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TOWN OFFICERS

	Term expires
Moderator	
RALPH M. HUTCHINS,	1944
Town Clerk	
EDWARD B. FULLER,	1943
Treasurer	
CLAUDE D. JOHNSON,	1943
Selectmen	
BERT STINSON,	1943
HAROLD W. RAMSAY,	1944
BERNARD C. NUGENT,	1945
Tax Collector	
HAZEN KENNEDY,	1943
Health Officer	
MYLES STANDISH,	1943
Library Trustees	
MARY L. NUGENT,	1943
ETHEL JOHNSON,	1944
LENA RICH,	1945
Supervisors of the Check List	
GEORGE BROCHU,	1942
LESLIE E. BARNETT,	1942
LOYAL P. BROWN,	1942
Town Road Commissioner	
HOWARD McMANN,	1942
Trustee of Trust Funds	
PAULINE HUNT,	1942
DELIA HAPGOOD,	1942
DOROTHY HAPGOOD,	1942
Cemetery Trustees	
FREDERICK HAPGOOD,	1943
LESLIE E. BARNETT,	1944
HUGH JOHNSON,	1945
Public Health Nurse	
DELIA B. HAPGOOD,	1943
Memorial Day Committee	
DON W. HARRIMAN,	1943
EDWARD M. FULLER,	1943
Municipal Court	
WILLARD A. RUCH,	
Auditors	
JULIAN E. WAKEFIELD,	1943
EDWARD M. FULLER,	1943

TOWN WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Stratford, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall, in the village of North Stratford, on Tuesday, the ninth day of March, 1943, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To elect a clerk for the ensuing year.
2. To elect two auditors for the ensuing year, or 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 appropriation to cover the expense of such an audit.
3. To elect a treasurer for the ensuing year.
4. To elect one selectman for three years, and all other town officers.
5. To see if the town will continue the services of the public nurse, and raise money for same.
6. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for highways, bridges, and town maintenance.
7. To see what sum of monies the town will vote to raise for libraries, Memorial Day, skating rinks, sewers, street lighting, retirement of bonds, long term notes, interest, insurance and personal bonds, and other monies for the town.
8. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to pledge the credit of the town to raise funds in anticipation of taxes, when necessary for the payment of obligations.
9. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to administer or dispose of any real estate acquired by the town through tax collector's deeds, or any other property owned by the town.
10. To see if the town will vote to discontinue the Abe Jordan Road, subject to gates and bars.
11. To see if the town will vote to return highway rights of way to former owners where the state highway has been changed.

12. To see if the town will vote to allow discount on any part of the taxes paid before a certain date.

13. To see if the town will vote to raise \$25.00 as a contribution for the White Mountains Region Association, for the purpose of advertising the town.

14. To hear reports of agents, officers and committees heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relative thereto.

Given under our hand and seal at Stratford, this 24th day of February, A. D. 1943.

BERT STINSON,
HAROLD W. RAMSAY,
Selectmen, Town of Stratford.

BUDGET FOR 1943

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the coming year, February 1st, 1943, to January 31st, 1944, compared with actual Revenue and Expenditures of the previous year, February 1st, 1942, to January 31st, 1943.

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Actual 1942	Est. 1943
From State:		
Interest and dividend tax,	\$ 46.21	\$ 25.00
Railroad and savings bank tax,	1,580.52	1,975.00
From local sources except taxes:		
Fines and forfeits, Municipal Court,	28.10	25.00
Rental Town Hall and other buildings,	294.00	400.00
Health,	386.25	300.00
Income from municipally owned utilities,	2,685.95	2,500.00
Motor vehicles permits and fees,	914.12	900.00
From local taxes, other than property taxes:		
Poll taxes,	634.00	400.00
National bank stock taxes,		
Uncollected taxes previous years,		
Issue of notes, in anticipation of taxes,	35,000.00	30,000.00
	\$41,569.15	\$36,525.00

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

	Actual 1942	Est. 1943
General government:		
Town officers' salaries,	\$ 1,416.00	\$ 1,200.00
Town officers' expenses,	219.00	200.00
Municipal Court,	17.78	100.00
Town Hall and other town buildings,	1,062.81	1,200.00
Protection of persons and property:		
Police department,	468.66	1,200.00
Fire department,	310.09	1,000.00
Health:		
Health Dept., including hospitals,	1,940.92	1,900.00
Vital statistics,	34.50	50.00
Sewer maintenance,	241.58	300.00
Highways and bridges:		
Town maintenance,	1,531.74	1,500.00
Street lighting,	1,020.00	1,020.00
General expenses, including insurance,	445.32	1,000.00
Libraries:		
Libraries,	500.00	300.00
Public welfare:		
Town poor,	1,599.56	2,000.00
Old age and aid to soldiers,	624.68	600.00
Patriotic purposes:		
Memorial Day and other celebrations,	65.00	100.00
Recreation:		
Parks and playgrounds,	261.00	300.00
Public service enterprises:		
Municipally owned water utilities,	402.87	500.00
Cemeteries,	40.00	40.00
Interest:		
On bonded indebtedness, long term notes and temporary loans,	4,649.17	4,500.00

Indebtedness:		
Retirement of bonds,	4,000.00	4,000.00
Retirement notes, 1938 issue,	1,000.00	1,000.00
Temporary loans anticipation taxes,	30,000.00	30,000.00
Payments to other governmental divisions:		
School appropriation,	18,200.00	17,000.00
White Mountain Regional Association,		25.00
	<u>\$69,795.18</u>	<u>\$69,735.00</u>

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Appropriated	Expended	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft
Town officers' salaries,	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,416.00		\$ 216.00
Town officers' expenses,	200.00	219.98		19.98
Election and registration,	50.00	41.00	\$ 9.00	
Police Dept.,	1,200.00	468.66	731.34	
Municipal Court,	100.00	17.78	82.22	
Town hall, and other town buildings,	1,200.00	1,062.81	137.19	
Health Dept.,	1,700.00	1,940.92		240.92
Fire Dept.,	1,000.00	310.09	689.91	
Town maintenance and TRA,	1,500.00	1,531.74		31.74
Street lighting,	1,020.00	1,020.00		
General, inc. ins.,	1,000.00	10,208.47		9,208.47
Libraries,	300.00	500.00		200.00
Town poor,	2,000.00	1,599.56	400.44	
Vital statistics,	55.00	34.50	15.50	
Memorial Day,	100.00	65.00	35.00	
Sewer maintenance,	300.00	241.58	58.42	
Old age assistance and aid to soldiers,	500.00	395.98		124.68
Parks and playgrounds,	300.00	228.70		
Water Dept.,	300.00	261.00	39.00	
Cemeteries,	500.00	402.87	97.13	
Interest,	25.00	40.00		15.00
Retirement of bonds and notes,	4,500.00	4,649.17		119.17
County tax,	5,000.00	5,000.00		
School appropriation,	7,749.08	8,059.04		1,309.96
White Mountain Re- gional Association,	17,000.00	18,200.00		1,200.00
	25.00		25.00	
	<u>\$48,524.08</u>	<u>\$57,658.85</u>	<u>\$2,445.15</u>	<u>\$12,555.92</u>

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

INVENTORY OF THE TOWN

Lands and buildings,	\$ 629,378.00
Electric plants,	56,900 00
Horses,	16,850 00
Cows,	30,745 00
Neat stock,	2,215.00
Hogs,	20.00
Fowl,	250.00
Wood, lumber, etc.,	185,236.87
Gasoline pumps and tanks,	2,200.00
Stocks in trade,	43,273.00
Mills,	103,000.00
	\$1,070,067.87

Rate, \$3.60.

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED, 1942

Town officers' salaries,	\$ 1,200.00
Town officers' expenses,	200.00
Municipal Court,	100.00
Expenses Town Hall and other town build- ings,	1,200 00
Police department,	1,200 00
Fire department,	1,000 00
Health department,	1,700.00
Vital statistics,	55.00
Sewer maintenance,	300.00
Town maintenance, highways and bridges,	1,500.00
Street lighting,	1,020.00
General expenses, including insurance,	1,000.00
Libraries,	300.00
Town poor,	2,000.00
Old age assistance and aid to soldiers' families,	500.00
Memorial Day, and other celebrations,	100.00
Parks and playgrounds,	300.00
Municipally owned water utilities,	500.00
Cemeteries,	25.00
Interest on bonded indebtedness and notes,	4,500.00

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Payments on bonds and notes,	5,000.00
County tax,	8,000.00
School appropriation,	17,000.00
White Mountain Regional Association,	25.00

\$48,725.00

Less Estimated Revenues and Credits

Cash,	\$13,413.21
Interest and dividend tax,	25.00
Railroad tax,	2,000.00
Motor vehicle permit fees,	1,100.00
Municipal Court fees,	15.00
Rental Town Hall,	400.00
Health department,	300.00
Municipally owned utilities,	4,000.00
Uncollected taxes,	900.00

\$21,153.21

Plus overlay, 902.28

\$20,250.93

\$28,474.07

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

Cash:			
Town check,	\$	18.86	
In hands of treasurer,		6,075.34	
(Do not include sinking funds)			
In hands of officials:			
Water collector,		195.12	
M. C. T.,		6.25	
Tax collector,		427.08	
H. Hapgood,		176.64	
		\$	6,899.29
Accounts due to the town:			
Uncollected rent, K. of P.,	\$	250.00	
Water rents,		2,933.87	
		\$	3,183.87
Unredeemed taxes:			
Levy of 1941,		\$1,424.92	
Levy of 1940,		1,036.63	
Previous years,		2,104.40	
		\$	4,565.95
Uncollected taxes:			
Levy of 1942,		\$3,018.51	
Levy of 1941,		30.00	
Levy of 1940,		93.02	
Previous years,		41.00	
		\$	3,182.53
Total assets,			\$17,831.64
Excess of liabilities over assets,			68,965.07
net debt,			68,965.07
Grand total,			\$86,796.71
Net debt:			
Surplus, Jan. 31, 1942,		\$74,509.08	
Surplus, Jan. 31, 1943,		68,965.07	
		\$	5,544.01
Decrease of debt, of surplus,			\$5,544.01

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:

Due to school districts — dog licenses,	\$ 154.66	
Balance of appropriation,	7,652.05	
	<u> </u>	\$7,796.71
Outstanding temporary loans in anticipation of taxes,	\$ 5,000.00	
Long term notes outstanding,	21,000.00	
	2,000.00	
Bonds outstanding,	51,000.00	
	<u> </u>	\$79,000.00
Total liabilities,		<u> </u> \$86,796.71

RECEIPTS

From local taxes:	
Property taxes, current year, actually collected,	\$34,658.97
Poll taxes, current year, ac- tually collected,	612.00
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Total of current year's collections,	\$35,270.97
Property and poll taxes, previous years, actually collected,	\$ 2,072.71
Tax sales redeemed,	\$ 935.77
From State:	
Interest and dividend tax,	\$ 46.21
Railroad tax,	1,580.52
Savings bank tax,	305.05
From local sources, except taxes:	
Dog licenses,	112.80
Fines and forfeits, municipal court,	28.10
Rent of town property,	294.00
Interest received on taxes,	100.71
Appropriations to gen. mun. funds from mun. owned utilities,	2,490.83
Registration of motor vehi- cles, 1942-43 permits,	926.32
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	\$5,884.54
Receipts other than current revenue:	
Temporary loans in antici- pation of taxes during year,	\$25,000.00
Refunds, town poor,	205.94
Sale of town histories,	9.00
Filing fees,	1.00
Health,	1,386.25
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	\$26,602.19
Cancelled checks,	\$93.75
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Total receipts from all sources,	\$70,859.93
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1942,	13,413.21
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Grand total,	\$84,273.14

 PAYMENTS

General government :		
Town officers' salaries,	\$1,401.00	
Town officers' expenses,	219.98	
Election and registration exp.,	41.00	
Municipal court expenses,	17.78	
Expenses town hall and other town buildings,	1,062.61	
	<hr/>	\$2,742.37
Protection of persons and property :		
Police dept., inc. care of tramps,	\$468.66	
Fire dept., inc. forest fires,	310.09	
Bounties,	18.20	
	<hr/>	\$796.95
Health :		
Health dept, inc. hospitals,	\$1,940.92	
Vital statistics,	34.25	
Sewer maintenance,	241.58	
	<hr/>	\$2,216.75
Highways and bridges :		
Town maintenance,	\$1,531.74	
Street lighting and sprinkling,	1,020.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,551.74
Libraries,		\$500.00
Public welfare :		
Old age assistance,	\$ 395.98	
Town poor,	1,544.91	
	<hr/>	\$1,940.89
Patriotic purposes :		
Aid to G.A.R. Memorial Day exercises,	\$ 65.00	
Aid to soldiers and their families,	228.70	
	<hr/>	\$293.70
Recreation :		
Parks and playgrounds, inc. band concerts,		\$261.00
Public service enterprises :		
Appropriations to water and electric utilities,	\$402.87	
Cemeteries, inc. hearse hire,	40.00	
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Unclassified,		\$474.57
Interest:		
Paid on bonded debt,		\$4,717.92
Indebtedness:		
Payments on temp. loans in anticipation of taxes,	\$30,000.00	
Payments on long term notes,	1,000.00	
Payments on bonded debt,	4,000.00	
		<u>\$35,000.00</u>
Payments to other governmental div.:		
Taxes paid to county,	\$ 8,059.04	
Payments to school districts,	18,200.00	
		<u>\$26,259.04</u>
Total payments to other gov. div.,		<u>\$78,197.80</u>
Cash on hand Jan. 31, 1943,		6,075.34
		<u>\$84,273.14</u>
Grand total,		

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town hall, lands and buildings,	\$ 12,000.00
Town hall, furniture and equipment,	2,000.00
Libraries, lands and buildings,	2,500.00
Libraries, furniture and equipment,	2,000.00
Police department, lands and buildings,	2,000.00
Police department, equipment, including vault,	1,000.00
Fire department, lands and buildings,	2,500.00
Fire department, equipment,	2,500.00
Highway department, lands and buildings,	500.00
Highway department, equipment,	1,000.00
Highway department, supplies and materials,	100.00
Parks, commons and playgrounds,	2,000.00
Water supply, if owned by town,	115,000.00
Schools, lands and buildings,	84,800.00
School equipment,	11,000.00
Town house and equipment, Center,	2,000.00
Town histories.	
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	\$244,700.00

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Bert Stinson, selectman,	\$ 150.00
Harold W. Ramsay, selectman,	150.00
Bernard C. Nugent, selectman,	150.00
Harvey L. Hinman, clerk,	150.00
Edward B. Fuller, town clerk,	100.00
Willard A. Ruch, salary, 1941, municipal court,	100.00
Willard A. Ruch, salary, 1942, municipal court,	100.00
Hazen Kennedy, balance salary due 1941,	95.00
Hazen Kennedy, salary, 1942,	225.00
Julian Wakefield, auditor,	30.00
Edward M. Fuller, auditor,	30.00
Julian Wakefield, ballot clerk,	6.00
True G. Martin, ballot clerk,	3.00
Harold Hapgood, ballot clerk,	3.00
Florence Baldwin, ballot clerk,	6.00
Blanche Mason, ballot clerk,	6.00
Edith Lowe, ballot clerk,	3.00

George Brochu, supervisor, check list,	3.00
Leslie Barnett, supervisor, check list,	18.00
Loyal P. Brown, supervisor, check list,	18.00
Claude Johnson, salary as treasurer,	75.00
Ralph Hutchins, moderator,	10.00
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	\$1,431.00

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Service League, collecting 1941 dog taxes,	\$ 25.00
Harold W. Ramsay, selectman's expense,	11.78
Edward B. Fuller, issuing auto licenses,	56.75
Coos Co. Democrat, printing poll tax receipts,	2.00
Hazen Kennedy, expenses, tax sales,	31.65
Hazen Kennedy, fees, tax collector,	11.50
H. H. Hinman, P. M., envelopes,	15.98
Carl Phipps, assessor's tax, 3 years,	9.00
Bert Stinson, use of auto,	46.00
Harvey L. Hinman, express to Berlin,	2.32
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	\$211.98

VITAL STATISTICS

Edward B. Fuller, recording,	\$34.50
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HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Howard McMann, work on roads,	\$ 555.05
Bert Stinson, work on roads,	181.85
Raymond Savage, work on roads,	258.34
Harold Ramsay, work on roads,	103.72
State of New Hampshire, work on roads,	275.28
G. F. Houley, work on roads,	15.20
Fred Virtue, work on roads,	3.00
D. McMann, work on roads,	3.50
E. McMann, work on roads,	3.50
E. Blodgett, work on roads,	3.50
H. Stinson, work on roads,	3.50
K. Brown, work on roads,	3.50
Allen and Hall, plank,	45.90
T. Chappel, hauling plank,	3.60
Adams Garage, repairing snowplow,	5.95
Frederick Hapgood, repairing snowplow,	5.10

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Earl McMann, rental water trough, 40-41-42,	15.00
Bert Stinson, use of truck and labor,	41.25
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	\$1,531.74

GENERAL EXPENSE

Edsol Eastman, supplies,	\$ 12.05
New England Tel. & Tel. Co., tolls,	112.95
Mrs. Maud Guptill, refund of V. Ingersoll poll,	2.00
Geo. Stevens & Son Co., premium on bonds,	90.75
E. B. Fuller, refund on overpayment auto license,	17.72
Coos Co. Democrat, printing town reports,	150.00
R. H. White, stapler,	.50
Hazen Kennedy, postage,	3.92
Harold W. Ramsay, wood for observation posts,	20.60
W. D. Thompson, tax sales,	24.31
Claude Johnson, transfer of bank balance,	9,759.15
Stratford Grange, electric lights,	1.52
Amy Blodgett, repairing flag,	5.50
Nation's Business, advertising,	7.50
Harold McMann, advance, repaid,	42.00
Ruby Livingstone, advance, Dr. Schillhammer,	65.00
Ruby Livingstone, advance, Lancaster Hos- pital (payments being made),	42.50
Coos County, transporting Mrs. LaCroix to Concord, repaid,	25.44
Clarence Daniels, W. A. Bray, M. D., repaid,	54.15
June Sackett, X-ray,	15.00
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	\$10,208.47

SEWER DEPARTMENT

Bert Lapoint, labor,	\$ 4.20
Lucien Bergeron, labor,	4.20
John Russell, labor,	4.20
Earl Smith, labor,	3.68
Emily Brockington, rental sewer,	220.00
Frank Smith, labor and supplies,	25.30

 \$241.58
WATER DEPARTMENT

Lucien Bergeron, labor,	\$ 6.65
Dennis Hovey, labor,	4.90
Joe Paradis, labor,	3.15
Warren Trecarten, labor,	5.95
Archie McCaskell, labor,	4.55
Milton Paradis, labor,	1.40
Frank A. Smith, labor and supplies,	156.21
Johnson, Barker Co., supplies,	179.06
Fuller Bros., pipe,	16.00
Town of Brookfield, taxes,	25.00

 \$402.87
INTEREST

Plymouth Savings Bank, interest on notes, 1938 issue,	\$ 68.75
Cheshire County Bank, interest on water bonds,	357.50
Lancaster National Bank, deposit interest and coupon account,	4,000.00
Lincoln R. Young Co., interest on temporary loan,	99.17
Portsmouth Savings Bank, interest on notes, 1938 issue,	123.75

 \$4,649.17
OLD AGE

State of New Hampshire,	\$395.98
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BOUNTIES

Harold W. Ramsay,	\$12.80
Bert Stinson,	5.40

 \$18.20

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Delia Hapgood, public nurse,	\$1,700.00
Ruth Barnett, substitute nurse,	125.00
Ralph Hutchins, use of dump,	10.00
Harold W. Ramsay, supplies,	12.00
Aaron E. Stevens, supplies,	17.25
Don Harriman,	66.67
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	\$1,940.92

STREET LIGHTING

Public Service of New Hampshire,	\$1,020.00
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LIBRARY

Trustees,	\$500.00
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MUNICIPAL COURT

Electric lights,	\$ 9.00
Wood,	4.83
George Brochu, repairs,	3.95
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	\$17.78

TOWN HALL

Fuel,	\$ 712.05
Repairs and supplies,	90.18
Electric lights,	52.80
Insurance,	27.58
George Brochu, janitor and agent,	155.00
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	\$1,062.81

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Don Harriman,	\$ 66.67
Insurance,	132.00
Linwood Severy, officer,	380.00
Roger Hunt, officer,	2.00
Tramps,	\$ 4.99
George Brochu, tramps,	11.70
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	16.69
Frank Smith, supplies and labor,	20.80
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	\$468.66

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Don Harriman,	\$ 66.67
Raymond Savage,	18.30
Equipment,	81.43
George Brochu,	11.70
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	\$310.09

TOWN POOR

Mrs. Morency:	
Dorothy Frye, rent,	\$ 14.25
A. E. Stevens, supplies,	3.00
W. A. Bray, M. D., services,	89.75
H. W. Ramsay, supplies,	175.70
Solomons, supplies,	2.83
St. Louis Hospital, care of Arthur Morency,	83.50
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	\$ 269.03
Fred Melanson:	
W. A. Bray, M. D., services,	7.50
Barbara Christie:	
Jeanne Simonds, care of Bar- bara Christie,	\$94.80
C. A. Adams, burial of Barbara Christie,	21.50
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	116.30
Olive Portigue:	
A. Young, wood,	28.00
Frank Ball:	
O. Dupois, supplies,	4.00
Mary Young:	
Maude Blodgett, care of child,	\$ 8.00
Myrtle Hapgood, care of child,	33.00
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	41.00
Mildred Curtis:	
Coos County Hospital, care,	517.00
Charles Sedgel:	
H. W. Ramsay, supplies,	52.88
Jack Gallant:	
Elizabeth Egan, care of chil- dren,	\$ 73.00
Linna Wood, care of children,	128.00

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H. W. Ramsay, supplies, children,	5.76	
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Frank Stone:		
E. J. Normando, wood,		13.00
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		\$1,599.56
SOLDIERS' AID		
Groveton Oil Co.,		\$ 28.74
Bert Stinson,		15.00
Harold W. Ramsay,		154.96
Bert Silsby,		34.00
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		\$228.70
CEMETERIES		
Arthur Hapgood,		\$12.00
William Fuller,		3.00
Ray Roberts,		25.00
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		\$40.00
MEMORIAL DAY		
Don Harriman,		\$15.00
Mrs. Maude Blodgett,		50.00
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		\$65.00
PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS		
John Drapeau,		\$ 5.00
Tony Dumont,		125.00
Canadian National R. R.,		6.00
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		\$136.00
PAYMENTS, LOANS		
Lincoln R. Young, note,		\$10,000.00
Lincoln R. Young, note,		20,000.00
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		\$30,000.00
BONDS		
Lancaster National Bank,		\$5,000.00
SCHOOL		
Edith Lowe, treasurer,		\$18,200.00
COUNTY TAX		
County tax,		\$8,059.04

State of New Hampshire State Tax Commission

Uniform Municipal Accounts

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF
STRATFORD IN COOS COUNTY

For Fiscal Year Ending January 31, 1943

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

BERT STINSON,
HAROLD W. RAMSAY,
BERNARD C. NUGENT,
Selectmen.

TREASURER'S REPORT

February 1, 1942, to January 1, 1943

RECEIPTS

February Receipts,	\$ 0000.00
EXPENDITURES,	\$11,289.12

RECEIPTS

March, 1942

1. Charlotte Ramsay, set of town histories,	\$ 9.00
14. Edward B. Fuller, 1942 auto tax,	208.78
Edward B. Fuller, 1941 dog tax,	112.80
26. Edward B. Fuller, 1942 auto tax,	320.59
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1941 levy,	739.60
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1941 poll taxes,	298.00
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1940 levy,	145.31
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1940 poll taxes,	10.00
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1940 interest,	5.49
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1938 levy,	202.60

\$2,052.17

EXPENDITURES,

\$3,416.61

RECEIPTS

April, 1942

7. Frank A. Smith, coll., water rents,	\$ 266.64
8. Edward B. Fuller, 1942 auto tax,	137.51
16. Delia B. Hapgood, Nursing Assn.,	126.00
17. Stratford Lodge, No. 30, K. of P., rent,	250.00
Lincoln R. Young & Co., note by selectmen,	20,000.00
21. Frank A. Smith, coll., water rents,	129.75

\$20,909.90

EXPENDITURES,

\$3,026.59

RECEIPTS

May, 1942

15. Frank A. Smith, coll., water rents,	\$264.61
20. Delia B. Hapgood, Nursing Assn., (April),	32.00

25.	E. B. Fuller, 1942 auto tax,	79.68
28.	Clarence Daniels, on account,	15.00
	Ray Livingston, on account,	35.00

 \$426.29

EXPENDITURES,

 \$7,541.80

RECEIPTS

June, 1942

23.	Delia B. Hapgood, Nursing Assn., (May),	\$ 25.50
	Edith M. Lowe, treasurer, school nurse, 1940-41-42,	1,000.00
	Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1941 levy,	858.28
	Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1941 poll tax,	12.00
	Hazen Kennedy, coll., interest,	36.05
	Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1939 levy,	16.49
	Hazen Kennedy, coll., interest,	3.60
30.	Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1938 levy,	251.97

 \$2,203.87

EXPENDITURES,

 \$3,453.50

RECEIPTS

July, 1942

1.	George Brochu, town hall rents,	\$ 26.00
	Ray Livingston, on account,	10.50
	Clarence Daniels, on account,	15.00
15.	Delia B. Hapgood, Nursing Assn. (June),	29.00
	Frank A. Smith, coll., water rents,	195.79
20.	County of Coos, refund of Lacroix, paid by town,	25.44
27.	Frank A. Smith, coll., water rents,	356.98
29.	Ray Livingston, on account,	17.50

 \$676.21

EXPENDITURES,

 \$569.95

RECEIPTS

August, 1942

15.	Edward B. Fuller, 1942 auto tax,	\$ 55.54
25.	Frank A. Smith, water rents,	148.12
	Delia B. Hapgood, Nursing Assn. (July),	27.00

26. Ray Livingston, on account, 14.00

\$244.66

EXPENDITURES,

\$963.36

RECEIPTS

September, 1942

14. Delia B. Hapgood, Nursing Assn.
(August), \$ 54.00
24. W. A. Ruch, clerk, court costs and fines, 28.10
28. Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1942 poll taxes, 56.00
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1941 poll taxes, 8.00
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1941 levy, 144.83
Hazen Kennedy, interest, 9.12
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1940 levy, 18.11
Hazen Kennedy, coll., interest, .80
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1939 levy, 128.92
Hazen Kennedy, coll., interest, 17.75
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1938 levy, 161.67
Hazen Kennedy, coll., interest, 31.50
Lancaster National Bank, by cancella-
tion of check outs Nos. 4952-65, 93.75

\$752.55

EXPENDITURES,

\$3,286.35

RECEIPTS

October, 1942

23. Frank A. Smith, coll., water rents, \$204.90
Ray Livingston, on account, 14.00

\$218.90

EXPENDITURES,

\$5,646.19

RECEIPTS

November, 1942

9. Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1942 poll tax, \$ 268.00
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1942 levy, 3,558.21
25. Edward B. Fuller, 1942 auto tax, 55.40
Edward B. Fuller, filing fees, 1.00
30. Frank A. Smith, coll., water rents, 169.53
Delia B. Hapgood, Nursing Assn. (Sept.
and Oct.), 28.00

\$4,080.14

EXPENDITURES,		\$5,143.70
	RECEIPTS	
December, 1942		
7. Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1942 levy,		\$14,463.45
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1942 poll tax,		84.00
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1941 poll tax,		2.00
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1938 levy,		7.10
12. Harold McMann, on account,		42.00
16. Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1942 levy,		12,231.50
26. Treasurer, State of New Hampshire, railroad tax,		1,580.52
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire, savings bank tax,		305.05
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire, interest and dividend tax,		46.21
Farmers' and Traders' National Bank, note by selectmen,		5,000.00
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		\$33,761.83

EXPENDITURES,		\$31,901.62
	RECEIPTS	
January, 1943		
5. Frank A. Smith, coll., water rents,	\$	290.88
6. Ray Livingston, on account,		17.50
9. Edward B. Fuller, 1942 auto tax,		68.82
28. Frank A. Smith, coll., water rents, George Brochu, town hall rent,		463.63
30. Delia B. Hapgood, Nursing Assn. (Dec. and Jan.),		18.00
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1942 levy,		64.75
Hazen Kennedy, coll., 1942 poll taxes,		4,405.81
		204.00
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		\$5,533.39

EXPENDITURES,		\$1,959.01
Balance, February 1, 1942,	\$13,413.21	
Total receipts,	70,859.93	
	<hr/>	\$84,273.14
Total disbursements,		78,197.80
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Balance, February 1, 1943,		\$6,075.34

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

No. of births,		17
No. of deaths,		11
No. of marriages,		9
No. of auto permits issued,		258
Cash paid treasurer,	\$926.32	
Credit by overpayment in 1941,	17.71	
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Total,		\$944.03
Credit by overpayment in 1942,		\$29.91
Dog licenses:		
May 1, 1941, cert. issued 71,	\$151.46	
May 1, 1942, cert. issued 8,	19.00	
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	\$170.46	
Less fees 79 cert. at 20c,	15.80	
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		\$154.66
November 26, 1941,	\$ 23.00	
March 14, 1942, paid treasurer,	112.80	
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		135.80
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Cash on hand,		\$18.86

Respectfully submitted,
EDWARD B. FULLER,
Town Clerk.

**REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE
For the Year Ending January 31, 1943**

Nursing care visits,	217
Obstetrical,	15
Baby,	90
Welfare,	127
School welfare,	153
School,	192
Clinics,	2
Total,	794

1 Toxoid Clinic—sponsored by the State Board of Health, Division of Maternity, Infancy and Child Hygiene held at Statford Hollow.

1 Vaccination Clinic—sponsored by Stratford School District.

Fees collected,	\$386.25
Paid to treasurer,	\$386.25

DELIA B. HAPGOOD,
Public Health Nurse.

STRATFORD MUNICIPAL COURT**RECEIPTS**

Eighteen cases, fines,	\$185.00
Costs,	86.42
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Total receipts,	\$271.42
Cash on hand, Jan. 31, 1942,	3.65
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	\$275.07

DISBURSEMENTS

To town,	\$ 28.10
To officers and transportation, meals, etc.,	37.02
To motor vehicle department,	92.70
To fish and game department,	111.00
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	\$268.82
Cash on hand, Dec. 31, 1942,	6.25
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	\$275.07

WILLARD RUCH, Clerk,
Stratford Municipal Court.

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

For the Year Ending January 31, 1943

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, February 1, 1942,	\$342.86
Appropriation for 1941,	500.00
Fines from North Stratford library,	19.00
Rent from Stratford Hollow library,	24.00
Income from J. I. Crown trust fund,	30.71
Miscellaneous,	21.15
	\$937.72

EXPENSES AT NORTH STRATFORD

Librarian's salary,	\$142.00
Rent,	140.00
Books and magazines,	113.47
Insurance,	18.75
Miscellaneous,	20.82
	\$435.04

EXPENSES AT STRATFORD HOLLOW

Books and magazines,	\$ 93.63
Insurance,	43.50
Repairs on building,	20.14
	\$157.27
Total expenses,	\$592.31

Cash on hand, Feb. 1, 1943,	\$345.41
J. I. Crown trust fund,	\$500.00

In purchasing books for the libraries at each end of the town we have endeavored to meet the needs of all ages and all tastes.

Now that travel is so restricted we find that the libraries are being called on more and more, and so are becoming necessary in the life of the community.

The seeming discrepancy in the amounts spent at North Stratford and Stratford Hollow comes from the fact that the library at Stratford Hollow is housed in a town-owned building, which eliminates the item for

rent, and at the same time the use of the building as a dwelling pays the librarian's salary.

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL P. JOHNSON,

MARY L. NUGENT,

LENA J. RICH,

Trustees.

STATEMENT ON TOWN CLERK

January 31, 1943

AUTO PERMITS

1941 permits issued 161461-141462,	\$ 4.92	
1942 permits issued 172001-172259,	909.20	
		\$914.12
Jan. 31, 1942, credit by overpayment,	\$ 17.71	
Jan. 31, 1943, cash paid treasurer,	926.32	
		944.03
Overpaid — Credited to 1943 permits,		\$29.91
DOG LICENSES		
May 1, 1941, certificates issued, 71,	\$151.46	
May 1, 1942, certificates issued, 8,	19.00	
	\$170.46	
Less: fees 79 certificates at 20c,	15.80	
		\$154.66
November 26, 1941,	\$ 23.00	
March 14, 1942, paid treasurer,	112.80	
		135.80
Due from collector,		\$18.86

REPORT ON TOWN HALL

January 31, 1943

January 1, 1942, rental due,	\$250.00
January 1, 1943, rental during year,	294.00

	\$544.00
Paid treasurer,	\$294.00
Due from K. of P.,	250.00
	\$544.00

WATER COMPANY REPORT January 31, 1943

Cash on hand, January 31, 1942,	\$ 159.22	
Unpaid balance, January 31, 1942,	2,833.84	
Charges during year,	2,937.66	
		\$5,930.72
Paid to treasurer,	\$2,490.83	
Credit by vacancy,	310.90	
Unpaid,	2,933.87	
		5,735.60
Due from collector,		\$195.12

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR January 31, 1943

	1937 LEVY	
Unpaid taxes,		\$3.50
Abatements,		\$3.50
	1938 LEVY	
Unpaid taxes,		\$20.90
Abatements,		\$20.90
	1939 LEVY	
Unpaid taxes,		\$50.50
Abatements,	\$ 9.50	
Unpaid,	41.00	
		\$50.50
	1940 LEVY	
Unpaid taxes,		\$224.62
Paid treasurer,	\$ 10.00	
Abatements,	121.60	
Unpaid,	93.02	
		\$224.62

1941 LEVY		
Unpaid taxes,		\$3,304.45
Interest collected,		49.37
Cost collected,		18.10
Additions,		50.00
		\$3,421.92
Paid treasurer,	\$2,062.71	
Abatements,	50.40	
Sold to town,	1,310.32	
Unpaid,	30.00	
		3,453.43
Overpaid,		\$31.51
1942 LEVY		
Property tax committed,		\$37,942.66
Poll tax committed,		984.00
Interest collected,		19.28
		\$38,945.94
Paid treasurer,	\$35,270.97	
Abatements,	123.06	
Unpaid,	3,018.51	
		38,412.54
Cash in hands of collector,		\$533.40
TAX SALES		
Unpaid,		\$5,455.54
Interest collected,		60.75
		\$5,516.29
Paid to treasurer,	\$1,036.48	
Unredeemed,	4,554.62	
		5,591.10
Overpaid,		\$74.81
Due from collector,		\$427.08

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the selectmen, town treasurer, town clerk, tax collector, water collector, road agent, library trustees, trustees of trust funds, public health nursing committee, municipal court, precinct commissioners and precinct treasurer, and find them correct with proper vouchers.

J. E. WAKEFIELD,
EDWARD M. FULLER,
Auditors.

Report of the
School District
of the
Town of Stratford, N. H.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the school district of Stratford qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall in the village of North Stratford, in said district, on Tuesday, the ninth day of March, 1943, at one o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the school board for ensuing three years.
4. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To choose auditors for the ensuing year.
6. To hear the reports of agents, committees or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. 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.
8. To transact any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Stratford this fifth day of February, 1943.

LESLIE E. BARNETT,
FLORA H. STEVENS,
WALTER L. NILES,

School Board.

A true copy of warrant—Attest:

L. E. BARNETT,
FLORA H. STEVENS,
WALTER L. NILES,

School Board.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD ORGANIZATION

	Term expires
Chairman, Leslie E. Barnett,	1944
Secretary, Flora H. Stevens,	1943
Member, Walter L. Niles,	1945
Treasurer, Edith M. Lowe	
Clerk, Edward B. Fuller	
Truant officers, Delia B. Hapgood and Loyal P. Brown	
Auditors, J. E. Wakefield, Edward M. Fuller	
Moderator, Ralph Hutchins	
Supt. of schools, Alonzo J. Knowlton	

Board meetings are held on call of the chairman.

REPORT OF TREASURER For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1942

SUMMARY

Cash on hand, June 30, 1941,		\$ 316.99
Received from selectmen:		
Appropriations,	\$17,072.00	
Bal. of prev. appropriation,	428.00	
Received from State treasurer:		
State aid,	3,438.60	
Federal aid, vocational,	236.08	
Received from all other sources,	3,055.83	
		\$24,230.51
Total amount available for fiscal year,		\$24,547.50
Less school board orders paid,		24,186.12
Balance on hand as of June 30, 1942,		\$361.38

EDITH M. LOWE,
District Treasurer.

June 30, 1942.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Date	From Whom	Source	Amount
1941			
July 1.	Town of Maidstone,	elementary tuition,	\$ 182.25
	17.	State treasurer, home economics,	236.08
	30.	Scott, Foresman Co., refund,	13.67
Sept. 21.	Selectmen,	taxation,	2,000.00
Oct. 2.	Town of Bloomfield,	H. S. tuition,	1,074.96
	13.	Selectmen, taxation,	1,000.00
Nov. 25.	Selectmen,	taxation,	2,000.00
Dec. 13.	Selectmen,	taxation,	2,500.00
	18.	Town of Columbia, H. S. tuition,	75.00
1942			
Jan. 6.	Town of Brunswick,	tuition,	241.50
	14.	State treasurer, equalization,	3,438.60
Feb. 10.	American Ed. Press,	refund,	1.44
	17.	Selectmen, taxation,	1,000.00
Mar. 21.	Town of Bloomfield,	H. S. tuition,	1,054.00
	26.	Selectmen, taxation,	2,000.00
Apr. 6.	Benj. H. Sanborn Co.,	refund,	10.09
	17.	Selectmen, taxation,	2,000.00
	17.	Town of Columbia, H. S. tuition,	75.00
May 20.	Selectmen,	taxation,	2,000.00
June 12.	Selectmen,	taxation,	2,000.00
	17.	Town of Maidstone, tuition,	327.92
	20.	Selectmen, taxation,	1,000.00
Total receipts during year,			\$24,230.51

FINANCIAL REPORT
For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1942

RECEIPTS

State and federal aid:		
Equalization fund,	\$3,438.60	
Federal aid, home economics,	236.08	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,674.68
Income from local taxation:		
For support of elem. schools,	\$8,621.90	
For support of high school,	7,362.60	
For salaries of dist. officers,	210.00	
For payment of per capita tax,	466.00	
Supt's excess salary,	411.50	
Bal. prev. appropriations,	428.00	
	<hr/>	\$17,500.00
From sources other than taxation:		
Dog licenses,		
Elementary tuition,	\$ 366.25	
High school tuition,	2,664.38	
Other receipts,	25.20	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,055.83
Total receipts from all sources,		\$24,230.51
Cash on hand at beginning of year, July 1, 1941,		316.99
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Grand total,		\$24,547.50

PAYMENTS

	Total Amount	General Expense	Support of High School	Support of El. Schools
Administration:				
Salaries of dist. officers,	\$ 210.00	\$ 210.00		
Supt's excess salary,	411.55	411.55		
Truant office and school census,	35.00	35.00		
Expense of administration,	113.84	113.84		
Instruction:				
Teachers' salaries,	13,782.88		\$ 6,864.00	\$ 6,918.88
Textbooks,	691.05		423.08	267.97
Scholars' supplies,	827.89		324.17	503.72
Flags and appurtenances,	2.00		2.00	
Other exp. of instruc.,	226.39		216.26	10.13
Operation and maintenance of sch. plant:				
Janitor service,	796.00		275.00	521.00
Fuel,	1,059.53		471.27	588.26
Water, lights, J. supplies,	305.35		154.05	151.30
Minor repairs and expenses,	211.67		73.80	137.87
Auxiliary agencies and spec. activities:				
Medical inspection,	1,000.65		250.00	750.65
Transportation of pupils,	3,401.00		976.70	2,424.30
Other spec. activities,	317.03		294.53	22.50
Fixed charges:				
Per capita tax,	466.00	466.00		
Insurance,	251.80	251.80		
Outlay for construction and equipment:				
New equipment,	76.49	76.49		
Total payments				
for all purposes,	\$24,186.12	\$1,564.68	\$10,324.86	\$12,296.58
Total cash on hand end of year,	361.38			
Grand total,	\$24,547.50			

BUDGET FOR 1943-1944

School board's estimate of the amount required to support public schools and to meet other statutory obligations for the year beginning July 1, 1943.

Detailed Statement of Proposed Expenditures

	High School	El. Schools	
Support of schools:			
Teachers' salaries,	\$ 7,309.00	\$ 7,216.00	
Textbooks,	200.00	200.00	
Scholars' supplies,	300.00	300.00	
Flags and appurtenances,		15.00	
Other expenses of instruction,	200.00	50.00	
Janitor service,	275.00	675.00	
Fuel,	500.00	650.00	
Water, lights and janitor supplies,	150.00	150.00	
Minor repairs and exp.,	50.00	150.00	
Health supervision,	20.00	500.00	
Transportation of pupils,	835.00	2,500.00	
Other special activities,	200.00	25.00	
	<u>\$10,039.00</u>	<u>\$12,431.00</u>	<u>\$22,470.00</u>
Other statutory requirements:			
Salaries of district officers,	\$ 210.00		
Truant officers and school census,	25.00		
Supt's excess salary,	411.55		
Per capita tax,	490.00		
Other obligations,	100.00		
	<u>\$1,236.55</u>		<u>1,236.55</u>
Total amount required to meet school board's budget,			<u>\$23,706.55</u>
Estimated income of the district:			
Balance June 30, 1943 (estimate),	\$1,216.13		
State aid (estimate),	3,022.42		
Dog tax,	50.00		
High school tuition (estimate),	2,175.00		
Elementary sch. tuition (est.),	243.00		
Other estimated income,			
Total est. income (not raised by taxation,			<u>\$6,706.55</u>
Assessment required to balance school board's budget,			<u>\$17,000.00</u>
	LESLIE E. BARNETT, FLORA H. STEVENS, WALTER L. NILES, School Board.		

Stratford, N. H., Feb. 10, 1943.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the members of the Stratford school board:

I hereby submit for your consideration my ninth annual report of the Stratford schools.

At the close of school and during the summer vacation, we lost six teachers as follows: J. Harold Smith, Virginia Dyke, Josephine Morse, Marion Colby, Mary Allen and Mabel A. Huston who was to be married. The vacancies were filled, after considerable trouble, as follows: Alida J. Zeeman, mathematics and science; Jeannette Briggs, French and English; Phyllis Banner, grades seven and eight; Helen Martin, grade six; Leona B. Fysh, grades two and three; Nathalie S. Fuller, Hollow Grammar; and Helen Brown, Hollow Primary. The others are in the same positions as last year.

It has been necessary to eliminate most of the manual arts because an instructor could not be found for manual arts and sciences.

School supplies have been purchased locally as far as possible and the balance with the other districts of the Union in order to get a lower price by buying in larger quantities.

Instrumental and vocal music have been carried on as in the past. Mr. G. E. Wentworth, in charge of the instrumental and the regular teachers, the vocal. The results are satisfactory.

The health work of the schools is carried on, as in the past, by the efficient nurse, Delia B. Hapgood. The health examination revealed 23 pupils with defective vision, 8 with defective hearing, 23 with diseased tonsils and 120 with defective teeth. Twelve children were vaccinated. The dental clinics were not held, as in the past, for want of available funds. No hearing tests were given.

The home economics department furnish something warm for those children who bring their lunches to North Stratford and the teachers at the Hollow, with the assistance of some of the larger girls, prepare something warm for the children's lunches in their schools.

The school census taken in September found 119 boys and 101 girls or a total of 220 children in town between the ages of 5 and 16. This is 8 more than a year ago. Of the number, 201 were reported in school, 18 between 5 and 8 and 1 between 8 and 14 or a total of 19 were reported not in school. The child between 8 and 14 is handicapped and is being instructed at home by one of the teachers.

From last year's registers we gleaned the following facts: Total unrepeated registration was 297; per cent of attendance, 95.42; which is somewhat better than the previous year; 215 tardy marks, an increase over previous year; 36 children had a record of perfect attendance; 14 non-resident pupils in the elementary schools and 39 in the high school; 7 school board meetings were held during the year; 11 visits were made by members of the school board to the schools; 41 visits by citizens; and the superintendent was credited with 585 teacher visits.

The following 36 pupils were not absent or tardy during the year: Hollow—Norma Chapman, John J. Normand, Ernest Bartlett, Claire Curtis and Ruth Wheeler; North Stratford elementary grades—Paul Tetreault, Priscilla Robie, Leona Tetreault, Richard Dumont, Nancy Leighton, Theodore Benoit, Dean Willey, Harriet Allin, Helen Arsenaunt, Laura Brown, Ronald Paquette and Julian Wakefield; High school—Marguerite Arsenaunt, Daisy Bergeron, Lawrence Graham, Marilyn Marshall, Clara Blodgett, Christine Boudle, Maurice Connary, Daniel Daley, Harry Graham, Norma Johnson, Frederick Jordan, Elaine Marshall, Milton Paradis, Earl Smith, Kenneth Stoddard, Sally Taylor, Rita Tetreault, James Wakefield and Maurice Bennett.

The teaching staff for the year 1942-1943 is as follows: Donald R. Harriman, headmaster; Alida J. Zeeman, science and mathematics; Marion E. Stevens, commerce; Jeannette Briggs, French and English; F. Marion Wood, home economics; G. E. Wentworth, instrumental music; Phyllis Banner, grades seven and eight; Helen Martin, grade six; Grace S. Martin,

grades four and five; Leona B. Fysh, grades two and three; Linnie L. Watson, grades one and two; Helen Brown, Stratford primary and Nathalie S. Fuller, Stratford grammar.

The following pupils graduated in the class of 1942: Betty Louise Barnett, Alphonse David Bergeron, Jr., Dorothy Victoria Carrier, Eleanor Marion Curtis, Phoebe Ruby Daley, Donald Boudle Fluery, Albert Raymond Fuller, Chester Asa Fuller, Earl Nealand Graham, Harry James Graham, Jr., Verna Lee Ingerson, Frederick Sawyer Jordan, Bertrand George La-Pointe, Francis Arnold Marshall, Roberta Helen Nugent, Errol Frederick Richardson, Chesley Ezra Robie, Claire Agnes Ronan, Charles Don Stevens and Rita Solange Tetreault.

A strong request has been handed down through the State Board of Education for all high schools to introduce a physical fitness course especially for the juniors and seniors. Special meetings have been held in different parts of the State to give instructions and outline the course. The course to be given the last half of the present year. To comply with this request, the schedule has been modified to meet the new demand. A small amount of new apparatus may be needed.

Most of the help that has been given to teachers has been by individual conferences rather than in general teachers' meetings. The cooperation has been of the highest quality. I wish to thank all who have contributed to make the year's work profitable to all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,
ALONZO J. KNOWLTON.

VITAL
STATISTICS

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRATFORD
For the Year Ending December 31, 1942

Date and Place of Death	Name and Surname of Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
		Years	Months	Days				
Mar. 25 North Stratford	John Carl Burbank	65	11	29	Bloomfield, Vt.	Laborer	Henry Burbank	Ellen Patte
May 17 West Stewartstown	Helen Blodgett	16	7	21	Stratford	Student	Newel Blodgett	Maudie Young
Apr. 20 North Stratford	Almon Churchill	58	3	3	Waltham, Nebr.	Mill Foreman	Frank Churchill	Laura Lindemann
Sept. 19 Stratford	Maudie C. Curtis	76	3	5	Stratford	Housewife	Stewart Blodgett	Lincy Blodgett
Nov. 2 Stratford	Chester Chapman	83	6	9	Baldwin, Me.	School Teacher	Sebanis Chapman	Mercy Towle
Aug. 2 North Stratford	Warren Dowse	75	9	9	Columbia	Farmer	William Dowse	Betsy Finn
Dec. 22 Lancaster	Lillian A. Johnson	77	9	28	Stratford		William Merrim	Annette White
Jan. 14 North Stratford	Alpha Lapointe	24	4	11	Norton Mills, Vt.	Railroad Man	George Lapointe	Virginia Salas
Feb. 16 North Stratford	Mildred U. Noble	46	4	14	West, Baldwin, Me.	Laborer	Charles Noble	Edith Dearborn
Apr. 3 Portland, Me.	William Nelson	47	1	23	Island Pond, Vt.	Laborer	Joseph Nelson	Nelle Doran
July 9 North Stratford	Mary Stevens	92	1			Housekeeper	Charles Schorf	Eliza Spaulding

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MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRATFORD For the Year Ending December 31, 1942

Date and Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Age in Years	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Name of Father	Name and Official Station of Person by Whom Married
Mar. 14 Lancaster	Albert J. Bedard Marjorie R. Scott	Stratford Colebrook	28 16	Sectionman Housework	Adelard Bedard Earl Scott	George R. Wolverton, Minister
Mar. 12 Milan	Nestor C. Baldwin Bernaine M. Bourgeois	North Stratford North Stratford	28 18	Bulldozes Operator Waitress	Everett Baldwin Juel Bourgeois	Avis A. Croteau, Justice of the Peace
June 20 Colebrook	Stanley D. Harding Myrtle J. Sheltry	Columbia North Stratford	20 16	Farmer At Home	Melvin Sheltry Henry Jonah	Rev. James F. Quimby, Ordained Minister
June 23 North Stratford	Mahlon A. Jonah Annie B. Conates	Stratford Stratford	45 40	Farmer Housekeeper	Alvin Burgess George Dowling	Edward M. Fuller, Baptist Minister
Dec. 12 North Stratford	Arthur W. Dowling Vivian R. Cogley	Stratford Stratford	22 17	U. S. Army Student	Clarence Cogley Richard Hapgood	Rev. Andre J. Brunelle, Catholic Clergyman
Dec. 24 Stratford	Richard Hapgood Bessie E. Reed	Stratford Lancaster	15 44	Student Housekeeper	Thomas Ingerson Charlie Morel	Edward M. Fuller, Baptist Minister
Apr. 25 North Stratford	Alcide Morel Dileme Gagne	Stratford Stratford	47 51	Laborer Cook	Napoleon Lafant Clarence Sanborn	Rev. Andre J. Brunelle, Catholic Priest
Feb. 22 Stewartstown	Wallace Sanborn Norma Parrish	North Stratford North Stratford	28 38	Laborer Waitress	George Parrish David Warner	George L. Wood, Justice of the Peace
June 29 North Stratford	Earl B. Warner Ruth M. Forbes	Newport Vt. Newport, Vt.	40 35	Mechanic Insurance Agent	Garfield Smith	Edward M. Fuller, Baptist Minister

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BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF STRATFORD
For the Year Ending December 31, 1942

Date of Birth and Name of Child (if any)	Sex	Living or Stillborn	No. of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
May 4 Albert J. Bedard	M	L	1	Albert J. Bedard	Marjory R. Scott	Stratford	St. Hubert, Canada	Providence, R. I.
Jan. 24 Judith L. Dexter	F	L	2	Stanley A. Dexter	Beatrice Arsenault	Hartford, Conn.	Concord	Columbia
May 1 Judith Lee	F	L	4	Thomas P. Dowse	Phyllis E. Reed	North Stratford	North Stratford	Leamington, Vt.
May 27 Alfred Clarence J.	M	L	1	Barold Daniels	Noelia St. James	North Stratford	Betula, Pa.	P. Q., Canada
Oct. 15 Darline Sue	F	L	3	Darwin Fuller	Edna A. Fuller	Stratford	Bloomfield, Vt.	Stratford
Apr. 13 Elston Edward	M	L	1	Elston Gale Hawkins	Ethelyn M. Curtis	Stratford	Buffalo, N. Y.	North Stratford
Aug. 3 Stuart Alan	M	L	4	Elmer Jarvis	Helen M. Holt	North Stratford	Stark	Berlin
Apr. 19 Bonita Rae	F	L	11	Malcolm Leighton	Marie Blanchard	North Stratford	Stark	Berlin
Aug. 22 Elaine Minerva	F	L	3	Bartlett LaValley	Evelyn Akers	North Stratford	South Columbia	Portland, Me.
May 5 Betty Lou	F	L	4	Arthur Morancie	Olive Portigue	East Stratford	Jackman, Me.	Stratford
July 19 Gaylord Murle	F	L	3	Robert Sargent	Ruby Chapman	Stratford	Stowe, Vt.	Stratford
Apr. 7 Suzan Mary	F	L	2	Frederick Smith	Margaret Levesque	North Stratford	Bartlett	Berlin
Mar. 19 Frederick Benson	M	L	1	Levontek Seavey	Lillian Bunnell	North Stratford	Kennebunkport, Me.	Columbia
Sept. 27 Donald Henry	M	L	1	Carl H. Tetu	Bianche Gaudette	East Stratford	East Stratford	Grovelton
Aug. 18 Lawrence Eugene	M	L	14	Napoleon Tetreault	Idilla Couture	North Stratford	Canada	Columbia
Jan. 20 Nancy Dee Dolores	F	L	2	Lawrence Willis	Geneva Kinston	North Stratford	Alexander	Columbia
Oct. 1 Marie Beta	F	L	3	Albert Young	Marie Meyhott	East Stratford	Stratford	Island Pond, Vt.

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