ANNUAL REPORT

for the Town of

Alton, New Hampshire

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Sept. 15, 1951

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Dec. 31, 1891

For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1953
ANNUAL REPORTS
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SELECTMEN
TOWN CLERK
TOWN TREASURER
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SCHOOL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OF ALTON, N. H.

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st,
1953
### FIRE ALARM SIGNALS

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<td>3</td>
<td>Brush fire. Repeat three times.</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Alton Bay Fire Station.</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Central Schoolhouse.</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Town Hall.</td>
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<tr>
<td>12</td>
<td>Campground Store.</td>
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<tr>
<td>13</td>
<td>Alton Bay, near Lester Downing Residence.</td>
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<tr>
<td>14</td>
<td>Gilman Road, corner Mitchell Avenue.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>24</td>
<td>Main Street, corner School Street.</td>
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<tr>
<td>26</td>
<td>Main Street, Wolfeboro Hill.</td>
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<tr>
<td>31</td>
<td>Oak Birch Inn.</td>
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<td>32</td>
<td>Gilmanton Road, corner Mill Street.</td>
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<tr>
<td>36</td>
<td>Opposite Wyman's Garage.</td>
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<tr>
<td>41</td>
<td>Bay Schoolhouse.</td>
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<tr>
<td>42</td>
<td>Main Street, foot Rollins' Hill.</td>
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<tr>
<td>43</td>
<td>Main Street, near Fred Colbath Residence.</td>
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<tr>
<td>2-2-2</td>
<td>Out of town call. All firemen to report at station.</td>
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<tr>
<td>1-1</td>
<td>All out signal.</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Blasts at 7:30 a.m., no school.</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Blasts at 7:30 p.m., Fire Department meeting.</td>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Blast, water to be shut off in thirty minutes.</td>
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#### NOTICE

Bush fire, chimney fire, and all outside fire alarms are to be telephoned to the Alton operator, who will sound the proper alarm, and notify the proper authorities. This will be done by means of a control box now in the central office. State clearly the nature, extent and location of the fire. By complying with the above much time and property may be saved.

#### INSTRUCTIONS FOR OPERATING A BOX

Opening a box does not sound alarm: Pull down handle. Anyone sounding alarm to remain at box to direct firemen. Second alarm to be sounded by order of the chief engineer only.

Test alarm every day at 12:45. Do not sound alarm unless necessary.

HERBERT B. CARD  RICHARD BRADSTREET
WESTON ALDEN
Fire Wards of Alton
TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen
W. ROY BARNHILL Term Expires 1954
CHESTER W. LITTLEFIELD " " 1955
LEON T. DODGE " " 1956

Clerk
ETHEL W. MORRELL

Treasurer
STELLA F. AYER

Tax Collector
RAYMOND C. DUNCAN

Auditors
LESTER F. DOWNING GEORGE H. WALLACE

Trustees of Trust Funds
CALVIN WYMAN Term Expires 1954
FRANK M. AYER " " 1955
ALTA H. McDUFFEE " " 1956

Trustees of Public Library
DONALD GOWEN Term Expires 1954
HAROLD CLOUGH " " 1955
ANNIE A. WHEELER " " 1956

Precinct Commissioners
RAYMOND C. DUNCAN LAWRENCE P. BECK
RAYMOND A. LAMONT

Representative to the General Court
FREDERICK M. PERKINS

Moderator
FRANK M. AYER

Supervisors of the Check List
NELLE S. P. CLOUGH BURTON S. HALE
CAROLYN WALLACE

Chief of Police
HAROLD E. TIBBETTS

Constable
HAROLD E. TIBBETTS

Highway Agent
FORREST B. VARNEY

Health Officer
RALPH STEVENS
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Fire Wards
HERBERT D. CARD    RICHARD BRADSTREET
WESTON ALDEN

Forest Fire Warden
HA扮演 E. PRIME

Deputy Forest Fire Wardens
HAROLD CLOUGH    CHARLES ROBERTS
OLIVER BARNES    LEWIS HAYES    HERBERT CARD

School Board

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<td>HAROLD SANBORN</td>
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<td>ELLIOT W. BURBANK</td>
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<td>ARTHUR F. TILTON</td>
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Superintendent of Schools
JOHN W. DAY

Librarian
ANNIE A. WHEELER

Justice of Municipal Court
CARL W. WYMAN

Water Commissioners

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<td>HERBERT D. CARD</td>
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<td>CARL T. ANDERSON</td>
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Budget Committee

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<td>HARRY M. ALLEN</td>
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<td>WILLIAM L. PATTERSON</td>
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<td>PHILLIP A. DROSTIE</td>
<td>1954</td>
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<tr>
<td>EDWARD H. DOWNING</td>
<td>1955</td>
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<td>ROBERT JONES</td>
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<td>ARCHIE HORNE</td>
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<td>FRANK J. McGRAHTE</td>
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<td>FRED M. PERKINS</td>
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<td>HAROLD E. PRIME</td>
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HAROLD SANBORN ............ School Committee
W. ROY BARNHILL .............. Selectman
# BUDGET


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<tr>
<th>Sources of Revenue</th>
<th>Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1953</th>
<th>Actual Revenue Previous Year 1953</th>
<th>Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1954</th>
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<td>From State:</td>
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<td>Interest and Dividends Tax</td>
<td>$6,368.64</td>
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<td>Railroad Tax</td>
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<td>100.00</td>
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<td>Reimbursement a/c State and Federal forest lands</td>
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<td>Reimbursement a/c Exemption of Bounties</td>
<td>205.00</td>
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<td>Growing Wood and Timber</td>
<td>1,290.17</td>
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<td>For Fighting Forest Fires</td>
<td>204.20</td>
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<td>Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance</td>
<td>1,100.39</td>
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<td>Gas Tax</td>
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<td>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</td>
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<td>Dog Licenses</td>
<td>350.00</td>
<td>576.07</td>
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<td>Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees</td>
<td>200.00</td>
<td>225.50</td>
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<td>Fines and Forfeits, Municipal Court</td>
<td>500.00</td>
<td>390.00</td>
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<td>Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings</td>
<td>800.00</td>
<td>632.00</td>
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<td>Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits</td>
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<td>1,428.38</td>
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<td>Income from Trust Funds</td>
<td>300.00</td>
<td>420.00</td>
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<td>Income of Departments:</td>
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<tr>
<td>(a) Highway</td>
<td>258.40</td>
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<tr>
<td>(b) Tarvia</td>
<td>1,596.10</td>
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<td>Shore Roads</td>
<td>1,508.60</td>
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<td>Grader</td>
<td>1,556.65</td>
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<td>Culverts &amp; chloride</td>
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<td>Income From Municipally Owned Utilities:</td>
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<td>(a) Water Departments Notes</td>
<td>2,400.00</td>
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<td>Sale of Tax Deeded Property</td>
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<th>Source</th>
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<tr>
<td>Motor Vehicle Permit Fees</td>
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<td>Sale of Town Property</td>
<td>700.00</td>
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<td>Fire Dept. Refunds</td>
<td>966.33</td>
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<td>Ambulance</td>
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<td>Social Security</td>
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<td>All Other Sources</td>
<td>284.87</td>
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<td>Timber Bond</td>
<td>200.00</td>
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<td>Blue Cross Refunds</td>
<td>692.10</td>
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**Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes:**

(State Purpose of Each Issue)

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<th>Issue</th>
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<td>T. R. A.</td>
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<td>Temporary Loans</td>
<td>40,000.00</td>
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<td>Cash on Hand January 1st.</td>
<td>19,676.94</td>
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<td>Taxes Redeemed</td>
<td>752.74</td>
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<td>Taxes All Years</td>
<td>134,734.08</td>
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<th>Type</th>
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<td>Poll Taxes—Regular @ $2</td>
<td>$1,380.00</td>
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<td>National Bank Stock Taxes</td>
<td>36.50</td>
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<td>Yield Taxes All Years</td>
<td>5,385.74</td>
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<td>Head Taxes All Years</td>
<td>3,884.00</td>
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**Total Revenues from All Sources**: $259,641.66

Total Town & School Appropriations $150,898.35 $160,441.47

Amount to be Raised by Prop Taxes 136,508.00

**Purposes of Expenditures:**

**Current Maintenance Expenses:**

**General Government:**

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<th>Category</th>
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<tr>
<td>Town Officers' Salaries</td>
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<td>Town Officers' Expenses</td>
<td>2,000.00</td>
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<td>Election and Registration Expenses</td>
<td>350.00</td>
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<td>Municipal Court Expenses</td>
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<td>Expenses Town Hall and other</td>
<td>5,200.00</td>
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<td>Town Buildings</td>
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**Protection of Persons and Property:**

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<td>Police Department</td>
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<td>Fire Department</td>
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<td>Moth Exterm.—Blister Rust</td>
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<td>&amp; Care of Trees</td>
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<th>2,200.00</th>
<th>2,199.60</th>
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<td>Bookkeeper</td>
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<td>Emergency Phone Service</td>
<td>1,200.00</td>
<td>823.22</td>
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<td>Fire Tank Truck</td>
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**Health:**

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<td>Hospitals</td>
<td>400.00</td>
<td>400.00</td>
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<td>Vital Statistics</td>
<td>35.00</td>
<td>10.45</td>
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<td>Town Dump</td>
<td>1,800.00</td>
<td>1,629.47</td>
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**Highways and Bridges:**

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<td>Tarvia</td>
<td>2,500.00</td>
<td>4,262.32</td>
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<td>Town Maintenance—Summer</td>
<td>9,100</td>
<td>9,807.16</td>
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<td>Town Maintenance—Winter</td>
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<td>Street Lighting</td>
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<td>Gen. Expenses of Highway Dept.</td>
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<td>Town Road Aid:</td>
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**Libraries:**

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<td>Old Age Assistance</td>
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**Patriotic Purposes:**

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<td>Memorial Day and Veterans’ Associations</td>
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<td>Aid to Soldiers and Their Families</td>
<td>300.00</td>
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<td>Taxes Bought by Town</td>
<td>1,090.54</td>
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**Recreation:**

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<td>Parks and Playgrounds</td>
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**Public Service Enterprises:**

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<td>Lake Wall</td>
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<td>Bounties</td>
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Unclassified:
- Damages & Legal Expenses including
  - Dog Damage 250.00  23.49  250.00
  - Advertising and Regional Associations 444.00  444.00  476.00
  - Employees' Retirement and Social Security 300.00  342.50  500.00
- Interest
  - Temporary Loans 1,000.00  1,582.37  1,300.00
  - Bonded Debt 40,000.00
  - Head Tax 3,783.00  6,183.00  3,783.00
  - Head Tax 4,891.26

Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvement:
- Signs 267.42
- Precinct 1,500.00  1,500.00  2,900.00
- Bridge 2,200.00  2,200.00
- Refunds 254.85

Sidewalk Construction—Young's 1,295.95

Payment on Principal of Debt:
- County Tax 10,295.05  10,295.05  10,000.00
- Payment to Capital Reserve Funds 1,000.00  2,000.00
- Schools 59,300.63  64,209.62  64,438.21

Total Expenditures $236,089.97 $160,441.47

EDWARD H. DOWNING
FREDERICK W. PERKINS
HARRY M. ALLEN
HAROLD PRIME
WILLIAM L. PATTERSON
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HAROLD SANBORN
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ALTON WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Alton, in the County of Belknap, in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said Alton, on Tuesday, the ninth day of March next, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

Article 1. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay all necessary charges of the Town for the ensuing year.

Article 2. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repairs of highways and bridges for the ensuing year, in addition to that required by law.

Article 3. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the removal of snow from the Town's highways.

Article 4. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended on roads leading to shore property, in conjunction with the amounts raised and expended by property owners.

Article 5. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of Tarvia and application of same.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $879.26 provided that the State will contribute $5,861.74 for Class V roads, so called.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow necessary monies in anticipation of taxes.
Article 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the decoration of Soldiers' graves.

Article 9. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the Public Library in addition to that required by law.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $400.00 to be expended under State supervision for the control of White Pine Blister Rust.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $346.00 to the Lakes Region Association of New Hampshire, which is one hundredth of one percent of the assessed valuation, for the purpose of publicizing and promoting the natural advantages and resources of the Town.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $250.00 for spraying trees along the highways.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,900.00 for band concerts, summer and winter activities.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $130.00 for advertising "This is New Hampshire" in an advertising program sponsored by the magazine "New Hampshire Profile."

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 for the support of Huggins Hospital at Wolfeboro, N. H.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $200.00 for the support of Laconia Hospital at Laconia, N. H.
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Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $2,080.00 as a salary for the person on duty as operator of the Fire and Police telephones.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money, not to exceed $2,500.00, to purchase and equip a tank truck for fire fighting and that the Selectmen appoint a committee of three to work with the Fire Wardens to purchase and equip the same.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to elect one Fire Ward for three years, one for two years and one for one year at the 1955 annual Town Meeting and to elect one Fire Ward each year thereafter for a term of three years.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $1,000.00 to build a retaining wall on the shore of the lake, south of the Community House.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to use a part of the surplus cash to relieve the tax rate for 1954.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to rescind any vote that has been taken at previous meetings establishing the office of Water Commissioners.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to create the office of Superintendent of Water Works to be either elected by popular vote or appointed by the Selectmen, said official to be subject to supervision by the Board of Selectmen whether elected or appointed.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to make the following extensions to the water system: to Riverside Drive so called, to extend 6" mains to Oak Birch Inn, also to extend summer service through the Hobbs-Jones develop-
ment and to authorize the Selectmen to borrow on long
term notes or bonds, a sum not to exceed $10,000.00 to
finance the same. This work shall be performed under the
direct supervision of the Selectmen and shall be done by
the contract method.

Article 25. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, com-
mittees or officers heretofore chosen and to pass any vote
relating thereto.

Article 26. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the
ensuing year, to elect one Selectman for three years, one
Library Trustee for three years, one Trustee of Trust
Funds for three years and one Water Commissioner for
three years.

Given under our hands and seal this 19th day of February,
1954.

W. ROY BARNHILL
CHESTER W. LITTLEFIELD
LEON T. DODGE
Selectmen of Alton

A true copy, Attest:

W. ROY BARNHILL
CHESTER W. LITTLEFIELD
LEON T. DODGE
Selectmen of Alton
SELECTMEN’S REPORT

Valuation April 1st, 1953

Real Estate (Land and Buildings) $3,211,090.00
Electric Plants 121,882.00
Personal Estate 239,165.00

Gross Valuation $3,572,137.00
Less Soldiers’ exemptions 107,467.00

Net Valuation on which tax rate is based $3,464,670.00

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Total Liabilities: $83,556.82  $104,979.13
Total Assets: $62,135.51  $75,111.63

Net Debt: $21,421.31  $29,867.50
## TOTAL EXPENDITURES

January 1, 1953 - December 31, 1953

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Tarvia 4,202.32
Water Works (Beach) 1,000.00
Temporary Loans 40,000.00
Term Notes 6,183.00
County Tax 10,295.05
Precinct 1,500.00
School District 64,209.62*
State Head Tax 4,891.26

$236,089.97

* $21,709.62 (’52-’53)
   42,500.00 (’53-’54)

$64,209.62

DETAIL OF REFUNDS, SELECTMEN’S ACCOUNT

From the State:

Forestry Training $10.18
Forest Lands 22.08
Old Age Assistance 1,100.39
Forest Fires 204.20
Gas Tax 64.13
Grader 1,157.50
Bounties 205.00

All other sources:

Tarvia 1,596.10
Shore roads 1,508.60
Grader 399.15
Fire Bills 956.15
Summer Highway work 258.40
Ambulance 286.00
Alton Fuel Co. 42.75
Culverts 75.72
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Chloride 3.70
Social Security 70.52
Insurance 81.12
Advanced Wages 25.00
Relief 40.00
Firewood 12.00
Trust Funds (band concerts) 420.00

Total $7,156.90

DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Detail 1. Town Officers' Salaries:

Raymond C. Duncan, Tax Collector $1,385.00
Ethel W. Morrell, Town Clerk (fees) 634.00
W. Roy Barnhill, Selectman 492.50
Chester W. Littlefield, Selectman 445.50
Leon T. Dodge, Selectman 394.00
Stella F. Ayer, Treasurer 246.25
Frank M. Ayer, Trust Funds 100.00
State of N. H., Social Security 49.50

Total $3,746.75

Appropriation $3,800.00
Expenditures 3,746.75

Unexpended balance $53.25

Detail 2. Town Officers' Expenses:

Jones Agency, insurance $325.90
Morrell's Agency, insurance 163.00
Alton Press, printing 380.80
Sargent Brothers, printing 87.63
Farmington News, printing 66.25
E. C. Eastman Co., supplies 140.65
Brown-Saltmarsh Co., supplies 17.41
J. Jones & Son, supplies 8.75
Goodman’s Book Store, supplies 3.30
Wheeler-Clark, supplies 5.26
Burroughs Co., service-supplies 24.62
James F. McGrath, labor-supplies 20.61
Martin A. Lynch, postage 36.38
Arthur P. Varney, postage 11.00
Joseph A. O'Brien, stamps, box rent 10.40
Chas. P. Raymond, Registrar of Deeds 55.20
R. C. Tilton, Registrar of Probate 1.50
George H. Wallace, auditor 59.50
Robert Jones, auditor 42.00
R. C. Duncan, supplies, expenses 183.97
E. W. Morrell, supplies, expenses 72.85
F. M. Ayer, supplies, expenses 49.16
W. Roy Barnhill, supplies, expenses 20.44
Stella F. Ayer, supplies, expenses 7.32
Studley Flower Gardens, spray 5.00
Association of N. H. Assessors, dues 3.00
N. H. Tax Collector Association, dues 2.00
Town Clerk’s Association, dues 2.00

Total $1,806.90

Appropriation $2,000.00
Expenditures 1,806.90

Unexpended balance $193.10

**Detail 3. Election and Registration:**

Farmington News, printing $38.50
Merrymeeting Grange, dinners 36.00
Carolyn Wallace, supervisor 23.00
Nelle S. P. Clough, supervisor 23.00
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Burton Hale, supervisor 23.00
Frank M. Ayer, moderator 20.00
Elizabeth Beaudette, inspector 8.00
Pauline Card, inspector 8.00
R. C. Duncan, inspector 8.00

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Unexpended balance $162.50

Detail 5. Town Hall and Buildings:

- Alton Fuel Co., fuel oil $747.11
- White Mt. Power Co., electricity 222.54
- Union Telephone Co., telephones 165.00
- Jones Agency, insurance 368.60
- Morrell's Agency, insurance 191.95
- Frank M. Ayer, insurance 50.00
- Chas. H. Andrews, janitor 1,255.00
- Herbert D. Card, labor, material 861.67
- Walter Varney, labor 182.47
- Fred M. Perkins, labor 80.97
- Oliver W. Barnes, material 14.69
- J. Jones & Son, supplies 297.59
- F. J. McGrath, supplies 48.89
- Jas. F. McGrath, labor, material 42.29
- Chas. H. Andrews, painting 263.80
- Richard L. Cate, painting 200.00
- C. Roy Barnes, labor, material 787.12
- Nu-Floor Co., shades 58.55
- West Disinfect Co., floor oil 38.60
- Alton Water Works, '53 water 50.00
- The Clock Shop, repairs 7.50
- State of N. H., Social Security 25.80
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Highway payroll, labor 6.60
A. Hallworth, piano tuning 6.00
Waxine Co., supplies 4.45
Curtis Whittier, signs 2.00
Fred Brown, labor 1.50

Total $5,980.69

Appropriation $5,200.00
Expenditures 5,980.69

Over draft $780.69

Detail 6. Police Department:

State of N. H., Social Security $48.65
Frank M. Ayer, insurance 86.00
Morrell’s Agency, insurance 30.85
Jones Agency, bond 10.00
Harold E. Tibbetts, hospital bill 75.00
James F. McGrath, labor, material 85.61
Union Telephone Co., phone bills 35.25
Downing’s Garage, gas, oil, tires, etc. 78.85
Wyman’s Garage, gas, oil, etc. 32.33
Smith-Bennett Co., shirts 30.10
W. S. Darley Co., supplies 32.10
Harold E. Tibbetts, supplies 16.58
J. Jones & Son, supplies 7.93
Harold E. Tibbetts, payroll 1,584.21
Gardner L. Rowell, payroll 927.41
Ralph A. Weeks, payroll 326.40
Clarence Hills, payroll 88.51
Ralph Jardine, payroll 5.00
Ray Lamont, payroll 3.75
Dwight Drew, payroll 3.13
Richard Downing, payroll 2.50
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Curtis Whittier, signs 12.00

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Wyman's Garage, gas          1.50
Wolley's Co., express          2.27
Rawland Dore, payroll            893.80
Alton Water Works, hydrant rental    1,920.00

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Unexpended balance                   $59.40

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Total $1,629.47

### Detail 13. Special Articles:

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**Total Appropriations**: $5,444.00  
**Refunds**:  
- (band concerts) $420.00  
- (shore roads) $1,508.60  
- (surplus*) $1,563.37  

**Total available**: $8,935.97  
**Expenditures**: $7,614.57  
**Unexpended balance**: $1,321.40

### Detail 16. General Expense of Highway:

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<td>Dick's Amoco, gas, oil</td>
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Total: $5,611.03

Appropriation: $4,500.00

Refunds (grader-culvert): $1,632.37
(gas tax): $64.13
(chloride): $3.70

Total available: $6,200.20
Expenditures: $5,611.03

Unexpended balance: $589.17

Highway Payroll, 1953

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Hartley Shields 16.00
Robert Thoroughgood 21.10
Clarence Tuttle 10.50
Franklin Varney 983.70
Forrest Varney 1,856.40 1,032.70
Vance Varney 836.50
George Varney 184.10
George Wakefield 2,801.20
William Waterman 205.70

Totals $12,440.30 $5,655.80

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Unexpended balance $153.59
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**Total** $627.57

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Unexpended balance $1,872.43

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| Appropriation | **$300.00** |
| Expended | **101.22** |

| Unexpended balance | **$198.78** |

## Detail 25. Parks and Playgrounds

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| Appropriation | **$2,000.00** |
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H.

Expended 1,993.50

Unexpended balance $7.50

RECEIPTS
January 1, 1953 - December 31, 1953

From Local Taxes
  Current year Prop. $116,619.45
  Current year Poll 1,038.00
  Previous years Prop. & Poll 17,076.63
  Tax Sales Redeemed 752.74
  From the State 14,421.75
  Dog Licenses 576.07
  Business Licenses and Permits 425.50
  Fines and Forfeits 390.00
  Blue Cross 692.10
  Sale and Rent of Town Prop. 1,332.00
  Interest 1,428.38
  Registrations Motor Vehicle 6,385.46
  Refunds all other sources 7,156.90
  Head Tax Penalties 3,884.00
  Yield Taxes 5,385.74
  Temporary Loans 40,000.00
  Bonds and Term Notes 22,400.00
  On Hand, January 1st, 1953 19,676.94
  Total receipts $259,641.66
  Total expenditures 236,089.97
  Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1953 $23,551.69

White Pine Blister Rust Control
Financial Statement
1953
Town of Alton

Town funds expended $400.00
Cooperative funds expended 280.02

Total expended $680.02
Area covered 1,787 acres
Currant and gooseberry bushes destroyed 4,266
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Amount received for 982 auto permits, 1953-54 $6,385.46
Amount received for collecting 982 at 50c 491.00

$5,894.46

Dog License Fees, 1953-54:

190 males at $2.00 $380.00
27 females at $5.00 135.00
4 kennels at $12.00 48.00
9 part year 13.07

$576.07

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ETHEL W. MORRILL,
Town Clerk.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

To the Taxpayers and Residents of the Town of Alton:

Again I am presenting for your approval my annual report as Collector for the year ending December 31, 1953. I believe the details are shown clearly and that you will be able to understand the various items as shown. Collections have been somewhat more difficult during 1953, nevertheless, approximately 85% of the warrants committed for collection have been received.

As in previous reports the accounts have been divided into six parts, namely:
1. Total receipts during 1953 from all sources.
4. Balance Sheet for Levies of years previous to 1952.
5. Balance Sheet of State Head Taxes for years of 1953 and 1952.

Part 1

Total Receipts for 1953

Levy of 1953

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Levy of 1952

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Levies of Previous Years

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Redemptions from Sales (All Years)

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Total receipts remitted to Treasurer during 1953 **$145,373.25**
### Balance Sheet of Levy of 1953

#### Dr.

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Uncollected, December 31, 1953:

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**Total credits**  $23,595.42

**Total credits**  $144,664.84

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Part 3

Balance Sheet of Levy of 1952

**Dr.**

Uncollected, December 31, 1952:

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**Added Taxes:**

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**Total debits**  $21,408.87

**Cr.**

Remittances to Treasurer:

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**Total**  $19,746.50

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**Total**  $595.90
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H.

Uncollected, December 31, 1953:

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Part 4

Levies of Years Previous to 1952

Dr.

Uncollected, December 31, 1952:

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Interest Collected, all accounts 45.44

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#### Part 5

**Balance Sheet for State Head Taxes for 1953, 1952 and 1951**

**Levy of 1953**

**Dr.**

- Committed to Collector | $4,325.00 |
- Added Head Taxes | 70.00 |
- Penalties Collected | 6.50 |

**Total debits** | **$4,401.50** |

**Cr.**

- Remittances to Treasurer | $3,251.50 |
- Abatements authorized by Selectmen | 170.00 |
- Uncollected, December 31, 1953 | 980.00 |

**Total credits** | **$4,401.50** |

**Levy of 1952**

**Dr.**

- Uncollected, December 31, 1952 | $990.00 |
- Added Head Taxes | 40.00 |
- Penalties Collected | 57.00 |

**Total debits** | **$1,087.00**
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H.

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer $627.00
Abatements authorized by Selectmen 340.00
Uncollected, December 31, 1953 120.00

Total credits $1,087.00

Levy of 1951

Dr.

Uncollected, December 31, 1952 $57.00
Penalties Collected .50

Total debits $57.50

Cr.

Remittances to Treasurer $5.50
Abatements authorized by Selectmen 52.00

Total credits $57.50

Part 6

Summary of Tax Sales Accounts as of December 31, 1953

Dr.

1952 1951 Previous Totals

Balance of Unredeemed Tax Sales as of Dec. 1, 1952 $688.47 $150.55 $839.02

Taxes sold to Town

Sept. 30, 1953 $1,090.54 1,090.54
Interest Collected 3.22 27.01 30.23

Total debits $1,093.76 $715.48 $150.55 $1,959.79
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H.

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The above report is correct and in order according to my best knowledge and belief.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND C. DUNCAN,
Collector.

December 31, 1953.

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TREASURER’S REPORT

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<td>Received from State Railroad Tax</td>
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Respectfully submitted,

Stella F. Ayer, Treasurer
## Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Alton, N. H.

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<th>TRUST FUNDS</th>
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<th>Amount of Principal</th>
<th>Balance Beginning Year</th>
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**TOTALS**

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

December 31, 1953

Alta H. McDuffee, Calvin J. Wyman, Frank M. Ayer, Trustees.

We, the undersigned, having examined the foregoing account, find it properly vouched and correctly cast.

January 14, 1954.

George H. Wallace, Lester F. Downing, Auditors.
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H.

TRUST FUND EXPENDITURES

Disbursements from Income

William B. Messer, care of cemetery lots $519.50
Spring cleaning 25.00
Filling graves 12.50
Flowers and urns 15.00
Care of water pipes 15.00
Pauline M. Kimball, care of Kimball lot 8.00
Villie L. Grant, care of Glidden lot, West Alton 2.50
Town of Alton, for three Band Concerts 420.00
Evmarede Trio 85.00
Farmington News, printing 16.00
Stage decoration 8.20
Bill Cunningham 200.00
Alton Water Works, service 6.00
Library Trustees, book fund 133.00
Invested in new stock 488.75
Deposited to the credit of lot owners 1,480.29

$3,434.74

INVESTED FUNDS

December 31st, 1953

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$47,792.30

TRUST FUND INVESTMENTS

Income of 1953

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<td>The Southern New England Telephone Co.</td>
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$2,364.14

Interest on income of Investments | 40.48
Withdrawn from bank                | 875.00
New Fund for Perpetual Care        | 300.00
Refund from broker                 | .40
Balance in check book beginning of year | 229.70

Total Receipts                       | $3,809.72
Less Expenditures                   | 3,434.74

Balance on hand at end of year      | $374.98
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H.

Report of Treasurer

LIGHTING PRECINCT TREASURER

ALTON LIGHTING PRECINCT

December 31, 1953

Receipts

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$2,925.66

Payments

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<td>Raymond C. Duncan, Commissioner</td>
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<td>Lawrence P. Beck, Commissioner</td>
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<td>Raymond A. Lamont, Commissioner</td>
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<td>Frank M. Ayer, Moderator</td>
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<td>Harry B. Lang, Clerk</td>
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<td>Gladys D. Duncan, Treasurer</td>
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$2,847.00

Balance on Hand, December 31, 1953

78.66

$2,925.66

Respectfully submitted,

GLADYS D. DUNCAN,
Treasurer.

AUDITORS’ REPORT

As your duly elected auditors, we have carefully checked the accounts of the town treasurer, tax collector, precinct treasurer, trustees of trust funds, library trustees, water department and treasurer of the lighting precinct along with the bank statement of the several departments.

According to the best of our knowledge and belief they are properly vouched and correctly cast and are a true account of the business of the town for the year ending December 31, 1953.

GEORGE H. WALLACE,
LESTER F. DOWNING,
Auditors.
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H.

WATER DEPARTMENT

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

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<th>Assets</th>
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<td>Cash on hand</td>
<td>$3,628.07</td>
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<td>Accounts Receivable</td>
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<td>2,568.02</td>
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<td>Due from town:</td>
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<td>$13,072.10</td>
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| Liabilities                   |               |               |
| Bond debt                     | $28,900.00    | $31,500.00    |
| Total Liabilities             | $28,900.00    | $31,500.00    |
| Net debt                      | 15,827.90     | 15,942.86     |

Town of Alton 1953 Valuation Alton Water Works System $68,786.48

WATER DEPARTMENT RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, 1953

Receipts

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<td>Farmington Bank (term note)</td>
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Total Expended $10,706.03

Cash on hand December 31, 1953 $6,989.12

### Inventory Account

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<td>$4,725.69</td>
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<td>Added during year</td>
<td>3,115.40*</td>
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Total added $7,841.09

Taken from stock during year 3,181.03

Inventory value December 31 $4,660.06
### Statement of Town of Alton Serial Notes

**HELD BY FARMINGTON NATIONAL BANK**

as of December 31, 1953

1. **Issue of November 14, 1938, $8,600.00, 3%, (Water)**

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2. **Issue of March 13, 1942, $20,000.00, 2 3/4%, (Water)**

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3. **Issue of September 29, 1948 $10,000., 2 3/4%, (Water)**

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4. Issue of April 22, 1949, $10,000., 2 3/4%. (Water)

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5. **Issue of May 2, 1952, $13,915.00, 2½% (Grader)**

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6. **Issue of July 25, 1952, $3,000.00, 2½%, (Ambulance)**

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7. **Issue of May 18, 1953, $10,000., 2½% (T.R.A.)**

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9. Issue of July 1, 1953, $10,000, 2½%, (T.R.A.)
Through the generosity of a native son, Oliver J. M. Gilman, who was born at East Alton January 31, 1847, and died July 14, 1915, several bequests were made to benefit the town of Alton. Included among these was $10,000 for a public library.

Since the will stipulated that the money could not be used during Mrs. Gilman’s lifetime, it remained at interest
until she died in 1927. Then, with the value of dollars having decreased, there was not nearly enough money to construct even a small building. Therefore the bequest continued to remain at interest until 1940 when the building committee that had been appointed completed details and gave the architect, Mr. Edward Richardson of Dover, authority to proceed with the plans. But in a few days Mr. Richardson informed the committee that because of the beginning of World War II he was not able to obtain steel and other materials now necessary for the war effort.

Consequently the building of the library had to be delayed again, this time until 1950, when, with the amount having built up to $20,000, the trustees of the library, the selectmen and the trustees of the trust funds decided that if the library were not built now it might never be accomplished, since money was increasingly becoming of less value. Therefore, using the original blue prints modified to a certain extent, work under the direction of C. Roy Barnes was begun.

As building progressed it became more and more evident that the amount of money on hand would not be sufficient to complete the structure. A special town meeting was called, at which time $3,000 was voted from the Post War Fund. This enabled the work to continue.

Gilman Library was completed in the early fall of 1951 and officially opened September 15 under the supervision of Miss Annie A. Wheeler, librarian.

It is a beautiful structure, admired by townspeople, summer residents and strangers who say that not only is the building well planned but that it also has an unusually fine collection of books on its shelves.

Alton is indeed fortunate to have had a benefactor of the intellectual stature of Oliver J. M. Gilman who could foresee that a library would be a necessary part of Alton's
future and as is stated on the memorial plaque in the adult reading room gave it in token of his generosity and faith in his fellow townsmen.

Along with Mr. Gilman recognition should also be given to Mr. Lewis P. Varney who generously donated the land upon which the library has been built. Mr. Varney was foresighted in that he saw the possibility of a library some day and recognized that a central plot for it would be a great advantage.

Gilman Library is indeed a marked addition to the town of Alton and provides both a source of education and a spot of beauty.

REPORT OF GILMAN LIBRARY

Financial Statement

Cash on hand January 1, 1953 $23.78

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H.

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Cash on hand December 31, 1953

$383.54

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REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT ENDING
DECEMBER 31, 1953

Arrests 69
By Police Department 31
By State Police 16
By Conservation Department 21
By Sheriff's Department 1
Complaints investigated 51
Accidents 47
Persons to locate 20
Arrests for other police departments 5
Breaks reported 18
Apprehended from industrial schools 3
Obstructing highway 1
Pocketbooks stolen 4
Damage to property 2
Disturbing the peace 8
Complaints on dogs 12
Stolen cars recovered 2
Mail boxes destroyed 12
Death by fire 1
False alarms 1
Stolen goods value $647.00
Stolen goods recovered 482.00
Ambulance calls 51
Fees for use of ambulance $259.00
Outstanding bills 35.00

I wish to thank the citizens of Alton for their cooperation and trust you will continue the good public relations that now exist.

The ambulance is a great asset to the town. I have tried to keep it in the best of condition, clean and ready at all times.
Many people, I am sorry to say, have failed to comprehend the large increase that is required of your police department. Where we used to worry about enforcing a few laws, we now have a great many. Our increase in population during the summer plus traffic, amusements, accidents and ambulance calls means a greater demand for police.

The department I feel has given of their best with what they have had to do with, together with being loyal and courteous in performance of their duty.

HAROLD E. TIBBETTS,
Chief.

REPORT OF PARK TRUSTEES
Charlesworth Levey Park

During the years since the hurricane of '38 laid waste our once beautiful Charlesworth Levey Park little could be done to assist nature in reforesting the area except to cut out the weed trees occasionally. This has been done under the direction of the state forester.

This fall two sections of the area have again been cleared. The town allowed $100.00 which was sufficient to trim and clear away the brush for some distance, back from and along the length of the highway. A second section near the river was trimmed by the Boy Scouts and their fathers—25 in number—under the supervision of two of the trustees.

There is still much to be done and it is hoped the remainder of the area may be cleared this coming year and
young Norways planted in any open spaces where seedlings have not started.

The Rest-A-While has been kept attractive for the enjoyment of the traveling public through the constant efforts of the highway attendants who have disposed of waste paper and other rubbish and garden club members who have cared for plantings by the old wall and along the fence that borders the highway.

We are looking forward to the future when once again forest growth will tower above our heads and pine needles will furnish a carpet for our feet. The day is not far distant when the dreams which inspired our leaders of the '20's to secure the funds for the purchase of this property may be realized. The Park will become a haven for small children, for parents and visitors and a sanctuary where our young people may study nature at first hand, to learn our native birds and their habits, our soil, our trees and become acquainted with, and learn to love the atmosphere of a forest. We may even be able to carry out our original idea of presenting an historical pageant in the large bowl in the center of the area. This bowl is the finest in the state with an historical background of Indian legend.

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ALFRED FOSIE,
RICHARD S. DOWNING,
Park Trustees.
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OF THE
SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF
Alton, New Hampshire

FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30th

1953
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PART I. ADMINISTRATION

(a) Officers of the School District 1953-1954

Moderator
FREDERICK M. PERKINS

Clerk
ELIZABETH BEAUDETTE

School Board

HAROLD C. SANBORN Term Expires 1954
ELLIO T W. BURBANK Term Expires 1955
ARTHUR F. TILTON Term Expires 1956

Treasurer
BEATRICE E. H. GOWEN

Auditors

GEORGE H. WALLACE ROBERT E. JONES

Superintendent of Schools
JOHN W. DAY

Truant Officer
CLARENCE BARNES

Census Taker
RICHARD S. LOVEJOY

School Nurse
ANNIE L. ROSENQUIST

Union Secretary
MARJORIE WHITE

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American citizens, I think, agree with professional educators, that the purpose of education is the development of each individual for the fullest participation in the American democratic way of life. This is a pretty big order. As our economic system changes from the agricultural, independent type to an industrial, interdependent sys-
tem, preparing the good citizen becomes more difficult. As our out-
look changes from national pride to international leadership, the
teaching of history, current events, and an understanding of the
soundness of the democratic ideals makes education more complex.
As we learn that democracy should apply to all phases of American
life, economic, and social, as well as political, our task becomes more
demanding. We can define our goals in terms of the democratic ideal;
but we discover this is much easier than putting them into practice.
“Education does not mean teaching people what they do not know; it
means teaching them to behave as they do not behave.”

What Shall We Do With Our Increased Enrollment?
The national birthrate has jumped from 2,400,000 in 1937, to an
estimated 4,000,000 in 1953. In 1906 about 10% of the pupils of high
school age attended, while now more than 80% are in high school.
Our census taken September 1952 showed twenty pupils for grade 1,
in the fall of 1953. Instead, we have had more than 30 enroll. Though
Alton is non-industrial, it is a very desirable place to live, and is
getting a share of the national population increase.

During the present year, we found it necessary to request emer-
gency funds from your budget committee for an additional teacher.
Since Thanksgiving time, we have employed a person to teach our
sixth grade and help with physical education. After studying possi-
bilities for housing these children elsewhere in town, it was decided
best to hold classes in the cafeteria and shop for the present year.

Census figures show that larger enrollments are likely to continue.
We have been running combination classes, Grades I and II, III and
IV, V and VI. In the very near future it appears that we shall need
rooms and teachers for single grades throughout. Teachers cannot
adequately teach double grades of more than 30 pupils. The national
average for elementary classrooms is about thirty. Twenty-five is the
desirable number if teachers are to have sufficient time for individual
needs of the children.
Is Our Program Adequate?

It is unusual for a high school of less than 100 pupils to have as broad a program as you provide your children. I am pleased that this is possible. We do not believe in slighting the general courses or the academic. All of your pupils are now having a minimum of 4 years in English and 4 years in history. Some mathematics and science is provided for all pupils. College work in mathematics, science, language is elective. Our commercial program is nearly complete, and our shop program is available for our boys. Home economics courses provide knowledge and practice in homemaking. We continue to need more physical education activities. These should not be limited to athletic teams, but should provide physical and social development for all, including particularly the elementary pupils.

Many of our teachers have taken courses to improve themselves professionally. We must always be alert to improve our teaching methods, and apply new ideas as soon as there is real assurance of their value.

In What Condition Is Our School Property?

Our building is very clean and sanitary, due to conscientious care by Mr. Stevens. Last summer some needed bookshelves were added in two rooms. Twenty-five moveable desk units were provided. Two teacher's desks have been supplied. Equipment for the commercial room is nearly sufficient, but we are starting a policy of replacing machines so we shall continue to have new models. Shop equipment for woodworking is adequate. We must purchase more if the program is to include automotive and metal working units.

Some interior painting was completed by our custodian and a local contractor. The shop building received additional coats of paint both inside and out, and the cement floor was sealed. We are planning to strengthen the supports under the floor of one room during the winter vacation. It is our desire to keep all of our school property in good repair.

What About School Finances?

Increased enrollment, the addition of complete commercial and shop courses, extension of transportation routes, extensive repairs and renovation, capital outlay for the new shop and equipment, additional teachers and increased salaries, inflation, have combined to cause a large increase in your school budget. It seems unavoidable
if we are to give our boys and girls in Alton the quality of education comparable to other good communities.

We find it necessary to ask for another deficiency appropriation to cover costs of the additional teacher and classroom equipment. The deficiency may be less than first thought necessary. We are trying to spend the funds provided wisely, and make them go as far as possible consistent with good education.

The budget proposed for 1954-1955 provides for money to take care of increased enrollments, additional building, and a continuance of present services. We hope that there will be opportunities for thorough discussion of needs and alternate plans. We have no desire to increase costs beyond a necessary minimum but we are faced with the needs and have to propose some solutions.

How Can We Provide Additional Space?

It seems probable that present enrollment increases will continue. We shall need soon three or four additional elementary classrooms. We can continue to add rooms to our present structure in the most economical manner and with the welfare of our children in mind. Or we can start a new structure of four rooms, planned particularly for the primary children. This new structure could be a part of an over-all plan, to continue as the years require and local finances make possible. It might include in time, a gymnasium or all-purpose room for school and community activities. We could move gradually towards the most desirable in school building plants.

Such a choice or some other, must be made by the citizens of Alton, after all facts are considered. It would seem wise to include in our warrant for district meeting in March articles which will permit such a choice. Perhaps the voters will wish to adjourn the meeting, postpone action until a special committee can study with the school board, and bring in recommendations for action in mid-summer.

As we plan for our children and the future of Alton, we should bring our best thoughts to bear on the present and future requirements.

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I am grateful for the confidence, support, and friendliness of the people, the school board, the budget committee, the teachers, and the children of your fine community.

JOHN W. DAY.
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H.

(c) A STATEMENT OF

Salary of the Superintendent,

August 1, 1952—June 30, 1953

*(Required by Laws of 1953, Chapter 243, Section 5 as amended.)

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State's Share from Per Capita Tax 2,085.30

Totals $5,958.26 $916.63 $6,874.89

* Though Mr. Day served as superintendent during July 1952, part time, his employment and salary officially began August 1, 1952.
## PART II. INSTRUCTION

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Total Enrollment, January 27, 1954  
238  14.6

Average 53-54 salaries of Alton teachers  
$2,970.00*

Average 53-54 salaries of New Hampshire teachers  
$3,253.00

National average—elementary $3,400; high $3,900.00

*Includes principal
PART III. FINANCE

(a) Annual Report of the District Treasurer for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1953

Cash on hand, July 1, 1952 (Treasurer's Bank Balance) $1,330.70

Received from Selectmen:

  Current Appropriation $44,709.62
  Bond Issue 19,950.00

Received from State Treasurer:

  State Funds 610.02
  Federal Funds 384.15

Received from Tuitions 7,087.00

Received from all Other Sources 449.00

Total Receipts $73,189.79

Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year (Balance and Receipts) $74,520.49

Less School Board Orders Paid 74,520.49

Balance on Hand, June 30, 1953 (Treasurer's Bank Balance) 0000.00

BEATRICE E. H. GOWEN,
District Treasurer.

July 14, 1954

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 Alton, N. H., of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, and find them correct in all respects.

GEORGE H. WALLACE,
ROBERT E. JONES,

Auditors.

September 14, 1953
(b) Financial Report of the School Board for the School Year 1952-1953

Receipts

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Payments

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<td>159.56</td>
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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H.

Instruction

Teachers’ Salaries 28,275.86 13,611.97 14,663.89
Books and Other Instructional Aids 769.48 499.64 359.84
Scholars’ Supplies 854.22 276.87 577.35
Supplies and Other Expenses 695.31 362.66 332.65

Operation of School Plant

Salaries of Janitors 2,213.20 752.72 1,460.48
Fuel or Heat 1,400.00 457.94 942.06
Water, light, supplies and Expenses 993.67 242.00 651.67

Maintenance of School Plant

Repairs and Replacements 1,855.92 815.77 1,040.15

Auxiliary Activities

Health Supervision 767.97 290.94 477.03
Transportation 9,788.00 9,788.00
Tuition 687.12 285.00 402.12
Special Activities and Special Funds 163.18 124.54 38.64
School Lunch (Federal Funds Only) 526.80 175.58 351.22

Fixed Charges

Retirement 1,876.70 628.90 1,247.80
Insurance, Treasurer’s Bonds and Expenses 293.60 98.00 195.00

Total Current Expenses $53,519.58 $19,414.64 $34,104.94

Capital Outlay

Lands and New Buildings 10,877.24 7,251.50 3,625.74
Addition and Improvements to Buildings 7,750.75 2,583.59 5,167.16
New Equipment 2,022.32 1,348.21 674.11

Total Net Payments for All Purposes $74,169.89 $30,597.94 $43,571.95

Cash on Hand at End of Year (June 30, 1953) 000.00

Grand Total, Net Payments $74,169.89
ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF ALTON, N. H.

Explanation of Difference Between Net (Actual) Expenditures and Gross Transactions

A. Receipts

Total Net Income Plus Cash on Hand July 1, 1952, (Agrees with “Grand Total Net Receipts”) $74,169.89
Receipts from Refunds, Double Payments, “In and Out” Transactions Between Districts, Transfers to or from Building or Other Accounts 350.60

Total Gross Income $74,520.49

B. Payments

Total Net Payments Plus Cash on Hand June 30, 1953, (Agrees with “Grand Total Net Payments”) $74,169.89
Payments Refunded or Returned, Payments Made on Centralized Purchasing for Other Districts (to be reported by them), Transfers to or from Building or Other Accounts, Local Tax Funds Returned to Selectmen, etc. 350.60

Total Gross Payments $74,520.49

BALANCE SHEET, JUNE 30, 1953

Assets

Cash on Hand, June 30, 1953 none
Accounts Due the District:
    Tuitions Receivable $140.00
    Total Assets 140.00
Net Debt—Excess of Liabilities Over Assets 22,828.08

Grand Total Liabilities $22,968.08
Accounts Owed by District:
    Manifest No. 1, July 15 $2,632.37

76
Manifest No. 2, July 15  82.92  
Manifest No. 3, July 15  302.79  

Current Amounts owed by district before June 30, remaining unpaid because of no funds  3,018.08  
Notes Outstanding—Farmington National Bank  19,950.00  

Total Liabilities  $22,968.08  

*Net current deficit for School Year 52-53, $2,878.08 covered by deficit appropriation paid over during school year 53-54, and credits received by district treasurer after June 30, 1953.
(c) Budget of the School District of Alton

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### Maintenance of School Plant

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### Fixed Charges

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Total Current Expenses

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### Capital Outlay

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Total Capital Outlay

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**Debt and Interest**

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**Receipts**

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<td><strong>$136,294.17</strong></td>
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### PART IV. PUPIL STATISTICS

(a) Alton School Census Report 1953-1954

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<th>Outside Dist.</th>
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Number of Handicapped children: 3

(b) Census Summary of Recent Years

Total number of boys and girls living in Alton on September 1 from birth through age 18.

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PART V. AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES AND REPORTS

(a) Report of the High School Principal

We started the present school year with the same teaching staff in all the grades. The total enrollment shows a small increase over last year, but with a large increase in the first grade. Over 240 pupils have registered this year, and a few have left for schools in other districts.

Until this year, Mrs. Guy has taught grades 1 and 2. This year, with the unexpected increase in grade 1, she had a total of 46 students. This was a decided handicap, both to her and to the students. A new teacher, Mr. Ira Clark, was employed to teach grade 6. This has resulted in grade 2 moving into Mrs. Parker's room, and grade 4 moving into Mrs. Drew's room. Mrs. Guy now has just the first grade, thirty-one pupils. Mr. Clark, in addition to teaching grade 6, is developing a physical education program with grades 6, 7, and 8. The intent is to expand in the future.

Again, I would like to commend the students for their cooperation in and about the building in helping to keep it looking clean and well-kept. The majority of the students are cooperative, put forth real effort in their work, and maintain a good attendance record. In the case of those who do not, I sincerely urge that the parents check on their children's study habits, and that they see that absences and tardinesses are a necessity, not just a matter of convenience.

A brief survey of last year's class shows: 1 at the University of New Hampshire, 1 at Concord Hospital Nursing School; 2 at Laconia Telephone office; 1 taking the Apprenticeship Course at General Electric in Somersworth; 1 at secretarial school; 1 working for a local dairy concern;
1 working in Wolfeboro; 1 at Laconia Business College; 1 working in Florida; and 1 in the Armed Services.

Of this year's class at the present time 2 have been accepted at the University of New Hampshire; 4 have applied for admittance to the University; 1 has been accepted at Plymouth Teachers' College; 2 are applying to Plymouth Teachers' College.

In conclusion, I wish to thank the School Board, the Superintendent, and the citizens for their splendid cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD S. LOVEJOY,
Principal.
(b) Report of School Health Work

To the Townspeople, School Board, and Superintendent of Schools of the Town of Alton, New Hampshire:

The following is my third annual report of the school health work of the Town of Alton.

The general health of the school children is good. Last spring we had a few scattered cases of whooping cough. However, the common cold and the flu seem to cause the greatest percentage of absence among the pupils.

The annual physical check-up has been performed by the school physician, Dr. A. E. Appleyard, M.D. Grades II, IV, VI, VIII, X, and XII have been examined. This includes a thorough physical examination, blood pressure and urinanalysis. The parents have been notified where defects were found.

The routine hearing- and eye-testing have been made using the audiometer and Massachusetts vision machine. Classroom visits and individual inspections have been made whenever necessary. Home visits have also been made.

If the townspeople of Alton find it necessary and desirable to expand their building, I should like to have you consider our need for a separate room for health services. We do miss a room for individual inspections, eye- and hearing-testing, medical exams, and first aid. It would be of great help for the nurse, students, teachers, doctors.

The following is a statistical report of the school nursing work during the year 1952-53:

Report of Local Medical Services:

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Tests:

Tuberculosis  197
Chest X-Ray  7

Defects Found by Medical Examinations

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Report of School Nurse:

Vision Tests  220
Hearing Tests 213
Inspections  563
Heights  215
Weights  215
First Aid  10
Home visits  337

Defects Found School Nurse:

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Communicable diseases:

Chicken pox  3
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German measles 1
Whooping cough 4
Poliomyelitis 1
Undulant fever 1
Pediculosis 9
Vaccinations, successfully 213

In closing I wish to express my appreciation to parents, teachers, and all others who have assisted me with the school health program. I am always glad to see or hear from parents at any time regarding their children or pertaining to the health program of the school.

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs.) ANNIE L. ROSENQUIST, R. N.,
School Nurse.

A report of the health work which has been done in Alton by the Division of Maternity Infancy and Child Hygiene of the N. H. State Board of Health, cooperating with the local agencies as represented through the Child Health Conference Committee.

Number of clinics held 3
Number children attended 21
Number found with defects 4
Immunized 21,—17 preschool—4 infants

Joanna M. Carter
Staff Nurse,
PART VI. SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1954-1955

(Subject to change)

1954
Sept.  7  Union Teachers’ Meeting
Sept.  8  Schools open
Oct.  12  Columbus Day—No School
Oct.  14-15  Teachers Convention
Nov.  24  Schools close at 1:00 p. m. for Thanksgiving
Nov.  29  Schools open
Dec.  22  Schools close at 1:00 p. m. for Christmas vacation

1955
Jan.  3  Schools open
Feb.  18  Schools close at 1:00 p. m. for winter vacation
Feb.  23  Schools open
Apr.  15  Schools close at 3:00 p. m.
Apr.  25  Schools open
May  30  Memorial Day—No School
June 10  Schools close for summer vacation

Teachers may attend State Teachers’ Convention and appropriate Institutes and Workshops, which will count as part of the 180 days of school required by law. Days lost because of stormy weather or other reasons will be made up on Saturdays preceding vacations, or by continuing in the week of June 13.
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WARRANT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Alton, New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall, in said District, on the 13th day of March 1954, at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

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

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

Article 3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

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

Article 5. To hear the reports of agents, auditors, committees or officers heretofore chosen, and to pass any vote relating thereto.

Article 6. To choose agents, auditors, and committees, in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.

Article 7. To see what sum of money the District will raise and appropriate for the support of schools, for the salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the district, and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from the state equalization fund together with other income; the School Board to certify to the Selectmen the balance between the estimated revenue and the appropriation which balance is to be raised by taxes by the Town.
Article 8. To see if the district will vote to raise and appropriate, in addition to the original appropriation for 1953-1954 a sum of $2,800, to be made available to the school district prior to July 1, 1954, in order to meet unanticipated obligations caused by the salary of an additional teacher, school furnishings, increases in transportation and teachers' retirement.

Article 9. To see what action the district will take in the selection of a suitable site, and to see what sum the district will vote to raise and appropriate for the construction, equipment and furnishing of a new elementary school and the acquisition of any real property that may be necessary for its location, and whether the district will vote to raise such sums through the issuance of serial notes or bonds upon the credit of the district for all or any portion of the sum so raised and appropriated; and to authorize the school board to determine the terms and conditions upon which the notes or bonds shall be issued including their sale and time and place of payment in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Bonds Statutes and any amendments relating thereto.

Article 10. If Article 9 is not adopted, to see what sum the district will vote to raise and appropriate for the construction, equipment, and furnishing of additional room or rooms to Alton Central School, and the acquisition of any real property that may be necessary for their location, and whether the district will vote to raise such sum through the issuance of serial notes or bonds upon the credit of the district for all or any portion of the sum so raised and appropriated; and to authorize the school board to determine the terms and conditions upon which the notes or bonds shall be is-
issued including their sale and time and place of payment in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Bonds Statutes and any amendments relating thereto.

Article 11. If Articles 9 or 10 are not adopted, to see what action the district will take to provide additional classroom space, and what sum the district will raise and appropriate for such purpose.

Article 12. To see if the district will vote to appoint or elect a building committee to advise with the school board in the construction of a new elementary school, or additional rooms to the present school, providing that the plans and specifications and the selection of any site shall finally be approved by the school board acting alone as required by law, and to further authorize the school board to execute any and all contracts or agreements proper and advisable in connection with the construction and equipping of said school.

Article 13. To see if the district will vote to accept gifts or grants from any source whatsoever for the purpose of building and equipping additional classroom space, and/or reducing the amount already appropriated for such purposes.

Article 14. To see if the School District will vote to ratify the action of the School Board in selling the so-called "Much-a-do" school property to Mrs. Ruth Billings, and ratify and confirm the deed given to consummate the sale.

Article 15. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

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Given under our hand at said Alton, New Hampshire, this 26th day of February, 1954.

HAROLD SANBORN,
ELLIOT W. BURBANK,
ARTHUR TILTON,
School Board.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

HAROLD SANBORN,
ELLIOT W. BURBANK,
ARTHUR TILTON,
School Board.