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On June 23, Concord was honored by a visit from Dwight D. Eisenhower, President of the United States. He is shown here as he addressed the General Court and the public assembled on the State House Lawn.

## **Annual Report**

for the Year Ending December 31, 1955



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### YOUR CITY OFFICIALS - 1955

### CITY COUNCIL

Howe Anderson, Mayor Herbert W. Rainie, Mayor Pro-tem

	Councilmen-at-Large		
nderson	Wayne K. Gardner	Herbert	W. Rainie
C. Davie	Wendell F. Grant	William	A. Stevens

#### Ward Councilmen Conrad W. Robinson Ward 5 Ward 1 James P. Ferrin Harlan F. Johnson Ward 2 James Ross Ward 6 Ward 3 Ward 7 Wm. H. Hunneyman William P. Gove John C. White Ward 4 Edwin R. Langevin Ward 8 Thomas B. Jennings Ward 9

### CITY ADMINISTRATION

Office of the City Manager Woodbury Brackett, City Manager
Airport DepartmentWoodbury Brackett, City Manager
Assessing DepartmentC. Fred Moulton, Assessor
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A. Harold MacNeil, Assessor

Shelby O. Walker, Assessor City Hall Department------ Arthur E. Roby, City Clerk Civil Defense Department -- Laurence Riis, Sr., Civil Defense Dir. Engineering Department-Howard Raymond, (Acting) City Engineer Ellsworth B. Philbrick, Engineering Inspector

J. Shepard Norris, Sealer of Weights & Measures

Finance Department----- Archie N. Gourley, City Auditor Amos B. Morrison, City Collector

Wallace W. Jones, City Treasurer Fire Department------Clarence H. Green, Fire Chief

Henry E. Drew, 1st Deputy Fire Chief Duncan M. Murdoch, 1st Deputy Fire Chief Arthur R. Lee, 2nd Deputy Fire Chief

Health Department ---- Pierre A. Boucher, M. D., City Physician Austin B. Presby, Sanitary Inspector

Legal Department----- Atlee F. Zellers, City Solicitor Library Department-----Siri M. Andrews, Librarian Personnel Department------Woodbury Brackett, City Manager Planning Department --- Gustaf H. Lehtinen, Planning Director Police Department ------Arthur W. McIsaac, Police Chief J. Edward Silva, Deputy Police Chief

Public Works Department ---- Woodbury Brackett, City Manager Edward L. Howland, Cemetery Supt.

William H. Murphy, Sewer Supt. Purchasing Department-----Woodbury Brackett, City Manager Records Department------Arthur E. Roby, City Clerk Recreation & Parks Department -- Donald F. Sinn, Recreation Dir. Water Department ------G. Arthur Faneuf, Water Supt. Welfare Department ------Gertrude E. Watkins, Welfare Dir.

Charles P. Coakley, Overseer of Poor, Ward I

### MUNICIPAL COURT

Judiciary----- Donald G. Matson, Judge
Francis E. Perkins, Special Judge
C. Murray Sawyer, Clerk of Court & Probation Officer

### MUNICIPAL BOARDS

### Board of Building Appeals

Eugene F. Magenau, Ch. Carroll Garland William Johns Arnold Perreton Donald Wells

### Board of Health

Pierre A. Boucher, M. D., Ch. Homer E. Lawrence, M. D. William D. Penhale, M. D.

### Library Board of Trustees

Mrs. Eugene F. Magenau, Ch. Joseph J. Comi
Otis Kingsbury
Chester G. Larson
Mayland H. Morse, Jr.
Mrs. Paul Shaw
Willis D. Thompson, Jr.
Mrs. Frederic K. Upton
Timothy Woodman

### Recreation Advisory Council

Robert O. Blood, M.D., Ch.
Russell B. Tobey, Vice-Ch.
Roland E. Allen
Pierre A. Boucher, M.D.
Mrs. Lewellyn Boutwell
Edson F. Eastman
Clarence E. Huggins
Mrs. Harlan F. Johnson
Mrs. Winslow E. Melvin
Mrs. Maurice W. Mullen
Peter J. Murphy
Samuel S. Richmond
Walter B. Sweet
Sulo J. Tani
Mrs. Alfred W. Tovey

### City Planning Board

Dudley W. Orr, Ch. Woodbury Brackett Edward H. Brooks Gardner G. Emmons Douglas Everett Warren H. Greene A. Clifford Hudson John B. Jameson

### Board of Plumbing Examiners

Robert F. Keane, Sr., Ch. Ellsworth B. Philbrick George E. Young

### Trustees of Trust Funds

Robert M. Beyer Wallace W. Jones Leon Merrill

### Zoning Board of Adjustment

Lawrence J. Moynihan, Ch. Frederick Hall
Raymond V. Lapointe
Donald G. Matson
Frank J. Preston

### Board of Revision of Assessments

Archie N. Gourley, Ch. Howard E. Raymond Allan N. Leavitt Laurence J. Riis, Sr. Atlee F. Zellers

### Personnel Advisory Board

Herbert E. Kimball, Ch. William H. Macurda John H. Symonds



### CITY OF CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Citizens of Concord:

This report attempts to summarize in a human interest way the highlights of the 1955 municipal year.

Probably at no time in the one hundred and two years since Concord became a city have signs of progress been more evident. Years of planning, insistence on maximum local control of an efficient city government and recent concerted citizen effort toward industrial and general business growth is bringing recognition to Concord as a city of prosperity and opportunity.

The accomplishments of our city departments, in their day to day and round the clock jobs of making our community a safe, clean and healthful place to live, are made possible by a cooperative City Council and an alert citizenry.

The future holds great promise and also great responsibility -- I believe we can meet the challenge.

Sincerely,

Woodbury Brackett City Manager

### CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS - 1955

Your City Council meets in the Council Chamber at the ity Hall on the second Monday of each month and at such other times as it may be called by the City Manager or a majority of its 15 members. These meetings are open to the public.

During 1955, the Council held 12 regular meetings, five special meetings and 14 hearings. The Finance Committee, consisting of the entire Council, held five meetings to consider the budget. A total of 59 resolutions and 20 ordinances were adopted.

- Jan. 10 Authorized City Manager to negotiate for sale of city owned land on Airport Road for airport-related industrial uses.
- Jan. 24 Adopted record budget of \$1,494,006.
- Feb. 7 Held joint meeting with Board of Education on plans for new junior high school. (First joint meeting ever held.)
- Feb. 14 Authorized Manager to hire engineers to survey Long Pond and all other phases of the city water system. Voted to abandon present open dump and undertake sanitary fill operations.

  Authorized Manager to sell land on Sheep Davis Road for industrial development.

  Adopted resolution deeding West Garden back to heirs. Authorized Manager to sign agreement with Concord Electric Company covering street lighting for next ten years at a cost of approximately \$56,500. per year. Went on record favoring proposed State legislation for greater flood protection in the Merrimack Valley.
- Mar. 14 Rezoned Heights area for commerical use to permit industrial development on land transferred for this purpose. (Meeting held at Penacook.)
- Apr. 11 Preliminary approval given sanitary sewer construction on East and West Sides under special assessment procedure.

  Voted to extend and connect Freight Street and Pleasant Street Extension.
- May 9 Authorized \$1,600,000. bond issue for use of Concord Union School District for school construction purposes.

  Authorized Manager to obtain option to purchase Parker School lot when no longer required for school use.

  Authorized sale of 50 acres of land near Pembroke and Canterbury Roads for industrial development.
- June 13 Approved extension of East Side sanitary sewer system.
  Approved Black Hill water main extension.
  Passed ordinance enlarging local business zone, on South Street in the vicinity of Avon Street, reversing previous position.

- July 11 Approved extension of water system in Christian Avenue and authorized \$80,000. bond sale for construction.
- Aug. 8 Approved construction of West Side sanitary sewer and bond sale of \$100,000. to finance same.
- Sept. 12 Passed ordinance regulating building within bounds of mapped streets.

  Requested Manager to negotiate with State for improvement of North State Street with aid of State and Federal funds.

Passed ordinance permitting referendum on Sunday bowling at November election.

- Oct. 10 Authorized purchase of Enright land for future sewage disposal plant for \$25,000.

  Unanimously approved \$40,000. bond issue to finance construction of hanger at airport.

  Approved motion indicating willingness to convey a portion of Memorial Field, at all nominal fee! for construction of a new YMCA building within five years.
- Nov. 14 Authorized Manager to renew lease with Northeast Airlines, Inc., for facilities at airport, at \$200. a month. Authorized review of compensation plan.

  Authorized sale of 18 acres of land between Lawrence Street and Heights Road to Defense Department as site of new Army Reserve Training Center.
- Nov. 29 Received 1956 Budget.
- Dec. 12 Passed resolution commending Deputy Silva on his long and faithful service to the City.

  Restored name"Old Loudon Road"to section of Branch Turnpike and Portsmouth Street.

  Authorized negotiation with County for exchange of land for widening Court Street and additional parking in Doyen Park.



### **GENERAL GOVERNMENT**



City Clerk Arthur E. Roby completed 35 years of service to the City on January 27, 1955.

### RECORDS DEPARTMENT

CITY CLERK REQUIRED TO CERTIFY APPLICATIONS FOR KOREAN WAR BONUS

A statute passed by the New Hampshire State Legislature required all city and town clerks to certify as to the residence of all applicants for the Korean War bonus. The City Clerk handled a total of 527 applications for Concord veterans between September 1 and December 31, 1955.

### MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 1955

A total vote of 4,252 was recorded at the semi-annual municipal election, one of the lowest number of votes castat a city election in many years.

Councilmen elected At-Large for a term of four years were: Herbert W. Rainie, Conrad W. Robinson and William A. Stevens. Councilmen elected from the several wards were: James P. Ferrin, Ward 1; Paul M. Cunningham, Ward 2; William H. Hunneyman, Ward 3; Malcolm McLane, Ward 4; Leroy W. Davis, Ward 5; Clarence L. Clark, Ward 6; William P. Gove, Ward 7; Paul E. Madden, Ward 8; Thomas B. Jennings, Ward 9.

An ordinance passed by the Council permitting Sunday afternoon bowling in Concord was submitted to the voters in a special referendum at this election. An affirmative vote was received.

CLERK MAY NOW LEAVE NOTICES AT HOMES OF COUNCILMEN
The City Clerk, acting as Clerk of the City Council, must
prepare and deliver notices advising members of the Council of all
meetings and hearings. Formerly these notices were required by
law to be delivered to each Councilman in person. An act of the
Legislature passed in 1955 made it legal for the Clerk to leave
these notices at the homes of Councilmen.

### DEMAND FOR VITAL STATISTIC RECORDS CONTINUED HIGH

The City Clerk acts as custodian of all important documents and vital records effecting the city and its residents. Birth, death and marriage records are kept here and certified copies of these are furnished to the public at a norminal fee.

Vital statistics recorded during 1955, compared with 1954 were as follows:

	1955	1954
Births	892	916
Marriages	302	327
Deaths	691	615

### ASSESSING DEPARTMENT

This department is responsible for the appraisal of all taxable property. It issues warrants for the collection of taxes; prepares tax rolls for poll, head, real and personal property, bank stock and yield taxes; assists with special assessment procedure and maintains all records pertaining to taxes and taxable property.

It is headed by a Board of Assessors, composed of one full-time and two part-time members, directly responsible to the

citizens of Concord.

### 1955 TAX WARRANTS SUBMITTED

Country, poll and bank stock tax warrants submitted to the Tax Collector totaled \$2,534,093.19. The tax rate, based on \$1,000. of assessed valuation was set at \$51.40 in Concordand \$56.48 in Penacook.

The assessed valuation of property in Concord for 1955 was \$48,278,291., an increase of \$483,069. over 1954. (See chart

on opposite page.)

Poll and head tax warrants amounted to \$100, 124., an increase of \$3,699. over 1954. For the first time an attempt was made to trace over 1,400 missing poll tax payers. Inquiry cards with postal return card forms attached were mailed to the last known addresses with good results obtained.

### ASSESSORS HELD 67 MEETINGS TO HEAR TAX APPEALS

So that they may hear all citizens desiring to appeal their tax assessments, the Board of Assessors holds frequent meetings for this purpose. During 1955, 87 appeals were heard

and resolved; 48 dealt with real estate assessments, 29 with stock-in-trade, six with machinery and four with trailers.

### CITY ASSESSOR ELECTED TO STATE ASSOCIATION OFFICE

At the 45th annual meeting of the Association of New Hampshire Assessors, Fred Moulton, full-time City Assessor, was elected First Vice-President of the Association. The year 1955 als o marked Mr. Moulton's 30th year as an employee of the City of Concord.

NEW ASSESSOR APPOINTED
Shelby O. Walker was
appointed to the Board of Assessors on December 1, to succeed Sydney Dach, who resigned
after more than five years of
service to the city.



City Assessor and City Auditor prepare to release 1955 tax rate.

### TOTAL ASSESSED VALUATION IN CONCORD 1945-1955

Year	Year
1945\$32, 963, 846	1951\$47,013,784
1946 33,622,496	1952 47, 490, 362
1947 36, 457, 539	1953 47, 828, 712
1948 37, 330, 320	1954 47, 795, 222
1949 38, 765, 980	1955 48, 278, 291
1950 38, 782, 440	1755 40, 270, 271

### FINANCE DEPARTMENT

The Finance Department is responsible for accounting, budget control, auditing receipts and expenditures, debt arrangement, financial reporting, collection, custody and disbursement of all funds, and operation of office supply and duplicating services.

### AUTO PERMIT FEES CONTINUE TO RISE

A total of 12,715 auto permits were issued during 1955, yielding \$121,072., an increase of almost 14% over the previous year.

### TAX COLLECTIONS IMPROVE

The year ended with 90% of the 1955 property tax levy and 74% of the poll tax levy collected. The balance outstanding on account of property and poll taxes of prior years was reduced to \$2,897. This compares with a balance of \$9,804, at the end of the previous year. State head taxes outstanding decreased slightly, from \$21,218. to \$20,465.

### COLLECTOR'S SALE DATE ADVANCED

The Collector's tax sale has been moved ahead by easy steps during the past five years, from late September to the middle of May. This change has increased collections during the early months of the year and enabled holding temporary borrowings at the same level as formerly despite increased budgets.

### NEW SCHOOL BONDS INCREASE DEBT

A total of \$1,780,000. in general obligation bonds were issued during the year, at the very favorable rate of 2,10%. The greater portion, or \$1,600,000. was for construction and equipment of schools; while \$100,000. was borrowed for sanitary sewer construction, and \$80,000. for extension of water mains. A sizeable portion (See page 55) of the sewer and water bonds will be retired from special assessments against benefitted property. The new debt, less payments made during the year resulted in a net increase of \$1,591,000. Details of the change appear in the table

DCIOW.	Balance at	Payments	New Debt	Balance at
Purpose	End of 1954	During 1955	Issued 1955	End of 1955
Municipal	\$ 846,000.	\$ 115,000.	\$ None	\$ 731,000.
School	439,000.	44,000.	1,600,000.	1,995,000.
Water	150,000.	10,000.	80,000.	220,000.
Parking Areas	180,000.	20,000.	None	160,000.
San. Sewers	None	None	100,000.	100,000.
	\$1,615,000.	\$ 189,000.	\$1,780,000.	\$3,206,000.

### INTEREST RATES HIGHER

Interestrates on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes

collections were consistently higher than in previous years, ranging from 1,03% to 1.60%, compared to a low of .47% and a high of .78% in 1954.

### TRUST FUND YIELD INCREASE

The principal amount in the hands of City Trustees for cemetery, library and other miscellaneous beneficiaries increased from \$555, 977. in 1950 to \$613,903. in 1955. The annual income from investments during the same period increased from \$14,057. to \$20,720., brought about largely by increased yield on investments from 2.5% in 1950 to 3.4% in 1955.

In addition to the funds in the hands of City Trustees, income distributions from outside trustees increased from \$12,260. in 1950 to \$14,745. in 1955. The outside trusts are administered by the Mechanicks National Bank under the wills of Benjamin and Henry Kimball and by Dudley Orr & Frank Sulloway as trustees under the will of William Thayer, for benefit of the public library.

### SMALL BUT WORTHWHILE SAVINGS

A total of \$2,504. was realized through taking cash discounts on accounts payable. Careful forecasting of cash balances enabled the investment of temporarily idle funds yielding interest income of \$838. Savings made through quantity purchases of office supplies amounted to approximately \$300. By printing many forms, letterheads, etc. in the city's own shop and securing bids on the remainder, savings of approximately \$3,200. were realized.

### LEGAL DEPARTMENT

The City Solicitor safeguards the City's interests in legal matters. He is available for legal opinions, advice and research to all department heads, special boards and members of the City Council. He represents the City in all court actions and attends all Council meetings and hearings.

\$4,535.35 IN TAXES COLLECTED THROUGH LEGAL EFFORTS

The Solicitor performs a valuable service in collecting delinquent taxes of all kinds, through court action and contact with persons involved. His efforts were aided by an act of the 1955 Legislature removing restrictions on the number of cases which can be entered in Small Claims Court during a given period.

He filed five claims in bankruptcy for recovery of taxes. His office conducted 203 title searches in connection with property tax sales for delinquent taxes.

### PREPARED MANY LEGAL DOCUMENTS DURING THE YEAR

The Solicitor's office prepared 25 deeds, leases and agreements for the City, and drew up nine ordinances and resolutions.

### REPRESENTED CITY IN 13 COURT ACTIONS

The Solicitor represented the City in eight appearances in Superior Court and five in Municipal Court. These cases included zoning appeals, claims for damage by dogs, a claim of illegal tax sale, trustee of wages of city employees and violations of the Plumbing Code, parking and zoning laws. This illustrates, in part, the variety of legal matters handled by the City Solicitor.

### ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

The Engineering Department works closely with the Public Works and Planning Departments to improve city services and facilities and provide new ones. It is headed by the City Engineer, assisted by a staff who perform survey and design work for public works projects, issue building permits and administer local building and zoning laws, keep city maps up-to-date and furnish the public with needed information on street lines, sewer locations, etc.

### LONG POND ROAD T.R.A. MAJOR 1955 DESIGN PROJECT

The department handled the survey, design, layout, right-of-way, acquisition and supervision of construction of one and two-tenths miles of highway, known as Long Pond or Crowley Road.

Smaller projects designed by the Engineering Department were Blake Street reconstruction; Pleasant View Avenue street, sewer and water construction; Auburn Street, Columbus Avenue and Johnson Avenue sewer construction; traffic islands at the intersection of Auburn and Center Streets; the Ford Avenue parking lot and construction of Winant Street and Johnson Avenue.

### 66 STREETS RENUMBERED

As requested by the Post Office Department, to facilitate mounted carrier mail delivery in the Concord Heights area, 66 streets were completely renumbered. The department worked with the Planning Department in reviewing street names in that area.

### SURVEY AND SUPERVISORY WORK DONE

Surveys were made, plans drawn and descriptions written of lands sold by the city on Sheep Davis and Airport Roads and land taken for cemetery expansion. Surveys were also made and plans prepared for a sewer extension in the Heights Road area, for the proposed extension of Bow Street through Neville Street and for a future sewer main from the South Street area south of Mooreland Avenue easterly to the Merrimack River.

Relaying of a collector sewer was necessitated by construction of the F. E. Everett Highway through the Water Street area. City supervision of this work, done by the State highway contractor, was provided, with the assistance of a temporary engineer.

### 1955 A RECORD YEAR FOR BUILDING CONSTRUCTION

The Engineering Department must approve plans and specifications for all proposed new construction and alterations before work can be started. Although fewer permits were issued for new construction, 126 compared with 160 last year, this year's total of 317 permits was 43 more than the 1954 total. Broken down as to types of construction, the following building permits were issued:

	Number	Valuation
New Construction: Single House	s 113	\$1,054,125.
	ns 7	118,500.
Stores	2	5,700.
Institutions	l	149,000.
Churches	2	265,000.
Industrial	l	5,000.
Alterations & Additions	109	531,410.
Miscellaneous	82	183,400.
Total	317	\$2,335,305.

### PLANNING DEPARTMENT

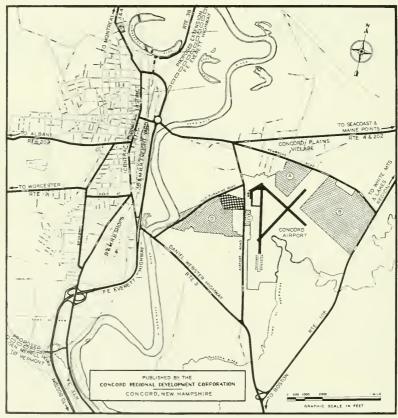
The Planning Board seeks to guide the development of a more progressive and better ordered community. Its office staff is headed by a full-time Planning Director, who studies present and future civic problems and reports his findings to the Board, which submits its recommendations to the City Council.

### CONCORD LAKE PROJECT REVIVED IN 1955

A bill authorizing construction of Concord Lake was introduced at the 1955 session of the State Legislature. The Planning Board has favored construction of this potential recreation facility since 1945. The Director devoted much time to explaining the project to various civic and legislative bodies. A special Legislative commission was created to further investigate the project.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT AIDS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

The Planning Department supervised transfer of city
owned airport land for industrial development, prepared preliminary plans for two industrial parks, advised rezoning of the air-



- A. 70 Acres-Zoned for Industry-City utilities adjacent to site.
- B. 450 Acres-Zoned for Industry & Commerce-City utilities adjacent.
- C. 6.5 Acres-Zoned for Industry-City utilities adjacent to site.
- D. 90 Acres-Zoned for Industry-City utilities adjacent to site.

port area for commerical use and closely cooperated with the Concord Regional Development Corporation in its efforts to bring new industry to Concord. The map on the preceding page is the result of a combined effort of these two agencies.

### WATER AND SEWER PROJECTS STUDIED

Three petitions for water extensions, totalling 1,900 feet, and community sanitary sewer needs, including selection of a site for a future sewage disposal plant, were studied by the Board.

ANNUAL SURVEY SHOWED 7,560 FEET OF FRONTAGE OCCU-PIED DURING YEAR ENDING JUNE, 1955

Construction on streets with full city services nearly doubled the 1954 total of 4,380 feet. This definitely reflects the current accelerated trend in building construction. The annual housing survey showed 216 vacant dwelling units, 26 more than in 1954. Sixty new dwelling units were completed during 1955.

Final plats for new portions of two existing subdivisions were approved, subject to payment of the total cost of all required municipal facilities by the subdivider.

### FIRST COMPLETE REVIEW OF TRAFFIC LAWS SINCE 1951

In cooperation with the Police Department, the Board studied the need for changes in Concord's traffic regulations, with special emphasis on downtown traffic and parking problems, and recommended several major changes to the Council.

Investigations and recommendations were made on such subjects as banning through trucking on Broadway and South Fruit Street, advising postponement of action; relocation of the Freight Street taxicab stand to Storrs Street which was favored, and a request to allow all day parking in a section of the Freight Street lot which was opposed.

MUCH ACTION BY PLANNING BOARD CONCERNING STREETS

During 1955 the Board processed five petitions for extensions of the city's residential street system, recommending four and rejecting one. Three street widenings, one relocation and four petitions for discontinuance of streets were considered and approved. It forwarded 18 recommendations relating to street names to the Council, half of which were prompted by a request of the post office for review of streets in the Concord Heights area.

A proposed ordinance, based on state statutes, regulating the placing of buildings within the bed of mapped streets, was framed, transmitted to the Council and approved.

A plan was prepared showing the mapped lines of a future street connecting Bow and Neville Streets and land southerly thereof, and acquisition of land for this purpose was recommended. Layouts of Industrial Park Drive on Concord Plains and of Storrs Street in Railroad Square were approved.

New residential streets added to the city's directory of street names during 1955 were Springfield and Meadow Streets in the South End, Tow Path Lane in East Concord and Eastern Avenue on Concord Plains. The recently purchased way between Pleasant Street Extension and Freight Street was named Storrs Street for the late Mayor John Storrs. Access roads off Hall Street were named Basin and Nashua Streets and another renamed Osgood Street.

### PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY

### CIVIL DEFENSE

### ACTIVITIES EXPANDED DURING 1955

Under Civil Defense Director, Laurence J. Riis, Sr., Concord's Civil Defense organization increased its activities. Warden service was greatly expanded, and in Penacook a rescue squard, under the Engineering & Rescue Unit, was organized and functions for all local disasters. Hours of coverage at the ground observer post were also increased through the efforts of Ground Observer Corps Unit leaders.

Other officers in the Civil Defense organization are: Deputy Director ------ Henry C. Newell Deputy Director for Women's Affairs ----- Mrs. Lucie Weston Ground Observer Corps ----- Maurice E. Farley, Supv. Chief Observer ----- Mrs. Maurice E. Farley Warning & Communications Unit ----- Paul A. Carlson Refugee Unit ----- Stanley F. Little Fire Fighting Unit ----- Fire Chief, C. H. Green Police Unit ----- Police Chief, A. W. McIsaac Police Capt., Daniel C. Abbott Warden Services Unit ----- Edwin DeAngelis Engineering & Rescue Unit ----- Howard E. Raymond Transportation Unit ---- Nile E. Faust & Chas. W. Fletcher Health & Sanitation Unit ----- Dr. Thomas M. Dudley Norman Brown Medical Nursing & First Aid Unit ----- Dr. Robert O. Blood Mildred Taylor Official Photographer ----- Robert Swenson Public Information Officer ----- Ralph H. Morse

### CONCORD CD PARTICIPATES IN TEST ALERTS

Concord's Civil Defense organization participated successfully in a nation-wide test alert on June 15, and in two statewide test alerts. Civil Defense headquarters was also activated on a 24 hour basis for two hurricane alerts.

#### SIREN INSTALLED IN SOUTH END

A large siren was installed at Rollins Park on Broadway at a cost of \$3,850., one-half of which was assumed by the Federal government. This completes warning coverage of the South End section not reached by the whistle at the Central Fire Station.

### CLOSE COOPERATION WITH RED CROSS ASSURED

Stanley F. Little, Chief of the Refugee Unit, was appointed Disaster Chairman of the local Red Cross to assure the closest cooperation between these two emergency agencies.

### VOLUNTEERS BADLY NEEDED

Unit leaders and the director held many meetings, and spoke to various civic groups in an attempt to recruit volunteers. Any citizens interested in contributing their services for any type of Civil Defense activity should not hesitate to contact any of the unit leaders listed above.



### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Concord's Fire Department ranks among the best in equipment, training and fire loss average. It operates from one central and three outlying fire stations with 16 pieces of motorized fire fighting equipment.

### HIGHEST FIRE LOSS SINCE 1948

Property valued at \$425,425. was involved in fire causing a total property loss of \$123,393.46. This is almost double Concord's very low fire loss figure of \$63,236.48 in 1954. The increase was largely due to the serious fire at the Concord Hardware & Supply Company on June 4, causing \$81,526.39 damage.

Of the total loss, \$117,143.46 was compensated for by insurance coverage, making a net loss of \$6,250., or only about 5% of the total property consumed by fire a complete loss.

### 19 MORE CALLS RESPONDED TO IN 1955

The Fire Department responded to 624 calls during 1955, compared with 605 in 1954. Of the 624 calls received 76 were box alarms and 548 were still alarms. Classification shows the following types of fires occurred in Concord during 1955:

Tollowing types of files bed	Julica	m Concord during 1755.
Residential	200	Mercantile
Grass & Brush	130	Out of Town Alarms
First Aid & Emergencies-	89	Manufacturing
Smoke Scares	72	Non-residential
Auto Fires	68	Storage
False & Malicious Alarms	17	Total 6

Chief Green and Fireman George Livingston are shown here on the occasion of the latter's retirement August 7, 1955, after 50 years of service.



### ONE DEATH FROM FIRE IN

The first death in Concord from fire in five years occurred when a man was trapped in the Fanaras block fire on February 20. Firemen removed the victim alive, suffering from severe burns, but he died two days later at the hospital.

### PERSONNEL OF FIRE DE-PARTMENT INCREASED

Action of the City Council, reducing the 84 hour work week to approximately 74 hours (amounting to two extra days off per month) for permanent firemen, made it necessary to add five new men to the department, thus raising the number of permanent members to 50. Examinations were administered and probationary appointments made on April 1, 1955.

### LARGE CALL FORCE AVAILABLE

In addition to regular members of the department there are 78 call firemen. These men respond to box alarms and other emergency calls to supplement the regular force. Drills are held for call as well as permanent firemen.

### MAINTENANCE WORK CARRIED ON BY FIREMEN

The Fire Department maintains in top condition its apparatus and buildings at all times. This work is done almost entirely by members of the department.

All fire hose is tested periodically. Any lengths failing to pass the test at required pressure are rejected and passed on to other departments not requiring hose for emergency work. A total of 22,500 feet of hose are currently in service.

### LEE PROMOTED TO 2ND DEPUTY

Arthur R. Lee, a member of the department for 19 years, was promoted to 2nd Deputy on Feburary 1, 1955, to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Joseph Greenough, Jr. on January 1, 1955.

### CHIEF GREEN HONORED BY RE-ELECTION TO EXECUTIVE BOARD OF NEW ENGLAND FIRE CHIEFS' ASSOCIATION

At the 33rd annual conference of the New England Fire Chiefs' Association held in June, Chief Clarence H. Green was made State Director of the association from New Hampshire.

### CHARITIES AIDED BY FIREMEN

In addition to their regular schedule of work, the firemen

participated in several charitable and civic projects. Chief among these was their well known annual project of building toy replicas of fire trucks for Christmas giving to underpriviledged children, Over 500 of these trucks were turned out in 1955, using materials and money donated by local merchants and businessmen. The Fire Department aerial ladder was used in assisting the local Chamber of Commerce with its annual arrival of Santa Claus program.

A very successful drive was conducted for benefit of the Muscular Dystrophy Association. This department cooperated with the Police Department in a paper drive and benefit basketball game for the March of Dimes and in the Jimmy Fund campaign.

Firemen are shown battling the Concord Hardware & Plumbing Supply Company blaze, Concord's worst fire since 1948.



### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Your Police Department is dedicated to protecting and assisting the citizens of Concord in the most efficient, equitable and courteous manner possible.

### FEWER MAJOR OFFENSES IN 1955

An encouraging note was a decrease of 37% in the number of major offenses, from 103 in 1954 to only 65 in 1955. Larcenies accounted for 54 out of the total number compared with 75 last year.

### INCREASED NUMBER OF TRAFFIC OFFENSES COMMITTED

Of the 11,736 offenses committed in Concord during 1955, 11,139 were traffic violations, compared with 8,128 traffic violations out of a total of 8,642 offenses in 1954. The number of parking violations increased by nearly 2,000 over last year.

There were 404 traffic accidents this year, resulting in injuries to 130 persons. This is 39 more accidents than last year, but 13 fewer injuries. Four persons died as a result of traffic accidents, the same number as in 1954.

### 845 PARKING METERS IN CITY PATROLLED & MAINTAINED

During 1955, 26 meters were reset, 13 due to a change made in parking on Pleasant Street Extension, 37 posts were straightened and 17 heads tightened.

A survey, on which the Police Department cooperated with the Planning Department, disclosed a total of 2,395 parking spaces in the city. Of these, 1,013 were on-street and 1,382 were off-street spaces, and approximately one-fourth, or 657, downtown parking spaces were in metered areas.

### RESPONDED TO OVER 1,000 AMBULANCE CALLS IN 1955

The Concord Police Department furnishes free night and day ambulance service within the city limits. A total of 1,130 ambulance trips were made in 1955, 135 more than in 1954.

### ONE-THIRD OF ALL STOLEN PROPERTY RECOVERED

It is interesting to note that your Police Department recovered \$3,330.80 in stolen property of the \$9,941.56 worth reported missing during 1955.



City Manager and Police Chief view new police service truck.



Deputy Chief Edward J. Silva

### DEPUTY CHIEF RETIRED AFTER 48 YEARS SERVICE

Veteran policeman, Edward J. Silva, retired on December 31, 1955, after 48 years of service to the department and citizens of Concord. Deputy Silva started police work in 1907 as a special officer, became a regular member of the department in 1911 and rose through the ranks to become Deputy Chief in 1935. He was instrumental in initiating finger print work in this department.

### POLICE TRAINING CARRIED ON

In a constant effort to improve police efficiency, training courses are carried on for police personnel. During 1955, three members of the department completed a course in public speaking conducted by the University of New Hampshire, nine officers attended a refresher course in first aid and all members of the department received firearms training under a special agent of the F.B.I.

### POLICE CHECK BICYCLES BEFORE REGISTRATION

During the month of April each year, the Police Department checks all bicycles and issues registration plates. A fee of 25¢ is charged. All bicycles must have a light, horn or bell and red reflector. A total of 2,061 bicycles were registered in 1955.

This year for the first time, a crew of police made scheduled inspections at city school years. This was to speed registrations and protect many children from having to bring their "bikes" through heavy traffic to the police station.

### ANOTHER BUSY YEAR FOR C. P. B. A. BOY 'S CLUB

The Police Boy's Club provides healthful and characterbuilding activities for boys who might not otherwise be reached. It maintains a club house on Highland Street with modern gymnasium facilities.

Basketball teams are organized which compete with teams throughout the area. In February, the 100 pound midget team played the Dover team at the Boston Garden court. Classes are conducted in boxing, wrestling and tumbling and weekly movies are shown during the winter and spring seasons. Parties are held at Hallow'een and Christmas.

### MUNICIPAL COURT

The Municipal Court sets on six days each week, between 9:00 A. M. and 12:00 Noon, to hear criminal and then civil cases. It is frequently necessary to hold sessions in the afternoon as well, due to the increasing number of cases to be heard.

1955 RECORD YEAR FOR COURT RECEIPTS--UP 30% OVER 1954

Municipal Court receipts for the year totaled \$37,988.32, of which \$36,362. was received from fines, \$59.50 from entry fees and writs and \$1,566.82 from miscellaneous sources.

Court costs and miscellaneous expenses amounted to \$6,421.58. \$12,843.90 was turned over to the State Motor Vehicle Department as its share in motor vehicle fines and the City of Concord retained \$18,722.84.

### NUMBER OF COURT CASES CONTINUES TO RISE

An increase of almost 50% was seen in the number of criminal cases heard during 1955. Increases in these and other types of cases over 1954 are shown as follows:

	<u> 1955</u>	<u> 1954</u>
Criminal: Felonies	19	20
Misdemeanors	4,256	2,158
Civil cases	193	110
Parking violations	8,445	6,528
Small claims	1,589	592
Total	14,502	9,408

The court handled 83 cases involving juveniles,  $33\,\mathrm{more}$  than during 1954.

### SPECIAL JUSTICE KING RETIRED

On October 9, 1955, Special Justice Peter J. King retired. Attorney Francis E. Perkins was appointed to succeed him as Special Justice on October 10, 1955.

 ${\sf Concord's\ Municipal\ Court\ is}$  one of the few in the State staffed entirely by practicing lawyers.

### INSPECTIONS

Hardly a day goes by that inspections, investigations or tests are not carried on in the interest of a safer, healthier and more attractive community. City departments doing the major share of this work are the Health, Fire and Engineering Departments.



1,840 DAIRY SAMPLES COLLECTED & ANALYZED DURING 1955

The Sanitary Inspector collects dairy food samples from all producers distributing in the Concord market and analyzes these for purity and quality. He also collects rinse samples from clean containers which he tests for bacteria content. During 1955 he issued 340 written reports of analyzes to producers and dealers. He also makes periodic inspections of dairy herds and facilities.

Another phase of the Sanitary Inspector's work is investigation and inspection of possible health hazards throughout the city. He makes regular checks of stores, restaurants, schools and all other places where food is handled commerically, checking for quality and sanitary conditions of storage, display and handling. He makes investigations at every site where a complaint is received. No barber shop, restaurant, boarding home, food market or dairy producer is allowed to operate in Concord before the establishment has been inspected and licensed by the Health Department. During 1955 the inspector made a total of 1,345 inspections and investigations, and issued 329 written notices for correction of sanitary law violations.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT INSPECTORS ACT TO PREVENT FIRE

It is impossible to measure in terms of money and lives the amount saved each year through fire prevention efforts, but it is certain that the sum would be impressive. A total of 1,257 inspections for fire safety were made throughout the city during 1955. These include monthly inspections at all convalescent homes and frequent inspections in the high value district of the city and at churches, hospitals, schools, theatres and all public buildings. Fairs, carnivals and all other places where large numbers of people congregate are patrolled by fire details.

All new and conversion oil burner installations must be inspected before they are put into operation, due to the combustible nature of the fuel. The department made 913 of these inspections during 1955.

### BUILDING INSPECTOR ADMINISTERS BUILDING LAWS

In addition to examining plans for new construction and alterations, the Building Inspector visits all buildings and sites where complaints of violations or unsafe conditions are received, often accompanied by fire and health inspectors.

He rules on all violations of the Zoning Ordinance and Building and Plumbing Codes according to rules set forth in these laws. Appeals from his decisions may be taken to the Zoning Board or Board of Building Appeals. During 1955 the Zoning Board held 28 meetings and heard 76 cases; notable among these were the Foy filling station, S. P. C. A. animal shelter and McKee super market petitions. The Board of Building Appeals held four meetings, hearing four cases.

The Board of Plumbing Examiners, of which the Building Inspector is a member, seeks to protect the city and the public by requiring all plumbers to be examined and licensed. It issued licenses to 23 journeymen and 30 master plumbers in 1955, and administered examinations to two new applicants.

The City Sealer of Weights & Measures works closely with the State Department of Agriculture, in testing for accuracy weighing and measuring devices of all kinds throughout the city.

### **PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE**

### HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The Health Department, headed by the City Physican, maintains a clerk in the city hall to answer questions, receive complaints and handle clerical details. The Sanitary Inspection Division is in constant touch with health conditions throughout the city. Laboratory facilities for chemical testing are provided in the city hall. (See page 23) The public comfort station on Warren Street is also operated by the Health Department.

415 CHILDREN ATTENDED HEALTH DEPARTMENT CLINICS
Free immunization and vaccination clinics are held at
the city hall, with assistance of the Concord Visiting Nurse Association staff. Seven such clinics were held during 1955.

### CONCORD ACTS TO CONTROL POLIO

Concord had 14 cases of poliomyelitis during 1955, an increase of eight cases over 1954. With release of the Salk polio vaccine, this community joined others in taking steps to combat the disease. Four polio clinics, directed by the City Physican, were held at local schools for administering the vaccine to first and second grade children. Approximately 1,500 children received first and second shots.

A total of 757 cases of communicable disease were reported to the Health Department during 1955. An infection of measles reached epidemic proportions during February.

### CITY AID TO CONCORD HEALTH AGENCIES

Concord Hospital was aided by the City's usual financial contribution. The Hospital's request for aid is based on the amount of its deficit apportioned among the communities which it serves according to the total amount of service rendered the citizens of each during the previous year. In 1955 Concord contributed \$25,000. toward support of this important community service. 1955 saw the near completion of the new Concord Hospital struct-

ure on Pleasant Street.

The city government also contributed \$4,700. to support the work of the Visiting Nurse Association in Concord and Penacook, and continued to furnish rent free accommodations in the city hall for its office and clinics.

C ity Physican administers diphtheria-tetanus-whooping cough anti-toxin at Health Department clinic.

### WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Relief on the municipal level is handled by the City Welfare Department, administered by the Welfare Director in Concord and by the Overseer of the Poor in Penacook, with offices in both places. Each request for assistance is thoroughly investigated before relief is granted.

### STATE CONTRIBUTION FOR WELFARE MEDICAL EXPENSES REDUCED

The State of New Hampshire's sharply curtailed appropriation for welfare purposes caused it to reduce its contribution for welfare medical expenses on September 1, shifting these expenses to local sources.

### GENERAL RELIEF COSTS LOWEST IN FIVE YEARS

As seen on the chart below, city welfare expenses continued to decline for the fifth successive year. In 1955 the Department aided 36 cases, representing 81 persons, at a cost of \$22,818.70. This is a decrease of five cases from last year, although the number of persons aided remained the same, and a decrease of \$2,644.11 in expenditures.

## WELFARE AID RENDERED AGED AND INFIRMED WITH ASSISTANCE OF STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENTS

In 1955 Old Age Assistance cases, including aliens, numbered 259 with expenditures of \$47,775.90 in City funds; \$4,882.47 less than last year. Where the recipients were citizens the State and Federal governments assume 75% of the total cost, and 50% of the total in the case of aliens.

Aid to the Permanently and Totally Disabled cost the City \$2,335.73, a slight decrease from last year, with six persons aided. The State and Federal governments also participate in this program, together assuming 65% of the entire cost.

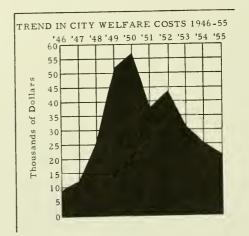
### CAUSES OF WELFARE NEED CITED

The following shows the reasons for relief need and the approximate per cent of cases in each catagory during 1955 compared with 1954

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	1955	1954
Sickness	23%	35%
Insufficient Income	23%	30%
Unemployment	21%	20%
Marital Difficulties	19%	5%
Unemployment	10%	5%
Partially Handi-	4%	5%
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### CITY DONATION TO FAMILY SERVICE AGENCY

The City aided the valuable work of the Concord Family Service Bureau with an appropriation of \$350., plus rent free office space in the city hall.



### **PUBLIC SERVICES**

### MUNICIPAL AIRPORT

For 19 years the City of Concord has owned and operated the Concord Airport as a service to its citizens and visitors.

Airport maintenance work, consisting mainly of plowing the runways in winter and care of grounds in summer, is handled by the City Public Works Department.

### IMPROVED FLIGHT SCHEDULE INAUGURATED

Northeast Airlines, Inc., which serves Concord Airport, scheduled daily round-trip service directly to and from New York, beginning in September, 1955. In October another flight was added via Boston, making three flights stopping at Concord daily.

### MORE CARGO HANDLED DURING 1955

1955	1954
1,614	1,839
3,226 lbs.	2,948 lbs.
5,466 lbs.	3,898 lbs.
10,409 lbs.	6,156 lbs.
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### C. A. P. TO ERECT NEW BUILDING

In an exchange of land with the City, a small lot at the northwest corner of the airport was deeded to the local Civil Air Patrol unit as a site for its new building.

### AIRPORT BECOMING CENTER OF INDUSTRIAL GROWTH

Much of the approximately 300 acres of land transferred this year for industrial development borders directly on the airport. The new plant of Richard D. Brew & Company located nearby was completed. In line with anticipated greater use of the airport, the City plans future improvements in lighting, runways and other facilities.

The Airport Administration Building is filled to capacity with State and Federal government and industrial air-related activities, as well as airline offices. Two private flying services operate from city leased hangers shown at the left.



### CEMETERIES

A service too seldom recognized is that performed by the Cemetery Division of the Public Works Department. Ten city cemeteries, at widely separated locations, are cared for, lots sold and the public assisted in locating lots and graves. Also, two private cemeteries, Calvary on North State Street and Penacook Calvary, are maintained and the city reimbursed for the cost.

### CEMETERY CREW MOWS 137 ACRES

A total of 202 acres of land is held by the city for cemetery purposes, of which 119 acres are currently in use. Constant mowing and trimming are required to keep 137 acres mowed short. The crew also cares for lots, shrubs, trees and flower beds, and attends to leaf and snow removal in season

### ASSISTED WITH 377 INTERMENTS -- 60 MORE THAN IN 1954

The Cemetery Division assisted undertakers with 377 interments in local cemeteries, including Calvary. Seventy lots of varying sizes were sold in city cemeteries and 29 in Calvary.

In addition, city crews assisted contractors in setting 96 foundations for monuments in all cemeteries.

### NEW BLOCKS COMPLETED IN 1955

Blocks MM and OO in Blossom Hill Cemetery were surveyed, pinned out, graded and seeded ready for sale of lots. Other improvements included an island built in the center of the pond at Blossom Hill for protection of the wild life and a new rubber tile floor laid in the cemetery office.

### MANY TRUSTS FOR CEMETERY CARE

The Trustees of Trust Funds hold 3,120 trusts for cemetery care, of which 80 new ones were added in 1955, amounting to \$10,321. A total of \$481,202.17 is now held in cemetery trusts. This money is used for care, repair and decoration of lots.



The main gate and office at Blossom Hill, Concord's largest cemetery.

### PUBLIC LIBRARY

A CENTURY OF LIBRARY SERVICE

With the year 1955 the library completed 100 years of service to the citizens of Concord. A city supported public library was established by ordinance adopted August 25, 1855, a Board of Trustees was organized and \$1,500. appropriated. Gifts of money and books were received from generous citizens. In 1857 the library had a collection of 2,291 books housed in one room.

From this beginning your public library has grown to occupy a modern building with reference, children's, young people's and periodical sections, offices and meeting rooms; maintaining a branch library in Penacook and a booktrailer visiting seven different sections of the city weekly; also providing book service at the Concord Hospital and constantly making loans to the elementary schools.

Over the years the aim of your public library has remained the same as that expressed in 1856 by its Board of Trustees, that the library be "the cherished institution of the city; of all the people of the city;--its benefits--equally accessible to all".

LIBRARY CIRCULATION CONTINUED UPWARD TREND

Concord's 20,223 borrowers circulated a total of 239,407 books during 1955, an increase of 9,197 books over the 1954 total. In line with this, the book collection was increased by 6,330 volumes, making a total collection of 72,044 books. To keep the card catalog up to date it was necessary for the Catalog Division to type and file 21,887 new cards during the year.

Award winners in the 1955 summer reading program are shown here with their leader.



PER CAPITA COST OF MAINTAINING LIBRARY RELATIVELY SMALL

The library was maintained during 1955 at a total cost of \$73,062., of which \$18,850. was supplied by income from Trust Funds and \$54,211. was appropriated by the City. This cost to the public amounted to approximately \$1.86 per resident—considerably less than the price of one good book!

INITIATED HONOR SYSTEM OF CHARGING OUT PAPER BOUND BOOKS

All a borrower must do is report the number of such books taken and return the same number with no fixed time limit imposed.

LIBRARY SERVES ALL AGE GROUPS

The Children's Di-

vision sponsored 63 story hours and 29 film programs during the year. Classes in children's books for mothers of pre-school children proved increasingly popular. Forty school classes visited the library for instruction in its use and staff members visited the schools frequently. Good reading by children and young people is encouraged by the Junior Book Club, and a library sponsored summer reading program in which 175 boys and girls participated this year.

The library sponsored 32 discussion group meetings and provided facilities for 142 other meetings. The library staff delivered 15 talks before groups and represented the library at 103 meetings during the year. Weekly articles about books, lists of new books and news items on library activities were prepared for newspaper publication.



The Young People's Room is a scene of much activity after school each day.

The Reference Division answered 5,300 questions and filled 3,000 requests for books.

CHILDREN ENTERTAINED AT LIBRARY BY C. W. ANDERSON Mr. C. W. Anderson of Mason, well known artist and author of books about horses, entertained a capacity audience of children with stories and sketches, on November 2. Mr. Anderson presented the library with a portfolio of his paintings of horses.

### LIBRARY EXHIBITS ATTRACT MUCH ATTENTION

The main library provides an attractive setting, easily accessible to all for the display of many types of art work. Exhibitions this year included: ceramics by Isobel and Frederick Karl of Peterborough; wood engravings by Herbert Waters of Holderness; drawings and engravings by Harry E. Thompson of Pittsfield; water colors by Mrs. Marion Rawson of East Alstead; paintings by children of many lands, known as the "Art for World Friendship" exhibit; oil paintings by Concord Artists, Inc. and work by public school art and craft classes.

FIRST WOMAN TO SERVE AS CHAIRMAN OF LIBRARY BOARD Mrs. Eugene Magenau was elected Chairman of the Board of Library Trustees this year, becoming the first woman to hold this office in the history of the board.

### RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

### SUMMER PLAYGROUND SEASON MOST SUCCESSFUL

Nine playgrounds were operated for 10 weeks. Attendance was estimated at 75,460, up 10% over 1954. A varied program of activities in athletics, arts and crafts, dancing, music, nature, etc. was carried on plus the following special events:

Rotary Club City Swim Meet Lake Sunapee Train Trip Playground Water Circus Be Kind to Aminals Week Playground Talent Shows Beginners Swim Lessons 4th of July Field Days

Playground Circus Tennis Tournament Weirs Train Trip Baseball League Peanut Carnival Recreation Revue Archery Tournament

### SPECIAL CITY-WIDE EVENTS ENJOYED BY THOUSANDS

Jaycee Silver Skates Derby\* Easter Egg Hunt\* Do-It-Yourself Hobby Show\* Sports Night Show\* Jaycee Foul Shooting Tourney\* \* Inaugurated in 1955

Winter Carnival Ball New Year's Eve Ball Jack O'Lantern Ball Eddie Moylan Tennis Clinic 4th of July Fireworks

REGULAR PROGRAMS & SERVICES IMPROVED & EXPANDED After-school sports (baseball, softball, tennis, hockey, etc.)

Four Basketball Leagues for Men & Boys Men's Touch Football under floodlights Physical Education Class for Handicapped Children's & Adult's Arts & Crafts Classes Concord Sunset Club Children's & Adult's Archery Classes

Judo Class Concord Play School

Record Hops (41 conducted)

Family Night Neighborhood Square Dances (46 conducted)

### WINTER SPORTS CONTINUED POPULAR

An estimated 50,000 persons of all ages skated at White Park alone during 78 days of skating. Children's and adult classes were conducted in skiing, ice skating and figure skating. A hockey rink was maintained and hockey teams organized. Certain streets in the city were set aside for coasting.

### GOLF COURSE RECEIPTS UP IN 1955

Income at Beaver Meadow Municipal Golf Course totaled \$6,126., an increase of more than 18% over 1954. The Beaver Meadow Social Club was organized.

### ESTIMATED 300,000 USED RECREATION FACILITIES

Facilities were maintained for use of more than 50 organizations and hundreds of individuals in 150 acres of parks, playgrounds, athletic fields, etc. Ball diamonds were maintained for 434 practices and games.

1955 saw substantial improvements; among them removal of the pavillion to Garrison Park; renovation of West Street Ward House for recreation use; fencing of asphalt court and layout of archery range at White Park; fencing of Doyen Park with cedar posts; construction of portable bleachers, rustic benches and signs; oil burner installed for better heating at White Park administration building; drinking fountains installed; 7,000 feet of lumber cut for construction purposes; shrubs planted and park walks improved.



### A MUNICIPAL UTILITY

Concord's Water Department, unlike other city departments, operates like a private company in respect to finance, deriving its revenue exclusively from income from its own services. Its aim is to provide a constant and abundant supply of pure water for the citizens of Concord.

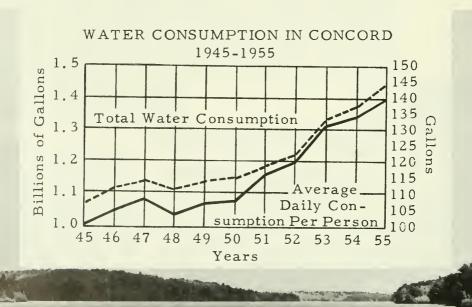
### 1955 BIGGEST CONSTRUCTION YEAR SINCE 1940

A total of 15,245 feet of water main was laid, making this the largest construction year since the 14 inch main was laid from West Concord to Penacook 15 years ago. The end of 1955 saw a network of 106.3 miles of water mains in operation throughout the city.

The largest construction projects were the so-called "Black Hill" extension on Airport Road and Manchester Streets, and the River Road and Abbott Road extensions in Penacook. In connection with this new construction, 18 new hydrants were set, six hydrants replaced and 34 main line valves installed. Several smaller extensions were laid and old mains relaid in some sections. All pipe used was cement lined cast iron, ranging in size from six to 12 inches.

### RECORD NUMBER OF SERVICE CONNECTIONS INSTALLED

During 1955, 117 new service connections were laid and 77 old services were replaced, using copper tubing on all. This is the largest number of new services laid during a single year



and makes a total of 5,739 services and 5,111 meters now in use. Unmetered services include municipal buildings and facilities, uncompleted construction and flat rate customers, using less than the minimum amount of water a year.

### INCREASED WATER CON-SUMPTION

Water consumption during 1955 was 1,436,484,000 gallons, or a daily average of 3,935,373 gallons. Of the total amount consumed 943,171,000 gallons were pumped and 493,313,000 gallons were supplied by gravity. The chart on the preceding page shows the rate of increase in Concord's water consumption over the last 10 years.

The extremely hot month of July set a record for water consumption in a single month, with 145,000,000 gallons used.

Inspite of a very dry year and record water consumption the water supply was ample and no restrictions of any kind were imposed on its use.

### PENACOOK LAKE SOURCE OF CITY WATER

Penacook Lake, often called Long Pond, is the principal source of Concord's water supply. It has been restricted exclusively for this purpose since 1951. It is patrolled regularly by department employees and permission for outside agencies to make use of it for any purpose must be granted by act of the City Council. The council granted requests during 1955 for ice cutting operations on the lake and for the State Fish & Game Department to trap game fish for transfer to other ponds.

### STUDY OF WATER SUPPLY AUTHORIZED

Thomas R. Camp of Boston, one of the country's leading authorities on water supply, was engaged to investigate ways of improving Concord's water supply, and began work on this project during March. At the end of the year this survey was practically completed and a report is expected early in 1956.



Water Department crew lays new main in River Road, Penacook.

### CITY HOUSEKEEPER

The City Public Works Department sweeps, disposes of wastes, sprays and trims trees, removes snow, paints and makes repairs on a city wide scale as carefully as one would care for a home and garden.

### EXCESSIVE CRACKING UP OF PAVEMENTS DUE TO UNUSUAL WINTER WEATHER

Lack of snowfall early in the winter allowing frost to penetrate deep into the ground followed by warm days, cold nights and occasional rain softening the soil under pavements together with the weight of vehicles above caused the pavements to break up. City street crews used as much as 80 tons of cold patch in a single day in an effort to keep streets safe and relatively smooth.

An abnormal number of calls to thaw out culverts, catch basins and ditches kept the steamer in almost constant use during February.

### STREET IMPROVEMENTS MADE

The Public Works Department crews rebuilt Pleasant View Avenue, amounting to 600 feet of street between Pleasant and School Streets.

South Spring Street was widened at a point near Concord Street. This involved purchase and cutting away of a piece of land formerly jutting out into the street and obstructing vision. Both the street and sidewalk at this point were straightened and resurfaced.

The Crowley Road was rebuilt to New Hampshire secondary road standards and completed except for cleaning up and surfacing. This project was handled entirely by city crews under the State Town Road Aid program.

A fire hazard, which had existed in the center of the city for many years, was eliminated with the rebuilding of Blake Street. Its original 10 foot width was increased to 16 feet with 18 inch sidewalks on either side.

city crew builds traffic islands at the intersection of Center and Auburn Streets. a project undertaken primarily for the safety of children attending the Dewey School.



### 7,000 SQUARE YARDS OF SIDEWALK RESURFACED

Badly needed sidewalk repairs were undertaken during 1955, with about 7,000 square yards of the worst sections resurfaced. This begins a sidewalk improvement program which it is expected to take several years to complete.

### OVER 1,200 FEET OF NEW SANITARY SEWER MAIN LAID BY CITY SEWER DIVISION

In addition to three large sewer jobs handled by contractors, several smaller sanitary sewer projects were laid by the Sewer Division crew. These included 600 feet of Auburn Street, 500 feet on Pleasant View Avenue, 110 feet on Columbus Avenue and 30 feet connecting a subdivision off East Side Drive. All these projects were paid for either wholly or in part by those benefitting.

### CITY COLLECTED AND DISPOSED OF SOME 37,000 CUBIC YARDS OF REFUSE DURING 1955

City refuse packers supplemented frequently by open trucks traveled a total of 37,000 miles collecting approximately 68,000 cubic yards of refuse. Table garbage collection is furnished by a private contractor at a cost to the city of \$8,000.a year.

### CITY ENGINEER & SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS RESIGNED

Wesley E. Haynes resigned in June from the position of City Engineer & Superintendent of Public Works, which he had held for the past three years. Howard E. Raymond was appointed Acting City Engineer.

### TREE CREW FIGHTS DUTCH ELM DISEASE

The Dutch Elm disease continued to spread promoted by a heavy infestation of elm beetles. Nine city trees were reported infected by the State entomologist, and these were scheduled for removal in an attempt to curb the disease. It is unfortunate that many infected trees are located on private property and cannot be ordered removed.



The city tree crew is kept busy with spraying, trimming and removal of city trees. Over 70 maple saplings were set out, and 49 large trees were removed during 1955.

### CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

### FORD AVENUE PARKING LOT COMPLETED

City off-street parking facilities were increased by 22 parking spaces with completion of the Ford Avenue parking lot adjacent to the city hall. New type four-hour parking meters were installed at a cost of only \$12.50 per car space, out of a total cost of \$1,274. per space. Use of and receipts from the lot were quite satisfactory during the approximately four month period which the meters were in operation during 1955.

PURCHASE OF LAND FOR FUTURE SEWAGE DISPOSAL PLANT
Anticipating future needs, the City purchased for \$25,000
50 acres of land off Hall Street at a bend in the Merrimack River,
from C. T. Enright for future use as site of a sewage disposal plant.

### PLANS FOR AIRPORT EXPANSION

The City undertook to provide for construction of a new hangar at the Concord Airport to be used by Fern's Flying Service. Plans were drawn, bids received, and plans revised in an attempt to keep costs under the \$40,000. appropriated for the project.

A request for Federal Airport Aid was filed in November with the State Aeronautics Commission for a new lighting system and other needed improvements at the airport. The total estimated cost of this project is \$50,000., of which the City will pay one-fourth.

### SANITARY SEWERS CONSTRUCTED

Two extensive new sanitary sewer projects were completed during November in the East Side and West Side sections of the city, totalling over 10,000 feet of sewer main laid at a cost of \$150,000., part of which will be recovered under special assessment procedure.

The East Side project, laid in East Side Drive, Ormond Street and Christian Avenue, was built by the Manchester Sand, Gravel & Cement Company. It is designed to ultimately serve 300 homes and places of business.

The West Side sewer was constructed to meet the needs of the new Concord Hospital, and also serves the Carmilite Monastry and residences on Pleasant Street. Laid by the Samuel Aceto Com-

The Ford Avenue Parking Lot





Laying the sewer in Pleasant Street near the new Concord Hospital

pany of Portland, Maine, it starts at Clinton Street, runs across Memorial Field and other property to reach Pleasant Street just east of the Pleasant View Home and extends along Pleasant Street. This sewer may eventually be extended to serve the St. Paul's School area and the presently undeveloped section north of Pleasant Street.

### PROGRESS ON STATE TOLL ROAD PROJECT

Continued progress on construction of the F. E. Everett Toll Highway resulted in considerably changing the appearance of the Hall Street-Water Street section of the city. It was necessary for the State to purchase and have moved or demolished 34 houses and other buildings to clear right-of-way for the new highway. A new street, known as Basin Street, was created to provide access to property located between the Merrimack River and the highway. From a traffic interchange located just north of the Concord-Bow line, the toll road becomes a freeway extending to Manchester Street where it connects with the Concord thru-pass. Involved in its construction are overpasses over Hall Street, the Boston & Maine Railroad tracks and Manchester Street and an underpass under South Main Street at the interchange.



Construction of an overpass to carry freeway traffic over Hall Street

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### FINANCIAL TABLES

### COMBINED BALANCE SHEET-

December

GENERAL	FUND	ASSETS

Cash: First National Bank - General Account		\$315,723.38	
Imprest Funds		1,035.00	
Cash for Payment of Bonds & Coupons		75.00	\$491.833.38
Cash in Other Banks		175,000.00	<b>\$</b> 491,033.30
Taxes Receivable:	#010 has as		
Current Year Levy - Property	\$242,411.33 4,918.80		
Total Current Year	247,330.13		
Less: Reserve for Abatements	23,217.34	224,112.79	
Prior Yrs. Levies - Property	1.573.80		
Prior Yrs. Levies - Polls  Taxes Bought by City - Unredeemed	1,322.98 28,170.31		
Total Prior Years & Unredeemed	31,067.09		
Less: Reserve for Non-Realization	31,067.09	-0-	224.112.79
Accounts Receivable:			
Water & Sewer Rentals	49,396.37 19,939.11		
Cemetery Receivables	4,338.93	73,674.41	
Less: Reserves for Non-Realization		15,075.47	58,598.94
Stores Accounts:			
Stationery & Supplies Inventory	3,387.77 86.90		
Postage Meter Inventory	394.14	3.868.81	
Less: Reserves for Non-Realization		3,868.81	-0-
Tax-Deeded Properties:		2,765.97	
Less: Reserve for Non-Realization		2.765.97	-0-
State Head Taxes Receivable:			
Current Year Levy		16,899.15	20.464.80
Prior Yrs. Levies		3,565.65	20,464.60
Total General Fund Assets			\$795,009.91
TRUST FUND A	SSETS		

### TRUST FUND ASSETS

Cash - National State Capital Bank	4,826.43	
Investments	633,760.85	638,587.28

### CAPITAL FUND ASSETS (MUNICIPAL & SCHOOLS)

*Bond Requirements - ruture lears:		
Municipal	731,000.00	
School	1,995,000.00	2,726,000.00

### BOND FUND ASSETS

Cash - National State Capital Bank	19,095.37	
Cash - In Other Banks	3,895.00	
Investments	1,496,105.00	1.519,095.37

GRAND TOTAL - ASSETS

5.678,692.56

\*Does not Include Debt Payable from Water, Sewer, Parking Meter or Sp. Assess. Funds  $38 \, \times \, \times \, \text{City}$  of Concord

31, 1955

### GENERAL FUND LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable: Unpresented Coupons Current Vouchers Payable	\$75.00 10,078.54	\$10,153.54
Unexpended Appropriations:  Union School District  Interest - Union School District Bonds  Penacook School District  Library Earmarked Income	449,763.00 20,505.00 39,988.64 145.16	510,401.80
Due to Other Funds:  Equipment & Stores Fund Water Fund Sanitary Sewer Fund Parking Meter Fund	51,422.81 67,382.53 8,345.81 25,463.73	152,614.88
Advance Deposits: Taxes Collected in Advance Options, Plans, Etc.	78.11 580.48	658.59
Head Taxes Due to State		22,903.10
Total General Fund Liabilities		\$696,731.91
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Current Surplus		98,278.00
Total General Fund Liabilities & Surplus		795,009.91
TRUST FUND LIABILITIES		
Principal	613,903.14 24,684.14	638,587.28
CAPITAL FUND LIABILITIES (MUNICIPAL	& SCHOOL)	
*Long-Term Debt: Bonded Debt Long-Term Notes	2,726,000.00	2.726,000.00
BOND FUND LIABILITIES		
Construction Authorized - School  Construction or Equipment Authorized  Vouchers Payable  Contracts Payable	1,500,000.00 15,430.24 2,932.10 733.03	1,519,095.37
GRAND TOTAL - LIABILITIES		5,678,692.56

### **GENERAL FUND**

### STATEMENT OF CURRENT SURPLUS

For the Year Ended December 31, 1955

Unappropriated Balance, December 31,1954		43,085.89 43,000.00 85.89
1955 Budget Surplus Unencumbered Balances of Appropriations Excess of Actual over Estimated Revenues	70,967.88 43,533.97	114.501.85
Plus: Excess Reserves Liquidated	935.41	935.41
Less: Additional Reserves Set Up To Increase Reserve Against Stores Accounts to 100% To Increase Reserve Against Taxes Rec. Prior Yrs. to 100%	667.51 16,577.64	17,245.15
Balance Available for Reduction of 1956 Tax Rate		98,278.00

### STATEMENT OF LONG TERM DEBT

December 31, 1955

Municipal:  Storm Sewers Signal System Equip. & Improve Equip. & Improve	Date of <u>Issue</u> 1937 1948 1949 1953	Date of Maturity 1956 1958 1958	Int. Rate 2 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 2	Paid Principal 7,000.00 23,000.00 25,000.00 60,000.00 115,000.00	315.00 1,006.25	Balance Dec.31,1955 7,000.00 69,000.00 75,000.00 580,000.00 731,000.00
School: High School Additions & Renov. Jr. High & Other .	1925 1954 1955	1965 1964 1975	4 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub> 1.20 2.10	14,000.00 30,000.00 -0- 44,000.00	6,545.00 3,420.00 -0- 9,965.00	140,000.00 255,000.00 1,600,000.00 1,995,000.00
Self Liquidating: Water Const. & Land Parking Areas *San. Sewer Const #Water Const	1953	1969 1963 1965 1966	1.75 1.50 2.10 2.10	10,000.00 20,000.00 -0- -0- 30,000.00	2,537.50 2,550.00 -0- -0- 5,087.50	140,000.00 160,000.00 100,000.00 80,000.00 480,000.00
Total				189,000.00	30,486.25	3,206,000.00

\*Approx. 6% payable from Special Assessments #Approx. 50% payable from Special Assessments

ANALYSIS	OF	DEBT	MATURITIES

	WINNTY	OTO OF DEDI LW	TOILLIES		
					Parking
Due in	Municipal	School	Water	San sewers	Areas
1956	115,000.00	124,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	20.000.00
1957	108,000.00	124,000.00	18,000.00	10,000.00	20,000.00
1958	108,000.00	124,000.00	18,000.00	10.000.00	20.000.00
1959	60,000.00	124,000.00	18,000.00	10,000.00	20,000.00
1960	60,000.00	124,000.00	18,000.00	10,000.00	20,000.00
1961	60,000.00	124,000.00	18,000.00	10,000.00	20.000.00
1962	60,000.00	124,000.00	18,000.00	10,000.00	20,000.00
1963	60,000.00	124,000.00	18,000.00	10,000.00	20,000.00
1964	50,000.00	109,000.00	18,000.00	10,000.00	-0-
1965	50,000.00	94,000.00	18,000.00	10,000.00	-0-
Beyond 1965	-0-	800,000.00	48,000.00	-0-	0-
	731,000.00	1,995,000.00	220,000.00	100,000.00	160,000.00

### **GENERAL FUND**

### STATEMENT OF REVENUES

For the Year Ending December 31, 1955

Local Taxes:  Property Taxes-Current Yr. Levy Poll Taxes-Current Yr. Levy National Bank Stock Tax Added Taxes, Prior YrsProp. " " " -Poll Interest, Penalties & Costs Auto Permits Rent & Profit Tax-Deeded Prop. Timber Severance Tax	Budget Estimate 2,467,484.00 22,000.00 6,200.00 -0- 300.00 6,000.00 110,000.00 -0- 1,000.00 2,612,984.00	Revenues Realized 2,471,070.96 22,072.00 5,976.87 60.78 268.00 7,656.23 121,071.80 352.28 1,358.53 2,629,887.45	Excess 3,586.96 72.00 60.78 1,656.23 11,071.80 352.28 358.53 16,903.45	Deficiency 223.13 32.00
State Tax Contributions:  Railroad Tax  Savings Bank Tax  Interest & Dividend Tax  Loss of Taxes - State Forest	13,000.00 4,000.00 72,000.00 30.00 89,030.00	12,288.61 14,431.12 76,705.20 31.08 103,456.01	10,431.12 4,705.20 1.08 14,426.01	711.39
Licenses & Permits:  Bicycle Registrations Taxi Licenses Health Licenses Amusement Licenses Police & Prot. Licenses Prof. & Occupational Licenses	500.00 400.00 400.00 2,700.00 80.00 120.00 4,200.00	515.00 452.50 391.00 2,446.00 92.50 127.00 4,024.00	15.00 52.50 12.50 7.00	9.00 254.00
Registration Fees & Permits:  Marriage Licenses Recording Fees - Legal Documents Filing Fees Sundry Fees, City Clerk Dog Licenses	1,000.00 2,700.00 80.00 500.00 4,000.00 8,280.00	873.00 3,115.20 72.00 508.55 3,592.39 8,161.14	415.20 8.55	127.00 8.00 407.61 118.86
Departmental Service Charges: Rent of Buildings Comfort Station Concession Golf Fees Memorial Field, Royalties & Concess Misc. Dept. Service Charges Police Dept Ambulance Charges Airport, Rent Airport, Concessions Fines & Forfeits Comm. on Head Tax Collections Weights & Measures, Fees	1,400.00 150.00 6,000.00 100.00 1,800.00 1,000.00 8,500.00 100.00 10,000.00 6,800.00 300.00	1,315.00 343.34 6,068.00 357.75 3,889.70 1,277.50 8,844.80 77.19 18,722.84 6,661.04 426.74 47,983.90	193.34 68.00 257.75 2,089.70 277.50 344.80 8,722.84 126.74 11,833.90	22.81 138.96
Unclassified:  Interest Income Sale of Property All Other  TOTAL REVENUES	-0- 500.00 500.00 1,000.00 2,751,644.00	546.20 1,006.00 113.27 1,665.47 2,795,177.97	546.20 506.00 665.47 43,533.97	386.73

### GENERAL FUND

## STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

For the Year Ending December 31, 1955

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3,941.31 5,071.08 4,500.00 25,000.00 38,712.39	5,532.35 92,825.31 8,000.00 50,951.32 157,308.98	9,235.73 49,089.12 2,368.27 67,693.12	126,052.86 64,710.17 4,914.40 3,512.04 56,619.10 21,356.87 277,165.44	73,061.76 54,84 108.04 73,224,64
3,944.00 5,079.00 4,500.00 25,000.00 38,723.00	5,540.00 93,990.00 8,000.00 51,470.00 159,000.00	9,507.00 49,630.00 9,536.00 68,673.00	139,340.00 78,626.00 5,496.00 4,000.00 56,700.00 23,685.00 307,847.00	74,563.00 280.00 108.04 74,871.04
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3,955.00 5,013.00 4,500.00 25,000.00 38,668.00	5,095.00 86,990.00 8,000.00 46,270.00 147,055.00	9,507.00 20,130.00 8,786.00 38,423.00	151,040.00 78,626.00 5,496.00 4,000.00 56,500.00 26,915.00	55,713.00
Health: Health Department Sanitary Inspection Concord District Nursing Penacook District Nursing Concord Hospital	Sanitation & Waste Removal: Comfort Station Refuse Collection & Disposal Table Garbage Removal Street Cleaning	Public Service Enterprises: Cemetery Administration Cemetery Maintenance Airport	Highways & Sidewalks: Highway Maintenance Snow Removal & Sanding Sidewalk Maintenance Storm Sewers Street Lighting Engineering	Public Library:

# STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Unexpended Balances	77.76 11.144 2,062.43 363.99 3,122.66 2,901.05 5,724.10 631.17 664.27	129, 47 32.86 32.86 62, 44 195.39 11399 51.96 51.05 62.16	1,581.52
Net Expenditures	8,062.24 1,1338.56 7,137.57 2,836.01 2,377.34 1,598.95 47.775.90 8,863.83 2,335.00 82,681.13	10,666.53 11,170.14 5,299.56 6,003.61 2,567.01 20,210.04 3,172.30 4,993.31 5,260.24 76,260.24	970.00 30,418.48 60.00 5,110.69 120.00 517.22 37,196.39
Total Available	8,140.00 1,350.00 9,200.00 3,200.00 5,500.00 6,500.00 9,500.00 3,000.00 3,000.00 3,000.00	10,796.00 11,203.00 5,362.00 6,199.00 2,581.00 20,262.00 3,227.00 5,051.00 5,051.00 5,051.00	970.00 32,000.00 60.00 5,111.00 120.00 530.00
Transfers	- 2,300.00 - 800.00 1,500.00	495.00 362.00 - 1,263.00 - 1,263.00 - 1,310.00 - 1,310.00 - 118.00 881.00	1,641.00
Other			
Current Yr. Appropriation	8,140.00 1,350.00 9,200.00 5,500.00 5,300.00 3,500.00 3,500.00 3,500.00 3,500.00 3,500.00	10,301.00 11,565.00 6,225.00 7,462.00 2,546.00 18,077.00 5,169.00 5,052.00 5,063.00 76,897.00	970.00 32,000.00 60.00 3,500.00 120.00 500.00 37,150.00
·	Charities: Administration - Concord Administration - Penacook General Relief Boarding Home Care - Adults Boarding Home Care - Children Hospital & Medical Care Old Age Assistance Aid to Dependent Soldiers Aid to Permanently & Totally Disabled Family Service Bureau	Recreation: Administration Playground Activities Indoor Centers Activities Special Activities Golf Course Activities Park Maintenance Playground Maintenance Golf Course Maintenance Coher Facilities Maintenance General Maintenance	Unclassified: Patriotic Celebrations Patriotic Retirement Contribution New England Council Interest - Temporary Loans Care of Clock - Penacook Christmas Decorations

Debt Service: Payment on Bonds Interest on Bonds	94,200.00 15,434.00 109,634.00	(a)20,800.00 20,800.00		115,000.00 15,434.00 130,434.00	115,000.00 15,433.75 130,433.75	 <u>25.</u>
Capital Budget: T. R. A. Apportionment "A" Storm Sever Construction Other Highway Construction Sidewalk Construction City Hall & Auditorium Repairs Police Department Equipment Public Works Department Equipment Airport Land Purchase	2,700.00 10,080.00 11,930.00 3,520.00 5,000.00 8600.00 37,090.00	(a)3,149.51 (a) 569.20	300.00 - 1,000.00 - 300.00 - 277.00 - 250.00 - 1473.00	3,000.00 9,080.00 14,779.51 4,089.20 5,000.00 3,577.00 860.00 250.00 40,335.71	2,965.14 3,833.74 10,043.59 1,138.42 4,990.70 3,276.42 859.95 27,357.96	34.86 5,246.26 4,735.92 2,950.78 9.30 .58 .5
Total Municipal	1,494,006.00	73,176.75	:	1,567,182.75	1,496,069.71	71,113.04
Payments to Other Governmental Units:  County Tax Union School District - Operating Union School District - Bonds & Notes Union School District-Interest on Bonds & Notes.  Penacook School District	138,398.86 994,765.00 44,000.00 25,487.50 97,988.64 1,300,638.00	(b) 425,796.21 (a) 700.15 (b) 3,272.50 (b) 22,578.62 (c) 22,578.62	1,009.85	138,398.86 1,419,549.36 44,000.00 30,470.00 120,567.26 1,752,983.48	138,398.86 969,786.36 44,000.00 9,965.00 80,578.62 1,242,728.84	449,763.00  20,505.00 32,988.64 510,256.64#
Grand Total	2,794,644.00	525,524.23		3,320,168.23	2,738,798.55	581,369.68
(a) Expendable Income 73,768.86 (b) Brought forward from 1954 451,755.37 555,524.23		* Carried to 1956 (F) # Balance Carried to Total Carried to Lapsed to Surplus: From 1955 Budgefrom 1954 Budge	* Carried to 1956 (For Encumb.) # Balance Carried to 1956 Total Carried to 1956 Lapsed to Surplus: from 1955 Budget from 1954 Budget		70,967.88	145.16 510,256.64 510,401.80 70,267.88 581,369.68

## STATEMENT OF ASSESSMENTS

## SUMMARY OF VALUATIONS AND TAXES TO BE RAISED

Sate per \$1,000. 21ty Penacook 1,82 24,82 3,71 28.79 2.87 2.87 2.87 1,40 56.48	ment	328,783.87 1,165,222.13 33,286.05 1,198,508.18	2,502,357.01 5,976.87 1,358.53 24,072.00 2,533,764.41 268.00 2,534,093.19	(1,010)
- 10 W	Computation of Property Tax Requirement  for Municipal Purposes  1,322,282.00 25,000.00 109,634.00 37,090.00 1,49		Supplemental 764.48 77.00 148.00 989.48 60.78 268.00 1,318.26 440.55 440	1,3/5.00
44 10	Eation of Prope	ears ) nt ents Personal Prope	0riginal 2,501,592.53 5,899.87 1,358.53 21,532,774.93 2,532,774.93 76,200.00	76,200.00
Total 48,278,291.00 44,888,025.00 3,403,266.00 48,294,041.00	Computation for the following for the following for the forest forest for the forest fore	Deductions:	Summary of Warrants Submitted to Collector	
Net Assessible Valuation Penacook 3,399,366.00 http://doi.org/10.000/00.00000/00.00000/00.00000/00.00000/00.00000/00.0	Budget: Operat Concor Debt S Capita	Deductions: Surplus f Misc. Rev Poll Tax Bank Stoc Net Budge Add Reserve To Be Raise	Summary of Warrants Submi ty, School & County: Real & Personal Property Rational Bank Stock Timber Yield Folls Ford Current Year Levies Froperty - Prior Years Total Cirry, County & School ate Head Taxes: Current Year Levy Frobreat Levy Frobreat Levy Frobreat Levy Frobreat Levy Frobreat Levy Frobreat Levy	Total State Head Taxes
C1ty 44,878,925.00 44,888,025.00 	Total 10,062,452 31,672,868 1,820,970 2,026,580 45,582,870 4,062,616*	19, 645, 486 18, 278, 291 13,000 18, 291, 291 48, 278, 291 18, 291, 291 18, 294, 041	City, School & County: Real & Personal Prop National Bank Stock Timber Yield Polls Total Current Year Property - Prior Years Poolls - Prior Years Total City, County State Head Taxes: Current Year Levy Prior Year Levy	Total Stat
	OODS C1ty 9,552,632 509,820 29,369,638 2,303,230 1,571,150 249,820 1,924,500 102,920 42,417,920 3,164,990 3,635,590 427,026	753,510 3,591,976 74,585 192,610 78,020 3,399,306 88,025 3,493,266 718,925 3,399,366 15,750		
	llusti	0,64 1,44 1,44 1,44 1,44	1, 180.00 70,023.00 70,023.00 70,023.00 13,719.00 2,580.00 5,580.00 12,160.00 13,856.00 12,160.00 12,062,116.00	
Warrant For Municipal Purposes Union School District Penacook School District County Purposes	Land  Land  Buildings  Machinery  Other Real Estate  Personal Property	Total Real & Personal Property Less Exemptions (Veterans & Blind). Valuation for Municipal Warrant Add Prop. Subj. to School Tax Only Valuation for School Warrants Valuation for Municipal Warrant as Above Add Prop. Subj. to County Tax Only Valuation for County Warrant	*Personal Property:   Horses, Asses, & Mules     Uxen     Uxen     Cows	

### TRUST FUNDS

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BALANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1955

Other Non-City 2,961.73 20,491.45 5 2,961.73 20,491.45 629.97 20,181.45 629.97 20,000.85 53.26 30.00 629.75 629.97	15,253.31 16,882.37 83.26 685.73 32,900.01.63 18,434.76 4,550.49 513.76 1,185.13 24,634.14 479,145.48 134,289.73 3,475.49 21,676.58 638,587.28	Trust Sanitary Water Bond Funds Bond Funds Funds Sever Fund Fund Funds Solution 5,432.65 3,775.28 4,000.00 3,556.05 3,696.87	111,906,57 58,225.79 14,174,04 533,760.85 533,760.85 13,417.06
Principal Account  & Concord Gas Stock  JICOME ACCOUNT  y) Others	Direct Grants & Expenses Paid to Outside Parties	Savings Banks: Loan & Trust Savings Bank Merrimack County Savings Bank New Hampshire Savings Bank Union Trust Company Union Trust Company Union Trust Company	"G" Bills

### TAX ACCOUNTS

Year Ending December 31, 1955

### STATEMENT OF TAXES RECEIVABLE

STATEMENT OF I.	AVES RECETABLE		
Balance, January 1, 1955	1955 <u>Levy</u>	Prior Years 255,953.80	State Head Taxes 21.218.10
Real Estate & Personal Property National Bank Stock Tax Timber Severance Tax Poll Taxes	2,502,357.01 5,976.87 1,358.53 24,072.00	60.78	
Head Taxes	*2,533,764.L1	256,282.58	77,575.00 98,793.10
Accounted for as follows:  Collections to Treasurer (Net of Refunds). Authorized Abatements	2,276,365.57 10,068.71 247,330.13 2,533,764.41	233,288.47 20,097.33 #2,896.78 256,282.58	72,002,90 6,325,40 20,464,80 98,793,10
*Taken as Current Revenue	2,500,478.36 33,286.05 2,533,764.41		
#Age Analysis of Uncollected Taxes of Prior Y	ears		
	Property Taxes	Poll Taxes	Total
1948 1949 1950 1951 1952 1953 1954	89.43 77.79 95.81 300.83 318.25 382.03 309.66 1,573.80	30.08 36.00 39.60 38.20 256.00 550.00 373.10 1,322.98	119.51 113.79 135.41 339.03 574.25 932.03 682.76 2,896.78
STATEMENT OF TAX SA	LE ACCOUNTS		
Balance Unredeemed January 1, 1955: Levy of 1952 Levy of 1953 Levy of 195h (Tax Sale of 1955)		7,673.52 21,191.99	28.865.51 41.600.04 70,465.55
Accounted for as follows: Collections to Treasurer Authorized Abatements Deeded to City Total Credits Balance Unredeemed December 31, 1955		31.622.42 10.082.96 589.86	42.295.24 28,170.31 70.465.55

### SANITARY SEWER FUND

### BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1955

ASSETS			
Fixed Assets: Land and Rights of Way . Sewer Mains	1.	25,199.97 114,335.15	
Manholes		106,976.46	
Customer Connections		1,745.11	
Less: Reserve for Depreciation	1,	404,934.10 644.338.43	760,595.67
Prepaid Engineering Expenses			8,739.33
Current Assets:		0 21.7 02	
Due from General Fund		8,345.81 21,542.82	
Loan to Special Assessment Fund Total Assets		61,736.66	91,625.29
TOTAL ASSESS			
LIABILITIES AND FUNDS			
Current Liability:		מן לפס לס	
Share in Special Assessment		34,570.50	
Long Term Liabilities: Bonded Debt		40,000.00	
Share in Special Assessments		63,781.56	138,352.06
Fund Balance & Surplus:			
Municipal Investment		481,337.71 188,933.24	
Surplus - Balance January 1, 1955 49	8,101.38 4.235.90		
Net Profit for Year 1955	4,235.90	52,337.28	722,608.23
Total Liabilities, Surplus & Funds.			860,960.29
STATEMENT OF OPERATION	NS.		
STATEMENT OF OPERATION  Fiscal Year Ended December	<del></del>		
	31, 1955		
Fiscal Year Ended December OPERATING REVENUES Sewer Rents:	31, 1955	26 315 11	
Fiscal Year Ended December : OPERATING REVENUES	31, 1955	26,315.11 8,061.57	34, 376.68
Fiscal Year Ended December  OPERATING REVENUES  Sewer Rents: General	31, 1955		34, 376.68
Fiscal Year Ended December  OPERATING REVENUES  Sewer Rents: General	31, 1955		34, 376.68
Fiscal Year Ended December OPERATING REVENUES  Sewer Rents: General Industrial OPERATING EXPENSES  General Operation:	31, 1955		34, 376.68
Fiscal Year Ended December  OPERATING REVENUES  Sewer Rents: General Industrial  OPERATING EXPENSES  General Operation: Main & Manhole Oper, Labor & Expense House Connection Oper, Labor & Expense	9,249.76 2.666.05		34, 376.68
Fiscal Year Ended December  OPERATING REVENUES  Sewer Rents: General Industrial  OPERATING EXPENSES  General Operation: Main & Manhole Oper, Labor & Expense House Connection Oper, Labor & Expense Maintenance of Sewer Mains	9,249.76 2.666.05 1,432.36		34, 376.68
Fiscal Year Ended December  OPERATING REVENUES  Sewer Rents: General Industrial  OPERATING EXPENSES  General Operation: Main & Manhole Oper. Labor & Expense House Connection Oper. Labor & Expense	9,249.76 2.666.05		34, 376.68
Fiscal Year Ended December  OPERATING REVENUES  Sewer Rents: General Industrial  OPERATING EXPENSES  General Operation: Main & Manhole Oper, Labor & Expense House Connection Oper, Labor & Expense Maintenance of Sewer Mains Maintenance of Manholes	9,249.76 2.666.05 1,432.36 254.79	8,061.57	34, 376.68
Fiscal Year Ended December  OPERATING REVENUES  Sewer Rents: General Industrial  OPERATING EXPENSES  General Operation: Main & Manhole Oper, Labor & Expense House Connection Oper, Labor & Expense Maintenance of Sewer Mains Maintenance of Manholes Miscellaneous General Expense  Customers' Expense:  Meter Reading and Billing	9,249.76 2.666.05 1,432.36 254.79	8,061.57 13.662.52	34, 376.68
Fiscal Year Ended December  OPERATING REVENUES  Sewer Rents: General Industrial  OPERATING EXPENSES  General Operation: Main & Manhole Oper. Labor & Expense House Connection Oper. Labor & Expense Maintenance of Sewer Mains Maintenance of Manholes Miscellaneous General Expense  Customers' Expense:	9,249.76 2.666.05 1,432.36 254.79	8,061.57 13.662.52	34, 376.68
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Fiscal Year Ended December  OPERATING REVENUES  Sewer Rents: General Industrial  OPERATING EXPENSES  General Operation: Main & Manhole Oper. Labor & Expense House Connection Oper. Labor & Expense Maintenance of Sewer Mains Maintenance of Manholes Miscellaneous General Expense  Customers' Expense: Meter Reading and Billing  Administration: Employees' Retirement Fund	9,249.76 2.666.05 1,432.36 254.79	13.662.52 1,718.85 1,091.53	31,771.43 2,605.25
Fiscal Year Ended December  OPERATING REVENUES  Sewer Rents: General Industrial  OPERATING EXPENSES  General Operation: Main & Manhole Oper, Labor & Expense House Connection Oper, Labor & Expense Maintenance of Sewer Mains Maintenance of Manholes Miscellaneous General Expense  Customers' Expense: Meter Reading and Billing  Administration: Employees' Retirement Fund  Depreciation: Total Operating Expenses Operating Income:	9,249.76 2.666.05 1,432.36 254.79	13.662.52 1,718.85 1,091.53 15,298.53	
Fiscal Year Ended December  OPERATING REVENUES  Sewer Rents: General Industrial  OPERATING EXPENSES  General Operation: Main & Manhole Oper, Labor & Expense House Connection Oper, Labor & Expense Maintenance of Sewer Mains Maintenance of Manholes Miscellaneous General Expense  Customers' Expense: Meter Reading and Billing  Administration: Employees' Retirement Fund  Depreciation: Total Operating Expenses Operating Income: Interest on Investments	9,249.76 2.666.05 1,432.36 254.79	13.662.52 1,718.85 1,091.53	31,771.43 2,605.25 1,630.65
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### WATER FUND

### BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1955

### ASSETS

Fixed Assets, Net of Accrued Depreciation:  Water and Flowage Rights  Land  Structures  Pumping & Purification Equipment  Distrib. Mains, Services, Hydrants & Meters. Other Equipment & Garage Equipment  Total Fixed Assets		167.663.11 204.872.50 287,167.90 44,173.61 840,119.34 23,320.58	1,567,317.04
Bond Fund Assets:  Cash - First National Bank Investments Materials & Supplies Inventory Total Bond Fund Assets		660.03 11.700.00 18,805.67	31.165.70
Current Assets:  Due from General Fund Investments (See Schedule Page (7)) Loaned to Special Assessment Projects Materials & Supplies Inventory Contracts Receivable Total Current Assets  LIABILITIES AND	) FUNDS	67.382.53 13.µ17.06 26.935.00 75,369.85 319.26	183,423.70 1.781.906.44
Current Liability:			
Share in Special Assessments		13,114.02	
Long Term Liability: Bonded Debt		140,000.00	
Total Liabilities			153,114.02
Fund Balance and Surplus:  Municipal Investment  Contributions in Aid of Construction  Surplus - Balance January 1, 1955  Net Profit for the Year 1955	528,501.92 37,487.04	963,194.74 99,608.72 565,988.96	
Total Fund Balance and Surplus			1,628,792.42
Total Liabilities, Surplus & Funds			1.781.906.44

### BOND FUND-WATER-ISSUE OF 1949

### Disposition of Proceeds

Balance - January 1, 1955	12,360.03
Expenditures - 1955	-0-
Unexpended Balance December 31, 1955	12,360.03

### WATER FUND

### STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1955

### OPERATING REVENUES

Commercial Sales - Flat Rate		2,930.82 150,132.12 35,457.40 49.92 333.00	188,903.26
OPERATING	EXPENSES		
Water Supply: Source of Supply Labor Pumping Station Labor Purification Labor Miscellaneous Labor Cravity System Supplies & Expenses Pumping Station Supplies & Expenses Purification System Supplies & Expenses Fuel for Power Power Purchased Repairs to Pumping Station Str. & Equip. Repairs to Purification System Str. & Equip.	3,035.70 15,054.80 1,721.30 2,320.95 93.99 2,365.11 3,815.09 199.24 11,255.38 3,012.28 91.21	<b>42,965.0</b> 5	
Distribution:  Distribution Wages Meter Department Labor Meter Department Supplies & Expenses Other Distribution Supplies & Expenses Repairs to Distribution Structures Repairs to Mains Repairs to Services Repairs to Hydrants Repairs to Meters	19,729.74 4,217.89 25.41 1,284.82 506.61 2,152.76 2,408.20 681.76 1,914.97	32,922.16	
Administration:  Commercial Office Salaries Meter Reading Salaries & Expenses Commercial Supplies & Expenses Salaries of Ceneral Officers Salaries of General Office Clerks General Office Expenses Repairs to Gen. Office Structures & Equip. Other General Expenses Insurance Stationery & Printing Longevity, Annual & Sick Leaves Retirement Fund Fayments Stores Department & Shop Expense Garage Expense	2,052.32 5,239.50 385.7h 5,930.00 3,200.00 379.31 61.65 310.58 2,351.33 35.00 10,095.60 6,542.56 299.98 1,630.33	38,493.90	
Fixed Charges:  Depreciation Taxes Interest	37,065.72 29.60 2,537.50	39,632.82	
Total Operating Expenses Operating Income			154,013.93 34,889.33
Non-Operating Income:  Gain on Sale of Depreciated Assets Interest on Investments Other Interest Income Miscellaneous Total Non-Operating Income  Net Profit for the Year		1,276.73 681.04 6.54 633.10	2,597.71 37,487.04
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### PARKING METER FUND

### BALANCE SHEET

### December 31, 1955

Assets:  Due from General Fund  Bond Requirements		25,463.73 160,000.00	<u>185.463.73</u>
Liabilities:  Bonded Debt Unappropriated Surplus		160,000.00 25,463.73	185,463.73
STATEMENT OF REVENUES &	EXPENDITURES		
For the Year Ending Dec	ember 31, 1955		
Cash Balance - January 1, 1955		18,457.91	
Revenues:  Meter Collections - Street Parking Meter Collections - Off-Street Parking	51,225.74 9,715.09	60,940.83	
Total Available			79.398.74
Current Expenditures: Salaries: Meter Repairs Collections Enforcement Marking Streets Supplies: Meter Repair Parts Other Meter Supplies Enforcement Marking Streets Retirement Constributions Taxes, Insurance, Etc. Lighting Parking Area Maintenance Meter Overhauling Total Current Expenditures Debt Service: Payment on Bonds Interest on Bonds Capital Outlay: Purchase & Construction of Parking Areas  * Total Expenditures  Cash Balance December 31, 1955	163.77 569.11 16,852.34 199.61 189.97 66.13 294.31 1,189.98	17,784.83  1,740.39 995.49 1,102.77 1,525.63 645.22 1,500.00 25,294.33  22,550.00 6,090.68	53,935.01 25,463.73
* Street Parking	19,182.69 34,752.32 53,935.01		25,403,73
	22,732.01		

### PARKING METER FUND

### COMBINED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES FOR PARKING AREAS

		Expended	
	Total Expended	1955 from	Total
	Prior Years	Curr.Funds	Expended
No. State Street Lot	140,531.35		140.531.35
Freight Street Lot	118,765.84	9.34	118,775.18
Low Avenue Lot	7,348.84		7,348.84
Ford Avenue Lot	21,945.91	6,081.34	28,027.25
Railroad Square Area	36,198.80		36,198.80
	324.790.74	* 6.090.68	330.881.42

See Statement of Expenditures on Opposite Page.

### BOND FUND - GENERAL - ISSUE OF 1953

### DISPOSITION OF PROCEEDS

For the Year Ending December 31, 1955

Balance January 1, 1955			90,897.30
Expenditures: Highway Construction: Main Street Concord-Boscawen Bridge Boudreau Square Storm Sewer Construction Public Works-Building Modifications Recreational Facilities New Equipment Fire Department Public Works Department	1.952.50	63,199.99 3,893.92 105,00 893.06	
Total Expenditures			75.467.06
Balance December 31, 1955			15,430.24

### **EQUIPMENT AND STORES FUND**

BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1955

### Assets

Due from General Fund Materials & Supplies Inventory Equipment Total Assets	51,422.81 25,335.39 299,989.85	<u>376,748.05</u>	
Liabilities & Funds			
Municipal Investment	329,414.09 45,599.59 1,734.37	<u>376.<b>7</b></u> <u>48.05</u>	
OPERATING STA	TEMENT		
For Year Ending Dece	mber 31, 1955		
Equipment Earnings			134.749.72
Operating Expenses:     Direct Labor. Indirect Labor Leaves & Longevity Outside Services (Building Repair) Gas, Oil & Parts Grease & Lubricants Small Tools & Supplies Fuel & Utilities Insurance Employees Retirement Contribution Depreciation on Equipment  Net Profit for Period	19,131.41 12,769.14 2,516.40 3,747.75 41,800.16 674.17 2,139.01 3,631.48 4,832.53 2,158.92	93,400.97 38,137.03	131.538.00 3,211.72
DETAIL OF EQUIPMENT PURCHASES			
l Worthington Compressor l Ford 5 Ton Truck l Rex Pump l Ford Country Sedan l Caterpillar Tractor - Bulldozer l Cabb Sidewalk Roller 2 70" Locke Power Mowers 3 21" Jacobsen Power Mowers 1 21" Toro Fower Mower l Side-Mounted Mower for Tractor  Less Equipment Sold Net Expended from Reserve Fund		2,478.91 4.877.70 396.89 996.00 15.725.00 491.00 1.456.77 304.29 330.75 279.30	27,339.61 1,926.00 25,413.61

### SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FUND

### BALANCE SHEET - DECEMBER 31, 1955

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Cash for Construction	13,114.02 98,352.06	42.659.69 68,132.00 33,232.38 111,466.08	<u>255,490.15</u>
Vouchers Payable Contracts Payable Reserve for Authorized Improvements Long Term Debt Bonds Payable Loan payable to Water Fund	140,000.00 26,935.00	7,926.58 1,981.65 16,485.22	
Loan payable to Sanitary Sewer Fund Surplus	61,736.66	228,671.66 <u>425.04</u>	255,490.15
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS &	EXPENDITURES		
Cash Balance January 1, 1955			12,749.13
Receipts: Cash Advanced by Water Fund Cash Advanced by Sanitary Sewer Fund Proceeds of Bond Issue Total Available		5,780.00 67,150.00 140,425.04	213,355.04
Expenditures:			220,104,17
Water Main Extensions River Road Abbott Road Manchester St. & Airport Road Christian Avenue Pleasant View Avenue Abbott Road (2nd Project) Sanitary Sewer Extensions Auburn Street Christian Ave. & East Side Drive West End (to Vicinity of Hospital) Pleasant View Avenue	7,807.71 2,607.12 51,646.78 2,962.12 2,156.20 2,289.03 8,634.02 43,420.50 69,636.59 2,192.64	69,468.96	193,352,71
Unexpended Balance Cash on Hand Less Vouchers & Contracts Payable		42,659.69 9,908.23	32,751.46

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