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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF
COLUMBIA, N. H.
FOR THE YEAR ENDING
December 31, 1972

INCLUDING REPORT
OF THE OFFICERS
OF COLUMBIA
SCHOOL DISTRICT





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THE NEWS & SENTINEL, INC.

Colebrook, New Hampshire

Town Officers

Selectmen

MILTON E. ADAIR CHM	Term Expires 1973
RAY W. PLACY, JR.	Term Expires 1974
ROGER W. YOUNG	Term Expires 1975

Moderator

KENNETH A. PARKHURST

Town Clerk

ISABELLE M. PARKHURST

Treasurer

ISABELLE M. PARKHURST

Tax Collector

ELIZABETH E. ADAIR

Supervisors

MABEL SIMS	Term Expires 1972
ETHEL FRIZZELL	Term Expires 1974
MARY WHITE	Term Expires 1976

Trustees of Trust Funds

HARRY LANG	Term Expires 1972
LEW WALLACE	Term Expires 1973

Auditors

ANNIE FRIZZELL (appointed) RACHEL FRIZZELL

Warrant

State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Columbia, in the County of Coos, in the State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall on Tuesday the 6th day of March, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To vote and bring in ballots for election of Town Officers to be elected by ballot for the Town of Columbia for the year ensuing.

Article 2. To see if the Town will instruct its Selectmen to appoint all other Town Officers as required.

Article 3. To see what sum of money the Town will raise for the support of Town Charges for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a five-man Town Planning Board in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 36 Sec. 2-18 of N. H. Revised Statutes, Annotated. This Planning Board would assume the duties of the Zoning Commission which would then no longer exist.

Article 5. In the event Article No. 4 is passed; To see if the Town will vote to authorize and empower the Planning Board to regulate subdivision of land in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 36, Sec. 19-29 of N. H. Revised Statutes, Annotated.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to pay the five member Planning Board a salary of \$75.00 per year each.

Article 7. To see if the Town will accept and include in the budget the monies received from the State Gas Tax.

Article 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operating expenses of Ambulance District A-1. \$1.25 per capita is requested if needed. \$583.70.

Article 9. To see what action the Town will take with reference to hiring the Colebrook Fire Department and the Stratford Fire Department for the purpose of extinguishing fires in said Town, and in the event of favorable action to make necessary appropriation for the same.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to accept State Aid for Construction of Class V Roads and raise and appropriate or set aside for said purpose the sum of \$545.77, the State to contribute the sum of \$3638.45.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the withdrawal from the Revenue Sharing Fund established under the provisions of the State and Local Assistance Act of 1972 for use as set-offs against budget appropriations in the amount indicated; and, further, to authorize the Selectmen to make pro-rata reductions in the amounts if estimated entitlements are reduced or take any other action hereon;

Appropriation	Estimated Amount
U. C. V. Mental Health Service	\$ 441.00
Use of Dumps	350.00
Upkeep Cemeteries	500.00
White Mt. Region Association	238.01
Public Relief - Town Poor	2,000.00
Old Age Assistance	1,000.00
Road Maintenance (summer)	3,000.00
Town Reappraisal	5,000.00
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	\$12,529.01

If Article No. 11 is accepted, pass over Articles 12, 13, 14, 15 and 20.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to contribute to the Upper Connecticut Valley Mental Health Services, and appropriate for said purpose the sum of \$441.00.

Article 13. To see if the Town will raise \$350.00 for use of dumps.

Article 14. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the upkeep of cemeteries.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$238.01 for the purpose of uniting with the 45 other Towns in the White Mountains Region Association in publicizing and otherwise promoting the natural and commercial factors upon which the economy of the North Country is based.

Article 16. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the support of the poor for the year ensuing.

Article 17. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the Old Age, Blind and Disability Assistance for the year ensuing.

Article 18. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance of summer roads and bridges.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Selectmen to take such action regarding plowing or otherwise keeping winter roads open in said Town for the year ensuing, as in their judgment seems conducive to the best interest of the Town, and appropriate money for the same.

Article 20. To see what sum of money the Town will raise toward Reappraisal of the Town property.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to incur debts for temporary loans in anticipation of the taxes for the ensuing year, and to pay such debts out of tax money when the same is received.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to administer or dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town through Tax Collector's Deeds.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply any surplus remaining in their hands at the end of the fiscal year 1972 to the defraying of Town Charges for the fiscal year 1973 in order to effect a proportionate reduction of the amount to be raised by taxes.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept the reports of agents, auditors, selectmen, and all other officers, and ratify and confirm the same.

Article 25. To transact any other business which may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this 15th day of February, A. D. 1973.

MILTON E. ADAIR
RAY W. PLACY, JR.
ROGER W. YOUNG

A True Copy, Attest:
MILTON E. ADAIR
RAY W. PLACY, JR.
ROGER W. YOUNG

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, COOS, ss: February 15, 1973.

We, MILTON E. ADAIR, RAY W. PLACY, JR. and ROGER W. YOUNG, Selectmen of the Town of Columbia, hereby certify that we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant, at the place of meeting specified and a like copy at a public place in said Town, and delivered to the Town Clerk on the same date the original Warrant.

MILTON E. ADAIR
RAY W. PLACY, JR.
ROGER W. YOUNG

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, COOS, ss: February 15, 1973.

Personally appeared MILTON E. ADAIR, RAY W. PLACY, JR., and ROGER W. YOUNG and made oath that the above Affidavit, by them subscribed is true.

Before Me ISABELLE M. PARKHURST
NOTARY PUBLIC

Budget

ESTIMATED INCOME

Int. & Dividend Tax	\$ 52.00
Railroad Tax	380.00
Savings Bank Tax	137.00
Highway Subsidy	7,328.00
Meals and Room Tax	2,252.00
Revenue from Yield Tax	3,698.00
Business Licenses & Permits	34.00
Dog Licenses	60.00
Motor Vehicle Permits	4,800.00
Rent Town Property	10.00
Sale of Tax Deed	681.00
Resident Tax Retained	1,342.00
Balance Sheet	3,500.00
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	\$24,274.00

APPROPRIATIONS

	Raised 1972	Spent 1972	Estimated 1973
Town Charges	\$ 4,500.00	\$4,080.16	\$4,500.00
Building Maintenance	500.00	506.25	
Fires	1,000.00	619.80	1,000.00
U. C. V. M. H. S.	441.00	441.00	441.00
Dumps	350.00	300.00	350.00
Cemeteries	500.00	307.00	500.00
White Mt. Regional	127.22	127.22	238.01
Public Relief - Town Poor	2,500.00	3,839.82	4,000.00
Old Age Assistance	2,000.00	1,218.08	2,000.00
Town Road Aid TRA	551.46	551.46	545.77
Town Maintenance Summer Roads	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
Town Maintenance Culverts And Bridges	500.00	500.00	1,750.00
Town Maintenance Winter Roads	7,500.00	3,783.22	8,500.00
Payment on Debt F & T	4,000.00	4,000.00	3,000.00
Interest on Debt		350.00	150.00
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	\$ 27,469.68		
Less Estimated Income	24,274.00		
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Net Town Appropriations	\$ 3,195.68		
Net School Appropriations	110,144.58		
County Tax	7,494.05		
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Total Town, School and County Property Exempt Reimbursed	\$120,834.31		
	6,163.00		
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	114,671.31		
War Service Credits	1,450.00		
Overlay	1,414.17		
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Total Property Taxes To Be Raised	\$117,535.48		

TAX RATE - 570

Tax Rate per 100		\$5.70
Municipal	\$.23	
County	.34	
School	5.13	
		\$5.70

INVOICE OF PROPERTY

Land		\$954,826.00
Buildings		\$903,150.00
Electric Companies		162,000.00
Mobile Homes (21)		62,000.00
Boat (1)		50.00
Total Valuation		\$2,082,026.00
Elderly Exemptions (5)		20,000.00
		\$2,062,026.00

FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash with Treasurer Jan. 1, 1973		\$107,036.62
Cash with Planning Board		37.00
Unredeemed Taxes		
1972	\$ 2,511.28	
1971	486.17	
1970	NONE	
Previous	NONE	
		\$ 2,997.45
Uncollected Taxes		
1972	\$90.00	
1971	NONE	
1970	NONE	
Previous	NONE	
		90.00
		\$110,161.07
Due State on		
Uncollected Resident	\$ 40.50	
Due School District	106,144.58	
Unexpended Revenue	3,060.00	
		109,245.08
Surplus		915.99

SCHEDULE OF TOWN EQUIPMENT

Town Hall		\$12,000.00
Furniture & Equipment		500.00
Highway Dept. Land & Bldgs.		3,000.00
Equipment		5,000.00

Selectmen's Report

RECEIPTS

State of New Hampshire Class V Roads	\$ 3,411.44
State of New Hampshire Highway Subsidy	7,321.68
State of New Hampshire Yield Tax	1,991.61
State of New Hampshire Business Profit Tax	6,163.92
State of New Hampshire Meals & Room Tax	2,259.70
State of New Hampshire Savings Bank Tax	136.81
State of New Hampshire Railroad Tax	380.08
State of New Hampshire Int. & Dividend Tax	51.75
Tax Collector	122,726.31
Town Clerk Auto Permits	6,115.65
Town Clerk Dog Licenses	66.00
Town Clerk Filing Fees & Licenses	32.00
Sale of Real Estate	681.00
Thomas Walsh (Drego Settlement)	250.00
Marshall & Kent (Ins. Refund)	28.20
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	\$151,616.15
U. S. Govt. Revenue Sharing - Savings Account	3,060.00
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Total Monies from all Sources	\$154,676.15

PAYMENTS

OFFICERS' SALARIES

Milton Adair, Selectman	\$ 200.00
Ray Placy, Jr., Selectman	200.00
Roger Young, Selectman	200.00
Isabelle Parkhurst, Town Treasurer	200.00
Isabelle Parkhurst, Town Clerk	200.00
Elizabeth Adair, Tax Collector	200.00
Mabel Sims, Supervisor of Checklist	80.00
Ethel Frizzell, Supervisor of Checklist	80.00
Mary White, Supervisor of Checklist	70.00
Milton Adair, Overseer of Poor	52.50
Annie Frizzell, Auditor	30.00
Rachel Frizzell, Auditor	30.00
Kenneth Parkhurst, Moderator	45.00
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Total	\$1,537.50

OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Assessors Association dues	\$ 10.00
Town Clerk Association dues	8.00
Tax Collector Association dues	5.00
Notary Public License	10.00
A. George Agency (Bonds)	97.00
Warren Bartlett (Cards)	49.82
Wheeler & Clark (dog-tags)	15.15
Branham Publishing (Supplies)	7.90
Brown & Saltmarsh (Supplies)	9.86
News & Sentinel (Notices - Tax Bills)	107.99
M/S Printing (Supplies - Town Reports)	332.73
K. Parkhurst (Trip to Tax Commission)	30.00
Harry Lang (Health Officer Exp.)	7.00
I. Parkhurst (T. C. Expenses - Reg. Lic. etc.)	618.56

Roger Young (Timber Tax)	75.00
Milton Adair (5 Night Calls - Cop)	25.00
Milton Adair (Expenses & 3 Trips to Concord)	178.05
Elizabeth Adair (Tax Coll. Expenses)	449.14
Elizabeth Adair (Clerical & Expenses)	294.28

TOTAL \$2,330.48

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

M/S Printing (Ballots)	\$18.53
News & Sentinel (Notices)	16.74
Juanita Adair (Ballot Clerk)	24.00
Edith Clark (Ballot Clerk)	24.00
	<u>\$83.27</u>

TOWN BUILDINGS

Public Service Co.	\$ 26.89	
N. H. Electric Coop.	16.22	
K. Parkhurst (fires)	10.00	
Parkhurst & Sons (bulbs - fuses - plowing)	5.80	
Philip Riendeau (wood)	20.00	
		<u>\$ 78.91</u>
Roofing Garage		
M. Adair (Mat. & Labor)	\$202.00	
Parkhurst & Sons (Materials)	304.25	
		<u>\$506.25</u>
		<u>\$585.16</u>

CEMETERIES

Jacqueline Cass	\$300.00
M. Adair (Reimbursed money paid to William Rollins)	7.00
	<u>\$307.00</u>

FIRES

Town of Stratford		
Betty Coates Fire 5 - 9 - 71	\$ 49.35	
Avis Shatney 7 - 9 - 71	56.35	
Verne Reynolds 7 - 23 - 71	76.85	
Mike Chaplick 11 - 26 - 71	51.00	
		<u>\$233.55</u>
Town of Colebrook		
Rainville Fire 4 - 3 - 72	\$251.50	
MCRR 5 - 23 - 72	134.75	
		<u>386.25</u>
		<u>\$619.80</u>

TOWN POOR

Public Service (Clarence Goodrum)	\$ 64.36
Boudle Oil Co. (Clarence Goodrum)	48.81
Dickson's Drugs (Clarence Goodrum)	93.19
Laperle's Store (Clarence Goodrum)	15.12

LaPerle's Store (Eileen Parker)	432.34
Milton Adair (Clarence Goodrum)	
Transportation	828.50
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	\$1,482.32

State of N. H. Welfare Assistance	
Helen Reynolds	\$731.70
Andre Goodreau	382.40
Violet Goodreau	419.15
Clarence Goodrum	486.85
George Coates	291.30
Fred Jessman	46.10
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	2,357.50

\$3,839.82

State of N. H. Old Age Assistance	
Annie Lawton	188.00
William Reynolds	400.84
George Warner	627.24
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	1,216.08

1,216.08

\$5,055.90

ROADS - BRIDGES - CULVERTS

	Town Maintenance Summer	Town Maintenance Winter	Highway Subsidy	Duncan Fund
Nugent Motors	\$ 517.95	\$3,479.25	\$3,245.75	
Roger Young	31.86			\$ 103.68
Roy Fogg	9.08			
G. Gould	38.50			
D. Brooks	35.50			222.75
S. Gray	1,927.11		757.62	2,326.53
Eames	440.00		682.00	
Davis				48.60
Peterson		255.00	45.00	
Sanel		11.80		
F. Chapple			557.50	
F. G. Chapple			50.00	
H. Gadwah			6.00	
K. Parkhurst			7.00	
N. E. Culvert Corp.	500.00	37.17	2,225.78	709.44
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	\$3,500.00	\$3,783.22	\$7,576.66	\$3,411.00

\$18,270.88

These figures include \$610.00 credit given for the use of town equipment.

MISCELLANEOUS

Annie Frizzell - School Treasurer	\$64,416.87
Coos County Treasurer - County Tax	7,494.05
Farmers & Traders Bank - Note	4,000.00

Farmers & Traders Bank - Interest	350.00
State of New Hampshire -Bond & Debt Retirement Tax	551.58
State of New Hampshire - Resident Taxes	1,165.95
State of New Hampshire - Boat Tax	.42
State of New Hampshire - Revaluating Oct. - Nov.	1,317.83
State of New Hampshire - TRA	551.46
Upper Conn. Valley Mental Health Service	441.00
White Mt. Regional Association	127.22
Marshall & Kent - Insurance	34.00
Lyndonville Office Equip. - File Safe	259.50
Town of Stratford - Dump	200.00
Town of Colebrook - Dump	100.00
William Mountain - Refund	22.00
E. Adair - Taxes Bought by Town	2,722.37

\$83,754.25

RECAP OF ALL ACCOUNTS

Officers Salaries	\$ 1,587.50
Officers' Expenses	2,330.48
Election & Registration	83.27
Town Buildings	585.16
Cemeteries	307.00
Fires	619.80
Town Poor - OAA	5,055.90
Roads -Bridges	18,270.88
Misc.	83,754.25
Total Expenditures	\$112,594.24
Less Credit Shown	610.00
Total Payments By Check	\$111,984.24

Town Clerk's Report

During the year ending December 31, 1972, I have recorded in this office 5 births, 11 marriages and 9 deaths.

Licenses were paid to me on 33 dogs for a total of \$66.00. I have issued motor vehicle permits amounting to \$6,115.65. I also received \$7.00 in filing fees during the year. All amounts have been deposited to the Town Treasurer.

ISABELLE M. PARKHURST
Town Clerk

Treasurer's Report

Cash on Hand January 1, 1972	\$ 64,344.71
Received from all sources	154,676.15
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	\$219,020.86
Less Selectmen's Orders	111,984.24
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Cash on hand January 1, 1973	\$107,036.62

ISABELLE M. PARKHURST
Treasurer

Tax Collector's Report

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS

PROPERTY, RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES

Levy of 1972

Debits

Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property taxes	\$116,479.76	
Resident taxes	2,440.00	
Yield Taxes	2,048.68	
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Total Warrant		\$120,968.44
Added Resident Taxes	40.00	
Redemption after '72 sale	211.09	
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		251.09
Interest & Penalties Collected during the year		488.46
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Total Debits		\$121,707.99

Credits

Remittances to treasurer		
Property taxes	\$116,000.40	
Resident taxes	2,360.00	
Yield taxes	2,048.68	
Interest & Penalties collected	488.46	
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		\$120,897.54
Abatements during year		
Property taxes	\$ 690.45	
Resident taxes	30.00	
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		720.45
Uncollected as of 12-31-72		
Property taxes	NONE	
Resident taxes	\$ 90.00	
Yield taxes	NONE	
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		90.00
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Total Credits		\$121,707.99

Uncollected Resident taxes

Ball, William Jr.
DeBoer, Rev. Louis
DeBoer, Mrs.
Lafond, Laura
Lawton, Gordon
Linscott, Leonard
Linscott, Patricia
Osgood, Florence
Sperry, Claudia

TOTAL UNCOLLECTED

\$ 90.00

**SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1972**

Debits

Tax Sale on Acct. of Levies of	1972	1971	1970	Prev. Years
Unredeemed 1 - 1 - 72		\$1,591.90	\$561.98	\$106.30
Current Yr. Sales to town	\$2,722.37			
Interest Collected after Sale		54.99	121.65	19.52
Total Debits	\$2,722.37	\$1,646.89	\$683.63	\$125.82

Credits

Remittances to treasurer				
Redemptions	\$ 211.09	\$ 879.47	\$524.13	\$ 50.41
Interest Collected		54.99	121.65	19.52
Abatements (Not Collectable)		226.26		
Tax Collector's deed			37.85	55.89
Unredeemed 12 - 31 - 72	2,511.28	486.17		
Total Credits	\$2,722.37	\$1,646.89	\$683.63	\$125.82

Unredeemed Taxes From Tax Sales

	1972	1971	1970	Previous Years
Bacon, William		\$164.38		
Burness, Louis		22.23		
Caron, Robert	\$ 180.68	164.46		
Cass, Jacqueline	199.09			
Garland, Carroll	37.11			
Goodrum, Bernard	123.59	74.28		
Herres, David	100.28			
Howard, Dean	65.83	60.82		
Howard, John	11.26			
King, Fred	65.83			
McKenes, John et al	401.56			
Parker, Lyford	817.43			
Pratt, William	127.85			
Sapei, Delphine	65.83			
Sperry, James	249.11			
Weare, Dexter et al	65.83			
	\$2,511.28	\$486.17	NONE	NONE

"I hereby certify that the above list showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer as of December 31, 1972 is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief."

ELIZABETH ADAIR
Tax Collector

Levy 1971
SUMMARY OF RESIDENT AND YIELD TAXES

Debits		
Uncollected as of 1 - 1 - 72		
Resident Taxes	\$110.00	
Yield taxes	30.60	
Total Uncollected		\$140.60
Added Resident taxes		70.00
Penalties Collected		8.00
Total Debits		\$218.60
Credits		
Remittances to Treasurer		
Resident taxes	\$140.00	
Yield taxes	30.60	
Penalties Collected	8.00	
		\$178.60
Abatements		
Resident	\$40.00	
Uncollected 12 - 31 - 72	NONE	
		40.00
Total Credits		\$218.60

"I hereby certify that the preceding tax Collector's reports, as of December 31, 1972, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief."

ELIZABETH ADAIR
Tax Collector

PIANNING BOARD REPORT 1972

Building applications received		24
Building Permits approved		24
Expenses:		
Ellingwood-maps	\$ 1.00	
M/S Printing-maps	10.00	
	Total	\$11.00
Receipts: (\$2.00 per application)		\$48.00
	Less expenses	11.00
	Bal. on hand	\$37.00
	December 31, 1972	
	Clement E. Brault, D. M. D.	
	Secretary.	

AUDITORS REPORT

We hereby certify that we have examined the books and accounts of the Town Clerk, Treasurer, Tax Collector, and Trustees of Trust Funds, and Selectmen of the Town of Columbia and to the best of our ability, find them correctly computed and accounted for.

January 23, 1973
Auditors
ANNIE FRIZZELL
RACHEL M. FRIZZELL

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND DISTRICT CHIEF

In New Hampshire, forest fire control is a cooperative State-town program. The Town Forest Fire Warden, appointed by the Director, Division of Resources Development upon recommendation of the Selectmen and the State's District Forest Fire Chief is responsible for fire suppression and other related duties. The State shares equally with the town in the cost of most forest fires, except illegal and careless fires, which are charged to the responsible party. The State further provides fire detection services, prevention programs, fire training for town wardens and crews, and back up equipment for fire suppression.

By authority of the State, the Town Forest Fire Warden controls all outside burning in his town except backyard cooking fires. Any person wishing to kindle a fire when the ground is not covered with snow must obtain a fire permit, free of cost, from the Town Forest Fire Warden. No permits will be issued for fires between 9:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M. unless it is raining, except for commercial purposes.

Please be careful when using fire, remember it can be an extremely useful tool when under control but once allowed to run wild it can become a disastrous and devastating force. Only you can prevent a forest fire.

Number of fires reported and acres burned - 1972 season.

STATE - N. H.	470 fires	361 acres	burned
District - No. 7	11 fires	12 acres	burned
TOWN - Columbia	0 fires	0 acres	burned

DISTRICT CHIEF
Gleason McCullough

FOREST FIRE WARDEN
Kenneth Parkhurst

TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA, N. H., FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1972

NAME OF TRUST FUND	PURPOSE OF TRUST FUND	HOW INVESTED	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Balance End Year
Mary E. Walker	Care of Cemetery Lot	Farmers & Traders Nat'l & S. Bank	\$ 707.15	\$32.37		\$ 739.52
Mrs. Warren Marshall	Care of Cemetery Lot	Farmers & Traders Nat'l & S. Bank	116.23	5.32		121.55
Ellen Cleaveland	Care of Cemetery Lot	Farmers & Traders Nat'l & S. Bank	155.61	7.12		162.73
Henry Forristall	Care of Cemetery Lot	Colebrook Guar. Savings Bank	344.43	17.55		361.98
Thomas W. Wallace	Care of Cemetery Lot	Colebrook Guar. Savings Bank	1,490.21	75.92	\$37.00	1,529.13
		TOTALS	\$2,813.63	\$138.28	\$37.00	\$2,914.91

CERTIFICATE

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

January 9, 1973

LEW WALLACE AND HARRY LANG, Trustees

1971-1972
SCHOOL REPORT
Columbia School District

Officers

Moderator
KENNETH PARKHURST

Clerk
ANNIE FRIZZELL

Treasurer
ANNIE FRIZZELL

Auditors
THERESA PERRY MARY LOU PLACEY

School Board
ERWIN PARKHURST, Chairman Term Expires 1975
STEWART RAINVILLE Term Expires 1973
HAROLD PERRY Term Expires 1974

Superintendent of Schools
STEPHEN E. DEHL

Business Administrator
PERLEY E. DAVIS

COLUMBIA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Warrant

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Columbia qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on Tuesday, the 6th day of March, 1973, immediately following the Town District meeting, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To bring in your ballots for the election of the School District Officers to be elected by ballot for the School District of Columbia for the ensuing year(s).
2. To bring in your ballots on the following: "Shall the School District accept the provisions of RSA 195-A (as amended) providing for the establishment of an Authorized Regional Enrollment Area plan (tuition contract) with the School District of Colebrook to serve grades 1 - 12 from the School District of Columbia in accordance with the provisions of the plan on file with the district clerk?"
3. 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.
4. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees, or officers chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.
5. To see if the District will vote to support the Early Childhood program and raise money for the same.
6. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to make application for and to accept, on behalf of the District, any or all grants or offers for educational purposes which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the State of New Hampshire and/or the United States.
7. To see what sum of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents and for the payment of the statutory obligations of the District.
8. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Columbia this 16th day of February, 1973.

ERWIN PARKHURST, Chairman

HAROLD PERRY

STEWART RAINVILLE

A true copy of warrant - attest:

ERWIN PARKHURST, Chairman

HAROLD PERRY

STEWART RAINVILLE

Superintendent's Report

The announcement by the Sisters of Our Lady of Grace of the closing of their elementary school this coming June is received with disappointment and regret. For many years the school has provided a distinct need and has assisted in the overall education program for youngsters in the local and surrounding school districts. A sincere thank you and grateful appreciation is extended to the Sisters and faculty of Our Lady of Grace.

The closing of the school will mean that approximately 60 or more youngsters in grades 1 - 8 will have to be absorbed in the local public schools this coming September. This will not be accomplished without overloading and crowding the present limited facilities. Plans of the School Board and building planning committee, however, do call for resolving the situation in the near future.

This year, the voters in the towns of Columbia and Colebrook are being asked to vote on an Authorized Regional Enrollment Area (AREA) plan to serve the two towns. The plan is a five year tuition contract plan whereby the Town of Colebrook agrees to accept tuition pupils from the Town of Columbia and Columbia in turn agrees to send its pupils to Colebrook.

There are advantages and disadvantages for both towns but it is the recommendation of both school boards and both AREA planning committees that the following advantages far outweigh the disadvantages:

1. Acceptance of the plan would make possible a sounder basis for future planning either in educational or building programs in that Colebrook School District would be assured of an added source of revenue (tuition) for a five year span.
2. State Building Aid for expansion, purchase or construction of buildings under this plan would be increased from 30% to 40% for the Colebrook School District and would remain at 40% until such indebtedness is paid in full.
3. State Incentive Aid based on \$45 per elementary pupil and \$75 per high school pupil would be received by the Colebrook School District for such tuition pupils received from Columbia.
4. The Columbia School District would be assured of an educational facility for five years to which it can send its pupils and at a tuition rate established by an agreed upon formula.
5. Joint school board meetings would be held at least twice a year during which time problems, recommendations and proposals would be discussed.

The disadvantage is that both school districts are committed to a contract for five years. This normally leads to the question "What happens if there should be a substantial pupil population increase during the five year term in either or both towns that may warrant a town to maintain its own schools and not send or receive any tuition pupils?" Should such an event occur, and the possibility has been considered by both boards and planning committees, it is anticipated that such an increase would not take place overnight and the proposed AREA plan does allow for revision or termination of the plan every five years. Should a sudden and rapid pupil population increase occur, however, emergency alterna-

tives such as a split morning and noon school session would have to be employed for a limited time until the situation is resolved.

The proposed plan presents what is now traditionally taking place between the two school districts and it is sincerely recommended that it be adopted by the voters in both communities.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN E. DEHL

Superintendent of Schools

GUIDANCE COUNSELOR'S REPORT

Guidance is a continuous developmental process which ideally should enable each student to understand himself better, to make sound decisions, to develop healthy attitudes and to achieve an awareness of his responsibility to himself and to others. Listed below are some of the activities directed toward these ends which have been initiated during the past year.

1. Each student's Cumulative Record Folder is being updated.
2. A profile Sheet has been developed for each student in Grades 9 - 11 inclusive. This sheet contains information gathered concerning the student's ability, aptitudes, achievements, attitudes, interests and personality. The development of these sheets is an ongoing process with new information being added as it is obtained.
3. A Career Development Program utilizing one period a week has been instituted in the Pittsburg seventh and eighth grades and the Stewartstown eighth grades.
4. A follow-up by phone or personal contact has been made in the case of each of last year's Seniors in order to ascertain exactly what they are doing as related to what they had intended to do.
5. A system of referrals for handling special cases in cooperation with the Upper Connecticut Valley Mental Health Services Inc., has been set up. Each referral necessitates at least one home visitation on the part of the Guidance Counselor.
6. In a number of cases, evening interviews have been held with students (past or present) and/or their parents concerning Education or Career plans.
7. A Guidance Inventory Survey intended to predict needed changes which could possibly prevent certain students from becoming problems or drop-outs has been administered to every Pittsburg student in grades 9 - 11 and to Freshmen in Colebrook.
8. A Strong Vocational Interest Survey has been administered

to individual Seniors who were completely unsure of future plans. The results of these Surveys have been discussed with each student concerned.

9. Arrangements have been made for students to meet with representatives of colleges and also representatives of the Armed Services.
10. The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery has been administered to nearly all students 9 - 12 and the results are being discussed with each student concerned.
11. Juniors planning to continue their schooling after finishing high school took the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Tests in October and results have been discussed with each student concerned.
12. Over 200 individual interviews have been held with Seniors concerning their future educational or career plans.
13. Similar conferences with Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors have been, or are being, held.
14. Educational and Career Information has been made increasingly available to students.

I hope that the activities described above will give you some idea of the work that is being done in Guidance.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN M. SHIELDS

Guidance Counselor

School Health

The objectives of a school health program are to perform the necessary functions to maintain and promote good health for all the pupils in our schools.

Each year the following services are performed: checking heights and weights, testing vision and hearing, physical examinations for students in grades 4, 8, 11 and those participating in athletic sports, T. B. skin tests as recommended by the T. B. Association which included all personnel in Supervisory Union 7 this year, immunizations as needed, pre-school clinics which include immunizations, physicals, T. B. and urine tests, home visits for follow-through health care as deemed necessary, promotion of good mental health with the assistance of Upper Connecticut Valley Mental Health Services, first aid and emergency care, health teaching and counseling, and continuous supervision of general health.

The Matching Fund Dental Program sponsored by state and local monies was utilized again this year with many students receiving dental care.

This year the P. T. O. sponsored a program on venereal disease to junior and senior high school students through the Department of Public Health.

North Country Education Services again provided speech therapy for all students in Supervisory Union 7 requiring help.

The American Cancer Society provided films for all junior and senior girls and their mothers for early detection and treatment of cancer.

Two hygienists from the Dental Bureau in Concord presented a very thorough and interesting program on the care of teeth to all elementary students in the area including St. Albert's School and Our Lady of Grace Elementary School.

There was a pre-school hearing and vision clinic in May sponsored by the N. H. Division of Public Health for early detection of defects.

Each year we strive to improve the health program. With everyone working together, it is hoped that we can achieve our goal in this endeavor.

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH CUMMINGS, R. N.

School Nurse

**ANNUAL REPORT FOR
VER-SHIRE SCHOOLS & SHOPS**

This program has indeed accomplished those specific goals set forth at its inception. The success achieved is evident in the every day life of our community.

The disadvantaged and handicapped who have taken part in this program, are not a segment of our community, but are an integral, interwoven contributing factor to our community, which can truly only be attributed to the involvement to the extent to which this community not only allows, but insists it be.

The basic needs and objectives are being met on a day-to-day basis. The direct correlation of this is the fact of the growth in the program, both in numbers served and fulfillment of a wider scope of needs.

To emphasize the need for this growth and accomplishment of it, the State Title III office has okayed some increased funding to help provide an "Innovative Income Producing Program" this year. However, these funds' availability hinge on passage of the controversial HEW Bill.

In spite of this, we are attempting to carry out this objective because it is a need dictated to us by those we serve.

During this past year, we have been evaluated by the State Office of Title III, Special Education, Vocational-Technical Education, and the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, all of which found us worthy of accreditation to serve in all these areas.

To this I say: "Is acceptance after the fact?" For it is this community that said: "It can be done", and made it possible.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE F. COULTER

Coordinator

Vershire Schools and Shops

PROCEEDINGS OF SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING - March 7, 1972

The school district meeting opened at 11:40 a. m. following the town meeting.

ARTICLES OF THE WARRANT:

1. Motion made to adopt Article 1. Seconded and adopted.
2. Motion made that the salaries remain the same as last year. Motion was seconded and voted in favor.
3. Mr. Stephen Dehl spoke on the school budget, etc. Miss Irene Goulet spoke on North Country Education Services. As director of the Early Childhood Program she told how the children benefited by the year of school with this program before entering the first grade. She stated that there were no children going from Columbia this year. She was asked how many were eligible to attend from Columbia next year and she replied that 12 were.
4. It was moved that \$1,320.00 be raised for the 12 eligible children for this Early Childhood Program. Motion was seconded and voted in favor.
5. The budget of \$113,586.00 was adopted and seconded.
6. Motion made to adopt Article 6. Seconded and adopted.
7. No other business being forthcoming, the motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting.

ANNIE FRIZZELL

School Clerk

Result of Elections:

Moderator	Kenneth Parkhurst
Clerk	Annie Frizzell
Treasurer	Annie Frizzell
School Board	Erwin Parkhurst
Auditors	Theresa Perry & Mary Lou Placey

Financial Report

1971 - 1972

RECEIPTS

REVENUE FROM LOCAL SOURCES:			
Current Appropriation	\$60,110.87		
Other Revenue from Local Sources	452.08	\$60,868.95	
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REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES:			
Foundation Aid	\$12,896.13		
Intellectually Retarded	989.89		
Sweepstakes	1,306.83		
Other Revenue from State Sources	8.00	15,200.85	
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Total Receipts		\$76,069.80	
Balance on Hand July 1, 1971		.40	
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GRAND TOTAL NET RECEIPTS		\$76,070.20	

EXPENDITURES

Administration	\$ 503.13		
Instruction	194.61		
Health Services	334.64		
Pupil Transportation	9,360.00		
Outgoing Transfer Account	61,721.32	\$72,113.70	
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Total Expenditures		\$72,113.70	
Balance June 30, 1972		3,956.50	
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GRAND TOTAL NET EXPENDITURES		\$76,070.20	

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the School District of Columbia for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1972 and find them correct in all respects.
June 30, 1972

THERESA PERRY
MARY LOU PLACEY
Auditors

Detailed Expenditures

1971 - 1972

ADMINISTRATION:

Salaries of District Officers

Frizzell, Annie	\$ 65.00	
Parkhurst, Erwin	80.00	
Parkhurst, Kenneth	5.00	
Perry, Harold	80.00	
Perry, Theresa	5.00	
Placey, Mary Lou	5.00	
Rainville, Stewart	80.00	\$ 320.00

Contracted Services

Rainville, Winnie	40.00	40.00
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Other Expenses for Administration

Cummings, Sarah	\$ 3.40	
Davis, Perley	13.43	
Dehl, Stephen	49.00	
Educational Policy Service	23.85	
M/S Printing and Advertising	16.70	
New Hampshire School Board Association	20.00	
North Country Education Services	6.75	
Stevens, Geo. M. Insurance Company	10.00	143.13

INSTRUCTION:

Teaching Supplies

Harcourt, Brace and Jovanovich	\$ 4.85	4.85
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Contracted Services for Instruction

Colebrook School District	\$ 83.70	
North Country Education Services	103.00	186.70

Other Expenses for Instruction

Cummings, Sarah	\$ 3.06	3.06
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HEALTH SERVICES:

Other Expenses for Health Services

Colebrook School District	\$ 2.64	
Parsons, Marjorie MD	32.00	
Treasurer, State of N. H.	300.00	334.64

PUPIL TRANSPORTATION:

Contracted Services

Nugent Motor Company	\$ 4,410.00	
Rainville, Stewart	4,950.00	9,360.00

OUTGOING TRANSFER ACCOUNTS:

Tuition - Instate

Colebrook School District	\$53,566.82	
Stratford School District	2,053.00	55,619.82

Supervisory Union Expenses

Supervisory Union #7	\$4,361.50	4,361.50
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Tuition to Private Schools

Vershire Schools and Shops	\$ 1,740.00	1,740.00
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES		\$72,113.70
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In accordance with the laws of 1961, Chapter 189, Section 48, breakdown of the total amount paid to the Superintendent and Business Administrator by the State and respective school districts follows:

Superintendent:	Salary	Travel	Total
State of New Hampshire	\$ 4,500.00	\$.00	\$ 4,500.00
Colebrook	4,685.47	545.88	5,231.35
Columbia	947.60	110.40	1,058.00
Clarksville	472.77	55.08	527.85
Pittsburg	2,407.11	280.44	2,687.55
Stewartstown	1,787.05	208.20	1,995.25
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	\$14,800.00	\$1,200.00	\$16,000.00

Business Administrator:			
State of New Hampshire	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00
Colebrook	3,639.20	454.90	4,094.10
Columbia	736.00	92.00	828.00
Clarksville	367.20	45.90	413.10
Pittsburg	1,869.60	233.70	2,103.30
Stewartstown	1,388.00	173.50	1,561.50
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	\$ 8,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$ 9,000.00

GENERAL STATISTICS

Transportation 1972 - 1973

Transporter	Rate/Day	No. Pupils	Miles/Day
Nugent Bus Service	24.50	57	43
Rainville, Stewart	27.50	40	54

Tuition Pupils and Rates 1972 - 1973

Colebrook Academy	27	800.00
Colebrook Elementary	67	675.00
North Stratford High	3	896.00
North Stratford Elementary	2	665.00
Canaan Memorial High	1	925.00
Vershire Schools and Shops	2	600.00

Budget

For 1973 - 1974

Compared with Expenditures of 1971 - 72 and Budget of 1972 - 73

	Amount Expended 1971 - 72	Budget 1972 - 73	Proposed Budget 1973 - 74
Administration			
Salary of District Officers	\$ 320.00	\$ 360.00	\$ 360.00
Contracted Services	40.00	40.00	40.00
Other Expenses	143.13	590.00	140.00
Instruction:			
Teaching Supplies	4.85		
Contracted Services	186.70	683.00	930.00
Other Expenses	3.06		
Health Services:			
Other Expenses	334.64	300.00	45.00
Pupil Transportation:			
Contracted Services	9,360.00	9,360.00	9,465.00
Outgoing Transfer Accounts:			
Tuition In-State	55,619.82	97,673.00	91,357.00
Supervisory Union Expenses	4,361.50	5,900.00	5,970.00
Tuition - Private Schools	1,740.00		1,410.00
	<u>\$72,113.70</u>	<u>\$114,906.00</u>	<u>\$109,717.00</u>

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

1973 - 1974

Balance on Hand July 1, 1973	\$10,000 00
Sweepstakes	1,300.00
Total Estimated Receipts	<u>\$ 11,300.00</u>
Total BUDGET	109,717.00
REQUESTED APPROPRIATION	<u>\$ 98,417.00</u>

Vital Statistics for the Town of Columbia, N. H.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1972

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Father	Name of Mother
February 13	Colebrook, N. H.	Mary Jane Goudreau	Peter Goudreau	Evelyn B. Ferns
April 21	Colebrook, N. H.	Hope Lynn Goodrum	Bernard Goodrum	Ethel A. Mills
May 7	Colebrook, N. H.	Jonathan Paul Fogg	Norman Fogg	Nancy Chapple
July 12	Colebrook, N. H.	Shane Everett Bacon	William Bacon	Laurie Little
July 15	Colebrook, N. H.	Wyatt Matthew Marsh	Walter B. Marsh	Doris Fletcher

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1972

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name & Surname of Groom & Bride	Age	Place of Residence	Name of Parents
Jan. 23	No. Stratford, N. H.	Dean O. Sweatt	21	Columbia, N. H.	Sylvan Sweatt Evangeline Hamel
		Rosalie A. Reardon	21	Columbia, N. H.	Joseph Reardon Florence Whiting
Feb. 25	Colebrook, N. H.	Kenneth H. Stanley, Jr.	21	Columbia, N. H.	Kenneth Stanley Marion Bennett
		Margo L. Grady	26	Errol, N. H.	George Harvey Hazel West
March 18	Colebrook, N. H.	Randall E. Gray	22	Columbia, N. H.	Miles W. Gray Ruth Layton
		Martha A. Brooks	18	Clarksville, N. H.	Lester Brooks Theresa Cote
June 24	Colebrook, N. H.	Keith W. Beauchemin	25	Columbia, N. H.	Edward Beauchemin Helen Forrest
		Sheila M. Porter	23	Columbia, N. H.	Alton Porter Mary Hearn
July 8	Colebrook, N. H.	Ronald L. Cross	25	Columbia, N. H.	Lyman Cross Opal Ellingwood
		Carol S. Beauchemin	22	Columbia, N. H.	Naomi Kenney
Aug. 12	No. Stratford, N. H.	David R. Zenke	19	Bloomfield, Vt.	Emil R. Zenke Nancy Bulkley
		Vicki A. Ball	17	Columbia, N. H.	William Ball Julia Jordan

Aug. 12	Colebrook, N. H.	Thomas L. Cross	22	Colebrook, N. H.	Stephen Cross Lucinda Cross
		Diane R. Dagesse	20	Columbia, N. H.	George Dagesse Marie L. Dagesse
Sept. 2	No. Stratford, N. H.	Richard R. Shallow	23	Columbia, N. H.	Clyde L. Shallow Catherine Riley
		Aline T. Marier	20	Stratford, N. H.	Roger Marier Beatrice Bissonette
Sept. 6	Columbia, N. H.	Leonard R. Linscott	47	Columbia, N. H.	Leland Linscott Cara Fulnam
		Patricia A. Rodrigue	38	Columbia, N. H.	Ernest Young Violet Leadoris
Sept. 16	Colebrook, N. H.	Alan W. Little	22	Colebrook, N. H.	Wilbur Little Hilda Humbert
		Diana M. DeBlots	19	Columbia, N. H.	Paul DeBlots Fernande Bergeron
Dec. 2	No. Stratford, N. H.	Frederick Osgood, Jr.	22	Columbia, N. H.	Frederick Osgood Florence Washburn
		Cathy L. Riley	19	Columbia, N. H.	Marshal Riley Patricia Patenaude

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF COLUMBIA, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1972

Date	Name	Age	Place of Death	Father's Name	Mother's Name
Jan. 11	Jesse W. Grover	84	Columbia, N. H.	Ephriam Grover	Susan Terrill
Feb. 22	Elery Adair	76	Colebrook, N. H.	William Adair	Myra Smith
April 1	Merit F. Blodgett	79	Colebrook, N. H.	Fred Blodgett	Julia Barnett
April 25	Lynn Smith	54	Colebrook, N. H.	Arthur Smith	Rosina Grapes
June 4	Christopher Bennett	55 min.	Colebrook, N. H.	Floyd Bennett	Maureen Monahan
July 2	Joseph Pare	83	Colebrook, N. H.	Omer Pare	Emma Turgeon
July 14	Howard J. Clark	74	Colebrook, N. H.	David Clark	Jennie Plunkett
Sept. 22	Virginia B. Murphy	53	Chelsea, Mass	Harry Bushong Sr.	Ida Perry
Nov. 7	William O. Reynolds	78	Colebrook, N. H.	James Reynolds	Eliza Gault

