

Annual Reports

of the

Town Officers

of

ALSTEAD

NEW HAMPSHIRE

for the Year Ending December 31, 1951

and

School District Officers

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TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen

FRANK C. DUSTIN HARRY A. SPOONER
JOHN G. DAVENPORT

Treasurer

MARIE A. RADCLIFFE

Town Clerk

HENRY C. METCALF

Road Agent

EARL M. PITCHER

Moderator

H. LEROY ESTABROOK

Ballot Clerks

LEON M. TROW HERBERT GALE
HEMAN CHASE GUY S. NEAL

Tax Collector

GILMAN O. ELLIS

Trustees of Trust Funds

H. LEROY ESTABROOK EDITH F. PROVOST
GILMAN O. ELLIS

School Board

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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

TOWN WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Alstead in the County of Cheshire in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Vilas High School in said Alstead on Tuesday, the Eleventh day of March, next at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

(Polls Will Be Open 9 a. m. to 6 p. m.)

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.
3. To see what sum of money the town will raise for old age assistance, and for the support of the poor.
4. To see what sums of money the town will raise for highways and bridges.
5. To see what sum of money the town will raise to oil the Village Streets and other Town roads that may need it.
6. To see if the town will raise \$1,857.00 for State Aid Construction Alstead-Gilsum road, the State to contribute \$5,571.00.
7. To see if the town will raise \$628.20 for TRA construction, the State to contribute \$4,188.00.
8. To see what sum of money the town will raise to reduce the truck and snow plow note.

9. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to sell real estate acquired by tax sale.

10. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

11. To see if the town will raise \$100.00 for the purchase of one acre of land adjoining Pine Grove cemetery.

12. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the care of cemeteries.

13. To see if the town will raise \$24.00 for water rent for the watering trough.

14. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the support of the library.

15. To see if the town will raise \$70.00 for Memorial Day.

16. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the care of parks and playgrounds.

17. To see if the town will raise money for a 6,000 lumen street light on the corner of Mechanic and Main streets.

18. To see what sum of money the town will raise for street lights.

19. To see if the town will raise \$645.00 for the purchase of a resuscitator to be used by the Fire Department.

20. To see if the town will raise \$1,300.00 for fire protection and for the support of the fire company and for the purchase of fire fighting equipment.

21. To see if the town will raise \$150.00 for the Police Department for the protection of persons and property.

22. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the care and maintenance of the town clock.

23. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$400.00 for the control of pine Blister Rust.

24. To see what action the town will take to rent and maintain land for a public dump, and raise money for the same.

25. To see if the town will vote to raise \$150.00 for the Elliot Community Hospital. By request.

26. To see if the town will accept a trust fund of \$100.00 to be known as the James A. Labaree Fund, to be held by the town as Cemetery Trust Funds.

27. To see if the town will accept a trust fund of \$100.00 to be known as the Goss Fund, to be held by the town as Cemetery Trust Funds.

28. To see if the town will accept a trust fund of \$250.00 to be known as the Florence Forrestall Fund, to be held by the town as Cemetery Trust Funds.

29. To hear reports of the Committee and to see if the town will raise \$160.00 to purchase a bronze plaque to be placed on the boulder near the water trough in Alstead Village commemorating the founding of the Town of Alstead in 1763.

30. To see if the town will vote to adopt a plan for extending to employees of the town the benefits of title II of the Federal Social Security Act (Old Age and Survivors' Insurance) as authorized by Chapter 234 of the Laws of 1951 and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125.00 to defray the town's share of the cost thereof.

31. If the foregoing article is adopted, to see if the town will authorize the selectmen to execute on behalf of the town the necessary agreement with the State of New Hampshire to carry into effect the plan and to see if the town will designate the Town Treasurer as the officer responsible for the administration of the plan.

32. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$123.00 (1/100th of 1% of the valuation of the Town) to the Monadnock Region Association of Southern New Hampshire for issuance and distribution of printed matter,

newspaper and magazine advertising, and by other means calling attention to the resources and natural advantages of the Town, in cooperation with the other thirty-seven towns of the Monadnock Region.

33. To see if the town will raise the sum of \$100.00 for cleaning up and grading the Town Hall site.

34. To see what disposition the town wishes to make of the \$200.00 raised in 1951 for Civil Defense.

35. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 18th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-two.

FRANK C. DUSTIN,
HARRY A. SPOONER,
JONATHAN G. DAVENPORT.

Selectmen of Alstead.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

FRANK C. DUSTIN,
HARRY A. SPOONER,
JONATHAN G. DAVENPORT.

Selectmen of Alstead.

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF ALSTEAD

ESTIMATES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES FOR
THE ENSUING YEAR JAN. 1, 1952 TO DEC. 31, 1952
COMPARED WITH
ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL REVENUE, APPROPRIATIONS
AND EXPENDITURES OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR
JAN. 7, 1951 TO DEC. 31, 1951

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1951	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1951	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1952
From state:			
Interest and dividends tax	\$2,000 00	\$2,095 17	\$2,000 00
Savings bank tax	265 00	282 48	265 00
Reimbursement a/e exemption of growing wood and timber	2,665 98	3,108 60	2,500 00
For fighting forest fires		8 52	
Reimbursement a/e old age assistance		439 68	
From local sources except taxes:			
Dog licenses	300 00	358 58	300 00
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	25 00	16 50	15 00
Rent of town hall and other buildings		15 00	
Interest received on taxes and deposits	500 00	472 15	300 00
Income from trust funds	3,000 00	3,910 24	3,500 00
Income of departments:			
(a) Highway, including rental of equipment	800 00	965 51	800 00
Sale of cemetery lot		25 00	

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1951	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1951	Estimated Revenue Ensuuing Year 1952
Income from municipally owned utilities:			
(b) Electric light departments			
Vilas pool	18 00	15 00	15 00
Motor vehicle permit fees	2,000 00	2,749 74	2,500 00
Sale of town property, tax deeded	100 00	75 00	100 00
From local taxes other than property taxes:			
(a) Poll taxes—Reg. @ \$2	750 00	722 00	750 00
(b) National bank stock taxes	12 50	12 50	12 50
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Total revenues from all sources except property taxes	\$13,436 48	\$15,271 67	\$13,057 50
*Amount to be raised by property taxes			60,631 87
Total revenues			<hr/> \$73,689 37

*Total estimated "Revenues from All sources except Property Taxes" deducted from Total estimated "Expenditures" should give estimated "Amount to be raised by Property Taxes."

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Appropriations Previous Year 1951	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1951	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1952
Current maintenance expenses:			
General government:			
Town officers' salaries	\$2,200 00	\$2,159 16	\$2,200 00
Town officers' expenses	1,800 00	2,063 43	2,000 00
Election and registration expenses	100 00	49 95	125 00
Expenses town hall and other town buildings		10 80	200 00
Protection of persons and property:			
Police department	250 00	108 37	150 00
Fire department	1,300 00	1,574 00	1,300 00
Moth extermination—blister rust			400 00
Audit, S. T. C.	125 00		150 00
Health:			
Vital statistics	20 00	4 50	50 00
Town dump and garbage removal	200 00	189 10	200 00
Highways and bridges:			
Town maintenance—oiling	2,500 00		2,500 00
Town maintenance—winter	8,500 00	11,771 26	8,500 00
Street lighting	1,175 00	1,188 96	1,188 96
Trees	100 00	25 00	
Town road aid	628 30	628 30	628 30
Public welfare:			
Town poor	1,200 00	884 17	1,200 00
Old age assistance	1,300 00	1,098 35	1,300 00
Patriotic purposes:			
Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	50 00	50 00	50 00
Recreation:			
Parks and playground, incl. band concerts	125 00	146 00	150 00

	Appropriations Previous Year 1951	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1951	Estimated * Expenditures Ensuing Year 1952
Public service enterprises :			
Municipally owned water trough	24 00	40 68	24 00
Cemeteries	500 00	516 50	500 00
Air raid center	200 00		
Unclassified :			
Damages and legal expenses, incl. dog damage	100 00		150 00
Town clock	25 00	20 00	25 00
Interest :			
On temporary loans	300 00	445 83	450 00
On long term notes	300 00	233 20	200 00
Outlay for new construction and perm. improvements :			
Highways and bridges :			
State aid construction—town's share	1,794 00		1,857 00
Bridge construction		2,850 00	
Indebtedness :			
Payment on principal of debt :			
(a) Old truck note	400 00	400 00	
(b) Long term notes, new truck	1,500 00	1,500 00	2,000 00
(c) Payment to capital reserve funds	10,125 00	10,125 00	
(d) Temporary loans		15,000 00	
Payments to other govern- mental divisions :			
County taxes	3,554 41	3,554 11	3,554 11
School taxes	33,801,23	31,095 55	42,637 00
Total expenditures	\$74,196 94	\$87,732 52	\$73,689 37

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

SUMMARY INVENTORY

Of Valuation for the Tax Year 1951

1.	Lands and buildings (exclusive of growing wood and timber)	\$1,123,145 00
	Electric plants, 2	54,160 00
	Sheep and goats, 19	240 00
	Horses, 69	3,150 00
	Oxen, 6	700 00
	Cows, 259	37,930 00
	Other neat stock, 20	1,950 00
	Fowls, 1,230	1,230 00
	Vehicles, 1	500 00
	Wood, lumber	8,869 00
	Gasoline pumps and tanks	1,590 00
	Stock in trade	39,528 00
	Mills and machinery	8,500 00
	Portable mills, 8	13,850 00
		\$1,295,342 00
	Total valuation	
	Amount of property valuation exempted to soldiers and blind	57,250 00
		\$1,238,092 00
	Net valuation on which tax rate is computed	
	Average rate of taxation per \$100 valuation for all purposes	\$4.15

ELECTRIC AND GAS UTILITY COMPANIES

Name of company :

New England Power Co.	\$7,130 00
Granite State Electric Co.	35,460 00
Public Service Co.	11,570 00
\$54,160 00	

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description :

1.	Furniture and equipment	\$280 00
2.	Libraries, land and buildings	175,000 00
	Equipment	5,000 00
3.	Police department, lands and buildings	210 00
4.	Fire department, lands and buildings	4,200 00
	Equipment	3,500 00
5.	Highway department, lands and buildings	900 00
	Equipment	16,000 00
6.	Parks, commons and playground	16,000 00
7.	Schools, land and buildings	217,000 00
8.	All lands and buildings acquired through tax collector's deeds :	
	Shadow land lots	1,100 00
	Blake-French land	50 00
	French mining rights	500 00
	Keith property	1,600 00
	Fitzgibb mine	100 00
	Noble Smith farm	250 00
	Stevens lot	300 00
	Pearson lot	330 00
	Dalbot Inc.	100 00
	Stowel land and buildings	200 00
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		\$442,620 00

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Frank C. Dustin, selectman	\$300 00
Harry A. Spooner, selectman	300 00
John G. Davenport, selectman	300 00
Gilman O. Ellis, tax collector	300 00
Marie A. Radcliffe, treasurer	250 00
Henry C. Metcalf	200 00
William D. Hayes, overseer of poor	60 00
William D. Hayes, dog constable	25 00

R E P O R T
of an audit and examination of the accounts
of the
TOWN OF ALSTEAD
for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1951
made by
THE DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION
December 3, 1951—January 2 & 3, 1952

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION
Concord, New Hampshire

January 9, 1952.

Board of Selectmen,
Alstead, New Hampshire.

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of the annual audit and examination of the accounts of the Town of Alstead for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1951, which was made by this Division in accordance with the vote of the Town. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report.

SCOPE OF AUDIT

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Road Agent and Vilas Pool.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Comparative Balance Sheets—Dec. 31, 1950-Dec. 31, 1951:
(Exhibit A)

Comparative Balance Sheets as of December 31, 1950 and December 31, 1951, are presented in Exhibit A. As indicated therein, the financial condition of the Town changed from a Surplus of \$3,079.96, to a Net Debt of \$1,091.02 during the year 1951.

Analysis of Change in Financial Condition:

(Exhibit B)

An analysis of the change in financial condition of the Town during the year is made in Exhibit B, with the factors which caused the change indicated therein. These were as follows:

Increases in Net Debt

Taxes deeded to town	\$67 11	
Town hall insurance fund transferred to capital reserve fund	10,000 00	
		\$10,067 11

Decreases in Net Debt

Net budget surplus	\$3,852 05	
Long term notes paid	1,900 00	
Decrease in accounts payable	144 08	
		\$5,896 13
Change in financial condition		\$4,170 98

Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures—**Estimated and Actual Revenues: (Exhibits C & D)**

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1951, are presented in Exhibits C and D. As indicated by the budget summary (Exhibit D), a net unexpended balance of appropriations of \$1,204.44, plus a net revenue surplus of \$2,647.61, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$3,852.05.

Summary of Receipts and Expenditures: (Exhibit E)

A summary of receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1951, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, is included in Exhibit E. Proof of the Treasurer's balance as of December 31, 1951, is indicated in Exhibit F.

AUDIT PROCEDURE

The accounts and records of all town officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited. Vouchers and cancelled checks were compared with supporting invoices and payrolls as well as entries in the books of record. Receipts were checked by source insofar as possible and totals of receipts and expenditures verified. Book balances were verified by comparison with reconciled bank balances made from statements obtained from depository banks. Verification of uncollected taxes was made by mailing notices to delinquent taxpayers as indicated by the Collector's records.

GENERAL COMMENTS

The accounts and records of all town officials which we examined were found in good condition and the accounting procedure conformed to the prescribed methods.

The provisions of Section 31, Chapter 211, of the Laws of 1939, require that this report or a summary of its essential features shall be published in the next annual town report.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Town of Alstead for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Yours very truly,

HAROLD G. FOWLER,
DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION.

C. DAVID SULLIVAN, Auditor.

JOHN T. FLANDERS, Accountant.

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION

Concord, New Hampshire

January 9, 1952

CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT

This is to certify that we have audited the accounts and records of the Town of Alstead for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1951, and found them to be in good order. In

our opinion the Exhibits included herewith reflect the true financial condition of the Town as of December 31, 1951, together with the results of operations for the period under review.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD G. FOWLER,

Director.

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION.

C. DAVID SULLIVAN, Auditor.

JOHN T. FLANDERS, Accountant.

TOWN OF ALSTEAD

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EXHIBIT A
TOWN OF ALSTEAD
 Comparative Balance Sheets
 Fiscal Years Ended December 31, 1950 and 1951

ASSETS

	Dec. 31, 1950	Dec. 31, 1951
Cash:		
General Fund	\$9,619 83	\$11,724 58
Milan Green Hill bridge account	2,850 00	
Town hall insurance fund	10,000 00	
Capital Reserve Fund:		
Town hall		10,125 00
Accounts Due Town:		
State of New Hampshire:		
Balance reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood and timber	\$413 50	
Bounties	84 00	30 50
	497 50	
Unredeemed taxes:		
Levy of 1950		\$298 49
Levy of 1949	\$1,240 42	566 93
Levy of 1948	408 82	245 90
Levy of 1947	17 32	
	1,666 56	1,111 32
Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of 1951		9,124 67
Levy of 1950	\$9,925 38	
Levy of 1949	33 90	
Levy of prior years	16 99	
	9,976 27	
State Head Taxes:		
Levy of 1951		370 00
Total assets	\$34,610 16	\$32,486 07
Net debt (excess of liabilities over assets)		1,091 02
Grand total	\$34,610 16	\$33,577 09

LIABILITIES

	Dec. 31, 1950	Dec. 31, 1951
Accounts Owed by Town:		
Town clerk—overremittance a/c		
motor vehicle permits	\$144 08	
Yield tax—advance deposits—		
1951 taxes	367 57	
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		\$511 65
Unexpended Balances—Special		
Appropriations:		
Bridge construction	2,850 00	
State aid construction		\$1,794 00
Civil defense		200 00
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		\$1,994 00
Due State of New Hampshire:		
A/c head taxes uncollected		\$370 00
A/c head taxes and penalties col-		
lected but not remitted to state		
treasurer (less 2% collection cost)		2,113 86
		2,483 86
Due School District:		
Balance of appropriation	10,795 55	13,501 23
Capital Reserve Fund:		
Town hall		10,125 00
Temporary loans	10,000 00	
Long Term Notes Outstanding:		
Truck and snowplow note	\$400 00	
New truck and plow	6,973 00	5,473 00
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		7,373 00
Total liabilities	\$31,530 20	\$33,577 09
Surplus (excess of assets over		
liabilities)	3,079 96	
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Grand total	\$34,610 16	\$33,577 09

EXHIBIT B
TOWN OF ALSTEAD
 Analysis of Change in Financial Condition
 Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

Net debt—December 31, 1951	\$1,091 02	
Surplus—December 31, 1950	3,079 96	
Change in financial condition		\$4,170 98

Factors Affecting Change in Financial Condition
Increases in Net Debt:

Taxes deceded to town	\$67 11	
Town hall insurance fund trans- ferred to capital reserve fund	10,000 00	
		\$10,067 11

Decreases in Net Debt:

Long term notes paid	\$1,900 00	
Net budget surplus	3,852 05	
Decrease in accounts payable	144 08	
		5,896 13

Change in financial condition		\$4,170 98
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EXHIBIT C

TOWN OF ALSTEAD

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

	Forwarded From 1950	Appro- priations	Receipts and Reimburse- ments	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Balances Forwarded to 1952		
						Unexpended	Overdrafts	Assets Liabilities
Town officers' salaries	\$4,800 00		\$10 16	\$4,810 16	\$2,159 16	\$526 82		
Town officers' expenses				2,063 43				
Election and registration				49 95				
Town hall and other buildings				10 80				
Police department	250 00		30 27	250 00	108 37	141 63		
Fire department	1,300 00		12 10	1,330 27	1,574 00		\$243 73	
Town dump	200 00			212 10	189 10	23 00		
Town trees	100 00			100 00	25 00	75 00		
Town clock	25 00			25 00	20 00	5 00		
State aid construction	1,794 00			1,794 00				\$1,794 00
Town road aid	628 30			628 30	628 30			
Town maintenance	8,500 00		219 00	8,719 00	11,771 26		268 76	
Oiling streets	2,500 00		283 50	2,783 50				
Street lighting	1,175 00			1,175 00	1,188 96		13 96	
Civil defense	200 00			200 00				
Old age assistance	1,300 00		439 68	1,739 68	1,098 35	641 33		200 00
Town poor	1,200 00			1,200 00	884 17	315 83		
Memorial Day & Veterans' Assns.	50 00			50 00	50 00			

EXHIBIT C—Continued

	Forwarded From 1950	Appro- priations	Receipts and Reimburse- ments	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Balances		
						Unexpended	Overdrafts	Forwarded to 1952
Parks and playgrounds, incl. band concerts	125 00			125 00	146 00	21 00		
Water trough	24 00			24 00	40 68	16 68		
Cemeteries	500 00			500 00	516 50	16 50		
Payments on principal of debt	1,900 00			1,900 00				
County tax	3,554 11			3,554 11				
School District:								
1950-51 appropriation	\$10,795 55		4,204 45	15,000 00	15,000 00			
1951-52 appropriation	33,801 23		5,000 00	33,801 23	20,300 00			13,501 23
Temporary loans	10,000 00			15,000 00	15,000 00			
Overlay		512 38	39 52	551 90	351 36		200 54	
Bridge construction	2,850 00			2,850 00	2,850 00			
Yield tax—advance deposits	367 57		813 75	1,181 32	1,181 32			
Bounties					30 50		30 50	
State head taxes			2,145 00	2,145 00				
State head tax penalty			12 00	12 00 *	43 14			2,113 86
Miscellaneous refunds					144 08	144 08		
Payments to capital reserve funds			10,125 00	10,125 00	10,125 00			
	\$24,013 12	\$64,439 02	\$23,334 43	\$111,786 57	\$93,003.54	\$1,929 15	\$724 71	\$30 50 \$17,609 09

* 2% of collections paid to collector.

EXHIBIT D
TOWN OF ALSTEAD
 Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues and
 Budget Summary
 Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

Source:	Revenues		Excess	Deficit
	Estimated	Actual		
Interest and dividend tax	\$2,081 09	\$2,095 17	\$14 08	
Savings bank tax	265 00	282 48	17 48	
Reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood and timber	3,116 61	* 3,108 60		\$8 01
Motor vehicle permit fes	2,000 00	2,749 74	749 74	
Dog licenses	300 00	358 58	58 58	
Rent of town property, including highway equip.	800 00	980 51	180 51	
Interest received on taxes	500 00	472 15		27 85
Street lighting account	15 00	15 00		
Sale of tax deeded property	100 00	75 00		25 00
Vilas trust funds	3,000 00	3,910 24	910 24	
Sale of cemetery lots		25 00	25 00	
Business licenses and permits		16 50	16 50	
Added taxes		733 43	733 43	
Moth extermination-blister rust		2 91	2 91	
	\$12,177 70	\$14,825 31	\$2,708 47	\$60 86

* **Includes:**

Reimbursement from State a/c exemption of growing wood and timber	\$671 97
Yield taxes assessed	2,436 63
	<hr/> \$3,108 60

Budget Summary

Unexpended balances of appro- priations	\$1,929 15	
Overdraft of appropriations	724 71	
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Net unexpended balance of appropriations		\$1,204 44
Actual revenues	\$14,825 31	
Estimated revenues	12,177 70	
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Net revenue surplus		2,647 61
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Net budget surplus		\$3,852 05

EXHIBIT E**TOWN OF ALSTEAD**

Classified Summary of Receipts and Expenditures
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

RECEIPTS**From Local Sources:****1951 Tax Levy:**

Property taxes	\$43,059 83
Poll taxes	722 00
National bank stock taxes	12 50
Yield taxes	2,248 75
State head taxes	2,145 00
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\$48,188 08

Previous Years' Levies:

Property taxes	\$9,657 20
Poll taxes	266 00
Yield taxes	30

9,923 50
472 15
1,083 55
12 00

Interest

Tax sales redeemed

Head tax penalties

From State of New Hampshire:

Interest and dividend tax	\$2,095 17
Savings bank tax	282 48
Forest fires	8 52
Bounties	84 00
Reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood and timber— 1950 a/c	413 50
Reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood and timber— 1951 a/c	671 97
Old age assistance	439 68
Moth extermination—blister rust	2 91
Head tax expense reimbursement	10 16

4,008 39

From Local Sources Except Taxes:

Dog licenses	\$358 58
Rent of town hall	15 00
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	16 50
Truck and grader rental and plowing drives	965 51
Motor vehicle permits	2,749 74
Oiling drives	283 50
Interest on deposits	125 00
Town dump	12 10

4,525 93

Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:

Temporary loans	\$5,000 00
Yield tax deposits—Contra	813 75
Vilas Estate	3,910 24

Refunds:

Fire department	21 75
Sale of cemetery lots	25 00
Street lighting account	15 00
Sale of tax deeded property	75 00
School district overpayment	4,204 45
Bridge account transfer	219 00
Miscellaneous	39 52

\$14,323 71

Total receipts from all sources	\$82,537 31
Balance, December 31, 1950	22,469 83
Grand total	\$105,007 14

EXPENDITURES**General Government:**

Town officers' salaries	\$2,202 30
Town officers' expenses	1,324 40
Election and registration	49 95
Town hall and other buildings	10 80

\$3,587 45

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	\$108 37
Fire department	1,574 00
Bounties	30 50
Damage by dogs	18 00

1,730 87

Health:

Vital statistics	\$4 50
Town dump	189 10

193 60

Highways and bridges:

Town maintenance	\$11,771 26
Street lighting	1,188 96
Town road aid	628 30

 13,588 52
Public Welfare:

Old age assistance	\$1,098 35
Town poor	884 17

 1,982 52
Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day	50 00
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Recreation:

Parks and playgrounds	146 00
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Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries	516 50
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Unclassified:

Timber tax deposits	1,181 32
Preambulation of town lines	37 50
Town clock	20 00
Water trough	40 68
Taxes bought by town	554 98
Refunds—taxes	75 40
Tree removal	25 00
Refunds—town clerk	144 08

 2,078 96
New Construction and Improvements:

Bridge construction	\$2,850 00
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Interest:

Temporary loans	\$445 83
Long term notes	233 20

 679 03

Indebtedness:

Temporary loans	\$15,000 00	
Long term notes	1,900 00	
		16,900 00
Payments to other governmental		
Divisions:		
County tax	\$3,554 11	
Capital reserve funds	10,125 00	
School District:		
1950-1951 appropriation	\$15,000 00	
1951-1952 appropriation	20,300 00	
		35,300 00
		48,979 11
Total payments for all purposes		\$93,282 56
Balance—December 31, 1951		11,724 58
		\$105,007 14
Grand total		

EXHIBIT F**TOWN OF ALSTEAD**

Summary of Receipts and Expenditures and
Proof of Treasurer's Balance
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

Balance Dec. 31, 1950	\$22,469 83	
Receipts during year	82,537 31	
		\$105,007 14
Expenditures during year:		
General fund	\$90,432 56	
Bridge fund	2,850 00	
		93,282 56
Balance—Dec. 31, 1951		\$11,724 58

Proof of Balance

Balance in Bellows Falls Trust Co., Bel- lows Falls, Vermont, per statement dated December 31, 1951	\$25,010 14	
Add: Deposit—January 3, 1952	553 99	
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	\$25,564 13	
Less: Outstanding checks	13,839 55	
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Reconciled bank balance—Dec. 31, 1951		\$11,724 58

EXHIBIT G**TOWN OF ALSTEAD**

Summary of Warrant—Levy of 1951
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

DEBITS**Taxes Committed to Collector:**

Property taxes (including NBS tax)	\$51,393 32	
Poll taxes	868 00	
Yield taxes	2,436 63	
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		\$54,697 95

Added Taxes:

Property taxes	\$620 43	
Poll taxes	4 00	
Yield taxes	15 00	
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		639 43
Interest collected		3 98
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Total debits		\$55,341 36
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CREDITS**Remittance to Treasurer:**

A/c property taxes	\$43,072 33
A/c poll taxes	722 00

A/c yield taxes	2,248 75	
A/c interest	3 98	
	<hr/>	\$46,047 06

By Abatements:

Property taxes	\$155 63	
Poll taxes	14 00	
	<hr/>	169 63

Uncollected Taxes—**Dec. 31, 1951:**

Property taxes	\$8,785 79	
Poll taxes	136 00	
Yield taxes	202 88	
	<hr/>	9,124 67

Total credits		<hr/>	\$55,341 36
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EXHIBIT G-I**TOWN OF ALSTEAD**

Summary of Warrant—1951 State Head Tax
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

DEBITS**Taxes Committed to Collector:**

1951 state head taxes	\$2,540 00	
Added taxes	35 00	
Penalties collected	12 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,587 00
Total debits		

CREDITS**Remittances to Treasury:**

A/c 1951 state head taxes	\$2,145 00	
A/c penalties	12 00	
By abatements	60 00	

Uncollected taxes—Dec. 31, 1951:

1951 state head taxes	370 00	
	<hr/>	\$2,587 00
Total credits		

EXHIBIT G-2**TOWN OF ALSTEAD**

Summary of Warrants—Levies of Prior Years

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

DEBITS

	Levies of:		
	1950	1949	1948
Uncollected Taxes—			
Dec. 31, 1950:			
Property taxes	\$9,631 08	\$29 90	\$12 99
Poll taxes	294 00	4 00	4 00
Yield taxes	30		
Added Taxes:			
Property taxes	34 24		
Poll taxes	2 00		
Interest	346 00	79	9 29
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	\$10,307 62	\$34 69	\$26 28

CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer:			
A/c property taxes	\$9,638 23	\$5 98	\$12 99
A/c poll taxes	262 00	2 00	2 00
A/c yield tax	30		
A/c interest	346 00	79	9 29
By Abatements:			
Property taxes	27 09	23 92	
Poll taxes	34 00	2 00	2 00
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	\$10,307 62	\$34 69	\$26 28

EXHIBIT G-3
TOWN OF ALSTEAD
 Summary of Tax Sale Account
 Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

DEBITS

	Levies of:			
	1950	1949	1948	1947
Unredeemed taxes—				
Dec. 31, 1950	\$1,240 42		\$408 82	\$17 32
Added—not on books in 1950				57 76
Tax sale—Aug. 25, 1951	\$544 85		10 13	
Interest and costs	6 06	61 32	21 42	23 29
	\$550 91	\$1,301 74	\$440 37	\$98 37

CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer:				
Redemptions	\$246 36	\$673 49	\$105 94	\$57 76
Interest	6 06	61 32	21 42	23 29
Abatements				17 32
Deeded to Town			67 11	
Unredeemed taxes—				
Dec. 31, 1951	298 49	566 93	245 90	
	\$550 91	\$1,301 74	\$440 37	\$98 37

EXHIBIT H

TOWN OF ALSTEAD
 Summary of Town Clerk's Motor Vehicle and
 Dog License Accounts
 Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

DEBITS

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued:

1950 Nos. 1467-1489	\$33 84
1951 Nos. 1151-1659	2,715 90
	\$2,749 74

Dog Licenses Issued:

1950	5 @	\$2.00	\$10 00	
	1 @	\$1.00	1 00	
	1 @	\$1.36	1 36	
			<hr/>	\$12 36
1951	118 @	\$2.00	\$236 00	
	20 @	\$5.00	100 00	
	2 @	\$1.67	3 34	
	1 @	\$1.58	1 58	
	1 @	\$1.10	1 10	
			<hr/>	342 02
Fines:				
1950	licenses		\$5 00	
1951	licenses		29 00	
			<hr/>	34 00
				\$388 38
Less:	Fees retained			29 80
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				358 58
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Total	debits			\$3,108 32

CREDITS**Remittances to Treasurer:**

A/c motor vehicle permits	\$2,749 74
A/c dog licenses	358 58
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Total credits	\$3,108 32

EXHIBIT I**TOWN OF ALSTEAD**

Summary of Road Agent's Payroll Account

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

Transfers to payroll account \$11,769 26

Expenditures:

Payroll checks	11,769 26	
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Balance—Dec. 31, 1951		00

Proof of Balance

Balance in Bellows Falls Trust Co., Bel- lows Falls, Vt., per statement dated December 31, 1951	\$806 33	
Add: Deposit—January 3, 1952	259 98	
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	\$1,066 31	
Less: Outstanding checks	1,066 31	
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Reconciled bank balance—Dec. 31, 1951		00

EXHIBIT J**TOWN OF ALSTEAD**

Summary of Vilas Pool Account and Proof of Balance
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1951

Balance—Dec. 31, 1950	\$2,554 93
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Receipts:

Vilas estate	\$3,068 82
Interest from savings bank	34 68
Telephone refund	29
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Total receipts	3,103 79

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	\$5,658 72
Total expenditures	2,639 44
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Balance—Dec. 31, 1951	\$3,019 28
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Proof of Balance

Balance in The Connecticut River Na- tional Bank as per statement dated November 17, 1951	\$188 34
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Less: outstanding checks:

Number	Amount
412	\$ 85
413	10 00
414	8 12
	19 03
	\$169 31

Pass Book No. 11595—Savings Bank
of Walpole

2,849 97

Reconciled bank balance—Dec. 31, 1951

\$3,019 28

EXHIBIT K

TOWN OF ALSTEAD

Town Officers' Surety Bonds
1951

Number Amount Term Beginning

Town Clerk:

Henry C. Metcalf, Peerless Casualty Co.	S-928	\$1,000 00	March 13, 1951
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Tax Collector:

Gilman O. Ellis, Peerless Casualty Co.	S-91340	7,500 00	March 13, 1951
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Treasurer:

Marie Radcliffe, Peerless Casualty Co.	S-62626	8,000 00	March 13, 1951
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Road Agent:

Earl M. Pitcher, Peerless Casualty Co.	S-91342	1,000 00	March 13, 1951
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Constables:

Warren G. Hubley	S-91341	1,000 00	March 13, 1951
William D. Hayes	S-17724	1,000 00	March 13, 1951
Both Peerless Casualty Co.			

Trustees of Trust Funds:

H. LeRoy Estabrook, Peerless Casualty Co.	S-3763	5,000 00	March 13, 1951
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REPORT OF ROAD AGENT

Nearly every road in town has had as much attention as time and money would allow. In this work we have used over 2,000 cubic yards of gravel, improving the worst spots. Several bridges have had to be re-planked and one bridge, on the Ed Allen road, replaced. Six new steel and one wooden culverts have been placed to improve drainage. Quite an amount of brush has been cut and much remains to be cut.

Our dirt roads remained in good condition until the fall mud season just before freeze-up, when they became quite bad. This is a yearly condition over which we have no control during the wet season.

I am pleased to report that the expense of maintaining the truck and grader have been kept at a low level with no repairs of any consequence necessary and the condition of the equipment, at the present time, is good.

Seven-tenths of a mile of TRA was built from the Cook Hill road, so-called, to the Flying Cloud Farm. It is my suggestion that this new stretch of road be oiled this year.

This year repairs to the bridge at the foot of Cooper Hill must be made and the steel from the "Milan Green" bridge could be used to good advantage on the bridge just above the Elmer Rhoades place.

In closing, I would like to recommend that the same amount of money be raised as was appropriated last year. It can be used to good advantage and, with normal weather conditions, some improvement in the road system should be noticed.

Received from rent of truck, grader and oiling:

State of New Hampshire, rent of grader	\$628 01
Town of Longdon, rent of grader	117 50
Town of Marlow, rent of grader	45 00
Dorcas Society, rent of grader	24 00
Mrs. Pearl Blodgett, rent of grader	10 50

C. J. LaFrank, rent of grader	15 00
Gilman Ellis, rent of grader	15 00
State of New Hampshire, rent of truck	45 00
Town of Walpole, rent of truck	55 50
John Holzinger, rent of truck plowing snow	10 00
House's Inc., oiling drive	283 50
Milan Green Bridge Account, labor and material on bridge	219 00
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Total	\$1,468 01

SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES

Earl M. Pitcher, labor	\$2,358 17
William D. Hayes, labor	1,362 38
Reginald Howard, labor	943 81
Gilman Ellis, labor	287 50
Earl M. Pitcher, truck and garage rent	133 50
Fred Carman, rent of equipment	251 40
Jesse Pickering, rent of equipment	292 00
Elwin Hodgkins, rent of shovel	48 00
James Bolles, rent of bulldozer	42 50
Ernest Batchelder, rent of truck	143 80
Sam Garnett, rent of truck	27 90
Percy Muzzey, rent of truck	88 00
Walter Davis, rent of truck	88 00
Red Rabideau, rent of truck	60 00
Robert Trask, rent of truck	264 50
Town of Walpole, rent of equipment	393 16
Harold Stoddard, rent of truck	22 20
Town of Langdon, loading gravel	22 00
Town of Acworth, gravel	13 50
George Comstock, gravel	132 60
Fred Carman, gravel	24 20
Robert W. Dunlap, plowing snow	178 50
Walter Burroughs, gravel	10 00
Alstead Garage, gas, oil and repairs	912 71
Alstead Garage, tire for grader	165 00
Kmiec Garage, welding and repairs	82 04
Scott Machinery, Inc., truck repairs	90 80

Robert Trask, 2 used tires for truck	100 00
International Salt Co., 10 tons salt	202 30
Koppers Co., Inc., road oil	1,481 41
Keene Sand and Gravel Co., RC2 Mix	146 00
Cray Oil Co., Diesel Fuel Oil	160 21
Berger Metal Culvert Co., culverts	352 36
Union Steel Co., steel for grader and snow plow	241 07
Charles LaFrank, lumber	183 28
Marie A. Radcliffe, insurance	290 82
Alstead Texaco Station, storage for grader	24 00
Miscellaneous expense, labor and supplies	151 64
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	\$11,771 26

You will note that the Grader and Truck rent amounts to \$965.51. However it cost approximately 40% of this amount, or \$368.20, to earn this money. Also the monies received from House's Inc., and the Milan Green Bridge account, totaling \$502.50, were reimbursements for oil and labor on House's drive and labor and expense on the Milan Green Bridge approaches, guard rails and fill. Therefore the amount expended for road repairs, improvements, labor and materials approximates \$10,900.56. Please bear in mind that this figure is approximate because of the fact that it is almost impossible to keep an accurate account of expense of operating equipment in connection with earning this money.

EARL M. PITCHER,
Road Agent.

REPORT OF OVERSEER OF THE POOR

Town poor:		
Amount raised	\$1,200 00	
Paid County of Cheshire care of A. R. Winham		\$591 17
Adelaide Beers, burial		200 00
Paid John Allen, rent Hitchcock-Gale		15 00
Aid Reginald Howard		10 00
Aid Joseph Luksevich		68 00
	\$1,200 00	\$884 17
Balance		315 83
Old age assistance:		
Amount raised	\$1,300 00	
Recovery C. E. Wilson	424 68	
Recovery Elmer Henry	15 00	
Paid		\$1,098 35
Balance		641 33
	\$1,739 68	\$1,739 68

Respectfully submitted,
 WILLIAM D. HAYES,
 Overseer of Poor.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

January 1, 1952

Name of Fund	Principal	Dividend	Expended Library	Expended Schools	Expended Cemetery	Balance
Warren Monument Fund	\$5,262 00	\$157 77		\$136 77	\$21 00	
Shedd-Porter Library Fund	75,625 85	2,542 46	2,542 46			
Kimball Library Fund	2,465 19	71 59	71 59			
Carpenter Library Fund	500 00	15 11	15 11			
C. F. Warren Library Fund	5,650 00	141 50	141 50			
Kingsbury School Fund	606 00	18 18	18 18			
Capital Reserve Fund Alstead Elementary School	980 88	29 63				\$1,010 51
Alstead Town Hall Capital Reserve Fund (533 shares)	10,125 00	Stock Cumulative Investment Program				
Cemetery Trust Funds	40,260 00	1,214 86			618 42	4,508 56
	\$141,474 92	\$4,191 10	\$2,788 84	\$136 77	\$639 42	\$5,519 07

GILMAN O. ELLIS,
EDITH F. PROVOST,
H. L. ESTABROOK,
Trustees of Trust Funds.

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Name of Fund	Prin.	Overd'n	Bal.	Div'd	Expend.	Bal.	Overd'n
Holbrook	\$200 00			\$6 04	\$6 04		
Wells & Smith	510 00			15 40	15 40		
Edith Kimball	200 00			6 04	6 04		
Gibson	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Browne	500 00			15 10	15 10		
Lovell	200 00			6 04	6 04		
Elwell	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Porter-							
Wentworth	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Banks	100 00			3 02	3 02		
J. C. Kimball	500 00			15 10	15 10		
Mary A.							
Dinsmore	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Milliken-Hooper	1,100 00		\$9 30	33 22	15 00	\$27 52	
Shepard	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Hatch-Graves	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Emerson	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Breed-Green	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Wood	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Smith	200 00			6 04	6 04		
Glover	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Fay	100 00			3 02	3 02		
W. W. Dinsmore	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Blake	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Proctor-							
Merriam	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Vine Porter	200 00			6 04	6 04		
Fred L. Prentiss	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Charles H. Cook	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Patridge	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Rogers	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Colburn	250 00			7 55	7 55		
Lucy Porter	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Belt-French	100 00	\$6 43		3 02	3 02		\$6 43
Chandler	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Vilas	1,000 00	18 93		32 00	12 00	1 07	
Wallace	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Eveline A. Hatch	200 00			6 04	6 04		
Charles H. Cook	100 00			3 02	3 02		
John V. Green	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Harlon P. Ware	300 00			9 06	9 06		
Marshall F.							
Bragg	100 00			3 02	3 02		
William Cheever	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Samual Watts	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Charles E. Kent	200 00			6 04	6 04		
Charles L.							
Linsley	100 00	04		3 02	2 98		
Arthur E. Wilder	200 00			6 04	6 04		

Name of Fund	Prin.	Overd'n	Bal.	Div'd	Expend.	Bal.	Overd'n
George Newell	100 00			3 02	3 02		
John S. Chivers	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Mary Ellen Hills	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Burge-Stillings	100 00			3 02	3 02		
John R. Jeffs	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Charles E. Ellis	100 00	4 33		3 02	3 02		4 33
Wilder Brothers	6,000 00		876 77	181 20	65 00	992 97	
Mary J. Elliott	10,000 00		1,386 79	302 00	95 34	1,593 45	
Hiram E. Page	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Frank E. Trow	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Amy V. Bonticou	600 00		17 47	18 12	12 00	23 59	
J. Franklin Weaver	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Hattie J. Mitchell	500 00		13 11	15 10	12 00	16 21	
Ryder-Clark	100 00			3 02	3 02		
George & Nancy Wilder	10,000 00		1,486 56	302 00	79 00	1,709 56	
John H. Allen	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Hovey-Allison	100 00	77		3 02	3 02		77
Harlon J. Pratt	100 00			3 02	3 02		
David Clay	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Miller Fund	200 00			6 04	6 04		
Willis E. Crabtree	500 00		45 16	15 10	12 00	48 26	
George E. Porter	100 00			3 02	3 02		
George E. Cater	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Newell-MacLane	100 00			3 02	3 02		
W. F. Gilman	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Elizabeth A. Mitchell	200 00			6 04	6 04		
Heywood Fund	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Elmer B. Rhoades	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Milton C. Dodge	100 00			3 02	3 02		
William G. Baer	200 00		7 46	6 04	6 04	7 46	
Washburn-Sevrens	200 00			6 04	6 04		
Walter E. Wilson	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Herbert W. Green	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Milan F. Green	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Gowan-Dickey	200 00			6 04	6 04		
Harry W. Jewett	200 00			6 04	6 04		
Oliver Pratt	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Charles French	100 00			3 02	3 02		
Burton G. Dana	100 00			3 02	3 02		
George C. Dinsmore	100 00			23	23		
<hr/>							
	\$40,260 00	30 50	3,842 62	1,214 86	618 42	4,420 09	11 53
			30 50	3,812 12	4,408 56	11 53	
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			\$3,812 12	5,026 98	5,026 98	4,408 56	
Plus Labarle Fund held for investment						100 00	
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Cash on hand January 1, 1952						\$4,508 56	

GILMAN O. ELLIS,
 EDITH F. PROVOST,
 H. L. ESTABROOK,
 Trustees of Trust Funds.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE
 SHEDD-PORTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

Received from the Shedd-Porter fund	\$2,542 46	
Received from Warren fund	141 50	
Received from Kimball fund	71 59	
Received from Carpenter fund	15 11	
Received from Bond interest	25 00	
Received from selectmen rent of office	180 00	
Received from water rents	204 00	
Received from sale of books	5 77	
	\$3,185 43	
Balance on hand January 1, 1951	2,486 11	
Payments		\$3,075 84
Balance on hand December 31, 1951		2,595 70
	\$5,671 54	\$5,671 54
Payments:		
Librarian, salary		\$998 34
Assistant librarian, salary		24 00
Janitor, salary		390 00
Treasurer, salary		35 00
Books		566 00
Magazines		96 50
Fuel		436 18
Lights		67 50
Telephone		83 06
Water system		177 87
Selectmen's room		39 11
Unclassified		162 28
Total payments		\$3,075 84

Unclassified :

H. L. Estabrook, supplies	7 61
Marx Hardware, supplies	4 30
Gaylord Bros., supplies	13 90
Angell's Bike Shop, lawn mower repairs	5 00
C. J. Newell, gas and supplies	9 33
American Library Ass'n, dues	5 00
Mary Whitton, cleaning	46 80
Lora Whitton, children's hour	5 00
Marie A. Radcliffe, auditing books	10 00
C. H. Metcalf, postage	3 00
Earl M. Pitcher, trucking	46 80
Austin Fletcher, furnace repairs	25 85
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	\$162 28

Other Assets of the Library :

Deposited in Savings Bank of Walpole	\$4,805 76
U. S. "G" Bonds	\$1,000 00
Unpaid water rents	\$110 66

C. J. NEWELL,

Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I have examined the records and accounts of the Treasurer of the Shedd-Porter Memorial Library funds and find them correct.

MARIE A. RADCLIFFE,

Auditor.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN OF THE SHEDD-PORTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

As your librarian I hereby submit my sixth annual report.

The librarian has bought 299 books and has prepared for circulation 326 during the past year. Many of the adults of the towns of Alstead and Langdon as well as pupils in the schools have taken advantage of Mr. Shedd's gift of a beautiful building and many books and magazines.

During January and February on Saturday afternoons Mrs. Lora Whitton had charge of a Story Hour which was enjoyed by the boys and girls.

In November during Book Week the pupils of the first six grades with their teachers visited the library and listened to the librarian read from the new books.

For two weeks in August Mrs. Marion Nicholl Rawson placed her water color paintings on exhibition in the library and many people were interested in them.

Number of books added by purchase	299
Number of books added by gift	27
Number of magazines	36
Daily paper	1

Record of circulation of books and magazines:

Fiction	5,005
Non-fiction	1,143
Juvenile	2,490
Magazines	3,198
	11,836

REPORT OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

During the past year, the Alstead Fire Co. has responded to calls, for the following :

- 1—flooded oil burner.
- 1—very small fire with little damage to building.
- 1—set of farm buildings totally lost.
- 15—chimney fires.

This is a relatively small number of calls for the period, for which we are very thankful. However, according to evidences found at most chimney fires, which are of course potential total losses of buildings, it appears to our company that there is still much room for improvement in care in this direction, where wood is burned. Wood should be drier; check drafts should be used, if at all, more cautiously; air leaks into chimneys should be stopped; flues should be more frequently inspected and cleaned. If this last is done by burning out, either accidentally or on purpose, the situation should be actively attended for falling sparks and growing heat. If necessary, the fire can be controlled or stopped by the use of "fusees," salt, or other retarders. If the danger seems to become serious, the fire company should be called; if it seems to subside, nevertheless the place should be inspected and watched for long enough, perhaps hours, to make absolutely sure. Some buildings have been lost after it was thought all danger was passed. We take this opportunity to remind Alstead people that there are these ways, and many others, known best to each respective property owner in his own place, in which greater care can be taken for the sake of his own best interests.

Some of our men took a course of instruction in fire fighting and the use and care of equipment, with the Saxtons River company, given by the Bellows Falls fire chief, and this proved of much interest and value.

Our equipment has been maintained and improved in some ways in 1951. A new type fog nozzle has been added, which is effective and is saving in water and in damage. Regular meetings each month have been held as usual, and in the summer many extra drills, one new feature, learned at Saxtons River, being the relaying of water from the small trailer pump, set in low, difficult situations of supply, to the big truck engine pump, set in an easily-accessible place, used in turn to boost the pressure for effective delivery thru the hoses.

Along with his other usual duties, our chief will do the following:

1. Furnish fuses to home owners for slowing or stopping dangerous chimney fires, at cost, which is \$4.75 for a box of four.
2. Recharge carbon tetrachloride extinguishers, at cost. (These should be inspected every year for contents and for free and effective pump action.)
3. Recharge soda-acid extinguishers, free of charge.

Respectfully submitted,

HEMAN CHASE,

HORACE SEAVEY,

H. LEROY ESTABROOK,

Commissioners.

RICHARD A. STANLEY,

Chief.

REPORT OF DISTRICT SCHOOL TREASURER

July 1, 1950 to June 30, 1951

Received from selectmen, town appropriation	\$37,000 00
Received from trustees of trust funds, Warren fund	111 37
Received from trustees of trust funds, Kingsbury fund	15 15
Received from trustees of Vilas fund	4,841 12
Received from state treasurer, equalization	2,776 57
Received from state treasurer, hot lunch, agricul- ture and home economics	2,405 00
Received from federal funds, Veterans administration	1,821 41
Received from Langdon tuition	4,361 80
Received from Aeworth tuition	2,216 40
Received from Marlow tuition	1,866 95
Received from Lempster tuition	420 00
Received from Unity tuition	150 00
Received from other tuitions	325 00
Received from rents	145 00
Received from selectmen, special appropriation	300 00
Received from all other sources	164 71
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	\$58,920 48
Cash on hand June 30, 1950	5,247 97
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Total amount avialable for fiscal year	\$64,168 45
Less school board orders paid	60,501 48
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Balance on hand June 30, 1951	\$3,666 97

H. L. ESTABROOK,
District Treasurer.

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 Alstead of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1951 and find them correct in all respects.

MARIE A. RADCLIFFE,
LEON M. TROW,

Auditors.

August 1, 1951.

SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

School Board: Mrs. Mary Burroughs, chairman, Maybelle Still, Mrs. Margaret Stevens.

Moderator: Heman Chase.

Clerk: Alma Ring.

Treasurer: H. L. Estabrook.

Auditors: Leon Trow, Marie Radcliffe.

Superintendent: Theron B. Thompson, Walpole.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the school district of the town of Alstead qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Town Hall, in said district on the 11th day of March, 1952, at 2:00 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 officer or agent in 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 the sum of \$1,500 as a deficiency appropriation to cover increased expenses of operating the schools for the current year, money to come from increased tuitions above what was anticipated in the budget.

10. To see if the district will vote to add the sum of \$281.99, being the balance voted the building committee for expenses several years ago, to the Capital Reserve Fund now held by the trustees of Trust Funds.

11. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$———— to improve the sanitary conditions at the East Alstead School; said improvements to include new toilet facilities and water supply, or take any other action thereon.

12. To see if the district will vote to use the balance of the Capital Reserve Fund for the improvements at the East Alstead School.

13. To see if the district will vote to instruct the school board to have a telephone installed in the elementary school, and raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$88 to cover the cost of installation and service for the ensuing year.

14. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$500, to redecorate the Vilas Auditorium.

15. To see if the district will vote to have the School Board's Financial Records audited by the State Tax Commission, and to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$50, to pay for same.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Alstead :

I herewith submit my seventh annual report as your superintendent of Schools :

It will be interesting to you to know how your school costs compare with the State averages. The per pupil cost of elementary education in Alstead last year was \$160.85. The average per pupil cost for the State as a whole for 1950-51 was \$179.93. These figures do not include items of capital outlay and debt obligations. The average per pupil cost of high school education for last year was \$280.95 for the state, and \$270.62 for Alstead. If these costs were to be translated into total budget expenditures it would mean that the Alstead School District would have expended nearly \$57,000 to operate your schools last year, if they had cost the state average. Actually, the schools cost a little more than \$51,000.

When your auditors went over the school board's records last summer they made several suggestions that have been adopted by the school board. One of these was to change the method of crediting tuition receivable. It has been the practice to carry-over any un-collected tuition to the next year and enter it as money received during the year it was actually paid over, rather than when it was due. This is the method in common practice among school districts. Actually, the money received in the past for tuition has been from two separate years. The reason for this has been that many districts do not close their books and make final payments until into July. By the time these checks have gone from the school board to the district treasurer to the local district it may be mid-July or early August.

Last summer we changed this to make the records on an annual basis, crediting all unreceived tuition payments as assets. That accounts for the large credit balance that the school

board was able to show on the return of district revenue to be applied against the tax assessment for this year.

Another suggestion of the auditors has to do with overdrafts of the school budget. In these days of rapidly advancing prices it is difficult to accurately foretell what amount to include in the budget for operating the schools. Your school boards have always figured close, not allowing for increases in enrollment or sudden emergencies. In budgeting for teachers' salaries they have estimated on the basis of the current faculty and not allowed for changes, which in these times, nearly always require larger salaries. When new pupils come in more seats, desks, books and supplies must be obtained to take care of the increased numbers. This requires more expenditures than could have been foreseen a year or more before. The result in most cases is that the school board has had to go over its budget. In many cases the added enrollment means some increase in tuition so that there is money to cover the costs, even though it might not have been included in the budget.

This situation has arisen this year. At last year's annual meeting it was explained that teachers' salaries would have to be increased to meet the demand. At the time it was anticipated that it might be over the budget by a thousand dollars. We were fortunate in keeping all but one teacher and her replacement was at nearly the same salary. Necessary adjustments in salaries required only \$400 more than allowed in the budget. The item for repairs was cut last year, but it has been necessary to make some changes that were not planned on which had to be done. These will add another \$500. You voted to run a special transportation route to care for a dangerous stretch of road, but no money was voted to pay for it this year. This means \$200. Other increased costs in janitor service, retirements, and supplies mean that the school board needs \$1,500 to balance the current budget. This is a necessary expense and must be paid. However, because we have more tuition pupils than were anticipated last winter, there will be enough income to offset the deficit.

The State Tax Commission has recommended for several years that school districts vote a contingency fund to take care of these unexpected increases and emergency items. This year,

at the suggestion of the auditors, the school board is including such an item in its budget. To offset this sum will be the \$1,200 of the first installment on the Federal Loan for Building Plans which can be released this spring. The State Tax Commission has advised that if after five years from receipt of the money no building has been started, the money no longer needs to be carried as a liability. The first payment was received in the spring of 1947. The second payment was received two years later.

We have been somewhat handicapped this year with a lack of pupils desks and chairs. At one time there were over forty pupils in Mrs. Benware's room. Desks were borrowed from other schools, but these were hard to find. There is a definite shortage in the high school and this will get more acute in the next few years as the larger classes come in. The school has gotten along this year by using chairs without desks, and by moving furniture from room to room; from class to class. This is definitely not a good situation educationally or otherwise. It is necessary to have forty-five or fifty new units of furniture for next fall.

It looks as though it will be necessary to use the East Alstead school for several years. Enrollments are increasing there and something needs to be done to improve the sanitary facilities if the school is to meet the minimum requirements for health and safety. The one serviceable toilet has been kept in usable condition, but may fail at anytime; and with the increase in enrollment there should be two toilets. The water supply is not too good and should be replaced or supplemented. New furniture is needed to supplement what is there. Only enough has been made available to meet the current demands. The time has come when every available seat is occupied and more are needed.

Some consideration should be given to the outside appearance of our schools. Nothing has been done to the outside of the Elementary building for many years. It needs painting and some repairing. This is a major expense and should be taken care of within the next year or two. A start was made last year in fixing the play area back of the school so that it would be drier and more convenient. More needs to be done. The

East Alstead building also needs some paint and other work on the outside.

Your schools are in good condition educationally.

Pupils who transfer to other schools or go on to college find that they are as well prepared as those they meet from other schools, and in many ways are better able to meet the problems they encounter. We have an excellent faculty that is interested in the welfare of the pupils and the schools. There is however, one field in which we are somewhat weak, and that is in the field of vocational work for the boys who are not interested in farming, business or college preparation. We always have a few who are more interested in manual accomplishments than in other types of work. A limited amount of shop work is provided in the agriculture course, but there is need for a full-time course in general shop. To provide this work would require the procurement of some power equipment, a larger supply and assortment of hand tools, and the services of a part-time instructor. We could use another full-time teacher who would spend part of his time with shop work and part with academic classes. If enrollments in high school continue to rise as rapidly as they have in the grades this additional teacher will be needed within the next three years, and we will be able to offer this much-needed course.

The supply of properly prepared elementary teachers is alarmingly low. It has been estimated that there will be over 3,000 new elementary pupils in New Hampshire alone, next year. This means from twelve to fifteen more teachers than we have right now; not a large number until one considers that we have a normal turnover of about 300 elementary teachers every year. This year many of our older teaching personnel is retiring. The number of younger replacements is less than half the number needed. We are fortunate to have our present faculty. To keep them we must pay them enough to meet competition and make their working conditions such that they will want to stay in Alstead.

The agriculture boys have done a complete redecorating job in the shop under the direction of Mr. Head, their teacher. The boys are planning to erect a greenhouse this spring, and

invite your cooperation and patronage. I call your attention to the progress reports of Vilas High School that follow.

SUMMARY OF ENROLLMENT, JANUARY 2, 1952

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Totals
Vilas					11	18	19	11	32	21	21	20	153
Village	13	12	12	23									60
East	2	4	3	4	4	2							19
Totals	15	16	15	27	15	20	19	11	32	21	21	20	232

TUITION PUPILS

	High School	Junior High	Elementary
Asworth	13	8	3
Langdon	16	2	9
Marlow	9	0	0
Lempster	6	0	0

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 1950-1951

Total registration	259
Average membership	236.4
Percentage of attendance	93.7
Half-days schools were in session	356
Visits by school board members	18
Visits by citizens and parents	361
Visits by superintendent	379
Pupils not absent or tardy	13

I thank the school board, teachers, parents, pupils and friends for their continued cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,
 THERON B. THOMPSON,
 Superintendent of Schools.

VILAS HIGH SCHOOL 1950-51

Twenty-four students were graduated last June, thirteen boys and eleven girls. Five girls are attending college, two are married and four are working. Five boys are in the armed forces, five are in college and three are working.

Frances Molesky was our representative to Girls' State and Joyce Ellis won the Good Citizenship Award presented by the Walpole D. A. R. Chapter.

The honor students for the year 1950-51 were: Valedictorian—Joyce Ellis, Salutatorian—Carolyn Davenport. Third honor, Priscilla Haynes and fourth honor Paul Baseom.

The Dick Bath Memorial Basketball Trophy was won for the second time by Langdon Metcalf.

The basketball team was invited for the seventh time to compete in the Class C tournament held at Claremont.

The Vilas boys defeated New London High School in the opening round 49-42. The assignment for the semi-finals was Charlestown High School which during the regular season had defeated Vilas 79-39 and 65-48. The Vilas boys showing a near perfect display of cooperation and team play emerged a victor over a strong Charlestown team in an exciting overtime game.

The boys continued their splendid playing in the final game against Walpole High and brought home the third class C championship of the state to the town by a score of 51-42. Two boys were chosen on the class C all State team, Newell Dorr and Langdon Metcalf.

Much credit should go to Coralie Spooner for her splendid achievement in the American Legion Oratorical Contest. Coralie won the County Contest and made a very creditable showing at the State Semi-finals held in Manchester. We wish to thank the American Legion for this opportunity and we appreciate the interest shown by Ira Huntley and Harold Lamb.

Robert Hartwell and Eugene Talbot attended the State Y. M. C. A. Conference at Portsmouth.

James Allen and Carlene Clark attended at Y. M. and Y. W. C. A. joint conference held at Hanover, N. H.

HOME ECONOMICS

Fifteen girls in Family Relationships have studied topics which can help build happier homes. The purpose of the course is to assist the pupil to do better these desirable things which he will do anyway. Finding a mate and establishing a family being one of the most important of those desirable things.

A class of twenty-two girls in foods have been making a study of meal preparation which involves planning meals based on the, "basic seven," wheel of good eating.

Consideration is given to estimated cost of each meal served by the girls in the class. The value in practicing the etiquette of meal time is emphasized. Time is given to making time schedules of jobs performed in getting a meal in order to increase efficiency and completion of work at the appointed time.

The junior high girls have been introduced to some of the basic fundamentals and up-to-date trends in the area of food preparation and serving.

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

The officers elected are:

President: Miriam Dustin

Vice President: Peggy Benware

Secretary: Mary Harrington

Treasurer: Geraldine Dunn

Reporter and Historian: Mary Potter

The girls have packed boxes for needy families.

A library of film strips has been started by purchasing one film entitled "Boy Dates Girl".

A float "Crusade for Freedom" won second prize in the school fair parade.

At a state meeting in Keene October 26, 1951 Mariam Dustin was elected—Parliamentarian and Mildred Jackson, Pianist.

MUSIC

The high school chorus of forty-five voices presented a Christmas Pageant, "The Nativity" in December. A special group of singers sang three selections at the program in January for John Balla.

Three members of the chorus have been selected to sing with the All-State Chorus at Rochester in April. They are: Shirley Savory, soprano; Rena Edson, alto; Gerold Mudgett, bass.

Last year those attending the New England Festival in Auburn, Maine were Richard Parker, Paul Baseom and Allyn Baseom as members of the chorus and Nellie Clark in the band. Richard was chosen to sing a solo in one of the chorus selections with a boy from Vermont.

At the New England Audition Festival in Boston in May these same students attended to sing with the New England Chorus in Boston Garden as a part of the Festival. Richard Parker performed as soloist in one of the chorus selections. Nellie Clark played in the band under the direction of Edwin Franko Goldman.

In the Soloists' Festival in Boston at this same time Priscilla Spooner and Richard Parker auditioned at the New England Conservatory of Music for Miss Gladys Miller, voice teacher and received superior ratings.

This year the regional Music Festival will be held in Charlestown the first part of May where all our music group will participate in a combined band and chorus concert with Hinsdale, Winchester, Walpole and Charlestown.

Our instrumental groups are growing this year as we have a beginners group numbering sixteen. The instruments are flutes, clarinets, saxophones, trumpets, trombones, and drums. The majority of these players are in the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th grades so that when they reach high school the band should have a good balance of tone and ensemble.

MATHEMATICS REPORT

The Mathematics Department is proceeding under a dual responsibility, first to provide sound mathematical training for our future leaders of science, mathematics, and other learned fields, and secondly to insure mathematical competence for the ordinary affairs of life to the extent that this can be done for all citizens as a part of a general education appropriate for all of the school population.

To better live up to these responsibilities The Department has endeavored to integrate the basic concepts of the various fields of mathematics with life situations. The use of mathematical calculating instruments such as the compass, protractor, scales, slide rule, and tables of various types help the student save time in calculating problems and better see methods of solution.

It is safe to assume that The Department will continue to offer five courses in high school mathematics in view of the ever increasing technical society that we find ourselves involved. These courses are: General Mathematics, Elementary Algebra, Intermediate Algebra, Plane Geometry, and Advanced Mathematics (Solid Geometry and Trigonometry.)

Under the supervision of Mr. Heman Chase of East Alstead the advanced Mathematics Class enjoyed eight field topics and learned a practical use of trigonometry. They were taught the work of a surveyor, the instruments he uses and the use to which he puts them. The last trip of the season was a trip to Bellows Falls, Vermont, where the class surveyed the vertical distance from Table Rock on Fall Mountain to the water surface of the Conn. River.

COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT REPORT

During the past year the commercial department conducted classes in General Business, Accounting, Typing, Shorthand and Office Practice. An exceptional increase in enrollment was noted this year in the commercial course. This increase is probably due to the fact that more opportunities are now available in business for young people because of the loss of promising young men to the Armed Forces.

The General Business course, which is available to freshmen, is a survey course presenting the different phases of business so that the students may decide whether to continue in the business field. A study of many practical things such as; banking services, loans, installment buying, etc., is carried of for the future benefit of not only the business student but for all. It is hoped that some of the advanced students in accounting may be able to explore the fields of Auditing, Mercantiling and Corporation Accounting.

The Typing and Shorthand classes have been working towards a goal of a complete understanding of the duties of secretaries and stenographers. They receive some practical experience in this by helping with the office records and taking turns in collecting and compiling the attendance records each session.

In the office Practice course the students are exposed to the various office duties in the business of today. Each student is given individual instruction on the two calculating machines available and the Dictaphone voice machine.

A thorough understanding of the use of the mimeograph and duplicating machines is obtained by publishing the VERNACULAR, the school magazine, and various programs and tickets throughout the year. In the early fall the class was taken on a conducted tour through the home office of the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company of Springfield Massachusetts where first hand information was obtained as to the actual functioning of a typical office. Last spring a trip was made to a commercial college to observe the type of instruction available for post-graduate study. As a direct result of this trip two seniors enrolled in the college. It is hoped that each year it will be possible to visit one or more of the commercial schools in New England.

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

It might be well, first of all, to state the basic requirements of the type A lunch served at Vilas. They are: $\frac{1}{2}$ pt. milk, 1 or more slices of bread, 2 tsp. oleo. $\frac{3}{4}$ cup fruit and vegetables, 2 oz. protein. From November 5 through December 21, 1951 there have been 3,291 lunches served to students and 244 to teachers and visitors. The reimbursment this year is only 6c per student meal which covers only the milk. We have received some USDA surplus commodities. We are grateful to the mothers who canned and presented to the program some 60 qts. of surplus vegetables from their own gardens. Also to those who have contributed fresh vegetables this fall. These all help with the budget.

This seems to be a year of invocations. The biggest item being a new deep freeze which is well stocked with beef,

chicken, and fish. Aside from the convenience of having these items on hand and easily accessible, we have the best uniform quality food that money can buy and at great savings since the freezer enables us to buy in quantity at wholesale prices.

The Home. Ec. girls and FFA boys helped to prepare the chickens for freezing; thus learning a few of the fundamentals in the latest methods of preserving foods.

Of great importance was the purchase of the extra plates, soup dishes and silver to go around. Also a three sections sink was installed and a gas water heater, thus making it possible to wash, sterilize and rinse dishes as required by the state law.

So it would seem that at least the school lunch program is pretty well set up and able to fulfill its objective—of helping to build healthy boys and girls.

VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE

The school year opened with 34 boys enrolled in Vocational Agriculture. While few of the students actually live on full-time farms, it is felt that this training will instill boys with the ambition to become good farmers in the future. As long as people stay in New England they will be in constant contact with agriculture and should have a varied knowledge of it.

The Alstead and Walpole students cooperated in exhibiting at the Cheshire Fair again this year. While we were unfortunate in having the fair before school opened, those who were able to exhibit did a creditable job.

As usual the Home Economics girls and the Vocational Agriculture boys sponsored the annual school fair with considerable success. We were very pleased with the fact that the students and local farmers brought in 25 head of cattle and 16 horses. There were many other fine exhibits including an interesting one from the State Forestry Department.

The school shop looks much better and more cheerful since the Agriculture students spent many hours cleaning, painting, constructing tool boards, and rearranging equipment. We are urging local farmers to bring in machinery for us to service because it is felt that while the boys are gaining practical experience, they would also be doing a service for the owner.

The Vilas Chapter of Future Farmers have had a rather busy season. The annual Father and Son Banquet was held in April with a nice dinner being served by the Home Economics girls. One of our members was elected State F. F. A. President at the annual spring meeting held in Colebrook. A dairy judge, milk judge, and public speaker represented the organization at the Eastern States Exposition. Eighteen students journeyed to Durham where they took part in the annual judging contest. One of these won the right to represent N. H. at next year's Eastern States Exposition as an alternate dairy judge.

Two members of the group were sent on an expense paid trip to attend the National F. F. A. Convention in Kansas City. We are hoping to send a greater number next year. This year the boys brought five officers jackets and are engaged in a calf financing project in an attempt to help each other in starting an enlarged supervised farming program.

Our greatest ambition may be realized this spring with the advent of a new greenhouse on the school grounds. This is to be a cooperative project of the FFA whereby the students will build and manage the greenhouse, gaining much practical knowledge of plant propagation and enlarging the organization's treasury so that more worthwhile projects may be undertaken.

ENGLISH

With the opening of the 1951-52 school term, a new course was introduced in the academic program of Vilas. It is entitled "Remedial Language" and is offered two periods a week to those who find difficulty in reading, comprehension, and spelling. There are approximately fifty pupils enrolled in this course.

In April the traditional three one-act play contest, presented by Charlestown, Vilas and Walpole, was held in Walpole. This year the Vilas cast enacted the comedy, "Of All Things". Victorious were Walpole players with their production of "The Mystery of the Silver-backed Hairbrush."

The theme selected by the twenty-four members of the 1950 graduating class was "Music, The Universal Language." The development of music from its early sources to the present,

and the influence that it has cast on the world were discussed by ten seniors. At the conclusion of each essay a musical selection illustrated each particular phase of music.

GIRLS' ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

During the 1950-51 season the Vilas girls played an inter-scholastic schedule consisting of ten basketball games, eight softball games, and three tennis games. Girls who did not participate in varsity competition were able to choose from a varied sports program of badminton, archery, tennis, ping-pong, basketball and softball.

The Girls' Athletic Council, after its September 1951 election, organized and supervised athletic activities. The climax of the fall program was a play day held at Vilas on Oct. 25, when the girls entertained visitors from three neighboring high schools, Walpole, Charlestown, and St. Mary's of Claremont. At these play days girls from all schools work together on teams. This arrangement provides an opportunity to make new friends and to practice cooperation and good sportsmanship.

On November 30 the girls' council and the boys' lettermen sponsored the annual A. A. Dance.

At the present time the girls are completing an interesting scholastic basketball schedule, and plan to enter softball and tennis competition in the spring.

VILAS H. S. PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Financial Report 1950-51

Income:

Basketball gate receipts	\$573 05
N. H. I. A. A.	37 20
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Total	\$610 25

Expenses:

Football:

Equipment	\$10 00
Transportation	25 00
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	\$35 00

Basketball :	
Officials	273 00
Transportation	102 00
Basketballs	82 50
Meals	32 00
Guarantee	60 00
Schedules	5 00
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	554 50
Baseball :	
2 dozen baseballs	40 00
Transportation	40 00
Umpires	25 00
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	105 00
Girls Basketball :	
Officials	40 10
Percale and oranges	6 49
Transportation	15 00
Badminton	5 00
Bows and arrows	12 25
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	78 84
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Total	\$773 84

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

For the Year Ending June 30, 1951

RECEIPTS

Federal aid	\$1,430 05
National school lunch	974 95
Veterans' training	1,821 41
State aid	2,776 57
Local taxation	33,095 55
Tuitions	9,340 15
Trust funds	4,967 64
Other receipts	309 71
	\$54,716 03
Total receipts from all sources	\$54,716 03
Cash on hand, July 1, 1950	5,247 97
	\$59,964 00
Total	\$59,964 00

PAYMENTS

Administration :

Salaries of district officers	\$285 00
Superintendent's salary	577 10
Tax for statewide supervision	368 00
Other administrative personnel	244 20
Supplies and expenses	457 92

Instruction :

Principals' and teachers' salaries	29,628 34
Books and other aids	519 20
Scholars' supplies	909 68
Supplies and other expenses	226 47

Operation of school plant :

Salaries of janitors	2,482 60
Fuel or heat	2,023 73
Water, light, supplies and expenses	1,012 16

Maintenance of school plant :

Repairs and replacements	1,074 78
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Auxiliary activities:	
Health supervision	658 25
Transportation	6,826 52
Tuitions	600 00
School lunch	1,076 70
Fixed charges:	
Retirement	1,737 98
Insurance	773 75
Capital outlay:	
Additions and improvements	506 62
New Equipment	398 08
(Repaid to selectmen)	2,000 00
Other charges:	
Veterans administration	1,909 95
Total payments for all purposes	56,297 03
Cash on hand at end of year, June 30, 1951	3,666 97
Total	<u>\$59,964 00</u>

BALANCE SHEET AS OF JUNE 30, 1951

ASSETS

Cash on hand, June 30, 1951	\$3,666 97
Accounts due to district	3,253 82
Capital reserves, (held by trustees)	980 88
Total assets	<u>\$7,901 67</u>
Grand total	<u>\$7,901 67</u>

LIABILITIES

Accounts owed:	
F. W. A.	\$2,400 00
Miscellaneous debts	199 36
Amounts reserved:	
Building committee	281 99
Veterans training course	586 58
Capital reserves	980 88
Total liabilities	<u>4,448 81</u>

Surplus	3,452 86
Grand total	\$7,901 67

ITEMIZED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES 1950-51

Salaries of principals and teachers:

Daniel Metcalf	\$3,800 00
Ruth Benware	2,000 00
Mae B. Dennison	2,200 00
Laura V. Edney	2,100 00
Bernard C. Forbush	2,250 00
Ivan Head	750 00
Frances Metcalf	2,500 00
Martin Mitchell	2,475 00
Mildred Moulthrop	2,200 00
Arlene Parker	2,100 00
Robert Paulson	2,100 00
Gertrude Putnam	2,000 00
Katherine Spriou	2,100 00
Madeline M. Tole	800 00

Salaries of janitors:

Willard C. Kelley	2,026 60
Herbert D. Gale	380 00
Joyce Willis	76 00

Transportation:

Gladys Dunlap	890 00
Austin Fletcher	1,821 18
Arthur Handy	166 25
James Keating	570 00
Hugh Talbot	3,250 00
Insurance	64 74

Fuel:

Cota & Cota	1,605 38
Haines	52 50
Howard Hardware Co.	301 00
Pitcher	24 05
Tuttle	7 50
S. R. Young	68 60

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1952-1953

	Current Budget 1951-52	Proposed Budget 1952-53
Administration :		
Salaries of district officers	\$298 00	\$298 00
Local share supt's. salary	601 17	620 00
Per capita tax	340 00	370 00
Salaries of other administrative personnel	292 30	285 00
Supplies and expenses	408 76	425 00
Instruction :		
Teachers' salaries, high	17,300 00	18,800 00
Teachers' salaries, elem.	14,400 00	16,200 00
Books and other instructional aids, high	300 00	325 00
Books and other instructional aids, elem.	250 00	275 00
Scholars' supplies, high	450 00	500 00
Scholars' supplies, elem.	350 00	400 00
Supplies and other expenses, high	280 00	315 00
Supplies and other expenses, elem.	95 00	110 00
Operation of school plant :		
Salaries of janitors, high	1,375 00	1,500 00
Salaries of janitors, elem.	1,175 00	1,300 00
Fuel or heat, high	1,025 00	1,150 00
Fuel or heat, elem.	975 00	1,050 00
Water, light, supplies and expenses, high	700 00	700 00
Water, light, supplies and expenses, elem.	500 00	500 00
Maintenance of school plant :		
Repairs and replacements, high	300 00	600 00
Repairs and replacements, elem.	200 00	400 00

Auxiliary activities:		
Health supervision, high	250 00	270 00
Health supervision, elem.	375 00	400 00
Transportation, elem.	6,936 50	7,200 00
Tuition, elem.	460 00	540 00
Special activities and funds, high	15 00	50 00
Special activities and funds, elem.	10 00	25 00

Fixed charges:		
Teachers' retirement	1,903 45	2,223 00
Insurance, treas. bonds and expenses	692 75	643 00

Capital outlay:		
New equipment and additions	300 00	1,225 00
Contingency fund		1,200 00

Total budget	\$52,257 93	\$59,899 00
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Special appropriations:		
Transportation	300 00	
Cafeteria improvements	300 00	
Elementary telephone		88 00
Auditorium		500 00
Audit		50 00
East Alstead		2,000 00
Deficiency		1,500 00

	\$52,857 93	\$64,037 00
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ESTIMATED INCOME

Balance June 30	\$3,452 86	\$2,300 00
State aid	2,503 84	2,500 00
Trust funds	4,000 00	4,500 00
Federal aid	1,100 00	1,100 00
Tuitions	8,000 00	11,000 00

Total receipts	\$19,056 70	\$21,400 00
Raised by taxes	33,801 23	

	\$52,857 93	
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VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

<i>Date</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Baby's Name</i>	<i>Father's Name</i>	<i>Mother's Maiden Name</i>
June 13	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Paul Frederick Jr	Paul Asbell	Margaret Yuhas
Nov. 26	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Linda Marie	Willard Burroughs	Ellathine Pratt
July 31	Keene	James Oliver	Basil Cray	Elaine Clark
Aug. 26	Keene	Christine Marie	Laurence Davis	Alice Hanson
Oct. 16	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Paul Harrison	Quentin Huntley	Emily Lord
May 22	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Jane Frances	John Kmiec	Jean Robie
Mar. 9	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Elaine Marie	Owen H. Libby	Ruth Harrington
Aug. 7	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Cadee Dene	Dorrance Libby	Shirley Parker
Oct. 27	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Cynthia Marcia	Frank LaVautre	Mabel Fenton
Mar. 27	Newburypt, Ms	Martin Lowell Jr.	Martin Mitchell	Josephine Connor
Feb. 18	Keene	Randall Harry	Harry Neal	Irene Simino
Sept. 22	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Rhonda Ellen	Elmer Rhoades	Elenora Spaulding
Jan. 24	Bellows Falls, Vt.	William Frank	Leland Stanley	Dorothy Libby
Aug. 16	Bellows Falls, Vt.	David Neil	Perley Smith Jr.	Grta Huntley
June 22	Keene	Barbara Jean	Robert Wilson	Ruth Collins
Dec. 16	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Christopher Neale	Robert Howes	Christine Teale
Dec. 12	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Earlene May	Richard Jefts	Lula Bardwell

MARRIAGES

<i>Date</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Residence</i>
Apr. 29	Alstead	James Burnham Patricia Clark	Alstead Alstead
Nov. 3	So. Acworth	Ralph Balla Ruth Kelley	Acworth Alstead
Aug. 28	Charlestown	Harold Champney Joyce Willis	Marlow Alstead
Aug. 22	Keene	Alexander Cunningham Nancy Homire	Alstead Alstead
Apr. 21	Keene	Joseph Durell Elizabeth Benware	Walpole Alstead
Mar. 19	Keene	Charles Gale Helen Hitchcock	Keene Alstead
July 8	Alstead	David Haynes Nellie Clark	Alstead Langdon
Feb. 10	Keene	Philip Haynes Barbara Bliss	Alstead Keene
Dec. 15	Keene	Paul Haynes Gertrude Ball	Alstead Surry
Mar. 17	Rupert, Vt.	Ralph Moore Beverly Griffin	Alstead Alstead
Mar. 25	Springfield, Vt.	Wendell Mudgett Jean Harlow	Alstead Springfield, Vt.
Oct. 28	Hanover	Paul Marx Natalie Rowe	Alstead New York City

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<i>Date</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Residence</i>
June 9	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Gordon Pratt Anna O'Bea	Alstead Bellows Falls, Vt.
Sept. 1	Charlestown	Laurent Pare Esther Schumann	Alstead Charlestown
Apr. 29	Acworth	Bert Pratt Priscilla McCue	Alstead Acworth
Sept. 29	Chester, Vt.	Donald Rumrill Mary Brooks	Bellows Falls, Vt. Alstead
Sept. 22	Charlestown	Don Sprague Kathryn Bushey	Alstead Acworth
Aug. 18	Alstead	Frederick Williams Marion MacLane	Westminster, Vt. Alstead

DEATHS

<i>Date</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Age</i>
Feb. 12	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Louise Benoit	85
Mar. 27	Concord	Adelaide Beers	66
May 24	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Jane Frances	3 days
Aug. 25	Alstead	Charles Buffum	66
Sept. 22	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Frank Clark	65
Mar. 29	Alstead	John Dickinson	71
Feb. 23	Alstead	Dilla Goss	48
May 24	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Jane Kmiec	3 days
Feb. 27	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Homer Peck	69
Feb. 28	Alstead	Jennie Gertrude Porter	77
July 30	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Mary Ramlon	78
Nov. 3	Alstead	John Trait	29
June 4	Newbury	Eugene Wyman	73
Oct. 28	Bellows Falls, Vt.	Earl Westcott	54
Nov. 17	Dummerston, Mass.	Homer Ingalls	52
Sept. 25	Saxtons River, Vt.	Florence Forristall	70

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of births, marriages and deaths is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HENRY C. METCALF, Town Clerk.

