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#### TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator Ira E. Elliott

Clerk W. W. Eastman

Selectmen, W. J. Yeaton, John Boutin, Herman Morrill

Treasurer John E. Cox

Collector Floyd J. Hutchins

Supervisors, F. J. Hutchins, V. A. Brooks, H. H. Elliott

Sexton Charles C. Tyler

Road Agents Alfred U. Mardin, E. T. Page

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

Floyd Hutchins, G. N. Belyea

Library Trustees

W. J. Yeaton, W. W. Eastman, John Cox

**Trustees of Trust Funds** 

W. J. Yeaton, W. W. Eastman, John Cox

School Board E. J. Yeaton, I. E. Elliott, Ione Cox

Auditor N. Burke

Constable N. Burke

Fence Viewers Victor A. Brooks, K. L. Howe

Librarian W. W. Eastman

Poundkeeper J. E. Cox

#### TOWN WARRANT

#### State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Benton in the County of Grafton in said state qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Benton on the tenth day of March next at ten of the clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Article 2. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees and Officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 3. To choose one Selectman for three years.

Article 4. To choose one or more Highway Agents for the ensuing year not to exceed three.

Article 5. To choose one Library Trustee for three years.

Article 6. To choose one Trustee of Trust Funds for 3 years.

Article 7. To choose a Town Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Article 8. To choose a Tax Collector for the ensuing year.

Article 9. To choose an Auditor for the ensuing year.

Article 10. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintaining of the town highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

Article 11. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for state aid maintenance for the ensuing year.

Article 12. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for State Aid construction for the ensuing year.

Article 13. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for Trunk Line maintenance for the ensuing year.

Article 14. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise to pay on debt and interest.

Article 15. To see if town will vote to keep certain highways in suitable condition as far as possible for automobiles during winter, and if so to see what action Town will take regarding equipment suitable for this purpose, and to vote necessary sums of money.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to construct, rebuild, resurface or repair a part of the highway leading from Churchill's Corner in the direction of Tunnell Stream Bridge, and if so voted to designate what portion, and vote the necessary money for same.

Article 17. To see what action Town will take regarding water boxes in the town.

Article 18. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for Memorial Day.

Article 19. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for other town charges for the ensuing year.

Article 20. To see if Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money on the credit of the Town until such time as the taxes may be collected.

Article 21. To see how much money the Townwill vote to raise to fight Blister Rust.

Article 22. To see what action Town will take on purchasing proper tools for fighting fires, and to vote necessary sum of money.

Article 23. To choose all other Town Officers and transact all other business that may properly come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this fifth day of February 1931.

W. J. YEATON,
JOHN BOUTIN,
HERMAN MORRILL,
Selectmen of Benton, N. H.

A True Copy. Attest:

W. J. YEATON, JOHN BOUTIN, HERMAN MORRILL, Selectmen of Benton, N. H.

#### BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BENTON

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the ensuing year, Feb. 1, 1931 to Feb. 1, 1932. Compared with actual Revenue and Expenditures of the previous year, Feb. 1, 1930 to Feb. 1, 1931.

Sources of Revenue	Actual Revenue 1930	Estimated Revenue 1931
From State:		
Nat'l Forest Reserve	558 94	\$ 558 94
Railroad Tax	48 67	48 67
Savings Bank Tax	51 21	51 21
Bounties	89 60	150 00
For Fighting Forest Fires		15 60
For Highways:		
(a) State Aid Maint.	293 75	400 00
Interest and Dividend Tax	19 57	19 57
Abatement State Tax	413 01	413 01
From Local Sources except Taxe	s:	
All Licenses and Permits		
except Dog Licenses	303 59	303 59
Dog Licenses	49 00	49 00
From Poll Taxes:		
From other taxes except		
property taxes	176 00	150 00
Income Trust Funds	433 60	250 00
Revenue Applicable only to New	Construct	ion and Im-
provements:		
From State:		
State Aid Highway Const.		485 00
Amount Raised by Issue of		100 00
Bonds or Notes:		
Notes in Anticipation of taxes	1.500 00	2,500 00
Amt raised by Prop. Taxes		5,541 44
Total Revenues	\$9,478 38	\$10,935 93

Purposes of Expenditures	Expe Prev Ye	end.	_	d.
Current Maintenance Expenses: General Government:				
Town Reports and Trans				
of Deeds \$	37	85	\$ 37	85
Town Officers' Salaries	306	75	300	00
Town Officers' Expenses	157	02	300	00
Election and Registra. Exp.	80	00	15	00
Preamble Town Lines—				
Haverhill & Benton	47	42		
Care and Supplies, Town Hall	8	84		
Protection of Persons and Propert	y:			
Bounties	•	80	150	00
Care of Tramps	1	90		
Fighting Forest Fires	31	20	31	20
Blister Rust		69	100	
Health Department	_	00	_	00
Vital Statistics	5	00	5	00
Highways and Bridges:				
State Aid Maintenance:	000	~-	<b>700</b>	00
State's Contribution Town's Contribution	293 572		500 235	
Trunk Line Maintenance:	572	00	250	UU
Town's Contribution	335	40	300	00
Town Maintenance	960		700	
Gravel 1929—Construction		60		
Libraries	12	00	12	00
Memorial Day		00	19	00
Cemeteries		00	79	•
Interest — On Temporary Loans	-	76	50	
Interest — On Long Term Notes	75	00	75	00

Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:

Highways	and	Bridges:	
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Total Expenditures

New Bridges and Culverts	269 68		
Re-railing	406 72		
Water Boxes	9 00	3	00
Indebtedness:			
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
Temporary Loans	1,500 00	2,500	00
Payments to Other Governmental	Divisions:		
Payments to Other Governmental State Taxes	Divisions: 499 20	499	20

### INVENTORY

\$7,862 93 \$7,391 59

#### Town of Benton

Lands and Buildings	\$155,304	00
Electric Plants, Poles, Wires and Fixtures	17,625	00
Horses, 40	4,625	00
Oxen, 2	200	00
Cows, 103	10,715	00
Other Neat Stock, 69	4,220	00
Fowls, 79	79	00
Wood and Lumber, etc.	6,324	00
Gasoline Pumps, 1	250	00
Total	\$199,342	00

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

### Financial Report of the Town of Benton for the fiscal year ending January 31, 1931

ASSETS		
Cash on hand:	\$2,395	04
Due from State:	, ,	
Bounties	71	20
Forest Fires account	15	60
Taxes not collected:		
Levy of 1928	6	02
Levy of 1929	18	11
Levy of 1930	811	54
Total Assets	\$3,317	51
Net Debt, Jan. 31, 1930	767	59
Surplus, Jan. 31, 1931	801	38
Decrease of debt	1,568	97
LIABILITIES		
Accounts owed by the Town:		
Due to School Districts:		
Dog licenses	\$49	
Balance of appropriation	470	
Forest Reserve	279	47
Trust Funds	216	80
Long Term Notes Outstanding:		
Bridge on Benton Flats	1,500	00
Total Liabilities	\$2,516	13
Excess of assets over liabilities (Surplus)	801	
Grand Total	\$3,317	51
RECEIPTS		
From Local Taxes:		
Committed to collector, 1930 \$5,541 44		
Less uncollected, 1930 759 54		
Property taxes collected	4,781	90

Poll taxes collected @ \$2.00 Property & poll taxes, previous		176	00
years actually collected		271	85
From State:			
State Aid maintenance		293	75
Interest and dividend tax		19	57
Railroad tax		48	67
Savings bank tax		51	21
Abatement State tax		413	01
Bounties		89	60
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:			
Dog licenses		49	00
Income from trust funds		433	60
Registration of motor vehicles, 1931		172	76
Registration of motor vehicles, 1931		130	83
National forest reserve		558	94
Total Current Revenue Receipts Receipts Other than Current Revenue:	\$7	,490	69
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes			
during year	1	,500	00
Total Receipts from All Sources		,990	
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1930	1	,267	28
Grand Total	\$10	,257	97
Grand Total PAYMENTS	\$10	,257	97
	\$10	,257	97
PAYMENTS	\$10	,257	97
PAYMENTS Current Maintenance Expenses:	\$10 \$	,257 306	
PAYMENTS Current Maintenance Expenses: General Government:			75
PAYMENTS Current Maintenance Expenses: General Government: Town Officers' salaries Town Officers' expenses Election and registration expenses	\$	306 157	75
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Bounties	73	80
Health: Health department	5	00
Vital statistics	_	00
Highways and Bridges:	0	
State Aid maintenance	865	75
Trunk Line maintenance	335	
Town maintenance	960	
Watering troughs	9	00
Libraries	12	00
Memorial Day exercises	19	00
Cemeteries	79	00
Town Reports and Deeds Transfers	37	85
Total Current Maintenance Expenses	\$3,134	63
Interest:		
Paid on temporary loans in		
anticipation of taxes 27 76		
Paid on long term notes 75 00		
Total Interest Payments ———	102	76
Outlay for New Construction and Permanen	t Impro	ve-
ments:	P	
Bridges and Culverts 269 68		
Re-railing Spec. Appri, \$500. 406 72		
Gravel part of \$400 year 1929 24 60		
Total Outlay Payments ———	701	00
Indebtedness:		
Payments on temporary loans in anti-		
cipation of taxes	1,500	00
*		00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions	3:	
Taxes paid to State 499 20		
Taxes paid to County 475 34		
Payments to School Districts 1,450 00		
Total Payments to Other		
Governmental Divisions	2,424	54

Total Payments for all Purposes			
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1931       \$2,395 04         Grand Total       \$10,257 97         SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY         Town Hall, Lands and Buildings       \$2,000 00         Furniture and Equipment       200 00         Libraries, Lands and Buildings       200 00         Furniture and Equipment       50 00         Highway Equipment       350 00         Highway Materials, 73 lbs. of spikes left from re-railing       4 56         Schools, Lands, Buildings and Equipment       1,800 00         Total       \$4,604 56         TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES         W. J. Yeaton, Selectman       43 75         Herman Morrill, Selectman       38 50         I. E. Elliott, Auditor       3 50         W. W. Eastman, Clerk       60 75         F. J. Hutchins, Collector       55 25         N. Burke, Constable       3 50         John Cox, Treasurer       36 75         Total       \$306 75         TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES         W. J. Yeaton, Selectman       44 00         John Boutin, Selectman       44 00	Total Payments for all Purposes	\$7.862	93
SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY	-		
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings \$2,000 00 Furniture and Equipment 200 00 Libraries, Lands and Buildings 200 00 Furniture and Equipment 50 00 Highway Equipment 350 00 Highway Materials, 73 lbs. of spikes left from re-railing 4 56 Schools, Lands, Buildings and Equipment 1,800 00  Total \$4,604 56  TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES  W. J. Yeaton, Selectman 43 75 Herman Morrill, Selectman 38 50 I. E. Elliott, Auditor 3 50 W. W. Eastman, Clerk 60 75 F. J. Hutchins, Collector 55 25 N. Burke, Constable 3 50 John Cox, Treasurer 36 75  TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES  W. J. Yeaton, Selectman \$73 80 John Boutin, Selectman 44 00	Grand Total	\$10,257	97
Furniture and Equipment       200 00         Libraries, Lands and Buildings       200 00         Furniture and Equipment       50 00         Highway Equipment       350 00         Highway Materials, 73 lbs. of spikes left from re-railing       4 56         Schools, Lands, Buildings and Equipment       1,800 00         Total       \$4,604 56         TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES         W. J. Yeaton, Selectman       43 75         John Boutin, Selectman       38 50         I. E. Elliott, Auditor       3 50         W. W. Eastman, Clerk       60 75         F. J. Hutchins, Collector       55 25         N. Burke, Constable       3 50         John Cox, Treasurer       36 75         Total       \$306 75         TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES         W. J. Yeaton, Selectman       \$73 80         John Boutin, Selectman       44 00	SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPER	RTY	
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F. J. Hutchins, Collector N. Burke, Constable John Cox, Treasurer  Total  TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES  W. J. Yeaton, Selectman John Boutin, Selectman 44 00		60	75
John Cox, Treasurer 36 75  Total \$306 75  TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES  W. J. Yeaton, Selectman \$73 80 John Boutin, Selectman 44 00		55	25
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W. J. Yeaton, Selectman \$73 80 John Boutin, Selectman 44 00	Total	\$306	75
John Boutin, Selectman 44 00	TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES		
John Boutin, Selectman 44 00	W. J. Veaton Selectman	\$73	80
	Herman Morrill Selectman		

W. W. Eastman, Clerk			25	62
F. J. Hutchins, Collector				00
r. g. Hutchins, Conector				
Total		, (	\$157	02
ELECTION AND REG	HSTRA	TION		
Herman Morrill, Ballot Clerk			\$3	00
H. H. Elliott, Supervisor			16	
F. J. Hutchins, Supervisor			18	
N. Burke, Ballot Clerk		,	3	00
A. U. Mardin, Ballot Clerk			3	50
Lee Collins, Ballot Clerk			3	00
Joseph Boutin, Jr., Ballot Clerk				00
John Cox, Ballot Clerk			9	00
Victor Brooks, Supervisor			18	00
		_		
Total			\$80	00
TREASURER'S F	REPOR'	T		
			@0/71	05
From 1929 taxes			\$271	
From 1930 taxes From Bank Loans			4,957	
From Bank Loans From the State:			1,500	00
	രവാ	75		
State Aid Maintenance Abatement of State Tax	\$293 413			
Railroad Tax		67		
Savings Bank Tax		21		
Int. and Dividend Tax		57		
Bounties repaid	89	60		
Total from State			\$915	81
From National Forest Reserve			558	
From local sources other than	taxes		786	
Balance in Treasury Feb. 1, 193	0		1,267	28

Total from all	sources	\$10,257	97
Selectmen's orders	paid	7,862	93

Balance in Treasury, Feb. 1, 1931 2,395 04

Of the balance in Treasury \$1016.13 is due the School District. Debt of Town is \$1500.00, note held by Woodsville Guaranty Savings Bank.

JOHN E. COX, Treasurer.

#### ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

#### Alfred U. Mardin, Road Agent

	mined O. Mardin, Road rigent		
Feb	ruary — Snow removal	\$56	00
Mar	cch — Snow removal	14	49
Mar	cch — Repairs to road machine	3	30
	Month of April:		
5	A. U. Mardin, 3 hrs.	1	17
	A. U. Mardin and team, ½ day	3	50
5	E. A. Mardin, ½ day	1	75
7	E. A. Mardin, 4 hours	- 1	56
11	A. U. Mardin, 6 hrs.	2	34
11	F. J. Hutchins, 1 day	3	50
12	A. U. Mardin, 3 hrs.	1	17
12	E. A. Mardin, 3 hrs.	1	17
14	A. U. Mardin and team, 6 hrs.	4	68
14	R. Dexter and team, 6 hrs.	4	68
14	C. C. Hill, 6 hrs.	2	34
21	A. U. Mardin, 3 hrs.	1	17
21	C. C. Hill, 3 hrs.	1	17
23	A. U. Mardin, auto to Plymouth	8	50
24	A. U. Mardin, 2 hrs.		78
24	C. C. Hill, 2 hrs.		78
28	A. U. Mardin and team, 1 day	7	00
28	R. Dexter and team, ½ day	3	50
29	R. Dexter and team, 8 hours	6	24
29	A. U. Mardin and team, 8 hrs.	6	24
29	Howard Tyler, 1 day	3	50

30	A. U. Mardin and team, ½ day	3	50
30	R. Dexter and team, ½ day	3	50
30	Howard Tyler, ½ day	1	75
	Month of May:		
7	A. U. Mardin and truck, 10½ hours	11	66
	R. Dexter, 10½ hrs.	4	08
8	A. U. Mardin and team, 1 day	7	00
	R. Dexter and team, 1 day	7	00
9	A. U. Mardin and team, 1 day	7	00
	R. Dexter and team, 1 day.		00
	& 9 C. C. Hill, 2 days & 2 hrs.	7	78
8 8	k 9 Lester Noxon, 2 days	7	00
28	A. U. Mardin and truck, ½ day	5	00
	Harry Rines, ½ day	1	75
29	A. U. Mardin and truck, ½ day	5	00
	Harry Rines, ½ day from him	1	75
	Month of June:		
5	A .U. Mardin and truck, ½ day		00
	R. Dexter, ½ day	1	75
6	A. U. Mardin and truck, ½ day		00
	R. Dexter, ½ day		75
7 t	to 17 A. U. Mardin and truck, 5½ days		00
	R. Dexter, 5½ days		25
18 t	o 30 A. U. Mardin and team, 5 days		00
	R. Dexter and team, $4\frac{1}{2}$ days		50
	John Cox, horses		25
	Harry Rines, 6 days	21	
	F. J. Hutchins, 1 day		50
	E. A. Mardin, 1 day	3	50
	C. C. Hill, 2 hrs.		78
	Repairs to road machine		50
	A. U. Mardin and truck, 4 days	40	
	R. Dexter, 4 days	14	00
	Month of August:		
14 t	o 23 A. U. Mardin and C. C. Hill,		
	cutting brush		25
	A. U. Mardin and truck, 5 days and 2 hrs.	52	
	C. C. Hill, 5 days and 2 hrs.	18	28

R. Dexter, 4 days	14	00
Harry Rines, 4 days	14	00
Month of September:		
1 and 6 A. U. Mardin and truck, 4½ days	45	00
E. A. Mardin and team	8	75
C. C. Hill, 5 days	··· 17	50
Harry Rines, 4 days	14	00
R. Dexter, 4 days	14	00
Month of October:		
1 to 4 A.U. Mardin and truck, 2 days	20	00
A. U. Mardin, 2 days	7	00
133 loads gravel	19	95
Tree, Mrs. Dexter	1	00
3 posts, bolts and road signs	3	50
Month of November:		
3 A. U. Mardin and truck, ½ day	5	00
Lester Noxon, ½ day	- 1	75
E. A. Mardin, ½ day	1	75
Month of January:		
6 & 7 R. Tewksbury and team, 1 day		
Snow removal	-	00
John Cox, horses, 2 days, snow removal		00
C. C. Hill, 2 days, snow removal	7	00
I. E. Elliott and team, $1\frac{1}{2}$ days		
Snow removal	10	50
A. U. Mardin and team, 2 days		
Snow removal	14	00
John Boutin and team, ½ day		
Snow removal	3	50
20 to 24 A. U. Mardin and team, 4 days		
Snow removal	28	
John Cox, horses	10	
I. E. Elliott and team, 4 days	28	
F. J. Hutchins and team, ½ day		50
F. J. Rollins, 3 days	10	90
Total	\$876	53

Ernest T. Page, Road Agent		
May 24 Joe Prue road in 1929	\$31	
Dec. 30 Expended on highways, 1930	51	60
		48
New Bridge & Culvert Construction on Town I	lighwa	ays
Expended by Alfred U. Mardin		
May 3 A. U. Mardin and truck, 1 day		50
R. Tewksbury, 1 day		50
R. Dexter, 1 day	3	50
May 21 to 26	0.0	0.0
A. U. Mardin and trucks, 3 days		00
A. U. Mardin, 1 day		50
R. Dexter, 4 days		00
Harry Rines, 4 days		00
F. J. Hutchins, 3 days		50
15 loads gravel		25
R. Dexter, logs		50
June 1 A. U. Mardin and truck, 1 day		00
Harry Rines, 1 day		50
R. Dexter, 1 day		50
Bernard Cox, 1 day		50
June 7 A. U. Mardin and truck		00
Harry Rines, 1 day		50
R. Dexter, 1 day	3	50
June 20 to 23		
A. U. Mardin and truck, 1 day		00
A. U. Mardin, plank		88
R. Dexter, 1 day	_	50
Harry Rines, 1 day		50
F. J. Hutchins, 2 days		00
Roland McKean, 1½ days	5	25
August 13 and 14		
A. U. Mardin and truck, 2 days		00
R. Dexter and team, 1 day		00
R. Dexter, 1 day	_	50
Harry Rines, 2 days		00
C. C. Hill, 2 days	7	00

Plank	16	80
August 28 A. U. Mardin, 1 day		50
Harry Rines, 1 day		50
September 8 A. U. Mardin and truck, 1 day	10	
Harry Rines, 1 day	. 3	50
C. C. Hill, 1 day	3	50
R. Dexter, 1 day	3	50
Logs	10	00
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Total	\$269	68
\$500.00 — Special Appropriation for Re-r	ailing	
John Boutin, 125 posts	\$43	
Napoleon Boutin, 4 days labor	14	
Floyd Hutchins, 4½ days labor	15	75
John Boutin, truck to Woodsville for plank	10	00
John Boutin, 3½ days labor	12	25
Lester Noxon, 10½ days labor	. 36	75
Joseph Boutin Sr., 30 posts	10	50
Floyd Rollins, 3½ days labor	12	25
Edw. McKensie, plank for rail	49	00
C. C. Hill, 9 days	31	50
Lester Noxon, $5\frac{1}{2}$ days	19	00
C. C. Hill, 5½ days labor	19	00
C. C. Hill, 1 paint brush	1	00
Herman Morrill, 3 days labor	10	50
Harry Rines, 17 posts	2	89
N. H. Highway Dept., paint for railing	27	72
Walter Burbeck & Son, plank	77	96
W. J. Yeaton, truck to Franconia for plank	9	00
W. J. Yeaton, truck distributing plank	3	90
Total –	\$406	72

#### TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

 Report of Dog License issued in 1930:
 \$15 00

 3 Females
 \$15 00

 14 Males
 34 00

 Total
 \$49 00

WILLIAM W. EASTMAN, Town Clerk.

#### LIBRARY REPORT

Books in Library
Books in Circulation
200
125

#### FINANCIAL REPORT, TOWN LIBRARY

Cash on hand
Due from Town, amount raised in years
1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930, \$3.00 per year

15 00

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WILLIAM W. EASTMAN, Librarian.

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF BENTON, ON JANUARY 31, 1931

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The total income from Trust Funds for the year 1930 was \$521.54 of which \$433.60 was turned over to Town Treasurer for proper distribution to Highways, Schools and care of Lots. The balance of \$87.94 is made up of interest due on bank books not drawn, now in Lisbon Savings Bank. JOHN E. COX, Treasurer of Trust Funds of Benton.

#### AUDITOR'S REPORT

I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Clerk, Treasurer and Tax Collector and find them correctly cast and properly vouched and there remains in the hands of the Treasurer Feb. 1, 1931, \$2,395.04.

NAPOLEON BURKE, Auditor.

#### REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Benton:

I herewith present my first annual report as superintendent of schools.

During the year 1929-1930 the total enrollment was 23; the per cent of attendance, 91.26; pupils not absent nor tardy, 1; cases of tardiness, 4; school visits by board members, 2; by superintendent, 16; by citizens, 51. In addition to those in the town school the district paid tuition for 1 high school and 8 elementary pupils attending school in other towns.

The pupil on the roll for perfect attendance was Roger Carr; those promoted from the eighth grade to high school, Roland McKean and Clifton Tewksbury.

This year the enrollment has been 20. The teacher is Mrs. Ruby C. Beecher. I think the work is progressing well. There are, however, two improvements to the building which would add to the comfort and welfare of the children. These are storm windows for the north west side and more sanitary toilets connected with the school house itself.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. JANES.

#### SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1931-1932

School District of Benton, N. H.

School Board's statement of amounts required to support Public Schools and meet other statutory obligations of the District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1931.

### Detailed Statement of Expenditures

Support of Schools				
Teachers' salaries	\$950	00		
Text books	25	00		
Scholars' supplies	20	00		
Flags and appurtenances	4	00		
Other expenses of instruction	6	00		
Janitor service	36	00		
Fuel	40	00		
Water, light, janitor's supplies	10	00		
Minor repairs and expenses	25	00		
Health supervision (medical insp	.) 28	00		
Transportation of pupils	216	00		
Payment of elementary tuitions	360	00		
-			\$1,720	00
Other Statutory Requirements				
Salaries of district officers	33	00		
School census	6	00		
Payment of tuitions in high				
schools and academies	192	00		
Superintendent's excess salary	63	00		
Per capita tax	60	00		
_			\$354	00

#### **Estimated Income of District**

\$2,074 00

Balan	ce Ju	ne 30,	1931	(estimate)	\$250	00
State	Aid	(Dec.	1931	allotment)	250	00

Total amount required to meet

School Board's budget

Dog tax (estimate)	36 00		
Income from trust funds (estimate)	93 00		
Elementary school tuition receipts			
(estimate)	72 00		
Other estimated income	217 58		
		\$918	58
Assessment required to balance	_		
School Board's budget		\$1,155	42
Special appropriations proposed (An	rticles in	Warran	nt)
Deficiency appropriation		\$400	00
Total assessment required to cover			
Budget and Appropriations		\$1,555	42
IRA E. ELLIOT	TT,		
EDITH J. YEA'	TON,		
IONE A. COX,			
	Sch	ool Boa	rd

### FINANCIAL REPORT

Benton, N. H., February 4, 1931.

Financial report of the Town of Benton School District for the last fiscal year, ending June 30, 1930.

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Cash on hand, June 30, 1929	\$498	37	
Elementary school tuitions	24	00	
From taxation	1,150	00	
From the state	253	85	
			\$1,926 22
PAYMENTS			
Salaries of district officers	\$28	00	
Superintendent's excess salary	70	00	
Expense of administration	4	00	
Teacher's salaries	906	68	
Text books	35	12	
Scholars supplies	23	48	
Flag and appurtenances	2	88	
Other expenses of instruction	4	00	
Janitor's service	36	00	

Fuel	80	62	
Janitor's supplies		40	
Minor repairs and expenses	16	00	
Health supervision	22	50	
Transportation of pupils	216	00	
High school tuition	96	00	
Elementary school tuition	283	00	
Per capita tax	50	00	
			\$1,876 68
Cash on hand June 30, 1930			49 54
		_	
Grand Total	4		\$1,926 22

MARGARET E. ELLIOTT, Treasurer.

#### BENTON MARRIAGE RECORD

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1930

Carl G. Eastman of Benton, 30, and Catherine C. Dexter of Benton, 27, by Rev. B. F. McIntire of Haverhill on March 29, 1930. The groom's parents, Wylie I. Eastman and Lulu M. Collins. The bride's parent, Steven H. Dexter. Groom plumber, bride housewife.

I certify that the above return is correct according the best of my knowledge and belief.

WILLIAM W. EASTMAN, Town Clerk.

#### BENTON DEATH RECORD

For the Year Ending December 31, 1930

Guy Richards, died Feb 28, at State Sanitarium, interred Rochester, N. H.

Jennie E. Hutchins, died June 4 at home in Benton, interred at Haverhill, N. H.

Ella H. Parker, died June 6 at Manchester, N. H., interred at Benton, N. H.

Walter Edward Kearney, died July 25 at West Roxbury, buried in Massachusetts.

Edward J. Shanchan, died July 26 at State Sanitarium, buried at Manchester, N. H.

John Alfred Hawkes, died Aug. 17 at State Sanitarium, buried at Concord, N. H.

Stella C. Dexter, died Oct. 27 at home in Benton, buried in Benton, N. H.

Clara E. Matt, died Dec. 1, at State Sanitarium, buried at East Rochester, N. H.

Thomas Bresnahan, died Dec. 10 at State Sanitarium, buried at Manchester, N. H.

I hereby certify that above returns of deaths is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WILLIAM W. EASTMAN, Town Clerk.



















