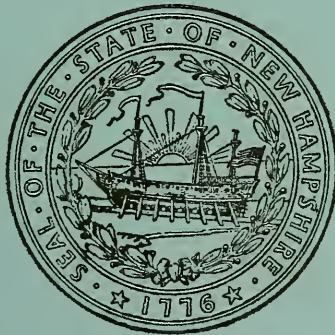


ANNUAL REPORT
of the
Town of Grafton
New Hampshire



For the Fiscal Year Ending
December 31, 1954

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Selectmen and other Town Officers

OF THE

TOWN of GRAFTON

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Together with the Reports of the Road
Agent and the School District,
also the Vital Statistics

FOR THE

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1954

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Town Officers

TOWN CLERK Clifton D. Davis

TREASURER Bernice B. Brown

SELECTMEN

C. Lawrence Gove Clinton S. Williams

A. Stuart Gage

TAX COLLECTOR Grover W. Braley

SUPERVISORS OF CHECK LIST

Roger E. Martin Stanley W. Phillips

Walter C. Morse

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

William Matthews Morris F. Braley

A. Stuart Gage

AUDITORS

Elsie F. Williams Lulu H. Dean

CONSTABLES

Ephraim S. Hunt Fred Littlefield

FOREST FIRE WARDEN C. Lawrence Gove

DEPUTY FIRE WARDENS

Ephraim S. Hunt A. Stuart Gage

Richard F. Williams

HEALTH OFFICER Wendell S. Brown

ROAD AGENT Charles N. Hogue

MODERATOR A. Stuart Gage

REPRESENTATIVE Elsie F. Williams

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Clifton D. Davis Lulu M. Bennett

Lulu H. Dean

FIRE COMMISSIONERS

Donald S. Fowler Clifton D. Davis

A. Stuart Gage

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT Leslie E. Seamans

Town Warrant

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

L. S.

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Grafton on Tuesday, the 8th day of March, next at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.
3. To hear the report of the Budget Committee and act thereon.
4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to make short term loans in anticipation of taxes.
5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of maintaining Highways and Bridges, including the amount of one-fourth of one per cent
6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purpose of cutting bushes.
7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to administer or dispose of any real estate acquired by Tax Collector's deed.
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$728.40 to continue street lighting.
9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 for tractors and grader repairs.

10: To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for the care of the Common at Grafton Center.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$765.19 and thereby receive \$5,101.27 from the State for Town Road Aid.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$400.00 for the control of White Pine Blister Rust in cooperation with the Forestry and Recreation Department for the current year.

13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$50.00 for the observance of Old Home Day.

14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for purchase of culverts.

15 Shall the provisions of Chapter 171-A of the Revised Laws relative to playing games of Beano be adopted in this town?

16. To see if the Town will vote to accept \$100.00 as a Trust Fund from Eva L. Heath, the income to be used for the care of the Robert H. Heath cemetery lot in the Grafton Center Cemetery.

17. To take any vote or transact any further business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 14th day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-five.


C. LAWRENCE GOVE,
CLINTON S. WILLIAMS,
A. STUART GAGE,

Selectmen of Grafton

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

C. LAWRENCE GOVE,
CLINTON S. WILLIAMS,
A. STUART GAGE,

Selectmen of Grafton



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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1954.

Title of Appropriation	Appro.	Receipts	Available Total	Expend.	Bal.	Over- draft
Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,100.00	\$	\$1,100.00	\$ 992.00	\$ 108.00	
Town Officers' Expense	550.00		550.00	656.99		\$106.99
Election and Registration	330.00		330.00	306.85	23.15	
Auto Permits	118.00		118.00	130.00		12.00
Town Hall and Observation Post	300.00	275.00	575.00	582.94		7.94
Police Department	100.00		100.00	13.00	87.00	
Fire Department	175.00		175.00	178.75		3.75
Forest Fires	125.00	6.54	131.54	13.49	118.05	
Blister Rust	400.00	4.48	404.48	400.00	4.48	
Health Department	20.00		20.00	10.00	10.00	
Vital Statistics	20.00		20.00	24.50		4.50
Cutting Bushes	400.00		400.00	352.00	48.00	
Town Highway Maintenance	2,229.48	3,503.07	5,732.55	5,712.99	19.56	
Culverts	400.00	134.99	534.99	341.76	193.23	
Tractor Repairs	600.00		600.00	250.49	349.51	
General Expense Highway Dept.	150.00		150.00	102.90	47.10	
Street Lighting	725.00		725.00	728.40		3.40
Library	150.00	40.00	190.00	190.00		
Old Age Assistance	3,500.00		3,500.00	2,685.75	814.25	
Town Poor	800.00	4.95	804.95	1,003.97		199.02
Memorial Day	15.00		15.00	20.50		5.50

New Cemetery	300.00	304.80	604.80	9.00	595.80
Old Home Day	50.00		50.00	50.00	
Common	25.00		25.00	25.00	
Cemeteries	230.00		230.00	248.00	18.00
Interest	49.00		49.00	63.77	14.77
Kilton Pond Dam		46.52	46.52	61.60	15.08
Town Road Aid	798.23		798.23	798.23	
Town Dump	25.00		25.00	25.00	
County Tax	1,482.54		1,482.54	1,482.54	
Payment on Principal of Debt	950.00		950.00	950.00	
	<u>\$16,117.25</u>	<u>\$4,320.35</u>	<u>\$20,437.60</u>	<u>\$18,410.42</u>	<u>\$2,418.13</u>
TOTAL,					<u>\$390.95</u>

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF

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

Sources of Revenue	Estimated Previous Year 1954	Actual Previous Year 1954	Estimated Ensuing Year 1955
From State :			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 94.45	\$ 140.00	\$ 120.00
Railroad Tax	469.44	448.70	400.00
Savings Bank Tax	121.06	67.50	65.00
Building and Loan Assoc. Tax Class 5	3,370.52	3,370.52	3,370.52
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber	1,684.50	1,597.55	1,597.55
For Fighting Forest Fires		6.54	40.00
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	400.00	722.27	
From Local Sources Except Taxes :			
Dog Licenses	250.00	218.00	200.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	15.00	14.50	10.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	25.00	83.61	30.00
Highway Dept., incl. rental of equipment	75.00	81.75	40.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,150.00	1,513.67	1,350.00
Sale of Town Property		215.00	50.00
Cash Surplus	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
From Local Taxes Other than Property Taxes :			
Poll Taxes—Regular at \$2	400.00	406.00	400.00
Total Revenues from All Sources Except Property Taxes	\$10,054.97	\$10,885.61	\$9,673.07
Amt. to be Raised by Prop. Taxes			7,355.02
TOTAL REVENUES			\$17,028.09

GRAFTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

During Year, January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955.

Compared with

Expenses of the Previous Year, January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954.

Purposes of Expenditures	Appro. Previous Year 1954	Actual Expend. Prev. Yr. 1954	Appros. Rec'm by Bud. Com. 1955
CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:			
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 1,100.00	\$ 992.00	\$ 1,100.00
Town Officers' Expenses	550.00	656.99	650.00
Election and Registration Expenses	330.00	306.85	110.00
Auto Permits	118.00	130.00	130.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Bldgs.	300.00	582.94	175.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	100.00	13.00	100.00
Fire Department	300.00	192.24	300.00
\$175.00 Forest Fire \$125.00.			
Blister Rust and Care of Trees	400.00	400.00	400.00
Health:			
Health Dept., Including Hospitals	20.00	10.00	20.00
Vital Statistics	20.00	24.50	25.00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	25.00	25.00	50.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Culverts	400.00	341.76	400.00
Town Maintenance	5,600.00	5,712.99	5,600.00
Town Maintenance—Tractor and Grader Repairs	600.00	250.49	600.00
Street Lighting	725.00	728.40	728.40
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	150.00	102.90	150.00
Town Road Aid	798.23	798.23	765.19
Bushes	400.00	352.00	400.00
Libraries	150.00	190.00	175.00
Public Welfare:			
Town Poor	800.00	1,003.97	800.00
Old Age Assistance	3,500.00	2,685.75	3,000.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day and Veterans' Assoc.	15.00	20.50	
Old Home Day	50.00	50.00	50.00

(Expenses carried to page 11)

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF

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

Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1954	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1954	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1955	

GRAFTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

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

and with

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

Purposes of Expenditures	Appro. Previous Year 1954	Actual Expend. Prev. Yr. 1954	Appros. Rec'm by Bud. Com. 1955
(Expenses brought from page 9)			
Recreation:			
Parks and Playgrounds	25.00	25.00	25.00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	530.00	257.00	275.00
Interest:			
On Temporary Loans	6.00	36.46	40.00
On Long Term Notes	43.00	27.31	9.50
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
Long Term Notes	950.00	950.00	950.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$18,005.23	\$16,866.26	\$17,028.09

LESTER W. BARNEY
 MORRIS F. BRALEY
 GROVER W. BRALEY
 C. LAWRENCE GOVE
 A. STUART GAGE

Budget Committee

Financial Report

of the

TOWN OF GRAFTON

IN GRAFTON COUNTY

for the

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1954

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in
in this report was taken from official records and is
complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.
December 31, 1954.

C. LAWRENCE GOVE
CLINTON S. WILLIAMS
A. STUART GAGE

Selectmen

BERNICE BROWN

Treasurer

Town of Grafton, N. H.	Balance
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Assets

Cash:	
In hands of treasurer	\$12,188.16
In hands of officials	1.58
	\$12,189.74
Accounts Due to the Town:	
Due from the State:	
Bounties	324.50
Unredeemed Taxes: (from tax sale on account of)	
(a) Levy of 1954	\$789.32
(b) Levy of 1953	279.69
	1,069.01
Uncollected Taxes:	
(a) Levy of 1954	\$555.61
(b) Levy of 1953	11.32
(c) Levy of 1952	18.27
(d) Previous Years	60.00
(e) State Head Taxes—Levy of 1954	90.00
	735.20
	\$14,318.45
Total Assets	\$14,318.45
	\$14,318.45
Net Surplus, December 31, 1953	\$4,148.59
Net Surplus, December 31, 1954	6,569.15
Increase of Surplus	2,420.56

Sheet

December 31, 1954

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by the Town:

New Cemetery	\$ 595.80	
Due to State:		
(a) State Head Taxes—1954		
(Uncollected \$90) (Collected—not remitted to State Treas. \$113.50)	203.50	
Due to School Districts:		
Balance of Appropriation	6,000.00	
	<u> </u>	\$6,799.30
Long Term Notes Outstanding:		
National State Capital Bank (Truck)		950.00
		<u> </u>
Total Liabilities		\$7,749.30
Excess of assets over liabilities (Surplus)		\$6,569.15
		<u> </u>
Grand Total		\$14,318.45

Town of Grafton, N. H. Receipts and

Receipts

CURRENT REVENUE

From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes, 1954	\$25,430.25
Poll Taxes, 1954	358.00
Yield Taxes, 1954	673.26
State Head Taxes at \$5, 1954	1,105.00

Total Current Year's Taxes Collected and remitted	\$27,566.51
Property Taxes and Yield Taxes, Previous Years	137.84
Poll Taxes, Previous Years, Reg. at \$2	48.00
State Head Taxes at \$5, Previous yrs.	85.00
Interest received on Taxes	83.61
Penalties on State Head Taxes	20.00
Tax sales redeemed	499.32

From State:

For Class V Highway maintenance	\$3,370.52
Interest and dividend tax	140.00
Railroad Tax	448.70
Savings Bank Tax and Building and Loan Association Tax	67.50
Reimbursement a/c Corbin Park Fire	1,066.71
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of growing wood and timber	400.68
Fighting forest fires	6.54
Bounties	162.00
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Asst.	722.27
	6,384.92

From County:

For support of poor and aid furnished soldiers	4.95
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Receipts carried to page 18.)

Payments December 31, 1954

Payments

CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES

General Government:

Town officers's salaries	\$992.00	
Town officer's expenses	656.99	
Election and registration expenses	306.85	
Auto permits	130.00	
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	582.94	
	—————	\$2,668.78

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	\$13.00	
Fire department, including forest fires	192.24	
Blister Rust and Care of Trees	400.00	
Bounties	324.50	
	—————	929.74

Health:

Health department	\$10.00	
Vital statistics	24.50	
Town dumps	25.00	
	—————	59.50

Highways and Bridges:

Cutting bushes	352.00
Town Road Aid	798.23

Town Maintenance:

Summer—	\$3,844.80	
Winter—	\$1,868.19	
	—————	5,712.99
Street lighting	728.40	
General expenses of Highway Dept.	102.90	
Tractor repairs	250.49	
	—————	\$7,945.01

(Payments carried to page 19.)

Town of Grafton, N. H. Receipts and

(Receipts carried from page 16.)

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:	
Dog licenses	\$ 218.00
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	14.50
Rent of town property	81.75
Registration of motor vehicles,	
1953 Permits	23.75
1954 Permits	1,489.92
	1,827.92
 Total Current Revenue Receipts	 \$36,658.07
Receipts Other than Current Revenue:	
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	\$4,963.54
Refunds	241.12
Gifts	50.00
Sale of town property	190.00
Cemetery Lot	25.00
Cash bond acct. Yield Tax	6.15
	5,475.81
 Total Receipts Other than Current Rev.	 5,475.81
 Total Receipts from All Sources	 42,133.88
Cash on hand January 1, 1954	12,879.64
	\$55,013.52
 Grand Total	 \$55,013.52

Payments December 31, 1954

(Payments carried from page 17.)

Libraries	190.00
Public Welfare:	
Old age assistance	2,685.75
Town poor	1,003.97
	3,689.72
Patriotic Purposes:	
Memorial Day	\$20.50
Old Home Day	50.00
	\$70.50
Recreation:	
Parks	25.00
Public Service Enterprises:	
Cemeteries	257.00
Unclassified:	
Paid Collector, acct. Head Taxes	\$ 35.70
Culverts	341.76
Taxes bought by town	789.32
Discounts, abatements and refunds	101.00
Yield Tax paid Collector	3.94
Kilton Pond Dam	61.60
	1,333.32
	\$17,168.57
Total Current Maintenance Expenses	
Interest:	
Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	\$36.46
Paid on long term notes	27.31
	63.77
Total Interest Payments	
Indebtedness:	
Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	\$4,963.54

(Payments carried to page 21.)

Payments December 31, 1954

(Payments brought from page 19.)	
Payments on long term notes	950.00
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Total Indebtedness Payments	5,913.54
Payments to Other Govern- mental Divisions:	
State Head Taxes paid	
State Treas. (1954 taxes)	\$882.50
State Treas. (Prev. years)	282.50
	<hr style="width: 100px; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$1,165.00
Taxes paid to County	1,482.54
Payments to School Districts:	
1953 tax	\$7,982.26
1954 tax	9,049.68
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Total Payments to Other Gov. Divisions	19,679.48
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Total Payments for all Purposes	\$42,825.36
Cash on hand December 31, 1954	12,188.16
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Grand Total	\$55,013.52

Schedule of Town Property

DESCRIPTION	VALUE
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$1,500.00
Furniture and Equipment	105.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	4,750.00
Furniture and Equipment	200.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	1,075.00
Equipment	1,600.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	1,550.00
Equipment	11,000.00
Material and Supplies	300.00
Town Safe	50.00
Kilton Dam and Flowage	4,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	4,200.00
Equipment	780.00
New Cemetery	200.00

All Lands and Buildings Acquired Through Tax Collector's Deeds

Former Owner	Description	Value
Sargent, Geo. H.,	mining right on Banks land	\$ 25.00
Leach, Sarah Est.,	mining right on Banks land	25.00
Poor, Charles,	16 a. mining right near Jump-off so-called and 2 a. land adjoining Almon Barney's	25.00
Kenney and Kraft,	100 a. mining right on La Plant farm	25.00
Sargent, John G.,	35 a. Hazelton lot	70.00
Gallagher, Joseph T.,	15 a. Smith quarry right	25.00
Abbott, Dorothy,	7½ a. woodland	25.00
Leslie, William Heirs,	50 a. mining right on George Heath farm	25.00
Duhrels, Sophia,	340 a. mining right on Alvah Stevens land	50.00
Gaudette, Edward,	25 a. Nixon lot	50.00
Gaudette, Edward,	50 a. Hoyt swamp lot	100.00

Inventory of the Town of Grafton, April 1, 1954

Lands and Buildings		\$571,772.00
Electric Plants		32,332.00
Horses	27	1,675.00
Cows	70	5,825.00
Other Neat Stock	57	3,160.00
Sheep	31	380.00
Fowl	8280	10,200.00
Portable Mills	2	2,650.00
Wood and Lumber		48,500.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks, 13		1,640.00
Stock in Trade		20,250.00
Mills and Machinery		15,000.00
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Total Valuation before Exemptions		\$713,384.00
Less Soldiers' and Blind Exemptions		26,220.00
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Net Valuation on which tax rate is computed		\$687,164.00

Soldiers and Wives Exempt from Taxation

Aldrich, Edgar F., Jr.	\$1,000.00
Church, George	1,000.00
Dukette, Earl	1,000.00
Diamond, Alice	1,000.00
Finley, Phillip	1,000.00
Gleason, Archie L.	1,000.00
Gill, John	250.00
Hollenbeck, Charles	1,000.00
Hilyard, Theodore R.	1,000.00
Hogue, Nelson J.	1,000.00
Hogue, Charles N.	1,000.00
Howe, Florence L.	400.00
Jackson, Ralph J.	500.00
Smith, Evelyn	800.00
Lang, E. Stuart	1,000.00
Lyons, Louis J.	1,000.00
Morse, Edwin E.	1,000.00

Patterson, John J.	1,000.00
Pratt, William B.	1,000.00
Tucker, C. Everett	750.00
Price, Frank Heirs	520.00
Phillips, Stanley W.	1,000.00
Rounseville, A. H.	1,000.00
Rhodes, Wm. and Evelyn	2,000.00
Scales, Ruel B.	1,000.00
Watson, William and Mary	1,000.00
Welsh, Harold P.	1,000.00
Total	\$25,220.00

Blind

Lovering, James E.	1,000.00
Total Exemptions	\$26,220.00

Appropriations

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 1,100.00
Town Officers' Expense	550.00
Election and Registration	330.00
Auto Permits	118.00
Town Hall	300.00
Police Dept.	100.00
Fire Dept.	125.00
Forest Fires	175.00
Blister Rust	400.00
Health Dept.	20.00
Town Dump	25.00
Vital Statistics	20.00
Culverts	400.00
Town Road Aid	798.23
Town Highway Maintenance	5,600.00
Cutting Bushes	400.00
General Expense Highway Dept.	150.00
Tractor Repairs	600.00
Street Lighting	725.00

Libraries	150.00
Old Age Assistance	3,500.00
Town Poor	800.00
Memorial Day and Old Home Day	65.00
Common	25.00
Cemeteries	530.00
Interest on Temporary Loans	6.00
Long Term Note and Interest	993.00
County Tax	1,482.54
School Tax	15,049.68

Total Town and School Appropriations \$34,591.45

Less Estimated Revenue and Credits:

Interest and Dividend Tax	\$ 139.67	
Railroad Tax	469.44	
Savings Bank Tax	67.50	
Gas Tax	3,370.52	
Growing Wood and Timber	1,601.55	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,150.00	
Dog Licenses	250.00	
Business Licenses and Permits	15.00	
Rent of Town Property and Equipm't	75.00	
Interest on Taxes	25.00	
Cash Surplus	2,000.00	
Old Age Assistance Reimbursment	400.00	
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Total Revenue and Credits 25,027.77

Plus Overlay 809.30

Net amount to be raised by taxes \$25,837.07

Less Polls, 206 at \$2.00 412.00

Amount to be raised by Property Taxes
on which tax rate is to be figured \$25,425.07

Taxes Committed to Collector

Property Taxes \$25,425.07

Poll Taxes, 206 at \$2.00	412.00
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Total Taxes	\$25,837.07
Tax Rate \$3.70 per \$100.00	

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT FOR 1954

Dog Taxes:	
Males (75)	\$149.00
Females (15)	75.00
Kennel (1)	12.00
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	\$ 236.00
Less Town Clerk's Fees	18.20
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	\$ 217.80
Auto Permits	\$1,513.87
Town Officers' Filing	6.00
Bal. due Treasurer, 1953	2.09
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	1,521.96
	217.80
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Total Cash Receipts for year 1954	\$1,739.76
Respectfully submitted,	
CLIFTON D. DAVIS,	
Town Clerk	

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

Summary of Warrant, Property, Poll and Yield Taxes Levy of 1954

Taxes Committed to Collector:	
DR.	
Property Taxes	\$25,425.07
Poll Taxes	412.00
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Total Warrant	\$25,837.07

Yield Taxes		1,200.87
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes	42.18	
Poll Taxes	4.00	
Interest Collected	7.41	
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Total Debits		\$27,091.53

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Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$25,430.25	
Poll Taxes	358.00	
Yield Taxes	673.26	
Interest collected	7.41	
Abatements:		
Property	\$37.00	
Polls	30.00	
	<hr/>	67.00
Uncollected Taxes as per Col- lector's List:		
Poll Taxes	28.00	
Yield Taxes	527.61	
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Total Credits		\$27,091.53

Summary of Warrant of State Head Taxes**Levy of 1954**

DR.

State Head Taxes Committed
to Collector:

Original Warrant	\$1,225.00	
Added Taxes	15.00	
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Total Commitments		\$1,240.00
Penalties Collected		11.50
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Total Debits:		\$1,251.50

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$1,105.00	
Penalties	11.50	
Abatements	45.00	
Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's List	90.00	
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Total Credits		\$1,251.50

Uncollected Head Taxes for 1954

George Belloir	\$5.00	
Lennie Belloir	5.00	
Paid after Jan. 1, 1955	5.00	
Lloyd Church	5.00	
Paid after Jan. 1, 1955	5.00	
Paid after Jan. 1, 1955	5.00	
Verne Hines	5.00	
Velma Hines	5.00	
Albert Hill	5.00	
Cora Hill	5.00	
William Kecy	5.00	
Patrick O'Doherty	5.00	
Hermina O'Doherty	5.00	
Bessie Sturtevant	5.00	
Paid after Jan. 1, 1955	5.00	
Ada Sleeper	5.00	
Lee Sleeper	5.00	
Samuel Tuttle	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$90.00

Summary of Warrant

Property, Poll and Yield Taxes

Levy of 1953

DR.

Uncollected Taxes as of January 1, 1954:	
Property Taxes	\$ 2.10

Yield Taxes	133.48	
Poll Taxes	28.00	
		\$163.58
Interest collected during fiscal year		1.21
		\$164.79

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer during fiscal
year ending Dec. 31, 1954:

Property Taxes	\$ 2.10	
Poll Taxes	24.00	
Poll Tax abated	2.00	
Yield Taxes	124.16	
Interest on Timber Taxes	1.21	
Uncollected Taxes as per Col- lector's List:		
Yield Taxes	9.32	
Poll Taxes	2.00	
		\$164.79

State Head Taxes, 1953

DR.

Uncollected Head Taxes as per Col- lector's List	\$85.00	
Added Taxes	5.00	
Penalties collected	8.50	
		\$98.50

CR.

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$85.00	
Abatements	5.00	
Penalties collected	8.50	
		\$98.50

Levy of 1952

Uncollected as of January 1, 1954

Property Taxes	\$ 7.84
Yield Taxes	14.27
Poll Taxes	4.00
Interest collected during year	.96

Total Debits

\$27.07

CR.

Remittance to Treasurer during fiscal
year ending Dec. 31, 1954:

Property Taxes	\$ 7.84
Interest collected during year	.96
Uncollected Taxes as per list:	
Yield Taxes	14.27
Poll Taxes	4.00

Total Credits

\$27.07

Levy of 1951

Uncollected Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$5.96
Yield Taxes	6.15
Poll Taxes	4.00

Total Debits

\$16.11

CR.

Abated Property Taxes	\$5.96
Abated Yield Taxes	6.15
Uncollected Poll Taxes	4.00

Total Credits

\$16.11

Levy of 1950

Uncollected Poll Taxes	\$2.00
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Levy of 1949

Uncollected Poll Taxes	\$2.00
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Levy of 1948

Uncollected Poll taxes	\$4.00
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	Levy of 1947		
Property Taxes	\$.95		
Poll Taxes	8.00		
Interest Collected	1.95		
Total Debits			\$10.90

CR.

Property Tax	\$.95		
Poll Taxes	4.00		
Interest Collected	1.95		
Uncollected Polls	4.00		
Total Credits			\$10.90

Levy of 1945

Uncollected Poll Tax	\$1.00		
Uncollected Special Poll	3.00		
Total Uncollected			\$4.00

Levy of 1941

DR.

Poll Taxes	\$6.00		
Interest Collected	1.00		
Total Debits			\$7.00

CR.

Poll Taxes	\$4.00		
Interest Collected	1.00		
Uncollected Poll	2.00		
Total Credits			\$7.00

Levy of 1940

DR.

Poll Taxes	\$6.00		
Interest Collected	1.00		
Total Debits			\$7.00

CR

Poll Taxes	\$4.00	
Interest Collected	1.00	
Uncollected Poll	2.00	
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Total Credits		\$7.00

Previous Years' Taxes, 1936-1938-1939

DR.

Property Taxes	\$2.79	
Poll Taxes	12.00	
Interest Collected	3.31	
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Total Debits		\$18.10

CR

Property Taxes	\$2.79	
Poll Taxes	12.00	
Interest Collected	3.31	
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Total Credits		\$18.10

Tax Sales Redeemed During 1954

Property Taxes	\$499.32	
Interest Collected	66.77	
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Paid Treasurer \$566.09

Uncollected Taxes from 1940 to 1955

1940	Cora Hill	\$2.00	
1941	Cora Hill	2.00	
1945	Ada Sleeper	4.00	
		<hr/>	\$ 8.00

1947

Lee V. Sleeper	\$2.00	
Ada Sleeper	2.00	
	<hr/>	4.00

1948

Lee V. Sleeper	\$2.00	
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	Ada Sleeper	2.00	
		<hr/>	4.00
1949	Ada Sleeper		2.00
1950	Ada Sleeper		2.00
	1951		
	Lee V. Sleeper	\$2.00	
	Ada Sleeper	2.00	
		<hr/>	4.00
	1952		
	Lee V. Sleeper	\$2.00	
	Ada Sleeper	2.00	
		<hr/>	4.00
	1953		
	Ada Sleeper		2.00
	1954		
	George Belloir	\$2.00	
	Lennie Belloir	2.00	
	Paid after Jan. 1, 1955	2.00	
	Paid after Jan. 1, 1955	2.00	
	Velma Hines	2.00	
	Albert Hill	2.00	
	Cora Hill	2.00	
	Patrick O'Doherty	2.00	
	Hermina O'Doherty	2.00	
	Bessie Sturtevant	2.00	
	Paid after Jan. 1, 1955	2.00	
	Ada Sleeper	2.00	
	Lee V. Sleeper	2.00	
	Samuel Tuttle	2.00	
		<hr/>	\$28.00
	1952 Yield Taxes		
	John Gill		14.27
	1953 Yield Taxes		
	John and Gertrude Gill		9.32
	1954 Yield Taxes		
	Earl N. Goss	\$10.50	

Paid after Jan. 1, 1955	61.60
F. C. Hammond and Son	277.36
Paid after Jan. 1, 1955	1.89
Verne Hines	33.80
Edwin Morse	46.64
Paid after Jan. 1, 1955	4.90
Leon Pelletier	4.80
Myrl E. Phelps	46.70
Paid after Jan. 1, 1955	8.33
Paid after Jan. 1, 1955	29.39
Willard W. Smith	1.70

Total	\$527.61
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I hereby certify that the above list showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer as of December 31, 1954 on account of Tax Levies of 1940-1941-1945-1947-1948-1949-1950-1951-1952-1953 and 1954 is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GROVER W. BRALEY,

Collector

Summary of Sales Account as of December 31, 1954.

	DR.			
	1954	1953	1952	1951
Taxes sold to Town during current fiscal year	\$789.32			
Balance of unredeemed Taxes Jan. 1, 1954		\$515.49	\$161.01	\$237.49
Expenses after Sale Dec. 31, 1953		6.29		
Interest collected after Sale		12.67	18.13	35.97
	\$789.32	\$534.45	\$179.14	\$273.46

CR

Remitted to Treas.			
during year	\$206.39	\$133.24	\$226.46
Deeded to Town during yr.	48.37	45.90	47.00
Unredeemed taxes end			
of year	\$789.32	279.69	
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	\$789.32	\$534.45	\$179.14
			\$273.46

**Unredeemed Taxes from Tax Sales on Account of
Levies of**

	1954	1953
Bennett, Lulu M.	\$125.81	
Berry, Maud C. and Earl J.	75.07	\$ 85.05
Church, George M.	40.85	
Duefield, Harold	19.44	
Obdus, Frank	15.63	
Patterson, John J.	22.63	
Sulloway, G. W. and L. L.	172.45	183.91
Sulloway G. W. and L. L.	2.02	2.17
Sulloway G. W. and L. L.	2.02	2.17
Sulloway, G. W. and L.. L.		6.39
Taylor, James L.	32.30	
Welsh, Harold P.	72.09	
N. E. Mica Co.	10.74	
Park, Philip and Dorothy	27.47	
Putney, Wesley T.	27.47	
Russell, George A.	59.08	
Talmage, Henry	18.17	
Talmage, Henry	30.65	
Talmage, Henry	4.62	
Talmage, Henry	4.62	
Talmage, Henry	6.48	
Talmage, Henry	3.31	
Talmage, Henry	5.36	
Talmage, Henry	2.76	
Ta'mage, Henry	2.76	

Talmage, Henry	2.76	
Talmage, Henry	2.76	
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	\$789.32	\$279.69

Taxes To Be Abated

1954	Poll Tax	Head Tax
Don Brock	1	
Charles E. Clough	1	1
Merrill E. Davis	1	
Annie Gould	1	1
Gertrude Gill	1	1
Carl Hahn	1	1
John Hanni	1	1
Isaac Heino	1	
Frank Kimball	1	
John Merrill	1	1
Walter O'Hare	1	1
Charles G. Pierson	1	
Pearl Price	1	
Fred E. Sturtevant	1	1
Mabel E. Woodward	1	1
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1953		
Albert Belloir	1	1

To Be Abated

	Property	Yield Taxes
1951		
Patrick Dukette	\$5.96	\$4.65
Ervin Smart		1.50
1954		
Thomas W. Neill	37.00	

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT

Cash on Hand Jan. 1, 1954		\$12,879.64
Received from Selectmen:		
Land Sold	\$190.00	
Plowing Driveways	65.00	
Cemetery Lot	25.00	
Plowing Snow—Prescott Hill	16.75	
Pistol Permits	8.50	
Refund—Road Signs	7.50	
Refund—Veteran's Aid	4.95	
Timber Tax—Scales	6.15	
Refund—Road Agent	.80	
Brundage—Gift	50.00	
	—————	374.65
National State Capital Bk.:		
Short Term Note		4,963.54
From Town Clerk:		
Auto Permits	\$1,513.67	
Dog Tax	218.00	
Filing Fees	6.00	
1953 balance due	2.09	
	—————	1,739.76
From State:		
Class V Highways	\$3,370.52	
Railroad Tax	448.70	
Reimbursement Timber Tax	400.68	
Bounties	162.00	
Interest and Dividend Tax	140.00	
Savings Bank Tax	67.50	
Refund—Old Age Assistance	948.52	
Refund—Forest Fires	1,073.25	
Refund Pine Blister	4.48	
	—————	6,615.65
Received from Tax Collector		
Current Taxes:		
Property	\$25,430.25	
Polls	358.00	

Timber	673.26	
Head	1,105.00	
Head Tax Penalties	11.50	
Interest and Costs on Property Tax	7.41	
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Total of Current Taxes Collected		25,785.42
Previous Taxes:		,
Property	13.68	
Polls	48.00	
Head	85.00	
Timber	124.16	
Tax Sales Redeemed	499.32	
Interest and Penalties	84.70	
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		854.86
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Total Receipts		\$55,013.52
Less Selectmen's Payments		42,825.36
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Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1955		\$12,188.16

BERNICE B. BROWN,
Treasurer

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Town Officers' Salaries

A. Stuart Gage, Selectman	\$201.80
C. Lawrence Gove, Selectman	205.20
Clinton S. Williams, Selectman	122.40
Lulu H. Dean, Auditor	28.80
Elsie F. Williams, Auditor	28.80
Clifton D. Davis, Clerk	100.00
Bernice B. Brown, Treasurer	95.00
C. Lawrence Gove, Fire Warden	10.00
C. Lawrence Gove, keeping books	25.00
Grover W. Braley, Collector	175.00
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	\$992.00

Town Officers' Expense

Asso. of N. H. Assessors, dues	\$ 3.00
Branhan Pub. Co., Auto Ref. book	4.12
Wheeler and Clark, dog tags and license books	15.14
Reporter Press, Town Reports	356.00
Grover W. Braley, searching records and notification of mortgagees	6.29
A. Stuart Gage, Selectman	23.69
F. J. Shores, transfers and abstracts	11.87
Anna D. Proctor, transfer names	.50
Reporter Press, envelopes and printing	10.75
Edson C. Eastman Co., Inc., supplies	25.70
C. Lawrence Gove, Selectman	31.80
F. J. Shores, recording	10.15
Ida M. Horner, dues, Collectors' Asso.	3.00
Mildred S. Braley bonding officers	94.90
W. S. Darley and Co., handcuffs	14.16
Charles R. Hardy, Treas., Town Clerks' Asso. dues	2.00
Elsie F. Williams, typing and copying blotter	15.00
Bernice B. Brown, Treas.	1.10
Clifton D. Davis, Clerk	3.75
Grover W. Braley, Collector, postage and supplies	24.07
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	\$656.99

Election and Registration

Edson C. Eastman Co., Inc., checklists	\$16.75
Stanley W. Phillips, Supervisor	32.40
Fred Littlefield, guarding rail	21.60
Enterprise Press, ballots	13.50
Roger E. Martin, Supervisor	50.40
The Reporter Press, notices	16.00
Ellen Williams, Ballot Clerk	14.40
Walter C. Morse, Supervisor	50.40
A. Stuart Gage, Moderator	21.60

Elsie F. Williams copying checklists	5.00
Frank R. Dean, Ballot Clerk	21.60
Grover W. Braley, Ballot Clerk	21.60
Donald S. Fowler, Ballot Clerk	21.60

\$306.85

Auto Permits

Clifton D. Davis	\$125.00
Clifton D. Davis	5.00

\$130.00

Town Hall and Observation Post

N. E. Tel. and Tel.	\$ 41.75
Public Service Co. of N. H.	44.00
Morris F. Braley, wood	15.00
Leslie Seamans, sawing wood	3.75
Roger Martin, Janitor and supplies	53.60
Harold Holt, wood	21.00
E. W. Brewster, supplies	3.84

\$182.94

Town Hall Painting

Luke Joseph Ryan, painting Hall	\$ 400.00
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Police Department

Fred Littlefield, Constable	\$ 13.00
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Fire Department

Frank K. Clarke, Insurance on Firemen	\$ 105.00
Alfred Cady, steel posts and wire	12.20
Leslie Seamans, repairs on fence at water hole	15.00
Mildred Braley, insurance on fire truck	46.55

\$178.75

Forest Fires

C. L. Gove, Wardens' meeting	\$ 7.12
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C. L. Gove, fire on Prescott Hill	6.37
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	\$ 13.49

Blister Rust

William Messeck, Jr., State Forester, 1954 appro.	\$400.00
Rec'd refund from State Forestry Dept.	4.48
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Total amount expended	\$395.52

Health Department

Wendell Brown, Health Officer	\$10.00
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Vital Statistics

Clifton D. Davis	\$24.50
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Refunds

Whitehall Co., on taxes	\$37.00
Enfield Box Co., Inc., on taxes	22.00
Wallace Williams, acct. 1953 Veterans' exemp.	42.00
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	\$101.00

TOWN HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE

General Statement

Appropriation, 1954	\$2,229.48
Received from State, Gasoline Tax	3,370.52
Received for plowing driveways and road	81.75
Received from Chas. E. Brundage, gift for highway use	50.00
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Total amount available	\$5,731.75

Expenditures

Winter Roads	\$1,867.39
Summer Roads	3,844.80
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Total Expenditures	\$5,712.19
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Balance unexpended Jan. 1, 1954	\$ 19.56

Winter Roads

C. N. Hogue, Road Agent	\$ 758.55
Arthur Brooks, labor	86.50
Lula Bennett, sand	11.10
Theodore Hilliard, labor	540.00
Leslie Seamans, labor	8.00
C. L. Gove, labor on tractor	78.75
George Grabherr, labor	54.00
E. W. Brewster, gas and oil	213.20
H. E. Staniels, gas and oil	34.61
Stanley Downes, labor	3.00
Noble Belisle, hose for truck plow	7.85
Community Garage of Danbury, truck repairs	40.18
Canaan Oil Co., fuel oil	,32.45
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	\$1,868.19
Overpayment on order to C. N. Hogue refunded	.80
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Actual Expenditure	\$1,867.39

Summer Roads

C. N. Hogue, Road Agent	\$1,388.02
Community Garage of Danbury	24.01
Andover Auto Wrecking, 2 tires and tubes	23.00
H. L. Webster and Sons, grader parts	7.90
E. C. Sterling, gravel	8.00
Theodore Hilliard, labor	130.50
Earl Chellis, gravel	12.75
Leslie Seamans, labor	30.50
J. E. Faltin Motor Trans. Co., express	2.10
Wm. Kegy, labor	353.50
Morris F. Braley, bridge plank	368.46
H. E. Staniels, gas and oil	23.91
Arthur Brooks, labor	65.00
E. W. Brewster, gas and oil	351.91
C. S. Williams, gravel	29.00
Jones Auto Co., truck repair	26.85

Milo Perkins, labor	175.50
R. C. Hazelton Co., Inc., grader parts	48.67
Albert Doe, stringers and team	58.00
C. L. Gove, labor on grader	10.00
Edwin Caswell, labor	595.50
Dunbar Farm Equipment Co., tractor tire repair	24.72
F. C. Hammond and Son, bulldozer	87.00
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	\$3,844.80

Cutting Bushes

John Hughes, tractor	\$164.00
Leslie Seamans, labor	6.00
C. N. Hogue, labor	90.00
Arthur Brooks, labor	68.00
Theodore Hilliard, labor	24.00
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	\$352.00

Culverts

R. C. Hazelton Co., Inc.	\$341.76
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Kilton Pond Dam

E. W. Brewster, supplies	\$ 8.06
C. Lawrence Gove, labor, self and man	36.00
Morris F. Braley, flashboards	17.54

Total expended	\$61.60
Less Balance on hand	46.52

Overexpended	\$15.08
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Tractor Repairs

Community Garage of Danbury, welding	\$101.50
Columbian Steel Co., Inc., tractor blades	112.99
Hathorn's Inc.	36.00
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	\$250.49

General Expense Highway Dept.

Public Service Co. of N. H.	\$ 21.00
Laura E. Gage, insurance on tractors and highway garage	66.00
Harold Holt, wood	7.00
Leslie Seamans, sawing wood	1.40
Treas. State of New Hampshire, road signs	7.50
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	\$102.90

Street Lighting

Public Service Co. of N. H.	\$728.40
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Library Book Cases

A. S. Gage	\$40.00
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Library

Clifton D. Davis, Trustee, 1954 Appro.	\$150.00
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Old Age Assistance

State of New Hampshire	\$2,685.75
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Town Poor

Vaughn L. Gordon Funeral Home, acct. acct. Fred Mayhew burial	\$ 23.44
E. W. Brewster, acct. Joseph Hill	5.00
County of Merrimack, acct. Addie Back	820.58
Lillian Reney, aid to Soldier	4.95
Vaughn L. Gordon Funeral Home, burial John Hanni	150.00
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	\$1,003.97

Memorial Day

The Famous Flag Shop, flags	\$20.50
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Old Home Day

C. Lawrence Gove, 1954 appro.	\$50.00
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Common

Roger Martin, 1954 appro. for mower	\$25.00
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Cemeteries

Carroll Cole, care of seven cemeteries	\$248.00
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New Cemetery

C. Lawrence Gove, mowing bushes	\$ 9.00
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Interest

National State Capital Bank, Interest on Long term notes	\$27.31
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Interest on Short term note	36.46
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\$63.77

Short Term Notes

National State Capital Bank	\$4,963.54
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Payment on Principal of Debt

National State Capital Bank	\$950.00
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Town Road Aid

Treas. State of New Hampshire, 1954 Appro.	\$798.23
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Town Dump

C. Lawrence Gove, care of dump	\$ 25.00
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County Tax

Lawrence M. Colby, Treas.	\$1,482.54
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Taxes Bought by Town

Grover W. Braley, Collector	\$789.32
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Head Taxes

State Treasurer	\$1,165.00
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Grover W. Braley, collecting head taxes	35.70
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\$1,200.70

Cash Bonds Acct. Timber Tax

Paid Grover W. Braley, Collector	\$ 3.94
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Bounties

Roy J. Lovering, 61 hedgehogs	\$ 30.50
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C. Lawrence Gove, 253 hedgehogs	126.50
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A. Stuart Gage, 158 hedgehogs	79.00
Wilmer Sargent, 74 hedgehogs	37.00
Clinton S. Williams, 103 hedgehogs	51.50
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	\$324.50

Schools

Doris H. Fowler, Treasurer:	
Bal. 1953 Appro.	\$7,982.26
1954 Appro.	9,049.68
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	\$17,031.94

REPORT OF VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Another successful year is behind us. There were a few chimney fires which the Fire Department answered; but aside from these, there were no serious fires.

As soon as the dial telephones are in effect in March, the Department will send each family in town a card with the names and numbers of the members to call in case of fire. If you cannot reach one number, call another.

I wish to take this opportunity on behalf of our members to thank the womenfolk who have helped us by their prompt and efficient handling of fire calls and by their successful efforts in summoning help. Were it not for their cooperation our Department would not operate so efficiently.

LESLIE E. SEAMANS.
Chief, Vol. Fire Dept.

Financial Report—Fire Dept.

Balance on hand, Jan. 1, 1954	\$582.47	
Receipts, 1954	236.00	
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Less Orders paid		144.24
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Balance Dec. 31, 1954		\$674.23

A. STUART GAGE, Treasurer

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN FOR 1954

Total Circulation		2371
Fiction	988	
Non-fiction	753	
Juvenile	630	

Fines collected — \$5.40

54 new books were added to our shelves through the year. The number on the accession book now stands at 4,741.

HATTIE E. BARNEY, Librarian

Report of Library Trustees for 1954**Receipts 1954**

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1954	\$ 26.26
Davis Fund	136.71
Received Dividend White River Nat. Bank No. 153	52.50
Received Town of Grafton	150.00
Received Barney Fund	60.92
Received Dividend White River Nat. Bank No. 154	52.50
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Total Cash Receipts	\$478.88
Less Davis Fund	136.71
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	\$342.17

Less expenditures	320.60
Cash on Hand December 31, 1954	\$ 21.57

Expenditures 1954

Jan. 16	Goodman's Bookstore	\$ 16.74
Feb. 2	Public Service Co.	20.00
Feb. 16	Goodman's Bookstore	16.40
Mar. 31	“ “	15.84
Apr. 28	“ “	15.28
June 12	“ “	32.24

(May \$15.84—June \$16.40)

June 21	Warren Cole, Janitor	6.00
July 22	Goodman's Bookstore	50.90
July 23	Hattie Barney, Librarian	50.00
Aug. 24	Goodman's Bookstore	15.29
Oct. 18	Harold Holt, wood	19.00
Dec. 8	Harold Holt, kindling wood	4.50
Dec. 11	Warren Cole, Janitor	5.00
Dec. 12	Hattie Barney, supplies	3.41
Dec. 31	Hattie Barney, Librarian	50.00
		\$320.60

Respectfully submitted,
 CLIFTON D. DAVIS,
 for the Library Trustees
 Clifton D. Davis
 Lulu H. Dean
 Lula M. Bennett

Auditors' Certificate

This certifies that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Road Agent, Trustees of the Trust Funds, Library Trustees and Fire Department and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ELSIE F. WILLIAMS
 LULU H. DEAN

Auditors

REPORT OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Cash on hand from 1953	\$ 7.00	
Donated	3.00	
Interest drawn from banks	363.21	
		\$373.21
Paid Carroll Cole,		
June 26	\$150.00	
Aug. 9	50.00	
Oct. 9	51.50	
		\$251.50
		\$121.71
Paid Library Trustees, June 28		60.92
		\$60.79
Balance		25.00
Paid Edward Barney trust fund work		\$35.79
		9.34
		\$26.45
Paid Cummings Brothers		20.00
		\$6.45
Paid Grover Braley, for fertilizer		\$6.45

WILLIAM MATTHEWS, Trustee.

Report of the Trust Funds for the Year Ending December 31, 1954

Name and Year of Creation	Purpose	How Invested	Bal. of Principal both at beginning and end of year	Bal. of Income on hand at Be- ginning of Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Bal. of Income on hand at End of Year
1919 East Grafton	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	\$ 235.50	\$ 30.52	\$ 7.80	\$ 15.45	\$ 22.87
1919 H. Stevens	Cem. & School Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	500.00	15.34	15.34	15.34	15.34
1919 J. E. Martin	"	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	41.45	7.21	6.00	42.66
1919 Estelle Axtell	"	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	2.89	1.55	2.00	2.44
1919 Candace S. Cook	"	N. H. Savings Bank	75.00	9.67	2.49	3.00	9.16
1919 Nason W. Cass	"	N. H. Savings Bank	150.00	29.23	5.33	5.00	29.56
1919 A. A. Barney	"	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	2.33	1.55	1.50	2.38
1919 Mary A. Smith	"	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	3.57	1.58	1.50	3.65
1918 W. Hardy	"	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	16.51	3.44	5.00	14.95
1919 Ann M. Hoyt	"	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	7.46	3.20	3.00	7.66
1920 Jane K. Lawrence	"	N. H. Savings Bank	500.00	110.48	18.21	15.00	113.69
1920 Nathan Severance	"	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	3.36	1.58	1.50	3.44
1923 Frank D. Currier, No. 1	"	N. H. Savings Bank	198.15	65.84	7.87	10.00	63.71
1923 Frank D. Currier, No. 2	"	N. H. Savings Bank	198.15	42.15	7.16	10.00	39.31
1929 Edward C. Dimond	"	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	2.27	1.55	1.50	2.32
1925 Geo. H. Cole	"	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	2.41	1.55	1.50	2.46
1925 A. F. Hoyt	"	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	32.55	3.95	3.00	33.50
1927 Myra A. George and Geo. J. Whitney	"	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	1.94	1.54	1.50	1.98
1927 Ella F. Smith	"	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	56.00	7.61	8.00	55.61
1932 Jonathan Severance	"	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	12.38	3.33	4.00	11.71
1933 Volana E. Kilton	"	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	13.44	6.37	5.00	14.81

1933	Mary E. Gifford	"	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	2.48	1.55	1.50	2.53
1934	Volana E. Kilton	Doctor	N. H. Savings Bank	5,000.00	1,726.49	203.30		1,929.79
1934	Volana E. Kilton	"	Merick Co. Sav. Bk.	5,000.00	1,753.47	202.59		1,956.06
1934	Volana E. Kilton	"	Loan & Trust Sav. Bk.	5,000.00	1,665.96	201.46		1,867.42
1934	Volana E. Kilton	"	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	5,000.00	1,857.62	207.26		2,064.88
1934	Volana E. Kilton	"	Franklin Sav. Bank	5,000.00	1,598.35	197.94		1,796.29
1934	Almon H. Barney	Cemetery	N. H. Savings Bank	700.00	66.69	22.98	12.00	77.67
1934	Susan St. Ormond	"	N. H. Savings Bank	175.00	18.05	5.75	5.00	18.80
1935	H. L. Powell	"	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	5.63	3.14	3.00	5.77
1936	Clara E. Johnson	"	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	19.39	6.53	6.00	19.92
1936	Emeline L. Davis	"	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	18.20	6.50	6.00	18.70
1945	Geo. A. Bucklin	"	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	3.19	3.08	2.00	4.27
1951	Wiseman Truell	"	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	3.71	1.60	1.50	3.81
1951	Henry Truell	"	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	3.71	1.60	1.50	3.81
1948	Alfred Martin	"	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	3.90	3.08	3.00	3.98
1950	Ichabod B. Sargent	"	N. H. Savings Bank	150.00	7.65	4.70	4.00	8.35
1950	Sam. W. & Caroline Barney	"	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	11.26	6.31	5.00	12.57
1950	Alpheus A. Howe	"	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	6.53	3.17	2.50	7.20
1950	Geo. L. & Ethel Aldrich	"	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	3.39	3.07	3.00	3.46
1951	Rufus H. Hill	"	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	3.37	3.07	3.00	3.44
1953	Harland W. - Grover Barney	"	N. H. Savings Bank	250.00	5.65	7.63	6.00	7.28
1953	Chas. and Ethel Cheney	"	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	3.00	6.10	3.00	6.10
1953	Walter G. Valia	"	Amoskeag Sav. Bank	1,000.00	7.50	30.44		37.94
1900	Maria E. Martin	Church	Manchester Sav. Bank	513.65	61.13	20.26		81.39
1938	Eulalia I. Martin	Cemetery	Merick Co. Sav. Bk.	100.00	11.79	3.30	2.00	13.09
1942	Ethel M. Hanscom	"	Merick Co. Sav. Bk.	50.00	7.62	1.66	3.00	6.28
1942	John Valia	"	Merick Co. Sav. Bk.	50.00	2.14	1.53	1.50	2.17
1942	John L. Sargent	"	Merick Co. Sav. Bk.	50.00	3.24	1.56	1.50	3.30
1943	Geo. S.-Cora M. &	"	Merick Co. Sav. Bk.	150.00	6.38	4.61	4.00	6.99
1943	Dr. J. Sarah Barney	"	Merick Co. Sav. Bk.	50.00	1.89	1.51	1.50	1.90
1943	Charles P. Sargent	"	Merick Co. Sav. Bk.	200.00	15.03	6.36	5.00	16.39
1943	George L. Hall	"	Merick Co. Sav. Bk.					

1944	Alice M. Dodge	Cemetery	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	100.00	4.28	3.07	3.00	4.35
1944	Augustus G. Russell	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	100.00	5.43	3.10	3.00	5.53
1945	Mina Bullock Stevens	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	100.00	4.51	3.07	3.00	4.58
1946	Dean	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	100.00	5.88	3.10	3.00	5.98
1946	H. Alvah Stevens	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	*100.00	31.51	9.77	9.00	32.28
1946	Geo. M. Flanders	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	100.00	6.16	3.13	3.00	6.29
1946	Barney & Flanders	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	2,000.00	60.92	60.75	60.92	60.75
1947	William Haskins	Cemetery	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	100.00	10.56	3.26	3.00	10.82
1947	Geo. S. Sanders	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	500.00	35.96	15.88	10.00	41.84
1950	Guilford & Nancy Underhill	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	300.00	19.31	9.47	6.00	22.78
1949	George S. Pierce	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	50.00	1.84	1.51	1.50	1.85
1949	Jeremiah & Mary Whitney	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	100.00	6.26	3.13	3.00	6.39
1949	Fred C. Davis	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	100.00	5.23	3.12	2.00	6.35
1950	Alfred & Mary Sleeper	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	200.00	10.29	6.23	4.00	12.52
1950	Fred W. Barney	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	1,000.00	61.05	31.17	35.00	57.22
1951	C. N. Howe	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	100.00	4.34	3.09	2.00	5.43
1952	Jacob Blaunw	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	62.50	1.94	1.89	1.50	2.33
1954	Flora E. & Edwin L. Sargent	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	200.00	7.09	6.12	5.00	8.21
1954	Gage and Bucklin	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	*200.00		2.50		2.50
1954	Capital Reserve Fund	"	Meri'ack Co.	Sav. Bk.	*351.00		7.02		7.02
	Grafton School District	School Fund							

* Designates New Funds created during the year.

All the above Trust Funds yield 3% Int. per annum.

*Bal. beginning of year 300.00

Certificate

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

December 31, 1954.

WILLIAM MATTHEWS
MORRIS F. BRALEY
A. STUART GAGE
Trustees

Report of the School District

District Officers

DONALD S. FOWLER	Moderator
DORIS FOWLER	Treasurer
LULA BENNETT	Clerk
LULA DEAN	Auditor

School Board

A. STUART GAGE	Term expires 1955
MARION SEAMANS	Term expires 1956
NATALIE BROWN	Term expires 1957

Teachers

Mrs. Martha Ford	Grades 1-4
Mrs. Maude Ware	Grades 5-8

Superintendent of Schools

C. Maurice Gray

School Nurse

Ellen F. Williams, R. N.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer's Report

Summary:

Cash on hand July 1, 1953	\$	93.12
Received from Selectmen, appro.	\$17,482.26	
Received from Trust Funds	10.50	
Received from all other sources	452.29	
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Total Receipts		\$17,945.05
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Total amount available for fiscal year		\$18,038.17
Less School Board orders paid		16,130.25
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Balance on hand June 30, 1954		\$ 1,907.92

DORIS FOWLER,
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 Grafton, N. H. of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1954 and find them correct in all respects.

LULU H. DEAN,
Auditor.

School Board's Report

Receipts:

From Selectmen, appropriation	\$17,482.26	
From Trust Funds	10.50	
From Supervisory Union No. 4, re- fund on Supt's and Nurse's salary	72.79	
From H. G. Talmage, sale of school house	351.00	
From all other sources	28.50	
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Total Receipts		\$17,945.05
Cash on hand June 30, 1953		93.12
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		\$18,038.17

Detailed Statement of Payments

Salaries of District Officers:

Natalie E. Brown, school board	\$ 50.00	
Carl N. Howe, auditor	6.00	
Marion E. Seamans, school board	75.00	
Doris Fowler, treasurer	35.00	
A. Stuart Gage, school board	50.00	
Lula Bennett, clerk	4.00	
Donald Fowler, moderator	2.00	
E. S. Hunt, truant officer	20.00	
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		\$242.00

Superintendent's Salary :		
Supervisory Union No. 4		331.22
Expenses of Administration :		
Marion Seamans, postage and expenses	6.47	
F. J. Shores, registering deed	1.50	
Reporter Press	14.00	
Supervisory Union No. 4, clerk		
office expense	164.50	
A. Stuart Gage, revenue stamp for deed	4.05	
Natalie Brown, expenses	6.50	
Brown & Saltmarsh, Inc., vouchers	20.45	
N. H. School Board Association, dues	3.00	
Ellen F. Williams, mileage to clinic	5.40	
Doris Fowler, postage	.45	
	<hr/>	226.32
Per Capita Tax :		
State Treasurer		168.00
Teachers' Salaries :		
Martha Ford	\$2,133.47	
Margaret Hughes	1,896.43	
N. H. Teachers Retirement System	362.10	
Lula Dean, substitute	45.00	
Director of Internal Revenue	408.00	
	<hr/>	4,845.00
Text Books :		
The Arlo Publishing Co.	\$40.20	
Ira Zer Allen	8.20	
Encyclopedia Britannica, Inc.	4.95	
Martin & Murray Co.	50.90	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	3.51	
Silver Burdett Co.	26.42	
Charles Scribner's Sons	1.77	
Follett Publishing Co.	1.66	
Allyn & Bacon, Inc.	8.57	
The Macmillan Co.	6.44	
Ginn and Co.	9.65	

World Almanac	1.85	
	<hr/>	164.12
Scholars' Supplies:		
Ginn & Company	\$16.08	
Silver Burdett Co.	19.67	
Row, Peterson & Co.	20.50	
Milton Bradley Co.	16.65	
American Education Pub.	16.30	
Cascade Paper Co.	42.00	
J. L. Hammett Co.	18.58	
Houghton Mifflin Co.	10.94	
Scott, Foresman & Co.	1.84	
	<hr/>	162.56
Other Expenses of Instruction:		
J. L. Hammett Co., flagpole, bracket, diploma covers	\$12.87	
George W. Tucker, phonograph needle	.50	
General Ice Cream Corp.	8.10	
Lillian Reney, napkins	.36	
	<hr/>	21.83
Janitor Service:		
Ann Merrill		264.00
Fuel:		
Prescott Oil Co.		339.76
Water, Light & Janitor Supplies:		
Public Service Co. of N. H.	\$43.67	
White River Paper Co.	38.70	
Allan H. Murray	3.73	
Lillian Reney	1.50	
	<hr/>	87.60
Minor Repairs & Expenses:		
Leon Valia, cleaning toilets	\$12.00	
Prescott Oil Co., cleaning stoves	12.00	
Ann Merrill, cleaning schoolhouse	25.00	
B. Runyon, material & repairs	15.00	

Concord Hardware Supply Co.	50.00	
	<hr/>	114.00
Medical Inspection:		
Supervisory Union No. 4, nurse's salary		188.37
Transportation of Pupils:		
C. Lawrence Gove	\$2,500.00	
Alfred Cady	67.50	
Raymond Beals	825.00	
	<hr/>	3,392.50
High School Tuition:		
Lebanon School District	\$ 780.00	
Canaan School District	489.59	
Bristol School District	550.00	
Andover School District	1,801.50	
Enfield School District	570.00	
	<hr/>	4,191.09
Elementary School Tuition:		
Springfield School District	\$555.00	
Canaan School District	62.50	
	<hr/>	617.50
Insurance:		
Mildred S. Braley		45.15
Other Fixed Charges:		
Mildred S. Braley, treas. bond and vacancy permit		14.50
New Equipment:		
Marion Seamans, electric grill		12.95
Capital Reserve Fund:		
Trustees of Trust Fund		351.00
Retirement:		
N. H. Teachers' Retirement System	\$327.36	
Supervisory Union No. 4, supt. and nurse's retirement	23.42	
	<hr/>	350.78
Total Payments		<hr/> \$16,130.25

Certificate

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

A. STUART GAGE
MARION SEAMANS
NATALIE BROWN
School Board

GENERAL STATISTICS

Enrollment by Grades

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
1953-54	5	5	5	7	9	7	4	4	46
Dec. 24									
1954-55	9	3	7	4	11	4	7	2	47

District Totals

	Av. Att.	Av. Abs.	Av. Memb.	% Att.
1953-54	41.3	2.7	44.0	93.8
1954-55				
Dec. 24	44.8	2.4	47.2	94.9

Tuition Pupils 1954-55

Andover High School—Rate \$245.00

Betty Lyons	Grade 11
Marie Price	" 11
Kernel Seamans	" 11

Bristol High School—Rate \$300.00

Gaynell Gove	Grade 9
Jean Hilyard	" 10
Patricia Peterson	" 11

Canaan High School—Rate \$250.00	
Kenneth Aldrich	Grade 10
Enfield School District—Rate \$310.00	
Edith N. Church	Grade 12
Lebanon School District—Rate \$275.00	
Robert Stevens, part of year	Grade 9
Shirley Dean	“ 12
Burt Dean	“ 9
Springfield Elementary School—Rate \$185.00	
Lois Johnson	Grade 5
Gladys Johnson	“ 8
Carolyn Church	“ 8
Albert Stone, Jr., part of year	“ 1
New London High School	
Norma Merrill, part of year	“ 9

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1955-56

Open Sept. 7 (Wed.)	Close Dec. 21 (Wed. 12.30)
Open Jan. 3 (Tues.)	Close Feb. 17
Open Feb. 27	Close April 20
Open April 30	Close June 13 (Wed.)

Days out: Nov. 24, 25; May 30 (Wed.)

Close 12:30: Nov. 23, Dec. 21.

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

Pupils must attend the first grade if 6 by September 30 and may enter if 6 by January 1.

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

Supervisory Union No. 4 Budget

N. H. Laws Chapter 135, paragraph 43. "The school boards of the several districts forming a supervisory union shall meet between April first and June first in each year at a time and place fixed by the chairmen of the several boards, and organize by choosing a chairman, a secretary and a treasurer. They shall, when necessary, nominate a superintendent or superintendents, fix the salary or salaries, and apportion the same among the several districts and certify the apportionment to their respective treasurers and to the state board of education."

Chapter 135, paragraph 47. "At a meeting held before January first of each year the supervisory union board shall adopt a budget required for the expenses of the supervisory union for the next fiscal year, which budget may include the salary and expenses of supervisors of health, physical education, music, art and guidance, and any other employees, and expenses necessary for the operation of the supervisory union The basis for apportionment shall be one-half on the average membership of the previous school year and one-half on the last adjusted (Ch. 157, 1951) valuation of the district."

The chart of expenses is based on action taken by the union. (See page following.)

Supervisory Union No. 4 Budget
1953 - 54

District	Pd. State \$2 per Capita Tax	Supt's Salary	Supt's Travel Expense	Office	Conv. Fund	Supt's Secretary	Nurse's Salary	Totals
Alexandria	\$ 138.00	\$ 191.42	\$ 58.90	24.90	6.64	116.20	122.60	552.54
Bridgewater	86.00	215.80	66.40	\$ 22.09	\$ 5.89	\$ 103.08	\$ 119.10	\$ 500.48
Bristol	510.00	1,198.92	368.90	138.34	36.89	645.58	798.52	3,187.15
Canaan	618.00	897.98	276.30	103.61	27.63	483.52	634.02	2,423.06
Danbury	224.00	247.64	76.20	28.58	7.62	133.35	170.77	664.16
Grafton	168.00	227.82	70.10	26.29	7.01	122.67	148.88	602.77
Groton	36.00	98.80	30.40	11.40	3.04	53.20	78.29	196.84
Helbron	30.00	141.06	43.40	16.27	4.34	75.95	78.29	359.31
Orange	50.00	30.36	9.40	3.52	.94	16.45	14.96	75.83
Totals	\$1,860.00	\$3,250.00	\$1,000.00	\$375.00	\$100.00	\$1,750.00	\$2,087.14	\$8,562.14
Received from State	\$2,750.00	\$2,750.00						

*The State increased its share from \$2,275 to \$2,750 making refunds totaling \$475 to the districts on supt's salary. Hence these figures, which are net, will not recon cile with detailed statements representing gross payments.

Superintendent's Report

We quite often see articles in newspapers and magazines written by nationally syndicated columnists "panning" education and "telling" educators what ought to be done. Simply because one becomes an authority in the field of politics, foreign affairs, farm subsidies, or even football, does not qualify one as an expert in all things. The expert on what can be done in an ungraded rural school is to be found in an ungraded rural school; the expert on what can be done in a small high school is to be found in the small high school. These columnist experts are unacquainted with the "educational facts of life" and will remain so until such time as they actually spend a year, more or less, in an actual situation teaching the pupils themselves. Of course they can not afford to do this and a quick superficial survey plus a few interviews and a posed picture or two must be the basis of material for an expression of opinion. Unfortunate it is that their opinions are so widely read, and believed. Now all of us in the educational field can improve our work and have the potential of always doing a better job. Much remains to be discovered and learned in the field of human conduct, but for a college president or a noted columnist to write that all pupils in high school should have a couple of years of Latin, or three years of college preparatory mathematics is too absurd to merit additional space. Our pupils must be taught to read current publications with the proverbial grain of salt. Freedom of the press is not license, and carries on its shoulders the greatest of responsibilities.

Once again we enter a legislative year with political leaders of both parties pledged to no new sources of tax revenue which simply means that the local property tax will continue to bear the major part of increased costs of educating our children. Even granting the possibility of a stable economy, costs of education will in-

crease where: 1) There are significant increases in the school population; 2) There is need of extensive remodeling or new buildings; 3) Where new educational offerings become necessary; 4) Where there is competition for teachers. There is an old, and elementary, law to be found in any high school economics text book that where there is a limited supply and an increasing demand for a commodity the price will increase. Numerically there will be a shortage of teachers for many years ahead; qualitatively speaking there is always a shortage. Teachers have the benefit now of being in the driver's seat of a "selling market." Until such time as state aid becomes available in sufficient quantity to absorb these increasing costs the local property owner will pay the bill. Only when this condition has been met will state aid, in still larger quantities, be of any great value in lessening the burden on the property owner. If you, as a property owner, are willing to absorb these costs there is, and will be, no need of new taxes; if you really want tax relief new sources of revenue are necessary, in the opinion of the writer. To say that it doesn't make any difference because the consumer pays the bill anyway is to overlook the fact that different people consume different things, and all consumers in the State of New Hampshire do not live here "the year round" nor do they all own property! There are several towns in this union which could well use several times the aid now being received. Other towns can not have modern buildings until special building aid is allocated from a higher level either state or federal. What do you want for your children? Are you willing to "pay the freight" on present tax bases? These are the vital questions. The squeaky wheel gets the grease. Legislators have sensitive ears!

Based on estimates received, the school board is asking for \$4,500 by special article to remodel the East

Grafton School. This is neither the highest nor the lowest figure received and may, or may not, be enough. We believe it is.

Material changes in a building do not, of themselves, guarantee improved educational learnings. It is extremely difficult to find teachers, especially for rural schools. People are inclined that superintendents are trying to "make a case for themselves" but this is not true. Married women living within commuting distances of our schools are the only ones available, and we should be very thankful for them. Recent graduates of our Teacher Colleges are receiving an average salary over \$2,800.00 and are "calling their shots."

It should be pointed out here that a change in the number of high school tuition pupils makes a quick change in the budget. In round figures \$300 per pupil is quite common and a few more or less high school pupils will make a material change in costs. We have been fortunate in the past two years in having a surplus because of this; some year it may be otherwise.

Respectfully submitted,
C. MAURICE GRAY

Warrant for School Meeting

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the town of Grafton qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said District on the 8th day of March 1955, at 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the District.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the District will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the District, as determined by the School Board in its annual report.
9. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$4500, including the capital reserve fund for remodelling the school of \$351 plus interest, to remodel and renovate the East Grafton School by procuring a water system, by installing flush toilets and making the necessary changes related thereto; and to see if the District will vote to raise \$1000 by direct assessment in 1955, and to authorize the School Board to issue notes or bonds for the balance and determine the terms and conditions upon which the notes or bonds shall be issued including their sale and the time and place of payment of principal and interest, in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act of 1953, and any amendments thereto.
10. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Grafton this 16th day of Feb. 1955.

A. STUART GAGE,
MARION E. SEAMANS
NATALIE E. BROWN
School Board.

A TRUE COPY:—

A. STUART GAGE,
MARION E. SEAMANS,
NATALIE E. BROWN,
School Board.

GRAFTON SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

1955-56

ITEM	Actual Expen. 1953-54	Adopted Budget 1954-55	Actual Expen. July 1 to Dec. 31, '54	Sch. Brd. Bud. Budget 1955-56
EXPENDITURES				
Administration:				
Salaries of district officers	\$ 242.00	\$ 242.00	\$ 231.00	\$ 242.00
Superintendent's salary (local share)	261.12	241.26	241.26	223.38
Tax for state wide supervision	168.00	160.00	160.00	140.00
Salaries of other administrative personnel	122.67	115.68	115.68	122.40
Supplies and expenses	173.75	235.00	198.90	235.00
Instruction:				
Elementary teachers' salaries	4,845.00	4,900.00	1,718.26	5,300.00
Books and other instruction aids, elementary	164.12	150.00	77.44	150.00
Scholars' supplies, elementary	172.23	150.00	48.37	150.00
Supplies and other expenses, elementary	12.16	20.00		20.00
Operation of School Plant:				
Salaries of custodians, elementary	264.00	270.00	78.00	360.00
Fuel or heat, elementary	339.76	300.00	87.48	300.00
Water, light, supplies and expenses, elementary	87.60	175.00	115.55	175.00
Maintenance of School Plant:				
Repairs and replacements, elementary	114.00	50.00	99.99	100.00
Auxiliary Activities:				
Health supervision, elementary	188.37	108.96	110.85	116.92
Transportation, elementary	3,392.50	3,460.00	1,546.00	3,865.00
Tuition, high	4,191.09	5,000.00	1,510.00	4,945.00
Tuition, elementary	617.50	725.00	355.00	370.00
Special activities and special funds, elementary		10.00		10.00
Fixed Charges:				
Retirement, elementary	350.78	380.00	106.38	390.00

Insurance, treas. bonds and expenses, elementary
Contingency Fund

59.65 74.00 5.00 5.00
200.00 200.00 200.00 200.00

TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSES

Capital Outlay:

New equipment, high
New equipment, elementary
Payments in Capital Reserve Fund

15,766.30 \$16,966.90 \$ 6,800.16 \$17,419.70 \$17,419.70

12.95 \$12.95
351.00 351.00

Total Capital Outlay

\$363.95 \$363.95
\$16,130.25 \$16,966.90 \$ 6,800.16 \$17,419.70 \$17,419.70

TOTAL EXPENDITURES OR SCH. APPROP.

RECEIPTS

ITEM:

*Balance (actual or estimated)
Trust funds
Other

93.12 1,907.92 1,907.92 1,000.00 1,000.00
10.50 7.00 9.34 10.00 10.00
452.29

TOTAL RECEIPTS OTHER THAN PROP. TAXES

District Assessment Raised or to be Raised by Prop. Taxes

\$ 555.91 \$ 1,914.92 \$ 1,917.26 \$ 1,010.00 \$ 1,010.00
\$17,482.26 \$ 6,000.00 \$16,409.70 \$16,409.70

Special Appropriations to be Financed by Bond Issues,
Serial Notes or Capital Reserve Funds
Remodel Building, installation of water, flush toilets and
heating plant

\$ 4,500.00 \$ 4,500.00

LESTER W. BARNEY
MORRIS F. BRALEY
GROVER M. BRALEY
A. STUART GAGE
C. LAWRENCE GOVE

Budget Committee
February 5, 1955

Births Registered in the Town of Grafton, N. H. for the Year Ending December 31, 1954

Date	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Seamans	No. Children	Sex and of Children	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Name of Father	Residence	Birth Place of Parent
Jan. 22	Hanover	James Scott	Seamans	M	W	Liv. 3	Leslie Edwin	Seamans	Grafton	New Hampshire
July 12	New London	Paul Alan	Gove	M	W	Liv. 1	Paul Clarence	Marion Etta Sanders	Grafton	New Hampshire
July 24	Lebanon	David Elton	Bocash	M	W	Liv. 4	Wilfred Arthur	Bocash	Grafton	New Hampshire
July 28	Hanover	Stephen Paul	Hogue	M	W	Liv. 3	Charles Nelson	Hogue	Grafton	New Hampshire
Nov. 15	Kittery, Me.	Penny Marie	Rhoades	F	W	Liv. 5	William Stern	Rhoades	Grafton	New Hampshire
Dec. 1	New London	Sandra Ann	Greenleaf	F	W	Liv. 1	Wm. Horace	Greenleaf	Grafton	New Hampshire
Dec. 9	Lebanon	Frank Arthur	Sturtevant	M	W	Liv. 7	Fred'k Edward	Sturtevant	Grafton	New Hampshire
							Bessie Evelyn	Morse	Grafton	New Hampshire

I hereby certify that the above return is a correct list of the births for 1954 to the best of my knowledge and belief.
 Clifton D. Davis, Town Clerk, Grafton, N. H.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Grafton, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1954

Date	Place of Marriage	Name of Groom & Bride	Age, Color	Occupation	Birthplace	Residence	By Whom Married
Apr. 10	Enfield	Charles Herbert Pierson Evelyn Collins Carpenter	26 W	Contractor Tel. Oper.	New York New Hampshire	Grafton New London	Rev. Darrell Helmers Clergyman
June 14	Enfield	John Foster Bassett June Lillian Valha	19 W	Mechanic	New Hampshire	Portsmouth	Rev. Darrell Helmers Clergyman
June 20	Franklin	Lawrence Everett Belloir Phoebe Jane Seaman	15 W	At home	New Hampshire	Grafton	S. M. Nelson Justice of Peace
June 27	Franklin	Lester Edwin Belloir Shirley Eleanor Duefield	18 W	Student	New Hampshire	Grafton	S. M. Nelson Justice of Peace
July 17	Franklin	Robert Wilson Lampport Lucille Elizabeth Kimball	27 W	Lumberman	New Hampshire	Hillsboro	S. M. Nelson Justice of Peace
July 27	Enfield	Leon Almon Valia Ethel May Black	18 W	At home	Massachusetts	Stoncliam	S. M. Nelson Justice of Peace
Sept. 11	Winnot	Donald Robert Gallup Louise Irene Stevens	22 W	Unemployed	New Hampshire	Grafton	Rev. Darrell Helmers Clergyman
			18 W	Waitress	New Hampshire	Canaan	Rev. G. S. Campbell Clergyman
			30 W	Woodsmen	New Hampshire	Grafton	
			19 W	At home	New Hampshire	So. Danbury	

I hereby certify that the above list of marriages for 1954 is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief
Clifton D. Davis, Town Clerk, Grafton, N. H.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Grafton, N. H. for the Year Ending December 31, 1954

Date 1954	Place Death	Name and Surname	Place Age of Years Birth	Sex and Condition	Occupation	Name of Father and Mother
Mar. 25 or 26	Grafton	Ephraim Samuel Hunt	68 Unknown	M Single	Police Officer	Unknown
Mar. 29	Grafton	Leon Garfield Valia	72 Grafton	M Married	Auto Mech.	John Valia Almina Kimball
Mar. 22	Grafton	Peter Sa'adah	3 mo. 8 d. Hanover	M Single	Infant	Monmir Sa'adah Marjorie Abraham
Apr. 19	Grafton	Tamah F. Kimball	88 Danbury	F Widow	Housewife	Geo. N. Ford Amanda M. Davis
Apr. 8	Grafton	Carl J. Hahn	55 New York	M Married	Retired	William Hahn Bessie Coynan
June 19	Laconia	Eva Mary Braley	77 New Hampshire	F Widow	Housewife	John Trumbell Mary Chellis
July 18	Grafton	Rhoda Marie Weir	28 New Hampshire	F Married	Housewife	Clyde R. Wescott Enlala Stevens
July 19	Woodsville	Gertrude M. Gill	58 Connecticut	F Married	Housewife	Samuel Jacobs Flora Squires
Sept. 7	Franklin	Walter Lewis O'Hare	67 Massachusetts	M Married	Retired	Owen O'Hare Mary Sullivan
Oct. 27	Grafton	John Hanni	66 Finland	M Single	Chopper	Unknown
Nov. 4	Concord	Jessie Brown	79 Maine	F Widow	Farm Hand	William Brown Bessie Smith

I hereby certify that the above list of deaths for 1954 is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.
Clifton D. Davis, Town Clerk, Grafton, N. H.

