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**TOWN OF  
SANDOWN**



**FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
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NEW HAMPSHIRE

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## TOWN OFFICERS 1947.

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### SELECTMEN

Charles Burton French, Chairman  
Thomas A. LaCava, Clerk  
Edgar F. Moritz  
James L. Paine, Retiring

### TOWN CLERK

Charles I. Brock

### TREASURER

Priscilla D. Bassett

### TAX COLLECTOR

John J. Pinard  
Clarence I. Drowne, Retiring

### ROAD AGENT

Ralph S. Follansbee

### SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LIST

John B. Holmes, Jr., Chairman      Byron E. Kelley  
Harlan W. Rand

### TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Raymond K. Bassett      Woodbury S. Pervere  
John B. Holmes, Sr.

### TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Anna M. Enman      Edna K. French  
Maud E. Eaton

### LIBRARIAN

Eleanor L. Bassett

### HEALTH OFFICER

Bernard A. Love

### FIRE CHIEF

Bernard A. Love

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Bernard A. Love

DEPUTY FOREST FIRE WARDENS

Allen D. Love

Raymond K. Bassett

Ralph Drowne

Ralph S. Follansbee

Chester A. Ray

Ernest C. Pillsbury

POLICE OFFICERS

Ralph D. Barnes, Chief

Nahum Blanchard

John J. Pinard

Carl Nelson Patterson

Lewis Sinskie

Charles Clark

AUDITORS

Bernard A. Love

Maude L. Holmes

MODERATOR

Clarence I. Drowne

## FOREST FIRE PROBLEM SERIOUS

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The year 1947 was one of the worst periods of drouth and forest fire occurrence in eastern United States history. Lack of water ruined crops, lowered water levels and dried up brooks everywhere. Three months of deficient rainfall and abnormally high temperatures resulted in many fires which were mostly well controlled and kept within bounds. Only the high winds beginning on October 23rd caused a few fires to escape beyond immediate control. These few fires resulted in burning some 15,000 acres and the loss of 63 or more buildings in four New Hampshire towns.

All October fires were costly. They burned deeply in the ground and required day and night patrol of large crews of men until the rains came late in October. Towns which escaped from serious fires might easily have been in the midst of the most serious conflagrations we had.

Governor Dale closed the woods effective at midnight of October 15th. With the blow-up of October 23rd, a second proclamation closed all back roads and authorized towns to inaugurate patrol. The effect of this was to cut down subsequent fires for the rest of the dry period.

Local fire warden forces performed an admirable job to hold the more than 200 fires that occurred during this October period. Many men were taxed to the utmost as the emergency continued. To them and all these who did their work, the people of New Hampshire owe a debt of gratitude. The state forest fire control agency based on local town wardens and town crews wherever adequately equipped rose to the occasion and met the test in whatever town their services were needed.

It is now time to take stock everywhere of our fire fighting facilities for the season ahead and to make them adequate where necessary. To this end town fire plans and training programs for wardens, deputies and other key men in each district are being arranged or in progress. If equipment and tools are insufficient properly to equip the available man power in each community with the right tools for the job, they should be provided for at once. The yearly addition of fire tools to the town supply will generally need to be built up. The state sells tools to the towns and shares one-half their cost. Good equipment is important and can help greatly to keep both damage and fire costs at a minimum.

For many years we have requested our wardens not to issue burning permits except on rainy days. This regulation will be in effect again this year as it is one of the best means of assuring such fires from getting out of control. Nine out of every ten fires can be prevented, 98 percent of all fires being due to human carelessness. Be sure to get a permit for any fire in or near woodland when the ground is free from snow. Be sure your fires are always out before you leave them. Help us in getting the travelling public to keep from throwing out lighted matches or cigarettes. Be careful of all fires in or near woodland.

Merton A. Webber  
District Chief



## TOWN WARRANT

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### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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To the inhabitants of the town of Sandown in the County of Rockingham in said state qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Sandown on Tuesday, the ninth day of March next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To see if the town will vote to accept Town Road Aid: State to contribute \$1,364.74, Town to raise an estimated amount of \$375.

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

5. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to administer or dispose of, at either public or private sale, property taken through Tax Collectors Deeds.

6. To see if the town will vote to allow the school building committee to remodel, re-equip and recondition the Community Hall in general accordance with posted plan suggested by the State Board of Education so that in addition to the present services rendered by the hall, it may serve also as a two room centralized school house for the district.

7. To authorize the selectmen to make with the school board whatever arrangements deemed necessary for the maintenance and operation of the new Community Hall School Building.

8. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to build a four stall bathhouse at Phillips Pond.

9. To see if the town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to purchase a police uniform for the Chief of Town Police Officers.

10. To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$25. to defray the expenses of investigating veterans' burial markers and replacing those found missing. The work is being accomplished by The Lester W. Chase Post, No 9, American Legion, Derry, N. H.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500. to purchase equipment for fire protection, and to choose a committee of seven to study fire protection needs. The appropriation to be expended by authorization of the Selectmen on recommendation of the committee.

Charles B. French, chairman  
Thomas A. LaCava  
Edgar F. Moritz  
Selectmen of Sandown

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

Charles B. French, chairman  
Thomas A. LaCava  
Edgar F. Moritz  
Selectmen. of Sandown



**BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF**  
**Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year**  
**Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expen-**  
**31, 1947.**

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1947	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1947	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1948
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$32.25	\$24.53	\$24.53
Savings Bank Tax	27.92	27.92	27.92
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance		774.51	
Gas Tax		650.00	650.00
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	100.00	175.00	100.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	30.00	35.74	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	250.00	335.66	200.00
Dog Licenses		116.80	75.00
Sale of Town Property		100.00	
Unclassified		444.95	
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2	180.00	90.00	150.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	6.00	6.00	6.00
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Total Revenues from All Sources Except Property Taxes	626.17	2,781.11	1,840.35
Amount to be raised by Property Taxes	12,267.07	12,961.92	13,237.61
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Total Revenues	\$12,893.24	\$15,743.03	\$15,077.96

SANDOWN, NEW HAMPSHIRE

January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1948 Compared with  
 ditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1947 to December

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Appropriations Previous Year 1947	Actual	Estimated
		Expenditures Previous Year 1947	Expenditures Ensuing Year 1948
Current Maintenance			
Expenses:			
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$800.00	\$702.11	\$1,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	500.00	300.13	500.00
Election and			
Registration Expenses	75.00	51.75	125.00
Expenses Town Hall and			
Other Town Bldgs.	400.00	273.00	600.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	75.00	211.31	125.00
Fire Department	150.00	836.90	150.00
Dogs		34.14	35.00
Bounties		* 1.50	5.00
Health:			
Vital Statistics	10.00	13.50	13.50
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance:			
Summer	700.00	1,631.55	1,650.00
Winter	1,200.00	1,273.80	2,000.00
General Expenses of			
Highway Department	200.00	599.47	300.00
Town Road Aid	337.57	356.74	375.00
Libraries:	100.00	66.25	150.00
Public Welfare:			
Old Age Assistance	700.00	600.70	700.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day and			
Veterans' Association	25.00	28.00	40.00
Soldiers Monument	350.00	350.00	
Recreation:			
Parks and Playgrounds,			
Incl. band concerts	100.00	27.10	100.00

BUDGET (continued)

## BUDGET (continued)

Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries		3.50	5.00
Unclassified:			
Taxes purchased by Town		46.94	50.00
Other		15.10	30.00
Interest:			
Parsonage Fund	40.00	40.00	40.00
On Principal of Trust			
Funds Used by Town	70.62	70.62	70.62
Highways and Bridges:			
New Equipment	750.00	650.10	
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
Payment to Capital Reserve Funds			500.00
Payments to Other			
Governmental Divisions:			
County Taxes	849.05	1,122.47	1,122.47
Payments to			
School Districts	5,461.00	6,436.35	5,391.37
Total Expenditures	\$12,893.24	\$15,743.03	\$15,077.96

## INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF SANDOWN

Description	Valuation
Lands and Buildings	318,298.00
Growing Wood and Timber	43,545.00
Electric Plants	11,450.00
Horses, 10	1,425.00
Cows, 62	6,200.00
Other Neat Stock, 10	750.00
Sheep and Goats, 2	20.00
Fowls, 2084	2,674.00
Portable Mills, 2	1,100.00
Boats and Launches, 13	1,010.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks, 4	620.00
Stock in Trade	5,500.00
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Total Valuation	\$392,592.00
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(Exclusive of soldiers' exemption and exemptions to blind)	
Total Valuation	\$405,342.00
Poll Taxes, 152 at \$2.00	\$304.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	6.00
Total amount of taxes to be committed to collector including town and precinct taxes, poll taxes and national bank stock taxes	12,284.06
Average rate of taxation per one hundred dollars valuation for all purposes	3.05
Amount of property valuation exempted to soldiers	12,750.00
Amount of property valuation exempted to blind—none	
Number of inventories sent out	275
Number of inventories returned	120



**STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND  
TAXES ASSESSED**

Town of Sandown, 1947.

**Appropriations:**

Town Officers' Salaries	\$800.00
Town Officers' Expenses	500.00
Election and Registration Expenses	75.00
Town Hall and Buildings	400.00
Police Department	75.00
Fire Department	150.00
Vital Statistics	10.00
Town Road Aid	337.57
Town Maintenance, Summer	700.00
Town Maintenance, Winter	1,200.00
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	200.00
New Equipment	750.00
Libraries	100.00
Old Age Assistance	700.00
Memorial Day and Old Home Day	25.00
Parks and Playgrounds Inc. Band Concerts	100.00
Interest	110.62
County Tax	1,122.47
School Tax	5,461.00
Capital Reserve Fund—	
transferred from cash surplus \$1,053.58	
War Memorial	350.00
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<b>Total Town and School Appropriations</b>	<b>\$13,166.66</b>

**Less:**

**Estimated Revenues and Credits:**

Interest and Dividend Tax	\$21.41
Savings Bank Tax	19.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	200.00
Rent of Town Property	50.00

Interest Received on Taxes	15.00	
Cash Surplus	1,000.00	
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Total Revenues and Credits		1,305.41
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		\$11,861.25
Plus Overlay		422.81
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Net Amount to be raised by Taxation		12,284.06
Less:		
Poll Taxes at \$2.00	\$304.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	6.00	
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		310.00
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Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is to be figured		11,974.06
Taxes to be Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes		11,974.06
Poll Taxes at \$2.00		304.00
National Bank Stock Taxes		6.00
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Total Taxes to be Committed		\$12,284.06
Tax Rates: Town \$3.05		



## COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1947.

Title of Appropriation	Appropriation	Receipts and Reimbursements	Amount Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft
Town Officers' Salaries	800.00		800.00	702.11	97.89	
Town Officer's Expenses	500.00		500.00	300.13	199.87	
Election & Registration Expenses	75.00		75.00	51.75	23.25	
Expenses Town Hall and Other Bldg's	400.00	200.00	600.00	273.00	327.00	136.31
Police Department	75.00		75.00	211.31		269.10
Fire Department	150.00	417.80	567.80	836.90		
Dogs		116.80	116.80	34.14	82.66	
Bounties				1.50		1.50
Vital Statistics	10.00		10.00	13.50		3.50
Town Maintenance:						
Winter	1,200.00		1,200.00	11,273.80		73.80
Summer	700.00	650.00	1,350.00	1,631.55		281.55

General Expenses of							
Highway Department	200.00		200.00	599.47		399.47	
Town Road Aid	337.57		337.57	356.74		19.17	
Library	100.00			66.25	33.75		
Old Age Assistance	700.00	774.51	1,474.51	600.70	873.81		
Soldiers' Monument	350.00		350.00	350.00			
Memorial and							
Old Home Day	25.00		25.00	28.00		3.00	
Parks and Playgrounds	100.00		100.00	27.10	72.90		
Cemeteries				3.50		3.50	
Interest	110.62		110.62	110.62			
New Equipment	750.00	75.00	825.00	650.10	174.90		
County Tax	849.05		849.05	1,122.47		273.42	
	<u>7,432.24</u>	<u>2,234.11</u>	<u>9,666.35</u>	<u>9,244.64</u>	<u>1,886.03</u>	<u>1,464.32</u>	

Net Unexpended Balance  
of Appropriations

421.71

## FINANCIAL REPORT

of the town of Sandown in Rockingham County  
for the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1947

### CERTIFICATE

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

Dated February 9, 1948.

C. Burton French  
Thomas A. LaCava  
Edgar F. Moritz  
Selectmen  
Priscilla D. Bassett  
Treasurer

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
CONTINUED.

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## Town of Sandown

## BALANCE

## ASSETS

Cash		
In hands of treasurer		2,684.31
In hands of officials		
Collector		84.54
Town Clerk		2.81
Capital Reserve Funds:		
Highway Department		1,044.50
Unredeemed Taxes:		
Levy of 1946		46.94
Uncollected Taxes:		
Levy of 1947		3,355.16
Total Assets		<u>7,218.26</u>
Grand Total		\$7,218.26
Net Debt., Surplus, Dec. 31, 1946	2,053.58	
Net Debt., Surplus, Dec. 31, 1947	<u>2,271.85</u>	
Increase		\$218.27



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**LIABILITIES**

Accounts Owed by the Town:		
Library	33.25	
Due to School Districts:		
Dog licenses	82.66	
Balance of Appropriation	961.00	
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		1,076.91
Capital Reserve Funds		1,044.50
Trust Funds, Amount of Principal Used by Town:		2,825.00
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Total Liabilities		\$4,946.41
Excess of assets over liabilities (Surplus)		2,271.85
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Grand Total		\$7,218.26

## Receipts

## Current Revenue:

## From Local Taxes:

Property taxes—Current year	\$8,839.27
Poll taxes—Current year—	
Regular @ \$2	90.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	6.00

Total of Current Year's taxes collected and remitted	\$8,935.27
Property taxes—Previous year	1,568.29
Poll taxes—Previous years—	
Regular @ \$2	30.00
Interest received on taxes	35.74

## From State:

For Class V Highway maintenance	650.00
Interest and dividend tax	24.53
Savings bank tax	27.92
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	774.51

## From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog licenses	116.80
Rent of town property	175.00
Registration of motor vehicles	
1947 Permits	335.66

## Receipts Other than

## Current Revenue:

Withdrawals from Capital Reserve Funds	100.00
Unclassified	444.95

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Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue \$544.95

**CLASSIFICATION****Payments For the Year Ended December 31, 1947**

	Payments
<b>Current Maintenance Expenses:</b>	
<b>General Government:</b>	
Town officer's salaries	702.11
Town officer's expenses	300.13
Election and registration expenses	51.75
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	273.00
<b>Protection of Persons and Property:</b>	
Police department	
Including care of tramps	211.31
Fire department	
Including Forest Fires	836.90
Bounties	1.50
Damage by dogs	34.14
<b>Health:</b>	
Vital statistics	13.50
<b>Highways and Bridges:</b>	
Town Road Aid	356.74
Town Maintenance	
Summer	1,631.55
Winter	1,273.80
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	2,905.35
General Expenses of Highway Department	599.47
<b>Libraries:</b>	
Libraries	66.25
<b>Public Welfare:</b>	
Old Age Assistance	600.70
<b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>	
Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	28.00

Receipts and

Receipts

Total Receipts from all Sources	13,218.67
Cash on hand January 1, 1947	5,208.67

Grand Total

\$18,427.34

PAYMENTS (continued)

Payments	
Soldiers' Monument	350.00
Recreation:	
Parks and playgrounds, including band concerts	27.10
Public Service Enterprises:	
Cemeteries, including hearse hire	3.50
Unclassified:	
Taxes bought by town	46.94
Other	15.10
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Total Current Maintenance Expenses	\$7,423.49
Interest:	
Parsonage Fund	40.00
Paid on principal of trust funds used by towns	70.62
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Total Interest Payments	\$110.62
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:	
New equipment (Highway)	650.10
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Total Outlay Payments	\$650.10
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:	
Taxes paid to County	1,122.47
Payments to School Districts	6,436.35
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Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions	7,558.82
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Total Payments for all Purposes	\$15,743.03
Cash on hand December 31, 1947	2,684.31
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Grand Total	18,427.34

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$10,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Libraries, Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Fire Department, Equipment	350.00
Highway Department, Equipment	1,500.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	1,500.00
Equipment	300.00
All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds	700.00
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Total	\$15,350.00

## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

For the year ending December 31, 1947

Auto permits issued, 136 Jan. 1, 1947 to Dec. 31, 1947	\$338.47
Paid Treasurer	335.66
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Balance Due	\$2.81
Dog licenses 1946:	
1 Female	\$5.00
1 Male	2.00
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	\$7.00
Less fees	.40
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Paid Treasurer	\$6.60
Dog licenses 1947:	
12 Spayed Dogs @ \$2.00	\$24.00
32 Male Dogs @ \$2.00	64.00
4 Females @ \$5.00	20.00
1 Kennel License @ \$12.00	12.00
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	\$120.00

Less fees @ .20 on 49 dogs 9.80

Paid Treasurer \$110.20

Charles I. Brock  
Town Clerk

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### TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Summary of Warrant

Levy of 1947

—Dr.—

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property taxes and

National Bank Stock Taxes \$11,962.26

Poll Taxes 306.00

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes \$211.22

Poll Taxes 10.00

Interest Collected .12

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Total Debits \$12,489.60

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Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes and

National Bank Stock Taxes \$8,765.27

Poll Taxes 170.00

Interest Collected .12

Abatements 114.51

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Poll Taxes on hand Dec. 31, 1947 6.00

Property Taxes on Hand

Dec. 31, 1947 78.54

Uncollected as per collector's list

Property taxes 3,209.16

Poll Taxes 146.00

Total Credits \$12,489.60

Summary of Tax Sales Accounts  
As of Dec. 31, 1947

Tax Sale on 1946 Levy	
Taxes Sold to Town during	
Current Fiscal year	\$35.11
Interest	1.65
Cost of Sale	10.18
Total	\$46.94

John J. Pinard  
Tax Collector

Summary of Warrant

Levy of 1946

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes as of May 2, 1947:		
Property Taxes	\$271.80	
Poll taxes	8.00	
		\$279.80
Interest Collected during year ended		
December 31, 1947		\$10.51
Costs Collected during year ended		10.18
December 31, 1947		
Total Debits		\$300.49

—Cr.—

Remittances to Treasurer during year		
ended December 31, 1947:		
Property Taxes	\$216.89	
Poll Taxes	8.00	
Interest collected	10.51	



Costs collected during years	10.18
Abatements	19.80
Taxes bought by town	35.11

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Total Credits \$300.49

### TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on hand January 1, 1947 \$5,208.67

#### Receipts

State of New Hampshire

From Town's share Old

Age Assistance

Harriett Phillips \$50.00

Jacob M. Phillips 75.00

Albion McLaren, Est. 649.51

From Class V. Highways 650.00

Interest & Dividends 52.45

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\$1,476.96

From Town Hall Rental

Selectmen \$117.00

Grange 58.00

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\$175.00

From Selectmen, Sale of Grader 75.00

From Ralph S. Follansbee, 2 cords wood 25.00

From Clyde J. Eaton, Reimburse Insurance  
Estate Albion McLaren Est. 19.15

From Thomas LaCava  
Fire Fighter Angle Pond, Chas. Japp. 7.50

From B. A. Love, Fire Warden  
Undisbursed balance Atkinson  
fire John LeGasse \$7.70

Undisbursed balance Hampstead  
fire John LeGasse 10.50

Reimbursement Hampstead fire	
L. Duston	392.10
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	\$410.30
From C. I. Drowne 1946 Collector of Taxes	\$1,353.22
From John J. Pinard 1947 Collector of Taxes	\$9,216.08
From C. I. Brock, Clerk	
Auto Permits	335.66
Dog Licenses	116.80
Filing fees, candidates	8.00
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	\$18,427.34
Less Selectmen's Orders Paid	\$15,743.03
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Cash Balance on hand	\$2,684.31

Priscilla D. Bassett,  
Treasurer

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## DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

### TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

C. Burton French, Selectman	\$102.00
T. A. LaCava, Selectman	169.00
Edgar F. Moritz, Selectman	106.60
James L. Paine, Selectman	46.00
Charles I. Brock, Town Clerk	50.00
John J. Pinard, Tax Collector	138.51
Priscilla D. Bassett, Treasurer	60.00
Maude L. Holmes, Auditor	15.00
Bernard A. Love, Auditor	15.00
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	702.11

## TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Edson C. Eastman Co., office supplies	4.81
Association of N. H. Assessors, dues	2.00
James L. Paine	4.97
News-Enterprise Press, Town Reports	140.00
Lena M. Kelly, stamps	6.26
R. K. Bassett, bonds	17.50
Edson C. Eastman, office supplies	8.36
Thomas A. LaCava, mileage	5.80
R. K. Bassett, bonds	23.00
Ralph Barnes	6.00
Sargent Bros., collector's bills	10.95
John J. Pinard	10.18
Charles I. Brock	57.50
C. Burton French, mileage	2.80
	300.13

## ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

C. I. Drowne, moderator	5.00
John B. Holmes, Junior supervisor	9.00
Byron E. Kelley, supervisor	9.00
Harland W. Rand, supervisor	5.00
Maude L. Holmes, ballot clerk	4.00
Bertha S. Blye, ballot clerk	4.00
Stephen A. Buckley, ballot clerk	4.00
Raymond K. Bassett, ballot clerk	4.00
Rush-A-Service, ballots	7.75
	\$51.75

## TOWN HALL AND OTHER BUILDINGS

N. H. Gas and Electric	57.62
Sandown Tel. Co.	22.73
James L. Paine, Janitor	16.00

Raymond S. Bassett, janitor	101.00
Kenneth S. Mitchell, screen repair & repl.	60.70
C. Henry Lanz, piano tuning	10.00
Priscilla D. Bassett, paint	4.95

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\$273.00

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Ralph D. Barnes	182.35
John J. Pinard	2.00
W. S. Darley, badges	11.41
Nahum J. Blanchard	15.55

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\$211.31

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

L. E. Duston	12.20
Bernard A. Love, Lesberg fire	15.70
State of N. H., 6 knapsacks	45.00
L. G. Smith, supplies	18.21
B. A. Love, out of town fires, patrol	618.97
B. A. Love, Hampstead fire	11.90
B. A. Love, fire calls	19.92
Hampstead Fire Assoc., Bonce fire	25.00
Chester Vol. Fire Dept., Pervere fire	25.00
Hampstead Fire Assoc., Pervere fire	45.00

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\$836.90

#### BOUNTIES

A. I. Drowne, 3 porcupines	1.50
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#### DAMAGE BY DOGS

Wheeler and Clark, dog tags	3.64
Ralph D. Barnes, dog calls	30.50

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\$34.14

## VITAL STATISTICS

Charles I. Brock	\$13.50
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### TOWN MAINTENANCE, SUMMER

Clyde J. Eaton, brush cutting	\$22.00
Fred J. Hayford, brush cutting	33.60
Lewis J. Sinskie, brush cutting	23.00
John A. Geisser, brush cutting	52.80
Ralph S. Follansbee, payroll and eq.	850.15
	\$981.55

### TOWN MAINTENANCE, WINTER

Ralph S. Follansbee, payroll and eq.	\$1,273.80
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### CLASS V ROAD MAINTENANCE

R. S. Follansbee, payroll and eq.	\$650.00
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### GENERAL EXPENSES OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

John L. Lagasse, welding plow	35.00
R. C. Hazelton Co., plow blade bolts	28.26
R. C. Hazelton Co., plow blades	49.52
John L. Lagasse, welding plow	31.00
Hazelton's Garage, welding on V-plow	3.00
Ralph S. Follansbee	5.00
Oliver A. Benoit, road equipment rep.	15.00
R. S. Follansbee, remove and replace Rd. signs	20.00
R. S. Follansbee, 2 blades	5.00
Ray Road Equipment, repair parts	17.80
R. S. Follansbee, small cutting tools	19.40
Willard Dinsmore, misc. items	7.80
R. C. Hazelton, equipment parts	211.34
Haverhill Sign Co., Highway guides	135.00

Oliver A. Benoit, equip. repair	10.00
Pawtucket Hardware, extra light	6.35

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\$599.47

#### LIBRARY

Eugene D. Sanborn, Agent	
Insurance Premium on books	6.25
Anna M. Enman, Treas. Library	60.00

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\$66.25

#### OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

State of New Hampshire	600.70
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#### MEMORIAL AND OLD HOME DAY

John J. Pinard, officer	8.00
Edna K. French, Sec. Old Home Day	16.00
C. W. Clark, officer	4.00

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\$28.00

#### PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

Ben Kenney, labor	18.00
R. S. Follansbee, hauling sand	9.10

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27.10

#### SOLDIERS' MONUMENT

C. I. Drowne, Treas. War Mem. Fund	350.00
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#### CEMETERIES

William Hutchinson, labor	.70
Roy Hutchinson, labor	.70
Charles Clark, labor	.70
Wendall Bassett, labor	.70
Donald Bassett, labor	.70

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\$3.50

## TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN

John J. Pinard	\$46.94
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### INTEREST

R. K. Bassett, Agent, Parsonage Fund	40.00
R. K. Bassett, Treas. Trust Funds	70.62
	\$110.62

### TOWN ROAD AID

Treasurer, State of N. H.	\$356.74
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### NEW EQUIPMENT

R. C. Hazelton, snow plow	\$650.10
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### UNCLASSIFIED

Frank B. Nay, names of deceased	.50
J. W. A. Green, Register of Deeds	14.60
	\$15.10

## PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS

County Tax	1,122.47
School District	6,436.35
	\$7,558.82
Grand Total	\$15,743.03

## REPORT OF RALPH S. FOLLANSBEE ROAD AGENT

Received from Selectmen	\$2,773.95
Paid out as follows:	
Winter Maintenance	1,273.80
Summer Maintenance	1,500.15
	\$2,773.95

## WINTER MAINTENANCE

Roy Hutchinson	\$30.10
Raymond K. Bassett	30.40
Raymond S. Bassett	29.00
Richard Kelley	11.20
Charley Clark	3.50
Norman L. Follansbee	49.00
Leon Follansbee	18.40
Ralph S. Follansbee	1,003.40
Benjamin Kenney	90.60
William Hutchinson	4.20
Clarence Merrick, Jr.	4.00
	\$1,273.80

## SUMMER MAINTENANCE

Ralph S. Follansbee	\$879.50
Harry George	66.50
Norman L. Follansbee	56.00
James Paine	16.00
Woodbury Pervere	39.20
Maurice LeClare	11.20
Stanley Johnson	48.00
Thomas Kent	5.60
William Seeking	20.30
Benjamin Kenney	69.10
Raymond S. Bassett	72.50
R. E. Webber	41.85
Roy Hutchinson	30.30
Charley Clark	1.40
Henry Webber	11.25
Levi Duston	11.25
George Roberts	7.70
Raymond K. Bassett	3.75
William Hutchinson	15.40
Clide Eaton	6.00
Everett Huckins	64.25



James Towle	4.50
Priscilla Bassett	18.60
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	\$1,500.15

**REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF  
TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS FOR 1947.**

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1947	\$114.09
Receipts	
From Town—Interest on note	\$70.62
From First Nat'l. Bank, Derry—Interest	1.52
From U. S. Treasury—Interest	18.00
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	\$90.14
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	\$204.23

Expenditures

Labor in Cemeteries	
W. S. Pervere	\$21.60
Wendell Bassett	12.90
Donald Bassett	11.40
R. K. Bassett	9.00
James L. Paine	8.10
Olive Huckins	4.20
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	\$67.20
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Balance of Income on hand	\$137.03
Post War Fund—Capital Reserve—	
Deposit in Savings Bank, Derry, N. H.	\$1,058.96

Trustees of Trust Funds

Raymond K. Bassett

Treasurer

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF SANDOWN ON DECEMBER 31, 1947

Date of Creation	TRUST FUNDS— PURPOSE OF CREATION	HOW INVESTED	Amount of Principal	Rate of Interest	Balance of Income on Hand at Beginning of Year.	Income During Year.	Expended During Year.	Balance of Income on Hand at End of Year.
Dec. 15, 1897	Eleanor Bagley Fund .....	Town Note .....	50.00	2½%		1.25	1.25	
Oct. 1, 1913	Hannah T. French Fund .....	Town Note .....	50.00	2½		1.25	1.25	
Jan. 1, 1918	Justin Sanborn Fund .....	Town Note .....	100.00	2½	6.30	2.50	2.50	6.30
Dec. 7, 1922	Martha H. Ordway Fund .....	Town Note .....	300.00	2½	2.75	7.50	7.00	3.25
Feb. 2, 1926	Elizabeth B. Grainger Fund .....	Town Note .....	400.00	2½	15.00	10.00	7.00	18.00
Mar. 8, 1927	Sophronia W. Currier Fund .....	Town Note .....	500.00	2½	40.00	12.50	7.00	45.50
Sept. 4, 1929	Hattie M. Clark Fund .....	Town Note .....	100.00	2½	2.75	2.50	2.50	2.75
Sept. 1, 1930	Emma J. Stanley Fund .....	Town Note .....	500.00	2½	35.35	12.50	7.00	40.85
	"Rufus Fellows Lot" .....							
July 20, 1933	Nellie J. Darbe Fund .....	Town Note .....	75.00	2½		1.87	1.87	
Mar. 5, 1932	Sarah J. Mills Fund .....	Town Note .....	100.00	2½	2.75	2.50	2.50	2.75
	"Gust P. Mills Lot" .....							
April 9, 1934	Lisette Hunt Sanborn .....	Town Note .....	100.00	2½		2.50	2.50	
	Agnes Hunt Bradbury .....							

Nov. 17, 1934	Martha H. Ordway Fund .....	Town Note -----	500.00	2½	3.69	12.50	7.06	9.13
Jan. 7, 1935	Lisette Hunt Sanborn -----	Town Note -----	50.00	2½		1.25	1.25	
June 15, 1938	Agnes Hunt Bradbury -----	Savings Bank -----	50.00	1½		.76	.76	
	C. Ida Sanborn Fund .....							
	"Moses Sanborn and William Tilton Lots" .....							
Aug. 13, 1939	Harriet M. Goodwin Fund -----	U. S. Bonds -----	200.00	2¾	5.50	5.50	2.50	8.50
Oct. 15, 1940	Anna Cate Fund -----	Savings Bank -----	50.00	1½		.76	.76	
Apr. 1, 1943	Robert H. Sanborn Fund -----	U. S. Govt. Bonds -----	100.00	2½		2.50	2.50	
Apr. 12, 1943	Mabel Poor Fund -----	U. S. Govt. Bonds -----	100.00	2½		2.50	2.50	
	"Grover lot" -----							
July 6, 1944	William O. Patten Fund -----	U. S. Gov. Bonds -----	100.00	2½		2.50	2.50	
Sept. 20, 1945	Blake Fund -----	U. S. Govt. Bonds -----	200.00	2½		5.00	5.00	
	"Tilton and Fellows Lots" -----							
			\$3,625.00		\$114.09	90.14	67.20	137.03
Dec. 7, 1944	Post War Fund "Cap. Reserve" -----	Savings Bank -----	\$1,044.50			\$14.46		

John B. Holmes, Sr., Woodbury S. Pervere, Raymond K. Bassett, Trustees.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

This is to certify that we have carefully examined the accounts of the Tax Collector, Clerk, Treasurer, Selectmen, Road Agent, Trustees of Trust Funds and Library Trustees for the fiscal year ending December 31st, 1947 and find them correctly cast and properly vouched with a balance due the town of \$2.81 by Charles I. Brock, Town Clerk and a balance due the town of \$84.54 by John J. Pinard, Collector.

Bernard A. Love  
Maude L. Holmes  
Auditors

January 29, 1948

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## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT

January 31, 1948

Feb. 1, 1947 Cash on hand	\$19.80	
July 28, 1947		
Received from Selectmen	60.00	
Dec. 29, 1947		
Received from Selectmen	5.00	
Due from Town	33.75	
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		\$118.55
Paid Librarian	\$37.00	
Books and magazines	70.32	
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		\$107.32
Jan. 31, 1948		
Cash on hand to balance		\$11.23

Anna M. Enman  
Treasurer

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

January 1, 1947—December 31, 1947

Number of Adults present	595
Number of children present	228
Number of books loaned	474
Number of magazines loaned	163
Number of books bought	35
Number of cards issued	132
Issued during year	10

Books have been donated by Mrs. LaCarva, Mrs. James Pinard, Mrs. Alice Cunningham, and Mr. Whitford. Magazines have been donated by Mrs. Charles Brock, and Mrs. Anna Enman, all of which are much appreciated.

Eleanor L. Bassett  
Librarian

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## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE OFFICERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SANDOWN, N. H.

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### OFFICERS OF SANDOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT 1947

#### SCHOOL BOARD

Maud E. Eaton, Chairman	Term expires 1948
Nellie K. Geisser	Term expires 1949
Stephen A. Buckley	Term expires 1950

#### SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Arthur W. Danielson, M. Ed.

#### TREASURER

Edith D. Love

**MODERATOR**

Bernard A. Love

**CLERK**

Marguerite Drowne

**AUDITOR**

Charles B. French

**ATTENDANCE OFFICER**

John B. Holmes

**SCHOOL NURSE**

Mrs. Constance Cooper, R. N.

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**SCHOOL WARRANT**

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**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

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To the Inhabitants of the School District in the town of Sandown qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the fifth day of March 1948, at eight o'clock in the evening, 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 if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.

9. To see if the district will vote, pending acceptance by the town, to remodel, recondition and re-equip the Community Hall in accordance with posted plan suggested by the State Board of Education so that in addition to the present services rendered by the hall, it may serve also as a two room school house for the district.

10. To see if the district will authorize the school board to issue ten year serial notes or bonds not exceeding \$12,000. in amount upon the credit of the district in accordance with the municipal bond act chapter 72 and as amended in the laws of 1947 chapter 156, the discretion of fixing the time and place of payment of such notes or bonds and the rate of interest thereon and of providing for the sale thereof to be delegated to the School Board; the sum or any portion thereof must be expended for the remodelling, reconditioning and re-equipping of the Community Hall so that in addition to present services rendered by the building, it may serve also as a two room school house for the district.

11. To see if the district will vote to continue the School Board, the Board of Selectmen and Mr. John J. Pinard as a building committee with full responsibility and authority to pursue the proposed work in accordance with posted plan suggested by the State Board of Education and with full authority to contract and order payment of bills in relation to the proposed project. The

duties of this committee shall terminate upon the acceptance by the school district of the committee's report of completion which shall include a detailed and audited financial accounting of all expenditures.

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

Given under our hands at said Sandown this 20th day of January, 1948.

Maud E. Eaton  
Nellie K. Geisser  
Stephen A. Buckley  
School Board of Sandown

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### SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET

From July 1, 1948 to June 30, 1949

To be voted on at the annual School District meeting, March 5, 1948.

Support of Schools:

Teachers' Salaries	\$4,200.00
Text Books	100.00
Scholar's Supplies	155.00
Flags and Appurtenances	5.00
Other Expenses of Instruction	25.00
Janitor Service	150.00
Fuel	200.00
Water, Light, Janitors' Supplies	85.00
Minor Repairs and Expenses	200.00
Health Supervision	135.00
Transportation of Elementary pupils	900.00
Transportation of Sanborn Seminary pupils	15.70
Other Special Activities	10.00
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	\$6,180.70

Other Statutory Requirements:

Salaries of District Officers \$142.00



Truant Officer and School Census	10.00	
Superintendent's excess salary	126.00	
Per Capita Tax	88.00	
High School Tuition	2,250.00	
Teachers' Retirement	200.00	
Superintendents' Retirement	10.00	
Administration	100.00	
Insurance	20.00	
		<u>\$2,944.00</u>

Total Amount Required to Meet		
School Board's Budget		\$9,124.70
Estimated Income of District:		
State Aid (Dec. 1947 allotment)	\$3,683.33	
Dog Tax (estimate)	50.00	
		<u>\$3,733.33</u>

Assessment required to balance		
School Board's Budget		\$5,391.37

Respectfully submitted,  
Maud E. Eaton  
Nellie K. Geisser  
Stéphen A. Buckley  
School Board of Sandown

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**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE  
SCHOOL BOARD**

July 1, 1946 to June 30, 1947

Receipts

Cash on hand July 1, 1946	\$105.47
Equalization Fund for Elementary Schools	1,704.41
Support of Elementary Schools	3,318.96
Payment of High School Tuition	1,628.79

Salaries of District Officers	142.00
Payment of Per Capita Tax	72.00
Other obligations	206.64
Dog licenses	67.96

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Total Receipts \$7,246.23

Payments

Salaries of District Officers	\$142.00
Town's Share of Superintendent's Salary	125.58
Truant Officer, School Census	10.00
Expenses of Administration	71.06
Principals' and Teachers' Salaries	2,921.45
Text Books	61.60
Scholars' Supplies	74.83
Other Expenses of Instruction	37.60
Janitor Services	144.00
Water, Light and Janitor Supplies	99.86
Minor Repairs and Expenses	149.45
Medical Inspection	109.93
Transportation of Pupils	900.00
Transportation to Sanborn Seminary	15.60
Fuel	199.00
High School and Academy Tuition	1,628.79
Other Special Activities	12.30
Insurance and Other Fixed Charges	16.00
Tax for State Wide Supervision	72.00
Cash on hand June 30, 1947	455.18

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\$7,246.23

Jonathan A. Osgood  
Superintendent

Maud E. Eaton

Nellie K. Geisser

Stephen A. Buckley

School Board of Sandown

### AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the School Board of Sandown, N. H. of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947 and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

Charles B. French

Auditor

July 3, 1947

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### REPORT OF TREASURER SCHOOL DISTRICT

June 30, 1946 to June 30, 1947

Fiscal year ending June 30, 1947

School District of Sandown

#### Summary

Cash on hand June 30, 1946	\$105.47
Received from Selectmen	\$5,368.39
Received from Dog Tax	67.96
Received from State Treasurer	1,704.41
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Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$7,246.23
Less School Board Orders Paid	6,791.05
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Balance on Hand as of June 30, 1947	\$455.18

Edith D. Love

District Treasurer

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### AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Sandown, of

which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947 and find them correct in all respects.

Charles B. French  
Auditor

July 7, 1947.

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## SUPERINTENDENT'S ANNUAL REPORT

To the Citizens and School Board of Sandown:

Following is my first report as your new Superintendent. As I was elected to this position only four months ago most of the statistics will cover Mr. Osgood's last year as Superintendent.

Sandown is fortunate in having two teachers who work for the best interest of the child in molding better citizens for tomorrow. Mrs. Allen is again with us at the Pine School. While Miss Joan Moody replaces Mrs. Sinskie at the Clark School. Public assemblies put on by both schools have been well attended and enjoyed by townspeople.

The Clark School is in very poor repair and if operated next year much expense will be necessary. The playgrounds at both schools are very inadequate and the lack of playground equipment works a hardship on the teachers. Sanitary conditions are not up to standard in either school. Sandown like many towns is at the crossroads in education. Improvement of some sort is imperative.

Pupils in all grades except grade one have been given Standard Achievement tests. The results show that the pupils are doing as well as in previous years.

In closing, I wish to express my appreciation to

the School Board, teachers, pupils and citizens of Sandown for their hearty cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Arthur W. Danielson  
 Superintendent

### STATISTICAL DATA

1946-1947

	by Schools			
	1945	1946	Clark	Pine Grove
No. pupils enrolled	35	40	23	17
Average membership	27.6	32.4	17.4	15.0
Number tardinesses	18	5	2	3
Average % attendance	92.2	96.3	97.1	95.4
No. completed Grade 8	3	4	3	1
No. attending High School	11			
Visits by School Nurse	33	34	18	16
Visits by Superintendent	30	27	13	14
Visits by Others	34	97	24	73

Enrollment September 1947:

Clark School 20      Pine Grove 16      Total 36

Pupils who completed Grade 8, June 1947

Bassett, William I.  
 Clark, Howard E.  
 Hutchinson, Kenneth  
 Kelley, Norman

Pupils not absent nor tardy (1946-1947)

Name	Parent
Kenneth Bassett	Raymond Bassett
June Drowne	Albert Drowne
Frank Ray	Alvin Ray
Henry Woodward	Elmer Woodward
Virginia Woodward	Elmer Woodward

Pupils attending High School (September, 1947),

Sanborn Seminary, Kingston

SENIORS

Hutchinson, Roy

Kelley, Dorice

JUNIORS

Bassett, Donald

Bassett, Wendell

Clark, Constance

Drowne, Marjorie

SOPHOMORES

Follansbee, Norma

Follansbee, Stacia

Oberle, Martha

FRESHMEN

Bassett, William

Clark, Howard

Hutchinson, Kenneth

PINKERTON ACADEMY

JUNIOR

Shepard, Joyce

SOPHOMORES

DeCourcy, Joan

Kelley, Edward

FRESHMAN

Kelley, Norman

## COMPARATIVE PER PUPIL COSTS

	Population	Equalized Valuation 1947-1948	Property Rate % 1947	Per Pupil Cost Of Public Elem. Schools 1945-1946
Dummer	272	401,303	\$4.00	\$129.13
Langdon	276	303,091	\$3.85	\$174.14
Nelson	282	472,896	\$3.50	\$145.44
Marlow	288	286,979	\$3.85	\$112.11
Sandown	292	306,213	\$3.05	\$166.66
So. Hampton	294	325,593	\$2.90	\$148.49
Stoddard	300	427,446	\$2.80	\$133.43
Lempster	312	251,513	\$5.00	\$110.91
Croydon	312	414,240	\$3.42	\$143.19
Newbury	332	1,454,074	\$2.65	\$239.74

Average Per Pupil Cost: \$109.11

Median: \$121.14

## HEALTH SUPERVISION

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To the Superintendent of Schools and School Board  
of Sandown, N. H.

Of the 32 pupils examined during the school year  
1946-1947, the following cases were found and treat-  
ment was given as indicated:

	No.	No.	No.
	Cases	Receiving Treatment	Corrections or Improved
Underweight	3	3	
Nervous condition	2	2	
Defective teeth	6		4
Diseased tonsils	2		2
Enlarged glands	3	3	
Hearing	3	3	
Pediculosis	2		2
Skin diseases	9		9
Number vaccinated	32		

Health program of the Sandown Schools consist  
of yearly physical examinations of eyes, ears, throats,  
etc. This examination is followed up by home calls to  
secure corrected work which is needed.

Schools are visited every other week, for inspec-  
tion and anything else which requires attention. In  
cases of epidemics the nurse is there daily.

We are fortunate in having an unusual healthy  
group of school children and very solicitous parents.

The cooperation of the parents and school officials  
is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,  
Constance Cooper, R. N.



## MUSIC DEPARTMENT

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To the Superintendent and the School Board of Sandown, New Hampshire:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Music Department.

Music should correlate with a broad cultural development. It should never be thought of as a specialized, limited scheme of training. This, therefore, means a definite correlation with other subjects. It has been the aim of the Music Department to carry out this plan in an enjoyable and interesting fashion.

In Sandown, the children have been taught Early American dances, folk tunes of many countries, and, at the same time enunciation and understanding of the musical content have been stressed.

The pupils of both schools will join forces in the spring to give an operetta. This performance will be for the public and will include all students.

Both schools are badly in need of a piano. It would be greatly appreciated if this matter could be taken care of by some individual or organization that might have a piano not being used at the present time.

In conclusion, may I express my appreciation to those who have made this school year such a pleasant and worthwhile venture.

Respectfully submitted,  
Prudence Hayes

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## REPORT OF THE INTERIM COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL HOUSING

### Introductory

In accordance with the article of warrant passed at the regular district meeting of 1947, the committee has met a number of times during the year to discuss the

problem. Subcommittees of one or two individuals were appointed by the chairman, to work out details of information and to hold conferences with representatives of the state Board of Education concerning its more specific requirements. Your committee has endeavored to establish what would be the best possible solution to the school housing problem. Enough work has been done, it is felt, to fix the course which should be adopted by the district.

Five possible solutions to the housing problem were considered by your committee and they are presented with recommendations in the following discussion.

### **Present Schools**

Allowing housing conditions to remain as they are, in the opinion of your committee, out of the question. For a period of at least twenty years dissatisfaction with our school housing system has been expressed in more than one quarter. These school houses constitute a hazard to health due to lack of adequate water supply and waste elimination systems, two admittedly major problems of everyday living. The question of unnecessary fire hazard has been raised repeatedly.

Our State Board of Education has long advocated the abolition of these inefficient one room school houses and in the last ten years has succeeded in removing five hundred of these outmoded buildings throughout the state. At one time there were about twenty-eight hundred such buildings in the state and due to the efforts of the state board only about two hundred of these buildings now remain. The tendency is to forego the little one room school house of the past in favor of structures more attuned to the educational requirements of the present. Towns all about us have

already built fine schools or are now actively planning new or modified structures for early construction. Some have voiced the opinion that this is not the time to make any changes. Apparently the same philosophy has been applied for the past twenty years or more in Sandown, with the very unsatisfactory result that we are now facing.

Your committee, therefore, recommends that something material be done this year to improve our present inadequate school housing.

### Centralizing Present School Buildings

This solution of the problem presupposes that the present one room school houses are in themselves acceptable for our modern educational requirements and that their only defect is one of location. It presupposes that, if these buildings were removed from their present situations and placed together in a more central position, such as the Seeley property contiguous to the town cemetery, all requirements would be met. However, such is far from the actuality. It must be remembered that these one room school houses were built at a time when our system of education was in its evolutionary stages and that these buildings were not constructed with any consideration for our present day requirements. These buildings represent a period in education which has practically disappeared.

It might be added, however, that even if the buildings were acceptable, there is considerable doubt as to whether they could be moved to a Central location without considerable damage to buildings and property due to the narrow road clearances.

It would be advisable, therefore, by a considerable margin, to leave the present school buildings just where they are and sell them. This will provide a cash income of about two thousand dollars and will, of

course, increase our taxable property by the same amount.

### **Move and Remodel the Railroad Station**

Much cannot be said for this possibility. The building can be moved to the Seeley lot has been suggested. However, most of the arguments against the moving of the school houses apply more so in this case.

The building, in its original layout and construction, was built with no thought whatsoever for educational purposes and consequently would have to be completely reshaped as well as moved.

Your committee recommends that this idea be completely discarded as impractical and, of course, costly. Two builders consulted on the matter stated that no one in their opinion would accept the responsibility of attempting such an impractical proposition, far less offer an estimate on the cost.

### **New School Building**

During conferences with Mr. Farnum of the State Board of Education, detailed plans of proposed and finished school houses and their estimated and actual costs were presented and discussed. Costs of frame structures varied from ten to twenty thousand dollars. Brick construction varied from ten to forty thousand dollars. Adjusting these costs to present day price levels and to local conditions, we estimate that a fully equipped framed two room school would cost not less than twenty thousand dollars and one of brick construction would cost more.

The present net debt limit of Sandown is about seventeen thousand dollars which amount would hardly provide for a suitable framed structure. Therefore, chiefly because of high initial cost and our limited borrowing power, a new school is definitely out of the

question not only for this year but for a number of years to come.

### Remodel Community Hall

Although a new school building is out of the question, the principle of a consolidated, centrally located school house need not be. The idea of using our Community Hall for a consolidated, centrally located two room school retains practically all the desirable advantages of a new building. The Community Hall, although maintained for constant use, is actually used a small part of the year. This building represents an investment now valued at ten thousand dollars, yet the returns from the investment have consistently been small and in latter years actual net losses have been recorded. Our Hall apparently intended to provide for increasing community activity is slowly but surely falling into disuse and will eventually, if the present downhill trend continues, become a complete loss. Yet with minor changes and considerable re-equipping the lower floor of the hall could be converted into a busy active and very useful two room school.

It was the unqualified opinion of the State Board of Education that the hall should be used if space requirements would permit it. A subcommittee set up a scaled plan of both floors and submitted the same to Mr. Farnum of the State Board of Education for space study with the proviso that none of the present services and facilities be sacrificed in whatever layout the Board may recommend to the committee. The result of Mr. Farnum's study is a plan which has been approved by your committee as a very practical one. In addition to the changes proposed within the building, a room will be added on the easterly side of the hall to provide for a library, a chain link fence will be provided along the westerly side of the road to insure the safety of the

children at play; and a playground will be developed at the rear of the building.

It is estimated that the cost of the remodeling and re-equipping will amount to about twelve thousand dollars at the outside and that the cost of maintenance of the entire building will be about one thousand dollars yearly. It should be added however, that the maintenance will be of a higher order than that now provided either the present school buildings or the community hall.

Since the present maintenance for all town buildings is in the vicinity of seven hundred dollars per year, the net increase in this item would amount to three hundred dollars per year. On the basis of ten year serial notes or bonds at three percent, the debt payment for the first year would amount to approximately eighteen hundred and sixty dollars thus increasing the tax rate about forty-eight cents per hundred at present valuation. Although, we are not in a position to figure the exact amount, it is known that due to consolidation, additional state aid will be extended.

It has been stated by some members of the district that the town has not the right, under the terms of the original property grant, to use the Community Hall for other than a town hall. Let it be emphasized here that the Community Hall Association sold the structure and surrounding land to the town for the sum of one dollar with the only provision that if the town saw fit to sell the property the proceeds from the sale "shall be devoted to the educational purposes of said town."

The committee unanimously recommends that the Community Hall be remodelled and re-equipped in general accordance with the plan posted with your school warrant. To this end, articles 9, 10, and 11 have

been inserted in the school warrant, and articles 6 in the town warrant for favorable action.

Respectfully submitted,

Interim Committee on School Housing

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*Births, Marriages and Deaths*

*Registered in the*

**TOWN OF SANDOWN**

*For the Year Ending*

*December 31, 1947*

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Births Registered in the Town of Sandown for the Year Ending December 31st, 1947.

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1947 Sept. 29	Exeter	Linda Jean Deveau	f Francis E. Deveau	Bertha M. Follansbee
Jan. 11	E. Derry	Suzanne Mary Drown	f Ralph E. Drown	Pearl L. Taylor
Jan. 1	Sandown	Elizabeth Jane Geisser	f John Adams Geisser, Jr.	Nellie K. Abbott
May 22 1883	E. Derry	Steven Joseph Herman	f John O. Herman	Lois M. Anderson
Mar. 12 1947	Sandown	Delia M. Lablanche	f Joseph Lablanche	Celina Prayeuer
July 1	E. Derry	Santina LaCava	f Thomas LaCava	Beatrice Soloperto
Nov. 4 1946	Haverhill, Mass.	Angela Christine Martin	f Elwin S. Martin	Mary E. Blessington
Dec. 13	Winchester, Mass.	Amanda Wilhelma Perfect	f Ernest G. Perfect	Beatrice A. Webb



Marriages Registered in the Town of Sandown for the Year Ending December 31st, 1947.

Date	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age	Place of Birth of Each	Name of Father	By Whom Married
1947 Sept. 7	Charles J. Bassett Shirley I. Caraway	24 20	Sandown Exeter	Raymond K. Bassett Lawrence M. Caraway	Glenn W. Douglas
June 29	Harry P. Caswell Priscilla Armstrong	28 27	Norfolk, Va. Brockton, Mass.	William C. Caswell Frederick Armstrong	William Maywood
Apr. 26	Lloyd A. Lessard Virginia L. Follansbee	25 20	Danville Derry	Dana Lessard Leon T. Follansbee	Charles Walter Frye
Apr. 12	Allen D. Love Frances I. Greenwood	27 19	Sandown Boston, Mass.	Bernard A. Love Frederick C. Greenwood	Charles Brooks
May 7	Howard R. Shaw Frances DeCoursey	61 40	Somerville, Mass. Boston, Mass.	Thomas R. Shaw Wm. H. Brewster	Charles Brooks
Sept. 14	Charles L. Willey Olive E. Huckins	24 17	New Durham Sandown	Leslie Willey Everett P. Huckins	W. Raymond Pierce
July 27	Harry C. Webb Thirza B. Hathaway	59 44	Bridgeville, Mass. West Newton, Mass.	Edwin C. Webb Harry L. Bruce	Roy K. Bohanan

Deaths Registered in the Town of Sandown for the Year Ending December 31st, 1947.

Date	Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
1947 Aug. 20	Sandown	Bridget Berry	70	Ireland	Thomas Tierney	Unknown
Sept. 13	Brentwood	Martha Ella Drowne	80	Sandown	Perley R. George	Clara Purington
Nov. 18	Sandown	Mary Ellen Drowne	94	Fremont	John Scribner	Mary Currier
July 15	Sandown	Norman Leon Follansbee	17	Derry	Leon T. Follansbee	Olive G. Kimball
Apr. 3	Sandown	Margaret A. Fulton	83	New Brunswick	Unknown	Unknown
Nov. 6	Sandown	Edward E. Kimball	78	Derry	Alonzo W. Kimball	Fidelia
Nov. 4	Haverhill, Mass.	Martin	12	Haverhill, Mass.	Edwin Martin	Mary E. Blessington
May 18	Sandown	Charles Ernest Pervere	39	Sandown	Edwin N. Pervere	Emma F. Simonds
Mar. 8	Sandown	Henry Ellsworth Rand	85	Sandown	Barzilla H. Rand	Sarah Ann Clough
Feb. 14	Derry	Jessie Smith	76	Sandown	Walter Worthen	Nina Johnson
Mar. 3	Fremont	Emma Rand True	89	Sandown	Brazilla H. Rand	Sarah Ann Clough
July 16	Haverhill, Mass.	Eliabeth L. Love	90	Salem	Frank Bryant	Susan Kelly

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
 Charles I. Brock, Town Clerk.



