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# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

OF THE

# Town of Poland, Me.

For the Year Ending Feb. Seventeenth

1920

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MERRILL & WEBBER COMPANY, Printers and Bookbinders,  
AUBURN, MAINE

# TOWN OFFICERS

1919

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*Town Clerk,*

C. C. MITCHELL

*Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor*

C. E. CHIPMAN

W. C. FRANK

F. L. MAYBERRY

*Town Treasurer,*

R. MOORE

*Constables,*

GEO. W. BLAIR

FRED MOORE

W. C. FRANK,

F. L. MAYBERRY

*Collector and Constable,*

ARTHUR B. GRANT

*Road Commissioner,*

F. O. EMERY

*School Committee,*

CHARLES PULSIFER

ALTON KEENE

J. G. DAVIS

*Superintendent of Schools,*

HARRIET M. SPILLER

*Board of Health,*

GEO. E. CHIPMAN

GEO P. PULSIFER

A. R. BERRY

*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*

J. W. BOOTHBY

*Fire Warden,*

ALMON WATERHOUSE

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
OF  
**Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor**

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The annual report of the Town of Poland for the year ending Feb. 17th 1920, is herewith respectfully submitted.

Real Estate, resident	\$661,350 00	
Real Estate, non-resident	232,211 00	
Total real estate		\$893,561 00
Personal estate, resident	\$198,747 00	
Personal estate, non-resident	44,630 00	
Total of personal estate		\$243,377 00
Grand total		\$1,136,938 00

Kinds and valuation of Personal Property

Live Stock	No.	Value
Horses and Mules	301	\$31,640 00
Colts, 3 to 4 years	9	810 00
Colts, 2 to 3 years	5	285 00
Colts under 2 years	6	315 00
Cows	656	36,510 00
Oxen	10	820 00
Three year olds	110	5,843 00
Two year olds	201	7,850 00
Swine	209	5,225 00
Total		\$89,298 00

## Exempt Live Stock

	No.	Value
One year olds	212	\$4,664 00
Sheep	37	370 00
Swine	145	3,725 00

## All Other Kinds of Personal Property

	No.	Value
Bank Stock	147	\$10,344 00
Trust Co. Stock	125	15,625 00
Money at Interest		20,000 00
Stock in Trade		11,825 00
Small Boats		825 00
Logs and Lumber		30,340 00
Carriages	22	1,725 00
Automobiles	95	28,950 00
Musical Instruments	56	5,460 00
Furniture		17,000 00
Finished products at mills		3,000 00
Materials in stock		6,500 00
Other Property		2,485 00
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Amount		\$154,079 00
Live Stock brought forward		89,298 00
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Total amount of personal property		\$243,377 00

## RATE OF TAXATION

\$24.00 on \$1,000.00. Poll tax \$3.00. No. of Polls 382.  
Collector's commission \$.01 on \$1.00.

Agreeable to warrants from State and County-Treasurers and a certificate from the Town Clerk we have assessed upon the Polls and Estates the following sums.

State Tax	\$9,014 98
County Tax	1,922 38
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Total	\$10,937 36

VOTED BY TOWN, MARCH 10th, 1919

Common Schools	\$3,200 00
School text books	275 00
Repairs of school property	500 00
High School tuition	250 00
Common School tuition	250 00
Graduation	50 00
Salary of Superintendent of Schools	162 00
Roads and bridges	4,000 00
Snow bills	1,000 00
Collector's commission and abatements	450 00
West Poland Brass Band	20 00
A. A. Dwinal Post G. A. R.	25 00
School Committee	30 00
Support of Poor	1,500 00
Contingent	800 00
State road	666 00
Maintenance of State Highway	1,200 00
Culvert at head of Shaker Bog	75 00
Permanent road at Minot Corner	300 00
Gravel road from M. Burnham to Elmwood Sta.	150 00
Repair road from State road to F. Walker	1,000 00
Repair Town buildings	250 00
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Total	\$16,153 00
State tax	9,014 98
County Tax	1,922 38
Overlay	1,342 15
Supplemental tax	84 12
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Total commitment to Collector	\$28,516 63

Received from Arthur B. Grant Collector for	
1919	\$28,196 63
Tax deeds bid in by town	18 60
Abatements to Arthur B. Grant	246 20
Uncollected taxes due from A. B. Grant	55 20
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Total	\$28,516 63

## DUE FROM TAX DEEDS

E. F. Gossom, 1913	\$4 90
C. F. Gould, 1913	16 87
John W. Pulsifer, 1913	16 87
John W. Pulsifer, 1914	15 80
Sidney Griffin, 1914	7 88
Heirs of Jonathan Berry, 1914	2 73
Theophilus Barbrick, 1914	4 71
George Records, 1914	16 59
William Tracy, 1914	6 69
Horace Murch, 1915	8 17
John W. Pulsifer, 1915	17 17
Heirs of G. B. Thurston, 1915	6 95
Fred Thurston, 1915	5 62
William Tracy, 1915	6 62
William Hurder, 1916	12 17
Frank C. Price, 1917	3 35
William Tracy, 1917	4 95
Heirs of G. B. Thurston	10 40
Fred Thurston, 1919	4 80
William Tracy, 1919	4 20
Heirs of G. B. Thurston, 1919	9 60
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	\$187 04

## COLLECTOR'S COMMISSION AND ABATEMENTS

Arthur B. Grant, abatements as per bill ,	\$246 20
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Arthur B. Grant, Commission for 1919	284 66
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Total	\$530 86
Appropriated	450 00
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Overdrawn	\$80 86

## CONTINGENT FUND

Appropriated	\$800 00	
Railroad and telegraph	339 78	
Dog tax refunded from State	11 53	
Rent of Howe House	72 00	
Tax Deeds	12 50	
Overlay in assessing	1,342 15	
Interest on Deposit	52 99	
Rent of town hall	4 00	
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Total		\$2,634 95
H. Ricker and Sons, repairs 1918	\$15 77	
Geo. P. Pulsifer, board of health	7 50	
Chas. Rowe, repairs for town hall	90	
C. W. Bailey, ballot clerk	5 00	
Merrill & Webber, printing town reports	57 50	
Geo. W. Blair, posting warrants and collecting dog tax	9 50	
Loring Short and Harmon, town books	28 38	
C. E. Storer, paper and printing	6 50	
W. and L. E. Gurley, supplies for weights and measures	2 45	
Mrs. John Emery, repairs for Howe House	6 00	
Geo. W. Blair, police duty at Poland Corner	10 50	
The Huskins Agency employee's in- surance and bonds	159 79	
Poland Telephone Co.	6 40	
Edwards and Walker, line level	70	



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F. E. Thurlow and others, fighting fires	20 00
C. E. Storer, paper and printing	3 25
Ed. Moody, fighting forest fire	2 00
V. P. Waterhouse, insurance of town buildings	5 60
Geo. W. Blair, fighting fire	5 00
C. A. Strout, fighting fire	5 00
D. B. Giddinge,	50
C. S. Strout, ballot clerk, Sept. election	3 00
C. E. Chipman, cash paid out	52 10
A. R. Berry, ballot clerk 1918 and 1919	4 00
C. W. Bailey, election clerk	3 00
Alvah D. Strout, election clerk	3 00
Geo. W. Blair, posting notices and gate tender	4 00
Geo. P. Pulsifer, expenses to Augusta to Board of health meeting	10 00
H. Ricker and Sons, painting signs	1 75
Merrill and Denning Seal for town Treasurer	13 50
York Co. Mutual Fire Insurance Co., assessments	13 40
C. E. Storer, tax notices	1 25
Miss R. J. Ray, flag for town hall	9 00
W. C. Frank, cash paid out	8 03
H. H. Hay and Sons	8 50
R. Moore, Cash paid out	24 44
Emma Owen, rent for room for Auditor	12 00
Geo. W. Blair, for investigating road on J. Hill	2 00
Ed. Moody, fitting wood and fighting fire	4 00
Chas. Rowe, oil for town hall	1 38
C. C. Mitchell, recording births and deaths	24 86
C. H. Tobie M. D., reporting births and deaths	50

C. B. Rankin, M. D., reporting births and deaths	2 25	
E. A. McCollister, M. D., reporting births and deaths	50	
W. B. Haskell, M. D., reporting births and deaths	2 00	
W. W. Parmalee, M. D., reporting births and deaths	25	
Wm. Ness, M. D., reporting births and deaths	1 00	
C. K. Donnell, M. D., reporting births and deaths	25	
J. I. Sturgis M. D., reporting births and deaths	25	
W. W. Bolster, M. D., reporting births and deaths	1 50	
L. H. Poor, M. D., reporting births and deaths	75	
C. S. Call, M. D., reporting births and deaths	25	
C. E. Chipman, cash paid out	19 01	
Harriett M. Spiller, cash paid out	14 21	
W. C. Frank, bal. on 1918 salary	26 30	
C. C. Mitchell, town clerk 1918	11 50	
L. A. McKnight, salary for 1918	63 75	
Robert Moore, salary for 1918	75 00	
C. E. Chipman, bal. on salary 1918	97 50	
W. C. Frank, part pay on 1919 salary	75 96	
F. L. Mayberry, part pay on salary 1919	89 88	
Poland Telephone Co.,	12 35	
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Total		\$1,060 91
Unexpended		1,574 04
From this paid money hired in 1917		1,000 00
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		\$574 04

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Appropriation	\$162 00	
Harriett M. Spiller	149 38	
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Unexpended		\$12 62

## SCHOOL BOARD

Appropriation		\$30 00
J. G. Davis	\$10 00	
C. L. Pulsifer	10 00	
Due Elton Keene	10 00	
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		\$30 00

## MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation		\$45 00
West Poland Brass Band	\$20 00	
A. A. Dwinal Post, G. A. R.	25 00	
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		\$45 00

## RESOURCES

Due from tax deeds	\$187 04	
Arthur Morse, note	148 21	
Due from Starks	20 96	
Cash on hand Feb. 17th, 1920	3,732 09	
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Total		\$4,088 30

## LIABILITIES

Due Town officers, estimated	\$525 00	
Other bills	350 00	
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Total liabilities		\$875 00

## REPORT OF OVERSEERS OF POOR

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### A. W. HACKETT FUND

Interest received 1919		\$498 63
Alton Berry	\$110 68	
Vernet Winslow	134 22	
Jesse Chick	89 50	
Gilbert York	12 50	
George Walker	54 50	
Wesley Herriek	96 00	
Total		\$497 40
Unexpended		\$1 13

### TOWN FARM

Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Needham have again been hired at an increased salary. Every thing having increased in price, it was necessary to give a higher salary to any one, we may have been able to hire. And as Mr. and Mrs. Needham have given general satisfaction, throughout town and a good report from the State Board of Charities and Corrections, we felt we could do not better, than retain them for another year.

Inmates at the Farm during the year

Gerge W. Perkins, 74; E. M. Reed, 71; Lloyd Orr, 20, Sarah Winslow.

## TOWN FARM

Dr.

To 2 Horses	\$500 00
8 Cows,	700 00
5 Two year olds	375 00
28 Hens,	28 00
2 Hogs	50 00
24 Tons hay,	432 00
2 Bags cow feed,	6 14
5 Bags meal	14 50
1 Bag C. S. meal,	3 35
1 Bag gluten	3 20
7 Bags bran,	16 45
6 Bags ground oats,	9 20
1 Bag corn,	2 90
15 Bu. potatoes	17 75
1 Bu. beans,	6 00
1 Bbl. apples,	3 50
10 Cords wood,	60 00
6 Cans corn,	1 20
100 Lbs. Salt Pork,	32 00
50 Lbs. Ham,	20 00
100 Lbs. Sugar,	9 60
1 Bbl. flour,	11 40
Groceries on hand,	10 00
60 Cans canned goods,	20 00
Charles Rowe, supplies	11 55
F. G. Davis & Co., supplies,	21 05
A. J. Weston Co., supplies,	17 02
F. L. Mayberry, grain,	51 62
E. C. Jordan, groceries and supplies	356 78
W. R. Harris, supplies and repairs,	15 90
Casco Farmers Union, grain,	805 94
P. E. Needham, cash advanced for cutting wood, labor on farm and two cows, and clothing for poor,	538 29

J. F. Strout, smithwork,	6 25
C. L. Brooks, smithwork,	5 00
Haskell Implement and Seed Co., plow and seed	29 79
Kenyon and Way, bed and bedding,	57 25
Abbott Eros. bedding,	16 60
B. Peck Co., dry goods,	11 00
Ernest A. Eastman, fitting wood	11 00
E. A. Libby, lumber	8 25
L. H. McCollister, grain	58 73
A. L. and E. F. Goss Co.,	7 12
Mrs. Annie Landberg, care Sarah Winslow,	29 00
R. A. Keene & Son, canning,	24 55
J. W. Pratt, for work,	15 89
C. N. Scribner, smithwork,	7 65
J. B. Ham, grain,	45 81
F. Guy Campbell, clothing,	8 05
P. E. Needham, salary,	500 00
G. H. Hutchins, M. D.,	6 00
Poland Telephone Co.,	7 40
M. F. Burnham, smith work,	3 00
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Total	\$5,008 50

## TOWN FARM

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By 2 Horses,	\$500 00
7 Cows,	630 00
30 Hens	60 00
12 Tons hay,	300 00
6 Bags, dairy ration,	21 00
3 Bags, C. S. Meal,	12 30
3 Bags, bran,	7 95
2 Bags, gluten,	7 70
2 Bags, mixed feed,	5 70
9 Bags, ground oats,	19 80
1 Bag oats,	2 20

1 Bag corn,	3 30
1 Bag meal,	3 30
50 lbs. meat scraps	2 00
65 bu. potatoes,	130 00
1 bbl. apples,	2 00
40 cans corn,	6 00
50 cans fruit,	20 00
2 bbls. flour,	26 00
Groceries on hand,	10 00
300 lbs. Salt pork,	90 00
30 lbs lard,	10 50
2 cords wood for Town house	22 00
23 cords wood school houses, due,	184 00
5 bu. beans	40 00
Estimated due for milk from Coon Ice Cream Co.	100 00
Milk stock and farm produce sold,	2,106 43
Due from Roscoe Tufts,	16 48
Due from Will Bridgham	12 48
Due from V. Saunders,	8 00
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Total	\$4,359 14
Bal. against farm	649 54

## SUPPORT OF POOR OFF OF FARM

Algernon Cox,	\$68 68
James H. Taylor,	56 70
Colby Berry and family,	479 22
W. B. Haskell, Town, M. D., 1919	60 00
E. A. McCollister, M. D., medical at- tendance,	13 00
E. H. Field,	14 00
Forest Winslow,	2 50
Gladys Chick, hospital bill,	69 36
Sarah Winslow,	71 97
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	\$835 43

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS

Emerson Thurlow, Bethel,	\$35 25	
Mrs. Chas. Sterry's child, Stark due	20 96	
Guy May, unknown,	18 01	
		\$74 22

Total cost of Poor off Farm	\$909 65	
Bal. against farm,	649 14	
		\$1,558 79

Appropriated	\$1,500 00	
Received from Bethel,	. 35 25	
Received from State, for burial expense,	35 00	
		\$1,570 25

Unexpended,		\$11 46
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DEPENDENTS OF SOLDIERS, SAILORS, MARINES

Mrs. Mary S. Malley,	\$22 00	
Mrs. Aaron S. Thurston,	71 42	
		\$93 42
Received from State for 1918 and 1919		847 46

HENS KILLED BY WILD ANIMALS

S. M. Foster,	\$8 00	
W. W. McCann,	66 50	
		\$74 50
Received from State,		72 50
		\$2 00



Appropriated for Repairs on Town building		\$250 00
Town Farm buildings	\$133 72	
Town Hall,	33 12	
	<hr/>	\$166 84
Uncxpended		<hr/> \$73 16

We would recommend the following appropriations for 1920.

Roads and bridges,	\$5,500 00
Snow bills,	2,500 00
Support of Poor,	2,000 00
Collector's Com. and Abatements,	500 00
Contingent,	1,200 00
Patrol	1,200 00

By vote of the town the books have been audited by Jordan and Jordan, and found correct with the exception of a few small errors. A partial report will be printed in the reports. We have also paid the \$1,000, owing at the last annual meeting without appropriation for same.

Respectfully Submitted

C. E. CHIPMAN,

W. C. FRANK

F. L. MAYBERRY

Selectmen of Poland

## ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

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### COMMON ROADS

F. O. Emery, Commissioner,	\$667 75
J. F. Emery,	738 92
Roy Winslow	475 50
Frank Woodman,	30 00
Roland Strout	21 00
George Walker	137 51
Perley Trumble	226 08
John Berlin	230 76
L. H. Curtis	279 00
G. E. Ham	250 00
O. E. Tripp	195 00
Royal Cobb	190 13
V. E. Winslow	69 00

### MISCELLANEOUS

J. F. Strout, blacksmithing Pd. by R. Winslow	\$ 4 25
Geo. R. Inglis, doctoring horse,	48 25
E. W. Megquier,	4 50
W. R. Harris, harness repair	1 05
R. Moore, freight	8 90
J. Thurlow, cutting bushes	19 25
G. F. Davis, boarding team	2 00
Mrs. D. Giddinge, boarding team	2 00
R. G. Verrill, roak work,	13 00
Good Roads Mfg. Co., repairs	31 16
Jennie Emery, boarding team	10 00
R. Moore	3 06

C. N. Scribner, shoeing horse,	2 50
Annie J. Davis, boarding team	12 00
Good Roads Mfg. Co., culverts	26 40
James Thurlow, cutting bushes	33 00
E. W. Chipman, posts, railing,	2 80
Chas. W. Chipman, boarding team	20 00
Chester Strout, cutting bushes,	8 25
R. Moore, express	7 47
Abel Pulkkinen, road work	6 00
C. C. Giddinge, boarding team	3 00
Mrs. Annie J. Davis, boarding team	14 00
Mrs. E. W. Strout, boarding team	10 00
Jennie Emery, boardng team	48 00
Good Roads Mfg. Co., repairs	40 90
Earl Martin, cutting bushes	4 50
H. R. Perkins, roadwork	1 50
Lester Thurlow, road work,	3 00
N. T. Cobb, cutting bushes	4 25
Geo. N. Winslow, boarding team	17 00
Kenneth Tripp, raking rocks	3 00
W. S. Frank, road work	4 00
Albert Hale, road work,	3 00
C. E. Thayer, road work	3 00
C. H. Mills, road work	15 00
Jennie Emery, boarding team	12 00
W. S. Frank, road work	4 00
Good Roads Mfg. Co., culverts	19 20
G. R. Inglis, doctoring horse	8 00
Jennie Emery, boardng team	8 00
A. J. Emery, taking care of horse	2 80
A. F. Emery, road work	30 00

## COMMON ROADS

Mrs. James Good, hay,	\$21 30
Roy McCleary, straw	15 39
F. L. Mayberry, grain	3 20

L. B. Grant, road work,	9 00
Gray Milling Co., grain	153 86
C. D. Austin, road work	41 00
F. D. Edwards, road work	9 62
M. F. Burnham, blacksmithing,	14 00
Herbert Felker, road work	17 50
A. J. Weston Co., repairs	1 75
F. C. Wescott, road work	9 90
Levi Stone, road work	16 82
Casco Farmers' Union, grain	9 30
Roy McCleary, road work	31 50
Gray Milling Co., grain	343 68
C. L. Brooks, blacksmithing,	3 20
F. L. Maybery, tiling,	69 63
J. L. Keene, straw,	8 00
O. S. Keene, estate, hay	88 65
R. A. Keene, road work	33 00
T. P. Marcotte, blacksmithing,	7 05
M. S. Hancock, plank	34 00
F. S. Keene, gravel,	4 60
Hiram Ricker & Sons, blacksmithing,	13 68
Mrs. I. P. Davis, gravel,	1 20
R. W. Hanscom, cutting bushes,	7 37
Ernest S. Tripp, cutting bushes,	10 00
F. E. Thurlow, cutting bushes,	4 50
Frank D. Plummer, road work,	2 50
A. J. Weston Co., repairs,	15 44
F. O. Bailey, harnesses,	117 15
E. H. Hale, hay,	36 00
T. P. Marcotte, blacksmithing,	10 25
Bailey Bros. grain,	72 65
Gray Milling Co., grain	143 02
Casco Farmers' Union, grain	41 00
F. L. Mayberry, straw	22 13
Elliot & Flanders, plank,	28 26
Gray Milling Co., grain,	155 00
C. D. Austin, road work,	31 50

R. G. Verrill, cutting bushes,	6 00	
Casco Farmers' Union,	29 50	
R. A. Keene, road work,	6 00	
T. P. Marcotte, blacksmithing,	12 80	
Hiram Ricker & Sons, blacksmithing,	3 00	
F. P. Megquire, hay,	42 29	
W. R. Harris, harness, repairs,	8 10	
W. H. Storer, blacksmithing,	103 67	
J. B. Ham Co., grain	76 92	
M. F. Burnham, blacksmithing,	6 50	
O. S. Keene estate, hay,	77 10	
Elmer Tripp, road work,	3 37	
T. J. Strout, road work,	3 85	
F. O. Bailey & Co., blankets for horses,	22 25	
J. H. King, hay	62 29	
F. L. Mayberry, straw,	2 98	
E. A. Libby, lumber,	26 93	
Casco Farmers' Union, grain	81 63	
Hiram Ricker & Sons, road work,	3 44	
C. E. Chipman, road work,	8 40	
F. C. Wescott, cutting bushes,	29 34	
A. J. Doughty, hay,	36 34	
Roy McCleary, hay,	27 50	
R. Moore, freight,	6 18	
E. C. Durgin, cutting bushes,	15 00	
E. C. Jordan, supplies and repairs,	111 86	
Patrol work,	825 00	
		\$7,350 48

## COMMON ROADS

## Appropriation

Roads and bridges	\$4,000 00
Patrol	1,200 00
Town team work on State road,	266 00

Town team work on Cobb's bridge road,	152 00	
Town team work on Giddinge road,	104 00	
Town team work on L. McKnight road,	32 00	
Town team snow work,	60 00	
Hauling wood for John Berlin	16 50	
Hauling ice for Coon Ice Cream Co.,	24 50	
Hauling lumber for John Goodall,	428 00	
Working for State,	127 40	
Horse dressing sold F. L. Mayberry,	2 00	
Work on State road in Casco,	159 75	
Hauling gravel for C. L. Keene,	50 75	
Hauling gravel for B. M. Fernald,	192 75	
Hauling freight for C. E. Storer,	5 52	
Horse dressing sold Lake Tripp Camp,	57 00	
Hauling ice for Coon Ice Cream Co.,	42 00	
Hauling hay for H. E. Goodwin,	28 00	
Hauling wood for A. B. Walton,	40 00	
Town team work for H. Ricker & Sons,	215 00	
Town team hauling ice for Summit Springs Due,	75 00	
Town team hauling lumber for L. B. Grant,	44 00	
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Total		\$7,322 17
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Overdrawn		\$28 31

## STATE ROAD

V. E. Winslow	\$97 50
Roy Winslow	100 50
John Berlin	39 00
G. E. Ham	88 50
Perley Trumble	79 50
J. F. Emery	108 25
Lester Thurlow	100 50

Royal Cobb	87 00	
Lester Strout	74 00	
Wallace Hover	4 50	
Guy Ranny	16 50	
F. O. Emery	157 50	
W. S. Frank	120 00	
G. W. Blair	16 00	
Roland Strout	30 00	
R. E. Nason	9 33	
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Labor		\$1,128 58
Town team 33 $\frac{1}{4}$ da. @ \$8		266 00
1 Ton Cement		24 50
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Total		\$1,419 08
Received from State	\$739 09	
Voted by town	666 00	
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		\$1,405 09
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Overdrawn		\$13 99

## COBB'S BRIDGE

George Frank	\$10 50
V. E. Winslow	66 00
Roy Winslow	66 00
Perley Trumble	40 50
W. S. Frank	80 00
Royal Cobb	69 00
G. E. Ham	63 00
C. H. Mills	54 00
J. F. Emery	71 50
L. B. Grant	22 50
F. O. Emery	99 00
G. W. Blair	64 00

A. R. Hale	36 00	
Lester Strout	26 00	
C. E. Thayer	14 00	
Hiram Ricker and Sons, railing	60 00	
Hiram Ricker and Sons, iron rods and bolts	38 97	
Town team	152 00	
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Total		\$1,032 97
Appropriated		1,000 00
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Overdawn		\$32 97

## GIDDINGE ROAD

J. F. Emery	\$42 25	
Roy Winslow	39 00	
G. E. Ham	39 00	
Perley Trumble	39 00	
John Berlin	39 00	
F. O. Emery	58 50	
Royal Cobb	39 00	
Abel Pulkkinen	25 50	
Abel Pulkkinen, clay	7 50	
L. H. Curtis	30 00	
Levi Stone	56 00	
Levi Stone, grading	20 60	
C. S. Pulsifer	52 50	
W. S. Frank	12 00	
Geo. Frank	6 00	
Lester Thurlow	3 00	
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Labor		\$508 85
Town team 13 days @ \$8		104 00
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Total		\$612 85
Apropriated	\$300 00	



Unexpended in 1918	300 00	
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Overdrawn		\$600 00
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Overdrawn		\$12 85

## CHIPMAN ROAD

Perley Trumble	\$11 00	
J. F. Emery	12 00	
E. W. Chipman	3 00	
L. H. Curtis	12 00	
John Berlin	8 25	
Roy Winslow	11 00	
Royal Cobb	11 00	
F. O. Emery	13 50	
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Total		\$81 75
Appropriated by town		\$75 00
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Overdrawn		\$6 75

## McKNIGHT ROAD

Roy Winslow	\$11 00	
J. F. Emery	12 00	
John Berlin	11 00	
Perley Trumble	11 00	
G. E. Ham	12 00	
Geo. Walker	11 00	
F. O. Emery	18 00	
Roy McCleary	21 00	
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Labor		\$107 00
Town team 4 days @ \$8		32 00
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Total		\$139 00

Appropriated

\$150 00

Unexpended

\$11 00

## SNOW WORK

Theo. Barbrick	\$11 88	
H. E. Hanscom	4 00	
M. E. Rideout	3 50	
Wilber Keene	2 00	
G. W. Walker	5 40	
L. B. Grant	1 00	
C. W. Sawyer	2 25	
J. E. Keene	4 75	
F. D. Edwards	5 75	
W. E. Keene	9 00	
E. C. Keene	3 10	
Charles Lane	6 00	
O. S. Keene estate, snow road	5 00	
E. W. Smith	7 30	
A. W. Martin	6 50	
G. M. Jordan	16 50	
W. W. Huston	7 63	
Roy McCleary and others	36 00	
Geo. Tripp	46 64	
Wesley Strout	4 50	
J. F. Emery	29 50	
F. O. Emery	40 50	
V. E. Winslow, snow fence	34 50	
E. E. Winslow, snow fence	6 00	
C. H. Mills, snow fence	25 50	
Roy Winslow, snow fence	3 00	
A. F. Emery	15 00	
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Town team breaking roads 7½ @ \$8	\$60 00
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	\$214 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$402 70</b>
Appropriated	\$1,000 00
Amount unexpended	597 30

Respectfully submitted

F. O. EMERY  
Road Commissioner

## REPORT OF TREASURER

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R. MOORE, Treasurer in account with Town of Poland  
for year ending February 17th, 1920.

To Balance from 1919	\$3,094 42
Rec'd from State Treas. acct.	
Dependant Families, Soldiers and Sailors	847 46
Rec'd from State Treas, burial soldiers	35 00
Rec'd from State Treas. improvement State roads	739 09
Rec'd from State Treas. highway dept.	29 34
Rec'd from State Treas. damage domestic animals	72 00
Rec'd from State Treas. reimbursed State Aid	327 00
Rec'd from State Treas, dog licence refund	11 53
Rec'd from State Treas. School and Mill fund	1,099 17
Rec'd fram State Treas. common schools	1,813 67
Rec'd from State Treas. R. R. & Telegraph Co.	339 78
Rec'd from State Treas. Free High School	300 00
Rec'd from Town Clerk, dog license	119 00
Rec'd from Town Clerk, acct. dogs	6 00
Rec'd from Town Clerk, Hall rent	4 00
Fidelity Trust Co., interest checking acct.	52 99
Interest Bank books, 9138 and 9139	74 64
Interest from Grange	133 99
Grange paid on note	150 00
Lewiston Bonds interest	40 00
H. Ricker & Son, bond interest	250 00
Rent Howe House, J. Emery	72 00
Town Minot, tuition	611 24
Town Bethel, pauper	35 25

C. W. Ricker, tax deed	12 50
License Picture Show	7 50
E. C. Jordan, check over paid	14 90
F. L. Mayberry, check over paid	3 26
Freeman Bailey, poll tax 1918	3 00
Town Team Credits	2,005 17
Town Farm credits	2,106 43
A. B. Grant, collector	28,461 43
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	\$42,871 76

## Cr.

Selectmen's Orders	\$26,301 97
Paid State Aid	327 00
State Tax	9,014 98
County tax	1,922 38
Dog tax	119 00
Bank book acct. Hackett fund, borrowed	1,150 00
Treasurer, credited by	
Auditor's check acct.	
No. credits on Tax deeds	294 61
former years and errors adding town orders	9 73
Balance in Treas Feb. 17, 1920	3,732 09
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	\$42,871 76

Respectfully submitted

R. MOORE, Treas.

## A. W. HACKETT FUND

	Dr.	Cr.
To Bank book, 9138	\$500 00	
Bank book, 9139	3,390 27	
Lewiston City bonds	1,000 00	
H. Ricker and Sons, bonds	5,000 00	
Excelsior Grange Note	2,500 00	
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	\$12,390 27	\$12,390 27

## LANE CEMETERY FUND

	Dr.	Cr.
To Bank Book, 28,116	\$52 35	
Bank Book 28,417	155 40	
Bank Book 1,895	128 63	
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	\$306 38	\$306 38
	R. MOORE, Treas.	

## WHITE OAK HILL CEMETERY FUND

	Dr.	Cr.
Bank book 15,637	\$563 06	\$563 06
	R. MOORE, Treas.	

## REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

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Poland, Maine, February 21, 1920

To the Citizens of Poland:—

In submitting our annual report of the Board of Health for the past year, will say that more cases were reported than for a number of years.

There were 7 cases of Mumps, 6 of Influenza, 5 of Scarlet Fever, 4 of Tuberculosis and 1 of Typhoid Fever. There was one nuisance complaint, and we have disinfected seven buildings.

Respectfully submitted

GEO. E. CHIPMAN  
GEO. P. PULSIFER  
A. R. BERRY

**REPORT OF J. W. BOOTHBY  
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

	Poland, Maine.		
	Tested	Adjusted	Condemned
No. of Scales	64	10	3
No. of Weights	120	8	
Liquid Measures	18	3	
Dry Measures	13	3	
Oil Pumps	13	7	
Yard Sticks	7	OK	

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**REPORT OF THE FIRE WARDEN FOR THE  
YEAR ENDING 1919**

Feb. 17, 1920

In my report as Fire Commissioner I wish to say that we have had but one fire in Town for the last year, that was the Buildings formerly owned by Charles Nevins and now owned by Hiram Ricker & Sons. This fire as near as I could find out was caused by an overheated chimney. Partially insured.

ALMON WATERHOUSE



## SCHOOL REPORT

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The Superintending School Committee recommend the following appropriations for 1920.

Common Schools	\$5,800 00
General repairs	300 00
Text books and supplies	200 00
Graduation	50 00
High School tuition	500 00

Respectfully submitted

CHARLES L. PULSIFER

E. C. KEENE

J. G. DAVIS

Supt. School Committee

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To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Poland.

I have the pleasure of submitting my second annual report of your schools.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

I wish to call your attention to the above figures submitted by your committee.

After careful consideration of the needs of the schools these sums are found to be the least possible amounts with which we can hope to make our schools efficient.

We do not claim that in these times when all prices

are subject to change almost by leaps and bounds, that this is sufficient.

We believe that it is not possible to tell what it will cost.

## SCHOOLS

School officials have been beset by two compelling forces during the past year.

On the one hand they have been confronted with high wages; and on the other high prices of all commodities, that go to make up the working plant of the school, the demand for which has not been lessened.

We feel that the ever approaching crest of high wages has arrived and it becomes a grave problem for school officials to know how to keep the teaching force intact and yet keep anywhere within reasonable bounds of justifiable expense with the lure of more remunerative occupations always at hand.

We feel fortunate indeed to have kept anywhere near an even keel during the times of stress which have not yet passed.

There never has been a time when it was so necessary to employ the services of two dollars to do the work ordinarily done by one as at present. With the wage scale in other lines of work increasing as much as 100% and many commodities employed in school work having increased in some instances 400% we feel that after talking over each school account, item by item, that even the most critical must grant that the recommendations for the schools for next year, must meet the demand of the present at least and then we do not feel sure that this will prove adequate.

Thousands of public schools have been forced to close their doors, not because the teachers have "gone on strike" but because they have found the teaching vocation so unprofitable, with all living costs rising and salar-

ies stationary, or nearly so, that they have forsaken their desks for other work which promises a living wage.

The attendant falling off in the number of pupils in the state normal schools, amounting in some states to 50% points to a sharp curtailment in the natural sources of supply, resulting in fewer teachers and teachers less well trained.

There is but one remedy. It is to be found in a general awakening of the public mind and the public conscience to seriousness of the situation and a concerted and persistent effort for an increase in teachers salaries, corresponding as far as may be, to the increase in other vocations.

The proper training of the children of this generation is surely no small matter to be dismissed with a shrug of the shoulders.

It is a serious business for which adequate provision cannot be made too soon. The town that offers a teacher a 10 per cent increase in her salary is like the lazy trooper who, in order to quiet his restless hungry steed, threw down a few small nubbins with the remark "Now bust yourself". A fifty per cent increase will be more just.

#### WHAT SOME TOWNS ARE DOING

Orono, not less than \$22 to any grade teacher.

Sanford, all teachers \$150 increase.

Tremont, 30 per cent increase.

Mt. Desert, 20 per cent making average in that town \$18.80 per week.

#### WHAT WILL YOU DO?

It is not for the sake of the teachers that we ask this.

Schools are not maintained for the benefit of the teachers.

## EQUALIZATION FUND

The equalization fund to the amount of \$50,000 annually, is distributed to towns wherein the rate of taxation for common school purposes and for all municipal purposes are in excess of the average of those rates for the State. Tabulations have been prepared, rates determined, reports received and studied and recommendations made to the State Supt. of Schools, relative to the amounts and purposes of the sums so apportioned, apportionments were made to 162 towns and plantations. The average of the rates were as follows, for common school purposes, .004, for municipal purposes, .028 in the year 1918.

## HYGIENE TEACHING

The study of physiology and hygiene, required in every school, has gradually developed from a study of the functions of the bones, muscles and other organs to a study of health habits with the reasons for them, and a campaign to encourage the formation of these habits.

It is vastly more important that a child should learn how to use a tooth brush, and form the habit of using it, than that he should know the number of molars and bicuspids, or even be able to show up by intricate diagram the circulation of the blood.

Parents can help their children a great deal in this matter of forming correct habits of living.

## TEACHERS

During the fall term we were not employing an inexperienced teacher in town. The winter term finds us less fortunate, having lost Miss Leach. Miss Leach is a valuable teacher. We greatly regret this loss. Our present average weekly wage is \$13.45. When we consider this fact we must still claim that we are most fortunate. Our teachers are conscientious, faithful and efficient.

I am most sincere when I say that your schools are in excellent condition.

### THE HELPING TEACHER

During the summer, Miss Isabel J. Verrill spent six weeks at the summer school at Castine. While there she was trained in the best methods and in special work for the rural school. She returned to us prepared to build up her school by introducing the methods and the special features in which she had been trained.

This she has done. Her school has been greatly benefited and improved.

All who have watched must have observed the progress made in this school: She has carried out as far as she could the plans and purposes of the course taken.

Miss Verrill has a big undertaking. With an ungraded school made up of thirty-two different personalities and abilities her hands have been too full.

She has met conditions with the right spirit and while do not claim perfection we do feel that desired results have been obtained.

We had hoped that Miss Verrill could visit other teachers and that other teachers could visit her.

On account of lack of money to be used for transportation and not feeling that we could ask teachers already receiving insufficient salaries to bear this expense this plan has not been carried out. Now that her organization is completed we hope to see our way to do more during the Spring term.

### AGRICULTURAL COURSE

#### The Purpose

It is recognized by leaders of agricultural work that in order to carry on farm work profitably, the farmer must work scientifically and intelligently.

If he, engaged in the one industry and labor which

stands unorganized, is to meet the high cost of production due to increased prices in all those items which go into this cost of production, such as grain, machinery, fertilizers, etc.; if he is to meet the problems involved in the scarcity of labor, the high cost of his own living, then he must learn to produce economically.

It is the aim of this agricultural course in the high schools to teach the scientific principles underlying economic production, that the student may add these to practical, every day farming for profitable production.

To briefly summarize the aims; (1) to give those who choose agriculture as a vocation the scientific principles underlying profitable production.

(2) to combine with this teaching of scientific principles, practical work.

(3) to give the student at the same time a liberal education in the regular academic studies.

## THE METHOD

The scientific principles are taught by means of the text book, experiments in the laboratory, and field trips in so far as time and equipment will permit.

The practical work comes in what we call home profits. The boy grows an acre of potatoes, corn, pigs, etc; on the home farm during the summer.

This results in:

(1) learning to apply the principles he has been taught in school, and develop powers of observation. (2) gaining managerial ability through meeting the various problems which constantly arise. (3) learning to keep accounts and the value of products since he must keep records of all costs and receipts, taking the project through from the preparation of the land to the disposal of the crop. (4) gaining in practical experience through his work and the advice from his father and the teacher.

## SUBJECTS TAUGHT

First year, Ag. 1. Soils and Fertilizers, Farm Crops.

Second year, Ag II. Poultry, Dairying.

Third year, Ag. III. Agricultural Engineering, Farm Management, Vegetable Gardening.

Fourth year, Ag. IV Animal Husbandry, Fruit Growing.

These courses are taught by combining the Freshman and Sophomores; the Juniors and Seniors, this offering two of the courses each year. This year we are offering Ag. I. The management of soils and fertilizers in their relation to crop production. Farm crops is the study of the crops themselves and their culture.

Ag. IV. Animal Husbandry is a study of farm animals; their feed and care. Fruit growing is a study of culture and handling of fruits.

## THE ENROLLMENT

Freshmen, 3

Sophomores, 6

Juniors, 4

Seniors, 4

The success of the course depends on the cooperation of pupils, teacher and parents. The liberal support of the citizens is earnestly solicited.

EARLE L. EMERY

Supervisor of Agriculture

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## HIGH SCHOOL STANDARDS AND STUDY REQUIREMENTS

If we are to maintain high standards for our work in the high school there must be a fair understanding of our

aims, by those who have pupils in the school. There is not a pupil in the school who cannot do the work without some home study. Yet I find that many pupils are trying to make their parents believe that they do not have to do any home studying. Such is not the case. Those who do the best work prepare two or more subjects at home.

When parents see that the rank of the pupil is below what it should be they should require closer application to the business of the school by the pupil.

No pupil can do consistent work by being out of the home every evening or by not having regular study periods for definite subjects each evening through the week.

This applies as well to the grades as to the high school.

### THE HIGH SCHOOL IN OUR UNION

We have enrolled in the Mechanic Falls High School 76 pupils.

Minot sends seventeen.

Poland seventeen; Hebron one and 41 are from Mechanic Falls.

This give us a fine student body with which to work

Last year the towns of both Minot and Poland voted money which has been used to add the course outlined in this report.

This has been a great help to our school for which we want to express our sincere appreciation.

With a teaching force of four we are much better able to keep up the standard of work desired.

Students from the Town of Poland attending Mechanic Falls High School.

1. Oscar Needham.
2. Evelyn Brown.
3. Floribel Brown.
4. Leslie Grant.
5. Ella Chase.



6. Phebe Strout.
7. Virgil Johnson.
8. Kenneth Kimball.
9. Avis Strout.
10. Willis Kimball.
11. Henry Pulsifer.
12. Chester Stone.
13. Millard Lowe.
14. Norris Hanscom.
15. Edmund Briggs.
16. Charles Huston.
17. Earle Bailey (Fall term).
18. Enoch Perkins (Fall term).

### BOOKS

The new English books of which we were thinking last year have been introduced.

They are a delight to the teachers and I hope are appreciated by the pupils.

This new book is called "Elson's Good English". It aims to teach the pupil to write and speak English correctly rather than the subject of Technical Grammar.

A complete introduction has been made and all pupils are receiving equal opportunities. Supplementary Readers for grades one, two, three, and four have been supplied. The Aldine system having become somewhat depleted has been replenished.

Your schools are well supplied with modern text books.

### WRITING

Pupils who have secured Palmer buttons for improvement in writing are Nathan Conover.

Methyl Chick and Frances Smith have received honorable mention for the completion of entire course.

## ATTENDANCE

We wish to thank the parents who have co-operated with us to secure regular and punctual attendance, and who have promptly sent excuses for cases of necessary absence and tardiness.

Very few cases have been brought to our attention. I feel that the right spirit exists and that the parents are helping us.

By so doing you are helping the child to form the habit of being on time at school and on time in his vocation in later years and are greatly increasing his chances for advancement.

## THE NOON LUNCHEON

The hot lunch is very helpful to the pupils who bring their dinners. The plan is to serve one hot dish every day during the coldest part of the fall and winter terms.

We began our lunches the sixth week of the fall term. Each pupil brings his own cup, bowl, spoon and plate, and furnishes a certain portion of the dinner.

Two of the pupils are chosen each week to prepare the lunch and do the dishes.

We have a fund to purchase necessary dry groceries, such as cocoa and sugar.

Each pupil brings a small sum.

Our menu for the first three weeks was as follows:

Mon.-Cocoa

Tues. Mashed potato.

Wed. Corn chowder.

Thurs. Bean stew.

Fri. Tomato bisque.

We varied this, and I included vegetables and fish later.

More than half of the pupils bring their dinners, and all seem very much interested in our new plan.

Some of those living near the school house also enjoy it.

The plan is beneficial both to the teacher and pupils in many ways, and is one of the greatest helps in solving the problem of noon hour discipline.

ISABEL J. VERRILL

Teacher of the South Poland School

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### SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT LEAGUE

The first Improvement League was organized in 1898. Its purpose is to bring parents, teacher and pupils together in a movement to improve physical conditions in the schools.

Our league was organized Oct. 3, 1919. At the first meeting we chose a name and elected officers. Each pupil pays weekly dues of one cent. Every two weeks, on Friday afternoon we have our meetings. We have a short literary program after the business meeting.

On Roosevelt's birthday, we arranged a special program. We have purchased pins, and each one has a certificate of membership.

During this term we are planning to have an entertainment, charging admission. This money we shall add to our present fund, to be used to buy whatever we think is most needed in the school room.

ISABEL J. VERRILL

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### THE LONGFELLOW SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT

The Longfellow School improvement League which was started by Miss Marion Emerson in the Hardscrabble School district has done some very commendable work. During the fall term or six weeks that Miss Emerson was

there the League purchased a fine Victrola at a cost of \$150, also some good records.

We are very sorry to lose Miss Emerson. She is a young woman of splendid spirit and rare ability as leader and teacher of young lives.

## REPAIRS

To go carefully into detail in regard to repairs would be almost endless.

At Poland Corner extensive repairs have been made. A fine hard wood floor has been laid in both the school room and anteroom. The underpinning has been reset and cemented in two different places. The ceiling plastered and whitened; one side of the roof has been shingled also the belfry. In fact this building is in a condition that meets the State requirements. It can be classed as a Standard School Building.

At White Oak Hill a new hard wood floor has been laid in the anteroom, two new doors supplied, the toilet has been zined and the windows repaired.

At West Poland the underpinning has been reset.

The interior has been plastered in several places. The new chimney has been plastered and the finish has been completed.

A new building has been built in which to install the new chemical system. The system is at the building and all work has been completed but the installation. I regret greatly to have to report this work incomplete. Circumstances that were unavoidable prevented the work being completed as planned until that the weather got too severe.

This will be completed as soon as the frost is out sufficiently. We hope that you may be able to understand how hard it has been to get work done during the past season.

At Hardscrabble the ceiling has been whitened and

the walls thoroughly cleaned. At Tripp City considerable damage was done by someone breaking into the building. This has been repaired.

We have tried to answer every call promptly. No minor repairs we believe have been neglected. All toilets and buildings have been thoroughly cleaned and have been kept as neat as the home of a careful housekeeper. This is our aim.

### CONCLUSION

In submitting this report, I wish to speak especially of the splendid spirit of cooperation which the teachers and parents of the town have shown me wherever my work has brought me.

Both teachers and parents have shown a sincere interest and spirit of helpfulness in matters pertaining to the betterment of the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRIET M. SPILLER

Supt. of Schools

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STATE OF MAINE

Office of the Governor

Augusta

February 21, 1920

Just now, when you are probably making plans for Town meeting, I wish to call your attention to a condition regarding salaries of teachers which is of serious importance and which deserves the careful attention of your citizens in making up the budget for education.

As a public official you do not need to be reminded that the most sacred responsibility of government is the duty of safeguarding in every possible way the mental, moral, and physical welfare of the children who are to make the citizens of tomorrow.

Mindful of this duty, Maine has gone further than most states in contributing towards the expense of the public schools in the cities and towns. The purpose is of course to equalize the burden and to insure equal opportunity so far as possible for all school children. The control and management of the schools has been almost wholly left with the local authorities but the State has assumed the responsibility for training teachers free of expense to them and for general oversight of the educational program.

We have seen with growing concern in the last few months an increasing disparity between the wages paid teachers and the scale of prices prevailing in mills and business offices. The result has been not only to attract many teachers into other more lucrative lines of work, but the inducement to train for teaching has become so slight that the attendance at our normal schools is dangerously low.

The remedy is a sharp advance in salaries of trained teachers. This will add to the burden of taxation in your town but you can not afford to economize in the character and training of those who are developing the minds and moulding the characters of the boys and girls.

Fortunately on account of the budget system and careful management of the state departments the State itself is in excellent financial condition and the Council has unanimously voted an addition of \$100,000 to the equalization fund to be distributed by the State Superintendent to help towns raise the salaries of trained teachers. Your town last year did not share in this fund but if the action which I hope you will take in raising salaries results in making your town tax rate and your

rate for education larger than the average in the State you will receive substantial aid from this appropriation.

Yours very truly,

CARL E. MILLIKEN

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### RESOURCES

Town appropriation	\$3,200 00
Overdrawn Feb. 15, 1920	142 18
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Bal. to be expended	\$3,057 82
Received from the State, school mill fund	1,099 17
Received from the State, common school fund	1,813 67
Received from Minot for tuition	352 00
Received from Casco for tuition	132 50
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Total resources, for tuition	\$6,455 16

### Expenditures

Teachers' salaries,	\$4,722 00
Janitors salaries,	200 50
Fuel	600 14
Transportation	1,671 90
Tuition paid New Gloucester	112 50
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Total expenditures	\$7,307 04
Overdrawn Feb. 15, 1920	\$851 88

### SCHOOL CENSUS

There were in town April 1, 1919, according to the school census 383 people between the ages of 5 and 21 years.

## GRADUATION

Appropriated	\$50 00
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## Expenditures

A. N. Pettengill, orchestra	\$18 00
Excelsior Grange, use of hall	5 00
Hazel D. Woodbury, cash paid singer	2 00
Rev. Purington	2 00
C. W. Farrington, auto,	2 50
S. L. Hawley, supplies,	2 90
Howard and Brown, diplomas	11 84

Total expenditures	\$44 24
Bal. on hand	\$5 75

## TEXTBOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Appropriation	\$275 00
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## Expenditures

The Macmillan Company,	\$100 79
E. E. Babb & Co.,	81 01
Silver Burdett & Co.,	7 54
E. C. Jordan,	1 15
Merrill and Denning	46 37
Scott Foresman & Co.,	76 96
Benj. H. Sanborn & Co.,	1 37
J. L. Hammett & Co.,	59 87
F. L. Perkins, Printing	2 88
Harriet M. Spiller,	1 00

Total	\$378 94
Overdrawn Feb. 15, 1920	103 94

## REPAIR ACCOUNT

Apropriation, general repairs	\$500 00
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## Expenditures

Clarence Bonney, labor	\$ 2 50	
Katherine McGorman, supplies	2 00	
L. W. Haskell & Co., supplies	6 10	
W. T. Smith, clock repair	5 00	
C. W. Sawyer, flagpole	4 00	
Hiram Ricker & Sons, supplies	17 60	
R. W. Hanscom, labor and supplies	138 58	
Mrs. Geo. W. Record, cleaning school houses	36 05	
L. B. Grant, labor	8 75	
H. Perkins, labor	10 00	
Mrs. Minnie Chase, cleaning school- houses	12 66	
A. J. Weston & Co., supplies	43 17	
Bailey Bros. shingles and supplies	38 89	
E. C. Jordan, supplies	42 07	
Alice M. Harris, cleaning schoolhouse,	5 50	
Percy Field, labor	3 00	
Mrs. Geo. H. Tripp, cleaning schoolhouse	4 00	
B. L. Stuart	15 00	
Mrs. Percy Frank, labor	3 00	
Wesley Strout, labor	12 25	
J. L. Hayes & Co., plaster	2 70	
J. W. White & Co., lumber	138 33	
Ashley Chipman, labor	1 00	
Anna R. Farnum, supplies	1 52	
Frank G. Carpenter, labor	8 00	
M. C. Davis, labor	75	
W. W. Huston, labor and supplies	7 60	
Harriet M. Spiller, freight	2 81	
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Total		\$572 83
Overdrawn Feb. 15, 1920		500 00
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		\$72 83

## HIGH SCHOOL TUITION

Appropriation	\$500 00
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## Expenditures

Paid City of Auburn .	\$444 00	
Paid Hebron Academy	60 00	
Paid Leavitt Institute	39 00	
Paid Town of Casco	72 00	
Paid Town of Oxford	42 00	
Paid Gould Academy	60 00	
Paid Westbrook Seminary	40 50	
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		\$757 50

## GRADUATING CLASS 1919

Number 25.

1. Eddie Woodsum.
2. Emily Keene.
3. Aurelia Blair.
4. Charles Huston.
5. John Strout.
6. Hazel Parker.
7. Charles Shackford.
8. Dorcas Edwards.
9. Ada Edwards.
10. Mary Strout.
11. Charles Wesley Dunn.
12. Kenneth Dunn.
13. Geo. Leo. Dunn.
14. Floyd Kimball.
15. Clifford Goodwin.
16. Evelyn Austin.
17. Frank Field.
18. Eugene McDonald.
19. Velma Monk.

20. Joseph Levesque.
21. Ella Chase.
22. Beatrice Verrill.
23. Helen Verrill.
24. Moselle Bailey.
25. Bernice Coyne.

Of this number fifteen are now in High School. Three others will enter this fall.

## TABULAR STATEMENT

Schools	Teachers	Weeks	Enrollment	Average Attendance	Wages of Teacher per Week	Wages per Term
SPRING TERM—1919						
Henrick Valley,	Ethel C. Files,	10	10	7.45	\$ 10.00	\$100.00
Johnson Hill,	Helen E. Colley,	11	11	9.7	13.00	143.00
West Poland,	Lydia E. Megquier,	10	28	25.92	13.00	103.00
White Oak Hill,	Sarah I. Yeaton,	10	15	13.51	11.00	110.00
Poland Corner,	Hazel R. Fielding,	10	10	6.8	11.00	110.00
So. Poland,	Isabel J. Verrill,	10	32	27.24	14.00	140.00
Tripp City,	Anna R. Farnum,	10	14	12.5	12.00	120.00
Empire,	Gertrude M. Leach,	10	14	13	11.00	110.00
Bailey Hill,	Helen A. Rowe,	11	14	13.5	11.00	121.00
Hardserabble,	Blanche L. Strout,	10	16	13.29	11.00	110.00
Minot Corner,	Elizabeth W. Hammond,	11	28	24.8	13.00	130.00
Hackett's Mills,	Marion V. Cobb,	10	20	16.72	11.00	110.00
		212	184.43	\$141.00	\$1434.00	
FALL TERM—1919						
Henrick Valley,	Stella Kennedy,	13	11	7.64	\$ 15.00	\$195.00
Johnson Hill,	Vera Philbrick,	13	12	8.7	14.00	182.00
West Poland,	Lydia E. Megquier,	13	31	24.68	14.00	182.00
White Oak Hill,	Katherine McGorman,	13	16	14.7	13.00	169.00
Poland Corner,	Helen E. Colley,	13	9	6.5	13.00	169.00
So. Poland,	Isabel J. Verrill,	13	33	27.12	15.00	195.00
Tripp City,	Anna R. Farnum,	13	11	10.5	12.00	156.00
Bailey Hill,	Helen A. Rowe,	13	19	16.9	13.00	169.00
Empire,	Gertrude M. Leach,	13	12	10.4	13.00	169.00
Hardserabble,	Marion Emerson,	10	21	14.48	14.50	145.00
Minot Corner,	Elizabeth W. Hammond,	13	20	19	13.00	169.00
Hackett's Mills,	Marion V. Cobb,	13	21	18.9	12.00	156.00
		213	179.82	\$161.50	\$2,056.00	
*Substitute—Alice H. Frank.						
WINTER TERM—1920						
Henrick Valley,	Stella Kennedy,	8	7	†	\$ 15.00	\$120.00
Johnson Hill,	Vera Philbrick,	8	7		14.00	112.00
West Poland,	Lydia E. Megquier,	8	27		15.00	120.00
White Oak Hill,	Katherine McGorman,	8	15		13.00	104.00
Poland Corner,	Helen E. Colley,	8	9		13.00	104.00
So. Poland,	Isabel J. Verrill,	8	30		15.00	120.00
Bailey Hill,	Helen A. Rowe,	8	20		13.00	104.00
Tripp City,	Anna R. Farnum,	8	9		12.00	96.00
Empire,	Georgia McKnight,	8	14		13.00	104.00
Hardserabble,	Elizabeth W. Hammond,	8	14		14.00	112.00
Minot Corner,	Alice H. Frank,	8	21		14.00	112.00
Hackett's Mills,	Marion V. Cobb,	8	21		12.00	96.00
		194			\$163.00	\$1,304.00

†Term not finished.

\*Total for teaching, \$4,794.00.

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

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Number of births recorded	28
Females	11
Males	17
Marriages	23
Deaths in town	18
Deaths out of town, interment in town	6

### RECORD OF MARRIAGES

1919

- Jan. 11 Cornelius Hayes and Margaret Flaherty.
- Jan. 18 Joseph Pratt and Anna L. Hanscom.
- Jan. 26 Bela Strout and Mrs. Agnes Durrell.
- Feb. 9. Rollin A. Keene and Grace May Cowan .
- Feb. 22. Ernest Walker and Helen Mary Clark.
- Feb. 26. Isaiah T. Emery and Ida O. Woodsum.
- Apr. 26 Guy Bertrand Shackford and Lena R. Morton.
- June 1 Eugene Wesley Winslow and Sarah Lenora Winslow.
- June 25 Clarence Preston Houston and Marion Louise Ricker.
- July 2 Louis Linwood Merrill and Alice Louise Spiller.
- Aug. 19 William Martin and Violet Pierce Pierson.
- Sept. 11 Fred W. Keith and Catherine E. Von Hitchler Frye.
- Sept. 20 James Gerry and Lillian Lord.
- Sept. 24 Donald W. Davis and Laura Helen Mansfield.
- Sept. 27 Herbert Chester Merrill and Blanche L. Strout.
- Oct. 5 Robert Fletcher Parlin and Lucie Ada Fellows.
- Nov. 6 Philip Barker and Marion E. Wescott.
- Nov. 8 Howard Newcomb and Ethel M. Page.

- Nov. 14 Theron Herbert Hollis and Bertha Lorana  
Thurston.  
Nov. 19. Frank Webster Jenness and Bridget Sennott.  
Nov. 21 Ernest Linwood Tripp and Mary Coffin.  
Nov. 27 John F. Burns and Marcia M. Sterry.  
Nov. 29 Myron B. Strout and Rosella R. McKeon.

## DEATHS, 1919

- Jan. 8 Clifford R. Cobb.  
Jan. 11 Josiah W. Mitchell.  
Feb. 1 Samuel L. Littlefield.  
Mar. 2 Irma A. Curtis  
Mar. 20 Adam Stretneck.  
Mar. 30 Bessie M. Keene  
Apr. 4 Mary B. Bailey.  
Apr. 28 Sarah A. Foss.  
July 1 Will Nichols Dudley.  
July 4 Nellie F. Estes.  
Aug. 22 Dr. Wm. A. Neals.  
Aug. 24 Isaiah Keene.  
Aug. 31 Margaret F. Hamlin.  
Aug. 30 Lizzie M. Gibbs.  
Sept. 3 Josephine L. Pulsifer.  
Sept. 5 Mary G. Nay.  
Sept. 12 Charlotte Wood.  
Nov. 24 Stephen G. True.

## DEATHS OUT OF TOWN, INTERMENT IN TOWN

- Feb. 25 Infant of Chas. W. Rieker.  
Apr. 11 Sarah Cairns.  
May 5 Carrie E. Morse.  
May 24 David Woodsum.  
Sept. 3 Melissa H. Stone.  
Dec. 25 Maria W. Rowe

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

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February 23, 1919

To the Chairman and Board of Selectmen of the Town of Poland,

Gentlemen:

We have examined and audited the accounts of the Town of Poland for the six fiscal years beginning February 24, 1914 and ending February 16, 1920.

As a result of this examination we wish to make the following comments and recommendations:

By far the greater portion of all transactions were properly vouchered and disbursements correctly made. There was however several orders in each years business for which no vouchers were found. There was a still larger number of orders on which the signature of only the chairman of the Board of Selectmen appeared. These orders were honored by the treasurer.

The amount represented in the treasurer's book as cash was found to be less than the amount on deposit in the Fidelity Company by \$304.84. This amount was practically all found in errors in additions and in incorrect handling of tax deeds and abatements in previous years when giving the Collector of Taxes credit for the same.

Bonds, note receivable, and savings bank accounts, which are the property of the town, have been verified by us by actually counting and examining the items. We have made no attempt to determine the amount of personal property, equipment, tools etc. owned by the town. With the exception of live stock and supplies on the town

farm we find that all items of equipment and personal property purchased by the town are charged to expense and no inventory accounting made to afford an annual check upon the use and final disposition of such property. We recommend that a complete inventory be made once a year and that changes between the beginning and close of the year be explained.

The valuation and apportionment of taxes for the several years were thoroughly tested and with exception of a few small discrepancies in additions and in handling the supplemental tax were found satisfactory in all respects.

There are a large number of tax deeds dating as far back in some instances as 1879. These are of doubtful value. We recommend that all of these deeds be submitted to the town counsel to be passed on as to their validity. We further recommend that the town counsel's advice be secured in making out any such deeds in the future that all may be of value and capable of enforcement.

The disbursement of funds turned over to the road commissioner for the year was examined and found correct. We wish to commend the simple and adequate method used by him in having all expenditures properly vouchered.

Respectfully submitted

JORDAN AND JORDAN  
HAROLD C. JORDAN  
Public Accountants



## WARRANT

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To George W. Blair, Constable of the Town of Poland,  
in the County of Androscoggin, and State of Maine.

GREETING:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Poland, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall in said town on Monday the eighth day of March, A. D., 1920 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.

Art. 2. To hear and act on reports of town officers and committee on accounts.

Art. 3. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to elect a road commissioner and fix his compensation.

Art. 5. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of common schools.

Art. 6. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for school text books.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for repairs on school property.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the town will vote

to raise to pay the tuition of scholars attending school in other towns.

Art. 9. To see what sum the town will expend for the tuition of High School pupils.

Art. 10. To see what sum the town will vote to raise to defray the expenses of graduation exercises at the Poland Schools under the direction of the Superintending School Committee.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for salary of Superintending School Committee and other officers.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the repairs of roads and bridges.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay snow bills.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the support of the poor.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to pay collector's commission and abatements.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise to donate to A. A. Dwinal Post G. A. R. to help defray the expense of Memorial Day.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to pay each member of the Superintending School Committee ten dollars.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for contingent expenses.

Art. 19. To see what date the town will vote to fix for the payment of taxes.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote a certain amount

for the services of the West Poland Brass Band, Decoration Day.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote "yes" or "no" on the question of appropriating and raising necessary money to entitle the town to State Aid as provided in Section 20 of Chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.

Art. 22. To see if the town will appropriate and raise the sum of \$2,928.00 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 care of ways, highways and bridges, the above amount being four years State Aid in one as allowed under Section 21 of Chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.

Art. 23. To see if the town will appropriate and raise the sum of \$732 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 care of ways, highways and bridges, the above amount being the maximum which the town is allowed to raise under the provisions of Section 19 of Chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer or Selectmen to hire money to pay bills until taxes can be collected, not to exceed \$2,000.00

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to allow the Superintending School Committee to maintain schools in districts where the average attendance has fallen below eight.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to have the town books audited for the ensuing year.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to raise \$250.00 to paint and repair town buildings.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote a sum of money to aid the Androscoggin Anti-Tuberculosis Association.

Art. 29. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of State Highways during the ensuing year under the provisions of Section 9 of Chapter 130 of the Public Laws of 1913 and Chapter 272 of the Public Laws of 1915.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to raise \$600.00 to improve road on White Oak Hill between Summit Spring Hotel and Poland Corner.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to purchase three Snow rollers, and what sum of money for same.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Town Hall on the day of the meeting at nine o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands at Poland this nineteenth day of February A. D. 1920.

Signed,

C. E. CHIPMAN

W. C. FRANK

F. L. MAYBERRY

Selectmen of Poland