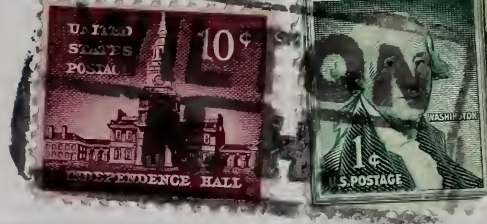


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NEW HAMPSHIRE

1958 TOWN and  
SCHOOL REPORTS



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*of the*  
Town Officers  
*of*  
Wilton, N. H.

*for the*  
*Year Ending December 31, 1958*

*Also*  
Officers of School District  
*Year Ending June 30, 1958*

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## TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1958

### *Selectmen*

Charles O. McGettigan, Jr.	Term Expires 1959
Fred C. Nelson	Term Expires 1960
James L. Sheldon	Term Expires 1961

### *Moderator*

Fred J. Wilkinson

### *Town Clerk*

Kenneth R. Dunham

### *Auditors*

John H. Hutchinson  
Gilbert E. Testa

### *Police*

Arthur L. Keilig  
(Chief resigned)  
Robert O. Wiggin, Chief  
Ole A. Nilsen  
Night Officer

### *Checklist Supervisors*

Elizabeth L. French  
Charles W. Jowders  
Evelyn Lamminen

### *Trustees of Trust Funds*

F. Howard Bardol	Term Expires 1959
Doris G. Boutwell	Term Expires 1960
Earle W. Watts	Term Expires 1961

### *Park and Playground*

Robert J. Stanton	Term Expires 1959
Roland P. Brochu	Term Expires 1960
G. G. Draper, Sr.	Term Expires 1961

### *Water Commissioners*

Lynn W. Potter	Term Expires 1959
Roy W. Smith	Term Expires 1960
James L. Sheldon	Term Expires 1961

*Fire Chief and Forest  
Fire Warden*  
Wilfrid B. Berube

*Assistant Fire Chief*  
Franklin W. Edwards  
William W. Cleaves

*Fire Commissioners*

Lynn W. Potter	Term Expires 1959
Ernest L. Clark	Term Expires 1960
Clifford S. Schultz	Term Expires 1961

*Tax Collector*

Elna D. Stevens  
(Resigned)  
Isobel M. Conrad

*Town Treasurer*

Samuel G. Proctor

*Overseer of Poor*

Chas. O. McGettigan, Jr.

*Deputy Forest Fire  
Wardens*

Franklin W. Edwards  
Lawrence A. Gibbons  
Ernest R. Hutchinson  
J. Victor Tuttle  
Arthur L. Keilig

*Sewer Commissioners  
Selectmen*

*Director of Civil Defense*

William W. Adrian

*Trustees of Gregg Free  
Library*

Harold D. Cheever  
J. E. Draper, Treas.  
Mrs. C. R. Myers, Jr.  
Secretary  
Mrs. Wm. G. Abbott, Jr.  
John Henry Wilson  
Roy W. Smith

*Cemeteries*

Selectmen  
Roland P. Brochu  
Sexton

*Health Officer*

R. P. Galloway, M.D., Term Expires April 16, 1960

*Highway Agent*

Lawrence A. Gibbons

*Town Nurse*

Marion R. Howard, R.N.

*Forest Committee*

James E. Burke  
Harold D. Cheever  
Philip C. Heald, Jr.

*Corders of Wood*

J. Elmer Draper  
Whitney M. Frye  
Harland H. Savage  
Bertus H. Wright

*Janitor Town Hall*

Charles W. Jowders

*Masonry, Stone, Brick*

LeRoy V. Tuttle

*Budget Committee*

J. Elmer Draper, Ch. 1959  
Richard D. Greeley  
(resigned)  
Gilbert E. Testa 1959  
Richard R. Tuttle, Sr. 1959  
Mrs. Philip Godley II 1960  
J. K. Whiting, Jr. 1960  
Robert J. Stanton 1960  
F. Howard Bardol 1961  
Leslie N. Center 1961  
Wm. P. Whiting, Jr. 1961

*Surveyors of Lumber*

Ernest L. Clark  
Leslie R. Frye  
Leo A. LeMire  
Whitney M. Frye  
Welby P. Lowe  
Wilfred LaChance  
Louis Marcoux  
Fred G. Paro  
Wilfrid S. Pellerin  
Horace D. Stearns  
Harland H. Savage  
J. Victor Tuttle  
Bertus H. Wright

*Naming Roads Committee*

Arthur H. Gage  
Frederick C. Peters  
Lawrence S. Putnam  
Lawrence A. Gibbons  
Leslie R. Frye

*Souhegan Watershed*

*Advisory Committee*  
Roy W. Smith

# TOWN WARRANT

## The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Wilton in the County of Hillsborough and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to appear at the Town Hall in said Wilton, on Tuesday, the 10th day of March next, at twelve o'clock noon, to choose all necessary town officers and at 7:30 P. M. to act upon the following subjects: at the School Auditorium:

1. To hear the reports of Town Officers, Agents and Committees and pass any vote relating thereto.

2. To see if the Town will grant the free use of the Town Hall for Bent-Burke Post No. 10 American Legion for Memorial Day exercises.

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

4. To see what action the Town will take in regard to real estate taken over by the Town for non-payment of taxes.

5. To see if the Town will vote to accept the budget as prepared by the Budget Committee or make any alterations relating thereto.

6. To see if the Town will authorize the Tax Collector to appoint a deputy or deputies, under the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 38, of the Revised Statutes Annotated of New Hampshire, or take any action relating thereto.

7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to charge an additional amount of twenty cents on each Poll Tax not paid by September first, for use of the Town as provided by statute.



8. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to convey, by proper deed, to Charles B. Sullivan a strip of land nine feet wide in said Wilton running from the westerly side of Main Street along the northerly boundary of land of said Sullivan (Cheever & Sullivan Law Office Building) to the Souhegan River, or to convey to said Sullivan a right of way over said strip, or take any action relating thereto.

9. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to convey, by proper deed, to the First Unitarian Congregational Society of Wilton Centre, the tract of land upon which the Unitarian Church building now stands in said Wilton Centre, bounded on the north and west by land of Mrs. Francis J. Moors, on the east by the drive leading past said church and the Grange Hall, and on the south by a line running an equal distance between the northerly wall of the Grange Hall and the southerly wall of said church building, upon which tract said Society now has a ninety-nine year lease, or take any action relating thereto.

10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray Town charges for the ensuing year, including town officers' salaries, town officers' expenses, election and registration, municipal court, town hall maintenance, police department, fire department, including brush fires, care of trees, insurance, damage by dogs, civil defense, bond debt and retirement tax, health department, vital statistics, sewer maintenance, town dump, bridges, town road maintenance, street lighting, resurfacing, town road aid, library, town poor, old age assistance, Memorial Day, aid to soldiers and their families, parks and playground, town history committee, water department, cemeteries, hydrant service, water holes, jail, Monadnock Region Association, social security, interest on temporary loans and long term notes, sidewalk construction, sidewalk

repairs, temporary loans, payments on principal of fire truck, T.R.A., and fire station and county tax.

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

Given under our hands and seal this 20th day of February 1959.

CHARLES O. McGETTIGAN, Jr.,  
FRED C. NELSON,  
F. HOWARD BARDOL,  
Selectmen of Wilton, N. H.

# BUDGET

**Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year  
January 1, 1959 to December 31, 1959**

**Compared with**

**Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures  
of the Previous Year Jan. 1, 1958 to Dec. 31, 1958**

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1958	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1958	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1959
<b>From State:</b>			
Interest and dividends tax	\$13,500.00	\$17,167.38	\$15,000.00
Railroad tax	153.00	340.73	150.00
Savings bank tax	200.00	238.27	200.00
Head tax refund	40.00		
Reimbursement a/c State and			
Federal forest lands	50.00	49.49	50.00
For fighting forest fires	500.00	138.48	500.00
T.R.A. reimbursement	7,230.34	6,288.86	6,288.86
Reimbursement a/c old age assistance		1,465.61	
<b>From Local Sources</b>			
<b>    Except Taxes:</b>			
Poor refund		10.00	
Dog licenses	600.00	660.20	600.00
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	55.00	60.50	50.00
Fines & forfeits, municipal court	400.00	23.08	
Rent of town hall and other buildings	900.00	863.00	700.00
Fire department carry-over	423.50	423.50	
Income from trust funds	1,500.00	1,819.00	1,800.00
Sidewalk repair		91.00	
Highway, including rental of equipment	1,000.00	1,466.59	1,400.00
Cemeteries, annual care	300.00	707.85	500.00
Fire alarm service	500.00	500.00	500.00
Health	625.00	438.00	400.00
Social Security	900.00	965.40	1,100.00
Workmen's compensation		91.72	
Water departments	10,000.00	12,791.97	10,000.00
T.R.A. carry-over			2,231.95
Police	260.00	182.50	175.00

<b>SOURCES OF REVENUE</b>	<b>Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1958</b>	<b>Actual Revenue Previous Year 1958</b>	<b>Revenue Ensuing Year 1959</b>
Motor vehicle permit fees	10,000.00	11,278.69	11,000.00
For jail	2,500.00	2,500.00	* 2,500.00
Vital statistics	93.50	93.50	
Sidewalk construc. carry-over	256.29	256.29	756.29
New perpetual care		1,050.00	
Histories		120.00	* 200.00
<b>Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes:</b>			
Fire truck	15,250.00		
Temporary loans	60,000.00	35,000.00	60,000.00
<b>From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:</b>			
(a) Poll taxes—regular at \$2	1,800.00	7,426.00	1,754.00
(b) National bank stock taxes	120.00	134.80	134.80
Total Revenues from			
all sources except			
Property Taxes	\$129,156.63	\$98,642.41	\$117,990.90
*Carry-over			

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Approp'ns Previous Year 1958	Actual Expend. Previous Year 1958	Estimated Expend. Ensuing Year 1959
<b>Current Maintenance Expenses:</b>			
<b>General Government:</b>			
Town officers expenses	3,930.00	3,976.70	3,700.00
Election & registration exp.	600.00	549.11	250.00
Municipal court expenses	200.00	200.00	300.00
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	5,500.00	5,873.57	6,000.00
<b>Protection of Persons &amp; Property:</b>			
Fire station wall	2,839.00	2,839.00	
Police department	9,844.00	9,673.59	10,000.00
Fire department	8,299.90		
Carry-over	423.50	8,829.00	9,555.00
Brush fires	500.00		500.00
Moth extermin.—blister rust and care of trees	500.00	497.07	750.00
Carry-over Livesey fund, care of trees		30.52	
Insurance	700.00	757.24	800.00
Planning and zoning		8.00	
Damage by dogs	175.00	60.28	200.00
Civil defense	100.00	100.73	500.00
Bond debt and retirement tax		104.63	96.81
<b>Health:</b>			
Health dept., inc. hospitals	1,900.00	1,843.64	2,100.00
Vital statistics, carry-over	93.50	56.75	100.00
Sewer maintenance	1,200.00	825.35	1,000.00
Town dump & garbage removal	450.00	331.75	400.00
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>			
	500.00	622.48	500.00
Town maintenance—Summer	12,700.00	12,961.68	11,000.00
Town maintenance—Winter	12,700.00	14,368.29	14,000.00
Street lighting	2,925.00	2,963.04	3,400.00
Resurfacing	8,340.00	8,576.00	6,500.00
Town road aid	943.09		943.09
<b>Libraries:</b>			
	1,500.00	1,500.00	2,000.00
<b>Public Welfare:</b>			
New fire station		68,987.00	
Town poor	3,500.00	600.53	2,500.00
Old age assistance	6,000.00	3,564.58	5,000.00

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Approp'ns Previous Year 1958	Actual Expend. Previous Year 1958	Estimated Expend. Ensuing Year 1959
<b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>			
Memorial Day & Vets. Assoc.	300.00	300.00	300.00
Aid to soldiers & their families	100.00		100.00
Old Home Day			100.00
<b>Recreation:</b>			
Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts	2,025.00	2,009.70	3,025.00
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>			
Town history committee	200.00	carry-over	200.00
Municipally owned water and electric utilities	10,000.00	6,261.23	10,000.00
Cemeteries	4,500.00	5,028.08	4,825.00
Hydrant service	2,100.00	2,100.00	2,100.00
Water holes	250.00		250.00
<b>Unclassified:</b>			
Jail		carry-over	2,500.00
Monadnock Region Assoc.	291.00	291.00	296.00
Employees' retirement and and Social Security	2,100.00	2,474.70	2,750.00
<b>Interest:</b>			
On temporary loans	500.00	428.81	500.00
On long term notes	3,235.11	3,235.11	2,755.10
<b>Outlay for New Construction and Perm. Improvements:</b>			
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>			
Cemetery water line	800.00	800.00	
Sidewalk construction	500.00	carry-over	756.29
Sidewalk const.—carry-over	256.29		500.00
Sidewalk repair	500.00	433.68	500.00
New equipment, snow plow	1,000.00	998.00	
<b>Indebtedness:</b>			
<b>Payment on Principal of Debt:</b>			
Temporary loan	60,000.00	35,000.00	60,000.00
(a) Fire truck	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
(b) T.R.A.	7,230.34	5,000.00	5,900.00
(c) Fire station	5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
(d) T.R.A.		carry-over	2,231.95
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Total Expenditures	\$195,450.73	\$227,854.24	\$194,684.24
Town officers' salaries	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 2,793.40	\$ 3,000.00

## REPORT OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE

In considering the budget for 1959 the budget committee was very much concerned with the continuing increase in the town tax rate. The tax rate in 1954 was \$5.50. In 1958 the rate was \$7.62. This represents an increase in the tax rate of 39% in five years with no marked change in the net valuation.

Unless we find some way to increase our taxable property through increased building, new industry, or revaluation, present taxpayers must increase their tax payments to offset any further increase in taxes. In other words the present seven hundred odd taxpayers must pay their proportion of any additional taxes.

Your budget committee is concerned with the way town funds are being handled. There is general laxness in accounting procedures and not enough attention is being given to accounting for funds due the various departments, because of which the town is not receiving moneys properly due it.

It is still the feeling of the budget committee, as requested by the Selectmen three years ago, that the Road Agent should be appointed by the Selectmen, who then would be responsible for work done as well as for moneys spent. The Road Agent spends \$36-40,000 each year and it would seem that he and the Selectmen could, as a group, handle this sum to a better advantage. We believe that considerable saving could be made in this department.

Our cemetery budget, we think, could produce better results both as to the condition of the cemeteries as well as the financial result to the town.

Our water department, while it shows a profit, could in our opinion, produce more income to the town. This department has a very sizable cash credit in the town treasury on which it should be drawing interest to be added to its credit. It is a business and should operate as a business for the benefit of the town. Some thought

should be given to the expansion of the water system, for without water for fire protection and household use the town cannot grow to any great extent.

The Committee recommends increases in the following departments:

1. Municipal Court – \$100.00 to permit the hiring of a clerk.

2. Town Hall – \$500.00 to cover increased expenses and painting inside entrance hall.

3. Fire Department – \$1200.00 to cover the cost of new hose, hose rack, and steward's salary increase.

4. To eliminate diseased elm trees – \$250.00.

5. Civil Defense – \$500.00 to cover cost of radio and supplies.

6. Health Department – \$200.00 to cover cost of increase in salary to the town nurse.

7. Highway Department - Winter – \$1300.00 to cover cost of excessive expense this January and February due to ice conditions, this being \$368.00 less than was actually spent for 1958.

8. Street Lighting increased \$475.00 to better properly light Main Street.

9. Library increased \$500.00 to cover cost of Social Security for employees.

10. Parks and Playgrounds increased \$1,000.00 to cover increased costs due to new swimming and playground area.

11. Cemeteries – \$325.00 to cover cost of new generator for mower.

12. Town Employees' Social Security increased \$650.00 to cover rate increase.



We recommend the following reductions:

13. Town Officers' Salaries — \$200.00. This allows a \$200.00 increase for the Tax Collector, if necessary, not \$400.00 which was suggested by the Selectmen.

14. Town Officers' Expense — \$230.00.

15. Election and Registration Expense — \$350.00, since there are no State or National elections this year.

16. Sewer Maintenance — \$200.00. This department spent \$375.00 less than the appropriation in 1958.

17. Town Dump — \$50.00.

18. Highway Department - Summer Maintenance — \$1700.00. The 1958 budget was exceeded by \$261.68. We believe more efficient operation can eliminate the need for this amount.

19. Resurfacing — \$1840.00, as requested by the Road Agent.

20. Town Poor — \$1,000.00. The expenditure in 1958 amounted to \$600.53 of the \$3500.00 appropriation. This, like the next item, is very unpredictable, depending upon the need during the year.

21. Old Age Assistance — \$1000.00. The expenditure in 1958 was \$3564.58 of the \$6,000.00 appropriation.

### **School District Budget**

1. Teachers' Salaries. The School Board requested \$93,920.00, an increase of \$7285.00 over last year's appropriation of \$86,635.00. The amount of \$7,285.00 provided for the hiring of a guidance teacher which the committee felt we could do without. We have included \$4400.00, which will give an average increase of \$200.00 per teacher. This plus last year's increase of \$300.00 was felt to be fair in view of the local employment situation.

2. Special Activities. This request was reduced by \$100.00, being the amount given to the chaperones for the Senior Class trip. The Committee feels that this expense should not be borne by the taxpayers.

3. Additions and Improvements plus new equipment was reduced by \$300.00.

The Police Department has requested a new cruiser and the Highway Department a new truck. The Committee feels that if properly used these vehicles can be used for another year, especially since considerable outlay has been made on the present highway truck.

If the town and school budgets are accepted as presented by the Budget Committee no increase in the tax rate is anticipated.

WILTON TOWN BUDGET COMMITTEE

**STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS  
AND TAXES ASSESSED**

Town Officers' Salaries	\$3,200 00
Town Officers' Expenses	3,930 00
Social Security or Retirement	2,100 00
Election and Registration Expenses	600 00
Municipal Court Expenses	200 00
Town Hall and Buildings Maintenance	5,500 00
Police Department	9,844 00
Fire Dep't \$8,299.50, Forest Fires \$500.00 —	
Carry Over \$423.50	9,223 40
Civilian Defense	100 00
Blister Rust — Moth Extermination and Care of Trees	500 00
Health Department	1,900 00
Dump	450 00
Vital Statistics	93 50
Bridges	500 00
Town Road Aid	943 09
Town Maintenance:	
(Summer \$12,700) (Winter \$12,700)	25,400 00
New Construction:	
(Cemetery Water Line \$800)	
(Fire Station, hot topping and wall \$2,839)	3,639 00
Resurfacing	8,340 00
Hydrant Service	2,100 00
Water Holes	250 00
Insurance	700 00
Sidewalk Construction:	
(\$500, Carry Over \$256.29)	756 29
Street Lighting	2,925 00
Sewers	1,200 00
Sidewalk Repair	500 00
New Equipment, Snowplow	1,000 00
Libraries	1,500 00
Old Age Assistance	6,000 00

Public Relief:		
(Town Poor \$3,500) (Soldiers' Aid \$100)	3,600	00
Memorial Day, Vet. Assoc.	300	00
Parks and Playgrounds inc. Band Concerts	2,025	00
Water and Electric Utilities	10,000	00
Cemeteries	4,500	00
Town History Committee	200	00
Damages and Legal Expenses		
inc. Dog Damages	175	00
Monadnock Region Association	291	00
Payments on Debt:		
(Principal \$17,230.34) (Interest \$3,235.11)	20,465	45
Temporary Loan Interest	500	00
County Tax	16,135	83
School Tax	132,407	39
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Total Town and School Appropriations	\$283,993.95	

Less:

Head Tax Refund	\$	40	00
Interest on Taxes		300	00
Interest and Dividends Tax	20,421	56	
Railroad Tax		153	00
Savings Bank Tax		238	27
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal Lands		50	00
Yield Taxes		240	00
Fire Alarm		500	00
Forest Fires		500	00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	10,000	00	
Dog Licenses		600	00
Business Licenses and Permits		55	00
Fines and Forfeits —			
Municipal Court		400	00
Rent of Town Prop. and Equip.	1,900	00	
Int. on Taxes and Income from Trust Funds and Annual Care	1,800	00	
Water Department	10,000	00	

Fire Dept. Carry Over	423	50	
Health \$625, Police \$260	885	00	
Cash Surplus Carry Over			
(Soc. Sec. \$900, Vit. Stat. \$93.50)	993	50	
Other Revenue:			
(Sidewalk Carry Over \$256.29,			
T.R.A. Reimb. \$7,230.34)	7,486	63	
Total Revenues and Credits	-----	\$ 56,986	46
		-----	
		227,007	49
Plus Overlay		702	73
Net Amount to be raised by Taxation		\$227,710	22
Less:			
No. 884 of Poll Taxes at \$2.00	\$1,768	00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	134	80	
	-----	\$ 1,902	80
		-----	
Amount to be raised by property taxes		\$225,807	42
Taxes to be committed to Collector:			
Property Taxes		\$225,807	42
Poll Taxes at \$2.00		1,768	00
National Bank Stock Taxes		134	80
		-----	
Total Taxes to be Committed		\$227,710	22
Town Tax Rate		\$76	20

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES  
FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1958**

	Appropriations	Receipts	Total	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Over-draft	Carried Over
Town officers' salaries	\$ 3,200.00	\$	\$ 3,200.00	\$ 2,793.40	\$ 406.60		
Town officers' expenses	3,930.00	23.08	3,953.08	3,976.70		\$ 23.62	
Election and registration expenses	600.00	8.00	608.00	549.11	58.89		
Town hall	5,500.00	863.00	6,363.00	5,873.57	489.43		
Police department	9,644.00	182.50	9,826.50	9,673.59	152.91		
Fire department	8,299.90	515.30	8,815.20				
Carry-over	423.50		423.50				
Brush fires	500.00	123.18	623.18	8,829.00	1,032.88		
Trees	500.00		500.00	497.07	2.93		
Insurance	700.00	91.72	791.72	757.24	34.48		
Zoning				8.00		8.00	
Damage by dogs	175.00		175.00	60.28	114.72		
Civil Defense	100.00		100.00	100.73		.73	
Health	1,900.00	438.00	2,338.00	1,843.64	494.36		
Vital statistics	93.50		93.50	56.75	36.75		
Sewer	1,200.00		1,200.00	825.35	374.65		
Dump	450.00		450.00	331.75	118.25		
Bridges	500.00		500.00	622.48		122.48	
Summer maintenance	12,700.00	718.41	13,418.41	12,961.68	456.73		
Winter maintenance	12,700.00	612.68	13,312.68	14,368.29		1,055.61	

Street lighting	2,925.00		2,925.00	2,963.04	38.04
Resurfacing	8,340.00	135.50	8,475.50	8,576.00	100.50
T. R. A.	943.09		943.09		943.09
Town poor	3,500.00	10.00	3,510.00	600.53	2,909.47
Old age assistance	6,000.00	1,465.61	7,465.61	3,564.58	3,901.03
Aid to soldiers	100.00		100.00		100.00
Parks and playgrounds	2,025.00		2,025.00	2,009.70	15.30
Town history committee	200.00		200.00		200.00
Cemeteries	4,500.00	2,526.85	7,026.85	5,028.08	1,998.77
Water hole	250.00		250.00		250.00
Social Security	2,100.00	965.40	3,065.40	2,474.70	590.70
Interest, temporary loans	500.00		500.00	428.81	71.19
Sidewalk construction	500.00		756.29		756.29
Carry-over	256.29				
Sidewalk repair	500.00	91.00	591.00	433.68	157.32
Snow plow	1,000.00		1,000.00	998.00	2.00
	<u>\$96,755.28</u>	<u>\$8,770.23</u>	<u>\$105,525.51</u>	<u>\$91,205.75</u>	<u>\$13,519.36</u>
					<u>\$1,348.98</u>
					<u>\$12,170.38</u>
					<u>\$1,348.98</u>
					<u>\$2,149.38</u>

## SUMMARY OF INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Land and Buildings	\$1,963,025 00
Mills and Machinery	480,375 00
Electric Plants	122,300 00
House Trailers Used as Dwellings	200 00
Mature Wood and Timber	4,500 00
Stock in Trade	477,607 00
Boats and Launches	1,500 00
Horses, Asses and Mules, 20	1,685 00
Cows, 422	31,940 00
Other Neat Stock, 17	850 00
Sheep and Goats, 54	540 00
Fowls, 70	50 00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	2,930 00
Portable Mills	2,050 00
Wood, Lumber, etc.	800 00
Total Gross Valuation	\$3,089,352 00
Less Soldiers' Exemptions	126,000 00
Net Valuation	\$2,963,352 00

## ELECTRIC UTILITY COMPANIES

Greenville Electric Light Company	\$ 2,500 00
Hillsborough Mills	800 00
Public Service Company of New Hampshire	118,000 00
Total	\$121,300 00

1. Amount of property valuation exempted to veterans \$125,000 00
2. Amount of property valuation exempted to blind \$1,000 00
3. Number of inventories distributed 710
4. Number of inventories returned 427
5. Number of veterans who received property exemption 125
6. Number of veterans exempted from poll tax 228



**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1958**

**BALANCE SHEET**

**Assets**

Cash:	
In hands of treasurer	\$85,589 48
Capital Reserve Funds	6,272 90
Accounts Due to the Town:	
(b) T. R. A.	17,311 14
Other bills due Town:	
(a) Municipal Court	434 74
Unredeemed Taxes:	
(b) Levy of 1957	599 15
(c) Levy of 1956	503 53
(d) Previous Years	62 54
Uncollected Taxes:	
(a) Levy of 1958	31,502 38
(b) Levy of 1957	258 26
(e) State Head Taxes—Levy of 1958	1,065 00
(f) State Head Taxes—Previous Years	20 00
Total Assets	\$143,619 12
Excess of liabilities over assets (Net Debt)	41,305 32
Grand Total	\$184,924 44
Net Debt—December 31, 1957	\$55,766 12
Net Debt—December 31, 1958	41,305 32
Decrease of Debt	\$14,460 80

**Liabilities**

Accounts Owed by the Town:	
Carry over — Jail	\$ 2,500 00
Town History Committee	200 00
T.R.A. Funds from 1958 available for	
Abbott Trust Note	2,231 95
Sidewalk construction	756 29

Trustees of Trust Fund 1 Perp. Care Lot	150 00
Water hole	250 00
Water department	21,007 07
Due to State:	
(a) State Head Taxes, 1958 (uncollected \$1065.00)	1,065 00
(b) Yield Tax (uncollected \$246.84)	246 84
Due to School Districts:	
Balance of appropriation	57,407 39
Capital Reserve Funds	6,272 90
Long Term Notes Outstanding:	
Town Road Aid	18,600 00
Fire Truck	10,250 00
Fire Station	63,987 00
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Total Liabilities	\$184,924 44

**SCHEDULE OF TOWN OF WILTON  
SERIAL NOTES OUTSTANDING**

Fire Station Notes due August 9	
\$5,000.00 each year at 3%	\$63,987 00
T.R.A. and Fire Truck Notes due August 9	
\$5,900.00 each year at 2¾%	\$28,850 00

SAMUEL G. PROCTOR,  
Town Treasurer.

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, lands and buildings	\$50,000 00
Furniture and equipment	1,000 00
Library, land and building	50,000 00
Furniture and equipment	10,000 00
Police Department, cruiser and equipment	5,600 00
Fire Department, land and building	77,650 00
Equipment	26,335 00
Highway Department, land and buildings	36,000 00
Equipment	13,625 00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	4,000 00
Water Supply if owned by Town	128,000 00
Schools, lands and buildings	445,100 00
Equipment	25,100 00
All lands acquired through Tax Collector's deeds:	
40 acres Eaton land	500 00
Land for Old Store	50 00
Town Forest:	
Frye land	\$320 00
6 acres Howard land	30 00
10 acres Fraser land	250 00
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	600 00
Town Dump land	203 00
Parking lot	3,500 00
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	\$877,263 00

**TOWN CLERK'S REPORT**  
**For the Year Ending December 31, 1958**

**AUTO ACCOUNT**

32 1957 permits	\$ 107 77
1212 1958 permits	11,086 66
9 1959 permits	168 61
Over-deposit	10 56
	\$11,373 60
Paid Samuel G. Proctor, Treasurer	\$11,278 69
Refunded for unused permits	94 91
	\$11,373 60

**DOG ACCOUNT**

1957 Licenses:	
3 males, part year	\$ 2 50
1958 Licenses:	
136 males, full year	272 00
64 spayed females, full year	128 00
32 females, full year	160 00
7 males, part year	10 66
2 spayed females, part year	2 67
4 females, part year	11 33
Late penalties	4 00
Kennel Licenses:	
2 for 5 dogs	24 00
1 for 10 dogs	20 00
1 for 25 dogs	25 00
Over-deposit	06
	\$660 22
Paid Samuel G. Proctor, Treasurer	\$660 20
1957 over-deposit	02
	\$660 22

FILING FEES

Fee received	\$8 00
Paid Samuel G. Proctor, Treasurer	\$8 00

Respectfully submitted,  
KENNETH R. DUNHAM,  
Town Clerk.

**REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR**  
**For the Year Ending December 31, 1958**

**Levy of 1958**

Dr.

Property Taxes Committed	\$225,807	42
Poll Taxes Committed	1,768	00
National Bank Stock Tax	134	80
Total Warrant	-----	\$227,710 22
Yield Taxes		580 84
Added Taxes:		
Property		2,586 99
Polls		56 00
Interest Collected		40 96
Overpayment on Property and Polls		14 00
		\$230,989 01

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property Taxes	\$194,917	80
Polls	1,422	00
National Bank Stock Tax	134	80
Yield Taxes	253	72
Overpayments on		
Property and Polls	14	00
Interest Collected	40	96
Abatements	2,703	35
Uncollected December 31, 1958:		
Property	30,843	26
Polls	332	00
Yield	327	12
	-----	\$230,989 01

**Levy of 1957**

Dr.

Uncollected April 1, 1958:		
Property Taxes	\$14,727	39
Poll Taxes	58	00

Yield Taxes	362 04	
Total Warrant	-----	\$15,147 43
Added Taxes:		
Poll Taxes		12 00
Interest Collected		501 57
Overpayment on Property Tax		04
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		\$15,661 04

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property Taxes	\$14,501 58	
Poll Taxes	60 00	
Yield Taxes	115 20	
Interest Collected	501 57	
Abatements	224 43	
Uncollected Property	7 42	
Poll	4 00	
Yield	246 84	
Total Credits	-----	\$15,661 04

### STATE HEAD TAX REPORTS Levy of 1958

Dr.

Head Taxes Committed	\$5,605 00	
Added Taxes	155 00	
Penalties	9 00	
Overpayments	10 00	
Total Debits	-----	\$5,779 00

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:		
Head Taxes	\$4,490 00	
Overpayment	10 00	
Penalties	9 00	
Abatements	205 00	
Uncollected as per List	1,065 00	
Total Credits	-----	\$5,779 00

**Levy of 1957**

Dr.

Uncollected as of April 1, 1958:

Head Taxes	\$195 00	
Added Taxes	50 00	
Penalties Collected	19 50	
Total Debits	-----	\$264 50

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$195 00	
Penalties	19 50	
Abatements	30 00	
Uncollected	20 00	
Total Credits	-----	\$264 50

**Summary of Tax Sales Accounts as of Dec. 31, 1958**

	1957	1956	1955	1954
Taxes sold to Town, current fiscal year	\$845.58			
Balance April 1, 1958		\$895.25	\$168.68	\$53.09
Int. and Costs at time of redemption	2.00	32.83	18.48	15.90
Total Debits	\$847.58	\$928.08	\$187.16	\$68.99
Remittances to Treasurer	\$248.43	\$424.55	\$132.57	\$61.04
Unredeemed	599.15	503.53	54.59	7.95
Total Credits	\$847.58	\$928.08	\$187.16	\$68.99

**Unredeemed from Sales Account of Levies:**

	1957	1956	1955	1954
*Kelly, Michael & M. L.		\$ 59.42		
*LaCasse, Leo	\$ 93.86	51.27		
*Robbins, Ronald				\$7.95
*Thompson, Archie	40.55			
*Thompson, John S.			\$53.16	
*Van Horn, James	17.45			
*Waterman, C. H. Heirs	322.19	280.60		
*Waterman, L. H.			1.43	
*Wylie, Helen	125.10	112.24		
	\$599.15	\$503.53	\$54.59	\$7.95

\* Plus Interest and Costs



### Summary of Remittances to Treasurer

1958	Property	\$194,917 80
	Poll	1,422 00
	Overpayment, Property and Polls	14 00
	National Bank Stock	134 80
	Yield	253 72
	Interest	40 96
1957	Property	14,501 54
	Overpayment, Property	04
	Poll	60 00
	Yield	115 20
	Interest	501 57
1959	Head and Poll	7 00
1958	Head	4,490 00
	Overpayment	10 00
	Penalties	9 00
1957	Head	195 00
	Penalties	19 50
	Redemptions	797 38
	Redemptions Interest and Costs	69 21
		\$217,558 72

ISABEL M. CONRAD,  
Tax Collector.

### REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

	Dr.	
Cash on hand January 1, 1958		\$131,282 54
Received from all sources		\$325,691 45
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Payments		\$371,384 51
Cash on hand December 31, 1958		\$ 85,589 48

SAMUEL G. PROCTOR,  
Town Treasurer.

## RECEIPTS

**Current Revenue:****From Local Taxes:**

1. Property taxes, current year, 1958	\$194,917 80
2. Poll taxes, current yr., '58	1,422 00
3. Nat'l bank stock taxes, '58	134 80
4. Yield taxes, 1958	253 72
5. State Head taxes at \$5, 1958	4,490 00
6. Total Current Year's Taxes collected and remitted	\$201,218 32
7. Property taxes and yield taxes, previous years	26,178 76
8. Poll taxes, previous years	288 00
9. State Head taxes at \$5, previous years	1,000 00
10. Interest received on taxes	657 32
11. Penalties on State Head Taxes	108 50
12. Tax sales redeemed	866 59
Overpayments	24 04
Payment in advance	7 00

**From State:**

(a) For Town Road Aid	6,288 86
14. Interest and dividends tax	17,167 38
15. Railroad tax	340 73
16. Savings bank tax and Building and Loan Association tax	238 27
17. Reimbursement a/c State and Federal forest lands	49 49
20. Fighting forest fires	138 48
22. Reimbursement a/c old age assistance	1,465 61

**From Local Sources, Except Taxes:**

Police	182 50
Officers' expense	23 50

**PAYMENTS**

**For Year Ending December 31, 1958**

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**PAYMENTS**

**Current Maintenance Expenses:**

**General Government:**

1. Town officers' salaries	\$ 2,793 40
2. Town officers' expenses	3,976 70
3. Election and registration expenses	549 11
4. Municipal court expenses	200 00
5. Expenses town hall and other town bldgs.	5,873 57

**Protection of Persons and Property:**

6. Police department	9,673 59
7. New Fire Station	71,826 00
8. Fire department, including forest fires	8,829 00
9. Moth extermination—Blister Rust and Care of Trees	497 07
Livesey Fund, care of trees	30 52
10. Planning and Zoning	8 00
11. Damage by dogs	60 28
12. Insurance	757 24
13. Civil Defense	100 70

**Health:**

14. Health dept., including hospitals	1,843 64
15. Vital statistics	56 75
16. Sewer maintenance	825 35
17. Town dumps and garbage removal	331 75

**Highways and Bridges:**

Bridges	622 48
19. Town maintenance: (summer \$12,961.68) (winter \$14,368.29)	27,329 97
20. Street lighting	2,963 04
21. General resurfacing	8,576 00

**Libraries:**

22. Libraries	1,500 00
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## RECEIPTS

Histories	120 00
Health	438 00
Jail	2,500 00
Dog licenses	660 20
Poor	10 00
25. Business licenses, permits and filing fees	60 50
26. Fire alarm	500 00
27. Rent of town property	863 00
28. Interest — Cemetery annual care	707 85
29. Income from trust funds	1,819 00
Sidewalk repair	91 00
30. Income from departments	1,466 59
31. Income from parking meters	965 40
32. Income from municipal water and electric departments	12,791 97
33. Registration of motor vehicles, 1957 permits	107 77
Registration of motor vehicles, 1958 permits	11,170 92
<b>Receipts Other than Current Revenue:</b>	
34. Temporary loans in antici- pation of taxes during year	\$35,000 00
37. Insurance adjustments	91 72
40. New Trust Funds received during year	1,050 00
Deduction from employees	3,343 60
Total Receipts other than Current Revenue	39,485 32
Total Receipts from All Sources	\$330,000 45
Cash on Hand, January 1, 1958	131,282 54
Grand Total	\$461,282 99

**PAYMENTS**

**For Year Ending December 31, 1958**

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**PAYMENTS**

<b>Public Welfare:</b>		
23. Old age assistance		3,564 58
24. Town poor		600 53
<b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>		
26. Memorial Day and Veteran's Association		300 00
<b>Recreation:</b>		
28. Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts		2,009 70
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>		
29. Municipal water and electric depts.		6,261 23
30. Cemeteries, including hearse hire		5,028 08
31. Hydrants		2,100 00
<b>Unclassified:</b>		
33. Monadnock Region Association		291 00
34. Taxes bought by town		845 58
35. Discounts, abatements and refunds		480 20
36. Payment to State a/c Yield Tax Debt Retirement		104 63
37. Employees' Retirement and Social Sec.		2,474 70
<b>Interest:</b>		
38. Paid on temporary loans in anticipa- tion of taxes	\$ 428 81	
39. Paid on long term notes	3,235 11	
Total Interest Payments	-----	3,663 92
<b>Outlay for New Construction, Equip. &amp; Perm. Improve.:</b>		
44. Cemetery water line	\$800 00	
46. Sidewalk repair	433 68	
49. New equipment (highway)	998 00	
Total Outlay Payments	-----	2,231 68

**PAYMENTS**                      **For Year Ending December 31, 1958**

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**PAYMENTS**

<b>Indebtedness:</b>	
Internal Revenue	\$4,010 50
51. Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	35,000 00
52. Payments on long term notes	15,000 00
55. Payments to trustees of trust funds	900 00
Total Indebtedness Payments	----- 50,900 00
<b>Payments to Other</b>	
<b>Governmental Divisions:</b>	
56. State head taxes paid State Treas. (1958 taxes \$4490.00) (Prior Years \$479.50)	\$ 4,969 50
57. Taxes paid to County	16,135 83
59. Payments to School Districts (1957 tax \$45,497.66) (1958 tax \$75,000.00)	120,497 66
Total Payments to Other	-----
Governmental Divisions	141,602 99
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Total Payments for all Purposes	\$375,693 51
Cash on hand December 31, 1958	85,589 48
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Grand Total	\$461,282 99

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

### Detail 1. Town Officers' Salaries:

Appropriation \$3200; Expended \$2793.40

#### Selectmen:

C. O. McGettigan, Jr.	\$500 00	
F. C. Nelson	400 00	
J. L. Sheldon	400 00	
	-----	\$1,300 00

#### Tax Collectors:

E. D. Stevens	\$188 40	
I. M. Conrad	700 00	
	-----	888 40

Treasurer, S. G. Proctor		200 00
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Overseer of Public Welfare, C. O. McGettigan, Jr.		150 00
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Town Clerk, K. R. Dunham		100 00
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Trustee of Trust Funds, F. Howard Bardol		75 00
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#### Auditors:

J. H. Hutchinson	\$40 00	
G. E. Testa	40 00	
	-----	80 00

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\$2,793 40

### Detail 2. Town Officers' Expenses:

Appropriation \$3930; Expended \$3976.70

Receipts: Refund electricity \$18.68

Maps and telephone 4.40

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\$23.08

Town Reports	\$952 00
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Commissions	649 89
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Clerical	714 00
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Expenses and dues	651 47
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Audit	293 20
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Supplies and postage	227 55
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Christmas tree	66 59
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Telephone	133 80	
Bonds	288 20	
	-----	\$3,976 70

**Detail 3. Elections and Registration:**

Appropriation \$600.00; Expended \$549.11

Receipts: Filing fees, \$8.00

Moderator, Fred J. Wilkinson		\$ 97 50
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Ballot Clerks:

E. H. Jarest	\$41 00	
M. A. Forbush	41 00	
M. A. Gibbons	41 00	
E. W. Wheeler	41 00	

Counters:

	-----	164 00
B. L. Putnam	\$12 50	
C. W. Jowders	9 50	
E. Lamminen	5 00	
E. L. French	9 00	
	-----	36 00

Supervisors:

C. W. Jowders	25 00	
E. Lamminen	25 00	
E. L. French	25 00	
	-----	75 00

	-----	\$372 50
Checklists and Ballots		95 00
Lunches		77 10
Expenses		4 51
	-----	\$549 11

**Detail 4. Municipal Court:**

Appropriation \$200.00; Expended \$200.00

Paid Judge C. B. Sullivan		\$200 00
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**Detail 5. Town Hall:**

Appropriation	\$5,500.00; Expended	\$5,873.57	
Receipts: Rents from C. W. Jowders		\$863.00	
Janitor's salary, C. W. Jowders		\$2,340	00
Fuel		1,564	61
Painting office		363	85
Repairs		455	51
Insurance		485	97
Electricity		454	64
Supplies		208	99
		-----	\$5,873 57

**Detail 6. Police Department:**

Appropriation	\$9,844.00; Expended	\$9,673.59	
Receipts: Bicycle Plates		\$ 80	50
High School		102	00
		-----	\$182 50
Salaries:			
R. O. Wiggin, chief		\$2,561	68
O. A. Nilsen		3,410	00
A. L. Keilig, former chief		840	00
J. J. Pelletier		318	50
A. W. Tucker		272	50
V. B. Edwards		260	75
J. J. McGettigan		221	00
Rockwood, Morton		82	62
Supplies:		\$137	58
Electric Blinker		37	80
Cruiser, maintenance		676	06
Rent and Electricity		105	00
Telephone		15	10
Insurance, \$100 deductible		185	91
Expenses		43	57
Radio expense		182	49
Uniforms		124	49
Marker		152	00
Bicycle Plates		46	54
		-----	\$9,673 59

**Detail 7. Fire Department:**

Appropriation \$9,223.40; Expended \$8,829.00

Receipts:

Fire Alarm, Lyndeboro	\$500 00
State Treas., Forest Fires & Training meeting	\$159 07

Pay Roll:

W. B. Berube, chief	\$ 236 00
F. W. Edwards, assistant chief	126 00
Wm. W. Cleaves, assistant chief	127 50
E. R. Hutchinson, janitor	325 75
3 Captains at \$80.00	240 00
27 Regular men at \$75.00	2,025 00
Still Alarms and shoveling hydrants	140 53
Insurance	1,084 28
Electricity	225 18
Gas	80 68
Fuel	296 99
Supplies and Maintenance	640 93
Radio	30 00
Fire Alarm	1,814 00
Telephone	119 86
Training	39 55
Hose Rack	374 12
Moving Fire Alarm	229 20
New Equipment	415 84
Pump – Tank Truck	257 59
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	\$8,829 00

**Detail 8. New Fire Station: \$71,826 00**

Paid to Abbott Machine Co. \$71,826 00

**Detail 9. Care of Trees:**

Appropriation \$500.00; Expended \$497.07

Pay Roll	\$488 92
Supplies	8 15
	-----
	\$497 07

Livesey Fund:

Carried Over \$30.52; Expended \$30.52

Pay Roll		\$30 52
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		\$527 59

**Detail 10. Zoning:**

Expended \$8.00

Typing		\$8 00
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**Detail 11. Damage by Dogs:**

Appropriation \$175.00; Expended \$60.28

Commissions	\$26 60	
Supplies	33 68	
	<hr/>	\$60 28

**Detail 12. Insurance:**

Appropriation \$700.00; Expended \$757.24

Paid H. D. Cheever Agency		\$757 24
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**Detail 13. Civil Defense:**

Appropriated \$100.00; Expended \$100.73

Helmets	\$23 70	
C. D. Auto Plates	11 80	
Radio repair	39 33	
Cards and Printing	15 50	
Telephone	6 40	
Postage	4 00	
	<hr/>	\$100 73

**Detail 14. Health Department:**

Appropriation \$1,900.00; Expended \$1,843.64

Receipts: Mrs. Howard R.N. \$ 438 00

Mrs. M. R. Howard R.N.	\$1,711 00	
Dr. R. P. Galloway,		
Health Officer	100 00	
Supplies	32 64	
	<hr/>	\$1,843 64

**Detail 15. Vital Statistics:**

Carried Over \$93.50; Expended \$56.75  
Commissions, K. R. Dunham \$56 75

**Detail 16. Sewer Maintenance:**

Appropriation \$1,200.00; Expended \$825.35  
Labor \$641 20  
Supplies 184 15  
----- \$825 35

**Detail 17. Town Dump:**

Appropriation \$450.00; Expended \$331.75  
Labor \$235 85  
Supplies 95 90  
----- \$331 75

**Bridges:**

Appropriation \$500.00; Expended \$622.48  
Labor \$288 20  
Equipment 334 28  
----- \$622 48

**Detail 19. Summer Maintenance:**

Appropriated \$12,700.00; Expended \$12,961.68  
Receipts: From L. A. Gibbons \$718 41  
Labor \$8,471 84  
Truck Hire 806 21  
Gas and Oil 815 62  
Fuel Oil 41 94  
Repairs and parts 913 72  
Tires 309 53  
Equipment 653 13  
Telephone 54 00  
Lights 42 70  
Culverts 280 93  
Insurance 501 26  
Gravel 70 80  
----- \$12,961 68

**Winter Maintenance:**

Appropriation \$12,700.00; Expended \$14,368.29

Receipts: From L. A. Gibbons \$612 68

Labor	\$7,607 25	
Truck Hire	2,050 45	
Gas and Oil	1,286 15	
Fuel Oil	248 24	
Repairs and parts	1,157 86	
Tires	66 80	
Telephone	31 75	
Equipment	834 92	
Salt	997 10	
Light	75 47	
Insurance	12 30	
	-----	\$14,368 29

**Detail 20. Street Lighting:**

Appropriation \$2,925.00; Expended \$2,963.04

Paid Public Service Co. of N. H. \$2,963 04

**Detail 21. Resurfacing:**

Appropriation \$8,340.00; Expended \$8,576.00

Receipts: From L. A. Gibbons \$135 50

Labor and Truck Hire	\$2,723 20	
Asphalt	3,423 50	
Sand	657 59	
Equipment	276 67	
Cold Patch	651 09	
Chlorids	601 35	
Gas and Oil	242 60	
	-----	\$8,576 00

**Detail 22. Library:**

Appropriation \$1,500.00; Expended \$1,500.00

Paid J. E. Draper, Treasurer \$1,500 00

**Detail 23. Old Age Assistance:**

Appropriation \$6,000.00; Expended \$3,564.38

Receipts:

M. Dion Estate \$110 85

D. Lamy Estate	76 53
J. Tolford Estate	894 31
J. Goss Estate	240 60
L. Richardson Estate	48 25
E. Chase Estate	52 57
A. Smith Estate	42 50

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\$1,465 61

Paid N. H. Public Welfare Dept. \$3,564 38

**Detail 24. Town Poor:**

Appropriation \$3,500.00; Expended \$600.53

Receipts: Refunds \$10 00

Paid on order of Overseer of Public Welfare \$600 53

**Detail 25. Memorial Day:**

Appropriation \$300.00; Expended \$300.00

Paid R. J. Stanton, Treas. Bent-Burke Post \$300 00

**Detail 28. Parks and Playgrounds:**

Appropriation \$2,025.00; Expended \$2,009.70

Pay Roll \$ 964 70

Youth Center 1,000 00

Gas and repairs 45 00

----- \$2,009 70

**Detail 30. Cemeteries:**

Appropriation \$4,500.00; Expended \$5,028.08

Receipts: Trust Funds \$1,819 00

Annual Care and Sale of Lots 707 85

----- 2,526 85

Labor \$3,660 95

Supplies 903 87

Repairs 116 03

Road Vale End 264 30

Gas 63 13

Electricity 19 80

----- \$5,028 08

**Detail 31. Hydrant Rent:**

Appropriation \$2,100.00; Expended \$2,100.00  
Paid to Wilton Water Works \$2,100 00

**Detail 33. Monadnock Region Association:**

Appropriation \$291.00; Expended \$291.00  
Paid to Monadnock Region Association \$291 00

**Detail 34. Taxes Bought by Town:**

Paid Tax Collector \$845 58

**Detail 35.**

Paid for Abatements and Refunds \$480 20

**Detail 36. Yield Tax Debt Retirement:**

Paid State of N. H. \$104 63

**Detail 37. Social Security:**

Appropriation \$2,100.00; Expended \$2,474.70  
Paid N. H. Public Welfare \$2,474 70

**Detail 38. Interest on Temporary Loans:**

Appropriation \$500.00; Expended \$428.81  
Paid Wilton National Bank \$428 81

**Detail 39. Interest on Long Term Notes:**

Appropriation \$3,235.11; Expended \$3,235.11  
Paid Charlotte M. Abbott Trust \$3,235 11

**Detail 44. Cemetery Water Line:**

Appropriation \$800.00; Expended \$800.00  
Labor \$208 79  
Back Hoe 92 00  
Supplies 509 21  
----- \$800 00

**Detail 46. Sidewalk Repair:**

Appropriation \$500.00; Expended \$433.68  
Receipts: \$91 00  
Pay Roll \$433 68

<b>Detail 49. New Equipment:</b>		
Appropriation \$1,000.00; Expended \$998.00		
Paid R. C. Hazelton and Company		\$998 00
 <b>Detail 51. Temporary Loans:</b>		
Paid Wilton National Bank		\$35,000 00
 <b>Detail 52. Long Term Notes:</b>		
Paid Charlotte M. Abbott Trust		\$15,000 00
Fire Station	\$5,000 00	
Fire Truck	5,000 00	
T.R.A.	5,000 00	
	-----	\$15,000 00
 <b>Detail 55. Trustee of Trust Funds:</b>		
Paid F. H. Bardol Trustee		\$900 00
 <b>Detail 56. Head Taxes:</b>		
Paid State Treasurer		\$4,969 50
 <b>Detail 57. School District:</b>		
Paid School Treasurer		\$120,497 66



## WILTON HIGHWAY REPORT FOR 1958

The year 1958 I feel we could have called an average year for Highway work with the exception of more snow than usual during the month of March, as well as heavy snows during the two previous months. On January 7th we had the hardest storm of some 20 inches and from then on until late in April there were a number of storms, most of which were from the north-east. A storm from this direction is most always costly as they last from two to three days. During the winter there was a total of 104 inches of snow which came as follows: January, 36 inches; February, 23 inches; March, 30 inches; November, 2 inches; and December, 13 inches for a total of 104 inches.

I do not see how under the present conditions of road maintenance the Town can get their Winter Maintenance costs for less than \$14,000 to \$16,000 depending on the type of storms and when they occur; whether they come on a weekend or during the week. You can usually plan on two storms a week from November 20 through March 20.

The Summer Maintenance this past year was about average, although we did not get any heavy showers or rain storms. During the summer months the usual routine jobs of cleaning ditches, grading, calcimining, cutting brush, repairing of culverts, patching of tar roads and many other jobs were done.

The resurfacing (or tarring) was done the last week of June and the last of September, using M.C. 3 asphalt on all the roads which were built by T.R.A. in 1957; also the new street to Abbot Hill Acres. Roads and streets resurfaced in miles were: McGettigan Road, 1.20; Pierce Road, .20; Goss Road, .60; Holt Road, .40; Marden Road, .30; Goldsmith Road, .10; Davisville Road, 1.30; Abbot Hill Acres, .30; Intervale Road, .80; Burton Highway, 2.00; Wilson Road, .30; Perham Road, .40; Pine Valley Street, .20; Howard Street, .10; Inter-

vale Street, .15; Mason Road, .10; making a total of 8.45 miles resurfaced; using a total of 27,105 gallons of M.C. 3 asphalt used on highway and private work.

For Bridge Maintenance this year, we put a new sub-flooring in the Moors Bridge leading to Marwood Davidson.

In closing, I want to thank my employees and all others who helped the Highway Department in any way during the past year. Your cooperation during storms and at other times was greatly appreciated.

LAWRENCE A. GIBBONS,  
Wilton Road Agent.

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST  
FUNDS – TOWN OF WILTON  
For the Year Ending December 31, 1958**

Balance of funds Dec. 31, 1957:

229 Cemetery Funds – principal	\$32,940 00
229 Cemetery Funds – unexpnd. income	1,330 95
Capital Reserve Funds – principal	1,771 26
Capital Reserve Funds – unexp. income	6,803 60
Isaac Spalding School Fund	10,260 00
Hattie Livesey School Fund	8,139 03
Hannah Howard School Fund	2,430 00
	\$63,674 84

Add Receipts Jan. 1, 1958 to Dec. 31, 1958:

A. H. Brian	\$ 150 00
E. Lyford	150 00
Em. Maki	150 00
R. Mallows	150 00
H. Sunval	150 00
C. M. Stuart	150 00
Income Spalding Fund	434 10
Income Livesey Fund	427 75
Income Howard Fund	172 30
Income Cemetery Fund	1,119 24
Income Capital Reserve Fund	198 04
Income N. E. Electric Stock	4 00
	\$ 3,255 43
	\$66,930 27

Deduct Expenditures and Adjustments:

Treasurer of School District	\$1,034 15
Town of Wilton, care of lots	1,819 00
Capital Reserve Fund (Police Station)	2,500 00
Adjustment value Gov. Bonds	610 15
	\$ 5,963 30
Balance of Funds	\$60,966 97

**STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT OF  
TRUST FUNDS – TOWN OF WILTON**

Cash in Wilton National Bank	\$	97
U.S. Government Bonds "G"	14,800	00
U.S. Government Bonds "E"	2,268	75
U.S. Government Bonds "K"	500	00
U.S. Government Bonds "H"	1,000	00
U.S. Government 2½ % Bonds	4,000	00
N. E. Electric Company, 4 shares	80	00
American Tel. & Tel. Co., 53 shares	8,180	03
Boston & Maine Railroad Bonds	1,000	00
Atchinson Topeka & Santa Fe R. R. Bond	5,000	00
Certificate Deposit, Wilton National Bank	1,500	00
Boston Fund, 317 shares	3,557	84
Massachusetts Investment Trust, 406 shares	2,515	66
Putnam Fund, 172 shares	1,684	43
Chemical Fund, 143 shares	1,638	36
Century Shares Trust, 120 shares	3,157	86
Broad St. Investment Trust, 344 shares	7,717	68
Eaton & Howard Balanced Fund, 113 shares	2,367	33

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\$60,966 97

	Principal	Unexp. Income	Balance
235 Cemetery Funds	\$33,840.00	\$ 25.04	\$33,865.04
Hannah Howard School Fund	2,430.00		2,430.00
Isaac Spalding School Fund	10,260.00		10,260.00
Hattie Livesey School Fund	8,139.03		8,139.03
Capital Reserve Fund	1,771.26	4,501.64	6,272.90

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\$60,966.97

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION  
Concord, New Hampshire

**Summary of Findings and Recommendations**

November 7, 1958

Board of Selectmen  
Wilton, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of an examination and audit of the accounts of the Town of Wilton which was made by this Division, acting under authority of Chapter 71, Section 27, of the Revised Statutes Annotated, which provides in part as follows:

“Audit on Motion of Commission. The (Tax) Commission may cause an audit to be made of the accounts of any city, town, school district, village district or precinct, as often as once in two years, or whenever conditions appear to it to warrant such audit.”

This audit covered the fiscal year ended December 31, 1957 and the period from January 1st to September 30th, 1958. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report. Also included is a Statistical Table presenting a Ten Year Statement of Indebtedness, Valuation and Taxes.

**SCOPE OF AUDIT**

Included in the examination and audit were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Municipal Court, Trust Funds and Water Department.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

*Comparative Balance Sheets — December 31, 1956 — December 31, 1957: (Exhibit A-1)*

Comparative Balance Sheets as of December 31, 1956 and December 31, 1957, are presented in Exhibit A-1. As indicated therein the financial condition of the Town changed from a Sur-

plus of \$12,315.45, to a Net Debt of \$55,766.12 during the year 1957.

*Analysis of Change in Financial Condition:* (Exhibit A-2)

An analysis of the change in financial condition of the Town during the year is made in Exhibit A-2, with the factors which caused the change indicated therein. These were as follows:

<i>Decrease in Surplus</i> (Increase in Net Debt)	
Long Term Notes Issued	\$107,837.00
Surplus Used for New Stoker	1,200.00
	-----\$109,037.00
<i>Increase in Surplus</i> (Decrease in Net Debt)	
Net Budget Surplus	\$ 17,355.43
Future T.R.A. Funds	23,600.00
	----- 40,955.43
	-----
<i>Change in Financial Condition</i>	\$ 68,081.57

*Comparative Statements of Appropriations and Expenditures – Estimated and Actual Revenues:* (Exhibits A-3 and A-4)

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1957, are presented in Exhibits A-3 and A-4. As indicated by the budget summary (Exhibit A-4), a net unexpended balance of appropriations of \$9,588.00, plus a revenue surplus of \$7,767.43, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$17,355.43. *Summary of Receipts and Expenditures:* (Exhibit B)

A summary statement of receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1957, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts, is included in Exhibit B. Proof of the Treasurer's balance as of September 30th, 1958, is indicated in Exhibit I.

*Statement of long Term Indebtedness:* (Exhibit G)

A statement of outstanding long term indebtedness as of December 31, 1957, showing annual debt service requirements, is contained in Exhibit G.

### AUDIT PROCEDURE

The accounts and records of all town officials charged with

the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited. Vouchers and cancelled checks were compared with supporting invoices and payrolls as well as entries in the books of record. Receipts were checked by source insofar as possible and totals of receipts and expenditures verified. Book balances were verified by comparison with reconciled bank balances made from statements obtained from depository banks.

## GENERAL COMMENTS

### *Indebtedness, Valuation and Taxes:*

Table I presents a ten year statement of Indebtedness, Valuation and Taxes. It will be noted that during the period from December 31, 1947 to December 31, 1957, the financial condition of the Town changed from a Surplus of \$14,600.68 to a Net Debt of \$55,766.12.

During the same period the assessed valuation of taxable property increased from \$2,389,258.00 to \$2,916,943.00 or 22%. The amount of the annual tax levy increased from \$91,986.43 to \$216,437.17 or 135%. Uncollected and unredeemed taxes at the close of the fiscal year increased from \$6,045.45 to \$27,958.91 or 362%.

The local tax rate increased from \$3.85 to \$7.42 per hundred, compared to the average tax rate for the State which increased from \$3.71 to \$4.96 during this period.

### *Changes in Balance Sheet:*

It is noted that two major changes were made in the balance sheet of December 31, 1957, which was filed with this office and which appeared in the printed town report. These changes are reflected in the balance sheet presented in Exhibit A-1 of this report, and are as follows:

- (1) Inclusion of unexpended balance of proceeds from Notes issued for Fire Station construction — \$68,987.00. This account was omitted from the statement of liabilities in the balance sheet as originally reported.
- (2) Balance of appropriation due School District changed from \$46,699.66, as originally reported, to \$45,497.66.

*Current Surplus:*

The current surplus (excess of current assets over current liabilities) increased from \$12,315.45 to \$28,470.88 during the fiscal year ended December 31, 1957, as shown herewith.

	December 31, 1956	December 31, 1957
	Dec. 31, 1956	Dec. 31, 1957
<i>Current Assets</i>	\$83,544.30	\$169,281.31
<i>Current Liabilities</i>	71,228.85	140,810.43
<i>Current Surplus</i>	<u>\$12,315.45</u>	<u>\$ 28,470.88</u>

*Conclusion:*

The provisions of Chapter 184 of the Laws of 1955 require that this report or the summary of findings and recommendations (letter of transmittal) shall be published in the next annual report of the Town.

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

Yours very truly,

HAROLD G. FOWLER, *Director*

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION

NORVAL D. LESSELS, *Auditor*

O. MAURICE OLESON, *Accountant*



DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION  
Concord, New Hampshire  
November 7, 1958

*Certificate of Audit*

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Wilton for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1957, and the period from January 1st to September 30th, 1958. In our opinion the Exhibits included herewith reflect the true financial condition of the Town on December 31, 1957, and the results of operations for the fiscal year ended on that date.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD G. FOWLER, *Director*

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING  
STATE TAX COMMISSION

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EXHIBIT G  
TOWN OF WILTON  
Statement of Long Term Indebtedness  
As of December 31, 1957

	<i>Fire Station Notes</i>		<i>TRA &amp; Fire Truck Notes</i>	
	3%		2¾%	
Amount of Issue	\$68,987		\$38,850	
Date of Issue	August 9, 1957		August 9, 1957	
Principal				
Payable Date	August 9		August 9	
Interest				
Payable Date	February 9 & August 9		February 9 & August 9	
Payable at	Charlotte Abbott Trust		Charlotte Abbott Trust	
Maturities — Fiscal Year Ending:	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
Dec. 31, 1958	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 2,069.61	\$ 5,000.00	\$1,068.38
Dec. 31, 1959	5,000.00	1,919.61	5,000.00	930.88
Dec. 31, 1960	5,000.00	1,769.61	5,000.00	793.38
Dec. 31, 1961	5,000.00	1,619.61	5,000.00	655.88
Dec. 31, 1962	5,000.00	1,469.61	5,000.00	518.38
Dec. 31, 1963	5,000.00	1,319.61	5,000.00	380.88
Dec. 31, 1964	5,000.00	1,169.61	5,000.00	243.38
Dec. 31, 1965	5,000.00	1,019.61	3,850.00	105.88
Dec. 31, 1966	5,000.00	869.61		
Dec. 31, 1967	5,000.00	719.61		
Dec. 31, 1968	5,000.00	569.61		
Dec. 31, 1969	5,000.00	419.61		
Dec. 31, 1970	5,000.00	269.61		
Dec. 31, 1971	3,987.00	119.61		
	\$68,987.00	\$15,324.54	\$38,850.00	\$4,697.04

**TABLE I**  
**TOWN OF WILTON**  
**Statement of Indebtedness, Valuation and Taxes**  
**Ten Year Period**

<i>Fiscal Year Ended:</i>	Long Term Notes & Bonds Outstanding	Surplus or * Net Debt	Assessed Valuation	Property Taxes Assessed	Uncollected Taxes	Unredeemed Taxes	Local Tax Rate Per \$100.00	Average State Tax Rate Per \$100.00
Dec. 31, 1947	\$ 4,000.00	\$14,600.68	\$2,389,258.00	\$ 91,986.43	\$ 5,975.11	\$ 70.34	\$3.85	\$3.71
Dec. 31, 1948	3,000.00	12,751.22	2,514,564.00	98,068.00	8,119.28	144.93	3.90	4.06
Dec. 31, 1949	2,000.00	8,019.97	2,601,799.00	116,040.24	14,991.52	187.46	4.46	4.31
Dec. 31, 1950	1,000.00	11,734.40	2,577,822.00	117,548.68	13,047.90	204.58	4.56	4.31
Dec. 31, 1951		5,959.69	2,815,636.00	127,266.75	16,886.89	262.86	4.52	4.35
Dec. 31, 1952	8,000.00	555.72	3,177,321.00	149,969.55	25,702.78	2,667.63	4.72	4.52
Dec. 31, 1953	6,000.00	4,831.20	3,018,273.00	149,706.34	18,964.43	463.56	4.96	4.48
Dec. 31, 1954	4,000.00	5,822.58	3,026,293.00	166,446.11	23,674.64	458.66	5.50	4.64
Dec. 31, 1955	2,000.00	5,894.58	2,841,555.00	185,837.70	23,474.91	345.62	6.54	4.66
Dec. 31, 1956		12,315.45	2,844,544.00	191,722.27	21,130.30	590.33	6.74	4.83
Dec. 31, 1957	107,837.00	*55,766.12	2,916,943.00	216,437.17	26,841.89	1,117.02	7.42	4.96

TOWN OF WILTON  
 Corrected 1957 Balance Sheet as of December 31, 1957

ASSETS

Cash		\$131,282 54
Capital Reserve Fund		8,574 86
<i>Accounts Receivable:</i>		
Estimated Railroad Tax	\$ 400 00	
Future TRA Funds	23,600 00	
	-----	24,000 00
<i>Unredeemed Taxes:</i>		
Levy of 1956	\$895 25	
Levy of 1955	168 68	
Levy of 1954	53 09	
	-----	1,117 02
<i>Uncollected Taxes:</i>		
Levy of 1957	\$26,835 15	
Levy of 1956	6 74	
	-----	26,841 89
<i>Uncollected State Head Taxes:</i>		
Current Year		1,065 00
Total Assets		<u>\$192,881 31</u>
Net Debt		55,766 12
Total Assets and Net Debt		<u>\$248,647 43</u>

LIABILITIES

*Unexpended Balance of Special*

*Appropriations:*

Fire Station Construc. — Note Issue	\$68,987 00	
School Tax	45,497 66	
Detail per Exhibit A-3	15,848 38	
	-----	\$130,333 04
Employees Deductions — Withholding Tax		666 90
Capital Reserve Fund		8,574 86
<i>Due State of New Hampshire:</i>		
Head Taxes — Uncollected	\$1,065 00	
Head Taxes — Collected, Not Remitted	66 00	

Special Yield Taxes	104 63	
	-----	1,235 63
<i>Long Term Notes Outstanding:</i>		
Town Road Aid	\$23,600 00	
Fire Truck	15,250 00	
Fire Station	68,987 00	
	-----	107,837 00
Total Liabilities		<u>\$248,647 43</u>

### TOWN EMPLOYEES SALARIES

L. A. Gibbons	\$1.85 per hour	\$5,215 55
M. W. Cuddihy	1.50 per hour	4,135 00
J. R. Holt	1.40 per hour	3,311 45
W. P. Lowe	1.40 per hour	3,484 90
D. R. McGettigan	1.40 per hour	3,303 95
R. P. Brochu	1.35 per hour	1,218 85
B. J. Brochu	1.25 per hour	711 25
J. J. Sullivan	1.25 per hour	614 50
A. E. Gibbons	1.25 per hour	540 05
A. L. Foster	1.25 per hour	575 00
A. J. Mallows, Jr.	1.25 per hour	555 10
R. W. Lorette	1.25 per hour	255 00
H. H. Gibbons	1.00 per hour	212 40
R. O. Wiggin	\$70.00 per week	2,561 68
A. L. Keilig	70.00 per week	840 00
O. A. Nilsen	65.00 per week	3,410 00
Special Officers: \$1.25 per hour for Town		
Special Officers: \$1.50 per hour for School		
J. J. Pelletier		\$318 50
P. L. Blanchette		39 75
V. B. Edwards		260 75
A. W. Tucker		272 50
J. J. McGettigan		221 00
F. J. Wilkinson		97 50
D. E. Rockwood		41 50
S. J. Morton		41 50

## REPORT OF AUDITORS

We have completed our audit of the accounts of the various town officers for the year ending December 31, 1958, and find them to be correct and in good order. During the year we also audited the accounts of the previous tax collector, when she terminated her stay in office as of March 31, 1958.

The records of the Tax Collector, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Judge of the Municipal Court, Trustees of the Trust Funds, Selectmen, Water Department and the Wilton Public Library were checked. The Town Officers' Bonds were also examined and found to be in compliance with the law.

The uncollected accounts of the Tax Collector and the Water Department were verified by sending individual notices to each debtor, this being the usual accepted practice.

Once again we extend our thanks to the town officers for the cooperation received during the audit. We also wish to thank Mrs. Elizabeth French for her assistance whenever we called upon her.

JOHN H. HUTCHINSON,  
GILBERT E. TESTA,

Auditors.

Town of Wilton, N. H., February 24, 1959.

**REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN**  
**For the Year Ending December 31, 1958**

The Gregg Free Library was open 148 days. A total of 22,583 books, magazines and records were borrowed. The total circulation of records was 896, an increase of 222 over that of last year.

We are glad to recognize a greater interest in the library, both among grown people and children.

The shelves are open to the public and the borrowers enjoy browsing around.

Adult borrowers are taking a greater interest in non-fiction. This year 4281 adult non-fiction books were taken out, an increase of 517.

We greatly appreciate all gifts of books, magazines and records.

During 1958, the Library received legacies of \$3,000 each from the Estates of Mrs. Hattie F. Clark and Miss Augusta W. Putnam. Both Mrs. Clark and Miss Putnam had in years past shown their interest in the Library by many gifts of books and publications. By these generous gifts, their interest in our Library will become a matter of record for future generations and an example of civic interest in our town that is worthy of emulation by others.

Respectfully submitted,  
MILDRED C. FRENCH,  
Librarian.

**WILTON PUBLIC AND GREGG FREE LIBRARY**  
**REPORT OF TREASURER**

**Receipts**

Cash on hand January 1, 1958	\$1,221 49
C. F. Blanchard Fund	260 59
George G. Blanchard Fund	40 78
A. H. Burns Fund	97 79
C. H. Burns Fund	95 12
James Day Fund	160 00

David A. Gregg Fund	945 11	
A. L. Keyes Fund	100 00	
Clara Lewis Fund	1,299 39	
E. A. Newell Fund	74 14	
George A. Newell Fund	56 00	
A. M. Pendleton Fund	437 95	
Elizabeth Proctor Fund	87 26	
George O. Whiting Fund	354 71	
Daniel Cragin Fund	2 85	
Donations	155 04	
Fines	236 97	
Town appropriation	1,500 00	
Hattie Putnam Clark Fund	3,000 00	
Augusta W. Putnam Fund	3,000 00	
Old Age Benefit Deductions	48 23	
Total	-----	\$13,173 42

#### Disbursements

Salaries	\$2,865 71	
Fuel	441 10	
Books	975 41	
Magazines	175 31	
Records	144 00	
Electricity	388 20	
Telephone	64 50	
Fire Insurance	193 83	
Building and Grounds Expense	724 57	
Supplies	173 39	
Miscellaneous	165 93	
Cash to Savings Accounts	6,000 00	
Total	-----	12,311 95

Cash on hand December 31, 1958	\$ 861 47
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J. ELMER DRAPER,  
Treasurer.



## MUNICIPAL COURT OF WILTON. N. H.

Received:

Total fines, fees and costs collected on criminal docket, including bail	\$1,093 00
Total fines received on small claims, including 4 writs of execution	66 41
Total fees received on entry fee of writs, including one writ of possession	12 00
Total judgments received by court for plaintiffs	82 47
Total received from sale of writs and copies	13 50
	\$1,267 38

Paid Out:

Paid fines to State of N. H.	\$558 00
Paid bail to Superior Court	100 00
Paid John M. Brant, services as special justice	10 00
Paid Wilton National Bank, service charges	3 67
Paid postage	9 37
Paid witness fees and travel	31 88
Paid C. B. Sullivan, justice, share of small claims	31 25
Paid to plaintiffs judgments received by court for plaintiffs	82 47
Paid sheriff's services	6 00
Paid Town of Wilton, N. H., to balance account	434 74
	\$1,267 38

Cases Filed:

Criminal docket	68
Small claims	25
Civil cases	20
Juvenile cases	none
	113

C. B. SULLIVAN,  
Justice, Wilton Municipal Court

## REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

Arrests:	
Criminal cases	6
Drunks	7
Motor Vehicle violations	75
Bicycles:	
Registered	227
Stolen and recovered	9
Complaints investigated	524
Domestic troubles	17
Doors and windows found open	81
Escapees apprehended	none
Juvenile investigations	32
Miles traveled, cruiser	19,080
Missing persons	9
Motor vehicle accidents investigated	46
Persons injured	7
Radio and telephone calls in and out	803
Safe keeping	4
Subjects, picked up for other departments	11
Tramps and lodgers	6

Former Chief Keilig resigned March 22, 1958. I was appointed as Chief of Police on April 14, 1958 and began my duties on April 23, 1958.

We are pleased to announce that the jail has been started and should be completed soon.

Happy to announce that Donald Rockwood and Donald Paro have been appointed as special police officers.

I wish to thank the Selectmen, merchants, State Police, members of this Department and townspeople for their fine cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT O. WIGGIN,  
Chief of Police.

## REPORT OF WILTON FIRE DEPARTMENT — 1958

Department answered 39 calls of which 18 were bell alarms; 21 still alarms; chimney fires, 11; flooded oil burners, 4; dump, 1; buildings, 12; grass, 6. automobiles, 2; hunting for lost child, 1; investigation of fires, 2; mutual aid, 6.

Estimated value of property, \$9,500. Insurance of property, \$10,300.

Damage by fire, \$5,259.61. Insurance paid, \$5,259.61.

Insurance of contents, \$2500. Insurance paid, \$2500.

We had one tragedy, Mrs. Doris Davidson, who was badly burned and died in a few hours. House and contents were a total loss.

We recommend for maintenance and fire alarm service, \$9,415. Forest fire, \$500.

I wish to thank the Fire Commissioners and the members of the fire department for their cooperation.

WILFRID B. BERUBE, Chief  
FRANKLIN EDWARDS, Deputy  
WILLIAM CLEAVES, Deputy

### You Can Help Prevent Forest Fires

Twenty-five percent of all forest fires in New Hampshire are caused from careless debris burning — brush, paper, leaves, etc. Most of them are started without the required permit from the local forest fire warden. The cost of extinguishing these fires annually runs into large sums of money.

According to law, responsible parties must pay the cost of putting them out. In addition, violators may be subject to court prosecution with fines running as high as (\$200) two-hundred dollars.

In the interest of fire prevention why not eliminate burning at home? Use your town dump. It has been set up for your personal convenience. It provides a suitable place for the disposal of dangerous inflammable

waste material and other useless items which accumulate around the home and local stores; brush, etc. cut on your property. Eliminate the hazard of burning yourself. It will be easier for you – personally and financially.

If, however, you do burn on your premises:

- 1. Secure a permit from your local forest fire warden – the law requires it.
- 2. Be sure to properly supervise your burning. Don't leave it.
- 3. Make certain your fire is DEAD OUT before leaving it.

Save yourself much possible difficulty.

Use your town dump.

Number of local fires	0
Number of acres burned	0
Number of permits issued	109

WINTHROP HANNAFORD,  
 District Fire Chief.  
 WILFRID BERUBE,  
 Forest Fire Warden.

**REPORT OF OVERSEER OF PUBLIC WELFARE**

Town cases paid on order from	
Overseer of Poor	\$600 53
County case	\$23 95

As in other years, a great many people are receiving aid under various classifications, including Old Age Assistance, Aid to the Needy Blind, Aid for Dependent Children, Aid for Permanently Disabled. None of these accounts go through the office of the Overseer of the Poor.

CHARLES O. McGETTIGAN,  
 Overseer of Public Welfare.

## REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

During the past year, as in other years, we have had to replace a great many services due to rust filling them.

Two new services have been added to the Abbot Hill Acres line.

This has been a bad season for freeze-ups.

We have had some beaver trouble but are gradually eliminating them.

LYNN W. POTTER,  
ROY W. SMITH,  
JAMES L. SHELDON.

### WATER REPORT

Dr.		
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1957		\$ 28 98
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1957		2,437 11
May water rents		4,687 16
November water rents		4,931 19
		\$12,084 44
Hydrants	\$2,100 00	
Abbot Hill Acres services	765 00	
Digging	77 20	
Refund on supplies	147 68	
Refund on labor	181 40	
Ins. on broken hydrant	439 97	
	3,711 25	
		\$15,795 69
Cr.		
Remitted to Treasurer:		
Water rents	\$9,080 72	
Hydrants, etc.	3,711 25	
	\$12,791 97	
Abatements		25 33
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1958		2,888 48
Cash on hand		89 91
		\$15,795 69

### Financial Statement

Maintenance		\$ 6,261 23
Cash paid to Treasurer		12,791 97
Due from Town Dec. 31, '58	6,530 74	
Due from Town Dec. 31, '57	14,476 33	
Total due from Town	-----	21,007 07

### Water Works Expenses

Office expense		\$ 544 11
New services		1,753 08
Electricity and insurance		149 48
Express and beavers		42 82
Chlorinator expense		514 61
Bleach		379 10
Hydrants		339 20
Repairs, services and mains		2,151 24
Meter expense		101 92
Supplies		385 67
		-----
		\$6,361 23

### REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

Children bitten by dogs	9
Delinquent dog taxes collected	30
Dog complaints	71
Killed by auto	9
Killing chickens	1
Ordered restrained or killed	7
Placed in homes	4
Returned to owners	11
Shot for owners	7
Outside calls to other towns about dogs	4

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT O. WIGGIN,

Dog Officer.

## REPORT OF WILTON CIVILIAN DEFENSE

I was appointed Wilton Civilian Defense Director in April, 1958, and proceeded to organize a staff and manning table of officers consisting of 50 members and wardens. Each member was instructed as to his duties in case of an emergency.

The staff has shown several civilian defense moving pictures to the general public and two for the school.

A Civilian Defense Police Course of eight lessons in charge of Corporal Smith of the State Police has been set up. This course will be completed January 14 at which time the members will receive a certificate, and at a later date, a badge to be used only in case of emergency or when called for by the Civilian Defense Director. Thirty-four attended the course.

We have slated the first two weeks in February for a Radiological course consisting of four lessons.

We expect to begin a Red Cross First-Aid Course very soon.

The test of December 7 went off very well.

We have received an Army Field Range which is Government surplus. This range has been loaned to us and is being kept at the Fire Station.

Regular meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month and we urge everyone to attend so they will be prepared in case of emergency.

It is hoped that we can have a Civilian Defense warning siren and two-way radio.

In closing I would like to thank the staff, wardens, State Civilian Defense officers and townspeople for their assistance and cooperation in this program.

W. W. ADRIAN,  
Civilian Defense Director.

## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WILTON TOWN NURSE

When a graduate, registered nurse is needed on a part-time basis, to give or demonstrate skilled care, in the home, your Wilton Town Nurse is available.

Nursing care includes:

Care of a new mother or baby.

Care and treatment of a patient during any acute illness or following an operation.

Care and health supervision of a patient with a chronic disease.

Hypodermic injections to a patient and instructions to any member of the family in administration of the hypodermic treatment.

Health guidance to the family for the care of the infant, pre-school and the handicapped child.

Four Well-Baby Clinics each year for Polio, Pertusis, Diphtheria and Smallpox inoculations as well as physical examinations to pre-school children.

### SUMMARY OF LAST YEAR'S ACTIVITIES

	Cases	Visits
Acute	11	109
Chronic	9	324
Post-natal	3	6
Health Supervision	3	13
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Total	26	452
Pre-school Clinics	92	191



## SYNOPSIS OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING March 11, 1958

The meeting was opened at 9:00 A. M., and as the result of a vote at that time the polls remained open until 6:30 P. M. Due to lack of time for counting ballots before the discussion of the warrant, the ballots remained locked in the ballot box until after the discussion.

The discussion opened at 7:30 P. M., with capacity attendance. The results were as follows:

Article 1: "Roberts Rules Revised" as to parliamentary procedure in the conduct of Town Meetings was adopted.

Article 2: The reports of Town Officers, Agents, and Committees were accepted as printed in the Town Report, except the Balance Sheet, said Balance Sheet to be corrected and printed in the Town Report for 1958. It was explained that changes were necessary in the Balance Sheet to comply with the procedure recommended by the Municipal Accounting Division of the State, but did not represent anything wrong on the part of the Selectmen.

Article 3: Free use of the Town Hall was granted for Memorial Day purposes.

Article 4: The Selectmen were authorized to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 5: The matter of real estate taken over by the town for non-payment of taxes was left in the hands of the Selectmen.

Article 6: It was voted to take this article up with No. 17.

Article 7: The tax collector was authorized to appoint a deputy or deputies.

Article 8: The tax collector was authorized to charge an additional twenty cents on each poll tax not paid before September 1.

Article 9: The sum of \$800 was appropriated for installing town water in the new part of Laurel Hill Cemetery.

Article 10: It was voted to convey a tract of land to the Wilton School District as stipulated in the warrant.

Article 11: The Selectmen were authorized to convey to the Hillsborough Mills by quit claim deed all the Town's right and interest in and to the Town Gravel Bank situated on the Perham Corner road.

Article 12: After considerable questioning and discussion it was voted to take the remaining \$1771.26 in the Capital Reserve Fund and the sum of \$728.74 from the unexpended income

from the Capital Reserve Fund for building jail cells and police station in the old Legion room in the Town Hall.

Article 13: It was explained that the changes to be made in the balance sheet made this article regarding surplus inexpedient, so it was indefinitely postponed.

Article 14: Due to the balance sheet changes, this article, regarding use of surplus for paying for the new fire truck instead of serial notes and bonds as originally planned, was removed entirely.

Article 15: Regarding appropriating \$2839 for fixing the wall and hot topping area at the old fire station. It was explained that this could not be included in serial notes or bonds, but could come out of taxes. It was voted to spend but not appropriate this sum.

Article 16: This article, regarding a Zoning Ordinance, caused very lengthy discussion. It was voted to take up the report as printed in the Town Report article by article, and this was started. There was strong opposition to the Ordinance, and after several unsuccessful attempts to defeat it, it was voted that the article be tabled. This was a voice vote.

Article 17: It was voted to discuss the articles of the budget individually. The complete budget as passed is printed elsewhere in this report. Under the town dump item, it was voted to approve the action of the Selectmen in moving the dump to the new location on Dale Street.

Article 18: A vote of thanks was voted for the Zoning Committee as an expression of thanks for their work. It was voted that at the 1959 Town Meeting the polls would open in the Town Hall at noon, and the discussion of the warrant would be held at 7:30 P. M. at the High School Auditorium.

The following officers were nominated and appointed:

Library Trustee: Roy Smith.

Auditors: John H. Hutchinson and Gilbert E. Testa.

Corders of Wood: J. Elmer Draper, Whitney M. Frye, Harland H. Savage, Burtus H. Wright.

Surveyors of Lumber: Left to Selectmen.

Surveyor of Masonry: LeRoy Tuttle.

A motion to have an independent audit of town accounts every second year was defeated.

The result of the count of ballots was as follows:

Selectman:

James L. Sheldon	337
Charles M. Abbot	255
Leo W. Soucy	99
F. Howard Bardol	1

Town Treasurer:

Samuel G. Proctor	630
Jean Eckhardt	1
Gilbert Testa	1
James Burke	1

Town Clerk:

Kenneth R. Dunham	636
Barbara Putnam	2
Elizabeth French	1
Samuel G. Proctor	1

Highway Agent:

Lawrence A. Gibbons	606
William Pelletier	4
James Tuttle	2
Frank Kimball	2
Marvin Cuddihy	2
Omer Shea	1
Philip C. Heald, Jr.	1
Harold Jowders	1
John Thompson	1
Roland Brochu	1
Stanley Hallett	1

Water Commissioner:

James L. Sheldon	584
Roy Smith	4
John S. Thompson	2
Norman Draper	1
Arthur Hodgen	1
Leo W. Soucy	1
Lynn Potter	1
Charles Abbot	1

Trustee of Trust Funds:

Earl W. Watts	614
Doris Boutwell	1

Parks and Playgrounds Commissioner:

George G. Draper	592
John Drayton	1
John Smith	1
Edward McCarthy	1
Fred Nelson	1
Roland Brochu	1

Shall the provisions of Chapter 171-A of the Revised Laws relative to playing games of beano be adopted in this Town:

Yes: 369

No: 234

A total of 696 ballots were cast.

## Marriages Registered in the Town of Wilton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1958

<i>Date and Place of Marriage</i>	<i>Name and Surname of Groom and Bride</i>	<i>Residence of Each at Time of Marriage</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Name of Parents</i>	<i>Birthplace of Parents</i>	<i>Name, Official Station, Residence of Person By Whom Married</i>
Feb. 8, Wilton	Donald David Draper Mary Florence Hamacher	Wilton Milford	42 39	George G. Draper, Sr. Hattie M. Washburn	New Hampshire New Hampshire	Larry Huntley Clergyman Wilton
Feb. 15, Canaan	Roy LaCasse Nancy Ann Monroe	Wilton Canaan Center	22 22	Franklin E. Barker Esther F. Cassidy	New Hampshire Canada	Rene A. Constant Catholic Priest Enfield
Feb. 15, Wilton	Fred Albert Dupell Mary Elizabeth Jarest	Milford Wilton	65 40	David L. LaCasse Sidney R. Monroe Edna Coutermarsh Alfred Dupell Julia Gonyea	New Hampshire New Hampshire New York New York New York	E. A. Murphy Catholic Priest Wilton
Mar. 29, Durham	Lawrence Albert Tighe, Jr. Mildred Heaps	Wilton Milford	23 18	Margaret I. McNeil Lawrence A. Tighe Ruth E. Burns	Prince Edward Isle New Hampshire New Hampshire	J. Desmond O'Connor Catholic Priest Durham
Apr. 14, Wilton	John Charles Adams Judith Ann Middlebrook	Coventry, Conn. Manchester, Conn.	20 18	Rose Mary Marchetti Charles A. Adams Gladys M. Schielke Win. E. Middlebrook	New Hampshire Vermont Connecticut Connecticut	Larry Huntley Clergyman Wilton
May 10, Milford	Robert Wayne Brown Faye Anne Beaulieu	Griffith, Ind. Wilton	21 19	Helen M. Lord Lyman O. Brown Mary R. Tharpe	Connecticut Kentucky Kentucky	C. W. Kreamer Baptist Minister Milford
May 19, Wilton	Thomas Joseph Phelan Lorna Jean Smethurst	Worcester, Mass. Hopedale, Mass.	21 18	Irene P. Perreault Thomas F. Phelan Raymond Smethurst Mildred F. Hoar	New Hampshire Massachusetts Massachusetts Massachusetts	Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton
May 24, Wilton	Cleveland Winslow Beard Rosella Hull Pelletier	Wilton Milford	38 34	Cleveland P. Beard Blanche Proctor William Hull Bessie Wheatley	Canada New Hampshire Vermont Vermont	Ralph E. Kyper Clergyman Wilton
May 31, Wilton	Ronald Joseph Glynn Carol Jean West	Medford, Mass. Wilton	24 19	Howard C. Glynn Mary J. Walsh James E. West Gertrude M. Young	Massachusetts Massachusetts Massachusetts Massachusetts	E. A. Murphy Catholic Priest Wilton

June 28, Wilton	Edward Daniel Jarest	Wilton	31	Alphege J. Jarest Margaret I. McNeil	New Hampshire Canada	E. A. Murphy Catholic Priest Wilton
June 28, Milford	Rita Mary Beauchesne	Sanford, Me.	30	Sinai Beauchesne	New Hampshire	George B. Higgins Minister Milford
July 5, Wilton	Warren Mercer Howe	Wilton	24	Deneige Hamel Ernest C. Howe	New Brunswick Massachusetts	Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton
July 12, Milford	Sandra Ann Came	Milford	20	Bernice Wentworth Guy C. Came	New Hampshire Massachusetts	H. W. Holder Episcopal Priest Milford
Aug. 9, Pembroke	Roger Edward Smith	Otter River, Mass.	23	Marion G. Crosby Fred G. Smith	New Hampshire Massachusetts	Quentin L. Hand Elder, Methodist Church Pembroke
Aug. 30, Wilton	Carol May Johnson	Gardner, Mass.	18	Helen Stearns Ralph Johnson	Pennsylvania Massachusetts	Arthur H. Bradford Congregational Minister Jaffrey
Sept. 13, Wilton	Charles Eugene Tuttle	Wilton	21	Sabena Kulczyk	New Hampshire	E. A. Murphy Catholic Priest Wilton
Oct. 3, Wilton	Carolyn Loretta Marshall	Milford	18	Dorothy V. Tuttle Fred W. Marshall	New Hampshire England	Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton
Oct. 24, Wilton	Howard Paul Jackson	Wilton	28	Annette E. Coolidge Howard P. Jackson	New Hampshire New Jersey	Ralph E. Kyper Clergyman Wilton
Oct. 25, Wilton	Sandra Ann Carr	Pembroke	21	Lydia D. Louis John S. Carr	New Hampshire New Hampshire	
	Maitlon Charles Rexford	West Lebanon	30	Elsie D. Connor Frank T. Rexford	New York New Hampshire	
	Virginia Tallarico	Auld	31	Grace Sargent Pasquale Tallarico	Italy New Hampshire	
	Walter George Lofblad	Wilton	27	Anna I. Butchelder Walter G. Lofblad	Sweden Wisconsin	
	Jeannette Emelia Leduc	Cumberland, Wis.	21	Alice C. Hamilton Aram W. Leduc	Rhode Island Rhode Island	
	Bruce Lyman Whitman	Wilton	29	Medora F. Lagasse Reginald E. Whitman	Canada Massachusetts	
	Beverly Ann Banks	Marlboro, Mass. Bolton, Mass.	22	Inez V. Estey Margaret E. Carville	New Hampshire Massachusetts	
	Robert Levi Rideout	Dorchester, Mass.	33	Robert L. Rideout Helen W. Eaton	Newfoundland Massachusetts	
	Marion Barbara Jones	Roxbury, Mass.	36	Clyde E. McGuire Ethel Griffin	Maine New Hampshire	
	Richard Arnold Whitney	Wilton	20	Edgar Whitney	New Hampshire	
	Irene Sharon Bourrasau	Derry	16	Edna M. Hall Alice G. Bourrasau	New Hampshire Vermont	

Oct. 25, Wilton	Paul Emile Brochu	Wilton	23	Alcide Brochu	Canada	E. A. Murphy Catholic Priest Wilton
	Martha Jane McGrath	Wilton	19	Albertine Duguay James H. McGrath Anna R. Martin	Canada New Hampshire New Hampshire	
Oct. 25, Manchester	Thomas Harold Dawson	Wilton	24	George V. Dawson	Canada	Joseph Rheau Catholic Priest Manchester
	Agnes Jeanne Auclair	Manchester	19	Dorothy H. Hughes Ovila J. Auclair	New Hampshire Canada	
Nov. 8, Wilton	Alfred Edmond Lavigne	Wilton	44	George Lavigne	Canada	E. A. Murphy Catholic Priest Wilton
	Edna Elizabeth Mallovs	Wilton	40	Hermeline Doucette Joseph Syrjala Hilda Pakkala	Canada Finland Finland	
Nov. 8, Nashua	Richard Clark Duggin	Wilton	19	Thomas J. Duggin	England	H. W. Steere Congregational Minister
	Beverly Lorraine Lynn	Manchester	18	Angelique Smith Charles A. Lynn	Maryland New Hampshire	
Nov. 26, Concord	Leonard Francis Mahoney, Jr.	Wilton	30	Doris A. Mason L'n'd F. Mahoney, Sr.	New Hampshire New Hampshire	Arthur E. Roby Justice of the Peace Concord
	Cynthia Frye Caldwell	Manchester	25	Veronica Dubriski Clarence F. Caldwell	New Hampshire New Hampshire	
Dec. 13, Wilton	Roger William Fontaine	Gardner, Mass.	21	Helena L. Haywood Roger A. Fontaine	Massachusetts Massachusetts	Kenneth R. Dunham Justice of the Peace Wilton
	Marie Anne Vincent	Gardner, Mass.	18	Alma Breau David J. Vincent Irene E. Cote	Massachusetts Massachusetts Massachusetts	

# Births Registered in the Town of Wilton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1958

<i>Date and Place of Birth</i>	<i>Name of Child</i>	<i>Name of Father</i>	<i>Name of Mother</i>	<i>Birthplace of Father</i>	<i>Birthplace of Mother</i>
Jan. 15, Wimpole Park, England	Nina Ella	Andrew C. Soucy	Sandra E. Calderara	Wilton	Brighton, Mass.
Jan. 19, Nashua	Corey Bradford	Leo H. Cheever	Marguerite Crosby	Nashua, N. H.	Wilton
Jan. 19, Nashua	Donald Andrew	Martin C. Young	Gertrude J. LaPointe		
Jan. 29, West Stewartstown	Christine Lynn	Edward D. Varney	Alberta G. Hall	Pittsburg, N. H.	Pittsburg, N. H.
Feb. 9, Nashua	Albert Joseph, Jr.	Albert I. Crement	Joan A. Fazekas	Easton, Penn.	Phillipsburg, N. J.
Feb. 12, Manchester	Annette Louise	Arnold S. Perrin	Jacquelyn M. Tucker	Lynn, Mass.	Boston, Mass.
Mar. 6, Peterboro	Jerald Paul	Vernon B. Edwards	Elizabeth M. King	Wilton	Brighton, Mass.
Mar. 28, Peterboro	Rebecca Hale	Richard H. Abbot	Phyllis A. Iotte	Cambridge, Mass.	Brockton, Mass.
Mar. 29, Peterboro	Roy	Arthur H.			
Apr. 9, Peterboro	Nancy Ann	Rigor-da-Eva	Mary R. Gannon	Brookline, Mass.	Cleveland, Ohio
Apr. 4, Nashua	Kingman Joseph	Herbert A. Parker	Evelyn I. Sayball	Marlboro, N. H.	Simsbury, Conn.
May 24, Nashua	Peter Gerard	Alva F. Wylie	Stella A. Rockwell	Beachmont, Mass.	Peterboro, N. H.
May 24, Peterboro	Earl Sherman	Emilien C. Pellerin	Ioan M. Colby	Wilton	Fitchburg, Mass.
June 9, Peterboro	Janice Louise	Clayton G. Hobbs	Ida E. Gillev	Norway, Maine	Francestown, N. H.
June 11, Peterboro	Jennifer Ruth	Charles G. Kennett	Wilhelmena H. Scholz	Medfield, Mass.	Roslindale, Mass.
July 2, Nashua	Daniel Peter	Roger T. Williams	Elizabeth A. Hefferman	Peterboro, N. H.	Sedalia, Mo.
July 30, Fitchburg	Melanie Jane	Howard W. Hunter	Elizabeth J. Stiles	Newton, Mass.	Boston, Mass.
July 30, Nashua	Debra Jean	Hobart G. Powers	Alice L. Blackwood	Nashua, N. H.	Fitchburg, Mass.
Aug. 18, Nashua	George Anthony	Kenneth R. Searles	Joyce M. Gilson	Vermont	Goffstown, N. H.
Aug. 19, Nashua	Ira Michael	Lawrence J. Willette	Helen M. Clapper	Wilton	Monroe, Mich.
Aug. 28, Nashua	Steven	Raymond R. Mahoney	Anderson, Jr.	Wilton	Nashua, N. H.
Aug. 31, Peterboro	Roy Andrew	Philip A. Iotte	Carol G. Clements	Manchester, N. H.	Syracuse, N. Y.
Aug. 31, Manchester	Matthew Louis	Paul E. Chabot	Nancy Abbott	Brockton, Mass.	Nashua, N. H.
Sept. 1, Nashua	Barbara Ann	Raymond C. Searles	Simone B. Miville	Manchester, N. H.	Manchester, N. H.
Sept. 6, Peterboro	Victoria Lilly	Girard E. Pfeil	Ioan L. Baldwin	Fairfax, Vt.	Hilo, Hawaii
Sept. 14, Nashua	Catherine Edna	John B. LaPonsie	Vivian G. Hieronymus	Garden City, Mich.	Hinsdale, Ill.
Sept. 22, Nashua	Jon Patten-Gill	Richard R. Tuttle, Jr.	Alice C. Kimball	Wilton	Wilton
Sept. 22, Nashua	Terri-Lee	Archie W. Thompson	Mona A. Hayward	Nashua, N. H.	Millford, N. H.
Oct. 4, Peterboro	Brian Jon	James W. Smith	Patricia A. Poisson	Wilton	Goffstown, N. H.
Oct. 16, Nashua	Diane Marie	Wilfred A. Leduc	Ruth J. Wilkinson	Nashua, N. H.	West Lebanon, N. H.
Oct. 30, Nashua	Bertha Alice	Roland R. Tetreault	Ruth K. Karnis	Rhode Island	Tenants Harbor, Me.
Nov. 2, Nashua		Daniel L. Cox	Jacqueline M. Lemire	No. Stratford, N. H.	Greenville, N. H.
			Alice V. Riendeau	Houlton, Me.	East Concord, N. H.

Nov. 4, Peterboro	Daniel Edward	Edward L. Goddu	Cecile B. Gregoire	Lowell, Mass.	Dracut, Mass.
Nov. 10, Peterboro	Pamela Jane	Philip F. Martus, Jr.	Nancy J. Small	Boston, Mass.	Gardner, Mass.
Nov. 12, Nashua	John Matthew	Marvin W. Cuddihy	Sarah J. Edwards	Antrim, N. H.	Wilton
Nov. 18, Nashua	Greg Lester	Lester W. Hutchinson, Jr.	Esther E. O'Donnell	Henniker, N. H.	Watertown, Mass.
Nov. 20, Peterboro	Bonnie Jane	Robert C. Adams	Ruth V. Greeley	New York, N. Y.	Wilton
Nov. 21, Nashua	Doris Cora	Russell J. Burden	Geraldine Robbins	Boston, Mass.	Wilton
Nov. 30, Nashua	Patricia Ellen	James R. Burke	Irene V. GrosLouis	Nashua, N. H.	Woonsocket, R. I.
Nov. 30, Nashua	Nancy Lynn	James R. Burke	Irene V. GrosLouis	Nashua, N. H.	Woonsocket, R. I.
Dec. 9, Nashua	Dale Robert	Charles R. Edwards	Georgianna S. Hanson	Everett, Mass.	Amherst, N. H.
Dec. 20, Nashua	Mark Allen	Richard E. Morell	Marthe D. Guertin	Milford, N. H.	Wilton
Dec. 21, West Stewartstown	Carol Louise	Edward D. Varney	Alberta G. Hall	Pittsburg, N. H.	Pittsburg, N. H.



## Deaths Registered in the Town of Wilton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1958

<i>Date and Place of Death</i>	<i>Name and Surname of Deceased</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Name of Father</i>	<i>Name of Mother</i>
Jan. 18, Nashua	Margaret E. Maher	65	William McGrath	Margaret McGuire
Jan. 30, Peterboro	Annie Emma Hurley	77	James Cooley	Mary Burke
Feb. 7, Nashua	Doris Mason Davidson	46	Perley J. Mason	Fannie F. Moore
Feb. 17, Wilton	Jennie Tolford	89	Marcus Lanpher	Jane Simpkins
Feb. 17, Goffstown	Felix Laliberte	75	Thomas Laliberte	Julie Legendre
Feb. 28, Nashua	Hattie Louise Clark	92	Jacob Putnam	Sarah Whitney
Mar. 11, Wilton	Edna J. Gilbert	71	Risdon Jones	Katherine Wilson
Mar. 11, Nashua	Luther G. Richardson	75	Joseph Richardson	Martha -----
Apr. 10, Concord	Carrie Blanche Burden	81	Charles T. Moore	Ella G. Herson
Apr. 10, Worcester, Mass.	Margaret (Teague) Landers	72	Patrick Teague	-----
Apr. 12, Wilton	Ruth Hilda Russell	69	Henry Balmforth	Margaret E. Bray
Apr. 14, Manchester	Carroll McCrea	75	John McCrea	Jennie Goodhue
Apr. 29, Manchester	Ovide Levesque	63	Cypron Levesque	Lydia Dumais
Apr. 30, Nashua	Rose Berube	63	Victor Martin	-----
Apr. 30, Nashua	Walter Arthur Putnam	54	Eldon Putnam	Lucy P. Gray
May 4, Nahant, Mass.	Maude A. Shattuck (Whipple)	80	Edward Whipple	-----
May 5, Manchester	John Sinclair Thompson	63	-----	-----
May 6, Wilton	Erland B. Lyford	75	Benjamin C. Lyford	Emma F. Judkins
May 7, Hanover	Marion Kimball Abbot	60	Stanley H. Abbot	Mary Kimball
May 12, Concord	Catherine Dugan	86	John Dugan	Bridget Quigley
May 26, Nashua	William Edgar Goodwin	0	Clayton Goodwin	Marilyn Townsend
May 29, Montour Falls, N. Y.	Mary E. Adams	99	-----	-----
June 1, Peterboro	Dolphus Medrick Gingras	77	Desire Gingras	Adelage Champoux
June 20, Goffstown	Harvey Mader	85	George Mader	Louise Armberg
June 24, Nashua	Wilderrick Liberty	79	Dennis Liberty	Zinada Jarest
June 25, Boston, Mass.	Robert William Mallows	48	Robert Mallows	Annie Henderson
June 28, Wilton	Henry Everett Fish	56	George H. Fish	Betty H. Gates
July 5, Wilton	Emil Nikolai Maki	63	John Maki	-----
July 13, Nashua	Annie G. Austin	65	Calib Goldsmith	Dorcas Blanch
July 28, Wilton	Margaret Jess McGettigan	88	-----	-----
Aug. 16, Wilton	Josepfina Sundvall	81	----- Jokela	-----
Aug. 16, Manchester	Margaret L. Parsons	77	John Fountain	-----
Aug. 18, Peterboro	George Harvey Frye	75	Elson D. Frye	Etta L. Parker
Aug. 31, Nashua	Almina (Julia) E. Smith	80	Samuel Foote	Mary J. Davis
Sept. 1, Nashua	Baby Girl Sullivan	0	Richard D. Sullivan	Ella M. Trombley
Sept. 2, Peterboro	Infant Girl Barry	0	Manuel J. Barry	Alice E. Hollis
Sept. 5, Concord	Byron Richardson	57	Mark Richardson	Mary Towns
Sept. 15, Peterboro	Hertha Hartmann Weisse	68	-----	-----
Sept. 28, Milford	Sherman LasCasas Barnes	64	Fred W. Barnes	Isabelle H. Robertson
Oct. 4, Nashua	Baby Girl Smith	0	James W. Smith	Doris J. Wilkinson
Oct. 14, Nashua	James Sheein	62	James Sheein	Elizabeth Andros
Oct. 27, Peterboro	Merton Emerson Haywood	67	Walter L. Haywood	Louise Townesend
Nov. 10, Wilton	John Edward Dolliver	80	Edward Dolliver	Sarah Wilson
Nov. 22, Hampton	Ovila Joseph Brochu	57	Alphonse Brochu	Mary Rousseau
Nov. 27, Wilton	Henry Charles MacLennan	22	Duncan C. MacLennan	Laura Feindell
Dec. 16, Peterboro	Mary Grace Frye	81	Harvey T. H. Frye	Abbie L. Folson
Dec. 16, Nashua	James Edward Dorson	1	Robert D. Dorson	Jacquelyn N. Davis

# SEXTON'S REPORT

## For the Year Ending December 31, 1958

<i>Date and Place of Death</i>	<i>Name and Surname of Deceased</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Cemetery</i>
Jan. 18, Nashua	Margaret E. Maher	65	Mt. Calvary
Jan. 30, Peterboro	Annie Emma Hurley	77	Mt. Calvary
Feb. 17, Wilton	Jennie Tolford	89	Laurel Hill
Feb. 17, Goffstown	Felix Laliberte	75	Mt. Calvary
Feb. 28, Nashua	Hattie Louise Clark	92	Laurel Hill
Mar. 11, Nashua	Luther G. Richardson	75	Laurel Hill
Apr. 10, Concord	Carrie Burden	82	Laurel Hill Ext.
Apr. 10, Worcester, Mass.	Margaret (Teague) Landers	72	Mt. Calvary
Apr. 14, Manchester	Carroll McCrea	75	Laurel Hill
Apr. 29, Manchester	Ovide Levesque	63	Mt. Calvary
Apr. 30, Nashua	Rose Berube	63	Mt. Calvary
Apr. 30, Nashua	Walter Arthur Putnam	54	South
May 4, Lynn, Mass.	Maude A. Shattuck	(Whipple)	80
May 5, Manchester	John S. Thompson	63	Laurel Hill
May 6, Wilton	Erland B. Lyford	75	Laurel Hill
May 7, Hanover	Marion Kimball Abbot	60	Laurel Hill
May 26, Nashua	Baby Boy Goodwin	15 min.	Laurel Hill
May 29, Montour Falls, N. Y.	Mary E. Adams	99	Laurel Hill
June 1, Peterboro	Dolphus Medrick Gingras	77	Mt. Calvary
June 20, Grasmere	Harvey Mader	85	Laurel Hill
June 24, Nashua	Wilderick Liberty	79	Mt. Calvary
June 25, Boston	Robert William Mallows	43	Laurel Hill
July 5, Wilton	Emil Nikolai Maki	63	Laurel Hill
July 28, Wilton	Margaret Jess McGettigan	88	Mt. Calvary
Aug. 16, Manchester	Margaret L. Parsons	77	Laurel Hill
Aug. 16, Wilton	Josephiina Sundvall	81	Laurel Hill Ext.
Aug. 18, Peterboro	George Harvey Frye	75	Laurel Hill
Sept. 1, Nashua	Baby Girl Sullivan	0	Mt. Calvary
Sept. 2, Peterboro	Infant Girl Barry	0	Laurel Hill
Sept. 28, Milford	Sherman LasCasas Barnes	64	Laurel Hill
Oct. 27, Peterboro	Merton Emerson Haywood	67	Laurel Hill
Nov. 22, Hampton	Ovila Joseph Brochu	57	Mt. Calvary
Dec. 16, Peterboro	Mary Grace Frye	81	South
Dec. 16, Nashua	James Edward Dorson	1	Laurel Hill

ROLAND P. BROCHU, Sexton.

WILTON  
School District Reports  
For the Year Ending  
June 30, 1958

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## SCHOOL DISTRICT OFFICERS

	Term Expires
Moderator, Mr. Raymond Batchelder	March 1959
Clerk, Mrs. Mary Kennedy	March 1959
Treasurer, Miss Julia M. Keey	June 1959
Auditors, Messrs. Gilbert Testa and John Hutchinson	March 1959

### School Board Members

Mrs. Elna Stevens, Secretary	March 1959
Mr. Raymond LaPonsie, Chairman	March 1960
Mr. David Wright	March 1961

### Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Kenneth A. Sargent

### Truant Officer and Custodians

Mr. Evan R. Day, Sr., Truant Officer and  
Chief Custodian

Mr. Earl Broderick, Assistant Custodian

### School Nurse

Mrs. Marion Howard, R.N.

### School Doctor

Edward Sheris, M.D.

### Teaching Staff

#### High School

Mr. Ira Stickney, Principal	Guidance
Mr. Salvatore Grasso	Social Studies
Mr. Nathan Silverman	Science and Math
Mr. Robert Bushey	Science and Math 7, 8, 9
Mr. James Smith	Mathematics
Mrs. Eunice Marshall	English and Languages
Miss Ruth Lange	Commercial and Girls' Coach
Miss Anne Callahan	Home Economics and Guidance
Mr. Ralph Dwire	Trades and Industries
Mr. Carl Shaw	English, Biology and Coaching
Miss Mary R. Hurley	Social Studies 7 and 8

Mrs. Elizabeth Hurley	English 7, 8
Miss Ethelyn G. Edwards	Choral Music Supervisor
Mr. Edward Hamilton	Instrumental Music

Elementary

Miss Florence Rideout, Principal	Grades 4 and 5
Mrs. Elizabeth Shaw	Grade 6
Mrs. Joanne Grasso	Grades 5 and 6
Mrs. Frances Pellerin	Grade 4
Mrs. Bertha Wells	Grade 3
Miss Nora Hurley	Grades 2 and 3
Miss Mabel Shea	Grade 2
Mrs. Lillian Cullinan	Grade 1
Mrs. Luise Desrosiers	Grade 1

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

1958-59:

School opens January 5, 1959, Closes February 20  
 School opens March 2, Closes April 24  
 School opens May 4, Closes June 12

1959-60:

School opens Sept. 9, 1959, Closes Nov. 25 (Noon)  
 School opens November 30, Closes December 18  
 School opens January 4, 1960, Closes February 19  
 School opens February 29, Closes April 22  
 School opens May 2, Closes June 17  
 Holiday: May 30

Teachers' Convention	October 15 and 16
Total Number of School Days	180
Total Number of School Weeks	37

# WARRANT FOR ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING

## The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the Town of Wilton, qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the seventh day of March 1959, at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state foundation aid fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

9. To see if the School District will vote to accept and adopt upon passage "Roberts' Rules Revised" as to parliamentary procedure in the conduct of all school district meetings, or take any action relating thereto.

10. To see if the School District will vote to authorize the use of the School Auditorium for Town Meeting, or take any action relating thereto.

11. To see if the District will vote to elect its officers by an official ballot and to adopt the non-partisan system as provided in Chapter 59: 73, 79-86 R.S.A.

12. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$400 to be used toward the purchase of uniforms for the School Band, or take any action relating thereto.

13. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to apply any unexpended balance in the Sprinkler Fund not to exceed \$803.04, as payment on the Sprinkler Serial Notes or take any action relating thereto.

14. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to make application for and to accept, on behalf of the District, any or all grants or other funds for educational purposes which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government or from the State of New Hampshire, or take any action relating thereto.

15. To see if the District will vote to authorize the Expansion Needs Study Committee voted at the previous School District Meeting to continue its investigation, or take any action relating thereto.

16. To see if the District will vote to petition the State Board of Education to become part of a Cooperative School District, of grades one through twelve, said Cooperative School District to include the present



districts of Wilton and Milford, and may include also one or more of the present school districts of Mont Vernon, and/or Amherst, and/or Lyndeborough, and/or Brookline, if said districts shall also vote at their 1959 school meetings to so petition the State Board of Education and shall be approved for inclusion by said Board in accordance with Revised Statutes Annotated of New Hampshire, Chapter 195 and to elect two representatives from the school district of Wilton, New Hampshire, to serve on an interim committee with like representatives from the school district of Milford and such other like representatives from the other participating district or districts as shall be chosen by said districts, to prepare a financial budget for the operation of the proposed Cooperative School District and to include in the organization warrant for such cooperative school district an article calling for an appropriation for the first year and to arrange for such other items of business as need to be acted upon at the organization meeting.

17. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to raise a sum of money not to exceed \$50,000 by the issuance of Serial Notes or Bonds in the name of and on the credit of the District in accordance with Chapter 72 N. H. Revised Laws, subject to any state or federal grants available in the future and applicable to this Article, for the purpose of erecting the proposed addition for Shop purposes to the present School Plan. Said Serial Notes or Bonds to be obtained on such rates or terms as may be deemed advisable by the School Board and paid off over a period of 20 years, or take any action relating thereto.

18. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$1,500 for the purpose of paying off the interest on the aforesaid Notes mentioned in Article 17 for the first year; \$200

for the purpose of insuring the proposed addition to the School Plant mentioned in Article 17; \$300 for the purpose of operating and maintaining the proposed addition to the present Plant mentioned in Article 17; \$300 for the purpose of equipping the proposed addition to the present Plant, mentioned in Article 17, or take any action relating thereto.

Given under our hands at said Wilton this 19th day of February 1959.

RAYMOND A. LaPONSIE,  
DAVID WRIGHT,  
ELNA D. STEVENS,  
School Board.

## SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATED BUDGET — 1959-60

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1959 and comparative analysis of expenditures:

	Expended 1957-58	Budgeted 1958-59	Estimated Budget 1959-60
<b>A. Administration:</b>			
1. Salaries of district officers	\$ 885.00	\$ 1,045.00	\$ 1,050.00
2. Supt.'s salary (local share)	1,822.29	1,371.00	1,633.05
3. Tax for state wide supervision	804.00	820.00	876.00
4. Salaries of other adm. personnel	1,538.40	1,797.40	1,848.05
5. Supplies and expenses	1,783.10	1,661.91	2,093.29
<b>B. Instruction:</b>			
6. Teachers' salaries	76,754.72	86,635.00	93,920.00
7. Textbooks and other instructional aids	2,956.12	1,965.00	2,355.00
8. Scholars' supplies	3,767.19	3,586.00	3,679.00
9. Salaries for clerical assistants	55.18	220.00	970.00
10. Other instructional expenses	603.35	452.00	465.00
<b>C. Operation of School Plant:</b>			
11. Salary of custodians	6,183.71	6,550.00	6,850.00
12. Fuel or heat	4,941.62	6,020.00	5,107.00
13. Water, light & other exp.	3,254.75	2,792.00	2,865.00
<b>D. Maintenance of School Plant:</b>			
14. Repairs and replacements	2,659.87	2,805.00	2,105.00
<b>E. Auxiliary Activities:</b>			
15. Health supervision	1,633.09	1,610.00	1,810.00
16. Transportation	8,050.00	9,500.00	9,925.00
17. Tuition: Elementary		300.00	240.00
18. Special activities	1,892.37	2,480.00	2,500.00
18a. School lunch	2,288.41	200.00	300.00
<b>F. Fixed Charges:</b>			
19. Teacher retirement (district's share)	4,237.67	4,404.44	4,799.16
20. Insurance, bonds, taxes and expense	2,428.18	2,638.39	2,694.85
<b>Total Current Expenses</b>	<b>\$128,539.02</b>	<b>\$138,853.14</b>	<b>\$148,085.40</b>

	Expended 1957-58	Budgeted 1958-59	Estimated Budget 1959-60
<b>G. Capital Outlay:</b>			
21. Land and new buildings	874.10	405.00	150.00
22. Additions and improvements			2,490.00
23. New equipment	3,107.31	1,400.00	2,050.00
<b>H. Interest:</b>			
25. Payments on principal	12,500.00	9,500.00	12,500.00
26. Payments of interest	1,214.75	984.25	1,098.75
27. In and Out Items:	1,937.61		
28. Adult Education:	36.00		
Total Amount Required to Meet School Board's Budget	\$148,208.79	\$151,142.39	\$166,374.15
Cash on hand June 30, 1958	3,489.08		

**I. Income of District:**

	Actual	Act.* & Est.**	Estimated
Balance on hand June 20, 1957 \$	211.97	*\$ 3,489.08	\$ 5,000.00
State Aid: Foundation			
Building	3,750.00	* 2,850.00	3,000.00
Adult education	180.00		
Trust funds	1,034.15	** 1,200.00	1,200.00
Tuition: High school	10,761.57	** 9,405.00	14,080.00
Elementary	4,435.83	** 3,440.00	7,440.00
Local taxation	127,527.66		
Other sources	1,643.61		
Rent		** 200.00	200.00
Miscellaneous	215.47		
In and Out Items	1,937.61		
Total Gross Income from All Sources	\$151,697.87		
Total Estimated Income		\$ 20,584.08	\$ 30,920.00
Total Estimated Assessment Required to Meet School Board's Budget	\$127,527.66	\$130,558.31	\$135,454.15

## WILTON SCHOOL DISTRICT'S BUDGET COMMITTEE RECOMMENDED BUDGET

	Actual Expendi- tures 1957-58	Adopted Budget 1958-59	School Board's Budget 1959-60	Budget Committee's Budget 1959-60
<b>Administration:</b>				
Salaries of district officers	\$ 885.00	\$ 1,045.00	\$ 1,050.00	\$ 1,050.00
Supt.'s salary (local share)	2,265.60	1,371.00	1,633.05	1,633.05
Tax for state-wide supervision	804.00	820.00	876.00	876.00
Salaries of other admn. personnel	1,538.40	1,797.40	1,848.05	1,848.05
Supplies and expenses	1,907.98	1,661.91	2,093.29	2,093.29
<b>Instruction:</b>				
High school teachers' & princ. sal.	25,735.20	31,442.30	37,480.00	35,450.00
Elementary teachers' & princ. sal.	51,019.52	55,192.70	56,440.00	55,585.00
Books & other instruc. aids, high	777.99	550.20	588.75	588.75
Books & other instruc. aids, elem.	2,208.13	1,414.80	1,766.25	1,766.25
Scholars' supplies, high	1,346.13	1,004.08	919.75	919.75
Scholars' supplies, elem.	2,514.45	2,581.92	2,759.25	2,759.25
Salaries of clerical assistants, high	20.98	61.60	242.50	242.50
Salaries of clerical assistants, elem.	52.20	158.40	727.50	727.50
Supplies and other expenses, high	305.91	126.56	116.25	116.25
Supplies and other expenses, elem.	297.44	325.44	348.75	348.75
<b>Operation of School Plant:</b>				
Salaries of custodians, high	1,546.09	1,834.00	1,712.50	1,712.50
Salaries of custodians, elementary	4,637.62	4,716.00	5,137.50	5,137.50
Fuel or heat, high	1,235.44	1,685.60	1,276.75	1,276.75
Fuel or heat, elementary	3,706.18	4,334.40	3,830.25	3,830.25
Water, light, supplies & exp., high	874.17	781.76	716.25	716.25
Water, light, supplies & exp., elem.	2,635.46	2,010.24	2,148.75	2,148.75
<b>Maintenance of School Plant:</b>				
Repairs and replacements, high	744.38	785.40	526.25	526.25
Repairs and replacements, elem.	1,925.97	2,019.60	1,578.75	1,578.75
<b>Auxiliary Activities:</b>				
Health supervision, high	415.89	450.80	452.50	452.50
Health supervision, elementary	1,217.20	1,159.20	1,357.50	1,357.50
Transportation, high	1,529.50	1,805.00	1,885.75	1,885.75
Transportation, elementary	6,520.50	7,695.00	8,039.25	8,039.25
Tuition, elementary		300.00	240.00	240.00
Spec. activities & spec. fds., high	570.34	694.40	625.00	600.00
Spec. activities & spec. fds., elem.	1,466.60	1,785.60	1,875.00	1,800.00
School lunch & special milk, high	632.21	56.00	75.00	75.00
School lunch & special milk, elem.	1,661.40	144.00	225.00	225.00
<b>Fixed Charges:</b>				
Retirement & social security, high	1,186.55	1,233.24	1,199.79	1,151.59
Retirement & social security, elem.	3,051.12	3,171.20	3,599.37	3,454.78
Ins., treas. bonds & exp., high	679.89	738.75	673.71	673.71
Ins., treas. bonds & exp., elem.	1,748.29	1,899.64	2,021.14	2,021.14
In and Out Items as per				
General Fund Book	812.90			
Adult Education	36.00			
<b>Total Current Expenses</b>	<b>\$130,512.63</b>	<b>\$138,853.14</b>	<b>\$148,085.40</b>	<b>\$144,907.61</b>

	Actual Expenditures 1957-58	Adopted Budget 1958-59	School Board's Budget 1959-60	Budget Committee's Budget 1959-60
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>				
Lands and new buildings, high	244.75	113.40	37.50	37.50
Lands and new buildings, elem.	629.35	291.60	112.50	112.50
Additions and improvements, high			622.50	585.00
Additions and improvements, elem.			1,867.50	1,755.00
New equipment, high	870.05	392.00	512.50	475.00
New equipment, elem.	2,237.26	1,008.00	1,537.50	1,425.00
<b>Total Capital Outlay</b>	<b>\$ 3,981.41</b>	<b>\$ 1,805.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,690.00</b>	<b>\$ 4,390.00</b>

<b>Debt and Interest:</b>				
Principal of debt	12,500.00	9,500.00	12,500.00	12,500.00
Interest on debt	1,214.75	984.25	1,098.75	1,098.75
<b>Total Debt and Interest</b>	<b>\$ 13,714.75</b>	<b>\$ 10,484.25</b>	<b>\$ 13,598.75</b>	<b>\$ 13,598.75</b>
<b>Total Expenditures or School Appropriation</b>	<b>\$148,208.79</b>	<b>\$151,152.39</b>	<b>\$166,374.15</b>	<b>\$162,896.36</b>

<b>RECEIPTS</b>				
	Actual Receipts 1957-58	Adopted Budget 1958-59	School Board's Budget 1959-60	Budget Committee's Budget 1959-60
Balance (actual or estimated)	\$ 211.97	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
State Aid (building)	3,930.00	2,600.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Federal Aid	1,643.61			
Trust Funds	1,034.15	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
High school tuition	10,763.57	9,405.00	14,080.00	14,080.00
Elementary school tuition	4,610.83	3,440.00	7,440.00	7,440.00
Other	1,976.08	200.00	200.00	200.00
<b>Total Receipts other than Property Taxes</b>	<b>\$ 24,170.21</b>	<b>\$ 18,845.00</b>	<b>\$ 30,920.00</b>	<b>\$ 30,920.00</b>
District Assessment raised or to be raised by Property Taxes	\$127,527.66	\$132,297.39	\$135,454.15	\$131,976.36
<b>Tot. approp. voted by Sch. Dist.</b>	<b>\$151,697.87</b>	<b>\$151,142.39</b>	<b>\$166,374.15</b>	<b>\$162,896.36</b>

**Special Appropriation to be Financed by Bond Issues,  
Serial Notes or Capital Reserve Funds**

1958-59 for Sprinkler System	\$12,000.00
1958-59 for Interest 1st Year	\$360.00

**BUDGET COMMITTEE**  
 J. ELMER DRAPER, Chairman  
 RICHARD R. TUTTLE  
 WILLIAM P. WHITING, JR.  
 GILBERT E. TESTA  
 ANNE M. GODLEY

LESLIE N. CENTER  
 JOHN K. WHITING, JR.  
 ROBERT STANTON  
 RAYMOND LaPONSIE  
 FRED C. NELSON  
 LeROY C. ROBBINS  
 Dated February 20, 1959

# FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1958

## Administration:

1. Salaries of District Officers	\$ 885 00
2. Superintendent's Salary (local share)	1,822 29
3. Tax for State-Wide Supervision	804 00
4. Salaries of Other Admn. Personnel	1,538 40
5. Supplies and Expenses	1,783 10

## Instruction:

6. Teachers' Salaries	76,754 72
7. Textbooks and Other Instructional Aids	2,956 12
8. Scholars' Supplies	3,767 19
9. Salaries of Clerical Assistants	55 18
10. Supplies and Other Expenses	603 35

## Operation of School Plant:

11. Salaries of Custodians	6,183 71
12. Fuel or Heat	4,941 62
13. Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses	3,254 75

## Maintenance of School Plant:

14. Repairs and Replacements	2,659 87
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## Auxiliary Activities:

15. Health Supervision	1,633 09
16. Transportation	8,050 00
18. Special Activities	1,892 37
18a. School Lunch	2,288 41

## Fixed Charges:

19. Teachers' Retirement (District's Share)	4,237 67
20. Insurance, Treas. Bonds and Expenses	2,428 18

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Total Net Current Expenses \$128,539 02

## Capital Outlay:

21. Lands and New Buildings	874 10
23. New Equipment	3,107 31

<b>Debt and Interest:</b>	
25. Payments on Principal of Debt	12,500 00
26. Payments of Interest on Debt	1,214 75

<b>Adult Education:</b>	
28. Other Adult Education	36 00

Total Net Payments for All Purposes	\$146,271 18
Cash on hand at end of year, June 30, 1958	3,489 08

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	\$149,760 26
In and Out Items	1,937 61

Total Gross Payments for All Purposes	\$151,697 87
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### RECEIPTS

<b>Federal Aid:</b>	
National School Lunch and Special Milk	\$ 1,643 61

<b>State Aid:</b>	
Building Aid	3,750 00
Area Vocational School (Adult)	180 00

<b>Local Taxation:</b>	
Current Appropriation	127,527 66

<b>Other Sources:</b>	
Elementary School Tuitions	4,435 83
Secondary School Tuitions	10,761 57
Trust Funds	1,034 15
Other	215 47

Total Net Receipts From All Sources	\$149,548 29
Cash on hand at beginning of year, July 1, 1957	211 97

Grand Total Net Receipts From All Sources	\$149,760 26
In and Out Items	1,937 61

Total Gross Receipts From All Sources	\$151,697 87
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## BALANCE SHEET — June 30, 1958

### ASSETS

Cash on hand June 30, 1958	\$ 3,489 08
Accounts Due District:	
Donald Draper, rent	25 00
Francestown School District	3 73
Wilton School Lunch	150 00
Lyndeborough School District	200 00
	\$ 3,867 81
Net Debt Over Assets	48,973 89
	\$52,841 70

### LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by District:	
Stani-Scientific Co.	\$ 357 01
Singer Sewing Machine Co.	117 25
Field Enterprises	425 00
Knowlton & Stone Co.	871 25
Edson C. Eastman Co.	22 95
Miscellaneous Books	48 24
Notes and Bonds	51,000 00
	\$52,841 70
Grand Total	\$ 52,841 70

## STATUS OF SCHOOL NOTES AND BONDS

Name of Building of Project for Which Notes or Bonds Were Issued	New Elementary	1st Addition	2nd Addition	Total
Outstanding at beginning of yr.	\$3,000	\$50,000	\$10,500	\$63,500
Payments of Principal of Debt	3,000	7,000	2,500	12,500
Notes and Bonds outstanding at end of year	\$43,000			\$ 8,000
				\$51,000

**REPORT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER**  
**Fiscal Year July 1, 1957 to June 30, 1958**

SUMMARY

Cash on hand July 1, 1957		\$ 211 97
Received from Selectmen:		
Current appropriation	\$127,527 66	
Received from State Treasurer:		
State funds	3,930 00	
Federal funds	1,643 61	
Received from Tuitions	15,374 40	
Received as income from trust funds	1,034 15	
Received from all other sources	1,976 08	
Total Receipts	151,485 90	
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year		\$151,697 87
Less School Board Orders Paid		148,208 79
Balance on hand June 30, 1958		\$ 3,489 08

JULIA M. KEYC,  
District Treasurer.

July 18, 1958.

**AUDITORS' 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 Wilton, New Hampshire, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1958 and find them correct in all respects.

JOHN H. HUTCHINSON,  
GILBERT E. TESTA,  
Auditors.

July 21, 1958.

## TEACHER CONTRACT SALARIES 1958-59

Mr. Robert Bushey	\$3650 00
Miss Ann Callahan	\$3750 00
Mrs. William Cullinan	\$3600 00
Mrs. Joseph Desrosiers	\$3300 00
Mr. Ralph Dwire	\$4150 00
Miss Ethelyn G. Edwards	\$2510 00
Mrs. Salvatore Grasso	\$3800 00
Mr. Salvatore Grasso	\$3750 00
Mr. Edward Hamilton	\$700 00
Mrs. William Hurley	\$3950 00
Miss Mary R. Hurley	\$3975 00
Miss Nora C. Hurley	\$3850 00
Miss Ruth Lange	\$3950 00
Mrs. Edward Marshall	\$3950 00
Mrs. Wilfred Pellerin	\$4050 00
Miss Florence M. Rideout	\$4300 00
Mr. Carl Shaw	\$4000 00
Mrs. Carl Shaw	\$3850 00
Miss Mabel Shea	\$3825 00
Mr. Nathan Silverman	\$3850 00
Mr. James Smith	\$3800 00
Mr. Ira Stickney	\$5600 00
Mrs. Alfred Wells	\$3825 00

## SCHOOL LUNCH REPORT

The summary below covers the receipts, expenditures, and balances of the School Lunch Program at Wilton for the fiscal year 1957-58:

Cash on hand July 1, 1957		\$ 53 04
Receipts:		
Lunch sales — children	\$6,493 78	
Lunch sales — adults	730 15	
	\$7,223 93	
Receipt of reimbursements,		
Federal Aid	1,643 61	
District appropriation	200 00	
District additional aid	200 00	
Borrowed from District	250 00	
Miscellaneous cash—other sources	624 75	
	10,142 29	
Available Total		\$10,195 33

### EXPENDITURES

Food		\$6,439 32
Labor		2,999 09
Equipment		16 08
All other		604 14
Total Expenditures	\$10,058 63	

Actual cash on hand June 30, 1958		\$ 136 70
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### Outstanding Assets:

Due from other School Lunch Programs in the Union		\$ 50 37
Cash on hand June 30, 1958		136 70

		\$187 07
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### Outstanding Liabilities:

Wilton School District Loan		\$250 00
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Social Security paid by District	76 98
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Total Liabilities	\$326 98
Total Assets	187 07
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Total Deficit	\$139 91

Wilton School District cancelled the additional \$200.00 received to help defray current expenses. However, \$250.00 is still owing on the loan.

It seems proper that you should be made aware of the reasons for the deficit in this account. Probably the main factor was less surplus foods, especially the higher priced foods, were received from the Government. Also the State did not receive enough Federal Aid for the Lunch Program in the State and more schools participated so that the final check for the year had to be pro-rated and Wilton received \$91.72 less than their claim for the month of May. Food stuffs cost more but prices of meals remained the same. Received no donations from interested parents or organizations to help pay for free meals to those who need the hot lunch and cannot afford to pay. This year this situation is being relieved to some extent by the American Legion Auxiliary. Their donation is much appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

LENA DESTROISMAISONS,  
Treasurer School Lunch.

## SCHEDULE OF INDEBTEDNESS

First Addition — Original Amount \$64,000  
2.15% School Bonds — Dated Sept. 1, 1954-64

Date Due	Principal	Interest	Balance
			\$43,000
Mar. 1, 1958		\$462 25	
Sept. 1, 1958	\$7,000	462 25	36,000
Mar. 1, 1959		387 00	
Sept. 1, 1959	7,000	387 00	29,000
Mar. 1, 1960		311 75	
Sept. 1, 1960	6,000	311 75	23,000
Mar. 1, 1961		247 25	
Sept. 1, 1961	6,000	247 25	17,000
Mar. 1, 1962		182 75	
Sept. 1, 1962	6,000	182 75	11,000
Mar. 1, 1963		118 25	
Sept. 1, 1963	6,000	118 25	5,000
Mar. 1, 1964		53 75	
Sept. 1, 1964	5,000	53 75	

Second Addition — Original Amount \$13,000  
2% Serial Notes — Dated December 28, 1955-60

Date Due	Principal	Interest	Balance
			\$8,000
Dec. 28, 1958	\$2,500	\$80 00	5,500
June 28, 1959		55 00	
Dec. 28, 1959	2,500	55 00	3,000
June 28, 1960		30 00	
Dec. 28, 1960	3,000	30 00	

Sprinkler System — Original Amount \$12,000  
Serial Notes 3% — Dated July 9, 1958

Date Due	Principal	Interest	Balance
Feb. 8, 1959		\$180 00	\$12,000
July 8, 1959	\$3,000	180 00	9,000
Feb. 8, 1960		135 00	

July 8, 1960	3,000	135 00	6,000
Feb. 8, 1961		90 00	
July 8, 1961	3,000	90 00	3,000
Feb. 8, 1962		45 00	
July 8, 1962	3,000	45 00	

### STATISTICS FOR SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 23, 1958

School	Boys	Girls	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance	Total Tardinesses	Tardinesses Per Pupil
High School	75	60	133.9	123.3	92.1	92	3.1
Grade 8	16	18	32.7	31.0	94.6	44	1.4
Grade 7	23	24	43.4	40.5	93.2	3	.8
Grade 6	16	19	34.9	32.8	94.2	9	.3
Grade 5	15	12	25.8	24.2	93.2	4	.17
Grade 5	13	13	25.7	24.0	93.6	6	.23
Grade 4	15	9	25.7	24.2	94.2	2	.08
Grade 4 & 3	11	19	28.8	26.8	93.2	7	.26
Grade 3	12	14	24.8	23.0	92.9	9	.39
Grade 2	17	14	27.3	25.2	92.3	28	1.10
Grade 2 & 1	7	17	23.7	21.5	90.8	6	.28
Grade 1	18	14	32.7	29.2	89.4	20	.68

Visits by Superintendent: 118

#### PUPILS ATTENDING SCHOOLS ELSEWHERE

Parochial Schools Outside the District	7
Private Schools Within the District	33
Private Schools Outside the District	17

#### ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Ten consecutive years: Margaret McGettigan.

Nine consecutive years: Helen McGettigan.

Five consecutive years: Eugene Muzzey.

Three consecutive years: Betty Mudge and Michael Egan.

Two consecutive years: Donald Whitney and Mary Lee Hurley.

One year: David Abbott, Richard Lucas, Kenneth

Fletcher, Margaret Hodgen, Leo LaFrancois, Charles Hadley, Veronica Burden, Brenda Gilson, Richard Gilson, Dennis Markaverich, Richard Putnam, Walter Bausha, Harvey Cheever, William Edwards, Shane McGrath, Thomas Roy and Bruce Holt.

### GRADUATING CLASS OF 1958

William Jon Church	Allen Mallows, Jr.
Allan Lauren Foster	Cathie J. McHale
Richard D. Fulgoni	Eugene Lance Muzzey
Gardner W. Glover, Jr.	Constance G. Nadeau
Janet Irene Hall	Richard Donald Rockwood
Carole Ann Hussey	Richard Rudis
Mary Kaye Hutchinson	Maxine S. Russell
Claire M. Iotte	Barbara Schmidt
Martha Edwards Kinnvall	Caroline June Simpson
Ethel LaCasse	Peter Dean Testa
David E. LaPonsee	John W. Warner
Edward C. LeMire	David Carl Warren
Beverly Lorraine Lynn	

### STATISTICS FOR FIRST TWENTY WEEKS 1958-59

Census: (1 day to 18 yrs. incl.)	Boys 337; Girls 332; Total 669.
Attending Wilton Public Schools	434
Attending Parochial Schools Outside the District	2
Attending Private Schools Within the District	15
Attending Private Schools Outside the District	11

### ENROLLMENT BY GRADES

School	Total	Average Membership	Average Attendance	Percent of Attendance
High School	133	134.9	127.4	94.5
Grade 8	41	39.9	38.0	95.2
Grade 7	42	43.2	41.5	96.0
Grade 6	53	34.27	32.33	94.35
Grade 5 & 6	31	31.00	29.71	95.84
Grade 5 & 4	31	30.93	29.52	95.45
Grade 4	33	33.00	31.95	96.82
Grade 3	29	27.68	26.22	93.64
Grade 3 & 2	31	31.72	30.45	95.99
Grade 2	30	29.55	27.34	92.52
Grade 1	23	23.00	21.08	93.99
Grade 1	23	24.71	22.62	91.54



## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board and Citizens of Wilton:

I respectfully submit my second annual report as your Superintendent of Schools.

### Staff and Instruction

The Wilton Schools opened this Fall with two changes in staff and one additional teacher. Mrs. James Smith of Wilton, teacher of Grade 5, was replaced by Mrs. Salvatore Grasso, a graduate of Keene Teachers College, who had had three years of elementary teaching experience in the Manchester school system. Mrs. Grasso is now teaching grades five and six. Mr. Gerald Hoff who taught sciences at the High School level for the past year resigned his position to go into the Service, and was replaced by Mr. Nathan Silverman of Newport, N. H., a graduate of the University of New Hampshire, with additional courses in Education. Due to increased enrollments, and a need for expansion of the curriculum, it was necessary to add one additional teacher to the staff for the current year. Mr. Robert Bushey of Groveton, N. H. was hired to fill this position. Mr. Bushy is a graduate of Keene Teachers College in 1956 and has spent the past two years in the Service. The remainder of the complete staff has remained intact and thus maintained the continuity of instruction that so many schools as well as our own desire. Through the continuity of instruction over the years, it has been possible to provide the children of Wilton with a fine education.

The following is a list of the teachers on the staff as they exist today:

Mrs. Joseph Desrosiers of Greenville, N. H. was hired during the latter part of this year to fill the vacancy that existed when Mrs. Joan Pellerin found it necessary to resign. Mrs. Desrosiers has had training in Germany, but had not done any actual teaching

until this most recent experience. After a few adjustments were made in her teaching to fit the needs of American children and also to get acclimated to a new teaching experience instruction improved to a very effective level. Mrs. William Cullinan continues to teach grade one, Miss Mabel Shea grade two, Miss Nora Hurley grade two and three, Mrs. Alfred Wells handles a third grade class and Mrs. Wilfred Pellerin teaches grade four. Miss Florence Rideout continues as Principal of the Elementary School and teaches grades four and five, Mrs. Salvatore Grasso teaches combined grades five and six, and Mrs. Carl Shaw teaches grade six. At the High School level, the following general assignments and subject areas are handled by the following teachers: Miss Ruth Lange, commercial subjects, Mr. Salvatore Grasso, social studies, Mr. Nathan Silverman, science, Mr. James Smith, mathematics, Mrs. Edward Marshall, English and French, Mrs. William Hurley, English at the Junior and Senior High School level, Miss Mary Hurley, Junior High School social studies, Mr. Carl Shaw, English, biology and physical education, Mr. Robert Bushey, Junior High School mathematics and science, Mr. Ralph Dwire, shop and Miss Anne Callahan, home economics. Mr. Stickney continues as Principal of the building and instructor in Guidance at the High School level.

During the coming school year, Mrs. Carl Shaw, formerly teacher in grade six at the elementary school level, is going to teach a variety of Junior High School subjects at the seventh grade level. This additional teacher at this level is necessary due to the very large seventh grade which will be in the school during the coming year. It is expected that some twenty pupils will enter the seventh grade from Lyndeboro to be added to the fifty who are presently in the Wilton school system.

Several subject areas are being added to the curri-

culum either due to the additional numbers of children in a class, or due to a felt need for the strengthening of the curriculum. An additional section of civics will be added at the ninth grade level to provide for the additional youngsters who will be in that group. The feeling that more mathematics is necessary for young people than has been the case in the past, and an expansion of our mathematical program to a level above that which presently exists, has resulted in contemplating adding an Algebra I course at the eighth grade level. Due to the prevalent feeling that more study in Foreign Languages is necessary for young people in order to live satisfactorily in the world of the future, courses in Latin are to be re-instated in the Wilton School. It is believed that these courses have not been offered since 1936. An eighth grade first year Latin course will be offered to the youngsters who are capable of handling such a program, and a Latin I or II course offered at the ninth grade level. The Latin is offered at the eighth and ninth grade level so there will be no conflict with the offerings of French which start at the Sophomore level. A complete transformation has now been made in changing our French program from a two year program to a three year program and 1959-60 will be the first year when three years of French will be offered. This means that one additional subject is necessary in this particular area. The need for more instruction in languages is becoming more and more evident and this has led the administration to recommend that during the coming year instruction be provided for children in the elementary school in Conversational French. The present plans call for this program to be offered four times a week, one-half hour each day at the fourth, fifth and sixth grade levels. If this program works out satisfactorily, it is expected that it will be carried right up to the Sophomore level when pupils can move into

the French I course as presently programmed, although at that time the offerings in French I will have to be somewhat modified from the offerings that are presently made. The Administration is also recommending that at the Senior class level one additional course be provided for boys and girls who are not interested or do not have the background for taking Physics. At the present time a course along the general lines of Economics and Psychology is being considered. This means that now at the Junior and Senior level additional offerings are available so that the Chemistry and Physics classes can be strictly College Preparatory.

A recounting of these additions to the curriculum indicates that some seven new courses will be offered to the children of the Wilton school system during the coming year. These offerings are being made without the employment of additional teachers. These additional courses are being absorbed by the teachers presently on the staff through a desire on their part to provide the kind of instruction where all will be more satisfied. Incidentally, most of the recommendations which the present school administration is making to strengthen and improve the program are the recommendations which the School Study Committee has made after their year-long investigation of curriculum and building needs for Wilton.

The limited space which is available within our present school plant is going to have a decided effect upon the quality of instruction that is provided, especially at the elementary grade levels. During this coming year, due to the fact that no additional space was provided by the School District for classrooms, it is going to be necessary to house children in grades one through six not in nine rooms, but in eight rooms. This means that the average pupil load per teacher is going to increase from the thirty which presently is the case to an average of 31.2. This may not seem

to be an exorbitantly high figure but since it is very strongly felt that classrooms at the primary level should be less than this amount it becomes necessary for classes at the intermediate level to number, in some cases, thirty-five to thirty-seven children. In addition it means that even at the primary level some classrooms are going to be larger than they should be because of the awkward numbers of youngsters at the various grade levels. This condensation of the pupils within fewer rooms is a step in the wrong direction and is not one which makes for the best education for the children of Wilton. If this situation is not rectified in the coming school year the pupil load will increase even further and make it necessary to have at least four of the eight classrooms be multiple-graded room teaching situations. Multiple-graded room teaching situations have existed in Wilton for several years due to the numbers of youngsters at the various grade levels but the quality of instruction decreases very markedly in this type of a teaching situation when the number of youngsters in the classroom exceeds twenty-five.

An area of broadening of the curriculum is being provided this year by utilizing a medium which is still comparatively new, not only in New Hampshire, but in the northeastern part of our country. Reference is made here to the medium of Educational Television. Since the beginning of the school year educational presentations have been made available for the use of schools four days each week, each day in a different subject area, and directed at a different grade level. During the first part of the year these presentations were not utilized because of the difficulty in receiving a high quality signal but at the turn of the new year arrangements were made for providing an adequate signal and since that time classes of the elementary grades have been utilizing this medium. An educational

television presentation is very much like an educational film; when properly prepared, thoroughly discussed and adequately followed up, it makes an excellent unit of work about which to expand and develop classroom instruction. The presentations on television make available to youngsters demonstrations and experiments in science which otherwise would be almost impossible to witness. It also makes available to children, instructors who are specialists in their field, who have had an unusual amount of time to properly prepare for the classroom presentation, and teachers who have at their disposal teaching aids which would not be available to an ordinary teacher. All of these things add up to the fact that educational television can add measurably to the level of instruction being provided children. One step which has not been taken at this time, has been to join formally the "Twenty-one Inch Classroom" as it is called. The fee for joining amounts to 25 cents per pupil within the town, which would amount to about \$100 as far as Wilton is concerned. Such membership would provide the teachers with Teaching Guides to enable them to get the most out of each television program, because of the more adequate preparations for the television presentation that could thus be made. It is felt that in the very near future all schools will be utilizing this medium if they are within the range of educational television stations. It is also felt that each school will be equipped with at least one television set as all are now equipped with moving picture projectors. Actually the comparison with moving picture projectors can be continued by noting that the television presentation is actually more economical than the moving picture program is. Once the initial expense of a television set and antenna have been made the additional cost is limited to the cost of joining the program if that is the desire of the School Board.

## **Building and Grounds**

The building and grounds problem is one that is not going to be solved in a short period of time. The only solution to the provision for adequate playing space around the school will not be solved until such time as the school building is located in some other area. The problems of space within the building itself can only be met by additional building of some sort or other. Additional space could be very well used right now. Note has already been made of the crowded condition which will definitely exist during the coming school year. The School Board recommends, as it did last year, the construction of a shop area, preferably in the space at the rear of the Auditorium. This structure would be the most suitable place for a shop because of its remoteness from the rest of the school plant and it also would make available space that could be put to use for classrooms. Citizens are referred to the report submitted last year relative to the need for additional building space for the particulars that should be considered in this very important matter.

During the present year the school library has been closed about half the time each week due to the fact that it is necessary to schedule classes in this particular room. The library program is a library program in name only. No real provision for adequate library services are available, under the present circumstances.

### **School Building Needs Study Committee**

At the last district meeting a committee was appointed to investigate building needs for Wilton. This committee investigated all facets of school operation as well as building needs in order to get a sound background and foundation for making recommendations in this important area. A report recently presented to the public by this Committee has indicated, that after

a careful investigation of all facets of building that might be possible for Wilton, the recommendation which was being very strongly made was the entrance by Wilton into a Cooperative School District along with the towns of Milford, Amherst, Mont Vernon, Brookline and Lyndeboro. The results of this study complicates the choices and the directions in which the townspeople of Wilton may move to provide adequate educational facilities for their children. The entire matter of Cooperative Schools was thoroughly discussed some years ago, and at that time it was decided that this would not be the best step for Wilton to take. However, in the meantime much added emphasis has been placed on the necessity of excellent education for young people if survival in the outside world is to be possible. This fact together with recommendations made by the Report of Dr. Conant seem to indicate the crying need for the best educational opportunities for all children. Such a cooperative school, due to the enlarged enrollment, would offer excellent curriculum, classes large enough to provide stimulation for children at all academic levels and modern facilities that will make the task of providing excellent instruction simpler. In addition such a Cooperative School would be the hub around which the whole Souhegan Valley might well rotate. This becomes even more possible when one includes in his or her thinking the contemplated highway structure which will make the Milford-Wilton area the intersection of two main highway routes. The decision on this matter should be very carefully considered by all persons within the community.

It is felt that perhaps this is the last time that such a consolidation can be offered to citizens of the community, since it seems fairly evident that the situation in the Milford schools is such, that some building must be done immediately, and if an expansion program is embarked upon there, future development



of a Cooperative School in the area would be defeated for a considerable period of time. Even though an Article pertaining to a petition to the State Board of Education for entering into a Cooperative School is found within the Warrant, it is hoped that action on this Article will not be taken until some time later in the year when the Study Committee will have available more specific facts and information for the proper enlightenment of citizens of the community and they can make an intelligent choice in this matter. It is important to note that action in one of these two directions, either for a Cooperative School or for additional building, must be made at this time. If action for expansion is not taken through one of these two choices, education in Wilton will very definitely suffer, and the children of the community will be marked by this lack.

### Special Articles

Article 9 asks the School District to act on the acceptance of Roberts' Rules of Order Revised as the basis for the conduct of school district meetings at the time of adoption of this article. The use of Roberts' Rules would help to insure proper democratic procedures being in effect at all school district meetings. Article 10 gives the School District the opportunity to permit Town Meetings to take place at the High School auditorium. Action on this matter seems advisable due to the increased numbers of citizens who have shown interest in attending recent meetings. Ample space is provided within the school auditorium, although the convenience of location is a factor to consider. Article 11 gives the district opportunity to adopt nonpartisan ballot voting procedures at all elections. Adoption would mean that candidates would have to file for a district office and voting by ballot would be carried out as at a town meeting, except that no reference to the candidate's party affiliation is noted

on the ballot. Elections for the School District would take place on Town Meeting day along with town officer elections.

Article 12 asks for support by the School District for the development of the school band. The band program has been in effect for several years within the school, but recently has felt a strong desire and need to march at suitable occasions, namely the Memorial Day Program of the town. The spirit, morale and the interest of players in a school band is greatly affected by the wearing of proper uniforms, and this article provides the district an opportunity to raise some money to assist in this purchase. It is not expected that this fund will completely meet the need for uniforms, but additional funds are being planned for by parents of band members and interested citizens of the community.

Article 13 requests authorization from the district to apply any unexpended balance of funds which were raised for the purpose of installing a sprinkler system within the school to reduce the payments on sprinkler serial notes. Since these funds were voted at the last school district meeting for the installation of a sprinkler, such funds cannot be used for any other purpose without proper authority from the school district. If this article is acted upon favorably, it would mean that there would be a saving of as much as \$67.50 in interest payments. Article 14 makes it possible for the School Board to make application for and accept for the school district any grants or other funds for educational purposes which might be available now or in the future from the Federal Government or from the State of New Hampshire. These funds would be made available under the recently passed National Defense Act.

The two areas of the National Defense Act which most vitally affect schools throughout the entire country are Titles III and V. Title III provides funds for

improvement and strengthening of programs in Mathematics, Sciences and Foreign Languages. Title V provides funds for improved guidance services; for testing services at a State or National level, for financial compensation to defray costs for a guidance director and for individual counseling of pupils. This article just gives the School Board authority to accept any of these funds, if and when they become available to the school district.

At the present time New Hampshire's plans for the acceptance, use and distribution of these funds has been submitted to the United States Office of Education for approval. Once approval has been received, allocation of these funds will be made to schools within the State. At the present time under Title III, \$1.50/ per pupil may be made available for strengthening the quality of instruction in Mathematics, Sciences and Foreign Languages. In addition it is expected that New Hampshire will receive for matching by local districts, \$5,000. for financial support of local projects in the above academic areas. Under Title V \$.75 per pupil may be made available for testing plus \$35,000 for local projects in guidance. This all means that perhaps some of the costs of improvements in the areas of Mathematics, Sciences, Foreign Languages and guidance services being contemplated for Wilton can be reduced by funds which would be matched by the Federal Government.

Article 15 is inserted in the Warrant to see if the School District is interested seriously in having the Expansion Needs Study Committee continue its work as was voted at the last school district meeting. The work of this Study Committee has previously been reported upon within this report.

Article 16 is a regular petitioning article requesting the school district of Wilton to enter into a Cooperative School District including Milford and any one or

more of the districts which are noted within the article. This petition has to be acted upon favorably before entrance into a Cooperative District can take place. Action on this article is not expected to take place until a later continuation of the regular School District meeting, as has been previously noted. The purpose of this adjournment to a later date is to provide time for the Study Committee to gather additional facts and information which can be presented at this future meeting in order that the citizenry can intelligently vote on the matter.

Articles 17 and 18 are similar to the articles which were found within the Warrant at the previous school district meeting. It is intended that these articles be discussed at the adjourned meeting. The crowded condition of the school has already been noted previously within the report. The need for additional classroom facilities is urgent. The building is presently cramped for space and this condition will be accentuated in the coming year. If action is not taken on Articles 17 and 18 or Article 16 during this school district session, it means that relief from this crowded condition cannot take place at the earliest until September 1961, at which time the crowded situation within the schools will be drastically serious and a distinct deterrent to education in Wilton.

### Finance

The Wilton School Board's budget to cover the cost of education for the year 1959-60 amounts to \$166,374.15. This represents an increase of \$15,232.76 over the previous year's budget. Due to the fact, however, that additional income to the extent of \$10,335.92 is being anticipated by the School Board during this coming year, the amount of money anticipated to be raised for assessment purposes to support the school amounts to but \$135,454.15. This stated assessment estimate represents an increase of \$4,534.84 and when

one considers that \$3,000 of this increase has been assumed because of principal payments on the sprinkler system, the overall increase in the cost of education for the town of Wilton is not much more than the previous year's assessment. The presently estimated 1959-60 school tax is but \$3046.76 above the \$132,407.39 assessment approved by the State Tax Commission for the year 1958-59.

There are several areas of increase within the budget which account for the total appropriation increases as compared with the previous year. In Item 2, an increase of \$262.05 has been brought about by two factors, an increase in the salary for the Superintendent and an increased share of the Union expenses being borne by Wilton because of a larger portion of children in Wilton as compared to the whole Union. In Item 5, Supplies and Other Expenses, the increase of \$431 is brought about by two increases: one, additional Union expense for the Union office rent and two, because during the coming year the school district is going to bear its proportional share of the cost of the town report.

A major area of increase within the budget is in the area of Teachers' Salaries where an increase of \$7285 is revealed. Fifteen hundred dollars of this increase is provided for a guidance counselor to serve on a half-time basis in Wilton. Appleton Academy will use the other half of this teacher's time and the Federal Government will pay about half of total costs.

Wilton High School is one of the few schools in the State that has had a group guidance program over an extended period of time. This program involves instruction in general areas of guidance for each class. The program has always admittedly not provided the best kind of guidance services that might be desirable, but they provided a guidance specific service which was better than none at all. The real value to be provided

through a guidance program is by the individual counseling of children of the school. This kind of provision is being contemplated by the employment of a Guidance Counselor. This counseling will involve various facets of the program, namely occupational, academic and personal. In addition to this, the guidance director would work with individual teachers to help them to better guide children. The increased complexity of our national economy, the more stringent requirements for entrance into college, the added complexity of social problems being faced by teen-age youngsters today due to a slow deterioration of a sound family core, all contribute and make necessary a person specialized in guidance work. It should be understood that this guidance service will not in any way affect guidance activities on the part of teachers, or principal with individual children. Dr. Conant's recent report on secondary education in our country indicates and recommends very strongly guidance services for children at the secondary and the elementary levels.

The financial support available for such a guidance person is structured as follows: During the first year the Federal Government at this time will pay up to 50% but not to exceed \$2,000 of the Guidance Teacher's salary, the second year this amount will be 35% but not to exceed \$1575, the third year the Federal support will amount to 25%, not to exceed \$1250. After this time, if the guidance program has sold itself to the pupils and citizens of the community it is expected that the local community will bear the expense. In view of the recent nationally legislated support for additional assistance in the area of guidance and counseling, there is no doubt that additional funds will be available through the National Defense Act, already noted in this report.

The Federal Program requires that travel be authorized by the Guidance Counselor and this program

will also be supported up to 50% of the cost for travel, probably for home visitation work, per year on the basis of 7 cents a mile.

The remainder of the increase in Item 6 is for increases in Teachers' Salaries. This is a seemingly large amount, but it is felt to be justifiable since it is in keeping with average State increases over the past several years. The increase will provide salaries that are commensurate with salaries being offered in southern New Hampshire and Massachusetts where we must meet our stiffest competition for good teachers.

The increase can be justified on the basis of the additional load which is being handled by teachers at the elementary level. Since one room has been withdrawn from the elementary school, the pupil load per teacher has been increased. As has previously been noted, this could be a 10% to 25% increase when compared with the present year. At the secondary level, the increases can be justified because of the fact that while 13 additional subjects are being considered for addition to the Junior-Senior High School program, only one additional teacher is being hired. This one teacher will handle six subjects at the seventh grade level. The other seven subjects are being handled by the High School teachers to provide the kind of curriculum that it is felt necessary to have for children in school today. Under normal circumstances, at least one teacher would have been found necessary to handle the additional subject areas. The teachers presently employed by the School District indicated a desire to handle these additional subjects without increasing the staff and thereby save the School District this additional expense. Although this will make a more difficult and strenuous teaching experience for each and every one of the teachers, if teacher morale remains high, and support for and appreciation of the additional effort being made by the teachers is evidenced by the town,

such additional load can be absorbed without detracting from the education of children.

Item 7, increases \$390. to bring this budgeted item more into line with what has been expended in previous years, although part of the increase is also accounted for because of additional pupil enrollment which is being anticipated. An increase in Item 9 of \$750. is included in the budget to provide for clerical assistance in the High School office so that the School Principal can devote the major portion of his time to supervision of classroom instruction, school administration and the handling of individual pupil problems, rather than devote a good part of his time to clerical details. The Principal should be given opportunity to do the things that we are hiring him to do and the things that he is trained to do rather than having him perform a lot of time consuming clerical work. An increase of \$300. in Item 11, reflects an increment being provided the custodians of the school. An increase in Item 15, Health Supervision, is to provide additional compensation and to give proper credit to the unusually commendable work in health projects being conducted by the School Nurse in the interest of the children of Wilton. Item 16 shows an increase of \$425. to provide for the additional cost of an afternoon bus-run into the Intervale. Additional support by the School District in the operation of the noon lunch program is necessary since high cost surplus foods have been less plentiful than previously. Item 19, Teachers' Retirement, is a fixed percentage of the total teachers' salaries.

Item 22, shows an increase of \$2490. This money is being provided to modify the present library so that it can be used as a science laboratory. This need is a very urgent and pressing one within the school. At the present time some 44 classes in science are scheduled while only 29 periods are available during



the week for science classes. This means that 15 science classes must be held in rooms that are not particularly suited for proper instruction in this area. The increase in Item 23 of \$650. is made necessary primarily by additional desk and chair units to take care of the increased enrollment within our school. Item 25 increases \$3,000. with the assumption of principal payments for installation of the sprinkler system.

The following decreases have been budgeted for 1959-60 in the following areas: In Item 12, Fuel, a reduction of \$913. it is felt can be realized by a readjustment to the average number of gallons of fuel actually being used, and also through a lower fuel price than has been available in the past; under Item 14, Maintenance and Repairs, a reduction of \$700. is made possible by a reduction in repairing work to be performed in the year, the 1958-59 budget figure it will be recalled was mainly for roof repairs; Item 21 is reduced by \$225. because the 1958-59 budget called for expenditures to be made for the tarring of walk areas about the school.

Due to the fact that additional enrollments are being anticipated at the High School and Elementary level and an increase in the Elementary and High School tuition costs to \$240. and \$325. per pupil, income has been increased to \$30,920. This is an increase of \$10,335.92 over the previous year's income. The balance on hand being estimated at \$5,000. has been made possible by two factors, an excess of tuition income over that which was anticipated and a reimbursement on insurance through the writing of new insurance under a sprinklered plan. This additional income has, for all intents and purposes, kept the overall budget within the general scope of the previous year's tax assessment.

### Conclusion

I wish to thank the Wilton School Board, the Ele-

mentary and High School staff, and citizens of our community for their cooperation and assistance during this past school year. The Wilton schools are providing children of the community with a sound education, especially when considered in the light of the size of the community. With the continued cooperation of School Board, staff, parents and citizens, this sound education can be continued for the benefit of children and the town.

KENNETH A. SARGENT,  
Superintendent of Schools.

## PRELIMINARY REPORT OF WILTON SCHOOL STUDY COMMITTEE

At the 1958 Wilton School District meeting the following Article—No. 10 in the Warrant—was voted.

### I

#### ARTICLE 10

“Moved and seconded that a committee of nine (9) individuals, consisting of one selectman, one member of the School Board, one teacher and six laymen, be appointed by the Moderator to study the question of further expansion of the school premises for classroom and shop purposes or any alternate proposal, and to report at the next annual school district meeting its findings on the subject and on any other alternate plan that they might advise as a reasonable solution to our present school building.”

### II

Pursuant to this article the following individuals were appointed by the Moderator, Raymond Batchelder, and meeting with him acting as Chairman pro tem in May 1958, organized as follows:

Arthur Atwood — layman  
Margaret Center — layman — Secretary  
Norman Draper — layman  
Benjamin Holt — layman  
Fred Nelson — selectman  
Frances Pellerin — teacher  
Lawrence Putnam — layman — Vice-Chairman  
John K. Whiting, Jr. — layman — Chairman  
David Wright — School Committee

When Mr. Wright resigned the Chairmanship of the School Committee in January his place on our committee was taken by Raymond LaPonsee. At the invitation of the Committee Milan McGrath has been an ex-officio member of the group, and a helpful and regular attendant at the meetings.

### III

The Committee felt that its first function should be to consider the problem areas most pressing on the school operation, and to consider the type of education that should be made available to the Wilton school population. The problems were found to be—first, overcrowding in the light of modern-day standards and operating methods both inside the buildings and in the

outside areas of approach, parking spaces, exercise and play areas. Second, lack of specialized facilities for High School program; and third, an inadequate curriculum at the High School level.

It was felt that Wilton was not only obligated to its students but strongly desired to offer them the best possible education—tempered by reasonable tax burden—in order that its graduates would be prepared to meet the competitive challenge that lies before them in whatever field of endeavor they may select. To find answers to these problems the Committee turned to consideration of the findings and recommendations of experts in the field of education. Consequently much study has been given to the recommendations of the New Hampshire State Board of Education, publications of the National Education Association, findings of the Carnegie Institute under the leadership of James B. Conant, and previous recommendations of our own School Superintendents and School Board.

Consideration of the High School curriculum for the year '58-'59 in the light of our research—indicated that it was inadequate. The curriculum proposed by the School Board for the year '59-'60 is much more to the Committee's liking. However, the following additions are recommended if Wilton is to meet the standards desired by the Committee:

Bookkeeping II

Physical Education to include all students (gym equipment, lockers and showers inadequate)

Fine Arts — Music Appreciation

General Art (Art Appreciation and Creative Art)

4th year of French

3rd year of Latin

Additional one-half year of Guidance

Remedial Work

Such an addition to the '59-'60 curriculum would necessitate five or six more teachers at a cost of \$20,000 - \$25,000.

#### IV

School population was next considered and forecast, and in the foreseeable future it was estimated that Wilton High School classes would not average above 50 - 60 students—which number includes approximately 14 tuition students from Lyndeborough. The considered opinion of the experts in the field of education is that an adequate, challenging and economical public high school operation can best be carried on for graduating classes of 100 or more students.

## V

The land area and existing buildings were considered in the light of school population optimum curriculum, and previous School Board recommendations. Both land and buildings were found to be overcrowded in the light of present day standards. The building facilities could be expanded to meet building space required in the next 5-10 years by building a wing on the northeast corner of the main building—similar to the construction on the southeast corner of thirty years ago. Such a construction would provide a shop at the basement level and two rooms above with floor levels even with the first and second story floors—the cost is “guesstimated” at \$100,000. The reason for choice of this site for building expansion is that it does not encroach on any usable land area.

The School Board has very recently developed a room assignment schedule which indicates that it is possible to house the students in the present buildings through the year 1965. They freely admit that this would be done at a heavy expense to the quality of its educational program. The School Board proposal to build a Shop room for \$50,000 is felt to be only a partial solution to the housing problem, and would result in greater expense to the town in later years when additional class room space would be required.

## VI

### COOPERATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Consolidation was next considered as this appeared to be the only means by which Wilton High School students could be in classes that would graduate a minimum of 100. Consolidation seemed to offer two possible groupings—one to the northwest and one to the southeast. Discussions were held with Mr. Sargent, Superintendent of Union No. 63, of which Wilton is a part, along with Lyndeborough, Francestown, Greenfield, Temple and Mason. The total school population of this Union it was found would yield class numbers that are still too small to be considered practical, and conversations with School Board members in these towns indicated that generally there was little interest or probability that these towns would join with us.

On the other hand, to the south of us, Milford and Amherst during the past year have had functioning committees similar to our own which have been working on their school problems and thinking about Consolidation. Lyndeborough and Mont Vernon—although without study committees—have been kept apprized of progress and have furnished data through their official school committees.

Cooperative school districts are operated under a law passed by the State Legislature and administered by the State Board of Education, much as the School Unions of the State are operated. Because the State favors consolidations the law has certain features which are presumed to encourage towns to join in a common effort to accomplish better education. The outstanding factors in the law favorable to consolidated districts are the larger percentage of aid the State offers to the consolidations in the payment of their bonded debt and an increase in allowable debt limit from 4% for individual towns to 6% of equalized valuation for cooperating towns.

To set up a cooperative School District, the towns wishing to join together must each, separately, at a district meeting, vote to petition the State to establish the Cooperative District. If the State Board of Education—after due consideration of factors of geography, population and tax base—looks favorably on the proposal they call a joint meeting of the voters of the petitioning towns at which the first vote taken is to determine if the group favors the proposal. Upon favorable action the meeting proceeds to determine the number of individuals that will sit on the Cooperative School Board and how they shall be elected. Also the method of prorating the cost of the operation is determined. Each town in the consolidation will have at least one member on the Board. The State Board of Education is then ready to declare the District officially organized and enabled to operate and sell bonds on the credit of the towns, etc.

Because of the complexities and inefficiencies that would result from the operation of a Cooperative District at the high-school level, and local district operation at elementary and junior-high levels the Committee feels that consolidation should take place throughout the entire school system—Grades 1 - 12. This would result in one school management, one transportation system, and one school budget common to all the towns.

In this consolidation physical consolidation would take place only at the high-school level—all elementary and junior-high schools now in existence would be continued.

The costs of any building programs for consolidated school districts are borne by the towns in the group in proportion to their equalized valuations. The operating costs are divided between the towns, according to one of two plans: 50% in accordance with the equalized valuation and 50% in proportion to the school population, or on the base of equalized valuation.

Listed below are the equalized valuations and school populations for the five towns that have been considered for consolida-

tion Grades 1 - 12, with physical consolidation of Grades 10, 11 and 12:

		1956	%	Jan. 1, 59 Debt	at 6% Borrowing Capacity	
Equalized Valuation	{	Lyndeborough	1,587,207	5	40,000	53,659
		Wilton	6,999,424	22	41,500	355,647
		Milford	14,637,623	45	242,700	619,220
		Amherst	6,967,851	22	23,000	378,487
		Mont Vernon	1,753,759	6		101,560
		31,945,764				

		Grades 1 - 9	Grades 10 - 12	Total	%	
1956-66 Population Using School Census of Sept. 1959 (No growth factor)	{	Lyndeborough	135	38	173	7.2
		Wilton	353	120	473	19.3
		Milford	836	255	1091	45.4
		Amherst	387	132	519	21.6
		Mont Vernon	107	41	148	6.2
		1818	586	2404	99.7	

Tabulated below are the comparative capital costs to the town of Wilton if Wilton should vote to build and equip a \$110,000 addition to its present school plant, and the capital costs to the town assuming the five towns above should vote to consolidate and build and equip a Central 3-year High School at a cost of \$900,000, assuming 20-year bonds at 4%:

	Consolidation	Addition
Total Expended	\$900,000	\$110,000
Wilton Share	190,000	110,000
Annual Principal Payment	9,500	5,500
State Aid	5,200 @ 55%	1,650 @ 30%
Net Annual Princ. Payment	4,300	3,850
Average Annual Interest	3,800	2,200
*Present Debt Aid	520	
Average Net Cost Annually	7,580	6,050
Effect on Tax Rate	2.50 per \$1,000	1.90 per \$1,000

\*Present school district debt is \$41 500 on which the District is aided annually to the extent of 30%. Under consolidation the aid would be increased by 25%—therefore the State would pay \$10,500 more under consolidation, and if this saving were spread over 20 years the annual saving would be \$520.

Operating budget figures for the five-town Cooperative District are in process of development and are not yet available.

This is also true of data being developed which will equalize the net asset values of existing school plants between the five towns.

The following factors are under consideration by the Committee relative to the merits of joining in a five-town consolidation.

1. Once in a consolidation we can not back out. However, if we pass this opportunity by there probably will not be a second chance.
2. Wilton voters will not alone determine action to be taken on school matters. However, they would have representation on the Board and a vote at the Consolidated District meeting.
3. The cost of the consolidation may be somewhat higher but this factor is offset by the fact that we should receive more education per dollar spent.
4. Physical consolidation at the high-school level is a continuation of the trend started 30 years ago when the little Red School Houses were found inadequate and closed.
5. Possibility of lengthened school day for the older students in Central School to allow time for broader extra curricular activities.
6. Broader social opportunity for students at Central School.
7. Central School would graduate well over the 100 student minimum standard set by the experts—thus permitting grouping by ability and interest while retaining economic teacher work load.
8. More challenging environment to bring out the best in pupils, and to permit special handling of particularly talented students.
9. Better instruction—due to teacher specialization in their chosen field.
10. Broader curriculum resulting in a fully accredited school that would meet all college requirements, and fully meet the needs of all areas of the community in business and vocational training.
11. First-rate facility fully equipped for library, science, shop, home economics, athletic and recreation facilities.
12. Expanded extra curricular activities, student publications, dramatics, band, orchestra, glee club, academic clubs, etc.
13. Expanded athletic program. Athletics for all—extra—mural and intramural.
14. Removal of three high-school classes from Wilton School



would relieve over-crowding and permit of better program for those grades remaining.

15. If Wilton does not consolidate and Milford and Amherst build a new facility, it is likely that Wilton would lose its present tuition students which would necessitate an even more restricted curriculum for the Wilton High School, as class size would be reduced to approximately 40 students assuming no drop-outs.
16. If Wilton does not consolidate it would appear that Wilton High School graduates will not be as well equipped to compete for jobs as graduates of larger high schools in the area.
17. The consolidated high school, together with the improving highway system of the State, should attract new industry and citizens to the area—thus elevating the economy and standard of living.

### CONCLUSION

The Committee, at this writing, is of the opinion that the best interest of the community would be served by joining in a cooperative educational effort if, when all the facts are in, the costs to Wilton taxpayers appear reasonable. It is our hope that sufficient data will be available prior to Town Meeting to make decisions and recommendations possible.

If Wilton voters express an interest in forming a cooperative school district at the March meeting it appears that a vote should be taken to hold an adjourned meeting for final voting on the subject. The other towns in the proposed consolidation doing likewise would firm up the grouping and create time for deeper and more careful study so that voters at the adjourned meeting could have all the facts before them.

This Committee has operated without funds. If an adjourned meeting is voted, an interim committee should be appointed and provided with funds so that some professional aid can be obtained and the data necessary to the voters prepared and printed so it can be placed before them.

## REPORT OF PRINCIPAL OF WILTON HIGH SCHOOL

It is once more a pleasure to report to the people on the progress made in your High School during the past year.

There has been much of an encouraging nature, and as always will be the case, some areas which need consideration.

### Class of 1958

It seems that a mention of last year's graduating class might serve to show that to some degree we are meeting the needs of most of our students. It should be noted that we cannot at this point judge to what extent our graduates are successful in their ventures.

Of a class of twenty-five, seven or 28% were accepted, started and are still attending four-year colleges. Of this number, three are experiencing some rather serious trouble in some subjects.

There are two or 8% attending two-year colleges with success.

Five or 20% entered the various services and the remaining eleven or 44% are employed.

The percentage of our students going on to further education is very favorable and even somewhat higher than the national average.

### Testing

Our eleventh and twelfth grade students have had the opportunity to take the National Merit Scholarship qualification tests as well as the National Honor Society Scholarship tests. Wilton should take great pride in the fact that one of our Seniors qualified for the finals in the latter tests while three of our Juniors scored very high on the National scale.

In the second semester of this year this testing program is to be made available to the ninth and tenth

grades on a voluntary basis and the results while not applicable for scholarships will be used in program counselling and guidance.

### **Shop Program**

The Shop program, thanks to our Superintendent and School Board, has been able to take advantage of surplus materials to the extent that four machines for use in machine shops have been added namely, two lathes, a milling machine, and a drill press. Space in the shop, as well as layout, which is limited because of space, is the large problem in this area. As long as this condition exists, we must settle for an inadequate shop program.

### **Educational TV**

A thank you is in order to the teachers' councils of both the Elementary and High School who pooled resources for a booster and its installation for the TV set. We are for the first time able to and the elementary school is taking advantage of the various educational offerings of Channel Two.

### **Library**

Miss Callahan and volunteer girls from the upper High School Grade are in the process of revising our school library and supplies from the money voted at last year's meeting. This subject probably needs further attention due to the fact that unless more space is forthcoming our library will become a classroom for next year. The only solution seems to be to use Room H which has a capacity of fifteen people before books and shelves are added. It also seems improbable that this arrangement would meet the State Minimum Standards.

### **Report of Recent New Policy**

I feel that a report on the results of a newly adopted policy by your School Board might well be given here and is as follows:

At the end of the first marking period of nine weeks duration there were forty-five students in grades 7-12 who were failing, among them, seventy-seven subjects. It was felt that a great preponderance of these were due to lack of effort, or in simple terms a "don't care" attitude and laziness.

The School Board approved the dismissal of any student who was not working up to his ability or was behaving in such a fashion as to interfere with others in their learning.

The assumption that this policy was the only deciding factor in the outcome cannot be made, however, it certainly must have had some beneficial influence based upon the fact that at the end of the second marking period there were only thirteen students failing, among them, nineteen subjects.

### **Change of Program**

Last year we added Physical Science as a course for Juniors and Seniors to eliminate the need of some of our students electing Chemistry and Physics when there was no need, desire, and in many cases ability. To pick up the lag for next year's Seniors we will find it necessary to add another subject as an elective. We hope to make this a course in Economics and Psychology.

In addition to this change, we hope to make the following additions and in a small way do something for the persons with some extra ability in the way of preparation for college.

To add Algebra I and Latin I for credit for advanced standing in the Eighth grade.

We also hope to make available to the Fourth, Fifth, and Sixth grades a course in French which will be of a nature of orientation and primarily limited to the spoken word.

### **Population and Space**

The last and in a sense the most critical problem

to be met for next year seems to be in population and space. Our graduating class will be in the vicinity of twenty-five, and our incoming seventh grade will be some over seventy. This means the addition of two complete divisions or homerooms to our school.

The area hardest hit by space limitations and one which is increasingly hard to cope with is our science program.

We have at present twenty-nine class periods per week and one science room. We have forty-one science classes meeting per week leaving a minimum of twelve science classes to meet in some other room not suitable for the purpose.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the School Board, Mr. Sargent, and all of the Citizens of Wilton who have made our school year one of advancement and progress. I wish also to say "thank you" to the faculty, custodians and pupils for their support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,  
IRA A. STICKNEY,  
Principal.

## SCHOOL NURSE REPORT

The day by day watch care for injuries or illness sustained while the child is in school, coupled with the constant alert for any infection, is the first duty of the School Nurse.

Every month some additional project is planned. Typical of such projects are the annual eye examinations by the Keystone Visual Method and the hearing tests conducted with the aid of the Maico Audiometer. Also during the year physical examinations are given by our school doctor, Dr. Sheris, to all members of the various athletic teams and school personnel. The dental clinic is held each year with Dr. Roy, the school dentist. It is also a matter of routine to record periodic weight and measurement checks for the growth development records for each child. Tuberculosis patch tests are given each spring and read by the State Tuberculosis Nurse, Mrs. Burchell.

The school nurse endeavors at all times to keep the parents informed of any problem arising concerning the health of their children. Changes in vision, hearing or any information resulting from her own observations or those of the doctor are immediately reported to the parents.

It is important for the parents to know that any questions or suggestions in regard to the health of their school child would be most welcome at any time. It is, indeed, most essential that we maintain a close relationship between the school and home in order that we may provide the best health program possible for our children.

Respectfully submitted,  
MARION R. HOWARD, R.N.,  
School Nurse.



