

# **ANNUAL REPORTS**

OF THE TOWN OF

## **LITCHFIELD**

## **NEW HAMPSHIRE**



FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1953



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**JOHN ALBERT REID**

**Born in Litchfield, N. H., August 14, 1874**

**Died September 6, 1953**

He had lived all his life in the Ancestral home, which was a Grant from the King of England over 200 years ago.

Member of the First Presbyterian Church, Hillsborough County Chairman and Town Chairman of the Republican Party, for years. Tax Collector for 29 years, Town Trustee, Library Trustee, Cemetery Trustee, former member of the School Board, Town Constable for 32 years, member of Hillsborough County Commission, Deputy Forest Fire Warden, Subordinate and Pomona Deputy of the New Hampshire State Grange for 17 years, Past Master and Charter member of Naumkeag Grange, Past Master of Hillsborough County Pomona Grange, Charter member of Hill-Rock Pomona Grange, and through his efforts in Legislature, The Charles Bancroft Highway—Route 3-A—was built in town.

## TOWN OFFICERS

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### Moderator

CHARLES B. CAMPBELL

### Town Clerk

BARBARA CAMPBELL

### Treasurer

STERLING COLBY

### Selectmen

FRED McQUESTEN                      GEORGE L. ADAMS  
ROLAND J. LEVESQUE

### Highway Agent

ARNOLD C. CAMPBELL

### Auditors

FREDERICK C. GOFFE                      OLIVE CAMPBELL

### Supervisors

ELIZABETH C. MORRILL                      LIZZIE B. LEACH  
DORIS GOFFE

### Ballot Clerks

ERDINE MacDOUGALL                      JOHN A. REID  
HARRIET ALLEN                              JEAN H. LEACH

### Tax Collector

FRANK P. HAYES, JR.

**Chief of Police**

DAVID A. CAMPBELL

**Police Officers**

CHARLES B. CAMPBELL  
FRED McQUESTEN

SYLVESTER A. REID  
JOHN JANOSZ

**Constable**

ALLEN M. KENDALL

**Forest Fire Warden**

FRED McQUESTEN

**Deputy Fire Wardens**

SYLVESTER A. REID  
ROY H. CAMPBELL

DAVID A. CAMPBELL  
JOHN A. REID

ROBERT GODDARD

**Fire Department**

ROBERT JERRY, Chief  
FRANCIS SMITH, Deputy Chief  
HOWARD PARKER, Deputy Chief

**Health Officer**

RICHARD C. LEACH

**Library Trustees**

HELEN PARKER  
REBECCA BLODGETT  
FREDERICK C. GOFFE

CORABEL COLBY  
WILLIAM McELWAIN  
DAVID A. CAMPBELL

**Librarian**

FLORENCE C. CENTER

**Moderator School District**

CHARLES B. CAMPBELL

**Clerk School District**

LEWIS C. GOFFE

**Treasurer School District**

GLADYS A. LOCKE

**School Board**

LEWIS C. GOFFE

BERTHA G. CROWELL

OLIVE CAMPBELL

**Auditors School District**

EDWIN B. HILL

HELEN M. PARKER

**Trustees Town Trust Funds**

WILFRED ALLEN

JOHN A. REID

DAVID A. CAMPBELL

**Fence Viewing**

CHARLES B. CAMPBELL

JOHN A. REID

IRA D. FORD

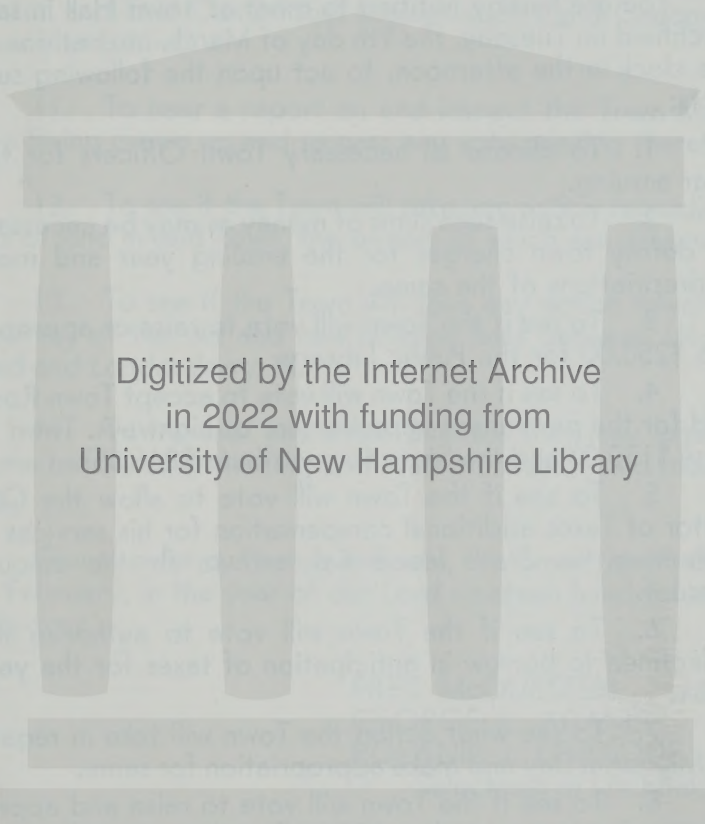
**Surveyors Wood and Lumber**

CHARLES B. CAMPBELL

JOHN A. REID

IRA D. FORD





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## TOWN WARRANT

### THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Litchfield on Tuesday, the 9th day of March, next at one of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.
3. To see if the Town will vote to raise or appropriate \$250.00 for the Public Library.
4. To see if the Town will vote to accept Town Road Aid for the permanent improvement of highways. Town to raise \$130.03 and the State to contribute \$866.85.
5. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Collector of Taxes additional compensation for his services in collecting the State Head Tax and to fix the amount thereof.
6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of taxes for the year 1954.
7. To see what action the Town will take in regard to Memorial Day and make appropriation for same.
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not exceeding \$50.00 (less than 1/100th of one percent of the Town's assessed valuation) to the Merrimack Valley Regional Association for the purpose of publicizing and promoting the natural advantages and resources of the Town in cooperation with the other 37 Communities of this Region, or act in relation thereto.

9. To see what action the Town will take regarding new fire equipment and what amount of money the Town will raise and appropriate for same.

10. To see if the Town will take any action to secure copies of the early records of the Town supposed to be in Boston and East Cambridge, Massachusetts and Concord, New Hampshire.

11. To hear a report on and inspect the Town Map now being drawn up and to pass any vote relating thereto.

12. To see if the Town will take any action regarding lots of land in said Town, the owners of which are unknown.

13. To see if the Town will take any action towards a survey of the old and new division lines between Litchfield and Londonderry, N. H.

14. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting and read minutes of said meeting.

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

FRED McQUESTEN  
GEORGE L. ADAMS  
ROLAND J. LEVESQUE  
Selectmen of Litchfield.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:  
FRED McQUESTEN  
GEORGE L. ADAMS  
ROLAND J. LEVESQUE  
Selectmen of Litchfield.

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

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### SUMMARY INVENTORY

Lands and Buildings	\$454,512.00
Electric Plants	106,165.00
Horses (5)	375.00
Neat Stock (7)	450.00
Cows (79)	8,475.00
Hogs (3)	75.00
Fowls (2,575)	2,575.00
Portable Mills (3)	650.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks (14)	1,610.00
Stock in Trade	7,300.00
Mills and Machinery	20,680.00
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	\$602,867.00
Less Soldiers' Exemptions and Exemptions to Blind	\$21,600.00
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	\$581,267.00

Estimated Revenue From:

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 95.00	
Savings Bank Tax	42.00	
Reimbursement a/c State Land	14.00	
Reimbursement a/c Growing Wood & Timber	500.00	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,800.00	
Dog Licenses	100.00	
Interest on Taxes	60.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,611.00

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TAXES COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR

Property Taxes	\$ 25,951.24
Poll Taxes	426.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	96.00
Timber Yield Tax	348.63
State Head Tax, 261 @ \$5.00	1,305.00

Tax Rate \$44.80 per \$1,000.00 Valuation

**COMPARATIVE LIST OF  
APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES  
AND BUDGET**

	Previous Year 1953	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1953	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1954
	Appropriations		
Town Officers' Salaries \$	650.00	\$ 720.00	\$ 725.00
Town Officers' Expenses	825.00	467.10	825.00
Election and Registration Expenses	150.00	384.80	400.00
Municipal Court Expenses		8.00	
Town Hall	450.00	79.77	475.00
Police Department	400.00	352.99	350.00
Fire Department	300.00	409.15	350.00
Ambulance Service	100.00	36.00	50.00
Forest Fires	300.00	1,453.81	300.00
Town Dump	100.00	107.00	100.00
Town M'ntenance-Summer	350.00	550.00	400.00
Town M'ntenance-Winter	1,000.00	374.25	800.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	100.00	71.15	100.00
Town Road Aid		152.29	130.00
Library	37.50	37.50	250.00
Town Poor	200.00	162.74	60.00
Old Age Assistance	450.00	480.59	480.00
Memorial Day	50.00	50.00	50.00
County Poor		2.00	
Cemeteries	25.00	22.50	100.00
Dog Damage	50.00		50.00
Interest—Temporary Loan	60.00	73.34	70.00
County Taxes	2,900.00	2,172.89	2,200.00
School District	20,654.10	18,055.61	21,633.50
	<b>\$29,151.60</b>	<b>\$26,341.88</b>	<b>\$30,023.50</b>

## BALANCE SHEET

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### Assets

Cash on Hand Dec. 31, 1053	\$13,302.67	
Uncollected Tax 1953	2,619.21	
Uncollected Tax 1952	26.56	
Uncollected Tax 1951	12.66	
Uncollected Head Tax 1953	305.00	
Uncollected Timber Tax 1953	122.56	
Uncollected State Forest Fire 1953	374.49	
Reimbursement from State and Federal Forest lands	24.78	
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### Liabilities

Due School District 1953		
Appropriations	\$12,844.72	
Uncollected Head Tax 1953	1,030.48	
Excess of Assets Over Liabilities	2,912.73	
	<hr/>	\$16,787.93

### TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Motor Vehicle Permits	\$ 1,824.11	
Dog Licenses	115.00	
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BARBARA CAMPBELL

Town Clerk.

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1953 Warrant( Prop., Poll, Bank Tax)	\$26,473.24
Paid Sterling Colby, Treasurer	\$23,854.03
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1953	2,619.21
	\$26,473.24

### RECEIVED:

Total Payments to Sterling Colby:	
1953 Tax (Prop., Poll, and Bank)	\$23,854.03
1952 Tax (Prop., Poll)	2,221.48
1952 Tax (Prop., Poll Interest)	50.27
1951 Tax (Prop., Poll)	177.74
1951 Tax (Prop., Poll Interest)	9.05
1950 Tax (Prop., Poll)	35.90
1950 Tax (Prop., Poll Interest)	2.00
Head Tax 1953	1,010.00
Head Tax 1953 Interest	1.00
Head Tax 1952	315.00
Head Tax 1952 Interest	21.50
Head Tax 1951	5.00
Head Tax 1951 Interest	.50
Timber Tax 1952	339.20
Timber Tax 1952 Interest	4.32
Timber Tax 1953	226.07
	\$28,273.06
Total Received	



UNCOLLECTED:

1953 Tax (Prop., Poll, and Bank)	\$ 2,619.21	
1952 Tax (Prop., Poll)	26.56	
1952 Tax (Prop., Poll Interest)	10.00	
1951 Tax (Prop., Poll)	12.66	
1950 Tax (Prop., Poll)	.01	
Head Tax 1953	305.00	
Timber Tax 1953	122.56	
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Uncollected Total		\$ 3,096.00

F. P. HAYES JR.

Collector.

Audited Jan. 26, 1954.

F. C. GOFFE

OLIVE CAMPBELL



	<b>Prop. &amp; Bank</b>	<b>Poll</b>	<b>Head</b>	<b>Timber</b>
1953 Warrant	26,029.24	444.00	1,305.00	348.63
Tax Collected	23,484.03	346.00	1,000.00	226.07
Tax Collected (Extra)	18.00	6.00	10.00	
Tax Uncollected	2,545.21	98.00	305.00	122.56
1953 Warrant plus additions	26,047.24	450.00	1,315.00	348.63
1952 Taxes Uncollected	26.56	10.00		
1951 Taxes Uncollected	12.66			
1950 Taxes Uncollected	.01			

Allowance for attending meeting—Manchester	\$	5.00
Mileage—Bank deposits, withdrawals and collections and appointments		26.30
Record time—Register of Deeds office		4.00
Supplies—Stationary, envelopes, stamps, tax bills, coll. forms, and tel. calls		40.45
Head Tax—Uncollected 1952 @ 2 %		33.05
1953 @ 3%		
	\$	108.80



Tax Abatement 1952

	Head	Poll	Property	Timber	Total
R. Derepentigny	\$ 5.	\$ 2.			
L. Wooden	5.	2.			
E. Cornish	5.	2.			
P. Hendrick	5.	2.			
A. O'Neil	5.	2.			
J. Ricard	5.	2.			
N. Ricard	5.	2.			
J. Petuck	5.	2.			
M. Ford	5.	2.			
F. Ford	5.	2.			
G. Levesque		2.			
McDuffy Oil Co.			\$ 2.12		
Added to Warrant	5.	2.			

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\$55. \$24. \$ 2.12 0 \$ 81.12

Tax Abatement 1953

C. Wooden	\$ 5.	\$ 2.			
W. O'Neil		2.			
Mrs. R. Wynnott	5.	2.			
S. Currie		2.			
G. Levesque		2.			
C. Parder		2.			
G. Hill	5.	2.			
J. Petuck	5.	2.			
H. Brittell	5.	2.			
E. Brittell	5.	2.			
A. Gleason		2.			

L. Loring \$156.80

Tax Abatement 1951

25.50

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\$30. \$22. \$182.30 0 \$234.30

Property sold to town for its unpaid taxes:

	Taxes	Int.	Cost	Total
30 Acres Mark Carrol Lot	\$25.30	\$1.76	\$3.77	\$30.83
20 Acres Sprout Land	3.18	.12	3.77	7.07

## TREASURER'S REPORT

### Receipts

Balance on hand, December 31, 1952	\$ 9,414.37
Received from:	
F. P. Hayes, Collector	
1950 Property tax	35.90
1950 Interest	2.00
1951 Property tax	175.74
1951 Interest	9.05
1951 Poll tax	2.00
1951 Head tax	5.00
1951 Fines	.50
1952 Property tax	2,111.48
1952 Interest	50.27
1952 Poll tax	110.00
1952 Head tax	315.00
1952 Fines	21.50
1952 Timber tax	342.80
1952 Interest	.72
1953 Property tax	23,420.03
1953 Poll tax	348.00
1953 Head tax	1,000.00
1953 Fines	1.00
1953 Timber tax	226.07
National Bank Tax	96.00
Barbara Campbell, Town Clerk:	
Motor Vehicle Permits	\$1,824.11
Dog Licenses (47)	115.00
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	1,939.11

Town Trustees:

Loans	4,000.00
Appropriated Bancroft Fund	152.29

State Treasurer:

General Prevention of Fires	13.68
States' Share, Forest Fires	249.66
Share of Patrol, 10/25/52	28.43
Savings Bank Tax	35.16
Interest & Dividends Tax	94.69
Reimbursement a/c Tax Loss	328.79
Bounty on Porcupines	.75

Selectmen:

Use of Fire Equipment	60.00
Berry Insurance Agency, Return Premium	2.40
U. S. Naval Base Combined Charities Drive	2.00

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Total Receipts	\$44,594.39
Paid Selectmen's Orders	31,291.72
Balance on hand, December 31, 1953	<u>\$13,302.67</u>

## STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

### TAXES COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR FOR 1953

Property taxes	\$25,951.24
Poll taxes	426.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	96.00
	\$26,473.24
Property Taxes, Current year	\$23,420.03
Interest 1953	2.00
Property Taxes 1952	2,111.48
Interest 1952	50.27
Property Taxes 1951	175.74
Interest 1951	9.05
Property Taxes 1950	35.90
Poll Taxes Current Year	348.00
Poll Taxes 1952	110.00
Poll Taxes 1951	2.00
Use of Fire Truck	60.00
State Forest Land Reimbursement	
On Exemption Growing	
Wood and Timber	328.79
Interest and Dividends Savings	
Bank Tax	35.16
National Bank Stock Tax	96.00
Town Trustees Interest and Dividend Tax	94.69
U. S. Navy Base Charity	2.00
Head Tax 1953	1,000.00
Head Tax 1952	315.00
Head Tax 1951	5.00
Fines	23.00

Receipt from State Forest Fires Shares	291.77	
Bounty	.75	
Timber Tax	565.27	
Interest	4.32	
Highway Fund a/c T.R.A.	152.29	
Berry, Inc. Co.	2.40	
Trustees of Town Trust Funds	4,000.00	
Auto Permits	1,824.11	
Dog Licenses	115.00	
Cash on Hand, Jan. 1, 1953	9,414.37	
		\$44,594.39

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## STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

### TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Town Clerk, Barbara Campbell	\$	50.00
Town Treasurer, Sterling Colby		50.00
Selectman, Fred McQuesten		150.00
Selectman, George Adams		100.00
Selectman, Roland Levesque		100.00
Tax Collector, Frank P. Hayes, Jr.		125.00
Chief of Police, David A. Campbell		50.00
Auditor, Olive Campbell		12.00
Auditor, Frederick C. Goffe		12.00
Fire Chief, Robert Jerry		50.00
Trustee, David Campbell		7.00
Trustee, Wilfred Allen		7.00
Trustee, J. A. Reid, Estate		7.00
		\$ 720.00

## TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

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N. H. Assessors Association Dues	\$ 3.00
Edson C. Eastman Co., Inc. Supplies	43.22
Eloise Barlow, Typing reports	9.00
Donat Corriveau, Registrar Deeds & Mortgages	6.89
Ida M. Homer, Tax Collectors Ass'n. Dues	3.00
Wm. G. Berry, Town Officers' Bonds	111.80
Frank P. Hayes, Jr., Tax Collector—Mileage, Postage and Supplies	108.80
Frank P. Hayes, Jr., Tax Collector, Head Tax	
Charles R. Hardy, Town Clerk Ass'n. Dues	2.00
Dog Licenses 47 @ .20	9.40
Motor Vehicle Permits 271 @ .50	135.50
Barbara Campbell, Town Clerk, Postage	2.00
Fred McQuesten, Selectman, Mileage and Meetings Postage and Toll Calls	14.44
Therriault Press—Stamp	2.50
Hillsborough County	.20
Phanuef Press—Paper	.35
Ralph S. Therriault, Adding machine repairs	15.00
	\$ 467.10



## ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

John A. Reid, Estate, Ballot Clerk	\$	9.00
Erdine MacDougall, Ballot Clerk		9.00
Jean Leach, Ballot Clerk		9.00
Harriet Allen, Ballot Clerk		9.00
Doris Goffe, Supervisor of Check List		33.00
Elizabeth C. Morrill, Supervisor of Check List		33.00
Lizzie B. Leach, Supervisor of Check List		33.00
Charles B. Campbell, Moderator		9.00
Donald McQuesten, Ballots		50.40
Maxfield Press, Town Reports		190.40
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	\$	384.80

## TOWN HALL

Public Service Co., Electrical Energy	\$	21.32
Fred McQuesten, Janitor Service		4.00
Leon C. CaLawa, Jr., Plastering Hall		10.00
Harold & Maude French, Insurance		44.45
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	\$	79.77

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

David A. Campbell, Chief of Police, Mileage @ .07 per mile—Hours @ \$1.00 per Hr.	
Telephone calls	\$ 288.20
Court Cost	8.00
Fred McQuesten, Mileage @ .07—Hours @ \$1.00	20.60
Sylvester A. Reid, Mileage @ .07—Hours @ \$1.00	17.05
Robert Jerry—Switch	2.59
Donald McQuesten—Police Reports	12.00
Davis Variety Store—I doz. 44-SW	4.55
	\$ 352.99

## FIRE DEPARTMENT

Frank Hayes, Clerk	\$ 15.00
Harold & Maude French, Insurance	31.05
Robert Jerry, Gas, Repairs & Parts	31.56
Robert Jerry, Maintenance	14.99
Robert Jerry, Fire Department	30.25
Harold & Maude French, Insurance on Truck	68.75
Harold & Maude French, Additional Premium	5.04
Robert Jerry, Gas, Oil, Service	40.97
Donald Jerry, Gas, Rent, Chains	159.54
Donald MacDougal, Sec. expense—Fire Dept.	12.00
	\$ 409.15

## WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE

Harold & Maude French, Ins. \$ 118.40

### FOREST FIRE

Fred McQuesten, Warden—Training Meeting	\$ 12.85
Sylvester A. Reid Training Meeting	7.25
Robert Goddard, Training Meeting	7.25
Fred McQuesten, June 12, Griffin Land	49.20
David Campbell, June 14, Talent land	414.63
Fred McQuesten, Lower Derry Road	232.15
Fred McQuesten, 102 Road	43.00
Oscar Campbell, June 11-14-20	130.11
Fred McQuesten, Barlow Land	44.05
Fred McQuesten, Barlow Land	51.15
Fred McQuesten, Page Road	404.28
Town of Hudson, Paid Road	33.15
Sylvester A. Reid, Repair Fire Back Pump & Tools	9.54
Oscar Campbell, Page Road	15.20
	\$ 1,453.81

### RECEIVED FROM STATE

Received from State on Forest Fire	
One-half of Fire Patrol—10/25/52	\$ 28.43
40% Received on July 1, 1953	249.66
Received From State	
Use of Fire Truck	22.00
Use of Fire Truck	38.00
	\$ 338.09
Balance due Town from State on 1953 Forest Fires	\$374.49

### SNOW REMOVAL

Arnold Campbell, Plowing, Snow Truck	\$ 304.25
David Campbell, Helper	49.50
Asa Haskins, Helper	3.50
George Adams, Water Hole	9.00
Griffin & Gage, Water Hole	8.00
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	\$ 374.25

### HEAD TAX

State Treasurer, Head Tax	\$ 604.52
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### TOWN MAINTENANCE

Arnold Campbell	\$ 496.00
Town of Hudson, Cold Patch	54.00
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	\$ 550.00

### GENERAL EXPENSES OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Robert Jerry, Repairs to Snow Plow	\$ 7.15
Town of Hudson, 4 Wing Blades	64.00
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	\$ 71.15

### LIBRARY

Frederick C. Goffe, Treasurer, Library Trustees	\$ 37.50
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## TOWN POOR

Manchester Housing Project, Rent	\$	21.00
Brockelman Bros., Groceries		60.00
A & P Co., Groceries		40.00
Sylvester A. Reid, Expenses		71.74
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	\$	162.74

## COUNTY POOR

Fred McQuesten, Charities	\$	2.00
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## MEMORIAL DAY

Lizzie B. Leach	\$	50.00
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## MEMORIAL DAY REPORT

The exercises for the Memorial Day Celebration opened by throwing a wreath into the river in memory of those who lost their lives at sea by Frederick Goffe and the placing of wreaths on the plaque at the Town Hall and Library by Roland Levesque and Allison Gleason in honor of those who fought in World War I and II. An address was given by our most respected citizen, Dr. Webster Bradt. Songs were given by the School Children and Mrs. Bertha Campbell acted as Chaplain. Elizabeth Morrill gave a reading.

### Bill for Memorial Day

2 Wreaths	\$12.00
1 Sheaf	4.00
48 Geraniums	24.00
48 Flags	10.00
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	\$50.00

Respectfully submitted,  
LIZZIE B. LEACH  
Chairman

### CEMETERIES

Arnold Campbell, Mowing	\$ 22.50
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### OLD AGE

State of New Hampshire	\$ 480.59
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### SCHOOL DISTRICT

Gladys A. Locke, 1952 Appropriation	\$ 9,855.61
Gladys A. Locke, 1953 Appropriation	8,200.00
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	\$18,055.61

### TOWN DUMP

Sylvester A. Reid, Labor	\$ 16.00
Arnold Campbell, Labor	46.00
Oscar Young, Labor	20.00
Hirsch Bros., Inc.	25.00
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	\$ 107.00

### T.R.A.

State of New Hampshire Highway	\$ 152.29
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### AMBULANCE SERVICE

Police Department, Nashua	\$ 36.00
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INTEREST

Trustees of Town Trust Funds \$ 73.34

TEMPORARY LOAN

Trustees of Town Trust Fund \$ 4,000.00

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY TREASURER

County Tax \$ 2,172.89

ABATEMENTS REFUNDED

Frank P. Hayes, Jr., Tax Collector \$ 353.32

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Total number of permits issued 15  
5 for dwellings  
4 for other buildings  
6 for alterations  
There were no complaints.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD MacDOUGALL  
Building Inspector.

FRED McQUESTEN  
GEORGE L. ADAMS  
ROLAND J. LEVESQUE  
Selectmen.

Audited by:  
OLIVE CAMPBELL  
FREDERICK GOFFE

## REPORT OF HIGHWAY AGENT

### Winter Maintenance

Arnold Campbell, Plowing Snow, Truck	\$ 231.00
David Campbell, Helper	58.50
Asa Haskins, Helper	7.50
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	\$ 297.00

### Snow Fence

Arnold Campbell, Truck	\$ 25.00
Theodore Reed, Labor	3.50
William McElwin, Labor	2.00
David Campbell, Labor	9.50
Fred D. McQuestion, Labor	5.00
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	\$ 45.00

### Sanding Roads

Arnold Campbell, Truck	\$ 2.00
David Campbell, Helper	1.00
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	\$ 3.00

### Painting Snow Plow

Arnold Campbell	\$ 3.00
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### Changing Snow Plow Blades

Arnold Campbell	\$ 5.00
David Campbell	1.00
Robert Gerry	7.15
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	\$ 13.15

Total	\$ 361.15
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### Summer Maintenance

Arnold Campbell, Truck and Tractor	\$ 174.00
Fred McQuestion, Labor	56.50
William McElwin, Labor	4.00



Frederick Goffe, Labor	2.50
Fred D. McQuestion, Labor	42.00
Theodore Reed, Labor	3.00
Richard Snetsinger, Labor	2.00
Stanley Turner, Labor	7.00
Fred Mayo, Labor	29.00
David Campbell, Labor	24.00
David Campbell, Power Saw	94.50
Leon Calawa, Labor	9.00
Donald Jackson, Labor	29.00
Camille St Armond, Labor	3.00
Robert Gerry, Use of Grader	4.50

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\$ 484.00

**General Expense**

Town of Hudson, Four Wing Blades	\$ 64.00
Town of Hudson, 12 Yds. Cold Patch	54.00
Litchfield Garage, 1 Gal. Hyd. Fluid	2.25
Joseph Roark, Gravel	1.00

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\$ 121.25

**Attending Highway Meeting In Manchester**

Arnold Campbell	\$ 7.00
Fred McQuestion	5.00

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\$ 12.00

TOTAL FOR 1953 \$ 978.40

Respectfully submitted,

ARNOLD CAMPBELL

Highway Agent.

## POLICE DEPARTMENT

- 18 Accidents reported.
- 6 Arrests for speeding.
- 2 Arrests for excessive speed.
- 1 Arrest, allowing an improper person to operate.
- 1 Arrest, operating, no license.
- 34 Warnings, on speed.
- 3 Warnings, obstructing traffic, slow speed.
- 1 Operator stopped, falling asleep.
- 3 Cases, breaking and entering.
- 6 Stray dogs taken care of.
- 45 Calls and complaints.
- 6 Calls from other police departments.

The department is pleased to report another year with no traffic fatalities, although the number of accidents has increased. We thank the citizens of Litchfield, who have assisted us this past year in any way.

We of the department feel that the young people of the town are to be congratulated on their operation of motor vehicles. Also, thanks to the clubs and organizations who sponsored the Halloween party.

Sincerely,

DAVID A. CAMPBELL  
Chief of Police.

## BUILDING INSPECTORS REPORT

- Total number of permits issued 15
  - 5 for dwellings
  - 4 for other buildings
  - 6 for alterations
- There were no complaints.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD MacDOUGALL  
Building Inspector.

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TOWN TRUST FUNDS

### ALPHONSE H. POWERS CEMETERY FUND

Dec. 31, 1952 Balance Manch. Savings Bank	\$103.66
Dec. 31, 1953 Dividend	3.11
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	\$106.77
Paid out	2.00
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	\$104.77

### ZOE WHITTEMORE CEMETERY FUND

Dec. 31, 1952 Balance Manch. Savings Bank	\$115.07
Dec. 31, 1953 Dividend	3.43
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	\$118.50
Paid out	5.00
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	\$113.50

### MARY L. MARSH CEMETERY FUND

Dec. 31, 1952 Balance Manch. Savings Bank	\$108.12
Dec. 31, 1953 Dividend	3.23
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	\$111.35
Paid out	4.00
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	\$107.35

### JOHN A. CORNING & GEORGIA WATTS CEMETERY FUND

Dec. 31, 1952 Balance Manch. Savings Bank	\$104.96
Dec. 31, 1953 Dividend	3.14
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	\$108.10
Paid out	2.00
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	\$106.10

### SELAH BIXBY CEMETERY FUND

Dec. 31, 1952 Balance Manch. Savings Bank	\$1,595.26
Dec. 31, 1953 Dividend	46.29
	\$1,641.55
Paid out	85.00
	\$1,556.55

### FRANKLIN S. BANCROFT CEMETERY FUND

Dec. 31, 1952 Balance in Bank	\$201.00
Dec. 31, 1953 Dividend	6.07
	\$207.07
Paid out	1.00
	\$206.07

### CHARLES G. PARKER CEMETERY FUND

Dec. 31, 1952 Balance Manch. Savings Bank	\$125.99
Dec. 31, 1953 Dividend	3.76
	\$129.75
Paid out	3.00
	\$126.75

### JOHN KENNARD LIBRARY FUND

Dec. 31, 1952 Balance Manch. Savings Bank	\$573.39
Dec. 31, 1953 Dividend	16.75
	\$590.14
Paid out	75.00
	\$515.14

SELAH BIXBY LIBRARY FUND

Dec. 31, 1952 Balance Manch. Savings Bank	\$109.39
Dec. 31, 1953 Dividend	3.31
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	\$112.70

BANCROFT HIGHWAY FUND

Dec. 31, 1952 Balance Manch. Savings Bank	\$1,426.82
Dec. 31, 1953 Dividend	41.69
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	\$1,468.51
Paid out	152.29
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	\$1,316.22

AARON CUTLER LIBRARY FUND

Dec. 31, 1952 Balance Manch. Savings Bank	\$5,067.10
Dec. 31 1953 Interest and Dividend	857.98
Dec. 31, 1953 Received from loan to Town	3,000.00
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	\$8,925.08

Paid Out:	
Loan to Town	\$3,000.00
Library Trustees	\$1,315.00
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	\$4,315.00

Dec. 31, 1953 Balance Manch. Savings Bank	\$4,610.08
U. S. Bonds	\$3,200.00
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	\$7,810.08
Estimated Value Stocks	\$13,000.00

WILFRED ALLAN  
 DAVID CAMPBELL  
 CLIFFORD M. MacDOUGALL  
 Trustees.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

### SUPPLEMENTARY CATALOG

December 31, 1952—December 31, 1953

#### General

Abels, Early American Firearms	5864
Buhler, American Silver	5863
Churchill, Triumph and Tragedy	5828
Ford Motor Co., Ford at Fifty	5832
Gassner, Best American Plays	5850
Gassner, Best Plays of the Modern American Theatre	5849
Herzog, Annapurna	5884
Hoover, Memoirs of Herbert Hoover	5831
Hopkins, comp., Scribner Treasury	5827
Johnson, Charles Dickens, 2v	5815-6
Lewis, Dragons Apparent	5883
Magill, Masterpieces of World Literature	5829
Marshall, Man Called Peter	5813
Matthiesson, Oxford Book of American Verse	5814
Meyers, Victoria Queen and Empress	5894
Morris, ed., Great Republic, 4v	5896-9
Morris, Encyclopedia of American History	5823
New Hampshire Laws, 1953	5893
New Hampshire Manual for the General Court	5817
New Hampshire Reports, April 1951-Dec. 1952	5824
Odhams, Coronation of Queen Elizabeth II	5865
Odhams, Royal Homes	5866
Peacocke, Queen Mary	5867
Ries, American Rugs	5862
Robins, Incomplete Anglers	5881
Rosenberg and Cole ed., Best Cartoons from Punch	5830
Roth, At Penail's Point	5878
Rowe, Maritime History of Maine	5877
Ruggles, Prince of Players, Edwin Booth	5819
Shuttleworth, Exploring Nature with Your Child	5851
Snow, Mysteries and Adventures Along the Atlantic Coast	5885

Tyler, Life of William McKinley	5895
Williamson, Winchester, the Gun that Won the West	5892
Wright, ed., New Century Book of Facts	5900

### Fiction

Barker, Fire and the Hammer	5887
Bissell, 7½ Cents	5826
Brand, Border Guns	5855
Bushnell, Strange Gift	5859
Cannon, Come Home at Even	5853
Carpenter, Blossoming Year	5845
Cost, Hour Awaits	5820
Cronin, Beyond This Place	5888
Cushman, Stay Away Joe	5821
Gann, High and Mighty	5822
Gebler, Plymouth Adventure	5882
Godden, Kingfishers Catch Fire	5825
Hill, Where Two Ways Meet	5890
Innes, Angry Mountain	5874
Keyes, Joy Street	5886
Lea, Wonderful Country	5861
Lomax, Guns Along the Yellowstone	5856
Meredith, Christmas Card Murders	5854
Phillips, Second Happiest Day	5818
Rhode, Secret Meeting	5871
Sienkiewicz, Quo Vadis	5860
Stewart, Sheep Rock	5875
Traubel, Metropolitan Opera Murders	5872
Westcott, The Hepburn	5889

### Juvenile

Bailey, Picture Book of Florida	5837
Bailey, Picture Book of Massachusetts	5838
Bailey, Picture Book of Pennsylvania	5839
Caldwell, Alaska Trail Dogs	5879
Chalmers, Parade of Obash	5852
Clark, Little Navaho Bluebird	5880
Finley, Two Elsie	5833
Grove, Adventurous Allens Marooned	5834

Haines, Triple Threat	5873
Hogben, How the World Was Explored	5840
Hogben, First Great Inventions	5841
Howe, Thunder and Jerry	5848
Keene, Secret of Lone Tree Cottage	5835
Lansing, Deer Mountain Hideaway	5847
Leighton, Secret of Bucky Moran	5868
Lyon, Hilary's Island	5870
Lyon, House in Hiding	5857
Neurath, If You Could See Inside	5842
Neurath, I'll Show You How It Happens	5843
Neurath, Wonder World of Insects	5836
Sawyer, Old Con and Patrick	5858
Torjesen, Captain Ramsay's Daughter	5844
Wells, Park that Spring Forgot	5876
Whitney, Juan of Paracutin	5869
Wyndham, Silver Yankee	5846
Yates, Place for Peter	5891

### Resources

Number of Volumes at beginning of year	5793
Number of volumes discarded	10
Number added	88
Total at end of year	5871

### Services

Number of volumes loaned to adults	791
Number of volumes loaned to children	641
Magazines, pamphlets, etc., loaned	182
Total circulation	1614

### Periodicals

Better Homes and Gardens — Good Housekeeping —  
 Health — Hobbies — Life — National Geographic —  
 Nature — New Hampshire Profile — Parents — Popular  
 Science — Recreation — Readers Guide — Scholastic —  
 Time — Wilson Library Bulletin — Yankee



### Donations

Magazines: Mrs. Lewis Safford, Mrs. Wilfrid Allen, Miss Florence Center. Books: Dr. D. Webster Bradt, Mrs. Lena Walker, Miss Alice Morrill.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE C. CENTER,

Librarian.

## REPORT OF THE AARON CUTLER MEMORIAL LIBRARY TRUSTEES

### Receipts 1953

Cash on hand January 1, 1953	\$ 231.26
Town of Litchfield	37.50
Town Trustees	1,000.00
Kennard Book Fund	75.00
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	\$1,343.76

### Payments 1953

Johnson Electric Co.	\$ 29.32
Public Service Co.	73.53
M. E. Haight Salary & Supplies	231.42
F. C. Center, Librarian	300.00
New England News Books	66.31
M. Hickey Books	43.00
H. W. Wilson Co.	17.00
Fuller's Fuel Oil Service	391.62
Book of the Month Club	62.20
R. M. Baker Books	79.01
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	\$1,293.41
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1953	\$50.35

FREDERICK GOFFE,

Treasurer.

**SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT**  
**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

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

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the sixth day of March 1954, at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon, 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 determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of this district.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To see if the district will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the district, as determined by the school board in its annual report.
9. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

10. To see if the School District will vote for the use of the Australian Ballot.

Given under our hands at said Litchfield this 15th day of February 1954

LEWIS C. GOFFE

BERTHA G. CROWELL

OLIVE CAMPBELL

School Board.



## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

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To The Citizens of Litchfield:

No major changes occurred in our teaching staff this year, a fact which is always conducive to a more smoothly running school system. In April Mrs. Arthur H. Morrill was added to the staff as a speech teacher in lieu of a singing teacher because no singing teacher seemed to be available. This fall our first Annual Prize Speaking Contest was held, an event which we hope will be continued in the future.

During the summer the plaster walls and ceilings on the first floor were repainted in restful tones of peach and green, which we hope will make these rooms more pleasant for the pupils and teachers. A larger, stronger, and more serviceable bulkhead was constructed to replace the old one ripped off by Halloween vandals.

We wish to call the attention of the citizens to the results of the 1953 school census printed in this year's Town Report. Careful observation of the estimated increase of the number of pupils in the Litchfield School in the next few years will show the necessity for providing more classroom space with a year or two at the most.

We wish to express our appreciation to the Litchfield Men's Club for their kind services in running the series of whist parties for the benefit of the school. Such thoughtful consideration on the part of its citizens helps not only Litchfield's schools, but the town as a whole.

LEWIS C. GOFFE

BERTHA G. CROWELL

OLIVE CAMPBELL

School Board.

# SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1954-55

## School District of Litchfield

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1954.

### DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55
Salaries of District Officers	\$ 182.00	\$ 182.00	\$ 182.00
Superintendent's Salary (local share)	174.61	206.25	163.25
Tax for State Wide Supervisions	148.00	160.00	162.00
Salaries of other administrative personnel	93.00	118.50	162.00
Supplies and expenses of Administration	179.00	216.25	214.25
Principal's and teachers' salaries	8,000.00	8,605.00	9,090.00
Books and other instructional aids	168.00	192.00	242.00
Scholars' supplies	196.00	224.00	286.00
Supplies and other expenses of instruction	75.00	75.00	75.00
Salaries of janitors	625.00	650.00	700.00
Fuel or heat	560.00	575.00	600.00
Water, light, supplies and expenses	200.00	300.00	300.00
Repairs and replacements	150.00	350.00	100.00
Health Supervision	205.00	235.10	235.10
Transportation	2,500.00	2,700.00	2,700.00
Tuition	3,380.00	5,805.00	5,650.00
Special activities and special funds	370.00	370.00	666.00
Retirement	490.00	560.00	605.28
Insurance, treasurer's bonds and expenses	10.00	10.00	10.00
New Equipment		120.00	300.00
Total amount required to meet School Board's Budget	\$17,705.61	\$21,654.10	\$22,442.88
Estimated Income of District, State Aid		1,000.00	809.38
Assessment required to balance School Board's Budget	\$17,705.61	\$20,654.10	\$21,633.50

LEWIS C. GOFFE

BERTHA G. CROWELL

OLIVE CAMPBELL

School Board.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF DISTRICT TREASURER

School District of Litchfield

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1953

## Summary

Cash on hand June 30, 1952 (Treasurer's bank balance)		\$ 11.18
Received from Selectmen, Current Appropriation	\$17,355.61	
Received from State Treasurer	1,019.70	
	<hr/>	\$18,375.31
Total Amount for Fiscal Year (Balance and receipts)		\$18,386.49
Less School Board Orders		18,247.01
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Balance on Hand as of June 30, 1953 (Treasurer's bank balance)		\$ 139.48

GLADYS A. LOCKE,  
District Treasurer.

July 10, 1953

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

EDWIN B. HILL,  
HELEN M. PARKER,

Auditors.

July 10, 1953

**FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE  
LITCHFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT**

July 1, 1952 to June 30, 1953

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**Receipts**

Federal Aid	
National School Lunch	\$ 243.90
State Aid	
Foundation Aid	775.80
Local Taxation	
Current Appropriation	17,355.61
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Total receipts from all sources	\$18,375.31
Cash on hand (School Account and Special Accounts) at beginning of year, July 1, 1952	11.18
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Grand Total Net Receipts	\$18,386.49

**Payments**

Administration

Salaries of District Officers	\$ 182.00
Superintendent's Salary (Local Share)	174.61
Tax for State Wide Supervision	148.00
Salaries of Other Administrative Personnel	105.64
Supplies and Expenses	103.94

Instruction

Teachers' Salaries	7,509.30
Books and Other Instructional Aids	142.60
Scholars' Supplies	156.19
Supplies and Other Expenses	115.23

Operation of School Plant		
Salaries of Janitors		681.35
Fuel or Heat		589.99
Water, Light, Supplies and Expenses		414.03
Maintenance of School Plant		
Repairs and Replacements		122.97
Auxiliary Activities		
Health Supervision		186.58
Transportation		2,700.00
Tuition		
Manchester	\$ 275.00	
Nashua	271.50	
Hudson	3,305.00	
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Special Activities and Special Funds		13.30
School lunch		531.90
Fixed Charges		
Retirement		468.13
Insurance, Treas. Bonds and Expenses		10.00
Capital Outlay		
New Equipment		39.75
Total Payments for all Purposes		<hr/> \$18,247.01
Total Cash on hand at end of year (June 30, 1953)		139.48
Grand Total Net Payments		\$18,386.49



## BALANCE SHEET, JUNE 30, 1953

### Assets

Cash on hand (June 30, 1953)	\$139.48
Accounts Due to District	200.00
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Total Assets	\$339.48
Net Debt (Excess of Liabilities Over Assets)	0.00
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Grand Total	\$339.48

### Liabilities

Accounts Owed by District	
Collector of Internal Revenue	\$307.20
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Total Liabilities	\$307.20
Surplus (Excess of Assets Over Liabilities))	32.28
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Grand Total	\$339.48

### 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 my knowledge and belief. The Accounts are kept in accordance with Section 24 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Laws of New Hampshire 1942, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

LEWIS C. GOFFE  
BERTHA G. CROWELL  
OLIVE CAMPBELL

School Board.

## SCHOOL TREASURER'S REPORT

July 1, 1952 to June 30, 1953

### Receipts

Balance in bank	\$ 11.18
Lunch fund from State Treasurer	243.90
State Aid	775.80
Appropriation	\$17,355.61

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\$18,386.49

### Payments

Florence Center	\$ 1,744.60
Allison Gleason	1,998.70
Lena Walker	1,778.00
Catherine Hammond	160.00
Margaret Cronin	165.30
Colby Brothers	2,700.00
Newell B. Carney	620.00
Mary Haight	288.00
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	79.65
Public Service Co. of New Hampshire	232.38
White Cross Store	3.94
Henry J. Hastings	18.60
Philip Morris & Co.	73.16
Frank J. O'Gara Jr. Supervisory Union No. 27	107.49
Scott Foresman & Co.	107.06
Lewis Goffe	10.00
Nashua Telegraph Publishing Co.	10.95
The Union Leader Corporation	12.60
N. H. State Teachers Association	18.00
National Education Association	5.00
John McGrath	6.00
Rinehart Handwriting System	292.50
Beckley Cardy Co.	17.83
C. S. Hammond & Co.	16.45
J. L. Hammett Co.	24.87
Milton Bradley Co.	85.32
Webster Publishing Co.	1.58

George D. Park	591.34
Hammer Hardware Co.	19.85
Arnold Campbell	22.00
Silver Burdett Co.	10.48
J. L. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	170.14
Collector of Internal Revenue	716.80
N. H. Teachers Retirement System	978.16
N. H. - Vt. Hospitalization Service	100.80
Washington National Insurance	105.00
State Treasurer	354.56
H. L. Shepherd	14.00
Johnson's Electric Co.	30.44
Community Gas Co., Inc.	51.40
City of Manchester	275.00
City of Nashua	271.50
William G. Parker Co.	10.00
Maxfield Press	6.30
Audio Visual Division	6.00
Community Sales Co.	5.50
California Test Bureau	16.84
Nashua Parcel Delivery	2.00
Percey J. Callahan	6.58
Edson C. Eastman Co., Inc.	1.42
Cascade Paper Co.	1.59
Hudson School District	3,313.70
World Almanac	1.85
The Macmillan Co.	1.70
D. F. Shea Co.	14.14
Bertha Crowell	40.00
Lewis Goffe	40.00
Lizzie Shepherd	50.00
State of New Hampshire	12.72
Hazel MacDougall	4.00
Mary Haight Lunch Fund	243.90
Allison Gleason	30.00
Henry J. Hastings	8.23
Mrs. Joan Cote	4.00
Gladys A. Locke	45.19

Edwin Hill	6.00
Helen M. Parker	6.00
Jeannotte Brothers	19.90
Mrs. Morrill	60.00

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\$18,247.01

Total Receipts	\$18,386.49
Total Payments	18,247.01

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Balance on hand                   \$ 139.48

GLADYS A. LOCKE

Treasurer.

Audited and Approved, July 10, 1953

Treasurer.

EDWIN B. HILL  
HELEN M. PARKER

Auditors.

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Litchfield School Board:

I hereby submit my Fifth Annual Report on the condition of your school.

In thinking back over the past five years the thing that seems to predominate is the rapid growth in the number of school age children. In 1949 there were 68 children in grades 1-8. As of February 1, 1954 there were 70 pupils in the public school and about 20 youngsters attending private schools in Manchester. Next year will witness the first large influx of first graders with 22 pupils expected. A glance at the census report seems to show that there may be at least 104 pupils in your schools by 1960.

Rapid growth such as this presents many problems to any school district. First and foremost in our minds are the questions concerned with housing these new pupils. Should we provide new rooms for them or should we contract with some neighboring school district to provide the education for our seventh and eighth graders? If we feel that we can best care for them in Litchfield, just what type of an addition is best for our needs and what facilities, other than bare rooms can we afford?

While these questions are going through our minds, something is also happening to our school itself. It is gradually growing away from the intimate little school of two rooms that we once knew into a village type school of several rooms. It becomes more impersonal and we find that somehow or other it takes us longer, as parents and friends of the school to really know what is happening educationally to the pupils and to feel a part of the school. We find it much more difficult to get a true picture of actual conditions with many half completed stories circulating through a district afflicted with "growing pains".

Teachers also find new and different problems in a growing school. They find it very difficult to maintain that close relation with the home that is so characteristic of a smaller school. As the number of pupils increases the classrooms reach and exceed their capacity, causing an overcrowding condition which in turn taxes the emotional reactions of each child. Toilet facilities and noon lunch facilities also become inadequate. The tendency for more "horse play" and jostling becomes very apparent. Sensitive youngsters begin to feel the strain and even though the conscientious teacher is working harder than ever there is often discontent on the part of the parent and the teacher with the results that are being achieved.

As additional teachers are added to the staff it becomes necessary for parents and teachers alike to become adjusted to these new personalities, and the differences that exist between teachers as individuals becomes more apparent. It becomes necessary to realize that we can't expect our new staff members to act like the few we once had.

An answer to all of these problems and many more must be found in the very near future. Wholehearted cooperation among the parents, the administration and the teachers will be necessary if a happy solution is to be found. I feel very confident that these answers will be found and that the end result will be an educational pattern that will best provide for the needs of the Litchfield children. I have been very pleased with the attitude and the cooperative spirit of the parents and the School Board. It has helped us in our work of providing adequate educational opportunities for your children.

Respectfully submitted,

**HENRY J. HASTINGS**

Superintendent of Schools

## RETURN OF DISTRICT REVENUE

School District of Litchfield

### Expenditures

Item		
Current Expenditures	\$21,534.10	
Capital Outlay		
New Equipment	120.00	
Appropriations Voted at Special District Meeting	200.00	
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Total Appropriation		\$21,854.10

### Receipts

State Aid, December 1953 (Allotment Estimate)	\$ 809.38	
Assessment Required to Meet School District Appropriation	21,044.72	
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Total Appropriation		\$21,854.10

### Certificates

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the obligations authorized, and the amounts to be assessed to meet statutory requirements and appropriations made at the annual meeting of the Litchfield School District held March 14, 1953.

July 6, 1953

LEWIS C. GOFFE

Clerk of the School District

To the State Board of Education:

I certify that the above is a correct statement of the financial proceedings of the district for the school year 1953-54, and that copies of this statement have been filed with the chairman of the board of selectmen and entered in the records of the school board in accordance with N. H. Laws of 1951, Chapter 37, Section 2.

July 6, 1953

LEWIS C. GOFFE

Chairman of the School Board

## TEACHERS UNDER APPOINTMENT

Teachers	Contract Salary	Salary less Deductions
Florence Center	\$2,500.00	\$1,812.40
Allison Gleason	2,800.00	2,291.55
Catherine Hammond	160.00	160.00
Elizabeth Morrill	300.00	300.00
Lena Walker	2,400.00	1,865.60

## ENUMERATION OF CHILDREN UNDER 18, September 1, 1953

Grade	Litchfield School	Other Schools	Total	Grand Total in Litchfield School
12		3	3	
11		7	7	
10		5	5	
9		6	6	
8	4	4	8	
7	7	2	9	
6	7	3	10	
5	10	2	12	
4	11	3	14	
3	5	2	7	
2	12	4	16	
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1953-54	14	2	16	70
1954-55	22	6	28	88
1955-56	13	3	16	94
1956-57	14	2	16	101
1957-58	11	1	12	102
1958-59	12	1	13	103
1959-60	11		11	104
Others			7	
Grand Total			216	

There are two children over 18 who are attending high school.



## REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools and the School Board of  
Litchfield:

Health Report for school year from September 1952  
to June 1953.

Total number pupils examined—63.

Defects Found	Number Affected	Corrected
Defective Vision	1	1
Speech	2	2*
Teeth	44	34

Contagious diseases — Measles 4, Whooping Cough 5,  
Mumps 10.

T. B. Patch Test — March 3, 1953 — 17 pupils tested, no  
positive reactors.

Registration Day for pre-school children was held May 8,  
1953. Nine children were examined.

\* under treatment.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGERET E. CRONIN, R. N.

School Nurse

## LITCHFIELD CHILD HEALTH IMMUNIZATION CLINIC—1953

The Bureau of Public Health Nursing of the N. H. State Department of Health held a series of three clinics in Litchfield for the immunization against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus and Smallpox—and a health examination.

The clinics were serviced by Dr. Robert Olson and Dr. Edward Thorpe, assisted by: Clare Hamilton, R.N., Corinne Hallisey, R. N., Marie Fahey, R. N., and the Health Committee of: Mrs. Erdine MacDougall, Chairman; Mrs. Mary McElwain, Miss Judy MacDougall, Mrs. Doris Goff, Mrs. Allen.

Nine were present at the first two clinics, Feb. 24 and March 24, 1953.

8 Pre-schools received 1st and 2nd doses tri urinol

1 Infant received 1st and 2nd doses tri urinol

7 Pre-schools were vaccinated to avert Smallpox

May 7, 1953. The 3rd and last clinic there were 22 children present to be examined—

8 Pre-schools received 3rd and last dose tri urinol

1 Infant received 3rd and last dose tri urinol

10 Pre-school were vaccinated against Smallpox

10 Pre-schools received a Booster dose of tri urinol

Respectfully submitted,

MARIE H. FAHEY, R. N.

State Nurse

## VITAL STATISTICS



### MARRIAGES

Lewis Buchanan of Litchfield and Helen De Montigny of Nashua, were married in Nashua, Feb. 14, 1953.

Arthur Leach of Litchfield and Marjorie Hapwood of Nashua, were married in Litchfield March 21, 1953.

Richard Dickinson of Merrimack and Alice Morrill of Litchfield were married in Litchfield July 25, 1953.

Mark J. Miller of Litchfield and Callie Rivers of Nashua were married in Litchfield, Aug. 22, 1953.

Edmund Hall of Boston, Mass. and Augusta Peabody of Litchfield were married in Hudson, Oct. 14, 1953.

Arthur Lynch of Pelham and Greta Locke of Litchfield were married in Pelham, N. H., Dec. 30, 1953.

## DEATHS

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Arthur D. Leach died in Nashua, May 8, 1953, age 80 years.

Olivene Marson died in Nashua, June 1, 1953, age 89 years.

Carl P. Griffin died in Nashua, June 12, 1953, age 77 years.

Sharon L. Lamper died in Litchfield, Sept. 2, 1953, age 1 month 11 days.

John A. Reid died in Manchester, Sept. 6, 1953, age 79 years.

Henry Arnold Crowell died in Cleveland, Ohio, June 24, 1953, age 66 years.

## BIRTHS

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Cheryle Ann born in Nashua, Feb. 5, to Mr. and Mrs. George Rodgers.

Jane Melendy born in Nashua, March 31, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Parker.

Jay Alan born in Nashua, April 5, to Mr. and Mrs. Jay Hale.

Michael Elmer born in Nashua, May 6, to Mr. and Mrs. Ovilla Jackson.

Mary Elizabeth born in Nashua, June 17, to Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Leary.

James Clinton born in Nashua, July 21, to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Leach.

Kathleen Mary born in Manchester Aug. 10, to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley W. Ziarko.

Ethel Louise born in Nashua, Aug. 16, to Mr. and Mrs. Camille St. Armand.

Jerry Mike born in Nashua, Nov. 7, to Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Williams.

Marian Jean born in Nashua, Dec. 8, to Mr. and Mrs. Roland Levesque.

Archie Sherburne born in Nashua, Dec. 21, to Mr. and Mrs. Allison Gleason.





