

**Annual Report**  
of the  
**TOWN of GRANTHAM**  
**NEW HAMPSHIRE**



**For the Year Ending**  
**December 31, 1953**

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## TOWN OFFICERS

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### Moderator

Glenn H. Hudson

### Town Clerk

Joshua H. Dunbar

### Selectmen

Wilfred M. Hastings

Edward W. Hutchins

Everett R. Reney

### Town Treasurer

Doris C. Reney

### Tax Collector

Elwin J. Kimball

### Overseer of the Poor

Merton Z. Pillsbury

### Road Agent

Allen W. Walker—Claude L. Moulton

### Trustees of Library

Dorothy H. Pillsbury

Amah R. Howard

Olive S. Howard

### Librarian

Bernice M. Howe

### Trustees of Trust Funds

Henry A. Howard

Wilfred M. Hastings

### Supervisors of the Check List

Percy E. Bond

Leslie F. Small

**Auditors**

Bernice M. Howe

Alberta A. Hastings

**Health Officer**

Percy E. Bond

**Police Officer**

Thomas Brown

**Fire Warden**

Merton Z. Pillsbury

**Deputy Fire Wardens**

Edward W. Hutchins

Alfred Cote

Allen W. Walker

## TOWN WARRANT

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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

L. S.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Grantham, in the County of Sullivan, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Grantham on Tuesday, the 9th day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

Art. 1. To choose by ballot and major vote one Town Clerk, one Town Treasurer, one Police Officer, one Overseer of the Poor, and two Auditors for the ensuing year; one Selectman, one Trustee of Trust Funds, and one Trustee of the Public Library for the ensuing three years.

Art. 2. To choose one or more Highway Agents and all other necessary town officers, agents and committees, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Art. 3. To raise and appropriate such sum of money as may be necessary to defray town charges.

Art. 4. To see what sum of money the town will raise for the support of the poor and Old Age Assistance.

Art. 5. To see if the town will vote to apply for Town Road Aid, and raise \$..... for same.

Art. 6. To raise and appropriate such sum of money as may be necessary for snow bill.

Art. 7. To raise and appropriate such sum of money as may be necessary to repair highways and bridges.

Art. 8. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for the hiring of a bulldozer to clear out ditches and waterways on the town roads.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not exceeding one one-hundredth of one per cent ( $1/100$  of 1%) of the assessed valuation based on the assessment of 1954 for the purpose of publicizing and promoting the natural advantages and resources of the town, together with other towns in the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of cemeteries.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise \$400.00 for control of White Pine Blister Rust in cooperation with the State Forestry Department.

Art. 12. 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. 13. To see what sum of money, if any, the town will vote to raise towards the purchase of a new truck.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to have an Old Home Day, and take any action thereon.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money, if any, the town wants to raise for the fire department.

Art. 16. To see if the town will allow the Selectmen to sell the present Fire pump and purchase one or two small pumps, if they have a good opportunity.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to sell any property acquired by tax title, if they should deem it advisable.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for maintenance of the town dump.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to adopt a plan for extending to employees of the town the benefits of title II of the Federal Social Security Act (Old

Age and Survivor's Insurance) as authorized by Chapter 234 of the Laws of 1951 and to raise and appropriate a sum to defray the town's share of the cost thereof.

Art. 20. If the foregoing article is adopted, to see if the town will authorize the selectmen to execute on behalf of the town the necessary agreement with the State of New Hampshire to carry into effect the plan, and to see if the town will designate the Town Treasurer as the officer to be responsible for the administration of the plan.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to hire money if necessary.

Art. 22. To hear the reports of the officers, agents and committees heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Art. 23. Shall the provisions of Chapter 171-A of the Revised Laws relative to playing games of beano be adopted in this town?

Art. 24. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 22nd day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

WILFRED M. HASTINGS,  
EDWARD W. HUTCHINS,  
EVERETT R. RENEY,  
Selectmen of Grantham.

A true copy of warrant. Attest:

WILFRED M. HASTINGS,  
EDWARD W. HUTCHINS,  
EVERETT R. RENEY,  
Selectmen of Grantham.

## Budget of the Town of

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the En-  
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Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1953	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1953	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1954
From State:			
Interest and dividends tax	\$ 6.53	\$ 35.07	\$ 35.07
Savings bank tax	52.51	48.91	48 91
Reimbursement ac. exemption of growing wood and timber	1,000.00	751.03	750.00
For fighting forest fires	50.00	21,408.06	1,200.00
Reimbursement ac. Old Age Assistance		13.84	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog licenses	160.00	184.50	160.00
Rent of town hall, other buildings and property		5.00	
Interest received on taxes and deposits		126.13	
Income of Departments:			
Highway, including rental of equipment		18.90	
Motor vehicle permit fees	800.00	945.54	800.00
Sale of town property		87.00	
Refund, A. Walker		18.50	
Flood damage		638.40	
Refund Head tax		5.00	
Yield tax		559.69	500.00
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
Poll taxes—Regular at \$2	200.00	276.00	200.00
Total revenues from all sources except property taxes	\$ 2,269.04	\$ 25,121.57	\$ 3,693.98



## Grantham, N. H.

During Year, January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954

and with

of the Previous Year, January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Appropriations Previous Year 1953	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1953	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1954
<b>CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:</b>			
General Government:			
Town officers' salaries	}	\$ 665.10	}
Town officers' expenses		\$ 2,000.00	
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police department		111.40	50.00
Fire department		24,267.46	50.00
Moth extermination-Blister Rust			400.00
Health:			
Town dump	100.00	59.40	100.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town maintenance,			
summer	1,500.00	2,057.63	1,500.00
winter	1,000.00	481.32	1,000.00
Street lighting and town buildings		489.07	500.00
Town road aid	239.65	239.65	239.65
Library		85.00	85.00
Public Welfare:			
Town poor	}	316.16	}
Old Age Assistance		1,000.00	
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day		8.40	
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	100.00	44.35	100.00
Unclassified:			
Damages and legal epenses		5.00	
Taxes bought by town		359.80	200.00
Refunds		201.58	

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PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES	Appropriations	Actual	Estimated
	Previous Year 1953	Expenditures Previous Year 1953	Expenditures Ensuing Year 1954

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Interest:			
On temporary loans		93.75	65.00
Indebtedness:			
Payment on principal of debt,			
Payment to Capital Reserve fund	400.00	400.00	800.00
Payments to other govern- mental divisions:			
County taxes	5,023.05	7,328.85	5,251.05
School taxes	1,226.96	1,226.96	1,226.96
Total expenditures	\$12,589.66	\$39,306.99	\$14,067.66

### To Clarify the Item "Town Charges"

Expenses	Actual 1953	Est. 1954
Town officers' salaries	\$ 665.10	\$ 680.00
Town officers' expenses	647.46	560.00
Police department	111.40	
Fire department	32.80	50.00
Street and building lights	489.07	500.00
Library	85.00	85.00
Memorial Day expenses	8.40	10.00
Legal expenses	5.00	50.00
Taxes bought by town	359.80	200.00
Refunds	1.58	
Interest on loans	93.75	65.00
	\$2,499.36	\$2,200.00
Appropriation for 1953	\$2,000.00	

**INVENTORY**  
**of Valuation for the Tax Year, 1953**

DESCRIPTION	VALUATION
Lands and buildings (exclusive of growing wood and timber)	\$220,539.00
Electric plants	17,365.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks	800.00
Horses, 30	2,185.00
Neat stock, 25	2,825.00
Cows, 81	9,900.00
Sheep and goats, 56	810.00
Fowls, 700	525.00
Stock in trade	12,750.00
Mills and machinery	9,460.00
Total gross valuation before exemptions allowed	\$277,159.00
Less soldiers' exemptions	18,410.00
Net valuation on which tax rate is computed	\$258,749.00

## APPROPRIATIONS and Taxes Assessed, 1953

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Town charges	\$ 2,000.00
Fire department	1,554.50
Town dump	100.00
Town Road Aid	239.65
Town road maintenance	2,500.00
Old Age Assistance and town poor	1,000.00
Cemeteries	100.00
County tax	1,226.96
School tax	5,023.05
Capital Reserve fund	400.00
Total town and school appropriations	<u>\$14,144.16</u>
Less estimated revenues and credits:	
Savings bank tax	52.51
Reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood and timber	1,334.05
Motor vehicle permit fees	868.88
Dog licenses	162.00
Total revenues and credits	<u>2,417.44</u>
	<u>\$11,726.72</u>
Plus overlay	561.23
Net amount to be raised by taxation	<u>\$12,287.95</u>
Less 141 poll taxes @ \$2	282.00
Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is to be figured	<u>\$12,005.95</u>
Tax rate per \$100 valuation:	\$4.64

# **Financial Report**

**for the**

**Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1953**

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## **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.

January 15, 1954.

WILFRED M. HASTINGS,  
EDWARD W. HUTCHINS,  
EVERETT R. RENEY,  
Selectmen.

DORIS C. RENEY, Treasurer.

<b>Town of Grantham</b>	<b>Balance</b>
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**ASSETS**

<b>Cash</b>	
In hands of treasurer	\$ 3,705.02
<b>Capital Reserve Fund</b>	
Truck	800.00
<b>Accounts Due to the Town</b>	
Due from State:	
Bounties	143.50
Forest fire	1,277.10
	1,420.60
<b>Unredeemed Taxes</b>	
Levy of 1952	358.80
Levy of 1951	450.28
Previous years	170.81
	979.89
<b>Uncollected Taxes</b>	
Levy of 1953	3,157.39
State Head taxes—Levy 1953	220.00
	3,377.39
Total assets	\$10,282.90
This grand total	\$10,282.90
Surplus, December 31, 1952	\$ 3,182.87
Surplus, December 31, 1953	\$ 3,986.85
Increase of surplus	\$ 803.98

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December 31, 1953

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**LIABILITIES**
**Accounts Owed by the Town**

Due to State:

State Head taxes—1953

Uncollected, \$220; collected, not remitted to State Treas., \$25	\$ 245.00
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Due to School District:

Balance of appropriation; 1953-1954	5,023.05
1952-1953	228.00

**Capital Reserve Fund**

For new truck	800.00
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Total liabilities	\$ 6,296.05
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Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus)	3,986.85
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Should equal this grand total	\$10,282.90
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Grantham, N. H.,

Receipts and

**RECEIPTS****Current Revenue**

From local taxes: (collected and remitted to treasurer)	
Property taxes, current year, 1953	\$9,041.10
Poll taxes, current year, regular @ \$2, 1953	180.00
Yield taxes, 1953	500.21
State Head taxes @ \$5, 1953	610.00
Total current year's taxes collected and remitted	10,331.31
Property taxes and Yield taxes, previous years	3,370.42
Poll taxes, previous years, regular @ \$2	96.00
State Head taxes @ \$5, previous years	190.00
Interest received on taxes	126.13
Penalties on State Head taxes	23.00
From State:	
For highways and bridges:	
For town road aid—flood damage	638.40
Interest and dividend tax	35.07
Savings bank tax	48.91
Reimbursement a/c exemption of growing wood and timber	751.03
Fighting forest fires	21,408.06
Bounties	30.50
Reimbursement a/c old age assistance	13.84
Total of above current revenue receipts	<u>\$37,062.67</u>

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## Payments for the Year Ended December 31, 1953

### PAYMENTS

#### Current Maintenance Expenses

General Government:	
Town officers' salaries	\$ 665.10
Town officers' expenses	647.46
Protection of Persons and Property:	
Police department	111.40
Fire department, including forest fires	24,267.46
Bounties	143.50
Health:	
Town dump	59.40
Highways and Bridges:	
Town road aid	239.65
Town maintenance, summer	2,057.63
winter	<u>481.32</u>
	2,538.95
Street lighting	489.07
Libraries:	
Library	85.00
Public Welfare:	
Old age assistance	218.65
Town poor	316.16
Patriotic Purposes:	
Memorial Day, flags	8.40
Public Service Enterprises:	
Cemeteries	44.35
Unclassified:	
Damages and legal expenses	5.00
Taxes bought by town	359.80
Refund	201.58
Total current maintenance expenses	<u>\$30,400.93</u>

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Grantham, N. H.,

Receipts and

**RECEIPTS**

(Brought forward from page 14)	\$37,062.67
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:	
Dog licenses	184.50
Rent of town property	18.90
Registration of motor vehicles, 1952 permits	9.34
Registration of motor vehicles, 1953 permits	936.20
Total current revenue receipts	\$38,211.61

**Receipts Other Than Current Revenue**

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	7,000.00
Refund, Allen Walker, overpayment	18.50
Sale of town property	87.00
Refund on Head tax from State	5.00
Timber tax deposit from E. Nichols	200.00
M. Downey, use of town dump	5.00
Taxes bought by town	359.80
Adjustment	.04
Total receipts other than current revenue	\$ 7,675.34
Total receipts from all sources	\$45,886.95
Cash on hand January 1, 1953	5,690.47
This grand total	\$51,577.42

## Payments for the Year Ended December 31, 1953

### PAYMENTS

(Brought forward from page 15)		\$30,400.93
<b>Interest</b>		
Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes		93.75
<b>Outlay for New Equipment</b>		
Truck fund		400.00
<b>Indebtedness</b>		
Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes		7,000.00
<b>Payments to Other Governmental Divisions</b>		
State Head taxes paid to State treasurer, 1953 taxes	523.88	
Prior years	898.03	
		<u>1,421.91</u>
Taxes paid to County		1,226.96
Payments to School District, 1952 tax		7,328.85
Total payments for all purposes		<u>\$47,872.40</u>
Cash on hand December 31, 1953		<u>3,705.02</u>
Should equal this grand total		\$51,577.42

## Schedule of Town Property

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DESCRIPTION	VALUE
Town hall, lands and buildings	\$ 2,000.00
Furniture and equipment	200.00
Library, land and building	3,000.00
Furniture and equipment	500.00
Fire department, equipment	600.00
Highway department, lands and buildings	300.00
Equipment	400.00
Schools, lands and buildings	2,000.00
Equipment	500.00
Water power	200.00
Hibbard Veno land	400.00
L. A. B. Smith land	400.00
Vett Davis land	300.00
Part of Green estate	700.00
Two lots lease land	700.00
Total	\$12,200.00

**DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS****Current Maintenance Expenses****GENERAL GOVERNMENT****Town Officers' Salaries**

Wilfred M. Hastings, 1st selectman	\$	70.00	
Edward W. Hutchins, 2nd selectman		60.00	
Everett R. Reney, 3rd selectman		50.00	
Doris Reney, treasurer		50.00	
Doris Reney, 1952 auditor		10.00	
Ella Reney, 1952 auditor		10.00	
Elwin Kimball, tax collector		189.60	
Merton Pillsbury, overseer of poor		50.00	
Joshua Dunbar, town clerk, salary, fees		145.50	
Percy Bond, 1952 supervisor		22.50	
Percy Bond, 1952 health officer		7.50	
	\$		665.10

**Town Officers' Expenses**

Wilfred Hastings,—			
Trip to Lebanon, Tax			
Commission meeting	\$	5.00	
2½ days on court case		20.00	
4 trips to Newport on			
court case		6.00	
Day with State Tax Com.		10.00	
Phone: 4 calls to Concord			
2 calls to Claremont			
2 calls to Plainfield		2.80	
4½ days running town lines		44.00	
Stamps, stationery for			
selectmen's room		5.00	92.80
Edward Hutchins, postage, phone,			
running town lines, court case etc.		84.56	
Everett Reney, running town lines,			
tax meetings		50.00	

The Howe Press, town reports, stationery etc.	216.65	
Association of N. H. Tax Collectors	3.00	
John McCrillis, bonds for town officers	31.00	
Joey Dunbar, typing	1.00	
Glenn Hudson, court case, postage, phone	20.94	
Tony Russell, registering deeds etc.	15.92	
Eva Hudson, postage etc.	6.71	
Edson Eastman Co., supplies	9.35	
Mildred Dunbar, janitor	1.50	
Kimballs, Inc., stamp	3.25	
Association of N. H. Assessors	3.00	
Mary Thornton, keeping transient	2.00	
Gauthier & Woodard, bond	8.00	
Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies	22.50	
Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Association	15.00	
First National Bank, service charge	4.65	
Percy Bond, expenses	4.00	
Joshua Dunbar, expenses	2.50	
Doris Reney, stamps	.40	
Victor Tucker, repair of library shed	40.73	
Henry Howard, running town lines	8.00	
		* \$ 647.46
<b>Police Department</b>		
Thomas Brown, salary and expenses		* \$ 111.40
<b>Library</b>		
Bernice Howe, salary	\$ 75.00	
Joshua Dunbar, mowing lawn and shoveling snow	10.00	
		* \$ 85.00
<b>Fire Department</b>		
Merton Pillsbury	* \$ 27.80	
Grantham Mt. fire expenses	24,239.66	
		\$24,267.46

<b>Town Dump</b>	
Maurice Roney	\$ 30.00
Leston Horton	6.00
Wilfred Hastings	23.40
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	\$ 59.40
<b>Town Road Maintenance</b>	
Summer	\$ 2,057.63
Winter	481.32
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	\$ 2,538.95
<b>Street and Building Lights</b>	
Public Service Co.	*\$ 489.07
<b>Public Welfare</b>	
Old Age Assistance	\$ 218.65
<b>Town Poor</b>	
Elbridge Smith, Hanover Hospital	316.16
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	\$ 534.81
<b>Cemeteries</b>	
Richard Howard	\$ 28.00
Elwin Kimball	16.35
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	\$ 44.35
<b>Memorial Day</b>	
J. W. Johnson & Son, flags	*\$ 8.40
Taxes bought by town	*\$ 359.80
Bounties	\$ 143.50
Truck fund	\$ 400.00
Town road aid	\$ 239.65
Interest on temporary loans	*\$ 93.75
Temporary loan	\$ 7,000.00
Payment to School District, balance of 1952-1953 appropriation	\$ 7,328.85
Payment to County	\$ 1,226.96

State Head taxes paid State Treasurer		\$ 1,421.91
Legal expenses, W. Spanos		* \$ 5.00
Timber tax deposit:		
Elwin Kimball, Yield taxes	125.74	
Ellen Nichols, refund, balance deposit	74.26	
		<u>\$ 200.00</u>
Motor vehicle permit refund, W. Manning		* \$ 1.58
* Items paid out of town charges appropriation		

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

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Received 1952 permits		\$ 9.34
1953 permits		938.42
Total		<u>\$ 947.76</u>
Number permits issued, January 1, 1953		
to January 1, 1954, 199		\$ 947.76
Number dog licenses issued, 60		184.50
Total		<u>\$1,132.26</u>
Paid treasurer		1,130.04
In my hands through error, to be turned		
over in 1954		<u>\$ 2.22</u>

JOSHUA H. DUNBAR, Town Clerk.



## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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### Property, Poll and Yield Taxes Levy of 1953

#### Dr.

Taxes committed to Collector:	
Property taxes	\$12,005.94
Poll taxes	276.00
Total warrant	\$12,281.94
Yield taxes	583.02
Added taxes:	
Property taxes	56.14
Poll taxes	8.00
Interest collected	2.33
Total debits	\$12,931.43

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Remittances to Treasurer:	
Property taxes	\$9,041.10
Poll taxes	180.00
Yield taxes	500.21
Interest collected	2.33
Abatements	50.40
Uncollected taxes as per	
Collector's List:	
Property taxes	2,974.58
Poll taxes	100.00
Yield taxes	82.81
Total credits	\$12,931.43

I hereby certify that the above lists are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELWIN J. KIMBALL, Tax Collector.

**Property, Poll and Yield Taxes  
Levy of 1952**

**Dr.**

Uncollected Taxes as of January 1, 1953:		
Property taxes	\$3,668.40	
Poll taxes	96.00	
Yield taxes	59.48	
		\$3,823.88
Interest collected during fiscal		
year ended December 31, 1953	121.07	
Interest collected by town		15.82
Yield interest		2.31
		\$3,963.08
Total debits		

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Remittances to Treasurer during fiscal		
year ended December 31, 1953:		
Property taxes	\$3,310.94	
Bought by town	328.98	
Poll taxes	92.00	
Paid by town	4.00	
Interest collected	139.20	
Yield taxes	59.48	
Abatements made during year		28.48
Uncollected taxes as per		
Collector's List:		
Poll taxes	0	
Property taxes	0	
		\$3,963.08
Total credits		

Unredeemed Taxes, 1952	Int.	Costs	Reg. Fee
\$46.90	\$2.21	\$3.65	\$ .50
62.58	2.93	3.65	.50
30.15	1.10	3.65	.50
67.00	3.14	3.65	.50
60.97	2.84	3.65	.50
23.45	1.12	3.65	.50
1.68	.11	3.65	.50
50.25	2.37	3.65	.50

**Property and Poll Taxes****Levy of 1951****Dr.**

Uncollected Taxes as of January 1, 1953:

Poll taxes	\$10.00	
Interest collected during fiscal year	.42	
Total debits		\$10.42

**Cr.**Remittances to Treasurer during fiscal  
year ended December 31, 1953:

Poll taxes	\$ 4.00	
Interest collected	.42	
Abated polls	6.00	
Uncollected 1951 taxes	0	
Total credits		\$10.42

**Levy of 1950****Dr.**

Uncollected taxes as of January 1, 1953:

Property taxes	\$22.00	
Poll taxes	6.00	
Total debits		\$28.00

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Abatements made during year	\$28.00	
Uncollected taxes as per Collector's List:	0	
Total credits		\$28.00

I hereby certify that the above lists are correct to  
the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELWIN J. KIMBALL, Tax Collector.

**Levy of 1949**

Uncollected taxes as of January 1, 1954:		
Property taxes	\$13.20	
Abated 1953, property taxes	13.20	
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Uncollected 1949 taxes		.00

**Levy of 1948**

Uncollected taxes as of January 1, 1954:		
1 poll	\$2.00	
Abated 1953, 1 poll	2.00	
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Uncollected 1948 taxes		.00

**Levy of 1946**

Uncollected taxes as of January 1, 1954:		
1 poll	\$2.00	
Abated 1953, 1 poll	2.00	
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Uncollected 1946 taxes		.00

Unredeemed Taxes from Tax Sales on account of  
Levies of

1951	1950	1949
\$ 51.83	\$34.96	\$32.76
83.26	54.03	49.06
47.94	<hr/>	<hr/>
57.13	\$88.99	\$81.82
130.59		
64.19		
25.34		
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\$460.28		

I hereby certify that the foregoing lists are correct  
to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELWIN J. KIMBALL, Tax Collector.

**State Head Tax  
Levy of 1953**

**Dr.**

State Head taxes committed to Collector:

Original warrant	\$815.00
Added taxes	15.00

Total commitment	\$830.00
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Penalties collected	4.00
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Total debits	\$834.00
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**Cr.**

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head taxes	\$610.00
Penalties	4.00

	\$614.00
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Uncollected Head taxes as

per Collector's List	220.00
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Total credits	\$834.00
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**Levy of 1952**

**Dr.**

Uncollected taxes as of

January 1, 1953	\$205.00
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Added taxes during 1953	5.00
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Penalties collected during 1953	20.00
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Total debits	\$230.00
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**Cr.**

Remittances to Treasurer during 1953:

Head taxes	\$200.00
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Penalties	20.00
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	\$220.00
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Abatements during 1953	10.00
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Uncollected Head taxes as per Collector's List	.00
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Total credits	\$230.00
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I hereby certify that the above lists are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ELWIN J. KIMBALL, Tax Collector.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### 1953 RECEIPTS

From Town Clerk:	
1952 auto permits	\$ 9.34
1953 auto permits	936.20
1953 dog licenses	184.50
	\$ 1,130.04
From Tax Collector:	
1951 poll tax	4.00
1951 interest	.42
1952 Head taxes	190.00
1952 penalties	19.00
1952 property taxes	3,310.94
1952 poll taxes	92.00
1952 interest	123.38
1952 timber Yield tax	59.48
1953 Head taxes	610.00
1953 penalties	4.00
1953 property taxes	9,041.10
1953 poll taxes	180.00
1953 timber Yield taxes	500.21
1953 interest	2.33
Taxes bought by town	359.80
	14,496.66
From State:	
Bounties	30.50
Refund a/c old age assistance, G. Follansbee	13.84
1951 Interest and Dividend tax	35.07
Refund on Head tax	5.00
Reimbursement flood damage	638.40
Account Park forest fire	21,408.06
Rent for town truck	18.90
Timber Yield tax	751.03
Savings bank tax	48.91
	22,949.71

From Miscellaneous:	
Adjustment as per bank statement	.04
Allen Walker, refund	18.50
Ellen F. Nichols, advance deposit for timber tax	200.00
First National Bank, 2 short term loans	7,000.00
Mildred Downey, use of town dump	5.00
Clyde Currier, 3 payments toward purchase of home	87.00
	<u>7,310.54</u>
Total receipts	\$45,886.95
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1953	\$ 5,690.47
Receipts ending Dec. 31, 1953	<u>45,886.95</u>
Total	\$51,577.42
Payments Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 1953	<u>47,872.40</u>
	\$ 3,705.02

DORIS C. RENEY, Town Treasurer.

## ROAD AGENTS' REPORT

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ALLEN WALKER, Agent

SUMMER LABOR

Allen Walker	\$ 321.00
Leston Horton	289.00
Keith Mayo	56.00
Elwin Kimball	44.00
Oscar Tobiason	43.00
Edward Hutchins	39.50
Wilfred Hastings	10.00
Kenneth Barton	7.00
Jack Pillsbury	3.00
Howard Pillsbury	2.00
Richard Howard	4.00
Russell Thornton	2.00
Willard Walker	18.00
Robert Osgood	16.00
	\$ 854.50

SUPPLIES

Reny's Stone, gas and supplies	\$ 91.20
Dartmouth Motors, Inc.	161.66
Hollis Heath, work with gas shovel	32.40
Stanley Ford Sales, one truck wheel	28.59
Reny Bros., plank and lumber for bridge	125.79
William St. Pierre, gas and oil	9.83
Henry Howard, iron and work	4.50
N. P. Clough, 100 bags cement @ \$1.15	115.00
Joe Crowninshield, 32 yds. gravel @ 10¢	3.20
Blacktop, Inc., 3½ tons @ \$6.50	22.75
Wilfred Hastings, plank	8.33
	\$ 603.25
Supplies	\$ 603.25
Labor	854.50
	\$1,457.75



## WINTER WORK—LABOR

Allen Walker	\$ 137.00
Jack Pillsbury	123.00
John Holmes	4.50
Joshua Dunbar	4.95
Kenneth Barton	3.15
Russell Thornton	13.50
Walter Reney	1.80

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\$ 287.90

## SUPPLIES

Reney's Store, gas and oil	\$ 48.65
Dartmouth Motors, Inc.	18.07
Silsby & Johnson, pipe	9.67
Henry Howard, labor	1.25
R. C. Hazelton Co., hose	8.14
Wilfred Hastings, work with tractor	6.00

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Supplies \$ 91.78

Labor 287.90

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\$ 379.68

Summer \$1,457.75

Winter 379.68

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\$1,837.43

10 bags cement sold 11.50

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\$1,825.93

Refund 18.50

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\$1,844.43

## CLAUDE MOULTON, Agent

## SUMMER ROADS—LABOR

Claude Moulton	\$ 97.00
Kenneth Barton	39.00
Arnold Moulton	28.00
Leston Horton	55.00

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\$ 219.00

## SUPPLIES

Dartmouth Motors	\$ 30.01
Reney's General Store, gas and supplies	32.30
E. J. Kimball, gravel	5.20
Edward Hutchins, gravel	1.20
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	\$ 68.71

## WINTER ROADS—LABOR

Claude Moulton	\$ 24.00
Arnold Moulton	14.00
Joe Rupprecht	27.00
Eugene Moulton	7.00
Stanley Moulton	7.00
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	\$ 79.00

## SUPPLIES

Reney's General Store, gas and oil	\$ 5.64
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**Payments by Selectmen acting  
as temporary Road Agent**

Montgomery Ward, supplies	\$ 57.91
Gauthier & Woodard, insurance on truck	40.80
Claude Moulton, work on road	26.00
Leston Horton	24.00
Eugene Moulton	10.50
Dartmouth Motors, Inc.	13.50
Tom Currier	10.00
Reney Bros., lumber	108.96
State of N. H., use of grader	30.50
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	\$322.17

## Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Grantham on December 31, 1953

### Invested in the Newport Savings Bank; 2½% first half of year, 3% last half

Date of Creation	Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation	Amt. of Principal	Income, All Expended
1907—1911	From sale of lease land, school fund	\$623.00	\$17.24
1900	Hannah Hayward Fund, for cemetery lot	400.00	11.08
1900	William Howe Fund, for cemetery lot	50.00	1.38
1911—1946	L. F. Shaw Fund, for cemetery lot	150.00	4.15
1913	Jonathan Brown Fund, for cemetery lot	150.00	4.15
1913	Hannah Stevens Fund, for cemetery lot	50.00	1.38
1920	Mercy Sanborn George Fund, for cemetery lot	100.00	2.77
1929	Reverdy Smith Fund, Wm. Smith cemetery lot	50.00	1.38
1933	Irene W. Hemphill Fund, for cemetery lot	100.00	2.77
1935	Estella Hitchcock Fund, for cemetery lot	100.00	2.77
1941	Louisa B. Bailey Fund, for Lucy A. Roach and Herbert J. Wiggins lots	75.00	2.07
1944	Alice M. Wilcox Fund, for Harrison Goss lot	100.00	2.77
1946	{ Emma Etta Sanborn Fund, for lots, E. Grantham cemetery		
1952	{ Mary Sanborn Bragg Fund		
1915	Hiram Buswell Fund, for library	400.00	11.08
1948	Edith M. Miller Fund, for cemetery lot	300.00	8.30
1952	Town of Grantham, truck fund	100.00	2.77
1953, Dec. 31	Town of Grantham, truck fund	400.00	400.00

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

December 31, 1953.

HENRY A. HOWARD, WILLFRED HASTINGS, Trustees.

## REPORT ON TRUST FUNDS

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Received interest on all trust funds		\$76.06
Paid:		
Amah Howard, library fund	\$ 8.30	
Bernice Howe, school fund	17.24	
Elwin Kimball, Hayward cemetery fund	11.08	
Henry Howard, all trust funds for Pleasant Dale cemetery	39.44	
		\$76.06

HENRY A. HOWARD,  
Treasurer of Trustees.

## AUDITORS' REPORT

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This is to certify that we have audited the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Town Highway Agents, and other officers and find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

BERNICE M. HOWE,  
ALBERTA A. HASTINGS,  
Auditors.

## DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY

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### Librarian's Report

Town books loaned	294
State books loaned	766
Total circulation for the year	1,060
Number of books purchased	1
Number of books added as gifts	6
Received from fines	\$2.96

BERNICE M. HOWE, Librarian.

### Trustees' Report

Bank balance Jan. 1, 1953	\$75.40
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1953	2.46
Received from trust fund in 1953	8.30
Collected from fines, 1953	2.96
	\$89.12
 Payments:	
Book, "The Signal Net"	\$ 2.75
Bank service charge	.09
Account book	.15
	\$ 2.99
Balance Jan. 1, 1954	\$86.13

AMAH R. HOWARD,  
OLIVE S. HOWARD,  
Trustees.

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**Grantham School District**

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**Officers of the District**

**Moderator**  
Glenn H. Hudson

**Clerk**  
Bernice M. Howe

**Treasurer**  
Bernice M. Howe

**School Board**  
Estabell Holmes  
(Term expires March, 1954)

Eleanor Raynor  
(Term expires March, 1955)

Ramona B. Flewelling  
(Term expires March, 1956)

**Superintendent of Schools**  
Hammond A. Young

**School Nurse**  
Florence De Palma, R. N.

**Auditors**  
Doris C. Reney  
Evelyn Reney

**WARRANT**

## THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Grantham, in the County of Sullivan, in said State, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in Grantham on Tuesday, March 9, 1954 at two o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.

Article 2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

Article 5. To choose Auditors for the ensuing year.

Article 6. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees and other officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 7. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate for school purposes, the sum of money as set forth in the budget, including the salaries of school officials, and payment of statutory requirements and other expenses and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from state aid and other income, the balance to be raised by taxation by the District.

Article 8. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be set aside as a Capital Reserve Fund, as provided by Laws of 1943 Chapter 160 as amended, this sum to be held in reserve for future repairs or school house construction.

Article 9. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this 17th day of February, nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

ELEANOR RAYNOR,  
RAMONA FLEWELLING,  
Grantham School Board.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT****June 30, 1953**RECEIPTS

State Aid	\$ 3,274.82
Town, current appropriation	10,328.85
Town, balance of previous appropriation	915.82
Town, sale of lumber	421.70
Trust fund	15.67
Other receipts	32.00
Balance on hand July 1, 1952	273.71
Total receipts	<u>\$15,262.57</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries of district officers	\$ 80.00
Superintendent's salary (local share)	167.20
Per capita tax	168.00
Expenses of administration	200.03
Teachers' salaries	6,000.00
Textbooks	209.24
Scholars' supplies	225.88
Other expenses of instruction	20.68
Salaries of janitors	350.00
Fuel	200.00
Water, lights and supplies	53.37
Repairs and replacements	305.44
Health	100.00
Transportation	100.00
Tuition	5,132.80
Retirement assessment	381.66
Insurance	56.84
New equipment	68.30
Total expense	<u>\$13,819.44</u>
Cash on hand June 30, 1953	1,443.13
Total	<u>\$15,262.57</u>



## Detailed Statement of Expenditures

### July 1, 1952 to June 30, 1953

<b>Salaries of District Officers</b>			
Everett Reney	\$	3.75	
Pauline Hastings		11.25	
Eleanor Raynor		10.00	
Ramona Flewelling		20.00	
Bernice Howe		30.00	
Mavis Cote, auditor		2.50	
Doris Reney, auditor		2.50	\$ 80.00
Superintendent's salary, local share			* 167.20
<b>Fixed Charges</b>			
Per capita tax			168.00
<b>Expense of Administration</b>			
Lebanon School District, Supervisory			
Union expense		116.66	
Eleanor Raynor, census		6.29	
Ramona Flewelling, census		3.71	
State of N. H., Supt's travel, local share		26.60	
Lebanon School District		11.24	
The Howe Press		2.60	
Ramona Flewelling		.60	
First National Bank, check book			
and service charge		11.98	
Brown & Saltmarsh		17.85	
Bernice Howe		.75	
Eleanor Raynor		1.75	200.03
<b>Expense of Instruction</b>			
Doris Farrington		2,000.00	
Mabel Pillsbury		2,000.00	
Ethel Loomis		1,992.00	
Estabell Holmes		8.00	6,000.00

\*State share, \$2,275; Lebanon, \$3,715.80; Plainfield, \$517.

**Books**

Silver Burdett	20.80	
J. L. Hammett	2.52	
Houghton-Mifflin	40.77	
Mainco Trading Co.	2.92	
Ginn & Co.	11.19	
Laidlaw Bros.	4.46	
Scott, Foresman Co.	126.58	209.24

**Scholars' Supplies**

The Howe Press	2.75	
Laidlaw Bros.	15.78	
Milton Bradley	69.36	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	98.17	
Silver Burdett	4.80	
J. L. Hammett	4.17	
Lebanon School District	30.85	225.88

**Other Expense of Instruction**

J. L. Hammett	7.73	
Wanda Chapman	2.10	
The Howe Press	2.75	
Lebanon School District	8.10	20.68

**Janitors' Salaries**

Ernest Pillsbury	100.00	
Eleanor Raynor	250.00	350.00

**Fuel**

Mrs. George Sturgis		200.00
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**Water, Lights and Janitors' Supplies**

Reney's Store	8.05	
Eleanor Raynor	1.01	
Lebanon School District	4.56	
White River Paper Co.	13.85	
John Holmes	6.00	
Milton Bradley	12.00	
Hanover Hardware	7.90	53.37

<b>Repairs and Replacements</b>		
E. H. Plummer	12.60	
Raymond Daigle	4.25	
Lebanon School District	3.50	
Ernest Pillsbury	48.00	
Ramona Flewelling	2.99	
R. Ruggles	75.00	
Reney's Store	22.12	
Eleanor Raynor	35.00	
Victor Tucker	98.00	
Rowell Bros.	3.98	305.44
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<b>Health</b>		
Lebanon School District, nurse		100.00
<b>Transportation</b>		
Ethel Loomis		100.00
<b>Tuition</b>		
Lebanon School District	3,732.80	
Newport School District	1,400.00	5,132.80
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<b>Retirement Assessment</b>		
Teachers	361.73	
Secretary	8.61	
Superintendent	11.32	381.66
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<b>Insurance</b>		
Gauthier & Woodard	5.00	
Raymond Haven	51.84	56.84
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<b>New Equipment</b>		
St. Johnsbury Trucking, North Grantham	31.80	
Merrill Dube	20.00	
John Holmes	3.00	
Lebanon School District	13.50	68.30
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Total expenditures		\$13,819.44

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1953**

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Cash on hand July 1, 1952	\$ 273.71
Receipts:	
Town	10,328.85
Town, (deficit appropriation)	400.00
Town, (balance due 1951-52)	515.82
Town, sale of lumber	421.70
State Aid	3,274.82
Trust fund	15.67
Refund	32.00
Total amount available	\$15,262.57
Less School Board orders and bank charges	13,819.44
Cash on hand June 30, 1953	\$ 1,443.13

BERNICE M. HOWE,  
 District Treasurer.

**AUDITORS' 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 Grantham, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, and find them correct in all respects.

July 11, 1953.

EVELYN A. RENEY,  
 DORIS C. RENEY,  
 Auditors.

## STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION

	1953-1954 Appropriation	1954-1955 Budget
Salaries dist. officers	\$ 80.00	80.00
Superintendent's salary (local share)	190.95	123.84
Per capita tax	180.00	180.00
Expen. administration	194.12	204.12*
Teachers' salaries	6,600.00	6,900.00
Textbooks	138.93	150.00
Scholars' supplies	200.00	200.00
Other exp. of instr.	15.00	15.00
Janitor service	350.00	500.00
Fuel	200.00	200.00
Janitor supplies	31.00	50.00
Minor repairs and expenses	250.00	250.00
Health supervision	100.00	100.00
Trans. of pupils	200.00	200.00
Retirement	425.00	500.00
Insurance, treas. bond		5.00
	\$9,155.00	\$9,657.96
High school tuition	5,360.00	4,775.00
Grand total	\$14,515.00	\$14,432.96

**Estimated Income:**

State Aid	\$7,805.82	
Trust fund	15.00	
Balance	500.00	8,320.82
Local tax		\$ 6,112.14

\*Administration expense:

Supr. Union	\$176.22
Census	10.00
Supplies	17.90
	\$204.12

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

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To the School Board and Citizens of Grantham:

The substantial increase in State Aid (from \$3,274.82 in 1952-53 to \$7,805.82 in 1953-54) plus a balance in the School District made possible a current local tax for schools of \$5,023.05. This is less than one-half for 1953-4 than that which was raised locally for the previous year. It is expected that the exact amount of State Aid for Grantham for 1954-55 will be released by the State Board of Education before the District Meeting of March 9th.

New books have been purchased for reading, arithmetic and language. Up-to-date replacements are needed for spelling, geography, history and penmanship. These will be brought up to date as money is available for their purchase.

Parents and Citizens of Grantham may be asking themselves questions about changes needed in the school program and school buildings in the next years. These are questions that may need consideration soon if the best interests of the pupils and the District are to be served.

The pupils are to be commended for their good attendance and fine citizenship. Grantham pupils learn in their homes and local school the value of American Citizenship. Pupils, parents and teachers are to be commended for developing right attitudes.

The last legislature established the position of Helping Teacher for several Supervisory Unions, and this Union has been notified that the State will pay \$2,500 toward the salary of such a person. A Helping Teacher will work with the teachers and the pupils referred to her by teachers, will give specialized tests and will

occasionally make home visits. She will work for the general advancement of sound education for boys and girls by cooperating with and helping pupils, parents, teachers, School Boards and Administrators.

My sincere thanks are extended to the School Board, the teachers, the Nurse and the people of Grantham for their cooperation and help during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HAMMOND YOUNG,  
Superintendent.

## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

1952-1953

Total number of inspections made	127
Total number weighed	45
Total number measured	45
Total number vision tests	71

### Defects found:

Vision	4 - treated 2
Teeth	15
Tonsils	8

Communicable diseases: 6 whooping cough

FLORENCE DEPALMA, R. N.  
School Nurse.

## ENROLLMENT

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**September, 1953**

No. pupils in grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Grantham Primary									
Doris Farrington	7	4	4	3					18
Grantham Grammar									
Mabel Pillsbury					10	4	4	2	20
North Grantham									
Ethel Loomis	4	5	1	2	0	6	2	3	23
Totals	11	9	5	5	10	10	6	5	61

### GRANTHAM TUITION PUPILS

1953-1954

#### NEWPORT HIGH SCHOOL

Marie Sherman	Gr. 12	Keith Mayo	Gr. 11
Linda Cote	12	Carrol Hamilton	10
Virginia Hamilton	11	Beverly Reney	9
Pauline Osgood	9		

#### LEBANON HIGH SCHOOL

Ann Moulton	12	David Flewelling	11
Lee Swensen	12	Ruth Pillsbury	11
Joan Carver	12	Louise Osgood	10
Anita Barton	11	Robert Osgood	10
Linda Moulton	9	Priscilla Smith	9

#### GRADUATES EIGHTH GRADE, 1953

Fern Helen King	Beverly Ann Reney
Linda Lee Moulton	Priscilla Ann Smith
Arnold Martin Moulton	Sara Ann Wood
Pauline Esther Osgood	



# BIRTHS

*Registered in the Town of Grantham for the Year ending December 31, 1953*

Date of birth	Place of Birth	Name of child	Sex	Living or Stillborn	No. of child	Color	Name of father	Maiden name of mother	Color	Residence of parents	Occupation of father	Birthplace of father	Birthplace of mother
Jan. 24	Newport	Linda Mae	F	Living	1	White	Paul H. Shepard	Constance Evans	White	Grantham	Lumberman	Thompson, Vt.	Hanover
Apr. 9	New London	Betty Jane	F	Living	7	White	Clifton S. Wallace	Marie L. Partridge	White	Grantham	Stage Driver	Grantham	Croydon
May 13	Newport	Sharon Louise	F	Living	4	White	Vernon R. Spooner	Wilma L. Hastings	White	Grantham	Chopper	Grantham	Grantham
July 29	Lebanon	Mark Edward	M	Living	4	White	Clyde C. Currier	Helen K. Snow	White	Grantham	Marker	Grantham	Frankfort, Me.
Oct. 13	Newport	David Allen	M	Living	3	White	Eugene G. Eaklor	Dannita F. Leopold	White	Grantham	Machinist	Rock Hill, Mo.	Somerville, Mass
Dec. 12	Newport	Malcolm Dean	M	Living	3	White	Wilfrid M. Hastings	Fauline L. Werling	White	Grantham	Sawmill	Grantham	Fort Wayne, Ind.

# MARRIAGES

Registered in the Town of Grantham for the Year ending December 31, 1953

Date of marriage	Place of marriage	Name and surname of groom and bride	Residence of each at time of marriage	Age	Color	Occupation of groom and bride	Place of birth of each	Names of parents	Birthplace of parents	Condition	Name of person by whom married
Jan. 24	Lebanon.....	Delore J. Provencal, Jr.	Canaan .....	21		Laborer .....	N. H. ....	Delore J. Provencal Sylvia M. Canfield	N. H. .... N. H. ....	S	S. L. Gordon Unitarian Minister
		Iva N. Pillsbury.....	Grantham .....	18		Office .....	N. H. ....	Ernest H. Pillsbury Florence A. Moulton	N. H. .... Vt. ....	S	S
Jan. 31	Newport .....	Stanley H. Currier.....	Grantham .....	25		Laborer .....	N. H. ....	Fred L. Currier	N. H. ....	S	S. W. F. Brown
		Aretta G. Willis.....	Grantham .....	20		Shoeshop.....	N. H. ....	Josephine Spaulding Thomas R. Willis, Sr.	N. H. .... N. H. ....	S	Clergyman .....
Jan. 31	Newport .....	Thomas R. Willis, Jr. . .	Grantham . . .	18		Shoemaker.....	N. H. ....	Madeline Shepherd Thomas R. Willis, Sr.	N. H. .... N. H. ....	S	Clergyman .....
		Lorraine J. Currier .....	Newport .....	16		At home .....	N. H. ....	Madeline Shepherd Fred L. Currier	Vt. .... N. H. ....	S	S. W. F. Brown
Mar. 2	Grantham .....	Clifton S. Wallace .....	Grantham .....	74	White	Stage Driver .....	N. H. ....	Josephine Spaulding William Wallace	N. H. .... N. H. ....	D	S. W. F. Brown Clergyman .....
		Marie L. Partridge .....	Grantham .....	33		At home .....	N. H. ....	Diana Marsh Joe C. Partridge	Vt. .... N. H. ....	S	Justice of the Peace
May 2	Newport .....	Kauko L. Hautaniemi . .	Grantham .....	34		Farmer .....	Ohio .....	Elizabeth Gould Sam Hautaniemi	N. H. .... Finland .....	S	S. R. J. MacLeod Minister .....
		Ella D. Carl.....	New York, N. Y. . .	28		Cashier .....	N. Y. ....	Katri Koski David Carl	Finland .. N. Y. ....	S	Minister .....
May 16	Grantham . . .	Rodney N. Willis.....	Grantham .....	19		U. S. Army .....	Mass. ....	Aino Karhonen Milton C. Willis	Finland .. Mass. ....	S	S. M. Porter .....
		Marilyn J. Sanders .....	Grantham .....	17		Waitress.....	N. H. ....	Harold W. Sanders Dorothy I. Baldwin	Mass. .... N. H. .... Me. ....	S	Methodist Clergyman Newport .....

# MARRIAGES

Registered in the Town of Grantham for the Year ending December 31, 1953

Date of marriage	Place of marriage	Name and Surname of groom and bride	Residence of each at time of marriage	Age	Color	Occupation of groom and bride	Place of birth of each	Names of parents	Birthplace of parents	Condition	Name of person by whom married
May 30	Newport	John A. Thornton	Grantham	18	White	Retail Salesman	N. H.	Herbert H. Thornton Mary M. Sullivan	N. H. Vt.	S	M. Porter Methodist Clergym'n
		Blanche E. Oldham	Newport	18	White	Shoemaker	N. H.	Howard E. Oldham Marion Curtis	N. H. N. H.	S	Methodist Clergym'n Newport
July 7	White R'v Jct.	Robert L. Moulton	Grantham	20	White	Laborer	N. H.	Claude Moulton Jennie Smith	Vt. N. H.	S	Milton M. Lavery Methodist Clergym'n
		Shirley A. Henry	Lebanon	16	White	Home	N. H.	Fred Henry Glady Penn	Vt. Vt.	S	White River Jct., Vt
Sept. 6	Quechee, Vt.	Ivan F. Simonds	Springfield, Vt.	23	White	Machinist	Vt.	Ivan W. Simonds Glady Hunting	Vt. Vt.	S	Joseph L. Sullivan Universalist
		Beverly A. Sanders	Grantham	16	White	At home	N. H.	Harold Sanders Dorothy Baldwin	N. H. Me.	S	Quechee, Vt.
Oct. 24	Newport	Roger P. Descoteau	Plainfield	24	White	Coremaker	N. H.	Edward Descoteau Posanna Bounty	Vt. Canada	S	Robert J. MacLeod Minister
		Janet K. Spooner	Grantham	20	White	Secretary	N. H.	Leon L. Spooner Ivan L. Spooner	N. H. Vt.	S	Newport
Oct. 28	Newport	William S. Manning	Grantham	65	White	Laborer	Vt.	William F. Manning Gertrude Boutwell	Vt. Vt.	W	John A. McCarthy
		Jeannette B. Mercier	Grantham	64	White	Housewife	N. H.	Francis B. Pillsbury Naomi F. Sargent	N. H. N. H.	W	Newport

## DEATHS

*Registered in the Town of Grantham for the Year ending December 31, 1953*

Date of death	Place of death	Name and surname of deceased	Age			Place of birth	Sex and condition			Occupation	Place of birth		Name of father	Maiden name of mother
			Years	Months	Days		Sex	Color	Single		Married or widowed	Father		
Jan. 21	New London	Lucy B. Barton	80			Bristol	F	White	w	Housewife		William Benton	Juliet Knight	
Feb. 28	Unity	Emma Jeletsa Barton	84			Springfield	F	White	w	Housewife		Francis B. Pillsbury	Naomi Sargent	
May 17	Unity	Carl Leavitt	79			Grantham	M	White	M	Laborer		Joshua Leavitt	Abigail	
Sept. 5	Enfield	Jerome J. Gault	82			Grantham	M	White	w	Retired		John S. Gault	Mathilda Beers	

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
 JOSHUA H. DUNBAR, Town Clerk.



