

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
OFFICERS
OF THE
Town of Hampden

For the Year Ending December 31,
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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, 1926

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

D. LINCOLN McCRAY

Constables

EDWARD P. LYONS

ROBERT HYDE

HAROLD RYDER

Cemetery Commissioners

D. L. McCRAY, Chairman

GEORGE FERGUSON

D. RALPH ISHAM

Town Bookkeeper

BEN LIBBY

Auditor

RAYMOND S. SMITH

Tree Warden

GEORGE F. SHAW

Superintendent of Streets

LEROY O. HOWLETT

Forest Fire Warden

JOHN SWENSON

Inspector of Animals

CHARLES N. WHITAKER

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, 1926**

D. RALPH ISHAM

LUCIAN H. GUPTILL

D. LINCOLN McCRAV

MATTHEW WITKOP

E. J. THRESHER

W. E. TEMPLE

A. H. NEWMAN

ROBT. S. PEASE

ALEXANDER LARSON

LOUIS E. LAIRD

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 seventh day of February, A. D., 1927, 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. 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 6 P. M.

Article 3. To hear the annual report of the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor, Town Clerk, Town Treasurer, School Committee, Town Bookkeeper, 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 \$2,550.00 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 Massachusetts.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,467.30 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 \$272.13 for the suppression of gypsy and brown tail moths.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for forest fire fighting equipment. 150.

Article 14. To see what action the Town will take concerning the following,—that the Town Hall shall be opened to the use of any local organization that is now in existence or may be formed in the future for the actual operating costs.

Article 15. 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 and surfacing a part of Hampden-East Longmeadow Road, work to begin at end of road constructed in 1926. 3500 y

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for installing electric lights in the Center schoolhouse.

Article 17. To see what action the Town will take in regard to building an addition to the Center or No. 1 schoolhouse and make an appropriation therefor.

Article 18. 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, 1927, 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 19. 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 such 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-fourth day of January, A. D., 1927.

N. S. KIBBE,

N. M. CAREW,

J. J. FLYNN,

Selectmen of Hampden.

Report of Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Hampden:—

The following represents the maintenance and new construction on highways during the year 1926.

Early in 1926 the State Engineers and Selectmen made out a budget for the maintenance of the various highways of the Town under Chapter 81. The money appropriated by the Town and the \$3,400.00 given by the State was expended as follows:

EXPENDITURES ON ROADS IN HAMPDEN

Chapter 81—1926

1.	Springfield Road	\$749.80
2.	East Longmeadow Road	124.55
3.	Wilbraham Road	590.35
4.	Somers Road	390.65
5.	Ludlow Road	
6.	Isaac Bradway Road	
7.	Mill Road	124.00
8.	Carmody Road	79.45
9.	Main Street	298.56
10.	South Road	338.55
11.	Chapin Road	416.90
12.	Rocky Dundee Road	104.00
13.	Scantic Road	123.05
14.	Cross Road	
15.	South Monson Road	292.25

16.	Thresher Road	101.55
17.	Isadore Ricard Road	
18.	Hendee Road	33.00
19.	Howlett Hill Road	19.00
20.	Stafford Road	41.00
21.	North Monson Road	215.57
22.	Bennett Road	140.00
23.	Ames Road	219.25
24.	Glendale Road	328.85
25.	North Road	374.30
26.	McCray Road	127.00
27.	Burleigh Road	
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		\$5,231.65
General Work		5.00
Culverts		188.40
Machinery and Tools		29.91
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Total		\$5,454.94

Allotments:

State	\$3,400.00
Town	2,050.00
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	\$5,450.00

Materials, Miscellaneous

Tarite, 24,250 gallons	\$3,213.13
Trap Rock, J. S. Lane	1,626.42

Under Chapter 90, 4,500 feet of tar bound macadam was constructed upon the East Longmeadow Road at a cost of \$17,500.00, the State and County each paying \$7,000.00 and the Town \$3,500.00.

This includes the cost of blasting the ledges, building the retaining walls and the guard rails, which constituted a heavy expense this year. With an allotment of \$15,000.00 the coming year the road would probably be completed through the village.

As instructed at the last Annual Meeting, the Selectmen appointed a committee of five—Mr. Chas. Medicke, Mr. Robert Pease, Mr. Lucien Guptill, Mr. Nelson E. Pease, and Mr. D. L. McCray—to investigate concerning the addition of a room to the Center School, to report at the Annual Meeting.

The cupola of the Town Hall, and the upstairs ceiling have been repaired during the past year.

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR 1927

1. GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

a. Legislative	\$5.00
b. Selectmen's Department	200.00
c. Accounting Department	225.00
d. Treasurer's Department	250.00
e. Collector's Department	325.00
f. Assessor's Department	175.00
g. Law Department	125.00
h. Town Clerk's Department	100.00
i. Election and Registration	50.00
j. Town Hall	125.00

2. PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

a. Police Department	50.00
b. Insurance	500.00
c. Inspection	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	25.00

d. Forestry

1. Forest Warden	10.00
2. Insect Pests	272.13
3. Forest Fires	
Forest Fire Fighting Equipment	100.00
Forest Fire Fighting	100.00
4. Tree Warden	50.00

3. HEALTH AND SANITATION

a. Meat Inspector	50.00
b. Animal Inspector	50.00
c. County Tuberculosis Hospital	125.00

4. HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION 3,000.00

5. HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE 1,700.00

6. STREET LIGHTS 1,468.00

7. SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL 500.00

8. BRIDGES AND RAILINGS 200.00

9. CHARITIES 400.00

10. SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

a. State Aid	168.00
b. Soldiers' Relief	700.00

11. COUNTY AID TO AGRICULTURE 50.00

12. EDUCATION 16,000.00

13. LIBRARY, DOG TAX AND HOLT FUND 300.00

14. ENTERPRISES AND CEMETERIES

a. Cemeteries	35.00
b. Soldiers' and Sailors	25.00

15. INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

a. Interest	600.00
b. Maturing Debt	500.00

16. REVENUE NOTES

17. TRACTOR AND MAINTENANCE 500.00

18. UNCLASSIFIED

a. Printing Reports	140.00
b. Memorial Day	50.00
c. Burleigh Common	15.00
d. Reserve Fund	300.00

NEIL S. KIBBE

NELSON M. CAREW

JOHN J. FLYNN

Selectmen of Hampden

Town Bookkeeper's Report

I. General Government

1. LEGISLATIVE

Appropriation	\$5.00
Moderator's Salary	5.00
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	\$5.00

2. SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$200.00
a. Salaries	
N. S. Kibbe	\$100.00
N. M. Carew	30.00
J. J. Flynn	30.00
b. Printing, Stationery and Postage....	10.50
c. Certifying Papers, Filing Deeds, etc	20.97
d. Errands	3.05
e. Tax Sale	53.86
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	\$248.38

3. AUDITING DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$300.00
Bookkeeper's Salary	\$232.00
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	\$232.00

4. TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$235.00
a. Salary	\$200.00	
b. Printing, Stationery and Postage....	22.00	
c. Surety Bond	25.00	
d. Standard of Weights and Measures	18.44	
e. Certifying Papers	4.00	
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5. COLLECTOR'S DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$310.00
a. Salary	\$50.00	
b. Printing, Stationery and Postage...	12.97	
c. Surety Bond	50.00	
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6. ASSESSOR'S DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$175.00
a. Salaries		
W. Bartlett	\$60.00	
R. Kibbe	30.00	
W. Temple	30.00	
b. Printing, Stationery and Postage ...	17.32	
c. Transportation	10.00	
d. Street Lists	6.00	
e. Certifying Papers	3.00	
	<hr/>	\$156.32

7. LAW DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$125.00
Legal Advice	\$74.00
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	\$74.00

8. TOWN CLERK'S DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$100.00
a. Salary	\$22.00
b. Recording Fees	24.00
c. Printing, Stationery and Postage....	15.25
d. Ballots	10.78
e. Miscellaneous	25.50
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	\$97.53

9. ELECTION AND REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$75.00
a. Salaries	
C. N. Whitaker	\$9.00
M. Casey	9.00
T. Mahar	9.00
L. Fisher	3.00
J. Swenson	3.00
H. Fulton	9.00
A. Viggers	9.00
Mrs. D. L. McCray	9.00
b. Election Booths	14.00
c. Janitor's Service	2.00
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	\$76.00

10. TOWN HALL

Appropriation	\$200.00
a. Janitors' Services	
E. Leddy	\$29.95
V. Booker	4.50
b. Fuel	22.00
c. Light	13.27
d. Supplies	2.14
e. Repairs	63.35
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	\$135.21

II. Protection of Persons and Property

1. POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$25.00
a. Salaries	
L. O. Howlett	\$4.00
R. S. Pease	9.00
A. Harris	6.00
J. Swenson	3.00
E. P. Lyons	26.00
b. Doctor	5.00
c. Collecting Dog Taxes	5.00
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	\$58.00

2. FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$100.00
Additional Appropriation	500.00
a. Salaries	\$61.40
b. Equipment	494.84
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	\$556.24

3. SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Appropriation		\$25.00
a. Salary	\$20.00	
b. Seals	1.81	
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4. FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

a. Exterminating Gypsy Moth

1. Labor

A. Peterson	\$6.00
W. J. Lyons	62.00
E. Brennan	8.00
N. Carder	12.00
E. P. Lyons	11.00

2. Spraying

40.00

b. Salary Forest Warden

10.00

c. Salary Tree Warden

46.00

 \$195.00
III. Health and Sanitation

Appropriation	\$50.00
Additional Appropriation	50.00
a. County Tuberculosis Hospital	\$105.19
b. Inspector of Animals	50.00
c. Inspector of Meats	56.50
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	\$211.69

IV. Highways

1. MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	\$2,050.00
State Appropriation	3,400.00
a. Tractor	\$314.00
b. Labor	2,965.25
c. Teams and Trucks	1,414.50
d. Stone, Gravel, etc.	339.60
e. Equipment and Repairs	29.91
f. Calcium Chloride	173.56
g. Culverts	213.12
h. Miscellaneous	5.00
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	\$5,454.94

2. CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation	\$3,000.00
State Appropriation	7,000.00
County Appropriation	7,000.00
Town Appropriation	500.00
a. Tractor	\$644.52
b. Labor	6,151.94
c. Teams and Trucks	1,674.55
d. Materials	5,352.97
e. Equipment and Repairs	132.44
f. Roller	1,009.16
g. Blasting	594.93
h. Outside Trucking	1,896.83
i. Miscellaneous	45.75
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	\$17,503.09

3. TRACTOR

Appropriation	\$300.00
Town Appropriation	745.00
a. Registration	\$2.00
b. Gasoline	160.55
c. Oil	49.70
d. Repairs	266.88
e. Miscellaneous	32.11
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	\$511.24

4. STREET LIGHTING

Appropriation	\$1,467.30
Expenses	\$1,467.36

5. BRIDGES AND RAILINGS

Appropriation	\$200.00
a. Labor	\$130.70
b. Lumber	96.35
c. Miscellaneous	6.50
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	\$233.55

6. SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL

Appropriation	\$200.00
Additional Appropriation	400.00
a. Labor	\$503.13
b. Teams	154.88
c. Miscellaneous	39.87
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	\$697.88

V. Charities and Soldiers' Benefits

1. POOR DEPARTMENT

Appropriation		\$600.00
a. Legal Action	\$400.00	
b. Provisions	2.85	
c. Miscellaneous	4.15	
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2. SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

Appropriation		\$168.00
Additional Appropriation		630.00
a. State Aid	\$162.00	
b. Soldiers' Relief	640.00	
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VI. Unclassified

1. MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation		\$75.00
a. Flowers	\$17.50	
b. Speaker	25.00	
c. Markers and Express	5.30	
d. Prizes	3.10	
e. Refreshments	25.00	
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2. PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTING TOWN REPORTS

Appropriation	\$140.00
Expense	\$131.33

3. INSURANCE

Appropriation	\$750.00
a. Fire	\$150.27
b. Liability	656.63
c. Burglary	31.00
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	\$837.90

4. BURLEIGH COMMON

Appropriation	\$30.00
a. Flowers	\$6.00
b. Care of Ground	7.00
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	\$13.00

5. AID TO COUNTY AGRICULTURE

Appropriation	\$50.00
Expenses	\$50.00

VII. Schools and Library

SCHOOLS

1. GENERAL

Appropriation	\$16,500.00
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a. Salary of School Committee	
C. I. Medick	\$60.00
R. S. Pease	30.00
L. Guptill	30.00
b. Salary of School Superintendent	402.50
c. Salary of Clerk	113.75
d. Printing, Stationery and Postage	8.08
e. Telephone	1.50
f. Traveling Expenses	12.50
g. Health	345.69
h. Miscellaneous	32.61
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	\$1,036.63

2. TEACHERS' SALARIES

a. Elementary	\$4,823.75
b. Supervisors	425.76
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	\$5,249.51

3. TEXTBOOKS AND SUPPLIES

a. Text and Reference Books	\$155.60
b. Supplies	203.58
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	\$359.18

4. TUITION

a. High	\$3,246.00
b. Vocational	1,232.50
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	\$4,478.50

5. TRANSPORTATION

a. High	\$2,703.70
b. Elementary	780.00
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	\$3,483.70

6. JANITORS' SERVICES \$507.00

7. FUEL AND LIGHT \$479.61

8. MAINTENANCE of BUILDINGS and GROUNDS

a. Repairs	\$432.47
b. Janitors' Supplies	13.57
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	\$446.04

9. FURNISHINGS and FURNITURE \$150.41

10. MISCELLANEOUS

a. Graduating	\$14.63
b. Electric Lights	125.00
c. Miscellaneous	5.65
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	\$145.28

TOTAL EXPENSES OF SCHOOLS\$16,335.86

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS\$16,625.00

LIBRARY

1. SALARIES AND WAGES

Appropriation	\$300.00
Dog Tax	159.31
Holt	35.29
a. Librarian	\$156.00
b. Janitors	
E. Leddy	20.50
V. Booker	5.50
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	\$182.00

2. BOOKS AND PERIODICALS

a. Books	\$277.26
b. Periodicals	30.75
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	\$308.01

3. MISCELLANEOUS \$24.95

TOTAL EXPENSES OF LIBRARIES \$514.96

VIII. Enterprises and Cemeteries

1. MOWRY LIBRARY BLDG. FUND

Appropriation	\$200.00
Expenses	\$200.00

2. CEMETERIES

a. Labor—Prospect Hill	\$33.50
b. Trust Funds	322.39

\$355.89

3. SOLDIERS AND SAILORS GRAVES

Appropriation	\$25.00
Expenses	\$25.00

IX. Interest and Maturing Debt

1. INTEREST

Appropriation	\$700.00
a. Anticipation of Revenue	\$543.51
b. School House Note	63.93
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	\$606.44

2. MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

War Bonus	\$351.72
Interest on War Bonus	11.94
School House	\$500.00
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	\$500.00

X. Agency and Trust Refunds and Transfer

1. COUNTY TAX	\$960.96
2. STATE TAX	1,200.00
3. AUDITING MUNICIPAL ACCTS.	398.99
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	\$2,559.95

XI. Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Revenue **\$10,000.00**

DUE TO THE TOWN OF HAMPDEN

W. S. Warriner, Insurance	\$241.01
1925 Taxes	182.89
1926 Taxes	6,087.86
Due from State—State Aid	162.00

TOWN OF HAMPDEN INDEBTEDNESS

To Springfield Institution for Savings—Loans	\$10,000.00
1924 Tax Collector—Over payment	90.09

Town Bookkeeper:

To balance the following accounts we authorize you to transfer from the Reserve Fund the following amounts.

N. S. KIBBE

J. J. FLYNN

Selectmen of Hampden

Selectmen	\$48.38
Treasurer	34.44
Election and Registration	1.00
Police	33.00
Inspection of Meats	6.50
Bridges and Railings	33.55
Highway Construction	3.09
Highway Maintenance	4.94
Snow Removal	97.88
Street Lights06

Soldiers' Relief	10.00
Library	20.36
Memorial Day90
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	\$294.10

Respectfully submitted,

BEN F. LIBBY

Bookkeeper

RECEIPTS**TAXES**

1924	\$1,450.12
1925	4,793.18
1926	16,762.70
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	\$23,006.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts Income Tax	\$2,909.22
Commonwealth of Massachusetts Corpora- tion Tax	227.14
Commonwealth of Massachusetts Bank Tax	5.74
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	\$3,142.10

SCHOOLS

Commonwealth of Massachusetts School Fund	\$475.79
Commonwealth of Massachusetts School Superintendent	191.53
Commonwealth of Massachusetts School Transportation	1,706.95
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	\$2,374.27

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Vocational Education	\$1,388.88
Commonwealth of Massachusetts High School Tuition	601.12
Commonwealth of Massachusetts High School Tuition Special Cases	2,010.18
City of Springfield School Tuition Refund	45.00
Town of Monson—Tuition	29.25
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	\$4,074.43
F. A. Wheeler—sale of junk	\$.10
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	\$6,448.80

HIGHWAYS

Commonwealth of Massachusetts—Main-tenance	\$3,400.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts Construc-tion	7,000.00
County of Hampden Construction	7,000.00
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	\$14,000.00
Town of Hampden—Tractor	\$745.00
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	\$18,145.00

LIBRARY FUND

Wm. Mowry Est.	\$3,000.00
Springfield Institution for Savings—Note No. 15	1,800.00
Town of Hampden	200.00
Interest	42.66
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	\$5,042.66

INTEREST

On Taxes	\$356.53
On Deposits	61.35
On War Bonus	35.70

 \$453.58

LOANS ON REVENUE

Springfield Institution for Savings—Note No. 14	\$15,000.00
Springfield Institution for Savings—Note No. 16	5,000.00

 \$20,000.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Town Hall Rentals	\$20.00
Sealers' Fees	7.29
Inspector of Animals	25.00
State Aid	144.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots	17.00
Sale of Library Book	2.00
County of Hampden Dog Licenses	159.31
City of Springfield Police Court Fines	65.00
Town of Hampden—Certifying Notes	4.00
Soldiers' Exemption	23.33

 \$466.93

Interest from Cemetery Trust Funds	\$138.49
Total Receipts	\$76,843.56
1925 Balance	3,772.53

 \$80,616.09

Expenditures	\$61,733.88
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Balance on Hand December 31, 1926	\$18,882.21
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TRUST FUNDS

Bumstead Fund—Cash on Hand January 1, 1925.....	\$2,183.67
Interest to July, 1926	49.12
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	\$2,232.79
Expenses	\$140.28
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Balance on Hand December 31, 1926	\$2,092.51
H. E. Stacy Fund—Cash on Hand January 1, 1926	\$179.45
Interest to July, 1926	3.85
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	\$183.30
Expenses	\$11.50
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Balance on Hand December 31, 1926	\$171.80
A. C. Burleigh Fund—Cash on Hand January 1, 1926.....	\$235.54
Interest to July, 1926	5.09
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	\$240.63
Expenses	\$14.50
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Balance on Hand December 31, 1926	\$226.13
A. S. Leonard Fund—Cash on Hand January 1, 1926	\$112.40
Interest to July, 1926	2.41
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	\$114.81
Expenses	\$7.25
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Balance on Hand December 31, 1926	\$107.56

J. R. Stoddard Fund—Cash on Hand January 1, 1926.....	\$58.36
Interest to July, 1926	1.22
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	\$59.58
Expenses	\$4.11
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Balance on Hand December 31, 1926	\$55.47
Mary Burt Fund—Cash on Hand January 1, 1926	\$230.24
Interest to July, 1926	5.00
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	\$235.24
Expenses	\$12.50
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Balance on Hand December 31, 1926	\$222.74
Marcus Beebe Fund—Cash on Hand January 1, 1926.....	\$168.13
Interest to July, 1926	3.60
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	\$171.73
Expenses	\$9.50
Balance on Hand December 31, 1926	\$162.23
Lydia Morris Fund—Cash on Hand January 1, 1926.....	\$118.92
Interest to July, 1926	2.57
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Expenses	\$9.25
Balance on Hand December 31, 1926	\$112.24
Orrin Goodwill Fund—Cash on Hand January 1, 1926....	\$233.20
Interest to July, 1926	5.04
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	\$238.24
Expenses	\$14.50
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Balance on Hand December 31, 1926	\$223.74

J. Q. Adams Fund—Cash on Hand January 1, 1926	\$113.89
Interest to July, 1926	2.43
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	\$116.32
Expenses	\$7.25
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Balance on Hand December 31, 1926	\$109.07
Betsy Chaffee Fund—Cash on Hand January 1, 1926.....	\$315.34
Interest to July, 1926	\$6.84
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	322.18
Expenses	\$9.00
Balance on Hand December 31, 1926	\$313.18
Wm. Johnson Fund—Cash on Hand January 1, 1926.....	127.87
Interest to July, 1926	2.86
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Balance on Hand December 31, 1926	\$130.73

PAYROLL—SNOW REMOVAL, HIGHWAY DEPT.

L. O. Howlett	\$126.50
A. H. Gerrish	154.88
Geo. Pond	24.00
E. J. Thresher	28.00
Ed. Luff	20.00
John Bondaski	20.00
T. Sullivan	8.00
H. Rock	4.00
Richard Joyce	14.50
C. Lemon	12.50
N. S. Kibbe	11.00
A. Bradway	9.50

Isadore Ricarde	8.25
Harry Goodwill	2.00
Joe Rioux	14.00
W. M. Pease	7.00
Austin Harris	57.75
Charles Cone	3.50
Frank McKinnon	3.00
Ignatius Bondaski	12.00
Roger Bondaski	11.00
Andrew DeGowan	14.00
Elmer Soper	2.00
Elmer Bowen	2.00
Vernon Booker	2.00
John Linden	4.00
C. N. Whitaker	13.50
Howard Bonner	1.50
Donald Howlett75
Eugene Sherbourne75
Earle Ricard	4.13
R. S. Pease	9.00
Warren Dickenson	12.50
Ralph Hatch	4.00
A. Peterson	1.50
Geo. Patric	10.50
W. D. McCray	4.00
L. R. Fisher	6.00

HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

L. O. Howlett	\$782.00
A. H. Gerrish	427.50
Geo. Pond	252.50
M. Carder	181.50

Chas. Battige	438.00
E. P. Lyons	562.50
E. J. Thrasher	28.00
L. R. Fisher	42.00
Harry Goodwill	24.50
Howard Isham	189.00
C. W. Whitaker	284.50
Ed. Gordon	200.50
Roger Bandoski	16.00
Fred Battige	66.00
Geo. Patric	26.00
Ed. Luff	106.00
W. D. McCray	266.50
Chas. Lemon	92.00
Francis Eldridge	45.00
Tom Welch	56.00
John Avery	47.00
John Flynn	7.00
Dan Flynn	4.00
Albert Bradway	19.25
Austin Harris	25.00
Stephen Rice	32.00
Geo. West	33.00
Isadore Ricard	47.50
Russell Ricard	19.00
Peter Buffer	19.00
Matthew Witkop	12.00
D. L. McCray	8.00
R. S. Pease	32.00

HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

L. O. Howlett	\$1,208.00
Ed. Gordon	290.00
Geo. Pond	399.00
M. Carder	373.00
Chas. Lemon	274.00
A. H. Gerrish	572.63
John Richards	397.00
R. S. Pease	424.00
N. S. Kibbee	437.50
C. F. Wilson	84.00
Ed. Manning	86.80
John Hobert	50.00
Victor Strum	30.00
E. P. Lyons	607.50
Francis Eldridge	395.50
Stephen Rice	401.00
Russell Ricard	24.00
Austin Harris	69.95
A. Beadle	414.20
W. D. McCray	555.00
Norman Canedy	8.00
Frank Moore	16.00
Walter Pittsinger	3.50
R. E. Kibbee	120.00
Dearden Trucking Co.	2,190.75
Fred T. Ley Co., Inc.	10.00
Tom Welch	235.00
L. R. Fisher	47.00
E. J. Thrasher	35.00
Harold Thrasher	2.00
Harold Young	4.00
Raymond Schneloch	31.82
Stanley Bandoski	7.50

Bolac Bandoski	3.50
E. E. Christensen	110.63
Howard Isham	120.50
John Swenson	2.00
Ray Derling	2.00
A. H. Lawton	20.00
Matthew Witkop	30.00
Geo. West	8.00
C. N. Whitaker	8.00

January 18, 1927

I have examined the books of the Town of Hampden for the year 1926 and find them correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

RAYMOND S. SMITH,
Town Auditor

PAYROLL—BRIDGES AND RAILINGS, HIGHWAY DEPT.

L. O. Howlett	\$62.00
Ed. Gordon	4.00
Geo. Pond	22.50
M. Carder	4.00
A. H. Gerrish	22.20
Stephen Rice	4.00
R. S. Pease	4.00
Raymond Kibbe	8.00

Total	\$130.70
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Town Clerk's Report

1926

Births recorded Jan. 1, 1926, to Dec. 31, 1926.....	13
Males	7
Females	6
American born parentage	11
Foreign born parentage	2
Marriages recorded Jan. 1, 1926, to Dec. 31, 1926.....	9
Deaths recorded Jan. 1, 1926, to Dec. 31, 1926.....	8
Males	4
Females	4
American born	6
Foreign born	2
Documents recorded	3
Dog licenses issued	80

Receipts

49 Male dog licenses at \$2 each	\$98.00
14 Female dog licenses at \$5 each.....	70.00
17 Spayed dog licenses at \$2 each.....	34.00
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	\$202.00

Expenditures

Clerk's fees, 80 at 20 cents each	\$16.00
Paid County Treasurer	186.00
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	\$202.00

Fish and Game Receipts

71 Resident combination certificates issued to Dec. 31, 1926, at \$2.25 each	\$159.75
3 Resident citizens' trapping licenses at \$2.25 each.....	6.75
3 Minor trappers' licenses at \$0.75 each	2.25
5 Non-res. citizens' sporting licenses at \$15.25.....	76.25
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	\$245.00

Expenditures

Paid Commissioner on Fisheries and Game	\$224.50
Clerk's fees on 82 certificates at \$0.25 each	20.50
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	\$245.00

C. I. BURLEIGH, Town Clerk.

Hampden, Mass., December 31, 1926

Assessors' Report

Number of Residents Assessed	224
Number of Non-Residents Assessed	80
Number of Persons Assessed on Property	304
Number of All Others Assessed	9
Number of Persons Assessed Poll Only	46
Number of Male Polls Assessed	216

Tax Rate per \$1000	\$40.00
Committed for Collection	\$22,857.56
Taxes Abated	\$51.96
Value of Assessed per Estate	\$81,569.00
Value of Buildings Without Land	\$262,270.00
Value of Land Without Buildings	\$216,800.00

Total Valuation	\$560,639.00
Tax on Polls	\$432.00
Tax on Personal	3,262.76
Tax on Real Estate	19,162.80
Total	\$22,857.56

Estimated Receipts	\$11,502.50
State Tax	\$1,200.00
State Accountant Tax	398.99
County Tax	960.98
Overlay for Year	142.66

Appropriations, Town of Hampden, Year 1926

Town Roads	\$2,550.00
County Aid to Agriculture	50.00
Street Lights	1,467.30
Graves of Soldiers and Sailors	25.00
Suppression of Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths	272.13
Fire Fighting Equipment	500.00
Macadam State Road	3,000.00
Electric Lights School House No. 2	125.00
Moderator	5.00
Selectmen's Department	
Salary	160.00
Incidentals	40.00
Accounting Department	300.00
Treasurer's Department	235.00
Collector's Department	310.00
Assessor's Department	175.00
Law Department	125.00
Town Clerk's Department	100.00
Election and Registration	75.00
Town Hall	200.00
Police Department	25.00
Insurance	750.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	25.00
Forest Warden	10.00
Forest Fire Fighting; Planting and Trimming Trees;	
Tree Warden	50.00
Inspection of Meats	50.00
Inspection of Animals	50.00
Snow and Ice Removal	200.00
Bridges and Railings	200.00
Charities	600.00
State Aid	168.00
Soldiers' Relief	630.00

Education	16,500.00
Library, Dog Tax, Holt Fund	300.00
Interest	700.00
School House Note	140.00
Maintenance Tractor	300.00
Printing Town Reports	140.00
Memorial Day	75.00
Monument and Common	30.00
Reserve Fund	300.00

Special Town Meeting March 27

Snow Removal	\$400.00
Town Library	200.00

Total \$31,657.43

Number of Horses Assessed	135
Number Cows Assessed	425
Number Neat Cattle	138
Number Swine Assessed	17
Number Dwelling Houses	211
Number Fowl	5,065
Number Acres Land	12,033

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER R. BARTLETT

WALTER E. TEMPLE

RAYMOND E. KIBBE

Assessors of Hampden

Report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures

Number of Scales Sealed, 12—Fees for Same	\$4.55
Number of Measures Sealed, 8—Fees for Same24
Number of Oil Pumps Sealed, 2—Fees for Same50
Number of Gas Pumps Sealed, 4—Fees for Same	2.00
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Paid Town Treasurer Sealer's Fees	\$7.29

Tested Gas Pumps from 3 to 5 Times During Year.

Salary Received, \$20.00.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN SWENSON

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Report of Forest Warden

April 14, Fire on Chase Farm, about 50 acres burned over, 44 men attended; costs paid by Mr. Chase who had permit	\$37.20
April 16, Fire on Balair Farm, about 100 acres burned over, 24 men attended; cause of fire unknown, cost Town	41.20
May 24, Fire on Sammett Farm, about 2 acres burned over, 16 men attended; cause of fire unknown, cost Town	16.20
Cost from Town Funds	<hr/> \$57.40
Paid by Mr. Chase	37.20
Total Cost for Fighting Forest Fires	<hr/> \$94.60

Permits Issued, 112.

Salary Received, \$10.00.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN SWENSON

Forest Warden

Meat Inspector's Report

From January 1, 1926 to December 31, 1926.

Veal	70 Head
Hogs	38 Head
Beef	5 Head
Total	113 Head

All Number One

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE F. SHAW

Meat Inspector

Report of Cemetery Commissioners

Paid from income of Trust Funds

Richard Joyce, Grinding Lawn Mower	\$1.00
N. M. Carew, Lead and Oil	39.27
Wm. Gardner, Labor	39.38
Ralph Isham, Labor	31.00
Geo. Ferguson, Labor	66.85
D. L. McCray, Labor	62.14
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	\$239.64

Prospect Hill Cemetery

Ralph Isham, Team, Machine and Labor	\$25.50
Geo. Ferguson, Labor	4.00
D. L. McCray, Labor	4.00
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	\$33.50

Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves

Appropriation	\$25.00
D. L. McCray, Labor, Soil, Fertilizer and Grass Seed	25.00

Respectfully submitted,

D. L. McCRAY
D. RALPH ISHAM
GEO. S. FERGUSON

Cemetery Commissioners

Tax Collector's Report

Taxes of 1925

Uncollected December 31, 1925	\$4,998.88
Paid Town Treasurer	4,815.99
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Uncollected	\$182.89

Taxes of 1926

Committed for Collection	\$22,857.56
Paid Town Treasurer	16,769.70
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Uncollected	6,087.86

Respectfully submitted,

D. L. McCRAY

Collector

Library Trustees' Report

Appropriation	\$300.00
Dog Fund	159.31
Available from Holt Fund	35.29
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Total Funds Available	\$494.60

Expended:

Librarian	\$156.00
Janitor	25.00
Books	277.26
Magazines	30.75
Incidentals	2.85
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	\$491.86

Unexpended	\$2.74
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With the number of books to be rebound or replaced and the advance in price of books, magazines, etc., we recommend for the following year \$400.00 and the Dog Fund.

Respectfully submitted

ARLINE HOWLETT
ELIZABETH SESSIONS
ELEANOR B. PARSONS

Librarian's Report

Circulation of Books	6743
Books Bought	146
Books Donated	134
Magazines Bought	10
Magazines Donated	12

Donors of Books: Mrs. Bowen, 1; City Library Association, 64; Commission, 18; Mrs. Fanny Jones, 50; E. Sherburne, 1.

Donors of Magazines: Mrs. Eva Barney, 1; Miss Eunice Beek, 1; Christian Herald, 1; Commission, 2; Dearborns, 1; Rev. H. F. Fulton, 4; Improvement League, 1; Mrs. Fanny Jones, 1.

A box of traveling library books came in December from the Library Aid Association.

The library hours are from 2:30 to 5:30 and from 6:30 to 9:00 o'clock on Saturdays.

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL M. BURLEIGH

Librarian

REPORT

OF THE

School Committee

OF THE

TOWN OF HAMPDEN

Including the Report of the Superintendent of Schools

For the Year Ending December 31

1926

Report of the School Committee of Hampden

School Committee

LUCIAN H. GUPTILL	Term Expires 1927
ROBERT S. PEASE	Term Expires 1928
CHARLES F. MEDICKE	Term Expires 1929

Organization

CHARLES F. MEDICKE, Chairman

FREDERICK A. WHEELER, Supt. of Schools and Secretary

ROBERT S. PEASE, Attendance Officer

DR. A. A. STARBUCK, Physician

The following sums have been or are to be paid into the Town Treasury on account of schools.

General School Fund, Part I	\$1,443.57
General School Fund, Part II	475.79
High School Tuition	2,010.18
High School Transportation	1,706.95
Superintendent's Account	191.53
State Ward Tuition	601.12
Vocational Tuition	701.25
Vocational Transportation	821.21
Town of Monson	29.25
Total	<u>\$7,980.85</u>

The Town appropriated \$16,500.00 for all school purposes and a summary of expenditures.

Elementary Schools

Superintendent's Salary	\$364.98
Superintendent's Expenses	201.02
Supervisors	434.76
Teachers	4,823.75
Text Books	147.99
School Supplies	191.84
Janitors	500.00
Fuel	473.66
Miscellaneous Operating Expense	76.55
Repairs	533.89
Health	345.19
Transportation	780.00
New Equipment	27.45
School Committee	127.58
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Total	\$9,028.66

High and Vocational Schools

High School Tuition	\$3,246.00
Vocational Tuition	1,232.50
High and Vocational Transportation	2,703.70
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Total	\$7,182.20
Elementary Schools	\$9,028.66
High and Vocational Schools	7,182.20
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Total Expenditures	\$16,210.86

Appropriations	\$16,500.00
Expenditures	16,210.86
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	289.14
Refund from Springfield	45.00
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Balance	\$334.14

A special appropriation of \$125.00 for wiring West Side School was used for that purpose.

The school committee has canvassed the situation regarding pupils going to Springfield next Fall and estimate that there will be 44 to 46 pupils.

44 pupils mean an expenditure of	\$61.60
46 pupils mean an expenditure of	62.80

The school committee recommends an appropriation of \$17,900, of which the following is the estimated summary:

Superintendence	\$565.00
Supervisors	445.00
Teachers	5,000.00
Text Books and Supplies	300.00
Janitors	500.00
Fuel	475.00
Miscellaneous Operating Expenses	100.00
Repairs	300.00
Elementary Transportation	600.00

Health	375.00
Miscellaneous Account	40.00
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Total for Elementary Schools	\$8,700.00
High School Tuition	\$6,200.00
High School Transportation	3,000.00
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Total High Schools	\$9,200.00
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Total for all school purposes	\$17,900.00

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. MEDICKE

ROBERT S. PEASE

LUCIAN H. GUPTILL

School Committee

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of Hampden:

Gentlemen:

Herewith is submitted my report as superintendent of schools for the year ending December 31, 1926.

Improvements

Attention is called to the improvements made in the school-houses during the past year. These would properly be recorded in the report of the school committee except for the fact that the school committee usually confines its report to a financial statement.

The Center and West Side buildings have been equipped with copper screens. This has helped greatly in the fight with house flies, which every fall swarm about the buildings. In a short time the screens will pay for themselves many times over by saving the paint of the ceilings from being fly specked, by making it much easier for the children to apply themselves to their studies, and by safeguarding the children from the contagions which are commonly spread by flies.

The West Side school has been equipped with electric lights. Only the teacher who is called on during the dark days of winter, unaided by artificial light, to carry on the program of the schools can fully appreciate this improvement. In accordance with the plan agreed on a year ago an article should be inserted in the annual

town warrant to see if the town will make an appropriation for installing electric lights at the Center school during the coming summer.

Slate blackboards have been installed at the Scantic school. The wooden boards which had served for so long in that school, though frequently repainted, could not be kept in satisfactory condition. Their smooth surfaces did not take chalk well, and reflected a glaring light, so that their use was hard for the eyes of the pupils.

All these projects, screening the buildings, equipping with electric lights, and installing slate boards have been hygienic measures, and aim to promote and safeguard the physical well being of the children.

Center School Well

The water supply at the Center school comes from a drilled well. This well is 105 feet deep. It goes down 52 feet to bed rock, and 62 feet to the water level. A six inch pipe goes down to the bed rock. Within this is enclosed an inch and a quarter pipe, which goes down to a depth of 68 feet. The yield of the well is one half gallon per minute.

Because of complaints which came regarding the smell and the taste of the water, last summer at the request of the school department an analysis of the water was made by Philip H. Smith, official chemist of the Massachusetts Agricultural Experiment Station. Regarding his analysis Mr. Smith wrote as follows: "The water shows no indication of pollution. It contains a large amount of iron which gives it a disagreeable taste and appearance, but is not injurious. I know of no remedy for the trouble."

Changes in the Laws Relating to State Grants

Grants to the town of Hampden in accordance with the provisions of the General School Fund Law, Part II, were unfavorably

affected by the state triennial valuation of 1925. The valuation of the town of May 3, 1922, was set at \$554,474, that of April 3, 1925, at \$680,335. Without going into details, it may suffice to state that the increase in the valuation cut down the amount which the town received under the Assured Minimum provision of the law from \$1,198.04 in 1925 to \$470.14 in 1926.

In response to appeals from the towns which lost heavily in state grants because of the state valuation of 1925, the legislature of 1926 amended the law. The amended law groups towns on the basis of the proportional part of the state tax paid by each. The effect is favorable to Hampden, which may expect to receive approximately \$500 more in 1926 than it did in 1925 under Part II.

High School Enrollment for 1927

This year's eighth grade has a membership of twenty one pupils. The graduating class should be, so far as I know, the largest that the Hampden schools have ever had. It seems probable that this will mean a substantial increase next fall in the number of Hampden pupils enrolled in the schools of Springfield. The budget estimate for 1927 should take this fact into consideration. Ten additional pupils in Springfield would mean an increase of not less than \$1,200 in the annual tuition charges.

Professional Improvements

Last summer Mrs. Flynn and Mrs. Thayer, our grammar School teachers, took university extension courses in the teaching of elementary English, and were granted certificates of credit for the successful completion of the courses. Mrs. Flynn also was awarded a certificate of credit for the completion of a course in the teaching of geography. These professional courses, voluntarily taken at a cost of time and money by teachers who are already graduates of normal

schools for the purpose of still further enriching their equipment as teachers, in many cities receive recognition in the teachers' salary schedules.

Closing the Scantic School

For several years the committee has considered the advisability of closing the Scantic school and transporting the pupils from that neighborhood to the Center school. The school is never large. Last year there were nine pupils enrolled. At present there are eight. As these eight children are distributed through all the grades from the first to the eighth, the number in each grade is too small to form a class, and the teaching is largely individual work.

The school in the Newell district has been closed since 1916. For the current year the town is paying \$600 for the transportation of the Newell school children. The minimum cost of maintaining a school in the district would be no less than a thousand dollars, so that the closing of this school effects a saving of at least \$400 annually in the school budget. A like saving would come from closing the Scantic school.

Enlarging the Center School

The closing of the Scantic school is linked up with the proposal to add one room to the Center schoolhouse. The two rooms at the Center under present conditions are overcrowded. For two years a considerable number of children living between the Center and the West Side schools, who would attend in the Center primary school if there was room for them, have been taken to the West Side. This congestion would not be relieved by taking out the children from the Newell school district, but would be made greater by bringing in the children from the Scantic district.

At the last annual town meeting a move was made looking toward the building of an additional class room and the installation of water closets at the Center school. This project, if carried out,

will greatly improve conditions. With three teachers in the building the number of grades given each teacher would be reduced. Now each teacher has four grades. With an additional teacher probably one teacher would be given grades 1, 2, and 3, another, grades 4, 5, and 6, and the third, grades 7 and 8. There would be more specialization on the part of the teachers and by that much our teachers would be more nearly on an even footing with the teachers of Springfield, with whose pupils our children must compete after completing our eighth grade. Unless the population of the town should increase more rapidly than there seems reason to expect, these three rooms would furnish seats for all the school children of the Newell and the Scantic districts as well as of the Center district for many years to come.

What would such a project cost the town? If a third teacher should be engaged for the Center school, there would be no saving in teachers' salaries effected by closing the Scantic school. The expense for transportation from the Scantic and the Newell districts plus the salary of the additional teacher at the Center school would be about equal to the cost of maintaining the Newell and the Scantic schools. The justification for closing the schools and bringing in the children would be found in the more favorable circumstances under which the children would be schooled. The children of the Scantic, the Newell, and the Center districts would all share alike *in the benefits that would follow.*

While there would be no additional cost for support of schools, the enlarging of the Center schoolhouse would mean an outlay and probably a bond issue. The new room equipped for use and the water closets completely installed would cost not less than \$6,000. If this money should be raised by a bond issue, the bonds to be retired at the rate of \$300 annually, the addition to the taxes of the town would be at first upwards of \$500 annually, but this amount would gradually decrease until the last bond was paid.

It is perfectly practicable to install water closets at the Center school, securing the necessary supply of water by the use of a motor pump and a pressure tank, and disposing of the sewage by means of septic tanks. Such installations were put in at Wilbraham Street and North Wilbraham schools several years ago and have worked with entire satisfaction.

The project seems to me well worth the consideration of the citizens of the town. There can be no question regarding the improved situation in which the schools would find themselves. Hampden is a progressive town. It is getting improved roads; it has made provision for the better housing of its public library; it makes a strong appeal to families whose business is in Springfield to make their homes in Hampden. I am convinced that this project, if carried out, would make Hampden a still better town in which to live and would well repay the citizens for all expenditures involved in carrying it through.

Respectfully submitted,

FREDERIC A. WHEELER.

Report of the Committe on an Addition to the Center School

Your committee recognizes the advantages that would come from a third room at the Center schoolhouse and recommends the appointment of a committee to secure plans and estimates and the appropriation of a sum of money for its use, this committee to report at a subsequent Town Meeting.

CHARLES F. MEDICKE

L. H. GUPTILL

ROBERT S. PEASE

D. L. McCRAY

PAYROLL FOR SCHOOL DEPT.

Lucy A. Slight	\$920.00
Catherine Flynn	1,020.00
Anna Burleigh	826.50
Louise Thayer	994.75
Maude Tait	540.00
Helen Tower	237.76
Signe Polson	270.00
Fred A. Wheeler	415.00
Emily Cormier	113.75
Ethel C. Morse	197.00
C. I. Burleigh	200.00
Julia O'Brien	206.00
Mrs. Walter Temple	100.00
Lenora Twohig	114.00
Marg. May	355.50
Emily T. Dickinson	54.00
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Total	\$6,684.26

TABLE OF STATISTICS

School Calendar, 1927

Fall Term: Tuesday, September 6, to Friday, December 23.

Winter Term: Monday, January 3, to Friday, February 25.

Spring Term: Monday, March 7, to Friday, April 29.

Summer Term: Monday, May 9, to Thursday, June 23.

Holidays:

Tuesday, February 22, Washington's Birthday.

Tuesday, April 19, Patriot's Day.

Monday, May 30, Memorial Day.

Wednesday, October 12, Columbus Day.

Wednesday Noon, November 23, to Monday, November 28,
Thanksgiving Day Recess.

School Census, October 1, 1926

	Boys	Girls	Total
Persons 5 to 7 years old	12	10	22
Persons 7 to 14 years old	55	48	103
Persons 14 to 16 years old	19	8	27
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Totals	86	66	152

School Membership and Attendance, 1925-1926

Name of School	Aggregate Attendance	Average Attendance	Total Membership	Average Membership	Per Cent of Attendance	Cases of Tardiness	Cases of Dismissal
CENTER:							
Mrs. Flynn	4,380.5	24.76	27	26.32	93.4	74	9
Miss Slight	5,767	32.27	41	34.78	93	111	6
WEST SIDE:							
Mrs. Thayer	4,972.5	27.73	33	28.94	95.7	51	20
Mrs. Booker	3,263	18.3	27	19	94	27	
SCANTIC:							
Miss Tait	1,792.5	9.93	11	10.2	97	10	
	20,175.5	112.99	139	119.24	473.1	273	35

Membership by Schools and Grades, December, 1926

Name of School	Number of Grade								Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Center	8	6	6	8	16	3	7	9	63
West Side	3	4	5	11	6	6	7	10	52
Scantic	1	1		2			1	3	8
Totals	12	11	11	21	22	9	15	22	123

Grammar School Graduates, June, 1926

Helen I. Ackerman	Vera Evelyn Howlett
Victoria Agnes Caesar	Wesley Newell Isham
David L. Duteau	Robert William Howlett
Harold Frederic Green	
Peter F. Katawicz	Eugene Sherburne
Woodrow L. Kavanaugh	Dorothy Mildred Westerberg
Joseph Kirbirstis	Gerald Vincent Witkop
Chester L. Pease	

Number of Pupils Attending Springfield Schools, December, 1926

State Street Junior High School	12
Central High School	2
High School of Commerce	7
Technical High School	5
Vocational School	8
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Total	34

HONOR ROLL

On Honor Roll of Springfield High Schools One or More Times During 1925

(No mark lower than B)

Eleanor B. Hyde	Miriam Perkins
Frederick Luippold	Dorothy Spencer
Marjorie McKinnon	Madeline Spencer
Muriel Pease	

The name of Eleanor B. Hyde, a Technical High School graduate, through an oversight, was omitted from the honor rolls published in the school reports for 1924 and 1925. Throughout her high school course Miss Hyde's standing was very high. Her name is added to this year's list that the record of our honor pupils in Springfield may be complete.

Awarded Final Certificates by the A. N. Palmer Co., 1926 for Excellence in Penmanship

Victoria Caesar

Perfect Attendance, 1925-1926

Reginald Temple

Awarded Physical Efficiency Buttons During 1926

Esther Ackerman

Clifford Martin

Ada Bartlett

Chester Pease

Victoria Caesar

Alice Phillips

Harold Corey

George Phillips

Cecile Duquette

Elva Reilly

Melba Goodwill

Jean Roux

Harold Green

Evelyn Samut

Vera Howlett

Betty Smith

David Joyce

Dorothy Westerberg

Edward Leddy

Helen Witkop

John Luzetkeia

CORPS OF TEACHERS, JANUARY 1, 1927

Center School

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

Lucy A. Slight, Hampden, Grades 1 to 4

West Side School

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

Mrs. Anna B. Booker, Hampden, Grades 1 to 4

Scantie School

Margaret E. May, Hampden

Supervisor of Music

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

Supervisor of Drawing

Mrs. Helen B. Tower, 23 Haskins St., Springfield

Superintendent of Schools

Frederic A. Wheeler, East Longmeadow

Superintendent's Clerk

Emily O. Cormier, East Longmeadow

School Physician

Dr. A. A. Starbuck, East Longmeadow

School Nurse

Signe L. Polson, 36 Summit St., Springfield