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ANNUAL REPORTS

of the Town Officers

of

Temple, N. H.

*For the year
ending January 31*

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Warrant for Annual Meeting

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Temple in the County
of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in
Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Temple on Tuesday, the 8th 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 choose one member of the board of Trustees of Trust Funds of the town to serve three years.
4. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for highways and bridges.
5. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the removal of snow.
6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200. for state aid maintenance the state to give \$200.
7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600. for trunk line maintenance the state to give \$300.
8. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$436.50 for state aid Construction the state to give \$436.
9. To see if the town will vote to complete the state aid road from Temple to the New Ipswich line this year and to raise and appropriate money for the same.

10. To consider the matter of bringing electricity into the town and see what action the town will take to this end and what sum of money shall be raised therefor.

11. To see if the town will vote to buy a tractor equipped for snow removal, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

12. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$150 to be used with the amount on hand to complete wall around new cemetery.

13. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

14. To see what sum of money the town will raise for support of library.

15. To see what sum of money the town will raise for Memorial Day.

16. To see if the town will vote to accept the sum of \$100 for the permanent maintenance of the D. C. Bragdon cemetery lot.

17. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this seventeenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty-seven.

GEORGE W. QUINN
 ERVIN C. ROCKWOOD
 GEO. H. FISH

Selectmen of Temple

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

GEORGE W. QUINN
 ERVIN C. ROCKWOOD
 GEO. H. FISH

Selectmen of Temple

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

For the Year Ending January 31, 1927

Valuation April 1, 1926

Land and buildings	\$259,215 00	
Horses	6,300 00	
Asses and Mules	100 00	
Cows	5,985 00	
Other neat stock	910 00	
Sheep	354 00	
Hogs	40 00	
Fowls	2,585 50	
Vehicles	100 00	
Portable mills	600 00	
Wood and lumber	11,948 00	
Gas pumps and tanks	700 00	
Stock in trade	2,800 00	
Mills and machinery	200 00	
		\$291,837 50

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1926

Town charges	\$1,000 00	
Highways and bridges	1,100 00	
Snow removal	500 00	
State aid maintenance	175 00	
Trunk line maintenance	600 00	
State aid construction	456 00	
Library	75 00	
Memorial	100 00	
Road machine	400 00	
Water system	1,000 00	
Schools	2,983 50	
State tax	720 00	
County tax	541 15	
		\$9,650 65
Overlay	91 17	
		\$9,741 82
Added poll tax		2 00
		\$9,743 82
Total tax levy		246 00
123 poll taxes at \$2.00		
		\$9,497 82
National Bank tax		13 00
		\$9,484 82

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash in hands of Treasurer	\$1,415 85	
Joint highway accounts	17 82	
Bounties	74 20	
County Poor	196 00	
Taxes not collected:		
Levy for 1924	25 73	
Levy for 1925	80 85	
Levy for 1926	1,468 63	
Bridge plank on hand	209 30	
Total assets		\$3,488 38
Excess of liabilities over assets		1,592 39
		\$5,080 77
Net debt Jan. 31, 1927	\$1,592 39	
Net debt Jan. 31, 1926	1,139 81	
Increase of debt	\$452 58	

LIABILITIES

Due to schools from dog licenses	\$130 00	
Due to schools, balance appropriations	983 50	
State and town joint highway accounts:		
Unexpended balance in state treasury	17 82	
Unexpended balance in town treasury	14 75	
Outstanding note on temporary loan	1,600 00	
Cemetery Fund notes	2,196 00	
Unexpended appropriation for cemetery wall	138 70	
		\$5,080 77

Report of Selectmen

For the Year Ending January 31, 1927

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Town officers' salaries	\$485 92
Town officers' expenses	259 37
Town hall expenses	403 27
Police duty	26 50
Fire department	22 35
Vital statistics	75
State aid maintenance	321 15
Trunk line maintenance including snow removal	2,370 45
Town maintenance including snow removal	3,251 14
State aid construction	849 26
General expenses of highway dept.	70 59
New road machine	386 73
Library	75 00
County poor	196 00
Memorial Day	100 00
Cemeteries	39 18
Dog license tags	2 76
Interest on temporary loans	146 15
Interest paid on trust funds	50 25
Payments on temporary loans	8,650 00
State tax	720 00
County tax	541 15
Payments to School District	4,683 00
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Total Selectmen's Orders	\$23,650 97

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

G. W. Quinn, Selectman	\$46 67	
Ervin C. Rockwood, Selectman	50 75	
Geo. H. Fish, Selectman	88 00	
W. B. Mansfield for Auditors	10 50	
W. B. Mansfield, Tax Collector	75 00	
Walter E. Hayward, Town Clerk	60 00	
W. W. Colburn, Town Treasurer	60 00	
J. W. Edwards, Supervisor	53 00	
O. J. Fiske, Moderator	12 00	
Frank E. Cutter for Ballot Clerk	30 00	
	\$485 92	

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Selectmen, meeting tax commission	\$26 30	
Road Agent, meeting road commission	5 00	
Geo. M. Stevens, bonding town officers	29 50	
Town Clerk, stationery	2 30	
Cabinet Press, printing town reports	139 75	
W. B. Mansfield, tax bills and postage	14 10	
O. J. Fiske, trustees expenses	3 50	
Ezra M. Smith, legal advice	5 00	
Selectmen's expenses	33 92	
	\$259 37	

TOWN HALL EXPENSE

Henry Hayward, insurance	\$87 50
Modern Elec. Equipment Co., labor and supplies	6 50

P. F. Sullivan, repairs on stove	1 50	
A. F. Walker & Son, kindling	2 00	
O. J. Fiske, water system	90 27	
Geo. H. Fish, supplies	8 25	
F. Hedman, supplies	49 30	
F. Hedman, paint for curtain	9 29	
Bourgault Bros., water for Delco	1 00	
W. H. Davidson, wood	8 00	
F. Hedman, wood	18 00	
C. P. Hicks, painting curtain	25 00	
E. W. Davidson, sawing wood	4 50	
Henry E. Fish, janitor	45 75	
Flora E. Clement, janitor	18 00	
Addie L. Rockwood, dishes	11 52	
Fuller Brush Co.	10 20	
Parkhurst Bros., railing	6 69	
	<hr/>	\$403 27

LIBRARY

May L. Hayward, librarian	\$50 00	
Chas. E. Rockwood, books and supplies	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$75 00

VITAL STATISTICS

B. D. Pease, M. D., births and deaths		\$ 75
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MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation		\$100 00
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CEMETERIES

Walter E. Hayward, labor		\$39 18
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COUNTY POOR

Children's Aid Society	\$196 00
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GENERAL EXPENSES OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

O. J. Fiske, watering tub	\$3 00	
E. W. Davidson, watering tub	3 00	
Guide board	4 50	
Repairs on plows	20 00	
N. E. Road Machine Co., repairs on old machine	40 09	
	<hr/>	\$70 59

ROAD MACHINE APPROPRIATION

N. E. Road Machine Co., new ma- chine	\$335 00	
Selectmen and road agent, trip to Boston	35 50	
Freight and cartage	16 23	
	<hr/>	\$386 73

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Martin Keenan, sheriff	\$16 00	
J. W. Edwards	5 50	
W. B. Mansfield	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$26 50

FIRE DEPARTMENT

W. J. Cleary, acid	\$1 35	
F. Hedman, chemicals	6 88	
State Forester, fire extinguishers	14 12	
	<hr/>	\$22 35

UNCLASSIFIED

Geo. J. Meyer Co., dog tags	\$2 76
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STATE AID MAINTENANCE

Geo. W. Quinn, patrolman		\$321 15
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STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

J. W. Edwards, foreman		\$849 26
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TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE

Geo W. Quinn, patrolman	\$1,589 89	
J. V. Tuttle, foreman	438 87	
T. H. Kepple, foreman	68 88	
	<hr/>	\$2,097 64

TRUNK LINE SNOW REMOVAL

Geo. W. Quinn, foreman	\$123 78	
D. E. Wyman, tractor	102 70	
Martin Haefeli, tractor	46 33	
	<hr/>	\$272 81

TOWN HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

Highways and bridges	\$1,973 99	
Snow removal, Feb. payment	456 24	
Snow removal from Feb. 26 to Jan. 31, 1927	820 91	
	<hr/>	\$3,251 14

OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS

State tax	\$720 00	
County tax	541 15	
Grace K. Young, school app.	3,683 00	
Grace K. Young, water app.	1,000 00	
	<hr/>	\$5,944 15

TEMPORARY LOAN PAYMENTS

First National Bank, Peterborough		\$8,650 00
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INTEREST

Interest on temporary loan notes	\$146 15	
Interest on trust funds	50 25	
	<hr/>	\$196 40
Total Selectmen's Orders		<hr/> \$23,650 97

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. QUINN

ERVIN C. ROCKWOOD

GEO. H. FISH

Selectmen of Temple

We have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct.

ABBIE E. KENDALL

HELEN L. ROCKWOOD

GEORGE H. WHEELER

JOINT FUNDS BALANCE SHEET

STATE AID MAINTENANCE

	Town	State	Total
1926 appropriation	\$175 00	\$175 00	\$350 00
Share of expenditures	165 83	165 82	331 65
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Balances	\$9 17	\$9 18	\$18 35

TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE

	Town	State	Total
1925 balance	\$15 73	\$78 65	\$94 38
1926 appropriation	600 00	3000 00	3600 00
Total fund	615 73	3078 65	3694 38
Share of expenditures	614 97	3074 84	3689 81
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Balances	\$ 76	\$3 81	\$4 57

STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

	Town	State	Total
1925 balance	\$13 92	\$8 36	\$22 28
1926 appropriation	456 00	456 00	912 00
Total fund	469 92	464 36	934 28
Share of expenditures	465 10	459 53	924 63
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Balances	\$4 82	\$4 83	\$9 65

Report of Town Treasurer

RECEIPTS

From Local Taxes:

Total 1926 property tax	\$9484 82	
Less 1926 uncollected	1414 63	
1926 property taxes collected		\$8070 19
1926 poll taxes collected, 96 at \$2		192 00
Uncollected from 1924	\$586 10	
Less uncollected 1924	25 73	
1924 taxes actually collected		560 37
Uncollected from 1925	1211 16	
Less uncollected 1925	80 85	
1925 taxes actually collected		1130 31
National Bank stock taxes		13 00

Total of above collections		\$9965 87
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From State:

State aid highway maintenance	\$155 32	
State aid highway construction	384 16	
Trunk line maintenance	1482 67	
Trunk line, snow removal	74 51	
Classified highways	965 27	
Interest and dividend tax	23 18	
Savings Bank tax	182 10	

Total from state		\$3267 21
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From County:

For support of poor		\$192 33
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From Local Sources Except Taxes:

Dog licenses	\$130 00	
Rent of town hall	77 00	
Interest on 1924 taxes	129 00	
Interest on 1925 taxes	79 81	
Interest on 1926 taxes	10 80	
Bridge planks used by road agent	95 00	
Bridge planks sold E. G. Young	6 73	
Interest on deposit	6 17	
Net income from town scales	1 57	
Motor vehicle registration permits	319 95	
Electric current furnished chapel	10 00	
Candidate's fee	2 00	
	<hr/>	\$868 03

From Loans in Anticipation of Taxes:

Mar. 27 First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	\$700 00	
Apr. 24 First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	500 00	
May 13, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	400 00	
May 29, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	2800 00	
June 10, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	400 00	
June 18, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	300 00	
June 26, First Nat'l Bank Peterboro	150 00	
Sept. 25, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	1600 00	
Oct. 23, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	200 00	
Nov. 27, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	2200 00	
Dec. 27, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	1000 00	
	<hr/>	\$10250 00

Total receipts from all sources	\$24543 44
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1926	523 38
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Grand total	\$25066 82

PAYMENTS

Temporary Loans and Interest:

Sept. 27, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	\$717 50
Oct. 23, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	512 50
Nov. 13, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	410 00
Nov. 27, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	2870 00
Dec. 10, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	410 00
Dec. 18, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	307 50
Dec. 23, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	201 56
Dec. 27, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	153 75
Dec. 27, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	2209 17
Jan. 27, First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro	1004 17
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	\$8796 15
All other payments (see selectmen's report)	14854 82
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Total payments for all purposes	\$23650 97
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1927	1415 85
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Grand total	\$25066 82

Respectfully submitted,

WILL W. COLBURN

Treasurer

We have examined the foregoing accounts and found them correct and properly vouched.

ABBIE E. KENDALL

HELEN L. ROCKWOOD

GEORGE H. WHEELER

Auditors

Report of Road Agent

March:		
Bridges		\$36 00
April:		
Culverts	\$81 12	
Ditch work	13 99	
	<hr/>	\$95 11
May:		
Bridges	\$182 51	
Culverts	120 15	
Brush	9 25	
Road machine	481 00	
Carting	62 00	
	<hr/>	\$854 91
June:		
Road machine	\$57 00	
Carting	116 93	
Culverts	35 75	
	<hr/>	\$209 68
July:		
Carting	\$73 85	
Road machine	66 94	
	<hr/>	\$140 79
August:		
Carting		\$153 62

September:	
Carting	\$395 42
October:	
Carting	\$88 46
Total	<u>\$1973 99</u>
Carting	\$890 28
Road machine	604 94
Culverts	237 02
Bridges	218 51
Ditches	13 99
Brush	9 25
	<u>\$1973 99</u>

JOHN W. EDWARDS

SNOW BILL REPORT FOR 1926, JAN. 29, 1927

February	\$456 24
March	286 29
April	43 15
May	18 69
June	1 17
December	11 93

January 31, 1927:	
A. H. Todd	\$180 00
All other bills	279 68
	<u>\$459 68</u>
Total	<u>\$1277 15</u>

JOHN W. EDWARDS

Report of Trustees of Trust Funds

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Liberty Bonds at par	\$8150 00	
Cash on hand	269 51	
		\$8419 51

LIABILITIES

Bragg Fund, lectures	\$3500 00	
Common Fund	2000 00	
Buswell Fund	2500 00	
Accrued interest on same	364 98	
Surplus	54 53	
		\$8419 51

CASH STATEMENT

DEBIT

Feb. 8, 1926, cash balance	\$171 80	
Coupons and interest Feb. 1, 1926 to Feb. 1, 1927	361 27	
\$700 Liberty Bond sold	711 03	
		\$1244 10

CREDIT

Paid for Lecture Fund	\$150 00	
Paid for mowing common	13 56	
Paid for water supply for the common	811 03	
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1927	269 51	
		\$1244 10

JAMES BRAGG LECTURE COURSE

JAN. 31, 1927

Balance door receipts 1925-1926	\$7 41	
Balance door receipts 1926	35 05	
		\$42 46

CREDIT

Paid:

Appleton Inn	\$12 00	
G. H. Churchill, transportation	4 00	
Henry Fish, transportation	2 00	
Cabinet, printing	2 75	
May Hayward	4 00	
		\$24 75

Balance		\$17 71
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CEMETERY FUND

	Exp'd.	Bal.
Whiting	\$3 50	\$105 46
Blood	8 00	503 39
Buss	2 00	111 89
Edwards	5 00	241 27
D. Felt	4 50	131 81
Spaulding	1 50	49 73
L. Felt	1 50	51 75
Ball	1 50	52 29
Miles	1 50	153 61
Colburn	3 00	109 41
Farrar	1 00	56 23
Walton	3 00	110 03
Farwell	1 50	52 08

Young	3 00	102 19
Huntley & Wilson	5 00	207 58
Fish	1 25	51 23
Bragg	3 50	106 05
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	\$50 25	\$2196 00

WATER COMMISSIONERS REPORT JAN. 1927

Received from Trustees Trust Fund	\$811 03	
Received from Town Temple	90 27	
Received from school meeting appro.	1000 00	
	<hr/>	\$1901 30
Paid for pipe material and labor		1890 01
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As per check book, Bal. on hand		\$11 29
Insurance check		5 00

ORLO FISKE

Agent for the Water Com.

We, the undersigned auditors of the town of Temple, have examined the accounts of the Trustees of the Trust Funds of the town of Temple and find them correct and properly vouched.

ABBIE E. KENDALL
HELEN L. ROCKWOOD
GEORGE H. WHEELER

Report of Town Clerk

Paid to W. W. Colburn, Town treasurer	
On 44 dogs licenses	\$130 00
On 74 auto registrations from Feb. 2, 1926 to Feb. 1, 1927	\$319 95

WALTER E. HAYWARD
Town Clerk

We have examined the foregoing accounts and find them
correct.

ABBIE E. KENDALL
HELEN L. ROCKWOOD
GEORGE H. WHEELER

Temple Library

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT FOR 1926

We have had several gifts of books. Some from the New Ipswich Library. Mr. William Tobey gave one and Dr. William Bancroft Hill of Vassar College sent us another lot of "Everyman's Library."

He also continues sending Asia, Natural History Magazine and Mrs. Hill sends us Bird Lore and Everyland.

Fifteen new books have been purchased already and more are coming.

MARY L. HAYWARD
Librarian

LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT

DR.

March 1926, C. E. Rockwood		
To balance in treasury	\$33 25	
To appropriation	25 00	
		\$58 25
Expended		35 55
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Balance in treasury Mar. 1, 1927		\$22 70

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Mar. 22 paid Springfield Book House	\$16 22	
Literary Digest	4 00	
Sept. 14, Library Book House	4 44	
Feb. 10, 1927, paid Philip Morris	10 89	
		\$35 55

C. E. ROCKWOOD
Treasurer

Warrant for School Meeting

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of
Temple qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 8th day of March 1927, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.
9. To transact any further business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Temple this seventeenth day of February 1927.

MAUDE E. FISKE
SUSAN P. MAYNARD
SADIE L. HOLT
School Board

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

Our superintendent has submitted a very complete report so it seems needless for us to repeat.

Several changes were made this year. Miss Pingree remained with us, and Miss Worledge, a Plymouth Normal graduate took Miss Hawkins' place. Both teachers are doing very satisfactory work.

Miss Bowden our new music teacher comes highly recommended and is doing fine work.

The school committee appreciate our new water supply and feel that it is a permanent success.

We are continuing our hot lunches, as in previous winter terms, and they seem to be enjoyed and satisfactory. We wish to thank the teachers and mothers for their assistance in making them a success.

Respectfully submitted

MAUDE E. FISKE
SUSAN P. MAYNARD
SADIE L. HOLT

REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER

July 1, 1925 to July 1, 1926

PAYMENTS

Salaries of District Officers:

Auditors	\$5 00
Maude E. Fiske, chairman school Board	30 00
Susan P. Maynard, member school board	20 00
Flora E. Clement, member school board	20 00
Grace K. Young, treasurer school board	25 00
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	\$100 00

Superintendent's excess salary		\$84 85
Census enumerator		\$4 50
Expenses of Administration:		
Share of office expense	\$35 00	
Auto for school board to attend district meeting	4 00	
Telephone, postage and share of supt's traveling expenses to conference	20 90	
	<hr/>	\$59 90
Text books		\$78 73
Scholars' supplies		\$70 91
Flag		\$8 50
Other expenses of Instruction		
This includes reference books, school papers, tests		\$27 83
Janitor		\$182 50
Fuel:		
Joseph Bernier, coal	\$255 52	
A. Holt, 5 cords wood	40 00	
C. P. Hicks, kindling	2 75	
E. W. Davidson, sawing wood	7 50	
	<hr/>	\$305 77
Water and Janitor Supplies:		
Bessie Hayward, estate	\$10 00	
Janitors' supplies	17 00	
	<hr/>	\$27 00
Repairs:		
F. E. Clement, cleaning	\$15 80	
F. E. Cutter, varnishing desks and material and oiling floor	17 35	
D. P. Maynard, labor	31 44	
Metallic Equipment Co., material for repairing stairs	87 80	
Broderick repairs	8 20	
	<hr/>	\$160 59
Medical Inspection:		
Dr. Pease	\$15 00	
Red Cross nursing assn., nurse	5 00	
N. J. Quigley, auto for nurse	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$24 00

Transportation:	
George Wheeler	\$566 50
George Fish	115 50
D. P. Maynard	19 50
Nehe Pajanen	61 50
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	\$763 00
High School Tuition	\$327 80
Elementary Tuition	\$52 50
Hot lunches	\$1 16
New Equipment:	
Sand Table	\$4 00
Force pump	5 12
Window guards	4 40
Clock	8 55
Sash	7 00
Supplies	5 49
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	\$34 56
State tax	\$118 00
Old bill	\$5 00
Teachers' Salaries	
Mabel Pingree	\$936 00
Marguerite Hawkins	936 00
Harriett Tibbets	145 00
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	\$2017 00
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	\$4454 10

PAYMENTS July 1, 1926 to January 31, 1927

Salaries	\$95 00
Supt's excess salary	85 71
Census enumerator	4 50
Expenses of administration	53 80
Teachers' salaries	1035 00
Text books	133 68

Scholars' supplies	55 23	
Other expenses of instruction	23 79	
Janitor	100 00	
Fuel	306 86	
Janitor's supplies	19 80	
Repairs	65 08	
Medical Inspection	23 00	
Transportation	553 50	
High School Tuition	151 40	
Elementary Tuition	28 50	
New Equipment	34 75	
New water system	1000 00	
State Tax	124 00	
Old bill	40 00	
	<hr/>	\$3933 60

REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER

July 1, 1925 to July 1, 1926

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand	\$776 57	
Selectmen, by taxation	3287 50	
State Board of Education	1903 60	
Dog tax	95 50	
Grass and paper	2 75	
Interest from bank	10 90	
	<hr/>	\$6076 82

PAYMENTS

Orders from School Board	\$4454 10	
Cash on hand	1622 72	
	<hr/>	\$6076 82

GRACE K. YOUNG

Treasurer

We have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct.

ABBIE KENDALL
HELEN L. ROCKWOOD
GEORGE H. WHEELER

Statement from July 1, 1926 to Jan. 31, 1927

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand	\$1622 72	
Water supply	1000 00	
Schools	2000 00	
Interest	8 58	
Grass	2 00	
		————— \$4633 30

PAYMENTS

School Board orders	\$3933 60	
Balance on hand	699 70	
		————— \$4633 30

GRACE K. YOUNG
Treasurer

BUDGET FOR 1927-1928

Estimated expenditures for the school year July 1, 1927, to June 30, 1928, and recommendation of sums to be raised by taxation for the support of schools and payment of statutory obligations.

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES

Teachers' salaries, including music supervisor	\$2200 00	
Textbooks	75 00	
Scholars' supplies	65 00	
Flags and appurtenances	10 00	
Other expenses of instruction	30 00	
Janitor service	182 50	
Fuel	300 00	
Water, light and janitors' supplies	25 00	
Minor repairs and expenses	100 00	
Health supervision and medical inspection	50 00	
Transportation of pupils	1000 00	
Elementary tuitions	57 00	
Other special activities (school lunch)	5 00	
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Total estimated cost of maintaining schools		\$4099 50

ESTIMATED REVENUE

State aid	\$1900 00	
Estimated balance on July 1, 1927	500 00	
	<hr/>	\$2400 00
Sum recommended to be raised by taxation		<hr/> \$1699 50
<p>(A tax of .005 on the equalized valuation is necessary to qualify for state aid, \$1598.63)</p>		

Additional sums recommended to be raised by taxation:	
For salaries of district officers	\$100 00
For superintendent's excess salary	85 00
For truant officer and school census	10 00
For expenses of administration	60 00
For new equipment	25 00
For per capita tax (statutory)	114 00
For high school tuitions (statutory)	720 00
	\$1114 00
Total sum recommended to be raised by taxation	
	\$2813 50

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School Board

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Temple:

I submit my fourth annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

Two changes are to be reported in the teaching corps since my last report. We are happy to retain the services of Miss Pingree in the primary grades. Miss Hawkins accepted a school in her home town, and we have secured Miss Mabel Worledge, a graduate of Plymouth Normal School last June, who is doing good work in the grammar grades. Miss Blanche Bowden, a graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music last June, is the Music Supervisor and is doing well.

The total enrollment has increased this year to 56, since there were no pupils to graduate last June. Average attendance for the school year 1925-'26 was not quite so good as the previous year, and over 3% less than the state average. This year it is much better up to this time.

SUPERVISION

The statistical report following shows 38 supervisory visits made during the year, as compared with 48 the previous year. Not all of the supervisory work is done in actual school room visits but considerable is done by means of standard tests. The results of a series of standard tests and remedial teaching in language errors carried on last year illustrates what we are trying to do by this means. The test was given in October 1925 to all fourth grade children. Specific suggestions were given the teachers for remedial teaching and the test repeated in December. After another period of remedial teaching a test was given in March, and again in May. Following the summer vacation and a period without specific instruction on these particular errors, the test was given again in November 1926. The table below shows the percentage of all fourth grade children in the district who scored A, B, C, D, and E. In each test the gain was steady throughout the period of teaching, and was permanent as indicated by the test given six months later.

LANGUAGE ERROR TESTS—FOURTH GRADE 1925-'26

Percent scoring:	A	B	C	D	E
October 1925	27	21	26	17	9
December 1925	40	28	20	11	1
March 1926	59	25	10	5	1
May 1926	71	20	7	2	0
November 1926	73	19	5	3	0

MEDICAL INSPECTION

The regular medical inspection by Dr. Pease showed the following:

Number of pupils examined	55
Defective vision	1
Defective Teeth	26
Enlarged tonsils	5
Unvaccinated	1

No record is available of treatments secured since the previous examination, because there was no school nurse employed. The Wilton District Nurse has done some follow up work this year and will continue it in the spring.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

The purpose of the revision of the School Laws in 1919 was to equalize school opportunities. School attendance is only one aspect of this problem but it is an important one. Schools are required to be open at least thirty-six weeks each year, and in the school year 1925-'26 no school in the state fell short of this requirement. However, the actual time schools were in session in the 252 cities and towns varied from 328 to 368 half days. Schools were in session 351 or more half days in 48 cities and towns, but 16 of these have 37 or 38 weeks instead of 36. At the other extreme were 40 towns with from 328 to 349 half days. The remaining 164 towns varied from 341 to 350 half days of school out of a possible 360. The six towns in this supervisory Union were in this middle group. The average in Temple was 341.

I proposed to the teachers at the opening of schools last fall that all days lost on account of sickness, weather conditions, etc., during this school year should be made up, so that we might be sure of at least 350 half days actually in session. In many cases we hope to exceed that number. Some School Boards are now making contracts with their teachers calling for 360 half days with allowance for Teachers' Institutes only. This is one way to increase school opportunities without increasing the cost.

CHARACTER EDUCATION

This section is based on a chapter in the biennial report of the State Board of Education, just published.

We have read and heard much discussion in the past few years on the prevalence of lawlessness and immorality. This has always been so, for every generation believes that young people are more thoughtless and less law abiding than formerly. So called "crime waves" have swept our country from time to time, but there is nothing to indicate that they have affected the young people in any greater proportion than adults. On the other hand it is a matter of record that the number of misdemeanors and petty infractions of the law by children has decreased year by year. Exact comparison is difficult but I am convinced that, if we could make an accurate comparison of the children of today with those of say fifty or one hundred years ago as to their behavior in school, on the street, or elsewhere, such comparison would be very favorable to the present generation.

Professor Bagley of Columbia University has attempted to determine the relative standing of the states of the Union as to morality, and has reported the following tests:

1. He finds that in the list of 48 states New Hampshire stands second (being surpassed only by Vermont) in having the smallest proportion of its population committed to the federal penitentiaries.
2. New Hampshire stands first in the list in having the smallest proportion of its resident population committed to state prisons.
3. New Hampshire stands first in the list in having the smallest ratio of homicides to the population.
4. New Hampshire stands third in the list (being surpassed only by New York and Nevada) in having the smallest proportion of drafted soldiers free from social diseases at the time of registration. Many other comparisons might be suggested but so far as I know have not been accurately investigated.

Some people, disturbed by what they believe to be an unusual laxity in morals, have insisted that the remedy lies in the introduction of religion into the schools. There has never been a law in New Hampshire requiring instruction in

religion or the use of the Bible in the schools. But by common custom some part of the school day in practically every school in the state has been devoted to exercises of a devotional character, including the use of the great psalms and prayers and daily reading from the Bible. There is no doubt that these exercises are valuable in the development of character and they should be continued as one of the means by which the schools can encourage good behavior, but we must always guard against the use of any material that favors any one religious belief or creed above another.

As a matter of fact an increasing amount of attention is given in our public schools to definite instruction in the civic and personal virtues. Many outlines have been prepared and used for this purpose, and a new and more comprehensive program in character education has just been prepared by a committee of experienced public school teachers in this state, which is about to be placed in the hands of the teachers.

However effectively the principles of character may be imparted by direct instruction we recognize that much, if not more, depends upon the children's conscious or unconscious imitation of parents, teachers and associates. In the selection of teachers high moral character is a prime consideration. No teacher can be certified to teach in New Hampshire until her character is vouched for by dependable people, and her certificate may be cancelled at any time for immorality.

"Character depends upon ideals, but in its expression it is shown by daily reactions and habits. Our schools inculcate character by daily routine and effective administration, by insistence on regular and punctual attendance, upon diligence and an attitude of respect, by arithmetic and history, and organized play in which teachers and pupils work together."

FINANCES

The Budget submitted for 1927-'28 differs from that submitted a year ago in only three items of importance, with slight changes in several others. Transportation is estimated

at \$100 more because of an increase in compensation that was approved and covered by state aid. The allotment of state aid for next year, after deduction for balance left on hand last year, is about \$100 more than the allotment for this year. The cash balance in the hands of the school treasurer has been in the neighborhood of \$700 for the past two years, and will probably be as much as that this year, so that it seems proper to allow \$500 of that to reduce the amount to be raised by taxation this year. The largest item of increase in the budget is the estimate for high school tuitions, and that is because we have a good sized class to graduate from the eighth grade next June, all of whom have indicated their intention of going to high school in the fall.

RECOMMENDATIONS

There is need of some minor repair work, as usual; painting on some parts of the exterior, and replacement of curtains in the grammar room, and some of the desks are getting rough on the top and should be refinished. Otherwise the school is well equipped and in good condition. The change in provision for water last summer is a great improvement and much appreciated.

In closing I wish to express appreciation of the loyal cooperation and support of the teachers, members of the School Board, and citizens.

Respectfully submitted,
VERNON S. AMES,
Superintendent.

Wilton, N. H., February 12, 1927.

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF TEMPLE FOR THE YEAR

JAN. 1, 1926 to DEC. 31, 1926

Date—January 15, 1926
 Name of Child—Richard Leon Beals
 Place of Birth—Temple
 Male Color White Living
 No. of Children—6
 Name of Father—John F. Beals
 Birthplace of Father—Sherborn, Mass.
 Age of Father—42
 Residence—Temple
 Occupation—Auto repair man
 Maiden Name of Mother—Edith Wilson Dean
 Birthplace of Mother—Nova Scotia
 Age of Mother—29

Date—August 31, 1926
 Name of Child—Christine Florence Young
 Sex Female, Color White, Living
 Number of Children—5
 Name of Father—Martin C. Young
 Birthplace of Father—Roxbury, Mass.
 Age of Father—29
 Residence, Stoneham, Mass.
 Occupation, Merchant
 Maiden Name of Mother—Ethel Boutwell
 Birthplace of Mother—Temple
 Age of Mother—31

Date—July 28, 1926
 Name of Child—Wilfred Colburn Weston
 Place of Birth—Temple
 Sex Male, Color White, Living
 Number of Children—2
 Name of Father—George W. Weston
 Age of Father—28
 Birthplace of Father—Wilton
 Residence—Hancock
 Occupation—Headmaster
 Maiden Name of Mother—Ruth Colburn
 Birthplace of Mother—Temple
 Age of Mother—26

DEATHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF TEMPLE FOR THE YEAR

Jan. 1, 1926 to Dec. 31, 1926

Date of Death—April 16, 1926
 Name of Deceased—Jesse F. Humphreville
 Place of Death—Temple
 Previous residence, Watertown, Mass.
 Age—50 years, 6 months, 27 days
 Place of Birth—Burlington, Mass.
 Date of Birth—Sept. 19, 1875
 Sex Male, Color White, Married
 Cause of Death—Acute Dilation of the Heart
 Name of Father—Samuel B. Humphreville
 Maiden Name of Mother—Ellen Kelley
 Birthplace of Father—Lanesboro, Mass.
 Birthplace of Mother—Arlington, Mass.

Date of Death—Nov. 17, 1926
 Name of Deceased—Eben A. Jowders
 Previous Residence—Salem, Mass.
 Age—90 years, 3 months, and 9 days
 Place of Birth—Hamilton, Mass.
 Date of Birth—Sept. 8, 1836
 Sex Male, Color White, Widower
 Occupation—Shoemaker
 Cause of Death—Apoplexy
 Name of Father—Peter Jowders
 Maiden Name of Mother—Lydia Stanley
 Birthplace of Father—Mass.
 Birthplace of Mother—Beverley, Mass.
 Occupation of Father—Fisherman

I hereby certify that the above records are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WALTER E. HAYWARD
 Town Clerk

BODIES BROUGHT INTO TOWN FOR BURIAL

Lelia A. Heald, March 16, 1926 from Lyndeborough.
 George N. Wilson, May 13, 1926, Hollis, N. H.
 Antony P. Goodyear, June 6, 1926, Belmont, Mass.
 Infant Holt, Oct. 6, 1926, Nashua, N. H.
 Mrs. Ida C. Flagg, Oct. 13, 1926, Nashua, N. H.

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