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### PUBLIC DOCUMENTS

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#### STATE OF MAINE

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### REPORTS

OF THE VARIOUS

# PUBLIC OFFICERS DEPARTMENTS AND INSTITUTIONS

FOR THE TWO YEARS

JULY 1, 1928 - JUNE 30, 1930

### **REPORTS**

OF THE

### TRUSTEES AND PRINCIPAL

OF THE

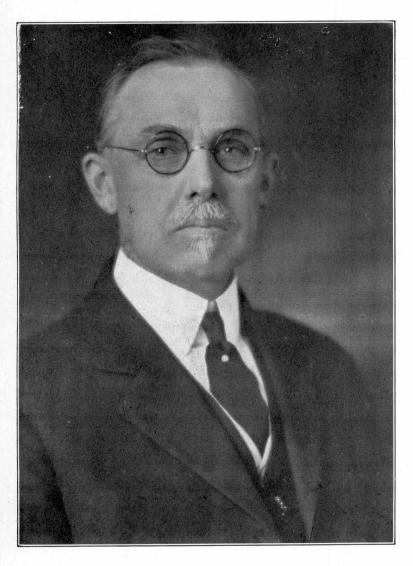
# MAINE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF

PORTLAND

FROM

July 1st, 1928, to June 30th, 1930

PRINTED AT THE MAINE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF



DR. OWEN SMITH, PRESIDENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

#### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

#### PRESIDENT.

Owen Smith, M. D., Portland SECRETARY,

Wm. K. Sanderson, Portland Mrs Alice S. Butler, Farmington, Harry E. Plummer, Lisbon Falls

Lester F. Wallace, Portland

Principal Elizabeth R. Taylor PHYSICIAN Richard D. Small, M. D. BOOK-KEEPER Mary L. Newlands

#### EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

Louise T. Young, Principal

Teachers

L. Isabel Harris Greta Stanley Annie L. Patrick Evalyn B. Heizer Fannie P. Kimball Jane Ruggles Frances F. Carter Evelyn B. Thompson

Anne C. Wilkinson Harriette Smith

Gladys Lamb

#### PHYSICAL INSTRUCTORS

George H. Vinal Grace A. Vinal

#### HOUSEHOLD DEPARTMENT

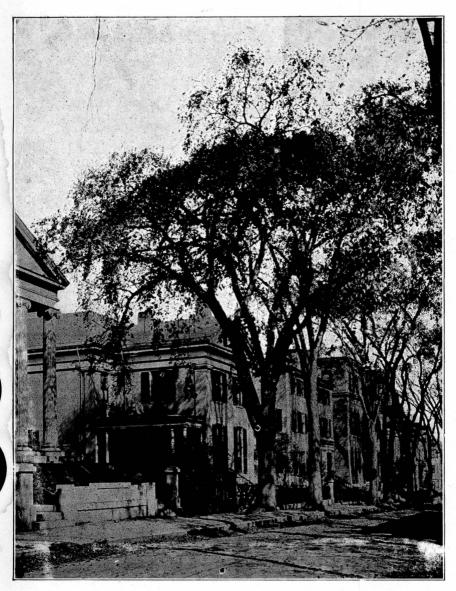
S. Helen Stinson	Matron
Emma Jean McHowell	Supervisor of Girls
Mary A. Gardner	Supervisor of Girls
Rosamond Gleason	Supervisor of Boys
Elizabeth M. Fickett	Supervisor of Boys
William O. Kimball	Supervisor of Boys
Asaph P. Walker	Supervisor of Boys

#### INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT

Frank A. Nelson	Teacher of Printing
William O. Kimball	Teacher of Cabinet-Making
Asaph P. Walker	Teacher of Wood-Working
S. Helen Stinson	Teacher of Domestic-Science
Emma Jean McHowell	Teacher of Dress-making

ENGINEER Frank A. Wakefield

WATCHMAN Basil Vintinner



Taylor Hall

Brownson Hall School Building

#### STATE OF MAINE

# IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINE

#### AN ACT in Relation to the Maine School for the Deaf.

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

SECTION 1. The Maine School for the Deaf, established by chapter four hundred and forty-six, of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, is to be devoted to the education and instruction of deaf and dumb children.

SECT. 2. Said school shall be located at Portland, in the County of Cumberland, and the State shall hereafter assume the entire charge, responsibility and expense of maintaining said school.

SECT. 3. The government of said school is hereby vested in a board of five trustees, to be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the council, to hold office for a term of five years, provided, however, that trustees now holding office shall continue therein until their respective terms shall have expired.

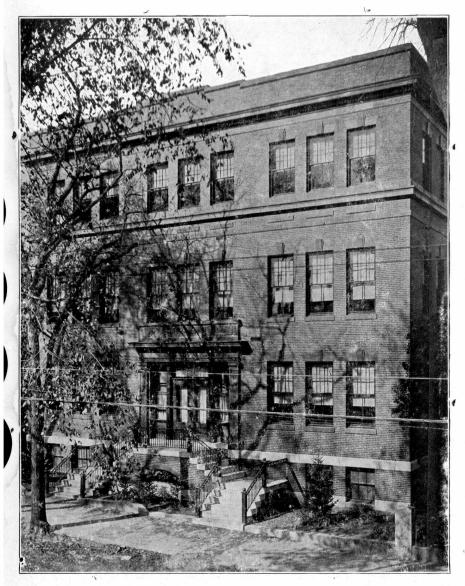
SECT. 4. The trustees shall have charge of the general interests of said school and see that its affairs are conducted in accordance with law. They may employ officers, teachers and other employees as they may deem advisable and fix the compensation of the same subject to the approval of the governor and council; they may from time to time prescribe the system of education and course of study to be pursued in the school and shall be allowed for their services, their actual expenses and five dollars a day when actually employed.

SECT. 5. With the consent of parent or guardian, the trustees may admit to said school for a term not exceeding twelve years, any deaf and dumb child residing in this state and not less than five years of age, who shall not be withdrawn or discharged from said school, except with the consent of the trustees or the governor and council, and the sums necessary for the support and instruction of such children while attending said school, shall be paid by the state.

SECT. 6. Deaf and dumb children residing in other states may at the discretion of the trustees be admitted to said school upon the payment by their parents, guardian or other responsible agency of a reasonable compensation to be fixed by the trustees. All income from this or any other source shall be paid to the treasurer of state

and shall be added to the appropriation for the maintenance of said school and the same is hereby appropriated for said purpose.

SECT. 7. So much of chapter four hundred and forty-six, of the private and special laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, as is inconsistent with this act is hereby repealed.



SCHOOL BUILDING



WINSLOW HALL ENTRANCE

# RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1930.

#### RECEIPTS

RECEII	PTS			
State Appropriation \$	58,000.00			
Insurance Rebates	173.37	•		
Board and Tuition	2,200.00			
		•	\$60,37	3.37
EXPENDIT	TURES		i.	4
Per Diem Trustees\$	160.00			
Salaries of Officers	7,829.07			•
Employees, Pay Roll	7,423.07	•		
Teachers and Instructors	14,629.00	e e		
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Total of Personal Service Expense		30,041.14		-
Food		8,687.93		
Clothing		106.29		
Labor on Repairs, Pay Roll\$	1,995.29			
Labor, Invoiced				
Material, Buildings and Grounds				4
New Additions	313.85			
Household Furnishings	806.79			
New Furnishings	2,843.24	•		
Machinery ard Tools	167.36	•		
Insurance	565.76			
Pipe and Fittings	128.81			
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Total of Repairs Expense		\$ 9,011.87		. , .
Fuel, Cooking	913.89			1,5
Water				
Electricity	1,255.29			
Household Supplies	419.28			
Office Supplies	235.05			
Dispensary	48.08	. *		
Travelling, Trustees	104.18			
Travel, Institution				•
Laundry Supplies		*7		4.
Manual Training	299.73			
Oculistic		•		,
Books and Periodicals	61.01			

School Supplies	357.48		• • •
Street Sprinkling	17.03		
Medical Expense			
Amusement and Excursions	23.60		
Employment Expense	1.24		
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Total of General Expense	\$ 4	1,572.88	
Coal, Heating	\$ 4,279.03		
Electrical Supplies	48.49	21	•
Ashes	90.40		
Total of Heat, Light & Pow	er Expense \$ 4	1,417.92	
Total Expenditures	<u> </u>	3 838 03	
Less Discounts on Purchase			
Net Expenses			\$56,768.20
Balance unexpended Ju	ne 30, 1930		\$ 3,605,17



CORRIDOR

#### REPORT OF TRUSTEES

TO HIS EXCELLENCY, WILLIAM TUDOR GARDINER, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MAINE:

The Board of Trustees of the Maine School for the Deaf submit this report for the period 1929 and 1930, inclusive.

Due to the death of Mr. C. W. T. Goding, Mr. Lester F. Wallace of Portland, was appointed a trustee to fill the vacancy on the Board. With that exception, there has been no change in the Board of Trustees.

The accompanying report of the principal, Miss Elizabeth R. Taylor, is herewith submitted and gives a detailed report of the school activities during the past two years.

The Board of Trustees has been anxious to co-operate in every way possible with the State of Maine Purchasing Agents Association and our principal has purchased through that source approximately 35% of her supplies. As time goes on, it would look as though all of the standardized articles would be purchased in that way, thereby saving a great deal of money for the State.

The Board of Trustees has been very much gratified with the results accomplished by the use of the Radioear. The single unit that we were able to purchase has been such a help in the teaching of these deaf children that the Board is unanimous in asking that the Legislature furnish us six additional units to the three that have already been purchased. It seems very important indeed that the outgoing classes should have at least a year's benefit of the Radioear.

We express the fullest appreciation to the friends who have contributed in any way to the happiness of the pupils. There have been from time to time small contributions of money that go to making a happy Christmas time for the children remaining at the school during the holiday season.

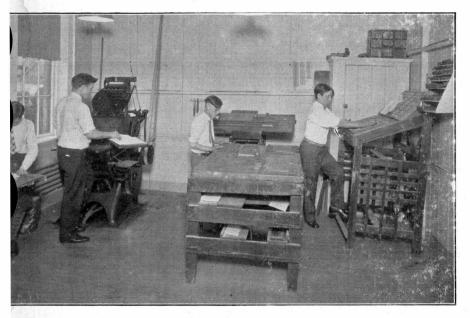
The Trustees are using every effort possible to keep the buildings and equipment in a usable condition until the time arrives that the State will provide a site and buildings adequate for a broader education for those placed in our care.

There has been during the past two years the most sympathetic co-operation of the trustees and teaching staff. We are fully satisfied with the excellent results that have been accomplished in this direction.

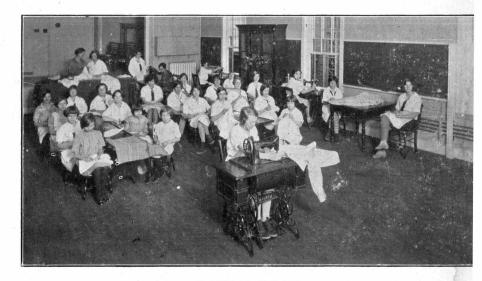
The Board of Trustees appreciates very fully the interest the

Governor and Council have shown in the school. We wish to thank those members of the Legislature who have shown many acts of kindness in our behalf.

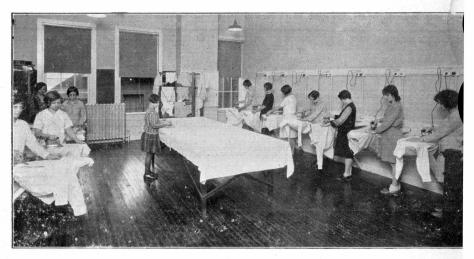
Respectfully submitted, OWEN SMITH, PRESIDENT.



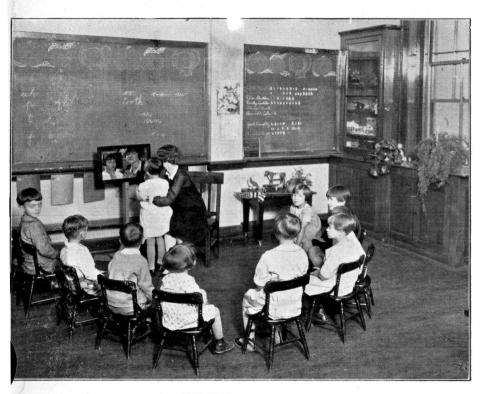
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SEWING ROOM



IRONING ROOM



KINDERGARTEN

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE MAINE SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF:

Gentlemen,—The biennial report for the period ending June 30th, 1930, is herewith submitted for your consideration:

#### ATTENDANCE

There are in attendance 109 pupils, 66 boys and 43 girls, representing every section of the State.

#### 1928-1929

	Boys	Girls	Total		
Enrollment June 30, 1928	67	45	112		
Admitted during the year	7	7	14		
Total enrollment for the year	74	<b>52</b>	126		
Left during the year	12	7	19		
Enrollment June 30, 1929	62	45	107		
1929-1930					
Enrollment June 30, 1929	62	45	107		
Admitted during the year		4	16		
Total enrollment for the year	74	49	123		
Left during the year	8	- 6	14		
Enrollment June 30, 1930	66	43	109		
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Of the pupils registered during 1929-30, the following is a list of counties as represented:

Androscoggin	17
Aroostook	
Cumberland	23
Franklin	3
Hancock	3
Kennebec	7
Knox	4
Oxford	
Penobscot	14
Piscataquis	4
Sagadahoc	2
Somerset	

Waldo	2
Washington	6
York	9
New Hampshire	6

#### HEALTH

The usual good health of the pupils has been maintained during the two years just passed.

Pursuing the custom adopted four years ago by our attending physician, Dr. Richard D. Small, all new pupils admitted have been given toxin-antitoxin and have been vaccinated, so averting the danger of contagion.

In the spring of 1929, there were two serious cases of appendicitis, within the same week. Both made good recovery for which we are indebted to the skillful treatment received by the patients at the Maine General Hospital.

In April, 1929, and again in January, 1930, a mild case of scarlet fever was discovered and each one was immediately removed to the Isolation Hospital and no other cases developed.

We are indebted to the Red Cross Dental Clinic at the Children's Hospital for the care of the dental work of the children under twelve years of age. We are also indebted to Dr. Henry M. Swift, psychiatrist, for the examination of two pupils, and to the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary for one tonsil and adenoid operation in June, 1928.

#### EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT

In June, 1929, Miss Lillian Russell resigned on account of ill-health and Miss Harriette Smith from the school at Beverly, Massachusetts, was appointed to fill the vacancy.

In June, 1930, Miss Anna Bickford resigned to accept a position in the Kendall School, Washington, D. C., and the vancancy was filled by the appointment of Miss Gladys Lamb from the school at Rome, N. Y.

Both young ladies appointed were trained teachers with practical experience.

In October, 1929, a Radioear with eighteen outlets was installed at a cost of \$2300 and after using it a year with encouraging results it has been decided to install two other instruments of twelve outlets, at a cost of \$1440 each.

Through the Radioear, pupils with latent or residual hearing, who could at first distinguish only vowel sounds or single words, are now taking sentences through the ear and the improvement in the voices of these children has fully justified the continuance of the use of the instrument.



RADIOEAR CLASS



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#### INDUSTRIAL DEPARTMENT

The classes in carpentry, glazing and painting attended to many needed repairs and set up concrete bases of two jungle-gyms which reflected much credit to their instructors, both of whom were former pupils of the school.

The class in printing beside publishing a small weekly paper and our biennial report has turned out a certain amount of job printing for use in the office and class-rooms; also a limited amount of printing for other organizations given in exchange for services rendered.

The practical instruction given has aided materially in gaining employment during the summer months.

The girls, too, have excellent training in domestic work under the immediate supervision of the matron.

Carefully planned courses in cooking are effective. General instruction in sewing, dress-making, ironing and weaving is given and all of the rugs used in the dormitories have been made by the girls.

In this connection, it may be well to mention the resignation in June, 1930, of Miss Carrie W. Girdler, who has given faithful and valued service for thirty-three years and who will be remembered with affectionate regard by former pupils and associates.

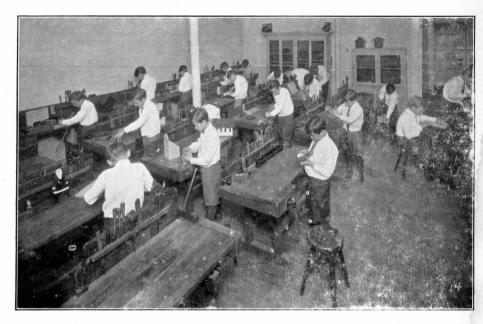
#### REPAIRS

During the past two years the interim between the time of closing in June and opening in September has been devoted to the renovation of the plant.

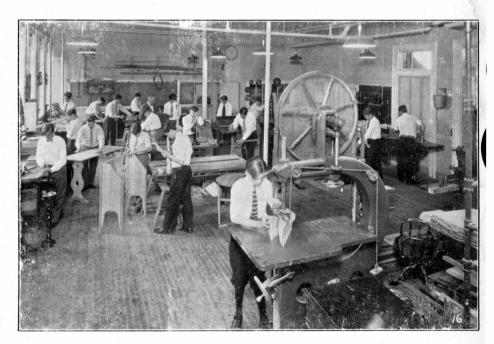
The exterior of Brownson and Taylor Halls has been repainted; walls and woodwork have been given two coats of paint or varnish; ceilings have been whitened; floors sanded and refinished; several rooms repapered; two Taco heaters installed; automatic valves, regulating the temperature of the hot water boilers, attached; considerable changes and repair work made in plumbing and a tiletex floor laid in the boys' hall.

Furniture has been refinished, mattresses renovated and renewed, twelve new beds and new rugs and carpets bought.

Because serious consideration has been given to the removal of the school to a site where more suitable buildings might be erected and more adequate playgrounds obtained for the children, the appropriation of \$3500 for a new boiler was allowed to lapse and the old boiler repaired. This boiler has been in use for thirty-five years and has been re-tubed. The jacket is thin but it is hoped that it will carry through the year. It is requested that the appropriation of \$3500 for a new boiler be held available in case of an emergency.



SLOYD ROOM



CABINET MAKING

A private fire alarm has been installed, complying with a city ordinance. A reduction in insurance rates resulted.

#### NEEDS

Urgent need of buildings better adapted to the requirements of our school is apparent. Thirty-five years ago, the State appropriated sufficient funds to purchase the residence adjoining the old Portland High School building, which was then being used as a day school for the deaf and also housed the Fraternity, the Diet Mission and several charities of the City of Portland.

Since then a new school building has been erected and three additional dwelling houses purchased and enlarged on grounds occupying 380 feet frontage on Spring Street and 100 feet frontage on Oak Street, comprising 38,379 square feet.

With each enlargement of the buildings, the very limited play-grounds of the children have been encroached upon and with the health of 109 children to be considered, it is evident that more adequate grounds are necessary and buildings more convenient and better fitted for the purpose should be constructed.

With this object in view, we are asking for the purchase of a tract of land sufficient in area to allow the construction of modern, specially planned buildings with play-grounds for out-door games and, in view of the importance of vocational training, space for a vegetable garden for educational as well as economic reasons.

Feb. 22nd, 1929, we learned of the death of Mr. Charles W. T. Goding, who had been a member of our Board of Trustees for ten years and President of the Board for more than six years. Mr. Goding was a kindly man who loved children and it was through Mr. Goding's efforts that our moving picture machine was installed and that the school was supplied with educational and entertaining films at no cost to the State. He made daily visits to the school and was always interested in the progress of the children and eager to have them provided with comfortable and pleasant surroundings.

With grateful acknowledgement and sincere appreciation of your judicious counsel and genuine interest in the welfare of the school and also for the co-operation of the teachers, officers and employees in every effort for the advancement of the efficiency of the work, this report is

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH R. TAYLOR.

#### 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 system of instruction includes all known methods of teaching the deaf, special 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 10 with two weeks' intermission at Christmas.

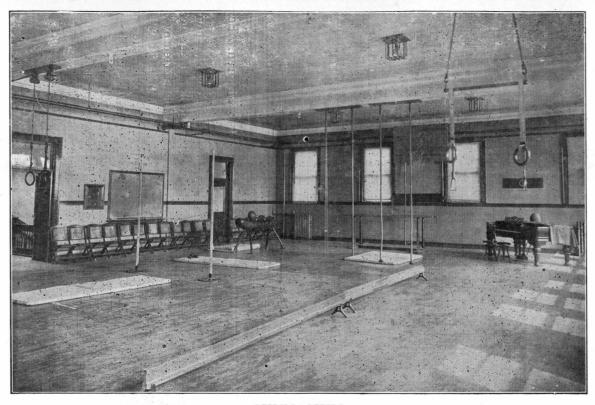
Further information will be given on application to the principal of the school, at 85 Spring Street, Portland, Maine.

#### 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 State of Maine, as follows:

SECTION 1. Every parent or 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 benefitted 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.



 ${\tt GYMNASIUM}$ 

#### PUPILS IN ATTENDANCE OCTOBER, 1930

#### BOYS

RESIDENCE

NAME Ackley, Clayton Roy Baribault, Arthur Lewis Bertrand, Everett Boissoneault, Robert Boyle, Herman Bracy, Ronald Williams Buber, Albert Buck, Vernon Stanley Burke, Charles William Butts. Edward Buxton, Raymond Byron, William J. Campbell, John Edward Conant, Frank Stanley Conant, Vinton Duane Corrier, Albert Corrier, John Cote. Romeo Courteau, Daniel Irving DeLong, Darrell Doughty, John Henry Foster, John Edward Fox, Weldon Freeman Frank, Carleton Garceau, Alphonse Gilman, Allan William Godin, Cleopha Greene, Elmer Lemuel Guerrette, Jerry Hall, Bertram Duane Hamilton, Gordon Frederick Harrington, Floyd S. Hawkins, Miles Russell Henry, Walter Hyer, Francis Edward Jellison, Dana Charles Knight, Donald Edwin Larochelle, Lionel Long, Dorance Lovely, Keith Lyons, Derrald Gray MacEwen, Kenneth Malenfant, John Paul

Marr, Milton Robert

Cutler Lewiston Dexter Biddeford East Millinocket Portland Berlin Atkinson Portsmouth Portland North Anson Exeter Lewiston Mechanic Falls Mechanic Falls Keegan Keegan Lewiston Lewiston Fort Fairfield Topsham Bradford Center Perham. South Portland Bradley South Portland Westbrook Waterville Lewiston Portland Berlin Guilford Auburn Portland Turner Augusta Camden Sanford Plaisted Brooks East Millinocket Brewer Sanford

Portland

Washington Androscoggin Penobscot York Penobscot Cumberland New Hampshire Piscataquis New Hampshire Cumberland Somerset New Hampshire Androscoggin Androscoggin Androscoggin Aroostook Aroostook... Androscoggin Androscoggin Aroostook Sagadahoc Penobscot Aroostook Cumberland Penobscot Cumberland Cumberland Kennebec Androscoggin Cumberland New Hampshire Piscataquis. Androscoggin Cumberland Androscoggin Kennebec Knox York Aroostook Walde Penobscot Penobscot

York

Cumberland

COUNTY OR STATE

#### BOYS—(Continued)

NAME

Morse, Everett Mosco, Suprem Norberg, Carl

Palmer, Raymond Harold

Perry, Walter Pike, Carl

Pratt, Virgil Ormsby Prosser, Arthur Frederick Rideout, Harry Elliott

Rodgers, Clifton

Sampson, Robert Cleveland

Shaw, John Henry Spinard, Harold Spruce, Ronald Steward, Russell Swallow. Donald

Swallow, Richard William

Theriault, Patrick Thibault, Albert Traves, Roger Winfield Turner, Vinal

Tuttle, Alfred E. Vintinner, Ralph Wade, George Amos Welch, Edward

White, Ernest Willette, Manzer Alphonse

Witham, Delmont Chester

NAME

Adams, Louise Mildred Allen, Margaret Helen Barney, Evelyn Yvette Blunda, Anna Bridges, Irene Emma Campbell, Alice Lucretia

Campbell, Katherine Carr, Catherine Elizabeth

Carr, Irene Alberta Chase, Ina Evelyn

Costello, Dorothy Elsie Cote, Annabelle

Dubois, Alvine

Dumas, Angelina Marie Dyer, Marion

Emmett, Doris Field, Ruth

Foster, Irene Gertrude

RESIDENCE

Cherryfield Manchester Cumberland Mills

Strong Warren

North Berwick

Guilford Monticello

Lee

Portland Portland West Peru Portland Plaisted

Bingham Portland Portland

Fort Kent **Berwick** Springvale

Liberty Woodfords Portland

Hebron Lincoln Kingman

Bath

W oa

GIRLS

RESIDENCE Portland

Rockland Waterville Rumford

Corea Lewiston

Lewiston Lewiston

Lewiston · Clinton

> Sanford Lewiston

St. Francis

Rumford Bridgton

Island Falls West Buxton

**Bradford Centre** 

COUNTY OR STATE

Washington New Hampshire Cumberland Franklin

Knox York .

Piscataquis Aroostook Penobscot Cumberland

Cumberland Oxford Cumberland

Aroostook Somerset .Cumberland

Cumberland Aroostook York York

Waldo Cumberland

Cumberland Sagadahoc Oxford

Penobscot Penobscot Franklin

COUNTY OR STATE

Cumberland Knox Kennebec Oxford Hancock

Androscoggin Androscoggin Androscoggin Androscoggin

Kennebec York

Androscoggin Aroostook Oxford

Cumberland Aroostook

York Penobscot

#### GIRLS—(Continued)

#### NAME

Garnett, Fern Ethel Glidden, Marion Elizabeth Jellison, Betty Louise Kelly, Georgia Frances Lacasse, Madelaine Ladd, Geneva Elaine Leclair, Carmine Mary Linscott, Shirley Esther Locke, Catherine Lowell, Eva Louise Lyons Luly Ann MacKenzie, Beatrice Mahar, Elaine Pearl Marr. Edith Margery McDonald, Zona McEachern, Velma Morrill, Gladys Morse, Emma Morse, Marion Nadeau, Adeline Emelia Nadeau, Laura Reed, Ella Arlene Rees. Doris Richard, Roseanna Smith. Avis Unia Smith, Evangeline Spencer, Jessama Enibra Steves, Marion Louise Stratton, Alice Frances Swallow, Rena May

Walton, Bessie Margaret

#### RESIDENCE

Jonesport Newport Augusta Allagash Augusta Dover-Foxeroft Augusta Salisbury Cove Bar Harbor Port Clyde East Millinocket East Harpswell West Pembroke Portland Presque Isle Presque Is!e Portland Cherryfield Cherryfield Livermore Falls Livermore Falls West Newfield Mars Hill Dover Auburn Portland Phillips Hampden East Millinocket Portland

Presque Isle

#### COUNTY OR STATE

Washington Penobscot. Kennebec Aroostook Kennebec Piscataquis Kennebec Hancock Hancock Knov Penobscot. Cumberland Washington Cumberland Aroostook Aroostook Cumberland Washington Washington Androscoggin Androscoggin York Aroostook New Hampshire Andrescoggin Cumberland Franklin. Penobscot Penobscot

Cumberland

Aroostook