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ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

OFFICERS

of the

TOWN OF BENNINGTON

NEW HAMPSHIRE



For the Year Ending Jan. 31

1946

ANNUAL REPORTS

Of the Receipts and Expenditures of

BENNINGTON, N. H.

TOGETHER WITH REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICERS

For the Fiscal Year Ending January 31,

1946



ALSO VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 31, 1945

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TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen

ARTHUR J. PIERCE
LAWRENCE J. PARKER
HARRY W. BROWN

Town Clerk

JOHN H. LINDSAY

Town Treasurer

ARTHUR F. BELL

Road Agent

HERBERT E. WILSON

Tax Collector

JAMES H. BALCH

Library Trustees

HOWARD C. CHASE
JOHN P. WESTON
PHILIP E. KNOWLES

Trustees of Trust Funds

EDITH L. LAWRENCE
FRIEDRIKA L. EDWARDS
HENRY W. WILSON

Overseer of Poor

HENRY W. WILSON

Janitor of Town Hall
PAUL G. TRAXLER

Sexton
WILLIAM J. TAYLOR

Water Commissioners
J. FRED MILES
LAWRENCE J. PARKER
HARRY W. BROWN

Superintendent of Water Works
J. FRED MILES

Firewards
J. FRED MILES
JOHN ARMSTRONG
PEARL J. WARREN

Chief Forest Fire Warden
HENRY W. WILSON

Supervisors Check List
HENRY W. WILSON
LEON MESSER
PHILIP E. KNOWLES

Ballot Inspectors
HERBERT A. CURTIS
J. FRED MILES

Moderator
GEORGE E. EDWARDS

Trustees Evergreen Cemetery
GEORGIETTA BRYER
HENRY W. WILSON
HARRY W. BROWN

Trustees Sunnyside Cemetery

JOHN P. WESTON
HENRY W. WILSON

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

ERNEST E. WILSON
LAWRENCE J. PARKER

Sealer of Weights and Measures

FRED A. KNIGHT

Auditors

MAURICE C. NEWTON
EDWARD C. BLACK

Dog Constable

EDWARD E. FRENCH

Constable

ARTHUR R. SHELDON

Special Police

EDWARD E. FRENCH
JOHN ARMSTRONG
PAUL G. TRAXLER
STEVE YOKOVAKIS

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall, in said Bennington on TUESDAY, the TWELFTH DAY OF MARCH, next, at ten 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 see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Memorial Day.

3 To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Highways and Bridges.

4 To see if the Town will accept State Aid for Class V Roads, and raise and appropriate money for same.

5 To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary, in anticipation of taxes.

6 To see what action the Town will take in regard to real estate taken over by the Town for non-payment of taxes.

7 To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate to Monadnock Region Association of Southern New Hampshire.

8 To see if the Town will vote to Tar the road, from so-called Dodge corner on Francestown road to the so-called Dodge farm, and from the Dodge road to the Tar road at George Holmes', and raise and appropriate money for the same.

9 To see if the Town will vote to install Toilets in the so-called old Selectmen's room on the Ground Floor of Town Hall, and raise and appropriate money for same.

10 To see if the Town will vote to raise \$100.00 for the upkeep of Sunnyside Cemetery.

11 To see if the Town will vote to buy 100 feet of 2½-inch hose and 100 feet of 1½-inch hose and raise and appropriate money for the same.

12 To see what action the town will vote to take regarding a Welcome Home Celebration for returning Veterans, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

13 To see what action the Town will take with relation to the balance of the Civilian Defense appropriation.

14 To see what action the Town will take with relation to the Bathing Beach at Lake Whittemore, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

15 To see what sum of money the Town will raise for statutory requirements and to carry the articles, and appropriations of the School District into effect.

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

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

LAWRENCE J. PARKER
HARRY W. BROWN
Selectmen of Bennington

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

LAWRENCE J. PARKER
HARRY W. BROWN
Selectmen of Bennington

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Bennington, N. H., qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the Eighth day of March, 1946, at eight o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

- 1 To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
- 2 To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
- 3 To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
- 4 To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
- 5 To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer; and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District.
- 6 To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
- 7 To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.
- 8 To see if the District will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the District, as determined by the School Board in its annual report.

9 To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing year.

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

Given under our hands at said Bennington this fourteenth day of February, 1946.

MARTHA L. WESTON
DORIS M. PARKER
School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

MARTHA L. WESTON
DORIS M. PARKER
School Board.

BUDGET FOR TOWN OF BENNINGTON—1946

| Sources of Revenue | Actual Revenue Previous Yr 1945 | Estimated Revenue Ensuing Yr 1946 | Incr. | Decr. |
|--|--|--|----------------|-------|
| FROM STATE: | | | | |
| Interest and Dividends | | | | |
| Tax | \$ 299 36 | \$ 299 36 | | |
| Railroad Tax | 99 42 | 99 42 | | |
| Savings Bank Tax | 315 53 | 315 53 | | |
| For Fighting Forest Fires | 88 35 | 88 35 | | |
| FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES: | | | | |
| Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings | 274 90 | 274 90 | | |
| Income of Departments: | | | | |
| (a) Highway, including rental of equipment | 445 22 | 445 22 | | |
| Filing fees | 24 00 | 24 00 | | |
| Income from Municipally owned Utilities: | | | | |
| (a) Water Depts. | 1697 89 | 1697 89 | | |
| Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | 323 88 | 323 88 | | |
| FROM LOCAL TAXES OTHER THAN PROPERTY TAXES: | | | | |
| (a) Poll Taxes: Reg. @ \$2 | 460 00 | 460 00 | | |
| TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES | \$4028 55 | \$4028 55 | | |
| AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES | 24049 21 | 24112 20 | 62 99 | |
| TOTAL REVENUES | \$28077 76 | \$28140 75 | \$62 99 | |

| Purposes of Expenditures | Actual Expend. Previous Yr 1945 | Estimated Expend. Ensuing Yr 1946 | Incr. | Decr. |
|--|--|--|--------|--------|
| Current Maintenance Expenses: | | | | |
| GENERAL GOVERNMENT: | | | | |
| Town Officers' Salaries | \$1215 00 | \$1215 00 | | |
| Town Officers' Expenses | 539 00 | 539 00 | | |
| Election and Registration Expenses | 39 00 | 117 00 | 78 00 | |
| Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings | 1164 06 | 1000 00 | | 164 06 |
| PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY: | | | | |
| Police Department | 207 10 | 250 00 | 42 90 | |
| Fire Department | 611 24 | 500 00 | | 111 24 |
| HEALTH: | | | | |
| Health Department, including hospitals | 91 15 | 91 15 | | |
| HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES: | | | | |
| Town Maintenance | 2409 43 | 2409 43 | | |
| Street Lighting | 861 63 | 1000 00 | 138 37 | |
| General Expenses of Highway Department | 558 30 | 558 30 | | |
| Town Road Aid, Class 5 | 178 67 | 178 67 | | |
| LIBRARIES: | | | | |
| Libraries | 200 00 | 200 00 | | |
| PUBLIC WELFARE: | | | | |
| Town Poor | 293 30 | 293 30 | | |
| Old Age Assistance | 523 89 | 823 89 | 300 00 | |
| PATRIOTIC PURPOSES: | | | | |
| Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations | 50 00 | 50 00 | | |

| Purposes of Expenditures | Actual Expend. Previous Yr 1945 | Estimated Expend. Ensuing Yr 1946 | Incr. | Decr. |
|---|--|--|------------------|-----------------|
| RECREATION: | | | | |
| Parks and Playgrounds, in- cluding band concerts | 117 58 | 117 58 | | |
| PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES: | | | | |
| Municipally owned Water and Electric Utilities | 1519 00 | 1519 00 | | |
| Cemeteries | 115 00 | 100 00 | | 15 00 |
| Auto Permits | 41 25 | 41 25 | | |
| INTEREST: | | | | |
| On Bonded Debt | 320 00 | 280 00 | | 40 00 |
| Indebtedness: | | | | |
| Payment on Principal of Debt: | | | | |
| (b) Long Term Notes | 1000 00 | 1000 00 | | |
| Payments to Other Governmental Divisions: | | | | |
| County Taxes | 4185 18 | 4485 18 | | |
| Payments to School Districts | 11218 00 | 11372 00 | | |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES | \$27457 78 | \$28140 75 | \$1013 27 | \$330 30 |

INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF BENNINGTON

| Description of Property | Valuation |
|--|---------------------|
| Land and Buildings | \$358,735 00 |
| Growing Wood and Timber | 19,565 00 |
| Electric Plants | 7,053 00 |
| Horses, 18 | 1,750 00 |
| Cows, 70 | 6,490 00 |
| Other Neat Stock, 2 | 175 00 |
| Fowls, 4489 | 5,621 00 |
| Portable Mills, 4 | 775 00 |
| Wood, Lumber, etc. | 6,075 00 |
| Gasoline Pumps and Tanks, 12 | 1,220 00 |
| Stock in Trade | 208,126 00 |
| Mills and Machinery | 370,300 00 |
| Total Valuation | \$985,885 00 |
| | |
| Poll Taxes—Regular, 248 at \$2.00 | 496 00 |
| Poll Taxes—Special, 254 at \$3.00 | 762 00 |
| Amount of taxes for local purposes to be committed to collector including town and precinct taxes, regular poll taxes and national bank stock taxes | \$25,143 13 |
| Special Poll Taxes | 762 00 |
| Total Taxes to be Committed to Collector | \$25,905 13 |
| Average rate of taxation per \$100 valuation for all purposes | \$2 50 |
| Amount property valuation exempted to soldiers | \$4,650 00 |
| No. inventories sent out 230; No. inventories returned 165 | |

LAWRENCE J. PARKER
HARRY W. BROWN
Selectmen of Bennington.

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES

ASSESSED, 1945

| | |
|---|-----------|
| Town Officers' Salaries | \$ 970 00 |
| Town Officers' Expenses | 539 97 |
| Election and Registration Expenses | 60 00 |
| Town Hall Painting Appropriation | 600 00 |
| Town Hall and Buildings | 800 00 |
| Police Department | 275 00 |
| Fire Department | 500 00 |
| Health Department | 73 89 |
| Vital Statistics | 11 50 |
| Town Road Aid | 178 65 |
| Town Maintenance | 2,700 00 |
| Fire Hose Appropriation | 200 00 |
| Monadnock Region Appropriation | 50 00 |
| Town Highway Special Appropriation | 200 00 |
| Town Clock Appropriation | 125 00 |
| Street Lighting | 939 96 |
| General Expenses of Highway Department | 380 14 |
| Libraries | 200 00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 650 00 |
| Town Poor | 1,000 00 |
| Memorial Day | 50 00 |
| Parks and Playgrounds, inc. Band Concerts | 30 70 |
| Water and Electric Utilities | 1,613 19 |
| Cemeteries | 100 00 |
| Interest | 310 00 |
| Payments on Principal of Debt | 1,000 00 |
| County Tax | 4,185 18 |
| School Tax | 9,945 00 |

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Total Town and School Appropriations | \$27,688 18 |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|

Less Estimated Revenues and Credits:

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Interest and Dividend Tax | \$ 299 67 |
| Railroad Tax | 93 60 |
| Savings Bank Tax | 344 08 |
| Motor Vehicle Permit Fees | 376 05 |
| Rent of Town Property | 293 85 |

| | | |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| Interest Received on Taxes | 9 41 | |
| Water and Electric Depts. | 1649 18 | |
| Tractor | 128 00 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total Revenues and Credits | | \$3,193 84 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Plus Overlay | | \$24,494 34 |
| | | 648 79 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Net Amount to be raised by Taxation | | \$25,143 13 |
| Less Regular Poll Taxes at \$2.00 | | 496 00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is to be figured | | \$24,647 13 |
| Taxes to be Committed to Collector: | | |
| Property Taxes | \$24,647 13 | |
| Regular Polls at \$2.00 | 496 00 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total Taxes—Town and Precinct | \$25,143 13 | |
| Special Poll Taxes at \$3.00 | 762 00 | |
| Total Taxes to be Committed | \$25,905 13 | |
| Tax Rate \$25.00 per \$1,000 | | |

CERTIFICATE

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

LAWRENCE J. PARKER
HARRY W. BROWN
Selectmen of Bennington.

TOWN OF BENNINGTON

BALANCE

ASSETS

| | | |
|--|-------------|----------------|
| Cash: | | |
| In hands of treasurer | \$13,161 34 | |
| Accounts Due to the Town: | | |
| Bounties | 25 50 | |
| Other bills due Town: | | |
| Town Clerk, dog licenses | 3 90 | |
| Town Clerk, Auto permits | 36 43 | |
| Uncollected Taxes: | | |
| (a) Levy of 1945 | 154 12 | |
| (b) Levy of 1944 | 15 00 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total Assets | | \$13,396 29 |
| Excess of liabilities over assets (Net Debt) | | <hr/> 3,363 54 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Grand Total | | \$16,759 83 |
| Net Debt—December 31, 1944 | | 5,605 10 |
| Net Debt—December 31, 1945 | | 3,363 54 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Decrease of Debt | | \$ 2,241 56 |

Purpose for which debt was created: Water Works.

LIABILITIES

SHEET

December 31, 1945

Accounts Owed by the Town:

| | | |
|---|----|-------------|
| Special \$3 Poll Taxes: | | |
| Uncollected | \$ | 39 00 |
| Collected | | 9 00 |
| Due to Town Hall Painting App. | | 600 00 |
| Due to Town Clock App. | | 125 00 |
| Due to School Districts: | | |
| (a) Dog licenses | | 140 83 |
| (b) Balance of Appropriation | | 3,945 00 |
| Due to Water Works App. | | 4300 00 |
| (c) Due to Lake App. | | 200 00 |
| (d) Due to Civilian Defense App. | | 192 75 |
| (e) Due to Town Clerk, Permits | | 75 |
| (f) Due to Highway Special App. | | 200 00 |
| (g) Due to Town Clerk, Vital Statistics | | 7 50 |
| Long Term Notes Outstanding: | | |
| Water Notes | | 7,000 00 |
| Total Liabilities | | \$16,759 83 |
| Grand Total | | \$16,759 83 |

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

| Description | Value |
|--|---------------------|
| 1 Town Hall, lands and buildings | \$10,000 00 |
| Furniture and Equipment | 1,500 00 |
| 2 Libraries, lands and buildings | 6,000 00 |
| Furniture and equipment | 1,000 00 |
| 3 Police Department, lands and buildings | 400 00 |
| Equipment | 100 00 |
| 4 Fire Department, equipment | 8,300 00 |
| 5 Highway Department, lands and buildings | 1,000 00 |
| Equipment | 5,975 00 |
| 6. Parks, Commons and Playgrounds | 100 00 |
| 7 Water Supply, if owned by Town | 35,000 00 |
| 9 Schools, lands and buildings | 40,000 00 |
| Equipment | 5,000 00 |
| 11 All lands and buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds | 1,800 00 250 00 |
| Total | \$116,425 00 |

AUDITORS' REPORT

We have examined the above reports of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Supt. of Water Works, Road Agent, Trustees of Trust Funds, Library Trustees, Cemeteriès and present Town Clerk and find them correct and properly vouched for. The above accounts have been arranged in accordance with the Uniform Classification of the Tax Commission.

MAURICE C. NEWTON

EDWARD C. BLACK

Auditors.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

January 1, 1945 to December 31, 1945

| | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Dog Licenses | \$162 50 | |
| Less Clerk's Fees and tags | 20 77 | |
| | _____ | \$141 73 |
| | | |
| Turned in to Treasurer | \$137 83 | |
| Due Town | 3 90 | |
| | _____ | \$141 73 |
| | | |
| Auto Permits | \$360 31 | |
| Turned in to Treasurer | 323 88 | |
| | _____ | |
| Balance Due Town | | \$ 36 43 |
| Due Clerk 75 cents for Permits | | |

JOHN H. LINDSAY
Town Clerk.

MEMORIAL DAY REPORT

Received from Town Treasurer \$50 00

Paid out:

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------|---------|
| Telephone | \$ 25 | |
| Rodney Woodman's bill | 12 00 | |
| Auto | 2 50 | |
| Flags | 10 50 | |
| Cash on hand | 24 75 | |
| | <hr/> | \$50 00 |

HENRY W. WILSON
Treasurer S. of V.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

| | |
|---------------------------|------------|
| 1945 Property Tax | \$24647 13 |
| 1945—247 \$2.00 Polls | 494 00 |
| 1945—258 \$3.00 Polls | 774 00 |
| 1944 Property Tax | 125 50 |
| 1944—7 \$2.00 Polls | 14 00 |
| 1944—7 \$3.00 Polls | 21 00 |
| 1944—2 \$2.00 Polls Added | 4 00 |
| 1944—2 \$3.00 Polls Added | 6 00 |
| 1945 Added Property Tax | 1 25 |
| 1944 Interest | 5 53 |
| 1945 Interest | 4 67 |

\$26097 08

Paid to Treasurer

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| 1945 Property | \$24049 21 |
| 1945 \$2.00 Polls | 460 00 |
| 1945 \$3.00 Polls | 723 00 |
| 1945 Interest | 4 67 |
| 1945 Overtax Property | 2 50 |
| 1944 Interest | 5 53 |
| 1945 Discounts and Abatements | 442 55 |
| 1944 Uncollected Property | 15 00 |
| 1945 Uncollected Property | 154 12 |
| 1945 Uncollected and abated Polls | 83 00 |
| 1944—7 Polls | 35 00 |
| 1944—2 Polls Added | 10 00 |
| 1944 Property Tax | 90 50 |
| 1944 Redemption Tax | 20 00 |
| 1945 Poll overtax | 2 00 |

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Uncollected 1945 Property Taxes

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| R. J. Handy | \$ 5 38 |
| Horace Hooper | 33 23 |
| Peter and Lois Martel | 33 75 |
| Lorenzo Smith | 4 50 |

| | |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Carrie Smith | 12 50 |
| William F. Taylor | 5 00 |
| Odis Wilbur | 7 50 |
| William Curtis | 2 25 |
| Kate Flagg | 3 13 |
| Abbie Hansley | 17 50 |
| Arthur Handy | 20 00 |
| William F. Kessler, paid | 3 13 |
| William Thompson | 6 25 |

\$154 12

Uncollected 1945 Polls

William Call (Paid); Louis Champney, Alfred Champney, Robert J. Handy, Isabel Handy, Horace Hooper (Paid); Peter Martel, Lois Martel, Philip Richards, Pearl Richards, Lorenzo Smith, Carrie Smith, Odis Wilbur.

Abated 1945

| | |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Eli Fournier, over age | |
| Albert E. Holt, over age | |
| Gladys Newhall in Service | |
| Mary Chamberlain, abated | |
| 17 \$3.00 Polls | \$51 00 |
| 16 \$2.00 Polls | 32 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$83 00 |

Uncollected 1944 Property

| | |
|------------------|---------|
| Otis Wilbur | \$7 50 |
| Phyllis Wilbur | 1 25 |
| William Thompson | 7 25 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$15 00 |

1944 Uncollected Polls

| | | |
|--------------|--------|---------|
| Jessie Adams | \$2 00 | \$3 00 |
| Charles Rich | 2 00 | 3 00 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | \$4 00 | \$6 00 |
| | | \$10 00 |

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

| | | |
|--|--|-------------|
| Collected and remitted to Treasurer | | |
| 1 | Property taxes, current year, \$24,049 | 21 |
| 2 | Poll taxes, current year, Regular @ \$2 | 460 00 |
| 3 | Poll taxes, current year Special @ \$3 | 723 00 |
| | | |
| 5 | Total of current year's taxes collected and remitted | \$25,232 21 |
| 6 | Property taxes, previous years | 90 50 |
| 7 | Poll taxes, previous years, regular @ \$2 | 14 00 |
| 8 | Poll taxes, previous year, Special at \$3 | 21 00 |
| 9 | Interest received on taxes 1944, \$5.53; 1945, \$4.67 | 10 20 |
| 10 | Tax sales redeemed | 114 01 |
| | | |
| From State: | | |
| 12 | Interest and dividend tax | 299 36 |
| 13 | Railroad tax | 99 42 |
| 14 | Savings bank tax | 315 53 |
| 18 | Bounties | 45 50 |
| | | |
| From County: | | |
| 20 | O. A. A. Federal Ded. | 33 60 |
| | | |
| From Local Sources, Except Taxes: | | |
| 21 | Dog licenses | 140 83 |
| 24 | Rent of town hall | 274 90 |
| 28 | Appropriations to general municipal funds from municipally owned utilities | 1,697 89 |
| 29 | Registration of motor vehicles: 1945 Permits | 323 88 |
| | | |

3,230 91

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

| | | |
|----|------------------------------|----------|
| 41 | Tractor | \$445 22 |
| 42 | Zahos & Rich, false alarm | 5 25 |
| 43 | Town of Greenfield, tractor | 68 05 |
| 44 | J. H. Lindsay, filing fees | 24 00 |
| 45 | U. S. Treasurer, forest fire | 20 30 |

| | |
|---|-------------|
| Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue | \$ 562 82 |
| Total Receipts from All Sources | \$29,275 65 |
| Cash on hand January 1, 1945 | 12,286 11 |
| Grand Total | \$41,561 76 |

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

| | | |
|---|---|------------|
| 1 | Town officers' salaries | \$1,215 00 |
| 2 | Town officers' expenses | 539 48 |
| 3 | Election and registration expenses | 39 00 |
| 5 | Expenses town hall and other town buildings | 1,164 06 |

Protection of Persons and Property:

| | | |
|---|---|--------|
| 6 | Police department, including care of tramps | 207 10 |
| 7 | Fire department, including forest fires | 611 24 |
| 9 | Bounties | 25 50 |

Health:

| | | |
|----|--|-------|
| 11 | Health department, including hospitals | 91 15 |
|----|--|-------|

Highways and Bridges:

| | | |
|----|--|----------|
| 14 | Town Road Aid, Class 5 | 178 67 |
| 15 | Town Maintenance | 2,409 43 |
| 16 | Street lighting and sprinkling | 861 63 |
| 17 | General Expenses of Highway Department | 558 30 |

Libraries:

| | | |
|----|-----------|--------|
| 18 | Libraries | 200 00 |
|----|-----------|--------|

Public Welfare:

| | | |
|----|-----------------------|--------|
| 19 | Old age assistance | 523 89 |
| 20 | Town poor | 293 30 |
| 21 | Monadnock Region App. | 50 00 |

Patriotic Purposes:

| | | |
|----|---|-------|
| 22 | Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations | 50 00 |
|----|---|-------|

Recreation:

| | | |
|----|--|--------|
| 24 | Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts | 117 58 |
|----|--|--------|

Public Service Enterprises:

| | | |
|----|--|----------|
| 25 | Appropriations to water and electric utilities | 1,519 00 |
| 27 | Cemeteries, including hearse hire | 115 00 |
| 28 | Auto Permits | 41 25 |

| | | |
|------------------------------------|--|-------------|
| Total Current Maintenance Expenses | | \$10,810 58 |
|------------------------------------|--|-------------|

Interest:

| | | |
|----|-------------------------|----------|
| 34 | Paid on long term notes | \$320 00 |
|----|-------------------------|----------|

| | | |
|-------------------------|--|-----------|
| Total Interest Payments | | \$ 320 00 |
|-------------------------|--|-----------|

Indebtedness:

| | | |
|----|-----------------------------|------------|
| 46 | Payments on long term notes | \$1,000 00 |
|----|-----------------------------|------------|

| | | |
|-----------------------------|--|-------------|
| Total Indebtedness Payments | | \$ 1,000 00 |
|-----------------------------|--|-------------|

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

| | | |
|----|--|-----------|
| 51 | Special Poll Taxes @ \$3 paid to State | \$ 714 00 |
| 52 | Taxes paid to County | 4,185 18 |
| 54 | Payments to School Districts | 11,218 00 |
| 55 | Dog tax | 152 66 |

| | | |
|--|--|-------------|
| Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions | | \$16,269 84 |
|--|--|-------------|

| | | |
|---------------------------------|--|-------------|
| Total Payments for all Purposes | | \$28,400 42 |
| Cash on hand December 31, 1945 | | 13,161 34 |

| | | |
|-------------|--|-------------|
| Grand Total | | \$41,561 76 |
|-------------|--|-------------|

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.
Date Feb. 14, 1946.

ARTHUR J. PIERCE
LAWRENCE J. PARKER
HARRY W. BROWN

Selectmen of Bennington.
ARTHUR F. BELL
Treasurer.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Detail 1.—James H. Balch, Taxes

| | | |
|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Property Taxes, current year | \$24,049 21 | |
| Poll Taxes, current year | 1,183 00 | |
| Previous years | 125 50 | |
| Interest | 10 20 | |
| | | \$25,367 91 |

Detail 2.—Tax Redemption

| | |
|----------------|-----------|
| Tax Redemption | \$ 114 01 |
|----------------|-----------|

Detail 3.—From State

| | | |
|---------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Bounties | \$ 45 50 | |
| Interest and Dividend Tax | 299 36 | |
| Railroad Tax | 99 42 | |
| Savings Bank Tax | 315 53 | |
| | | \$ 759 81 |

Detail 4.—From County

| | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| County Commissioners, O.A.A. | \$ 33 60 |
|------------------------------|----------|

Detail 5.—Dog Licenses

| | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| John H. Lindsay, Town Clerk | \$ 140 83 |
|-----------------------------|-----------|

Detail 6.—Auto Permits

| | |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| John H. Lindsay, permits | \$ 323 88 |
|--------------------------|-----------|

Detail 7.—Water Rents

| | |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| J. Fred Miles, water rents | \$ 1,697 89 |
|----------------------------|-------------|

Detail 8.—Town Hall

| | | |
|------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Harry S. Dunbar, rents | \$ 81 10 | |
| Paul Traxler, rents | 193 80 | |
| | <hr/> | \$ 274 90 |

Detail 9.—Tractor

| | | |
|--------------------|----------|-----------|
| Town of Greenfield | \$115 22 | |
| H. E. Wilson | 330 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$ 445 22 |

Detail 10.—General

| | | |
|---------------------------------|---------|--------------------------|
| U. S. Treasury, forest fire | \$20 30 | |
| J. H. Lindsay, filing fees | 24 00 | |
| Town of Greenfield, forest fire | 68 05 | |
| Zahos & Rich, false alarm | 5 25 | |
| | <hr/> | \$ 117 60 |
| Grand Total | | <hr/> \$29,275 65 |

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

PAYMENTS

Detail 1.—Town Officers' Salaries

| | |
|---|----------|
| Arthur J. Pierce, Selectman | \$125 00 |
| Lawrence J. Parker, Selectman | 168 75 |
| Harry W. Brown, Selectman | 206 25 |
| Arthur F. Bell, Treasurer | 187 50 |
| James H. Balch, Tax Collector | 187 50 |
| John H. Lindsay, Town Clerk | 75 00 |
| Edward C. Black, Auditor | 10 00 |
| Maurice C. Newton, Auditor | 10 00 |
| John Armstrong, Chief Fire Dept. | 25 00 |
| J. Fred Miles, Fireward | 20 00 |
| Pearl J. Warren, Fireward | 20 00 |
| Friedrika E. Edwards | 10 00 |
| George E. Edwards, Moderator | 5 00 |
| J. Fred Miles, Supt. Water Works | 75 00 |
| Henry W. Wilson, Overseer of Poor and Health Officer | 75 00 |
| Edward French, Dog Constable | 15 00 |

\$1215 00

Detail 2.—Town Officers' Expenses

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Courier Press, Town Reports | \$225 00 |
| Henry W. Wilson, Town Bonds | 114 10 |
| Donat Corriveau, deeds | 4 89 |
| Wilfred J. Boisclair, returning names | 30 |
| Brown & Saltmarsh, tax book | 4 36 |
| Courier Press, tax bills | 8 25 |
| N. H. Water Works Assn., dues | 5 00 |
| Henry W. Wilson, expense | 6 59 |

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|------------------------------------|-------|
| Arthur F. Bell, stamps | 10 00 |
| Lawrence J. Parker, expense | 31 00 |
| Harry W. Brown, stamps and expense | 26 00 |
| Donald Powers, supplies | 1 75 |
| Edson C. Eastman, supplies | 4 85 |
| Sargent Bros., supplies | 6 05 |
| J. Herbert Lindsay, expense | 14 20 |
| N. H. Assessors Assn., dues | 4 00 |
| Hillsboro Messenger | 18 50 |
| James H. Balch, expenses | 9 75 |
| Contoocook Valley Tel. Co. | 44 89 |

\$539 48

Detail 3.—Election and Registration

| | |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| J. P. Weston, dinners | \$10 00 |
| Herbert Curtis, Ballot Inspector | 4 00 |
| J. Fred Miles, Ballot Inspector | 4 00 |
| Henry Wilson, Supervisor | 7 00 |
| Philip Knowles, Supervisor | 7 00 |
| Leon Messer, Supervisor | 7 00 |

\$39 00

Detail 4.—Expenses Town Hall

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Alfred Perry, repairs roof | \$35 00 |
| Joe Neverett, broom | 1 39 |
| George Hoyt, repairs | 4 50 |
| Johnston Barker, supplies | 14 18 |
| Monadnock Lumber Co., supplies | 3 50 |
| Marty's Service Station, repairs | 2 50 |
| Philip Knowles, repairs | 8 00 |
| Arnold Cossitter, repairs | 19 50 |
| Aaron Edmunds, truck and supplies | 6 59 |
| Donald McGinnis, repairs | 4 00 |
| Henry W. Wilson, insurance | 176 00 |
| Public Service Co., lights | 68 70 |
| Harry S. Dunbar, janitor service | 100 50 |
| Donald Powers, floor wax | 1 50 |
| C. O. Rockwell, repairs | 20 05 |
| J. Fred Miles, repairs | 4 00 |
| Lorenzo Smith, trucking | 8 50 |
| John Armstrong, repairs | 14 50 |
| Stephen Chase, repairs | 38 96 |

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|----------------------------------|--------|
| Derby Store, supplies | 2 82 |
| First National Stores, supplies | 10 77 |
| Coolidge & Edmunds, supplies | 33 52 |
| West Disinfecting Co. | 24 85 |
| John B. Varick, key | 50 |
| Haefeli Coal & Ice Co., coal | 226 94 |
| Paul G. Traxler, janitor service | 332 79 |

\$1164 06

Detail 5.—Police Dept.

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Edward French, Police duty | \$145 80 |
| John Armstrong, Police duty | 26 40 |
| Paul Traxler, Police duty | 18 90 |
| Harry Dunbar, Police duty | 3 00 |
| Lorenzo Smith, Police duty | 1 50 |
| Henry W. Wilson, insurance | 11 50 |

\$207 10

Detail 6.—Fire Dept.

| | |
|--|---------|
| William A. Taylor, repairs | \$ 7 26 |
| American LaFrance, hose | 178 00 |
| State of New Hampshire, Pensions and supplies | 57 60 |
| Public Service Co., lights | 12 00 |
| Harry S. Dunbar, repairs | 7 60 |
| Patrick Shea, payroll and chimney fire | 161 25 |
| Henry W. Wilson, forest fire and ins. | 104 00 |
| Paul Traxler, repairs | 6 75 |
| John Armstrong, repairs and supplies | 31 69 |
| J. H. Lindsay, gas and repairs | 26 40 |
| Derby Store, supplies | 16 90 |
| A. F. Edmunds, supplies | 1 79 |

\$611 24

Detail 7.—Bounties

| | |
|---------------|--------|
| Oliver Tacey | \$1 00 |
| George Weston | 2 50 |
| Robert Powers | 1 50 |

| | |
|----------------|------|
| Clarence Jones | 4 50 |
| Pearl Warren | 1 50 |
| Carroll Warren | 7 00 |
| Milton Burke | 5 00 |
| Harry Ross | 50 |
| Harry Dunbar | 1 00 |
| Herbert Curtis | 1 00 |

\$25 50

Detail 8.—Town Maintenance

| | |
|------------------------|-----------|
| H. E. Wilson, payrolls | \$2394 53 |
| Tax | 15 10 |

\$2409 64

Detail 9.—Health Dept.

| | |
|-------------------|---------|
| Herbert E. Wilson | \$88 75 |
| Leon Messer | 2 40 |

\$91 15

Detail 10.—Auto Permits

| | |
|---------------|---------|
| J. H. Lindsay | \$41 25 |
|---------------|---------|

Detail 11.—Monadnock Region

| | |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Karl Upton, Appropriation | \$50 00 |
|---------------------------|---------|

Detail 12.—Street Lighting

| | |
|--------------------|----------|
| Public Service Co. | \$861 63 |
|--------------------|----------|

Detail 13.—General Maintenance

| | |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| James H. Balch, overturn in | \$ 8 53 |
| J. Fred Miles, overturn in | 6 80 |
| L. J. Parker, driving tractor | 8 00 |

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|---------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Philip Knowles, care Town Clock | 25 00 | |
| Maurice Wilson, driving tractor | 187 90 | |
| R. C. Hazelton, repairs tractor | 122 54 | |
| Public Service Co., lights | 12 76 | |
| J. H. Lindsay, gas and repairs | 98 02 | |
| Coolidge & Edmunds, supplies | 9 65 | |
| H. W. Wilson, insurance | 59 00 | |
| Collector Internal Revenue Tax | 15 10 | |
| H. E. Wilson, wood | 5 00 | |
| | | \$558 30 |

Detail 14.—Library

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| J. P. Weston, Appropriation | \$200 00 |
|-----------------------------|----------|

Detail 15.—Old Age Assistance

| | |
|------------------------|----------|
| State of New Hampshire | \$523 89 |
|------------------------|----------|

Detail 16.—Town Poor

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| Montford Haslam | \$ 60 50 | |
| Henry W. Wilson | 50 | |
| Bennington Cash Market, feeding tramps | 3 30 | |
| J. H. Lindsay, trip to Grasmere | 5 00 | |
| Hillsboro County Hospital | 205 00 | |
| Hillsboro County Farm | 19 00 | |
| | | \$293 30 |

Detail 17.—Memorial Day

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| H. W. Wilson, Appropriation | \$50 00 |
|-----------------------------|---------|

Detail 18.—Parks and Playgrounds

| | |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| Paul Traxler, care of lawns | \$55 28 |
| David Traxler, care of lawns | 43 50 |
| Lorenzo Smith, trucking | 2 00 |
| Theodore Merrill, care of lawns | 12 60 |

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|------------------------------|------|----------|
| Peter Martell, care of lawns | 2 00 | |
| Fred Hugron, care of lawns | 2 20 | |
| | | \$117 58 |

Detail 19—Water Works

| | | |
|------------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Max Israel, lumber | \$ 7 68 | |
| W. W. Plamandon, removing stone | 51 25 | |
| Maurice Newton, moving | 21 00 | |
| Public Service Co., power | 359 40 | |
| East Jaffrey Oil Co., oil | 60 72 | |
| B. & G. Specialty Co., supplies | 55 80 | |
| Stephen Chase, supplies | 3 75 | |
| Leon Messer, labor | 8 40 | |
| Collector Internal Revenue, tax | 3 00 | |
| Johnston Barker Co., supplies | 145 80 | |
| J. Fred Miles, care of Water Works | 802 20 | |
| | | \$1519 00 |

Detail 20.—Evergreen Cemetery

| | |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Georgietta Bryer, Appropriation | \$100 00 |
|---------------------------------|----------|

Detail 21.—Sunnyside Cemetery

| | |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Henry W. Wilson, care of road | \$15 00 |
|-------------------------------|---------|

Detail 22.—Interest

| | |
|---|----------|
| Hillsboro Guaranty Savings Bank, Interest Water Bond | \$320 00 |
|---|----------|

Detail 23

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|---|-----------|
| Hillsboro Guaranty Savings Bank, Payment on note | \$1000 00 |
|---|-----------|

Detail 24.—Payments to State and County

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| State Treasurer, Special Poll Tax | \$ 714 00 | |
| County Tax | 4185 18 | |
| State of New Hampshire, T.R.A. | 178 67 | |
| | <hr/> | \$5077 85 |

Detail 25.—Payment to School District

| | | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Mary K. Wilson, Appropriation | \$11,218 00 | |
| Dog Tax | 152 66 | |
| | <hr/> | \$11370 66 |
| TOTAL | | <hr/> \$28400 42 |

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

Herbert E. Wilson

Week Ending January 6th, 1945

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Herbert Curtis, 27 hrs., V-Tax .20 | \$16 20 |
| Leon Messer, 19 hrs., V-Tax .20 | 11 40 |
| Herbert Wilson's truck, 19 hours | 17 10 |
| Herbert Wilson, 30 hrs. | 19 50 |
| Town Tractor, 7 hrs. | 21 00 |
| | \$85 20 |
| V-Tax | 40 |
| | \$84 80 |

Week Ending January 13th

| | |
|---|---------|
| Herbert Wilson, 33 hrs. | \$21 45 |
| Herbert Curtis, 33 hrs., V-Tax .20 | 19 80 |
| Leon Messer, 5 hrs. | 3 00 |
| Herbert Wilson's truck (Plowing), 28 hrs. | 37 80 |
| Herbert Wilson's truck (sanding), 5 hrs. | 4 50 |
| | \$86 55 |
| V-Tax | 20 |
| | \$86 35 |

Week Ending January 20th

| | |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Herbert Wilson, 51 hrs. | \$68 85 |
| Herbert Curtis, 51 hrs., V-Tax \$2.20 | 30 60 |
| Leon Messer, 5 hrs. | 3 00 |
| Herbert Wilson, 51 hrs. | 33 15 |

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|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Town Tractor, 31 hrs. | 93 00 |
| Albert Sweeney, 25 hrs., V-Tax \$1.00 | 15 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$243 60 |
| V-Tax | 3 20 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$240 40 |

Week Ending January 27th

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Herbert Curtis, 23 hrs., V-Tax .10 | \$13 80 |
| Herbert Wilson, 15 hrs. | 9 75 |
| Herbert Wilson's truck, 7 hrs. | 6 30 |
| Charlie Gleason | 5 25 |
| Herbert Wilson's truck, 8 hrs. | 10 80 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$45 90 |
| V-Tax | 10 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$45 80 |

Week Ending February 3rd

| | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Herbert Curtis, 60 hrs., V-Tax \$3.40 | \$36 00 |
| Herbert Wilson, 60 hrs. | 39 00 |
| Herbert Wilson's truck, 20 hrs. | 27 00 |
| Town Tractor, 33½ hrs. | 100 50 |
| Harry Dunbar, 3 hrs. | 1 80 |
| Herbert Wilson's truck, 5 hrs. | 4 50 |
| Leon Messer, 3 hrs. | 1 80 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$210 60 |
| V-Tax | 3 40 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$207 20 |

Week Ending February 10th

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Herbert Curtis, 33½ hrs., V-Tax .30 | \$20 10 |
| Leon Messer, 8 hrs. | 4 80 |
| Albert Sweeney, 10 hrs. | 6 00 |
| Herbert Wilson's truck, 16 hrs. | 32 00 |
| Town Tractor, 27½ hrs. | 82 50 |
| Stephen Chase, Jr. | 1 00 |
| Herbert Wilson, 23½ hrs. | 15 28 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$161 68 |
| V-Tax | 30 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$161 38 |

Week Ending February 17th

| | |
|---|---------|
| Herbert Curtis, 37 hrs., V-Tax .30 | \$22 20 |
| Albert Sweeney, 18 hrs. | 10 80 |
| Herbert Wilson and truck (sanding), 8 hrs. | 12 40 |
| Herbert Wilson and truck (plowing), 23 hrs. | 46 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$91 40 |
| V-Tax | 30 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$91 10 |

Week Ending February 24th

| | |
|---|---------|
| Albert Sweeney, 4 hrs. | \$2 40 |
| Herbert Wilson, 7 hrs. | 4 55 |
| Lawrence Parker and truck, 4 hrs. | 6 00 |
| Albert Sweeney (work on tractor), 10 hrs. | 6 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$18 95 |

Week Ending March 3rd

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Gladys Newhall and truck, 12 hrs. | \$18 00 |
| Herbert Wilson, 23 hrs. | 14 95 |
| Albert Sweeney, 15 hrs. | 9 00 |
| Lawrence Parker and truck, 3 hrs. | 4 50 |
| Town Tractor, 11 hrs. | 33 00 |
| Herbert Curtis, 24 hrs., V-Tax .10 | 14 40 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$93 85 |
| V-Tax | 10 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$93 75 |

Week Ending March 24th

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Herbert Curtis, 11 hrs. | \$ 6 60 |
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 14 hrs. | 21 70 |
| Donald Clough | 50 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$28 80 |

Week Ending March 31st

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Herbert Curtis, 12 hrs. | \$ 7 20 |
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 12 hrs. | 18 60 |

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| Charlie Gleason, labor | 1 00 |
| Ralph C. Hazelton, bolts for snow plow | 3 75 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$30 55 |

Week Ending April 29th

| | |
|---|---------|
| Herbert Curtis, 28 hrs., V-Tax .10 | \$16 80 |
| Leon Messer, 4 hrs. | 2 40 |
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 28 hrs. | 43 40 |
| Coolidge & Edmunds, 2 scythes at \$2.19 ea. | 4 38 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$66 98 |
| V-Tax | 10 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$66 88 |

Week Ending May 5th

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Herbert Curtis, 16 hrs. | \$ 9 60 |
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 16 hrs. | 24 80 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$34 40 |

Week Ending May 12th

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 26 hrs. | \$40 30 |
| Herbert Curtis, 26 hrs., V-Tax .10 | 15 60 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$55 90 |
| V-Tax | 10 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$55 80 |

Week Ending May 19th

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Herbert Curtis, 8 hrs. | \$ 4 80 |
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 10 hrs. | 15 50 |
| Perley Warren, scraping road | 15 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$35 30 |

Week Ending May 26th

| | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| Herbert Curtis, 24½ hrs., V-Tax .10 | \$14 70 |
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| Herbert Wilson and truck, 24½ hrs. | 37 98 |
| Albert Sweeney, 16½ hrs. | 9 90 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$62 58 |
| V-Tax | 10 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$62 48 |

Week Ending June 2nd

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 24 hrs. | \$37 20 |
| Herbert Curtis, 24 hrs., V-Tax .10 | 14 40 |
| Albert Sweeney, 16 hrs. | 9 60 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$61 20 |
| V-Tax | 10 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$61 10 |

Week Ending August 11th

| | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 16 hrs. | \$24 80 |
|-----------------------------------|---------|

Week Ending September 8th

| | |
|--|---------|
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 11 hrs. | \$ 9 90 |
| Tony Kancerwick, 27 hrs., V-Tax \$2.20 | 16 20 |
| Herbert Wilson, 19 hrs. | 12 35 |
| Arthur Whitcomb, tar patch | 39 10 |
| Church bank, 16 yds. gravel | 1 60 |
| Helen Young's bank, 14 yds. gravel | 1 40 |
| Gertrude Knight's bank, 40 yds. gravel | 4 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$84 55 |
| V-Tax | 2 20 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$82 35 |

Week Ending November 3rd

| | |
|--|----------|
| Fred Miles, 2 hrs. | \$ 1 20 |
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 24 hrs. | 66 00 |
| Herbert Curtis, 30 hrs., V-Tax .20 | 18 00 |
| Merrimac Farmers' Exc., 3 tons Sterling Salt | 55 20 |
| Coolidge & Edmunds, 2 forks at \$2.19 ea. | 4 38 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$144 78 |
| V-Tax | 20 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$144 58 |

Week Ending November 10th

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Steve Yakovakis, 32 hrs., V-Tax .20 | \$ 19 20 |
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 40 hrs. | 110 00 |
| Herbert Curtis, 40 hrs., V-Tax .50 | 24 00 |
| Harvey Balch, 16 hrs. | 9 60 |
| Albert Sweeney, 24 hrs., V-Tax .80 | 14 40 |
| Harvey Balch, 18 yds. gravel | 1 80 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$179 00 |
| V-Tax | 1 50 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$177 50 |

Week Ending November 17th

| | |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| Herbert Curtis, 32 hrs., V-Tax .20 | \$19 20 |
| Albert Sweeney, 16 hrs. | 9 60 |
| Harvey Balch, 8 hrs. | 4 80 |
| Steve Yakovakis, 16 hrs. | 9 60 |
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 24 hrs. | 66 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$109 20 |
| V-Tax | 20 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$109 00 |

Week Ending November 24th

| | |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| Herbert Curtis, 16 hrs. | \$ 9 60 |
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 8 hrs. | 22 00 |
| Harvey Balch, 16 hrs. | 9 60 |
| Albert Sweeney, 8 hrs. | 4 80 |
| Steve Yakovakis, 16 hrs. | 9 60 |
| Harvey Balch, carrying help | 1 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$56 60 |

Week Ending December 1st

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Herbert Curtis, 23 hrs., V-Tax .20 | \$17 25 |
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 23 hrs. | 63 25 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$80 50 |
| V-Tax | 20 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$80 30 |

Week Ending December 8th

| | |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 31 hrs. | \$85 25 |
| Herbert Curtis, 30 hrs., V-Tax .30 | 22 50 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$107 75 |
| V-Tax | 30 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$107 45 |

Week Ending December 23rd

| | |
|------------------------------------|---------|
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 18 hrs. | \$49 50 |
| Herbert Curtis, 18 hrs., V-Tax .10 | 13 50 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$63 00 |
| V-Tax | 10 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$62 90 |

Week Ending December 29th

| | |
|--|------------|
| Herbert Curtis, 39½ hrs., V-Tax \$2.00 | \$ 29 63 |
| Herbert Wilson and truck, 40½ hrs. | 111 38 |
| Gertrude Knight, 30 yds. gravel | 3 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$144 01 |
| | \$2,394 53 |
| V-Tax | 15 10 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total | \$2,409 63 |

ANNUAL REPORT OF

TRUST FUNDS

Town of Bennington, N. H.

As Of

DECEMBER 31, 1945

SHOWING DATE OF CREATION

PURPOSE OF FUND, NAME OF FUND

AND DONOR; HOW INVESTED;

AMOUNT OF PRINCIPAL;

INCOME DURING YEAR

AND AMOUNT EXPENDED

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF TOWN OF BENNINGTON, DECEMBER 31, 1945

| Date of Creation | Trust Funds | | How Funds are Invested | | Amount of Principal | Income During Year |
|--------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|---------------------|--------------------|
| | Purpose of Creation | Name of Fund and Donor | As required by Chapter 162, Laws of 1915 | | | |
| Sunnyside Cemetery | | | | | | |
| 1916 | Trustees Trust Funds | A. A. Ramsay | Manchester Savings Bank | | \$ 600 00 | \$ 4 00 |
| 1906 | G. A. Whittemore | G. A. Whittemore | N. H. Savings Bank | | 300 00 | 6 00 |
| 1919 | Clara R. Whittemore | C. R. Whittemore | N. H. Savings Bank | | 100 00 | 2 00 |
| 1922 | Horace Dinsmore | Mabel A. Bryant | N. H. Savings Bank | | 100 00 | 2 00 |
| 1923 | John D. & Moody Butler | Mary B. Jameson | N. H. Savings Bank | | 225 00 | 6 00 |
| 1927 | Royal V. Knight | Scott W. Knight | N. H. Savings Bank | | 200 00 | 4 00 |
| 1932 | Chas. F. Burnham | C. F. Burnham | Peterborough Savings Bank | | 200 00 | 3 00 |
| 1934 | Bessie W. Call | B. W. Call | Peterborough Savings Bank | | 100 00 | 2 50 |
| 1935 | Geo. W. Willson | Ida B. Ware | Peterborough Savings Bank | | 75 00 | 1 50 |
| 1935 | Betsy R. Brown | Georgietta Bryer | Peterborough Savings Bank | | 50 00 | 1 50 |
| 1936 | Nancy Stevens | Nancy Stevens | Peterborough Savings Bank | | 150 00 | 5 00 |
| 1939 | Mary L. Knight | M. L. Knight | Peterborough Savings Bank | | 200 00 | 4 00 |
| 1941 | Frank A. Taylor | Grace A. Taylor | Peterborough Savings Bank | | 100 00 | 2 50 |
| 1942 | Fred Kimball | Nettie Kimball | Peterborough Savings Bank | | 100 00 | 2 00 |
| 1942 | Rodney & Lenora Nichols | Nettie Kimball | Peterborough Savings Bank | | 100 00 | 2 00 |
| 1943 | Frank Young | Helen Young | Peterborough Savings Bank | | 150 00 | 4 00 |
| 1927 | Amon Symonds | Abbie M. Symonds | Hillsboro Guar. Savings Bank | | 400 00 | *7 50 |
| 1927 | Sam'l Abbott | Adeline A. Peavy | Hillsboro Guar. Savings Bank | | 200 00 | 4 00 |
| 1919 | Ann M. Eaton | Ann M. Eaton | Hillsboro Guar. Savings Bank | | 100 00 | 2 50 |
| 1937 | Chas. H. Kimball | Anne B. Kimball | Hillsboro Guar. Savings Bank | | 100 00 | 2 50 |
| 1939 | Sam'l Gilman, Lucinda Dodge | Sam'l Gilman, J. Knight | Hillsboro Guar. Savings Bank | | 100 00 | 2 50 |
| | | M. Hayward, N. Jennison, | Hillsboro Guar. Savings Bank | | 100 00 | 2 50 |

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|------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|---------|--------|
| 1940 | Amos A. Martin | A. A. Martin heirs | Hillsboro Guar. Savings Bank | 200 00 | 4 00 |
| 1940 | Community Fund | | Hillsboro Guar. Savings Bank | 327 85 | |
| 1905 | Anna M. Woodbury | A. M. Woodbury | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 200 00 | 4 00 |
| 1906 | H. P. Ramsey | A. A. Ramsey | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 200 00 | 2 00 |
| 1914 | Abram A. Ramsey | A. A. Ramsey | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 1766 16 | 64 90 |
| 1915 | C. J. Kimball | C. J. Kimball heirs | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 150 00 | 4 00 |
| 1916 | W. S. Carkin | W. S. Carkin | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 332 20 | 6 00 |
| 1917 | Augustus W. Gray | A. W. Gray | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 100 00 | 2 50 |
| 1918 | W. H. Darrah | Mrs. Sarah Darrah | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 50 00 | 2 00 |
| 1921 | Ed. I. Dodge | Mrs. A. M. Dodge | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 100 00 | 2 50 |
| 1925 | Wm. L. Taylor | Mrs. Addie T. Carter | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 100 00 | 2 50 |
| 1928 | David W. Bell | Mrs. Caroline Crombie | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 100 00 | 2 50 |
| 1928 | Harriet Kimball | C. H. Philbrick | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 50 00 | 1 00 |
| 1928 | Wm. Keith | Wm. Keith | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 100 00 | 2 50 |
| 1930 | Mary Knowles | Philip Knowles | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 100 00 | 2 50 |
| | Library Funds | | | | |
| 1938 | Emma E. Gipson | | Hillsboro County Savings Bank | 5000 00 | 125 00 |
| 1938 | Emma E. Gipson | | Manchester Savings Bank | 5000 00 | 125 78 |
| 1938 | Emma E. Gipson | | Mechanics Savings Bank | 5000 00 | 126 17 |
| 1938 | Emma E. Gipson | | N. H. Savings Bank | 5000 00 | 100 00 |
| 1938 | Emma E. Gipson | | Merrimack County Savings Bank | 5000 00 | 100 00 |
| 1938 | Emma E. Gipson | | Loan & Trust Savings Bank | 5000 00 | 100 00 |
| 1938 | Emma E. Gipson | | Union Trust Co. | 5978 66 | 119 56 |
| 1923 | John D. & Mary C. Butler | | N. H. Savings Bank | 1000 00 | 20 00 |
| 1938 | Mary Butler Jameson | | Hillsboro Guaranty Savings Bank | 457 50 | 9 14 |
| | Evergreen Cemetery | | | | |
| 1913 | G. L. Herrick | G. L. Herrick, Est. | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 200 00 | |

| | | | | |
|------|--------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|----------|
| 1914 | Mrs. A. D. Green | Mrs. A. D. Green | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 200 00 |
| 1914 | Mrs. C. M. Whitney | Mrs. C. M. Whitney | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 200 00 |
| 1923 | Calvin S. Brown | C. S. Brown est. | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 100 00 |
| 1928 | Cyrus H. Philbrick | C. H. Philbrick | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 200 00 |
| 1928 | Ann F. Philbrick | C. H. Philbrick | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 100 00 |
| 1929 | Lizzie M. Holt | Lizzie M. Holt | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 200 00 |
| 1929 | Chas. F. Manahan | Chas. F. Manahan | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 100 00 |
| 1929 | Luke Burt | Sarah Burt | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 50 00 |
| 1931 | John C. Dodge | Mary F. Leavitt | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 200 00 |
| 1931 | Enos Vieno | Enos Vieno est. | Amoskeag Savings Bank | 100 00 |
| 1935 | Bradford D. Brown | Georgietta Bryer | Peterborough Savings Bank | 50 00 |
| 1939 | Ellen C. Brown | Ellen C. Brown | Peterborough Savings Bank | 200 00 |
| 1940 | Walter Wilson | Mary K. Wilson | Peterborough Savings Bank | 50 00 |
| 1942 | Sam'l & Jane Dodge | Nettie Kimball | Peterborough Savings Bank | 50 00 |
| 1943 | Thomas Wilson | Margaret Wilson | Hillsboro Guar. Savings Bank | 100 00 |
| 1945 | Sarah Keeser | Emma Bartlett | Peterborough Savings Bank | 50 00 |
| 1945 | George Alfred Whittemore | M. W. Mather | Peterborough Savings Bank | 200 00 |
| 1946 | Lizzie Holt Fund | | First Nat'l Bank, Peterboro | 21433 52 |

Library money paid to J. Prentiss Weston, Trustee.
 * \$1.50 paid to Rodney Woodman.

Sunnyside Cemetery interest paid to Henry W. Wilson, Trustee.

FRIEDRIKA L. EDWARDS

HENRY W. WILSON

EDITH L. LAWRENCE

Trustees.

SUNNYSIDE CEMETERY TRUSTEES' REPORT

| | | |
|--|----------|----------|
| Cash on hand January 1, 1945 | \$ 18 37 | |
| Received from Trustees of Trust Fund | 171 90 | |
| Received from Town Treasurer for Emily Whittemore lot | 15 00 | |
| | | \$205 27 |

Paid Out:

| | | |
|------------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Johnston's Garage, sharpening | | |
| Lawn Mower | \$ 1 50 | |
| John Gidding for labor | 18 25 | |
| J. F. Miles, labor | 4 95 | |
| George Holmes, labor | 114 00 | |
| A. F. Edmunds, flowers | 2 10 | |
| L. D. Smith, labor | 3 00 | |
| H. W. Wilson, insurance | 6 50 | |
| H. W. Wilson, labor | 7 50 | |
| Faucet | 1 25 | |
| H. W. Wilson, Secretary and Treas. | 5 00 | |
| Bank Charges | 1 75 | |
| Balance on Hand January 1, 1946 | 39 47 | \$205 27 |

HENRY W. WILSON
Treasurer.

REPORT ON EVERGREEN CEMETERY

Town:

| | |
|--------------------|---------|
| Cash on hand 1945 | \$ 1 54 |
| In Peterboro Bank | 11 34 |
| Sale of lot 23 | 5 00 |
| Sale of grave | 1 00 |
| Received from town | 100 00 |
| | 118 88 |

\$118 88
Paid Out:

| | |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Sharpening mower | \$ 2 00 |
| Whitney, loam | 2 00 |
| S. Yakovakis, labor | 4 80 |
| Lena Taylor, labor | 6 30 |
| Margaret Wilson, labor | 6 30 |
| G. M. Bryer, labor | 7 50 |
| Leon Messer, labor | 28 80 |
| Coolidge & Edmunds, manure | 7 28 |
| H. W. Wilson, insurance | 4 50 |
| W. O. Smith, labor | 16 80 |
| | 86 28 |

\$ 86 28

| | |
|-------------------|--------|
| Cash on hand | 21 26 |
| In Peterboro bank | 11 34 |
| | 118 88 |

\$118 88
Perpetual Care:

| | |
|-------------------|----------|
| Cash on hand 1945 | \$ 90 00 |
|-------------------|----------|

\$ 90 00
Paid Out:

| | |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| G. M. Bryer, labor | \$ 7 30 |
| W. O. Smith, labor | 12 00 |
| Merrimack Farmers' Exc., seed | 2 12 |
| | 21 42 |

\$ 21 42

| | |
|--------------|-------|
| Cash on hand | 68 58 |
| | 90 00 |

\$ 90 00
GEORGIETTA M. BRYER.

REPORT OF WATER DEPARTMENT FOR 1945

| | | |
|---------------------|--------------|-----------|
| Water Tax Collected | \$1630 46 | |
| Supplies Sold | <u>67 51</u> | |
| Total Collected | | \$1697 97 |
| Paid Town Treasurer | | \$1697 97 |

One account due and not paid. P. A. Richards \$8.00

J. FRED MILES,
Collector.

RECORD OF THE PUMPING STATION FOR 1945

| | Power | Attendance | Hours | No. Gals. |
|-------|-----------------|----------------|------------|------------------|
| Jan. | \$18 00 | \$15 50 | None | None |
| Feb. | 19 00 | 14 00 | None | None |
| Mar. | 18 00 | 15 50 | None | None |
| April | 18 00 | None | None | None |
| May | 18 00 | None | None | None |
| June | 18 00 | None | None | None |
| July | 19 00 | None | None | None |
| Aug. | 18 00 | None | None | None |
| Sept. | 67 00 | 4 50 | 225 | 1,456,980 |
| Oct. | 65 80 | 4 00 | 160 | 726,480 |
| Nov. | 59 60 | 9 50 | 98 | 627,750 |
| Dec. | 39 00 | 15 50 | None | None |
| | <u>\$377 40</u> | <u>\$78 00</u> | <u>483</u> | <u>2,811,210</u> |

J. FRED MILES
Supt. of Water Dept.

TOWN HALL REPORT, 1945

| Month | Rent Receipts | Janitors' Fees and Repairs |
|-----------|---------------|-------------------------------|
| March | \$31 50 | \$43 50 |
| April | 35 00 | 48 75 |
| May | 37 50 | 52 75 |
| June | 14 00 | 18 75 |
| July | 18 00 | 17 00 |
| August | 23 50 | 21 75 |
| September | 7 50 | 8 75 |
| October | 7 00 | 33 50 |
| November | 4 30 | 35 75 |
| December | 16 00 | 39 75 |
| Totals | \$194 30 | \$320 25 |

P. G. TRAXLER, Janitor.

| | | |
|--|---------|----------|
| Dec. 30, 1944 through Jan. 30, 1945 | \$26 00 | \$35 50 |
| February, 1945 | 36 70 | 40 00 |
| March 1 through March 13, 1945 | 18 40 | 25 00 |
| | \$81 10 | \$100 50 |

HARRY S. DUNBAR, Janitor.

FIRE WARDENS' REPORT

December, 1945

Equipment:

Engine No. 1

1 500-gallon Pumper, with 150 gallon booster tank; 1,650 feet of 2½ in. hose; 150 feet of 1½ in. hose for Booster tank; one hand extinguisher, one foam-type extinguisher, one roof and one extension ladder, smoke mask, and one first aid kit.

Engine No. 2

75 gallon pump with 135 gallon booster tank with 150 feet one inch hose and 800 feet of 1½ inch hose, 3 ladders, 4 extinguishers, 24 shovels, smoke mask and first aid kit.

Other Equipment

Three long ladders, 12 Indian Fire Pumps.

Record of Calls, Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1945

10 Chimney Fires.
1 False Alarm.
1 Rubbish Fire.
2 Building Fires.

Fire Alarm Boxes are located one at Town Hall and one at the Drug Store; open door, pull down hook once and let go, and stay at the box till firemen arrive.

12 and 6 blasts for fire.

One blast, first Monday each month at 6.45 P. M.

2 blasts for no school at 8.00 A. M.

1 long blast to shut off water at any time.

Fire Company consists of 3 Firewards and 20 men.

The Firewards would suggest the purchase of 100 ft. of 2½ inch hose for Engine No. 1.

J. D. ARMSTRONG
P. J. WARREN
J. FRED MILES

Firewards.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF G. E. P. DODGE

LIBRARY

Receipts

| | | |
|---------------------------|----------|------------|
| Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1945 | \$296 11 | |
| Butler Fund | 20 00 | |
| Jameson Fund | 9 14 | |
| Gipson Fund | 796 51 | |
| Town appropriation | 200 00 | |
| Librarian, fines | 15 00 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total receipts | | \$1,336 76 |

Expenditures

| | |
|--|----------|
| Magazines | \$ 47 00 |
| Emma Bartlett, librarian | 300 00 |
| Fred Bartlett, care lawn | 22 00 |
| Harry Dunbar, janitor service | 121 50 |
| Harry Dunbar, janitor service | 15 50 |
| Haefeli Fuel & Ice Co., 1847 gals. oil | 173 71 |
| Public Service Co., lights | 48 16 |
| O. B. Peirce Co., repairs | 5 10 |
| P. E. Knowles, book and door mat | 5 98 |
| N. E. News Co., books | 110 47 |
| McGraw-Hills Co., books | 33 11 |
| Storey Book Store, books | 7 50 |
| D. C. Heath Co., books | 70 |
| Crosset & Williams, books | 1 65 |

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|-------|------------|
| Henry W. Wilson, insurance | 50 49 | |
| Walter Cleary, box rent and envelopes | 7 16 | |
| Check activity charges | 1 35 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total expenditures | | \$ 951 38 |
| Cash on hand December 31, 1945 | | 385 38 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$1,336 76 |

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN OF THE G. E. P. DODGE

LIBRARY

Days and Hours Open—Monday, Wednesday, Saturday
 2 to 4.30 and 6.30 to 8.30 P.M.
 Childrens Room Open 2 to 4.30 P.M.

TRUSTEES

| J. Prentiss Weston | Philip E. Knowles | Howard Chase |
|---|--|--------------|
| Books purchased, 1945 | | 65 |
| Books by replacement | | 3 |
| Magazines by Subscription | | 10 |
| Borrowers | | 270 |
| Non-fiction, 1,052; Fiction, 2,012; Junior, 1,879. | | |
| Books numbered for circulation | | 5,710 |
| Peterborough Transcript | | 1 |
| Visitors | | 31 |
| On hand, February, 1, 1945 | | \$ 1 00 |
| From fines | | 15 43 |
| Paid J. Prentiss Weston, Treasurer | | 15 00 |
| On hand | | 1 43 |
| Magazines by Subscription: | Activities, American | |
| Girl, Jack and Jill, Ladies' Home Journal, Life, National | Geographic, Popular Mechanics Magazine, Readers' Di- | |
| gest, Saturday Evening Post, Time. | | |

BOOKS BY GIFT

- Frances Holland—Minile at School—January.
 Arthur J. Pierce—Historical Collection Insurance—Jan.
 James D. Barnett—A More Co-operative Democracy—
 August
 Holyoke, Mass.—National Blank Book Company Through
 the Ages 1843-1943.—August.
 Mrs. Webster Tallmadge—Town Government in New
 Hampshire. September.
 Philip E. Knowles—Amateur Craftsman's Cyclopedia of
 Things to Make. October.
 Report to the President—San Francisco Conference—
 October
 3—Bennington Sportsmen's Club—Biological Survey of
 the Watershed. New Hampshire Fish and Game
 Department. November.

MAGAZINES BY GIFT

Howard Chase, Rural New Yorker; Mrs. Flagg, Fortune; Kentucky, Commonwealth of Kentucky; Anna Lindsay, Christian Science Monitor; Mrs. McGlory, Better Homes and Gardens; New York, Knickerbocker Weekly; Paul Traxler, Liberty; Concord, Troubadour.

OTHER GIFTS

Howard Chase, Indian Hatchet Head.

EMMA G. BARTLETT
 Librarian.

Dedication

This book is respectfully dedicated to Miss Mae Cashion in grateful acknowledgment of her completion of forty years of faithful service as an industrious and progressive teacher in the primary department of our local schools. A good teacher is a vital and essential factor in maintaining any school efficiently and Bennington has indeed been most fortunate in having its youth guided and instructed by such a willing, co-operative worker. The community also has benefitted from her inspiration, enthusiasm, high ideals, and dynamic personality. Miss Cashion holds an enviable record and she is to be commended for her dutiful, untiring efforts throughout the years. In behalf of the citizens of Bennington, New Hampshire, we heartily express sincere thanks and appreciation for the inestimable benefits which she has rendered and extend to her best wishes for a continued successful and prosperous future.

HARRY W. BROWN
LAWRENCE J. PARKER.
Selectmen

MARTHA L. WESTON
DORIS M. PARKER
Bennington School Board.



**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE BENNINGTON
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1944 to June 30, 1945

Administration

| | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------|----------|
| 1 | Salaries of District Officers | | |
| | Doris M. Parker, School Board | \$35 | 00 |
| | Martha L. Weston, School Board | 25 | 00 |
| | Annie S. Lindsay, School Board | 25 | 00 |
| | Mary K. Wilson, Treasurer | 35 | 00 |
| | George E. Edwards, Moderator | 2 | 50 |
| | J. Prentiss Weston, Clerk | 2 | 50 |
| | Frieda L. Edwards, Auditor | 2 | 50 |
| | | | \$127 50 |
| 2 | Superintendent's Excess Salary | | |
| | Carroll Johnson, Treasurer of | | |
| | Supervisory Union No. 24 | \$158 | 86 |
| | | | \$158 86 |
| 3 | Truant Officer and Census | | |
| | Frieda L. Edwards, census | \$7 | 50 |
| | R. E. Lane, enumeration cards | 1 | 18 |
| | Frieda L. Edwards, truancy cases | 2 | 00 |

| | | |
|---|---|--------|
| 4 | Expenses of Administration | |
| | Supt. Howard F. Mason, expenses | \$9 62 |
| | Doris M. Parker, expenses | 2 10 |
| | Mary K. Wilson, expenses | 3 35 |
| | The Reporter Press, treasurer's reports | 1 08 |
| | A. H. Rice and Company, register | 9 64 |
| | First National Bank of Hillsboro, charges | 2 35 |
| | | <hr/> |

\$28 14

INSTRUCTION

5 Teachers' Salaries

| | |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Ruth P. Cody | \$1,225 00 |
| Lulu M. Cilley | 1,225 00 |
| Mae Cashion | 1,290 50 |
| Katherine Shea, music | 275 00 |
| Mary K. Wilson, substitute | 35 00 |
| Frieda L. Edwards, substitute | 5 00 |
| | <hr/> |

\$4,055 50

6 Textbooks

| | |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| American Book Company | \$61 84 |
| Boston Music Company | 5 57 |
| J. L. Hammett Company | 2 11 |
| Iroquois Publishing Company | 9 58 |
| Macmillan Company | 2 96 |
| Scott, Foresman and Co. | 75 00 |
| Charles Scribner's Sons | 28 89 |
| L. W. Singer Co. | 23 33 |
| The Sugar Ball Press | 16 64 |
| Wilcox & Follett Co. | 4 84 |
| | <hr/> |

\$230 76

| | | | |
|---|-------------------------------|------|----------|
| 7 | Scholars' Supplies | | |
| | Edward E. Babb Co. | \$35 | 27 |
| | Gledhill Bros., Inc. | 11 | 29 |
| | J. L. Hammett Company | 16 | 41 |
| | Hectographia Corp. | 2 | 39 |
| | The Paper Crafters | 23 | 35 |
| | Scott, Foresman & Co. | 15 | 28 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$103 99 |
| 8 | Flags and Appurtenances | | |
| | J. L. Hammett Co. | \$3 | 77 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$ 3 77 |
| 9 | Other Expenses of Instruction | | |
| | American Education Press | \$24 | 40 |
| | Civic Education Service | 10 | 80 |
| | The Grade Teacher, magazine | 3 | 00 |
| | Oval & Koster, diplomas | 5 | 05 |
| | World Book Co. | 6 | 38 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$ 49 63 |

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT

| | | | |
|----|-------------------------------------|-------|----------|
| 10 | Janitor's Salary | | |
| | Harry S. Dunbar | \$660 | 00 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$660 00 |
| 11 | Fuel | | |
| | Herbert E. Wilson, slab wood | \$2 | 50 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$ 2 50 |
| 12 | Water, Light and Janitor's Supplies | | |
| | Coolidge & Edmunds | \$36 | 45 |
| | The Holmerdon Co. | 5 | 42 |

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Independent Cash Market | 79 | |
| Public Service Co. of N. H. | 53 04 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$ 95 70 |
| 13 Minor Repairs and Expenses | | |
| Howard N. Chase, tuning pianos | \$ 6 00 | |
| Concord Lumber Co., sanding | | |
| desk tops | 7 60 | |
| A. J. Goodman, paint and oil | 18 10 | |
| Philip E. Knowles, labor | 3 00 | |
| C. O. Rockwell, plumbing | 5 66 | |
| Harold White, express charge | 1 00 | |
| Earl Worth, paint | 9 50 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$ 50 86 |

AUXILIARY AGENCIES AND SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

| | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| 14 Health Supervision | | |
| Margaret E. Harris, R.N. | \$227 59 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$227 59 |
| 15 Transportation of Pupils | | |
| J. Herbert Lindsay | \$798 96 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$798 96 |
| 16 Payment of Tuition | | |
| Hillsboro Special School Dist. | \$ 993 60 | |
| Peterboro School Dist. | 1,286 01 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$2,279 61 |

FIXED CHARGES

| | | | |
|----|---------------------------------|----------|------------|
| 19 | Insurance | | |
| | Henry W. Wilson | \$94 75 | |
| | | | \$ 94 75 |
| 20 | Other Fixed Charges | | |
| | State Treasurer, per capita tax | \$258 00 | |
| | | | \$258 00 |
| 23 | New Equipment | | |
| | Coolidge & Edmunds, mirrors | \$9 13 | |
| | | | \$ 9 13 |
| | Total payments for all purposes | | \$9,245 93 |

MARTHA L. WESTON
 ANNIE S. LINDSAY
 DORIS M. PARKER
 School Board of Bennington

AUDITORS' REPORT

This is to certify that we have examined the books and other financial records of the School Board, all of which we find correct in all respects.

FRIEDA L. EDWARDS
WALTER D. CLEARY

July 16, 1945.

ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1945

| | | |
|--|------------|-------------|
| Cash on hand June 30, 1944 | | \$ 469 35 |
| Received from Selectmen, appropriation for current year | \$9,718 00 | |
| Dog Tax | 152 66 | |
| Received from all other sources | 16 78 | |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$9,887 44 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total amount available for fiscal year | | \$10,356 79 |
| Less School Board orders paid | | 9,245 93 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Balance on hand as of June 30, 1945 | | \$1,110 86 |

July 1, 1945

MARY K. WILSON,
District Treasurer

**PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE BENNINGTON SCHOOL
DISTRICT**

For the Year July 1, 1946 to June 30, 1947

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Salaries of District Officers | \$ 130 00 |
| Superintendent's Excess Salary | 140 00 |
| Truant Officer and Census | 10 00 |
| Expenses of Administration | 25 00 |
| Teachers' Salaries | 6,122 00 |
| Textbooks | 100 00 |
| Scholars' Supplies | 150 00 |
| Flags and Appurtenances | 10 00 |
| Other Expenses of Instruction | 40 00 |
| Janitor's Salary | 840 00 |
| Fuel | 400 00 |
| Water, Light and Janitor's Supplies | 150 00 |
| Minor Repairs and Expenses | 100 00 |
| Health Supervision | 230 00 |
| Transportation of Pupils | 810 00 |
| Payment of Tuition | 2,300 00 |
| Other Special Activities | 10 00 |
| Tax for State-wide Supervision | 210 00 |
| Insurance and Other Fixed Charges | 95 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total amount required to meet budget | \$11,872 00 |
| Estimated balance June 30, 1946 | 500 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$11,372 00 |

MARTHA L. WESTON
DORIS M. PARKER
Bennington School Board.

Bennington, N. H. February 14, 1946.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Bennington:

I hereby submit my first annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

ORGANIZATION

SCHOOL BOARD: Martha L. Weston, Chairman; Doris M. Parker, Annie S. Lindsay.

SUPT. OF SCHOOLS: Stewart V. McCormack.

SCHOOL NURSE: Margaret Harris, R.N., Keene, N. H.

MUSIC SUPERVISOR: Katherine M. Shea, Hillsboro

SCHOOL CUSTODIAN: J. Fred Miles.

ATTENDANCE OFFICER: Friedrika L. Edwards.

TEACHING STAFF

| Teacher | Grade | N.H. Approval |
|----------------------|-------|---------------|
| Mae Cashion | 1-2 | Certificate |
| Lulu M. Cilley | 3-4-5 | Certificate |
| Ruth Cody, Principal | 6-7-8 | Certificate |

PUPIL DATA

The following pupils maintained perfect attendance during the school year 1944-1945:

Miss Cashion's room: Annette Levesque.

Miss Cilley's room: Stephen Chase and Helen Ker-eazis.

Mrs. Cody's room: Raymond Cernota, Sylvio Zanga and Maurice Wilson.

The present enrollment is as follows: Grade I, 17; Grade II, 16; Grade III, 4; Grade IV, 10; Grade V, 10; Grade VI, 5; Grade VII, 10; Grade VIII, 9; total number in building, 81.

Twenty-two pupils are attending High School, 11 at Hillsboro and 11 at Peterboro. By grades these are distributed as follows: Grade IX, 4; Grade X, 7; Grade XI, 4; and Grade XII, 7.

THE GENERAL REPORT

The annual report should perhaps give us some kind of a picture of the kind of education being provided for our youth from the first grade on, but when town meeting day comes around we get all "steamed up" over some little item on the warrant so our overall problems wait yet another year for discussion. Probably the most distressing feature of present day reaction to educational matters is the extreme inertia of the layman. This inertia results in a lack of information which promotes a lack of understanding and a lack of sympathy towards the whole problem of education. Most distressing is the vehemence and the ignorance with which views about education are expressed publicly and privately by many prominent people.

The basis of American democracy is that ALL people have value. Each individual has potential abilities, and given a chance, can make a unique contribution to the good of all.

Even from a narrow, selfish point of view, we cannot afford to have an ignorant and suppressed segment in our society. Whether we like it or not, these people are with us. Each individual becomes a producer and a consumer, hence an asset to our economic life, or he fails to produce and becomes a liability. Such persons become expensive liabilities if they have to be institutionalized, when for evidence we consider that America's annual crime bill exclusive of poverty is TWELVE billions annually while her total bill for education is nearer TWO billions annually.

Here in Bennington, we have a fine plant and teaching staff. The grouping of more than two grades in a room when such excellent facilities are available for more favorable grouping, is a matter of much regret to your superintendent. I believe that the budget provides for a better arrangement than at present. It seems necessary

to spend a certain amount on school upkeep and transportation but we should remember that the primary purpose of the whole educational program is instruction.

The extra curricular activities are very necessary in the promotion of worthy citizenship. The teachers and cooperating townspeople are to be commended for their participation. It is most helpful.

Perhaps we should particularly express our gratitude to the School Board for their tireless attention to the multitudinous problems affecting a school program. We are often too prone to complain rather than compliment. Parents are rightfully selfish in the interests of their children and we always welcome a chance to promote worthwhile opportunities for these children. Likewise it is sometimes pertinent to realize that as citizens we have the duty of promoting good fellowship.

I wish to call your attention to the need to study carefully the accompanying reports. Good citizenship requires no less of any of us.

In conclusion I wish to thank the teachers, parents, and school board for their tireless interest and cooperation in the promotion of our mutual program. Let us all strive to maintain these motives to the exclusion of any personal motivations.

Respectfully submitted,

STEWART V. McCORMACK
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Stewart V. McCormack, Superintendent of Schools:

My report of the health work for the year 1945 follows:

| | |
|--|----|
| Number of pupils inspected in Nov.-Dec. | 84 |
| Number with defective vision | 6 |
| Number with dental defects | 38 |
| Number with symptoms of diseased tonsils | 7 |
| Number with nose defects | 4 |
| Number with enlarged glands | 4 |
| Number with poor posture | 3 |
| Number with skin diseases including pediculosis | 8 |
| Number of Whooping cough reported | 1 |

Corrections During Year:

| | |
|---|----|
| Number with vision defects fitted to glasses | 5 |
| Number of dental cases treated by family dentists | 10 |
| Number of dental cases treated at the School Dental Clinic | 27 |
| Number with diseased tonsils operated upon | 3 |
| Number of school visits | 81 |

| | |
|---|----|
| Number of classroom inspections | 11 |
| Number of home visits | 11 |
| Number of hearing tests with the Audiometer | 52 |
| Number of eye tests | 79 |
| First Aid Kit refilled | |
| Weighed and measured | 79 |

In conclusion, I thank the Superintendent of Schools, teachers, members of the Board of Education, parents and pupils for their interest and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET E. HARRIS, R.N.

REPORT OF SEXTON OF BENNINGTON, N. H., FROM JAN. 1, 1945 — JAN. 1, 1946

| Name | Age | | DIED | Brought From | Place Interment |
|--------------------|-----|-------|----------|--------------|-----------------|
| | Y. | M.D. | | | |
| Bernard McAllister | 78 | | April 22 | | Evergreen |
| Stephen J. Mahoney | 70 | 2 20 | June 21 | Antrim | Mt. Calvary |
| William R. Nichols | 84 | 10 10 | August 5 | Londonderry | Sunnyside |
| Frank E. Sheldon | 82 | 1 | Oct. 8 | Peterborough | Sunnyside |
| Lawrence W. Flynn | 76 | | Nov. 23 | Peterborough | Mt. Calvary |

Respectfully submitted,
WILLIAM J. TAYLOR, Sexton

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES

AND DEATHS

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF

Bennington, New Hampshire

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 31st, 1945

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN BENNINGTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1945

| Date of Birth 1945 | Name of Child | Sex | | Name of Father | Maiden Name of Mother | Birthplace of Father | Birthplace of Mother |
|--------------------|--------------------|-----|---|----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| | | M | F | | | | |
| Mar. 28 | Joseph C Cuddemi | M | L | 2 Albert Cuddemi | Beatrice J LaPoint | Boston, Mass. | Troy, N. H. |
| Sept. 7 | Donna Lee Sheldon | F | L | 1 Not stated | Mae Sheldon | Manchester | Manchester |
| Oct. 12 | Walter T Levesque | M | L | 2 Wilfred J Levesque | Laura M Sylvester | Nashua, N.H. | Milford, N. H. |
| Oct. 28 | Maria Eve Cordatos | F | L | 5 Christos Cordatos | Eernice G Shultz | Athens, Greece | Antrim, N. H. |
| Nov. 6 | Kathleen Connelly | F | L | 1 Gerald R Connelly | Jeanette L Young | Springfield, Mass. | Randolph, Vt. |

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN BENNINGTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1945

| Date of Marriage 1945 | Name and Surname of Groom and Bride | Residence of Each at Time of Marriage | Age | | Place of Birth of each | Names of Parents | Birthplace of Parents |
|-----------------------|---|---------------------------------------|-----|----|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| | | | M | F | | | |
| Feb. 10 | William E Murphy Florence I. Edwards | Berlin, N. H. Bennington | 34 | 28 | Bangor, Me. Bennington, N. H. | William J. Murphy Mary Irene Coleman George Evan Edwards | Lancaster, N. H. Bangor, Me. Milton, Mass. |
| Mar. 5 | Robert Donald Cota Evelyn Ann Howard | Hillsboro, N. H. New York, N. Y. | 20 | 19 | Franklin, N. H. New York N. Y. | Caroline E. Hoffman Ruben Cota Alice A. Ricker Ralph J. Ricker | Milton, Mass. Franklin, N. H. New York, N. Y. |
| April 18 | Andrew T Clark Velma C. Babine | Portland, Me. Greenfield, N. H. | 25 | 17 | Milford, Me. Danville, N. H. | Andrew T. Clark Agnes M. Barnard Clarence W. Babine Etta May Day | Canada Canada Wilmington, Mass. Danville, N. H. |
| June 17 | Robert W Coffin Marion E Derosier | Boston, Mass. Bennington | 25 | 17 | Cambridge, Mass. Bennington, N. H. | Walter S Coffin Florence A Crouse Henry J Derosier Helen Mary Bates | Somerville, Mass. Boston, Mass. Manchester, N. H. Gilsium, N. H. |

DEATHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF BENNINGTON FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1945

| Date 1945 | Place Of Death | Name | Years | | | Months | | | Days | | | Place of Birth | Name of Father | Maiden Name of Mother |
|--------------|----------------------|------------------------|-------|--------|------|--------|--------|------|-------|--------|----------------|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| | | | Years | Months | Days | Years | Months | Days | Years | Months | Days | | | |
| Apr. 22 | Bennington | Bernard McAllister | 78 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Peterboro | Martin McAllister | Harriet | |
| May 4 | Peterboro | Jean Marie Burke | 85 | 10 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Hillsboro | Milton Francis Burke | Mary Elizabeth Nazer | |
| May 23 | Bennington | Ella Francis Nichols | 75 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Greenfield | George Brockway | Betsy Chesler | |
| June 11 | Bennington | Franklin Albert French | 82 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Derby, Conn. | George W. French | Sarah Dasmuth | |
| Oct 8 | Peterboro | Frank Eugene Sheldon | 79 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Taunton, Mass. | Francis Sheldon | Unknown | |
| Nov. 18 | Peterboro | Sally Crocker Pierce | | | | | | | | | | George Crocker | Helen Devons | |

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

JOHN H. LINDSAY, Town Clerk.

