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## CHURCH HILL 1968

The painting on the cover was intended by the artist to represent some of the Americana of Main Street.

The Community Church was built in 1848 at a cost of \$3,325 which was raised by the sale of the pews. At this time the pastor was the Reverend Alvan Tobey who served for 40 years — the longest term by any pastor of this church. In 1851 an organ was added at a cost of \$500.

Coming down the "hill" the next structure is Red Tower built about the middle of the eighteenth century by the Reverend John Blydenburgh and later owned by his daughter, Miss Margaret, who died unmarried. Mary Smith acquired the property later and in 1895 she sold it to her very learned engineer-nephew, Hamilton Smith, who remodelled it and increased its size.

The Findell house at one time was occupied by Joseph and Mary Gilman Page where Mary was postmistress from 1849 to 1853 — and where she lived until her death in 1882. The post office was in the west front room.

The Runlett House was owned by Mehitabel Sheafe Smith (1766-1843), wife of the Honorable Ebenezer Smith (1758-1831). From March 20, 1899 to November 1907 the postmaster was George Stevens who used the west front room for the post office while his family occupied the rest of the

house. At one time this building was owned by Mary Pickering Thompson. It was here that she wrote "Landmarks in Ancient Dover" along with other historical and genealogical material.

The next small building was Durham's first post office building. It was built in 1907 by one Lucien Thompson, a trustee of the New Hampshire College of Agriculture and the Mechanic Arts, who was born in the "bee-hive" on Madbury Road. Mr. Thompson rented this building to the United States Government for use as a post office.

The structure in the foreground was built at about the turn of this century and originally was a meat market which during the hunting season would proudly display the carcasses of deer on both sides of the front entrance. It ran the gamut of being a barber shop, restaurant, haberdashery and Durham's first bowling alley.

On the opposite side of the street is the Parker house said to have been built in 1735 by one Nathaniel Hill who sold it to the Layn family in 1763. Other owners were James Drisco a Portsmouth mariner, Stephen Cogan and William Ballard (1787 to 1811). The Honorable Valentine Smith bought the house at auction in 1814 and willed it to his son, the Honorable Joshua Ballard Smith, and to his daughter, Mary E. Smith.

*R. S. Harmon*

# Durham, New Hampshire

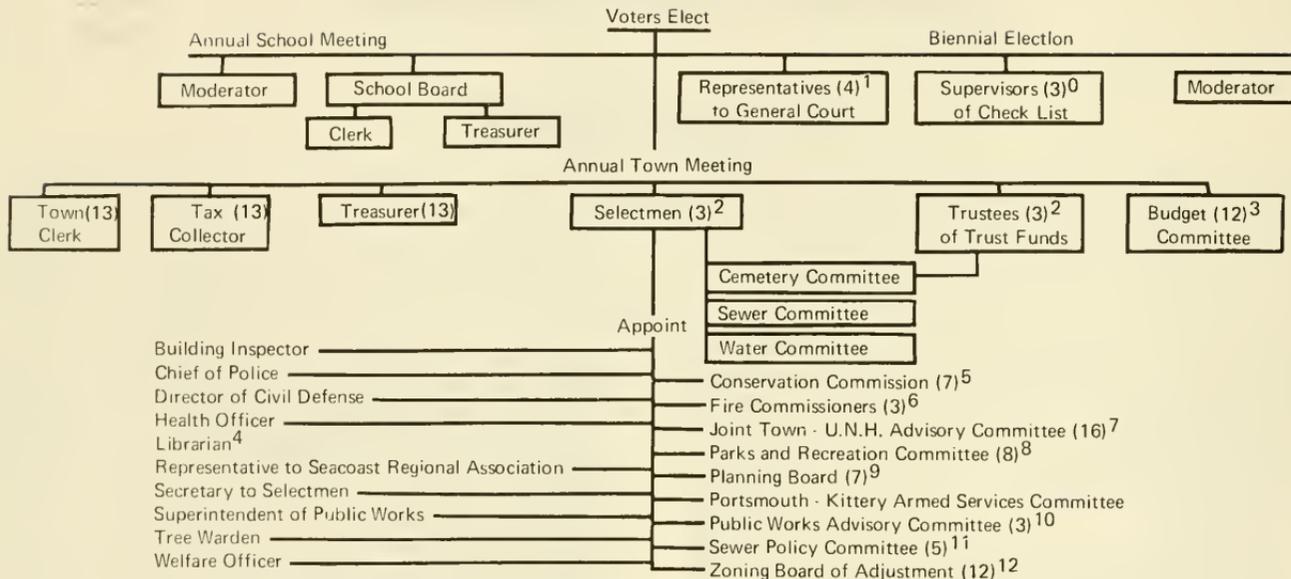
## Annual Report

### 1968

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# Government in Durham



0. 1 elected at each biannual election for 6-year term.

1. Lee and Durham compose District No. 4.

2. 3-year term; one elected annually. (in 1969 Board increased to 5 members, election as term expires)

3. 3-year term; 4 elected annually.

4. U.N.H. librarian is also Town librarian.

5. 3-year term; 2 appointed annually, one additional triennially.

6. One appointed by selectmen, one by U.N.H. These 2 select a third.

7. 8 members represent Town, 8 U.N.H. On committee by virtue of their positions.

8. Members appointed by selectmen or chosen by interested organizations to represent their interests.

9. 5-year term for 6 appointed members; one appointed annually, 2 when 2 terms expire. A selectman is also a voting member.

10. 3-year term; one appointed annually.

11. 5-year term; one appointed annually; 2 represent Town, 2 U.N.H. These 4 appoint the fifth.

12. 5-year term; one appointed annually.

13. Starting in 1969 election of Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Treasurer; for 3-year term.

# Town Officers and Committees

|  | Expiration<br>of Term |                                       | Expiration<br>of Term |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Selectmen</i>   |                       |                                       |                       |
| James C. Chamberlin, Chairman                                | 1969                  | <i>Chief of Police</i>                |                       |
| Henry A. Davis   | 1970                  | Ray I. Burrows                        |                       |
| Donald M. Summer, Secretary                                  | 1971                  | <i>Budget Committee</i>               |                       |
| <i>Town Clerk</i>  |                       |                                       |                       |
| Phyllis Poland   |                       | Rebecca B. W. Long                    | 1969                  |
| <i>Tax Collector</i>   |                       |                                       |                       |
| Phyllis Poland   |                       | Paul E. Schaefer                      | 1969                  |
| <i>Treasurer</i>   |                       |                                       |                       |
| Margaret Christensen   |                       | Manley R. Irwin                       | 1969                  |
| <i>Moderator</i>   |                       |                                       |                       |
| Francis E. Robinson  |                       | Silas B. Weeks                        | 1969                  |
| <i>Representatives to the General Court (District No. 4)</i> |                       |                                       |                       |
| Shirley M. Clark, Lee  |                       | Thelma Brackett                       | 1970                  |
| Alexander Cochrane   |                       | Malcolm J. Chase                      | 1970                  |
| Wayne Shirley  |                       | Lewis Newsky                          | 1970                  |
| Loring V. Tirrell  |                       | Judy L. Simpson                       | 1970                  |
| <i>Supervisors of the Checklist</i>                          |                       |                                       |                       |
| Daniel C. Ninde  | 1970                  | M. Rae Borrer                         | 1971                  |
| Chester H. Tecce   | 1972                  | Carleton Meader, Chairman             | 1971                  |
| Ralph E. Carlson   | 1974                  | Harold D. Moran                       | 1971                  |
| <i>Trustees of Trust Funds</i>                               |                       |                                       |                       |
| Bradford M. Kingman  | 1969                  | Paul A. Binette                       | 1971                  |
| Malcolm J. Chase   | 1970                  | <i>Director of Civil Defense</i>      |                       |
| Francis E. Robinson  | 1971                  | Robert N. Gillis                      |                       |
| <i>Cemetery Committee</i>                                    |                       |                                       |                       |
| Board of Selectmen   |                       | Persis Plaisted, Codirector           |                       |
| Turstees of Trust Funds                                      |                       | <i>Health Officer</i>                 |                       |
| <i>Building Inspector</i>                                    |                       |                                       |                       |
| Harry M. Fitz  |                       | Lawrence W. Slanetz                   |                       |
|  |                       | - April 15, 1971                      |                       |
|  |                       | <i>Keeper of the Swans</i>            |                       |
|  |                       | Lorus & Marjory Milne                 |                       |
|  |                       | <i>Librarian</i>                      |                       |
|  |                       | Donald E. Vincent                     |                       |
|  |                       | <i>Superintendent of Public Works</i> |                       |
|  |                       | Robert N. Gillis                      |                       |
|  |                       | <i>Tree Warden</i>                    |                       |
|  |                       | Harold W. Hocker                      |                       |
|  |                       | <i>Welfare Officer</i>                |                       |
|  |                       | Ursula Bowring                        |                       |

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*Conservation Commission*

|                         |      |
|-------------------------|------|
| Donald M. Sumner        | 1969 |
| Oliver Wallace          | 1969 |
| Kenneth Barraclough     | 1970 |
| Arthur Borrer, Chairman | 1970 |
| Jeannette Congdon       | 1971 |
| Lathrop Merrick         | 1971 |
| Philip Sawyer           | 1971 |

*Fire Chief and Fire Warden*

John F. Donovan

*Fire Commissioners*

|                   |      |
|-------------------|------|
| Norman W. Stiles  | 1969 |
| Eugene H. Leaver  | 1970 |
| L. Franklin Heald | 1971 |

*Joint Town - University Advisory Committee*

| Town                          | University          |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| James C. Chamberlin, Chairman | Jere A. Chase       |
| Malcolm J. Chase              | Charles O. Dawson   |
| Henry A. Davis, Secretary     | C. Robert Keesey    |
| Howard Forrest                | Harold Langley, Jr. |
| T. Ralph Meyers               | Eugene H. Leaver    |
| Lawrence W. Slanetz           | John W. McConnell   |
| Donald M. Sumner              | Norman W. Meyers    |
| Alden Winn                    | Silas Weeks         |

*Parks and Recreation Committee*

|   |      |
|---|------|
| Mrs. Lathrop Merrick, rep. Garden Club      | 1969 |
| Mrs. Blanche Neuhoff, rep. Women's Club     | 1969 |
| Donald M. Sumner, rep. Selectmen            | 1969 |
| Charles K. Taft, rep. Boy Scouts            | 1970 |
| Maryanna Hatch, rep. Planning Board         | 1970 |
| Bradford Kingman, rep. Selectmen            | 1970 |
| Arthur Borrer, rep. Conservation Commission | 1971 |
| Mrs. Albert Addison, rep. Girl Scouts       | 1971 |
| Malcolm J. Chase, rep. Selectmen, Chairman  | 1971 |

*Planning Board*

|  |      |
|--|------|
| Richard Bernard, Resigned                |      |
| Frederick I. Wakefield, to complete term | 1969 |
| Owen Durgin                              | 1969 |
| John B. Hraba                            | 1970 |
| Alden Winn, Chairman                     | 1971 |
| Maryanna Hatch                           | 1972 |
| Marion Fogg                              | 1973 |

*Portsmouth-Kittery Armed Services Committee*

Robert Ture

*Public Works Advisory Committee*

|                  |      |
|------------------|------|
| Howard Forrest   | 1969 |
| T. Ralph Meyers  | 1970 |
| Malcolm J. Chase | 1971 |

*Sewer Policy Committee*

|                                   |      |
|-----------------------------------|------|
| Herbert E. Kimball (University)   | 1969 |
| T. Ralph Meyers (Town) — Chairman | 1970 |
| Malcolm J. Chase (Town)           | 1971 |
| Eugene H. Leaver (University)     | 1972 |
| Henry A. Davis (Town)             | 1973 |

*Zoning Board of Adjustment*

|                            |      |
|----------------------------|------|
| Loring V. Tirrell          | 1969 |
| John Belcher               | 1970 |
| Richard Ringrose           | 1971 |
| Norman W. Stiles, Chairman | 1974 |
| Richard M. Fitz            | 1975 |

*District Court*

|   |
|---|
| Bradford W. McIntyre, Justice           |
| Joseph E. Michael, Jr., Special Justice |
| Beverly R. Burrows, Clerk               |

*Representative to Seacoast Regional Association*

L. Franklin Heald

# Minutes of Town Meeting

## March 12, 1968

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Moderator Francis Robinson who read Articles 1 through 6 of the 1968 Town warrant. Moved by Joseph Michael and seconded by Rebecca Long that voting proceed on Articles 1 through 6, and that further reading of the warrant be postponed until 7:00 p.m. Motion carried. All election officials were sworn in by the Moderator and voting opened at 10:05 a.m. Results of balloting on Articles 1 through 6:

### Article 1. (Town Officers)

|                        |                         |      |     |
|------------------------|-------------------------|------|-----|
| Selectman              | Donald M. Sumner        | 1084 |     |
| Town Clerk             | Phyllis Poland          | 1191 |     |
| Treasurer              | Forrest H. Smart        | 600  |     |
|                        | Margaret Christensen    | 602  |     |
| Tax Collector          | Phyllis Poland          | 1170 |     |
| Trustee of Trust Funds | Francis E. Robinson     | 1124 |     |
| Budget Committee       | Carleton E. Meader, Jr. | 914  |     |
|                        | Harold D. Moran         | 915  |     |
|                        | Paul A. Binette         | 687  |     |
|                        | M. Rae Borrer           | 806  |     |
|                        | C. H. Mullins           | 683  |     |
|                        |                         | NO   | YES |

Article 2. (To increase number of Selectmen) 393 879

Article 3. (Three year term for Town Clerk) 147 1098

Article 4. (Three year term for Treasurer) 162 1091

Article 5. (Three year term for Tax Collector) 160 1077

Article 6. (Amendment to Zoning Ordinance – Signs) 163 1017

Total ballots cast: 1328

The Moderator suspended voting on Articles 1 through 6 at 7:00 p.m. and announced that balloting would be resumed after consideration of Articles 7 through 23 until all who wished to vote had the opportunity to do so. Approximately 600 persons attended the meeting.

Moderator Robinson announced that before considering further business he would like to commend the Local Government Study Committee on behalf of the Town of Durham for the fine work they had done in preparing a report on the government of the Town. He then read the following letter, addressed to him:

February 29, 1968

Dear Mr. Robinson:

The members of the town government study committee wish to thank the town for the opportunity to spend a year studying governmental achievements and problems of Durham.



*This was Durham's post office from 1907 until about 1923. It was located between the Runlett house at left and the building at right which now houses Pat Pourri. It was built by Lucien Thompson especially for lease to the post office which wanted to have its own building, as the young college began to grow, rather than a room in the Runlett house where it was located prior to 1907.*

We were especially fortunate in the choice of Dr. Arthur S. Adams as chairman of the committee. Serving with him has been a rewarding experience for each of us. Dr. Adams' wise and gracious leadership has been deeply appreciated by the committee and, we are sure, by the Town of Durham.

/s/ The Town Government Study Committee  
L. Franklin Heald, Paul E. Schaefer, Lawrence  
W. O'Connell, Rebecca B.W. Long, Norman W.  
Stiles, Marion Fogg, Rae Borrer, Henry A. Davis,  
Maryanna Hatch, Lathrop B. Merrick

The Moderator then called for a rising vote of appreciation for Mr. Wallis S. Rand, who in 1968 completes 30 years of service to the Town as a Supervisor of the Checklist.

*Article 7.* Moved by Thelma Brackett, seconded by several, that the vital statistics of the Town be published in the Annual Report regularly. Miss Brackett, in answer to a question by Philip Sawyer, stated that publication would be valuable for genealogical purposes in the future. Motion carried.

*Article 8.* Moved by Henry A. Davis, seconded by several. In response to a question, Mr. Davis explained the purpose of the Article is to clarify terms of service and composition of the Parks and Recreation Committee. Motion carried.

*Article 9.* Robert Steiner, moved, Carol Mullins and Malcolm Chase seconded, that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept ownership for the Town of Lot No. 55, Woodridge Subdivision, as proposed by Mr. Walter Cheney to be used as a recreational area for the community. Motion carried.

*Article 10.* Moved by Carol Mullins, and duly seconded, that the voters direct the Selectmen to prepare and enforce by March 1969, a merit system covering all Town employees. Mr. Mullins explained, in answer to a question by James Chamberlin, that the petitioners for this article felt there was a need to clarify standards and qualifications for existing jobs. Mr. Chamberlin felt that the reasons for this motion were not clear. Donald Sumner explained the present system and stated his opinion that it is essentially the same as called for by the Article. Motion lost.

*Article 11.* Moved by Donald Sumner, seconded by Gerald Smith. Mr. Sumner explained that this article must be in the warrant each year to enable the Selectmen to dispose of property obtained by the Town by tax lien. An amendment was offered by Carol Mullins to delete the last seventeen (17) words and to add "by public auction." Joseph Michael cited State law and explained that the amendment would not affect the law. Moderator Robinson read RSA 80:42, the law under discussion. The right of a property owner to redeem within two years property sold at tax sale was explained by Mr. Michael. By vote, the amendment lost, and the motion carried.

*Article 12.* Moved by Robert Steiner, seconded by several. It was explained that no funds had been budgeted for this because the bridge is owned by the Boston & Maine Railroad. Motion carried.

*Article 13.* Moved by Henry A. Davis, seconded by several, that, the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow necessary money in anticipation of taxes. Carried.

*Article 14.* Moved by James Chamberlin, seconded by Joseph Michael, that the Town authorize purchase of land and buildings at 29 Main Street for Town office facilities. Mr. Chamberlin gave the assessed valuation as \$23,800 and cited examples of property sales at prices far above assessed valuation. In answer to a question by Mr. Duggan, Durham's system of appraisal was explained. Melville Nielson asked what was planned for the present Town Hall if 29 Main Street were purchased. Mr. Chamberlin said no detailed plans had yet been made. A discussion comparing square footage, room sizes, parking space and maintenance costs of both buildings followed. Alden Winn spoke for the Planning Board, stating that the Planning Board did not recommend but did not oppose purchase of the property. Carleton Meader, Chairman of the Budget Committee, said the Committee had taken the same stand as the Planning Board. Daniel Ninde advocated use of the present Court Room for expansion. Carol Mullins spoke for a new location and building. Calls for the question were seconded by many, and carried. Voting by ballot proceeded. A Total of 499 ballots were cast: Yes: 88 No: 360. Motion lost.

Malcolm Chase moved that the Town vote to establish a committee of five (5) members to investigate the various possibilities for adequate

Town offices, to report in detail at the next Town Meeting, with recommendations for action; the Committee to be appointed by the Moderator and to include in its membership a representative of the Selectmen, the Planning Board, and the Public Works Advisory Committee. Seconded by Mrs. Hatch and others. Motion carried.

*Article 15.* Adoption moved by Clifford Parker, seconded by Owen Durgin. Harold Leavitt moved to correct the article as offered by changing the wording from "Woodman Avenue" to "Woodman Road." Correction adopted. Patricia Herbst spoke on reason for specification of "east side of Dennison Road" in the article. Ralph Craig, Jr. moved to omit part one of the article; seconded by several. Amendment carried. After extensive discussion of part four of the article, a vote was taken and the article as amended carried.

*Article 16.* Moved by Henry Davis, seconded by Malcolm Chase, that the Town authorize the Selectmen to contract for necessary work on the College Brook sewer line below Randall Hall. Arthur Adams questioned the sum of the appropriation being the same as the cost even though the expense is to be shared with the University; Ralph Smallidge questioned the payment plan. Mr. Davis replied to both questions. A motion to proceed with voting on the article carried. 323 ballots were cast; No: 39; Yes: 284. Motion carried. (Voting by ballot.)

*Article 17.* Moved by Arthur Adams, seconded by Thelma Brackett, that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to extend the time required for reassessment and reschedule for completion in 1969. Motion carried.

*Article 18.* Moved by L. Franklin Heald, seconded by Robert Steiner, that the Town raise \$2,000 for use of the McGregor Memorial Committee in purchasing and equipping an ambulance. Mr. Heald spoke to the article and it carried.

*Article 19.* Robert Steiner moved, Harold Wochholz seconded, that the Town raise and appropriate \$2,500 for mosquito control. Audrey Sylvester asked for clarification of meaning of wording "safe and sane" in the article. Mr. Steiner replied that the phrase was in connection with safety of birds and other wildlife. There was much discussion on this article concerning feasibility, health, ecology, limitations, and personal experience. Finally the question was called for and supported. A voice

vote defeated the article, but was challenged. The Moderator called for a standing vote and the count was: For – 118, Against – 192. Motion lost.

*Article 20.* Moved by Thomas Dudley, seconded by Paul Bruns, that the Town authorize the Selectmen to retain, for \$550 annually, necessary legal counsel, to protect the interests of the Town and to serve various Town committees and departments. James Chamberlin stated that the Selectmen feel the Town should be free to call on different attorneys for cases in various matters. Judy Simpson spoke for retaining general counsel. Discussion was followed by a call for the question. Motion lost.

*Article 21.* Moved by Carleton Meader, Jr. and seconded by Harold Leavitt, that the Town raise and appropriate approximately \$45,000 to defray its share of the cost of Strafford County Government. Motion carried.

*Article 22.* Mr. Meader offered an amendment to Article 22, changing the total amount of the budget from \$591,454.83 to \$578,454.83 and changing the amount to be raised by taxes from \$246,759.32 to \$233,759.32. Seconded by Malcolm Chase. Amendment carried.

Joseph Michael moved that the budget be reduced by the amount of \$675.00, said sum to be taken from the item entitled "Municipal & District Court Expenses," and asked to speak to the motion if it were seconded. Seconded by L. Franklin Heald. Mr. Michael then read the following statement: "As you may or may not be aware, the salary of the Special Justice is set by State statute only to the extent that a minimum salary is stated and any amount of compensation above that amount must be at the recommendation of the Board of Selectmen with the concurrence of the Budget Committee. This year the Selectmen and the Budget Committee increased the minimum salary by the amount of \$675.00. I appreciate the confidence and recognition for service to the community which I am able to contribute in this small way. However, I have always considered this job as one means of contributing of my time and talent to the community in which I live. There are many people in this community who serve for less or no monetary compensation, and because of their efforts this has been a better town for us all to live in. I have regarded my contribution in the same light, and would feel a great deal better about this, as I enter my fifteenth year as

Special Justice serving you, the people of this community. I would certainly consider it a generous favor if you would vote this motion unanimsously, and without debate." Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Chamberlin moved to amend the budget by increasing the amount appropriated for legal fees from \$2,000 to \$9,000 to cover legal fees in the case of Madbury and Lee vs. Durham. Seconded by Harold Wochholz. Amendment carried.

Mr. Davis moved to amend the budget by increasing the appropriation for special police officers from \$1,500 to \$1,820 to pay for a school crossing guard. Seconded by Mr. Chamberlin. Amendment carried.

Mr. Chamberlin moved to reduce to appropriation for highway salt in the amount of \$1,500. Seconded by several. Amendment carried.

There being no further amendments offered, Mr. Meader gave the final adjusted totals of the budqet as follows: \$583,599.83 total, and the amount to be reaised by taxes, \$238,904.32. Article 22, as amended, carried.

*Article 23.* James Horrigan requested that Article 5 of the 1966 Town Warrant regarding the use of firearms be placed on the table at this time. It was ruled by the Moderator that this could not be taken up because no mention of it appeared in the warrant.

Rebecca Long moved that Miss Thelma Brackett be given a standing vote of thanks for her work on the 1967 Town Report. Seconded by several and adopted unanimously.

Moved by Robert Steiner, seconded by several, that a committee of five (5) members be appointed by the Selectmen to study the problem of mosquito control. A voice vote did not prove conclusive; a show of hands resulted in Yes votes - 92; no votes - 52. Motion carried.

Michael Duggan made a motion for reassessment, but withdrew it.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the Moderator declared the polls open for further voting. Voting continued until 10:56 p.m., at which time the meeting adjourned. All those who would serve as ballot counters were sworn by the Moderator.

Following the counting of the ballots the Moderator administered the oath of Office to Phyllis Poland, having been elected Town Clerk and

Tax Collector. Mrs. Poland gave the oath of office to Donald M. Sumner, having been elected Selectman.

*Phyllis Poland, Town Clerk*

*ADDENDUM:* On March 23, 1968, a request was received from Forrest H. Smart for a recount of the ballots cast for all persons for the office of Town Treasurer, the opposing candidates for said office being Forrest H. Smart and Margaret Christensen. The recount was held in the District Court Room at the Town Hall on March 30, 1968, The Moderator presided; counting was done by the Selectmen and the Town Clerk in the presence of Elizabeth Smart, representing Forrest H. Smart. The Result of the recount was as follows:

|                      |     |
|----------------------|-----|
| Forrest H. Smart     | 598 |
| Margaret Christensen | 605 |
| John Sakowski        | 1   |
| George Frick         | 1   |

The Moderator declared the recount confirmed the election of Margaret Christensen to the office of Town Treasurer.

*Phyllis Poland, Town Clerk*



*They were speeding on the Newmarket Road even in the 1912 era. This is the intersection with the Durham Point Road. The house at left is now the home of Silas B. Weeks. The one adjacent was soon moved across the street to the left and is now the home of L. Franklin Heald. The large barn eventually was torn down, but the one at the right of it was moved to the present George F. Sawyer property and it is still in use as a cabin.*

## 1969 Town Warrant

*To the inhabitants of the Town of Durham, County of Strafford, State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in town affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Oyster River Cooperative High School Gymnasium, Durham, New Hampshire, on Tuesday the eleventh day of March, 1969 A.D., at 4:00 in the afternoon to act on the following articles. (NOTE: Voting by ballot on Articles 1 and 2 will begin at 4:00 p.m. Action on the remainder of the warrant will be postponed until 7:00 p.m. Balloting will be suspended during consideration of other articles under discussion, and will resume thereafter until the meeting is officially adjourned. Election officials urge voters to cast their ballots before the 7:00 p.m. meeting so that the meeting may be adjourned and the counting of the ballots completed without delay.)

1. To choose two (2) Selectmen for a term of three (3) years, one Selectman for a term of one (1) year, a Town Clerk, a Collector of Taxes, and a Town Treasurer, each for a term of three (3) years, a Trustee of Trust Funds for a term of three (3) years, four (4) members of the Budget Committee for terms of three (3) years, and all elective officers for the ensuing year. (*Ballot*) (NOTE: Action under this article will increase the number of Selectmen from 3 to 5 and the term of office of the Town Clerk, Tax Collector and Town Treasurer from one year to 3 years as voted by the 1968 Town Meeting.)

2. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the "Revised Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Durham, New Hampshire" as proposed by the Planning Board. (*Ballot*)

3. To see if the Town will vote to become a member of a regional planning agency. This agency will have membership of at least two of the municipalities in the area. The objective of this agency will be to plan for and encourage regional planning analysis, provide consensus on major problems of regional

concern, and to assist in the effectuation of projects which extend beyond the boundaries of a particular town.

The agency will have no jurisdiction over any matter of local affairs. It will be primarily advisory. Two members of the regional planning agency shall be from Durham, to be appointed by the Selectmen. (Recommended by the Planning Board.)

4. To see if the Town will vote to establish cooperative arrangements with the Towns of Lee and Madbury for the management and control of a recreation area in the Towns of Durham and Madbury, as provided under RSA 31:50a – New, cooperative Arrangements Between Towns – and further to authorize the Durham Parks and Recreation Committee to represent the Town in the joint cooperative arrangements. (Recommended by the Parks and Recreation Committee.)

5. To see if the Town will approve the appointment of a committee to consider the general recommendation of the Town Comprehensive Plan for establishing an Historic District running from Main Street in the approximate vicinity of the post office out Newmarket Road to the approximate vicinity of Laurel Lane.

Said committee should report their findings to the Durham Planning Board not later than November 1, 1969.

Said committee to be appointed by the moderator and should consist of a representative of the selectmen, a representative of the Planning Board, a representative of the Durham Historic Association, an architect, and not more than three property owners from within the general area.

(Petitioned by the following 18 legal voters; Silas B. Weeks, George E. Frick, Louise E. Weeks, Charles H. Leighton, Janice Leighton, Keith Polk, Marie Polk, George F. Sawyer, Isabelle D. Sawyer, Nicholas Engalichev, William F. Henry, Clifford S. Parker, Mary L. Parker, Mary Jane Hall, Edna H. Hersey, Sherburne H. Fogg, R.N. Faiman, Philip A. Wilcox.)

6. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen and Trustees of Trust Funds to accept approximately 12,000 square feet of land adjacent to the Smith Chapel grounds

from Mr. and Mrs. Gardner I. Hinckley and to deed to Mr. and Mrs. Hinckley an equal amount of land now held by the Town in return for the mutual convenience of the Town and the Hinckleys. (Recommended by the Trustees of Trust Funds.)

7. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to acquire and dispose of such property as may be required in the area of Rosemary Lane, Ballard Street and Main Street in order to widen Rosemary Lane and extend same in a westerly direction to intersect Main Street. The necessary funds for construction purposes are included in the Public Works budget.

8. To see if the Town will authorize the moderator to appoint a committee of five, including representatives of the Planning Board and the Parks and Recreation Commission, and the tree warden, to formulate a long-range program for plantings in public areas, for the beautification of the entire Town, including its parking lots and approaches.

(Petitioned by the following 10 legal voters: Paul E. Schaefer, Rebecca B. W. Long, Judy L. Simpson, Maryanna Hatch, Joseph A. Horn, Silas B. Weeks, Ruth S. Dalton, Ruth E. Moses, Margaret Owen, Thelma Brackett.)

9. We, the undersigned, registered voters good and true of the Town of Durham, request that the following article be included in the Town Warrant for consideration at the 1969 Town Meeting:

WHEREAS, the Old Mill Pond has become a favorite place for skaters, young and old, of the Town of Durham, that the Town henceforth accept the responsibility for keeping said pond clear of snow insofar as is consistent with safety and good reason during the period from December 1 to March 15. (Petitioned by the following 10 legal voters: Charles A. Jellison, Phyllis Jellison, Minnie E. Murray, Donald M. Murray, E. L. Chupp, Mary M. Chupp, David M. Burton, Judy L. Simpson, Virginia L. Carlson, Anne H. Melvin.)

10. In view of the facts that the amount of traffic along the route joining Newmarket Road and Mill Road, by way of Mill Pond Road and Faculty Road, has increased substantially during recent years and that this route has become something of a raceway for a growing number of automobiles, thereby posing a serious danger to the children in this area, we, the undersigned registered voters of Durham and concerned parents, request that this year's Town Warrant contain an article directing the Town to place stop signs along this route at the intersections of Faculty Road and Thompson Lane, and Faculty Road and Mill Pond Road. For optimum safety it is urged that each of these intersections be made a three-way stop.

(Petitioned by the following 10 legal voters: Marc L. Schwarz, Allen B. Linden, Charles A. Jellison, J. Brad Lentz, Charles E. Clark, Donald M. Murray, Minnie E. Murray, Phyllis Jellison, David M. Burton, Martha B. Burton.)

11. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen under authority of RSA 80:42 to sell and transfer the tax lien and/or the title to real estate acquired by the Town at a tax collector's sale for nonpayment of taxes, in default of redemption for such tax sale within the time limited by law, by deed or otherwise upon such term as the Selectmen shall deem to be in the best interests of the Town.

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of approximately fifty thousand (\$50,000.00) dollars to defray its share of the cost of Strafford County Government.

13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow necessary money in anticipation of taxes.

14. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow the sum of five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars, if necessary by issuance of a note payable on or before December 1, 1970 to complete the Town's shares of the cost of a new fire truck to be ordered in 1969 by the University of New Hampshire and the Town. (See budget.) (Recommended by Budget Committee.)

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of thirty-six thousand (\$36,000.00) dollars for the purpose of repairing the Wiswall Road bridge and the Town share of the cost of rebuilding the Mill Road bridge over the Oyster River by raising the sum of twelve thousand (\$12,000.00) dollars by appropriation in 1969 and the issue of two serial notes in the amount of twelve thousand (\$12,000.00) dollars each, one payable on or before December 1, 1970 and one payable on or before December 1, 1971. (See budget.) (Recommended by Budget Committee.)

16. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the budget as submitted by the Budget Committee in the amount of five hundred eighteen thousand, five hundred twenty-five dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$518,525.58) and to raise by taxes the sum of three hundred two thousand, one hundred fifty-seven dollars and seventy-four cents, (\$302,157.74). (See budget detail.)

17. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hand and seal this 24th day of February in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-nine.

*James C. Chamberlin*, Chairman  
*Henry A. Davis*  
*Donald M. Sumner*  
 Board of Selectmen

A True Copy, Attest:

*James C. Chamberlin*  
*Henry A. Davis*  
*Donald M. Sumner*  
 Board of Selectmen

## 1968 Audit

The 1968 audit by the State Tax Commission's Office was not completed in time to be included in the printed report.

The auditor's report is available at the Town Office for inspection by any interested citizen.

## Total Salaries and Wages Town Officers and Employees

|   | 1968            | 1969<br>Proposed |
|---|-----------------|------------------|
| Selectman (Chairman)                    | \$ 1,200.00     | \$ 1,200.00      |
| Selectman (1m each)                     | 2,000.00        | 4,000.00         |
| Town Clerk (Fees)                       | 4,089.00        | 6,500.00         |
| Tax Collector                           | 2,031.31        |                  |
| Town Treasurer                          | 500.00          | 600.00           |
| Superintendent PW                       | 10,000.00       | 10,800.00        |
| Police Chief                            | 7,280.00        | 7,800.00         |
| Fire Chief                              | 6,500.00        | 7,500.00         |
| Librarian                               | 3,500.00        | 4,000.00         |
| District Court                          | 3,325.00        | 3,990.00         |
| Building Inspector (Fees)               | 1,129.50        | 1,500.00         |
| Health Officer                          | 350.00          | 350.00           |
| Welfare Officer                         | 100.00          | 100.00           |
| Payroll Public Works                    | 54,156.00       | 55,000.00        |
| Payroll Refuse Collection & Incinerator | 11,016.00       | 17,210.00        |
| Payroll Fire Dept. (less Chief)         | 41,100.00       | 45,600.00        |
| Payroll Police Dept. (less Chief)       | 34,216.00       | 40,471.00        |
| Payroll Special Police                  | <u>1,820.00</u> | <u>1,500.00</u>  |
| Total                                   | \$184,312.81    | \$208,121.00     |

# 1969 Budget

## As Submitted by the Budget Committee

Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing Year January 1, 1969 to December 31, 1969 compared with Estimated and Actual Revenue Appropriations and Expenditures of the Previous Year January 1, 1968 to December 31, 1968.

| SOURCES OF REVENUE                         | ESTIMATED<br>REVENUE<br>PREVIOUS<br>YEAR<br>1968 | ACTUAL<br>REVENUE<br>PREVIOUS<br>YEAR<br>1968 | ESTIMATED<br>REVENUE<br>ENSUING<br>YEAR<br>1969 |  | ESTIMATED<br>REVENUE<br>PREVIOUS<br>YEAR<br>1968 | ACTUAL<br>REVENUE<br>PREVIOUS<br>YEAR<br>1968 | ESTIMATED<br>REVENUE<br>ENSUING<br>YEAR<br>1969 |
|--|--|---|---|--|--|---|---|
| <b>From State:</b>                         |  |   |   | Town Clerk & Tax Collector's Fees  | 1,010.00   | 1,101.00                                      | 4,089.00  |
| Interest and Dividends Tax                 | \$ 35,000.00                                     | \$ 29,087.97                                  | \$ 30,000.00                                    | Sale of Town Property  | 200.00   | 393.80  | 200.00  |
| Railroad Tax                               | 300.00   | —   | 300.00  | Septic Tank Inspection Fees  | 500.00   | 450.00  | 1,000.00  |
| Savings Bank Tax                           | 3,400.00   | 3,949.19                                      | 4,000.00  | Withdrawals from Capital Reserve Funds   | —  | —   | 2,333.33  |
| Meals and Rooms Tax                        | 10,000.00  | 10,291.24                                     | 16,000.00                                       | Reimbursement College Brook Interceptor UNH  | —  | —   | 10,344.46                                       |
| Head Tax                                   | 50.00  | 52.63   | 50.00   | Reimbursement Water Dept. Payroll  | 1,000.00   | —   | 1,000.00  |
| Reimbursement a/c Water Pollution Projects | 32,429.00  | 32,429.00                                     | 31,877.00                                       | Reimbursement Sewer Dept. Payroll  | 1,000.00   | 2,252.16                                      | 1,000.00  |
| Road Toll Refund                           | 1,000.00   | 1,270.43                                      | 2,000.00  | Reimbursement Sewer UNH Payroll  | 4,825.40   | 4,588.19                                      | 4,541.55  |
| Reimbursement Public Welfare               | 200.00   | —   | —   | Reimbursement Incinerator UNH Payroll  | 9,750.00   | —   | 8,200.00  |
| <b>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</b>    |  |   |   | Insurance Refund   | —  | 93.00   | —   |
| Dog Licenses                               | 950.00   | 914.75  | 900.00  | <b>Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes:</b>                                       |  |   |   |
| Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees | 169.00   | 124.00  | 235.00  | Serial Notes   |  |   |   |
| Fines and Forfeits, Municipal Court        | 8,500.00   | 8,288.65                                      | 8,500.00  | College Brook Interceptor  | 150,000.00                                       | 150,000.00                                    | —   |
| Rent of Town Hall and Other Buildings      | 720.00   | 240.00  | —   | Bridges  | —  | —   | 24,000.00                                       |
| Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits    | 400.00   | 1,024.77                                      | 500.00  | Fire Truck   | —  | —   | 5,000.00  |
| Misc.                                      | 200.00   | 1,993.80                                      | 500.00  | <b>Cash Surplus</b>  | 30,465.31  | —   | —   |
| Income of Departments:                     |  |   |   | <b>From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:</b>                                     |  |   |   |
| (a) Highway, incl. rental of equipment     | 100.00   | —   | —   | (a) Poll Taxes—Regular at \$2  | 3,000.00   | 2,982.00                                      | 3,000.00  |
| (b) Building Permits                       | 800.00   | 1,310.00                                      | 1,200.00  | (b) Notional Bank Stock Taxes  | 150.00   | 261.65  | 300.00  |
| Income from Municipally owned Utilities:   |  |   |   | (c) Yield Taxes  | 300.00   | 119.66  | —   |
| (a) Sewer Departments                      | 10,000.00  | 9,818.30                                      | 14,797.50                                       | <b>TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES<br/>EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES</b>                       | \$ 344,675.51                                    | —   | —   |
| Interest from Investments                  | 2,256.80   | 4,449.60                                      | 500.00  |  | —  | \$305,640.80                                  | \$216,367.84                                    |
| Motor Vehicle Permit Fees                  | 36,000.00  | 38,155.01                                     | 40,000.00                                       | <b>AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY PROP. TAXES<br/>(Exclusive of County &amp; School Taxes)</b> | —  | —   | \$302,157.74                                    |

| PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES                   | 1968<br>Budget | Expended<br>1968 | Proposed<br>Budget<br>1969 |
|--|----------------|------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>General Government:</b>                 |                |                  |                            |
| Town Officers' Salaries                    | \$ 16,460.00   | \$ 16,589.50     | \$ 19,860.00               |
| Town Officers' Expenses                    | 10,390.00      | 10,791.89        | 11,520.00                  |
| Election and Registration Expenses         | 620.00         | 549.52           | 170.00                     |
| Municipal and District Court Expenses      | 3,325.00       | 3,325.00         | 3,990.00                   |
| Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.   | 3,450.00       | 2,248.67         | 2,030.00                   |
| Reappraisal of Property                    | 3,500.00       | 3,500.00         | 8,000.00                   |
| Employee's Retirement and Social Security  | 4,932.00       | 4,741.00         | 5,965.25                   |
| <b>Protection of Persons and Property:</b> |                |                  |                            |
| Police Department                          | 54,080.00      | 53,743.26        | 62,901.00                  |
| Fire Department                            | 19,939.30      | 24,794.45        | 35,505.96                  |
| Care of Trees                              | 700.00         | 287.50           | 300.00                     |
| Insurance                                  | 10,344.00      | 8,574.30         | 12,800.00                  |
| Planning and Zoning                        | 5,600.00       | 4,009.84         | 9,050.00                   |
| Hydrant Rental                             | 660.00         | 660.00           | 660.00                     |
| Damages and Legal Expenses                 | 9,000.00       | 7,819.68         | 500.00                     |
| Civil Defense                              | 200.00         | —                | 200.00                     |
| <b>Health:</b>                             |                |                  |                            |
| Health Department                          | 1,350.00       | 1,497.30         | 2,900.00                   |
| Mosquito Control                           | 1.00           | —                | 200.00                     |
| Town Dump and Garbage Removal              | 28,706.40      | 11,524.83        | 27,560.00                  |
| <b>Highways and Bridges:</b>               |                |                  |                            |
| Town Maintenance                           | 100,456.00     | 102,022.90       | 100,500.00                 |
| Street Lighting                            | 8,000.00       | 8,695.25         | 9,600.00                   |
| Town Road Aid                              | 902.13         | 902.13           | 896.67                     |
| <b>Libraries</b>                           |                |                  |                            |
|  | 6,500.00       | 6,500.00         | 7,000.00                   |
| <b>Public Welfare:</b>                     |                |                  |                            |
| Town Poor                                  | 5,000.00       | 3,148.91         | 3,500.00                   |
| Old Age Assistance                         | 1,600.00       | 1,544.72         | 1,600.00                   |

| PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES                | 1968<br>Budget | Expended<br>1968 | Proposed<br>Budget<br>1969 |
|---|----------------|------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>Patriotic Purposes:</b>              |                |                  |                            |
| Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations | 100.00         | 100.00           | 100.00                     |
| McGregor Memorial                       | 2,000.00       | 2,000.00         | —                          |
| <b>Recreation:</b>                      |                |                  |                            |
| Parks and Playgrounds                   | 2,914.00       | 3,429.27         | 3,264.00                   |
| <b>Public Service Enterprises:</b>      |                |                  |                            |
| Cemeteries                              | 200.00         | 52.56            | 200.00                     |
| Conservation Commission                 | 1,000.00       | 1,000.00         | 1,000.00                   |
| Advertising and Regional Associations   | 200.00         | 200.00           | 100.00                     |
| <b>Interest:</b>                        |                |                  |                            |
| On Temporary Loans                      | 1,000.00       | 2,737.78         | 2,000.00                   |
| On Bonded Debt                          | 25,500.00      | 25,500.00        | 24,000.00                  |
| On Long Term Notes                      | 4,560.00       | 4,560.00         | 10,652.70                  |
| <b>Highways and Bridges:</b>            |                |                  |                            |
| Town Construction                       | 8,600.00       | 7,448.33         | 37,500.00                  |
| Expenses 29 Main St.                    | 600.00         | 600.00           | —                          |
| Sidewalk Construction                   | 6,000.00       | 3,456.64         | 5,000.00                   |
| Sewer Construction                      | 150,000.00     | 572.78           | —                          |
| Building Options                        | —              | —                | 1,500.00                   |
| New Equipment                           | 20,500.00      | 20,559.95        | 20,600.00                  |
| <b>Payment on Principal of Debt:</b>    |                |                  |                            |
| (a) Bonds                               | 50,000.00      | 50,000.00        | 50,000.00                  |
| (b) Long Term Notes                     | 15,600.00      | 15,600.00        | 30,600.00                  |
| (c) Payment to Capital Reserve Funds    | —              | —                | 5,000.00                   |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES                      | \$584,489.83   | \$415,288.04     | \$518,525.58               |

# 1969 Budget Detail

|   | 1967<br>Expended   | 1968<br>Budget     | 1968<br>Expended   | 1969<br>Proposed      |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>                   |                    |                    |                    |                       |
| Town Officers' Salaries                     |                    |                    |                    |                       |
| Selectmen: Chairman                         | \$ 1,200.00        | \$ 1,200.00        | \$ 1,200.00        | \$ 1,200.00           |
| Others                                      | 2,000.00           | 2,000.00           | 2,000.00           | 4,000.00              |
| Treasurer                                   | 300.00             | 300.00             | 300.00             | 400.00 <sup>1</sup>   |
| Tax Collector's Salary                      | 1,790.13           | 1,800.00           | 1,800.00           | 2,100.00 <sup>2</sup> |
| Tax Collector's Fees                        | 312.30             | 310.00             | 310.00             | 310.00 <sup>2</sup>   |
| Town Clerk's Fees                           | 2,258.00           | 2,700.00           | 2,700.00           | 3,000.00 <sup>2</sup> |
| Health Officer                              | 350.00             | 350.00             | 350.00             | 350.00 <sup>3</sup>   |
| Welfare Officer                             | 100.00             | 100.00             | 100.00             | 100.00                |
| Director of Public Works                    | 4,543.73           | 6,700.00           | 6,700.00           | 6,900.00 <sup>4</sup> |
| Building Inspector                          | 706.50             | 1,000.00           | 1,129.50           | 1,500.00 <sup>5</sup> |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                | <b>\$13,560.66</b> | <b>\$16,460.00</b> | <b>\$16,589.50</b> | <b>\$19,860.00</b>    |
| Town Officers' Expenses                     |                    |                    |                    |                       |
| Office Supplies & Expenses                  | \$ 2,807.17        | \$ 3,000.00        | \$ 3,568.19        | \$ 3,500.00           |
| Telephone                                   | 476.18             | 600.00             | 593.65             | 700.00                |
| Clerical: Bookkeeper &<br>General Assistant | 3,085.57           | 4,090.00           | 3,200.00           | —                     |
| Part-time Help                              | 786.00             | —                  | 593.25             | 4,170.00 <sup>2</sup> |
| Town Report Printing                        | 1,203.80           | 1,000.00           | 1,392.30           | 1,300.00              |
| Association Dues—Membership                 | 183.25             | 200.00             | 185.25             | 350.00                |
| Census—Poll & Head Tax                      | 200.00             | 200.00             | 200.00             | 200.00                |
| Travel—Convention                           | 208.55             | 250.00             | 168.60             | 250.00                |
| Audits                                      | 552.76             | 550.00             | 510.65             | 550.00                |
| Computer Service                            | 497.49             | 500.00             | 380.00             | 500.00                |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                | <b>\$10,000.77</b> | <b>\$10,390.00</b> | <b>\$10,791.89</b> | <b>\$11,520.00</b>    |
| <b>ELECTION &amp; REGISTRATION</b>          |                    |                    |                    |                       |
| Fees—Election Officials                     | \$ 65.25           | \$ 270.00          | \$ 246.00          | \$ 70.00              |
| Supplies & Printing                         | 49.40              | 200.00             | 144.95             | 50.00                 |
| Rental of Polling Place                     | —                  | 40.00              | 30.00              | 10.00                 |
| Setting up Polling Place                    | 10.00              | 25.00              | 1.38               | 10.00                 |
| Meals—Election Officials                    | 17.00              | 85.00              | 127.19             | 30.00                 |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                | <b>\$ 141.65</b>   | <b>\$ 620.00</b>   | <b>\$ 549.52</b>   | <b>\$ 170.00</b>      |

|                           | 1967<br>Expended   | 1968<br>Budget     | 1968<br>Expended   | 1969<br>Proposed   |
|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>DISTRICT COURT</b>     |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Justice Salary            | \$ 1,200.00        | \$ 1,750.00        | \$ 1,750.00        | \$ 2,100.00        |
| Special Justice Salary    | 360.00             | 525.00             | 525.00             | 630.00             |
| Clerk of Court Salary     | 720.00             | 1,050.00           | 1,050.00           | 1,260.00           |
| <b>TOTAL</b>              | <b>\$ 2,280.00</b> | <b>\$ 3,325.00</b> | <b>\$ 3,325.00</b> | <b>\$ 3,990.00</b> |
| <b>EXPENSES—TOWN HALL</b> |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Janitor                   | \$ 337.50          | \$ 500.00          | \$ 390.75          | \$ 500.00          |
| Utilities                 | 869.71             | 800.00             | 619.69             | 700.00             |
| Utilities—29 Main St.     | 148.90             | 400.00             | 291.40             | —                  |
| Repairs                   | 81.49              | 200.00             | 109.11             | 200.00             |
| Materials                 | —                  | 400.00             | 7.10               | 200.00             |
| Office Equipment          | 188.19             | 1,150.00           | 830.62             | 430.00             |
| <b>TOTAL</b>              | <b>\$ 1,625.79</b> | <b>\$ 3,450.00</b> | <b>\$ 2,248.67</b> | <b>\$ 2,030.00</b> |

## Notes:

- \$400 raised by taxes; \$100 from Sewer Dept.; \$100 from Water Dept., the two latter not shown before 1968.
- At present one person is serving as Tax Collector, Town Clerk, and Bookkeeper-Secretary. The office force type, file, keep records for the Selectmen, the Superintendent of Public Works, the Sewer and Water Departments, and other officers and committees as necessary. The Selectmen have therefore budgeted the office salaries as a package, totaling \$15,860. The breakdown: Bookkeeper-Secretary \$6500; Assistant: \$5200; Part-time help: \$4160. Of this amount \$11,600 is in the Town Budget (offset in part by fees, licenses, etc. in the revenue) and \$2100 each from Sewer and Water Department budgets. Tax Collector's salary is determined by a formula based on the taxes and fees collected.
- Plus one-half septic tank inspection fees listed under Health Department.
- Plus \$2400 from Sewer Dept. and \$1000 from Water Dept. and \$600 from Incinerator payroll.
- This figure is an estimate based on 90% of building permit fees plus one-half septic tank inspection fees.

|   | 1967<br>Expended   | 1968<br>Budget     | 1968<br>Expended   | 1969<br>Proposed   |                                 | 1967<br>Expended   | 1968<br>Budget     | Expended<br>1968   | Proposed<br>1969   |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Appraisal of Property                       | 702.18             | 3,500.00           | 3,500.00           | 8,000.00           |                                 |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Social Security                             | 4,626.77           | 4,932.00           | 4,741.00           | 5,965.25           |                                 |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| <b>PROTECTION OF PERSONS &amp; PROPERTY</b> |                    |                    |                    |                    | <b>INSURANCE</b>                |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| <b>POLICE DEPARTMENT</b>                    |                    |                    |                    |                    | Town Officers' Bonds            | 269.00             | 300.00             | 300.00             | 300.00             |
| Salaries                                    | \$36,885.00        | \$41,496.00        | \$40,586.00        | \$48,271.00        | Town Buildings                  |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Supplies                                    | 644.34             | 550.00             | 1,076.25           | 900.00             | Warkmen's Compensation          | 5,137.72           | 5,500.00           | 5,923.54           | 6,000.00           |
| Travel Expenses                             | 81.50              | 200.00             | 157.00             | 300.00             | Retirement Insurance            | —                  | 500.00             | —                  | 500.00             |
| Uniform Allowance                           | 1,323.34           | 1,341.00           | 1,361.29           | 1,500.00           | Life & Disability Income        | —                  | —                  | —                  | 3,600.00           |
| Special Officers                            | 1,465.53           | 1,820.00           | 2,369.00           | 1,500.00           | Blue Cross-Blue Shield          | 1,768.01           | 4,044.00           | 2,350.76           | 2,400.00           |
| Equipment                                   | 1,622.36           | 600.00             | 526.99             | 600.00             | <b>TOTAL</b>                    | <b>\$ 7,174.73</b> | <b>\$10,344.00</b> | <b>\$ 8,574.30</b> | <b>\$12,800.00</b> |
| Utility Vehicle                             | 800.00             | —                  | —                  | —                  | <b>PLANNING AND ZONING</b>      |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Gas, Oil & Maintenance                      | 1,206.91           | 2,182.00           | 2,072.38           | 2,482.00           | Planning Board                  | \$ 1,377.12        | \$ 2,500.00        | \$ 2,482.84        | \$ 2,950.00        |
| Lease of Cruiser                            | 1,080.00           | 1,560.00           | 1,507.70           | 892.00             | Comprehensive Plan              | 9,150.00           | 3,000.00           | 1,500.00           | —                  |
| Cruiser Purchase                            | —                  | —                  | —                  | 2,300.00           | Traffic Operations Plan         | —                  | —                  | —                  | 6,000.00           |
| Retirement Fund (6%)                        | 1,756.47           | 1,906.00           | 1,575.96           | 1,906.00           | Zoning Board of Adjustment      | —                  | 100.00             | 27.00              | 100.00             |
| Answering Service                           | 567.08             | 550.00             | 608.40             | —                  | <b>TOTAL</b>                    | <b>\$10,527.12</b> | <b>\$ 5,600.00</b> | <b>\$ 4,009.84</b> | <b>\$ 9,050.00</b> |
| Dispatch Service                            | —                  | 625.00             | 285.00             | —                  | <b>LEGAL FEES &amp; DAMAGES</b> |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Telephone                                   | 125.15             | 125.00             | 156.10             | 175.00             |                                 | 1,010.03           | 9,000.00           | 7,819.68           | 500.00             |
| Traffic Control Lights                      | 153.05             | 175.00             | 212.11             | 175.00             | <b>CIVIL DEFENSE</b>            |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Radio Equipment                             | 655.60             | 800.00             | 799.00             | 1,600.00           |                                 | 11.65              | 200.00             | —                  | 200.00             |
| Radio Maintenance                           | 40.83              | 150.00             | 449.81             | 300.00             | <b>HYDRANT RENTAL</b>           |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                                | <b>\$48,407.16</b> | <b>\$54,080.00</b> | <b>\$53,743.26</b> | <b>\$62,901.00</b> |                                 | 630.00             | 660.00             | 660.00             | 660.00             |
| <b>FIRE DEPARTMENT</b>                      |                    |                    |                    |                    | <b>MOSQUITO CONTROL</b>         |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| [Town Share—1/3]                            |                    |                    |                    |                    |                                 | —                  | 1.00               | —                  | —                  |
| Salaries                                    | \$ 4,302.40        | \$15,800.00        | \$20,958.61        | \$18,933.34        | <b>McGREGOR MEMORIAL</b>        |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Insurance                                   | 82.64              | 239.30             | 82.64              | 239.30             |                                 | —                  | 2,000.00           | 2,000.00           | —                  |
| Retirement Fund                             | 248.51             | 733.33             | 989.18             | 966.66             | <b>HEALTH DEPARTMENT</b>        |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Supplies & Maintenance                      | 682.04             | 1,100.00           | 1,528.35           | 1,333.33           | Durham Ambulance Corps          | —                  | —                  | —                  | 1,300.00           |
| Equipment                                   | —                  | 1,066.67           | —                  | 700.00             | Oyster River Home Health Assn.  | 200.00             | 1,000.00           | 1,000.00           | 1,000.00           |
| New Fire Truck                              | —                  | —                  | —                  | 12,333.33          | Health Officer's Expenses       | 65.31              | 100.00             | 62.30              | 100.00             |
| Fighting Forest Fires                       | —                  | —                  | 235.67             | —                  | Septic Tank Inspection Fees—1/2 | 180.00             | 250.00             | 435.00             | 500.00             |
| Capital Reserve Fund                        | 1,000.00           | 1,000.00           | 1,000.00           | 1,000.00           | <b>TOTAL</b>                    | <b>\$ 445.31</b>   | <b>\$ 1,350.00</b> | <b>\$ 1,497.30</b> | <b>\$ 2,900.00</b> |
| <b>TOTAL TOWN</b>                           | <b>\$ 6,315.59</b> | <b>\$19,939.30</b> | <b>\$24,794.45</b> | <b>\$35,505.96</b> | <b>PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT</b>  |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| <b>TOTAL TOWN &amp; UNH</b>                 | <b>—</b>           | <b>56,817.50</b>   | <b>—</b>           | <b>101,818.00</b>  | Payroll (exclusive of Director  |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| <b>CARE OF TREES</b>                        |                    |                    |                    |                    | and Refuse Collection           | \$32,107.08        | \$54,156.00        | \$52,089.26        | \$55,000.00        |
|   | 588.20             | 700.00             | 287.50             | 300.00             | Gas and Oil                     | 5,438.65           | 5,500.00           | 3,469.67           | 4,500.00           |
|   |                    |                    |                    |                    | Materials and Supplies          | 5,406.49           | 4,000.00           | 4,965.99           | 3,000.00           |
|   |                    |                    |                    |                    | Equipment Maintenance           | 8,652.96           | 8,000.00           | 9,689.61           | 6,500.00           |
|   |                    |                    |                    |                    | Utilities                       | 1,019.38           | 800.00             | 932.26             | 1,000.00           |

|                                 | 1967<br>Expended | 1968<br>Budget | Expended<br>1968 | Proposed<br>1969         |                                | 1967<br>Expended | 1968<br>Budget | Expended<br>1968 | Proposed<br>1969 |
|---------------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|
| Highway Maintenance:            |                  |                |                  |                          | PATRIOTIC PURPOSES             | 100.00           | 100.00         | 100.00           | 100.00           |
| Supplies                        | 1,357.97         | 2,500.00       | 4,656.88         | 2,000.00                 | RECREATION—Parks & Playgrounds | 2,643.95         | 2,914.00       | 3,429.27         | 3,264.00         |
| Equipment Rental                | 773.95           | 1,500.00       | 1,361.50         | 1,500.00                 | PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES     |                  |                |                  |                  |
| Road Tar                        | 9,370.69         | 9,000.00       | 5,399.63         | 9,000.00                 | Cemeteries                     | 240.50           | 200.00         | 52.56            | 200.00           |
| Asphalt Patch                   | —                | 3,000.00       | 5,359.96         | 5,000.00                 | Regional Advertising           | 200.00           | 200.00         | 200.00           | 100.00           |
| Highway Solt                    | 9,019.95         | 6,500.00       | 8,324.25         | 7,500.00                 | Conservation Commission        | 1,000.00         | 1,000.00       | 1,000.00         | 1,000.00         |
| Bituminous Concrete             | 2,000.00         | 2,000.00       | 2,855.16         | 2,000.00                 | TOTAL                          | \$ 1,440.50      | \$ 1,400.00    | \$ 1,252.56      | \$ 1,300.00      |
| Sand (screened)                 | —                | 3,000.00       | 2,800.00         | 1,500.00                 | CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS           |                  |                |                  |                  |
| Roadside Mowing                 | —                | 500.00         | 118.58           | 500.00                   | Incinerator Construction       | 6,172.00         | —              | —                | —                |
| Signs and Street Marking        | —                | —              | —                | 1,500.00                 | College Brook Interceptor      | —                | 150,000.00     | 572.78           | —                |
| New Construction:               |                  |                |                  |                          | Expenses—3 mos.—29 Main St.    | —                | 600.00         | 600.00           | —                |
| Sidewalks                       | 7,058.68         | 6,000.00       | 3,456.64         | 5,000.00                 | Town Office Space—Option       | —                | —              | —                | 1,000.00         |
| TRA                             | 705.80           | 902.13         | 902.13           | 896.67                   | Gronge Hall Option             | —                | —              | —                | 500.00           |
| Parking Lots                    | 32,064.05        | 2,100.00       | 2,520.00         | 500.00                   | TOTAL                          | \$ 6,172.00      | \$150,600.00   | \$ 1,172.78      | \$ 1,500.00      |
| Town Garage                     | 855.22           | 1,500.00       | 1,777.81         | 1,000.00                 | INTEREST                       |                  |                |                  |                  |
| Contracts                       | 632.64           | 5,000.00       | 3,150.52         | —                        | Temporary Loans                | \$ 2,118.47      | \$ 1,000.00    | \$ 2,737.78      | \$ 2,000.00      |
| Wiswall Bridge)                 |                  |                |                  |                          | Long Term Notes                | 664.89           | 4,560.00       | 4,560.00         | 10,652.70        |
| Mill Road Bridge—or)—Town Share | —                | —              | —                | 36,000.00 <sup>6</sup>   | Bonded Debt                    | 27,000.00        | 25,500.00      | 25,500.00        | 24,000.00        |
| New Equipment                   | 10,192.75        | 20,500.00      | 20,559.95        | 20,600.00                | TOTAL                          | \$29,783.36      | \$31,060.00    | \$32,797.78      | \$36,652.70      |
| Capital Reserve (Equipment)     | 5,000.00         | —              | —                | 5,000.00                 | PRINCIPAL                      |                  |                |                  |                  |
|                                 | 131,656.26       | 136,458.13     | 134,389.95       | 169,496.67               | Long Term Notes                | \$ 7,000.00      | \$15,600.00    | \$15,600.00      | \$30,600.00      |
| REFUSE COLLECTION               |                  |                |                  |                          | Bonded Debt                    | 50,000.00        | 50,000.00      | 50,000.00        | 50,000.00        |
| Payroll                         | 7,936.34         | 7,706.40       | 8,127.53         | 8,910.00                 | TOTAL                          | \$57,000.00      | \$65,600.00    | \$65,600.00      | \$80,600.00      |
| Dump Attendant                  | —                | —              | 2,888.47         | 2,000.00                 | TOTAL TOWN EXPENDITURES        | \$362,971.72     | \$584,489.83   | \$415,288.13     | \$518,525.58     |
| Operation of Dump               | 180.51           | 200.00         | 508.83           | 200.00                   |                                |                  |                |                  |                  |
| Incinerator:                    |                  |                |                  |                          |                                |                  |                |                  |                  |
| Payroll                         | —                | 11,800.00      | —                | 6,300.00                 |                                |                  |                |                  |                  |
| Equipment                       | —                | 5,500.00       | —                | 6,400.00                 |                                |                  |                |                  |                  |
| Supplies                        | —                | 1,000.00       | —                | 1,250.00                 |                                |                  |                |                  |                  |
| Utilities                       | —                | 2,500.00       | —                | 2,500.00                 |                                |                  |                |                  |                  |
| TOTAL                           | \$ 8,116.85      | \$28,706.40    | \$11,524.83      | \$27,560.00 <sup>7</sup> |                                |                  |                |                  |                  |
| STREET LIGHTING                 | \$ 7,501.08      | \$ 8,000.00    | \$ 8,695.25      | \$ 9,600.00              |                                |                  |                |                  |                  |
| LIBRARY                         | 6,500.00         | 6,500.00       | 6,500.00         | 7,000.00                 |                                |                  |                |                  |                  |
| PUBLIC WELFARE                  |                  |                |                  |                          |                                |                  |                |                  |                  |
| Old Age Assistance              | 1,510.11         | 1,600.00       | 1,544.72         | 1,600.00                 |                                |                  |                |                  |                  |
| Direct Relief                   | 2,500.00         | 5,000.00       | 3,148.99         | 3,500.00                 |                                |                  |                |                  |                  |
| TOTAL                           | \$ 4,010.11      | \$ 6,600.00    | \$ 4,693.71      | \$ 5,100.00              |                                |                  |                |                  |                  |

<sup>6</sup> \$12,000 will be spent in 1969, and \$24,000 will be raised by a two year serial note. See revenue.

<sup>7</sup> There is partial reimbursement from UNH for incinerator entries under Revenue.

## Revenue to Town Estimated for 1969

|                                | 1966         | 1967         | 1968         | 1969         |  | 1966          | 1967          | 1968          | 1969          |
|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
|                                | ACTUAL       | ACTUAL       | ACTUAL       | ESTIMATE     |  | ACTUAL        | ACTUAL        | ACTUAL        | ESTIMATE      |
| <b>FROM STATE:</b>             |              |              |              |              |  |               |               |               |               |
| Interest & Dividends           | \$ 24,897.05 | \$ 30,063.91 | \$ 29,087.97 | \$ 30,000.00 | Reimbursements:                        |               |               |               |               |
| Railroad Tax                   | 499.96       | 336.43       | —            | 300.00       | College Brook Interceptor—             |               |               |               |               |
| Reimbursements:                |              |              |              |              | Principal—UNH                          | —             | —             | —             | 6,666.66      |
| Head Tax                       | —            | 48.28        | 52.63        | 50.00        | Interest—UNH                           | —             | —             | —             | 3,677.80      |
| Public Welfare                 | 333.00       | 257.08       | —            | —            | Incinerator—UNH                        | —             | —             | —             | 8,200.00      |
| Sewer (1947)                   | 1,274.00     | 1,274.00     | 1,274.00     | 1,274.00     | Sewer—UNH                              | 14,040.00     | 5,346.45      | 4,588.19      | 4,541.55      |
| Sewer (1964)                   | 50,712.00    | 30,287.00    | 31,155.00    | 30,603.00    | Sewer Department Payroll               | 13,732.45     | 1,906.09      | 2,252.16      | 1,000.00      |
| Road Toll Refunds              | 1,612.03     | 833.91       | 1,270.43     | 2,000.00     | Water Department Payroll               | 3,801.57      | 300.78        | —             | 1,000.00      |
| Room and Meals Tax             | —            | —            | 10,291.24    | 16,000.00    | Town Property:                         |               |               |               |               |
| Savings Bank Tax               | 2,795.77     | 3,215.99     | 3,949.19     | 4,000.00     | Rental                                 | —             | —             | 240.00        | —             |
| TOTAL FROM STATE               | \$ 82,123.81 | \$ 66,316.60 | \$ 77,080.46 | \$ 84,227.00 | Sale                                   | 100.45        | 514.30        | 393.80        | 200.00        |
|                                |              |              |              |              | Withdrawal from Cap. Reserve           | 5,900.00      | —             | —             | 2,333.33      |
|                                |              |              |              |              | Miscellaneous                          | 129.14        | 223.00        | 1,993.80      | 500.00        |
|                                |              |              |              |              | TOTAL FROM LOCAL SOURCES               | \$ 112,698.28 | \$ 77,949.95  | \$ 75,197.03  | \$ 99,840.84  |
| <b>FROM LOCAL SOURCES:</b>     |              |              |              |              |  |               |               |               |               |
| Licenses, Permits, Fees:       |              |              |              |              | FROM LOCAL TAXES OTHER THAN PROPERTY   |               |               |               |               |
| Building Permits               | \$ 1,278.00  | \$ 880.00    | \$ 1,310.00  | \$ 1,200.00  | National Bank Tax                      | \$ 245.90     | \$ 159.00     | \$ 261.65     | \$ 300.00     |
| Business Licenses              | 115.00       | 75.00        | 20.00        | 150.00       | Poll Tax                               | 2,754.00      | 2,918.00      | 2,982.00      | 3,000.00      |
| Dag Licenses                   | 840.00       | 946.25       | 914.75       | 900.00       | Timber Tax (Yield Tax)                 | 620.00        | 388.57        | 119.66        | —             |
| Filing Fees (Candidates)       | —            | 4.00         | 29.00        | 10.00        | TOTAL                                  | \$ 3,619.90   | \$ 3,465.57   | \$ 3,363.31   | \$ 3,300.00   |
| Motor Vehicle Permits          | 33,080.89    | 34,712.74    | 38,155.01    | 40,000.00    |  |               |               |               |               |
| Parking Permits                | —            | 65.00        | 75.00        | 75.00        | FROM BONDS AND NOTES                   |               |               |               |               |
| Septic Tank Inspection Fees    | 600.00       | 360.00       | 450.00       | 1,000.00     | Serial Notes—Bridges                   | —             | —             | —             | \$ 24,000.00  |
| Sewer Entrance Fees            | 15,642.00    | 18,964.00    | 9,818.30     | 14,797.50    | Serial Notes—College Brook Interceptor | —             | —             | 150,000.00    | —             |
| Tax Collector's Fees           | —            | —            | —            | —            | Serial Notes—Incinerator               | —             | 86,000.00     | —             | —             |
| Town Clerk's Fees              | 691.00       | 586.00       | 1,101.00     | 4,089.00     | Serial Notes—Parking Lot               | —             | 35,000.00     | —             | —             |
| Fines:                         |              |              |              |              | Serial Notes—Fire Truck                | —             | —             | —             | 5,000.00      |
| Court Fines and Forfeits       | 4,360.00     | 5,539.40     | 4,740.02     | 5,000.00     | TOTAL REVENUE                          | \$ 198,442.00 | \$ 258,732.12 | \$ 305,640.80 | \$ 216,367.84 |
| Parking Fines                  | 2,263.15     | 2,141.40     | 3,548.63     | 3,500.00     | TOTAL EXPENDITURES                     | —             | —             | —             | \$ 518,525.58 |
| Others:                        |              |              |              |              | TOTAL TO BE RAISED BY TAXES            | —             | —             | —             | \$ 302,157.74 |
| Comprehensive Plan (UNH Share) | —            | 3,000.00     | —            | —            |  |               |               |               |               |
| Highway Department             | 5,576.79     | 105.00       | —            | —            |  |               |               |               |               |
| Insurance Refunds              | 279.00       | —            | 93.00        | —            |  |               |               |               |               |
| Interest on:                   |              |              |              |              |  |               |               |               |               |
| Investments                    | 9,833.80     | —            | 4,449.60     | 500.00       |  |               |               |               |               |
| Taxes & Deposits               | 435.04       | 330.54       | 1,024.77     | 500.00       |  |               |               |               |               |
| Property Tax Refunds           | —            | 1,950.00     | —            | —            |  |               |               |               |               |

# Reports of Town Officers and Committees

## Selectmen

The writing of a Selectmen's report for 1968 is undertaken with mixed feelings. We would naturally like to present a glowing report indicating that all of the objectives, and more, proposed for 1968 have been accomplished. This we know is not true and the "public" would quickly inform us of this fact should such claims be made.

Due to unavoidable circumstances the implementation of joint Town and University programs to provide an incinerator, a communications system and an improved water system have been delayed. Plans have progressed to the point which should make these programs a reality in 1969.

The Board feels that the most pressing problems that must be met by the Town and University are the solution of the traffic problem and the improvement of water treatment and distribution systems.

We do take satisfaction in reporting that a new Town parking area has been made ready for at least limited use. Also, Dennison Road has been vastly improved, Edgewood Road resurfaced, sidewalks installed on a portion of Madbury, Woodman and Dennison Roads.

Our efforts to bring about a better movement of traffic at the intersection of Madbury Road and Main Street have resulted in a commitment by the State Highway Department to make extensive improvements in this area.

The Town crew has been active in improving drainage, shoulders and surface of the Durham Point Road and in many other locations on Town roads. This is a program that needs continuing attention in the future to protect the investment already in these roads.

We are glad to note that the space needs of the Town

Office received critical attention by the special committee appointed to consider this matter. It is important that you read the report of this committee in detail.

To go on recounting activities would only repeat much of what is reported by the Superintendent of Public Works, the Building Inspector, as well as the other Town Officers and Committees for 1968.

While it is difficult to single out any particular officer or committee for special comment we feel that our Police Department has been of special service to the Community. The Planning Board has been especially dedicated to a time-consuming assignment. We urge that you give careful attention to all the reports of the various officers and committees of the Town. If you have questions or want further information relative to any subject reported, an inquiry to the officer or committee chairman involved will be welcomed.

Your Selectmen are concerned, yes disturbed, at the rapid spiraling upward of taxes assessed against each property owner in Town. It is needless here to recount causes; however, we would like to point out that it is you, the citizen that can do something about it. That is, set your sights on reasonable goals for improvement at a reasonable rate and help the officers of the Town to get a dollar's worth of service or facility for every dollar spent. The reappraisal now underway will insure that everyone is fairly and justly assessed his share.

It is difficult to insure "equality" in assessment valuations but no group is more dedicated in achieving this goal than your Town Officers.

The Board wishes to thank all persons concerned with Town affairs in any way for their interest and effort in im-

proving the "home town." Your continued support and interest is expected. The comments of townspeople are welcome — even your complaints — some of which we believe are answered.

We urge all to look forward to 1969 with optimism. There is no doubt but what it will be a busy year and hopefully our report a year hence can note substantial improvements in making Durham a fine place in which to live.

## Public Works Advisory Committee

During 1968, the Public Works Advisory Committee met twice with the Superintendent of Public Works to consult with him and to make recommendations on the highway equipment portion of the 1968 and 1969 Town Budgets.

In late May, the Board of Selectmen reviewed for the Committee the public works activities completed or under way, as well as plans for the remainder of the year.

It should be noted that the infrequent activities requested of the Committee in recent years has little relationship to the duties voted at the 1949 Town Meeting " . . . to serve without pay in an advisory capacity only to the Selectmen or the Superintendent of Public Works on all matters concerning new public works, old public works or the extension of existing public works in the Town of Durham."

The members of the Committee, therefore, recommend to the Board of Selectmen that an item be placed in the 1969 Town Warrent to permit the discontinuation of the Public Works Advisory Committee.

*Howard E. Forrest  
T. R. Meyers  
Malcolm J. Chase,  
Chairman*

## Property Owned By The Town

(Areas given are approximate)

Town Hall, used as central office for Town officials, Police Department, District Court and Durham Historic Association.

Town Garages and lot, for Public Works Department use. Water distribution lines.

Wiswall Road Dam (for storage), with four acres of land. Sewer system including treatment plant, pumping stations and collecting mains and laterals.

Waste disposal area, 40 acres off Durham Point Road. Doe Farm, 260 acres off Bennett Road and along the Lamprey River.

Smith Chapel and two acres of land.

Landings. Old Landing Road (Shipyard), Jackson, Cedar Point.

Parks. Three acres off Oyster River Road.

Tot Lot, Croghan Drive, half an acre.  
Fifty feet of land the length of Maple Street.  
Land along Oyster River adjoining former Sullivan property.

Cemeteries. One on Concord Road; one on Schoolhouse Lane.

Gravel pit, 13 acres in Lee off Garrity Road.

Well site, four acres off U.S. 4 in Lee

## Forest Fire Warden

People cause fires. Our records show that the number of fires increase in an area as the population increases and our state is growing tremendously. This means that we all must be aware of fire causes and do our best to prevent their occurrence.

When we are very young the lighted matches is an adventure, burnt fingers and a dropped match is another fire. A little older we like to have a woodland cookout, or go out by ourselves for a smoke but fire and forests get together for another statistic. We adults like to clean up in the spring, burn the old debris and the dead grass, result — escaped fires and much personal expense.

With new homes and summer cottages located in woodlands and with abandoned fields and forests crowding the back yard of our villages' streets, it is necessary that everyone be aware all through the fire season, which comes with the disappearance of the snow, of the need to be careful with outdoor fires and fire sources.

The following action will help:

1. To teach our children the danger of lighted matches.
2. To *never* discard lighted smoking material from a car or while walking through fields or woods.
3. To safely dispose of rubbish preferably at the town dump. If you must burn —
  - a. You need a written permit from the town fire warden for *all* debris burning except when the ground is covered with snow. Cooking fires in outdoor fireplaces or in charcoal brasiers in your own back yard is permitted on notification of the warden.
  - b. The warden is forbidden by regulation to allow burning of household rubbish on *grass* by householders between 9:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.
  - c. Have equipment on hand to control the fire *before* you light the match.

4. Promptly report any fire out of control to your fire warden or fire department.

Help to keep our town out of the fire occurrence column and save your tax dollars for useful purpose.

### Forest Fire Record for 1968:

|          | Number of Fires | Woodland acres burned |
|----------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| State    | 593             | 349                   |
| District | 47              | 63                    |
| Town     | 1               | 3                     |

*John F. Donovan, Warden*  
*Ivan E. Scranton, District Chief*

## Durham Data

*Population.* 3,679 (1968 census for head and poll tax.) Are you 70 yet? If so, you no longer need to pay head and poll taxes. Population used for Durham for the allocation of meals and rooms tax was 6,060.

*Vital Statistics.* Births - 55; marriages - 73; deaths - 24.

*Voting Record:* (Interim report of Local Government Study Committee):

|              |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1956 - 45.8% | 1961 - 24.0% | 1965 - 43.1% |
| 1957 - 26.9  | 1962 - 25.7  | 1966 - 44.1  |
| 1958 - 28.3  | 1963 - 20.3  | 1967 - 35.8  |
| 1959 - 34.3  | 1964 - 56.0  | 1968 - 63.1  |
| 1960 - 55.0  |              |              |

Citizen participation in the School elections has been less than in Town elections.

*Physically,* Durham covers 25.5 square miles, 2.2 of them water area. It has 63 miles of roads, 17 maintained by the State (The bypass measures 3.1 miles.) and 46 by the Town — 29.6 tarred, 10.4 gravel. Sidewalks measure 23,900 feet, or 4.5 miles.

*Hydrants.* Installed and maintained at expense of Water Department, to which Town pays \$10 for each hydrant to compensate for extra expense incurred for fire protection. They number 66.

*Street lights,* 204 of them, are the property of the New Hampshire Public Service Company, which erects, maintains and inspects them annually. The selectmen decide on their location, character and power, in consultation with Public Service representatives, and after consideration of suggestions by Town residents. (Did you know that the traffic light on Main Street and College Road is activated from the Fire Station? When the siren sounds and a fire truck leaves the station, the light automatically turns green for College Road, thus giving the fire trucks right of way.)

## Town Clerk

|                                       |           |                    |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| Motor Vehicle Permits, 1967           | \$ 635.86 |                    |
| Motor Vehicle Permits, 1968           | 37,539.15 |                    |
| Dog Licenses                          | 907.75    |                    |
| Filing Fees                           | 29.00     |                    |
| Marriage Licenses                     | 171.00    |                    |
| Copies Vital Statistics               | 93.00     |                    |
| UCC Filings                           | 385.00    |                    |
| UCC Discharges                        | 11.00     |                    |
| Certificate of Title Filings          | 287.00    |                    |
| Certificate of Title Application Fees | 133.00    |                    |
| Pole Licenses & Misc.                 | 28.00     |                    |
| <b>TOTAL RECEIPTS, TOWN CLERK</b>     |           | <b>\$40,219.76</b> |
| (Aprox.) 2.815 Cars Registered        |           |                    |
| 355 Dog Tags Issued                   |           |                    |

## Public Works Department Report

The Public Works Department is responsible for the maintenance and construction of the Town Streets, sidewalks, and sewer and water mains and services; traffic signs; cemeteries; collection and disposal of rubbish; and the operation of the Waste Water Treatment Plant and pumping stations.

A number of major projects were completed this year. The new parking lot in back of ATO was finished and Rosemary Lane to Ballard Street was widened. Dennison Road was rebuilt to reduce the grade, and a 12" storm drainage line with eight manholes to control storm water was constructed. Edgewood Road was covered with a coating of bituminous concrete.

Twelve hundred feet of sidewalks with curbing was constructed on Madbury, Woodman, and Dennison Roads to help protect the children going to and from school. We replaced 200' of deteriorating sewer line with new pipe in back of Red Tower Apartments and added a manhole.

The general repair of the roads in Town was started with work on 2½ miles of Durham Point Road. For new equipment the Town purchased a 1968 International 27,500 lb. G.V.W. dump truck to replace a 1960 dump truck; a 1968 Sullivan portable compressor to replace a 1951 Smith compressor; and a 1968 Massey-Ferguson Loader-Backhoe, which is a great asset for the maintenance work.

*Robert N. Gillis*  
Director of Public Works

## Town Office Activities

### Town Clerk Responsibilities:

Prepare car registration forms, collect permit fees, issue dog licenses, prepare and keep vital statistics records and prepare and distribute copies as required, draw jurors with due notices, record mortgages, liens, etc., and other duties as prescribed by law.

Keep proper account of all funds and fees received and transmit monies to Town Treasurer.

### Tax Collector Responsibilities:

Prepare bills and collect taxes (property, head and poll, etc.) per warrant from Selectmen; bill and collect sewer entrance (annually) and maintenance (semi-annually) fees. Keep proper account of all funds received and transmit same to Town Treasurer.

### Secretary to Selectmen:

*Water Dept.:* Billing (semi-annually), collection, accounting records, transfer funds to Treasurer.

*Sewer Dept.:* Keep accounting records, both of users and operation.

Prepare and mail Inventory Blanks before March 20, or as specified by law, each year.

Prepare blotter book, corrected to date insofar as possible, as of April 1 each year. Check inventories, veterans' exemption applications, boat declarations.

Maintain up-to-date property assessment record cards so far as owner and address of each parcel is concerned, based chiefly on transfer cards received from Register of Deeds.

When applicable, add to, remove or relocate water, sewer, census, property owners files.

Maintain up-to-date chart or other record showing status of each building permit. Show type of job and services required. Make sure record is made when required in property, water and sewer files.

Receive and transmit to Treasurer with proper record all monies received by the Town.

General office operation: typing, filing as required for Selectmen, Superintendent of Public Works, regular or special Town Committees. Write and record payrolls, checks in payment of bills, typing and filing for Police Dept. Maintain accounting records for general funds, Water Dept. and Sewer Dept. Maintain up to date record on status of budgeted items. Prepare and send bills for services or materials.

Service to the public: answer insofar as possible inquiries by mail, phone or in person.

## Tax Collector's Report

|                                      |             |                       |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Head Taxes, 1967                     | \$ 1,335.00 |                       |
| Head Taxes, 1968                     | 7,955.00    |                       |
| Head Tax penalties                   | 149.50      |                       |
| National Bank Stock Taxes, 1967      | 43.20       |                       |
| National Bank Stock Taxes, 1968      | 218.45      |                       |
| Poll Taxes, 1967                     | 454.00      |                       |
| Poll Taxes, 1968                     | 2,526.00    |                       |
| Property Taxes, 1967                 | 33,013.73   |                       |
| Property Taxes, 1968                 | 971,722.61  |                       |
| Tax Sales Redeemed                   | 1,928.16    |                       |
| Interest                             | 1,105.27    |                       |
| Sewer Entry, 1967                    | 172.50      |                       |
| Sewer Entry, 1968                    | 4,512.50    |                       |
| Yield Taxes                          | 119.66      |                       |
| <b>TOTAL RECEIPTS, TAX COLLECTOR</b> |             | <b>\$1,025,255.58</b> |
| Parcels of Property Taxes — \$1,291  |             |                       |
| Unpaid Taxes as of December 31, 1968 |             |                       |
| Poll Taxes, 1968                     | \$ 540.00   |                       |
| Head Taxes, 1968                     | 1,565.00    |                       |
| Property Taxes, 1968                 | 56,075.19   |                       |
| Sewer Entry, 1967                    | 30.00       |                       |
| Sewer Entry, 1968                    | 225.00      |                       |
| <b>TOTAL UNCOLLECTED 12/31/68</b>    |             | <b>\$58,435.19</b>    |

## Joint Town-University Advisory Committee

The first impression one might draw from the fact that only one meeting of the Committee was convened in 1968 is that there is little to be done. Such is not the case. Progress has been made in each area in which the Committee has initiated study and action. This progress is being accomplished by subcommittees appointed to coordinate efforts of the Town and the University in trying to solve problems and activate programs mutually beneficial.

The subcommittees at work are:

*Safety:* Considers traffic, pedestrian as well as vehicular, and any mutual problems in public safety and security.

*Water Policy:* This group backed a study of water supply, treatment, and distribution for the University and the Town. The study was conducted by Camp, Dresser & McKee, Engineers. A report was received and is under detailed study. The subcommittee will recommend a plan of action to the Town and University.

*Communications:* Efforts over several years are now crystallizing in the development of a central dispatch system for police and fire services to the Town and University. It will be in operation as soon as certain technical details are worked out.

*Incinerator:* This is now a committee which has developed from the subcommittee, and it now seems probable that the incinerator will be built in the spring of 1969 and will be in operation after mid-year.

*Education and Recreation:* Among other things, this subcommittee is considering current Town-University library agreements and policies.

*Planning:* This subcommittee was disbanded and its functions are being continued by the Planning Board in the Town and University respectively, with joint meetings as the

occasion demands. The "Durham Comprehensive Plan" is a result of this joint effort.

The Joint Committee meets irregularly at the call of the Chairman, or at the request of other members to consider items of pressing importance.

Please refer to Directory of Town Officials for Committee membership.



*Historic Durham Community Church once presented this appearance with a shallow pulpit area and pipe organ on the main floor at right. This photograph was taken prior to 1920. The building was remodeled as it now stands in 1923.*

## Sewer Policy Committee

The major work of the Sewer Policy Committee during 1968 was related to the replacement of part of the College Brook sewer line. The section involved lies between the old Oyster River pumping station and a point approximately 500 feet west of Mill Road. This replacement was so urgently needed that it was recommended to the Board of Selectmen, and to the voters at the 1968 Town Meeting, that it be completed prior to the 1969 spring thaws and rains. This recommendation was made even though State and Federal financial assistance were not immediately available. The project has received both State and Federal approval, so that future reimbursement to the Town is anticipated.

The Committee made recommendations on the operations portion of the Sewer Department budget early in the year. In addition, it recommended a sewer rental rate that would cover the cost of operating the sewerage system.

Near mid-year the Committee was asked to consider the application of the University of New Hampshire for permission to connect the drain from its new pesticide testing greenhouse to the sewerage system. From data supplied on the nature and quantities of pesticides used, and with the advice and consent of the New Hampshire Pesticide Control Board, the Committee recommended that the connection be permitted.

Important modifications of the Sewer Ordinance, related to flammable, toxic, corrosive, solid, and other materials that may be injurious to life or to the proper operation of the system, were recommended to and adopted by the Board of Selectmen.

At the close of the year, there were no items on the Committee's agenda to indicate any major request for funds during 1969.

Malcolm J. Chase    Herbert E. Kimball  
Henry A. Davis    Eugene H. Leaver    T. R. Meyers,  
Chairman

## 1964 Sewer Construction

### Bond Issue

\$1,000,000 Payable in 20 Years  
Interest 3% due March 1 and September 1;  
\$50,000 payment on principal due September 1

| Year   | Total Payment Principal and Interest | From State Grant (C-29) | U.N.H. share                          | Town share   |
|--------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1965   | \$ 80,000.00                         | \$                      | \$ 15,138.55                          | \$ 64,861.45 |
| 1966   | 78,500.00                            | 50,712.00               | 14,854.65                             | 12,933.35    |
| 1967   | 77,000.00                            | 30,287.00               | 14,570.80                             | 32,142.20    |
| 1968   | 75,500.00                            | 31,155.00               | 14,286.96                             | 30,058.04    |
| 1969   | 74,000.00                            | 30,603.00               | 14,003.11                             | 29,393.89    |
| 1970   | 72,500.00                            | 30,051.00               | 13,719.26                             | 28,729.74    |
| 1971   | 71,000.00                            | 29,499.00               | 13,435.41                             | 28,065.59    |
| 1972   | 69,500.00                            | 28,947.00               | 13,151.57                             | 27,401.43    |
| 1973   | 68,000.00                            | 28,395.00               | 12,867.72                             | 26,737.28    |
| 1974   | 66,500.00                            | 27,843.00               | 12,583.87                             | 26,073.13    |
| 1975   | 65,000.00                            | 27,291.00               | 12,300.03                             | 25,408.97    |
| 1976   | 63,500.00                            | 26,739.00               | 12,016.18                             | 24,744.82    |
| 1977   | 62,000.00                            | 26,187.00               | 11,732.33                             | 24,080.67    |
| 1978   | 60,500.00                            | 25,635.00               | 11,448.49                             | 23,416.51    |
| 1979   | 59,000.00                            | 25,083.00               | 11,164.64                             | 22,752.36    |
| 1980   | 57,500.00                            | 24,531.00               | 10,880.79                             | 22,088.21    |
| 1981   | 56,000.00                            | 23,979.00               | 10,596.95                             | 21,424.05    |
| 1982   | 54,500.00                            | 23,427.00               | 10,313.10                             | 20,759.90    |
| 1983   | 53,000.00                            | 22,875.00               | 10,029.25                             | 20,095.75    |
| 1984   | 51,500.00                            | 22,323.00               | 9,745.41                              | 19,431.59    |
| 1985   |                                      | 21,750.00               |                                       | 21,750.00    |
| Totals | \$1,315,000.00                       | \$557,312.00            | \$248,839.07                          | \$508,848.93 |
|        |                                      |                         | Balance due from Town January 1, 1969 | \$368,853.89 |

## Sewer Maintenance - Budget and Comparative Statement

|  | 1968<br>Budget | 1968<br>Expended | 1969<br>Estimated |
|--|----------------|------------------|-------------------|
| Salary payroll and allowances                          |                |                  |                   |
| Superintendent of Public Works,<br>General Supervision | \$ 2,300.00    | \$ 2,300.00      | \$ 2,400.00       |
| Plant Operator   | 7,300.00       | 7,300.00         | 7,800.00          |
| Crew, full time (assistant)                            | 6,000.00       | 5,307.48         | 6,300.00          |
| Crew, part time (Town crew)                            | 500.00         | 2,252.16         | 1,000.00          |
| Other labor hired                                      | 500.00         | 1,357.80         | 1,000.00          |
| Main lines and laterals                                |                |                  |                   |
| Crew, part time (shared mains)                         | 250.00         | —                | 250.00            |
| Crew, part time Other<br>(Other Town lines)            | 500.00         | —                | 500.00            |
| Other labor hired (shared mains)                       | 500.00         | —                | 500.00            |
| Other labor hired (Town mains)                         | 500.00         | 2.80             | 500.00            |
| Office   | 2,100.00       | 2,100.00         | 2,100.00          |
| Treasurer  | 100.00         | 100.00           | 100.00            |
| FICA   | 1,000.00       | 851.83           | 1,000.00          |
| Mileage (Plant Operator)                               | 125.00         | 125.00           | 125.00            |
| Short courses and meetings                             | 500.00         | 190.32           | 300.00            |
| Total all 100 s/c's                                    | 22,175.00      | 21,887.40        | 23,875.00         |
| Disposal plant   |                |                  |                   |
| Electricity and alarm No. 5435                         | 1,600.00       | 1,623.78         | 1,600.00          |
| Heating  | 1,000.00       | 939.11           | 1,000.00          |
| Chemicals  | 5,000.00       | 4,863.42         | 5,500.00          |
| Supplies (operation and<br>maintenance)                | 2,000.00       | 2,517.53         | 2,500.00          |
| Telephone and alarm system                             | 350.00         | 355.05           | 350.00            |
| Water  | 300.00         | 451.94           | 450.00            |
| Insurance  | 200.00         | —                | 200.00            |
| Total all 200  | 10,450.00      | 10,750.83        | 11,600.00         |
| Pumping Stations                                       |                |                  |                   |
| Dover Road   |                |                  |                   |
| Electricity and alarm<br>No. 5435                      | 2,500.00       | 26,28.50         | 2,600.00          |
| Repairs  |                |                  | 800.00            |
| Supplies   | 500.00         | 709.50           | 500.00            |
| Water  | 300.00         | 162.02           | 200.00            |
| Oyster River Road                                      |                |                  |                   |
| Electricity  | 211.00         | 206.88           | 200.00            |
| Supplies   | 100.00         | —                | 100.00            |
| Ritzman  |                |                  |                   |
| Electricity  | 100.00         | —                | 100.00            |
| Supplies   | 50.00          | 160.36           | 150.00            |
| Total all 300  | 3,861.00       | 3,867.26         | 4,650.00          |
| Line maintenance                                       |                |                  |                   |
| Shared mains   | 500.00         | 176.07           | 400.00            |

|                    |                  |                  |                  |
|--------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Other (Town) mains | 1,000.00         | 123.50           | 600.00           |
| Total all 400      | 1,500.00         | 299.57           | 1,000.00         |
|                    | 50.00            | —                | —                |
|                    | 50.00            | —                | —                |
|                    | 25.00            | —                | 100.00           |
| <b>GRAND TOTAL</b> | <b>38,011.00</b> | <b>36,835.06</b> | <b>41,225.00</b> |

## 1964 Sewer Construction Fund

|  |               |                 |
|--|---------------|-----------------|
| Balance (checking a/c December 31, 1967:<br>(Includes check held in escrow — \$750.00) |               | \$25,778.12     |
| Interest received on invested funds  |               | <u>530.06</u>   |
|  |               | 26,308.18       |
| Expenses:  |               |                 |
| Adjustments on easements   | 37.59         |                 |
| Miscellaneous  | 3.55          |                 |
| Legal expenses   | <u>225.00</u> | 266.14          |
| College Brook Interceptor:   |               |                 |
| Camp, Dresser & McKee  | 8,853.48      |                 |
| Advertising  | 183.97        |                 |
| Legal  | <u>35.00</u>  | <u>9,072.45</u> |
| Total  |               | 9,338.59        |
| Balance, December 31, 1968   |               | \$16,969.59     |

## Sewer Maintenance Account - Summary

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Balance — checking account, Jan. 1, 1968 | \$ 2,936.96 (a)  |
| Receipts:                                |                  |
| Sewer rental warrants 1967               | 3,266.42         |
| Sewer rental warrants 1968               | 15,459.23        |
| From UNH for services                    | 11,429.01        |
| Accounts receivable:                     |                  |
| on warrants                              | 3,526.96         |
| From UNH for service                     | <u>10,644.86</u> |
| Total                                    | \$47,263.44      |
| Expenses:                                |                  |
| Invoices paid                            | \$38,522.75 (b)  |
| Accounts payable (Contra to Town)        | <u>10,694.16</u> |
| Total                                    | \$49,216.91      |
| Current deficit                          | \$ 1,953.47      |

- (a) This is a cash account figure only.
- (b) Includes reimbursement to Town General Funds for 1966 and 1967 payroll and FICA of \$12,313.43. This is the first year in which the Sewer Department has been able to bring its indebtedness to the Town to a six-month basis. Continuing at this rate, by 1970 the Department should be in a position to make payroll reimbursements in full on a regular semi-annual basis.

## Water Department

There is little new to report relative to improvements in water supply and distribution in 1968. Normal maintenance has been accomplished. A major project financed equally by the Water Department and the University of New Hampshire was authorized as a result of consideration by the Joint Town-UNH Committee and a subcommittee appointed from that group. The firm of Camp, Dresser & McKee was hired to study the present water treatment and distribution system and submit a report with recommendations for use, treatment and distribution of water, and water resources in the Town and University. This report was completed and submitted in September, 1968, at a cost of \$13,554.77. The water Subcommittee is studying the report and is expected to present a schedule of action as soon as possible. Problems relating to water treatment, storage and distribution are near the critical stage in Durham.

Metered water consumption in Durham declined from past years for the first time, probably because of the heavier rainfall during the spring and summer which made use of water on lawns and gardens less necessary.

Metered consumption for each of the last three twelve-month periods was:

|                                  |                    |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| October 1, 1965 – Sept. 30, 1966 | 54,956,308 gallons |
| October 1, 1966 – Sept. 30, 1967 | 64,294,842 "       |
| October 1, 1967 – Sept. 30, 1968 | 61,788,540 "       |

## Account Summary

|  |           |                 |
|--|-----------|-----------------|
| Balance - Checking Account January 1, 1968 |           | \$ 5,686.13     |
| Receipts:                                  |           |                 |
| Prior Accounts Receivable                  | 4,041.03  |                 |
| Sales of Water, 1968                       | 27,060.07 |                 |
| Hydrant Rental                             | 660.00    |                 |
| Survey Reimbursement UNH                   | 5,480.95  |                 |
| Sub-Total December 31, 1968                |           | 42,928.18       |
| Accounts Receivable:                       |           |                 |
| Sale of Water                              | 465.45    |                 |
| Survey Reimbursement UNH                   | 1,296.44  |                 |
| Sub-Total December 31, 1968                |           | 1,761.89        |
| Savings Account 1/1/68                     | 1,369.48  |                 |
| Interest Received 1968                     | 62.30     |                 |
| Sub-Total December 31, 1968                |           | 1,431.78        |
| Reserve Fund in Trustee of Trust Funds     |           | <u>1,689.92</u> |
| Total                                      |           | \$47,811.77     |
| Expenses:                                  |           |                 |
| Capital:                                   |           |                 |
| Additions, Mains, Meters                   | 2,380.72  |                 |
| Water Survey & Report                      | 13,554.77 |                 |
| Distribution (maintenance)                 | 2,727.62  |                 |
| Purchase of Water                          | 11,285.09 |                 |
| Funded Debt.                               | 2,000.00  |                 |
| Sub-Total                                  |           | 31,948.20       |
| Accounts Payable:                          |           |                 |
| To Town (Contra)                           | 4,106.44  |                 |
| Purchase of Water (est.)                   | 3,000.00  |                 |
| Capital (Survey, est.)                     | 1,500.00  |                 |
| Sub-Total                                  |           | <u>8,606.44</u> |
| Total 1968 Expenses                        |           | \$40,554.64     |
| Balance December 31, 1968                  |           | \$ 7,257.13     |

## Police Department

In 1968 the Police Department has given its best possible service in protecting the Town. At times the work load has been most demanding. Increased patrols and road control of traffic has increased with the growth of our community, new facilities, and new roads.

Members of the 1968 Police Force included Chief Ray Burrows, Lt. Ronald McGowen, Sgt. John Chick, and Officers Robert Hollis, Jr., Leslie Jewell, Richard Lilly, John Bergen, and Owen Russell. The untimely death in January of Officer Theodore W. Turner deprived us of one of our oldest men in time of service. Officer John Bergen was hired to fill this vacancy. Officer Richard Lilly resigned to enter private business, and Officer Owen Russell was hired to replace him. Officer Bergen resigned near the end of the year to enter private business, and Officer Vernon Robinson was hired to fill this vacancy. On December 31 Officer Donald Berry was



*Durham's Armistice Day parade November 11, 1918, featured this wagon carrying Student Training Corps members ringing the old school bell which is now on exhibit at the Durham Museum.*

hired as an additional officer for the year 1969. Officer Robert Hollis was promoted to Sergeant effective January 1, 1969. Sgt. John Chick is still recuperating at home from injuries sustained when he was struck by a motor vehicle while on traffic duty in 1966. He has had several leg operations over the past two years.

Road patrol for this year has been expanded with the use of the regular cruiser manned 24 hours per day and the unmarked cruiser used by the Inspector's Division when patrol demands require it.

The "remote control" radio system is still being used and is located at the Chief's home, where it is monitored by both the Chief and his wife. This remote station allows the Chief to be in instant contact with his officers at any hour. Planned in the near future is a new Town radio dispatching service which will be located in the Durham-U.N.H. Fire Department. A dispatcher will man this unit during the hours that the Town Hall is closed: lunch hours, Saturdays, Sundays, holidays, and each night from 5 p.m. until 9 a.m. This new system will eliminate the telephone recorder service now in use and will enable the public to call in and talk "live" on a 24-hour basis. The officers on foot patrol will also be able to receive messages from this control center on the portable walkie-talkie now carried.

The department also maintains a radio unit in the home of Lt. McGowen for his immediate dispatch when needed. This unit can also be installed quickly in any motor vehicle for an additional listening unit.

Presently the State Police are establishing more modern radio network which will enable all towns purchasing the new type radios to have much improved communications. This new network will enable our police departments to call directly to Concord State Police Headquarters, Troop A State Police located in Exeter, car-to-car, and to any other town or city department such as Dover and Lee's police departments. Presently all emergency calls go through Concord

State Police and are relayed by them to the Town Cruiser needed to answer the call.

Constant efforts are being made to improve the efficiency of our Department. Lt. Inspector McGowen is presently enrolled in a most worthwhile course in Basic Criminalistics at St. Anselm's College in Manchester. It is planned that at least two members of the Department will attend schools conducted by the N. H. State Police in the near future. The Durham Police Association, whose members include, in addition to the full-time policemen, six Durham Specials, members of the U.N.H. Security Department, and the policemen from the Town of Lee, holds regular monthly meetings.

At each of their meetings a prepared program is presented in some area of police work.

There were 176 accidents in 1968, with two fatalities and 40 requiring medical attention for injuries. The radar equipment has helped control the speeding violations (with 90 summonses for speeding and 75 warnings issued), but it cannot eliminate motor vehicle accidents. Again, *safety on our roads can be increased only as driving habits improve.*

The Department's 1967 report covered the problems created by heavy traffic in early morning and late afternoon. School foot traffic is heaviest during the morning hours. 1968 saw the crosswalks newly painted with an additional crosswalk on Madbury Road opposite the Catholic Church recreation hall. This enables children to cross over to the Post Office sidewalk and continue up to Main Street. This area is still troublesome. The new sidewalks put in along the east side of Madbury Road to Woodman Avenue and along Dennison Road have helped to eliminate the number of children crossing on Madbury Road. Walking habits still must be improved by the children to further insure safety.

#### CLASSIFICATIONS

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| Parking violations | 3,589 |
| Buildings checked  | 308   |

|                                   |              |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Traffic investigations            | 1,767        |
| Defective equipment tags issued   | 54           |
| Aid-rendered to citizens          | 1,279        |
| Accidents covered                 | 176          |
| Motor vehicle arrests made        | 21           |
| Criminal arrests made             | 31           |
| Summons to court issued           | 291          |
| Motor vehicle warnings issued     | 295          |
| Citizen complaints answered       | 225          |
| Aid rendered to other agencies    | 411          |
| Criminal investigations conducted | 93           |
| Escorts provided                  | 11           |
| Animals destroyed                 | 3            |
| Misc.                             | 11           |
| <b>Totals</b>                     | <b>8,565</b> |

#### ACCIDENTS COVERED:

|                    |            |
|--------------------|------------|
| One (1) vehicle    | 78         |
| Two (2) vehicles   | 88         |
| Three (3) vehicles | 8          |
| Four (4) vehicles  | 2          |
| <b>Totals</b>      | <b>176</b> |

#### PERSONS INJURED:

40

#### SUMMONS ISSUED:

|                          |     |
|--------------------------|-----|
| Yellow line              | 10  |
| Speeding                 | 117 |
| Restricted night parking | 2   |
| Stop-signs               | 34  |
| Unsafe tires             | 11  |
| Passing a school bus     | 1   |
| Non-inspections          | 29  |
| One way street           | 3   |
| Failing to keep right    | 3   |

SUMMONSES CON'T:

|   |       |
|---|-------|
| Operating without a license                   | 12    |
| Littering the streets                         | 1     |
| No protective lenses while oper. a motorcycle | 6     |
| Defective equipment motor vehicle             | 4     |
| Unregistered motor vehicles                   | 17    |
| Improper license                              | 4     |
| Operating to endanger                         | 1     |
| Failing to notify Director change of address  | 1     |
| Leaving the scene of an accident              | 1     |
| Possession of alcohol                         | 3     |
| Allowing unlicensed person to operate         | 2     |
| Operating without a commercial license        | 1     |
| Failing to display proper plates              | 5     |
| Disorderly conduct                            | 2     |
| Excessive smoke from a motor vehicle          | —     |
| Unnecessary noise                             | 5     |
| Towing without a tow bar                      | 1     |
| Operating without taillights                  | 1     |
| Operating without exhaust system              | 1     |
| Excessive speed                               | 5     |
| Willful concealment                           | 1     |
| Allowing operation with bald tires            | 1     |
| Improper turning movement                     | 1     |
| Reckless operation motor vehicle              | 1     |
| Illegal possession narcotics                  | 3     |
| Impeding traffic motor vehicle                | 1     |
|   | <hr/> |
|   | 291   |

CITIZENS COMPLAINTS ANSWERED:

|                                     |    |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Lost personal property              | 5  |
| Larceny of bikes                    | 11 |
| Larceny of motor vehicles           | 9  |
| Larceny of motor vehicle parts      | 11 |
| Grand larceny                       | 4  |
| Larceny from within a motor vehicle | 2  |

|  |    |
|--|----|
| Larceny of motor vehicle plates          | 2  |
| Larceny of a motorcycle                  | 2  |
| Larceny of gasoline from a motor vehicle | 1  |
| Larceny of construction supplies         | 5  |
| Malicious damage                         | 35 |
| Breaking and entering buildings          | 9  |
| Illegal entry into buildings             | 1  |
| Missing persons                          | 8  |
| Lewdness                                 | 2  |
| Assault and battery                      | 9  |
| Petty Larceny                            | 13 |
| Suspicious persons                       | 3  |
| Hit and run property damage              | 8  |
| Attempted suicide                        | 1  |
| Reckless operation of a motor vehicle    | 7  |
| False report of a bomb                   | 1  |
| Prowler                                  | 1  |
| Dead animals                             | 1  |
| Animal complaints                        | 24 |
| Trespassing                              | 2  |
| Dogs chasing deer                        | 1  |
| Disturbing the peace-noise parties       | 3  |
| Dumping rubbish public place             | 5  |
| Telephone and electric wires down        | 1  |
| Boys shooting arrows at people           | 1  |
| Indecent exposure                        | 1  |
| Motor vehicle road racing                | 1  |
| Try and locate people                    | 5  |
| Larceny from buildings                   | 7  |
| Larceny of a rowboat                     | 1  |
| Possible arson                           | 1  |
| Larceny of private signs                 | 3  |
| Motor vehicle tailgating                 | 1  |
| Disorderly conduct public place          | 2  |
| Abandon motor vehicle                    | 3  |
| Boat accident                            | 1  |
| Failing to stop for a school bus         | 1  |
| Bad checks                               | 2  |

COMPLAINTS CON'T:

|                           |       |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Speeding                  | 1     |
| Drunk on public road      | 1     |
| Driving while intoxicated | 1     |
|                           | <hr/> |
|                           | 220   |
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|--|-------|
| 2 volumes 4a nd 4A to NHRSA                                      | 50.00 |
| 1000 complaints & 500 warrants                                   | 79.30 |
| Check book for Bail Account                                      | 2.00  |
| Postage  | 12.00 |
| Judge McIntire — postage<br>& phone                              | 10.00 |
| Clerk's Bond   | 10.00 |
| N. H. Association of Municipal<br>& District Court Judges — Dues | 10.00 |

\$236.45

**Durham District Court**

*Receipts*

|                               |           |            |
|-------------------------------|-----------|------------|
| Balance on hand               |           |            |
| January 1, 1968               | \$ 100.00 |            |
| Receipts, fines & forfeitures | 7,251.25  |            |
| Bail                          | 260.00    |            |
| Peace Bond                    | 100.00    |            |
|                               |           | \$7,711.25 |

*Disbursements*

|   |          |            |
|---|----------|------------|
| State Motor Vehicle   |          |            |
| Department  | 1,986.70 |            |
| Expenses of the Court   | 236.45   |            |
| Witness fees  | 258.08   |            |
| Bail sent to Superior Court                                   | 260.00   |            |
| Town of Durham  | 4,740.02 |            |
| Return of fine (Paid in both<br>District and Superior Courts) | 25.00    |            |
| Drawing of blood  | 5.00     |            |
| Return of Peace Bond  | 100.00   |            |
| Balance on hand   |          |            |
| December 31, 1968   | 100.00   |            |
|   |          | \$7,711.25 |

*Court Expenses*

|                             |         |
|-----------------------------|---------|
| Bank Service Charges        | \$ 6.25 |
| 200 Waiver of Hearing forms | 8.50    |
| Rights in Court folders     | 48.40   |

*Total Number of Complaints*

|   |            |     |
|---|------------|-----|
| Felonies  | 9          |     |
| Misdemeanors                                    | <u>504</u> |     |
|   |            | 513 |
| Assault and battery                             |            | 2   |
| Being present where narcotic<br>drugs were kept |            | 1   |
| Derisive words                                  |            | 2   |
| Disorderly conduct                              |            | 1   |
| Drunk   |            | 1   |
| Failure to appear in answer to a summons        |            | 3   |
| Illegal possession                              |            | 12  |
| Attempted larceny                               |            | 1   |
| Petty larceny                                   |            | 3   |
| Larceny by false pretenses                      |            | 1   |
| Making abusive telephone call                   |            | 1   |
| Malicious damage                                |            | 5   |
| Minor misrepresenting age                       |            | 2   |
| Motor vehicle - State                           |            | 402 |
| Motor vehicle - Town                            |            | 50  |
| Pulling up "No Parking" signs                   |            | 1   |
| Throwing trash on highway                       |            | 4   |
| Wilful concealment                              |            | 12  |

RADAR REPORT  
YEAR END, 1968

|                                      |          | MONTH           | SUMMONSES | WARNINGS  |
|--------------------------------------|----------|-----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Breaking and entering with intent    | 1        |                 |           |           |
| Injuring public utility              | 5        |                 |           |           |
| Grand larceny                        | 2        |                 |           |           |
| Unlawful possession of narcotic drug | <u>1</u> |                 |           |           |
|                                      | 513      |                 |           |           |
| Bound over for Superior Court        | 5        | January         | —         | 1         |
| Continued for sentence               | 2        |                 |           |           |
| Defaulted                            | 7        | February        | 10        | 5         |
| Dismissed                            | 6        |                 |           |           |
| Found guilty                         | 453      | March           | 15        | 15        |
| Found not guilty                     | 3        |                 |           |           |
| Forfeited bail                       | 2        | April           | 8         | 9         |
| Forfeited bail and found guilty      | 1        |                 |           |           |
| Motion to quash granted              | 1        | May             | 13        | 11        |
| No finding                           | 4        |                 |           |           |
| Nol Pross                            | 19       | June            | 5         | 8         |
| Placed on file                       | 7        |                 |           |           |
| Transferred to Superior Court        | 2        | July            | 5         | 9         |
| Waived hearing                       | <u>1</u> |                 |           |           |
|                                      | 513      | August          | 6         | 5         |
| Pleaded not guilty                   | 55       |                 |           |           |
| Appealed                             | 12       | September       | 11        | 2         |
|                                      |          | October         | 11        | 4         |
|                                      |          | November        | 5         | 4         |
|                                      |          | December        | <u>1</u>  | <u>2</u>  |
|                                      |          |                 | <u>90</u> | <u>75</u> |
|                                      |          | 1967 Comparison | 76        | 105       |

*Beverly R. Burrows*  
*Clerk of Court*

# Town Treasurer

## I Town account for the period ending December 31, 1968

|  |    |                   |
|--|----|-------------------|
| Balance, January 1, 1968               | \$ | 278,919.70        |
| U.S. Treasury Bills due June 6, 1968   |    | <u>77,743.20</u>  |
| Receipts:                              | \$ | 356,662.90        |
| Interest and Dividends Tax             | \$ | 29,087.97         |
| Reimbursements: Head Tax               |    | 52.63             |
| Forest Fire                            |    | 110.28            |
| (water pollution) Project R.7          |    | 1,274.00          |
| Project C.29                           |    | 31,155.00         |
| Road Toll Refunds                      |    | 1,270.43          |
| Rooms & Meals Tax                      |    | 10,291.24         |
| Savings Bank Tax                       |    | 3,949.19          |
| Building Permits                       |    | 1,310.00          |
| Subdivision Fees                       |    | 124.00            |
| Parking Permits                        |    | 75.00             |
| Pistol Permits                         |    | 34.00             |
| Septic Tank Inspection Fees            |    | 450.00            |
| Sewer Entrance Fees                    |    | 5,073.30          |
| District Court                         |    | 4,740.02          |
| Police Department (Fines, etc.)        |    | 3,511.13          |
| UNH Share Sewer Bond Payment           |    | 4,588.19          |
| Sewer Contra Account                   |    | 18,913.64         |
| Sewer Department                       |    | 2,252.16          |
| Water Department                       |    | 733.37            |
| Interest on Treasury Notes             |    | 4,449.60          |
| Rental of Town Property                |    | 240.00            |
| Sale of Town Property                  |    | 348.80            |
| Cemetary Committee                     |    | 1,091.05          |
| Trust Funds                            |    | 142.15            |
| Workman's Compensation Payments        |    | 306.58            |
| Postage, Contra Selectmen's Expenses   |    | 30.00             |
| Tax Anticipation Notes Interest Rebate |    | 88.89             |
| Workman's Compensation Premium Refund  |    | 93.00             |
| Refunds — Merchandise Returned         |    | 64.85             |
| Recovery of Town Funds                 |    | 81.00             |
| Temporary Loans, Durham Trust Co.      |    | <u>200,000.00</u> |

|   |    |                                |
|---|----|--------------------------------|
| Total Receipts                                      |    | <u>325,931.47</u>              |
| Sub-total   | \$ | 604,851.17                     |
| Received from Tax Collector                         |    |                                |
| Head Taxes, 1966                                    | \$ | 5.00                           |
| Head Taxes, 1967                                    |    | 1,335.00                       |
| Head Taxes, 1968                                    |    | 7,955.00                       |
| Head Taxes, Penalties                               |    | 150.00                         |
| National Bank Stock Taxes                           |    | 261.65                         |
| Poll Taxes, 1966                                    |    | 2.00                           |
| Poll Taxes, 1967                                    |    | 454.00                         |
| Poll Taxes, 1968                                    |    | 2,526.00                       |
| Property Taxes, 1967                                |    | 33,013.73                      |
| Property Taxes, 1968                                |    | 971,722.61                     |
| Tax Sales Redeemed                                  |    | 2,088.46                       |
| Interest  |    | 952.47                         |
| Sewer Entry, 1966                                   |    | 60.00                          |
| Sewer Entry, 1967                                   |    | 172.50                         |
| Sewer Entry, 1968                                   |    | 4,512.50                       |
| Yield Taxes   |    | <u>119.66</u>                  |
| Total Receipts, Tax Collector                       |    | 1,025,330.58                   |
| Received from Town Clerk                            |    |                                |
| Copies Vital Statistics                             |    | 79.00                          |
| Discharges  |    | 11.00                          |
| Dog Licenses  |    | 925.75                         |
| Filing Fees   |    | 29.00                          |
| Marriage Licenses                                   |    | 185.00                         |
| Motor Vehicle Permits, 1967                         |    | 615.86                         |
| Motor Vehicle Permits, 1968                         |    | 37,541.15                      |
| Pole Licenses                                       |    | 28.00                          |
| UCC Filings   |    | 384.00                         |
| Writ  |    | 1.00                           |
| Title   |    | 287.00                         |
| Title Applications                                  | \$ | <u>133.00</u>                  |
| Total Receipts, Town Clerk                          |    | 40,219.76                      |
| TOTAL RECEIPTS, INCLUDING BALANCE                   | \$ | 1,748,144.71                   |
| Paid Out on Selectmen's Orders                      |    | <u>1,324,917.59</u>            |
| Balance December 31, 1968, including Treasury Notes | \$ | 423,227.12                     |
|   |    | <i>Margaret M. Christensen</i> |
|   |    | <i>Treasurer</i>               |

## II. Sewer Department

Balance, January 1, 1968 \$ 3,551.55

### Receipts:

Sewer Maintenance \$ 18,725.65  
UNH Sewer Maintenance 19,883.85  
Payroll Reimbursement 33.16  
Insurance Settlements 421.10

Total Receipts 39,063.76

Total Receipts Including Balance 42,615.31

Paid Out on Selectmens' Orders 38,522.75

Balance, December 31, 1968 \$ 4,092.56

## III. Sewer Bond Account

Balance, January 1, 1968 \$ 25,028.12

### Receipts:

Interest mm 530.06

Total Receipts Including Balance 25,558.18

Paid out on Selectmens' Orders (less void check) 9,338.59

Balance, December 31, 1968 \$ 16,219.59

## IV. College Brook Interceptor Account, Durham Trust Co.

Receipts: Note Proceeds \$ 150,000.00

Paid out on Selectmen's Orders 572.78

Balance, December 31, 1968 \$ 149,427.22

*Margaret M. Christensen  
Treasurer*

## V. Water Department

Balance, January 1, 1968, Checking Account \$ 5,786.13

### Receipts:

Sale of Water \$ 27,060.07

Sale of Services 19.17

Sewer Department 487.14

Hydrant Rentals 660.00

University of N. H. 5,480.95

Total Receipts 33,707.33

Total Receipts Including Balance 39,493.46

Paid Out on Selectmens' Orders 31,948.20

Balance, December 31, 1968, Checking Account \$ 7,545.26

Savings Account, Balance, January 1, 1968 \$ 1,369.48

Receipts: Dividend, June 30, 1968 \$ 30.80

Dividend, December 31, 1968 31.50

Total Receipts 62.30

Total Receipts Including Balance 1,431.78

Balance, Dover Federal Savings & Loan,

December 31, 1968 \$ 1,431.78

Total Water Department Funds, December 31, 1968 \$ 8,977.04

*Margaret M. Christensen  
Treasurer*

## Health Officer

No serious outbreaks of communicable diseases were reported to the Health Officer during the year.

Supervision of the sanitary quality of the water and milk supplies was continued and attention was given to maintaining good sanitary conditions in our Durham restaurants and stores.

Our program of inspection and approval of septic tank disposal systems was continued for all new homes in Durham not serviced by the Town sewerage system.

Numerous requests were received for approval of International Certificates of Vaccination for foreign travel and several nuisance complaints investigated.

*L.W. Slanetz*



*The Hardy-Philbrick block about 1923. Except for the disappearance of the Marshall House, the building in the middle which housed*

*students, the looks of Main Street is about the same. There have been changes in the business establishments, however.*

## Fire Commissioners

The Durham – UNH Fire Department responded 297 times during the year 1968 under the able direction of its officers and men supplemented by an exceptionally well trained and devoted corps of volunteers. As the year closed the following comprised the permanent firemen: Chief John Donovan, Deputy Chief Alfred Grimes, Captain Roland La Roche; Privates: James Breslin, Wayne French, Robert Freeman, Joseph Petty and Joseph Polazzi.

A Joint Dispatch Center, housed in the Durham – UNH Fire Station on the Campus of the University of New Hampshire is planned and hopefully will be in operation shortly.

Appropriations by each of the agencies provided for employing two additional firemen on an equal participation basis instead of employing a series of dispatchers on shifts to cover those hours not normally covered by the respective agencies served. All firemen are participating in manning the Center on a twenty-four hour basis for the following agencies:

- |                                       |                               |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Durham – UNH Fire Department       | 868-5531<br>868-5511 ext. 390 |
| 2. Durham Police Department           | 868-2324                      |
| 3. UNH Campus Security                | 868-5511 ext. 512             |
| 4. UNH Supt. of Prop. Emergency Calls | 868-5511 ext. 218             |
| 5. Durham Ambulance Corps             | 868-5531<br>868-5511 ext. 390 |

Operating details are not yet firmed up for all of these departments. The important feature, however, is that when you dial the numbers listed you will receive a live answer by someone capable of action in your behalf and trained to respond to emergency situations.

The Center has radio capability to three radio equipped trucks; Durham's police vehicles and the Police Station located

in the Town Hall; the University police cruiser and Security Office; the University's radio-equipped maintenance vehicles, personnel receivers, and the Work Control Center; and finally but of considerable importance, the MacGregor Memorial Ambulance.

Mutual Aid radio contact is included in the efficient air conditioned Dispatch Center facility. The isolation of the dispatcher provides for less confusion in a more commanding location than was previously possible.

Fire losses in Durham were estimated at \$76,000 for 1968 with the major portion occurring at the Theta Chi and Donovan barn fires in August and May.

Currently a direct tie-in from local alarms in fraternity and sorority houses is being installed to annunciator panel in the Dispatch Center. Several similar systems in frame buildings owned by the University are also included. Studies are under way which, when implemented, will tie-in University residence halls. The obvious advantages cannot be over emphasized for it is the first few minutes that make the big difference in fire fighting. An instant alarm at the fire station reduces those few minutes and saves lives and property.

Cooperation has always been the rule when the citizens of Durham reacted to the fire department. This rule is still holding. For this the Fire Commissioners join the men of the Department in saying "thank you".

This report would be remiss in its responsibility to you if it did not recognize the 24 years of devoted service Richard W. Daland gave as a fire commissioner and which terminated in 1968. His leadership has brought the Department into its own place in the Sun. The equipment and esprit de corps of all facets of the Durham – UNH Department are visible evidence of his interest and untiring efforts. And for these things the Commissioners join the men of the Department in saying "Thank you, Dick".

*Norman Stiles  
L. Franklin Heald  
Eugene H. Leaver, Chairman*



*The wreck of the St. John to New York express in 1905 when the engine struck a broken rail. No one was killed and only a few injured. The Boston & Maine tracks then cut through the campus along Edgewood Road, adjacent to Spaulding Life Science building, and along the road between the Forest Park buildings. The derailed cars lie where the Forest Park apartments are now.*

## George Ffrost

### Temperance Association

|                                 |             |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Cash on Hand                    | \$ 27.78    |
| Received From Dues              | 6.00        |
| Received from trust Fund        | 125.00      |
| <i>Expenditure</i>              |             |
| Sick benefits to Members        | \$108.00    |
| Home Health Association, Durham | 10.00       |
| Christian Civic League          | 5.00        |
| Spaulding Youth Center          | 5.00        |
| Postage & Handling              | <u>3.00</u> |
|                                 | \$131.00    |

*Ira E. Thompson*

## Trustee of Trust Funds

Following a year of unusual activity at the Doe Farm, the Smith Chapel and the Anna Woodman cemetery, the past

year has been one of consolidation of gains for the Town Trust Funds.

Whenever possible, the Trustees are moving principal funds into investments now available which provide somewhat higher yields than those available when most of the trust funds were established, but this opportunity is offered only occasionally.

Income from the older trust funds continues, therefore, to be too little in many cases to provide as much maintenance work as would be desirable in the outlying cemeteries.

In one case - that of the Anna Woodman Fund - a descendant of the original donor has supplemented the fund with a substantial additional donation of principal. The new donor is Mr. Harold K. Weathers of Arlington, Massachusetts. The result has been an increase of income during the past year and in future years to improve further the appearance of the cemetery at the end of Woodman Road.

It is hoped that others may be able to follow Mr. Weathers' example during this inflationary period of the nation's economy.

# Trust Funds

## As of December 31, 1968

| Date Created | Name of Trust Fund         | Purpose of Trust Fund       | How Invested    | Principal              |                   |                   | Income           |                        |                    |                      |                  |
|--------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------|
|              |                            |                             |                 | Balance Beginning Year | New Funds Created | Gains or (Losses) | Balance End Year | Balance Beginning Year | Income During Year | Expended During Year | Balance End Year |
| 1881         | George Frost Fund          | Promote Temperance          | Bonds & Savings | \$3,250.00             | \$                | \$                | \$ 3,250.00      | \$ 562.05              | \$ 209.48          | \$ 125.00            | \$ 646.53        |
| 1889         | Anna Woodman               | Cemetery care               | Bonds & Savings | 800.00                 |                   |                   | 800.00           | 58.73                  | 34.46              | 10.00                | 83.19            |
| 1892         | Sarah E. Griffiths         | Cemetery care               | Bonds & Savings | 300.00                 |                   |                   | 300.00           | 569.15                 | 34.90              | 10.00                | 594.05           |
| 1897         | Lydia Simpson              | Cemetery care               | Bonds & Savings | 100.00                 |                   |                   | 100.00           | 30.32                  | 5.24               | —                    | 35.56            |
| 1899         | George W. Furness          | Cemetery care               | Bonds & Savings | 100.00                 |                   |                   | 100.00           | 110.92                 | 8.50               | —                    | 119.42           |
| 1903         | Susan R. Wilson            | Cemetery care               | Bonds & Savings | 100.00                 |                   |                   | 100.00           | 83.63                  | 7.40               | —                    | 91.03            |
| 1907         | Alice & Ella Hayes         | Cemetery care               | Bonds & Savings | 100.00                 |                   |                   | 100.00           | 22.69                  | 4.94               | —                    | 27.63            |
| 1909         | Olinthus Doe               | Care of Farm Bal. to School | Bonds & Savings | 4,586.44               |                   |                   | 4,586.44         | 38.51                  | 227.82             | —                    | 266.33           |
| 1911         | Olive Wiggin               | Cemetery care               | Bonds & Savings | 100.00                 |                   |                   | 100.00           | 168.31                 | 12.86              | —                    | 181.17           |
| 1911         | Abbie Mathes               | Cemetery care               | Bonds & Savings | 300.00                 |                   |                   | 300.00           | 451.63                 | 30.14              | 10.00                | 471.77           |
| 1914         | Mary A. Burnham            | Cemetery care               | Bonds & Savings | 100.00                 |                   |                   | 100.00           | 62.71                  | 6.54               | —                    | 69.25            |
| 1916         | Moses G. Woodman           | Cemetery care               | Bonds & Savings | 100.00                 |                   |                   | 100.00           | 21.79                  | 4.90               | —                    | 26.69            |
| 1927         | Durham Town Cemetery       | Cemetery care               | Bonds & Savings | 7,616.11               | 887.50            |                   | 8,503.61         | 652.27                 | 1,230.79           | 1,097.05             | 786.01           |
| 1928         | Forrest S. Smith Cemetery  | Cemetery care               | Bonds & Savings | 500.00                 |                   |                   | 500.00           | 129.46                 | 18.52              | —                    | 147.98           |
| 1932         | Smith Town Improvement     | Town Improv.                | Bonds & Savings | 5,000.00               |                   |                   | 5,000.00         | 2,172.76               | 195.30             | 60.90                | 2,307.16         |
| 1953         | William J. Drew            | Cemetery care               | Savings acc't   | 100.00                 |                   |                   | 100.00           | 37.17                  | 5.52               | —                    | 42.69            |
| 1957         | Bickford Memorial          | His. research               | Savings acc't   | 80.00                  |                   |                   | 80.00            | 29.38                  | 4.40               | —                    | 33.78            |
| 1962         | Margaret D. Croghan        | Cemetery care               | Savings acc't   | 500.00                 |                   |                   | 500.00           | 93.21                  | 23.96              | —                    | 117.17           |
| 1963         | Smith Chapel               | Chapel care                 | Savings acc't   | 5,000.00               |                   |                   | 5,000.00         | 656.73                 | 354.64             | 179.26               | 832.11           |
| 1964         | Captain Edward Griffiths   | Cemetery care               | Savings acc't   | 500.00                 |                   |                   | 500.00           | 64.48                  | 22.78              | —                    | 87.26            |
| 1953         | Durham Capital Reserve     | New Equip                   |                 |                        |                   |                   |                  |                        |                    |                      |                  |
|              | Allocated to highway funds |                             |                 | 4,347.44               |                   |                   | 4,347.44         | 922.33                 | 183.48             | —                    | 1,105.81         |
|              | Allocated to Fire Dept.    |                             |                 | 1,668.34               | 1,000.00          |                   | 2,668.34         | 27.25                  | 36.70              | —                    | 63.95            |
| 1953         | Durham Sewer Dept.         | Construction                | Savings acc't   | 1,025.33               |                   |                   | 1,025.33         | 348.46                 | 55.48              | —                    | 403.94           |
| 1964         | Durham Water Dept.         | Construction                | Savings acc't   |                        |                   |                   |                  | 1,615.98               | 73.94              | —                    | 1,689.92         |
| 1967         | Durham Conservation Com.   | Conservation                | Savings acc't   | 209.00                 | 965.00            | (96.15)           | 1,077.85         | 7.35                   | 35.95              | —                    | 43.30            |
|              |                            |                             |                 | \$36,482.66            | \$2,852.50        | (\$ 96.15)        | \$39,239.01      | \$8,937.27             | \$ 2,828.64        | \$ 1,492.21          | \$10,273.70      |

## Planning Board

During the past year, the Planning Board has held over 50 meetings, including 10 public hearings on the Comprehensive Plan, subdivisions and Zoning Ordinance revisions. The Board has taken action on 11 subdivisions and 1 site plan. We have held more than six joint meetings with planning agencies of the Town, the State and the University. The largest part of our activity has been concerned with the evolution of the Comprehensive Plan and its first by-product, the Zoning Ordinance revision.

With this report you will receive a copy of the proposed Zoning Ordinance in its final form, after amendments resulting from public hearing, as we are asking for your approval by ballot vote in this year's Town Meeting.

Any changes in a Zoning Ordinance are, of course, bound to result in the need for each voter to weigh the needs for protection of property against undesirable uses and against the sacrifice of rights for the use of one's property. In all cases, your Planning Board has attempted to reframe the present zoning ordinance in the best way, in our judgement, to meet the long-range objectives of the Comprehensive Plan. We urge you to vote in the interest of common good and the preservation of the qualities desired by the majority of our townspeople with recognition of the changes necessary to enable the Town to meet the needs of growth for citizens of all economic status.

The Comprehensive Plan, to be implemented, needs much more than a revised zoning ordinance. First in order of priority will be a complete review of our subdivision and site review regulations, both very important to the implementation of the Comprehensive Plan and the execution of our Zoning Ordinance. We also need further study and further recommendations for Town action in connection with traffic

circulation plans, new road construction and provisions for modification of Town offices.

The Planning Board wishes to express its gratitude for the support of the Durham League of Women Voters, the planning committee of the University of New Hampshire, the Parks and Recreation Committee, and the Conservation Commission as well as the State Highway Commission through their representative, Mr. Malcolm Chase, and the Department of Resources and Economic Development of the State of New Hampshire.

Since copies of the Comprehensive Plan and of the Proposed Revised Zoning Ordinance have been distributed as far as possible to every household in Durham, we urge every citizen to read and consider them. If you have any questions before Town Meeting, please call any member of the Planning Board for clarification so that you may vote with the fullest knowledge possible. This is especially important since no discussion of a required ballot vote is possible at the Town Meeting.

*Owen B. Durgin  
Marion Fogg  
Maryanna Hatch  
John B. Hrabá  
Donald M. Sumner  
Frederick Wakefield  
Alden L. Winn, Chairman*



*The town building is still the same in this photograph taken about 1920, but the house at right and the barn at left are no longer there. It was once known as the Burnham place. Later Gamma Theta fraternity, now ATO, occupied it. In the early 1920s a fire extensively damaged the house and it was torn down eventually, along with the barn. Haines Garage, which now occupies the property, was built in 1949.*

## **Town Office Building Study Committee**

The committee appointed by the Town of Durham Moderator, Francis E. Robinson, to investigate possibilities for adequate Town offices met to organize at the call of Donald Sumner on August 5, 1968, at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall. Harold Leavitt was elected Chairman and Donald Sumner was elected Secretary. The other members appointed to the Committee were Malcolm Chase, Perley Fitts and Alden Winn.

It is the Committee's considered opinion that the Cutter property at the corner of Newmarket and Mill Pond Roads is the prime site for a new Town office building, and recommends very strongly that the Selectmen proceed at once to negotiate with Mr. Cutter for the eventual purchase of this property. Once acquired, it is felt that for a comparatively small outlay of money the needed alterations could be made to meet the requirements of a new Town office building and also to make this aesthetically an area of which the Town could be proud.

It is further recommended that the Selectmen negotiate with Mr. Norton and Mr. Bessette, the owners of the two houses between the Town Hall and Schoolhouse Lane, and, if possible, arrange for immediate purchase of the Norton property and obtain an option for future purchase of the Bessette property. Upon acquisition of the Norton property, some Town functions could occupy the amount of space necessary to relieve overcrowded conditions which prevail at the Town Hall, and the remainder of the space would be available for rent. Since this would be only a temporary setup, any alterations should be kept to a bare minimum. Parking space, which is non-existent at the present Town Hall site, would be available in the yard of the Town Garage to the rear of the Norton building.

The above recommendations are the result of:

(a) Visits to the following possible sites as suggested in the "Preliminary Comprehensive Plan" prepared for Durham by the Planning Services Group, Inc. dated June, 1968, and others; namely, the Town Garage area including the Bessette and Norton properties on Newmarket Road; the Cutter property; the former Sullivan property (at the monument) and the area at the Shipyard; the new Town parking lot at the rear of ATO fraternity; and the former Osgood property.

(b) The proposed relocation of Route 108.

(c) The very obvious central location as shown on a map of

Durham using this site as a center and striking circles of a one-mile and a two-mile radius.

(d) Deliberations and discussions at the several meetings.

(e) This area would be developed as a "Town Area" as distinct from the "Central Business District."

In due time, when Town services would be moved to a new Town office building, the Bessette property should be acquired (if not done previously) and torn down along with the Norton property; the Town Garage-Public Works Yard could be moved to the Teeri property next to the incinerator. The present garage area would then be available as a location of a future fire station and/or parking.

A subcommittee of this Committee has talked with Mr. Cutter, the Nortons and the Bessettes with the following results:

1. Mr. Cutter is not interested in selling at this time since he considers his property in the light of an investment. He would, however, consider leasing to the Town for a period not to exceed five (5) years.

2. Mr. Bessette is not interested in selling since he plans to establish a barber shop in his building upon his retirement from work at Pease AFB.

3. The Nortons are agreeable to selling provided they can purchase other property in Durham within their means, close enough to the University campus to make it possible for them to rent rooms to supplement their income when they retire in two years.

In conclusion, the Committee feels very strongly that proper measures to insure Town acquisition of these properties can be delayed no longer, in the best interest of the Town, and that the Board of Selectmen should include a sum in the Town budget of sufficient size, in their estimation, for option on the Cutter and Bessette properties and the purchase

of the Morton property. If a price can be established; if not, a sum of sufficient size to cover an option on this property.

Mr. Winn has stated that the Planning Board also recommends the acquisition of the Cutter property.

## Building Inspector's Report

January 1, 1968 to December 31, 1968

| Number | Description of Permits Issued                   | Estimated Cost        |
|--------|---|-----------------------|
| 47     | New residences                                  | \$ 873,500.00         |
| 10     | Additions and alterations to residences         | 29,850.00             |
| 7      | Private residence garages and additions         | 19,400.00             |
| 4      | Additions and alterations to business buildings | 72,500.00             |
| 3      | New business buildings                          | 387,000.00            |
| 4      | Fraternity House additions and alterations      | 205,500.00            |
| 2      | New apartment buildings                         | 190,000.00            |
| 5      | New signs                                       | 2,990.00              |
| 1      | Addition to a school building                   | 470,000.00            |
| 1      | Additions and alterations to a Church           | 98,000.00             |
| 1      | Public garage — Service station                 | 25,000.00             |
| 1      | Parking lot                                     | 800.00                |
| 1      | Temporary office trailer                        | 2,500.00              |
| 1      | Demolition permit                               |                       |
|        | <b>Total Estimated Cost</b>                     | <b>\$2,377,040.00</b> |

Harry M. Fitz  
Building Inspector

## Conservation Commission

Most of our efforts in 1968 were directed toward assisting the Planning Board and the Planning Services Group in critical evaluation of the Comprehensive Plan and the Proposed Zoning Ordinance, on the basis of our 1967 review of the Open Space Report. The summary of the Comprehensive Plan provides a time table of activities for the Conservation Commission for the next several years, and should have far-reaching effect upon future development of the town.

To increase communication relative to regional problems, we sponsored the first in a series (hopefully) of meetings with members of planning boards, zoning boards, and conservation commissions from towns bordering Great and Little Bays.

In conjunction with the Natural Areas Committee of the University of New Hampshire, we've begun fruitful measures to offer long-term protection to Spruce Hole, a kettle hole bog near the Lee town line.

High on the list of priorities in the Comprehensive Plan is the Horsehide Creek-Crommet Creek Natural Corridor. Mr. Edward B. Kitfield generously has offered to the town some land bordering the creek valley adjacent to town property near the dump. During 1968, we investigated ownership of land, conducted field trips, and are currently conducting surveys of land along this corridor.

Additional activities include partial sponsoring of a survey of wildlife areas in Durham, for use in association with the Comprehensive Plan, and assistance to the Planning Board on conservation issues relative to proposed subdivisions.

*Arthur C. Borrer, Chairman*

## Parks and Recreation Committee

The Parks and Recreation Committee recommends continuation of its policy adopted in 1967 to concentrate on completing one area. Last year, Oyster River Park was scheduled for completion. However, due to the unanticipated need for mowing and maintenance funds at other areas, the major features at Oyster River Park were not completed. The budget, therefore, again includes funds for constructing the several features of the park as planned last year. The remainder of the budget essentially includes funds for maintenance and supervision.

It is the committee's firm opinion that supervision and maintenance of the parks' program has grown to the point that it is no longer possible for members of this committee to handle it on a voluntary basis. It is, therefore, further recommended that required temporary personnel be engaged and supervised by the Board of Selectmen through its Superintendent of Public Works. This committee will continue to recommend policy and programs as may be requested by the Board of Selectmen.

At the request of the Selectmen, we have represented the town on the joint Town-University committee for the Madbury Ski and Recreation Area. This committee favors Durham's participation in this program and we unanimously recommend that an appropriate article, similar to the one introduced by Madbury and Lee, be placed in the warrant for the March Town Meeting.

## Overseer of Public Welfare

Many people find it hard to believe that there are families and individuals in Durham barely getting by at a subsistence level. These people tell no one. They cut corners till there are no more corners to cut and then they are forced to beg for public assistance. They are all victims of circumstances beyond their control: a low income-earning potential, chronic illness, old age, heavy financial burdens or a combination of these.

Very few of these families are eligible for state and federal welfare assistance. Eligibility requirements are so stringent that of the thirty four million Americans living below the poverty line (this figure represents a very conservative esti-

mate) only about 7.5 million are on welfare. The standards for welfare allowances were set in the 1930's. Therefore the money paid out to welfare recipients has become so inadequate compared to their minimum needs that they must live on budgets that would tax the ingenuity of the most parsimonious among us.

Those individuals and families eligible for local welfare assistance fall into three categories: applicants who must wait for 6 weeks to 3 months before receiving state welfare assistance; applicants who must wait one year before gaining county welfare status at the Strafford County Rest Home and finally needy individuals and families who have resided in Durham for at least one year. Your welfare tax dollars for 1968 went to help seven such cases totaling twenty-three persons.



*The Pettee block built in 1900. That's the ATO house at left. There were stores on the first floor and student rooms on the other floors. It burned in 1924.*

## Librarian \*

### Durham Public Library

|                                   | 1967    | 1968    |
|-----------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Volumes in the University Library | 446,367 | 482,875 |
| Number of periodicals             | 3,452   | 3,817   |
| Durham Public Library Collection  |         |         |
| Children's books added            | 634     | 572     |
| Youth books added                 | 213     | 247     |
| Adult books added                 | 93      | 70      |
| Books discarded                   | 240     | 106     |
| Total in collection               | 8,243   | 9,026   |
| Circulation:                      |         |         |
| Children's books                  | 19,272  | 18,798  |
| Youth books                       | 2,132   | 2,254   |
| Total                             | 21,404  | 21,052  |
| Registration                      |         |         |
| Town adults                       | 1,072   | 1,175   |
| Oyster River School District      |         |         |
| Children                          | 1,095   | 1,199   |
| Total                             | 2,167   | 2,374   |

During 1968 three people capably have served the children of the community: Mrs. Rebecca Schuyler, Miss Sally Manock and Mrs. Jean Agenbroad. Mrs. Schuyler and Miss Manock substituted for Mrs. Agenbroad who was on leave until September.

Adults and children have braved the many changes dictated by the building program that will come to exciting completion by Fall 1969. The town of Durham will be better served in an enlarged Children's and Youth area and a new Browsing Room.

*Charlotte K. Anderson*  
Assistant Librarian

## Tree Warden

This past year proved a near disaster year for town elms. The State Entomologist's team has tagged 65 elms as suspect of Dutch Elm Disease. This represents a threefold increase over the previous year. The best protection for surviving elms is to see that diseased trees are removed as soon as possible. In so far as funds and cooperative effort are available, Town trees will be cut, and we will continue with the spray program next spring.

A ray of hope appeared on the horizon of the elm dilemma this past year. Research pathologists have for several years been testing individual elm trees for "resistance" to the elm disease. The Town and University have been able to secure 24 seedling trees from a tree tested at Cornell which shows resistance to the elm disease. It will take several years, however, to grow these trees to a size where they can be planted on town and University property.

Again this year, the Girl Scouts, and for the first time Cub Scouts, planted trees. These were planted beside the Junior High School wing of the Oyster River School. Several additional trees were planted on private land adjacent to public sidewalks where larger trees had to be moved to make room for the sidewalk.

When a large tree is removed and it is replaced by a small sapling, the contrast is startling. If the Town feels that a more dramatic showing is needed, then funds will need to be appropriated. The feeling of the Tree Warden, and a feeling apparently shared by the Selectmen, has been that a gradual but continuing effort in replacing trees is required. If we can obtain elms capable of resisting disease attack, then we should not be in too great a hurry to replace all of our cut elms with trees which can not match the aesthetic appearance of our graceful elms.

*Harold W. Hocker, Jr.*

## Cemetery Committee

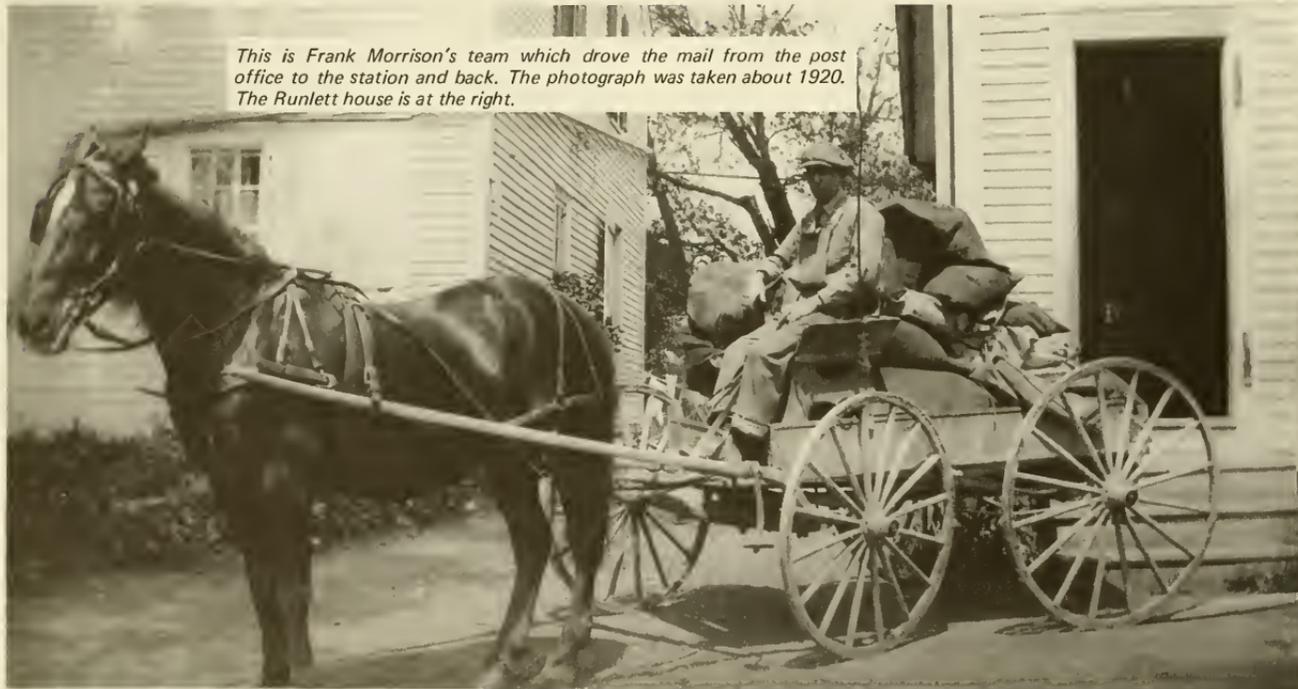
Twelve cemetery plots have been sold in the Durham Town Cemetery during the past year.

Now that the money borrowed for cemetery improvement has been repaid, the Cemetery Committee has adopted the

policy of allocating proceeds from sales one-half to principal funds and one-half to income to be used for maintenance.

The Town work crew has continued improvement work on the cemetery road which was begun last year. General appearance also has been improved with some additional grading and the growth of new grass in areas where work has been completed.

*This is Frank Morrison's team which drove the mail from the post office to the station and back. The photograph was taken about 1920. The Runlett house is at the right.*



## Durham Ambulance Corps

The McGregor Memorial Committee, its mission to memorialize Dr. George G. McGregor accomplished, has now become the Durham Ambulance Corps. The committee was established at the 1967 Town Meeting, the night after death ended the doctor's 34 years of service as Durham's general practitioner.

Once the committee's goals of raising money for the purchase of an ambulance and organizing a volunteer corps were reached, it was a natural outgrowth of the committee to carry on with the organization of the Durham Ambulance Corps.

The Corps was formally organized in February, 1968, with a group of officers, a board of directors, a set of by-laws, a 1959 ambulance which Brisson and Kent of Newmarket offered for \$1,800, and a home and dispatch center in a cooperative arrangement with the Durham-UNH Fire Department. Although the ambulance was nine years old, in comparison with the 20-year-old World War II vehicle which it replaced, it seemed like new.

Income during the year totaled about \$7,600: \$3,300 from contributions in memory of Dr. McGregor (in 1967 and 1968), \$2,000 from the Town's 1968 appropriation, \$1,300 from the University as its share of ambulance costs, and about \$1,000 in gifts for special equipment, contributions in appreciation of ambulance service, and payments from accident victims.

Expenses included, in addition to the ambulance, \$656 for insurance, \$225 for repairs and gas and oil, \$1,050 for equipment, \$1,285 for ambulance attendants, and \$175 for miscellaneous printing and postage, totaling about \$5,200. This left a balance of \$2,400.

The ambulance made 215 runs in 1968, compared with 125 the previous year. There were 130 for University personnel (students and employees on the job), 47 for Durham

residents, 5 to Lee, 6 to Madbury, and 27 involving transients, mostly from automobile accidents. The 75% increase over 1967 can be attributed partially to the new regulations which permit any person who needs emergency help to call directly to the Durham-UNH Fire Station (868-5531) and the ambulance will be dispatched. Not once in 215 calls was this new system abused. In some instances the ambulance was not needed for transportation, but the crew was able to be of some assistance.

Ambulance service is provided free to all residents of Durham, Lee, and Madbury and their guests, and to students and employees of the University. A charge of \$20 is made to transients. The service, however, extends only to the hospitals in the immediate area.

The budget for 1969, which is based on a continued increase in calls to an estimated 250, is expected to be raised by appropriations from the University and the three towns, from payments for service to transients, and from contributions by residents of the three towns.

Some 30 men and women are qualified ambulance attendants with certificates in Red Cross standard and advanced first aid and special ambulance training. Recognition is due John E. Rines, a UNH student from Wolfeboro, who has been as insistent as anyone on the high standards which the Durham Ambulance Corps has established.

The officers of the Corps are able to report, with considerable pride, that the Town of Durham now has an excellent emergency service, a vehicle gratefully named the McGregor Memorial Ambulance which is one of the best equipped in New Hampshire, and a loyal group of trained attendants. Durham's operation has been a model for the New Hampshire Municipal Association, the Dartmouth Medical School, and a New Hampshire Network educational television feature.

Officers and directors of the Corps include: president, L. Franklin Heald; vice president, James B. Holter; secretary, Alma B. Tirrell; treasurer, Glenn W. Stewart; directors, James

C. Chamberlin, Selectman of Durham; Robert L. Keniston Dr., Selectman of Lee; Joseph Cole, Selectman of Madbury; W. Kent Martling, Assistant Treasurer of UNH; John F. Donovan, Durham-UNH Fire Chief; Ray I. Burrows, Durham

Police Chief; Dr. Charles H. Howarth, University physician; Dr. Joseph Evora, Durham physician; George Findell Jr., Durham attorney; Loretta Stutz, Oyster River Home Health Association nurse; Nobel Peterson, Durham Red Cross.



*Frank Morrison's hack sometime before 1912 passing in front of the Runlett store located between Edgewood Road (then the railroad tracks) and New Hampshire Hall. The two trunks on the back are*

*evidence of the lively business he had in those days when students arrived and departed.*

## Waste Water Treatment Facilities

The Water Pollution Control Facilities that serve the townspeople and the University of N. H. here in Durham are entering into their fourth year of operation. These facilities were built in 1965 and put into operation in the early spring of 1966.

Operation of the Pumping Stations which include the Oyster River Road Station, the Ritzman Laboratory Station and the Main Station, located on the Dover Road, has been satisfactory throughout the year, although problems do arise due to the large amounts of kitchen grease which continue to plague the system.

The Waste Water Treatment Plant which is located off of the Portsmouth Road has operated successfully with few difficulties throughout the year. Spring runoff and heavy rains present a major problem with large amounts of sand (grit) etc. reaching the treatment units and causing plugging. With the new interceptor under construction at this time in town, it is felt that this problem may well be taken care of in the near future.

The following operational data is presented to enlighten the Durham taxpayer as to what these facilities are trying to provide for him.

280 million gallons of waste water was treated in 1968. This is a gain of 40 million gallons from the previous year. This water, before entering the Oyster River, was chlorinated to a high degree of disinfection with 54,000 pounds of chlorine enabling the plant to meet the standards set by the Water Pollution Commission of the State of N. H. In turn this continues to make the Oyster River an acceptable recreational water as classified by the State.

The sludge or by product removed from this waste water amounted to 4,983,211 pounds and is disposed of after filtration mainly by burial. In the filtration process, which is the removing of excess water from the sludge, a coagulant, ferric chloride, is added in excess of 6,000 pounds. Also used as a coagulant aid and for odor control was 40,000 pounds of

hydrated lime. The actual amount of sludge filtered out and buried was 1,494,963 pounds or 320 truckloads.

Inventory of chemicals on hand as of December 21, 1968:

|                 |              |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Ferric Chloride | 1,755 Pounds |
| Hydrated Lime   | 2,850 Pounds |
| Chlorine        | 636 Pounds   |

We here at the plant would like to invite the taxpayers and all interested persons to tour these facilities to get a better understanding of what is being accomplished in connection with keeping the Oyster River and Bay areas pollution free.

*Robert J. Bourke*  
Operator

## Durham - UNH Incinerator

Article 14 of the 1967 Warrant, passed at the Town meeting of March 14, 1967 authorized the Town of Durham to join with the University of New Hampshire in constructing an Incinerator for the joint use of the two Agencies on an equal participating basis.

Diligent searches for acceptable sites culminated in the utilization of a portion of the present Town Dump adjacent to Durham Point Road and a portion of land purchased as a result of a second part of Article 14 referred to above.

Subsequently a subcommittee of the Joint Town - University committee was appointed consisting of the undersigned.

Designs were obtained, bids were taken and negotiations carried out for the construction of an incinerator which is currently being carried out by the Sargent Co. of Kearney, N. J. Early summer operation is anticipated for the "shake-down" before going into full swing when the pace quickens in Durham in September.

*Donald Sumner, Secretary*  
*Howard Forrest*

*Harold Langley, Jr.*  
*W. Kent Martling*

*Eugene Leaver, Chairman*

## Oyster River Home Health Association

The Oyster River Home Health Association is a visiting nurse agency serving the Towns of Durham, Lee, Madbury and Newmarket. Incorporated on February 27, 1967 as a non-profit organization to serve Durham, Lee and Madbury, it later adjusted its by-laws at the April, 1968 annual meeting to allow the Town of Newmarket to become a participating member with equal representation on the Board of Directors and proportionate sharing in the financial support of the agency.

The Board of Directors consists of five representatives from each Town. Included in the standing committees are physicians, registered nurses, a registered physical therapist, registered dietitian, an attorney and lay persons. The administrative nurse is Miss Loretta J. Stutz, R.N., and the physical therapist is Mrs. Mary Louise McGill, P.T. The office is at #1 Madbury Rd., Durham, where the nurse can be reached Monday through Friday, 868-5055, from 8 AM to 4 PM, or through one's own physician.

Funds for the support of the Association come from grants from the N. H. Department of Health and Welfare, contributions from organizations and individuals, membership fees, and funds voted by the four Towns. Membership is available at a minimum fee of \$1.00. Memberships and contributions are tax deductible.

The officers are: President, Mrs. Georgia G. Armitage, Madbury; Vice-President, Dr. John C. Robshaw, Newmarket; Treasurer, Mr. Everett B. Sackett, Lee; Secretary, Mrs. Mildred W. Harmon, Durham.

Continued support from the four Towns through appropriations to be voted at the 1969 Town Meetings is anticipated.

## Report of the Administrative Nurse

|  | Durham    | Lee       | Madbury  | Newmarket |
|--|-----------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Health Promotion<br>(Free of Charge) (includes maternal, newborn visits) | 114       | 70        | 38       | 60        |
| Disease Control (nursing visits under doctor's orders)                   | 273       | 111       | 25       | 178       |
| Physical Therapy   | 38        | 0         | 87       | 42        |
| Not Found  | <u>81</u> | <u>17</u> | <u>9</u> | <u>48</u> |
|  | 506       | 198       | 159      | 328       |
| Total visits 1191  |           |           |          |           |

*Mildred W. Harmon*  
Secretary

## Comparative Tax Rate per \$1000 Valuation

|        | 1965        | 1966         | 1967         | 1968        |
|--------|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|
| Town   | 7.40        | 5.50         | 10.20        | 12.90       |
| School | 25.80       | 1.70         | 1.90         | 31.90       |
| County | <u>1.60</u> | <u>27.60</u> | <u>28.90</u> | <u>2.00</u> |
| TOTAL  | 34.80       | 34.80        | 41.00        | 46.80       |

# Inventory of Property Valuation

|                                 | April 1, 1968       |                     |                     |                     |                     |                     |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|                                 | 1963                | 1964                | 1965(1)             | 1966(2)             | 1967(3)             | 1968(4)             |
| Land and Buildings              | \$15,861,977        | \$16,388,060        | \$17,160,900        | \$18,658,930        | \$20,180,995        | \$21,246,540        |
| Electric Property               | 477,850             | 491,350             | 473,350             | 513,950             | 547,350             | 609,150             |
| Cows                            | 17,900              | 25,200              | 26,100              | 18,800              | 23,800              | 19,400              |
| Fowls                           | 335                 | 3,600               | 1,650               | 1,630               | 3,770               | 3,390               |
| Portable Mills - Road Machinery | 13,525              | 14,960              | 47,910              | 45,440              | 23,600              | 18,370              |
| Boats and Launches              | 31,540              | 29,640              | 19,850              | 14,750              | 13,975              | 24,490              |
| Wood and Lumber                 | 7,450               | 7,100               |                     | 12,420              | 240                 | 120                 |
| Gasoline Pumps and Tanks        | 3,250               | 3,000               | 2,850               | 2,550               | 3,450               | 3,000               |
| Stock in Trade                  | 287,560             | 278,210             | 286,370             | 293,360             | 291,930             | 299,700             |
| <b>Sub total</b>                | <b>\$16,708,587</b> | <b>\$17,243,680</b> | <b>\$18,020,940</b> | <b>\$19,561,830</b> | <b>\$21,092,260</b> | <b>\$22,224,160</b> |
| Veterans Exemptions (5)         | 66,720              | 139,000             | 148,720             | 152,720             | 199,030             |                     |
| Other Exemptions                |                     | 10,720              | 8,000               | 13,000              | 6,000               | 6,000               |
| <b>Total for Taxation</b>       | <b>\$16,641,867</b> | <b>\$17,093,960</b> | <b>\$17,864,220</b> | <b>\$19,396,110</b> | <b>\$20,887,230</b> | <b>\$22,218,160</b> |

- (1) Assessed at 100% valuation.
- (2) Tax Commission determined that assessment is at 92% full valuation.
- (3) Tax Commission determined that assessment is at 87% full valuation.
- (4) Tax Commission determined that assessment is at 85% full valuation.
- (5) Veterans exemptions figured as appropriation item in 1968 due to change in law – which now allows \$50.00 deduction from tax bill.

## Report on the Durham Swans

After spending the winter from December 1, 1967 to March 1968 on North Mill Pond in Portsmouth, Durham's swans "Alice" and "Hamilton" made several flights back to the millpond area of Durham apparently to learn whether they could find open water.

Disappointed on March 6, March 9 and various dates subsequently, they finally found what they sought on March 21 and settled in on the first ice-free area of the millpond, close to the island where they had gathered nesting material in late 1967. On March 21, Hamilton was reported by Judge Brad McIntyre to be playing "biological leapfrog" with Alice. He was also helping her gather more nesting material among the shrubbery at the upstream end of the island.

By April 15, the two birds began taking turns incubating the eggs that had been laid during the previous week or more. On May 24 their vigil was rewarded: six cygnets hatched out and, later on that Sunday afternoon, the parents led the little birds into the water to swim the length of the island and back again. One of the cygnets showed dangerous individuality — going off in directions different from those taken by Alice and the other five. Hamilton did his best to keep this sixth youngster with the group, but the following day it was gone. No one knows what got it. The remaining five stayed in a group, generally with Alice leading the way and Hamilton watchfully bringing up the rear.

On the 11th day after hatching (June 6), a second cygnet vanished between 11 A.M. and 2 P.M. It was not recovered, partly because Hamilton was behaving most aggressively — flying across the millpond to do battle with anyone coming to the edge. Probably this second cygnet was the first to die of a disease that affected two more cygnets. One of these sickened on June 9 and at 11 A.M. remained on the resting platform (the "pad") that Hamilton had built of soggy vegetation at the downstream end of the island.

Two hours later it was dead, floating in the water at the edge of the pad. In a borrowed skiff and with the help of Professor Robert Congdon, and despite Hamilton's forceful resentment of intruders on the millpond. Lorus Milne circuited the island and penetrated the weeds far enough to recover the dead cygnet for autopsy. Surprisingly, as soon as the skiff was out of the water and the body out of sight in a basket, Alice and Hamilton changed from the belligerent attitude they had shown in following the boating party, and accepted a handout of bread. The three cygnets that swam close by came to nibble at crumbs.

Following graduation ceremonies at the University and baccalaureate at the High School, Professor Richard Strout of Poultry Science examined and performed tests on the dead cygnet. The next day he reported that the bird had died from a disease akin to malaria, known as *Leucocytozoon*, that is

common among geese and ducks, and carried from infected to healthy birds by blackflies. Nothing else was wrong with the cygnet, which was a female weighing about 19 oz; her digestive tract was almost empty, suggesting that she had been too sick to eat for at least a day. The blood of the cygnet showed an extraordinary infestation with the deadly microbes. Professor Strout said that the incubation time for the disease was too long for it to have killed the first cygnet that disappeared, but the second probably died quickly of the same disease.

Another sick cygnet was removed from the pad at 7:30 P.M. on June 10 by Professor Strout, who rowed also around the island as far as the deserted nest and found there an unhatched egg, which he retrieved. Despite treatment, the sick cygnet died in a few hours — again a female, of about the same weight, with a massive infection. The added egg weighed 10 oz., which probably was about the weight of the cygnets when they hatched. For the little birds to have approximately doubled their weight in two weeks of cloudy rainy weather, despite illness that is aggravated by wet and

chill, suggests that the millpond offers young swans all the nourishment they need.

A new crisis developed during a rainstorm in noon hour on June 11. The two remaining cygnets swam too close to the dam, and were swept over it. The parents were swimming back and forth near by in the river, unable to find a way to get their youngsters back into the millpond. Howard Forrest put on his hip boots and waded out. With help from Esther Mae Forrest, Lorus Milne, Harold Nevers and Robert E. Hart, he managed to corral all of the swans momentarily in the corner where the old mill used to be. Hamilton flew to freedom, nearly knocking the wet rescue party into the water. Esther Mae carried one cygnet up the hill, Lorus Milne the other, while Howard got Alice under his arm. Soon all of the swans except Hamilton were freed into the millpond; Hamilton found his own way back.

One of the two remaining cygnets came too close to shore in the wrong place on Thursday, June 13. A large dog pounced into the water, seized the bird by the neck and killed it. Howard Forrest recovered the badly mangled body. It proved to be a male weighing 20 oz., a bird that had had the *Leucocytozoon* disease and recovered from it. Supposedly the single remaining cygnet had similarly developed an immunity to the microbes.

The remaining cygnet grew at an astonishing pace and replaced its baby down with a fine set of white feathers. Only its somewhat smaller size and gray, not orange beak, let swan-watchers recognize "Junior" apart from its parents. The adults molted too and for almost a month could not fly. But they came regularly to the edge of the pond for handouts of bread and corn provided by generous townspeople — especially Howard and Esther Mae Forrest. On Sept. 25, Hamilton and Junior flew across the millpond together. Alice waited only a moment, then took to her wings and joined them. Thereafter the three birds flew on almost every fine day.

A telephone call brought Lorus Milne to the dam in the rain at 11 A.M. on Oct. 7, to identify the swan swimming and wading among the rocks exposed by low tide between the dam and the highway bridge; it was Junior. The parents were down among the boats moored at the town landing. Probably all three had flown down as part of their practice flights and, when tide and light were right, would fly back again. Junior seemed impatient to get back to the millpond. There seemed no reason to interfere with whatever training program the parents had under way. But about 2:30 P.M., another telephone call gave the bad news: a swan had crashed into the wires above the bridge and fallen to the bridge itself. By 2:40, when Lorus Milne arrived, Fred H. Jenkins had pulled the body from the bridge to his lawn. But Junior was dead. Alice and Hamilton were swimming back and forth above the dam. Apparently all three had flown back, despite the rain and overcast, and Junior had flown low — into the wires.

Professor Strout performed an autopsy. Junior was a female, weighing 29 lbs., dead of internal injuries to lungs and liver from a hard fall to the bridge deck; she had no broken bones, no broken neck. Her wing span was 88 inches, her beak-to-tail length 56 inches, her neck length 26-½ inches, her leg length 18 inches, and her small intestine measured 15 feet long. In 136 days after hatching, she had grown to be a big bird, despite a bout with the blood disease from which she had recovered.

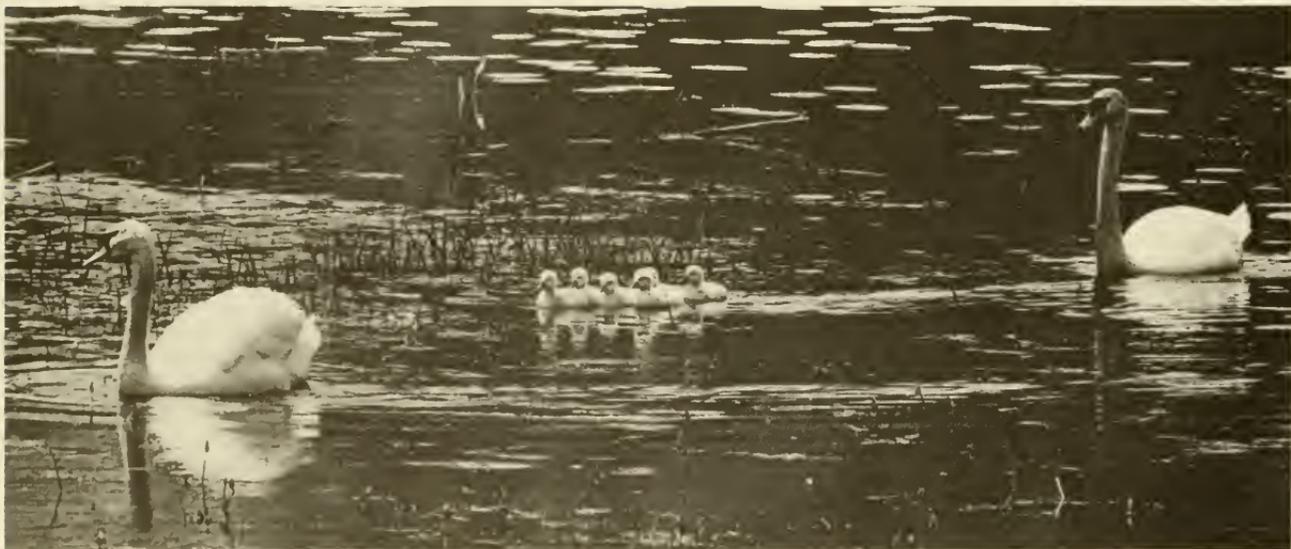
For more than two weeks, no one saw either parent swan fly anywhere. They swam back and forth over the millpond, with no family — not even one cygnet — to protect. They built and rebuilt the pad, built more pads, busied themselves in many ways. With only an occasional visit to the estuary or to the Longmarsh extension of the dammed Oyster River; they stayed in the millpond until Dec. 10, when the last open water froze over. That morning about 10, N. H. Fish and Game Officer Jim Russell and Lorus Milne walked out on the clear ice and attempted to get close enough to catch the two swans with a fine net. As though reluctant to move from

Durham, the two swans walked over the ice toward the dam, keeping a few feet ahead of the net. Then, with supreme grace and dignity, they took to their wings. Flying across the frozen millpond, they circled high over Jim Chamberlin's house. Later they set down briefly on the estuary opposite Riverview Road, where the water was open, and were duly reported by Mrs. John Wicks. By 3:00 P.M. they were back on North Mill Pond, Portsmouth, where Mrs. Riegan recognized them and telephoned Lorus Milne to keep him informed. By then, Durham children were skating on the millpond, in a throng that surely would have sent the swans to their winter quarters even if no one had attempted earlier in the day to get them into a weatherproof swan house where they could temporarily exchange freedom for safety.

We hope that before April 1969, the two swans will be

back on the millpond and nesting again. With luck, they may get a few cygnets to the flying stage. With still more luck, the cygnets may fly high enough to avoid hitting the wires. In other parts of this country and in Europe, overhead wires are the principal hazard for flying swans. In this country alone do they encounter *Leucocytozoon* in blackfly bites, almost as soon as they hatch. No way to protect them is known yet, and a 50 per cent mortality from this source is normal enough for native American waterfowl. The lucky ones, like Alice and Hamilton and two of their 1968 cygnets, become immune to the disease — but also remain a source of contagion from which blackflies can carry the microbes each spring.

*Lorus and Margery Milne  
Appointed Keepers of the Swans*



# Vital Statistics

## BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1968

| Date of Birth | Place of Birth | Name of Child       | Name of Father             | Maiden Name of Mother     |
|---------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1968          |                |                     |                            |                           |
| Jan. 1        | Dover          | Carolyn Marie       | Richard Cardinal Towle     | Marion Elizabeth Rabbitt  |
| 3             | Dover          | Jeffrey William     | John William David         | Sandra Lee Searle         |
| 19            | Dover          | Kylie K.            | Richard Lewis Mills        | Kathryn Iris Tilden       |
| 22            | Dover          | Kelly Rae           | Richard Joseph Mullen      | Linda Rita Smith          |
| 22            | Exeter         | Garth Bush          | Calvin Arthur Lewis        | Elizabeth Kimball Pennell |
| 24            | Portsmouth     | Charlotte Su-Hue    | Jason Jwe-son Kuo          | Linda Ju-yeh Wy           |
| Feb. 7        | Dover          | Laura Anne          | Jon Frederick Slusser      | Lynne Elaine Weatherly    |
| 7             | Dover          | Stephen Jonathan    | Peter Gardner Phipps       | Beverly Jean Thompson     |
| 7             | Dover          | Darren Michael      | Peter Gardner Phipps       | Beverly Jean Thompson     |
| 23            | Dover          | Kerry Lynn          | William Landale McKee      | Gretchen Ann Meisel       |
| 23            | Dover          | Sandra Claire       | David Joseph Hebert        | Beatrice Lorna Love       |
| Mar. 2        | Dover          | Benjamin David      | Edward Kenneth Tillinghast | Margaret Ann McNay        |
| 3             | Dover          | John Gifford        | Wayne Dwight Webb          | Nancy Bedwell Cramer      |
| Apr. 23       | Dover          | Christopher Moore   | John Arthur Redfield       | Linda Kathleen Grant      |
| 23            | Dover          | James Shu-Lei       | Lien Lee                   | Shu Mei Chiu              |
| 28            | Portsmouth     | Mark Edward         | Bruce Edward Hutchinson    | Elizabeth Hope McArthur   |
| May 14        | Dover          | Diana Lynn          | James Russell Kennedy      | Estelle Rae Peterson      |
| 27            | Rochester      | Stephanie Jane      | Gary Arthur Gooledge       | Carol Delia Clark         |
| June 1        | Exeter         | Maria Lynn          | Roger Lee Arnoldy          | Marian Alice Schumacher   |
| 4             | Portsmouth     | Pamela              | Joel Stephen Rutstein      | Barbara Sims              |
| 11            | Dover          | Kathleen Joan       | Eugene Arnold Savage       | Joan Alice Doy            |
| 12            | Dover          | -----               | Filson Henry Glanz         | Shirley May Robertson     |
| 16            | Dover          | Jennifer Anne       | Alan Richard Phelps        | Sandra Dunlop Munro       |
| 18            | Dover          | Kendrick Livingston | Arthur Grant Davis         | Wanda Faye Mears          |
| 29            | Dover          | Keith Ellis         | Eric Ellis Jordan          | Gail Joyce Christenton    |
| July 1        | Dover          | Lucinda Ann         | William Knehr, Jr.         | Susan Mary Drake          |
| 4             | Dover          | Gavin Patrick       | Lawrence William O'Connell | Jane Frances Lattanzi     |
| 7             | Dover          | Joyce Karen         | Kenneth Kaae Andersen      | Barbara Estelle Rowler    |
| 9             | Dover          | Rebecca Marie       | Richard Gerard Lilly       | Eleanor Frances Rowell    |
| 12            | Portsmouth     | Brette Gerard       | Arthur Richard DiMambro    | Helen Celeste Martin      |
| Aug. 6        | Exeter         | Kristen Michele     | Jacob Bradley Lentz        | Susan Jane Hampy          |

**BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1968**

| Date of Birth | Place of Birth | Name of Child      | Name of Father               | Maiden Name of Mother      |
|---------------|----------------|--------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 8             | Dover          | Bryan Denis        | Norman Denis Hawkesworth     | Lauren Lee Concon          |
| 11            | Rochester      | Edward David       | David MacGregor Burton       | Martha Allison Beck        |
| 12            | Dover          | Kristen Marie      | Herbert Stewart Moyer        | Karen Lee Kelliher         |
| 15            | Concord        | Michael David      | Douglas M. Black             | Jane Ann Noelte            |
| 15            | Exeter         | John Lawrence      | Richard Lawrence Church      | Janice Reed Walker         |
| 16            | Dover          | Peter Frederick    | Arthur Thomas Psaledas       | Elinor Genevieve Robinson  |
| Sept. 7       | Exeter         | Catherine Kimball  | Richard Kimball Sprague, Jr. | Matha Cate Thomas          |
| 8             | Portsmouth     | Thomasin Butler    | Paul Marshal Durgin          | Kay Frances Butler         |
| 18            | Portsmouth     | Pang Dian          | Stephen Shu-Tu Fan           | Audrey Kuo-Chin Chen       |
| 19            | Exeter         | Gwendolyn Beatrice | John Earl Bethel             | Bonnie Price               |
| 26            | Dover          | Julie Marie        | Steven Orvis Bresee          | Kathlene Louise Daniels    |
| 29            | Nashua         | Christine Mary     | John Anthony Lindsay         | Betty Ann Lausier          |
| Oct. 1        | Dover          | Dominic Douglas    | Thomas Henry Dale            | Marilyn Louise Peter       |
| 3             | Dover          | John Edward        | Willis Gary King             | Carolyn Sue Ihrig          |
| 8             | Dover          | Kerry Lynne        | Richard Alan Delude          | Dawn Lind McDonough        |
| 9             | Dover          | Sarah Layla        | John Obert Voll              | Sarah Lynne Potts          |
| 17            | Dover          | Jody Billings      | Peter Low                    | Marilyn Ruth Lake          |
| 26            | Dover          | Jeffrey John       | Joseph John Topping          | Lucille Ann Masciulli      |
| Nov. 1        | Dover          | Philip Marc        | Herbert John Furnee          | Diane Ruth Duncan          |
| 2             | Portsmouth     | Kimberly Ann       | John Joseph Woolley, 111     | Sandra Joyce Palmer        |
| 14            | Dover          | Jo-Anna Hegenbarth | Joseph Evora                 | Elisabeth Marta Hegenbarth |
| 21            | Dover          | Elisa Ann          | William Lawrence Mancini     | Elizabeth Papageorge       |
| 23            | Dover          | Stephenie Jane     | Jonathan Bruce Welch         | Sue Ellen Munroe           |
| 26            | Dover          | Sylvia Astrig      | Gunter Karl Wilhelm Herr     | Viola Gananian             |
| Dec. 17       | Portsmouth     | Lloyd Henry        | David Henry Chittenden       | Barbara Joyce Lloyd        |

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1968

| Date of Marriage | Place of Marriage | Name and Surname of Bride and Groom                    | Residence of Each at Time of Marriage    | Place of Birth of Each         | Name and Designation of Officiant          |
|------------------|-------------------|--|--|--------------------------------|--|
| 1968             |                   |  |  |                                |  |
| Jan. 2           | Durham            | Carleton Stevens Coon, Jr.<br>Jane Shirley Abell       | Ellsworth, Maine<br>Durham               | Paris, France<br>New Hampshire | Donald C. Babcock<br>Ordained Minister     |
| 27               | Durham            | Wayne Henry Weidlich<br>Sandra Kay Stillberger         | Durham<br>Dover                          | Massachusetts<br>Ohio          | Daniel Novotny<br>Minister                 |
| Feb. 3           | Derry             | Kenneth MacKinnon Brown<br>Janet Gail Davis            | Dover<br>Durham                          | Hawaii<br>New Hampshire        | Elsom Eldridge<br>Priest                   |
| 10               | Durham            | Jon Gilbert St. Jean<br>Christine Comstock             | Lee<br>Durham                            | New Hampshire<br>New Hampshire | Daniel Novotny<br>Minister                 |
| 17               | Durham            | Philip Walker Sidmore<br>Evelyn Elizabeth Knight       | Durham<br>Durham                         | California<br>New Hampshire    | Daniel Novotny<br>Minister                 |
| Mar. 8           | Durham            | Joseph Mitchell Arcand, Jr.<br>Lillian Agnes Pederzani | Springfield, Mass.<br>Springfield, Mass. | Massachusetts<br>Massachusetts | Phyllis Poland<br>Justice of the Peace     |
| 16               | Durham            | Victor James White<br>Barbara Joan Fazio               | Saratoga Springs, N.Y.<br>Albany, N.Y.   | New York<br>New York           | Vincent A. Lawless<br>Catholic Priest      |
| Apr. 6           | Orford            | John Albert Conde<br>Eliza Goldthwait Hall             | Lee<br>Durham                            | Massachusetts<br>Massachusetts | Rev. Robert C. Robb<br>Pastor              |
| 6                | Durham            | John Warren Rodat<br>Sharon Ann Poole                  | Durham<br>Durham                         | Missouri<br>Massachusetts      | Vincent A. Lawless<br>Catholic Priest      |
| 6                | Durham            | John Joseph Wodley III<br>Sandra Joyce Palmer          | Durham<br>Alexandria, Virginia           | Pennsylvania<br>Virginia       | Vincent A. Lawless<br>Catholic Priest      |
| 13               | Durham            | Roy Robert Stoecker<br>Diane Barbara Kastelowlitz      | Bayside, N.Y.<br>Bay Shore, N.Y.         | New York<br>New York           | Phyllis Poland<br>Justice of the Peace     |
| 20               | Durham            | John William Norton<br>Cynthia Clare Friend            | Durham<br>Portsmouth                     | Maine<br>Massachusetts         | Donald C. Babcock<br>Ordained Minister     |
| 27               | Durham            | Dale Joseph Bolduc<br>Harriett Wentworth               | Littleton<br>Berwick, Maine              | New Hampshire<br>Maine         | Vincent A. Lawless<br>Catholic Priest      |
| May 5            | Newington         | Peter Lincoln Harris<br>Carlene Kelsea Carey           | Newmarket<br>Durham                      | New York<br>Washington, D.C.   | Herbert E. Kimball<br>Justice of the Peace |
| 11               | Durham            | Richard Alan Delude<br>Dawn Lind McDonough             | Nashua<br>Durham                         | New Hampshire<br>New Hampshire | Vincent A. Lawless<br>Catholic Priest      |
| June 1           | Durham            | William Hamilton Hope, Jr.<br>Joyce Spencer Muise      | Sharon, Mass.<br>Sharon, Mass.           | New York<br>Texas              | Daniel Novotny<br>Minister                 |

| Date of Marriage | Place of Marriage | Name and Surname of Bride and Groom                        | Residence of Each at Time of Marriage | Place of Birth of Each          | Name and Designation of Officiant            |
|------------------|-------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| 1                | Durham            | Lawrence Robert Parrott<br>Elizabeth Rose Brown            | Barrington<br>Durham                  | Iowa<br>Pennsylvania            | Donald C. Babcock<br>Clergyman               |
| 1                | Rochester         | Edward Hamlin Morrison<br>Florence Elizabeth Palmer        | Rochester<br>Durham                   | New Hampshire<br>Maine          | Rev. George L. Cory<br>Clergyman             |
| 3                | Durham            | David Foster Long<br>Susan Robinson Brewer                 | Durham<br>Durham                      | Ohio<br>Massachusetts           | Phyllis Poland<br>Justice of the Peace       |
| 8                | Durham            | Heh-Sen Lin<br>Alice Ko-Chien Ho                           | Durham<br>Durham                      | China<br>China                  | Daniel Novotny<br>Minister                   |
| 8                | Durham            | Murray Lloyd Little<br>Lynne Carole Dolleman               | Durham<br>Durham                      | New Hampshire<br>New Hampshire  | Daniel Novotny<br>Minister                   |
| 9                | Durham            | Thomas Malcolm Huskie, Jr.<br>Rosemary Linda Morin         | Durham<br>Hampton Beach               | New Hampshire<br>New Hampshire  | Rev. Albert W. Snow<br>Episcopal Priest      |
| 10               | Durham            | Richard Michael Hull<br>Jean Anne Krueger                  | Manchester<br>Durham                  | Connecticut<br>Washington, D.C. | Daniel Novotny<br>Minister                   |
| 15               | Raymond           | Gerald Arthur James<br>Donna Lee Wallace                   | Durham<br>Raymond                     | New Hampshire<br>New Hampshire  | Robert H. Clement<br>Justice of the Peace    |
| 15               | Warner            | Peter Albert Moyer<br>Judith Elaine Nichols                | Durham<br>Warner                      | New York<br>New Hampshire       | Rev. Kenneth E. Nichols<br>Pastor            |
| 18               | Durham            | Bruce Michael Porter<br>Martha Lydia Heath                 | Durham<br>Dover                       | Massachusetts<br>New Hampshire  | Donald D. Moreland<br>Pastor                 |
| 22               | Durham            | John Hartford MacKenzie<br>Janice Ross Whitaker            | Reading, Mass.<br>Reading, Mass.      | Massachusetts<br>Massachusetts  | Rev. Albert W. Snow<br>Episcopal Priest      |
| 22               | Jaffrey           | Millard Frederick Martin, Jr.<br>Diane Richardson Prescott | Durham<br>Jaffrey                     | New Hampshire<br>Massachusetts  | Mario Cestaro<br>Clergyman                   |
| 29               | Durham            | Edward Lee Nickoloff<br>Eileen Mary Lanigan                | Durham<br>Durham                      | Pennsylvania<br>New York        | Daniel Novotny<br>Minister                   |
| July 3           | Durham            | Karl Heinz Schauer<br>Cheryl Jane Coffen                   | Bohuslen, Sweden<br>Falmouth, Maine   | Austria<br>Maine                | Phyllis Poland<br>Justice of the Peace       |
| 20               | Durham            | David Knight Bamford<br>Kathleen Mary Hannon               | Durham<br>Durham                      | New Hampshire<br>Massachusetts  | Vincent A. Lawless<br>Catholic Priest        |
| 20               | Dover             | Otho Sylvester Wells<br>Sandra Joyce O'Connell             | Durham<br>Berwick, Maine              | N. Carolina<br>Massachusetts    | Rev. Donald E. Macomber<br>Reverend          |
| 24               | Durham            | John Aboia<br>Ruth Virginia Scizze                         | Haverhill, Mass.<br>Haverhill, Mass.  | Massachusetts<br>Massachusetts  | Bradford W. McIntire<br>Justice of the Peace |

| Date of Marriage | Place of Marriage | Name and Surname of Bride and Groom | Residence of Each at Time of Marriage | Place of Birth of Each | Name and Designation of Officiant |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 27               | Durham            | Adrian Sampsell Curtis              | Durham                                | New Hampshire          | Vincent A. Lawless                |
|                  |                   | Susan Marguerite Roy                | Dover                                 | New Hampshire          | Catholic Priest                   |
| 27               | Dover             | Wendell Allan Terry                 | Durham                                | Massachusetts          | P. J. Morrissette                 |
|                  |                   | Susan M. Locke                      | Pittsfield                            | New Hampshire          | Justice of the Peace              |
| Aug. 5           | Durham            | Euyil Hahn                          | Durham                                | Korea                  | Donald C. Babcock                 |
|                  |                   | Ilshin Choo                         | Durham                                | Korea                  | Ordained Minister                 |
| 12               | Durham            | Joseph Michael Curley, Jr.          | Lynn, Mass.                           | Massachusetts          | Phyllis Poland                    |
|                  |                   | Jane Marie Matson                   | Haverhill, Mass.                      | Massachusetts          | Justice of the Peace              |
| 17               | Durham            | Mark Albrecht Korbel                | Albany, N.Y.                          | New York               | Winthrop F. Puffer, Jr.           |
|                  |                   | Rosemary Stella McLeish             | Albany, N.Y.                          | Scotland               | Minister                          |
| 17               | Durham            | John William Meehan                 | Portsmouth                            | New Hampshire          | Vincent A. Lawless                |
|                  |                   | Rita Yvette LeRoche                 | Durham                                | New Hampshire          | Catholic Priest                   |
| 22               | Durham            | William Tarlton Wilson              | Portsmouth                            | New Hampshire          | Phyllis Poland                    |
|                  |                   | Valerie Berrett Heinzemann          | Durham                                | New Jersey             | Justice of the Peace              |
| 24               | Durham            | Americo Ralph Cinquegrana           | Worcester, Mass.                      | Massachusetts          | Vincent A. Lawless                |
|                  |                   | Hope Frances Meader                 | Winthrop, Maine                       | New Hampshire          | Catholic Priest                   |
| 24               | Durham            | Silas Charter Weeks                 | New York, N.Y.                        | Connecticut            | Joseph B. Axenroth                |
|                  |                   | Carol Gay Tyler                     | New York, N.Y.                        | New York               | Minister                          |
| 24               | Durham            | Frederick James Jansen              | Hemet, California                     | Canada                 | Donald C. Babcock                 |
|                  |                   | Verna Ardith Webb                   | Hemet, California                     | North Dakota           | Clergyman                         |
| 31               | Durham            | David Leslie Wilson                 | Whitinsville, Mass.                   | Massachusetts          | Phyllis Poland                    |
|                  |                   | Jane Saunders Hacker                | Whitinsville, Mass.                   | Massachusetts          | Justice of the Peace              |
| 31               | Newmarket         | Donald William Pottle               | Durham                                | Canada                 | Janet M. Wiggin                   |
|                  |                   | Jacqueline Kay Marden               | Newmarket                             | Maine                  | Justice of the Peace              |
| 31               | Portsmouth        | Peter Morgan Plumb                  | Oyster Bay, N.Y.                      | New York               | W. C. Hodgins                     |
|                  |                   | Terry Louise Mullins                | Durham                                | N. Carolina            | Rector                            |
| Sept. 1          | Durham            | Daniel Parker Valpey                | N. Andover, Mass.                     | Massachusetts          | Donald C. Babcock                 |
|                  |                   | Ann Kingman Rambach                 | Durham                                | New Hampshire          | Clergyman                         |
| 14               | Durham            | David Elliot Hawkrigde              | Durham                                | Texas                  | Vincent A. Lawless                |
|                  |                   | Sabrina Bai-Ching Mao               | Durham                                | China                  | Catholic Priest                   |
| 21               | Durham            | Joseph Leo Cote, Jr.                | Durham                                | New Hampshire          | Rev. Georges L. Auger             |
|                  |                   | Karen Ann Jacoby                    | Durham                                | Pennsylvania           | R. C. Chaplin                     |
| Oct. 5           | Durham            | Rudolph Valentine Dusek             | Durham                                | Canada                 | Joseph B. Axenroth                |
|                  |                   | Barbara Anne Zulch                  | Durham                                | S. Carolina            | Minister                          |

| Date of Marriage | Place of Marriage | Name and Surname of Bride and Groom                     | Residence of Each at Time of Marriage  | Place of Birth of Each         | Name and Designation of Officiant            |
|------------------|-------------------|---|--|--------------------------------|--|
| 10               | Durham            | Jack Brown Rector, Jr.<br>Bonnie Dorell Bryce           | Alcoa, Tenn.<br>Andover, Mass.         | Tennessee<br>Massachusetts     | Phyllis Poland<br>Justice of the Peace       |
| 14               | Portsmouth        | Beverly Theodore Ward<br>Judith Dorothy Brown           | Lee<br>Durham                          | Virginia<br>Massachusetts      | P. E. O'Donnell<br>Justice of the Peace      |
| 18               | Dover             | John Louis Conroy<br>Eleanor Alice Harrison             | Durham<br>Durham                       | New York<br>New Hampshire      | William W. Tucker<br>Pastor                  |
| Nov. 1           | Gilford           | George Beattie Rochfort, Jr.<br>Phyllis Robinson Poland | Marshfield, Mass.<br>Durham            | Massachusetts<br>Michigan      | Ray A. Eusden<br>Minister                    |
| 7                | Durham            | Stephen Thomas Jeffco<br>Deborah Lee Foor               | Altoona, Penn.<br>Altoona, Penn.       | Pennsylvania<br>Pennsylvania   | Vincent A. Lawless<br>Catholic Priest        |
| 9                | Durham            | David Richard Marshall<br>Helen Edith Bushey            | Mason<br>Durham                        | Massachusetts<br>New Hampshire | Vincent A. Lawless<br>Catholic Priest        |
| 16               | Concord           | Ronald Paul Knee II<br>Patricia Diane Joyner            | Bow<br>Durham                          | New Hampshire<br>New York      | Vincent A. Lawless<br>Catholic Priest        |
| 23               | Newington         | Anthony Holland O'Malley-Keyes<br>Sydney Jarvis         | Durham<br>Durham                       | New York<br>New York           | Rev. Joseph B. Axenroth<br>Minister          |
| 30               | Durham            | Curt Runar Isakson<br>Nancy Ruth Ayer                   | Norwood, Mass.<br>Durham               | Massachusetts<br>New Hampshire | Daniel Novotny<br>Minister                   |
| Dec. 5           | Durham            | Gerald Elmer Lord<br>Margaret Prout Jose                | So. Portland, Maine<br>Scarboro, Maine | New Hampshire<br>Maine         | Bradford W. McIntire<br>Justice of the Peace |
| 21               | Durham            | William Richard Burrows<br>Julia Morse Lowe             | Durham<br>Durham                       | New York<br>New York           | Vincent A. Lawless<br>Catholic Priest        |
| 27               | Durham            | Dana Ames Skillin<br>Linda Diane Egginton               | Portland, Me.<br>Cedar Grove, N.J.     | Maine<br>New Jersey            | Daniel Novotny<br>Minister                   |
| 28               | Durham            | Alfred Wellman Homan<br>Naomi Lunt Manock               | Dover<br>Durham                        | Massachusetts<br>New Hampshire | Daniel Novotny<br>Minister                   |

## DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF DURHAM, YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1968

| Date of Death | Place of Death  | Name and Surname of the Deceased | Age | Sex | Col. | Cond. | Occupation              |
|---------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|-----|-----|------|-------|-------------------------|
| 1968          |                 |                                  |     |     |      |       |                         |
| Jan. 14       | Dover           | Emily Leah Betts                 | 87  | F   | W    | Wid.  | Housewife               |
| Jan. 25       | Dover           | Ivan Phelps                      | 89  | M   | W    | Wid.  | Mason, Farmer           |
| Jan. 29       | Durham          | Conrad L. Villiard               | 34  | M   | W    | M     | Factory Rep.            |
| Jan. 29       | Durham          | Freddie Leroy Downs              | 22  | M   | W    | M     | Truck Driver            |
| Feb. 4        | Concord         | Mabel Smith                      | 72  | F   | W    | M     | Housewife               |
| Feb. 27       | N. Berwick, Me. | Mary Naomi Blair                 | 83  | F   | W    | Wid.  | Housewife               |
| Mar. 11       | Dover           | Carl Jacob Lundholm              | 70  | M   | W    | M     | Prof. Phys. Ed          |
| Mar. 25       | Exeter          | Lena Patience LeBlanc            | 70  | F   | W    | Wid.  | Top Stitcher-Shoe       |
| Apr. 19       | Dover           | Philip W. David                  | 52  | M   | W    | M     | Electrician             |
| Apr. 30       | Alton           | Paul Tolman Blood                | 68  | M   | W    | M     | Assoc. Prof.            |
| May 1         | Dover           | Beatrice Bloom Constable         | 79  | F   | W    | M     | Housewife               |
| May 19        | Dover           | George Mitchell Moore            | 61  | M   | W    | M     | Prof. Zoology           |
| June 3        | Exeter          | Asher Capelle                    | 65  | M   | W    | M     | Research Chemist        |
| July 6        | Dover           | Lorenzo Phelps Latimer           | 71  | M   | W    | Wid.  | Assoc. Prof. -Hort. UNH |
| July 18       | Dover           | Mina L. Wetherbee                | 79  | F   | W    | Wid.  | At Home                 |
| Aug. 12       | Dover           | Flora Belle Loring               | 89  | F   | W    | Wid.  | Housewife               |
| Aug. 22       | Hanover         | Fred Silloway Palmer             | 80  | M   | W    | M     | Driller-Retired         |
| Aug. 25       | Dover           | John A. Boynton                  | 84  | M   | W    | Wid.  | Prop. Farm.             |
| Sept 8        | Dover           | Elias M. O'Connell, Sr.          | 62  | M   | W    | M     | Inst. Mech. Eng.        |
| Sept 14       | Durham          | Robert J. Smith                  | 62  | M   | W    | M     | Associated Press        |
| Sept 26       | Durham          | Elizabeth BanCampen Lockwood     | 77  | F   | W    | Wid.  | Housewife               |
| Oct. 4        | Durham          | Benjamin F. Witham               | 76  | M   | W    | M     | Mech. Eng.              |
| Oct. 9        | Exeter          | John Sanborn                     | 40  | M   | W    | M     | Assoc. Prof. UNH        |
| Nov. 28       | Durham          | James A. Brodie                  | 48  | M   | W    | M     | Architect               |





