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**TOWN OF HEBRON**

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## TOWN OFFICERS

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### MODERATOR

Manson B. Smith

### TOWN CLERK

Oscar V. Morse

### SELECTMEN

Alan Esty

Norman W. Sanborn

Syd Huckins

### TREASURER

Oscar V. Morse

### TAX COLLECTOR

Justin T. McClure

### DEPUTY TAX COLLECTOR

Flora E. McClure

### SUPERVISORS

Arnold Barnard

Evelyn Smith

Bertha Braley

### AUDITORS

Foster McClelland

Alcott F. Elwell

### SCHOOL BOARD

Flora Braley

Barbara Barnard

Hazel Champney

### SCHOOL TREASURER

Evelyn Smith

### ACTING SCHOOL TREASURER

M. Parker Smith

### CLERK OF SCHOOL DISTRICT

Flora E. McClure

ROAD AGENT

Harold Hamblett

SPECIAL POLICE

George D. Gibbs

TRUNK LINE PATROLMAN

Roy Woodward

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Bertha Braley

Mary Rogers

Isobel Blodgett

CEMETERY COMMITTEE

Oscar V. Morse

Mary A. Rogers

Syd Huckins

TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS

Virginia McClelland

Flora E. McClure

Flora Braley

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER AND WOOD

AND BARK — FENCE VIEWERS

Fred W. Barnard

Carter Gibbs

Ned Braley

M. Parker Smith

Charles Hamblett

COMMON COMMITTEE

Syd Huckins

Oscar V. Morse

Charles Hamblett

LIBRARIAN

Isobel Blodgett

OVERSEER OF THE POOR

Norman W. Sanborn

FIRE WARDEN

George D. Gibbs

FIRE CHIEF

Walter P. Brockway

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

Myron Braley

Rodney Adams

Nelson Adams

Walter Merrill

CAPTAINS

Harold Hamblett

Nelson Adams

## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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To the Inhabitants of the Town of Hebron, in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Hebron Community Hall on Tuesday, the eleventh day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

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

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

3. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for Town Highways and Bridges.

4. To see if the Town will vote to accept Class V Highway Aid and raise and appropriate \$153.83 for same.

5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Village Library.

6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to reroof the Hebron Public Library.

7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for public relief.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to defray insurance premiums on the Fire Station, Workman's Compensation, Money and Securities and contents of the Library policies.

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$100.00 for maintenance of the Town Dump.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$65.00 (1/100 of assessed valuation) to the Newfound Region Chamber of Commerce for publi-

cizing and promoting the natural advantages of the Town in cooperation with other Towns in the Region.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$65.00 (1/100 of assessed valuation) to the Lakes Region Association for publicizing and promoting natural advantages of the Town in cooperation with other Towns in the Region.

12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Old Home Day.

13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Common improvement and maintenance.

14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the expense of Street Lighting.

15. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the purchase of a small road machine and make appropriations for same.

16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for expense of the Trustees of the Trust Funds.

17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to maintain the fire department.

18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for the Blister Rust control program.

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

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

Given under our hands and seal this 15th day of February in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-two.

ALAN E. ESTY,  
N. W. SANBORN,  
SYD HUCKINS,

Selectmen of Hebron



# TOWN OF HEBRON — BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1951

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## Assets

Cash

In hands of treasurer	\$ 4,018.42
In hands of officials	
Fire Insurance Proceeds - balance	592.61

Capital Reserve Funds:

Lake Shore Memorial Park Fund	6,403.11
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Accounts due to the Town—

Joint Highway Construction Accounts, Unexpended Bal. in State Treasury	.13
Bounty refund	15.50

Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 1951	21.21
Levy of 1950	26.60
Levy of 1949	27.51

Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1951	574.05
State Head Taxes—Levy of 1951	20.00

Total Assets	\$ 11,699.14
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	\$ 11,699.14
Net—Surplus, Dec. 31, 1950	1,760.45
Surplus, Dec. 31, 1951	2,818.95

## Liabilities

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### Accounts Owed by the Town:

Unexpended Balances of Special

Appropriations:

Improvements—Town Common	\$ 388.57
Improvements Town Cemeteries	518.38

Due to State:	570.00
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State Head Taxes—1951

Uncollected	\$ 20.00
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Collected—not remitted to State Treas.	550.00
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State and Town Joint Highway  
Construction Accounts:

Unexpended balance in State Treasury	.13
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Capital Reserve Funds:

Lake Shore Memorial Park fund	6,403.11
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Long Term Notes Outstanding:

Snow Removal Contract	1,000.00
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Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 8,880.19</u>
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Excess of assets over liabilities (Surplus)	2,048.02
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Reserve a/c excess Yield Taxes collected	770.92
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Grand Total	<u>\$ 11,699.14</u>
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TOWN OF HEBRON

RECEIPTS AND

Receipts

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes —	
Current Year	\$ 13,323.35
Poll Taxes - Current Year	
Regular @ \$2.00	180.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	7.00
Yield Taxes	726.79
State Head Taxes @ \$5	550.00

Total Current Year's Taxes collected and remitted \$ 14,787.14

Property Taxes and Yield Taxes	
Previous Years	219.31
Poll Taxes Previous Years	
Regular @ \$2	2.00
Interest received on Taxes	6.25
Penalties on State Head Taxes	4.00
Tax sales redeemed	532.49

From State:

Interest and dividend tax	799.12
Railroad Tax	3.09
Savings Bank Tax and Building	
and Loan Association Tax	119.22
Bounties	22.00
Reimbursement a/c Old Age	
Assistance	711.69

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1,655.12

From Local Sources, Except Taxes

Dog licenses	74.00
Business licenses, permits	
and filing fees	4.00
Interest received on deposits	67.37

Registration of motor vehicles,		
1950 permits	17.66	
1951 permits	771.28	
	<hr/>	934.31
Receipts other than Current Revenue:		
Refunds	35.28	
Gifts	37.35	
Sale of town property	81.52	
	<hr/>	154.15
Total Receipts from All Sources		<hr/> \$ 18,294.77
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1951		4,166.35
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Grand Total		\$ 22,461.12

PAYMENTS FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1951

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Payments

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$	752.00
Town Officers' Expenses		515.38
Expenses town hall and other town buildings		11.51

Protection of Persons and Property:

Fire department, including forest fires		112.96
Bounties		15.50
Insurance		303.27

Health:

Town dumps and garbage removal		71.00
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Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid		153.85
Town Maintenance		
Summer	\$	3,045.95
Winter		1,935.05
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		4,981.00
Street lighting		81.70

Libraries: 99.04

Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance 306.65

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day and  
Veteran's Associations 4.10

Recreation:

Old Home Day 100.00

Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries, including hearse hire	390.91	
Common	316.30	
		8,215.17

Unclassified:

Advertising and Regional Associations	65.00	
Taxes bought by town	21.21	
Bank charges	2.99	
		89.20

Total Current Maintenance Expenses	8,304.37
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Interest:

Paid on principal of trust funds used by town	175.17	
		175.17
Total Interest Payments		175.17

Outlay for New Construction,

Equipment and Permanent Improvements:

Moore lot improvements (landscaping)	287.30	
Fire Station	662.82	
Fire Equipment	959.32	
		1,909.44
Total Outlay Payments		1,909.44

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

Taxes paid to County	1,827.55	
Payments to School Districts 1951 Tax	5,633.56	
		7,461.11
Total Paid to Other Governmental Divisions		7,461.11

Total Payments for all Purposes	\$ 17,850.09
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1951	4,611.03

Grand Total	\$ 22,461.12
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## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

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Description	Value
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 1,487.30
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	2,000.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	4,235.37
Equipment	1,981.32
Schools, Lands and Buildings	4,000.00
Total	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$ 13,703.99

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

### INVENTORY OF TOWN

Lands and Buildings		\$569,260.00
Electric Plants	3	80,980.00
Horses	16	1,360.00
Oxen	2	300.00
Cows	32	3,880.00
Other Neat Stock	3	300.00
Sheep and Goats	6	120.00
Fowl	975	870.00
Boats and Launches	124	4,920.00
Portable Mills	1	100.00
Wood, Lumber, etc	10,000	300.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	6	710.00
Stock in Trade		900.00
Mills and Machinery		1,000.00
Total Gross Valuation before Exemptions Allowed		\$665,000.00
Less: Soldiers' Exemptions and Exemptions to Blind		4,350.00
Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate is Computed		\$660,650.00

### APPROPRIATIONS

Town Charges		\$ 1,400.00
Fire Department		
Fire Equipment	\$500.00	
Fire Department	200.00	
		<u>700.00</u>
Town Road Aid		153.85
Town Road Maintenance		3,258.85
Snow Plowing Contract		1,500.00
Town Dump Maintenance		100.00
Libraries		100.00
Old Age Assistance		450.00
Memorial Day		5.00
Advertising—Regional Asso.		65.00



County Tax	1,827.55
School Tax	4,133.56
Special App. for School improvements	1,500.00
Insurance	250.00
Moore Lot improvements	300.00
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	\$ 15,743.81

**TAXES ASSESSED**

Total Appropriations	\$ 15,743.81
Less: Estimated Revenues, Credits	1,778.45

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Plus Overlay	105.29
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Less: 95 Poll Taxes @ \$2	\$ 190.00
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National Bank Stock Taxes	7.00
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Amount to be raised by Property Taxes	\$ 13,873.65
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Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$ 13,873.65
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95 Poll Taxes	190.00
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National Bank Stock Tax	7.00
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Plus: Special Taxes	19.75
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Timber Taxes	726.79
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Head Taxes	595.00
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Total Committed	\$ 15,412.19
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**PROPERTY BOUGHT FOR TAXES**

Rudy Mertin Est.	1951	19.95
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	1950	21.85
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	1949	27.51
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\$ 69.31

W. Erving Pierce	1951	1.26
	1950	4.75
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		\$ 6.01

#### ABATEMENTS

Perley Hobart	\$	5.00
Margaret Hassan		7.00
Everett Hobart		5.00
Nathaniel Lears		5.00
Ella Steavens		2.00
Clinton McLane		5.00
Lucile Merrill		2.00

#### TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Alan Esty, Selectman	\$	150.00
N. W. Sanborn, Selectman		125.00
Syd Huckins, Selectman		125.00
Justin T. McClure, Tax Collector		100.00
Oscar V. Morse, Clerk		50.00
Oscar V. Morse, Treasurer		50.00
Isobel Blodgett, Librarian		50.00
M. Parker Smith, Ballot Clerk		6.00
Ned Braley, Ballot Clerk		6.00
Walter Merrill, Ballot Clerk		6.00
Arnold Barnard, Supervisor		6.00
Bertha Braley, Supervisor		10.50
Evelyn Smith, Supervisor		10.50
Alcott Elwell, Auditor		6.00
Foster McClelland, Auditor		6.00
Manson B. Smith, Moderator		8.00
Viola Jesseman, Ballot Clerk		12.00
Syd Huckins, Janitor		25.00
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	\$	752.00

#### TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

U. S. Auto & Truck Guide	\$	6.00
N. H. Assessors Asso., dues		2.00
Record Print, Town Reports & ballots		193.92
Brown & Saltmarsh, selectmen's stamp		3.26

F. J. Shores, Register, transfers, etc.	7.45
John C. Ray, Town officers bonds	53.50
Record Print, ballots	15.40
Wheeler & Clark, supplies	3.55
Enterprise Press, notices	2.20
Samuel G. Hall, Running Town Line	40.00
N. H. Tax Collectors' Asso., dues	3.00
Edison C. Eastman Co., supplies	3.25
Anne Esty, copying invoice books	6.00
Wheeler & Clark, supplies	12.15
Brown & Saltmarsh, office supplies	1.09
Syd Huckins, selectmen's expenses	21.63
Isobel Blodgett, librarian expenses	15.00
Enterprise Press, notices	1.50
Anne Esty, copying books	1.00
Justin T. McClure, Collector's expenses	16.88
Oscar V. Morse, Treasurer's, Clerk's expenses	91.60
John C. Ray, bond for deputy collector	15.00
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	\$ 515.38

#### TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE

Appropriation 1951	\$ 3,258.85	
Less: Reserve for Sanding	300.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,958.85
Harold Hamblett, labor	775.80	
Harold Hamblett, truck	769.50	
Charles Hamblett, labor	703.80	
Frank Hobart, labor	14.40	
Everett Hobart, labor	49.50	
Clayton Hobart, labor	201.15	
Richard Braley, labor	1.80	
Herbert Morgan, labor	88.20	
Frank Gurney, labor	46.80	
Raymond Davis, labor	7.20	
Neil Davis, labor	140.40	
George Serrine, labor	2.70	
Cecil Davis, labor and team	3.60	
William Merrill	19.80	
R. S. Yeaton, Inc, bridge plank	48.01	
W. R. Merrill, gravel	26.55	
Florence Merrill, gravel	1.50	
Follansbee Co., street brooms & shovels	9.05	

Cavis Bros., street broom	2.85	
Town of Plymouth, cold patch	42.00	
Town of Groton, road machine	12.00	
New England Culvert Co., culvert	79.34	
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	\$ 3,045.95	
Overdraft	87.10	
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		\$ 2,958.85

#### SANDING

Reserved for Sanding		\$ 300.00
Expenditures 1951:		
Harold Hamblett, labor	\$ 106.65	
Harold Hamblett, truck	113.85	
Charles Hamblett, labor	100.80	
Frank Gurney, labor	20.25	
Everett Hobart, labor	12.60	
Raymond Davis, labor	7.20	
George Davis, labor	7.20	
Neil Davis, labor	7.20	
Myron Braley, labor	7.20	
Ned Braley, labor	7.20	
Donald Champney, labor	7.20	
Rodney Adams, labor	1.95	
Ferley Mathews, sand	5.55	
Merrimack Farmers Exchange, salt	23.00	
Ned Braley, truck	7.20	
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Total	\$ 435.05	
Overdraft	135.05	
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		\$ 300.00

#### TOWN ROAD AID

State Highway Dept.	153.85
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#### SNOW PLOW CONTRACT

Philip Knowles	1,500.00
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#### BOUNTIES

Hedgehogs:	
Neil Davis	\$ .50
Raymond Davis	1.00
Frank Gurney	1.00

George Serrine	3.25
George Patten	6.00
Syd Huckins	1.25
Herbert Morgan	.25
Margaret Hassan	1.00
Sarah Youngman	.25
Frank Gurney	1.00
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	\$ 15.50

#### TOWN DUMP MAINTENANCE

Appropriation 1951	\$	100.00
Raymond Davis, bulldozing	\$	35.00
Burghardt & Co., bulldozing		36.00
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	\$	71.00
Unexpended Balance		29.00
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	\$	100.00

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT MAINTENANCE

Appropriation 1951	\$	200.00
Public Service Co., lights	\$	1.00
Public Service Co., lights		1.00
Syd Huckins, fuel		6.20
Public Service Co., lights		1.00
Public Service Co., lights		2.50
Syd Huckins, gasoline		1.45
Public Service Co., lights		1.25
Public Service Co., lights		1.25
Public Service Co., lights		1.25
Bun Swett, oil, drum & fittings		38.29
Bun Swett, fuel & oil		20.69
Henry Provost, Sect. Relief Asso.		20.00
Maurice Zing, Sect. Firemens Retirement		30.00
W. P. Brockway, fire chief, expenses & supplies		9.02
Syd Huckins, cleaning around station		7.90
Geo. D. Gibbs, fire meeting		5.30

Nelson Adams, fire meeting		3.96	
Total	\$	152.06	
Unexpended Balance		47.94	
			\$ 200.00

### FIRE EQUIPMENT

Diamond T Sales & Service, fire truck	\$	500.00	
Standard Oil Co., tank		30.00	
Fire Protection Co., fire equipment		66.50	
Rand Co., bolts & lags for truck		11.10	
Fire Protection Co., suction hose coupling		16.74	
Keezer Bros., truck body oak		41.30	
Fyr-Fyter Co., extinguishers		105.24	
Arnold Barnard Garage, labor & supplies on tank truck		155.44	
Fyr-Fyter Co., chimney flares		22.53	
Forestry & Recreation Dept., Indian pumps		53.70	
Total	\$	1,002.55	
Fire Equipment Appro.	\$	500.00	
G. H. B. Club, gift		37.35	
Camp Pasquaney, for fire extinguishers		52.62	
	\$	589.97	
Overdraft	\$		412.58

### FIRE STATION

Chase Grain, paint	\$	10.36	
Hall Gregg Co., sash		5.52	
H. D. Watts, painting		11.88	
A. M. Rand Co		5.62	
H. D. Watts, painting		28.25	
N. W. Sanborn, varnish and filler		16.86	
H. D. Watts, painting		68.75	
A. M. Rand Co. sander for floor		5.87	
H. D. Watts, painting		44.38	
Merrimack Farmers Exch., cement		42.00	
Ned Braley, cement floor		233.08	
Frank B. Wells Co.		12.50	
Merrimack Farmers Exch., cement		12.00	
Frank Hobart, labor on hose racks		20.00	

Chase Grain Co., lumber for hose racks		7.13
C. L. Esty, lumber for hose racks		21.32
Ralph Cass, gutters on roof		19.97
H. D. Watts, oiling hose racks		10.00

Total		\$	580.49
Balance of Appropriation	\$	427.45	
Refunds on materials not used		41.75	
			<u>469.20</u>

Overdraft		\$	111.29
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### TOWN COMMON

No Appropriation			
Balance in Treasury, Jan. 1, 1951		\$	704.87
Syd Huckins, labor	\$	300.00	
Charles Hamblett, labor		2.25	
Harold Hamblett, labor		2.25	
Neil Davis, labor		2.25	
Harold Hamblett, truck		2.25	
Alan Brockway, labor		1.00	
Rand's, supplies		.60	
Gas and oil, mower		2.04	
12 light bulbs		2.16	
Sharpening mower		1.50	
Total Expended		\$	316.30
Balance in Treasury Jan. 1, 1952			388.57
		\$	<u>704.87</u>

### COMMON REPORT

The much improved portion of the Common is in excellent shape. The heavy rains were just what the Common needed.

I put on four loads of very fine hen manure on the weak spots that made the difference in the sand spots. The Common was mowed 22 times all over and part was mowed a few times extra.

SYD HUCKINS

## CEMETERIES

No Appropriation

Balance in treasury Jan. 1 \$ 909.29

Permanent improvements on 18

unimproved lots:

Syd Huckins, labor \$ 77.60

Charles Hamblett, labor 13.50

Harold Hamblett, labor 9.90

Herbest Brothers, grass seed 25.93

Syd Huckins, manure 25.00

Merrimack Farmers Exch.,  
2 tons of lime 22.78

Total \$ 174.71

Maintenance:

Syd Huckins, mowing & trim \$ 100.00

Frank Morgan, trim 2.70

Andrew Morgan, trim 2.70

Alan Brockway, trim 2.75

Syd Huckins, raking & truck-  
ing leaves 57.60

Frank Morgan, raking leaves 18.00

Syd Huckins, mow, rake, trucking  
leaves in Pratt cemetery 22.40

Barnard's Garage, repairs on mower,  
gas & oil 8.55

Frank Morgan, sharpening mower 1.50

Total 216.20

Total Expended 390.91

Balance in Treasury, Jan. 1, 1952 518.38

\$ 909.29

## PUBLIC WELFARE

State Dept. Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance \$ 306.65



PUBLICITY

Newfound Region Association 65.00

OTHER PAYMENTS

County Tax 1,827.55  
School District 5,633.56

CERTIFICATION

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

ALAN ESTY,  
N. W. SANBORN,  
SYD HUCKINS,

Selectmen

OSCAR V. MORSE,

Treasurer

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Circulation	1500
New Books Added	53

### Receipts

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1951	\$ 52.41
Received from Town	75.00
	\$ 127.41

### Expenditures

New Books & Magazines	\$70.61
Due Town on bills paid Tucker & Huckins for wiring	15.25
	85.86
Total expenditures	85.86
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1952	\$ 41.55
	\$ 127.41

## MOORE LOT IMPROVEMENT

Appropriation 1951	\$ 300.00
Arthur Hampson, filling cellar hole	\$ 200.00
Harold Hamblett, filling cellar hole	76.90
Syd Huckins, labor	10.40
	\$ 287.30
Total expended	\$ 287.30
Unexpended Balance	12.70
	\$ 300.00

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT FOR 1951

### LEVY OF 1951

Dr.

Prop., Poll & Nat. Bk. Tax	\$ 14,070.65
Yield Taxes	726.79
Added Taxes	19.75
Interest collected	.54
	\$14,817.73

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Remit to Treas. in 1951		\$ 14,237.68	
Abatements—Poll Tax		6.00	
Uncollected Taxes		574.05	
		<hr/>	\$14,817.73
	LEVY OF 1950		
	Dr.		
Uncoll. as of Jan. 1, 1951	\$	224.34	
Int. Coll. in 1951		5.71	
		<hr/>	\$ 230.05
	Cr.		
Remit to Treas. in 1951		227.02	
Abatement—Poll Hassan		2.00	
Uncoll.—Town of Hebron		1.38	
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Total	\$	230.40	
Less overpayment by collector		.35	
		<hr/>	\$ 230.05

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1951

Dr.

	Tax Sales on Account of Levy of:		
	1951	1950	1949
			Previous Years
Taxes paid by Town in 1951	*21.21	**4.75	
Balance Unred. Jan. 1, 1951		†182.85	*†151.01
Interest Collected after sale		2.62	24.16
Totals	21.21	190.22	220.31

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Remit to Treasurer in 1951	163.62	192.80	175.17
Unred. Taxes December 31, 1951	21.21	26.60	none
Totals	21.21	190.22	220.31
* 19.95 R. Mertin			
1.26 I. W. Pierce	21.85 Mertin	\$27.51 Mertin	175.87 Hassan
	161.00 Hassan	† 175.87 Hassan	*† 175.17 Hassan

STATE HEAD TAX WARRANT—LEVY OF 1951

	Dr.		
Total Commitment		\$ 595.00	
Penalties collected		4.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 599.00
	Cr.		
Remit to Treas. in 1951		550.00	
Penalties		4.00	
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Total remittance		554.00	
Abatements		25.00	
Uncollected		20.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 599.00

J. T. McCLURE,  
Tax Collector

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT — 1951

Balance Pemigewasset National Bank, Jan. 1, 1951		\$ 1,637.97
Balance Plymouth Savings Bank, Jan. 1, 1951		2,528.38
Received during year		18,294.77
Paid on Selectmen's orders	\$ 17,847.10	
Bank charges	2.99	
Balance Nat'l. Bank, Jan. 1, 1952	3,511.03	
Balance Savings Bank, Jan. 1, 1952	1,000.00	
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	\$ 22,461.12	\$22,461.12

OSCAR V. MORSE,  
Town Treasurer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT—1951

5 Motor Vehicle Permits from 1950 issued	\$	17.66
117 Motor Vehicle Permits issued for 1951		771.28
1 Dog license for 1950		2.00
27 Dog licenses for 1951		72.00
5 Births registered		
2 Deaths registered		
No marriages		
No fires during year		

OSCAR V. MORSE,

Town Clerk

These Reports have been examined and found correct.

FOSTER McCLELLAND,

ALCOTT FARRAR ELWELL,

Auditors

**TRUST FUNDS**  
**Village Cemetery**

Labor on Special Lots by Syd Huckins

	Manure	Seed	Lime	Labor & Mow	Total
Susan Hammond			.15	.35	.50
Woodbury	.50		.40	1.00	1.90
Fred Coburn	.50		1.00	8.50	10.00
McClure & Merrill			.40	3.80	4.20
Laura Walker		.50	.40	4.00	4.90
Hattie Hazeltine			.40	3.00	3.40
Flint		.20	.10	.20	.50
Jewell		.25	.15	.80	1.20
Lou Barnard		.25	.15	1.75	2.15
Whittemore		.40		3.00	3.40
W. S. Morse			.15	1.85	2.00
W. G. Gurney		.25	.15	.20	.60
Ellen George			.25	1.75	2.00
Esther Hemphill			.15	.50	.65
D. N. Kemp			.25	1.00	1.25
					\$38.65

CHURCH TREASURER'S REPORT  
OF TRUST FUNDS

For the Support of Preaching

1951

Jan. 19	Sally Perkins	\$	20.89
Jan. 19	C. W. Powers		17.50
Jan. 19	Baptist Society by C. W. Powers		4.40
	Received Interest	\$	42.79
April 13	Sally Perkins		30.00
July 16	Sally Perkins		35.04
	Received Interest	\$	65.04
	Total	\$	107.83

1951

Jan. 31	Paid Rev. Walter P. Brockway	\$	42.79
Apr. 30	Paid Rev. Walter P. Brockway		30.00
July 31	Paid Rev. Walter P. Brockway		35.04
		\$	107.83

ALICE M. SMITH,

Church Treasurer



# Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Hebron, N. H., on December 31, 1951

DATE OF CREATION	TRUST FUNDS PURPOSE OF CREATION All trust funds should be reported giving name of fund and donor	HOW INVESTED State character and rate of return for each investment. State also, if funds were "borrowed or used for city or town purposes" and indicate whether notes have been used as required by Chapter 51, Sec. 23, Revised Laws.	AMOUNT OF PRINCIPAL	Rate of Int.	Balance of Income at Hand at Beginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income at End of Year
Jan. 26, 1896	Sally S. Perkins, For Preaching	Laconia Savings Bank .....	1,671.62	2 1/2	85.93	85.93		
Jan. 26, 1896	Sally S. Perkins, For Preaching	Plymouth Savings Bank .....	1,200.00	2 1/2				
Jan. 26, 1896	Sally S. Perkins, For Preaching	Bristol Savings Bank .....	566.40	2 1/2				
Nov. 3, 1896 C.	W. Powers, For Preaching	N. H. Savings Bank .....	700.00	2 1/2	17.50	17.50	17.50	17.50
Dec. 16, 1896	Baptist Society, For Preaching	N. H. Savings Bank .....	176.00	2 1/2	4.40	4.40	4.40	4.40
Nov. 24, 1909	Franklin Fogg, Hebron Common	N. H. Savings Bank .....	500.00	2 1/2	63.21	12.60	12.60	80.56
Nov. 24, 1909	Franklin Fogg, Hebron Common	U. S. Bond .....	194.25	2 1/2	4.85			
Mar. 16, 1896	Deborah Powers, For Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank .....	1,000.00	2 1/2	75.00	25.00	1.50	98.50
Feb. 16, 1897	D. N. Kemp, For Pratt Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank .....	375.00	2 1/2	54.50	10.03	1.25	63.28
Nov. 12, 1914	Wm. S. Morse, Care of Pratt Cemetery	Plymouth Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2	9.47	1.43	2.00	8.90
Nov. 21, 1916	Ellen George, George Lot	Plymouth Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2	3.23	1.25	.65	3.85
May 21, 1905	Susan Hammond, Hammond Lot	N. H. Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2	6.68	2.50	2.00	6.18
Oct. 11, 1910	Zabina Woodbury, Woodbury Lot	N. H. Savings Bank .....	25.00	2 1/2	4.42	.70	.50	4.62
May 25, 1916	Annie M. Stanyon, Writtemore Lot	Amoskeag Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2	7.48	3.02	3.40	7.10
Sept. 20, 1923	Fred Coburn, Cemetery Lots	St. Johnsbury, Vt., Bank .....	200.00	1 1/2	24.17	6.25	10.00	20.42
Feb. 2, 1927	J. T. McClure, McClure & Merrill Lots in Cemetery	Plymouth Savings Bank .....	250.00	2 1/2	4.79	2.50	4.20	3.09
Apr. 10, 1930	Baptist Parsonage Fund, Usage of Schools Groton, Hebron	Plymouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2				
July 29, 1935	Laura H. Walker, Walker	N. H. Savings Bank .....	458.71	2 1/2	16.20	11.85		28.05
Aug. 7, 1926	Hattie Hazelton Fund, Sweet Lot	N. H. Savings Bank .....	200.00	2 1/2	29.69	5.00	4.90	29.79
June 20, 1898	Arthur H. Flint, Cemetery Lot	Plymouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2				
Sept. 23, 1942	Jewell Fund, Jewell Lot	Plymouth Savings Bank .....	25.00	2 1/2	.63	.63	.50	.76
July 2, 1943	Lou M. Barnard Fund, Barnard Lot	Plymouth Savings Bank .....	50.00	2 1/2	1.75	1.25	1.20	1.80
Aug. 26, 1943	Elizabeth Gurney, Wallace Gurney Lot	Plymouth Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2	1.79	2.50	2.15	2.14
Oct. 6, 1904	Ellen George Fund, Hebron Library	Bristol Savings Bank .....	100.00	2 1/2	2.08	2.55		4.63
Oct. 9, 1940	Thomas I Emerson, Hebron Library	Bristol Savings Bank .....	161.05	2 1/2	37.11	5.92		43.03
	Unspecified balance carried forward from previous years	Bristol Savings Bank .....	200.00	2 1/2	45.71			45.71
Dec 31 1945-50	Lake Shore Memorial Fund—Cap. Res.	Plymouth Savings Bank .....	6,000.00	2 1/2	403.11			403.11
			Totals	\$14,652.03	790.04	212.56	146.48	856.12

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief. Date Jan. 22, 1952  
 FLORA R. BRALEY, FLORA E. McCCLURE, VIRGINIA S. McCLELLAND, Trustees.

## BIRTHS

Date, Place, Name of Child, Name of Father, and Maiden Name  
of Mother

1950

Jan. 18 Washington, D. C.; Wayne Merrill Esty; Stanley Leroy Esty; Betsy Frances Merrill.

1951

Jan. 7 Concord; Robin Elsie Merrill; William Edwin Merrill; Lucille Abbie Brooks.

Mar. 30 Franklin; Gordon Allen Adams; Nelson Curtis Adams; Fay Norma King.

Aug. 30 Hebron; James Paul Hazlett; George Hazlett; Dorothy Ada Stuart.

Dec. 15 Plymouth; Mark Richard Braley; Norton Walter Braley; Janet Parsons.

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## MARRIAGES — NONE

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## DEATHS

Date of Death, Place, Name of Deceased and Age

1951

July 21 Holderness, John Wise, 78 years.

Dec. 30 Hebron, Fred Noah Barnard, 72 years.

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

OSCAR V. MORSE,  
Town Clerk

## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Community Hall in said district on the 11th day of March 1952, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the district will vote to make any alterations 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 what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate to increase the insurance on the Village school.
10. To see if the school district will authorize the school board to sell the East Hebron school house and land.
11. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at Hebron this 4th day of  
February, 1952.

FLORA R. BRALEY,  
BARBARA A. BARNARD,  
HAZEL M. CHAMPNEY,  
School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

FLORA R. BRALEY,  
BARBARA A. BARNARD,  
HAZEL M. CHAMPNEY,  
School Board

ANNUAL REPORT OF  
HEBRON SCHOOL DISTRICT

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SCHOOL DIRECTORY

District Officers

Alcott F. Elwell  
Evelyn S. Smith  
Flora E. McClure  
Flora E. McClure  
Alcott F. Elwell

Moderator  
Treasurer  
Clerk  
Auditor  
Auditor

School Board

Flora R. Braley  
Barbara Barnard  
Hazel Champney

Term expires 1952  
Term expires 1953  
Term expires 1954

Teacher

Jean H. Meredith

Village

Attendance Officer

Manson B. Smith

Superintendent of Schools

C. Maurice Gray

School Nurse

Grace Filfalt, R.N.

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF  
SCHOOL TREASURER AND SCHOOL BOARD  
For the fiscal year ending June 30, 1951**

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**Treasurer's Report**

Summary:

Cash on hand June 30, 1950	\$	319.01
Received from selectmen, appropriation	\$	4,698.80
Received from all other sources		76.59
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Total receipts		4,775.39
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Total amount available for fiscal year		5,094.40
Less School Board orders paid		4,798.89
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Balance on hand as of June 30, 1951	\$	295.51

EVELYN S. SMITH,

Treasurer

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**Auditor's Certificate**

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This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Hebron, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1951 and find them correct in all respects.

FLORA E. McCLURE,

ALCOTT F. ELWELL,

Auditors

## SCHOOL BOARD'S REPORT

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Receipts:

From Selectmen, appropriation	\$ 4,698.80
From Frank Gurney, rent	70.00
From Flora E. McClure, filing fees	4.00
From American Book Company, refund	2.59
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Total receipts	\$ 4,775.39
Balance on hand as of June 30, 1950	319.01
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Grand Total	\$ 5,094.40

## Detailed Statement of Payments

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### Salaries of District Officers:

Florence G. Merrill, school board	\$ 40.00	
Barbara Barnard, school board	20.00	
Flora R. Braley, school board	20.00	
Manson B. Smith, census & truant officer	10.00	
Evelyn S. Smith, treasurer	15.00	
Flora E. McClure, clerk and auditor	3.00	
Alcott F. Elwell, auditor	2.00	
	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/>	\$ 110.00

### Superintendent's Salary:

Supervisory Union No. 4	176.31
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### Expenses of Administration:

Supervisory Union No. 4 clerk and office expense	74.90	
The Enterprise Press, printing and notices	25.00	
N. H. School Board's Associa- tion, dues	3.00	
First National Bank, Bristol, service charges	1.13	
Brown & Saltmarsh, Inc., supplies	3.90	
The Record Print, ballots	8.00	
Evelyn Smith, postage	5.44	
	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/>	\$ 121.37

### Teacher's Salary:

Isobel Blodgett	\$ 1,425.91	
Coll. of Internal Revenue	125.80	
N. H. Teachers' Retirement System	130.05	
Bristol School District, Blue Cross	8.40	
Mrs Maurice Smith, substitute	40.00	
	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/>	\$ 1,730.16



Text Books:

Universal Book & Bible House	\$	4.99	
Rand McNally & Co.		8.55	
Webster Publishing Co.		3.30	
Houghton Mifflin Co.		3.06	
		<hr/>	\$ 19.90

Scholars' Supplies:

Cascade Paper Co.	\$	21.49	
American Book Co.		3.44	
Row, Peterson & Co.		1.62	
Houghton Mifflin Co.		8.63	
Webster Publishing Co.		1.68	
Rand McNally & Co.		3.06	
Cardigan Sport Store		2.20	
American Education Press		6.20	
Gledhill Bros., Inc.		4.34	
Bristol School District		3.99	
		<hr/>	\$ 56.65

Other Expenses of Instruction:

Valley Forge Flag Co., Inc.	\$	5.41	
Brown & Saltmarsh, Inc.,			
Treas cash book		10.00	
Supervisory Union No. 4,			
workshop expense		2.15	
J. L. Hamnett Co., bracket			
and diploma covers		4.87	
		<hr/>	\$ 22.43

Janitor Service:

Syd Huckins			100.00
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Fuel:

Florence G. Merrill, wood	\$	64.00	
George Gibbs, sawing wood		9.00	
Syd Huckins, putting in wood		6.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 79.00

Water, Light & Janitor Supplies:

White River Paper Co.	\$	33.51	
Public Service Co. of N. H.		9.65	

Bristol School District	2.40		
Cavis Brothers	1.64		
		<u>          </u>	\$ 47.20
Minor Repairs & Expenses:			
Mrs. Eva Hamblett, cleaning	\$ 26.33		
Harold Hamblett, putting up fence	16.00		
H. J. Follansbee Co., glass	.85		
Syd Huckins, cleaning vault	5.00		
		<u>          </u>	\$ 48.18
Medical Inspection:			
Supervisory Union No. 4, nurse's salary and record book		123.24	
Phyllis Robertson, R. N., trans- portation of children to clinics		7.81	
		<u>          </u>	\$ 131.05
Transportation of Pupils:			
Arnold Barnard	\$ 916.50		
Flora Braley	163.50		
		<u>          </u>	\$ 1,080.00
High School Tuition:			
Bristol School District	\$ 350.00		
Plymouth School District	430.00		
		<u>          </u>	\$ 780.00
Other Special Activities:			
Flora Braley, express on water samples	\$ 3.50		
Bristol Cash Market, picnic supplies	4.44		
Florence G. Merrill, corsage for graduation	2.00		
		<u>          </u>	\$ 9.94
Insurance:			
William H. Marston, agent			113.75
Other Fixed Charges:			
John C. Ray, treasurer's bond	\$ 5.00		

N. H. Teachers Retirement System	112.53	
State Treasurer, per capita tax	26.00	
Supervisory Union No. 4, Supt's. retirement	9.72	
	<u>          </u>	\$ 153.25
New Equipment:		
Edward E. Babb Co.		19.70
		<u>          </u>
Total expenditures		\$ 4,798.89

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#### Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

FLORA R. BRALEY,  
BARBARA BARNARD,  
HAZEL CHAMPNEY,

School Board

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF REMODELING  
VILLAGE SCHOOL**

**Receipts**

From Selectmen, appropriation	\$	1,500.00	
From F. W. Horne Co., loan		\$4,000.00	
Less Int. @ 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ %		165.00	3,835.00
			\$ 5,335.00
			\$ 5,335.00

**Expenditures**

Manson Morrill, contract on carpentry work	\$	2,800.00	
Plymouth Plumbing & Heating Co., contract on plumbing & well		1,150.00	
Greenwood Plumbing Co., contract on furnace		788.25	
Harold Watts, painting, puttying windows		164.31	
Frank B. Wells Co., paint		17.09	
A. M. Rand Co., paint		22.87	
Railway Express Agency, express on lights		6.80	
Twin State Electrical Supply Co., Inc., lights		219.20	
George W. Tucker, wiring for furnace		40.08	
George W. Tucker, installing lights		23.92	
Manson Morrill, building work- bench & storage cabinet		63.50	
			\$ 5,296.02
Balance			\$ 38.98

## COMPARATIVE BUDGETS

Item	1950-51 Budget	1950-51 Expend.	1951-52 Budget	1951-52 Est. Exp.	1952-53 Est. Budget
<b>ADMINISTRATION</b>					
Salaries of district officers	\$ 110.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 110.00
Supt.'s salary (local share)	176.31	176.31	186.11	186.11	184.88
Tax for state wide supervision	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	32.00
Salaries of other admin. personnel		57.18	70.70	70.70	70.13
Supplies and expenses	40.00	64.19	60.00	60.00	60.00
<b>INSTRUCTION</b>					
Teachers' salaries	1,700.00	1,730.16	1,800.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Books and other aids	50.00	19.90	50.00	40.00	40.00
Scholars' supplies	40.00	56.65	40.00	40.00	50.00
Supplies and other expenses	10.00	22.43	10.00	10.00	10.00
<b>OPERATION OF SCHOOL PLANT</b>					
Salary of janitor	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
Fuel or heat	120.00	79.00	100.00	185.24	120.00
Water, light, supplies & exp.	30.00	47.20	50.00	40.00	40.00
<b>MAINTENANCE OF SCHOOL PLANT</b>					
Repairs & replacements	40.00	48.18	40.00	185.00	40.00

AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES

Health supervision	120.00	124.32	133.75	134.43	111.25
Transportation of pupils	1,335.00	1,080.00	760.00	563.50	540.00
Tuition, high school	715.00	780.00	904.00	677.00	750.00
Tuition, elementary					
Spec. activities & spec. funds	10.00	16.67	10.00	10.00	10.00
<b>FIXED CHARGES</b>					
Retirement	15.59	122.25	127.00	127.00	140.00
Insurance, treas. bonds, & exp.	184.90	118.75	5.00	17.58	5.00
<b>(CONTINGENCY FUND</b>					
<b>TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSES</b>	<b>4,822.80</b>	<b>4,779.19</b>	<b>4,582.56</b>	<b>4,582.56</b>	<b>4,413.26</b>
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>					
Additions and improvements				1,500.00	
New equipment	10.00	19.70	10.00	10.00	50.00
Payments into Capital Reserve Fund					
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>19.70</b>	<b>10.00</b>	<b>1,510.00</b>	<b>50.00</b>
<b>DEBT AND INTEREST</b>					
Principal of debt					2,000.00
Interest on debt					
<b>TOTAL DEBT AND INTEREST</b>					<b>2,000.00</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 4,832.80</b>	<b>\$ 4,798.89</b>	<b>\$ 4,592.56</b>	<b>\$ 6,092.56</b>	<b>\$ 6,463.26</b>

# SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE

1952-53

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Estimated Balance  
State Aid  
Federal Aid  
Trust Funds  
H. S. Tuition  
Elem. Tuition  
Other Income

Total Other Than Property Taxes  
District Assessment

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\$ 6,463.26

Total Appropriation

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\$ 4,463.26

## SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1952-53

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Open Sept. 3	Close Nov. 26—12:30
Open Dec. 1	Close December 19
Open Jan. 5	Close Feb. 20
Open March 2	Close April 24
Open May 4	Close completion 180 days

Days out: Plymouth Fair one day; Nov. 27, 28.

Total number of days required by State Board is 180 including 3 for institutes and conventions, and up to five for workshops.

Pupils may enter the first grade provided they are six before Jan. 1.

Vaccination is required by state law unless child has written excuse from doctor.

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### GENERAL STATISTICS

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#### Enrollment by Grades

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Totals
1950-51	2	0	4	1	3	0	0	1	11
1951-52 Jan. 2	1	2	2	3	2	2	0	0	12

#### District Totals

	Av. Attend.	Av. Abs.	Av. Memb.	%Attend
1950-51	9.7	.7	10.4	93.3
1951-52, Dec. 21	8.8	.3	9.0	97.7

#### Tuition Pupils

Bristol High School—\$225.00
Myrna Braley      Grade 10
Warren Tripp      Grade 10
Plymouth High School — \$227.00
Beverly Hobart      Grade 9



## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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The past school year has been marked by the biggest material gains for a long time. Canaan has built and is now occupying a 10 room elementary school, Bristol's memorial school is now nearing completion and several other milestones have been passed. Hebron completely rebuilt its school adding a heating room and now has one of the best, if not the best, rural school in the state. Groton added automatic oil to its school, Bridgewater completed the furnace room, insulated, and painted and the other towns did significant amounts of maintenance. A great deal of repair and maintenance work has been done in the past five years and systematic programing of work should be continued. This may be done in some districts on a lower per year cost but it is questionable economy over a period of years to do nothing and then try to "catch up" for the years past. This may work well only in case such work is done on the down swing of an economic cycle but the chances seem just as good that they might have to be done on the reverse swing with inflated prices. A moderate amount of money on a yearly basis should now keep most of our buildings in good repair.

Our most successful workshop of the four was held this year on "Improving Reading." The teachers through their own members organized this, secured the speakers, and in general planned and executed the whole thing, a very fine achievement. After experimenting with various times of the year the Labor Day week was selected and proved a fine choice. Efforts will be made in the future to hold workshops during that week if possible. It is not a good week to obtain speakers but otherwise seems perfect. There will be no workshop next year since we all feel that we need a year to consolidate what gains we have made and to work continuously on reading and related problems. For once Union No. 4 seems to be in front of a modern swing in educational circles back to more of the fundamentals. However, we should not feel too elated

over this since we are in the fore only because we've never had the time or money to be greatly concerned with educational frills and it may be more truthful to say that the parade has made the cycle and finds us on its return trip! In spite of all modern theories and practices if we can keep classes small enough and staffed well enough so that we do not lose sight of the individual child and do the best we can for him in school and out we will not err too much and our pupils will have a solid basic education.

This "reporter" believes in trying to keep well informed and to keep others with whom he works well informed. To overlook the fact that we do not live by ourselves alone and that we are in a highly competitive society would be disastrous to our children. Potentially excellent teachers, and even some of the fine experience, are being drawn away from teaching by better paying positions either in the semi-skilled or skilled trades. Just one instance will show this. During the past week a representative of the federal government was in a high school looking for typists to start at over \$2700.00. We have 19 teachers, most of several years of experience, getting \$2300 or less! A small chart showing comparative salaries for the current year follows:

	Male	Female	Male	Female
	Elementary	Elementary	Secondary	Secondary
State Ave.	\$2807	\$2737	\$3391	\$3092
Union No. 4	2750	2225	3233	2633

Beginning teachers with degrees are being placed at \$2400 or more and it is rumored that the asking price this year will be \$2500 or \$2600.

The new State Aid distribution of funds made a good start towards reducing the spread in tax rates for education. It would have done more had the formula been covered with the necessary funds. How much it did to improve education would be a highly debatable point since in this area the money was used to reduce the tax levy. As long as great uncertainty

continues to exist on formulas, amounts, etc., it will be used in this respect. It would be naive to urge a couple of school districts to expand either its program or its plant promising that "state aid" would help pay the bill. This is being pointed out here merely to forestall critics who may ask to see the "improvements" made by these funds; in this area they reduced the tax rate. The tax rates would have been reduced still more had the \$2,000,000 been voted. Expressing it another way would be to say that failure to vote \$2,000,000 increased the tax assessment and those who howl against sales or other new taxes are blind to the fact that the legislature did not save the tax payer money by refusing to vote the \$2,000,000; it merely passed the educational tax bill back to the local property owner who directly paid more than he otherwise would. The next table shows the nine towns in this area and how they compare with one another and with the state average.

District	1950 Valuation	Adjusted Valuation Per Pupil 1950-51	Resident Pupils 1950-51		Cost of Foundation Program	17 Mill Local Share	Aid Prorated at 54%	1951-52 School Tax Rate on Adj. Valuation
			Elem.	Sec.				
Alexandria	785,385	11,124	54.1	16.5	\$13,180.00	13,351.55	18.26	
Bridgewater	1,146,245	24,013	25.7	8.0	6,297.50	19,486.17	8.15	
Bristol	3,835,379	14,808	186.7	72.4	48,962.50	65,201.44	22.05	
Canaan	2,082,898	7,746	221.9	47.0	49,407.50	35,409.27	21.93	
Danbury	676,141	6,421	78.0	27.3	19,792.50	11,494.40	21.62	
Grafton	792,402	9,389	66.4	18.0	15,670.00	13,470.83	20.88	
Groton	514,460	32,154	12.0	4.0	3,000.00	8,745.82	11.05	
Hebron	795,752	55,261	10.4	4.0	2,720.00	13,527.78	7.18	
Orange	202,853	10,906	15.7	2.9	3,400.00	3,448.50	20.86	

Several things should be noted in the above chart. 1) Adjusted valuations vary from \$6,421 per pupil in Danbury to \$55,261 in Hebron; 2) Bristol has the highest school tax rate with \$22.05 and Hebron the lowest with \$7.18 with Bridgewater not far behind with \$8.15. The state median of \$19.99 should be noted here. 3) Alexandria and Orange just miss qualifying for aid; they would qualify with a few more pupils provided the percentage of increase were greater than the average for the state. 4) The spread between the **cost of the foundation program** and the **17 mill share** shows that Bristol would need many more resident pupils to qualify, that Groton, Hebron and Bridgewater will probably never qualify on this basis. These towns will receive aid from the state only when so-called general aid becomes available, i. e. a blanket amount per pupil without using millage or anything else.

Hebron now has one of the best, if not the very best, rural schools in the state and the hard work of all who have participated in this project directly or indirectly is there for all to see. All of those directly involved spent many hours of planning and working to secure the best and most practical results. The workmanship throughout was much better than average.

It was necessary to secure a different teacher on the resignation of Mrs. Blodgett. It is extremely difficult to fill such a position because of the salary involved the lack of good living conditions in the immediate vicinity, the relative isolation of such a community from the viewpoint of a young teacher, and the fact that no one need teach a rural school in these days of great demand for elementary teachers. In the three rural school positions filled by me last summer all were taken by married women commuting from towns within daily driving distances. We are fortunate in having secured Mrs. Meredith for the Hebron position.

Respectfully submitted,

C. MAURICE GRAY, Supt.

## HEBRON FIRE DEPARTMENT

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1. With the assistance and advice of the State Fire Marshal an Ordinance was drawn up for the establishment of a Fire Department and was adopted by the Selectmen.

2. Twenty men in the town are members of the Department, divided into two companies; that in East Hebron under Nelson Adams as Captain, using the equipment of Camp Pasquaney, supplemented by the Town, and that in Hebron Village under Harold Hamblett as Captain, using the Tank Truck. More men are wanted.

3. The Tank Truck voted at the last Town Meeting is in the Fire House, though not completed in all respects and needing further equipment.

4. During the year the Village company was not called out to any fire and the East Hebron company only once to stand by a chimney fire. There have been other chimney fires with no call being made. We would recommend that for your protection you call the Department to have it available in case the chimney fire gets away from you. It might be too late then to save your house.

5. Besides completing the Tank Truck and adding necessary equipment, it is hoped during 1952 to arrange for a complete inspection of buildings in the town as to their safety. It is better to prevent a fire by removing fire hazards than to fight an unnecessary fire.

6. It has been called to our attention that no new installation of power fuel oil burning equipment is to be made without permit from the Chief of the Fire Department. Your plumber should know this; but if he does not, you should remind him.

7. Above all, in case of fire call the Department, then do what you can. But do not risk life by staying in or returning to a badly burning building.

HEBRON FIRE DEPARTMENT,  
WALTER P. BROCKWAY,  
Acting Chief



