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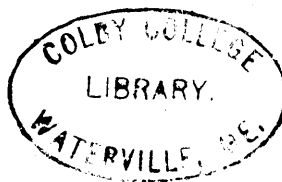
REPORTS

OF THE VARIOUS

PUBLIC OFFICERS, DEPARTMENTS  
AND INSTITUTIONS

FOR THE YEAR 1920

VOLUME 2



REPORTS

OF THE

TRUSTEES AND PRINCIPAL

OF THE

MAINE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

IN PORTLAND

FROM

December 31, 1918, to December 31, 1920

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

*President,*

Harry E. Plummer, Lisbon Falls.

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*Night Watchman*

John F. Kelley

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

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*To His Excellency, Carl E. Milliken,  
and the Honorable Executive Council:*

The trustees of the Maine School for the Deaf herewith submit the report of the institution for the years 1919 and 1920.

In March, 1919, Mr. E. B. Winslow declined to act as President, much to the regret of the other members of the Board. Since that time, I have endeavored to fulfil the requirements of that office to the best of my ability.

The vacancy caused by the death of Mr. M. P. Frank was filled by the appointment of Dr. Owen Smith. The Board regretted the resignation of Mr. Thomas P. Shaw in 1919, and of Mr. R. C. Bradford in 1920, both having taken great interest in the school. These vacancies were filled by the appointments of Mr. Charles W. T. Goding in 1919, and of Mr. Edward Anthoine in 1920. The members of the Board have manifested a great interest in the School at all times. We have been most fortunate in retaining the services of Miss E. R. Taylor, the principal, whose report will be given in detail.

Owing to increased salaries and the added expense of book-keeper because of system of State Auditor and increased expense in all departments, financial difficulties have arisen which have been largely solved by the Governor and Council.

For the Trustees,

H. E. PLUMMER,

President of Board of Trustees.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

July 1, 1918 to July 1, 1919.

Appro. No. 829.

Total Regular Appropriation, Balance 1918	\$14,001.22
Appro. No. 345 for 1919 .....	30,000.00
Added by Credits Allowed .....	643.04

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\$44,644.26

Total Regular Expenditures from	
Maintenance .....	\$30,894.04
Balance Unexpended .....	13,750.22

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\$44,644.26

Total Expenses as Above .....	\$30,894.04
Less Increase in Inventory .....	4,357.31

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Gross Expenses .....	\$26,536.73
Credited Income from other sources	43.04

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Net Expense .....	\$26,493.69
From Board and Care .....	600.00

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Net cost .....

### ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Assets:

State of Maine .....	\$ 14,444.76	
Cash, Trust Funds .....	3,541.33	
Inventory .....	19,977.02	
Plant .....	101,100.00	\$139,063.11

Liabilities:

Appropriation Accounts .....	\$ 13,750.22	
Audit Vouchers .....	694.54	
Trust Funds .....	3,541.33	
Surplus .....	121,077.02	\$139,063.11

INCOME AND EXPENSE

INCOME

Working Account (from Appropriations) .....	\$ 30,894.04	
Board and Tuition out of State Pupils .....	600.00	
Increase in Inventory .....	4,357.31	
Interest on Trust Funds .....	200.73	\$36,052.08

EXPENSE

Per Diem Trustees .....	\$ 62.00	
Salary of Officers .....	10,125.34	
Other Employees .....	6,538.35	
Subsistence .....	5,999.67	
Labor on Repairs .....	317.30	
Material for Same .....	340.92	
Household Furnishings .....	205.00	
Machinery and Tools .....	4.25	
Insurance .....	270.76	
Pipe and Fittings .....	28.46	
Fuel .....	5,119.63	
Water and Ice .....	294.88	
Electricity .....	588.37	
Household Supplies .....	211.84	
Office .....	119.29	
Dispensary .....	149.30	
Trustees .....	61.59	
Travelling .....	57.79	
Laundry .....	158.93	
Books and Periodicals .....	111.59	
Manual Training Expense .....	126.58	
Gymnasium .....	2.20	
Income to State .....	600.00	
Income to Trust Funds .....	200.73	
Total Expense .....	\$31,694.77	
Increase in Surplus .....	4,357.31	\$36,052.08

## APPROPRIATION EXPENDITURES

	1918	1919
Personal Services .....	\$ 5,984.13	\$10,741.56
Food Supplies .....	2,220.54	3,779.13
Repairs and Equipment .....	873.12	293.57
General Expenses .....	928.11	6,073.88
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	\$10,005.90	\$20,888.14
Balance Unexpended .....	4,038.36	9,711.86
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	\$14,044.26	\$30,600.00
Less Added by Credits Allowed ...	43.04	600.00
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Appropriation at Beginning of Year	\$14,001.22	\$30,000.00

July 1, 1919, to July 1, 1920.

Appropriation No. 829	
Balance 1918 Maintenance Appropriation .....	\$ 4,038.36
Appropriation No. 867	
Balance 1919 Maintenance Appropriation ..	9,711.86
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Balance as shown last Audit .....	13,750.22
Appropriation No. 345	
Total Regular Appropriation for 1920 .....	30,000.00
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	\$43,750.22
Added to Appropriation from Contingent Fund ..	6,385.84
Added by Credits Allowed .....	42.48
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	\$50,178.54
Lapsed into Contingent Fund ....	\$ 4,044.76
Total Regular Expenditures from Maintenance .....	39,225.48
Total Regular Expenditures from Interest on Trust Funds .....	6,908.30
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	\$50,178.54



Total Expenses as Above . . . .	\$39,225.48
Less Increase in Inventory . . . . .	4,590.65
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Gross Expense . . . . .	\$34,634.83
Credited income from other sources	15.00
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Net Expense . . . . .	\$34,619.83
From Board and Care . . . . .	875.00
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	\$33,744.83

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

Assets:

State of Maine . . . . .	\$ 7,149.28	
Cash, Trust Funds . . . . .	3,684.33	
Inventory . . . . .	24,567.67	
Plant . . . . .	101,100.00	\$136,501.28
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Liabilities:

Appropriation Accounts . . . . .	\$ 6,908.30	
Audit Vouchers . . . . .	240.98	
Trust Funds . . . . .	3,684.33	
Surplus . . . . .	125,667.67	\$136,501.28
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INCOME AND EXPENSE

INCOME

Working Account . . . . .	\$39,225.48
Board and Tuition Out of State	
Pupils . . . . .	875.00
Subsistence Sold . . . . .	15.00
Increase in Inventory . . . . .	4,590.65
Interest on Trust Funds . . . . .	143.00
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Total Receipts . . . . . \$44,849.13

## EXPENSE

Trustees .....	\$ 220.00	
Officers .....	11,104.35	
Other Employees .....	8,640.05	
Subsistence .....	7,428.55	
Labor .....	374.38	
Material, Buildings and Grounds ..	303.36	
Household Furniture and Furnish- ings .....	1,098.91	
Surgical Instruments .....	6.15	
Machinery and Tools .....	1,289.46	
Insurance .....	48.92	
Pipe and Fittings .....	105.89	
Fuel .....	6,000.17	
Water and Ice .....	302.25	
Electricity .....	718.32	
Household Supplies .....	656.19	
Office Supplies .....	161.37	
Dispensary .....	224.49	
Expenses, Trustees .....	63.99	
Travelling, Institution .....	41.90	
<b>Laundry Expense</b> .....	<b>80.60</b>	
Books and Periodicals .....	87.10	
Manual Training Expenses .....	269.08	
Income to State .....	890.00	
Income to Trust Funds .....	143.00	
Total Expenses .....	\$40,258.48	
Increase in Surplus .....	4,590.65	\$44,849.13

## APPROPRIATION EXPENDITURES

	July-Dec. 1919	Jan.-June 1920	Total for year
Personal Services .....	\$7,883.45	\$12,080.95	\$19,964.40
Food Supplies .....	4,122.90	3,305.65	7,428.55
Repairs and Equipment	2,465.19	761.88	3,227.07
General Expenses .....	1,662.24	6,943.22	8,605.46
	\$16,133.78	\$23,091.70	\$39,225.48

Balance Unexpended June 30, 1920	\$6,908.30
Balance Unexpended June 30, 1919	
—1918 Account	\$4,038.36
—1919 Account	9,711.86
From Contingent Fund	
and Credits 1919	2,383.56
Estimated deficit at end of 1920 on same basis of expenditure as 1919 .....	\$9,225.48

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

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

Gentlemen:

Herewith is submitted the report of the Maine School for the Deaf for the biennial period beginning January 1st, 1919, and ending December 31st, 1920.

### ATTENDANCE—1919

	Boys	Girls	Total
Enrollment January 1st, 1919 . . . . .	50	38	88
Admitted during the year . . . . .	7	5	12
Total number under instruction . . . . .	57	43	100
Left during the year . . . . .	7	2	9
Enrollment December 31, 1919 . . . . .	50	41	91

### ATTENDANCE—1920.

	Boys	Girls	Total
Enrollment January 1st, 1920 . . . . .	50	41	91
Admitted during the year . . . . .	7	8	15
Total number under instruction . . . . .	57	49	106
Left during the year . . . . .	4	6	10
Enrollment December 31, 1920 . . . . .	53	43	96

### HEALTH

In the spring of 1919, there were five cases of diphtheria and eleven others with diphtheretic germs. All made good recovery.

In the fall, following, there was another outbreak of diphtheria and from November 8th until April 13th there were twenty-one cases in the hospital. No one was seriously ill and all returned to duties and classrooms apparently recuperated from their enforced retirement.

During these trying periods, we were indebted to our attending physician, Dr. Richard D. Small, for his cheerful and ready response to every call, to the nurses for untiring services and to the teachers, pupils and employees for helpful co-operation and reasonable acceptance of unusual conditions.

At this time there were also fourteen cases of chicken pox and six children with whooping cough.

In October of the current year, the Visiting Nurses of the Health Department of the City of Portland made an inspection of our buildings and equipment and evinced considerable interest in our educational methods. The graduating class of the Medical School of Bowdoin College usually visits the school and such visits are welcomed and desirable. The advantages of the school are given publicity and many deaf children are reached through these mediums.

#### EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

In September, 1919, Miss Sarah E. Lewis, trained at the Clarke school and a teacher of experience, was appointed to fill the vacancy occasioned by the marriage of Miss Bertha L. Dennison.

In September, 1920, Miss Marion C. Peterson, trained at the New York School for the Improved Instruction of the Deaf and with three years' experience in the North Carolina School, was appointed a teacher.

In June, 1920, a Joint Convention of the three leading Associations of those interested in the education of the deaf was held at the Pennsylvania Institution at Philadelphia and every school in the United States and Canada was represented. The principal of the school and one of the teachers, Miss Estella M. Draper, had the pleasure of attending the sessions and profited by the ideas advanced in the valuable papers presented and by the discussions that followed.

At the last session of the Legislature, the following Compulsory law was enacted.

## State of Maine

*In the Year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Nineteen.*

An Act Relating to the Education of Deaf or Dumb Children.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. Every parent, guardian, or other person, having control of any mentally normal child between six and eighteen years of age, too deaf or too dumb to be materially benefited by the methods of instruction in vogue in the public schools, unless it can be shown that the child is receiving regular instruction, during the same period, in studies usually taught in the public schools, shall be required to send such child or youth to the Maine School for the Deaf in the City of Portland, during the scholastic year of that school. Such child or youth shall attend such school, year after year, until discharged by the superintendent upon approval of the Board of Trustees of said school.

A Simplex moving picture machine has been installed and weekly entertainments given. The reels shown include travel, educational, industrial and humorous subjects and have proven of much value educationally as well as adding to the pleasure and happiness of the children.

The physical education of the boys for the past three years has been under the capable management of Dr. Earl S. Hall and this year Dr. Hall has added the direction of the work of the girls in the gymnasium. Beside the enjoyment from the activity of exercises and games much improvement in carriage and general health is attained.

## INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT

In June, 1920, Miss Eva M. Elwell, teacher of sloyd, resigned to be married and Mr. Norman L. Davis, trained at the Portland High School, was appointed to fill the vacancy.

Mr. George Besig, who for seven years capably and efficiently filled the position of teacher of cabinet-making and supervisor of older boys, died November, 1919, after an illness of several months.

Mr. Lucius O. Russell, an experienced carpenter, was in charge during the year 1919 and Mr. John Anderson, a man with practical experience in draughting and cabinet-making was appointed at the opening of the fall term to take charge of the work.

It is hoped by another year motor power machinery may be installed and instruction given in more advanced wood working.

#### REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS

The buildings have been kept in good repair; the walls and woodwork in all the buildings have been re-painted and the ceilings calcimined, while in several rooms plastered ceilings have been replaced by steel.

The roof of the school building has been repaired and the roof of the sun parlor and of the rear of Winslow Hall have been tarred and pebbled and a new tin roof has been put over the basement stairway; the back hall and stairway in Winslow Hall have been sheathed and floors have been scraped and re-finished.

A 100 inch Concave-Convex Flat-Work Ironer has been purchased and facilitates the work in the laundry.

The question of installing a Sprinkler System has been given much consideration by the members of your Board and it has been suggested, that the matter be referred to the Governor and Council.

It may be well to state that during the past two years most of the repairs on the buildings were made by the engineer and instructor in wood-working, assisted by the boys, proving a great economy in these days when labor is demanding \$10 and \$12 per diem.

In March, 1919, Hon. Edward B. Winslow, who had most efficiently filled the office of President of the Board of Trustees for the past ten years, declined to serve longer but, we are grateful to say, continued as a member of the Board and Mr. Harry E. Plummer, who has been a most interested and able member of the Board since 1909, was elected President.

The resignation of Col. Thomas P. Shaw and Mr. Roswell C. Bradford as trustees was learned with sincere regret. These

gentlemen have assisted not only by counsel and encouragement but by personal services and have, for more than fifteen years, promoted the welfare of the school.

Mr. Charles W. T. Goding, Dr. Owen P. Smith and Mr. Edward S. Anthoine have been appointed to fill vacancies on the Board.

I take this opportunity of thanking each member of your Board for the interest shown in visits to the class-rooms, repeated inspection of the buildings and by counsel and guidance aiding in the improvement and growth of the work of the school.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth R. Taylor,

*Principal.*



## LIST OF PUPILS

December-1920.

### BOYS

Name	Residence and County
Bailey, C. Sumner	Portland, Cumberland Co.
Barney, George	Waterville, Kennebec Co.
Bertrand, Everett	Dexter, Penobscot Co.
Bonsaint, Charles	Biddeford, York Co.
Burgoyne, Arthur	Frenchville, Aroostook Co.
Cailler, Ernest	Lewiston, Androscoggin Co.
Castonguay, Albert L.	Augusta, Kennebec Co.
Chellis, Herman L.	Limerick, York Co.
Coyne, Edward P.	Portland, Cumberland Co.
Courteau, Daniel I.	Lewiston, Androscoggin Co.
Day, Alden S.	Rumford, Oxford Co.
DeLong, W. Darrell	Easton, Aroostook Co.
Dingley, Frank L.	Auburn, Androscoggin Co.
Dodge, Earl	Rochester, New Hampshire.
Dupras, Raynald	Biddeford, York Co.
Duggan, Lawrence J.	Portland, Cumberland Co.
Dumond, Albert	Eagle Lake, Aroostook Co.
Dube, Aimee	Acadia, Aroostook Co.
Dube, Thomas	Acadia, Aroostook Co.
Everett, Wilfred W.	Cushings Island, Cumberland Co.
Frost, Lee W.	Dexter, Penobscot Co.
Garceau, Alphonse	Bradley, Penobscot Co.
Garceau, Thomas G.	Bradley, Penobscot Co.
Gendron, L. Philip	Biddeford, York Co.
Gillan, Charles E.	Bangor, Penobscot Co.
Hale, James R.	Castine, Hancock Co.
Hanson, Kenneth McK.	Houlton, Aroostook Co.
Harrington, Floyd S.	Guilford, Piscataquis Co.
Hood, G. Arthur	Houlton, Aroostook Co.
Hyer, Francis E.	Auburn, Androscoggin Co.
Jackson, Norman C.	Lisbon Center, Androscoggin Co.
Johnson, James M.	East Holden, Penobscot Co.

Name	Residence and County
La Pointe, Arthur	Caribou, Aroostook Co.
Lyons, Derrald G.	East Millinocket, Penobscot Co.
Lyons, Rudolph L.	East Millinocket, Penobscot Co.
Mathieu, George	Biddeford, York Co.
Norberg, Carl	Orono, Penobscot Co.
Ouellette, Albert	Saco, York Co.
Page, Willis E.	Sheridan, Aroostook Co.
Peterson, Harry W.	Gardiner, Kennebec Co.
Pinkham, George L.	Steuben, Washington Co.
Pratt, Virgil O.	Guilford, Piscataquis Co.
Sargent, Russell	Gouldsboro, Hancock Co.
Saucier, Alcide	Caribou, Aroostook Co.
Shaw, John H.	W. Peru, Oxford Co.
Spruce, Edward	Plaisted, Aroostook Co.
Spruce, Ronald	Plaisted, Aroostook Co.
Staples, Philip	Bluehill, Hancock Co.
Toulouse, Laurier	Waterville, Kennebec Co.
Trainor, Leo	Bangor, Penobscot Co.
Waddell, Claude H.	Masardis, Aroostook Co.
Walker, Asaph	Bridgton, Cumberland Co.
Zeitman, Benjamin	Portland, Cumberland Co.

## GIRLS

Name	Residence and County
Bean, Isabel	Jay, Franklin Co.
Berthiaume, Clara	Berlin, New Hampshire.
Bouchard, Rella	Fort Kent Mills, Aroostook Co.
Brulotte, Alice	Biddeford, York Co.
Campbell, Alice L.	Lewiston, Androscoggin Co.
Charest, Miella	Auburn, Androscoggin Co.
Clark, Muriel A.	Fort Fairfield, Aroostook Co.
Coyne, Delia	Portland, Cumberland Co.
Davis, Kathl�en M.	Glenmere, Knox Co.
Day, Martha W.	Bangor, Penobscot Co.
DiPietrantonio, Angelina	Portland, Cumberland Co.
Dudley, El�anor S.	Jonesport, Washington Co.
Ellis, Ruth L.	St. Albans, Somerset Co.
Flaherty, Mary	Portland, Cumberland Co.

Name	Residence and County
Foster, Irene G.	Bradford Center, Penobscot Co.
Garland, Thelma E.	Waterboro, York Co.
Goodrich, Anna E.	Emery Mills, York Co.
James, Katherine R.	Princeton, Washington Co.
La Bell, Lily	Caribou, Aroostook Co.
La Chance, Elise	Enfield, Penobscot Co.
Ladd, Geneva E.	Dover, Piscataquis Co.
MacDonald, Zona	Presque Isle, Aroostook Co.
MacKenzie, Beatrice	Brunswick, Cumberland Co.
Martinson, Laura	Old Town, Penobscot Co.
Merryman, Emma L.	Buckfield, Oxford Co.
Nadeau, Laura	Winthrop, Kennebec Co.
Nadeau, Rita	Westbrook, Cumberland Co.
O'Connor, Helen L.	Madison, Somerset Co.
Ouellette, Justine	Van Buren, Aroostook Co.
Patterson, Hazel M.	Presque Isle, Aroostook Co.
Philbrick, Audrey G.	Freeport, Cumberland Co.
Powers, Ruth	No. Deering, Cumberland Co.
Rees, Doris	Mars Hill, Aroostook Co.
Riggs, Margaret L.	Mt. Vernon, Kennebec Co.
Scott, Jessie M.	Gilsum, New Hampshire.
Scott, Marion	Gilsum, New Hampshire.
Seader, Annie M.	Portland, Cumberland Co.
Shakaris, Bessie	Lewiston, Androscoggin Co.
Spinney, Mildred E.	North Bethel, Oxford Co.
Sprague, Mildred	Milltown, Washington Co.
Theriault, Laura	Fort Kent, Aroostook Co.
Thompson, Doris L.	Portland, Cumberland Co.
Turner, Ruth C.	Rockland, Knox Co.

## TO PARENTS OF DEAF CHILDREN.

The Maine School for the Deaf is a public school established 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.