

1955

Annual Reports

of the

SELECTMEN

and other

TOWN AND SCHOOL OFFICERS

of the Town of

LANGDON

New Hampshire



For the year ending

December 31, 1955

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TOWN OF LANGDON OFFICERS FOR 1955-1956

- TOWN CLERK Sydney H. Batchelder
- SELECTMEN Arthur G. Marx
Arthur J. Gude
George A. Holmes
- TREASURER Walter H. Smith, Jr.
- TAX COLLECTOR Kenneth M. Merrell
- ROAD AGENT Ernest F. Batchelder, Sr.
- SEXTON Sumner Hurd
- LIBRARY TRUSTEES Marion Holmes
Harriet Whitton
Alice Porter
- TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS Harold Lamb
Walter Bornschein
Lydia Hatch
- AUDITOR George L. Porter
- FENCE VIEWERS Emery Hall
Fred Griggs
Walter H. Smith, Jr.
- SURVEYOR OF WOOD BARK & LUMBER Vacant
(Sydney Harris—elected
but refused the office)
- CONSTABLE Fred D. Hatch
- FIRE CHIEF George L. Porter

TOWN MEETING WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the Town of Langdon, in the County of Sullivan and State of New Hampshire:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Langdon on Tuesday, the 13th day of March next at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following articles.

Art. 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

Art. 2. To see if the Town will appropriate and authorize the selectmen to use the income, estimated to be \$3,065.00 from

- a. Interest and Dividends Tax
- b. Savings Bank Tax
- c. For Fighting Forest Fires
- d. Dog Licenses
- e. Rent of Town Hall
- f. Interest
- g. Motor Vehicle Permits
- h. Other Miscellaneous Sources

To defray Town Charges, estimated to be \$3,420.00. Town Charges to include, but not being limited to:

- a. Town Officers' Salaries
- b. Town Officers' Expenses
- c. Election and Registration Expenses
- d. Expenses of Town Hall
- e. Printing Town Reports
- f. Police
- g. Fire Department
- h. Insurance
- i. Vital Statistics
- j. Town Poor
- k. Old Age Assistance
- l. Cemeteries
- m. Interest

Art. 3. To see what sum of money in addition to the sum appropriated under article 2. of this Warrant, the Town will raise and appropriate to defray Town Charges.

Art. 4. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate, to be used together with and in addition to the Class V Maintenance Allotment, Duncan Money so-called, for the summer maintenance of highways and bridges.

Art. 5. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the winter maintenance of highways and bridges.

Art. 6. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the hard surfacing of some of the roads or highways.

Art. 7. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the maintenance of T. R. A. constructed highways only.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$354.81 and apply for Class V Assistance, T. R. A. so-called.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the support of the Fire Department, and for the purchase of fire fighting equipment, and authorize the Selectmen to pay over said sum to the Fire Department.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 to be matched by the State to be used for opening up back roads and trails.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to pay the balance of the note incurred for the purchase of the Fire Truck.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for the observance of Memorial Day.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the Town Library.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for the privilege of the use for one year of the Alstead Public Dump.

Art. 15. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for the control of White Pine Blister Rust.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate, together with the unexpended balance of the 1954 appropriation in the hands of the Trustees of the Trust Funds, for the repair and painting of the South Cemetery Fence.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to accept all Trust Funds of \$100.00 or more each, received for the perpetual care of Cemetery lots.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell property acquired by Tax Collector's Deed.

Art. 20. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Art. 21. To allow accounts.

ARTHUR G. MARX }
 ARTHUR J. GUDE } Selectmen of Langdon
 GEORGE A. HOLMES }

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS & EXPENDITURES
For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1955

	Amount Raised & Appropri.	Receipts & Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Unexpended	Overdraft
Town Charges	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 4,245.64	\$ 5,245.64	\$ 4,414.58	\$ 831.06	\$
Town Roads			4,529.42	4,378.78	150.64	
Summer	3,350.00	1,179.42	2,100.00	2,540.01		440.01
Winter	2,100.00		353.93	353.93		
T.R.A.	353.93		345.00	345.00		
Sander	345.00		250.00	250.00		
Fire Department	250.00		500.00	500.00		
Fire Truck Note	500.00		50.00	50.00		
Memorial Day	50.00		200.00	196.00	4.00	
Library	200.00		50.00	50.00		
Dump	50.00		201.20	200.00	1.20	
Blister Rust	200.00	1.20	100.00		100.00	
Cemetery Fence	100.00		\$12,533.39		\$12,533.39	
School District 1955-1956	12,533.39					
School District 1954-1955	\$21,032.32	\$5,426.26	\$26,458.58	\$13,278.30	\$13,620.29	\$440.01
County Tax				\$10,790.63		
				2,025.95		
Total Net Expenditures				\$26,094.88		
Taxes Bought by Town				\$1,751.65		
Payment of Anticipation Notes				5,000.00		
Head Taxes Paid to State				755.95		
				\$33,602.48		

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF LANGDON, N. H.

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956. Compared with Estimated
and Actual Revenue Appropriations and Expenditures of the Pre-
vious Year January 1, 1955 to December 31, 1955.

SOURCES OF REVENUE

	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1955	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1955	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1956
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$1,250.00	\$1,083.47	\$ 750.00
Railroad Tax			
Savings Bank Tax	70.00	87.27	85.00
Building and Loan Association Tax			
Reimbursement a/c State and Federal forest lands			
Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber	400.00	—————	—————
For Fighting Forest Fires	25.00	30.88	30.00
Duncan Money	1,000.00	1,179.42	1,070.55
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance			
Bounties	73.75	101.25	—————
From Local Sources Except Taxes:			
Dog Licenses	250.00	229.50	225.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	—————	5.00	—————
Fines and Forfeits, Municipal Court			
Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings	100.00	81.00	25.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	150.00	274.58	250.00
Income from Trust Funds			
Income of Departments:			
(a) Highway, including rental of equipment			
(b) Sewers			
Recovery on O.A.A.	—————	22.50	—————

Refund of Overpayment on Prentiss Bridge	_____	233.71	_____
Recovery from Town Poor	_____	54.00	_____
Income from Municipally owned Utilities:			
(a) Water Departments			
(b) Electric Light Departments			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,400.00	1,742.48	1,700.00
Sale of Town Property			
Withdrawals from Capital Reserve Funds			
Comm. Club Contribution	_____	300.00	_____
Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes:			
(State Purpose of each Issue)			
†Cash Surplus			
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:			
(a) Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2	340.00	240.00	240.00
(b) National Bank Stock Taxes			
Total Revenue from all Sources Except Property Taxes	<u>\$5,058.75</u>	<u>\$5,665.06</u>	<u>\$4,375.55</u>
*Amt. to be Raised by Prop. Taxes			\$27,748.45
Total Revenues			<u>\$32,124.00</u>

PURPOSE OF EXPENDITURES

	Appropriations Previous Year 1955	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1955	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1956
<i>Current Maintenance Expenses:</i>			
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 800.00	\$ 745.75	\$ 800.00
Town Officers' Expenses	200.00	166.00	200.00
Election and Registration Expenses	100.00	39.79	150.00
Town Reports	265.00	315.00	315.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	1,200.00	1,346.39	300.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	25.00	12.00	25.00
Fire Department	390.50	425.44	350.00
Moth Exterm.—Blister Rust & Care of Trees	200.00	200.00	400.00
Insurance	337.26	249.84	250.00
Civil Defense			
Health:			
Health Department, Including Hospitals			
Vital Statistics	15.00	7.00	15.00
Sewer Maintenance			
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	50.00	50.00	50.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Maintenance—Summer	4,529.42	4,378.78	4,500.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	2,100.00	2,540.01	3,000.00
Street Lighting			
General Expenses of Highway Department			
Town Road Aid	353.93	353.93	354.81
Libraries	200.00	196.00	200.00
Public Welfare:			
Aid to Disabled	300.00	122.51	_____
Town Poor	1,100.00	260.00	250.00
Old Age Assistance	800.00	632.23	750.00
Patriotic Purposes:			
Memorial Day and			
Veterans' Associations	50.00	50.00	50.00
Aid to Soldiers Their Families			

Recreation:			
Parks and Playground, Incl.			
Band Concerts			
Public Service Enterprises:			
Municipally Owned Water and Electric Utilities			
Cemeteries	200.00	123.25	150.00
Airports			
Unclassified:			
Damages and Legal Expenses, Incl. Dog Damage			
Advertising and Regional Associations			
Employees' Retirement and Social Security			
Interest:			
On Temporary Loans	150.00	83.33	100.00
On Long Term Notes and Bonds	30.00	30.00	15.00
On Principal of Trust Funds Used by Town			
<i>Outlay for New Construction and Perm. Improv.</i>			
Highways and Bridges:			
Town Construction			
State Aid Construction— Town's Share			
Water Works Construction			
Sidewalk Construction			
Sewer Construction			
New Lands and Buildings			
New Equipment	335.00	451.05	—————
<i>Indebtedness:</i>			
Payment on Principal of Debt:			
(a) Bonds			
(b) Long Term Notes	500.00	500.00	500.00
(c) Payment to Capital Reserve Funds			
(d) Deficit of Previous Year			
<i>Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:</i>			
County Taxes	—————	2,025.95	2,200.00
School Taxes	16,500.00	10,790.63	17,200.00
 Total Expenditures	 \$30,731.11	 \$26,094.88	 \$32,124.00

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF LANGDON
For the Fiscal Year Ended Decmeber 31, 1955
 IN SULLIVAN COUNTY

CERTIFICATE

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

February 10, 1956

ARTHUR G. MARX }
 ARTHUR J. GUDE } Selectmen of Langdon
 GEORGE A. HOLMES }
 WALTER H. SMITH, Treasurer

Assets

Cash in hands of treasurer	\$ 6,606.28
Capital Reserve Fund	
Trustees of Trust Funds—bal. of '54	
approp. re: South Cemetery Fence	43.00
Unredeemed Taxes:	
(from tax sale on account of)	
Levy of 1955	_____
Levy of 1954	1,325.98
Levy of 1953	550.88
Previous Years	253.73
Uncollected Taxes:	
Levy of 1955	7,349.58
Levy of 1954	_____
Levy of 1953	_____
Previous Years	_____
State Head Taxes—Levy of 1955	1,065.00
State Head Taxes—Previous Years	_____
Total Assets	\$17,194.45
Excess of liabilities over assets	_____
(Net Debt)	_____
Grand Total	\$17,194.45
Net—Surplus, December 31, 1954	\$1,271.48
Net—Surplus, December 31, 1955	\$3,096.06
Increase of Surplus	\$1,781.58

Liabilities

Accounts Owed by the Town:	
Due to State:	
State Head Taxes—1955	_____
Uncollected \$1,065.00—Collected— not remitted to State Treas.	\$ 1,065.00

Due to County	_____
Due to Precincts	_____
Due to School Districts:	
Balance of Appropriation	12,533.39
Long Term Notes Outstanding	
Fire Truck	500.00
Bonds Outstanding:	
(List each issue separately stating purpose of each)	_____
Trust Funds, Amounts of Principal Used by Town:	_____
Total Liabilities	\$14,098.39
Excess of assets over liabilities (Surplus)	\$ 3,096.06
Grand Total	\$17,194.45

Receipts

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

(Collected and remitted to Treasurer)

1. Property Taxes Current Year 1955	\$15,744.34	
2. Poll Taxes Current Year		
Regular @ \$2 1955	240.00	
3. National Bank Stock Taxes 1955		
4. Yield Taxes 1955		
5. State Head Taxes @ \$5 1955	760.00	
6. Total Current Year's Taxes		
Collected and remitted		\$16,744.34
7. Property Taxes and Yield Taxes—Previous Years		7,986.73
8. Poll Taxes—Previous Years Reg. @ \$2		96.00
9. State Head Taxes @ \$5— Previous Years		290.00
10. Interest received on Taxes		274.58
11. Penalties on State Head Taxes		31.50
12. Tax sales redeemed		1,570.38

From State:

13. For Highways and Bridges:		
(a) For Town Road Aid		
(b) For Class V Highway maintenance		1,179.42
(c) For State Aid Construction—		
Rebate from over payment		233.71
14. Interest and dividend tax		1,083.47
15. Railroad Tax		
16. Savings Bank Tax and Building and Loan Association Tax		87.27

17. Reimbursement a/c State and ond Federal Forest Lands		
18. Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Growing Wood and Timber Growing Wood and Timber		
19. National forest reserve		
20. Fighting forest fires		30.88
21. Bounties		101.25
22. Recovery a/c Old Age Assisitance		22.50
From County:		
23. For support of poor and aid furnished soldiers		
From Local Sources, Except Taxes:		
24. Dog Licenses		229.50
25. Business licenses, permits and filing fees		5.00
26. Fines and forfeits, municipal court		
27. Rent of town property		81.00
28. Interest received on deposits		
29. Income from trust funds		
30. Income from departments		
31. Income from parking meters		
32. Income from municipal water and electric departments		
33. Registration of motor vehicles, 1954 Permits		1,742.48
Registration of motor vehicles, 1955 Permits		
Total Current Revenue Receipts		\$31,790.01
Receipts Other than Current Revenue:		
34. Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	\$5000.00	
35. Long term notes during year		
36. Bond issues during year		
37. Insurance adjustments		
38. Refunds	1.20	
39. Gifts	300.00	
40. New Trust Funds received during year		
41. Withdrawals from Capital Reserve Funds		
42. Sale of town property		
43. Grants from U.S.A.		
44. Refund of Town Poor Grant	54.00	
Total Receipts Other than Current Revenue		5,355.20
Total Receipts from All Sources		\$37,145.21
Cash on hand January 1, 1955		\$ 3,063.55
Grand Total		\$40,208.76

Payments

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

1. Town Officer's Salaries	\$ 745.75
2. Town Officer's Expenses	166.00
3. Election and Registration Expenses	39.79
4. Town Report	315.00
5. Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	1,346.39

Protection of Persons and Property:

6. Police Department	12.00
7. Parking Meters—Operation and Maintenance	
8. Fire Department, including forest fires	425.44
9. Moth Extermination—Blister Rust and Care of Trees	200.00
10. Bounties	
11. Damage by Dogs	
12. Insurance	249.84
13. Civil Defense	

Health:

14. Health Department, including Hospitals	
15. Vital Statistics	7.00
16. Sewer Maintenance	
17. Town Dumps and Garbage Removal	50.00

Highways and Bridges:

18. Town Road Aid	353.93
19. Town Maintenance—Summer \$4,378.78 Winter—\$2,540.01	6,918.79
20. Street Lighting	
21. General Expenses of Highway Department	

Libraries:

22. Libraries	196.00
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Public Welfare :

23. Old Age Assistance	632.23
24. Town Poor	260.00
25. Aid to Disabled	122.51

Patriotic Purposes:

26. Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations	50.00
27. Aid to Soldiers and their families	

Recreation:

28. Parks and Playgrounds, including Band Concerts	
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Public Service Enterprises:

29. Municipal Water and Electric Departments	
30. Cemeteries, including Hearse Hire	123.25
31. Airports	

Unclassified:

32. Damages and Legal Expenses	
33. Advertising and Regional Associations	
34. Taxes Bought by Town	\$ 1,751.65
35. Discounts, Abatements and Refunds	
36. Refund to State a/c Yield Taxes	
37. Employees' Retirement and Social Security	

Total Current Maintenance Expenses	\$13,965.57
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Interest:

38. Paid on Temporary Loans in anticipation of Taxes	83.33
39. Paid on Long Term Notes	30.00
40. Paid on Bonded Debt	
41. Paid on Principal of Trust Funds used by Town	

Total Interest Payments	\$ 113.33
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Outlay for New Construction, Equipment
and Permanent Improvements:

42. Highways and Bridges—State Aid Construction	
43. Highways and Bridges— Town Construction	
44. Water Works Construction	
45. Electric Line Construction	
46. Sidewalk Construction	..
47. Sewer Construction	
48. Land and Buildings (Airports—\$.....) (Other—\$.....)	
49. New Equipment—Highway \$345.00 Other—\$106.05	451.05
50. Parking Meters (Cost including installation)	

Total Outlay Payments	\$ 451.05
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Indebtedness:

51. Payments on Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Taxes	5000.00
52. Payments on Long Term Notes	500.00
53. Payments on Bonded Debt	
54. Payments to Capital Reserve Funds	

55. Payments to Trustees of Trust Funds (New Funds)	
Total Indebtedness Payments	\$ 5,500.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:	
56. State Head Taxes paid to State Treas. 1955 Taxes—\$415.00 Prior Years —\$340.95	755.95
57. Taxes paid to County	2,025.95
58. Payments to Precincts	
59. Payments to School Districts 1954 Tax —\$10,790.63 1955 Tax—\$	10,790.63
Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions	\$13,572.53
Total Payments for all Purposes	\$33,602.48
Cash on hand December 31, 1955	\$ 6,606.28
Grand Total	\$40,208.76

Schedule of Town Property

Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 4,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	
Furniture and Equipment	250.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	
Equipment	3,250.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	150.00
Equipment	1,345.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	8,000.00
Equipment	2,000.00
All Lands and Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds	
305 Acres Blake Land	1,220.00
350 Acres Halladay Land	1,400.00
160 Acres Dodge Mining Right	13.03
Total	\$22,128.03

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS**Town Officers' Salaries**

Arthur J. Gude, Selectman 1954	\$ 100.00
Arthur G. Marx, Selectman 1954	100.00
George A. Holmes, Selectman 1954	150.00
Sydney H. Batchelder, Town Clerk salary and fees	197.00
Walter H. Smith, Sr., Treasurer	50.00
George L. Porter, Auditor	10.00
Kenneth M. Merrell, Tax Collector salary and fees	138.75
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	\$ 745.75

Town Officers' Expenses

Association of N. H. Assessors—1955 dues	\$ 3.00
Wheeler & Clark—town clerk supplies	15.16
N. H. Tax Collectors Assoc.—1955 dues	3.00
Wheeler & Clark—Selectmens' stamp	2.17
Edson C. Eastman—printed forms	17.65
Leon M. Trow—premium for bonds	42.00
Zella A. Eastman—list of transfers & mtges.	5.69
Sargent Bros.—tax bills	12.30
Charles R. Hardy—Town Clerk Assoc. 1955 dues	2.00
Sydney H. Batchelder—postage etc.	2.00
Brown & Saltmarsh—payroll pad	1.73
Arthur J. Gude—Tax Comm. meeting	5.00
George A. Holmes—Tax Comm. meeting and bounties	36.50
Arthur G. Marx—Tax Comm. meeting and postage	7.85
Kenneth M. Merrell—postage	9.95
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	\$ 166.00

Election and Registration

Vt. Newspaper Corp.—printing notices	\$ 4.56
Wm. Miller Co.—printing ballots	8.23
Agnes M. Bryant—supv. of checklist	9.00
Royal Holmes—supv. of checklist	9.00
Henry J. Ormsby—supv. of checklist	9.00
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	\$ 39.79

Printing Town Report

Model Press	\$ 315.00
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Town Hall and Other Town Buildings

Mary Huntley—janitor service	\$15.00
Lester M. Allen—labor painting	101.10
Lester M. Allen—labor painting	53.78
Lester M. Allen—labor painting	92.75
S. R. Young—gas	39.00
Noyes & Whitehill—janitor supplies	4.73
Granite State Electric	12.00
Lester M. Allen—labor painting	102.38
Lester M. Allen—labor painting	100.63
Lester M. Allen—labor painting	77.00
Lester M. Allen—labor painting	70.00
Lester M. Allen—labor painting	122.50
Lester M. Allen—labor painting	216.13
George L. Porter—fence lumber	15.23
S. R. Young Inc.—gas	5.43
Tenney's Lumber Mill—supplies	34.59
Marx's Hardware—paint and supplies	241.78
Lester M. Allen—labor painting, final	26.33
S. R. Young Inc.—gas	10.03
Granite State Electric	6.00

\$ 1,346.39

Police

Fred D. Hatch	\$ 12.00
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Fire including Forest Fire

George L. Porter—Windham fire and care of hose	\$ 25.00
George L. Porter—forest fires	69.86
George L. Porter—fire school	34.50
Chester Mason—fire dept. appropriation	250.00
New England Tel. & Tel.	23.08
New England Tel. & Tel.	13.00
George L. Porter—forest fire	10.00

\$ 425.44

Moth Extermination and Blister Rust

William H. Messick, Jr.	\$ 200.00
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Insurance

Leon M. Trow—premium fire ins. town buildings	\$ 135.84
Mass. Bonding & Ins. Co.—fire dept. accident	114.00

\$ 249.84

Vital Statistics

Sydney H. Batchelder	\$ 7.00
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Summer Highway Maintenance

Ernest F. Batchelder	\$ 2,514.96
Ernest F. Batchelder	535.02
Ernest F. Batchelder	175.40
Ernest F. Batchelder	187.50
Ernest F. Batchelder	216.76
Ernest F. Batchelder	424.14
Ernest F. Batchelder	263.00
Ernest F. Batchelder	62.00
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	\$ 4,378.78

Winter Highway Maintenance

Ernest F. Batchelder	\$ 390.40
Ernest F. Batchelder	429.60
Ernest F. Batchelder	421.80
Ernest F. Batchelder	394.65
Ernest F. Batchelder	84.50
Ernest F. Batchelder	210.18
Ernest F. Batchelder	249.93
Ernest F. Batchelder	114.15
International Salt Co.	244.80
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	\$ 2,540.01

Town Road Aid

Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	\$ 353.93
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Libraries

Marion Holmes	\$ 80.00
Agnes M. Bryant	56.00
Lydia B. Hatch	60.00
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	\$ 196.00

Old Age Assistance

State of New Hampshire—Nov. & Dec.	\$ 76.94
State of New Hampshire—Jan.	35.88
State of New Hampshire—Feb. & Mar.	152.76
State of New Hampshire Apr., May & June	111.89
State of New Hampshire—July	51.38
State of New Hampshire—Aug. & Sept.	103.00
State of New Hampshire—Oct. & Nov.	100.38
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	\$ 632.23

Aid to Disabled	
State of New Hampshire—Nov. & Dec.	\$ 47.96
State of New Hampshire—Jan.	25.55
State of New Hampshire—Apr. & May	49.00
	<hr/> \$ 122.51
Memorial Day	
Britton-Porter Post #57	\$ 50.00
Cemeteries	
Sumner K. Hurd	\$ 37.75
Marx's Hardware	1.50
Sumner K. Hurd	30.00
Sumner K. Hurd	54.00
	<hr/> \$123.25
Taxes Bought by Town	
Kenneth M. Merrell	\$ 1,751.65
Interest	
Savings Bank of Walpole	\$ 113.33
New Equipment	
E. F. Batchelder—freight on sander	\$ 5.93
Blanchard Associates—gas hose for fire pump	6.13
Justin A. McCarthy Co. —3 fire extinguishers	99.92
Casellini-Venable Corp.—sander	339.07
	<hr/> \$ 451.05
Temporary Loans	
Savings Bank of Walpole	\$ 5,000.00
Notes	
Savings Bank of Walpole—fire truck	\$ 500.00
State and County	
State of New Hampshire—1954 head taxes	\$ 140.50
State of New Hampshire—1954 head taxes	180.45
State of New Hampshire—1954 head taxes	20.00
State of New Hampshire—1955 head taxes	54.00
Merton J. Sargent—County Tax	2,025.95
State of New Hampshire—1955 head taxes	261.00
State of New Hampshire—1955 head taxes	100.00
	<hr/> \$ 2,781.90
School District	
Eva F. Smith	\$ 1,000.00
Eva F. Smith	\$ 1,000.00
Eva F. Smith	790.63
Eva F. Smith	3,000.00
Eva F. Smith	5,000.00
	<hr/> \$10,790.63

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR — LEVY OF 1955

Original Warrant	\$23,355.92
Added Taxes	
Property	24.00
2 Polls	4.00
Interest	2.48
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	\$23,386.40
Payments to Treasurer	
Property	\$15,744.34
120 Polls	240.00
Abatements	
Property	48.00
1 Poll	2.00
Unpaid Taxes	
Property	7,249.58
50 Polls	100.00
Interest	2.48
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	\$23,386.40

STATE HEAD TAXES 1955

Original Warrant	\$ 1,055.00
Added Taxes	10.00
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	\$ 1,065.00
152 Taxes Collected	\$ 760.00
2 Abated	10.00
59 Uncollected	295.00
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	\$ 1,065.00

LEVY OF 1954—Collected After January 1, 1955

Original Warrant	\$26,331.75
Added Taxes	30.57
Interest	117.60
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	\$26,479.92
Taxes Paid to December 31, 1954	\$18,095.50
Property paid in 1955	7,854.77
Polls paid in 1955	96.00
Abatements	
4 Polls	8.00
Property	48.05
3 Polls Unpaid December 31, 1955	6.00
Interest	117.60
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	\$26,479.92

REPORT OF TAX SALES

	1954	1953	1952	1951	1950	1949
Taxes sold during current year	\$1,751.65					
Balance of unredeemer January 1, 1955		\$1,115.48	\$842.32	\$60.36	\$50.46	\$12.66
Interest Collected	3.22	38.58	113.52			
	<u>\$1,754.87</u>	<u>\$1,154.06</u>	<u>\$955.84</u>	<u>\$60.36</u>	<u>\$50.46</u>	<u>\$12.66</u>
Remittances to Treasurer during 1955	\$ 425.67	\$ 564.60	\$712.07			
Interest Collected	3.22	38.58	113.52			
Unredeemed Taxes at Close of year December 31, 1955	<u>\$1,325.98</u>	<u>\$ 550.88</u>	<u>\$130.25</u>	<u>\$60.36</u>	<u>\$50.46</u>	<u>\$12.66</u>
	<u>\$1,754.87</u>	<u>\$1,154.06</u>	<u>\$955.84</u>	<u>\$60.36</u>	<u>\$50.46</u>	<u>\$12.66</u>

TOWN TREASURER' REPORT

Fiscal Year 1955

January 1, 1955 From Previous Year Cash balance	\$ 3,063.55
Received From	
G. A. Holmes, Sel. Town Hall Rent	81.00
State Treasurer of N. H. Forest Fire Account	30.88
State Treasurer of N. H. Bounties on Porcupines	101.25
State Treasurer of N. H. Balance White Pine Blister Rust Acct.	1.20
State Treasurer of N. H. Recovery of Old Age Assistance	22.50
State Treasurer of N. H. State Aid Bridge Construction	233.71
State Treasurer of N. H. Maintenance Class V Highways	1,179.42
State Treasurer of N. H. Interest and Dividends Tax	1,083.47
State Treasurer of N. H. Savings Bank Tax	87.27
Cold River Sand & Gravel Co. Check No. 2398 Returned	1.25
Summer Hurd Reimbursement on Account	54.00
Langdon Community Club Contribution toward painting Town Hall	300.00
Savings Bank of Walpole Money Borrowed in Anticipation of Taxes	5,000.00
S. H. Batchelder, Town Clerk—Auto Permits	1,742.48
S. H. Batchelder, Town Clerk—Dog Licenses	229.50
S. H. Batchelder, Town Clerk—Filing Fees	5.00
K. M. Merrill, Tax Collector—Redeemed from Tax Sales—Year 1952	712.07
K. M. Merrill, Tax Collector—Redeemed from Tax Sales—Year 1953	564.60
K. M. Merrill, Tax Collector—Property Taxes Year 1954	8,280.44
K. M. Merrill, Tax Collector—Interest on Taxes Year 1952	113.52
K. M. Merrill, Tax Collector—Interest on Taxes Year 1953	38.63
K. M. Merrill, Tax Collector—Interest on Taxes Year 1954	119.95
K. M. Merrill, Tax Collector—Poll Taxes Year 1954	96.00
K. M. Merrill, Tax Collector—Head Taxes Year 1954	290.00
K. M. Merrill, Tax Collector—Head Tax Penalties Year 1954	29.00
K. M. Merrill, Tax Collector—Property Taxes Year 1955	15,744.34
K. M. Merrill, Tax Collector—Interest on Property Taxes 1955	2.48
K. M. Merrill, Tax Collector—Head Taxes Year 1955	760.00
K. M. Merrill, Tax Collector—Head Tax Penalties Year 1955	2.50
K. M. Merrill, Tax Collector—Poll Taxes Year 1955	240.00
Total Receipts	\$40,210.01
Paid on Selectmen's Orders	\$33,594.73
Cash Balance in Hand of Treasurer, December 31, 1955	6,615.28
Town Order No. 791—Outstanding	9.00
To Correspond with Selectmen's Balance	\$ 6,606.28

Respectfully Submitted,
WALTER H. SMITH, Treasurer

TIMBER TAX DEPOSITS, "SPECIAL ACCOUNT"

Received May 27	\$200.00
Received June 23	100.00
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Total	\$300.00

WALTER H. SMITH, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR

This is to certify that the accounts and records of all officials of the Town of Langdon 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 the entries in the book of records. Receipts were checked by source in so far as possible and totals of receipts and expenditures verified. All records are correct to the best of my knowledge.

GEORGE L. PORTER

Auditor Town of Langdon

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The year has been a little rough for losses. The fire at the Beaudry place resulted in the total destruction of the buildings. The alarm was long delayed and the connected buildings were all in flames before the first equipment arrived. Alstead got the first call from someone in Charlestown who saw the light in the sky. The two Departments, Alstead and Langdon, worked together with combined equipment.

The fire at the Bugby place was less disastrous, although the loss in power tools was heavy. This was brought under control by the Alstead tank truck operating on Mutual Aid. This piece of equipment is a great help to the whole community. The Langdon voters have seen fit to provide their town with fire fighting equipment that is sensible and reasonable; so that we rate an equal status on Mutual Aid with the larger towns. This means a lot in added protection. Here again at the Bugby fire the two departments worked together efficiently. The tanker was sent home reloaded.

The new equipment this year is 150 feet of 2½ inch hose. 1 piece of 1½ inch old hose was rendered useless. Repairs were made to the jeep truck, new points, spark plugs, and auxiliary light wires. New private property made available to the Department and the Forest Fire Service is a 500 watt flood light to be used with a generator which is also available.

This equipment was used at the Beaudry fire.

Drills were held as follows:

Place	Attendance
Town Hall	8
Arthur Marx	7
Charlie Lamb	10
Holmes	9
Tuthill	5
G. L. Porter	6
Bates	7
Mason	9
Choate	5
White Iron Bridge	6

The Langdon Fire Department is not too far from being adequate enough to rate a 33-1/3% reduction in fire insurance premiums for buildings within two miles of the Fire Station. Necessary qualifications we lack are: a minimum of 25 men, a fire house and a 500 gal. pumper. This last might be waived in view of the protection afforded by Mutual Aid.

GEORGE L. PORTER

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

The Forest Fire Wardens had a little more of a workout this year although no fire of serious proportions developed. A fire on the back road from Drewsville to Alstead and another at Kosson's on the main highway from Drewsville to Alstead caused the calling out of all the equipment and a large number of men. Both fires were quickly extinguished. The townspeople responded quickly, leaving their private business in the middle of the day. No such general alarm will be sounded if there is any way of determining what type of fire we have to contend with. But prompt response to the first call is good insurance; because the fires that get away are the expensive ones; and they can run into many thousands of dollars.

The training session for the wardens and deputies of the northern section of Cheshire County was held in Langdon this year on June 27th. Forty-five wardens were present. Water was relayed from Great Brook to Mrs. Mary Porter's upper field. The setting up of this completely operating line took 55 minutes from the time the first man arrived.

Royal Holmes, G. B. Porter, and G. L. Porter went to a State School for Special Deputies where the same problem was worked out on the State Reservation at Bear Brook. There were 85 men present at this training session from all over the State. This school is paid for out of State funds, with no expense to the town.

No special appropriation is needed at this time for the Forest Fire Section and no special equipment is needed.

There is a new law providing that the State will match up to \$25.00 appropriated by the Town for improving back roads and trails. In years past the Boy Scouts and the 4-H Clubs did some of this work for free. However, the type of work contemplated here would be more ambitious; and over a period of years, providing access jeep and truck roads.

GEORGE L. PORTER

REPORT OF THE LANGDON FIRE DEPARTMENT—1955

Income,

Balance	\$ 62.15	
Ins. from members	10.00	
Rental & repair of equipment	17.29	
Alstead—fire	25.00	
Appropriation	\$250.00	\$364.44
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Expense,

Alstead Garage—plugs, points, repairs	\$ 10.65	
Arthur Gude—gas	12.00	
Henry Provost, Insurance '54 & '55	15.00	
Alstead —fire	25.00	
Blanchard Associates, repair hose conn.	7.54	
Justin A. MacCarthy Co., new hose	\$175.00	\$245.19
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Dec. 31, 1955 Balance		\$119.25
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REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF LANGDON, N. H. ON DECEMBER 31, 1955

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	Balance End Year	Balance Beginning Year	Income During Year Percent	Expended During Year Amount	Balance End Year
1904	Henry Prentiss	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	\$ 200.00	\$ 5.00	1 1/4	\$ 2.50	\$ 2.50
1907	Mary E. Holden	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	100.00	2.50	1 1/4	1.25	1.25
1908	Martha Ann Bowles	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	100.00	2.50	1 1/4	1.25	1.25
1911	Elisha Garfield	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	100.00	2.50	1 1/4	1.25	1.25
1915	Charles Winch	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.02	3	3.02	3.02
1916	Mary Sartwell	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	200.00	6.05	3	6.05	6.05
1916	Edmond Walker	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	200.00	5.00	1 1/4	2.50	5.00
1918	Leander G. Hill	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	200.00	5.00	1 1/4	2.50	5.00
1919	Sibel Guild	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	200.00	5.00	1 1/4	2.50	5.00
1919	Gilsum Walker	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	200.00	5.00	1 1/4	2.50	5.00
1921	Mary J. Jefts	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	200.00	5.00	1 1/4	2.50	5.00
1921	Catherine B. Holmes	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	50.00	1.50	3	1.50	1.50
1922	Melissa Smith	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.02	3	3.02	3.02
1923	Mary E. Standley	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.02	3	3.02	3.02
1923	Cram & Hutchins	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	125.00	3.12	1 1/4	1.56	1.56
1923	Joseph F. Tarble	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	75.00	1.83	1 1/4	.94	.94
1923	Ira W. Kingsbury	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	208.00	6.29	3	6.29	6.29
1926	Henry Bates	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	50.00	1.50	3	1.50	1.50
1927	Samuel K. Upton	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.02	3	3.02	3.02
1927	Holden Winch	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	150.00	4.53	3	4.53	4.53
1927	Frank A. Carpenter	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	50.00	1.50	3	1.50	1.50
1928	Eta V. Clark	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.02	3	3.02	3.02
1928	Roswell Huntton	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.02	3	3.02	3.02
1929	Robert C. Huntley	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.02	3	3.02	3.02
1929	Ira Davidson	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	100.00	2.50	1 1/4	1.25	1.25

1931	Sidney Wiley	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	50.00	1.50	3	1.50	1.50	1.50
1936	Chas. S. Edgerton	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	300.00	7.50	1 1/4	7.50	3.75	3.75
1936	Fred W. Dodge	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	100.00	2.50	1 1/4	2.50	1.25	1.25
1938	Marshall F. Bragg	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	100.00	2.50	1 1/4	2.50	1.25	1.25
1938	Herbert A. Holmes	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	150.00	4.53	3	4.53	4.53	4.53
1939	Sarah A. Porter	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	200.00	5.00	1 1/4	5.00	2.50	2.50
1939	Walker Knight Porter	Cemetery Care	3rd War Loan Bond, Series "G"	200.00	5.00	1 1/4	5.00	2.50	2.50
1940	Norman Adams	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.02	3	3.02	3.02	3.02
1943	Henry and Achash Royce-Smith	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	45.00	1.36	3	1.36	1.36	1.36
1943	George Jenna	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	50.00	1.50	3	1.50	1.50	1.50
1943	Samuel Slader	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	95.00	2.87	3	2.87	2.87	2.87
1943	Orville Pierce	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.02	3	3.02	3.02	3.02
1944	George and Rebecca Goodnow	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.02	3	3.02	3.02	3.02
1944	John Lamb	Cemetery Care	6th War Loan Bond	100.00	2.50	2 1/2	2.50	2.50	2.50
1945	William and Mary Roberts	Cemetery Care	7th War Loan Bond	100.00	2.50	2 1/2	2.50	2.50	2.50
1945	Dean Russell	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	150.00	4.53	3	4.53	4.53	4.53
1945	Roy W. Gardner	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.02	3	3.02	3.02	3.02
1946	George W. Ramsey	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.02	3	3.02	3.02	3.02
1948	Daniel and Joseph Davis	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	200.00	6.05	3	6.05	6.05	6.05
1950	Daniel and Agnes Bryant	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.02	3	3.02	3.02	3.02
1950	Alice and Nancy Kingsbury	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.02	3	3.02	3.02	3.02
1950	Eli L. Wilson	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.02	3	3.02	3.02	3.02
1952	Sydney D. Harris	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	150.00	4.53	3	4.53	4.53	4.53
1952	Jesse Pickering	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	3.02	3	3.02	3.02	3.02
1953	Samuel W. and James J. Prouty	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	200.00	6.05	3	6.05	6.05	6.05
1953	Catherine Ford Washburn	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	500.00	15.11	3	15.11	13.77	16.45
1954	Walter T. Winch	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	200.00	4.52	3	4.52	4.52	6.05
1954	Lydia Victoria Miles	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	100.00	1.50	3	1.50	3.00	3.02
1954	Ira M. Russell	Cemetery Care	Savings Bank of Walpole	200.00	3.00	3	3.00	6.05	6.05
			Totals	\$7,298.00	\$171.59		\$197.90		\$172.93

LANGDON SCHOOL DISTRICT

LANGDON, NEW HAMPSHIRE

OFFICERS AND SCHOOL DISTRICT PERSONNEL

1955—1956

Moderator

GEORGE A. HOLMES

Clerk

BRADLEIGH SMITH

Treasurer

EVA A. SMITH

Auditor

MAY B. HOLMES

School Board Members

ARTHUD GUDE

Term expires 1956

ARTHUR G. MARX

Term expires 1957

WALTER H. SMITH, JR.

Term expires 1958

Teachers:

CLEO DUNCAN

Grades 1-3

BARBARA PUTNAM

Grades 3-6

Union Clerk

MARION BRADISH

Union Nurse

FLORENCE MACIVER

Superintendent of Union #5

RALPH H. MEACHAM

SCHOOL WARRANT**State of New Hampshire**

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Langdon qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the thirteenth day of March, 1956, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and fix the compensation of any other officers or agent of the district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see what sum of money the district will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of 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.
9. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Langdon this 7th day of Feb., 1956.

ARTHUR GUDE
ARTHUR G. MARX
WALTER H. SMITH, JR.
School Board

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

	Actual Expendi- tures 1954-55	Estimated Expendi- tures 1955-56	Budget 1956-57
Administration			
1. Salaries of District Officers	\$ 140.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 135.00
2. Supt's Salary (Local Share)	178.64	182.50	232.50
3. Tax for Statewide Supervision	162.00	202.00	212.00
4. Salaries of Other Admin. Pers.	85.00	100.00	122.32
5. Supplies and Expenses	220.16	199.25	230.00
Instruction			
6. Prin. and Teachers' Salaries	6,000.07	6,850.00	6,700.00
7. Books and Other Instruct. Aids	83.78	180.00	174.00
8. Scholars' Supplies	587.26	265.00	290.00
9. Salaries of Clerical Assist.			
10. Supplies and Other Expenses	67.04	125.00	100.00
Operation of School Plant			
11. Salaries of Janitors	207.00	225.00	300.00
12. Fuel or Heat	271.65	275.00	300.00
13. Water, Light, Supplies and Exp.	191.11	200.00	200.00
Maintenance of School Plant			
14. Repairs and Replacements	519.16	50.00	200.00
Auxiliary Activities			
15. Health Supervision	281.99	248.93	297.43
16. Transportation	1,800.00	1,800.00	3,100.00
17. Tuition	10,499.58	11,230.00	14,880.00
18. Special Act. and Spec. Funds	5.00	25.00	50.00
Fixed Charges			
19. Retirement	407.59	449.31	480.59
20. Insurance, Tr. Bond and Exp.	137.49	126.93	150.00
Capital Outlay			
21. Land and New Buildings	238.55		
22. Additions and Improve. to Bldgs.		150.00	
23. New Equipment	20.30		
24. Pmts. into Capital Res Fund			
Debt and Interest			
25. Principal of Debt			
26. Interest on Debt			
ESTIMATED TOTAL FOR YEAR	22,103.37	23,018.92	27,853.84

Receipts

Balance Actual or estimate)	18.67	300.00	440.00
State Aid (General)	5,650.54	10,625.53	10,000.00
District Assessment	16,790.63	12,533.39	17,413.84
Old Books Sold	55.00		
TOTAL	\$23,514.84	\$23,458.92	\$27,853.84

TUITION LIST

1955-56

Alstead, Elementary: (28)

Madeline Ring, 1
 John Wood, 1
 Richard Wood, 1
 Laura Wood, 2
 Francis Chase, 3
 Raymond Ring, 3
 Kathleen Wood, 4
 Jane Annis, 7
 Peter Bruzgis, 7
 Marilyn Campbell, 7
 Ronald Hurd, 7
 Kathleen Johnson, 7
 Randee Marx, 7
 Laura Mason, 7
 Walter Pelton, 7
 Rose Scudder, 7
 Harold Stevens, 7
 Judith Tuthill, 7
 Rita Wood, 7
 Julie Bruzgis, 8
 Elsie Burke, 8
 Lorenz Gude, 8
 Ralph Nichols, 8
 Margaret Scanlon, 8
 Sharon Stevens, 8
 Marjorie Wood, 8
 Shelley Wood, 8
 Richard Wood, 8

Alstead High: (19)

Christine Owens, 9
 Roger Pelton, 9
 William Pelton, 9
 Stephen Robie, 9
 John Scanlon, 9
 Lillian Barton, 10
 Patricia Batchelder, 10
 Thomas Marx, 10
 Sandra Robie, 10
 Sydney Strong, 10
 Bernardette Burke, 11
 Joanna Campbell, 11
 Madeline Edson, 11
 William Harrington, 11
 Marjorie Hurd, 11
 Francis Pelton, 11
 Jacqueline Robie, 11
 Joan Bugbee, 12
 Jacqueline Burke, 12

Charlestown: (2)

Charlestown Elementary:
 Warren Newcomb, 7

Charlestown High:

Phillip Newcomb, 12

REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER**For Year Ending June 30, 1955**

Cash on Hand July 1, 1954	\$ 18.67
Receipts:	
State of New Hampshire	
Education and Equalization Fund	5,650.54
Selectmen Appropriation	16,790.63
Unity School District	
Surplus Books	55.00
Follet Publishing Co.	
Refund of Duplicate Payment of 1/10/55	2.91
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Total Receipts	\$22,517.75
Disbursements:	
Paid on School Orders	\$22,106.28
Cash Balance on Hand June 30, 1955	411.47
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	\$22,517.75

Respectfully Submitted,
EVA R. SMITH, Treasurer

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Board and citizens of Langdon, I herewith submit my fourth annual report as Superintendent of schools.

The school opened with Miss Cleo Duncan as teacher of grades one, two and part of three and Miss Mildred Stearns as teacher of grades four, five and six and part of three. Due to illness it was necessary for Miss Stearns to resign and Mrs. Hazen of Sullivan was employed after Mrs. Gladys Hood of Charlestown substituted for a week. Mrs. Hazen who had not taught for many years found the position too difficult and resigned at the end of October. During this period of transition, the services of Mrs. Pauline Durling were secured in an attempt to relieve the difficult teaching situation of four grades and thirty pupils in one room.

Mrs. Barabra Putnam consented to teach even though her training at Keene Teachers College was for Home Economics. She is now taking additional training at Keene to further qualify her for elementary teaching.

The remedial work being accomplished by Mrs. Durling has shown definite pupil improvement in not only reading but in other subjects as well.

The present enrollment and census figures indicate that it may be possible to continue to teach grades one through six in Langdon. However if these numbers change during the summer months and the coming year, serious consideration must be given to an addition to the present building or payment of tuition for the sixth grade.

One of the major increases in the budget is due to additional transportation requirements.

Miss Florence MacIver is continuing her fine work as school nurse. She has examined and sent home reports as necessary and through her efforts absence due to illness has been kept to a minimum.

May I thank you as citizens and the School Board for your excellent cooperation and support. I know that you will make the right decision when the time comes to consider a building program.

Resectfully submitted,

RALPH H. MEACHAM, Superintendent

SCHOOL NURSE'S REPORT

This past year has been a most eventful one in the field of preventive medicine. Through the efforts of Dr. Jonas Salk and his co-workers a vaccine to be used in the prevention of Poliomyelitis was licensed and made available to all children in the first and second grades in schools throughout the country. This was a tremendous step toward stamping out poliomyelitis.

Co-operating under a nationwide program the State Department of Health conducted large clinics for the administration of the vaccine. In order for a child to receive the innoculations of the vaccine it was necessary for the parents of the child to sign a permission slip. Despite some of the unfavorable reports about the vaccine the re-Model Gal. No. 11

sponse of the parents toward the program was very good. The enthusiasm of the children toward these innoculations was amazing. No unfavorable reactions were reported in our area.

Further clinics for the administration of Salk Vaccine are being planned. Children through the age of fourteen years are to be included in the next clinics.

It seems wonderful to think that at last there is available an immunizing agent capable of preventing paralytic polio and its many tragedies. This is certainly a very important step in guarding the health of our children, now and in the future.

Interest on the part of the parents is so very essential to the success of these programs. As always the parents have co-operated. It is very great pleasure to work with you and with your children. Combined interest of everyone is what brings about improved health programs for the children.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE C. MacIVER, School Nurse

**SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION FOR
TOWN OF LANGDON, N. H.
DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY**

<i>A. Include amount exempted to Soliders and Blind</i>	
Lands and Buildings (Exclusive of Growing Wood and Timber)	\$449,650.00
Mature Wood and Timber (Chapter 285, Laws of 1949)	
Electric Plants (Land, rights of way, dams, canals, flowage, buildings, structures, machinery, dynamos, apparatus, poles, wires, and fixtures used in generating or distributing electric current.)	11,080.00
(See opposite page)	
Petroleum and Gas Transmission Lines (Inc. Buildings and Machinery)	
Horses, Asses and Mules (18)	650.00
Oxen	
Cows (458)	30,120.00
Other Neat Stock (76)	3,360.00
Sheep and Goats (40)	350.00
Hogs	
Fowls (2,285)	1,130.00
Fur-Bearing Animals	
Vehicles	
Boats and Launches	
Portable Mills (2)	1,150.00
Road Building and Repairing and Well Drilling Machinery	
Wood, Lumber, etc.	250.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	630.00
Stock in Trade	1,310.00
Mills and Machinery	
Aqueducts ,Locks and Canals (Include electric utility property under electric plants above.)	
Toll Bridges	
Wharves and Ferries	
C. Total Gross Valuation	<hr/>
Before Exemptions Allowed	\$499,680.00
D. Less: Soldiers' Exemptions and Exemptions to Blind	\$ 20,140.00
E. Net Valuation On Which	<hr/>
Tax Rate Is Computed	\$479,540.00

ELECTRIC AND GAS UTILITY COMPANIES

Give name of each company assessed and total assessment against each. *The total of the "Electric" column should be the same as the amount entered against the third item on the list of total valuations on the opposite page.* The total of the "Gas" column should be included in the "Lands and Buildings" item, and the total "Stock in Trade" assessed to electric or gas companies included in the "Stock in Trade" item on the opposite page.

Name of Company	Electric Plant	Gas Plant	Stock in Trade
Granite State Elec. Co.	\$8,680.00		
N. H. Elec. Coop. Inc.	2,400.00		
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Total	\$11,080.00		
Amount of property valuation exempted to veterans			\$20,140.00
Number of inventories distributed			168
Number of inventories returned			80
Number of veterans who received property exemptions			22
Number of veterans exempted from poll tax			42

TOWN OF LANGDON, N. H. Vital Statistics For Year Ending December 31, 1955

Births

Date	Place	Name	Father	Mother (Maiden Name)
Feb. 25	Bellows Falls	David Paul Blake	Harry James Blake	Virginia Mae Ranta
Mar. 6	Bellows Falls	Erwin Leslie Jones	Maurice Gardner Jones	Hilda Christine Bragg
May 8	Bellows Falls	Michael Joseph Kmiec	Joseph Stanley Kmiec	Mildred Mary DeMond
July 7	Bellows Falls	Maureen Faye Adams	Robert Frank Adams	Joyce Elaine Ranta
July 17	Bellows Falls	Joyce Marion Ring	Stanley Hiland Ring	Dorothy Marion Batchelder
Dec. 22	Bellows Falls	Pamela Susan Wheeler	Hollis William Wheeler	Shirley Marie Bush

Marriages

Date	Bride and Groom	Residence	Age	By Whom Married	Office
Apr. 10	Warren Hartly Campbell Delinda Anne Haskins	Langdon Alstead	21 19	George B. Marsh	Clergyman
Sept. 11	Robert Colin Fraquair Virginia Frances Campbell	West Swanzey Langdon	22 18	Lewis M. Blackmer	Clergyman
Sept. 23	John Henry Rice, Jr. Muriel Ernestine Campbell	Bellows Falls Langdon	20 19	Robert A. Sargent	Clergyman
Oct. 20	Robert Otis Thurston Doris Fay Bacon	Langdon Langdon	24 20	Robert A. Sargent	Clergyman
Nov. 24	Jacob Koson Anna Mary Podwin	Langdon Bellows Falls	46 44	Benjamin H. Bragg	Justice of Peace

Death

Date	Name	Age	Place of Death	Burial
Mar. 9	Lillian Tilda Kenyon	73	Langdon	Langdon
Apr. 1	George Robert Shepard	63	Middletown, Conn.	Langdon
Apr. 7	Lillian Rowell	91	Langdon	South Hero, Vt.
Apr. 7	Elva Balliard	58	Concord, N. H.	Highgate, Vt.
Apr. 28	Beatrice May Fenno	60	Langdon	Westminster, Vt.
Oct. 15	George B. Ordway	86	Hanover	Claremont
Dec. 30	Frank Dennison Merrell	95	Langdon	Entombed, Bellows Falls

I hereby certify that the above returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.
SYDNEY H. BATCHELDER,
 Town Clerk of Langdon

