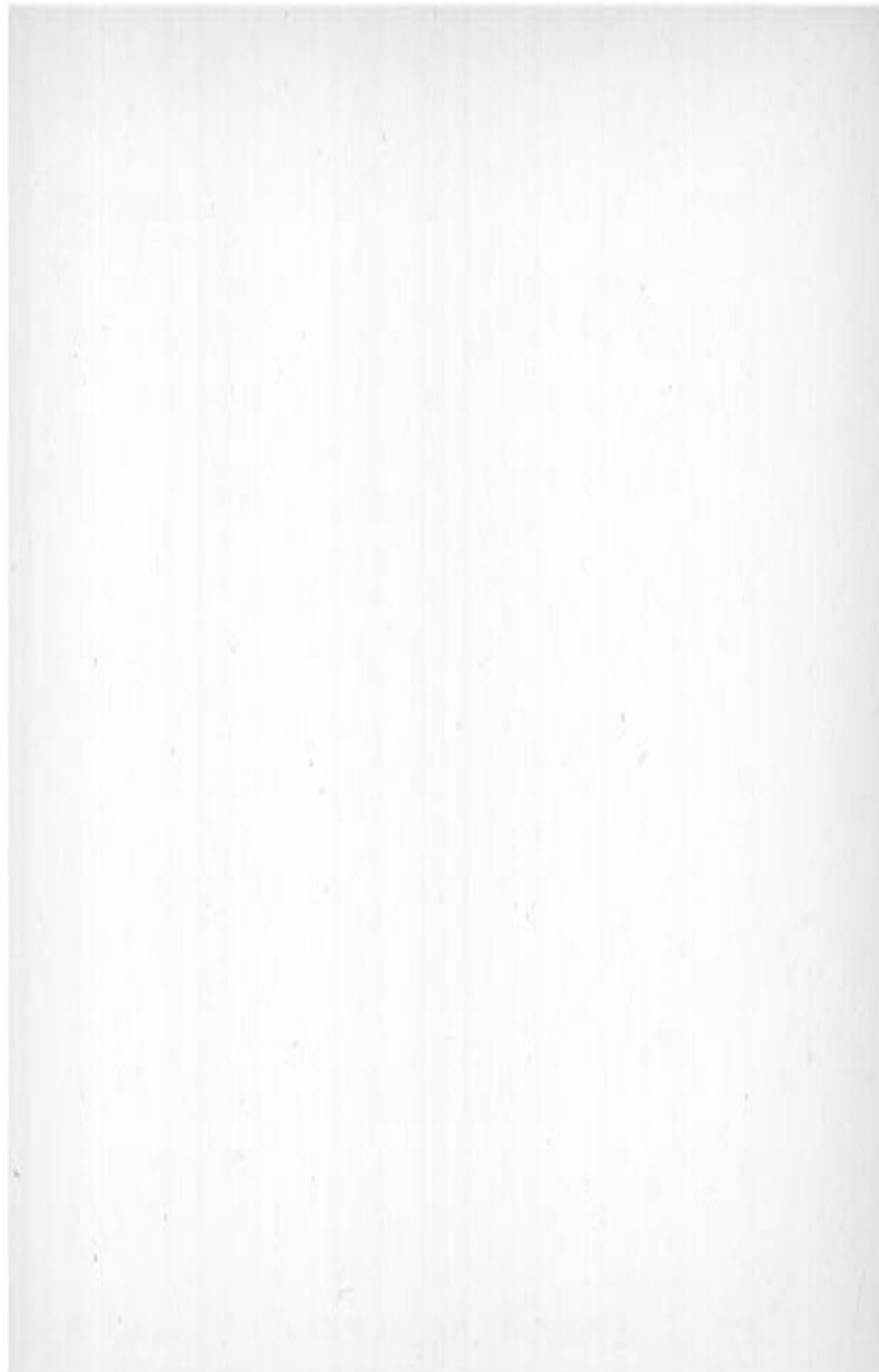


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Palmer, Mass.

The Palmer Register, Inc.

Town Officers --- 1943

Moderator

CHARLES F. MEDICKE

Clerk and Treasurer

GRACE L. KIBBE

Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare

NEIL S. KIBBE, Chairman, 1945

WILLIAM BURNS, 1946

JOHN J. FLYNN, 1944

Assessors

HOMER L. HATCH, Chairman, 1945

GEO. A. CHAPIN, 1946

EDWARD J. THRESHER, 1944

School Committee

WILLIAM HARRY BURNS, Chairman, 1944

CATHERINE RANSOM, 1946

WILFRED R. BRECK, 1945

Trustees for Public Library

MIRIAM P. BRYANS, 1945

ELEANOR B. McCRAY, 1946

ELIZABETH Q. MORGAN, 1944

Collector of Taxes

CARL P. LARSON

Constables

ARTHUR H. GERRISH

AUSTIN HARRIS

EARLE DICKINSON

Cemetery Commissioners

RICHARD JOYCE, Chairman, 1944

ERNEST W. HOWLETT, 1946

JOHN B. ISHAM, 1945

Town Bookkeeper

HAZEL FISHER

Planning Board

E. NORTON DAVIS, Chairman, 1947

MARION WELLS GERRISH, 1948

EDWIN C. STACY, 1945

HELEN E. LARSON, 1946

ALLEN R. PHILLIPS, 1944

Auditor

NANCY A. LIBBY

Tree Warden

LEROY O. HOWLETT

Forest Fire Warden

BERNARD ACKERMAN

Inspector of Animals

PERCY FULLER

Inspector of Slaughtering

EDWARD THRESHER

Sealer of Weights and Measures

BERNARD ACKERMAN

Moth Superintendent

CHARLES LEMON

Superintendent of Streets

LEROY O. HOWLETT

Pound Keeper and Field Driver

PERCY FULLER

Fence Viewers

D. RALPH ISHAM

WALTER BARTLETT

E. NORTON DAVIS

Voters Liable for Jury Duty for the Year Beginning

August 1, 1942

GEORGE A. CHAPIN

LOUIS LUIPPOLD

CARL P. LARSON

MARCUS GOTTSCHÉ

JOHN J. FLYNN

HOMER L. HATCH

WILLIAM ENSLIN

CHARLES LEMON

HAROLD J. BENNETT

Town Bookkeeper's Report

RECAPITULATION OF RECEIPTS FOR 1943

Balance January 1, 1943			\$28,831.56
General Revenue			
TAXES			
Current year:			
Poll	\$686.00		
Personal Property	3,097.50		
Real Estate	25,095.89	\$28,879.39	
Previous years:			
Personal Property	1,039.91		
Real Estate	7,825.96	8,865.87	
Tax Title		46.55	
			3,7791.81
From State:			
Income Tax	4,120.00		
Corporation Tax	1,528.93	5,648.93	
			5,648.93
LICENSES AND PERMITS:			
Liquor Licenses	500.00		
Milk Licenses	4.00		
Junk Licenses	11.25	515.25	515.25
DOG TAXES:			
Collected for County		475.20	475.20
UNITED STATES GRANTS:			
Old Age Assistance	7,888.78		
Aid Dependent Children	203.41		
Meal Tax	319.66	8,411.85	8,411.85

GRANTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS

FROM STATE:

Schools:

Vocational, or Trade	1,262.86
Mass. School Fund	1,319.20
High School Tuition	3,706.59
High School Transp.	1,863.21
Union School	
Superintendency	214.81
Refunds	49.50
Vocational Tuition	484.80
Vocational Transp.	229.20
Mass. Trade Sch. Pub., Wel.	43.20

Highway Grants:	5,445.59	
Animal Inspection	1.50	14,620.46

Total Receipts General Government \$67,463.50

Commercial Revenue—Grants:

Dog Taxes from County	401.85	401.85
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MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAX

Current year	2,334.28	
Previous year	68.84	2,403.12

Total Commercial Receipts from Grants 2,804.97

COMMERCIAL REVENUE—Departmental

Town House Rentals	49.00	
Phone Tolls	10.56	59.56
Protection Life and Property:		
Sealer Fees	11.04	11.04
Health:		
Sch. Dental Payments	108.50	

From Town:		
Road Machinery Acct.	470.00	
Welfare:		
Aid Dependent Children	280.94	
Old Age Assistance	2,875.36	
Return of Petty Cash by Tax		
Collector	25.00	
Library:		
Book Fines	11.01	
Total Departmental Reimbursements and Collections		3,841.41
Commercial Revenue:		
Cemetery—Sale of lots	140.00	140.00
INTEREST:		
On Current Taxes	8.93	
On Deferred Taxes	293.92	
On Poll Demands	10.85	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	1.88	
Cemetery Trust Funds	26.50	
Holt Library Funds	10.05	
Tax Titles	6.35	
Trust Funds	120.20	478.68
Total Interest Collections		478.68
MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS:		
Union Trust Co.:		
Loan in Anticipation of		
Reimbursement	5,050.00	5,050.00

Refunds:

Insurance	148.80		
Health	144.00		
Uncashed Check	12.50		
Overpayment	27.89	333.19	333.19

20% Withholding:

For Federal Tax	1,383.88	1,383.88
Total Receipts for 1943		81,495.63
Cash Balance as of Jan. 1, 1942		28,831.56

Total		\$110,327.19
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RECAPITULATION OF EXPENDITURES FOR 1943

LEGISLATURE:

MODERATOR:

Chas. F. Medicke	5.00		5.00
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GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

SELECTMEN:

Salaries:

Neil S. Kibbe	150.00		
William Burns	50.00		
John J. Flynn	50.00	250.00	

Other Expenses:

Hobbs & Warren,			
Forms and License Book	5.45		
Dues, Selectmen's Ass'n.	9.00		
Palmer Register	7.50	21.95	271.95

ACCOUNTING

Salaries:

Nancy A. Libby, Auditor	15.00		
Chas. F. Medicke			
Bookkeeper	200.00		
Hazel T. Fisher			
Bookkeeper	100.00	315.00	

Other Expense:

Postage, Adding Machine			
Rolls	2.61		
Accounting Forms	13.22	15.83	330.83

TREASURER

Grace L. Kibbe, Salary	300.00	300.00	
Other Expense:			
Messenger Bond	21.00		
Olney Woodard, Robbery Bond	10.00		
Olney Woodard, Treasurer's Bond	27.50		
Printing Envelopes and Stationery	22.32		
Victory Tax Cards	1.61	82.43	382.43

TAX COLLECTING

Carl P. Larson, Salary	300.00		
Petty Cash	25.00		
Bond	56.00		
Supplies	33.75		
Postage	28.00		
Expense to Sch. of Inst.	4.40	447.15	447.15

ASSESSORS

Salaries:			
Homer L. Hatch	125.00		
Edward J. Thresher	50.00		
George A. Chapin	50.00		
May B. Hatch	35.00	260.00	
Other Expenses:			
Edward J. Thresher Traveling	25.00		
Postage and Supplies	3.33		
Two Cert. Copies, Tax List	15.00		
Miscellaneous	12.76	56.09	316.09

OTHER FINANCES

Hampden Co. Treas.			
Cert. Reg. Road Pet.	3.00		
Cert. Note	5.00	8.00	8.00

LAW

Ballard & Weston	26.00	31.00	31.00
Homer Hatch.			
Notary Public	5.00		

TOWN CLERK

Bond	5.00		
Burial Permits	2.50		
Miscellaneous	8.71		
Town Meet. and			
Record.	9.00		
Registrations	6.00		
Preparing Voting Lists	6.00		
Posting Bills	4.00		
Births, Marriages and			
Deaths	44.50		
Caucus and Bal. of Printing	4.00	89.71	89.71

ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATIONS

Palmer Register	36.00		
Street List			
Chas. F. Medicke	66.96		
Primary and Election	6.00		
Tellers:			
Geo. D. Fisher	1.00		
Hetty Burnham	1.00		
Ben. Libby	1.00		
Fred Perkins	1.00		
Mirian Bryans	4.00		
Hazel Fisher	4.00		
Lillian Hart	4.00		
Frances Howlett	4.00		
Vera Maxwell	4.00		
Helen Viger	4.00		
Beatrice Wakefield	4.00		
Lora Willy	4.00	36.00	144.96

TOWN HALL

Cent. Mass. El. Lt. Co.	12.00	12.00
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TOWN HOUSE MAINT.

Cent. Mass. El. Lt. Co.	311.63		
Telephone	72.08		
Repairs	551.37		
Stoker	1,472.09		
Miscellaneous	46.31		
Janitor	468.00	2,921.48	

Total Town Hall and Town House		\$2,933.48
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POLICE DUTY

Geo. D. Fisher	15.63		
Fred Perkins	12.50		
John Delahanty	12.50		
Arthur Gerrish	65.75		
Austin Harris	16.50	122.88	
Arthur Gerrish		3.60	
Fees			126.48
Total Police Duty			126.48

FIRE TRUCK MAINT.

Sunday Watch:

John Officer	8.00		
Fred Perkins	10.00		
Verne Thayer	10.00		
Bernard Ackerman	10.00		
William Allen	10.00		
Harold Corey	12.00		
Geo. D. Fisher	10.00		
Milton Fiske	10.00		
Emil Sheibler	10.00		
Carl Officer	10.00		
James Lyons	2.00		
			102.00

Changing Hose:

Harold Corey	1.24
Bernard Ackerman	4.35
Marcus Gottsche, Jr.	1.25
Carl Officer	2.49
Chas. Medcke	1.25
Harold Carter	1.00
Geo. Fisher, Jr.	1.00
Wm. Quaille	1.00

Fred Perkins	3.10		
Verne Thayer	3.10		
Wm. Allen	1.24		
Alton Wakefield	1.24	25.36	
Other Expenses:			
Homer L. Hatch & Son			
Gas and Supplies	5.03		
Austin K. Harris,			
Gas	.99		
Don Conti,			
Gas	7.24		
Buffalo Fire Appliance,			
Parts for Truck	80.39		
Chas. E. Hayes & Co.,			
Lanterns and Batteries	10.01		
Homer Goodrich	2.40	106.06	
Total Fire Truck Maintenance			233.42

FIRE HOUSE

Cent. Mass. El. Lt. Co.			
Lights	45.24		
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.,			
Phone	36.96		
Community Feed Stores,			
Fuel	74.70		
C. R. Melville,			
Repairing Siren	12.50	169.40	
Bernard Ackerman,			
Janitor	90.00		
Com. Feed Stores,			
Repair Parts	39.20		
Wm. Pease			
Sawing Wood	11.00		
Westinghouse,			
2 Coils	6.50		
Homer L. Hatch,			
Miscellaneous	5.19		

Thibert Lumber Co.,			
Lumber, Glass	1.86		
Mason Fire Equip.,			
Soda and Acid	5.00	158.75	
Total Fire House Maintenance			328.15

FOREST FIRE EQUIPMENT

Community Feed Stores,			
Pails and Shovels	13.10		
Homer L. Goodrich,			
Gas	2.40	15.50	
Total Forest Fire Equipment			15.50

TREE WARDEN

Wages			
L. O. Howlett	30.00		
Arthur Gerrish	30.00		
A. K. Harris	30.00		
Alex. Larson	5.00		
J. Dennis	5.00	100.00	
Community Feed Stores,			
Shears	.89		
Total Tree Warden			100.89

PLANTING TREES ON HIGHWAYS

Wages			
L. O. Howlett	9.00		
Arthur Gerrish	9.00		
Alex. Larson	7.50		
Austin Harris	6.00	34.50	
Sichaldi			
1 Maple		3.25	
Total Planting Trees			34.75

FOREST WARDEN

Bernard Ackerman			
Salary			25.00

FOREST FIRES

Sundry Persons, Wages			98.10
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SEALER

W. & E. Gurley,			
Supplies		5.17	
Bernard Ackerman,			
Salary	25.00		
Transportation	4.00	29.00	34.17

MOTH ERADICATION

Wages			
Wm. Isham	\$75.00		
Raymond Kibbe	90.00		
Edw. J. Leddy	98.00		
James Kelly	12.50		
Earl Stevens	12.50	288.00	
Other Expense:			
Wm. Isham, use of car	9.37		
Edward J. Leddy, car	2.00	11.37	299.37

HEALTH AND SANITATION

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

Treasurer, Hampden County			110.48
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WELL CHILD CLINIC

The Visiting Nurse Ass'n.	285.00		
Hazel T. Fisher,			
Transportation	4.80		
Chas. W. King & Co.,			
Supplies	1.25		
Eunice Burnham, Misc.	1.78		292.83

ANIMAL INSPECTION

Percy A. Fuller,			
Misc. Inspection	3.00		3.00

DENTAL CLINIC

Dr. Harold I. Fiske,		
Services and Supplies	350.00	350.00

MEAT INSPECTION

Edward J. Thresher,		
Slaughtering Fees	192.00	192.00

Total Health and Sanitation		<u>948.31</u>
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HIGHWAYS

TOWN GARAGE:

Wages		
L. O. Howlett	21.00	
A. H. Gerrish	21.00	
A. K. Harris	3.00	
Alex. Larson	10.00	55.00
Other Expense:		
Cent. Mass. El. Lt. Co.		30.45
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.		44.19
Crown Petroleum, Oil		3.43
D. A. Glading, Oil		4.20
New Eng. Plumbing Supply, Lamps		.90
Chas. Miller, Cable Clamps		.25
		<u>138.42</u>

CHAPTER 81

Wages		
P. Dennis	\$8.75	
A. H. Gerrish	798.00	
A. K. Harris	636.00	
King Harris	50.00	
L. O. Howlett	846.00	
E. J. Leddy	298.75	
A. H. Lawton	3.75	
Chas. Melville, Jr.	24.38	
Alex. Larson	533.13	
		<u>3,198.76</u>

Other Expenses			
Town Road Machinery	422.00		
Frank Ballou, Team	7.00		
A. E. Gleason, Land Spreader	57.00		
Edw. N. Christianson,			
Land and Gravel	728.00		
Edw. N. Christianson,,			
Power Shovel	24.00		
Earl Harris, Team	2.00		
R. Morin, Team	7.50		
W. Martin, Team	32.00		
Robt. Pease, Blasting	5.00		
American Tar Co.	1,904.43		
Moulton Asphalt Service	163.00		
			3,352.57
Total Chapter 81			6,551.33
Transfer to So. Monson Rd.			\$250.00

SOUTH MONSON ROAD

Transferred from Chapter 81	250.00		
County	250.00		
			500.00

Wages			
William Bonner	2.50		
Arthur H. Gerrish	24.00		
Austin K. Harris	24.00		
Leroy O. Howlett	24.00		
Alexander Larson	5.00	79.50	

Other Expenses			
E. N. Christianson,			
Gravel	95.78		
Gleason Sand Spreader	8.00		
American Tar Co.	320.31	424.09	503.59

BRIDGES HIGHWAYS AND RAILINGS

Wages

Clinton Foote	\$3.13	
A. H. Gerrish	257.50	
A. K. Harris	275.90	
King Harris	.25	
A. Larsen	35.75	
Fred Perkins	1.50	
W. A. Pease	2.00	
H. Sargent	5.00	
E. J. Thresher	1.50	
L. O. Howlett	257.00	839.53

Other expense

American Tar Co.	25.03	
Edw. N. Christianson	128.86	
Community Feed Stores, Inc.	6.99	
A. E. Gleason, Land Spreader	6.00	
H. L. Hatch & Son	14.90	
P. D. Thibert Lumber Co.	.65	182.43
		1,021.96

CHAPTER 90, MAINTENANCE

Wages

John Delahanty	\$6.25	
Arthur H. Gerrish	54.00	
Austin K. Harris	54.00	
King Harris	5.00	
Leroy O. Howlett	54.00	
Alexander Larson	45.00	
Charles Melville, Jr.	5.00	
Edw. J. Thresher	3.75	\$227.00

Other Expenses

A. E. Gleason, Sander	\$21.00		
Express on same	2.00		
E. N. Christianson,			
Power Shovel	50.00		
John L. Lane & Son,			
Trap Rock	182.04		
Moulton Asphalt Service	581.18		
Edw. N. Christianson,			
Trucking	91.01		
Road Machinery	48.00	\$975.23	
Total			1,202.23

SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL

Wages

Earle Dickinson	2.50		
A. H. Gerrish	274.50		
King Harris	1.00		
A. K. Harris	246.30		
A. Larson	46.00		
Edw. Maxwell	5.00		
F. A. Perkins	7.50		
E. J. Thresher	58.00		
W. A. Pease	8.00		
Robt. Peterson	12.00		
Edw. J. Leddy	8.50		
L. O. Howlett	275.20		
Tom Harris	2.00	946.50	

Other Expenses

Edw. N. Christianson,			
Land and Gravel	64.73	64.73	1,011.23
Total Highway Expenditure			10,428.76

STREET LIGHTS

Central Mass. El. Lt. Co.

606.99

ROAD MACHINERY

Wages

Leroy O. Howlett 66.00

A. H. Gerrish 84.00

234.00

Austin K. Harris 84.00

Repairs, Parts, Tires and Supplies

Genden Bros. 60.88

Tide Water Ass'n. Oil Co. 102.44

Sinclair Refining Co. 381.60

Ferrara Spring and Parts 65.55

Auto Gear and Parts 22.60

D. Gladding 4.78

International Harvester Co. 352.54

J. Russell Co. 29.79

Hampden Garage 24.60

Krohne's Service Sta. 35.60

Edson Co. 28.80

E. B. Atmus Co. 5.83

Springfield Mach. Co. 1.50

Tyler Trac. & Equip. Co. 26.46

Chas. Millar & Son 2.16

C. C. Lewis Co. .76

Tarbell Watters Co. 8.42

Com. Feed Stores 1.03

Balise Motor Sales 1.13

R. S. Graves 15.66

Aling Rubber Co. 1.20

Victoria Tire Co. 56.43

Wm. A. Pease 4.00

L. W. Jaeger Co. 6.50

West Side Auto Body 12.00

Cote Co.	21.74
Tractors Inc.	39.75
Royal Metal Wks.	2.50
H. A. Gay	1.85
New England Plumbing	.51
Fred Chapman	9.00
Cane Welding	1.75
A. H. Newman	9.75
Otto Norman	8.00
Stacy Supply Co.	.25
Carlisle Hardware	1.00
Homer L. Hatch	16.92
Eather Christianson	50.00
Railway Express	1.72
J. J. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	11.50
Registry of Motor Vehicles	6.00
P. D. Thibert Lumber	4.27

1,439.57

Total Road Machinery

\$1,673.77

McCRAV ROAD
Wages

Arthur H. Gerrish	30.00
Austin K. Harris	30.00
Leroy O. Howlett	30.00
Alexander Larson	15.00
Edward Leddy	25.00

148.00

E. N. Christianson, Gravel 3.24

3.24 \$151.24

**SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR CONSTRUCTION
ON TOWN ROADS**

AMES ROAD
Wages

Arthur H. Gerrish	129.00
Austin K. Harris	132.00
Leroy O. Howlett	132.00
Alexander Larson	60.00

453.00

Other Expenses

E. N. Christianson,			
Steam Shovel	150.00		
E. N. Christianson, truck	5.25		
E. N. Christianson, gravel	10.41		
		165.66	618.66

SOUTH MONSON ROAD

Wages

Arthur H. Gerrish	18.00		
Austin K. Harris	18.00		
Leroy O. Howlett	19.50		
Alexander Larson	2.50		
		58.00	58.00

MILL ROAD

Wages

Arthur H. Gerrish	12.00		
Austin K. Harris	12.00		
King Harris	2.50		
Leroy O. Howlett	12.00		
Alexander Larson	10.00		
		48.50	

Other Expenses

Gleason Sand Spreader	3.00		
American Tar Company	80.37		
		83.37	131.87

SOUTH ROAD

Wages

Arthur H. Gerrish	18.00		
Austin K. Harris	18.00		
Leroy O. Howlett	18.00		
Alexander Larson	2.50		
		56.50	56.50

Total Special Appropriations			\$1,016.27
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EXPENDITURES OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

ADMINISTRATION

School Committee			
William H. Burns	60.00		
Wilfred H. Breck	30.00		
Catherine E. Ransom	30.00		
		120.00	120.00
Superintendence			
Edmund R. Sawyer, Salary	413.82		
Office Expenses	12.63		
Traveling Expenses	44.40		
Emily Cormier Condon			
Clerk	174.31		
Fred A. Perkins, Attendance			
Travel Expense	3.72		
		648.88	648.88
Health			
Signe L. Polson, Salary	252.24		
Supplies	25.30		
Dr. Benj. Schneider	200.00		
Fred A. Perkins,			
Travel Expense	15.84		
Total Health		493.38	493.38
Operating Expense			
Fred A. Perkins, custodian	1,386.50	1,386.50	
Crown Petroleum Corp., fuel	761.84		
Community Feed Stores, coal	659.00		
		1,420.84	2,807.34

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Transportation			
Arthur A. Jones	967.00		
Mary F. Lyons	470.00		
Harry E. Temple	1,027.50		
		2,464.50	

HIGH SCHOOL

Transportation

Harry E. Temple	1,062.75	
Mary F. Lyons	1,612.50	
Clifford Patric	66.90	
T. Balser	18.30	
		2,760.45

Tuition

High School	5,661.00	5,661.00
Vocational or Trade School	665.64	
		665.64

Elementary Repairs and Miscellaneous

Operating

Thibert Lumber Co.	4.02	
Hampden Garage	4.00	
Beckley-Cardy Co.	11.69	
Reformatory for Women	32.30	
Homer L. Hatch	5.16	
Harvey Lewis	4.60	
Larsen Theaters	4.10	
H. S. Walkins Co.	21.00	
Carlisle Hardware	19.44	
Miscellaneous	3.07	
		109.38

Elementary Miscellaneous

New Eng. Tel. & Tel.	39.99
Snow Removal	2.80
Sundry Persons	
Burns Brush	9.00
Thacker-Craig Paper Co.	5.95
Downing-Taylor	12.25
Canter, E. L.	2.06
Vestal Chemical Co.	50.00
Cent. Mass. (bulbs)	6.60

Carlisle Hardware	9.50	
J. R. Lyman	3.05	
Miscellaneous	1.83	
		143.03

Supervision

Helen B. Tower, Art, Drawing	250.00	
Cecelia C. Seymour, Music	230.00	
Wm. L. Rinehart	125.00	
		605.00

INSTRUCTION—Teaching

		Retirement	
		Dues	Salary
Eleanor Parsons McCray	1,696.00	84.00	1,780.00
Marjorie E. Fairfield	712.85	35.40	748.25
Catherine A. Fitzgerald	771.10	36.90	808.00
Helen C. Flynn	1,361.00	69.00	1,430.00
Florence L. Fox	849.35	41.40	890.75
Lucy Slight Jefferey	1,312.55	69.00	1,381.55
Miriam Bryans	138.50		138.50
Stacia Lanoie	480.00	25.60	505.60
Lucy B. Kerr	51.00		51.00
Mary Adams	448.40	23.60	472.00
Mary Feehan	486.40	25.60	512.00
Mildred Green	54.00		54.00
Violet Lunden	25.00		25.00
Viola Allen	15.00		15.00
	8,401.15	410.50	8,811.65

Miscellaneous Auxiliary

Emily Condon, lettering cert.	4.45		
Lewis H. Blackner, grad. covers	5.53		
M. N. Perkins, diplomas	30.00		
		39.98	39.98

TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Ginn & Co.	127.07	
J. L. Hammett Co.	7.34	
Calif. Test Bureau	11.89	
D. C. Heath Co.	6.93	
Grolier Society	10.00	
MacMillan Co.	40.89	
Webster Publishing	1.56	
American Book	25.35	
Iroquois Pub. Co.	16.77	
Houghton Mifflin	43.82	
Scott-Foresman	77.26	
Webster Costello	2.27	
Laidlaw Bros.	38.51	
Helen B. Tower	3.25	
Edward E. Babb & Co.	6.79	
O. H. Toothaker	2.50	
Papercrafters Pub. Sch.	101.90	
Am. Museum of Nat. Hist.	5.25	
World Book	1.29	
Henry S. Walkins	14.80	
American Ed. Press Inc.	64.80	
Papercrafters Pub. Sch.	51.20	
City Stamp Wks.	2.78	
Civic Ed. Service	21.60	
E. R. Sawyer	4.67	
Beckley-Cardy	7.72	
Fred Perkins, supplies, mileage	12.48	
Miscellaneous	3.57	
Total		714.26
Total Schools		\$26,044.49

LIBRARY

Salaries

Hazel M. Burleigh	376.87	
Louise Blanche Perkins	9.00	
Miriam P. Bryans	129.75	
Arline M. Howlett	34.50	
		550.12

BOOKS

Personal Book Shop	161.62	
Forrest Press, Inc.	2.50	
Library Book House	86.09	
Forbes & Wallace	2.66	
H. R. Hunting	36.91	
Wonworth Bookshop	14.93	
Periodical Book Shop	12.15	
American Poultry House	2.00	
American Library Ass'n.	23.50	
Crafts Wood Service	1.25	
		343.61

Periodicals

Henry Pub. Co.	3.50	
H. W. Wilson Co.	5.55	
National Geographic	3.50	
		12.55

Incidentals		43.62

Total Library		949.90
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UNCLASSIFIED ACCOUNTS

Soldiers and Sailors Graves

Arthur Jones,		
sharpening mower	1.25	
Edw. Leddy, labor	4.00	
Raymond Dunlea, labor	66.25	
Homer Hatch, supplies	.65	
		72.15

Memorial Day

Mrs. Jane Christanson,

Wreaths	39.85	
Hampden Nurseries, flowers	18.75	
Johnson's Bookstore, flags	5.00	
		63.60

Town Common

Homer L. Hatch & Son, rake	1.83	
Raymond Dunlea, labor	36.50	
		38.33

Printing Town Reports

Palmer Register	201.60	201.60
Insurance		
Olney W. Woodard	164.43	
Warriner Ins. Agency	385.02	
Frank M. Kinney	61.60	
Bradford Skinner	50.40	
		661.45

Aid to Agriculture

Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture	50.00	50.00
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Planning Board

Palmer Register, cards	8.75	
Grace L. Kibbe, labor	2.00	
Augus McNeil, dues	10.00	
		20.75

Building Inspector

C. R. Melville	25.00	
Traveling expense	25.00	
		50.00

Unpaid Bills

Victoria Tire Co.	1.75	
Sinclair Refining Co.	72.00	
City of Springfield	44.60	
Community Feed Stores	1.70	
Krohne's Service Station	3.00	
		123.05

Defense—Supplies and Labor

City Stamp Wks.	1.75
A. Melnik Print Co.	4.25
Johnson's Bookstore	4.99
John B. Officer	3.62
Thom. Groom & Co.	21.30
John B. Officer	7.96
Royal Typewriter Co.	12.50
P. D. Thibert Lumber	22.84
Homer Hatch	2.77
Wilfred Breck Printing	2.00
City Stamp Works	.80
Wm. Pease	7.44
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	3.10
Postage and Freight	2.79
Sulham, labor	15.00

Clerks

Emma F. Lyons	1.20	
Grace L. Kibbe	22.00	
		136.31
		136.31

CEMETERY

Prospect Hill	
Tennis Rock	130.00
Edw. J. Leddy	6.50

Clifford Guenther	20.00	
Ernest Howlett	25.00	
Richard Joyce	17.00	
Homer Hatch, paint brush	1.50	
		200.00

Cemetery Trust Funds

E. W. Howlett, flowers	3.25	
E. W. Howlett, labor	5.00	
Richard Joyce	5.00	
Tennis Rock	57.50	
Lester Bryans	50.00	
Roland Soucy	12.50	
Community Feed Stores, Fertilizer	3.25	
Geo. Hartman		
Sharpening Mowers	6.20	
Fred L. King, map	4.00	
		146.70

INTEREST

Springfield Inst. for Savings		
Town House Note	64.00	
Springfield Inst. for Savings		
Reimbursement	14.66	78.66

Municipal Indebtedness

Springfield Inst. for Savings		
Town House Note	400.00	400.00
Union Trust Co. Anticipation of Reimbursement	5,900.00	5,900.00

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

Receipts

Cash as of January 1, 1943
General Revenue
Commercial Revenue
Privileges
Departmental
Cemetery
Interest
Municipal Indebtedness
Refunds
20% Withholding for Federal Tax

Expenditures

General Government
Moderator
Selectmen
Accounting
Treasurer
Tax Collecting
Assessors
Other Finances
Law
Town Clerk
Elections and Registrations
Total General Government
Town Hall
Town House
Total Town Hall and House

\$38,831.56
67,453.50
2,804.97
3,841.41
140.00
478.68
5,050.00
333.19
1,383.88

5.00
271.95
330.83
382.43
447.15
316.09
8.00
31.00
89.71
144.95

2,027.12
12.00
2,921.48
2,933.48

Protection Persons and Property	
Police	126.48
Fire Truck Maintenance	233.42
Fire House	328.15
Forest Fire Equipment	15.50
Tree Warden	100.89
Planting Trees on Highways	34.75
Forest Warden	25.00
Forest Fires	98.10
Sealer	34.17
Mofa Eradication	299.37

1,295.83

Total Protection Life and Property	
Health and Sanitation	
Tuberculosis Hospital	110.43
Dental Clinic	350.00
Well Child Clinic	292.83
Animal Inspection	3.00
Meat Inspection	192.00

948.31

Total Health and Sanitation

Highways

Town Garage 138.42
 Chapter 81 6,551.33
 Bridges and Highways 1,021.96

So. Manson Rd.
 Town and County 503.59
 Chapter 90 Maintenance 1,202.23
 Snow and Ice 1,011.23

Total Highways Expenditure 10,428.76
 Street Lights 606.99
 Road Machinery 1,673.77

Special Appropriations for

Town Roads 2,280.76
 Ames Road 618.66
 So. Manson Road 58.00
 Mill Road 131.87
 South Road 56.50
 McCray Road 151.24

Total Special Appropriations	1,016.27
Total Highway Department	13,725.79

Welfare, Old Age Asst. and

Aid Dependent Children

Welfare	1,506.04
Aid Dep. Children	418.50
Old Age Assistance	5,887.60
Soldiers Relief	50.00

Totals	7,861.14
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School Expenditure	26,044.49
Library Expenditure	949.90

Unclassified Accounts

Soldiers and Sailors Graves	72.15
Memorial Day	63.60
Town Common	38.33
Town Reports	201.60
Insurance	661.45

Defense	136.31	
Aid to Agriculture	50.00	
Planning Board	20.75	
Building Inspector	50.00	
Unpaid Bills of 1942	123.05	
Total Unclassified Expenditure	1,417.24	
Cemeteries		
Prospect Hill	200.00	
Trust Funds	145.70	
Total Cemeteries Expenditures	345.70	
Interest Expenditure	78.65	
Debt	400.00	
Agency	15,432.33	
Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1943	36,866.20	
	\$110,327.19	

TOWN OF HAMPDEN

BALANCE SHEET, JAN. 1, 1944

Assets

Cash Balance \$36,866.20

Accounts Receivable

Taxes:

Levy of 1942 10.75
Levy of 1943 6,782.23 6,792.98

Motor Vehicle Excise Tax

66.12

Levy of 1943

196.06

State Aid for Highways

250.00

County Aid for Highways

Old Age Assistance Federal

29.86

Administration

Tax Titles and Possessions

Tax Titles	190.27
Tax Possessions	473.51
	\$44,865.00

Liabilities and Reserves

Loan in Anticipation of Reimbursement	\$5,050.00
Unexpended Federal Grants	
Aid Dep. Children	153.79
Aid Dependent Children	
Administration	2.65
Old Age Assistance	680.69
Reserve Funds:	
Road Machinery	478.14

Real Estate Revenue	2,200.00
Overlay Reserve	484.10
Overlay 1942	300.66
Overlay 1943	272.26
20% Withholding Tax	3,735.16
	694.33

Revenue Reserved Until Collected

Motor Vehicle Revenue	547.99
Tax Titles and Possessions	710.33
Surplus Revenue	1,258.32
	33,290.06
	\$44,865.00

DEBT ACCOUNT

Net Funded or fixed debt	\$1,600.00
Town House Loan	\$1,600.00

TRUST FUNDS ACCOUNT

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities	\$8,840.45
Dry Library Fund	\$8,840.45
Holt Library Fund	\$511.45
Cemetery, Bamstead Fund	500.00
Cemetery, Perpetual Care Funds	2,123.58
	5,705.42
Totals	\$8,840.45

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL T. FISHER,

Bookkeeper.

Treasurer's Report --- Trust Funds

Name of Fund	Bal. Jan. 1, 1943	Int. Jan. 1, 1944	Withdrawn 7-1 & 12-31	Bal. Jan. 1, 1944
Day, Library	\$510.38	\$10.07	\$9.00	\$511.45
Holt, Library	500.00	10.05	10.05	500.00
Bumstead, Cemetery	2,144.68	42.46	63.56	2,123.58

PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

Helen E. Stacy	150.52	3.00	3.00	150.52
Twitchell-Burt	201.05	4.02	4.01	201.06
Thompson, Chaffee	303.10	6.06	6.03	303.13
Holt & Burleigh	202.56	4.04	4.02	202.58
Holmes, Beebe	202.56	4.04	4.02	202.58
Orrin Goodwill	202.56	4.04	4.02	202.58
Elsie M. Hills	1,018.40	20.36	20.18	1,018.58
Davis, Weeks, Pease	202.56	4.04	4.02	202.58
Beebe, Stanton	151.78	3.02	2.51	152.29
C. I. Burleigh	50.33	1.00	.50	50.83
Marcus Beebe	151.78	3.02	2.51	152.29
John S. Beebe	101.03	2.02	1.01	102.04
Rose Corey	101.03	2.02	1.01	102.04
Bennett, Kenworthy	101.03	2.02	1.01	102.04

Flora Carlton	101.03	2.02	1.01	102.04
Jackson Dickey	40.96	.80	.40	41.36
Milo Chapin	101.03	2.02	1.01	102.04
William Johnson	126.72	2.52	1.26	127.98
D. L. McCray	152.06	3.04	1.52	153.58
N. & E. Langdon	100.02	2.00	1.00	101.02
Orcutt	51.15	1.02	.51	51.66
John Kenworthy	100.02	2.00	1.00	101.02
Stacy Hunt	100.02	2.00	1.00	101.02
George Pond	50.19	1.00	.50	50.69
Jennie Shaw	50.50	1.00	.50	51.00
Davis Pease	100.02	2.00	1.00	101.02
Mortimer Pease	100.02	2.00	1.00	101.02
William J. Sessions	50.50	1.00	.50	51.00
David Stebbins	100.02	2.00	1.00	101.02
Joseph Stimson	100.02	2.00	1.00	101.02
Calvin Stebbins	100.02	2.00	1.00	101.02
John R. Stoddard	50.50	1.00	.50	51.00
John F. Whitaker	100.72	2.00	1.00	101.72
George P. West	100.02	2.00	1.00	101.02
Charles N. Whitaker	100.02	2.00	1.00	101.02
Lydia Morris	100.02	2.00	1.00	101.02
Anna Leonard	100.02	2.00	1.00	101.02
John Q. Adams	101.03	2.02	1.01	102.04
John Bartlett	206.68	4.12	2.06	208.74
Henry C. Dickinson	101.03	2.02	1.01	102.04
Martha E. Edson	50.65	1.00	.50	51.15

Balance Jan. 1, 1943

\$8,830.34

Interest Jan. 1, 1944

175.86

\$9,006.20

Withdrawn in 1943

165.75

Balance Jan. 1, 1944

\$8,840.45

Treasurer's Report

Balance Jan. 1, 1943	\$28,831.56	
Receipts for 1943	81,495.63	
		\$110,327.19
Expenditures for 1943	\$73,460.99	
Balance Dec. 31, 1943	36,866.20	
		\$110,327.19

Town Clerk's Report

Births recorded January, 1943 to December 31, 1943

Males	5	
Females	13	
American born parentage		17
Foreign born parentage		1

Deaths recorded January, 1943 to December 31, 1943

Males	8	
Female	6	
American born parentage		11
Foreign born parentage		3
Marriages for 1943	10	
Documents recorded	18	

Dog Licenses for 1943

Receipts:

114 Males licensed	@ \$2.00	\$228.00	
36 Females licensed	@ 5.00	180.00	
54 Spayed licensed	@ 2.00	108.00	
			\$516.00

Expenditures:

Paid County Treasurer June 1, 1943	\$117.60	
Paid County Treasurer Dec. 1, 1943	357.60	
Clerk's Fees at 20 cents	40.80	
		\$516.00

GRACE L. KIBBE,
Town Clerk

Library Trustees' Report

MRS. ELIZABETH G. MORGAN	Term expires 1944
MRS. MIRIAM P. BRYANS	Term expires 1945
MRS. ELEANOR B. McCRAY	Term expires 1946
Appropriation by the Town	\$600.00
Dog Fund from County	401.85
Available from Holt Fund	10.05
	\$1,011.90

Expended:

Librarian	\$373.50
Assistant Librarians	173.25
Books	343.61
Magazines	12.55
Incidentals	46.99
	\$949.90

Appropriation balance carried forward to 1944 to
meet payment of bill from Mrs. Z. A. Kenfield for
magazines. 62.00

DAY FUND

Balance in Fund Dec. 31, 1942	\$510.38
Withdrawn for Christian Herald Sub.	9.00
	501.38
Interest Jan. 1, 1943 to Dec. 31, 1943	10.07
Balance	\$511.45

We recommend for the maintenance of the Library for the coming year the present appropriation of \$600.00 and the Dog Fund. We ask also for the reappropriation of the money turned in for fines.

Respectfully submitted,

MIRIAM P. BRYANS, Chairman

ELIZABETH Q. MORGAN

ELEANOR B. McCRAY

Library Trustees

Librarian's Report

Circulation of Books	9,907
Books bought	282
Books donated	140
Magazines bought	34
Magazines donated	68

Donors of Books: Miss Sessions estate, 92; Mrs. Morley, 7; Gretchen Baker, 8; Mrs. Nell Kibbe, 5; Mrs. Mabel Fisher, 5; W. J. Sessions, 4; C. K. Bump, 4; Mrs. A. H. Gerrish, 4; Mrs. Homer Hatch, 4; W. V. Sessions, 3; Mrs. George Tower, 1; Mrs. Gundernum, 1; Mr. Homer Hatch, 1; Tax Foundation, 1.

Donors of Magazines: Mrs. D. Q. Moody, 13; Mrs. Albert Hayes, 12; Mrs. Alton Wakefield, 12; Mrs. Althea Woods, 11; Mrs. Olcott, 6; Leonora King, 4; J. B. Officer, 3.

We are receiving the "American Legion," "Hampden," "Christian Herald" and the "Zions Herald" as gifts and from outside sources copies of "Belgian" and "Soviet Russia Today" came. Gifts of pamphlets also were appreciated. To the magazine subscription list we have added "Skyways," a magazine on aviation which is a subject of much interest now.

The circulation was divided as follows: Magazines, 1749; Adult Fiction, 3195; Juvenile Fiction, 3022; Adult non-fiction, 566; Juvenile non-fiction, 1357; pamphlets and pictures, 18. The total attendance was 6678 and the average attendance for

each day 45. Borrowers registered 431; from the schools 191, others 240. We have borrowed from the Division of Public Libraries 145 books and 9 posters. Books reviewed by the school children 628; 23 large certificates and 100 small certificates were issued. Money collected for the loss of or damages to books and paid to the Town Treasurer, \$11.01. We have asked that this amount be re-appropriated to the library.

Books were placed in the Well Child Clinic room as usual. For "Book Week" our principal feature was a motion picture show consisting of the three films, "Words for Battle," "Battle of the Books" and "Target for the Night." The pictures were shown on Monday afternoon Nov. 5 to the school children, their teachers, the library trustees and reporters, an estimated audience of 160 and on Wednesday evening to the general public, admission free, with an estimated attendance of 75.

Because of the amount of work which collects ahead of us we had Miss Arlene Howlett to assist in the mending and filing. The fiction and juvenile shelves were weeded out and books discarded which leaves it so that the newer books can be more easily seen.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. HAZEL M. BURLEIGH,

Hampden, Dec. 31, 1943.

Librarian

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS REPORT

PERPETUAL CARE

Lester Bryans	50.00	
George L. Hartman	6.20	
Ernest W. Howlett	8.25	
Frederick L. King	4.00	
Ian R. Joyce	5.00	
Richard Joyce	3.25	
Dennis Rock	57.50	
Roland Soucy	12.50	
		146.70

PROSPECT HILL CEMETERY

Appropriation		200.00
Clifford Guenther	20.00	
Homer L. Hatch	1.50	
Ernest W. Howlett	25.00	
Richard Joyce	17.50	
Edward Leddy	6.50	
Tennis Rock	130.00	
		200.00

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD JOYCE

ERNEST W. HOWLETT

JOHN B. ISHAM

Cemetery Commissioners

GYPSY MOTH REPORT

Having completed the search for Gypsy Moth clusters there were about 2000 cluster found and destroyed. It was also reported there was a large number of clusters found where only a few had been found in other years.

It was also very hard to get help that know how to do the work.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. LEMON

Moth Superintendent

REPORT OF ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Again this year there was not any animal inspection of cattle, swine and sheep but a census of the cows and heifers of the Town was ordered by the State. I have also inspected and reported to Boston on thirteen heads of cattle brought in from out of State.

PERCY A. FULLER

Report of Assessors

TABLE OF AGGREGATES OF POLLS, PROPERTY, AND TAXES, AS ASSESSED JANUARY 1, 1943

Number of Persons Assessed	Individuals	All others	Total
On Personal Estate Only	18	4	22
On Real Estate Only	303	6	309
On Both Personal and Real Estate	78	2	80
Total Number of Persons Assessed			411
Number of polls assessed			424
Value of Assessed Personal Estate			
Stock in trade		10,750.00	
Machinery		42,925.00	
Live Stock		29,795.00	
All other Tangible Personal Property		1,438.00	
Total Value of Assessed Personal Estate			\$84,908.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate			
Land exclusive of Buildings		247,310.00	
Buildings exclusive of land		498,310.00	
Total Value of Assessed Real Estate			\$745,620.00
Total Valuation of Assessed Estate			\$830,528.00
Tax Rate per \$1,000		\$42.00	

Taxes for State, County, and Town Purposes,

Including Overlay

On Personal Estate	\$3,566.13
On Real Estate	31,316.04
On Polls	848.00

Total Taxes Assessed	\$35,730.17
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Number of Live Stock Assessed

Horses	43
Cows (Milch)	313
Bulls 18 Yearlings 86 Heifers 44	148
Swine	52
Goats	9
Powls	5015
All others (minks)	50
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	12,336
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed	373

(Each building used as a dwelling counted as one without regard to the number of families housed.)

TOWN APPROPRIATIONS

Special Town Meeting held December 21, 1942

Voted to transfer the sum of \$700.00 from the Welfare Account to the Old Age Assistance Account.

General Government:

Legislative	5.00	
Selectmen	325.00	
Accounting	350.00	
Treasurer	375.00	
Collector	150.00	
Collector's Salary	300.00	
Assessors	400.00	
Town Clerk	125.00	
Law	175.00	
Elections and Regulations	200.00	
Town Hall	15.00	
Town House Maintenance	1,200.00	
Certifying Notes	15.00	3,635.00

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	300.00	1,585.00

Highways

Chapter 81 Maintenance	2,550.00	
Snow and Ice Removal	1,000.00	
Bridges, Railings and Highways	1,000.00	
Chapter 90, Maintenance	400.00	
Street Lighting	608.40	
Road Machinery	500.00	
Garage Maintenance	125.00	
Ames Road (Art. 12)	600.00	6,783.40

Health and Sanitation:

Meat Inspection	100.00	
Animal Inspection	50.00	
Dental Clinic	350.00	
Well Child Clinic	300.00	
Health	400.00	1,200.00

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 (Plus dog fund)	600.00	36,100.00

Unclassified

Aid to Agriculture (Art. 9)	50.00	
Memorial Day	65.00	
Soldiers and Sailors Graves (Art. 22)	50.00	
Town Common	30.00	
Insurance	700.00	
Printing Town Reports	201.60	
Reserve	1,000.00	
Planning Board	25.00	
Building Inspector (Art. 15)	25.00	

Planting Trees (Art. 14)	50.00	
Defense Work (Art. 21)	500.00	
Unpaid Bills of 1942 (Art. 23)	123.05	2,819.65
Interest	300.00	
Debt	400.00	
Prospect Hill Cemetery	200.00	900.00

Article 13. Voted to Transfer \$1,200.00 from the Road Machinery Fund to the Road Machinery Account.

Article 18. Voted to authorize the Assessors to use \$4,-000.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund for the purpose of reducing the tax rate.

Voted to use \$2,000.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund if necessary to convert the heating equipment in the Town House.

Total appropriations as certified by the	
Town Clerk to be raised by taxation	\$53,023.05

Total appropriations voted to be taken
from available funds

In 1943 \$3,200.00

In 1942, since 1942 tax rate was fixed \$700.00	3,900.00
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\$56,923.05

State Tax and Assessments

State Tax	850.00	
State Parks and Reservations	28.48	
State Audit of Town Accounts	34.20	
		912.68

County, Tax and Assessments

County Tax	1,388.45	
Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	110.48	
		1,498.93

Overlay of Current Year 604.26

Gross Amount to be Raised \$559,938.92

Total Estimated Receipts 16,308.75

Amount voted to be taken from available funds
(Used after receiving written approval from

Commissioner Long) 7,900.00

Total available funds 24,208.75 24,208.75

Net Amount to be raised by Taxation

on Polls and Property \$35,730.17

Number of Polls, 424 at \$2.00 each 848.00

Total Valuation:

Personal Property	84,908.00	3,566.13
Real Estate	745,620.00	31,316.04

(Tax Rate \$42.00 per \$1,000)

Total Taxes to be levied on Polls and Property	\$35,730.17
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Omitted Assessments

Valuation

Personal Property	7,475.00
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Tax	313.95
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Total taxes levied on Polls and Property	\$36,044.12
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Taxes abated during 1943

Commitment of 1942	19.20
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Commitment of 1943	316.00
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Number of Motor Vehicles Assessed	506
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Commissioner's Value	\$71,810.00
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Motor Vehicle Excise	2,433.22
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ABATEMENTS

Commitment of 1943	37.99
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The Town owns the following Real Estate:

Long Hill	11 acres	\$100.00
North Road	¼ acres	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
Total		\$1,310.00

Respectfully submitted,

HOMER L. HATCH

EDWARD J. THRESHER

GEORGE A. CHAPIN

Board of Assessors.

Tax Collector's Report

1941 PERSONAL PROPERTY

Balance due January 1, 1943	\$67.14
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	67.14
Interest paid Town Treasurer	4.21

1941 REAL ESTATE

Balance due January 1, 1943	905.16
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	905.16
Interest paid Town Treasurer	62.76

1942 POLL TAX

Balance due January 1, 1943	2.00
Abatement	2.00

1942 EXCISE TAX

Balance due January 1, 1943	62.84	
Committed January 8, 1943	6.00	68.84
Collected and paid Town Treasurer		68.84
Interest paid Town Treasurer		.18

1942 PERSONAL PROPERTY

Balance due January 1, 1943		989.97
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	972.77	
Abatement	17.20	989.97
Interest paid Town Treasurer		25.06

1942 REAL ESTATE

Balance due January 1, 1943		6,963.80
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	6,920.80	
Transferred to Tax Titles	45.15	
	6,965.95	
Refund to Tax Payer	12.90	6,953.05
Balance due December 31, 1943		10.75
Interest paid Town Treasurer		201.89

1943 POLL TAX

Total Commitment		850.00
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	686.00	
Abatements	164.00	850.00
Interest paid Town Treasurer		1.02
Demands paid Town Treasurer		10.85

1943 EXCISE TAX

Total Commitment		2,427.22
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	2,334.28	
Abatements	26.82	
		2,361.10
Interest paid Town Treasurer		1.70
Balance due December 31, 1943		66.12

1943 PERSONAL PROPERTY

Total Commitment		3,880.00
Collected and paid Town Treasurer		3,097.50
Interest paid Town Treasurer		.72
Balance due December 31, 1943		782.58

1943 REAL ESTATE

Total Commitment		\$31,316.04
Collected and paid Town Treasurer	25,095.89	
Abatements	168.00	
Transferred to Tax Titles	52.50	
		25,316.39
Interest paid Town Treasurer		7.19
Balance due December 31, 1943		5,999.65

Respectfully submitted,

CARL P. LARSON,
Collector of Taxes.

REPORT OF MEAT INSPECTOR

During the year of 1943 I have inspected 1 sheep, 5 beefs, and 186 pigs.

Respectfully submitted,

E. J. THRESHER,
Meat Inspector

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

During the past year 25 rock maples were planted on the highways also money was spent for watering trees due to the dry season and the usual amount of tree trimming was done.

Respectfully submitted,

LEROY O. HOWLETT,
Tree Warden

REPORT OF FOREST WARDEN FOR 1943

12 Brush fires
210 Fire Permits issued

Respectfully submitted,
BERNARD ACKERMAN
Forest Warden

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

During the year of 1943 the following have been sealed.

1 Platform scale over 10,000 lbs
6 Platform scales under 5,000 lbs.
8 Spring scales under 100 lbs.
2 Computing scales under 100 lbs.
8 Liquid measures
7 Gasoline pumps
2 Kerosene Pumps
Paid the town \$11.04

Salary	\$25.00
Transportation	4.00
Equipment	5.17
Total	\$34.17

Respectfully submitted,
BERNARD ACKERMAN
Sealer

Report of Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare

To the inhabitants of the Town of Hampden:

Early in 1943 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::

1943 CHAPTER 81 EXPENDITURES ON ROADS IN TOWN OF HAMPDEN

1	Springfield Road	\$42.00
2	East Longmeadow Road	18.00
3	Wilbraham Road	5.00
4	Somers Road	8.00
5	Ludlow Road	41.00
6	Isaac Bradway Road	0.00
7	Mill Road	58.75
8	Carmody Road	8.00
9	Main Street	242.14
10	South Road	537.59
11	Chapin Road	433.55

12	Rockadundee Road	432.07
13	Seantie Road	91.00
14	Cross Road	5.00
15	South Monsen Road	510.42
16	Thresher Road	152.68
17	Isadore Ricard Road (abandoned)	0.00
18	Hendee Road	0.00
19	Howlett Hill Road	194.79
20	Stafford Road	116.13
21	North Monsen Road	1,014.14
22	Bennett Road	263.16
23	Ames Road	396.26
24	Glendale Road	632.34
25	North Road	1,009.83
26	McCray Road	117.90
27	Burleigh Road	65.54
28	Riverside Drive	0.00
Total		\$6,395.39

ALLOTMENTS:

State	\$4,250.00
Town	2,125.00
Total	\$6,375.00

The new work for this past year with Town money on Ames Road was the widening and gravelling for 1,200 feet; also removing 25 large trees.

The Selectmen petitioned and made a contract with the County to surface part of South Monson Road. The new work consisted of gravelling and surface treatment with tar for 1,000 feet. \$500 was spent: \$250 from the County, and \$250 from the Town.

Under Chapter 90 Maintenance East Longmeadow Road was sealed with asphalt 9/10 of a mile, and Main St., for 3/10 of a mile.

Under Chapter 81 we sealed 22,100 feet of road.

The Town was notified that after April 20, 1943 no more oil could be purchased for the heating of the Town House. We were ordered to convert to other fuel. An iron fireman stoker was installed and storage bins at a cost of Fourteen Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars and Seventy-Five cents. (\$1,465.70).

Report of The Board of Public Welfare

WELFARE DEPARTMENT:

Total Cases Aided during 1943:

Town Cases	7	\$870.31
State Cases	1	281.63
Other City	2	321.00
Refunded Overpayment		10.00
Miscellaneous Expense		22.10
		\$1,505.04

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN:

On January 1, 1943 the Town had 2 cases. One case was closed.

There is now 1 case on the payroll.

The cost of A.D.C. for 1943 was \$484.09 and it is estimated that the pro rata cost will be as follows:

Federal Grants	\$112.50		
State's Share	159.00		
Town's Share	205.00	\$477.00	
Administration, Federal Funds	7.09		\$484.09

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE:

On January 1, 1943 there were 29 persons on the payroll. During the year 1 new case was added and 3 cases were closed.

The total cost of Old Age Assistance and Administration was \$11,748.73 and it is estimated that the pro rata costs will be as follows:

Federal Grants	\$5,460.98		
State's Share	4,110.16		
Town's Share	1,877.89	\$11,449.03	
Administration, Federal Funds		299.70	
			\$11,748.73

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR 1944

General Government:

Legislative	\$ 5.00
Selectmen	325.00
Accounting	350.00
Treasurer	375.00
Collector	150.00
Collector's Salary	300.00
Assessors	400.00
Town Clerk	125.00
Building Inspector	25.00
Law	175.00
Elections and Registrations	350.00
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	300.00

Health and Sanitation:

Meat Inspection	\$150.00
Animal Inspection	50.00
Dental Clinic	350.00
Health	400.00
Tuberculosis Hospital	? ??
Well Child Clinic	300.00

Highways:

Chapter 81, Maintenance	\$2,550.00
Snow and Ice Removal	1,000.00
Bridges and Railings and Highways	1,300.00
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	2,000.00
Soldiers' Relief	250.00
Aid to Dependent Children	600.00
Schools	\$26,100.00
Library	\$600.00

Unclassified:

Aid to Agriculture	\$50.00
Memorial Day	65.00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves	75.00
Town Common	30.00
Printing Town Reports	
Insurance	400.00
Reserve	1,000.00
Planning Board	15.00

Cemeteries:

Prospect Hill Cemetery	\$200.00
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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

1943 REPORT
OF THE
TRUSTEES FOR COUNTY AID TO AGRICULTURE
AND THE
HAMPDEN COUNTY IMPROVEMENT LEAGUE

AGRICULTURAL WORK:

During the year the service of the County Agricultural Agent has been incidental to a County-Wide service, shaped almost wholly by the war time developments. All farmers have been kept informed by circular letters and published articles regarding special crop and livestock developments and recommended practices, spray bulletings, pest control calendars, tips on poultry range management, beekeeping and so forth. Assistance to individuals in connection with their agricultural production and marketing problems has been given when requested.

A total expense of \$15.73 was incurred by Mr. Carl Larson for his necessary traveling expenses.

HOME BUREAU WORK:

435 homemakers were either interviewed by minute-women on some phase of war projects or else participated in some form of Home Bureau work during the year. 11 different projects were conducted by 16 local leaders who held with the County and State Agents 27 meetings or demonstrations. These projects covered subjects like money management, clothing, nutrition, food preservation, etc.

The following local leaders incurred expenses amounting to \$27.91: Mrs. Frances Jones, Mrs. Earle Dickinson, Fred Perkins, Mrs. Ben Libby, Mrs. Julius Gottsche, Mrs. Jason Doubleday and Mrs. D. E. Viger.

4-H CLUB WORK:

72 young people were enrolled in 7 projects with 9 leaders assisting our County Agents. Two local members were County prize winners. Garden, poultry and canning projects were very popular.

Miss Pauline Olsen was paid \$2.61 for local traveling expenses out of the town funds.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1943 Appropriation	\$50.00
Balance carried over from 1942	13.74
	\$63.74
* Expended in 1943	46.25
Balance available for 1944	\$17.49

Amount Recommended for 1944 — \$50.00

* Local leaders as listed 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

LBB:C
1-11-44

Welfare, Old Age Assistance and Aid Dependent Children

WELFARE:

Town Cases:

Board and Care	\$28.00	
Medical	842.31	
Paid Other Cities	321.00	
		\$1,191.31

State Cases:

Board and Care	\$265.00	
Clothes	16.63	
Boston Council Agencies	3.00	
Received overpayment from State and Refunded	10.00	
		\$294.63

Aid Dependent Children:

From Town Appropriation	\$418.50	
From Federal Grants	58.50	
From Federal Grants, Administration	7.09	
		\$484.09

Old Age Assistance:

From Town Appropriations	\$5,887.60	
From Federal Grants	5,561.43	
From Federal Grants Administration	299.70	
		\$11,748.73
		\$13,718.76

Building Inspector's Report

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1943, there were fifty-three permits issued and seventy-one inspections made.

The permits are as follows:

- 5 Permits for new houses
- 18 Permits for alterations
- 5 Permits for garages
- 16 Permits for hen houses
- 4 Electrical permits
- 3 Plumbing permits

The estimated cost of these permits was \$19,100.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. R. MELVILLE,

Building Inspector.

Report of School Committee

ORGANIZATION

Wm. Harry Burns, Chairman	1944
Catherine E. Ransom	1946
Wilfred R. Breck	1945

Edmund R. Sawyer, Secretary and Superintendent

During 1943 reimbursements on account of schools were received as follows:

From the Commonwealth:

General School Fund, Part II	\$1,319.20	
General School Fund, Part I	1,400.00	
Superintendent's Salary Reimbursement	214.81	
High School Tuition	3,706.59	
High School Transportation	1,863.21	
Trade School Tuition and Transportation	1,262.86	
Tuition and Transportation, State Children	757.20	
		\$10,523.87

From other sources:

Tuition refunds	49.50	
	8.90	
		58.40

Total \$10,582.27

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1943

Appropriation \$26,100.00

Expenditures:

School Committee	120.00	
Superintendent's Salary	413.82	
Other Expenses	235.06	
Total for General Control		\$ 768.88

Supervisors' Salaries	605.00	
Teachers' Salaries	8,811.65	
Textbooks	247.99	
Supplies	466.27	
Janitors	1,386.50	
Fuel	1,420.00	
Miscellaneous Operating	143.03	
Repairs	109.38	
Health	493.38	
Local Transportation	2,464.50	
Miscellaneous Auxiliary	39.98	
Total for Elementary Schools		\$16,188.52
High School Tuition	\$5,661.00	
High and Trade School Transportation	2,670.45	
Trade School Tuition	665.64	
Total for High and Trade Schools		\$9,087.09
Total Expenditures		\$26,044.49
Less tuition refunds		49.50
Net Expenditures		\$25,994.99

NET COST OF SCHOOLS TO THE TOWN

Expenditures, General Control	\$ 768.88	
Reimbursement	214.81	
Net cost		554.07
Expenditures, Elementary Schools	16,188.52	
Reimbursement	3,476.40	
Net cost		12,712.12

Expenditures, High and Trade School	9,087.09	
Reimbursement	6,832.66	
Net cost		2,254.43
Total net cost to town		\$15,520.62

APPROPRIATIONS NEEDED FOR 1944

The school committee recommends a budget for 1944 as follows:

School Committee	\$ 125.00	
Superintendence	740.00	
Supervisors	575.00	
Teachers	8,400.00	
Textbooks	250.00	
Supplies	550.00	
Janitor	1,440.00	
Fuel	1,450.00	
Miscellaneous Operating	200.00	
Repairs and Replacements	200.00	
Health	480.00	
Transportation	6,350.00	
Tuition	9,200.00	
Miscellaneous Auxiliary	40.00	
		\$30,000.00

**ESTIMATE OF CREDIT ON ACCOUNT
OF EDUCATION FOR 1944**

It is estimated that the receipts on account of education during 1944 will be approximately as follows:

General School Fund, Part II	\$1,695.68	
General School Fund, Part I	1,450.00	
Superintendent's Salary	214.81	
High School Tuition	4,758.00	
High School Transportation	2,825.00	
Trade School Tuition and Transportation	828.55	
		\$12,372.04

Respectfully submitted,

WM. HARRY BURNS

CATHERINE E. RANSOM

WILFRED R. BRECK

Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of the Town of Hampden:

It is with real pleasure that I submit to you my third annual report as superintendent of schools in the town of Hampden. It is necessary that this report be somewhat abbreviated this year because of the paper shortage and because the printer is asking for copy much earlier than usual due to the shortage of labor.

Changes in the Teaching Staff

During the past year three of our teachers have resigned. Miss Marjorie Fairfield received an appointment at Monroe Bridge; Miss Catherine Fitzgerald went to Glastonbury, Connecticut; Miss Florence Fox received an appointment to teach in West Springfield. It was with regret that the committee accepted their resignations.

To fill the vacancies the following teachers were elected: Miss Mary E. Adams of Westfield was elected to teach third and fourth grades. Miss Mary M. Teahan of Westfield was elected to teach grade two, following one year of successful teaching in Vermont and one year in Warwick, Rhode Island. Mrs. Stasia Lavole of Ludlow was elected to teach grades four and five, following several years of successful teaching in Belchertown. All three of these newcomers are graduates of the State Teachers' College, Westfield, and hold the degree of Bachelor of Science in Education.

The War and Our Schools

The schools have continued to do their bit along many lines necessitated by the war's demands. Salvage drives have found pupils and teachers anxious to do their utmost. Contributions of tin cans, newspapers and silk stockings have been generous. The amount of the purchases of War Bonds and Stamps has been astounding. The total sales through the schools of Hampden for the year reached the amazing figure of \$1,568.55. Any school in which ninety per cent or more of the enrolment purchase one or more War Stamps per month is entitled to fly the Minute Man Flag. This means that if ninety out of each hundred pupils in a school buy one ten cent War Stamp each month, the flag with the Concord Minute Man on it will float in the breeze along with the flag of our United States at that school. About 800 schools in the state are flying these flags right now.

Obeying the emergency order of Governor Leverett Saltonstall transmitted through the Commissioner of Education to all superintendents of schools, the issuing of Ration Books Nos. 2 and 4 was handled at the schoolhouses by the principals, teachers and invited assistants. While it was deplorable that so much time for this purpose had to be taken from the school calendar, we were reminded that there was no other organization which could so efficiently carry on the work. Many applicants were visiting their schoolhouses for the first time since their school days, and it was quite evident that they were enjoying the experience. We have been told that this latest ration book has been planned to last two years. It is to be hoped that this information is correct. It is not of educational advantage to disturb and disrupt the regularly planned school sessions.

Our schools continue on the time schedule adopted last year which will have to hold so long as the Springfield high schools maintain their later opening time.

Parents are again reminded that schools will be in session each designated school day regardless of the weather. Whether or not it is best to send children to school on certain inclement days is a matter to be handled by those in authority at home. It has been noted many times that, in former days when a no-school signal was sounded because of the extreme severity of the weather, there were to be seen outdoors numerous children seemingly exerting more effort than would have been necessary to betake themselves to school.

Enrolment

The membership as of December 23 is 191. Last year it was 172. Several of the rooms are crowded to capacity. If this trend continues, it will soon be necessary to plan for the opening of another classroom. The high school enrolment from Hampden has increased from 44 in 1942 to 51 this year.

The Motion Picture Program

Again this year we have had some excellent motion pictures, the majority of which have been selected for their educational value. A special effort has been made to obtain pictures particularly appropriate for the younger children in our schools. Among those already projected and those to come are: Birds of the North Woods; A Boat Trip, Albany to New York City; The River, a dramatization of the Mississippi; Children of China; Elephants; Robinson Crusoe; Kentucky Pioneers; Three Little Kittens; The Man Without a Country; Pioneers of the Plains; Old Glory; News in the Air; Robin Redbreast; The Lost Chick; America Can Give It; Shep, the Farm Dog; Yellowstone National Park; Songs of the Army, Navy, Marines, and The Star Spangled Banner; This Amazing America. This year these films are being obtained from The American Museum of Natural History and the Y.M.C.A. Motion Picture Bureau, both of New York City.

Textbooks

During the past year a start was made toward providing a change in language and English textbooks. In the third grade the new Language for Meaning series has been introduced. These books are by Dr. Paul McKee, Director of the Ernest Horn Elementary School and Professor of Elementary Education, State College of Education, Greeley, Colorado. They emphasize meaning. Success in school work and in later life depends upon ability to communicate meaning through language. The plan is not to assign topics to be spoken or written about. By means of carefully chosen questions and pictures, the books stimulate the child to recall experiences from which he can choose a topic and things to say about the topic, and to want to say those things. There is no field in which the school has a mightier out-of-school rival than in that of oral speech. In their homes, on the playgrounds, in the streets, sometimes at the movies, and not infrequently over the radio, children hear, and too often adopt, all kinds of errors in the use of language. The methods used to overcome them are quite different from the method used to teach something new. In accordance with sound psychological principles, Language for Meaning makes a concerted drive on faulty speech habits. The series stresses social courtesies. There is a clear and definite organization and a daily lesson plan. The first step consists of silent reading of material that presents the idea taught in the lesson, the second step provides for group discussion, and the third step calls for individual work. It is believed that by the adoption of this series our teaching of language will be brought to a new high of efficiency.

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 the percentage of those listed on the honor rolls of the Springfield high and trade schools remains high.

Year	Total	Honor	Per Cent
	Pupils	Pupils	
1938	41	11	27
1939	48	14	29
1940	40	12	30
1941	48	16	33
1942	44	18	41
1943	51	17	33

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 and the results in all grades indicate achievement above the test norms. The results for the Wilhameadow Union are as follows:

Grade	Average	Norm
3	4.3	3.9
4	5.4	4.9
5	6.3	5.9
6	7.4	6.9
7	8.3	7.9
8	9.5	8.9

In explanation of this table, attention is called to the fact that 8.9, for instance, means the ninth month of school in the eighth grade 3.5 means the fifth month of school in the third grade, and so on. Since the tests this year were given in May, the norm of achievement for any grade is indicated by the decimal .9. It will be noted that in all grades the average was above the test norm.

Professional Organizations

As usual all of the teaching personnel of the schools in East Longmeadow,, Hampden, and Wilbraham belong to the local professional organizations, the Wilhameadow Teachers' Association. Ninety-four per cent of our teachers are members of the National Education Association. Five of the six school buildings in this school union display one hundred per cent membership certificates.

Conclusion

Your attention is directed to the reports of our supervisors and school nurse. All of these individuals are carrying on important work in our schools. This report would not be complete were there not special tribute paid to the loyalty, co-operation and devotion to duty displayed by all those engaged in the work of educating our boys and girls that they may take their rightful places as good citizens in a good community.

"Moreover, nothing is more essential to the government of the people,, nothing better for the guidance of life into the paths of honorable character, than the grace which wisdom gives, and the glory of training and the glory of training and the power of learning."

Alcuin, A.D. 796

Respectfully submitted,

EDMUND R. SAWYER

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ART

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

We, too, are on the production line, trying to turn out good Americans with the materials which you as parents send us and the supplies which you as taxpayers furnish us. Every product is vital.

We are serving important vitamins in our schools A. R. T. They are important for the well being and happiness of everyone and are needed to turn out better disciplined, better equipped and better prepared Americans; Americans appreciative of the past, competent for the present, and confident in the future.

Each year seems to find the Art Department busier than ever. Besides our regular work we have made posters, gifts for Junior Red Cross, sunshine boxes, decorations, gifts for Christmas, class year books, and histories of each town. This year, as before, we purchased and distributed about 6,000 trees from the Department of Conservation, Division of Forestry, making a total of approximately 19,000 trees distributed in the three towns of this union in the last three years. In years to come these trees will add much to the beauty around us.

In the study of art we learn to see and appreciate beauty as well as create it. Beauty is vital. We all need, as never before, the beauty of simple living, the beauty of honest work well done, and the beauty of friendship, music, poetry, and nature.

We in these country towns are blessed. We can "lift up our eyes unto the hill."

Respectfully submitted,
HELEN BARTLETT TOWER

REPORT OF HANDWRITING SUPERVISOR

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 year of the handwriting program in your schools for the school year of 1942-43.

In the initial handwriting test administered in the Hampden schools in September, 1938, 18.4% of the pupils made a score of "A" (Excellent); 18.4% made "B" (Good); and 63.1% made a score of less than "B". In the tests administered in November, 1943, 69.3% of the pupils were scored "A" (Excellent); 11.9% made "B" (Good); and 18.7% scored less than "B".

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 papers, seals, etc.

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 cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

W. L. RINEHART

REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

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

Music can and should be a vital and living force in the life of every child. It is a worthy use of leisure time, and a source of joy and happiness in moments of stress and strain. The most important single factor in the musical growth of a child is an opportunity for hearing good music; first, as a result of his own vocal efforts, and second, through the medium of a guided listening program.

In learning to read music and understand it, we help the citizen of tomorrow to become a participant instead of a spectator in the leisure life of the nation. The more frequent opportunities we give him to hear the best in music, the more he knows about it, and the more he knows, the more he loves it.

In attempting to attain such worthy objectives, the music program stresses interpretative singing, music reading, analysis of structure and form in music, rhythmic response, and music appreciation.

Every music lesson is a lesson in music appreciation in so far as children are taught to evaluate their own performances. However, in order to go beyond what the children are able to do, a fairly comprehensive record library is needed.

Probably nothing has such a strong motivating force with young people as preparing for and presenting a public program. It was unfortunate that the heating problem prevented auditorium programs this past year. During Music Week in May parents were invited to a concert in which the entire school participated. The lower grades used the season of Spring as their center of interest, while the upper grades enjoyed interpreting the songs of other peoples of the world and learning something of the history of each song performed. This performance was very well attended and showed the interest the parents have in what we are doing.

The "Four Freedoms" served as a basis and theme for graduation exercises this year. Choral selections of a patriotic nature emphasized in music what was stressed in speech.

Rehearsals for a Christmas program are now under way. This year it will take the form of a concert of Christmas songs and carols, the latter to include stories of interest about each carol sung.

At this time I wish to thank all who have helped make the year's work both successful and pleasant.

Respectfully submitted,
CECILIA C. SEYMOUR

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

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

With the many unforeseen interruptions the work of the school physician and school nurse has progressed as nearly on schedule as possible.

I have as usual assisted Dr. Schneider with physical examinations, many of which have been made in the presence of a parent, so that the doctor could talk over defects and make recommendations.

When the children were weighed in the fall, very few children were found who had not gained since the last weighing.

I feel the town is very fortunate in having the better and more complete outfit for vision testing, namely the Massachusetts Vision Test. Many parents have received notices regarding indications of farsightedness which would never have been detected with the former Snellen test. Parents, in most cases, are cooperative in having corrections made.

A general notice from the State Department this year suggested that the feet of children be bared in order to detect defects such as flat or pronated feet or athletes foot which might be of hindrance to them in later life. We are happy that this procedure was begun in this town some twelve or fourteen years ago.

With all of the scarlet fever in the city we were fortunate in having only a very few cases. Other contagion was not heavy although there were some measles, mumps, and German measles.

We shall appreciate the cooperation of parents in checking the children before they leave for school. If any symptoms seem to be present, the children should be kept at home and a doctor should be called in. No child should come to school having impetigo unless it is covered.

All of the bookings for tonsil operations had to be cancelled because of the scarlet fever and infantile paralysis in the city.

I have assisted the dentist at the dental examination, taken children to the city for eye examinations and glasses, made home visits, made inspections for contagion, colds, and head infections.

Respectfully submitted,

SIGNE L. POLSON, R. N.

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1943-1944

First Term:

Wednesday, September 8, to Thursday, December 23

Second Term:

Monday, January 3, to Friday, February 18

Third Term:

Monday, February 28, to Friday, April 28

Fourth Term:

Monday, May 8, to Friday, June 23

The schools are closed on Friday, October 29, annual meeting of the Hampden County Teachers' Association; Wednesday noon, November 24, to Friday, November 26, inclusive, Thanksgiving recess; Friday, April 7, Good Friday; and on all legal holidays.

TABLE OF STATISTICS

Children in the School Census and their Distribution

October 1, 1943

	5 to 7 years	7 to 16 years	Total
Boys	13	96	109
Girls	20	92	112
Total	33	188	221
Distribution:			
In public school	31	184	215
In Trade school	0	2	4
Not enrolled in any school	2	2	4
Total	3	188	221
Total on October 1, 1942	46	159	205

Number of Pupils in Elementary Schools by Grades.

Five-Year Period 1938-1943

(As of October in each year)

Year	Grade I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Total
1938	30	16	15	22	16	20	12	19	150
1939	18	25	13	14	24	21	18	12	145
1940	25	15	27	17	16	25	16	20	161
1941	21	23	20	29	18	19	24	17	171
1942	31	17	25	19	27	16	18	20	173
1943	25	35	19	26	20	28	16	17	186

Number of Pupils in the Several High and Trade Schools

Five-Year Period 1938-1943

(As of December in each year)

	Junior High School	Classical High School	High School Commerce	Technical High School	Trade School	Total
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
1943	18	5	6	17	5	51

Essay: "Freedom from Fear"

Benet

Louis Stebaldi

Song: "Aloha Oe"

Liliwokalani

Graduates

Presentation of Certificates to Graduates and to

High School Honor Graduate

Mr. William H. Burns

Chairman of School Committee

Songs: "The Home Road"

Carpenter

"Under the Stars and Stripes"

Adams

Chorus

Elementary School Graduates, June, 1943

Viola Beatrice Albrecht	Austin King Harris
Raymond Balser	Rollyn Homer Hatch
Audrey Eileen Brehaut	Doris Marilyn Kibbe
Betty Jean Burleigh	Dorothy Myrtle Kibbe
Alfred George Burt	Harvey Eli Lavoie
Barbara Jean Connors	Martha Pierrette Leduc
Audrey Cowles	Dorothy Jean Libby
Jane Dayton	Alfred Ernest Ouimet
Leona Norma Frew	William Hugh Patric
Patricia Gagnier	Louis James Siebaldi
Stanley James Hamel	Lucille Phyllis Temple
Merle Marie Wakefield	

High and Trade School Honor Roll, 1943

Barbara Burleigh	Ian Joyce
Betty Burleigh	Adrienne LaBelle
Wilfred Breck	Theresa LaBelle
Willard Flynn	Geraldine Lamoureux
* Alice Fuller	Edythe Lemon
Anne Hamel	John McGill
Jean Helberg	Lucille Temple
Edith Isham	Raymond Temple

* Three-year honor pupil, Technical High School

School Directory - Jan. 1, 1943

Superintendent of School

Edmund R. Sawyer, Residence: 52 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, North Road, Hampden	Grade 6
Mrs. Stasia K. Lavoie, 35 Stebbins St., Ludlow	Grades 4-5
Mary E. Adams, 38 Chapel St., Westfield	Grades 3-4
Mary M. Teahan, 30 White St., Westfield	Grade 2
Mrs. Lucy S. Jeffrey, 358 South St., Agawam	Grade 1

Supervisor of Art

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

P.O. Address, East Longmeadow

Supervisor of Handwriting

Wm. L. Rinehart, Weston, Massachusetts

Supervisor of Music

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

School Physician

Dr. Benjamin Schneider, Monson

School Nurse

Signe L. Polson, 36 Summit St., 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 seventh day of February, A.D., 1944, 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; one member of the Planning Board, for the term of five years. 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 what disposition the Town will make of the Dog Fund, now in the hands of the Treasurer.

Article 6. 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 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$606.99 for Street Lights.

Article 8. 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 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,125.00 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 10. 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 11. 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 12. To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$450.00 from the Road Machinery Fund to the Road Machinery Account, and to raise and appropriate \$1,200.00 for the same.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for planting trees along the highways.

Article 14. 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 15. 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 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for Gypsy Moth Control.

Article 17. 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 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used for local Defense Work.

Article 19. 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 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and ap-

appropriate a sum of money to survey the land given to the Town by Mr. and Mrs. Nelson M. Carew to be known as Pease Park, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100 for constructing and cleaning out water holes for fire protection.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to pay the unpaid bills of 1943, namely Edw. E. Babb & Co.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$100.00 for the perpetual care of the Henry M. Davis Cemetery lot.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for the purchase of war bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks, in order to establish a postwar rehabilitation fund, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943.

Article 25. To see if the Town will accept a building ordinance, not to be incorporated in the Town Warrant at this time, but to be read and voted on at the coming Town meeting. This ordinance has been approved by the Planning Board and Building Inspector.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to purchase from Charles F. Ballard, the land on the East side of the old cemetery to the Chapin Road, and on the North side to the Bradway property line and to appropriate a sum of money from the Real Estate Revenue Account.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to accept sidewalks that were constructed by the abutters that are in the highways.

Article 28. 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, 1944, 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, General Laws.

Article 29. 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.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to maintain and add names to the Honor Roll.

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 twenty-first day of January, 1944.

NEIL S. KIBBE

WILLIAM BURNS

JOHN J. FLYNN

Selectmen of Hampden

