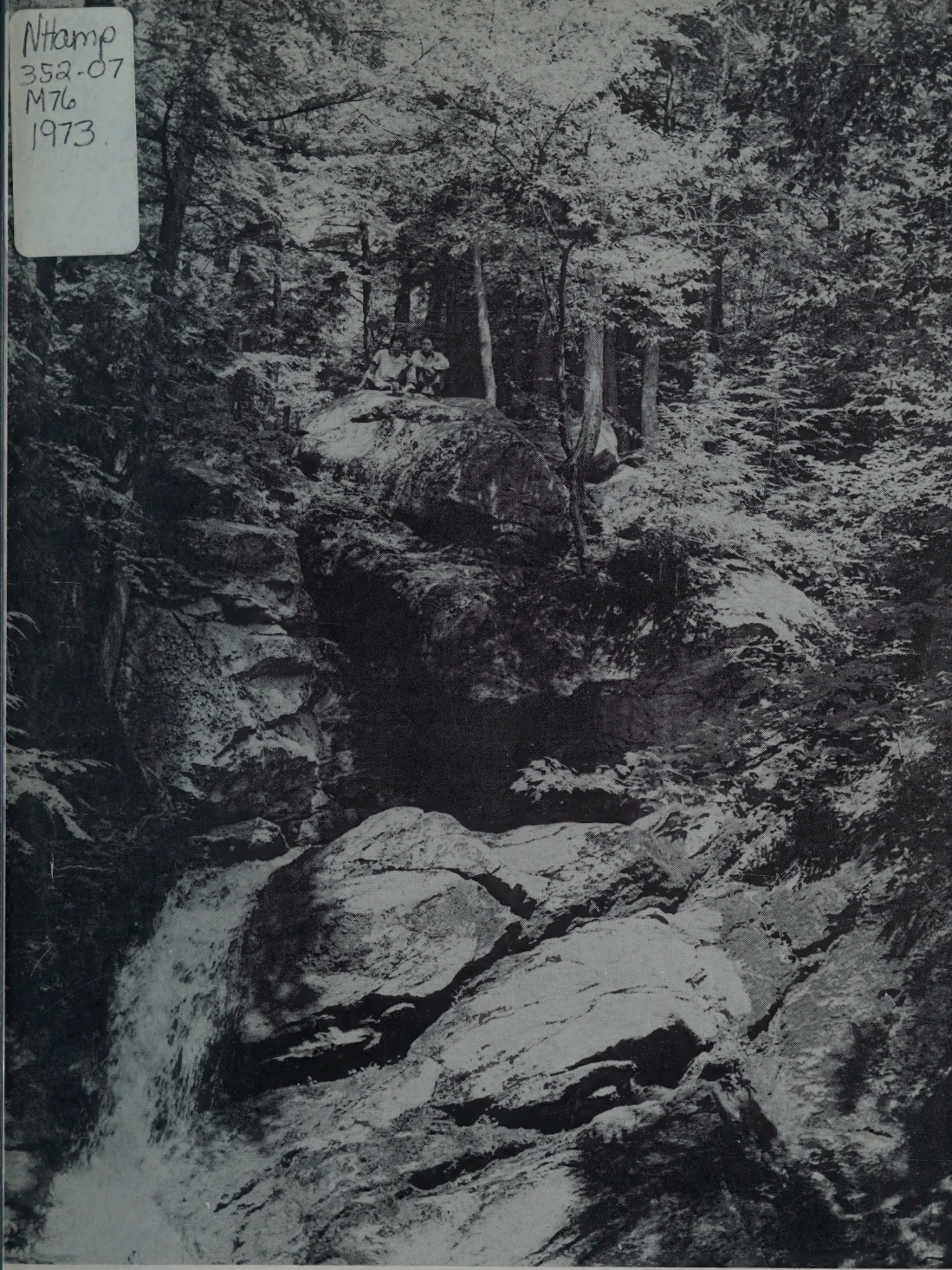


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Purgatory Falls

**MONT VERNON, N. H.**  
Town and School Reports — 1973



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*of the*

Town Officers

*of*

Mont Vernon, N. H.

*for the*

*Year Ending December 31, 1973*

*Also*

Officers of School District

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## About the Cover Picture

"Purgatory," a rocky gorge two miles west of Mont Vernon, forms part of the boundary line between Mont Vernon and Lyndeborough. A deep ravine, more than a half a mile in length, plunges perpendicularly about fifty feet into a deep chasm. In addition to its "Upper" and "Lower" Falls, there are also the "Devil's Beanpot," the "Devil's Den," the "Old Boy's Face" and "Hog Rock," as well as many other examples of Nature's wonders.

Picnic facilities in a grove, a bandstand, dancing platform, and a bowling alley were erected and dedicated on August 20, 1889, and annual celebrations marked the occasion for some years. Guests from the local hotels and students from the village academy regularly used the recreation facilities.

Abandoned and almost forgotten for many years, the site reverted to its singular wildness and grandeur, visited only occasionally by hardy, dedicated nature lovers.

In February 1973, culminating a year's effort by the Souhegan Valley Trust, Inc., to raise funds for the purchase of the wild area, a portion of the Purgatory Falls site in Mont Vernon was given into the care of the Town's Conservation Commission.

## TOWN OFFICERS

### Selectmen

CHARLES M. PUCKETTE

KEITH E. POMEROY

LAWRENCE H. CORBETT

### Town Treasurer

DOROTHY C. SMITH

### Town Clerk

RUTH L. CAREY

### Tax Collector

RUTH L. CAREY

### Road Agent

WILLARD ARCHIBALD

### Overseer of Public Welfare

PERLEY E. TROW

### Health Officer

RUTH WORRAD

### Trustees of Trust Funds

GEORGE SKENDERIAN

VINCENT H. SWANICK

W. GUILD SMITH

### Cemetery Trustees

FRANK C. BLANCHARD

GEORGE D. KITTREDGE, JR.

STANLEY D. LAWRENCE

### Library Trustees

BERNARD FOSTER

MARK W. VAUGHN

JANE B. CONANT

**Firewards**

DONALD C. CHEEVER  
FRANK C. BLANCHARD  
JOSEPH G. CARLETON

**Auditors**

DAVID W. HAYDEN                      ALAN J. SMITH

**Moderator**

GEORGE D. KITTREDGE, JR.

**Supervisors of the Checklist**

WILLIAM HARCOVITZ  
ALICE BUCKLEY  
MARIE ROBINSON

**Planning Board**

VINCENT WASSELL                      ROY A. THOMSEN  
DAVID W. HAYDEN                      NANCY STRAW  
ROGER CROUCH                      HAROLD STRONCER  
KEITH E. POMEROY

**Conservation Commission**

CHARLES W. BUCK                      VERNON B. WILKINS  
SUE O'HALLORAN                      JAN C. HAVINGA  
RICHARD TROW                      ADELE WASSELL  
PAUL A. SCHNEIDERHAN

**Beautification Committee**

ELIZABETH CUTTER                      CARL TORESEN  
WALTER N. THOMPSON                      GEORGE MUNRO  
KEITH E. POMEROY

**Zoning Board of Adjustment**

ALBERT DUDLEY                      VINCENT SWANICK  
WILLIAM O. LAMSON                      ARVID WILSON  
NANCY CALKIN

**Recreation Commission**

THOMAS W. BUCHERT                      EILEEN NABER  
LOUISE WINSOR                      RICHARD MOORE  
DAVID D. BROWN

## REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

1973 was an unusual year because the tax rate went down without cutting back on Town services. The reduced tax rate was due to a reduction in the School appropriation, the application of Revenue Sharing Funds to Town expenses, and an increase of about 10% in Taxable Property.

During the year Arthur Hazen retired after many years of faithful service as Dump Custodian. We wish to thank Arthur for his conscientious service and to welcome William Liley as the new custodian.

The work on Kendall Hill Road under Town Road Aid is now completed and that major thoroughfare is now all blacktop. This will free TRA money for other projects in the future.

It was with regret that we accepted the resignation of A. Arthur McKew from the Planning Board. Arthur has done an outstanding job as chairman in carrying out the functions of the Board. Roy Thompson was appointed to fill the vacancy on the Board and David Hayden was elected chairman.

### Looking ahead —

Unfinished business from 1973 includes construction of a septic system for the fire house and town hall. After the engineering was done it turned out that, due to state requirements, the system cost more than expected. We have budgeted an additional \$2,100 this year to finish the job so that the Town can be a good neighbor.

Our beautiful Town Hall is in need of painting, which was last done about 15 years ago. We are proposing that \$3,000 of Revenue Sharing Funds be used to paint the Town Hall and go as far as possible on the Fire House.

Local government is becoming more and more complicated every year, with forms to fill out and requirements for record keeping from all the various State and Federal programs. The time is not far off when Mont Vernon must pro-



vide year round office space. In order to figure out the best way to do this, we are asking for authority to appoint three interested citizens to form a study committee and to raise \$100 to cover the committee's expenses.

One of the articles requests that the Town approve a contract guaranteeing ambulance service to the residents of the Town. As in the past, those who use the service will be charged \$30 per trip plus \$1 per mile.

The state requires that all towns have a tax map by 1980. We are hoping to prepare the tax map without spending a lot of money to hire professionals. Consequently, we are asking for authority to establish a committee consisting of the selectmen and three members to be appointed by the Selectmen, and to raise \$100 for their expenses to start work on the tax map. The assistance of land owners in submitting copies of recent surveys has been a real help, and these will form the basis for the completed tax map. Those who have not yet furnished copies of their lot plans or deed descriptions are requested to do so as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

**CHARLES M. PUCKETTE**  
**KEITH E. POMEROY**  
**LAWRENCE H. CORBETT**

**TOWN WARRANT**  
**The State of New Hampshire**

**The polls will be open from 10:00 A.M. to 8:30 P.M.**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Mont Vernon in the County of Hillsborough in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Mont Vernon on Tuesday, the 5th day of March, next at 10:00 of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

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

2. To vote on the question: "Shall we adopt the homeowners exemption provisions of RSA Chapter 72:40-60 granting a \$5,000 exemption based on equalized assessed valuation on all owner occupied units and a \$10,000 exemption based on equalized assessed valuation on owner occupied units for those over 65 years of age?"

3. To vote on the question: "Shall the Town accept the provisions of sections 1 to 10 inclusive of chapter 53B of the Revised Statutes Annotated providing for the establishment of a regional refuse disposal district, together with the towns of Amherst, Hollis and Brookline, and the construction, maintenance, and operation of a regional refuse disposal facility by said district in accordance with the provisions of a proposed agreement filed with the Selectmen?"

Action on succeeding articles will be deferred until 7:30 p.m.

4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,500 from the Revenue Sharing Fund to be transferred to the Capital Reserve Fund established for the purchase of new Fire Apparatus.

5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,000 from the Revenue Sharing Fund for the purpose of painting Town Hall and the Fire House.

6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,000 from the Revenue Sharing Fund for improvement of Class V roads.

7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$2,100 from the Revenue Sharing Fund to complete a Septic System for the Fire House and Town Hall.

8. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

9. To act on reports of all Town Officers, Agents, Auditors, Committees, etc., and raise and appropriate any money relative thereto.

10. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen and Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

11. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Town Building Study Committee consisting of three members to be appointed by the Selectmen, and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100 for expenses thereto.

12. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Tax Map Committee consisting of the Selectmen and three additional members to be appointed by the Selectmen, to create a Town Tax Map and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100 for expenses thereto.

13. To see if the Town will vote to release any claim it may have on a certain section of former Route 13, passing through the property of Roger Brown, as described in W. O. Lamson subdivision application made by Wing and Schneiderhan, Inc., dated June 1973, and extending northerly through the property of Roger Brown and Willard Archibald to the next intersection of former Route 13 and the right-of-way of present New Hampshire Route 13.

14. To see if the Town will enter into a contract between the Town of Mont Vernon and United Ambulance and Medical Services, Inc., providing for the availability of ambulance service for residents of the Town of Mont Vernon for the period April 1, 1974 through March 31, 1975 at a total cost to the Town of \$2,242.44 for such service.

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$453.00 for a soil survey of the Town by the Soil Conservation Service. (To be matched by Federal Funds.)

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to purchase two new Scott Air Packs with extra bottles.

17. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 for the purpose of purchasing carved double-faced redwood street signs, with brackets and posts as required, for approximately 70 town street intersections.

18. To see if the Town will vote to designate the Nashua Regional Planning Commission as the agency responsible for coordinating region-wide planning for water quality (well water supplies and surface waters), and to participate in the coordinated planning and its implementation. (This water quality management planning as required by Section 208 of the Water Pollution Control Act of 1972 is a first step towards ensuring the quality of regional water resources both in the town and in the region.)

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

Given under our hands and seal, this 7th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and Seventy-four.

CHARLES M. PUCKETTE  
KEITH E. POMEROY  
LAWRENCE H. CORBETT, Selectmen of Mont Vernon

A true copy of Warrant - Attest:  
CHARLES M. PUCKETTE  
KEITH E. POMEROY  
LAWRENCE H. CORBETT, Selectmen of Mont Vernon

## BUDGET

**Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year  
January 1, 1974 to December 31, 1974**

**Compared with**

**Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures  
of the Previous Year January 1, 1973 to December 31, 1973**

SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated Revenue 1973	Actual Revenue 1973	Estimated Revenue 1974
<b>From State:</b>			
Interest & dividends tax	\$5,500.00	\$6,098.15	\$6,000.00
Railroad tax	25.00		25.00
Savings bank tax	550.00	790.51	800.00
Meals & rooms tax	4,700.00	5,294.44	5,000.00
Highway subsidy (Cl. IV & V)	10,947.16	10,947.16	10,897.11
Reim. a-c business profits tax	1,200.00	1,224.40	1,200.00
<b>From Local Sources:</b>			
Dog licenses	550.00	605.91	600.00
Business licenses, permits and filing fees	75.00	63.00	75.00
Motor vehicle permit fees	12,000.00	14,262.07	14,000.00
Interest on taxes & deposits	1,600.00	2,506.86	2,000.00
Nat'l. bank stock taxes	33.60	40.80	40.00
Resident taxes retained	2,700.00	3,600.00	7,150.00
Normal yield taxes assessed	100.00	436.25	100.00
Rent of town property	100.00	125.00	100.00
Sale of town property		46.00	
<b>From Federal Sources:</b>			
Revenue Sharing — Dec. 1972	3,534.00	3,534.00	
Revenue Sharing — Jan. 1973	3,391.00	3,391.00	5,100.00
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Total Revenues from All Sources except Property Taxes	\$47,005.76	\$53,965.25	\$53,037.11
Amount to be Raised by Property Taxes			9,278.77
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Total Revenues			\$62,315.88

## BUDGET

PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Approp. 1973	Expend. 1973	Approp. 1974
<b>General Government:</b>			
Town officers' salaries	\$2,300.00	\$2,421.03	\$2,500.00
Town officers' expenses	1,900.00	2,204.00	2,400.00
Election & registration expenses	250.00	265.62	500.00
Town hall & other town buildings	1,800.00	2,155.66	2,400.00
Reappraisal of property	250.00	327.58	250.00
<b>Protection of Persons &amp; Property:</b>			
Police department	1,000.00	881.96	1,000.00
Fire department	2,000.00	2,164.71	2,000.00
Insurance	2,000.00	1,809.75	2,000.00
Planning & zoning	225.00	757.88	225.00
Communications center	500.00	500.00	500.00
<b>Health Department:</b>			
Town dump & garbage removal	1,772.00	1,886.75	2,800.00
	1,800.00	1,613.94	1,800.00
<b>Highways &amp; Bridges:</b>			
Tarring	6,000.00	5,997.95	7,000.00
Town Maint. — Summer & Winter	18,000.00	18,167.72	20,000.00
Street lighting	978.60	978.60	978.60
General expenses of highway dept.	1,000.00	921.64	1,000.00
Town road aid	762.69	762.69	761.28
<b>Libraries</b>	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00
<b>Public Welfare</b>	2,000.00	1,990.25	2,000.00
<b>Patriotic Purposes</b>	75.00	64.65	75.00
<b>Recreation</b>	550.00	559.05	550.00
<b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>			
Cemeteries	400.00	400.00	400.00
Advertising & regional associations	226.00	226.00	326.00
<b>Debt Service:</b>			
Principal & Long Term notes & bonds	4,150.00	4,150.00	4,150.00
Interest — Long Term notes & bonds	1,500.00	1,730.49	1,500.00
<b>Capital Outlay:</b>			
Fire House septic system	1,500.00	348.45	2,100.00
Fire hose	1,000.00	1,000.00	
Payment to Capital Reserve Funds:			
Fire apparatus	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Total Appropriations	\$57,039.29	\$57,386.37	\$62,315.88

**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES**  
**Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1973**

<b>Title of Appropriation</b>	<b>Appropriation</b>	<b>Receipts &amp; Reimburse.</b>	<b>Total Available</b>	<b>Expended</b>	<b>Under-Expended</b>	<b>Over-Expended</b>	<b>Held Over for 1974</b>
Town Officers' Salaries	\$ 2,300.00	\$	\$ 2,300.00	\$ 2,421.03	\$	\$ 121.03	\$
Town Officers' Expenses	1,900.00		1,900.00	2,204.00		304.00	
Election & Registration	250.00		250.00	265.62		15.62	
Town Bldgs. Expenses	1,800.00		1,800.00	2,155.66		355.66	
Appraisal of Property	250.00		250.00	327.58		77.58	
Police Department	1,000.00	(3) 67.00	1,067.00	881.96	185.04		
Fire Department	(1) 3,000.00	(4) 52.51	3,052.51	3,164.71		112.20	
Planning & Zoning	225.00	(5) 995.76	1,220.76	757.88	462.88		
Insurance	2,000.00	(6) 95.50	2,095.50	1,809.75	285.75		
Communications Center	500.00		500.00	500.00			
Health Department	(2) 1,772.00		1,772.00	1,886.75		114.75	
Town Dump	1,800.00		1,800.00	1,613.94	186.06		
Roads, Winter Maint.	7,000.00		7,000.00	7,186.84		186.84	
Roads, Summer Maint.	11,000.00		11,000.00	10,980.88	19.12		
Roads, Tarring	6,000.00	(7) 134.20	6,134.20	5,997.95			136.25
Town Road Aid	762.69		762.69	762.69			
Gen'l. Expenses, Highway	1,000.00		1,000.00	921.64	78.36		
Street Lighting	978.60		978.60	978.60			
Library	1,600.00		1,600.00	1,600.00			
Patriotic Purposes	75.00		75.00	64.65	10.35		
Public Welfare	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,990.25	9.75		



Parks & Recreation	550.00	550.00	550.00	
Cemetery	400.00	400.00	400.00	
Regional Associations	226.00	226.00	226.00	
Interest	1,500.00	1,730.49	1,730.49	230.49
Capital Reserve	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	
Long Term Notes	4,150.00	4,150.00	4,150.00	
Capital Outlay:				
Fire House Septic Sys.	1,500.00	1,500.00	348.45	1,151.55
County Tax	11,023.99	11,023.99	11,023.99	
School Tax	230,744.29	(8)133,402.90	364,147.19	131,929.78
	\$298,807.57	\$134,747.87	\$433,555.44	\$1,207.33
			\$300,618.72	\$1,488.17
				\$133,217.58

- (1) Includes \$1,000.00 capital appropriation for new fire hose
- (2) Includes \$1,272.00 for ambulance service
- (3) Bicycle plates
- (4) Forest fire and gas tax refund
- (5) Building permits
- (6) Insurance credit
- (7) Driveway tarring
- (8) Held over from 1972 appropriation

## INVENTORY OF MONT VERNON FOR 1973

Land	\$2,021,070 00
Buildings	4,361,930 00
Public Utilities, Electric	146,000 00
Mobile Homes (45)	145,959 00
Boats (3)	1,470 00
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Gross Valuation	\$6,676,429 00
Elderly Exemptions	7,500 00
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Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is computed	\$6,668,929 00

### AMOUNT OF TAXES AND RATE

Property Taxes to be raised	\$ 257,420 65
Veteran Exemptions	5,350 00
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Property Taxes committed to Collector	\$ 252,070 65

#### Tax Rate as set by Tax Commission

Town	\$ .25
County	.16
School	3.45
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	\$3.86

## BALANCE SHEET

### Assets

Cash on Hand		\$ 78,810 23
Capital Reserve Fund		3,000 00
Unredeemed Taxes		
Levy of 1972	\$ 8,457 55	
Levy of 1971	3,476 67	
Levy of 1970	195 06	
	-----	12,129 28
Uncollected Taxes		
Levy of 1973, incl. Resident	\$42,221 83	
Levy of 1972, incl. Resident	2,463 03	
Levy of 1971, incl. Resident	30 00	
Levy of 1970, incl. Resident	10 00	
	-----	44,724 86
		-----
Total Assets		\$138,664 37

### Liabilities

Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds		\$ 5,782 42
Bond & Debt—Retirement Taxes		72 71
Unexpended Balances of Special Appropriation		
Fire House/Town Hall		
Septic System	\$ 1,151 55	
Tarring	136 25	
	-----	1,287 80
Balance of 1973 Appropriation Due		
School District		131,929 78
Capital Reserve Funds		3,000 00
		-----
		\$142,072 71
Net Debt, December 31, 1972	\$ 1,782 80	
Net Debt, December 31, 1973	3,408 34	
	-----	
Increase of Debt	\$ 1,625 54	

## SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Land and Building	\$ 20,000 00
Town Hall Furniture	3,000 00
Town Garage — Fire Dept. Building	14,000 00
Fire Dept. Equipment	23,000 00
Highway Dept. Building	3,000 00
Highway Dept. Equipment	37,000 00
Park	2,000 00
School Land and Buildings	210,000 00
School Equipment	5,000 00
Land Acquired by Warranty Deed	10,050 00
George O. Carleton Park	5,000 00
Purgatory Falls Property	18,000 00
	\$350,050 00

## STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT, DEC. 31, 1973

Power Grader 4.5 per cent rate of interest  
Original Amount \$29,000 00

Maturities	Principal Payment	Total Annual Maturities
1974	\$4,150 00	\$4,150 00
1975	4,150 00	4,150 00
1976	4,100 00	4,100 00
	\$12,400 00	\$12,400 00

**REPORT OF TOWN CLERK  
For Year Ending December 31, 1973**

Dr.

Automobile Registration Account:

1972 Registrations (32)	\$	221 07
1973 Registrations (952)		13,972 93
1974 Registrations (7)		68 07
Total Automobile Registration Account		\$14,262 07

Dog License Account:

130 Male at \$2.00	\$260 00	
35 Female at \$5.00	175 00	
68 Spayed Female at \$2.00	136 00	
3 Kennel at \$12.00	36 00	
1 Kennel at \$20.00	20 00	
8 Partial Year	13 51	
48 Late Penalties at \$1.00	48 00	
Total Dog License Account		688 51

Miscellaneous Account:

12 Filings for Town Office at \$1.00	\$12 00	
3 Town Histories at \$6.00	18 00	
14 Town Maps at 25 cents	3 50	
46 Zoning Ordinances at 25 cents	11 50	
31 Sub-division Regulations at 25 cents	7 75	
21 Building Codes at 25 cents	5 25	
		58 00

Total Debits \$15,008 58

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Wheeler & Clarke for Dog Supplies	\$	33 60
Dog License Fees at 20 cents (245)		49 00
Remittances to Town Treasurer		14,925 98
Total Credits		\$15,008 58

I hereby certify that the Town Clerk Report is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

RUTH L. CAREY, Town Clerk

## REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

### Summary of Warrants Property, Resident and Yield Taxes Levy of 1973

Dr.		
Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	\$251,693 93	
Resident Taxes	5,090 00	
National Bank Stock Taxes	40 80	
Total Warrants		\$256,824 73
Yield Taxes		436 25
Added Taxes		
Property Taxes	\$ 908 66	
Resident Taxes	40 00	
		948 66
Interest Collected on Delinquent		
Property Taxes		39 21
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		
		13 00
Total Debits		\$258,261 85
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Remittances to Treasurer:		
Property Taxes	\$208,988 21	
Resident Taxes	3,600 00	
National Bank Stock	40 80	
Yield Taxes	436 25	
Interest Collected	39 21	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	13 00	
		\$213,117 47
Abatements Made During Year:		
Property Taxes	\$ 2,812 55	
Resident Taxes	110 00	
Yield Taxes	0 00	
		\$ 2,922 55

Uncollected Taxes — December 31, 1973:

(As per Collector's List)

Property Taxes	\$ 40,801 83	
Resident Taxes	1,420 00	
Yield Taxes	0 00	
	<u>                    </u>	42,221 83
Total Credits		<u>\$258,261 85</u>

**Summary of Warrant  
Property, Resident and Yield Taxes  
Levy of 1972**

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes — as of  
January 1, 1973:

Property Taxes	\$46,393 75	
Resident Taxes	1,400 00	
Yield Taxes	0 00	
	<u>                    </u>	\$47,793 75

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$3,740 26	
Resident Taxes	0 00	
	<u>                    </u>	3,740 26

Interest Collected on

Delinquent Property Taxes	\$2,018 41	
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes	123 00	
	<u>                    </u>	2,141 41

Total Debits \$53,675 42

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Remittances to Treasurer during Fiscal  
Year Ended Dec. 31, 1973:

Property Taxes	\$47,840 98
Resident Taxes	1,230 00
Yield Taxes	0 00

Interest Collected during Year	2,018 41	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	123 00	
	<u>          </u>	\$51,212 39
Abatements Made during Year:		
Property Taxes	\$ 0 00	
Resident Taxes	0 00	
Yield Taxes	0 00	
	<u>          </u>	0 00
Uncollected Taxes — Dec. 31, 1973:		
(As per Collector's List)		
Property Taxes (To abate)	\$2,293 03	
Resident Taxes	170 00	
	<u>          </u>	2,463 03
		<u>          </u>
Total Credits		\$53,675 42

**Summary of Warrants  
Property, Resident and Yield Taxes  
Levy of 1971**

		Dr.	
Uncollected Taxes — As of Jan. 1, 1973:			
Property Taxes	\$73 92		
Resident Taxes	40 00		
Yield Taxes	0 00		
	<u>          </u>	\$	113 92
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes			1 00
			<u>          </u>
Total Debits		\$	114 92

		Cr.	
Remittance to Treasurer during Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1973:			
Property Taxes	\$ 0 00		
Resident Taxes	10 00		
Yield Taxes	0 00		
Penalties on Resident Taxes	1 00		
	<u>          </u>	\$	11 00



Abatements Made during Year:			
Property Taxes		\$73 92	
Resident Taxes		0 00	
Yield Taxes		0 00	
		<u>          </u>	73 92
Uncollected Taxes — Dec. 31, 1973:			
(As Per Collector's List)			
Property Taxes		\$ 0 00	
Resident Taxes		30 00	
		<u>          </u>	30 00
			<u>          </u>
Total Credits		\$	114 92

**Summary of Warrant  
State Head Tax  
Levy of 1970**

Dr.

Uncollected Taxes — As of Jan. 1, 1973	\$	10 00
Penalties Collected during 1973		0 00
		<u>          </u>
Total Debits	\$	10 00

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer during 1973:		
Head Taxes	\$	0 00
Penalties		0 00
		<u>          </u>
Abatements during 1973	\$	0 00
Uncollected Head Taxes — Dec. 31, 1973		10 00
(As Per Collector's List)		<u>          </u>
Total Credits	\$	10 00

**Summary of Warrant  
Poll Tax  
Levy of 1970**

Dr.	
Uncollected Poll Taxes — As of Jan. 1, 1973	\$ 4 00
Penalties Collected	0 00
Total Debits	\$ 4 00
Cr.	
Remittances to Treasurer during Fiscal Year:	
Ended Dec. 31, 1973	\$ 0 00
Penalties Collected	0 00
Uncollected Taxes — Dec. 31, 1973	4 00
Total Credits	\$ 4 00

**SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS  
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1973**

DR.			
	Tax Sale on Account of Levies of:		
	1972	1971	1970
(a) Balance of Unredeemed Taxes of Jan. 1, 1973	\$	\$4,482.62	\$1,891.28
(b) Taxes sold to Town during current fiscal year	9,381.35		
Interest collected after sale	3.20	92.01	307.21
Redemption costs	3.03	13.43	12.86
Total Debits	\$9,387.58	\$4,588.06	\$2,211.35
CR.			
Remittances to Treasurer during year:			
Redemptions	\$ 923.80	\$1,005.95	\$1,696.22
Interest & costs after sale	6.23	105.44	320.07
Abatements during year	0.00	0.00	0.00
Deeded to town during year	0.00	0.00	0.00
Unredeemed Taxes — Dec. 31, 1973	8,457.55	3,476.67	195.06
	\$9,387.58	\$4,588.06	\$2,211.35

I hereby certify that the Tax Collector report is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

RUTH L. CAREY, Tax Collector

## REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

### RECEIPTS

#### From Tax Collector:

Property taxes	\$248,176 54	
Resident taxes	4,840 00	
Yield tax	436 25	
National Bank Stock tax	40 80	
Interest on taxes	1,328 92	
Resident tax penalties	137 00	
Tax sales redemption	3,618 47	
Interest and costs	449 24	
Tax sale	8,652 65	
Interest and costs	728 70	
Abatements	2,996 47	
	<hr/>	\$271,405 04

#### From Town Clerk:

Auto permits	\$14,262 07	
Dog licenses	557 91	
Dog license penalties	48 00	
Filing fees	12 00	
Sale of Town Histories	18 00	
Sale of zoning ordinances	11 50	
Sale of Sub-division ordinances	7 75	
Sale of town maps	3 25	
Sale of building codes	5 50	
	<hr/>	14,925 98

#### From State of New Hampshire:

Class V Highway	\$ 4,049 76	
Highway subsidy	10,947 16	
Porcupine bounties	2 00	
Forest fire	21 01	
Conservation commission	8,925 00	
Refund on gas tax	31 50	
Refund on resident tax	67 50	
Interest and dividends tax	6,098 15	

Savings bank tax	790 51	
Rooms and meals tax	5,294 44	
Business profits tax	1,224 40	
	<u>          </u>	37,451 43

From Other Sources:

Rent of town hall	\$ 125 00	
Return of working fund	500 00	
Pistol permits	26 00	
Building permits	870 00	
Junkyard permits	25 00	
Board of Adjustment fees	125 76	
Bicycle plates	67 00	
Insurance credit	95 50	
Highway Dept. — tarring	134 20	
Refund Mont Vernon School District	814 51	
Check lost, entered back	615 88	
R. Christie, repayment	1,275 00	
Tax anticipation loans	50,000 00	
U.S. Revenue Sharing funds	6,925 00	
	<u>          </u>	61,598 85

Total All Sources		\$385,381 30
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1973		78,810 23
		<u>          </u>
Total		\$464,191 53

PAYMENTS

Paid on Selectmen's Orders	\$380,055 52
Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1973	84,136 01
	<u>          </u>
	\$464,191 53

## REPORT OF U.S. REVENUE SHARING FUNDS

Balance Dec. 31, 1972		\$ 3,534 00
Received — 1973:		
January 16	\$3,391 00	
April 6	2,084 00	
July 15	2,085 00	
October 20	1,314 00	
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	\$8,874 00	
Souhegan Nat'l. Bank, interest on Savings Account No. 030-8100	299 42	
	<hr style="width: 100%;"/>	9,173 42
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		\$12,707 42
Cash Payments as voted at Town Meeting, March, 1973:		
Highway Department	\$3,375 00	
Recreation Committee	300 00	
Care of Parks	250 00	
Communication Center	500 00	
Fire Department, Hose	1,000 00	
Fire Department, Reserve Fund	1,500 00	
	<hr style="width: 100%;"/>	
		6,925 00
Balance as of Dec. 31, 1973		<hr style="width: 100%;"/> \$ 5,782 42

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

From Local Sources:

Current Year:

Property tax	\$208,988	21
Yield tax	436	25
Bank stock tax	40	80
Resident tax	3,600	00
	-----	\$213,065 26

Previous Years:

Property tax	\$39,188	33
Resident tax	1,240	00
Tax sale	8,652	65
Interest & costs	728	70
Abatements	2,996	47
Other interest	1,328	92
Resident tax penalties	137	00
Tax sale redemptions	3,618	47
Interest & cost of redemption	449	24
	-----	58,339 78

Total from Local Taxes	\$271,405 04
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From Local Sources except Taxes:

Auto permits	\$14,262	07
Dog licenses & penalties		
(Less supplies, \$82.60)	605	91
Filing fees	12	00
Sale of:		
Town histories	18	00
Zoning ordinances	11	50
Sub-division regulations	7	75
Town maps	3	25
Building codes	5	50
Rent of town hall	125	00
Return of working fund	500	00
Pistol permits	26	00

Building permits	870 00	
Junkyard permits	25 00	
Board of Adjustment fees (Less supplies, \$4.24)	125 76	
Bicycle plates	67 00	
Insurance credit	95 50	
Highway Dept., tarring	134 20	
Mont Vernon School District, o'pmt.	814 51	
Lost check, entered back	615 88	
	<hr/>	18,324 83

From State of New Hampshire:

Highway, Class V	\$ 4,049 76	
Highway subsidy	10,947 16	
Porcupine bounties	2 00	
Forest fire refund	21 01	
Conservation commission	8,925 00	
Interest & dividends tax	6,098 15	
Savings bank tax	790 51	
Rooms & meals tax	5,294 44	
Business profits tax	1,224 40	
Refund on gas tax	31 50	
Refund on resident tax, o'pmt.	67 50	
	<hr/>	37,451 43
Tax anticipation loans		50,000 00
R. Christie, repayment		1,275 00
U.S. Revenue Sharing funds		6,925 00
		<hr/>
Total Receipts from All Sources		\$385,381 30
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1973		78,810 23
		<hr/>
		\$464,191 53

## SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

### General Government

Town officers' salaries	\$ 2,421 03	
Town officers' expenses	2,205 04	
Election and registration	265 62	
Town buildings' expenses	2,155 66	
Reappraisal of property	327 58	
	\$ 7,374 93	

### Protection of Persons and Property

Police department	881 96	
Fire department	2,030 86	
Planning and zoning	322 88	
Insurance	1,809 75	
Communication Center	500 00	
Bounties	1 50	
Building Inspection	495 00	
	\$ 6,041 95	

### Health

Health	1,886 75	
Town Dump	1,613 94	
	\$3,500 69	

### Highways and Bridges

Tarring	5,997 95	
Working Fund	500 00	
Town Road Aid	762 69	
Summer maintenance	10,980 88	
Winter maintenance	7,186 84	
Duncan fund	3,999 85	
Street lighting	978 60	
General expenses, highway dept.	921 64	
	\$ 31,328 45	



Library	1,600 00	
Patriotic purposes	64 65	
Public welfare	1,990 25	
Parks and recreation	559 05	
Cemetery	400 00	
Tax titles purchased	9,381 35	
Abatements	3,135 43	
Interest – Long term	660 17	
Interest – Short term	1,070 32	
Temporary loans	50,000 00	
Long term notes	4,150 00	
Regional Association	226 00	
Land Trust	8,925 00	
Fire Hose	1,103 85	
Fire House Septic System	348 45	
Fire Apparatus	1,500 00	
Christie A/C to Trust Funds	1,275 00	
	<u>                    </u>	\$ 86,389 52

Payments to other Governmental Divisions

Resident Tax	1,524 60	
Bond and debt retirement tax	38 10	
	<u>                    </u>	\$ 1,562 70
County tax	11,023 99	
School tax	232,217 41	
	<u>                    </u>	\$243,241 40
Total all Payments		<u>                    </u> \$379,439 64
Check 2082 written to replace lost check 2049		615 88
Total all Checks		<u>                    </u> \$380,055 52

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

### Town Officers' Salaries Appropriation \$2,300 00

Charles M. Puckette, Selectman	\$ 300 00
Keith E. Pomeroy, Selectman	250 00
Lawrence H. Corbett, Selectman	250 00
Ruth L. Carey, Tax Collector	400 00
Dorothy C. Smith, Treasurer	100 00
Ruth L. Carey, Town Clerk	40 00
Ruth L. Carey, Town Clerk Fees	1,011 03
Ruth Worrard, Health Officer	25 00
Perley E. Trow, Overseer of Poor	25 00
David W. Hayden, Auditor	10 00
Alan J. Smith, Auditor	10 00
-----	\$ 2,421 03

### Town Officers' Expenses Appropriation \$1,900 00

The Cabinet Press, Printing	\$ 22 25
The Cabinet Press, Reports	1,012 00
Devine and Millimet, Counsel	203 05
Frank C. Blanchard, Postage & Box Rent	231 58
N.H. Municipal Assoc., dues	69 99
Brown & Saltmarsh, supplies	23 25
Lois R. Puckette, Secretarial Services	144 00
Ruth L. Carey, expenses	64 80
Homestead Press, printing	60 05
Dr. Tenney, care of dogs	27 50
Branham Publishing Co., auto ref. book	8 90
N.H. Town Clerk's Asso., dues	8 00
Violett S. Toth, Tax Collector's dues	10 00
Cabinet Press, Advertising	85 76
Phaneuf Press, Portable File	19 40
Sears Roebuck, 4 drawer file cabinet	60 47
Harland Holt, Bonds	149 00

N. H. Municipal Assoc., Handbook	4 00	
State of N.H., Boat Ownership	1 04	
	-----	\$ 2,205 04

Election and Registration  
Appropriation \$400 00

Cabinet Press, printing	\$64 00	
Cabinet Press, advertising	10 50	
George D. Kittredge, Moderator	31 00	
William Harcovitz, Super. checklist	27 00	
Marie Robinson, Super. checklist	27 00	
Alice Buckley, Super checklist	27 00	
Bernice Towne, Ballot clerk	26 00	
Misc. Expenses	1 12	
Florence Lamson, Ballot clerk	26 00	
Juanita Wood, Ballot clerk	26 00	
	-----	\$ 265 62

Town Building Expense  
Appropriation \$1,800 00

Draper Fuel Co., Fuel Oil	\$798 50	
Draper Fuel Co., Furnace Cleaning	30 65	
Public Service Co., Lights	296 03	
Vernon Wilkins, Wood	112 50	
Donald Cheever, Wood	160 00	
Samuel Hanscom, Janitor & Supplies	578 02	
Samuel Hanscom, Care of Clock	56 60	
A. W. Brougham Co., Tank Repair	42 85	
E. Archambault Co., Clock Maint.	45 00	
Gault Plumbing, Furnace Parts	5 51	
Fred Salisbury, Repairs to Town Hall Roof	30 00	
	-----	\$ 2,155 60

Reappraisal of Property  
Appropriation \$250 00

State of N.H.		\$ 327 58
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Building Inspection

Harold Stroncer, Bldg. Insp., Fees	\$450 00	
Cabinet Press, Printing	15 00	
	-----	\$ 465 00

Police Department  
Appropriation \$1,000 00

Oswald Williams, Police duty	\$396 20	
Oswald Williams, Bicycle Plates	61 91	
James Cuddihy, Police duty	145 50	
Otis Garnett, Police duty	238 60	
Treas., State of N.H., Radio repair	39 75	
	-----	\$ 881 96

Fire Department  
Appropriation \$3,000 00

Robert Naber, Firemen's payroll	\$ 699 24	
D. D. Bean, Fire hose	1,103 85	
Milford Fire Dept., Air tank refills	30 00	
William A. Langille, Custodian	200 00	
Joseph G. Carleton, Fire Chief	50 00	
Joseph G. Carleton, supplies	26 11	
Joseph G. Carleton, Training School	13 12	
Hampstead Comm. radio repair	40 80	
Griffiths Motor Sales, Pipes	21 17	
E. G. Moody, Fire Engine parts	28 80	
New England Telephone	155 48	
Treas. State of N.H., supplies	38 36	
Phelps Photo Service, Fire Maps	10 00	
Motorala Communications, Radios	545 00	
Joseph G. Carleton, Fires	29 90	
County Stores, Battery	8 06	
Maffee's American, truck inspection	20 00	
Souhegan Mutual Fire Aid Assoc., dues	5 00	
Draper Fuel Co., gasoline & oil	100 80	
Auto Electric Service, supplies	17 20	
Blanchard Associates, supplies	21 82	
	-----	\$ 3,164 71

Planning and Zoning  
Appropriation \$225 00

Frank Blanchard, Postage	\$ 16 00	
Nancy Straw, Postage	24 00	
Cabinet Press, Printing	65 00	
Milford Cabinet, Advertising	217 88	
	-----	\$ 322 88

Insurance  
Appropriation \$2,000 00

Harland H. Holt, Insurance	\$1,677 75	
Jewett Insurance Agency, Insurance	132 00	
	-----	\$ 1,809 75

Communication Center  
Appropriation \$500 00

Town of Milford		\$ 500 00
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Health  
Appropriation \$1,772 00

United Ambulance & Med. Ser., Inc.	\$1,378 00	
Ruth Worrada, Medicine	8 75	
Souhegan Community Nursing Asso.	500 00	
	-----	\$ 1,886 75

Bounties

Keith E. Pomeroy	\$1 00	
Willard Archibald	50	
	-----	\$ 1 50

Town Dump  
Appropriation \$1,800 00

The County Stores, Padlock	\$ 5 98	
Donald Cheever, Snow Plowing	104 00	
Ryder Concrete Co., Gravel	170 25	
Willard Archibald		
Grading & Bulldozing	100 70	
Arthur M. Hazen, Custodian	621 60	
William A. Liley, Custodian	611 51	
	-----	\$ 1,613 94

### Highway Department

Working Fund	\$	500 00	
Town Road Aid		762 69	
Winter Expended		7,186 84	
Tarring Expended		5,997 95	
Summer Expended		10,980 88	
General Expended		921 64	
Duncan Fund Expended		3,999 85	
		-----	\$ 30,349 85

### Street Lighting

		Appropriation \$978 60	
Public Service Co.	\$		978 60

### Library

		Appropriation \$1,600 00	
Mark W. Vaughn, Treasurer	\$		1,600 00

### Patriotic Purposes

		Appropriation \$75 00	
The County Store, Flags		\$26 25	
Rodney C. Woodman, Flowers		38 40	
		-----	\$ 64 65

### Public Welfare

		Appropriation \$2,000 00	
State of N.H., O.A.A.		\$1,740 38	
N. H. Catholic Charities		208 87	
Draper Fuel Co., Fuel		41 00	
		-----	\$ 1,990 25

### Recreation and Parks

		Appropriation \$550 00	
Public Service Co., 1972			
Christmas Lights	\$		9 05
David D. Brown, Treas.,			
Recreation Comm.		300 00	
George D. Kittredge, Jr.,			
Lawn Mowing		250 00	
		-----	\$ 559 05

Cemetery

Appropriation \$400 00

Frank C. Blanchard, Treas.	\$	400 00
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Tax Titles Purchased

Ruth L. Carey, Tax Collector	\$	9,381 35
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Advertising and Regional Association

Appropriation \$226 00

Nashua Regional Planning Commission, Dues	\$	226 00
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Abatements

Robert Welch, 1973 Property Tax		\$138 96
Skinner Heirs, 1973 Property Tax		614 71
David Trow, 1973 Property Tax		76 20
Frederick & Joan Ainsworth, 1973 Property Tax		104 22
Robert Skinner & Joan Ainsworth, 1973 Property Tax		323 85
Bessie & Joseph Carleton, 1973 Property Tax		115 80
Alvin Ryder, 1973 Property Tax		231 98
Selma Dyer, 1973 Property Tax		74 90
Alan Straub, 1973 Property Tax		250 13
Rudolph Allaire, 1973 Property Tax		972 12
Charles Townes, 1973 Property Tax		48 64
William G. Plummer, 1971 Property Tax		35 20
Charles A. Trow, 1971 Property Tax		38 72
Stuart & Carol Mac Adams, Resident Tax		20 00
Martha & Edward McIntyre, Resident Tax		20 00
Richard C. Moore, Resident Tax		10 00
Ralph Salisbury, Resident Tax		10 00
Sharon De Lima, Resident Tax		10 00
Richard & Rosalyn Grant, Resident Tax		20 00

Linda Grugnale, Resident Tax	10 00	
Forest Wyatt, Resident Tax	10 00	
		----- \$ 3,135 43
Interest		
Appropriation \$1,500 00		
Souhegan National Bank		
Short Term Notes	\$ 660 17	
Long Term Notes	1,070 32	
		----- \$ 1,730 49
Temporary Loans		
Souhegan National Bank		\$ 50,000 00
Long Term Notes		
Appropriation \$4,150 00		
Souhegan National Bank		\$ 4,150 00
Land Trust		
Mont Vernon Conservation Commission		\$ 8,295 00
Fire Apparatus		
Appropriation \$1,500 00		
W. G. Smith, Treas. Trustees of Trust Fund		
Fire Apparatus Fund		\$ 1,500 00
Fire House Septic System		
Appropriation \$1,500 00		
Thomas T. Moran, Septic System Engineering		\$ 348 45
Special Trust Funds		
W. G. Smith, Treas. Trustees of Trust Funds		
Christie A/C		\$ 1,275 00
State of New Hampshire		
Resident Tax	\$1,524 60	
Bond & Debt Retirement Tax	38 10	
		----- \$ 1,562 70
County Tax		
Hillsborough County		\$ 11,023 99
School Tax		
Eileen Naber, School Treasurer	\$134,217 41	
Betty Ryder, School Treasurer	98,000 00	
		----- \$232,217 41



## 1973 ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

### Summary

Winter Expended	\$ 7,186 84
Tarring Expended	5,997 95
Summer Expended	10,980 88
General Expended	921 64
Duncan Fund Expended	3,999 85
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Grand Total	\$29,087 16

## ROAD AGENT REPORT — 1973

Vendor	Winter	Tarring	Summer	General	Duncan
	\$	\$	\$	\$	Fund
W. Archibald, Labor	779.16	6.04	658.85	27.18	12.08
W. Archibald, Equipment	2,396.40	444.50	1,945.40		664.00
F. Salisbury	48.13			15.00	
H. Welch	494.75		92.40		64.00
H. Welch, Jr.	8.00				
E. Mack	577.25		392.50		
B. Tower	24.00				
A. Chancey	69.30	504.00	864.50		
O. Merrill	20.00				
W. Kirsch	547.60	67.50	1,143.60		457.40
A. Grugnale	66.60				
P. Salisbury	36.00				
W. Leach, Jr.	146.00	336.00	1,142.00		
G. Noyes	70.00	62.50	555.00		237.50
A. Houghton, Jr.	175.00	282.00	335.00		372.00
R. Tingley	87.60		223.20		
D. Wheeler Conts.	74.50		59.60		
R. Foote		252.00			854.00
P. Knight		40.50			
G. Nelson			444.00		
F. Chancey			121.60		251.60
W. Robbins					30.80

G. Houghton				108.80
W. Foote				24.00
T. Mansfield	324.00			
R. Riddle			30.00	
Lumbertown	66.04		55.32	
Int'l. Salt	107.16			
424.18				
McKay & Wright	67.19			
Ryder Concrete	928.88		87.38	564.47
L. Wright			505.40	359.20
Cohen Mach.	32.70			
Milford Asphalt	161.51		34.43	
N.H. Bituminous Prod.	3,841.40			
R. Hazelton			1,778.80	
Auto Elec.				89.02
Draper Fuel				85.75
County Store				12.95
Mont Vernon Variety				6.24
Motor Ser. Supply				145.36
Chadwick Ba-Ross				83.99
Rice Tire				323.42
Agway				10.90
Chappell Tractor				23.90
Daniels Garage				8.70
Bank Service Charge	6.44		7.88	3.91
Total Expenditures	\$7,186.84	\$5,997.95	\$10,980.88	\$ 921.64
Accounts Received 1973			134.20	\$3,999.85

## TRUSTEES OF GREENLAWN CEMETERY

### 1973 ANNUAL REPORT

The Trustees of Mont Vernon Greenlawn Cemetery, your cemetery, have initiated plans to improve and maintain the attractiveness of the area. Annually a number of broken or fallen headstones are being repaired as the budget and available labor will allow. A program of liming and fertilizing those areas of depleted soil is an on-going undertaking. The regrading and loaming of barren and sunken graves is being done as labor and time will also allow. Brush has been removed along the stone wall on Cemetery Road adjacent to the new area at the rear of the cemetery, and it is planned to repair the wall, or at least replace the fallen rocks.

Mowing and trimming of the entire cemetery is now on a seasonal periodic basis, which assists in maintaining the best appearance possible. Plans to improve the front area on Main Street with curbing and regrading have been withheld pending the street drainage program now in the planning stage by the N.H. State Highway Department. Money appropriated last year has not been expended and will be held in escrow pending its need to complete the State's participation. It is hoped that a cooperative program with that Agency will greatly improve the cemetery frontage and entrance.

With costs of materials and labor constantly increasing, the Trustees have incorporated the following new charges for lots and cemetery requirements:

- 10-ft. by 20-ft. Lot — \$100.00
- Grave opening — \$75.00
- Cremation opening — \$20.00
- Mowing and trimming — No charges
- Gravestones repaired at no charge
- New gravestones set at expense of owner and under direction of the Cemetery Trustees.

Perpetual Care — \$200.00 (no change)  
 Requested Work — \$3.00 per hour plus machine charges if necessary.

The Trustees request that the planting of flowers and shrubs be kept to a minimum and in close proximity of the headstone to facilitate mowing and trimming. Shrubs taller than the headstone are not permitted, nor are those plants and shrubs that require attention and care during the summer season. Jars, cans and containers should be set in the ground and will be removed by the custodian upon completion of their function. It is further requested that children not be allowed to play in the cemetery, since they have removed flags and flowers and, in several instances, tipped over gravestones in the past.

Suggestions for cemetery improvement will be greatly appreciated by the Trustees as well as labor and assistance in the annual spring clean-up of the area.

STANLEY D. LAWRENCE  
 FRANK C. BLANCHARD  
 GEORGE D. KITTREDGE  
 Cemetery Trustees

**MONT VERNON CEMETERY TRUST**  
**Year Ending December 31, 1973**

INCOME	
Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1972	\$ 208 76
Town Appropriation (1973)	400 00
Daland Trust	15 00
Trustees of Trust Funds — Perpetual Care	444 00
Grave Openings	150 00
Sale of Lots	175 00
Received for Perpetual Care	700 00
	\$2,092 76

## EXPENSES AND PAID OUTS

### Maintenance:

George Kittredge	\$ 800 00
Ed Davis – cutting trees	50 00
Jesse Pomeroy – moving brush	20 00
Oliver Merrill – loam, 1 load	28 00
George Kittredge – seed and lock	10 17
Merrimack Farmers – lime	34 60
Percy Salisbury – cutting brush	10 00

### Other:

Bank charge	3 00
Percy Salisbury – grave openings	150 00
W. G. Smith, Trust Funds – Perpetual Care Lots	700 00

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\$1,805 77

Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1973

286 99

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\$2,092 76

### Sale of Lots

Henry & Evelyn Osborne, 1 lot, June 13	\$ 50 00
Joe Heaney, ½ lot, Oct. 10	25 00
Walter & Eleanor Buraczynski, 1 lot, Nov. 20	50 00
Stanley Lawrence, 1 lot, Dec. 11	50 00

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\$175 00

### Received for Perpetual Care

Henry & Evelyn Osborne, June 13	\$200 00
Joe Heaney, Oct. 10	100 00
Walter & Eleanor Buraczynski, Nov. 20	200 00
Stanley Lawrence, Dec. 11	200 00

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\$700 00

## TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS

### PRINCIPAL CASH ACCOUNT AND INCOME ACCOUNT

#### Common Trust Fund

(Income to be used for maintenance of  
perpetual care lots in cemetery)

	Principal	Income
Cash in savings Bank, Jan. 1, 1973	\$ 6,690.24	\$ 8,211.84
Securities on Hand Jan. 1, 1973, purchased from Income		4,664.13
Income from Investments		2,372.46
New Perpetual Lots rec'd. 1973:		
Henry & Evelyn Osborne	200.00	
Joseph Heaney	100.00	
Walter & Eleanor Buraczynski	200.00	
Stanley D. Lawrence	200.00	
Gilbert Perham (1967)	200.00	
Frank Lamson (1968)	200.00	
Janet Patterson (1967)	200.00	
Alan Hazen (1968)	200.00	
Charles Holden (1968)	75.00	
Charles Holden (1973)	125.00	
A. W. Brougham (1971)	200.00	
Ralph Morgan (1967)	200.00	
Total to Account For	\$ 8,690.24	\$15,248.43
Paid to:		
Cemetery Trustees, Care of Lots		\$ 444.00
Wallace Press, Supplies		25.00
State of N.H., Reports		4.00
Purchase of Calculator		92.00
Preparation of 1972 Reports		150.00
Souhegan Nat'l. Bank, Box Rent		6.00
		\$ 721.00
Balance to account for, Dec. 31, 1973	\$ 8,690.24	\$14,527.43
Cash in Savings Bank, Dec. 31, 1973	\$690.24	\$3,863.30
Certificate of Deposit No. 62310		6,000.00
Certificate of Deposit No. 62311	6,000.00	
Certificate of Deposit No. 70049	2,000.00	
687 sh. Boston Fund at cost		3,669.83
156 sh. Puritan Fund at cost		994.30
	\$ 8,690.24	\$14,527.43

**Fidelia Whipple Shedd Fund**  
(Income to be used for general improvements  
in the Village of Mont Vernon)

	Principal	Income
Cash in Savings Bank, Jan. 1, 1973	\$ 1,886.75	\$ 289.00
Income from Investments		217.15
Capital Gains—Div. in Cash	166.86	
	\$ 2,053.61	\$ 506.15

**Clara Kendall Fund**  
(Income to be used for general improvements  
in the Cemetery)

	Principal	Income
Cash in Savings Bank, Jan. 1, 1973	\$ 1,175.83	\$ 647.68
Income from Investments		167.30
Capital Gains—Div. in Cash	247.95	
	\$ 1,433.78	\$ 814.98
Paid for Flowers, Memorial Day		33.00
	\$ 1,433.78	\$ 781.98

**Mary Bancroft and Jean Long Memorial Fund**  
(Income to be used for the beautification  
of the town of Mont Vernon)

	Principal	Income
Cash in Savings Bank, Jan. 1, 1973	\$ 3,993.27	
Income from Investments		\$ 572.90
Paid to Mont Vernon		
Beautification Committee		554.81
Transferred to Principal	6.73	6.73
	\$ 4,000.00	
Purchase C/D Amoskeag Bank	4,000.00	
	\$ 4,000.00	
Cash in Savings Bank, Dec. 31, 1973		\$ 11.36

**Fire Department Capital Reserve Fund**

Balance as of Jan. 1, 1973		\$ 1,500.00
Certificate of Deposit purchased 1973		1,500.00
Interest on Cdfs.		159.71
		\$ 3,159.71
Balance as of Dec. 31, 1973		\$ 3,159.71



## TRUST FUND PRINCIPAL INVESTMENTS

	Bal. 1/1/73	Gain	Bal. 12/31/73
<b>Common Trust Fund</b>			
876 Fidelity Fund	\$10,080.53		
21 Fidelity Fund		\$394.20	\$10,474.73
430 E&H Bal Fund	5,378.19		
28 E&H Bal Fund		293.69	5,671.88
100 Public Service	2,725.00		2,725.00
<b>Fidelia Whipple Shedd Fund</b>			
270 MIT	2,228.23		2,228.23
<b>Clara Kendall Fund</b>			
335 Putnam Fund	2,300.06		2,300.06
<b>Mary Bancroft and Jean Long Fund</b>			
484 Keystone	5,129.19		5,129.19
<b>Fire Dept. Capital Reserve Fund</b>			
2 Savings Certificates	3,000.00		3,000.00

## DALAND MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The Daland Memorial Library shared more of itself with the community in 1973. The story hour on Wednesday mornings sponsored by the Friends of the Library continues to be a great hit with the children. Two receptions were held on Sunday afternoons. On April 29, Mrs. Gladys Goodwin was honored at an open house at the library in recognition of her twenty-four years of devoted service as a Library Trustee. A plaque with her name and years of service was installed on the display case. On November 11, Mr. Phillip Boucher, the new principal of the Mont Vernon Elementary School, met with the townspeople for an enjoyable Sunday afternoon get-acquainted coffee.

New furniture arrived in April. The young children have especially enjoyed their reading table. Junior readers appreciate the comfortable size of their round table. The display case provides an appropriate place for collections and historic mementos.

A new set of The Comptons Encyclopedia arrived in March. It was chosen because of its top rating among professional library people. It has proved to be a worthwhile reference book for the town children. The library had 279 new volumes added to the shelves during the year, 85 adult fiction, 99 adult non-fiction, 36 junior fiction, 59 junior non-fiction. The Bookmobile brought 1767 volumes during the year on its four quarterly visits.

A telephone has been installed for library related business only. It will help the librarian to track down overdue books as well as inform people when a requested book becomes available.

The preliminary excavation for water and plumbing

facilities was done just before snowfall. It is hoped that water and lavatory facilities will be installed in early spring.

PHYLLIS GARNETT, Librarian

LINDA FOSTER

ADDIE ANN LAMBARTH, Assistant Librarians

JANE CONANT

MARK VAUGHN

BERNARD FOSTER, Trustees

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### Daland Memorial Library

December 31, 1973

Balance January 1, 1973		\$ 916 62
Friends of Library		25 00
Fines		40 00
Gifts		
In memory of Robert Milligan	\$201 00	
Daland Trust	200 00	
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Town of Mont Vernon		1,600 00
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		\$2,982 62
Salaries		\$ 777 15
Public Service	(1)	104 07
Books		1,057 94
New Hampshire Library		4 95
Expenses		74 45
Book List & Magazines		43 75
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		2,062 31
Unexpended Balance December 31, 1973	(2)	920 31
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		\$2,982 62
(1) To be reimbursed by Daland Trust		
(2) Expenditures since December 31, 1973		
Salaries (Oct.-Dec.)		\$ 235 50
Public Service		9 83
Books		133 69
Magazines		34 00
Telephone		18 60

Fund in Memory of Robert Milligan to be used for audio-visual equipment	201 00
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	\$ 632 62
Unexpended Balance as of date of this report January 31, 1974, encumbered for salaries and expenses thru March, 1974	287 69
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	\$ 920 31
MARK W. VAUGHN, Treasurer	

## MONT VERNON FIRE DEPARTMENT

**“Prevention is your best fire protection.”**

The proper way to summon the Mont Vernon Fire Department is to call 673-3131, which is the Milford Communication Center. They are equipped to sound the Mont Vernon Fire Alarm.

During 1973 your Department responded to 23 calls, the most serious being the total loss of a house trailer and a bedroom fire.

We have purchased 5 Motorola radio monitors on the fire frequency.

The Fire Department appreciates any paper left in the box at the Fire Station.

We urge you to be fire conscious at all times.

JOSEPH G. CARLETON, Chief  
FRANK C. BLANCHARD, Deputy Chief  
DONALD C. CHEEVER, Deputy Chief

## REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND DISTRICT CHIEF

The New Hampshire Forest Fire Service is represented in every town, city or unorganized place in our state by the forest fire warden. Anyone wishing to kindle an outside fire when the ground is not covered with snow must first obtain the written permission of the fire warden. Except for cooking fires, no fire can be kindled between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. unless it is a commercial or industrial burn, or it is raining. The fire warden is assisted in his work by the District Forest Fire Chief, who works for the Department of Resources and Economic Development Forest Fire Service.

Fire prevention was, again this year, the most important part of the Forest Fire Warden's job. Fire statistics show the need, with 72% of the fires caused by smoking, debris burning and children. Smokey the Bear is an important prevention tool, but he still needs much help from the public. Parents should warn their children of the hazards of playing with matches. Children tend to forget that a lighted match held in their hand is a potential forest fire.

### Forest Fire Record:

	State	District	Town
Fires reported	617	196	1
Acres burned	244	71	1/4
Acres average size	.395		

JOSEPH G. CARLETON, Forest Fire Warden

WINTHROP H. HANNAFORD, District Fire Chief

## REPORT OF POLICE CHIEF

In 1973 there were 103 various complaints investigated. Several houses and summer homes were broken into and burglarized. Many of these were not reported immediately due to the fact that many owners discovered the breaks on weekends when they came to their camps or summer homes.

It should be stressed to summer people that they should not leave televisions, stereos, or guns of any type in homes not permanently occupied.

State police have been called in on many breaks involving articles stolen from homes and have a record of such articles and try to identify owners and articles.

It would be greatly appreciated by the department if residents would report immediately anyone of a suspicious nature near unoccupied homes.

Motor vehicle accidents have been minor involving property damage or personal loss without serious injury.

Dog complaints are still a problem, especially collecting delinquent licenses. Eight summonses were served this year but all were paid up before court.

Total hours worked were 340, total miles covered 1003.

We wish to extend our thanks to the Milford Communication Center, the State Police and the police Departments of neighboring towns for all their assistance.

Respectfully submitted

OSWALD B.WILLIAMS, Chief of Police



## REPORT OF BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE — 1973

It is with much sadness that we report the passing of our fellow member, Carl A. Bardwell. He was a charter member of the committee since its inception (quite a few years now). It was he who gave so freely of his time and talents to make all the street signs and the two roadside signs north and south of the village. The best part was that he did all this with no thought of recompense.

It is our pleasure to announce that Carl W. Toreson has been chosen to fill Carl Bardwell's shoes.

Undoubtedly Mrs. Betty Cutter's financial statement will cover the various things accomplished this past year. However, we list several of the highlights done and not done in 1973.

In the interest of conservation, we did not do any Christmas lighting, etc. We regret this, as such lighting was really missed during the Christmas season. We believe that as individuals we will be able to cope with and find solutions to the various crises now faced and soon be able to reflect a true Christmas spirit.

The Beautification Committee refurbished the two roadside signs.

Not wishing to leave out any of the various persons who so ably worked on the cleaning up and various plantings of tulips and flowers in the Park, we will name only two: Mrs. Roberta Wilkins and Mrs. Barbara Buck. It was they who headed up a group of persons and saw to it that many tulip bulbs and annual flowers supplied by the committee were planted in the Town Park. Thanks to one and all! It will be a source of surprise to see where they finally "spring up." It seems that directly after the planting, the Park was turned topsy-turvey due to the installation of a leaching field, to service the Mont Vernon Library.

Another member, Miss Dora L. Edwards, asked to resign because she wished to take it a little easier. We accepted, with much regret, as she too was a charter member who

had done an excellent job. Both her and Carl's memory will live and be enjoyed by folks yet unborn and those still here, because two lovely Crimson King maple trees were planted in the Park in their memory.

Miss Dora Edwards was granted permission, with our thanks, to have the benches reconditioned.

A new flag was purchased and flower boxes maintained at the store in Mont Vernon.

Last but by no means least, we were really thrilled to accept from Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Cote the return of the original Mont Vernon watering trough. It has been temporarily moved to the Park and will be permanently positioned when a semblance of order returns to our cherished little town park.

The Committee is very glad to listen to and adjudicate on any suggestions made by our fellow Mont Vernonites. We will do all in our power, funds permitting, to cooperate with any suggestions which are thought to give the best value for the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER NORWOOD THOMPSON, Chairman  
Mont Vernon Beautification Committee

**MONT VERNON BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE  
TREASURER'S REPORT**

**INCOME**

1- 1-73	Balance on hand	\$323 03
2-12-73	Mary Bancroft/Jean Long Fund	51 35
2-28-73	Souhegan National Bank interest	3 39
3-20-73	M. Bancroft/J. Long Fund	87 12
4- 5-73	M. Bancroft/J. Long Fund	50 23
5-31-73	Souhegan National Bank interest	5 35
6-29-73	M. Bancroft/J. Long Fund	87 12
8- 3-73	M. Bancroft/J. Long Fund	50 22
8-31-73	Souhegan National Bank interest	5 25
9-15-73	M. Bancroft/J. Long Fund	87 12
10- 1-73	M. Bancroft/J. Long Fund	54 53
11-30-73	Souhegan National Bank interest	4 56
12-21-73	M. Bancroft/J. Long Fund	87 12
	Total Income	\$896 39

**EXPENSES**

5-22-73	Lester Perham — flag	\$ 12 00
5-24-73	Henderson's — flowers for boxes	17 00
6-22-73	Barbara Buck — flowers for park	8 60
7-20-73	Stan Maciejewski — trees for park	300 00
10-11-73	Burpees Flowerland — bulbs	48 26
12-14-73	Fred Salisbury — moving horse trough	35 00
12-21-73	Samuel Hanscom — work at town hall	120 00
	Total Expenses	\$540 86

Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1973	\$355 53
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Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH M. CUTTER, Treasurer

## CONSERVATION COMMISSION

1973 witnessed the culmination of the Commission's efforts to purchase the Purgatory Falls area with the passing of the deed on January 31st. The Commission accepted the deed on behalf of the town from the Souhegan Valley Land Trust.

In thinking about the future of Purgatory Falls the Commission enlisted professional help to develop a utilization plan of the area. We have such a plan with recommendations that the area be properly managed but not extensively developed, and that the main uses continue to be outdoor recreation activities such as picnicking, sightseeing, hiking, wild flower study, etc. Some proposed improvements include forest management, water quality monitoring, culvert repairs on Upton Road, picnic tables, nature trails, foot crossings and guard rails at the falls' site, and simple sign construction. Two of our members represent Mont Vernon on the Purgatory Management Committee. They meet periodically with Lyndeboro members to coordinate planning of any work projects.

At last year's town meeting the Commission offered for the town's acceptance a warrant article providing that seven town roads be designated Scenic Roads as provided in N.H. RSA 253:17. The article was readily accepted. We feel this will help preserve the character of the town.

Our woodland work this past year included the planting of nearly one thousand (1,000) Norway Spruce seedlings on the Purgatory land. We also did a little clearing and planting of Myrtle and tulip bulbs at the George O. Carleton Park. The improvements should really show up this Spring.

Presently the Commission is working on a formal proposal as to how the various parcels of town owned land might best be used in the future. This will be completed in 1974 and presented to the Selectmen for future reference.

As we sign off you will note that the Commission has increased from five to seven members.

CHARLES W. BUCK, Chairman  
SUSAN O'HALLORAN, Secretary  
JAN HAVINGA, Treasurer  
VERNON WILKINS  
ADELE WASSELL  
PAUL SCHNEIDERHAN  
RICHARD TROW

### Financial Statement

Balance as of 1 January 1973	\$825 62
Income:	
Am. Soil Cons. Services, 11 Jan.	74 00
Interest, 28 Feb.	39 45
Interest, 31 May	9 00
Interest, 31 Aug.	5 39
Interest, 30 Nov.	3 24
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	\$956 70
Expenses:	
Souhegan Valley Land Trust, 23 Jan.	\$ 60 00
Deed Registr., Purgatory Land, 7 Feb.	7 58
Plan Purgatory Land, 26 Apr.	200 00
Plan Purgatory Land, 31 July	425 00
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	\$692 58
Balance as of 31 December 1973	264 12
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	\$956 70

## RECREATION COMMISSION REPORT — 1973

Popular recreational activities of previous years were continued in 1973. The summer baseball program was very well attended. The program consisted of a boys' night and a girls' night, with "small fry" divisions for ages 4 through 8. We averaged 25 children each night. This program could be improved to include more children with the coming of more volunteers. The effort consists of one night a week for about 10 weeks. The kids would welcome your help!

The Prescott Dows let us use their pool for our two-week swimming instruction class, which was expertly taught by Mrs. Robert Windt. The program is excellently attended by all age groups. The format of the program is structured into ability groups, starting with non-swimmers and continuing through lifesaving. Participants' progress is monitored, and as ability increases promotion to a higher level is made. Swimming ability is vital to safe water sport, and we are very pleased with this program's acceptance, both as parents and commission members.

We held our third annual Halloween night with the showing of cartoons. About 75 children attended. Even the parents enjoyed it.

The Conservation Commission gave its permission to use Carleton Pond as an ice skating area. We proceeded to make many unsuccessful attempts at keeping the area clear of snow; we will continue, hopefully, with more success in the future.

We began an Oil Painting class in January. Your support, interest, and comments are needed to help direct our activities in the future.

### Recreation Commission Financial Statement

Cash, January 1, 1973	\$114 57
Receipts from Town	300 00
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	\$414 57

Expenses:

Swimming Program	\$105 00
Softball	14 94
Halloween	12 60
Christmas Party	15 00
Miscellaneous	25 14
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	\$172 68
Balance, January 1, 1974	\$241 89

DAVE BROWN  
TED FOSTER  
LOUISE WINSOR  
EILEEN NABER  
TOM BUCHERT, Chairman

## MONT VERNON PLANNING BOARD

The Mont Vernon Planning Board takes this opportunity to ask for your help. We need to know what you would like to have us consider for future planning efforts.

Give us your suggestions and comments, either by writing a letter to the Planning Board or by attending our regular monthly meeting, which is usually held on the fourth Monday of each month at 8 p.m. at the fire station.

Along with our regular business of working with sub-dividers on the review and approval of sub-divisions, we will be considering new suggestions and recommendations for wetlands zoning and cluster zoning. We will also be considering other problems which come up in many areas of the Town's future.

Please let us hear from you.

### **Report of Committee to Study and Recommend Commemoration to Veterans of Korean and Vietnam Conflicts**

In considering the possibilities of commemorating the veterans, it would appear most desirable to add to or expand the present War Memorial Statue located in the Town Park.

There are approximately forty names that are eligible for commemoration. For this reason the committee is of the opinion that two 12 inch—16 inch high by 30 inches long, slant stones, one on each side of the present Memorial, would be most attractive.

Estimates on the price of these stones, including engraving, is in the range of \$500.00, total.

WILLIAM O. LAMSON  
W. GUILD SMITH  
ROBERT STRAW, Committee



## BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

### Building Permits for 1972

Permits Issued	No.	Applicant's Estimated Value
Total	33	\$865,126 00
Residential	21	835,531 00
Accessory	3	2,600 00
Additions	9	26,995 00

### Building Permits for 1973

Permits Issued	No.	Applicant's Estimated Value
Total	38	\$1,504,600 00
Residential	31	1,470,500 00
Accessory	5	23,100 00
Additions	2	11,000 00

Fees collected and remitted to Town Treasurer \$835 00

2 applications being held for further information.

HAROLD STRONCER, Building Inspector

## Town of Mont Vernon

### Report of Regional Refuse Disposal District Planning Committee

*Introduction* — On March 5, 1969, the New Hampshire Air Pollution Control Commission adopted Regulation 2 abolishing open burning waste disposal. Mont Vernon must stop burning at its dump by July 1, 1975 while other larger towns, such as Amherst, must stop by 1974. Prohibition of open burning leads directly to other methods of solid waste disposal—either incineration or sanitary land fill which are both more economical when operated on a large scale. Because Amherst had an early cut-off date for open burning, the town asked its Air Pollution Committee to study the solid waste disposal problem and make recommendations. The committee's report, submitted in the fall of 1971, said that sanitary landfill was the only economic way to go and recommended that a regional approach to landfill be considered.

*Regional Refuse Disposal Districts* — New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated provides, under Chapter 53-B, for establishing Regional Refuse Disposal Districts, which are similar in concept to Regional School Districts. Regional districts, for whatever purpose established, have many of the same powers as towns. They can incur debt, issue bonds, and, indirectly, levy taxes. The first step in establishing a Regional Refuse disposal District is for the individual towns, by vote of a town meeting, to establish a study committee. Based on discussions among the selectmen of Amherst, Hollis, Brookline, and Mont Vernon during the Spring of 1973, special town meetings were called in the various towns on June 5, 1973, and all four towns voted to establish a Regional Disposal Planning Committee. In Mont Vernon, the moderator, Mr. George Kittredge, appointed the following:

Lawrence H. Corbett, Chairman  
Charles Buck, Member  
Richard Trow, Member

*Regional Refuse Disposal Planning Board* – The Planning Board, which consists of the committees from each of the several towns, held its first meeting on August 6, 1973 and has been meeting regularly ever since. The Planning Board elected John Bachman of Amherst as the Chairman, and he organized three subcommittees. The subcommittees are:

*Regional Organization* – responsible for a draft agreement.

*Regional Landfill* – study operation of a regional landfill including collection and transportation.

*Recycling* – study methods and economics of recycling.

*Regional Organization* – The Regional Organization Subcommittee met several times and drafted an agreement based on an agreement for a similar situation among several towns in Massachusetts. The basic points of the agreement are that capital costs are shared on the basis of equalized valuation and operating costs are shared on the basis of usage as estimated by population. The Regional Refuse Disposal District is operated by a committee appointed by the selectmen of the individual towns. The committee would consist of one member for each town plus one member for each 5000 population in a town over 5000.

*Regional Landfill* – A great deal of study has gone into the details of operation of the landfill and two important points have emerged. First, there are tremendous opportunities for economics of scale in operation of the landfill itself. This means, for instance, that it would cost about the

same for Amherst to operate its own landfill as it would for the Region to operate a landfill, but the region has twice as many people as Amherst does so that the cost per capita to operate a regional landfill is about half what it would be for Amherst to operate its own landfill.

Second, the costs of transporting refuse to a regional landfill chew up an awful lot of the savings to be had from regionalizing the landfill, but this only applies to the non-host towns. The host town, where transportation can be eliminated, benefits greatly from regionalization.

The basic conclusions of the Planning Board are:

1. A landfill site in Amherst is feasible. The site under consideration is the one which Amherst has been negotiating for and it meets the state requirements for landfills.

2. Regional operation is significantly less expensive for Amherst, and marginally cheaper for Hollis, Mont Vernon, and Brookline. As populations grow, it gets cheaper for everybody.

3. Hollis, Brookline, and Mont Vernon will each operate a collection point at their own expense. The collection point will consist of a fixed compactor and a large transportable box. Refuse like stumps, brush, big appliances, car bodies, etc., won't be eligible to go to the landfill and will be handled pretty much as they have been in the past.

*Recycling* – The subcommittee report on recycling basically concluded that recycling costs money at the present time, and so should not be included in the regional plans. The present energy crisis could easily change the economics of recycling and, if so, the local collection points are the perfect place to do separation and storage for recycling. Recycling could be added, on a local basis, at any time to the regional refuse disposal scheme.

*Summary* – The enclosed summary sheet shows the costs associated with each of the major operations and what share is borne by each town.

*Impact on Mont Vernon* — The biggest impact of regional refuse disposal on Mont Vernon would be that dump costs would go from \$1,500 to close to \$10,000 per year. This would mean an increase in the tax rate of 14 cents per \$100 of valuation or about \$35 for Mont Vernon's average property owner. The important point is that it would cost a lot more if Mont Vernon were to try to go it alone. Mont Vernon has no land, that we know of, suitable for a landfill and it's entirely likely that gravel would have to be trucked into town if we tried to run our own landfill.

Regionalization also means that our present dump site will last for many years for brush and stumps, there will no longer be blowing papers, smoke, or ground water pollution. Rats will disappear and all in all the dump will become a much better neighbor.

Your committee recommends a vote in favor of establishing a Regional Refuse Disposal District.

Respectfully Submitted,

LAWRENCE H. CORBETT, Chairman  
CHARLES BUCK  
RICHARD TROW

### Summary of Estimated Costs for a Regional Refuse Disposal District

Town	Equalized Valuation	% Total Eq. Val.	Population	% Total Pop.	Capital Share	Operation Share	Transfer Cost	Total
Amherst	\$ 65,177,941	54.6	6,700	55.6	\$10,172	\$13,622	\$ - - -	\$23,794
Brookline	11,904,439	10.0	1,400	11.6	1,863	2,842	5,560	10,265
Hollis	33,326,136	27.9	2,900	24.1	5,198	5,905	9,200	20,303
Mont Vernon	9,012,066	7.5	1,050	8.2	1,397	2,131	4,650	8,178
	<u>\$119,420,582</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>12,050</u>	<u>100.0</u>	<u>\$18,630</u>	<u>\$24,500</u>	<u>\$19,410</u>	<u>\$62,540</u>

## MINUTES OF ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

March 6, 1973

10:00 a.m. The Annual Town Meeting declared open by Moderator George D. Kittredge who then proceeded to read Town Warrant. Reading of School Warrant by Moderator of School District, Roland E. Christie, Jr.

10:04 a.m. Polls declared open by Moderator.

7:30 p.m. Moderator Kittredge suspended voting while meeting proceeded to take up balance of articles in Town Warrant. Prayer offered by Rev. David E. Svenson followed by pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Article 2. Motion by Charles M. Puckette, seconded by Keith E. Pomeroy, to defer taking any action on Article 2 until completion of Article 9. Motion adopted.

Article 3. Motion by William O. Lamson, seconded by Charles M. Puckette, to accept reports of all Town Officers, Agents, Auditors, Committees etc., and raise and appropriate any money relative thereto as printed in Town Report. Motion adopted.

Article 4. Motion by Keith E. Pomeroy, seconded by Robert A. Damoiseau, to adopt article as in Warrant authorizing the Selectmen and Treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes. Motion adopted.

Article 5. Motion by Joseph G. Carleton, seconded by Vernon B. Wilkins, to adopt article as in Warrant to appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 from Revenue Sharing Fund for the purpose of purchasing new fire department hose. Motion adopted.

Article 6. Motion by Charles M. Puckette, seconded by Albert C. Dudley, to adopt article as in Warrant to appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 from Revenue Sharing Fund to be transferred to the Capital Reserve Fund established for the purchase of new fire apparatus. Motion adopted.

Article 7. Motion by William O. Lamson, seconded by Keith E. Pomeroy, to adopt article as in Warrant to appropriate the sum of \$500.00 from Revenue Sharing Fund to

pay Mont Vernon's share of Communication Center expenses. Motion adopted.

Article 8. Motion by Keith E. Pomeroy, seconded by Charles M. Puckette, to appropriate the sums of \$270.00 for Park's Christmas tree lights and \$280.00 for Recreation for total appropriation of \$550.00 from Revenue Sharing Fund as printed in Town Report. Motion adopted.

Article 9. Motion by Charles M. Puckette, seconded by Keith E. Pomeroy, to adopt article as in Warrant to appropriate the sum of \$3,375.00 from Revenue Sharing Fund for improvement of Class V roads. Motion adopted.

Article 2. Motion by Charles M. Puckette, seconded by Keith E. Pomeroy, to amend budget as printed in Town Report by deleting \$500.00 for Communication Center, \$550.00 for Recreation and Parks, \$3,375.00 for improvement of Class V roads, and \$1,500.00 for purchase of new fire apparatus. Amendment to amendment. Motion by Mark Vaughn, seconded by several, to amend motion so as not to delete \$3,375.00 for Town Winter and Summer maintenance for roads but leave it in budget at \$18,000.00. Amendment to amended motion defeated. Voted to adopt motion as amended for a total budget of \$47,342.29.

Article 10. Motion by Joseph G. Carleton, seconded by J. Justin Pestana, to see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 to construct a septic system to be used by the fire department, Library and Town Hall. After much discussion the Daland Library Trustees said they would take care of providing septic system for library. Amendment. Motion by Joseph G. Carleton, seconded by J. Justin Pestana, that the sum of \$1,500.00 by raised and appropriated to construct a septic system for use of fire department and Town hall. Amendment to amendment. Motion by Perley E. Trow, seconded by Janet M. Williams, that the Selectmen appoint a committee to investigate the use of gas chemical toilets for use in fire house and Town hall. Amendment to amendment defeated. Motion as amended adopted.



Article 11. Motion by Frank C. Blanchard, seconded by W. Guild Smith, to adopt article as printed in Town Report to raise and appropriate the sum of \$550.00 for the purpose of restoring the cemetery wall, sidewalk and curb on Main Street. Motion adopted.

Article 12. Motion by William O. Lamson, seconded by Robert A. Damoiseau, to adopt article as printed in Town Report as long as roads are laid out, constructed and approved in accordance with the Sub-Division Regulations of the Town of Mont Vernon. Motion adopted.

Article 13. Motion by Keith E. Pomeroy, seconded by Robert A. Damoiseau, to adopt article as printed in Town Report to have the town ratify, confirm and approve the action of the Selectmen in executing a certain contract dated August 31, 1972, between the Town of Mont Vernon and United Ambulance and Limousine Service, Inc., providing for the availability of ambulance service for residents of the Town of Mont Vernon for the period September 1, 1972 through December 31, 1973 at a total cost to the Town of \$1,698.75 for such service. Motion adopted.

Article 14. Motion by Virginia M. Harcovitz, seconded by Keith E. Pomeroy, to adopt article as printed in Town Report to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,272.00 for the purpose of providing for the availability of such ambulance service to the residents of the Town of Mont Vernon from January 1, 1973 to December 31, 1973. Amendment. Motion by Robert A. Damoiseau, seconded by Keith E. Pomeroy, that the Selectmen have the authority to negotiate a contract through 1974 Town Meeting. Amendment adopted. Article as amended adopted.

Article 15. Motion by Roy A. Thomsen, seconded by Robert A. Damoiseau, to adopt article as printed in Town Report. Amendment: Motion by Garth E. Witty, seconded by Frank N. Tower, that holes dug should be filled in 24 hours after water level approval. Amendment withdrawn following motion by Howard T. Welch, seconded by Joseph G. Carleton, to adopt article as printed in Town Report with

the exception the 24 hours be changed to 48 hours. Amendment adopted. Amendment: Motion by David E. Trow, seconded by A. Arthur McKew, such holes shall be backhoed and shall be protected by fence or cover during 48 hour interim. Amendment adopted. Original motion adopted with amendments.

Article 16. Motion by Charles W. Buck, seconded by Robert A. Damoiseau, to correct Section 1 to read: Brook Road from New Boston Road to Amherst town line and Section 2 so as to read: Old Amherst Road from Main Street to Amherst town line and adopt article with these two corrections. Motion adopted.

Article 17. Motion by Charles M. Puckette, seconded by Robert A. Damoiseau, to adopt article as printed in Town Report that the Moderator appoint a committee of 3 citizens to study and recommend appropriate commemoration of veterans of the Korean and Vietnam conflicts. Motion adopted. Moderator Kittredge appointed William O. Lamson, Robert T. Straw and W. Guild Smith.

Article 18. Keith E. Pomeroy suggested the Meeting give William O. Lamson a rising vote of thanks for his loyal and faithful service to the Town as Selectman for 15 years and Road Agent for 28 years. It was so done.

8:52 p.m. Meeting reverted to Article 1 in Town Warrant and Articles in School Warrant.

9:01 p.m. Polls declared closed by Moderator.

Moderator read report submitted by Library Study Committee in compliance with Article 24 of 1972 Town Warrant and then stated said report should be printed in next issue of the Milford Cabinet and be incorporated in the minutes of the 1973 Town Meeting.

#### Library Study Committee Report

As instructed by the Town Moderator, the Library Study Committee has made a study of the Daland Fund in order to carry out the desires of the Town as expressed at last Town Meeting. The Committee has made such study as it

deemed necessary to enable it to reach conclusions consistent with the capabilities of the members.

The Committee, after study and review, concludes that the Trustees of the Daland "Library Fund" are currently acting in accordance with the statement and intent of the will of the late Sophia G. Daland insofar as the Daland Memorial Library is concerned. The will appears to grant to the Trustees of the Fund every right to determine, based on their own judgment, what expenditures from the income of the Library Fund shall be made so long as they are made for the purposes of the Library. It also grants the Trustees of the Fund the right to govern the use and management of the Library. Specifically, these rights appear to be granted in the following excerpts from the will:

"I hereby give to the Trustees full power and authority to make such rules and regulations as to the use and management of said building and library and to make such expenditure of the income from the said Library Fund, as, in their judgment will best contribute to the general and public usefulness of said Library."

In reaching this conclusion, the Committee recognizes its limitations in the field of law and therefore suggests that Town Counsel might more adequately render an interpretation on this point, taking into consideration possible conflicts between State Law and the will. The Committee also finds itself in no position to determine the procedure for requiring the reporting of the financial status of the Fund in the Town Report annually and suggests that this determination might also be made by Town Counsel.

Based on its conclusions, the Library Study Committee suggests that operation of the Library might be improved if the organization of the Library were changed so as to substitute for the Board of Trustees of the Daland Memorial Library a Library Operating Committee composed of three members for the purpose of handling the routine operation of the Library, responsible to and under the general direction of the Trustees of the Daland Library Fund.

The Committee further recommends that with the submission of this report, the Committee be discharged as having completed its assigned task.

Respectfully submitted,

Library Study Committee

ALBERT C. DUDLEY, Chairman  
BETTY CUTTER  
ROGER W. CROUCH

11:46 p.m. Moderator Roland E. Christie, Jr., read results of balloting for School District Officers and declared the following elected:

Moderator	Walter D. Kilian
School Board Member	Robert Naber
Treasurer	Betty Ryder
Clerk	Jo Ann K. Smith
Auditor	David W. Hayden
Auditor	Alan J. Smith

11:47 p.m. Moderator George D. Kittredge read results of balloting for Town Officers and declared the following elected:

Town Clerk	Ruth L. Carey
Selectman	Lawrence H. Corbett
Treasurer	Dorothy C. Smith
Tax Collector	Ruth L. Carey
Road Agent	Willard Archibald
Overseer of Public Welfare	Perley E. Trow
Trustee of Trust Funds	W. Guild Smith
Library Trustee (3 years)	Jane B. Conant
Library Trustee (1 year)	Bernard S. Foster

Cemetery Trustee (3 years)	Stanley D. Lawrence
Cemetery Trustee (2 years)	George D. Kittredge
Fireward	Joseph G. Carleton
Auditor	David W. Hayden
Auditor	Alan J. Smith

11:49 p.m. Motion by Roland E. Christie, Jr., seconded by several that Town Meeting be adjourned. Motion adopted.

All newly elected Town and School District officers present were sworn in by George D. Kittredge, Justice of the Peace.

### SPECIAL TOWN MEETING – JUNE 5, 1973

7:30 p.m. George D. Kittredge Moderator lead Meeting in salute to the flag followed by prayer offered by Rev. David E. Svenson.

Reading of Warrant by Moderator.

7:33 p.m. Meeting declared open by Moderator. Motion by Keith E. Pomeroy, seconded by Charles M. Puckette, to adopt Article as in Warrant to establish a Dump Study Committee according to R.S.A. 53:13. Motion Adopted.

Moderator Kittredge appointed the following to serve on said committee: Lawrence H. Corbett, Chairman, Charles M. Buck and Richard A. Trow, Sr.

7:43 p.m. Motion by Charles M. Puckette, seconded by Robert Straw to adjourn meeting. Motion adopted.

## Births Registered in Town of Mont Vernon For the Year Ending December 31, 1973

<i>Date &amp; Place of Birth</i>	<i>Name of Child</i>	<i>Name of Father</i>	<i>Name of Mother</i>
May 9, Nashua	Travis John Mason	Dana Russell Mason	Sandra Sue Stanford
May 10, Nashua	Michael David MacAdams	Stuart Charles MacAdams	Jean Williams
May 14, Nashua	David Andrew McKew	A. Arthur McKew	Sherry Elaine Kizik
July 1, Nashua	Nicholas Edward Paradis	Kenneth Herve Paradis, Jr.	Cheryl Dee Hickey
July 1, Mont Vernon	Molly Hatfield	Steven Richard Hatfield	Jane Lynn Waterman
August 8, Nashua	Simon Robert Straub	Allen Nevin Straub	Christine Faith Loraine
August 11, Nashua	Tammy Lee Towne	Paul Edward Towne	Brenda Lee Payne
September 5, Nashua	Tamatha May Sexton	Thomas Michael Sexton	Wendy May Strong
December 4, Nashua	Angela May Davis	Edward George Davis	Evelyn Ruth Randall
December 6, Nashua	Edward George Joslin, Jr.	Edward George Joslin, Sr.	Joyce Ann Robinson
December 21, Nashua	Bradley Thomas Clegg	Thomas J. Clegg	Sheila A. Mosier

## Marriages Registered in Town of Mont Vernon For the Year Ending December 31, 1973

<i>Date and Place of Marriage</i>	<i>Names of Bride &amp; Groom</i>	<i>Residence at Time of Marriage</i>
March 10, Mont Vernon	Jorg -- Pleisch	Mont Vernon
June 23, Rindge	Claudia -- Bartholdi	Mont Vernon
June 24, Nashua	Endry Raymond Torres	Mont Vernon
June 30, Mont Vernon	Sandra Jean Howard	Manchester
June 27, Weare	Ronald Owen Wilson, Jr.	Nashua
July 13, Mont Vernon	Cynthia Ann Crawley	Mont Vernon
July 8, Mont Vernon	William John Cavanaugh	Mont Vernon
July 28, Wilton	Susan Paula Johnson	Mont Vernon
July 7, Nashua	William Francis Hoyt, Sr.	Mont Vernon
August 1, Mont Vernon	Althea May Canney	Mont Vernon
September 5, Merrimack	Richard Clayton Moore	Milford
September 8, Mont Vernon	Judith P. Moore	Mont Vernon
October 20, Milford	Ronald -- Whitten	Milford
November 21, Mont Vernon	Cynthia Barbara Westfall	Mont Vernon
November 23, New Boston	Gary Lee Daniels	Milford
December 9, Mont Vernon	Catherine Gayle Wood	Mont Vernon
	Andrew Norman Weston	Nashua
	Kathleen Ann Lyons	Mont Vernon
	Thomas Michael Sexton	Mont Vernon
	Wendy May Strong	Wilton
	Wayne Donald Tremblay	Mont Vernon
	Corinne Jeannette Durette	Merrimack
	David Charles Marshall	Mont Vernon
	Brenda May Ruonala	Milford
	Lawrence Maurice LaFleur, Jr.	Milford
	Tracey Ann Brown	Mont Vernon
	Edward George Joslin	Wilton
	Joyce Ann Robinson	Mont Vernon
	James Caleb Johnson, Jr.	Mont Vernon
	Jean Marolyn Smith	New Boston
	David Arthur Munro	Mont Vernon
	Debra Jane Hall	Amherst

## Deaths Registered in Town of Mont Vernon For the Year Ending December 31, 1973

<i>Date &amp; Place of Death</i>	<i>Name of Deceased</i>	<i>Age</i>	<i>Name of Father</i>	<i>Name of Mother</i>
March 22, Manchester	Charles Albion Bardwell	84	Fred L. Bardwell	Eliza - Hodgdon
May 7, Boston, Mass.	Julianne M. Heaney	19	Joseph P. Heaney	Elaine V. Proctor
July 20, Milford	Ralph Burnham Salisbury	63	Edwin Salisbury	Vesta Tracy
July 27, Nashua	Eva M. Blake	85	William P. Jenkins	Diann A. Green
Sept. 15, Mont Vernon	Robert Louis Milligan	59	Thomas Rodger Milligan	Louise Vogel
Dec. 23, Mont Vernon	Janet Stirrat Bryce	65	David Stirrat	Agnes Livingston

## Brought Here for Burial

<i>Date of Burial</i>	<i>Residence</i>	<i>Name of Deceased</i>	<i>Age</i>
December 27, 1972	Moorestown, N.J.	Elizabeth - Wehle	67
February 5, 1973	New Boston, N.H.	Emily Josephine Byam	89
December 31, 1973	Andover, Mass.	Minnie E. N. Wells	90
December 31, 1973	Concord, N.H.	Samuel O. Garnett	58



ANNUAL REPORTS  
*of the*  
School District Officers  
*of*  
Mont Vernon, N. H.  
*for the*  
*Year Ending June 30, 1973*

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## MONT VERNON SCHOOL DISTRICT

### School Officers — 1973-74

#### SCHOOL BOARD

Mr. Robert Damoiseau	Term Expires 1974
Mrs. Susan Rotch, Chairman	Term Expires 1975
Mr. Robert Naber, Vice Chairman	Term Expires 1976

Roland L. Schoepf Superintendent

Marion Jacques Dube Assistant Superintendent

Julius J. D'Agostino Assistant Superintendent

Richard G. Lilly Business Administrator

Jo Ann Smith Clerk

Betty Ryder Treasurer

Walter Kilian Moderator

Oswald Williams Truant Officer

Jan J. Tigchelaar, M.D. Physician

Nancy Straw, R.N. Nurse

Jo Ann Smith Census Enumerator

Alan Smith Auditor

David Hayden Auditor

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

### 1973-1974

<b>Begin</b>	<b>Close</b>	
Sept. 5 (Wed.)	Dec. 21 (Fri.)	73 days (Oct. 8, 19; Nov. 12, 22, 23 — No School)
Jan. 2 (Wed.)	Feb. 15 (Fri.)	33 days
Feb. 25 (Mon.)	April 19 (Fri.)	40 days
April 29 (Mon.)	June 19 (Wed.)	37 days (May 30 — No School)
		<hr/> 183 days

### 1974-1975

Sept. 4 (Wed.)	Dec. 20 (Fri.)	73 days (Oct. 10, 14; Nov. 11, 28, 29 — No School)
Jan. 2 (Thurs.)	Feb. 14 (Fri.)	32 days
Feb. 24 (Mon.)	April 25 (Fri.)	45 days
May 5 (Mon.)	June 19 (Thurs.)	33 days (May 30 — No School)
		<hr/> 183 days

## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING

### The State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Mont Vernon qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the eighth day of March 1974, at 7:30 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the annual compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.

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

3. To choose Agents and committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

4. To see if the district will vote to authorize the School Board to make application for and accept on behalf of the district any or all grants or other funds for educational purposes which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government or from the State of New Hampshire or from any other source.

5. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise and appropriate to complete the requirements of the Fire Marshal's report of March 29, 1973 and other repairs necessary to the building.

6. To see if the district will vote pursuant to RSA 31:105 to provide indemnification for school administrators, school board members, district officers or agents, from personal loss or expense including reasonable legal fees and costs, if any, arising out of any claim, demand, suit or judgment by reason of negligence or other act resulting in accidental injury to a person or accidental damage to property providing the indemnified person was at the time of the accident within the scope of his employment or office.

7. To see if the school district will vote to authorize the school board to purchase a comprehensive general liability insurance policy in order to protect the school district officers, administrative staff and itself against personal liability suits.

8. By Petition: To see if the school district will vote to increase the school board from three to five members as provided in the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated Relating to Public Schools, Chapter 197, Section 15, with one new member elected for two years and one member elected for three years, the same to be elected at the next annual school meeting.

9. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the schools, for the payment of salaries for school district officials and agents, and for payment of the statutory obligations of the district.

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

Given under our hands at said Mont Vernon this seventh day of February 1974.

SUSAN R. ROTCH  
ROBERT H. NABER  
ROBERT A. DAMOISEAU, School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

SUSAN R. ROTCH  
ROBERT H. NABER  
ROBERT A. DAMOISEAU, School Board

## WARRANT FOR ANNUAL SCHOOL MEETING

The State of New Hampshire

Polls to open at 10:00 a.m. — Close not earlier than 8:30 p.m.

To the Inhabitants of the School district in the town of Mont Vernon qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the fifth day of March 1974, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To choose Auditors for the ensuing year.

Given under our hands at said Mont Vernon this seventh day of February 1974.

SUSAN R. ROTCH  
ROBERT H. NABER  
ROBERT A. DAMOISEAU, School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

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## MONT VERNON BUDGET — 1974-75

CATEGORY	Budgeted 1972-73	Actual 1972-73	Budgeted 1978-74	Proposed 1974-75
<b>100 Series Administration</b>				
110 Salaries of District Officers:				
School Board	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00	\$ 350.00
Treasurer	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Clerk	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Moderator	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Auditors	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
Ballot Clerks	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
<b>Total 110</b>	<b>442.00</b>	<b>442.00</b>	<b>442.00</b>	<b>442.00</b>
135 Contracted Services:				
Census	25.00	40.00	50.00	50.00
Police	10.00	10.00	10.00	10.00
School District Counsel	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00
<b>Total 135</b>	<b>135.00</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>160.00</b>	<b>160.00</b>
190 Other Expenses of Administration				
Treasurer's Expense	60.00	35.36	30.00	30.00
School Board Association	75.00	75.00	125.00	125.00
Other School Board Expenses	100.00	273.50	100.00	100.00
Long Range Study Committee	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00
<b>Total 190</b>	<b>235.00</b>	<b>683.86</b>	<b>555.00</b>	<b>255.00</b>
<b>100 Series Total</b>	<b>812.00</b>	<b>1,175.86</b>	<b>1,157.00</b>	<b>857.00</b>



## MONT VERNON BUDGET -- 1974-75

### 200 Series Instruction

	Budgeted 1972-73	Actual 1972-73	Budgeted 1973-74	Proposed 1974-75
210 Salaries	80,757.00	72,026.00	78,731.00	86,852.00
Fringe Benefits	2,800.00	1,156.76	2,725.00	3,824.00
<b>Total 210</b>	<b>83,557.00</b>	<b>73,182.76</b>	<b>81,456.00</b>	<b>90,676.00</b>
215 Textbooks	550.00	525.58	547.00	651.00
220 Library and Audio Visual	1,000.00	855.86	1,000.00	993.00
230 Teaching Supplies	3,658.00	3,214.28	3,975.00	4,000.00
235 Contracted Services:				
T.V.	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00
Testing	200.00	28.87	100.00	113.00
<b>Total 235</b>	<b>200.00</b>	<b>28.87</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>188.00</b>
290 Other Expenses of Instruction:				
Office Fund	50.00	50.00	60.00	60.00
Professional Books	44.00	36.28	0.00	50.00
Report Cards	30.00	29.25	30.00	50.00
Conferences	95.00	25.00	95.00	200.00
Tests	0.00	12.00	0.00	0.00
Printing	28.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
School Records and Forms	50.00	54.50	50.00	15.00
<b>Total 290</b>	<b>297.00</b>	<b>207.03</b>	<b>235.00</b>	<b>425.00</b>
<b>200 Series Total</b>	<b>89,262.00</b>	<b>78,014.38</b>	<b>87,313.00</b>	<b>96,933.00</b>
300 Series Attendance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
400 Series Health	1,215.00	1,071.34	984.00	1,308.00

## MONT VERNON BUDGET -- 1974-75

	Budgeted 1972-73	Actual 1972-73	Budgeted 1973-74	Proposed 1974-75
<b>500 Series Transportation</b>				
School Bus	11,220.00	11,480.00	11,480.00	21,000.00
Field Trips	200.00	195.00	200.00	350.00
Handicapped (not local school bus)	3,330.00	909.80	3,032.00	2,832.00
Late Bus	1,080.00	1,080.00	1,080.00	1,080.00
<b>500 Series Total</b>	<b>15,830.00</b>	<b>13,664.80</b>	<b>15,792.00</b>	<b>25,262.00</b>
<b>600 Series Operation of Plant</b>				
610 Salaries	4,500.00	4,500.00	4,747.00	5,080.00
630 Supplies	770.00	690.02	770.00	800.00
635 Contracted Services	400.00	263.00	400.00	400.00
640 Heat	2,100.00	2,290.82	2,100.00	3,192.00
645 Utilities	1,450.00	1,293.44	1,560.00	1,921.00
<b>600 Series Total</b>	<b>9,220.00</b>	<b>9,037.28</b>	<b>9,577.00</b>	<b>11,393.00</b>
<b>700 Series Maintenance of Plant</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>1,733.81</b>	<b>955.00</b>	<b>1,075.00</b>
<b>800 Series Fixed Charges</b>				
850 Retirement and Social Security	6,818.00	6,153.33	6,975.00	7,706.00
855 Insurance	1,700.00	1,701.80	1,716.00	1,785.00
<b>800 Series Total</b>	<b>8,518.00</b>	<b>7,855.13</b>	<b>8,691.00</b>	<b>9,491.00</b>
<b>900 Series Federal Lunch</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>588.22</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>4,000.00</b>
<b>1200 Series Capital Outlay</b>				
1265 Sites	1,068.95	1,068.95	0.00	0.00
1266 Buildings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
1267 Equipment	1,465.00	794.80	366.00	1,000.00
<b>1200 Series Total</b>	<b>2,533.95</b>	<b>1,863.75</b>	<b>366.00</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>

**MONT VERNON BUDGET — 1974-75**

	Budgeted 1972-73	Actual 1972-73	Budgeted 1973-74	Proposed 1974-75
<b>1300 Series Debt Service</b>				
1370 Principal	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
1371 Interest	7,044.00	7,043.75	6,642.00	6,239.00
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<b>1300 Series Total</b>	<b>14,044.00</b>	<b>14,043.75</b>	<b>13,642.00</b>	<b>13,239.00</b>
<b>1400 Series Outgoing Transfer Accounts</b>				
1477.1 Tuition In-State	107,979.86	102,435.54	131,992.00	153,793.06
1477.3 Supervisory Union Share	3,971.60	3,971.60	4,941.21	7,028.93
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<b>1400 Series Total</b>	<b>111,951.46</b>	<b>106,407.14</b>	<b>136,933.21</b>	<b>160,821.99</b>
<b>1700 Series Deficit Appropriation</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>			

**TOTAL BUDGET** \$259,886.41 \$235,455.46 \$276,410.21 \$325,379.99

**REVENUE**

Unencumbered Balance	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 0.00
State Building Aid	1,644.00	2,561.94	2,250.00	2,450.00
State Sweepstakes Aid	2,700.00	3,964.27	4,000.00	2,538.00
Federal Lunch Program	1,000.00	772.86	1,000.00	4,000.00
State Foundation Aid	5,320.00	4,985.95	4,900.00	4,900.00
Other	5.00	109.02	5.00	5.00
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<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>\$ 10,669.00</b>	<b>\$ 12,394.04</b>	<b>\$ 25,155.00</b>	<b>\$ 13,893.00</b>
<b>Total Assessment</b>	<b>\$249,217.41</b>		<b>\$251,255.21</b>	<b>\$311,486.99</b>
<b>Tax Commission's Assessment</b>	<b>\$248,402.90</b>		<b>\$230,744.29</b>	

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE  
MONT VERNON SCHOOL BOARD**

(For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1972 to June 30, 1973)

TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$262,257 44
TOTAL PAYMENTS	-234,179 53
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Cash Balance, June 30, 1973	\$ 28,077 91

RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand July 1, 1972*	-\$ 54,663 85
Revenue from Local Sources	
Current Appropriations	\$248,402 90
Balance of Previous Appropriations	56,124 35
Other Revenue from Local Sources	5 00
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	304,532 25
Revenue from State Sources	
Foundation Aid	\$4,985 95
School Building Aid	2,561 94
Sweepstakes	3,964 27
	<hr style="width: 100%;"/>
	11,512 16
Revenue from Federal Sources	
School Lunch & Special Milk	\$772 86
Other Revenue from Federal Sources	4 02
	<hr style="width: 100%;"/>
	776 88
Tuition Reimbursement	100 00
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	\$262,257 44

\*Deficit due to delay in transfer of funds by selectmen until after June 30, 1972.

## PAYMENTS

100 Administration			
110	Salaries of District Officers	\$442 00	
135	Contracted Services	50 00	
190	Other Expenses	683 86	
		-----	\$ 1,175 86
200 Instruction			
210	Salaries for Instruction	\$72,026 00	
215	Textbooks	525 58	
220	School Libraries & A. V.	855 86	
230	Teaching Supplies	3,214 28	
235	Contracted Services	28 87	
290	Other Expenses	1,594 71	
		-----	78,245 30
300	Attendance		0 00
400 Health Services			
410	Salaries	\$579 08	
490	Other Expenses	492 26	
		-----	1,071 34
500	Transportation		12,657 50
600 Operation of Plant			
610	Salaries	\$4,500 00	
630	Supplies, except Utilities	690 02	
635	Contracted Services	263 00	
640	Heat for Buildings	2,290 82	
645	Utilities, except Heat	1,293 44	
		-----	9,037 28
700 Maintenance of Plant			
726	Repairs to Equipment	\$ 450 09	
735	Contracted Services	1,283 72	
		-----	1,733 81

800 Fixed Charges		
850.2 Teachers' Retirement System	\$ 646 53	
850.3 F.I.C.A.	5,506 80	
855 Insurance	1,202 25	
	<u>                    </u>	7,355 58
900 School Lunch & Special Milk		588 22
1200 Capital Outlay		
1265 Sites	\$1,068 95	
1267 Equipment	794 80	
	<u>                    </u>	1,863 75
1300 Debt Service		
1370 Principal of Debt	\$7,000 00	
1371 Interest on Debt	7,043 75	
	<u>                    </u>	14,043 75
1400 Outgoing Transfer Accounts		
1477.1 Tuition	\$102,435 54	
1477.3 District Share of Supervisory Union Expense	3,971 60	
	<u>                    </u>	106,407 14
Total Payments		<u>                    </u> \$234,179 53

**BALANCE SHEET**  
**June 30, 1973**

**ASSETS**

Cash on Hand June 30, 1973	
General Fund	\$ 28,077 91
Daland Memorial Trust Fund	226 27
	-----
Total Assets	\$ 28,304 18
Net Debt (Excess of Liabilities over Assets)	91,855 77
	-----
Grand Total	\$120,159 95

**LIABILITIES**

Cash on Hand June 30, 1973	
Daland Memorial Trust Fund	\$ 226 27
Accounts Payable	933 68
Notes and Bonds Outstanding	119,000 00
	-----
Total Liabilities and Grand Total	\$120,159 95

**CERTIFICATE**

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 71 of the Revised Statutes Annotated, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

SUSAN R. ROTCH  
ROBERT A. DAMOISEAU  
ROBERT H. NABER  
School Board  
ROLAND L. SCHOEPF, Superintendent  
August 29, 1973

**REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER**  
**(For the Fiscal Year July 1, 1972 to June 30, 1973)**

EILEEN NABER, Treasurer

Cash on Hand July 1, 1972		-\$ 54,663 85
Received from Selectmen	\$244,217 41	
Deficit Appropriation	5,000 00	
Balance of Previous Appropriations	56,124 35	
Revenue from State Sources	11,512 16	
Revenue from Federal Sources	776 88	
Received from All Other Sources	1,611 85	
Total Receipts	-----	319,242 65
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year		\$264,578 80
Less School Board Orders Paid		236,500 89
Balance on Hand June 30, 1973		\$ 28,077 91

**Daland Memorial Trust Fund**

Cash on Hand July 1, 1972		\$ 259 33
Received as Income from Trust Funds	\$50 00	
Received from All Other Sources	11 81	
	-----	61 81
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year		\$ 321 14
Less School Board Orders Paid		94 87
Balance on Hand June 30, 1973		\$ 226 27



## AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Mont Vernon, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1973, and find them correct in all respects.

DAVID W. HAYDEN,  
ALAN J. SMITH,  
Auditors  
July 19, 1973

## NOTIFICATION OF ASSESSMENT

### 1973-74 School Year

Total Appropriations	\$276,410 21
REVENUES AND CREDITS	
Unencumbered Balance	\$ 27,144 23
Sweepstakes	3,811 30
Foundation Aid	11,455 39
School Building Aid	2,250 00
School Lunch and Special Milk	1,000 00
Other Revenue from Local Sources	5 00
Total Revenues and Credits	\$ 45,665 92
District Assessment 1973	230,744 29
Total Appropriations	\$276,410 21

## INSURANCE COVERAGE

School Building	\$210,000
Contents	\$18,000
SMP:	
Bodily Injury	\$100,000/300,000
Property Damage	\$25,000
Treasurer's Bond	\$2,500
Workmen's Compensation	\$100,000

**SUPERVISORY UNION NO. 40**

**Administrative Salaries — 1972-73**

**A. Superintendent**

State Share		\$ 3,500 00
Local Share		
Amherst	\$4,818 85	
Brookline	987 36	
Hollis	3,365 20	
Milford	8,027 26	
Mont Vernon	701 33	
	-----	17,900 00
		-----
		\$21,400 00

**B. Teacher Consultant**

State Share		\$ 2,190 00
Local Share		
Amherst	\$4,019 30	
Brookline	823 53	
Hollis	2,806 85	
Milford	6,695 36	
Mont Vernon	584 96	
	-----	14,930 00
		-----
		\$17,120 00

**C. Business Administrator**

State Share		\$ 2,190 00
Local Share		
Amherst	\$3,179 37	
Brookline	651 43	
Hollis	2,220 29	
Milford	5,296 19	
Mont Vernon	462 72	
	-----	11,810 00
		-----
		\$14,000 00

**TITLE I – 1972-73**

**Supervisory Union No. 40**

**Allocation:**

Amherst	\$ 5,717 00
Brookline	3,494 00
Hollis	3,176 00
Milford	22,870 00
Mont Vernon	1,271 00

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\$36,528 00

Expended 1972-73 24,322 00

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Carryover\* \$12,206 00

\*To be used in 1973-74 project due to late date of receipt of money.

**MONT VERNON SCHOOL DISTRICT**

New Elementary School – \$140,000 Serial Notes  
 Interest Payable July 15 and January 15  
 Principal Maturing: 1970-89  
 Rate 5.75%

Date Due	Interest	Principal
Dec. 15, 1969	\$4,025 00	
July 15, 1970	4,695 83	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1971	3,823 75	
July 15, 1971	3,823 75	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1972	3,622 50	
July 15, 1972	3,622 50	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1973	3,421 25	
July 15, 1973	3,421 25	7,000 00

Jan. 15, 1974	3,220 00	
July 15, 1974	3,220 00	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1975	3,018 75	
July 15, 1975	3,018 75	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1976	2,817 50	
July 15, 1976	2,817 50	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1977	2,616 25	
July 15, 1977	2,616 25	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1978	2,415 00	
July 15, 1978	2,415 00	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1979	2,213 75	
July 15, 1979	2,213 75	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1980	2,012 50	
July 15, 1980	2,012 50	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1981	1,811 25	
July 15, 1981	1,811 25	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1982	1,610 00	
July 15, 1982	1,610 00	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1983	1,408 75	
July 15, 1983	1,408 75	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1984	1,207 50	
July 15, 1984	1,207 50	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1985	1,006 25	
July 15, 1985	1,006 25	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1986	805 00	
July 15, 1986	805 00	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1987	603 75	
July 15, 1987	603 75	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1988	402 50	
July 15, 1988	402 50	7,000 00
Jan. 15, 1989	201 25	
July 15, 1989	201 25	7,000 00

## THE REPORT OF THE MONT VERNON SCHOOL BOARD

Since the last district meeting the Mont Vernon School Board has been busy with a variety of matters of concern to the District.

Shortly after the last District meeting a problem with the McCollum Building had to be corrected. The false ceiling in the first grade classroom began to drop from the original ceiling, which made it necessary to move the first grade class to temporary quarters in the Village School. Repairs were made to the ceiling. At the same time the Board received preliminary copies of a study by the Center for Educational Field Services of school facilities in Amherst, Milford, and Mont Vernon. The assessment of the McCollum Building gave the Board reason to have the State Fire Marshal examine the facility. Of some eighteen changes recommended by the Fire Marshal, seven were made immediately. The other more expensive changes were delayed for consideration by the District.

At the request of the School Board Mr. Goldberg, a civil engineer, gave the building a general examination and found it to be generally sound. The Superintendent was asked to assess the McCollum Building. His report is reprinted in the School Report. A citizens advisory committee, composed of Mrs. Keith Pomeroy, Mr. Albert Dudley, and Mr. John Esposito was also appointed to gather more information and help the Board and District determine a course to follow. Their report is reprinted also. The Board appreciates their efforts.

In August the Board was informed of Edward Bailey's resignation as Principal. The position was advertised immediately, and in September the Board appointed Philip Boucher to the position. Mr. Boucher previously held teaching and administrative positions at Crotched Mountain Rehabilitation Center. With the exception of the Principal all of the previous year's staff returned this fall. In

addition a guidance position was filled by Mrs. Andrea Goldthwaite until her resignation in January 1974.

Early in the fall it became apparent the lengthened elementary school day was a problem. The Board had extended the elementary day to accommodate the one-half hour increase in the Milford AREA School. The Board decided after consultation with Donald Day, a State Department of Education consultant, that it would be best to shorten the elementary school day and pick the elementary bus students up on a separate trip from that of the Junior and Senior High School students.

The Joint Long Range Study Committee for Milford, Amherst, and Mont Vernon has continued its efforts this past year and will have its conclusions completed within the next month. David Lambarth has represented Mont Vernon on this committee.

Some interest in the State proposed Voucher Plan was expressed to the Board. Originally the State intended to implement the plan in the 1974-75 school year, however delays by the Federal Government have postponed the implementation for another year.

National energy problems were reflected in the recommendation by the State Department of Education to lower thermostats and extend winter vacations. A savings does occur so far in the electric and fuel bills. When the early change to daylight savings time became necessary, the joint boards of Amherst, Milford and Mont Vernon agreed to move the school day ahead one hour to alleviate the pre-dawn hazard of children walking in the road.

In December the Board sought bids for school bus transportation. George Munro was the low bidder with a bid of \$14,000 per year for a 5-year term, using two 1974 GMC 72-passenger buses.

Again the children and staff have profited immeasurably by the generous efforts of the School Volunteers. As many as 13 volunteers help by providing more one-to-one relationships with the students, clerical duties, musical accompaniment for the Glee Club, library assistance and newspaper reporting.

**Report of  
Mont Vernon Special School Board Advisory Committee  
to the Mont Vernon School Board**

**January 14, 1974**

At the School Board meeting on October 8, 1973, the Special Committee was instructed as to the desires of the Board. Specifically, three purposes were detailed; namely,

I. To provide a written report to the School Board providing answers to the following questions:

1. Is the McCollum building an asset or an albatross?
2. Will additional building be required whether McCollum is kept or not?
3. How many additional classrooms and related facilities will be required in the near future?
4. Are the present facilities adequate?

II. To comment on the inclusion of a warrant article establishing a committee to propose a building expansion plan and provide funds for consulting with architects and others.

III. To submit a final report on or before the regular January meeting.

As clarification the Committee was instructed to concern itself with the present situation and the expectations and needs for the next five years.

In attempting to discharge its responsibilities, the Committee has held a series of meetings and individually as well as collectively consulted with the McCollum Trustees, School Board Members, School Principal, Teachers, Fire Chief and other Townspeople. The Committee familiarized itself with the deeds to the McCollum building and land, the existing school facilities, space requirements immediate and as anticipated for the next five years, and considered the effect of present and future State school and educational requirements. The Committee has attempted to take into consideration town growth, special facilities required and

desired, costs of alternates and the Town's ability and willingness to support the needs and desires, safety, quality of education and the continued ability to attract qualified school administrators and teachers.

The Committee, as a result of its investigations, has concluded that the existing facilities, while far from ideal, with some modification and improvement will be adequate for the satisfactory education of Mont Vernon children for at least the next five years.

The McCollum building is indeed an asset — a very valuable asset. To call it an albatross is to say that a broken leg is of no use and should be amputated. The building is in need of repair. It needs continual maintenance. It requires some modification in the interest of safety, some necessary and urgent, some desirable and recommended but not essential. It does not provide for efficient utilization of space. But it is structurally sound. It is rent free. It contains sufficient space for four classrooms plus more than adequate storage space. With minor modification, space can be made available for special classes and consultation. **The facility must not be abandoned!** On the contrary, a definite plan must be formulated and implemented to increase the utility of the building through the expenditure of whatever funds are necessary to do so. It is the Committee's belief that these expenditures will not be large when compared with any alternatives. It is the Committee's belief also that some portion of this monetary requirement will be available from the McCollum Trust.

The furnishings in the McCollum building are in need of repair or replacement. Replacement with more up-to-date equipment is strongly recommended as a step toward improving utilization. No matter what alternative to the McCollum building is considered, such replacement would be necessary.

Based on the currently available census of Mont Vernon children and modification of growth projections to allow for today's economic situation, it is the Committee's finding that no class will exceed 30 children during the five year



period so long as seven classrooms are available. Recent increases in school age population in Mont Vernon appear to have been in the group beyond sixth grade age, and it may be reasonably expected that this trend will continue. Should an additional classroom be required, however, for a temporary period during the next five years, a sixth grade class could most likely be temporarily removed to Milford.

In the course of its investigation, the Committee became convinced that much can be done to improve utilization of both the McCollum building and the Village School through careful scheduling and the availability of portable partitions to sectionalize some of the rooms. Careful consultation with faculty and administration will reveal ways in which cooperative scheduling will assist in making space available for special needs such as speech therapy, music, physical education, etc.

In conclusion, the Committee feels that it is premature to include a warrant article directed toward a building program. **The need for building expansion or replacement has not been shown.** On the other hand, the Committee is well aware of its limitations, particularly as to time devoted to its investigation. It is recommended that immediate arrangements be made for an in-depth study of Mont Vernon's long term educational needs, the physical plant required to provide these needs and the Town's ability to support them. Such a study will undoubtedly call for professional assistance and will require a much longer period of time than was available to this committee. The result of such a study will most certainly provide the School Board and the Town meaningful guidance for the long range.

In submitting this report, the Committee expresses its appreciation for having been selected to share in this important facet of the Town's work and the education of the children of Mont Vernon.

CATHARINE D. POMEROY  
JOHN M. ESPOSITO  
ALBERT C. DUDLEY

## ANNUAL ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

### Report of the Superintendent

While change is in the order of things, there are some recent developments in the field of education which are attracting more than normal attention in New Hampshire. Perhaps that which has made the headlines most consistently is a voucher plan for which the State Board of Education has approved a feasibility study. The federal government has given some assurance that it will underwrite the initial costs of such a project. If ever adopted as an integral part of the educational process, it ultimately would mean that the local districts would have to provide funds once federal support is withdrawn.

Proponents of the voucher plan feel that by introducing an element of competition into the educational system, the overall quality will be improved. The voucher can be viewed as individual parents' assets which they could spend in selecting an educational program which they felt was best for their children. Although the state traditionally has been considered as being responsible for education, the voucher system assumes that each family has the right to choose its own educational program, provided this right does not infringe on the rights of others. The proposal for New Hampshire would give parents the freedom to send their children to either public or non-sectarian private schools. The amount of money that would be available to parents would be equivalent to the per pupil cost within the district.

Related to a system of vouchers is the matter of educational accountability, which is being given serious consideration at this time by the State Department of Education. Through some means of measurement, not yet established, the goal of accountability is to improve education. By being able to determine the effectiveness of the public schools, it is thus hoped to be able to correct any deficiencies which

may exist in a particular school system. Presumably difficult to precisely relate financial cost to educational outcomes, there is some possibility that the state legislature could use the results of any valid measurement in determining the allocation and expenditure of public funds for education.

Regardless of terminology, educators for years have attempted to assess educational outcomes. While the results sought were not always primarily designed to relate to financial cost, nevertheless it very often was a by-product. Although it could not always be proven satisfactorily that money bought what could be considered good education, it was generally demonstrated that the higher the investment, the greater the return. Among the questions that remain to be answered, however, are those that relate to the distribution of funds within a school district in order to promote the most desirable outcomes. Because of the constant changes in society, decisions will not come easily. Much more research will have to be conducted before the expenditure of educational monies can ever approximate an exact science, if ever. As long as people make up society, we can assume that the process of trying to equate the spending of money with something as intangible as educational outcomes will tax the minds of men for years to come.

Supervisory Union 40, consisting of Amherst, Brookline, Hollis, Milford and Mont Vernon, will be reorganized, effective July 1, 1974, in keeping with a vote in November, 1973, of the State Board of Education. The new alignment will result in the formation of Supervisory Union 41, consisting of Amherst, Brookline and Hollis, and a new Supervisory Union 40, with Milford and Mont Vernon sharing facilities and resources. The reorganization is in conformance with recently-developed guidelines designed to improve services offered by a supervisory union. The new arrangement should contribute to closer liaison between the superintendent and the professional staff in each district.

## Principal's Report

The 1973-74 school year in Mont Vernon has seen a number of changes. Mr. Bailey tendered his resignation in late summer, therefore leaving the position of principal vacant at the beginning of the school year. The position was filled by Mr. Philip Boucher in late September. Mr. Boucher holds a Master's degree in School Administration and Special Education and has had several years experience in Administration.

This year saw the addition of a part-time guidance counselor who spends the equivalent of one day per week in the schools at Mont Vernon, providing a most valuable service to the children here.

In addition to the seven full-time classroom teachers and one part-time teacher, Mont Vernon now has part-time staff in Music, Art, French and Guidance, as well as the services of Supervisory Union 40 staff in Reading, Speech Therapy and Title I programs.

The school volunteer program has added another valuable asset to the overall program, with classroom aides, library aide, office aide and other needed helping hands.

Flexibility has been a key attribute during this year. Many changes have occurred due to the anticipated fuel shortage, with a concerted effort on everyone's part to conserve. The understanding and cooperation have been remarkable.

At the time this report is being written, many future plans are underway. The sixth grade will spend a week at the Otter Lake Conservation School/Camp in Greenfield, N. H. Plans are also underway for a Spring Festival featuring programs in Music, Art and French. The Student Council plans include a yearbook publication, Green-up Day, Math Bees, Spelling Bees and other activities.

ROLAND L. SCHOEPF, Superintendent  
PHILIP BOUCHER, Principal

**GENERAL STATISTICS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR  
1972-73**

Number of pupils registered during year	140
Boys 70	Girls 70

Enrollment by grades:

I - 26; II - 27; III - 21; IV - 19; V - 25; VI - 22

Average Membership in Grades 1-6	129.2
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Percent of Attendance in Grades 1-6	95.7
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Number not Absent or Tardy	7
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Number of Sessions in all Schools	360
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Teaching Positions:

Elementary	7
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Part-time	3
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Tuition Pupils:

Grade 7	22	Grade 10	21
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Grade 8	28	Grade 11	21
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Grade 9	21	Grade 12	9
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Special Class	6
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Handicapped	1
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**Mont Vernon Pupils Attending Milford AREA Schools  
1973-74**

Grade 7-8	44
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Grade 9-12	93
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Special Class	4
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**MONT VERNON GRADUATES**

Linda Darlene Bishop

Linda Marie Koenig

Emily Krevi

Brian Langille

\*Linda Mary Naber

Ronald Robinson

\*Shelly Lee Trow

James London Walter

\*National Honor Society

## SCHOOL CENSUS

	Age as of Sept. 1, 1973	Total	Boys	Girls	Public Schools Within District	Public Schools Outside District	Private Schools Within District	Private Schools Outside District	Excused by School Board	Completed Elementary, Not High School	Completed High School
Les than	1	20	12	8							
	1	13	7	6							
	2	18	8	10							
	3	29	20	9							
	4	15	10	5							
	5	22	15	7			14	2			
	6	28	21	7	23		1	3	1		
	7	19	10	9	18			1			
	8	34	11	23	33	1					
	9	24	13	11	20	3		1			
	10	17	10	7	16			1			
	11	25	7	18	15	9			1		
	12	26	14	12		25		1			
	13	26	15	11		26					
	14	26	11	15		25		1			
	15	28	12	16		27		1			
	16	25	7	18		24					
	17	21	11	10		17				2	2
	18	15	8	7		2		1		3	9
		431	222	209	125	159	15	12	2	5	11

## TEACHER ROSTER

Name	Years of Exp.	Assignment	School	Degree	1973-74 Salary
Boucher, Philip	9	Principal	Keene State College	M.Ed.	\$10,072
Andrews, Robert	2	Grade 5	George Washington Univ.	M.A.	8,123
Courage, Phyllis	8	Grade 1	Plymouth State College	Certified	8,336
Fite, Nancy	3	Art p.t.	Tufts University	B.S.	1,409
Goldwaite, Andrea	5	Guidance p.t.	Bridgewater State College	M.E.	1,600
Goulet, Lillian	12	French p.t.	Notre Dame College	B.M.	1,107
Groff, Susan	1	Grades 1-6 p.t.	University of Cincinnati	B.S.Ed.	2,110
Hall, Betty	17	Rdg. Cons.	Bridgewater State College	M.E.	1,329
Mallinson, Ann	4	Grades 2-3	Boston University	B.S.Ed.	7,385
Robichaud, Rosemary	6	Grade 4	Fairleigh Dickinson College	B.S.	8,336
Sherwanian, Ann	14	Sp. Ther. p.t.	Boston University	B.S.	1,202
Smaga, Janice	1	Grade 2	Boston University	Ed.M.	7,385
Soule, Beulah	7	Grade 3	University of Maine	B.S.	8,102
Stillman, Sue	5	Music p.t.	Notre Dame College	B.M.	1,409
Turcotte, Sherrill	10	Grade 6	Gorham State College	B.S.	9,276
Hanscom, Samuel		Custodian			4,927
Straw, Nancy		Nurse			708

## REPORT OF HEALTH SUPERVISION 1972-73

Jan J. Tigchelaar, M.D., Examiner

Nancy Straw, R.N., School Nurse

Report of Local Medical Services		
Pupils Examined	17	
Tests		
Tuberculosis	19	
Throat Culture	4	
Report of School Nurse		
Vision Tests	138	
Hearing Tests	98	
Inspections	400	
Heights	133	
Weights	133	
First Aid	45	
Trip to Hospital	1	
Vaccinations and Communicable Diseases Reported		
Pediculosis	12	
Impetigo	2	
Defects Found by Medical Examination		
	Defects	Treatment
Heart	1	1
Defects Found by School Nurse		
Vision	4	4
Pre-school Clinic, April 1973	16	
Number of Home Visits	4	



## THE McCOLLOM INSTITUTE REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

For a number of reasons, the issue of modernizing or replacing a structure is fraught with controversy. There seems to be a natural tendency among many citizens to favor modernization over replacement for two main reasons. They may feel a sense of loyalty to the old school that served them and their predecessors well in the past. Also, there seems to be a common belief that modernization automatically means greater economy because part of the old structure is preserved.

While the basis of this report is found in the question of what to do with the McCollom Building, in no way can one dispose of this issue without taking into account the whole matter of the future of the Mont Vernon school system. Consequently, while that which follows will include the cost of correcting deficiencies in the McCollom Building, I would be remiss in not bringing into focus as many concerns as are known or anticipated at this time.

Whether the decision is to remain in the McCollom Building for some years to come, or to abandon it in the immediate future, there are a number of repairs which require immediate attention. These include the replacement of some pipes to the boiler, the cleaning of the low water cut-off and feed, the repair of leaks in the cold water tank and urinals. The approximate cost of the foregoing would be \$500.

If the decision is made to remodel the McCollom Building, two types of costs would be involved, totaling some \$4,000.

### Carpentry

1. Re-roof north side.
2. Close in outside fire escape.
3. Install smoke door at top of stairs.
4. Replace window in Room 2 with a door.
5. Install sheetrock in halls with  $\frac{5}{8}$ " fire resistant stock.

Without painting, the cost for the above would be about \$2,760.

## Electrical

1. Install fire alarm system with pull boxes and alarms.
2. Install illuminated exit signs.
3. Install heat detectors and connect alarm system with fire department headquarters.

Electrical costs as described would approximate \$1,250.

Mont Vernon is at a crossroad in so far as its school system is concerned. More thought must be given to issues above and beyond the decision of determining whether the McCollom Building should be modernized. Some issues relate directly to economics and are fairly tangible; others are more difficult to express definitely and, therefore, cannot be equated in terms financial. The concerns below are not listed in any order of priority; they represent areas with which we must touch base.

1. If modernized, how safe, really safe, is the McCollom Building?
2. How is it proposed to meet state minimum standards and requirements that have and may be legislated?
3. How does responsibility for two buildings affect the efficiency of a principal?
4. To what degree is effective shared-use of equipment and facilities reduced if two buildings are maintained?
5. If the McCollom Building is maintained, will maintenance costs become excessive?
6. Will the operating costs of two buildings exceed those of one unit?
7. How will housing all classes in one building improve articulation of the educational program?
8. What savings may be effected if construction is not postponed?

In all probability, the questions posed above will give rise to others of equal importance. While the comments which follow are not intended to be exhaustive, there are a few salient points relative to the preceding questions that should be emphasized.

Regardless of heat detectors or smoke doors, I must assess the McCollom Building in terms of potential hazards to its

occupants — all the more so when we talk of young children. I paint the bleakest of pictures inasmuch as people in general tend to overlook the more somber things. Tragedy after tragedy can be cited, all because someone only considered the **probables** rather than the **possibles**. No building is fireproof, but some are safer than others because of their design. My concern is not that the McCollom Building cannot be evacuated under fire-drill conditions in a relatively few seconds, but what the reaction of its occupants will be under emergency conditions. Nobody has any way of knowing the circumstances under which the evacuation of a building will have to take place. We must assume the worst, and under such duress, intelligent citizens must recognize that panic frequently contributes to more deaths and injuries than fire. What happens in a time of excitement when one trips and falls downstairs? What happens to a youngster's reactions when suddenly faced with smoke? What about the child on crutches as the result of a broken leg still in a cast?

In the years ahead, there is no question that the build-up of population in the area will contribute to an increased flow of traffic past the McCollom Building. While we have been fortunate to date, the possibility of injury or death to a child who, in a moment of forgetfulness, runs out of the school yard, will become even greater.

Schools throughout the state must meet educational minimum standards by 1975. Added to this, school districts must begin to provide hot lunch programs effective this year unless granted a waiver. Additionally there is a great thrust in the direction of health. All of which brings us to the matter of facilities. At some point a library must be provided and certainly the nurse should have access to her own examining room. At this writing we are waiting for further direction relative to lunch facilities. While the construction of an addition will cost more than modernizing the McCollom Building, postponement will see an increase over present prices.

The fact that a principal must share his time between two

buildings means that while one is covered, the other is not. Being concerned with the management of two buildings cannot but reduce the time available for providing supervision of teachers.

Unless a school district is willing to equip its buildings similarly, it follows that instructional tools must be shared — with loss of time. Likewise, the teacher who could use a device on the spur of the moment because of an unanticipated development, may find that the piece of equipment is at the other building. Even though not in use, it is, for practical purposes, unavailable.

Maintenance costs will eventually increase for the McCollom Building. Not only will things break down, but as parts become obsolescent, the replacement costs will soar out of proportion. In the same vein, the costs of operating two buildings are more expensive than one. While of no great expense, one telephone could be eliminated through consolidation.

Housing all classes in one building must contribute to better articulation of the educational program; buildings tend to divide faculties. To be sure, a large school with many faculty members does little to provide cohesiveness, but Mont Vernon does not fall in this category.

The projecting of school enrollments in communities that have characteristics similar to those of Mont Vernon is a precarious business at best. At the present time, the grade enrollments reflect some kind of stability; any grade could be taught by one teacher. However, the impact of twenty new homes could create some problems, depending upon the number of children per family and how they were distributed by grade. One question, then, that we must strive to answer relates to the growth ahead.

In summary, I recommend that the school board take under advisement an addition to the Village School, designed to accommodate all grades and required special facilities, with a view to phasing out the McCollom Building.

ROLAND L. SCHOEPP,  
Superintendent of Schools

August 9, 1973

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE  
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MONT VERNON  
March 6, 1973**

At 10:00 a.m. School Moderator Roland Christie read the warrant and declared the voting for District offices open, Town Moderator George Kittredge in charge of the balloting.

At 9:01 p.m. Mr. Kittredge declared the polls closed and turned the ballots over to Mr. Christie for counting.

At 10:00 p.m. Mr. Christie read the results of the voting and declared the following elected:

Moderator	Walter Kilian
School Board Member (for three years)	Robert Naber
Clerk	Jo Ann Smith
Treasurer	Betty Ryder
Auditors	Alan J. Smith David Hayden

Later in the evening, Mr. Kittredge administered the oath of office to Robert Naber, Jo Ann Smith, Alan J. Smith, and David Hayden.

Respectfully submitted,  
JO ANN K. SMITH, Clerk

## ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MONT VERNON SCHOOL DISTRICT

March 3, 1973

The Annual Meeting of the Mont Vernon School District began at 7:30 p.m. Robert Damoiseau, chairman of the School Board, made the following statement:

"I have been informed by Mr. Christie, the duly elected moderator of this meeting, that he will be unable to attend this meeting. Therefore, as chairman of the School Board, I will exercise my prerogative of appointing a moderator pro tem, who will be George Kittredge."

Mr. Kittredge called the meeting to order. Members of Mrs. Wassell's 4-H group presented the flag and led the assembly in the pledge. The invocation was given by the Reverend David Svenson.

Mr. Kittredge read the call to meeting and notarization of posting the warrant, but indicated that he would read each article in its turn to be acted upon.

Article 1. Susan Rotch moved that we pass over this article on district officer salaries and act on it under Article 8, the budget. Robert Damoiseau seconded. So voted.

Article 2. Robert Naber moved that the school reports be accepted as printed. Mr. Damoiseau seconded. So voted.

Article 3. Mr. Damoiseau moved that we pass over this article on choosing agents and committees as no action was required. Mrs. Rotch seconded. So voted.

Article 4. Mrs. Rotch moved that the district authorize the School Board to make application for and accept on behalf of the district any or all grants or other funds for educational purposes which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States government, the State of New Hampshire, or from any other source. Mr. Damoiseau seconded. So voted.

Article 5. David Lambarth moved that the district vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6500.00 to implement public kindergarten in Mont Vernon. Arthur McKew sec-

ended. Mr. Kittredge announced that the vote would be by paper ballot and checklist.

Mr. Damoiseau explained that the cost figure was based on a half day program, five days per week, and included the teacher salary. The figure also included a proposed rental fee of \$1170.00, which could be reduced if the activities room of the Village School were used. He stated that the overcrowding situation in private kindergartens in surrounding towns made them unavailable to Mont Vernon residents.

Judith Corbett of the Growth Study Committee explained that the cost figure included many one-time charges. She stated that no other towns in Union 40 have public kindergarten, but that many small towns in New Hampshire did.

Mr. Damoiseau indicated that the number of children eligible for kindergarten for the next three years were:

1973-74	22
1974-75	21
1975-76	19

He explained that the part-time teacher aide now employed was fully qualified and would accept full-time employment.

Mrs. Corbett stated that a questionnaire indicated that 70% of the children eligible for 1973-74 would be interested in public kindergarten.

Mr. Kittredge appointed Aubrey Langille and Richard Trow to distribute and count ballots. Results of the voting were: 156 ballots cast, 58 yes, 98 no. The motion was defeated.

Margaret Trombly moved that the School Board be instructed to consider making room in the school for a privately run cooperative kindergarten. Seconded by Judith Corbett. A standing vote indicated 61 yes, 70 no. The motion was defeated.

Article 6. Walter Kilian moved that the district vote to approve the following:

Be it resolved that the Mont Vernon School Board be directed to enter into negotiations with the Milford School Board or any other School District that they may deem

feasible with the intent of providing a Hot Lunch Program for the Mont Vernon School District. The estimated cost of this program is \$1670.00 and includes transportation, serving utensils, paper plates, cups, napkins and miscellaneous items.

Seconded by Beverly Buchert. Mr. Kilian explained that this article raises no money. The article is based on the recommendation of the Hot Lunch Study Committee as to the best way to implement a hot lunch program in Mont Vernon. The cost figure given is based on an estimate by the Milford Hot Lunch Director based on a satellite program from that district. Mr. Kilian apologized for the use of Mrs. Roger's name in the committee report as the statement was in error.

In response to a question, Mr. Kilian explained that the cost of individual lunches would be determined by the School Board and paid by the children.

Mr. Damoiseau stated that Milford, if this district was contracted, would prepare menus. Some dissatisfaction with the Milford meal program was indicated by various voters. Mr. Damoiseau explained that the article contained no definite price tag and that money expended would be raised at next year's district meeting as a deficit appropriation.

Request for paper ballots by checklist was made. Results of the voting: 152 ballots cast, yes 31, no 121. The motion was defeated.

During the vote count, Mr. Damoiseau noted that Page 91 of the school reports should read 69 pupils in grades 9-12 rather than the 7 printed.

Article 7. Susan Rotch moved that the district authorize the School Board on behalf of and at no cost to the district to accept a certain parcel of land adjacent to the westerly side of the present Harwood Road property. Mr. Damoiseau seconded. So voted.

Article 8. Robert Naber moved that the district raise and appropriate the sum of \$276,410.21 for the support of the schools, for the payment of salaries for school district officials and agents, and for the payment of the statutory



obligations of the district. Seconded by Mr. Damoiseau. There was no discussion, and the motion was accepted by voice vote.

Article 9. Mr. Damoiseau thanked the following:

a) The study committees for their work and well-done reports.

b) The School Volunteers.

c) The Beautification Committee for picnic tables to be erected this spring.

d) The 4-H girls for the color guard.

e) Mr. Kittredge for acting as Moderator pro tem.

Mr. Damoiseau moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded. So declared by Mr. Kittredge at 8:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JO ANN K. SMITH, Clerk





