

# *Message*

*of His Excellency*

JOHN G. WINANT

GOVERNOR OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
TO THE TWO BRANCHES OF THE  
LEGISLATURE, JANUARY 5, 1927



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INTRODUCTION

TEN years ago, I stood where you now stand and took the oath of office. Since that day I have been obligated to bear true faith and allegiance to my state and country to faithfully and impartially discharge all duties incumbent upon me. I am about to retire from active service. I come here in the name of the state to welcome you and to make public acknowledgment of the debt of gratitude I owe to the men and women who have worked with me over the years that have passed. No one of us ever accomplishes much alone. Whatever good thing may have come out of these years of effort, I want to share with my friends and co-workers.

It is not my intention to take this occasion to catalogue the acts of the past administration. They are part of the public record. Rather do I consider this an opportunity to leave with the incoming administration any experience that might be helpful and to inform you on those matters which are still pending and are of vital concern to the state.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

In planning the budget at the outset of my administration, we decided after carefully going over income and outgo that in order to meet estimated expenditures it was necessary to set the State Tax at \$1,500,000 and to further provide by bond issues for the repayment of illegally collected legacy taxes to the amount of \$950,000 and for the construction of a new dormitory at the Keene Normal School to cost \$250,000. Instead of issuing the bonds authorized to meet these obligations we paid from current revenue during the

