

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
OFFICERS
OF THE
Town of Hampden

For the Year Ending December 31,
1923

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ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

**Selectmen and Overseers
of the Poor**

**Treasurer, Assessors, School Committee,
Superintendent of Schools, and
Trustees of Public Library**

OF THE

TOWN OF HAMPDEN

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1923

Town Officers

Clerk and Treasurer

CHARLES I. BURLEIGH

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor

NEIL S. KIBBE, Chairman

NELSON M. CAREW

J. J. FLYNN

Assessors

WALTER BARTLETT, Chairman

WALTER TEMPLE

RAYMOND E. KIBBE

School Committee

CHARLES F. MEDICKE, Chairman

ROBERT S. PEASE

L. H. GUPTILL

Trustees of Public Library

ARLINE HOWLETT

ELIZABETH SESSIONS

ELEANOR BURLEIGH

Collector of Taxes

MILES STEVENS

Constables

EDWARD P. LYONS

ROBERT HYDE

L. O. HOWLETT

Cemetery Commissioners

D. L. McCRAY, Chairman

EDWARD GORDON

D. RALPH ISHAM

Auditor

RAYMOND S. SMITH

Tree Warden

GEORGE F. SHAW

Superintendent of Streets

LEROY O. HOWLETT

Forest Fire Warden

JOHN SWENSON

Inspector of Animals

JOHN J. FLYNN

Inspector of Slaughtering

GEORGE F. SHAW

Sealer of Weights and Measures

JOHN SWENSON

Moth Superintendent

EDWARD P. LYONS

Voters Liable for Jury Duty for the Year Beginning**August 1, 1923**

D. RALPH ISHAM

ALEXANDER LARSON

LOUIS E. LAIRD

LUCIAN H. GUPTILL

D. LINCOLN McCRAV

ERNEST W. HOWLETT

E. J. THRESHER

MATTHEW WITKOP

HENRY G. ELY

W. E. TEMPLE

Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden, ss.

To Edward P. Lyons, Constable of the Town of Hampden:

Greeting:—In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hampden, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, on Monday, the fourth day of February, A. D., 1924, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose a Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, who shall be Overseers of the Poor, one School Committee for three years, one Assessor for three years, one Collector of Taxes, three Constables, one Cemetery Commissioner for three years, one Tree Warden for one year, one Library Trustee for three years, and one Auditor for one year. Also to vote on the following question, the ballot to be "Yes" or "No": "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of certain non-intoxicating beverages in this town?" All to be on one ballot. Also to choose all other necessary Town Officers. The polls open at ten-fifteen A. M. and may close at two-fifteen P. M.

Article 3. To hear the annual report of the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, School Committee, Assessors, Tax Collector, Library Trustees, Cemetery Commissioners, Auditor, and any committee whose duty it may be to report at said meeting and act thereon.

Article 4. To determine the method of collecting taxes and direct in regard to the payment of same.

Article 5. To fix the compensation of all Officers elected by the Town, in accordance with section 8, chapter 591, acts 1920.

Article 6. To see what disposition the Town will make of the dog fund now in hands of the Treasurer.

Article 7. To see if the Town will appoint an agent or agents to institute or prosecute or defend suits and actions at law to which the Town may be a party.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,700.00 for the repair and maintenance of Town roads, and instruct the Selectmen to petition and contract with the Commissioners of the Department of Public Works, under the provisions of chapter 81, section 28, General Laws.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$50.00 to be expended by the Trustees for the County Aid to Agriculture for the County of Hampden, in accordance with provisions of sections 40 to 45, chapter 128 of the General Laws of Mass.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,306.56 for Street Lights.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money in accordance with chapter 218, acts of 1920, an act relative to the care of graves of soldiers and sailors.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$221.79 for the suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths.

Article 13. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee of citizens to investigate and report at the next Town Meeting on the possibility of establishing a Town Forest and to appropriate a sum of money for the use of the committee for this purpose.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for fire fighting equipment.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$300.00 in the will of Elmira C. Thompson, as a perpetual fund, the income to be used in the perpetual care of the Betsey Chaffee Heirs' Cemetery lot in the New Cemetery of said Hampden.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase calcium chloride to put on a section of Main Street.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for repairs and expenses of the Town Hall.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to place three street lights on Allen Street and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for an enclosed railing opposite Swenson's blacksmith shop.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$104.17 to pay unpaid bridge bill.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to extend the street lights one light on each line.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to co-operate with the county and state for construction or surfacing a part of Hampden-East Longmeadow Road.

Article 23. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1924 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, any debt or debts incurred under these notes to be paid from the revenue of said financial year.

Article 24. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges the ensuing year and carry into effect any vote or votes passed under the preceding articles, and to appropriate the same; also to vote how much money shall be raised.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting an attested copy thereof at each of the four places designated by the Town. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk at or before the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-first day of January, A. D., 1924.

N. S. KIBBE,
N. M. CAREW,
J. J. FLYNN,
Selectmen of Hampden.

Report of the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor

Contingencies

POSTAGE, STATIONERY, PRINTING, EXPRESS AND TELEPHONES

The Valley Press:	
Town Reports and Ballots.....	\$ 113.00
The Lothrop Press:	
Tax Bills.....	17.64
A. H. Bartlett:	
One dog license book.....	2.44
W. D. McCray:	
Express	.58
John Swenson:	
Express	.73
Miles Stevens:	
Postage	8.53
Neil S. Kibbe:	
Postage, stationery, telephones.....	15.00
Charles I. Burleigh:	
Postage, stationery, telephones.....	26.95
	\$ 184.87

Police

E. P. Lyons.....	\$ 3.00	
Austin Harris.....	3.00	
John Swenson.....	3.00	
	\$	9.00

Elections

Walter Lyons, election officer.....	\$ 2.00	
Louis Fisher, election officer.....	2.00	
Thomas Mahar, election officer.....	2.00	
D. L. McCray, election officer.....	2.00	
Hazel Burleigh, election officer.....	2.00	
E. P. Lyons:		
Copying and posting warrants \$	3.50	
Services at meeting.....	2.00	
Notifying unqualified officers.....	2.00	
		7.50

Charles I. Burleigh:

Special Town Meeting.....	\$ 3.00	
Posting notices.....	4.00	
Printing ballots.....	4.00	
Clerk of election officers.....	6.00	
Tally sheets.....	3.00	
Two check lists.....	4.00	
Services as Registrar.....	6.00	
List of voters for state officers	6.00	
		36.00
	\$	53.50

Miscellaneous

Fred Bearse, tuberculosis hospital.....	\$	78.78
Scott Adams, legal advice.....		26.27
Charles R. Campbell, 1/3 gal. test measure		15.75
D. L. McCray, mowing cemetery.....		34.50
Harlan Witkop, caring for lantern.....		8.50
John Wendler, caring for lantern.....		15.10
N. M. Carew, wood.....		27.00
W. M. Pease, certifying papers.....	\$	5.00
Supplies.....		.24

 5.24

Walter R. Bartlett:

Johnson's Bookstore.....	\$	4.75
Harriet Jordan, recording.....		6.00
Making street lists.....		6.00

 16.75

 \$ 227.89

TOWN OFFICERS

Treasurer

Charles I. Burleigh.....\$ 75.00

Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor

Neil S. Kibbe.....	100.00
Nelson M. Carew.....	30.00
John J. Flynn.....	30.00

Assessors

Walter R. Bartlett.....	60.00
Raymond E. Kibbe.....	30.00
Walter E. Temple.....	40.00

Registrars

Charles I. Burleigh, clerk
 Neil S. Kibbe
 Nelson M. Carew
 John J. Flynn

Tax Collector

Miles E. Stevens

Auditor

Raymond S. Smith.....	15.00
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Sealer of Weights and Measures

John Swenson.....	10.00
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Inspector of Animals

John J. Flynn.....	23.00
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Inspector of Slaughtering

George Shaw.....	33.95
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Moth Superintendent

Edward P. Lyons

Forest Warden

John Swenson..... 3.00

Town Clerk

Charles I. Burleigh, recording births, marriages, deaths 19.50

\$ 469.45Appropriation\$ 1,000.00
Expended 944.71

Unexpended\$ 55.29**Charities**Appropriation\$ 500.00
Expended 174.25

Unexpended\$ 325.75**Soldiers Relief**

Paid, emergency, under section 31, chapter 44 G. L.....\$ 120.00

State AidAppropriation\$ 216.00
Expended and due from state..... 198.00

Unexpended\$ 18.00**Babcock Case**Balance unexpended, 1922.....\$ 43.73
Paid Babcock bills..... 43.73

Accident Insurance

Appropriation	\$	150.00
W. S. Warriner.....		114.02
Unexpended	\$	35.98

Fire Insurance

Appropriation	\$	125.00
W. S. Warriner:		
Library	\$	25.00
Town Hall.....		100.00
		125.00

Snow Removal

Appropriation	\$	325.00
Paid approved bills of L. O. Howlett.....		288.89
Unexpended	\$	36.11

Bridges and Railings

Appropriation	\$	400.00
Paid approved bills of L. O. Howlett.....		497.97
Expended above appropriation.....	\$	97.97

Tree Warden

Appropriation	\$	25.00
Unexpended	\$	25.00

Forest Fires

Appropriation	\$	100.00
Paid John Swenson, forest warden.....		32.80
Unexpended	\$	67.20

Fire Fighting Equipment

Appropriation	\$	50.00
Unexpended	\$	50.00

Street Lights

Appropriation	\$	1,145.70
Paid Central Massachusetts Electric Co.		1,145.76
Expended above appropriation.....	\$	.06

Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture

Appropriation	\$	50.00
Paid		50.00

Schoolhouse Note

Appropriation	\$	500.00
Springfield Institution for Savings.....		500.00

Revenue Notes

Paid N. M. Carew.....	\$	9,000.00
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Interest

Appropriation	\$	400.00
City of Springfield, interest on school tuition bills	\$	.20
N. M. Carew, revenue note.....		116.65
Springfield Institution for Savings, school- house note.....		100.00
		216.85
Unexpended	\$	183.15

Library

Appropriation	\$ 300.00
Holt fund	22.75
Dog fund	132.03

	\$ 454.78
Paid approved bills of library trustees.....	452.14
Unexpended	\$ 2.64

Soldiers and Sailors

Appropriation	\$ 25.00
Paid D. L. McCray.....	18.00
Unexpended	\$ 7.00

Town Hall

Appropriation	\$ 200.00
Paid	39.64
Unexpended	\$ 160.36

Memorial Day

Appropriation	\$ 50.00
Expended	32.00
Unexpended	\$ 18.00

Springfield Fire Department

Appropriation	\$ 50.00
Paid	50.00

Resurfacing Main Street

Appropriation	\$ 1,000.00	
Appropriation from state.....	1,000.00	
		\$ 2,000.00
Paid approved bills of L. O. Howlett.....		2,000.00
Expended on Temple work.....	\$ 15.87	
Received from W. E. Temple.....	15.87	

Bulletin No. 2, Schoolground

Appropriation	\$ 15.00	
Expended	5.00	
Unexpended	\$ 10.00	

C. I. Burleigh

Appropriation for collecting balance of 1920		
tax	\$ 30.00	
Appropriation for collecting balance of 1921		
tax	30.00	
	\$ 60.00	
Paid C. I. Burleigh.....		60.00

Gypsy Moth

Appropriation	\$ 250.00	
Paid approved bills of E. P. Lyons.....		259.51
Expended above appropriation.....	\$ 9.51	

Prospect Hill Cemetery Fence

Appropriation	\$	200.00
Isadore Ricard, labor.....	\$	14.70
E. H. Gordon, labor.....		21.00
Lora Pease, labor.....		33.85
W. D. McCray.....		1.50
J. A. Angers & Bros.....		7.73
D. L. McCray.....		115.40
		194.18
Unexpended	\$	5.82

New Bridges

Appropriation	\$	6,000.00
Berlin Construction Co.....	\$	5,000.00
W. J. Galbraith.....		1,035.00
		6,035.00
Expended above appropriation.....	\$	35.00
Tarring and painting new bridges and railings, E. P. Lyons	\$	282.17
Received from dances.....	\$	178.00
Received from sale of material.....		25.00
Paid E. P. Lyons.....		178.00
Balance due	\$	104.17

Maintenance Town Roads

Amount expended on roads under chapter 81, section 28, General Laws		
Appropriation	\$	1,700.00
Appropriation from state.....		2,550.00
	\$	4,250.00

Chapin Road	\$ 237.00
Mills Road	128.50
Main Street	584.63
Stafford Road	116.00
South Road	208.25
E. Longmeadow Road	203.00
Wilbraham Road	353.00
Springfield Road	324.75
Scantic Road	376.00
Somers Road	226.00
Mill Road	96.00
North Road	69.00
Rocky Dundee Road	110.00
McCray Road	22.50
Glendale Road	283.82
Thresher Road	50.56
So. Monson Road	207.00
No. Monson Road	24.00
Bennett Road	102.00
Howlett Hill	53.50
Ludlow Road	30.00
Carmody Road	13.00
Monson Road	16.50
I. Ricard Road	24.00

Total for labor.....\$ 3,859.01

Materials 380.99

Miscellaneous 10.00

\$ 4,250.00

Summary Selectmen's Orders

Contingencies	\$ 944.71
Charity	174.25
Soldiers' Relief	120.00
State Aid	198.00
Babcock Case	43.73
Accident Insurance	114.02
Fire Insurance	125.00
Snow Removal	288.89
Bridges and Railings	497.97
Forest Fires	32.80
Street Lights	1,145.76
Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture	50.00
Schoolhouse Note	500.00
Revenue Notes	9,000.00
Interest	216.85
Library	452.14
Soldiers and Sailors	18.00
Town Hall	39.64
Memorial Day	32.00
Springfield Fire Department	50.00
Resurfacing Main Street	2,000.00
C. I. Burleigh	60.00
Gypsy Moth	259.51
Prospect Hill Cemetery Fence	194.18
New Bridges	6,035.00
Maintenance Town Roads	4,250.00
W. E. Temple work	15.87
Bulletin Board	5.00
	\$ 26,863.32

Resources

Due from State Highway Commission.....	\$ 1,000.00
Due from State: state aid	198.00
Due from C. I. Burleigh, 1922 taxes.....	406.69
Due from Miles Stevens, 1923 taxes.....	4,635.09
Due from State, Vocational School.....	259.25
Due from State, Firefighting equipment, 1922	43.25
Cash in Treasury	1,321.04
	\$ 7,863.32

Liabilities

Schoolhouse Note, due Springfield Institution for Savings, Dec. 16, of each year, last payment to be made Dec. 16, 1926.....	\$ 1,500.00
Revenue note due N. M. Carew, April 20, 1924	1,000.00
	\$ 2,500.00
Balance in favor of Town.....	\$ 5,363.32

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED

Schools	\$ 15,000.00
Public Library (dog fund, etc.)	300.00
Maintenance Town Roads	1,700.00
Bridges and Railings	400.00
Charities	500.00
Interest	500.00
Contingencies	1,000.00
Accident Insurance	200.00

Fire Insurance	175.00
Tree Warden	25.00
Street Lights	1,306.56
Forest Fires	200.00
Schoolhouse Note	500.00
Soldiers' Relief	300.00
Memorial Day	30.00
Town Hall	200.00
State Aid	144.00
Snow Removal	200.00
Soldiers and Sailors	25.00
Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture	50.00
Gypsy Moth Work	221.79

NEIL S. KIBBE,

NELSON M. CAREW,

JOHN J. FLYNN,

Selectment of Hampden.

Town Treasurer's Report

Dec. 31, 1923

Receipts

Cash in Treasury January 1, 1923.....	\$ 3,691.69
C. I. Burleigh, Treas.,	
Received of State Treasurer	
Account Highway Commission 1922	200.00
“ Highway Commission 1923	2,550.00
“ Income Tax 1921	38.25
“ Income Tax 1922	45.00
“ Income Tax 1923	609.13
“ Massachusetts School Fund	1,250.25
“ Vocational School	85.00
“ Tuition of Children	881.72
“ General school fund Income Tax	1,363.30
“ High School Tuition	4,668.00
“ High School Transportation	1,866.80
“ School Superintendent	193.33
“ Corporation Tax Business	1.63
“ Corporation Tax Public Service	86.91
“ Corporation Tax Business	22.64
“ Inspection of Animals	11.50
“ Civilian War Poll Tax 1922	57.00
“ Forestry Division	24.10
“ State Aid	216.00
“ Soldier's Exemption	57.60
Received of County Treasurer Dog Fund	177.17
“ of Town of Monson Tuition	41.25
“ of City of Springfield Refund Tuition	122.18
“ of D. L. McCray, Cem. Com. lots sold.....	3.00
“ of F. A. Knox, Town Hall Rent 1922	48.00

"	of F. A. Knox, Town Hall Rent 1923	5.00
"	of John Swenson, Sealer Fees	7.40
"	of Springfield Institution for Savings	
"	Income Cemetery funds	84.04
"	Income Holt Library fund	22.75
"	of N. M. Carew Town Loans Nos. 6 and 7	10,000.00
"	of C. I. Burleigh, Tax Collector	
"	on Taxes Assessed 1921	516.49
"	on Taxes Assessed 1922	2,654.73
"	of M. E. Stevens, Tax Collector	
"	on Taxes Assessed 1923	15,136.96
"	Interest on Taxes Assessed 1921	45.77
"	Interest on Taxes Assessed 1922	134.90
"	Union Trust Co., Interest on Deposits	96.40
"	L. O. Howlett, Culvert pipe sold	15.87
"	N. S. Kibbe, Bridge timbers sold	25.00
		\$ 47,056.76

Expenditures

Paid Director of Accounts Certifying Notes Nos. 6 and	
7	\$ 4.00
" County Treasurer County Tax	535.93
" Return of 10 Burial Permits	2.50
" Approved Bills of Cem. Commissioners	84.04
" State Tax	1,200.00
" Civilian War Poll Tax	579.00
" Orders of Selectmen.....	26,863.32
" Approved Orders of School Committee	16,466.93
Cash in Treasury	1,321.04
	\$ 47,056.76

Trust Funds

Bequest of Cemetery fund of Josiah Bumstead deposited with the Springfield Institution for Savings, Book No. 143425		\$ 2,000.00
Amount of interest to July, 1923		77.28
		\$ 2,077.28
Drew from Bank to pay approved bills of Selectmen.....		17.04
Balance		\$ 2,060.24
Interest to January, 1924		46.35
		\$ 2,106.59
Drew from Bank to pay approved bills of Selectmen.....		14.00
Balance		\$ 2,092.59
Bequest of Cemetery fund of Helen E. Stacy, deposited with the Springfield Institution for Savings, Book No. 199108		\$ 150.00
Interest to July, 1923		18.61
		\$ 168.61
Drew from Bank to pay approved bills of Selectmen.....		8.00
		\$ 160.61
Interest to January, 1924		3.60
Balance		\$ 164.21
Bequest of Cemetery fund of Johanna B. Holt, de- posited with the Springfield Institution for Sav- ings, Book No. 206606		\$ 200.00
Interest to January, 1923		13.99
		\$ 213.99

Interest to July, 1923	4.79
	\$ 218.78
Drew from Bank to pay approved bills of Selectmen.....	8.00
	\$ 210.78
Interest to January, 1924	4.73
Balance	\$ 215.51
Bequest of Library fund of Johanna B. Holt, deposited with the Springfield Institution for Savings, Book No. 206726	
	\$ 500.00
Interest to January, 1924	22.75
	\$ 522.75
Drew from Bank to pay approved bills of Selectmen.....	22.75
Balance	\$ 500.00
Bequest of Cemetery fund of Catherine B. Twichell, deposited with the Springfield Institution for Savings, Book No. 271344	
	\$ 200.00
Interest to January, 1923	13.99
	\$ 213.99
Interest to July, 1923	4.79
	\$ 218.78
Drew from Bank to pay approved bills of Selectmen.....	7.00
	\$ 211.78
Interest to January, 1924	4.75
Balance	\$ 216.53

Bequest of Cemetery fund of Rev. D. H. Stoddard, deposited with the Springfield Institution for Savings, Book No. 216868	\$	50.00
Interest to January, 1923		9.70
	\$	59.70
Interest to July, 1923		1.33
	\$	61.03
Drew from Bank to pay approved bills of Selectmen.....		4.00
	\$	57.03
Interest to January, 1924		1.28
Balance	\$	58.31
Bequest of Cemetery fund of Anna S. Leonard, de- posited with the Springfield Institution for Sav- ings, Book No. 208607	\$	100.00
Interest to January, 1923		7.00
	\$	107.00
Interest to July, 1923		2.41
	\$	109.41
Drew from Bank to pay approved bills of Selectmen.....		4.00
Balance	\$	105.41
Bequest of Cemetery fund for perpetual care of Orrin Goodwill lot, deposited with the Springfield In- stitution for Savings, Book No. 287710	\$	200.00
Interest to January, 1923		19.38
	\$	219.38
Interest to July, 1923		4.93

	\$	224.31
Drew from Bank to pay approved bills of Selectmen.....		8.00
Balance	\$	216.31
Bequest of Cemetery fund for perpetual care of Marcus Beebe lot, deposited with the Springfield Insti- tution for Savings, Book No. 283671	\$	150.00
Interest to January, 1923		10.53
	\$	160.53
Interest to July, 1923		3.60
	\$	164.13
Drew from Bank to pay approved bills of Selectmen.....		6.00
	\$	158.13
Interest to January, 1924		3.56
Balance	\$	161.69
Bequest of Cemetery fund for perpetual care of lot of John Q. Adams, deposited with the Springfield Institution for Savings, Book No. 289157.....	\$	100.00
Interest to January, 1923		9.28
	\$	109.28
Interest to July, 1923		2.45
	\$	111.73
Drew from Bank to pay approved bills of Selectmen.....		5.00
	\$	106.73
Interest to January, 1924		2.39
Balance	\$	109.12

Bequest of Cemetery fund for perpetual care of lot of Lydia Morris, deposited with the Springfield In- stitution for Savings, Book No. 284691	\$ 100.00
Interest to July, 1923	14.23
	\$ 114.23
Drew from Bank to pay approved bills of Selectmen.....	3.00
	\$ 111.23
Interest to January, 1924	2.50
Balance	\$ 113.73

Bequest of Cemetery fund of Almira C. Thompson for perpetual care of lot of Betsey Chaffee Heirs, in the New Cemetery, deposited with the Spring- field Institution for Savings, Book No. 309197....	\$ 300.00
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Special Account

Gift of Charles H. Burleigh for improvement of the Town Common	\$ 300.00
To be expended by W. A. Lawson and the Selectmen of the Town of Hampden.	
Expended 1921	\$ 55.50
Expended 1922	165.50
	\$ 221.00
	\$ 79.00
Interest	.96
	\$ 79.96
Expended 1923	\$ 25.25
Balance	\$ 54.71

C. I. BURLEIGH, Treasurer.

Hampden, Mass., December 31, 1923

Town Clerk's Report

Births recorded Jan. 1, 1923, to Dec. 31, 1923	7
Males	2
Females	5
American born parentage	7
Marriages recorded Jan. 1, 1923, to Dec. 31, 1923	9
Deaths recorded Jan. 1, 1923, to Dec. 31, 1923	12
Males	7
Females	5
American born	11
Foreign born	1
Documents recorded	1
Dog licenses issued	79

Receipts

62 Male dog licenses at \$2 each	\$ 124.00
13 Female dog licenses at 5 each	65.00
4 Spayed dog licenses at \$2 each	8.00
	\$ 197.00

Expenditures

Clerk's fees, 79 at 20 cents each	\$ 15.80
Paid County Treasurer	181.20
	\$ 197.00

Receipts

26 Resident combination certificates issued to Dec. 31, 1923, at \$2 each	\$ 52.00
19 Resident fisherman's licenses at \$1.00 each	19.00
10 Minor trappers' licenses at \$0.25 each	2.50

48 Hunting and trapping licenses at \$1.50 each	72.00
7 Non-Resident combination licenses at \$10.00 each	70.00
	\$ 215.50

Expenditures

Paid Commissioners on Fisheries and Game	\$ 199.00
Clerk's fees on 110 certificates at \$0.15 each	16.50
	\$ 215.50

C. I. BURLEIGH, Town Clerk.

Hampden, Mass., December 31, 1923

Assessor's Report for 1923

Number of Residents assessed.....	203
Number of Non-Residents assessed on Property.....	85
Number of Persons assessed on Property.....	288
Number of Persons assessed Poll only.....	193
Number of Male Polls assessed	
Tax rate per \$1,000.00.....	\$ 37.00
Committed for Collection	19,834.78
Taxes Abated	62.15
Value of Assessed Personal Estate	83,539.00
Value of Buildings (without Land)	217,120.00
Value of Land (without Buildings)	209,335.00

Total	\$509,994.00
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Tax on Polls	\$ 965.00
Tax on Personal Estate	3,090.94
Tax on Real Estate	15,778.84

Total	\$ 19,834.78
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Estimated Aid from Massachusetts

State Board of Education	\$ 10,900.00
Received from State Income Tax	596.13
State Tax	1,200.00
County Tax	535.93

Appropriations for Town Purposes

For Schools	\$ 16,500.00
Public Library (and Dog Fund)	300.00
Maintenance Town Roads	1,360.00
Bridges and Railings	400.00

Charities	500.00
Interest	400.00
Contingencies	1,000.00
Accident Insurance	150.00
Fire Insurance	100.00
Tree Warden	25.00
Street Lights	1,145.70
Forest Fires	100.00
School House Note	500.00
Memorial Day	50.00
Town Hall	200.00
State Aid	216.00
Snow Removal	200.00
Soldiers and Sailors	25.00
Graveling Main Street	1,000.00
Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture	50.00
Gypsy Moth Work	250.00
Springfield Fire Department	50.00
Collecting Balance 1920 Taxes	30.00
Collecting Balance 1921 Taxes	30.00
Town Hall	200.00
On One Bridge	1,500.00
Bulletin on No. 2 School Grounds	15.00
Special Town Meeting:	
Fire Insurance	25.00
Snow Removal	125.00
Town Roads	340.00
Firefighting Equipment	50.00
New Bridges	1,500.00
Prospect Hill Cemetery Fence	200.00
Total	\$ 28,536.70

Number of Horses assessed	154
Number of Cows assessed	492
Number Neat Cattle other than Cows	190
Number of Swine assessed	13
Number of Dwelling Houses	200
Number of Fowls	5,590
Number of Sheep	15
Number of Acres Land.....	12,138

WALTER R. BARTLETT

WALTER E. TEMPLE

RAYMOND E. KIBBE

Tax Collector's Report

For Taxes Assessed 1921 and 1922

Taxes of 1921

Uncollected Dec. 31, 1922	\$	516.49
Paid Town Treasurer	\$	516.49

Taxes of 1922

Uncollected Dec. 31, 1922	\$	3,047.42
Paid Town Treasurer		2,640.73
Uncollected	\$	406.69

C. I. BURLEIGH, Collector.

Hampden, Mass., December 31, 1923

Committed for Collection	\$	965.00
Paid Town Treasurer	\$	891.00
Taxes Abated		59.00
Uncollected		15.00
	\$	965.00

Poll Taxes of 1923

Property Taxes for 1923

Committed for Collection	\$	18,850.70
Added Assessments		18.50
	\$	18,869.20

Paid Town Treasurer	\$14,245.96
Taxes Abated	3.15
Uncollected	4,620.09

\$ 18,869.20

M. E. STEVENS,
Collector.

Hampden, Mass., December 31, 1923

Report of the Cemetery Commissioners

Old Cemetery

Paid from income of Trust funds:

D. L. McCray, Labor	\$ 44.35	
C. C. Whitaker, Labor	23.90	
C. E. Pease, Fertilizer	3.00	
W. M. Pease, Grass Seed	.25	
The Stewart Iron Works Co., Markers	7.50	
W. D. McCray, Express	2.09	
Homer Foot & Co., Grass Shears	1.95	
Lora Pease, Grinding Lawn Mower	1.00	
		\$ 84.04

Care of Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves

Appropriation	\$ 25.00	
Paid D. L. McCray, Labor	\$ 17.50	
Paid Lora Pease, Grinding Lawn Mower	.50	
		\$ 18.00
Unexpended	\$ 7.00	

Prospect Hill Cemetery

Paid from Contingent account:

Paid E. J. Thresher, Team and Machine	\$ 20.00	
Paid Howard Wilker, Labor	5.25	
Paid E. H. Gorden, Labor	9.25	
		\$ 34.50

Prospect Hill Cemetery Fence

Appropriation	\$	200.00
Paid Lora Pease, Labor	\$	33.85
Paid E. H. Gorden, Labor		62.75
Paid W. J. R. Gardner, Labor		27.50
Paid I. A. Ricard, Posts		14.70
Paid J. A. Angers, Boards		7.73
Paid W. D. McCray, Express		2.60
Paid New Eng. Paint & Supply Co., Paint.....		43.05
Paid L. E. Whitaker, Lime		2.00
	\$	194.18
Unexpended	\$	5.82

Respectfully submitted,

D. L. McCRAY,

D. RALPH ISHAM,

E. H. GORDEN,

Cemetery Commissioners.

Auditor's Report

Hampden, Mass., Jan. 19, 1924.

I have examined the books of the various town officers and find them correct.

RAYMOND S. SMITH,

Town Auditor.

Librarian's Report

Circulation of Books and Magazines	5,922
Average attendance	45
Books purchased	234
Books donated	97
Magazines purchased	8
Magazines donated	8

Donors of books: Commission, 27; City Library Association, 37; Methodist Church, 22; Mrs. Fanny Jones, 5; Mrs. S. D. Beebe, 1; Rev. H. F. Fulton, 1; Mrs. W. P. Prickett, 1; Mrs. Ida Schneelock, 1; Library Book House, 1; Mrs. M. W. Tileston, 1.

Donors of Magazines: Commission, 3; Improvement League, 1; Dearborn Independent, 1; Christian Herald, 1; Miss Eunice Beebe of Westfield, 1; Miss Frances Stockton, 1.

The traveling library, sent out by the Woman's Education Association, has been exchanged. The new books are for the young people.

A set of pictures on England was enjoyed by all.

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL M. BURLEIGH,

Librarian.

Hampden, Mass., December 31, 1923

Library Trustee's Report

Appropriation	\$ 300.00
Dog fund	132.03
Available from Holt fund	22.00

Total funds available	\$	454.03
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Expended:

Librarian	\$ 104.00
Janitor	24.50
Books	292.15
Magazines	25.00
Incidentals	6.49

Total expenditures	\$	452.14
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Unexpended	\$	1.89
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Jan. 8 drew the interest from the Day fund for the Christian Herald. Thus with the number of books to be rebound or replaced and the advance in the price of books, magazines, etc., we recommend for the following year \$350.00 and the dog fund.

Respectfully submitted,

ARLINE HOWLETT,
ELEANOR A. BURLEIGH,
ELIZABETH SESSIONS,

Library Trustees.

Hampden, Mass., December 31, 1923

REPORT

OF THE

Superintendent of Schools

OF THE

TOWN OF HAMPDEN

1923

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of Hampden:

Gentlemen:—During the past year few matters either novel or momentous to our schools have occurred that are worthy of record in an annual report.

Repairs and Equipment of Buildings.

To supply closet at the West Side, of which mention was made in the last annual report, and the new furnace at the Center are the outstanding items of repair during the past year. They were both much needed. The furnace at the Center seems to stand the test and to keep the schoolrooms warm and comfortable without being pushed all the time.

A toilet for the girls should be built at the West Side, and I believe plans are already under way to have this done. In my opinion, the windows of all our schoolrooms should be screened. Especially during the fall, flies are drawn into the schoolhouses in swarms. They interfere with the children at their studies, and are a menace to their health.

The Field Day.

In keeping with the policy of promoting those interests and activities which make for physical growth and well being, a field day program was carried out Monday, June 18, on the lot at the rear of the Center school. The program consisted of games, folk dancing, calisthenic drills, physical efficiency tests, and a ball game. The physical efficiency tests, open to any pupil who was not ruled out by our school nurse because of some physical condition that made participation unwise, were as follows:

For the girls: Deep knee bending, 50 times; 60 yard dash, 10 seconds; ball throwing, 50 feet; running high jump, 3 feet.

For the boys: Pull up, 4 times; floor dip, 15 times; 60 yard dash, 10 seconds; running high jump, 3 feet, 2 inches.

Four girls and nine boys took their tests successfully. In October a chance was given for another trial and six boys competed successfully. All who were successful were awarded the *Hampden Button*, and their names have been included in the *Honor Roll*, printed elsewhere in this report. The day seemed to me to be enjoyable and profitable, and should become an annual affair.

Instruction in indoor and outdoor games and athletic exercise is now required by state law in our schools. The school department should plan on spending a modest sum annually in supplies and equipment to be used in carrying out the provisions of this law. "Schick Testing."

Within the past few years a diphtheria immunization treatment has been perfected. This treatment, called the toxin-antitoxin treatment, is not painful and, as a rule, is followed by no noticeable after effects. Usually it makes the child treated immune from diphtheria, probably for life. In rare cases the immunization treatment proves ineffective. Such cases are discovered by administering the Schick test, which should follow the treatment.

This treatment as a protection against diphtheria has been given in many of the schools of the state during the past two years, and its use is extending rapidly. Unlike vaccination its use is entirely optional. I believe provisions should be made for its administration during the next year to those school children whose parents wish for it.

Legislation.

Three laws were enacted by the last general court that affect the grants received by the town from the state on account of education. One raises the amount of reimbursement for high school

transportation from a maximum of 40 cents to a maximum of 80 cents per pupil per day. The provisions under which the greater maximum is allowable are such that the town of Hampden may expect a larger grant than it has received heretofore.

A second law requires towns like Hampden to provide for the transportation of their vocational school pupils. For this reimbursement is made by the state as in the case of high school pupils. The town for several years has provided transportation for its vocational school pupils without reimbursement from the state. This will now be received.

A third change has been made by amending the General School Fund law so that the valuation to be used in computing the amount to be granted each town shall be the same as made for the purpose of apportioning the state tax. This valuation in the case of Hampden is \$554.474, and will decrease the amount of the grant to the town under this law by three or four hundred dollars. The Teachers of the Town.

The teachers in the Hampden schools are a progressive enthusiastic lot. One has just finished her normal course. The others have all done professional improvement work during the year, either by attendance at summer school or by correspondence courses. The morale of the schools is excellent. For this and for their fine professional spirit the teachers are worthy of a word of praise.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERIC A. WHEELER.

TABLES OF STATISTICS

School Calendar, 1924

Winter Term: Wednesday, January 2, to Thursday, February 21.

Spring Term: Monday, March 3, to Friday, April 25.

Summer Term: Monday, May 5, to Tuesday, June 24.

Fall Term: Tuesday, September 2, to Friday, December 19.

Holidays:

May 30, Memorial Day.

Monday, October 13, Columbus Day.

Wednesday noon, November 26, to Monday, December 1, Thanksgiving Day recess.

School Census, April 1, 1923

	Males	Females	Totals
Persons 5 to 7 years old.....	9	11	20
Persons 7 to 14 years old	44	33	77
Persons 14 to 16 years old	15	12	27
	68	56	124

School Membership and Attendance, 1922-1923

Name of School	Aggregate Attendance	Average Attendance	Total Membership	Average Membership	Per cent of Attendance	Cases of Tardiness	Cases of Dismissal
Center:							
Grammar	3174.5	17.61	20	19.6	89	58	15
Primary	5287.5	29.01	38	31.83	90	19	2
West Side:							
Grammar	3194.5	18.08	28	19.92	90.6	55	0
Primary	3352.5	18.48	23	19.92	93	33	0
Scantic	1425.5	7.96	11	8.58	81.07	0	2
	16434.5	91.14	120	99.85	88.73	165	19

Membership by Schools and Grades, December, 1923

Name of School	Number of Grade								Totals
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Center	9	13	4	8	9	4	8	3	58
West Side	4	2	2	11	10	8	6	2	45
Scantic	3	1	1	1	4	1		1	12
	16	16	7	20	23	13	14	6	115

Grammar School Graduates, June, 1923

Bolack Joseph Bandoski	Donald Bradway Howlett
Stanley John Bandoski	Beatrice Catherine Isham
Roger Bandoski	Frederick Chester Luippold
George Edward Dorsey	Edith Corinne Thresher
Daniel Martin Flynn	Lottie Lucinda Warner
Mary Claire Witkop	

Number of Pupils Attending Springfield High Schools December, 1923

State Street Junior High School	7
Central High School	4
High School of Commerce	8
Technical High School	8
Total Number in High Schools	27
Attending Vocational School	6
Grand Total Attending Springfield Schools	33

HONOR ROLL

Winners of the Prizes

Offered by Mrs. A. H. Newman, June, 1923

First Prize: Eleanor Hyde Second Prize: Eunice Bartlett

On Honor Roll of Springfield High School During 1923

Stanley Bandoski	Daniel Isham
Eunice Bartlett	Paul Isham
Beatrice Brennan	Holton Pease
Helen Flynn	Lucia Pease
Eleanor Hyde	Dorothy Temple
Beatrice Isham	Lottie Warner

Perfect Attendance, 1922-1923

Susie Chapin	Fred Medicke
Charles Medicke	Rachel Pease

Awarded Physical Efficiency Buttons During 1923

Bolack Bandoski	Beatrice Isham
Roger Bandoski	Wesley Isham
Stanley Bandoski	Raymond Jones
Dorothy Chapin	Fred Luippold
George Dorsey	Daniel Porrino
Chester Dickinson	Bernadette Roux
Daniel Flynn	Eugene Sherburne
Irving Green	Harold Thresher
Robert Howlett	Claire Witkop

Harlan Witkop

Awarded Students Certificate for Excellence in Penmanship

Lottie L. Warner

Corps of Teachers, January 1, 1923

Center School

Mrs. Catherine L. Flynn, Hampden, Grades 5 to 8.

Eleanor A. Burleigh, Hampden, Grades 1 to 4.

West Side School

Mrs. Louise M. Thayer, R. F. D. No. 2, Ludlow, Grades 5 to 8.

Anna H. Burleigh, Hampden, Grades 1 to 4.

Seantic School

Marie J. van Wieren, Hampden.

Supervisor of Drawing

Helen P. Bartlett, 128 Cambridge Street, Springfield.

Supervisor of Music

Mrs. Ethel C. Morse, 79 Leete Street, Springfield.

School Nurse

Signe L. Polson, 128 Middlesex Street, Springfield.

Superintendent of Schools

Frederic A. Wheeler, East Longmeadow.

REPORT

OF THE

School Committee

OF THE

TOWN OF HAMPDEN

1923

Report of the School Committee

School Committee

LUCIAN H. GUPTILL	Term expires 1924
ROBERT S. PEASE	Term expires 1925
CHARLES F. MEDICKE	Term expires 1926

Organization

CHARLES F. MEDICKE, Chairman

FREDERICK A. WHEELER, Secretary and Superintendent of
Schools

R. S. PEASE, Attendance Officer

DR. H. A. FISKE, School Physician

The Town appropriated \$16,500.00 for all school purposes.

The Town received the following sums from the state and other
sources:

General School Fund Part I	\$ 1,363.30
General School Fund Part II	1,250.25
High School Tuition	4,668.00
High School Transportation	1,866.80
Superintendent of Schools	193.33
State Wards	881.72
Tuition from Monson	41.25
Due from State one-half Tuition of voca- tional School (\$599.25)	299.62

Total Reimbursement\$ 10,564.27

Expenditures of Hampden Schools

TEACHERS' SALARIES

Catherine L. Flynn	\$ 1,000.00
Eleanor A. Burleigh	1,000.00
Louise M. Thayer	1,000.00
Anna H. Burleigh	820.00
Elinor F. Tyler	540.00
Marie van Weiren	340.00
	\$ 4,700.00

Supervisors

Helen P. Bartlett, Drawing	\$ 204.44
Isabelle C. Hennessey, Music	108.00
Mrs. Ethel C. Morse, Music	81.00
	\$ 393.44

Superintendence

F. A. Wheeler, salary	\$ 330.00
F. A. Wheeler, mileage	49.99
F. A. Wheeler, District Expense	23.68
Emily Cormier, District Clerk	97.50
Yawman & Erbe Mfg. Co., filing cabinet for district	8.93
	\$ 510.10

Health

Signe L. Polson, salary	\$ 243.33
Signe L. Polson, supplies	1.57
A. L. Fredette, supplies	.50
Phelps Publishing Co., health letters	.88
C. P. Thompson, tongue depressors	1.50

H. A. Fiske, M. D., services	5.00	
		\$ 252.78

Transportation from Newell District to Center School

W. D. McCray	\$ 470.00
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Text Books and Supplies

Little, Brown & Co.	\$ 7.97	
E. E. Babb & Co.	128.51	
American Book Co.	73.20	
Johnson's Bookstore	10.60	
A. N. Palmer & Co.	7.71	
Ginn & Co.	29.54	
Boston Paper Board Co.	6.00	
W. D. McCray, express and supplies	10.95	
Helen P. Bartlett	1.35	
Arlo Publishing Co.	6.15	
D. A. Fraser	1.26	
L. E. Whitaker	.60	
Eleanor A. Burleigh	4.50	
Albert Steiger	1.11	
Town of Longmeadow	.60	
Shaw Walker Co.	3.40	
Sacketts Typewriter Co.	.50	
Rand, McNally & Co.	2.16	
Forbes & Wallace	2.50	
National Child Welfare Association	1.00	
		\$ 299.61

OPERATING EXPENSES

Janitors

C. I. Burleigh, No. 1	\$ 200.00
Dan O'Brien, No. 2	161.00

Julia O'Brien, No. 2	20.00	
O. H. Lawton, No. 2.....	20.00	
Mrs. Chas. Cone, No. 3	55.00	
Mrs. W. E. Temple, No. 3	26.00	
Dan O'Brien, cleaning, etc.	15.26	
Mrs. Eli Deyo, cleaning, No. 2 and 3	9.00	
Eli Deyo, mowing	2.00	
	\$	508.26

Fuel

Center No. 1

Isadore Ricard, 9 cds wood	\$ 77.00	
Isadore Ricard, 5 cds wood	55.00	
Chas. Battige, $\frac{1}{2}$ cord wood	5.50	
L. Wilmot, sawing	1.50	
G. Patrick, sawing	3.00	
R. Pease, sawing	2.00	
L. E. Whitaker, coal	113.06	
	\$	257.06

West Side

Geo. A. Chapin, $17\frac{1}{2}$ cds wood	\$ 165.85	
I. A. Ricard	11.00	
	\$	176.85

Scantie

R. S. Pease, 3 cds, sawed	\$ 36.00	
I. A. Ricard	13.00	
	\$	49.00
Total Fuel	\$	482.91

Miscellaneous

W. N. Pease, sundries	\$ 9.61	
Workshop for the Blind, brooms	4.25	
Standard Oil Co. of N. Y., floor dressing	9.00	
C. F. Medicke, pd. polish	1.35	
	\$	24.21

Repairs, Maintenance and New Equipment

Carlisle Hardware Co., locks	\$ 3.65	
Carlisle Hardware Co., 3 thero	2.21	
R. S. Pease, labor, No. 1	4.00	
C. F. Medicke, pd. window cord	1.40	
R. S. Pease, labor, No. 3	1.00	
Mass. Reformatory, chairs	20.00	
J. B. Angers, cabinet, No. 1.....	6.13	
E. Roux, labor, No. 1	20.00	
E. G. Wellman, furnace, No. 1	405.00	
C. F. Medicke, pd. for material	1.78	
Benj. Powell, eaves, No. 1	86.00	
	\$	551.17

Miscellaneous for Graduation, etc.

Louise M. Thayer, grad. sup.	\$ 3.50	
Sackett Typewriter Exchange, programs.....	7.80	
Richard L. Sheldon, grad. certificates	2.75	
Boston Regalia Co., field day buttons	3.25	
C. F. Medicke, pd. Technical Orchestra	10.00	
	\$	27.30

School Committee

C. F. Medicke	\$ 60.00
L. H. Guphill	30.00

R. S. Pease	30.00	
C. F. Medicke, postage, etc.	2.35	
R. S. Pease, postage, etc.	.80	
Springfield Printing & Binding Co., invoice record	6.75	
		\$ 129.90

Summary Local School Expenditures

Teachers	\$ 4,700.00	
Supervisors	393.44	
Superintendence	510.10	
Health	252.78	
Local Transportation	470.00	
Text Books and Supplies	299.61	
Janitors	508.26	
Fuel	482.91	
Repairs, New Equipment and Miscellaneous	575.38	
Graduation, etc.	27.30	
School Committee	129.90	
		\$ 8,349.68

High and Vocational Schools of Springfield

City of Springfield, Tuition H. S.	\$ 4,615.50	
City of Springfield, Vocational	599.25	
		\$ 5,214.75

High School Transportation

E. P. Lyons	\$ 2,902.50	
Total High Schools	\$ 8,117.25	
Total Local Schools	8,349.68	
		\$ 16,466.93

Unexpended	33.07
Refunds	123.18

Total Unexpended	\$ 156.25
The School Committee recommends an appropriation of \$16,400.00.	

Summary of Estimates

Teachers	\$ 4,700.00
Local Transportation	500.00
Superintendence	500.00
Supervisors	400.00
Health	300.00
School Books and Supplies	300.00
Maintenance, Repairs, etc.	200.00
Operating and Janitors	500.00
Fuel	450.00
High School and Vocational Tuition.....	5,500.00
High School Transportation	2,900.00
\$ 16,400.00	

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. F. MEDICKE,
ROBT. S. PEASE,
LUCIAN H. GUPTILL,

School Committee.