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ANNUAL REPORT

1925

OF THE TOWN OF

BENNINGTON

NEW HAMPSHIRE



ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF
Bennington, N. H.,

Together with Reports of Town Officers

FOR THE
FISCAL YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31
1925

ALSO, VITAL STATISTICS FOR YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1924

ANTRIM, N. H.:
H. WEBSTER ELDREDGE, BOOK AND JOB PRINTER
1925

TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen

JAMES H. BALCH
JAMES J. GRISWOLD
HARRY W. BROWN

Town Clerk

ARTHUR F. BELL

Town Treasurer

ARTHUR F. BELL

Road Agent

GEORGE M. HOLMES

Overseer of Poor

HENRY W. WILSON

Tax Collector

MAURICE C. NEWTON

Moderator

GEORGE E. EDWARDS

Supervisors

HENRY W. WILSON
CYRUS H. PHILBRICK
CHARLES M. TAYLOR

Auditors

LAWRENCE J. PARKER
CHARLES M. TAYLOR

Ballot Inspectors

HARRY S. DUNBAR
FRANK J. NEWTON
LEON MESSER
WILLIAM HARRINGTON

Library Trustees

FRANK G. TRAXLER
 ALLAN GERRARD
 HENRY W. WILSON

Constable

GEORGE KING

Health Officer

HENRY W. WILSON

Trustees of Trust Funds

MARGARET J. TAYLOR
 ARTHUR J. PIERCE
 FRANK TRAXLER

Sealer of Weights and Measures

FRED A. KNIGHT

Sexton

FRANK A. TAYLOR

Janitor of Town Hall

GEORGE KING

Forest Fire Warden

HENRY W. WILSON

Fire Wards

HENRY W. WILSON
 GEORGE H. KING
 LEON MESSER

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

ROBERT KNOWLES
 H. A. CURTIS
 FRED C. STARRETT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Bennington in the
County of Hillsborough, in said State, qualified
to vote in Town Affairs

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Bennington on Tuesday, the Tenth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.
3. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate for Memorial Day.
4. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate for Highways and Bridges.
5. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate for lighting the Streets with Electricity.
6. To see what action the Town will take with regard to State Aid Construction, State Aid Maintenance and Trunk Line Maintenance.
7. To see what action the Town will take toward buying two hundred feet of Fire Hose.

8. To see what action the Town will take to suppress the White Pine Blister.

9. To see if the Town will vote to accept gifts and legacies given to the Town by different individuals, the income to be used for the care of cemetery lots.

10. To see if the Town will vote to set a Hydrant near J. J. Sawyer's and raise and appropriate money for the same.

11. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Evergreen Cemetery.

12. To see if the Town will vote to place a street light near Michael Power's house and raise and appropriate money for the same.

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

Given under our hands and seal, twentieth day of February, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and twenty-five.

JAMES H. BALCH
 JAMES J. GRISWOLD
 HARRY W. BROWN
 Selectmen of Bennington

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

JAMES H. BALCH
 JAMES J. GRISWOLD
 HARRY W. BROWN
 Selectmen of Bennington

Inventory of Real and Personal Property

No. Polls 312 @ \$5.00		
Lands and Buildings	\$291,420	00
78 Horses	7,740	00
3 Mules	185	00
2 Oxen	175	00
121 Cows	9,545	00
18 Sheep	126	00
16 Neat Stock	895	00
14 Hogs	150	00
620 Fowls	620	00
5 Vehicles	300	00
2 Portable Mills	1,600	00
Wood and Lumber	37,330	00
3 Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	900	00
Stock in Trade	224,972	00
Aqueducts	600	00
Mills and Machinery	400,000	00
	<hr style="width: 20%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/>	\$976,558 00
Amount of Taxes given Collector		\$20,697 44

Rate per cent of Taxation for all purposes \$19.60 on \$1,000.00.

Financial Report

Amount of Taxes given Collector	\$20,697 44
Paid Arthur F. Bell, List of 1924	\$20,486 76
Paid Arthur F. Bell, List of 1923, \$6 24	
Paid Elsewhere:	
Roger Champney, paid in Contoocook	\$5 00
Fred Champney, paid in Contoocook	5 00
William Powers, paid in Hancock	5 00
D. O. D. Dodge, over age in Nebraska	5 00
Nelson Foley, paid in Fitchburg	5 00
Abated:	
Mrs. J. Pappas	5 00
David Bosley, Soldier	5 00
Sarah Burt, over age	5 00
Harold Howe	5 00
Mary Howe	5 00
A. Kourkonis	5 00
Albert McKay, under age	5 00
Walter Reed	4 90
Clara Newhall, dead	5 00
Uncollected:	
Charles Cole	5 00
Grace Cole	5 00
Charles Thurston	55 96
Ruth Thurston	5 00
Lyman Parker	5 78
Ellen Parker	5 00
Louise Bellview	6 76
F. L. McNeil	2 00
Over Tax:	
Langdell Lumber Co.	32 44
Cora J. Hanchett, inventory returned wrong	7 84
2 polls collected since Feb. 1st, 1925	10 00
	\$210 68
	\$20,697 44
Charles Johnson, abated 1923 list, \$5 00	

ASSETS

Cash:		
In hands of treasurer	\$7,043 89	
Accounts Due to the Town:		
Due from State:		
(a) Trunk Line	356 41	
(b) S. A. C. E.	68 87	
(c) S. A. M.	88 50	
Due from County:		
(a)	15 00	
Taxes not collected:		
(a) Levy of 1924	95 40	
Total Assets		\$7,668 07
Excess of liabilities over assets (Net Debt)		12,294 68
Grand Total		\$19,962 75
Net Debt—January 31, 1924	\$16,448 21	
Net Debt—Surplus, Jan. 31, 1925	12,294 68	
Decrease of debt		4,153 53

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:		
Due to School Districts:		
(a) Dog Licenses	\$ 82 17	
(b)	4,501 10	
State and Town Joint Highway		
Accounts:		
(b) Unexp'd bal. in Town Treas.		
T. L.	118 80	
S. A. Con.	172 18	
S. A. Maint.	88 50	
Bonds Outstanding:		
Water Works	15,000 00	
Total Liabilities		\$19,962 75
Grand Total		\$19,962 75

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes: .

Property taxes committed to collector, 1924	\$19,137 44
Less discount and abatement, 1924	45 18
Less uncollected, 1924	53 50
1. Property taxes, current year, actually collected	\$19,038 76
2. Poll taxes, current year, actually collec'd 289 @ 5 and \$3 on 1 tax	1,448 00
3. Property and poll taxes, pre- vious years, actually collected	6 24

Total of above collections	\$20,493 00
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From State:

5. For highways:	
(a) For State Aid Maint.	\$247 89
(b) For State Aid Const.	729 71
(c) For Trunk Line Maint.	694 90
6. Interest and dividend tax	46 30
7. Insurance tax	3 00
8. Railroad tax	146 82
9. Savings bank tax	1,036 30
12. Fighting forest fires	36 85
13. Bounties	6 60

From Local Sources Except Taxes:

16. Dog Licenses	82 17
17. Business licenses and permits	20 00
19. Rent of town hall	553 83
24. Income from Departments	9 00
26. Permits for the registration of motor vehicles	1,034 98
27. Water Works	1,335 60

Total Receipts from All Sources	\$26,476 95
Cash on hand February 1, 1924	\$10,959 64

Grand Total	\$37,436 59
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PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

1. Town officers' salaries	\$708 05
2. Town officers' expenses	359 58
3. Election and registration expenses	116 85
5. Expenses town hall and other town buildings	701 81

Protection of Persons and Property:

6. Police department, including care of tramps	135 34
7. Fire department including forest fires	441 10
8. Moth extermination	438 50
9. Bounties	6 60

Health:

11. Health department, including hospitals	123 53
12. Vital Statistics	8 00

Highways and Bridges:

14. State Aid maintenance	517 03
15. Trunk Line maintenance	1,760 32
16. Town maintenance	1,872 90
17. Street Lighting and sprinkl'g	695 82
18. General expenses of highway dept., including watering troughs	479 75

Libraries:

19. Libraries	200 00
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Charities:

20. Town Poor	17 60
21. County Poor	15 00

Patriotic Purposes:

22. Aid to G. A. R. Memorial Day exercises	95 00
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Public Service Enterprises:

27. Cemeteries, including hearse hire	336 88
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Unclassified:

30. Town clock	29 38
31. Auto permits	32 50

Interest:

32. Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	96 25
34. Paid on bonded debt	427 50

Outlay for New Construction and Permanent
Improvements:

36. Highways and bridges State Aid Const.	3,604 00
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Indebtedness :

44. Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	3,000 00
46. Payment on bonded debt	4,000 00

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

50. Taxes paid to State	2,427 50
51. Taxes paid to County	1,780 01
53. Payments to School Dists.	5,965 90

Total Payments for all Purposes	<u>\$30,392 70</u>
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Cash on hand January 31, 1925	7,043 89
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Grand Total	<u>\$37,436 59</u>
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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
1. Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$10,000 00
Furniture and Equipment	300 00
2. Libraries, Lands and Buildings	5,000 00
Furniture and Equipment	500 00
3. Police Department, Lands and Buildings	400 00
4. Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	1,200 00
Equipment	2,500 00
5. Highway Department, Land and Buildings	300 00
Equipment	600 00
7. Water Supply	20,000 00
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Total	\$40,800 00

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Date February 12, 1925.

JAMES H. BALCH, Selectman.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Detail 1—Town Officers' Salaries

M. C. Newton, Tax Collector	\$204 05	
James H. Balch, Selectman	125 00	
James J. Griswold, Selectman	100 00	
Harry W. Brown, Selectman	75 00	
A. F. Bell, Town Clerk and Treasurer	200 00	
Herbert A. Eaton, Auditor	4 00	
		\$708 05

Detail 2—Town Officers' Expenses

Harry W. Brown, Stamp, Express and Work on Town Office	\$ 24 40	
H. W. Eldredge, Printing and Supplies	125 56	
H. W. Wilson, Insurance	16 20	
Contocook Val'y Tel. Co., Telephone	12 00	
E. C. Eastman Co., Supplies	55 97	
G. M. Holmes, Typewriter	25 00	
Bennington Grange, Town Meeting Dinner	2 70	
Automotive Service Bureau, Printed Sheets	16 39	
W. P. Farmer, Dues N. H. Ass'n of Assessors	2 00	
Sundstrand Adding Machine Co., Cleaning and Rep. Add. Machine	3 48	
C. F. Butler, Window Shades for Town Office	4 92	
G. O. Joslin, Auto Hire and Supplies	12 00	
Ezra Smith, Legal Advice	5 00	
A. F. Bell, Stamps	5 00	
James H. Balch, Expenses of Selectmen at Tax Commission Meeting	34 76	
M. C. Newton, Supplies	7 75	
Tribune Pub. Co., Tax Bills	6 45	
		\$359 58

Detail 3—Election and Registration

H. W. Eldredge, Printing and Supplies	\$29 00	
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Wm. P. Harrington, Ballot Inspector	9 00
Harry S. Dunbar, Ballot Inspector	6 00
Leon Messer, Ballot Inspector	9 00
F. J. Newton, Ballot Inspector	9 00
H. W. Wilson Supervisor	16 00
C. M. Taylor, Supervisor,	16 00
C. H. Philbrick, Supervisor	4 00
Geo. E. Edwards, Moderator	12 00
John T. Day, Lunches for Primaries and Election	6 85

\$116 85

Detail 5—Town Hall

F. C. Thompson, Lights	\$103 06
George H. King, Care of Hall	232 78
H. W. Wilson, Insurance	140 80
Collector of Internal Revenue, Tax	50 00
Koford & Son, Tuning and Repairing Piano	8 00
H. W. Elliott, Labor on Roof	12 50
H. W. Brown, Labor on Town Office	5 00
J. A. Elliott, Coal	189 13
F. A. Knight, Supplies	10 34
G. O. Joslin, Supplies	20

\$751 81

Detail 6—Protection of Persons and Property

F. C. Thompson, Lights	\$13 00
H. W. Wilson, Insurance	6 00
Herbert Bosley, Police Duty	20 00
W. M. Hanson, Special Police	50 00
H. W. Brown, Labor and Wood	5 50
L. J. Parker, Wood and Use of Truck	5 00
George H. King	21 11
F. A. Knight, Supplies	14 73

\$135 34

Detail 7—Fire Department

F. C. Thompson, Lights	\$ 15 47
George H. King, Labor and Chimney Fires	23 05
H. W. Wilson, Hose	158 05
H. W. Wilson, Insurance	78 80

H. W. Wilson, Forest Fires	92 35	
H. A. George, Wood	9 25	
H. W. Brown, Labor	14 00	
L. J. Parker, Labor and use of Truck	19 00	
G. H. Veino, Repairing Chemical Engine	5 62	
Leon Claflin, Firemen's Pay Roll	22 25	
G. O. Joslin, Supplies	3 26	
	<hr/>	\$441 10

Detail 8—Moth Extermination and Blister Rust

J. H. Foster, Appropriation for Blister Rust	\$400 00	
William Powers, Painting Moth Nests	19 25	
Ivon W. Clough, Painting Moth Nests	19 25	
	<hr/>	\$438 50

Detail 9—Bounties

James J. Griswold, Hedgehogs	\$6 60	
	<hr/>	\$6 60

Detail 10—Damage by Dogs

James H. Balch, Sheep killed by Dogs	\$13 00	
	<hr/>	\$13 00

Detail 11—Health Department

H. W. Wilson, Expenses to Health Officers' Meeting	\$17 70	
H. W. Wilson, Health Officer	15 00	
H. W. Wilson, Express and Postage	3 64	
F. A. Knight, Groceries, Scarlet Fever Cases	27 71	
G. O. Joslin, Groceries Scarlet Fever Cases	6 36	
J. Dana Weston, Milk Scarlet Fever Cases	8 12	
G. D. Tibbetts, Medical Attendance Scarlet Fever Cases	45 00	
	<hr/>	\$123 53

Detail 12—Vital Statistics

Arthur F. Bell, Recording Births and Deaths	\$8 00	
	<u> </u>	\$8 00

Detail 13—State Aid Maintenance

George M. Holmes, Patrolman	\$517 03	
	<u> </u>	\$517 03

Detail 14—Trunk Line Maintenance

George M. Holmes, Patrolman	\$1,760 32	
	<u> </u>	\$1,760 32

Detail 15—Town Maintenance

George M. Holmes, Road Agent	\$1,855 74	
Water Rent for Watering Trough 1923	6 66	
H. W. Wilson, Insurance	10 50	
	<u> </u>	\$1,872 90

Detail 16—Street Lighting

F. C. Thompson, Electric Lights	\$695 82	
	<u> </u>	\$695 82

Detail 17—General Expenses

New England Road Machine Co.		
Road Machine	\$335 00	
A. F. Bell, Freight on Road Machine	6 38	
G. M. Holmes, Expenses buying Road Machine	20 49	
L. J. Parker, Labor on Dump	34 10	
C. F. Burnham, Labor on Dump	12 16	
J. M. Holt, Labor on Dump	36 00	
H. W. Wilson Labor on Dump	20 00	
H. W. Eldredge, Printing Signs	5 50	
W. P. Harrington, Labor at Monument	10 12	
	<u> </u>	\$479 75

Detail 18—Libraries

H. W. Wilson, Appropriation	\$200 00	
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Detail 19—Town Poor

H. W. Wilson, Overseer of Poor	\$15 00	
Telephone and Postage	2 60	
	<hr/>	\$17 60

Detail 20—County Poor

Children's Aid Society	\$15 00	
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Detail 21—Patriotic Purposes

James J. Griswold, Appropriation	\$150 00	
H. W. Eldredge, Printing	2 00	
	<hr/>	152 00

Detail 24—Cemeteries

Frank G. Traxler, Expense at Tomb	\$182 88	
Herbert A. Eaton, Labor on Evergreen Cemetery	141 36	
G. M. Holmes, Labor on Cemetery	12 64	
	<hr/>	\$336 88

Detail 26—Town Clock

H. W. Wilson, Insurance	\$14 38	
Allan Gerrard, Care of Clock	15 00	
	<hr/>	\$29 38

Detail 28—Auto Permits

A. F. Bell, Auto Permits	\$32 50	
	<hr/>	\$32 50

Detail 29—Interest

Hillsborough Bridge Guaranty Savings Bank on Water Bonds	\$427 50
First National Bank of Hillsboro,	

Temporary Loans	56 25	
Adalette Dodge, Est., Note No. 27	24 00	
C. H. Philbrick, Note No. 28	16 00	
	<u> </u>	\$523 75

Detail 30—State Aid Construction

George W. Holmes	\$3,604 00	
	<u> </u>	\$3,604 00

Detail 36—Temporary Loans

First National Bank, Hillsboro, Loan	\$2,000 00	
Adalette Dodge Est., Note No. 27	600 00	
C. H. Philbrick, Note No. 28	400 00	
	<u> </u>	\$3,000 00

Detail 37—Bonds and Term Notes

Hillsborough Bridge Guaranty Savings Bank, Water Bonds	\$4,000 00	
	<u> </u>	\$4,000 00

Detail 38—State and County Tax

State Tax	\$1,241 38	
County Tax	1,780 01	
	<u> </u>	\$3,021 39

Detail 39—School District

Balance on 1923	\$3,876 50	
Paid on 1924	2,000 00	
Dog Licenses	82 17	
	<u> </u>	\$5,958 67

JAMES H. BALCH
 JAMES J. GRISWOLD
 HARRY W. BROWN
 Selectmen of Bennington

We have examined the above reports of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector and Road Agent,

and find them correct and all disbursements properly vouched.

The accounts have been arranged in accordance with the Uniform Classification of the Tax Commission.

LAWRENCE J. PARKER
CHARLES M. TAYLOR

Auditors

TOWN HALL ACCOUNT

Months	Rents	Care of Hall	Supplies	Lights
1924				\$ 9 02
January				6 76
February	\$48 80	\$23 05	\$ 80	7 03
March	44 25	25 00	85	6 94
April	40 00	20 25	1 50	8 29
May	31 50	10 00		7 12
June	35 00	13 00		7 39
July	58 50	17 75	1 30	8 94
August	56 50	18 00		8 00
September	28 00	8 75	8 00	6 94
October	32 30	10 75	3 08	10 00
November	47 00	24 50	5 00	10 45
December	59 60	26 75	2 30	
1925				
January	39 00	19 50	3 90	6 18
James Elliott, Coal			169 75	
	\$520 45	\$217 30	\$196 48	\$103 03

GEORGE H. KING, Janitor.

ROAD AGENT'S ACCOUNT

The Month of February

George M. Holmes, 4 days, 5 hrs.	\$18 09	
George M. Holmes, horse, 3 dys., 4 hrs.	7 10	
John Smiley, 7 hrs.	2 72	
Leon Messer and team, 2 days, 2 hrs.	15 55	
Will Taylor and team, 2 days	14 00	
J. J. Griswold and team, 2 days	14 00	
J. H. Balch and team, 1 day	7 00	
George Edes, shoveling, 3 hrs.	1 15	
	<hr style="width: 100%;"/>	\$79 61

The Month of March

George M. Holmes, 2 days, 7 hrs.	\$11 11	
George M. Holmes, horse, 1 dy. 4 hrs.	2 88	
John Smiley, 1 day, 1 hr.	3 88	
William Powers, 3 hrs.	1 16	
Leon Messer and team, 4 hrs.	3 88	
Maurice Fournier, 4 hrs.	1 55	
Arnold Cossett, 4 hrs.	1 55	
Town of Antrim, breaking road	3 50	
	<hr style="width: 100%;"/>	\$29 51

Week Ending April 12

George M. Holmes, 4 days, 8 hrs.	\$18 55	
Leon Messer and team, 5 days, 8 hrs.	41 23	
William Bonner, 5 days, 4 hrs.	19 05	
William Powers, 5 days, 4 hrs.	19 05	
Will Taylor and team, 5 days	35 00	
Joe Longley, 5 days	17 50	
Herbert Bosley, 5 hrs.	1 94	
Arnold Cossette, 2 days	7 00	
Cecil Fournier, 1 day	3 50	
Walter Smith, 5 days, 4 hrs.	19 05	
John Smiley, 5 days, 4 hrs.	19 05	
A. J. Pierce's team, 1 day, 1 hr.	7 77	
	<hr style="width: 100%;"/>	\$208 69

Week Ending April 19

George M. Holmes, 5 days, 1 hr.	\$20 44
William Bonner, 4 days	14 00
William Powers, 4 days	14 00
Joe Longley, 3 days, 7 hrs.	13 22
Maurice Fournier, 4 days, 7 hrs.	16 72
John Smiley, 4 days, 7 hrs.	16 72
Leon Messer and team, 4 days, 7 hrs.	33 44
Will Taylor and team, 4 days, 7 hrs.	33 44
Pearl Warren and team, 5 days, 7 hrs.	40 00
Ivon Clough 3 days, 7 hrs.	13 22
W. J. St. Pierre, fixing drag	2 30
James Armstrong, fixing tools	2 50

 \$220 44

Week Ending April 26

George M. Holmes, 4 days, 3 hrs.	\$17 33
John Smiley, 4 days	14 00
William Bonner, 1 day	3 50
William Powers, 3 days	10 50
Maurice Fournier, 4 days	14 00
Leon Messer and team, 3 days	21 00
Will Taylor and team, 3 days	21 00
Pearl Warren and team, 1 day	7 00
Ivon Clough, 3 days	10 50

 \$118 83

Week Ending May 3

George M. Holmes, 5 days	\$ 20 00
John Smiley, 3 days, 4 hrs.	12 05
Maurice Fournier, 3 days, 4 hrs.	12 05
Herbert McCoy, 4 hrs.	1 55
Herbert Wilson and team, 4 hrs.	3 11
Leon Messer and team, 3 days, 4 hrs.	24 11
Will Taylor and team, 3 days, 4 hrs.	24 11
William Powers, 1 day	3 50

 \$100 48

Week Ending May 10

George M. Holmes, 5 days	\$20 00
John Smiley, 3 days, 4 hrs.	12 05
Maurice Fournier, 3 days, 4 hrs.	12 05

William Powers, 3 days, 4 hrs.	12 05
Will Taylor and team, 3 days, 4 hrs.	24 11
Herbert Wilson & team, 3 dys. 4 hrs.	24 11
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\$104 37

Week Ending May 17

George M. Holmes, 4 days	\$16 00
Jerome Sawyer, 3 days, 5 hrs.	12 44
John Tabbot, 3 days, 5 hrs.	12 44
John Smiley, 2 days, 5 hrs.	8 94
Herbert McCoy, 2 days, 5 hrs.	8 94
Augustus Cleary, 2 days, 5 hrs.	8 94
J. J. Griswold and team, 2 days, 5 hrs.	17 88
J. H. Balch and team, 2 days, 5 hrs.	17 88
William Powers, 1 day, 5 hrs.	5 44
Will Taylor and team, 1 day, 5 hrs.	10 88
Herbert Wilson & team, 1 day, 5 hrs.	10 88
Maurice Fournier, 1 day, 5 hrs.	5 44
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\$136 10

Week Ending May 24

George M. Holmes, 2 days, 4 hrs.	\$ 9 77
William Powers, 2 days, 4 hrs.	8 55
Herbert McCoy, 2 days, 4 hrs.	8 55
Maurice Fournier, 2 days	7 00
John Smiley, 2 days	7 00
Herbert Wilson and team, 2 days	14 00
J. J. Griswold and team, 2 hrs.	1 55
Will Taylor and team, 2 days	14 00
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\$70 42

Week Ending May 31

George M. Holmes, 2 days	\$ 8 00
Herbert McCoy, 4 days, 4 hrs.	15 55
Herbert Wilson & team, 3 dys. 4 hrs.	24 11
John Smiley, 1 day, 2 hrs.	4 27
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\$51 93

Week Ending June. 21

George M. Holmes, 3 days	\$12 00
John Smiley, 1 day	3 50
Maurice Fournier, 3 days	10 50

William Powers, 3 days	10 50
Herbert Wilson and team, 3 days	21 00
Will Taylor and team, 3 days	21 00
Herbert McCoy, 2 days	7 00
J. A. Fleming, Lumber	42 53
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\$128 03

Week Ending June 28

George M. Holmes, 4 days	\$14 00
Maurice Fournier, 5 days, 5 hrs.	19 44
Herbert Wilson and team, 1 day, 1 hr.	7 77
William Powers, 3 days	10 50
Herbert McCoy, 3 days, 5 hrs.	12 44
Augustus Cleary, 3 days, 5 hrs.	12 44
John Smiley, 3 days, 5 hrs.	12 44
Pearl Warren and team, 2 days	14 00
F. A. Knight, Supplies	19 75
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\$122 78

Week Ending July 5

George M. Holmes, 4 days	\$16 00
John Smiley, 1 day, 5 hrs.	5 44
Maurice Fournier, 2 days, 5 hrs.	8 94
William Powers, 1 day, 1 hr.	3 88
Herbert Wilson and team, 1 day, 1 hr.	7 77
Augustus Cleary, 5 hrs.	1 94
Walter Smith, 4 days	14 00
G. M. Holmes, horse, 4 days	5 00
Leon Messer and team, 1 day, 1 hr.	7 77
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\$70 74

Week Ending July 19

George M. Holmes, 5 hrs.	\$2 22
W. Cleary, 5 hrs.	1 94
Leon Messer and team, 5 hrs.	3 88
Freight on Leveller	57
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\$8 61

Week Ending July 26

George M. Holmes, 7 hrs.	\$ 3 11
William Powers, 1 day, 5 hrs.	5 44
Leon Messer and team, 1 day, 5 hrs.	10 88
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\$19 43

Week Ending August 2

George M. Holmes, 1 day, 7 hrs.	\$ 7 11
William Bonner, 4 hrs.	1 55
Herbert Wilson and team, 4 hrs.	3 11
Leon Messer and team, 4 hrs.	3 11
William Powers, 4 hrs.	1 55
Herbert Bosley, 5 hrs.	1 94
Harry W. Brown, Sign Posting	14 25

 \$32 62

Week Ending August 9

George M. Holmes, 4 days, 7 hrs.	\$17 77
David Bosley, 3 days, 7 hrs.	13 22
Leon Messer and team, 4 days, 5 hrs.	31 88
John Smiley, 2 days, 7 hrs.	9 72
William Powers, 1 day	3 50
George King, 1 day	3 50
George M. Holmes, 25 posts at 15 c each	3 75
Harry Favor, 15 poles at 20c ea.	3 00
G. O. Joslin, 6-tine hoe	1 15

 \$87 49

Week Ending August 16

George M. Holmes, 3 days	\$12 00
John Smiley, 3 days	10 50
David Bosley, 3 days	10 50
Leon Messer and team, 3 days	21 00
J. H. Balch and team, 1 day	7 00
Mr. Sturtevant, sharpening picks	90
J. H. Balch, 16 loads gravel @ 10c ea.	1 60
J. H. Balch, 15 poles @ 15c ea.	2 25
J. H. Balch, 25 posts @ 15c ea.	3 75
Mrs. E. Newhall, 52 loads gravel @ 10c ea.	5 20
James Colby, 15 loads gravel @ 10c ea.	1 50

 \$76 20

Week Ending August 23

George M. Holmes, 2 days., 8 hrs.	\$11 55
John Smiley, 2 days, 7 hrs.	9 72
Maurice Fournier, 2 days, 7 hrs.	9 72

Will Taylor and team, 2 days, 7 hrs.	19 46	
Leon Messer and team, 2 days, 3 hrs.	16 33	
Eugene Scarbo, 5 hrs.	1 94	
John Bryer, 1 day, 8 hrs.	6 61	
James Colby and team, 5 hrs.	4 00	
W. J. St. Pierre, work on Rd. Machine	2 40	
F. A. Knight, supplies	2 48	
G. O. Joslin, picks and handles	7 00	
Freight	59	
W. J. St. Pierre, work on Stone Drag	10 85	
		<u>\$102 65</u>

Week Ending November 15

George M. Holmes, 1 day, 4 hrs.	\$5 77	
John Smiley, 1 day	3 50	
Maurice Fournier, 1 day	3 50	
John Bryer, 1 day	3 50	
Leon Messer and team, 1 day, 4 hrs.	10 11	
Will Taylor and team, 1 day	7 00	
		<u>\$33 38</u>

Week Ending November 29

George M. Holmes, 5 hrs.	\$ 2 22	
G. M. Holmes, horse, 5 hrs.	1 25	
Gertrude Myers, 100 loads gravel @ 10c	10 00	
		<u>\$13 47</u>

The Month of December

George M. Holmes, 1 day, 5 hrs.	\$ 6 22	
Horse, plowing Sidewalks	1 25	
Leon Messer and team, 4 hrs.	3 11	
John Smiley, 7 hrs.	2 72	
G. M. Holmes, horse, 3 hrs.	75	
		<u>\$14 05</u>

The Month of January

George M. Holmes, 2 days, 1 hr.	\$8 44
George M. Holmes, horse, 1 day, 3 hrs.	3 00
Leon Messer and team, 1 day	7 00
Will Taylor and team, 4 hrs.	3 11
Pearl Warren and team, 4 hrs.	3 11

F. A. Knight, sack of salt	1 25	
	<u> </u>	\$25 91
		<u> </u>
		\$1,855 74
For upkeep of roads	\$1,426 61	
For washout on Francestown road	429 13	
	<u> </u>	\$1,855 74

GEORGE M. HOLMES, Road Agent.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT OF DOGS LICENSED

Males and Spayed Females	36	\$70 17
Females	4	20 00
		<u> </u>
		\$90 17
Less Clerk's Fees		8 00
		<u> </u>
		\$82 17

ARTHUR F. BELL, Clerk

REPORT OF SUNNYSIDE CEMETERY

Feb. 1st, 1924, Cash on hand	\$244 44
June 20, Received from Margaret Taylor	2 13
July 31st, Received from Margaret Taylor	246 63
Dec. 31, Received from Margaret Taylor	
U. S. Bonds	2 13
	\$495 33
Amount Paid Out	316 39
	\$178 94

Tomb Fund

Balance	\$117 12
May 15th, Paid Caughey & Pratt	\$117 12
May 1st, Paid W. P. Harrington	\$24 50
May 9th, Paid L. J. Parker	6 00
June 3rd, Paid Jeddy Holt	28 90
June 9th, Paid W. P. Harrington	19 25
June 2nd, Paid G. O. Joslin, seed and scythe	15 70
July 10th, Paid H. W. Wilson (Express)	58
July 13th, Paid Jeddy Holt (work)	15 25
July 13th, Paid L. J. Parker (work)	17 00
Aug. 1st, Paid A. E. Holt, supplies	17 07
Aug. 1st, Paid R. H. Llewellyn, binding map for cemetery	4 25
Sept. 15th, Paid W. P. Harrington (work)	30 36
Oct. 4th, Paid Jeddy Holt (work)	4 13
Oct. 11th, Paid W. P. Harrington (work)	26 66
Oct. 27th, Paid E. D. Newhall (loam)	30 00
Jan. 2nd, Paid G. O. Joslin, seed and cement	8 68
Jan. 2nd, Paid W. P. Harrington (work)	5 06
Jan. 2nd, Paid H. W. Wilson, work and seed	58 00
Paid F. G. Traxler, Treas.	5 00
	\$316 39

HENRY W. WILSON
FRANK G. TRAXLER

Report of Trustees of Evergreen Cemetery
For the Year Ending February, 1925

Dr.

By cash on hand February 1st, 1924		\$14 24
Received of Margaret Taylor, check for Whitney lot	13 09	
Received of Margaret Taylor, check for George L. Herrick lot	14 25	
Oct. 1st, Received from the John Atwood Family lot No. 7	5 00	
Total		\$46 58

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Paid Frank A. Taylor, work on Whitney lot	\$17 75	
Paid Frank A. Taylor, work on George L. Herrick lot	14 25	
Paid C. H. Philbrick, services	1 50	
W. C. Starrett fixing faucet and letting on water	1 25	
Cash on hand to balance	11 83	
		\$46 58

Remarks—At the town meeting last March \$200.00 was raised for the Evergreen Cemetery which does not appear in this report, as the Selectmen handled same for cutting trees, cleaning up and disposing of same. We would suggest that same amount be raised the coming meeting, some for trees as in Sunnyside Cemetery.

C. H. PHILBRICK,
Trustee of Evergreen Cemetery.

TRUSTEES AND LIBRARIAN'S REPORT OF THE G. E. P. DODGE LIBRARY

Year ending Jan. 30, 1925, is respectfully submitted.

Books numbered for circulation	7,099
Books purchased by Town Feb. 1924	80
Books by Gifts	
Raymond Dion	1
Mrs. Bertha Hudson	10
Harrison Wilson (Reading room)	3
Books by State	14
Magazines	
Mrs. E. R. Keeser	
Mrs. Mary L. Knight	
C. Dudley Kochersperger	
James D. McLaughlan	
A. J. Pierce	
Cards issued	325
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1924	\$1 01
For sale of worn magazines, May 10, 1924	\$1 15
Expenditure	93
Mending Cloth 53c, Oil 40c	
Fines	\$5 75
Paid H. W. Wilson	\$6 00
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1925	98

By Gifts

Hand made spike taken from the Kimball Shop, thought to be a hundred years old.

Model for trip hammer made by the late George Kimball. Presented by Charles Bartlett

Hand painted shell, showing the Battleship H. M. S. Renown coming into harbor at sunset, Coronado, Cal. Presented by Mrs. J. S. May

EMMA G. BARTLETT

Librarian

HENRY W. WILSON

FRANK G. TRAXLER

ALLAN GERRARD

Trustees

Treasurer's Report of G. E. P. Dodge Library

Jan. 31, 1925

Amount on hand Feb. 1, 1924	\$253 31
Rec'd from Town Treasurer	200 00
Rec'd from Trustees Trust Fund	
Interest Butler Fund	26 66
Rec'd from Emma Bartlett, Librarian	6 00
	\$485 97
Paid for electric lights	\$13 10
Paid for wood and putting in	41 50
Henry W. Wilson, carfare and money paid out	13 44
Express	1 85
Paid for insurance for 3 years	117 60
Paid for books and magazines	131 44
Paid Emma G. Bartlett, salary	50 00
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1925	117 04
	\$485 97

HENRY W. WILSON, Treas.

Approved:

FRANK G. TRAXLER
ALLAN GERRARD

FIREWARD'S REPORT FOR YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1925

Merrimack Engine No. 1 in good condition.

Chemical Engine first class conditoin.

1100 ft. of new rubber lined hose.

Ladder, Rubber Coats, Pails, Shovels, Fire Extinguishers in good condition.

The Company responded to several brush fires, also they were called out to one house fire, the Lumber Camp, and did excellent service, and also they were called out to several chimney fires.

We recommend the town purchase 200 ft. more of hose, 6 fire extinguishers, 1 dozen shovels.

HENRY W. WILSON
LEON MESSER
GEORGE H. KING

Firewards

FINANCIAL REPORT OF BENNINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Year Ending July 1, 1924

Margaret J. Taylor, Treasurer

Income from Local Taxation		
(raised by Selectmen)		
(a) For support of Elementary Schools	\$4,577 50	
(c) For support of High School	922 50	
Total	_____	\$5,500 00
From Sources Other than Taxation		
(b) Elementary School Tuitions	\$48 00	
	_____	\$48 00
Total		\$5,548 00
Total receipts from all sources		
Cash on hand July 1, 1923		715 45
		\$6,263 45

Report of School Treasurer

Cash on hand July 1, 1923		
Balance of previous year	\$715 45	
Appropriation and other receipts from Selectmen	5,500 00	
Receipts from other sources	48 00	

Total cash for Fiscal Year July 1, 1923 to June 30, 1924	6,263 45	
Total amount paid on School Board orders	5,647 61	

Cash on hand at end of Fiscal Year's Treasurer's Report	615 84	

Administration

1 D. Officers	\$115 00
2 Supt. Excess Salary	83 33
3 Truant Officers and Census	10 00
4 Expenses of Administration	7 91

Instruction

5 Teachers' Salaries	2,850 00
6 Text Books	93 44
7 Scholars' Supplies	83 88
8 Flags, Appurtenances	1 75
9 Other Expenses	12 84

Operation and Maintenance of School Plant

10 Janitor Service	287 16
11 Fuel	207 73
12 Water, Light, Janitors' Supplies	73 08
13 Minor Repairs and Expenses	36 83

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities

14 Medical Inspection	74 00
15 Transportation Pupils	342 00
16 High School and Academy Tuition	922 50
17 Elementary School Tuition	72 00
18 Other Special Activities (Music)	170 00

Fixed Charges

19 Insurance	2 16
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Outlay for Construction

23 New Equipment, 2 Clocks	18 00
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Debts and Other Charges

26 Per Capita \$2 State Wide Supervision	184 00
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Total Payment for All Purposes	\$5,647 61
Total cash on hand end of year, June 30, 1924	615 84
Grand Total	\$6,263 45

Assets June 30, 1924

Cash on hand

Balance June 30, 1924	615 84
Account due District from Town	876 50

Total Assets	\$1,492 34
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MARGARET J. TAYLOR

Treasurer

EMMA JOSLIN

CHARLES TAYLOR

Auditors

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board of Bennington:

Herewith is submitted for your consideration my sixth annual report on the condition of your schools.

Teachers

The primary and intermediate schools are fortunate in retaining the services of Miss Cashion and Miss Cilley. At the close of the school year in June Miss Guptill resigned her position in the grammar room, and after careful consideration Miss Edith M. Shedd of Peterboro, a teacher of experience and training was elected to fill the position.

The fall term opened with a very large enrollment in the primary room, there being over forty names on the register. This is entirely too large for one teacher to handle, especially with three grades in the room. On the opening of school after the Thanksgiving recess the grades were redistributed. The sixth grade was taken from the intermediate room and transferred to the grammar school room. This could be done very well as this latter room had only eleven pupils. The third grade was then taken from the primary room and placed in the intermediate room under the charge of Miss Cilley. Miss Cashion still has the grade in reading, however, as she can take them after recess in the morning when the first grade has gone home. This arrangement seems to be working very satisfactorily, and under the circumstances is much better than before the change was made.

The Work in General

I am quite sure that the work being done in your schools is producing excellent results as seen in the progress of the pupils as disclosed in tests that have been given in particular subjects.

Tests in reading and in the fundamental operations in arithmetic were given in the fall. The test in reading was intended to reveal the ability of the pupil to get the thought out of what he read. Fluent oral reading ordinarily is considered the test of a good reader, but, as often happens, a good oral reader is quite frequently

unable to comprehend what he has read, and as this ability is really the object of teaching reading in the schools the end, in many cases, has been very imperfectly attained.

In this test of six grades tested beginning with the third, four grades surpassed the standard set for the grade, two fell a little below the standard. In all grades but two, also, more than 66% of the grade surpassed the grade standard. The test, however, revealed the fact that we ought to emphasize silent reading as a part of the regular school work.

In the test in the fundamentals in arithmetic every grade went from four to ten points beyond the standard set for the grade. This shows, I think, that the systematic drill work which has been continued now for a year or so is producing results in the skill of the pupils to operate with numbers in the fundamental processes with accuracy and a fair amount of speed.

A test in spelling is to be given shortly on the work which has been covered this half year, and also on the work of the previous year to find out how well the pupils retain what they have once learned.

All these tests are standardized and by using them we are able to discover how our pupils stand in comparison with other pupils over the country as a whole, and it also shows individual weaknesses in the subject tested.

Repairs

While the school rooms as they stand are in very good repair there are one or two items that ought to receive serious consideration. Both the primary and intermediate rooms are large, and the lighting in them is totally inadequate. The ratio of lighting to floor space should be at least one fifth, that is, there should be one fifth as much clear window space as there is floor space. The ratio in each of these two rooms is from one tenth to one twelfth, showing that there is only about one half as much light in the room as there ought to be. In addition to this the light enters the room from the wrong direction. It should come from the left and rear. In the primary room it comes from two sides, the right and left, and in the intermediate room from the right, left

and rear. The same condition prevails, also, in the grammar room. On a cloudy day it is impossible to see without resorting to artificial light, and as the lights are not shaded in any way the eye strain caused is very harmful. This condition could be remedied by an entire remodeling and rearrangement of the rooms which it would take too long to describe here. However, the matter should be seriously considered and measures taken to remedy the condition as soon as possible.

A beginning should be made, also, in equipping each school with modern, adjustable seats and desks. Those in use are of old fashioned type which cannot be made to fit the pupil. To growing children this is a very important matter and serious deformity may, and often does, result from an improper school desk. The financial burden would not be very great if one room was equipped each year, beginning with the primary room.

It may be of interest to some to know how much it takes to educate a child for a year in Bennington. Last year the total expense of the schools, not including High School tuition, was \$4725.11. This amount includes all fixed charges such as the state tax, salaries of district officers, expenses of administration, etc. Based on an average membership of 70.9 pupils the expense for each pupil was \$66.64. This runs quite close to the state average.

Attendance

Last year there were 83 different pupils enrolled in the schools, with an average membership of 70.9 and an average attendance for the year of 66.6. The per cent of attendance for the year was 94, with 34 cases of tardiness. This is an average of .5 per pupil in average membership, a very good record. The per cent of attendance surpassed the average for the state. The following are the pupils of last year without an absent or tardy mark.

Primary Room
Joseph Diemond
Florence Edwards
George McGrath
William Newhall

Intermediate Room
Helen McGrath
Harry Joslin
Kathleen Shea
Agnes Diemond
William Cashion

Grammar Room
 Natalie Edwards
 Ruth McCoy
 Bernice Robertson

The following is the report of the health inspection of last June.

Defective vision	14
Defective hearing	2
Anaemia	15
Cardiac Disease	1
Pulmonary (Asthma)	1
Defective teeth	53
Enlarged tonsils	33
Adenoids	11
Defects of breathing	12
Enlarged glands	41
Orthopedic defects (Posture)	5

Two cases of defective vision, 16 cases of defective teeth, 5 of enlarged tonsils, and 5 of adenoids were reported as having been treated since last examination.

To all who have cooperated in the work of the schools may I express my appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. PRIOR

Statistical Report for Year Ending June 1924

Education	School	Teacher	Enrollment	Ave. Membership	Ave. Attendance	Per Cent Attendance	Tardiness	Official Visits	Other Visits
Grammar	Ruth Guptill	Keene Normal Summer Sessions	45	37	34	92	16	22	67
Intermediate	*Lulu Cilley	Keene Normal Summer Sessions	23	19.2	18.2	95	9	25	48
Primary	*Mae Cashion	Keene Normal 1 yr.	15	14.7	14.38	97.2	9	20	15
Total			83	70.9	66.6	93.9	34	67	130

*State Certificate

Errata:—

The figures in this table opposite the Grammar department belong with the Primary department and those opposite the Primary department belong with the Grammar department.

SCHOOL BUDGET FOR 1925-26

Teachers's Salaries	\$3,000 00
Officers' Salaries	125 00
Transportation	360 00
Tuition	1,300 00
Fuel	200 00
Electric Light	12 00
Books and Supplies	250 00
Janitor	300 00
Music	200 00
Supt. Excess Salary	87 50
Insurance	25 00
Medical Inspection	100 00
Incidentals and Repairs	150 00
Flags	15 00
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	\$6,124 50

REPORT OF SEXTON OF TOWN OF BENNINGTON, N. H. From January 31, 1924, to January 15, 1925

Name	Age			Died	Disease	Brought From	Place of Interment
	Yrs.	Mo.	Da.				
Martha E. Knight	82	8	22	February 21	Acute Bronchitis		Bennington
William S. Downes	70	2	1	May 5	Cerebral Hemorrhage	Grasmere	"
Adalett M. Dodge	78	1	15	September 10	Apoplexy		"
Ila E. Chase	31			December 1	Pulmonary Tuberculosis	Pembroke	"
Paul Traxler, Jr.	2			December 1	Menengitis Pneumonia	Nashua	"
Sophia Scarbo	84	7	8	December 23	Influenza	Manchester	"
Report of Sexton of Mount Calvary Cemetery							
Christina Haas	56	2	19	January 6	Pernicious Anemia	Hancock	Bennington
Hannah Bishop	70			March 26	Pararena of Intestines	Belmont, Mass.	Peterboro
Margaret Clary	56	1	2	September 10	Epilepsy		Bennington
Bertha Diemond	29	7	11	May 15	Genual Peretinitis	Hancock	"

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK A. TAYLOR, Sexton.

REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Year Ending January 31, 1925

Balance Accounts Due 1923	\$ 25 16	
Due in 1924	1,531 63	
	—————	\$1,556 79
Paid Town Treasurer	\$1,335 60	
Labor and Collecting	139 25	
Pipe and Supplies	45 03	
Balance uncollected	36 91	
	—————	\$1,556 79

Total amount of Bonds outstanding at First of Year \$19,000.00. Of this amount \$4,000.00 has been paid off out of Town Treasury, leaving balance now due of \$15,000.00.

ARTHUR J. PIERCE
HARRY W. BROWN
ARTHUR F. BELL

Commissioners.

Report of Trust Funds of Town of Bennington, January 31, 1925

Date of Creation	Trust Funds Purpose of Fund and Donor	How Funds are Invested As required by Chapter 162, Laws of 1915	Amount of Principal	Rate of Int't %	Income During Year	Expended During Year
May 1916	Abram A. Ramsey, Cem'y fd	Manchester Savings Bank	\$ 300 00	4½	84 68	84 68
Dec. 1906	G. A. Whittemore	N. H. Savings Bank	300 00	4½	12 96	12 96
Feb. 1905	Anna M. Woodbury	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	4½	9 41	9 41
Mar. 1906	Helen P. Ramsey	" "	200 00	4½	9 41	9 41
July 1913	George L. Herrick	" "	200 00	4½	14 25	14 25
Mar. 1914	Mrs. A. D. Green	" "	200 00	4½		
Mar. 1914	Mrs. C. M. Whitney	" "	200 00	4½	13 09	13 09
Apr. 1914	Abram A. Ramsey	" "	1766 16	4½	80 68	80 68
Jan. 1915	C. J. Kimball	" "	150 00	4½	6 85	6 85
Jan 1916	Willard S. Carkin	" "	332 20	4½	15 16	15 16
Feb 1917	Augustus W. Gray	" "	100 00	4½	4 57	4 57
Sept 1918	W. H. Darrah	" "	50 00	4½	2 28	2 28
Jan 1919	Clara R. Whittemore	N. H. Savings Bank	100 00	4½	4 32	4 32
July 1919	Ann M. Eaton	Registered U. S. Bond, 108903	100 00	4¼	4 25	4 25
Dec. 1921	Edward I. Dodge	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	4½	9 36	9 36
Oct. 1922	Horace Dinsmore	N. H. Savings Bank	100 00	4½		
Mar. 1923	John D. Butler	" "	225 00	4½	6 75	6 75
Aug. 1923	Calvin S. Brown	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	4½		
Apr. 1923	J. D & M. Butler, Lib'y fd	N. H. Savings Bank	1000 00	4½	26 66	26 66

**Budget of the Town of
BENNINGTON, N. H.**

**Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures
for the Ensuing Year
Jan. 31, 1925, to Jan. 31, 1926**

**Compared with Actual Revenue
and Expenditures of the
Previous Year
Jan. 31, 1924, to Jan. 31, 1925**

Sources of Revenue	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1924	Estimated Rev. Ensuing Year 1925	Increase	Decrease
FROM STATE:				
Insurance Tax	3 00	3 00		
Railroad Tax	146 82	146 82		
Savings Bank Tax	1036 30	1036 30		
For Fighting Forest Fires	36 85	36 85		
For Highways				
(a) For St. Aid Maint.	269 14	300 00	30 86	
(b) For Tr. L. Maint.	2943 60	2250 00		693 60
FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES				
All Licenses and Permits				
except Dog Licenses	1054 98	1054 98		
Rent of Town Hall				
and Other Buildings	562 83	562 83		
Water Works	1335 60	1335 60		
FROM POLL TAXES				
From other taxes except				
property taxes	1460 00	1460 00		
(b) Int. and Div'ds	46 30	46 30		
Revenue Applicable Only to				
(New Const. and Impvts.				
From State:				
(a) For State Aid High-				
way Construction	1149 54	630 47		519 07
Revenue Applicable Only to				
Paymts. on Indebtedness:				
Amt. taken from Sinking				
Funds to Pay Prin.				
of Debt.	7000 00	3000 00		4000 00
Revenue Which Must be				
Paid to Other Gov.				
Divisions	10173 41	10173 41		
Amount Raised by				
Property Taxes	19038 76	19038 76	30 86	5212 67
TOTAL REVENUES	46257 13	41075 32		5181 81

Purposes of Expenditures	Actual Expt. Previous Year 1924	Estimated Expt. Ensuing Year 1925	Increase	Decrease
Current Maint. Expenses:				
General Government:				
Town Officers' Salaries	708 05	708 05		
Town Officers' Expenses	359 58	359 58		
Election and Regis. Exp.	116 85	60 00		56 85
Care and Supplies for				
Town Hall	701 81	701 81		
Protection of Persons and Property:				
Police Department	135 34	135 34		
Fire Department	441 10	286 05		155 05
Moth Extermination	438 50	400 00		38 50
Health:				
Health Department	123 53	123 53		
Vital Statistics	8 00	8 00		
Highways and Bridges:				
State Aid Maintenance				
State's Contribution	269 14	250 00		19 14
Town's Contribution	269 14	250 00		19 14
Trunk Line Maintenance				
State's Contribution	2943 60	2250 00		693 60
Town's Contribution	981 20	750 00		231 20
Town Maintenance	1872 90	1500 00		372 90
Street Lighting	695 82	695 82		
General Expense of				
Highway Dept.	479 75	154 75		325 00
Education:				
Libraries	200 00	200 00		

Purposes of Expenditures	Actual Expt. previous Year 1924	Estimated Expt. Ensuing Year 1925	Increase	Decrease
Charities:				
Town Poor	17 60	17 60		
Patriotic Purposes:				
Memorial Day and Other Celebrations	95 00	100 00	5 00	
Public Service Enterprises:				
Auto Permits	32 50	32 50		
Cemeteries	336 88	286 88		50 00
Town Clock	29 38	29 38		
INTEREST:				
On Temporary Loans	96 25			96 25
On Long Term Notes	427 50	675 00	247 50	
Outlay for New Const. and Permanent Impvts.:				
Highways and Bridges				
State Aid Construction				
State's Contribution	1149 54	630 47		519 07
Town's Contribution	2874 29	1576 18		1298 11
Indebtedness:				
Payment on Principal of Debt				
(a) Temporary Loans	3000 00			3000 00
(b) Long Term Notes				
Water Works	4000 00	3000 00		1000 00
Payments to Other Govt. Div.:				
State Taxes	2427 50	2427 50		
County Taxes	1780 01	1780 01		
Pay'ts to School Dist.	5965 90	6124 50	158 60	
TOTAL EXPEND.	32976 66	25512 95	411 10	7874 81



VITAL STATISTICS

1924

Births Registered in town of Bennington for Year ending Dec. 31st, 1924

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Living or Sh	No. of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Mar. 4	George Lambros	M	4	Lambros Chiripactos	Evagely Metaruga	Bennington	Laborer	Greece	Greece
Mar. 12	Carl George	M	2	Laczelas Thurston	Eunice Lovren	Antrim	Handle Fin.	Stoddard, N. H.	Hancock, N. H.
Mar. 12	Eva	F	4	Charles Cole	Grace French	Bennington	Sawyer	Plainville, N. H.	Bennington, N. H.
Mar. 13	Marie Mirelma	F	1	Leane Breda	Clariantello Luella	Bennington	Laborer	Italy	France
May 13	Maxine Mae	F	6	Harry W. Brown	Mary A. Richards	Bennington	Engineer	Bennington	Orange, Mass.
Apr. 3	Vasilios Antonios	M	3	Antonio Kourkounis	Efrosini Telou	Bennington	Laborer	Greece	Greece
Apr. 29	Edwina Ilazel	F	1	George T. McKay	Leona M. Gregg	Bennington	Finisher	Antrim, N. H.	McVn Mills, N. H.
July 8	Bertha Mary	F	3	Arthur Diamond	Margaret O'Connor	Bennington	Paper Mill	Greenfield, N. H.	Ireland
July 10	Elizabeth Lorraine	F	4	Joseph M. Landry	Amanda Richards	Bennington	Gen. Laborer	Canada	Nashua, N. H.
July 19	Charles Edward	M	7	Frank L. McNeil	Inez Lena Surlner	Bennington	Paper Mill	Salem, N. H.	Chester, Mass.
Oct. 31	Spedo Jan	M	4	Jim Kourkounis	Joyl D. Cecus	Bennington	Paper Mill	Greece	Greece
Dec. 10	Adolph Stevens	M	5	Israel A. Mantley	Ella May Dennis	Bennington	Truck Dr.	Flizwilliam, N. H.	Lowell, Mass.
Dec. 30	James Joseph	M	3	James J. McKenna	Mary Maeger	Bennington	Machinist	Prince Edward Is.	Boston, Mass.
Dec. 30	Francis Deehan	M	1	Francis Deegan	Rose Deehan	Boston, Ms.	Photographer		Boston, Mass.
Jan. 25	Beatrice	F	1	Peter Sotolopolo	Agaceca Koulioutyris	Bennington	Paper Mill	Greece	Greece

*Not reported in 1909

Marriages Registered in the Town of Bennington for Year Ending Dec. 31st 1924

Date and Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at Time of marriage	Age of Groom and Bride	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	Name, res. and Office of Person by whom married
Feb. 9	Harry C. Clafin Nelle Shea	Bennington	46 34	Mechanic Housekeeper	Hancock Vt. Nashua, N. H.	Jane Hopkins Elias Elverson John Shea Catherine Gallivan	Hancock, Vt. Hancock, Vt. Ireland	Housewife Retired	Rev. Garfield Morgan Cong'l Minister Lynn, Mass.
Mar. 6	Gust A. French Ruth L. Wilson	Tilton N. H. Bennington	20 26	Clerk At home	Tilton, N. H. Bennington	Charles A. Hill Henry W. Wilson Hattie A. Kimball	Northfield, N. H. Bennington, N. H. Bennington, N. H.	Liveryman Housewife Ins. Agent Housewife	Earl C. Osborne Minister Bennington, N. H.
Mar. 15	Jos. Cyril Bernier Florence Kimball	Bennington	19	Woodsman	Forst, N. Y.	Amie Role	Penacook, N. H.	Housewife	Rev. Chas. J. Leddy Catholic Priest Hillsboro, N. H.
Aug. 25	Alex. A. MacPherson Vivian A. Alling	Webster, N. H. W. Haven, Conn.	20 26	Laborer El. Cont.	Webster, N. H. N. Haven, Conn.	Harry Kimball Jessie Griffen Colin J. MacPherson	Webster, N. H. Hopkinton, N. H. Scotland	Laborer Housewife Carpenter	Earl C. Osborne Minister Bennington, N. H.
Dec. 17	Arthur W. Harrison Ruth R. Butler	W. Haven, Conn. Bennington	24 23	Secretary Cutl'y Sh.	W. Haven, Conn. Quincy, Mass.	Jessie Giles Frank D. Alling Hattie Croft Ellen Cleary	N. Haven, Conn. Torrington, Vt. Frattriboro, Vt.	Housewife Bldg. Cont. Housewife	Rev. Chas. J. Leddy Catholic Priest Hillsboro, N. H.
		Lowell, Mass.	23	Cutl'y Sh.	Lowell, Mass.	Henry Edward Butler	Sumners, Pa. Lowell, Mass. Lowell, Mass.	Housewife Cutler	

Deaths Registered in the Town of Bennington for Year Ending Dec. 31, 1924

Date of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	AGE		Place of Birth	Sex	M.D.W.	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Place of Birth		Cause of Death
		Yrs.	Mo's							Father	Mother	
Feb. 21	Martha Elizabeth Knight	82	8	Bennington	F	W		Arnold Burt	Betsy Taylor	Hancock	Hancock	Acute Bronchitis
*Jan. 6	Christina Haas	56	2	Bennington	F	S	Housework	Richard Bishop	Mary Flynn	Ireland	Ireland	Periculous Aemia
*Mar. 20	Hannah Bishop	70	7	Bennington	F	S		Alexis R. W. Burt	Hannah Matthews	Ireland	Ireland	Carcinoma Intestine
*June 15	Bertha M. Diamond	29	7	Bennington	F	W	Retired	Patrick Cashion	Ellen Shea	Bennington	Bennington	General Peritonitis
Sept. 9	Adalact M. Dodge	78	1	Bennington	F	M	At home	John Atwood	Ida Barnes	Ireland	Ireland	Apoplexy
Sept. 9	Margaret C. Clary	56	1	Bennington	F	M	Housework	Paul Traxler	Ida Barnes	Ireland	Ireland	Rupture at heart
*Oct. 1	Ira E. Chase	31	1	Bennington	M	S		John Atwood	Ida Barnes	Bennington	Bennington	Pulmry Tuberculosis
*Dec. 1	Paul Traxler, Jr.	2	2	Bennington	M	S		Paul Traxler	Sophia Pratt	Canada	Canada	Meningitis
*Dec. 23	Sophia Scarbo	84	7	Troy, N. Y.	F	W	Retired	John Mitchell	Sophia Pratt	Canada	Canada	Influenza

*Brought here for burial

ARTHUR F. BELL, Town Clerk

