

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS
of
COPLIN PLANTATION
for the
YEAR

February 1, 1936-January 31, 1937

PLANTATION OFFICERS

CLERK

J. K. Paine —

TREASURER

Louise Savage —

ASSESSORS

Odell Dyer

James Bachelder
J. K. Paine

Bruce Scribner
James Bachelder

CONSTABLE and COLLECTOR

Omer Dyer —

SCHOOL BOARD

Frank Bourque

Ethel Bachelder
Ethel Bachelder

Vinton Dyer
Vinton Dyer

SUPERINTENDENT of SCHOOLS

R. L. Sinclair

ROAD COMMISSIONER

James Bachelder

HEALTH OFFICER

T. W. Brimigion, M. D.

SURVEYORS of WOOD

LUMBER and BARK

Elmer Blackwell

Forrest Savage

PLANTATION WARRANT

State of Maine

Franklin County, S. S.

To Omer Dyer, a constable in the Plantation of Coplin, in the said County of Franklin, Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of Coplin Plantation, qualified by law to vote in Plantation affairs, to assemble at the school house in said plantation on the first day of March, 1937, at one o'clock in the afternoon to vote on the following articles, to-wit:

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting. *F. E. Blackwell*
- Art. 2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year. *Kirk Paine*
- Art. 3. To see if the plantation will vote to accept the report *gr* of the municipal officers as printed. *first Accessor Odele Dyer*
- Art. 4. To choose all necessary plantation officers for the ensuing year.
- Art. 5. To see if the plantation will vote to close the Coplin School and transport all the school children to Stratton on the State School Bus. *Pass over*
- Art. 6. To see what sum of money the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise for the support of Common Schools for the ensuing year. Estimate. \$100.00 *2 100*
- Art. 7. To see what sum of money the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise for High School tuition for the ensuing year. Estimate. \$100.00 *2 100*
- Art. 8. To see what sum of money the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise for textbooks and supplies for the ensuing year. Estimate. \$50.00 *50.00*
- Art. 9. To see what sum of money the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise for the transportation of High and Common School pupils for the ensuing year. Estimate. \$100.00
- Art. 10. To see if the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise money, and how much, for the County Health Nurse. Estimate. \$15.00
- Art. 11. To see if the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise money, and how much, for the services of the Co-operative Health Union Health Officer. Estimate. \$20.00

- Art. 12. To see what sum of money the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise to pay plantation officers bills for the ensuing year. Estimate. \$450.00 450
- Art. 13. To see what sum of money the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise for roads in the summer for the ensuing year. Estimate. \$400.00 400
- Art. 14. To see what sum of money the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise for roads in winter for the ensuing year. Estimate. \$100.00
- Art. 15. To see what sum of money the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise for the maintenance of snow fence for the ensuing year. 50
- Art. 16. To see what sum of money the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise for cutting bushes for the ensuing year. Estimate. \$75.00 75
- Art. 17. To see what sum of money the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise for the maintenance of improved sections of Third Class Highway for the ensuing year. Estimate. \$35.00 35.00
- Art. 18. To see if the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of \$605.00 for summer and winter maintenance of State Highway. (6.05 miles)
- Art. 19. To see what sum of money the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise for State Aid Highway Maintenance Patrol for the ensuing year. Estimate. \$40.00 40.00
- Art. 20. To see what sum of money the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise for State Aid Road construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Section 19, Chapter 28, Revised Statutes of 1930, or under the provisions of Section 3, Chapter 173, Public Laws of 1935. Pass over
- Art. 21. To see if the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of \$15.00 to pay dues to the Maine Municipal Association. 15.00
- Art. 22. To see what sum of money the plantation will vote to appropriate and raise for the abatement of taxes for the ensuing year. Estimate. \$40.00 40.00

Art. 23. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

The assessors give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters at the schoolhouse at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon on the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands at Coplin this ninth day of February, A. D. 1937.

Odell L. Dyer

J. K. Paine

James A. Bachelder

Assessors of Coplin Plantation

ASSESSORS' REPORT

In this Annual Report we are submitting to you the same figures that were submitted to the State Assessors for the year ending January 31, 1937.

Number of polls taxed	24
Number of polls not taxed	3
Amount assessed on each poll	\$3.00
Rate of taxation	.045

VALUATION 1936		
Real estate, resident	\$13,373.00	
Real estate, non-resident	<u>58,118.00</u>	\$71,491.00
Total real estate		
Personal estate, resident	\$2,550.00	
Personal estate, non-resident	<u>380.00</u>	\$2,930.00
Total personal estate		<u>\$74,421.00</u>
Grand total amount		

Total value of land	\$63,651.00	
Total value of buildings	<u>7,840.00</u>	\$71,491.00
Total value		

Total livestock and poultry			
Kind	Number	Av. value	total value
Horses	21	\$53.57	\$ 1125.00
Cows	52	20.00	1040.00
3 year olds	17	15.00	255.00
2 year olds	16	10.00	160.00
Colts	4	10.00	40.00
		Total value	<u>\$2620.00</u>

Exempt livestock and poultry			
Kind	Number	Av. value	total value
1 year olds	36	\$5.00	\$180.00
Sheep	60	6.00	360.00
Swine	14	6.00	84.00
Poultry	203	.75	152.25
		Total value	<u>\$776.25</u>

Other personal property		
Gasoline pumps	3	\$210.00
Radios	10	100.00
Amount taxable livestock		<u>2620.00</u>
Total amount personal property		\$2930.00

ASSESSMENTS for 1936

Common Schools	\$100.00
High School	100.00
Textbooks and supplies	50.00
Conveyance	100.00
County Health Nurse	15.00
Health Union Officer	15.00
Plantation Officers Bills	450.00
Summer Roads	200.00
Winter Roads	150.00
State Aid Highway Maintenance	50.00
Cutting Bushes	50.00
Third Class Highway Maintenance	40.00
State Highway Maintenance	605.00
State Tax	711.50
County Tax	245.34
District Tax	220.81
Overlay	246.16

Total

\$3348.81

Plantation Officers Bills

Roll Tax

876.00

3342.81

Resources

Appropriation	\$450.00	
From overlay to balance	<u>22.52</u>	\$472.52

Expenditures

Odell Dyer	First Assessor, 1936	\$100.00	
Kirkland Paine	Second Assessor	"	25.00
James Bachelder	Third Assessor,	"	20.00
Louise Savage	Treasurer	"	52.00
Kirkland Paine	Clerk	"	40.00
Frank Bourque	School Committee	"	20.00
Ethel Bachelder	School Committee	"	20.00
Vinton Dyer	School Committee	"	20.00
T. W. Brimigion	Health Officer	"	5.00
R. L. Sinclair	Supt. of Schools	"	95.52
Omer Dyer	Collector	"	<u>75.00</u>
Total			\$472.52

County Health Nurse

Resources

Appropriation	<u>\$15.00</u>	\$15.00
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Expenditures

County Health Association	<u>\$15.00</u>	\$15.00
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Cooperative Health Union

Resources

Appropriation	<u>\$15.00</u>	\$15.00
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Expenditures

Cooperative Health Union	<u>\$15.00</u>	\$15.00
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Plantation Roads in Summer

Resources			
Appropriation		\$200.00	
From overlay to balance		<u>32.52</u>	\$232.52
Expenditures			
Bruce Scribner	Labor & Truck	\$44.43	
Harry Dyer	"	5.25	
Odell Dyer	"	5.25	
Sherwood Searles	"	5.25	
Frank Chase	"	13.12	
Forrest Savage	"	10.32	
Kirk Peine	"	13.12	
Omer Dyer	Truck	34.95	
James Nile	Gravel	29.25	
Cash Supply Co.	Dynamite, Fuse etc.	5.95	
James Bachelder	Labor	44.64	
Earl Bachelder	"	9.62	
Maurice Nile	"	2.97	
Russell Seavey	"	2.80	
Moses Bachelder	"	<u>5.60</u>	\$232.52

South Branch Bridge Resources

Voted to take from surplus in Plantation Treasury at special town meeting \$247.05 \$247.05

Expenditures			
Roman Bachelder	Labor	\$25.20	
Moses Bachelder	"	29.40	
Earl Bachelder	"	21.70	
Bruce Scribner	"	5.60	
Odell Dyer	"	2.45	
Cash Supply Co.	Roofing, Spikes	14.10	
Elmer Blackwell	Stumpage	1.47	
Langtown Lumber Co.	"	27.25	
Kempton Lumber Co.	Plank	41.88	
James Bachelder	Labor & Team	<u>78.00</u>	\$247.05

Third Class Highway Resources

Rec'd from State		\$120.00	
Unexpended balance, 1935		<u>4.18</u>	\$124.18
Expenditures			
New England Metal Culvert Co.		\$21.87	
James Nile	Gravel	11.70	
Forrest Savage	Labor	5.60	
James Bachelder	"	11.25	
Earl Bachelder	"	6.65	
Kirk Paine	"	5.60	
Frank Chase	"	2.80	
Moses Bachelder	"	7.00	
Omer Dyer	Truck	23.27	
Bruce Scribner	"	<u>24.47</u>	\$120.23
	Unexpended balance		<u>\$3.95</u>

Third Class Highway Maintenance Resources

Appropriation		\$40.00	\$40.00
Expenditures			
Forrest Savage	Labor	\$2.80	
Kirk Paine	"	2.80	
Frank Chase	"	2.80	
Odell Dyer	"	2.80	
Moses Bachelder	"	4.20	
James Bachelder	" and team	7.50	
Omer Dyer	" " "	<u>3.00</u>	\$25.90
	Unexpended balance		<u>\$14.10</u>

Cutting Bushes Resources

Appropriation		\$50.00	
Unexpended balance, 1935		9.83	
From overlay to balance		<u>.37</u>	\$60.20
Expenditures			
Frank Chase	Labor	\$11.20	
Bruce Scribner	"	9.80	
Forrest Savage	"	8.40	
Harry Dyer	"	9.80	
Odell Dyer	"	9.80	
Kirk Paine	"	7.00	
Sherwood Searles	"	<u>4.20</u>	\$60.20

Fifty-Fifty Highway

Resources		
Unexpended balance, 1935	<u>\$0.74</u>	\$0.74
Expenditures		
	<u>\$0.00</u>	\$0.00
Unexpended balance		\$.74
State Highway Maintenance		
Resources		
Appropriation	<u>\$605.00</u>	\$605.00
Expenditures		
Expended by the State	<u>\$605.00</u>	<u>\$605.00</u>

State Aid Highway Maintenance

Resources		
Appropriation	\$50.00	
Unexpended balance, 1935	<u>5.00</u>	\$55.00
Expenditures		
Expended by the State	<u>\$40.50</u>	\$40.50
Unexpended balance		\$14.50

State Aid Road Account

Resources		
Unexpended balance, 1935	<u>\$14.28</u>	\$14.28
Expenditures		
	<u>\$0.00</u>	\$ 0.00
Unexpended balance		\$14.28

Tar Account		
Resources		
Balance in State Treasury from 1935		\$211.73
State Aid Highway construction		36.29
Paid by the State		
Paid out by the plantation for sanding and reimbursed by the State	<u>34.70</u>	\$282.72

Expenditures		
Expended by the State		\$248.02
Kenneth Bachelder	Labor	2.80
Vinton Dyer	"	1.05
Sherwood Searles	"	2.45
Roman Bachelder	"	2.45
Elias Knowlan	"	2.80
Richard Nile	"	2.80
James Nile	Gravel	4.05
Frank Bourque	Truck	7.87
Odell Dyer	"	<u>8.43</u>
		\$282.72

Roads in Winter		
Resources		
Appropriation		\$150.00
Rec'd from State		60.38
Unexpended balance, 1935	<u>233.22</u>	\$443.60
Expenditures		
Frank Bourque		\$77.87
Leon Wyman		23.66
Town of Eustis	<u>3.25</u>	\$104.78
Unexpended balance		\$338.82

Snow Fence		
Resources		
Rec'd from State		\$72.00
Unexpended balance, 1935	<u>131.99</u>	\$203.99

Expenditures		
Leo Scribner	Labor	\$7.65
Kirk Paine	"	8.40
Roman Bachelder	"	8.58
Forrest Savage	"	8.58
Bruce Scribner	"	3.50
Vinton Dyer	"	2.80
Moses Bachelder	"	2.80
Earl Bachelder	"	5.90
Frank Chase	"	3.50
Odell Dyer	"	3.50
Frank Bourque	" and truck	<u>11.25</u>
Unexpended balance		\$66.46
		\$137.53

Paid Plantation

Tax Collector's Report

1936 Report to Feb. 1, 1937

1936 Commitment	\$3423.81	
Discount on taxes to July 1, 1936	<u>36.82</u>	
Due Plantation		\$3386.99
1936 Excise taxes to Feb. 1, 1937		<u>32.00</u>
Total due plantation		\$3418.99
Paid Plantation Treasurer Taxes	\$2897.21	
Paid excise taxes	32.00	
Uncollected taxes	<u>489.78</u>	\$3418.99

Omer Dyer, Collector

Amount of uncollected taxes, 1935 \$212.05

Treasurer's Report 1936

Receipts

Cash on hand	\$1707.15	
Rec'd dog licenses	19.00	
Rec'd State Treasurer 1935 Highway account	211.73	
" " " Third Class road	120.00	
" " " Tar account	34.70	
" " " Snow removal	132.38	
" " " Dog license refund	6.32	
" " " State school fund	241.69	370.72
" " " Interest Reserve Land	1019.86	
" F. P. Savage, 1935 taxes	241.69	
" F. P. Savage, Excise taxes	66.12	
" Omer Dyer, Excise taxes	32.00	
" Omer Dyer, 1936 taxes	<u>2897.21</u>	\$6858.88

Expenditures

Paid County tax	\$245.34	
" State Treasurer dog tax	19.00	
" " " General tar account	211.73	
" " " Highway maintenance summer	403.50	
" " " " " winter	242.00	
" " " State tax	711.50	
" " " District tax	220.81	
" 1935 plantation orders	94.50	
" 1936 " "	2866.70	
Cash on hand	<u>1843.77</u>	\$6858.88

Louise Savage, Treasurer

To the Citizens of Coplin Plantation:

I hereby submit the sixteenth annual report from
February 1, 1936 to January 31, 1937.

Spring check-up was made in the school and home
visits regarding needed corrections were made. Ten children
were taken to the Dental Clinic at the Franklin Memorial
Hospital and one child taken to the oculist.

A well-baby and preschool clinic was held in the
summer with three children having the toxoid for the
prevention of diphtheria.

Routine school inspections were made in the fall and
notices of defects found were sent home to the parents.

The nurse assisted Dr. Arms in giving the toxoids and
doing the vaccinations in the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

North Franklin County Nursing Service

By: Kathleen Dennett, R. N.

Very sincerely yours,

E. L. Arms, M. D.

Director Cooperative Health Union

Report of Cooperative Health Union
Health Officer

Farmington, Maine
January 28, 1937

To the Assessors of Coplin Plantation

Dear Sirs:

During 1936 there were reported one case of scarlet fever and four of chicken pox, 16 visits being made to the above and contacts.

Eight were given toxoid, one was vaccinated and four were given a Dick test to determine if they were susceptible to scarlet fever.

Attended an infant and preschool conference with Mrs. Dennett, four being examined.

July 1st. The State Bureau of Health assigned a sanitary engineer, Mr. James D. Hanson, to our staff and he will attend to calls of a sanitary nature.

Coplin now has at its service a well rounded health service for the nurse and staff of the Cooperative Health Union work in close cooperation.

When the work of the Union was started in 1930 the Commonwealth Fund agreed to assist on a decreasing basis for five years that the towns might have an opportunity to decide for themselves that by joining forces a group of towns might have a rounded health service at a cost that was within their resources.

Due to a slow start the Fund for the first two years assumed the full expenditure and has continued its assistance on a decreasing basis 21 months after the original time had elapsed.

We are confident that the towns will wish to have the work continue.

Very sincerely yours,

B. L. Arms, M. D.

Director Cooperative Health Union

Common Schools	\$100.00
High School Tuition	100.00
Conveyance	100.00
Text Books and Supplies	100.00
Total	\$400.00

Report of Superintendent of Schools

Superintending School Committee

Frank Pourque
Ethel Bachelder
Vinton Dyer

Term expires March, 1937
Term expires March, 1938
Term expires March, 1939

Officers of the S. S. Committee

Frank Bourque
R. L. Sinclair

Chairman
Secretary

To the Members of the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of Coplin:

In compliance with the State law I hereby submit the annual report of the condition and progress of our school.

We were fortunate to secure as teacher, Miss Faith Reynolds of Woodfords, Maine, who is carrying on the work in a manner befitting the standards of the past years. Miss Reynolds is conscientious and hard working and is living up to the excellent recommendation given to her by Prin. W. G. Mallett of Farmington Normal School.

The attendance, as in past years, has been excellent, and reflects the attitude of all the parents in the community. Except for illness there are no absences and many children have attended school when I have felt they would be better off at home. I am not intending this remark as a criticism but as a fact to be commended.

The health work has been carried on in an entirely satisfactory manner and again we are entitled to a blue ribbon for 100% seven pointers. No school or community in the state has a better record.

There are two articles in the town warrant of special interest this year. At a school board meeting held last spring it was voted to have Article 5 placed in the warrant. You can discuss this fully at the plantation meeting and decide as you think best.

In article 9 I requested the assessors to add High school conveyance to that article as I feel this matter should be taken care of by the plantation. I will explain my position at the plantation meeting.

I am suggesting the following appropriations for the coming year.

Common Schools	\$100.00
High School Tuition	100.00
Conveyance	100.00
Text Books and Supplies	50.00
Total	\$350.00

Allow me at this time to express my appreciation of the liberal support the citizens of Coplin have given their schools and the sympathetic cooperation I have received from all while attending to my duties.

Respectfully submitted,

R. L. Sinclair

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Coplin Plantation

Fiscal year ending Jan. 31, 1937

State School Fund Account

Resources		
Unexpended balance, 1936	\$242.74	
Appropriation, Com. Schools	100.00	
" High School Tuition	100.00	
" Conveyance	100.00	
" Textbooks & Supplies	50.00	
State School Fund	370.72	
Interest on Reserve Land	<u>1019.86</u>	\$1984.32

Expenditures		
Teachers' salary	\$700.00	
Fuel	26.50	
Janitor Service	47.00	
Conveyance	330.00	
High School Tuition	412.36	
Com. School Tuition	130.20	
Textbooks and Supplies	<u>64.55</u>	<u>\$1710.61</u>
Unexpended balance		\$273.71

Repairs Account

Resources		
Unexpended balance, 1936	<u>\$14.38</u>	\$14.38
Expenditures		
Vouchers drawn	<u>\$2.35</u>	<u>\$2.35</u>
Unexpended balance		\$12.03

Report of Teacher

To the Superintendent, School Committee and Citizens:
I submit the following report of the Coplin School for the first twenty weeks of school maintenance ending Feb. 12, 1937. School opened Sept. 15th with the following enrollment:

Grade VIII	Eldora Bachelder
Grade VII	Edgar Marston
Grade IV	Blanch Bachelder
Grade III	Junior Bachelder
	Donald Savage
Grade II	Richard Savage
	Celia Bachelder
	Dorothea Bachelder
Grade I	Roger Savage
	Marcel Libby

There have been comparatively few absences until the twentieth week of school when half the pupils have been ill of the flu.

Eldora Bachelder, Blanch Bachelder and Celia Bachelder have not yet missed a day of school. The average attendance for the fall term was 9.49 and for the first twenty weeks was 9.44.

This year grade one has been separated into two divisions. The regular division has completed nearly all of the required number work for that grade and has read three primers. At the beginning of the twenty first week we shall begin work in the first reader.

This division has made splendid improvement since September.

Grade two, having completed their second grade number work in the first grade, have been doing third grade number work since the eighth week.

Grade one and two together have just completed a unit on "Home". In this unit we have correlated English, drawing, writing and spelling. We have discussed the home itself, the people in it, and those who come in contact with it. We cut and pasted pictures into our booklet, "Our Home". In it also are original drawings and short compositions. I have attempted in teaching this unit to enlarge the childrens' imaginations and have urged them to express themselves freely.

We have kept in our scrapbook samples of the best work of each pupil. In our book may be found booklets made by grades four, seven and eight on such subjects as "Industries", "China", "Little Women" and others. Also may be found specimens of handwriting arranged according to months. Some of the pupils have made marked improvement.

Grade seven has taken, along with American History, "An Introduction to American Civilization" and has nearly completed the accompanying work book.

All grades have completed more than the required amount of work to date

school shed sent with the following information:
that twenty weeks of school maintenance ending Sep. 15, 1935.
I submit the following report of the Coplin School for the
to the Superintendent, School Committee and Citizens:

Report of Teacher

At the beginning of the last half of the year we started courses in art and art appreciation for both the upper and lower grades. The children seem to enjoy these classes immensely.

Just before Hallowe'en we gave the annual entertainment and box social. We made twenty four dollars and forty cents. With this money we have subscribed to Child Life Magazine for the school and have bought health seals. With part of the remainder we are planning to buy new window shades.

Already about one half of our school are seven pointers in health and we are in hopes of receiving the seven point banner again this year.

In closing, may I extend my deepest appreciation of the fine support the Coplin School has received this year.

Respectfully submitted,

Faith A. Reynolds