

Shelburne, N. H.

*Annual Reports
of the
Municipal Officers*

1955

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

OFFICERS

OF THE

Town of Shelburne, N. H.

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DEC. 31 .

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TOWN OFFICERS, 1955-56

Selectmen

ROLAND HAYES Sr. CUVIER B. EVANS

VICTOR KIDDER

Treasurer

CHESTER HAYES

Tax Collector

JOS. P. TANNER

Town Clerk

LAWRENCE E. PHILBROOK

Auditors

JAMES PEARSON

WILLIAM WHITE

Trustees of Trust Fund

JAMES PEARSON

CUVIER B. EVANS

RALPH I. PEABODY

Library Trustees

ELIZABETH GOODRICH

MARIE WHEELER

JOHN JORDAN

Road Commissioner

GORDON T. EVANS

Memorial Forest Committee

RALPH PEABODY

LAWRENCE E. PHILBROOK

Surveyors of Wood Bark and Lumber

Sealers of Weights and Measures

Fence Viewers

THE SELECTMEN SERVE

Roadside Improvement Committee

VICTOR KIDDER

WINIFRED McLAUGHLIN

AVIS MOUNTAIN

BARKLEY GOODRICH

FRANK GREENIER

Supervisors of the Check List

AVIS MOUNTAIN

FLORA BARNES

WILLIAM WHITE

Moderator

RALPH I. PEABODY

Constable

CHESTER HAYES

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

(L.S.) To the Inhabitants of the Town of Shelburne, in the County of Coos, in said State, qualified to vote on town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Shelburne on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March next, Polls open 9 A. M., close 2 P. M., to act on the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.
2. To see if the town will vote to choose a delegate to the State Constitutional Convention.
3. To hear the reports of town officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
4. To hear the report of the budget committee and act thereon.
5. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the year ensuing and make appropriation of the same.
6. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of town highways and bridges.
7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for police.
8. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for fire protection.
9. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for fire trails and fire roads.
10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for insurance.
11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the library.

12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for public welfare.

13. To see if the town will vote to observe Old Home Week during 1956 and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefore.

14. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the general care and upkeep of the Town Memorial Forest.

15. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of cemeteries.

16. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the town's share of co-operative participation in the White Mountains Region Association.

17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the Roadside Improvement Committee for the care, improvement and upkeep of the town's roadsides.

18. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the control of blister rust.

19. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for Civil Defense.

20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Road Aid, the sum of \$3,450.00.

21. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for interest on notes.

22. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for new Equipment for the Town Garage.

23. To see if the town will vote to plow all driveways of Citizens over 70 years of age, free of charge.

24. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to administer or dispose of any real estate acquired by the town through tax collector's deeds.

25. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to distribute the inventory blanks when taking valuation.

26. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

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

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-seventh day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-six.

ROLAND F. HAYES

C. B. EVANS

VICTOR L. KIDDER

Selectmen of Shelburne

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Lands and Buildings (Exclusive of Growing Wood and Timber)	\$320,126 00
Electric Plants (Land, rights of way, dams, flowage, buildings, machinery, dynamos, apparatus, poles, wires and fixtures used in generating or distributing electric current)	311,500 00
Petroleum Lines (including buildings and machinery)	288,061 00
Horses—5	450 00
Cows—66	6,600 00
Neat stock—7	575 00
Sheep—5	50 00
Portable Mills	4,500 00
Wood and Lumber	1,560 00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	925 00
Stock in Trade	3,525 00
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Total Gross Valuation	\$937,872 00
Less Soldiers Exemptions	. 16,300 00
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Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is Computed	\$921,572 00
Number of Veterans exempted from poll tax	24
Number of Veterans who receive property exemption	18
Amount of Property valuation exempted to Veterans	\$16,300

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF SHELBURNE, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956. Compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955.

Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue 1955	Actual Revenue 1955	Estimated Revenue 1956
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$350.00	\$404.62	\$350.00
Railroad Tax	50.00	57.57	50.00
Savings Bank Tax	50.00	53.07	50.00
Bounties		45.50	
Reimbursement % State and Federal forest lands	300.00	624.85	300.00
Reimbursement % Exemption of Growing Wood and Tim- ber	1,500.00	1,455.41	1,500.00
For Fighting Forest Fires Refund		18.16	
National Forest Reserve	500.00	508.13	500.00
T.R.A. 1955 Apportionment		399.05	398.97
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	50.00	6.00	50.00
Business Licenses, Permits, and Filing Fees		8.00	10.00
Income of Departments:			
(a) Highway, including rental of equipment		107.63	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,000.00	1,499.36	1,200.00
Sale of Town Property			
Cemetery Lots		100.00	
**Cash Surplus		2,107.36	

From Local Sources Other Than
Property Taxes:

(a) Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2	175.00	162.00	175.00
(b) National Bank Stock Tax	15.00		
Other	60.00		

Total Revenues from All Sources Except Prop- erty Taxes	\$4,050.00	7,546.71	\$4,583.97
Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes	\$10,225.00		33,598.82
Total Revenues			\$38,182.79

Purposes of Expenditures	Appro- priations 1955	Actual Ex- penditures 1955	Est. Ex- penditures 1956
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,055.00	\$1,167.52	\$1,200.00
Town Officers' Expenses	400.00	460.64	516.00
Election and Registration Expenses	40.00	42.00	159.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	50.00	83.00	75.00
Fire Department	500.00	159.39	500.00
Blister Rust and Care of Trees			200.00
Insurance	350.00	328.89	400.00
Civil Defense (First Aid Equip.)			50.00
Fire Trails	300.00	301.37	250.00
Fire roads			25.00
Town Maintenance			
Summer	4,500.00	1,221.65	1,000.00
Winter		1,781.77	2,500.00
General Expenses of Highway Dept.		797.00	600.00
Town Aid Road			3,450.00
Libraries:	100.00	52.80	75.00

Public Welfare:			
Old Age Assistance	300.00	327.00	350.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Old Home Day	100.00	38.00	100.00
Recreation:			
Town Forest	150.00	44.90	150.00
Public Service Enterprise:			
Cemeteries	500.00	564.00	500.00
Roadside Improvement	100.00	33.00	100.00
Unclassified:			
Damages and Legal Expenses		985.51	
Advertising and Regional Associations	80.00	80.00	100.00
Interest:			
On Long Term Notes		216.67	200.00
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:			
Highways and Bridges:			
Railroad Crossing Signals	1,500.00	1,329.72	
New Equipment—Air Compressor, etc.			400.00
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
Long Term Notes—Truck and Plow	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:			
County Taxes	3,234.30	3,234.30	4,000.00
School Taxes	13,851.11	17,000.00	18,282.79
Refund to School Treasurer's Account		313.67	
Total Expenditures	\$30,110.41	\$33,563.16	\$38,182.79

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED

Appropriations:

Town Charges	\$1,495 00	
Police Dept.	50 00	
Fire Dept.	500 00	
Fire Trails	300 00	
Town Maintenance Highways	4,500 00	
Crossing Signals	1,500 00	
Insurance	350 00	
New Equipment	3,000 00	
Libraries	100 00	
Old Age Assistance	300 00	
Old Home Day	100 00	
Town Memorial Forest	150 00	
Cemeteries	500 00	
Roadside Improvement	100 00	
Regional Assn.	80 00	
County Tax	3,234 30	
School Tax	13,851 11	
Total Town and School Appropriations		\$30,110 41
Plus Overlay		395 00
		\$30,505 41

Estimated Revenues and Credits:

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$404 62
Railroad Tax	50 00
Savings Bank Tax	50 00
Reimbursement % State and Federal Lands	450 00
Reimbursement % Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber	1,878 77
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,200 00
Dog Licenses	44 00

National Forest Reserve	450 00
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Total Revenues and Credits	\$4,527 39
	25,583 02
Plus Overlay	395 00
Net Amount to be raised by Taxation	\$25,978 02
Less Poll Taxes	174 00
Amount to be raised by property taxes on which Tax Rate is Figured	\$25,804 02
Average Rate of Taxation per \$100 of Valuation, \$2.80.	

CERTIFICATE

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

February 20, 1956

ROLAND HAYES
CUVIER B. EVANS
VICTOR KIDDER

Selectmen of Shelburne

CHESTER HAYES

Treasurer

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES—1955

Title of Appropriation	Amount of Appropriation	Receipts	Total Amount		Unexpended	
			Available	Expenditures	Balance	Overdraft
Town Charges	\$1,495.00	....	....	\$1,670.16	....	\$175.16
Police	50.00	....	....	83.00	....	33.00
Fire Trails	300.00	....	....	301.37	....	1.37
Fire Dept.	500.00	....	....	159.39	\$340.61	....
Insurance	350.00	....	....	328.89	21.11	....
Highways and Bridges	4,500.00	....	....	3,800.42	699.58	....
Libraries	100.00	\$917.36*	\$1,017.36	52.80	964.56	....
Public Welfare	300.00	....	....	327.00	....	27.00
Town Memorial Forest	150.00	....	....	44.90	105.10	....
Cemeteries	500.00	....	....	564.36	....	64.36
Roadside Improvement	100.00	....	....	33.00	67.00	....
Old Home Day	100.00	....	....	38.00	62.00	....
Schools	13,851.11	....	....	11,000.00	....	....
Truck and Plow	3,000.00	....	....	3,000.00	....	....
Crossing Signals	1,500.00	....	....	1,329.72	170.28	....
Regional Assn.	80.00	....	....	80.00	....	....
County Tax	3,234.30	....	....	3,234.30	....	....
					\$2,387.97	\$300.89

*—Unexpended balance in 1954 acct.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

Total Auto Permit Fees collected	\$1,499 36
Total Dog Tax collected	6 00
Total Filing Fees collected	7 00

Total Collections

\$1,512 36

Feb. 1	Paid to Treasurer	\$41 46
Mar. 1	Paid to Treasurer	201 56
	Paid to Treasurer	7 00
Mar. 8	Paid to Treasurer	105 26
Mar. 9	Paid to Treasurer	118 95
Mar. 28	Paid to Treasurer	540 62
Apr. 2	Paid to Treasurer	48 97
May 30	Paid to Treasurer	76 78
June 30	Paid to Treasurer	146 71
Aug. 15	Paid to Treasurer	111 34
Nov. 10	Paid to Treasurer	81 68
Dec. 31	Paid to Treasurer	32 03

Total Payments to Treasurer

\$1,512 36

Respectfully submitted,

L. E. PHILBROOK, Town Clerk

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

1955 Warrant		
Property taxes	\$25,804 02	
87 Poll taxes	174 00	
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	\$25,978 02	
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Property taxes collected	\$23,966 56	
65 Poll taxes collected	130 00	
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Paid to Treasurer		\$24,096 56
Uncollected property tax	1,837 46	
Uncollected poll taxes	42 00	
Abated poll tax (1)	2 00	
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	\$25,978 02	
1955 Head Tax		
110 Head taxes	\$550 00	
1 Added Head tax	5 00	
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	\$555 00	
88 Head taxes collected	440 00	
Penalty collected		\$1 00
Paid to Treasurer		441 00
Uncollected Head taxes (23)	115 00	
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	\$441 00	
1954 Timber Tax		
Tax Collected	\$155 03	
Uncollected tax	77 04	
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Paid to Treasurer		\$155 03

1954 Warrant

Property tax collected	\$1,535 13	
16 Poll taxes collected	32 00	
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Paid to Treasurer		\$1,567 13
Uncollected property tax	21 25	
17 Head taxes collected	85 00	
Penalty collected		7 00
Paid to Treasurer		85 00

1953 Warrant

Property tax collected	\$145 20	
Uncollected Property tax	14 52	
Timber Tax collected	215 80	
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Paid to Treasurer		\$361 00

1952 Warrant

Timber tax collected	\$10 50	
Property tax collected	3 45	
Interest collected	25 10	
Paid to Treasurer		39 05
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Total collections and payment to Treasurer		\$26,751 77

Respectfully submitted,

JOS. P. TANNER, Collector

TREASURER'S STATEMENT

Receipts

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1955	\$9,351 82	
Total receipts from all sources	37,717 60	
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Grand Total		\$47,069 42

Disbursements

Total payments on orders from Selectmen		
as per detail	\$44,215 66	
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1955	2,549 63	
Plus error school acct. overdraft	304 13	
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Grand Total		\$47,069 42

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER HAYES, Treasurer

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

1. Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$2,500
2. Libraries, Furniture and Equipment	750
4. Fire Department, Equipment	1,000
5. Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	8,000
Equipment	10,500
6. Town Memorial Forest	900
9. Schools, Lands and Buildings	5,000
Equipment	2,700
11. All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds	
Connor lot	250
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Total	\$31,600

BALANCE**ASSETS**

Cash	
In hands of treasurer	\$2,853 76
Capital Reserve Funds:	
Library	917 36
Due from State:	
(a) T.R.A. Highway Const. Acct.	
1956	398 97
1957	373 93
(b) Acct. Growing Wood & Timber	1,325 46
(c) Bounties	5 00
Other bills due Town:	
(a) Tar & gravel	197 87
(b) Plowing driveways	258 01
Uncollected Taxes:	
(a) Levy of 1955 Prop. taxes	1,837 46
Levy of 1955 Poll taxes	42 00
(b) Levy of 1955 Yield taxes	55 20
(c) Levy of 1954 Prop. taxes	21 25
(d) Levy of 1954 Yield taxes	77 04
(e) Levy of 1953 Prop. taxes	14 52
(f) Levy of 1953 State Head taxes	115 00
Total Assets	<u>\$8,990 83</u>
Grand Total	<u>\$8,990 83</u>
Net Debt, December 31, 1954	\$2,399 23
Net Surplus, December 31, 1955	2,107 36
Increase of surplus	<u>\$4,506 59</u>

SHEET**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Owed by the Town:

Due to State:

State Head Taxes—1955 \$115 00

Due to School Districts:

Balance of Appropriation 2,851 11

Capital Reserve Funds:

Library 917 36

Long Term Notes Outstanding:

Purchase Truck and Plow, due
12/28/56 3,000 00

Total Liabilities \$6,883 47

Excess of Assets over Liabilities (Net Surplus) 2,107 36

Grand Total \$8,990 83

RECEIPTS**Current Revenue:****From Local Taxes: (Collected and remitted to Treasurer)**

Property Taxes—Current Year—	
1955	\$23,966 56
Poll Taxes—Current Year—Regular	
@ \$2—1955	130 00
State Head Taxes @ \$5—1955	440 00
Total Current Year's Taxes collected and remitted	\$24,537 56
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes— Previous Years	2,065 11
Poll Taxes—Previous Years—Reg- ular @ \$2	32 00
State Head Taxes @ \$5—Previous Years	85 00
Interest Received on Taxes	25 10
Penalties on State Head Taxes	7 00

From State:

Head Tax Refund	4 50
For Town Road Aid	399 05
Interest and dividends tax	404 62
Railroad Tax	57 57
Savings Bank Tax	53 07
Reimbursement % State and Fed- eral forest lands	624 85
Reimbursement % Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber	1,445 41
National forest reserve	508 13
Fighting forest fires	18 16
Bounties	45 50
Gas Tax Refund	25 60

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog licenses	6 00
Rent of town property	107 63
Filing fees	8 00

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town officers' salaries	\$1,187 52
Town officers' expenses	460 64
Election and registration expenses	42 00
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	36 00

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	83 00
Fire Trails	301 37
Fire department, including forest fires	159 39
Bounties	5 00
Insurance	328 89

Highways and Bridges:

Town Maintenance	3,800 42
Crossing Signals	1,329 72

Libraries:

Libraries	52 80
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Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance	327 00
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Recreation:

Town Forest	44 90
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Patriotic Purposes:

Old Home Day	100 00
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Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries	564 36
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Unclassified:

Damages and legal expenses	985 51
Regional Associations	80 00
Refunds	313 67
Roadside Improvement	33 00

Total Current Maintenance Expenses \$10,235 19

RECEIPTS

Registration of motor vehicles, 1955		
Permits	1,499	36
Sale of Cemetery lots	100	00
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Total Current Revenue Receipts		\$32,059 22
Receipts Other than Current Revenue:		
Temporary loans in anticipation of		
taxes during year	\$5,000	00
Refund school acct. overdraft	596	38
Refund Old Home Day Appropriation	62	00
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Total Receipts from All Sources		\$37,717 60
Cash on hand January 1, 1955		9,351 82
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Grand Total		\$47,069 42

PAYMENTS

Interest:

Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	216 67	
Total Interest Payments		\$216 67

Indebtedness:

Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	\$13,000 00	
Total Indebtedness Payments		\$13,000 00

Payments to other Governmental Divisions:

State Treasurer, Head Taxes	\$529 50	
County Treasurer, County tax	3,234 30	
School Treasurer, School tax	17,000 00	
Total Payments to other Governmental Divisions		\$20,763 80
Total Payments for all Purposes		\$44,215 66
Cash on hand December 31, 1955		2,853 76
		\$47,069 42

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Jan.	15	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	\$32 51
	18	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	100 00
		J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	341 73
	24	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	706 50
		State Treasurer, Gas tax refund	10 19
Feb.	1	Selectmen, plowing driveways	5 00
		L. E. Philbrook, auto permit fees	41 46
	4	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	406 50
	16	State Treasurer, Gas tax refund	5 13
Mar.	1	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	11 72
		J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	198 37
		L. E. Philbrook, auto permit fees	201 56
		L. E. Philbrook, filing fees	7 00
	2	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	15 00
	9	L. E. Philbrook, auto permit fees	224 21
	26	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	39 58
	28	L. E. Philbrook, auto permit fees	540 62
Apr.	2	State Treasurer, Bounties, (7 bear)	35 00
		State Treasurer, Bounties, (21 hedgehogs)	10 50
	4	L. E. Philbrook, auto permit fees	48 97
	16	School District, overdraft	596 38
	24	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	28 50
		State Treasurer, forest fire	12 58
		State Treasurer, Gas tax refund	10 28
May	7	L. E. Philbrook, auto permit fees	76 78
	23	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	10 00
June	10	State Treasurer, forest fire	5 58
		L. E. Philbrook, auto permit fees	146 71
	27	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	22 75
		State Treasurer, Refund on Head Taxes	4 50
		Selectmen, revolver permit fee	1 00
July	6	White Mt. Trust Co., Loan	5,000 00
	23	State Treasurer, T.R.A. Account	399 05

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Aug. 15	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	70 69
	State Treasurer, Int. & Div. tax	404 62
20	L. E. Philbrook, auto permit fees	111 34
Sept. 10	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	107 13
	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	6 75
	State Treasurer, Yield tax	1,445 41
Oct. 8	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	8,933 71
	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	538 20
20	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	16 50
	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	4 70
	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	662 20
31	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	949 66
Nov. 3	C. B. Evans, refund, Old Home Day App.	62 00
8	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	759 56
10	L. E. Philbrook, auto permit fees	81 68
18	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	927 34
Dec. 1	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	641 44
	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	49 60
3	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	9,681 45
5	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	564 90
8	State Treasurer, National Forest Reserve	508 13
10	Selectmen, plowing driveways	26 63
14	Selectmen, plowing driveways	21 00
17	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	164 40
	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	15 00
29	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	483 40
	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	30 68
30	Selectmen, plowing driveways	42 00
	Selectmen, Cemetery Lots	100 00
	L. E. Philbrook, auto permit fees	26 03
	L. E. Philbrook, dog tax	6 00
	Selectmen, plowing driveways	13 00
	State Treasurer, Acct. State & Federal Lands	624 85
	State Treasurer, Savings Bank Tax	53 07
	State Treasurer, Railroad Tax	57 57
	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	229 30
	J. P. Tanner, Tax Collector	2 00

Total Receipts

\$37,717 60

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries

L. E. Philbrook, Town Clerk	\$ 50 00
Victor Kidder, Selectman	175 00
C. B. Evans, Selectman	200 00
Roland Hayes, Selectman	250 00
Joseph Tanner, Tax Collector	267 52
Gordon Evans, Road Agent	100 00
Chester Hayes, Treasurer	125 00
James Pearson, Auditor	10 00
William White, Auditor	10 00

\$1,187 52

Town Officers' Expenses

Edson C. Eastman Co., Election Forms	\$4 10
L. E. Philbrook, representing town in Pipe Line suit	12 51
Association of N. H. Assessors, Dues	3 00
The Bethel Citizen, printing Town Reports	168 00
Edward Campbell, printing ballots	15 75
Warren Bartlett, transfer cards	5 92
Edson C. Eastman Co., Books, etc.	21 25
George & Morse, Treasurer's Bond	20 00
Roy G. Hamlin, Town Clerk's Bond	5 00
Roy G. Hamlin, Tax Collector's Bond	25 00
Roy G. Hamlin, Trustee's Bond	13 50
Tax Collector's Dues to N. H. Tax Collectors' Ass.	3 00
Edson C. Eastman Co., signature stamp for clerk	5 27
Edson C. Eastman Co., office supplies	26 50
Charles R. Hardy, Clerk's Associa- tion dues	2 00
L. E. Philbrook, postage & telephone calls	4 89

L. E. Philbrook, auto permit fees	76 50
Victor Kidder, expenses to meetings	22 50
Roland Hayes, expenses to meetings	25 95

\$460 64

Police

Chester Hayes, expenses & salary	\$83 00
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HIGHWAYS

Summer Maintenance

State of N. H., Grader crew	\$29 00
Northern Paving Co., Coal Patch	72 71
Gordon Evans, Payroll	96 75
Northern Paving Co., Coal Patch	28 88
Gordon Evans, Payroll	75 50
Northern Paving Co., Coal Patch	18 08
State of N. H., Chloride, 1954 Acc't	87 00
State of N. H., Chloride, 1955 Acc't	143 48
Gordon Evans, Payroll	20 80
Gordon Evans, Payroll	143 60
Director of Internal Revenue, With- holding Tax	21 80
Gordon Evans, Payroll	136 65
Gordon Evans, Payroll	76 40
Gordon Evans, Payroll	87 80
Northern Paving Co., Coal Patch	20 36
Gordon Evans, Payroll	78 85
C. B. Evans, Gravel	5 60
Director Internal Revenue, Withhold- ing Tax	29 20
Northern Paving Co., Coal Patch	39 19
L. E. Philbrook, Cottage roads	10 00

\$1,221 65

Canadian National Railways

Crossing Light Signal, Lead Mine Crossing	\$1,329 72
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Winter Maintenance

Gordon Evans, Payroll	\$117 00
Roland Hayes, gas bill	31 32

Director Internal Revenue, With- holding Tax	22 40
Gordon Evans, Payroll	103 10
Berlin Welding Co., Welding Plow	16 05
Kelly's Auto Supply, Tire Chains	23 49
William O'Donnell, rail pipe for truck	7 57
Gorham Garage, Welding & labor	1 80
Gordon Evans, Payroll	125 70
Gordon Evans, Payroll	105 10
Roland Hayes, gas bill	33 67
Berlin Welding Co., Welding Plow	12 70
Gordon Evans, Payroll	87 10
Gordon Evans, Payroll	63 35
Roland Hayes, gas bill	66 40
Gordon Evans, Payroll	84 30
Gordon Evans, Payroll	57 40
Roland Hayes, gas bill	21 97
Director Internal Revenue, With- holding Tax	54 30
Gordon Evans, Payroll	340 35
Elizabeth Morse, sand	26 40
State of N. H., salt	123 25
Gordon Evans, Payroll	39 26
Gordon Evans, Payroll	121 73
Roland Hayes, gas bill	19 76
Gordon Evans, Payroll	72 50
Berlin Welding Co., Welding Plow part	3 80

\$1,781 77

General Expense & Repairs

Perkins Oil Co., Fuel oil	\$95 78
Morris & Co., Shingles for Garage	5 00
R. C. Hazelton Co., Plow Blades	72 63
Perkins Oil Co., Fuel oil	39 56
Public Service Co., Lights	15 01
Lary's Garage, Greasing Truck	3 60
William O'Donnell, paint for truck body	6 50
Perkins Oil Co., Fuel oil	56 78
Public Service Co., Lights	4 04
Public Service Co., Lights	3 16
Public Service Co., Lights	7 00
Repainting Garage sign	16 00

Stone's Hardware, Bolts	46	
Kelly's Auto Supply, Mud flaps for truck	6 00	
Perkins Oil Co., Fuel oil	22 80	
R. C. Hazelton Co., Plow Blades	295 20	
J. E. Faltin Motor Transport, Express on plow parts	10 53	
Lary's Garage, Inspection & repairs on truck	8 50	
Leon Costello, Truck tires & tube	117 82	
Kelly's Auto Supply, Plow Lights	7 40	
Public Service Co., Lights	1 75	
Roland Hayes, cash slip, Curtis Hardware for rope	1 48	
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		\$797 00
Total Highway Payments		<hr/> \$3,800 42

Insurance

George & Morse, Employees Liability	\$73 80	
Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Co., Garage	77 42	
Mass. Bonding Co., forest fire accident	85 00	
George & Morse, Employees Liability	24 27	
George & Morse, Truck Ins.	68 40	
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		\$328 89

Town Hall

Repainting sign	\$16 00	
Frank Wheeler, Janitor service	20 00	
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		\$36 00

Bounties

C. B. Evans		\$5 00
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Election

Ralph Peabody, Moderator	\$10 00
Lucy Hayes, Ballot Clerk	6 00
Robert McLain, Ballot Clerk	6 00

Avis Mountain, Supervisor	10 00
Flora Barnes, Supervisor	10 00

\$42 00

Fire Department

Kenneth Harvey, Fire Extinguisher	\$35 98
Ralph Peabody, Wardens' Training Meeting	25 16
Ralph Peabody, grass fire	12 65
Roland Hayes, Payroll	22 50
Roland Hayes, Payroll	63 10

\$159 39

Libraries

N. H. Profiles Subscription	\$2 80
Lucy Hayes, Librarian	50 00

\$52 80

Old Home Day

C. B. Evans, Appropriation	\$100 00
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Town Forest

Ralph Peabody, Payroll	\$13 90
Brown Co., Lease on Park	1 00
Ralph Peabody, Payroll	10 00
Ralph Peabody, Payroll	20 00

\$44 90

Cemeteries

Morris & Co., Cement	\$2 60
Roland Hayes, Payroll	143 38
Morris & Co., Cement	4 05
Roland Hayes, Payroll	98 13
Roland Hayes, Payroll	24 50
Roland Hayes, Payroll	196 00
Ralph Peabody, loam	60 00
Roland Hayes, fertilizer	27 10
Stone's Hardware, rake & grass seed	8 60

\$564 36

Legal Expenses

Arthur Bergeron, Pipe Line Account	\$464 07
John Gormley, Pipe Line Account	518 44
George Keough	3 00

\$985 51

Unclassified

Refund School Transfer Acct.	\$313 67
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Regional Associations

White Mountain Region Association, Appropriation	\$80 00
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Roadside Improvement

Gordon Evans, Truck	\$12 00
Roland Hayes, Tractor	21 00

\$33 00

Fire Trails

Ralph Peabody, Payroll	\$96 80
Ralph Peabody, Payroll	67 72
Ralph Peabody, Payroll	85 60
Ralph Peabody, Payroll	30 00
Ralph Peabody, Payroll	21 25

\$301 37

Public Welfare

State of New Hampshire, Old Age Assistance	\$327 00
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Interest

White Mountain Trust Co., Interest on notes	\$216 67
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Payments to Other Governmental Divisions

State Treasurer, Head taxes	\$529 50
County Treasurer, County tax	3,234 30
School Treasurer, School Tax	17,000 00

\$20,763 80

Indebtedness

White Mountain Trust Co., Temporary Loan	\$13,000 00
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Total Payments for all Purposes \$44,215 66

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF SHELBURNE ON DECEMBER 31, 1955

(Principal: 1. Balance Beginning Year; 2. Balance End Year; Income: 3. Balance Beginning Year; 4. Percent. Income During Year; 5. Expended During Year; 6. Balance End Year.)

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Fund	How Invested	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
9-18-09	Otis Evans	Cemetery	Savings Bank	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$138.54	2½ & 3	\$5.20		\$143.74
7-1-14	Sarah R. Ingalls	Cemetery	Savings Bank	100.00	100.00	115.03	2½ & 3	5.93	\$4.00	116.96
4-13-18	Emlyn W. Evans	Cemetery	Savings Bank	100.00	100.00	184.14	2½ & 3	9.00		193.19
10-2-32	Washington Newell	Cemetery	Savings Bank	50.00	50.00	34.50	2½ & 3	2.32		36.82
8-1-36	Loren B. Evans	Cemetery	Savings Bank	300.00	300.00	48.10	2½ & 3	9.63		57.73
8-1-36	Jacob Stevens	Cemetery	Savings Bank	300.00	300.00	48.10	2½ & 3	9.63		57.73
3-5-47	Alice Bisbee	Cemetery	Savings Bank	90.00	90.00	14.11	2½ & 3	2.87		16.98
4-4-47	Lemuel Wheeler	Cemetery	Savings Bank	100.00	100.00	15.67	2½ & 3	3.18		18.85
10-28-53	Wilfred S. Peabody	Cemetery	Savings Bank	48.66	48.66	1.21	2½ & 3	1.36		2.57

CERTIFICATE

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

JAMES PEARSON
C. B. EVANS
RALPH PEABODY
Trustees

SHELBURNE SCHOOL REPORT

March 13, 1955

OFFICERS

Moderator

CHESTER HAYES

Clerk

LAWRENCE PHILBROOK

Treasurer

CHESTER HAYES

Auditors

WILLIAM WHITE

JAMES PEARSON

Truant Officer

DAVID WILSON

School Nurse

GLADYS FANCY

School Board

CHARLOTTE WILSON

Term Expires 1956

FRANK GREENIER

Term Expires 1957

LUCY ANDREWS

Term Expires 1958

Superintendent of Schools

GORDON R. TATE

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Shelburne qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Shelburne on the 14th day of March, 1956 at 7:30 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the school board and truant officer and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.
6. To hear the report of agents, auditors, committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose agents, auditors, 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 officers and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district and to authorize the application against said appropriations of such sums as are estimated to be received, 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 raise and appropriate \$100.00 to buy a piece of land, located east of and adjacent to the school lot, from Chester Hayes.

10. To see if the District will raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$500.00 to complete approximately one-half of the loaming and grassing of the school playground.

11. To see if the District will raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for installation of an oil burner in the school house.

12. To see if the district will vote to adopt a plan for extending to employees of the district the benefits of title II of the Federal Social Security Act (Old Age and Survivor's Insurance) as authorized by Chapter 101 of the Revised Statutes Annotated Amended by Chapters 301 and 332 of the Laws of 1955 and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45.00 to defray the district's share of the cost thereof.

13. If a plan for Social Security coverage is adopted, to see if the district will authorize the School Board to execute on behalf of the district the necessary agreement with the State of New Hampshire to carry into effect the plan and to see if the district will designate the School Treasurer as the officer to be responsible for the administration of the plan.

14. To see if the district will appoint a committee to study the possibilities of forming a Cooperative School District consisting of Gorham, Randolph and Shelburne, and report back at a later meeting.

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

Given under our hands at said Shelburne this 15th day of February, 1956.

CHARLOTTE WILSON
FRANK GREENIER
LUCY ANDREWS

School Board

BUDGET FOR 1956-57

(Compared with Working Budget for 1955-56
and Expenditures for 1954-55)

	Amount Spent 1954-55	Adopted Budget 1955-56	Proposed Budget 1956-57
Salaries of District Officers \$	120.00	\$ 160.00	\$ 160.00*
Superintendent's Salary (local share)	262.50	240.00	170.00*
Tax for State Wide Supervision	86.00	94.00	94.00*
Salaries of Other Administrative Personnel	106.00	112.00	95.00*
Supplies and Other Expenses	179.18	104.00	115.38*
Teachers' Salaries	2,556.00	2,680.00	2,850.00
Books and Other Instructional Aids	71.58	100.00	125.00
Scholars' Supplies	54.55	100.00	100.00
Other Instructional Expenses	16.74	35.00	50.00
Salaries of Janitors	280.00	420.00	500.00
Fuel or Heat	631.50	300.00	300.00
Water, lights, supplies & Expenses	66.37	80.00	100.00
Repairs and Replacements	554.59	400.00	600.00
Health Supervision	83.00	90.00	135.00
Transportation	1,714.23	2,400.00	2,000.00
Tuition	4,020.72	5,675.00	7,900.00
Special Activities and Special Funds	596.38	15.00	115.00
Retirement	190.72	200.00	200.91*
Insurance, Treasurer's Bonds and Expenses	75.00	75.00	80.00
New Equipment	64.50	1,025.00	500.00
Principal of Debt			1,000.00
Interest on Debt			47.50
Totals			
	\$12,370.56	\$14,305.00	\$17,237.79
Total School Budget	12,086.00	13,305.00	
Raised by Local Taxation	12,806.00	13,851.00	
Requested Appropriation, March, 1956			\$17,237.79**

*The starred items are required by law to be raised as determined by the proper authorities. The district determines the salaries of the district officers. The Supervisory Union Board decides the local share of the superintendent's salary and other union expenses. The district's share of the superintendent's salary for 1954-55 was \$262.50. Other towns in the union contributed as follows: Dummer, \$218.75; Gorham, \$2,625.00; Jefferson, \$568.25; Milan, \$525.00; Randolph, \$223.00. These amounts are more than was raised for this purpose by the 1954-55 budget because of duplication of salary for Mr. Knightly for the month of May, 1955. By state regulations, he was entitled to 30 days leave which he accumulated and the union had to contribute to this cost. The State Treasurer reports the amount of per capita tax. The Teacher's Retirement Board assesses the amount for teachers' retirement and the State Employees Retirement Association assesses the amount for the Superintendent's retirement.

**Any balance at end of year will be deducted from this amount.

FINANCIAL REPORT

1954-55

Cash on hand, July 1, 1954	\$6 79
Current Appropriation	12,086 00
Other Sources	731 66

Total Receipts from All Sources \$12,824 45

Payments

Salaries of District Officers	\$120 00
Superintendent's Salary (local share)	262 50
Tax for State Wide Supervision	86 00
Salaries of Other Administrative Personnel	106 00
Supplies and Expenses	179 18
Teacher's Salary	2,556 00
Books and Other Instructional Aids	71 58
Scholars' Supplies	54 55
Supplies and Other Expenses	16 74
Salary of Janitor	280 00
Fuel or Heat	631 50
Water, Light, Supplies & Expenses	66 37
Repairs and Replacements	554 59
Health Supervision	83 00
Transportation	1,714 23
Tuition	4,020 72
Special Activities & Special Funds	596 38
Retirement	190 72
Insurance, Treasurer's Bond & Expenses	75 00
Land and New Buildings	1 00
Additions and Improvements to Buildings	640 00
New Equipment	64 50

Total Payments for all Purposes \$12,370 56
Cash on hand, June 30, 1955 453 89

GRAND TOTAL \$12,824 45

SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1955

Cash on hand, June 30, 1954	\$6 79
Received from Selectmen:	
Appropriation for current year	\$12,086 00
Received from all other sources	731 66
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Total	\$12,817 66
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Total amount available for fiscal year	\$12,824 45
Less School Board orders paid	12,370 56
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Balance on hand as of June 30, 1955	\$453 89

CHESTER HAYES,
District Treasurer

July 1, 1955

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

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 SHELBURNE, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955 and find them correct in all respects.

JAMES PEARSON
WILLIAM WHITE

Auditors

July 1, 1955

DETAIL STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

1954-55

Salaries of District Officers:

James Pearson, auditor	\$ 2 50
William White, auditor	2 50
Lucy Andrews, school board salary	35 00
Charlotte Wilson, school board salary	25 00
Constance Leger, school board salary	12 50
Frank Greenier, school board salary	12 50
Chester Hayes, moderator and treasurer	27 50
Harold Mountain, clerk	2 50

\$120 00

Superintendent's Salary (Local Share):

Supervisory Union No. 20, expenses \$262 50

Tax for State Wide Supervision:

N. H. State Treasurer, per capita tax \$86 00

Salaries of Other Administrative Personnel:

Supervisory Union No. 20, expenses	\$96 00
Lucy Andrews, census	5 00
David Wilson, truant officer	5 00

\$106 00

Supplies and Expenses:

Supervisory Union No. 20, expenses	\$156 00
Albert P. Knightly, reimbursement	5 47
George H. Keough, expenses	9 00
Registry of Deeds, Coos County, expenses	2 03
Gordon R. Tate, reimbursement	3 00
Gorham School District, phone bill	3 68

\$179 18

Teacher's Salary:

Madeline Lary, salary	\$1,896 60
Barbara Church, substitute	32 00

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Louise Burbank, substitute	24 00	
Federal Reserve Bank, tax	354 00	
N. H.-Vt. Hospitalization Service, blue cross	31 00	
N. H. Teachers' Retirement Sys- tem, retirement	218 40	
	<hr/>	\$2,556 00

Books and Other Instructional Aids:

Laidlaw Brothers, books	\$ 2 79	
Silver Burdett Company, books	6 70	
American Book Company, books	33 24	
Scott, Foresman & Company, books	28 85	
	<hr/>	\$71 58

Scholars' Supplies:

Milton Bradley Company, supplies	\$10 01	
American Education Publications, weekly readers	10 50	
Gorham School District, supplies	34 04	
	<hr/>	\$54 55

Supplies and Other Expenses:

World Book Company, tests	\$ 3 33	
Doubleday and Company, books	13 41	
	<hr/>	\$16 74

Salary of Janitor:

David Wilson, salary		\$280 00
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Fuel or Heat:

Edgar J. Roy, coal	\$260 00	
J. Arthur Landry, wood	18 00	
Chester Hayes, wood	30 00	
Riverview Cabins, wood	22 00	
C. N. Hodgdon Company, coal	301 50	
	<hr/>	\$631 50

Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses:

Public Service Company of N. H., lights	\$40 93	
Morin's Wholesale, Inc. supplies	25 44	
	<hr/>	\$66 37

Repairs and Replacements:

Horace Bedard & Son, cleaning	\$7 00
Stone's Hardware Store, supplies	56 12
Warren Hayes, repairs	247 94
David Wilson, labor	7 25
Albert P. Knightly, reimbursement	4 42
Hillyard Sales Company, supplies	32 50
Joudrey's Hardware Store, supplies	150 00
Phil Stuart, supplies and labor	49 36

\$554 59

Health Supervision:

Gladys Fancy, salary	\$73 95
N. H. Teachers' Retirement System, retirement	9 05

\$83 00

Transportation:

David Wilson, salary	\$1,020 00
George & Morse, insurance	85 96
Gorham Garage, repairs	270 34
Roland Hayes, gas	281 22
Chester Hayes, gas	56 71

\$1,714 23

Tuition:

Gould Academy	\$284 72
Gorham School District	3,736 00

\$4,020 72

Special Activities and Special Funds:

Town of Shelburne, refund	\$596 38
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Retirement:

Supervisory Union No. 20, retirement	\$15 79
N. H. Teachers' Retirement System, retirement	174 93

\$190 72

Insurance, Treasurer's Bond and Expenses:

N. H. School Boards Association,		
school board dues	\$10 00	
George & Morse, treasurer's bond	5 00	
Ralph I. Peabody, insurance	60 00	
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Land and New Buildings:

Chester Hayes, deed	\$1 00
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Additions and Improvements to Buildings:

Poretta Lumber Company, labor	\$640 00
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New Equipment:

Cascade Paper Company, supplies	\$64 50
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Total Payments for All Purposes	<hr/>	\$12,370 56
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REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

To the Superintending School Committee and the Citizens
of the Shelburne School District:

Foreword

The aims of our schools cannot be separated from those of society, since education is one of the bases on which society rests. It has been a fundamental principle of American democracy that we should have free public education in this country. Without an enlightened citizenry, our nation would not have grown to its present heights. In New Hampshire we generally agree that schools should provide the best education possible for each child, whatever his ability might be. Since the ability of every child varies, we should provide the best possible education to fit his individual needs. Our schools must make provisions to handle the bright, the dull, the lazy, the industrious, the shy, the bold, the practical and the artistic.

In the short time that I have served as your Superintendent, I would conclude that the schools of Union No. 20 do a good job in teaching the fundamental skills (the three R's). Tests that have been given prove this to be true. We should certainly maintain this good record and, if possible, show some improvement.

There is nothing that will take the place of a firm knowledge of the skills. However, there are some areas in which we should be doing more than we are at the present time. Students need more aid in the area of guidance—academic, vocation and social. More time could be spent profitably in the fields of music, art and speech. These are not educational “frills” as some people would like us to believe, but are ways in which we can hope to accomplish the aims of education. What are these aims? Very briefly, I would list them as follows:

1. Mastery of the basic skills and tools of knowledge—the three R's.

2. Becoming a good citizen.
3. Being able to enjoy physical and mental health and understanding the laws of hygiene.
4. Appreciating art, music and literature.
5. Being able to provide for needs by employment in the professions, industries, the arts and the sciences.
6. Being able to use increased leisure time wisely.
7. Being able to understand the physical aspects of our world—a knowledge of science.
8. Being tolerant of others, regardless of race, creed, or color.

These aims mean that we must provide both an academic and realistic atmosphere in our schools. While we cannot neglect the traditional type of education, we must also provide practical learning that will fulfill the needs of those students not going on to schools of higher learning.

With an ever-increasing enrollment in our schools and the holding power of the school growing, we have serious problems facing us. They can be solved only through a sincere interested citizenry who are willing to face the problems and attempt to do something about them.

Teacher

Miss Madeline Lary served as teacher again in the Shelburne School. This completes six years of service in our district for Miss Lary by counting the years served between 1944-46.

Enrollment and Attendance

There are at the present time 20 pupils enrolled at school. This is the same number as last year but it is well to note that the sixth grade is now attending the Gorham schools. This move was made to decrease the number of different classes that the teacher would have to meet daily. This enables more concentration on the lower grades where there is more demand on the teacher's time. Next year, in keeping with the recommendation of the Citizen's Study Committee, Grade five will also attend the Gorham schools, but we still will have an enrollment increase in the local school. The following is the projected enrollment for the Shelburne school, Grade 1 to 4, based on the last census report:

	Grade 1	2	3	4	Total
1956-57	10	7	3	2	22
1957-58	7	10	7	3	27
1958-59	9	7	10	7	33
1959-60	5	9	7	10	31
1960-61	6	5	9	7	27

Percentage of attendance showed an improvement during the past year with a figure of 95.0 per cent. However, the total number of tardinesses also showed an increase, with a total of 13.

Tuition

At the present time, we have 22 attending school outside the district, all in Gorham, from grades six through twelve. With only one in the senior class and an entering group of four in grade five next year at Gorham, we can expect about thirty one tuition pupils for the year 1956-57. This represents the largest increase in the budget, but this number should level off some starting the following year as there are 3 in the present eleventh grade.

Tuition rates at Gorham for the year 1956-57 are \$200.00 for the elementary grades and \$300.00 for the high school.

Notes on the Budget

The amount asked by the school board to be raised for 1956-57 is \$17,157.79, compared to \$14,305.00 raised this last year. As mentioned above under tuition, this figure represents an increase of \$2,375.00. Another item which causes an increase in the budget is new equipment. With the purchase of new desks for the school, the interior of the building should be quite adequate for several years. There is also an increase in the amount asked for repairs and replacements. The building needs a coat of paint, repairs to the front porch and new treads on the indoor stairs.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

The following calendar has been proposed and adopted by the school board for the year 1956-57:

First Term

September 5, Wednesday, School Opens
 November 21, Wednesday, School Closes, 12:30 P. M.
 November 26, Monday, School Opens
 December 19, Wednesday, School Closes, 12:30 P. M.
 School Term in Days—74

Second Term

January 2, Wednesday, School Opens
 February 15, Friday, School Closes
 School Term in Days—33

Third Term

February 25, Monday, School Opens
 April 18, Thursday, School Closes
 School Term in Days—39

Fourth Term

April 29, Monday, School Opens
 June 14, Friday, School Closes
 School Term in Days—34

Days Out

November 22, 23—Thanksgiving Recess
 April 19—Good Friday
 May 30, Thursday—Memorial Day

Warrant

The School Board has included several special articles in the school warrant this year. One is for purchase of land east of the building which has been used by the school for many years, and actually has not belonged to the district. The second article is for a sum of money to complete half of the loaming of the playground. As one rides by the school and sees the use of this new playground area by the pupils, one can appreciate its value to the life of the school. Loaming of this area will not only make it a better place to play but will add beauty to the school and will aid in protecting the floors.

An article is included also for the purpose of installing an oil burner in the school. Such an installation would not only provide more even temperature in the room, but would give the janitor more time for cleaning and doing minor repairs about the building. Two articles are included to give district employees coverage under the Social Security program. This would enable district employees, eligible for Social Security, to have some retirement protection not available to them prior to this time. The district is also being asked to appoint a committee to study the possibilities of a Cooperative School District consisting of Shelburne, Gorham and Randolph. This type of organization has advantages to each district and should be investigated. The committee would be instructed to report back its findings at a later meeting.

Conclusion

Because this report is being made for the year 1954-55, most of the details happened during the time my predecessor, Mr. Albert Knightly, served as your superintendent. I would like to take this opportunity to say that I was fortunate in following a man of his ability and efficiency. His work certainly gave me a solid foundation on which to look forward to the future in Union No. 20.

I would also like to express my appreciation to the members of the School Board, the parents, teachers, students and friends for their cooperation and help. With the same feeling continuing, I am sure that we can maintain our good schools and also hope to improve them.

Respectfully submitted,

GORDON R. TATE

Superintendent of Schools

REGISTRATION AND ATTENDANCE

1954-55

Teacher, Madeline Lary	
Number of Pupils	22
Number of boys	12
Average Attendance	19.3
Average Membership	20.2
Percentage of attendance	95.0
Number of tardinesses	13

ENROLLMENT

December 15, 1955

Grade 1	7
Grade 2	3
Grade 3	2
Grade 4	4
Grade 5	4
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Total	20

