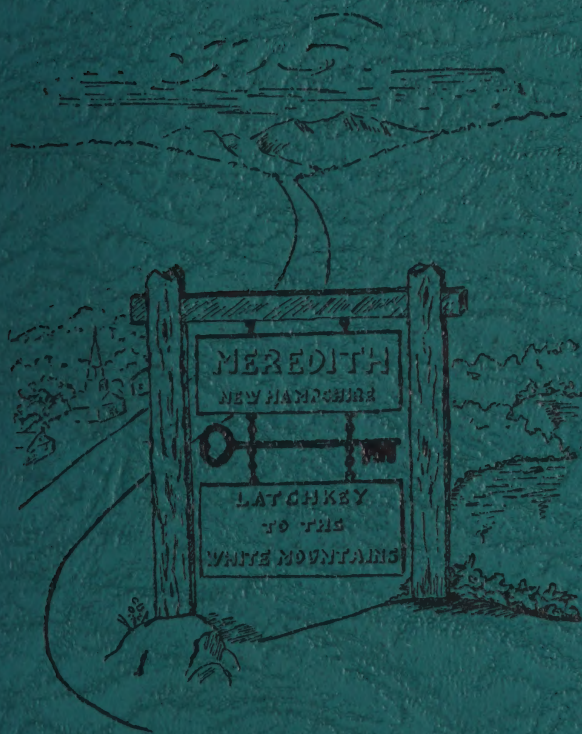


Annual Report of Officers

Town of Meredith



For Fiscal Year

Ending December 31, 1948

Annual Report of Officers

TOWN OF MEREDITH

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1948

TOWN OF MEREDITH

TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator	Arthur F. Pottle
Town Clerk	Guy U. Horne
Selectmen	Marshall S. Hodsdon Henry T. Boothby C. K. Plancon
Town Manager	Albert Gray, Jr.
Treasurer	Richard B. Wein
Tax Collector	Howard F. Weeks
Representatives	Joseph Smith Horace U. Ransom
Justice of Municipal Court	Ripley Ropes
Health Officer	Edwin C. Mansfield
Police Officer	Carroll Straw
Trustees of Trust Funds	John Beede Howard Morris Earle A. Welch
Supervisors of Check List	Shepherd Brown Marjorie Piper Paul Weeks
School Board	
Robert Prescott	Helen Pottle
Raymond Watson	Harold Piper
Jane Ambrose	Brad Sprague
Library Trustees	
Clyde C. Smith	Ralph F. Flather
Harold Greatorex	Mary Plancon
Auditors	State Tax Commission

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State of New Hampshire

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TOWN WARRANT

**To the Inhabitants of the Town of Meredith,
qualified to vote in Town Affairs:**

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday, the 8th day of March, 1949, at nine of the clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To bring in your ballots for Town Clerk, one Selectman for three years, Collector of Taxes, Treasurer for one year, one Trustee of Trust Funds for three years and two Library Trustees for three years.
2. To see if the Town will vote to revoke the Town Manager Plan as provided in Chapter 55 of the revised Laws as amended. (By Petition)
3. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of 1947 Public Acts and Joint Resolutions, Chapter 236, known as "An Act relative to Transference of the Powers and Duties of the Collector of Taxes to the Town Manager in certain cases." (By Petition)

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4. To choose all other necessary Town Officers.

5. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes.

6. To hear the report of the Budget and act thereon.

7. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise toward defraying the expenses of the Town Library.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five hundred dollars (\$500) for the Meredith Village Cemetery Association for care and betterment of the cemetery. (By request Meredith Village Cemetery Association)

9. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise toward the support of the Public Health Nurse.

10. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise for the benefit of the Laconia Hospital. (By request Laconia Hospital Association)

11. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise for the purchase of two new trucks.

12. To raise such sums of money as will be necessary for repairs of Highways and Bridges—summer maintenance.

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13. To raise such sums of money as will be necessary for snow removal and sanding—winter maintenance.

14. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for General Highway Expenses.

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$931.22 for Town Road Aid for construction, maintenance, and reconstruction of rural post roads and Class V highways provided the State will set aside \$3,725.28 for this purpose.

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,000.00 for construction of Pease Parade Road to Laconia Line, provided the State will set aside \$16,000.00 for this purpose.

17. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for Police Protection.

18. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate toward the support of the Fire Department.

19. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise toward the eradication of White Pine Blister Rust. (By request State Forester)

20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$427.00 which is 1/100 of one percent of the assessed valuation of the Town, to the Lakes Region Association for the purpose of publicizing and promoting the natural advantages and resources of the Town, in cooperation with other towns in the Lakes Region. (By request Lakes Region Assn.)

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21. To see what action the Town will take relative to the leasing of the Town Hall.

22. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the payment of Old Age Assistance and for the benefit of indigent persons chargeable to the Town of Meredith.

23. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate toward defraying the expenses of Band Concerts for the season of 1949.

24. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate toward the improvement of road on East side of Lake Winnisquam.

25. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to improve Jenness Hill Road.

26. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to improve Eaton Avenue in the Village.

27. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to improve the Moulton Road on Meredith Neck. (By Request)

28. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to improve Pinnacle Park Road.

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29. To see if the Town will vote to take over, maintain and operate the Information Booth; and to see if the Town will vote to raise Seven hundred dollars (\$700) for such maintenance and operation. (By Request)

30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower the Selectmen to issue bonds in the amount of \$75,000.00 in addition to amount raised on March 8, 1948, to defray the cost of the proposed sewage system.

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

Given under our hands the 21st day of February, 1949.

MARSHALL S. HODSDON
HENRY T. BOOTHBY
C. K. PLANCON

Selectmen of Meredith

A true copy—Attest:

MARSHALL S. HODSDON
HENRY T. BOOTHBY
C. K. PLANCON

Selectmen of Meredith

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BUDGET OF THE

TOWN OF MEREDITH, NEW HAMPSHIRE

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures
For the 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

Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue 1948	Actual Revenue 1948	Estimated Revenue 1949
From State:			
Interest and Dividend Tax	6,605.28	\$6,729.55	\$6,729.55
Railroad Tax	133.80	137.64	137.64
Savings Bank Tax	1,500.00	1,056.27	1,000.00
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Business Licenses and Permits	80.00	88.00	88.00
Fines & Forfeits, Municipal Court	100.00	209.25	150.00
Int. Rec'd. on Taxes & Deposits	150.00	428.83	400.00
Motor Vehicle Fees	4,500.00	5,908.84	5,908.00
Income, Rent of Town Property		40.00	
From Local Sources Other Than Property Taxes:			
Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2.00	2,162.00	2,208.00	2,200.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	54.00	37.23	37.23
Total Revenue from all Sources Except Property Taxes			\$16,650.42
Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes			\$159,568.08
Total Revenues			\$176,218.50

TOWN OF MEREDITH

BUDGET FOR 1949

	Aprop. 1948	Expend. 1948	Estimate 1949
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
Town Officers' Expenses	2,500.00	2,437.09	2,500.00
Town Clerk's Fees	500.00	470.00	500.00
Election & Registration	450.00	481.77	450.00
Municipal Court	200.00	200.00	200.00
Town Hall & Other Bldgs.	800.00	725.88	700.00
Tax Commission	135.00	93.05	125.00
Town Mgr. Salary & Expenses	3,200.00		
Salary		2,250.00	*3,600.00
Expenses		756.44	600.00
Office Help			1,400.00
PROTECTION of PERSONS and PROPERTY:			
Police Department	3,500.00	3,928.15	4,100.00
Fire Department	2,500.00	1,000.00	2,800.00
Forest Fires	150.00	206.49	200.00
Blister Rust	400.00	400.00	400.00
Insurance	750.00	1,338.25	2,100.00
Street Lighting	250.00	303.02	300.00
New Fire Truck		850.00	
HEALTH and SANITATION:			
Public Health Nurse	2,400.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
Health Officer	50.00	50.00	50.00
Laconia Hospital	500.00	500.00	500.00
Life Guard—Waukegan	200.00	200.00	200.00
HIGHWAYS and BRIDGES:			
Summer Maintenance	13,000.00	14,309.89	12,300.00
Winter Maintenance	12,000.00	13,161.09	10,200.00
Street Cleaning	500.00	525.50	500.00
Town Dump	250.00	502.10	400.00
General Expenses of Dept.	3,500.00	3,300.96	3,500.00
New Equipment	2,700.00	3,308.15	6,500.00
Town Construction			2,500.00
State Aid			
Libraries	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,700.00

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Cemeteries	500.00	500.00	500.00
Public Welfare	8,500.00	9,053.77	9,000.00
Patriotic Purposes	650.00	422.61	650.00
Parks & Playgrounds	1,900.00	1,739.58	1,600.00
Summer Sports Program	800.00	693.32	
Interest	1,727.00	1,610.84	1,532.50
Town Indebtedness	10,500.00	10,500.00	10,500.00
OTHER AGENCIES:			
County Tax	12,886.40	12,886.40	13,000.00
School	68,636.50		76,211.00
			<u>\$176,218.50</u>

* \$750.00 to be paid to town as precinct share of Manager's salary and expenses

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PUBLIC PROPERTY

Town Hall, Land & Other Buildings	\$10,000.00	
Furniture and Equipment	2,500.00	
Library, Land and Building	30,000.00	
Furniture and Equipment	10,000.00	
Fire Equipment	9,000.00	
Office Equipment and Furniture	1,000.00	

Highway Department:

4-Wheel Drive Walter Snow Fighter Plow	17,000.00	
Adams Grader	8,000.00	
International Power Grader	1,000.00	
Huber Maintainer	1,500.00	
International Side Wall Plow	2,500.00	
International Caterpillar Tractor	1,000.00	
Cold Patch Mixer	150.00	
5,000 Feet Snow Fence	200.00	
2 Road Sanders	200.00	

Parks and Playgrounds	10,000.00	
175 Acres, Forest Land	750.00	10,750.00

Land Acquired by Tax Title:

Andrew Webber Estate, Lot 31	150.00	
L. M. Pike, Woodlot, Merrill Pl.	100.00	250.00

Meredith Village Fire District:

Land for New Station	3,200.00	
Fire Dept. Land & Buildings	1,000.00	
Equipment	25,000.00	
Water Systems	55,000.00	84,200.00

School District:

Land and Buildings	64,000.00	
Equipment	5,200.00	69,200.00

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STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS
AND TAXES ASSESSED

Town Officers' Salaries	\$2,500.00
Town Officers' Expenses	2,500.00
Salary, Expense, Clerical, Town Manager	3,200.00
Election and Registration	450.00
Municipal Court Expenses	200.00
Town Hall and Buildings	800.00
Police Department	3,500.00
Fire Department	2,500.00
Blister Rust—Moth Extermination	400.00
Health Department	3,150.00
Vital Statistics	90.00
State Aid Construction	2,313.00
Forest Fires	150.00
Town Maintenance	25,000.00
Insurance—Highway	750.00
Audit Expense	135.00
Town Construction	12,000.00
Street Cleaning	500.00
Street Lighting	250.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	3,500.00
Public Dump	250.00
Aid to Soldiers	300.00
Town Clerk's Fees	500.00
Housing New Equipment	2,000.00
New Equipment	2,700.00
Libraries	1,800.00
Old Age Assistance	6,000.00
Town Poor	2,500.00
Memorial Day	325.00
Parks & Playgrounds, Inc., Band Concerts and Tree Spraying	1,900.00
Water and Electric Utilities	
Cemeteries	500.00
Organized Sports Program	800.00
Damages and Legal Expense	500.00

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Advertising and Regional Associations

Interest	1,727.50
Payments on Principal of Debt	10,500.00
County Tax	12,886.40
School Tax	68,636.50

Total Town and School Appropriations \$177,713.40

Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:

Interest and Dividend Tax	\$6,605.28	
Railroad Tax	133.80	
Savings Bank Tax	1,500.00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	4,500.00	
Business Licenses and Permits	80.00	
Fines & Forfeits—Municipal Court	100.00	
Rent of Town Property		
Interest Received on Taxes	150.00	13,069.08
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		164,644.32
Plus Overlay		4,035.22

Net Amount to be raised by Taxation		168,679.54
Less: Poll Taxes @ \$2.00	2,162.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	54.00	2,216.00
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Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes		166,463.54

TAXES TO BE COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR

Property Taxes	\$166,463.54
Poll Taxes @ \$2.00	2,162.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	54.00
Precinct Taxes	14,135.24
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	182,814.78

TAX RATE

Town	\$3.90
Precinct	4.70

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R E P O R T

**Of An Audit and Examination of the Accounts
of the**

TOWN OF MEREDITH

made by

The Division of Municipal Accounting

State Tax Commission

January 3 — 7, 1949

Division of Municipal Accounting

State Tax Commission—Concord, New Hampshire

February 4, 1949

Board of Selectmen

Meredith, New Hampshire

Gentlemen:

Submitted herewith is the report of the annual audit and examination of the account of the Town of Meredith for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1948, which was made by this Division in accordance with the vote of the Town. Exhibits as hereafter listed are included as part of the report.

Scope of Audit

Included in the audit and examination were the accounts and records of the Board of Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Town Clerk, Library Treasurer and Trustees of Trust Funds.

Financial Statements

Comparative Balance Sheets—

Dec. 31, 1947—Dec. 31, 1948:(Exhibit A)

Comparative Balance Sheets as of December 31, 1947 and December 31, 1948, are presented in Exhibit A. As indicated therein the Net Debt increased by \$10,067.25 during the year.

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Reconciliation of Change in Financial Condition:

(Exhibit A-1)

An analysis of the change in financial condition of the Town during the year is made in Exhibit A-1, with the factors which caused the increase in Net Debt indicated therein.

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures—Estimated and Actual Revenues:

(Exhibits B and C)

Comparative statements of appropriations and expenditures, estimated and actual revenues for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1948, are presented in Exhibits B and C. As indicated by the budget summary (Exhibit C), a net revenue surplus of \$2,364.44, less a net overdraft of appropriations of \$1,394.00, resulted in a net budget surplus of \$970.44.

Statement of Long Term Indebtedness: (Exhibit J)

A statement of long term indebtedness as of December 31, 1948, showing annual maturities of principal and interest, is contained in Exhibit J.

Summary of Receipts and Expenditures: (Exhibit D)

A summary of receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1948, made up in accordance with the uniform classification of accounts is included in Exhibit D. Proof of the Treasurer's balance as of December 31, 1948, is indicated in Exhibit D-1.

Audit Procedure

The accounts and records of all Town officials charged with the custody, receipt and disbursement of public funds were examined and audited. Vouchers and cancelled checks were compared with supporting invoices and payrolls as well as entries in the books of records. Receipts were checked by source insofar as

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possible and totals of receipts and expenditures verified. Book balances were verified by comparison with reconciled bank balances made from statements obtained from depository banks. Verification of uncollected taxes was made by mailing notices to delinquent taxpayers as indicated by the collector's records.

General Comments

The accounts and records of all town officials which we examined were found in good condition and the accounting procedure conformed to the uniform system prescribed by this Division.

The provisions of Section 31, Chapter 211, of the Laws of 1939, require that this report or a summary of its essential features shall be published in the next annual Town Report.

We extend our thanks to the officials of the Town of Meredith for their assistance during the course of the audit.

Yours very truly,

HAROLD G. FOWLER

Director

Division of Municipal Accounting
State Tax Commission

Alan R. Matthews, Auditor

Hugh J. Cassidy, Accountant

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Certificate of Audit

February 4, 1949

This is to certify that we have audited the accounts and records of the Town of Meredith for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1948, and found them to be in good order. In our opinion the Exhibits included herewith reflect the true financial condition of the Town of Meredith and the results of operations for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1948.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD G. FOWLER

Director

Division of Municipal Accounting
State Tax Commission

Alan R. Matthews, Auditor

Hugh J. Cassidy, Accountant

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EXHIBIT A

TOWN OF MEREDITH

Comparative Balance Sheets

Assets: as of	Dec. 31 1947	Dec. 31 1948
Cash on Hand:		
Treasurer's Account :		
General Funds	\$21,732.59	\$7,485.15
Certificate of Deposit (Fire)	33,120.63	
Special Sewer Const. Acct.		14,385.75
Road Agent's Account	550.65	
Capital Reserve Fund	3,000.00	39,318.11
State Highway Const. Funds on		
Deposit in State Treasury	2,790.83	
Bounties Due from State	37.00	102.00
Unredeemed Taxes	493.96	274.54
Uncollected Taxes	19,209.26	25,770.53
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Total Assets	\$80,934.92	\$87,336.08
Net Debt	68,408.84	78,476.09
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Total Assets and Net Debt	\$149,343.76	\$165,812.17

Liabilities

Special Poll Taxes Due State—		
Collected	\$	3.00
State Highway Const. Funds on		
Deposit in State Treasury	2,790.83	
School District Appropriation	20,108.00	\$25,036.50
Dog Licenses Due School Dist.	442.85	374.17
Capital Reserve Fund	3,000.00	39,318.11

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Unexpended Balances:

Proceeds of Fire Station Bonds \$33,000.00

Town Construction:

Proceeds of Long Term Notes	14,000.00	
Appropriation	6,399.08	4,860.87
Sewer Construction		14,385.75
Fire Dept. Approp.—to Precinct		1,400.00
Tax Map Appropriation (1946)	100.00	100.00
Bonds & Long Term Indebtedness	69,500.00	59,000.00
Short Term Indebtedness (Sewer)		20,000.00

Accounts Payable (Exhibit A-2):

Old Age Assistance to State		470.66
Town Clerk's Excess Remittance		6.42
Other Accounts		859.69
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Total Liabilities	\$149,343.76	\$165,812.17

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EXHIBIT A-1

TOWN OF MEREDITH

Reconciliation of Increase in Net Debt

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1948

Net Debt—December 31, 1948	\$78,476.09	
Net Debt—December 31, 1947	68,408.84	
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Increase in Net Debt		\$10,067.25

Reconciliation

Increases in Debt:

Short Term Note Issued	\$20,000.00	
Reduction of Road Agent's Cash on hand	550.65	
Accounts Payable	866.11	
Transfer of Interest Earned on Certificate of Deposit to Capital Reserve Fund	120.63	
Tax Collector's Excess Credit of 1947	.30	
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		\$21,537.69

Decreases in Debt:

Net Budget Surplus	\$ 970.44	
Bonds Matured & Long Term Notes Paid	\$10,500.00	11,470.44
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Increase in Net Debt		\$10,067.25

EXHIBIT B

TOWN OF MEREDITH

Comparative Statement of

Appropriations and Expenditures

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1948

Title of Account	Liabilities Forwarded from 1947	Appropriations	Receipts & Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Balances Unexpended	Forwarded to 1949 Assets Liabilities
	\$			\$	\$	\$	\$
Town Officers' Salaries		2,500.00		2,500.00			
Town Manager's Salary		3,200.00	511.09	3,711.09	5,304.10	1,406.99	
Town Clerk's Fees		500.00		500.00			
Town Officers' Expenses		2,500.00		2,500.00			
Annual Audit		135.00		135.00	3,159.73	524.73	
Election and Registration		450.00		450.00	481.77	31.77	
Municipal Court		200.00		200.00	200.00		
Town Hall and Other Bldgs.		800.00		800.00	611.63	188.37	
Police Department		3,500.00	5.00	3,505.00	3,928.15	423.15	1,400.00
Fire Dept. & Forest Fires		2,650.00	234.99	2,884.99	1,206.49	278.50	
Bliester Rust Control		400.00		400.00	400.00		
Bounties					102.00		
Health Department		3,150.00	250.00	3,400.00	3,802.10	152.10	
Town Dump		250.00		250.00			
Vital Statistics		90.00		90.00	69.00	21.00	
Town Maintenance		25,000.00	736.32	25,736.32	27,983.08	2,246.76	
Street Cleaning		500.00		500.00	525.50	25.50	
Street Lighting		250.00		250.00	303.02	53.02	
Gen. Expenses of Highway Dept.		3,500.00		3,500.00	3,334.51	165.49	
Library		1,800.00		1,800.00	1,800.00		

Old Age Assistance					606.43	6,606.43	5,888.73	247.04	492.43	470.66
Town Poor					301.61	2,801.61	3,294.04			
Memorial Day						325.00	325.00			
Soldiers' Aid						300.00	97.61	202.39		
Parks and Playgrounds						2,700.00	2,939.40		239.40	
Cemeteries						500.00	500.00			
Tax Map		100.00				100.00				100.00
Damages and Legal Expense						500.00	463.00	31.00		
Insurance					15.13	765.13	1,488.75		723.62	
Bonded Debt						10,500.00	10,500.00			
Temporary Loans					60,000.00	60,000.00	60,000.00			
Interest						1,727.50	1,619.84	116.66		
State Aid Construction						2,313.00	2,513.44		200.44	4,860.87
Town Construction—Roads						32,399.08	27,538.21	264.63		
Lands and Buildings						2,000.00	1,735.37			
Sewer Construction					20,000.00	20,000.00	5,614.25		608.15	14,385.75
New Equipment—Highway						2,700.00	3,308.15			
—Fire							850.00		850.00	
Special Poll Taxes to State						3.00	3.00			
County Taxes				3.00		12,886.40	12,886.40			
Precinct Taxes						14,113.75	14,113.75			
School District Appropriation				20,108.00		88,744.50	63,708.00			25,036.50
Dog Licenses to School District					548.00	990.85	442.85			374.17
Less: Damage by Dogs							173.83			
Overlay—Abatements						4,056.71	1,801.71	2,255.00		
Totals		\$41,052.93	\$195,883.86	\$83,208.57	\$83,208.57	\$230,145.36	\$275,013.41	\$5,177.07	\$6,571.07	\$46,627.95
* Sewer Construction						\$5,414.25				
Discount on Sewer Note						200.00				
						\$5,614.25				

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EXHIBIT C
TOWN OF MEREDITH

Comparative Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1948

Source	Revenues		Excess	Deficit
	Estimated	Actual		
Int. & Dividend Tax	\$6,605.28	\$6,729.55	\$124.27	\$
Railroad Tax	133.80	137.64	3.84	
Savings Bank Tax	1,500.00	1,056.27		443.73
Motor Vehicle				
Permit Fees	4,500.00	5,908.84	1,408.84	
Business Lic. & Permits	80.00	88.00	8.00	
Fines and Forfeits—				
Municipal Court	100.00	209.25	109.25	
Int. Received on Taxes	150.00	437.61	287.61	
Rent of Town Property		40.00	40.00	
Excess of Tax Warrant				
Over Budgetary				
Requirements		.21	.21	
Added Taxes		826.15	826.15	
Totals	\$13,069.08	\$15,433.52	\$2,808.17	\$443.73

BUDGET SUMMARY

Actual Revenue	\$15,433.52	
Estimated Revenue	13,069.08	
Net Revenue Surplus		\$2,364.44
Overdraft of Appropriations	6,571.07	
Unexpended Balances of Approp.	5,177.07	
Net Overdraft of Approp.		1,394.00
Net Budget Surplus		<u>\$970.44</u>

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EXHIBIT D

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Classified Summary of Receipts and Expenditures

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1948

Receipts

From Local Taxes:

Tax Levy of 1948:

Property Taxes	\$154,208.90	
Poll Taxes	1,874.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	44.00	
	<hr/>	\$156,126.90

Tax Levy of 1947:

Property Taxes	18,874.96	
Poll Taxes	276.00	
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Interest Cost & Fees		437.61
Tax Sales Redeemed		883.74
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		\$176,599.21

From State of New Hampshire:

Interest and Dividend Tax	\$6,729.55	
Railroad Tax	137.64	
Savings Bank Tax	1,056.27	
Fighting Forest Fires	33.64	
Old Age Assistance Recovery	606.43	
Bounties	37.00	
	<hr/>	\$8,600.53

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog Licenses	548.00	
Motor Vehicle Permits	5,908.84	
Business Licenses and Permits	83.00	
Fines & Forfeits—Mun. Court	209.25	
Rent of Town Property	40.00	

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Credits to Town Appropriations:

Town Maintenance	\$736.32	
Health Department	250.00	
Town Manager's Salary	511.09	
Insurance	15.13	
Police Department	5.00	
Town Poor	301.61	
Fire Department	201.35	
	\$2,020.50	
		\$8,814.59

Total Current Revenue Receipts \$194,014.33

Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:

Temporary Loans	\$60,000.00	
Special Sewer Construction Loan	20,000.00	
		\$80,000.00
Total Receipts from all Sources		\$274,014.33
Cash on Hand—December 31, 1947		21,732.59
Grand Total		\$295,746.92

EXPENDITURES

General Government:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 5,304.10	
Town Officers' Expenses	3,159.73	
Election and Registration	481.77	
Municipal Court	200.00	
Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	611.63	\$9,757.23

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	3,928.15	
Fire Department	1,206.49	
Moth Extermination & Blister Rust	400.00	
Bounties	102.00	
Damage by Dogs	173.83	5,810.47

Health:

Health Department	3,802.10	
Vital Statistics	69.00	3,871.10

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Highways and Bridges:

Town Maintenance:

Summer	\$14,309.89
Winter	13,673.19
Street Cleaning	525.50

	\$28,508.58	
Street Lighting	303.02	
General Expenses of Highways	3,334.51	32,146.11

Libraries: 1,800.00

Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance	5,888.73	
Town Poor	3,294.04	9,182.77

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day	325.00	
Soldiers' Aid	97.61	422.61

Recreation:

Parks and Playgrounds		2,939.40
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Public Service Enterprises:

Cemeteries		500.00
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Unclassified:

Damages and Legal Expenses	469.00	
Taxes Bought by Town	664.32	

Insurance:

Trucks—Highway & Fire	450.86
Town Hall and Contents	113.25
Employees Comp. & Liability	705.89
Public Liability—Town Hall & Prescott Park	181.50
Fire & Theft—Tax Collector	37.25

	1,488.75	2,622.07
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Total Current Maintenance Expenses		\$69,051.76
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Indebtedness:

Principal:

Bonded Debt	10,500.00	
Temporary Loans	60,000.00	70,500.00

Interest:

Bonded Debt	1,127.50	
Temporary Loans	483.34	
Discount on Special Loan	200.00	
		1,810.84
		\$72,310.84

New Construction and Improvements:

State Aid Construction	2,513.44
Town Construction—Roads	27,538.21
Sewer Construction	5,414.25
Lands and Buildings—Town	1,735.37

New Equipment:

Highway Department	3,308.15	
Fire Department	850.00	
		4,158.15
		41,359.42

Other Governmental Divisions:

Special Poll Taxes @ \$3.00 to State	3.00
County Taxes	12,886.40
Precinct Taxes	14,113.75

School District:

1947—48 Approp. (balance)	20,108.00	
1948—49 Appropriation	43,600.00	
1947 Dog Licenses (Net)	442.85	
		64,150.85
		\$91,154.00

Total Expenditures for All Purposes	\$273,876.02
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Cash on Hand—December 31, 1948	* 21,870.90
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Grand Total	\$295,746.92
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* General Fund	\$ 7,485.15
Special Fund	14,385.75

Total	\$21,870.90
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DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

General Government

Town Officers Salaries:

Marshall Hodsdon	\$500.00	
Henry Boothby	400.00	
C. K. Plancon	400.00	
Richard Wein	200.00	
Guy Horne	304.00	
Howard Weeks	800.00	\$2,604.00

Town Manager's Salary		2,230.10
Town Clerk's Fees		470.00

Town Officers Expenses:

Town Report	861.36	
Office Supplies and Equipment	405.48	
Telephone	183.29	
Selectmen's Expense	515.49	
Dues	6.00	
Printing and Advertising	67.95	
Meredith Trust —Safe Deposit	32.32	
Belknap Registry of Deeds	1.50	
Town Officers' Bonds	166.50	
Clerical Help & Postage	531.44	2,780.33

Town Manager's Expense:

Car Allowance	249.98	
Travel Expense	36.37	

		286.35
Tax Commission Audit		93.05

Election and Registration:

Supervisors	303.99	
Ballot Clerks and Moderator	119.50	
Meals, Clerks and Moderator	42.25	
Janitor and Miscellaneous	16.03	481.77

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Municipal Court:

Judges' Salary	200.00
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Town Hall:

Lighting	48.29	
Janitor Services	125.12	
Rent of Annex	62.00	
Repairs	319.40	
Supplies	21.32	
Wood	35.50	611.63

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department:

Salaries	3,585.25	
Printing	75.03	
Painting Streets	81.41	
Telephone	128.44	
Police Light	15.00	
Lodging	7.25	
Equipment	35.77	3,928.15

Fire Department:

Appropriation Fire District	1,000.00	
Forest Fires	196.60	
Supplies, Paint	7.89	1,206.49

Blister Rust	400.00
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Bounties	102.00
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Damage by Dogs	173.83
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Health:

Meredith Public Health Assoc.	2,650.00	
Laconia Hospital	500.00	
Life Guard	200.00	
Town Dump	402.10	
Salary Health Officer	50.00	3,802.10

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Vital Statistics: 69.00

Highways and Bridges:

Summer Maintenance:

Labor	6,464.09	
Truck Hire	3,649.80	
Equipment Hire	645.50	
Culverts	793.48	
Asphalt and Gravel	1,353.12	
Materials	367.83	
Gas and Oil	634.67	
Parts and Repairs	379.98	
Express	21.42	14,309.89

Winter Maintenance:

Labor	6,548.04	
Truck Hire	4,820.33	
Sand and Salt	117.10	
Materials	215.75	
Gas and Oil	828.02	
Parts and Repairs	958.20	
Equipment Hire	185.75	\$13,673.19

Street Lighting: 303.02

Street Cleaning: 525.50

General Expense of Highway Department:

Payroll	371.68	
Repairs	804.68	
Gas and Oil	659.82	
Materials	1,498.33	3,334.51

Libraries: 1,800.00

Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance 5,888.73

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Town Poor:

Medical Expense	601.38	
Funeral Expense	150.00	
Board & Care,—		
N. H. Orphans' Home	1,400.00	
Belknap County Home	196.50	

Direct Relief:

Food	\$658.68	
Rent	94.00	
Fuel	121.46	
Lights	12.02	
Ice	18.30	
Materials	8.20	912.66

Overseer's Expenses	33.00	3,294.04
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Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day	325.00
Aid to Soldiers	97.61

Parks and Playgrounds

Payroll—Leavitt Park	163.50
Prescott Park	276.45
Clough Park	254.25
Pinnacle Park	9.75
Supplies	11.55
Repairs of Property	90.08
Am. Legion Fireworks, July 4th	100.00
Boat House	40.00
Band Concerts	500.00
Prescott Park Fund	500.00
Spraying Trees	300.00

Organized Sports Program—

Payroll	650.00	
Supplies	43.82	693.82

2,939.40

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Cemeteries	500.00
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Unclassified:

Damage and Legal Expenses	469.00	
Taxes Bought by Town	664.32	

Insurance:

Truck, Fire, Highway	450.86	
Town Hall & Contents	113.25	
Employees' Comp.		
Liability	705.89	
Public Liability, Town		
Hall, Prescott Park	118.50	
Fire, Theft, Tax Coll.	37.25	
	<u>1,488.75</u>	2,622.07

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Temporary Loans	483.34	
Discount on Special Loan	200.00	1,810.84
	<u>200.00</u>	

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New Construction and Improvements:

State Aid Construction 2,513.44

Town Construction:

Follett Road	11,776.30	
Veasey Shore Road	4,416.30	
Lovejoy Sands Parking Area	5,437.26	
Lovejoy Sands Wharf	47.55	
Massachusetts Avenue	703.00	
Jenness Hill Road	930.30	
Highland Street	2,083.25	
Welch Hill	951.95	
Lovejoy Lane	745.90	
Cattle Landing Road	140.00	
	306.40	27,538.21

Sewer Construction 5,414.25

Land Buildings

New Shed for Grader 1,735.37

New Equipment:

Highway Department:

Adams Vee Plow	660.00	
Adams 12' Wing	940.00	
Dump Body, Walters	1,100.00	
Huber Lift Loader	608.15	3,308.15

Fire Department—New Truck 850.00

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Other Governmental Divisions:

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1948-49 " "	43,600.00	
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		64,150.85 91,154.00

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General Fund	7,485.15
Special Fund	14,385.75
	\$21,870.90

TOWN OF MEREDITH

MANAGER'S REPORT

It is the desire of the manager to give you in a few words a resume of what has been carried on by the Town during the past year.

This is the first year under the manager plan. The Town has only operated for seven and one half months under the plan in 1948. The manager took office on May 17th. The first several months of course were spent in getting familiar with Meredith, town employees, officials and problems facing the town. With four and one half months already gone by, of necessity certain sums of money had already been spent or allocated.

During the year the Town reconstructed several miles of roads, which were authorized by Town Meeting in 1948. The Pease Road was completed to the intersection of the Parade Road. The Parking Area at Lovejoy Sands was completed except for the surfacing which will be done this spring. The Wharf at Lovejoy Sands was under construction at the end of the year and will probably be finished by the time this report has been printed. During the fall months some work was carried on at Leavitt Park. Several hundred feet of beach was made available by the use of a bulldozer and the town grader. This park is being used more each year and this additional beach space will help a great deal. There is adequate parking space available now for at least fifty cars. Further plans are being made to enlarge the park and offer more to the people.

On the administrative side of the picture, certain changes have been made in keeping the Town financial records. This was done to give a more accurate picture of the Town finances and a clearer breakdown of the

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cost. It will allow for a closer control over expenditures. At the present time other town records are being revised so we may have a complete picture of all town activities.

This report has been brief of necessity, but together with the balance of the Town Report, will give a complete picture of what has been carried on throughout the year.

ALBERT GRAY, JR.

Town Manager

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EXHIBIT G

TOWN OF MEREDITH

Summary of Trust Funds Accounts
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1948

Principal:	Cemetery Funds	Library Funds	School Funds	Capital Reserve Funds
Balance—Dec. 31, 1947	\$13,149.72	\$14,830.62	\$1,028.00	\$ 5,257.80
New Funds added during 1948	200.00			33,120.63
Balance—Dec. 31, 1948	<u>\$13,349.72</u>	<u>\$14,830.62</u>	<u>\$1,028.00</u>	<u>\$38,378.43</u>
Income:				
Unexpended Balance	\$1,586.11	\$ 339.37	\$ 121.60	\$ 105.67
Income Rec'd. During Year	296.01	686.51	23.10	834.01
	<u>\$1,882.12</u>	<u>\$1,025.88</u>	<u>\$ 144.70</u>	<u>\$ 939.68</u>
Income withdrawn During Year	144.43	718.44		
Balance—Dec. 31, 1948	<u>\$1,737.69</u>	<u>\$ 307.44</u>	<u>\$ 144.70</u>	<u>\$ 939.68</u>
Principal:				
Cemetery Funds			13,349.72	
Library Funds			14,830.62	
School Funds			1,028.00	
Capital Reserve Funds:				
Town of Meredith		\$36,120.63		
Fire Precinct		2,257.80	38,378.43	
				<u>\$67,586.77</u>
Income Unexpended:				
Cemetery Funds			1,737.69	
Library Funds			307.44	
School Funds			144.70	
Capital Reserve Funds			939.68	3,129.51
Total Principal and Income on Deposit—Dec. 31, 1948				<u>\$70,716.28</u>

FRED W. SANBORN MEMORIAL FUND

Meredith Trust Company, Trustee — January 1, 1944 to January 1, 1949

Income Account

Income:

Jan. 1, 1944	Cash on hand, from previous account	1944	\$ 87.59
Mar. 8, 1944	Income from investments:	1945	180.68
		1946	147.29
		1947	184.76
		1948	69.07
			69.89
			\$ 748.69

Expenditures:

Feb. 18, 1944	K. B. Hill & Co, int. pd. pur. IM Scranton Gas & Water 4½' of 'ES	1944	\$ 21.25
Mar. 8, 1944	Meredith Trust Co., fees at Trustee to March 1, 1944		6.58
Mar. 8, 1944	Meredith Village Savings Bank, Book No. 15,629, deposit		13.16
Mar. 8, 1944	Ralph S. Osgood, Treas. Robinson Burying Ground Assn.		37.29
Mar. 8, 1944	Andrew J. Felker, Treas. Oakland Cemetery Association		74.37
May 23, 1944	Transfer to Principal		35.60
Mar. 6, 1945	Meredith Trust Co., fee as Trustee to March 1, 1945		8.36
Mar. 6, 1945	Meredith Village Savings Bank, Book No. 15,629, deposit		16.73
Mar. 6, 1945	Ralph S. Osgood, Treas. Robinson Burying Ground Association		32.39
Mar. 6, 1945	Andrew J. Felker, Treas. Oakland Cemetery Assn.		74.78
Mar. 20, 1946	Meredith Trust Co., fees as Trustee to March 1, 1946		8.44
Mar. 20, 1946	Meredith Village Savings Bank, Book No. 15,629, deposits		16.04
Mar. 20, 1947	Ralph S. Osgood, Treas. Robinson Burying Ground Assn.		84.98
Mar. 20, 1946	Andrew J. Felker, Treas. Oakland Cemetery Assn.		96.21
Sept. 27, 1946	Postage & Insurance on IM City of Bayonne Bonds due Aug. 1, 1946		.82

Mar. 22, 1947	Meredith Trust Co., fees as Trustee to March 1, 1947	7.45
Mar. 22, 1947	Meredith Village Savings Bank, Book No. 15,629, deposit	14.17
Mar. 22, 1947	Raalph S. Osgood, Treas. Robinson Erying Ground Assn.	42.50
Mar. 22, 1947	Walter E. Breed, Treas. Oakland Cemetery Assn.	84.98
May 14, 1948	Meredith Village Savings Bank, Book No. 15,629, deposit	6.71
May 14, 1948	Meredith Village Savings Bank, Book No. 155,629, deposit	6.71
May 14, 1948	Walter E. Breed, Treas. Oakland Cemetery Assn.	38.04
May 14, 1948	Ralph S. Osgood, Treas. Robinson Burying Ground Assn.	19.02
Nov. 3, 1948	K. B. Hill & Co., int. on purchase of 1M Chesapeake & Ohio Ry. 3½'s '96	9.14
Nov. 3, 1948	K. B. Hill & Co., Commission on above purchase	5.00
Nov. 3, 1948	Postage on above purchase	.30
Dec. 17, 1948	K. B. Hill & Co., int. on purchase of 1M Am. Tel. & Tel. Co., 2 3/4's of '75	5.81
Dec. 17, 1948	K. B. Hill & Co., commission on above purchase	5.92
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		\$ 731.14
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		17.55
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		\$ 748.69

Cash on hand January 1, 1949

Securities held in Corpus of Trust January 1, 1944:

1M City of Bayonne, N. J., 4½'s of 1946	\$ 1,000.00
1M Southern Pacific Co., 3¾'s of 1946	972.50
50 shares Rockland Light & Power Co. - Common	550.00
25 Shares National City Bank of New York - Capital	625.00
3 shares Central Maine Power Co., \$6. - Preferred	285.00
Meredith Village Savings Bank, account No. 15,629	154.21
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	\$ 3,586.71

Changes in account of Corpus of Trust:

Jan. 6, 1944 Sold 1M Southern Pacific Co., 3% ¹ / ₂ 's of '46 @ 104 ¹ / ₂		\$ 1,000.00
Profit account sale of above		37.50
Feb. 18, 1944 Purchased 1M Scranton Gas & Water Co., 4 ¹ / ₂ 's of '58 @ 104 ¹ / ₂		\$ 1,000.00
Premium paid account of above		45.00
May 23, 1944 Transfer from income account		35.00
Mar. 8, 1945 Trans. from income acct. 10% Gross Inc. Apr. 1, '43 - Apr. 1, '44		13.16
Mar. 8, 1945 Trans. from income acct. 10% Gross Inc. Apr. 1, '44 - Apr. 1, '45		16.73
May 20, 1946 Trans. from income acct. 10% Gross Inc. Apr. 1, '45 - Apr. 1, '46		16.04
June 19, 1946 Sold 3 shares Central Maine Power Co. - Preferred		285.00
Profit on account of above sale		37.50
June 19, 1946 1M Scranton Gas & Water Co., 4 ¹ / ₂ 's of '58 called & 101		1,000.00
Premium on above call		10.00
Sept. 27, 1946 1M City of Bayonne, N. J., 4 ¹ / ₂ 's of '46 matured		1,000.00
Mar. 22, 1947 Trans. Inc. Account 10% Gross Inc. Apr. 1, '46 - Apr. 1, '47		14.17
May 14, 1948 Trans. Inc. Account 10% Gross Inc. Apr. 1, '47 - Apr. 1, '48		6.71
Nov. 3, 1948 Purchased 1M Chesapeake & Ohio Ry. 3 ¹ / ₂ 's - '96 & 95 ³ / ₄		957.50
Dec. 19, 1948 Purchased 1M American Tel. & Tel. Co. 2 ³ / ₄ - '75 @ 93		930.00
Balance Cash through sales and redemption		370.00
Net gain in Corpus of Trust		141.81
		\$ 3,444.31
		\$ 3,444.31

Balance held in Corpus of Trust January 1, 1949:

50 shares Rockland Light & Power Co., - Common		\$ 550.00
24 shares National City Bank of New York - Capital		625.00
1M Chesapeake & Ohio 3 ¹ / ₂ 's of '96		957.50
1M American Tel. & Tel. Co., 2 ³ / ₄ 's of '75		930.00
Account No. 15,629 Meredith Village Savings Bank		221.02
Principal Cash on Deposit		445.00
		\$ 3,728.52

TOWN OF MEREDITH

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY

Lands and Buildings	\$3,685,150.00
Growing Wood and Timber	17,300.00
Electric Plants	59,343.00
Horses	4,575.00
Oxen	400.00
Cows	17,555.00
Other Neat Stock	2,320.00
Sheep and Goats	890.00
Hogs	215.00
Fowls	3,050.00
Portable Mills	63,225.00
Boats and Launches	55,690.00
Wood, Lumber, etc.	54,000.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	3,880.00
Stock in Trade	208,650.00
Mills and Machinery	193,333.00
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	\$4,369,636.00
 Amount Exempt to Soldiers	 101,340.00
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Amount to be Taxed	\$4,268,296.00

Inventory—Exclusive of Soldiers' Exemption:

Precinct	\$1,766,905.00
Non-Resident—Outside Precinct	1,643,351.00
Resident—Outside Precinct	858,040.00
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	4,268,296.00

EXHIBIT J
TOWN OF MEREDITH
Statement of Indebtedness, Showing Annual Maturities
December 31, 1948

Fiscal Year Ending:	Street Improvement Bonds		Fire Station Bonds		Equipment Notes		Follett Road Notes		Total Debt Service	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest		
December 31, 1940	\$1,500.	130.	\$ 3,000.	\$ 282.50	\$ 5,000.	\$ 225.	\$ 1,000.	\$ 195.	\$10,500.	\$932.50
December 31, 1950	500.	110.	3,000.	337.50	5,000.	150.	1,000.	180.	9,500.	777.50
December 31, 1951	500.	90.	3,000.	292.50	5,000.	75.	1,000.	165.	9,500.	622.50
December 31, 1952	500.	70.	3,000.	247.50			1,000.	150.	4,500.	467.50
December 31, 1953	500.	50.	3,000.	202.50			1,000.	135.	4,500.	387.50
December 31, 1954	500.	30.	3,000.	157.50			1,000.	120.	4,500.	307.50
December 31, 1955			3,000.	112.50			1,000.	105.	4,000.	217.50
December 31, 1956			3,000.	67.50			1,000.	90.	4,000.	157.50
December 31, 1957			3,000.	22.50			1,000.	75.	4,000.	97.50
December 31, 1958							1,000.	60.	1,000.	60.00
December 31, 1959							1,000.	45.	1,000.	45.00
December 31, 1960							1,000.	30.	1,000.	30.00
December 31, 1961							1,000.	15.	1,000.	15.00

\$4,000.	\$480.	\$27,000.	\$1,522.50	\$ 15,000.	\$450.	\$13,000.	\$1,365.	\$59,000.	\$4,117.50
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SUMMARY OF WARRANT—LEVY OF 1948

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1948

Debits	Total	Property	NBST	Polls	Int.
Taxes Committed to Collector	\$182,814.99	\$180,598.99	\$54.00	\$2,162.00	\$
Added taxes during 1948	790.15	744.15		46.00	
Interest Collected	8.78				8.78
	\$183,613.92	\$181,343.14	\$54.00	\$2,208.00	\$8.78
Credits					
Remittances to Treas.	156,135.68	154,208.90	44.00	1,874.00	8.78
Abatements & errors	1,717.71	1,641.71		76.00	
Uncollected Taxes					
December 31, 1948	25,760.53	25,492.53	10.00	258.00	
	\$183,613.92	\$181,343.14	\$54.00	\$2,208.00	\$8.78

SUMMARY OF WARRANT—LEVY OF 1947

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1948

Debits	Total	Property	Polls	Int.
Uncollected taxes Dec. 31, 1947	\$19,209.26	\$18,933.26	\$276.00	\$
Added Taxes	36.00		36.00	
Interest, Collected	396.14			396.14
	19,641.40	18,933.26	312.00	396.14
Credits				
Remittances to Treasurer	19,547.10	18,874.96	276.00	396.14
Abatements Allowed	84.00	58.00	26.00	
Excess Remittance in 1947	.30	.30		
Uncollected Taxes Dec. 31, 1948	10.00		10.00	
	19,641.40	18,933.26	312.00	396.14

TOWN OF MEREDITH
SUMMARY OF TAX SALE ACCOUNTS

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1948

	Total	1947	1946	1945
Debits				
Unredeemed Taxes Dec. 31, 1947	\$493.96	\$	\$484.88	\$9.08
Tax Sale of May 18, 1948	664.32	664.32		
Interests and costs collected	32.69	4.36	28.33	
	1,190.97	668.68	513.21	9.08
Credits				
Remittances to Treasurer	916.43	574.70	341.73	
Unredeemed Taxes Dec. 31, 1948	274.54	93.98	171.48	9.08
	1,190.97	668.68	513.21	9.08

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REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

For Year Ending December 31, 1948

Receipts

Automobile Permits:

1120 Issued \$5,908.84

Dog Licenses:

Males 169 \$338.00

Females 32 160.00

Kennels 2 50.00

548.00

Bowling Alley Fees 80.00

Filing Fees 8.00

Total Receipts \$6,544.84

Payments

To Town Treasurer \$6,544.84

Respectfully submitted,

Guy U. Horne, Town Clerk

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TREASURER'S REPORT

For Year Ending December 31, 1948

Cash on hand January 1, 1948	\$21,732.59	
Received from Selectmen	76,124.93	
Received from Tax Collector	176,599.21	
Received from Town Clerk	6,544.84	
Received from Fire Warden	159.60	
Payments by order of Selectmen		\$273,676.02
Cash on hand December 31, 1948		7,485.15
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	281,161.17	281,161.17

Sewer Construction Account

Note—December 31, 1948	\$20,000.00	
Payments by order of Selectmen		5,614.25
Cash on hand December 31, 1948		14,385.75
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	\$ 20,000.00	\$20,000.00

Respectfully submitted,

Richard B. Wein, Treasurer

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MEREDITH PUBLIC LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT

General Expense Fund

Balance in fund December 31, 1947 \$ 132.62

Received During Year 1948:

Town Appropriation	\$1,500.00	
Clock Maintenance Fund	35.00	
Cash from Librarian	80.05	
Income from: Beede Fund	605.00	
Bixby Fund	2.01	
Rollins Fund	60.30	
Roberts Fund	4.02	
Swain Fund	9.25	2,295.63

Total received during year 1948 \$2,428.25

Paid out during year 1948:

Salary of Librarian	\$ 780.00	
Salary of Janitor	180.00	
Cleaning Woman	79.30	
Help for Librarian	26.00	
Fuel	441.79	
Light and Power	82.99	
New Books	468.57	
Magazine Subscriptions	33.55	
Precinct Tax	10.00	
Supplies	67.85	
Insurance	160.71	
Minor Maintenance & Repairs	50.96	
Book Binding	30.96	
Miscellaneous	13.47	2,426.15

Bal. in Gen. Expense Fund Dec. 31, 1948 2.10

Major Maintenance and Repair Fund

Town Appropriation for 1948	300.00
Paid out during 1948	0.00

Balance in Major Maintenance
and Repair Fund Dec. 31, 1948 300.00

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Leavitt Legacy Fund

Use unrestricted, but set aside by the Library Trustees for Leavitt Memorial uses.

Received up to and including December 31, 1948:

Legacy from Alice Leavitt 1941	\$200.00
Legacy from Marion Leavitt 1942	200.00
Legacy from Dudley Leavitt 1947	250.00

Total received up to and including December 31, 1948	\$650.00
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Paid out up to and including December 31, 1948:

Display cabinet for Leavitt books and papers	70.00
Set Encyclopedia Britannica	152.88
Set Encyclopedia Britannica Jr.	63.62
Book Truck	52.85
New Book Stack Lighting	237.58
New wiring, Reading Room Chandeliers	30.00
New Desk Lamp	14.33

Total paid out up to and including December 31, 1948	621.26
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Bal. in Leavitt Legacy Fund Dec. 31, 1948	28.74
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Balance in General Expense Fund, Major Maintenance & Repair Fund, and Leavitt Legacy Fund, Dec. 31, 1948	330.84
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Respectfully submitted,

Clyde C. Smith, Treasurer

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MEREDITH PUBLIC HEALTH
NURSING ASSOCIATION
REPORT OF THE TREASURER

January 7, 1948 .Cash on hand \$5.07

RECEIPTS:

Town of Meredith	\$2,650.00	
Memberships	137.00	
Contributions	103.00	
Collections by Nurse	142.20	
Meredith School District	400.00	
Rummage Sale	157.75	
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	3,589.95	
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Exchange L. B. Jacobs' license	2.00	3,591.95
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Total Cash Receipts		3,597.02
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PAYMENTS:

Lillie Belle Jacobs	1,883.37
Mrs. Burdette Landsdowne	80.00
White Mountain Power Co.	19.50
New England Telephone Co.	91.54
Paige & Valliere	269.90
Pynn's Garage	7.25
Kinne Motor Sales	21.45
Prescott's Pharmacy	15.18
Meredith Laundry	29.15
Guy U. Horne, Town Clerk	2.31
Fred'k Clark, Motor Comm.	15.30
Blaisdell Agency	66.50
Meredith News Press	13.35
H. S. Rust Realty	220.00

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Roy Clark & Son	1.50	
Town of Meredith — refund	250.00	
Postage & Stationery	14.65	
Coll. Int. Revenue, bal. 1947 tax	62.30	
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Total Payments		3,063.25
January 6, 1949 Cash on hand		<hr/>
		533.77

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) Earle A. Welch, Treasurer

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing account of the Treasurer of the Meredith Public Health Nursing Association and find it properly cast and well vouched.

(Signed) Clyde C. Smith, Auditor

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STATUS OF 1948 MEMORIAL DAY ACCOUNT

September 22, 1948

Receipts

Town of Meredith	\$325.00
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Disbursements

Flags	\$67.80
Cemetery Work	152.50
F. M. Weeks & Sons	1.65
Hooker-Howe Costume Co.	12.60
Band	80.00
Wreaths	60.00
Deficit—1947	1.30

Total Disbursements	\$375.85
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Deficit to Date	\$50.85
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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DISTRICT NURSE

For The Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1948

Home, Office and School Calls as follows:

Welfare	40
Office	82
Home Consultation	61
School	279
Home School	101
Medical	534
Surgical	92
Newborn	9
Prenatal	4
Postnatal	3
Infants	5
Pre-School	4
Total	<hr/> 1214

Four patients were taken to Laconia Hospital for X-rays.

One patient was taken to Laconia Hospital for an I. V. Program.

Three patients were taken to Dr. Deneault's office.

Two patients were taken to Laconia Hospital for admission.

Fifteen patients were taken to Laconia Hospital for X-ray treatment.

Six adults and six children were taken to Dr. Turley's office.

One patient was taken to Laconia Hospital for removal of leg cast.

One patient taken to Laconia Hospital for removal of cast and X-ray of foot.

Three patients were taken to Dr. Leavitt in Laconia for eye examination.

Two patients taken to Dr. Hernandez for eye examinations.

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Thirteen adults and one child taken to Cancer Clinic in Laconia.

Two patients were taken to Dr. Marshall's office.

One patient was brought home from the Laconia Hospital.

One patient was taken to the State Hospital in Concord.

One patient was taken to the Mary Hitchcock Hospital in Hanover.

One child was taken to Laconia Hospital for a blood count.

One person was taken to the Welfare office in Laconia.

One patient was taken to Dr. Rowe in Lakeport for dental care.

A pair of crutches was given to the Association by Mrs. Deneault.

Clothing was given by Mrs. Beatrice Macdonald.

A wheel chair was given by Mrs. Norman Kelley.

Shoes, rubbers and clothing were given by Miss Ruth Bennett.

Shoes were given by Mrs. Donald Lance.

Clothing was given by Miss June Allen.

Three shelves were built in the Nurse's office by Mr. Collins and some of the members of his manual training class.

Three layettes were given to the Association by the Junior Red Cross. The layettes were made by members of the Home Economics Class at High School.

Sixteen dollars and twenty-six cents was given to the Association from the Thanksgiving Union Service. Five dollars was added to this sum by the Catholic Church. The money is to be used for dental clinic work.

I wish to thank the various organizations in town for their splendid cooperation whenever they were called upon to assist me in my work.

Respectfully submitted,

LILLIE BELLE JACOBS, R. N.

TOWN OF MEREDITH

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 has 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—Town of Meredith

Number of Fires	5
Acereage Burned	2 $\frac{3}{4}$ acres
Number Fire Permits Issued ...	101

Respectfully submitted,

George F. Richardson, Jr.
District Fire Chief

V. Albert Sprague
Forest Fire Warden

School Report

TOWN OF MEREDITH

Meredith School Warrant 1949

The State of New Hampshire

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said District on the 4th day of March, 1949, at eight o'clock in the evening, 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.
- 3 (a) To choose another 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 agents of the District.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers heretofore 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 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.

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9. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred five dollars (\$105.00) for liability insurance on the school buildings and school employees.

10. To see how much the District will vote to raise and appropriate for resurfacing the playground at the Lang street school.

11. To see if the District will elect to approve of the inclusion of its employees (other than teachers) in the Employees' Retirement System of the State of New Hampshire, which system is provided for by chapter 27-A of the Revised laws, as inserted by Chapter 183 of the Laws of 1945, and as provided by chapter 201 of the Laws of 1945 and any subsequent amendments thereto.

12. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Meredith this 8th day of February, 1949.

RAYMOND L. WATSON
BRAD SPRAGUE
HELEN P. POTTLE
JANE B. AMBROSE
HAROLD B. PIPER

School Board Meredith, N. H.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

RAYMOND L. WATSON
BRAD SPRAGUE
HELEN P. POTTLE
JANE B. AMBROSE
HAROLD B. PIPER

School Board Meredith, N. H.

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DISTRICT OFFICERS

Moderator	Dr. Arthur F. Pottle
Clerk	Herberta Stark (resigned)
	Linden Grad (appointed)

SCHOOL BOARD

Harold Piper	1949	Raymond Watson	1950
Helen Pottle	1949	Jane Ambrose	1951
Robert Prescott	1950	Bradbury Sprague	1951
Treasurer		Marion W. Chase	
Superintendent		Almon W. Bushnell	
School Physician		Raymond J. Turley, M. D.	
School Nurse		Lillie Belle Jacobs, R. N.	
Truant Officer		Chester C. Bickford	

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REPORT OF MEREDITH ANNUAL

SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING — MARCH 5, 1948

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p. m. by Moderator Arthur F. Pottle. Following prayer by Rev. John A. Morrison, the call to the meeting was read by the Moderator.

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

Dr. Arthur F. Pottle was nominated as Moderator and Clerk cast one ballot for same. Dr. Pottle was then sworn in by the Clerk.

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

The motion was made and seconded that the Moderator cast one ballot for Herberta T. Stark as Clerk. The ballot was cast and the Clerk assumed office.

Article 3. To choose two Members of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

Bradbury Sprague, Jesse Allen and Jane Ambrose were nominated to fill two offices on the School Board for three years. After considerable discussion as to proper balloting it was voted to ballot separately on the two offices. This was declared illegal and it was then voted that the ballots be cast bearing two of the three candidates' names. Tellers appointed were Earle Welch, Donald Weeks and Amy Gordon. 92 ballots were cast with Jane Ambrose receiving 75, Bradbury Sprague 70 and Jesse Allen 36.

Article 4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Cordelia Berquest and Marion Chase were nominated for the post of Treasurer. Nominations closed. Mrs. Berquest asked to have her name withdrawn. Upon vote of the assembly the Clerk cast one ballot for Marion Chase.

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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.

Moved and seconded that all salaries be the same as in former years. Voted.

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

Robert Prescott read the report of the State Auditors. The question was raised if Mr. Prescott's report was the same as that appearing in the printed School Report. He replied that the totals were the same but the Auditors' report was not broken into such detail as that in the printed report, and noted that an error was evidenced. Sedley Bartlett questioned the reports. Mr. Welch pointed out several errors on almost every item printed. Mrs. True Godfrey also spoke on the several errors. Various members of the School Board attempted to explain. It was moved and seconded that the published report not be accepted and that the School Board make a correct report within 30 days to the voters of the District and publish same. An amendment motion that the corrected report be posted in several public places and printed in the Meredith News was voted down. The motion was then voted.

Article 7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.

Laid on the table.

Article 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

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obligations of the District, as determined by the School Board in its annual report.

Mr. Nedeau explained the budget item by item. It was moved that the District should raise the amount recommended in the 1948-49 budget but that the budget (next year) should be reduced by any excess amount received by the School Board. Voted.

Article 9. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of seven hundred sixty-five dollars (\$765.00) to obtain additional insurance coverage on buildings owned by the school district. Voted to raise \$765. for additional insurance coverage on school property.

Article 10. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-nine hundred dollars (\$2900.) to employ an additional teacher in the primary grades at the Lang street school and to provide suitable temporary quarters for one class from this school.

Moved and seconded that the sum of \$2900. be raised for an additional teacher in the primary grades and to provide temporary quarters for one class, the decision as to such be left to the discretion of the School Board to provide the best and cheapest quarters available to take care of the situation. Voted.

Article 11. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to sell or otherwise dispose of the building adjoining the Lang Street School playground and formerly used for a nursery school.

Voted to authorize School Board to sell or dispose of building adjoining the Lang Street School playground.

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Article 12. (By request). To see if the School District will vote to authorize the School Board to sell the Meredith Neck School house.

Voted that the Meredith Neck School house be sold at auction to the highest bidder by the Board.

Article 13. To see if the District will authorize the appointment of a special committee consisting of two members of the School Board appointed by the Board; one member of the Board of Selectmen, appointed by them, and two other legal voters of the District appointed by the Moderator to consider the feasibility of forming a cooperative secondary school district and to report to the District at its next annual meeting its findings, including building requirements, program of studies, capital investment, operational costs of such a district and such other matter as may be deemed material.

Moved that a committee be appointed to study cooperative school district, to report at next annual meeting. Mr. Nedeau explained briefly about this. Voted.

Article 14. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Moved that the 1948-49 Auditors certificate be included in the report to be given by the School Board. And that a committee's or the State auditor's report be given. Voted.

Moved that budget next year be shown in comparative form and that this method be followed thereafter. Voted.

Article 7 deemed to require no action.

Herberta T. Stark, Clerk
Meredith School District

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SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET FOR YEAR 1949-50

Figures in the right hand column below represent amounts required to be assessed for the support of public schools and other statutory obligations for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1949.

The first column shows the actual amounts spent during the fiscal year 1947-48. The middle column shows the amounts voted at the 1948 district meeting. These two columns are shown for comparative purposes as requested by the vote of the district last year.

EXPENDITURES

Administration	Expended 1947-48	Voted 1948-49	Estm'd 1949-50
Salaries, district officers	\$ 250.00	\$ 285.	\$ 285.
Superintendent's salary	790.25	869.	900.
Per capita tax	742.00	746.	768.
Truant Officer, Supt's secretary	435.00	760.	820.
Other expenses administration	661.51	690.	690.
Instruction			
Teachers' salaries	37,302.68	46,500.	49,000.
Text books	1,575.63	1,500.	1,800.
Scholars' supplies	2,326.11	2,000.	2,400.
Other expenses of instruction	1,029.09	700.	900.
Operation and Maintenance			
Janitor service	3,252.71	3,250.	3,266.
Fuel	1,967.36	2,000.	2,200.
Water, lights, janitor's supplies	1,725.93	1,500.	1,500.
Repairs and replacements	6,450.62	4,100.	4,000.
Auxiliary activities			
Health supervision	200.00	625.	700.
Transportation	6,952.70	6,990.	6,990.
Hot lunch — a. labor	1,938.10	2,050.	2,050.
b. food	2,805.43		
Other special activities	274.22		600.
Fixed charges			
State retirement	805.56	1,502.50	1,855.
Insurance	921.69	1,149.	942.
Capital Outlay			
Alterations and improvements	3,891.26	1,600.	1,600.
New equipment	3,565.62	1,650.	1,540.
TOTALS	79,863.47	80,466.50	84,806.

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Income from sources other than taxation (estimated)		
Dog tax	300.00	
Rent	520.00	
Federal aid	400.00	
Tuition	5,000.00	6,220.00
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Amount required to be raised by taxation		78,586.00
Amount voted in 1948		68,636.50

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

For Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1948

In accordance with the vote of the 1948 School Meeting, the School Board is publishing the following state auditor's report in full. As this report gives in Exhibit C a classified summary of receipts and expenditures as copied from the School Board's annual report to the State Tax Commission, it would seem unnecessary for the School Board to duplicate these figures in a separate statement of their own.

MEREDITH SCHOOL BOARD

By Raymond L. Watson
Brad Sprague
R. S. Prescott
H. B. Piper
Helen P. Pottle
Jane B. Ambrose

TOWN OF MEREDITH

DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION
Concord, New Hampshire
August 6, 1948

Certificate of Audit

This is to certify that we have audited the accounts and records of the Meredith School District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1948 and found them to be in good order. The report submitted herewith in the form of Exhibits reflects, to the best of our knowledge and belief, the true financial condition of the Meredith School District as of June 30, 1948, and the results of the financial transactions of the District during the period under review.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold G. Fowler

Director

Division of Municipal Accounting
State Tax Commission

Norman P. Schauer, Auditor
Roger G. Guilmette, Accountant

TOWN OF MEREDITH

EXHIBIT A

MEREDITH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Comparative Balance Sheets

Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 1947 and June 30, 1948

Assets	As of June 30, '47	As of June 30, '48
Cash on Hand	\$1,381.29	\$ 820.95
Total Assets	\$1,381.29	\$ 820.95
Net Debt		839.75
Total Assets & Net Debt	\$1,381.29	\$1,660.70

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by District:

Collector of Int. Revenue	\$	\$ 60.70
Advance from Town on 1948-49 Appropriation		1,600.00
Total Liabilities	\$	\$1,660.70
Surplus	1,381.29	
Total Liab. & Surplus	\$1,381.29	\$1,660.70

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EXHIBIT B
MEREDITH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Analysis of Change in Financial Condition

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1948

Surplus — June 30, 1947	\$1,381.29	
Net Debt — June 30, 1948	839.75	
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Net Change		\$2,221.04

Analysis of Change in Financial Condition

Increases in Debt:

Net Budget Deficit	\$2,160.34	
Increase in Accounts Payable	60.70	
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Net Change		\$2,221.04

EXHIBIT C
MEREDITH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Classified Summary of Receipts and Expenditures

Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1948

RECEIPTS

Federal Aid:

Smith-Hughes & George-Deen	\$ 462.86	
National School Lunch	3,197.70	
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		\$ 3,660.56

State Aid:

Equalization		7,625.56
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Local Taxation:

Appropriation—1947-48 Acct.	\$59,108.00	
Advance on 1948-49 Account	1,600.00	
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		60,708.00

Sources Other Than Taxation:

Dog Licenses	\$ 442.85
Tuition	5,978.98
Sale of Property	73.51
Rent	613.20

Other Receipts:

Refunds & Reimbursements	200.47	
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		7,309.01

Total Receipts	\$79,303.13
Cash on Hand—June 30, 1947	1,381.29

GRAND TOTAL \$80,684.42

EXPENDITURES

Administration:

Salaries of District Officers	\$ 250.00	
Superintendent's Excess Salary	790.25	
Tax for State Wide Supervision	742.00	
Expenses of Administration	1,096.51	
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		\$2,878.76

Instruction:

Principal's & Teachers' Salaries	\$37,302.68	
Text Books	1,575.63	
Scholars' Supplies	2,326.11	
Other Expenses of Instruction	1,029.09	
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		\$42,233.51

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Operation of School Plant:

Janitor's Salaries	\$ 3,252.71
Fuel	1,967.36
Water, Lights, Janitor Supplies	1,725.93
Minor Repairs & Expenses	6,450.62
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	\$13,396.62

Auxiliary Activities:

Health Supervision	\$ 200.00
Transportation of Pupils	6,952.70
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	7,152.70

Other Special Activities:

School Lunches:

Labor	\$ 1,938.10
Food	2,805.43
Other	274.22
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	\$ 5,017.75

Fixed Charges:

Insurance	\$ 921.69
State Retirement & Other	805.56
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	\$ 1,727.25

Capital Outlay:

Improvements to Buildings	\$ 3,891.26
New Equipment	3,565.62
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	\$ 7,456.88

Total Expenditures \$79,863.47

Cash on Hand—June 30, 1948 820.95

GRAND TOTAL

\$80,684.42

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EXHIBIT D

MEREDITH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Summary of Receipts and Expenditures and
Proof of Treasurer's Balance
As of June 30, 1948

Cash on hand

—June 30, 1947 \$ 1,381.29

Receipts During Year 79,303.13

\$80,684.42

Payments During Year

79,863.47

Cash on Hand—June 30, 1948

820.95

Proof of Treasurer's Balance

Balance in Meredith Trust Co.—As per

Statement Dated June 30, 1948 \$2,562.27

Less Checks Outstanding 1,741.79

\$ 820.48

Plus: Error of Check

No. 763—\$218.53 entered in

School Records \$218.03 .50

Less: Excess Credit .03

.47

\$820.95

EXHIBIT E — MEREDITH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures—Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1948

	Appropriations	Receipts & Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Unexpended	Balances Overdrawn
Administration:						
Salaries Dist. Officers	\$ 341.00	\$	\$ 341.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 91.00	\$
Superintendent's Salary	754.00		754.00	790.25		36.25
Tax State Wide Supervis'n	742.00		742.00	742.00		
Expenses of Administrat'n	600.00		600.00	1,096.51		496.51
Instruction:						
Prin. & Teach. Salaries	39,500.00	(a)	39,500.00	37,302.68	2,197.32	
Text Books	950.00		950.00	1,575.63		625.63
Scholars' Supplies	1,500.00		1,500.00	2,326.11		826.11
Other Exp. of Instruction	695.00		695.00	1,029.09		334.09
Operation of School Plant:						
Janitors' Salaries	3,000.00		3,000.00	3,252.71		252.71
Fuel or Heat	1,700.00		1,700.00	1,967.36		267.36
Water, Lights & Janitors' Supplies	1,157.00		1,157.00	1,725.93		568.92
Minor Repairs & Exp.	7,664.17		7,664.17	6,450.62	1,213.55	

Auxiliary Activities:

Health Supervision	525.00	525.00	200.00	325.00	
Transportation	5,964.00	5,964.00	6,952.70		988.70

Other Special Activities:

Nat'l. Lunch Program	1,600.00	3,197.70	4,743.53	54.17	
Other			274.22		274.22

Fixed Charges:

Insurance	377.00	377.00	921.69		544.69
State Retirement & Other	800.00	800.00	805.56		5.56

Capital Outlay:

Improvement to Bldgs.	288.00	288.00	3,891.26		3,603.26
New Equipment	2,500.00 (b)	2,500.00	3,565.62		1,065.62
	\$70,657.17	\$3,197.70	\$73,854.87	\$3,881.04	\$9,889.64

(a) Includes \$2,000.00 Special Appropriation for Commercial Course

(b) Includes \$2,000.00 Special Appropriation for Commercial Course

EXHIBIT F — MEREDITH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Comparative Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues — Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 1948

	<u>ESTIMATED</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>EXCESS</u>	<u>DEFICIT</u>
Dog Tax	\$ 500.00	\$ 442.85		\$57.15
Rent	360.00	613.20	253.20	
Federal Aid for Home Economics	300.00	462.86	162.86	
Tuition	3,925.00	5,978.98	2,053.98	
State Aid	6,464.17	7,625.56	1,161.39	
Sale of Property		73.51	73.51	
Refund and Reimbursements		200.47	200.47	
Totals	<u>\$11,549.17</u>	<u>\$15,397.43</u>	<u>\$3,905.41</u>	<u>\$57.15</u>

BUDGET SUMMARY

Overdrafts of Appropriations	\$ 9,889.64	
Unexpended Balances of Appropriations	3,881.04	
Net Overdrafts of Appropriations	<u>\$6,008.60</u>	
Actual Revenues	\$15,397.43	
Estimated Revenues	<u>11,549.17</u>	
Net Revenue Surplus	3,848.26	
Net Budget Deficit	<u>\$2,160.34</u>	

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REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

Cash on hand—June 30, 1947 \$1,381.29

Receipts:

Selectmen, appropriation \$60,708.00

Dog Tax 442.85

State Treasurer

 a. School Lunch 3,197.70

 b. State Aid 7,625.56

All other sources 7,329.02

79,303.13

Total amount available for fiscal year 80,684.42

Less School Board orders paid 79,863.47

Balance on hand as of June 30, 1948 820.95

Respectfully submitted

Marion W. Chase

DISTRICT TREASURER

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Little Folks Are Coming

A year ago we reported that there were 39 pupils in the first grade at the Lang street school. This year's report shows 44. Through the cooperation and support of the Parent-Teacher Association, the money for an extra teacher was voted at the 1948 district meeting and with this help we have been able to eliminate the over-crowding in the first and second grades. Mrs. Margaret Upham of Plymouth was engaged to teach a class consisting of some from the first grade and some from grade two. Thus the first two grades are divided into three groups of about 25 pupils each, which makes it possible for each pupil to get more of the teacher's time for individual help so much needed by young children.

The problem which faced us at the beginning of last summer's vacation was how to accommodate seven teachers and their classes in six classrooms. After careful consideration of the possible locations in town, it was decided to put the sixth grade class into a basement room at the Lang street school where lunches have heretofore been served. For a lunch room, we are making use of the assembly and activity room which hitherto was used as a library and for band rehearsals as well as an indoor playroom on rainy days. The band and other music classes seemed to be crowded out entirely, until finally we were able to secure the use of the Baptist vestry on High street two days each week for music classes.

We are not proud of the arrangements made. Our basement classroom used by the sixth grade is too small, ventilation is unsatisfactory, and it has only four small windows. The one advantage is a larger and more convenient dining room, making it possible to serve meals to all who desire them.

If the present trend toward increased enrollment continues, as seems very likely, we may find it necessary by September, 1950, to employ eight teachers for the Lang street school instead of seven. Where to put

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another class and teacher is the "\$64." question. It would be a mistake to build another addition on the present school, because our playground there is adequate for only about one-fifth of our present enrollment.

Some consideration has been given to the use of the Bixby house adjoining the Lang street school, but we find it is not suitable for school use. It has no basement and any plan for its remodeling and heating would cost more than it is worth, and still we would have the same playground problem.

Elementary School Program

During the past year the teachers and principal of Lang street school have continued to work on the assumption that a school is for the benefit of the children. Therefore everything that takes place should in some measure further the following purposes of elementary education: (a) to establish normal attitudes of mind and control emotions, and to develop a sound body; (b) to develop an understanding of social relationships and ability to get along with others; (c) to develop individual talents and abilities as completely as possible; (d) to cultivate habits of accurate thinking, and a thorough knowledge of the "three R's", and (e) to develop appreciation for and desire to seek beauty in its many forms.

The program of testing and individual pupil-teacher-parent-principal conferences has been continued with good results in many cases. Increased attention has been given to selection of the proper textbook for the individual regardless of the grade of the child. Reading books have been chosen which follow one another without bringing in too many new words at a time. Much stress has been placed on the study of the sounds of the letters. Mr. Bragg, the principal, has continued work with special groups and in the development of a physical education program.

A new avenue of learning, the radio, has been undertaken by grade six. Three times a week they listen to programs of news, world neighbors and music, all of which are prepared for schools. For this, a new

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RCA radio-phonograph has been purchased with money earned by the pupils and teachers. This will be used also for music appreciation as soon as the course can be set up.

New equipment of special note is a Rex-o-graph liquid process duplicator for the office facilitating school paper work greatly. Also a new Compton's Picture Encyclopedia has been recently added to the library. As there were no reference books in the library, this is a needed piece of equipment.

Our greatest need at Lang street school is the improvement and enlargement of the playground. Making it larger seems a possibility, and has been suggested before; but even the little space we have can be improved by resurfacing to eliminate the dust and mud.

School Marks

One of the commonest complaints that people bring to the superintendent and school board is that their children are not getting good marks, and they often blame the teacher. It would seem that any teacher who is willing to give pupils A's and B's, whether they have earned them or not, is considered a good teacher. On the other hand, most of us older persons can remember some one teacher who was really a severe marker but who taught us more than many others who were more lenient. The really important question for parents is—Are my children learning and gaining more power? Instead of,—Do they get A's and B's?

Some educational writers advocate dispensing with school marks altogether. Perhaps this would be a good thing. But parents seem to expect them and pupils will work hard to get better marks. I do feel strongly that a teacher should not be blamed if a pupil's marks are low. The chances are she is really teaching more than some teachers who take the easy road to give Johnny and Marie an A just because they tried hard, whether they understood the work or not.

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Cooperative School Districts

The problem of over-crowded schools is not confined to Meredith. The committee created by vote of the district last year to investigate the possibility of cooperative districts in this area has invited school board members from nearby towns to meet and discuss the problem with them. From all directions the same report was heard. The little ones keep coming in and we have not room to teach them.

One solution to the problems of all these districts might be the formation of a cooperative district for high school purposes and the construction of a central high school which would take care of all secondary pupils in this area. This would mean that Meredith High School as a separate institution would no longer exist but it would be merged into a larger regional high school along with one or two other small schools in this section of the state. The building facilities now used for high school purposes in all these towns might then become available for the increased number of grade children so they could be adequately housed for some years to come.

This is a very radical proposal and it may not turn out to be the right or reasonable thing to do. The only alternative, however, that I can see is the construction of additional elementary buildings in the various towns that they may provide room for the little ones who keep coming in. Then, if we in Meredith do have to build a new primary school in 1950 or 1951, how will we care for the larger group that will be ready for high school six or eight years later?

New Hampshire Legislative Program

Several fundamental changes in our school laws for New Hampshire are under consideration in the 1949 legislature. Among these are (a) continued state aid, with some increase for certain towns so good schools can be maintained without excessive tax rate; (b) a law permitting higher rates for tuition so high schools will not be forced to continue to accept tuition pupils at less than cost; (c) state aid for transportation of

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high school pupils; (d) some state aid for new school buildings, and (e) encouragement for formation of cooperative school districts in various areas of the state.

It seems likely that a program of Federal aid to help pay for new construction, as well as current expenses of schools, may be voted by the present Congress. The uncertainty as to what changes will be made in school laws at this time makes it advisable to postpone plans for new construction or forming of larger cooperative districts for another year at least. Let us find out where we are going before we start—and let us try to plan a long-range program as far as possible, facing the increased enrollments that are expected in Meredith as well as in the state and nation as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,

Almon W. Bushnell

Superintendent

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REPORT OF HEADMASTER OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

I present herewith my third annual report as Headmaster of Meredith High School for the year ending December 31, 1948

Comparative Standing of High Schools

Inquiries are frequently made regarding the standing of Meredith High School in comparison with those of other towns and cities. Statements are sometimes made that Meredith High School ranks so and so in respect to other high schools in New Hampshire.

There never have been any available facts upon which any reliable opinion can be based as to the relative standing of the various high schools in cities and towns. Success or failure of a school, as well as an individual, may be a matter of personal opinion and cannot be measured with any mathematical precision. Real and valid comparison of Meredith High School with other high schools has never been possible, except in the matter of per capita costs.

School systems may be particularly judged by their success in preparing pupils for higher education, by results in achievement tests, from per capita expenditures for textbooks, supplies and teachers' salaries, by the professional training of its teaching staff, and per capita value of school plants.

Meredith High School has the privilege of certifying its pupils to any college which grants the certification privilege. The school is rated "A" by the State Department of Education and is classified as an approved high school. The sound preparation of our graduates is shown by their success in college and other institutions of higher learning.

The real test of any organization is the quality of its product. So, at Meredith High School, the real test is the quality of the child which the school produces. This type of outcome is largely intangible. It

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consists of such qualities as cooperation, courtesy, neatness, effort, self-control, promptness, respect for property, emotional stability, and proper health habits. Yet their development does have an important place at Meredith High School. Visitors at the school often comment favorably on the attitude of our pupils. We feel justified in believing that the school is doing commendable work, that it is returning full value for the investment made to it, and that it deserves the confidence of the community.

Report of Progress

I wish to bring to your attention some of the major changes that have taken place during the past year.

SCHEDULE: With the opening of school in September a revised time schedule was placed in operation which provides among other things six class recitation periods, four of 60 minute duration and two of 50 minutes, and an activities period on Wednesday and Thursday of each week. The six-period day with 50 or 60 minute periods solves many scheduling difficulties and increases learning efficiency. With the cooperation of students, teachers and parents it was possible to shorten the lunch period from 60 to 45 minutes and the school day from 3:35 p. m. to 3:10 p. m. This schedule has proven beneficial to all concerned; it allows pupils to work after school hours; it provides more time for athletics and more time for pupils to take part in outside activities.

The activities which meet on Wednesday and Thursday of each week are Band, Glee Club, Girls' Shop, Bachelors' Club (Boys Cooking Class), Ski Club, Pinnacle Commercial Club, Personal Typing, Hi-Y Club, Intramural basketball for boys and girls, and Driver Training. During this time set aside for these activities, the pupils do not have any formal classes but may, if they wish, join any of the above activities.

The gradual but definite development of the idea that high school is more than preparation for college and that good secondary school training means infi-

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nately more than a mastery of the content of text-books, has put emphasis upon many forms of activity in the school which are not taught in organized classes. To a great extent the primary difference between these out-of-class activities and the regular class work is in the breaking down of specific subject matter patterns and in providing for the uniting of freshman and sophomores, juniors and seniors in groups controlled by similarity of interests rather than academic classification. These activities may supplement the home, prepare for life's work, develop special talents, train in cooperation, develop personality, and train for citizenship.

The aims of these activities are (1) to secure general participation of the pupils in the form of social life suited to their interests and capacities (2) to develop social ideals and habits of conduct in conformity with the highest standards (3) to discover and develop capacities for leadership (4) to develop in all habits of responsibility either as leaders or as members of a group.

REPORT CARD: Another important development has occurred in the field of school's report to the home. The teachers working through a committee, have, after much study, adopted a revised report card which they feel will enable the school to provide the parent with a more complete picture of the individual's progress in his school work. The new card, larger than that formerly in use, is of the folded type and attractive in appearance. In addition to reporting the pupil's standing in his several subjects the revised card makes provision for reporting his attitude towards his work in the subject. This we feel is an important factor to success in school. A separate portion of the card is set aside in which to report the pupil's attendance and tardiness record for each marking period. This six week report is being supplemented between report card periods by a special report to the parents in the form of a warning letter. This warning letter serves to inform the parent of the pupil's unsatisfactory progress in the subject and urges a conference with the teacher in an effort to improve the condition. As of

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this writing, the warning letter has been most gratifying. As we continue to use it, I hope that it will not only serve to raise the quality of individual performance, but be instrumental in bringing the home and school closer together.

In keeping with current practice a five division letter scale is employed. Attitude marks are reported by means of a four point number scale. The final page of the new card contains a message to parents from the teachers. All parents should read this message carefully for it indicates ways in which the home and the school can work together to secure the fullest development possible, of the pupil.

A unique feature has been the preparation of a Special Teacher Report which the subject teacher may use to supplement the mark itself, especially, in those cases where the work has been of a failing quality. This report was devised and made a part of the home report in the belief that this added comment from the teacher would be of value to the parents in discussing with his boy or girl reasons for the failing or unsatisfactory work. The new card, incorporating as it does, the best in current practice in the matter of home reports at the public secondary level, is an achievement in which teachers and patrons of the school may well take considerable pride.

Student Activities

STUDENT COUNCIL: Once again the Student Council has been organized. It is composed of two representatives from each of the four upper classes. They have been instrumental in planning and putting into operation, rules, and regulations for the use of the gymnasium and also the arrangement of classes at assemblies. It serves as a means for securing student opinion on matters of school interest and it is hoped that it will continue to play an increasingly important role in the life of the school.

ASSEMBLIES: One of the major decisions to be made by all young people is that of choosing a vocation or career. In the past young people have received from

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their high school little vocational information and guidance. The selection of a life's work was left largely to chance with the result that many individuals went through life doing a job for which they had no aptitude or liking.

Today it is agreed that one of the major objectives of secondary education is that of guiding youth into the vocation to which they are best adapted. Success in the fulfilment of this objective can contribute greatly to the future happiness and prosperity of the individuals.

In order to more completely acquaint Meredith High School students with opportunities and qualifications needed for success in various careers, career assemblies have been scheduled during the school year. Some of these assemblies will be on Law, Salesmanship, Art, Science, Medicine, Home Economics, Agriculture, Fashion Modeling, Radio, Aviation, Secretarial Work, Engineering, Nursing and Journalism.

Each speaker will present to the student the facts about a career including the general information, the training, the nature of the job, and the rewards available.

If these "Career Assemblies" prove to be successful, they will become an annual event at Meredith High, and thus make it possible for a student to learn a great deal about many careers in his four years of high school. Information gained from these talks on various careers will, it is believed, greatly aid in a more intelligent selection of a life's work.

ATHLETICS: Athletics continue to be the major extra-curricula activity of the school. Having lost several strong players through graduation, our boy's basketball team is now in the process of building for years to come. We may expect a fair season for next year but should look forward to banner years in the years that follow.

As I have observed our athletic program, the thing that has impressed me most has been the number of boys and girls who go out for this sport. Over 22 boys

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are now engaged in basketball and this is a school that has but 43 boys in grades 9 — 12! The picture is even more impressive in girls' basketball, with 30 of the 61 girls in the school engaging in this activity.

While it is gratifying to have so many turn out for athletics, it nevertheless taxes our available facilities to the utmost and presents somewhat of a problem in providing adequate time for instruction and practice for all, especially since this is an activity that is carried on after school. With the cooperation of the two coaches, an afternoon practice schedule has been drawn up which insures an equitable sharing of the gymnasium by both boys and girls and thus avoids evening practice.

Meredith High School is classified as a "Class C" school by the N. H. State Athletic Association. This means that the school has less than 51 boys enrolled. If the school had more than 51 boys enrolled we would be classified as a "Class B" school. This athletic classification, which appears in many newspapers, should not be confused with the "Class A" rating that is awarded to us by the State Department of Education.

DRIVER EDUCATION: Meredith High School is again fortunate to have a course in Driver Training. This course is intensive and thorough. Two periods a week of classroom work precede and follow actual driver instruction. The student knows what makes the car "tick" before he is allowed to operate it. In actual driving, four students are taken out at a time, each driving a 15 minute turn at the wheel while others sit back and listen to instructions.

The car is loaned by Pynn's Garage and is returned at the end of the course. The School District pays for only gas, oil and insurance.

RADIO BROADCASTS: Every Tuesday from 4:00 to 4:05 p. m. and 5:00 to 5:15 p. m. students from Meredith High School take part in a radio program from Station WLNH in Laconia.

A radio program is hard work, but it is a lot of fun, and there is a great deal of satisfaction in it. The students are very enthusiastic and really work hard;

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these students are willing to stay after school hours to work on a script. The radio program brings about growth, ingenuity, interest and cooperation of the boys and girls. Their self-forgetfulness and teamwork in the interest of a perfect production is really amazing.

Adult Education

Education begins with birth and continues to the grave. Every good school system should give some consideration to educational possibilities beyond the elementary and high school levels.

Adults should have an opportunity for education. This has been provided during this school year by offering such courses as typewriting and stenography, dressmaking and woodworking. The adults who have participated in these adventures have been enthusiastic about these classes. We hope that we will be able to continue these worthwhile services to the community.

Cheerleader Tournament

One of the major events of the year to be held at Meredith was the first cheerleading tournament in the State of New Hampshire. This tournament brought together eleven Central New Hampshire high school cheerleader teams. This affair was an outstanding success. We hope that this will become an annual event but the only disappointing note about the tournament was accommodation. The high school gym cannot and will not be able to accommodate an audience of 300 persons.

Probably the town should reconsider the building of an extension to the high school gym. If our basketball team has a banner year later on and we continue this cheerleading tournament, attendance might become so large that we will not be able to accommodate. The

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publicity received from such affairs would pay, in a few years, for such an extension to the gym.

Conclusion

The teachers and pupils of Meredith High School join me in appreciation of your constant support, your enthusiastic interest in our activities, and the generosity you display when we call upon you, collectively and individually for assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

Frederick J. Delaney
Headmaster

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SCHOOL NURSE'S ANNUAL REPORT

One child was taken to Laconia Hospital for a T & A and brought home the next day.

Seven children were taken to Dr. Oliver in Laconia for eye examinations.

One child was taken to Mr. Hammond in Laconia for glasses.

Three children were taken to the Hitchcock Clinic in Hanover for eye examinations.

One child was taken to Laconia Hospital for a chest X-ray and blood count.

A Child Health Conference was held for pre-school children. Complete physical examinations were given by Dr. Turley. Thirty-six children attended and 27 were inoculated.

Eyes were tested in the first six grades and part of the high school.

All the pupils in school were weighed and measured.

A dental clinic was held for the first and second grades by Dr. Deneault. Work was completed on thirteen children.

A dental clinic was held for the fourth grade by Dr. Pottle. Work was completed on seventeen children.

Hearing tests were done on all of the pupils. Five pupils were found to have defective hearing.

One pupil was taken to the T. B. Clinic in Laconia.

Physical examinations were completed on the children of the first three grades, forty-three pupils at the High School, and the children at Meredith Center.

The children in the first eight grades have taken cod-liver oil tablets daily.

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There are still many cases of pediculosis in the schools.

The cooperation of the Superintendent of Schools, the School Board, the teachers and the parents has been much appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,
Lillie Belle Jacobs, R. N.

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TABLE OF ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

School Year Ending June 30, 1948

School and Teacher	Number half days School in session	Total Enrollment	Number of pupils (Av. Membership)	Percent of Attendance	No. of tardinesses per pupil	Pupils not absent or tardy entire year
SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL	352	121	110.32	94.77	1.29	11
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL						
GRADE 8	352	40	36.46	97.60	.38	7
GRADE 7	352	32	30.71	95.05	.16	4
Frederick J. Delaney						
Albert Aucoin						
Leland Collins						
J. E. Humiston						
Ruth Humiston						
Eleanor Jackson						
Enid Randall						
Alfred Rudge						
Everdean Vancore						
LANG STREET SCHOOL						
Grade 6	352	31	30.20	96.82	.0	6
Elizabeth Thompson						
Grade 5	352	36	33.20	95.27	.25	1
Una McKee						
Grade 4	352	37	34.29	95.12	.12	2
Hope Lincoln						
Grade 3	352	40	35.12	93.90	.54	0
Elizabeth Bickford						
Grade 2	352	32	26.86	91.84	.18	0
Eleanor Rock						
Grade 1	352	43	38.01	91.87	.06	0
Nina Taylor						
Principal—Robert A. Bragg						
MEREDITH CENTER						
Ethelyn M. Thomas	352	20	17.82	90.90	27.50	0
All Meredith Schools	352	432	392.99	94.31	1.97	31

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SCHOOL CALENDAR

1949—————1950

Schools Open	Schools Close
Sept. 7, 1949 (16 weeks)	Dec. 23, 1949
Jan. 3, 1950 (7 weeks)	Feb. 17, 1950
Feb. 27, 1950 (7 weeks)	Apr. 14, 1950
Apr. 24, 1950 (8 weeks)	June 16, 1950

HOLIDAYS

October 12, 1949—Columbus Day

November, 24, 25, 1949—Thanksgiving

May 30, 1950—Memorial Day

Total number of school days according to above calendar is 183. The minimum allowed by State Board regulations is 180. This means that days lost due to bad weather or other causes must not exceed 3. Any days missed, in excess of 3, must be made up, probably by lengthening the school term after June 16.

Time taken during the year for institutes or attendance by teachers at educational meetings, not to exceed 8 days, need not be made up.

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PRESENT SCHOOL ENROLLMENT
and
TEACHING STAFF — 1948 - 49

Schools	Enrollment	Teacher
High School		
Grade 12	16	Frederick J. Delaney Headmaster
Grade 11	28	Albert Aucoin
Grade 10	28	Dorothy Reilly
Grade 9	38	Alfred Rudge
Grade 8	27	John E. Humiston
Grade 7	37	Ruth Humiston
Total	174	Marion Randall Eleanor Jackson Leland Collins
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Lang Street		Robert Bragg, Principal
Grade 6	32	Elizabeth Thompson
Grade 5	37	Una McKee
Grade 4	35	Hope Lincoln
Grade 3	28	Elizabeth Bickford
Grade 2	27	Eleanor Rock
Grade 2	3	Margaret Upham
Grade 1	21	Margaret Upham
Grade 1	23	Nina A. Taylor
Total	206	
Meredith Center	18	Ethelyn M. Thomas
GRAND TOTAL	398	
Supervisor of Music		Donald E. Musgrove

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HONOR ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Not Absent or Tardy Entire Year—1947 - 48

Patricia Converse	Claire Allen
Lewis Clark	Lucy Higgins
Herbert Hood	Charles Howe
Earle Lund	Marguerite McGuigan
Beverly Moulton	George Ragna
James Ruel	Joyce Thomas
Barbara Towle	Beverly Farnham
Irmabelle Fortier	Louise King
Dorothy McCormack	Priscilla Morrison
Madeline Nedeau	Patricia Ruel
Kenneth Cochran	Barbara Downing
Margaret Partridge	June Clark
Wyman Dickey	Donald Gordon
Roberta Kimball	Richard Mooney
Anita Perkins	Dawn Wyatt
Weymouth Fogg	Carol Hart
Francis Perkins	Linda Wyatt

TUITION PUPILS — FALL TERM 1948

Residence	High School	Elementary
Center Harbor	5	
Holderness	4	
Moultonboro	22	
New Hampton	1	6

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GRADUATING CLASS — 1948

*Charlotte Mae Avery	Peter A. Lunt
*Carolyn Margaret Baker	*Rita Mary Mooney
*Ramona May Brown	Austin R. Morrill, Jr.
*Shirley E. Downing	Janet L. Obert
*Jane Ellen Flather	Joyce Mary Pickering
Lester H. Fogg, Jr.	*Lyndol George Pocock
Ellsworth C. Glidden	Wendell S. Racine
*Margaret Amy Gordon	Ibra B. Royea
Richard O. Greatorex	*Mary Jane Stafford
Charles S. P. Howe	*Beatrice Elaine Taylor
Joan Jackson	Elton Paul Thompson
Darrell E. Kennedy	George Weeks, Jr.
Elsie Arlene Leggett	*Kay Ramona Weeks
Earle L. Lund, Jr.	Beatrice Ramona Willoughby
* Honors	

CLASS MOTTO: Today Decides Tomorrow

CLASS COLOR: Red and White

CLASS FLOWER: White Rose

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PRIZES

The following prizes were announced or presented to the recipients at the graduation exercises:

Mary Blaisdell Improvement Award	..Elaine Taylor '48
Bausch & Lomb Science Award	Shirley Downing '48
Balfour Plaque & Key AwardShirley Downing '48
Becker Business College AwardMary Stafford '48
Huntress All Round Achievement Cup	Shirley Downing
Alumni Cup Kay Weeks '48
American Legion Citizenship PrizeKay Weeks '48
American Legion Post No. 33 Award	Ramona Brown '48 Shirley Downing '48
Readers Digest AwardShirley Downing '48
Roger H. Wyatt MemorialRichard Greatorex '48
D. A. R. AwardKay Weeks '48 Margaret Gordon '48
Legion Auxiliary Award, Grade 8Mary Neal '52

Vital Statistics

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Registered in the Town of Meredith, New Hampshire For the Year Ending December 31, 1948

Date of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Number	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
Dec., 1947				
	5 James Lawrence	2	Gerald L. Taylor	Elizabeth A. Hughes
	23 Richard Edward	3	Lee E. Smith	Voila E. Mudgett
	28 Larry Pelczar	1	Louis Pelczar	Josephine I. Holmes
January, 1948				
	1 Laurence Arthur	1	Edward G. Greemore	Lorraine V. Wilkins
	1 Henry Joseph	2	Edward G. Greemore	Lorraine V. Wilkins
	3 Paul Frank	1	Frank L. Blake	Jacqueline P. Maheux
	5 Lewis Harland	2	Lewis H. Lamper	Arline L. Hamilton
	7 James Arthur	1	Nathaniel S. Hoyt	Mary L. Harriman
	10 Gary Alan	2	Leroy Moulton, Jr.	Pauline E. Cotton
	21 William Earle	2	Elzar T. Blan	Diana A. Welch
Feb.	3 Linda Jean	1	Richard N. Beach	Bertha Ella Dow
	6 Madeline Frances	4	William G. Biddiscombe	Beatrice M. Poiri
	15 Gary Fred	2	Raymond J. Bolduc	Virginia B. Patten
Mar.	1 Jeanne Elaine	2	William C. Fifield	Ethel Etchells
	2 Robert Paul	2	Paul T. Ambrose	Jane B. Langer
	17 Keith Robert	2	Raymond A. Hutchins	Mary Marsh
	23 Bette Lois	3	John E. Marden	Elizabeth G. Pynn
	27 Marianne	1	Cl'ence E. Pickering Jr.	Margaret E. Shaw
	26 Thomas Richard	3	Sylvester C. Weeks	Anna M. S. Jenness
	29 Ira Merrill 3rd	1	Ira M. Weeks, Jr.	Elloyd O. Harvey
Apr.	2 Joseph Edward, Jr.	1	Joseph E. Demers	Maion I. Cochran
	7 Rosemary	2	Edward F. Lutz	Evelyn M. Cross
	12 Kathleen Leslie	1	Harmon H. McNab	Natalie A. Weeks
	13 Peter Donald	1	Lawrence E. Hart	Gerda B. Nuler
	18 Barbara Ann	2	Barnard H. Plume	Carrie E. Downing
	22 Madeline	7	James W. Amabile	Ruth E. Weld
	27 Carol Lee Ann	1	Un-named	Harriet Hoyt
	29 Ann Marie	2	Albert C. Aucoin	Helen H. Martin
May	3 Joann	2	Joseph A. Livingston	Marjorie E. Lynde
	6 Sharon Larrayne	2	Roland K. Jenness	Bernice E. Tohmas
	8 Anna Marie	1	Un-named	Dorothy Herbert
	10 Richard Allen	10	Un-named	Patricia G. Dupuis
	19 Clifford Elmer	1	Raymond Harvey	Evelyn F. Davis
	21 Robert Lincoln	2	Richard L. Plaisted	Barbara M. Crimmins
June	6 Larry Dean	6	Morris E. Goss	Elizabeth G. Weeks
	12 Sharyn Kay	6	Richard H. Perkins	Catherine A. Jobin
	24 Gayle Louise	1	Norman E. King	Jacqueline M. Nevers
	24 Leah Lillian	2	John E. Ranlet	Thelma G. Wheeler
	26 Charles Henry, Jr.	2	Charles H. Bonner	Catherine A. Lutz

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Births Registered in the Town of Meredith, New Hampshire For the Year Ending December 31, 1948

Date of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Number	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
July	16 Louis Edward	2	Richard H. Lavallee	Priscilla J. Boulton
	19 Kenneth Robert	2	Robert W. Lake, Sr.	Ruby P. Head
Aug.	21 Keith Austin	1	Olin A. Drake	Hattie M. Ingram
	7 Diann Vi	6	Ernest M. Cogan	Margaret C. Beach
	8 Loretta Ann	1	Un-named	Ruby Cote
	9 Steven Howard	3	Alfred H. Rudge	Gertrude D. Brady
	13 Peter Allen	4	John C. Hoghes	Barbara E. Ashley
	14 Wayne Delivan	1	Delivan D. Taylor	Priscilla M. Ludwick
	17 Diane Leah	1	Royden G. Clark	Ruby M. Hill
	18 Edwin Henry	2	George F. Chandler	Arlene M. Anair
	20 Dennis	2	Harold H. Sargent	Thelma L. Neill
	20 James Carl	2	Nelson T. Currin	Marilyn A. Reid
Sept.	21 Stephen Robert	2	Robert W. Farnum	Dorothea Mellon
	27 Robert Philip	4	Raymond W. Clough	Doris Breton
	6 Richard Arthur	1	Richard S. Merrill	Marjorie A. Hutchins
	7 Wayne Douglas	6	Neil M. MacDonald	Arlene A. Ingalls
	9 Anatole Joseph, Jr.	3	Anatole J. Paquette	Charlotte A. Beede
	12 Peter Raymond, Jr.	1	Peter R. Paffen	Kathleen E. Niles
Oct.	21 Mary Leona	1	Bernard A. Herbert	Leona E. Vinton
	3 Cheryl Ann	2	Bruce J. Locke	Beatrice I. Martin
	24 Nancy Ann	3	Robert Y. Davis	Dorothy A. Johnson
Nov.	26 Gregory Francis	2	Albert O. Berry	Mary E. Irving
	1 Betty Lou	5	Ellsworth Pickering	Elvira A. Nudd
	10 Elizabeth Ann	2	Raymond A. Greene	Mary J. McCoy
	19 John Earl	1	Norman E. Lyford	Thelma M. Ferrin
	19 John Austin	3	John W. Margieson	Mary R. Kelly
26 Judith Ann	2	Delmar C. Miller	Helen E. Mooney	

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Marriages Registered in the Town of Meredith, New Hampshire For the Year Ending December 31, 1948

Date	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age of Each	Name and Residence of Person by Whom Married
Jan. 10	Alfred J. Boley Hilda Louise Hawes	Meredith Meredith	35 32	Rev. Everett Moore Meredith
Feb. 4	Frank X. Fortier Elizabeth Frances Pierce	Meredith Meredith	64 61	Guy U. Horne, J. P. Meredith
Mar. 4	Donald Francis Newell Beverly Louise Anderson	Meredith Center Harbor	21 18	Rev. L. E. Alexander Franklin
	24 Ellsworth William Cotton Gloria Evelyn Brown	Meredith Moultonboro	21 21	Rev. John Morrison Meredith
April 2	Ernest Ray Colburn Beatrice Lillian Stafford	Meredith Meredith Center	40 37	Rev. William Doidge Center Harbor
	11 Wilmont Sanderson White Lois Eugenia Phelps	Moultonboro Meredith	21 19	Rev. Keith Bryar Ctr. Sandwich
	30 Bruce Clifton Lund Norma Beverly Knowles	Meredith Meredith	19 18	Rev. Frank Coleman Laconia
	30 Harold Parker Conner Marjorie Lucy Pickering	Bethel, Maine Meredith Center	20 20	Rev. Geo. Junkins Danbury
May 16	Norman Earl Lyford Thelma Mary Ferrin	Ashland Meredith	21 19	Rev. Paul Nystedt Meredith
	26 Wyman Martin Harvey Hazel Harriet Wilkins	Meredith Meredith	60 40	Rev. J. A. Haines Littleton
	29 Anthony J. Amabile Margaret J. Berry	Meredith Meredith	18 18	Rev. J. A. Haines Littleton
May 31	Robert Philomon Valliere Doris Mercier Bolton	Meredith Moultonboro	24 17	Guy L. Hamel, J. P. Belmont
June 3	William Jerome Southworth Ann Pearl Taylor	Tilton Meredith	21 20	Rev. Everett Moore Meredith
	12 Freeman Day Katharine Clark Harding	Boston, Mass. Boston, Mass.	59 57	Rev. John Morrison Meredith
	21 Kenneth Lloyd Cowing Irene Joan Lugliani	Meredith Meredith	19 19	Rev. Robert Richard Meredith
	21 Francis Kenneth McDonald Evelyn Agnes Duggan	Haverhill, Mass. Lawrence, Mass.	30 31	Rev. Robert Richard Meredith
	26 Lindsey Miner Avis E. Cotton	Meredith Meredith	29 28	Rev. John Morrison Meredith

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Date	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age of Each	Name and Residence of Person by Whom Married
	26 Laurence A. Wilkins Dorothy V. Lloyd	Meredith Medford, Mass.	40 40	Rev. John Morrison Meredith
July	9 Vernon James Wilbourn Anita Belle Carrington	Brookline, Mass. Winthrop, Mass.	52 29	Guy U. Horne, J. P. Meredith
	11 Gerard V. D'Amore, Jr. Marguerite M. Cleary	Meredith Franklin	24	Rev. Robert Richard Meredith
	11 Eugene Edward Haywood Georgette Louise Frawley	Meredith Meredith	23 16	Rev. John Morrison Meredith
	20 Lloyd O. Perkins Jean P. Davis	Holderness Holderness	23 23	Rev. John Morrison Meredith
Aug.	20 Solon Baker Colby, Jr. Eleanor May Randall	Meredith Meredith	21 21	Rev. Adam Arnold Roslindale, Mass.
	27 Robert Arnold Dickerson Betty Lou Chase	Center Harbor Meredith	20	Rev. William Doidge Center Harbor
	28 Sidney Emil Steinberg Lydia Mabel Kloiber	New Britain, Ct. New Britain, Ct.	37 38	Rev. Everett Moore Meredith
Sept.	10 Frederick J. Bott Doris G. Drummond	Nutley, N. J. Hillside, N. J.	36 32	Guy U. Horne, J. P. Meredith
	11 Tristram Barnard Theadora Kilborn	Meredith Meredith	24 26	Rev. J. A. Haines Littleton
Oct.	3 Ralph Leslie Green Barbara Esther Paddleford	Moultonboro Meredith	21 24	Rev. John Morrison Meredith
	12 Paul Robert Marshall Jeanette Thersa Mooney	Meredith Meredith	23 20	Rev. Robert Richard Meredith
Nov.	13 Raymond Cummings Morrill Hazel Mae Juneau	Fitchburg, Mass. Meredith	49 34	Rev. Raymond Bean Lakeport
	20 Rudolph H. Puntanen Elizabeth G. McHugh	Hubbardston, Mass. Meredith	26 21	Rev. Robert Richard Meredith
	24 Lawrence Elwood Morris Barbara Lois Anderson	Meredith Meredith	21 16	Rev. Delane Hodges Plymouth

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Deaths Registered in the Town of Meredith, New Hampshire For the Year Ending December 31, 1948

Date of Death	Name	Age			Place of Birth	Occupation
		Years	Months	Days		
1947						
Nov.	7 Elmer H. Howland	76	5	3	Warren	Farmer
Dec.	15 Bertrand N. Files	69	8	29	Gilford	
Dec.	17 William J. Blake	71	7	7	Meredith	Carpenter
1948						
Jan.	14 Howard G. D'Spain	48	4	4	Col. Springs, Texas	Gen. Mfg. Oil Corp.
	24 Robert W. Lawson	53	2	10	Halifax, N. Scotia	Painter
	12 George K. James	76	8	27	Meredith	Cabinet Maker
	30 Walter Locke	68	5	18	Dunbarton	Laborer
Feb.	7 George P. Collins	43	10	11	Laconia	Auto Dealer
	25 Dudley H. Holbrook	66	3	17	Newport, Vt.	Laborer
	28 Eva S. Blake	87	0	15	Marshfield, Vt.	Retired
Mar.	8 William L. Puffer	87	7	23	Sudbury, Mass.	Professor
	16 Martha A. Blake	71	3	6	Haverhill, N. H.	Housewife
	20 Edwin F. Quimby	62	0	0		
	24 Austin S. Moulton	83	11	12	Moultonboro	Farmer
	28 Charles L. Weeks	83	9	13		Retired
Apr.	4 Horace G. Foote	77	1	21		Retired
June	4 John H. Pollard	67	9	2	Plaistow	Farmer
	24 Gayle L. King	11	Hours		Laconia	
July	7 Etta P. Clough	82	6	9	Spencer, Mass.	
	15 Willie A. Hawkins	86	8	6	Center Harbor	Farmer
	13 George F. Webster	69	9	6	Laconia	Farmer
	24 James M. Young	87	10	0	Louden	Farmer
Aug.	1 Helen A. Blaisdell	91	4	13	Rockland, Maine	Housewife
	25 Genevieve M. Dow	36	9	0	Malone, N. Y.	Housewife
Aug.	29 Blanche M. Wood	81	2	19	Boston, Mass.	Housewife
Sept.	5 William A. Quirk	51	2	25	Charlotto'n, P.E.I.	Generator Operator
	5 George Avery	68	1	14	Topsham, Vt.	Mechanic
	8 William B. Zanes	61	5	23	Pittsfield	Mechanic
	17 Leroy A. Yetton	60	5	28	Calais, Maine	Salesman
	21 John Prescott	86	0	0	Sandwich	
Oct.	6 Elsie A. Blaisdell	66	5	21	E. Boston, Mass.	Housewife
	8 Alice M. Boynton	78	5	2	Laconia	Housewife
	17 Mabel Wiggin	68	5	0	Tuftonboro	Retired
	19 John T. White	77	0	21		Carpenter
	23 Henry R. Robie	65	11	15	North Pembroke	Retired
	28 Anthony Considine	76	0	23	Billerica, Mass.	Mill Carder
Nov.	4 Charles E. Tuttle	80	2	26	Center Harbor	Marine Engineer

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