
ANNUAL
REPORTS

of the town of

Bennington

NEW HAMPSHIRE



For the Year Ending

DECEMBER 31, 1949

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES
OF THE TOWN OF
BENNINGTON

New Hampshire

TOGETHER WITH THE
REPORTS OF TOWN OFFICERS

FOR THE
Year Ending December 31, 1949
AND THE
Vital Statistics For The Year 1949

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

JOHN P. WESTON

Selectmen

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

Town Clerk

DONALD A. POWERS

Town Treasurer

ARTHUR F. BELL

Road Agent

HERBERT A. CURTIS

Tax Collector

JAMES H. BALCH

Library Trustees

RUTH M. CODY PHILIP E. KNOWLES
NELLIE SHEA

Superintendent of Water Works

J. FRED MILES

Fire Wardens

IVON CLOUGH PAUL G. TRAXLER
JOHN D. ARMSTRONG

Forest Fire Warden

LAURENCE J. PARKER

Supervisors of Check-Lists

PHILIP E. KNOWLES EDWARD E. FRENCH

Trustees of Trust Funds

FRIEDRIKA L. EDWARDS HENRY W. WILSON
PHILIP E. KNOWLES

Overseer of Poor

ALFRED CHASE

Janitor of Town Hall

PAUL G. TRAXLER

Sexton

WILLIAM J. TAYLOR

Water Commissioners

LAURENCE J. PARKER HARRY W. BROWN
J. FRED MILES

Constable

ARTHUR R. SHELDON

Police

FRANK CHESIRE
FRED HUGRON

POUL TRAXLER
JOHN H. LINDSAY, Jr.

Trustee of Evergreen Cemetery

HARRY W. BROWN

Trustee of Sunnyside Cemetery

JOHN P. WESTON

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

ERNEST WILSON

LAURENCE J. PARKER

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 14th 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 if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$121.00 for the Monadnock Region.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum off \$1,500.00 for tarring.

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

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the World War II Memorial Playground.

11. To see what action the Town will take in regard to bath house and supervision at Lake Whittemore and raise and appropriate money for same.

12. To see what action the Town will take in regard to having an Old Home Day Celebration and raise and appropriate money for the same.

13. To see what action the Town will take in regard to building a sidewalk from the corner of the Greenfield road to St. Patricks Church and raise and appropriate money for the same.

14. To see if the Town will vote to legalize Beano games in the Town of Bennington.

15. To see if the Town will donate the old Jail house to the Fire Department to store the hand Tub and Bell and surplus equipment, and raise and appropriate a sum of money to make a doorway and belfry in same.

16. To see if the Town will vote to move the Cells from the Jail House to the Town Hall basement and raise and appropriate money for the same.

17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to print invoice and taxes.

18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to buy 50 chairs for the Town Hall.

19. 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.

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

Given under our hands and seal, this 20th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty.

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

Selectmen of Bennington.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

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

Selectmen of Bennington.

B U D G E T

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1949	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1950
From State:		
Interest and Dividend Tax	\$816.03	\$816.03
Railroad Tax	160.31	160.31
Savings Bank Tax	176.65	176.65
For Fighting Forest Fires	19.20	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:		
Dog Licenses	175.66	150.00
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	66.00	50.00
Income of Departments:		
(a) Highway, including rental of equipment	1,523.80	1,000.00
Income from Municipally owned Utilities:		
(a) Water Departments	2,239.01	2,200.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,207.62	1,000.00
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:		
(a) Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2	498.00	498.00
Total Revenues From All Sources	\$6,882.28	\$6,050.99
Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes	\$41,879.77	\$41,291.23
Total Revenues	\$48,762.05	\$47,342.22

PURPOSE OF EXPENDITURES

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1949	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1950
Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,235.00	\$1,235.00
Town Officers' Expenses	928.07	1,300.00
Election and Registration Expenses	117.87	300.00
Monument Appropriation	958.50	
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	2,301.53	1,500.00
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police Department	286.52	500.00
Fire Department	1,583.01	1,800.00
Sidewalks	848.80	
Health:		
Health Department, including hospitals	586.93	700.00
Vital Statistics	11.00	11.00
Fire Truck Appropriation	1,300.00	
Town Truck	391.90	500.00
Highways and Bridges:		
Town Maintenance: Summer	2,788.57	4,100.00
Town Maintenance: Winter	1,358.78	
Street Lighting	988.33	1,256.20
General Expenses of Highway Department	381.59	500.00
Town Road Aid	200.40	200.40
Libraries:		
Libraries	200.00	200.00
Public Welfare:		
Town Poor	910.31	1,500.00
Old Age Assistance	1,247.55	1,800.00
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	200.00	200.00
Auto Permits	127.50	127.50

Recreation:

Parks and Playgrounds, incl. band concerts	129.13	500.00
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Public Service Enterprises:

Municipally owned Water and Electric Utilities	3,196.55	2,500.00
Cemeteries	214.45	15.00
Town Hall Toilet	854.54	
Tarring Appropriation	955.75	1,500.00
Taxes Bought by Town	52.01	52.01
World War II Memorial	1,607.18	
Monadnock Region	113.00	121.00

Interest:

On Temporary Loans	148.33	150.00
On Long Term Notes	214.75	175.00

Payment on Principal of Debt:

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

County Taxes	6,042.56	6,500.00
School Taxes	12,199.11	16,199.11
Total Expenditures	<u>\$46,579.52</u>	<u>\$47,342.22</u>

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

Lands and Buildings	\$476,815.00
Growing Wood and Timber	15,825.00
Electric Plants	28,327.00
Horses, 8	525.00
Cows, 53	6,045.00
Other Neat Stock, 4	310.00
Fowls, 4,980	7,425.00
Vehicles, 3	1,600.00
Portable Mills, 2	550.00
Wood, Lumber, etc.	2,500.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks, 9	975.00
Stock in Trade	269,800.00
Mills and Machinery	400,400.00
Total	<hr/> \$1,176,097.00

AMOUNT OF TAXES AND RATES

Poll Taxes, 250 at \$2.00 \$500.00

Total Amount of Taxes to be Committed to
Collector including Town and Precinct
Taxes, Poll Taxes and National Bank
Stock Taxes 41,782.85

Average rate of taxation per one hundred
dollars valuation for all purposes \$3.45

Amount of property valuation exempted to
veterans \$25,500.00

Number of inventories sent out, 246

Number of inventories returned, 190

Number of veterans who receive property exemptions, 28

Number of veterans exempted from poll tax, 60

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.

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

Selectmen of Bennington.

LIST OF APPROPRIATIONS

Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,290.00
Town Officers' Expenses	800.00
Election and Registration Expenses	100.00
Town Hall and Buildings	1,100.00
Police Department	500.00
Fire Department	1,100.00
Fire Department Appropriation	1,500.00
Health Department	400.00
Town Hall Toilets	400.00
Vital Statistics	22.25
Town Road Aid	200.40
Town Road Aid	2,600.00
Town Maintenance	1,500.00
Town Construction, Tarring	700.00
Street Lighting	1,223.20
General Expenses of Highway Department	1,000.00
Sidewalk Construction	1,000.00
Monument	700.00
Monadnock Region	113.00
Libraries	200.00
Old Age Assistance	1,800.00
Town Poor	1,500.00
Memorial Day	200.00
Parks and Playgrounds Inc. Band Concerts	100.00
Water and Electric Utilities	2,000.00
Cemeteries	15.00
Playgrounds	1,000.00
Auto Permits	135.50

Interest	206.10
Payments on Principal of Debt	1,900.00
County Tax	6,042.56
School Tax	16,641.43

Total Town and School Appropriations \$47,989.44

Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:

Interest and Dividend Tax	\$811.60
Railroad Tax	100.00
Savings Bank Tax	127.17
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,000.00
Bounties	105.50
Rent of Town Property	155.00
Interest Received on Taxes	34.48
Water and Electric Departments	2,100.00
Rental of Equipment	2,000.00
Filing Fees	22.00

Total Revenues and Credits \$6,455.75

Plus Overlay \$41,533.69

749.16

Net Amount to be raised by Taxation \$42,282.85

Less: Poll Taxes at \$2.00 500.00

Amount to be raised by property taxes on
which tax rate is to be figured \$41,782.85

Taxes to be Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$41,782.85
Poll Taxes at \$2.00	500.00
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Total Taxes to be Committed	42,282.85

Tax Rate, \$3.45 per \$100.00

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.
September 16, 1949.

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, 1949

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 14, 1950.

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

Selectmen

ARTHUR F. BELL,

Treasurer.

Bennington 3

ASSETS

Cash:

In hands of treasurer \$11,026.58

Accounts Due to the Town—

Due from State:

(b) Bounties 83.75

Unredeemed Taxes:

(a) Levy of 1949 933.85
(b) Levy of 1948 13.65
(c) Levy of 1947 13.47
(d) Previous Years 18.51

Total Assets \$12,089.81

Excess of liabilities over assets (Net Debt) 1,831.90

Grand Total \$13,921.71

Net Debt—December 31, 1948 1,979.80

Net Debt—December 31, 1949 1,831.90

Decrease of Debt 147.90

Purpose for which debt was created: Water Works and
Bridge.

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:

Bills outstanding	
Soldiers' Monument	\$241.50
Sidewalk Appropriation	152.00
Due to Precincts, Water Works	1,911.12

Due to School Districts:

(a) Dog licenses	175.66
(b) Balance of Appropriation	6,641.43

Long Term Notes Outstanding:

Water Works Notes	3,000.00
Bridge Notes	1,800.00

Total Liabilities	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$13,921.71
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RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$40,188.67
Poll Taxes	498.00
Total Current Year's taxes collected and remitted	\$40,686.67
Property taxes, Previous Years	522.13
Poll Taxes, Previous Years, Reg. at \$2.00	16.00
Interest received on taxes	27.03

From State:

Interest and dividend tax	816.03
Railroad tax	160.31
Savings bank tax	176.65
Fighting forest fires	19.20
Bounties	105.50

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog licenses	175.66
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	23.00
Rent of town property	66.00
Town Truck	1,523.80
Appropriations to general municipal funds from municipally owned utilities	2,239.01
Registration of motor vehicles, 1949 Permits	1,207.62

6,512.78

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	20,000.00
John Bryer, sand	4.00
Edward French, rebate	9.00
Paul Traxler, sink	5.00
Roxbury Neighborhood Association Memorial fund	40.38
Forest Lowe, tires	35.00
Harry W. Brown, playground equipment	25.20
John D. Weston, tarring driveway	137.00
Fred Azzola, driveway	16.25
J. P. Weston, Sunnyside Cemetery fund	145.50
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Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue	\$20,417.33
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Total Receipts from All Sources	\$68,181.94
Cash on hand January 1, 1949	9,509.03
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Grand Total	\$77,690.97

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town officers' salaries	\$1,235.00
Town officers' expenses	928.09
Election and registration expenses	117.87
Monument appropriation	958.50
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	2,301.53

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	286.52
Fire department, including forest fires	1,583.01
Sidewalks	848.80
Bounties	83.75
Fire truck appropriation	1,300.00

Health:

Health department, including hospitals	586.93
Vital statistics	11.00
Maintenance, Town truck	391.90
Toilet appropriation	854.54

Highways and Bridges:

Tarring	955.75
Town Road Aid	200.40
Town Maintenance, Summer	2,788.57
Town Maintenance, Winter	1,358.78
Street lighting and sprinkling	988.33
General Expenses of Highway Department	382.19

Libraries:

Libraries	200.00
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Public Welfare:

Old age assistance	1,247.55
Town poor	910.31
Auto permits	127.50

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day and Veteran's Associations	200.00
Monadnock Region	113.00

Recreation:

Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts	129.13
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Public Service Enterprises:

Appropriations to water and electric utilities	3,196.55
Taxes	52.01
Cemeteries, including hearse hire	214.45

World War II Memorial Playground	1,607.18	
Interest:		
Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	148.33	
Paid on long term notes	214.75	
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Total Interest Payments		\$363.08
Indebtedness:		
Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	20,000.00	
Payments on bonded debt	1,900.00	
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Total Indebtedness Payments		\$21,900.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
Taxes paid to County	6,042.56	
Payments to School Districts	12,199.11	
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Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		\$18,241.67
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Total Payments for all Purposes		\$66,664.39
Cash on hand December 31, 1949		11,026.58
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Grand Total		\$77,690.97

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

DESCRIPTION	VALUE
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$15,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,500.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	25,000.00
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	3,500.00
Water Supply, if owned by Town	35,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	65,000.00
Equipment	8,000.00
Total	<hr/> \$178,500.00

AUDITOR'S 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 and Town Clerk.

All accounts were found correct, or if out of balance, proper adjustment made. Accounts are in accordance with existing regulations.

EDW. C. SLACK,
MAURICE NEWTON.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

January 1, 1949 thru December 31, 1949

Dog Licenses		\$200.00
Clerk's Fees	\$16.40	
Dog Book and Tags	7.94	
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	\$24.34	\$24.34
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		\$175.66
Amount turned into treasurer for Dog tax		\$175.66
Filing fees		23.00
Auto tax		1,207.62
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Total paid into treasurer for 1949		\$1,406.28
Amount due the town		57c.

DONALD A. POWERS,
Town Clerk.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Levy of 1949

Warrant:	
Property	\$41,879.77
Polls	530.00
Interest collected	9.65
Over turn in	.54
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Total	\$42,419.96
Paid Treasurer	
Property	\$40,186.44
Polls	498.00
Uncollected Property	933.85
Uncollected Polls	32.00
Discount allowed	760.02
Interest collected	9.65
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Total	\$42,419.96

1949 Property Taxes Uncollected

Mildred Atkinson, Paid	\$103.50
Henry & Ethel Barr	77.00
Patrick Cashion Est., Paid	55.20
Isabel Carver	5.18
Stephen Chase	109.27
Charles Cole	30.71
Roy Davidson	62.10

Eli Fournier	6.90
Herbert & Hattie Flanders	62.10
Herbert J. Lindsay	195.01
Warren Perkins	41.40
Lorenzo Smith	4.83
Carrie Smith	17.25
Katherine Sheldon	29.70
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Total	\$800.15

Non Resident's Property

Reginald Call	\$27.60
Harry A. Dorr	24.15
William A. Gillette	8.63
John Newhall	62.10
Mrs. John T. Robertson Est.	8.63
Boisnade B. Schnall, Paid	2.59
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Total	\$133.70
Total uncollected Property	\$933.85

1949 Polls Uncollected

James Atkinson, Paid	\$2.00
Mildred Atkinson, Paid	2.00
Walter Burrows Jr.	2.00
Isabel Carver	2.00
Grace Cole	2.00
John Donnerly	2.00
Eva Donnerly	2.00
Charles Davidson	2.00
Marjorie Davidson	2.00
Hattie Flanders	2.00

Lorenzo Smith	2.00
Carrie Smith	2.00
George Sullivan	2.00
Robert J. Handy	2.00
Isabell Handy	2.00
John McNutt, Paid	2.00
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Total	\$32.00

1948

Uncollected Property Tax	\$509.78
Uncollected Polls, 1 added	54.00
Interest collected	19.17
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Total	\$582.95
Paid Treasurer, Property	\$496.13
Paid Treasurer, Polls	34.00
Uncollected Property	13.65
Uncollected Polls	20.00
Interest collected	19.17
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Total	\$582.95
Abated Polls	\$14.00
Uncollected Property	
Robert J. Handy	\$10.50
Lorenzo Smith	3.15
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Total	\$13.65
Uncollected Polls	
Walter Burrows Jr.	2.00
Percy Handy	2.00
Marjorie Travis	2.00
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Total	\$6.00
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	\$19.65

1947

Robert J. Handy, Property	\$4.98
Lorenzo Smith	4.49
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Total	\$9.47
Uncollected Polls	\$12.00
Abated	6.00
Percy Handy	2.00
Walter Burrows Jr.	2.00
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Total	\$4.00
Paid Treasurer	\$2.00
Interest	.28
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Uncollected	\$13.47

1946

Uncollected Property	
Robert J. Handy	\$10.13
Eugene Mason	3.38
	\$13.51
Abated Property	3.38
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Uncollected	10.13
Uncollected Polls	\$6.00
Abated Polls	\$4.00
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Uncollected Poll	\$2.00
Isabell Handy	\$2.00
Uncollected Property	
Robert Handy	\$10.13
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Total uncollected	\$12.13

All Uncollected Taxes

	1949	
Property		\$772.56
Polls		26.00
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		\$798.56
	1948	
Property		\$13.65
Polls		6.00
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		\$19.65
	1947	
Property		\$9.47
Polls		4.00
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		\$13.47
	1946	
Property		\$10.13
Polls		2.00
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		\$12.13
	1945	
Property		\$1.38
Polls		5.00
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		\$6.38
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Total of all uncollected Taxes		\$850.19

JAMES H. BALCH,

Tax Collector.

1945

Uncollected Property

Otis Wilber	\$7.50
Robert J. Handy	5.38
	\$12.88

Uncollected Polls

Isabell Handy	\$5.00
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	\$17.88

Paid Treasurer, Property	\$4.00
Abated Property	7.50
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	\$11.50

Total uncollected	6.38
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1944

Uncollected Property

Otis Wilber	\$7.50
Abated	\$7.50

JAMES H. BALCH,

Tax Collector.

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Payments

DETAIL No. 1. Town Officers' Salaries

Laurence J. Parker, selectman	\$250.00
Harry W. Brown, selectman	250.00
Horton R. Glynn, selectman	250.00
Arthur F. Bell, Treasurer	187.50
James H. Balch, tax collector	187.50
Henry M. Whitney, auditor	10.00
Maurice C. Newton, auditor	10.00
Lorenzo D. Smith, dog constable	15.00
Donald A. Powers, town clerk	75.00
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	\$1,235.00

DETAIL No. 2. Town Officers' Expenses

Laurence J. Parker, car hire and expenses	\$25.25
Harry W. Brown, stamps and expenses	30.75
Horton R. Glynn, expenses	12.00
Arthur F. Bell, stamps	10.00
James H. Balch, stamps and expenses	12.00
Edson C. Eastman, supplies	77.85
Sargent Brothers, tax bills	17.80
Henry Wilson Agency, insurance and bonds	244.00
N. H. Assessors Ass'n., dues	2.00
Town Clerks' Ass'n., dues	2.00

Freida Edwards, expenses	15.00
Transcript Printing Co., printing	5.00
Messenger Publishing Co., printing	6.00
James Hines, Attorney, contracts	18.50
Donald Powers, stamps and expenses	10.40
Herbert Lindsay, car hire	6.00
Maxwell Press, town reports and printing	347.62
Donat Correveau, records	12.33
Contoocook Valley Telephone Co., telephone	73.59
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	\$927.09

DETAIL No. 3. Election and Registration

Maxwell Press, printing	\$65.87
Wilfred Levesque, ballot inspector	5.00
J. Fred Miles, ballot inspector	5.00
Ruth L. Fox, typing warrants,	2.00
Hattie Brown, dinners, town meeting	25.00
John P. Weston, moderator	5.00
Philip E. Knowles, supervisor,	5.00
Edward E. French, supervisor	5.00
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	\$117.87

Monument Appropriation

Stephen Chase, moving band stand	\$50.00
George Anderson, moving monument	808.50
Congregational Church. land	100.00
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	\$958.50

DETAIL No. 4. Town Hall

C. P. Rockwell, plumbing	\$167.69
C. L. Haskell, repairs	38.00
Alfred Perry, repairs	23.11
C. W. Edmunds, supplies	20.14
F. C. Lowe, wood	15.00
Farmers' Feed and Supply, coal	419.77
Sidney Huntington, cleaning furnaces	30.00
A. F. Edwards, supplies	6.30
John Giddings, trucking	2.00
Bennington Garage, trucking	22.00
Howard Chase, tuning piano	3.50
Henry Wilson Agency, insurance	355.82
John H. Lindsay, supplies	5.06
Ralph Whittemore, labor and supplies	565.66
Donald Traxler, labor	28.70
J. D. Armstrong, labor	81.00
Herbert Flanders, labor	5.25
Horton Glynn, labor	5.60
Philip Traxler, labor	14.00
Margarine Traxler, labor	12.00
Betty Traxler, labor	2.80
Paul Traxler, labor and supplies	388.30
Public Service Co., lights	89.83
	\$2,301.53

DETAIL No. 5. Police Department

Fred Hugron	\$21.00
Arthur R. Sheldon	3.00
Edward French	28.90
Paul Traxler	15.62
Howard L. Ayers	30.00

Allen Day, signs	2.50
Frank Chiesa	185.50
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	\$286.52

DETAIL No. 6. Fire Department

Flanders Garage	258.03
David Traxler, snow removal	5.00
American Fire Extinguisher Co.	5.75
Southwestern Express, express	1.30
Public Service Co., siren	12.01
Albert Cuddemi, car	10.00
Henry W. Wilson Agency, insurance	34.31
Herbert Lindsay	15.00
John Armstrong, salary and labor	62.79
Herbert Wilson	6.00
James Coffin, hose and supplies	397.80
L. J. Parker, forest fire meeting	38.40
Ivon Clough, fire ward	20.00
Maurice Wheeler, labor	2.00
Robert Knight, labor	4.00
Arthur Sawyer, labor	8.00
Paul Traxler, fire ward and labor	55.21
Bennington Garage, labor	164.18
P. F. Shea, payrolls	483.23
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	\$1,583.01

DETAIL No. 7. Sidewalks

Oliver Blanchette, sidewalks	800.00
Herbert Curtis, labor and patch	48.80
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	\$848.80

DETAIL No. 8. - Bounties

H. A. Curtis	\$9.00
George Whittimore	26.00
John Cole	3.50
P. J. Warren	11.50
Charles Varnum	5.00
John Giddins	.50
Fred Hugron	.50
Lorenzo Smith	1.50
Clifford Smith	.75
Roscoe Wilbur	3.50
Laurence Parker	1.00
Horton Glynn	10.50
Harry Brown	4.50
Velma Pope	6.00
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	\$83.75

DETAIL No. 9. Fire Truck Appropriation

Wood Engineering Service	\$1,300.00
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DETAIL No. 10. Health Department

H. A. Varnum, bull dozer	40.00
H. A. Curtis, labor	96.58
Charles E. Mann, bull dozer	70.00
J. Fred Miles, officer and expense	54.10
Newhall Garage, bull dozer	20.00
H. E. Wilson, labor	238.75
Harry Dorr, labor	67.50
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	\$586.93

DETAIL No. 11. Vital Statistics

Donald Powers, recording \$11.00

DETAIL No. 12. Town Truck

Bennington Garage, gas, oil, repairs \$391.90

DETAIL No. 13. Town Maintenance

Winter

Elm City Grain Co., salt	\$120.00
L. J. Parker, snow removal	36.00
H. A. Curtis, pay rolls	1,202.78
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	\$1,358.78

Summer

Edmunds Department Store, tools	\$8.94
Stephen Chase	7.00
Newhalls Garage, repairs	4.50
Bennington Garage, repairs	47.65
Arthur Whitcomb, patch	27.50
Collector of Internal Revenue	24.00
H. A. Curtis, pay rolls	2,668.98
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	\$2,788.57

DETAIL No. 14. Toilet Appropriation

Robert C. Cressy, floor	\$97.20
C. O. Rockwell, contract	492.33
Ralph Whittemore, labor	265.01
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	\$854.54

DETAIL No. 15. Tarring Appropriation

H. A. Curtis, sanding	\$250.80
Trinmont Oil Co., tar	704.75
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	\$955.50

DETAIL No. 16. Street Lighting

Public Service Co. of N. H., street lights	\$988.33
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DETAIL No. 17. General

Paul Traxler, repairs	\$47.18
Ralph Whittemore, labor	1.00
Wallace Whynot Jr., labor	2.10
Herbert Curtis, labor	42.60
Allan Day, signs	10.00
Milan Parker, labor	5.00
Philip Knowles, care of clock	25.00
A. F. Edwards, supplies	4.35
Frank Cheisa, labor	26.79
Clarence Edmunds, supplies	31.75
Edward Moule, painting	42.50
Ray Road Equipment, supplies	13.80
Public Service Co., lights	19.82
Henry W. Wilson, insurance	110.30
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	\$382.19

DETAIL No. 18. Library Appropriation

Ralph Knowles, appropriation	\$200.00
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DETAIL No. 19. Old Age Assistance

State of New Hampshire, town's share \$1,247.55

DETAIL No. 20. Town Poor

Alfred Chase, overseer of poor	\$50.24
Margaret Sawyer, rent	198.00
Bennington Cash Market, supplies	37.00
Aaron Edwards, supplies	362.39
J. B. Vaillancourt, oil	262.68
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	\$910.31

DETAIL No. 21. Auto Permits

Donald Powers, auto permits \$127.50

DETAIL No. 22. Memorial Day

Herman Skinner Jr., Memorial Day appropriation \$200.00

DETAIL No. 23. Monadnock Region

Karl Upton, appropriation \$113.00

DETAIL No. 24. Parks and Play Grounds

David Traxler, labor	\$121.63
P. Martell, labor	2.00
Paul Traxler, labor	5.50
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	\$129.13

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DETAIL No. 25. Water Works

Public Service	\$840.83
Huckins Oil Co., oil	79.65
Stephen Chase, labor	21.00
L. F. Hugron, supplies	3.30
Eddie Volne Co., hydrant	124.70
A. F. Edmunds, supplies	1.95
Concord Water Works, labor	48.36
Maurice C. Newton, labor	41.60
Paul Traxler, labor	2.50
Herbert Curtis, labor	279.50
Leon Messer, labor	30.35
H. R. Prescott, supplies	508.14
J. Fred Miles, labor	1,169.31
Sims Press, printing	14.75
Southwestern Transportation Co., express	17.49
Leonard Frazer, dues	5.00
Charles S. Lynch, supplies	2.52
J. Dowing, supplies	5.60
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	\$3,196.57

DETAIL No. 26. Cemeteries

Walter Smith, labor	\$125.45
Leon Messer, labor	27.00
Herbert Curtis, labor	42.00
Herbert Wilson, labor	13.00
Henry Wilson Agency, insurance	7.00
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	\$214.45

DETAIL No. 27. T. R. A.

State of New Hampshire, T. R. A. \$200.40

DETAIL No. 28. Taxes Bought By Town

James H. Balch, taxes bought by town 52.01

DETAIL No. 29. Playgrounds

H. A. Varnum, bull dozer	\$1,045.00
Paul Murray, labor	90.00
Wilfred Levesque, labor	4.00
Stephen Chase, labor	21.00
Leon Messer, labor	22.50
L. J. Parker, tractor	18.00
H. E. Wilson, truck	11.25
Ernest Normandin, tractor	39.00
Harry A. Dorr, labor	4.00
Cressy & Williams, fertilizer	58.38
Merrimack Farmers, seed	72.45
Fred Hugron, labor	21.50
Theodore Merrill, labor	6.00
David Traxler, labor	6.00
J. J. Morreau, supplies	43.40
Philip Morris, supplies	101.03
C. S. Wood Co., supplies	3.92
John Giddings, supplies	39.75
	\$1,607.18

DETAIL No. 30. Interest

Hillsboro Guaranty Savings Bank	\$160.00
First National Bank, Peterboro	203.08
	\$363.08

DETAIL No. 31. Temporary Loans

First National Bank, Peterboro	\$20,000.00
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DETAIL No. 32. Payment of Long Term Notes

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

DETAIL No. 33. County Tax

County tax	\$6,042.56
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DETAIL No. 34. School District

Mary K. Wilson, treasurer, balance 1948-1947	
appropriations	\$1,999.13
Dog tax	199.98
1949 appropriation	10,000.00
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	\$12,199.11

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

of the

TOWN OF BENNINGTON

For Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1949

CERTIFICATE

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

FRIEDRIKA L. EDWARDS,
PHILIP E. KNOWLES,

Trustees.

Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Bennington on December 31, 1949

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	LIBRARY FUNDS								
1933	John D. & Mary C. Butler	New Hampshire Savings Bank	\$1000 00	2 1/2	\$	\$25 04	\$25 04	\$	
1928	Emma F. Gipson	Hillsborough Co. Savings Bank	5000 00	2 1/2		125 78	125 78	125 78	
1928	Emma F. Gipson	Manchester Savings Bank	5000 00	2 1/2		125 39	125 39	125 39	
1928	Emma F. Gipson	Mechanics Savings Bank	5000 00	2 1/2		125 13	125 13	125 13	
1928	Emma F. Gipson	New Hampshire Savings Bank	5000 00	2 1/2		125 22	125 22	125 22	
1928	Emma F. Gipson	Merrimack County Sav. Bank	5000 00	2 1/2		125 26	125 26	125 26	
1928	Emma F. Gipson	Loan & Trust Savings Bank	5000 00	2 1/2		125 78	125 78	125 78	
1928	Emma F. Gipson	Union Trust Company	5978 66	2 1/2		152 48	152 48	152 48	
1928	Mary Butler Jameson EVERGREEN CEMETERY	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	457 50	2		9 14	9 14	9 14	
1913	George L. Herrick Cemetery Fund G. L. Herrick Est.	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2 1/2	85 70	7 22		92 92	
1914	Mrs. A. D. Green Cemetery Fund Mrs. A. D. Green	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2 1/2	78 83	6 92		80 75	
1914	Mrs. C. M. Whitney Cem. Fund Mrs. C. M. Whitney	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2 1/2	71 73	6 87		78 60	

1923	Calvin S. Brown, Cem. Fund C. S. Brown Est.	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00 $\frac{2}{2}$	25 46	3 17	28 63
1928	Cyrus H. Philbrick, Cem. Fund C. H. Philbrick	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00 $\frac{2}{2}$	10 90	5 32	16 22
1928	Ann F. Philbrick Cem. Fund C. H. Philbrick	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00 $\frac{2}{2}$	5 45	2 65	8 10
1929	Lizzie M. Holt, Cem. Fund Lizzie M. Holt	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00 $\frac{2}{2}$	15 32	5 45	20 77
1929	Chas. F. Manahan, Cem. Fund Chas. F. Manahan	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00 $\frac{2}{2}$	5 89	2 67	8 56
1929	Luke Burt, Cem. Fund Sarah Burt	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50 00 $\frac{2}{2}$	2 71	1 32	4 03
1931	John C. Dodge, Cem. Fund Mary F. Leavitt	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00 $\frac{2}{2}$	10 90	5 32	16 22
1931	Enos Vieno, Cem. Fund Enos Vieno Est.	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00 $\frac{2}{2}$	5 45	2 66	8 11
1935	Bradford D. Brown, Cem. Fund Georgetta Bryer	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00 $\frac{2}{4}$	1 26	1 42	2 68
1939	Ellen C. Brown, Cem. Fund Ellen C. Brown	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00 $\frac{2}{4}$	5 04	5 71	10 75
1940	Walter Wilson, Cem. Fund Mary K. Wilson	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00 $\frac{2}{4}$	1 36	1 42	2 78
1942	Sam'l & Jane Dodge, Cem. Fund Nettie Kimball	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00 $\frac{2}{4}$	1 26	1 42	2 68
1943	Thomas Wilson, Cem. Fund Margaret Wilson	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00 $\frac{2}{2}$	4 04	2 08	6 12
1946	Lizzie M. Holt, Cem. Fund Lizzie M. Holt	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank 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 3/4	5 00	3 59		8 59
1916	SUNNYSIDE CEMETERY Trustees Trust Funds A. A. Ramsay	Manchester Savings Bank	600 00		79 79	17 09		96 88
1906	Geo. A. Whittemore Cem. Fund G. A. Whittemore	New Hampshire Savings Bank	300 00	2 1/2	92 24	9 80		102 04
1919	Clara R. Whittemore, Cem. Fund C. R. Whittemore	New Hampshire Savings Bank	100 00	2 1/2	27 63	3 18		30 81
1922	Horace Dinsmore, Cem. Fund Mabel A. Bryant	New Hampshire Savings Bank	100 00	2 1/2	24 16	3 10		27 26
1923	John D. & Moody Butler, Cem. F. Mary B. Jameson	New Hampshire Savings Bank	225 00	2 1/2	54 48	6 98		61 46
1927	Royal V. Knight, Cem. Fund Scott W. Knight	New Hampshire Savings Bank	200 00	2 1/2	27 93	5 68		33 61
1932	Charles F. Burnham, Cem. Fund C. F. Burnham	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00	2 3/4	16 63	5 98		22 61

1934	Bessie W. Call, Cem. Fund	B. W. Call	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	3 82	2 86	6 68
1935	Geo. W. Wilson, Cem. Fund	Ida B. Ware	Peterborough Savings Bank	75 00	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	2 86	2 15	5 01
1935	Betsy R. Brown, Cem. Fund	Georgetta Bryer	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	1 91	1 42	3 33
1936	Nancy Stevens, Cem. Fund	Nancy Stevens	Peterborough Savings Bank	150 00	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	5 71	4 31	10 02
1939	Mary L. Knight, Cem. Fund	Mary L. Knight	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	12 93	5 88	18 81
1941	Frank A. Taylor, Cem. Fund	Grace A. Taylor	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	3 81	2 86	6 67
1942	Fred Kimball Cem. Fund	Nettie Kimball	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	3 82	2 86	6 68
1942	Rodney & Lenore Nichols, Cem. F.	Nettie Kimball	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	3 81	2 86	6 67
1943	Frank Young, Cem. Fund	Helen Young	Peterborough Savings Bank	150 00	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	5 71	4 31	10 02
1945	Sarah Keeser, Cem. Fund	Emma Bartlett	Peterborough Savings Bank	50 00	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	1 90	1 42	3 32
1945	Geo. Alfred Whittemore, Cem. F.	M. W. Mather	Peterborough Savings Bank	200 00	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	7 62	5 74	13 36
1946	Lenora N. O'Leary, Cem. Fund	Lenora N. O'Leary	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	3 79	2 86	6 65
1946	Stephen & Mary Chase, Cem. F.	Mary Chase heirs	Peterborough Savings Bank	125 00	2 $\frac{3}{4}$	4 75	3 58	8 33
1927	Amon M. Symonds, Cem. Fund	Abbie M. Symonds	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	400 00	2	37 53	8 74	2 50
1927	Sam'l Abbott, Cem. Fund	Adeline M. Peavy	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	200 00	2	19 52	4 38	23 90

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1919	Ann M. Eaton, Cem. Fund	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	100 00	2	4 06	2 08		6 14
1937	Chas H. Kimball, Cem. Fund	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	100 00	2	4 06	2 08		6 14
1939	Sam'l Gilman & Lucinda Dodge, C.F.	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	100 00	2	4 06	2 08		6 14
1940	M. Hayward, N. Jemison, J. Knight	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	200 00	2	8 14	4 16		12 30
1940	Amos A. Martin, Cem. Fund	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	327 85	2	56 17	7 68		63 85
1905	Community Fund	Hillsboro Guaranty Sav. Bank	200 00	2 1/2	35 35	5 92		41 27
1906	Anna M. Woodbury, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	200 00	2 1/2	26 96	5 69		32 65
1914	Helen P. Ramsey, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	1766 16	2 1/2	116 24	47 34		163 58
1915	Abram A. Ramsey, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	150 00	2 1/2	13 53	4 10		17 63
	C. J. Kimball, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank						
	C. J. Kimball heirs	Amoskeag Savings Bank						

1916	W. S. Carkin, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	332 20 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	43 52	9 44	52 96
1917	W. S. Carkin Augusta W. Gray, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 45	2 67	9 12
1918	A. W. Gray W. H. Darrah, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50 00 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	2 74	1 31	4 05
1921	Mrs. Sarah Darrah Ed. I. Dodge, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	11 22	2 79	14 01
1925	Mrs. A. M. Dodge Wm. L. Taylor, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	16 06	2 91	18 97
1928	Mrs. Addie Carter Harriet Kimball, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	50 00 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	4 48	1 37	5 85
1928	C. H. Philbrick David W. Bell, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 52	2 71	11 23
1928	Mrs. Caroline Crombie Wm. Keith, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	8 49	2 71	11 20
1930	Wm. Keith Mary Knowles, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00 2 $\frac{1}{2}$	6 60	2 67	9 27
1949	Philip Knowles Edith Dodge, Cem. Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	100 00 2 $\frac{1}{2}$			
	Edith Dodge	Peterborough Savings Bank	100 00 2 $\frac{3}{4}$			

WATER DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR 1949

Bennington, N. H., January 23, 1950.

PUMPING STATION REPORT

Total number of gallons, 12,249,920 over twelve millions.

Number of hours, 1,657.

Cost of power, \$633.43

Cost of attendance, \$185.50

J. FRED MILES, *Superintendent.*

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR

Total collections \$2,239.01

Paid town treasurer \$2,239.01

UNCOLLECTED WATER TAX

1947. George Sullivan	\$5.00
1948. George Sullivan	10.00
1948. Paul Murray	3.34
1948. Roy Davidson	6.25
1949. George Sullivan	2.50
1949. Paul Murray	10.00
1949. Charles Davidson	5.00
1949. Roy Davidson	16.00
1949. Louis Crittsinger	19.00
1949. Herbert Flanders	11.50
1949. Lavender House	29.00
1949. George Whittemore	10.00
1949. Bavelas Estate	15.49

J. FRED MILES, *Collector.*

TOWN HALL REPORT

Month	Rent Receipts	Free Hours	Janitor's Fees and Repairs
January	\$17.00	19	\$46.76
February	9.50	12	42.00
March	2.00	10	41.25
April	6.00	2	24.68
May		9	25.75
June		3½	14.00
July			7.00
August			10.50
September	5.00	3	25.60
October	9.00	25	31.94
November	8.00	21	40.00
December	9.50	46	37.00
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Paid Treasurer	\$66.00	150	\$346.48

P. G. TRAXLER, *Janitor.*

FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT

ENGINE No. 1

- 1 500 gallon pumper with 150 gallon booster tank with
- 200 feet 1-inch booster hose
- 1600 feet of 2½ inch hose
- 250 feet of 1½ inch hose
- 1 Soda acid extinguisher
- 1 Foam type extinguisher
- 1 Fire gun
- 1 Roof ladder
- 1 Extension ladder
- 1 Smoke mask
- 1 First aid kit

ENGINE No. 2

- 75 gallon pump with 125 gallon booster tank
- 150 feet 1-inch booster hose
- 800 feet 1½-inch hose
- 3 ladders
- 4 extinguishers
- 24 shovels
- 1 smoke mask
- 1 first aid kit
- 1 Co 2 extinguisher

OTHER EQUIPMENT

- 2 long ladders
- 12 Indian pumpers
- 1 portable pump
- 1 trailer
- 1 Emerson Resuscitator

1 dry powder extinguisher

NEW EQUIPMENT BOUGHT IN 1949

1 dry powder extinguisher

200 feet 1 inch booster hose for No. 1 Engine

2 soda acid extinguishers

4 new tires and tubes for No. 1 Engine

1 1½ fog nozzle

FIRE ALARM BOXES ARE LOCATED

One at town hall

One at Drug Store

To operate: open door. pull down hook once and let go
—and *STAY* at the box until firemen arrive.

12 and 6 blasts for fire.

1 blast Monday each month at 6:45 P. M. for fire meet-
ing.

2 blasts at 12:45 P. M. every Saturday for test.

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

1 long blast, shut off water at any time.

REPORT OF CALLS

Chimney fires, 15

Dump fires, 2

False alarm, 1

Grass fire, 1

Building, 1

Power station, 1

The fire wards recommend buying 100 feet of 2½-inch
hose and 100 feet of 1½-inch hose.

Repairs to Engine No. 1 cost more than was expected
due to drive shaft breaking on way to repair shop.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN D. ARMSTRONG,
PAUL TRAXLER,
IVON W. CLOUGH.

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Forest Fires — our Most Shameful Waste

Everyone apparently fears fire but too many are careless with it. This is particularly true of fires in and near woodlands. Official figures show that more than 98 per cent of all forest fires result from human carelessness and can be prevented. Consequently, we may say "Forest Fires are our most shameful waste".

Annual forest fire losses are tremendous and their effects far reaching. Such fires destroy the raw products of the forests, the protection forests provide for game and the supply of ground water. They upset local economies by drawing men from gainful employment and requiring the expenditure of public funds to extinguish them.

Our forest fire organization is doing a good job in keeping the size of fires small but the number of fires is increasing. In 1949 there were 100 more fires in New Hampshire than in 1948, but they burned 500 acres less. For the warden and his deputies to do the job they are capable of, they must have the cooperation of the public — YOU!

The primary objective of all fire fighters is *prevention* — fire stoppage. This is the goal toward which your forest fire warden and his deputies are constantly working. It can be achieved *only* if *you* and *you* cooperate with them. It is with *your* effort and can be accomplished by:

1. Being careful with fire in or near woodland, being particularly careful with matches and cigarettes.

2. Securing the required *written permit* from the warden when the ground is not covered with snow.

3. Insisting that others be careful and comply with burning requirements.

4. Calling the warden promptly when fire is detected and aiding him to extinguish it.

Let's reduce the number of forest fires and eliminate our most shameful waste.

1949 Fire Record

Number of Fires, None

Acreage Burned, None

Number of fire permits issued

LAURENCE J. PARKER,

Forest Fire Warden.

GUY O. HOLLIS,

District Chief.

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

January 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949

Receipts

Cash on hand January 1, 1949	\$366.22
Trust Funds	750.81
Town Appropriation	200.00
Total	<hr/> \$1,317.03

Expenditures

Mary K. Wilson, librarian	\$275.00
Georgietta Bryer, assistant librarian	37.00
Steve Yakovakis, janitor service	150.00
Hafeli Fuel and Ice co., fuel oil, 1366 gallons	168.27
Public Service Co., lights	42.64
Henry W. Wilson Agency, insurance	50.48
Books	113.71
Magazine subscriptions	33.25
Paul G. Traxler, labor and electrical supplies	126.51
Stephen Chase, labor and supplies	20.00
National Slate Roofing Co., repairs to slate roof	117.00
Derby's Store, clock	17.95
Orvel B. Pierce, furnace repairs	11.35

Howard N. Chase, painting	7.50
Bank service charges	6.90
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Total expenses	\$1,177.56
Cash on hand December 31, 1949	139.47
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	\$1,317.03

Respectfully submitted,

PHILI PE. KNOWLES, *Treasurer*

Approved:

Ruth Cody
Mary D. Shea

Life
The Ladies Home Journal
The Readers Digest
The Saturday Evening Post
The National Geographic
The Popular Mechanics
Seventeen
Magazines by Gift
Fortune
General Federation Clubwoman
The Christian Science Monitor
Life of the Soldier and Airman
Boy's Life
The Mirror

(Paper written by pupils of Pierce School)

MARY K. WILSON, *Librarian.*

**ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT
TREASURER**

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1949

Cash on hand June 30, 1948 (Treasurer's	
bank balance	\$129.47
Received from Selectmen, appropriation	
for current year	\$12,499.00
Balance of previous appropriation	500.13
Dog tax	199.98
Income from trust funds.	
Received from State Treasurer	2,139.10
Received from all other sources	1,775.00
	\$17,113.21
Total amount available for fiscal year	\$17,242.68
Less School Board orders paid	16,717.77
	\$524.91
Balance on hand as of June 30, 1949 (Treasurer's bank balance)	

MARY K. WILSON,
District Treasurer.

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 and other financial records of the School Board of Bennington, N. H., of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1949, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

FRIEDA L. EDWARDS,
WALTER D. 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 tenth day of March 1950, 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 sum 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 obligations 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 see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate, in addition to the original appropriation for the 1949-1950 school year, a sum of \$600.00 to be made available to the school district prior to July 1, 1950 in order to meet unanticipated obligations caused by unforeseen increases in tuition rates and transportation charges.

10. To see if the district will vote to authorize the school board to sell to the F. W. Butler Camp, Sons of Veterans and Auxiliary, for one dollar plus all legal costs; any rights, title or interest which the district has to or in the old school house lot on which is located the building known as Auxiliary Hall, and to authorize the school board to execute any contracts deemed necessary, proper, or advisable in connection with said transfer.

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

Given under our hands at said Bennington this 16th day of February, 1950.

HELEN M. POWERS,
DORIS M. PARKER,
STEPHEN CHASE

School Board of Bennington

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

HELEN M. POWERS,
DORIS M. PARKER,
STEPHEN CHASE

School Board of Bennington

FINANCIAL REPORT

OF THE BENNINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Fiscal Year, July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949

Receipts

Federal Aid, None	
State Aid:	
Equalization:	\$2,139.10
Local Taxation:	
Current appropriation	12,499.00
Balance of 1947-1948 appropriation	500.13
Other Sources:	
Dog licenses	199.98
Elementary school tuitions	1,760.00
All other sources	15.00
	\$17,113.21
Cash on hand July 1, 1948	129.47
	\$17,242.68
Payments, Grand Total	\$16,717.77
Cash on hand for teachers retirement	524.91
	\$17,242.68

ITEMIZATION OF PAYMENTS OF THE BENNINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

Fiscal Year, July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949

Payments

Administration

Salaries of District officers:

Stephen Chase, chairman of school board	\$75.00
Helen Powers, member of school board	50.00
Doris M. Parker, member of school board	50.00
J. Prentiss Weston, moderator	5.00
J. Fred Miles, clerk	5.00
Mary K. Wilson, treasurer	50.00

\$235.00

Superintendent's Excess Salary:

District's share	\$344.44
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\$344.44

Truant Officer and Census:

Addie J. French, census	\$10.00
Edward French, truant officer	5.00

\$15.00

Expenses of Administration:

R. E. Lane, enumeration cards	\$2.85
District's share of superintendents clerical expenses	27.80
Cabinet Press, report cards	14.00
World Book Co., tests	11.08
First National Bank, Hillsboro, activity charge	.25
Southwestern N. H. Transportation Co.	1.70
Express charge	1.26
Cheshire Photo Engravers	12.26
Mary K. Wilson, expenses as treasurer	6.00
First National Bank, Hillsboro, activity charges	1.10

\$78.30

Instruction

Principals' and Teachers' Salaries:

Ruth Cody, principal 7th & 8th , grades	\$2000.00
Lulu Cilley, 5th & 6th grades	2,000.00
Jessie Black, 3rd & 4th grades	2,000.00
Hene Parker, 1st & 2nd grades	2,000.00
Herman Hill, music all 8 grades	30.00
Kenneth Jewett, fine arts, 8 grades	430.00
Mary K. Wilson, substitute teacher	78.00

\$8,053.85

Less withholding tax, teachers retirement and Blue Cross

484.15

\$8,538.00

Textbooks:

Beckley-Cardy Co.	\$19.26
Scott Foresman Co.	73.88
Houghton Mufflin Co.	37.09
Beckley-Cardy Co.	8.67
American Book Co.	2.51
The MacMullan Co.	4.00
Scott Foresman Co.	37.65
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	\$183.06

Scholars' Supplies:

Edward Babb Co.	\$135.70
Scott Foresman Co.	36.32
Cascade Paper Co.	17.94
Warner-Dowling Co.	22.80
Gledhill Bros. Co.	14.30
Kinsman Paper Co.	18.75
H. S. Kinsman Co., Inc.	15.05
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	\$260.86

Flags and Appurtenances

Other Expenses of Instruction

Martin Murray Co., Inc.	\$55.45
Educators' Progress Service	34.78
F. A. Owen Publishing Co.	14.00
E. M. Hale Co.	44.10
Frontier Press Co., Boston	18.15
Encyclopedia Britannica, Inc.	79.90
Scott Foresman Co.	4.50
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	\$250.88

Operation and Maintenance of School Plant

Janitor's Salary:

J. Fred Miles	\$900.00	
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Fuel:

Hafeli Fuel & Ice Co.	\$161.77	
		\$161.77

Water, Light and Janitors' Supplies:

Public Service Co. of N. H.	\$41.62	
J. L. Holcombe Co.	60.90	
A. F. Edmunds	10.97	
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Minor Repairs and Expenses:

Alfred Perry	\$29.26	
J. L. Hammett Co.	3.76	
Howard M. Chase	7.00	
West Disinfecting Co.	13.10	
J. L. Holcombe Co.	22.75	
Harry F. Pierce	3.00	
Stephen Chase	3.76	
Tolles Bickford Lumber Co.	27.50	
Thompson Hoague Co.	35.95	
Edward E. Babb Co.	15.80	
J. Fred Miles	16.25	
Paul Traxler	5.62	
Stephen Chase	77.00	
Paul Traxler	8.43	
J. H. Lindsay & Son	6.38	
C. & W. Heating Co.	2.84	

Paul Traxler	1.12	
Alfred Perry	18.18	
	<hr/>	\$297.70

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities

Health Supervision:

Martha Parker	\$300.25	
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Transportation of Pupils:

J. Herbert Lindsay	\$973.50	
		\$973.50

Payment of Tuitions:

Peterborough School District	\$1,302.66	
Hillsboro Special School District	1,790.76	
Hancock Educational Association	238.11	
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Other Special Activities:

Marion Cleary	\$6.40	
Philip Morris Co.	9.30	
		\$15.70

Fixed Charges:

Tax for State wide supervision	\$206.00	
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Insurance and Other Fixed Charges:

Henry W. Wilson Agency	\$94.78	
		\$94.78

Outlay for Construction and Equipment

Alterations of Old Buildings:

C. & W. Heating Co.	\$520.44	
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		\$520.44

New Equipment:

Derby's Inc.	\$31.95	
Gledhill Bros.	18.21	
Edward E. Babb Co.	8.61	
H. S. Kinsman	71.81	
C. & W. Heating Co.	250.64	
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		\$381.22

Total payments for all purposes \$16,717.77

The amount \$524.91 shown as a cash balance in the treasurers account had to be held in reserve to meet the District Assessment for Teachers' Retirement for 1949.

When the books were closed June 30, 1949 there was a bill before the legislature to raise this figure. July 29th we were notified there had been no change and the assessment was to stand; 5% of the teachers salaries, or \$400.00.

HELEN M. POWERS,
Chairman of Bennington School Board.

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.

HELEN M. POWERS,
DORIS M. PARKER,
STEPHEN CHASE,

School Board.

**PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE
BENNINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**

1950 - 1951

Administration:

Salaries of district officers	\$260.00
Superintendent's salary (local share)	383.75
Tax for state wide supervision	248.00
Salaries other administrative personel	307.00
Supplies and expenses	225.00

Instruction:

Teachers' salaries	9800.00
Books and other instructional aids	400.00
Scholars' supplies	300.00
Supplies and other expenses	25.00

Operation of School Plant:

Salary of janitor	1,080.00
Fuel	650.00
Water, light, supplies and expenses	300.00

Auxiliary Activities:

Health supervision	450.00
Transportation	1,400.00
Tuition, High school	6,300.00
Special activities	70.00

Fixed Charges:

Retirement	515.00
Insurance, Treasurer bond, expenses	200.00

Maintenance School Plant:

Repairs and replacements	500.00
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Capital Outlay:

New equipment	75.00
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Total	\$23,488.75
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Estimated Income:

Balance on hand July 1, 1950	None
State aid	\$2,451.48
District assessment to be raised by taxes locally	\$21,037.27

HELEN M. POWERS,
DORIS M. PARKER,
STEPHEN CHASE,

School Board.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

SCHOOL ORGANIZATION

School Board: Mrs. Helen Powers, chairman; Mrs. Doris Parker; Mr. Stephen Chase

Superintendent of Schools: Stewart V. McCormack

School Nurse: Mrs. Martha Parker, R. N.

School Physician: Maurice Helpern, M. D.

School Custodian: J. Fred Miles

Teachers: Mrs. Ruth Cody, principal; Miss Lulu Cilley, Mrs. Jessie Black (on leave); Mrs. John Luoma; Miss Louise Harrison.

Fine Arts Supervisor: Mr. Kenneth Jewett

General Report

One of the finest schools in the whole state is Pierce School of Bennington with its forward-looking program of child development and education. The program really has to be seen to be fully appreciated. The fact remains however, that we have to get our budget accepted by citizens who can't possibly visit school and therefore the annual report must contain a modest report of the educational program.

The primary purpose of the school is to prepare each child to become a better citizen than he could possibly have become if he hadn't attended Pierce School. To become a better citizen, a child needs good teachers who

understand his needs and the principles of democracy. Your teachers not only are well prepared for their jobs, but they also attended summer training school at Keene Teachers College to bring themselves in touch with possible latest discoveries concerning child training. At the Teachers' and Parents' Workshop in Henniker in November, Bennington teachers were leaders in their groups.

The first job of the child in school is to learn how to read and to acquire the other necessary tools of learning such as arithmetic . A good citizen must know how to get the necessary knowledge concerning whatever job he's going to do.

A second and very important part of the education of a child should be expert instruction in the ways of democratic living. After forty or fifty years of experimenting, it is definitely known that children don't learn very much about the democratic way of life from a dictator behind the teacher's desk. It is also known that democracy tends to break down whenever children who don't understand and love democracy, grow into adults, because such adults are used to having someone tell them what to do. The democratic way of life requires thinking and responsible consideration of each problem of citizenship.

Under the capable leadership of Mrs. Cody, your school has made great strides in developing the interests and abilities of the pupils along every phase of learning. Excellent work has been done in the field of Fine Arts under the most capable direction of Mr. Jewett. This program has helped each child become a more socially acceptable individual in the various group activities as well as contributing to his bank of knowledge. The recreation and physical education program has been reactivated with much success. All these group activities give opportuni-

ties for the development and experience of child leadership and true democratic experience.

Schools which allow children to live or practise democratic living and government have certain marked characteristics:

a. It is well disciplined from within each child citizen who understands his responsibility to his fellow child citizens and to his teachers.

b. It has constant opportunities for group consideration of problems of the classroom and school. Loyalty to the teacher as a guide is deep, but frank discussion of the problem is helped by the teacher.

c. Children with exceptional ability in a certain area of learning are asked to contribute by the group, of their talents where needed. Every child has some talent which is needed by the group.

d. Children in such situations develop a clearer understanding of rich opportunities open to them in a democratic nation and the necessity of helping to preserve it.

Children in these schools understand more fully the objectives of the school and thereby do better work all along.

In brief, the Pierce School program is developing 100% citizens who should know how to live democratically. Some people seem surprised that many a prize scholar turns up as a lover of communism or some type of foreign government. Educators know however, that ALL children including the book learner, must experience democratic living if they are to be expected to preserve our form of government. We are dangerously near to lacking enough people who love and understand the democratic process, to save our precious form of government from being swallowed up by other idealologies. Proper education can save the day if it is done fast enough and thoroughly enough.

The Budget

Most of our increased costs as reflected in the proposed budget are due to increased costs of High School Tuitions. Both Peterboro and Hillsboro will charge \$210.00 per pupil for next year. The average cost to educate a child in any grade in New Hampshire last year was \$229.00. Our costs were under \$175.00 per pupil. For the current year costs will continue to rise above the state average of \$229.00 but our average cost will be \$180.00. These figures will serve to illustrate that we are operating at less than average cost but examination of our results show that your school is giving you excellent service per dollar spent.

The only weak part in our new budget is that of teachers' salaries where our allowance is probably not high enough for us to compete in the open market for the kind of teachers we've had this year in Bennington — if we have to go out and compete.

There is no particular honor in having a wasteful budget. Neither are good schools operated by niggards. We have tried to present a fair budget for your serious consideration.

Conclusion

As our former Commissioner of Education, Dr. Edgar Fuller, recently suggested, "New times demand new schools. Rote learning, lock-step teaching, "busy work" which wheedles hours away in meaningless memorizing or pointless copying are not suited to the needs of growing boys and girls."

Due to the fine cooperation of your School Board; Helen Powers, Stephen Chase, and Doris Parker, we have been enabled to bring the program at Pierce School reasonably

up to date. The tremendous leadership of Mrs. Cody has given you the greatest team of teachers ever to work in your schools. In their classrooms, your boys and girls are living happily and working hopefully as friends and neighbors, building the foundations of a better community and a democratic world.

This program will succeed and prosper as long as each and every citizen in the community accepts his responsibility to continually work for better educational programs for the boys and girls of Bennington. They are our PRESENT investment in the world of tomorrow.

I feel privileged to have been a part in the development of the Pierce School program and am deeply indebted to the teachers for their unselfish devotion to their tremendous task. The enthusiastic participation of the parents has been a great help to the prosperity of the school. Children, by nature, are forward looking. Those who work with them must look ahead too.

Respectfully submitted,

STEWART V. McCORMACK,

Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

From February 1949 to February 1950

To Mr. Stewart V. McCormack, Superintendent, School Board and Citizens of Bennington:

Number of pupils weighed and measured	99
Number of pupils examined	91
Number of pupils visions tested	94
Number of pupils hearing tested	90
Number of pupils pediculosis (attended)	1
Number of pupils speech	2
Number of pupils poor nutrition	4
Number of pupils systolic murmur (heart)	5
Number of pupils teeth to be attended to	19
Number of pupils tonsils	17
Number of pupils enlarged glands	6

Physicals were done by Dr. M. Helpern during January, 1950.

Ears were tested with audiometer which was secured from Antrim Red Cross at a cost of \$5.00 which was paid by Bennington Red Cross.

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

Respectfully submitted,
MARTHA PARKER, R. N.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF PIERCE SCHOOL

To the Superintendent, School Board and Citizens of
Bennington:

This year a special effort has been made to correlate the school program with student interests. In September the students and teachers decided that there were certain school activities which had been started the previous year which were basically good but in need of improvement. This decision resulted in the choosing of four major activities to be carried on by the entire school.

First it was decided that the school paper "*The Pierce School Mirror*" should be published on a monthly rather than a quarterly basis. It was also decided that "*The Mirror*" should be correlated with English, Social Studies and all other subjects to the fullest possible extent; in the hope that it might bring to the parents and friends a true picture of Pierce School. We are very grateful for our mimeograph which has made this paper possible.

Secondly it was decided to reform the former Monitor system into a democratic student government consisting of a Mayor, Council and Court. The council was composed of two students from each room who met each week to discuss and attempt to solve the problems of the school. The Mayor, judges and members of the Council were chosen by the entire student body. Special sessions of the Court and Council were called when they were required.

It was also decided that athletics and social activities were an important part of school life. They offer an excellent opportunity for both leadership and team work. In the fall the boys played baseball and the girls Volley ball. On rainy nights when out door activities were impossible square dancing was taught to both girls and boys who were interested.

In November basketball became the activity for girls and boys. This spring we intend to resume baseball for the boys; soft ball, Volley ball and soccer for the girls if there is sufficient interest. We also plan to continue with our square dancing in the spring.

Mr. Jewett, our fine arts director has been teaching ball room dancing to all groups. Monthly parties have been held to give the children an opportunity to plan and play together.

The fourth major activity chosen was dramatics. Our first venture presented on Education Night was a student written version of "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow". The children enjoyed doing this so much that they asked if they might write a mystery play. The request was granted and the result was "The Mystery of Hazelnut Castle" which required research, writing, working together and individually planning and painting the scenery, choosing and fitting costumes, drawing posters, planning and mimographing the programs. The cooperation of the entire group was necessary in order to make this production a success. The children were ably helped in this activity by Mr. Jewett.

In the fall we were glad to have an opportunity to show our appreciation to a group of the town's people by mimographing the Year Books for the Bennington Woman's Club. The school has tried to cooperate whenever possible and have enjoyed helping with both Polio and Red Cross drives.

In September sewing classes for the girls and craft work for the boys in grades 7 and 8 were started.

Music and art have been closely connected with other school subjects.

We feel that by having the school program closely related to pupil interests the basic skills were developed and that because of interest the children have applied themselves more dilligently. One tangible proof that it has worked was the fact that the school attendance during the past year has been greatly improved.

In conclusion, we wish to thank our Superintendent, School Board and citizens for the cooperation and interest which have made this past year most enjoyable.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH CODY.

Report of Sexton of Bennington, N. H. for the Year Jan. 1, 1949—Dec. 31, 1949

NAME	AGE		BURIAL	BROUGHT FROM	PLACE OF INTERMENT
	Yr.	Mo. Dy.			
Edward Albert Newton	88	1 22	Jan. 2 ^d	Bennington, N. H.	Sunnyside Cemetery
Helen Maria Fourmier	74	5 10	Jan. 18	Francesstown, N. H.	Sunnyside Cemetery
Harry Hale Ross	76	1 15	Mar. 15	Bennington, N. H.	Sunnyside Cemetery
Annie Shea	83	1 4	April 4	Concord, N. H.	Mt. Calvary Cemetery
Frank L. Felton	38	8 20	May 22		Evergreen Cemetery
Florence Ingatis Johnson	71	8 29	June 29	New Boston, N. H.	Evergreen Cemetery
Henry Westley Wilson	86	8 10	July 18	Bennington, N. H.	Sunnyside Cemetery
Hattie Athelia Wilson	75	8 17	Aug. 17	Concord, N. H.	Sunnyside Cemetery
Mary Dina Wync (Wine)	78	8 13	Oct. 8	Antrim, N. H.	Mt. Calvary Cemetery
Richard Tremblay		1 1	Oct. 11	Peterboro, N. H.	Mt. Calvary Cemetery
Abbie Olive Hansale	69		Dec. 2	Peterboro, N. H.	Mt. Calvary Cemetery
Abbie Ann Dean	11	9	Dec. 17	Branchburg T'wn p.N.J.	Sunnyside Cemetery

Respectfully Submitted, WILLIAM J. TAYLOR, Sexton.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Registered in the Town of Bennington, N. H. for the Year Ending
December 31, 1949

Date of Birth 1949	Name of Child	Sex	No.	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Jan. 1	Peter Arnold Sysyn	M	1	Nicolas Sysyn	Nora Diamond	Manchester	Peterboro
Feb. 5	Cynthia Ann Newhall	F	3	Laurence Newhall	Ellen Chamberlain	No. Bennington	Peterboro
Feb. 22	Paula J. Chute	F	2	William Chute, Jr.	Jeanette Martin	Hancock	Haverhill, Mass.
Mar. 10	Paul Daniel Traxler	M	1	Philip Traxler	Elsie McInnis	Bennington	Hancock
Mar. 19	Richard Cedric Aldrich	M	4	Tracey Aldrich	Arlene Couser	Gilford	Littleton
Mar. 29	Adreanne Lee Lindsay	F	1	John Lindsay	Judith O'Roak	Bennington	Sherman Mills, Me.
June 3	Fred Swett	M	5	Carl Swett	Alice Fenerty	Antrim	Foxboro, Mass.
June 29	Bruce Brown Felton	M		Frank Felton	Maxine Brown	Marlboro, Mass.	Bennington
June 29	Bradford Brown Felton	M		Frank Felton	Maxine Brown	Marlboro, Mass.	Bennington
July 22	Sandra Lee Parker	F	1	Laurence Parker	Joyce Avery	Nashua	Sharon, Vt.
Sept. 7	Maurice Lowe Paige	F	3	Maurice Paige	Verna Lowe	Frances town	Greenfield
Oct. 7	John Lester MacNutt, Jr.	M	6	John MacNutt	Blanche Cripps	Mansfield, Mass.	Hyde Park, Mass.
Oct. 31	Robert Errol Robinson	M	2	Robert Robinson	Hazel Rich	Wilton	Glendale, R. I.
Nov. 15	Evelyn Terry	F	3	Noel Terry	Sarabelle Baker	Steelville, Missouri	Sullivan, Missouri

Note: Children, All Living. Color: All White. Parents: 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.

**Marriages Registered in the Town of Bennington, N. H. for the Year Ending
December 31, 1949**

Date and Place of Marriage 1949	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each At Time of Marriage, and Age in Years	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Birthplace of Parents
June 25 Marlboro	Francis Herbert Davy Mary Alice Lang	Bennington 42 Marlboro 42	Penacook Troy	Herbert H. Davy Eva M. Chapman Charles G. Lang	Proctorsville, Vt. Windsor, Vt. Boston, Mass.
June 26 Peterborough	Andrew Miller Raymond St. Lawrence	Peterborough 26 Bennington 17	Walnut Creek, Ohio Bennington	Rose L. Perreault Marmelos D. Miller Lizzie A. Yoder Charles Holland	Essex, Vt. Walnut Creek, Ohio Sugar Creek, Ohio Yakertown, Pa.
August 20 Bennington	Frances P. Holland Lucy Mistica Azzola	Hillsboro 27 Bennington 21	Hillsboro Italy	Aime St. Lawrence Nellie Dumas Fred Azzola Frances Bernardi	Antrim, Suncook Italy Italy

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, 1949

Date of Death 1949	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
			Years	Months	Days			
Mar. 12	Bennington	Harry Ross	76	1	15	Bennington	George W. Ross	Almira Phelps
April 30	Peterborough	Horace Hooper	63	5	18	New Boston	Thomas Wood Hooper	Minnie M. Bartlett
July 16	Bennington	Henry Wilson	86	8	10	Bennington	Wm. Henry Wilson	Mary Ann Wilson
Nov. 29	Peterborough	Abbie Hansle	69	6	0	Winchendon, Mass.	George Dorr	Lizzie Miller

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.

