

200th
ANNIVERSARY
OF THE
TOWN OF
NEW DURHAM
NEW HAMPSHIRE



ANNUAL REPORTS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st

1948

**HIGHLIGHTS IN THE HISTORY
OF NEW DURHAM
FOUNDED TWO HUNDRED YEARS AGO
MAY 5, 1749**

This year the town of New Durham proudly observes the 200th anniversary of the granting of land to its founders, and it is therefore appropriate that we should turn back the pages of time and recall some of the outstanding achievements that have been made by the community since its humble beginning, through thrift, industry and public-spirited cooperation. The charter approved by King George III of Great Britain included the expression of confidence that the incorporation of the town would be "conducive to the general good of our Province as well as to the said inhabitants in particular, by maintaining good order and encouraging the culture of the lands." It would appear that in two centuries of progress, New Durham has more than justified the high hopes that were originally pinned upon its future.

Although New Durham's charter was not granted until some years later, the records show that the proprietors of lands purchased of John Tuffton Mason in the province of New Hampshire met at the home of Sarah Priest in Portsmouth on May 5, 1749, at which time the six-mile-square area that was to become the town of New Durham was granted in shares to a group of men from Durham, Newmarket, Greenland and Exeter. Among family names on that ancient list which have remained familiar through the intervening years were Tash, Randel, Jenkins, Smith, Davis, Bickford, Adams, Edgerly, Jones, Drew, York, Hill, Young and Weeks.

The grants provided that the whole tract within the boundaries, except portions designated for other improvements, should be divided into 100 shares, each to be laid out into two distinct lots, one containing 100 acres and the other "all land belonging to each share, respectively."

One share was assigned to the first clergyman, presumably the "John Adams, Minister", named in the list of grantees, and another was to be "for and towards the support of the Gospel ministry forever". Provisions were also made for six acres to be left in some convenient location for construction of a meeting house and school building "and to be used as a training field, a burying place and other public use". Seventeen other shares were reserved for use of the grantors and their heirs forever.

It was required that the owners of the other 80 shares should erect dwellings at least 16-foot square and 30 families were to be settled "within four years after peace is proclaimed between the English, French and Indians". Twenty acres were set aside for use as a saw-mill to be erected within five years of the peace, the logs and timber to be sawed to the halves. The work was to be done at common expense "if no particular person will do it". Other provisions of the grants covered such subjects as highways, reservation of white pine trees and the grantors' authority in trying title disputes.

It was on December 7, 1762, that King George III authorized Benning Wentworth, governor of the Province of New Hampshire, to grant the petition of the inhabitants of New Durham to incorporate a township.

The boundaries in the charter were described as follows, with the words "paralel" and "untill" in their original spelling:

"Beginning at the southwesterly corner of a tract of land granted unto Ebenezer Verney, Wm. Wentworth and others upon and at Rochester head line and from thence running westerly by said head line five miles, and to continue the breadth of five miles extending from the said head line so far northwardly as to make a tract of land equal to six miles square, adjoining to the said tract of land granted to the said Ebenezer Verney, Wm. Wentworth and others and the head line of said tract of land hereby granted to be a paralel line with the head line of Rochester and the said lines to be paralel with each other shall be and by these presents are declared and ordained to be a town corporate, and are hereby erected and incorporated in a body politic and corporate to have a continuance untill His Majesty's pleasure shall be signified to the contrary by the name of New Durham ***".

It was recorded in the charter that Major Thomas Tash had been appointed to "call the first meeting any-time within twenty days from the date hereof, giving legal notice of the time of holding such a meeting, after which the annual meeting of said town for the choice of such officers and management of affairs***shall be held within the same on the first Monday in March".

Thus, written in the excellent penmanship characteristic of the times, this historic document paved the way for incorporating another small but promising community in our Colonial state—a town which has kept abreast with development of the entire area.

Today, New Durham, which in early days, like similar New Hampshire communities, was engaged chiefly in agriculture and lumbering, has become one of the outstanding summer vacation spots in the Lakes Region and also has more industrial activity than many towns of comparable population.

For many years, the Allen Manufacturing Co. and its predecessors provided employment for most of the town's available wage-earners, and since fire destroyed that plant, a lumber mill has been established on the site, giving considerable employment from time to time. At present, portable sawmills operating in the area are also providing jobs for a number of local men, and the Peerless Manufacturing Co. brush factory keeps several operatives busy in its steady operations. In addition, New Durham has gained an important place in the summer recreational business with the establishment of tourist homes and overnight cabins that have attracted heavy out-of-state patronage in recent years. Dr. Berlin's Birch Hill Camps are attended by scores of young people from all parts of the country each summer, bringing much additional revenue in town property taxes as well as increased business volume for stores. Incidentally, from a trading standpoint, New Durham fares well for a community of its size in being served by two large stores with a wide variety of merchandise, as well as a grain store, which in addition to feedstuffs, carries building materials and other supplies commonly used in rural areas.

Especially in recent years, New Durham has become a veritable sportsmen's paradise, being one of the

favorite deer-hunting spots in the region and boasting several lakes and ponds which offer excellent fishing for local anglers and many from surrounding towns, as well as from outside the state. A few years ago, the Farmington Fish and Game Association purchased a large tract of land not far from the center of New Durham and created its own pond which is regularly stocked with fish and thrown open to the public. The club grounds also attract many New Durham residents and sports followers from surrounding communities who enjoy softball games, rifle competition and other sporting events there during the summer months.

Merrymeeting lake has enjoyed a phenomenal boom within recent years, its summer cottage colony expanding to three and four times its former size. Favored with its natural scenic beauty and a hard-surfaced highway leading to it from one of the state's busiest thoroughfares, the lake has proved to be a desirable spot for many out-of-town people, who, in some cases, have erected summer homes with all the comforts of year-round dwellings.

The most recent and rapid development at Merrymeeting lake has been a tribute to the foresight of a former New Durham resident, George Jones of Rochester, who opened a new road along the unpopulated side of the lake, starting near the dam, with the result that it was speedily built up with attractive cottages. A three-mile stretch of this lakeside thoroughfare has been virtually completed and many additional cottages will be added to the Merrymeeting colony.

Besides its scenic charms, Merrymeeting is rated highly as a lake for both summer and winter fishing, and its waters have been described by experts as the most favorable in the region for breeding salmon. A couple of years ago, this advantage was given official recognition by the state when it constructed a \$75,000 fish rearing plant not far from the dam. Hundreds of interested persons visit the establishment annually to see various kinds of fish being raised for liberation in New Hampshire streams.

Back around the Civil War era, Powder Mill Village was an important spot in a vastly different field, with a large powder plant operating near the site of the

present hatchery. The venture ended in tragedy, however, as the plant was demolished by a terrific explosion which cost the lives of a number of workers.

Another old-time industry was the Coburn knife factory on Birch Hill, which was operated for many years as the industrial backbone of that section of the town and put New Durham "on the map", so to speak, by the widespread distribution of its products.

In those days, the town also had a number of small shoemaking shops, a few of which are still standing, but sadly showing evidence of their long abandonment.

In the field of religion, New Durham was a real pioneer, as already indicated in the land proprietors' grants, and the nation's first Free Will Baptist Church was established on the Ridge by Elder Randall. It is not generally known, but the late former United States Senator George H. Moses was deeply interested in the history of that denomination, and back in 1936 discussed with the writer the possibility of preparing an article on the Ridge church. The stately old-time edifice is still used for occasional services during the summer months, but the center of the town's religious worship is the chapel on the Plains, with several affiliated organizations, including the Ladies' Aid society, which have a very worthwhile influence upon the well-being of the community.

New Durham likewise has a very energetic volunteer fire department, now occupying the new fire station and town garage building, and the organization is a real credit to the community. The firemen themselves are worthy of unstinted praise, not only for their promptness and efficiency in handling emergencies, but because, on their own initiative, they purchased the town's latest fire truck with funds raised by conducting benefit dances and a public subscription. New Durham also is exceptionally well equipped with road improvement and snow-removal machinery which has been praised by at least one out-of-state official as the best in a town of its size in New Hampshire.

Another valuable asset of the community is its town hall, which was constructed 42 years ago at a cost of \$10,000 and today has a valuation of approximately \$50,000. Replacing the old town house located near the

home of Izah Berry, the imposing structure far exceeds in size and attractiveness, most of the similar buildings in other villages. Such public-spirited citizens as George Jones, Walter Miller and the late Shem Wentworth were largely instrumental in mapping plans for construction of the building.

History also emphasizes that New Durham has always kept in step with the advancement of education. Years ago, there were several schoolhouses scattered in various sections of the town, but today 55 pupils attend the consolidated school on the Plains, while 15 others attend the high schools in Alton and Rochester. Many improvements have been made at the local school building within the past year or so, including the installation of a new and modern kitchen which the superintendent reports is the best in the entire district.

Another of the town's chief assets for a number of years has been its water power facilities developed by George Jones and including a power station which helps to provide electrical energy for the Public Service Company of New Hampshire.

Within the past few years a street lighting system has been added in New Durham, providing a "white way" for the main thoroughfare and the Merrymeeting and Depot roads. Likewise, REA lines have been installed over a wide area in the town, making it possible for many dwellings on the back roads to have electric lighting and other modern conveniences.

In general, this review merely scratches the surface of New Durham's two centuries of progress, but nevertheless it should be sufficient to prove that our fine town has far exceeded even the expectations of the charter issued by His Majesty's government, that we "maintain good order and encourage the culture of the lands".

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN

TOWN TREASURER, TOWN CLERK

TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

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Town of New Durham, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator
LOYD H. SCRUTON

Town Clerk
BESSIE WILLETT

Selectmen
HARRY W. NUTTER WILLIAM E. RICHARDS
WILLIAM SMITH

Tax Collector
HARLEY A. GILES

Treasurer
MAURICE DAVIS

Chief of Police
RAYMOND GRENIER

Auditors
T. S. BAKER EVELYN BAKER

Supervisors
HARLEY A. GILES JOSEPH N. BERRY
ROY W. BERRY

Health Officer
JOSEPH N. BERRY

School Board
ALTIE SMITH MAURICE DAVIS
J. H. COOPER

Moderator
WALTER MILLER

District Clerk
CARRIE M. MILLER

District Treasurer
HELEN F. BICKFORD

Truant Officer
ERNEST W. HAYES

Auditor
WALTER H. MILLER

Library Trustees
JEAN NYLAND HELEN F. BICKFORD
JESSIE W. NUTTER

Trustees of Trust Funds
GEORGE BICKFORD GEORGE WINN

Budget Committee
HARLEY A. GILES ROY W. BERRY
RALPH RICHARDSON T. S. BAKER
MAURICE E. DAVIS

Fire Commission
ROY BERRY LOYD SCRUTON
T. S. BAKER

Fire Chief
HARRY NUTTER

Road Agent
RENE GRENIER

Overseer of Poor
WILLIAM SMITH

WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the town of New Durham, in the county of Strafford, in said state, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall in said New Durham, on Tuesday, the eighth day of March, next, at ten of the clock, in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

Article 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.

Article 3. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to borrow money on the credit of the town to pay its just debts.

Article 4. To see what discount, if any, the town will allow on property taxes and on what dates same shall apply.

Article 5. To see if the town will raise and appropriate fifty-four dollars for the Lakes Region Association.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to accept state aid for construction on King's highway, the town to raise eight hundred and seventeen dollars and fifty cents, the state to give one thousand, six hundred and thirty-four dollars.

Article 7. To see if the town will raise and appropriate five hundred and eighty-one dollars and forty-six cents for town road aid, the state to give two thousand, three hundred and twenty-five dollars and eighty-four cents.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to hold town meeting in the evening, hereafter. By request.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to reject Article 5 and vote to raise and appropriate \$54.00 for Old Home week.

Article 10. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of fifty dollars toward a memorial to World War II veterans. This sum to be used in conjunction with funds being raised by the Home and Community Welfare committee of New Durham Grange for this purpose. By request.

Article 11. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars for white pine blister rust control. This is demanded by law.

Article 12. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of five thousand dollars to replace the town truck.

Article 13. To see what the town wishes to do in regards to using the hall for basketball.

Given under our hands and seal, this fourteenth day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-nine.

HARRY NUTTER,
W. E. RICHARDS,
WILLIAM SMITH,

Selectmen of New Durham, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

HARRY NUTTER,
W. E. RICHARDS,
WILLIAM SMITH,

Selectmen of New Durham, N. H.

BUDGET

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year, January 1, 1949 to December 31, 1949, compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1948.

	1948	1948	1949
	Appropriations	Actual	Estimate
Purposes of Expenditures			
Current Maintenance Expenses:			
General government:			
Town officers' salaries	\$904.50	\$937.00	\$904.50
Town officers' expenses	400.00	466.33	400.00
Election and registration expenses	245.00	128.00	48.00
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	900.00	1,241.73	900.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police department	60.00	58.00	60.00
Fire department	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,000.00
Moth extermination—blister rust			400.00
Health:			
Vital statistics	4.00	4.00	4.00
Forest fires	300.00	294.14	300.00
Highways and bridges:			
Cutting bushes			500.00
Town maintenance, summer	2,500.00	4,241.46	2,500.00
Town maintenance, winter	3,000.00	2,943.80	2,500.00
Street lighting	612.69	615.39	615.39
Town road aid			581.46

BUDGET (Continued)

Purposes of Expenditures	1948 Appropriations	1948 Actual	1949 Estimate
Libraries:			
Libraries	100.00	100.00	100.00
Public welfare:			
Town poor	1,000.00	704.13	500.00
Old age assistance	600.00	772.15	900.00
Patriotic purposes:			
Memorial day and veterans' associations	25.00	25.00	25.00
Flag pole			50.00
Unclassified:			
Advertising and regional associations	51.00	51.00	54.00
Interest:			
On taxes	130.00	236.53	100.00
Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvement:			
Highways and bridges:			
State aid construction—town's share	769.50	769.50	817.50
New equipment	2,193.00	2,598.64	
Indebtedness:			
Payment on principal of debt:			
Long term notes	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:			
County taxes	1,800.00	1,777.78	1,800.00
School taxes	11,915.27	8,000.00	12,823.37
Total expenditures	\$29,909.96	\$28,364.58	\$28,883.22

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

Land and buildings, non-resident		\$186,825.00
Land and buildings, resident		144,550.00
Wood, resident		21,500.00
Wood, non-resident		40,700.00
Electric plants		96,350.00
Horses	17	1,725.00
Mule	1	50.00
Oxen	2	200.00
Neat stock	9	750.00
Cows	62	7,325.00
Sheep	12	120.00
Fowls	380	442.00
Portable mills	4	18,000.00
Boats	3	800.00
Wood and lumber		30,030.00
Pumps and tanks	13	870.00
Stock in trade		11,800.00
Mills and machinery		4,900.00
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		\$566,937.00
Less soldiers' exemptions		21,475.00
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		\$545,462.00

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND
TAXES ASSESSED

Town officers' salaries	\$904.50
Town officers' expenses	400.00
Election and registration	245.00
Expenses of town hall	900.00
Protection of persons and property:	
Police department	60.00
Fire commission	1,400.00
Health:	
Vital statistics	4.00
Highways and bridges:	
Town maintenance, summer	2,500.00
Town maintenance, winter	3,000.00
Street lighting	612.69
Town road aid	769.50
Forest fires	300.00
Libraries	100.00
Town poor	1,000.00
Old age assistance	600.00
Memorial day and veterans' associations	25.00
Advertising and regional association	51.00
Interest on long term notes	130.00
Outlay for new equipment	193.00
Payments on principal of debt, long term note	1,000.00
Payments to other governmental divisions:	
County tax	1,800.00
School district	11,915.00
	\$27,909.69
Less interest and dividend tax	\$52.84
Less railroad tax	132.32
Less savings bank tax	22.73
Auto permits	640.33
	\$848.22

Comparative Statement of Appropriations, Credits and Expenditures of Various Departments

Appropriations & Credits	Other Receipts	Tot. Amt. Available	Expenditures	Unexpended Bal.	Overdraft
T. O. salaries	\$904.50	\$904.50	\$937.00		\$32.50
T. O. expenses	400.00	400.00	466.33		66.33
Election and registration	245.00	245.00	128.00	117.00	
Town hall expenses	900.00	Rent \$272.00 Misc. 62.90	1,234.93	1,241.73	6.80
Police department	60.00	60.00	58.00	2.00	
Fire commissioner	1,400.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	100.00	100.00
Forest fires	300.00	362.10	294.14	67.96	
Vital statistics	4.00	4.00	4.00		
Highway, summer	2,500.00	1,723.30			
Highway, winter	3,000.00	Misc. 165.00	4,388.30	4,241.46	146.84
Town road aid	769.50	Misc. 113.31	3,113.31	2,943.80	169.51
Town poor	1,000.00	Refunds 147.00	769.50	To Surplus 769.50	
		Refunds	1,147.00	704.13	442.87
Old age assistance	600.00	99.12	699.12	772.15	73.03
Libraries	100.00	100.00	100.00		
County tax	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,777.78	22.22	
Advertising	51.00	51.00	51.00		
School tax	1,191.27	11,915.27	8,000.00	3,915.27	
Memorial day exercises	25.00	25.00	25.00		
Electric lights	612.69	612.69	615.39		2.70
New equipment	2,193.00	2,193.00	2,598.64	79.60	405.64
Interest on taxes	130.00	316.13	236.53		
Long term notes	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00		
	\$29,909.96	\$2,930.89	\$32,840.85	\$27,695.08	\$5,832.77
					\$687.00

FINANCIAL REPORT
OF THE TOWN OF NEW DURHAM
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1948

ASSETS

Cash in hands of treasurer		\$6,926.98
Accounts due to the town:		
Due from firemen's fund, part payment on town hall cook stove	\$25.00	
Unredeemed taxes:		
Levy of 1947	208.09	
Levy of 1946	93.41	
Previous years	18.22	
Uncollected taxes:		
Levy of 1948	2,908.64	
Levy of 1947	38.00	
Levy of 1946	14.17	
Previous years	15.97	
Total assets		\$10,248.48
Excess of liabilities over assets (net debt)		3,314.79
Grand total		\$13,563.27

LIABILITIES

Accounts owed by the town:		
1947 appropriation for King's highway	\$670.50	
1948 appropriation for King's highway	769.50	
Due to school districts:		
Dog licenses	208.00	
Balance of appropriation	3,915.27	
Long term notes outstanding:		
Serial notes, Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7	6,000.00	
Serial notes, Nos. 8, 9	2,000.00	
Total liabilities		\$13,563.27
Grand total		\$13,563.27

RECEIPTS

CURRENT REVENUE FROM LOCAL TAXES

Collected and remitted to treasurer:	
Property taxes, current year	\$24,407.40
Poll taxes, current year,	
regular @ \$2.00	330.00
National bank stock taxes	275.00
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Total current year's taxes	
collected and remitted	\$24,740.15
Property taxes, previous years	3,722.76
Poll taxes, previous years,	
regular @ \$2.00	196.00
Poll taxes, previous years,	
special @ \$3.00	18.00
Interest received on taxes	186.13
Tax sales redeemed	535.28
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	\$29,398.32

FROM STATE

For highways and bridges:	
For town road aid	\$1,733.30
Received from federal government,	
expenses for burial of	
Carl N. Vigent	108.00
Interest and dividend tax	52.84
Railroad tax	132.32
Savings bank tax	22.73
Fighting forest fires	162.10
Bounties, two years	236.50
Reimbursement a/c old age assistance	99.12
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	\$2,536.91

FROM LOCAL SOURCES, EXCEPT TAXES

Dog licenses	\$167.69
Business licenses and permits	4.00
Rent of town property	439.00
Registration of moter vehicles,	
1948 permits	640.33
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	\$1,251.02

FROM COUNTY

For support of poor	\$39.00
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RECEIPTS OTHER THAN CURRENT REVENUE

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	\$7,000.00
Long term notes during year	2,500.00
Refunds, gas and oil tax from state	76.76
Sale of town property	50.00
Phone calls	.93
Sale of old cook stove	5.00
Grange share of cost of new cook stove	56.00
Snow removal	6.00
Sale of snow fence and posts	19.80
Sale of dynamite	10.75
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Total receipts other than current revenue	\$9,725.24
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Total receipts from all sources	\$42,950.49
Cash on hand January 1, 1948	6,694.03
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Grand total	\$49,644.52

PAYMENTS

CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES

General government:	
Town officers' salaries	\$937.00
Town officers' expenses	466.33
Election and registration expenses	128.00
Expenses town hall	1,241.73
Protection of persons and property:	
Police department	58.00
Fire department, including forest fires	1,794.14
Bounties	114.50
Damage by dogs and notice to dog owners	37.00
Health:	
Health department, including hospitals	13.50
Vital statistics	4.00

Highways and bridges:		
Town maintenance:		
Summer	\$4,241.46	
Winter	2,943.80	
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		7,185.26
Street lighting		615.39
Libraries:		
Library		100.00
Public welfare:		
Old age assistance		772.15
Town poor		704.13
Patriotic purposes:		
Memorial day and veterans' associations		25.00
Unclassified:		
Advertising and regional associations		51.00
Taxes bought by town		586.14
Discounts, abatements and refunds		357.19
Interest:		
Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes		78.75
Paid on long term notes		157.78
Outlay for new construction and permanent improvements:		
New equipment:		
Highway	\$2,598.64	
Wiring shed	97.31	
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		2,695.95
Indebtedness:		
Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes		7,000.00
Payments on long term notes		1,000.00
Payments to other governmental divisions:		
Special poll taxes @ \$3.00 paid to state		63.48
Taxes paid to county		1,777.78
Payments to school districts:		
Appropriation	\$14,566.56	
Dog licenses	186.78	
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		14,753.34

Total payments for all purposes	\$42,717.54
Cash on hand December 31, 1948	6,926.98
Grand total	\$49,644.52

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
Town hall, lands and buildings	\$20,000.00
Furniture and equipment	1,500.00
Library, furniture and equipment	1,000.00
Fire department, land and buildings	1,000.00
Equipment	3,500.00
Highway department lands and buildings	3,000.00
Equipment	15,000.00
Schools, lands and buildings	8,000.00
Equipment	1,000.00
George Currier property, Goodrow lot, 36 acres	100.00
Henry Davis property	150.00
E. H. Carroll, Willey lot, 40 acres	50.00
L. Wentworth property	50.00
Edward Parent property, F. A. Thayer lot	100.00
Noe Marchand property, Royal Cook place 2 acres	50.00
F. L. Tebbetts lot, adm.	100.00
Boucher lot, Chalk pond	100.00
Whaley, camp lot, Shaw pond	50.00
Chesley and Harris lots, second division	100.00
Total	\$54,850.00

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.
Dated February 5, 1949.

HARRY NUTTER,
WILLIAM E. RICHARDS,
WILLIAM SMITH,

Selectmen.

MAURICE E. DAVIS,

Treasurer.

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand January 1, 1948	\$6,694.03	
Receipts during the year	42,950.49	
		\$49,644.52

PAYMENTS

Paid on selectmen's orders	\$42,717.54	
Cash on hand December 31, 1948	6,926.98	
		\$49,644.52

Respectfully submitted,

MAURICE E. DAVIS,

Treasurer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

MOTOR VEHICLE PERMITS

Received for 214 automobile permits, including transfers		\$640.33
Paid town treasurer		640.33

DOG LICENSES

3 males at \$2.00 on 1947 list	\$6.00	
78 males and spayed females licensed at \$2.00 on 1948 list	156.00	
3 females licensed at \$5.00 on 1948 list	15.00	
2 males, 1 female, registered part time on 1948 list	3.42	
1 kennel licensed on 1948 list	12.00	
		\$192.42

Paid for dog tags	\$7.13	
Fees, 88 at 20c	17.60	
Paid town treasurer	167.69	

\$192.42

Respectfully submitted,

BESSIE E. HAYES,

Town Clerk.

REPORT OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Report of the New Durham Public Library from
February 1, 1948 to February 1, 1949

DR.

Cash on hand to balance February 1, 1948	\$70.14
Received from town of New Durham	100.00
Cards and fines	8.95
Books sold	.75
	\$179.84

CR.

February 1, 1948	
Librarian's salary	\$39.00
Westminster Press, books	13.79
H. R. Hunting Co., books	50.50
New England News Co., books	42.50
Postage, money orders, etc.	2.49
Meaders, loose leaf cover and filler	.95
Farmington News, cardboard	1.35
Paper, envelopes and stamps, librarian	.65
Sears, Roebuck & Co., catalog supplies	6.67
	\$157.90
Cash on hand to balance February 1, 1949	21.94
	\$179.84

BOOKS LOANED DURING THE YEAR

Adult fiction	451
Juvenile fiction	406
Miscellaneous	10
	867
Total	867

Books loaned by the Bookmobile this year, 248.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSIE W. NUTTER,

JEAN NYLAND,

HELEN F. BICKFORD,

Trustees.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

For the Fiscal Year, December 31, 1947 to
January 1, 1949.

SUMMARY OF WARRANT LEVY OF 1948

DR.

Taxes committed to collector:

Property taxes	\$26,945.15
Poll taxes	428.00

Total warrant	\$27,373.15
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Added taxes:

Property taxes	\$246.14
Poll taxes	20.00
Bank stock	4.75
Interest collected	3.38

Total debits	\$27,647.42
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CR.

Remittance to treasurer:

Property taxes	\$23,939.67
Poll taxes	330.00
Bank stock tax	2.75
Interest collected	3.38
Discounts	304.78
Abatements	158.20

Uncollected taxes, as per collector's list:

Property taxes	2,788.64
Poll taxes	118.00
Bank stock	2.00

Total credits	\$27,647.42
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UNCOLLECTED TAXES, RESIDENT, 1948

Berry, Joseph N.	\$133.38	Corson, Willis R.	14.82
Berry, Nelson M.	135.85	Cameron, Lawrence	29.64
Brackett, E. H.		Cameron, Albert	19.76
(heirs)	22.23	Connelly, Edith E.	64.22
Burns, Jack	9.88	*Dyer, Everett E.	9.88
Chamberlain,		*Deshon, Catherine	17.29
John B.	24.70	Eddy, John L.	34.58

*Paid after books were closed.

Ford, Herman	14.82	McKeon, Gerald	14.82
Gleason, F. J.		Randall, H. C.	29.64
(heirs)	138.32	Smith, Edward	41.99
Grenier, Trifly	14.82	Shaw, William	44.46
Hayes, Ernest	24.70	Searles, Walter J.	69.16
Hayes, Everett	40.76	Staples, Charles F.	34.58
Hayes, Arnold	12.35	Taylor, Stanley M.	39.52
Hayes, Leon	17.29	Thurston, Ethel	29.64
Hall and Joy	22.23	Thurston, Martin	
Howard, Jack	24.70	(heirs)	24.70
Hill, Leslie	2.47	Willey, A. I.	14.82
Haines, Willard B.	74.10	York, Caroline	12.35
Lambertson, Ethel	39.52	Young, Lewis F.	
*Langley Guy	29.64	(heirs)	71.63
Langley, Nathaniel	34.58	Young, Herman	14.82
March, Walter and			
Winnifred	56.81	Total	\$1,505.47

UNCOLLECTED POLLS, 1948

Aiken, Vaughn	\$2.00	Hayes, Arnold	2.00
Berry, John M.	2.00	Hayes, Virginia	2.00
Berry, Shirley M.	2.00	Hayes, Leon	2.00
Berry, Joseph N.	2.00	Hill, Leslie J.	2.00
Berry, Myrtle	2.00	Lambertson, Ethel	2.00
Berry, Nelson N.	2.00	*Langley, Guy	2.00
Berry, Mabel	2.00	*Langley, Eva	2.00
Brace, Charles	2.00	Langley, Nathaniel	2.00
Brace, Beulah	2.00	Langley, Bertha	2.00
Chamberlain, Edna	2.00	McKeon, Gerald	2.00
Connelly, Edith	2.00	McKeon, Catherine	2.00
*Dyer, Jeanne	2.00	March, Walter C.	2.00
Dyer, Everett, Jr.	2.00	March, Winnifred	2.00
Deshon, Richard	2.00	Miles, Ruth	2.00
Deshon, Catherine	2.00	Nickerson, Roy	2.00
Ford, Herman	2.00	Nickerson, Violet	2.00
Gleason, Elizabeth	2.00	Nehring, Viva	2.00
Geary, Anthony	2.00	Randall, H. C.	2.00
Geary, Bessie	2.00	Randall, Ruth	2.00
Hayes, Everett	2.00	Rand, Florence	2.00
Hayes, Rosaria	2.00	Searles, Walter	2.00
Hayes, Gladys	2.00	Searles, Irene	2.00
Hayes, Mildred	2.00	Staples, Charles	2.00
Hayes, Lucy Edna	2.00	Staples, Doris	2.00

*Paid after books were closed.

Taylor, Stanley	2.00	Young, Perley	2.00
Taylor, Dorothy E.	2.00	Young, Elze	2.00
Thurston, Ethel	2.00	Young, Herman	2.00
Tibbetts, Grace	2.00	Young, Nellie	2.00
Trowbridge, John E.	2.00	Young, Raymond	2.00
Trowbridge, Lillian	2.00		
		Total	\$118.00

UNCOLLECTED TAXES, NON-RESIDENT

Allain, Albert	\$29.64	Pease, Willis	14.82
Bank stock	2.00	Potvin, George J.	14.82
*Cornell, Roberta	24.70	Rines, Clarence	7.41
Cornell, John		Rines Clara	7.41
(heirs)	24.70	Rines, Jesse Roscoe	7.41
Cedergren, C. W.	108.68	Rhines, Albert	54.34
Chester, Anthony		*Simpson, Richard	9.88
and Esther	34.58	Shaw, Gertrude	98.80
Canney, Isaac	4.94	Sheehan, Leo and	
Davis, Effie	4.94	Hazel	39.52
Dawson, Seth	2.47	Senter, Clarence	39.52
Evans, Paul and		*Trafton, E. F.	59.28
Marion	34.58	Tibbetts, Nelson	74.10
*Fairbanks, Horace	14.82	Taylor, Eleanor	39.52
Frothingham, Harry		Thompson, Julia	24.70
	49.40	Thornton, Edward R.	
Fuhrman, Hyman	19.76		83.98
Gibbs, Marshall	24.70	Thurston, Richard	3.71
Hartford, Harold	12.35	Waterman, Edith	24.70
Kelly, Bert		Walker, Joseph	14.82
(heirs of)	49.40	White, Ralph	39.52
LaFayette, Lindsay	19.76	Wright, Anna	24.70
*Lepene, Hattie	64.22	Warburton, Harvey	4.94
Mitchell, Howard	12.35		
Meador, John	59.28	Total	\$1,285.17

LEVY OF 1947

DR.

Uncollected taxes as of January 1,
1948:

Property taxes	\$3,662.08
Poll taxes	144.00
Added taxes:	
Property taxes	57.78

*Paid after books were closed.

Poll taxes	18.00	
Interest collected during year	170.74	
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Total debits		\$4,052.60

CR.

Remittance to treasurer:		
Property taxes	\$3,624.58	
Poll taxes	130.00	
Interest collected during year	170.74	
Abatements made during year	89.28	
Uncollected taxes:		
Property taxes	10.00	
Poll taxes	28.00	
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Total credits		\$4,052.60

UNCOLLECTED TAXES, 1947

PROPERTY

Berry, John M.	\$5.00	Tibbetts, Grace	5.00
		Total	<hr/> \$10.00

POLLS

Brace, Charles	\$2.00	Geary, Bessie	2.00
Brace, Beulah	2.00	Rand, Florence	2.00
Chamberlain, Edna	2.00	Thurston, Viola	2.00
Deshon, Richard	2.00	Tibbetts, Grace	2.00
Deshon, Catherine	2.00	Young, Elze	2.00
Graber, Jesse	2.00	Young, Raymond	2.00
Graber, Nan	2.00		
Geary, Andrew	2.00	Total	<hr/> \$28.00

LEVY OF 1946

DR.

Uncollected taxes as of January 1, 1947:		
Property taxes	\$21.07	
Poll taxes	26.00	
Interest collected during year	3.40	
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		\$50.47

CR.

Remittance to treasurer:		
Property taxes		\$12.90
Poll taxes		16.00
Abatements made during year		4.00
Interest collected during year		3.40
Uncollected taxes:		
Property taxes		8.17
Poll taxes		6.00
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		\$50.47

UNCOLLECTED TAXES, 1946

PROPERTY

Berry, John M.	\$3.87	Tibbetts, Grace	4.30
		Total	<hr/>
			\$8.17

POLLS

Brace, Beulah	\$2.00	Tibbetts	2.00
Staples, Doris	2.00		
		Total	<hr/>
			\$6.00

LEVY OF 1945

DR.

Uncollected taxes as of January 1, 1946:		
Property taxes		\$4.05
Poll taxes		45.00
Interest collected during year		4.62
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Total		\$53.67

CR.

Remittance to treasurer:		
Property taxes		\$0.00
Poll taxes		25.00
Interest collected during year		4.62
Abatements made during year		10.00
Uncollected taxes:		
Property taxes		4.05
Poll taxes		10.00
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		\$53.67

UNCOLLECTED TAXES, 1945

PROPERTY

Berry, John M.		\$4.05
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POLLS

Brace, Beulah	\$5.00	Young, Raymond	5.00
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Total	\$10.00
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LEVY OF 1944

DR.

Uncollected taxes as of January 1,
1945:

Property taxes	\$1.92
Poll taxes	25.00
Interest collected during year	3.95

	\$30.87
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CR.

Remittance to treasurer:

Property taxes	\$00.00
Poll taxes	15.00
Interest collected during year	3.95
Abatements made during year	10.00

Uncollected taxes:

Property	1.92
Polls	0.00

	\$30.87
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UNCOLLECTED TAXES, 1944

PROPERTY

Berry, John M.	\$1.92
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ABATEMENTS, 1948

PROPERTY

Crandall, Allan, part assessed to other party	\$19.76
Hayes, Leon R., land sold	4.94
Qualey, Martha, taxed in error	2.47
Croteau, Ernest, lot not owned	4.94
Kimball, Gordon, no buildings on land	4.94
Hartford, Harold, error in location	12.35

Simpson, Richard, soldiers' exemption not credited	49.40	
Tracy, John, taxed in error	49.40	
		\$148.20

POLLS

Shaw, William, over 70 years of age	\$2.00	
Corpenning, Theodore, left town	2.00	
Rand, Florence, taxed twice	2.00	
Croteau, Robert, veteran	2.00	
Young, Effie, over 70 years of age	2.00	
		\$10.00

ABATEMENTS, 1947

PROPERTY

Fairbanks, Horace, overassessed	\$10.00	
Graber, Jesse and Nan, house not livable	25.00	
Rice, Laurence, overassessed	10.00	
Hartford, Harold, error in location	12.50	
LaFayette, Lindsay, error in posting	15.00	
Austin, Lotta, taxed to John Ricker	12.78	
		\$85.28

POLLS

Lewis, Agnes, left town	\$2.00	
Young, Effie, over 70 years	2.00	
		\$4.00

1946

Ricker, John, unable to pay	\$2.00	
Ricker, Florence, unable to pay	2.00	
		\$4.00

1945

Ricker, John, unable to pay	\$5.00	
Ricker, Florence, unable to pay	5.00	
		\$10.00

1944

Ricker, John, unable to pay	\$5.00	
Ricker, Florence, unable to pay	5.00	
		\$10.00

Redemption of taxes

Name	Date Paid	Year	Cost	Exp.	Fees	Int.	Total
Berry, Joseph N.	June 8, 1948	1945	\$138.28			\$23.43	\$161.71
Berry, Joseph N.	June 8, 1948	1946	113.49			7.85	121.34
Deshon, Catherine	August 17, 1948	1945	13.51			2.56	16.07
Geary, Anthony	September 28, 1948	1946	18.68			1.90	20.58
Kelley, Bert, heirs	January 14, 1948	1946	46.91			.57	47.48
Geary, Anthony	November 2, 1948	1947	20.17			.15	20.32
Geary, Anthony	November 2, 1948	1947	17.25			.14	17.39
Rice, Lawrence	September 10, 1948	1946	22.26			1.99	24.25
Shaw, William	November 10, 1948	1947	63.62			.71	64.33
Staples, Charles	November 2, 1948	1947	41.50			.31	41.81
			\$495.67			\$39.61	\$535.28

Unredeemed taxes bought by town for non-payment

	1945	1946	1947	Total
Allain, Albert			\$36.96	\$36.96
Berry, Joseph N.			26.67	26.67
*Deshon, Catherine		\$13.08	23.63	36.71
Potvin, George J.			20.97	20.97
Pease, Willis S.	\$18.22	Bal. 2.10		20.32
Rines, Clara G.		10.79	10.30	21.09
Taylor, Stanley			47.63	47.63
Thurston, Martin, heirs			31.63	31.63
Thompson, Julia		26.84		26.84
Waterman, Curtis		40.60		40.60
Unredeemed taxes bought by Rene Grenier for non-payment				
LaFayette, Lindsay	\$18.22	\$93.41	\$10.30	\$10.30
				\$319.72

*Paid after books were closed.

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNT
LEVY OF 1947

DR.		
Taxes sold to town and Grenier	\$292.84	
Interest to date of sale	19.47	
Cost to date of sale	53.88	
Fees	17.35	
		\$384.04
Total amount of sale		\$384.04
Interest collected after sale		1.31
Redemption costs		0.00
		\$385.35
Total debits		\$385.35
CR.		
Total remittance to treasurer	\$143.85	
Unredeemed taxes	208.09	
Property deeded to the town	33.41	
		\$385.35
Total credits		\$385.35

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1948

DR.				
Tax sale on account of levy of:	1947	1946	1945	Previous Years
Taxes sold to town	\$384.04	\$320.26	\$194.89	\$25.69
Interest collected	1.31	12.31	25.99	00.00
Redemption costs	0.00	0.00	0.00	00.00
Total debits	\$385.35	\$332.57	\$220.88	\$25.69
CR.				
Remittance to treasurer				
during year	\$143.85	\$213.65	\$177.78	\$00.00
Abatements during year	00.00	00.00	00.00	00.00
Deeded during the year	33.41	25.51	24.88	25.69
Unredeemed taxes at close				
of year	208.09	93.41	18.22	00.00
Total credits	\$385.35	\$332.57	\$220.88	\$25.69

I hereby certify that the above lists showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of December 31, 1948, on account of the levy of 1948, 1947, 1946, 1945 and 1944, are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HARLEY A. GILES,

Tax Collector.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Harry Nutter	\$175.00
W. E. Richards	150.00
William Smith	150.00
Harley A. Giles	275.00
Maurice E. Davis	45.00
Bessie E. Hayes, salary and fees	142.00

\$937.00

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

U. S. Auto Guide	\$4.50
Harley A. Giles, attending tax meeting	4.00
Harley A. Giles, expense account	27.02
William Smith, attending tax meeting, with car	6.00
William Smith, car for inventory	10.00
W. E. Richards, attending tax meeting	4.00
W. E. Richards, copying inventory	5.00
Rochester Courier, rubber stamp	2.10
Ida M. Horner, Tax Collector's Assn.	2.00
Irene N. Wentworth, stamp	6.00
Irene N. Wentworth, envelopes	18.00
Walter Miller, auditor	9.00
T. S. Baker, auditor	9.00
Farmington News, town reports	187.25
Farmington News, poll tax bills	5.00
Farmington News, property tax bills	10.25
Farmington News, notice to taxpayers	4.50
I. P. Berry, town officers' bonds	42.50
Harry Nutter, postage and car for inventory	6.35
Anna Morin, transfer cards	21.60
Anna Morin, mortgage reports	7.00
Bessie Hayes, jurors' notices	6.46
George Chamberlain, perambulating town line	12.00
Martin Duff, perambulating town line	9.00
C. H. Hardy, Town Clerk's association	2.00

Association of New Hampshire	
Assessors	2.00
Cooper, Hall & Grimes, legal advice	24.75
Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies	19.05

\$466.33

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

J. N. Berry, supervisor	\$22.00
Roy Berry, supervisor	22.00
Harley A. Giles, supervisor	24.00
Loyd Scruton, moderator	12.00
Marion Smith, ballot clerk	12.00
Vern Adams, ballot clerk	8.00
Charlotte Clark, ballot clerk	12.00
Annie Willey, ballot clerk	12.00
Horace Neal, ballot clerk	4.00

\$128.00

TOWN HALL EXPENSES

Union Telephone Co.	\$80.80
Roy Berry, repairing pump	2.00
Nettie Durgin, pump	6.00
Willis Corson, janitor	366.00
Willis Corson, cleaning vault	5.00
Willis Corson, grading	5.00
George Bickford, hauling wood	4.00
White Mountain Power Co.	87.23
Arthur Beaudry, work on chimney	1.75
T. S. Baker, supplies	10.08
Farmington Gas and Appliance Co., gas for cooking	36.85
Farmington Gas and Appliance Co., cook stove	168.00
G. B. Taylor, floor oil and bolts	6.00
G. B. Taylor, supplies	5.77
John Ricker, six cords wood	72.00
W. H. Davenhall, dishes	33.89
Reed's Oil Service	46.36
Harry Knox, fixing windows and bulkhead	97.00
I. P. Berry & Son, insurance on building, town hall and grader	200.00
New Durham Lumber Co.	8.00

\$1,241.73

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Raymond Grenier, salary	\$50.00	
Walter March, special police	8.00	
		\$58.00

FIRE COMMISSION

Fire Commission		\$1,500.00
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FOREST FIRES

Forest fire truck	\$200.00	
State Forestry Department, six pumps	46.44	
American Equipment Co., five fire extinguishers	29.00	
H. A. Giles, forest fire meeting	4.00	
George Bickford, forest fire meeting	5.20	
Roy Berry, forest fire meeting	4.00	
Roy Berry, payroll, Jennings' fire	5.50	
		\$294.14

REPORT OF FIRE COMMISSION

Fred W. Reed, kerosene	\$135.94
Willis Corson, janitor service	18.00
White Mt. Power Co.	.65
Boarding house fire	8.00
Lambertson fire	9.00
American Fire Equipment Co., red flasher for truck	7.00
N. H. Firemen's Assn.	29.00
Carroll D. Piper, group insurance	100.00
Tash fire	27.00
Varney fire	9.00
Harry Nutter, plywood and paint for firehouse	14.17
I. P. Berry & Son, insurance on fire truck	5.60
Cora Baxter fire	6.00
Town dump fire	3.50
Fire Protection Company, new hose	306.50
Fire Protection Company, pumper and hose for Lake Region	589.50
Deshon fire	7.00

Wyman's Garage, parts for truck	3.32	
Delaware Feed Stores, supplies for firehouse	3.80	
T. S. Baker, anti-freeze for truck	1.35	
Herman Ford fire	8.00	
Catheart fire	3.00	
Harry Knox, new door for firehouse	53.00	
Bickford fire	8.00	
Firemen's pay	98.00	
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Total expenditures for 1948	\$1,454.33	\$1,454.33
Total money	1,403.45	
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Deficit	\$50.88	

BOUNTIES

Harry Nutter	\$68.50	
William Smith	42.00	
W. E. Richards	4.00	
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		\$114.50

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Dona Rand, cleaning dump	\$3.00	
Roy Nickerson, cleaning dump	6.75	
Arnold Hayes, cleaning dump	3.75	
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		\$13.50

VITAL STATISTICS

Vital statistics		\$4.00
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HIGHWAY, SNOW REMOVAL

Anclair Trans. Co.	\$4.50
American Bosch Co.	.43
Alden Machine Co.	16.75
American Fire Co.	15.23
Aiken, Lewis	.75
Berry, Joe	4.88
Beaudry, Arthur	6.00
Berry, Nelson	2.45
Bailey Auto Supply	50.08
Berry, Robert	166.84

Berry, Willis	69.50
Colony Service Station	35.15
Corson, Willis	12.00
Cooper, J. H.	24.88
E. Dyer, Jr.	8.00
Edgerly, Chester	5.25
Fournier, Harold	12.34
Grenier, Rene	328.53
Hazelton, R. C., Co.	226.43
Hayes, Leon	394.37
Hayes, Arnold	37.76
Hayes, John	10.00
Hayes, Abbott	45.38
Hayes, Everett	110.13
Hervey's Tire Shop	7.18
Hayes, Maurice	12.25
Internal Revenue	13.20
Langley, Nat.	2.25
Mack Motor Co.	424.30
McKeen, Donald	28.13
Miller, Richard	41.50
Nutter, Harry	38.73
N. H. Explosive Co.	56.80
Palmer, Charles	4.25
Rand, Newall	11.25
Reed's Oil Service	388.94
R. H. Smith Co.	44.71
Rand, Dona	18.18
Seavey Hardware Co.	12.22
Smith, William	14.00
Smith, Alfred	11.50
Taylor, G. B.	10.15
Wyman's Garage	8.50
Woodard, Otis	9.50
Winn, George	18.38
Wentworth, Ralph	4.50
Wolfeboro, town of	171.25
Young, Elze	4.50

\$2,943.80

HIGHWAY, SUMMER

J. P. Berry	\$178.37
Nelson Berry	26.50

Bailey's Auto	15.85
Roy Berry	2.25
Jack Burns	98.34
Clarence Bartlett	4.50
Commissioner of Motor Vehicles	53.16
Charles Chamberlain	22.50
J. H. Cooper	151.60
William Drew	16.50
Rene Grenier	686.50
Hazelton Co.	306.41
Everett Hayes	1.88
John Hamilton	27.00
Leon Hayes	178.82
Lester Hill	8.25
Internal Revenue	40.40
Anna Morin	1.18
Richard Miller	15.00
New England Lumber Co.	1.56
Harry Nutter	11.60
William Richards	4.00
Reed's Oil Service	328.94
Seavey Hardware	43.04
Alfred Smith	6.00
William Smith	9.88
Walter March	1.50
G. B. Taylor	25.49
Maurice Hayes	39.40
Peterson's Express	2.48
George Emery	15.00
State of New Hampshire	646.72
Daddario	125.00
Joe Kenniston	64.25
Harry Gray	48.00
George Winn	224.35
Clinton Woodward	2.50
Irving Willey	133.13
Lawrence Corson	1.50
Harry Knox	50.20
Leon Hayes	236.86
J. P. Rand	55.50
Brackett & Shaw	28.57
Clarence Fairchild	8.00
Central Tire Co.	9.10
Wyman's Garage	5.71

Dunlop Tire Co.	40.27	
Fownes Lumber Co.	31.85	
Arnold Hayes	9.00	
Fournier's Service Station	20.00	
Palmer Hardware	1.20	
Dona Rand	9.00	
Kirk's Service Station	10.50	
Willis Corson	.50	
Town of Farmington	140.00	
Robert Berry	15.75	
		\$4,241.46

MISCELLANEOUS

Wiring shed	\$97.31	
Lakes Region Assn.	51.00	
American Legion	25.00	
Notice to dog owners	12.00	
Balance due state of New Hampshire on special \$3.00 poll taxes	63.48	
Dog damage	25.00	
		\$273.79

LIBRARIES

Libraries		\$100.00
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STREET LIGHTING

White Mountain Power Co.	\$549.39	
Public Service Co.	66.00	
		\$615.39

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Old age assistance		\$772.15
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TOWN POOR

G. B. Taylor, groceries, Carl Vigent	\$130.48
Dr. H. E. Appleyard, medical, Carl Vigent	181.00
Norman Otis, burial, Carl Vigent	108.00
E. Martineau, board, Mary Berry	28.35
Cora Labrie, board, Mary Berry	94.12
Huggins hospital, medical, Carl Vigent	66.20

Harry Nutter, medical, Carl Vigent	10.00	
T. S. Baker, for E. Edgerly, groceries	12.00	
T. S. Baker, for groceries, C. Deshon	39.00	
Dr. A. N. Bonano, for E. Berry	12.00	
Robins Dress Shop	22.98	
		\$704.13

COUNTY TAX

County tax		\$1,777.78
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NEW EQUIPMENT

New equipment		\$2,598.64
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AUDITORS' REPORT

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Library Trustees, Trustees of Trust Funds and Fire Commission and find the same to be correctly cast and properly vouched.

EVELYN U. BAKER,

T. STERLING BAKER,

Auditors.

New Durham, N. H., February 3, 1949.

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Your local organization to prevent and extinguish brush and woods fires is glad to report a good year of forest protection in 1948. In spite of danger conditions nearly equalling at times those of 1947 when great losses were suffered in New Hampshire and New England, fire damage and loss this year have been gratifyingly low.

With the continuing cooperation of all the people, we can hope to have another successful year in 1949. Let us remember that in any year, over 90% of all fires are caused by carelessness and that all of these man-caused fires are preventable.

Today, we have more slash and uncut grassland than for many years in the past. Smokers, campers and tourists who use our outdoors are also more numerous than ever before. We must therefore be ready for fires which might occur but, above all, prevention by everyone is the greatest need.

A few simple precautions taken by every citizen will help, as follows:

- (1) Always get a written permit from the warden before kindling a fire outdoors when the ground is not covered with snow.
- (2) If you smoke, always extinguish matches and tobacco before dropping or throwing them down. In automobiles, always use the ash trays.
- (3) Report fires and smokes to the warden without delay.

The observance of these and other simple rules will go far to insure safety from fire damage and your cooperation in this way is earnestly solicited.

1948 fire record:

Number of fires	1
Acreage burned	Spot fire
Number of fire permits issued	32

Respectfully submitted,

H. A. GILES,

Forest Fire Warden.

S. H. BOOMER,

District Fire Chief.

NEW DURHAM FIRE COMPANY

Your fire department has grown in the past year in several ways. New equipment has been added by placing a portable pumper at Merrymeeting lake. This equipment is cared for at the fish rearing station and is equipped with adequate hose and nozzles. This was purchased from money raised at the last town meeting. The new tank truck was added by the members and was made possible by the generous donations of both residents and non-residents. A clubroom has been provided over the fire station, complete with heat, pool table and other games, and was paid for solely by the members of the company and is maintained by them. You are invited to inspect these improvements. Why not make it on town meeting day?

HARRY NUTTER, Chief.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DONATIONS TO THE FIRE TRUCK FUND

To the residents and non-residents of New Durham, we wish to acknowledge your contribution and extend our sincere thanks. You have made it possible to add a much needed piece of equipment to your fire department. This truck is now equipped with a five hundred gallon water tank, suitable pump and hose, along with other small tools. This equipment has been turned over to the town and all bills are paid. The material cost was over a thousand dollars. All labor was donated. Following is a list of contributors:

RESIDENT

T. S. Baker	Ethel Lambertson
Izah Berry	Arthur Beaudry
Elmer Kennison	Walter Burnett
Harry Nutter	John Hamilton
Neil Willett	Effie Simpson
Everett Dyer, Sr.	Jennie Johnson
George Taylor	Irving Davis
Clarence Bartlett	Bessie Hayes
Robert Bickford	George Bickford
George Laney, Sr.	Edward Smith
Louie Holtzberger	Donald McKeen

Harry Hillsgrove	Walter Miller
Ray Mills	Andy Bridenbach
Horace Neal	William Smith
Lenora Welden	George Winn
Maurice Barber	Peerless Mfg. Co.
Arthur Joy	George Loesch
Robert Ferguson	Earl Hill
Frank Moulton	Harley Giles
Harry Bickford	Jesse Robbins
Walter Searles	Harold Cilley
Harry Cooper	William Nehring
Harold Rollins	Winn Tibbetts
Roy Berry	Ralph Richardson
N. D. Ridge Assn.	William Campbell
William Drew	Herbert Biron
Douglas Langille	Walter Erickson
Cecil Laney	Searles and Taylor
Ernie Hayes	

NON-RESIDENT

Edna Fuller	Warren Bodwell
Errol Hall	Howard Outwater
Arnold Cheney	Warren Fall
Edward Thornton	Howard Dickie
Lua Pike	C. L. Hoitt
George Collier	Birch Hill Camps
Homer Piquette	Franklin Flanders
William Tarello	Delaware Feed Stores
Everett Perkins	Tom Qualey
John Tracy	Howard Northridge
Harold Van Keuren	Harold Brownell
Irving Jennings	Amoskeag Athletic Assn.
Walter Fuller	Farmington Fish & Game
George Jones	Mr. Palumbo
John Ricker	Leon Palmer
Mr. Hancock	J. A. Tracy
George Marks	
Received from resident contributions	\$385.00
Received from non-resident contributions	396.00
Received from Forest Fire Department	200.00

Total \$981.00

HARRY NUTTER,
EVERETT DYER, SR.,
ROY BERRY,

Fund Committee for Truck.

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF NEW DURHAM, N. H.

Date of Creation	TRUST FUNDS—Purpose of Creation	HOW INVESTED	Amt of Principal	Rate of Interest	Balance of Income on hand at beginning of year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance of Income on hand at end of year
1900	Durgin cemetery fund	S. A. Gray	\$75.00	2 3/4	\$33.59	\$2.74	\$18.50	\$17.83
1912	Hayes cemetery fund	Irena C. Brooks	100.00	2 3/4	72.74	4.17	2.00	74.64
1923	Brackett cemetery fund, S. H. and C. E. Brackett and W. H. and H. W. Miller	U. S. Bonds and	100.00	2 3/4	41.26	3.56	2.50	42.32
1923	Rollins cemetery fund	Julia E. Rollins	50.00	2 1/2	21.51	1.69	1.50	21.70
1925	Chamberlin cemetery fund	Lovey M. Chamberlin	50.00	2 1/2	2.53	1.31	1.25	2.59
1929	Davis cemetery fund	Heleen E. Davis	100.00	2 1/2	22.82	2.96	2.00	23.78
1932	Tash cemetery fund	John N. Tash	150.00	2 3/4	64.39	5.39	2.00	67.78
1933	Gray cemetery fund	Carrie S. Perkins	200.00	2 3/4	14.33	5.80	3.00	17.13
1941	Reed cemetery fund	Cora C. Reed	150.00	2 3/4	15.69	4.45	1.00	19.14
1945	Brown-French cemetery fund, E. Rust, I. Saltzman, M. Avery and M. Nichols	Loan Association	200.00	2 1/2	3.13	5.10	4.00	4.23
			\$1,175.00		\$292.72	\$37.17	\$37.75	\$291.14

Surplus income deposited each year in savings department of Farmington, N. H., National Bank.

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

Respectfully submitted, WALTER H. MILLER, GEORGE E. WINN, GEORGE E. BICKFORD, Trustees.

Dated January 19, 1949.

Births Registered in the Town of New Durham, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1948

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of the Child, if any	sex condition		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Residence of Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
			Male	Female						
1948	N Durham	Gloria Jean	F	L	Warren A Hayes	Virginia Wyatt	N Durham	Lumberman	N Durham	Farmington
Jan 2	Rochester	Leon Ernest	M	L	Joseph E Grotreau	Mary R. Bolduc	"	Truck driver	Rochester	Somersworth
**Mar 1	Wolfeboro	Sitella Lee	F	L	Leo Cardinal	Ethel M Shaw	"	Socomy	Farmington	Farmington
**May 24	Rochester	Altha Lee	F	L	Henry E Morin	M B Willard	"	Truck driver	Effingham	Effingham
**May 31	Wolfeboro	Rg ma A Jene	F	L	Chaxter G Edgerly	Ethel E Hale	"	Laborer	Craftsbury Vt	Stowe Vt
**Jun 11	Wolfeboro	Romney Lee	F	L	Wilbur J Drew	C M Willard	"	"	Sandwich	Alton
**Jul 21	Wolfeboro	Karey Lee	F	L	1 Unknown	Doris M Burres	"	Shoemaker	Farmington	Gillman Vt
**Jul 22	Wolfeboro	Wyneta A	F	L	1 Unknown	Irene S Scofield	"	Woodsman	Farmington	Farmington
**Sp 10	Wolfeboro	Shelia May	F	L	1 Chas Randall Jr	R S Thurston	"	"	Farmstead	N Durham
**Sp 24	Rochester	Wyneta A	F	L	13 Herman L Ford	May E Gardner	"	Hatchery Supt	Lowell Mass	Boston Mass
**Nov 20	Wolfeboro	Dorothy My	F	L	3 Martin W Sullivan	May E Gardner	"	Mechanic	Poston Mass	Malden Mass
**Dec 1	S'nhams	Barbara E	F	L	Fred A Sweet Jr	Mildred Roberts	"	Landscape Nurs'y	N thannton Mas	N thannton Mas
**Dec 8	Rochester	Curtis Gl vin	M	L	2 Wm Hans Nehring	Vava M Davis	"	"	N thannton Mas	N thannton Mas

*Original Record in Rochester, N. H.
 **Original Record in Wolfeboro, N. H.
 ***Original Record in Dover, N. H.
 ****Original Record in Stoneham, Mass.

Deaths Registered in the Town of New Durham, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1948

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	S and C		Place of Birth		Maiden Name of Mother
			Years	Months	Days		M or W	Female	Male	Father	
Feb 29	Wolfeboro	Martin Thurston	75	6	6	Not learned	M	W	Laborer	Not learned	Not learned
Apr 24	N Durham	Carl N Vigent	64	4	3	Vermont	M	D	"	"	Alma Clarke
June 22	Wolfeboro	Jessiah Thurston	84	17	17	Effingham	M	M	"	"	Joseph Thurston
Oct 9	Wolfeboro	Frd A Langley	74	5	2	New Durham	M	W	Farmer	N Durham	Samuel Langley

Marriages Registered in the Town of New Durham, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1948

Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of marriage	Age in Years	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of Birth of Each	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	Condition	Name, Residence and Official Status of person by whom married
*May 29		Clarence R. York Mary Anna Dionne	N Durham Rochester	28 27	Woodsmen Domestic	Gilm't n't W Som'sworth	Raymond York Caroline E. Jones Louise J. Dionne Anna Couture	Belmont Gilmanton Canada	Laborer At home Mill operator Housewife	1 1	Earle Luscombe Minister Rochester
Jne 25	ND'ham	Robert E. Parker Elizabeth Hayes	Portsm'th N Durham	24 19	Mechanic Brushmaker	Portsmouth N Durham	Elmer E. Parker Hazel E. Ames Everett W. Hayes Rosaria Grenier James Parfitt	Ellsworth Me Alexandria N Durham Rochester England	Housewife Navy Yard Housewife Truck driver Housewife	1 1	Ever't H. Scruton Minister Hampton Falls
**July 3	F'm'gton	James N Parfitt Margaret Bunker	" F'm'ngton	65 60	Dier. Antiques Gift Sh'p Ow'r	Stadley Mas Lincoln Mass	Mary H. Craven John Hartwell Edith H. Allen	England	Furniture Mer Housewife Farmer	2 2	Miles D. Blanchard Minister Farmington
***	4 Gonic	Robert W. Haller Glenna V. Lanoux	N Durham Gonic	25 22	Student Office Clerk	Lawrence Ms Gonic	Walter Haller Hilda L. Berger Elphage J. Lanoux Hilda V. Bowie	Blue Hill Me Lawrence Mas Manchester Gonic	Housewife Shoemaker Housewife M.H. Foreman	1 1	E. B. Tetley Minister Gonic
**	10 F'm'gton	Cecil N. Laney Virginia Thurston	N Durham "	27 20	Laborer At home	Alton Farmington	George E. Laney Hazel Nutter William H. Shaw Mabel Ricker	W. Baldwin Me Skowhegan Me Dover Farmington	Housewife Laborer Shoe Sp Wker Shoe Cbbler	1 2	Ned L. Panker J of P Farmington
**	22 "	RD Bickerstaffe Jr Claire M. Coyne	" F'm'ngton	21 19	Student Shoemaker	Boston Mass C'mb'dges Ms	Margaret Berry Wm J. Coyne	England Jersey City NJ Cambridge Ms	Housewife Foreman Foreman	1 1	Arthur J. Dufour Priest Farmington
Aug 8	ND'ham	Fl. Everett Dyer Jr Barbara M. Berry	N Durham "	22 20	Carpenter At home	Melrose Mass N Durham	Sally Mc Hogan F. Everett Dyer Sr Jeanne Ferrin Roy W. Berry C. MacKenzie	Avon Mass. Rouen France N Durham Cambridge Ms	Housewife Housewife Farmer Housewife	1 1	Ever't H. Scruton Minister Hampton Falls

*Original Record in Rochester, N. H.
 **Original Record in Farmington, N. H.
 ***Original Record in Rochester, N. H.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF
NEW DURHAM, N. H.

THE GOLDEN RULE OF EDUCATION

The first duty of the school is to teach pupils to do better the desirable things that they will do anyway.

Another duty of the school is to reveal higher activities and make them both desired and maximally possible.

Thomas H. Briggs.

FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE THIRTIETH

1948

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PART I. ADMINISTRATION AND ORGANIZATION

(a) Officers of the School District

Moderator: Walter H. Miller

Clerk: Carrie M. Miller

School Board

ALTIE SMITH, Chairman TERM EXPIRES 1949

JAMES H. COOPER TERM EXPIRES 1950

MAURICE DAVIS TERM EXPIRES 1951

Treasurer: Helen F. Bickford

Auditor: Walter H. Miller

Superintendent of Schools: George E. Holloway, Jr.

Truant Officer: Ernest Hayes

Census Taker: Helen F. Bickford

School Nurse: Ruth S. Langille

(b) Report of the Superintendent

1. Problems and Conditions General to the Union

"It seems almost needless for me to take time and space to impress on you the fact that the greatest crisis to American democracy is the teacher problem, when every paper and magazine is teeming with data confirming this statement". Thus began Frederick T. Johnson's annual report to the several towns in this Union in January, 1920.

For the past two years, my reports have called your attention to a similar situation. This year I am pleased to report that our children and our schools have fared better. Two years ago, twenty new teachers were hired; a year ago, twenty-six, five of whom were additional teachers; and this year, only eleven new teachers were needed, and two of these were additional teachers.

Teachers throughout this Union are receiving salaries equal to the average for the state. Improved housing conditions, cooperative parents, and better school facilities, along with better salaries, have helped to stabilize our faculty situation, thereby improving the continuity of instruction for the students. It is to be hoped that the districts in this Union can continue to hold these gains.

I must remind you, though, that our country faces a tremendous increase in school enrollment in the next five years as a result of our so-called war babies. This increase which will reach a million a year for the next five years will demand more teachers from an already limited supply. While the increased enrollment will not be evident in most of this area, the demand for additional teachers exists in other areas and will be felt here where replacements are necessary. Whether our children will continue to have well-trained teachers will depend upon our ability to hold the gains which have been made in the past two years.

BUILDINGS

All of the districts in this Union have continued to recondition present buildings. Three schools have new heating units. Improved lighting has been added in four schools. Running water has been installed to two schools, so that all schools in this Union now have run-

ning water and drinking fountains. All buildings now have some rooms which have been re-painted in the past two years. Three buildings have had all rooms and corridors painted. New window shades have been installed in several buildings, and others are on order.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

Hot lunch programs continue to operate in five of the six districts in this Union. Three districts improved their lunch room facilities during the past year. Paid adult workers are now employed in all of these programs. In two schools, these programs gross over a thousand dollars a month.

The Federal Government pays nine cents toward each meal served, if the one-half pint of milk is provided.

Several thousand dollars worth of surplus commodities have been received for use in these programs. The distribution and the handling of this material has been no small task. On one occasion, this Union received one hundred and twenty-five 100-pound sacks of potatoes. Since September, the participating schools have shared, proportionally, the following: 30 cans of orange juice, 14,500 pounds of potatoes, 18 cases or 450 pounds of apricots, 1,680 cans of applesauce, 214 boxes of dried milk, 204 boxes of honey, 17 cases or 510 pounds of dried prunes, 900 cans of tomatoes, 180 5-pound boxes cheese and 15 cases or 480 pounds of dried raisins. It should be noted that, for schools to share in the surplus commodities, the lunch program must meet certain Federal requirements.

INSTRUCTION

All of the worn and out-dated text-books should be replaced by next September. If you have seen any of these new books, you can realize that publishers and authors are giving the children outstanding products today. Committees from all of the schools in the Union have been working on the selection of text-books and subject material.

For two years now, all of the students in grades one through eight, except grade three, have been given standardized tests so that their achievements can be compared with those of other children throughout the nation. Parents have been encouraged to see the results of these tests and to learn where their children stand in comparison with other children in the same grade level.

Your school boards have studied these results also, with view to evaluating the job being done in the several classes. Committees of teachers already selected plan to meet in the coming months to consider the findings of the testing program, to evaluate the subject matter taught in each grade and to recommend revisions where warranted.

As a preliminary step to setting up a guidance program, files are being purchased for all schools and individual folders on each student are being built up.

All teachers in the Union attended an art workshop for three days in December, under the direction of Dr. Mildred Landis, director of art for the State Department of education of New Hampshire. The workshop has done much to stimulate interest and to develop latent abilities in art.

The previous spring, an afternoon and evening workshop in physical education was held in Pittsfield for all of the teachers of the Union. These sessions were under the direction of Miss Grace Felker, supervisor of health and physical education for the State Department.

Modern devices of instruction, such as moving-picture machines, radios, and victrolas are available in all of our schools. Two school districts have tape recorders and one school has radio reception in every room.

Forty-six percent of the teachers in the Union took extension courses either last summer or during the previous term.

Through teacher visitation, bulletins, and meetings, your teachers are being encouraged to constantly improve instruction. To further encourage this growth, a professional library has been established for their use.

RECOMMENDATION

This is a crucial year in education. Both the state and national legislative bodies are in session, both have many bills before them which can benefit our children. As interested citizens, it is our duty to study the many problems and to make known to our duly elected representatives our opinions on these various issues.

Your continued interest and support of the schools is essential to their success.

2 The Local Situation

With your new heating plant, well, water pump, drinking fountains, new kitchen and other hot lunch facilities, you have one of the most complete two room schools in the state.

The children in New Durham have two superior teachers and your eighth grade students are happy that they are with other students of their own age and enjoying the added facilities of the larger school. The records which the eighth grade students have made in Alton attest to the splendid training they had last year. You must also be pleased to see more of your children continuing on to high school.

Mrs. Choate deserves special commendation for the efficient way in which she has been conducting the lunch program. Ninety percent of the students who remain at school during the noon hour are buying the hot lunches.

To the school board, teachers, parents and other adults who have no children in school but who have expressed their pleasure in our progress, I should like to declare my appreciation for the cooperation which has made possible these accomplishments.

PART II. INSTRUCTION

(a) Teachers

As of February 1, 1949

Teacher	Position	Enrollment
Helena Drew	Principal and Grades 5, 6, 7	20
Hazel Hart (L. 10/31/48)	Grades 1, 2, 3, 4	22
Lillian Beckley (E. 11/1/48)		

PART III. FINANCE

(a) Annual Report of the District Treasurer for School Year 1947-48

Cash on hand June 30, 1947 (Treasurer's bank balance)	\$260.91
Received from selectmen:	
Appropriations for current year	\$12,266.56
Dog tax	186.78

Received from state treasurer	4,043.63	
Received from all other sources	235.80	
		\$16,732.77
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Total amount available for fiscal year (balance and receipts)		\$16,993.68
Less school board orders paid		16,976.11
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Balance on hand as of June 30, 1948 (Treasurer's bank balance)		\$17.57

HELEN F. BICKFORD,
July 19, 1948 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 New Durham, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, and find them correct in all respects.

WALTER H. MILLER,
July 28, 1948. Auditor.

(b) Financial Report of the School Board for
School Year, 1947-48

RECEIPTS

State and federal aid:		
National school lunch	\$156.06	
Equalization and general aid	4,043.63	
Income from local taxation:		
Support of schools, tuition, salaries, debt and interest	12,266.56	
From sources other than taxation:		
Dog licenses	186.78	
Elementary school tuitions	60.00	
Other receipts	19.74	
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Total receipts from all sources		\$16,732.77
Cash on hand at beginning of year, July 1, 1947		260.91
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Grand total		\$16,993.68

PAYMENTS

Administration:	
Salaries of district officers	\$171.00
Superintendent's excess salary	213.84
Tax for state-wide supervision	154.00
Expenses of administration	239.13
Instruction:	
Principals' and teachers' salaries	5,562.80
Text books	167.55
Scholars' supplies	485.94
Other expenses	90.77
Operation of school plant:	
Janitors' salaries	389.60
Fuel or heat	578.09
Water, light, janitors' supplies	46.43
Repairs and replacements	432.66
Auxiliary activities:	
Health supervision, salaries and expenses	204.28
Transportation	4,722.52
Tuition, elementary and secondary	2,044.90
Other activities: school lunches	
Labor	40.00
General	156.06
Equipment	226.21
Other	6.40
Fixed charges:	
Insurance	50.00
Capital outlay:	
Improvements to buildings	597.93
New equipment	300.00
Debt, interest and other charges:	
Payment of bills from previous year	96.00
Total payments for all purposes	\$16,976.11
Total cash on hand at end of year, (June 30, 1948)	17.57
Grand total	\$16,993.68

BALANCE SHEET, JUNE 30, 1948
ASSETS

Cash on hand:	
Balance, June 30, 1948	\$17.57
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Total assets	\$17.57
Excess of liabilities over assets	.58
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Grand total	\$18.15

LIABILITIES

Accounts owed by district:	
Farmington school district	\$18.15
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Total liabilities	\$18.15
Excess of assets over liabilities	0.00
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Grand total	\$18.15

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of New Durham of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1948, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

WALTER H. MILLER,

July 28, 1948

Auditor.

(c) District Revenue for the School Year, 1948-49

Support of schools:

School board budget of necessary expenses of instruction, operation and special activities	\$12,504.30
Other statutory requirements:	
Salaries of district officers	\$161.00
Truant officer and school census	25.00
Superintendent's excess salary	250.00
\$2 per capita tax for supervision	154.00
Tuition in high schools and academies	1,900.00
Other obligations imposed by law or established by district	260.00
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	\$2,750.00

Special appropriations:	
New equipment	\$150.00
Deficiency appropriations, 1946-47	1,000.00
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	\$1,150.00
Total amount of school board's budget and special appro- priations made by district	<hr/> \$16,404.30
Deductions for estimated income of district from sources other current taxation	4,137.74
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Amount to be raised by taxation for budget and appropriations	\$12,266.56

CERTIFICATES

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the obligations authorized, and the amounts to be assessed to meet statutory requirements and appropriations made at the annual meeting of the New Durham school district held July 14, 1948.

CARRIE M. MILLER,

July 14, 1948.

Clerk of the School District.

To the State Board of Education:

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the financial proceedings of the district for 1948, and that copies of this statement have been filed with the chairman of the board of selectmen and entered in the records of the school board.

ALTIE H. SMITH,

July 14, 1948.

Chairman of the School Board.

(d) School Board's Estimate for 1949-50

Support of schools:

Salaries of teachers and principals	\$4,600.00
Books and other instructional aids	200.00
Scholars' supplies	300.00
Other instructional expenses	100.00
Salaries of janitors	400.00
Fuel or heat	400.00
Water, light, supplies and expenses	150.00
Repairs and replacements	900.00
Health supervision	225.00
Transportation of pupils	4,200.00
Elementary tuition	800.00
New equipment	200.00
Special activities and special funds	200.00

\$12,675.00

Other statutory requirements:

Salaries of district officers	\$186.00
Superintendent's salary (local source)	275.00
Tax for state-wide supervision	156.00
High school tuition	3,060.00
Other obligations:	
Expenses of administration	275.00
Insurance, treasurer's bonds and expenses	90.00
Retirement	150.00

\$4,192.00

Total amount required to meet school board's budget

\$16,867.00

ESTIMATED INCOME OF DISTRICT

State aid for year \$4,043.63

\$4,043.63

Total assessment required to cover budget and appropriations

\$12,823.37

PART IV. CHILD ACCOUNTING AND STATISTICS

(a) High School Pupils, 1948-49

There were fourteen pupils enrolled in the secondary schools in the fall, as follows:

Alton high school: Joan Adams, Grade 9; Mary Adams, Grade 9; Alberta Staples, Grade 9; Shirley Smith, Grade 10; Clinton Woodard, Grade 10; Duane Martin, Grade 11.

Farmington high school: Mary Alice Joyce, Grade 11.

Rochester high school: Lawrence Corson, Grade 10; Carlton Chamberlin, Grade 11; Kathleen Haines, Grade 11; Arthur Joy, Grade 10; Earl Joy, Grade 9; Dorrington Lambertson, Grade 12; and Otis Woodard, Grade 12.

(b) Statistics for the Year Ending June 30, 1948

Average number of half-days schools were	
in session	348
Average membership	54.33
Average attendance	51.96
Aggregate attendance in half-days	18086
Per cent of attendance	95.26
Pupils not absent nor tardy	1
Cases of tardiness	21
Average number of tardinesses per pupil	.50
Non-resident pupils	2
Pupils transported at district expense	30
Visits by superintendent	34
Average number of visits by superintendent	
per teacher	11
Visits by citizens	19
Visits by board members	6

(c) Census, September 30, 1948

Ages (as of Sept. 1, 1948)	No. of Children		No. Children Attending Public School	No. Children Attending Private & Parochial Sch.	Children Not Attending School Completed Elem. School
	Total	Boys			
Less than 1	13	4	9		
1	10	6	4		
2	8	6	2		
3	8	4	4		
4	10	6	4		
5	4	2	2		
6	3	1	2		
7	7	3	4	3	
8	4	4	4	7	
9	7	6	1	4	
10	3	1	2	7	
11	7	5	2	3	
12	9	7	2	7	
13	7	5	2	9	
14	7	2	5	7	
15	7	5	5	7	2
Totals	67	45	59	59	2
114					2

PART V. AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES and SPECIAL REPORTS**(a) Report of School Health Work**

To the Townspeople, School Board and Superintendent of Schools:

Very little epidemic sickness required less follow-up than usual this year. It has been noticeable that there have been fewer colds passed from pupil to pupil since the new air conditioned heating system has been installed, making a uniform temperature of properly moistened, dust free air, freely circulated with no open windows needed for ventilation. All heavy wraps can now be removed and only used for outside winter weather, which makes less chance for perspiration and chilling. The newly dug and scientifically covered well, with pure running water, also makes sanitary bubblers available for drinking purposes. This is also partially responsible for the lessened colds.

Three pupils were taken to physicians: One for suspected communicable disease which turned out to be nothing serious; one a bad scald case who received first aid treatment at school before reference to the doctor; and a third who received a suspected fracture on the playground, which required treatment as if for fracture. All turned out not to be serious and had complete recovery.

Several children were followed up and investigated for the Welfare Department and all necessary hospital and clinic work was done. In one case the children were placed in a foster home away from bad family situation; in another they were taken to institutions where they could receive benefits of study and treatment. Needy families were helped to get some warm clothing during the cold months and all necessary follow-up was done as far as possible.

The hot lunch program started in New Durham last year and continues this year in the school building. It is needless to say that homes would find it difficult to duplicate the splendid meals being served the children during the noon hour. It is also interesting to note that these meals have largely replaced the tonic and sweets which most pupils spent their pennies for in previous times. These lunches should be a lasting benefit to the health, both physical and dental, of the pupils of New Durham.

Of all the defects found upon examination of New Durham pupils, the most prevalent is dental decay. Only twelve children appeared to receive dental corrections last year. This should be one of the next needs of our pupils to receive attention. If nothing else could be done, the florine treatments with the necessary cleaning should be attempted. It is now considered necessary to treat the teeth by painting them with four applications of sodium floride at intervals of one week to help prevent dental decay. It is said to prevent up to 40% of the decay and should be applied at intervals during the growth of the child, starting at a very early age, as soon as the baby teeth have come in. In this connection it is interesting to note that the dentists are all complaining that the increased use of "bubble gum" is partially undoing the beneficial work of florine and definitely increasing dental decay where no florine has been used. It would be well worthwhile to try to get the teeth of all pupils cleaned and treated with the florine. Perhaps we could then get some of them to dentists for the remainder of the work, such as the fillings and extractions, if the parents would cooperate with the necessary transportation and supervision.

As a whole, the health of New Durham pupils is better than it has been in some of the past years. Vision cases have been given attention. Greatly improved sanitation in the building and nutrition of the pupils must be reflected in the health of the pupils. The taxpayers of New Durham have done a great deal for its most valuable citizens—the children.

Following will be found a statistical report of school health work:

Visits to schools	114
Visits to homes	175
Total visits	289
Days spent	19.3
Days due	19
Hours spent	164
Travel time	33.20
Miles driven	1253—cost @.056c—\$70.71
Examined	59
Defects found	66—1.1 per pupil
Defects corrected	31—48% of defects
Without defect	27—45% of pupils

	Defects	Corrections
Vision	5	4—Glasses already worn, 3
Hearing	1	1
Teeth	33	12
Tonsils	19	7
Adenoids	8	7
Protection against communicable disease:		
Smallpox vaccination		58
Unsuccessful vaccination		1
Total		59—100%
Diphtheria immunization		40—67%
Work with pupils:		
Vision tests		59
Hearing tests		63
Weighed		174
Measured		174
Class room inspections		764
Individual inspections		66

PART VI. SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1949-50

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September 1—Principals' meeting.

September 2—Registration of new pupils.

September 6—Teachers' meeting.

September 7—School opens.

October 12—School closed—Columbus day.

November 11—School closed—Armistice day.

November 23—School closes at 1 p. m.—Thanksgiving recess.

November 28—School reopens.

December 21—School closes at 1 p. m.—Christmas vacation.

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January 2—School reopens.

February 17—School closes at 3 p. m.—midwinter vacation.

February 27—School reopens.

April 14—School closes at 3 p. m.—spring vacation.

April 24—School reopens.

May 30—School closed—Decoration day.

June 16—School closes for summer vacation.

(Days lost on account of bad weather will be made up beginning June 19 if necessary to complete 180 days of school.)

(Teachers may attend state teachers' conventions two days, appropriate county institutes and workshops totaling five days. These days are counted as part of the 180 days of school required by law.)

Month	No. of School Days
September	18
October	20
November	19
December	15
January	22
February	15
March	23
April	15
May	22
June	12
Total	181

(Easter Sunday is on April 9, 1950.)

PART VII. WARRANT FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the school district in the town of New Durham, N. H., qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the town hall, in said district on the eighth day of April, 1949, at 8 o'clock in the evening to act upon the following subjects:

- Article 1. To choose a moderator for the coming year.
- Article 2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.
- Article 3. To choose a member of the school board for the ensuing three years.
- Article 4. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.
- Article 5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the school board and truant officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers, or agents, of the district.

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

Article 7. To choose agents, auditors and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

Article 8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the school board to certify to the selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation, which balance is to be raised by taxes by the town.

Article 9. To see if the school district will vote to allow the New Durham Ridge Community association to lease the Ridge schoolhouse for a period of five (5) years, it being understood that if the lease is granted, the association will pay for the upkeep of the building, as well as the cost of insurance and lighting.

Article 10. To see if the district will vote to authorize the school board to sell the Ridge schoolhouse.

Article 11. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said New Durham, this eighteenth day of February, 1949.

MAURICE DAVIS,
ALTIE SMITH,
JAMES H. COOPER,

School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—attest:

MAURICE DAVIS,
ALTIE SMITH,
JAMES H. COOPER,

School Board.

