOUNT

City of Augusta, Barnes bill	\$125.00	
Milford York, keeping tramps	3.75	
Geo. Mitchell, board of Parsons from Nov. 27 to Dec. 25	28.00	
J H Farwell, supplies furnished John Moreau family	8.22	
C D Davis, preaching John Moreau's funeral sermon	5.00	
H M Brown, feeding tramps	1.60	
H L Glines, supplies furnished Eugene Reynolds	34.75	
Geo. Mitchell, board of Parsons children from Dec. 25 to Jan 22, 1925	28.00	
Treas. of Girls' Home, Belfast for adoption of Grace Parsons	50.00	
Lincoln Black for board of Ed Reynolds from Dec. 18 to Jan. 29	39.00	
Estate of Frank Bartlett, rent of home for Peter Lafland	30.00	
William Thompson, burial expense of William Barnes	90.00	
John Webb, keeping tramp	4.50	
Mrs Geo. Mitchell, board of Parsons children to Nov. 6	24.00	
H L Trueworthy, medical attendance to Peter Lafland family	21.50	
Cora Fairbanks, supplies furnished Peter Lafland family	3.90	
Mrs. Geo. Mitchell, board of Parsons children to Nov. 27	21.00	
J A Adams for supplies furnished Peter Lafland family	9.30	

J H Farwell, supplies furnished John Moreau and family	2.20
J H Farwell, footwear for Parsons children	8.65
Maplewood Lumber Co, supplies furnished Peter Lafland family	113.46
A L Ward, milk furnished Peter Lafland family	12.00
Lincoln Black, board of Ed Reynolds from Oct. 23 to Dec. 18	52.00
Asher Douglass, opening William Brown's grave	5.00
E B Rand, keeping tramps and cost expense in Barnes case	15.00
C W Dyer, med. attendance, William Barnes	10.00
Town of Oakland, supplies furnished Albert Hillman	5.81
Maplewood Lumber Co, supplies furnished Peter Lafland	55.41
Mrs. A A Gilchrest, board of Ed Reynolds, Feb. 22 to May 13	60.00
H L Glines, supplies furnished Eugene Reynolds	21.74
Mrs. A A Gilchrest, board of Ed Reynolds, May 15 to June 26	30.00
Lincoln Black, board of Ed Reynolds from June 26 to July 31	25.00
Maplewood Lumber Co, supplies furnished Peter Lafland and family	88.35
A L Ward, milk for Peter Lafland	6.00
H L Glines, supplies for Eugene Reynolds	16.74
Lincoln Black, board of Ed Reynolds from July 31 to Sept. 23	52.00
Robert Cochran, board of Parsons children	20.00
Frank Hewin, burial expense of William Barnes	75.00
Farwell Bros., clothing for Parsons children	34.25
A L Ward, milk, for Peter Lafland	12.00

Lincoln Black, board of Ed Reynolds from Sept. 26 to Oct. 23		26.00
Mrs L H Mosher, clothing for Lafland children		1.84
Lincoln Black, board of Ed Reynolds from Jan. 29, 1925 to Feb. 19, 1925		19 50
Milford York, keeping tramps		9 00
Mrs. A L Ward, making clothing for Lafland children		6.25
Geo. Mitchell, board of Parsons children from Jan. 22 to Feb. 18, 1925		28.00
Town of Oakland, supplies furnished Albert Hill- man		28.17
J H Farwell & Son, supplies furnished John Mon- eau family		7.49
J H Farwell & Son, supplies furnished Geo. Whit- ten		6.35
C M Whitney, medical attendance, Peter Lafland family		35.25
Sara West, board of A Stewart 37 weeks, from June 8, 1924, to Feb. 22, 1925		148.00
Harold Pushor, 2 cds. wood for John Moreau family		16.00
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		\$1576.63
Raised by town	\$1000.00	
Ed Reynolds pension	180.00	
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Overdrawn		\$396.63

FINANCIAL STANDING OF TOWN

Resources

Due from state, state pension \$ 102.

Uncollected taxes of 1922 (\$21.25)	000.00
1923 (\$22.80)	000.00
1924	253.96
Cash in hands of treasurer	2040.34
Due from City of Lewiston J Coulter account	22.18
Due from Dixmont, tuition	40.00
	<u>2458.48</u>

Liabilities

Due common schools	\$640.53
Snow bills, estimated, not paid	100.00
	<u>740.53</u>
Balance in favor of town	\$1717.95

Respectfully submitted

J. H. FARWELL	} Selectmen
E. B. RAND	
H. E. WARD	
	of
	Unity

Report of Collector and Treasurer

Dr.

To unpaid taxes of 1922	\$ 21 25
same, 1923	263.66
cash in treasury	760 96
rec'd of the state, soldier's burial	100.00
rec'd temporary loan	1100.00
rec'd same	1000.00
tax commitment	25977.96
supplementary tax	13.20
temporary loan	1000.00
rec'd of Rebekah lodge for curtains	5.00
Frank Carroll, pool table license	10.00
state tax on bank stock	65.36
Beulah Knight, dog licenses	78.00
temporary loan	1000.00
state, damage to domestic animals	60.00
state, state pensions	144.00
Unity high school for glass broken	6.29
temporary loan	1000.00
state, vocational education	205.00
same	6 15
state, damage to domestic animals	192.00
temporary loan	1000.00
same	1000.00
state, by hand of J H Farwell,	
gravel account	12.75

state, dog license refund	14.85
state, school fund	1799.57
state R. R. tax	165.47
state, improvement roads	688.95
state, highway department	1483.16
same	30.90
temporary loan	1000.00
state highway department	853.22
state, equalization fund	299.00
state, damage to domestic animals	156.00
Carl Goodwin, check returned	6.00
J H Farwell	48.00
interest on deposits	11.72
E B Hunt, guardian, Ed Reynolds	180.00
towns for tuitions	1230.00
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	\$43597.27

Cr.

Paid—	
State pensions	\$ 144.00
Dog licenses	78.00
State highway patrol	573.50
One-half county tax	717.48
State tax	3876.90
Town orders	26354.57
Balance county tax	717.47
State pensions	102.00
Town orders	8657.40
Orders of abatement	37.60
Uncollected taxes of 1922	21.25
Same, 1923	22.80

Same, 1924	253.96
Cash in treasury	2040.34
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	\$43597.27

R C WHITAKER,
Collector and Treasurer

Unpaid Taxes

Nathan Chase	\$ 5 20
Robert Cochran	3.00
Elisha Douglass	20.60
Mary J Douglass	22.00
Roy Foster	10.70
C B Foster	3.00
Fred Jones	20.60
Robie Parsons	12.32
Heirs of Byron Purington	5.50
Leo Pushor	41.94
W W Reynolds	9.90
William Stevens	5.20
Mrs W S Small	2.64
M H Stevens	22.00
Geo Trull	14.00
Albert Tweedie	9.16
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	\$207.76

Non-Resident

A D Bumps	\$ 6.60
Ora Buzzell	8.80
Geo Blethen	8.80
B B Cook	17.60
Wm Powers	4.40
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	\$46.20
Total	\$253.96

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER AND TRUSTEES OF THE
BENEVOLENT AND CEMETERY FUNDS**

Agricultural Society fund and interest		\$344.61
Farwell fund and interest	\$2692.92	
Paid benevolences	120.00	
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Cemetery funds and interest	\$1934.87	
Paid for care of lots	29.00	
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E. D. CHASE

J. O. PILLSBURY

Trustees.

R. C. WHITAKER, Treas.

School Report

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Resources

Appropriation for common schools		\$3838.00
Appropriation for high school		3237.00
Unexpended last year		562 65
Received from state—		
Common and high		1799.57
Equalization		299.00
For agriculture		820.00
Received for tuition—		
Burnham	\$ 90.00	
Troy	710.00	
Thorndike	320.00	
Knox	160.00	
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Due from Dixmont	\$40.00	<hr/>
Total		\$11836.22

COMMON SCHOOLS

Expenditures

Paid—		
Teachers' wages	\$4036.00	
For fuel	594.68	
For janitors	415.90	

For tuition	40.00	
For board of pupils	153.30	
	<u> </u>	\$5239.88

HIGH SCHOOL

Expenditures

Paid—		
Teachers' wages	\$2738.87	
Agricultural teacher	1800.00	
Traveling expense of agricultural teacher	150.00	
For fuel	326.24	
For janitor	282.00	
	<u> </u>	\$5297.11
Paid for text-books and supplies	\$469.20	
Paid for high school library	87.00	
Paid for agricultural equipment	102.50	
	<u> </u>	\$ 658.70
		<u> </u>
Total		\$11195.69
Unexpended balance	\$640.53	

REPAIRS

Resources

Appropriation	\$300.00	
Received for sale of shades	5.00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 305.00

Expenditures

By orders drawn	\$ 360.57	
	<u> </u>	
Overdrawn		\$55.57

Appropriation for furnace	\$225.00
Cost of furnace	295 00

Seventy dollars was drawn from general repair account to make up the deficiency.

INSURANCE

Appropriation	\$135.00
Paid Geo. W Taylor	146.62
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Overdrawn	\$11.62

SCHOOL STATISTICS

Term	Name of Teacher	Total Att.	Av. Att.	No. of Tardy Marks	Wages of Teacher Salary
High School					
Winter	Roy Hayes	58	53.1	122	\$1800
	Chas. Wood				1800
	Donald Freeman				1000
Spring	Roy Hayes	51	44.1	55	
	Chas. Wood				
	Donald Freeman				
Fall	Harold Andrews	61	56	103	1700
	Chas. Wood				1800
	Olive Smith				1000
Grammar					
Winter	Gertrude Moulton	30	25.2	27	\$19
Spring	“ “	30	27.6	6	19
Fall	“ “	34	32.5	14	19

Intermediate

Winter	Charlotte Ham	24	20.1	18	18
Spring	“ “	20	18.2	5	18
Fall	Flora Myrick	19	18.4	1	19

Primary

Winter	Laura Hunt	21	16	9	19
Spring	“ “	24	21.9	3	19
Fall	“ “	28	25	1	19

Farwell's Corner

Winter	Anna McGowan	23	15.8	36	18
Spring	“ “	33	26.9	38	18
Fall	“ “	24	21.9	57	18

Worth

Winter	Virginia Higgins	11	7.8	78	14
Spring	“ “	15	13	48	14
Fall	“ “	13	9.3	69	14

Kelley

Winter	Virginia Woods	11	8.1	77	15
Spring	“ “	11	9.3	43	15
Fall	Garnet Giles	9	8.6	22	15

Woods

Winter	Discontinued				
Spring	“				
Fall	Lilla Farwell	9	6.93	5	14

Superintendent's Report

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of the Town:

I have the honor to present my eighth annual report of the conditions of the schools of Unity.

HIGH SCHOOL

The high school opened in the fall with the new principal, Harold Andrews, new assistant, Miss Olive Smith, and our dependable Charles Wood. As Mr. Andrews had taught five years successfully in Winterport high school, we felt sure that he would fill the bill. Mr. Andrews makes no boasting talk, but he is always attending to his work. He puts in hours of work that the casual observer would hardly notice. He is a thorough teacher and believes in holding the students to high scholarship. He has given life to the athletics, because he is very fair and has no favorites.

Miss Smith has a personality that makes for good discipline. She is an exceptionally good French teacher. We are very fortunate to have three such fine teachers in our high school.

By the vigilance of the school board the building was put in good condition at the beginning of the year. The janitor has kept the building well heated in spite of the severe winter. A good janitor means very much to the comfort of the students and the school plant in general.

It is with considerable satisfaction that we have noted

the growth of the high school in the past eight years. From a school of 36, with six tuition students, we now range around 70, with an average of 25 tuition students from year to year. The surrounding towns are turning their attention more each year to the Unity High School with its three good courses and the fine athletic spirit. I understand that others would have come this year, if they could have found living places. To those of us who had the vision of what was possible for the schools, it is very gratifying to note results. The whole town is reaping the benefit.

VILLAGE GRADES

The village grades have done the usual efficient work this year with Miss Moulton, Miss Hunt and Mrs. Flora Myrick, the new teacher in the intermediate room. We are very fortunate to have such conscientious teachers in our schools. When the schools are going smoothly and no disturbing elements, we are apt to forget that behind the scene are some hard working, tired teachers who are keeping the machinery well oiled.

RURAL SCHOOLS

As the school population increased in the Wood's school vicinity, it was thought advisable to reopen that school in the fall term.

The changing of teachers so often in the Worth school has upset the work in some degree. However, fairly good progress is being made. In general, the rural schools have kept up the standard of work. The Farwell's Corner school has been very fortunate in having a superior teacher for the past two years. This school requires as good a teacher as the village schools and the wages should be as good.

The schools of this union very much need a school nurse. There are many physical defects among the children that the superintendent and teachers are conscious of, but for lack of time, can give very little attention. The nurse could visit the homes and consult with the parents in special cases. A school nurse would often prevent an epidemic from getting started.

This year we had 100% enrollment of teachers for the National Education Association. Also 100% enrollment for the Maine Teachers' Association. This shows a fine professional spirit among our teachers. The total enrollment for the union was 32.

In closing, I want to say that in the interests of the schools I recommeud that the present school board be retained as long as they will serve. They have the school situation well in hand and work together for improvements. An inexperienced member, but with bigoted ideas, often does much to retard and upset school conditions. We often get such members in all the towns.

Thanking all connected with the schools for another pleasant school year.

Respectfully submitted,

NAOMI T. GREGOIRE, Supt. of Schools

Report of Principal of High School

To the officers and Citizens of the Town of Unity the following report of the high school for the year 1924-25, is respectfully submitted.

Sixty-three students have registered at the school this year and 56 are now attending, being classified as follows:

	Boys	Girls	Total
Senior	5	8	13
Junior	7	8	15
Sophomore	4	6	10
Freshman	7	11	18
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Totals	23	33	56

A tabulation by courses shows the following enrollment:

	Eng. Scientific	College Prep.	Agriculture
Senior	8	2	3
Junior	6	6	3
Sophomore	5	2	3
Freshman	20	2	6
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	19	12	15

Thirty-four are from Unity and the remaining 22 are tuition students from other towns. The following table shows the classification by residence. Three students from whom tuition is due are not now attending, hence this table will not check with the financial statement of the school department.

Unity	34
Troy	11
Thorndike	5
Knox	3
Albion	1
Dixmont	1
Burnham	1
Total	<hr/> 56

The daily attendance of the students has been, in general, very good, most of the absences being due to sickness and severe weather conditions. Excuses are required for all cases of absence, and each unexcused absence results in a deduction of 5% in the student's marks for the half term. This system is similar to the absence system in operation at Bates College. School conditions have been very favorable this year and no time has been lost on account of epidemics or stormy days. Only two instances of contagious disease have occurred among the student body, one case being scarlet fever and the other mumps.

The course of study is practically the same as that offered in former years, and is as complete as possible with the teaching force available. A new text in American Literature for the Junior and Senior English classes has been adopted and is proving satisfactory.

The class in Junior Civics is devoting a large part of its time to a practical and exhaustive study of the history, government and industrial conditions of the town, county and state. No text-book is used in this part of the course. A syllabus or outline of the work is provided and each student prepares the daily assignment from reference books or out-

side investigation, putting the results in the form of an illustrated note book.

The socialized recitation is being used in many of the classes with satisfactory results. This is not a case of students being utilized as teachers, but a system by which every student presents questions and topics on the lesson, to be answered and discussed by the class. One student is appointed as leader and conducts the discussion under the supervision of the instructor.

Mr. Wood is conducting several interesting and instructive projects in the Agricultural Course, which will appear in his report.

The work in physical training has been combined with the athletics. During the fall term every boy was required to play football under the direction of Mr. Wood and each girl to take part in calisthenics and, as far as possible to play basketball. During the winter term about half the students are playing basketball, it being impractical with the time available to care for a larger number.

There is a very fine spirit of loyalty and co-operation manifest in the student body, diligent application to studies and cheerful observation of the requirements of the school.

I find that there is a tendency on the part of many of the students to do just enough work to keep them above the passing mark, also that there are many students who, although they are diligent and industrious during school hours, do little or no home studying. I hope that the parents will co-operate with us in these matters, as I feel that there is no student, regardless of ability, who can do full justice to his work in the small time allotted for study periods during school hours.

There is some lack of preparation noted in the entering classes which hinders the progress in high school. This may be overcome by close co-operation among parents, teachers and pupils. Teachers should not promote children who have not thoroughly mastered the fundamentals of the grades and parents should co operate with the children outside of school hours and see that home work is properly attended to.

About 50 volumes have been added to the school library. These include works of general reference, travel, biography and standard fiction. The library contains a very satisfactory number of volumes for history, civics and science reference. The purchases this year round out the English reference fairly well. No library is ever complete. New books on new and important subjects appear every year. A small appropriation for library purposes is desirable at each annual town meeting. I believe that the lack of a library in Unity handicaps the young people. Very few of them read to any extent. Many do not like to read. Doubtless, in many cases, this is due to lack of opportunity and incentive. It is my aim to build up a high school library which will, in part at least, supply this lack and I want the parents and citizens, as well as the students, to utilize the library at any time.

Too much can not be said in appreciation of the work of Mr. Wood and Miss Smith. Both are loyal and efficient co-operators handling their respective departments in an able manner and are capable of supervising many of the outside activities of the students

Mr. Dunton has cared for the building and looked after our comfort in a manner very pleasing to us all and I feel

that he is contributing materially toward the efficiency of the school.

Every building requires some few repairs from year to year and certain additions need to be made occasionally. A few suggestions which I would make along this line would be the installation of more blackboards, tinting of the walls throughout, replacing the radiator valves, adding more bookcases, deepening the well or otherwise increasing the water supply and strongly screening the basement windows. A few minor repairs, such as were made last fall will, of course, be needed and a plumber should go over the water, heating and sewer system every season to see that every thing is in shape for the school year.

I wish to take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation of the able and efficient service of the School Board and the Superintendent of Schools, who have shown a very helpful and sympathetic co operation in the school work.

To the parents and friends of the students appreciation is also due, for their interest and support in all matters pertaining to the school. Home influence is strongly felt in a school, and the advice and support of the parents greatly increases the efficiency of the school and the standing attained by the students in their attendance and school work.

HAROLD P. ANDREWS, Principal.

Feb. 9, 1925.

Report of Teacher of Agriculture

To the Citizens of Unity:

The Agriculture Course drew fifteen out of twenty-two boys, which, as you see, is a very large percentage. This shows that either the boys like it, or else their parents wish them to take it. This is a good move on their part, for where is there a boy who knows just what he wants to do? Is it not natural for a boy to take up the work that he is most familiar with after finishing school? Thus, a boy who takes just a general course is at a disadvantage, for he has no special training.

During the last summer some of the boys planted tuber units plots, but, although the yields were good, they were not a success, due to so much disease. This coming summer six of the boys will plant a quarter acre plot each by the tuber unit method, from hill selected stock taken from Mr. Claude Kelley's certified Mountains. We hope that this will give us some good seed stock, free, or nearly so from disease upon which to develop some extra good stock.

In school this year the Freshman and Sophomore boys studied dairying and will take up gardening this spring. The Juniors and Seniors have taken poultry text and will get actual practice this spring by running our new incubator and coal stove brooder. These boys will also build a 20x16 foot colony hen house, if the town gives us the permit to build on the school grounds. This will aid us greatly in the rearing of chicks, as it would be useless to try this in the

school basement, where no sunlight is available. Next year this house will give the boys a chance to get first hand experience in poultrying by keeping a flock of poultry from September until June under their personal care and study.

For shop work this year we are building a work bench, cupboards and the like in the Agriculture room, which will be a big help to us. If time permits this year we are to make a double horse sled, to get practice in forge and iron work.

Taken as a whole the Agriculture work of the school is gaining in a very pleasing way, and I wish to thank the citizens of Unity for their hearty co-operation.

Respectfully submitted

CHARLES W. WOOD

Instructor of Agriculture

Town Warrant

To Chas. Gannett, a Constable of Unity, County of Waldo
Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Unity, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the town house in said town on Monday, the ninth day of March, 1925, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, viz:

- Art. 1 To choose by ballot a moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2 To choose by ballot a town clerk for the ensuing year.
- Art. 3 To choose by ballot selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor for the ensuing year.
- Art. 4 To choose by ballot a treasurer for the ensuing year.
- Art. 5 To choose by ballot a collector of taxes for the ensuing year
- Art. 6 To choose by ballot the necessary school committee for the ensuing year.
- Art. 7 To choose by ballot one or more constables for the ensuing year.

- Art. 8 To choose by ballot one or more road commissioners for the ensuing year.
- Art. 9 To choose one or more fire wardens, to fix their compensation and raise money for same.
- Art. 10 To choose all other necessary officers.
- Art. 11 To see what method the town will take in relation to the collection of taxes, and see if the town will allow a rebate or discount on all taxes paid before a certain date, and if so, establish by vote such dates and the amount of such rebate or discounts.
- Art. 12 To see if the town by its vote will set the date when its taxes, assessed and committed for the year 1925 shall become due.
- Art. 13 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the payment of rebate or discount, and if so how much.
- Art. 14 To see what sum the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the payment of town officers for the ensuing year.
- Art. 15 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of poor for the ensuing year.
- Art. 16 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repair of roads and bridges for the ensuing year.
- Art. 17 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the insurance of school property for the ensuing year.

- Art. 18 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 section 19 of chapter 25 of the Public Laws of Maine.
- Art 19 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1599 for the improvement of the section of state road as outlined in the report of the State highway commission, in addition to the amount raised for the care of highways and bridges, or raise the sum of \$533, it being the minimum amount the town is allowed to raise under the existing highway laws.
- Art. 20 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of state aid highways for the ensuing year.
- Art. 21 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the payment of miscellaneous expenses.
- Art. 22 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repair of school buildings
- Art. 23 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of common schools for the ensuing year.
- Art. 24 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of a free high school for the ensuing year.
- Art 25 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$330 to pay for lighting the streets of the

village for the ensuing year, as per contract with the Central Maine Power Co.

- Art. 26 To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to borrow money to pay town bills until the taxes are collected.
- Art. 27 To see if the town will allow such bills and accounts as shall be laid before them.
- Art. 28 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum to redeem one or more of the school-house bonds, also raise the sum of \$500 to pay the interest on the above bonds to July 1, 1925.
- Art. 29 To see if the town will allow the students to build a henhouse on the high school lot.
- Art. 30 To see if the town will vote to instruct the superintending school committee to elect a school physician.
- Art. 31 To see what sum the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of cemeteries.
- Art. 32 To see if the town will vote to install an electric light on the street leading to the Lewis Thompson place, so-called.

The selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session one hour prior to said meeting for the purpose of correcting the list of said voters.

Given under our hands at Unity, Maine, this twentieth day of February, A. D., 1925.

J. H. FARWELL	}	Selectmen
E. B. RAND		of
H. E. WARD		Unity