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FINANCIAL REPORT

Town of Franconia

New Hampshire



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Annual Financial Report

OF THE

Town Officers

OF

FRANCONIA, N. H.

INCLUDING REPORTS OF THE

Trustees of Dow Academy

Chamber of Commerce

School Board and Superintendent

of the School District

FOR THE YEAR ENDING

DECEMBER 31, 1955

COURIER PRINTING COMPANY, INC.
LITTLETON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Town Meeting Warrant
(As known February 18, 1956)

Article 1 To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

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

Article 3 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for Pine Blister Rust reserve fund.

Article 4 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to be used for Rag Weed control.

Article 5 To see what action the town will vote to take to provide for the disposal of rubbish and garbage and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Article 6 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for Vital Statistics, the Littleton Hospital and expenses of the Health Department.

Article 7 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000.00 for the purchase of a new truck for the Highway Department.

Article 8 To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintenance of highways and bridges, snow removal, oiling of its roads, and for Town Road Aid.

Article 9 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,300.00 for the lighting of streets for the ensuing year.

Article 10 To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the general expenses of the highway department.

Article 11 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 for sidewalk up-keep and repair.

Article 12 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Abbie Greenleaf Library the sum of \$500.00 for librarian's salary and \$100.00 for the purchase of new books.

Article 13 To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for Old Age Assistance.

Article 14 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to be used for proper observance of Memorial Day.

Article 15 To see how much money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for care of its cemeteries.

Article 16 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for a band concert.

Article 17 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$174.34 to the White Mountains Region Association, being 10c per \$1000 of the assessed valuation (1/100th of 1%) for the purpose of issuing and distributing printed matter and advertising and otherwise publicizing the advantages of the town, in cooperation with the other 45 towns in the region.

Article 18 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for maintenance of the Information Booth at the Town Building.

Article 19 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for legal expenses.

Article 20 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 to defray the town's share of Employees' Social Security.

Article 21 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the following: \$2,500 to pay the amount maturing on the Town Building and Water Works bonds; \$1,000 on outstanding Fire Equipment and Garage notes; \$528.86 on outstanding Gale Reservoir Construction notes; \$1,200 on outstanding Mittersill Road Construction notes; also the sum of \$982.87 to pay the interest on said indebtedness and on temporary loans.

Article 22 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,700.00 for payment of the Grafton County Tax.

Article 23 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate necessary funds for Old Home Day Celebration.

Article 24 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$11,000.00 to develop McGowan Spring. The amount raised to include the construction of a reservoir and filter-bed at McGowan Spring; to pipe said reservoir to Howe reservoir and to build a road from McGowan Hill Road to Howe reservoir along the Town's Right-of-Way to maintain said system. Such sum of money as raised by the Town to be borrowed on Long Term Notes. Recommended by Commissioners of Franconia Water Department, John Welch, Merton Shores, Richard Sullivan.

Article 25 To see if the town will vote to contribute the sum of \$25.00 to the N. H. Marine Memorial Commission.

Article 26 To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for Fire Department for new hose and other equipment needed.

Article 27 To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$75.00 for Civil Defense.

Article 28 To see if the town will vote to purchase the so-called D'Urso lot for public use and raise necessary funds for same.

Article 29 To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to allow a discount for early payment of taxes.

Article 30 To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Article 31 To see if the Town will vote to purchase the land owned at present by the Trustees of Dow Academy, located between the river and Academy Street for the sum of one dollar (\$1.00).

Article 32 To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Budget of the Town of Franconia

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Est. Rev. 1955	Act. Rev. 1955	Est. Rev. 1956
From State:			
Interest & Dividends Tax	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 8,974.40	\$ 6,000.00
Savings Bank Tax	45.00	40.73	40.00
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal forest lands	2,000.00	3,028.66	2,000.00
T. R. A.		159.30	
National Forest Reserve	450.00	1,003.15	450.00
Bounties		38.50	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	130.00	116.40	115.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	8.00	8.00	8.00
Rent of Town Hall	800.00	788.00	800.00
Interest Received	50.00	131.71	50.00
Income from Trust Funds	400.00	400.00	400.00
Income of Departments:			
Highway, incl. rent of equip.	200.00	1,624.75	200.00
Head Tax		1,429.50	
Temporary Loan		25,000.00	
Cash on Hand		19,650.09	
Water Departments	1,420.48	1,420.30	1,420.30
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	2,000.00	3,141.79	2,000.00
Sale of Town Property	45.00	30.00	45.00
Refunds		18.41	
Littleton Nat'l. Bank Res. Fund		1,455.24	
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2	400.00	408.00	400.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	41.00	41.00	41.00
Prev. Prop. & Poll Tax		5,019.70	
Tax Sale Redemption		2,353.03	
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Total Revenues From All Sources Except Property Taxes	\$ 13,989.48	\$ 76,280.66	\$ 13,969.30

Budget of the Town of Franconia

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Approp. 1955	Expend. 1955	Est. Exp. 1956
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,966.00	\$ 2,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000.00	1,266.01	1,300.00
Election and Registration Exp.	150.00	146.00	250.00
Expenses Town Hall	3,000.00	3,331.41	3,600.00
Bounties		13.50	
Police Department	400.00	406.54	400.00
Fire Department	900.00	987.16	900.00
Blister Rust	25.00		25.00
Rag Weed Control	50.00		50.00
Civil Defense			75.00
Health Dept., Inc. Hospitals	175.00	129.85	175.00
Vital Statistics	25.00		25.00
Town Dump & Garb. Remov.	1,600.00	1,362.16	1,000.00
Town Maint.—Summer	3,500.00	3,474.29	3,500.00
Town Maint.—Winter	2,000.00	1,974.90	2,000.00
Street Lighting	3,200.00	3,266.18	3,300.00
Expenses Highway Dept.	2,000.00	2,987.72	2,500.00
Town Road Aid	300.00	306.21	300.00
Libraries	1,250.00	1,237.37	600.00
Town Poor		181.34	
Old Age Assistance	350.00	354.84	350.00
Memorial Day	50.00		50.00
Band Concerts	50.00	50.00	50.00
Water Dept. Insurance		3.77	
Cemeteries	1,200.00	1,175.98	1,450.00
Jubilee Celebration	1,000.00	943.45	
Legal Exp., Dog Damage	50.00	75.64	50.00
Adv. and Regional Assoc.	573.69	573.69	674.34
Social Security	250.00	239.67	250.00
Interest:			
On Temporary Loans	199.97	387.47	300.00
On Long Term Notes & Bonds	948.87	948.87	682.87
Outlay For New Construction and Perm. Improv.			
Road Oiling	400.00	832.97	300.00
Sidewalk upkeep & repair	400.00	38.70	700.00
Taxes Bought by Town		2,352.36	
New Equip. & Reserve	4,515.00	4,515.00	4,000.00
Rebate on Taxes		40.89	
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
Temp. Loans		25,000.00	
Bonds	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Long Term Notes	3,200.00	3,200.00	3,200.00
Payment to Capital Reserve Funds		1,101.28	
Fire Dept. New Equip.	800.00	852.38	1,000.00
Head Tax		1,402.05	
County Taxes	3,612.21	3,612.21	3,700.00
School Taxes	44,222.08	41,769.29	42,845.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$ 85,496.82	\$115,007.15	\$ 84,102.21

Condensed Budget

(Submitted for your consideration for the year 1956)

Town officers' salaries	\$ 2,000.00
Town officers' expenses	1,300.00
Election and registration	250.00
Town buildings expense	3,600.00
Police department	400.00
Fire department	900.00
Blister rust control	25.00
Rag weed removal	50.00
Civil Defense	75.00
Health department and Hospital	175.00
Vital statistics	25.00
Town dump and garbage removal	1,000.00
Town maintenance	3,500.00
Snow removal	2,000.00
Street lighting	3,300.00
General expenses of highway dept.	2,500.00
Town Road Aid	300.00
Libraries	600.00
Old age assistance	350.00
Memorial Day	50.00
Band concerts	50.00
Cemeteries	1,450.00
Damages and Legal expense incl. dog damage	50.00
Advertising and regional associations	674.34
Employees' social security	250.00
Interest	982.87
Road oiling	300.00
Sidewalk upkeep and repair	700.00
New equipment and reserve	4,000.00
Payment on principal and debt	5,700.00
Fire department new equipment	1,000.00
Grafton County Tax	3,700.00
School Tax	42,845.00
	\$84,102.21

Inventory of 1955

Lands and buildings	\$1,668,045.00
Mature wood and timber	13,285.00
Electric Plants	60,000.00
8 Horses	425.00
13 oxen	1,005.00
64 cows	7,055.00
500 fowls	450.00
3 portable mills	1,400.00
Wood, lumber, etc.	840.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks	1,800.00
Stock in Trade	15,170.00

\$1,769,475.00

Exempted to Veterans	\$31,700.00
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Property Taxes	\$67,773.23
Poll Taxes	426.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	41.00

Total taxes committed	\$68,240.23
Tax Rate \$3.90	

List of Appropriations for 1955

Town officers' salaries	\$ 1,600.00
Town officers' expenses	1,000.00
Social Security or Retirement	250.00
Election and Registration Expense	150.00
Town Hall expenses	3,000.00
Police department	400.00
Fire department	900.00
Blister rust control	25.00
Health department	75.00
Littleton Hospital	100.00
Dump and garbage	1,600.00
Vital Statistics	25.00
Rag Weed removal	50.00
Town Road Aid	300.00
Town maintenance	3,500.00
Snow Removal	2,000.00
Expenses highway dept.	2,000.00
Oiling roads	400.00
Sidewalk upkeep and repair	400.00
Street lighting	3,200.00
New Equipment	3,500.00
Libraries	1,250.00
Old Age Assistance	350.00
Memorial Day	50.00
Band Concerts	50.00
Information booth	400.00
Jubilee celebration	1,000.00
Cemeteries	1,200.00
Legal expense	50.00
White Mts. Regional Assoc.	173.69
Payment on Bonds	2,500.00
Payment on long-term notes	3,200.00
Fire Department new equipment	800.00
Interest	1,148.84
County Tax	3,612.21
School Tax	44,222.08
	\$84,481.82

*Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures
Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1955*

	Approp.	Expended	Balance	Overdraft
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,966.00		\$ 366.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,000.00	1,266.01		266.01
Social Security	250.00	239.67		
Election and Registration Exp.	150.00	146.00	\$ 10.33	
Town Hall Expenses	3,000.00	3,331.41	4.00	331.41
Police Department	400.00	406.54		6.54
Fire Department	900.00	987.16		87.16
Blister Rust Control	25.00		25.00	
Bounties		13.50		13.50
Health Department	75.00	29.85	45.15	
Littleton Hospital	100.00	100.00		
Vital Statistics	25.00		25.00	
Rag Weed Control	50.00		50.00	
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	1,600.00	1,362.16	237.84	6.21
Town Road Aid	300.00	306.21		
Town Maintenance	3,500.00	3,474.29	25.71	
Snow Removal	2,000.00	1,974.90	25.10	
Expenses Highway Dept.	2,000.00	2,987.72		987.72
Road Oiling	400.00	832.97		432.97
Sidewalks Upkeep and Repair	400.00	38.70	361.30	
Street Lighting	3,200.00	3,266.18		66.18
New Equipment and Reserve	4,515.00	4,515.00		
Libraries	1,250.00	1,237.37	12.63	
Old Age Assistance	350.00	354.84		4.84
Memorial Day	50.00		50.00	
Band Concerts	50.00	50.00		
Information Booth	400.00	400.00		
Jubilee Celebration	1,000.00	943.45	56.55	
Cemeteries	1,200.00	1,175.98	24.02	
Legal Expenses	50.00	75.64		25.64
White Mountains Region Assoc.	173.69	173.69		
Payment on Bonds	2,500.00	2,500.00		
Payment on Long-Term Notes	3,200.00	3,200.00		187.50
Interest	1,148.84	1,336.34		52.38
New Equipment—Fire Dept.	800.00	852.38		
County Taxes	3,612.21	3,612.21		40.89
Rebates on Taxes		40.89		181.34
Town Poor		181.34		
School Tax	44,222.08	(due acct.)		

<i>Town of Franconia</i>	<i>Balance</i>
ASSETS	
Jan. 1, 1956 Cash on Hand	\$22,642.20
Uncollected 1955 Property & Poll Tax	6,027.16
Uncollected 1954 Poll Tax	2.00
Unredeemed 1953 Tax Sale	823.12
Post Office Rent for December	62.50
Bounties, From State of N. H.	13.50
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	\$29,570.48
Excess of Liabilities over assets	
(net debt)	19,342.96
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	\$48,913.44
In Littleton Savings Bank	
Yield Tax Reserve Fund, plus Int.	\$ 1,192.50

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 LIABILITIES

School App. Balance Due	\$22,222.08
State of N. H. Head Tax	246.50
Yield Tax Reserve	16.00
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Current Liabilities	\$22,484.58
Town building and Water Works	
Construction 3% bonds due \$2,500.00	
in Sept. of each year 1956 and 1957	5,000.00
Fire Equip. and Garage Long term	
notes 2½% interest due \$1,000.00	
in November each year	2,000.00
Gale Reservoir Construction notes	
3% interest payable \$528.86 in	
July, 1956	528.86
Mittersill Road Construction notes	
3% interest payable \$1,200 in December	
of each year 1956 to 1971	18,900.00
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Total Liabilities	\$48,913.44

Schedule of Town Property

Land and Buildings :	
Town building and land	\$32,000.00
Library, including Equipment	28,000.00
Land for dump	600.00
Gravel pit	50.00
Equipment :	
Highway department	10,015.00
Fire department	12,852.00
Town office furn. & fixtures	300.00
Cemeteries	250.00
Franconia Water Department	43,537.71
	\$127,604.71

Report of Town Clerk

Auto Permits	3,141.79	
Dog Licenses less fees	116.40	
Filing Fees	8.00	
		\$ 3,266.19

Auditor's Statement

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Water Commissioners, Library Trustees and Trustees of the Trust Funds, and find them correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

EVA HODGE
Auditor

***DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION
Concord, New Hampshire***

March 31, 1955

Board of Selectmen
Franconia, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of an examination and audit of the accounts of Mrs. Lillian Bowles, Tax Collector, covering the period from January 1st to March 10th, 1955, which was made by this Division at your request.

The following Exhibits are included:

EXHIBIT A—Summary of Warrant - Levy of 1954

EXHIBIT B—State Head Taxes - Summary of
Warrant - Levy of 1954

EXHIBIT C—Summary of Tax Sale Account - Lev-
ies of 1952 & 1953

Yours very truly,

HAROLD G. FOWLER
Director

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION

Alan R. Matthews, Auditor
Robert W. Flanders, Accountant

EXHIBIT A

TOWN OF FRANCONIA
Tax Levy of 1954—Summary of Warrant
 Period January 1 to March 10, 1955

Debits**Uncollected Taxes—January 1, 1955:**

Property Taxes	\$ 4,535.48
Poll Taxes	40.00
Yield Taxes	504.98

\$ 5,080.46
5.36

Interest Collected

\$ 5,085.82

Credits**Remittances to Treasurer:**

A/c Property Taxes	\$ 1,151.88
A/c Poll Taxes	24.00
A/c Yield Taxes	472.37
A/c Interest	5.36

\$ 1,653.61

Abatements Allowed:

Yield Taxes	\$ 16.61
Poll Taxes	6.00

22.61

Uncollected Taxes—March 10, 1955:

Property Taxes	\$ 3,383.60
Poll Taxes	10.00
Yield Taxes	16.00

3,409.60

\$ 5,085.82

EXHIBIT B

TOWN OF FRANCONIA
State Head Taxes—Summary of Warrant
Levy of 1954

Period January 1 to March 10, 1955

DR.			
Uncollected Head Taxes—January 1, 1955	\$	115.00	
Penalties Collected		8.00	
			\$ 123.00
CR.			
Remittances to Treasurer:			
A/c Head Taxes	\$	80.00	
A/c Penalties		8.00	
Abatements Allowed		5.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes—March 10, 1955		30.00	
			\$ 123.00

EXHIBIT C

TOWN OF FRANCONIA
Summary of Tax Sale Account

Period January 1 to March 10, 1955

Debits	Levies of:	
	1953	1952
Unredeemed Taxes—January 1, 1955	\$850.60	\$ 38.46
Credits		
Unredeemed Taxes—March 10, 1955	\$850.60	\$ 38.46

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Summary of Warrant Property, Poll and Yield Taxes Levy of 1955

Debit

Taxes Committed to Collector		
Property Taxes	\$ 67,773.23	
Poll Taxes	426.00	
Yield Taxes	654.43	
		\$ 68,853.66
Added Taxes		
Property		.98
Poll		40.00
National Bank Stock Taxes		41.00
Interest Collected		11.01
		11.01
Total Debits		\$ 68,946.65

Credit

Remittances to Treasurer		
Property Taxes	\$ 60,714.23	
Poll Taxes	408.00	
Nat. Bank Stock Taxes	41.00	
Yield Taxes	654.43	
Interest Collected	11.01	
Discount Allowed	983.22	
Abatements	107.60	
Uncollected Taxes, Property	5,983.16	
Uncollected Taxes, Poll	44.00	
		\$ 68,946.65
Total Credits		\$ 68,946.65

Abatements

Peter Tavino, veteran	\$ 29.25
Harold Bowles, veteran	39.00
Albert Meyers, over-assessed	25.35
Helen Santy, paid elsewhere	2.00
Arthur Ford, moved from state	2.00
Marjorie Ford, moved from state	2.00
Christine Moore, moved " "	2.00

Leonard Prescott, veteran	2.00
Donald Horne, veteran	2.00
Nina Peabody, wid. of vet.	2.00

\$ 107.60

Uncollected Taxes as of January 1, 1956

John Whitworth	\$ 1,359.15
George de Cuevas	1,096.29
Chalet Call	748.80
Hillside House	608.40
Franconia Village Store	426.07
Gerald Kosch	306.15
Alice Beale, balance	113.99
Alice M. Blondeau	257.40
Osman Johnstone	223.27
Martha M. Brusset	169.65
Clement Houran	150.15
Herbert Calkins	124.80
Arthur Allard	99.45
Philip Ayres Estate	95.94
Marguerite Clapp Estate	81.90
Frank Casey, balance	49.60
Frank Hawes	42.90
Homer Harriman	17.55
Evelyn Shakespeare	7.80
Snow Bunnies Ski Club	3.90
Virginia Allard	2.00
Vivian Blodgett	2.00
Cynthia Blodgett	2.00
Anton Brockelman	2.00
Helen Cassidy	2.00
Mabel Coffran	2.00
Madeline Calkins	2.00
Frank Casey	2.00
Sylvia Casey	2.00
Angie Hall (paid)	2.00
Edward Hall (paid)	2.00
Helen Houran	2.00
Dorothy Jasmin	2.00
Gerald Kosch	2.00
Fred Miner	2.00
Margaret Miner	2.00
Edith Stevens	2.00
Angela Stroup	2.00
Evelina Webster	2.00

Jasper Webster	2.00	
Dowling Stackpole	2.00	
Margaret Harrin	2.00	
		\$ 6,027.16

***Levy of 1954—Summary of Warrant
Period March 10 to December 31, 1955***

Debits

Uncollected Taxes—March 10, 1955		
Property Taxes	\$ 3,383.60	
Poll Taxes	10.00	
Yield Taxes	16.00	
		\$ 3,409.60
Warrant		
Added Poll Tax	2.00	
Interest Collected	115.34	
		\$ 3,526.94

Credits

Remittances to Treasurer		
Property Taxes	\$ 3,352.80	
Poll Taxes	10.00	
Yield Taxes	8.65	
Abatements allowed	38.15	
Uncollected Poll Tax	2.00	
Interest collected	115.34	
		\$ 3,526.94
Abatements		
Jacobs Oil Co.	\$ 9.24	
Ida Elting	21.56	
Clinton Williams	7.35	
		\$ 38.15
Uncollected Poll Tax		
Virginia Allard	\$ 2.00	
Taxes bought by Town all redeemed		

**State Head Taxes—Summary of Warrant
Levy of 1954
Period March 10 to December 31, 1955**

Debits

Uncollected Head Taxes			
March 10	\$	30.00	
Added Tax		5.00	
Penalties Collected		3.00	
Total Debits			\$ 38.00

Credits

Remittances to Treasurer			
Head Taxes	\$	35.00	
Penalties		3.00	
Total Credits			\$ 38.00

**Summary of Tax Sale Accounts
Period March 10 to December 31, 1955**

Debits	1953	Levies of 1952
Unredeemed Taxes March 10, 1955		
Gerald Kosch	\$ 306.68	
Hillside House	516.44	
Ida Elting	27.48	\$ 38.46
	\$ 850.60	\$ 38.46
Credits		
Unredeemed Taxes December 31, 1955		
Gerald Kosch	\$ 306.68	
Hillside House	516.44	
Deeded to Town June 20, 1955		
Ida Elting	27.48	\$ 38.46
Total Credits	\$ 850.60	\$ 38.46

*State Head Tax—Summary of Warrant
Levy of 1955*

Debits

Original Warrant	\$	1,335.00
Added Taxes		160.00
		1,495.00
Total Commitment	\$	1,495.00
Penalties Collected		3.50
		1,498.50
Total Debits	\$	1,498.50

Credits

Remittances to Treasurer		
Head Taxes	\$	1,300.00
Penalties		3.50
Abatements		30.00
Uncollected Taxes		165.00
		1,498.50
Total Credits	\$	1,498.50

Abatements

Marjorie Ford, moved out of state
 Arthur Ford, moved out of state
 Roger Moore, moved out of state
 Christine Moore, moved out of state
 Helen Santy, paid elsewhere
 Robert Santy, paid elsewhere

Uncollected Taxes

Arthur Allard	Angie Hall (paid)
Virginia Allard	Edward Hall (paid)
Vivian Blodgett	Roger Hall
Cynthia Blodgett	Dowling Stackpole
Anton Brockelman	Margaret Harrin
Helen Cassidy	Helen Houran
Mabel Coffran	Clement Houran
Manley Coffran	Dorothy Jasmin
Madeline Calkins	Clayton Jasmin
Herbert Calkins	Gerald Kosch
Silvia Casey	Fred Miner
Frank Casey	Margaret Miner
Leonard Prescott	Robert Stevens
John Whitworth	Edith Stevens
Ira Stroup	Evelina Webster
Angela Stroup	Jasper Webster
James Waters (paid)	

TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on Hand, Jan. 1, 1955	\$ 19,650.09
Lillian Bowles, Tax Collector	1,741.61
Everett Grass, Tax Collector	69,009.99
Martha Carpenter, Town Clerk	3,266.19
 State of New Hampshire:	
Nat'l. Forest Reserve	\$ 1,003.15
Notch Abatement	3,028.66
Int. & Dividend Tax	8,974.40
Savings Bank Tax	40.73
Bounties	38.50
T.R.A. Refund	159.30
	13,244.74
Littleton National Bank—New	
Equip. Reserve Fund	1,455.24
Littleton National Bank—Temporary	
Loan	25,000.00
Sale of Old Iron	16.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots	30.00
Refund Library Social Security	8.41
Use of Trucks, Tractor and	
Fire Equipment	484.45
Water Department, payment on debt	1,420.30
Trustees of Trust Fund	400.00
Refund on Dog Damage	10.00
Rent of Town Property	788.00
Private Work	331.95
Sale of Road Oil, Chloride and sand	792.38
	\$137,649.35
Disbursements as per Selectmen	115,007.15
	\$ 22,642.20

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

From Tax Collector:

Property Taxes of 1955	\$ 61,368.66
Poll Taxes of 1955	408.00
National Bank Stock	41.00
State Head Tax, 1955	1,300.00
State Head Tax, 1954	115.00
State Head Tax Penalties	14.50
Prev. Prop. and Poll Taxes	4,538.68
Prev. Yield Tax	481.02
Tax Sales Redeemed	2,353.03
Interest	131.71

\$ 70,751.60

From Town Clerk:

Auto Permits	3,141.79
Dog Taxes	116.40
Filing Fees	8.00

3,266.19

State of New Hampshire:

National Forest Reserve	1,003.15
Notch Abatement	3,028.66
Int. & Div. Tax	8,974.40
Savings Bank Tax	40.73
Bounties	38.50
T.R.A. Refund	159.30

13,244.74

Payments *For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1955*

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

General Government:	
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 1,966.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,266.01
Election and Registration	146.00
Town Building Expense	3,331.41
Protection of Persons and Property:	
Police Department	406.54
Fire Department	987.16
Fire Department—New Equip.	852.38
Dog Damage	25.64
Bounties	13.50
Health:	
Rubbish & Garbage Removal	1,362.16
Littleton Hospital	100.00
Health Department	29.85

*Town of Franconia**Receipts and*

Sale of Cemetery Lots:		
Ruth Hubbard	15.00	
Polly Simons	15.00	
	<hr/>	30.00
Trustees of Trust Funds:		
For Cemetery Care		400.00
Rent of Town Building and Property:		
U. S. Post Office	750.00	
Victor Coty	20.00	
Eastern Inter. Club Ski League	5.00	
Albert Delage	1.00	
Elizabeth Booth	10.00	
Littleton Garden Club	1.00	
	<hr/>	788.00
Use of Equipment:		
Merton Shores—Fire Equip.	10.00	
Franconia Water Dept.—		
Engine	102.35	
Oliver Cole, Jr.—Tractor	3.00	
Profile Golf Club	143.00	
	<hr/>	258.35
Private Work:		
Norwood Ball	11.50	
John McVey	8.00	
M. B. Spurr	6.00	
Forest Hills Hotel	10.00	
Julia Brown	29.50	
Silas Taylor	45.70	
Charles Lovett	130.30	
Harold Bowles	6.00	
J. A. Moulton	16.50	
Willis Herbert	9.00	
Walter Pelletier	47.58	

Payments *For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1955*

Highways and Bridges :

Town Maintenance	3,474.29
Snow Removal	1,974.90
Road Oiling	832.97
Town Road Aid	306.21
Street Lighting	3,266.18
Expenses, Highway Dept.	2,987.72
Sidewalks, Upkeep and Repair	38.70
New Equip., Highway Dept.	4,515.00
Libraries	1,237.37
Old Age Assistance	354.84
Town Poor	181.34
Cemeteries	1,175.98
Band Concerts	50.00
White Mts. Region Assoc.	173.69
Information Booth	400.00
Jubilee Celebration	943.45

*Town of Franconia**Receipts and*

Frank Soule	22.00	
Albert Meyers	4.50	
Louis Paquette	28.75	
Willard Wight, Jr.	6.00	
Gertrude Tulk	32.15	
George Lange	61.05	
H. P. Carpenter	6.75	
Kenneth Lang	22.50	
Catholic Church	304.60	
Phillip Cole	43.50	
W. K. Glover	7.50	
Mittersill Club	326.15	
Heinz Schultze	4.50	
W. W. Johnson, Sr.	53.25	
Garold Miller	57.35	
		1,300.63
Sale of Chloride, Road Oil & Sand:		
Jack Kenney	49.80	
Paul Stevens	16.00	
		65.80
Littleton National Bank, Temp. Loan		25,000.00
Littleton National Bank, New Equip.		
Reserve Fund		1,455.24
Water Department (Payment on debt)		1,420.30
Refund, Library Social Security		8.41
Refund, Dog Damage		10.00
Total Receipts		117,999.26
Jan. 1, 1955 Cash on hand		19,650.09
		<u>\$137,649.35</u>

Payments *For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1955*

Legal Expense	50.00
Social Security	239.67
Payment on Debt Principal	5,700.00
Payment of Temporary Loans	25,000.00
Interest	1,336.34
Grafton County Tax	3,612.21
Head Tax Payments	1,402.05
Taxes bought by Town	2,352.36
Rebates on Taxes	40.89
Payments of Reserve Funds	1,101.28
Water Department Insurance	3.77
School Tax	41,769.29
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Total Payments	\$115,007.15
Cash on Hand, Jan. 1, 1956	22,642.20
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	\$137,649.35

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Detail 1—Town Officers' Salaries

Robert McLachlin, selectman	\$375.00
W. W. Johnson, Sr., selectman	375.00
Archie Taylor, selectman	350.00
M. G. Carpenter, town clerk	286.00
L. M. Vintinner, auditor	30.00
Treasurer, water dept.	350.00
S. A. Jesseman, treasurer	50.00
J. E. Grass, tax col.	200.00

\$ 1,966.00

Detail 2—Town Officers' Expenses

Robert McLachlin, selectman	84.50
Willard Johnson, selectman	10.50
U. S. Auto & Truck Guide, sub.	7.50
Wheeler & Clark, carb. paper	3.58
Assoc. of N. H. Assessors, dues	3.00
E. C. Eastman Co., envelopes	12.35
Courier Ptg. Co., ads & notices	349.04
Willis Herbert, postage	38.50
L. M. Vintinner, town reports	41.39
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	66.63
Wheeler & Clark, rubber stamp	3.25
Mrs. Aldrich, lunches	10.00
Northern Office Supply, office supplies	4.50
Martha Carpenter, expenses	78.10
F. J. Shores, Register of Deeds	16.36
Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies	43.16
Fran. Ins. Agency, bonds	97.98
Anna Proctor, trans. of names	.10
C. Edw. Bourassa, Reg. of Deeds	.10
Ida M. Horner, tax col's. dues	3.00
State of N. H., tax div. audit	53.76
J. E. Grass, tax expense	71.72
Fred L. Tower Co., register	15.40
Gertrude Tulk, bookkeeping	70.00
Trustees of Trust Funds	89.09
K. L. Johnson, bookkeeping	10.00
Marion Payette, expense	7.50
Sheila Jesseman, expense	25.00

Leo Regan, account. expense	50.00
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1,266.01

Detail 3—Election and Registration

Paul Rich, supervisor	25.00
Ray Bowles, supervisor	25.00
Harry Hardy, ballot clerk	10.00
Courier Ptg. Co., ballots	21.00
A. E. Morse, ballot clerk	10.00
J. E. Grass, tax expense	10.00
Ida Berry, expense	15.00
Roy Bowles, expense	15.00
Paul Rich, expense	15.00

146.00

Detail 4—Town Building Expense

Lisbon Grain & Coal Co., fuel	1,108.09
Pub. Ser. Co. of N. H., elec.	232.22
Archie Taylor, janitor	997.48
F. W. Woolworth, dishes	16.20
Herbert Tulk, labor	22.00
Fran. Ins. Agency	360.30
Littleton Coal Co., coal for kitchen	46.00
Fran. Hardwe. Co., repairs	48.37
A. G. Cyr., boiler repair	10.90
R. W. Sherburne, materials	17.25
Herbert Tulk, service	8.00
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	113.91
Cole Hardwe. Co., gas	21.20
MacLeod Shops, flags	71.52
Fran. Water Department	37.75
Littleton Hdwe. Co. bldg. expense	4.44
W. K. Glover, town bldg. walk	85.48
Bodwell Furn. Co., mats	100.00
G. A. Smith, mower sharpening	2.00
Garold Miller, gravel	13.30
Lucia Sign Serv., signs	12.00
Sarah Welch, painting	3.00

3,331.41

Detail 5—Police Department

Fran. Ins. Agcy., bond	6.54
Charles Vintinner, salary	335.00

W. W. Johnson, salary	65.00	
		406.54
<i>Detail 6—Fire Department</i>		
Ross Taylor Chevrolet, repairs	71.58	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	203.50	
Fran. Ins. Agcy., ins. & bonds	309.16	
Treasurer, State of N. H., Forest		
Fire equipment	34.68	
Esso Serv. Sta. gas	1.87	
H. J. Lovell Co., hose	412.50	
Orville Newell, Fire Ward. exp.	10.00	
Robert Sherburne, Fire Ward.		
expense	10.00	
Winston Hunt, Fire Ward. exp.	10.00	
Stuart McKenzie, Fire Ward.		
expense	10.00	
Warren Miller, Fire Ward. exp.	30.00	
Edward Dexter, Fire Dept.	286.25	
Fire Protec. Co., port. pump	375.00	
Charles Vintinner, salary	75.00	
		1,839.54
<i>Detail 7—Bounties</i>		
Archie Taylor, bounties	2.00	
Robert McLachlin, bounties	6.00	
W. W. Johnson, bounties	5.50	
		13.50
<i>Detail 8—Dog Expense</i>		
Dog Tags & Licenses	8.64	
Dick's House, euthanasia	7.00	
James Wafer, dog damage	10.00	
		25.64
<i>Detail 9—Rubbish and Garbage Removal</i>		
Garold Miller, land for dump	600.00	
Fred Hunt, gar. & rub. remov.	750.00	
Town of Beth., dump tax	12.16	
		1,362.16
<i>Detail 10—Littleton Hospital</i>		
		100.00

Detail 11—Health Department

Dr. R. E. Parker, expenses	29.85
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Detail 12—New Equipment

Casellini Venable Corp., sander	235.00	
E. C. Stiles & Son, tractor and shovel	4,280.00	
	<hr/>	4,515.00

Detail 13—Town Maintenance

Garold Miller, labor	1,748.34	
Scott Terrill, labor	1,508.25	
Willard Johnson, Sr., labor	11.25	
Holbrook Grocery, chloride	70.73	
Fran. Hardwe., materials	4.59	
Willard Johnson, Jr., labor	20.00	
Myron Sherburne, mowing	55.00	
L. A. Campbell, labor	56.16	
	<hr/>	3,474.29

Detail 14—Snow Removal

Garold Miller, labor	1,002.40	
Scott Terrill, labor	693.75	
Kenneth Johnson, labor	140.00	
Willard Johnson, Sr., labor	118.75	
Willard Johnson, Jr., labor	15.00	
Glenn Nelson, labor	5.00	
	<hr/>	1,974.90

Detail 15—Road Oiling

Trimount Bitumin., asphalt	557.08	
Trimount Bitumin., oil rds.	275.89	
	<hr/>	832.97

Detail 16—Town Road Aid

State of N. H., TRA	289.33	
State of N. H., overdraft	16.88	
	<hr/>	306.21

Detail 17—Street Lighting

Pub. Serv. Co. of N. H.	3,266.18
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Detail 18—Expenses of Highway Department

Treasurer of State of N. H.	552.96
Esso Serv. Sta., maint.	486.04
Esso Stand. Oil Co., gas, oil, etc.	612.96
Ross Taylor, parts, labor	107.53
C. W. Watson & Sons, parts	31.56
C. Allen Prescott, parts	11.83
Fran. Ins. Agcy., ins.	170.88
Robert McLachlin, labor, weld.	36.00
Depot Store, materials	17.65
Columbian Steel Co., chains	39.60
R. W. Sherburne, planks	388.36
H. W. Crooker, cold patch	93.80
Robert Varney, planks	82.35
Empire Steel & Tool Co., cutting edges	74.21
William Presby, bulldozer	70.00
Warren Miller, labor	27.00
Petrometal Indus., signs	133.96
E. C. Stiles Co., fittings	13.24
C. M. Vintinner, labor	37.79

 2,987.72
Detail 19—Sidewalk Upkeep and Repair

Glenn Nelson, labor	17.50
Garold Miller, labor	11.20
Scott Terrill, labor	10.00

 38.70
Detail 20—Libraries

Eva Cummings, librarian	83.33
Katherine Mayberry, librarian	404.04
Greenleaf Library, repairs and assistant librarian	750.00

 1,237.37
Detail 21—Old Age Assistance

Treasurer, State of N. H.	354.84
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Detail 22—Town Poor

Ida Berry	122.92
A. Judd	52.50
Nina E. Peabody, pub. wel.	5.92

 181.34

Detail 23—Memorial Day

George McLure's Band	50.00
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Detail 24—Jubilee Celebration

Willis Herbert Post Master, tablet	62.71	
Miller Flag Co., decorations	100.00	
S. N. Welch, postage	7.95	
N. H. Forestry & Recreation Dept., gifts	33.61	
Courier Printing Co., souvenir booklets, etc.	490.50	
MacLeod's Shops, ribbons	1.53	
Photo Bureau, Dart. Coll.	2.65	
McLure's Band, concerts	200.00	
Fran. Ins. Agcy., ins. on antiques	25.00	
Lovett's, 13 dinners	19.50	
	<hr/>	943.45

Detail 25—Cemeteries

Fran. Ins. Agcy.	8.93	
Warren Miller, labor	1,140.70	
Fran. Water Dept., water rent	20.75	
Greenland Services	5.10	
Fran. Hardware, lock	.50	
	<hr/>	1,175.98

Detail 26—White Mts. Region Assoc.	173.69
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Detail 27—Information Booth

Chamber of Commerce	400.00
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Detail 28—Legal Expense

Pike & Aldrich	50.00
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Detail 29—Social Security

Treasurer, State of N. H.	239.67
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Detail 30—Payment on Principal of Debt

Littleton Nat. Bank, bonds	2,500.00	
Littleton Sav. Bank, long-term notes	3,200.00	
	<hr/>	5,700.00

Detail 31—Payment of Temporary Loans

Littleton Savings Bank	25,000.00
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Detail 32—Interest

Littleton Nat. Bank on bonds	225.00
Littleton Sav. Bank on notes	183.84
Littleton Sav. Bank on loans	927.50

 1,336.34
Detail 33—Grafton County Tax

L. M. Colby, Treasurer	3,612.21
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Detail 34—Head Tax Payments

State of N. H.	1,358.00
Lillian Bowles, Collector	5.35
J. Everett Grass, Collector	38.70

 1,402.05
Detail 35—Taxes Bought by Town

J. Everett Grass, Collector	2,352.36
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Detail 36—Rebates on Taxes

John White, overassessment	40.89
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Detail 37—Payment of Reserve Fund

Carry-over of Expense from 1954	599.71
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Detail 38—Water Department Insurance

3.77

Detail 39—School Tax

A. B. Jesseman, Treasurer	
Bal. 1954 appropriation	9,769.29
On 1955 appropriation	32,000.00
One-half N. F. R. F.	501.57

 42,270.86

 \$115,007.15

FRANCONIA WATER DEPARTMENT

INCOME

Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1955	\$ 796.53
Water rentals and shutoffs	3,183.49
Sale of Supplies & other income	250.75
Paid by Town for Comm. salaries	150.00
Interest on Capital Outlay Fund	8.00
Transfer of Capital Outlay Fund	800.00

Total Income	\$5,188.77
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EXPENDITURES

Supplies and bookkeeping exp.	57.53
Merton Shores, labor, bkping	78.85
Dodge & Moulton, legal exp.	35.60
Fran. Ins. Co., treas. bond	21.60
John Welch, maint., labor	9.75
Richard Sullivan, maint., labor	10.00
Merton Shores, maint., labor	55.50
A. E. Morse, maint., labor	5.00
Richard Ross, maint., thaw.	40.00
Fran. Hardware, supplies	14.20
N. H. Water Works Assoc. dues	5.00
John Welch, Comm. salary for 1954 & 1955	100.00
Richard Sullivan, Comm., salary for 1954 & 1955	100.00
Merton Shores, Comm., salary for 1954 & 1955	100.00
Charles Millar Co., stock	128.75
Emergency Pumping	122.50
Capital Outlay Fund	800.00
Depreciation Reserve Fund	746.03
Town of Franconia— payment on debt	1,420.30
Littleton Nat. Bank, serv. chge	.83
New Construction—main extension at Hillwinds	965.45

Total Expenditures	\$4,816.89
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Cash on hand, Dec. 31, 1955	\$ 371.88
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CURRENT ASSETS

Cash on hand	\$ 371.88
Depreciation Reserve Fund	1,512.72
Water rentals due	420.87
	\$2,305.47
Stock and Equipment on hand	\$605.88

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS

Jan. 1, 1955 due Town of Franconia	\$34,087.20
1955 payment to Town	1,420.30
	32,666.90
Dec. 31, 1955 net assets	2,305.47
Total Net Debt	\$30,361.43

FIXED ASSETS

Class of Property	Balance Jan. 1, 1955	Additions	Retire- ments	Balance Dec. 31, 1955
Water Storage Structures	\$ 7,412.99	\$		\$ 7,412.99
Mains	35,117.44	907.28		36,024.72
Hydrants	100.00			100.00
Total Assets	\$42,630.43	\$907.28		\$43,537.71

ABBIE GREENLEAF LIBRARY**RECEIPTS**

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1955	\$690.48
Greenleaf Trust Fund	736.49
Sale of books	45.45
Town appropriation for 1955	150.00

 \$1,622.42
EXPENDITURES

Public Service Co., lights	\$ 42.72
Franconia Water Dept., water	16.00
Eames Oil Co., fuel	170.73
Doubleday & Co., books	37.00
S. F. Claffin Agency, magazines	86.00
Courier Printing Co., adv. exp.	17.64
Kathryn Maybury, labor less tax	70.44
Personal Book Shop, books	23.67
Americana Corp., books	10.00
Gaylord Bros. Inc.	25.50
Campbell & Hall, books	92.34
Philip Payette, labor less tax	133.52
Archie Herbert, supplies	5.60
Consumer Reports, magazine	8.50
Mrs. Irene Prescott, supplies	2.14
Mortimer Billington, flowers	5.00
Town of Fran., SS tax	8.41
George Smith, mower repairs	5.50
Fran. Hardware, supplies	13.42
Am. Library Ass'n., booklet	6.00
Betty Billington, labor less tax	29.77
Alson Berwick, labor less tax	42.63
Dow Academy, magazines	46.75
Rochester Courier, supplies	5.95
Littleton Nat'l. Bank, supplies	1.93

Bal. in checkbook Jan. 1, 1956	907.16
	\$ 715.26

 \$1,622.42

January 1, 1956

Bal. in checkbook	\$ 715.26
Richardson Fund plus int.	288.49
Littleton Savings Bank	600.00

 \$1,603.75

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Balance at beginning of year	\$14.60	
Fines	21.89	
Total expenditures		\$36.49
		29.62
Balance cash on hand		\$ 6.87
Number bound vols. Dec. 31, 1954	8,759	
Added by purchase	66	
Added by gifts	3	
Withdrawn		8,828
		2,095
Total on hand Dec. 31, 1955		6,733

SERVICE

	Adult	Juvenile	Total
No. vols. non-fiction loaned	378	29	407
No. vols. fiction loaned	1,349	440	1,789
Unbound magazines			303
			2,499
Total number borrowers			98
Magazines received			21

TREASURER'S REPORT
TRUSTEES OF DOW ACADEMY
July 1, 1955

RECEIPTS

Mrs. Deborah Theis, for visual aid films	\$ 100.00
N. E. Trust Co., trust fund income	1,925.91
Interest on savings account	16.79
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Net income	\$2,042.70
July 1, 1954 cash balance	1,596.70
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\$3,639.40

PAYMENTS

Treas. salary and bond	\$ 15.00
Auditing and typing reports, L. Vintinner	10.00
C. George McLure, band concert	50.00
N. H. Tar & Asphalt Co., sidewalk	278.40
Martha Carpenter, stamps, etc.	1.50
Evelyn Wolff, scholarship	100.00
Keith Bond, scholarship	100.00
Taxes on Dow lots	140.91
Depot Store, landscaping supplies by M. Shores	16.10
American Seating Co., chairs	127.67
Dow P.T.A., dancing lessons	200.00
Dow Academy, for visual aid films	100.00
Dow Academy, Athletic Assoc.	200.00
Dow Academy, Prize Speaking	200.00
F. E. Aldrich Sons, mowing fields	76.00
Garold Miller, trucking gravel for parking lot	11.00
Ellsworth Hubbard, trucking and tractor work	40.63
Books for Library, ordered by Mr. Farris	97.45
Bank service charges	1.17
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Total payments	\$1,765.83

Balance in checking account	\$1,099.53	
Balance in savings account	774.04	
		\$3,639.40
July 1, 1955 total cash on hand		\$1,873.57

Bal. due on landscaping approp.	\$	53.87
Special scholarship fund in		
savings account		100.00
Special fund for tennis court, etc.		100.00
Due Martha Carpenter, playground		
exp. 1955-56 acct.		14.92

Respectfully submitted,
EVERETT GRASS
 Treasurer

July 6, 1955

This is to certify that I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of Dow Academy Trustees, and find them correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

L. M. VINTINNER
 Auditor

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Treasurer's Report

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand March 31, 1955	\$ 238.73
Town of Franconia	400.00
Membership dues	801.17
Winter promotion	222.50
Collection annual dinner	14.00
Donation for Airport	150.00
Collection at Band Concert	36.01
	\$1,862.41
Total	

EXPENDITURES

Eva B. Hodge, salary	\$ 402.40
Collector of Internal Revenue	69.40
Postage	15.00
Sponsoring Band Concert	50.00
Al. Meyers, auditing account	2.50
Telephone	69.38
Flowers, Information Booth, Banquet	12.50
Annual Meeting, dinners	17.50
Courier Printing Co., folders, inserts, etc.	186.30
Int. Postal Supply Co., postmarking	48.08
U. S. Post Office, buying albums	15.00
Public Service Co., lights	22.03
Miscellaneous supplies	10.78
American Mercury Ins. Co., airport ins.	27.12
Labor on Airport, Garold Miller	59.80
Labor on Airport, Buker, Judd	42.20
Robert Peckett, snow plowing	12.25
Cole's Mill, signs	12.80
Bank Service Charge	2.03
	\$1,075.07
Total receipts 1955-1956	\$1,862.41
Total expenditures 1955-1956	1,075.07
	\$ 787.34
Cash on hand February 16, 1956	\$ 787.34

Respectfully submitted,
GERALD A. KOSCH
Treasurer

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

Common Trust Funds Principal Account:

Total Trust Funds January 1, 1955 \$ 16,041.33

Receipts:

Henry Whipple Trust	\$ 100.00
Capital Gain Dividends—	
George Putnam Stock	11.70

111.70

Balance of Principal Account

December 31, 1955 16,153.03

George Kerr Trust Fund 100.00

Total Trust Funds 16,253.03

Accounted for as follows:

Common Trust Fund Savings account,

Littleton Savings Bank 15,850.78

George Putnam Stock at cost (32 shares) 302.25

George Kerr Trust, Lisbon Savings Bank 100.00

16,253.03

Common Trust Fund Income Savings Account:

Balance January 1, 1955 762.81

Receipts:

Interest from Common Trust Fund

Savings Account 497.96

Interest from George Kerr Fund

Savings Account 2.08

Reim. from Town of Fran. 87.55

Dividends from investments 10.40

597.99

Total

1,360.80

Expenditures:

Depot Store, fertilizer 3.75

Kelley the Florist, flowers	5.00	
Town of Fran., mowing perpetual care lots	400.00	
		408.75
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Balance Unexpended Income Dec. 31, 1955		952.05
Accounted for as follows:		
Income Sav. Acct., Littleton Sav. Bank		838.77
Checking account, Littleton Nat. Bank		113.28
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		952.05
GEORGE KERR TRUST FUND:		
Balance unexpended income		
January 1, 1955	6.45	
Interest received	2.61	
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		9.06
Transferred to Common Trust Fund Income Savings Account		2.08
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Balance unexpended income December 31, 1955 (Lisbon Savings Bank)		6.98

***OTHER FUNDS UNDER SUPERVISION OF
TRUSTEES***

New Equip. Reserve (Littleton Sav. Bank):		
Balance January 1, 1955	\$	835.50
Received from Town of Franconia		599.71
1955 Interest		20.03
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Total		1,455.24
Paid to Town of Franconia		1,455.24
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Yield Tax Reserve: (Littleton Sav. Bank):		
Balance January 1, 1955		1,157.53
1955 Interest		34.97
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		1,192.50

Vet's Memorial (Littleton Sav. Bank):

Balance January 1, 1955	69.64
1955 Interest	1.57
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Total	71.21
Paid E. Ott to reletter Memorial Plaque	35.00
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	36.21

Town of Fran. Water Dept. Deprec. Res. Fund:

(Littleton Savings Bank)—new—	
Principal	1,512.72
1955 Interest	18.95
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	1,531.67

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
FRANCONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Year Ending January 1, 1956

DISTRICT OFFICERS

School Board

Mr. Archie Herbert, Chairman	.... Term Expires 1957
Mr. Hamilton Ford	..... Term Expires 1956
Mrs. Louise Peabody	..... Term Expires 1958

Other Officers

Mr. Roger Peabody	..... Moderator
Mrs. Alice Jesseman	..... Treasurer
Mrs. Eva B. Hodge	..... Clerk
Mr. Ernest Johnson	..... Auditor
Mr. Roger Peabody (resigned)	..... Trustee
	.... of Dow Academy
Mr. Robert Ball (appointed)	..... Trustee
	.... of Dow Academy
Mr. Merton Shores	..... Truant Officer
Dr. Ralph A. Parker	..... School Physician
Mrs. Phyllis Rogers	..... School Nurse
Mr. Ronald A. Perham	.... Superintendent of Schools

Teachers

Mr. Oliver Cole, Jr., Principal	..... High-Soc. Studies, Math., Driver Education
Mrs. Janice Darling (resigned)	..... High-Commerce
Mrs. Agnes Andross	..... High-Commerce
Miss Janet Stewart	..... High-English, French
Mr. Richard Dunbar	..... High-Shop
Mr. Herbert Gebelein	..... High-Science
Mrs. Marion Callender	..... Music-Home Ec. 7-8
Miss Nancy Klingensmith	..... Grades 5-6
Mrs. Helen Wood	..... Grades 3-4
Mrs. Alice Leavitt	..... Grades 1-2
Mrs. Emma Dexter	..... School Lunch
Mr. C. George McLure	..... Instrumental Music
Mr. Merton Shores	..... Custodian

SCHOOL WARRANT

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said District on the ninth day of March, 1956, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon (Polls to be open from 5:00 P. M. to 10:00 P. M. Business meeting for consideration of the articles of the warrant will be called to order at 8:00 P. M.) to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary officers for the School District for the ensuing year.
2. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District.
3. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
4. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees, in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.
5. 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.
6. To see if the District will vote to empower the School Board to continue a half day kinder-

garten program and to raise and appropriate \$1,900.00 for same.

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

ARCHIE HERBERT
LOUISE PEABODY
HAMILTON FORD

School Board

BUDGET FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT OF FRANCONIA 1956 - 1957

	Paid Out	Budget	Paid Out to	Proposed Budget
	1954-55	1955-56	Jan. 1, '56	1956-57
ADMINISTRATION				
1. Salaries of District Officers	125.00	125.00	25.00	125.00
2. Supt. Salary (Local Share)	* 643.11	680.00	672.40	670.00
3. Tax for Statewide Supervision	182.00	200.00	194.00	200.00
4. Salaries of Other Adm. Personnel	431.29	525.00	180.40	525.00
5. Supplies and Expenses	678.01	900.00	381.11	900.00
INSTRUCTION				
6. Teachers' Salaries	27,482.00	28,750.00	10,904.24	29,500.00
7. Books and Other Instr. Aids	1,158.84	1,300.00	785.00	1,300.00
8. Scholars' Supplies	1,172.15	1,300.00	890.14	1,300.00
10. Supplies and Other Expenses	45.55	175.00		175.00
OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT				
11. Salaries of Janitors	2,820.00	3,050.00	1,885.96	3,100.00
12. Fuel or Heat	2,419.00	2,200.00	780.68	2,500.00
13. Water, Light, Supplies and Exp.	1,111.81	1,200.00	459.54	1,200.00
MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT				
14. Repairs and Replacements	1,389.38	1,200.00	734.92	1,500.00
AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES				
15. Health Supervision	329.32	400.00	35.00	400.00
16. Transportation	2,697.40	2,500.00	799.47	2,600.00
18. Special Activities and Funds	688.69	700.00	400.00	700.00
a. School Lunch	523.15	500.00	268.80	† 800.00
b. Band			57.35	
FIXED CHARGES				
19. Retirement	1,951.74	2,000.00	618.19	2,100.00
20. Insurance, Treas. Bond and Exp.	965.72	900.00	735.34	900.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY				
22. Additions and Improvements to Bldgs.	1,758.59	350.00	587.52	350.00
23. New Equipment	1,070.44	500.00	469.42	850.00
24. Contingency Fund		1,000.00		1,000.00
DEBT AND INTEREST				
25. Principal of Debt	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
26. Interest on Debt	210.00	180.00	180.00	150.00
Contra Account—Association Dues	12.00			
	\$50,865.19	\$51,635.00	\$23,044.48	\$53,845.00
\$582.26 Unpaid Withholdings			582.26	
			\$22,462.22	

† From State \$600.00.

* Superintendent's salary is \$6,650. The State pays \$2,750. The Union pays \$3,900., divided as follows: Benton \$61.81, Easton \$62.60, Franconia \$643.11, Landaff \$123.63, Lincoln \$1,305.72, Lisbon Special \$1,147.58, Lisbon Town \$257.98, Lyman \$125.58, and Sugar Hill \$171.99. Division as determined by law. Report for 1954-1955 by Act of Legislature in form suggested by State Department of Education.

Special Appropriation:

Kindergarten Appropriation	\$2,000.00	Paid to Jan. 1, 1956	\$620.84
Lunch Appropriation	700.00	Paid to Jan. 1, 1956	648.43

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE 1956-57

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, 1956.

Total amount required to meet School Board's budget as itemized in Column 4 of the Budget Report, \$53,845.00

ESTIMATED INCOME OF DISTRICT

Balance June 30, 1956	\$1,000.00
School Lunch	600.00
Tuition	8,400.00
Income of Trust Funds	400.00
Other—Shop	100.00
Forest Reserve	500.00

We recommend that the District adopt the proposed budget and raise and appropriate the sum of \$53,845.00 for the school year 1956-1957.

ARCHIE HERBERT
HAMILTON FORD
LOUISE PEABODY
School Board

Recommended Motion:

Moved that the School District raise and appropriate \$53,845.00 and to authorize and direct the School Board to apply against said appropriation such income as is estimated by the School Board, exclusive of State Aid, and upon the determination of the amount of State Aid to be received by the School District during the next fiscal year, to authorize and direct the School Board to apply against such appropriation the sum to be received from State Aid and with the School District Clerk certify to the Selectmen the balance as an assessment to be raised by the town for school purposes.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS
July 1, 1954 to June 30, 1955

RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand July 1, 1954	\$	3,570.21
Federal Aid:		
Forest Reserve		461.99
School Lunch		323.15
Local Taxation:		
Current Appropriation		39,769.29
Other Sources:		
Elementary School Tuitions		2,566.88
Secondary School Tuitions		4,912.88
Income from Trust Funds		470.38
Other		153.33
		\$52,228.11

PAYMENTS

Orders of the School Board	\$	50,865.19
Cash on Hand at End of Year (June 30, 1955)		1,362.92
		\$52,228.11

July 1, 1955 to January 1, 1956

RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand, July 1, 1955	\$ 1,362.92	
Appropriation from Selectmen	22,000.00	
Tuition	2,307.35	
Income from Trust Funds	230.33	
School Lunch Program	168.80	
National Forest Reserve Fund	501.57	
Other Receipts	130.10	
		<u>\$26,701.07</u>

PAYMENTS

Orders of the School Board	\$22,462.22	
Cash on Hand, January 1, 1956	4,238.85	
		<u>\$26,701.07</u>

BALANCE SHEET*June 30, 1955*

ASSETS

Cash on Hand June 30, 1955	\$1,362.92	
Net Debt (Excess of Liabilities over Assets)	4,637.08	
		<u>\$6,000.00</u>

LIABILITIES

Notes and Bonds Outstanding	\$6,000.00	
		<u>\$6,000.00</u>

ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1955

Cash on Hand July 1, 1954	\$ 3,570.21
Received from Selectmen:	
Current Appropriation	\$39,769.29
Received from State Treasurer:	
Federal Funds—School Lunch	323.15
Received from Federal Agencies:	
Forest Reserve	461.99
Received from Tuitions	7,479.76
Received as Income from	
Trust Funds	470.38
Received from all Other Sources	153.33
	48,657.90
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$52,228.11
Less School Board Orders Paid	50,865.19
	\$ 1,362.92
Balance on Hand, June 30, 1955	\$ 1,362.92
	ALICE B. JESSEMAN
	Treasurer

See attached Auditor's report

REPORT OF AUDITOR

Members of the Board,
Franconia School District,
Franconia, New Hampshire.

Dear Sirs and Madam:

I have examined the cash records of the Treasurer of the School District of Franconia, New Hampshire for the fiscal period from July 1, 1954 to June 30, 1955 and submit herewith my report which consists of a Condensed Statement of Treasurer's Cash Account together with summary statements of Cash Receipts and Cash Disbursements for the period under review.

Cash on deposit at June 30, 1955, \$1,362.92, was verified by reconciliation to the records and written confirmation from the Littleton National Bank.

All payroll and vendor manifests were examined for authoritative signatures of two or more members of the board. Underlying vendor invoices were scrutinized and checked to the manifests for the months of September and February. The subsequent entries for those months were checked for distribution.

The Treasurer's Cash Book was compared with the General Fund Records and is in agreement therewith.

In my opinion the accompanying statements reflect the true cash condition of the Franconia School District at June 30, 1955 and the cash transactions for the fiscal year ended that date.

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST F. JOHNSON

Certified Public Accountant

FRANCONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Condensed Statement of Treasurer's Cash Account
for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1955

CASH ON DEPOSIT—July 1, 1954	\$ 3,570.21
CASH RECEIVED:	
Received from Selectmen:	
On current appropriations	\$39,769.29
National Forest Reserve	461.99
Tuitions	7,479.76
Trust Funds	470.38
State Treasurer:	
School lunches	323.15
Other Sources	153.33
	48,657.90
Total Receipts—Schedule No. 1	48,657.90
Total Available for Fiscal Year	\$52,228.11
Deduct:	
School Board Orders Paid—	
Schedule No. 2	50,865.19
	50,865.19
CASH ON DEPOSIT—June 30, 1955	\$ 1,362.92

SCHEDULE NO. 1

FRANCONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Cash Disbursements for the Fiscal Year
Ended June 30, 1955

SOURCE:

Town of Franconia —current appropriations		\$39,769.29
Tuition:		
Lisbon School District	\$ 4,693.70	
Easton School District	1,380.50	
Sugar Hill School District	1,405.56	
		7,479.76
Trust Funds:		
Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Company (Charles H. Greenleaf Fund)		470.38
Town of Franconia:		
National Forest Reserve Distribution		461.99
State of New Hampshire:		
School Lunch—Federal Aid		323.15
Other Sources:		
Sales of supplies	\$ 49.55	
Allowance on typewriter	15.00	
Dues—teachers' association (see contra)	12.00	
Telephone expense refunds	12.45	
Refund from scholastic fund	33.83	
Refund from Wesleyan Union Press	10.50	
Filing fees	2.00	
Lunchroom employees social security	18.00	
		153.33
TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS:		\$48,657.90

FRANCONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT**Cash Receipts for the Fiscal Year
Ended June 30, 1955**

ADMINISTRATION:		
Salaries of District Officers	\$ 125.00	
Superintendent—Union District—local share	643.11	
Statewide supervision	182.00	
Other personnel—		
Union District—local share	371.29	
Bookkeeping service	50.00	
Truant officer	10.00	
Petty cash disbursements	111.35	
Supplies and expense	566.66	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,059.41
INSTRUCTION:		
Teachers' salaries	\$27,482.00	
Books and other instructional aids	1,158.84	
Scholars' supplies	1,172.15	
Supplies and other expenses	45.55	
	<hr/>	29,858.54
OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT:		
Janitor's salary	\$ 2,820.00	
Heating	2,419.00	
Water, light, supplies and expense	1,111.81	
	<hr/>	6,350.81
MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT:		
Repairs and replacements		1,389.38
AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES:		
Health supervision	\$ 329.32	
Transportation	2,697.40	
Special activities and school lunches	811.84	
Athletic Fund Contributions	400.00	
	<hr/>	4,238.56
FIXED CHARGES:		
Teachers' retirement fund and social security	\$ 1,951.74	
Insurance and other expenses	965.72	
	<hr/>	2,917.46
CAPITAL OUTLAY:		
Additions, improvements	\$ 1,758.59	
New equipment	1,070.44	
	<hr/>	2,829.03
OTHER DISBURSEMENTS:		
Repayment of Loan—Littleton Savings Bank	\$ 1,000.00	
Interest on loan	210.00	
Dues—teachers' association—(see contra)	12.00	
	<hr/>	1,222.00
TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS		<hr/> \$50,865.19 <hr/>

STATISTICAL TABLE
1954-1955

School	Total Enrollment	Total Average Attendance	Total Average Absence	Percent of Attendance	Average Tardiness
Dow Academy:					
Grades 1-8	87	74.2	4.1	94.7	1.2
Grades 9-12	40	35.7	1.8	95.2	1.4
	127	109.9	5.9	94.8	1.3

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Name of Pupil	Grade
Robert Sullivan	2
Lois Bowles	7
Donald Leonard	7
William Heath	9
Robert Leonard	9
Peter Bowles	11

NON-RESIDENT PUPILS ENROLLED

District	Elementary	High School
Easton	4	3
Lisbon Town No. 3	16	12
Sugar Hill		6

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE 1954-1955

The school health program was carried on as usual. Complete physical examinations were done on sixty-nine pupils by Dr. Ralph Parker, school physician.

Eye testing was done on all pupils and hearing tests were done in the first four grades.

Eight children attended the toxoid clinic for immunization and vaccination.

Polio vaccinations were done on nine first and second graders.

Dental clinic was started in January and held once each month. Pupils of the second and sixth grades were examined by Dr. G. A. Clark and seven pupils were treated. The members of Greenleaf Civics Club were very faithful in transporting the children.

Registration day was held in June for the incoming first grade and was very successful.

One child attended the Child Guidance clinic and one the Orthopedic clinic held in Littleton.

Two children have received assistance from the Crippled Children's Service.

I wish to express my appreciation to Mr. Farris and teachers for their cooperation and assistance and also to the members of the Greenleaf Civics club for their assistance at the clinics.

Respectfully submitted,

IRMA J. SIMENEAU, R. N.

Miss Irma Simeneau resigned as school nurse and I was appointed to replace her on August 1, 1955.

Under the School Health Program 47 students were given complete physical examinations and students participating in any athletic sport were examined by the school physician, Dr. Ralph Parker.

Eye tests have been done on some of the students.

Respectfully submitted,

PHYLLIS E. ROGERS, R. N.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

To the School Board and Citizens of the Franconia School District:

I herewith submit my thirteenth annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

The total enrollment of your school last year was 127, with 40 pupils in Grades IX through XII and 87 in Grades I through VIII. The average membership was 109.9 and the percent of attendance was 94.8. There were 41 tuition pupils, 20 of whom were in the elementary grades and 21 in the high school.

This year the total enrollment is 132, with 37 in Grades IX through XII and 95 in Kindergarten through Grade VIII. There are 39 tuition pupils enrolled at the present time; 15 elementary pupils and 8 high school pupils are from Lisbon Town No. 3; 2 kindergarten, 5 elementary and 3 high school pupils are from Easton; 5 high school pupils are from Sugar Hill and one kindergarten pupil from Bethlehem.

Mr. Oliver Cole replaced Paul Farris as Principal of Dow Academy. This is Mr. Cole's first year in administration. He is doing well. School runs smoothly and efficiently under his direction.

The major building repairs at Dow Academy are now complete. We expect only normal maintenance items for the next few years.

Kindergarten was established as a half day program, morning sessions in the fall and afternoon sessions during the winter months. In addition to her Franconia duties, the teacher, Mrs. Ruby Harris, teaches at Lincoln on a half day basis also. She is very successful in her work.

Franconia is fortunate to maintain its Shop program this year. Because of the teacher shortage several of our neighboring communities have discontinued their programs. We were lucky to find a man leaving industry to return to teaching.

It is difficult to forecast happenings in education for the next few years. Country-wide the United States loses many more teachers than it gains. About 50,000 new college graduates enter the program while 90,000 teachers leave, a net loss of 40,000 qualified teachers. This has gone on for several years now.

How can we hold our best teachers? How can we attract teachers to Franconia? How can we encourage Franconia children to become teachers?

If your son is to become a teacher he will want the respect of the community, good working conditions and a salary that permits him to support a family well. Let's all put our shoulders to the wheel, supply these conditions and insure a good education for Franconia children.

I wish to thank the teachers, the School Board and the many interested townspeople who help the children with their education activities.

Respectfully submitted,

RONALD A. PERHAM,
Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL

I herewith submit my first annual report as Principal of Dow Academy.

ADMINISTRATION

Dow Academy, a public school, is divided into two divisions, elementary and secondary. The elementary school consists of Kindergarten and the first six grades; the upper six grades constitute a Junior-Senior High School.

The school year, which began September 9, 1955, will terminate June 15, 1956. School vacations were scheduled as follows: December 20 to January 3, Christmas vacation; February 27 to March 4, Mid-winter vacation; and April 20 to April 30, Spring vacation.

Dow Academy's school day, which permits a thirty minute period at noon for lunch, begins at 8:15 A. M. and closes at 2:15 P. M. The Elementary school's time schedule differs slightly in that they are dismissed at 11:30 A. M. for their noon period and school closes at 2:30 P. M. The school busses arrive at approximately 8:00 A. M. and leave at 3:00 P. M. This gives our students time after school for meetings with their teachers or the opportunity to get additional materials for their home study.

Attendance is a prime and fundamental factor in the operation of a good school. The regularity and promptness of Dow's students in attending school has rated consistently over 95% in both the elementary and secondary schools.

The faculty of Dow Academy is basically the same as last year. New teachers to Franconia are Mr. Richard Dunbar and Herbert Gebelein. Mr. Dunbar is from Newport and is teaching science and shop classes. Mr. Gebelein taught part of last year at Lisbon and lives in Rockport, Massachusetts. He is a graduate of Indiana University, and has done his graduate work at Purdue. Mr. Gebelein is teaching Social Studies and coaching boys' athletics.

Mrs. Janice Darling resigned her position as Commercial teacher and moved to Plymouth at Christmas time. Mrs. Agnes Andross, a Commercial teacher with six years experience, replaced her.

Miss Janet Stewart teaches English and French and coaches girls' athletics.

The Elementary Grade School teachers are the same as last year. Mrs. Alice Leavitt teaches Grades 1 & 2, Mrs. Helen Wood, Grades 3 & 4, and Miss Nancy Klingensmith, Grades 5 & 6.

Dr. Ralph Parker and School Nurse, Phyllis Rogers, who has replaced Nurse Irma Simeneau, continue to render their fine services in keeping the school children in good health. Complete physical examinations, including a blood count and urinalysis, were given to all students whose parents so desired. Mrs. Rogers has also conducted eye and ear examinations. The Dental Clinic was again held with the cooperation of the Greenleaf Civics Club. This year Polio vaccinations were made available for all those between the ages of one and fifteen years.

The School Lunch program, under the guidance of Mrs. Emma Dexter and Mrs. Maude Cotnoir, who was replaced by Mrs. Edith Stevens in November, has proved more than satisfactory in its new cafeteria. This is the first time that a full year's program has been held. I wish to thank the Greenleaf Civics Club and all others who have been so cooperative in making this possible. It is of extreme value to the good health and development of our pupils.

Music is continuing to improve through the efforts of George McLure and Mrs. Marion Callender. Mr. McLure is the band director. The combined Dow-Bethlehem School Band is showing much progress. Several members are working very diligently to earn a trip to Washington, D. C. with McLure's Student Band. Mrs. Callender instructs 7th and 8th Grade Home Economics, Singing, Music Appreciation and Dancing.

Mr. Merton Shores is School Custodian, and continues to be of great value in the operation of our school.

CURRICULUM

The elementary school is functioning under the State Program of Studies. Similar courses are taught in the majority of elementary schools in the state. A new marking system has been established on the following basis: A—Excellent progress; B—Good progress; C—Average progress; D—Below average progress; and F—Failure to meet minimum requirements. This system was adopted to make the marking system as consistent as possible throughout the entire school. Personal letters written three times a year are used in the kindergarten and first grade.

The high school has three curricula from which to choose: The General; the Academic, or College Preparatory; and the Commercial. In each curricula, sixteen units are required for graduation, four of which are in English, and one in U. S. Constitutional History, taken during the Junior or Senior year. A unit is made up of one course for one school year in which a grade of 70% is attained. College grade work is 85% or above.

Franconia's kindergarten has been in operation for the first time this year. Its daily schedule is from 9 to 11:30 A. M. September to Christmas vacation, and 1 to 3 P. M. for the rest of the school year. Mrs. Ruby Harris is the teacher. It meets each school day in the Franconia Town Hall.

ATHLETICS

The Dow Academy Athletic Association, a student organization, has been in charge of the athletic program. It has sponsored the following athletic activities: Golf, Boys' and Girls' Basketball, Baseball, Softball, and Skiing. Student participation in these activities is very good. Athletics are an integral part of our school program, from which students derive many benefits.

ACTIVITIES

The following activities are presently carried on in our school: Dramatics Club, Glee Club, Cheerleading, Ski Lessons, Student Council, Yearbook, Class organizations, and Prize Speaking.

Some of the accomplishments of these organizations have been: A three-act Play, Magazine Drive, Ski Meets, Dances, Food Sales, Assembly Programs, and an annual Prize Speaking Contest.

The students have worked hard and have been very cooperative in making these activities successful.

CONCLUSION

I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the students and staff members of Dow Academy and the people of the community for their fine cooperation and support in making this a successful school year. It has been a pleasure working with Mr. Ronald Perham and the Franconia School Board, both of whom are continually trying to give us a better school in which to educate our children.

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVER COLE,
Principal

FRANCONIA SCHOOL DISTRICT
EXPENDITURES 1954-1955

ADMINISTRATION

1. Salaries of District Officers:

Archie Herbert, School Board	\$ 25.00	
Hamilton Ford, School Board	25.00	
Louise Peabody, School Board	25.00	
Alice Jesseman, Treasurer	25.00	
Ernest Johnson, Auditor	25.00	
		\$ 125.00

2. Superintendent's Salary:

Treasurer, Supervisory Union No. 34	643.11
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3. Tax for Statewide Supervision:

Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	182.00
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4. Salaries of Other Administrative Personnel:

Treas., Supervisory Union No. 34,		
Clerical	346.29	
Sheila Jesseman, Bookkeeper	25.00	
Merton Shores, Truant Officer	10.00	
Frances Oakes, Bookkeeper	50.00	
		431.29

5. Supplies & Expenses:

N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	223.05
Paul Farris, Petty Cash	
Account	111.35
Willis Herbert, P. M., Envelopes	51.20
Merton Shores, Freight	3.61
Super. Union No. 34, Handbook	
for Sch. Bd.	6.00
Treas., Supervisory Union	
No. 34, office	158.30
Town & Country Press	1.95
Edson C. Eastman Co.	4.95
Courier Printing Co.	49.02
F. E. Aldrich & Son., Union	
meeting	6.02
Dodge & Moulton, services	5.00

Paul Farris, Convention expenses	50.00	
Franconia Village Store, supplies	3.84	
Bank Service Charge	3.72	
		678.01

INSTRUCTION

6. Teachers' Salaries:

Paul Farris	4,250.00	
Oliver Cole	3,500.00	
Ernest Morin	3,200.00	
Janet Stewart	2,900.00	
Janice Darling	2,900.00	
Hilda J. Evans	900.00	
Alice Leavitt	2,900.00	
Helen Bridgeo Wood	2,800.00	
Nancy Klingensmith	3,050.00	
George McLure	600.00	
Shirley Paige	222.00	
Merton Shores, basketball	200.00	
Dorothy Aldrich	48.00	
James Darling	8.00	
Alice Jesseman	4.00	
		27,482.00

7. Books & Other Instructional Aids:

American Technical Society	18.88
The Macmillan Co.	62.02
McCormick-Mathers Pub. Co.	5.44
South-Western Pub. Co.	23.59
American Book Co.	46.06
McGraw-Hill Book Co.	3.78
Foreign Policy Association	6.00
Scott, Foresman & Co.	108.76
Row, Peterson & Co.	47.06
Houghton-Mifflin Co.	53.64
Comet Press Books, Corp.	6.24
College Entrance Book Co.	12.03
The Bruce Pub. Co.	20.80
Ginn & Co.	85.90
Educators Progress Service	11.00
Oliver Cole, Summer School	60.00
Ernest Morin, Summer School	60.00

Allyn & Bacon, Inc.	39.20
Laidlaw Bros.	1.19
University Extension Division	16.03
Silver Burdett Co.	94.87
D. C. Heath Co.	5.98
World Book Co.	19.85
University of N. H.	15.30
Boston Music Co.	10.02
Benton Review Pub. Co.	26.65
Follett Pub. Co.	9.58
The John C. Winston Co.	1.02
Civic Education Service Inc.	6.40
Science Research Assoc.	34.65
American Education Pub.	42.25
Beedle Piano Co.	3.30
Junior Scholastic	16.00
L. W. Singer Co.	.74
National Education Assoc.	2.52
World Almanac	1.85
Oxford Book Co. Inc.	25.55
Encyclopedia Britannica	4.95
George McLure	31.64
Audubon Society of Canada	2.15
Americana Corp.	5.00
The Readers Digest	16.00
National Rifle Assoc.	8.37
National Council Teachers of England	1.50
Scholastic Magazines	80.58
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	1,158.84

8. *Scholars' Supplies:*

H. S. Kinsman Co., Inc.	35.11
J. L. Hammett Co.	473.66
Dietzgen Co., Inc.	6.44
Alvin & Co.	48.67
Lisbon Co., Inc.	49.80
Franconia Hardware Co.	172.00
Brodhead Garrett Co.	44.30
Central Scientific Co.	25.70
McGraw Hill Book Co.	19.90
Courier Printing Co.	2.00
General Biological Supply House	8.47
Northern Office Supply	4.50
Ross Taylor Chevrolet	54.77

Casco Products, Corp.	11.00	
Grafton Bldg. Supply Co.	11.41	
The N. Y. Times	15.00	
Central Scientific Co.	3.97	
Lisbon Bldg. Materials, Inc.	82.70	
Science Research Assoc.	6.89	
University of N. H.	13.43	
George McLure	24.14	
Littleton Hardware	1.41	
World Book Co.	4.10	
California Test Bureau	15.65	
American Book Co.	1.03	
Phillips Paper Co.	10.37	
Carolina Biological Supply Co.	11.04	
F. E. Aldrich & Son	4.86	
Treas., Lisbon Special School District	9.83	
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10. Supplies & Other Expenses:

MacLeod's Shops, ribbon	3.50	
N. H. Technical Institute	.75	
Howard L. Carr, servicing duplicator	27.00	
Lewis Express, fgt. on telescope	2.42	
F. E. Aldrich & Son, supplies	11.88	
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OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT

11. Janitor's Salary:

Merton Shores	2,800.00	
Charles Barry	20.00	
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12. Fuel or Heat:

Lisbon Grain & Coal Co.	2,384.60	
Franconia Hardware	34.40	
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13. Water, Lights, Supplies & Expenses:

Public Service Co. of N. H.	757.96	
Esso Service Station	77.31	
M. F. Bragdon Paint Co.	19.42	

Profile Cleaners, Draperies		
Cleaned	2.25	
MacLeods	22.32	
Littleton Hardware	84.75	
Franconia Hardware	54.96	
Geo. B. Robbins Disinfectant Co.	35.73	
Merton Shores	12.56	
Milton Bradley Co.	3.01	
Town of Franconia, Water		
Dept.	18.00	
Mac-Ray Chemical Assoc.	11.00	
Houle's Electrical Shop	8.44	
Franconia Village Store	.75	
The Depot Store, Inc.	3.35	
		1,111.81

MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT

14. Repairs & Replacements:

Charles Barry, labor	396.00	
Littleton Hardware, supplies	354.85	
The Depot Store	42.82	
Merton Shores, parts mower,		
labor	203.10	
H. F. Carr Agency, repairs		
typewriters	30.15	
Esso Service Station	36.05	
Mason's Radio Service	7.95	
Grafton Building Supply	7.11	
Willis Herbert, planks	10.00	
Greenland Service	93.18	
Franconia Hardware	118.65	
Heal Power Mower Co.	25.07	
Keene Sewing Machine Co.,		
repairs	34.50	
Northern Office Supply, repairs	26.50	
Houle's Electric Shop	3.45	
		1,389.38

AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

15. Health:

Ralph A. Parker, examinations	25.00
Lisbon District Nursing Assoc.	300.00

Family Drug Store, nurses supplies	4.32	
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16. Transportation:		
Perry Ball, Estate	206.00	
Ross Taylor	2,491.40	
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18. Special Activities:		
Paul Farris, Administrative Conf.	10.00	
Aldrich's Store, supplies reception	3.92	
George McLure, summer band	115.50	
Flora M. Ball, transportation band	18.00	
George McLure, band music	11.20	
Ross Taylor, transportation—ski & band	110.00	
Paul Farris, Athletics	200.00	
Paul Farris, Special Activities	200.00	
State of N. H., chg. on surplus com.	17.99	
Franconia Hardware	.58	
The Gift Mart, envelopes	1.50	
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A. Lunch		
Lucy Aldrich	200.00	
Lucy Aldrich	323.15	
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FIXED CHARGES

19. Retirement:		
N. H. Dept. Public Welfare, OASI	7.10	
Treas. State of N. H.	116.88	
N. H. Teachers Retirement	1,827.76	
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20. Insurance:		
Franconia Ins. Agency,	913.17	
Franconia Ins. Agency, Dr. Training	30.28	
Franconia Ins. Agency, Ins. Emp.	12.27	

N. H. School Board Assoc., dues 10.00

965.72

CAPITAL OUTLAY

22. *Additions & Improvements:*

Grafton Bldg. Supply	113.60
Cambosco Scientific Co., copper wire	5.37
Littleton Hdw. Co., wiring contract	642.46
Robert W. Sherburn, lumber	29.43
Franconia Hardware	208.56
Depot Store, celotex & plywood	23.85
A. N. Farr & Co., 7 storm sash	58.75
North Country Hdw., Inc., window fixtures	1.51
Franconia Hardware, emergency lights	141.23
Lisbon Bldg. Materials, Inc.	392.32
Charles Barry	36.00
Franconia Water Dept., Fixtures	37.35
Fred's Linoleum Shop, plastic, etc.	68.16

1,758.59

23. *New Equipment:*

Remington Rand, typewriters	257.50
Bradley M. Cooper, supplies & fixtures	136.45
R. C. Walker & Co., duplicator	149.50
Franconia Hardware, supplies	186.34
Brodhead Garrett Co., shop supplies	109.50
Paris Mfg. Co., school desks	32.72
Geo. B. Robbins Disenf. Co., vender	36.23
Littleton Hardware, soap dispenser	35.00
Cambosco Scientific Co., microscope	127.20

1,070.44

25. Payment of Debt:

Littleton Savings Bank	1,000.00
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26. Interest on Debt:

Littleton Savings Bank	210.00
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Contra Account	
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Alice Leavitt, School	
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Association Dues	12.00
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Total	
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	\$50,865.19

Deaths Registered in the Town of Franconia, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1955

Date of Death and Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Years		Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
		Male	Female			
Jan. 14 Pelham, Mass.	D. Horace Nelson Ph.D.	56 M	M	M	Elwyn C. Nelson	Elizabeth Brooks
Jan. 21 Franconia, N. H.	Barbara B. Prescott	29 F	F	M	Milward Brown	Marguerite
Jan. 22 Lisbon, N. H.	Richard A. Hubbard	34 M	M	M	Albert W. Hubbard	Edith Hoye
Mar. 14 Concord, N. H.	Minnie Potter	92 F	F	S	Joshua Potter	Clarissa Chute
Apr. 19 Whitefield, N. H.	Arthur H. Ingerson	91 M	M	M	Alonzo Ingerson	Eleanor Northley
May 6 Concord, N. H.	Edward H. Wells	94 M	M	W	Moses Wells	Rhoda J. Dexter
July 15 Franconia, N. H.	Ida D. Horne	76 F	F	W	Daniel H.	Cynthia A. Mooney
Aug. 14 Franconia, N. H.	Elwyn C. Nelson	88 M	M	W	Ellis Austin	Mildred Lewis
Nov. 2 Franconia, N. H.	Edna A. Shores	31 F	F	M	Mary Strong	Mary Strong
Nov. 25 Littleton, N. H.	Walter R. Eaton	79 M	M	W	Jacob	Elizabeth Merrill
Dec. 9 Lisbon, N. H.	John Lucas	86 M	M	W B & M R R	Edward Lucas	Elizabeth Merrill
Dec. 17 Haverhill, N. H.	Lawrence E. Clark	42 M	M	M	Oscar E. Clark	Alice E. Nelson

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

MARTHA G. CARPENTER, Town Clerk

Marriages Registered in the Town of Franconia, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1955

Date of Marriage and Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age of Groom and Bride	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Names of Parents	Name, Residence and official station of person by whom married
Jan. 29 Lyndonville, Vt.	Arthur B. Cassidy	Franconia, N. H.	19	Farming	Arthur A. Cassidy Amanda Locke	James J. Hutchinson Lyndonville, Vt. Clergyman
Apr. 21 Franconia, N. H.	Helen F. Wessels	Franconia, N. H.	27	Gilman Paper Co.	Leonard F. Wessels Martha A. Baines	Esther Vodola Franconia, N. H.
Apr. 23 Littleton, N. H.	Ross C. Taylor	Franconia, N. H.	27	Garage Owner	Harold O. Taylor Estella Lakin	Congregational Minister Littleton, N. H.
June 4 Franconia, N. H.	Katherine M. Call	Franconia, N. H.	39	Inn-Keeper	William P. McNally Catherine Nadeau	William M. Weber Littleton, N. H.
June 25 Whitefield, N. H.	Cleo D. Wood	Franconia, N. H.	31	N. H. Div. Recrea.	James B. Wood Ella D. Fasset	Prof. Episcopal Priest Franconia, N. H.
July 30 Franconia, N. H.	Helen M. Bridgeo	Franconia, N. H.	23	Teacher	Cecil S. Bridgeo Maud M. Hoard	Esther Vodola Franconia, N. H.
Sept. 10 Littleton, N. H.	Willard W. Johnson, Jr.	Franconia, N. H.	20	Dairyman	Willard W. Johnson Germaine DeLage	Congregational Minister Littleton, N. H.
Oct. 21 Littleton, N. H.	Katherine L. Cooley	Franconia, N. H.	20	Secretary	Durand B. Cooley Margaret E. Fortier	Justice of the Peace Littleton, N. H.
Nov. 10 Littleton, N. H.	Frank E. Hawes	Franconia, N. H.	46	Mason	Harry A. Hawes Margaret A. Hicks	Edgar M. Bowker Whitefield, N. H.
Dec. 10 Littleton, N. H.	Evelyn M. Johns	Lancaster, N. H.	45	At Home	Earl R. Waterman Mildred B. Rogers	Justice of the Peace Littleton, N. H.
Jan. 10 Littleton, N. H.	Roger E. Hall	Franconia, N. H.	23	Laborer	Edward Hall Angie Miller	Esther Vodola Franconia, N. H.
Feb. 10 Littleton, N. H.	Arlene F. Besaw	Franconia, N. H.	17	Waitress	Delos E. Besaw Ruby Stannard	Congregational Minister Littleton, N. H.
Mar. 10 Littleton, N. H.	Allen E. Grass	Franconia, N. H.	23	Forester	James E. Grass Esther E. Towle	Johnson A. Haines Littleton, N. H.
Apr. 10 Littleton, N. H.	Carolyn M. Kinne	Littleton, N. H.	23	Home Economist	Norman H. Kinne Glady's E. Parr	Clergyman Littleton, N. H.
May 10 Littleton, N. H.	Wilfred K. Glover	Franconia, N. H.	52	Contractor	Charles C. Glover Mable Mears	William T. Wallace Littleton, N. H.
June 10 Littleton, N. H.	Natalie B. Ball	Franconia, N. H.	36	Housewife	Clare T. Bodwell Inez Whitcomb	Clergyman Littleton, N. H.

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Your Town Report and Your People's Information

Your Region Association has had in 1955 one of the most active years. Naturally, the highlight was the Presidential visit in June, and we were honored by taking a direct part in various phases of the planning which went on for months previous. Seldom has the limelight been so directly centered on the White Mountains in a national scale.

Through all the complications and confusion surrounding that planning we somehow found time to carry on our normal schedule of work benefiting our towns. Much outside travel has carried the "message of the mountains" personally to Boston, Hartford, Springfield, New York, and Philadelphia. Events such as a Guides' Show and a Women's Golf Tournament were promoted and brought gratifying publicity. Stories and pictures were placed in many publications, and thousands of publicity folders distributed, as well as direct mail answering of several thousand letters and cards with information.

Our annual 4-H contest continues to have heartening results in encouraging young people's efforts through this fine organization. Another standby, the real-estate bulletin, has put property prospects in touch with property owners and realtors all over the region.

Is it all doing **you**, the tax-payer, any good? "Yes!" to that. We tracked down some of our mail inquirers in a random sample again this year. We found that out of **just this small sample** (500 letters and cards) we had 100 parties that spent just over \$17,000 in the Region! That represents over 2½ times the amount appropriated by all our towns last year. We're sure you would all be glad to invest \$1.00 to get back \$2.50, any day.

Naturally this income isn't the only total we brought in, as there are many, many more we have no way of tracing. But it does show this is big business. It means that these people are paying big sums of tax money that doesn't come out of **your** pockets. With your continued help we can ease the burden of the tax load in all towns, bringing outside money to help pay for state and local services that otherwise **you'd** have to finance.

David S. Casedy, Executive Secretary
WHITE MOUNTAINS REGION ASSOCIATION

