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Selectmen

MYRLE E. REED	ALFRED G. VIOLET
W. HAROLD AUSTIN	

Town Clerk	LEON F. NEWTON
Town Treasurer	HARRY B. GOWEN

Supervisors

ALBERT J. DAVIS	THOMAS B. SOUTHWICK
JOSEPH NICHOLS	

Moderator	GLENN N. BASCOM
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Road Agent	HAROLD C. GRANT (resigned)
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FREELAND E. HEMPHILL  
(appointed by selectmen for balance of year)

Overseer of Poor	MYRLE E. REED
Tax Collector	LEON F. NEWTON
Constable	THOMAS R. POTTER
Special Police	MYRLE E. REED, Jr.
Auditor	HELEN M. SOUTHWICK

Trustees of Trust Funds

HARRY B. GOWEN	DOROTHY N. FAUGHT
MYRLE E. REED	

# Town Warrant

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## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Acworth, in the County of Sullivan, in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said Acworth on Tuesday the twelfth (12th.) day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Art. 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Art. 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.

Art. 3. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for highways and bridges.

Art. 4. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for breaking roads.

Art. 5. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for support of town poor and old age assistance.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to accept State aid for class V roads and raise money for the same.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for lights.

Art. 8. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for interest.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow on notes on credit of the town, such sums of money as may be necessary to meet current expenses in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for observance of Old Home Day.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for support of Silsby Free Public Library.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for Memorial Day.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of four hundred dollars (\$400.00) for control of white pine blister rust.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to close the road from the Church to the Corner.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to accept as a gift about five acres of the so called Fisk property in South Acworth as a town dump, the same to be under the supervision of the health officer.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise five hundred dollars to be added to the trust fund for betterment of the Acworth educational system, according to chapter 160, laws of 1943.

Art. 17. To determine and appoint the salaries of town officers.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) as partial or complete payment for additional road equipment and instruct the selectmen to borrow balance if more money is needed, a committee consisting of the selectmen, the road agent and two others elected by the voters, be given the authority to decide what equipment is best suited for the town.

Art. 19. To see what charge if any be made for use of town house.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to petition the State Tax Commission to have an audit by the Division of Municipal Accounting and to make an appropriation for same.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to appoint or elect a road agent at forty-five dollars a week.

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the town house.

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

Given under our hands and seal, this 25th. day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-six.

MYRLE E. REED,  
ALFRED G. VIOLET,  
W. HAROLD AUSTIN,  
Selectmen of Acworth

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

MYRLE E. REED,  
ALFRED G. VIOLET,  
W. HAROLD AUSTIN,  
Selectmen of Acworth



## Budget

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At a meeting of the Budget Committee held February 1, 1946, it recommended—

That we raise the sum of \$1,600.00 to pay town charges.

That we accept State aid construction of Class V roads and raise and appropriate or set aside for said purpose the sum required, \$654.00.

That we raise the sum of \$1,500.00 for highways and bridges.

That we raise the sum of \$3,500.00 for winter maintenance of roads.

That we raise the sum of \$100.00 for town poor.

That we raise the sum of \$500.00 for old age assistance.

That we raise the sum of \$330.00 for town lights.

That we raise the sum of \$50.00 to pay interest charges.

That we raise the sum of \$140.00 for the support of Silsby Free Public Library.

That we raise the sum of \$25.00 for Old Home Day.

That we raise the sum of \$40.00 for Memorial Day.

That we raise the sum of \$500.00 for betterment of town school system, same to be held by town trustees.

That we raise the sum of \$1,010.00 for outlay, new construction and permanent improvement of Town House.

WILLIS R. WARD, Chairman  
ALFRED G. VIOLET  
ELSIE GOODNOW, School Board  
GLENN BASCOM  
MYRLE E. REED  
HARRY GOWEN, Town Treasurer  
W. HAROLD AUSTIN, Secretary

## Budget of the Town of Acworth, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1946 to December 31, 1946, compared with Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1945 to December 31, 1945

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1945	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1946	Increase	Decrease
<i>From State</i>				
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 122.85	\$ 120.00		\$ 2.85
Savings Bank Tax	141.99	135.00		6.99
Reimbursement acct. State, and Federal forest lands	20.00	15.00		5.00
Class V Highway Maintenance	2873.50	2830.00		43.50
<i>From Local Sources Except Taxes</i>				
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	208.28	100.00		108.28
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	373.63	375.00	1.37	
Sale of Town Property acquired by Tax Deeds	445.64			445.64
Cash Surplus	7118.40	1596.99		5521.41
<i>From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes</i>				
(a) Poli Taxes Regular at \$2	372.00	370.00		2.00
(b) Natl. Bank Stock Taxes	11.00	11.00		
Total Revenues from All Sources Except Property Taxes	\$11637.29	\$ 4552.99		\$6135.67
Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes	17246.49	19403.36	1146.87	
<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$28933.78</b>	<b>\$24956.35</b>	<b>\$1148.24</b>	<b>\$6135.67</b>

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PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1945	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1946	Increase	Decrease
<b>CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES</b>				
<b>General Government</b>				
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 1016.99	\$ 1015.00	\$	\$ 1.99
Town Officers' Expenses	395.96	366.00		29.96
Elec. and Reg. Expenses		130.00	130.00	
Expenses Town Hall	268.55	65.00		203.55
<b>Protection of Persons and Property</b>				
Police Department	10.00	5.00		5.00
Fire Department	25.75	10.00		15.75
Blister Rust	387.30	400.00	12.70	
<b>Health</b>				
Vital Statistics	8.50	9.00	.50	
<b>Highways and Bridges</b>				
Town Maintenance; summer	3278.11	2830.00		448.11
Town Maintenance; winter	3353.30	3500.00		353.30
Street Lighting	301.13	330.00	28.87	
Gen'l Exp. Highway Dept.	847.28			847.28
Town Road Aid	640.51	654.00	13.49	
Dredging River	242.40			242.40
<b>Libraries</b>				
Silsby Free Public Library	140.00	140.00		
<b>Public Welfare</b>				
Town Poor		100.00	100.00	
Old Age Assistance	391.26	500.00	108.74	
<b>Patriotic Purposes</b>				
Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	65.00	65.00		
<b>Recreation</b>				
Parks and Playgrounds	10.00			10.00
<b>Public Service Enterprises</b>				
Cemeteries	82.00			
<b>Unclassified</b>				
Damages, Legal Expenses	7.38			7.38
Outlay for New Construction, Per. Impt's		1010.00	1010.00	
<b>Highways and Bridges</b>				
Town Construction	868.76	1500.00	631.24	
New Equipment	5865.00	1500.00		4365.00
<b>Payment on Principal of Debt</b>				
Capital Reserve Funds	500.00	500.00		
<b>Payments to Other Governmental Divisions</b>				
County Taxes	1669.35	1669.35		
Payments to School District	6800.00	8658.00	1858.00	
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$27174.53</b>	<b>\$24956.35</b>	<b>\$3893.54</b>	<b>\$6529.72</b>

## Report of the Selectmen

### Inventory for the Town of Acworth for 1945

Lands and buildings		\$342,760.00
Growing wood and timber		9,550.00
Electric plants		12,900.00
Horses 69		7,375.00
Oxen 2		350.00
Cows 374		45,055.00
Other neat stock 54		4,540.00
Sheep and goats 21		145.00
Fowls 2300		2,300.00
Portable mills 2		1,650.00
Wood, lumber, etc.		10,200.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks 7		610.00
Stock in trade		1,475.00
Aqueducts		3,600.00
Total valuation		<u>\$442,510.00</u>
Exclusive of soldiers' exemptions		\$436,620.00
Poll taxes—regular 225 @ \$2.00	\$450.00	
Poll taxes—special 233 @ \$3.00	699.00	
National Bank stock taxes	11.00	
Amount of taxes to be committed to collector, including regular poll taxes and National Bank stock taxes		\$17,707.49
Special poll taxes		<u>699.00</u>
Total taxes to be committed to collector		\$18,406.49
Average rate percent of taxation for all purposes		\$3.95
Amount of property valuation exempted to soldiers		\$ 5,890.00

## Statement of Appropriations and Taxes Assessed

Town officers' salaries		\$ 1,600.00
Blister rust		400.00
Town road aid		640.51
Town maintenance, highways and bridges		1,200.00
Winter maintenance		3,500.00
Clearing river channel		250.00
Street lighting		330.00
Old Home Day		25.00
New equipment		3,200.00
Library		140.00
Old age assistance		425.00
Town poor		100.00
Memorial Day		40.00
Interest		25.00
County tax		1,669.35
School tax		7,595.00
Capital reserve fund, war bond		500.00
Total Town and School Appropriations		<u>\$21,639.86</u>
Less estimated revenues and credits		
Interest and dividend tax	\$ 150.00	
Savings Bank tax	100.00	
Motor vehicle permit fees	350.00	
Interest received on taxes	50.00	
Sale of tax deeded property	250.00	
Cash surplus	3,200.00	
Total revenues and credits		<u>\$ 4,100.00</u>
		\$17,539.86
Plus overlay		<u>167.63</u>
Net amount to raised by taxation		\$17,707.49
Less Regular poll taxes @ \$2.00	\$ 450.00	
National Bank stock taxes	11.00	
		<u>461.00</u>
Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is to be figured		\$17,246.49

Taxes to be committed to collector	
Property taxes	\$17,246.49
Regular poll taxes @ \$2.00	450.00
National Bank stock taxes	11.00
Total taxes	<u>\$17,707.49</u>
Special poll taxes @ \$3.00	699.00
Total taxes to be committed	<u>\$18,406.49</u>

MYRLE E. REED,  
ALFRED G. VIOLET,  
W. HAROLD AUSTIN,

Selectmen of Acworth

#### Schedule of Town Property

Town House, land and buildings	\$ 3,000.00
Library, land and building	5,000.00
Furniture, books, etc.	2,000.00
Parks and playgrounds	500.00
Schools, land and buildings	8,000.00
Equipment	800.00
Town truck and equipment	5,000.00
Young lot	60.00
Jennison lot	175.00
John Allen lot	100.00
Prouty lot	50.00

## Town Clerk's Report

12 female dogs licensed @ \$5.00	\$	60.00	
66 male and spayed female @ \$2.00		132.00	
2 kennels, 5 dogs each @ \$12.00		<u>24.00</u>	
			\$ 216.00
Less fees due Clerk, 88 dogs @ 20¢			<u>17.60</u>
Paid Treasurer			\$ 198.40
Received for auto permits			
1944 No. 125287-125288	\$	6.57	
1945 No. 1-195 inclusive		<u>373.63</u>	
Paid Treasurer			\$ 380.20

I hereby certify that the foregoing report by me filed is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

LEON F. NEWTON, Town Clerk

I hereby certify that I have examined the books of Leon F. Newton, Town Clerk, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

HELEN M. SOUTHWICK, Auditor

## Tax Collector's Report

Summary of Warrant, Levy of 1945			
Taxes committed to Collector			
Property taxes		\$17,246.99	
Poll taxes regular @ \$2.00		444.00	
Poll taxes special @ \$3.00		687.00	
National Bank stock taxes		<u>11.00</u>	
			\$18,388.99
Added Taxes			
Property taxes	\$	19.75	
Poll taxes regular @ \$2.00		26.00	
Poll taxes special @ \$3.00		<u>42.00</u>	
			\$ 87.75

Interest collected		1.65
		<u>\$18,478.39</u>

## Remittances to the Treasurer

Property taxes	\$12,849.56
Interest	1.65
Poll taxes regular @ \$2.00	372.00
Poll taxes special @ \$3.00	576.00
National Bank stock taxes	11.00
Abatements	23.70

## Uncollected

Property taxes	4,393.48
Poll taxes regular	98.00
Poll taxes special	<u>153.00</u>

\$18,478.39

## Summary of Warrant, Levy of 1944

## Uncollected reported January 1, 1945

Property tax	\$ 3,687.59
Regular polls	118.00
Special polls	177.00
Added property tax	37.00
Interest collected	<u>145.65</u>

\$ 4,165.24

Remittances to Treasurer	\$ 3,919.32
Abatements allowed	10.00

## Uncollected List

Property tax	200.92
Regular polls	14.00
Special polls	<u>21.00</u>

\$ 4,165.24

## Summary of Warrant, Previous Years

## Uncollected reported January 1,

1945	\$ 371.93
Interest collected	<u>.88</u>

\$ 372.81



Remittances to Treasurer	\$	33.06			
Abatements allowed		25.05			
Uncollected list		314.70			
					\$ 372.81

## Summary of Tax Sales Account as of December 31, 1945

Levy of—	1944	1943	1942	1941	1940
Taxes sold					
to Town	\$339.90	\$204.46	\$113.31	\$156.61	\$ 36.12
Int. collected		4.41	13.39	39.04	3.26
	\$339.90	\$208.87	\$126.70	\$195.65	\$ 39.38
Remittances					
to Treasurer	\$100.45	\$ 92.52	\$106.15	\$195.65	\$ 10.97
Unredeemed	239.45	116.35	20.55		28.41
	\$339.90	\$208.87	\$126.70	\$195.65	\$ 39.38

## Unredeemed Tax Sales as of December 31, 1945

Year of Levy	1944	1943	1942	1940
Davis, Clifford	\$ 19.07	\$ 17.05	\$ 19.20	\$
Carr, Edward L.	26.91			
Handfield, Joseph	13.63	8.95		
Emery, Harold		8.54		
Rhodes, Geo. C.	66.11	80.12		
Heino, John	61.71			
Champney, Don	32.95		1.35	
Howe, Earl & Sons	19.07	1.69		28.41
	\$239.45	\$116.35	\$ 20.55	\$ 28.41

I hereby certify that the foregoing report by me filed is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

LEON F. NEWTON, Tax Collector

I hereby certify that I have examined the books of Leon F. Newton, Tax Collector, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

HELEN M. SOUTHWICK, Auditor

## TREASURER'S REPORT

## Summary of Receipts

State of New Hampshire	
Savings Bank tax	\$ 122.85
Interest and dividends	141.99
State's share of forest fires	20.00
Class V roads highway maintenance	2,873.50
Received from other sources	220.75
Bounty on hedgehogs	70.50
Received from County	39.80
Leon F. Newton, Tax Collector	
Dog licenses	198.40
Tax sales redeemed	445.64
Property taxes, 1945	12,873.26
Regular poll taxes, 1945	372.00
Special poll taxes, 1944, 1945	726.00
Previous years poll taxes	116.00
Previous years property taxes	3,574.90
Leon F. Newton, Town Clerk	
Auto permits, 1945	380.20
Interest and costs	208.28
Property sold by the Town	410.00
National Bank stock	11.00
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	\$22,805.07
Cash on hand January 1, 1945	7,118.40
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	\$29,923.47
Expenditures	28,326.48
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Cash on hand January 1, 1946	\$ 1,596.99

## Summary of Payments

Town officers' salaries	\$ 1,016.99
Town officers' expenses	395.96
Abatements	80.25

Town house	268.55
Police	10.00
Fire	25.75
Moth extermination and blister rust	387.30
Bounties	79.50
Damage by dogs	7.38
Vital statistics	8.50
Summer maintenance	3,278.11
Winter maintenance	3,353.30
Lights	301.13
General expenses of highway department	847.28
Libraries	140.00
Old age assistance	391.26
TRA	640.51
Memorial Day and other celebrations	65.00
Parks and playgrounds	10.00
Cemeteries	82.00
Bond for betterment of Acworth school system	500.00
Taxes bought by the Town	300.19
Special appropriation	242.40
Bridges	868.76
New equipment	5,865.00
County tax	1,669.35
Special \$3.00 tax	692.01
Schools	6,000.00
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	\$28,326.48

## Detailed Statement of Receipts

1945

Jan. 1, Balance on hand	\$ 7,118.40
Feb. 12, State of N. H., bounty on hedgehogs	70.50
Alfred W. Roy, sale of Town property	250.00

	Leon F. Newton, property taxes 1944	552.24
	regular poll taxes 1944	18.00
	special poll taxes 1944	27.00
	interest 1944	3.31
	auto permits 1944	6.57
Mar. 30,	property taxes 1944	593.31
	special poll taxes 1944	69.00
	regular poll taxes 1944	46.00
	interest	16.12
	special poll tax 1945	3.00
	regular poll tax 1945	2.00
	tax sales redeemed 1943	27.32
	interest	.91
	auto permits 1945	254.28
May 11,	regular poll tax 1945	2.00
	special poll tax 1945	3.00
	regular poll taxes 1944	20.00
	special poll taxes 1944	30.00
	property taxes 1944	706.64
	interest	26.18
	property taxes 1943	8.48
	interest	.88
June 20,	poll taxes 1937	4.00
	property tax 1937	.45
	poll tax 1936	2.00
	property tax 1936	4.25
	tax sales redeemed 1943	60.79
	interest	3.50
	tax sales redeemed 1942	70.73
	interest	13.39
	tax sales redeemed 1941	70.73
	interest	21.88
	auto permits 1945	47.52
	dog licenses 1945	57.80
	property taxes 1945	37.50
	special poll taxes 1945	126.00
	regular poll taxes 1945	80.00
	property taxes 1944	161.32

		special poll tax 1944	3.00
		regular poll tax 1944	2.00
		interest	6.50
		poll taxes 1943	4.00
		poll tax 1941	2.00
		State of N. H., attending fire wardens meeting	1.25
July	7,	State of N. H., Class V money	2,873.50
		Town of Alstead, road work	4.80
		Mrs. E. R. Murdock, moving goods	35.00
Aug.	4,	Leon F. Newton, special poll taxes 1945	189.00
		regular poll taxes 1945	120.00
		property taxes 1945	50.00
		property taxes 1944	220.30
		regular poll taxes 1944	4.00
		special poll taxes 1944	6.00
		interest	9.65
		poll tax 1939	2.00
	16,	property taxes 1945	2,062.90
		regular poll taxes 1945	16.00
		special poll taxes 1945	24.00
		regular poll tax 1944	2.00
		special poll tax 1944	3.00
		property taxes 1944	590.18
		interest	31.65
		auto permits	12.68
	18,	State of N. H., work at Alstead	43.20
		work at Alstead TRA	108.00
	25,	Leon F. Newton, property taxes 1945	876.53
		National Bank stock	3.00
		special poll taxes 1945	21.00
		regular poll taxes 1945	14.00
		property taxes 1944	325.41
		interest	20.16
		State of N. H., work at Alstead	64.80
		Fred D. Carmen, work done by truck	3.50
Sept.	27,	Leon F. Newton, property taxes 1945	2,032.02
		special poll taxes 1945	42.00

		regular poll taxes 1945	26.00
		property taxes 1944	103.60
		interest and costs	15.16
		tax sales redeemed 1940	7.71
		interest	3.26
		tax sales redeemed 1942	4.03
Oct.	5,	property taxes 1945	719.03
		regular poll taxes 1944	4.00
		special poll taxes 1944	6.00
		property taxes 1944	273.27
		interest	16.92
		tax sales redeemed 1944	50.45
		Property sold by the Town	55.00
		dog licenses 1945	48.20
		auto permits	16.21
	26,	regular poll taxes 1945	22.00
		special poll taxes 1945	33.00
		property taxes 1945	1,236.61
		National Bank stock tax	8.00
		tax sales redeemed 1941	85.88
		interest	17.16
		tax sales redeemed 1942	8.00
		tax sales redeemed 1944	50.00
Nov.	21,	property taxes 1945	1,818.89
		regular poll taxes 1945	14.00
		special poll taxes 1945	21.00
		tax sales redeemed 1942	10.00
		Property sold by the Town	100.00
Dec.	5,	regular poll taxes 1945	60.00
		special poll taxes 1945	90.00
		property taxes 1945	3,426.01
		property taxes 1944	5.55
	28,	regular poll taxes 1945	10.00
		special poll taxes 1945	15.00
		property taxes 1945	459.39
		property taxes 1944	1.85
		property taxes 1937	3.00
		interest	.87

	Property sold by the Town	5.00
	dog licenses	7.80
	auto permits	14.72
	State of N. H., Savings Bank tax	141.99
	interest and dividend	122.85
	State's share of forest fires	20.00
	Leon F. Newton, auto permits	27.12
	dog licenses	82.80
Dec. 31,	property taxes 1945	154.38
	regular poll taxes 1945	6.00
	special poll taxes 1945	9.00
	interest	.78
	poll tax 1941	2.00
	regular poll taxes 1944	4.00
	special poll taxes 1944	6.00
	property taxes 1944	25.05
	auto permits 1945	1.10
	dog licenses 1945	1.80

## Detailed Statement of Payments

### Town Officers' Salaries

1945		
	Helen M. Southwick, services as auditor	\$ 25.00
	Joseph Nichols, services as supervisor	10.00
	Harry B. Gowen, services as town treasurer	100.00
	W. Harold Austin, services as selectman	200.00
	Alfred G. Violet, services as selectman	200.00
	Myrle E. Reed, services as selectman	200.00
	Leon F. Newton, bal. services as tax collector	60.00
	services as town clerk	100.00
	collecting special poll taxes	6.99

T. B. Southwick, services as supervisor	10.00
Glenn Bascom, services as moderator	5.00
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	\$ 916.99
Leon F. Newton, services as tax collector	100.00
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	\$ 1,016.99

### Town Officers' Expenses

1945

Clinton K. Barton, recording collectors deeds	\$ 2.00
William Miller Son Co., printing town reports	112.00
Association of N. H. Assessors, dues	4.00
Edson C. Eastman, tax collectors book	10.92
Myrle E. Reed, envelopes, stamps	9.82
Clinton K. Barton, record of transfers, 1944	12.00
Edson C. Eastman, supplies	36.98
Bernice MacWilliams, list of probate estates, 1944	.20
Leon F. Newton, 150 auto permits	37.50
attending tax meeting	4.00
Perry & Willard, bonding town officers	44.50
Edson C. Eastman, town supplies	2.96
N. H. City & Town Tax As'sn., dues 1944-45	4.00
Honesty Farm Press, town supplies	8.51
Leon F. Newton, costs of tax sales	39.71
advertising taxes	9.86
copying inventory	4.00
making 3 deeds	3.00
44 auto permits @ 25¢	11.00
Arthur V. Pillsbury, town use of horse sheds	15.00
Solon L. Neal, labor on books of town, 1944	20.00
copying 1944 blotter	4.00
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	\$ 395.96

### Town Hall

1945

Apr. 14, Alfred G. Violet, wood, town hall	\$ 10.00
Myrle E. Reed, insurance, town hall and library	90.00



Dec. 21, E. R. Wiggin, material	168.55
	<u>\$ 268.55</u>
Police	
Aug. 18, Myrle E. Reed, Jr., special police	\$ 4.00
Thomas R. Potter, police duty	6.00
	<u>\$ 10.00</u>
Damage by Dogs	
Apr. 14, Edson C. Eastman, 100 dog tags and book	\$ 7.38
Bounties	
Dec. 21, Leon F. Newton, hedgehogs	\$ 7.00
Alfred G. Violet	22.00
Myrle E. Reed	27.00
W. Harold Austin	23.50
	<u>\$ 79.50</u>
Fires	
Apr. 14, Maurice Miller, attending wardens' meeting	\$ 2.50
Dec. 21, Town of Alstead, Grant & Bressor fires in 1944	23.25
	<u>\$ 25.75</u>
Vital Statistics	
Dec. 31, Leon F. Newton, recording	\$ 8.50
Parks and Playgrounds	
Sept. 28, Lyman A. Young, mowing common	\$ 10.00
County Tax	
Dec. 7, Merton J. Sargent	\$ 1,669.35
Street and Town Hall Lights	
1945 Granite State Electric Co.	\$ 301.13

## Old Age Assistance

1945		\$	391.26
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## Abatements

Sept. 14,	Leon F. Newton, abatement		
	George King, 1944 tax	\$	21.50
	Helen Chapman, overtax		23.70
Dec. 31,	L. Harrington, 1943 poll tax		2.00
	H. Harrington, 1943 poll tax		2.00
	G. Neal, 1939 poll tax		2.00
	G. Neal, 1938 poll tax		2.00
	S. Timpano, 1938 poll tax		2.00
	S. Timpano, 1940 poll tax		2.00
	David Schrader, 1937 property tax		13.05
	Myra Schriver, 1944 poll tax		5.00
	Louis Dallavalle, 1944 poll tax		5.00
		\$	80.25

## Special \$3.00 Poll Tax

Dec. 21,	Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	\$	692.01
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## Bond for Betterment of Acworth School System

Dec. 7,	Harry B. Gowen, school treasurer	\$	500.00
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## Material for Highways and Bridges

June 8,	Julius Christie, fence posts	\$	8.20
July 9,	State of N. H. Highway Garage, concrete culverts		351.08
Aug. 18,	T. S. Mann, lumber for bridges		113.12
Sept. 28,	Vermont Pipe Corp., concrete pipe		208.72
Oct. 26,	Town of Alstead, concrete pipe		100.00
	Julius Christie, posts		7.00
Dec. 31,	Myrle E. Reed, 1920 ft. bridge plank		80.64
		\$	868.76

## Silsby Free Public Library

Nov. 9,	George S. Amsden, treasurer	\$	140.00
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## Memorial Day

Sept. 14, H. L. Estabrook, treasurer	\$	40.00
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## Old Home Day

Oct. 13, Myrle E. Reed, treasurer	\$	25.00
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## Cemeteries

Dec. 31, Solon L. Neal, mowing cemetery services as sexton	\$	45.00
		<u>37.00</u>
	\$	82.00

## Taxes Bought by Town

Sept. 28, Leon F. Newton, tax collector	\$	300.19
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## Blister Rust

Dec. 21, State of N. H., white pine blister	\$	387.30
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## Town Road Aid

July 7, State of New Hampshire	\$	315.00
Nov. 30,		<u>325.51</u>
	\$	640.51

## Dredging River

Aug. 31, Arthur Whitcomb, shovel	\$	90.00
Sept. 14,		115.00
		<u>37.40</u>
	\$	242.40

## School District

Payment to School District	\$	6,800.00
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## HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

## Winter Maintenance

Jan.	20,	Charles Horton	\$	60.30
		Lynn Bushey		3.90
		Leonard E. Smith		271.00
Feb.	3,	Charles Young		6.00
		Leonard E. Smith		168.75
		Arthur Smith		4.20
		Perley Webber		10.20
		Perley Webber		18.30
		Julius Christie		15.40
		Elroy Reed		21.30
		Allen Young		52.80
		Charles Westney		3.00
		Myrle E. Reed, Jr.		45.00
		Charles Young		10.80
		Willis Ward		4.50
Mar.	3,	Leonard E. Smith		207.55
		Allen Young		3.60
		Perley Webber		3.60
		Don Champney		9.00
		Wallace Reed		6.30
		Myrle E. Reed, Jr.		2.70
		George Groux		10.20
		Loyal Vallient		52.50
	17,	Leonard E. Smith		2.25
		John F. Balla, sand		1.20
		Arthur W. Smith		3.60
		Harvey Royce		3.00
		George Groux		8.40
		John F. Balla, sand		1.20
		James E. Williams		18.50
		Dale Wilson		12.00
		Lynn Bushey		21.60
		Julius Pitkin		5.70

	Allen Young	9.60
	Robert Trask	3.60
	Fred Silkey	9.60
	Eric Bascom	1.80
	Charles Young	7.80
	Myrle E. Reed, Jr.	19.80
	Elroy Reed	12.00
	Wallace Reed	245.50
	Wallace Reed	121.20
	Loyal Vallient	44.20
31,	Loyal Vallient	40.83
	Harold Grant, salary to April 1st.	105.31
Apr. 1,	Loyal Vallient, salary to April 1st.	90.93
14,	Kenneth Roy	258.65
May 25,	Stanley Kmiec	6.92
Aug. 18,	Construction Equip. Co., snowplow blades	24.00
Oct. 13,	Harold Grant, salary to Oct. 14th.	79.88
	Loyal Vallient, salary to Oct. 14th.	68.70
	Robert E. Trask	8.40
	Lyle Farnsworth	21.60
26,	Loyal Vallient, salary to Oct. 28th.	68.70
	Leonard Balla, sand	.90
	John Campbell	26.85
	Robert E. Trask	10.80
	Harold Grant, salary to Oct. 21st.	39.94
	Collector of Internal Revenue, withholding tax	90.50
Nov. 9,	Leonard Smith	4.20
	Martin Downing	7.20
	W. A. Sterling	52.50
	Adam Pineo	14.40
	Loyal Vallient, salary to Nov. 10th.	68.70
	Arthur Baltzer	14.40
	John Pickul, gravel	2.10
23,	Loyal Vallient, salary to Nov. 24th.	68.70
	Freeland Hemphill, salary to Nov. 24th.	90.00
	Nelson-Warner Co., road salt	102.90

Dec. 7,	Loyal Vallient, salary to Dec. 8th.	68.70
	Freeland Hemphill, salary to Dec. 8th.	69.76
	Elroy Reed	9.00
	Wallace Reed, use of truck	51.00
21,	Loyal Vallient, salary to Dec. 23rd.	68.70
	Freeland Hemphill, salary to Dec. 23rd.	79.88
31,	Allen Young	8.40
	Elroy Reed	8.40
	Wallace Reed, use of truck	78.00
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		\$ 3,353.30

#### Summer Maintenance

Apr. 14,	George Groux	\$ 21.08
	Henry Neal	21.38
	Harold Grant, salary to Apr. 14th.	78.98
	Milo Young	55.00
	Loyal Vallient, salary to Apr. 14th.	68.00
28,	George Groux	46.82
	Spencer Knight	19.20
	Loyal Vallient, salary to Apr. 28th.	68.00
	Harold Grant, salary to Apr. 28th.	78.98
	John Balla, gravel	5.40
May 11,	Harold Grant, salary to May 13th.	78.98
	Loyal Vallient, salary to May 13th.	68.00
	Spencer Knight	31.83
	George Groux	35.79
14,	Collector of Internal Revenue, withholding tax	13.49
25,	Spencer Knight	21.07
	George Groux	28.02
	Harold Grant, salary to May 26th.	78.98
	Loyal Vallient, salary to May 26th.	68.00
June 8,	Loyal Vallient, salary to June 9th.	68.00

		Harold Grant, salary to June 9th.	78.98
		George Groux	40.11
		Spencer Knight	36.11
	22,	Harold Grant, salary to June 23rd.	78.98
		Loyal Vallient, salary to June 23rd.	68.00
		James E. Williams, gravel	2.40
		George Groux	40.39
		Spencer Knight	34.44
	28,	Collector of Internal Revenue, withholding tax	110.10
July	7,	George Groux	2.40
		Spencer Knight	35.45
		Loyal Vallient, salary to July 7th.	33.70
		Loyal Vallient, salary to June 30th.	35.00
		Harold Grant, salary to July 7th.	34.88
		Harold Grant, salary to June 30th.	45.00
		Fred L. Robbins	10.80
	20,	Harold Grant, salary to July 22nd.	79.88
		Loyal Vallient, salary to July 22nd.	68.70
		George Groux	23.25
		Spencer Knight	6.15
		Jennie Grant	9.60
		Harold Grant, use of truck	97.20
Aug.	3,	George Groux	42.45
		Harold Grant, salary to Aug. 4th.	79.88
		Loyal Vallient, salary to Aug. 4th.	68.70
		Harold Grant, use of truck	32.40
	18,	George Groux	37.20
		Harvey Putnam	1.50
		Harold Grant, salary to Aug. 19th.	79.88
		Loyal Vallient, salary to Aug. 19th.	68.70
		Leonard Balla	7.20
		Harold Grant, use of truck	33.60
		Leonard Balla, gravel	53.00
		John Balla	11.40
		Fred Carmen, use of road machinery	220.00
		Construction Equip. Co., scraper blades	22.00

31,	George Groux	8.14
	Harold Grant, salary to Sept. 1st.	79.88
	Loyal Vallient, salary to Sept. 1st.	68.70
	Harold Grant, use of truck	16.80
	Leonard Balla	2.00
Sept. 14,	Robert E. Trask	9.60
	Harold Grant, use of truck	32.40
	Harold Grant, salary to Sept. 16th.	79.88
	Loyal Vallient, salary to Sept. 16th.	68.70
28,	Harry Kemp	5.40
	Harold Grant, salary to Sept. 30th.	79.88
	Loyal Vallient, salary to Sept. 30th.	68.70
Oct. 26,	Fred Carmen, use of road machinery	52.00
	Harold Grant, use of truck	21.60
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		\$ 3,278.11

### New Equipment

Feb. 1,	Construction Equip. Co., snowplow and truck	\$ 4,288.00
	mould board	412.00
Mar. 17,	bolts for plow	5.00
Apr. 14,	Fred G. Huntley, road rake	110.00
July 20,	Construction Equip. Co., part payment on grader	500.00
Aug. 18,	balance on grader	550.00
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		\$ 5,865.00



## General Expenses of Highway Department

Feb.	3,	W. Harold Austin, gas, oil, supplies	\$ 23.80
Mar.	3,	W. Harold Austin, gas, oil, supplies	52.73
Apr.	14,	J. A. Knight, gas, oil, supplies	7.55
		W. Harold Austin, gas, oil, supplies	82.17
		Andorra Forest Products, lumber for town truck	1.50
	28,	Chamberlain Machine Co., repairs on road grader	4.95
May	17,	Leon M. Trow, insurance on town truck	90.96
	25,	W. Harold Austin, gas, oil, supplies	37.87
		Harold Grant, gas, oil, supplies	3.23
June	22,	Harold Grant, cash for federal stamp	5.00
July	7,	W. Harold Austin, gas, oil, supplies	56.11
		Howard Hardware, tools	13.85
Aug.	18,	W. Harold Austin, gas, oil, supplies	63.97
	31,	Charlestown Garage, repairs, town truck	89.63
Sept.	28,	Harold Grant, repairs, town truck	5.05
Oct.	13,	W. Harold Austin, gas, oil, supplies	69.59
	26,	Jackson's Garage, battery, town truck	19.45
Nov.	23,	Frank Stanley, repairs, town truck	37.29
Dec.	7,	W. Harold Austin, gas, oil, supplies	53.73
		Taylor Motors, repairs, town truck	15.50
	31,	Charlestown Garage, repairs, town truck	3.00
		Construction Equip. Co., parts and blade for plow	19.77
		W. Harold Austin, gas, oil, supplies	84.57
Feb.	3,	Leon F. Newton, registration on truck	6.01
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			\$ 847.28

## Report of Trust Funds of the Town of Acworth, N. H., on December 31, 1945

Date of Creation	TRUST FUNDS, Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Balance Income on Hand Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance Income on Hand End of Year
<b>CEMETERY FUNDS</b>								
Apr. 22, 1913	Edward C. Ball	N. H. Sav. Bank	\$ 100.00	2%	\$	2.00	2.00	\$
Apr. 22,	Julia A. Buswell	"	200.00	2%	53.83	5.06	5.50	53.39
Apr. 26, 1916	Mary L. Bowers	"	300.00	2%	.52	6.00	5.50	1.02
Feb. 17, 1922	George W. Neal	"	106.36	2%	4.85	2.22	4.00	3.07
July 8,	T. W. Place	"	50.00	2%		1.00	1.00	
Aug. 5, 1924	William Warner	"	100.00	2%		2.00	2.00	
Jan. 3, 1925	Horace G. Perham	"	50.00	2%		1.00	1.00	
Mar. 19,	Henry A. Clark	"	200.00	2%	97.56	5.94	6.50	97.00
July 13,	Laura J. McKeen	"	100.00	2%		2.00	2.00	
Dec. 29,	Abram M. Mitchell	"	190.00	2%	30.64	4.41	6.50	28.55
May 3, 1929	Charles K. Wood	"	100.00	2%		2.00	2.00	
Mar. 14, 1930	Charles Elliott	"	50.00	2%		1.00	1.00	
Apr. 9,	Hiram N. Hayward	"	100.00	2%		2.00	2.00	
Jan. 12, 1931	Cynthia E. J. Finley	"	100.00	2%		2.00	2.00	
Sept. 1,	Ada L. Wallace	"	200.00	2%	.55	4.00	4.00	.55
Nov. 19	White - Ryder	"	95.00	2%		1.90	1.90	
Sept. 22, 1932	Oariett Eaton	"	25.00	2%		.50	.50	
Feb. 27, 1933	Samuel A. Nye	"	100.00	2%		2.00	2.00	
Apr. 17, 1934	Ashton E. Hemphill	"	100.00	2%		2.00	2.00	
July 12, 1937	George W. Buss	"	100.00	2%		2.00	2.00	

Oct., 23,	Frank McLaughlin		100.00	2%		2.00	2.00	
Dec. 15,	Walter Slader		300.00	2%	1.54	6.02	5.50	2.06
Mar. 15, 1938	George W. Call		100.00	2%		2.00	2.00	
Jan. 1, 1939	Alger E. Hemphill		100.00	2%		2.00	2.00	
Mar. 4, 1940	Charles M. Thornton		100.00	2%		2.00	2.00	
Nov. 12, 1941	Gertrude C. Read		200.00	2%	1.00	4.02	4.00	1.02
Dec. 9,	Weston Kemp		100.00	2%		2.00	2.00	
Dec. 9,	Weston Kemp - Orlin Kemp		50.00			1.00	1.00	
July 23, 1942	James Jeffery		100.00			2.00	2.00	
July 23,	H. W. Allen		100.00		1.12	2.02	2.00	1.14
Feb. 28, 1943	Ella M. Prentiss		100.00			2.00	2.00	
Dec. 27, 1944	Francis Buss	Sugar Riv. Sav. Bk.	70.00			1.28	1.28	
Dec. 27,	Almon E. Clark		130.00			2.39	2.39	
Oct. 19, 1945	Edwin S. Chatterton		300.00					
			\$4216.36		\$ 191.61	\$ 81.76	\$ 85.57	\$ 187.80

#### LIBRARY FUNDS

Apr. 5, 1915	Rebecca W. Madison	N. H. Sav. Bank	150.00	2%	12.36	3.24	15.60	
Aug. 25, 1924	W. L. Woodbury	"	1000.00	2%	27.44	20.54	47.98	
Dec. 29, 1925	Abram M. Mitchell	"	475.00	2%	72.77	10.47	48.24	
Mar. 15, 1937	Walter Slader	"	164.06		21.34	3.70	25.04	
			\$1789.06		\$ 133.91	\$ 37.95	\$ 35.00	\$ 136.86

HARRY B. GOWEN,  
DOROTHY N. FAUGHT,  
MYRLE E. REED, Trustees.

## AUDITOR'S STATEMENT

## Assets of the town December 31, 1945

Cash in treasury	\$ 1,596.99
Due on 1945 taxes	4,644.48
Due on 1944 taxes	235.92
Unredeemed previous years	404.76
Uncollected previous years	314.70
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	\$ 7,196.85

## Liabilities of the town December 31, 1945

Schools, balance of dog money, 1944	\$ 180.54	
1945	191.02	
	<hr/>	\$ 371.56
Schools, balance of appropriation		3,795.00
Net surplus, December 31, 1945		3,030.29
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		\$ 7,196.85
December 31, 1945, loss of surplus		\$ 5,497.59

## Cemetery Trust Funds for Perpetual Care

## Assets

Deposited in New Hampshire Savings Bank December 31, 1945	\$ 3,716.36
Deposited in Sugar River Savings Bank December 31, 1945	500.00
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	\$ 4,216.36

## Liabilities

Total trust funds received	\$ 4,028.56
Unexpended interest	187.80
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	\$ 4,216.36

## The Silsby Free Public Library Trust Funds

## Assets

Deposited in New Hampshire Savings Bank December 31, 1945	\$ 1,789.06
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## Liabilities

Total trust funds received	\$ 1,652.20	
Unexpended interest	136.86	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,789.06

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN M. SOUTHWICK, Auditor

## SILSBY FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

## TREASURER'S REPORT, 1945

## Town Appropriation Account

## Receipts

Balance on hand January 1, 1945	\$ 119.73
Town appropriation	140.00
Total receipts	<hr/> \$ 259.73

## Expenditures

Jan. 20, American Library Ass'n., dues 1946	\$ 5.00
June 30, Jennie E. Smith	
janitor service, year ending June 30	10.00
librarian service, Jan. 1 to March 13	10.00
librarian service, March 13 to July 1	32.00
postage	1.34
Sept. 9, H. D. Clark, 1 cord of wood	18.00
Oct. 25, William Miller Son Co., 500 book labels	2.50
Nov. 6, H. D. Clark, 1 cord slab wood	8.00
Dec. 31, Jennie E. Smith	
librarian service, July 1 to Dec. 31	52.00
postage	.55
Total expenditures	<hr/> \$ 139.39
Balance on hand December 31, 1945	\$ 120.34

Note—Of this balance \$50.00 was two years ago, appropriated for repairs of damage due to water from the roof. Owing to labor shortage this repair could not be done this year. The essential balance therefore is \$70.34.

## Trust Fund Account

## Receipts

Balance on hand January 1, 1945	\$	14.46
From H. B. Gowen, trust fund trustee		35.00
Total receipts	\$	49.46

## Expenditures

May 22, Caroline Stoughton Book Shop		
books	\$	11.02
31, books		4.13
Sept. 17, Mayfair Agency, periodical subscription		14.90
Oct. 11 Caroline Stoughton Book Shop, books		13.31
Total expenditures	\$	43.36
Balance on hand December 31, 1945	\$	6.10

G. S. AMSDEN, Treasurer

I hereby certify that I have examined the account of George S. Amsden, Treasurer of the Silsby Free Public Library and find it correct.

HELEN M. SOUTHWICK, Auditor

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

To the Citizens of Acworth;

Seventy-three books have been added, of these twenty-one have been purchased from our fund, twenty-six given by the State Aid Extension Division, and twenty-six given by different people.

Eight magazines have been purchased and others given.

The Bookmobile has visited us four times, leaving from thirty to thirty-eight books.

Bookweek was observed on November 16th. by the children of Acworth Town School. They gave a play in which they told of books they had read. Miss Pragst with another instructor and four students from Keene Teachers College came and gave a book demonstration. A number of the townspeople were present.

JENNIE E. SMITH, Librarian

# SCHOOL REPORT

DISTRICT OF

ACWORTH, N. H.



. . . School Board . . .

ELSIE GOODNOW

W. HAROLD AUSTIN

ELIZABETH M. BASCOM

# School Warrant

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## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School district in the town of Acworth, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the twelfth (12th.) day of March 1946, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.

Art. 2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

Art. 4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.

Art. 6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Art. 7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

Art. 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.

Art. 9. To see if the District will vote to raise the sum of two hundred dollars for the purpose of painting one of the school houses.

Art. 10. To see if the District will elect to approve of the inclusion of its officers and employees (other than those eligible under the Teachers' Retirement System) in the Employees Retirement System of the State of New Hampshire, which system is provided for by Chapter 27-A of the Revised Laws, as inserted by Chapter 183 of the Laws of 1945, and as provided by Chapter 201 of the Laws of 1945 and any subsequent amendments thereto.



Art. 11. If the District votes in the affirmative on the preceding article, to see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twelve dollars (\$12.00) for the purpose of providing funds for the district's contribuion to said retirement system for the coming year.

Given under our hands at said Acworth this fifth day of February, 1946.

ELSIE GOODNOW,  
W. HAROLD AUSTIN,  
ELIZABETH M. BASCOM,  
School Board

A true copy of Warrant--Attest:

ELSIE GOODNOW,  
W. HAROLD AUSTIN,  
ELIZABETH M. BASCOM,  
School Board

## TREASURER'S REPORT

## Receipts

Cash on hand June 30, 1944	\$ 133.72
Selectmen, appropriations	6,400.00
State treasurer	4,308.21
From all other sources	<u>236.84</u>
Total receipts for year	\$11,078.77
Less school orders paid	<u>11,013.92</u>
Cash on hand June 30, 1945	\$ 64.85

## AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the Treasurer of the School District of Acworth of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1945 and them correct in all respects.

MAUDE H. MOODY, Auditor

July 14, 1945

## SCHOOL BOARD'S REPORT OF EXPENDITURES

for School Year July 1, 1944, to June 30, 1945

### Summary Statement of Expenditures

Salaries of district officers	\$ 155.00
Superintendent's excess salary	133.32
Truant officer and school census	10.00
Expenses of administration	38.47
Teachers' salaries	2,287.96
Textbooks	59.63
Scholars' supplies	79.24
Flags and appurtenances	5.00
Other expenses of instruction	13.10
Janitor service	280.00
Fuel	193.85
Water, light, janitors' supplies	104.40
Minor repairs and expenses	77.12
Medical inspection, school nurse	112.55
Transportation of pupils	4,203.00
High school tuition	1,933.04
Elementary school tuition	1,027.00
Other special activities	28.00
Other fixed charges	220.00
New equipment	53.24
	\$11,013.92
Total expenditures for year	

## SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1946-47

## Detailed Statement of Expenditures

## Support of Schools

Teachers' salaries	\$ 2,600.00
Textbooks	90.00
Scholars' supplies	90.00
Flags and appurtenances	5.00
Other expenses of instruction	20.00
Janitor service	300.00
Fuel	225.00
Water, light, janitors' supplies	105.00
Minor repairs and expenses	200.00
Health supervision, medical inspection	100.00
Transportation of pupils, high school, elementary	4,245.00
Payment of elementary tuitions	1,100.00
Other special activities	28.00
Teachers' retirement fund	125.00

## Other Statutory Requirements

Salaries of district officers	190.00
Truant officer and school census	10.00
Payment of high school tuition	2,700.00
Superintendent's excess salary	185.00
Per capita tax	225.00
Other obligations (expense of administration)	45.00

Total amount required to meet school board's budget	\$12,588.00
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## Estimated Income of District

Balance June 30, 1946 (estimated)	
State aid (subject to adjustment at district meeting)	\$ 3,600.00
Dog tax (estimate)	130.00
Other estimated income	200.00
	<u>\$ 3,930.00</u>

Assessment required to finance school board's budget	\$8,658.00
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## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Acworth School Board:

I hereby submit my sixteenth annual report as your Superintendent of Schools.

We have had the good fortune to retain the services of Mrs. Gladys Murdough at the Center and Miss Helen Berry at the South for this year. Both schools are in good condition and the children are making good progress.

The buildings will soon need painting outside and some painting inside, but it is questionable whether too many repairs should be made until we can determine just what is best for the Acworth School District and for its children.

It is becoming more and more difficult to obtain teachers who are able or who are willing to teach rural schools. I believe that Acworth, by paying good salaries will be able to obtain two teachers for her schools during the crisis, but we may have to adopt some radical changes in order to keep the expenses within the limits that will not over burden the citizens. I am going to suggest some rather fantastic plans. I certainly do not advocate any of them at this time, but it would be well for the citizens to study them, as we may be forced by circumstances to adopt one or more of them. There is no doubt that we would like a new school house with two large rooms, situated such as to reduce the cost of transportation, but this is no time to build because of the expense, also because it is impossible to determine what the outcome of the rural school situation is going to be.

We could prepare the South School, using two rooms, thus closing the Center School for one year or we might use the Town Hall together with the Center School and thus close the South School. Perhaps the South School could be used for town purposes. If we really determine to cut down expenses the seventh and eighth grades thus could be taught by the same two teachers. This has been

tried out in Langdon and seems to have given very good results. The difficulty with this is that high school children would then have to board themselves near a high school or provide their own transportation. Another plan would be to furnish a big bus running from East Acworth to Alstead and another from South Acworth to Charlestown or one from the Charlestown line to Alstead and close both schools. It would be cheaper to run to Charlestown, if Charlestown had the school buildings, because the same bus could bring in many of the Charlestown children, also some of the Langdon children, thus cutting down the expense for Acworth. This plan would still provide high school transportation, but it would take all the schools out of Acworth. There are only a few children left in the Derry Hill district, and if the roads are good, a small car would bring them in to the bus in Charlestown. I believe, also, the children from Black North could be brought to that bus.

I hope nothing as radical as that would have to come to pass, but the larger towns are establishing salary schedules so much higher than the rural towns can pay and the legislature has failed to raise funds during the last few years to anywhere meet their obligation to the rural districts, together with the fact that very few girls are attending normal schools and none of them seem willing to prepare to teach rural schools, that some rural districts are bound to find themselves without teachers.

The expenses of school in Acworth have already increased rapidly, as can be determined by studying the report of 1931-32 and the report of this year. In 1931-32 Acworth had five rural schools with the teachers' salaries averaging \$754.00 This year it has two schools with an average salary of \$1200.00. Wood then cost \$9.00 a cord, now \$18.00. I am giving a table to compare other items.

	1931-32	1944-45	Estimated 1945-46
Officers' salaries	\$ 92.00	\$155.00	\$190.00
Superintendent's salary	234.61	133.32	185.00

Expenses of Adm.	17.00	44.76	40.00
Text books	158.17	63.68	60.00
Scholars' supplies	179.38	92.61	80.00
Other expenses of instruc.	49.02	10.15	15.00
Flags	7.59	none	5.00
Janitors' services	239.45	380.00	300.00
Minor repairs	287.52	86.75	100.00
Health supervision	151.07	121.20	96.31
Insurance	75.00	none	136.07
Alterations of buildings	129.50	none	none
New equipment	63.07	25.00	none
Per capita tax	194.00	196.00	220.00
Other special activities	10.00	10.50	28.00

The above table does not cover the expenses of high school. In 1931 the State ran a high school in Acworth and the expense to the District was only \$797.44. The tuition last year of the seventh and eighth grade and high school was \$2,582.91 and estimated for this year as \$2,822.00. Transportation in 1931 was \$1,076.00. Last year it was \$3,809.00 and this year it is estimated at \$4,245.00.

I have always appreciated the friendliness, help and co-operation of the Acworth School Board and the Acworth citizens.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER L. MASON,  
Superintendent of Schools

#### STATISTICAL REPORT, 1944-45

Number of teachers	2
Number of pupils registered	44
Percent of attendance	90.69
Cases of tardiness	33
School board meetings	10
Visits by board members	5
Visits by superintendent	32
Visits by citizens	68

Pupils not absent a half day

Lois Grant, fourth grade

Mary Louise Pocket, sixth grade

Mary Jane Feary, sixth grade

Mary A. Legassey, sixth grade

### SCHOOL NURSE'S REPORT

January 1, 1945 to January 1, 1946

Number of school visits 28

Number of home visits 12

Number of pupils inspected 41

Defects found	No. cases	Defects corrected
Faulty nutrition	4 (2 obese)	
Vision	4	2
Nervous habits	4	2 improved
Skin infection	1	1
Pediculosis	2	2
Poor posture	4	4 improved
Teeth	5	21 at school clinic
Tonsils	7	3 by operation
Speech	2	
Unvaccinated	5	3

#### Cases of communicable diseases

Mumps 10

Scarlet fever 2

Infected throat 7

Whooping cough 2

June 18, 1945 annual school dental clinic under direction of Dr. Irving Crandall.

Children were accompanied by nurse to ear clinic, Hand-over for X Ray treatments.

Submitted by,

ZEPHYRINE L. HASHAM



# VITAL STATISTICS

REGISTERED IN THE

TOWN OF

ACWORTH, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 31, 1945

Births registered in the Town of Acworth, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1945.

Date	Place of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Sex		Color	Name of Father	Maiden Name Mother	Residence of Parents
			No Child	No Child				
Jan 8	Worcester Mass	Harry Duane Kemp	M	1	All White	Harry D Kemp	Edith Bishop	E Acworth N H
March 29	Bellows Falls Vt	Freemond B Champney Jr	M	2	All White	Freemond B Champney	Eleanor G Corcoran	S Acworth N H
Sept 4	Bellows Falls Vt	Linda Zoe Bascom	F	1	All White	Harvey E Bascom	Edith M Landers	Acworth N H
Sept 30	Hanover N H	Cheryl Ann LeMienx	F	1	All White	Walter F LeMienx	Hariett M Meader	White River Jet Vt
Oct 18	Bellows Falls Vt	James Michael McGrotty	M	5	All White	James W McGrotty	Geneva M Raymond	Acworth N H

Marriages registered in the Town of Acworth, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1945.

Date	Place of Marriage	Name of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each	Age	Color	Occupation of Each	Birthplace of Each
July 4	Manchester N H	Harold Norris Lufkin Dorothy May Bellefeville	Acworth N H Manchester N H	23 17		U S Soldier Student	Acworth N H Tunbridge Vt
July 15	Acworth N H	Morris Shearl Ring Jr Gladys Norma Murdough	Acworth N H Charlestown N H	22 19		U S Army Nurse	Newport N H Keene N H
Aug 29	Acworth N H	Maynard C Persons Isabel Vinton Erwin	Springfield Vt Acworth N H	28 24	White	Machinist Housewife	Middlebury Vt Holland Vt
Sept 30	Acworth N H	Kenneth Louis Roy Mabel Annie Henderson	Acworth N H Bellows Falls Vt	28 18	All white	Farmer Stitcher	Stratford Conn Acworth N H
Oct 11	Acworth N H	Laurence Wilbur Sherwin Mary Viola Pervette	Acworth N H N Wilkesboro N C	23 18		U S Army Housekeeper	Charlestown N H N Wilkesboro N C
Nov 18	Troy N H	James Forrest Knight Marguerite Ethel Patria	Acworth N H Troy N H	31 18		Box Shop At Home	Acworth N H Troy N H

Deaths registered in the Town of Acworth, N. H., for the year ending December 31, 1945.

Date 1945	Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Years			Place of Birth	Sex	Color	Condition	Occupation
			Years	Months	Days					
Jan 9	Worcester Mass	Harry Duane Kemp			1	Worcester Mass	M	S		
Feb 22	Unity N H	Alonzo B Chatterton	72	4	20	Acworth N H	M	S		
March 14	Acworth N H	Fannie Isabel Huestis	72		11	Lyndeboro N H	F	M		
May 22	Claremont N H	Alice M Burnham	66			Plainfield N H	F	W	Housewife	
June 6	Keene N H	Minnie Esell Chatterton	77	3	10	Acworth N H	F	S	Retired Teacher	
Oct 29	Acworth N H	Kalle Kivi	74	10	18	Finland	M	S	Wood Chopper	
Nov 7	Claremont N H	Frank J Dehling	66	11	27	Northport L I N Y	M	M	Painter	

I hereby certify that the above returns of births, marriages and deaths are correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

LEON F. NEWTON, Town Clerk



