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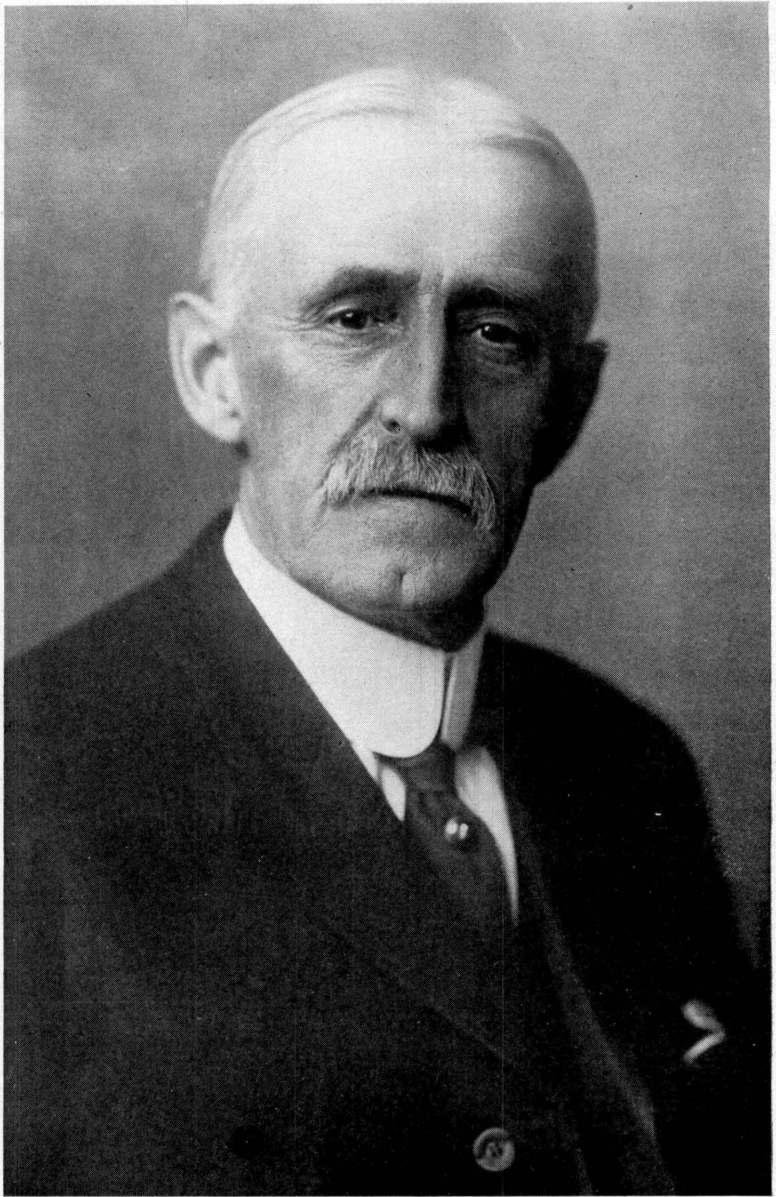
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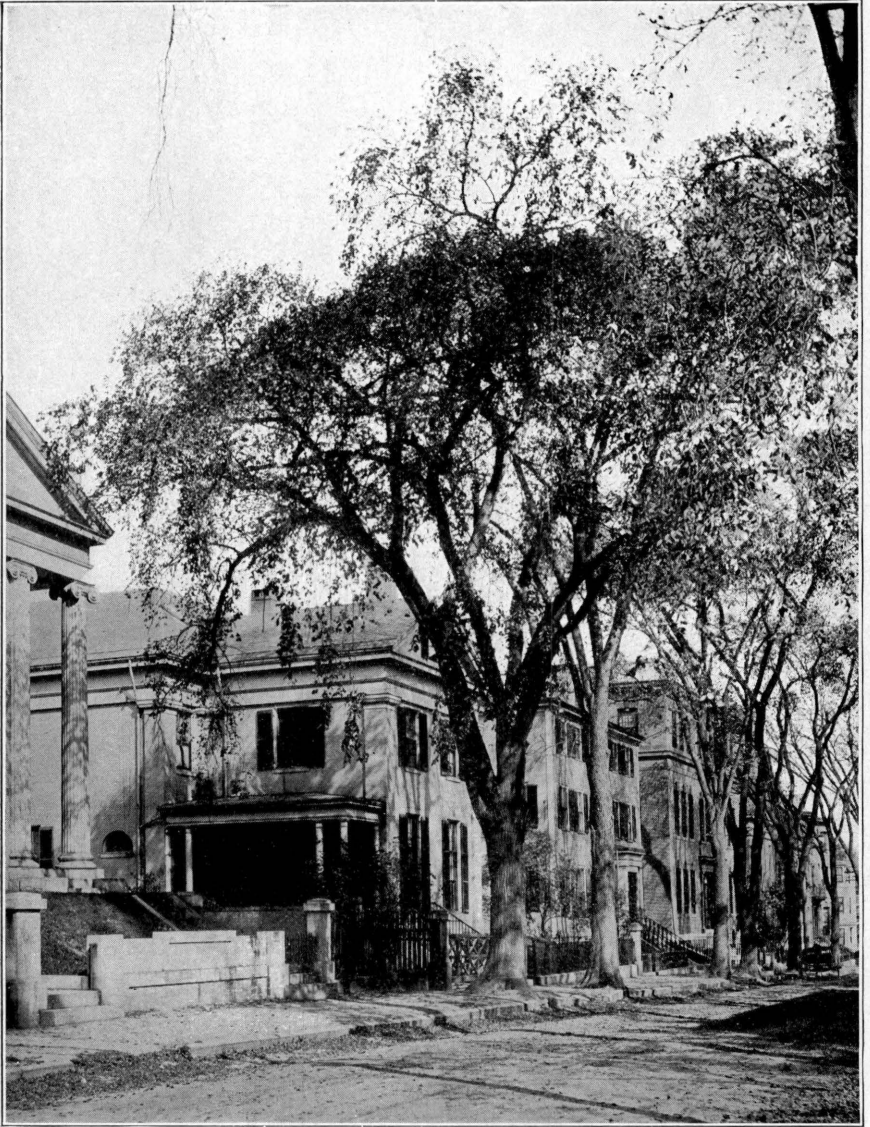


Hon. E. B. Winslow

REPORTS
OF THE
TRUSTEES AND PRINCIPAL
OF THE
MAINE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF
IN PORTLAND
FROM
December 31, 1914, to December 31, 1916



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Taylor Hall

Brownson Hall

School Building



School Building

TRUSTEES' REPORT.

To His Excellency Oakley C. Curtis and the Honorable Executive Council:

The Report of the Trustees of the Maine School for the Deaf for the years 1915 and 1916 is herewith submitted.

The present Board is made up of representative citizens of the State of Maine who have given the School the benefit of their sound judgment and undivided interest during the past two years.

The Board has been successful in retaining the services of Miss Taylor as Principal, resulting in the continuation of her methods which have been so effective in the past. She has been ably supported by a staff of loyal assistants.

This Report is supplemented by the report of our Principal, which states in detail the fine results which have been accomplished, also citing very completely what recommendations she makes for 1917 and 1918. These improvements have been carefully gone over and are absolutely necessary to insure the School's future welfare.

Far the most important is an addition to our new hall to contain living and recreation rooms for the younger children. In the past the State has treated the Maine School for the Deaf very generously, and the funds so obtained, I am proud to say, have been carefully spent. I feel that we can say without any exaggeration that no State money has been used more advantageously than that which has been given to our School. The Board, therefore, hopes that the funds will be forthcoming to build this addition at the earliest possible moment.

The number of pupils has steadily increased from three in 1876 to one hundred and two in 1916. These are divided nearly equally as regards sex; there being fifty-five boys and forty-seven girls now receiving training to fit themselves for useful and successful lives.

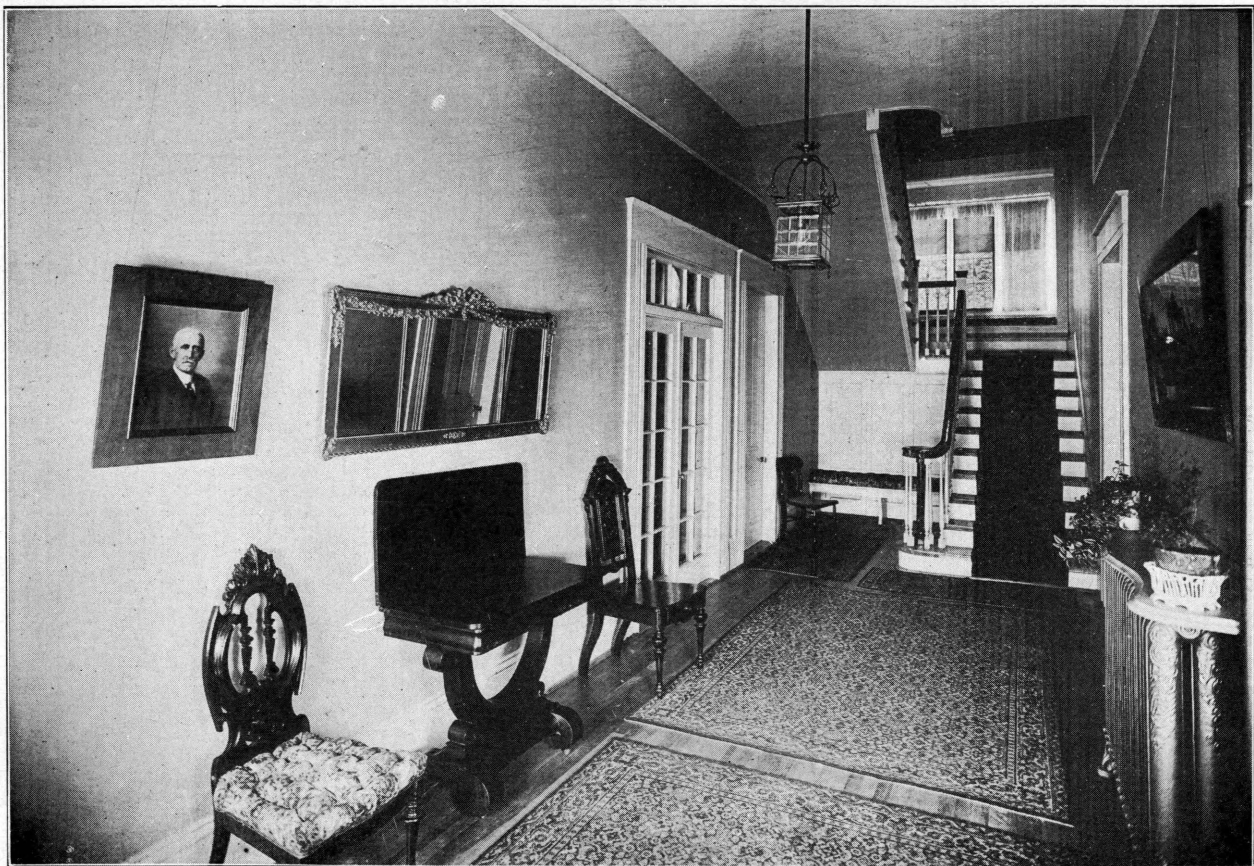
We would also call your attention to the Winslow Hall project: This has been completed inside the appropriation and is now in use. The building came up fully to the expectations and these new accommodations have greatly increased the efficiency of the School.

Both the Board and Faculty are very much pleased with the number of visitors who have inspected the School during the past few years, and hope that many more will avail themselves of the opportunity in the near future.

In closing we hope that we will be favored by the continued service of our Principal and assistants during the ensuing two years so that the present policy can be carried on, insuring further progress in this department of Public Education of the State of Maine.

Respectfully submitted for the Board,

EDWARD B. WINSLOW, *President.*



Entrance Winslow Hall.

MAINE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.
TREASURER'S REPORT.

FOR TWO YEARS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1916.

1915	Appropriation by the State for Maintenance	\$28,000 00	
	Appropriation by the State for New Build- ings	12,000 00	
	Deficit for 1914	545 26	
	Miscellaneous Receipts	243 10	
		\$40,788 36	
1916	Appropriation by the State for Maintenance	\$28,000 00	
	Miscellaneous Receipts	281 13	
		28,281 13	
	Total Debit	\$69,069 49	

EXPENSES.

	1915	1916	Total
Services and expenses of trustees.....	\$169 95	\$164 35	\$334 30
Salaries, teachers literary department..	9,073 33	9,120 00	18,193 33
Salaries, teachers industrial department	2,045 00	2,074 33	4,119 33
Wages of employees	3,712 50	3,812 48	7,524 98
Fuel and light	3,435 07	3,458 02	6,893 09
Water and ice	235 90	379 21	615 11
Groceries and provisions	1,875 11	1,760 70	3,635 81
Butter, eggs and milk	1,359 46	1,506 72	2,866 18
Meats and fish	1,059 81	1,275 57	2,335 38
Laundry	54 98	52 30	107 28
Books, periodicals and school supplies	318 02	180 78	498 80
Medicine and attendance	34 43	76 04	110 47
Manual training and miscellaneous sup- plies	816 94	1,074 95	1,891 89
Household furnishings	529 75	1,343 92	1,873 67
Repairs to buildings and grounds.....	3,038 08	1,487 17	4,525 25
Insurance	248 40	327 30	575 70
Telephone, postage, stationery and printing	172 87	127 43	300 30
Travelling expenses and sundries.....	61 38	39 02	100 40
	\$28,240 98	\$28,260 29	\$56,501 27
Deficit at close of year 1914			545 30
Special Appropriation for land and buildings.....			12,000 00
			\$69,046 57
Total payments			\$69,046 57
December 31, 1916, Balance			22 92

Respectfully submitted,

ROSWELL C. BRADFORD,

Treasurer.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

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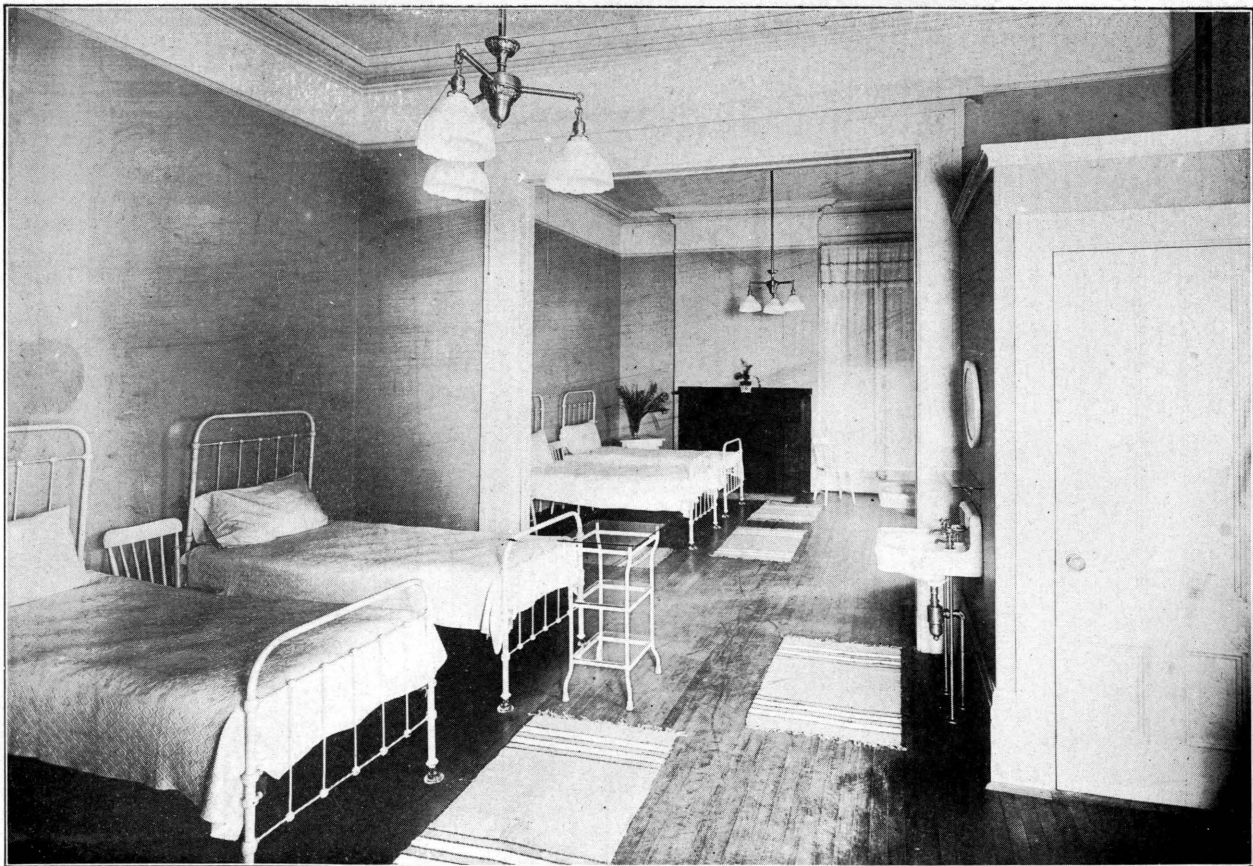
Watchman.

HUGO MEYER.



Corridor.





Hospital, Winslow Hall.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT.

To the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for the Deaf:

GENTLEMEN:—In submitting the report of the work of the Maine School for the Deaf for the years 1915 and 1916, it may be well to call your attention to the fact that in November of this year the school completed the fortieth year of its usefulness, having been started as a day school through the beneficence of several influential citizens of Portland in 1876, with a nucleus of three pupils.

	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Enrollment January 1, 1915.....	58	47	105
Admitted during the year.....	5	2	7
Total enrollment for the year.....	63	49	112
Left during the year.....	5	1	6
Enrollment December 31, 1915.....	58	48	106

1916.

Enrollment January 1, 1916.....	58	48	106
Admitted during the year.....	9	6	15
Total enrollment for the year.....	67	54	121
Left during the year.....	12	7	19
Enrollment December 31, 1916.....	55	47	102

HEALTH.

No serious illness among the pupils has occurred during the last two years with the exception of a case of appendicitis in February and a broken leg in May of the current year. We are indebted to the Maine General Hospital for treatment and the complete recovery of both patients.

Three cases of measles developed a week before the beginning of the last summer vacation and it was decided to close the school immediately to prevent the spread of the disease.

In November, 1915, Joseph Langlois, a day pupil, a bright boy of six years, died at the home of his grandmother after a short illness.

The school has been fortunate in securing the services of Dr. Harriet M. Lewis, who will reside in the building and have the immediate care of the health of the children. Dr. Lewis will co-operate with the school physician, Dr. Richard D. Small, who has so successfully treated the children for the past eight years.

While we have been fortunate in the general good health of our pupils the teaching force has been depleted, during the last biennial period, by the death of two teachers and the resignation of two others because of ill-health.

LITERARY DEPARTMENT.

May 22nd, 1915, Miss Mary L. Divine died after a few days' illness and November 6th, of the present year, Miss Lena E. Adams died, having been obliged to give up teaching the March previous because of ill-health.

Miss Divine had been first assistant to the principal for twenty years and Miss Adams had been a teacher in the school for five years. Both were unusually successful in their work and had given lavishly of their strength for the betterment of the children under their care. The double loss was deeply felt by pupils and fellow teachers, to whom they had endeared themselves. The gentle, loyal devotion of Miss Divine and the cheery, buoyant spirit of Miss Adams, from both of whom the children always received the most kindly consideration, added much to the daily life of all with whom they came in contact and will be sadly missed.

In June, 1915, Miss Margaret J. Worcester resigned and in June, 1916, Miss Estelle M. Draper resigned because of ill-health. Both had given valued services in the school and their resignations were accepted with regret. Miss Draper had been a successful teacher in the school for twenty-six years and Miss Worcester for eight years.

The vacancies were filled by the appointment of Miss Louisa T. Young, who has had long experience in the work, as first assistant; Miss Frances F. Carter and Miss Florence E. Carter of Bethel, Maine, who had been teaching in the North Carolina



Small Girls' Sitting-room, Winslow Hall.

School for the Deaf and Miss Phyllis C. Macomber of Seal Harbor, Maine, from the Illinois School.

Miss Bertha L. Dennison of Portland, trained in the Normal Class of the Clarke School at Northampton, Massachusetts, was appointed to take charge of a new class formed.

It may be of interest to note that the teachers of this school are to be included in the pensions granted to teachers in the public schools of Maine, but \$150 a year seems a poor return for a person with broken health after twenty-six years' faithful, unselfish devotion to the deaf children of the State and even that meagre allowance not available until the applicant has reached the age of sixty years.

The work of teaching the deaf is not a sinecure, but is a continual drain on the nervous system, thus lowering the tone of the general health and making a person more susceptible to maladies of various kinds. It is respectfully suggested that special provision be made for teachers and other employes of this school who give so unstintingly of their nervous energy, strength, patience and intellectual ability.

Augusta F. Eustis and Ernest H. Wadlin, graduates of our school, successfully and creditably passed the examinations for admission to the Preparatory Class of Gallaudet College in September of this year and are now pursuing the course with profit and pleasure.

HOUSEHOLD AND INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENTS.

By referring to the Financial Report of the Treasurer it will be seen that we have kept within our appropriation for maintenance. This necessitated the strictest economy in each and every expenditure, though no deviation has been made from the custom of purchasing only materials of the best quality and ample quantity.

It seems unnecessary to refer to the increasing cost of all necessities, as this burden is being borne by all, but it has required much serious thought and close financiering to make the income, estimated two years ago, meet the expanding prices of the present time.

The Industrial Department is doing good work as has been shown by our numerous public exhibitions and by the practical work that was done during the re-modeling and furnishing of

Winslow Hall; a representative from two different labor organizations calling in person to express their disapproval of the skill of the pupils being put to such practical uses and that a State Institution should employ such methods of economy. It was only after much argument that these gentlemen were convinced that we were not opposing labor, but were training in industry and skill future citizens and tax-payers.

REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

With an appropriation of \$12,000.00 granted by the last Legislature, the property adjoining the school building was purchased in the summer of 1915.

The building has been fitted up as a hospital and little girls' dormitory; the interior re-modeled; new back and front stairways built; new hallways made and narrow dark hallways enlarged and lighted by additional windows; hard-wood floors laid and walls tinted throughout; together with entirely new systems of plumbing, drainage, heating and electric lighting; the roof also was repaired and painted.

The house is well adapted for the purpose and with additional improvements contemplated will be ideal.

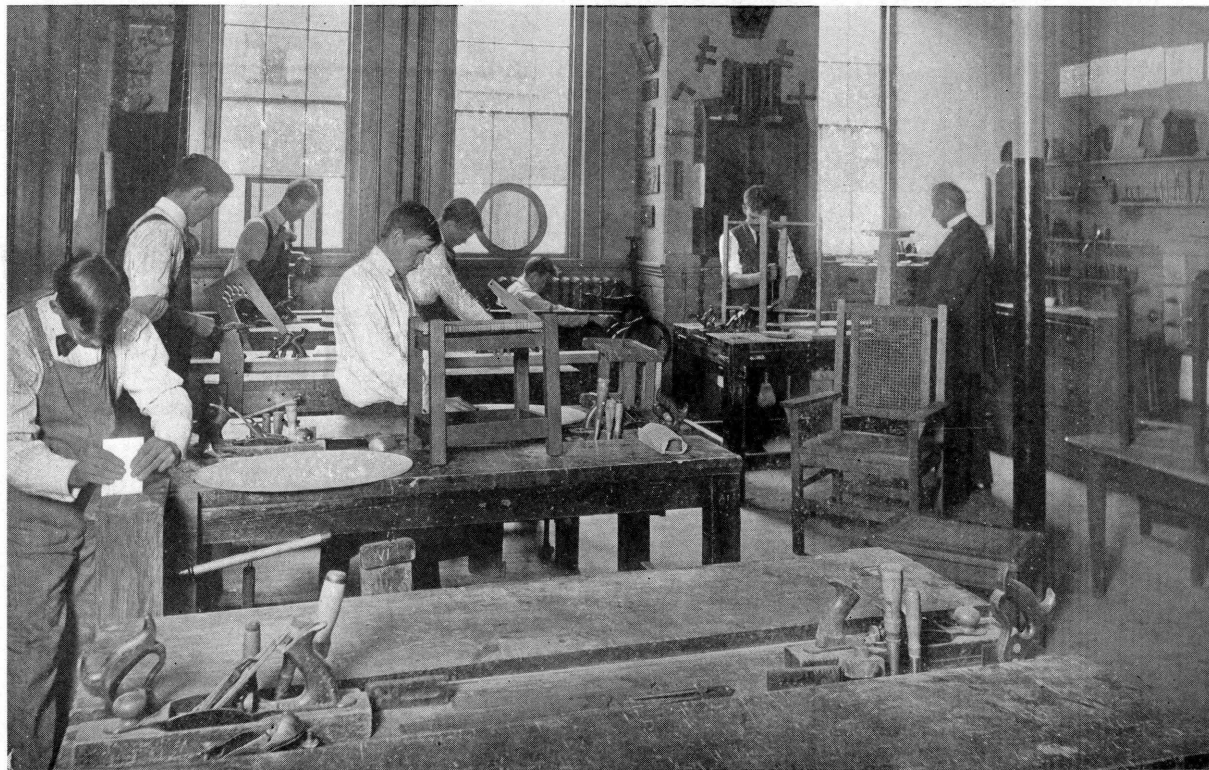
It was gratifying to all connected with the school to receive from the Secretary of State the following "Order" which had been passed at the September, 1915, meeting of the Governor and Council:

"Ordered:—That the recommendation of the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for the Deaf that the building recently acquired and fitted up by said institution as a Hospital and Girls' Dormitory be named "Winslow Hall," in appreciation of the ability and devotion with which the Honorable Edward B. Winslow, of Portland, has served the school for so many years, is hereby approved."

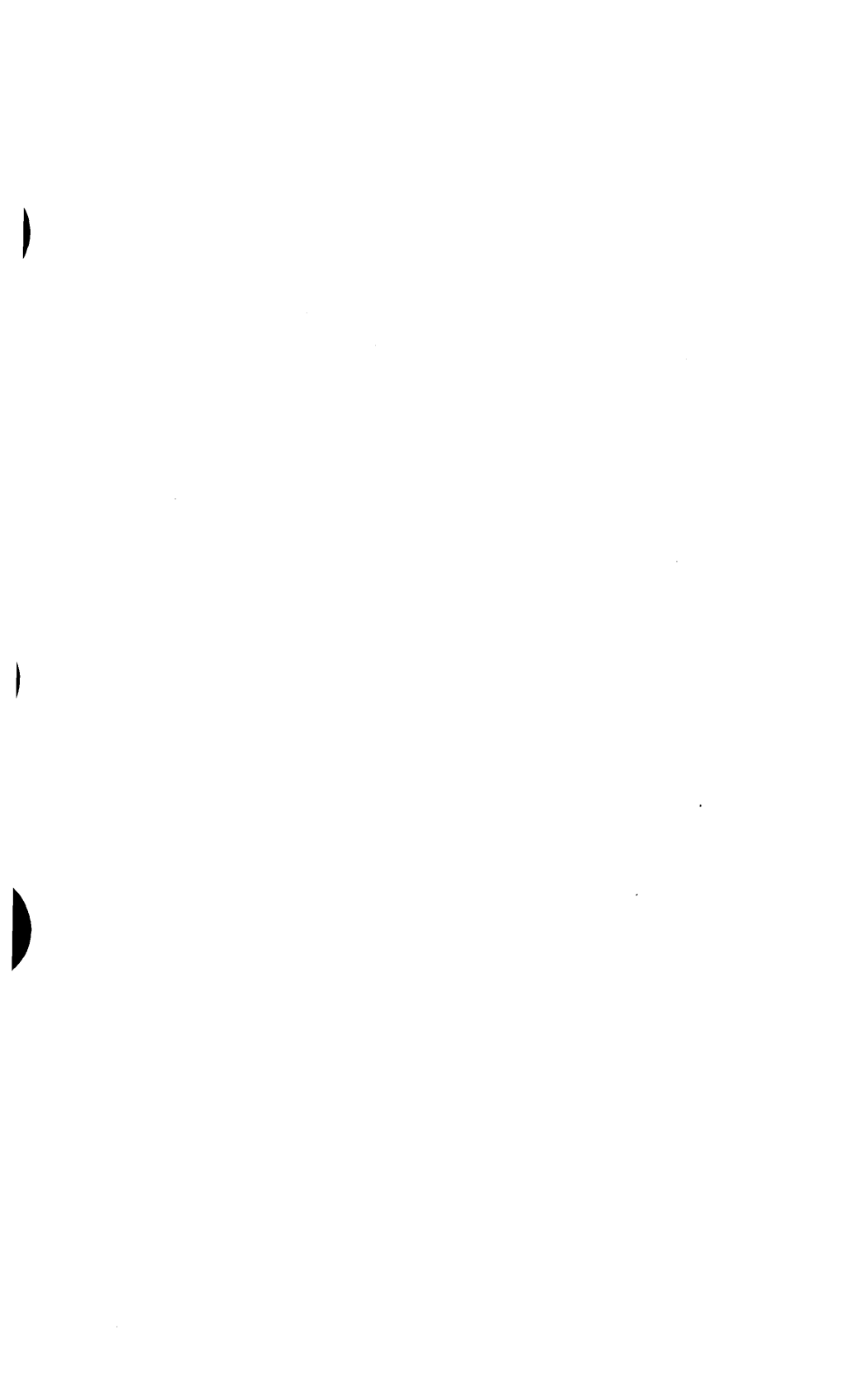
NEEDS.

As all repairs and improvements on Winslow Hall were made with no extra appropriation to meet the disbursement, we feel justified in asking for a special appropriation of \$3,500 for building an addition on the rear to be used as living-rooms, play-rooms, etc.

At present the small children are obliged to go from this house to the main building several times a day. While this



Carpenter Shop.



is not objectionable in the longer days of spring and fall, it is not conducive to the health of small children to make these journeys after dark in stormy winter weather.

While the interior of the building is in excellent condition, no repairs have been made on the outside. The entire exterior requires several coats of paint, new outer doors and windows are necessary and the roof of the back building should be raised so that additional space may be utilized.

The other buildings have been kept in comparatively good condition, but very little repair work has been done because of the greater expenditure on Winslow Hall. This was considered necessary as with no hospital facilities and the congested condition of the girls' dormitory immediate relief was imperative.

The teachers and officers have supported the management with loyalty and efficiency and the cheerful readiness with which the pupils have complied with all suggestions for their advancement and happiness has been a constant encouragement and has made otherwise onerous duties a pleasure.

With sincere thanks for and grateful appreciation of the wise counsel and practical co-operation of the members of the Board of Trustees in all matters relating to the welfare of the school, this report is

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH R. TAYLOR.

LIST OF PUPILS.

DECEMBER--1916.

Boys.

Name.	Residence.	County
Argencourt, Napoleon	Augusta	Kennebec
Ayotte, Albert	Lewiston	Androscoggin
Bailey, C. Sumner	Portland	Cumberland
Barney, George	Waterville	Kennebec
Beaudin, Arthur	Westbrook	Cumberland
Bishop, Earl W.....	Houlton	Aroostook
Bray, Phillips L.	Vinalhaven	Knox
Castonguay, Albert L.....	Van Buren	Aroostook
Chellis, Herman L.	Parsonsfield	York
Clark, Harold D.....	Thorndike	Waldo
Coffin, Archie L.	Raymond	Cumberland
Coyne, Edward P.....	Portland	Cumberland
Devoux, Eugene H.	Brewer	Penobscot
Dingley, Frank L.	Auburn	Androscoggin
Dube, Aimee	Acadia	Aroostook
Dube, Thomas P.	Acadia	Aroostook
Duggan, Lawrence J.	Portland	Cumberland
Dupras, Reynald	Biddeford	York
Everett, Wilfred W.....	Norridgewock	Somerset
Frost, Lee W.	Dexter	Penobscot
Gendron, L. Philip	Biddeford	York
Gillan, Charles E.....	Veazie	Penobscot
Gledhill, Donald W.	Lewiston	Androscoggin
Grant, C. Linwood	Orono	Penobscot
Grindle, Ralph T.....	Belfast	Waldo
Guesso, Thomas G.	Bradley	Penobscot
Hale, James R.	Castine	Hancock
Hanson, Kenneth McK.....	Houlton	Aroostook
Haslett, Edgar J.....	Portland	Cumberland
Hood, G. Arthur	Houlton	Aroostook
Inman, Stanley	Bangor	Penobscot
Jackson, Norman C.....	Sabattus	Androscoggin
Johnson, James M.	Dedham	Hancock
LaBell, Alfred J.....	Great Works	Penobscot
LeRiche, Armand	Auburn	Androscoggin



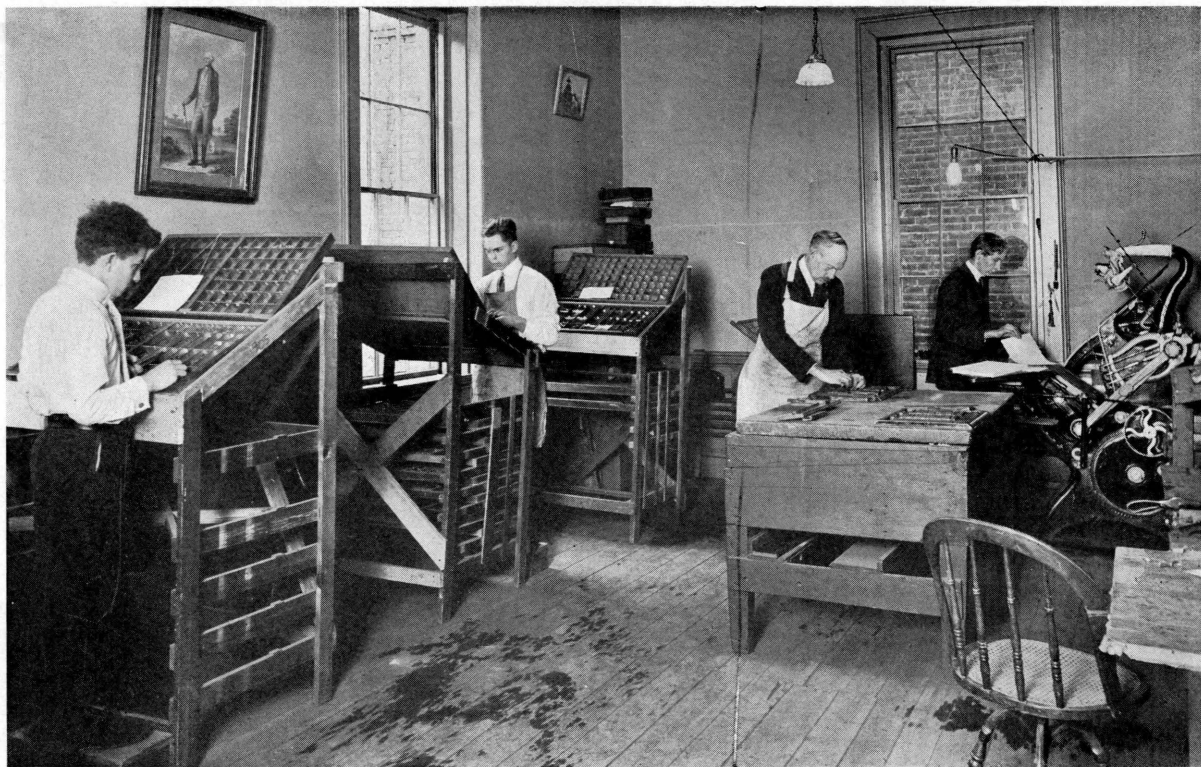
Sewing-room.

Name.	Residence.	County.
Lyons, Rudolph L.	Medway	Penobscot
Morrell, G. Amos	Waterville	Kennebec
Page, Willis E.	Ashland	Aroostook
Pelkey, Edgar	Portland	Cumberland
Pelletier, Leon	St. Agatha	Aroostook
Pinkham, George L.	Steuben	Washington
Potvin, Philippe	Biddeford	York
Rubitsky, Adolphus	Great Works	Penobscot
Sargent, Russell L.	West Gouldsborough ...	Hancock
Saucier, Alcide	Stockholm	Aroostook
Spruce, Edward	Eagle Lake	Aroostook
Staples, Philip	Long Island	Cumberland
Sturgis, Walter L.	Augusta	Kennebec
Tinkham, Norris E.	Portland	Cumberland
Toulouse, Laurier	Waterville	Kennebec
Trainor, Lee	Bangor	Penobscot
Waddell, Claude H.	Masardis	Aroostook
Walker, Irwin F.	Cliff Island	Cumberland
Woodbury, Thomas	Lewiston	Androscoggin
Zeitman, Benjamin	Portland	Cumberland

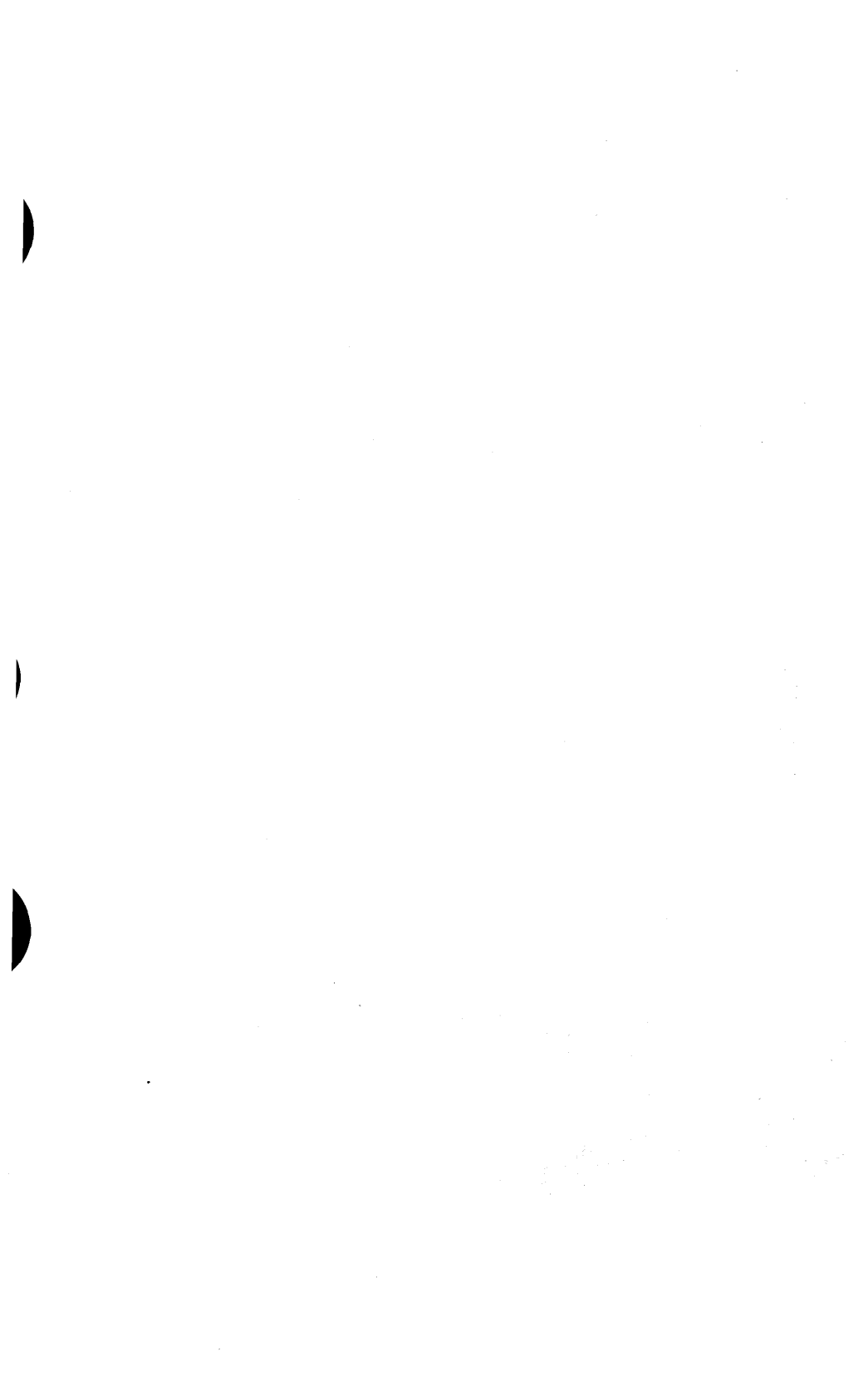
Girls.

Name.	Residence.	County.
Brulotte, Alice	Sanford	York
Charest, Miella	Auburn	Androscoggin
Clark, Muriel A.	Fort Fairfield	Aroostook
Coyne, Delia	Portland	Cumberland
Crocker, Ruth T.	Foxcroft	Piscataquis
D'Amour, Yvonne G.	Lewiston	Androscoggin
Davis, Kathleen M.	Rockland	Knox
Day, Martha W.	Bangor	Penobscot
Dube, Emelia M.	Acadia	Aroostook
Dudley, Eleanor S.	Jonesport	Washington
Ellis, Ruth L.	St. Albans	Somerset
Flagg, Inez B.	Harmony	Somerset
Flaherty, Mary	Portland	Cumberland
Jarvis, Mabel M.	Bangor	Penobscot
Johnson, Martha J.	Dedham	Hancock
Kidder, Ruby E.	Gouldsborough	Hancock
La Chance, Elise	Eagle Lake	Aroostook
Littlefield, Marie A.	Randolph	Kennebec
Madore, Emma M.	Lille	Aroostook
Martinson, Laura F.	Bangor	Penobscot
McLaughlin, Helen M.	Whiting	Washington

Name.	Residence.	County.
Merryman, Emma L.	Bath	Sagadahoc
Morrell, M. Irene	Waterville	Kennebec
Morrell, Susie K.	Waterville	Kennebec
Nadeau, Rita	Westbrook	Cumberland
O'Connor, Helen L.	Madison	Somerset
Oullette, Justine	Van Buren	Aroostook
Patterson, Hazel M.	Presque Isle	Aroostook
Pero, Lucy	Bath	Sagadahoc
Philbrick, Audrey G.	South Portland	Cumberland
Plante, Rose A.	Biddeford	York
Plourde, Eugenie	Stockholm	Aroostook
Ramsdell, Evelyn P.	Bangor	Penobscot
Riggs, Margaret L.	Mt. Vernon	Kennebec
Scott, Jessie M.	Skowhegan	Somerset
Scott, Margaret C.	Skowhegan	Somerset
Scott, Marion	Skowhegan	Somerset
Seader, Annie M.	Portland	Cumberland
Shakarictis, Bessie	Lewiston	Androscoggin
Slowtaris, Julia	Lewiston	Androscoggin
Smith, Rosamond Z.	Oxbow	Aroostook
Spinney, Mildred E.	North Bethel	Oxford
Spruce, Alice M.	Eagle Lake	Aroostook
Stevens, Beatrice A. P.	Wells Beach	York
Thompson, Doris L.	Portland	Cumberland
Turner, Ruth C.	Rockport	Knox
Walker, Hazel E.	Cliff Island	Cumberland



Printing Office.



MARY LINCOLN DIVINE.

Mary Lincoln Divine, Assistant Principal of the Maine School for the deaf for the past twenty years died May 22, 1915, at the Samaritan Hospital, Philadelphia, after a few days' illness.

Miss Divine was educated at home and with private teachers. She studied art at the Philadelphia School of Design and at the Academy of Fine Arts. Her work with the deaf began in the Art Department of the Nebraska School and she was for several years a teacher in the Pennsylvania Institution, going from there to Portland.

Dr. A. L. E. Crouter, Superintendent of the Pennsylvania Institution, speaks of Miss Divine as "a rare woman and a rare teacher." She was an attractive, cultured woman of a refined, sensitive nature, with exceptional qualities as a teacher; with graceful carriage, intellectual power, wondrous patience, quaint humor, immeasurable loyalty, and prodigal generosity; she was respected, enjoyed, and loved by her pupils.

When a boy came under Miss Divine's influence, he began to take responsibility—thinking not of himself but of others. She cultivated in her pupils courtesy, unselfishness, candor, and integrity. She said, "Children are mirrors. Don't let them reflect shams;" and "It matters not what boys and girls learn from books, so they develop into useful, upright, intelligent men and women."

Miss Divine had unusual decorative and artistic ability. Her pride was the Maine School for the Deaf and its growth, usefulness and homelike atmosphere were enhanced by her constant thought and service. She was well versed in good literature—particularly in the best of all literature, the Bible—and she made its study a pleasure to her pupils. Above all else Mary Lincoln Divine was a true Christian; being told, at the last, it was morning, she said, "Joy cometh in the morning," and Joy, Peace and Rest came.

—*American Annals of the Deaf.*

MARY LINCOLN DIVINE.

The teachers, pupils and friends of the Maine School for the Deaf were shocked to hear of the death of Miss Divine, Saturday morning, May 22nd, 1915. While she had not been well for several days, she kept about her work until a week ago, when she became much worse and by the advice of her physician, went to her home in Philadelphia. Miss Taylor went with her and saw her in the hospital where an operation was performed on Wednesday, but Miss Divine was unable to withstand the shock to her nervous system and passed away Saturday morning at nine o'clock.

Miss Divine has been the assistant principal for twenty years, and it is largely due to her sound advice and helpfulness that our school has grown. She was always ready and willing to help in all the ways she could, and she was known, respected and honored by the deaf throughout the State of Maine. She was not sparing of herself but gave freely of her time, her strength and her money to help others.

Miss Taylor has lost a valued assistant and the teachers and pupils, by whom she was greatly loved, have lost a dear and sympathetic friend.

—*The News.*

RESOLUTIONS.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for the Deaf on Monday, May 24th, 1915, the following resolutions were adopted:

First: That in the Death of Miss Mary L. Divine this school has sustained a great loss.

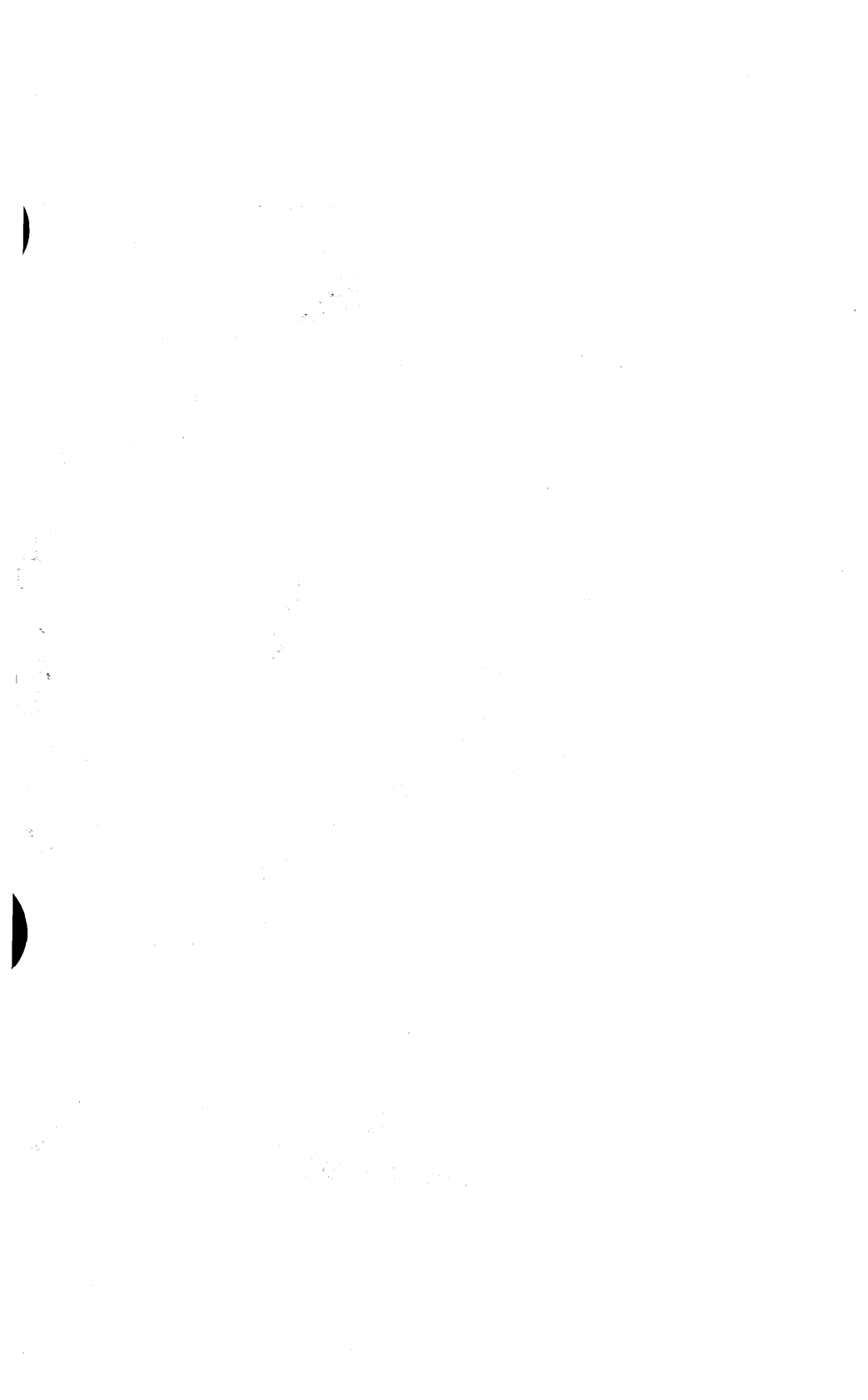
Second: That we, as Trustees, desire to express our deep appreciation of her long and devoted services as a teacher and friend of the school.

Third: That in grateful remembrance of her life and character, we extend our sincerest sympathy to the members of her bereaved family.

EDWARD B. WINSLOW,
ROSWELL C. BRADFORD,
THOMAS P. SHAW,
HARRY E. PLUMMER,
MELVIN P. FRANK.



Sloyd-room.



LENA E. ADAMS.

Lena E. Adams died at the residence of her mother, 125 Park street, November 6th, 1916.

Early last March Miss Adams was obliged to give up her school work here on account of poor health, but after awhile she grew better and was looking forward to assuming her duties again in the fall. During the summer she spent several weeks on a big farm in Casco, Maine, where with plenty of eggs, rich milk and good fresh air she gained rapidly. One day, however, she contracted a cold which proved so severe that she was compelled to return home and there she stayed until her death. Miss Adams had lived in Portland the greater part of her life and was graduated from the High School in the class of 1906. Shortly after deciding to take up the work of teaching the deaf she went to Mystic, Connecticut, for a year's training. She then accepted a position in the Providence school which she filled until coming to Portland.

Here for five years she was a very successful and popular teacher, being always ready and willing to do what she could for the welfare of the school, and even in her sickness was ever eager for any bit of news pertaining to it, and nothing seemed too trivial to be of interest.

Her loss will be most keenly felt, for owing to her sweet and sunny disposition she endeared herself to both teachers and pupils and in fact to every one with whom she came in contact.

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to her mother, who was constantly at her bedside, and her sister and brother.—*The News*.

RESOLUTIONS.

At a meeting of the teachers of the Maine School for the Deaf on Tuesday, November 7th, 1916, the following resolutions were adopted:

That in the death of Miss Lena E. Adams, we have lost a loyal and faithful fellow-teacher and a loved friend.

That her happy, cheerful disposition was a constant help and uplift to those with whom she worked.

That we wish to extend to her devoted mother and bereaved family our sincerest and deepest sympathy in their sorrow.

MABELLE J. LIBBY,
FRANCES F. CARTER,

Committee for the Faculty.

MARTHA A. SWAN LEGACY.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Maine School for the Deaf held September 10, 1915, the following resolutions were adopted:

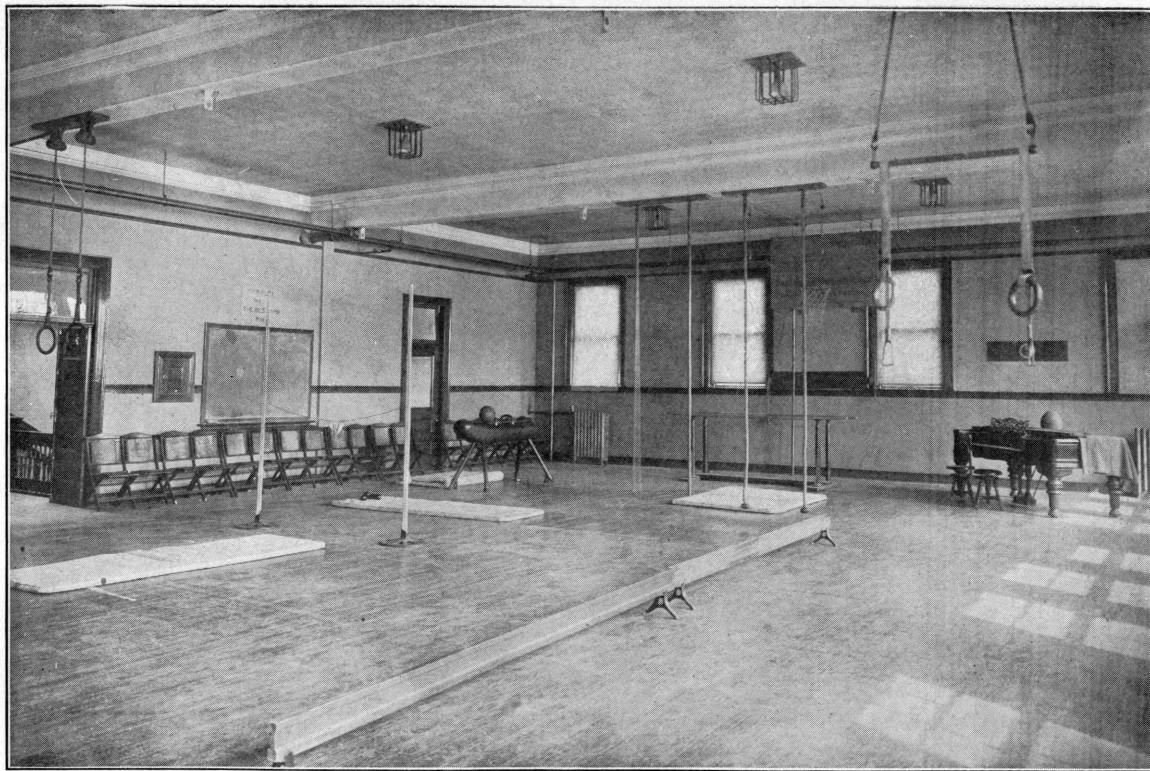
Whereas: By the will of Martha A. Swan of San Francisco, California, formerly of Parsonsfield, Maine, the Maine School for the Deaf has received a legacy of five hundred dollars (\$500.00).

Resolved: That the Board of Trustees in accepting this gift express their thanks in behalf of the school.

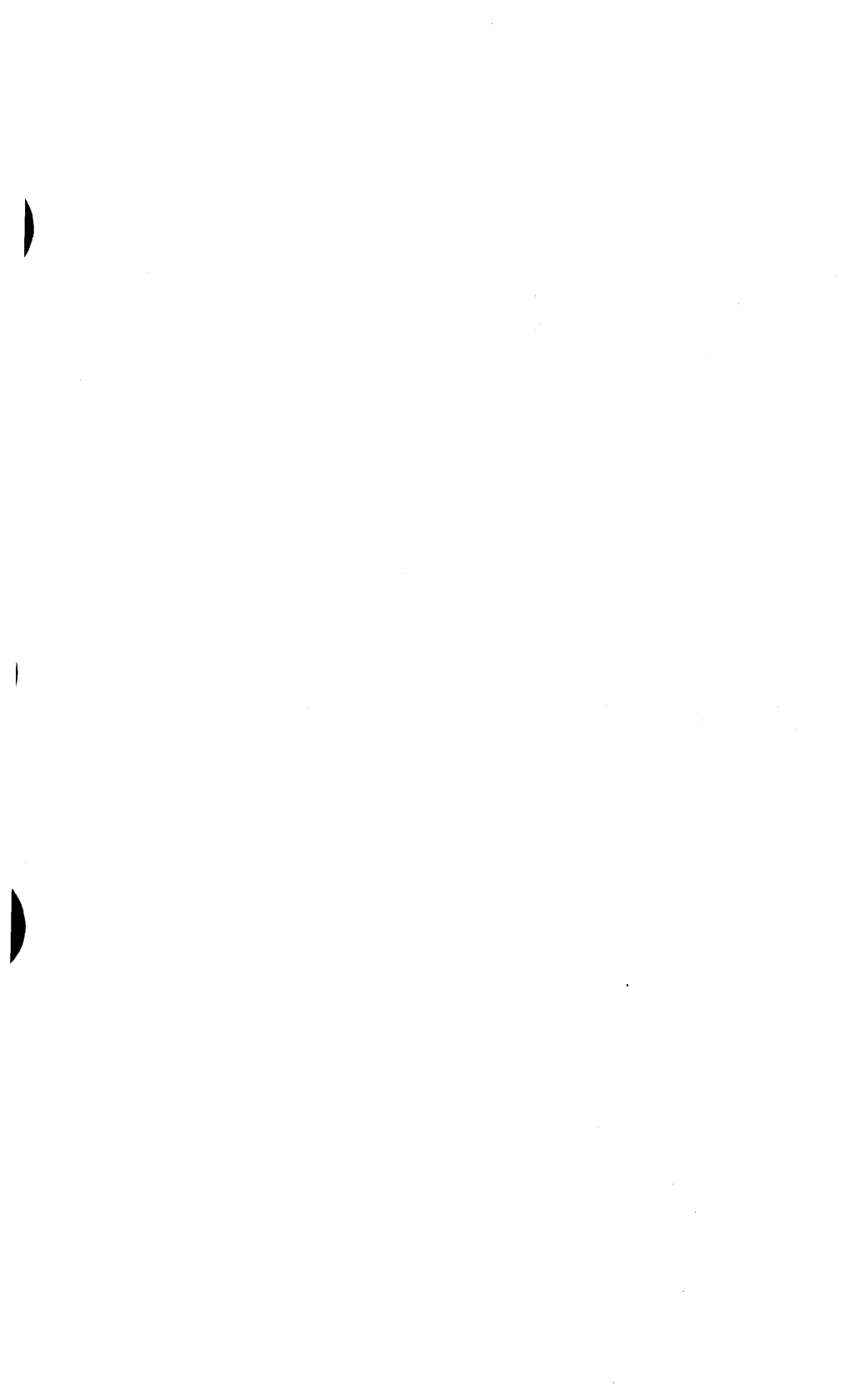
Resolved: That the money be left on deposit in the Fidelity Trust Company of Portland, Maine, and the interest accruing therefrom be used for the promotion of the happiness and increased comfort of the pupils of the school, other than that provided by the State.

Resolved: That these resolutions be placed on record in the minutes of the Board and be published in the biennial report of the school and that a copy be forwarded to the family of the donor.

Signed: EDWARD B. WINSLOW, *President.*
ROSWELL C. BRADFORD, *Treasurer.*
THOMAS P. SKAW,
MELVIN P. FRANK,
HARRY E. PLUMMER.



Gymnasium.



TO PARENTS OF DEAF CHILDREN.

The Maine School for the Deaf is a public school designed for the instruction of children whose hearing is so seriously impaired as to be incapable of receiving instruction in the common schools.

It is sustained by the State and is open to all deaf children in the State of Maine. The Combined System of instruction, which includes all known methods of teaching the deaf, is used, especial attention being given to speech and lip-reading. The course of instruction includes all the English branches and every pupil is given industrial training while in attendance.

Applicants for admission must be between the ages of five and twenty-one years, and free from any constitutional malady that may render them incapable of receiving instruction.

The school term is from September 10 to June 15, with one week's intermission at Christmas.

Further information will be given on application to the principal of the school, at 85 Spring street, Portland, Maine.