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REPORT OF SELECTMEN

For Year Ending January 31, 1924

VALUATION OF THE TOWN OF NELSON, APRIL 1, 1923

Land and buildings,	\$312,185 00
Horses, 49,	4,310 00
Oxen, 4,	400 00
Mules, 2,	50 00
Cows, 70,	3,405 00
Neat stock, 7,	199 00
Sheep, 32,	221 00
Fowls, 435,	448 00
Boats, 13,	270 00
Wood and lumber,	115 00
Money on hand or at interest,	1,898 00
Stock in trade,	2,800 00
Mills and machinery,	4,000 00

Total exclusive of soldiers' exemptions, \$330,301 00

Polls, 12 at \$3.00.

Polls, 108 at \$5.00.

Total poll tax, \$576.00.

Amount of taxes committed to collector,
including poll taxes, \$7,641 56

Average rate per cent of taxation, \$2.14.

Amount exempted to soldiers, \$3,000 00

AMOUNT REQUIRED TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION
APRIL 1, 1923

State tax,	\$575 00
County tax,	514 39
Town charges,	600 00
Highways and bridges,	1,500 00
Breaking roads,	200 00
Note,	800 00
Trunk line construction,	500 00
State road maintenance,	300 00
Library,	25 00
Memorial Day,	25 00
Old Home Day,	50 00
Care of cemetery,	15 00
Schools,	2,000 00

FINANCIAL REPORT
OF THE TOWN OF NELSON
IN CHESHIRE COUNTY
For the Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1924

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.

February 16, 1924.

WILMER C. TOLMAN,
ALBERT GEORGINA,
FRANK E. UPTON,
Selectmen.

MILLARD F. HARDY,
Treasurer.

ASSETS

Cash:

In hands of treasurer,	\$2,550 08
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Accounts due to the town:

Due from state:

(b) State aid construction,	87
(c) State aid maintenance,	149 29

Other bills due town:

(a) Demerit and Fisher, for bridge construction,	151 10
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Taxes not collected: (a) Levy of 1923,	549 56
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Total assets,	\$3,400 90
Excess of liabilities over assets,	1,758 00
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Grand total,	\$5,158 90

LIABILITIES

Accounts owed by the town:	
Due to school districts:	
(a) Dog licenses,	\$72 88
(b) School money,	1,000 00
State and town joint highway accounts:	
(a) Unexpended balance in state treasury,	150 16
(b) Unexpended balance in town treasury,	85 86
Long term notes outstanding:	
Cement bridges,	3,000 00
Trust funds, <u>amount</u> of principal used by town:	850 00
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Total liabilities,	\$5,158 90
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Grand total,	\$5,158 90

RECEIPTS

Current revenue:

From local taxes:

Property taxes committed to collector, 1923,	\$7,065 56	
Less uncollected, 1923,	6,516 00	
1. Property taxes, current year, actually collected,	\$6,516 00	
2. Poll taxes, current year, actually col- lected, @ \$3,	36 00	
3. Poll taxes, current year, actually col- lected, @ \$5,	540 00	
4. Property and poll taxes, previous years, actually collected,	401 52	
Total of above collections,		\$7,493 52

From state:

6. Highways:	
(a) For state aid maintenance,	553 13
(b) For state aid construction,	510 28
9. Savings bank tax,	159 02
13. Bounties,	42 40

From local sources except taxes:

16. Dog licenses,	72 88
19. Rent of town hall,	16 00
20. Interest received on taxes,	13 76
26. Permits for the registration of motor vehicles,	350 86
27. Sale of gravel,	1 00

28. From Mrs. T. M. Lightfoot,	198 60	
		<u>\$1,917 93</u>
Total current receipts revenue,		<u>\$9,411 45</u>
Total receipts from all sources,		\$9,411 45
Cash on hand February 1, 1923,		3,123 36
Grand total,		<u>\$12,534 81</u>

PAYMENTS

Current maintenance expenses:

General government:

1. Town officers' salaries,	\$278 00	
2. Town officers' expenses,	242 15	
3. Election and registration expenses,	13 60	
4. Municipal court expenses,	22 55	
		<u>\$556 30</u>

Protection of persons and property:

9. Bounties,	\$42 40	\$42 40
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Highways and bridges:

14. State aid maintenance,	\$845 36	
16. Town maintenance,	1,768 21	
18. General expenses of highway de- partment, including watering troughs,	475 36	\$3,088 93

Libraries:

19. Libraries,	\$50 00	\$50 00
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Patriotic purposes:

22. Aid to G. A. R. Memorial Day exercises,	\$25 00	\$25 00
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Recreation:

24. Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts,	\$50 00	\$50 00
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Public service enterprises:

27. Cemeteries, including hearse hire,	\$15 00	\$15 00
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Total current maintenance expenses,		<u>\$3,827 63</u>
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Interest:

32. Paid on temporary loan in anticipation of taxes,	\$200 00
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34. Paid on bonded debt,	29 75
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Total interest payments,	<u>29 75</u>	\$229 75
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Outlay for new construction and permanent improvements:

37. Highways and bridges— Trunk line construction,	\$981 61
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38. Highways and bridges— Town construction,	373 30
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Total outlay payments,	<u>373 30</u>	\$1,354 91
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Indebtedness:

45. Payment on long term notes,	\$1,000 00
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Total indebtedness payments,	<u>1,000 00</u>	\$1,000 00
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Payments to other govern-
mental divisions:

50. Taxes paid to state,	\$995 00
51. Taxes paid to county,	514 39
53. Payments to school districts,	2,063 05
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Total payments to other governmental divisions,	\$3,572 44
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Total payments for all purposes,	\$9,984 73
Cash on hand January 31, 1924,	2,550 08
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Grand total,	\$12,534 81

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HOMER F. PRIEST,
Auditor.

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
1. Town hall, lands and buildings,	\$2,000 00
Furniture and equipment,	100 00
2. Libraries, furniture and equipment,	600 00
5. Highway department, land and buildings,	200 00
Equipment,	390 00
8. Schools, lands and buildings,	3,000 00
Equipment,	200 00
9. All other property and equipment:	
Hearse house and burial equipment,	500 00
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Total,	\$6,990 00

DETAIL STATEMENT

Payments for the Year Ending January 31, 1924.

General government:

Detail 1. Salaries of principal town officers:

Wilmer C. Tolman, selectman,	\$65 00
Albert Georgina, selectman,	45 00
Frank E. Upton, selectman,	50 00
Homer F. Priest, town clerk,	25 00
Millard F. Hardy, treasurer,	25 00
William W. Dunn, tax collector,	65 00
Homer F. Priest, auditor,	3 00

\$278 00

Detail 2. Town officers' expenses:

A. H. Chase, check lists,	\$1 56
Printing town reports,	95 20
O. E. Cain, counsel fees,	25 15
Town officers' bonds,	25 00
N. H. Association of Assessors, dues 1922 and 1923,	4 00
Edson C. Eastman, tax books,	4 43
Insurance on law books,	5 14
George Fish, damages on highway,	8 00
A. Georgina, revolver permit books,	2 07
A. Georgina, meeting tax commission,	3 50
A. Georgina, telephoning,	60
H. F. Priest, automobile fees,	12 75
H. F. Priest, transportation of law books,	4 00
H. F. Priest, labor on town hall,	16 00
Frank E. Upton, telephoning,	50
Frank E. Upton, meeting tax commission,	4 00
Frank E. Upton, one day reassessing,	5 00
A. Georgina, keeping tramp,	1 00
William W. Dunn, printing, postage, etc.,	10 00
Wilmer C. Tolman, meeting tax commission,	4 00

Wilmer C. Tolman, telephoning, postage, etc.,	6 25
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	\$242 15

Detail 3. Election and registration:

Charles S. Flood, supervisor,	\$7 60
M. D. Tolman, supervisor,	3 00
M. D. Tolman, ballot clerk,	3 00
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	\$13 60

Detail 4. Care of town hall:

Albert Jackson, sawing and putting in wood,	\$3 00
Pearson Brothers, stove pipe,	4 15
Maurice D. Tolman, janitor,	15 40
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	\$22 55

Detail 5. State aid maintenance:

W. L. Guillow,	\$799 48
A. Georgina,	45 88
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	\$845 36

Detail 6. Bounties:

Selectmen,	\$42 40
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Detail 7. Town maintenance of highways:

John Priest, road agent,	\$788 45
Clarence F. Bridge, road agent,	709 92
Northeast Metal Culvert Company,	234 03
William W. Dunn, bridge committee,	32 31
W. O. Conrad, drain pipe and labor,	3 50
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	\$1,768 21

Detail 8. Breaking roads,

John Priest,	\$151 25
Clarence Bridge,	324 11
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	\$475 36

Detail 9. Education:

Alice Cutter Scott, support of library,	\$25 00
Delia H. Osgood, librarian,	13 00
Sarah E. Mansfield, librarian,	12 00
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	\$50 00

Detail 10. Patriotic purposes:

Fred M. Murdough, Memorial Day,	\$25 00
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Detail 11. Public service enterprises:

Maurice D. Tolman, mowing cemetery,	\$15 00
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Detail 12. Outlay for new construction:

Albert Georgina, cement bridge,	\$373 30
Albert Georgina, state aid construction,	981 61
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	\$1,354 91

Detail 13. Taxes paid to state:

Due from 1922 poll taxes,	\$204 00
Due from 1923 poll taxes,	216 00
State tax for 1923,	575 00
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	\$995 00

Detail 14. Taxes paid to County:

Jerome E. Wright, county treasurer,	\$514 39
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Detail 15. Payment to schools:

Ernestine Fisher, school treasurer,	\$2,063 05
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Detail 16. Parks and playgrounds:

M. F. Hardy, Old Home Day,	\$50 00
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Detail 17. Indebtedness:

The Keene National Bank, town note,	\$1,000 00
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Detail 18. Interest:

The Keene National Bank,	\$200 00
Grace M. Priest, interest on trust fund,	29 75
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	\$229 75

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HOMER F. PRIEST,
Auditor.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF NELSON

	Amount voted to be raised	Amount actually expended	Estimate for ensuing year
Highways and bridges,	\$1,500 00	\$1,569 61	\$1,500 00
Town charges,	600 00	556 30	600 00
Breaking roads,	200 00	475 36	400 00
Library,	25 00	50 00	50 00
Old Home Day,	50 00	50 00	50 00
Cemetery,	15 00	15 00	15 00
Schools,	2,000 00	2,063 05	2,000 00
State tax,	575 00	575 00	575 00
County tax,	514 39	514 39	514 39
Note, Sept. 1, 1924,	800 00	1,000 00	1,000 00
Interest,			179 75

Optional

Trunk line construction. Town to raise \$495.00 or \$990.00.
 Trunk line construction. State to raise \$742.00 or \$1,485.00.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS, TOWN OF NELSON

For Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1924

Date of Creation	Trust Funds	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Per Cent of Interest	Income on Hand at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Income on Hand at End of Year
1902	Melville Cemetery Trust Fund	Loaned Town of Nelson Cheshire County Savings Bank	\$200.00	3½	\$38.40	\$8.28	\$4.70	\$41.98
1903	Bancroft Cemetery Trust Fund		100.00	3½	45.22	5.22	2.35	48.09
1906	Whitney Cemetery Trust Fund		50.00	3½	9.79	2.05	1.20	10.64
1908	Charles Atwood Cemetery Trust Fund		50.00	3½	13.79	2.21	1.20	14.80
1909	Flora Bryant Cemetery Trust Fund		50.00	3½	18.41	2.23	1.20	19.44
1910	Russell Kittredge Cemetery Trust Fund		100.00	3½	17.27	4.08	2.35	19.00
1921	James Derby Cemetery Trust Fund		300.00	3½	10.08	10.76	7.00	13.84
1923	Wilson Cemetery Trust Fund		100.00	4	—	1.67	—	1.67

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HOMER F. PRIEST, Auditor.

GRACE M. PRIEST,
WAYLAND P. TOLMAN,
JOHN F. PRIEST.

REPORTS OF ROAD AGENTS

SNOW BILL

FEBRUARY, 1923

Homer F. Priest and team, 4½ days,	\$31 50
John F. Priest, 6 days,	18 00
Hubert T. Priest, 2½ days,	7 50
Wilmer C. Tolman and team, 1½ days,	10 50
Oren L. Farwell and team, 1 day,	7 00

\$74 50

MARCH, 1923

Homer F. Priest and team, 3½ days,	\$24 50
Homer F. Priest, ½ day,	1 50
John F. Priest, 3½ days,	10 50
Hubert T. Priest, 1½ days,	4 50
James N. Priest, ½ day,	1 50
Leander Patrick, 1 day,	3 00
Oren L. Farwell and team, ½ day,	3 50
Wilmer C. Tolman and team, ½ day,	3 50
Gordon F. Tolman, ½ day,	1 50
Frank E. Upton, 15 hours,	5 25

\$59 25

APRIL, 1923

Wilmer C. Tolman and team, ½ day,	\$3 50
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JANUARY, 1924

Homer F. Priest and team, 1 day,	\$7 00
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John F. Priest, 1 day,	3 50	
Wilmer C. Tolman and team, 1/2 day,	3 50	
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		\$14 00

JOHN F. PRIEST,
Road Agent.

APRIL

Homer F. Priest and team, 2 days,	\$14 00	
John F. Priest, 2 days,	7 00	
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		\$21 00

MAY

Homer F. Priest and team, 6 days,	\$42 00	
John F. Priest, 12 days,	42 00	
Hubert T. Priest, 4 days,	14 00	
Albert Jackson, 2 days,	7 00	
John Holbrook, 1 day,	3 50	
Clarence Bridge and team, 3 days,	21 00	
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		\$129 50

JUNE

Homer F. Priest and team, 8 1/2 days,	\$59 50
Homer F. Priest and truck, 2 days,	24 00
Homer F. Priest, plow,	50
Homer F. Priest, spikes,	75
Homer F. Priest, 7 loads gravel,	70
John F. Priest, 12 days,	42 00
Albert Jackson, 6 days,	21 00
Charles Flood, 11 1/2 days,	5 25
Leander Patrick, 1 day,	3 50
Leander Patrick, 7 loads gravel,	70
Clarence F. Bridge and team, 2 days,	14 00

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Mrs. Greenwood, 35 loads gravel,	3 50
L. H. Bassett and team, 1½ days,	10 50
Hubert T. Priest, 4 days,	14 00

\$199 90

JULY

Homer F. Priest and team, 1 day,	\$7 00
Homer F. Priest and truck, 2 days,	24 00
John F. Priest, 4 days,	14 00

\$45 00

AUGUST

Homer F. Priest and team, 1½ days,	\$10 50
Homer F. Priest and truck, 2½ days,	30 00
Homer F. Priest, 25 loads gravel,	2 50
John F. Priest, 6½ days,	22 75
Hubert T. Priest, 1 day,	3 50

\$69 25

SEPTEMBER

Homer F. Priest and team, 2 days,	\$14 00
Homer F. Priest and truck, 1 day,	12 00
John F. Priest, 3 days,	10 50
Albert Jackson, 2 days,	7 00
Joseph Skinner, 1 day,	3 50
Hubert T. Priest, 1 day,	3 50

\$50 50

OCTOBER

Homer F. Priest and team, 4 days,	\$28 00
Homer F. Priest, 39 loads gravel,	3 90
John F. Priest, 10 days,	35 00
Albert Jackson, 4½ days,	15 75

Hubert T. Priest, 2 days,	7 00
L. H. Bassett and team, 1½ days,	10 50

\$100 15

NOVEMBER

Homer F. Priest and team, 4½ days,	\$31 50
Homer F. Priest, 14 loads gravel,	1 40
Homer F. Priest, use of plow,	50
John F. Priest, 14 days,	49 00
Theodore M. Priest, ½ day,	1 75
Albert Jackson, ½ day,	1 75
Frank E. Upton, 1 day,	3 50
Hubert T. Priest, ½ day,	1 75
Leander Patrick, ½ day,	1 75
Mrs. Jessie Greenwood, 4 loads gravel,	40
George L. Cadý, 12 loads gravel,	1 20
Wilmer C. Tolman, 133 feet plank,	6 65
Charles L. Otis, 25 loads gravel,	2 50
Arthur E. Jennings, 13 loads gravel,	1 30

\$104 95

DECEMBER

John F. Priest, 3 days,	\$10 50
Total,	\$730 75

JOHN F. PRIEST,
Road Agent.

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HOMER F. PRIEST,
Auditor.

PUTTING IN LIGHTFOOT CULVERTS

Maurice D. Tolman, 3 days,	\$10 50	
Albert Jackson, 3 days,	10 50	
John F. Priest, 3 days,	10 50	
Homer F. Priest and team, 3 days,	21 00	
Homer F. Priest, 1/2 day,	2 50	
2 bags cement,	2 70	
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		\$57 70
Received from Lightfoot,	\$40 20	
Expense to town,	17 50	
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		\$57 70

SNOW BILL

FEBRUARY AND MARCH, 1923

Thomas Rowe, 31 hours,	\$10 32
Maurice Tolman, 52 1/2 hours,	17 50
Albert Jackson, 27 hours,	9 00
Percy Flood, 23 1/2 hours,	7 84
Harold Tompkins, 12 3/4 hours,	4 20
Harry Frazier, 4 1/2 hours,	1 50
Albert Georgina, 4 1/2 hours,	1 50
Emery Tarbox, 4 1/2 hours,	1 50
Wallace Dunn, 8 hours,	2 67
John Holbrook, 5 1/2 hours,	1 83
Frank Bridge, 4 1/2 hours,	1 50
Will Guillow, 3 hours,	1 00
Peter Keough, Jr., 17 hours,	5 67
Floyd Keough, 17 hours,	5 67
E. M. Towne, 29 hours,	9 80
Clarence Bridge, 27 hours,	9 00

Will Guillow and team, 18 hours,	14 00
A. W. Wilder and team, 5 hours,	4 00
Peter Keough and team, 93 hours,	72 34
George Robbins and team, 29 hours,	22 62
E. M. Towne and team, 47 hours,	36 66
Clarence Bridge and team, 103½ hours,	80 50
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	\$320 62

JANUARY, 1924

L. H. Bassett, 4½ hours,	\$3 49
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Total,	\$324 11

CLARENCE F. BRIDGE,
Road Agent.

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HOMER F. PRIEST,
Auditor.

MAY, 1923

John Priest, 3 days,	\$10 50
Hubert Priest, 3 days,	10 50
Albert Jackson, 1 day,	3 50
John Holbrook, 1 day,	3 50
Clarence Bridge, 2 days,	7 00
H. F. Priest and team, 3 days,	21 00
C. F. Bridge and team, 11 days, 2 hours,	78 56
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	\$134 56

JUNE

C. F. Bridge, 1 day,	\$3 50
S. E. Smith, 1 day,	3 50
John Priest, 5 days,	17 50
Albert Jackson, 3½ days,	12 25
Richard Upton, 1 day,	2 00
E. H. Bridge, ½ day,	1 75
H. F. Priest and team, 4½ days,	31 50
C. F. Bridge and team, 13½ days,	94 50
Pole for scraper,	1 25

\$167 75

JULY AND AUGUST

C. F. Bridge and team, 6 days,	42 00
F. W. Bridge, 2 days,	7 00
E. H. Bridge, 2 days,	7 00

\$56 00

SEPTEMBER

H. F. Priest, 6 loads gravel,	\$ 60
Dynamite and fuse,	3 25
Sharpening drills,	85
Harry Frazier, 4½ days,	15 75
Albert Georgina, 1 day,	3 50
Ernest Bridge, 4 days,	14 00
F. W. Bridge, 1½ days,	5 25
John Kaiza, ½ day,	1 75
A. W. Wilder and team, 2 days,	14 00
C. F. Bridge and team, 10 days,	70 00

\$128 95

OCTOBER

C. S. Flood, 1½ days,	\$5 25
E. H. Bridge, 2 days,	7 00

C. F. Bridge and team, 9 days,	63 00
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\$75 25

NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER

C. F. Bridge and team, 12½ days,	\$87 50
E. H. Bridge, 11 days,	38 50
C. F. Bridge, 4 days,	14 00
E. M. Towne, 3 hours,	1 17
George Robbins and team, 8 hours,	6 24

\$147 41

Total,	\$709 92
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CLARENCE F. BRIDGE,

Road Agent.

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HOMER F. PRIEST,

Auditor.

WORK ON BRIDGE (Outlet of Granite Lake)

SEPTEMBER, 1923

A. Wilder, team and driver, 6½ days at \$7.50;	\$48 75
H. Frazier, 6½ days, ½ hour, at \$3.75,	24 52
A. Wheeler, 5 days, ½ hour, at \$3.75,	19 00
G. Smith, 4½ days, ½ hour, at \$3.75,	17 13
C. Frazier, 7 days, ½ hour, at \$3.75,	26 50

W. Dunn, 4½ days, at \$3.75,	16 88
A. Wilder, 5 days, at \$3.75,	18 75
J. Sherrard, 1 day, at \$3.75,	3 75
M. Guillow, 1½ days, at \$3.75,	4 63
H. Tompkins, ½ day, at \$3.75,	1 88
E. Wilder, 1 day, at \$3.75,	3 75
A. Georgina, 7 days, 4 hours, at \$3.75,	27 93
A. Georgina, 2 trips Norcross, at \$2.00,	4 00
A. Georgina, trip after bridge plank,	1 00
A. Georgina, trip after irons,	1 00
A. Georgina, use of cement mixer, 21 hours, at 40c,	8 40
H. R. Green, 22 lbs. nails,	1 54
O. V. Norcross, 1,180 feet lumber at \$3.00 per 100 feet,	35 40
Spencer Hardware Co., 108 bags cement, at 92½c,	99 90
F. Bridge, 28 loads sand, at 10c,	2 80
A. Georgina, 41 bags (to make dam), at 5c,	2 05
A. Georgina, ½ day, filling in,	1 87
C. Frazier, ½ day, filling in (bank),	1 87
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	\$373 30
Top cost,	\$71 10
Cost of sides,	\$302 20
Fisher to pay one-half cost of sides,	\$151 10
Town pays,	\$222 20

STATE AID MAINTENANCE

Money Available	State	Town	Total
Balance, 1922,	\$133 72	\$66 87	\$200 59
Appropriation, 1923;	600 00	300 00	900 00
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Total fund,	\$733 72	\$366 87	\$1,100 59

EXPENDITURES

Date	Item	Paid by town	Paid by state	State to town
April	W. L. Guillow, patrolman,	\$66 12		
May	W. L. Guillow, patrolman,	90 22		
June	W. L. Guillow, patrolman,	139 32		
July	W. L. Guillow, patrolman,	38 05		
August	W. L. Guillow, patrolman,	85 04		
September	W. L. Guillow, patrolman,	144 40		
October	W. L. Guillow, patrolman,	112 44		
November	W. L. Guillow, patrolman,	97 16		
Oct. 13	Albert Georgina,	45 88		
Dec. 1	W. Guillow,	26 73		
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		\$845 36		
	Engineering and miscellaneous,		\$31 30	
July 11	State payment to town,			\$75 00
Aug. 29	State payment to town,			100 00
Oct. 24	State payment to town,			100 00

State payments due town,			278 13
Totals,	\$845 36	\$31 30	\$553 13
	553 13	553 13	
Actual expenditures,	\$292 23	\$584 43	
1923 balances,	\$74 64	\$149 29	

TRUNK LINE CONSTRUCTION

Money Available	State	Town	Total
Appropriation, 1923,	\$699 75	\$466 50	\$1,166 25

EXPENDITURES

Date	Item	Paid by town	Paid by state	State to town
Sept. 15	Albert Georgina,	\$174 62		
Sept. 22	Albert Georgina,	134 39		
Sept. 29	Albert Georgina,	148 26		
Oct. 6	Albert Georgina,	240 64		
Oct. 13	Albert Georgina,	278 23		
		\$976 14		
	Culverts and engineering,		\$188 60	
	State payments due town,			\$510 28
Totals,		\$976 14	\$188 60	\$510 28
		510 28	510 28	
Actual expenditures,		\$465 86	\$698 88	
1923 balances,		64	87	

STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

Money Available	State	Town	Total
Balance, 1922,	\$6 36	\$10 58	\$16 94

EXPENDITURES

Date	Item	Paid by town	Paid by state	State to town
	State paid for engineering,		\$6 36	
	1923 balances,	\$10 58		

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Repair fund on hand February 1, 1923,	\$6 75
Library fund on hand February 1, 1923,	3 04
Received from town treasurer,	25 00
Received from Mrs. Osgood, fines,	41
Received from Mrs. Mansfield, fines,	1 20
	\$29 65
Expended for books,	27 44
	\$2 21
Library fund on hand February 1, 1924,	
Number of volumes purchased during year,	28
Number of volumes issued from Nelson library,	389
Number of volumes issued from Munsonville branch,	592

We are grateful for gifts of books, 8 from Mrs. Clarence Wellington of Keene and 1 from Mrs. Lightfoot of Nelson.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCES R. UPTON,
ALICE SCOTT,
CORA J. TOLMAN,

Trustees.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Citizens and School Board of Nelson :

It is with pleasure that I submit my first annual report as superintendent of schools.

During the short period of six months' observation and direction of your schools, we have aimed to follow the state course of study, as far as conditions and a limited supply of equipment will permit.

As far as possible, we have eliminated educational fallacies and put emphasis on the old fashioned word "work", directing our efforts to the fundamentals, viz.: reading, writing and arithmetic, the use of good English, both oral and written, in composition and conversation.

The teachers have been devoted to their work and conscientious in its execution.

There is no escape from the fact that public schools are expensive and that their cost is increasing. The increase in cost is due not only to the higher salaries needed to secure good teachers, higher cost of repairs, the doubling of charges for heat, extension of required transportation routes, continued high prices of books and supplies, but also to the fact that the requirements which schools have to meet have broadened greatly throughout the entire country, and physical conditions considered satisfactory forty years ago are no longer tolerated.

Our great problem is to maintain our schools in creditable condition and at the same time keep within the limits of our appropriations.

We must realize that public school education is the bulwark of our free institutions, that in the rising generation of

boys and girls lie the latent powers of our republic, that the way the twig is bent, the tree is sure to grow.

Therefore, realizing that the boys and girls of today are to be the men and women of tomorrow, it behooves us to act with feverish solicitude in the interests of the welfare of our children. It is an essential duty imposed upon us to vitalize their education with a thorough preparation in the fundamentals of mental, moral and religious life.

The boys and girls of Nelson are worthy of all the town can give them in the way of educational opportunities.

Every citizen, whether he has children or not, should be interested in the education of the boys and girls, for in twenty years the affairs of the town will be in their hands.

Too many pupils make the mistake of leaving school as soon as the law permits. We should encourage by every means possible such pupils to continue longer in school. Whether they are to become workers in the factory, store or on the farm, they will be better workers if they go far enough to be able to study and understand a little of mill mechanics or to take a reading course for information along the line of their vocation of life. The increase in thinking power through a few additional years of school will make them more capable workers and more intelligent citizens.

SCHOOL WORK

At the Munsonville school, Miss May continues to maintain her reputation for thorough and efficient work. Every recitation is motivated by a clear and well defined plan which, by means of her characteristic energy, functions throughout all her school work.

At Center Nelson, Miss Fiske began her duties as a teacher last September. Miss Fiske is doing excellent work in the fundamentals, viz: reading, writing and arithmetic; also has obtained some interesting results in geography, history and drawing. She has maintained good discipline and has taken

an active interest not only in the duties of the schoolroom, but also in various activities of community life.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation to the school board, teachers, parents, and citizens of Nelson, for their hearty co-operation. I feel that you have two competent and conscientious teachers, who are working along approved lines and who are securing very good results.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERICK T. JOHNSON,

Superintendent of Schools.

Marlboro, February 16, 1924.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

From July 1, 1922, to June 30, 1923

The school at Nelson was taught by Miss Frances A. Leach. Although a young teacher, she was very successful in her work. All were sorry not to be able to secure her services for another year.

The school at Munsonville was taught by Miss Mabel E. May, a teacher of long experience. As she has taught this school for a number of years, her pupils show the result of faithful service. We were glad to be able to secure her services for another year.

NELSON SCHOOL

Length of school, in weeks,	36
Total enrollment,	12
Average membership,	13.85
Average attendance,	13.52
Per cent of attendance,	97.6
Number of tardinesses,	5
Number of visits of citizens,	61
Number of visits of school board,	8
Number of visits of superintendent,	15

Honor Roll

Pupils neither absent nor tardy.

First Term	Second Term	Third Term
Floyd Keough	Floyd Keough	Delia Farewell
*Dorothy Priest	Dorothy Priest	Dorothy Priest
*Eliot Priest	Eliot Priest	Eliot Priest

*Homer Priest	Homer Priest	Homer Priest
Elizabeth Upton		
Frances Upton	Frances Upton	
Richard Upton	Richard Upton	

*Perfect attendance for year.

MUNSONVILLE SCHOOL

Length of school, in weeks,	36
Total enrollment,	16
Average membership,	14.49
Average attendance,	13.31
Number of tardinesses,	25
Number of visits by citizens,	55
Number of visits by school board,	5
Number of visits by superintendent,	15

Honor Roll

Pupils neither absent nor tardy:

First Term	Second Term	Third Term
Frances Georgina		
Esther Kaija		Esther Kaija
*Winona Scott	Winona Scott	Winona Scott
Raymond Barrett		
Donald Green		
Reino Kaija		Reino Kaija

FINANCIAL REPORT

For School Year Ending June 30, 1923

RECEIPTS

From selectmen, raised by taxation:

For support of elementary schools, \$5.00 tax,	\$1,557 60
For high school tuition,	334 65
For salaries of district officers,	39 75
For payment of per capita tax,	68 00
Special appropriation,	50 00

 \$2,050 00

Less \$20.00 paid before July 1, 1922,	20 00
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 \$2,030 00

From sources other than taxation:

Dog licenses (from selectmen),	83 05
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Total receipts from all sources,	\$2,113 05
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Cash on hand at beginning of year, July 1, 1922,	190 47
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Grand total,	\$2,303 52
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Orders paid, fiscal year, July 1, 1922—June 30, 1923,	2,088 51
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Cash balance end of fiscal year, 1923,	\$215 01
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PAYMENTS

Administration:

Salaries of district officers,	\$39 75
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Superintendent's excess salary,	71 43
Expense of administration,	11 73

Instruction:

Teachers' salaries:	1,224 00
Text books,	34 23
Scholars' supplies,	20 13
Other expenses of instruction,	14 99

Operation and maintenance of school plant:

Janitor service:	41 25
Fuel,	57 73
Janitors' supplies,	2 71
Minor repairs and expenses,	18 96

Auxiliary agencies and special activities:

Medical inspection,	24 00
High school and academy tuition,	334 65

Outlay for construction and equipment:

Alterations of old buildings,	73 06
New equipment,	14 85

Debt, interest and other charges:

Payment of principal debt,	37 04
Per capita tax,	68 00

Total for all purposes,	\$2,088 51
Total cash on hand at end of year, June 30, 1923,	215 01
Grand total,	\$2,303 52

SCHOOL BOARD ESTIMATE

For Year 1924 to 1925

To meet statutory requirements:

For high school tuition,	\$420 00
Per capita tax,	68 00
Superintendent's excess salary,	71 00

For general school purposes:

Salaries of district officers,	40 00
Support of elementary schools, \$5.00 tax, estimate,	1,601 00
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	\$2,200 00

High school tuition has been raised from \$55.00 to \$70.00 on each pupil. For that reason, it seems necessary to raise \$200.00 more than last year.

MILDRED S. GREEN,
 ADA B. UPTON,
 School Board.

SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash in treasury February 1, 1923,	\$4	70
Received of selectmen, dog licenses for 1922,	83	05
Received of selectmen, February 1, 1923, to July 1, 1923,	980	00
Received of selectmen, July 1, 1923, to February 1, 1924,	1,000	00
		\$2,067 75

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid by order of the School Board

February 1, 1923, to July 1, 1923,	\$852	76
July 1, 1923, to February 1, 1924,	1,165	31
		\$2,018 07
Cash in treasury, February 1, 1924,		\$49 68

ERNESTINE FISHER,
School Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

FRED A. SCOTT,
Auditor.

VITAL STATISTICS

To the Selectmen:

In compliance with an act of the legislature, passed June session, 1887, amended by the legislature of 1889, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the Annual Report," I hereby submit the following:

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF NELSON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child (if any).	Sex and Condition.			Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
		Male or Female.	Lying or Stillborn.	No. of Child 1st, 2d, etc.							
Sept. 29	Vernon Harry Frazier	M	L	2	Wm. Harry Frazier	Florence H. Bridge	Painter	Manchester	Keene	30	34
Oct. 29	Loren Dunn Bridge	M	S	2	Clarence F. Bridge	Doris L. Hill	Farmer	Sullivan	Keene	26	24
Oct. 29	Loraine Dunn Bridge	F	S	3	Clarence F. Bridge	Doris L. Hill	Farmer	Sullivan	Keene	26	24
Nov. 22	_____ Warner	F	L	2	Donald Warner	Grace Towne	Woodchopper	Nelson	Nelson	18	22

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF NELSON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in years.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	*Condition.	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
June 1	Nelson	Harold Tompkins Ethelyn Viola Guillow	Nelson Nelson	27 20	Sawyer Housework	Windham, N. Y. Nelson	Alice Pierce Howard Tompkins Willie L. Guillow Zaidce Bridge	Windham, N. Y. Windham, N. Y. Westmoreland Sullivan	1st 1st	Rv. M. F. Hardy Nelson

*What marriage—whether 1st, 2d, etc.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF NELSON, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.			Place of Birth.		Sex and Condition. Male or Female.	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
		Years.	Months.	Days.	Father.	Mother.					
Oct. 29	Loren Dunn Bridge	0	0	0	Nelson	M	Sullivan	Keene	Clarence F. Bridge	Donis L. Hill	
Oct. 29	Lorain Dunn Bridge	0	0	0	Nelson	F	Sullivan	Keene	Clarence F. Bridge	Donis L. Hill	
Dec. 18	Catie Pratt	72	4	22	Nelson	F	S	Nelson	Frederick Pratt	Catherine Hardy	
Dec. 21	Frank P. Wilson	70	7	14	Stoddard	M	Stoddard	Stoddard	Henry Wilson	Abigail Robb	

*Single, married or widowed.

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of births, marriages and deaths is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HOMER F. PRIEST,
Town Clerk.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the town of Nelson, in the county of Cheshire, in said state, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at town hall in said Nelson on Tuesday, the eleventh 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 for the same.
3. 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.
4. To see if the town will vote to continue the present highway system, or take any action in relation thereto.
5. To see what sums of money the town will raise for building and repairing highways and bridges, or take any action relating thereto.

6. To see what sum of money the town will raise for reducing town debt.

7. To see if the town will vote to accept state aid for road construction.

8. To see if the town will vote to accept state aid for state road maintenance.

9. To see what sums of money the town will raise for the support of the library.

10. To see what sums of money the town will raise for Memorial Day.

11. To see if the town will vote to raise or appropriate money for Old Home Day.

12. To see what sum of money the town will raise for care of cemetery.

13. To see what sum of money the town will raise to repair the road near the Nelson and Harrisville town line, in the east part of the town, or pass any vote in relation thereto.

14. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to pledge a sum—not to exceed \$1,000.00—for a fireproof vault in the proposed new library.

15. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the suppression of the white pine blister rust.

16. To see if the town will raise or appropriate money for culverts and bridges on the Forest Road, or pass any vote in relation thereto.

17. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seals, this twenty-first day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty-four.

WILMER C. TOLMAN,
ALBERT GEORGINA,
FRANK E. UPTON,
Selectmen of Nelson.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

WILMER C. TOLMAN,
ALBERT GEORGINA,
FRANK E. UPTON,
Selectmen of Nelson.

New Hampshire State Library



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