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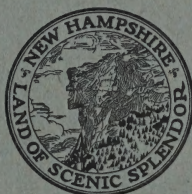


Annual Report  

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Town of Chatham  

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For the Fiscal Year Ending January 31st

1928





ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF CHATHAM

*For the Fiscal Year Ending January 31*

1928

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## LIST OF TOWN OFFICERS

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### Selectmen

HENRY R. HARVEY

WILLIS BRYANT

CARROLL C. PENLEY

### Treasurer

WELLINGTON P. CHANDLER

### Town Clerk

SUSIE W. CHARLES

### Tax Collector

MADISON O. CHARLES

### Highway Surveyor

EVERETT EASTMAN

### Supervisors of Check List

CHARLES CHANDLER

FRED F. CHARLES

ALBERT WILEY

### Constable

MADISON O. CHARLES

### Auditors

GEORGE H. ANDERSON

MARY A. ANDERSON



## TOWN WARRANT

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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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To the inhabitants of the Town of Chatham in the County of Carroll in said state qualified to vote in town affairs:

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You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Chatham on Tuesday the 13th day of March next at 9 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town officers for the ensuing year.

- (a) To choose a Moderator.
- (b) To choose a Town Clerk.
- (c) To choose a Road Agent.
- (d) To choose a Selectman for three years.
- (e) To choose a Town Treasurer.
- (f) To choose a Tax Collector.
- (g) To choose a Constable.
- (h) To choose two Auditors.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations for same.

3. To see if the town will accept state aid for highway maintenance and construction.

4. To see if the town will vote to raise \$567 for state road construction.

5. To see if the town will vote to raise \$525 for state aid maintenance.

6. To see what the town will vote to do if anything about winter ploughing of roads.

7. To see if the town will raise a sum for white pine blister.

8. To see if the town will co-operate with the town of Stow by raising a sum of money or offer other inducements to a doctor to settle in the community.

9. To transact whatever other business that may legally come before this meeting.

HENRY R. HARVEY

CARROLL C. PENLEY

Selectmen of Chatham

A True Copy of Warrant—Attest:

HENRY R. HARVEY

CARROLL C. PENLEY

Selectmen of Chatham

Given under our hands and seal this 8th day of February, 1928.

## BALANCE SHEET

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### ASSETS

Cash in hands of treasurer	10 90	
Due from state		
Joint highway accounts, unexpended		
balance in state treasury	17 23	
Bounties on wild animals	26 00	
Taxes uncollected	428 14	
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Total		\$482 27

### LIABILITIES

Accounts outstanding		
Unpaid orders	342 98	
State and town joint highway accounts		
Unexpended balance in state treasury	17 23	
Unexpended balance in town treasury	8 61	
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	368 82	
Excess of assets over liabilities	113 45	
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Total		\$482 27



## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

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Real estate resident valuation	\$124,520 00	
Personal resident valuation	14,258 00	
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Total		\$138,778 00
Residents exempt \$1,000		
Real estate non-resident	\$212,955 00	
Personal non-resident	6,830 00	
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Total		\$219,785 00

### PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXED RESIDENT

61 Horses	\$5,405 00	
135 Cows	6,420 00	
10 Oxen	1,225 00	
19 Neat	1,040 00	
28 Sheep	168 00	
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Total		\$14,258 00

### PERSONAL PROPERTY NON-RESIDENT

Portable mill	\$1,000 00	
Lumber	2,900 00	
Saw mill and machinery	2,500 00	
Three horses	100 00	
Eight cows	330 00	
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Total		\$6,830 00
Tax rate .017 per \$1.00		
Resident assessment less polls	\$2,359 22	
Non Resident assessment	3,736 34	
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Total		\$6,095 57

Poll taxes 93 at \$2.00	186 00	
Grand total		\$6,281 57

APPROPRIATIONS

State tax	\$665 70	
County tax	749 08	
Expense of town	2,500 00	
Total		\$3,914 78

SCHOOL APPROPRIATIONS

Per capita tax	\$ 86 00	
Academy tuition	300 00	
District officers' salary	75 00	
Excess salaries	75 00	
Special appropriations	377 50	
\$5 on \$1,000 equalized valuation	1,676 40	
	\$2,589 90	
Total		\$6,504 68
Total taxes committed to collector		\$6,281 57
Total appropriations		\$6,504 68

An error in valuation of non-resident property amounting to a tax assessment of \$223.11 caused a deficit sufficient to balance this account with the overlay.

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS

Susie Charles, town clerk and postage	15 00
Issuing auto permits and transfers	12 50
Recording and reporting vital statistics	3 00
Calvin T. Stiles, services as selectman 1926	20 00

M. O. Charles, collecting taxes	148 25
Henry Harvey, services as selectman	50 00
Willis Bryant, services as selectman	30 00
Carroll C. Penley, services as selectman	30 00
Wellington Chandler, treasurer	20 00

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\$328 75

MISCELLANEOUS ORDERS

B. C. Snyder, printing	\$38 50
Edson C. Eastman, books and blanks,	5 27
Seth Hanscom, watering trough	3 00
Willis Bryant, care of cannon	5 00
Willis Bryant, trip to Rochester and town revaluation	58 75
Henry R. Harvey, trip to Rochester and Sanbornville (1926) and town revaluation	47 20
Carroll C. Penley, trip to Rochester and revaluation	20 00
F. F. Charles, self and car revaluation	33 00

STATE ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Guy Crouse	\$ 4 00
Robert York	215 86
Daniel Barnum	107 89
Rodney Crouse	32 00
Will Stone	46 22
Fred Charles	75 11
Charles Lusky	46 22
Hermon Heald	52 00
Carroll Penley	97 21
Henry Harvey	173 72
Fred Garland	75 00
Fred Lusky	12 00



George Dyer	20 00
Frank Harriman	78 00
Kennett and Bosworth	25 00
Wendall Knox	4 90
George Anderson	52 50
Charles Keefe	42 00
Luville Emerson	133 00
Farrington and Webb	13 44
Edwin Johnson	34 00
Loren Eastman	3 20
Pearl Bemis	30 30
H. L. Hutchins	15 61
Bert Stiles	58 00
Lucien Stiles	34 00
Willis Bryant	23 00
Dean Charles	20 00

Total

\$1,524 18

ROBBIN'S HILL  
special state aid

Robert York	59 50
Henry Harvey	24 00
Fred Garland	28 00
Carroll Penley	32 00
Dean Charles	20 00
Fred Lusky	42 00
Frank Harriman	42 00
Hermon Heald	32 00
Luville Emerson	67 50
Bert Stiles	14 00
Lucien Stiles	4 00
Dean Charles	20 00

\$385 00

## UNIFORM CLASSIFICATION

### RECEIPTS

Property taxes committed to collector	\$6,091 57	
Less discounts and abatements, 1927	5,528 22	
Less uncollected, 1927,	5,100 08	
Taxes actually collected, property	\$5,667 43	
Polls	186 00	
Total taxes collected		\$5,853 43
Washout State Aid	34 22	
State aid construction	525 00	
State aid maintenance	466 50	
Savings Bank tax	25 58	
Interest on deposits	13 06	
Dog licenses	52 80	
Permits of motor registrations	281 23	
Uncollected taxes, 1926	382 36	
State aid, Robbin's Hill	418 34	
Bounties	31 80	
Total from all sources		\$8,084 32
Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1927		1,491 44
Grand total		\$9,575 76

### PAYMENTS

General Government:		
Town officers' salaries	\$358 75	
Town officers' expenses	172 07	
Bounties	26 00	
		\$556 82
Highways and Bridges:		
State aid maintenance	\$887 64	
Town maintenance	724 73	
		\$1,602 37

New Construction Highways and Bridges:

State aid construction	\$1,575 04	
Robbin's Hill, special	385 00	
Washout, special	541 43	
Outstanding orders paid	343 82	
	<hr/>	\$2,845 29

Payments to other governmental divisions:

State tax	\$ 665 70	
County tax	749 08	
Payments to school districts	3,140 60	
	<hr/>	\$4,555 38

Housing cannon	5 00	
Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1928.	10 90	
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Grand total \$9,575 76

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, land and buildings	\$1,600 00
Furniture and equipment	100 00
Highway department, equipment	350 00
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Feb. 8, 1928, total \$2,050 00

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

HENRY R. HARVEY

CARROLL C. PENLEY

Selectmen of Chatham

This is to certify that we have examined the books and financial records of the selectmen and treasurer and find them correct according to our knowledge and belief.

GEORGE H. ANDERSON

ANNE H. ANDERSON

Auditors.



## TREASURER'S REPORT

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DR.

Assessment for 1927	\$6,281 57	
Cash in treasury	1,491 94	
Due from Collector for 1926	382 36	
Automobile tax	281 23	
Dog tax	52 80	
Surplus tax for 1926	96 71	
Bear bounty	20 00	
Hedgehog bounty	11 80	
State aid for roads and bridges	1,317 63	
State aid for state road washout	34 22	
Savings bank tax	25 58	
Interest on deposits	13 06	
Abatement on state tax	236 44	
	<hr/>	\$10,245 34

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Paid by orders of selectmen	\$8,391 52	
Paid state tax	665 70	
Paid county tax	749 08	
Due from collector for 1927	428 14	
Cash in treasury	10 90	
	<hr/>	\$10,245 34

Respectfully submitted,

WELLINGTON P. CHANDLER,

Treasurer,

January 31, 1928.

# FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

For the Year Ending June 30, 1927

## RECEIPTS

Cash on hand June 30, 1926	\$ 138 13
Money from state	828 24
Half Forest Reserve	146 10
From town:	
\$5.00 tax	1,676 40
Academy tuition	300 00
Salary of district officers	75 00
Per capita tax	86 00
Excess salary	75 00
Chimney at North Chatham	100 00
For bills of 1925-'26	127 50
1926 appropriation	414 00
Borrowed money	361 40
Dog licenses	42 60
Tuition from Stow	70 00
Interest	4 06
Stove sold	7 50
	\$4,451 93

## EXPENDITURES

Salaries of District Officers	\$100 00
Superintendent's salary	132 50
School census	5 00
Expenses of Administration	5 07
Teachers' salaries	2,376 00
Text books	50 30
Scholars' supplies	45 32
Flags	7 36
Janitor service	108 00

Fuel	86 00	
Outstanding fuel bills	19 00	
Janitor's supplies	16 75	
Minor repairs	113 00	
Reference books	5 00	
Medical inspection	16 00	
Transportation of pupils	828 00	
Academy tuition	300 00	
Alteration of old buildings	148 71	
Per capita tax	86 00	
Balance after paying bills	3 92	
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		\$4,451 93
Cash in treasury June 30, 1927		\$22 92

NOTE:

The balance reported as of June 30, 1926 was \$552.13. This included \$414.00 due but not actually paid to the school treasurer at that date. In order that our accounts shall conform to the regulations of the state tax commission, we are reporting a balance of \$138.13 instead of \$552.13 and have added \$414 00 to the receipts of the year beginning July 1, 1926. This explains the discrepancy.

SUSIE W. CHARLES  
ALBERT L. WILEY  
SARA PITMAN

School Board of Chatham

This is to certify that I have examined the books of the school board and of the school treasurer and find them correct with a balance of \$22.92.

GEORGIA P. CHANDLER,  
Auditor.



## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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TO THE SCHOOL BOARD AND CITIZENS:

Your estimate of revenue for the current year is \$4,913.19, while the estimated expenditures amount to \$5,146.80 making a deficit of \$233.00. However, in the year 1925-26 a credit accrued to the district for approved expenditures in excess of state aid furnished and this amount of \$290.22 will enable you to close the year with no or a small deficit. The cost of transportation having increased during the school year may create a small deficit.

Last year's report stated that the town owed the state \$571.76. The state, of course, deducted this from last year's equalization payment. This so reduced the state aid received last year that you had a substantial deficit which should have been made up by a deficiency appropriation. This, however, was not done and the board borrowed from the selectmen \$361.40 of this year's money. We did not know at that time that we should receive the additional allotment of \$290.22. If at the time of the district meeting it should be apparent that any deficit is likely this year the amount should be appropriated as a deficiency appropriation. At this date we do not know the amount of state aid to be paid next year, but at the time of the district meeting this information will be at hand.

If this sum added to the \$5 tax is less than the board's estimate for operation, the difference should be voted in addition to the \$5 tax.

Your schools are in excellent condition with able and progressive teachers in all of them. The standard of achievement is high and the general health of the pupils much above the average. There are some, however, who should receive dental treatment.

Respectfully submitted,

January 23, 1928.

JOHN H. FULLER.

TABLE I  
TEACHERS AND SCHOOLS, 1927-28

	Pupils
North—Lucretia Chandler	10
Eastman—Alice Charles	19
Green Hill—Flossie Thurston	18
	47

TABLE II  
STATISTICS, 1926-27  
Percent attend. Pupils Tardy Supt's visits

	Percent attend.	Pupils	Tardy	Supt's visits
North	95.4	12	51	7
Eastman	95.3	16	3	9
Green Hill	92	14	5	11

TABLE III  
MEDICAL INSPECTION

	Cases
Defect	
Defective vision	4
Defective teeth	23
Tonsils	4
Unvaccinated	15

### ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

ORDERS DRAWN FOR TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE

Farrington and Webb, 3000 feet bridge plank	
1540 feet bridge stringers	\$102 48
Perley Head, housing roller	6 00
Everett Eastman, self and horses, 44 hours	34 22
Charles Lusky, 29 hours	11 28
Simeon Charles, 18 hours	7 00
Freddie Lusky, 13 hours	5 06
Everett Eastman, dragging and carting, 31 hours	26 56

Daniel Barnum, 9 hours	3 50
Farrington and Webb, pole for roller	1 40
Lester Parker, 19 hours	7 39
Robert York, self 89 hours, horses 57 hours	56 77
Everett Eastman, self and horses, 91 hours, self leveling 15 hours	76 61
Dean Charles, 18 hours	7 00
L. H. Eastman, 110 hours	42 77
Will Stone, 48 hours	18 67
Richard Chandler, 41 hours	15 94
Millard Chandler, self 49 hours, team 27 hours	29 56
Simeon Charles, 34 hours	13 22
Don Chandler, 26 hours	10 11
W. P. Chandler, self and horses, 18 hours	14 00
Rodney Crouse, 27 hours	10 50
Robert York, self 57 hours, team 30 hours	33 84
H. L. Hutchins, dynamite and fuse	2 78
Carroll Penley, 27 hours	10 50
Bert Stiles, 18 hours	7 00
Robert York, self and horses, 9 hours	7 00
Vance Meader, 17 hours	6 61
Edwin Johnson, 19 hours	7 39
Everett Eastman and two horses, 51 hours; dragging with three horses, 9 hours	47 67
Norman Melbye, 29 hours	11 28
Everett Eastman, bolts, lock washers and freight on road machine parts	6 23
H. L. Hutchins, 5½ gallons linseed oil, brush and can	8 87
Dana Farrington, 700 feet bridge stringers	7 00
George Hill, self and horses, 9 hours	7 00
Olin Hanscom, oiling two rollers	3 50
L. H. Eastman, making pole for South Chat- ham roller	4 00



Bert Stiles, housing road machine	2 00
Herbert Andrews, 5 hours	1 94
Loren Andrews, 5 hours	1 94
Everett Eastman, self and horses, 22 hours	17 11
Austin Road Machine Co., goose neck for road machine	31 03
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	\$724 73

EVERETT EASTMAN,  
Road Commissioner.

ORDERS DRAWN FOR STATE AID MAINTENANCE

Charles Lusky, self and horses, 3 hours	\$ 2 33
Olin Hanseom, 27 hours	10 50
Charles Lusky, 27 hours	10 50
Alvin Head, 41 hours	15 94
Perley Head, dragging, with 4 horses, 55 hours	42 78
Guy Crouse, frt. on grader knife, drag blades and rail point	5 94
Everett Eastman, dragging with 3 horses, 126 hours	98 00
Robert York, self and horses, 9 hours	7 00
Robert York, self 45 hours, horses 27 hours	28 00
Will Stone, 44 hours	17 11
Millard Chandler, 13 hours	5 06
Richard Chandler, 31 hours	12 06
Robert York, 9 hours	3 50
Rodney Crouse, 9 hours	3 50
Everett Eastman, self and 3 horses, 48 hours self and 2 horses, 36 hours	70 67
Robert York, 18 hours	7 00
Alvin Head, 55 hours	21 39
Perley Head, self and horses, dragging 51 hours, carting 3 hours	61 83

Norman Melbye, 21 hours	8 17
Simeon Charles, 44 hours	17 11
Herbert Andrews, 18 hours	7 00
Angus Andrews, 31 hours	12 05
Freddie Lusky, 34 hours	13 22
Loren Andrews, 44 hours	17 11
Don Chandler, 63 hours	24 50
Richard Chandler, 45 hours	17 50
Guy M. Crouse, cartage on culvert	1 00
Everett Eastman, self and horses, dragging 41 hours, on machine 45 hours, mowing bushes 62 hours	95 55
Robert York, self and horses 45 hours, self 18 hours	42 00
C. E. Seavey, 3 bags cement	2 25
L. H. Eastman, lumber, bolts, making drags, blacksmith work on grader	34 00
Simeon Charles, 33 hours	12 83
Robert York, 9 hours	3 50
Everett Eastman, self and horses dragging, 32 hours, raking rocks 9 hours, plowing ditch 9 hours	38 94
Bert Stiles, 6 hours	2 33
Lucien Stiles, 6 hours	2 33
Simeon Charles, 36 hours	14 00
Alvin Head, 23 hours	8 94
Perley Head, self and horses dragging 18 hours, carting 5 hours	24 98
Fred Garland, 9 hours	3 50
Robert York, self and horses, 9 hours	7 00
George Dyer, 9 hours	3 50
Simeon Charles, 9 hours	3 50
Dean Charles, 9 hours	3 50
Everett Eastman, self and 3 horses on machine	

and dragging, 36 hours	28 00
Olin Hancsom, self and horses, 8 hours	6 22
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	\$877 64

EVERETT EASTMAN,  
Road Commissioner.

BREAKING SNOW DEC. 1927 AND JAN. 1928

Bert Stiles, 3 trips on roller	\$21 00
Perley Head, 3 trips on roller with 4 horses	42 00
Everett Eastman, 4 trips on roller with 3 horses	42 00
Fred Meader, 4 trips on roller with 3 horses	42 00
Fred Lusky, 3 trips on roller	21 00
Millard Chandler, 3 trips on roller and 3 hours shoveling	22 17
Charles Chandler, 3 trips on roller	21 00
Albert Charles, 3 hours shoveling	1 17
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	\$212 34

EVERETT EASTMAN,  
Road Commissioner.

ORDERS DRAWN FOR TOWN ROAD WASHOUT

George Dyer, 36 hours	\$14 00
Rodney Crouse, 113 hours	43 94
Will Stone, self and horses, 72 hours, self 9 hours	59 50
Simeon Charles, 104 hours	40 44
Albert Charles, 104 hours	40 44
Charles Chandler, self and horses 5 hours, horses 63 hours	28 39
Dean Charles, 77 hours	29 94
Richard Chandler, self and horses, trip to South Chatham and new rope for derrick	16 00

Richard Chandler, 68 hours	26 44
Everett Eastman, self and horses, 68 hours, self 26 hours	63 00
Millard Chandler, self 73 hours, team 60 hours, bridge stringers and poles for railing	59 72
Don Chandler, 72 hours	28 00
Wellington Chandler, self and horses 76 hours, self 9 hours	62 61
M. O. Charles, rocks for bridge and washout	15 00
Richard Chandler, 9 hours	3 50
Roger Emerson, 9 hours	3 50
Carroll C. Penley, 9 hours	3 50
Henry R. Harvey, 9 hours	3 50
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	\$541 42

EVERETT EASTMAN,  
Road Commissioner.

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## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

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Received for 55 automobile permits and transfers		\$281 23
Received for dog tax	\$57 00	
Reserved for fees	4 20	
Balance	<hr/>	\$52 80
Amount paid treasurer		<hr/> \$334 03

SUSIE W. CHARLES,  
Clerk.



## VITAL STATISTICS

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### BIRTHS

1927

February 16, Anita, 2nd child of Dean Charles and Evangline Dyer. Birthplace of father, Chatham; birthplace of mother, Vinalhaven, Maine.

July 30, Carl, 7th child of James A. Eastman and Gertrude Pickering. Birthplace of father, Bartlett; birthplace of mother, Chatham.

July 30, Carroll, 8th child of James A. Eastman and Gertrude Pickering. Birthplace of father, Bartlett; birthplace of mother, Chatham.

August 10, Everett Herbert, 1st child of Everett Eastman and Carrie Charles. Birthplace of father, Chatham; birthplace of mother, Chatham.

August 12, Margery Frances, 6th child of Perley R. Head and Amy Hill. Birthplace of father, Freedom; birthplace of mother, Conway.

August 13, Harold Earl, 6 child of Robert E. York and Minnie E. Ballard. Birthplace of father, Albany, Maine; birthplace of mother, Peabody, Mass.

November 29, Lillian Louise, 4th child of Lawrence Bean and Hattie Irish. Birthplace of father, Waterford, Maine, birthplace of mother, Chatham.

December 2, Joseph Wyman, 4th child of Roger Emerson and Berince Bishop. Birthplace of father, Chatham; birthplace of mother, Conway.

December 25, Mina Pearl, 1st child of Edwin Johnson and Marion Edgecomb. Birthplace of father, Chatham; birthplace of mother, Naples, Maine.

Not reported in former years

Fred Malcom Eastman and James Melvin Eastman.

## MARRIAGES

1927

January 10, at Conway, by Rev. Percy Clifford, Thomas Smith of Stow, Maine, age 27, born in Albany, and Doris Harvey of Chatham, age 18, born in Rumney.

May 17, at Conway, by Rev. Percy Clifford, Edwin H. Johnson of Chatham, age 52, born in Chatham, and Marion Edgecomb of Stow, age 23, born in Naples, Maine.

October 29, at Lincoln, Maine, by Rev. J. Rossnogel, Forrest M. Hill of Chatham, age 51, born in Chatham, and Inez I. Sullivan of Chatham, age 45, born in Springfield, Maine.

## DEATHS

1927

June 26, Henry H. Stiles, age 72 years, 8 months, 16 days, born in Chatham. Name of father, John Stiles; name of mother, Dolly Heath.

September 16, Carroll Eastman, age 1 month and 17 days, born in Chatham. Name of father, James Eastman; name of mother, Gertrude Pickering.

December 31, Mina P. Johnson, age 7 days, born in Chatham. Name of father, Edwin Johnson, name of mother, Marion Edgecomb.

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I certify that the foregoing is a true transcript of the record of all births, marriages and deaths reported to me for the year ending December 31, 1927.

SUSIE W. CHARLES,  
Clerk.













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