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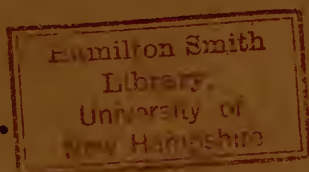
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TOWN OFFICERS

*Moderator*

GEORGE PARKHURST

*Town Clerk*

HELEN M. B. LANG

*Selectmen*

JOHN R. JACKSON

EARL KEACH

ERNEST U. SIMS

*Treasurer*

HELEN M. B. LANG

*Collector*

JEANNETTE G. HOLBROOK

*Highway Agents*

EARL PILBRO

ANDREW JACKSON

LYNN GRAY

GEORGE R. BROWN

CARROLL STODDARD

*Supervisors*

MAURICE M. CASS

ALBION PARKHURST

TRUMAN PILBRO

*Library Trustees*

GEORGE PARKHURST

MARION WELLS

*Librarian*

KATE J. PARKHURST

*Board of Health*

WILLIAM E. CONE

*Surveyor of Wood and Lumber*

GEORGE PARKHURST

**WARNING OF THE ANNUAL MARCH MEETING  
1928**

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To the inhabitants of the Town of Columbia, in the County of Coos, in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town of Columbia, on Tuesday the 13th day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the follownig subjects:

1. To choose by ballot and major vote a Town Clerk for the year next ensuing.
2. To choose by ballot and major vote one Selectman for the three years next ensuing.
3. To choose by ballot and major vote one or more auditors for the year ensuing.
4. To choose by ballot and major vote Library Trustees for the year ensuing.
5. To choose by ballot and major vote all other necessary town officers for the next year ensuing.
6. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of the poor for the year ensuing.
7. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the repairs of highways and bridges.
8. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for winter roads.
9. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the building and maintenance of State Roads.
10. To see if the town will vote to build and construct a new bridge over Lyman Brook on the Meridan Hill Road, and make appropriation for the same.

11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower its Selectmen to sell the "Chandler Property" in said Columbia, and being the same property as conveyed to said Town of Columbia by Eugene Jordan, Adm. of the Estate of Frank E. Chandler, late of said Columbia, deceased, and to do any act or thing that may be necessary in the premises.

12. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the upkeep of the cemetery.

13. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the upkeep of the Public Library.

14. To hear the report of Agents, Auditors, Committees and Officers heretofore chosen to pass any motion relating thereto.

15. To transact any other business which may legally come before the meeting.

16. To bring in your votes for the election of Delegates-at-large, Alternate Delegates-at-large, District Delegates, Alternate District Delegates to the National Conventions of the Democratic and Republican parties, to be held for the purpose of nominating party candidates for President and Vice President of the United States.

Given under our hands and seal this 18th day of February, 1928.

E. U. SIMS,  
E. D. KEACH,  
J. R. JACKSON,

Selectmen of Town of Columbia.

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 INVOICE OF PROPERTY
 

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253 Polls	\$506 00
Real Estate	681 775 00
181 Horses	17 415 00
808 Cows	56 435 00
111 Neat Stock	5 080 00
73 Sheep	837 00
28 Hogs	497 00
175 Fowls	235 00
Wood and Lumber	11 325 00
15 Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	2 150 00
Stock in trade	750 00
Mills and Machinery	1 600 00
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	\$778 099 00

Rate \$2.51

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 TAXES ASSESSED IN 1927
 

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State Tax	\$1 616 70
County Tax	1 543 57
Support of Poor	300 00
Highways and Bridges	2 000 00
Winter Roads	700 00
State Aid Construction	1 119 00
State Aid Maintenance	350 00
Trunk Line Maintenance	3 760 00
Public Library	200 00
Cemeteries	100 00
Town Charges	600 00
School Budget	7 595 88
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	\$19 885 15
Add Less than 5%	837 86
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	\$20 723 01



BALANCE SHEET

LIABILITIES

None

Surplus

\$ 000 00  
3 392 21  
\$3 392 21

ASSETS

Cash in Treasurer's hand \$1 656 36  
 Taxes bid off by Town 286 91  
 Taxes Not Collected 1927 117 94  
 Taxes Not Collected 1926 76 00  
 Chandler House 1 255 00  
\$3 392 21

Total Assets \$3 392 21  
 Net Surplus Jan. 31, 1927 \$3 083 00  
 Net Surplus Jan. 31, 1928 3 392 21

Increase of Surplus \$309 21

## RECEIPTS

	Property Tax 1927	\$19 549 53
	Less Abatements	59 80
	Uncollected	117 94
		<u>177.74</u>
1	Property Tax actually collected	\$19 371 79
2	Poll Taxes, 232 at \$2.00	464 00
3	Taxes Collected previous years	339 29
	Total Taxes Collected	<u>\$20 175 08</u>
4	Tax Sales Redeemed	24 45
	<i>Received from State</i>	
5	For highways:	
	(a) Highways	3 996 31
	(b) Plowing Roads	335 40
	(c) Cedar Posts	37 70
8		
9		
12	Fighting Forest Fires	35 50
	<i>Received from Local Sources</i>	
16	Dog Licenses	82 50
19	Rent of Town Hall	40 00
24	Highway Dept. for Use of Roller	15 00
26	Automobile Permits	578 28
28	Temporary Loans	9 000 00
33	Refunds	56 81
34	Subscription for Plowing Roads	200 00
36	Chandler House, Rent	10 00
37	Received for Chandler Cow	40 00
		<u>\$34 627 03</u>
	Cash on Hand Feb. 1, 1927	4 109 17
	Grand Total	<u>\$38 736 20</u>

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 PAYMENTS
 

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General Government	
1 Town Officers' Salaries	\$655 50
2 Town Officers' Expenses	146 50
5 Expense Town Hall	69 50
Protection of Persons and Property	
7 Fire Department	3 00
9 Bounties	5 00
10 Damage by Dogs	11 00
Health	
11 Health Department	6 00
12 Vital Statistics	10 05
Highways and Bridges	
14 State Aid Maintenance	750 60
15 Trunk Line Maintenance	6 250 49
16 Town Maintenance	2 368 87
17 Winter Roads	1 093 36
18 General Expenses	9 00
Libraries	
19 Town Library	215 00
Charities	
20 Town Poor	162 34
Public Service Enterprises	
27 Cemeteries	28 00
Unclassified	
29 Taxes bought by Town	286 91
30 Town Charges	136 30
Interest	
33 Interest on Temporary Loans	190 86
New Construction	
37 State Aid Construction	2 233 70
Indebtedness	
45 Paid Temporary Loans	9 000 00
Payments to Other Divisions	
51 Taxes Paid to State	1 346 25
52 Taxes Paid to County	1 543 57
54 Schools	10 558 00
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	\$37 079 84
Cash on Hand Jan. 31, 1928	1 656 20
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Grand Total	\$38 736 20

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 DETAIL OF PAYMENTS
 

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No. 1. *Town Officers' Salaries*

Alpheus Frizzell, Auditor	\$ 3 00
George Parkhurst, Moderator	5 00
George Parkhurst, Janitor	23 00
Kate Parkhurst, Librarian	50 00
Albion Parkhurst, Supervisor	12 00
M. M. Cass, Supervisor	12 00
Helen M. B. Lang, Town Clerk	45 00
Helen M. B. Lang, Town Treasurer	40 00
Helen M. B. Lang, Auto Permits	32 50
F. G. Marshall, Auditor	3 00
Earl Keach, Selectman	100 00
E. U. Sims, Selectman	115 00
John Jackson, Selectman	100 00
Jeannette G. Holbrook, Tax Collector	115 00
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	\$ 665 50

No. 2. *Town Officers' Expenses*

A. H. Martin, printing Town Reports	\$ 55 70
Colebrook Sentinel, notice	1 60
A. H. Martin, printing	1 25
Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies	22 77
Harry C. Hikel, expenses	50
Jeannette G. Holbrook, clerical work	15 00
L. D. Ripley, legal services	32 00
Helen M. B. Lang, books, stamps, etc.	6 02
Earl Keach, expenses to Lancaster	2 50
E. U. Sims, postage and expenses	6 70
J. R. Jackson, expenses to Lancaster	2 50
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	\$ 146 54

No. 5. *Town Hall*

George W. Martin, insurance	\$ 50 00
Lynn Parkhurst, 2 cords wood	6 50
Electric lights	13 00
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	\$ 69 50

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<i>No. 7. Fire Department</i>	
Andrew Jackson, posting bills	\$ 3 00
<i>No. 9. Bounties</i>	
Harry Clark, bounty on bear	5 00
<i>No. 10. Sheep Killed by Dogs</i>	
Lovell Oaks, 1 sheep	\$ 11 00
<i>No. 11. Health</i>	
F. L. Gilbert, antitoxin for McDonald children	6 00
<i>No. 12. Vital Statistics</i>	
Helen M. B. Lang	10 05
<i>No. 14. State Aid Maintenance</i>	
Expended by Earl Keach	31 00
Expended by Carroll Stoddard	500 00
Expended by Lynn Gray	103 60
Expended by Andrew Jackson	116 00
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	\$ 750 60
<i>No. 15. Trunk Line Maintenance</i>	
M. C. R. R., freight and demurrage	\$ 107 60
Andrew Jackson, cedar posts	37 70
Expended by Orville Trask	2 499 52
Expended by E. U. Sims	3 605 67
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	\$6 250 49
<i>No. 16. Town Maintenance</i>	
H. N. Cone, for plank	\$ 11 91
H. R. Jondro, bill	15 00
Albion Parkhurst	2 00
F. L. Blake	10 50
Chas. Marshall	11 00
Colebrook Hdw. Co.	19 00
Earl Keach	3 00
E. U. Sims	13 50
John R. Jackson	3 00
Andrew Jackson	293 19
George B. Brown	500 00
Earl Pilbro	496 00

Carroll Stoddard	590 00
Lynn Gray	400 77
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	\$2 368 87

No. 17. *Winter Roads*

Parks & Bass, ploughing	\$ 620 80
Irving Blodgett	10 00
M. M. Cass	5 00
F. G. Marshall	13 50
Andrew Jackson	99 56
George Brown	23 00
Earl Pilbro	10 50
Lynn Gray	27 50
Carroll Stoddard	283 50
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	\$1 093 36

No. 18. *General Expenses*

John M. Wright, watering trough 2 years	\$ 6 00
M. H. Gray, watering trough	3 00
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	\$ 9 00

No. 19. *Libraries*

Kate Parkhurst, Librarian	\$ 200 00
Albion Parkhurst, shelves	15 00
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	\$ 215 00

No. 20. *Town Poor*

Dr. W. F. Noyes, for Eben Howe & Son	\$ 137 34
Lancaster Hospital, for Leonard Whiting	25 00
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	\$ 162 34

No. 27. *Cemeteries*

Alpheus Frizzell	\$ 12 00
Findley McDonald	6 00
M. H. Gray	10 00
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	\$ 28 00

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 COLLECTOR'S REPORT
 

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1927 Taxes Assessed		\$20 013 53
Abatements	\$ 59 80	
Uncollected	117 94	
Paid Treasurer	.. 19 835 79	
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Jan. 31, 1928.

JEANNETTE G. HOLBROOK,  
Collector.

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 LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY
 

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Town Hall, land and buildings	\$6 000 00
Furniture and equipment	200 00
Library, furniture and equipment	1 000 00
Chandler House and Lot	1 255 00
Highway Department and Equipment	1 000 00
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	\$9 455 00

## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF COLUMBIA FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1927

Date of Birth	Name of the Child (if any) Sex and Condition	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
May 4, 1927	Austin E. Gray M	Everett M. Gray L 2	Mary E. Daly	Lemington, N. H.	Lemington, Vt.
May 12, 1927	Alva Robert Bunnell M	Jesse D. Bunnell L 4	Josephine D. LeNieux	Colebrook, N. H.	Clarksville
May 13, 1927	Everett Arnold Stanton M	Walter J. Stanton L 3	Wilma Whiting	Clarksville	Columbia, N. H.
May 21, 1927	Elwin Pinckney M	Elwin Pinckney L 3	Marjorie Woodard	Columbia	Columbia
*May 4, 1926	Lessie Leone Gilley F	Leon W. Gilley L 5	Effie M. Neary	Stewartstown, N. H.	New Brunswick
*Oct. 12, 1919	George Edwin Gilley M	Leon W. Gilley L 3	Effie M. Neary	Stewartstown, N. H.	New Brunswick
May 11, 1927	Mary Ellen Wells F	Hiram J. Wells L 1	Marrion E. Martin	Hemelord, P. Q.	Columbia
June 18, 1927	Leah Mary Wright F	Harold N. DeLong L 5	Mary Etta Wright	Colebrook, N. H.	Oxford, Maine
June 30, 1927	Dean Ansel DeLong M	Jesse Leon Cass L 5	Sadie L. Bennett	Columbia, N. H.	Columbia, N. H.
July 25, 1927	Roland Wayne Cass M	Jesse Leon Cass L 5	Lillian M. Coates	Columbia, N. H.	Averill, Vt.
Aug. 11, 1927	Adrian Philip Bennett M	Joseph Clavette L 6	Ethel P. Smith	Columbia, N. H.	Columbia, N. H.
*Apr. 14, 1907	Blanche Minnie Clavette F	Melrose A. Gould L 7	Margaret Kenney	Canada	Eaton Corner, Can.
July 9, 1927	Lawrence Noyes M	George A. Noyes L 4	Alice J. Berly	Colebrook, N. H.	Pittsburg, N. H.
Aug. 3, 1927	Clarence A. Frizzell M	Alpheus B. Frizzell L 8	Lela M. Brockney	Colebrook, N. H.	Magog, P. Q.
Sept. 15, 1927	Infant Parkhurst M	Lyman Parkhurst SB 1	Catherine E. Martin	Canada, Vt.	Columbia, N. H.
Feb. 17, 1927	Naomi Adeline Kenney F	Guy O. Kenney L 7	Madeline Gadwah	Columbia, N. H.	Columbia, N. H.
*Jan. 25, 1926	Charlotte Rita Kenney F	Guy O. Kenney L 7	Elsie Richardson	Dudswell, Que.	Colebrook, N. H.
May 9, 1927	Florence May Aldrich F	Theron Aldrich L 8	Minnie M. Parker	Lynnan, N. H.	Colebrook, N. H.
Nov. 18, 1927	Alberta Harriett F	Sam Berry L 1	Abma Kirk	Pittsburg	Columbia, N. H.
Nov. 25, 1927	William James Wright M	Watson Wright L 1	Marion G. Parker	Pittsburg	Canada
Dec. 19, 1927	Dorothy Lucile Howe F	Eben C. Howe L 3	Vera Grigg	Oxford, N. H.	Canada
Dec. 20, 1927	Elsie Irene Bunnell F	Burl Bunnell L 7	Marion Murphy	Colebrook	Columbia
Dec. 24, 1927				East Columbia	Prince Edward Is.

\*Not reported before.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
**HELEN M. B. LANG, Town Clerk.**



MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN TOWN OF COLUMBIA FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1927

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Name, Residence and Official Station of Persons by whom married
Sept. 20, 1927	Stewartstown, N. H.	Glenville Washburn Elizabeth Lesperence	24 18	Farming Shoe Shop Work	Pittsburg, N. H. Lancaster, N. H.	William Washburn Florence Crawford Peter Lesperence Hattie Paul	O. J. Poor, Justice of the Peace, Stewartstown, N. H.

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 HELEN M. B. LANG, Town Clerk.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF COLUMBIA FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1927

Date of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	Single, Married Widowed	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
		Y	M	D				
Apr. 7, 1927	Iona Leota McKeage	6	8	8	Columbia		Robert McKeage	Mabel Harding
Apr. 27, 1927	Charles Austin Gray	49	4	12	Lemington, Vt.	Married	Michael Gray	Ellen Plunket
Mar. 27, 1927	Elvira E. Springer	90	3	5				
Aug. 6, 1927	Mrs. Ellen H. Gray	71	11	27	Canada	Married	Iugh Plunkett	
Sept. 5, 1927	Julia E. Blodgett	64	3	6	Columbia, N. H.	Married	Benjamin Barnett	Melvinia Jordan
Dec. 2, 1927	Esther Anna Tibbatts	50	6	26				

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**HELEN M. B. LANG, Town Clerk.**



