

1918

# Annual Reports of the Municipal Officers and Superintendent of Schools of the Town of Wilton, for the Year Ending February 16, 1918

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**ANNUAL REPORTS**

OF THE

**MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**

AND

**SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS**

OF THE

**TOWN OF WILTON**

FOR THE

**YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 16. 1918**

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*Bring this report to Town Meeting*

# To the Inhabitants of Wilton

## GREETING:

**T**HE Drug Store of E. H. Holman is now fitted up with a full line of Patent Medicines and they are of Standard make, the kind you see advertised, and Mr. Holman together with the Manufacturers stand behind every battle.

The Drugs and Chemicals are of Standard strength and are kept under conditions that insure their Quality and Purity.

The Prescription Department contains everything needed for the proper filling of Prescriptions Care, Accuracy and a full knowledge of compounding are always used in this important Department.

The Stationery is selected with utmost care and with a view to your every requirement. You will always find the correct style for every occasion in this large selection.

The Rubber Goods are all Guaranteed and why need we say more.

There are toilet articles for all, and have been purchased with a view to Service Beauty and Durability.

From the show case containing Chocolates and Confectionery you can find sweets to suit the taste of the most particular.

The Sanitary Fountain is all that the name implies and none but the purest of cream is ever served. The syrups used are the best that money can buy. Every soda is served with a desire to suit each individual taste.

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When in want of Anything call at

## **HOLMAN'S DRUG STORE**

You will always receive Prompt, Courteous Treatment  
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J. W. NELSON, PRINTER, WILTON, MAINE.



# Town Officers for 1917.

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## SELECTMEN, ASSESSORS AND OVERSEERS OF POOR.

C. W. Noyes,            C. E. Miller,            E. M. Bridges.

## CLERK.

J. Everett Hiscock.

## TREASURER

J. Everett Hiscock.

## ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

H. M. Babb,            O. McLaughlin.

## SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

W. W. Wilkins.      J. W. Perkins,      Geo. E. Clark.

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

J. F. Burch, resigned.            Wm. B. Woodbury.

## BOARD OF HEALTH.

Roy G. Furnel, Chairman.      A. I. York, Secretary,  
A. H. Jones, 3rd- member.

## COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

A. H. Jones.



## *Report of Assessors.*

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The following is the list of property in the town of Wilton, as made and returned to the Board of State Assessors for the year ending Feb. 16th, 1918.

Number of polls taxed	686
Number of polls not taxed	53
Amount assessed on each poll	\$3.00
Rate of taxation	0285
Value of real estate, resident \$831,710.00	
Value of real estate non-resident \$50,270.00	
Total value of real estate	\$881.980.00
Value of personal property, resident \$266,490.00	
Value of personal property, non-resident \$3,175.00	
Total value of personal property	<u>\$269,665.00</u>
Total value of town	\$1,151,645.00

### *Description of Personal Property.*

VALUATION OF LIVE STOCK.			
	No.	Av. Value	Total Value
Horses	447	\$99.12	\$42,975.00
Colts, 3 to 4 years old	17	79.11	1,345.00
Colts, 2 to 3 years old	23	76.09	1,750.00
Colts, under 2 years old	26	56.54	1,470.00
Cows	751	32.64	24,510.00
Oxen	95	86.26	8,195.00
Three year olds	235	36.68	9,620.00
Total Amount			<u>\$89,865.00</u>



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**VALUATION OF EXEMPT LIVE STOCK,**

Two year olds	303	\$32.86	\$6,928.00
One year olds	313	15.42	4,827.00
Sheep	869	5.47	4,755.00
Swine	107	18.46	1,975.00
Total Amount			<u>\$18,485.00</u>

**VALUE OF OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY**

Bank Stock	62	\$ 6,260.00
Trust Co. Stock	210	21,000.00
Stock in trade	36	40,150.00
Small boats	5	255.00
Logs and lumber		2,700.00
Wood and bark		6,150.00
Carriages	158	3,585.00
Automobiles	119	32,175.00
Musical Instruments	166	20,760.00
Furniture		2,025.00
Finished products in mills		11,000.00
Materials in stock		27,600.00
Machinery not taxed as real estate		5,500.00
Gasoline engines		640.00
Amount		<u>\$179,800.00</u>
Amount of live stock brought forward		<u>89,865.00</u>
Total amount of personal property taxable		<u>\$269,665.00</u>

Upon the polls and estates we have assessed the following sums, to wit :

For Support of Schools	\$3,000.00
Support of Poor	800.00
Town charges	2,000.00
Highways and bridges	6,000.00
Books, repairs and appliances	850.00
Memorial Day	50.00
School Building annex	1,500.00
Free High School	2,800.00
Wilton Cornet Band	50.00

Concrete Bridge	\$3,000.00
Lights	1,405.00
Grading at McCrillis Corner	25.00
Road Machinery	300.00
Free Public Library	500.00
School Superintendency	350.00
State Aid Road	1,225.44
Hydrants	1,020.00
Abatements	300.00
Music	300.00
Insurance	90.00
State tax	7,199.87
County tax	1,798.24
Overlay	316.33
Fractions	1.49
Total	\$34,881.37

On May the 26th, 1917, a list of the above assessments were committed to A. H. Jones, collector of Wilton, with warrant in due form for collecting and paying the same to J. E. Hiscock, town treasurer.

Subsequently a supplementary tax was assessed and committed to the collector of \$36.00, making a total commitment of \$34,917.37

C. W. NOYES,	}	Assessors of Wilton.
C. E. MILLER,		
E. M. BRIDGES,		



## Report of Overseers of Poor.

Amount appropriated March 5, 1917		\$800.00
Paid for Christina Moor	\$162.25	
C. C. Cushman	216.00	
E. W. Adams	122.20	
Victoria Nash	217.54	
W. C. Dakin	113.00	
Freddie Childs	5.00	
Charles H. Burbank	16.35	
		<u>\$852.34</u>
Amount overdrawn Feb. 16th, 1918.		\$52.34

### SUPPORT OF NON-RESIDENT POOR.

Paid for Merle Beane	\$ 21.61	
Fred H. Childs	36.50	
Stephen Taylor	22.07	
Geo. A. Taylor	19.30	
Mrs. Chas. E. Wilson	233.69	
Mary Knowles	110.00	
Henry Crockett	98.34	
Chas. H. Leighton	32.50	
Orrin Grant	114.75	
		<u>\$688.76</u>
Total paid for poor for 1917		\$1541.10

### Credit.

By cash received from Farmington on Merle Beane	\$ 21.61
Received from Salem on Fred H. Childs	36.50
Received from Monmouth on Stephen Taylor	22.07
Received from Mercer on Geo. A. Taylor	19.30

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Received from State on Mrs. Chas. E. Wilson	\$ 215.98
Due from State on Mrs. C. E. Wilson	17.71
Received from State on Mrs. Mary Knowles	110.00
Received from Chesterville, Henry Crockett	98.34
Received from West Gardner, Chas. H. Leighton	27.00
Due from West Gardner on C. H. Leighton	5.50
Due from Rome on Orrin Grant	114.75
	\$688.76

C. W. NOYES,	}	Overseers of Poor of Wilton.
C. E. MILLER,		
E. M. BRIDGES,		

# Report of Selectmen.

## Highway Account.

H. M. Babb and O. McLaughlin, Road Commissioners,  
in account with the town of Wilton :

Amount appropriated March 5th, 1917 \$6,000.00

Paid winter bills approved by H. H. Farrar.

Adams, Merle R.	\$ 2.00	Knowles, J. A.	\$ 5.00
Averill, P. M.	8.50	Lamkin, Harry A.	10.95
Brown, F. I.	5.50	Lidstone, John	11.40
Brown, J. L.	6.50	Miller, N. R.	5.25
Bridges, E.	24.50	Mayo, I. O.	11.27
Blanchard, F. N. & Sons	13.50	Miller, L. N.	9.16
Butterfield, Geo. W.	6.75	Magrath, A. P.	13.81
Dean, G. M.,	38.25	Niles, H. E.	7.20
Dakin, Chas.	10.80	Pratt, Geo.	12.50
Dean, G. M.	4.50	Pease, Guy W.	9.00
Daisey, F. T.	6.18	Robbins, Dana	3.52
Clark, O. F.	2.00	Ranger, J. H.	6.00
Chaney, J. K.	2.60	Savage, W. F. (2bills)	29.60
Frost, E.	12.60	Smith, Leon	20.25
Farrar, H. H.	7.00	Stickney, O. N.	4.00
Gammon, Fordyce (2 bills)	1.60	Thompson, W. D.	15.40
Gilman, C. A.	5.20	Thompson, W. V	9.46
Hosley, W. C.	1.76	Thomas, B. F.	2.40
Howard, Gerald	10.23	Tilton, R. D.	7.05
Hamlin, C. P.	11.40	Wilder, W. E. (2 bills)	42.75
Hiscock, Arthur	1.00	Wigglesworth, G. R.	2.50
Hall, Thurlow C.	87.40	Webster, Ozro	2.42
Knowles, F. W.	17.00	Whitney, E. H.	26.00
			<u>\$553.66</u>

Summer work expended under H. H. Farrar

Wilder, F. L. \$7.30 Winter. E. E. \$3.20 \$10.50

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 Summer work expended under H. M. Babb

Adams, N. E. & Co. (2 bills)	\$ 166.95	Knowles, Orman	17.60
Babb, H. M. (17 bills)	403.23	Pratt, Alec	10.00
Buker, U. A. (18 bills)	1272.95	Severy, A. F. (7 bills)	86.22
Babb, H. H.	1.00	Sewall, N. W. & Co. (3 bills)	65.83
Babb, R. W.	3.00	Sanders Engineering Co.	23.84
Blanchard, C. F.	5.30	Swett, E. G.	11.68
Brown, Lewis	7.00	Sanborn, Frank	5.00
Brown, F. I.	4.50	Robbins, Dana	2.00
Bubier, Willard	5.00	Savage, A. R.	2.00
Bridges, E.	11.42	True, Walter	3.55
Coolidge, D. (2 bills)	9.25	Tufts, Albert (2 bills)	1.50
Dean, G. M., (4 bills)	67.50	Thompson, W. D.	10.08
Eustis, W. W. (2 bills)	5.70	Townsend, Will (2 bills)	17.50
Eaton, O. P.	4.00	Vaughn, C. M.	2.83
Ford, Chas. (6 bills)	72.10	Webster, Guy (2 bills)	9.55
Farrar, H. H. (3 bills)	37.06	Webster, Ozro (15 bills)	278.38
Hill, L. E.	1.50	Walker, S. W.	25.00
Hall, Ralph (2 bills)	21.00	Washburn, Ben (2 bills)	44.00
Hinds, Elmer (9 bills)	146.66	Wyman, T. A. (2 bills)	44.00
Hiscock, G. A.	1.00	Winter, E. E.	10.00
Hiscock, Arthur (2 bills)	3.00	Wilton Hardware Co.	8.74
Hiscock, Arthur	6.50	Young, F. R.	15.60
Knowles, E. F.	8.25	Young, O. R.	2.00
			<hr/> \$2,960.87

## Winter work expended under H. M. Babb.

Adams, W. F.	\$17.35	Brown, F. I.	32.38
Adams, W. W.	74.03	Brown, S. W.	13.00
Aldrich, H. F.	33.20	Dean, G. M.	174.76
Bridges, E. (2 bills)	303.25	Daisey, F. T.	27.93
Babb, H. M. (2 bills)	22.95	Foster, H. A.	26.00
Beisaw, Geo. (2 bills)	17.44	Gould, L. H.	11.55
Babb, H. H.	4.00	Gammon, Fordyce	2.10
Butterfield Bros.	30.00	Hiscock, Arthur	3.00

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Knowles, J. A. (3 bills)	75.74	Newton, Roy A.	9.91
Knowles, F. W. (2 bills)	114.86	Robbins, Dana	7.00
Knowles, Orman (2 bills)	33.50	Tilton, R. D.	12.58
Knowles, Otho	4.50	Tufts, A.	1.25
Knowles, D. B.	75.90	Webster, Ozro	3.38
Mosher, Arley M.	17.73	Wells, W. S.	23.00
Miller, C. M.	106.33	Webber, Harry	3.75
Magrath, A. P.	66.55	Wilder, F. L.	14.00
			<u>\$1362.92</u>

## Summer work expended under O. McLaughlin.

Adams, Chas.	\$ 2.50	Mosher, H. S.	\$ 3.40
Adams, N. E. (2 bills)	140.31	Metcalf, F. O.	97.72
Averill, P. M.	11.00	McLaughlin, O. (17 bills)	633.83
Buker, U. A. (3 bills)	\$237.10	Noyes, L. F. (2 bills)	8.00
Byron, Archie	27.00	N. E. M. Culvert Co.	56.84
Bubier, Chas.	23.24	Pease, Guy	2.25
Conant, C. M. Co.	9.60	Pratt, Seth	2.50
Chaney, J. K.	15.00	Remick, W.	2.50
Frost, E.	5.00	Russel, E. A.	5.64
Faulkenham, S. L.	1.25	Rowe, F. M.	6.00
Gilman, H. A. (11 bills)	163.08	Spinney, Ralph (3 bills)	13.06
Gilman, C. A.	2.00	Sewall, N. W. Co.	.34
Hosmer, Roy	1.25	Sawin, Hattie A.	5.00
Holley, Floyd	5.50	Tarbox, Ellen	2.10
Hamlin, C. P.	4.00	Whitney, E. H. (7 bills)	188.25
Lamb, Leland (3 bills)	54.50	Wigglesworth, G. R. (12 bills)	201.01
Lothrope, E. E. (3 bills)	38.75	Webster, G. W., (2 bills)	9.85
Lake, E. B.	10.00	Webb, W. S.	3.00
Ladd, Fred	5.00	Wilton Hardware Co.	7.81
			<u>\$2,006.43</u>



Winter Work expended under O. McLaughlin.		
Adams, W. F.	\$ 6.00	McAuley (2 bills) 114.22
Averill, P. M.	80.36	Melcher, A. R. 53.55
Bubier, O. (2 bills)	68.80	Macomber, A. C. 63.25
Bubier, Willard	8.75	Noyes, L. F. 2.00
Bubier, Ernest	21.75	Newman, D. L. 5.00
Bubier, Guy	7.50	Noyes, C. W. 18.00
Butterfield, Ned	51.90	Pratt, S. E. (3 bills) 137.17
Brown, J. L.	44.62	Pratt, Geo. 2.25
Chaney, Luraman	1.00	Phinney, E. A.
Chaney, Merle	1.25	(2 bills) 57.05
Chaney, J. K.	2.50	Pease, Guy 71.67
Faulkenham, S. L.		Ranger, E. A. (2 bills) 8.14
(2 bills)	44.50	Rollin, F. E. 2.30
Fletcher, J. S.	27.00	Rollin, E. W. 22.25
Farrar, H. H.	12.50	Ranger, J. H. 40.70
Gilman, C. A.		Ranger, S. R. 1.25
(2 bills)	65.50	Swain, E. H. 17.77
Hosmer, Roy	1.00	Savage, W. F. 72.80
Hosmer, A. A.	44.50	Sargent, A. H. 27.77
Horne, Erroll	2.50	Trask, R. W. 10.25
Holley, Floyd	30.12	Thompson, W. V. 21.75
Hall, T. C.	87.00	Woodcock, C. A. 1.00
Hamlin, C P.	96.00	Wigglesworth, G. R. 1.00
Howard, Gerald	19.50	Walker, T. J. 1.00
Jones, G. (2 bills)	29.50	Whitney, E. H.
Jewett, W. J.	59.55	(3 bills) 133.77
Lake, Ralph H.	2.25	Walker, Lorin J.
Lamkin, H. A.	51.41	(2 bills) 47.25
Miller, L.N. (3 bills)	88.21	Webb, W. S. 31.50
Metcalf, F. C.	7.10	
McLaughlin, O.		\$2,102.12
4 bills)	\$194.99	
Drawn by State for Maintenance Patrol		662.40
Total amount expended by road Commissioners		6,996.50
Overexpended on Maintenance		10.99
		<hr/> 9,669.89
Amount overdrawn Feb. 16th, 1918		3,669.89

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## State Patrol Maintenance Account.

Estimated number of miles under patrol maintenance 12.79

Joint Fund \$910.52	Expended as follows :
Patrolman's wages	\$569.28
Cost of extra help	271.18
Cost of material	69 85

The following work was done :

Cutting bushes	\$ 6.63
Dragging	123.54
Raking rocks	10.92
Cleaning ditches and culverts	135.72
Repairing endwalls and culverts	38.59
Surfacing : gravel	594.91
	\$910.31
Expenditure on patrol	\$910.31
Balance on patrol	.21

## Patrol Maintenance Account.

Paid Frank Sanborn	\$ 15.00
Chas. Illingworth	21.25
Will Townsend	15.00
Willard Bubier	11.12
T. A. Wyman	17.41
J. A. Knowles	39.41
U. A. Buker	103.27
H, H. Farrar	36.96
H. H. Farrar	22.75
E. Bridges	59.00
	\$341.17
Town Treasurer reimbursed by state	330.18
Overdrawn	10.99

## Concrete Bridge.

### *Statement of Account.*

Amount appropriated by State.	\$ 2,700.00
Amount appropriated by the County	4,050.00
Amount paid by the town	6,750.00
Total available funds	<u>\$13,500.00</u>

Amount expended for engineering	\$ 412.37
Amount paid Sanders Engineering Co.	12,787.50
	<u>\$13,199.87</u>
Unexpended balance	300.13
50 % of unexpended balance due from State	150.07

## Road Machinery Account.

Amount appropriated March 5th, 1917	\$300.00
Paid O. M. Conant Co. for road machine	\$275.00
freight on road machine	4.80
Balance unexpended	20.20
	<u>\$300.00</u>

## Support of Families of Volunteers

Under the provision of Chapter 276 of the Public Laws of 1917.

Paid Stella G. Dakin	\$78.85
Due from the State	\$78.85

## Wilton Cornet Band.

Amount appropriated March 5th, 1917	\$50.00
Paid G. A. Wyman	\$50.00

### State Aid Road Account.

State apportioned for 1917		\$1,256.07
Total amount available from state		1,256.07
Appropriated by town under Sections 18 & 21	\$1,225.44	
Total of payrolls and material bills	2,434.29	
Less town's part	1,225.44	
Expended in excess of town's share	1,208.85	
Plus cost of inspection	20.30	
	\$1229.15	
Paid by state		\$1,229.15
Unexpended balance available in 1918		\$26.92

### School House Annex.

Amount appropriated March 5th, 1917.		\$1,500.00
Paid Harnden Bros. (7 payments)	\$7,333.72	
Sears, Roebuck Co.	80.00	
Miller and Mayo	283.56	
Wilkins Bros.	14.96	
N. W. Sewell Co.	30.77	
Edward E. Babb & Co.	36.00	
W. A. Stewart Co. (2 payments)	1,743.80	
Hahnel Bros.	527.00	
J. D. Furnel & Son.	30.50	
		\$10,080.31
Amount overdrawn Feb. 16th, 1918		8,580.31

### School Superintendency.

Amount appropriated March 5th, 1917		\$350.00
Paid J. F. Burch for services (11 payments)	\$183.34	
Wm. B. Woodbury for services (2 payments)	50.00	
Balance unexpended	116.66	
		\$350.00

## Common School Account.

Amount appropriated March 5th, 1917		\$3,000.00
of school and mill fund		1,901.58
of common school fund		1,999.89
of tuition received from Farmington		154.29
of tuition received from State		12.35
of tuition due from Dixfield		351.66
of interest on school fund		94.56
of interest on ministerial fund		34.36
		\$7,548.69
Less overdraft of 1916		191.30
		\$7,357.39
Amount available for 1917		\$7,357.39
Paid out for teachers	\$6,043.10	
fuel	1,137.11	
janitors	562.85	
		\$7,743.06
Amount overdrawn Feb. 16, 1918		385.67

## Repairs on School Buildings, Books and Appliances

Amount appropriated March 5th, 1917		\$850.00
by error		3.00
		\$853.00
Paid for books	\$301.26	
repairs	354.13	
appliances	194.28	
		\$849.67
Amount unexpended Feb. 16th, 1918		\$3.33

## Abatements.

Abatements made to A. H. Jones. 1917 commitment		
Adams, Alvin	inability	\$17.10
Barden, Conley	enlisted	3.00
Blasel, Fred	enlisted	3.00

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Burt, Leslie	not here	3.00
Bickford, Francis	not here	3.00
Chamberlain, W. H.	not here	3.00
Crocket, E. E.	inability	3.00
Droh, Ed.	not here	3.00
Farnum, Chas. E.	enlisted	3.00
Foote, Chas. W.	enlisted	3.00
Flagg, Clarence	paid elsewhere	3.00
Grant, W.	not here	3.00
Hardy, E. E.	error	71
Hiscock, Bernard	enlisted	3.00
Hosmer, Ralph S.	enlisted	3.00
Hammel, Henry	paid elsewhere	3.00
Kenney, Geo.	not here	3.00
Libby, Wilfred	enlisted	3.00
Locklin, Abbie		1.43
Millet, Dennis	enlisted	3.00
Mooar, Joseph A.	enlisted	3.00
Mooar, Earl R.	enlisted	3.00
Peary, Oscar	paid elsewhere	3.00
Perris, D.	not here	3.00
Perley, Chas. E.	deceased	3.00
Reed, Jonas	deceased	3.00
Ranger, Carl	paid elsewhere	3.00
Robbins, Georgia		5.70
Smith, Mrs. S. R.		18.53
Smith, Arthur	not here	3.00
Savage, L. S.	enlisted	3.00
Taylor, Geo. A.	not here	3.00
Taber, A. M.	inability	3.00
Walley, J.	not here	3.00
White, Harry	not here	3.00
Wilder, W. E.	error	24.80

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 \$158.27

### Music Account.

Amount appropriated March 5th, 1917		\$300.00
Paid Mrs. M. T. Wade, teacher	\$183.30	
C. O. Jones for transportation	117.00	
for books	6.16	
Total paid	\$306.66	
Amount overdrawn	6.66	
		\$300.00

### Wilton Free Public Library Association.

Amount appropriated March 5th, 1917		\$500.00
State Aid		50.00
Amount available		\$550.00
Paid N. W. Sewall, treasurer, (3 pay- ments)	\$400.00	
Due Library Association	150.00	
		\$550.00

### Grading at East Dixfield School House.

Amount unexpended Feb, 17, 1917		\$75.00
Paid H. M. Babb	\$69.50	
Amount unexpended	5.50	
		\$75.00

### Grading at McCrillis Corner School House.

Amount appropriated March 5th, 1917		\$25.00
Amount unexpended Feb. 16th, 1918	\$25.00	

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## Town Charges.

Amount appropriated March 5th, 1917	\$2,000.00
Paid C. W. Robbins Bal.Col.taxes 1916	\$ 84.05
G. F. Ireland watering tub for 1916	3.00
Lelia Higgins, M. D, reporting births and deaths	1.75
C. N. Blanchard, legal services for 1916	25.00
C. N. Blanchard, moderator for 1916	5.00
A. B. Allen, truant officer from March 1916 to March 1917	15.00
E. M. Bridges, selectman for 1916	201.25
C. E. Miller, selectman for 1916	220.00
C. W. Noyes, selectman for 1916	160.47
E. M. Bridges, office supplies	16.57
Franklin L. & P. Co. lights for lockup	7.20
Wilkins Bros, hauling snow	2.00
J. W. Nelson, Bal. on printing town reports	18.40
C. W. Noyes, team in assessing	5.00
C. E. Miller, team in assessing	5.00
E. M. Bridges, team in assessing	5.00
H. O. Smith, check writer	25.00
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.	220.50
C. N. Stickney, collecting brown tail moth nests	16.00
Franklin Journal Co., printing notices	3.00
L. S. Keith, surveying	7.00
M. A. York storing road machines	3.00
O. N. Stickney, digging grave	4.50
Sanders Engineering Co., services	24.27
Maine Tel. & Tel. Co.	9.45
E. H. Holman, office supplies	18.80
Seth W. Jones, hall tax	25.00
C. W. Noyes, office supplies	12.24
E. M. Bridges, paid for plan of town	1.00



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Paid	Loring, Short & Harmon, supplies	\$ 14.75
	Richards & Rollins, term fees	8.00
	A. C. Macomber, damage to sheep	15.00
	C. N. Blanchard, expense to Portland and Augusta	20.00
	C. W. Robbin, July 4th	3.00
	Maurice Carey, auto hire	10.00
	C. N. Blanchard, Wilson case	295.00
	E. E. Howland, mowing cemetery	4.00
	C. E. Miller, cash paid out	3.50
	Traffic Sign and Signal Co.	20.55
	A. E. Stevens, signs	1.00
	B. F. Russell, mowing cemetery on Weld Street	3.50
	N. E. Adams Co., clearing R. R. crossing	19.13
	H. T. Niles, clearing R. R. crossing	5.00
	F. E. Trefethen, posting warrant	2.50
	F. E. Trefethen, ballot clerk,	2.50
	L. W. Mosher, ballot clerk	2.50
	E. J. Dakin, election clerk	2.50
	W. J. Connon, election clerk	2.50
	O. F. Jones, land damage	50.00
	C. R. Young, work on sidewalk	5.00
	Herbert Young, labor in town hall	154.80
	C. E. Miller, labor in town hall	54.00
	A. M. Packard, labor in town hall	2.40
	A. M. Packard, labor on sidewalk	12.00
	H. A. Estey, labor in town hall	2.25
	Wilton Hardware Co., stock in re- pairing town hall	63.85
	N. W. Sewall Co., stock in repairing town hall	39.40
	A. M. Sanborn, wood used while re- pairing town hall	16.00
	A. M. Sanborn, wood for office	8.00
	N. E. Adams & Co., lumber	8.53

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Paid	Ralph Winter, repairing snowplow	\$ 17.75
	E. H. Wheelwright, damage to sheep	150.00
	E. Bridges, damage to sheep	67.50
	H. A. North, damage to sheep	22.50
	C. L. Green, damage to sheep	297.00
	E. M. Bridges, freight on snowplow	1.20
	J. P. Holley, snowplow and sled	45.00
	F. G. Miller, attending signal signs	26.25
	J. W. Nelson, printing b. t. moth notices	7.50
	D. H. Soule, clearing snow from roof of town hall	1.80
	J. E. Hiscock, clearing snow from roof of town hall	11.75
	Wilkins Bros., wood for jail	5.00
	J. W. Perkins M. D., medical attendance on Mary J. Chandler	1.75
	J. W. Perkins M. D., reporting births and deaths	2.50
	A. S. Davenport, repairs on sidewalk	2.67
	Lorin J. Walker, watering tub for 1917	3.00
	R. G. Furnel, services on board of health, 1917	25.50
	A. H. Jones, services on board of health, 1917	19.60
	A. B. Russell, sawing and storing wood	3.50
	J. E. Hiscock, services as treasurer for 1916	100.00
	C. N. Blanchard, legal services 1917	25.00
	C. N. Blanchard, moderator for 1917	5.00
	A. B. Allen, truant officer March 1917 to March 1918	15.00
	V. O. White, M. D., reporting births and deaths	2.50

Paid A. I. York, M. D., reporting births deaths	\$ 6.25	
A. I. York, M. D., services of board of health for 1917	64.10	
B. J. Cox, sealer weights and measures	25.00	
N. W. Sewall, Int. on school fund	94.56	
C. E. Miller, use of team and cash paid out	11.15	
A. H. Jones, collecting taxes	326.11	
A. H. Jones, truant officer March 1917 to March 1918	4.00	
G. F. Ireland, watering tub for 1917	3.00	
J. E. Hiscock, services as town clerk	15.00	
J. E. Hiscock, recording births, deaths and marriages	20.85	
J. E. Hiscock, express and postage	1 50	
	<u>\$3,426.40</u>	
Amount overdrawn Feb. 16th, 1918		\$1,426.40

### Abatement Account.

Amount appropriated March 5th, 1917		\$300.00
Paid Wilton Woolen Company	\$233.44	
Harold Adams	13.68	
A. H. Jones, collector 1917	161.27	
	<u></u>	\$408.39
Amount overdrawn		<u>\$108.39</u>

### Town Hall.

In account with C. E. Miller, hall agent :		
Total receipts of hall and piano from Feb. 17th, 1917 to Feb. 16th, 1918		\$800.00

Paid C. E. Miller 20% of receipts	\$160.00	
for electricity	18.17	
for lights	3.25	
for dustvoid and trucking	7.15	
for oil	.84	
for wood, sawing and storing	14.50	
for brooms	1.00	
for other supplies	.70	
to town	594.29	
		\$800.00

### Free High School Account.

Amount appropriated March 5th, 1917	\$2,800.00	
unexpended Feb. 17th, 1917	1,500.00	
Received from the state Dec. 19th, 1917	500.00	
		\$4,800.00
Paid trustees of Wilton Academy (9 payments)	\$3,375.00	
Amount unexpended Feb. 16th, 1918	1,425.00	
		\$4800.00

### G. A. R. Memorial Day.

Amount appropriated March 5th, 1917	\$50.00
Paid C. N. Adams for E. W. Woodman Post G. A. R.	\$50.00

### Street Lighting Account.

Amount appropriated March 5th 1917,	\$1,405.00
Paid Franklin Light & Power Co.	\$1,263.28
Paid Livermore Falls Light & Power Co.	125.04
	\$1,388.32
Amount unexpended Feb. 16th, 1918	16.68
	\$1,405.00

### Hydrant Service Account.

Amount appropriated March 5th, 1917	\$1,020.00
Paid treasurer of Wilton Water Co. (2 payments)	\$1,020.00

### Insurance Account.

Amount appropriated March 5th, 1917	\$90.00
Paid L. A. Bump	\$278.10
Amount overdrawn	188.10
	\$90.00

### List of Town Property.

Town hall and lot, with furniture and piano	\$6,300.00
Road machines (three)	300.00
Holley snowplows with sleds	150.00
Sidewalk plow	40.00
Old schoolhouse and lot	1,800.00
	\$8,590.00

### Income of Town Property.

Rent of store	\$180.00
Income of town hall and piano	594.29
Rent of schoolhouse hall, rent paid to July 1st, 1918	50.00
Rent of print shop	60.00
	\$884.29

### Recapitulation.

Whole amount of orders drawn	\$43,349.46
Paid for town charges	\$3,426.40
common schools	7,743.06
books, repairs and appliances	849.67
music	306.66
support of poor	1,541.10
common highways	8,996.50

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Paid street lights	\$1,388.32
free high school	3,375.00
superintendency	233.34
grading at East Dixfield	69.50
library	400.00
road machinery	279.80
state aid road	2,433.29
hydrants	1020.00
schoolhouse annex	10,080.31
patrol maintenance	341.17
abatements	408.39
Memorial Day	50.00
insurance	278.10
support of families of volunteers	78.85
band	50.00
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	\$43,349.43

### Liabilities.

C. W. Noyes, services as selectman for 1917	\$ 200.00
C. E. Miller, services as selectman for 1917	242.00
E. M. Bridges, services as selectman for 1917	223.65
J. E. Hiscock, services as treasurer for 1917	150.00
Outstanding town orders	3811.99
Notes against the town	17,400.00
Balance due the Academy	1,425.00
Wilton Water Co.	130.33
Franklin Light & Power Company	56.88
Livermore Falls Light & Power Company	5.55
Interest on town debt	326.06
Outstanding bills estimated	300 00
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	\$24,271.46

### Resources.

Due from state, dog license refund, estimated	\$100.00
state on concrete bridge	150.07
state on paupers	17.71
state on support of families of volunteers	78.85

Hallowell	\$ 64.15
Rome	144.75
West Gardner	5.50
Dixfield, tuition	351.66
tax deeds	94.17
Rent of printing shop	60.00
Overdrawn school money	385.67
Cash on hand	1,523.63
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	\$2,946.16
Liabilities above resources	\$21,325.30

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. Noyes,	}	Selectmen of Wilton
C. E. Miller,		
E. M. Bridges,		

## Appropriations Recommended By the Town Finance Committee for 1918.

Common Schools	\$5,000.00
Text books, repairs and appliances	1,000.00
Music	400.00
Supervision	400.00
Highways and Bridges	6,000.00
Town charges	2,500.00
Abatements	400.00
Free High School	3,000.00
Memorial Day	50.00
Hydrants	1,040.00
Lights	1,425.00
State Aid Road	666.00
Maintenance of State Aid Road	700.00
Interest on town debt	1,000.00
Free Public Library	500.00
Support of Poor	800.00
Band	50.00
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	\$24,931.00

Based on the above recommendation an approximate tax rate is estimated for 1918 as follows :

Estimated appropriations	\$24,931.00
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Payment on Grammar School Building voted in 1917	1,500.00
State and County tax estimated	9,000.00
Total to be raised	<u>\$35,431.00</u>
Estimated poll taxes	<u>2,100.09</u>
Bal. to be raised by property tax	\$33,331.00
Valuation in 1917	\$1,151,645.00
Estimated tax rate for 1918	.029

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. Miller,  
W. W. Wilkins,  
J. E. Hiscock,  
W. S. Bass,  
E. H. Morison.



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## Wilton Free Public Library Association.

N. W. Sewall, Treasurer in account with the Wilton  
Free Public Library Association

### DR.

Cash on hand Feb. 21, 1917	\$77.84
From the Tyngtown Club for books	25.00
Franklin Light and Power Co. to correct overcharge	1.00
M. E. Eaton for bookcase	3.00
L. E. Palmer, fines and fees	50.45
Town of Wilton	400.00
	\$557.29

### CR.

Cash paid Franklin Light & Power Co. light	\$ 19.83
O. Fenderson, rent	7.21
J. W. Nelson, printing	3.25
G. F. Goodspeed, coal	108.60
Wilkins Bros., fuel and moving	36.85
Dodd, Mead & Co., year book	4.05
A. J. Huston, books	109.45
A. L. A. Publishing Co. book list	1.00
H. W. Wilson Co., readers guide	6.00
Literary Digest	3.00
Wilton Hardware Co. supplies	6.10
Charles Waldron, janitor	125.00
L. E. Palmer, librarian	100.00
Cash on hand Feb. 19, 1918	26.95
	\$557.29

### Treasurer's statement of funds:

F. J. Goodspeed, bequest	500.00
Drusilla Bowman, bequest	500.00
Accrued interest on above to Jan. 1	86.09
	\$1,086.09
Goodspeed deposit for shade trees, railing, &c.	101.82
Goodspeed Library repair fund	2,181.77
Due from the town of Wilton, bal. of appropriation	\$100.00
Appropriation from state	50.00
	\$150.00

## *Report of Treasurer.*

OR.

Cash in treasury Feb. 18, 1917,	\$ 2,018.20
State treasurer, State Pensions 1916	306.00
State Pension 1917	348.00
Damage to domestic animals	552.00
Support of Paupers	410.54
Dog licenses refunded	79.17
Free Public Library	50.00
Schooling of children	12.35
Improvement of State road	1,208.85
Highway department	380.18
Free High School	500.00
Wilson account	1,295.00
School and Mill Fund	1,901.58
Common School Fund	1,999.89
Railroad and Telegraph tax	228.66
Public Utilities Commission	12.07
W. F. Hellen, tax deed	43.35
Town of Farmington, tuition, Blanchard school	99.75
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to Jan. 5st. 1918	154.29
Town of Farmington for support of Bean	21.61
Town of Poland for support of John Partridge	23.23
Town of Dixfield School account	345.00
Town of Monmouth, support of Stephen Taylor	22.07
Town of Salem, support of Fred Childs	36.50
Town of Mercer, support of G. M. Taylor family	19.30
Town of Chesterville, support of Henry Crockett	98.34
Town of West Gardiner, support of Chas. H. Leighton	27.00
J. E. Hiscock, town clerk, dog licenses 1917	160.00

C. E. Miller, town hall account Feb. 18, 1917, Feb. 16, 1918	\$594.29
St. Josephs Church, rent of old school hall	50.00
J. F. Burch, refund repairs account	3.00
H. H. Farrar, for road machine	10.00
B. J. Cox, fees for sealing	19.95
N. W. Sewall, Treas. school fund, 1 yr. interest	94.56
W. E. Sawyer, rent of store	180.00
Town notes	15,000.00
Mrs. M. E. Butterfield, lot E., Wilton Cemetery between the D. G. Bean and Jonas Lord lots	10.00
A. C. Macomber, lot No. 56, Lakeview Cemetery	5.00
Oscar E. Hardy, lot E., Wilton Cemetery, next to lower road and southerly from Bennet lot	10.00
James Stevenson, lot No. 372 Lakeview Cemetery, if vacant	10.00
A. H. Jones, collector of 1917 tax	<u>34,923.37</u>
	\$63,263.10

## DR.

To cash, County tax	\$1,798.24
State tax	7,199.87
Pensions	348.00
Dog licenses	160.00
Interest	671.74
State Treasurer, joint maintenance joint fund for bridge	662.40 6,750.00
Town orders cancelled	44,149.22
Cash on hand	<u>1,523.63</u>
	\$63,263.10

J. E. Hiscock, Treasurer.

### Treasurer's Statement of Debt.

Outstanding Note	From	Rate	Int. paid to	
	Mar. 28, '05	.04	March 28, '17	\$ 900.00
	May 9, '05	.05	Nov. 9, '17	1,500.00
	Apr. 30, '17	.05	Oct. 30, '17	2,500.00
	June 1, '17	.05	Dec. 1, '17	1,500.00
	July 27, '17	.04½	Jan. 27, '18	5,000.00
	July 27, '17	.04½	Jan. 27, '18	1,000.00
	Oct. 30, '17	.05	Oct. 30, '17	1,000.00
	Nov. 30, '17	.05	Nov. 30, '17	4,000.00
<b>Town order</b>				
	Dec. 10, '03	.04	Dec. 10, '16	1,000.00
	Dec. 12, '03	.04	Dec. 12, '17	200.00
	Feb. 20, '05	.04	Feb. 20, '18	165.46
	Sept. 30, '08	.04½	Sept. 18, '16	1,000.00
	July 22, '10	.04	July 22, '17	470.00
	Apr. 22, '13	.04	Apr. 22, '17	984.57
				\$21,220.03
Interest due Feb. 17, 1918				326.06
				\$21,546.09

### Collector's Account.

A. H. Jones, collector in acct. with J. E. Hiscock, Treas.	
To due on 1917 tax	\$3,4881.37
To due on 1917 tax supplementary	42.00
	\$34,923.37
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By cash of A. H. Jones, collector	\$34,923.37

### Cemetery Funds.

William H. and Adalinda Dascomb	
On deposit as per last report	\$ 454.26
One year's int. paid Lake View Cemetery Assn.	19.50
O. L. Walker	
On deposit Maine Savings Bank	50.00

One year's int. paid East Wilton Cemetery Assn. \$ 1.74

John and Marcena Robbins

On deposit Livermore Falls Trst & Banking Co. 233.00

One year's int. paid Lake View Cemetery Assn. 9.40

Miranda Woodard

On deposit Livermore Falls Trust & Banking Co. 100.00

One year's int. paid Lake View Cemetery Assn. 4.04

A. R. Savage

On deposit Wilton Trust & Banking Co. 107.85

One year's int. paid Lake View Cemetery Assn. 4.32

Oscar Wilkins

On deposit Wilton Trust & Banking Co. 106.12

One year's int. paid Lake View Cemetery Assn. 4.23

Agnes Goodspeed

On deposit Wilton Trust & Banking Co. 1,000.00

One year's int. paid Lake View Cemetery Assn. 40.40

Orie M. Miller

On deposit Wilton Trust & Banking Co. 200.00

One year's int. paid Lake View Cemetery Assn. 8.08

R. C. Fuller

On deposit Wilton Trust & Banking Co. 200.00

One year's int. paid Lake View Cemetery Assn. 8.08

William and Drusilla Bowman

On deposit Wilton Trust & Banking Co. 200.00

One year's int. paid Lake View Cemetery Assn. 8.08

John O. Legroo

On deposit Wilton Trust & Banking Co. 500.00

One year's int. paid Lake View Cemetery Assn. 20.20

J. F. W. Gould

On deposit Wilton Trust & Banking Co. 51.00

One year's int. paid Lakeview Cemetery Assn. 2.06

M. Jane Holmes

On deposit Wilton Trust & Banking Co. 100.00

J. E. Hiscock, Treas., Trustee.

# *Report of the Superintendent of Schools.*

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*To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Wilton:*

Gentlemen: The object of the annual school report, as I see it, is two-fold, to furnish a record of the year's progress, with a limited amount of statistics, for historical purposes, and to suggest lines of improvement for the coming year. Taking office just at the time the report is due, it is too late to do much with the first aim and too early to be sufficiently well acquainted with needs and possibilities to do justice to the second.

During the year just closing, I find a start has been made towards standardizing the work through recognized tests. Too much of our thought has been of an indefinite stamp; often deductions have been based to too limited premises. It will be a help to measure our work and compare it with others in the same and outside towns.

In arithmetic the Curtis Tests have acquired national recognition and set a standard for all schools. Their adoption will provide drill work where drill is needed—some think we do not give our pupils sufficient drill—and will give an opportunity to learn where our weaknesses are, that we may intelligently set to work to find the remedy. My recommendation, therefore, is to carry forward a standardization of school work, starting in arithmetic with the Curtis Tests.

An effort has been made to put more emphasis in arithmetic and grammar on the every day needs of the child. New texts in these subjects have been added to the book list. The arithmetic, after the first fundamentals, presents problems of daily kitchen, trade and farm life, laying stress not so much on the disciplinary as on the practical side.

The same general idea holds in teaching English, the emphasis being not so much on what we understand by formal grammar as on developing ability to express one's self clearly in written and oral language.

The scarcity of fuel has caused a heavy expense. Coal cannot be had at any price, wood is hard to find and costs more than ever before. It will be necessary to buy wood for the grammar school as well as unusual amounts for the rural schools, and green wood for next year must be bought while it can be found. This is an unusual war expense that confronts us.

It has been necessary, because of resignations, to hire a number of new teachers, within the year. While once in a while it is possible to make a gain through changing teachers after a term's work, the almost invariable rule is a loss. The main reason why teachers change is a financial one. It is good business for a town to pay its teachers enough to make it possible for the superintendent to hire and hold the best.

The length of year comes in here. Thirty weeks at ten dollars is not so good as thirty-six at the same price. Those who work in the factories realize what the loss of even one week's employment means. Teachers will not willingly take a thirty week job when they can get a longer term elsewhere and those who may be forced into the short term will want to leave at the first opportunity.

This, moreover, is only one of the losses of a minimum year. The school year is a full one and other towns do not find thirty-six or even forty weeks too long a time in which to work for desired results. Holidays and storms also cut into the time for schooling. Parents do not like to have their children enjoy fewer privileges than do children of others and certainly a Wilton child can not get from thirty weeks' schooling as much as do his fellows in neighboring towns. Wilton is at the bottom of the list in this respect, the state law will not let any town drop further.

Some of the lessons of the present world war we are slowly learning. The importance of attention to physical well being, and instruction in thrift, in matters of community interest, and in patriotism are subjects that will merit an increasing attention on the part of schools.

Respectfully submitted to your attention,  
WM. B. WOODBURY.

### Members School Committee.

W. W. Wilkins,	term expires 1918
Dr. J. W Perkins,	term expires 1919
Geo. E. Clark,	term expires 1920

### Secretary of Committee and Superintendent of Schools.

Wm. B. Woodbury, 1918—(J. W. Burch, '17-'18)

### CALENDAR.

#### Rural Schools.

Winter Term, 1918, began Jan. 21—will close Mar. 22.

Spring Term, 1918, will begin April 8—will close May 31.

Fall Term, 1918, will begin Sept. 3—will close Nov. 22.

#### Village Schools.

Winter Term, 1918, began Feb. 4—will close April 12.

Spring Term, 1918, will begin April 22—will close June 28.

Fall Term, 1918, will begin Sept. 3—will close Nov. 22.

### TEACHERS, WINTER 1918.

Teacher.	School.	Salary per wk.	Home Address.
A. L. Dennison	Prin. Grammar School Grades 8 and 9	\$22.00	Wilton
Mildred Wright	Grade VII	11.00	Farmington
Helen Grover	" V and VI	13.00	Gardiner
Freda Mitchell	II and IV	13.00	Strong
Maude Bridges	III	11.00	Wilton
Mrs. Malo Collins	I	13.00	Wilton
Mrs. Lillian Webster	E. Wilton Grammar	12.00	E. Wilton
Mattie Dingley	E. Wilton Primary	11.50	W. Farmington



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Teacher.	School.	Salary per wk.	Home Address.
Alice Hodgkins	McCrillis	10.00	Farmington
Hazel Adams	Blanchard	10.00	Unity
Mrs. Lena Pettengill	Knowles	10.00	Wilton
Sadie Rowe	Intervale	12.00	Wilton
Ruth Gould	Walker Hill	10.00	Wilton
Nellie Sample	Hathaway	10.00	Strong
Eva Croswell	E. Dixfield Grammar	10.50	Strong
Mrs. Alexander Douglas	E. Dixfield Primary	10.50	E. Dixfield
Bernice Green	Searles	11.00	Wilton
Florence Davis	Dryden Primary	11.00	W. Farmington
Christie Leach	Brown	10.00	Penobscot

## SCHOOL ATTENDANCE, FALL 1917.

A. L. Dennison 37; Helen Grover 40; Mildred Wright 23; Freda Mitchell 39; Rosa Parlin 37; Malo Collins 34; E. Wilton Grammar 33; E. Wilton Primary 23; Dryden Primary 23; McCrillis 14; Searles 9; Knowles 13; Brown 7; Blanchard 9; Intervale 16; Hathaway 11, Walker Hill 10, E. Dixfield Grammar 19, East Dixfield Primary 24.

## ESTIMATE FOR COMING YEAR.

Schools,	\$4,765.00
Text-books, repairs and appliances,	850.00
Music,	400.00
Supervision,	400.00

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT.

*To the Superintendent of Schools:—*

I have the honor to submit my sixth annual report.

War and pestilence have conspired to make the past year one long to be remembered and have left their mark upon our attendance and membership records. The mumps and measles of last winter were followed by the unsettled state of mind of the declaration of war. It is doubtful if we can find any blessings for philosophic consolation in the epidemic of mumps and measles which attacked us last winter. We shall do well if we heed the lesson and meet any similar situation that may arise with stricter methods for checking the spread of the epidemic. The war has not been all evil to us as pupils and teachers. It has done much to intensify training in citizenship, to give a depth of meaning to character building.

The following statistics will show how we have weathered the storm of mumps, measles and war.

TABLE A.

## ENROLLMENT BY YEARS.

	<i>Total</i>	<i>Ave. Attendance</i>	<i>Agg. Attendance</i>
1912-13,	85	70.8	11,818
1913-14,	86	76.28	13,274
1914-15,	95	83.7	15,151
1915-16,	113	101.85	17,723
1916-17,	114	96.83	16,752
1917-18,	99		

TABLE B.

## ENROLLMENT BY MONTHS.

	<i>Sept.</i>	<i>Oct.</i>	<i>Nov.</i>	<i>Dec.</i>	<i>Jan.</i>	<i>Feb.</i>	<i>Mar.</i>	<i>Apr.</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>June</i>
1912-13,	84	83	79	77	74	73	70	69	69	69
1913-14,	81	82	80	80	80	79	79	76	76	76
1914-15,	92	91	88	86	87	88	87	88	83	83
1915-16,	108	108	107	105	104	105	105	105	105	105
1916-17,	112	113	112	107	106	103	100	99	97	95
1917-18,	97	98	97	96	93	93				

TABLE C.

## ENROLLMENT BY CLASSES, 1917-1918.

	<i>Boys</i>	<i>Girls</i>	<i>Total</i>
Seniors,	7	10	17
Juniors,	17	13	30
Sophomores,	12	10	22
Freshmen,	16	14	30
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Totals,	52	47	99

The efficiency of a plant depends upon three factors:—cost of production, waste and value of product. In past years I have brought to your attention the problems incidental to cost of production, such as cost per pupil in salaries, equipment and running expenses, and so I shall not touch upon that this year. This year I want to emphasize the other two items—waste of raw material and value of product. First as to the value of our product.

The war has emphasized the fact that our schools and colleges have turned forth, and are turning forth a splendid product of young manhood and womanhood. The very foundations of our democracy are laid upon our

schools—and the product of our schools, both men and women, have made a magnificent response to the call for service in behalf of endangered democracy. They have made this response in peace as well as in war. Wilton Academy is justly proud of the record of its graduates. I want to summarize the record of the graduates whose diplomas I have signed, including the classes from 1913 to 1917.

TABLE D.

## OCCUPATION OF BOYS OF CLASSES 1913-1917 INCLUSIVE.

In the U. S. Army,	7	Left College to work (cause—	
In U. S. Navy,	2	war),	3
Bowdoin College,	2	U. S. Mail Service,	1
Bates College,	1	In business,	2
University of Maine,	5	Farming,	7
Gorham Normal School,	1	In woolen mill,	2
Gordon Bible School,	1	In paper mill,	1
Business College,	1		

TABLE E.

## OCCUPATION OF GIRLS OF CLASSES 1913-1917 INCLUSIVE.

University of Maine,	1	Telephone Exchange,	2
Bates College,	1	In shoe shop,	3
Colby College,	2	In woolen mill,	2
Business College,	1	Housekeeping,	5
Farmington Normal,	9	Married,	9
Normal Grad. Teaching,	1	Bookkeepers,	3
Teaching,	7	Clerking,	3
Hospital training,	3		

## GRADUATING CLASS OF 1917.

## POST GRADUATES.

*Ruth Flora Chaney	*Mary Florella Pease
*Ruth Elizabeth Clark	†Grace Evelyn Wilder
Mary Donovan	

## GRADUATES.

*Classical Course.*

*Ruth Elizabeth Clark	*Ruth Elizabeth Mosher
†Theodora Dennison	†Grace Evelyn Wilder
*Bernice Eunice Green	

*Scientific Course.*

*Lewis Arley Brown (in 3 years)	*Ivan Ralph Pease
*Mary Florella Pease	*Vance Millard Wells

*English Course.*

Halford Masterman Buker	Bernard Bradley Holland
Jeanette Robertson Bailey	*Madge Elizabeth McKeen
Freda Louise Black	Gilbert Miller
*Merle Wilson Chaney	Caroline Alice McLaughlin
*Marguerite Marie Clarke	*Madge Edna Newell (in 3 years)
*Ruth Flora Chaney	Merl Seth Pratt
Mary Donovan	*Wona Matha Ranger
Durward Laforrest Durrell	*Irma Delle Robbins
*Hazel May Farnum	Orie Lincoln Smith
*Nellie Lida Harnden	*Nellie Delcena Wells

\* Honor Rank.

† High Honor Rank.

The response of academy graduates to the call to service for our country in the present crisis is a test of our product. Not to mention our non-graduates who have enlisted or have been drafted, and taking no account of many who enlisted only to be rejected for one reason or another, our service roll has the names of the following graduates:—

1. F. N. Whittier, A.M., M.D., Medical Corps, 1st Lieut., 1881.
2. Albert Pratt, 1905, U. S. Army.
3. Ernest Dakin, 1906, National Army.
4. Clyde H. Witham, 1908, U. S. Army, 2nd Lieut.
5. Stanley B. Miller, 1909, U. S. Navy.
6. Elsie A. Smith, 1911, Red Cross Nurse.
7. Verdeil C. Thurston, 1911, Medical Corps.
8. Oscar C. Robbins, 1913, Officers' Training Corps.
9. Ralph Ranger, 1914, Officers' Training Corps.
10. Roy Casey, 1915, Aviation Corps.
11. Roland H. Calden, 1916, Aviation Corps.
12. Orie L. Smith, 1917, Coast Artillery.
13. Ivan R. Pease, 1917, U. S. Navy.
14. Gilbert Miller, 1917, American Expeditionary Force.
15. Bernard B. Holland, 1917, U. S. Navy.

In addition to the above there are several others who

have enlisted or been drafted and have not been called to the colors as yet.

The pupils of the school have enthusiastically responded to every call for patriotic service. The boys of the school pledged and have nearly completed payment of \$390 for the Y. M. C. A. War Work. The girls of the school conducted the Red Cross Christmas Membership Drive and enrolled over 300 annual members in the town. The entire school has taken up the purchase of War Savings and Thrift Stamps. Several students purchased Liberty Bonds. The students are preparing an entertainment to raise funds for the local Red Cross Work. Last summer, nearly all of the boys of the school went onto farms to work. This winter several boys have been cutting wood in spare hours. The great majority of the boys are taking part in the physical training which is calculated to make them fit for any service either of peace or of war.

So much for our product, and now to briefly summarize our waste. I want to call your attention to the following statistics:—

TABLE F.  
STATISTICS ON STUDENTS LEAVING SCHOOL BEFORE GRADUATING,  
1913-1918.

	<i>Total Enrolled</i>	<i>Non- graduating</i>	<i>Per cent. Not Graduating</i>		<i>Total</i>
			<i>Boys</i>	<i>Girls</i>	
1913,	30	15	62.5%	35.7%	50%
1914,	18	8	57.1%	36.3%	44.4%
1915,	22	10	30%	58.3%	45.4%
1916,	29	8	33.3%	21.4%	27.5%
1917,	41	12	50%	9.5%	29.2%
1918,	27	10	30%	41.2%	37%
	167	63	Ave. 43.8%	Ave. 33.7%	Ave. 38.7%

TABLE G.

REASONS FOR LEAVING SCHOOL, 1913-1918, 9 CLASSES TO DATE.

Lack of interest in school work,	18
Ill health,	17
Transferred to other schools,	16
Lack of ability to do school work,	11
Lack of home coöperation,	9

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Discipline,	8
Left to marry,	7
Moved from town,	2
War,	2
Death,	1

The question is how many of these pupils could have been and should have been kept in school. The school is not at fault in the case of the 18 pupils who moved from town and entered other schools. Nor does the blame rest upon the school for the loss by death or for the loss by marriage. That leaves 65 who have been lost from 9 classes, an average of nearly 8 per class, for whom the school must be held accountable. It is no excuse to say that we have probably made a better record than other secondary schools of the state. The fact remains that the needs of the country imperatively demand that every boy and every girl of secondary school age should be given a secondary education at the very least. At least they should be given a secondary school education if that education is what it ought to be. The question is for us to make sure that our education is the right sort, and then for parents and teachers to unite in keeping every boy and every girl in school. I have no recommendations to make at this time, but this is the problem which seems most vital for solution in the coming years.

On account of the war, it has not seemed wise to push the business of raising funds for the grading of our athletic field. The field is paid for and we have a good start toward the necessary fund for its grading.

Last spring, it was my pleasure to report that the Hon. D. D. Stewart had given us \$5000 to be added to our endowment fund, bringing the total amount of our invested funds to nearly \$7000.

Wilton Academy has completed fifty years of service for this community, and the graduating exercises of 1917 were a fitting celebration of the 50th anniversary. The Junior Class presented a Colonial Play with appropriate music and the Graduating Class presented a Pageant of

History, which was enthusiastically received by the large number of parents and friends present.

We urgently beg parents and friends to visit the school. An innovation of last year was a regular session of the school held in the evening for the special benefit of visitors. The building was packed with interested parents and friends who seemed to enjoy the school work. Their presence that evening was an inspiration to better school work for many weeks, and I have no doubt that the presence of parents at our regular day sessions would have a similar result.

I wish to remind you that the state department of education is urging us to make physical training, including calisthenics, marching and group and athletic games, a part of our regular curriculum and compulsory for all pupils. The theory that farm labor and household chores are sufficient exercise for growing boys and girls has been exploded by the fact that country boys were found to be in poorer physical condition than city boys, when called before the army surgeons. The per cent. of rejections for physical disability was considerably higher among men coming from rural districts than among them coming from the cities. Maine, in particular, found its boys rated rather low in physical fitness. Physical fitness is a requisite for success in peace no less than in war and we must wake up to the problem. The academy's record of 18 boys and girls lost to school from the classes 1913 to 1921, inclusive, on account of ill-health is but further proof of the need of action. I make no secret of my boast that if I could have had those 18 boys and girls in my physical training classes, I could have saved most of them to health. The day of the doctor is waning—the day of the physical trainer is coming. Some of the very best medical brains of the country are devoting themselves to preventive practice. An increasingly large number of the graduates of our medical colleges, previous to this war, were becoming physical trainers for schools and colleges.

Perhaps the most pressing problem of the coming

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school year will be fuel. We shall endeavor to keep our doors open as our "bit" for the country. The Re-construction Period that is bound to follow this war will demand trained men and women, just as the War itself is calling for trained men and women. The boy or girl who fails to fit himself or herself for the fullest measure of service is a traitor to the country. The town or city which fails to stretch its ability even to the breaking point to keep its schools in full operation is a double traitor—traitor to its children and traitor to our country.

W. G. COLBY,  
*Principal.*





# *Town Warrant.*

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To A. H. Jones, a constable of the town of Wilton, 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 town of Wilton, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the town hall in said town on Monday the fourth day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit :

### ARTICLE 1

To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

### ARTICLE 2.

To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.

### ARTICLE 3.

To hear the report of the municipal officers and act upon the same.

### ARTICLE 4.

To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year, including and hall agent.

### ARTICLE 5.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of schools for the ensuing year.

### ARTICLE 6.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of the poor for the ensuing year.

### ARTICLE 7.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the defraying of town charges for the ensuing year.

## ARTICLE 8.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to repair highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

## ARTICLE 9.

To see what instructions the town will give in regard to expending the money raised for the repairs of highways and bridges.

## ARTICLE 10.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the purchase of school books, repairs and appliances for the ensuing year.

## ARTICLE 11.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise toward paying the town debt or interest on same.

## ARTICLE 12.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the observance of Memorial Day.

## ARTICLE 13.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the purpose of lighting the streets of Wilton, Dryden, East Wilton and East Dixfield.

## ARTICLE 14.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the Free Public Library Association.

## ARTICLE 15.

To see how the taxes shall be collected and when made payable for the ensuing year.

## ARTICLE 16.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the superintendency of our public schools for the ensuing year.

#### ARTICLE 17.

To see if the town will authorize the superintending school committee to make a contract with and pay the trustees of Wilton Academy for the tuition of its scholars qualified to attend such schools, in accordance with Section 84 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statute of 1916.

#### ARTICLE 18.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for this purpose.

#### ARTICLE 19.

To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of fifty dollars for the Wilton Cornet Band, in payment for public concerts.

#### ARTICLE 20.

To see what action the town will take in regard to accepting the trusteeship of the school fund.

#### ARTICLE 21.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay the superintending school committee in the erection of the addition of the Grammar School building in Wilton Village.

#### ARTICLE 22.

To see if the town will vote to discontinue the town way as laid out by the selectmen, leading from the end of the highway near the residence of W. H. Harris to land of George E. Clark on the shore of Wilson Lake.

#### ARTICLE 23.

To see if the town will vote to abate the town tax on the personal property of the East Wilton Woolen Mills for a period of ten years. They having already expended more than \$10,000.00 upon the Walker Mills Company's property on improvements.

#### ARTICLE 24.

To see if the town will appropriate and raise the sum of \$666.00 for the improvement of the section of state aid road as outlined in the report of the state highway commission, in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges, the above amount being the maximum which the town is allowed to raise under the provision of Section 18 of Chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes of 1916.

#### ARTICLE 25.

To see whether the town will vote to raise money, and what sum for the maintenance of state and state aid highways during the ensuing year within the limits of the town, under the provisions of Sections 8 and 17 of Chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes of 1916.

#### ARTICLE 26.

To see if the town will vote to raise \$1,040.00 for hydrant service for the year 1918.

#### ARTICLE 27.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for abatements for the ensuing year.

#### ARTICLE 28.

To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the instruction of music in our common schools for the ensuing year.

#### ARTICLE 29.

To see if the town will vote to maintain a school in the Brown district for the ensuing year.

#### ARTICLE 30.

To see if the town will vote to maintain a school in the Blanchard District for the ensuing year.

### ARTICLE 31.

To see if the town will vote to insure the building in which the town hall is located.

### ARTICLE 32.

To see if the town will vote to instruct its Treasurer to make such temporary loans as may be necessary, said loans to be made upon the approval of the selectmen.

### ARTICLE 33.

To see if the town will vote to appoint an Official War Historian to keep a record of those from Wilton who serve in the present war.

### ARTICLE 34.

To see if the town will vote to grant free use of the Town Hall for war purposes or charitable purposes connected with the war.

### ARTICLE 35.

To see if the town will vote to appoint a finance committee.

### ARTICLE 36.

To see what sum per day the town will vote to pay the selectmen.

### ARTICLE 37.

To see what action the town will take toward procuring more land for the enlargement of Lake View Cemetery and what sum of money shall be raised for said purpose.

## ARTICLE 38.

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

The selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of correcting the list of voters in said town, and hearing and deciding upon the application of persons claiming the right of having their names enter upon said list, at the selectmen's office in said Wilton at two o'clock in the afternoon on the second day of March and at 9 o'clock in the forenoon on the fourth day of March next, A. D. 1918.

Given under our hands this 22nd day of February, A. D. 1918.

O. W. NOYES,	}	Selectmen of Wilton.
C. E. MILLER,		
E. M. BRIDGES,		

# Wilton Academy.

The trustees of Wilton Academy submit the following financial statement for the year ending June 19, 1917.

## RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand June 13, 1916	\$ .96
Rec'd from State Free High School	500.00
Academy appropriation	750.00
Industrial appropriation,	500.00
Wilton tuition of Pupils	2,800.00
Towns and individual tuition	
Balance 1915—16	\$ 20
Towns and individual tuition 1915—16	450
Total tuition	470.00
Rec'd from rent of hall and catalogues	24.50
Rec'd from Student Council	5.50
Hired to pay expenses	950.00
Total receipts	6,000.96

## EXPENDITURES.

Cash paid W. G. Colby, in full	\$1,500.00
R. M. Sanborn, in full	950.00
Mary E. Eaton, in full	600.00
Susan H. Weston, in full	600.00
Louisa M. Talbot, in full	500.00
Janitor, in full	176.00
Fuel	172.01
Franklin Light and Power Co.	40.50
W.G.Colby, (Att. Boston Alumni)	25.00
J. W. Nelson	69.00
Wilton Bank (Prin. and Interest)	1,130.42
Sundries	230.63
Total expenditures	\$5,993.56
Cash on hand	\$7.40

W. J. TREFETHEN, Treasurer.

J. E. Hiscock,	} Executive Committee.
O. N. Blanchard	
J. R. Bass	







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