

ANNUAL REPORT


**OF THE TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF**

STRATFORD, N. H.

**FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31**

1956

**INCLUDING REPORT OF THE OFFICERS
OF STRATFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT**



Digitized by the Internet Archive
in 2022 with funding from
University of New Hampshire Library

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE TOWN OFFICERS
OF THE TOWN OF

STRATFORD, N. H.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING
DECEMBER 31

1956

INCLUDING REPORT OF THE OFFICERS
OF STRATFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

DEMOCRAT PRESS - LANCASTER

N
352.07
S88
1956

Town Officers

	Term Expires
Moderator	
Victor Bruno	1958
Town Clerk	
Edna Fuller	1957
Selectmen	
Aaron E. Stevens	1957
Jessie C. Silsby	1958
George D. Keysar	1959
Treasurer	
Grace S. Martin	1957
Tax Collector	
Amy J. Blodgett	1957
Health Officer	
Roger L. Hunt	1958
Public Health Nurse	
Delia B. Hapgood	1957
Police Officer	1958
Elmer Paradis	
Water Rent Collector	1957
Amy J. Blodgett	1958
Supervisors	1959
Ruth Barnett	
Ethel Johnson	1957
Lena Stinson	
Cemetery Trustees	1957
Leslie Barnett	
Hugh Johnson	1958
William Fuller	1958
Cemetery Trust Fund Trustees	
Hugh Johnson	1957
Delia B. Hapgood	1958
Dorothy Taylor	1959
Soldiers' Memorial Trust Fund Treasurers	
Grace S. Martin	
Walter L. Niles	
Town Bookkeeper	
Amy J. Blodgett	
Auditors	
State Division of Municipal Accounting	

Town Warrant

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Stratford, County of Coos,
in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said village of North Stratford, on Tuesday the 12th day of March, 1957, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1. To elect a clerk for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 2. To elect two auditors for the ensuing year, or to see if the town will vote to petition the State Tax Commission to have an audit made by the Division of Municipal Accounting, and to make an appropriation to cover the cost of same.

ARTICLE 3. To elect a treasurer for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 4. To elect one selectman for three years.

ARTICLE 5. To elect all other town officers.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the town will vote to continue the services of the Public Health Nurse, and raise money for same.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$50.00 toward Blister Rust Control. This amount to be set aside for future use.

ARTICLE 8. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for building and repairing highways and bridges; and for town maintenance.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the town will vote to raise \$86.61 for Town Road Aid, thereby obtaining from the state the sum of \$577.41 to be expended on Class IV and V highways.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the town will vote to appropriate \$500 to buy a dump site; build and maintain a gravel road to same, and maintain dump thereafter. A committee of three citizens appointed to see that it is done.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the town will vote to maintain a Blinker Light over the middle of road near the corner of Town Hall.

ARTICLE 12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for the following: Libraries; Memorial Day; Memorial Trust Fund; Skating Rinks; Sewers; Street Lighting; Cemeteries; Retirement of Long Term Notes; Interest; Insurance; Personal Bonds and any other money for the town.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$111.20 to the White Mountains Region Association, being 10c per \$1000 of the assessed valuation (1/100th of 1%), for the purpose of issuing and distributing printed matter and otherwise publicizing the advantages of the town, in cooperation with the other 45 towns of the region.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell at public auction, any real estate acquired by the town through tax collector's deeds, and at public auction or by private sale any other real estate acquired or owned by the town and not presently used for public purposes, and until such sale is made, to administer such property in the best interests of the town.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen and town treasurer to borrow a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate \$15,000 in anticipation of the collecting of taxes for the current municipal year, and to issue in the name, and on the credit of the town negotiable notes therefor; said notes to be repaid during the current municipal year.

ARTICLE 16. To hear reports of agent, officers and committees heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relative thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To transact any other business that may be legally brought before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal at North Stratford, this 12th day of February, A. D. 1957.

AARON E. STEVENS,
JESSIE C. SILSBY,
Selectmen of Stratford.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:
AARON E. STEVENS,
JESSIE C. SILBY,
Selectmen of Stratford.

Budget for 1957

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1957 to December 31, 1957, compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956.

Sources of Revenue	Actual 1956	Estimated 1957
From State:		
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 104.86	\$ 105.00
Railroad Tax	1,337.26	1,350.00
Savings Bank Tax	105.80	105.00
For Fighting Forest Fires	49.92	
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	86.26	
From Local Sources Except Taxes:		
Dog Licenses	125.28	230.00
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	6.00	
Rent of Town Hall and Other Bldgs.	354.00	350.00
Interest Received on Taxes & Deposits	108.46	100.00
Income of Departments	944.50	900.00
Income from Municipally owned Utilities:		
Water Department	3,910.17	3,500.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	4,966.73	4,000.00
Sale of Town Property	47.50	
From Local Taxes Other Than		
Property Taxes:		
Poll Taxes—Regular @ \$2	538.00	500.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	20.00	20.00
Yield Taxes	2,241.99	1,500.00
<hr/>		
Total Revenues from All Sources		
Except Property Taxes	\$14,946.73	\$12,660.00
Amt. to be raised by Prop. Taxes		45,618.68
<hr/>		
Total Revenue		\$58,278.68

Purposes of Expenditures	Actual Expend. 1956	Estimated Expend. 1957
Current Maintenance Expenses:		
General Government:		
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,352.52	\$ 2,350.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,218.11	1,300.00
Election and Registration Expenses	334.50	50.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.	2,415.90	2,500.00
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police Department	43.00	100.00
Fire Department	3,175.20	1,000.00
Moth Exterm.—Blister Rust & Care of Trees		50.00
Insurance	889.08	900.00
Civil Defense		25.00
Health:		
Health Dept., including Hospitals	3,918.48	4,000.00
Vital Statistics	29.00	30.00
Sewer Maintenance	369.48	300.00
Town Dump & Garbage Removal	65.00	100.00
Highways and Bridges:		
Town Maintenance—Summer	962.74	1,500.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	1,706.39	1,800.00
Street Lighting	1,530.24	1,600.00
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	28.79	50.00
Town Road Aid	110.37	86.61
Libraries	.39	500.00
Public Welfare:		
Town Poor	1,076.01	2,500.00
Old Age Assistance	1,567.87	2,500.00
Patriotic Purposes:		
Memorial Day & Veterans' Associations	119.48	100.00
Aid to Soldiers & Their Families	31.82	200.00
Recreation:		
Parks & Playgrounds, incl. Band Concerts	211.00	215.00
Public Service Enterprises:		
Municipally Owned Water & Electric Utilities	4,627.24	1,000.00
Cemeteries	118.50	100.00

Unclassified:		
Damages & Legal Expenses,		
Incl. Dog Damage	645.08	100.00
Advertising & Regional Associations	103.93	112.20
Employees' Retirement & Social Security	719.93	600.00
Interest:		
On Temporary Loans	91.25	100.00
On Long Term Notes & Bonds	207.00	225.00
Highways and Bridges:		
Sidewalk Construction	359.48	
New Lands and Buildings	50.00	
Payment on Principal of Debt:		
Long Term Notes	2,200.00	2,200.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
County Taxes	2,890.75	3,000.00
School Taxes	22,470.92	29,084.87
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Total Expenditures	\$56,639.45	\$60,278.68

Summary Inventory of Valuation

TAX YEAR 1956

Lands and Buildings (Exclusive of Growing Wood and Timber)	\$ 700,346.00
Mills and Machinery	247,550.00
Electric Plants (Public Service Co. of N. H.)	97,900.00
House Trailers used as Dwellings	2,000.00
Stock in Trade	209,514.00
Vehicles	24,000.00
Horses, Asses and Mules 28	2,725.00
Cows 394	35,340.00
Other Neat Stock 55	4,125.00
Sheep and Goats 1	20.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	2,025.00
Portable Mills—Road Building, Repairing and Well Drilling Machinery	26,500.00
<hr/>	
Total Gross Valuation before Exemptions Allowed	1,352,045.00
Less: Soldiers' Exemptions and Exemptions to Blind	36,600.00
<hr/>	
Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is Computed	\$1,315,445.00
Amount of property valuation exempted to veterans	\$36,600.00
Number of inventories distributed	245
Number of inventories returned	107
Number of veterans who received property exemption	39
Number of veterans exempted from poll tax	95

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.

GEO. D. KEYSAR,
AARON E. STEVENS,
JESSIE C. SILSBY,
Selectmen of Stratford

May 29, 1956

Statement of Appropriations and Taxes Assessed

TAX YEAR 1956

Appropriations:

Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,350.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,450.00
Social Security or Retirement	355.00
Election and Registration Expenses	300.00
Town Hall and Buildings Maintenance	1,800.00
Police Department	50.00
Fire Department	1,000.00
Civilian Defense	25.00
Blister Rust—Moth Extermination and Care of Trees	50.00
Health Department	3,000.00
Dump and Garbage Collection	150.00
Vital Statistics	30.00
Town Road Aid	110.37
Town Maintenance	2,700.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	50.00
Insurance	900.00
Sidewalk Construction	300.00
Street Lighting	1,525.00
Sewers	300.00
Old Age Assistance	2,000.00
Public Relief	2,700.00
Memorial Day, Vet. Assoc., Old Home Day	215.00
Parks & Playgrounds, inc. Band Concerts	200.00
Water and Electric Utilities	1,000.00
Cemeteries	100.00
Damages & Legal Expenses, inc. Dog Damages	700.00
Advertising & Regional Associations	103.93
Payments on Debt	2,500.00
Previous Year's Deficit	90.75
County Tax	2,890.75
School Tax	29,665.87
Capital Reserve Fund—to be raised by taxation	26,665.87
<hr/>	
Total Town and School Appropriations	\$55,520.92
Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits:	
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 140.86

Railroad Tax	1,300.00	
Savings Bank Tax	185.00	
Revenue from Yield Tax Sources	1,212.67	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	4,200.00	
Dog Licenses	200.00	
Rent of Town Property and Equipment	400.00	
Water and Electric Departments	3,300.00	
Sale of Tax Deeded Property	300.00	
Yield Taxes	800.00	
Income from Depts.	1,000.00	
		<hr/> \$13,002.53
Total Revenues and Credits		42,518.39
Plus Overlay		377.85
		<hr/>
Net Amount to be raised by Taxation		\$42,896.24
Less: 391 Poll Taxes at \$2.00	\$782.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	20.00	
		<hr/> 802.00
		<hr/>
Amount to be raised by property taxes		\$42,094.24
Taxes to be committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	\$42,094.24	
Poll Taxes at \$2.00	782.00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	20.00	
		<hr/>
Total Taxes to be Committed	\$42,896.24	
1,315,445x3.20—\$42,094.24		
Tax Rate—\$3.20 (Approved by Tax Comm.)		

CERTIFICATE

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

May 29, 1956

GEO. D. KEYSAR,
AARON E. STEVENS,
Selectmen of Stratford

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures - Town of Stratford Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1956

	Forwarded from 1955	Appropriations	Receipts & Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Balances Unexpended	Overdrafts
Town Officers'							
Salaries	\$	2,350.00	\$	2,350.00	\$ 2,352.52	\$	2.52
Town Officers' Expenses		1,450.00	27.79	1,477.79	1,268.11	209.68	
Social Security & Retirement		355.00	5.26	360.26	736.97		376.71
Election & Registration Expenses		300.00		300.00	334.50		34.50
Town Hall & Buildings							
Maintenance		1,800.00		1,800.00	2,415.90		615.90
Police Department		50.00		50.00	43.00	7.00	
Fire Department		1,000.00	370.62	1,370.62	3,175.20		1,804.58
Civil Defense	25.00	25.00		50.00		50.00	
Bliester Rust—							
Care of Trees		50.00		50.00		50.00	
Health Department		3,000.00		3,000.00	3,918.48		918.48

	Forwarded from 1955	Appropriations	Receipts & Reimbursements	Total Amount Available	Expenditures	Unexpended	Balances Overdrafts
Dump & Garbage Coll.		150.00		150.00	65.00	85.00	
Vital Statistics		30.00		30.00	29.00	1.00	
Town Road Aid		110.37		110.37	110.37		
Town Maintenance —							
Summer		1,500.00		1,500.00	962.74	537.26	
Winter		1,200.00		1,200.00	1,706.39		506.39
General Expense of							
Highway Department		50.00		50.00	28.79	21.21	
Insurance		900.00		900.00	889.08	10.92	
Sidewalk Construction		300.00		300.00	359.48		59.48
Street Lighting		1,525.00		1,525.00	1,530.24		5.24
Sewer Maintenance		300.00		300.00	369.48		69.48
Old Age Assistance		2,000.00	86.26	2,086.26	1,567.87	518.39	
Town Poor		2,500.00	15.91	2,515.91	1,070.51	1,445.40	
Soldiers' Aid		200.00		200.00	37.32	162.68	
Memorial Day		215.00		215.00	119.48	95.52	
Parks & Playgrounds		200.00		200.00	211.00		11.00
Water Department		1,000.00	2,700.00	3,700.00	4,627.24		927.24
Cemeteries		100.00		100.00	118.50		18.50

Damages & Legal Expenses	700.00	700.00	645.08	54.92
Advertising & Regional Associations	103.93	103.93	103.93	
Principal of Debt	2,200.00	2,200.00	2,200.00	
Interest on Debt	300.00	300.00	298.25	1.75
County Tax	2,890.75	2,890.75	2,890.75	
School Tax	17,870.92	44,536.79	22,470.92	*
Overlay	26,665.87	377.85	274.11	103.74
Temporary Loans		12,000.00	12,000.00	
Libraries			.39	.39
	<u>\$ 17,895.92</u>	<u>\$ 89,000.53</u>	<u>\$ 68,930.60</u>	<u>\$ 3,354.47</u>
	\$ 55,898.77	\$ 15,205.84	\$ 89,000.53	\$ 5,350.41

*\$22,065.87 Liability forwarded to 1957

ANALYSIS OF CHANGE IN FINANCIAL CONDITION

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1956

Net Debt—December 31, 1956	\$6,132.85
Net Debt—December 31, 1955	5,154.84

Increase in Net Debt	\$ 978.01
----------------------	-----------

Analysis of Change

Increases:

Long Term Notes Issued	\$2,700.00
Tax Liens Transferred to Tax Deede	119.98
Decrease in Water Rents Receivable	369.91

\$3,189.89

Decreases:

Net Budget Surplus	\$ 11.88
Long Term Notes Paid	2,200.00
	2,211.88

Net Increase	\$ 978.01
--------------	-----------

Balance Sheet

ASSETS

Cash:	
In hands of treasurer	\$16,096.43
In hands of Tax Collector	27.50
	\$16,123.93
Other Bills Due Town:	
Water Rent	1,695.97
Jas. Provencher Estate	406.55
	2,102.52
Unredeemed Taxes:	
Levy of 1955	100.37
Levy of 1954	42.99
Previous Years	261.81
	405.17
Uncollected Taxes:	
Levy of 1956	5,597.55
Levy of 1955	53.07
Levy of 1954	132.47
Previous Years	672.88
	6,455.97
State Head Taxes—Levy of 1956	755.00
State Head Taxes—Previous Years	15.00
	770.00
Total Assets	\$25,857.59
Excess of liabilities over assets (Net Debt)	6,132.85
	\$31,990.44
Grand Total	
Net Debt—December 31, 1955	\$5,154.84
Net Debt—December 31, 1956	6,132.85
	\$ 978.01
(Purpose for which debt was created—Water Main)	

LIABILITIES

Accounts Owed by the Town:	
Due to State:	
State Head Taxes—1956	
(Uncollected \$755) (Collected—not remitted to State Treas. \$27.50), State Yield Tax uncollected \$307.96, Collected \$134.11	
	\$ 1,224.57

Due to School Districts:	
Balance of Appropriation	22,065.87
Long Term Notes Outstanding:	
Water Notes, Issue of 1938	6,000.00
Water Main Note due Sept. 18, 1957	1,200.00
Water Main Note due Nov. 1, 1958	1,500.00
	<hr/>
Total Liabilities	\$31,990.44
Grand Total	\$31,990.44

Receipts and Payments

RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes:

Property Taxes, Current Year, 1956	\$38,535.61
Poll Taxes, Current Year, Regular @ \$2—1956	538.00
National Bank Stock Taxes, 1956	20.00
Yield Taxes, 1956	804.65
State Head Taxes @ \$5—1956	1,615.00

Total Current Year's Taxes collected and remitted	\$41,513.26
Prop. Taxes & Yield Taxes, prev. Yrs.	4,499.90
Poll Taxes, Prev. Yrs., Reg. @ \$2	254.00
State Head Taxes @ \$5, Prev. Yrs.	845.00
Interest received on Taxes	108.46
Penalties on State Head Taxes	84.50
Tax sales redeemed	276.86

From State:

Interest and dividends tax	104.86
Railroad Tax	1,337.26
Savings Bank Tax and Building & Loan Association Tax	105.80
Reimbursement a/c State Head Tax	22.59
Fighting forest fires	49.42
Probation Department	231.30
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance	86.26
	1,937.49

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:

Dog licenses	248.10
Business licenses, permits & filing fees	6.00
Rent of town property	354.00
Income from department	1,263.50
Income from municipal water and electric departments	3,910.17
Registration of motor vehicles:	
1955 Permits	67.23
1956 Permits	4,899.50
	10,748.50

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:

Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	\$12,000.00
---	-------------

Long term notes during year	2,700.00
Insurance adjustments	108.35
Refunds	33.57
Sale of town property	47.50
	<hr/>
Total Receipts Other than Cur. Revenue	\$14,889.42
	<hr/>
Total Receipts from All Sources	\$75,157.39
Cash on hand January 1, 1956	12,226.75
	<hr/>
Grand Total	\$87,384.14

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:	
General Government:	
Town Officers' salaries	\$ 2,312.52
Town Officers' expenses	1,218.11
Election and registration expenses	334.50
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	2,415.90
Protection of Persons and Property:	
Police department	43.00
Fire department, including forest fires	3,175.20
Insurance	889.08
Health:	
Health departments, including hospitals	3,918.48
Vital statistics	29.00
Sewer maintenance	369.48
Town dumps and garbage removal	65.00
Highways and Bridges:	
Town Road Aid	110.37
Town Maintenance (Summer \$962.74)	
(Winter \$1,706.39)	2,669.13
Street Lighting	1,530.24
General Expenses of Highway Department	28.79
Libraries:	
Libraries	.39
Public Welfare	
Old Age Assistance	1,567.87
Town poor	1,076.01
Patriotic Purposes:	
Memorial Day and Veteran's Associations	119.48
Aid to soldiers and their families	31.82
Recreation:	
Parks & Playgrounds, including band concerts	211.00

Public Service Enterprises:		
Municipal water and electric departments		4,627.24
Cemeteries, including hearse hire		118.50
Unclassified:		
Damages and legal expenses		645.08
Advertising and Regional Associations		103.93
Taxes bought by town		216.72
Discounts, Abatements and Refunds		17.04
Employees' Retirement and Social Security		719.93
Interest		
Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	\$ 91.25	
Paid on long term notes	207.00	
	<hr/>	
Total Interest Payment		298.25
Outlay for New Construction, Equipment & Permanent Improvements:		
Sidewalk construction	\$ 359.48	
Other	50.00	
	<hr/>	
Total Outlay Payments		409.48
Indebtedness:		
Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	\$12,000.00	
Payments on long term notes	2,200.00	
	<hr/>	
Total Indebtedness Payments		14,200.00
Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:		
State Head Taxes paid State Treas. (1956 Taxes \$1,456.50) (Prior Years \$958.00)	2,414.50	
Taxes paid to County	2,890.75	
Payments to School Districts (1955 Tax \$17,870.92) (1956 Tax \$4,600)	22,470.92	
	<hr/>	
Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions		\$27,776.17
	<hr/>	
Total Payments for all Purposes		\$71,287.71
Cash on hand December 31, 1956		16,096.43
	<hr/>	
Grand Total		\$87,384.14

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.

Feb. 12, 1957

AARON E. STEVENS,
JESSIE C. SILSBY,
Selectmen
GRACE S. MARTIN,
Treasurer

Schedule of Town Property

Description	Value
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 20,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	2,000.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	2,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	500.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	7,000.00
Equipment	4,500.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	
Equipment	100.00
Parks, Commons, and Playgrounds	2,000.00
Water Supply	100,000.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	84,800.00
Equipment	11,000.00
All Lands & Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's deeds:	
Town House, Stratford Center	2,000.00
Cora Graham Property L & B	500.00
Gregoire Lot 163 (130 A)	300.00
Town Histories	250.00
Shedd Property, East Stratford	300.00
Total	\$237,250.00

Town Clerk's Report

Vital Statistics:

Marriages and Copies	14
Births and Copies	25
Deaths and Copies	11

Motor Vehicle Permits Issued

18 1955 Permits	\$ 67.23	
472 1956 Permits	4,899.50	
	<hr/>	\$4,966.73

Dog Licenses Issued:

77 @ \$2.00	\$ 154.00	
28 @ 2.50	70.00	
4 @ 5.00	20.00	
4 @ 5.50	22.00	
4 Part of year	5.50	
Less Fees Retained @ 20c	23.40	
	<hr/>	248.10
Filing Fees		6.00
		<hr/>

Paid to Treasurer \$5,220.83

Respectfully submitted

MRS. EDNA FULLER,
Town Clerk

Report of Tax Collector

SUMMARY OF WARRANT PROPERTY, POLL AND YIELD TAXES

Levy of 1956

- DR. -

Taxes Committed to Collector:

Property Taxes	\$42,062.26
Poll Taxes	782.00
Yield Taxes	2,652.55
National Bank Stock Taxes	20.00

Total Warrant \$45,516.81

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	64.00
Poll Taxes	12.00

TOTAL DEBITS \$45,592.81

- CR. -

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$38,535.61
Poll Taxes	538.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	20.00
Yield Taxes	804.65

\$39,898.26

Abatements:

Property Taxes	75.00
Polls	22.00

Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:

Property Taxes	3,515.65
Poll Taxes	234.00
Yield Taxes	1,847.90

TOTAL CREDITS \$45,592.81

SUMMARY OF WARRANT PROPERTY, POLL AND YIELD TAXES

Levy of 1955

- DR. -

Uncollected Taxes -- As of Jan. 1, 1956:

Property Taxes	\$3,125.71
Poll Taxes	252.00
Added Polls	12.00

Yield Taxes	1,443.26	
Interest	98.31	
		<hr/>
TOTAL DEBITS		\$4,931.28
- CR. -		
Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1956:		
Property Taxes		\$2,986.93
Poll Taxes		234.00
Yield Taxes		1,425.34
Interest Collected		98.31
Abatements Made During Year:		
Property		109.63
Polls		24.00
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:		
Property Taxes		29.15
Poll Taxes		6.00
Yield Taxes		17.92
		<hr/>
TOTAL CREDITS		\$4,931.28

Levy of 1954

- DR. -		
Uncollected Taxes—As of January 1, 1956:		
Unremitted Taxes (1954)	\$ 6.97	
Property Taxes	219.01	
Poll Taxes	14.00	
Added Poll Taxes	4.00	
		<hr/>
		\$ 243.98
Interest Collected		9.15
		<hr/>
TOTAL DEBITS		\$ 253.13
- CR. -		
Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1956:		
Unremitted Taxes (1954)		6.97
Property Taxes		74.66
Poll Taxes		10.00
Interest Collected		9.15
Abatements Made During Year		19.88
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:		
Property Taxes		124.47
Poll Taxes		8.00
		<hr/>
TOTAL CREDITS		\$ 253.13

Levy of 1953

- DR. -

Uncollected Taxes—As of January 1, 1956:

Property Taxes	\$	74.97
Poll Tax		2.00
Added Polls		4.00
Yield Taxes		15.84
TOTAL DEBITS	\$	96.81

- CR. -

Remitted to Treasurer:

Yield Taxes	\$	12.00
Poll Taxes		4.00

Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List:

Property Taxes	74.97
Poll Tax	2.00
Yield Tax	3.84

TOTAL CREDITS	\$	96.81
---------------	----	-------

**SUMMARY OF WARRANT
LEVIES OF PREVIOUS YEARS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1956**

Debits:

Credits:

	1952	1950	1949	1948
Uncollected Taxes:				
Property Taxes	60.20		78.21	469.26
Poll Taxes		4.00	8.00	
	\$60.20	\$4.00	\$86.21	\$469.26
Paid to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:				
Poll Taxes			6.00	
Abatements				21.60
Uncollected Taxes as per Collector's List				
Property Taxes	60.20		78.21	447.66
Poll Taxes		4.00	2.00	
	\$60.20	\$4.00	\$86.21	\$469.26

**SUMMARY OF WARRANT
STATE HEAD TAX**

Levy of 1956

- DR. -

State Head Taxes Committed to Collector:

Original Warrant	\$2,425.00	
Added Taxes	30.00	
Total Commitment		\$2,455.00
Penalties Collected after Dec. 1		2.50
TOTAL DEBITS		\$2,457.50

- CR. -

Remittances to Treasurer:

Head Taxes	\$1,615.00	
Cash on hand, collected after December 1	25.00	
Penalties	2.50	
Total Collected		\$1,642.50
Abatements		55.00
Uncollected Head Taxes as per Collector's List		760.00
TOTAL CREDITS		\$2,457.50

AMY J. BLODGETT,
Tax Collector

Levy of 1955

- DR. -

Uncollected Head Taxes, Dec. 31, 1955	\$ 780.00	
Cash on Hand—December 31, 1955		
Head Taxes	105.00	
Penalties	10.50	
		895.50
Added Head Taxes		40.00
Penalties Collected		74.00
TOTAL DEBITS		\$1,009.50

- CR. -

Remittances to Treasurer		
Head Taxes	\$ 845.00	
Penalties	84.50	
		929.50

Abatements	65.00
Uncollected Head Taxes, Dec. 31, 1956	15.00
	<hr/>
TOTAL CREDITS	\$1,009.50

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS

As of December 31, 1956

DR.

Tax Sale on account of Levies of:
Previous

	1955	1954	1953	1952	Years
(a) Taxes sold to Town					
During Current					
Fiscal Year	\$216.72				
(b) Bal. of Unredeemed					
Taxes Jan. 1, 1956		\$91.16	\$180.86	\$94.16	\$202.29
Interest Collected					
after sale	3.10	1.60	12.12		
<hr/> Total Debits	\$219.82	\$92.76	\$192.98	\$94.16	\$202.29

CR.

Remittances to Treas.					
During Year	\$119.45	\$49.77	\$107.64		
Abatements During					
Year			31.88	\$27.14	\$60.96
Unredeemed Taxes					
at close of year	100.37	42.99	53.46	67.02	141.29
<hr/> Total Credits	\$219.82	\$92.76	\$192.98	\$94.16	\$202.29

AMY J. BLODGETT,
Tax Collector.

Report of Town Treasurer

Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1956

BALANCE—December 31, 1955		\$12,226.75
Received from:		
Amy J. Blodgett, Tax Collector:		
1956 Taxes Property	\$38,535.61	
Polls	538.00	
Yield	804.65	
National Bank Stock	20.00	
		39,898.26
Previous Year's Taxes		
Property	3,062.56	
Polls	254.00	
Yield	1,437.34	
Interest	108.46	
		4,862.36
Redeemed Taxes		
1953	64.12	
1954	48.17	
1955	116.35	
Interest & Costs	16.82	
		276.86
Head Taxes		
1956	1,615.00	
1955	845.00	
1955 Penalties	84.50	
		2,544.50
Water Rent		
Chesley E. Robie	873.61	
Amy J. Blodgett	3,036.56	
		3,910.17
Edna Fuller—Town Clerk:		
Motor Vehicle Permits	4,966.73	
Dog Licenses	248.10	
Filing Fees	6.00	
		5,220.83
Delia B. Hapgood, Public Health Nurse:		
Health Association Fees		444.50
School District:		
Health Supervision		500.00
Rent of Town Buildings:		
Charles Sedgell	69.00	
Town Hall	35.00	

K of P Lodge No. 30	250.00	
Town Property Sold		
Town Histories	14.00	
Dishes	26.60	
Service Box	6.90	
		<hr/> 47.50
Geo. M. Stevens & Son Co.:		
Insurance on Graham House		108.35
State of New Hampshire:		
Probation Department	\$ 231.30	
Old Age Recovery	86.26	
Forest Fire Reimbursement	29.23	
Training Meeting	13.65	
Warden's Service	6.54	
Head Tax Reimbursement	22.59	
Interest & Dividends Tax	104.86	
Savings Bank Tax	105.80	
Railroad Tax	1,337.26	
		<hr/> 1,937.49
Refunds:		
Rupert Willey	\$ 2.20	
Parker Hicks & Sons	5.00	
Arline LaPointe	2.01	
Bernard C. Nugent	13.90	
Social Security (Library)	5.26	
Telephone Toll Calls	5.20	
		<hr/> 33.57
Fire Department		
Town of Bloomfield	\$ 284.00	
Town of Columbia	35.00	
		<hr/> 319.00
Farmers & Traders National & Savings Bank:		
Money borrowed in anticipation of taxes	\$12,000.00	
Note for Water Main	1,200.00	
Note for Water Main	1,500.00	
		<hr/> 14,700.00
Total Receipts		<hr/> \$87,384.14
Total Payments		<hr/> 71,287.71
BALANCE ON HAND Dec. 31, 1956		<hr/> \$16,096.43

Respectfully submitted,
 GRACE S. MARTIN,
 Treasurer

Detailed Statement of Payments

Town Officers' Salaries

Aaron E. Stevens, Selectman	\$ 300.00
Jessie C. Silsby, Selectman	300.00
George D. Keysar, Selectman	300.00
Grace S. Martin, Treasurer	100.00
Edna Fuller, Town Clerk	100.00
Edna Fuller, Issuing Auto Permits	245.00
Amy J. Blodgett, Clerk	480.00
Amy J. Blodgett, Tax Collector	450.87
Amy J. Blodgett, Head Tax Collector	76.65

\$ 2,352.52

Town Officers' Expenses

Branham Publishing Co., Auto Guide 56-57	\$ 8.00
Association of N. H. Assessors, Dues	3.00
Edson C. Eastman Co., Inc., Supplies	79.23
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	151.35
Lewis Marshall, Postage & Box Rent	28.15
Sargent Bros., Printing	29.45
Victor Bruno, Auditing	50.00
E. M. Williams, Auditing and Envelopes	57.06
Precision Equipment Co., Office File	28.45
George Keysar, Attending Tax Meeting & mileage	26.69
State of New Hampshire, Revised Statutes	36.88
Coos County Democrat, Printing Reports	161.00
Geo. M. Stevens & Son Co., Bonds	95.00
Amy J. Blodgett, Tax Sale Expense	41.80
Coos County Registry of Deeds, Transfers and Recording	28.61
Ida M. Horner, Tax Assn. Dues	3.00
Charles R. Hardy, Town Clerk's Assn. Dues	2.00
Eastern Standard Supply Co., Stapler	7.58
Jessie C. Silsby, Attending Tax and Assessors' Meetings	26.15
Amy J. Blodgett, Rent	240.00
Aaron E. Stevens, Attending Tax Meeting and Supplies	7.50
Edna Fuller, Expense and postage	13.00
Amy J. Blodgett, Attending Tax Meetings, Ex- press on File, Mileage & Office Expenses	94.21

\$ 1,218.11

Election and Registration

Walter L. Niles, Moderator 4 meetings	\$	60.00
Elmer Paradis, Police Duty		11.00
Service League, Meals Served		95.50
Ruth Barnett, Supervisor		24.00
Clara LaCasse, Supervisor		24.00
Lena J. Stinson, Supervisor		24.00
Lena Daigneault, Ballot Checker		24.00
Ruth Farnsworth, Ballot Checker		24.00
Hugh Johnson, Ballot Clerk		24.00
Pauline Hunt, Ballot Clerk		24.00
		<hr/>
	\$	334.50

Town Hall and Other Buildings

Neal Farnsworth, Table & Steel Cutout Cabinet	\$	47.00
Nugent Motor Co., Fuel Oil		1,359.30
Public Service Company, Electricity		141.14
Elmer Paradis, Janitor & Labor		370.00
Nugent's Plumbing & Heating, Repairing		36.18
George D. Keysar, Knives, Forks and Spoons		20.80
H. E. Savage & Son, repairs Graham House & Hall		148.00
Aaron E. Stevens, Supplies		30.57
R. E. York, Electrical Work		5.45
Colebrook Radio & Electrical Shop, Service Call		2.00
Roger Villa, Labor on Library Building		7.50
Arline LaPointe, Roofing and Supplies		7.96
Treffle Hebert, Sink and Installation		240.00
		<hr/>
	\$	2,415.90

Police Department

Elmer Paradis, Police Duty	\$	38.00
Geo. M. Stevens & Son Co., Bond		5.00
		<hr/>
	\$	43.00

Fire Department

Nugent Motor Company, Fuel Oil	\$	387.24
R. E. York, Electrical Work		32.43
H. E. Savage & Son, Labor and Materials		1,306.17
P. A. Hicks & Sons, Linoleum		3.90
Gorham Fire Equipment Co., Fire Equipment		97.12
Aaron E. Stevens, Supplies		98.05
Kenneth Gilcris, Welding & Labor on Pumper		19.20
Thomas Monahan, Attending Fire Meeting		9.80
Rupert Willey, Attending Fire Meeting,		
Repairing Tools & Payroll		138.64

Raymond Savage, Payroll	537.74
Treas., State of New Hampshire, Knapsack Pumps	43.20
Leo LaPointe, Supplies	5.95
Arline LaPointe, Supplies	1.91
Nugent's Plumbing & Heating, Labor & Materials	493.85
	<hr/>
	\$ 3,175.20

Insurance

Geo. M. Stevens & Son Co., Insurance on Buildings	\$ 889.08
---	-----------

Health Department

Delia B. Hapgood, Health Nurse	\$ 2,704.13
Transportation	498.85
Aaron E. Stevens, Supplies	67.29
Pauline Nugent, Substitute Nurse	131.20
Transportation	26.40
Anita Marshall, Substitute Nurse	368.83
Transportation	74.75
Roger Hunt, Health Officer	25.00
Express on Water Bottles & Expense	22.03
	<hr/>
	\$ 3,918.48

Vital Statistics

Edna Fuller, Recording	\$ 29.00
------------------------	----------

Sewer Maintenance

Alice Hutchins, Rent	\$ 200.00
Nugent's Plumbing & Heating, Labor and Materials	169.48
	<hr/>
	\$ 369.48

Town Dump and Garbage Removal

Irving Covell, Truck & Labor Hauling Gravel	\$ 65.00
---	----------

Town Maintenance

Summer:

Franklin Christie, Labor	\$ 38.00
Bert Stinson, Jr., Labor	10.50
Clyde Gray, Crushed Gravel, Trucking Cold Patch	155.50
Chemical Corp., Calcium Chloride & Freight	385.41
H. E. Savage & Son, Labor and Truck	59.69
N. H. Paving & Construction Co., Cold Patch	164.93
Fred Lehoux, Labor on Bog Road	4.50
Cecil Calden, Labor on Road	4.50
Kenneth Clark, Bulldozing	60.00
George Keysar, Mileage	17.15

Aaron Stevens, Supplies	12.79
Treas., State of N. H., Tarring	45.77
Nugent's Plumbing & Heating, Labor	4.00

\$ 962.74

Winter:

Alvin Daigneault, Sanding	\$ 82.75
Archie Portigue, Labor on Snow & Sanding	17.00
Joseph Portigue, Labor on Snow Fence	6.00
Leo LaPointe, Labor on Snow Fence, Plowing & Use of Truck	870.57
Gould's Service Station, Bulldozing Snow	227.50
Burl Howland, Sanding	3.75
Elmer Egan, Shoveling Snow & Putting up Snow Fence	29.75
George McMann, Truck Driver, Loader and Sand	39.60
Ralph Brooker, Trucking Snow Fence from Portland	50.00
W. H. Shurtleff Co., Snow Fence	327.60
Lesnick Building Supply, Wire	13.00
Treas., State of New Hampshire, State Labor	38.87

\$ 1,706.39

Town Road Aid

Treas., State of New Hampshire	\$ 110.37
--------------------------------	-----------

Street Lighting

Public Service Company	\$ 1,530.24
------------------------	-------------

General Expense of Highway Department

George D. Keysar, mileage & expense to Concord	\$ 22.79
Burritt H. Hinman, trip to Concord	6.00

\$ 28.79

Libraries

Aaron E. Stevens, supplies	\$.39
----------------------------	--------

Old Age Assistance

Treas., State of New Hampshire	\$ 1,567.87
--------------------------------	-------------

Town Poor

Mrs. Elroy Egan, Board & Care of Laythe Children	\$ 888.75
Jessie C. Silsby, Clothing for Laythe Children	91.06
Bailey's Department Store, Clothing	52.28
Arline LaPointe, Clothing and Medicine	41.54
Robert Cushing, Accident Insurance for Esther	

Laythe	1.25
Aaron E. Stevens	1.13
	<hr/>
	\$ 1,076.01
Memorial Day	
Loring, Short & Harmon, Flags	\$ 19.48
Veterans of Foreign Wars, No. Stratford Appropriation	50.00
Agnes Merriam, Stratford Hollow Appropriation	50.00
	<hr/>
	\$ 119.48
Soldiers' Aid	
Public Service Company, Electric Bill	\$ 15.82
Dr. J. W. Haines, Dental Work	16.00
	<hr/>
	\$ 31.82
Parks and Playgrounds	
Canadian National Railways, Fountain Site	\$ 6.00
John Drapeau, Care of Monument	5.00
Leo LaPointe, Stratford Hollow Skating Rink	50.00
Veterans of Foreign Wars, No. Stratford Skating Rink	50.00
	<hr/>
	\$ 111.00
Memorial Trust Fund	
Walter L. Niles, Treas., Stratford Hollow Share	\$ 50.00
Grace S. Martin, Treas., No. Stratford Share	50.00
	<hr/>
	\$ 100.00
Water Department	
Nugent's Plumbing & Heating, Labor & Materials	\$ 4,359.83
H. R. Prescott & Sons, Supplies	60.50
Chesley E. Robie, Balance due on Collecting	26.21
Aaron E. Stevens, Supplies	44.20
Frank Smith, Labor and trips to Reservoir	29.00
Amy J. Blodgett, Collecting Water Rent	100.00
Geo. M. Stevens & Son Co., Bond	7.50
	<hr/>
	\$ 4,627.24
Cemeteries	
Geo. M. Stevens & Son Co., Bonds	\$ 13.50
William Fuller, Labor	25.00
Murray Celley, Mowing Center Cemetery	80.00
	<hr/>
	\$ 118.50

Damages and Legal Expenses	
Burritt H. Hinman, Legal Services re Conn. River Bridge	\$ 500.00
Wheeler & Clark, Dog License Books and Tags	14.94
William Lehnert, Legal Service 1956	124.14
F. J. Harrigan, Making Quitclaim Deed	6.00
	<hr/>
	\$ 645.08
Taxes Bought By Town	
Amy J. Blodgett, Tax Collector	\$ 216.72
Advertising and Regional Associations	
White Mts. Region Assn.	\$ 103.93
Refunds	
Delia B. Hapgood, On Retirement Withheld	\$ 17.04
Retirement and Social Security	
Retirement	\$ 128.18
Social Security	591.75
	<hr/>
	\$ 719.93
Interest	
Robert P. Burroughs, Interest on Water Notes	\$ 137.50
First National Bank of Westboro, Water Bonds	55.00
Farmers & Traders National Bank, Interest on Temporary Loans	91.25
Farmers & Traders National Bank, Interest on Fire Station Note	14.50
	<hr/>
	\$ 298.25
Sidewalk Construction	
Harlan Wheeler, Labor on Sidewalk at Stratford Hollow	\$ 172.00
Leo Lapointe, Labor on Sidewalk at Stratford Hollow	118.00
Arline LaPointe, Supplies	54.48
Rupert Willey, Labor	5.00
Sam Duboid, Mixer and Gravel	10.00
	<hr/>
	\$359.48
Lands and Buildings	
Isabelle Stone, Land	\$ 50.00
Temporary Loans	
Farmers & Traders National Bank	\$12,000.00

Long Term Notes	
Farmers & Traders National Bank	2,200.00
Head Tax	
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire 1955—\$958.00, 1956—\$1,456.50	2,414.50
County Tax	
J. Arthur Sullivan, County Tax	\$ 2,890.75
School District	
Amy J. Blodgett, Treasurer	22,470.92
TOTAL PAYMENTS	<u>\$71,287.71</u>

Water Department Report

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1956

Unpaid Accounts 1955	\$2,065.88
Water Rent Billed 1956	3,659.22
	<hr/>
Total Amount Due	\$5,725.10
Less Vacancies 1956	118.97
	<hr/>
	\$5,606.13
Water Rent Collected 1956	3,910.16
	<hr/>
Balance Due	\$1,695.97

**AMY J. BLODGETT,
Collector.**

Public Health Nursing Report

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1956

Nursing Care Visits	738
Obstetrical (Home Deliveries)	4
Baby Care	68
Clinics—Polio 2, Dental 11	13
School	180
Welfare	445
<hr/>	
Total	1448

Fees Collected and deposited with Town Treasurer \$444.50

Respectfully submitted,
DELIA B. HAPGOOD, R. N.

Veterans' Memorial Fund

North Stratford Fund:

Balance December 31, 1955	\$ 664.53
Interest	16.76
Town Appropriation 1956	50.00

Balance Dec. 31, 1956 \$ 731.29

Deposited in Farmers & Traders National &
Savings Bank; Account No. 9432.

GRACE S. MARTIN, Treas.

Stratford Hollow Fund:

Balance December 31, 1955	\$ 766.28
Interest	14.39
Town Appropriation 1956	50.00

Balance Dec. 31, 1956 \$ 831.17

Deposited in Peoples National Bank,
Account No. 2816.

WALTER L. NILES, Treas.

Rollin Baldwin Trust Fund

Balance on Hand December 31, 1955		\$ 832.30
Dividends January 10		219.81
Dividends July 10		219.33
Refund		15.00
		\$1,286.44
Payments to Elderly Needy During Year	\$120.00	
Deposited in Colebrook Guaranty Savings Bank; Account No. 16312	900.00	1,020.00
Balance in Checking Acct. Jan. 1, 1957		\$ 266.44

Statement of Bonded Debt

December 31, 1956

Water Notes 1938 2½%

Original Amount \$23,000.00

Maturities

1957	Annual Maturity	\$1000.00	Interest	\$165.00
1958	Annual Maturity	1000.00	Interest	137.50
1959	Annual Maturity	1000.00	Interest	110.00
1960	Annual Maturity	1000.00	Interest	82.50
1961	Annual Maturity	1000.00	Interest	55.00
1962	Annual Maturity	1000.00	Interest	27.50

Total Amount Due	\$6,000.00
------------------	------------

Library Report

NORTH STRATFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1956

Receipts

1956		
Jan. 1	Carry over of cash from 1954 (not previously added)	\$ 10.00
	Brought forward	566.63
June 22	Grace Martin—1 book	2.10
Dec. 31	Cash on refund for Trustees Social Security	1.10
	Rent 12 months @ \$2.00 (Rec'd monthly)	24.00
	Total Receipts	\$603.83
	Less: Total Expenditures	493.52
		\$110.31
	Cash on Hand	\$110.31
	Bank Balance	103.15
		\$ 7.16
	Petty Cash on Hand	\$ 7.16

Expenditures

1956		
Mar. 3	Ralph J. Emerson, lock set, L. Johnson library, del. R. Niles	\$ 6.85
29	Campbell Hall, 1 book, No. Stratford Lib.	1.62
	Public Service N. H., lights, Jan., Feb., Mar.	39.32
30	Grace A. Taylor (36.00plus \$10.00) cleaning, etc.)	46.00
Apr. 30	Gaylord Bros., Inc.—tape	2.30
May 16	Campbell Hall, 13 books, L. Johnson Lib., 1 book Grace Martin	29.47
June 28	Public Service N. H., lights, April, May June	18.14
30	Grace A. Taylor—Apr., May, June	36.00
Sept. 6	Campbell Hall, 2 books, L. Johnson Library	4.06
7	Martin & Murray Co., Inc., 5 Nature books, No. Stratford Library	38.25
30	Grace A. Taylor—July, Aug., Sept.	36.00
Oct. 19	Ruby Sargent, papering, L. Johnson Lib.	15.00
Nov. 15	Public Service N. H., lights, July, Aug., Sept., Oct.	10.09
	A. E. Stevens—toilet tissue & light bulbs, No. Stratford Library	1.50

Dec. 7	H. E. Savage & Son—lock & installation, No. Stratford Library	7.64
13	Rose Niles, trustee	10.00
	Flora Stevens, trustee	25.00
	Mary C. Nugent, trustee	10.00
14	Frederick S. Jordan, janitor service	10.00
30	Campbell Hall, 12 books, L. Johnson Lib., 12 books, No. S. Library	43.47
	Public Service N. H., lights—Nov. & Dec.	10.59
	Grace A. Taylor—salary \$90.00 less 2% Soc. Security (\$4.16)	85.84
31	Town of Stratford, Grace Martin, Treas., Social Security	5.26
	Postage and envelopes	.50
	Service Charge	.62
	Total Expenditures	\$493.52

LAURA JOHNSON LIBRARY 1956

Receipts:

Town Appropriation	\$125.00
Rent from Building	144.00
	<hr/>
	\$269.00

Expenditures:

Librarian (in rent)	\$120.00
Books	50.16
Repairs	21.85
	<hr/>
	\$192.01

JOHN I. CROWN LIBRARY TRUST FUND

Established in 1927	\$500.00
Accumulated Interest since 1945	150.53
	<hr/>
	\$650.53

Deposited in Siwooganock Guaranty Savings
Bank, Account No. 9268

**DIVISION OF MUNICIPAL ACCOUNTING
STATE TAX COMMISSION
Concord, New Hampshire**

February 12, 1957

CERTIFICATE OF AUDIT

This is to certify that we have examined and audited the accounts and records of the Town of Stratford for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1956, and found them to be in good order. In our opinion, the Exhibits included herewith reflect the true financial condition of the Town of Stratford on December 31, 1956, and the results of operations for the fiscal year ended on that date.

Respectfully submitted,

**HAROLD G. FOWLER,
Director**

**Division of Municipal Accounting
State Tax Commission**

**Norval D. Lessels, Auditor
Hugh J. Cassidy, Accountant**

**REPORT OF THE
SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF THE
TOWN OF STRATFORD
NEW HAMPSHIRE
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
ENDING JUNE 30, 1956**

School Warrant

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in the village of North Stratford, in said district, on Monday, the 11th day of March, 1957, at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening, 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 choose an Auditor for the ensuing year.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or other Officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To see what sum of money the district will raise of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriations 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.
8. To transact any other business that may lawfully come before said meeting.

Given under our hand at said Stratford this 22nd day of February, 1957.

AGNES MERRIAM,
ALICE RUCH,
MARGARET SALLS,
School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

AGNES MERRIAM,
ALICE RUCH,
MARGARET SALLS,
School Board

* * * * *

Motion: Moved that the school district raise and appropriate \$ and to authorize

and direct the school board to apply against said appropriation such income as is estimated by the school board exclusive of state aid, and upon the determination of the amount of state aid to be received by the school district during the next fiscal year, to authorize and direct the school board to apply against such appropriation the sum to be received from the state aid and with the school district clerk certify to the selectmen, the balance as an assessment to be raised by the town for school purposes.

(Suggested motion to follow for Article 7)

* * * * *

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD Organization

	Term Expires
Mrs. Agnes Merriam, Chairman	1957
Mrs. Alice Ruch	1958
Mrs. Margaret Salls	1959
Treasurer, Mrs. Amy Blodgett	
Clerk, Mrs. Edna Fuller	
Truant Officer, Mr. Harlan McMann	
Auditor, Mr. Everett Williams	
Moderator, Rev. Forrest K. Emerson	
Supt. of Schools, Mr. Howard D. Fowlie	

Board meetings are called by the Chairman.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1956 Summary

Cash on hand July 1, 1955		\$	3.30
Received from Selectmen:			
Current Appropriation	\$19,670.92		
Deficiency Appropriation	4,000.00		
Received from State Treasurer:			
State Aid	38,038.72		
Federal Aid—School Lunch	999.89		
Received from Tuitions	5,996.60		
Received from all Other Sources:			
School Lunch Sales	5,198.83		

Other	127.92	
	<hr/>	74,032.88
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year		\$74,036.18
Less School Board Orders Paid		74,009.85
		<hr/>
Balance on hand June 30, 1956		\$ 26.33

AMY J. BLODGETT,
District Treasurer

June 30, 1956

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

1955		
July 1	Balance on hand	\$ 3.30
	Selectmen, Taxation	23,670.92
	Receipts from sale of hot lunches	5,198.83
	State Treas., School lunch reimbursement	999.89
Sept. 21	State Treasurer, State Aid	38,038.72
Nov. 21	Sawyer Fuel Corp., refund—discount on coal	3.12
1956		
Jan. 4	Town of Stratford, refund on road repairs	56.00
19	Robert C. Cushing, Transporting Basketball Players	17.50
Feb. 3	Robert C. Cushing, Basketball trips	15.00
3	Town of Bloomfield, tuition	1,000.00
7	Town of Brunswick, tuition	812.50
15	Town of Columbia, tuition	125.00
Mar. 2	Stratford High School, Transporting basketball players	12.50
Apr. 21	State of Vermont, tuition	150.13
May 9	No. Stratford P.T.A., Expense on play	7.45
9	Sacred Heart Parish, Expense on play	7.45
22	Brunswick School District, tuition	812.50
June 6	State of Vermont, tuition	99.87
14	Erastus Blodgett, sale of old vacuum cleaner	5.00
14	Town of Maidstone, tuition	1,927.10
14	Town of Columbia, tuition	125.00
22	Town of Bloomfield, tuition	944.50
30	Ralph J. Emerson, refund	3.90
	Total Receipts During Year	<hr/> \$74,036.18

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Stratford, N. H. of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1956 and find them correct in all respects.

EVERETT M. WILLIAMS,
Auditor

August 14, 1956

FINANCIAL REPORT For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1956 Receipts

Federal Aid:	
National School Lunch	\$ 999.89
Total	\$ 999.89
State Aid:	
Foundation Aid	38,038.72
Total	38,038.72
Local Taxation:	
Current Appropriation	19,670.92
Deficit Appropriation	4,000.00
Total	23,670.92
Other Sources:	
Elementary School Tuitions	2,697.95
Secondary School Tuitions	3,298.65
Other Receipts	5,326.75
Total	11,323.35
Total receipts from all sources	\$74,032.88
Cash on hand beginning of year, July 1, 1955	3.30
Grand Total	\$74,036.18

PAYMENTS

	Total Amount	High School	Elem. School
Administration			
Salaries of dist. officers	\$ 305.00	\$ 82.35	\$ 222.65
Supt.'s salary (local share)	693.38	187.21	506.17
Tax for state wide supervision	544.00	140.00	404.00

Sal. of other adm. personnel	619.58	167.29	452.29
Supplies and expenses	911.69	246.16	665.53
Instruction:			
Teachers salaries	39,762.32	14,674.37	25,087.95
Books & other instruc. aids	1,037.74	515.29	522.45
Scholars' supplies	2,230.28	420.90	1,809.38
Supplies & others expenses	499.56	380.27	119.29
Operation of School Plant:			
Salaries of custodians	1,510.00	505.00	1,005.00
Fuel	2,396.65	651.53	1,745.12
Water, light, supplies & exp.	1,613.75	447.80	1,165.95
Maintenance of School Plant:			
Repairs & replacements	2,314.73	811.63	1,503.10
Auxiliary Activities:			
Health supervision	600.00	180.00	420.00
Transportation	6,295.00	2,040.00	4,255.00
Special Activities & special funds	409.21	100.00	309.21
School Lunch Program	6,198.72	2,066.24	4,132.48
Fixed Charges:			
Retirement	2,568.87	856.29	1,712.58
Insurance	828.42	276.14	552.28
Capital Outlay:			
New Equipment	2,366.46	894.42	1,472.04
Debt and Interest:			
Principal of Debt*	295.15		
Interest on Debt**	9.34		
<hr/>			
Total payments for all purposes	\$74,009.85	\$25,642.89	\$48,062.47
Total cash on hand at end of year, June 30, 1956	26.33		
Grand Total	\$74,036.18		
(*Principal of debt \$295.15; **Interest on debt \$9.34— Total \$304.49, under General Expenses).			

**DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
1955-1956**

Salaries of District Officers

Margaret Salls, school board salary	\$ 75.00
Agnes Merriam, school board salary	60.00
Alice Ruch, school board salary	60.00
Amy Blodgett, treasurer	75.00

Everett Williams, auditor	20.00	
Edna Fuller, Clerk	5.00	
Forrest K. Emerson, moderator	10.00	
		————— \$ 305.06

Superintendent's Salary—

Local Share

Supervisory Union, No. 58		\$ 693.38
---------------------------	--	-----------

Tax for State Wide Supervision

Treasurer, State of New Hampshire		\$ 544.00
-----------------------------------	--	-----------

**Salaries of Other Administrative
Personnel**

Supervisory Union, No. 58, Secretary	\$ 580.50	
Agnes Merriam, census	20.00	
Harlan McMann, truant officer	19.08	
		————— \$ 619.58

Supplies and Expenses

New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	\$ 206.75	
Howard D. Fowlie	99.70	
Diamond Union Stamp Co.	5.39	
Supervisory Union, No. 58	434.63	
Edson C. Eastman Co.	10.45	
Coos County Democrat	100.00	
J. L. Hammett Co.	4.36	
Dana M. Cotton	25.00	
Essex County Herald	9.91	
Stratford High School Activities	15.50	
		————— \$ 911.69

Teachers' Salaries

Robert Cushing	\$4,300.00	
Frank Drisko	3,100.00	
Nathalie Fuller	2,800.00	
Bertha Greenwood	2,800.00	
Carlton W. Holmes	2,800.00	
Harold Lary	3,100.00	
Grace Martin	2,850.00	
Jessie McMann	2,458.36	
Mary C. Nugent	2,900.00	
Linwood Peck	640.00	
Irvin W. Pendleton	3,200.00	
Doris Ramsay	2,700.00	
Victorine Stuart	2,388.96	
Clara Wesson	2,700.00	
Summer School	435.00	
Substitutes	590.00	
		————— \$39,762.32

Books & Other Instructional Aids

Arlo Publishing Co.	\$ 33.76
Doubleday & Co.	92.49
Scott, Foresman & Co.	165.90
McCormick Mathers Co.	37.00
Allyn & Bacon	55.70
Boston Music Co.	8.70
Loring, Short & Harmon	7.88
South Western Publishing Co.	40.24
Life	9.95
McGraw Hill Book Co.	15.18
D. C. Heath Co.	26.50
American Book Co.	107.92
Follett Publishing Co.	55.30
World Book Co.	56.56
J. B. Lippincott	16.51
MacMillan Co.	39.96
Ginn & Co.	91.36
National Science Teachers Assn.	4.00
Webster Publishing Co.	30.58
F. E. Compton & Co.	3.75
Paul K. Blanchard	22.50
American Historical Co.	58.50
James E. Davidson	57.50
	————— \$ 1,037.74

Scholars' Supplies

Aaron E. Stevens	\$ 21.39
Kee Lox Mfg. Co.	5.00
California Test Bureau	62.09
Scott, Foresman & Co.	222.49
Milton Bradley Co.	6.94
Beckley-Cardy Co.	81.70
McCormick Mathers Co.	81.54
American Book Co.	98.63
Lyons & Carnahan Co.	20.66
Houghton Mifflin Co.	190.87
H. S. Kinsman Co.	63.55
John C. Winston Co.	20.02
James E. Davidson	14.17
The Art Centre	78.70
Silver Burdette Co.	19.13
Benton Review Publishing Co.	44.97
J. L. Hammett Co.	216.10
Consumer Reports	5.00
Science News Letter	4.50

U. S. News & World Report	5.00
Northumberland School District	627.80
Styles Drug Store	21.55
A. N. Palmer Co.	4.65
J. E. Davidson Co.	78.20
Allyn & Bacon	4.29
Ginn & Co.	16.00
American Education Publications	128.35
Master Products Co.	11.38
Essex County Herald	56.11
Loring, Short & Harmon	2.70
South Western Publishing Co.	6.30
Sports	10.50
	————— \$ 2,230.28

Supplies and Other Expenses

Essex County Herald	\$ 63.51
Martin & Murray Co.	111.75
University of N. H.	1.05
F. E. Compton & Co.	96.84
Howard D. Fowlie	156.61
Civic Education Service	12.60
Graubard's Inc.	7.54
J. L. Hammett Co.	32.08
Aaron E. Stevens	17.58
	————— \$ 499.56

Salaries of Janitors

John Drapeau	\$1,010.00
Erastus Blodgett	500.00
	————— \$ 1,510.00

Fuel

Hurlbutt's Fuel Service	\$ 421.54
Wilbur Raynolds	105.00
Sawyer Fuel Corp.	202.08
Canadian National Railway	555.80
Elias Lyman Coal Co.	877.23
E. J. Normandeau	235.00
	————— \$ 2,396.65

Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses

Public Service Co. of N. H.	\$1,175.72
Stratford Water Dept.	125.25
Bob's Market	7.34
Northumberland School District	219.60
R. E. York	77.08

Aaron E. Stevens	8.76	
		\$ 1,613.75

Repairs and Replacements

Erastus Blodgett	\$ 99.47	
Majorie Bedard	157.50	
Ora Howland	156.50	
David Goodwin	25.00	
Harley Gadwah	75.50	
Donald Fluery	166.66	
Alberta Hibbard	10.00	
James L. Emery	198.50	
R. E. York	26.44	
Aaron E. Stevens	69.49	
C. B. Dolge Co.	243.07	
Beckley Cardy	85.21	
Caledonia Typewriter Co.	49.70	
H. E. Savage & Son	12.62	
Town of Stratford	56.00	
Ralph J. Emerson	102.21	
Hurlbutt's Fuel Service	27.50	
Nugent's Plumbing & Heating	59.86	
N. D. Farnsworth	454.65	
Stewart A. Frizzell	20.00	
Treasurer, State of New Hampshire	210.90	
Hagar Hardware & Paint	5.00	
Northumberland School District	2.95	
		\$ 2,314.73

Health Supervision

Town of Stratford	\$ 500.00	
W. H. Gifford, M. D.	100.00	
		\$ 600.00

Transportation

Loyal P. Brown	\$2,500.00	
Leo Normandeau	750.00	
Harlan McMann	3,000.00	
Deane Mills	45.00	
		\$ 6,295.00

**Special Activities and
Special Funds**

James L. Emery	\$ 99.88	
J. L. Hammett Co.	9.33	
Stratford High School Activities	300.00	
		\$ 409.21

Retirement

N. H. Teachers' Retirement System	\$2,424.51
-----------------------------------	------------

Supervisory Union No. 58 (Supt's. Retirement)	59.13	
N. H. State Employees' Retirement System	85.23	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,568.87
Insurance		
Geo. M. Stevens & Son Co.		\$ 828.42
New Equipment		
Royal Typewriter Co. .	\$ 200.00	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	1,398.78	
Nugent's Plumbing & Heating	247.92	
Electrolux Corp.	139.50	
Paris Mfg. Co.	64.41	
Beacon Musical Instrument Co.	83.20	
R. S. Sawyer Co.	43.74	
J. L. Hammett Co.	176.31	
Loring, Short & Harmon	4.90	
Northumberland School District	7.70	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,366.46
Principal on Debt		
Farmers & Traders National Bank		\$ 295.15
Interest on Debt		
Farmers & Traders National Bank		\$ 9.34
School Lunch		
North Stratford Hot Lunch Fund (Lunch Sales)	\$5,198.83	
(Federal Reimbursement)	999.89	
	<hr/>	\$ 6,198.72
Total Payments For All Purposes, 1955-56		<hr/> \$74,009.85

BALANCE SHEET

Assets, June 30, 1956	
Cash on Hand	\$26.33
	<hr/>
Total Assets	\$26.33
Net Debt (Excess of liabilities over assets)	0.00
	<hr/>
Grand Total	\$26.33
Liabilities, June 30, 1956	0.00
Surplus (Excess of assets over liabilities)	26.33
	<hr/>
Grand Total	.. \$26.33

**COMPARATIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND BUDGET**

Summary	Expend. for 1955-56	Estim. for 1956-57	Budget for 1957-58
Administration:			
Salaries of dist. officers	\$ 305.00	\$ 335.00	\$ 335.00
Supt.'s salary (local share)	693.38*	625.65	733.82
Tax for state wide supervision	544.00	544.00	544.00
Sal. of other adm. personnel	619.58	558.80	626.00
Supplies and expenses	911.69	720.14	869.77
Instruction:			
Teachers' salaries	39,762.32	41,170.00	43,670.00
Books & other instructional aids	1,037.74	1,100.00	1,100.00
Scholars' supplies	2,230.28	1,300.00	1,500.00
Supplies & other expenses	499.56	400.00	400.00
Operation of School Plant:			
Salaries of janitors	1,510.00	1,800.00	2,600.00
Fuel	2,396.65	2,000.00	2,500.00
Water, light, supplies & expenses	1,613.75	1,500.00	1,700.00
Maintenance of School Plant:			
Repairs & replacements	2,314.73	2,200.00	3,200.00
Auxiliary Activities:			
Health Supervision	600.00	625.00	625.00
Transportation	6,295.00	6,450.00	5,500.00
Tuition			1,500.00
Special activities & spec. funds	409.21	1,180.00	1,180.00
Fixed Charges:			
Retirement	2,568.87	3,146.00	3,500.00
Insurance, treas. bonds and expense	828.42	1,100.00	1,100.00
Capital Outlay:			
New equipment	2,366.46	1,950.00	1,950.00
Debt and Interest:			
Deficit Appropriation	304.49	4,000.00	
<hr/>			
Total Payments			
for All Purposes	\$67,811.13	\$72,704.59	\$75,133.59
Federal Lunch	6,198.72		
	<hr/>		
	\$74,009.85		

Receipts

Cash on hand	\$ 3.30	\$ 26.33	\$ 0
Town Appropriation	19,670.92	26,655.87	29,084.87
State Aid	38,038.72	41,048.72	41,048.72
Deficit Appropriation	4,000.00		
Tuition	5,996.60	5,000.00	5,000.00
Other Receipts	127.92		
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
Total amount available for the year	\$67,837.46	\$72,730.92	\$75,133.59
Federal Aid, School Lunch	999.89		
School Lunch Receipts	5,198.83		
	<hr/>		
	\$74,036.18		
*Supertintendent's salary	\$6,475.00		
Paid by Stratford	\$ 693.38		

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

1956-1957

To the School Board and Citizens of Stratford:

In the several years that I have compiled the school reports for the School District of Stratford there has been no time when the financial and educational affairs of the district seemed to in better form than at present. At the last annual meeting an adequate if not liberal budget was appropriated making it possible to provide experienced and well trained teachers and to purchase needed books and supplies.

The planned program of repairs was carried forward to embrace complete renovation and painting two rooms at the high school building and a new pumping outfit and repair of toilet facilities at the Hollow School. The driveway to the high school building has been resurfaced and the concrete area around the building has been refaced in part. Sufficient furniture to complete the main room and an additional teacher's desk have been purchased and installed. Plans are included in the new budget to continue this repair program until the buildings and grounds are being properly maintained.

The educational program is being examined and revised in accord with studies being made by the State Board of Education. It is planned to add required subjects to the courses now offered so that the high school will have all recommended subjects except shop and home economics. Every effort is being made to offer music to all grades.

At the expiration of the McMann conveyance contract in June, 1956, the Stratford Hollow Route was put up for bid. The only bid received was in the amount of \$5,500.00. The Board rejected the bid and entered a contract with a bus rental service by which the same route will cost approximately \$4,000.00. Full benefit of this arrangement will not come until the school year 1957-1958 at which time the L. P. Brown contract will have been completed.

The High School Activities Organization under the leadership of Principal Cushing and the Student Council has assumed the responsibility of having showers installed at the town hall and are paying for them out of Activities funds. These funds represent the earnings of the group through their sale of tickets, season tickets, and contributions of individual classes, or other activities. The Principal and his school should be given a great deal of credit for this material and permanent contribution to the usefulness of the town

hall. It is suggested that every visitor to the building during School District meeting or Town meeting should inspect the new facilities.

The P. T. A. has continued its interest in the affairs of the school and has been helpful in the dental clinic and music program particularly. They have promoted the purchase of new instruments and music stands. The organization provides two scholarships to deserving students who are attending teachers college.

In addition to the above the Stratford Alumni Association provides an annual scholarship to a student at college level.

As a part of this report the statistical and financial data required by the statutes are included. Particular attention is called to the financial statement in the budget. It will be noted that of the \$72,730.92 appropriated by the district at the last annual meeting \$41,048.72 has been received from the State School Fund and at least \$5,000.00 will be received from tuition. Only \$26,655.87 was assessed on the local taxpayers. This makes it possible for Stratford to have excellent schools for its children at a local cost that is markedly below the average for the State as a whole. Under these conditions it is the earnest desire of the School Board to get the salaries of teachers at an adequate level, the teaching material and supplies in favorable inventory, and the building and grounds in good repair against the day when these outside sources of revenue may be lessened.

In general the children in school seem to be benefiting by the forward looking program which is being offered. Test results tend to show a marked improvement. There is much still left to be accomplished but the Board feels that definite progress is being made. It is with a great deal of pleasure that I bring you this optimistic report.

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD D. FOWLIE,
Superintendent of Schools

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
High School*								41	12	18	19		90
Junior High*							29	15					44
Doris Ramsay	25												25
Jessie McMann		25											25
Grace Martin			21	9									30
Clara E. Wesson				13	19								32
Bertha W. Greenwood					6	25							31
Zitelka Dupuis				7	8	7							22
Nathalie Fuller	7	10	9										26
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	32	35	30	29	33	32	29	15	41	12	18	19	325

*At 7th Grade and above school work is departmentalized so that no that no student's class time is identified with any single teacher.

- Robert Cushing, Principal
- Katherine Dickson
- Frank Drisko
- Carlton Holmes
- Mary C. Nugent
- Irvin W. Pendleton

- Mathematics
- English
- French, Science
- Business
- History, Geography
- Social Studies

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1956-1957

First Term (72 days)

September 5, Wednesday, School Opens
November 21, Wednesday, one session
November 22, 23, Thanksgiving Recess
December 19, Wednesday, School Closes

Second Term (33 days)

January 2, Wednesday, School Opens
February 15, Friday, School Closes

Third Term (40 days)

February 25, Monday, School Opens
April 19, Friday, School Closes

Fourth Term (35 days)

April 29, Monday, School Opens
May 30, Thursday, Memorial Day Observance
June 14, Friday, School Closes

Graduation — June 13, 1957

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1957-1958

First Term (76 days)

September 4, Wednesday, School Opens
November 27, Wednesday, one session
November 28, 29, Thanksgiving Recess
December 20, Friday, School Closes

Second Term (35 days)

January 6, Monday, School Opens
February 21, Friday, School Closes

Third Term (35 days)

March 3, Monday, School Opens
April 18, Friday, School Closes

Fourth Term (35 days)

April 28, Monday, School Opens
May 30, Friday, Memorial Day Observance
June 13, Friday, School Closes

SCHOOL YEAR—180 DAYS

Graduation — June 12, 1958

VITAL STATISTICS
FOR THE TOWN OF
STRATFORD, N. H.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Stratford, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1956

Date of Marriage	Name of Groom and Bride	Age of Each	Residence of Each	Birthplace of Each	Name of Parents
1956					
Sept. 25	Glen Allin Joan Frenette	23 22	Stratford Jefferson	Groveton Pittsfield	Horatio N. Allin Clayton Frenette, Sr.
Sept. 28	Carroll Allin Marlene Bean	18 18	Stratford Groveton	Groveton Groveton	Horatio Allin Alcide Bean
June 16	Harry Brown Beverly Carver	24 21	Stratford Groveton	Stratford Lancaster	Earl Brown Edwin Carver
May 5	Charles Babcock Neddene King	23 23	E. St. Johnsbury, Vt. No. Stratford	E. St. Johnsbury, Vt. Stratford	Charles Babcock William King
Oct. 27	Ronald Bringhurst Beverly Bondeau	23 18	Whitefield No. Stratford	Woodsville Guildhall, Vt.	Bert Bringhurst William Robinson
Oct. 6	Bradley Bondeau Muriel LaCasse	20 18	Stratford No. Stratford	Stratford Stratford	Maxie Bondeau Real LaCasse
Feb. 11	William Doolan Sylvia Gilcris	19 18	No. Stratford Lancaster	East Burke, Vt. Lancaster	David Doolan Kenneth Gilcris
Oct. 13	Armand King Lucille Hook	28 19	No. Stratford Brunswick, Vt.	Stratford Colebrook	William King Grant Hook
Aug. 4	Irving Lyndes, Jr. Marilla Parks	16 16	No. Stratford Northumberland	No. Stratford Stark	Irving Lyndes, Sr. John Parks
June 30	Bruce Moore Priscilla Robie	23 25	Colebrook No. Stratford	Lancaster No. Stratford	William Moore Ezra Robie
Nov. 3	Lloyd Parker Eileen Purrington	20 18	No. Stratford Colebrook	W. Stewartown Colebrook	Earl Parker Willmer Purrington
Apr. 1	Albert Riff Mary Riff	30 25	No. Stratford Stratford	No. Stratford Stratford	Herbert Riff Verne Whiting
Feb. 18	John Styles Ruth Reed	26 20	Northumberland Stratford	N. H. N. H.	William Styles Wilfred Reed
Oct. 12	Stanley Willey Joan Glidden	19 18	Stratford Stratford	Stratford New London	Rupert Willey Roland Glidden
					Mildred E. Noyes Viola Zanes Mildred Noyes Alida Nailer Albertina Mason Helen McCormack Julia Longmore Carmen Dupuis Clara Gordon Arlene James Ruth Christie Chara Bryan Sarah McHarg Antoinette Demaris Carmen Dupuis Mildred Jeffers Laura Riff Leatha Gibson Helen Grapes Lena Melville Annie Ricker Rachel Clark Mary McCue Violet Smith Nellie Bruce Christine McManis Kathleen Blodgett Martha Eddy

Births Registered in the Town of Stratford, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1956

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Sex and Condition	Name of Father	Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Feb. 25	Timothy Al	M L 4	Ralph Blodgett	Eileen Fluey	Columbia	Stratford
May 14	Robert Baraw	M L 7	Charles Baraw	Berdina Gibney	Vermont	Vermont
Oct. 12	Phyllis Rose	F L 4	Koyal Blay	Lula Bolduc	No. Stratford	East Concord, Vt.
Dec. 24	Arlene Elizabeth	F L 7	Murray Colley	Daisy Chase	Woodbury, Vt.	Brownington, Vt.
Feb. 29	Timothy John	M L 14	Holman Dowse	Phyllis Reed	N. H.	Vermont
Dec. 10	Roberta Jean	F L 7	Richard Davenport	Corra Scott	Madrid, Me.	W. Stewartstown
Dec. 20	Leona Mae	F L 2	Ronald Dingman	Roberta Langley	W. Stewartstown	Jay, Vt.
Dec. 4	Debra Eva	F L 4	Benjamin Frizzell	Arlene Kingston	Colebrook	Groveton
Mar. 26	Randi Jo	F L 1	Robert Gallant	Helen Daley	N. H.	N. H.
June 28	Earl William	M L 1	Bernard Goodrum	Ethel Mills	N. H.	N. H.
Nov. 13	Pamela Jean	F L 2	Francis Guay	Gloria Flynn	Norton Mills, Vt.	Lancaster
Apr. 11	Kate Frances	F L 2	Carlton Holmes	Barbara Stevens	Gorham	Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
Jan. 18	David Brian	M L 4	Joseph Lewis	Elsie Stevens	Canada	Bloomfield, Vt.
Feb. 24	Hal Armand	M L 1	Lawrence LaPointe	Joan McMan	Bloomfield, Vt.	Stratford
June 19	Terry Marion	F L 2	Camille Lizotte	Marion Corliss	Rumney	Island Pond, Vt.
Apr. 15	Sandra Jane	F L 5	Francis Marshall	Anita Bergeron	Vermont	Vermont
Nov. 21	Rita Juliette	F L 3	Alfred Martineau	Laure Baillaigron	Canada	Canada
July 25	George David	M L 1	John Roberts, Jr.	Norma Robie	N. H.	N. H.
Oct. 25	Matthew Harold	M L 5	Harold Rich	Kyra Gladden	N. H.	Canada
Jan. 19	Melody Jayne	F L 1	Derick Salls	Rita Poulin	Madrid, Me.	Canada
June 11	Leonard William	M L 2	Donald Sheltry	Pearl Corliss	Vermont	Maine
Sept. 21	Edwin Irwin	M L 3	Stewart Stantton	Rachel Parker	Groveton	Island Pond, Vt.
Oct. 16	Stewart Lincoln	M L 2	Richard Sweett	Myra Ball	Columbia	W. Stewartstown
Nov. 13	James Joseph	M L 2	John Stevens	Theresa Bouthellier	Columbia	East Concord, Vt.
Jan. 13	Shirley Rita	F L 8	Richard Tetreault	Frances Poulin	Nova Scotia	Lincoln
May 21	Roger Gene	M L 2	Louis Whiting	Waver Sanborn	N. H.	Maine
Dec. 23	Florence Evelyn	F L 6	Milton Newton	Evelyn Wilbur	Dalton	No. Stratford
					Jefferson	East Wilton, Me.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Stratford, N. H. for the Year Ending December 31, 1956

Date of Death	Name	Age		M	D	Birthplace	Widowed-Single		Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
		Y	M				Married	W		
1956										
Jan. 31	Hormidas Bernier	58	11	2	Fall River, Mass.				Cyrille Bernier	Angelique Lizotte
June 16	Alphonse Bergeron	66			Bloomfield, Vt.				Alphonse Bergeron	Amelia St. Pierre
Dec. 1	Ernest Bean	72			Maidstone, Vt.				George Bean	Katie Sweet
Oct. 2	Lillian Curtis	88			Holland, Vt.				Joseph Armstrong	Auria Washburn
Mar. 9	Harrlette Hinman	77			Stratford, N. H.				Havilah Hinman	Kate Barrett
Oct. 23	Elwin Hapgood	78			Stratford, N. H.				Calvin Hapgood	Elizabeth Barnett
Jan. 20	Murray Mosher	50			Port George, N. S.				George Mosher	May
Apr. 1	Nora McMann	71			Stratford, N. H.				Ed Jordan	Isabella Peck
Aug. 8	Elsie Patnaude	61			Canada				Ed Durborn	Rosie Durborn
Apr. 9	Amy Richardson	67			Bloomfield, Vt.				Orin Lurvey	Clara Scott
Apr. 1	Mary Swift	65			Stratford, N. H.				Charles McMann	Lucinda Stone
Dec. 29	Maude Beecher	82			Colebrook, N. H.				Alvin Lovering	Clarisse Carter

