
**ANNUAL
REPORTS**

of the town of

Bennington

NEW HAMPSHIRE



For the Year Ending

DECEMBER 31, 1948

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
OF THE TOWN OF

BENNINGTON

N e w H a m p s h i r e

TOGETHER WITH THE
REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICERS

FOR THE
Year Ending December 31, 1948

AND THE
Vital Statistics For The Year 1948

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

GEORGE E. EDWARDS

Selectmen

HORTON R. GLYNN LAURENCE J. PARKER
HARRY W. BROWN

Town Clerk

DONALD A. POWERS

Town Treasurer

ARTHUR F. BELL

Road Agent

HERBERT A. CURTIS

Tax Collector

JAMES H. BALCH

Library Trustees

HOWARD C. CHASE RUTH M. CODY
PHILIP E. KNOWLES

Superintendent of Water Works

J. FRED MILES

Fire Wardens

IVON CLOUGH PAUL G. TRAXLER
JOHN D. ARMSTRONG

Forest Fire Warden

HENRY W. WILSON

Supervisors of Check-Lists

HENRY W. WILSON PHILIP E. KNOWLES
LEON E. MESSER

Ballot Inspectors

HERBERT A. CURTIS J. FRED MILES
WILFRED LEVESQUE

Trustees of Trust Funds

PHILIP E. KNOWLES 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 LAURENCE J. PARKER
HARRY W. BROWN

Constable

EDWARD E. FRENCH

Special Police

EDWARD E. FRENCH, *Chief*

PAUL G. TRAXLER

STEVE YOKOVAKIS

FRED A. HUGRON

Trustees of Evergreen Cemetery

HARRY W. BROWN

GEORGIETTA BRYER

HENRY W. WILSON

Trustees of Sunnyside Cemetery

JOHN P. WESTON

HENRY W. WILSON

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

ERNEST WILSON

LAURENCE J. PARKER

Scaler of Weights and Measures

FRED A. KNIGHT

Auditors

MAURICE C. NEWTON

HENRY M. WHITNEY

Dog Constable

EDWARD E. FRENCH

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Bennington on Tuesday, the eighth 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 vote to accept State Aid for Class V Roads and raise and appropriate money for same.
5. To see if the Town will vote to 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 the Monadnock Region of Southern New Hampshire.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 to tar Starrett Row, Eaton Avenue and Beach Road at Lake Whittemore.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to buy 100 feet 2½" hose and 100 ft. 1½" hose.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to have a complete overhaul job done on No. 1 Fire Engine.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise the pay of Firemen from 75c per hour to \$1.00 per hour.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to finish the Town Hall toilet job.

13. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the report of the Committee for the Memorial for the Veterans of World War II and raise and appropriate money for the same.

14. To see if the Town will vote to rescind Article 15 of the Town Warrant of last year and vote to move the so-called Soldiers' Monument from its present location to a suitable location near the Sons of Veterans Hall, and raise and appropriate money for the same or take any other action thereon.

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$1000.00 to continue with the Sidewalk construction.

16. To see what action the Town will take about revising the By-Laws of the Town Hall.

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

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

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

HORTON R. GLYNN,
LAURENCE J. PARKER,
HARRY W. BROWN,

Selectmen of Bennington.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

HORTON R. GLYNN,
LAURENCE J. PARKER,
HARRY W. BROWN,

Selectmen of Bennington.

B U D G E T

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1948	Estimated Revenue Ensiung Year 1949
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From State:		
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$498.17	\$498.17
Railroad Tax	151.46	100.00
Savings Bank Tax	127.17	127.17
Highway Dept.	37.20	
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	170.00	
Bounties	41.50	105.50
From Local Sources Except Taxes:		
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	155.00	155.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	34.48	34.48
Income of Departments:		
(a) Driveways	104.00	
(b) Highway, including rental of equipment	2,632.00	2,000.00
(c) Dog Licenses	199.88	190.00
(c) Filing Fees	22.00	22.00
(d) Westons Bridge and Road	261.15	
Town of Sharon (Forest Fire)	750.83	
Income from Municipally owned Utilities:		
(a) Water Departments	2,576.09	2,100.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,100.64	800.00
Blue Line Express (Tractor)	18.00	
Sale of Town Property	1,810.00	
Northeast Pet. Co. (Rebate)	2.30	
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:		
(a) Poll Taxes — Regular @ \$2	516.00	500.00
Total Revenues From All Sources	\$11,207.87	\$6,630.32
Except Property Taxes	\$38,500.06	
Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes		\$41,123.13
Total Revenues	\$49,707.93	\$47,755.45

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PURPOSE OF EXPENDITURES

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1948	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1949
Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,290.00	\$1,290.00
Election and Registration Expenses	198.65	100 00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,013.67	800.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Buildings	1,155.26	1,100.00
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police Department	262.80	500.00
Fire Department	1,712.16	1,100.00
Bounties	105.50	50.00
Health:		
Health Department, including hospitals	240.60	400.00
Vital Statistics	22.25	22.25
Highways and Bridges:		
Tarring	668.64	700.00
Town Maintenance: Summer	2,667.06	2,600.00
Town Maintenance: Winter	1,947.65	1,500.00
Street Lighting	1,123.20	1,223.20
General Expenses of Highway Department	1,433.27	1,000.00
Libraries:		
Libraries: Special App.	300.000	
Regular App.	200.000	200.00
Public Welfare:		
Town Poor	310.37	1,500.00
Old Age Assistance	839.68	1,800.00
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	125.00	200.00
Recreation:		
Playground	579.57	1,000.00
Parks and Playgrounds, incl. band concerts	98.90	100.00

Public Service Enterprises:

Lake App.	420.12	
Municipally owned Water and Electric Utilities	3,489.48	2,000.00
Cemeteries	158.40	15.00
Auto Permits	135.50	135.50
Monadnock Region	100.00	113.00

Unclassified

Hooper Road	502.85	
Taxes Bought by Town	213.62	100.00

Interest:

On Long Term Notes	269.60	206.10
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Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:

Highways and Bridges:

Weston Bridge	201.40	
State Aid Construction — Town's Share, Class V	199.53	200.40
Water Works Construction	1,369.25	
Sidewalk Construction	2,882.74	1,000.00
Fire Dept. App.	565.00	1,500.00
Truck App.	784.35	
Town Hall Toilets		400.00

Payment on Principal of Debt:

Long Term Notes	1,900.00	1,900.00
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Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

County Taxes		5,885.81	6,500.00
School Taxes	15,722.87		
Dog Tax	203.61	15,926.48	16,500.00

Total Expenditures		<u>\$51,298.36</u>	<u>\$47,755.45</u>
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SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

Land and Buildings	\$422,665.00
Growing Wood and Timber	17,825.00
Electric Plants	28,000.00
Horses, 22	1,950.00
Cows, 56	5,495.00
Other Neat Stock, 8	495.00
Sheep and Goats ,2	30.00
Fowls, 4163	6,075.00
Vehicles, 3	1,500.00
Portable Mills, 2	1,250.00
Wood, Lumber, Etc.	4,500.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks, 10	1,245.00
Stock in Trade	269,150.00
Mills and Machinery	370,400.00
Total	\$1,130,580.00

AMOUNT OF TAXES AND RATES

Poll Taxes, 273 at \$2.00	\$546.00
Average rate of taxation per one hundred dollars valuation for all purposes	\$3.50
Amount of property valuation exempted to soldiers	\$22,300.00
Number of inventories sent out	236
Number of inventories returned	133

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.

HORTON R. GLYNN,
LAURENCE J. PARKER,
HARRY W. BROWN,

Selectmen of Bennington.

LIST OF APPROPRIATIONS

1948

Town officers' salaries	\$1,220.00
Town officers' expenses	583.15
Election and registration expenses	200.00
Town hall and buildings	1,200.00
Police department	250.00
Fire department	1,050.00
Health department	500.00
Vital statistics	.25
Pipe line	850.00
Town road aid	199.53
Town maintenance	3,000.00
Monadnock Region	100.00
Auto permits	125.00
Town construction: Hooper road	500.00
Tarring	1,000.00
Street lighting,	1,193.56
General expenses of highway department	1,500.00
Sidewalk construction	1,650.00
Fire pump	400.00
Construction improvements	997.40
Hose	260.00
Libraries	200.00
Old age assistance	1,000.00
Town poor	500.00
Memorial Day	125.00
Parks and playgrounds	100.00
Water and electric utilities	2,500.00
Cemeteries	75.00
Special library	300.00
Soldiers' Monument	500.00
Memorial: Veterans	1,000.00

Interest	315.00
Payments on principal of debt	1,900.00
County tax	5,885.81
School tax	12,499.00
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Total town and school appropriations	\$43,678.70

Less: Estimated Revenue and Credits:

Interest and dividend tax	\$495.46
Railroad tax	138.43
Savings Bank tax	168.74
Motor vehicle permit fees	750.00
Rent of town property	225.00
Water and electric departments	1,977.77
Forest fires	12.99
Income from tractor and truck	500.00
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Total revenues and credits	\$4,268.39
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	\$39,410.31
Plus overlay	705.99
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Net amount to be raised by taxation	\$40,116.30
Less: Poll Taxes at \$2.00, 273	\$546.00
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	\$546.00
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Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is to be figured	\$39,570.30

Taxes to be committed to Collector:	
Property taxes	\$39,570.30
Poll taxes at \$2.00	546.00
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Total taxes to be committed	\$40,116.30
Tax Rate:	
\$3.50 per \$100.00.	

CERTIFICATE

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February 7, 1949.

HORTON GLYNN,
LAURENCE J. PARKER,
HARRY W. BROWN,

Selectmen of Bennington.

FINANCIAL REPORT

of the
Town of Bennington
in Hillsborough County
for the
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1948

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.

February 7, 1949.

HC VNN,
LA RR,
HARRY W. BR

Selectmen

ARTHUR F. BELL, *Treasurer.*

ASSETS

Cash:	
In hands of treasurer	\$9,509.03
Accounts due to the town:	
Due from State:	
Bounties	105.50
Other bills due town:	
Sunnyside Cemetery	158.40
Unredeemed Taxes:	
Levy of 1947	24.70
Tax sale, 1947	41.00

Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1948	509.78
Levy of 1947	9.47
Levy of 1946	13.51
Previous years	25.38

Total Assets \$10,396.97

Net Debt 1,979.80

Grand Total \$12,376.77

Debt, December 31, 1947 6,547.96

Debt, December 31, 1948 1,979.80

Decrease of Debt, \$4,568.16

Increase of debt due to water works and bridge.

LIABILITIES
TOWN OF

Accounts Owed by the Town

Bills outstanding (Col. Internal Rev.) \$19.30

Unexpended Balance of

Special Appropriations:

Water Works 1,911.12

Truck 41.91

Town hall toilet 500.00

Soldiers Monument 500.00

Due to Fire Co. Appro. 85.00

Due to Playgrounds

W. M. No. 2 Memorial 420.43

Due to School District:

Dog licenses 199.98

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Balance of Appropriation, 1948	1,499.00
Balance of Appropriation, 1947	500.13
Outstanding Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Taxes:	
Water Works	4,000.00
Bridge	2,700.00
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Total Liabilities	\$12,376.77
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Grand Total	\$12,376.77

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Property taxes	\$38,500.06
Poll taxes	488.00

Total current year's taxes collected
and remitted \$38,988.06

Property taxes, previous years	602.32
Poll taxes, previous years, \$2.00	28.00
Interest received on taxes	34.48

From State:

State Highway Dept.	37.20
Interest and dividend tax	498.17
Railroad tax	151.46
Savings bank tax	127.17
Bounties	41.50
Reimbursement, a c Old Age assistance	170.00

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog licenses	199.88	
Business licenses and permits	22.00	
Rent of town hall	155.00	
Income from Water Works	2,576.09	
Registration of motor vehicles, 1947 permits	1,100.64	
		5,079.11

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Income from tractor	274.50	
Income from truck	2,357.50	
Sale of Piano	10.00	
Northeast Pet. Co., rebate	2.30	
Philip Knowles, driveway	17.00	
Blue Line Express	18.00	
Dan Dunbar, driveway	7.00	
Roxbury Neighborhood Ass'on road	27.50	
Roxbury Neighborhood Ass'on, bridge	79.55	
Ann Kimball, bridge	52.05	
Lillian Warner, bridge	52.05	
Caroline Sylvester, driveway	10.00	
Amy Doe, driveway	34.00	
Town of Sharon, forest fire	750.83	
Gerda Franko, bridge	50.00	
Roscoe Wilbur, Favor Farm	1,800.00	
William Knazos, driveway	36.00	
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Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue		\$5,578.28
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		\$50,310.25
Cash on hand January 1, 1948		10,497.14
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Grand Total		\$60,807.39

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town officers' salaries	\$1,290.00
Town officers' expenses	1,013.67
Election and registration expenses	198.65
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	1,155.26

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	262.80
Fire department, inc. forest fires	1,712.16
Bounties	105.50

Health:

Health dept., inc. hospitals	240.60
Vital Statistics	22.25

Highways and Bridges:

Tarring	668.64
Town maintenance, Summer	2,667.06
Town maintenance, Winter	1,947.65
Street lighting and sprinkling	1,123.20
General expenses of highway dept.	1,433.27

Libraries:

Special	300.00
Libraries	200.00

Public Welfare:

Old age assistance	839.68
Town poor	310.37

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day and Veterans' Assoc.	125.00
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Recreation:

Play grounds appro.	579.57
Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts	98.90

Public Service Enterprises:

Lake appro.	420.12
Appro's to water and elec. utilities	3,489.48
Monadnock Region	100.00
Cemeteries, including hearse hire	158.40
Auto permits	135.50

Unclassified:

Hooper road	502.85
Taxes bought by town	213.62

Interest:

Paid on long term notes	269.60
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Total Interest Payments 269.60 \$269.60

Outlay for New Construction and
Permanent Improvements:

Highways and Bridges— State Aid construction, Class V	199.53
Highways and Bridges— Town construction, Westons	201.40
Truck	784.35
Water Works construction, new	1,369.25
Sidewalk construction	2,882.74
New equipment, fire	565.00

Total Outlay Payments 6,002.27 6,002.27

Indebtedness:

Payments on long term notes	\$1,900.00	
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Total Indebtedness Payment		1,900.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
Taxes paid to County	5,885.81	
Payments to School Districts		
Appropriations	\$15,722.87	
Dog Licenses	203.61	
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	15,926.48	
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Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		\$21,812.29
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Total Payments for all Purposes		51,298.36
Cash on hand December 31, 1948		9,509.03
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Grand Total		\$60,807.39

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

DESCRIPTION	VALUE
Town hall, lands and buildings	\$15,000.00
Furniture and equipment	1,500.00
Libraries, lands and buildings	10,000.00
Furniture and equipment	3,000.00
Police department, lands and buildings	400.00
Equipment	100.00
Fire Department, equipment	9,000.00
Highway Department, lands and buildings	3,000.00
Equipment	10,000.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	1,100.00
Water Supply	35,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	45,000.00
Equipment	8,000.00
Total	\$141,100.00

AUDITORS' REPORT

We have examined the reports and accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Tax Collector, Superintendent of Water Works, Road Agent, Trustees of Trust Funds, Library Trustees, Cemeteries, and Town Clerk. With the exception of two small errors which have been rectified we found all books and accounts to be correct. All accounts have been arranged in accordance with the uniform classification of the Tax Commission.

HENRY M. WHITNEY,
MAURICE C. NEWTON,

Auditors.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Selectmen of Bennington, N. H.
January 25, 1949.

January 1, 1948 through December 31, 1948

Dog Licenses	\$225.35	
Clerk's fees	\$17.60	
Dog book and tags	7.87	
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	25.47	
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		\$199.88
Amount turned in to treasurer for Dog Tax		\$199.88
Filing Fees		22.00
Auto Tax		1,100.64
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Total paid to treasurer		\$1,322.52

DON A. POWERS, *Town Clerk.*

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1948 Levy

Warrant, Property	\$39,570.60
Added Taxes	113.75
Polls	546.00
Added Polls	20.00
Interest	9.54
Over Turn in	1.10
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	\$40,260.99

Paid Treasurer

Property	\$38,500.06
Polls	488.00
Uncollected Property	509.78
Uncollected Polls	78.00
Discount allowed	675.61
Interest	9.54
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	\$40,260.99

JAMES H. BALCH, *Tax Collector.*

1948 Property	\$39,684.35
1948 Polls	566.00
1948 Interest	9.54
1948 Over turn in	1.10
1947 Property	494.76
1947 Polls 16 - 2 added	36.00
1947 Interest	23.79
1946 Property	20.26

1946	Polls	10.00
1946	Interest	1.15
1945	Property	12.88
1945	Polls	5.00
1944	Property	7.50
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		\$40,872.33
1948	Paid Treasurer Property	\$38,500.06
	Polls	488.00
	Interest	9.54
	Discount	675.61
	Uncollected Property	509.78
	Uncollected Polls	52.00
	Abated Polls	26.00
1947	Property	485.29
	Polls	24.00
	Interest	23.79
	Uncollected Property	9.47
	Uncollected Polls	12.00
1946	Property — Paid Treasurer	6.75
	Polls — Paid Treasurer	4.00
	Interest — Paid Treasurer	1.15
	Uncollected Property	13.51
	Uncollected Polls	6.00
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		\$31.41
1945	Property Uncollected	\$12.88
	Polls Uncollected	5.00
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		\$17.88
1944	Property Uncollected	\$7.50
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	Total Credit	\$40,872.33
	Total Debit	\$40,872.33

JAMES H. BALCH, *Tax Collector.*

Total Taxes Uncollected

1944

Property

1945

Otis Wilbur	\$7.50	\$7.50
Robert J. Handy (Paid \$4.)	\$5.38	
Otis Wilbur	7.50	
Isabell Handy, Poll	5.00	17.88
Total to be collected		13.88

1946

Robert J. Handy	\$10.13	
Eugene Mason	3.38	
Total Property to be coll.	\$13.51	\$13.51
Isabel Handy, Poll	\$2.00	
Eugene Mason, Poll	2.00	
Mrs. Eugene Mason, Poll	2.00	
	\$6.00	\$6.00
Total to be collected		\$19.51

1947

Robert J. Handy, Property	\$4.98	
Lorenzo Smith, Property	4.49	
		\$9.47
Percy Handy, Poll	\$2.00	
Walter Burrows, Jr., Poll	2.00	
Delphena Burrows, Poll	2.00	
Katherine Cashion, Poll	2.00	

Jennette Connerly, Poll	2.00	
Violet Fraser, Poll	2.00	\$12.00
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Total to be collected		\$21.47

1948

Property		\$509.78
Polls		78.00
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		\$587.78
Abated Polls		26.00
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Total to be collected		\$561.78

Uncollected 1948 Property Taxes

Mildred Atkinson		\$105.00
Stephen Chase		54.25
Madoline Chase		70.00
Charlie Cole		10.50
Roy Davidson		59.50
John Lindsay,	Paid —	21.00
Henry Whitney		12.25
Robert J. Handy		10.50
Warren Perkins		38.50
Lorenzo Smith		3.15
Carrie Smith		17.50
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		\$402.15
		\$402.15

Non Resident

Harry A. Dorr	\$24.50
Rolena Davis	21.00

Joseph Neverett	61.25	
Fred Mallett	.88	
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	\$107.63	\$107.63
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		\$509.78

1948 Uncollected Polls

James Atkinson	Paid—	\$2.00
Walter Burrows, Jr.		2.00
Delphena Burrows		2.00
Dorothy Dunbar		2.00
Dan Dunbar		2.00
Joseph Davys		2.00
Mrs. Joseph Davys		2.00
John Donnaly		2.00
Robert Handy		2.00
Percy Handy		2.00
Charles A. Lavender		2.00
Mrs. Charles A. Lavendar		2.00
Dorothy Nazer		2.00
Mabel Robbins		2.00
Arthur Sheldon		2.00
Lorenzo Smith		2.00
Carrie Smith		2.00
George Sullivan	Paid —	2.00
Lena Sullivan		2.00
Theodore Voss		2.00
Mrs. Theordore Voss		2.00
Walter Varien		2.00
Grace Varien		2.00
Marjorie Travis		2.00
Isabelle Handy		2.00
Mildred Atkinson	Paid—	2.00

Abated

Elizabeth Bell, over age	2.00	
Kate Cashion, over age	2.00	
Mary J. Cody, over age	2.00	
Mary J. Miles, over age	2.00	
Patrick J. Shea, over age	2.00	
Louis Sylvester, over age	2.00	
Mrs. William Chute, not of age	2.00	
Verna Paige, not of age	2.00	
Joseph LaBlanc, Soldier	2.00	
Arthur Jones, paid in Antrim	2.00	
Dorothy Jones, paid in Antrim	2.00	
George Sargent, paid in Conn.	2.00	
Georgia Sargent, paid in Conn.	2.00	
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		\$78.00
Abatements		26.00
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		\$52.00

JAMES H. BALCH, *Tax Collector.*

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Payments

DETAIL No. 1. Town Officers' Salaries

Horton R. Glynn, selectman	\$250.00
Laurence J. Parker, selectman	250.00
Harry W. Brown, selectman	250.00
James H. Balch, tax collector	187.50
Arthur F. Bell, treasurer	187.50
Donald A. Powers, town clerk	75.00
Edward French, dog constable	20.00
Frederika Edwards, trustee of trust funds	15.00
Philip Knowles, supervisors	35.00
Edward Black, auditor	10.00
Maurice Newton, supervisor	10.00
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	\$1,290.00

DETAIL No. 2. Town Officers' Expenses

John R. Spring, Wilbur case	\$300.00
Arthur F. Bell, expenses	10.00
Harry W. Brown, expenses	10.00
Laurence J. Parker, expenses	50.00
Horton R. Glynn, expenses	12.00
Ruth Fox, recording and warrants	42.00
New Hampshire Water Works Ass'n., dues	5.00
W. J. Boisclair, registrar	.10
J. H. Lindsay, car	6.00
Donat Corriveau, deeds and mortgages	12.92
New Hampshire Assessors Ass'n., dues	2.00

Henry W. Wilson, town officers' bonds	119.10
Harry W. Brown, stamps	15.00
Maxwell Press, reports	288.33
Contoocook Valley Tel. Co.,	45.51
James A. Balch, expenses	33.01
J. Fred Miles, ballot expenses	5.00
Chas. R. Hardy, dues, tax collector	2.00
Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies	38.00
Sims Press, printing	7.50
Sargent Brothers, printing	10.20
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Total	\$1,013.67

DETAIL No. 3. Election and Registration

Maxwell Press, check-lists	\$62.30
J. Fred Miles, ballot expenses	10.00
Frederika Edwards, dinners	15.00
Alfred Cuddemi,	14.35
Mary K. Wilson, dinners and suppers	25.00
Herbert Curtis, ballot insp.	15.00
Leon Messer, supervisor	35.00
Henry Wilson, supervisor	7.00
John P. Weston, moderator	15.00
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Total	\$198.65

DETAIL No. 4. Town Hall

Henry Wilson, insurance	\$198.19
Clough's Garage, repairs	1.70
Monadnock Lumber Co., supplies	3.20
Lester Badger, piano	60.00
Howard Chase, tuning piano	3.50

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Harlan Chase, labor	3.20
Alice Glynn, labor	12.00
Alfred Perry, repairs, roof	38.82
Edward Richardson, sawing wood	5.60
Hafeli Co., coal	316.63
Patrick Cashion, trucking	1.50
A. F. Edmunds, supplies	10.71
Public Service Co.	76.90
Paul Traxler, Janitor and supplies	395.11
David Traxler, labor	23.20
Chas. Lindsay, trucking	5.00
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Total	\$1,155.26

DETAIL No. 5. Police Department

Edward French, chief	\$137.55
Henry Wilson, insurance	18.00
Fred Hugron, special police	84.75
Steve Yokovokis, special police	6.00
Paul Traxler, special police	16.50
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Total	\$262.80

DETAIL No. 6. Fire Department

New Hampshire Firemens' Ass'n.	29.00
L. J. Parker, Sharon forest fire	750.83
Ivon Clough, fire warden	20.00
Paul Traxler, fire warden and expenses	22.25
John Armstrong, fire warden and expenses	36.85
Daniel Traxler, labor	2.25
Public Service Co., lights	13.00
P. J. Shea, payroll and fires	377.75

Flanders' Garage, supplies	309.35
James Coffin, supplies	44.45
Derby's, supplies	6.40
Fred Hugron, labor	2.25
Newhalls' Garage, supplies	2.77
Henry Wilson, insurance	17.20
Henry Wilson, forest fire	29.27
Bennington Garage, supplies	48.54
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Total	\$1,712.16

DETAIL No. 7. Automobile Permits

Donald Powers, auto permits	\$135.50
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DETAIL No. 8. Bounties

Fred Nazer, 34 heads	\$17.00
George Weston, 8 heads	4.00
Horton Glynn, 24 heads	12.00
Herbert Curtis, 13 heads	6.50
P. J. Warren, 29 heads	14.50
George Whittemore, 46 heads	23.00
L. J. Parker, 10 heads	5.00
Francis Daveys, 22 heads	11.00
L. W. Smith, 6 heads	3.00
Milton Burke, 10 heads	5.00
Harry W. Brown, 7 heads	3.50
John Bryer, 2 heads	1.00
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Total	\$105.50

DETAIL No. 9

Monadnock Region	\$100.00
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DETAIL No. 10. Health Department

Stanley Dryer, cleaning dump	\$77.00
Herbert Curtis, cleaning dump	107.60
Henry Wilson, health officer and expenses	27.00
L. J. Parker, expenses	4.00
H. A. Varnum, cleaning dump	25.00
Total	<hr/> \$240.60

DETAIL No. 11. Vital Statistics

Donald Powers, recording	\$22.25
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DETAIL No. 12. Town Maintenance

Summer

Herbert A. Curtis, payrolls	\$2,374.66
Collector Internal Revenue, withholding tax	117.10
Arthur Whitcomb, patch	63.45
L. J. Parker, shovel	89.00
Gladys Newhall, truck	17.50
Bennington Garage, truck	4.00
C. O. Rockwell, pipe	1.35
Total	<hr/> \$2,667.06

DETAIL No. 12. Town Maintenance

Winter

Herbert A. Curtis, payrolls	\$1,868.39
Coolidge & Edmunds, supplies	9.26
Horton Glynn, sanding	70.00
Total	<hr/> \$1,947.65

DETAIL No. 13. Lake Appropriation

Herbert Curtis,	\$62.90
Ralph Whittemore, float	357.22
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Total	\$420.12

DETAIL No. 14

Trimont Bituminous Tar Co., tar	\$668.64
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DETAIL No. 15. Street Lighting

Street lighting	\$1,123.20
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DETAIL No. 16. General Expenses

Public Service Co., lights	\$13.06
Chas. Lindsay, gas, oil and repairs	727.86
Ray Road Equipment, supplies	7.88
Paul Chapman, cutting logs, dump	49.60
Oscar Clark, wiring bridge	52.09
Henry Wilson, insurance	152.35
Flanders' Garage, supplies	77.57
New England Petroleum, oil	115.24
Steve Chase, cement	2.40
Herbert Wilson, pipe	24.00
Clarence Edmunds, lock	6.75
Ralph Whittemore, repairs, town scales	151.97
Herbert Curtis, repairs, lake road	27.50
Philip Knowles, care, town clock	25.00
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Total	\$1,433.27

DETAIL No. 17. Hooper Road

Herbert A. Curtis, payrolls	\$502.85
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DETAIL No. 18. Library

Special library appropriation	\$300.00
Regular library appropriation	200.00
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Total	\$500.00

DETAIL No. 19. Old Age Assistance

State of New Hampshire	\$839.68
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DETAIL No. 20. Town Poor

Bennington Cash Market	\$155.30
John Davey, wood	6.00
Clarence Edmunds, supplies	9.82
Margaret Sawyer, rent	33.00
J. B. Vaillaincourt, oil	51.95
Henry Wilson, overseer of poor	50.00
L. J. Parker, expense, telephone	3.25
A. F. Edmunds, feeding tramps	1.05
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Total	\$310.37

DETAIL No. 21. Memorial Day

Milan Parker, appropriation	\$125.00
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DETAIL No. 22. Playgrounds

Frank Wheeler, lights	\$158.57
Maurice Blodgette, deeds	10.00
C. F. Johnson, bulldozer	151.00
H. A. Varnum, bulldozer	260.00
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Total	\$579.57

DETAIL No. 23. Parks and Playgrounds

Flanders' Garage, oil	.40
Paul Traxler, labor	42.10
David Traxler, labor	56.40
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Total	\$98.90

DETAIL No. 24. Water Works

J. Fred Miles, labor	\$1,165.89
Cogswell Water Works, thawing pipes	273.00
Maurice Newton, cutting brush	38.25
Public Service Co., power	495.00
Steve Yokovakis, labor	32.60
Costos Fachos, labor	30.80
Francis Ayer, labor	5.00
E. H. Edwards, labor	267.23
Chas. Davidson, labor	4.40
Arthur E. Harrison, labor	6.00
Arthur W. Harrison, labor	52.80
Huckins Oil Co.,	88.35
Johnson Barker Webb, supplies	10.27
Herbert Curtis, labor	109.40
C. O. Rockwell, pipe	6.00
Flanders' Garage, labor	14.75
C. W. Edmunds, supplies	16.50
Leon Messer, labor	12.60
Peterborough Water Works, supplies	29.50
Ovil B. Pierce, supplies	277.08
Prescott & Sons, supplies	544.50
South Western Express, express	9.56
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Total	\$3,489.48

DETAIL No. 25. Cemetery

Herbert Curtis, labor	\$51.40
Henry Wilson, insurance	7.00
Walter Smith, labor	100.00
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Total	\$158.40

DETAIL No. 26. Taxes Bought By Town

James H. Balch, taxes	\$213.62
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DETAIL No. 27. Interest

First National Bank, Peterboro, bridge notes	\$69.60
Hillsboro Guaranty Savings, Hillsboro, water notes	200.00
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Total	\$269.60

DETAIL No. 28. Class V Construction

State of New Hampshire, appropriation	\$199.53
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DETAIL No. 29. Weston Bridge

Herbert A. Curtis, labor	\$128.70
L. J. Parker, stringers	18.10
Max Israel, plank	54.60
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Total	\$201.40

DETAIL No. 30. Sidewalks

E. H. Edwards, labor and material	\$2,334.74
Herbert Curtis, labor and truck	548.00
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Total	\$2,882.74

DETAIL No. 31. Balance Truck Appropriation

Malcolm French, wing	\$150.00
R. C. Hazelton, plow	605.50
Ray Road Equipment, supplies	28.85
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Total	\$784.35

DETAIL No. 32. New Equipment

James A. Coffin, forest fire pump and hose	\$565.00
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DETAIL No. 33. Payments on Long Term Notes

Hillsboro Guaranty Savings Bank, water note	\$1,000.00
First National Bank, Peterboro, bridge note	900.00
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Total	\$1,900.00

DETAIL No. 34. New Water Works

E. H. Edwards, labor	\$1,155.68
L. J. Parker, shovel	68.00
J. Fred Miles, labor	15.00
Herbert A. Curtis, labor	49.88
Ross Roberts, supplies	31.49
H. R. Prescott, supplies	49.20
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Total	\$1,369.25

DETAIL No. 35. County Tax

County Treasurer	\$5,885.81
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DETAIL No. 36. School District

Mary K. Wilson, treasurer, dog tax	\$203.61
Mary K. Wilson, appropriation	15,722.87
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Total	\$15,926.48

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REPORT OF EVERGREEN CEMETERY

1948

Town

Cash on hand	\$17.20
Sale of two lots	10.00

\$27.20

Paid out

April 10, Burlap	\$.20
May 8, Sharpening mower	1.00
May 28, Grass shears	1.75
Nov. 15, Insurance	5.00
Dec. 1, G. M. Bryer	5.00
Cash on hand	14.35

\$27.20

Perpetual Care

Cash on hand	\$6.01
Received from trust funds	53.40

\$59.41

Paid out

Nov. 2, Leon Messer	\$40.80
Cash on hand	18.61

\$59.41

GEORGIETTA BRYER

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

of the

TOWN OF BENNINGTON

For Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1948

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

January 20, 1949.

FRIEDRIKA L. EDWARDS,
PHILIP E. KNOWLES,

Trustees.

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Bennington on December 31, 1948

Date of Creation	Trust Funds Purpose of Creation Name of Fund and Donor	How Funds are Invested As Acquired by Chapter 51, Section 23, Revised Laws	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Bal. of Income on hand at beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Bal. of Income on Hand at End of Year
LIBRARY FUNDS								
1923	John D. & Mary C. Butler	New Hampshire Savings Bank	\$1000 00	2	30	20 13	20 43	
1938	Emma E. Gipson	Hillsborough Co. Savings Bank	5000 00	2		100 00	100 00	
1938	Emma E. Gipson	Manchester Savings Bank	5000 00	2 1/4		125 53	125 53	
1938	Emma E. Gipson	Mechanics Savings Bank	5000 00	2 1/4		125 13	125 13	
1938	Emma E. Gipson	New Hampshire Savings Bank	5000 00	2	1 50	100 69	102 19	
1938	Emma E. Gipson	Merrimack County Sav. Bank	5000 00	2 1/4		126 02	126 02	
1938	Emma E. Gipson	Loan & Trust Savings Bank	5000 00	2		100 17	100 17	
1938	Emma E. Gipson	Union Trust Company	5978 66	2	119 56	121 96	241 52	
1938	Mary Butler Jameson EVERGREEN CEMETERY	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	457 50	2		9 14	9 14	
1913	George L. Herrick Cemetery Fund G. L. Herrick Est.	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2	85 70	6 50	6 50	85 70
1914	Mrs. A. D. Green Cemetery Fund Mrs. A. D. Green	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2	73 83	6 23	6 23	73 83
1914	Mrs. C. M. Whitney Cem. Fund Mrs. C. M. Whitney	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2	71 73	6 14	6 14	71 73

1923	Calvin S. Brown, Cem. Fund C. S. Brown Est.	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2	25 46	2 83	2 83	25 46
1928	Cyrus H. Philbrick, Cem. Fund C. H. Philbrick	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2	10 90	4 76	4 76	10 90
1928	Ann F. Philbrick Cem. Fund C. H. Philbrick	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2	5 45	2 38	2 38	5 45
1929	Lizzie M. Holt, Cem. Fund Lizzie M. Holt	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2	15 32	4 86	4 86	15 32
1929	Chas. F. Manahan, Cem. Fund Chas. F. Manahan	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2	5 89	2 38	2 38	5 89
1929	Luke Buritt, Cem. Fund Sarah Buritt	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50 00	2	2 71	1 18	1 18	2 71
1931	John C. Dodge, Cem. Fund Mary F. Leavitt	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2	10 90	4 76	4 76	10 90
1931	Enos Vieno, Cem. Fund Enos Vieno Est.	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2	5 45	2 38	2 38	5 45
1935	Bradford D. Brown, Cem. Fund Georgetta Bryer	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	2 ¹ / ₄	1 26	1 28	1 28	1 26
1939	Ellen C. Brown, Cem. Fund Ellen C. Brown	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00	2 ¹ / ₄	5 04	5 15	5 15	5 04
1940	Walter Wilson, Cem. Fund Mary K. Wilson	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	2 ¹ / ₄	1 36	1 29	1 29	1 36
1942	Sam'l & Jane Dodge, Cem. Fund Nettie Kimball	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	2 ¹ / ₄	1 26	1 28	1 28	1 26
1943	Thomas Wilson, Cem. Fund Margaret Wilson	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	100 00	2	2 00	2 04	2 04	4 04
1946	Lizzie M. Holt, Cem. Fund Lizzie M. Holt	First Nat'l Bank, Peterborough	7933 52					

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1946	MOUNT CALVARY CEMETERY Lawrence W. Flynn, Cem. Fund L. W. Flynn will	Peterborough Savings Bank	125 00	2 1/4	1 82	3 18		5 00
1916	SUNNYSIDE CEMETERY Trustees Trust Funds	Manchester Savings Bank	600 00	2 1/2	63 11	16 68		79 79
1906	Geo. A. Whittemore Cem. Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	300 00	2	84 46	7 78		92 24
1919	Clara R. Whittemore, Cem. Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	100 00	2	25 08	2 55		27 63
1922	Horace Dinsmore, Cem. Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	100 00	2	21 70	2 46		24 16
1923	John D. & Moody Butler, Cem. F.	New Hampshire Savings Bank	225 00	2	48 92	5 56		54 48
1927	Royal V. Knight, Cem. Fund	New Hampshire Savings Bank	200 00	2	23 42	4 51		27 93
1934	Charles F. Burnham, Cem. Fund	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00	2 1/4	11 33	5 80		16 63

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1919	Ann M. Eaton, Cem. Fund	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	100 00	2	2 02	2 04		4 06
1937	Chas H. Kimball, Cem. Fund	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	100 00	2	2 02	2 04		4 06
1939	Sam'l Gilman & Lucinda Dodge, C.F.	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	100 00	2	2 02	2 04		4 06
1940	M. Hayward, N. Jennison, J. Knight	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	200 00	2	4 06	4 08		8 14
1940	Amos A. Martin, Cem. Fund	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	327 85	2	48 65	7 52		56 17
1940	Community Fund	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	200 00	2	30 15	5 20		35 35
1905	Anna M. Woodbury, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2	21 95	5 01		26 96
1906	Helen P. Ramsey, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2	21 95	5 01		26 96
1914	Abram A. Ramsey, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	1766 16	2	74 60	41 64		116 24
1915	C. J. Kimball, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	150 00	2	9 93	3 60		13 53
		C. J. Kimball heirs						

1916	W. S. Carkin, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	392 20	2	35 21	8 31	48 52
1917	W. S. Carkin Augusta W. Gray, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2	4 11	2 34	6 45
1918	W. H. Darrah, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50 00	2	1 58	1 16	2 74
1921	Ed. I. Dodge, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2	8 78	2 44	11 22
1925	Wm. L. Taylor, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2	13 50	2 56	16 06
1928	Harriet Kimball, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50 00	2	3 29	1 10	4 48
1928	David W. Bell, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2	6 12	2 40	8 52
1928	Wm. Keith, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2	6 09	2 40	8 49
1930	Mary Knowles, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00	2	4 25	2 35	6 60
	Philip Knowles						

* Paid Rodney Woodman for flowers.

WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR 1948

Collections

1948 Water tax collected	\$1,969.83
1947 Water tax collected	58.75
Supplies sold	515.51
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Total	\$2,544.09
Paid to town treasurer	\$2,544.09
Water tax uncollected:	
Roy Davidson	\$15.25
Chas. Davidson	3.34
Paul Murray	3.34

J. FRED MILES, *Collector.*

PUMPING STATION REPORT FOR 1948

Number of gallons pumped,	9,049,530	
Number of hours,	1,092	
Cost of power,		\$495.00
Cost of attendance		\$149.00

J. FRED MILES, *Supt. of Water Dept.*

TOWN HALL REPORT

Month	Rent Receipts	Janitor's Fees and Repairs
January	\$31.00	\$52.00
February	32.00	59.19
March	14.00	58.55
April	18.00	26.00
May	4.50	31.00
June	5.00	19.25
July	3.50	4.50
August		4.75
September		10.00
October	5.00	14.18
November	29.50	62.75
December	12.00	33.25
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	\$155.00	\$374.92

Paid A. F. Bell, Treasurer

\$155.00

P. G. TRAXLER, *Janitor.*

FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

ENGINE No. 1

- 1 500 gallon pumper with 150 gallon booster tank
- 1600 feet of 2½ inch hose
- 150 feet 1 inch hose for booster tank
- 1 Hand type extinguisher
- 1 Foam type extinguisher
- 1 Roof ladder
- 1 Extension ladder
- 1 Smoke mask
- 1 First aid kit
- 1 Fire fighter extinguisher

ENGINE No. 2

- 75 gallon pump with 125 gallon booster tank
- 150 feet 1 inch hose for booster tank
- 900 feet 1½ inch hose
- 2 Ladders
- 4 Extinguishers
- 24 Shovels
- 1 Smoke mask
- 1 First aid kit
- 1 Co-2 extinguisher

OTHER EQUIPMENT

- 3 Long ladders
- 12 Indian pumpers
- 1 Portable pump
- 1 Trailer
- 1 Emerson Recusitator

REPORT OF CALLS

- 5 Chimney fires
- 1 Oil burner
- 3 Building fires
- 1 Dump fire
- 1 Out of town

NEW EQUIPMENT BOUGHT IN 1948

- 1 Portable pump
- 6 New tires and tubes for No. 2 engine
- 2 New tires and tubes for No. 1 engine

Fire alarm boxes are located:

One at town hall

One at the Drug store

To operate, open door, pull down hook once, then let go
and stay at the box until firemen arrive.

12 and 6 Blasts for fire

1 Blast first Monday each month at 6:45 P. M.

2 Blasts for no school at 8:00 A. M.

1 Long blast, shut off water at any time

2 Blasts Saturday noon for test

The Fire Wards recommend to buy 100 feet of 2½ inch hose and 100 feet of 1½ inch hose; also to have a complete overhaul job on No. 1 engine.

Through the kindness of Miss Betty Barr — she has returned to the Fire Company, the old fire tub and bell.

Respectfully Submitted,

JOHN D. ARMSTRONG,
PAUL G. TRAXLER.

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Your local organization to prevent and extinguish brush and woods fires is glad to report a good year of forest protection in 1948. In spite of danger conditions nearly equalling at times those of 1947 when great losses were suffered in New Hampshire and New England, fire damage and loss this year have been gratifyingly low.

With the continuing cooperation of all the people, we can hope to have another successful year in 1949. Let us remember that in any year, over 90% of all fires are caused by carelessness and that all of these man-caused fires are preventable.

Today, we have more slash and uncut grassland than for many years in the past. Smokers, campers and tourists who use our outdoors are also more numerous than ever before. We must therefore be ready for fires which might occur but, above all, prevention by everyone is the greatest need.

A few simple precautions taken by every citizen will help, as follows:

(1) Always get a written permit from the warden before kindling a fire outdoors when the ground is not covered with snow.

(2) If you smoke, always extinguish matches and tobacco before dropping or throwing them down. In automobiles, always use the ash trays.

(3) Report fires and smokes to the warden without delay.

The observance of these and other simple rules will go far to insure safety from fire damage and your cooperation in this way is earnestly solicited.

1948 FIRE RECORD

Number of fires, 1

Acerage burned, 1 acre

Number of fire permits issued, 46

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. YOUNG,

District Fire Chief.

LAURENCE J. PARKER,

Acting Forest Fire Warden.

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

January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1948

Receipts

Cash on hand January 1, 1948	\$335.29
Trust funds	950.13
Special appropriation	300.00
Town appropriation	200.00
Total	<hr/> \$1,785.42

Expenditures

Mary K. Wilson, librarian	\$300.00
Emma Bartlett, assistant librarian	50.00
Steve Yakovakis, janitor service	150.00
Hafeli Fuel and Ice Co., 1,719 gal. fuel oil	215.28
Public Service Co., light and power	56.64
Henry W. Wilson, insurance	66.99
Books	146.53
Magazine subscriptions	35.05
Paul Traxler, labor and supplies	9.80
Orvel B. Pierce, cleaning and adjusting furnace	15.50
E. H. Edwards, changing entrances to reading rooms	368.56
Bank activity charges	4.85
Total expenses	<hr/> \$1,419.20
Cash on hand December 31, 1948	366.22
	<hr/> \$1,785.42

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP E. KNOWLES, *Treasurer.*

Approved: Ruth Cody.

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

Days and Hours Open

Monday, Wednesday, Saturday

Afternoons	2:30—4:30
Evenings	6:30—8:30

Books purchased, 1948	101
Books by gift	87
Mrs. Ellen Clough	
Mrs. Eva Donnelly	
Miss Betty Barr	
Mrs. Effie Black	
The Peterborough Transcript	
Magazines by subscription	11
Books numbered for circulation	2,507
Borrowers	150

Magazines by Subscription

Jack and Jill
Playmates
American Girl
Seventeen
Time
Life
The Ladies Home Journal
The Readers Digest
The Saturday Evening Post
The National Geographic
The Popular Mechanics

Magazines by Gift

Fortune
General Federation Clubwoman
The Christian Science Monitor
Plain Talk
The Rural New Yorker
Life of the Soldier and Airman
Snews (Antrim High School)

MARY K. WILSON

Librarian.

BENNINGTON SCHOOL BOARD

ANNUAL REPORT

ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1948

Summary

Cash on hand June 30, 1947 (Treasurer's bank balance)		\$616.44
Received from selectmen, appropriation for current year	\$13,222.87	
balance of previous appropriation	none	
dog tax	203.61	
Income from trust funds	none	
Received from State Treasurer	2,139.10	
Money borrowed	none	
Received from all other sources	510.00	
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		\$16,075.58
Total amount available for fiscal year (balance and receipts)		\$16,692.02
Less school board orders paid		\$16,562.55
Balance on hand as of June 30, 1948 (Treasurer's bank balance)		\$129.47

MARY K. WILSON,
District Treasurer.

July 12, 1948

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

(Required by the State Board of Education from all
State Aided Districts)

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Bennington of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948 and find them correct in all respects.

FRIEDA L. EDWARDS,
WALTER T. CLEARY,

Auditors.

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Bennington, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 4th day of March, 1949, 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 agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers 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 what sums of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligation of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund

together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

9. To transact any other business which may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Bennington this 15th day of February, 1949.

STEPHEN CHASE,
HELEN M. POWERS,

School Board of Bennington.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

STEPHEN CHASE,
HELEN M. POWERS,

School Board of Bennington.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE BENNINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

For The Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 1947 and Ending
June 30, 1948

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

STEWART V. McCORMACK,

Superintendent.

STEPHEN CHASE,
HELEN POWERS,

School Board.

July 12, 1948.

	Receipts	
Federal Aid:		
none		none
State Aid:		none
Equalization and General Aid	\$2,139.10	
		\$2,139.10

Local Taxation:

Support of Schools	\$12,722.87	
Special appropriation (projector)	500.00	
	<hr/>	\$13,222.87

From Sources Other Than Taxation:

Dog Licenses	\$203.61	
Elementary tuitions	510.00	
	<hr/>	\$713.61

Total Receipts from All Sources	\$16,075.58	
Cash on Hand July 1, 1947	616.44	
	<hr/>	\$16,692.02
GRAND TOTAL		\$16,692.02

ITEMIZATION OF PAYMENTS OF THE
BENNINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

For The Fiscal Year, July 1, 1947 to June 30, 1948

Administration

Salaries of District Officers

Frieda Edwards, Auditor	\$5.00
Doris M. Parker, Chm. School Board	75.00
Helen Powers, School Board	50.00
Stephen Chase, School Board	50.00
J. Prentiss Weston, Clerk	5.00
George E. Edwards, Moderator	5.00
Mary K. Wilson, Treasurer	50.00

\$240.00

Superintendent's Salary (district's share) 257.14

\$257.14

Tax for State Wide Supervision 220.00

\$220.00

Expenses of Administration

Transcript Printing Co. (legal notice)	\$5.00
Supervisory Union Clerk (dist. share)	28.57
State School Boards Assoc. (dues)	3.00
Martha Parker (travel expense)	5.10
Stewart V. McCormack (expense to Manchester and Boston)	15.00
Maico Boston Co. (hearing tests)	2.00
E. Babb Co. (report cards)	10.87

Bank activity charge	.90	
H. W. Wilson (treasurer's bond)	5.00	
World Book Co. (tests)	22.60	
		\$103.04

Instruction

Teachers' Salaries

Ruth Cody, Principal	\$1,432.80	
Jessie Black	1,712.80	
Lulu Cilley	1,529.70	
Ilene Parker	1,428.55	
Herman Hill	320.00	
Mary K. Wilson (substitute)	5.50	
Teachers' Retirement Bd. (withheld from teachers' pay)	300.00	
Collector of Internal Revenue (withheld)	795.10	
		\$7,524.45

Text Books

F. A. Owens Co.	\$19.20	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	65.30	
W. L. Singer Co.	10.00	
American Book Co.	2.51	
O. H. Toothaker	16.00	
Hall McCreary Co.	4.32	
Scott, Foresman Co.	64.70	
Rand McNally Co.	33.58	
		\$215.61

Scholars' Supplies

Gledhill Bros.	\$22.66
Edw. Babb Co.	186.81
J. L. Hammett Co.	2.57
Warner-Dowling	16.40
Scott, Foresman Co.	60.00

\$288.44

Other Expenses of Instruction:

F. A. Owens Co.	\$6.00
J. L. Hammett Co.	19.76
Beckley-Cardy Co.	15.52
Community Bus Lines	15.00
University of N. H., Visual Aids	60.00
O. H. Toothaker	6.84
Fred L. Towers Co.	8.00
D. C. Heath Co.	1.86
The MacMillan Co.	3.46
John C. Winston Co.	5.31
Messenger Pub. Co.	10.00
Mrs. Minnie Cody, flag repairs	1.00
Coolidge & Edmunds	19.70

\$172.45

Operation and Maintenance of School Plant

Janitor's Salary:

J. Fred Miles	*\$900.00
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\$900.00

Fuel

Hafeli Coal Co.	\$645.22
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\$645.22

Water, Light, Janitor Supplies

Public Service Co.	\$60.04	
J. Fred Miles	20.37	
Paul G. Traxler	3.84	
Coolidge & Edmunds	7.31	
Edw. Babb Co.	16.32	
J. L. Hammett Co.	39.83	
Mt. Kilburn Paper Co.	46.80	
Warren Ref. Chemical Co.	9.00	
	<hr/>	
		\$203.51

Repairs and Replacements:

Howard Chase, piano tuning	\$6.00	
Congleton Typewriter Co.	20.00	
Leon Stearns, boiler cleaning	25.00	
Stephen Chase, waterproofing	55.90	
John R. Martin, boiler repairs	60.59	
C. O. Rockwell, boiler repairs	1.83	
Leitch Engineering Co., boiler work	92.99	
Paul Traxler, boiler blower	5.29	
E. W. Rowles Co., swing chains	2.54	
James Oski, swing repairs	10.00	
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		\$280.14

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities

Health Supervision

Martha Parker	\$300.00	
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		\$300.00

Transportation

John H. Lindsay	\$1,067.50	
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		\$1,067.50

Tuitions

Hillsboro High School	\$950.00	
Peterborough High School	1,879.20	
Wilton High School	88.66	
	<hr/>	\$2,917.86

Other Special Activities

Philip Morris Co.	\$22.95	
Arlo Pub. Co.	14.20	
O. H. Toothaker	4.28	
	<hr/>	\$41.43

Insurance

Henry W. Wilson	\$94.78	
	<hr/>	\$94.78

Retirement

Teachers' Retirement	\$375.00	
State Employment Retirement	16.00	
	<hr/>	\$391.00

New Equipment

Leitch Motion Picture Co.	\$559.00	
J. L. Hammett Co.	124.90	
	<hr/>	\$683.90

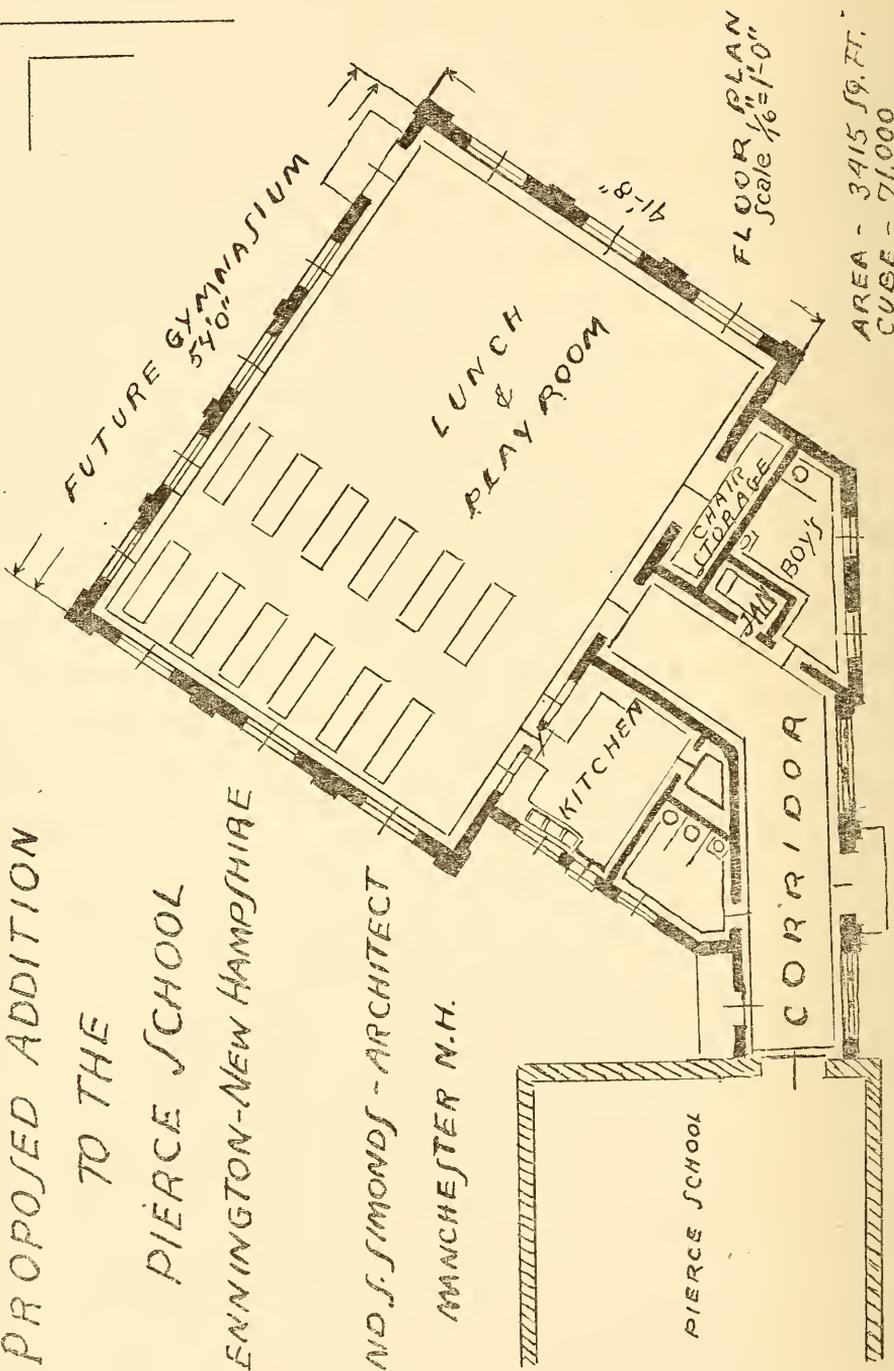
Total Payments	\$16,562.55	
Cash on hand June 30, 1948	129.47	

GRAND TOTAL	<hr/>	\$16,692.02
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DRAWINGS
OF
PROPOSED ADDITIONS
TO
PIERCE SCHOOL

PROPOSED ADDITION
TO THE
PIERCE SCHOOL
BENNINGTON-NEW HAMPSHIRE

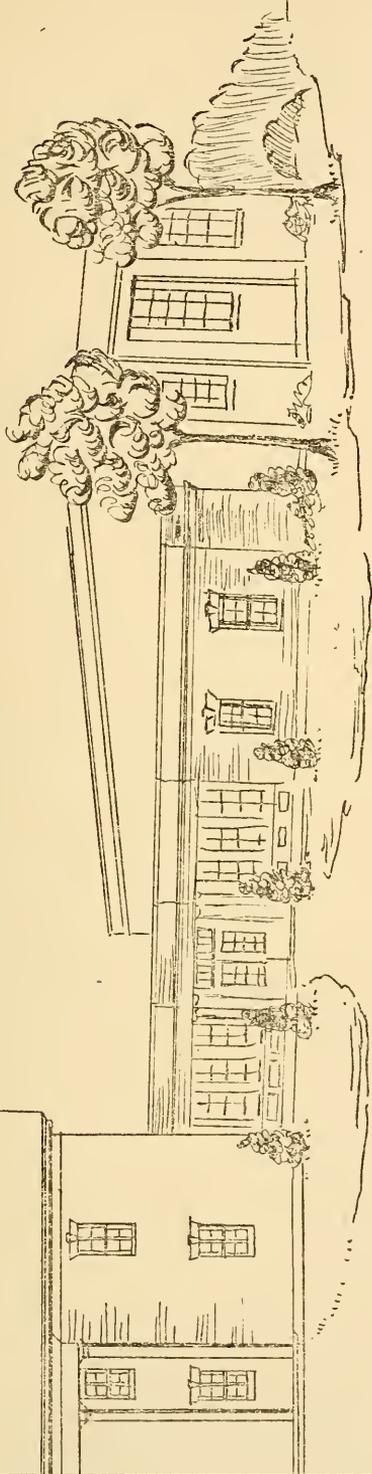
ROLAND S. SIMONDS - ARCHITECT
MANCHESTER N.H.



FLOOR PLAN
Scale $\frac{1}{16}'' = 1'-0''$

AREA - 3415 SQ. FT.
CUBE - 71,000

PIERCE SCHOOL



ARCHITECT'S SKETCH SHOWING ELEVATION OF PROPOSED ADDITION
TO PIERCE SCHOOL. THIS UNIT WOULD BE IDEALLY SITUATED
TO SERVE BOTH SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY.
PROBABLE COST WOULD BE \$40,000



THE GENERAL REPORT

General education is education for our common needs, our needs as men and women in a changing world society. Among the central aims of general education is the acquisition of fundamental skills, such as reading, writing and speaking. But education is also concerned with action and life — the life of reason. Its goal is a disciplined person, applying and directing his knowledge and his powers. We are interested in having each pupil learn *how to learn*, and to learn *how to keep on learning*. These factors are far more important and useful than filling the mind with any one set of facts can be.

In these days of vast technological changes, the work of the school has to be geared to prepare its pupils for a world in which even atomic power may be made useful and then become old-fashioned.

Mrs. Cody and her staff have done a superb job of welding tried instructional principles and the newer ones into a modern program. All four teachers attended the workshop for elementary teachers of this area sponsored by the State Board of Education at Henniker in October. In fact they soon became practical leaders of their study groups. The main objective of the workshop was to help teachers change over their teaching methods so that pupils would more adequately learn to understand that our world has suddenly become THE community just as a single town used to be a community. Pupils have to learn to work together and also need to learn how to attack problems independently according to their abilities. Pierce school has done excellent work along these lines for which great credit is due Mrs. Cody and her teachers.

The facilities have been improved at the school by the recent addition of the motion picture projector, the

new mimeograph duplicator, the two new work tables in the primary room and the posture chairs, the new set of encyclopedias and repairs to all the playgrounds equipment. The school lacks an educationally suitable record reproducer, radio, and film strip projector. These are not fantastic needs but are almost standbys in standard schools in 1949.

It is our job to point out good features of the school program and also to provide an analysis of inadequacies. For that reason, I have attached to this report, a sketch of a playroom — lunchroom unit which should be added to the Pierce School as soon as possible. While I shall not attempt to enumerate here all the uses for which it is needed, people of Bennington who have children in school know that the present plant provides a minimum of standard facilities for an elementary school program. The selectmen have granted use of the Town Hall for some school purposes but it is far from realistically useful for modern school purposes, nor can we use it for noon lunches. The addition is sadly needed and its construction would be an indication that the people of Bennington were interested enough in education to at least match the generous gift of the Pierce School to their town.

No articles have been introduced in the current warrant to make the addition possible at this meeting. It is my purpose to introduce the subject here to get everyone in Bennington to seriously consider the need. If the state legislature passes the bond act now under consideration, the State Board of Education would then pay back one fourth of the bond principal each payment period. The need is serious enough so that it should be easy to get a Superior Court order for a Special Meeting at any time during the year. It is no easy task for school officials to launch a building program. Neither is it easy on one's soul to cover up the fact that school facilities are needlessly inadequate.

The current budget is just about adequate to maintain the status quo in the school program. Teachers' salaries over the state, show a present average of \$2,350 for each elementary teacher. In Bennington we are paying \$2,000 for our very loyal, enthusiastic, and well informed teachers. While we have budgeted a slight increase for these teachers, we will not even be too capable of competing in the empty market for teachers if we should need to. Teachers are supposed to be capable of starting boys and girls along the different walks of life even to be giants of industry or politics. Such teachers are not found on the lists of those who are stupid enough to work for less than their fellow teachers. The budget as printed should take care of our needs, however.

Tuition rates in all high schools are still rising. A new law may permit such schools to charge off building depreciation in tuition charges. In that case Bennington will be paying for some school somewhere. The area is currently studying the problem of a Cooperative High school. Bennington may well be forced to pay costs if such a plant eventually develops and therefore should take an active interest in such a study, and thereby be enabled to have a voice in the education of its pupils.

A bill is also in the legislature to make High School transportation compulsory. If passed, the law will affect Bennington and cause your board to require a deficiency budget in all probability. While it may work a tax hardship on a community, it will serve to equalize the professed American ideal of equal educational opportunities for all boys and girls even if they can't walk to high school.

The Bennington program has shown enormous progress under the capable guidance of your school board and your teachers. Such progress becomes an American school. Education has lumbered on in a passive manner.

It was not so with communism which has been working actively. Now we are all scared. We can take back our leadership by an ACTIVE educational program. This costs money and the test is in our hands now. Are we willing to pay the price for the sake of our boys and girls, or shall we continue to overlook fundamental issues?

It has indeed been a pleasure to work with your capable school board. They have spent many hours on the various problems involved in providing and improving a school program of the excellent calibre which is Bennington's. I also wish to express my appreciation for the fine cooperation and leadership from the school staff and the participation of the townspeople in school affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

STEWART V. McCORMACK, .

Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

From February 1948 to February 1949.

To Mr. Stewart V. McCormack, Superintendent of Schools

Number of pupils weighed and measured	108
Number of visions tested	107
Number of hearings tested	84
Number of pediculosis (attended to)	9
Number of skin diseases (attended to)	1
Number of running ears	1
Number of chicken pox	1
Number of speech	3

Vitamins are available free for all children at a cost of us of \$75.00. \$50.00 of this has been promised by the Womens Club. \$25.00 has been raised by the Pierce school.

I want to thank the Superintendent of Schools, Teachers, parents and pupils for their interest and cooperation in the health work.

Respectfully submitted,

MARTHA PARKER, R. N.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF PIERCE SCHOOL

To the Supreintendent, School Board and Citizens of
Bennington:

During the past school year our staff has endeavored to teach the fundamental skills and in addition to this to develop a program which would enable the pupils to fit into the democratic way of life. We have tried to treat our pupils as individuals; we have done our best to guide them toward better mental and physical health; we have tried to form habits which will make them more intelligent and happier citizens of the future.

The motion picture projector has been indispensable, especially in Social Studies. We have had excellent films showing how the rest of the world lives. Life in the World community has been brought to the children of Bennington by these films.

The encyclopedias and reference books have been greatly appreciated in our Group and Unit work. This type of study work gives the pupils practice in being leaders and intelligent followers.

Each room has had its club. This has given the children an opportunity to have elections, to choose leaders, and to plan and supervise party activities by means of committees.

The children have had splendid supervision in Fine Arts. Mr. Jewett has offered a most beneficial program. An interesting and worth while experience was offered the pupils in the "District Singing and Speaking Jamboree" which took place on February 17th. Plans are being made for a different type of Graduation Program.

The children are doing research on the histories of the towns of Bennington and Greenfield. Later under

Mr. Jewett's guidance a play will be written and produced and costumes and scenery will be designed.

There are many of the children taking individual lessons on musical instruments. Mr. Hamilton is at the school every Wednesday morning. The orchestra is being organized under the direction of Mr. Hamilton.

There is a daily activity period from 3:00 o'clock until 3:45 each afternoon. At present this period is devoted to Boys' Basket Ball Practice on Monday and Wednesdays; to Girls' practice on Tuesday, and Thursday, and to both boys' and girls' games on Friday afternoons. When the basket ball season closes this time will be devoted to Square Dancing, Dramatics, and Baseball.

The children are producing a quarterly school magazine called the "Pierce School Mirror." This paper would not be possible but for the mimeograph duplicator. We hope to acquaint our citizens with the things we are trying to do by means of this paper. It is an educational experience for the children to write for this magazine and to work in producing it.

At the present time there are approximately 40 children eating lunch at school. It would be an excellent thing if arrangements could be made so that these children might have hot lunches served daily.

The children have helped in both the Red Cross and Infantile Paralysis drives.

We are very grateful to our Superintendent, School Board and Citizens of the town for their cooperation in making this school year both worthwhile and pleasant.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH CODY.

REPORT OF SEXTON OF BENNINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
FOR THE YEAR DEC. 31, 1947 - DEC. 31, 1948

NAME	AGE		BURIED	BROUGHT FROM	PLACE OF INTERMENT
	Yr.	Mo. Dy.			
Margaret Shea	76	10 1	March 31	Goffstown, N. H.	Mt. Calvary Cemetery
Norman P. Sawyer	63	4 27	April 7	Laconia, N. H.	Evergreen Cemetery
Jaston Root	69	3 18	April 26	Boston, Mass.	Mt. Calvary Cemetery
William E. Call	65	3 18	May 22	Bennington, N. H.	Sunnyside Cemetery
Tracy L. Clafin	17	0 12	June 9	Glenciff, N. H.	Mt. Calvary Cemetery
George E. Lewis	81	5 7	June 11	Ogh, Pa.	Evergreen Cemetery
Nunzia Cuddemi	54	5 7	July 17	Bennington, N. H.	Mt. Calvary Cemetery
Sgt. Calvin A. Brown	26	6 28	July 17	St. Lo, France	Evergreen Cemetery
Florence D. Fournier	67	7 11	August 28	Francesstown, N. H.	Evergreen Cemetery
Gust H. Dodge	59	6 5	Oct. 15	Lowell, Mass.	Sunnyside Cemetery
Richard A. Lavender		1 29	Oct. 20	Goffstown,	Evergreen Cemetery
Pvt. Lester R. Rich	30	5 7	Dec. 3	France	Evergreen Cemetery

Respectfully Submitted.

WILLIAM J. TAYLOR, Sexton.

VITAL STATISTICS

Marriages Registered in the Town of Bennington, N. H. for the Year Ending
December 31, 1948.

Date and Place of Marriage 1948	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age in Years Residence of Each at time of Marriage	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents
May 2 Hancock	Roy E. Dorry Marion E. Parker	Bennington Bennington	Goffstown Canaan	Howard Dorry Lela Demeritt Harry S. Dunbar	Hancock — —
June 5 Bennington	Nicholis Sysyn Nora C. Diamond	Manchester Bennington	Manchester Peterborough	Florence French Andrew Sysyn Irene Kochuit Arnold C. Diamond Mary K. Sullivan	Bennington Poland Poland Bennington Ireland
June 12 Peterborough	Sidney A. Huntington Nada M. Rollins	Bennington Bennington	Antrim Greenfield	Rodney Q. Huntington Hattie E. Rockwell Gaidner C. Thayer Evelyn C. Rollins Harry W. Codman	Nashua Hancock Burlington, Vt. Nottingham Deering
June 26 Deering	Ira W. Codman Elizabeth D. Tacy	Antrim Bennington	Antrim Antrim	Olive I. Elan Louis F. Tacy Emogene Parker Laurence J. Parker	Providence Ashuelot Peterborough Roxbury
July 3 Hillsborough	Laurence H. Parker Joyce E. Avery	Bennington Hillsboro	Nashua Sharon, Vt.	Doris M. Wilson Eugene E. Avery Adelme B. Joyce	Bennington S. Straford, Vt. Concord

July 24	Charles H. Davidson	Bennington	23	Bennington	Roy E. Davidson	Berttum, Iowa
Hancock	Marjorie J. Travers	Bennington	27	England	Mary E. Harrison	Antrim
August 22	John H. Cole	Francesstown	34	Francesstown	Thomas Lanham	England
Bennington	Ruth M. Wilson	Bennington	28	Bennington	Janey E. Allard	Hill
Sept. 4	Forest C. Lowe	Bennington	47	Greenfield	William H. Cole	Grantham
Peterborough	Elsie E. McInnis	Bennington	53	Berlin, Mo.	Walter E. Wilson	Francesstown
Oct. 30	Herbert A. Curtis	Bennington	62	Antrim	Mary J. Wilson	Bennington
Concord	Ethel T. Ingram	Chichester	47	Chichester	Clarence Lowe	Greenfield
December 17	Robert S. Barrie	Providence, R. I.	29	Providence, R. I.	Etta Burton	Stoddard
Bennington	Joan S. Durfee	Bennington	25	Bennington, Kan.	George Holmes	DesMoines, Iowa
December 13	Philip E. Traxler	Bennington	21	Bennington	Charlotte Swift	Dorchester, Mass.
Antrim	Elsie M. McInnis	Bennington	20	Hancock	Joseph Curtis	Hancock
					Cora Hatch	Chichester
					George Towle	Chichester
					Clara Towle	Scotland
					Robert Barrie	Scotland
					Catherine Thom	N. Scituate, R. I.
					Harold D. Durfee	Bennington, Kan.
					Janet Shepard	Bennington
					Paul G. Traxler	Keene
					Dorothy M. Collins	Nova Scotia
					Daniel McInnis	Berlin, Mo.
					Elsie Holmes	

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

DONALD A. POWERS, Town Clerk.

Births Registered in the Town of Bennington, N. H. for the Year Ending
December 31, 1948.

Date of Birth 1948	Name of Child	Sex		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
		Li	No.				
Jan. 11	Harold Jameson Wilson	M	5	Herbert E. Wilson	Evelyn C. Rollins	Antrim	Nottingham
Mar. 11	John Raymond French	M	1	Edward E. French	Addie J. Stinson	Bennington	Hillsborough
May 9	Robert Louis Knight, Jr.	M	3	Robert L. Knight	Edwina H. Knight	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Peterborough
June 14	Baby Miller	M	7	Martin V. Miller	Anna M. Mitchell	Wisconsin	Manchester
June 19	Linda Lee Lavender	F	1	Edward C. Lavender	Shirley A. Warner	Worcester, Mass.	Peterborough
Aug. 4	Constance Ann Cuddemi	F	8	Albert Cuddemi	Beatrice J. PaPointe	Boston, Mass.	Troy
Aug. 19	Richard Alfred Lavender	M	3	Charles A. Lavender	Eda N. Johnson	St. Johnsbury, Vt.	Hancock
Sept. 23	Alice Donna Conroy	F	3	Patrick J. Conroy	Marie D. Paul	S. Boston, Mass.	Peterborough
Oct. 3	Christopher Brown M.	M	1	Edgar E. Brown	Geraldine Markham	Bethel, Maine	Watertown, Mass.
Oct. 22	Roger Davidson	M	2	Charles H. Davidson	Marjorie J. Lanham	Bennington	Swindon, England
Dec. 8	Susan Rae Dorry	F	1	Roy E. Dorry	Marion E. Dunbar	Goffstown	Canaan

Note: All white. Parents all white. Residence: All Bennington.

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

DONALD A. POWERS, Town Clerk.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Bennington, N. H. for the Year Ending
December 31, 1948.

Date of Death 1948	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
			Years	Months	Days			
Jan. 8	Bennington	Arthur J. Pierce	71	5	23	Milton, Mass.	Edward L. Pierce	Elizabeth H. Kingsbury
Jan. 16	Bennington	William Ernest Call	65	3	18	Rumney	William R. Call	Augusta Harris
May 29	Goffstown	Alexander Riddell	80	7	19	Scotland	Alexander Riddell	Margaret Cochrane
June 14	Peterboro	Baby Miller (St. B'n.)	0	0	0	Peterborough	Martin Miller	Anna Mitchell
July 15	Bennington	Nunzia Cuddemi	54	5	7	Salley, Italy	Carl Lozano	?
Dec. 31	Bennington	Edward Albert Newton	88	1	22	Bennington	Henry Newton	Emily Blanchard

Note: Color, all white.

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

DONALD A. POWERS, *Town Clerk.*

