

ANNUAL REPORTS
OF THE
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Town of Hampden



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THE PALMER REGISTER, Inc
Palmer, Mass.
1948

Town Officers --- 1947

Moderator

HERBERT L. BURNHAM

Clerk and Treasurer

GRACE L. KIBBE

Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare

NEIL S. KIBBE, Chairman, 1948

JOHN J. MORIARTY, 1949 CARL P. LARSON, 1950

Assessors

PERCY FULLER, Chairman, 1950

HOMER L. HATCH, 1948

GEORGE A. CHAPIN, 1949

School Committee

WILLIAM HARRY BURNS, Chairman, 1950

ELIZABETH BENNETT, 1949

Trustees for Public Library

GERTRUDE LYONS, 1948

ELIZABETH Q. MORGAN, 1950

ELEANOR B. McCRAY, 1949

Collector of Taxes

EMMA LYONS

Constables

ARTHUR H. GERRISH

AUSTIN HARRIS

ALTON GREGORY

Cemetery Commissioners

JOHN B. ISHAM, 1948

JULIUS L. GOTTSCHÉ, 1950

HOMER FULLER, 1949

Town Bookkeeper

HAZEL FISHER

Planning Board

E. NORTON DAVIS, Chairman, 1952

MARION WELLS GERRISH, 1948

C. KILBOURNE BUMP, 1950

ALLEN R. PHILLIPS, 1949

GERALD WITKOP, 1951

Auditor

EDITH RANSON

Tree Warden

LEROY O. HOWLETT

Forest Fire Warden

~~EDWARD J. THRESHER~~

Inspector of Animals

PERCY FULLER

Inspector of Slaughtering
EDWARD THRESHER

Sealer of Weights and Measures

WILLIAM BUEREAU

Moth Superintendent
CHARLES LEMON

Superintendent of Streets
ARTHUR H. GERRISH

Pound Keeper and Field Driver
PERCY FULLER

Fence Viewers

R. S. PEASE GEORGE PATRIC, JR.
E. NORTON DAVIS

Voters Liable for Jury Duty for the Year Beginning
August 1, 1947

JOHN J. MORIARTY	GERALD WITKOP
CARL P. LARSON	HOMER L. HATCH
EARL E. DICKINSON	CHARLES LEMON
CLAUDE GOODWILL	RAYMOND KIBBE
BEN F. LIBBY	GEORGE D. FISHER

Report of Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Hampden:

Early in 1947 the Selectmen and State Engineers made out a budget for the Maintenance of the various highways of the Town, under Chapter 81. The following represents the work done during the year:

1947 CHAPTER 81 EXPENDITURES ON ROADS

1	Springfield Road	\$ 42.89
2	East Longmeadow Road	8.00
3	Wilbraham Road	579.40
4	Somers Road	90.10
5	Ludlow Road	18.00
6	Isaac Bradway Road	0.00
7	Mill Road	68.00
8	Carmody Road	18.00
9	Main Street	241.80
10	South Road	1,163.45
11	Chapin Road	1,177.55
12	Rockadundee Road	644.67
13	Seantie Road	121.50
14	Cross Road	28.00
15	South Monson Road	370.74
16	Thresher Road	86.00
17	Discontinued 1931	0.00
18	Hendee Road	58.00
19	Howlett Hill Road	28.00

20	Stafford Road	343.99
21	North Monson Road	800.39
22	Bennett Road	548.84
23	Ames Road	2,533.97
24	Glendale Road	36.00
25	North Road	615.00
26	Mountain Road	342.17
27	Burleigh Road	44.00
28	Riverside Drive	97.33
	Signs	95.00
Total		<u>\$10,200.70</u>

ALLOTMENTS:

State	\$7,650.00
Town	2,550.00
Total	<u>\$10,200.00</u>

Construction of Glendale Road under Chapter 90 funds was resumed after 6 years of postponement during the war. This road is now of hard surface to the Wilbraham Town Line. Much ledge work and many yards of gravel hauled before the tar was applied. Before completion about 300 ft. of guard rail will have to be erected.

Also under Chapter 90, about 1200 ft. of Mill Road was widened, graded, and tarred, easterly from the East Longmeadow Town Line.

Under Chapter 90 (Maintenance) funds, the Scantic and Somers Roads were partially resurfaced.

The usual distance of hard roads or about four miles were resurfaced with asphalt after the Spring patching was completed. This was done with Chapter 81 funds.

A large section of Ames Road, or about 3000 ft. was tarred as new work under Chapter 81, as part of the State's 6 year program of improving school bus and U. S. Mail rural delivery routes. Only about 2000 ft. of Ames Road remains without the black-top surface and this section is practically all conditioned for a tar surface.

Improvements made in 1947 with special Town appropriations and Chapter 81 money were, as follows:—Bennett Road, tar surface extended 800 feet. South Road about 1000 feet gravelled and made ready for tar surface. Burleigh Road, completed widening about 1200 feet to Wilbraham Town Line. Chapin Road, new tar surface was extended about 1300 feet, and on Mountain Road, a start was made by widening and grading. However, before this road can ever be plowed with town snowplows much work remains to be done.

The highway department also assisted on the Town House water supply repairs last Summer and erected fences around fire department water holes.

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR 1948

General Government:

Legislative	\$ 10.00
Selectmen	650.00
Accounting	450.00
Treasurer	600.00
Collector	175.00
Collector's Salary	500.00
Assessors	700.00
Town Clerk	150.00
Law	200.00
Building Inspector	50.00
Elections and Registrations	350.00
Town Hall	15.00

Town House Maintenance	1,500.00
Certifying Notes	15.00

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police	\$ 200.00
Forest Fire Equipment	125.00
Sealer	35.00
Forest Fires	200.00
Forest Warden	25.00
Tree Warden	200.00
Moth Eradication	400.00
Fire House	400.00
Fire Truck Maintenance	800.00

Health and Sanitation:

Meat Inspection	\$ 100.00
Animal Inspection	50.00
Dental Clinic	400.00
Health	400.00

Highways:

Chapter 81, Maintenance	\$2,550.00
Snow and Ice Removal	1,400.00
Bridges and Railings and Highways	1,400.00
Chapter 90, Maintenance	800.00
Chapter 90, Construction	2,500.00
Street Lighting	591.96
Road Machinery	1,800.00
Garage Maintenance	125.00

Charities and Soldiers' Benefits:

Old Age Assistance	\$7,000.00
Public Welfare	2,500.00
Soldiers' Relief	1,000.00

Aid to Dependent Children	500.00
Schools	45,742.50
Library	750.00

Unclassified:

Memorial Day	\$100.00
Soldiers and Sailors Graves	75.00
Town Common	30.00
Printing Town Reports	
Insurance	1,000.00
Reserve	1,000.00
Planning Board	50.00

Cemeteries:

Prospect Hill Cemetery	\$300.00
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Respectfully submitted,

NEIL S. KIBBE

JOHN J. MORIARTY

CARL P. LARSON

Selectmen of Hampden

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

During the year 1947, I have inspected 33 pigs, and 6 beef, 1 veal.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. THRESHER

Inspector of Slaughtering

Town Clerk's Report

Dog Licensed in 1947:

120	Male	@ \$2.00	\$240.00
34	Female	@ 5.00	170.00
62	Spayed	@ 2.00	124.00
1	Kennel	@ 50.00	50.00
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			\$ 584.00

Paid County Treasurer June 1	\$267.00
Paid County Treasurer December 1	273.60
Clerk's fees 217 @ 20¢ each	43.40
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\$584.00	

4 Licensed free under Service Men's Act.

Births:

Girls	8
Boys	11
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	19

Deaths:

Female	8
Male	10
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	18

Marriages 17

Documents Recorded: 43

Library Trustees' Report

MISS GERTRUDE M. LYONS	Term expires 1948
MRS. ELEANOR McCRAY	Term expires 1949
MRS. ELIZABETH Q. MORGAN	Term expires 1950

Appropriation by the Town	\$ 700.00
Dog Fund from the Town	438.49
Available from the Holt Fund	10.05
Fines	8.25
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	\$ 1,156.79

Expended

Salaries	\$ 674.77
Books	297.66
Magazines	135.76
Incidentals	48.60
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\$1,156.79

DAY FUND

Balance in Fund Dec. 31, 1947	\$501.67
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We recommend for the maintenance of the Library for the coming year an appropriation of \$750.00 and the Dog Fund. We ask again for the reappropriation of the money turned in for fines.

Respectfully submitted,

GERTRUDE M. LYONS, Chairman
ELEANOR B. McCRAY
ELIZABETH Q. MORGAN
Library Trustees

Librarian's Report

Circulation of Books	11,016
Total Attendance	7,546
Average Daily Attendance	53
Books Bought	187
Books Donated	185
Magazines Bought	37
Magazines Donated	151

Donors of books: Mrs. Bernier, 7; Gertrude Lyons, 2; M. Gregory, 1; Mrs. Arthur Fogarty, 33; Prof. W. V. Sessions, 26; Mrs. Chas. Bennett, 83; Mrs. W. E. Robinson, 29; Mrs. Hayes, 2; Mrs. A. Reardon, 2; Janet Balder, 1.

Donors of magazines: Mrs. W. Kibbe, 55; Gertrude Lyons, 3; Althea Woods, 85; James Lyons, 6; Judy Finn, 2.

Circulation of books was divided as follows: Magazines, 1679; Adult fiction, 2831; Juvenile fiction, 4493; Adult non-fiction, 780; Juvenile non-fiction, 1233.

Registered Borrowers	368
From the School	212
Others	156
Books Reviewed by the School Children	543

State Reading Certificates issued: 95 small and 16 large.

Money collected for the loss or damage to books and paid to the Town Treasurer, \$3.99.

We added subscriptions to the following magazines: "Seventeen", "Harper's Bazaar" and "Hobbies". We dropped subscriptions to several magazines, which proved to be of little interest to our Readers.

We purchased a complete set of the new edition of the World Book Encyclopedia. It has been very popular.

Welcomed with enthusiasm, our celebration of Book Week, in November, delighted the children and friends who came to see it. We felt we were very fortunate in obtaining the services of Mr. Ted Gauthier, of Springfield, and his puppets. His performance, with his dancing accompanied by his puppets, was well enjoyed.

We have tried to meet all the requests for new books, which we welcomed. However, with the rising costs of books, we have been unable to purchase any for a month, since our funds were exhausted.

Respectfully submitted,

MIRIAM P. BRYANS, Librarian

ARLINE HOWLETT

Assistant Librarian

Report of Assessors

TABLE OF AGGREGATES OF POLLS, PROPERTY, AND TAXES AS ASSESSED JANUARY 1, 1947

Number of Persons assessed	Individuals	All	
		Others	Total
On Personal Estate Only	23	5	28
On Real Estate Only	319	3	322
On Both Personal and Real Estate	113	1	114
Total number of Persons assessed			464
Number of Polls Assessed			426
Value of Assessed Personal Estate			
Stock in Trade	\$19,950.00		
Machinery	54,022.00		
Live Stock	33,065.00		
All Other Tangible Personal Property	none		
Total Value of Assessed Personal Estate			\$107,037.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate			
Land exclusive of Buildings	\$256,650.00		
Buildings exclusive of Land	587,825.00		
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate			\$844,475.00
Total Value of Assessed Estate			\$951,512.00

Tax Rate per \$1,000.00—\$50.00

Taxes for State, County, and Town
purposes including Overlay:

On Personal Estate	\$ 5,351.85
On Real Estate	42,223.75
On Polls	840.00

Total Taxes Assessed	<hr/> \$48,415.60
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Number of Live Stock Assessed

Horses	50
Cows (Milch)	469
Bulls 13; Yearlings 58; Heifers 43; Steers 5	119
Swine	25
Fowl	5,378
All Others—Mink 150; Goats 13	163

Number of Acres of Land Assessed	12,088
(More or Less)	

Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed	408
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(Each building used as a dwelling counted as ONE
without regard to number of families housed).

TOWN APPROPRIATIONS

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1947

General Government:

Legislative	\$	10.00
Selectmen		650.00
Accounting		450.00
Treasurer		575.00
Collector		150.00
Collector's Salary		500.00
Assessors		700.00
Town Clerk		150.00
Law		175.00
Building Inspector		50.00
Elections and Registrations		200.00
Town Hall		15.00
Town House Maintenance		1,400.00
Certifying Notes		15.00
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		\$ 5,040.00

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police	\$	200.00
Forest Fire Equipment		125.00
Sealer		35.00
Forest Fires		200.00
Forest Warden		25.00
Tree Warden		200.00
Moth Eradication		400.00
Fire House		300.00
Fire Truck Maintenance		1,500.00
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		\$2,985.00

Health and Sanitation:

Meat Inspection	\$ 150.00	
Animal Inspection	50.00	
Dental Clinic	362.00	
Health	400.00	
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	\$	962.00

Highways:

Snow and Ice Removal	\$1,400.00	
Bridges, Railings and Highways	1,400.00	
Chapter 90 Construction	1,250.00	
Street Lights	591.96	
Road Machinery	1,800.00	
Garage Maintenance	125.00	
Bennett Road	500.00	
Chapin Road	500.00	
Mountain Road	500.00	
South Road	500.00	
Burleigh Road	500.00	
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	\$	9,066.96

Charities and Soldiers' Benefits:

Old Age Assistance	\$6,500.00	
Public Welfare	1,250.00	
Soldiers' Relief	250.00	
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	\$	8,000.00

Aid to Dependent Children	300.00	
Schools	40,525.00	
Library	700.00	
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	\$41,525.00	

Unclassified:

Memorial Day	\$ 75.00	
Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves	75.00	
Town Common	30.00	
Printing Town Reports	253.00	
Insurance	1,000.00	
Reserve	1,000.00	
Planning Board	30.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,463.00

Cemeteries:

Prospect Hill	\$300.00	
Art. 21 Planting Trees	50.00	
Art. 25 Hot Lunch Project	300.00	
Art. 26 Sup. Wheeler	160.00	
Art. 27 Hamp. County Imp. League	50.00	
Art. 30 Water Holes	400.00	
Art. 31 Honor Roll	35.00	
Art. 32 Reserve	319.09	
Art. 34 Emergency Lights	250.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,864.09
Total Appropriations	\$71,906.05	

Attest:

GRACE L. KIBBE

attorney.

Town Clerk

TRANSFERS VOTED FOR 1947

Art. 11. Voted to transfer the sum of \$2,550.00 from Excess and Deficiency Fund for repair and maintenance of Town Roads, and instruct the Selectmen to petition and contract with the Commissioners of the De-

partment of Public Works, under the provisions of Chapter 81, Section 28 of the General Laws.

Art. 12. Voted to transfer the sum of \$500.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund, to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for Chapter 90 Maintenance.

Art. 15. Voted to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury the sum of \$12,400.00 to cover the cost of State and County costs of Chapter 81 and 90 Highways and when re-imbursement is received be restored to the Treasury.

Art. 33 Voted to authorize the Assessors to use the sum of \$8,000.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund for the purpose of reducing the tax rate.

Total Appropriations as Certified by Town Clerk	\$74,956.05
Total appropriations voted to be taken from available funds	12,400.00
State Tax	750.00
State Parks and Reservations	64.66
Under-estimated State Parks and Reservations for 1946	24.25
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	322.14
Investigation of Veterans Benefits	546.00
County Tax \$1,720.43 plus underestimate 1946 of \$23.71 ⁵¹	1,744.14
Tuberculosis Hospital assessment	37.14
Overlay of current year	1,530.40
Gross Amount to be Raised	<hr/> \$92,374.78

Total Estimated Receipts		
Amounts Voted to be taken from		
Available Funds (Approved		
by Commissioner Long)	\$12,400.00	
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Total Estimated Receipts & Available Funds		\$43,959.18
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Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation		
on Polls and Property		\$48,415.60
Number of Polls 420 at \$2.00 each	\$840.00	
Total Valuation		
Personal Property	\$107,037.00	Tax 5,351.85
Real Estate	844,475.00	Tax 42,223.75
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Total Taxes to be levied on Polls and Property		\$48,415.60
Tax Rate \$50.00 per \$1,000.00		
Omitted Assessment		
Real Estate	\$1,480.00	Tax \$74.00
Personal Property	125.00	Tax 6.25
Poll Tax	6	Tax 12.00
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		\$ 92.25
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Total Taxes Committed on Polls and Property		\$48,507.85
Taxes Abated during 1947		
Commitment of 1946		
Polls		\$ 6.00
Real Estate		29.70
Commitment of 1947		
Polls		164.00
Personal Property		5.50
Real Estate		203.50

Number of Motor Vehicles Assessed	602
Commissioners Value	\$134,690.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	3,597.31

ABATEMENTS:

Commitment of 1947	124.28
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The Town owns the following Real Estate

Long Hill	11 Acres	\$ 100.00
North Rd.	$\frac{1}{4}$ Acre	50.00
Wilbraham Mt.	25 Acres	600.00
Wilbraham Mt.	6 Acres	100.00
Ames Rd.	6 Acres	60.00
Bumpstead Hill	40 Acres	400.00
Lookout Mountain	$42\frac{1}{8}$ Acres	1,050.00

Respectfully submitted,

PERCY A. FULLER

GEORGE A. CHAPIN

HOMER L. HATCH

Board of Assessors

Town Bookkeeper's Report

RECAPITULATION OF RECEIPTS FOR 1947

Cash Balance January 1, 1947		\$39,524.61
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General Revenue

TAXES

Current year:

Poll	\$ 686.00	
Personal Property	4,829.40	
Real Estate	34,770.25	40,285.65

Previous year:

1946 Personal Property	673.11	
1946 Real Estate	6,182.74	6,855.85

From State

Income Tax	10,382.40	
(Includes school transp. and school fund part 1)		
Corporations Tax	1,846.18	12,228.58

LICENSES AND PERMITS

Liquor Licenses	505.00
Package Store	300.00
Milk	1.50
Junk	9.00
Lord's Day	1.25
Auctioneers	5.00

Alcohol	4.00	
Pistol Permits	4.50	
Used Car	5.00	
3rd Class Auto	3.00	888.25

DOG TAXES

Collected for County		540.60
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UNITED STATES GRANTS:

Old Age Assistance	6,623.06	
Old Age Assistance Adm.	184.42	
Aid to Dependent Children	147.85	
Aid to Dependent Children Adm.	6.22	6,961.55

GRANTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS

Schools:

High School Tuition	7,367.34	
Mass. School Fund—Part 2	2,900.72	
Vocational Education	1,186.72	
Tuition & Trans. of State Wards	1,690.30	
		13,145.08

Highways:

Chapter 519—Gasoline Tax	2,284.23	
Chapter 81	7,210.92	
Chapter 90—Construction	1,000.00	
Chapter 90—Maintenance	499.85	
Division of Highways	49.50	11,044.50

Division of Standards	6.00
Department of Agriculture	17.50
State Forestry	50.00

Total General Revenue	\$ 91,973.56
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COMMERCIAL REVENUE

Dog Taxes from County		438.49
Highways—From County		3,499.66
Highways—From State		1,499.62
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax:		
Current Year	3,236.99	
Previous Year	181.86	3,418.85
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Town House:		
Cement Blocks	9.18	
Telephone	.21	9.39
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From Town:		
Road Machinery		1,115.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures		9.60
Welfare:		
Temporary Aid-State		288.33
Other Cities and Towns		410.64
Aid To Dependent Children—State		121.61
Old Age Assistance:		
State	5,129.10	
Individuals	31.40	
Meals Tax	365.02	5,525.52
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Advertising		12.67
Tax Collector:		
Petty Cash		25.00
Dental Clinic		60.25
Library:		
Book Fines		3.99

Schools:		
Telephone		1.50
Voting List		1.50
Perpetual Care Cemetery Fund		300.00
Sale of Lots and Graves		2.00
Interest:		
Trust Funds	184.69	
Deferred Taxes	171.23	
Poll Demands	12.95	
Current Taxes	11.76	
Motor Vehicle Ex. Deferred	1.19	
Motor Vehicle Ex. Current	4.99	
Post War Rehabilitation Fund	65.64	452.50
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Total Commercial Revenue		17,196.12
Refunds:		
School	50.77	
Road Machinery	15.62	
Welfare	113.29	
Cemetery	36.00	
Street Lights	49.33	265.01
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Payroll Deductions for Federal		2,202.91
Tax Withholdings		
Hampden County Retirement		251.17
4th of July Fund		13.69
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Total Receipts for 1947		\$111,962.46
Cash Balance as of January 1, 1947		39,524.61
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Total		\$151,427.07

RECAPITULATION OF EXPENDITURES FOR 1947

General Government:

Moderator—Salary		\$10.00
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Selectmen

Neil S. Kibbe	\$300.00	
Carl P. Larson	137.50	
John J. Moriarty	150.00	
John J. Flynn	12.50	
Printing, stationery and postage	22.48	
Dues	18.00	640.48

Accounting

Bookkeeper	400.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	32.33	
Auditor	15.00	447.33

Treasurer—Salary

	500.00	
Bond	30.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	13.56	
Insurance	52.50	
Dues	1.00	
Bond Exchange	3.06	600.12

Tax Collector—Salary

	500.00	
Bond	49.95	
Printing, stationery and postage	114.53	
Advertising	8.67	
Dues	1.00	
Petty Cash	25.00	699.15

Assessors

Percy A. Fuller	200.00
George A. Chapin	100.00

Homer L. Hatch	100.00	
Clerk—Alice Fuller	100.00	
Printing, stationery and postage	105.50	
Dues	6.00	
Recording Cards	19.13	630.63
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Certifying Notes and Other Finance:		
Road Petitions	6.00	
Sp'd Union—Advertising	4.00	10.00
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Law:		
Weston, Lawyer	357.90	
Pessolano, Lawyer	20.00	
Notary Public	5.00	382.90
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Town Clerk	122.11	
Printing, stationery and postage	1.86	
Bond	5.00	128.97
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Elections and Registrations		
Officers	62.98	
Printing, stationery and postage	60.50	
Street List—W. R. Breck	82.80	206.28
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Old Town Hall—Lights		3.00
Emergency Lights		203.45
Town House Maintenance		
Repairs (including extra water job)	927.86	
Supplies	75.63	
New Equipment	33.39	
Custodian	480.00	
Telephone	73.14	

Lights	579.13	
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Total Town House		2,169.15
Emergency Lights		
(Special Appropriation)		
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Total General Government		\$ 6,131.46
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police—Elected	114.85	
Special Police	26.40	
District Court	2.50	143.75
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Fire Truck Maintenance:		
Sunday Watch	96.00	
Insurance	413.72	
Gas and Oil	23.71	
Repairs and Supplies	369.27	
New Equipment	513.95	1,416.65
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Fire House:		
Lights	23.05	
Telephone	27.69	
Repairs	257.80	
Fuel	136.83	445.42
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Forest Fire Equipment		100.00
Forest Fires:		
Labor		149.64
Tree Warden:		
Northern Tree Expert		
Removing Elm Tree	100.00	
Labor	62.00	162.00
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Planting Trees on Highways—Labor		14.00
Forest Warden—Salary		25.00
Sealer—Salary	25.00	
Expenses	2.00	27.00

Moth Eradication:

Labor

Charles Lemon, Supt.	117.00	
R. Kibbe	97.13	
A. Bondoski	102.75	
Elwyn Lemon	28.50	
James Lemon	22.50	
Car Expense	13.50	
Supplies	14.63	396.01

Building Inspector

Salary	25.00	
Expenses	29.21	54.21

Total Protection of Persons and Property	\$ 2,933.68
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Health and Sanitation:

Tuberculosis Hospital	85.15
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Dental Clinic:

Dr. H. I. Fiske (includes supplies)	389.00	
Congoleum Rug	14.00	403.00

Animal Inspection	35.00
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Meat Inspection	40.00
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Hot Lunch Program

H. L. Hatch & Son—Groceries	119.93
Hampden Ely Lumber—Cabinets	120.00

Hotel Supply House—Napkins	7.50	
Cartage	5.00	
George Andrew—Linoleum	20.00	
Spoons	2.25	274.68

Total Health and Sanitation	\$	837.83
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Town Garage:

Lights	16.00	
Telephone	48.54	
Sawing Wood	60.00	
D. A. Gladding—Kerosene	5.63	130.17

Purchase of New Truck	4,237.00
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Street Lights	641.29
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Road Machinery:

Insurance	95.65
Repairs	498.95
Supplies	50.40
Gasoline	800.02
Oil	48.52

New Equipment

Sand Spreader	338.10
(Perkins-Eaton Machine)	
Plow Hook-up (E. F. Edson Co.)	175.00
Clipper-jaws	4.61
Handle	2.50
Cabel Chain Hooks	11.28

Labor

Howlett L. O., Supt.	40.00	
Gerrish, A. H.	36.00	
Harris, A. K.	34.00	2,135.03

Snow and Ice:

Labor

Howlett, L. O., Supt.	358.00	
Gerrish, A. H., Supt.	329.40	
Harris, A. K.	311.10	
Simanowitz, Thom.	24.75	
Harris, King	16.50	
Larson, Alex.	42.75	
Chaffee, Lester	24.00	
Fisher, Geo. Sr.,	7.50	
Lemon, Chas.	44.25	
Neil Kibbe, Tractor	24.25	
Christianson, Edw., Plowing Equip.	48.00	
Christianson, Edw., Sand	99.77	
Chemical Corp., Salt	84.80	1,415.07

Chapter 81:

Labor

Howlett, L. O., Supt.	\$672.00
Gerrish, A. H., Supt.	880.40
Harris, A. K.	811.40
Larson, Alex.	595.50
McCray, W. D.	170.00
Lemon, James	18.00
Rochon, Omer	5.00
Harris, King	15.75
Flynn, John	4.50
Flynn, Willard	6.00
Harris, Roger	6.00
Simanowitz, Tom	15.00
Teddy, Edward	108.00
Rock, Frank	88.50
Maxwell, Edward	2.25
Dickinson, Warren	21.00
Balser, Tom	6.00

Bliss, Ken	12.00	
Total Labor		\$ 3,437.30
Equipment		
Town Spreader	34.00	
Town Trucks	637.00	
Town Grader	121.00	
Christianson, E. N., Loader	162.50	
Gleason, A. E., Spreader	29.00	
Martin, Wilfred, Team	88.00	
Total Equipment		\$ 1,071.50
Materials		
Christianson, E. N., Gravel	1,511.74	
American Tar Co.	3,821.36	
Lane Const. Co.	358.80	
Total Materials		\$ 5,691.90
Total Chapter 81		\$ 10,200.70
Chapter 90—Construction		
Glendale Road		
Labor		
Gerrish, A. R., Supt.	192.00	
Harris, A. K.	181.80	
Larson, Alex	94.50	
McCray, W. D.	100.30	
Hatch, Ralph	22.50	
Harris, Roger	6.00	
Total Labor		\$ 597.10
Equipment		
Town spreader	12.00	
Town Grader	22.00	

Town Trucks	26.00	
Christianson, E. N., Power Shovel	238.00	
Christianson, E. N., Truck	270.00	
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Total Equipment		\$ 568.00
Materials		
Pease, Robert, Dynamite	13.50	
Mottes, Jos. J., Dynamite	31.34	
Mottes, Jos. J., Compressor	65.25	
American Tar Co.	1,366.86	
James H. Dineen, Gravel	125.50	
Christianson, E. N., Gravel	231.69	
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Total Materials		1,834.14
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Total Glendale Road		\$ 2,999.24
Mill Road		
Labor		
Gerrish, A. H., Supt.	181.00	
Harris, A. K.	166.50	
Larson, Alex.	51.75	
McCray, W. D.	123.25	
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Total Labor		\$ 522.50
Equipment		
Town Grader	32.00	
Town Trucks	133.00	
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Total Equipment		\$ 165.00
Materials		
American Tar Co.	392.19	
Christianson, E. N., Gravel	922.08	
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Total Materials		1,314.27

Total Mill Road	\$2,001.77
Total Chapter 90, Construction	\$ 5,001.01
Chapter 90, Maintenance	
Labor	
Howlett, L. O., Supt.	48.00
Gerrish, A. H., Supt.	77.60
Harris, A. K.	70.80
Larson, Alex.	48.00
Dickinson, Warren	4.50
Rock, Frank	18.00
Simanowitz, Tom	21.00
Harris, King	2.25
McCray, W. D.	27.20
Total Labor	\$ 317.35
Equipment	
Town Trucks	70.00
Town Grader	12.00
Town Spreader	16.00
Christianson, E. N., Tractor	5.00
Total Equipment	\$ 103.00
Materials	
Christianson, E. N., Sand	41.25
Christianson, E. N., Trap Rock	298.68
American Tar Co.	755.27
Total Materials	1,095.20
Total Chapter 90, Maintenance	\$ 1,515.55
Chapin Road	
Labor	
Howlett, L. O., Supt.	40.00

Gerrish, A. H.	36.00	
Harris, A. K.	34.00	
Larson, Alex.	15.00	
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Total Labor		125.00
Equipment		
Christianson, E. N., Shovel	50.00	
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Total Equipment		50.00
Materials		
Christianson, E. N., Gravel	76.89	
American Tar Co.	302.99	
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Total Materials		379.88
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Total Chapin Road		\$ 554.88
Burleigh Road		
Labor		
Howlett, L. O., Supt.	64.00	
Gerrish, A. H., Supt.	65.60	
Larson, Alex.	48.00	
Dickinson, Warren	7.50	
Harris, A. K.	61.60	
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Total Labor		\$ 246.70
Materials		
Christianson, E. N., Gravel	133.26	
Christianson, E. N., Shovel	101.50	
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Total Materials		234.76
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Total Burleigh Road		\$ 481.46

Bridges, Railings and Highways

Labor

Howlett, L. O., Supt,	204.00	
Gerriah, A. H.	329.80	
Harris, A. K.	304.40	
Kibbe, Neil S.	9.00	
Harris, King	23.25	
Lemon, Chas.	6.00	
Simanowitz, Tom	6.00	
Larson, A.	31.50	
McCray, W. D.	68.00	\$ 981.95
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Christianson, E. N., Plowing Snow	3.50	
Christianson, E. N., Gravel	25.38	
Lane Const.	36.00	

Materials

Homer L. Hatch & Son (Misc.)	29.91	
Iron—Sam Kobrosky	14.00	
C. C. Lewis, Lag Screws	1.41	
Chas. Millar & Son, Lag Screws	1.11	
Road Side Stands	8.00	
Guages	1.50	
J. D. Lynch, Snow Fence	87.50	
Snow Fence—Erecting	56.85	
Paint	24.00	
Filing Saws	14.75	
Willards—Welding	21.00	
O. R. Cote—Repairs	9.42	
Twine and Level	2.30	
Grossman, Surplus, Freight	18.39	
Hampden Garage	5.53	360.55
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Total Bridges, Railings and Highways	\$ 1,342.50
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Bennett Road

Labor

Gerrish, A. H., Supt.	52.00
Harris, A. K.	46.80
Larson, Alex	9.00
McCray, W. D.	3.40

Total Labor	\$ 111.20
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Materials

American Tar Co.	344.60
Christianson, E. N., Gravel	15.56

Total Materials	360.16
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Total Bennett Road	\$ 471.36
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South Road

Labor

Gerrish, A. H., Supt.	56.00
Harris, A. K.	50.40
McCray, W. D.	47.60
Larson, Alex.	30.00

Total Labor	184.00
Christianson, E. N., Gravel	168.32

Total South Road	\$ 352.32
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Mountain Road

Labor

Howlett, L. O., Supt.	32.00
Gerrish, A. H., Supt.	60.80
Harris, A. K.	56.00
McCray, W. D.	22.10
Larson, Alex.	19.50

Total Labor	190.40
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Materials

Christianson, E. N., Gravel	50.75	
Christianson, E. N., Shovel	287.00	

Total Materials	337.75	
	528.15	

Total Highways	\$29,006.49	
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WELFARE—Town Appropriation

Board and Care	1,554.40	
Aid	292.68	
Paid Other Cities and Towns	389.63	

Total Town Appropriation—Welfare	2,236.71	
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Old Age Assistance:

From Town Appropriation	8,800.00	
From Federal Grants for Aid	5,183.68	
From Federal Grants for Adm.	189.71	

Total Old Age Assistance	\$14,173.39	
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Aid to Dependent Children:

From Town Appropriation	538.50	
From Federal Grants for Aid	129.75	
From Federal Grants for Adm.	14.12	

Total Aid to Dependent Children	682.37	
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Soldiers' Relief	340.00	
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Total Welfare	\$17,432.47	
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SCHOOLS:

Committee	107.50	
Expenses	5.00	112.50

Superintendent	1,172.51	
(including Mr. Wheeler)		
Transportation expenses	150.00	
Expenses	157.54	
Clerk	460.04	
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	1,940.09	
Less spec. appro. of Mr. Wheeler	160.00	1,780.09
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Health :		
Nurse	309.40	
Supplies	31.35	
Doctor	200.00	540.75
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Operating Expense		
Custodian	1,581.00	
Fuel	1,715.10	3,296.10
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Transportation		
Elementary	3,417.00	
High School	3,485.85	6,902.85
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Tuition		
High School	8,959.00	
Vocational	2,391.40	11,350.40
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Repairs		
Painting, plumbing, carpentry, electrolux, etc.	628.25	
Textbooks	397.41	
Supplies for School use	799.08	
Misc. Operating	340.10	
Includes telephone and misc. labor supplies		
Miscellaneous Auxiliary		30.90
Lettering certificates and graduation exp.		

New Equipment		
Snow Plow and Tractor	247.80	
Misc. Tools for children	108.17	
Electrolux for children	69.75	425.72

Supervisors		
Tower, Helen B., Art	540.00	
Smith, Phyllis, Music	216.00	
Witzel, Jamie, Music	160.00	
Rinehart, W. L., Penmanship	145.00	1,061.00

Teachers		
McCray, Eleanor B.	2,300.00	
Flynn, Helen C.	1,980.00	
Nicholson, Hazel	1,905.75	
Rodin, Grace I.	1,970.00	
Teehan, Mary M.	1,175.50	
Jeffrey, Lucy S.	2,000.00	
Kerr, Lucy B.	600.00	
Lunden, Violet	93.00	
Speight, E.	39.00	12,063.25

Total Schools	\$ 39,728.40
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Special Appropriation	
Floor—Teachers Room	75.00
Special Appropriation	
Mr. Wheeler	160.00
	\$ 39,963.40

LIBRARY:

Librarians	674.77
Supplies	48.60
Magazines	135.76

Books	297.66	
Total Library	<hr/>	\$ 1,156.79
UNCLASSIFIED:		
Town Dump		
Gravel	8.39	
Labor	11.00	19.39
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Memorial Day		
Flags	12.50	
Plants	24.50	
Wreaths	53.75	90.75
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Aid to Agriculture		50.00
Printing Town Reports		253.00
Hampden County Board of Retirement		251.17
Insurance		1,250.21
20% Withholding		2,276.51
Veterans Service Department		546.00
Planning Board		
Lawyer	25.00	
Dues	10.00	
File	7.50	42.50
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Town Common—Labor		29.75
Soldiers' and Sailors Graves—Labor		75.40
Dog Taxes Paid to County		540.60
Clean Out Water Holes		
Labor	78.00	
Shovel	288.00	366.00
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Total Unclassified		\$ 5,791.28

CEMETERIES:

Trust Funds		
Labor	175.00	
Plants	4.00	
Loam	4.50	
Supplies	.30	183.80

Prospect Hill—Town Appropriation

Labor	278.00	
Supplies	6.75	
Lawn Mower Repairs	3.00	287.75

Total Cemetery	\$	471.55
Springfield Institution for Savings, Trust Fund		300.00
Post War Rehabilitation Fund Interest		65.64
Sale of Real Estate		
Return to Stanley Wiezbicki		100.00

AGENCY:

State Tax	750.00
County Tax	1,382.84
State Parks and Reservations	47.22
State Audit	322.14

REFUNDS:

Motor Vehicle Excise	71.46
1946 Poll Tax	4.00
1947 Real Est.	48.75
Interest	1.12

Total Payments for 1947	\$106,818.12
Cash on hand December 31, 1947	44,608.95
Total	\$151,427.07

TRUST FUNDS ACCOUNT

Day Library Fund	501.64
Holt Library Fund	500.00
Cemetery, Bumstead Fund	2,110.11
Cemetery, Perpetual Care Fund	6,408.72
Post War Rehabilitation Fund	15,307.82
Library Contribution Fund	10.50
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	\$24,838.79
Trust Funds, Cash and Securities	\$24,838.79

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

December 31, 1947

ASSETS

Cash	\$44,608.95
1947 Poll	2.00
1947 Personal Property	523.20
1947 Real Estate	7,356.50
1947 Motor Vehicle	240.91
Tax Titles	66.91
Tax Possessions	609.98
State Aid to Highways	1,276.90
County Aid to Highways	.82
Aid to Dependent Children—State	102.10
Other Cities and Towns—Pub. Welf.	91.00
Tuberculosis Hospital	48.01
Reserve	36.90
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Total Assets	\$ 54,964.18

LIABILITIES

State Parks and Reservations	17.44
Library Receipts Reserved	3.99
Trust Funds	101.36
Sale of Real Estate	1,000.00

Chas. S. Ballard—Estate	1,000.00	
Aid to Dependent Children—Federal	34.82	
Aid to Dependent Children—Adm. Fed.	4.82	
Old Age Assistance—Federal	293.40	
Old Age Assistance—Adm. Fed.	19.13	
Road Machinery Fund	1,493.14	
20% Withholding	613.46	
Overlay Reserve	620.82	
1947 Overlay	1,139.90	
State and County Highway Revenue	1,277.72	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax Revenue	240.91	
Tax Title Revenue	676.89	
Departmental Revenue	193.10	
4th of July Fund	13.69	
Tree Warden	38.00	
Hot Lunch Program	25.32	
Bennett Road	23.64	
South Road	147.68	
Burleigh Road	18.54	
Soldiers' Relief	10.00	
School Repairs	954.50	
Street Lights	187.50	
Town Dump	278.36	
Pease Park Survey	50.00	
Water Holes	200.57	
Honor Roll	35.00	
Excess and Deficiency	44,245.48	
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Total Liabilities		\$ 54,964.18

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL T. FISHER

Bookkeeper

AUDITOR'S REPORT

The books of the Town Treasurer and Town Book-keeper have been examined, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are correct.

Respectfully submitted,

EDITH M. RANSOM

Auditor

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

- 1 Platform Scale Over 5,000 Lbs; Sealed
- 3 Platform Scales Under 5,000 Lbs. Sealed
- 1 Beam Scale, Sealed
- 3 Spring Scales, Sealed
- 5 Computing Scales, Sealed
- 4 Oil Measuring Pumps, Sealed
- 1 Kerosene Pump, Sealed
- 2 Grease Pumps, Sealed
- 9 Gasoline Meters, Sealed

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM L. BUEREAU

Sealer

REPORT OF THE WATER COMMITTEE

Your committee has discussed the possibility of securing water from the Springfield Water system with authorities of the water department of that city.

It is their opinion that it is extremely doubtful that an adequate supply could be delivered to this town at the required pressure because of insufficient main capacity through the adjoining township of East Longmeadow.

The committee was further advised that it was customary to refer such problems to engineering firms engaged in the practice of design and construction of municipal water systems and several such concerns were contacted. These concerns are, in every case, of long standing, having extensive experience with this type of undertaking and located in the state of Massachusetts.

We have informally interviewed representatives of these concerns, and they are in agreement to the effect that no dependable plan of procedure or estimate of cost of the undertaking can be determined until after the completion of a preliminary survey of the project.

A report of the findings could be made that would give the townspeople a thorough understanding of the project and one that will make it possible for them to consider the practicability or otherwise of a water system for the Town of Hampden.

This report would cover particularly where the water supply should be obtained—namely well supply, surface supply or from the State or adjoining municipality; rec-

ommendations as to the capacity and location of water storage; pumping station and equipment if required and plans showing location of a recommended distribution system. It would also include recommendations as to water rates and proposed method of financing as well as information as to the effect on the existing insurance rates that may be anticipated. The design of the system would be such that the approval of the New England Fire Insurance Rating Association may be assured.

The cost of this preliminary engineering investigation and report, including test wells and borings, would be about two thousand dollars. Provided the Town considers it advisable to appropriate this amount for the undertaking, the work can be started at once and brought to a prompt conclusion.

Respectfully submitted,

DWIGHT L. MOODY

ERNEST L. WOODS

Treasurer's Report — Trust Funds

Fund	Balance January 1, 1947	Interest	Withdrawn July 1 and December 31	Balance
Day Fund	\$501.64			
Holt Library	500.00	\$10.05	\$10.05	\$500.00
Bumstead Cemetery	2,110.11	42.40	42.20	2,110.11
Library Fund	10.30	.20		10.50
Helen E. Stacy	150.52	3.00	3.00	150.52
Burleigh, Holt	202.58	4.04	4.04	202.58
Anna S. Leonard	101.02	2.02	2.02	101.02
John R. Stoddard	51.00	1.02	1.02	51.00
Twitchell, Burt	201.06	4.02	4.02	201.06
Marcus Beebe	152.29	3.04	3.04	152.29
Lydia Morris	101.02	2.02	2.02	101.02
Orrin Goodwill	202.58	4.04	4.04	202.58
John Q. Adams	102.04	2.04	2.04	102.04
Thompson, Chaffee	303.13	6.06	6.06	303.13
William Johnson	127.98	2.54	2.54	127.98
Calvin Stebbins	101.02	2.02	2.02	101.02
Milo Chapin	102.04	2.04	2.04	102.04
Elsie M. Hilla	1,018.58	20.36	20.36	1,018.58
S. Stacy Hunt	101.02	2.02	2.02	101.02
Henry Dickinson	102.04	2.04	2.04	102.04
Jackson Dickey	41.36	.82	.82	41.36
George P. West	101.02	2.02	2.02	101.02
Holmes, Beebe	202.58	4.04	4.04	202.58
Flora Carlton	102.04	2.04	2.04	102.04
Wm. J. Sessions	51.00	1.02	1.02	51.00

John Kenworthy	101.02	2.02	2.02	101.02
Mortimer Pease	101.02	2.02	2.02	101.02
John S. Beebe	102.04	2.04	2.04	102.04
Davis Weeks, Pease	202.58	4.04	4.04	202.58
David Stebbins	101.02	2.02	2.02	101.02
J. F. Whitaker	101.72	2.02	2.02	101.72
Orcutt	51.66	1.02	1.02	51.66
Beebe, Stanton	152.29	3.04	3.04	152.29
Charles Whitaker	101.02	2.02	2.02	101.02
Bennett, Kenworthy	102.04	2.04	2.04	102.04
Rose Cory	102.04	2.04	2.04	102.04
Joseph Stimson	101.02	2.02	2.02	101.02
N. and E. Langdon	101.02	2.02	2.02	101.02
Jennie Shaw	51.00	1.02	1.02	51.00
Davis, Pease	101.02	2.02	2.02	101.02
George Pond	50.69	1.00	1.00	50.69
Martha Edson	51.15	1.02	1.02	51.15
John Bartlett	208.74	4.16	4.16	208.74
Charles I. Burleigh	50.83	1.00	1.00	50.83
D. L. and D. R. McCray	153.58	3.06	3.06	153.58
Henry M. Davis	101.51	2.02	2.02	101.51
J. L. Gottsche	101.78	2.02	2.02	101.78
W. and Fred Leach	200.00	4.00	4.00	200.00
Alvin W. Bennett	100.00	2.00	2.00	100.00
Charlotte and Carl Merrill	100.00	2.00	2.00	100.00
Medicke	100.00	2.00	2.00	100.00
Irving Newell	300.00	3.00	3.00	300.00
Lillie Bradway	100.01	1.50	1.50	100.01
Balance January 1, 1947		\$9,630.77		
Irving Newell		300.00		
Interest for 1947		184.89		
				\$10,115.66
Interest Withdrawn				184.69
Balance December 31, 1947				\$9,930.97

Treasurer's Report

Balance January 1, 1947	\$39,524.61
Receipts for 1947	111,902.46
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	\$151,427.07
Expenditures for 1947	\$106,818.12
Balance December 31, 1947	44,608.95
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	\$151,427.07

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN

The Fire Department was called out for twelve grass fires and four brush fires for the year ending 1947. Ten of these grass fires started from burning rubbish and papers in open incinerators. It is recommended that extreme care, and closed incinerators be used for the coming Spring in burning in the open air.

Also there were one hundred and twenty-nine open air Fire Permits issued for the year.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD R. GUNTHER

Forest Fire Warden

Report of the Board of Public Welfare

During the year 1947, 20 persons were aided at the cost of \$2,236.71.

Paid to local cases	\$1,202.76
Paid to other cities and towns for Hampden settled cases	389.63
Paid for State Case	288.33
Paid for cases other city and town settled	355.99
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Total	\$2,236.71
Received from State	\$288.33
Received from other cities and towns	355.99
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	\$644.32
Expenditures	\$2,236.71
Receipts	644.32
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	\$1,592.39

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

One active case January 1, 1947 and no new cases added, no case closed.

Total cost for aid and administration for 1947, \$538.50.

Appropriation	\$300.00	
Transfer	250.00	
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		\$550.00

Cash paid	538.50
Balance	<u>\$11.50</u>

FEDERAL GRANT

Cash paid from Federal Grant	\$129.75
Cash received from Federal Government	\$147.85
Balance from Previous Year	16.72
	<u>\$164.57</u>
Expenditures	129.75
	<u>\$34.82</u>

FEDERAL GRANT FOR ADMINISTRATION

Received from Federal Government	\$ 6.22
Balance as of December 31, 1947	12.72
	<u>\$18.94</u>
Expenditures	14.12
	<u>\$ 4.82</u>

REPORT OF BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

On January 1, 1947 there were 27 cases on the payroll. During the year there were 4 cases closed, and no new cases added. Total cases on payroll December 31, 1947, 23 cases.

Total cost of Old Age Assistance	\$13,983.68
Federal Grants	\$6,606.06
State's Share	5,129.10
Received from other cities and towns	356.47
Meals Tax	365.02
Town's Share	1,588.37

Tax Collector's Report

1946 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX

Balance due January 1, 1947	\$26.40	
Balance due January 14, 1947	88.87	
Late Commitments	66.59	\$181.86
Collected and paid Town Treasurer		181.86
Interest paid Town Treasurer		1.19

1946 PERSONAL PROPERTY

Balance due January 1, 1947	\$673.11
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	673.11
Interest paid Town Treasurer	12.41

1946 REAL ESTATE

Balance due January 1, 1947	\$6,231.34
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	\$6,182.74
Abatement	29.70
Under Tax Title	18.90
Interest paid Town Treasurer	158.87

1946 POLL TAX

Balance due January 1, 1947	\$ 2.00
Abated January 22, 1947	2.00

1947 POLL TAX

Total Commitments	\$852.00
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	\$686.00
Abatements	164.00
Balance due December 31, 1947	2.00

Interest paid Town Treasurer	1.29
Demands paid Town Treasurer	12.95

1947 MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX

Total Commitments	\$3,530.72
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	\$3,165.53
Abatements	124.28 3,289.81
Balance due December 31, 1947	34.03
Balance not due until 1948	206.88
Interest paid Town Treasurer	4.99

1947 PERSONAL PROPERTY

Total Commitments	\$5,358.10
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	\$4,829.40
Abatements	5.50 4,834.90
Balance due December 31, 1947	523.20
Interest paid Town Treasurer	.41

1947 REAL ESTATE

Total Commitments	\$42,299.00
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	\$34,770.25
Abatements	154.75
Under Tax Title	17.50 34,942.50
Balance due December 31, 1947	7,356.50
Interest paid Town Treasurer	10.06

Respectfully submitted,

EMMA S. LYONS

Collector of Taxes

1947 REPORT
of the
Trustees For County Aid to Agriculture
and the
Hampden County Improvement League
HAMPDEN, MASS.

AGRICULTURAL WORK

Several newly organized, very definite and worthwhile programs are now available to all farmers as follows: (1) Artificial Breeding has 200 members with excellent heifer calves being raised; (2) Dairy Herd Improvement Association means improved breeding and feeding for more profitable dairying; (3) Potato Spray Ring assures a good spray program for potato growers; (4) Young Farmer organization has the leaders of tomorrow; (5) Commodity organization in poultry, fruit, dairy, etc. have sizeable memberships with state representation working for their interest.

HOME DEPARTMENT WORK

During the year 147 women attended 17 meetings or demonstrations conducted by 4 local leaders assisted by the County and State Extension Agents. There were 8 different projects during the year with the following local leaders assisting: Mrs. Warren W. Dickinson, Mrs. Earle E. Dickinson, Mrs. M. J. Gottsche, Mrs. Mary E. Fuller, Mrs. Benjamin Libby, and Mrs. Claude Goodwill. Some of the leaders and Mrs. Wells Carver incurred expenses amounting to \$37.24.

4-H CLUB WORK

During the year there were 22 girls and 9 boys enrolled in 9 different 4-H Club projects. Miss Jean Libby, Mrs. Donald Howlett, Mrs. Fred Samble, Mr. Kenneth Bliss, and Mr. Ben Libby assisted the county and state agents in conducting the projects. Some of the leaders and Mrs. Ben Libby and Mr. Carl Libby incurred expenses amounting to \$6.71.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1947 Appropriation	\$ 50.00
Balance carried over from 1946	28.54
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	\$ 78.54
Expended in 1947	43.95
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Balance available for 1948	\$ 34.59
Appropriation recommended for 1948	75.00
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	\$109.59

NOTE: The town appropriation is deposited with the County Treasurer and held to the credit of the town for reimbursing local town leaders for their necessary expenses in conducting such work as may be assigned them.

Respectfully submitted,

Trustees for County Aid To Agriculture

L. B. BOSTON, Clerk

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board held ten regular monthly meetings, four special meetings, one joint meeting with the Board of Appeals and six hearings during the year 1947.

Two plans for real estate sub-divisions were submitted to the board during the year. In June, Edward N. Christianson attended the meeting of the Planning Board and submitted a tentative plan for a real estate sub-division to be laid out on the so-called Newman property. A plan was drawn up by Merrill and Sears on August 23, 1947 and filed with the Planning Board on September 9, 1947. It was approved on October 14, 1947, subject to minor changes. Mr. Christianson petitioned the board for an extension of the business district to include lots Nos. 1 and 24 as indicated on this plan, extending to the Carew property line and to a depth to conform to the existing business district.

In June, Everett C. Stevens of North Brookfield submitted a plan for a real estate sub-division on a plot upon which 17 building lots have been planned. This sub-division is bounded on the north by property of Ralph B. and Doris Hatch, on the east by property of Ralph B. and Doris Hatch and Thornton W. Burgess, on the south by property of Thornton W. Burgess and Main Street and on the west by land owned and retained by Everett C. and Anne L. Stevens.

Dominic Conti also petitioned the board to have the business district on the easterly side of Somers Road extended to include his lot at the corner of Main Street and Somers Road, said lot extending 135 feet on Main

Street and 165 feet on Somers Road to the Carew property line, and to a depth to conform to the existing business district.

Relative to the above petitions and sub-divisions, the Planning Board held four public hearings at the Town House on July 24. They were well attended with most of the abutters and interested parties present. The first hearing was relative to the Stevens' development, the second hearing concerned the Conti petition, the third on the Christianson sub-division and the fourth on the petition of Mr. Christianson for the extension of the business district as referred to in a previous paragraph.

The board held a recurrent hearing at the Town House on September 29, 1947 on the Conti petition on a technicality since the description of the area of the lot was incorrect the first time.

Respectfully submitted,

E. NORTON DAVIS, Chairman

MARION W. GERRISH, Secretary

ALAN R. PHILLIPS

C. KILBOURNE BUMP

GERALD V. WITKOP

REPORT OF THE RECREATIONAL COMMITTEE

The report of the Recreational Committee in 1946 stated at that time \$2200 had been contributed by residents of Hampden and friends toward the purchasing of the 30-acre tract offered by Mr. Ackerman for a recreation field. It was within a few days after the annual meeting that the total of \$3100 was raised.

At the Memorial Day exercises, Chairman John B. Isham presented to Selectman Neil S. Kibbe in behalf of the town the deed to the property purchased from Mr. Ackerman to be used as a recreation field.

The committee has worked untiringly to raise additional money to develop the field. There is a great deal more work to be done which can only be accomplished by community co-operation. To the average passer-by the development of this field might seem rather slow, but all the planning, surveying and many other details have all been done after business hours.

Picnics have been held at the field and the fire places were used having been built by members of the committee. The fire places were one of Emil Scheibler's projects, which will always be a memorial to him.

A committee representing the Boys' Club met with the Recreation Committees asking for a place to build a hockey rink. The site was selected and work was started immediately. Hockey is to be played as soon as the weather permits. Also poles have been erected to hang wires for illuminating the rink for night playing.

The younger generation have found the paddle pond a safe place for skating, which will greatly relieve the parents of worry.

The Garden Club added to the requirements of the picnic grounds by donating two picnic tables to the park.

Other organizations in town have realized the need of a recreation field and have raised money and made very generous donations.

The baseball field is in the process of completion, but due to the drought in the fall the grading and planting of grass seed was at a stand still, but it is the hope of the committee to finish this field in 1948.

The treasurer reports that during 1947 a total of \$4,042.75 was collected. Expenditures totaled \$3,761.70, leaving a balance on hand of \$281.05. To continue the work more money must be raised.

The committees feel that the developing of this field belongs to every one in town and hope for their full support as they gave to purchase this tract of land.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. ISHAM, Chairman

REV. ARTHUR SANDERS

HAROLD HELBERG

CHARLES R. MELVILLE, Treasurer

EDITH M. RANSOM, Secretary

BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT

January 1, 1948

To the Board of Selectmen
Hampden, Mass.

For the year ending December 31, 1947 there were one hundred and seven permits granted and one hundred thirty-one inspections made.

The following permits were granted:

New Houses	9
Garages	4
Additions	4
Alterations	8
Chicken House	1
Dog Kennel	1
Electrical Permits	59
Plumbing Permits	21
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	107

The estimated costs of these permits was \$68,035.00.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. R. MELVILLE

Building Inspector

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

On the highways a number of maple trees were set out. A number of elm trees were found to have had the Dutch Elm disease and these were destroyed.

Respectfully submitted,

L. O. HOWLETT

Tree Warden

GYPSY MOTH REPORT

Having completed the search for Gypsy moth clusters for 1947, I wish to report that we found and destroyed about 2000 clusters.

There was a big improvement all over the town and very few clusters found where it had been heavily infected.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES LEMON

Moth Supt.

REPORT OF ANIMAL INSPECTOR

During the year I have inspected the barns in which were kept 636 head of cattle, 1 sheep, 48 pigs, 8 goats and 45 horses.

Respectfully submitted,

PERCY A. FULLER

Animal Inspector

Report of the School Committee

ORGANIZATION

Wm. Harry Burns, Chairman 1950

Mrs. Elizabeth Bennett 1949

Harold A. Truell, Secretary and
Superintendent of Schools

During 1947 reimbursements on account of schools were received as follows:

From the Commonwealth:

General School Fund, Part II	\$2,900.72	
General School Fund, Part I	2,230.00	
Chapter 71, Sec. 7A	4,725.64	
High School Tuition	7,367.84	
Vocational Education	1,186.72	
State Wards, tuition and transportation	1,690.30	
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		\$20,100.72

From Other Sources:

Tuition refunds	\$50.77	
Miscellaneous credits	1.50	
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		52.27
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		\$20,152.99

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1947

Appropriation for School Support	\$40,525.00	
Appropriation, Floor Covering	75.00	
Appropriation, Mr. Wheeler's salary	160.00	
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Expenditures:

School Committee	\$112.50	
Superintendent's Salary	1,172.51	
Expenses of Superintendence	767.58	
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Total for General Control		\$2,052.59
Supervisors' Salaries	\$1,061.00	
Teachers' Salaries	12,063.25	
Textbooks	397.41	
Supplies	799.08	
Janitor	1,581.00	
Fuel	1,715.10	
Miscellaneous Operating	340.10	
Repairs	703.25	
Health	540.75	
Local Transportation	3,417.00	
Miscellaneous Auxiliary	30.90	
New Equipment	425.72	
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Total for Elementary Schools		23,074.56
High School Tuition	\$8,959.00	
High and Trade School		
Transportation	3,485.85	
Trade School Tuition	2,391.40	
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Total for High and Trade Schools		14,836.25

Total Expenditures	\$39,963.40
Reimbursements	20,100.72
Net Cost of Schools to the Town	<u>\$19,862.68</u>

APPROPRIATIONS NEEDED FOR 1948

The school committee recommends a budget for 1948 as follows:

School Committee	\$125.00
Superintendent's Salary	1,000.00
Expenses of Superintendence	800.00
Supervisors' Salaries	1,133.00
Teachers' Salaries	14,830.00
Textbooks	400.00
Supplies	900.00
Janitor	1,640.00
Fuel	1,900.00
Miscellaneous Operating	400.00
Repairs and Replacements	800.00
Health	575.00
Transportation	7,304.50
Tuition	12,865.00
Miscellaneous Auxiliary	50.00
New Equipment	1,020.00
	<u>\$45,742.50</u>

ESTIMATE OF CREDITS ON ACCOUNT OF EDUCATION FOR 1948

It is estimated that the receipts on account of education during 1948 will be approximately as follows:

General School Fund, Part II	\$2,750.90
General School Fund, Part I	2,240.00
Chapter 71, sec. 7A	4,700.00

Superintendent's Salary	386.67
High School Tuition	6,250.00
Vocational Education	2,810.67
State Wards, tuition and transportation	600.00
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	\$19,738.24

Respectfully submitted,

WM. HARRY BURNS

MRS. ELIZABETH BENNETT

Members of the School Committee

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of the Town of Hampden:

My second annual report as superintendent of schools in the town of Hampden is submitted herewith.

SUPERINTENDENCY UNION No. 17

Superintendency Union No. 17 is composed of three towns, East Longmeadow, Wilbraham, and Hampden. The duties of the union as a whole are to select the superintendent of schools and the union secretary. The supervisor of art, the supervisor of music, and the school nurse are engaged separately by the individual towns. The cost of supervision in art, music, and health is met by the towns in proportion to the amount of time each one of the respective supervisors is able to give to each town; whereas expense of the superintendency, which includes the superintendent's salary, the secretary's salary, and the maintenance of the superintendent's office, is paid by these towns as follows: East Longmeadow, 45%; Wilbraham, 35%; Hampden, 20%.

CHANGES IN TEACHING STAFF

In August, 1947, Miss Mary M. Teahan, who taught Grades 2 and 3 in the Hampden school, resigned her posi-

tion to accept a position in the schools of Westfield, her home town. Miss Teahan did outstanding work during her four years of service in the Hampden school.

When school opened in September, Mrs. Hazel Nicholson was assigned to teach first grade, Mrs. Grace Rodin, second grade, and Mrs. Lucy Jeffrey, third grade. Mrs. Lucy Kerr was employed to teach Grades 4 and 5; Miss Helen Flynn has been assigned to teach pupils of Grade 6 and some pupils of Grade 7; Mrs. McCray, principal, teaches some seventh grade pupils and pupils of Grade 8. This arrangement seems to be working out satisfactorily.

Miss Phyllis Smith, supervisor of music during the school year 1946-1947, resigned in August because of her coming marriage. Mrs. Jamie R. Witzel, graduate of Mary Washington College of the University of Virginia, was employed to fill this vacancy. Mrs. Witzel has done previous teaching at Fredericksburg, Virginia, and Mobile, Alabama.

REPAIRS

The major repairs completed this year consist of the painting of the ceilings in all classrooms and the painting of the walls in all rooms except in those rooms housing Grades 6 through 8. This painting has lightened the rooms considerably.

HONOR PUPILS IN HIGH and TRADE SCHOOLS

Hampden is proud of the high rating achieved by so many of its secondary school pupils. This year shows a gain in the number of pupils listed on the honor rolls of the high and trade schools they attend.

	Total Pupils	Honor Pupils	Per Cent
1942	44	18	41
1943	51	17	33
1944	62	20	32
1945	52	16	31
1946	62	15	24
1947	52	20	38

ENROLMENT

The present enrolment in the Consolidated school is 191. This is an increase of 13 pupils over last year's registration. From a study of the enrolment figures over the last few years, it appears that there is a steady growth of pupils in the town of Hampden. The effect this pupil population increase will have on school conditions is obvious.

Previous to this year practically all grades in the Hampden school have been combination grades. This has made it rather difficult for the individual pupil, as there is a tendency for the slow pupils of an advanced grade to adapt themselves more or less to the faster group of pupils in the grade just below. This tendency helps in many ways to retard the pupils concerned. Having this in mind, the grade arrangement during the present year was made in order that pupils in Grades 1, 2, and 3 would be set up as individual grades. This allows the teacher much more time to give attention to the individual pupil. Whether it will be possible for this present program to be continued in the future depends to a large degree upon the future enrolment of pupils in the various grades along with the present housing condition. If Grades 1, 2, and 3 are continued as individual grades during the school year 1948-1949, there will be a question of

whether our present teaching staff will be sufficient to handle such a program, as the membership in the upper five grades is steadily increasing.

INCREASED STATE AID

Near the end of the last session of the General Court a bill was passed granting more state aid toward the cost of transporting children on school buses. This new bill will give to all towns state aid toward the cost of transportation of pupils living BEYOND ONE AND ONE-HALF MILES FROM SCHOOL, provided said pupils are being transported at town expense. The town of Hampden has received for the calendar year 1947 \$4,725.64 from the state above and beyond the usual amount received each year to help defray its school transportation costs. The entire cost of transportation of pupils in the town of Hampden for 1947 was \$6,902.85. One can readily see that the new state aid bill has helped Hampden materially.

May we take this opportunity to express our appreciation to our building custodian, Mr. W. Edward Burleigh, for the splendid work he has done during the past year.

The teachers are giving their best for your children. The schools are yours. This means that with the cooperation of the parents and teachers much can be accomplished. May we suggest that you visit your schools, offer suggestions to your teachers, feel free to comment constructively on procedures, and not hesitate to give words of encouragement. Your teachers, as well as your superintendent of schools, stand ready to do whatever they can for you and your children. Your interest and help which have been characteristic throughout the past year have been of great value.

"The teacher is a prophet. She lays the foundations of tomorrow. The teacher is an artist. She works with the precious grace of unfolding personality. The teacher is a soul. Her head responds to the faith and devotion of her students. The teacher is a citizen. She is selected and licensed for the improvement of society. The teacher is an interpreter. Out of her maturer and higher life she seeks to guide the young. The teacher is a builder. She works with the higher and finer values of civilization. The teacher is a culture bearer. She leads the way to worthier deeds, saner attitudes, more gracious manners, higher intelligence. The teacher is a planner. She sees the young lives before her as a part of a great system which shall grow stronger in the light of truth. The teacher is a pioneer. She is always attempting the impossible and winning out. The teacher is a reformer. She seeks to remove the handicaps that weaken and destroy life. The teacher is a believer. She has abiding faith in the improvability of the race."

JOY ELMER MORGAN, Editor of the Journal
of the National Education Association

May we take this opportunity to express our appreciation to the members of the Hampden school committee, members of the faculty, parents, pupils and interested citizens for their cooperation and help given us during this past year.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD A. TRUELL

Superintendent of Schools

REPORT OF SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

To Mr. Harold A. Truell, Superintendent of Schools:

Nowadays, more than ever before, a school is a veritable beehive of activity. This is particularly true of Hampden School. We feel, teachers and pupils alike, that we have worked especially hard this year and that our labors have been crowned with achievement.

Two innovations have increased our activities, the hot lunch program and the physical education program. Each day a well-balanced meal is served to grades 1 and 2 at 11:30 o'clock and to grades 3 through 8 at 12:00 o'clock. In reply to many inquiries as to whether our pupils really need this meal, we wish to say that a hot, nourishing meal cannot be other than beneficial to growing children. Their happy faces and requests for second helpings speak well for the meal.

Our physical education program is a very desirable addition to our curriculum. Two seniors from Springfield College at no expense to the town put on a modern, physical education schedule in our school twice weekly. Our pupils enjoy this exceedingly, and in addition they are acquiring habits of good sportsmanship and healthful posture as well as being prepared under expert leadership for the formal gymnasium work which follows when they enter Springfield schools.

A third innovation, a shifting of classes and teachers to provide three one-grade rooms for grades 1 through 3, was instituted at the beginning of this school year.

This arrangement has worked out well and is undoubtedly a great stride in the right direction, making it possible for our little folk through one-grade class-rooms to get a splendid start in the reading skills.

Now that grades 1 through 3 are so happily adjusted, we teachers of grades 4 through 8 long for the day when our school facilities will provide all one-grade classrooms so that we may do better work than is now possible under overcrowded and overburdened conditions.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR BY CLASSROOMS

Grade 1—Mrs. Nicholson

The first grade made miniature houses and stores in order to construct a model village on the sand table as a project in social studies.

Mr. Truell brought us many new sets of reading books for supplementary work, so we were very busy with this interesting, new material.

In the first grade the teacher must see that the transition from home life to school work is a happy one, so that children may learn readily. In school they learn (many of them for the first time) to work and play together, to share, to give and to take. This adjustment to the personalities of others is really the gateway to all successful living, for true success is based on getting along well with those with whom we come in contact.

Grade 2—Mrs. Rodin

We are conducting an intensive drive on reading. Mr. Truell and all the teachers feel that a sound foundation in reading is needed for every child to meet the

demands that come later on, so we read and read in the second grade.

One day during Fire Prevention Week we took an excursion by appointment to inspect the Fire House and learn about fire protection in Hampden. Mrs. Jeffrey and her class accompanied us. Fire Chief Officer showed and explained the fire apparatus to us and we were all intensely interested. He answered all questions and then, best of all for the pupils, he gave them a message to carry back to school, asking that children leave the telephone lines open after the siren warns of fire so that firemen may use the lines. Mrs. McCray sent this message around to all the rooms so the children felt quite grown-up and helpful.

Grade 3—Mrs. Jeffrey

The third grade pupils are studying about "people without machinery" in social studies. They are making booklets about each of these groups, the Pacific Islanders, the Laplanders, the Egyptian farmers, Chinese farmers, and the Pueblo Indians.

The children made an Indian village for the sand table. Some brought real Indian pottery and hand-woven Indian blankets from home.

They also learned an Indian harvest song and an Indian dance which were featured in our Thanksgiving assembly program.

Grades 4 and 5—Mrs. Kerr

Since oral and written language plays such an important part in our daily lives, we have emphasized the correct use of English throughout our school work. Post-

ers have been made to illustrate some of the more common language usage rules. These were displayed in our classroom and on the bulletin board in the upper corridor.

At present we are making a booklet about the town of Hampden. It will contain a map and a brief history of the town and its industries. This will give the pupils an opportunity to correlate oral and written English with social studies and we hope it will bring about a greater appreciation of our place as a community in the state and in the nation.

Grades 6 and 7—Miss Flynn

The work of these grades during the past year has been less spectacular perhaps from the pupils' standpoint than in most other years. We found our time being used on our greatest needs, reading, spelling, and arithmetic.

In order to stimulate interest in spelling, we kept a Spelling Record Chart and awarded small prizes to the winners. Much improvement is needed before we can be satisfied with our attainments.

Extensive and intensive drill has been given on fundamentals in arithmetic and we hope to show much improvement in the skills before the end of the school year.

As for reading, every subject is essentially a reading lesson and we keep this in mind as we strive to improve our comprehension and speed.

Our room has contributed to the assembly programs throughout the year and takes great pleasure and pride in doing so.

Grades 7 and 8—Mrs. McCray

The teacher of the eighth grade has the task of rounding out and completing the work of the previous grades. Any phase of school work not understood previously, because of irregular attendance, shifting from one school to another, lack of native ability, or for any other reason whatsoever, is rectified, if possible, in the eighth grade in preparation for graduation.

This is a great responsibility in itself and with a seventh grade to be taught also our days are more than full.

However, we are happy in our work, knowing that the harder the task the greater the challenge and the greater the satisfaction in accomplishment.

Besides being deeply engrossed for the most part in formal studies, it has been pleasant this year, in a troubled world, to emphasize anew for our pupils the ties of human brotherhood.

We have taught that a good deed is much like tossing a smooth, shining pebble into a stream where the ever-widening circles continue without end. So loyalty to the fundamental ideals of life increase circle by circle in the stream of a child's growth until it encompasses his entire world.

We have emphasized anew the fundamental ideals of honesty, sympathy, courtesy, industry, cooperation, self-control, and reverence.

We have taught that the children of today are the citizens of tomorrow. And so, since the children of today are brought up in the love of man for fellow man,

the citizens of tomorrow will more whole-heartedly accept the obligation of strengthening and enlarging the ties of human brotherhood even to the ends of the earth.

In closing, let me express to all connected with our school my appreciation of their splendid cooperation and support in making this year another good year in the Hampden School.

Respectfully submitted,

ELEANOR B. McCRAY

Principal, Hampden School

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ART

To Mr. Harold A. Truell, Superintendent of Schools:

We were asked to use citizenship as our theme for the year. With that in mind, let us consider what citizenship means and how an art course can help in the teaching of it.

The dictionary defines citizenship as the rights or condition of a citizen, and a citizen as an inhabitant of a city or town. We are all interested in making good citizens; now let us consider some of the requisites and how an art class can help to develop them.

A GOOD CITIZEN SHOULD BE

Cooperative—Working with others becomes easy with a common absorbing interest.

Tolerant—We find that other peoples' ideas may not be just like ours, they may be better.

Appreciative—We learn to appreciate the work of others, the beauty of nature and the people around us.

Ambitious—Children learn the joy of creative, constructive work.

Happy—There are few children who do not enjoy art.

Imagination, Originality, A Sense of Humor, Neatness, Confidence, and Economy can also be fostered in an art class. Generosity is learned by sharing—gifts for others and work for the Red Cross.

The course of study changes little year by year, only the presentation, the application and materials used. This year as last we have tried to spend a part of each art

lesson in the printing of something beautiful and worthwhile.

The printing has improved noticeably and the children are making a collection of poems they will be glad to keep.

One of the poems we have printed that follows along the theme of citizenship is the following:

IT ISN'T YOUR TOWN—IT'S YOU

If you want to live in the kind of a town
 Like the kind of a town you like
 You shouldn't slip your clothes in a grip
 And start on a long, long hike.
 You'll only find what you left behind
 For there's nothing that's really new
 It's a knock at yourself when you knock your town
 It isn't your town—it's YOU.

Real towns are not made by men afraid
 Lest somebody else gets ahead.
 When everyone works and nobody shirks,
 You can raise a town from the dead;
 And if while you make your personal stake
 Your neighbor can make one too,
 Your town will be what you want to see,
 It isn't your town—it's YOU.

Author unknown

Since comparatively few children ever use art as a vocation, art educators today are more interested in what the child gets out of the lesson himself and less in what he puts on paper.

The children have made several hundred paper hats and place mats for the Red Cross and have made some beautiful decorations for the classrooms and halls. We are saving these to give to the Red Cross, also to be used next year in the hospitals.

There is great need for manual training in the schools, a place and materials. It is to be hoped that if and when new buildings are built, there will be a proper place and equipment for manual training, for craft work, a printing press, a good-sized kiln, and a dark room for photography. These would not only benefit the children but would be a great source of pleasure and profit to the townspeople for use in evening classes. There is so much talent wasted by people who never had the chance, the place or the equipment for handwork. Hospitals everywhere have proved the need of it for its therapeutic value.

In closing, I want to thank all connected with the schools for their cooperation. It has been greatly appreciated. As for the teachers, without their interest and help, any supervisor could accomplish little. We have a fine group of teachers in the union, working harder than most people realize, trying to make good citizens of your children.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN BARTLETT TOWER

Supervisor of Art

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF HANDWRITING

To Mr. Harold A. Truell, Superintendent of Schools:

I am pleased to submit the following report on the operation of the handwriting program in your schools for the school year of 1946-1947.

In the initial handwriting test administered in the Hampden schools in September, 1938, 18.4% made "A" (Excellent); 18.4% made "B" (Good); and 63.1% made a score of less than "B". In the tests administered in June, 1947, 92.3% of the pupils were scored "A" (Excellent); 7.0% of the pupils made "B" (Good); and .7% scored less than "B". Handwriting certificates were awarded to 100% of the eighth grade pupils.

During the last school year we graded approximately 1,500 formal and 4,500 informal handwriting papers for your pupils.

We furnished the following materials for your teachers and pupils: teacher monthly outlines, pupil folder outlines, room motivation certificates, monthly and term envelopes, individual handwriting certificates for pupils in the eighth grade who qualified, handedness tests, seals, etc.

My supervisors join with me in expressing our appreciation of the splendid cooperation we have received from you and your teachers at all times.

We are very pleased with the results obtained in your schools.

Sincerely yours,
WILLIAM L. RINEHART
Supervisor of Handwriting

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

To Mr. Harold A. Truell, Superintendent of Schools:

This has been a busy year in our music department. In each class we have conscientiously strived for better quality of performance and a better understanding of all phases of our music.

During the first week of school each child's voice was tested with a phrase of a song and a scale, for tone, range and singing ability. Throughout the following months, by means of special group and individual practice, we have achieved a real strengthening of the weaker voices. The most tangible improvement is always found in the primary grades where voices are in a formative stage. However, often through real cooperative effort, voices in the intermediate grades have shown vast improvement.

Our daily program has included the acquiring of an increasing repertoire of songs and an understanding of the theory or framework of our written music. We have also had music appreciation through listening to the polished performances of great artists on records.

Participation in folk dances, with an eye toward the development of good coordination, self confidence, and grace, and a stronger sense of rhythm has proven to be a very happy and satisfactory musical experience for all grades.

With the arrival of each holiday season we have been careful to present to our classes appropriate music. In this special music has been included not only modern tunes, but also the old melodies which have become as

much a part of our national life as our laws and customs. These seasons have presented opportunities for public performance by groups of children, which is always valuable experience.

This has been a most enjoyable year in music for me, and I appreciate the understanding and cooperation of all my fellow workers.

Most sincerely,

JAMIE R. WITZEL

Supervisor of Music

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

To Mr. Harold A. Truell, Superintendent of Schools:

As school nurse for Hampden I have assisted Drs. Corwin and Yosko with vaccinations, immunization, and physical examinations.

I have also assisted Dr. Fiske, school dentist, with the examination of the children's teeth.

Of the total enrolment, 153 children have had the diphtheria immunization treatment either by their family physician or at our school clinic, leaving about 36 who are not protected. It would be well if we could have one hundred per cent protection. These 36 will again be given an opportunity to be immunized at our October clinic.

To enter school every child must be vaccinated or present an exemption card from his family physician or the school physician.

When a child enters school, he is starting on a long, strenuous journey and his association in large numbers begins. He needs to be in the best physical condition. Parents are given an opportunity to have them checked and vaccinated when they register in May. By having a child vaccinated at this time, the slight discomfort which sometimes follows is forgotten when school opens. Last year ten children attended this clinic.

If parents know that their child has been exposed to contagion, it would be very cooperative to keep him out for the incubation period, and, if he comes down with the disease, report it to the school office.

Some of the other duties performed by the nurse include the weighing of all children at least twice, testing the eyes with the Massachusetts vision testing equipment, taking children into the city for examinations, making home calls, and giving first aid when necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

SIGNE L. POLSON, R. N.

School Nurse

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1947-1948

First Term: Wednesday, September 3, to Tuesday, December 23,

Second Term: Monday, January 5, to Friday, February 20.

Third Term: Monday, March 1, to Friday, April 23.

Fourth Term: Monday, May 3, to Friday, June 18.

The schools are closed on Friday, October 24, annual meeting of the Hampden County Teachers' Association; Wednesday noon, November 26, to Friday, November 28, inclusive, Thanksgiving recess; Friday, March 26, Good Friday, and on all legal holidays.

TABLES OF STATISTICS

Children in the School Census and their Distribution

October 1, 1947

	5-7 years	7-16 years	Total
Boys	19	107	126
Girls	20	103	123
Total	39	210	249
Distribution:			
In public school	22	194	216
In Trade school	0	12	12
In private school	0	3	3
Not enrolled in any school	17	1	18
	39	210	249
Total on October 1, 1946	38	185	223

NUMBER OF PUPILS IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS BY GRADES

Five-Year Period—1942-1947

(As of October in each year)

Year	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Total
1942	31	17	25	19	27	16	18	20	173
1943	25	35	19	26	20	28	16	17	186
1944	24	22	30	17	20	22	25	10	170
1945	31	22	20	29	18	17	17	21	175
1946	26	30	21	18	30	20	17	16	178
1947	20	28	30	18	22	35	18	20	191

NUMBER OF PUPILS IN THE SEVERAL HIGH and TRADE SCHOOLS

Five-Year Period—1942-1947

(As of December in each year)

Year	Junior High School	Classical High School	High School Com'ree	Technical High School	Trade School	Total
1942	15	1	4	17	7	44
1943	18	5	6	17	5	51
1944	11	7	10	24	10	62
1945	10	8	8	19	7	52
1946	18	5	12	15	12	62
1947	10	7	10	10	15	52

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GRADUATES—June, 1947

Norma Faith Bliss	Nancy Ann Kibbe
Robert James Bowen	Joan Helen LaNois
Claire Mary Collins	Carl Alfred Lemon
Margaret Ann Connors	Ernest Richard Lunden
John Joseph Duffy	George Edgar Morin
John Martin Flynn	Alvin Marvin Morse
Theresa Ann Griffin	Ellen Robinson Prickett
Mary Elizabeth Jones	William Tennis Rock
Marie Edwidge Kibbe	

HIGH and TRADE SCHOOL HONOR ROLL—1947

Elaine Baines	Judith Hatch
Raymond Balser	Rollyn Hatch
Thomas Balser	Mary-Elizabeth Jones
Margaret Battige	Robert L. Kibbe
Annette Benson	Leanna King
Edward Breck	Joan LaNois
Betty Burleigh	Alice Sazama
Marcia Burleigh	Louis Siebaldi
Barbara Connors	Lois Tower
Thelma Dunsmoor	Carroll Willey

SCHOOL DIRECTORY, JAN. 1, 1948

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Harold A. Truell, 52 Allen Street, East Longmeadow

SUPERINTENDENT'S SECRETARY

Mrs. Emily Condon, 161 Sumner Avenue, Springfield

TEACHERS

Mrs. Eleanor B. McCray, Principal, Hampden	Grades 7-8
Helen C. Flynn, Hampden	Grades 6-7
Mrs. Lucy B. Kerr, Ludlow Road, Hampden (P. O. East Longmeadow) substitute	Grades 4-5
Mrs. Lucy S. Jeffrey, 358 South Street, Agawam	Grade 3
Mrs. Grace I. Rodin, 121 Blaine Street, Spfld.	Grade 2
Mrs. Hazel G. Nicholson, 69 Beverly Hills, West Springfield	Grade 1

JANITOR

W. Edward Burleigh, Hampden

SUPERVISOR OF ART

Mrs. Helen B. Tower, Allen Street, Hampden
(P. O. East Longmeadow)

SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

Mrs. Jamie R. Witzel, 109 Pennsylvania Avenue, Spfld.

SUPERVISOR OF HANDWRITING

William L. Rinehart, 740 Main Street, Waltham 54

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Norman Yosko, M.D., East Longmeadow

SCHOOL NURSE

Signe L. Polson, 36 Summit Street, Springfield

SCHOOL DENTIST

Dr. Harold I. Fiske, Hampden

SUPERVISORS OF ATTENDANCE

W. Edward Burleigh, Hampden

Walter Lyons, Hampden

REPORT OF HAMPDEN SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC
FOR 1947

Patients	191
Visits	178
Examinations	191
Cleanings	96
Permanent teeth filled	169
Temporary teeth filled	156
Permanent teeth extracted	27
Temporary teeth extracted	84
Amalgam fillings	310
Cement fillings	335
Porcelain fillings	66
Abscessed teeth	59
Treated teeth	18
Operations	1334
Certificates	48

Respectfully,

HAROLD I. FISKE, Dr.

Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

County of Hampden

Town of Hampden

TO ARTHUR H. GERRISH,

Constable of the Town of Hampden in said County:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the Town of Hampden qualified to vote in elections of town officers, to meet at the Town House on Monday, the second day of February, A. D., 1948 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to give in their votes on one ballot to the election officers of said town, for the following officers, to wit:

To choose a Town Clerk and a Town Treasurer for one year. To choose one Selectman for three years who shall also be on the Board of Public Welfare; to choose one Collector of Taxes; three Constables; one Tree Warden; one Auditor, all for the term of one year; and one Cemetery Commissioner, one School Committee Member, one Assessor, and one Library Trustee, all for the term of three years; one member of the Planning Board, for the term of five years. Also to choose all other necessary Town Officers. The polls open at 10:15 A. M., and may close at 7 P. M.

And you are further hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Hampden, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town House, Hampden, on Monday, February 9, A.D. 1948, at eight o'clock in the evening, then there to act on the following articles, viz;

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To hear the annual reports of all officers of the Town and any committee whose duty it may be to report at said meeting and act thereon.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws.

Article 4. To raise money and make appropriations to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$300.00 for the perpetual care of the Irving A. Newell cemetery lot.

Article 6. To see what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Fund, now in the hands of the Treasurer.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Library Receipts Reserved to the Library Account the amount of \$3.99 for use in the Library. These funds are now in the hands of the Town Treasurer and are fines collected by the Librarian.

Article 8. To see if the Town will appoint an agent or agents to institute or prosecute or defend suits and actions at law to which the Town may be a party.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$591.96 for Street Lights.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2550.00 for the repair and maintenance of Town Roads, and instruct the Selectmen to petition and contract with the Commissioners of the Department of Public Works, under the provisions of Chapter 81, Section 28 of the General Laws.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for Chapter 90 Maintenance, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1500.00 to be used in conjunction with any money that may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for reconstruction of Temple Bridge on Scantic Road.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for the widening and surfacing a part of Mill Road beginning at the end of work done in 1947, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Treas-

ury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 and 90 Highways in the four preceding articles, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County or both, for widening, surfacing and hardening a part of Ludlow Road, beginning at Allen Street, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for widening and surfacing Bennett Road to the Monson Town Line.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for widening and surfacing a part of Chapin Road.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for widening and surfacing a part of Mountain Road.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for widening and surfacing a part of South Road.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for surfacing Burleigh Road to the Wilbraham Line.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for planting trees along the highways.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for Gypay Moth Control.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to revise in its entirety Section 2 of the Advisory Committee by-law, so that in the future it shall read: "The moderator of the Town Meeting when this by-law is adopted, shall within 30 days after this by-law becomes effective appoint two members whose term of office shall expire at the adjournment of the annual Town Meeting of 1948; two members whose term of office shall expire at the adjournment of the annual Town Meeting of 1949; and one member whose term of office shall expire at the adjournment of the annual Town Meeting of 1950. Thereafter the annually elected Moderator shall fill expired vacancies for periods of three years. The terms of office of said members shall expire at the close of final adjournment of the annual Town Meeting at which time successors are appointed. Said committee shall choose its own officers as soon as practical after appointment, and shall serve without pay, excepting, however, the secretary whose salary shall be voted at the annual Town Meeting. Said committee shall cause to be kept a true record of its proceedings."

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept \$100.00 for the perpetual care for the Anton Waska burial lot in Prospect Hill Cemetery.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money in accordance with Chapter 218, Acts of 1920, an act relative to the care of Soldiers and Sailors graves.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of a Dental Clinic, in accordance with provisions of Section 50, Chapter 111, General Laws, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 27. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the Fourth of July Fund collected some years ago and now in the hands of the Treasurer.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to purchase a fire truck, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75.00 to be expended in the Town by the Hampden County Trustees For Aid to Agriculture in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapter 128, Section 42.

Article 30. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the purchase of a new truck for the highway department, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the care and maintenance of the Recreation Field or such other sums as seem best.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$271.30 to be paid to the Treasurer-Custodian of the Hampden County Retirement System as provided by Chapter 658 Section 22 of the Acts of 1945.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for an engineering survey for a public water supply, or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$36.90 for the purpose of balancing the Reserve Account which was overdrawn in 1947.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1948 and to issue a note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of General Laws.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for eradication of the Dutch Elm disease.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to extend the business zone on the westerly side of Somers Road to include the corner lot of Dominic Conti described as extending 135 feet on Main Street and 165 southerly on Somers Road and to a depth to conform to the existing business zone.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to extend the business zone on the westerly side of Somers Road to the property line of Nelson M. and Grace M. Carew to include two lots, Nos. 1 and 24, separated by a fifty (50) foot right of way and to a depth to conform to the

existing business district as indicated on the plan filed with the Planning Board by Edward N. Christianson: said plan drawn up by Merrill and Sears on August 23, 1947 and approved by the Planning Board on October 14, 1947, subject to minor changes.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting an attested copy thereof at each of the three places designated by the Town. Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at or before the time of meeting aforesaid.

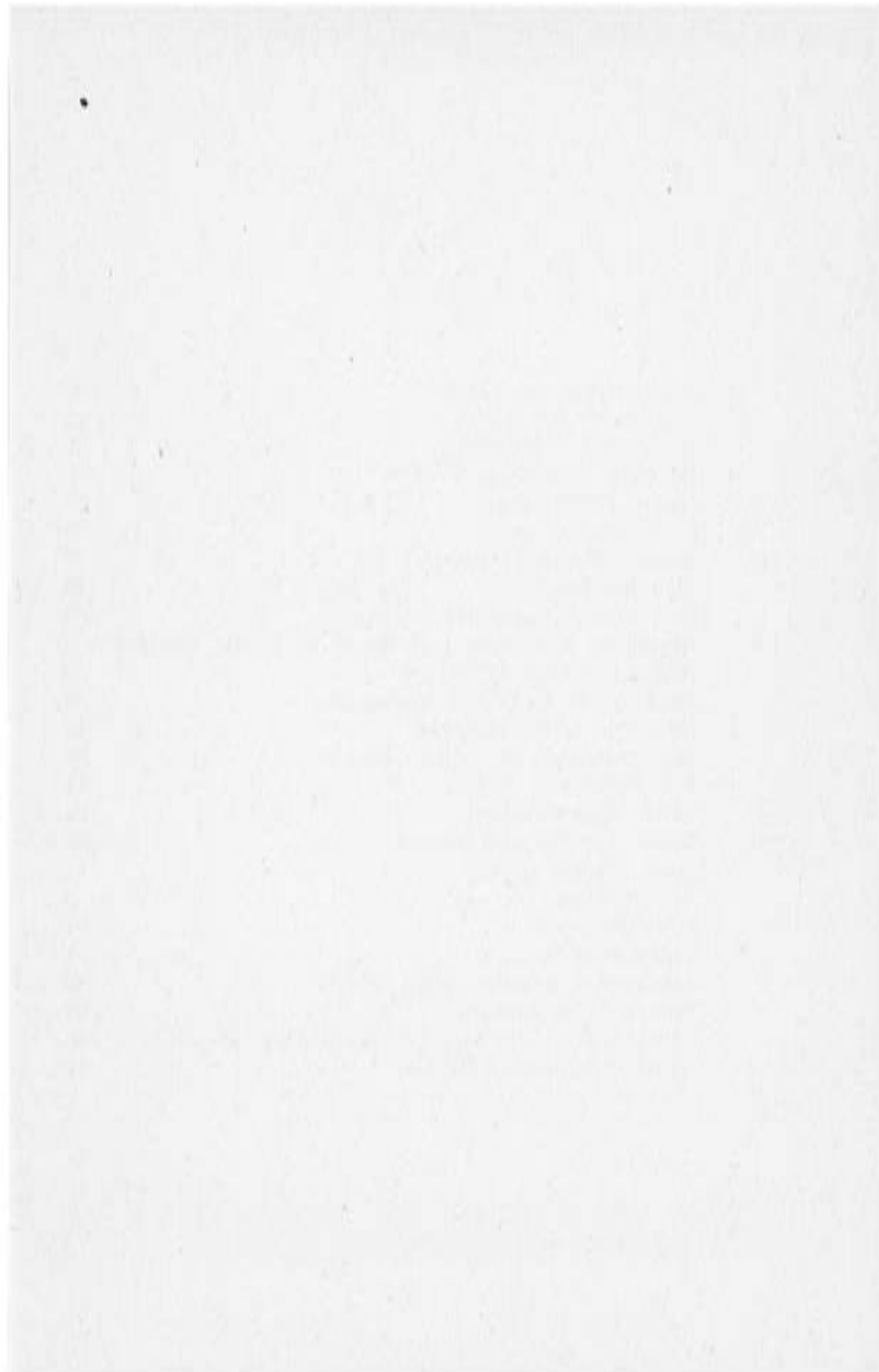
Given under our hands this seventeenth day of
January, 1948.

NEIL S. KIBBE

CARL P. LARSON

JOHN J. MORIARTY

Selectmen of Hampden



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the 1990s, the number of people with a mental health problem has increased by 50% (Mental Health Act 1983, 1990). The number of people with a mental health problem who are in contact with mental health services has increased by 100% (Mental Health Act 1983, 1990).

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