



Annual Report Of The Officers Of The Town of Benton, N. H. For The Year Ending January 31, 1935

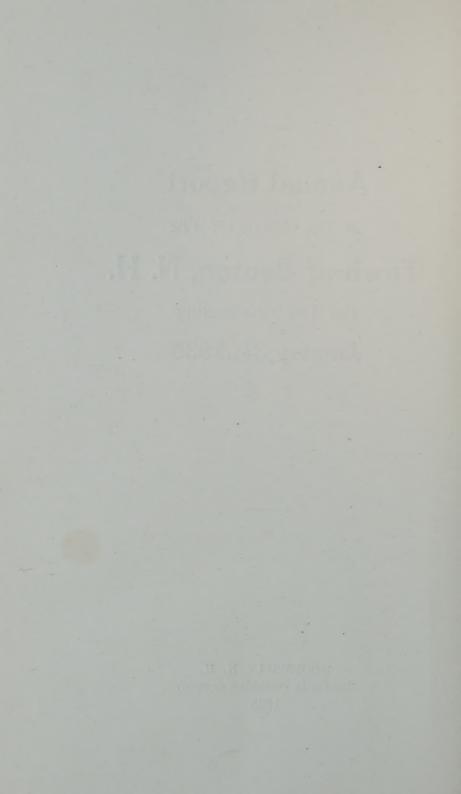


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Of The Officers Of The **Town of Benton, N. H.** For The Year Ending

January 31, 1935

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## **BENTON TOWN OFFICERS**

## MODERATOR Ira E. Elliott

TOWN CLERK Floyd J. Hutchins

SELECTMEN John Boutin, F. O. Rollins, W. J. Yeaton

HIGHWAY AGENTS Napoleon Boutin

Ernest T. Page

TREASURER Edith J. Yeaton TAX COLLECTOR L. W. Noxon

SUPERVISORS OF CHECKLIST Charles C. Tyler, S. H. Dexter, John G. Elliott

SURVEYORS OF WOOD AND LUMBER Floyd J. Hutchins George N. Belyea

LIBRARY TRUSTEES Catherine Eastman, Laura M. Noxon, Mildred A. Elliott

CONSTABLE Carl G. Eastman

LIBRARIAN Catherine Eastman

FENCE VIEWERS Carl G. Eastman Arthur Boutin Lester Noxon

> THE POUND KEEPER Napoleon Paradie

SCHOOL BOARD Alexzena Boutin Ira E. Elliott Edith Yeaton

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUND S. H. Dexter, John G. Elliott, W. J. Yeaton SEXTON C. C. Tyler

#### TOWN WARRANT

## State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Benton qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Benton on the second Tuesday of March next, the twelfth, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects—

Article 1 To choose a Town Clerk, one Selectman for three years, one or more Highway Agents not to exceed three, one Tax Collector, one Town Treasurer, one Auditor, one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years, one Library Trustee for three years, and all other necessary Town Officers and Agents, for the ensuing year.

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

Article 3 To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Officers salaries, and expenses, and for the repair and maintenance and construction of highway and bridges, for the observance of Memorial Day, and for all other Town charges and expenses for ensuing year.

Article 4 To see what action the Town will take in regard to securing State Aid for highways, and to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for that purpose. Article 5 To see what action the Town will take to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 6 To see what action the Town will take in regard to keeping Town Highways open for motor vehicle traffic during the winter season, including snow removal and sanding and make the necessary appropriation therefore.

Article 7 To see if the Town will vote to dispense with delivery of inventory blanks until April 1st.

Article 8 To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 9th day of February, A. D., 1935.

JOHN BOUTIN,

F. O. ROLLINS,

WALTER J. YEATON,

Selectmen of Benton

## A TRUE COPY ATTEST

John Bovtin W. J. Yeaton

Selectmen of Benton

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#### BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF BENTON, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing year, February 1, 1935, to February 1, 1936, compared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous year. February 1, 1934, to February 1, 1935. actual est'm'd Sources of Revenue 1934 1935 FROM STATE: Interest and Dividends Tax \$ 7.27 \$ 7.00 Railroad Tax 29.6129.00E. R. U. 743.53 Savings Bank Tax 41.11 41.00 **Bounties** 84.80 84.80 FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES: Interest Received on Taxes \$ 62.80 \$ 62.80 227.85 Auto Permits 227.85 FROM LOCAL TAXES OTHER THAN PROPERTY TAXES \$236.00 \$236.00 **Poll Taxes** 71.00 71.00 Dog Fees Filing Fees 2.001.27 Protested check 7.287.28 Interest. John Cox Note 277.96277.96 Income, Trust Funds Refund, Acct. over-payment .50 291.96 250.00National Forest Reserve 637.68 600 00 Abatement State Tax 200.00 223.10Taxes Redeemed TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES \$2945.72 \$2094.69

Amount Raised by Property Taxes: 2254.81

TOTAL REVENUES

\$4349.50

OF THE TOWN OF BENTON 1934-35

Purposes of Expenditures	actual	est'm'd
Current Maintenance Expenses:	193	4 1935
Town Officers' Expenses Election & Registration Expenses		$\begin{array}{r}105.00\\75.00\end{array}$
Care and Supplies for Town Hall	36.99	35.00
PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PI	ROPERT	Y
Police Department Bounties HEALTH:	\$11.05 84.80	$\begin{array}{c}\$10.00\\85.00\end{array}$
Health Department	\$5.00	
Vital Statistics	2.50	2.50
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES: State Aid Maintenance- E. R. U. Town Maintenance Snow Removal	684.56	\$700.00 700.00
LIBRARIES: Libraries	\$12.00	\$12.00
PUBLIC WELFARE: Town Poor	<b>\$</b> 40. <b>6</b> 3	\$75.00
PATRIOTIC PURPOSES: Memorial Day	\$21.91	\$20.00
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES Cemeteries	5: \$67.60	\$50.00
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:		
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES: State Aid Construction Town's Share	\$248.91	\$250.00

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## Payments to Other Governmental Divisions

State Taxes	325.00	\$350.00
County Taxes	385.68	400.00
Payments to School Districts	1200.00	1200.00

# TOTAL EXPENDITURES

\$4349.50

# **INVENTORY OF THE TOWN, APRIL 1, 1934**

Lands and Buildings		\$120,925.00
Electric Plants including	pole line	28,750.00
Horses (35)		2,505.00
Cows (147)		6,865.00
Neat Stock (35)		750.00
Fowls (10)	te sur a	7.00
Portable Mills	156	1,500.00
Wood and Lumber		12,752.86
Gasoline Pumps and Tank	ks	525.00
Stock in Trade		<b>395.00</b>

## \$174,974.86

Polls, (124) @ \$2.00 \$248.00

Amount of taxes committed to Collector including Poll and Property \$3,328.36

Tax Rate

## \$1.76

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# OF THE TOWN OF BENTON 1934-35

## **APPROPRIATIONS FOR YEAR 1934**

Town Officers' Salaries		
		275.00
Town Officers expenses		95.00
Election and Registration		95.00
Town Hall		20.00
Police Department		5.00
Health Department		5.00
Vital Statistics		3.00
State Aid Construction		244.50
Town Road Maintenance		700.00
Snow Removal		700.00
Libraries	· · · ·	12.00
Memorial Day		20.00
Cemeteries		50.00
State Tax		325.00
County Tax		315.86
School Tax		1,196.00
TOTAL TOWN and SCHOOL		
APPROPRIATIONS		\$4,061.36
Less Estimated Revenue and Cre	dits	
Interest and Dividend Tax	\$ 8.00	)
Railroad Tax	35.00	)
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Savings Bank Tax	50.00	
Savings Bank Tax Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	50.00 225.00	)
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		)
	225.00	) ) )
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees Forest Reserve	225.00 215.00 200.00	) ) )
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees Forest Reserve Trust Funds	225.00 215.00 200.00	) ) ) 733.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees Forest Reserve Trust Funds Net Amount to be raised by Tax	225.00 215.00 200.00 ation	) ) ) 733.00 \$3,328.36
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees Forest Reserve Trust Funds Net Amount to be raised by Tax Less Poll Taxes	225.00 215.00 200.00 ation	) ) ) 733.00 \$3,328.36
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees Forest Reserve Trust Funds Net Amount to be raised by Tax Less Poll Taxes Amount to be raised by property	225.00 215.00 200.00 ation	<b>733.00</b> <b>3,328.36</b> 248.00

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE OFFICERS

BALANCE

# ASSETS

Cash:	
In hands of treasurer	\$1,747.41
Accounts Due to the Town:	
Due from State	
Account bounties paid	\$84.80
Taxes bought by town:	
Not including property actually deeded	
to Town	210.91
Uncollected Taxes:	
Levy of 1934 \$877.49	
Levy of 1933 58.80	
Levy of 1932 29.13	
Previous years 67.20	
Total Uncollected	\$1,032.62
Total Assets	\$3,075.74
Grand Total	\$3,075.74
Surplus, January 31, 1934	\$1,549.85
Surplus, January 31, 1935	2,018.72
Increase of Surplus	468.87

## SHEET

January 31, 1935

# LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by Town: Due to Trustees, Benton Trust Due to School District: Dog Licenses 1934 Balance Appropriation 1934 1934 Forest Reserve 1934 Trust Funds	Funds \$ 71.00 674.19 145.98 97.88	\$67.97
Total Due School District		\$989.05
Total Liabilities		\$1,057.02
Excess of assets over liabilities		2,018.72
Grand Total		\$3,075.74
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# SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

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Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$2,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	200.00
Town Clerk's Building	200.00
Furniture and Equipment	50.00
Highway Equipment including Road	
Machines and Snow Plow	400.00
School House, Land, Buildings, Equipment	1,800.00

\$4,650.00

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE OFFICERS

# TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Year Ending January	31, 1935
Cash on hand Flebruary 1st, 1934	\$1,540.37
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	
1930 Tax Sales Redeemed	34.09
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	
1931 Tax Sales Redeemed	62.45
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	
1931 Cost and Interest	13.52
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	
1932 Tax Sales Redeemed	136.56
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	
1932 Cost and Interest	27.25
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	
1933 Taxes	553.79
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector, 1933	Interest 20.12
From Lester W. Noxon, Collector,	0.000.07
1934 Taxes	2,226.07
From Lester W. Noxon, Collector	1.91
1934 Interest From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	1.91
1933 Dog Tax	2.00
1934 Dog Taxes	<b>69.00</b>
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	05.00
1934 Motor Vehicle Permits	84.37
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	
1935 Motor Vehicle Permits	143.48
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	
1931 Poll Taxes	6.00
From F. J. Hutchins, Collector	
1932 Poll Taxes	4.00
From L. W. Noxon, 1934 Poll Taxes	236.00

From State,	
Emergency Relief Unemployment Fund	743.53
From State, National Forest Reserve	291.96
From Income of Trust Funds	277.96
From H. H. Elliott, Refund mistake on orde	er .50
From W. J. Yeaton, Filing Fee	2.00
From F. J. Hutchins, check protest charge	1.27
From State, Bounties	84.80
From John E. Cox, Interest on Note	7.28
From State, Interest and Dividend, from St	tate 7.27
From State, abatement of Tax from State	637.68
From State, Railroad Tax	29.61
From State, Savings Bank Tax	41.11
	\$7,285.95
Total Payments Selectmen's Orders Paid	5,538.54
Balance on hand February 1, 1935	1,747.41
Cash	1,626.01
John E. Cox Note	121.40
TOTAL	\$1,747.41

EDITH J. YEATON, Treasurer

# **RECEIPTS AND**

# **Current Revenue:** From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes committed to Coll'ct'r 1934	4 \$3,079.56
Less vincollected, 1934	853.49
Property Taxes 1934 actually collected	2,226.07
Foll Taxes for 1934 actually collected	
118 @ \$2.00	236.00
Property and Poll Taxes previous	
years actually collected	563.79
Total of above Collections	\$3,025.86
Tax Sales redeemed	233.10
From State:	
Emergency Relief Unemployed, H'ghwy n	nain. 734.53
Interest and Dividend Tax	7.27
Railroad Tax	29.61
Savings Bank Tax	41.11
Abatement, State Tax	637.68
Bounties	84.80
Total Current Revenue Receipts	\$4,802.96
(Carried forward to page 16)	

PAYMENTS Year Ending Jan	nuary 31, 1935
Current Maintenance Expenses:	
General Government:	
Detail	
1 Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 267.11
2 Town Officers' Expenses	105.66
3 Election and Registration	102.00
4 Town Hall	36.99
Protection of Persons and Property:	50.99
5 Police Department including care of Tramps	11.05
6 Bounties paid out	84.80
Health Department:	04.00
7 Health Department	\$5.00
8 Vital Statistics	2.50
Highways and Bridges:	
9 E. R. U. Highway Ma'n' enance	\$744.06
10 Snew Removal	611.28
11 Town Maintenance	684.56
Libraries:	
12 Library	\$12.00
Charities:	
13 Town Poor	\$40.63
Patriotic Purposes:	\$_1.91
14 Memorial Day exercises <b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>	ф_1.91
15 Cemeteries	\$67.60
Unclassified:	401.00
16 Taxes bought by town	152.04
17 Discounts and Abatements	29.76
Total Current Expenses	\$2,978.95

(Carried forward to page 17)

**RECEIPTS AND** 

Total Receipts (brought forward from page 14)	\$4,802.96
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:	
Dog Licenses	71.00
Filing Fee, W. J. Yeaton	2.00
Protested Check Fee	1.27
Interest Received on Taxes	62.80
Interest John Cox Note	7.28
Income from Trust Funds	277.96
Refund, H. H. Elliott, Supervisor	.50
Motor Vehicle Permits year 1934	84.37
Motor Vehicle Permits year 1935	143.48
National Forest Reserve	291.96
Total Receipts from all sources	\$5,745.58
Cash on hand February 1st, 1934	1,540.37
Grand Total	\$7,285.95

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PAYMENTS	Year E	nding	January	y <b>31</b> ,	1935
Total Payments (bro from page 15) Outlay For New Co Permanent Improver	nstruction nents:			\$2,97	78.95
Highways and Bridg 18 State Aid Constr	-			\$24	48.91
Total Outlay P	ayments		_	\$24	48.91
Payments to Other	Governme	ental ]	Division	s:	
19 Taxes paid to Co					85.68
20 Taxes paid to St	ate			32	25.00
21 Payments to Sch	ool Distr	lct		16	00.00
Total Payments	to Other	Gov. I	Division	\$ \$2,3	10.68
Total Payments	for all I	Purpos	es	\$5,5	38.54
Cash on hand I	Pebruary	1st, 1	935	1,7	47.41
Grand Tota	ıl			\$7,2	85.95

DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMEN'	ГS
General Government:	
Detail No. 1, Town Officers' Salaries	
John Boutin, Selectman	27.00
Floyd O. Rollins, Selectman	27.66
Walter J. Yeaton, Selectman	49.00
Floyd J. Hutchins, Town Clerk	35.00
Floyd J. Hutchins, Dog Fees	5.40
Floyd J. Hutchins, Tax Sales Fees	15.80
Floyd J. Hutchins, Auto Fees	16.25
Lester W. Noxon, Collector	50.00
Lester W. Noxon, Auditor 1933 accounts	3.00
Lester W. Noxon, attending Tax	
Commission meeting	3.00
Edith J. Yeaton, Treasurer	35.00

\$267.11

Detail No. 2, Town Officers Expenses	
Woodsville Publishing Co., Town Reports	\$51.89
W. J. Randolph, Transfer Deeds	1.46
W. J. Yeaton, Stamps, Stationery	3.36
Bailey's Tavern, Warren, Dinners Selectmen	2.25
Star Restaurant, Lebanon, Dinners	
Road meeting	2.40
Edith J. Yeaton, Stamps and Stationery	1.89
Howe Press, Tax Bills	1.30
Edson Eastman Co., Tax Book,	
Dog Tags and Blanks	7.14
F. J. Hutchins, Stamps	1.74
Lester W. Noxon, Stamps and Stationery	8.38
Chamberlin's Greenhouse, flowers	
H. A. Morrill	10.00
Stephen H. Dexter, Auto Hire and Dinners	
Lisbon Account Trust Funds	3.95
Lisbon Savings Bank, for deposit box 2 yrs.	9.90
\$105.66	

Detail No. 3, Election and Registration	
C. C. Tyler, Supervisor	\$19.50
H. H. Elliott, Supervisor	18.50
S. H. Dexter, Supervisor	21.00
Ira E. Elliott, Moderator	9.00
A. U. Marden, Ballot Clerk	6.00
Carl Eastman, Ballot Clerk	6.00
Napoleon Burke, Ballot Clerk	6.00
Lester Noxon. Ballot Clerk	6.00
Mildred Elliott, Dinners, Town Meeting	10.00
\$102.00	10.00
Detail No. 4, Town Hall	
Ethel Boutin, clean Hall	\$ 5.00
R. M. Tewksbury, wood	4.00
F. O. Rollins, Repairs and Material, Town H	
F. P. Dearth Ins. Agency, insurance Hall	25.00
\$36.99	
Detail No. 5, Protection Persons and Propert	v
Carl G. Eastman, Constable	\$5.00
Ethel Boutin, feeding, lodging Tramps	4.05
F. O. Rollins, feeding, lodging Tramps	2.00
\$11.05	
Detail No. 6, Bounties	
Bounties paid out	\$84.80
Petail No. 7, Health Department	
Carl G. Eastman, Health Officer	\$5.00
Detail No. 8, Vital Statistics	
Dr. R. M. Deming, 2 deaths	\$.50
Dr. H. E. Siske, 2 deaths	.50
Dr. E. M. Miller, 1 death	.25
Dr. R. G. Perry, 1 death	.25
Dr. S. A. Blodgett, 3 births	.75
Rev. B. F. McIntire, 1 marriage	.25
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# Detail No. 9, Emergency Relief Unemployed HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

# Napoleon Boutin in charge

	Hours	Amount
Napoleon Boutin	126	\$ 48.90
Arthur Boutin, with truck	105	147.00
Arthur Boutin	23	7.67
John Elliott	111	36.99
Ben Elliott	109	36.32
R. M. Tewksbury	77	25.67
F. O. Rollins	76	25.33
Napoleon Burke	123	41.98
Roland McKean	103	34.32
F. J. Hutchins	57	18.99
Carl Eastman	49	16.34
Charles C. Tyler	53	15.65
A. U. Marden, and truck	97	116.40
S. H. Dexter and truck	96	115.20
Clough Brothers, 573 yards gravel (	@ .10	57.30

\$744.06

# Detail No. 10, Snow Removal and Sanding Roads Napoleon Boutin, Agent

	Hours	Amount
Napoleon Boutin and plow	159	\$318.00
Napoleon Boutin	<b>6</b> 9	22.39
John Elliott	95	31.54
Ben Elliott	4	1.23
Napoleon Paradie	$821/_{2}$	26.50
Naroleon Boutin and truck	$651/_{2}$	87.33
Lester Noxon	2	.66
Howard Tyler	4	1.33
R. M. Tewksbury	70	23.33
Carl Eastman	120	39.99
E. A. Marden	31/2	1.16
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	Hours	
C. C. Hill	$31/_{2}$	1.16
A. U. Marden	$121/_{2}$	4.16
N. Burke	12	4.00
F. J. Hutchins	7	2.33
Clough Brothers, 17 yards sand		1.70
Tilden Day, 42 yards sand		4.20
S. H. Dexter and team	$1\frac{3}{4}$	1.00
F. P. Wells, bolts for plow		1.43
Central Garage, repairs plow, cross	chains	10.15
W. F. Pike, repairs to plow		21.19
R. R. Scruggs, 6 shovels		6.50
		\$611.28
Detail No. 11, Town Road Maintena	nce	1 -
Napoleon Boutin, Agent		
Napoleon Boutin	105	\$ 36.97
Napoleon Boutin, and truck	239	300.66
F. J. Hutchins	381/2	12.83
Napoleon Burke	931/2	31.17
Lester Noxon	100	30.00
Arthur Boutin	193	64.13
	24	8.00
Carl Eastman		30.14
C. C. Hill	10072	1.20
Tilden Day, 8 loads gravel @ 15	~	1.60
S. H. Dexter, 11 loads gravel @ .1		3.00
Ben Elliott	9	14.40
Clough Brothers, 144 yards gravel @	@ .10	
Napoleon Paradie		22.78
Joseph Boutin, Jr.	661/2	22.12
F. O. Rollins	9	3.00
Nelson Page	- 4	1.32
C. Tewksbury	4	1.32
John Elliott	5	1.65
R. M. Tewksbury	5	1.65

\$587.94

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# Detail No. 11, Town Road Maintenance

Ernest T. Page, Agent

	Hours	Amount
E. T. Page	$301/_{2}$	\$ 10.16
E. T. Page and team	31	16.08
E. T. Page, 14 yards gravel @ .10		1.40
Joseph Prue	$371/_{2}$	12.50
Joseph Prve	54	35.88
Joseph Prue, 15 yards gravel @ .10		1.50
A. Fillian, 6 yards gravel @ .10		. 60
A. Fillian	39	13.00
A. Fillian and team	6	4.00
A. Fillian and truck	2	1.50
		\$96.62

## SUMMARY

Napoleon Boutin, Agent	\$587.94
Ernest T. Page, Agent	96.62
Total	\$684.56
Detail No. 12, Libraries	
Catherine Eastman, Librarian	\$12.00
Detail No. 13, Town Poor	
Town Poor assistance	\$40.63
Detail No. 14, Patriotic Purposes	
Ira E. Elliott, Memorial Day	21.91
Detail No. 15, Public Service Enterprises	
Charles C. Tyler, Sexton Services	\$62.30
E. G. Coates, Sexton Services	5.30
	\$67.60
Received from Trust Funds	
for Cemeteries	
Cost to Town	

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Detail No. 16, Unclassified Taxes bought by town	\$152.04
Detail No. 17, Abatements Property and Poll Taxes abated 10 Polls paid elsewhere 3 Polls Veterans 1 Poll overage 1 Property 1934- abated accepting aid	\$29.76
Detail No. 18, Outlay for New Constructi State Aid Construction	on \$248.91
Detail No. 19, Payments to Other Gov. Di	visions
Harry S. Huckins, County Treasurer For County Tax Charles T. Potten State Treasurer	\$385.68
Charles T. Patten, State Treasurer For State Tax	325.00
Treasurer Benton School District	1,600.00
	\$2,310.68

## TRUSTEES REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

## For the Period Ending January 31st, 1935

Received of the Ira Whitcher Fund, interest on \$500.00 U. S. Bond for Cemeteries

Interest	\$23.50	To Town Treasur	rer
on hand	21.25	for cemeteries	\$21.25
		Balance	23.50
	\$44.75		\$44.75

Received from Whitcher and Mann Fund, interest on \$500.00 U. S. Bond for Cemeteries, Balance Schools and Highways

Interest	\$21.25	To Town Treasur	rer
		for cemeteries	6.25
		for school	7.50
		for highways	7.50
	\$21.25		\$21.25

Received from Whitcher and Mann Fund, interest on \$1,000.00 U. S. Bond, care of lots, Balance to Schools and Highways

Interest	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	To Town Treasur- for cemeteries for schools	
	\$42.50	for highways	16.00 \$42.50

Received from Whitcher and Mann Fund, interest on \$1,750.00 U. S. Bond for Schools

		To Town Treasu	rer
Interest	\$74.38	for schools	\$74.38

Received of Whitcher and Mann Fund interest on \$1,750.00 U. S. Bond for Highways

	To Town Treasurer			
Interest	\$74.37	for highways	\$74.37	

Received from Ella Mann Fund interest on \$50. deposited Lisbon Savings and Trust Co., Lisbon, N. H., use Orman and Ella Mann lots in Mountain View Cemetery

		To Town Treasurer	
Interest	.87	for cemeteries	.87

Received from Geo. H. Clark Fund interest on \$200.00 deposited Lisbon Savings Bank and Trust Co., care Geo. H. Clark lot in Mountain View Cemetery

1932 Balance	9.97	To Town Treas	urer
Interest 1933	5.47	for cemeteries	3
Interest 1934	5.05	1933, 1934	\$ 8.00
		Balance	12.49
•			
	\$20.49		\$20,49

Received from J. C. Speed Fund interest on \$134.71 deposited Lisbon Savings Bank and Trust Co., care of lots

1932 Balance	\$10.29	To Town Treasur	rer
Interest 1933	3.73	for cemeteries	\$7.26
Interest 1934	3.53	Balance	10.29
	\$17.55		\$17.55

Received from Samuel C. Annis Fund interest on \$50.00 deposited Lisbon Savings Bank and Trust Co., for care of lot

Interest	1933	\$1.38		
Interest	1934	1.30		
			To Town Treasurer	
		\$2.68	for cemeteries	\$2.68

Received from Jonathan Davis Fund interest on \$50.00 deposited Lisbon Savings Bank and Trust Co., care of lot

Interest 1933	\$1.39		•
Interest 1934	1.30		
		To Town Treasurer	
	\$2.69	for cemeteries	\$2.69

Received from William Torsey Fund interest on \$50.00 deposited Lisbon Savings Bank and Trust

Co., care of lot			
Interest 1933	\$1.38		
Interest 1934	1.29		
		To Town Treasurer	
	\$2.67	for cemeteries	\$2.67

Received from L. H. Parker Fund income from Cemetery Field to be used for care of lots Rent of field 1934 \$7.00 To Town Treasurer for cemeteries \$7.00

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Received from Sam Whitcher and Wm. Kendall Fund interest on \$200.00 deposited Lisbon Savings Bank and Trust Co., care of Whitcher and Kendall lots

1932 Balance	\$19.17	To Town Treasur	rer
Interest 1933	5.47	for cemeteries	\$ 8.00
Interest 1934	5.05	Balance	21.69
		-	
	\$29.69		\$29.69

Kendrick L. Howe Fund. \$50.00 deposited in Lisbon Savings Bank and Trust Co., January 26, for care of lots. No interest for this report.

There remains on deposit with Town Treasurer of Benton, January 31, 1935 a balance of \$67.97 Trust Funds subject to call of Trustees of Trust Funds for the Town of Benton.

STEPHEN H. DEXTER,

JOHN G. ELLIOTT,

WALTER J. YEATON,

Trustees of Benton Trust Funds

#### AUDITORS REPORT

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I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Clerk, Treasurer, Tax Collector, and all others and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

February 11, 1935

ETHEL A. BOUTIN

# **REPORT FOR BENTON TOWN LIBRARY**

For the Year 1934

Books in	Library January	31,	1935	420
Books in	circulation			210

CATHERINE EASTMAN,

Librarian

## FINANCIAL REPORT OF TRUSTEES

Cash on hand January 31, 1934 \$64.85

Postage paid on books borrowed from State Library Commission 1.35

Cash on hand January 31, 1935

\$63.50

## CATHERINE EASTMAN,

MILDRED ELLIOTT,

LAURA M. NOXON,

Library Trustees

# **Benton School Report**

## District Officers

## School Board

Ira E. Elliott, chairman Mrs. Alexzina Boutin Mrs. Edith J. Yeaton Term expires 1937 Term expires 1936 Term expires 1935

## **Other District Officers**

Mrs. Catherine Eastman		Treasurer
Floyd Hutchins		Auditor
Mrs. Edith J. Yeaton		Clerk
Ira A. Elliott		Moderator
F. Lester Trafton	Superintendent	of Schools

## CERTIFICATE

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

F. LESTER TRAFTON, Superintendent

## IRA E. ELLIOTT,

MRS. ALEXZINA BOUTIN,

MRS. EDITH J. YEATON,

February 1, 1935

School Board

# RECEIPTS 1933-34

State and Federal Aid: Equalization fund for elementary school (from state) \$463.99 National forest reserve (school's half from Selectmen) 30.63	
Total	\$494.62
	φ <b>4</b> 54.02
Income from Local Taxation: (raised by Selectmen) For the support of schools	
1933 appropriation \$756.43	
1932 appropriation 593.73	
Total	\$1,350.16
From Sources Other Than Taxation: Dog Licenses (from Selectmen) \$71.33 Elementary school tuitions 95.00 Income from local trust funds 97.88	
Total	\$264.21
Total receipts from all sources Cash on hand at beginning of	\$2,108.99
year, July 1, 1933	65.91
GRAND TOTAL	\$2,174.90

# PAYMENTS 1933-34

Administration	
Salaries of district officers	\$30.00
Superintendent's excess salary	57.60
Truant Officer and School Census	5.00
Expenses of administration	11.05
Instruction	
Principal's and teachers' salaries	\$828.00
Text books	21.36
Scholars' supplies	32.48
Other expenses of instruction	8.65
Operation and Maintenance of School Pl	ant
Janitor service	<b>\$36</b> .00
Water, light, janitor's supplies	10.05
Minor repairs and expenses	5.00
Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activitie	a
Medical inspection, Health supervision	a \$ 44.14 369.00
Transportation of pupils High school and academy tuition	462.68
Elementary school tuition	147.00
Enementary school cuttion	
Fixed Charges	
Tax for state wide supervision	
(\$2 per capita)	\$66.00
Total payments for all purposes	\$2,134.01
Total cash on hand at end of	
year (June 30, 1934)	40.89
GRAND TOTAL	\$2,174.90

#### ANNUAL REPORT OF THE OFFICERS

## **BALANCE SHEET**

# ASSETS

## June 30, 1934

Total Assets	\$469.46
Town appropriation 1933	428.57
Balance June 30, 1934 Accounts due to district:	\$ 40.89
Cash on hand.	

Grand Total

## LIABILITIES

## June 30, 1934

Roscoe Tewksbury, 4 cords wood	\$32.00
Total Liabilities Excess of Assets over Liabilities	\$32.00 437.46
Grand Total	\$469.46

#### AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Benton, N. H., of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1934, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

July 2, 1934

## FLOYD HUTCHINS, Auditor

\$469.46

## ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

## Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1934

## School District of Benton

## SUMMARY:

Cash on hand June 30, 1933		
(Treasurer's bank balance)		\$65.91
Received from Selectmen, Appropriations for current year & Balance previous appropriations Dog Tax Income from trust funds	•	
Received from State Treasurer (State or Federal Aid) Received from all other sources	463.99 125.63	
		\$2,108.99
Total amount available for fiscal y (Balance and Receipts) Less school board orders paid	ear	2,174.90 2,134.01
Balance on hand as of June 30, 193 (Treasurer's bank balance)	4	\$ 40.89

## MARGARET E. ELLIOTT,

#### June 30, 1934

District Treasurer

### **REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT**

#### **OF SCHOOLS**

#### To the School Board and Citizens of Benton:

I herewith present my first annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

In the reorganization of the supervisory unions of the State last May Benton was taken from the Haverhill Union and added to the Lisbon Union. This union, now consists of the following towns or districts: Benton, Easton, Franconia, Landaff, Lincoln, Lisbon Special, Lisbon Town, Lyman and Sugar Hill.

The total school enrollment for 1933-34 was 41. The number of non-resident pupils was three. In addition to those in the town school, the district paid tuition for four elementary and six high school pupils who attended school in other towns. The percent of attendance was 86.68, and the number of cases of tardiness 44. The present enrollment of the school is 40. It has been necessary to purchase five more desks to accommodate all these pupils. This is the largest rural school in my union and much too large for one teacher. Miss Holmes is doing a good job of teaching in a very difficult situation.

Mr. Janes decided last year to introduce the Gates-Huber system of reading in the first three grades. This is one of the best reading systems in the country and should improve the teaching of reading in your school. I have bought new histories for the fourth and sixth grades, new geographies for the fifth grade, and a new wall clock. There are still a number of old and worn-out books which should be replaced next year. Your greatest need in the way of equipment is more blackboard space.

It is very desirable to continue to qualify for state aid. The amount received from the state this year was \$416.93. Next year's allotment should be more than this.

Respectfully submitted,

F. LESTER TRAFTON

#### SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1935-36

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, 1935.

## **Detailed Statement of Expenditures**

Support of Schools:	
Teachers' Salaries	864.00
Text Books	35.00
Scholars' Supplies	40.00
Flags and Appurtenances	5.00
Other Expenses of Instruction	5.00
Janitor Service	36.00
Fuel	35.00
Water, Light, Janitors' Supplies	10.00
Minor Repairs and Expenses	25.00
Health Supervision (Medical Inspection)	46.00
Transportation of Pupils	288.00
Payment of Elementary Tuitions	72.00
Other Special Activities	5.00
	\$1,466.00
Other Statutory Requirements Salaries of District Officers	
(Fixed by District)	\$ 30.00
Truant Officer and School Census	
(Fixed by District)	6.00
Payment of Tuitions in High Schools an	
Academies (Estimated by Board)	300.00

OF THE TOWN OF BENTON 1934-35	37
Superintendent's Excess Salary (Fixed by Supervisory Union)	38.64
Per Capita Tax (Reported by State Treas.) Other obligations	90.00 20.00
	\$484.64
Total amount required to meet School Board's Budget	\$1,950.64
Estimated Income of District	
Balance June 30, 1935 (Estimate)	\$100.00
State Aid (December 1935 Allotment)	500.00
Dog Tax (Estimate)	30.00
Income from Trust Funds (Estimate)	95.00
Elementary School Tuition Receipts (Est.)	72.00
Deduct Total Estimated Income (not raised by taxation)	\$797.00
Assessment required to Balance School Board's Budget	\$1,153.64
IRA E. ELLIOTT,	
EDITH J. YEATON,	
ALEXZINA BOUTIN,	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	ool Board
February 1, 1935, Benton, N. H.	
\$3.50 per \$1,000 of taxable inventory is required by law.	minimum

To apply for state aid \$916.55 must be raised for elementary schools.

### Births Registered in the Town of Benton, N. H., For the Year Ending January 31, 1935

Marion June Aremburg, born July 6, 1934, 8th child, living, female, white; father's name, Leroy H. Aremburg, occupation, laborer, tirthplace of father, Berlin, N. H.; maiden name of mother, Evelyn P. Wilson, birthplace of mother, Shelburn, N. H.

Betty Lou Elliott, born September 28, 1934, 11th child, living, female, white; father's name, John G. Elliott, occupation, laborer, birthplace of father, Benton, N. H.; maiden name of mother, Mildred A. Ball, birthplace of mother, Landaff, N. H.

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# Marriages Registered in the Town of Benton, N. H., For the Year Ending January 31, 1935

Stephen H. Dexter and Carrie Kellum, married at Haverhill, N. H., by Rev. B. F. McIntire, clergyman; residence of groom, Benton, N. H., age 62; occupation, farmer, born at Liston, N. H., widower, second marriage; father's name, Sylvester W. Dexter, mother's name, Harriet Clark. Residence of bride, Benton, N. H., age 62, occupation, housewife, born in Canada, widow, third marriage; father's name, John Lynaugh, mother's name, Bridget Cassidy.

# Deaths Registered in the Town of Benton, N. H., For the Year Ending January 31, 1935

Herman A. Morrill, died April 12, 1934; age 71 years, 1 month, 20 days; born at Barnston, Quebec, white, single; father's name, Alfred Morrill, maiden name of mother, Lucy Wheeler; cause of death, accidental drowning.

Evie F. Bailey, died May 1, 1934; age 78 years, 7 months, 27 days; born at Lisbon, N. H., white, widow; father's name, Welton B. Morse; maiden name of mother, Laura A. Townsend; cause of death, arteris sclerosis and fracture of hip.

Carl B. Chamberlain, died May 18, 1934; age 44 years, 2 months, 2 days; born at Worcester, Mass., white, married; father's name, Charles E. Chamberlain; maiden name of mother, Rebecca Jackson; cause of death, pulmonary tuberculosis.

Ethelyn B. Lane, died May 25, 1934; age 29 yrs., ? months, 5 days; born at Woodsville, N. H., white, single; father's name, Wade Lane; maiden name of mother, Marion Howe; cause of death, pulmonary tuberculosis.

Natalie Olson, died August 10, 1934; age 23 yrs., 7 months, 27 days; born at Lincoln, N. H., white, married; father's name, Archie Therrien; maiden name of mother, Eileen Pickford; cause of death, pulmonary tuberculosis.

Philip Corneau, died December 12, 1934; age 25 years, 5 months, 13 days; born at Fall River, Mass., white, married; father's name, David Corneau; maiden name of mother, Ida Micheau; cause of death, tuberculosis empyema.

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct according to the best of knowledge and belief. FLOYD J. HUTCHINS, Town Clerk



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