

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

TOWN OF EPSOM

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FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1953

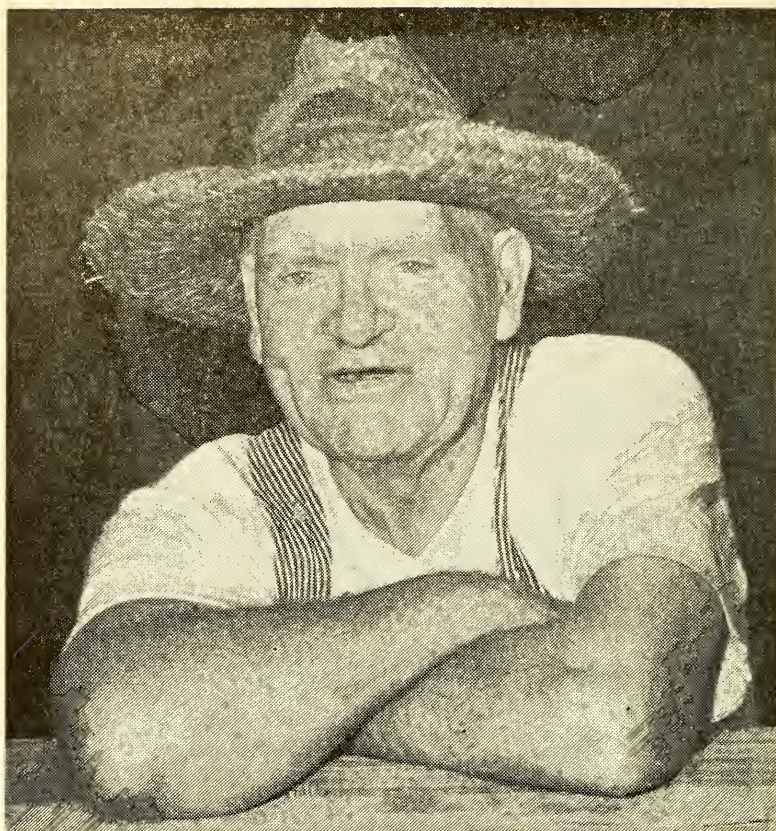


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TOWN OFFICERS
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FRANK EVERETT BROWN died suddenly October 30, 1953. He was born in Epsom April 1, 1891, the son of William and Sarah (Nickerson) Brown. He lived and worked as a farmer in Epsom all his life. He was well known to people in surrounding towns where he drove a meat truck for many years.

He married Lulu Davis, April 19, 1928. He is survived by his wife, a son William, a step-daughter Mrs. Ruth Krenn and a step-son John D. Davis.

Mr. Brown was a member and trustee of Epsom Baptist Church and a member of McClary Grange for nearly half a century.

He took an active part in civic affairs serving as selectman, a member of the School Board, and on the budget committee of which he was a member at the time of his death.

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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator

HENRY L. STEVENS

Selectmen

FRANK E. HURD	Term expires 1954
JOHN B. YEATON	Term expires 1955
NEIL G. REID	Term expires 1956

Town Clerk

HAZEL P. STEELE

Treasurer

OLAF A. RING

Representative to General Court

ELEANORA C. NUTTER

Collector of Taxes

EDWIN L. BUNKER (1953)
EDWIN L. BUNKER (1954)

Highway Agents

JOHN P. YEATON, District No. 1
ELDON W. HOWARD, District No. 2

Supervisors of Checklist

EDWARD E. BARTLETT FORREST BUMFORD
ELMER O. BERGSTROM

Ballot Inspectors

ARTHUR H. SULLIVAN RUSSELL S. YEATON
ELEANORA C. NUTTER MAURICE A. YEATON

Auditors

HENRY L. STEVENS RUSSELL S. YEATON

Library Trustees

HENRY DOWST	Term expires 1954
RALPH E. TOWLE	Term expires 1955
FLORENCE L. YEATON	Term expires 1956

Librarian

MARJORIE A. YEATON

Cemetery Trustees

JOHN W. COX	Term expires 1954
ELEANORA C. NUTTER	Term expires 1955
CHARLES M. STEELE	Term expires 1956

Trustees of Trust Funds

JOHN W. COX	Term expires 1954
ELEANORA C. NUTTER	Term expires 1955
CHARLES M. STEELE	Term expires 1956

Forest Fire Warden

ARTHUR H. SULLIVAN

Deputy Forest Fire Wardens

ROSCOE G. WARREN	CLARENCE E. BARTLETT
FRED W. YEATON	FREDERICK PALMER
J. FRED KNIGHT	LLEWELYN CUSHING

Health Officer

CLARENCE E. BARTLETT

Overseer of Poor

ALBERT J. YEATON

Police Chief

CHARLES I. BROCK

*Fire Department Officers
Chief*

ROSCOE G. WARREN

Deputy Chiefs

ALBERT J. YEATON, SR. WALTER SAWYER
JOHN DAVIS

Lieutenants

JAMES M. STEELE ALAN GOODWIN
LLEWELYN CUSHING

Secretary

FORREST H. BUMFORD

Treasurer

FRED W. YEATON

Trustees

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Park Commissioners

GROVER T. STEVENS JESSE A. HUNT
MAURICE A. YEATON

Officers of the School District

Moderator

HENRY L. STEVENS

Clerk

ETHEL M. YEATON

Superintendent of Schools

CHESTER W. DOE

School Board

HENRY DOWST, JR.	Term expires 1954
DOROTHY OSBORNE (Resigned)	
	Term expires 1955
HELEN H. HURD (Appointed)	Term expires 1954
RUSSELL S. YEATON	Term expires 1956

Treasurer

AMY K. BARTLETT

Auditor

MADELEINE E. YEATON

Truant Officer

JESSE A. HUNT

Town Budget Committee

ROBERT E. CUTTER	Term expires 1954
WILLIAM ARTZ	Term expires 1954
ROBERT H. WHITAKER	Term expires 1954
HERBERT SELDON	Term expires 1955
CHARLES E. MORRELL	Term expires 1955
CLIFFORD M. OSBORNE	Term expires 1955
JAMES M. STEELE	Term expires 1956
HOWARD SATURLEY	Term expires 1956
FRANK E. BROWN (Deceased)	Term expires 1956
FORREST BUMFORD (Appointed)	
	Term expires 1954
FRANK E. HURD	Member Board of Selectmen
HENRY DOWST, JR.	Member of School Board

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
WARRANT

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Epsom in the County of Merrimack in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town Hall in said Epsom on Tuesday, the ninth day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon until six of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To see what action the Town will take upon the Budget submitted by the Budget Committee.

3. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$601.46 for the maintenance, construction or reconstruction of Class V Highways, the State to contribute \$4009.72 as provided in Chapter 83, Laws of 1951 as amended by Chapter 31, Laws of 1953.

4. To see what discount, if any, the Town will allow on property taxes.

5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow such sums of money as may be necessary in anticipation of taxes.

6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to distribute the inventory blanks at the time of taking the annual inventory.

7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Concord Hospital to help offset an estimated operating deficit for the year 1954.

8. Pursuant to the provisions of the Laws as revised Chapter 292, Section 7, 1949. The following Article is submitted: Shall the provisions of Chapter 171-A of the Revised Laws relative to playing games of Beano be adopted in this Town?

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and put a basement under the Town Hall — thereby providing —rest rooms—adequate heat by central heating plant and making space to house 3 fire trucks and for such purpose vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000.00) (Put in by Petition).

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 and authorize the Selectmen to borrow a sum not exceeding \$4,000.00 for the purchase of a new Huber Grader and attachments or act in any other way relating thereto.

11. To transact any other business that may be legally brought before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this Twentieth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

FRANK E. HURD,
JOHN B. YEATON,
NEIL G. REID,

Selectmen of Epsom

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

FRANK E. HURD,
JOHN B. YEATON,
NEIL G. REID,

Selectmen of Epsom

BUDGET OF THE
Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the
Compared
Estimated and Actual Revenue, Appropriations and Expenditures

Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue Previous Year 1953	Actual Revenue Previous Year 1953	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year 1954
<i>From State:</i>			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$800.00	\$1,256.27	\$1,256.27
Railroad Tax	65.00	70.46	70.46
Savings Bank Tax		314.16	
Bounties		1.50	
For Fighting Forest Fires	492.19	722.85	22.74
Refund Blister Rust .....		.90	
Reimbursement a/c Old Age Assistance ..		902.42	
Gasoline Refund		42.99	
<i>From Local Sources Except Taxes:</i>			
Dog Licenses	300.00	454.30	400.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	15.00	18.00	15.00
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits ..		4.96	
Refunds:			
Pembroke, Allenstown, from Fires		120.80	
County		113.99	108.85
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	3,200.00	4,046.04	3,700.00
Sale of Town Property		364.96	
Refunds, Insurance and Driveways		391.48	
Refunds, Charity		1.50	
<i>Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds or Notes:</i>			
New Equipment			4,000.00
†Cash Surplus			5,329.98
<i>From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes:</i>			
Poll Taxes — Regular at \$2	732.00	804.00	700.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	5.00	5.00	5.00
Total Revenues from All Sources Except Property Taxes	\$5,889.19	\$9,636.58	\$15,922.30
*Amt. to be Raised by Prop. Taxes	21,910.70	17,098.74	21,458.97
Total Revenues			\$37,381.27

*Total estimated. "Revenues from all sources except Property Taxes" deducted from Total estimated "Expenditures" should give estimated "Amount to be raised by Property Taxes."

†Cash Surplus equals Excess of actual Cash on Hand at close of fiscal year over Current Liabilities, i.e., Balance of Appropriation due School District, Unexpended Balances of Special Appropriations, Outstanding Temporary Loans in Anticipation of Taxes and Accounts Payable.

TOWN OF EPSOM

Ensuing Year January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954

with

of the Previous Year January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1953

Purposes of Expenditures	Appropriations Previous Year 1953	Actual Expenditures Previous Year 1953	Estimated Expenditures Ensuing Year 1954
<i>Current Maintenance Expenses:</i>			
<i>General Government:</i>			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$900.00	\$875.00	\$960.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,200.00	1,197.10	1,200.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other Town Bldgs.	300.00	189.93	500.00
<i>Protection of Persons and Property:</i>			
Police Department	100.00	204.90	150.00
Fire Department	2,000.00	2,712.40	2,800.00
Moth Extermination—Blister Rust & Care of Trees	400.00	400.00	100.00
<i>Health:</i>			
Health Department, Including Hospitals ..	805.00	805.00	500.00
Vital Statistics	30.00	25.00	30.00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	75.00	27.50	100.00
<i>Highways and Bridges:</i>			
Town Maintenance—Summer	5,000.00	5,240.72	7,000.00
Town Maintenance—Winter	4,500.00	3,077.37	4,500.00
Bush Cutting	500.00	484.50	500.00
Town Road Aid	629.89	629.89	601.46
Special Tar	2,000.00	2,036.03	4,000.00
Libraries	250.00	250.00	250.00
<i>Public Welfare:</i>			
Town Poor	800.00	1,040.00	1,000.00
Old Age Assistance	3,500.00	3,256.26	3,500.00
<i>Patriotic Purposes:</i>			
Memorial Day and Veterans' Associations ..	40.00	40.00	40.00
Aid to Soldiers and Their Families	200.00	129.50	200.00
<i>Recreation:</i>			
Parks and Playgrounds Incl. Band Concerts	100.00	133.00	150.00
<i>Public Service Enterprises:</i>			
Cemeteries	600.00	270.50	350.00
<i>Unclassified:</i>			
Damages, Legal Expenses & Insurance, Incl. Dog Damage	1,200.00	1,077.14	1,200.00
<i>Interest:</i>			
On Temporary Loans	100.00	166.86	160.00
On Long Term Notes and Bonds	175.00	177.98	122.84
<i>Highways and Bridges:</i>			
New Equipment	1,000.00	288.74	5,000.00
<i>Payment on Principal of Debt:</i>			
Long Term Notes	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,266.97
Total Expenditures	\$28,404.89	\$26,735.32	\$37,381.27

ROBERT E. CUTTER, Chm.
JAMES E. STEELE, Sec'y
WILLIAM B. ARTZ
HOWARD SATURLEY
HERBERT SELDON

FRANK E. HURD
ROBERT WHITAKER
CLIFFORD M. OSBORNE
CHARLES MORRELL
HENRY DOWST, JR.
FORREST BUMFORD

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES
FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1953

Item	1953 Ap- propriation	Receipts and Reimbursements	Total Amt. Available	1953 Ex- penditures	Unexpended Balance	Over- draft
Town Officers' Salaries	\$900.00		\$900.00	\$875.00	\$25.00	
Town Officers' Expenses	1,200.00	\$13.00	1,213.00	1,195.00	18.00	
Town Hall and Other Buildings	300.00		300.00	189.93	110.07	
Police Department	100.00		100.00	204.90		
Fire Department, including Forest Fires	2,000.00	843.65	2,843.65	2,712.40	131.25	
Blister Rust — Moth Control	400.00	.90	400.90	400.00	.90	
Health Dept., Inc. Concord Hospital	805.00		805.00	805.00		
Vital Statistics	30.00		30.00	25.00		
Town Dump	75.00		75.00	27.50	5.00	
Town Maintenance — Summer	5,000.00		5,000.00	5,240.72		
Town Maintenance — Winter	4,500.00	42.99	4,542.99	3,077.37	1,465.62	
Bush Cutting	500.00		500.00	484.50	15.50	
Special Tar	2,000.00	80.00	2,080.00	2,036.03	43.97	
Town Road Aid	629.89		629.89	629.89		
Libraries	250.00		250.00	250.00		
Town Poor	800.00		800.00	1,040.00		
Old Age Assistance	3,500.00	902.42	4,402.42	3,256.26	1,146.16	
Memorial Day	40.00		40.00	40.00		
Aid to Soldiers and their Families	200.00	180.00	380.00	129.50	250.50	
Parks and Playgrounds	100.00		100.00	133.60		
Cemeteries	600.00		600.00	270.50	329.50	
Damage and Legal Expenses	1,200.00	118.48	1,318.48	1,077.14	241.34	
Interest on Temporary Loans	100.00		100.00	166.86		
Interest on Long Term Notes	175.00		175.00	177.98		
New Equipment	1,000.00	100.00	1,100.00	288.74	811.26	
Long Term Notes	2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00		
	\$28,404.89	\$2,281.44	\$30,686.33	\$26,733.22	\$4,641.57	\$688.46
					688.46	
					\$3,953.11	

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

INVENTORY FOR 1953

Land and buildings		\$837,669.00
Electric Plants	3	40,039.00
Horses	41	1,600.00
Oxen and Neat Stock	79	5,335.00
Cows	523	54,370.00
Sheep and Goats	113	1,130.00
Fowl	27,384	26,846.00
Mills and Machinery	1	250.00
Vehicles	1	200.00
Portable Mills	2	1,100.00
Road Repairing and Well		
Drilling Machines		9,400.00
Wood and Lumber		50,240.00
Gas Pumps and Tanks		6,600.00
Stock in Trade		59,146.00
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		\$1,093,925.00
Soldier's Exemption		54,935.00
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Valuation on which Tax is assessed		\$1,038,990.00

Tax Rate \$4.70 per \$100.00

404 Poll Taxes at \$2.00, \$808.00

National Bank Stock Tax \$5.00

APPROPRIATIONS FOR 1953

Town Officers' Salaries	\$900.00
Town Officers' Expenses	1,200.00
Town Hall and Other Buildings	300.00
Police Department	100.00
Fire Department	2,000.00
Blister Rust	400.00
Health Department (Hospital)	805.00
Town Dump	75.00
Vital Statistics	30.00
Town Road Aid	629.89
Town Maintenance (Summer)	5,000.00
Town Maintenance (Winter)	4,500.00
Special Tar	2,000.00
Bush Cutting	500.00
New Equipment	1,000.00
Libraries	250.00
Old Age Assistance	3,500.00
Town Poor	800.00
Aid to Soldiers and their Families	200.00
Memorial Day	40.00
Parks and Playgrounds	100.00
Cemeteries	600.00
Damages and Legal Expenses	1,200.00
Payments on Principal of Debt	2,000.00
Interests	275.00
County Tax	3,286.40
School Tax	29,143.99
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Total	\$60,835.28

STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT
TOWN OF EPSOM, N. H.

December 31, 1953

Showing Annual Maturities of Outstanding Bonds and
Long Term Notes

New Snow Removal and Highway Equipment

Serial Notes

1948 @ 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ %

Maturities	Original Amount	Total Annual Maturities
	\$6,000.00	
1954	1,000.00	\$1,000.00
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Total	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00

Short Falls Bridge Notes, 1951 @ 2%

Maturities	Original Amount	Total Annual Maturities
	\$5,266.97	
1954	\$1,266.97	\$1,266.97
1955	1,000.00	1,000.00
1956	1,000.00	1,000.00
1957	1,000.00	1,000.00
1958	1,000.00	1,000.00
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Total	\$5,266.97	\$5,266.97

Total Bonded Debt \$6,266.97

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town Hall, Land and Buildings	\$3,900.00
Furniture and Equipment	400.00
Libraries, Land and Buildings	3,500.00
Furniture and Equipment	3,000.00
Police Department, Land and Buildings	100.00
Fire Department, Lands and Buildings	1,000.00
Equipment	7,000.00
Highway Department, Lands and Buildings	1,000.00
Equipment	12,000.00
Parks and Playgrounds	250.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	8,000.00
Town Dump	50.00
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	\$40,200.00

BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS

LIABILITIES

<i>Cash</i>		
In hands of treasurer	\$15,981.00	
<i>Accounts Due to the Town —</i>		
Due from State:		
Hedgehog Bounties	6.50	
Fighting Forest Fires	22.74	
Due from County:		
Poor Off Farm	108.85	
<i>Unredeemed Taxes:</i>		
Levy of 1953	625.17	
Levy of 1952	100.55	
Levy of 1951	78.16	
<i>Uncollected Taxes:</i>		
Levy of 1953	495.24	
Levy of 1953 (30 Poll Taxes)	60.00	
Timber Tax to Collect	472.76	
State Head Taxes—Levy of 1953	210.00	
	\$18,160.97	
Total Assets	\$18,160.97	
Excess of liabilities over assets (Net Debt)	5,975.35	
	\$24,136.32	
<i>Grand Total</i>		\$24,136.32
Net Debt, December 31, 1952	\$7,031.80	
Net Debt, December 31, 1953	5,975.35	
Decrease of Debt	\$1,056.45	
		\$24,136.32
<i>Accounts Owed by the Town:</i>		
Reserve a/c Future Yield Tax Loss		\$8,172.42
Due to State:		
State Head Taxes—1953		
Uncollected \$210.00, Collected — not remitted to State Treas. \$150.00		360.00
Due to School Districts: Balance of 1953-1954 Appropriation		9,143.99
Due to Class V Highways		
Duncan Fund		192.94
<i>Long Term Notes Outstanding:</i>		
Short Falls Bridge Note 1951		5,266.97
Snow Removal Equipment Note 1948..		1,000.00
Total Liabilities		\$24,136.32
<i>Grand Total</i>		\$24,136.32

UNIFORM

CLASSIFICATION

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RECEIPTS

Current Revenue:

From Local Taxes (Collected and remitted to Treasurer):

Property Taxes—Current Year—1953..	\$48,073.49
Poll Taxes—Current Year—Regular @ \$2—1953	760.00
National Bank Stock Taxes—1952	5.00
Yield Taxes, Current Year 1953	2,050.98
State Head Taxes @ \$5.00—1953	2,260.00

Total Current Year's Taxes collected and remitted

\$53,149.47

Property Taxes—Previous Years

166.16

Poll Taxes—Previous Years—Regular @ \$2

44.00

State Head Taxes—Prev. Year @ \$5.00

175.00

Interest received on Taxes

4.96

Penalties on State Head Taxes

32.50

Tax sales redeemed

106.05

From State:

Refund on Gas Road Toll	\$12.99
Interest and dividend tax	1,256.27
Railroad Tax	68.58
Supplemental	1.88

PAYMENTS

Current Maintenance Expenses:

General Government:

Town officers' salaries	\$875.00
Town officers' expenses	1,197.10
Expenses town hall and other town buildings	189.93

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police department	204.90
Fire department, including forest fires	2,712.40
Moth extermination—Blister Rust	400.00
Bounties	6.50

Health:

Health department, including hospitals	805.00
Vital statistics	25.00
Town Dump	27.50

Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	629.89
Town Maintenance:	

Summer	\$5,240.72
Winter	3,077.37
Bush Cutting	484.50
Special Tar	2,036.03

Libraries:

10,838.62

250.00

Public Welfare:

Old age assistance	3,256.26
County poor	179.53
Town Poor	1,040.00

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day	40.00
Aid to soldiers and their families	129.50

Recreation:

133.00

Public Service Enterprises:

270.50

Cemeteries

<i>Unclassified:</i>		
Damages and legal expenses	314.16	1,077.14
Taxes bought by town .....	.90	625.17
Refunds	192.94	210.18
Abatements	722.85	346.17
Total Current Maintenance Expenses		\$25,469.39
<i>Interest:</i>		
Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	902.42	\$166.86
Paid on long term notes	1.50	\$177.98
Total Interest Payments	113.99	344.84
<i>Equipment and Permanent Improvements:</i>		
New equipment—Highway	454.30	\$288.74
Total Outlay Payments	18.00	\$288.74
<i>Indebtedness:</i>		
Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes	346.17	\$10,000.00
Payments on long term notes	4,046.04	2,000.00
Total Indebtedness Payments	364.96	12,000.00
<i>Payments to Other Governmental Div.:</i>	\$8,847.95	
State Head Taxes paid to State Treas.		
1952 Taxes		\$1,056.44
1953 Taxes		1,903.50
County Tax		3,286.40
Payments to School Districts		
1952 Tax	1.50	19,575.83
1953 Tax	512.28	20,000.00
Total Payments to Other Governmental Divisions	\$10,513.78	\$45,822.17
Total Payments for all Purposes ..	\$73,039.87	\$83,925.04
Cash on hand January 1, 1953	26,866.17	15,981.00
Grand Total	\$99,906.04	\$99,906.04
<i>Receipts Other than Current Revenue:</i>		
Temporary loans in anticipation of taxes during year	10,000.00	
Portsmouth Naval Yard Charities	1.50	
Refunds	512.28	
Total Receipts from All Sources....	\$73,039.87	
Cash on hand January 1, 1953	26,866.17	
Grand Total	\$99,906.04	

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For the Year Ending December 31, 1953

Receipts

Auto Registration Permits, bal. of 1952-53	\$48.93
Auto Registration Permits, 1953-54	3,997.11
Candidate Fees	12.00
Dog Licenses for 1951	1.80
Dog Licenses for 1952	55.20
Dog Licenses for 1953	397.30
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	\$4,512.34

Paid Olaf A. Ring, Treasurer

Auto Registration Permits, bal. of 1952-53	\$48.93
Auto Registration Permits, 1953-54	3,997.11
Candidate Fees	12.00
Dog Licenses for 1951	1.80
Dog Licenses for 1952	55.20
Dog Licenses for 1953	397.30
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	\$4,512.34

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL P. STEELE.

Town Clerk

REPORT OF EDWIN L. BUNKER
COLLECTOR OF TAXES FOR THE YEAR 1953

Summary of Warrant — Levy of 1953

Taxes Committed to Collector

Property Taxes	\$48,835.70
Added Property Taxes	23.50
Bank Stock Taxes	5.00
Poll Taxes	808.00
Added Poll Taxes	12.00
Yield Taxes	2,525.40
Head Taxes	2,420.00
Added Head Taxes	50.00
Head Tax Penalties	15.00
Interest to December 31, 1953	4.26
	\$54,698.86
Total Debits	\$54,698.86

Paid to Treasurer

Property Taxes	\$48,073.49
Bank Stock Taxes	5.00
Poll Taxes	762.00
Yield Taxes	2,050.98
Head Taxes	2,260.00
Head Tax Penalties	15.00
Abatements	292.13
Interest to December 31, 1953	4.26
	\$53,460.86
Property Taxes to Collect	495.24
Poll Taxes to Collect	60.00
Head Taxes to Collect	210.00
Yield Taxes to Collect	472.76
	\$54,698.86

1952 Taxes

Property Taxes to Collect	\$165.54
Poll Taxes to Collect	60.00
Added Poll	2.00
Head Taxes to Collect	175.00
Added Head Taxes	15.00
Property taxes in hands of Collector, Jan. 1, 1953	13.66
Interest on 1952 Property Taxes	.70
Head Tax Penalties	17.50
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	\$449.40

Paid Treasurer

Property Taxes on hand Jan. 1, 1953	\$13.66
Property Taxes	152.50
Property Taxes by abatement	13.04
Poll Taxes	44.00
Poll Taxes by abatement	18.00
Head Taxes	175.00
Head Taxes by abatement	15.00
Head Tax penalties	17.50
Property tax interest	.70
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	\$449.40

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN L. BUNKER,
Collector

SUMMARY OF TAX SALE ACCOUNTS
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1953

<i>Dr.</i>				
	1953	1952	1951	1950
Taxes sold to Town during current fiscal year	\$625.17	\$210.21	\$89.56	\$28.25
Interest collected after sale .....		.09		3.14
Total Debits	\$625.17	\$210.30	\$89.56	\$31.39
<i>Cr.</i>				
Remittances to Treasurer during year		\$89.43		\$16.62
Remittances to Treasurer during year by abatement		7.98		
Deeded to Town		12.34	\$11.40	14.77
Unredeemed taxes at close of year	\$625.17	100.55	78.16	
Total Credits	\$625.17	\$210.30	\$89.56	\$31.39

Unredeemed Taxes from Tax Sales on Account of Levies of

	1953	1952	1951
Charles P. Williamson	\$158.98		
Walter Quimby	107.72		
G. V. Pike	37.28		
Dorothy Peters	133.70		
Maurice Grant	6.40		
Frank A. and Virginia Florence	104.72		
Lloyd McFarlin	18.80		
Beverly J. and Richard W. Osgood, Jr.	57.57		
John G. Bickford		\$100.55	\$78.16
	\$625.17	\$100.55	\$78.16

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN L. BUNKER, *Collector*

TREASURER'S REPORT
TOWN OF EPSOM, N. H.

Jan. 1, 1953 to Jan. 1, 1954

Receipts

Cash on Hand, January 1, 1953		\$26,866.17
Suncook Bank, Temp. Loan		10,000.00
Mrs. Annie Fife, Ex. on Clifton	\$13.00	
County Treas., Direct Aid, November, 1952	18.00	
Town of Pittsfield		
Refund Soldier's Aid	90.00	
Refund Soldier's Aid	90.00	
Town of Pembroke		
Refund on Fire Bills	43.60	
County Treas., Poor Off Farm, Dec., Jan., Feb., March	95.99	
Jackman & Lang, Refund on Ins.	118.48	
S. V. R. R., Pay for Timber	264.96	
Town of Allenstown, Refund on Fire Bills	77.20	
John P. Yeaton, Snow Plow	100.00	
U. S. Naval Charities, Refund	1.50	
Henry Phelps, Tarring Driveway	30.00	
John Cox, Tarring Driveway	50.00	
F. E. Hurd, Pistol Permits	6.00	
		<hr/> 998.73

State Treasurer:

Road Toll Refund	\$42.99	
Hedgehog Bounties	1.50	
Refund on Fire Bills	710.73	
Fire Warden Service	12.12	
Refund Class V Roads	192.94	
Int. Div. Tax	1,256.27	
Refund on Old Age Assist.	902.42	
Refund Blister Rust	.90	
Savings Bank Tax	314.16	
R. R. Tax	68.58	
Supplemental Tax	1.88	
	<hr/>	3,504.49

Hazel Steele, Town Clerk:

Candidate Fees	\$12.00	
1951-52 Dog Tax	1.80	
1952-53 Dog Tax	55.20	
1953-54 Dog Tax	397.30	
1952-53 Auto Tax	48.93	
1953-54 Auto Tax	3,997.11	
	<hr/>	4,512.34

Edwin L. Bunker, Collector:

1952 Poll Taxes	\$44.00	
1952 Head Taxes	175.00	
1952 Head Tax Penalties	17.50	
1952 Property Tax	152.50	
1952 Redemptions	102.82	
1952 Interest	3.93	
1952 Abatements	54.02	
1952 Receipt to Balance	13.66	
	<hr/>	563.43

1953 Poll Taxes	\$760.00
1953 Head Taxes	2,260.00
1953 Penalties	15.00
1953 Property Taxes	47,537.47
1953 Bought by Town	536.02
1953 Interest	4.26
1953 Timber Tax	2,050.98
1953 Abatements	292.13
1953 Bank Stock Tax	5.00
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	53,460.86
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	\$99,906.02
Timber Tax Refund	.02
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Total Receipts	\$99,906.04
Less Selectmen's Orders 454 to 713 Incl.	83,925.04
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On Hand	\$15,981.00

Respectfully submitted,

O. A. RING,
Treasurer

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand, Jan. 1, 1953	\$26,866.17
Property Taxes Current Year	48,073.49
Poll Taxes Current Year	760.00
Head Taxes and Penalties	2,467.50
Property and Poll Taxes Previous Years	210.16
Tax Sales Redeemed	106.05
From State of N. H.	3,504.49
From Merrimack County	113.99
Dog Licenses	454.30
Pistol Permits	6.00
Abatements including Head Tax	346.17
Interest Received	4.96
Registration of Motor Vehicles	4,046.04
Fees	12.00
Timber Tax	2,050.98
Temporary Loan	10,000.00
Refunds	512.28
Charities	1.50
Sale of Town Property	364.96
Total Receipts	<hr/> \$99,906.04

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

General Government

Town Officers' Salaries	\$875.00	
Town Officers' Expenses	1,197.10	
Town Hall and Other Buildings	189.93	
		\$2,262.03

Protection of Persons and Property

Police Department	\$204.90	
Fire Department, Including Forest Fires	2,712.40	
Blister Rust	400.00	
Bounties	6.50	
		3,323.80

Health

Health including Concord Hospital	\$805.00	
Vital Statistics	25.00	
Town Dump	27.50	
		857.50

Highways and Bridges

Bush Cutting	\$484.50	
Special Tar	2,036.03	
Winter Maintenance	3,077.37	
Summer Maintenance	5,240.72	
T. R. A.	629.89	
		11,468.51

Libraries

Libraries		250.00
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Public Welfare

Old Age Assistance	\$3,256.26	
Town Poor	1,040.00	
County Poor	179.53	
		4,475.79

Patriotic Purposes

Memorial Day	\$40.00	
Soldiers Aid	129.50	
	<hr/>	169.50

Recreation

Webster Park		133.00
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Public Service Enterprises

Cemeteries		270.50
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Unclassified

Damage and Legal Expenses	\$1,077.14	
Taxes Bought by Town	625.17	
Refunds	210.18	
Abatements	346.17	
New Equipment	288.74	
	<hr/>	2,547.40

Interest

Paid on Temporary and Long Term Notes		344.84
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Indebtedness

Paid on Temporary Note	\$10,000.00	
Paid on Long Term Note	2,000.00	
	<hr/>	12,000.00

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions

County Taxes	\$3,286.40	
Payments to School District	39,575.83	
Head Taxes	2,959.94	
	<hr/>	45,822.17

Total Payments for all Purposes		<hr/> <hr/> \$83,925.04
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DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

Cash on Hand Jan. 1, 1953 \$26,866.17

Detail 1—*Property Taxes Current Year*

Edwin L. Bunker, Collector 48,073.49

Detail 2—*Poll Taxes Current Year*

Edwin L. Bunker, Collector 760.00

Detail 3—*Property and Polls Previous Year*

Edwin L. Bunker, Collector 210.16

Detail 4—*National Bank Stock Tax*

Edwin L. Bunker, Collector 5.00

Detail 5—*Tax Sale Redemptions*

Edwin L. Bunker, Collector 106.05

Detail 6—*State Head Tax*

Edwin L. Bunker, Collector 2,435.00

Detail 7—*State Head Tax Penalties*

Edwin L. Bunker, Collector 32.50

Detail 8—*From State of N. H.*

State Treasurer:

Interest and Dividends Tax	\$1,256.27
Railroad Tax	68.58
Railroad Supplemental	1.88
Savings Bank Tax	314.16
Old Age Assistance	902.42
Fighting Forest Fires	722.85

Road Toll	42.99	
Blister Rust	.90	
Hedgehog Bounties	1.50	
Duncan Fund, Class V	192.04	
	<hr/>	3,504.49

Detail 9—*From Merrimack County*

County Treasurer:		
Poor off Farm	\$95.99	
Direct Aid	18.00	
	<hr/>	113.99

Detail 10—*Dog Licenses*

Hazel P. Steele, Clerk		454.30
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Detail 11—*Pistol Permits*

Harold S. Bickford	\$.50	
S. Dana Yeaton	.50	
John H. Greene	.50	
George E. Huckins	.50	
Russell E. Johnson	.50	
Henry Dowst, Jr.	.50	
Roger L. Bacon	.50	
Jesse E. Bresette	.50	
Alan F. Goodwin	.50	
Gregory M. Hurd	.50	
Walter J. Adamovicz	.50	
Everett N. Longson	.50	
	<hr/>	6.00

Detail 12—*Interests*

Edwin L. Bunker, Collector, Int. on Taxes		4.96
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Detail 13—*Abatements*

Edwin L. Bunker, Collector		346.17
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Detail 14—*Registration of Motor Vehicles*

Hazel P. Steele, Clerk, Auto Tax	4,046.04
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Detail 15—*Fees*

Hazel P. Steele, Clerk	12.00
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Detail 16—*Timber Tax*

Edwin L. Bunker, Collector	2,050.98
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Detail 17—*Temporary Loans*

The Suncook Bank	10,000.00
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Detail 18—*Refunds*

Town of Pembroke, Refund on Fire Bill	\$43.60	
Town of Allenstown, Refund on Fire Bill	77.20	
Jackman & Lang, Refund on Insurance	118.48	
John W. Cox, Tarring Driveway	50.00	
Henry Phelps, Tarring Driveway	30.00	
Town of Pittsfield, Refund Soldiers Aid	180.00	
Town Officers' Expenses, 1952 Refund	13.00	
	<hr/>	512.28

Detail 19—*Charities*

Employees, Naval Ship-yard	1.50
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Detail 20—*Sale of Town Property*

John P. Yeaton, Snow Plow	\$100.00	
Suncook Valley R. R., Bridge Timbers	264.96	
	<hr/>	364.96

Total Receipts	<hr/>	\$99,906.04
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DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Detail 1—*Town Officers' Salaries*

Frank E. Hurd, Selectman	\$200.00
John B. Yeaton, Selectman	100.00
Neil G. Reid, Selectman	100.00
Olaf A. Ring, Treasurer	100.00
Hazel P. Steele, Clerk	50.00
Edwin L. Bunker, Collector	200.00
Edwin L. Bunker, Collector, Balance	
1952 Salary	25.00
Edward E. Bartlett, Supervisor	20.00
Forrest Bumford, Supervisor	20.00
Elmer O. Bergstrom, Supervisor	20.00
Henry L. Stevens, Moderator and Auditor	13.00
Russell S. Yeaton, Auditor and Ballot	
Inspector	13.00
Arthur Sullivan, Ballot Inspector	3.00
Maurice A. Yeaton, Ballot Inspector	3.00
Eleanora C. Nutter, Ballot Inspector	3.00
Clarence E. Bartlett, Health Officer	5.00
	\$875.00

Detail 2—*Town Officers' Expenses*

Frank E. Hurd, Selectman	\$39.71
John B. Yeaton, Selectman	32.50
Neil G. Reid, Selectman	18.00
Olaf A. Ring, Treasurer	36.38
Hazel P. Steele, Clerk	354.61
Albert J. Yeaton, Overseer of Poor	70.00
Eleanora C. Nutter, Trustee of Trust Funds	15.00
Edwin L. Bunker, Collector, Supplies	28.46
Edwin L. Bunker, Collecting 1952 and 1953	
Head Taxes	70.78
Helen M. Lombard, Stamped Envelopes	18.16

George W. Knowles, Stamped Envelopes	18.38
Henry L. Stevens, Expenses	10.00
Russell S. Yeaton, Expenses	10.00
Brown & Saltmarsh, Supplies	37.94
Blanche Batchelder, Dinners	15.00
Town Clerk Ass'n Dues	2.00
Ass'n of N. H. Assessors Dues	3.00
N. H. Tax Collectors Dues	3.00
Evans Printing Co., Town Reports	379.58
Wheeler & Clark, Dog Tags	12.25
Sargent Bros., Supplies	22.35
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	\$1,197.10

Detail 3—Town Hall and Other Buildings

Concord Electric Co., Electricity	\$40.26
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Phone Service	80.67
Pembroke Water Works	22.00
H. R. Seldon, Stove Pipe	1.00
Roscoe G. Warren, Janitor Service	8.00
Robert E. Bartlett, Wood	17.00
John B. Yeaton, Sawing Wood	12.00
Arthur Locke, Piling Wood in Shed	9.00
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	\$189.93

Detail 4—Police Department

Charles J. Brock, Police Work and Collecting	
Dog Taxes	\$202.90
Clarence E. Bartlett, Taking Tramp to Concord	2.00
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	\$204.90

Detail 5—Fire Department

Pembroke Water Works, Hydrant Service	\$750.00
Roscoe G. Warren, Chief of Fire Dept.	1,250.00

A. H. Sullivan:

Fire on Rte. 28	24.40
Fire on Black Hall Road	10.00
3 Fires on River Road	189.00
2 Fires on Poor Town Road	101.40
Fire at Webster Park	34.00
Fire near Chichester Dept.	21.40
2 Fires at Town Dump	84.80
Town of:	
Ossipee, fire	170.20
Allenstown, fire	77.20
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	\$2,712.40
Detail 6— <i>White Pine Blister Rust</i>	
Treasurer State of N. H.	\$400.00
Detail 7— <i>Bounties</i>	
Hedgehogs	\$6.50
Detail 8— <i>Health Department</i>	
Concord Hospital	\$805.00
Detail 9— <i>Vital Statistics</i>	
Hazel P. Steele, Clerk	\$25.00
Detail 10— <i>Town Dump</i>	
Tasker Artesian Well Co., Bulldozing	\$24.00
Charles J. Brock, Labor	3.50
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	\$27.50
Detail 11— <i>Bush Cutting</i>	
John P. Yeaton, Road Agent, Dist. No. 1	\$275.00
Eldon W. Howard, Road Agent, Dist. No. 2	209.50
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	\$484.50

Detail 12—*Town Maintenance (Winter)*

John P. Yeaton, Road Agent, Dist. No. 1	\$890.44
Eldon W. Howard, Road Agent, Dist. No. 2	855.20
Huckins Garage; Gas, Oil and Repairs on Town Trucks	625.25
Demers & Steele Garage; Gas, Oil and Labor	236.74
Merrimack Farmer's Exchange, Salt	180.60
Cassellini-Venable Corp. of N. H., Repairs	97.72
Treasurer, State of N. H., Repairing Wing of Tractor	69.65
Helen M. Lombard, Gas, Oil and Supplies	46.47
R. C. Hazelton & Co., Inc., Repairs	75.30
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	\$3,077.37

Detail 13—*Special Tar Appropriation*

John P. Yeaton, for Dist. No. 1 and 2	\$2,036.03
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Detail 14—*Town Maintenance (Summer)*

John P. Yeaton, Road Agent, Dist. No. 1	\$2,651.27
Eldon W. Howard, Road Agent, Dist. No. 2	2,589.45
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	\$5,240.72

Detail 15—*State Aid Construction, T. R. A.*

Treasurer, State of N. H.	\$629.89
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Detail 16—*Libraries*

Florence L. Yeaton, Treasurer	\$250.00
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Detail 17—*Old Age Assistance*

Albert J. Yeaton, Overseer of Poor	\$3,256.26
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Detail 18—*Town Poor*

Albert J. Yeaton, Overseer of Poor	\$1,040.00
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Detail 19—*County Poor*

Albert J. Yeaton, Overseer of Poor	\$179.53
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Detail 20—*Memorial Day*

H. R. Seldon, Flags	\$21.00
George H. Yeaton, Speaker and Band	19.00
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	\$40.00

Detail 21—*Aid to Soldiers*

Albert J. Yeaton, Overseer of Poor	\$129.50
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Detail 22—*Webster Park*

Maurice A. Yeaton, Cleaning Webster Park	\$133.00
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Detail 23—*Cemeteries*

John W. Cox, Trustee, Painting Short Falls Cemetery	\$120.50
John W. Cox, Trustee, Expense of Short Falls and McClary Cemeteries	150.00
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	\$270.50

Detail 24—*Damage and Legal Expense*

Jackman and Lang, Insurance	\$279.75
Upton, Sanders & Upton, Legal Services, Water Work	50.00
Harry Silver, Insurance on Buildings and Truck	267.39
George W. Philbrick, Listing 5 Estates	.50
Henry L. Stevens, Insurance	448.90
Albert Barton, Flowage Rights	1.00
Katherine A. Crowley, Register of Deeds	29.60
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	\$1,077.14

Detail 25—*Taxes Bought by Town*

Edwin L. Bunker, Collector	\$625.17
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Detail 26—*Refunds*

Edwin L. Bunker, Collector	\$210.18
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Detail 27—*Abatements*

Edwin L. Bunker, Collector	\$346.17
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Detail 28—*New Equipment*

Ray Road Equipment Co., Supplies	\$38.74
John P. Yeaton, Blade for Truck	250.00
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	\$288.74

Detail 29—*Interest*

The Suncook Bank, Temp. and Long Term Notes	\$344.84
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Detail 30—*Temporary Loan*

The Suncook Bank	\$10,000.00
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Detail 31—*Long Term Notes*

The Suncook Bank	\$2,000.00
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Detail 32—*County Tax*

County Treasurer	\$3,286.40
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Detail 33—*Schools*

Amy K. Bartlett, Treasurer, School District Balance 1952 and 1953 Appropriations	\$19,575.83
1953 and 1954 Appropriations	20,000.00
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	\$39,575.83

Detail 34—*Head Taxes*

Treas., State of New Hampshire	\$2,959.94
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Total Payments	<hr/>
	\$83,925.04

REPORT OF JOHN P. YEATON
ROAD AGENT, DISTRICT NO. 1

WINTER WORK—1953

John P. Yeaton, Labor	\$194.00
Herbert D. Yeaton, Labor	171.00
Arthur Roby, Labor	115.00
Arthur Locke, Labor	11.20
Percy Nelson, Labor	6.00
Tasker Bros., Plowing	40.00
Tasker Bros., Loader	92.00
Tasker Bros., Truck	16.80
Robert Bartlett, Labor	28.50
Robert Bartlett, Truck Plowing	5.00
Samuel Bickford, Labor	9.00
John B. Yeaton, Labor	6.00
Charles Morrill, Labor	8.00
Herbert I. Yeaton, Labor	8.00
Roy Lyford, Labor	6.00
Albert F. Yeaton, Sand	19.00
Henry Stevens, Labor	32.50
Roscoe Warren, Labor & Supplies	20.00
Carroll Bailey, Truck	13.20
Town of Northwood, Truck	14.40
George Huckins, Lumber	35.84
Arthur Frost, Labor	7.00
Don Wheeler, Labor	10.00
Maurice Stevens, Labor	10.00
Albert Heidmann, Labor	10.00
Roland LaFleur, Labor	2.00
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	\$890.44

SUMMER WORK—1953

John P. Yeaton, Labor	\$690.00
Herbert D. Yeaton, Labor	352.00
Arthur Roby, Labor	223.00
George Howard, Labor	4.00
Floyd Carson, Man & Grader	276.00
Arthur Locke, Labor	18.50
Charles Morrill, Labor	35.00
Tasker Bros., Truck & Winch	10.00
Tasker Bros., Bulldozer	48.00
Hilaire Drolet, Gravel & Loading	42.50
Roscoe Warren, Labor & Supplies	23.90
Roy Lyford, Labor	20.00
Allan Barton, Labor	3.00
John Brown, Labor	8.00
William Smith, Labor	14.00
Bernard Smith, Labor	5.00
Albert Heidmann, Labor	30.00
Clyde Guptil, Loading Gravel	20.00
State of New Hampshire, Man & Grader	51.00
Savage Construction Co., Grader & Loader	408.00
Robert Bartlett, Truck	118.80
Samuel Bickford, Labor	9.00
Lymon Hammond, Truck	54.60
Fred Tuttle, Loader	84.00
Willis Rollins, Truck	54.60
Raymond Sanders, Gravel	21.00
Don Wheeler, Labor	10.00
Charles Wheeler, Labor	5.00
Knowles Store, Supplies	2.37
Albert Barton, Labor	10.00

 \$2,651.27

BUSH CUTTING—1953

David Yeaton, Labor	\$50.00
Bernard Smith, Labor	50.00
Herbert D. Yeaton, Labor	47.00
Arthur Roby, Labor	40.00
Maurice Yeaton, Mowing with tractor	60.00
Arthur Locke, Labor	28.00
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	\$275.00

TARRING—1953

John P. Yeaton, Labor	\$126.00
Robert Bartlett, Truck	16.50
Town of Northwood, Grader	24.00
Clyde Guptil, Labor	27.50
Herbert D. Yeaton, Labor	99.00
Arthur Roby, Labor	73.00
Robert Cutter, Labor	72.00
John Brown, Labor	9.00
Roland LaFleur, Labor	21.00
Albert F. Yeaton, Truck	5.00
Albert F. Yeaton, Sand	10.00
Albert F. Yeaton, Labor	5.00
Butterick Construction Co., Trucks	25.20
Butterick Construction Co., Loader	40.00
James Brown, Labor	9.00
Edwin L. Bunker, Labor	5.00
State of New Hampshire, Labor	173.76
State of New Hampshire, Tar	1,295.07
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	\$2,036.03

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN P. YEATON,

Road Agent

REPORT OF ELDON HOWARD
ROAD AGENT, DISTRICT NO. 2

January 1 to December 31, 1953

SNOW REMOVAL

Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, Salt	\$161.50
A. E. Mulaire, Welding	5.00
Four Corners Service Station, Battery	14.00
R. C. Hazelton, Parts	19.00
Joe Thompson Garage, Welding	80.00
Herbert D. Yeaton, Labor	9.00
Arthur Roby, Labor	3.00
Carroll Stevens, Labor	1.50
Walter Adamoviz, Labor	21.00
Hilaire Drolet, Truck	18.00
Albert Stevens, Truck	3.00
Robert Cutter, Tractor	15.00
Town of Pembroke, Plowing	85.00
Eldon Howard, Labor	135.00
George Stearns, Labor	39.00
Epsom Garage, Labor and material	29.20
Frank Hurd, Labor	22.00
Eldon Howard, Grader	108.00
Eldon Howard, Truck	75.00
Donald Wead, Labor	12.00
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	\$855.20

SUMMER MAINTENANCE

Eldon Howard, Labor	\$25.00
Eldon Howard, Truck	330.50
Eldon Howard, Grader	724.00
Hilaire Drolet, Truck	63.00
Hilaire Drolet, Loader	49.00
Hilaire Drolet, Gravel	25.00

George Stearns, Labor	92.50
Ernest Menard, Labor	68.00
James Osborne, Labor	70.00
Frank Hurd, Labor	84.00
Carroll Bailey, Truck	42.90
Herbert Benedict, Truck	42.90
Floyd Carson, Truck	76.20
Robert Bartlett, Truck	36.30
L. E. Savage, Truck	46.80
L. E. Savage, Shovel	126.00
Raymond Sanders, Gravel	33.30
State of N. H. Highway Department	438.82
Granite State Asphalt Products Co.	64.80
Helen Lombard, Supplies	3.73
George Huckins, Plank	35.00
Theodore Yeaton, Tractor	96.00
Roland LaFleur, Sr., Tractor	3.00
Roland LaFleur, Sr., Labor	1.00
George Stearns, Posts	11.70
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	\$2,589.45

BRUSH CUTTING

Eldon Howard, Tractor	\$129.00
Frank Hurd, Labor	36.00
Walter Adamoviz, Labor	21.50
James Osborne, Labor	23.00
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	\$209.50

Respectfully submitted,

ELDON W. HOWARD,

Road Agent

REPORT OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Receipts

Cash on hand January 1, 1953	\$230.73	
Interest	2.76	
Sale of Lots	24.00	
Trustees of Trust Funds	312.85	
Town Appropriation	270.50	
Cash received from Short Falls Cemetery Association	37.00	
	<hr/>	\$877.84

Expenditures

Care of Lots	\$138.35	
Mowing and Raking McClary Cemetery	97.00	
Mowing, Raking, Resetting Stones and Filling Graves in Short Falls Cemetery	86.00	
Painting Fence, Short Falls Cemetery	120.50	
Power Lawn Mower	130.00	
Painting Fence, McClary Cemetery	94.49	
	<hr/>	\$666.34
Balance on hand January 1, 1954		<hr/> \$211.50

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. COX,
CHARLES M. STEELE,
ROSCOE G. WARREN,

Trustees

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF EPSOM, N. H., ON DECEMBER 31, 1953

Date of Creation	Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation For Perpetual Care of Cemetery Lots	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Balance of Income on hand at beginning of year	Rate of Interest	Income during year	Expended during year	Balance of Income on hand at end of year
1903	John L. Brackett, by self	Merrimack City Sv. Bk.	\$50.00	\$5.37	3%	\$1.65	\$3.00	\$4.02
1903	S. M. Chesley, by self	Merrimack City Sv. Bk.	50.00	9.39	"	1.77	1.30	9.66
1903	J. A. Clough, by self	Merrimack City Sv. Bk.	50.00	2.99	"	1.56	1.50	2.15
1907	Mary A. Swain, by self	Merrimack City Sv. Bk.	50.00	1.51	"	1.52	1.51	1.52
1912	Susan E. P. Forbes, by self	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	53.05	3%+	7.19	26.00	34.24
1915	Abbie Hopkins, by self	N. H. Savings Bank	1,000.00	30.68	"	30.68	30.68	30.68
1915	William McMurphy, by self	N. H. Savings Bank	25.00	.94	3%	.75	.75	.94
1915	C. F. Griffin, by self	Merrimack City Sv. Bk.	50.00	7.68	"	1.71	0.00	9.39
1915	Mary B. L. Dowst, by self	Merrimack City Sv. Bk.	100.00	4.26	"	4.26	3.50	43.07
1915	Gen. B. L. Locke, by B. L. Locke	Merrimack City Sv. Bk.	50.00	1.00	"	1.53	1.25	1.28
1915	Morrill Hoyt, by Ebenezer Hoyt	Merrimack City Sv. Bk.	50.00	1.57	"	1.53	1.50	1.60
1917	Flora E. Burtham, by self	Merrimack City Sv. Bk.	50.00	.05	"	1.50	1.25	.30
1917	Horace Bickford, by self	Merrimack City Sv. Bk.	100.00	3.23	3%+	3.11	3.50	2.84
1917	Hiram Holmes, by self	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	37.36	"	4.03	8.50	32.89
1917	Henry Knox, by self	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	11.14	"	3.35	3.50	10.99
1917	Sarah N. Holmes, by self	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	15.30	"	3.49	4.00	14.79
1917	Mary A. Evans, by self	N. H. Savings Bank	400.00	74.40	"	13.88	31.25	57.03
1917	Walter Chesley, by self	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	4.70	"	1.64	1.30	4.84
1918	John T. Cotterell, by Clara A. Cotterell	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	3.07	"	3.07	3.07	3.07
1918	William Sanders, by Clara A. Cotterell	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	1.52	"	1.52	1.52	1.52
1920	Eliza J. Bickford, by self	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	3.67	"	3.13	3.00	3.80
1921	John M. Moses, by self	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	3.07	"	3.07	3.07	3.07
1921	Sophila S. Bulfinch, by self	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	.42	"	1.52	1.50	.44
1922	Daniel T. Gilley, by Annie L. Towle	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	3.11	"	1.60	1.50	3.21
1922	John and Salome Babb, by Annie L. Towle	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	13.48	"	1.91	1.50	13.89
1924	Hilton Goodhue, by Mrs. C. H. Kempton	N. H. Savings Bank	75.00	18.68	"	2.83	2.00	19.51

Date of Creation	Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation For Perpetual Care of Cemetery Lots	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Balance of Income on hand at beginning of year	Rate of Interest	Income during year	Expended during year	Balance of Income on hand at end of year
1926	John C. and Martha Hall, by Charles S. Hall	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	92.15	3%†	8.00	47.50	52.65
1926	Andrew and Daniel Hall, by Frank Hall and Benjamin Hall	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	18.64	"	3.57	3.00	19.21
1927	Dr. Roscoe Hill, by Flora J. Hill	Merrimack City Sv. Bk.	100.00	7.88	3%	3.21	3.00	8.09
1929	Ayer and Holmes, by John Yeaton and E. J. Sherburne	Merrimack City Sv. Bk.	200.00	43.91	"	6.99	18.00	32.90
1929	Warren Tripp, by self	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	32.34	3%†	7.39	13.50	46.23
1929	Katherine A. Cook, by self	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	11.68	"	3.37	2.50	12.35
1931	Lawrence and Cox, by Joseph Lawrence and Eva L. Cox	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	25.95	3%†	6.70	7.25	25.40
1933	Joseph Lawrence, by Joseph Lawrence	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	31.23	"	3.85	5.00	30.08
1934	William Babb, by Charles Babb	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	9.37	"	3.31	2.00	10.68
1935	Augusta A. Fisk, by self	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	6.14	"	6.14	6.14	6.14
1936	Daniel S. Jones, by George E. Miller	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	15.86	3%†	3.37	8.00	11.23
1937	Yeaton Fund, by Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Yeaton and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Yeaton	Merrimack City, Sv. Bk.	100.00	5.10	3%	3.15	3.00	5.25
1938	Joseph B. Cass and Geo. S. Bixby, by E. M. Bixby Estate	Merrimack City, Sv. Bk.	100.00	5.10	3%	3.15	3.00	5.25
1938	Unknown Soldier's Lot, by E. M. Bixby Estate	Merrimack City, Sv. Bk.	50.00	.34	"	1.50	1.60	.24
1941	Capt. Arthur C. Locke and Francis T. Locke, by Mary J. V. Towle	Merrimack City, Sv. Bk.	200.00	20.98	"	6.60	3.50	24.08
1942	Hilliard Fund, by Oscar A. Hilliard	Merrimack City, Sv. Bk.	200.00	22.86	"	6.46	14.00	15.32
1943	Frank L. Rand, by self	N. H. Savings Bank	400.00	12.27	3%†	12.27	12.27	12.27
1944	Clarence H. Sanborn, by Madeline L. Sanborn and Mabel M. Towle	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	2.43	"	3.08	2.50	3.01
1944	Walter J. and Mary E. Q. Philbrick, by Waldo H. Quimby	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	19.37	"	6.39	13.50	12.26

1944	Charles M. Steele, by Chas. M. and James M. Steele								
1945	George A. Long, by George A. Long Estate								
1945	Ella Sanders, by self								
1946	Frank C. Knowles, by Emma C. Holmes								
1948	Ernest L. Heath, by Ernest L. Heath Estate								
1948	Charles W. Leighton, by Ethel G. Davis								
1948	Nathan J. Goss, by Ethel G. Davis								
1951	Timothy B. Langley, by self								
1952	Daniel G. Chesley, by E. C. Nutter								
1952	George K. Sanborn, by E. C. Nutter								
1952	Capt. Samuel P. Cilley and Hannah P. Steele, by Charles M. Steele								
1953	E. B. Hoyt, Short Falls Cemetery								
1953	Annie M. Marden, Short Falls Cemetery								
1953	Warren Foss, Short Falls Cemetery								
1924	Mary A. Evans, Cemetery Fence Fund, by self								
Epsom Public Library Funds									
1907	Benjamin F. Webster, by self								
1916	Susan E. P. Forbes, by self								
1917	Mary A. Evans, by self								
1926	Charles S. Hall, by self								
1929	Warren Tripp, by self								
1946	Central School Bld'g. Fund, Appropriation and Donations								
1951	Central School Bld'g. Fund, Appropriation								
1953	Central School Bldg. Fund, Appropriation and Donation from P. T. A.								
		100.00	2.11	"	3.08	3.00	2.19		
	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	3.17	"	3.11	3.00	3.28		
	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	7.59	"	3.25	3.00	8.34		
	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	.36	"	3.02	3.00	.38		
	Merrimack Cty. Sv. Bk.	200.00	15.53	3%	6.36	12.00	9.89		
	Merrimack Cty. Sv. Bk.	100.00	3.04	"	3.05	3.04	3.05		
	Merrimack Cty. Sv. Bk.	100.00	3.04	"	3.05	3.04	3.05		
	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	5.61	3%†	6.20	5.00	6.81		
	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	4.52	"	6.17	2.50	8.19		
	N. H. Savings Bank	100.00	1.50	"	3.07	1.50	3.07		
	Suncook Bank	100.00	0.00	3%	1.50	1.50	0.00		
	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	9.60	3%†	1.79	2.50	8.89		
	N. H. Savings Bank	50.00	29.62	"	2.39	2.50	29.51		
	N. H. Savings Bank	200.00	73.36	"	8.32	2.50	81.36		
	N. H. Savings Bank	229.66	20.10	"	7.24	20.00	7.34		
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Bond									
	Merrimack Cty. Sv. Bk.	1,000.00	0.00	4%	40.00	40.00	0.00		
	N. H. Savings Bank	2,000.00	0.00	3%	60.00	60.00	0.00		
	N. H. Savings Bank	500.00	0.00	"	15.11	15.11	0.00		
	N. H. Savings Bank	2,000.00	0.00	"	6.05	6.05	0.00		
	N. H. Savings Bank	2,000.00	0.00	"	6.05	6.05	0.00		
	N. H. Savings Bank	3,421.31	393.96	3%†	127.40	0.00	521.36		
	Suncook Bank	3,050.00	17.50	3%	43.14	0.00	60.64		
	Suncook Bank								
		\$18,800.97	\$1,345.20		\$561.65	\$505.90	\$1,400.95		

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of Trustees of Trust Funds, find them correctly cast and supported by proper vouchers.

January 30, 1954

†Semi-Annual

RUSSELL S. YEATON,
HENRY L. STEVENS,
Auditors

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

We hereby certify that we have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Clerk, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Cemetery Trustees, Treasurer of Trustees of Trust Funds, Treasurer of Library Trustees, Overseer of the Poor, Chief of Police, Fire Chief, Forest Fire Warden, and Road Agents of the Town of Epsom, find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

RUSSELL S. YEATON,
HENRY L. STEVENS,

Epsom, N. H., Jan. 19, 1954

Auditors

EPSOM PUBLIC LIBRARY

Report of the Trustees

Your Trustees welcome this annual opportunity to remind our citizens that they are the owners of a fine Library building and an excellent selection of more than 6,000 volumes of the best literature.

Our excellent Librarian, Miss Marjorie Yeaton, is at the Library from 2 until 5 o'clock every Saturday afternoon to help you get the book in which you are interested; and you may borrow it quite free of charge for this is your Free Public Library. It belongs to you.

If we do not have the particular book you seek, Miss Yeaton has funds (limited, of course) with which to purchase new books that will add to the literary wealth of our book shelves. Consult her; she can help you.

Use and enjoy your Library.

HENRY DOWST
FLORENCE L. YEATON
RALPH E. TOWLE

Trustees

FINANCIAL STATEMENT, EPSOM
PUBLIC LIBRARY

Receipts

Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1952	\$342.76
Town of Epsom	250.00
	\$592.76

Expenditures

Librarian	\$90.00
Janitor	35.00
Concord Electric Co.	34.93
Books	146.00
Magazines	34.50
Gaylord	18.00
Grolier Company	2.11
Lawn	10.00
Oil	11.67
Supplies, etc.	6.07
	\$388.28
Balance on hand	204.48
	\$592.76

Library Endowment Funds

Mary A. Evans Fund	\$500.00
Benjamin Webster Fund	1,000.00
Susan E. P. Forbes Fund	2,000.00
Charles Sumner Hall Fund	200.00
Warren Tripp Fund	200.00
	\$3,900.00

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

To the Board of Trustees of the Epsom Public Library:

The Librarian submits the following report:

Total number of accessioned volumes, December 31, 1952	6,444
Books purchased during the year	66
Gifts	32
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Total number of accessioned volumes, De- cember 31, 1953	6,542

Circulation figures for 1953:

Adult fiction	815
Juvenile fiction	412
Adult non-fiction	225
Juvenile non-fiction	109
Periodicals	174
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	1,735

Books borrowed during 1953 from the State
Library:

Adult fiction	66
Juvenile fiction	68
Adult non-fiction	123
Juvenile non-fiction	20
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	277

Cash Account

Receipts:

Cash on hand, December 31, 1952	\$1.45
Fines	3.36
Sale of old books	1.00
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	\$5.81

Payments:

Rubber date stamp	.75
Government Printing Office, Book	.75
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	\$1.50
Balance on hand, December 31, 1953	4.31
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	\$5.81

Respectfully submitted,

MARJORIE A. YEATON,

Librarian

REPORT OF EPSOM VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

For the year ending December 31, 1953

Following is submitted the annual report of the Epsom Volunteer Fire Department.

Total number of calls of all kinds — 58

With — 5 bad building fires

8 — chimney fires

3 — electrical fires

3 — oil fires

3 — car fires

12 — woods fires

4 — grass fires

2 — dump fires

2 — false alarms

4 — investigations.

There were 12 regular and one special, well attended meetings held.

The June meeting was held at the Ralph E. Towle Farm, through his kind invitation.

The November meeting at I.O.O.F. Hall had its usual success, with several visitors present, including the State Fire Marshal, Aubrey Robinson.

The Dept. has purchased from their own funds a portable pump at a cost of approximately \$400.00. A semi-automatic alarm board, to blow alarms and code signals, is being constructed at practically no cost to the taxpayers. All the labor and nearly all the material being donated.

We have added to the Dept., Wet Water, Foam, Fog Nozzles, Foam Nozzles, Chimney Brushes, Extinguishers

and 200 feet of hose, all things we did not have one year ago.

We, the members of the Dept., feel that we are doing everything possible to keep abreast of the times, by working together in the care and maintenance of the equipment, using what we have to the best advantage, thereby making it last.

From a rough survey of the town, there appears to be, since the Dept. started in 1933 (20 years), an additional 90 to 100 new homes. They are places 12 ft. square or more, occupied by families; including summer cottages, etc. An estimated 13 new businesses, some 15 overnight cabins and an estimated 31 places which have made additions and improvements costing \$2,000 and over, such as hen houses, etc. There have been 2 barns burned down and four new and better barns built. There have been 16 bad fires with 11 of them being restored as good or better than before.

There is an ever increasing number of electrical appliances, bottled gas tanks, bulk storage of inflammable liquids and a continuous stream of tank trucks on the highway, etc. All this increase in progress is an added responsibility of the Fire Dept.

There has been spent for improvements over and above regular maintenance during this 20 years:

New 500 gallon pumper	\$3,700.00
Used tank truck (some of this donated)	700.00
Hose	500.00
Gate Valve	47.00
Nozzles	50.00
Eastman Co., fittings	20.00
Special equipment, lights, etc.	50.00

\$5,067.00

Approximately: \$253.35 per year.

We are far behind in the progress heretofore mentioned in many ways. But due to the help received from members and townspeople, I feel we are doing as well as the average.

As Chief of the Dept. I want to take this opportunity to thank the members of the Dept., the Town Officials and the Townspeople for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

R. G. WARREN

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

1953

Receipts

Cash on hand	\$15.16
Gas Tax Rebate	3.95
Received from Town	1,250.00
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	\$1,269.11

Expenditures

Coal	\$156.12
Insurance	103.50
New Equipment—Hose, Double Connectors, Y's, Nozzles and Extinguishers	363.00
Repair parts for pumps and trucks	15.28
Repairs on trucks	96.32
Gas, Oil, Grease and Anti-Freeze	46.32
Batteries in trucks	59.00
Tires on trucks No. 2 and 3	217.68

Miscellaneous

Light Batteries, Chemicals, Extinguisher Fillers, Parts for same, Rope and Paint	71.03
R. G. Warren, Material Repairs and Janitor Work	100.01
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	\$1,228.26

Cash on hand	\$40.85
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FOREST FIRE WARDEN REPORT — 1953

Apr. 22, Investigating fires, material and setting signs. Training session at Concord	\$24.24
Apr. 23, Fire, Poor Town Road	11.60
Apr. 23, Fire, Pembroke	43.60
June 3, Fire, Black Hall Road	10.00
June 10, Fire, Town Dump	47.20
June 19, Fire, River Road	22.80
June 28, Fire, Ossipee	170.20
June 29, Fire, White House Road	21.96
July 3, Fire, Webster Park	34.00
July 8, Fire, South of Chichester Depot	21.40
July 30, Fire, River Road	114.80
July 31, Fire, Town Dump	37.60
Oct. 4, Fire, Allenstown	77.20
Oct. 19, Fire, River Road	51.40
Oct. 20, Fire, Route 28	24.40
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	\$713.20
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Received from Town of Epsom	\$713.20

ARTHUR H. SULLIVAN,
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN

People Play a Vital Part in Our Forest Fire Problems

A review of the 1953 fire season proves the vital part people play in the never ending battle to prevent forest fires.

In this fire district there were 133 fires in 26 of the district's 30 towns; 409 acres were burned over and it cost \$9,499.97 to extinguish them. This figure was reduced somewhat through payment of fire costs by persons responsible for illegal fires, fires which escaped from control and fires caused by their carelessness. Costs were abnormally high this year due to protracted periods of dry weather which increased the difficulty of extinguishing fires.

Eighty-eight percent of the 133 fires were man-caused and could have been prevented. They tell a story which needs to be carefully studied. Some people were careless in disposing of smoking material and camp fires; others burned without the required warden permit — disregarding weather, forest conditions and the normal safeguards recognized and considered by the warden in issuing permits. Other fires resulted from children playing with matches, carelessly handled fireworks, faulty railroad and truck equipment, etc.

These fires cost a lot to extinguish, most of which could have been avoided — this affects taxes; local business was interrupted by men leaving their jobs to extinguish the fires; trees that might otherwise have built houses, repaired bridges and supplied raw materials for local industries were destroyed; seedling growth — the future timber crop was wiped out.

This picture can, however, be reversed if people who offend could be impressed with the importance of

observing the simple but essential common sense safeguards that will prevent forest fires. They are:

1. Care in disposing of lighted cigars, cigarettes and matches in and near woodlands.
2. Care in selecting camp fire sites and completely extinguishing them.
3. Consultation with the local forest fire warden before burning to secure the required permit.

People play a vital part in our forest fire problem. It is EVERYONE'S job to HELP PREVENT FOREST FIRES.

1953 LOCAL FIRE RECORD

Number of Fires — 10

Acreage Burned — 63½

No. Fire Permits Issued — 44

THOMAS J. KING,
District Fire Chief

ARTHUR H. SULLIVAN,
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF ALBERT J. YEATON
OVERSEER OF THE POOR, EPSOM, N. H.

Town Poor 1953

No. of families receiving aid — 1	
No. Persons receiving aid — 3	
Received from the Town of Epsom	\$1,040.00
Paid for Town Poor	1,002.52
	\$17.48
Remaining in my hands on Dec. 31, 1953	\$17.48

Aid Furnished to Soldiers and their Families

No. of Families receiving aid — 2	
No. of Persons receiving aid — 6	
Received from the Town of Epsom	\$129.50
Paid for aid to Soldiers and their Families	129.50

Merrimack County Relief Cases from
January 1, 1953 to Dec. 31, 1953

No. of cases — 1	
Balance on hand January 1, 1953	\$7.31
Received from Town of Epsom	179.53
	\$186.84
Paid out for County Relief	\$186.84

<i>Old Age Assistance</i>	<i>Cases</i>	<i>Amount of Grant</i>	<i>Town's Share</i>
Nov. Bill, 1952	14	\$986.80	\$246.70
Dec. Bill, 1952	13	1,123.86	280.97
Jan. Bill, 1953	13	982.00	245.50
Feb. Bill, 1953	13	982.00	245.50
Mar. Bill, 1953	13	982.00	245.50
April Bill, 1953	13	963.25	240.81
May Bill, 1953	11	991.75	247.94
June Bill, 1953	13	893.50	223.38
July Bill, 1953	12	938.59	234.65
Aug. Bill, 1953	12	1,166.50	291.63
Sept. Bill, 1953	12	960.00	240.00
Oct. Bill, 1953	12	1,068.72	267.18
Nov. Bill, 1953	12	986.00	246.50
			\$3,256.26
Received from Town of Epsom, N. H.			\$3,256.26
Paid the State of New Hampshire			\$3,256.26

The December bill did not arrive in time to be paid in 1953 and will have to be paid in 1954.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT J. YEATON,

SCHOOL WARRANT

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School district of the town of Epsom, N. H. qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 6th day of March 1954, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing year.
4. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
5. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.
6. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the district.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.
8. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
9. To see what sum of money the district will vote to appropriate for the support of public schools and the payment of statutory obligations of the district for the ensuing year.
10. To see what sum of money the district will vote to raise and appropriate for new equipment.

11. To see if the district will vote to construct and equip a new Central School for the Epsom School District and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$67,500.00 for this purpose, \$7,500 of which shall be appropriated from the capital reserve fund established for this purpose and \$60,000 of said amount shall be raised by issuing bonds or serial notes.

12. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands at said Epsom this 15th day of February 1954.

HENRY DOWST, JR.,
RUSSELL S. YEATON,
HELEN H. HURD,

School Board

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

HENRY DOWST, JR.,
RUSSELL S. YEATON,
HELEN H. HURD,

School Board

Budget of the School District of

EXPENDITURES ITEM	Adopted Budget 1952-53	Actual Expenditures 1952-53	Adopted Budget 1953-54	School Board's Budget 1954-55	Budget Com- mittee's Budget 1954-55
<i>Administration</i>					
Salaries of district officers	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$210.00	\$210.00	\$210.00
Supt.'s salary (local share)	318.42	275.40	391.16	275.15	275.15
Tax for state wide supervision	282.00	284.00	286.00	272.00	272.00
Salaries of other administrative per- sonnel	121.41	121.00	190.65	173.90	173.90
Supplies and expenses	125.00	100.04	125.00	175.00	175.00
<i>Instruction</i>					
Elementary teachers' salaries	9,970.00	10,000.58	10,498.00	10,979.00	10,979.00
Books and other instruction aids, elem.	275.00	324.98	275.00	300.00	300.00
Scholars' supplies, elementary	325.00	364.20	350.00	375.00	375.00
Supplies and other expenses, elem.	150.00	119.14	150.00	125.00	125.00
<i>Operation of School Plant</i>					
Salaries of janitors, elementary	425.00	463.75	445.00	580.00	580.00
Fuel or heat, elementary	500.00	474.21	500.00	550.00	550.00
Water, light, supplies and exp., elem.	225.00	252.67	225.00	250.00	250.00
<i>Maintenance of School Plant</i>					
Repairs and replacements, elem.	1,000.00	387.22	900.00	100.00	500.00
<i>Auxiliary Activities</i>					
Health supervision, elementary	285.00	274.84	290.00	290.00	290.00
Transportation, elementary	5,485.00	5,639.77	6,000.00	6,250.00	6,250.00
Tuition, high school	9,250.00	8,044.50	7,985.00	8,575.00	8,575.00
Tuition, elementary	1,080.00	1,122.08	1,355.00	1,245.00	1,245.00
Spec. activities and spec. funds, elem.	50.00	74.98	50.00	75.00	75.00
School lunch, elementary	400.00	715.96	500.00	500.00	500.00
<i>Fixed Charges</i>					
Retirement, elementary	609.00	625.30	681.63	781.92	781.92
Insurance, treas. bonds & expenses, elementary	100.00	99.60	100.00	100.00	100.00
<i>Contingency Fund</i>					
	500.00	.....	500.00	500.00	500.00
TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSES	\$31,675.83	\$29,964.22	\$32,007.44	\$32,681.97	\$33,081.97
<i>Capital Outlay</i>					
Lands and new bldgs., elementary .....	.....	.....	.....	66,500.00	67,500.00
New equipment elementary	1,300.00	867.13	100.00	750.00	750.00
Payments into Capital Reserve Fund	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	.....	.....
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$2,300.00	\$1,867.13	\$1,100.00	\$67,250.00	\$68,250.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATION VOTED BY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$33,975.83	\$31,831.35	\$33,107.44	\$99,931.97	\$101,331.97

*Current assets minus current liabilities as of June 30, 1952 for Column 1; June 30, 1953 for Column 2 and 3; June 30, 1954 for Column 4 (and 5).

†Total Appropriations actually voted by School District Meeting to be raised by Taxation, cannot exceed by more than ten per cent (10%) the Total Appropriations as recommended by Budget Committee.

Epsom, New Hampshire — 1954-55

RECEIPTS ITEM	Adopted Budget 1952-53	Actual Expendi- tures 1952-53	Adopted Budget 1953-54	School Board's Budget 1954-55	Budget Com- mittee's Budget 1954-55
*Balance (actual or estimated)	\$2,400.00	\$2,513.80	2,280.00	380.57	380.57
State Aid	2,000.00	1,701.29	1,683.45	1,683.45	1,683.45
Other . . . . .	.....	4.50	.....	.....	.....
<i>Total Receipts Other Than Prop. Taxes</i>	\$4,400.00	\$4,535.55	\$3,963.45	\$2,064.02	\$2,064.02
Dist. Assessment to be Raised by Prop. Tax	\$29,575.83	.....	\$29,143.99	\$31,367.95	\$32,767.95
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS VOTED BY SCHOOL DISTRICT	\$33,975.83	.....	\$33,107.44	\$99,931.97	\$101,331.97
Special Appropriations to be Financed by Bond Issues, Serial Notes or Capital Reserve Funds For				\$66,500.00	\$67,500.00

ROBERT E. CUTTER, Chm.
 JAMES E. STEELE, Sec'y
 WILLIAM B. ARTZ
 HOWARD SATURLEY
 HERBERT SELDON
 FRANK E. HURD

ROBERT WHITAKER
 CLIFFORD M. OSBORNE
 CHARLES MORRELL
 HENRY DOWST, JR.
 FORREST BUMFORD
Budget Committee

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1953

Received as per Treasurer's Report	\$34,111.38
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Payments

Salary of District Officers	\$200.00
Superintendent's excess salary	324.00
Truant Officer and School Census	121.00
Expense of Administration	51.44
Teachers' Salaries	10,000.61
Textbooks	324.98
Scholar's Supplies	364.20
Other Expenses of Instruction	119.14
Janitor Service	463.75
Fuel	474.21
Water, lights and janitor supplies	252.67
Minor repairs and expenses	387.22
Medical Inspection	274.84
Transportation of Pupils	5,639.77
High School and Academy Tuition	8,044.50
Elementary Tuition	1,122.08
Special Activities including school lunch	790.94
Tax for Statewide supervision	284.00
Insurance and other fixed charges	724.90
New Equipment	867.13
Trustees of Trust Funds, Capital Reserve	1,000.00

Total Payments	\$31,831.38
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Balance on hand, June 30, 1953	\$2,280.00
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Payments in Detail

Salary of District Officers

Russell S. Yeaton, School Board Ch'm	\$75.00
Henry Dowst, Jr., School Board	45.00
Dorothy R. Osborne, School Board	45.00
Amy K. Bartlett, Treasurer	35.00
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	\$200.00

Superintendent's Excess Salary

Everett B. Sackett, Treasurer, Union No. 44	\$324.00
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Truant Officer and School Census

Everett B. Sackett, Treas., Salary of Supt's Sec'y	\$81.00
Jesse A. Hunt, Truant Officer	40.00
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	\$121.00

Expenses of Administration

Everett B. Sackett, Treas., Union Expense	\$32.80
Gossville General Store, Union Expense	2.67
Dorothy R. Osborne, Union Expense, Paid Out	3.14
Edson C. Eastman Co., 500 Envelopes	2.40
Amy K. Bartlett, Treas., Postage	8.13
J. L. Hammett Co., Supplies	2.30
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	\$51.44

Teachers' Salaries

Louis R. Huggins	\$2,600.00
Ethel F. Murch	2,300.00
Una C. Dearborn	2,292.00
Pearl J. McCoy	2,400.00
Salvatore A. Viggiano	325.00
Katherine Knight	8.00
Ann Yeaton	48.00
Evelyn Price	10.00
Adonia Douillette, Retirement	17.61
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	\$10,000.61

Textbooks

Arlo Publishing Co.	\$19.07
McCormick-Mathers Pub. Co.	13.83
Lyons & Carnahan	18.80
Silver-Burdett Co.	33.76
Ginn & Co.	67.57
World Book Co.	32.77
Civic Publications	1.40
The MacMillan Co.	42.18
Scott Foresman & Co.	5.38
Barnes & Noble, Inc.	4.75
Laidlaw Bros.	38.88
Allyn & Bacon, Inc.	5.73
Rand, McNally Co.	2.04
Rowe Company	31.32
C. S. Hammond & Co.	7.50

 \$324.98

Scholars' Supplies

E. M. Hale & Company	\$11.70
Scott, Foresman & Co.	39.42
Ginn & Company	13.05
Charles E. Merrill & Co.	8.32
American Education Press	25.20
Barnes & Noble, Inc.	2.37
C. W. Doe, Supplies paid out	1.38
The MacMillan Co.	74.71
Milton Bradley Co.	153.26
J. L. Hammett Co.	26.92
Silver Burdett Co.	3.99
McCormick Mathers Co.	3.88

 \$364.20

Other Expenses of Instruction

Milton-Bradley Co.	\$24.59
J. L. Hammett Co.	19.42
News Map of the Week, Inc.	16.50

World Book Co.	20.75
Rice Film Co.	5.38
F. A. Owen Co.	10.00
Knoll Crest Gardens	3.50
Evans Printing Co.	19.00
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	\$119.14
Janitor Service	
Louis R. Huggins	\$100.00
John Fulton	18.75
Helen Ambrose	120.00
Ralph Gauthier	225.00
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	\$463.75
Fuel	
John B. Yeaton, 5 cords wood	\$90.00
Merrimack Farmers' Exchange, coal	28.66
Robert E. Cutter, wood	60.00
Huckins Oil Co.	295.55
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	\$474.21
Water, Light and Janitor Supplies	
Waxine Co.	\$18.12
Pembroke Water Works	56.00
Gossville General Store	12.76
C. A. King Co.	50.94
Milton-Bradley Co.	8.00
Palmer Hardware	2.44
Concord Electric Co.	104.41
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	\$252.67
Minor Repairs and Expenses	
Karl F. Rand	\$106.00
Louis R. Huggins	129.00
Helen Ambrose	38.85
Edwin L. Bunker	6.00
A. J. Yeaton	8.00

Merrimack Farmers' Exchange	63.10
Concord Lumber Co.	4.20
C. W. Doe	3.89
Dorothy R. Osborne	1.00
H. S. Bickford	2.00
MAI Co., Boston, Audiometer Repair	7.19
Century Plumbing Co.	6.00
J. Albert Girard	6.00
Gossville General Store	5.99
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	\$387.22
Medical Inspection	
Adonia A. Douillette	\$252.60
Fitch-Murray	8.86
Everett B. Sackett, Treas., Audiometer	13.38
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	\$274.84
Transportation of Pupils	
Jesse A. Hunt	\$2,699.77
Charles A. Johnson	2,540.00
Samuel W. Marston	400.00
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	\$5,639.77
High School and Academy Tuition	
Pembroke Academy	\$5,922.50
Union School District of Concord	290.00
Coe-Brown Northwood Academy	822.00
City of Manchester	275.00
Pittsfield School District	735.00
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	\$8,044.50
Elementary Tuition	
Pittsfield School District	\$1,015.00
Northwood School District	107.08
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	\$1,122.08

Special Activities, including School Lunch	
Dorothy R. Osborne, Agent:	
School Lunch, Dist. Approp.	\$400.00
Dorothy R. Osborne, Agent:	
State Reimbursement, School Lunch	315.96
Lynch's Sports Equipment	17.46
C. W. Doe, Expense Paid	5.87
N. H. School Board Association	3.00
A. H. Rice Co., Film Strips	48.65
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	\$790.94
Fixed Charges	
State Treasurer, per capita tax	\$284.00
Jackman & Lang, Treasurer's Bond	10.00
Frederick Timm, Treasurer, District's Share	
Superintendent's Retirement	21.33
Henry L. Stevens, Insurance	89.60
N. H. State Teacher's Retirement System	603.97
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	\$1,008.90
New Equipment	
Paris Mfg. Co.	\$451.93
Milton Bradley Co.	16.60
F. E. Compton & Co.	111.84
Strafford School District	11.00
Morse Furniture Co.	190.96
Wilkins Gas & Electric Co.	5.45
J. L. Hammett Co.	79.35
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	\$867.13
Trustees of Trust Funds, District	
Appropriation	\$1,000.00
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Total Payments	\$31,831.38

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY DOWST, JR.

HELEN H. HURD

RUSSELL S. YEATON

REPORT OF TREASURER OF SCHOOL
DISTRICT

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1953

Cash on hand July 1, 1952	\$2,513.80
Received from Town Treasurer	\$29,575.83
Received from State Treasurer (State Aid)	1,701.29
Received from State Treasurer (Reimbursement on School lunch Program)	315.96
Miscellaneous sales	4.50
	31,597.58
Total amount available	\$34,111.38
Less School Orders Paid	31,831.38
	\$2,280.00

Respectfully submitted,

AMY K. BARTLETT,
District Treasurer

AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the Treasurer of the School District and School Board of Epsom, of which the foregoing is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1953, and find them correct in all respects.

MADELEINE E. YEATON,

Aug. 14, 1953

Auditor

ANNUAL SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE REPORT
1952-1953

Total number of pupils examined 106

	<i>No.</i>	<i>Number of Pupils Seen or Treated By Family Physician</i>
<i>Defects</i>	<i>Cases</i>	
Heart	2	2
Vision	7	10
Hearing	1	1
Skin	2	2
Posture	6	
Speech	2	
Teeth	81	43
Tonsils	2	4

Vision Tests	106
Hearing Tests	90
Inspections	21
Heights	106
Weights	106
First Aid	18
Pediculosis	4
Impetigo	2

<i>Clinics and Special Referrals</i>	<i>No. Examined</i>	<i>No. Treated</i>
Dental	14	14
Mental Hygiene	1	
Pre-School	8	
Well Child Conference	14	14
Fluorine	66	66

Respectfully submitted,
ADONIA DOUILLETTE, R.N.,
School Nurse

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Epsom:

The organization of Epsom schools this fall was as follows:

School	Grade	Teacher	Pupils
Gossville	I-II	Miss Una G. Dearborn	26
Gossville	II-III	Mrs. C. Ethel F. Murch	26
Center	IV-V	Miss Pearl V. McCoy	20
Short Falls	VI-VIII	Mr. Robert T. Andrews	28
Total			100

Following is a table showing the grade enrollment for the current year and the next five years, based on present school census figures and not counting repeaters:

	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Total
1953-54	17	25	10	13	7	11	9	8	100
1954-55	19	17	25	10	13	7	11	9	111
1955-56	17	19	17	25	10	13	7	11	119
1956-57	18	17	19	17	25	10	13	7	126
1957-58	23	18	17	19	17	25	10	13	142
1958-59	16	23	18	17	19	17	25	10	145
	28	29		26	27		35		

Above is one possible arrangement for five classrooms in 1958-59. Five classrooms could well be used from 1954 on, and would certainly be needed in 1957.

A new building of 4 classrooms and a general purpose room with size of 2 classrooms and the unpartitioned corridor, with a smaller room for the use of the nurse and other administrative purposes, together with toilet facilities, lunch kitchen, and rooms for storage and for heating equipment, would be none too large for 4 classrooms of pupils. On the other hand, by using the general purpose room, a fifth classroom could be provided for, or even a sixth (by adding temporary or permanent partitions). On the district's equalized valuation, 5% could be appropriated without exceeding the debt limit, and up to 8% on recommenda-

tion of the Board of Investigation set up by N. H. Laws of 1953, Chapter 9.

Among the advantages of such a building would be better staff organization, possibly with a teaching principal, and better facilities, including automatic heat regulation, running hot and cold water, modern plumbing, more adequate working space in the classroom, better arrangements for preparing and serving the school lunch, better lighting, and increased use by the community. Classrooms should have a minimum of 850 square feet of floor space. Many other school building features are regulated by special standards. Many schools have direct exits from the classrooms to the outside. Some have sinks and drinking fountains within the classrooms, with toilet rooms entered directly from the classroom. Such arrangements make for safety and good order. Much excellent material on school planning, financing, and construction, is contained in a small book, "Guide for Planning the Construction of School Buildings," published by the State Department of Education. The general purpose room could be used for a lunchroom, supervised play, assemblies, dramatics and visual education, and community gatherings, and when necessary for classroom purposes.

Many community groups have been active on this project during the year, including the P.T.A. and the district Planning Committee. Meetings for consideration of the subject, including one addressed by Mr. Paul E. Farnum, Director of Administration for the state department of education, have been very well attended by citizens. Considerable sentiment urging immediate action has been expressed. Several school buildings have been visited. The school board of Nottingham has been helpful in consultation.

One alternative to a new building in Epsom would be to join one or more neighboring districts in a "co-operative district" with a centralized school in Epsom

or a near-by town. In a similar manner, Lee is about to become a part of Oyster River Cooperative District. Replacing Lee, the school district of Milton is about to be added to Supervisory Union No. 44.

New teachers this year are Mr. Frederick A. Johnson, Boston University College of Music, B. Mus. '51 replacing Mr. Viggiano as music supervisor, and Mr. Robert T. Andrews of Pittsfield, Montclair, N. J. Teachers College, A. B. '33, succeeding Mr. Huggins.

Tuition pupils, current year, attending outside:

Coe-Brown Northwood Academy: IX Joyce Stack, Paul Thiem, Etta Yeaton, Joyce Yeaton; X Richard Sawyer; XI Beverly Thiem.

Concord High School: X Shirley Quimby.

Manchester West: XI Ronald A. Briggs.

Northwood Ridge: IV Mildred Garnet.

Pembroke Academy: IX Gwendolyn Brock, Dennis Clark, Deborah Taft; X Nancy Ambrose, Francis Girard, Auton Hall, Marjorie Howard, Walter Mack, Irma Stevens, Roger Witham; XI Eleanor Cass, June Dennis, Edward Elliott; XII John Brown, David Cass, Laura Downing, Wayne LaFleur, Marilyn MacKay, Virginia Sheldon, Ivan Stevens, Shirley Witham, David Yeaton.

Honor Roll of Perfect Attendance for One Year

Charles Corliss, Margery Davis, Eugene Gauthier, Nancy Bergstrom, Kenneth Brown, Russell Downing.

EPSOM SCHOOL STATISTICS 1952-53

Different pupils registered in this district	110
Not previously registered elsewhere: Boys	51
Girls	44
Aggregate attendance in half-days	32,670
Half-days schools were in session	356
Per-cent of attendance	92.7
Average daily attendance	91.8
Average daily absence	7.2
Average daily membership	99.0

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER W. DOE,

Superintendent of Schools

January 11, 1954

SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1954-1955

Tues., Sept. 7—Tues., Dec. 21	77 days
Mon., Jan. 3—Fri., Feb. 18	35 days
Mon., Feb. 28—Fri., Apr. 22	40 days
Mon., May 2—Fri., June 17	35 days
Total	<u>187 days</u>

Schools to be in session (less institutes) 180 days

October Teachers' Convention.

November 25 and 26, Thanksgiving recess.
(Short Day, Wed., Nov. 24)

Monday, May 30, Memorial Day.

Four other days for emergencies (or shorten the year
in June)

Short Day, November 11 Armistice Day.
(Exercises in the schools).

GRADUATION EXERCISES
EPSOM GRAMMAR SCHOOL

I. O. O. F. HALL, SHORT FALLS, NEW HAMPSHIRE

June 8, 1953

8:00 P.M.

PROGRAM

<i>Processional</i>	The Graduation Class
<i>The Invocation</i>	Rev. Alfred Luce
<i>Hymn: "To God on High" by Mendelssohn</i>	The School
<i>Salutatory</i>	Deborah Taft
<i>Poem: "Recessional" by R. Kipling</i>	Paul Thiem
<i>Music: "Finlandia" by Sibelius</i>	
<i>"Land of Our Hearts" by Chadwick</i>	The School
<i>Saxophone Solo</i>	Douglas Osborne
<i>Play: "The Princess Tonedeffia"</i>	The School
<i>Poem: "What is Good" by J. B. O'Reilly</i>	Dennis Clark
<i>Class History</i>	Gwendolyn Brock
<i>Class Will</i>	Douglas Osborne
<i>Music: "The Heavens Resounding"</i>	
<i>by Beethoven</i>	The School
<i>Class Gifts</i>	Joyce Yeaton
<i>Class Prophecy</i>	Joyce Stack
<i>Class Song</i>	The Graduation Class
<i>Valedictory</i>	Joyce Yeaton
<i>Presentation of Diplomas</i>	Supt. Chester W. Doe
<i>Recessional</i>	The Graduation Class

"The Princess Tonedeffia"

C A S T

<i>Prologue</i>	Deborah Taft
<i>Princess Tonedeffia</i>	Joyce Yeaton
<i>First Lady</i>	Gwendolyn Brock
<i>Second Lady</i>	Louisa Barton
<i>Third Lady</i>	Joyce Stack
<i>Chief</i>	Dennis Clark
<i>First Guard</i>	Paul Thiem
<i>Perri</i>	Douglas Osborne

And: Three ladies in waiting, five guards.

EPSOM EIGHTH GRADE — 1953

Gwendolyn Ruth Brock	Joyce Marion Stack
Dennis Elliott Clark	Deborah Taft
Douglas Lee Osborne	Paul Francis Thiem
Joyce Arlene Yeaton	

CLASS OFFICERS

<i>Class President</i>	Joyce Yeaton
<i>Class Secretary</i>	Deborah Taft
<i>Class Treasurer</i>	Douglas Osborne
<i>Class Motto</i>	“Out of the Harbor into deep Channels”
<i>Class Colors</i>	Blue and White
<i>Class Flower</i>	Rose
<i>Class Marshal</i>	Robert Hunt

SCHOOL OFFICERS

<i>Teacher</i>	Louis R. Huggins
<i>Superintendent</i>	Chester W. Doe
<i>School Board</i>	Henry Dowst, Jr.
	Dorothy R. Osborne
	Russell S. Yeaton

NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE BOARD OF
EDUCATION
CONCORD

End of Program Report to Superintendent of Schools

The summary below covers the receipts, expenditures, and balances of the School Lunch Program at Epsom for the fiscal year 1952-53.

Cash on hand July 1, 1952	\$136.35
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Receipts

Lunch sales, Children	\$768.88
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Lunch sales, Adults	44.76
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	\$813.64
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Receipt of reimbursement	315.96
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District appropriations	400.00
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Misc. Cash Contributions	105.00
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Total Receipts	1,634.60
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Available Total	\$1,770.95
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Expenditures

Food	\$1,034.64
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Labor	584.00
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Equipment	4.93
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All Other	41.63
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Total Expenditures	\$1,665.20
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Actual Cash Balance as of June 30, 1953	\$105.75
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Estimated value of food on hand as of June 30, 1953	\$10.00
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I certify that the above information is true and correct; that the cash balance has been determined by actual count and/or verification of the checkbook balance; and that invoices and other pertinent records as required are on file to substantiate the School Lunch Program transactions.

June 30, 1953

DOROTHY OSBORNE, *Agent*

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Registered in the Town of Epsom, for the Year Ending December 31, 1953

Date of Birth	Place of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Sex	Living or Skill'n		N. of Child	Color	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Color	Residence Parents	Occupation of Father	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
				M	F									
1953														
Feb. 20	Concord	William E. Bartlett	M	L	2	W	Robert E. Bartlett	Myrna M. Hemcon	Epsom	Trucking	Concord	Oakland, Calif.		
Mar. 17	Concord	Ralph David Gauthier	M	L	10	W	Clyde H. Gauthier	Frances L. Ambrose	Epsom	Lumberman	Haverhill	Epsom		
Apr. 21	Concord	Russell J. Bartlett	M	L	2	W	W. Carroll F. Bartlett	Kelthope L. Lappas	Epsom	Farris Man	Epsom	Manchester		
May 23	Concord	Linda Jean Hurd	F	L	3	W	Gregory M. Hurd	Helen H. Hostetter	Epsom	Technician	Newport	Lancaster Co., Pa.		
May 26	Concord	Lisa S. Dillingham	F	L	2	W	John B. Dillingham	Dulcie M. Stuart	Epsom	Advertising	Torrington, Conn.	Boston, Mass.		
May 16	Concord	Karen E. Wead	F	L	3	W	Donald S. Wead	Evelyn M. Kimball	Epsom	Carpenter	Hubbardston, Ms.	Concord		
June 16	Concord	Janet J. Coffran	F	L	2	W	Philip P. Coffran	Claire Jaquith	Epsom	Sign Supervisor	Concord	Brockton, Mass.		
June 23	Concord	Scott E. Pilsbury	M	L	4	W	Sherman E. Pilsbury	Lois K. Munroe	Epsom	Farmer	Concord	Epsom		
July 11	Concord	John M. Longson	M	L	4	W	Everett N. Longson	Marguerite T. Gilsenan	Epsom	Bookkeeper	Concord	Newton Ctr., Ms.		
Oct. 16	Concord	Linda J. Walker	F	L	3	W	Kenneth C. Walker	Betty L. Fischer	Epsom	N. E. Tel. & Tel.	Concord	Brockton, Mass.		
Nov. 19	Concord	Elizabeth E. Kelley	F	L	4	W	John H. Kelley	Shirley A. Becker	Epsom	Farmer	Concord	Elliot, Me.		
Nov. 25	Concord	Melanie E. Warren	F	L	1	W	Charles W. Warren	Eunice S. Elsassser	Epsom	Farmer	Epsom	New York City		
Nov. 25	Concord	Janet A. Williamson	M	L	2	W	Charles P. Williamson, Jr.	Beverly E. Willey	Epsom	Carpenter	Concord	No. Berwick, Me.		
Nov. 28	Concord	Jane Yeaton	F	L	5	W	Theodore E. Yeaton	Marjorie E. Fowler	Epsom	Farmer	Dover	Concord		
Dec. 5	Concord	Duke W. Sawyer	M	L	3	W	John W. Sawyer	Ruth M. Oumby	Epsom	Farmer	Epsom	Concord		
Dec. 6	Concord	Dulcie A. Yeaton	F	L	2	W	Samuel D. Yeaton	Sally P. Winman	Epsom	Mechanical Engr.	Epsom	Ft. Banks, Mass.		
Dec. 12	Concord	Patricia S. Haubrick	F	L	2	W	Joseph A. Haubrick	Marguerite J. Allen	Epsom	Self Employed	Brooklyn, N. Y.	Center Harbor		
*1887														
May 7	Epsom	Arthur Sherburne	M	L		W	Stillman E. Sherburne	Clara A. Alton	Epsom		Northwood	Portsmouth		
1888														
Mar. 10	Epsom	Hiram T. Hildreth	M	L		W	William L. Hildreth	Martha Randall Robinson	Epsom		Bukshire, Vt.	Barnstead		

*Delayed

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

HAZEL P. STEELE, Town Clerk

Mariages Registered in the Town of Epsom, for the Year Ending December 31, 1953

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age	Color	Occupation of Groom and Bride	Place of birth of each	Names of parents	Birthplace of parents	Sim., Wid., Div.	Name, Residence and official station of person by whom married
1953 Jan. 10	Pittsfield	Bradford B. Allen Leatrice F. Bonchard	Epsom Pittsfield	24 W 25 W	W W	U. S. Navy Mender	Boston, Mass.	Howard S. Allen Frances Bryant Edgar E. Bonchard Flora A. Oshier	Malden, Mass. Boston, Mass.	S 1 1	Rev. Louis Maltais, O.F.M. Pittsfield
June 21	No. Berwick, Maine	James A. Goodwin Virginia M. French	Epsom Chichester	17 W 18 W	W W	Laborer Student	Epsom Pittsfield	Alan F. Goodwin Nellie E. Campbell Clyde R. French Beatrice Herrick	Gloucester, Mass. Sebatas, Me. Marlow Marlow	S 1 1	Roman Catholic Priest Wayne R. Porter No. Berwick, Me. Clergyman
July 12	Manchester	Elmer O. Bergstrom Eliza A. Crafts	Epsom Pembroke	44 W 44 W	W W	Salesman Bottled Gas	Concord Washington	Carl A. Bergstrom Alma T. Ostlund William H. Colby Anna C. Brooks	Sweden Sweden Sweden N. H.	W 2 W	Mark B. Strickland Manchester Clergyman
July 18	Chicopee, Mass.	Francis J. C. Gay, Jr. Naida A. Wells	Chicopee Falls, Ms. Epsom	W W	W W			Arthur A. Wells Lena Skinner Herbert D. Yeaton			
July 24	Chichester	Alvah H. Yeaton Alberta F. Witham	Epsom Deerfield	21 W 19 W	W W	Truck Driver Secretary	Pittsfield Deerfield	Nellie B. Magoon George W. Witham Ada M. Higgins	Northwood W. Corinth, Vt. N. H. Vt.	S 1 1	Rev. H. Franklin Parker Chichester Clergyman
Oct. 17	Concord	Eugene F. Parker Shirley I. Mack	Concord Epsom	20 W 21 W	W W	U. S. Air Force Hair Dresser	Concord Epsom	Alfred B. Parker Ann Harman Willfred E. Mack Viola M. Mason	North Weare Ireland Deerfield	S 1 1	Rev. Stanley E. Skora Concord Roman Catholic Priest
Oct. 25	Chichester	Dou N. Wheeler Pauline E. Barton	Epsom Epsom	37 W 20 W	W W	Farmer Student	Epsom London	Frank P. Wheeler Lillian C. Hillier Kenneth K. Barton Emily P. Marston	Norwich, Vt. Chichester Epsom London	S 1 1 1	Rev. H. Franklin Parker Chichester Clergyman

Oct.	26	Northwood	Douglas R. Wallace	Northwood	20	W	Laborer	Northwood	Leon E. Wallace	Northwood	1	Rev. Stanley N. White
		Epsom	Gladys A. Stack	Epsom	16	W	At Home	Greenwich, Conn.	Helen M. Brooks	Lynn, Mass.	1	Northwood
Nov.	8	Epsom	Frank A. Quimby, Jr.	Concord	20	W	U. S. Navy	Concord	Raymond K. Stack	Westfield, Conn.	1	Min. of the Gospel
		Epsom	Ruth E. Mason	Epsom	18	W	Tel. Operator	Pittsfield	Frank A. Quimby	Northwood, Conn.	1	Rev. Alfred L. Luce
Nov.	21	Epsom	Charles J. Elliott	Epsom	23	W	Mechanic	Epsom	Donis J. Jones	Brockton, Mass.	1	Epsom
		Raven, Va.	Peggy E. Dye	Raven, Va.	21	W	Waitress	Red Ash, Va.	Ester L. Waterhouse	Epsom	1	Min. of the Gospel
									Percy K. Elliott	Hooksett	1	Rev. H. Franklin Parker
									Luella M. Perkins	Northwood	1	Chichester
									Dewey D. Dye	Drill, Va.	1	Clergyman
									Rosanna E. Peck	Honaker, Va.	1	

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Deaths Registered in the Town of Epsom, for the Year Ending December 31, 1953

Date	Place of Death	Name and Surname of the Deceased	Age			Place of Birth	Sex & Cond.		Occupation	Name of Father	Maiden Name Mother
			Years	Months	Days		Male, Female	Mar., Wid., Sin.			
1953											
Jan. 18	Epsom	Mary H. Birks	88			W. Hartlepool, Eng.	F	W	Housewife	Henry Mason	Sarah Watson
Jan. 24	Allenstown	Edward Stewart	89			Orange	M	W	Railroad	Samuel Stewart	Brawn
Feb. 7	Safety Harbor, Florida	Frank L. Rand	84			Epsom	M	W	Shoe Cutter	George H. Rand	Sarah A. Ordway
Feb. 13	Northwood	Carroll J. Tilton	70			Northwood, Mass.	M	W	Housewife	Dudley N. Tilton	Abbie S. Trickey
Mar. 13	Concord	Alice L. Wardwell	64			Wareham, Vt.	F	W	Housewife	James Stever	Nellie Fisher
Mar. 23	Concord	Leon W. Rand	82			Portsmouth	M	W	Photographer	Alfred Rand	Emma Whipple
Apr. 16	Epsom	Francis A. Murby	79			Lowell, Mass.	M	W	Mill	James S. Murby	Elizabeth Cartledge
May 22	Concord	Adelaide Chase	78			Harland, N. B., Can.	F	W	Farming	William Wilby	Eliza Miller
June 10	Concord	William P. Riley	80			Bancor, N. Ireland	M	W	Gardener	Hugh Riley	Caroline Gillien
July 26	Pittsfield	John Kyle	86			Epsom	M	W	Housekeeper	William G. Kyle	Catherine Smyley
July 11	Epsom	Annie L. Towle	86			Epsom	F	W	Housewife	Daniel Cilley	Lydia Babb
Aug. 12	Lowell, Mass.	James E. Peirce	84			Epsom	M	W	Housewife	Joseph B. Cass	Mary L. Brown
Aug. 12	Epsom	Mary P. Philbrick	92			Kittery, Me.	M	W	Housewife	Adin D. Munroe	Barbara A. Shaw
Sept. 2	Boston, Mass.	Vaughn Adin Munroe	2			Epsom	F	W	Housewife	Edger Wells	Laura Flint
Oct. 16	Epsom	Verna W. Hunt	60			Epsom	F	W	Housewife	William Brown	Sarah Nickerson
Oct. 16	Epsom	Helen Philbrick	62			Boston, Mass.	M	W	Farmer	Walter L. Pickard	Sadie Bartlett
Oct. 30	Epsom	Frank E. Brown	57			Cherry Valley, N. Y.	F	W	Farmer & Blacks'th	Edward Griffin	Rebecca Low
Nov. 6	Concord	Glady's Batchelder	57				M	W			
Nov. 16	Epsom	Henry M. Griffin	95				M	W			

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