

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

During the year of 1942 the following have been sealed.

- 1 Platform scale over 10,000 lbs.
- 5 Platform scales under 5,000 lbs.
- 4 Spring scales under 100 lbs.
- 2 Computing scales under 100 lbs.
- 3 Counter scales under 100 lbs.
- 22 Avoirdupois Weight
- 1 Person weigher scale (slot)
- 7 Liquid Measures
- 8 Gasoline Meters
- 2 Kerosene Pumps

Paid Town Treasurer	\$10.31
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Salary	\$25.00
Harold Carder	3.00
Transportation	3.00
Telephone	.10
Postage	.06
	\$31.16

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. D. FISKE, Sealer

Report of Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare

To the inhabitants of the Town of Hampden:

Early in 1942 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:

1942 CHAPTER 81 EXPENDITURES ON ROADS IN TOWN OF HAMPDEN

1	Springfield Road	\$250.67
2	East Longmeadow Road	27.00
3	Wilbraham Road	181.50
4	Somers Road	136.00
5	Ludlow Road	68.80
6	Isaac Bradway Road	0.00
7	Mill Road	218.13
8	Carmody Road	68.45
9	Main Street	527.73
10	South Road	1,269.98
11	Chapin Road	518.90
12	Rockadundee Road	176.66
13	Scantic Road	357.98
14	Cross Road	13.00
15	South Monson Road	534.21
16	Thrasher Road	145.20
17	Isadore Ricard Road (abandoned)	0.00
18	Hendee Road	0.00
19	Howlett Hill Road	56.00

20	Stafford Road	163.66	
21	North Monson Road	224.06	
22	Bennett Road	747.75	
23	Ames Road	621.10	
24	Glendale Road	183.20	
25	North Road	696.99	
26	McCray Road	445.40	
27	Burleigh Road	22.60	
28	Riverside Drive	0.00	
Total			\$7,654.97
ALLOTMENTS:			
	State	\$5,100.00	
	Town	2,550.00	
Total			\$7,650.00

The new work for this year, with Town money, was the widening of the bridge and gravelling 2,000 feet on Mill Road; the widening and gravelling 2,600 feet, and installing 40 feet of culvert pipe on South Road; the widening and gravelling 1,200 feet, and installing 60 feet of culvert pipe on Chapin Road; widening 2,600 feet and installing 44 feet of culvert pipe on Rockadundee Road; widening and gravelling 2,600 feet, and installing 36 feet of culvert pipe on South Monson Road; widening and gravelling 1,500 on Bennett Road; widening and gravelling 1,200 feet, and installing 80 feet of culvert pipe on Ames Road; widening and gravelling 1,500 feet on North Road; widening and gravelling 1,500 feet on McCray Road.

As we were unable to get tar for these roads this year, the money has been spent for widening and gravelling and drainage.

Also under Chapter 81, we sealed 9,504 feet of roads

Under Chapter 90, Maintenance, East Longmeadow Road was sealed with asphalt for 1,500 feet; Main Street was sealed with tar and asphalt for 3,000 feet, with extra work on shoulders.

The work on the bridge on South Monson Road has been completed.

There are 34 miles of road, of which 20 miles are macadam and tar, and 14 miles of dirt.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

WELFARE DEPARTMENT:

Total Cases Aided During 1942:

Town Cases	5	\$703.37
State Cases	2	336.05
Other City	1	356.35
Refunded Overpayment		40.00
Miscellaneous Expense		11.27
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		\$ 1,447.04

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN:

On January 1, 1942 the Town had 3 cases. One case was closed upon leaving school.

There are now 2 cases on the pay-roll.

The cost of ADC for 1942 was \$623.67 and it is estimated that the pro rata cost will be as follows:

Federal Grants	\$ 279.37	
State's Share	271.86	
Town's Share	264.52	\$ 815.75
Administration, Federal Funds	7.95	\$ 823.67

OLD AGE ADMINISTRATION:

On January 1, 1942 there were 28 persons on the payroll; 4 new cases were added; one person aided; one person left the State and another case was closed.

There are 3 persons from Hampden on other city pay-rolls.

The total cost of Old Age Assistance and Administration was \$11,948.44 and it is estimated that pro rata costs will be as follows:

Federal Grants	\$5,510.92	
State's Share	4,176.25	
Town's Share	2,071.05	\$11,758.22
Administration, Federal Funds	190.22	\$11,984.44

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR 1943

General Government:

Legislative	\$ 5.00
Selectmen	325.00
Accounting	350.00
Treasurer	325.00
Collector	150.00
Collector's Salary	250.00
Assessors	300.00
Town Clerk	125.00
Law	175.00
Elections and Registrations	200.00
Town Hall	15.00
Town House Maintenance	1,200.00
Certifying Notes	15.00

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police	\$ 150.00
Forest Fire Equipment	125.00
Sealer	35.00
Forest Fires	250.00
Forest Warden	25.00
Tree Warden	100.00
Moth Eradication	300.00
Fire House	300.00
Fire Truck Maintenance	400.00

Health and Sanitation:

Meat Inspection	\$100.00
Animal Inspection	50.00
Dental Clinic	250.00
Health	400.00
Tuberculosis Hospital	100.00
Well Child Clinic	300.00

Highways:

Chapter 81, Maintenance	\$2,550.00
Snow and Ice Removal	750.00
Bridges and Railings and Highways	1,000.00
Chapter 90, Maintenance	400.00
Street Lighting	608.40
Road Machinery	1,700.00
Garage Maintenance	125.00

Charities and Soldiers Benefits:

Old Age Assistance	\$6,000.00
Public Welfare	2,500.00
Soldiers Relief	250.00
Aid to Dependent Children	650.00
Schools	\$26,100.00
Library	\$600.00

Unclassified:

Aid to Agriculture	\$ 50.00
Memorial Day	65.00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves	50.00
Town Common	30.00
Printing Town Reports	
Insurance	700.00
Reserve	1,000.00
Planning Board	15.00

Cemeteries:

Prospect Hill Cemetery	\$125.00
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Interest and Debt:

Interest	\$300.00
Debt	400.00

Respectfully submitted,

NEIL S. KIBBE
WILLIAM BURNS
JOHN J. FLYNN

Selectmen of Hampden

The Town Books have been examined and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are correct.

NANCY A. LIBBY

Town Auditor

1942 REPORT of the Trustees For County Aid To Agriculture and the Hampden County Improvement League

TOWN OF HAMPDEN

AGRICULTURAL WORK:

During the year practically the same agricultural projects were carried on that were started in 1941. Due to the War effort, however, many new activities required the attention of the County Agent. As secretary of numerous War Action Committees he was in a position to advise and assist many farmers in connection with carrying out the various recommendations, regulations and orders of the Federal Government.

HOME BUREAU WORK:

During the year three hundred eleven different co-operators in Hampden participated in ten different projects conducted by seventeen volunteer leaders who had nineteen meetings or demonstrations. There has been very excellent interest shown in the town in these various projects and some very outstanding results have occurred. The largest enrollment was in the following projects: Family fun, Christmas Gift Kit, Christmas Greens, Parent Education and Nutrition.

The following leaders were in charge of the various home projects and the total expenses incurred in carrying them out was \$19.61.

Mrs. Wells Carver, Mrs. Glenn Douglas, Mrs. Ben. Libbey, Mrs. Jason Doubleday, Mrs. Earle Dickinson, Mrs. Kenneth Bliss, Mrs. Hamilton DeLisle, Mrs. Violet Gottsche, Mrs. Evelyn Goodwill and Mrs. Laurence Baker.

4-H CLUB WORK:

There were thirty young people enrolled in our different 4-H Club projects during the year. The largest enrollment being in the garden club followed by food, canning and pig.

The following were volunteer leaders who had charge of the 4-H Club work in the town and the total expenses incurred by them was \$16.65.

Miss Shirley Fuller, Miss Alice Fuller, Mr. Earl Harris and Mr. Hamilton DeLisle.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1942 Appropriation	\$ 50.00
Balance carried over from 1941	—
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	\$ 50.00
* Expended in 1942	36.26
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Balance available for 1943	\$ 13.74

Amount Recommended for 1943—\$50.00.

* Local leaders as listed above incurred these expenses and they received checks directly from the County Treasurer who handles the Town appropriation for the Trustees according to Chapter 128 of the General Laws.

Respectfully submitted,

TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID TO AGRICULTURE
L. B. BOSTON

Clerk

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Report of School Committee of Hampden

ORGANIZATION

Wm. Harry Burns, Chairman	1944
Catherine E. Ransom	1943
Wilfred H. Breck	1945

Edmund R. Sawyer, Secretary and Superintendent

During 1942 reimbursements on account of schools
were received as follows:

From the Commonwealth:

General School Fund, Part I	\$1,425.00
General School Fund, Part II	872.87
Superintendent's Salary	
Reimbursement	214.81
High School Tuition	3,722.86
High School Transportation	1,754.40
Trade School Tuition and	
Transportation	942.35
Tuition and Transportation,	
State Children	779.66
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	\$9,711.95

From other sources:

Tuition refunds	175.43
Miscellaneous	5.38
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	180.81
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Total	\$9,892.76

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1942

Appropriation	\$24,000.00
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Expenditures:

School Committee	120.00
Superintendent's Salary	394.48
Other Expenses	241.15

Total for General Control	\$ 755.63
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Supervisors' Salaries	497.00
Teachers' Salaries	7,059.28
Textbooks	135.98
Supplies	441.22
Janitors	1,200.00
Fuel	1,001.58
Miscellaneous Operating	232.04
Repairs	76.70
Health	464.32
Local Transportation	1,999.00
Miscellaneous Auxiliary	32.53
New Equipment	84.18

Total for Elementary Schools	\$13,223.83
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High School Tuition	5,074.39
High and Trade School Transportation	2,211.75
Trade School Tuition	1,649.83

Total for High and Trade Schools	8,935.97
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Total Expenditures	\$22,915.43
Less tuition refunds	175.43

Net Expenditures	\$22,740.00
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NET COST OF SCHOOLS TO THE TOWN

Expenditures, General Control	\$ 755.63	
Reimbursement	214.81	
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Net cost		\$ 540.82
Expenditures, Elementary Schools	13,223.83	
Reimbursement	3,077.53	
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Net cost		10,146.30
Expenditures, High and Trade School	8,935.97	
Reimbursement	6,419.61	
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Net cost		2,516.36
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Total net cost to town		\$13,203.48

APPROPRIATIONS NEEDED FOR 1943

The school committee recommends a budget for 1943 as follows:

School Committee	\$ 125.00	
Superintendence	686.10	
Supervisors	575.00	
Teachers	7,450.00	
Textbooks	250.00	
Supplies	550.00	
Janitor	1,300.00	
Fuel	1,450.00	
Miscellaneous Operating	200.00	
Repairs and Replacements	200.00	
Health	475.00	
Transportation	5,210.40	
Tuition	7,602.50	
Miscellaneous Auxiliary	26.00	
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		\$26,100.00

**ESTIMATE OF CREDIT ON ACCOUNT
OF EDUCATION FOR 1943**

It is estimated that the receipts of account of education during 1943 will be approximately as follows:

General School Fund, Part II	\$1,319.20	
General School Fund, Part I	1,395.00	
Superintendent's Salary	214.81	
High School Tuition	3,500.00	
High School Transportation	1,950.00	
Trade School Tuition and Transportation	1,323.95	
State Wards	700.00	
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		\$10,402.96

Respectfully submitted,

WM. HARRY BURNS

CATHERINE E. RANSOM

WILFRED H. BRECK

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of Hampden:

It gives me pleasure to submit herewith my second annual report as superintendent of schools in the town of Hampden.

Teaching Personnel

One change in our corps of teachers was necessitated by the resignation of Miss Marie Schroeder at the close of school in June. Miss Marjorie E. Fairfield of Conway, Massachusetts, was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy. She graduated from the State Teachers' College at North Adams where she received last June the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education. She has come to us very highly recommended and there is no doubt that she will be most successful.

Elementary Schools and the War

During the past year much has occurred to greatly change the slogan "school as usual." In spite of the attractiveness of such a phrase, no one can declare truthfully that such is now the case. The nation is at war—all of us are at war and that means our schools are at war. In addition to teaching the traditional subjects, that means our teachers are now asked to devote considerable time to other activities in school and out. I want to pay tribute to the uncomplaining, willing and loyal co-operation which they have given to the various programs of rationing, war savings stamps campaign, salvage and Junior Red Cross.

Because of the radical changes made in the opening and closing times of the Springfield junior and senior high schools, there arose the problem of when sessions in our local schools should begin. To have continued on our regular time would have meant the hiring of additional buses. Two plans were considered: (1) open at 8 A. M., (2) open at 9:45 A. M. 8 A. M. War Time is 7 A. M. Sun Time or Eastern Standard Time. To open at the earlier hour mean that many of our pupils would have to be ready to board a school bus at 6:30 A. M. Sun Time or earlier.. Under the plan adopted, children leave school at 4:15 P. M. when there is more daylight remaining than there used to be under the 3:30 P. M. dismissal.

Repairs and Improvements

The usual minor repairs were accomplished during the past year such as refinishing classroom floors and desks.

Enrolment

The enrolment this year has not increased greatly. One year ago in December there were 165 pupils enrolled in the Consolidated school. This year there are 172, which is an average of about 29 pupils per teacher.

Elimination of the No School Signal

Following the practice which is being adopted in many towns and cities, the "no school" signal has been eliminated. Schools will be open on each school day regardless of weather conditions. When the weather is extremely severe, the matter of the advisability of sending children to school is left solely to the judgment of parents. In bad weather there are many children who live near the school or who are transported by bus who will suffer little inconvenience in reaching school. The

attendance contests are eliminated and with them also the stigma which formerly was sometimes attached to a pupil whose absence spoiled the one hundred per cent record of his room. There is little doubt that occasionally a pupil who should have remained at home because of illness has pleaded successfully to be permitted to go to school in order that he might not be the individual scornfully pointed out as the one who spoiled an attendance record. Good health is more important than one hundred per cent attendance at school.

Visual Education

It is a pleasure to report that our school now has a fine motion picture machine equipped for sound reproduction. This was purchased with money provided from the proceeds of operettas, and also through the generosity of the Hampden Catholic Women's Club, the Hampden Fire Company, the Hampden Grange, the Ladies' Aid Society, and the Hampden Parent-Teacher Association.

Our motion picture program is being provided this year through the Visual Aids Department of the State Department of Education from the office of University Extension. We are showing a total of 30 reels in groups of two reels each for fifteen showings. Since the reels are also used in East Longmeadow and Wilbraham, the cost per reel is very low. It amounts to about 14 cents per reel or about $\frac{8}{100}$ of one cent per pupil. The subjects are as follows: 5 reels on the Symphony Orchestra including the String, Woodwind, Brass and Percussion Groups and the Full Orchestra, Beach and Sea Animals, Farm Animals, Animals in Modern Life, How Nature Protects Animals, Animals of the Zoo, Argentina, Brazil, Butterflies, Colonial Children, Our Earth, Flowers at Work, The House Fly, The Frog, Leaves, Metal Craft, Arts and Crafts of Mexico, Mountain Building, Conserva-

tion of Natural Resources, Navajo Indians, New England Fishermen, Pottery Making, Poultry on the Farm, Shelter, Thrushes and Relatives, and the Development of Transportation. These films are all the work of the Erpi Film Company and were made especially for school children.

Honor Pupils in High and Trade School

Hampden is proud of the high rating obtained by so many of its secondary school pupils. Again this year there has been a substantial gain in the percentage of those listed on the honor rolls of the Springfield high and trade schools.

Year	Total Pupils	Honor Pupils	Per Cent
1937	38	11	29
1938	41	11	27
1939	48	14	29
1940	40	12	30
1941	48	16	33
1942	44	18	41

Following the custom established several years ago, one pupil was awarded a special commendation certificate at the local graduation exercises for having been on the honor roll for three successive years.

Achievement Tests

The annual achievement testing was done again as in past years in April and the results in most grades indicated achievement equal to or above the test norms. The results for the Wilhameadow Union are as follows:

Grade	1941 Average	1942 Average	Norm
3	3.5	3.5	3.8
4	5.3	4.9	4.8
5	6.0	6.1	5.8
6	6.9	7.1	6.8
7	8.3	7.9	7.8
8	8.7	8.9	8.8

In explanation of this table, attention is called to the fact that 8.7, for instance, means the seventh month of school in the eighth grade; 5.2 means the second month of school in the fifth grade and so on. Since these tests were given in April, the norm of achievement for any grade is indicated by the decimal. 8. It will be noted that in all grades except the third the 1942 average was above the test norm. In the third grade the average lacked three months.

Wilhameadow Teachers' Association

Again this year all our teachers and supervisors are members of the Wilhameadow Teachers' Association and it is to be noted with a bit of pride that this one hundred per cent membership was the first to be reported to the Massachusetts Teachers' Federation. One hundred per cent of our teachers are members of the National Education Association; eighty-three per cent of the Wilbraham teachers, and seventy-five per cent of the East Longmeadow teachers are enrolled in the organization. This large number in the three towns of School Union No. 17 is worthy of mention. The Massachusetts Teachers' Federation and the National Education Association have done a great deal to improve education, teaching conditions and professional ethics.

Junior Red Cross

Mrs. Marion C. Hibert, Director of the Junior Red

Cross in the Springfield area, came to the schools at the beginning of the membership drive and explained to the pupils and teachers the aim and objects. Junior Red Cross is the Red Cross in the schools, public, private, and parochial. Children may join only in the school rooms. Any school room may enrol by the payment of fifty cents for the group. No accounting of individual contributions is necessary. For this fifty cents the class receives one copy each month of the Junior Red Cross News published in Washington, D. C., a membership roll and a poster for the room. Each pupil receives a Junior Red Cross button. This year, in order to conserve tin, forty-three tons of which would be necessary for the entire country, cardboard tags have been substituted. Pupils who belong to the Junior Red Cross think of "school work for service." Many of the regular school activities fit in perfectly with this program. Pictures drawn and stories written may be sent to sick persons, veterans in hospitals, and men in the army and navy. Letters may be exchanged with children in distant parts of our country and other countries.

The response to this call for Junior Red Cross enrolment has been enthusiastic and one hundred per cent membership has been achieved in all the schools of East Longmeadow, Hampden, and Wilbraham.

Supervisors

The work of Mrs. Seymour in music and Mrs. Tower in art continue on a very high plane. We are exceedingly fortunate in having these ladies in charge of these subjects which are essential in the education of young people.

The supervision in handwriting has been expanded to the original plan of several years ago and calls for a visit each month to each room by one of Mr. Rinehart's carefully trained supervisors. Greater improvement in handwriting has already been noted and enthusiastic,

unsolicited comments from many parents are frequently being made.

Dr. Yosko, our former school physician, has been called into the service, and Dr. Schneider of Monson has been selected to take his place. He and Miss Polson have devoted much time to physical examinations and immunization. Their work is most commendable.

In an attempt to reduce printing costs, this report has intentionally been made as short as possible.

Please bear in mind that your superintendent of schools is ready at all times to meet parents, teachers, and pupils to discuss mutual problems. To save time it is best to make an appointment. Also please bear in mind that teachers are anxious to confer with parents at any time which does not interfere with their teaching duties. The schools are open to parents who wish to visit, and it is hoped that more will respond to this invitation. Come in the morning once in a while even if it means disrupting the household routine. Many of the most important subjects are taught during the morning session.

My sincere appreciation is extended to the school committee for its unselfish devotion to the cause of good schools for all children of Hampden.

“Next in importance to freedom and justice is popular education, without which neither freedom nor justice can be permanently maintained.”
James A. Garfield

Respectfully submitted,

EDMUND R. SAWYER

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR

To Mr. Edmund R. Sawyer, Superintendent of Schools:

It's grand to be an American, working in the public schools. Working with children today is a challenge and a privilege. We must all think less of ourselves and more of them, what they need and are going to need to cope with situations as they will find them. We must give them the right attitudes, train them for better health, courage, ability.

Where does Art come into this? It comes into every part of school work. Art is character building. It isn't the picture you paint or the article you make; it's the skill you acquire, the right attitude, the confidence, and ability. By actual doing, one gains appreciation of the work of others, constructive thinking and doing.

The children in our schools have been working for the Junior Red Cross making gifts and posters. The children have designed room decorations, made bulletin boards for sale of Defense Stamps, promoting Victory Gardens, health posters, and Christmas gifts.

During the past year through the State Department of Forestry there were purchased and distributed to pupils in the towns of East Longmeadow, Hampden, and Wilbraham 7,600 trees. Aside from the beauty these trees will create in the years to come, the mere acquiring and caring for them builds character.

In closing, I want to thank all connected with the schools for their wonderful co-operation; it is a pleasure to work with them. Let us all resolve to have more appreciation of the goodness of others and the beauty around us, for goodness and beauty are not rationed.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN B. TOWER

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF HANDWRITING

To Mr. Edmund R. Sawyer, 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 1941-42.

In the initial handwriting test administered in the Hampden schools in September, 1938, 18.4 per cent of the pupils made a score of "A" (Excellent); 18.4 per cent made "B" (Good); and 63.1 per cent made a score of less than "B". In the tests administered in June, 1942, 92.6 per cent of the pupils were scored "A" (Excellent); 3.0 per cent made "B" (Good); and 4.4 per cent scored less than "B". This is a remarkable achievement and I should like to congratulate the pupils and teachers of Hampden.

During the last school year we graded 1,750 formal handwriting tests. A monthly diagnosis of the handwriting in each room was sent to the teacher of same.

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, term testing paper, seals, etc.

This year we are operating on a room visitation plan of supervision in your schools. This will give us an opportunity to give individual help in person to the children who are still having difficulty with their handwriting.

I should like to express my appreciation for the excellent effort on the part of your teachers and pupils and I assure you that we are grateful for the fine co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. RINEHART

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

To Mr. Edmund R. Sawyer, Superintendent of Schools:

During the past year not only have the educational objectives of music been upheld, but music has been, and is being, used more and more as a morale builder and strengthener of patriotic ideals. Only one small example of this is shown in the quotation below — a stanza to “America” written by Longfellow. It reads as follows:

“Lord, let war’s tempests cease,
Fold the whole world in peace
Under Thy wings.
Make all the nations one,
All hearts beneath the sun,
Till Thou shalt reign alone,
Great King of Kings!”

The above stanza was taught to the children in September and is used frequently for opening exercises.

Graduation last June was built around the principles of good citizenship, love of country, and liberty and what they mean in a world at war. The songs in melody and content exemplified these concepts.

This fall the unit idea was offered the teachers as a means of working from a center of interest—resulting in a more meaningful choice of song material. The units lasted from six to eight weeks and were based upon a variety of subjects. The following are illustrative: Mother Goose, Good Health, Good Citizenship, Origins of American Music, European Backgrounds, Home, Family and School, Community Life, Gems of Literature.

During American Education Week some units were completed and presented as programs.

Music Appreciation has been given added impetus

this year by the splendid musical movies shown under the direction of Mr. Sawyer. These have created a great deal of interest in the symphony orchestra, its personnel, and instrumentation. The work is greatly supplemented by regular appreciation lessons. These take the form of preparation for the movies shown, rhythmic development, program music, and opera.

Since the best time for mastering a technique is that moment of acute need for it, the mastery of music fundamentals in sight reading is presented with that point in view. The alacrity with which many of the teachers adapt various methods of presentation of subject matter is to be commended.

In observance of the Christmas season the story of the Nativity was portrayed in pantomime and narrative with suitable Christmas music.

Respectfully submitted,

CECILIA C. SEYMOUR

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

To Mr. Edmund R. Sawyer, Superintendent of Schools:

Being physically and mentally well is very necessary for us all these days. The schools are doing their part by instruction in hygiene and physical education and by helping to have physical defects corrected following physical examinations.

Many times children are given well-balanced diets, but, due to poor teeth which prevent proper mastication and in turn improper assimilation of food, or, due to absorption of poisons from different sources (tonsils for instance) the result is poor nutrition. Medicine or food

cannot be one hundred per cent effective under these conditions. Another very important factor in keeping fit is a sufficient number of hours of sleep.

Due to the change in school doctors the work was somewhat hindered. But I feel that with Dr. Schneider we will soon catch up. I have assisted the doctor with vaccinating and immunizing and with some of the physical examinations.

With an audiometer loaned us by the State Department of Public Health I have tested the ears of 117 children in grades 4 through 8. Of these, 14 were retested, but none were found with a hearing loss. This is a good report.

Hampden has been fortunate thus far this winter in not having any contagion, and we hope this will continue. Last spring we had some cases of measles, mumps, and whooping cough. The co-operation of parents is desired in this matter by reporting to the school department when a child has a contagious disease and seeing that the child, after the required length of time of exclusion, has a signed note from family doctor or school doctor for his return to school.

Following inspections by the doctor or nurse, children have been excluded because of colds, sore throats or skin affection. If a child is found with a temperature of ninety-nine degrees or over, he is sent home. That is the best place for him under those circumstances.

Two Hampden girls spent fourteen days of their vacation at Camp Frederic Edwards.

Among many other duties, I have assisted the school dentist at the dental examination.

For the co-operation of teachers and others during the past year, thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

SIGNE L. POLSON, R. N.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DENTIST

There follows a summary of the work accomplished in the school dental clinic during 1942:

Visits	121
Patients	121
Examinations	121
Cleanings	94
Permanent teeth filled	183
Temporary teeth filled	57
Permament teeth extracted	13
Temporary teeth extracted	41
Amalgam fillings	205
Cement fillings	156
Porcelain fillings	17
Abscessed teeth	36
Operations	870
Certificates	52

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD I. FISKE, D. M. D.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1942-1943

First Term:

Wednesday, September 9, to Wednesday, December 23

Second Term:

Monday, January 4, to Friday, February 26

Third Term:

Monday, March 8, to Friday, April 30

Fourth Term:

Monday, May 10, to Friday, June 25

The schools are closed on Friday, October 30, annual meeting of the Hampden County Teachers' Association; Wednesday noon, November 25, to Friday, November 27, inclusive, Thanksgiving recess; on Friday, April 23, Good Friday; and on all legal holidays.

TABLE OF STATISTICS

Children in the School Census and their Distribution October 1, 1942

	5 to 7 Years	7 to 16 Years	Total
Boys	22	80	102
Girls	24	79	103
Total	46	159	205
Distribution:			
In public school	38	158	196
In Trade school	0	1	1
Not enrolled in any school	8	0	8
Total	46	159	205
Total on October 1, 1941	38	168	206

School Membership and Attendance, 1941-1942

	Aggregate Attendance	Average Daily Attendance	Total Membership	Average Membership	Per cent of Attendance	Cases of Tardiness	Cases of Dismissal
Mrs. McCray	4,847.5	27.27	31	28.67	95.13	0	4
Miss Flynn	4,537.	25.58	31	26.88	95.12	10	1
Miss Fox	4,402.	24.73	30	26.24	94.25	7	2
Miss Schroeder							
	4,468.5	25.03	32	26.89	93.35	10	2
Miss Fitzgerald							
	4,290.5	24.12	32	26.42	90.50	8	13
Mrs. Jeffrey	4,037.	22.67	27	25.38	89.32	10	17
	26,582.5	149.40	183	160.48	92.94	45	39

Number of Pupils in Elementary Schools by Grades, Five-Year Period 1937-1942

(As of December in each year)

Year—Grade	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Total
1937	24	8	26	17	20	14	17	10	136
1938	31	17	15	22	16	20	13	19	153
1939	18	28	13	14	23	20	18	12	146
1940	25	15	28	17	16	26	16	20	163
1941	26	22	19	28	16	16	22	16	165
1942	31	17	23	19	27	16	17	22	172

**Number of Pupils in the Several High and Trade Schools,
Five-Year
Period 1937-1942
(As of December in each year)**

	Junior High School	Classical High School	High School of Commerce	Technical High School	Trade School	Total
1937	11	3	8	11	5	38
1938	11	5	11	12	2	41
1939	13	2	11	17	5	48
1940	9	1	7	16	7	40
1941	13	3	7	13	12	48
1942	15	1	4	17	7	44

Elementary School Graduates, June, 1942

Phyllis Louise Asher	Adrienne Alberta LaBelle
Charles Everett Ballou	Theresa Yvette LaBelle
Francis Henry Barry	Geraldine T. Lamoureux
Barbara Rachel Burleigh	John Matthew McGill
Edwin William Dunlea	Charles Raymond Melville
George Davenport Fisher	Lewis Harlon Morse
Willard James Flynn	Robert Michael Sicbaldi
Anne Catherine Hamel	Harold Albro Smith
Raymond Bernard Temple	Jean Ellen Helberg

HONOR ROLL

High and Trade School Honor Roll, 1942

Barbara Burleigh	Shirley Kibbe
Robert Dickinson	Adrienne LaBelle
Roberta Dickinson	Theresa LaBelle
Marilyn Fisher	Edythe Lemon
Willard Flynn	Ethel Peterson
Alice Fuller	William Prickett
Anne Hamel	* Pearl Gladys Rodimon
Edith Isham	Ralph Schneelock
Ian Joyce	George Whitkop

* Three-year honor pupil, High School of Commerce.

SCHOOL DIRECTORY, JAN. 1, 1943

Superintendent of Schools

Edmund R. Sawyer, Residence: 54 North Main Street,
East Longmeadow

Office: Town Hall, East Longmeadow

Superintendent's Secretary

Mrs. Emily Condon, 54 Fairfield Street, Springfield

Teachers

Mrs. Eleanor B. McCray, Principal, Hampden

Grades 7 - 8

Helen C. Flynn, Hampden

Grades 6 - 7

Florence L. Fox, 609 Sumner Ave., Springfield Grade 5

Marjorie E. Fairfield, 35 Taylor St., East Longmeadow

Grades 3 - 4

Catherine A. Fitzgerald, 207 Bay St., Springfield

Grades 2 - 3

Mrs. Lucy S. Jeffrey, 92 Wilmont St., Springfield

Grade 1

Supervisor of Art

Mrs. Helen B. Tower, Allen St., Hampden,

P. O. Address, East Longmeadow

Supervisor of Handwriting

Wm. L. Rinehart, Harvard Square,

P. O. Box 145, Cambridge

Supervisor of Music

Mrs. Cecilia C. Seymour, 26½ Crown St., Westfield

School Physician

Dr. Benjamin Schneider, Monson

School Nurse

Signe L. Polson, 36 Summit Street, Springfield

School Dentist

Dr. Harold I. Fiske, Hampden

Supervisors of Attendance

Fred A. Perkins, Hampden

Walter Lyons, Hampden

Town Warrant

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Hampden, ss

TO ARTHUR H. GERRISH,

Constable of the Town of Hampden:

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town who are qualified to vote in Town Affairs and Elections, to meet at the Town House on Monday, the first day of February, A.D., 1943, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles:

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

Article 2. To choose a Town Clerk and 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, for the term of one year; and one Cemetery Commissioner, one School Committee Member, one Assessor, all for the term of three years; two Library Trustees, one for three years and one for one year; two members of the Planning Board, one for the

term of five years and one for the term of one year. All to be on one ballot. Also to choose all other necessary Town Officers. The polls open at 10:15 A.M. and may close at 7 P.M.

Article 3. 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 4. To fix the compensation of all officers and other employees of the Town, in accordance with Section 8, Chapter 591, Acts of 1920.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to increase the salary of the tax collector from \$150 per year to \$250 per year.

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 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 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$608.40 for Street Lights.

Article 9. To see whether the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to be expended in the Town by the Hampden County Trustees for Aid to Agriculture, in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the Commonwealth.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,550.00 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 \$400.00, 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 thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for widening and surfacing a part of Ames Road.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$1,200.00 from the Road Machinery Fund to the Road Machinery Account, and to raise and appropriate \$500.00 for the same.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for planting trees along the highways.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 to pay the building inspector for the coming year.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to accept the following as a building code:

1. All buildings erected or altered shall have par-

titions firestopped and have non-combustible roofing. An existing wooden shingle roof may be repaired but not renewed.

2. All new chimneys shall start from the ground and have flue lining installed.

3. All plumbing shall conform to state laws.

4. All electrical wiring shall conform to the 1940 National Electrical Code.

5. No building or other structure or part thereof shall be erected, altered, repaired, or have its use or occupancy changed; no system of plumbing, electrical wiring, including any apparatus connected therewith, without permission of the building inspector, in accordance with these requirements.

This ordinance shall take effect thirty days from the date of passage by the attorney-general.

Article 17. To see what action the Town will take in regard to continuing the Pre-School Well Child Clinic and raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 therefor.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use \$4,000.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund for the purpose of reducing the tax rate.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for Gypsy Moth Control.

Article 20. 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 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for local Defense Work.

Article 22. 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 23. To see if the Town will vote to pay the unpaid bills of 1942; namely, that of the City of Springfield for \$44.60; Community Feed Stores \$1.70; Sinclair Refining Co. \$72.00; Victoria Tire Co. \$1.75; Krohne's Service Station \$3.00.

Article 24. 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, 1943, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 25. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and carry into effect any vote or votes passed under the preceding articles; and to appropriate the same, also how such money shall be raised.

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 sixteenth day of January, 1943.

NEIL S. KIBBE

WILLIAM BURNS

JOHN FLYNN

Selectmen of Hampden

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Please bring this book to
Town Meeting as it is the
only copy you are entitled to.