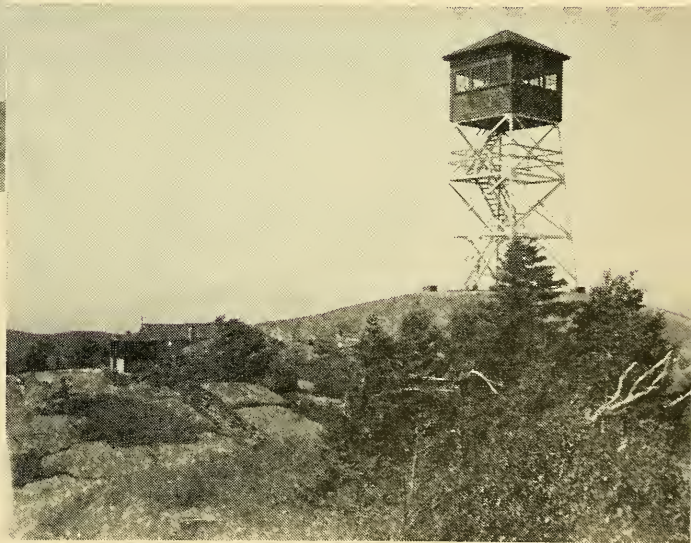



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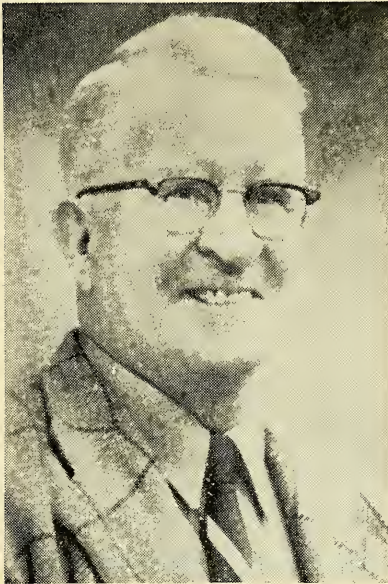


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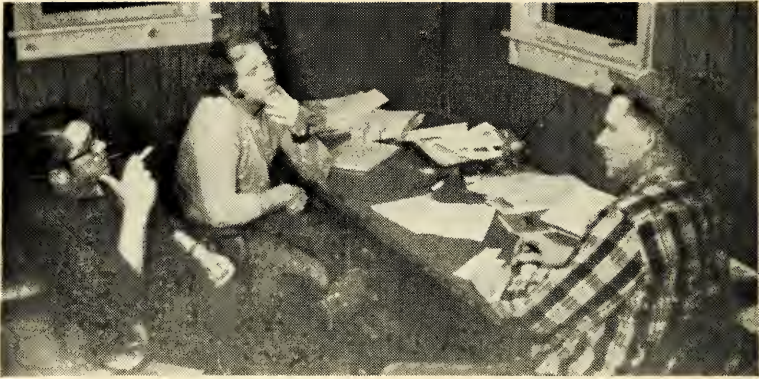
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OF THE TOWN OF CROYDON
IS HEREBY DEDICATED
TO
LAWRENCE DARLING**

It is with sincere gratitude that the Croydon Board of Selectmen dedicate this Town Report to a truly selfless servant of the people.

Lawrence was born in Cornish, and some years later moved to Concord. In 1933 he moved to Croydon where he worked as a Teamster for many years. He was the Town Health Officer for several years and served on the Board of Selectmen and as a Deputy Fire Warden from 1955 until 1967. Many Croydon youngsters and their parents best remember Lawrence as the School bus driver with a stern but fair sense of discipline and a big, quick smile.

He owned and drove the school bus from Croydon to Newport from 1953 until 1965 when he retired from public office.

We are sure that the entire Town joins with us in a heart-felt "Thank You" for a difficult task Well Done.



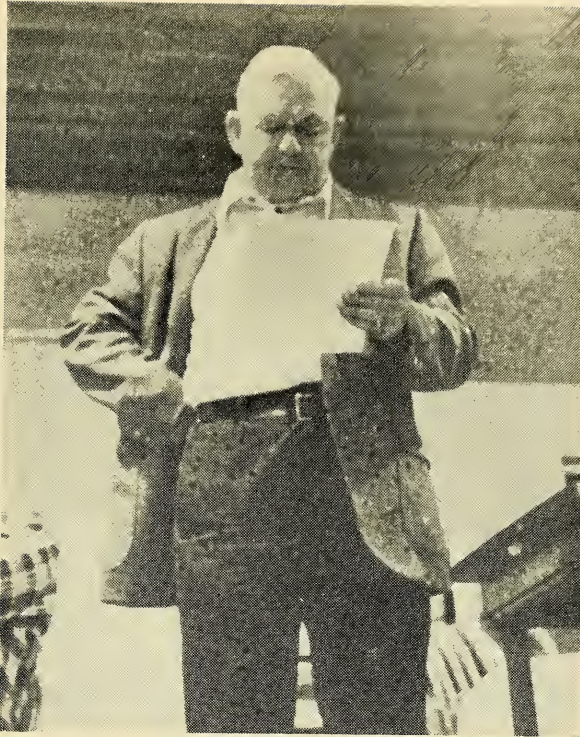
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
J. Pellerin, D. Allen, H. Newcomb



TAX COLLECTOR
Veronica Newcomb



**TOWN CLERK
&
TOWN TREASURER**
Rita Gross



TOWN MODERATOR
Willis H. Ballou, Sr.



CROYDON POLICE
R. Leslie, J. Howes, R. Hansen, Chief



BALLOT COUNTING AT TOWN MEETING

IN A LITTLE TOWN

by Mrs. Robert Watt

I like to live in a little town,
Where the trees meet over the street.
And you wave your hand and say "Hello"
To every one you meet.

I like to stop for a minute
Outside a grocery store
And hear the kindly gossip
Of the folks moving in next door.

For the life is interwoven
With the friends you learn to know,
And you feel their joys and sorrows
As they daily come and go.

So I'm glad to live in a little town
And I care no more to roam,
For every house in a little town
Is more than a house—it's home!



NEW BRIDGE AT REED'S OVERFLOW

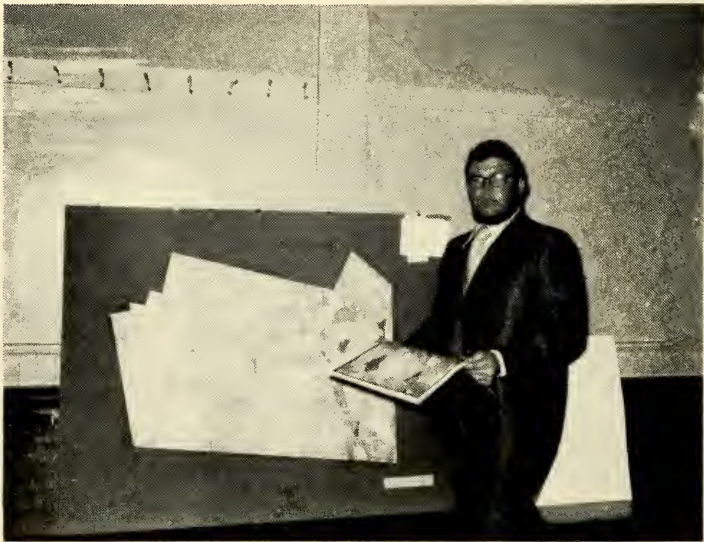


ONLY TWO MORE PAYMENTS TO GO . . . AND IT'S OURS!



THE PLANNING BOARD

R. Burnside, W. Walsh, H. Newcomb, W. Ballou, Jr., D. Shackett



PETER LAMMERT

Former Planning Board Chairman

123rd.

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, ROAD AGENT

POLICE CHIEF AND TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST

FUNDS AND OTHER OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

of the

TOWN OF CROYDON

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Together with the Report of the

SCHOOL BOARD

and the

VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1973

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

Willis H. Ballou, Sr.

Town Clerk and Treasurer

Rita Gross

Selectmen

Jules Pellerin

David J. Allen

Harry Newcomb

Tax Collector

Veronica Newcomb

Supervisors of the Checklist

Agnes MacKenzie

Katharine Fogg

Janet Pellerin

Ballot Clerks

Margaret Weber

Dorothy Ballou

Mildred Vaine

Overseer of Poor

Harry Newcomb

Police Department

Chief
Officers

Roderick Hansen
Joseph Howes
Ronald Leslie

Forest Fire Warden

Willis H. Ballou, Sr.

Road Agent

Arnold Sherman

Planning Board

William Walsh

Harry Newcomb
Willis H. Ballou, Jr.

Robert Burnside
David Shackett

Trustees of Trust Funds

Patricia Sawyer

Judith Chase

Dorothy Allen

Librarian

Eleanor Hunt

Library Trustees

Margaret Weber

Dorothy Ballou

Doris Farrington

Auditors

Janet Pellerin

Katharine Fogg

SCHOOL OFFICERS

School Board

Dorothy Ballou

Gerald Gross

Agnes MacKenzie

Moderator

Donald R. Chase

Clerk and Treasurer

Willis H. Ballou, Sr.

Auditor

Beatrice A. Smith

TOWN WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Croydon, in the County of Sullivan, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the 5th day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, (polls not to close earlier than 6 o'clock in the afternoon) to act upon the following subjects:

ART. 1. To choose one Selectman for three years, Highway Agent, two Auditors, Library Trustee for three years, two Trustees of Trust Funds, one for two years and one for three years, and all such officers and agents as may be necessary for the transaction of the town's business for the ensuing year.

ART. 2. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Planning.

ART. 3. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray Town Charges for the ensuing year.

ART. 4. To see if the Town will vote to accept State Aid for Class V roads and vote to raise and appropriate \$585.65 for same. The State to contribute \$3,904.32.

ART. 5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for summer and winter road maintenance.

ART. 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Expense of the Highway Department.

ART. 7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintenance of Town Dump.

ART. 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for cutting brush.

ART. 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for upkeep of cemeteries.

ART. 10. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Capital Reserve Fund to be used for new equipment.

ART. 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Street Lights and Lighting Town Buildings.

ART. 12. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Social Security on Town Employees for the ensuing year.

ART. 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to hire all necessary sums of money for use during the year in anticipation of taxes.

ART. 14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Insurance.

ART. 15. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Old Age Assistance.

ART. 16. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray the cost of Library, including Librarian's Salary, Heat, etc.

ART. 17. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Newport Area Home Health Agency.

ART. 18. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Solid Waste Capital Reserve Fund.

ART. 19. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Newport Hospital.

ART. 20. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate from Revenue Sharing Trust Fund, and transferred to Solid Waste Capital Reserve Fund.

ART. 21. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund for the purpose of creating a Tax Map.

ART. 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund and Transfer to the Capital Reserve Fund.

ART. 23. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Lebanon Regional Airport.

ART. 24. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint the Highway Agent in lieu of the Highway Agent being elected. If passed, this would become effective Town Meeting, 1975.

ART. 25. To see if the Town will vote to reconsider the construction of a bridge over Beaver Brook on the North Newport Road. (Inserted by petition)

ART. 26. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, contract for and accept federal and state grants or both as may become available from the Federal Disaster Assistance Administration and to expend such sums for the purposes set forth in said assistance program, such authority to remain vested in the said Selectmen until such time as it may be rescinded by the Town.

ART. 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$129.00 for the purpose of purchasing portable radio equipment for the Police Department. L.E. A.A. to contribute \$1,158.00 for the balance of the amount.

ART. 28. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals at said Croydon this 19th day of February, 1974.

JULES H. PELLERIN

DAVID J. ALLEN

HARRY P. NEWCOMB

Selectmen of Croydon

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

JULES H. PELLERIN

DAVID J. ALLEN

HARRY P. NEWCOMB

Selectmen of Croydon

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF CROYDON

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1973 to December 31, 1974

Sources of Revenues	Estimated Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Revenue Previous Fiscal Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Fiscal Year 1974
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 600.00	\$ 961.75	\$ 1,000.00
State Gasoline Tax Refund	300.00	485.15	400.00
Savings Bank Tax	100.00	145.12	100.00
Meals & Rooms Tax	2,000.00	2,192.90	2,000.00
½ Cost of Fire Bills		70.96	
Highway Subsidy (Cl. IV & V)	7,533.94	7,533.94	7,467.65
Reim. Forest Conservation Aid		1,162.12	1,500.00
Old Age Recovery		25.25	
Reim. A/C Business Profits			
Tax (Town Portion)	3,500.00	3,879.40	3,500.00
Duncan Fund	4,469.71	4,469.71	5,898.15
From Local Sources:			
Dog Licenses	250.00	264.20	250.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees		16.00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	5,000.00	5,462.77	5,000.00
Income from Trust Funds—Cemetery— Care of Lots		350.00	
Withdrawal Capital Reserve Funds— Bridge Fund		5,227.66	
Sale of Checklist		15.00	
Toilet Fund		3,890.54	
Resident Taxes Retained	1,100.00	1,950.00	2,000.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed	3,000.00	731.32	3,000.00
Rent of Town Property		80.00	
Sale of Town Property— Sub-Division Regulations		6.00	
Chadwick-BaRoss-Refund on Overpayment		311.76	
Greeley Estate—Extra cost of grave		40.00	
School District—Gasoline	200.00	710.10	500.00
First National Bank— Anticipation of Taxes		5,000.00	
From Federal Sources:			
Revenue Sharing	10,000.00	5,239.00	7,500.00
Total Revenues			\$40,115.80

Compared with
Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and
Expenditures of the Previous Year
January 1, 1973 to December 31, 1973

Purpose of Appropriation	Appropriations Previous Fiscal Year	Actual Expenditures Previous Fiscal Year	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1974
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,852.51	\$ 4,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	700.00	555.59	800.00
Election & Registration Exp.	600.00	780.91	1,200.00
Municipal & District Court Exp.			500.00
Town Hall & Other			
Town Buildings	1,000.00	479.26	1,500.00
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	850.00	483.87	850.00
Perambulation	200.00	135.00	200.00
Protection of Persons & Property:			
Police Department	2,000.00	3,143.79	2,000.00
Fire Department inclu.			
Forest Fires	500.00	741.78	500.00
Cutting Brush	800.00	576.25	800.00
Insurance	2,000.00	1,437.10	1,500.00
Planning Board	500.00	500.00	100.00
Damages & Legal Exp.—Dogs		142.00	100.00
Health Dept.:			
Hospital	100.00	100.00	
Vital Statistics		8.00	
Ambulance	840.00	840.00	840.00
Town Dump—Garbage Removal	700.00	460.18	700.00
Highways & Bridges:			
Town Maintenance—			
Summer & Winter	10,000.00	17,626.23	12,000.00
Street Lighting	700.00	626.12	700.00
General Expenses of			
Highway Department	4,500.00	5,040.08	4,500.00
Town Road Aid	586.73	586.73	585.65
Libraries:	700.00	700.00	700.00

Public Welfare:

Town Poor	500.00	19.95	500.00
Old Age Assistance	2,500.00	1,311.84	1,000.00

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day, Etc.	30.00	26.88	30.00
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Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries	1,000.00	1,628.74	1,000.00
Advertising & Regional Assoc.	252.00	252.00	50.00

Debt Service:

Principal & Long Term Notes & Bonds		5,000.00	
Interest on Temporary Loans		93.76	

Capital Outlay:

Taxes Bought by Town		627.51	
Bridge Fund—Reed's Overflow		5,227.66	
Payment to Capital Reserve Funds:			
Solid Waste	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Equipment	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00

Total Appropriations	\$37,558.73		\$38,655.65
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SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Town of Croydon in Sullivan County

CERTIFICATE

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

September 18, 1973

JULES H. PELLERIN

DAVID J. ALLEN

HARRY P. NEWCOMB

Selectmen of Croydon

Land—Improved and Unimproved	\$1,344,797
Buildings	2,249,224
Factory Buildings	100,000
Public Utilities—Electric	
N. H. Electric Coop.	500
Public Service Co. of N. H.	244,700
	245,200
Boats and Launches	2,000
Total Valuation Before Exemptions Allowed	\$3,941,221
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Elderly Exemptions (11)	\$45,300
Total Exemptions Allowed	45,300
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Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate is Computed	\$3,895,921
Number of Inventories Distributed in 1973	315
Date 1973 Inventories were Mailed	March 15
Number of Inventories Returned in 1973	221

**STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS
AND TAXES ASSESSED**

For the Tax Year 1973

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September 22, 1973

JULES H. PELLERIN

DAVID J. ALLEN

HARRY P. NEWCOMB

Selectmen of Croydon

Appropriations

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 4,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	700.00
Election and Registration Expenses	600.00
Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	1,000.00
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	850.00
Police Department	2,000.00
Fire Department	500.00
Insurance	2,000.00
Planning	500.00

Health Department

Ambulance	\$ 840.00	
Hospital	100.00	
		940.00
Perambulation		200.00
Town Dump and Garbage Collection		700.00
Town Maintenance—Summer and Winter		10,000.00
Street Lighting		700.00
General Expenses of Highway Department		4,500.00
Town Road Aid		586.73
Libraries		700.00
Town Poor		500.00
Old Age Assistance		2,500.00
Cutting Brush		800.00
Patriotic Purposes		30.00
Cemeteries		1,000.00
Regional Associations—Upper Valley Planning		252.00
Payment to Capital Reserve Funds	\$1000.00	
	1000.00	2,000.00
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Total Town Appropriations		\$ 37,558.73

Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 961.75
Savings Bank Tax	145.12
Highway Subsidy	7,534.00
Gasoline Tax Refund	345.20
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	4,224.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	50.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	5.00
Dog Licenses	200.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	4,000.00

Rent of Town Property and Equipment	50.00
Income from Trust Funds	100.00
Resident Taxes Retained	2,170.00
Total Revenues and Credits	<u>\$ 21,967.07</u>
Net Town Appropriations	\$ 15,591.66
Net School Appropriations	64,498.96
County Tax Assessment	11,543.46
Total of Town, School and County	<u>\$ 91,634.08</u>
War Service Tax Credits	1,600.00
Overlay	<u>2,200.00</u>
Property Taxes to be Raised	\$ 91,554.14
Tax Rate—Town	\$2.35

TOWN CHARGES

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 3,852.51
Town Officers' Expenses	555.59
Election and Registration Expenses	780.91
Police Department	3,143.79
Expense of Town Hall and Other Buildings	479.26
Fire Department	741.78
Memorial Day	26.88
Interest on Short Term Loans	93.76
Perambulation of Town Lines	135.00
Ambulance	840.00
Town Poor	19.95
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Total	\$ 10,669.43

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1973

Title of Appropriations	Appropriation	Receipts and Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance	Overdrafts
Town Charges	\$10,370.00		\$10,370.00	\$10,669.43		\$ (299.43)
T. R. A.	586.73		586.73	586.73		
Roads (Summer and Winter)	10,000.00	7,533.94	17,533.94	17,626.23		(92.29)
Gen. Exp. of the Highway	4,500.00		4,500.00	5,040.08		(540.08)
Town Dump	700.00		700.00	460.18		
Cutting Brush	800.00		800.00	576.25	239.82	
Cemeteries	1,000.00	350.00	1,350.00	1,628.74	223.75	
Capital Reserve—Equipment	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		
Capital Reserve—Solid Waste	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00		
Street Lighting	700.00		700.00	626.12	73.88	
Social Security	850.00		850.00	483.87	366.13	
Insurance	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,437.10	562.90	
Old Age Assistance	2,500.00		2,500.00	1,311.84	1,188.16	
Libraries	700.00		700.00	700.00		
Upper Valley Planning	252.00		252.00	252.00		
Planning Board	500.00		500.00	500.00		
Newport Hospital	100.00		100.00	100.00		
Totals	\$37,558.73	\$7,883.94	\$45,442.67	\$43,998.57	\$ 2,654.64	(\$1,210.54)

FINANCIAL REPORT
for the
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1973

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February 2, 1974

JULES H. PELLERIN

DAVID J. ALLEN

HARRY P. NEWCOMB

Selectmen

RITA D. GROSS, Treasurer

BALANCE SHEET

Assets

Cash:

In hands of treasurer \$ 28,726.81

Capital Reserve Funds:

Road Reserve Fund \$ 7,147.20

Croydon Bridge Fund 15,786.76

Revenue Sharing Fund 2,846.34

\$ 25,780.30

Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 1972 163.17

Levy of 1971 308.22

\$ 471.39

Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1973, Incl. Resident Taxes 16,980.83

Total Assets

\$ 71,959.33

Current Deficit, December 31, 1972 8,484.01

Current Surplus, December 31, 1973 6,631.89

Decrease of Deficit

\$ 1,852.12

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by the Town:

Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds	2,846.34
Yield Tax Deposits (Escrow Acc't)	5,201.84
School Districts Tax Payable	31,498.96

Total Accounts Owed by the Town	\$ 30,547.14
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Capital Reserve Funds:

(Offsets similar Asset account)	25,780.30
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Total Liabilities	\$ 65,327.44
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Current Surplus (Excess of assets over liabilities)	6,631.89
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Grand Total	\$ 71,959.33
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TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Motor Vehicle Tax Permits

Number of permits issued—445

Received for 1972 permits	\$ 118.01
Received for 1973 permits	5,315.43
Received for 1974 permits	15.23
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	\$ 5,448.67

Dog Licenses issued—104

62 males @ \$2.00	\$ 124.00
26 spayed females @ \$2.00	52.00
14 females @ \$5.00	70.00
2 kennels @ \$12.00	24.00
15 penalties @ \$1.00	15.00
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Collected	\$ 285.00
Less Town Clerk fees @ 20c each	20.80
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	\$ 264.20

Town Clerk's office hours: Monday through Thursday: 5:30 P. M. to 8:30 P. M. and Saturday or Sunday by appointment. Please register motor vehicles early to avoid last minute congestion.

RITA D. GROSS

Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

Property, Resident and Yield Taxes

Levy of 1973

DR.

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$ 90,007.15	
Resident Taxes	2,170.00	
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Total Warrants		\$ 92,177.15

Added Taxes:

Property 1970-71	\$ 206.89	
Property Taxes	878.43	
Resident Taxes	30.00	
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		\$ 1,115.32

Overpayments During Year: \$.51	
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		\$.51

Interest Collected on Delinquent		
Property Taxes		32.73
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		12.00
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Total Debits \$ 93,337.71

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Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$ 74,776.32	
Resident Taxes	1,400.00	
Interest Collected	32.73	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	12.00	
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		\$ 76,221.05

Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes	\$ 135.83	
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		\$ 135.83

Uncollected Taxes—December 31, 1973:
(As Per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$ 16,180.83
Resident Taxes	800.00
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	\$ 16,980.83

Total Credits \$ 93,337.71

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

Property, Resident and Yield Taxes

Levy of 1972

DR.

Uncollected Taxes—As of January 1, 1973:

Property Taxes	\$20,069.88
Resident Taxes	560.00
Yield Taxes	845.20
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	\$ 21,475.08

Added Taxes:

Resident Taxes	\$ 10.00
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	\$ 10.00
Interest Collected on Delinquent	
Property Taxes	\$ 849.53
Penalties Collected on	
Resident Taxes	55.00
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	\$ 904.53

Total Debits \$ 22,389.61

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Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year
Ended December 31, 1973:

Property Taxes	\$ 20,053.38
Resident Taxes	550.00

Yield Taxes	447.17	
Interest Collected During Year	849.53	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	55.00	
		\$ 21,955.08

Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes	\$ 16.50	
Resident Taxes	20.00	
		\$ 36.50

Uncollected Taxes—December 31, 1973:
(As Per Collector's List)

Yield Taxes	\$ 398.03	
		\$ 398.03

Total Credits		\$ 22,389.61
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SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

Property, Resident and Yield Taxes

Levy of 1971

DR.

Uncollected Taxes—As of January 1, 1973:

Yield Taxes	\$ 284.15	
		\$ 284.15

Total Debits		\$ 284.15
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Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year
Ended December 31, 1973:

Yield Taxes	\$ 284.15	
Total Credits		\$ 284.15

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1973

DR.

	—Tax Sale on Account of Levies of:—		
	1972	1971	Previous Years
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes of January 1, 1973		\$ 912.81	\$ 308.22
Taxes Sold to Town During Current Fiscal Year	\$ 627.51		
Interest Collected After Sale	9.65	66.96	
Total Debits	\$ 637.16	\$ 979.77	\$ 308.22

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Remittances to Treasurer During Year:			
Redemptions	\$ 464.34	\$ 912.81	
Interest & Costs After Sale	9.65	66.96	
Unredeemed Taxes—December 31, 1973	163.17		308.22
Total Credits	\$ 637.16	\$ 979.77	\$ 308.22

UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALES

DECEMBER 31, 1973

	— Levies of —		
	1972	1971	Previous Years
Durgin, Arthur	\$ 163.17		
Newrock, William			\$ 35.81
Crockett, David			272.41
	\$ 163.17	\$	308.22

VERONICA C. NEWCOMB

Tax Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance, January 1, 1973	\$ 28,726.81
Receipts	142,214.10
Payments	136,942.93
Balance, December 31, 1973	33,997.98

Receipts

Tax Collector—Taxes	\$ 99,914.04
Town Clerk—1972 Motor Vehicle Tax	14.10
1973 Motor Vehicle Tax	5,448.67
Sale, Sub-Div. Regulations	6.00
Filing for Town Office	6.00
Pistol Permits	10.00
Dog Tax	264.20
Selectmen—Rent of Town Hall	80.00
Trustee of Trust Fund—Care of Cemetery Lots	350.00
Supervisors of Checklist—Sale of Checklist	15.00
Croydon School District—Sale of Gasoline	710.10
Special Funds—Bridges	5,227.66
Toilets	3,890.54
First National Bank—Short Term Loan	5,000.00
Greeley Estate—Extra cost of grave	40.00
Chadwick-BaRoss—Refund on overpayment	311.76
State of New Hampshire—Highway Subsidy	7,533.94
½ Cost of fire bills	70.69
Gas Tax Refund	485.15
Old Age Recovery	25.25
Business Profits Tax Recovery	3,879.40
Interest & Dividends Tax	961.75
Savings Bank Tax	145.12
Class V Highways	4,469.71
Timber Tax	1,162.12
Rooms & Meals Tax	2,192.90
	\$142,214.10

Special Accounts

Bridges—Balance, January 1, 1973	\$ 20,000.00
Dividend	1,014.42
	\$ 21,014.42
Transferred to the General Fund for cost of bridge at Reeds Overflow.	\$ 5,227.66
Balance	\$ 15,786.76

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Revenue Sharing—Balance, January 1, 1973	\$ 2,453.00
Dividend	154.34
U. S. Government check 1/24/73	2,354.00
U. S. Government check 4/27/73	1,442.00
U. S. Government check 7/27/73	1,443.00
Withdrawn and turned over to Trustee of Trust Funds for Solid Waste Capital Reserve Fund	3,000.00
Withdrawn and turned over to Trustee of Trust Funds for New Equipment Capital Reserve Fund	2,000.00
Balance	\$ 2,846.34

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Croydon Yield Tax Security	
Balance, January 1, 1973	\$ 1,450.00
Dividend	207.21
3/16/73 Withdrawn for Tri-State Lumber Corp. \$200.00 and Interest of \$5.37	205.37
Deposited—3/16/73 Davis & Symonds	2,000.00
6/22/73 Davis & Symonds	1,000.00
Atkinson-Davis Corp	400.00
Donald Clifford for Tri-State Lumber	350.00
Balance	\$ 5,201.84

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Toilet Fund—Balance, January 1, 1973	\$ 3,715.00
Dividend	175.54
	\$ 3,890.54

Withdrawn and Tranferred to General Account 11/9/1973	3,890.54
No Balance	<u>— 0 —</u>

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Road Reserve Fund—Balance, January 1, 1973	\$ 3,403.23
Dividend	192.97
State of N. H. check for federal disaster assistance for last summer's flood.	3,551.00
	<u>\$ 7,147.20</u>

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Planning Board Fund (New account)	
May 1973—Fees for sub-division hearings	\$ 197.00
Sale of sub-division regulations	12.00
Balance of March appropriation for Planning Board expenses	338.30
Dividends	6.42
	<u>\$ 553.72</u>
Withdrawals: Dorothy Wallace, typing	35.00
Willis Ballou, Jr., postage	7.44
Eagle, advertising	14.90
	<u>57.34</u>
Balance, December 31, 1973	<u>\$ 496.38</u>

PAYROLL

1973 Taxable Wages and Remunerations subject to Social Security. This does not include contracting, Town Fire Warden, work of an emergency nature, or Election Officials who receive less than \$50.00 in any one quarter.

	Wages Gross	S.S.	W. H.	Wages Net
David Allen	\$ 500.00	\$ 29.25		\$ 470.75
Russell Currier	242.00	14.16		227.84
Katharine Fogg	20.00	1.04		18.96
Rita Gross (Treasurer)	300.00	17.55		282.45
Rita Gross (Clerk)	703.00	41.00	117.00	545.00
Roderick Hansen	1,240.40	69.08		1,171.32
Joseph Howes	26.40	1.54		24.86
Ronald Leslie	342.19	19.83		322.36
Harry Newcomb	520.00	30.29		489.71
Veronica Newcomb	1,233.51	64.14		1,169.37
Janet Pellerin	20.00	1.04		18.96
Jules Pellerin	550.00	32.18		517.82
Arnold Sherman	6,940.50	395.44	1,006.40	5,538.66
	\$12,638.00	\$ 716.54	\$ 1,123.40	\$10,798.06

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes: (Collected and remitted to Treasurer)

Property Taxes—Current Year—1973	\$ 74,776.32
Resident Taxes—Current Year—1973	1,400.00
Total Current Year's Taxes	
Collected and Remitted	76,176.32
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes—	
Previous Years	20,784.70
Resident Taxes—Previous Years	550.00
Interest received on Delinquent Taxes	882.26
Penalties: Resident Taxes—State Head Taxes	67.00
Tax sales redeemed	1,453.76

From State:

For Highways and Bridges:

For Class V Highway maintenance	4,469.71
Highway Subsidy	7,533.94
Interest and dividends tax	961.75
Savings Bank Tax	145.12
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing	
Wood and Timber	1,162.12
Fighting forest fires	70.69
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	25.25
Meals and Rooms Tax	2,192.90
Reimbursements a/c Business Profits Tax	3,879.40
Gas Tax Refund	485.15

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	264.20
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	16.00
Rent of town property	80.00
Sale of Sub-division Regulations	6.00
Income from trust funds	350.00
Sale of Checklist	15.00
School District—Gasoline	710.10
Motor vehicle permits (1972-\$ 14.10)	
(1973-\$5,448.67)	5,462.77

Total Current Revenue Receipts	<u>\$127,744.14</u>
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CLASSIFICATION

Payments for the Year Ended December 31, 1973

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town officers' salaries	\$ 3,852.51
Town officers' expenses	555.59
Election and registration expenses	780.91
Municipal and District Court expenses	.60
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	479.26

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	3,143.79
Fire department, including forest fires	741.78
Planning Board	500.00
Damage by dogs	142.00
Insurance	1,437.10

Health:

Health department, including hospitals and ambulance	940.00
Vital statistics	8.00
Town dumps and garbage removal	460.18

Highway and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	586.73
Town Maintenance—Summer—Winter	17,626.23
Street lighting	626.12
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	5,040.08

Libraries:	700.00
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Public Welfare:

Old age assistance	1,311.84
Town poor	19.95
Toilet Fund	4,000.00
Memorial Day	26.88

Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries, including hearse hire	1,628.74
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Croydon, N. H.

UNIFORM

Receipts and

RECEIPTS

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	5,000.00
Greeley Estate—Extra cost of grave	40.00
Chadwick-BaRoss—overpayment	311.76
Toilet Fund	3,890.54
Bridge Fund	5,227.66
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Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue	\$ 14,469.96
Total Receipts from All Sources	<hr/> \$142,214.10
Cash on hand January 1, 1973	28,726.81
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Grand Total	\$170,940.91

CLASSIFICATION

Payments for the Year Ended December 31, 1973

PAYMENTS

Unclassified:

Advertising and Regional Associations	252.00	
Taxes bought by town	627.51	
Cutting Brush	576.25	
Employees' Retirement and Social Security	483.87	
Perambulation	135.00	
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Total Current Maintenance Expenses		\$ 2,074.63

Debt Service:

Paid on tax anticipation notes	93.76	
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Total Interest Payments		\$ 93.76

Principal of Debt:

Payment on Tax Anticipation Notes	5,000.00	
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Total Principal Payments		\$ 5,000.00

Capital Outlay:

Reed's Overflow	5,227.66	
Payments to capital reserve funds	2,000.00	
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Total Outlay Payments		\$ 7,227.66

PAYMENTS

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

Resident Taxes Paid		
State Treasurer	272.25	
Taxes paid to County	11,543.46	
Payments to School Districts		
(1972 Tax \$33,122.88)		
(1973 Tax \$33,000.00)	66,122.88	
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Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		\$ 77,938.59
Cash on hand December 31, 1973		33,997.98
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Grand Total		\$170,940.91

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
Town Hall, Land and Buildings	\$22,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	2,200.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	2,700.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Police Department—Equipment	2,000.00
Fire Department—Equipment	100.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	6,000.00
Equipment	15,000.00
Materials and Supplies	500.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	7,000.00
Equipment	1,000.00
All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's Deeds:	
Champney Lot	1,500.00
Benoit Lot	500.00
Cronin Lot	3,500.00
 Total	 <hr/> \$ 64,500.00

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries

K. C. Fogg, J. S. Pellerin (Auditors)	\$ 40.00
H. P. Newcomb (Dog Warden)	34.00
Jules H. Pellerin	550.00
David J. Allen	500.00
Harry P. Newcomb	500.00
Rita D. Gross	975.00
Veronica Newcomb	1,233.51
Harry P. Newcomb (Health Officer)	20.00
Total	\$ 3,852.51

Town Officers' Expenses

N. H. Town Clerks Association	8.00
Zella E. LaForge	55.89
Brown and Saltmarsh	27.64
Wheeler and Clark	10.53
Argus-Champion	43.40
Department of Revenue Administration	3.12
Janet S. Pellerin (Stamps)	24.00
William Walsh	20.90
Veronica Newcomb	40.00
N. H. Tax Collectors Association	10.00
Eagle Publications	15.36
N. H. Municipal Association	100.00
Branham Publishing Co.	9.70
Rita D. Gross	110.60
Homestead Press	46.45
Jules H. Pellerin	30.00
Total	\$ 555.59

Election and Registration

Supervisors of Checklist	\$ 177.25
Moderator	20.00
Ballot Clerks	40.00
Argus-Champion	40.03
Eagle Publications	8.33
Barrett Press	495.30
Total	\$ 780.91

Town Hall and Other Buildings

Goodrich Oil	\$	136.40
Coniston Store		4.03
Claremont Gas		257.50
Public Service of N. H.		81.28
Total	\$	479.26

Police Department

Roderick Hansen	\$	1,631.59
Ronald Leslie		342.19
A. A. Auto Parts		42.91
Vorn Swain		18.80
Bruno's Auto Sales (Cruiser)		800.00
Badger Shirt Company		25.69
Wright Communication		82.35
Morey's Uniform		48.05
C & R Service Station		109.25
Joseph Howes		26.40
Auto Electric Service Co.		16.56
Total	\$	3,143.79

Fire Department

Town of Newport (False Alarm-Faust)	\$	81.00
(Haven Gate Cottage)		391.50
Treasurer—State of N. H.		3.36
Town of Grantham (Faust)		54.00
Fire Department, Croydon		211.92
Total	\$	741.78

Planning Board

Sullivan County Conservation District	\$	97.79
Argus-Champion		32.03
Eagle Publications		8.50
Barrett Press		14.25
Zella E. LaForge		9.08
Deposit in Planning Board Fund		338.30
Total	\$	500.00

Town Dump

Russell Currier	\$ 242.00
Arnold Sherman	200.00
J. H. Pellerin (Shovel and Rake)	18.18
Total	<hr/> \$ 460.18

General Expense of the Highway Department

International Salt	\$ 2,607.06
Gulf Oil	102.80
Vaines' Garage	8.74
Hathorns' Inc.	10.09
Gateway Motors	32.49
Rowell Bros.	14.10
Goodrich Oil	32.45
Barrett Equipment	77.76
Ed's Equipment	32.55
Kibbey Equipment	81.29
G. K. Stetson	119.39
Construction Equipment	247.86
Agway Petroleum	1,673.50
Total	<hr/> \$ 5,040.08

Cutting Brush

Peter Lammert	\$ 115.75
Harry P. Newcomb	162.75
Jules H. Pellerin	147.75
Pel-For Corp.	150.00
Total	<hr/> \$ 576.25

1973 APPROPRIATIONS

Planning	\$ 500.00
Town Charges	10,370.00
Salaries	\$ 4,000.00
Officers' expenses	700.00
Election	600.00
Town hall and buildings	1,000.00
Police	2,000.00
Fire	500.00
Perambulation	200.00
Memorial	30.00
Ambulance	840.00
Town Poor	500.00
Class V Roads	586.73
Roads	10,000.00
General expense of highway	4,500.00
Cutting brush	800.00
Cemeteries	1,000.00
Street lights	700.00
S. S.	850.00
Insurance	2,000.00
Old Age Assistance	2,500.00
Library	700.00
Newport Hospital	100.00
Solid Waste Capital Reserve Fund	1,000.00
Capital reserve fund—New Equipment	1,000.00
Upper Valley Planning	252.00
Town Dump	700.00
	\$ 37,558.73

Tabular Statement of Trust Funds Income and Expenditures Dec. 31, 1973

Date of Creation	Name of Fund and Purpose	Balance Beginning Year	Balance End Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
1804	School Fund, Schools	1,462.01	1,555.45	—	—	30.19
1903	Asa Davis, Davis Cemetery	150.00	150.00	7.86	—	17.25
1911	Gilman Whipple, Burial lot	200.00	200.00	10.48	10.56	2.91
1913	Hannah Stevens, Burial lot	50.00	50.00	2.62	1.50	2.72
1917	Kate Clark, Burial lots	50.00	50.00	2.62	1.50	6.73
1920	Baldwin Humphrey, Burial lot	100.00	100.00	5.24	3.00	4.52
1924	Harriet Cooper, Burial lot	100.00	100.00	5.24	3.00	6.93
1928	Almon Coon, Burial lot	100.00	100.00	5.24	3.00	—
1928	Albert Parlin, Flat Church	10,000.00	10,000.00	646.50	646.50	15.90
1930	Hilliard Sanborn, Burial lots	500.00	500.00	26.20	17.00	5.23
1941	Louisa Bailey, Burial lots	75.00	75.00	3.93	3.00	11.78
1950	Albert Barton, Burial lot	200.00	200.00	10.48	10.00	16.00
1951	John A. Barton, Burial lot	100.00	100.00	5.24	3.00	—
1951	Clinton Barton, E. Village Church	2,000.00	2,000.00	129.30	129.30	15.98
1951	DeWitt Barton, Burial lots	200.00	200.00	10.48	10.00	—
1951	Town of Croydon, Capital Res.	9,114.14	12,675.52	—	—	50.15
1968	Orrin Pillsbury, Croydon F. Cem.	5,000.00	5,000.00	312.35	266.44	5.43
1969	Walter Nelson, Burial lots	100.00	100.00	5.24	3.00	—
1969	Town of Croydon, Tri-Centennial Fund	120.71	127.51	—	—	—
1971	Capital Reserve Fund, Solid	6,296.29	10,752.26	—	—	—
1971	Waste Disposal	360.00	700.00	27.79	—	46.57
1973	Croydon Cem. Fund, Cem. Care	—	500.00	23.96	15.00	8.96
1973	Louis A. Holbritter, Burial lots	—	—	—	—	—
1973	Interest on Trust Interests	—	—	7.33	—	36.51
	New Funds Created	\$36,278.15	\$45,235.74	\$1,248.10	\$1,125.80	\$283.76
	Capital Gains Dividends	—	—	—	—	—

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

January 16, 1973

JUDITH I. CHASE, Treasurer
 DOROTHY J. ALLEN
 PATRICIA A. SAWYER
 Trustees

**TRUSTEES' REPORT
OF THE
CROYDON TOWN LIBRARY**

Receipts

Balance	December 31, 1972	\$	211.44
February	Received check—for book in memory of W. H. Dent		8.00
March	Received from Town		700.00
December	Dividends for year 1973		7.64
			\$ 927.08

Payments

January	Gas	\$	9.45
	Eleanor Hunt, remainder of 1972 salary		150.00
February	Eleanor Hunt, petty cash		10.00
March	Magazine subscriptions		24.73
	Books		74.45
	Eleanor Hunt, salary 3 months		75.00
April	Trustees' dues to NHLTA		9.00
	Librarian's dues to NHLA		2.00
	Stamps		2.00
May	Gas		9.80
	Books		60.44
	Jesse Hawkins, shelves		40.00
June	Books		19.74
	U. S. Envelope Co., book pockets		6.30
	Demco, book binding material		6.03
	Eleanor Hunt, salary thru June		75.00
	Barrett Press		7.75
	Changing Times		7.00
July	Eleanor Hunt, children's books		23.10
	Ida Dorsey, books		5.75
	Eleanor Hunt, books		20.00
	Books		9.48

August	Books	8.05	
	Stamps	.96	
September	Eleanor Hunt, salary thru September	75.00	
	Books	7.50	
	Gas	18.40	
October	Eleanor Hunt, petty cash and books	10.00	
	Books	9.91	
November	Books	7.50	
December	Consumer Report, 2 yrs sub.	14.00	
	Gas	7.80	
	Eleanor Hunt, salary thru Dec.	75.00	
	Books	13.82	
			\$ 894.96
	Cash on hand, Dec. 31, 1973		.88
	Citizens National Bank		29.69
	Sugar River Savings Bank		1.55
			\$ 927.08

DOROTHY E. BALLOU, Treas.
MRS. F. ROGERS FARRINGTON
MRS. PHILIP WEBER

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT—1973

The Library continued as in past years, open one afternoon and evening a week, with volunteer help from Mrs. Ronald Leslie, Mrs. Jesse Hawkins, Mrs. Wm. Walsh, and Miss Virginia Bressette. A weekly summer story hour was held, and several during the winter at the school. Croydon school children come to the Library once a week, and an increasing number of the town's youth are making use of reference material.

Seven hundred books were added to the Library collection, many of them second hand in order to stretch the budget, or gifts from friends and patrons. These include paperbacks as well as hardcover books. Members of the

family gave three books on Americana in memory of Wilfrid Dent. The Good Neighbors Club paid for the binding of Town Reports from 1851 to the present, a very welcome gift.

New shelves were added, up to the ceiling, giving room for the additional books obtained, and unfortunately already filled. Over 1500 books were borrowed from the State Library Bookmobile, and special ones requested from Keene district office or Concord.

Several bookmending sessions were held by Mrs. Hunt and Mrs. Hawkins for the children's books, and more are needed. Any volunteers?

Petty cash of \$10.00 received in January 1973 was spent for postage, phone calls, office supplies, and material from the Children's Council for National Library Week in April. Two lost children's books were paid for, and a duplicate book sold, adding \$1.04 to the petty cash.

Hopefully, State Library recommended qualifications, for this size town, of having the Library open 8 hours a week, will be met by July 1974. We invite the residents to make even better use of library facilities available to them, in the coming year, and would be happy to hear suggestions of books wanted and hours most useful for them. At present, Thursday is Library Day come see us.

Statistics show a seven per cent increase in circulation above 1972:

Children's books	1,637	Adult Fiction	728
Juvenile & Youth	895	Non-fiction	631

Many magazines and some pamphlets circulate as well. The Library subscribes to Newsweek, Parent's, National Geographic, Yankee, Profiles, N. H. Echoes, Audubon Qtrly., Consumer Report, and Changing Times. Among those donated are U. S. News and World Report, Reader's Digest, and Sports Illustrated.

Respectfully submitted,
ELEANOR B. HUNT
Librarian

AUDITORS'S REPORT

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements, and other financial records of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Collector of Taxes, and Trustees of the Trust Funds of the Town of Croydon for the year ending December 31, 1973, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JANET S. PELLERIN

KATHARINE C. FOGG

Town Auditors

February 4, 1974

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Members: Gerald Gross

Harry Newcomb

Janet Pellerin

During the past year extensive work has been done on the Pinnacle Cemetery by Mr. Arnold Sherman. This is the oldest cemetery in Croydon and contains the graves of some of the original settlers and Revolutionary War soldiers. Because of the difficulty in getting to this Cemetery and lack of funds, not much work has been done in the past few years. As a result, brush has grown in, graves have settled and stones have fallen over. It was necessary to clear out the brush, fill in the graves by hauling in loam and repair the road leading to the Cemetery. Part of this work was accomplished this year costing a total of \$1,462 and hopefully will be completed in the coming year. It is hoped that no more than \$1,000 more dollars will have to be spent to do this.

The Cemetery Committee invites all townspeople to avail themselves of the opportunity to visit their town cemeteries.

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND DISTRICT CHIEF

The New Hampshire Forest Fire Service is represented in every town, city or unorganized place in our state by the forest fire warden. Anyone wishing to kindle an outside fire when the ground is not covered with snow must first obtain the written permission of the fire warden. Except for cooking fires, no fire can be kindled between 9:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. unless it is a commercial or industrial burn or it is raining. The fire warden is assisted in his work by the District Forest Fire Chief who works for the Department of Resources and Economic Development Forest Fire Service.

Fire prevention was, again this year, the most important part of the Forest Fire Warden's job. Fire statistics show the need with 72½ of the fires caused by smoking, debris burning and children. Smokey the Bear is an important prevention tool but he still needs much help from the public. Parents should warn their children of the hazards of playing with matches. Children tend to forget that a lighted match held in their hand is a potential forest fire.

Forest Fire Record:

	State	District	Town
Fires reported	617	12	0
Acres burned	244	1½	1
Acres average size	.395		Spot

District Fire Chief
GERALD S. GROSS

Forest Fire Warden
WILLIS H. BALLOU, Sr.

SUMMARY OF TOWN MEETING HELD

March 6, 1973

Town Officials elected by ballot were as follows:

Selectmen	Harry P. Newcomb
Road Agent	Arnold J. Sherman
Trustee of the Trust Funds	Judith Chase
Library Trustee	Margaret Weber
Auditors	Katharine C. Fogg Janet S. Pellerin

The business meeting began at 1:30 P. M.

A total of \$37,558.73 was raised and appropriated for our expenses. A complete list of these appropriations may be found on page 12 of this report.

Town Officials salaries were raised as follows:

Chairman, Board of Selectmen	\$550.00 per year
Selectmen	500.00 per year
Auditors	35.00 per year
Moderator	30.00 per day
Ballot Clerks	15.00 per day
Treasurer	300.00 per year
Supervisors of the Checklist	15.00 per day

The Selectmen were empowered to set the Road Agent's salary and he is now receiving \$3.00 per hour.

No money was raised for the Newport Area Home Health Agency or the Dartmouth-Lake Sunapee Region Association.

Under Art. 21, the Town voted to become a member of the Upper Valley Planning and Development Council.

The Town voted to establish a conservation Commission under the provisions of RSA 36A and within 60 days of this meeting, the Selectmen appointed the following: Janet S. Pellerin, Marie Newcomb, and Katharine C. Fogg.

Several items of interest were mentioned under the last article, 'Any other business':

It was voted to require the chief law enforcement officer to submit a report in the town report listing detailed accounts of all money received and expended.

Gerald Gross mentioned that this was the first time in

many years that there was NO request for funds for White Pine Blister Rust Control.

Harry Newcomb explained that the money for the Town Hall toilets was in the bank and if they could possibly find a contractor, they would be installed this year.

Jules Pellerin explained that the rent of the Town Hall has been raised to \$40.00 and even then they hated to rent the hall when our tables had been so badly scratched.

It was brought to the Town's attention that the Newport Carnival Queen of '73 was Grant and Audrey Chamberlain's daughter, Carmen Chamberlain. Several years ago their daughter, Muriel, was also Queen. Congratulations!

The Moderator read the following letter:

University of New Hampshire
New Hampshire Municipal Reports Contest
1971 Annual Reports
Second Place Class I
CROYDON

The Town of Croydon has been awarded Second Place in its category for the preparation of an interesting and informative Town Report for its citizens. Congratulations to Croydon for its superior accomplishments.

The meeting was officially closed at 7:00 P. M.

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SUMMARY OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

October 18, 1973

“To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$7,200.00 for the purpose of reconstructing Town Roads and Bridges or portions thereof destroyed or damaged by floods, and to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, contract for, and accept grants of federal or state aid or both as may be available and to do all things necessary to carry out the purpose of the appropriation.”

Fifteen voters attended this Special Town Meeting. Jules Pellerin, Selectman, gave an explanation of the article. Following several questions and answers from the floor, that article was passed as read. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 P. M.

REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Members: Marie Newcomb
Katharine Fogg
Janet Pellerin

By vote of Town Meeting in 1973 the Selectmen were authorized to appoint a Conservation Commission. This was done and the above named members appointed. The Commission has met with Mr. Malcolm Taylor, Executive Secretary of the New Hampshire Association of Conservation Commissions, to have questions answered regarding the Scenic Road Law and the use of Open Space, and other questions that have come before the Commission. At the present time the Commission is studying maps of old Town Roads that are no longer used as public thoroughfares to determine if some of them should be designated as Scenic Roads. The Commission welcomes any comments or suggestions and would be glad to answer any questions regarding the above.

THE CROYDON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

The Croydon Congregational Church was reopened about three and one-half years ago with Rev. Arthur Kennan as minister.

Since then it has grown slowly but steadily. Five new members were added last year alone, to make a total of 26 members.

In the intervening period of faithful Sunday worship, the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion were offered to all. Rev. Kennan has also officiated at many marriages and funerals in this beautiful old church, provided by our forefathers.

For the past two summers the church has been united in Sunday worship with the church in Croydon Flat, holding services in June, July and August in that church.

The Croydon Flat church provides financial support all year long in return. This support has greatly helped to keep our church going and meet expenses.

The Christmas candlelight service is a beautiful service and is well attended by the townspeople.

A Hymn Sing was held in November which was equally well attended, and plans are being made to hold them frequently in the future. Donations from the Hymn Sings are to be applied to a fund for a new heating system for the church, which is badly needed.

The McGuire family keep the wood stove going to warm the church for services until it gets too cold to heat the church, and the Newcomb family supply the wood.

When the weather gets too cold, services are held in the little red schoolhouse, next to the church.

The newly elected officers of the church for 1974 are:

Minister	Rev. Arthur Kennan
Deacons	Jesse Hawkins, Edward Hunt
Treasurer	Jesse Hawkins
Clerk	Margaret Hawkins
Mission Rep.	Eleanor Hunt
Trustees	Mrs. Willis Ballou, Mrs. Leroy Pearsons

Services are held at 9:00 a. m. every Sunday and all are invited to attend.

Respectfully submitted,
MARGARET HAWKINS
Clerk

The annual meeting of the Independent Religious Society of Croydon Flat was held on November 25, 1973 at the home of Cecil Dodge with seven members present. Cecil Dodge was reelected President; Doris Kibbey, Vice President; Dorothy Allen, Secretary; Jean Dodge, Treasurer.

All members present expressed enthusiastic support of the union of our two churches in town with summer services being held at the Flat Church.

It is our prayerful hope that this meaningful relationship will continue to grow and to prosper for the mutual benefit of all.

Respectfully submitted by
CECIL DODGE
President

NEWPORT AREA HOME HEALTH AGENCY

The Newport Area Home Health Agency services are available to all participating towns for the following treatments ordered by a doctor: blood pressure readings, injections, dressings, baths, enemas, diabetic instruction, diet teaching, rehabilitation, health supervision, physio therapy.

Also the nurses provide instruction and guidance to expectant mothers, new mothers and babies, family planning, handicapped children and adults.

The agency has pre-school immunization clinics every other month and is assisted by local doctors and the New Hampshire State Department of Health and Welfare. Provided at these clinics are oral Polio vaccines, Diphtheria, Tetanus and Whooping Cough vaccines (DPT) and Measles vaccines.

The agency also works very closely with the New Hampshire State Bureau of Communicable Diseases in monitoring TB cases and contacts of TB cases, hepatitis outbreaks, measles epidemics, and other communicable disease problems.

The agency plans on reestablishing the well child clinics for low income families when a local pediatrician is available to help with them.

The director of the agency, Mary Gallant, also works with Newport Hospital discharge coordinator, Kitty Brown, to help patients there to plan for an easier transition to home after discharge. The agency in this way finds patients needing skilled nursing care at home after discharge from the hospital. If the agency is unable to assist possible patients, the agency refers them to the appropriate agency such as: The New Hampshire State Welfare Department, Town or County Welfare, Vocational Rehabilitation, Mental Health Centers, Planned Parenthood, Alcoholics Anonymous and Alcoholic Rehabilitation Programs, drug rehabilitation programs, Senior Citizens, Crippled Childrens Services, Maternal and Child Health Services, Heart Disease Program, Special Health Services, Convulsive Disorders, Clinics, Cancer Commission, Cystic Fibrosis Clinics and other Home Health agencies.

The Newport Area Home Health Agency is certified thru Medicare. Medicare and Welfare patients usually receive services free as Medicare and Welfare reimburses the agency directly. The agency also has a contract with Blue Cross/Blue Shield to provide skilled nursing care and physio therapy to patients in their homes in lieu of hospitalization only. Any person requiring services that the agency can provide will get care, either on a sliding scale fee or free if unable to pay. (This is paid for by town appropriations—your tax dollars.)

The agency has program for ongoing inservice education in conjunction with the New Hampshire Board of Continuing Education, New Hampshire Heart Association, New Hampshire Lung Association, New Hampshire Department of Health and thru closed circuit TV programs at the Claremont General Hospital.

NEWPORT AMBULANCE SERVICE

The Newport Ambulance Service answered 336 calls during 1973.

The addition of the new ambulance and the increased support from town officials, townspeople, and the surrounding communities has made it possible to improve our service and the morale of the crew. The ambulance staff has increased from a low of six members to a record high of seventeen members.

The Ambulance Service, the vehicles, and the crew members are all licensed with the state and meet all requirements above regulations. Over 75% of the members are now licensed "Emergency Medical Technicians." This represents a great many hours of training for each member. Coverage to the area towns has continued this year. Each town that we have covered with service has helped to support the ambulance service with tax assistance based on population, at \$2.00 per head. The ambulance service hopes to continue service to all communities in our area again in 1974.

The Ambulance Service has also responded to all major fires, in all communities. This is added protection of life and limb to all concerned.

The Newport Police Department has continued to serve as our dispatcher and has proven very valuable to our service and response time. Our telephone number for emergencies is 863-2355.

The crew consists of:

Royal Wallace, Director	Arthur Files
Keith Gregory, Vehicle Chief	Gordon Blood
Beatrice Delorier, Supply Chief	Babe Frye
Tom Clough	Terry Frye
Orren Barton	Sandra Wallace
Albert Gobin	Ruth Leavitt
Paul Duling	Edward Karr
Mike Patten	Robbie Parker
Walt Patten	

Police Dispatchers:

Verna Connor	Peggy Currier
William Massey	Joni Newell

The need for adequate housing for the ambulances and supplies is our major problem. The vehicles are in three separate locations. We need to put them in one central place with heat.

Respectfully submitted,

ROYAL WALLACE

Director

REPORT OF

THE CROYDON POLICE DEPARTMENT

This year, with the purchase of a Croydon Police cruiser and the hiring of two Special Police Officers, Croydon was given far better police protection than has ever been offered in the past. This is especially important in this time of an ever increasing crime rate. We have been able to give more attention to routine patrol, answering complaints promptly, making more vacant property checks, working with other Police departments to apprehend wanted persons and suspects and receiving information from these departments in aiding our own Police Department.

You can help your Police Department. If you notice any strange activities or obvious infractions of the law, day or night, please call me or one of the other officers. We would rather be called out on a false alarm than to find a crime had been committed and we were not informed.

Below is a list of activities in which the Croydon Police Department has participated in the past fiscal year:

- 7 Accidents investigated
 - 8 Breaks investigated
 - 5 Burglaries investigated
 - 7 Animal complaints answered
 - 2 Drunk and disorderly charges investigated
 - 4 Malicious damage investigated
 - 1 Traffic control (fire)
 - 4 Wanted persons apprehended
 - 3 Missing persons investigated
 - 2 Burglar alarm calls answered
 - 1 Escapee apprehended
 - 1 Emergency phone call delivered
 - 15 Miscellaneous complaints
 - Stolen property recovered—Auto—Value—\$1,800
- Actions Taken:
- 15 Arrests
 - 20 Court Summons
 - 48 Warnings
 - 52 Suspicious auto checks
 - 65 Defective equipment citations

Respectfully submitted,

RODERICK N. HANSEN, Chief of Police
Phone 863-2004

RONALD LESLIE, Special Officer
Phone 863-3422

JOSEPH HOWES, Special Officer
Phone 863-4237

THE GOOD NEIGHBOR CLUB REPORT

Some years have elapsed since the Croydon Good Neighbor Club has submitted complete financial and activity reports to the town. Your Selectmen have requested such reports this year which are herewith submitted.

Aside from infinitesimal dues, occasional voluntary unsolicited gifts, special projects and food sales, the club's main source of income comes from the annual summer bazaar. For this sincere thanks are given to all Croydon residents who generously and consistently support the club with their donations and patronage.

To most of you the work of the Good Neighbor Club needs no explanation having served the community in its present form for twenty-five years, but to the many new dwellers in the district the following facts may prove of interest.

All women in Croydon are automatically eligible for membership and are always welcomed. As a rule active membership averages around thirty dedicated women who meet semi-monthly at various homes, their sole aim being to serve the community in every way consistent with earned income.

Three occasions during the year are mandatory for the club: (1) the annual summer bazaar; (2) the presentation of Thanksgiving treat baskets to all citizens who are seventy years old or older as appreciation for long years of participation in town affairs; and (3) the annual Christmas party at Town Hall at which time around a hundred children twelve years old or younger are given gifts, candy and fruit.

Aside from these special occasions the services the Good Neighbors give to Croydon are many and varied.

Cards, flowers and gifts remember the ill, the shut-ins and the bereaved. Newly married Croydon residents receive a wedding gift from the club and every infant born to Croydon parents receives a \$3 savings account.

Always high on the Good Neighbor priority list are

ways to help the children of the community. It happily supplies the East Village school with equipment needed but not regularly funded by the local school board; finances school trips; this past year purchased a large height-adjustable work table; and most recently paid for \$150 worth of badly needed dental care for primary students, not provided by the parents.

The Croydon Library has been furnished carpeting to make the floors more comfortable, \$50 allotted to the librarian, Eleanor Hunt, to purchase suitable new childrens' books and \$25 for book mending materials.

The Town Hall has been supplied with a permanent Christmas tree along with new lights and decorations; new faucets and shut-off valves installed in the kitchen along with secure new locks for china and supply cupboards; garbage cans provided for waste disposal and paper and linen supplies replenished.

The Community has benefited by the replacement of stolen road signs and old ones refinished; childrens' organizations have been assisted; two children sponsored each year for two weeks at camp with accident insurance paid by the club; a picnic table and benches placed at Rocky Bound Pond, and a selected place on the beach sanded for a play area.

The club is especially happy to announce that in the interest of preserving Croydon history all Town Reports since 1851 have been bound and placed in the Croydon Library for reference and safe handling.

Since our last report to the town the Good Neighbors have published and sold five hundred cookbooks, expertly compiled and financed by Aileen Avery and Claudia Ruger.

The Good Neighbors contribute to the Newport Hospital, donate to the County Health Program, gave \$25 to Reprisal Chapter, D. A. R., for repairs to The Little Red School House and have generously donated to those whom tragedy has struck and helped financially several whose illnesses have been of catastrophic proportion.

For these accomplishments and many others the Good

Neighbor Club hopes to be worthy of your continued support.

Respectfully submitted by
ELSIE SANDREUTER,
Recording Secretary

Present Officers:

Elsie Kuhn, president
Eleanor Hunt, vice president
Katharine Fogg, treasurer (14 years)
Elsie Sandreuter (6 years)

Interim Presidents:

Agnes MacKenzie
Jean Dodge
Janice Cummings

GOOD NEIGHBOR CLUB FINANCIAL REPORT

1968-1973

RECEIPTS

	Food		Bank		Bazaar	Gifts	Misc. Receipts	Cookbooks		Total
	Dues	Sales	Interest					Adv.	Cookbooks	
1968	\$ 24.00	\$ 98.33	\$ 23.20	\$ 630.52	\$ 141.00					\$ 917.05
1969	23.00	46.70	25.71	702.52	252.00	4.85				1,054.78
1970	38.00	86.50	25.15	824.87	25.00	3.00				1,054.52
1971	29.00	55.07	36.78	759.88	60.00	93.23		772.00		587.00
1972	26.00	80.52	89.90	988.40	2.50	90.00				245.50
1973	27.00	48.37	60.89	935.44	27.00	63.75				42.00
	\$ 167.00	\$ 415.49	\$ 261.63	\$ 4,841.63	\$ 507.50	\$ 254.83		\$ 772.00		\$ 874.50

EXPENDED

	Cards		Childrens		Town		School		Thanks-		Bazaar		Total
	Gifts	Flowers	Xmas	Party	Hall	Gifts	Gifts	Gifts	Baskets	eries	Materials	Misc.	
1968	\$ 130.51	\$ 130.51	\$ 167.52	\$ 16.87		48.00	\$ 52.87	\$ 35.02	\$ 91.85	\$ 70.33	\$ 564.97		\$ 564.97
1969	358.64	358.64	133.52	110.60		54.00	40.41	28.76	140.18	45.95	906.06		906.06
1970	379.60	379.60	141.17	3.30		21.00	45.72	46.55	79.64	102.70	752.77		752.77
1971	344.79	344.79	171.79	28.97		104.48	58.40	34.78	160.32	127.88	887.93		887.93
1972	398.06	398.06	127.36	236.62			50.86	36.12	142.26	921.39	2,017.15		2,017.15
1973	421.62	421.62	91.97	62.09			56.58	126.08	143.08	111.62	1,013.04		1,013.04
	\$ 1,933.31	\$ 1,933.31	\$ 833.33	\$ 458.45		\$ 227.48	\$ 304.84	\$ 307.31	\$ 697.33	\$ 1,379.87	\$ 6,141.92		\$ 6,141.92

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT STUDY COMMITTEE

The School Improvement Study Committee began meeting in January, 1974. Five meetings have been held to seek the most pressing problems confronting the residents of Croydon pertaining to the school. These meetings were also open to the public. The meetings so far, have brought out a drastic lack of communication between parents, the teacher and the School Board.

The Committee started too late in the year to propose any physical changes to be acted upon during the Annual School Meeting in March 1974. The only reason for this is that the Chairman was involved with other commitments and the organizing of the Committee was postponed. Now that the Committee is organized and meeting weekly, we can look into the future for the best route to take to educate the children of Croydon.

You must realize, as citizens, that the School Board has been and is fulfilling this purpose as elected representatives of the Community. The Committee feels that if no communications, conducted directly, between the Board and people exists; then the Board has no way of knowing what ideas the citizens have concerning their child's education. The Committee recommends that the citizens, having children who attend the Village School, should present what is bothering or puzzling them, at a School Board meeting. This meeting will get directly to the root of the problem and possibly it could be resolved at that meeting or shortly thereafter.

The Committee also feels that a communication gap exists between the parent and the teacher. The Committee advises any parent, with a problem or question, concerning their child's activities at school to set up an appointment with the teacher to discuss it. You may be pleasantly surprised with the results of having a friendly chat solving the problem together.

The idea of a Parent-Teacher Club being organized this year was discussed at one of our meetings. The Committee, along with the School Board and many parents, feel that it is a great way of getting to know your child's educational processes directly from the teacher. The Committee

will be busy getting this club organized in the near future.

The Committee will also be involved with a kindergarten program being established in Croydon. We feel the program will be of great benefit to our pre-schoolers and should receive public support.

The Committee presented to the School Board the proposal of having a private telephone installed at the schoolhouse. We were assured that action on this proposal would evolve in the immediate future.

The Committee, during the coming year will be looking into the structural development of the school building. The ideas already being considered are:

Installing cabinets along side walls for storage space;

Placing metal edging on roof to prevent ice build-up;

Procuring an auxiliary heater to heat the other room so more class room may be realized;

Obtaining more playground equipment for recess (the Good Neighbor Club has already taken action to procure additional educational games for inside recess period). A vote of appreciation definitely goes to this community organization for their fine deeds.

In closing, the chairman would like to thank the committee for their time and efforts in our endeavor to provide ways of improving our educational program. I feel the Committee has justified its purpose this past year by just getting people together to air their thoughts, thereby creating communication.

Willis H. Ballou, Jr., Chairman

Donna Leslie

Mary Lewis

Marie Newcomb

Janet Pellerin

William Walsh

School Improvement Study Committee

NEW LITTLE RED SCHOOLHOUSE

Once upon a time, there was a little red schoolhouse with one big room for 27 children. The teacher sat with an American flag on one side of her and a blackboard on the other. The children sat in rows facing her, the littlest ones in front. The youngest was seven, and she was very little. The biggest was 16, and he was six feet tall. The youngest was smart and she could read with the older children. The biggest was dumb, but he was strong and could help the teacher carry in wood. In bad weather, he carried the littlest girl across the puddle in front of the schoolhouse. And sometimes she helped him with his reading.

Then one day the state built a big highway, right past the schoolhouse door. And the State Education Department came by and said, "Great things are happening in education. There are special teachers for arithmetic, reading, art and music. If you combined with other schoolhouses, you could have a great big school where your children could have all the advantages. And big yellow buses could carry your children over the new highway right to the school door." So the parents voted to consolidate and the little red schoolhouse was abandoned.

At first things went well in the big school. But after a while, the State Education Department said that it wasn't providing the children with enough meaningful experiences. And some parents complained that the children were not learning to read and write and figure as well as they had in the little red schoolhouse. "We will try some new things," said the educators. So they tried the ungraded primary, where fast readers were not slowed down by slow readers, and where children who had trouble with numbers did not get moved on to the next grade before they could add 3 and 5. This helped, but not enough.

"We will try something more," the educators said. "We will tear down some walls in the new school, so the child-

ren will be working together in one big room. That way, there will be less peer-group competition."

Finally, an important educator came along, looked at the school and said "This is good, but it is not good enough. It is too big, and the children are losing their identity. There are not enough interpersonal relationships in the infrastructure. What we really need is a one-room schoolhouse. And since red is a cheerful color, I think we will paint it red."

—Credit to: Phyllis Cobbs, Patent Trader,
Mt. Kisco, New York

VILLAGE SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

Grade 1

Aiken, James
Bressette, Michelle
Bullis, Michael
Gerchwindner, Donna
Kuhn, Kimberly
Safford, Jodi
Vaine, Theodore, III

Grade 2

Barnes, Dean
Holmes, Heather
Pratt, Michael
Walsh, Michael

Grade 3

Bressette, Tina
Duguie, Barry
Evans, Tammy
McDonough, Kismet
Partridge, Tammy
Sampson, Richard
Vaine, Tammy

Annual Report

of the

Croydon School District

July 1, 1972
to
June 30, 1973

EXECUTIVE ORGANIZATION

CROYDON SCHOOL BOARD

GERALD GROSS, Chairman	Term expires 1974
AGNES MacKENZIE	Term expires 1975
DOROTHY BALLOU	Term expires 1976

SUPERVISORY UNION #43 OFFICERS

JOHN LEE, Chairman	Newport
FARRELL QUINLAN	Sunapee
ADA SHULL, Secretary	Kearsarge
SALLY ELDREDGE, Treasurer	Newport

OFFICERS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Moderators	Donald Chase
Clerk	Willis Ballou, Sr.
Treasurer	Willis Ballou, Sr.
Auditor	Willis Ballou, Sr. Beatrice Smith

ADMINISTRATION

Superintendent of Schools	Gordon B. Flint
Assistant Superintendent of Schools	John H. Sokol
Teacher Consultant	Alphonse J. Soucy
Assistant for Business Affairs	David C. Houle
Clerk	Ines Ferriter
School Nurse	June F. Buck

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DISTRICT TREASURER

June 1, 1972 — June 30, 1973

Cash on Hand July 1, 1972 (Treasurer's Bank Balance)		\$ 1,818.59
Received from Selectmen (Current Appropriation)	\$ 58,122.88	
Received from Selectmen (Balance of Previous Appropriations)	4,268.79	
Revenue from State Sources	1,361.07	
Revenue from Federal Sources	67.86	
Received from Incentive Aid Newport School District	442.92	
Received from All Other Sources	88.13	
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Total Receipts		64,351.65
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Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year		\$ 66,170.24
Less School Board Orders Paid		61,992.44
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Balance on Hand June 30, 1973 (Treasurer's Bank Balance)		\$ 4,177.80
June 30, 1973		

WILLIS H. BALLOU, SR.

District Treasurer

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the School District of Croydon of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1973, and find them correct in all respects.

July 21, 1973

BEATRICE SMITH

Auditor

FINANCIAL REPORT
OF THE CROYDON SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR ACCOUNT

For the Year Ending June 30, 1973

RECEIPTS

Revenue From Local Sources

Received from Current Appro.	\$ 58,122.88	
Received from Balance Due on Previous Appropriation	4,268.79	
Other Revenue from Local Sources	88.13	
		\$ 62,479.80

Revenue from State Sources

Sweepstake	1,361.07	1,361.07
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Revenue from Federal Sources

Special Milk Program	67.86	67.86
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**Amounts Received from Other
School Districts in State**

Incentive Aid from Newport	442.92	442.92
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Total Receipts from All Sources	\$ 64,351.65	
Cash on Hand at Beginning of Year, July 1, 1972	1,818.59	

Grand Total Net Receipts	\$ 66,170.24	
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EXPENDITURES

Administration

Salaries of District Officers:		\$ 405.00
Dorothy Ballou, School Board	\$ 75.00	
Gerald Gross, School Board	75.00	
Agnes MacKenzie, School Board	75.00	
Donald Chase, Moderator	15.00	
Willis H. Ballou, Sr., Moderator	15.00	
Willis H. Ballou, Sr., Clerk	15.00	

Willis H. Ballou, Sr., Treasurer	125.00	
Beatrice Smith, Auditor	10.00	
Contracted Services:		32.00
Willis H. Ballou, Sr., Census	32.00	
Other Expenses:		157.40
Argus-Champion	50.45	
Willis H. Ballou, Sr.	1.10	
Citizens National Bank	29.85	
N. H. School Board Assoc. Dues	75.00	
Treasurer, State of N. H.	1.00	

Instruction

Salaries of Teachers:		6,925.00
Rosemary B. C. Aldrich	6,900.00	
Ettabelle Lewis	10.00	
Lois Howes	15.00	
Salaries of Other Instructional Staff:		1,755.00
Lois Howes	1,755.00	
Textbooks		166.01
The Economy Company	115.84	
Houghton Mifflin	4.85	
McGraw-Hill Book Co.	45.32	
School Libraries and Audio-Visual Materials:		100.41
Ebsco Subscription Services	38.00	
Economy Company	55.25	
Milliken Publishing	7.16	
Teaching Supplies:		437.23
American Education Publications	14.00	
Dedsa Association of Hopkinton	108.70	
Economy Company	50.76	
J. L. Hammett Co.	29.20	
Houghton Mifflin	1.56	
Jenn Publications	22.20	
Mainco School Supply	144.67	
Milliken Publishing Co.	7.16	
Modern Curriculum Press	30.68	
N. H. Audio-Vue, Inc.	28.30	
Contracted Services		20.00
Regional Center for Educational Training	20.00	

Health Services

Salary for Health Services:		275.00
June F. Buck, School Nurse	275.00	

Pupil Transportation

Salary for Pupil Transportation:		2,520.00
Harry Newcomb	2,520.00	
Supplies—Gasoline:		710.10
Town of Croydon	710.10	
Contracted Services:		3,669.32
Ryder Truck Rental, Inc.	3,669.32	
Other Expenses:		29.20
Family Doctor Associates	2.00	
Lois Howes, Transportation	27.20	

Operation of Plant

Salary of Janitor:		924.00
Stuart Sandreuter	924.00	
Supplies, Except Utilities:		87.24
W. E. Aubuchon	10.25	
Ben Franklin	3.85	
Central Paper Products	38.46	
Eagle Flag Co.	21.30	
Fuller Brush Co.	7.44	
Hillyard Sales Company	2.70	
Martin Hardware	3.24	
Heat for Buildings:		396.59
Goodrich Oil	396.59	
Utilities, Except Heat:		331.98
New England Telephone	91.41	
Public Service Co. of N. H.	240.57	

Maintenance of Plant

Repairs to Buildings:		268.84
W. E. Aubuchon	12.70	
Heath & Field	27.00	
Martin Hardware	1.16	
L. L. Ransom & Son	32.23	
Rowe's Plumbing & Heating	11.50	
John A. Wirkkala	184.25	

Fixed Charges

School District Contribution to Employee Retirement:		724.53
Teachers Retirement System	363.88	
FICA (Social Security)		88.00
Insurance:		
Gauthier & Woodard	78.00	
McCrillis & Eldredge, Inc.	10.00	
Other Fixed Charges:		100.10
NH/VT Hospitalization Service	100.10	

School Lunch and Special Milk Program

Expenditures and Transfers of Monies		67.86
Federal Monies	67.86*	

Capital Outlay

Equipment		50.00
N. H. Audio-View	50.00	

Outgoing Transfer Accounts

Expenditures to Other School Districts:		40,669.58
Tuition:		
Bressette, Ricky	Grade 12	797.00
Bridgeo, Michael	Grade 12	797.00
Chamberlain, Carmen	Grade 12	797.00
Vaine, Margaret	Grade 12	797.00
		left
Brown, John	Grade 11	88.60
Bublat, Ronald	Grade 11	797.00
Curtis, Evelyn	Grade 11	797.00
		left
Davidson, Larry	Grade 11	203.32
McIntosh, Geoffrey	Grade 11	797.00
Moulton, Lisa	Grade 11	797.00
Powell, Joanne	Grade 11	797.00
Smith, Barney	Grade 11	797.00
Freak, Jeffrey	Grade 10	797.00
Kees, Deborah	Grade 10	797.00
Lurvey, Amber	Grade 10	797.00
Moulton, Rosalie	Grade 10	797.00
Newcomb, Robert	Grade 10	797.00

McGuire, Patrick	Grade 10	797.00	
Pellerin, Jules	Grade 10	797.00	
Curtis, Nancy	Grade 9	797.00	
Hurd, Robert	Grade 9	797.00	
McGuire, Tammy	Grade 9	797.00	
Newcomb, James	Grade 9	797.00	
Patridge, Edward	Grade 9	797.00	
Pellerin, Michelle	Grade 9	797.00	
Bressette, Ronald	Grade 8	690.00	
Brown, Nancy	Grade 8	690.00	
Curtis, Terry	Grade 8	690.00	
Davidson, Daniel	Grade 8	690.00	
Fowler, Michael	Grade 8	168.52	left 11/7/72 entered 10/24/72
Hurd, Debbie	Grade 8	559.78	
McIntosh, Matthew	Grade 8	690.00	
Moulton, Dale	Grade 8	690.00	
Newcomb, Joseph	Grade 8	690.00	
Patridge, Brenda	Grade 8	690.00	
Welch, Sherri	Grade 8	690.00	
Ballard, Lois	Grade 7	690.00	
Brown, Donna	Grade 7	690.00	
Freak, Valerie	Grade 7	690.00	
Gross, Carol	Grade 7	690.00	
Lewis, Rebecca	Grade 7	690.00	
McGuire, Darlene	Grade 7	690.00	
Moore, Edna	Grade 7	690.00	
Partlow, Ricky	Grade 7	107.24	left 10/12/72
Phillips, John	Grade 7	690.00	
Truell, Allen	Grade 7	690.00	
Whipple, Susan	Grade 7	690.00	
Davidson, Ann	Grade 6	130.56	left 11/10/72
Durgin, Daniel	Grade 6	490.00	
Freak, Sara	Grade 6	490.00	
Hurd, Laura	Grade 6	490.00	
Moore, Mark	Grade 6	490.00	
Newcomb, Raymond	Grade 6	490.00	
Whipple, Claudia	Grade 6	490.00	
DeMayo, Laurie	Grade 5	490.00	
Dugie, Christine	Grade 5	490.00	

Pellerin, Chris	Grade 5	490.00	
Truell, Kieth	Grade 5	490.00	
Fowler, Kimberly	Grade 4	490.00	
Kellogg, Clifford	Grade 4	490.00	
McGuire, Larry	Grade 4	490.00	
Newcomb, Richard	Grade 4	490.00	
			left
Therrien, Donald	Grade 4	130.56	11/14/72
Whipple, Patricia	Grade 4	490.00	
Macie, Norman	Special Class	490.00	
District Share of Supervisory Union Expenses:			1,082.05
#Superintendent's Salary	\$	261.25	
**Assistant Superintendent's Salary		180.63	
***Teacher Consultant's Salary		161.13	
Union Personnel & Expenses		479.04	
Total Net Expenditures For All Purposes		\$	61,922.44
Cash on Hand at End of Year, June 30, 1973			4,177.80
Grand Total Net Expenditures			\$ 66,170.24

*In and out item

\$2,500.00—State Share; \$10,230.55—Kearsarge; \$6,813.40—Newport; \$2,811.05—Sunapee; \$783.75—Goshen-Lempster.

** \$2,190.00—State Share; \$7,073.28—Kearsarge; \$4,710.70—Newport; \$1,943.51—Sunapee; \$541.88—Goshen-Lempster

*** \$2,190.00—State Share; \$6,309.66—Kearsarge; \$4,202.14—Newport; \$1,733.69—Sunapee; \$161.13—Goshen-Lempster.

CROYDON SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

	1973-74	1974-75
Administration:		
Salaries, District Officers	\$ 390.00	\$ 405.00
Contracted Services	32.00	32.00
Other Expenses	125.00	150.00
Instruction:		
Salary of Teacher & Substitutes	7,300.00	7,876.00
Salary of Teacher Aide	2,250.00	2,160.00
Textbooks	120.00	120.00
Library & Audiovisual Materials	100.00	100.00
Teaching Supplies	250.00	300.00
Health Services:	375.00	745.00
Pupil Transportation:	6,912.00	9,202.00
Operation of Plant:		
Salary of Janitor	1,100.00	1,188.00
Supplies	115.00	115.00
Heat	400.00	550.00
Utilities	350.00	400.00
Maintenance of Plant:	500.00	500.00
Fixed Charges:		
Retirement & Social Security	802.00	893.00
Insurance	106.00	506.00
Health Insurance	100.00	100.00
Capital Outlay:		
Equipment	50.00	50.00
Outgoing Transfer Accounts:		
Tuition: High School (Grades 9-12)	25,520.00	31,680.00
Junior High (Grades 7-8)	13,320.00	10,140.00
Elementary (Grades 4-6)	9,010.00	12,320.00
Share of Supervisory Union Expenses	1,337.51	1,292.10
Tuition for Handicapped		740.00
	\$70,564.51	\$81,564.10

INCOME

	1973-74 Actual	1974-75 Estimate
Balance:	\$ 4,177.80	\$ 1,500.00
Revenue from State Sources:		
Sweepstakes	1,229.07	956.00
Incentive Aid (A R E A)	458.68	443.00
Foster Children	200.00	
Total Income:	<u>\$ 6,065.55</u>	<u>\$ 2,899.00</u>
District Appropriation	64,498.96	78,665.10
Total Appropriation	<u>\$70,564.51</u>	<u>\$81,564.10</u>

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Citizens of Croydon:

The present enrollment in Grades 1 - 3 is 19. A similar number is anticipated next year. Eight students in Grades 1 - 3 are attending school in Newport with the tuition charge paid by the parents.

Mrs. Rosemary Aldrich is again teaching at the Village School and is assisted by Mrs. Donna Leslie as Teacher's Aide. Mrs. Aldrich's background in art is very apparent in terms of the artistic performance of the students as demonstrated within the classroom.

No special repair projects were conducted this year other than the routine maintenance.

Croydon's Per Pupil Cost for 1972-73 was \$833.97 as compared to the State Average of \$674.

We continue to fail to meet the Minimum Standard for Elementary Schools prescribed by the State Board of Education in the area of Music, Art, Guidance, Librarian, and Physical Education. It is difficult to see how a one-room school can provide some of these specialized services at a realistic cost when there are only 19-20 students involved.

Croydon continues to participate in the Special Milk Program. By action of the 1973 Legislature, RSA 189:11a requires that each school district shall make a nutritious lunch available to every student. Presently there are no feeding facilities available within the Village School. This newly enacted state statute is in line with the National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966. There must be compliance within a reasonable time.

Respectfully submitted,
GORDON B. FLINT
Superintendent of Schools

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said District on the 7th day of March 1974 at 7:30 p. m. to act upon the Articles set forth in this Warrant—not covering the election of District Officers. Said Officers will be elected on the 5th day of March 1974 at Town Meeting in said Town Hall and voting will be by official ballot and checklists.

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 an Auditor for the ensuing year. (Articles 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 will be acted upon at Town Meeting.)

Article 6. To hear reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 7. To see what sum of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District.

Article 8. To see if the District will authorize the School Board to negotiate the school bus lease which expires June 30, 1975.

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

Given under our hands at said Croydon this twelfth day of February 1974.

GERALD GROSS
DOROTHY BALLOU
AGNES MacKENZIE
Croydon School Board

A True Copy—Attest:
GERALD GROSS
DOROTHY BALLOU
AGNES MacKENZIE
Croydon School Board

BIRTHS

Registered in the Town of Croydon for the year ending December 31, 1973

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Birthplace of Mother	Birthplace of Father
Feb. 16	New London	Jennifer Anne Lammert	F	Peter R. Lammert	Anne Roundy	Croydon	La.	Mass.
May 13	Newport	Houston William Thorson	M	William C. Thorson	Marilyn C. Wright	Croydon	N. H.	Mass.
June 1	Newport	Rene Dawn Wilcox	F	Richard D. Wilcox, Jr.	Kathy Armstrong	Croydon	N. H.	N. H.
June 25	New London	Sarah Bree Howes	F	Joseph P. Howes	Lois M. Kalban	Croydon	N. Y.	Hawaii
Sept. 10	Newport	Thomas Andrew Aiken	M	Robert T. Aiken	Lois A. Swenson	Croydon	N. H.	N. H.
Dec. 15	Newport	Daniel Joseph Walsh	M	William P. Walsh	Joyce E. Pashkowsky	Croydon	N. J.	N. J.

MARRIAGES

Registered in the Town of Croydon for the year ending December 31, 1973

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of Each at Time of Marriage	Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Names of Parents	Name, Residence and Official Station of Persons by Whom Married
Aug. 18	Plainfield	Leon E. Hertzler Joanne M. L. Powell	White River Jct. Croydon	10-19-49 Penn. 5-21-55 N. H.		Elmer Hertzler Mabel Benner Albon Powell Helen Downing	Rev. Warren Biebel Plainfield, N. H.
Aug. 25	Croydon	Howard W. Avery Robertia S. Smith	Newport Croydon	1-29-51 N. H. 2- 1-53 Conn.		Herbert Avery, Sr. Eva Hill Robert Smith Beatrice Hiltz	Arthur W. Kennan Clergyman Unity, N. H.
Sept. 15	Newport	Ricky L. Welch Cathy J. Hebert	Croydon Newport	8-16-55 N. H. 9-20-53 N. H.		Alden Welch Betty Verboncover Maurice Hebert Priscilla DeMars	Richard A. Wallace Clergyman Newport, N. H.
Oct. 26	Unity	Ricky J. Bressette Evelyn M. Curtis	Croydon Croydon	2-10-54 Mass. 3-30-56 Maine		Ralph Bressette Thelma Fortune Harold Curtis Ethel Tuttle	Arthur W. Kennan Clergyman Unity, N. H.
Dec. 1	Croydon	Thomas J. Kuhn Isabelle M. Eruballa	Croydon Croydon	1-18-49 Conn. 1-19-48 France		Charles Kuhn, Sr. Elsie Smith Armand Eruballa Annie Marcet	Arthur W. Kennan Clergyman Unity, N. H.

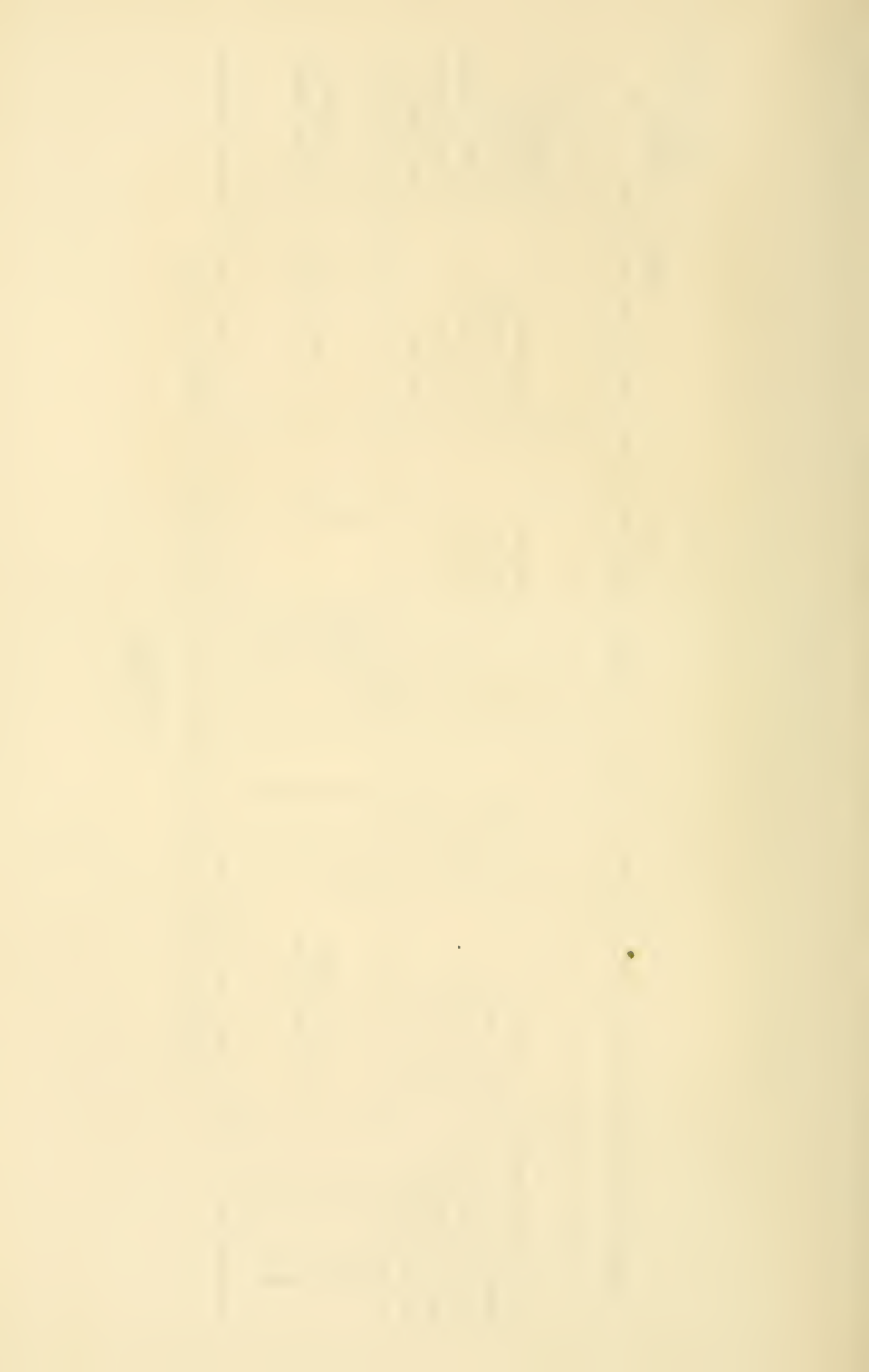
DEATHS

Registered in the Town of Croydon for the year ending December 31, 1973

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age	Place of Birth	Sex	Color	Marital Status			Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
							Single,	Married	Widowed			
Jan. 5	Croydon	Wilfrid H. Dent	90	England	M	W	M	M	Farm	Peter Dent	Annie Hardy	
Feb. 8	White River Jct., Vt.	Alfred N. Olivier	77	Hartford, Vt.	M	W	M	M	Retired Dyer	John Olivier	Louise LaRocque	
Mar. 6	New London	Jennie A. Fortune	86	Mass.	F	W	W	W	Housewife	Louis Bergeron	Josephine Crouette	
May 20	York, Me.	Louise O. Allen	82	Croydon	F	W	W	W	Housewife	Alvaro Kennedy	Etta Barton	
Aug. 17	New London	Fred L. Currier	41	Unity	M	W	M	M	Carpenter	Fred Currier, Sr.	Josephine Spaulding	

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

RITA D. GROSS
Town Clerk





OLD CROYDON FLAT SCHOOL

THE OLD SCHOOL HOUSE

The old school house
across the way,
if it could only speak
and say,
 all of its thoughts.

Behind locked doors
and shutters,
are memories to be
muttered,
 to curious ears like mine.

How proud and symbolic
it stands
upon its mighty hill
of sand;
 so scholarly it seems.

As if it could care less,
of its idle days and emptiness,
 as the years go by.

For a lesson it does teach,
to all who look and reach
 for its answer.

The symbol for which
it stands,
for the country and all man,
 is—quest for knowledge!

Study hard and learn all you can,
use your God given
talents, and,
 you'll never be sorry.

That's what I think it
would say,
The old school house
across the way,
 if it could speak.

Dorothy Allen



SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

D. Ballou, G. Flint, A. MacKenzie, G. Gross, D. Houle



SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT STUDY COMMITTEE

W. Ballou, Jr., W. Walsh, J. Pellerin, D. Leslie, M. Lewis, M. Newcomb



VIEW OF CROYDON PEAK

CROYDON PEAK FIRE TOWER

The Board of Selectmen felt that it would be appropriate to choose as the front cover of The Annual Town Reports a picture of the Fire Tower that has been a landmark for so many years.

As you are all aware, the State of New Hampshire has chosen to no longer maintain the Peak Fire Tower, along with other Fire Towers, throughout the State. The State feels that the Airplane can do the job of forest fire surveillance better and cheaper than the manned Towers.

Many of the Town's residents, (The Board of Selectmen included) feel that this was not a wise choice. We feel that the Airplane is at the complete dictate of the weather, is more costly, and (because the pilot is covering so much territory) would not have the intimate knowledge of the immediate area that a person in the tower would have. This knowledge enables the tower personnel to pinpoint fires faster and with more accuracy. Many times, the tower personnel have even been able to reach these fires before the fire personnel.

It is with a feeling of regret that we see this come to pass. It was very reassuring to look up at the Tower and know that a neighbor and friend who had a personal interest in our Town was watching, in any weather.

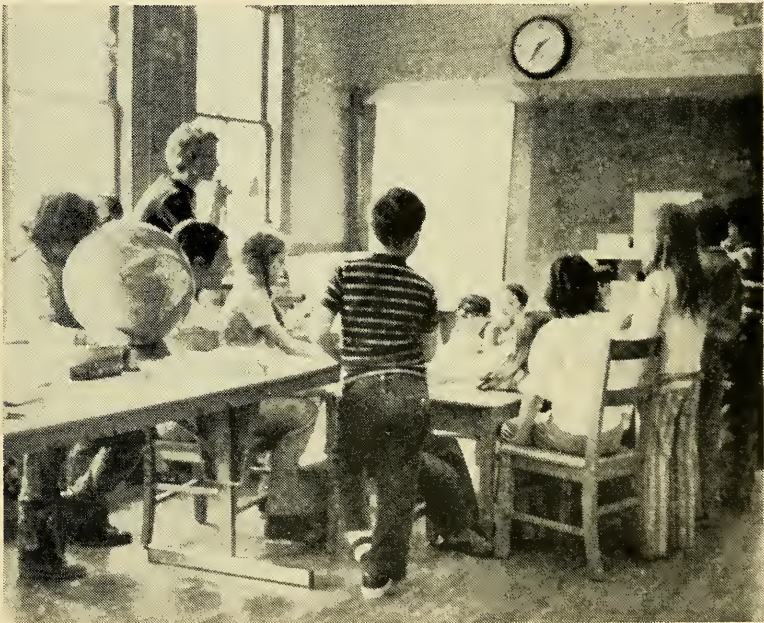


LAST LOOK

Our Attendant, George Gross with wife, Dora



TWO CROYDON LANDMARKS
Ruel Durkee grave with Croydon Peak in background



PRESENT VILLAGE SCHOOL



(Insert page for 1973 Town Report)

PLANNING BOARD REPORT

This our third year, serving the Town of Croydon has been a busy one. We have held frequent, lengthy meetings amending, refining and revising our subdivision regulations. These changes have been approved, by the people of Croydon, at three public hearings in 1973.

Five minor subdivisions were processed by the Board.

A field trip was undertaken during the aftermath of last July's severe flooding to assess possible downstream drainage problems related to existing and potential subdivision sites. Photographic records were made of effected areas.

Croydon joined the Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council this year and appointed two members of the Planning Board, David Shackett and William Walsh, to the board of directors of that body. David Shackett has been elected by the Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council to its Executive Committee.

The Council's main priority for the member towns is helping us to solve the problems concerning solid waste disposal. The Council has engaged an engineering firm to research the problem and make recommendations towards its solution.

The Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council has helped us to prepare a questionnaire to determine the townspeoples' desires for the future of Croydon. The results of this questionnaire will be used in the construction of a Master Plan of our town.

The Board reminds you that updated subdivision regulations are available at the office of the Town Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

William Walsh, Chairman
Willis Ballou, Jr., Secretary
Robert Burnside
Harry Newcomb
David Shackett

Croydon Planning Board

