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# ANNUAL REPORTS

For the year ending  
December 31, 1944

*Sharon, N. H.*





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## TOWN OFFICERS

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Moderator, Kenneth Jewett.

Town Clerk, Dorothy D. Van Sant.

Treasurer, Elizabeth J. Hurd.

Selectmen: S. Monroe Van Sant, Jr., term expires 1947;  
William L. Young, term expires 1945; Chester A. Hurd,  
term expires 1946.

Collector of Taxes, Harold A. Wilson.

Supervisors of Check Lists: Charles N. Wilson, Ellen A.  
Wilson, Edith Wilson.

Forest Fire Warden, Harold A. Wilson, appointed by State  
Forester.

Town Fire Warden, Harold A. Wilson, appointed by Select-  
men.

Highway Agent, Harold A. Wilson.

Library Trustees: Mabel Wilson, Ellen A. Wilson, Wayne  
Lawlor.

Trustees of Trust Funds: Ellen A. Wilson, Edith Wilson,  
Mabel Wilson.

Librarian, Ellen A. Wilson.

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## SCHOOL OFFICERS

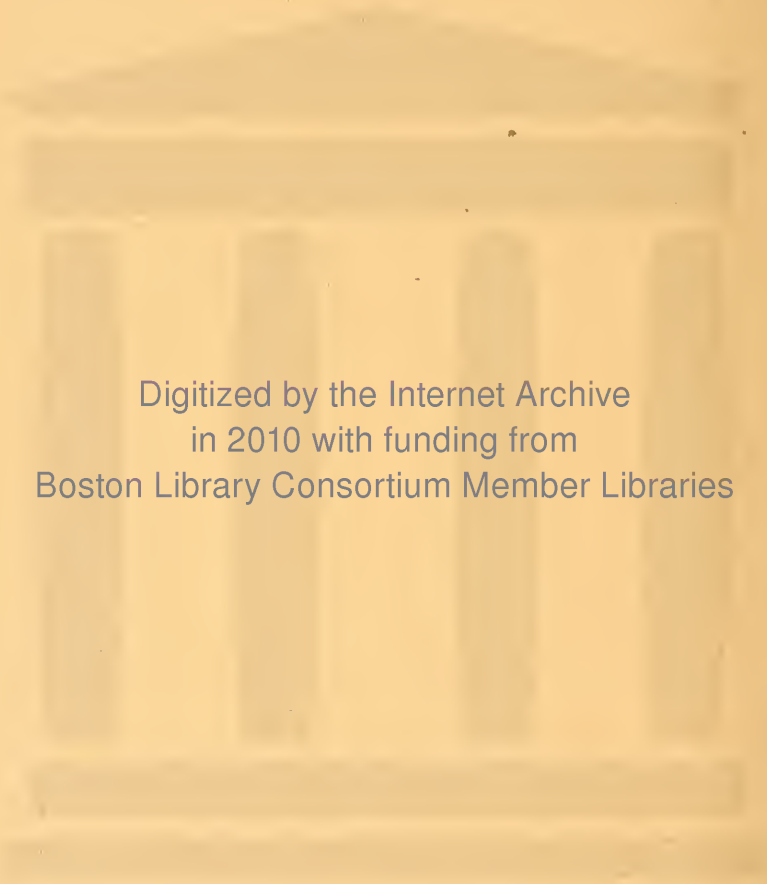
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Moderator, Kenneth E. Jewett.

School Board: Rosilda S. Wilson, term expires 1945;  
Kenneth E. Jewett, term expires 1946; Elizabeth J. Hurd,  
term expires 1947.

Clerk, Rosilda S. Wilson.

Treasurer, Dorothy D. Van Sant.



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**TOWN WARRANT**

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**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

*To the Inhabitants of the Town of Sharon in the County of Hillsborough in said State:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Brick School House in said Sharon on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

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

Art. 2. To see if the Town will vote to establish the amount which shall be paid the Town Officers for their services, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriation for the same.

Art. 4. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, committees or officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relative thereto.

Art. 5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of cemeteries for the ensuing year or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 6. To see if the Town desires to vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for forest and other fires in Sharon.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for fire hose.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of the Municipal Budget Act, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to borrow a sum of money not exceeding two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to petition the state Tax Commission to have an audit made by the Division of Municipal Accounting and to make an appropriation to cover the expense of such audit.



Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell or trade the tractor or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a new tractor or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for road repair and snow plowing equipment, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 14. To see if the Town desires to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the celebration of Old Home Day, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the Town Health Officer and Board of Health.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate to add to Capital Reserve fund for post war construction on Turnpike.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred and sixty-five dollars (\$165) for Town Road Aid. The state will contribute six hundred and ninety-four dollars and twenty-four cents, (\$694.24), or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 18. To see if the Town desires to raise and appropriate a tax of fifty cents on each hundred dollars of assessed valuation of the preceding year, and the Commissioner will allot to the Town a sum sufficient to equal ninety dollars (\$90) for each mile of Class V Highway in the Town, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for tarring Temple Road or any part thereof from Saunder house to Nashua Road, or take action relative thereto.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the purpose of plowing snow and sanding the highways, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 21. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate ten dollars (\$10) for advertising to be paid to the Monadnock Region Association.

Art. 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for White Pine Blister Rust control, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate twenty dollars (\$20) for printing 100 copies of Invoice and Taxes for 1945, or take action relative thereto.

Art. 24. To see if the Town will vote to support United States membership in a general system of international cooperation such as that proposed at the Dumbarton Oaks Conference, having police power to maintain the peace of the world.

Given under our hands and seals this twenty-sixth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-five.

S. M. VAN SANT, JR.,  
WILLIAM L. YOUNG,  
CHESTER A. HURD,  
Selectmen of Sharon.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

S. M. VAN SANT, JR.,  
WILLIAM L. YOUNG,  
CHESTER A. HURD,  
Selectmen of Sharon.

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

### Detail 1. Salaries and Expenses of Town Officers

Appropriation		\$1,278.01
Paid—Salaries :		
Harold A. Wilson, Tax Collector		
For 1943	\$ .24	
For 1944	55.75	
Harold A. Wilson, Fire Ward	25.00	
S. M. Van Sant, Selectman	96.00	
Chester A. Hurd, Selectman	34.00	
William L. Young, Selectman	56.00	
Elizabeth J. Hurd, Treasurer	50.00	
Dorothy D. Van Sant, Town Clerk	50.00	
Kenneth E. Jewett, Moderator	12.00	
Charles N. Wilson, Supervisor	36.00	
Ellen A. Wilson, Supervisor	36.00	
Edith Wilson, Supervisor	2.00	
Ellen A. Wilson, Treasurer, Trustee of Trust Funds	5.00	
Ellen A. Wilson, Librarian	11.00	
		\$468.99
Expenses :		
S. M. Van Sant, Selectman's expenses	\$29.73	
William L. Young, Selectman's ex- penses	18.00	
Elizabeth J. Hurd, Treasurer's expenses	5.00	
Dorothy D. Van Sant, clerical work, auto permits and Town Clerk's expenses	34.02	
Transcript Printing Co.	50.00	
State Tax Commission, Audit	16.50	
Webster Agency, bonds	36.00	
Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies	.41	
Donat Corriveau	.56	
Edson C. Eastman	6.11	
Town Clerk's Association, dues	2.00	
Tax Collector's Association, dues	2.00	
John Bellows, insurance on library books	3.00	
		193.33
Total		\$662.32
Balance		\$615.69

**Detail 2. Forest and Other Fires**

Appropriation	\$100.00
Paid:	
Jaffrey Fire Department	46.50
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Balance	\$53.50

**Detail 2. Fire Equipment**

Appropriation	\$39.29
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Balance	\$39.29

**Detail 3. Bounties**

Paid:

Charles N. Wilson, 22 porcupines	\$11.00	
Harold A. Wilson, 6 porcupines	3.00	
W. Paul Van Sant, 1 porcupine	.50	
Mrs. E. Morse, 1 porcupine	.50	
Pauline Cuddihee, 1 porcupine	.50	
Chester A. Hurd, 4 porcupines	2.00	
William L. Young, 2 porcupines	1.00	
	<hr/>	\$18.50

**Detail 4. Town Maintenance**

Appropriation and balance, Town	\$868.08	
Received from State	739.70	
	<hr/>	\$1,607.78
Paid Harold A. Wilson		1,557.32
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Balance		\$40.46
Error of \$1.00 made in entering December bills of Highway Agent		1.00
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		\$41.46

**Detail 4. Snow Removal and Sanding**

Appropriation	\$675.13
Paid Harold A. Wilson	227.35
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Balance	\$447.78

**Detail 5. Town Road Aid**

Appropriation	\$73.50
Paid State of New Hampshire	\$73.50

**Detail 6. Capital Reserve Fund**

Appropriation	\$147.00
To be administered by Trustees of Trust Funds	\$147.00

**Detail 7. Advertising**

Appropriation	\$9.00
Paid Monadnock Region Association	\$9.00

**Detail 8. Cemeteries**

Appropriation and balance	\$30.70
Balance	\$30.70

**Detail 9. Schools**

Appropriation	\$2,297.00	
Balance 1943	1,396.00	
Dog Tax 1943	20.84	3724.30
	<u>20.50</u>	\$3,713.84

Paid:		
Balance 1943	\$1,396.00	
Dog Tags, 1943	20.84	
Part of 1944 appropriation	1,200.00	
Dog Tax 1944	20.50	
	<u>2,637.34</u>	

Balance due	\$1,076.50
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1077.00

**CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT**

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Division of Municipal Accounting  
State Tax Commission  
Concord, N. H.

This is to certify that we have audited the accounts and records of the Town of Sharon, New Hampshire, for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1944, and found them to be correctly cast and properly vouched.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD G. FOWLER, Director  
Division of Municipal Accounting  
State Tax Commission.

LAWTON B. CHANDLER, Auditor.

HARRY G. HAYES, Accountant.

February 1, 1945.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Of the Town of Sharon in Hillsborough County

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1944

### *Assets*

Cash:	
In hands of treasurer	\$2,035.41
Capital Reserve Funds:	
Post war construction on Turnpike	147.00
Accounts Due to the Town:	
Due from State—	
Bounties	18.50
Uncollected Taxes:	
Levy 1944	52.42
Levy 1943	1.38
	\$2,254.71
Total Assets	\$2,254.71
Grand Total	\$2,254.71
Surplus, January 31, 1944	\$1,162.67
Surplus, December 31, 1944	\$1,004.71
Decrease of Surplus	\$157.96

### *Liabilities*

Accounts Owed by the Town:	
Spécial \$3.00 Poll Taxes:	
Uncollected—due state when collected	\$6.00
Due to School Districts:	
Balance of appropriation	1,097.00
Capital Reserve Funds:	147.00
	\$1,250.00
Total Liabilities	\$1,250.00
Excess of Assets over Liabilities	1,004.71
	\$2,254.71
Grand Total	\$2,254.71

### *Receipts*

Current Revenue:	
From Local Taxes:	
Total taxes committed	
to collector, 1944	\$2,412.39
Less discounts and	
abatements, 1944	11.96
Less uncollected, 1944	52.42



1.	Property taxes, current year, actually collected	\$2,252.01
2.	Poll taxes, current year, regular at \$2, actually collected	36.00
3.	Poll taxes, current year, Special at \$3, actually collected	60.00
5.	Total of Current Year's collections	\$2,348.01
6.	Property and poll taxes, previous years, actually collected	2.20
From State:		
For Highways and Bridges:		
	For Class V highway maintenance	739.70
9.	Interest and dividend tax	2,209.10
11.	Savings bank tax	14.78
13.	Reimbursement a/c State and Federal forest lands	17.61
15.	Bounties	31.50
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:		
18.	Dog licenses	20.50
22.	Interest received on taxes Registration of motor vehicles, 1944-45 permits	.88 50.12
Receipts Other than Current Revenue:		
29.	Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	2,000.00
34.	Gifts	735.70
	Total Receipts From All Sources	\$8,170.10
	Cash on hand February 1, 1944	3,536.53
	Grand Total	\$11,706.63

### *Payments*

#### Current Maintenance Expenses:

##### General Government:

1.	Town officers' salaries	\$382.99
2.	Town officers' expenses	193.33
3.	Election and registration expenses	86.00

##### Protection of Persons and Property:

7.	Fire department, including forest fires	46.50
9.	Bounties	18.50



Highways and Bridges:		
14.	Town Road Aid	73.50
15.	Town Maintenance—	
	Summer	\$1,557.32
	Winter	227.35
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		1,784.67
Unclassified:		
	Monadnock Region	9.00
29.	Damages and legal expenses	3.66
31.	Discounts, abatements and refunds	2.00
Interest:		
32.	Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	36.06
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvements:		
37.	Highways and bridges—Town construction	735.70
Indebtedness:		
44.	Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	\$3,000.00
47.	Payments to capital reserve funds	147.00
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		3,147.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
50.	Special poll taxes at \$3 paid to State	\$58.49
51.	Taxes paid to County	456.48
53.	Payments to School Districts	2,637.34
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		3,152.31
Total Payments for all Purposes		\$9,671.22
Cash on hand December 31, 1944		2,035.41
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Grand Total		\$11,706.63
Tax rate for 1944 \$20.60 per thousand.		

### CERTIFICATE

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.

February 12, 1945.

S. M. VAN SANT, JR.,  
WILLIAM L. YOUNG,  
CHESTER A. HURD,  
Selectmen.  
ELIZABETH J. HURD,  
Treasurer.

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

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Description	Value
Libraries, lands and building, 865 books	\$200.00
Fire Department, lands and buildings, 1 saw, 12 shovels, 12 ditch diggers, 6 pails, 1 pumper, 1000 ft. hose, 6 Indian pumps, 6 axes, 6 lanterns	935.00
Highway Department, lands and buildings, 1 tractor, 2 horse grader, plow for truck, steel drag, small tools	500.00
Schools, lands and building, Brick schoolhouse and lot	1,000.00
Equipment, desk, typewriter, adding machine, cupboard	175.00
Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds:	
James Fitzgerald Estate	25.00
Frank W. Peyser	300.00
Land at District No. 1	25.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,160.00</b>

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash Book balance February 1, 1944	\$3,536.53
Receipts, February 1, 1944 to December 31, 1944	8,170.10
	\$11,706.63
Payments, February 1, 1944 through December 31, 1944	9,671.22
Balance	\$2,035.41
Cash in bank	\$6,161.94
Outstanding checks	4,126.53
	\$2,035.41

ELIZABETH J. HURD,  
Treasurer.

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

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Auto permits—1944-45:	
105801—105818	
Total amount collected	\$50.12

Remittances to Treasurer		50.12
Dog licenses issued:		
5 Males at \$2.00	\$10.00	
2 Females at \$5.00	10.00	
1 Female at \$2.10	2.10	
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Total collected	\$22.10	
Less fees retained, 8 at \$ .20	1.60	
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Remittances to Treasurer		\$20.50

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### TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For Current Year's Levy  
Summary of Warrant  
Levy of 1944

*Dr.*

Taxes committed to Collector:		
Property taxes	\$2,296.39	
Poll taxes—regular at \$2.00	44.00	
Poll taxes—special at \$3.00	72.00	
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Total Warrant		\$2,412.39
Interest Collected		.72
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		\$2,413.11

*Cr.*

Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property taxes	\$2,252.01	
Interest collected	.72	
Poll taxes—regular at \$2.00	36.00	
Poll taxes—special at \$3.00	60.00	
Abatements	11.96	
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		\$2,360.69
Uncollected Taxes:		
Property taxes	\$42.42	
Poll taxes—regular at \$2.00	4.00	
Poll taxes—special at \$3.00	6.00	
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		52.42
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		\$2,413.11

For Previous Year's Levy  
SUMMARY OF WARRANT  
Levy of 1943  
*Dr.*

Uncollected taxes as of February 1, 1944	\$9.48
Interest collected during fiscal year ended December 31, 1944	.16

Total Debits

\$9.64

*Cr.*

Total remittances to treasurer during fiscal year ended December 31, 1944	\$2.26
Abatements made during year	6.00
Uncollected taxes as per collector's list	1.38

Total Credits

\$9.64

Levy for 1942

Uncollected taxes as of February 1, 1944	\$2.00
Abatement made during year	\$2.00

HIGHWAY AGENT'S REPORT

1944

TOWN MAINTENANCE

Harold A. Wilson	\$340.90
Harold A. Wilson, truck	345.40
Howard Burt	93.00
Waite Wilson	183.60
Angus McLean	10.20
Alec Woolet	10.20
Otto Maki	170.18
George Lepisto, truck	21.60
Alfred Todd, truck	27.00
Harold Saunder, truck	27.00
Ralph Paine, truck	21.00
E. A. Wilson, gravel	47.00
State of N. H., grader	12.00
Guy C. Robinson	9.50
Derby Stores, Inc.	1.01
John Downing	2.00
Goodnow Bros.	1.40
Gas	4.50
Hume Pipe of N. E., Inc.	228.33
Oil	.50
	\$1,556.32

## SNOW REMOVAL AND SANDING

Harold A. Wilson	\$41.80
Harold A. Wilson, truck	62.10
Waite Wilson	15.00
Howard Burt	7.80
E. W. Systrom Co.	2.50
Ashley Young, truck	4.40
H. L. Whitcomb	15.95
Annett Box Co.	26.05
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange	30.00
Jason Sawyer	6.75
Howard Whitcomb	15.00

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227.35

**Report of the Trustees of Trust Funds**  
**As of December 31, 1944**

Date of Creation	Name of Cemetery Fund	How Invested	Amount of Prin.	Rate of interest	Balance of Income on hand 2-1-44	Income during year	Expended during year	Balance of Income on hand 1-1-45
3-21-06	John B. Shedd .....	Monadnock Sav. Bank			\$7.73	\$1.96	\$1.80	\$7.89
		East Jaifrey	\$150.00	2¼%				
7- 1-12	Bacon Cemetery Fund...	Peterborough Sav. Bank	200.00	2¼%	12.69	2.65	4.20	11.14
3-28-28	Wirling Gregg .....	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100.00	2¼%	6.83	1.33	1.20	6.96
10-26-38	David and Hannah (Carleton) Wilson .....	Peterborough Sav. Bank	50.00	2¼%	2.69	.65	1.20	2.14
3-22-39	George and Mary Royse Wilson .....	Peterborough Sav. Bank	50.00	2¼%	2.12	.65	1.20	1.57
7-23-42	Royse Cemetery Fund...	Peterborough Sav. Bank	100.00	2¼%	2.58	1.28	1.20	2.66
12- 8-44	Capital Reserve Fund, Post War Construction	Peterborough Sav. Bank	147.00	2¼%				
		Total	\$797.00		\$34.64	\$8.52	\$10.80	\$32.36

The Trustees desire to report that interest on these accounts after July 1, 1944 is not shown herein.

Respectfully submitted,

EDITH WILSON,  
ELLEN A. WILSON,  
MABEL H. WILSON,  
*Trustees of Trust Funds.*

## SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Report of the School Treasurer

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Cash on hand June 30, 1943 (treasurer's bank balance)		\$105.33
Received from the Selectmen appropriations for current year	\$1,396.00	
Dog tax	20.84	
	\$1,074.87	
Received from State Treasurer		2,491.71
Received from all other sources		2,491.71
		2,491.71
Total amount available for fiscal year (balance and receipts)		\$2,597.04
Less School Board orders paid		1,594.92
		1,002.12
Balance on hand as of June 30, 1944, Treasurer's bank balance		\$1,002.12

DOROTHY D. VAN SANT,  
District Treasurer.

### Report of School District

#### Receipts

State and Federal Aid		\$1,074.87
Income from local taxation	1,396.00	
	1,396.00	
Income from sources other than taxation		\$2,470.87
Dog licenses		20.84
		2,491.71
Grand Total		\$2,491.71

#### Payments

Administration:		
Salaries of district officers		\$59.00
Superintendent's excess salary		29.80
Expense of administration		33.62



Auxiliary Agencies and Special  
Activities:

Transportation of pupils	1,228.50
High school tuition	100.00
Elementary school tuition	108.00

Fixed Charges:

Tax for state supervision	36.00
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Total Payments for All Purposes	\$1,594.92
Total cash on hand June 30, 1944	1,002.12

Grand Total	\$2,597.04
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ROSILDA S. WILSON,  
ELIZABETH J. HURD,  
School Board.

LEWIS S. RECORD,  
Superintendent.

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GIFTS TO TOWN

Sharon wishes to express its appreciation for the following gifts:

Honor Roll, J. Arthur La Roche and family.

\$247.00 for repair work on Mountain Road, Malcolm Seymour.

\$735.70 for tar for Temple Road, William L. and Ruth Crary Young.



## ANOTHER ENEMY TO CONQUER

Here is a home front fight that everyone can get into. Last year in this state 558 brush and forest fires burned over 4,648 acres of land, of which 2,788 acres were valuable timber and young growth. With available manpower the lowest of any year since the war started, you can help to keep this loss down by preventing these fires from starting. Keep in mind these simple rules:

1. Always get a permit from your forest fire warden before starting any fires in the open. Burning under certain conditions is permitted.
2. Never burn unless you have enough help to control your fire—a permit does not excuse you of negligence in case it gets away.
3. Always report any uncontrolled fire promptly to your forest fire warden. Minutes lost are acres lost.
4. Be especially careful with cigarettes, matches and pipes. Smokers caused most of our fires.
5. Never leave a fire unless it is dead out. You can't feel safe while there is a spark left.

## KEEP NEW HAMPSHIRE GREEN

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### VITAL STATISTICS

Registered in the Town of Sharon for the Year Ending  
December 31, 1944

#### Births

Jennie Emma Guptill to Charles Walter and Lillian Allan Guptill, May 2, 1944.

#### Deaths

Fannie Martha Ryan Hurd, August 10, 1944.  
Buried in North Cemetery.

#### Brought to Sharon for Burial

Esther Wilson, at New Ipswich, N. H.  
Baby Smith, East Jaffrey.







