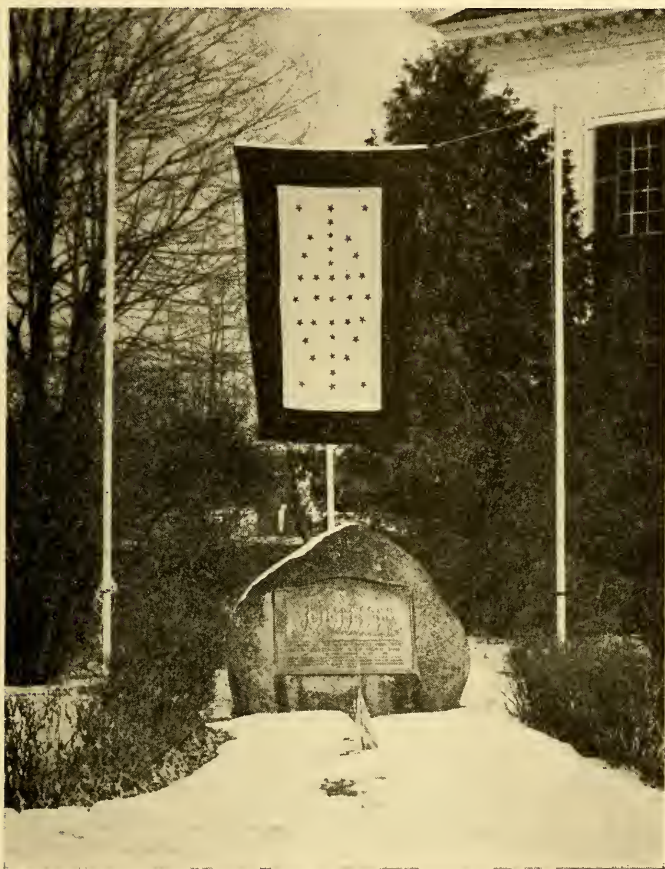



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**FRANCESTOWN BOYS
WHO HAVE ANSWERED THEIR
COUNTRY'S CALL**

Abbott, C. William
Abbott, Francis O.
Bixby, Levi M., Jr.
Babbitt, Edwin
Cleaves, Royal S.
Creighton, Eugene W.
Clough, Carl W.
Clough, Harold C.
Cilley, Raymond F.
Cole, John R.
Dirth, George N.
Foote, Hardin F.
Fleming, Amos W.
Lee, George A
Mace, Franklin
Miller, Harry J.
Miller, Herman C.
Miller, Richard W.
Megrath, William A., Jr.
McLine, William F., Jr.
McKnight, Richard, Jr.
Nason, Wendell E.
Nichols, Burton F.
Putnam, Harry J.
Pettee, F. Christie
Place, Thomas B.
Piper, Albert D.
Parker, Edwin B.
Parker, Walter L.
Quincy, David
Stone, Wilfred W.
Smith, Robert M.
Stewart, Norman
St. John, Leo A.
Tasker, Elmer D.
Vadney, Leland E.
Vadney, Evelyn F.

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LIST OF TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator, Leon E. Hoyt.

Town Clerk, Eleanor G. Cutter.

Selectmen, William A. Megrath, Carl D. Abbott, Walter A. Donnell.

Treasurer, Eleanor G. Cutter.

Tax Collector, Rodney G. Mills.

Board of Education, Elsie B. Pettee, Doris Bassett, Thomas S. Stewart.

Auditor, Leon E. Hoyt.

Supervisors, Rodney G. Mills, Arthur J. Miller, William Bassett, Jr.

Road Agent, Clayton F. Foster.

Overseer of Poor, Arthur J. Miller.

Trustees of Trust Funds, Rodney G. Mills, S. Erma Jones, Henry T Miller.

Library Trustees, Henry B. Hill, Fidelia C. Bixby, Catherine Parks.

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Francestown, in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Francestown on Tuesday, the ninth day of March, next, at 10:00 of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects.

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.
3. To see how much the town will vote to raise and appropriate for highways.
4. To see if the town will vote to accept Town Road Aid from State for construction of class 5 roads and raise and appropriate \$708.39 to procure same, the State to grant \$2,833.57.
5. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to paint the town hall, approximate cost \$350.00.
6. To see if the town will vote to allow a 2% discount on all taxes paid before August 1.
7. To see how much the town will raise and appropriate for the observance of Memorial Day.
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to pay interest on borrowed sums.

9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money for the library.

10. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to borrow a sufficient sum of money to defray current expenses in anticipation of taxes.

11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for the control of white pine blister rust.

12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to the Monadnock Region Association for advertising the resources and natural advantages of the town.

13. To see if the town will raise \$25.00 the Improvement Society to furnish a like amount to improve the Common.

14. To hear reports of Agents, Auditors and Committees heretofore chosen and take action on same.

15. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 22 day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-three.

WILLIAM A. MEGRATH

CARL D. ABBOTT

WALTER A. DONNELL

Selectmen of Francestown

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

WILLIAM A. MAGRATH

CARL D. ABBOTT

WALTER A. DONNELL

Selectmen of Francestown

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year February 1, 1943 to January 31, 1944. Compared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous Year February 1, 1942 to January 31, 1943.

Source of Revenue	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1942	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1943	Increase	Decrease
From State:				
Interest and Divi-				
dends Tax	\$817.32	\$817.32		
Railroad Tax	2.12	2.12		
Savings Bank Tax	289.82	289.82		
For Fighting For-				
est Fires	216.88	100.00		116.88
Gas Tax	2,399.00	2,327.50		71.50
From Local				
Sources Except Taxes:				
Rent of Town Hall				
and Other				
Buildings	54.00	30.00		24.00
Interest Received				
on Taxes and				
Deposits	114.89	100.00		14.89
Income from Departments:				
Filing	15.00	5.00		10.00
Motor Vehicle				
Permit Fees	440.86	300.00		140.86
Sale of Town				
Property ac-				
quired by Tax				
Deeds	100.00			100.00

Source of Revenue	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1942	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1943	Increase	Decrease
Cash on hand				
(Surplus)	3,110.97	3,171.74		
From Local Taxes				
Other than Pro-				
perty Taxes:				
(a) Poll Taxes	324.00	309.00		15.00
Total Revenues				
from all sources				
except Property				
Taxes	4,773.89	4,280.76		493.13
Amount to be raised				
by Property				
Taxes	13,317.71	12,006.94		1,310.77
Total Revenues	\$18,091.60	\$16,287.70		\$1,803.90

Purposes of Expenditures	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1942	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1943	Increase	Decrease
Current Main- tenance Expenses :				
General Gov't :				
Town Officers'				
Salaries	\$673.39	\$675.00	\$1.61	
Town Officers'				
Expenses	255.96	250.00		\$5.96
Election and Regis- tration Expenses	90.10	50.00		40.10
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	154.31	154.31		
Police Department	84.12	50.00		34.12
Fire Department	204.13	200.00		4.13
Health :				
Health Department, including hospitals	3.41	3.41		
Vital Statistics	11.50	11.50		
Highways and				
Bridges :				
Town Main- tenance	2,340.88	2,500.00	159.01	
Street Lighting	600.00	600.00		
General Expenses of Highway Department	116.56	200.00	83.44	
Town Road Aid	707.61	708.39	.78	
	443.61	216.88		226.73
	39.50	30.00		9.50

Purposes of Expenditures	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1942	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1943	Increase	Decrease
Libraries :				
Libraries	260.00	260.00		
Public Welfare :				
Town Poor	54.89	50.00		4.89
Old Age Assistance	755.33	755.33		
Patriotic Purposes :				
Memorial Day and Other Celebrations	10.00	10.00		
Recreation :				
Parks and Playgrounds, incl. band concerts	8.50			8.50
Public Service Enterprises :				
Cemeteries	314.16	314.16		
Interest :				
On Temporary Loans	206.80	150.00		56.80
Indebtedness :				
Payment on Prin- cipal of Debt :				
(b) Long Term Notes	1,295.00			1,295.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions :				
County Taxes	3,226.14	2,588.72		627.42
Payments to School Districts	6,235.59	6,500.00	264.41	
Total Expenditures	\$18,091.60	\$16,287.70		\$1,803.90

INVENTORY

Lands and Buildings		\$482,460.00
Electric Plants		17,400.00
Horses	42	3,850.00
Goats	10	140.00
Cows	174	15,505.00
Other Neat Stock	31	2,065.00
Sheep	87	2,971.00
Hogs	2	60.00
Fowls	7764	7,764.00
Portable Mills	2	300.00
Wood, Lumber, etc.		1,675.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks		610.00
Stock in Trade		3,300.00
Aqueducts		3,300.00
Mills and machinery		1,500.00
Polls 213 at \$2.00		426.00
National Bank Stock tax		.10
Total		\$542,900.00
Amount of taxes committed to collector		\$16,486.40
Average rate per cent of taxation for all purposes		3.00
Amount exempted to soldiers		\$7,550.00

**STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND
TAXES ASSESSED**

Town officers' salaries	\$675.00
Town officers' expenses	300.00
Election and registration expenses	100.00
Town hall	150.00
Police department	100.00
Fire department	200.00
Health department	10.00
Vital statistics	10.00
Town Road Aid	707.61

Town maintenance	
(Summer \$1,000.00	
Winter \$1,000.00)	2,000.00
Care of Town Clock	13.00
Added fire protection	100.00
Added police	100.00
Street lighting	600.00
General expenses of highway dept.	200.00
Added health protection	50.00
Libraries	260.00
Old age assistance	600.00
Town poor	42.00
Memorial Day	10.00
Cemeteries	200.00
Interest	150.00
Payments on Principal of Debt	1,295.00
County tax	3,226.14
School tax	6,300.00
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Total Town and School Appropriations	\$17,398.75

LESS ESTIMATED REVENUE

Interest and dividend tax	\$813.15
Railroad tax	2.20
Savings Bank tax	250.00
Motor vehicle permits fees	400.00
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	\$1,465.35
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	\$15,933.40
Plus overlay	553.00
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Net amount to be raised by taxation	\$16,486.40

Less Poll taxes 213	\$426.00	
National Bank stock taxes	.10	
		\$426.10
Amount to be raised by property taxes		\$16,060.30
Property taxes	\$16,060.30	
Poll taxes	426.00	
National Bank stock taxes	.10	
Total taxes to be committed to collector		\$16,486.40

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures

	Appro- priations	Spent	Balance	Over- draft
Town Charges	\$3,200.00	\$3,223.50		23.50
Town Maintenance				
Winter highways	1,957.01	1,332.32	624.69	
Summer highways	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Library	260.00	260.00		
Cemeteries	300.00		300.00	
Payments on Prin- cipal of debt	1,295.00	1,295.00		
T. R. A.	707.61	707.61		
County tax	3,226.14	3,226.14		
	\$11,945.76	\$11,044.57	\$924.69	\$23.50
				\$901.19
			\$924.69	\$924.69

**Financial Report of the Town of Francestown in
Hillsborough County for the Fiscal Year Ended
January 31, 1943**

ASSETS

Cash—In hands of treasurer	\$3,171.74	
Accounts Due to the Town:		
Due from State—Bounties	19.00	
(b) T. R. A.	8.04	
Other bills due Town:		
(a) Unredeemed taxes levy 1941	301.75	
Uncollected Taxes:		
(a) Levy of 1942	2,006.78	
(b) Levy of 1941	28.30	
(c) Levy of 1940	29.60	
(d) Previous Years	7.30	
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Total Assets	\$5,672.67	
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Grand Total		\$5,672.67

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:		
Due to School Districts:		
(a) Dog licences	\$111.45	
(b) Balance of Appropriation	1,800.00	
Outstanding Temporary Loans in		
Anticipations of Taxes	2,000.00	
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Total Liabilities		\$3,911.45
Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus)		1,761.22
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Grand Total		\$5,672.67

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Total taxes committed to	
collector, 1942	\$16,509.60
Less uncollected 1942	2,006.78
1. Property taxes, current	
year, actually collected	\$14,180.82
2. Poll taxes, current, actually	
collected	324.00
4 Total of current year's collections	\$14,504.82
5. Property and poll taxes, pre-	
vious, actually collected	2,187.81
6. Tax sales redeemed	361.08

From State:

(b) For Class V Highway maintenance	2,399.00
Fire at Doyles, paid by Mr. Doyle	7.00
8. Interest and dividend tax	817.32
9. Railroad tax	2.12
10. Savings bank tax	289.82
13. Fighting forest fires	216.88
14. Bounties	22.00

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

17. Dog licenses	111.45
18. Filing fees	15.00
20. Rent of town property	54.00
21. Interest received on taxes	114.89
22. Hiram S. Bailey, Est.	187.41
24. Hob & Nob Farm Solvay	21.50
27 Registration of motor vehicles,	
1942-43 Permits	438.43
1943-44 Permits	2.43

Total Current Revenue Receipts	<u>\$21,752.96</u>
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Receipts Other than Current Revenue:
29. Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	3,000.00
34. Refunds Mr. H. T. Miller	55.80
36. Trust funds	125.00
37. Sale of town property acquired by tax deed	100.00
Sale of Town History	5.00
Cost of tax sales	4.42
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Total Receipts Other Than Current Revenue	\$3,290.22
Total Receipts From All Sources	\$25,043.18
Cash on hand February 1, 1942	\$3,110.97
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Grand Total	\$28,154.15

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses :

1. Town officers' salaries	\$673.39
2. Town officers' expenses	264.96
3. Election and registrations expenses	81.10
5. Expenses town hall and other town buildings	154.31

Protection of Persons and Property :

6. Police department, including care of tramps	84.12
7. Fire department	204.13
8. Forest fires	443.61
9. Bounties	19.00
10. Special Fire Appropriation	43.32

Health :

11. Health department, including hospitals	3.41
12. Vital statistics	11.50

Highways and Bridges :

Gas money	2,329.00
14. Town Road Aid	707.61
15. Town Maintenance (Summer, \$1,008.67 Winter, \$1,332.32)	2,340.99
16. Street lighting and sprinkling	600.00
17. General Expenses of Highway Department	116.56
Insurance on old school	15.00

Libraries :

18. Libraries	260.00
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Public Welfare :

19. Old age assistance	755.33
20. Town poor	54.89
21. Care of Town Clock	13.00

Patriotic Purposes:	
22. Aid to G. A. R. Memorial Day exercises	10.00
Recreation:	
24. Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts	8.50
Public Service Enterprises:	
27. Cemeteries, including hearse hire	314.16
Unclassified:	
Miscellaneous	24.35
28. Auto permits	39.50
29. Taxes bought by town	301.75
30. Cost of tax sales	20.39
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Total Current Maintenance Expenses:	\$9,893.88
Interest:	
31. Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	206.80
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Total Interest Payments	\$206.80
Indebtedness:	
44. Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	4,000.00
45. Payments on long term notes	1,295.00
48. Payments to trustees, trust funds	125.00
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Total Indebtedness Payments	\$5,420.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:	
50. Taxes paid to County	3,226.14
52. Payments to School Districts	6,235.59
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Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions	\$9,164.73
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Total Payments for all Purposes	\$24,982.41
Cash on hand January 31, 1943	\$3,171.74
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Grand Total	\$28,154.15

Schedule of Town Property

DESCRIPTION	VALUE
1. Town Hall, land and buildings	\$3,500.00
Furniture and equipment	500.00
2. Libraries, lands and buildings	2,500.00
Furniture and equipment	500.00
3. Police Department, lands and buildings	100.00
Equipment	50.00
4. Fire Department, equipment	3,000.00
5. Highway Department, lands and buildings	500.00
Equipment	3,500.00
Materials and Supplies	150.00
6. Town histories	190.00
9. Schools, lands and buildings	10,000.00
Equipment	1,600.00
10. All lands and buildings acquired through	
Tax Collector's deeds	25.00
Town dump	100.00
Total	<hr/> \$26,215.00

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.

WILLIAM A. MEGRATH

CARL D. ABBOTT

WALTER A. DONNELL

Selectmen

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Auto permits for 1942

February	56 permits	\$204.84
March	44 permits	131.21
April	12 permits	29.29
May	14 permits	40.98
June	2 permits	4.08
July	2 permits	3.80
August	6 permits	11.80
September	3 permits	4.00
October	5 permits	4.12
November	0 permits	
December	3 permits	4.24
January	1 permits	.79

Auto Permits for 1943

January	1 permits	2.43
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		\$440.86

Respectfully submitted,

ELEANOR G. CUTTER, Town Clerk

Ending January 31, 1943

DOG LICENSES

Number of dogs licensed in 1942 (49)

41 Male and spayed dogs at \$2.00	\$82.00	
8 Females dogs at \$5.00	40.00	
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		\$122.00
Commission on 49 dogs at 20c	\$9.80	
Tags	.75	
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		\$10.55 \$111.45

Respectfully submitted

ELEANOR G. CUTTER, Town Clerk

Ending January 31, 1943

STATEMENT OF TAX COLLECTOR

Levy 1942

DR.

	\$16,486.60	
Added Taxes	23.00	
	<hr/>	\$16,509.60
Over payment	2.00	
	<hr/>	\$16,511.60

CR.

Paid Treasurer	\$14,504.82	
Uncollected	2,006.78	
	<hr/>	\$16,511.60
Interest	1.29	

Respectfully submitted

RODNEY G. MILLS

Tax Collector

Levy of 1941

DR.

Uncollected taxes Jan. 31, 1942	\$2,236.11
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CR.

Paid Treasurer	\$2,179.81	
Abatements	28.00	
Uncollected	28.30	
	<hr/>	\$2,236.11
Interest collected	\$69.45	

Respectfully submitted

RODNEY G. MILLS

Tax Collector

Levy of 1940

DR.

Uncollected Jan. 31, 1942	\$48.91
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CR.

Paid Treasurer	\$5.15
Abatements	14.00
Uncollected	29.76

Respectfully submitted

RODNEY G. MILLS

Tax Collector

Levy of 1939

DR.

Uncollected Jan. 31, 1942	\$9.30
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CR.

Paid Treasurer	\$2.00
Uncollected	7.30

Respectfully submitted

RODNEY G. MILLS

Tax Collector

Levy of 1940

Tax Sales Redeemed

Hiram S. Bailey

Tax	\$44.20
Interest	6.67
Cost	2.21

 \$53.08

Respectfully submitted

RODNEY G. MILLS

Tax Collector

Levy of 1940

Tax Sales Redeemed
Fred F. Foote & Sons

Tax	\$316.88
Interest	37.38
Cost	2.21

\$356.47

Respectfully submitted

RODNEY G. MILLS

Tax Collector

Levy of 1941

Tax Sales
Arthur D. Bailey

Tax	\$7.48
Interest	.53
Cost	2.71

\$10.72

Fred L. Burnham Est.

Tax	\$34.00
Interest	2.55
Cost	2.21

\$38.76

Charles Goggin

Tax	\$27.20
Interest	2.03
Cost	2.21

\$31.44

Clarence Magoon Est.

Tax	\$35.02
Interest	2.63
Cost	2.21

\$39.86

Edith E. Orff		
Tax	\$17.00	
Interest	1.28	
Cost	2.21	
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Elmer C. Orff		
Tax	\$3.40	
Interest	.23	
Cost	2.21	
	<hr/>	\$5.84
Mrs Perly Todd		
Tax	\$10.20	
Interest	.75	
Cost	2.21	
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Harry E. Smith Est.		
Tax	\$13.60	
Interest	.98	
Cost	2.21	
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Alden R. Urdall		
Tax	\$153.85	
Interest	11.55	
Cost	2.21	
	<hr/>	\$167.61

Levy of 1940

Dr.

Uncollected Jan. 31, 1942 \$48.91

CR.

Paid Treasurer	\$5.15	
Abatements	14.00	
Uncollected Jan. 31, 1943	29.76	
	<hr/>	\$48.91

Levy of 1939

DR.

Uncollected Jan. 31, 1942	\$9.30
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CR.

Paid Treasurer	\$2.00	
Uncollected Jan. 31, 1943	7.30	
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Levy of 1939

Uncollected

Amy B. Foote	\$2.00	
Clayton Hobbs	5.30	
	<hr/>	\$7.30

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER
OF THE TOWN OF FRANCESTOWN
For the Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1943**

Receipts:

Balance in Treasury Feb. 1, 1942	\$3,110.97
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Rodney G. Mills, Collector:

Collector of tax list, 1939	\$2.00	
Collector of tax list, 1940	6.00	
Collector of tax list, 1941	2,179.81	
Collector of tax list, 1942	14,481.82	
Collector of tax list, 1941 interest	69.45	
Collector of tax list, 1942 interest	1.29	
Collector of tax list, 1942 extra tax	23.00	
		\$16,763.37

Rodney G. Mills, Collector

F. F. Foote Sons, 1940 tax claim	\$316.88	
F. F. Foote Sons, 1940 cost and interest	39.59	
Hiram S. Bailey Est., 1940 tax claim	44.20	
Hiram S. Bailey Est., 1940 interest	6.77	
Hiram S. Bailey Est., 1940 cost	2.21	
		\$409.65

Donald M. Smith, sale of Buttler land	100.00	
		100.00

State Treasurer:

Bounties	\$22.00
Gasoline tax	2,399.00
Forest fires	46.55
Forest fires	128.23

Forest fires	42.10	
Railroad tax	2.12	
Savings Bank tax	289.82	
Interest and dividends tax	817.32	
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		\$3,747.14

Eleanor G. Cutter Clerk :		
Candidates for office	\$15.00	
Auto permits 1942	438.43	
Auto permits 1943	2.43	
Dog licenses	111.45	
Sale of Town History	5.00	
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		\$572.31

Souhegan National Bank :	
Loans	\$3,000.00

Gladys Vadney, Janitor :	
Rent Town Hall	\$6.00
Oak Hill Grange, rent of town hall 1941	24.00
Oak Hill Grange, rent of town hall 1942	24.00
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	\$54.00

Walter Foster, share due

Fred H. Bailey	\$187.41	
Henry T. Miller, refund	55.80	
Hob and Nob Farm, sale of Sallvoy	21.50	
Victor L. White, fire at Doyles	7.00	
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		\$271.71

Trust Funds:	
Sarah G. Sawyer, fund	\$100.00
Edwin A. Terren, fund	25.00
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	\$125.00
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Total Receipts	\$28,154.15
Payments by order of Selectmen	24,982.41
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Balance in treasurer Jan. 31, 1943	\$3,171.74

Respectfully submitted

ELEANOR G. CUTTER, Treasurer Ending Jan. 31, 1942.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries :

William A. Megrath, selectman	\$150.00
Carl D. Abbott, selectman	150.00
Walter A. Donnell, selectman	150.00
Eleanor G. Cutter, town clerk	35.00
Eleanor G. Cutter, treasurer	40.00
Rodney G. Mills, tax collector	100.00
Arthur J. Miller, overseer of poor	30.39
Leon E. Hoyt, auditor	18.00

 \$673.39

Town Officers' Expenses :

Edson C. Eastman Co., supplies	\$5.50
Transcript Printing Co., town reports	113.95
W. A. Donnell, Keene tax meeting	3.00
W. A. Megrath, transportation and expense Keene	7.95
Register of Deeds, returning names and mortgage	11.49
Wm. A. Megrath, transportation and expense road meeting Keene	6.50
Carrol F. Clark, town officers bonds	65.00
Brown & Saltmarsh, deeds	.25
Carl D. Abbott, expense examining Read property	4.00
Hopkins Printing Co, tax bills	11.00
N. H. Collectors' Association, dues	2.00
C. D. Abbott, telephone calls	.60
A. E. Holt, supplies	.25
C. F. Clark, postage and supplies	6.88
J. Sweeney, legal advice	2.00
Eleanor G. Cutter, postage and expense	10.59
Rodney G. Mills, postage and expense	5.00

 \$255.96

Election and Registration:

A. J. Miller, ballot clerk	\$3.00	
Harry J. Miller, ballot clerk	3.00	
Transcript Printing Co., ballots	8.50	
A. J. Miller, ballot clerk	3.00	
E. C. Eastman Co., warrants	.60	
Leon E. Hoyt, moderator 3 meetings	15.00	
Lillian C. Stewart, ballot clerk 2 meetings	6.00	
A. J. Miller, supervisor	6.00	
Bryant P. Abbott, election officer	3.00	
L. E. Dow, election officer	9.00	
Wm. Basset, Jr., election officer	9.00	
Rodney G. Mills, supervisor	24.00	
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		\$90.10

Town Hall:

Levi M. Bixby, insurance	\$75.00	
Public Service Co., lights	15.80	
Ernest Foot, wood	4.00	
Gladys C. Vadney, janitor	25.00	
Victor L. White, repairing switch	1.00	
C. D. Abbott, wood	26.00	
C. F. Clark, supplies	7.51	
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		\$154.31

Police Department:

A. J. Miller, care of tramps	\$33.50	
Victor White, police work	41.12	
E. Foote, wood for tramp house	6.50	
Henry Parker, blankets for tramp house	3.00	
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		\$84.12

Fire Department :

Howard D. Prince, express on tools	\$1.54
Public Service Co., service	12.24
C. H. Cragin & Son, repairs	87.09
State of N. H., shovels-pails etc.	21.20
C. L. Lane Co., bomb pails	2.88
V. S. Ames, express on pails	.25
E. Jaffrey Oil Co., fuel oil	45.50
N. H. State Fireman's Assoc., dues	15.00
C. F. Clark, supplies	14.43
Joe Quinn, work on water hole	4.00

 \$204.13

Fire Department Special :

F. S. Gage, siren horn	\$40.32
C. H. Clough, siren horn	3.00

 \$43.32

Forest Fires :

Victor L. White, fire at Doyles	\$7.00
Victor L. White, fire at Buswells	93.10
Victor L. White, fire at Gilchrist	259.31
Victor L. White, fire at South End	84.20

 \$443.61

Bounties :

Wm. A. Megrath	.80
Carl D. Abbott	10.80
W. A. Donnell	7.40

 \$19.00

Health Department :
 Victor L. White, water samples and express \$3.41

Vital Statistics :
 Returning births and deaths \$11.50

Town Maintenance :
 Summer highways \$1,008.67
 Winter highways 1,332.32
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 \$2,340.99
 Gas money 2,329.00
 T. R. A. \$707.61
 Street Lighting \$600.00

General Expenses :
 Clark Wilcox Co., tractor parts \$50.17
 C. F. Foote, bridge plank-tools etc. 61.89
 C. F. Clark, snaths 4.50
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 \$116.56

Trust Funds :
 Sarah Sawyer, fund \$100.00
 E. A. Terren, fund 25.00
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 \$125.00
 Libraries \$260.00
 Old Age Assistance \$755.33
 Town Poor \$54.89
 Memorial Day \$10.00
 Parks and Playgrounds, flag pole \$8.50

Cemeteries :

A. E. Holt, cleaning and mowing	\$205.31	
A. E. Holt, sexton	44.80	
Hob & Nob Farm, fertilizer	8.25	
Henry T. Miller, money advanced on labor	55.80	
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		\$314.16

Interest :

Souhegan National Bank, temporary loans	\$167.34	
Souhegan National Bank term loans	16.93	
Rodney G. Mills, tax sales	22.53	
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		\$206.80

Indebtedness :

Souhegan National Bank, temporary loans	\$4,000.00	
First National Bank Peterboro, tractor note	\$1,000.00	
Souhegan National Bank, fire equipment	\$295.00	
Treasurer Hillsboro County, county tax	3,226.14	
Frances H. Smith, treasurer, school district	6,122.53	
Frances H. Smith, treasurer, dog tax	113.06	
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		\$14,756.73

Unclassified :

Eleanor G. Cutter, auto permits	\$39.50
Rodney G. Mills, taxes bought by town	301.75
Rodney G. Mills, cost of tax sales	20.39
Rodney G. Mills, care of town clock	13.00

Edson C. Eastman Co., scale book	.70	
Wm. A. Megrath, stars for service flag	.90	
Joe Quinn, work on dump	14.00	
Thomas S. Stewart, stars and rods		
for service flag	8.75	
Levi M. Bixby, insurance on old school	15.00	
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		\$413.99

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT**1942**

Winter Highways :

William Basset, Jr., labor	\$55.80	
Victor White, labor	23.50	
Clarence Edwards, labor	16.50	
Wilfred Foote	3.20	
Harry Miller, labor	3.20	
Robert Smith, labor	13.80	
A. W. Lord, labor	6.90	
John Cole, labor	4.40	
Otis Higgins, labor	4.70	
A. O. St. John, labor	4.40	
Carl Cilley, labor	3.20	
Raymond Cilley, labor	.80	
Wm. McCline, Jr., labor	.80	
Clayton Foote, truck	126.30	
Royal Cleaves, truck	4.20	
Gladys St. John, gravel	.75	
A. E. Holt, gasolene	5.25	
F. H. Colburn Co., gasoline	17.77	
C. C. Jones, gasolene	3.55	
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Total		\$299.02
Summer highway balance	\$7.80	
Winter highway balance	110.72	
Received from town	200.00	
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		\$318.52
Payments by Road Agent	\$299.02	
Balance		\$19.50
Overdraft gas money 1941	\$18.82	
Balance due town		\$.68

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM BASSET, JR.

Winter Highways:

Labor

Clayton Foote	\$168.65
John Cole	19.20
Robert Smith	36.70
Albert Dodge	19.20
Armidaus St. John	18.00
William Stone	17.50
Lester Foote	62.25
Wilfred Foote	23.25
Clifton Foote	12.25
Victor White	77.00
Arthur Lord	9.75
Charles Lord	3.75
Wallis Dustin	3.75
Stuart Clark	5.50

Trucks:

Clayton Foote	185.08
Stanley Rainey	57.60
Genoa Stone, gravel	3.20
John Downing, repairing plow	6.80
E. C. & W. L. Hopkins, salt	37.00
Henry Frederick, repairing tools	23.96
Clayton Foote, repairs for tractor	1.80
C. F. Clark, gas	41.27

Bank Charges:

First National Bank	10.30
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Total	\$843.76
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1943	56.24
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	\$900.00

Respectfully submitted,

CLAYTON F. FOOTE, Highway Agent

Gas Tax Money, 1942

Labor

Clayton Foote	\$353.70
Charles Champagne	321.00
William Stone	288.00
Robert Smith	84.00
Lester Foote	48.00
Robert Westerway	26.85
Armidaus St. John	151.25
Wilfred Foote	47.25
Clifton Foote	22.50
Stuart Clark	38.25
Robert Baker	4.50
Raymond Cilley	3.60
Richard Cilley	3.60
Walter Creighton, Jr.	.90
Harold Foote	5.85
Frank Garish	14.00

Gravel:

Genoa Stone	5.70
Country Club	4.00
Carl Cilley	17.10
Charles Reed	14.00

Trucks:

Clayton Foote	399.60
Royal Cleaves	33.00
Carrol Clark	10.00
Clayton Hobbs, team	4.00

Gas:

C. F. Clark	40.58
A. E. Holt	40.78
Socony Vacuum Oil, oil and grease	24.17

Tools and Repairs:

Steel Products Co.	30.27
C. H. Cragin & Son	5.45
Bert Smith, blasting caps	4.80
Merrimack Farmers Ex., cement	8.19
Eva Nichols, bridge stringers	24.00
Joe Thompson Garage, repairs	4.00

Total Spent	\$2,082.89
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1943	117.11

\$2,200.00

Respectfully submitted,

CLAYTON F. FOOTE, Highway Agent

Summer Highways:

Labor

Clayton Foote	\$164.80 .
William Stone	113.10
Charles Champagne	114.75
Robert Smith	73.00
Albert Dodge	21.20
Armidaus St. John	21.60
John Cole	75.80
Morris Paige	3.20
Carl Swanson	6.80
Victor White	2.50
Otis Higgins	15.60
Leo St. John	3.20

Gravel:

Genoa Stone	5.10
Gladys St. John	10.30
Pearl Abbott	12.50

Trucks:

Clayton Foote	147.60
Stanley Rainey	63.60

Gas :	
Arthur Holt, gas	44.97
Socony Vacuum Oil Co.	11.40
Teams :	
William Lord	8.00
Arthur Miller	7.20
Clayton Hobbs	20.00
Tools and Repairs :	
John Downing, repairs	5.60
C. H. Cragin & Son, tire	11.83
C. P. Truffant, sharpening	5.85
A. E. Holt, tools	5.20
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Total	\$974.70
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1943	25.30
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	\$1,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

CLAYTON F. FOOTE, Highway Agent

General Expenses of Highway Department

A. E. Holt, tools	\$11.05
C. F. Clark, tools	10.50
Carl Cilley, tools	3.00
A. E. Holt, bridge plank	18.34
J. H. Chandler, tools	13.00
Carl Cilley, tools	6.00
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	\$61.89

Respectfully submitted,

CLAYTON F. FOOTE, Highway Agent

GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY

CASH RECEIPTS FOR 1942-43

Balance from 1941-41	\$77.83	
Town Appropriation	260.00	
Doll Money	22.50	
Fine Money	8.25	
		\$368.58
Cash Expenditures		350.07
Cash on hand		\$18.51
Available Interest from the Arthur Clark fund and the Mary Manning Fund deposited for 1942		\$25.77
Available Interest from the Village Improve- ment Society fund		\$25.69
Mary Manning Fund is		\$1,000.00
Arthur Clark Fund		25.00
Village Improvement Fund		1,000.00

CASH EXPENDITURES FOR 1942-43

			Check No.
Feb. 23 1943	Agnes M. Cutter, lib. wages	\$13.60	162
Feb. 24	Victor L. White, jan. wages	5.00	163
Feb. 26	Levi M. Bixby (magazines)	15.00	164
Mar. 5	Personal Book Shop	29.90	165
Mar. 12	Victor L. White, jan.	4.00	166
Apr. 17	Agnes M. Cutter, lib. wages 2 mo.	24.80	167
Apr. 27	Victor L. White, jan.	8.25	168
May 19	Agnes M. Cutter, lib.	15.20	169
May 19 1942	Carl D. Abbott (fuel)	18.00	170
June 19	Personal Book Shop	25.92	171

June 3	Levi M. Bixby (magazines)	9.00	172
June 19	Agnes M. Cutter, lib.	13.20	173
June 19	Victor L. White, jan.	5.75	174
July 24	Agnes M. Cutter, lib.	13.60	175
July 24	National Geographical Society	3.00	176
Aug. 29	Henry Bixby Hill	15.30	177
	Reimbursed for salary paid Agnes M. Cutter, lib.		
Aug. 29	Yvonne Creighton, cleaning library	14.00	177
Sept. 26	Agnes M. Cutter, lib.	15.20	178
Oct. 24	Agnes M. Cutter, lib.	15.20	179
Nov. 5	Victor L. White, jan. (wages and slab wood)	17.15	180
Nov. 21	Levi M. Bixby (magazines)	13.75	181
Nov. 27	Agnes M. Cutter, lib.	14.40	182
Dec. 12	Victor L. White	3.00	183
Dec. 31	Agnes M. Cutter, lib.	14.20	184
Jan. 21	Agnes M. Cutter, lib.	15.20	185
	Expenditure from fine money for supplies	6.50	
	Bank charges on checking account	1.55	
		<hr/> \$350.07	

HENRY BIXBY HILL
FIDELIA C. BIXBY

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

Number of books in Library February 1, 1942	5,567
Number of books purchased	20
Gifts:	
State Aid Fund, N. H. Library Commission	16
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Frees	6
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Wright	2

Loyal Wright	3
Miss Emily Rogers	1
Mr. Harry Wiggin	9
Miss Winifred Rand	3
Miss Margaret Rand	1
Estate of Florence G. Knowlton	11
Mrs. William Basset, Jr.	1
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	5,637
Number of books discarded	30
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Number of books in Library February 1, 1943	5,607
Books Circulated for the Year:	
Fiction	3,115
Non-fiction	489
Juvenile	2,040
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Total	5,644
Magazine	1,138

Gifts of Magazines:

Miss Winifred Rand—Jack and Gill.

Francestown Branch Alliance—Christian Register.

Anonymous—Farm Journal.

Magazines subscribed to by the Library:

The American, American Homes, Better Homes and Gardens, Cosmopolitan, Field and Stream, Good Housekeeping, Ladies Home Journal, Life, National Geographic, Open Road for Boys, Outdoor, Readers' Digest, Popular Science, Saturday Evening Post, Story Parade, Woman's Home Companion, Yankee.

The drop in our circulation of fiction and non-fiction for the year, is due to the fact that during the winter months our population is so small. More books were issued in the summer than ever before, and the increase in the juvenile department is very gratifying. A circulation of 2,040 as com-

pared with 952 in the year 1937, when opening the Library for two hours on Tuesdays, especially for the convenience of the school children, was first started. The hours have now now been changed to Wednesday afternoons, 2:00 until 4:00, the children coming by grades during that time. The hours on Saturday, 2:00 until 8:00, remain the same.

Our connection with the N. H. Library Commission and the State Library has been maintained, and is of inestimable advantage to our patrons.

Respectfully submitted,

AGNES M. CUTTER,
Librarian.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Road Agent, Trustees of Library and Trustees of Trust Funds and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

LEON E. HOYT,
Auditor.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

		Term Expires
Moderator	Fred A. Pettee	March, 1943
Clerk	Frances H. Smith	March, 1943
Treasurer	Frances H. Smith	June, 1943
Auditor	Miss Minnie M. Tobie	March, 1943
School Board:		
Chairman &		
Secretary	Mrs. Elsie B. Pettee	March, 1944
	Mrs. Doris Basset	March, 1945
	Raymond Henson (resigned)	
	Thomas S. Stewart (appointed)	March, 1943
Supt.	Vernon S. Ames, Wilton, N. H.	
Grammar	Miss Hope E. Barker	
Primary	Mrs. Grace Rainey	

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1942-1943:

January 4 to March 19	11 weeks
April 5 to June 11	10 weeks
Holiday: May 31	

1943-1944:

September 8 to November 23	11 weeks
November 29 to December 17	3 weeks
January 3 to March 17	11 weeks
April 3 to June 16	11 weeks

 36 weeks

Holidays: November 11, February 22,
May 30

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE FRANCESTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 1941
AND ENDING JUNE 30, 1942

RECEIPTS

Received from Selectmen—1941-1942 appropriation	\$6,212.13
Received from Selectmen—Dog tax 1941	113.06
Received from Lyndeborough School District	272.00
State aid	408.87
Received from Cogswell Benevolent Trust	500.00
Received from Robert C. Cutter, Trustee of Clark Fund for Dental Clinic 1941	28.75
Received, cash payments by parents for dental clinic, 1941	2.50
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	\$7,537.31
Cash on hand July 1, 1941	277.11
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Grand Total	\$7,814.42

PAYMENTS

Administration :	
Salaries of District Officers	\$116.00
Superintendent's excess salary	129.75
Truant officer and school census	10.00
Expenses of administration	124.55
Instruction :	
Principals and teachers' salaries	1,850.00
Textbooks	68.17
Scholars' supplies	89.46
Flags and appurtenances	5.00
Other expenses of instruction	27.19

Operation and Maintenance of School Plant :	
Janitor service	175.00
Fuel	184.14
Water, light, janitors supplies	108.58
Minor repairs and expenses	58.92

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities :	
Medical Inspection	111.23
Transportation of pupils	1,687.70
High School tuitions	1,139.10
Other special activities	6.97

Fixed Charges :	
Per Capita tax	120.00
Insurance	75.00

Outlay for Construction :	
Grading school lawn, concrete walk, fencing	495.42
New equipment	113.83

Debt Service :	
Payment of principal of debt	500.00
Payment of interest on debt	175.00

Total payments for all purposes	\$7,371.01
Total cash on hand at end of year (June 30, 1942)	443.41
	<hr/> \$7,814.42

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

ADMINISTRATION

Salaries of District Officers :	
Royal S. Cleaves, services on school board	\$40.00
Raymond H. Henson, services on school board	25.00

Elsie B. Pettee, services on school board	25.00	
Frances H. Smith, services as treasurer and clerk	23.00	
Minnie M. Tobie, services as auditor	3.00	
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		\$116.00

SUPERINTENDENT'S EXCESS SALARY

N. H. Supervisory Union No. 63	\$129.75
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TRUANT OFFICER AND SCHOOL CENSUS

Royal S. Cleaves	10.00
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EXPENSES OF ADMINISTRATION

G. A. Reynolds, school treasurer's bond	\$5.00	
Supervisory Union No. 63, office expense and tests	75.01	
Dr. E. H. Kane, dental clinic	31.25	
Vernon S. Ames, travel expenses finding teachers, telephone bills, postage	5.79	
F. H. Colburn C. stamped envelopes	2.00	
Frances H. Smith, postage	1.50	
Raymond H. Henson, trip to Supervisory Union meeting, and telephone calls	3.00	
Registry of Probate, excerpt from the will of Levi Woodbury	1.00	
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		\$124.55

INSTRUCTION

Mary P. Dow	\$1,000.00	
Lucille H. Bemis	850.00	
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		\$1,850.00

TEXTBOOKS

Martin and Murray Co.	\$9.66
Scott-Foresman Co.	38.10
The Macmillan Co.	.75
L. W. Singer Co.	2.78
Ginn and Co.	12.93
Lyons and Carnahan	3.06
Charles E. Merrill Co.	.89

 \$68.17

SCHOLARS' SUPPLIES

Dowling School Supply Co.	\$3.60
Henry S. Wolkins Co.	5.00
Gladhill Bros. Inc.	11.14
Milton Bradley Co.	3.63
The Macmillan Co.	3.68
Lyons and Carnahan	1.66
American Education Press Inc.	15.20
Scholastic Publication	7.00
J. L. Hammett Co.	6.95
Allyn and Bacon	6.31
Scott-Foresman C.	10.93
Edward Babb Co.	9.89
Levi M. Bixby	2.65
Vernon S. Ames	1.82

 \$89.46

FLAGS AND APPURTENANCES

Gledhill Bros. Inc	\$5.00
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OTHER EXPENSES OF INSTRUCTION

Martin and Murray	\$16.90
Beckley-Cardy Co	2.86
Estate of James P. Melzer	4.25
World Book Co.	2.13
Otis L. Wakefield	1.05

 \$27.19

JANITOR SERVICE

George B. Foote	\$69.00	
Walter Creighton	106.00	
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FUEL

East Jaffrey Oil Co.	\$184.14
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WATER, LIGHT AND JANITOR SUPPLIES

Public Service Co. of N. H.	\$32.00	
The Holmerden Co.	12.40	
Francetown Electric & Water Co.	40.48	
Masury-Young Co.	7.70	
F. H. Colburn Co.	14.60	
George B. Foote	1.00	
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MINOR REPAIRS AND EXPENSES

Lovejoy and Smith	\$13.89	
George B. Foote	11.40	
Arthur W. Lord	33.63	
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AUXILIARY AGENTS

Margaret E. Harris, medical inspection	\$111.23
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TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS

George Dirth	\$692.00	
Frank Jones	588.20	
Arthur Lord	346.00	
Fred Paige, high school pupil	13.50	
Arthur Lord, high school pupil	48.00	
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OTHER SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

C. L. Lane Co. 1½ doz. bomb pails	\$2.88
Sears Roebuck Co., 2 bats, 1 baseball	2.66
Vernon S. Ames, 2 shovels	1.43
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	\$6.97

HIGH SCHOOL TUITIONS

New Boston School District	\$698.42
Peterborough School District	261.12
New Hampton School	100.00
Hillsborough Special School District	75.56
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	\$1,139.10

FIXED CHARGES

State Treasurer per capita tax	\$120.00
Levi M. Bixby, Agt. insurance	75.00
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	\$195.00

OUTLAY FOR CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT

Howard L. Whitcomb, grading school grounds	\$317.02
E. H. Edwards, concrete walk	176.00
Eugene W. Creighton, fencing school lawn	2.40
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	\$495.42

NEW EQUIPMENT

Moulton Ladder Co., stepladder	\$4.50
Edward E. Babb Co., supplies	9.25
Royal Cleaves, Cot.	3.76
Heywood Wakefield, Desks	81.60
Walter Creighton, express on desk	1.00

Frank Dunn, rubbish burner and paper holder	4.23	
Denoyer-Geppert Co., map	2.82	
Edward Babb Co., steel door-mat	6.57	
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		\$113.83

DEBT SERVICE

Souhegan Nat'l Bank, first payment on debt	\$500.00	
Souhegan Nat'l Bank, interest	175.00	
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		\$675.00

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND H. HENSON
ELSIE B. PETTEE
DORIS C. BASSET

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts of the Francestown School District and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

MINNIE M. TOBIE, Auditor

The School Board is again pleased to report that through the Trustees of the Cogswell Benevolent Trust the school-building received two coats of paint and all the floors in the building were refinished.

A set of Children's Encyclopedia was given to the school by Rev. William A. Lee.

**Financial Report of the Treasurer of the Francestown
School District for the Year Ending June 30, 1942**

Cash in bank July 1, 1941	\$277.11
Received from Selectmen:	
1941-1942 appropriation	6,212.13
Dog tax 1941	113.06
Received from State Treasurer, State Aid	408.87
Received from Lyndeboro School District, Tuition	272.00
Received From Robert C. Cutter, trustee of Clark Fund for dent- al clinic, 1941	28.75
Cash payments from parents for dental clinic, 1941	2.50
Received from Cogswell Benevolent Trust Fund	500.00
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Total amount available for fiscal year	\$7,814.42
Less school board orders paid	7,371.01
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Balance in bank June 30, 1942	\$443.41

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCES H. SMITH

District Treasurer

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1943-1944

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF FRANCETOWN

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1943.

Detailed Statement of Expenditures:

Support of Schools:

Teachers' salaries	\$2,100.00
Textbooks	75.00
Scholars' supplies	120.00
Flags and appurtenances
Other expenses of instruction	20.00
Janitor service	225.00
Fuel	225.00
Water, light and janitors' supplies	100.00
Minor repairs and expenses	50.00
Health supervision (medical inspection)	110.00
Transportation of pupils	1,600.00
Other special activities	10.00
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	\$4,635.00

Other Statutory Requirements:

Salaries of District Officers (fixed by district)	\$116.00
Truant Officer and School Census (fixed by district)	10.00
Superintendent's excess salary (fixed by Supervisory Union)	130.00
Payment of tuition in high schools and academies (estimated by Board)	1,000.00
Expenses of administration	100.00
Per capita tax (reported by State Treasurer)	138.00
Insurance	75.00

New Equipment	
Payment of debt	500.00	
Payment of interest on debt	155.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,224.00
Total amount required to meet School		<hr/>
Board's Budget		\$6,859.00
Estimated Income of District:		
Anticipated balance, June 30, 1943	\$200.00	
Dog tax (estimated)	100.00	
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Total estimated income (deduct)		\$300.00
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Assessment required to balance School Board's		
Budget less amount of State Aid		\$6,559.00

ELSIE B. PETTEE

DORIS BASSET

THOMAS S. STEWART

School Board

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

TO THE SCHOOL BOARD AND CITIZENS OF FRANCESTOWN:

I respectfully submit my ninth annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

EDUCATION IN WAR TIME

These are times when, in the midst of a great struggle for the survival of certain cherished ideals, we are searching out clearer understandings of those ideals and more effective means of making them permanent realities. In the field of education people everywhere are giving serious thought to the problems of the present and the future, realizing that it is largely through education that these ideals can become clearer and more permanent.

For the winning of the war it is evident that most of the young people in high school will have to be concerned largely with the immediate necessities, and that before the war is won most of them will be in service as fighters or as workers in the multitude of war industries and war services. This necessity creates grave problems in the field of secondary and all forms of post-secondary education.

But for the younger boys and girls who are now in the elementary schools it is not probable that such service will be required unless the war is longer than we now anticipate. We must prepare them for adult living in conditions of peace and democracy that will be as nearly world wide as they can be made. Certain conditions of living will doubtless be changed in some degree from those that prevailed in the past. This is perhaps a good time to restate the results that are to be expected from the teaching that is carried on in the elementary school through grade 8. The following items are all essential and cannot be arranged in any order of importance.

(1) We must see that all children establish the skills and habits of accuracy in reading, spelling, writing and arithmetic, which are fundamental to successful living.

(2) We must build up their morale by establishing the feeling of self confidence, courage, and security, and by restraining them from undue excitement and hysteria over the events of the war, and from thinking of other peoples in terms of either hatred or fear.

(3) We must teach them good health by effective instruction in health habits, choice of food, prevention and treatment of common diseases, sanitation, and recreation.

(4) We must see that they acquire right attitudes and habits in respect to community life while participating in both war-time and peace-time activities, such as war savings, salvage drives, Red Cross, victory gardens, etc.

(5) We must so direct the teaching of Geography as to develop accurate knowledge of the earth as a whole, of its natural resources, and of the types of culture of its various peoples and their relationships and interdependence, stressing the key position held by the people of the United States and their responsibility for world order and security.

(6) We must so direct the teaching of History as to emphasize the ideals of freedom and equality and show how they developed in our country and in other countries, to the end that there may be the clearest possible understanding of these ideals as a basis for unwavering loyalty to them.

(7) We must provide for all the richest possible experiences in literature, music, and art, in order to awaken and establish an enjoyable appreciation of them as expressions of truth and beauty and as means of self expression.

SUPERVISION

The general functions of supervision are being maintained as completely as possible and substantially as indicated in previous reports. It is difficult to maintain as complete a program as formerly, because of the many demands upon the superintendent's time and energies arising out of the war emergency. The most important of these during the past year have had to do with the various rationing

programs requiring the organization of the schools to take care of the registration for sugar rationing, gasoline rationing, and fuel oil rationing; the "Food For Victory Program" including organizing for high school pupils to assist farmers in harvesting apples, and attempting to organize classes for out-of-school youth and adults; handling the details of organizing and reporting on the use of surplus commodities to supplement school lunches; the details of organizing and reporting the "Penny Milk Program" in some schools; the necessity for a complete review of transportation plans for all schools; and the preparations now being made for the registration for War Ration Book II.

BUDGET

While the most of the items in the budget presented for 1943-'44 are the same, or nearly the same as last year, changes in several items call for explanation. The allowance for teachers' salaries is increased \$125.00 because of the known facts that there is a definite teacher shortage and a definite trend toward higher salaries. The estimated amount required for payment for high school tuition is \$350.00 less than last year because we expect there will be fewer pupils attending high school. The net results of these and other lesser changes in budget items is a reduction of nearly \$300.00 in the total budget. We anticipate a balance of \$200.00 at the close of the current year and this with the usual amount estimated for dog tax reduces the assessment required to balance the budget to \$6,559. The amount of state aid has not yet been announced and will not be known until just before the March meeting. When it is known, that amount should be deducted from the \$6,559 and the balance will be the required assessment.

Respectfully submitted,

VERNON S. AMES

Superintendent of Schools

February 9, 1943

STATISTICS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1942

Attending School in Francetown: Boys 26; Girls 38;
Total 64.

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Primary	10	4	5	7					26
Grammar					11	12	8	7	38
									<hr/> 64
Elsewhere:									
	New Boston High School						9		
	Peterborough High School						3		
	Hillsboro High School						1		
	New Hampton School						1		

ATTENDANCE

SCHOOL	Average Member- ship	Average Attend- ance	Per cent of Attend- ance	Tardiness	
				Total	Per Pupil
Primary	25.18	24.03	94.95	18	.69
Grammar	33.56	32.36	96.38	42	1.10
	<hr/> 58.74	<hr/> 56.39	<hr/> 95.66	<hr/> 60	<hr/> 1.02

Visits:

By School Board Members	16
By Superintendent	60
By Citizens	272

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

For Four Consecutive Years: Leslie Vadney.

Three Terms: Louis Champagne, Clifton Foote, George St. John, Stephanie Creighton, Gale Smith.

Two Terms: Winnifred Foote, Hazel Murdo, Lydia Murdo, Philip Riddle, Marion Riendeau, Charles Champagne, Ann Basset, William Champagne, Andrew Clark, Alice Riendeau.

One Term: Elizabeth Cilley, Ida Cilley, Mildred Cilley, Lucille Foote, Vurlyne Foote, Charles Hale, Ada Belle Murdo, Raymond Reid, Jessie Riendeau, Mary Riendeau, Jacqueline Smith, Elizabeth St. John, Violet Cilley, Charles Murdo, Edna Paige, Paul Riendeau, Marian Higgins, Arthur Merrill.

Statistics for First 18 Weeks 1942-1943

Census: (Ages 5-16) Boys 19; Girls 31; Total 50.

In Francestown School	52*
In New Boston High School	9
In Peterborough High School	1
In Hillsboro High School	1
In Manchester High School	1

*Includes 6 tuition pupils from Lyndeboro

ENROLLMENT BY GRADES

School	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Primary	8	8	1	6					23
Grammar					7	8	7	7	29
									52

ATTENDANCE

SCHOOL	Average Member- ship	Average Attend- ance	Per cent of Attend- ance	Tardiness	
Primary	21.6	20.3	90.1	12	2
Grammar	28.2	27.3	96.4	42	30

Note.—32 of the 54 tardinesses were caused by bus difficulties, and these are not counted against the pupils' records.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

TO MR. VERNON AMES, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

My report of the health work from January 1942 to January 1943, follows.

Total number of pupils examined	52
Number underweight 10%	9
Number defective vision	10
Number defective teeth	21
Number diseased tonsils	8
Number poor posture	1
Number given hearing tests with Audiometer	32
Number found to have hearing loss	1

CORRECTIONS

Number at the school dental clinic (May)	15
Number vision cases corrected to glasses	3
Number pediculosis (attended to)	3

Prophylatic tooth brushes were available at 10c each.

Cod Liver Oil was given in school, to all whose parents who wished them to have it.

First Aid Kits were refilled.

A hot lunch was provided by the ladies of the community.

Number of school visits	36
Number classroom inspections	8
Home visits	7
Official visits	5
Days given to school work	13

It is doubtful if a dentist could be found to do clinic work at the schools this year. Parents should know this, in order that they may make arrangements to have their children's teeth cared for at the dentists' offices.

In conclusion, I thank the Superintendent of Schools, Teachers, Members of the School Board, Health Officer, Parents, Pupils and all others for their support and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET E. HARRIS, R. N.

Report of the Trust Funds, Town of Franchestown, N. H., Year Ending January 31, 1943

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund and Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Balance of Income at beginning of year	Income during Year	Ex- pended during Year	Balance of Income at end of year
1852	Levi Woodbury—Educational Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	\$1,000.00	2 1/2	\$46.94	\$26.06	21.79	51.21
1856	Jennie Bradford Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	351.70	2 1/2	102.96	11.31	19.25	95.02
1909	Ebenezer Pettee Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2 1/2	19.32	2.97	4.25	18.04
1913	Richard Stanley Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2 1/2	14.90	2.86	4.00	13.76
1915	William Boyd Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	150.00	2 1/2	34.75	4.60	5.50	33.85
1916	Issacher Dodge Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	50.00	2 1/2	2.04	1.29	2.00	1.33
1916	Ephraim & Chas. Morgan Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100.00	2 1/2	9.74	2.71	6.00	6.43
1916	Mary C. Abbott Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	75.00	2 1/2	3.31	1.95	3.00	2.26
1916	Mary A. Bixby Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100.00	2 1/2	4.44	2.59	3.50	3.53
1917	Nancy M. Danforth Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100.00	2 1/2	5.07	2.61	3.50	4.18
1917	Marion H. Balch Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	200.00	2 1/2	29.83	5.64	20.50	14.97
1918	Abnera Felch Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100.00	2 1/2	4.99	2.61	2.75	4.85
1918	Daniel Ordway Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	50.00	2 1/2	2.31	1.29	1.75	1.85
1919	Jessie F. Osborn Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2 1/2	6.81	2.66	3.25	6.22
1920	Henry H. Lynch Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2 1/2	4.88	2.61	2.50	4.99
1922	Mary D. Roper Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	300.00	2 1/2	16.51	7.91	6.00	18.42
1922	J. Ann Weston Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50.00	2 1/2	2.17	1.29	1.75	1.71
1922	Eva M. Farmer Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2 1/2	3.79	2.58	3.00	3.37
1922	Daniel W. Duncklee Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	75.00	2 1/2	3.53	1.96	2.25	3.24
1923	Susan M. Downes, Unknown Dead	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50.00	2 1/2	2.16	1.29	2.00	1.45
1924	Moses Jellison Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100.00	2 1/2	4.51	2.59	4.00	3.10
1925	Mark Dean Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50.00	2 1/2	2.58	1.29	2.50	1.37
1925	Reuben Sawyer & Garvin Sleeper Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	100.00	2 1/2	4.57	2.60	3.47	3.47
1927	Clara Dean Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2 1/2	5.11	2.61	3.50	4.22
1927	George F. Holt Cemetery Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	200.00	2 1/2	13.33	5.33	3.50	15.16
1928	Vilana A. Clark Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2 1/2	4.68	2.61	3.50	7.29
1928	Moses B. Fisher Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2 1/2	5.22	2.62	3.50	4.34
1929	Ordway & Snell Cemetery Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2 1/2	4.22	2.59	3.00	3.81
1929	Anna P. Fairbanks Cemetery Fund— Geo. C. Preston, Donor	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100.00	2 1/2	4.48	2.60	2.50	4.58

1929	Mary J. Boynton Cemetery Fund	100.00	2 1/2	4.74	2.61	3.00	4.35
1929	Benjamin Dean Cemetery Fund	50.00	2 1/2	2.17	1.39	2.00	1.46
1930	Georgianna Fitch Cemetery Fund	100.00	2 1/2	5.27	2.60	5.00	2.87
1931	Jennie G. Dodge Cemetery Fund	150.00	2 1/2	8.84	3.94	6.00	6.78
1931	Walter N. Maxfield Cemetery Fund	100.00	2 1/2	4.85	2.60	3.00	4.45
1932	John A. Burnham Cemetery Fund	150.00	2 1/2	8.66	3.95	5.00	7.61
1933	Sarah A. Hill Cemetery Fund	50.00	2 1/2	2.15	1.29	2.00	1.44
1934	Addie L. Morse Cemetery Fund	900.00	2 1/2	71.49	24.27	25.62	70.14
1935	Willard Carter Cemetery Fund	150.00	2 1/2	9.04	3.97	4.50	8.51
1935	John L. Epps Cemetery Fund	100.00	2 1/2	4.93	2.61	2.00	5.54
1935	Willard Cemetery Fund	100.00	2 1/2	4.93	2.60	4.00	3.53
1935	George E. Dawnes Cemetery Fund	100.00	2 1/2	5.73	2.64	2.00	6.37
1936	Frank Robinson Cemetery Fund	100.00	2 1/2	5.42	2.61	4.00	4.03
1936	Arthur G. Clark Cemetery Fund	100.00	2 1/2	5.05	2.60	4.56	3.09
1936	Joseph Pitts Cemetery Fund	100.00	2 1/2	4.76	2.59	4.50	2.85
1937	Samuel & Ephraim Fuller Cemetery Fund—	200.00	2 1/2	13.82	5.33	4.50	14.65
1939	Mrs. Emma Goodell, Donor	100.00	2 1/2	4.43	2.60	2.50	4.53
1939	Fred Henderson Cemetery Fund	100.00	2 1/2	6.39	2.64	4.00	5.03
1939	George F. Lowe Cemetery Fund	100.00	2 1/2	6.17	2.67		8.84
1940	Sadie B. Birtch Cemetery Fund	82.58	2 1/2	2.41	2.13		4.54
1941	Chas. H. Nichols Cemetery Fund	100.00	2 1/2				2.93
1942	Sarah G. Sawyer Cemetery Fund	100.00	2 1/2		1.67		1.67
1943	Edwin A. Tarren Cemetery Fund	25.00	2 1/2				

Births Registered in the Town of Francestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1942

Date of birth	Name of Child	No. child		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
		Sex							
1942									
Jan. 31	Clayton Orson Philbrick	[M]	1	Clayton Orson Philbrick	Lucy Mary Clark	Francestown	Cattle Dealer	Manchester, N. H.	Hillshoro, N. H.
Feb. 17	Peter Lewis Milliard	[M]	1	Enclid Camille Milliard	Almira Brown	Francestown	Army Farmer	(Not given)	Henniker, N. H.
Apr. 27	Richard Alden Prince	[M]	2	Howard D. Prince	Stella L. Black	Francestown	Salvage Administration	New Boston, N. H.	Wears, N. H.
May 12	Robert Bruce MacAdam	[M]	1	William C. MacAdam	Lois B. Schnell	Francestown	Auditor Am. Guernsey	New York, N. Y.	Croton-on-Hudson, N. Y.
May 19	Robert Nutting Abbott	[M]	3	Frank R. Abbott	Nellie L. Nutting	Francestown	Farmer	Peterborough, N. H.	Francestown, N. H.
Aug. 17	Bonnie Westway	[F]	1	Howard L. Westaway	Frances A. French	Francestown	Farmer	Prince Edward Isl.	Braintree, Mass.
Aug. 30	Allan Bruce Easton	[M]	1	George L. Hoyt	Ruth Ethel Easton	Francestown	Stone mason	Stonham, Mass.	Francestown, N. H.
Sept. 12	William Francis Hoyt	[M]	6	George L. Hoyt	Frances J. Hart	Francestown	Farmer	Deering, N. H.	Derry, N. H.
Oct. 6	Barbava Beverly Poote	[F]	1	Clayton F. Foote	Amy B. Blandhard	Francestown	Farmer		Greenfield, N. H.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELEANOR G. CUTTER, Town Clerk.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Francestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1942

Place & Date of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age	Occupation	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Name and Residence of Person by Whom Married
1942 Mar. 28 Topsham, Me.	Converse P. Trufant Mabel Wilson	Francestown Brunswick, Me.	69 65	Blacksmith Housework	Topsham, Me. Brunswick, Me.	John A. Trufant Abbie Stinchfield Charles Morang Abbie Nickerson	Topsham, Me. Lewiston, Me. Gardiner, Me. Brunswick, Me.	C. J. Stuart Clergyman Topsham, Me.
Apr. 3 Francestown	Robert E. Colburn Olive I. St. John	New Boston Francestown	23 17	Mill Worker Student	New Boston Francestown	Edward N. Colburn Nina E. Turner A. Oliver St. John Carrie G. Johnson	New Boston, N. H. Stoddard, N. H. Francestown, N. H. New Boston, N. H.	Louis W. Swanson Clergyman New Boston, N.H.
Sept. 5 Milford	Charles W. Abbott Catherine H. Lebiek	Francestown Manchester	30 27	Soldier Dressmaker	Francestown Manchester	Carl D. Abbott Pearl Bryant John Lebiek Stanislaw, Szeswgiot	Stoddard, N. H. New Boston, N. H. Poland Poland	W. F. Addison Cong. Minister Milford, N. H.
June 29 Francestown	William F. Richardson Ida Leonora Wilson	Francestown Francestown	71 82	Farmer Housekeeper	Francestown Bristol, N. H.	Stephan Richardson Mary Foote David Morse Leonora Kendall	Sutton, N. H. Greenfield, N. H. Francestown, N. H. Alexandria, N. H.	Louis W. Swanson Clergyman New Boston, N.H.

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ELEANOR G. CUTTER, *Town Clerk.*

Deaths Registered in the Town of Francestown, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1942

Date	Name and Surname of Deceased	Years Months Days	Place of Birth		Occupation	Place of Birth		Name of Father	Name of Mother
			Sex	M or W		Father	Mother		
1942									
Jan. 18	Frank B. Crosby	78 8 13	M	W	Painter	Hillsboro	Not given	Alphus Crosby	Not given
June 16	Clarence B. Foote	83 9 15	M	W	Carpenter	Deering	Francestown	Patrick Foote	Rebecca Whitfield
Aug. 1	Fred Waldo Paige	66 1 24	M	M	Farmer	Gilmanton	Ellenburg, N. Y.	Joseph Paige	Sarah Worden
Aug. 3	Oliver St. John	81 10 15	M	M	Laborer	Canada	Canada	Louis St. John	Adeline Plant
Aug. 26	James Whitfield	93 10 11	M	W	Retired	Wilton, Me.	Wilton	George Whitfield	Elvira Hutchinson
Sept. 18	Joseph A. Chandler	73 7 30	M	W	Retired	Andover, Mass.	Francestown	Nathan Chandler	Zebiah Farnum
*Sept. 18	Milton G. Starratt	81 7 25	M	M	Retired	Francestown	Francestown	James H. Starratt	Theresa A. Morgan
Oct. 29	Leona F. Miller	83 8 24	F	M	Housewife	Hooksett	Manchester	Samuel A. Hockett	Selena Poor
Nov. 11	William H. Cole	76 9 25	M	W	Market G'd'r	St. Emile, Can.	Moretown, Vt.	Eugene Sham	Cordelia Sun
Nov. 23	Hattie Kenncrson	65 4 18	F	W	Housewife	St. Emile, Can.	Moretown, Vt.	Eugene Sham	Cordelia Sun

Bodies Brought to Town for Burial.

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ELEANOR G. CUTTER, Town Clerk.

