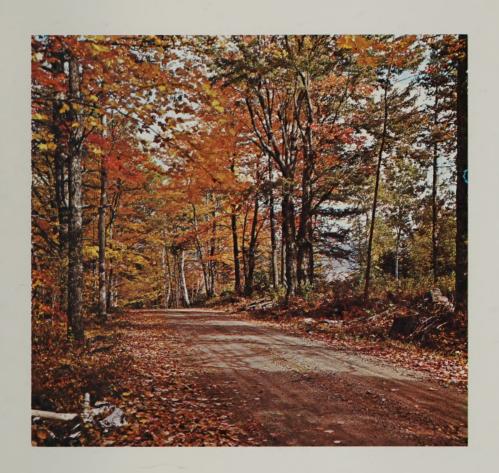
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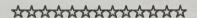
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### Town of Sugar Hill



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The cover picture was taken on the Bickford Road near the Sugar Hill-Franconia town line by John MacEwan. The center spread is from a 1903 W.H. Weisman panorama loaned by Jerome Corsi. Other pictures loaned by Dorothy Aldrich and Durand Cooley.

#### TOWN OFFICERS

Town Office	823-8468
Moderator - David Shepatin	
Town Clerk - Edith Aldrich	823-5301
Selectmen - Roger H. Aldrich, Chairman, 1978 Donald E. Jesseman, 1977 Bradford H. Whipple, 1976	823-5937 823-8008 444-2922
Tax Collector - Edith Aldrich	823-5301
Treasurer - Lissa Boissonneault	
Highway Agent - Harold Aldrich	823-5301
Police Chief - Gary Young	823-8858 1-800-552-0393
Fire Chief - Donald Boissonneault To Report a Fire Fire Station	823-8837 823-8412 823-8468
Auditor - William A. Norton	
Supervisors of the Checklist - Philip Robertson, 1976 Edward Wessels, 1978 Dorothy MacEwan, 1980	823-5354 823-5602
Overseer of Public Welfare - Mary E. Peckett	



Health Officer - Anna Congdon

**Library Trustees** 

Jane Vincent, 1978 Sandra Coffin, 1976 Gladys Jesseman, Chairman, 1977

**Trustees of Trust Funds** 

Raymond Dickinson, 1978 Benton Moyer, Jr., 1976 James Branch, 1977

**Board of Adjustment** 

Charles Weston, Chairman, 1980 Joseph Cushing, Jr., 1977, resigned Enzo Serafini, 1976, deceased Dr. Ernst Glaessel, 1978, deceased Vernon Crosby, appointed, resigned Robert Whitney, 1979 M. Fred Thoma

**Planning Board** 

Esther Serafini, 1980 Philip Robertson, 1976 Donald E. Jesseman, 1977 James Branch, 1979 Juna Grass, 1977 Dr. Ernst Glaessel, 1978, deceased Neil McLaughlin, 1979, resigned Joseph Cushing, Jr., 1979

**Appointing Authority** 

Gilbert Oakes

Harry Reid

Benton Moyer

**Conservation Commission** 

Margaret Peckett Barbara Hayward Philip Robertson Aubrey Reid Sandra Coffin Edna Glaessel

Otto Smith-Johannsen

Carolina Crapo Fund Trustees

Harold W. Smith, 1976 Donald E. Jesseman, 1978 Enzo Serafini, 1980, deceased





# TOWN MEETING WARRANT The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Sugar Hill, in the County of Grafton and the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Meetinghouse, Sugar Hill, New Hampshire, Tuesday the second day of March, 1976 A.D., at two o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the polls shall be open and shall not close earlier than seven-thirty in the afternoon, to act on Articles 1 and 2. All other Articles, 3 through 20, both inclusive, shall be considered at seven-thirty in the afternoon:

**Article 1.** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the amendments to the Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board.

**Article 2.** To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 73:43-B and RSA 73:43-C for expanding exemptions on real estate taxes for persons sixty-five years of age and older.

Article 3. To choose a Town Clerk, a Selectman for a term of three years, a Town Treasurer, a Collector of Taxes, an Auditor, an Overseer of Public Welfare, a Library Trustee for a term of three years, a member of the Board of Adjustment for a term of two years, a member of the Board of Adjustment for a term of two years, a member of the Board of Adjustment for a term of one year, and three persons for a term of one year each to act as appointing authority to appoint temporary members to the Board of Adjustment in case of disqualification, resignation, death, or absence of any permanent member or members, a Trustee of the Trust Funds for a term of three years, a Trustee of the Carolina Crapo Trust Fund for a term of six years, and a Trustee of the Carolina Crapo Trust Fund for a term of four years.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to approve the following

salary schedule for Town Officers:

Selectman, Chairman	\$ 500.00
Selectman	450.00
Selectman	450.00
Town Treasurer	450.00
Overseer of Public Welfare	150.00
Auditor	50.00
Moderator	100.00
Town Clerk	350.00
Tax Collector	450.00
	\$2,950.00

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-three thousand five hundred dollars (\$23,500.00) as its share of the cost of reconstructing Bridge number 202/128 on Crane Hill Road over the Gale River, and further to authorize the Board of Selectmen to request Town Bridge Aid from the Department of Public Works and Highways of the State of New Hampshire and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,750 from current taxation and to authorize the Selectmen to borrow on the credit of the Town the balance of the sum of money so raised and appropriated for this purpose and to authorize the issue of serial notes of the Town under and in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act or any other enabling authority, delegating to the Board of Selectmen the discretion of fixing the date, maturity, the interest rate, place of payment and other details of said notes.

**Article 6.** To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges and make appropriations of the same as set forth in the following budget:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,950.00
Town Officers' Expenses	3,850.00
Election and Registration Expense	700.00
Expenses of Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	3,500.00
Reappraisal of Property	650.00
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	2,000.00
Police Department	14,000.00
Fire Department	8,500.00
Care of Trees	196.00
Insurance, including Blue Cross, Blue Shield	5,800.00
Planning and Zoning	900.00
Damage and Legal Expenses	250.00
Civil Defense	50.00
Health Department, including Hospitals	1,688.00
Vital Statistics	15.00
Town Dump	1,000.00
Town Road Maintenance - Summer	18,500.00
Town Road Maintenance - Winter	9,000.00
Street Lighting	4,300.00

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General Expense of the Highway Department	6,500.00
Town Road Aid	534.43
Library	2,250.00
Town Poor	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance	2,000.00
Memorial Day and Town Anniversary Day	500.00
Franconia Recreation Program	600.00
Cemeteries	1,500.00
Advertising Franconia/Sugar Hill/Easton	Moderntor
Chamber of Commerce	1,624.85
Interest of Temporary Loans	2,000.00
Interest of Long Term Loans	3,562.50
Principal on Long Term Loans	7,000.00
Lisbon Bridge Payment	1,814.27
Town Tax Map	2,500.00

Total \$111,235.05

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the use of the Sugar Hill Bicentennial Committee.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,100.00 for a new snow plow for the Highway Department and to authorize the withdrawal of that amount from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to establish three Equipment Reserve Funds by dissolving the present Capital Reserve Fund and distributing its funds by: forty-four (44) percent into the Fire Department Equipment Reserve Fund, forty-one (41) percent into the Highway Department Equipment Reserve Fund and, fifteen (15) percent into the Police Department Equipment Reserve Fund.

Article 10. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,000.00 for the Fire Department Equipment Reserve Fund, the sum of \$6,500.00 for the Highway Department Equipment Reserve Fund, and the sum of \$2,500.00 for the Police Department Equipment Reserve Fund.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to turn over the ownership and title of the 1939 Ford Truck, Serial Number 18-025-828, to the membership of the Sugar Hill Fire Department for disposal as they see fit, any proceeds from which are directed to be entered into the private fund of that organization to help defray the cost of acquisition and equipping the 1968 Chevrolet Van.

Article 12. If Article 11 passes in the affirmative, to see if the Town will vote to accept the ownership and title from the membership of the Sugar Hill Fire Department of the 1968 Chevrolet Van Truck, Serial Number GS158P126176, which is being equipped as an emergency vehicle and equipment van.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,942.39 to be used as the Town's share of purchasing the back assessments on the New Hampshire Retirement System for Police Chief Gary Young.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to calculate the proportion of quota requests paid in the year 1975 by the immediate surrounding towns to the White Mountains Region Association and to apply that proportion as the Town's payment to this year's request of \$1,249.02 to that association.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Moderator to appoint a committee to study the provisions of RSA 204-A, relative to Public Housing and to report their findings to the Selectmen no later than January 1, 1977.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, contract for and accept aid from the government of the United States and the government of New Hampshire and to authorize the Selectmen to spend such funds.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to direct a discount of one percent (1%) to be made to those persons or corporations who shall pay taxes within a period of time three (3) weeks from the date of the tax bill.

**Article 19.** To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Moderator to appoint such committees as seem necessary.

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

Given under our hands and seals this twenty-sixth day of January, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Six.

Selectmen of Sugar Hill, New Hampshire

Roger H. Aldrich Donald E. Jesseman Bradford H. Whipple

#### BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF SUGAR HILL,

Estimate of the Revenue for the Year 1976 Compared with Actual Revenue for the Year 1975

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated 1975	Actual 1975	Estimated 1976
From State:			
	\$36,276.00	\$36,276.06	\$36,000.00
Savings Bank Tax	543.00	543.37	500.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	2,802.00	2,802.81	2,800.00
Highway Subsidy	6,541.00	6,540.90	6,500.00
Reimbursement a/c Flood		THE PERM	Letalisation
Control Land		334.00	
Reimbursement a/c Busines	S		
Profits Tax		1,027.00	1,078.00
Reimbursement from Crime			
Commission		1,324.00	
Reimbursement a/c Gasoline	e		
Tax	500.00	1,045.89	500.00
From Local Sources:			
Dog Licenses	200.00	163.80	150.00
Business Licenses, Permits			
& Filing Fees	2.00	34.00	10.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	7,500.00	9, 183. 45	9,000.00
Interest on Taxes & Deposits	1,170.00	1,823.23	1,000.00
Withdrawal Capital Reserve			
Funds	3,250.00	3,250.00	translated.
National Bank Stock Taxes	93.00	92.70	93.00
Resident Taxes Retained	2,590.00	2,803.00	2,800.00
Normal Yield Taxes			
Assessed	483.00		400.00
Rent of Town Property	600.00	100.00	100.00
Sale of Town Property		160.00	
Income from Departments	0-0 00	2,529.73	0-1
Bond & Note Issues (Contra)	71,250.00	71,250.00	g <sub>11</sub> ,750.00
Surplus			2,000.00

#### **NEW HAMPSHIRE FOR THE YEAR 1975**

Estimate of Expenditures for the Year 1976 Compared with Actual Expenditures for the Year 1975

PURPOSE OF EXPENDITURES	Approp.	Actual 1975	Estimated 1976
General Government: Town Officers' Salaries \$ Town Officers' Expenses	2,325.00	\$ 2,325.00	\$ 2,950.00
(Including 650 Appraisal) Election & Registration	4,150.00	3,913.85	4,500.00
Expenses Town Hall & Other Town	250.00	412.72	700.00
Buildings Employees' Retirement &	3,300.00	3,428.80	3,500.00
Social Security	1,800.00	1,789.45	2,000.00
Protection of Persons & Property:			
Police Department	14,000.00	14,717.89	14,000.00
Fire Department	6,675.00	6,562.19	8,500.00
Care of Trees Insurance (Blue Cross 1975,			196.00
880.00)	5,200.00	8,377.80	5,800.00
Planning & Zoning (Dump			9
Planning 1975, 333.70)	650.00	946.58	a <sub>900.00</sub>
Damages & Legal Expense Civil Defense	250.00 25.00	157.10	250.00 50.00
CIVII Delense	20.00		30.00
Health Department:			
Health Department, in-		4.404.00	b
cluding Hospitals	1,481.00	1,481.00	b1,688.00
Vital Statistics Town Dump & Garbage	10.00	12.25	15.00
Removal	1,000.00	580.00	1,000.00
Highways & Bridges:			
Town Maintenance -			c
	27,500.00	27,095.14	<sup>e</sup> 27,500.00
Street Lighting General Expenses of High-	4,200.00	4,263.12	4,300.00
way Department	5,500.00	d <sub>7,147.54</sub>	6,500.00
Town Road Aid	520.69	520.69	
Library:	2,250.00	2,250.00	2.250.00
2	2,200.00	2,200.00	2.200.00

#### Revenue (continued)

From Federal Sources: Revenue Sharing	6,000.00	6,408.00	2,986.00
Total Revenues From All Sources Except Property			
Taxes	, ,	\$147,692.02	\$ 77,267.00
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY PROPERTY TAXES	44,723.13		\$ 76,817.07
TOTAL REVENUES	\$184,523.13		\$154,084.07

#### Budget Reference Notes:

- (a) North Country Council, \$581.00; Sugar Hill Planning Board, \$319.00
- (b) Littleton Hospital, \$500.00; White Mountain Community Services, \$490.00; North Country Home Health Agency, \$698.00
- (c) Summer, \$18,500.00; Winter, \$9,000.00
- (d) 1975 included grader repairs
- (e) State share, \$3,562.56
- (f) White Mountain Regional Association, \$1,249.02; Franconia-Sugar Hill-Easton Chamber of Commerce, \$1,624.85
- (g) Crane Hill Road Bridge

#### Expenditures (continued)

Public Welfare: Town Poor Old Age Assistance	1,000.00 1,000.00	447.19	1,000.00 2,000.00
Patriotic Purposes:  Memorial Day, Bicentennia etc.	al, 250.00	23. 52	500.00
Recreation: Town of Franconia,	600.00	600.00	600.00
Playground	600.00	600.00	600.00
Public Service Enterprises: Cemeteries Advertising & Regional	1,600.00	1,150.00	1,500.00
Associations	2,449.63	2,449.63	f <sub>2,873.87</sub>
Debt Service: Principal & Long Term Notes & Bonds Interest on Long Term Notes & Bonds Interest on Temporary			7,000.00 3,562.50
Loans	1,500.00	2,112.74	2,000.00
Capital Outland			
Capital Outlay: Lisbon Bridge Payment Town Tax Map Highway Truck Fire Station Gasoline Storage Tank & Pump Office Equipment Meeting House (left over Funds) Snow Plow Crane Hill Road Bridge Payment to Capital Reserv Funds		2,336.81 2,500.00 12,843.00 72,759.25 1,668.10 372.72 160.10	1,814.27 2,500.00 2,100.00 23,500.00 16,000.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$184, 523.13	\$185,404.18	\$154,084.07

"Don't be afraid of opposition. A kite rises highest against the wind, not with it."

Winston Churchill



#### FROM THE SELECTMEN'S POINT OF VIEW

During the year 1975 we found our time most occupied with two matters, the new Fire Station and Current Use Assessments. We really had no intention of spending so much time on just these two things but that is the way it turned out.

Under Article 3 of the 1975 annual meeting the Selectmen were authorized to purchase land and construct a new fire station. A front elevation of the proposed building was printed in the annual report. After a great deal of discussion with the Fire Department, we approached the Sugar Hill Improvement Association to see if we could purchase the five acre piece of land owned by them near the top of the hill. Since it was held by them for use as a park, we proposed to use it for the dual purposes of Fire Station and Park. We offered the use of the old Fire Station to the Association, as it stands on land owned by them in any case.

The Board of Directors of the Association approved of the transfer and took the matter up with their membership at what we thought was a well publicized meeting. The membership voted in favor of the transfer and we went ahead with it. With the approval of the Fire Department, we signed a contract with Trapper Brown Corp. for construction of the fire station, essentially the same building as that pictured in the 1974 report. It was necessary to obtain approval of the Board of Adjustment under the Special Exception provision of the Zoning Ordinance. Due to the fact that some of the Board of Adjustment members were out of the State on vacation, we found that there was no way we could speed up the hearing.

The Fire Department wished to occupy the new building before winter and, since construction time was short, we authorized clearing and site preparation before approval by the Board of Adjustment on the basis that if they denied approval of the site for construction of a fire station we would have a road and clear area for use as a park. The Board of Adjustment did approve our application, although they reprimanded the Board of Selectmen for acting with what they termed "inordinate haste" with the site preparation.

In retrospect, and in view of the fact that the legislature subsequently amended the statutes to prohibit site preparation prior to approval, we would have to agree that we probably did act hastily. We do feel, however, that the only change in the end would have been a delay in the start of construction and a consequent delay in occupying the new building, so we have no regrets.

During each phase of this project we met with the usual criticism of those who did not approve from the start. At times the criticism became loud enough for us to become concerned about it, but, as usual, we found that the loudness had not so much to do with the numbers of critics as it had with their ability to make themselves heard.

The building was occupied in November and the Fire Department held an open house on November 11th. Visitors on that occasion spoke well of the building, and we were heartened by the approval of those in fire service from other towns. The Fire Department members have been pleased enough with the building to show their appreciation by manning the station during the hours from 11:00 pm to 6:00 am for the winter months. Since this has to be a voluntary effort, and since not all members chose to participate, the duty comes up about every 18 days. We think that those members participating in this program deserve the thanks of their fellow townsmen.

In one way or another we found ourselves involved with this project three or four times a week from late April until early November. We feel that the time spent was worth the effort.

We might as well say from the start that the second subject to occupy our time, Current Use Assessment or "Open Space", was nowhere near so pleasant. We found it necessary to hold an extra selectmen's meeting each week from the latter part of June until early September simply to cope with the staggering amount of paper work involved with this matter. Much of the paper work is generated by the demands for statistical information made by the Department of Revenue Administration. There have been a few benefits to us however. One is that through the compilation of statistics for the Revenue Department we have a better understanding of the facts and figures involved. Another is that in order to avoid so many extra meetings and long hours we are moving to have computerized as much of this as possible.

Elsewhere in this report you will find a copy of the statistics which we are required to furnish the Revenue Department. It involves 31 landowners, approximately 10% of the number of landowners in Sugar Hill. It involves some 4,000 acres, approximately 40% of the land area of Sugar Hill and a little less than one-half of the potential land. The loss in taxes in 1975 was about \$11,000.00, or to put it another way, \$11,000.00 had to be absorbed by land which did not qualify for Current Use Assessment.

At this point we are unable to decide whether this law is good or bad for our town. We have no hesitation in saying, however, that it is a far too heavy burden for the Selectmen. We wish that the Legislature and the Current Use Advisory Board and the Supreme Court would stop tinkering with the thing long enough for us to find out what the rules are and how you really play the game.

It may seem to you that we have spent too much time on these two subjects in this report. We agree with you, not only in the report, but during the year as well. We have many problems which are in need of attention, not the least of which is refuse disposal, and we can ill afford to spend so much time on so few matters. We do not know what the solution is, except that we are sure that it will involve the expenditure of more money.

In 1975 we were saddened by the death of two of our town officials. Enzo (Serry) Serafini died in March. Serry had been Moderator of the town of Sugar Hill since its beginning, and before that Moderator and school board member of Sugar Hill School District for many years. His evenhanded, firm control of our sometimes controversial meetings was a joy to watch, and to participate in those meetings with him was a privilege. Serry was also a member of the Board of Adjustment and could always be counted on to make a wise decision. We miss him.

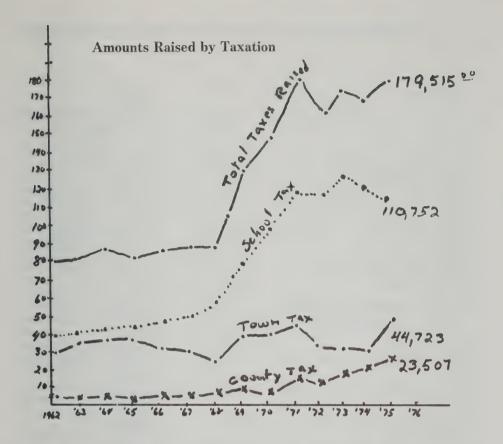
Dr. Ernst (Ernie) Glaessel was a member of both the Planning Board and the Board of Adjustment. His vast knowledge of civic affairs had on many occasions proved extremely helpful to us and, his length of service with us was not long enough, for we have great need of people of his ability. Good-bye, Ernie.

We hope to be able to spend more time in 1976 on finding a solution to our solid waste disposal problem. We have only a year left in which to accomplish this task.

We are suggesting that the Town start setting aside an amount that we have calculated will take care of future major equipment needs. It seems large, but we see no viable alternative.

The warrant for the 1976 meeting is unavoidably lengthy. Better bring your lunch. One bright spot in the future is the Sugar Hill Bicentennial Celebration, planned for July 17, 1976. Mark the date on your calendar. It's going to be fun!







George Aldrich's "Blacksmith Shop" was located on the lot where our Post Office is now. (Dorothy Aldrich)

#### COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND

	Forwarded From 1974	Appropriations
Town Officers' Salaries	\$	\$ 2,325.00
Town Officers' Expenses		3,500.00
Election and Registrations		250.00
Expenses of Town Building		3,300.00
Reappraisal of Property		650.00
Police Department		14,000.00
Fire Department		6,675.00
Insurance		5,200.00
Civil Defense		25.00
Health Dept. and Hospitals		1,481.00
Vital Statistics		10.00
Town Dump		1,000.00
Town Road Maintenance - Summer		1,900.00
Town Road Maintenance - Winter Town Road Aid		8,500.00
Street Lighting		520.69 $4,200.00$
General Expenses of Highway Dept.		5,500.00
Library		2,250.00
Old Age Assistance		1,000.00
Town Poor		1,000.00
Memorial Day, Town Anniv. and Bicentennial		250.00
Conservation Commission	500.00	200.00
Recreation Program	000,00	600.00
Cemeteries		1,600.00
Planning and Zoning	3,000.00	650.00
Damage and Legal Expenses		250.00
Advertising and Regional Assoc.		2,449.63
Discounts, Abatements and Refunds		2,121.44
Social Security and Retirement		1,800.00
Interest on Temporary Loans		1,500.00
Interest on Long Term Notes and Bonds		
Principal Payments, Long Term Notes & Bonds		
Capital Reserve Fund	25,062.59	
Town Tax Map		3,000.00
Gas Tank and Pump		1,700.00
Office Equipment		500.00
Town Truck and Equipment		12,500.00
Meeting House Fund	160.97	00 500 55
County Tax		23,506.57
Lisbon Bridge		2,336.81
Fire Station	CO 450 15	75,000.00
School Districts U.S. Revenue Sharing	$69,472.15 \\ 267.96$	
	\$98,463.67	\$320,902.75

## EXPENDITURES, Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1975

Receipts	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Bala Unexpended	nces Overdrafts	Carried to 1976 Liabilities
<b>A</b>	A 0 005 00	A 9 995 00			Φ.
\$	\$ 2,325.00	\$ 2,325.00	\$	\$	\$
	3,500.00 250.00	3,402.53 412.72	97.47	162.72	
431.53	3,731.53	3,428.80	302.73	102.12	
401,00	650.00	511.32	138.68		
1,324.00	15,324.00	14,717.89	606.11		
35.94	6,710.94	6,562.19	148.75		
2,536.80	7,736.80	8,377.80		641.00	
,	25.00	ŕ	25.00		
	1,481.00	1,481.00			
	10.00	12.25		2.25	
	1,000.00	580.00	420.00		
	1,900.00	17,298.03	1,701.97		
	8,500.00	8,793.32		293.32	
3,186.50	3,707.19	3,707.19			
	4,200.00	4,263.12		63.12	
2,529.73	8,029.73	7,147.54	882.19		
	2,250.00	2,250.00			
	1,000.00	447.19	552.81		
	1,000.00		1,000.00		
	250.00	23.52	1.48		225.00
	500.00	45.00			455.00
	600.00	600.00	450.00		
00.00	1,600.00	1,150.00	450.00		0 000 00
30.00	3,680.00	946.58	67.12		2,666.30
	250.00	157.10	92.90		
	2,449.63	2,449.63 397.48	1,723.96		
142.12	2,121.44 1,942.12	1,868.78	73.34		
144.14	1,500.00	2,112.74	10.04	619 71	
	1,500.00	2,112.14		612.74	
1,347.84	26,410.43	3,250.00*			23,160.43
	3,000.00	2,500.00	500.00		
	1,700.00	1,668.10	31.90		
	500.00	372.72	127.28		
	12,500.00	12,843.00		343.00	
	160.97	160.00	. 97		
	23,506.57	23,506.57			
	2,336.81	2,336.81			0.040.==
	75,000.00	72,759.25			2,240.75
0 400 01	180,223.76	129,472.15			50,751.61
6,430.61	6,698.57	6,000.00*			698.57
\$17,995.07	\$437,361.49	\$350,337.32	\$8,944.66	\$2,118.15	\$80,197.66
	N	et Unexpended	-2,118.15 $$6,826.51$		
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#### Town of Sugar Hill

#### **BALANCE**

#### ASSETS

Cash in Hands of Treasurer	\$133,678	. 84
Capital Reserve Funds	23,160	. 43
Unredeemed Taxes: Levy of 1974	101	. 74
Uncollected Taxes: Levy of 1975, including Resident	Taxes8,839.	. 54
Т	otal Assets \$165,780.	. 55



The Reverend Nickerson and his granddaughter Rebecca Bowles - about 1919. He and his daughter photographed many of the scenes that have been used in this and past issues of our Town Reports. (Photo by Dorothy Aldrich)

#### LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town: Unexpended Balances of Spe Appropriations	cial	<b>*</b> \$ 5,587.05
Unexpended Revenue Sharing	g Funds	698. 57
Bond & Debt Retirement Tax	xes, 2%	127.92
Yield Tax Deposits		180.00
School Districts Taxes Paya	able	50,751.61
Bond Anticipation Note (Peo Bank, Littleton, NH, 01/2		71,250.00
Total Acc	counts Owed by the Town	\$128,595.15
Capital Reserve Funds		23,160.43
	Total Liabilities	<b>\$151,755.58</b>
Current Surplus (Excess of ass	sets over liabilities)	14,024.97
	Grand Total	\$165,780.55
*Dump Planning Conservation Committee Fire Station Bicentennial Committee	\$2,666.30 455.00 2,240.75 225.00 \$5,587.05	

#### SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings Furniture and Equipment	\$ 70,000.00 5,000.00
Library, Lands and Building Furniture and Equipment	20,000.00 3,000.00
Police Department, Equipment	5,000.00
Fire Department, Lands and Building Equipment	72,000.00 38,500.00
Highway Department, Lands and Building Equipment	5,000.00 55,000.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	3,000.00
Sugar Hill Dump	500.00
Cemeteries	11,000.00
Village Green Building	20,000.00
TOTAL	\$308,000.00



The David Smiths at their home on the Pearl Lake Road in the 1890's. (Don Jesseman)

#### AUDITOR'S REPORT

I certify that I have examined the accounts of the town clerk, tax collector, town treasurer, selectmen, trustees of the trust funds and library trustees and found them correct and properly vouched.

WILLIAM A. NORTON

Town Auditor February 9, 1976



#### TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

To the voters of the Town of Sugar Hill:

I herewith submit my fourteenth annual report of the financial doings of my office for the year 1975.

Auto Tax Permit Applications issued for 1974	\$ 139.25
Auto Tax Permit Applications issued for 1975	9,044.20
Dog Licenses sold for 1975	163.80

\$9,347.25

The sum of the total receipts was turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

Edith Aldrich Town Clerk

#### SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Assessed Land Va Buildings		\$3,670,242.00 6,048,350.00
Public Utilities -	Electric	259, 450.00
	Cotal valuation before exemptions	\$9,973,042.00
Elderly Exemption	ns (1)	5,000.00
New Valuation on	which Tax Rate is Computed	\$9,973,042.00
1975 Valuation 1974 Valuation	\$ 9,973,042.00 10,113,555.00	
Decrease	\$ 140,513.00	

#### **CURRENT USE SUMMARY 1975**

Total Land Value before Application of Current Use \$4,287,580.00

Land Catagories	Acres	Assessed Value	Current Use Value
Permanent Pasture Forage Crops Horticultural Crops Forest Lands Wild Lands Wet Lands Inactive Farm Lands Discretionary Easments	281.5 215.0 20.0 3,351.5 21.0 60.5 8.0	\$ 78,102.00 57,314.00 3,865.00 567,213.00 3,728.00 7,092.00 4,800.00	\$ 16,081.00 24,608.00 3,540.00 57,600.00 104.00 2,723.00 120.00
	3,957.5	\$722,114.00	\$104,776.00
Difference between assessed volument Use Value	alue and	\$617,338.00	
Net Land Value for Tax Purpos	ses	\$3,670,242.00	
Tax Loss to Town in 1975		\$11,112.84	

#### STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Total Town Appropriations Less Total Revenues and Credits	\$184,523.13 139,800.00
Net Town Appropriations Net School Appropriation	44,723.13
(Lafayette 98,001.14, Profile 12,750.47)	110,751.61
County Tax Assessment	23,506.57
Total Assessments	\$178,981.31
Deduct: Business Profits Tax Reimbursement	3,238.00
Add: Estimated War Service Tax Credits	1,650.00
Add: Overlay	2,121.44
Property Taxes to be Raised	\$179,514.75

#### 1975 TAX RATES:

Town \$ .48
County .23
School 1.09

\$1.80 per \$100 Or \$18.00 per \$1,000



#### COMPARISON OF TAX RATES

1973	1974	1975
Town \$ .35 County .17 School 1.27 \$1.79	Town \$ .34 County .18 School $\frac{1.16}{\$1.68}$	Town $$.48$ County $.23$ School $\frac{1.09}{\$1.80}$

## SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Property, Resident and Yield Taxes Levy of 1975

#### DEBITS

Taxes Committed to Collector: Property Taxes Resident Taxes National Bank Stock Taxes		\$177,855.13 2,500.00 92.70	\$180,447.83
Yield Taxes			178.09
Added Taxes: Property Taxes Resident Taxes		120.00	120.00
Interest Collected on Delinquent Pro	perty		16.47
Penalties Collected on Resident Tax	es		18.00
	Total	Debits	\$180,780.39
CRED	ITS		
Remittances to Treasurer: Property Taxes Resident Taxes National Bank Stock Taxes Yield Taxes Interest Collected Penalties on Resident Taxes		\$168,151.34 2,160.00 92.70 16.47 18.00	\$170,438.51
Discounts Allowed			1,254.25
Abatements Made During Year: Property Taxes Resident Taxes Yield Taxes		50.00	70.00
Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 3 (As per Collector's List) Property Taxes Resident Taxes Yield Taxes	1975 Total (	8,399.54 440.00 178.09	9,017.63 \$180,780.39
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#### **SUMMARY OF WARRANT**

Property, Resident and Yield Taxes Levy of 1974

#### DEBITS

Uncollected Taxes - As of January 1, 1975 Property Taxes Resident Taxes Yield Taxes	\$ 7,055.55 640.00 187.43	\$ 7,882.98
Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes		316.47
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		 53.00
Total	Debits	\$ 8,252.45
CREDITS  Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1975: Property Taxes Resident Taxes Yield Taxes Interest Collected During Year Penalties on Resident Taxes	\$ 6,777.40 520.00 316.47 53.00	\$ 7,666.87
Abatements Made During Year: Property Taxes Resident Taxes	\$ 278.15 120.00	398.15
Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1975: (As per Collector's List) Property Taxes Resident Taxes Yield Taxes	187.43	187.43
Total C	Credits	\$ 8,252.45

#### SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Property, Resident and Yield Taxes Levy of 1973

#### **DEBITS**

Interest Collected on Delinquent Property Taxes

\$4.96

Total Debits

\$4.96

CREDITS

Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1975: Interest Collected During Year

\$4.96

Total Credits

\$4.96

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Property, Resident and Yield Taxes Levy of 1972

#### DEBITS

Uncollected Taxes - As of January 31, 1975: Property Taxes

\$5.95

**Total Debits** 

\$5.95

UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALES

December 31, 1975

\$101.74 \$

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Baker, William O.

#### SUMMARY OF TAX SALE ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1975

#### **DEBITS**

Tax Sales on Account of Levies of:			
	1974	1973	1972
(a) Balance of Unredeemed Taxes of January 1, 1975	\$	\$88.66	\$1,487.13
(b) Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	101.74		
Interest Collected After Sale		3.62	283.24
Redemption Costs	malement trialent resultant and a second second		4.44
Total Debits	\$101.74	\$92.28	\$1,775.31
CREDITS			
Remittances to Treasurer During Year:			
Redemptions	\$		\$1,487.63
Interest & Costs After Sale Unredeemed Taxes - December 31, 1975	101.74	3.62	287.68
Total Credits	\$101.74	\$92.28	\$1,775.31

#### YIELD TAX SECURITY DEPOSITS RECEIVED DURING 1975

November 24, 1975 - Richard Boulanger for Pescosolido Lot; Hannah Lot	\$ 69.00
December 2, 1975 - Charles Sullivan for P. Struhsacker Lot	72.00
December 22, 1975 - Paul Hayward for Serafini Lot	39.00
	\$180.00

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

#### RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand, January 1, 1975		\$ 70,683.97
Edith M. Aldrich, Tax Collector \$	3179,977.93	
Edith M. Aldrich, Town Clerk	9,347.25	
State of New Hampshire	54,035.79	
Lafayette National Bank (Temporary Loans)	85,000.00	
Peoples National Bank (Temporary Loan	m	
in Anticipation of Bond)	71,250.00	
Interest on Bank Certificates and Regular		
Savings Accounts	1,225.04	
Pistol Permits	4.00	
Subdivision Fees	30.00	
Highway Department Revenue	2,761.61	
Rental of Town Meeting House	100.00	
Yield Tax Security Deposits	180.00	
Refunds:		
Willing Workers on Dishwasher Install.	135.82	
White Mt. Supervisory Union	195.71	
Fire Department Member Insurance	30.00	
State of N.H. Forest Fire Div. Refund	35.94	
Peckett's	22.38	
Franconia Agency-Ins. Premium Refund	2,506.80	
State of N.HPolice Radio Refund	1,324.00	
Gifts	3.00	
Sale of Town Property	160.00	
Withdrawals from Capitol Reserve Fund	3,250.00	
U.S. Govt. Bond for Fire Station	71,250.00	
U.S. Govt. Revenue Sharing	6,408.00	
Interest on Rev. Sharing Bank Certificate	22.61	
Richardson Memorial Library-Soc. Sec.	75.62	
Sunnyside Cemetery AssocSoc. Sec.	66.50	489,398.00

Total Available

\$560,081.97

#### PAYMENTS

#### Orders of Selectmen:

Payment of Accounts	\$426,403.13
Purchase of Bank Certificates for Town \$ 62,362.00	
Purchase of Bank Certificates for Rev. Shar. 1,638.00	
To open Savings Acct Lafayette Nat. Bnk. 25,000.00	
To open Savings Acct Peoples Nat. Bnk. 25,000.00	
To open Savings Acct Peoples Nat. Bnk.	
in Anticipation of Temp. Loan Payt. due 71,250.00	
t t	
Total \$611,653.13	
In Treasurer Account:	
Cash on Hand, December 31, 1975 \$ 12,428.84	
Savings Acct Lafayette Nat. Bnk. 25,000.00	
Savings Acct Peoples Nat. Bnk. 25,000.00	
Savings Acct Peoples Nat. Bnk. 71,250.00	133,678.84

\$560,081.97

Respectfully submitted,

Lissa M. Boissonneault Town Treasurer



This is a greatly reduced reproduction (17%) of the 1908 picture by W. H. Weisman of Franconia, from which the center fold was made. The roadway is now Route 117 and the picture was made near the intersection of the Blake Road. Profile Farm is seen above the gate bars. The mountain peaks from left to right are North & South Twin, Garfield, Lafayette, Lincoln, Haystack, Profile, Cannon, Jackson, the Three Cannon Balls (or Graces) and Kinsman. (J. Corsi)

#### Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes: Property Taxes, Current Year-1975 Resident Taxes, Current Year-1975 National Bank Stock Taxes-1975	38,151.34 2,160.00 92.70	
Total Current Year's Taxes Remitted		\$170,404.04
Property & Yield Taxes - Previous Years Resident Taxes - Previous Years Interest Received on Taxes Penalties on Resident Taxes Tax Sales Redeemed		6,777.40 520.00 629.20 71.00 1,576.29
From State: For Town Road Aid Highway Subsidy Interest & Dividends Tax Savings Bank Tax State Aid for Flood Control Land & Water Pollution Projects Reimbursement a-c Motor Veh. Rd. Toll Meals and Rooms Tax		3,486.20 6,540.98 36,276.06 543.37 334.00 814.01 2,802.81
Reimbursements a-c Bus. Profits Tax		3,238.36
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:  Dog Licenses Business Licenses, permits and filing fees Rent of Town Property Interest received on deposits Income from departments Motor Vehicle Permits 1974 1975	139.25 9,044.20	163.80 34.00 100.00 1,225.04 2,529.73
Total Current Revenue Receipts		\$247,249.74

#### Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:	
Town Officers' Salaries	2,325.00
Town Officers' Expenses	3,402.53
Election & Registration Expenses	412.72
Expenses of Town Buildings	3,428.80
Reappraisal of Property	511.32
Protection of Persons and Property:	
Police Department	14,717.89
Fire Dept., includes Forest Fires	6,562.19
Planning & Zoning	946.58
Insurance	8,377.80
Conservation Commission	45.00
- Constitution Commission	10,00
Health:	
Health Dept., inc. hospitals	1,481.00
Vital Statistics	12.25
Town Dump	580.00
Highways and Bridges:	
Town Road Aid	3,707.19
Town Maintenance-Summer	17,298.03
Town Maintenance-Winter	8,793.32
Street Lighting	4,263.12
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	7,147.54
Library:	0.000
Richardson Memorial Library	2,250.00
Public Welfare:	
Old Age Assistance	447.19
Datriotic Durnogog.	
Patriotic Purposes:  Mem. Day, Vet. Assoc. and Old Home Day	23.52
Mem. Day, vet. Assoc. and Old nome Day	45.04



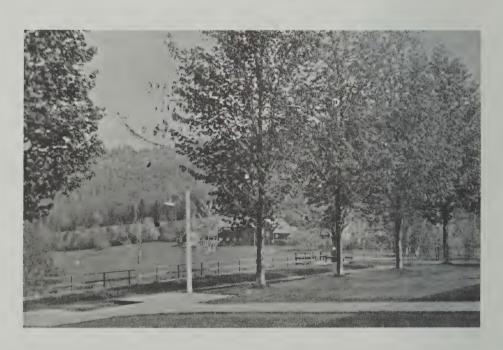


#### Receipts (continued)

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:		
Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	85,000.00	
Proceeds of Bond Issues	71,250.00	
Insurance adjustments	3,300.65	
Gifts	3.00	
Withdrawals from Capital Res. Funds	3,250.00	
Sale of Town Property	160.00	
Yield Tax Security Deposits	180.00	
Grants from U.S. Government		
Revenue Sharing	6,408.00	
Int. on Investments of Rev. Shar. Funds	22.61	
Law Enforcement Assistance Act	1,324.00	
Proceeds of Loans in Anticipation of		
Bond Issues	71,250.00	
Total Receipts Other than Current Revenu	ıe	\$242,148.26
Total Receipts from All Sources		489,398.00
Cash on Hand January 1, 1975		70,683.97

Grand Total

\$560,081.97



Looking over the main front entrance of the Sunset Hill House toward Ore Mountain.

Circa 1900 - (Cooley)

### Payments (continued)

Recreation: Town of Franconia, Playground	600.00	
Town of Transonia, Trayground	000,00	
Public Service Enterprises: Cemeteries	1,150.00	
Unclassified: Damages and Legal Expenses Advertising and Regional Assoc. Taxes bought by Town Discounts, Abatements and Refunds Employees' Retirement & Soc. Sec		
Total Current Maintenance Expens	es	\$ 93,457.72
Debt Service: Paid on Tax Anticipation Notes		2,112.74
Principal of Debt: Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes	· S	85,000.00
Capital Outlay: Lands & Buildings-Fire Station New Equipment, Town Truck New Equipment, Other Tax Maps	72,759.25 12,843.00 2,200.92 2,500.00	
Total Outlay Payments		\$ 90,303.17
Payments to Other Governmental Divis State a-c 2% Bond & Debt Ret. Taxes Taxes paid to County Town of Lisbon, Bridge Payment Payments to School Districts 1974 1975		
Total Payments to Other Governme	ental Divisions	\$155,529.50
Total Payments for all Purposes Cash on Hand December 31, 1975		\$426,403.13 133,678.84
Gran	nd Total	\$560,081.97

### DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

400.00

1.90

63.38

72.51

176.70

830.00

15.00

10.00

312.00

262,60

35.00

21.96

7.09

7.52

530.10

1.20

### TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Bradford Whipple, postage

Edith Aldrich, postage

Lisbon Postmaster, postage

Lissa Boissonneault, postage

Varney-Smith Lumber Co.

Littleton Office Supply, supplies

Edith Aldrich, fees & expenses

Edith Aldrich, Tax Collector & Town Clerk Convention

Lissa Boissonneault, Board of Adjustment Secretary

Harrison Publishing House, env., tax bills, rec. forms

Edwin Jamback, Cent. for Comm. Serv., reg. fee H. Officer

Harrison Publishing House, Town Reports

Edith Aldrich, Secretary to the Selectmen

N.H. State Treas., boat reports & OASI fee

Mitchell Vincent, Bicentennial papers

Roger Aldrich. Selectman Chairman

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Donald E. Jesseman, Selectman		350.00
Bradford Whipple, Selectman		350.00
Lissa Boissonneault, Town Treasurer		350.00
Mary E. Peckett, Overseer of Public Welfare		100.00
William Norton, Auditor		25.00
Robert Whitney Jr., Moderator		25.00
David Shepatin, Moderator		25.00
Edith Aldrich, Town Clerk		300.00
Edith Aldrich, Tax Collector		400.00
	\$	2,325.00
TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES		
N.H. Municipal Association, dues	\$	100.00
N.H. City & Town Clerks Association, dues		10.00
N.H. Tax Collectors Association, dues		10.00
N.H. Association of Assessors, dues		10.00
N.H. Association of Conservation Commission, dues		20.00
Roger Aldrich, NHMA meetings & mileage		37.60
Donald Jesseman, meetings & mileage		31.50
American Press, employees sheets		4.75
Brown & Saltmarsh Inc., supplies		196.06
N.H. Mun. Assoc., new laws, hndbks & Tax Col. meeting	g	26.00
Equity Publishing Co., books		40.00
Charles A. Wood		7.22
Franconia Insurance Agency, Bonds		269.00
Courier Printing Co., notices		282.24

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Branham Publishing Co., reference books Barbara J. Fortier		10.90
	\$	3,402.53
ELECTION & REGISTRATION		
Philip Robertson, Supervisor of the Check List	\$	70.00
Dorothy E. MacEwan, Supervisor of the Check List		60.00
Edward Wessels, Supervisor of the Check List		70.00
Sybil Norton, Ballot Clerk		10.00
Neil McLaughlin, Ballot Clerk		10.00
Anna Congdon, Ballot Clerk		10.00
Evelyn Whitney, Ballot Clerk		10.00
Courier Printing Co., notices		80.64
Harrison Publishing House, check lists & transfer card	S	65.25
Lissa Boissonneault, election meal		20.00
Kelley's Shop & Save		6.83
	\$	412.72
TOWN HALL AND OTHER TOWN BUILDINGS		
Public Service Co. of N.H., electricity, town garage	\$	37.55
Public Service Co. of N.H., electricity, Meeting House		547.50
New England Telephone		369.29
J. C. Plumbing & Heating		343.64
Franconia Hardware, supplies		60.78
Varney-Smith Lumber Co., stage material		78.60
Floradale, replacing flowers		12.00
Virgil Coffin, custodian		600.00
N.C. McCullock, 3484 gals. fuel, Meeting House		1,240.24
Roger Aldrich, having piano tuned		20.00
Littleton Mini Motors, repairs to mower		112.75
Prescott Lumber, angle iron	-	6.45
	\$	3,428.80
REVALUATION OF PROPERTY		
Treasurer, State of N.H.	\$	511.32
POLICE DEPARTMENT		
Gary G. Young, Salary	\$	9,708.90
Hunt's Auto Center, cruiser repair, tire & serv.		603.44
Labraney Exxon, dry gas & road service.		8.50
David Young		36.45

Sanel Auto Parts, supplies Central Equipment Corp., lights & name ba Gary G. Young, Chiefs Convention Mack's Men Shop, UnifB. Whipple; G. Pec Dicks House for Small Animals, stray dog		162.86 241.38 126.00 193.62 35.00 192.08
Firestone Stores, 4 tires General Electric, radio Franconia Sunoco, anti-freeze Corey's Gun Shop, ammunition		1,408.97 3.00 20.00
Doane Oil, oil Enrenmann-Rovin Co., badge, top panel & Norman Demers, radio adjustment Eureka Hose Co., #1, fire Extinguisher	cap piece	50.22 42.05 10.00 24.00
Arthur Boutin Bissons Wheel Alignment University of N.H., tuition fee Village Gun Store, shotgun & revolver		12.00 13.00 95.00 275.00
Glines Signs, decals & lettering cruiser Scientific Detection Devices, ammunition Texaco, 3,658.7 gals. gasoline		71.30 141.16 1,243.96 \$ 14,717.89
INSURANCE		Ψ 11,111.00
N.H. Blue Cross-Blue Shield, Town Share Franconia Insurance Agency Contractors Equipment Comprehensive Gen. Equip. Comp. Auto Liab. Comprehensive Gen. Liab. Audit Comprehensive Auto Liab. Med. add. prem. paymts.	\$ 585.00 1,803.00 22.00 15.00	\$ 880.80
1975 Chevrolet truck liab. Add. Prem.	512.00	2,937.00
Ferdinando Ins. Assoc.Inc. Special pkg. add. prem.	4,513.00 47.00	4,560.00
		\$ 8,377.80
FIRE DEPARTMENT		4 40 00
Middlesex Fire Equipment MacKenzie Auto Parts International Harvestor Franconia Garage Twin State Mutual Aid Fire Assoc., dues		\$ 10.68 341.70 .92 4.00 150.00
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Twin State Mutual Aid Fire Assoc.		24.00
Treasurer White Mt. School Dist.		25.00
Del Chemical Corp.		195.03
Donald Boissonneault, trip to Concord		5.66
Frank Zuk		53.00
Wright Communications Inc.		511.32
Public Service Co. of N.H.		281.91
Franconia Hardware		197.19
New England Telephone		585.47
Community Oil		957.14
Wetherbee Oil		154.05
Sanel Auto Parts		40.81
William A. Norton		20.00
Robert Hayward		20.00
Bradford Whipple		38.73
Blanchard Associates		397.73
Leo Cote, clock repair		15.00
Good Year		45.08
Ross Express		5.45
A.N. Farr Co.		55.95
Morris		55.70
Randy Whitcher, dredging fire pond		400.00
Hunt's Auto Center		105.90
Tabbut's TV		9.90
N.H. Firemens Assoc.		84.00
Alexander's Body Shop		303.58
Grafton County Conservation Treasurer		285.00
Eureka Hose Co. #1		62.15
Johnson's Texaco Station		4.00
Peggy Reid, refreshments		16.70
Harry Reid		13.00
Texaco Inc., gasoline		138.46
Roger Aldrich, record book		6.15
Fire Department Payroll	-	837.00
	\$	6,457.36
Forest Fire		104.83
	\$	6,562.19
HEALTH DEPARTMENT		
North Country Home Health Agency, appropriation	\$	491.00
White Mtn. Community Services, appropriations		490.00
Littleton Hospital Association, appropriation		500.00
appropriated		
	\$	1,481.00
	Ψ	101.00

### VITAL STATISTICS

Edith Aldrich	\$	12.25
TOWN DUMP		
Fred Hunt, use of loader & bulldozer Harold Aldrich, care of dump	\$	80.00 500.00
	\$	580.00
TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE - SUMMER		
Harold Aldrich, Agent Rodney Lyndes Ernest Odell Wayne Mardin Fred Hunt, bulldozer Fred Hunt, backhoe Reginald Johnson, compressor N.H. Bituminous Co., Inc. Tetreault Salvage Corp., culvert Merrimack Farmers Exchange, chloride Amos Locke, 259 yds. gravel Fred Hunt, 518 yds. crushed gravel Ruth Hutchins & Fred Aldrich, sand & gravel Mrs. Otto Gersom, 150 yds. gravel Ray O. Parker & Son Inc., balance due from 1974 Edward Wessels Rodney Ainsworth, rings in screen motor	\$ - \$	4,224.00 912.00 515.85 684.00 300.00 260.00 72.00 6,596.99 131.01 133.60 64.75 699.30 1,346.75 30.00 1,000.00 317.78 10.00
TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE - WINTER		
Harold Aldrich, Agent Rodney Lyndes Bradford Whipple John Aldrich Edward Wessels Wayne Mardin Robert Peckett, bulldozer Morton Salt Co. Ruth Hutchins & Fred Aldrich Merrimack Farmers Exchange, poly Concord Woodworking	\$	4,540.00 2,048.86 108.68 20.25 25.65 570.00 90.00 921.96 250.75 60.00 157.17
	\$	8,793.32

### TOWN ROAD AID

N.H. State Treasurer, appropriation		\$	520.69
		Ψ	
Harold Aldrich, Agent			960.00
Ernest Odell			410.40
Lewis Mardin, backhoe			121.25
Reginald Johnson, compressor			240.00
Fred Hunt, truck \$	258.00		
loader	705.60		
backhoe	128.00		1,091.60
The state of the s	120.00		114.00
Rodney Lyndes			
Ruth Hutchins & Fred Aldrich			249.25
		\$	3,707.19
STREET LIGHTING			
Public Service Co. of N.H.		\$	4,263.12
Public Service Co. of N. II.		φ	4,205.12
GENERAL EXPENSE OF HIGHWAY DEPARTM	ENT		
Sanel Auto Parts, supplies & parts \$		\$	482.61
Jordon Milton Machinery, cut. edge & parts	253.95	т	
sealed unit	21.92		
	41.04		
repairs -			
• 7	0.40 =0		
side shiftblade	348.50		
Complete grader inspection & repairs	1,095.40		1,719.77
	1,095.40		1,719.77 25.00
Complete grader inspection & repairs	1,095.40		
Complete grader inspection & repairs Alexander's Body Shop, rep. snowplow & tailgate Ross Express	1,095.40		25.00
Complete grader inspection & repairs Alexander's Body Shop, rep. snowplow & tailgate Ross Express B-B Chain Co., grader cross chains, locks & pr.	1,095.40		25.00 17.33
Complete grader inspection & repairs Alexander's Body Shop, rep. snowplow & tailgate Ross Express B-B Chain Co., grader cross chains, locks & pr. of adjusters	1,095.40		25.00 17.33
Complete grader inspection & repairs Alexander's Body Shop, rep. snowplow & tailgate Ross Express B-B Chain Co., grader cross chains, locks & pr. of adjusters Sears Roebuck & Co., grinder & compressor	1,095.40		25.00 17.33 139.95 368.00
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William Presby, 2 hrs. backhoe, culvert-Presby's Town of Franconia, 2 truck tires Stuart P. McKenzie, use of sawmill Johnson's Texaco, parts, insp., adj. brakes, rep. spring MacKenzie Auto Parts, paint for town truck & V-belt Littleton Mini Motors Maurice Nihan, chain saw parts & labor N. H. Explosives, dynamite & charge Cray Oil Co. Tetreault Salvage McLarens Inc. N. C. McCullock, 558 gals. fuel Reed Supply Co. Inc., hemp cable St. Johnsbury Trucking Chemical Corp., sait	36.00 150.08 30.87 100.37 21.39 14.40 39.00 33.00 119.50 18.00 55.14 203.55 17.43 19.22 148.07
	\$ 7,147.54
LIBRARY	
Richardson Memorial Library, appropriation	\$ 2,250.00
OLD AGE ASSISTANCE	
N.H. State Treasurer	\$ 447.19
MEMORIAL DAY	
Lorraine Hunt, flags	\$ 23.52
RECREATION	
Town of Franconia, playground	\$ 600.00
CEMETERIES	
Sunnyside Cemetery Association, appropriation Herbert Hunt, Care of Streeter Pond Cemetery	\$ 1,000.00 150.00
	\$ 1,150.00
PLANNING & ZONING	
North Country Council, appropriation Moulton, Smith & Samaha	\$ 532.00 15.00

Town of Franconia, soil testing Treasurer State of N.H., map prints Margaret Connors, Planning Board Sec. \$ 40.00	)	333.70 11.88
Supplies 14.00		54.00
	\$	946.58
DISCOUNTS, ABATEMENTS, REFUNDS		
Barbara Johnson Robert Loiselle, yield tax refund Jeffrey Spencer, resident tax refund Patricia Spidell, resident tax refund Robert Condon, refund overpayment taxes Roy Plant, yield tax refund Gary G. Young, refund	\$	92.28 108.00 10.00 10.00 89.10 73.40 14.70
	\$	397.48
CONSERVATION COMMISSION		
Robert Finn, sign at Coffin Pond	\$	45.00
DAMAGES & LEGAL EXPENSES		
Robert Bowker	\$	157.10
ADVERTISING & REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS		
White Mts. Regional Assoc., appropriation Town of Franconia, information booth	\$	824.78 1,624.85
	\$	2,449.63
RETIREMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY		
N.H. State Treasurer, soc. sec., Town Share N.H. Retirement System, police, Town Share	\$	1,189.17 679.61
	\$	1,868.78
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT		
Littleton National Bank Peoples National Bank	\$	89,000.00 96,250.00
	\$1	.85,250.00

### INTEREST

INTEREST	
Littleton National Bank	\$ 2,112.74
TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN	
Edith Aldrich, Tax Collector	\$ 101.74
TOWN MAP	
Douglas A. Grella Associates	\$ 2,500.00
LANDS, BUILDINGS, NEW EQUIPMENT	
Littleton National Bank, tank & gas Bi-Rite, typewriter H.O. Taylor Chev., 1975 Chevrolet town truck Roger Aldrich, piano lamp R.C. Hazelton Co. Inc., plow frame & spreader Montgomery Ward, calculator Heritage Lanterns, outside light fixture	\$ 1,668.10 192.30 11,200.00 29.00 1,643.00 180.42 131.10
TEMPORARY LOANS	\$ 15,043.92
Littleton National Bank	\$ 85,000.00
STATE & COUNTY	
N.H. State Treasurer Willard Bromage, Treasurer, County tax	\$ 213.97 23,506.57 \$ 23,720.54
TOWN OF LISBON	φ 23, 120.04
TOWN OF LIBBON	
Town of Lisbon, bridge payment & interest	\$ 2,336.81
NEW FIRE STATION	
Trapper Brown Corp. Palmer & Dodge, Firehouse bond Sugar Hill Improvement Assoc., land	\$ 57,400.00 450.00 5,000.00

Wright Communications	174.90
Stuart Carbonneau, gravel	320.80
Fred Hunt	7,626.64
Tetreault Salvage Corp., culvert	94.30
ZEB Manuf. Co., mop, seal & applicator	64.55
J.C. Plumbing & Heating	938.43
Morris	74.41
Mainco Supply, 1 table, 30 chairs, bulletin brd., chalk brd	615.22
\$	72,759.25

### SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Lafayette Regional School District	119,149.62
Profile School District	10,322.53
	\$120 <i>4</i> 72 15

### U. S. GOVERNMENT REVENUE SHARING

### RECEIPTS

Balance January 1, 1975, Revenue Sharing	\$ 267.96
Dates Received:	
January 6, 1975 for 1974	1,638.00
Interest on Bank Certificate to 4/7/75	22.61
April 6, 1975 for 1975 July 7, 1975 for 1975 October 6, 1975 for 1975	1,638.00 1,639.00 1,493.00 4,770.00
	\$6,698.56
PAYMENTS	

Highway Department (Highway Truck) \$6,000.00 \$6,000.00

Appropriations at Town Meeting:

Highway Department \$6,000.00

Balance in Revenue Sharing Account \$ 698.57

### CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

(For acquiring or replacing equipment)

Cash on hand January 1, 1975

\$25,062.59

RECEIPTS

Interest on Trust Fund

1,404.71

Total

\$26,467.30

**PAYMENTS** 

Purchase of New Truck

\$3,250.00

Interest Paid

56.87

Total

3,306.87

Cash on hand December 31, 1975

\$23,160.43

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUND

Benton L. Moyer Jr. Raymond C. Dickinson James R. Branch

Selectmen's breakdown of Capital Reserve Fund:

Fire Department		\$10,190.59	44%
Highway Department		9,495.78	41%
Police Department	`	3,474.06	<u>15%</u>
		\$23, 160, 43	100%

### SCHEDULE OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS

As of December 31, 1975

Bonds Outstanding:

Fire Station Bonds General Purpose \$ 71,250.00

Total Long Term Indebtedness-December 31, 1975 \$ 71,250.00

### CAROLINA CRAPO FUND

All dividends received from Investment Income and Capital Gains during 1975 were used to purchase more shares in the two funds.

The present valuation is as follows:

2452.472 shares - Bid 8.34 Eaton & Howard	\$20,453.62
1964.401 shares - Bid 15.25 Fidelity	29,957.12
Littleton Savings Bank	648.30

Total \$51,059.04

February 6, 1976

Respectfully submitted,

CAROLINA CRAPO FUND TRUSTEES Harold W. Smith (1976) Donald Jesseman (1978) Mitchell C. Vincent (1980)

### RECONCILIATION OF OUTSTANDING LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS

Outstanding Long Term Debt-December 31, 1974 \$

New Debt Created During Fiscal Year:

Bonds Issued 71,250.00

Outstanding Long Term Debt-December 31, 1975 \$ 71,250.00

### RICHARDSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Balance, January 1, 1975	\$ 150.42
RECEIPTS	
From Town       \$2,250.00         Memorials       905.00         Other Gifts       115.00         Sale of Old Books       10.10         Fines (an accumulation)       29.06	
Total Receipts	3,309.16
Total Money Available	\$3,459.58
EXPENDITURES	
Librarian's Salary Assistant Librarians New Books, Magazines Maintenance Ada Zuk, cleaning William Presby, plowing parking lot Explored Comparison of the co	\$ 645.78 157.00 629.12
Clark Goudie, gas Clark Goudie, parts, service to Destroilet Cray Oil, oil Public Service, electricity 106.80 Miscellaneous Librarian Supplies, box rent, stamps, etc. \$ 62.29 Window Boxes Social Security, Librarian 37.81	1,702.19
Total Expenses	\$3,246.19
Balance, January 1, 1976	\$ 213.39

### STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 1975

Adult Fiction loaned Adult Non-Fiction loaned Children's Fiction loaned Children's Non-Fiction loaned Magazines loaned Recordings loaned			1,249 504 840 215 152 86
	Grand Total		3,046
Total Attendance			1,448
	Adult	Juvenile	Total
No. volumes beginning of year No. volumes added	4,021 101	688 <u>37</u>	4,709 138
Total Discards	4,122	725 0	4,847
Total at end of year	4,064	725	4,789
Recordings owned	154	36	190
Magazines received	6	0	6

### Books borrowed from the Bookmobile:

Fiction	Non Fiction	Juvenile	Recordings
681	683	1,662	2
	borrowed nobile visits	3,028 4	



### LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

In preparation for the Bicentennial year the library was painted and papered and new covers for the window seat cushions were provided. The Willing Workers then had a "work-bee" to clean and polish so the library has a new, shining aspect. We are grateful to the Willing Workers for their help.

During the year, in spite of the energy crisis, attendance and the circulation of books, both adult and juvenile, increased. However, the library would like more children to take advantage of what it has to offer. We have a fine children's corner which the children within walking distance seem to enjoy, but those who depend on parents for transportation rarely get to the library. The library continues to deliver books to Crapo Memorial School in the winter and the children visit once a week in the spring when the weather improves.

There was an exhibit of cook books during the year, and at the holiday season there was a display of Christmas books. The library has a wide assortment of books on handicrafts which have interested many patrons.

As mentioned in a previous report, consideration should be given to obtaining an oral history of the town while some of the "old-timers" are still around to give us the benefit of their knowledge. Perhaps some interested person with a tape recorder would like to start such a project.

Weeding of books, with the help of Miss Cynthia Miller, State Library consultant, will continue in order to provide more room for new books as well as helping to bring the collection up-to-date.

Because the cost of books has risen considerably it is a great help to have the loan of books from the Bookmobile. Reference books on special subjects may be requested of the librarian who will obtain them from the State Library in Concord. Large print books for those with poor eyesight are also available from the State Library. Films may be borrowed for the use of service organizations. Shut-ins may have books delivered to the home by the librarian.

Donations of books and money by friends of the library have been greatly appreciated. The librarian values the support of the Trustees and their interest in furthering the goals of the library. Ideas are welcome for improvement of library services to the community.

Respectfully submitted, Marion L. Sullivan Librarian

### REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

From the Police Department's point of view, 1975 has been a good year. The Accident Rate has remained very low, as in the past. There were five reportable accidents within the Township of Sugar Hill during 1975.

The Crime Rate has also remained stable, with some minor crimes still under investigation. During 1975 the Chief completed a course on Alcohol and Traffic Safety, offered by the University of New Hampshire, with the hope of developing a better understanding of the ever-increasing problem of alcohol users on our highways. The Chief also attended an Instructor's School on Firearms and has been certified as a Police Firearms Instructor with the Grafton County Sheriff's Department.

We were able to purchase a portable radio with the assistance of the Governor's Commission on Crime and Delinquency.

As you read through the list of expenditures in your Town Report, you will notice an overdraft in the Police Department Budget. However, if you read further under "reimbursements to the Town", it will show income of \$1,324.00 from the Crime Commission as their share of the cost of the portable radio. This leaves us with an unexpended amount of \$606.11 in our 1975 Budget.

Although the normal replacement of a police car is two years, we are going to keep the cruiser at least one more year and perhaps even two, depending upon the condition of the cruiser at next year's Town Meeting. With the cost of new cruisers going up so much, we feel it is cheaper to repair rather than replace.

With the benefits of some fine equipment to work with, we hope to make it safer for our citizens in their home as well as on the highways.

Respectfully,

Gary G. Young, Chief of Police Sugar Hill, New Hampshire



### REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN & DISTRICT CHIEF

Upon the recommendation of town selectmen and city councils, the Division of Forests and Lands appoints a forest fire warden and several deputy forest fire wardens in each town and city every three years. The town or city warden is responsible for maintaining a force of men and adequate equipment to suppress any wildfire that occurs in his town or city during his term of appointment. The fire warden must authorize all open burning when the ground is not covered with snow. No open fires can be authorized between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., unless it is raining, without the additional permission of the state district fire chief.

Any person wishing to kindle an open fire when the ground is not covered with snow must first obtain the written permission of the forest fire warden. Camp and cooking fires also require the warden's permission.

The Division of Forests and Lands, through its Forest Fire Service, assists all cities and towns in meeting these requirements by training the warden and deputy forces in wildfire suppression tactics, making hand tool suppression equipment available at fifty percent of cost, supplying pieces of Federal excess property for use as fire attack vehicles and sharing up to fifty percent of the cost of wildfire suppression costs.

Wildfire prevention is also a joint state, city or town program. Smokey Bear is available from the Forest Fire Service for local fire prevention programs. Posters and Junior Ranger kits are available for distribution by local fire departments upon request to the Forest Fire Service. Each forest fire warden is expected to carry on a continuous wildfire prevention program within his town or city.

### 1975 FOREST FIRE STATISTICS

State -718 fires - 800 acres burned District -26 fires - 16 1/2 acres burned Town -1 fire - 1/2 acres burned

56 Fire Permits were issued.

FOREST FIRE WARDEN Ralph L. Whipple Sugar Hill, N. H. DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF John Q. Ricard Canaan, N. H.



### REPORT FROM THE SUGAR HILL VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Although there were few fire calls in Sugar Hill during 1975, the year still proved to be a very busy one for the Sugar Hill Volunteer Fire Department.

The new fire station, which was approved at the 1974 Town Meeting, was completed in November of 1975 and a successful open house was held at which there was an excellent attendance of not only Sugar Hill townspeople but many interested area residents. The new fire station has sparked a renewed interest in the department by the members and these last few months have been very productive ones for the department. The additional room provided in the station makes it possible for easy access to the vehicles for repairs and servicing and of course for a very fast and safe exit for the trucks during a fire call. The meeting room makes for a most pleasant atmosphere for the regular department meetings and the many individual committee meetings that are now taking place. Plans for landscaping the grounds are one of the many subjects being discussed.

For your added protection, during the winter months, there will be one department member on duty at the station during the night hours. In case of a fire call, the person on duty can alert department members quickly and have the trucks ready to go as the other members arrive to answer the call. We feel this will be most beneficial during the cold and hard to travel winter season.

The Sugar Hill Fire Department belongs to the Twin State Mutual Aid Association, the purpose of which is that Sugar Hill, in case of need, can call on any area town belonging to the association to help with a fire call with men and equipment at no cost to the town. We feel that this is certainly an asset for the department and town fire protection. There are monthly meetings of the association and Sugar Hill is always represented.

The Fire Department has purchased a used van which will be used as an equipment vehicle and members of the department are putting in long hours not only discussing future uses of the van but making the many renovations necessary to ready the vehicle for use.

There are many ideas on the drawing board to provide Sugar Hill with better fire protection and the department hopes for the continued support and encouragement from the residents of Sugar Hill.

Donald Boissonneault, Chief

# SUGAR HILL FIRE DEPARTMENT — NIGHT DUTY ROSTER DUTIES

YOU WILL BRING YOUR OWN SHEETS, BLANKETS, PILLOW, TOWEL, ETC. FOR EACH TOUR.

### **Administrative Duties:**

- 1. Tour of duty shall cover at least from 11:00 PM of the night you are scheduled, until 6:00 AM of the next morning.
- 2. Sign in on the duty log with time entry. All telephone and radio traffic will be entered in the log with times of receipt, type of message, subject if pertinent to fire department.
- 3. Telephone and remind duty man for the next night.
- 4. Thermostat settings in the bays should be at 50, check this.
- 5. Area should be kept neat all dishes washed, put away, floors swept at the end of every tour, mopped in general cleanup every Wednesday night.
- 6. All lights turned off before leaving.
- 7. If for any reason you cannot follow the roster assignment or have to leave before your tour is completed, it is your responsibility to get a replacement from among Sugar Hill Fire Department personnel under whatever arrangement is mutually acceptable.

### Operational Standard Order of Procedure (SOP):

- 1. Each vehicle will be started and run briefly at the beginning of each tour. Run exhaust fan during this time and for five minutes after completion.
- 2. Make certain all vehicle radios are "off".
- 3. Upon receiving a call for assistance, write down all of the answers to: Who? What? Where? When? Make certain of the exact location of the fire. Who is calling? What is the telephone number there? Is the fire at that house? Is there a life hazard at all possible? What type of fire: house, barn, garage, automotive? What type of material is burning? Is there gasoline, propane gas, fuel oil or other volatile material in the immediate area of the fire?
- 4. The encoder will be activated firemen will be alerted. Depress encoder button manually you will hear a tone alert: Have your message written out already. When the tone ends the transmit cycle is open and you should read your message: "All Sugar Hill Firemen, fire at . . . . . . . , Report to the station or . . . . . . . . . . . Your message should not exceed 45 seconds. If you have more to say or a correction to make, repeat the above procedure and repeat the necessary information.

- 5. If the red phone has been answered at another location, the person receiving it should call you immediately on the black phone to insure correct information is logged and in your hands.
- 6. As these tasks are accomplished, OPEN the appropriate bay door(s) and start the engine of corresponding vehicle(s).
- 7. You will remain in the fire station at dispatch until relieved by an officer and replacement dispatcher. Share necessary information with him.
- 8. All officers will report to the fire station unless certain that apparatus is already rolling to the scene.
- 9. When vehicle(s) clears the station a radio check with base will be made "Unit.... is 10-1 on the way to the fire." Base will acknowledge "1-5, Unit...." and make log entry.
- 10. Dispatcher will not request Mutual Aid Assistance unless so ordered by a person in position to determine needs.
- 11. In all cases when the tone is given, notify Franconia Fire Department 823-8821 that "Sugar Hill is responding to a fire at . . . . . . , please stand by for further requests."
- 12. The base station will be manned by the dispatcher throughout the emergency and until relieved by an officer for the purpose of relaying requests for assistance.



The Echoes, from a 1913 Post Card. On the upper side of the road at Iris Farm. (Cooley)

### SUGAR HILL FIRE DEPARTMENT

### 1976 Budget Request

Forestry (Ralph L. Whipple, V Heating oil, gasoline, telephor	\$ 250.00 1,700.00	
Training, association dues (NI	HFA, TSMAFA, NFPA)	550.00
Water sources		600.00
Miscellaneous and transportat	ion	50.00
Communications repairs		150.00
Building and equipment mainte	800.00	
Salaries		2,000.00
New Equipment		
Scott or MSA Air Pack	\$650.00	
Porta Tank (water relay)	400.00	
Hose replacement	250.00	
Hose tower	250.00	
Radio for van	450.00	
Miscellaneous	400.00	2,400.00
		\$8,500.00

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Donald Boissonneault January 1, 1976



Lovers Lane in 1885 by Nickerson. (Cooley)

### 1975 Fire Department Payroll

Harry Reid, Chief	\$ 300.00
Roger Aldrich	29.00
Albert Aldrich	46.50
Virgil Voffin	13.00
Durand Cooley	12.50
David Hartford	12.50
Francis Kidder	29.00
Gordon MacEwan	2.50
David McPhaul	8.50
W. Andrew Norton	36.50
Donald Jesseman	14.50
Donald Boissonneault	23.00
Bradford Whipple	31.50
Robert Hayward Jr.	27.50
James Stewart	20.50
Harold Aldrich	14.00
Michael Cyrs	38.00
Edgar deSantos	16.00
Herbert Hunt	16.00
Raymond Jerome	6.50
John Kocik	16.00
Bradley Presby	38.00
Peter Robertson	16.00
Harry Robertson	16.00
Ralph Whipple	25.00
Robert Wutzdorff	12.00
Eric Zuk	 16.50
	\$ 837.00



### SUNNYSIDE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

### 1975 Annual Statement

Balance on Hand, December 21, 1974		\$ 406.14
RECEIPTS		
Town Appropriation Trust Funds - Lisbon Perpetual Care Sale of Lots Lot Care Interest - Checking Account	\$1,000.00 76.56 150.00 150.00 314.00 22.56	
Total Re	eceipts	1,663.12
Total Cash Available		\$2,069.26
EXPENDITURES	5	
Labor (Does not include S.S. payments) Transfer to Perpetual Care Fund Truck Hire Loam Repairs Postage Gas & Oil Serafini Fund Flowers - A. Anker Box Rent New Mower Supplies - Paint, fertilizer, seed	\$1,063.00 300.00 30.00 140.00 19.70 4.00 15.55 25.00 6.00 99.66 114.70	
Total Ex	kpenditures	1,822.61
Cash on Hand, December 31, 1975		\$ 246.65

The Sunnyside Cemetery Association is most grateful to Mrs. Annie Anker who willed the Association \$15,844.40 to be used in any way.

The sum of \$12,000.00 has been invested at Peoples National Bank in a six-year Certificate of Deposit with interest at 7-1/2%. The balance of the bequest is in a N.O.W. account, statement as follows:

Deposited Interest 1975		\$3,844.40 44.96
Ermonditunos	Total	\$3,889.36
Expenditures Water Line to	Cemetery	613.60
Balance, December 31,	1975	\$3,275.76

### Statement of Perpetual Care Funds

The sum of \$12,000.00 is invested in a six-year Investment Certificate of the Lafayette National Bank at 7-1/2% interest. The balance of \$1,016.99 remains in a Special Savings Account.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Jesseman Treasurer

### LOUISE LEAZOTT TRUST

(For Perpetual Care of Cemetery Lot)		
Cash on hand January 1, 1975		536.06
RECEIPTS		
Interest on Trust Fund		32. 17
PAYMENTS		
None made		,
Cash on hand December 31, 1975	\$	568.23

### TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUND

Benton L. Moyer Jr. Raymond C. Dickinson James R. Branch

### SUGAR HILL CONSERVATION COMMISSION 1975 - 76 REPORT

With the help of the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, the water level of Coffin Pond was raised and maintained. Thanks to interested citizens the shore front was cleared of underbrush. A new sign and refuse bins were placed and several trees will be planted in the Spring.

It was decided not to cut trees or bushes on the islands as they afford much-needed shade for the fish in summer.

This spring we shall start cutting and replacing dead trees on Route 117 going through town.

Respectfully submitted,

Conservation Commission
Margaret Peckett
Philip Robertson
Aubrey Reid
Sandra Coffin
Otto Smith-Johannsen
Barbara Hayward
Edna Glaessel



Boys plowing the sidewalk in Sugar Hill in 1920. (Dorothy Aldrich)

# Town of Sugar Hill, N. H. TOWN REPORT FROM THE NORTH COUNTRY COUNCIL

Assistance with the preparation of the town's recently adopted subdivision regulations, assistance in preparing the town's flood insurance application, and information on solid waste are the services North Country Council provided to the town in 1975. NCC staff attended four (4) evening meetings with the Town's planning board.

On the regional level, the North Country Council prepared a public transportation plan and is working toward the implementation of its recommendations. The Council became the economic development district for northern New Hampshire on July, 1975, and is currently carrying out this function. Several region-wide meetings on Water Supply and Pollution Control Commission regulations, economic development, seminars for planning board members, and recycling of newsprint were sponsored. A recently completed report entitled "The Regulation of Mobile Homes in the Community", prepared by the Council, provides technical information to planning board members and local officials in the area of mobile homes.

In 1975, the Council increased its base of local support from 19 to 29 towns. The Council coordinates its activities with other agencies in order to avoid any possible duplication of effort.

Planning News, the Council's bi-monthly newsletter, disseminates useful information on land use, state legislation, court decisions, and general activities to interested persons in town. A town resident can be placed on the mailing list by contacting the town's NCC representative or the Council office in Franconia, N. H. (Tel. 823-8108)

In performing its duties, the Council attends approximately 200 night meetings a year.

For the future, continued activity in community planning assistance will be emphasized along with major regional efforts in economic development, land use, and housing. Dissemination of planning information will be continued. The Council is working closely with the N. H. Public Utilities Commission in the improvement and upgrading of the North Country's rail lines, especially the Lincoln line and the North Stratford to Beecher Falls line.

The Council sincerely appreciates and thanks the town for its support and participation. This support has enabled the Council to provide a good deal of local and regional services.

Respectfully submitted,

Philip Robertson Bradford Whipple NCC Representatives



# MARRIAGES - 1975

Name, Residence and Official Station of Person By Whom Married

> Names of Parents

Residence of Each

Name and Surname of Groom and Bride

Date and Place of Marriage

Rev. William Briggs Clergyman Franconia, N. H.	Rev. William Briggs Minister Franconia, N. H.	George E. Foss III Justice of the Peace Lisbon, N.H.	Edward C. Jager Amer. Bapt. Convention Whitefield, N.H.	Van S. Merle-Smith Jr. Minister Keene Valley, N.Y.	
Merton Harry Shores Edna Alma Austin Norman Linwood Grant Louise Avis Palmer	Leopold Henault Dorothy Marie Hugron Roger Homer Aldrich Nancy Monroe Dexter	Phillip Sanford Jones Helen Campbell Bertram H. Dube' Priscilla Ann Parsons	Edwin Harrison MacEwan Dorothy Evelyn Berg Frederick Linscott Smith Betty Jean Black	Normand Fedor Smith Nancy Lening Carl-Eric Flander Margareta Rosendale	
Sugar Hill, N.H. Auburn, Maine	Claremont, N.H. Sugar Hill, N.H.	St. Johnsbury, Vt. St. Johnsbury, Vt.	Sugar Hill, N.H. Whitefield, N.H.	Sausalito, Calif. Dobbs Ferry, N.Y.	
Michael Elwood Shores Pamela Jean Grant	Jeffrey Leo Henault Deborah Alice Aldrich	Phillip Sanford Jones Jr. Nancy Dube	Gordon Bradford MacEwan Suzanne Lynn Smith	Peter Thorne Smith Pia Ingrid Flander	
May 17, 1975 Mt. Garfield	June 14, 1975 Sugar Hill, N. H.	July 12, 1975 Sugar Hill, N. H.	July 19, 1975 Whitefield, N.H.	August 23, 1975 Sugar Hill, N.H.	

Paul Gruber	Carleton Schaller, Jr.	Virgil Coffin	Rev. Maurice J. Rochefort
Justice of the Peace	Clergyman	Clergyman	Roman Catholic Priest
Bethlehem, N.H.	Littleton, N.H.	Sugar Hill, N.H.	Littleton, N.H.
Hugh Francis Vaughan	Thomas Beveridge Dingman	George Clinton Putnam	David Alan Hinerth
Anne Pezzeni	Alice Parsons White	Deborah Knox	Cecile Thresea Girouard
Nathan Jean Emory	Benton Leslie Moyer Jr.	Roger Eusebie Morin	John Michael Hess
Miriam Henderson	Beryl Hatt	Therese Marie-Yvonne Michaud	Ellen Louise Rust
Sugar Hill, N.H.	Winchester, Mass.	Southington, Conn.	Littleton, N.H.
Sugar Hill, N.H.	Sugar Hill, N.H.	Southington, Conn.	Sugar Hill, N.H.
Hugh Austin Vaughan	Thomas Alva Dingman	Stephen Mark Putnam	Alan David Hinerth
Susan Emory	Nancy Ruth Moyer	Joline Ann Morin	Pamela Yvette Hess
August 24, 1975	September 20, 1975	October 11, 1975	October 25, 1975
Sugar Hill, N. H.	Sugar Hill, N. H.	Sugar Hill, N.H.	Littleton, N.H.



# **DEATHS** - 1975

Name of Mother

Name of Father

Occupation

Sex

Place of Birth

Age

Name of Deceased

Date and Place of Death

NSSO

	Elizabeth M. Willis	Lena McQuigg	Sarah VanSise
Pasquale Serafini	Harry William Pettingill Hardy Elizabeth M. Willis	Philo J. Lockwood	Charles Y. Wheeler
N.H. M Writer/Editor-Ret. Pasquale Serafini	Mass. M M Bartender	W Housewife	W Housewife
M	M	A	M
M	M	F4	124
N.H.	Mass.	D.C.	Penn.
99	69	81	91
Enzo Serafini	Willis G. Hardy	Helen Lockwood Smith 81 D.C.	Marjorie A.W. Brown 91 Penn.
March 18, 1975 Woodsville, N.H.	April 29, 1975 Littleton, N.H.	October 8, 1975 Franconia, N.H.	November 9, 1975 Sugar Hill, N. H.

