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# TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1961

#### Moderator

J. ARDEN WOODALL

Town Clerk

GEORGE L. McGOVERN

Treasurer

MARION E. MACCABEE

Collector of Taxes

MARION E. MACCABEE

#### Constables

AUGUSTUS W. OATLEY WILLIAM O. WYLIE

# Tree Warden GORDON RICHARDS

#### Selectmen

JESSE E. MILLS	Term	Expires	1962
GLIDDEN B. PIERCE	Term	Expires	1963
GEORGE C. HUNT, JR.	Term	Expires	1964

#### Board of Public Welfare

EDWARD G. TAMULEVICH	Term	Expires	1962
J. MACK JOHNSTON	Term	Expires	1963
RUTH B. McKINLEY	Term	Expires	1964

FRED E. WATSON	Term	Expires	1962
GEORGE C. HUNT	Term	Expires	1963
ERNEST C. SPRAGUE	Term	Expires	1964

## School Committee

ROBERT J. HALL	Term	Expires	1962
REGINALD J. SMITH	Term	Expires	1963
CHARLES C. CRAIG	Term	Expires	1964

# Municipal Light Board

GEORGE T. DEWEY, JR.	Term	Expires	1962
ROBERT C. HARRINGTON	Term	Expires	1963
PAUL E. GARLOCK	Term	Expires	1964

# **Cemetery Commission**

H. RENO KENNEN, JR.	Term	Expires	1962
NATHAN F. SHELDON	Term	Expires	1963
JOSEPH R. PEARSON	Term	Expires	1964

## Water Board

NORMAN H. OSGOOD	Term	Expires	1962
HAROLD A. MARTIN	Term	Expires	1963
CHANNING H. WASHBURN	Term	Expires	1964

# Library Trustees

CONSTANCE G. GREENMAN	Term	Expires	1962
LAURENS C. SEELYE	Term	Expires	1962
MIRIAM W. DEWEY	Term	Expires	1963
ALDEN H. JACOBSON	Term	Expires	1963
KATHERINE I. STANNARD	Term	Expires	1964
O. FRANK BURBANK	Term	Expires	1964

# Planning Board

CHESTER E. ADAMSKY	Term	Expires	1962
O. FRANK BURBANK	Term	Expires	1962
HERBERT F. WENTWORTH	Term	Expires	1963
G. LEONARD TROTTIER	Term	Expires	1964
DONALD C. ALEXANDER	1	Resigned	1965
DONALD W. KALLGREN	Term	Expires	1966

#### Board of Health

KATHARINE B. WILSON		Term	Expires	1962
NORMAN C. DODGE		Term	Expires	1963
RAYMOND J. SAVIGNAC	ř	Term	Expires	1964

#### **Recreation Commission**

FRANK RANTA	Term	Expires	1962
ELIZABETH B. SHELDON	Term	Expires	1963
VIRGINIA B. FAY	Term	Expires	1964
WALTER D. WILDE, JR.	Term	Expires	1965
DAVID K. BEACH	Term	Expires	1966

## Wachusett Regional School Committee

BRUCE N. SMITH Term Expires 1964

#### APPOINTMENTS BY THE MODERATOR

#### **Finance Committee**

REUBEN O'JANNE	Term	Expires	1962
FRANCIS W. RYAN	Term	Expires	1962
JAMES R. STONE, JR.	Term	Expires	1962
RAYMOND LEADBETTER	Term	Expires	1963
VINCENT A. PIUCCI	Term	Expires	1963
M. LAWRENCE PRICE	Term	Expires	1963
ROBERT A. BRUCE	Term	Expires	1964
LYNN H. NICHOLSON	Term	Expires	1964
FRANK F. GEORGE	Term	Expires	1964

## APPOINTMENTS BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Plumbing Inspector
THOMAS F. HARNEY, JR.

Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering
CARL H. JOHNSON

# Burial Agent GEORGE L. McGOVERN

#### APPOINTMENTS BY THE SELECTMEN

## Board of Appeals

LINWOOD M. ERSKINE, JR.	Term	Expires	1962
AUGUSTUS P. MULLANEY	Term	Expires	1963
BURTON E. JOHNSON	Term	Expires	1964
ROBERT B. BURKE	Term	Expires	1965
EDWARD Z. SAVICKAS	Term	Expires	1966
WILLIAM E. LINDQUIST		Alte	rnate
ROBERT F. DILLMAN		Alte	rnate

Care of Clock
WILLIAM O. WYLIE

Dog Officer
CARL H. JOHNSON

Superintendent of Streets WALTER V. PIKE

Veteran's Agent
WILLIAM E. LINDQUIST

Inspector of Wires

ROY M. WENTWORTH WARREN P. LEDERER—ASSISTANT

**Building Inspector** 

FRED E. WATSON ARTHUR S. PALMER—ASSISTANT

### **Building Board of Appeals**

J. MACKENZIE JOHNSTON Term Expires 1962 FREDERICK G. ANTELL Term Expires 1963 HAROLD A. MARTIN Term Expires 1964 ROBERT S. BODYCOTT Alternate

Forest Fire Warden
LESLIE E. ROBINSON

Moth Superintendent
GORDON M. RICHARDS

Sealer of Weights & Measures
WILLIAM O. WYLIE

Measurers of Wood and Bark and Field Drivers and Fence Viewers

> CHARLES C. CRAIG WILLIAM O. WYLIE GORDON M. RICHARDS

## Board of Registrars

DANIEL F. CRONIN Term Expires 1962 GENEVA M. CROMPTON Term Expires 1963 VIOLA PRENTICE Term Expires 1964

Town Counsel
PAUL REVERE O'CONNELL

Town Accountant

ETTA E. ROBINSON

Term Expires 1964

Police Department
AUGUSTUS W. OATLEY—Chief

# WILLIAM O. WYLIE-Lieutenant. HAROLD J. MULLANEY-Sergeant

WILLIAM E. LINDQUIST JOHN BLAVACKAS JOHN N. KNIPE JON C. MARDEN (Resigned) FREDERICK T. WARPULA GEORGE C. HUNT, JR. ROBERT P. SHEEHAN

## Special Police

HOWARD K. CRESWELL RALPH BUTLAND DOUGLAS ROBERTS FRANCIS M. WHITNEY JOSEPH TIERNEY ROBERT B. LOVE

F. WYMAN ROGERS (Boynton Park) EUNICE ISBLE (School Crossing) JOAN WAHLSTROM (School Crossing) OLIVE JENKINS (School Crossing Alt.) CARROLL V. O'CONNOR (Swimming Pool)

#### Civil Defense

WILLIAM M. FOLEY, Director PAUL E. GARLOCK, Asst. Director

## Board of Fire Engineers

LESLIE E. ROBINSON, Chief ROBERT L. PRICE GORDON M. RICHARDS GEORGE C. HUNT, JR. RAYMOND H. KIMBALL GEORGE C. KARLE, Deputy Chief (App. for daytime only)

## APPOINTMENTS TO FILL VACANCIES

## Planning Board

CHESTER E. ADAMSKY (for Donald Alexander)

## Fire Station Committee

GLIDDEN B. PIERCE RAYMOND H. KIMBALL
DONALD W. KALLGREN

FREDERICK C. ANTELL
ROBERT S. BODYCOTT

ROBERT C. HARRINGTON

## **Group Insurance Advisory Committee**

FLORENCE MORRISSEY ROY M. WENTWORTH GEORGE C. HUNT, SR. EDITH CALHANE

WALTER V. PIKE

## School Needs Study Committee

STANLEY R. COLE LESLIE E. ROBINSON YVETTE CHILDS

CHARLES C. CRAIG ROBERT J. HALL REGINALD J. SMITH

### School Planning & Building Committee

CHARLES C. CRAIG CHESTER E. ADAMSKY GEORGE C. HUNT, SR. HAROLD A. MARTIN GLIDDEN B. PIERCE LESLIE E. ROBINSON

FRANCIS W. CONLIN

### Traffic Planning Committee

AUGUSTUS W. OATLEY LESLIE E. ROBINSON WALTER V. PIKE ROBERT BRUCE O. FRANK BURBANK PAUL E. GARLOCK GEORGE C. HUNT, JR. CHARLES McMANUS

# Report of the Town Clerk

### VITAL STATISTICS

#### BIRTHS

## February

- 1 Glen David, son to David and Gloria M. Ludden.
- 10 Paul Jonathan, son to John P. and Vivian H. Oberg.
- 13 Carolyn Elizabeth, daughter to Roger P. and Gloria J. Plourde.
- 14 George Robert, son to George F. and June E. Soderberg.

- 14 Sheila Ann, daughter to Harold James and Florence Rena Mullaney.
- 15 Nancy Marie, daughter to John J. and Marion W. Personis.

#### March

- 6 Nancy Aldrich, daughter to David Charles and Mary Morgan Bartlett.
- 9 James Albert, son to Albert R. and Nancy L. Carlson.
- 13 Rayanne Martha, daughter to Carleton G. and Elin V. Bridgham.

#### April

- 4 Krista Rosseland, daughter to Robert A. and Dorothy Rosseland.
- 13 Julie Michelle, daughter to Andre L. and Bernadette Lachance.
- 19 Curt Allan, son to Kenneth A. and Patricia A. O'Hearn.
- 28 John Robert, son to Robert F. and Julia E. Roy.

## May

- 2 Roni Scott, daughter to Richard L. and Norma M. Huard.
- 6 Paul Steven, son to Robert D. and Josephine E. Blood.
- 29 Lauri Jean, daughter to Robert S. and E. Jacalyn Pierce.

#### June

- 25 Matthew, son to Robert J. and Mildred L. Ahearn.
- 30 Paul Brian, son to George C. and Helen L. Lamotte.

## July

- 4 Frank Anthony, son to Frank Anthony and Doris Mary Urbanovitch.
- 20 Timothy Dexter, son to Robert Bradford and Barbara Bernice Pierce.
- 21 Meredith Ann, daughter to Norman Rockwood and Anne Loring.
- 24 Anne Marie, daughter to Armand R. and Mary T. Cassavant.

- 28 Lauri Jean, daughter to Richard H. and Leona B. Robertson.
- 29 Marsha Ann, daughter to George Williams and Barbara Ann LeGacy.

#### August

- 2 Bonnie Jean, daughter to Harold B. and Grace M. Jensen.
- 5 Leif Erickson, son to Donald P. and Phyllis C. Erickson.
- 6 Elise Sue, daughter to Conrad H. and Eleanor L. Isenberg.
- 10 Kathleen Marie, daughter to Gerard Allan and Constance Bernier.
- 12 Thomas Aquinas, son to William M. and Marilyn T. Foley.
- 14 Deborah Louise, daughter to Robert G. and Rita Leanna.
- 16 Brennan, son to Bruce and Mariana Van Blair.
- 30 Christopher Lee, son to Alan E. and Ethel E. Webber.

## September

- 1 Susan Lee, daughter to Richard and Myrtle Sayer.
- 3 George John Ahearn, Jr., son to George John and June Frances Ahearn.
- 5 Ann Marie, daughter to Russell and Patricia Harney.
- 13 Joanne Frances, daughter to Francis and Marie T. Cavanaugh.
- 13 Brenda Lee, daughter to Arthur R. and Jeanne M. St. Denis.

#### October

- 2 Rhonda Ellen, daughter to Arthur R. and Aline H. Nisula.
- 15 Christine Ann, daughter to Ralph E. and Mary Elizabeth Oatley.
- 20 Thomas Scott, son to Charles R. and Sandra J. Sears.
- 30 Son to Gerald L. and Shirley E. Greenlaw.

#### November

20 Cecily Anne, daughter to George Geiger and Yvonne Carolyn Karle.

#### December

6 Mary Teresa, daughter to Richard Charles and Maureen Irma Mullaney.

#### MARRIAGES

#### April

15 Joseph Robert Woleader of New York and Violet Dorothy Miller of Paxton.

#### May

- 12 Richard W. Nelson, Jr., of Rutland and Joyce A. Bachant of Paxton.
- 20 William J. Bailey, Jr., of Worcester and Lucille D. Lamarche of Paxton.

#### June

- 10 Russell P. Audette of Paxton and Mary M. Fanning of Paxton.
- 17 Richard Paul Lemieux of Paxton and Doris Lillian Rogers of Worcester.
- 29 William A. Inne of Paxton and Lynn K. Johnson of Paxton.

## July

- 1 William H. Johnson of Paxton and Carol G. Stearns of Framingham.
- 5 Ronald Germain of Auburn and Margaret Fessenden of Paxton.
- 22 Raymond G. Lundberg of Worcester and Gladys U. Payne of Paxton.

## August

- 12 Steven Howard Nelson of Holden and Barbro Elizabeth Larson of Paxton.
- 12 Robert Samuel McKinley of Paxton and Carol Elaine Olson of Paxton.

## September

- 4 Laurence William Pouttu of Paxton and Delores Anita Peluso of Norfolk, Va.
- 9 Maurice Pearson of Worcester. and Carol Robinson of Paxton.
- 9 Paul .R Roberts of Auburn and Marsha R. Kielinen of Paxton.
- 18 Bernard Oscar Carlson of Paxton and Janet Nobert of Auburn.

#### October

- 7 Gerald W. Roy of Paxton and Jo-Ann Guntor of Paxton.
  - 28 Gerald A. Mullaney of Paxton and Beverly A. Mitchell of Worcester.

#### **DEATHS**

#### January

		•		
17	Joseph Wawrynoicz		79	years
30	Mildred M. Faucher		77	years
		March		
8	Charles E. Green		86	years
13	Evelyn M. Gleason		76	years
24	Helen M. Roman			years
		April		
11	Paul W. Spaulding		67	years
14	Robin Ann Huard			year
		May		
13	Ann H. Hulten		63	years
		July		
10	Mary E. Loughnane		70	years
19	Richmond E. Calhane	e		years
21	Bessie Gladys Wats	on		years
24	Alice May Parker			years
31	Daisy Fessenden			years
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	Ammud	
10	August Ethel R. Eames	72 ****
	Bernice B. Burbank	73 years 78 years
		10 years
20	September	TRUE TO
40	Ovila A. St. Martin, Sr.	77 years
	October	
2		64 years
5	Rhonda Ellen Nisula	2 days
	November	
23	Catherine E. (Gilbride) Collins	45 years
	December	
16	James Michael Farren	34 years
	Andrew Johnson	23 years
		20 , 0010
	LICENSES ISSUED IN 1961	
166	Resident Citizen Fishing	
	Resident Citizen Hunting	
	Resident Citizen Sporting	
	Resident Citizen Minor Fishing	
	Resident Citizen Female Fishing	
	Resident Citizen Trapping	
	Non-Resident Fishing	
	Duplicate	
9	Resident Citizen Sporting (Free)	711
U	Resident Citizen Fishing (Old Age Assist. Paid to Division of Fisheries and Game	
14	Archery Deer Stamps 1961	\$1,929.50
11	Paid to Division of Fisheries and Game	\$14.00
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	Dog Licenses	
	Males	
34	Females	
	Spayed Females	
7	Kennel	
	Paid to Town Treasurer	\$649.50

# Report of Voting at Annual Town Meeting

March 6, 1961

Article 1. Election of Town Officers (840 Ballots cast).

Article 2. Voting on the budget as presented by the Finance Committee with amendments from the floor.

Also under Article 2.

Voted for TB Hospital, \$477.00.

Voted the sum of \$3,000.00 be transferred from the overlay surplus account to the Reserve Fund.

Moved and seconded that Article 2 be accepted as a-mended.

Voted unanimously.

Article 3. Bonds required of Town Officials. Voted under Article 2.

Article 4. Voted to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue in accordance with Chapter 44 Section 17 of the General Laws.

Article 5. Voted to appoint the American Legion to have charge of the observance of Memorial Day (Under Article 2.)

Article 6. Voted to appoint the Paxton Civic Committee to have charge of the Fourth of July observance.

Article 7. Voted to give members of the Fire Dept. compensation for their services (Under Article 2.)

Article 8. Voted to appropriate the money received from the Dog Fund to the Richards Memorial Library.

Article 9. Voted to accept Article as printed (Electric Light Dept. Expense).

Article 10. Voted vacation and sick leave for Highway and Water Dept. employees (Under Article 2.)

- Article 11. Voted to transfer \$3,493.02 from Highway Machine Rentals Fund to Highway Eqiupment Maintenance Fund.
- Article 12. Voted to raise and appropriate \$3,100.00 and transfer \$8,525.00 for Chapter 81 Highway Maintenance (Under Article 2.)
- Article 13. Voted to raise and appropriate \$1,800.00 and transfer \$3,600.00 for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance (Under Article 2.)
- Article 14. Voted to raise and appropriate \$3,000.00 and transfer \$17,000.00 for Construction of West Street under Chapter 90 (Under Article 2.)
- Article 15. Voted to transfer the amount requested for the Water Dept. budget from surplus. (Under Article 2.)
- Article 16. Voted Articles 16 and 17 be taken up together.

Easements to erect, operate and maintain electric light lines and poles on the extension of Cutler Road in Paxton and Forestdale Road in Paxton.

- Article 18. Voted to purchase new tractor \$10,500.
- Article 19. Voted to extend water main on Suomi Street.
- Article 20. Voted to pass over this Article. (Water extension Streeter Road.
  - Article 21. Voted to operate street lights all night.
- Article 22. Voted to do renovation work on old school building.
- Article 23. Voted to purchase double-deck commercial bake oven.
- Article 24. Voted to accept article as read. (Title 111 National Defense Education Act).

- Article 25. Voted to move and relocate life guard house.
- Article 26. Voted funds to be paid to the town for Free Public Library purposes.
  - Article 27. Voted to install street lights.
- Article 28. Voted to accept Article as read. (Committee for the celebration of the two hundredth anniversary).
- Article 29. On the advice of the Town Counsel, the Moderator declared Article 29 out of order since money cannot be appropriated in advance of two years.
- Article 30. Voted to accept article as read. (Assistant Inspector of Wires and Assistant Building Inspector).
- Article 31. Voted to allow Library Trustees to sell old discarded books.
- Article 32. Voted that the Illig property be known as War Veterans Memorial Grounds.
- Article 33. Voted to adopt the revisions to the Town Building By-Laws.
- Article 34. Voted to accept continuation of the Paxton School Needs Study Committee for another year.
- Article 35. Voted to Amend By-Laws pertaining to Finance Committee, to increase from 6 members to 9 members.
- Article 36. Voted to amend Section VII, part 3, of the zoning By-Laws under yard and space regulations.
- Article 37. Voted to continue Group Insurance for Etta E. Robinson.
- Article 38. Voted a Committee of 7 members to study needs of Municipal Departments.
- Article 39. Voted to Re-establish the Paxton Post Office with full status including home delivery.

Article 40. Voted \$600 be appropriated for land damages on West Street.

Article 41. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the purpose of establishing a Stabilization Fund.

Article 42. Voted to pass over Article 42. (Assessors to us part of available "Free Cash' to prevent or reduce any increase in the tax rate.)

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. McGOVERN, Town Clerk

# Report of Voting at Special Town Meeting

August 21, 1961

Article 1. Voted that the Town grant permission for the use for burial purposes of the premises consisting of approximately 64 acres of land, being part of the premises conveyed by deed of Michael P. O'Connor to William A. Blaisdell dated October 31, 1910.

Article 2. Voted to transfer from the Reserve Account \$3,000. for the purpose of paying for land to be purchased or taken as the site for a municipal fire station.

Article 3. Voted that the Selectmen be authorized to acquire by purchase and eminent domain for a municipal fire station purposes land belonging now or formerly to George V. Clapp, Catherine Maccabee, Fannie MacDonald and William McKinley also land now or formerly of Mullaney and land now or formerly of Woodall.

Article 4. Voted to transfer from available funds \$4,500.00 to purchase a new sand spreader and a used truck chassis.

Meetings adjourned at 8:35 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. McGOVERN, Town Clerk

# Report of Voting at Special Town Meeting

October 23, 1961

Article 1. Voted to amend the vote of the Town under Article 2 of the town meeting held August 21, 1961 so as to substitute the words "from available funds" for "from the reserve account" or act in any way thereon.

Article 2. Voted to authorize the discontinuance of the joint infirmary maintained by the Charlton Home Farm Association and to authorize the joint board of directors to sell at public auction the real and personal proprety belonging to the Association, or take any action in relation thereto.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. McGOVERN, Town Clerk

# Report of Voting at Special Town Meeting

December 1, 1961

Article 1. Voted to accept the Paxton School Needs Study Committee Report.

Article 2. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a School Planning and Building Committee to consist of 7 members for the purpose of presenting to the Town, for approval, recommendations for the construction of a new school or of an addition to the existing school.

Article 3. Voted to appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 from available funds for the purpose of paying the expenses of the School Planning and Building Committee.

Article 4. Voted to instruct the School Planning and Building Committee to include in any preliminary plans for a new school, or addition to an existing school, provisions for a nuclear fall-out shelter.

Article 5. Voted to authorize a department head with written permission of the Selectmen to sell used or obsolete machinery, materials or equipment.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE L. McGOVERN,

Town Clerk

# Report of the Board of Assessors

Number of Polls assessed Tax on each Poll Rate of Taxation		664 \$2.00 \$59.00
Assessed Personal Estate		
Stock in Trade	\$8,025.00	
Machinery	87,000.00	
Live Stock	1,930.00	
All other Tangible Per. Prop.	2,500.00	
Total of Assessed Personal Estate		\$99,455.00
Assessed Real Estate		
Land exclusive of building	\$506,350.00	
Buildings exclusive of land	3,586,460.00	
Total Value of Assessed Real Est	tate	\$4,092,810.00
Total Value of Assessed Real and	Pers. Est.	\$4,192,265.00

Taxes for State, County and Town Purpos including overlay	ses,
On Personal Property \$5,867 On Real Estate 241,475 On Polls 1,328	5.79
Total Taxes Assessed	\$248,671.64
Number of Livestock Assessed	
Horses Cows Bulls Heifers Swine Sheep Goats Ponies Fowl	27 276 6 53 1 12 2 3 790
Acres of Land Assessed	8,962a., 27,526 ft.
Dwellings Assessed	679
Dwellings Assessed	
Dwellings Assessed  RECAPITULATION	
1000000	\$336,388.58
RECAPITULATION  Town Appropriations Appropriations taken from Available Fund Tax Title Foreclosure Debt and Interest Charges Retirement State Parks and Reservations State Audit of Municipal Accounts County Tax Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment	\$336,388.58 ds 46,783.02 36.00 38,160.00 3,491.71 1,297.27 402.32 6,302.83 3,636.61
RECAPITULATION  Town Appropriations Appropriations taken from Available Functions Tax Title Foreclosure Debt and Interest Charges Retirement State Parks and Reservations State Audit of Municipal Accounts County Tax Tuberculosis Hospital Assessment Overlay of current year	\$336,388.58 46,783.02 36.00 38,160.00 3,491.71 1,297.27 402.32 6,302.83 3,636.61 7,908.71

Corporation Taxes	6,268.80
Old Age Meals Tax	448.71
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	40,000.00
Licenses	3,352.00
Fines	100.00
Police Licenses	120.45
Sealers Fees	21.95
Building Permits	346.00
Hearing Fees	175.00
Health and Sanitation	500.00
Garage Rent	300.00
Snow Plowing Re-imbursement	316.50
Old Age Assistance	5,000.00
Veterans Services	1,000.00
School	19,000.00
Library Fines	200.00
Water Receipts	17,000.00
Cemeteries Receipts	400.00
State Assistance for School Assistance	12,378.12
Farm Animal Excise	213.95
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Total Estimated Recepts	\$148,760.04
Over Estimate of Previous year	
T. B. Hospital	\$192.35
Amounts voted from Available Funds	46,783.02
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	\$195,735.41
Net Amount to be raised by Taxation on	
Polls and Property	\$248,671.64

Respectfully submitted,

FRED E. WATSON, Ch.
GEORGE C. HUNT, Clerk
ERNEST C. SPRAGUE
Board of Assessors

# Report of the Building Inspector

The Building By-Laws of Paxton, approved at the Annual Town Meeting of March 6, 1961, and likewise approved and accepted by the Attorney General on June 26, 1961, are for the purpose of regulating the inspection of materials, construction, alterations, repairs, demolition, removal, height, area, location and use of buildings and all other structures in the Town of Paxton, all of which requires a building permit before any work is commenced.

If you know of anyone who is not abiding by these requirements, kindly advise them as it has been called to my attention that there are habitable rooms and so-called recreation rooms being altered in attics, cellars and basements without a permit or inspection of same.

I wish to call attention to the regulations which control the minimum square feet of clear floor area, and the clear height and the aggregate glass of windows. Also, no habitable room shall be divided, nor shall a part of a habitable room be enclosed by curtains, portieres, fixed or movable partitions or other contrivances or devises, unless each part of the room so divided or enclosed shall separately conform to the requirements of this section in the By-Laws.

Whoever violates any of the provisions of these By-Laws shall be subject to a fine for each offense of an amount not exceeding \$100.00. Any work not meeting these requirements must be removed, which is usually costly.

There were a total of 77 Building Permits issued as follows:

Nu	mber	Est. Cost
51	New Houses	\$958,050
10	Additions and Alterations	27,700
11	Garages and Carports	15,850
1	Cow Shed	200
1	Tool House	200

\$1,002,000

Other statistics in connection with the work of the Building Inspector are as follows:

- 3 Demolitions permitted at an estimated cost of \$1,200. 203 Inspections made.
  - 4 Permits refused because of inadequate lot size.
- 10 Site inspections made because of uncertain conditions.
  - 4 Stop Work orders issued.
  - 10 Occupancy Certificates withheld for further completion
  - 2 Occupancies prohibited.
    - 1 Court action case.
    - 5 Inspection of emergency lights at places of assembly.
    - 3 Nuisance complaints.

An undetermined amount of time and travel for either removing or causing the removal of signs.

## Respectfully submitted,

FRED E. WATSON,
Building Inspector

#### C. D. BOYNTON TRUST FUNDS

People's Sav. Bank	\$2,700.00	\$127.00	\$691.72	
Wor. 5c. Sav. Bank	1,748.00	86.38	477.03	
Wor. Co. Inst. for Sav.	1,600.00	80.78	439.93	
Wor. Mech. Sav.	1,600.00	84.14	567.19	
Totals	\$7,648.00	\$379.00	\$2,175.87	

Respectfully submitted,

MARION E. MACCABEE, Trustee

# Report of the Cemetery Commissioners

Receipts:		
Lots sold and placed in		
Perpetual Care	\$1,100.00	
Care of lots, not in Per. Care	72.50	
Opening Graves	455.00	
Turned over to Town Treasurer		\$1,627.50
Income on Trust Funds	\$969.35	
Appropriation—1961	500.00	
Balance—Jan. 1, 1961	739.33	
·		\$2.208.68

\$2,208.68

#### Payments:

Maintenance of Cemeteries includi	ng
general care, opening graves,	\$1,117.40
grass seed and fertilizer	ф1,117.40
Repairs to power machines, gas	
and oil	90.18
New trees, trimming and spraying	301.00
Corner markers for new section	228.09
Supt., clerical, postage and supplies	
Balance, Dec. 30, 1961	236.01

\$2,208.68

Corner markers were purchased for the new section opened last year, in Mooreland Cemetery. The first two sections were seeded and fertilized and plans are to do another two sections this year. New trees were planted and some spraying and trimming done.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH R. PEARSON, Ch.
NATHAN F. SHELDON, Clerk
H. RENO KENNEN, Th. Mem.
Cemetery Commissioners

# Report of Civil Defense Director

To the Citizens of Paxton:

Thirty-one new members were added to the Paxton Civil Defense Organization during the past year.

Additional Communication equipment was installed at Defense Headquarters in the Town Hall—insuring more reliable communication with State Civil Defense Headquarters in the event of a disaster. The communication facilities are emergency powered.

The nation-wide Civil Defense test "Operation Opal"—a test involving the Warning, Communication, and Radiological facilities of the town, was deemed a success.

A Radiological Monitoring Course (detection of radioactive "fallout") was conducted. Seven members of the organization qualify as Radiological Monitors. Two members of the organization qualify as Radiological Instructors.

A survey of all the buildings in town—for use as potential "fallout" shelters—was conducted by Professor Joseph Sage, Mr. Ronald Carlson, and members of the Civil Defense Organization. Family "fallout" shelters have been strongly recommended by local, state, and federal authorities. Authorative literature—outlining construction details, emergency supplies and facilities, and other related information is available from your local Civil Defense Organization. A marked increase in interest has been noted in the area of fallout shelter construction by townspeople.

The Town of Paxton Civil Defense Operational Plan has been approved by the state of Massachusetts Area No. 3 Defense Director.

A sincere thank you is given to the local Explorer Post No. 105 and Mr. Walter Wilde, their leader, for the full measure of cooperation given throughout the past year. Expansion of the Radiological and local Communication fields are planned for the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM M. FOLEY, Civil Defense Director

# Report of the Dog Officer

Dog Bites19Dogs Destroyed14Dog Complaints21Court Cases7 unlicensed dogsDogs Claimed by Owners5

All dogs on Assessors List have been licensed for the year 1961.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL H. JOHNSON

Dog Officer

# Report of the Fire Department

## Board of Engineers

The Fire Department lists 29 calls for service during 1961 as follows:

- 6 Building
- 11 Grass and Brush
  - 3 Motor Vehicle
  - 2 Motor Vehicle Accident
  - 3 Household Appliance (stove, space heater, etc.)
  - 2 False
  - 2 Investigations

The largest single property loss in Paxton within the past 10 years occurred on January 26, 1961 at 1:55 A. M. with the destruction by fire of the building owned by Armand Bourget at 329 Pleasant St. Machine tool equipment belonging to Herbert Carlson and partners was also destroyed in this building.

Fire at property of R. Boucher, Asnebumskit St. required the use of breathing equipment due to the toxic nature of the smoke and gases produced by a burning plastic waste basket.

Because of a series of brush and grass fires occurring on the evening of October 29, 1961, mutual aid was received directly from Leicester and Worcester, and from Holden and Rutland through the "Midstate Fire Mutual Aid Association" of which Paxton it a member.

Through the cooperation of Mr. Robert Love the department was given the use of two (2) buildings on the Hair Farm to practice on this summer. Approximately 8 or 9 fires were set in one of the buildings and extinguished with fog streams. The other building was used for practice with self contained breathing equipment.

Six members of the department attended fire fighting classes at the Meadowood Fire Department training grounds in Fitzwilliam, N. H. The classes were conducted under the sponsorship of the New Hampshire Fire Chiefs Club.

Some of the brush on the property purchased as a site for a future Fire and Police Station was cleared to make room for the dumping of available fill.

A new project for the Engineers was completed this fall with the making up and installing of marker sticks for every hydrant on the Town Water System.

A 10 ton capacity hydraulic rescue tool set was purchased this year to be used in conjunction with the Police Dept. on accidents and in any use where the need of a power

unit is advisable to help in effecting a quicker rescue than would be possible under ordinary conditions.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE E. ROBINSON GORDON M. RICHARDS GEORGE C. HUNT, Jr. RAYMOND H. KIMBALL ROBERT L. PRICE

# Report of the Board of Health

The following diseases were reported during the year 1961:

- 21 Dog Bites
- 33 Mumps
- 37 Chicken Pox
- 70 Measles
  - 1 Scarlet Fever
  - 1 Septic Throat
  - 1 Pulomonary T. B.

We repeat our request to all parents and guardians to PLEASE report all communicable diseases to the local Board of Health as required by State Law.

The following licenses were issued:

- 1 Kindergarten School
- 3 Methyl Alcohol
- 8 Milk and Cream

The following appointments were made:

Thomas F. Harney, Jr., Pumbing and Sanitary Insp. Carl H. Johnson, Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering.

George L. McGovern, Burial Agent.

The Board meets the first Thursday of each month, and the townspeople should feel free to call at any time for assistance. The cooperation of the Town Officials, residents, and the District Health Office throughout the past year has been appreciated.

Our Town Nurse is operating on a half day basis. When the work load demands it she will be put on full time.

People wishing advise or information regarding the operation of the Nursing service should contact a member of the advisory board. The board meets the first Wednesday of each month.

Arrangements have been made so that combustibles which can not be burnt in home incinerators can now be brought to the Town dump where they will be burnt by the Street department.

The Board of Health is continuing its effort to interest as many people as possible in home garbage incinerators. It is hoped to have very soon a plan whereby they could be purchased on the Installment plan and paid to the Municipal Light Company at the same time as the light bill.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND J. SAVIGNAC, Ch. KATHARINE B. WILSON, Clerk NORMAN C. DODGE

# Report of the Public Health Nurse

Clinics held during the school year were as follows:

1	Vaccination	27
3	Diphtheria-tetanus	84
1	Pre-school registration	38

Also, a polio clinic for the town was held in June, 73 receiving booster shots.

Physical Exams. (Dr. Channing Washburn	115
School Visits	79
Nurse-Teacher Conferences	77
Nurse-Pupil Conferences	211
Audio-Visual Exams. (Individual)	638
Conferences and Meetings	30
Welfare	127
Other	138
Adult Health Supervision	17
Post-partum	11
1-12 Months	6
Not at Home	7
Not Taken Under Care	1

Children entering school in the fall were visited during the summer. Continued emphasis on physical fitness prevails, and Mrs. Virginia Fay has been appointed part-time Physical Education Instructor. The daily calisthenics program has been met with enthusiasm by the parents, teachers, and all concerned with the future health of our children. Mrs. Fay has evaluated the posture of each pupil as they have come down for their audio-visual exams, all being done individually. Pupils with problems are checked by Dr. Washburn, and the proper exercises are recommended. Physical fitness tests are being given in grades 4 through 8, in accordance with President Kennedy's program.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. GLADYS M. BERG, R. N. Pub. Health and School Nurse

# Library Report

#### Circulation:

Adult fiction	5,508	
Adult non-fiction, including magazines	2,230	
		7,738
Juvenile fiction	6,462	
Juvenile non-fiction	2,671	
		9,133
Total Circulation	La	16,871
Volumes Purchased:		
Adult and Youth	397	
Juvenile	184	
Total Volumes Purchased		581

The Friends of the Library group have expanded and in addition to their book repairing activities, arranged a very successful art show.

The Exporer Scouts, whose headquarters are the Library basement, cleaned, painted and generally rearranged the room. This project involved their own time and money.

The year's figures show an increase of 735 in total circulation, the larger part of this in the juvenile section. There is a noticeable trend toward more reference work being done at the Library, and it is hoped this will continue. We have expanded our science and art sections with good basic recommended volumes.

Respectfully submitted,

EDITH F. CALHANE,
Librarian

# Report of the Richards Memorial Library

Income:		
Town Appropriation 1961	\$3,687.00	
Dog Fund 1961	352.43	
Income from Trust Funds 1961	1,272.43	
Balance of Trust Funds 1960	217.65	
		\$5,529.51
Expenditures:		
Salary, Librarian	\$1,200.00	
Salary, Assistant	601.50	
Salary, Page	105.00	
Salary, Janitor	600.00	
Salary, Clerk	50.00	
Summer School, Librarian	150.00	
Travel Expense, Librarian	27.70	
Books and Magazines	1,426.58	
Lights	63.30	
Water	20.00	
Fuel	314.48	
Librarian's Supplies	37.30	
Repairs and Equipment	760.64	
Rebinding	10.85	
Miscellaneous	86.19	
		\$5,453.54
Balance	1 1	\$75.97
State Aid Fund:		
Total Grant:	\$503.79	
Amount Expended	499.89	
Balance		\$3.90

The sum of \$248.60 in Fine Money was turned over to the Town Treasurer.

The sale of old books throughout the year, as they were discarded, netted the sum of \$4.50 which was turned over to the Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH O. CUNNINGHAM Clerk

\$107,906.86

# Report of The Electric Light Department

I hereby submit the Report of the Paxton Electric Light Department for the year ending December 31, 1961.

#### STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

#### Income:

Metered Sales to Consumers:	
Rate A Private Consumers	\$78,631.03
Rate B Small Com. Con.	5,276.18
Rate C Large Com. Con.	16,345.41
Sales to other Utilities	225.95
Street Lighting	3,208.15
Municipal Lighting	2,739.52
Power for Mun. Pumping	1,128.90
Interest Income Depr. Fund.	41.72
Miscellaneous Revenues	310.000

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#### Expenses:

Total Income

Electric Energy Purchased	\$71,457.42
Maint. Trans. and Dist. Lines	9,243.39
Maint. Consumers Meters	69.19
Oper. of Municipal St. Lights	131.37

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Commercial Salaries	576.00	
Salaries of Mun. Light. Board		
and Manager	7,460.06	
General Office Sup. and Exp.	497.26	
Managers Light Board Expense	122.90	
Rent	350.00	
Meter Reading	1,033.59	
Insurance and Bonds	772.54	
Depreciation	6,425.94	
Total Expense		\$98,139.66
Net Income for year	-	\$9,767.20

## PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT

	Debits Credits
Credit Balance at Beginning of Jan. 1961 Credit Balance Transferred from Income Account	\$112,768.25 9,767.20
Balance Carried Forward to Balance Sheet	\$122,535.45
	\$122 535 45 \$122 535 45

# GENERAL BALANCE SHEET

## Assets

		Depr. Val.
	Additions	12/31/61
Land		\$311.67
Substa. Structure	\$450.65	450.65
Substa. Structure,		
Asnebumskit Rd.	471.58	471.58
Trans. and Substa. Equip.		20,576.66
Poles and Fixtures	1,027.11	25,783.93
Overhead Conductors	6,292.83	22,277.71
Consumers Meters	853.20	10,971.32
Asnebumskit Rd. Trans. and Substa. Equip. Poles and Fixtures Overhead Conductors	1,027.11 6,292.83	20,576.66 25,783.93 22,277.71

	Line Transformers House Services Street Lighting Equip.	2,613.65 1,399.81 1,945.58	21,206.58 12,056.40 14,104.60	
	Office Equipment	1,040.00	68.23	
	Transportation Equipment		5,177.49	
	Tools and Shop Equip.	186.28	186.28	
	Laboratory Equip.		75.83	
	Misc. Equipment		524.12	
	Total Additions in 1961	\$15,240.69		
	and Paid from Plant In	ncome		
	Total Property owned by (Depreciated Value)	Det.	\$	134,243.05
	Construction Fund			878.16
	Consumers Deposits			303.79
	Accounts Receivable			4,345.10
	Materials and Supplies			1,793.70
	Depreciation Fund			7,479.90
	Grand Total	•	\$	149,043.70
	LIA	BILITIES		
	Of the original amount appared by the town for con-	_		
tion of Plant the Dept. still owes		\$500.00		
	The Dept. owes consumers their deposits	for	302.18	
	Total owed by Depart	ment		\$802.18
Surplus of the Dept. in notes paid off in previous years			19,116.00	
	Appropriations for Constru	ction		
	Repayment			6,590.07
	Earnings of this and prior			
	invested in new plant and	d other		
	assets			122,535.45
	Grand Total		\$	149,043.70

We installed 43 new meters and 110 Kilowatt of new transformer capacity to the plant.

We have replaced 10, 35 ft. poles and installed 40 ft. poles in anticiation of our installing a new feed line from city line to Asnebumskit Rd. at the new substation location.

We have signed 20 year lease with the City of Worcester for a new 13,800 Volt Distribution Substation.

We have extended our lines on Cutler Rd., 5 poles; Walbridge Rd., 7 poles; Indian Hill Rd., 8 poles; Merry Lane 1 pole and Briarcliff Rd., 1 pole.

The consumption of electricity for 1961 was 4,293,200 Kilowatt hours or approximately 10 per cent increase.

Our cost up to the present time for the ice storm, the week of December 18 was roughly \$2,400. There are still some bills to come in.

I wish to thank the customers for their kind patience during this very trying time for our employees.

I wish to thank all the men that came from Belmont, Braintree, Wellesley, Shrewsbury, Templeton and Brewer Tree Experts of Worcester and our own 2 men who stood by for long trying hours.

I wish to express my appreciation to the members of the Light Commission for their kind cooperation and to our personnel for their help throughut the year.

### Signed,

### ROY M. WENTWORTH,

Manager

We hereby submit the Manager's Report for our Department.

GEORGE T. DEWEY, Jr.
PAUL GARLOCK
ROBERT HARRINGTON
Electric Light Commission

## Report of The Plumbing Inspector

Board of Health

Paxton, Mass.

#### Gentlemen:

I, hereby, submit my report for the year January 1, 1961 to December 31, 1961.

Plumbing Permits Issued	53
Plumbing Inspections	149
Sewage Disposal Permits Issued	69
Sewage Disposal Inspections	167
Complaints of Faulty Sewage Conditions	8
Correct Faulty Sewage Conditions	7
Sub-Division Inspections	21
Cellar Drainage Inspections	75
Surface Drainage Inspections	24
Horse Stable Inspections	2
Eating Place Inspections	6
Swimming Pool Inspections	2
Occupancy Approvals Issued to Building Insp	o. 41
Dwelling-Occupancy Prohibited	2

I would like to repeat items from my previous reports that, if you have a septic tank and it has not been pumped out within the past two years, be sure that you attend to it this year, as they should be cleaned every three years.

Unannounced periodic inspections will be made of food handling and beverage dispensing establishments.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS F. HARNEY Jr., R. S. Plumbing and Sanitary Insp.

## Report of the Planning Board

The Planning Board spent most of this year with developers discussing sub-divisions, drainage, roads, etc. We have approved "Indian Hill Estates," and are now working on the final plans of "Hyacres" and "Kettlebrook Estates." We have on plans approximately two hundred and twenty house lots.

The Board has completed micro-filming all Planning Board records, abstracts in the Assessors office, and copied all the house connection records of the Water Board. The originals of all these records will be on permanent file in the vaults of the Micro-Film Co. in Waltham.

The Board has apointed an agent who supervises the construction of streets in the new developments for the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT F. WENTWORTH, Ch. O. FRANK BURBANK, Clerk G. LEONARD TROTTIER DONALD W. KALLGREN CHESTER ADAMSKY

## Report of The Police Department

With the end of 1961, came the end of our "no fatality" record, thus spoiling the record that prevailed since 1947. We start a new year with high hope that accidents will lessen in 1962. Despite the fact that there was more patrolling, our accidents increased from 39 in 1960 to 47 in 1961. There were, however less Paxton residents involved in 1961, than in 1960. As this report is written, we have two accidents for 1962, with one injury claim.

Other activities of this Department were as follows:

Motor Vehicle Violations	108	
Court Cases	21	
Driving Under the Influence	4	
Driving So as to Endanger	3	
Driving After Suspension	2	
Littering	2	
Speeding	10	
Drunks	6	
Vagrancy	1	
Breaking and Entering	5	
Summons Servied for Other Depts.	21	
Complaints for Year	391	
Parking Tickets	19	
Defective Equipment Tags	24	
1 Juvenile—Using a car without Authority		

During the Vacation Period, there were 54 houses reported as to the time they would be empty. No trouble at any dwelling that had been reported to Department.

## Money Turned Into Town Treasurer:

Gun Permits	\$20.00
Bicycle Registrations	14.75
Accident Reports	69.00
Holiday Work Permits	35.00
Total	\$138.75

Respectfully submitted,

AUGUSTUS W. OATLEY, Jr. Chief of Police

# Report of the Board of Public Welfare

For the year ending December 31, 1961

Lump sum appropriation, Charities, and Old Age \$10,500.00 Assistance

## Expended:

Following is data on

GENERAL RELIEF		
Paxton Settled Cases		
(not reimbursable)		
Aided in Town		
Aided by other		
City or Town \$870.92		
Unsettled or State Cases		
(fully reim. by State) 60.00		
Persons settled elsewhere		
(fully reim. by other		
city or town 338.03		
Adm. other than salary 27.26		
(approx. 75% reim.)		
Expended, General Relief \$1	,296.21	
Expended, Director's Salary	337.40	
(approx. 75% reimb.)		
Expended, Aid to Dep. Children	206.82	
Expended, Dis. Assist.	,975.26	
Expended, Medical Assist. for Aged 1	,774.00	
Expended, Old Age Assist.	,807.38	
Total expended from Lump Sum Appro.		\$10,397.07
Balance, Lump Sum Appro., Dec. 31, 196	1	\$102.93
BOARD SALARIES		
Appropriation, 1961		\$150.00
Expended, 1961		150.00

Appropriation, 1961	\$150.00
Expended, 1961	150.00
Balance, Dec. 31, 1961	
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#### FEDERAL FUNDS

(Available for Board Expenditures)

### OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

\$5,234.24

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Expended, 1961		\$10,116.14 4,048.50
Balance Dec. 31, 1961	1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1	\$6,067.64
OLD AGE ASSISTANCE	ADMINISTRAT	YION
Balance, January 1, 1961 Federal Reimbursement, 1961	\$917.15 552.11	
		\$1,469.26
Expended:		
Director's Salary (appro. 75% reimbursable)	\$658.70	

\$976.95

318.25

Balance, Dec. 31, 1961

Adm. other than Salary

(appro. 75% reimbursable)

Balance, January 1, 1961

Federal Reimbursement, 1961

\$492.31

## AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ADMR.

Balance, Jan. 1, 1961		\$325.95	
Federal Reimbursement, 1	1961	61.50	
			\$387.45
Expended, 1961			338.70
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Balance, Dec. 31, 1961			\$48.75

# AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Balance, Jan. 1, 1961 Federal Reimbusement, 1961	\$7.41 3.90	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		\$11.31
Expended, 1961		
Balance, Dec. 31, 1961	_	\$11.31
DISABILITY ASSIST	ANCE	
Balance, Jan. 1, 1961 Federal Reimbursement, 1961	\$738.64 914.60	
	Tell van	\$1,653.24
Expended, 1961		1,159.30
Balance, Dec. 31, 1961		\$493.94
DISABILITY ASSISTANCE	CE ADMR.	
Balance, Jan. 1, 1961 Federal Reimbursement, 1961	\$155.27 102.20	
		\$257.47
Expended, 1961		96.11
Balance, Dec. 31, 1961	The second	\$161.36
MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FO	R THE AG	ED
Balance, Jan. 1, 1961 (new program) Federal Reimbursement, 1961	\$1,741.29	
Expended, 1961	A	\$1,741.29 60.00
Balance, Dec. 31, 1961	_	\$1,681.29

#### MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE AGED

### Administration

Balance, Jan. 1, 1961 (new program) Federal Reimbursement, 1961	\$86.81	
Expended, 1961		\$86.81
Expended, 1961		

Balance Dec. 31, 1961

\$86.81

#### STAE FUNDS

(Not available for Board Expenditure)

#### Credited to Town Reciepts:

State	Share,	Aid to Dep. Child. Adm.	\$1.95
State	Share,	Dis. Assist. Adm.	51.10
State	Share,	Med. Assist. Aged Adm.	43.40
State	Share,	O. A. Assist. Adm.	218.86

\$315.31

(The above administrative reimbursements are new. Coupled with the 50% federal reimbursement the 25% reimbursement paid by the Commonwealth assures 75% reimbursement on all administrative expenditures.)

## Credited to Town Receipts:

State	Snare,	Aid to Dep. Uniid. grant	ea
State	Share,	Dis. Assist. granted	\$610.70
State	Share,	Med. Assist. Aged gran	nted
			1,147.41
State	Share,	O. A. Assist. granted	2,681.30

\$4,439.41

### REIMBURSEMENT FROM OTHER CITIES AND TOWNS

(Not available for Board Expenditure)

 i. e. Persons aided in Paxton on Old Age Assistance but having settlements elsewhere in the Commonwealth.
 Sum below represents share of other city or town after deducting federal and state shares.

Credited to Town Receipts

\$56.51

Respectfully submitted,

J. MacKENZIE JOHNSTON, Ch. RUTH B. McKINLEY, Clerk EDWARD G. TAMULEVICH

Frederick E. Casey Director Public Assistance

## Report of Charlton Home Farm Assoc.

For the year ended December 31, 1961

#### Assets

Cash on hand and in bank	\$1,285.80
Deposits in Savings Banks	10,189.56
Accounts Receivable	400.00
Personal property, appraised value	1,738.00
Land and buildings, appraised value	20,000.00

\$33,613.36

## Liabilities and Equity

Liabilities

\$220.26

### Equity:

Gross income from all sources Less-Total expenses

\$13,517.78 19,187.08 5,669.30 33,393.10

\$33,613.36

### Respectfully submitted,

DONALD R. PERKINS, Pres.
ROBERT A. DONAVAN,
Sec. and Treas.
RAYMOND L. GIROUARD,
C. P. A.

## Report of the Recreation Committee

The Paxton Recreation Committee held its organizational meeting on March 21, 1961. Mr. Frank Ranta was elected Chairman; Mrs. Chapin Fay, Clerk. The rest of the Committee was as follows: Mrs. Nathan F. Sheldon, Mr. Walter D. Wilde, Jr., and our new member, Mr. David Beach. We were also joined by our two ex officio members: Mr. Reginald Smith, School Committee; and Mrs. Herbert Wentworth, Planning Board.

Now, we would like to make a report to the Town on what we have accomplished during this year:

PAXTON LITTLE LEAGUE: Ably guided by Manager Robert Hughes and Coach Warren Sundstrom, the Giants swept to victory in both halves of the Little League season.

This year we did not participate in the sectional All-Star games, but contented ourselves with several special games. This enabled us to stay more or less in our own competitive class, and we did well. As advancing age is depriving us of our older, more experienced players—and parents—we are discovering that parents of the newer boys could be considerably more enthusiastic. Paxton is the smallest town in the world to sustain its own Little League, and the program it provides is well worth our wholehearted support. There is certainly no lack of enthusiasm amongst the boys.

LASSIE LEAGUE: We wish to extend our sincere thanks to Mrs. Wallace Connor who volunteered to take charge of our Lassie League. In spite of a deluge of inclement weather they had several successful meetings.

THE SWIMMING POOL: The pool continued to be open 7 days a week again this year—from June 24th to Aug. ust 27th. The hours remained from 12-6 p. m. We were pleased to be able to obtain thte services of Carroll V. O'Connor as Waterfront Director. He was ably assisted by Miss Virginia Linden. The attendance at the pool is constantly on the increase. Mr. Hiram W. Phillips of W.P.I. was, again, in charge of the water tests. Our water passed all the chemical tests very satisfactorily.

RED CROSS SWIMMING CLASSES: These Classes are sponsored by the Sons of Pavton, under the supervisory instruction of Mrs. Louise Mitch of the American Red Cross. Mrs. Louis T. Hamblin is Chairman. They were held on Tuesday and Thursday mornings starting July 6th. There were ten lessons. Increasing attendance is proof enough that this is one of our town's most popular programs.

RECREATION PROGRAM: Supervised by Mr. O'Connor and Miss Linden, this program was conducted on Wednesday and Friday mornings from July 5th to August 11th. Participation in this program is increasing steadily; but its growth is slow due to the transportation problem.

COASTING AREA: Considerable further clearing has

been done on this site, and we have also installed another pole of flood lights for night coasting.

LIFE GUARD HOUSE: After a series of complications, the new flush toilets at the pool were opened. They are very satifactory, and an excellent start on our Pool Development Program. There has also been considerable work done to provide adequate parking space on this side, and we hope this phase of our development will be fully completed by spring.

THE WINTER CARNIVAL: This new innovation as a town activity turned out to be an overwhelming success—so much so, that it has been voted an annual occasion. Plans are already under way for this program for 1962.

BASKETBALL LEAGUE: One of the most successful programs organized by this Committee is the teen-age basketball League. The eligible boys were split up into four teams, and two games are played at each session. As a matter of fact, it wasn't too long after the instigation of these games, that we were approached by the Junior High age group. They, too, wanted to form their own League. This was done, and now on Saturday nights there are four games—two Junior High group games; and two High School group games.

THE FUTURE: The Pool still remains our foremost problem; but we are not, as yet, ready to come up with the solution. In the spring, a small fiberglass wading pool will be installed as an experiment. After this has been accomplished, we will be in a better position to evaluate our problem. In the meantime, we shall continue to work on improving the entire area. Paxton citizens should be particularly grateful for the foresight which provided this land that it might be developed into the excellent recreational center we have today.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK RANTA, Ch.
WALTER D. WILDE, Jr.
ELIZABETH SHELDON
DAVID BEACH
HERBERT F. WENTWORTH,
ex officio, Plan Bd.
REGINALD J. SMITH,
ex officio, School Bd.
VIRGINIA B. FAY, Clerk

## Report of the Highway Department

#### CHAPTER 81

All Chapter 81 Roads were treated with asphalt and sand cover where needed. Brush was cut, tar roads were patched, dirt roads were gravel patched. Drainage Structures were cleaned and repaired.

#### 90 MAINTENANCE

90 Roads were treated with stone and asphalt mix in rough places and sealed with asphalt and sand in others Patching was done, brush cut, and drainage cleaned.

Twelve thousand feet of shoulder work was done.

### 90 CONSTRUCTION

Armco Multiplate Pipe Arch, 1 Span 16 ft. 7 in. Rise 10 ft. 1 in. Gage, 92 ft. long was put in. Eight thousand yards of fill was hauled.

### SPECIAL ACCOUNT FOR HIGHWAYS

210 ft. of 15 in. C. C. M. Pipe and two catch basins were put in on Suomi Street.

350 ft. of side drain was put in on Ridgewood Road.

180 ft. of side drain was put in on O'Connor Road.

Walbridge Road was excavated, widened and gravelled for 800 ft.

New Keep Right Islands were put in at intersections of Maple and Grove Streets, and Grove and Pleasant Streets. Corner of Holden Road and Grove Street was widened and graded.

All Highway work was done under supervision of State Engineer.

The Highway Department traded the 1954 Oliver 77 Tractor Back Hoe and 7/8 Bucket.

Such a good deal was made in purchasing the new Tractor, we were able to purchase a small Ford Tractor with Power Mower and Power Broom Attachments.

Enough money was transferred from this account to buy a second-hand Diamond T 660, 1956 Truck, Motor completely rebuilt and Body painted and lettered, and six new tires.

The Highway Department purchased a new highway  $5\frac{1}{2}$  cubic yard Automatic Spreader and mounted it on the new Diamond T Truck.

This makes the Highway Department very well equipped, and all equipment is in very good shape.

## **BOARD of SELECTMEN**

The Selectmen began the year 1961 as a two member board and in March, they welcomed George C. Hunt, Jr., as the third member.

It has been a busy year, in which the Selectmen have spent much time in handling problems that have required research and deliberation, as well as guidance from the Town Counsel. One of the more important items of business accomplished was the restoration of postal service on April 1.

The Selectmen have met with other committees, boards and officers on various routine and special matters. Below are listed only the meetings which have taken on special items as we feel these may be of interest.

February 2

Fire Chief Proposed sites for a new fire station

and probable cost.

February 23

Chief of Police and Superintendent of

Streets

Parking signs in center of Town.

March 23

Board of Health and

Finance Committee

Incinerators for disposal of garbage. papers, etc.

May 25

Public Hearing

Complaints about motorcycle

scrambles

June 29

Board of Health and Plumbing Inspector

Drainage problems in various locations in Town.

July 13

Planning Board

Procedures for inspecting housing development areas.

September 13

Town Counsel, Board of Health and Plumbing Inspector

Duties and procedures of Plumbing Inspector.

October 9

Planning Board and Finance Committee

Regional Planning.

#### November 9

School Needs Study Committee Presentation and discussion of their report.

#### November 15

Superintendent of Streets and District Sanitary Engineer Inspection of and recommended solution to an acute drainage problem.

#### November 22

Planning Board

Regional Planning and rules for housing development areas.

#### December 18

Civil Defense Director and a Radio Technician

Possibility of combining Paxton's base radio station with that of nearby communities.

The Selectmen were often called upon for advice on various problems, for settling of complaints and for general assistance, and in each case they have tried to give their most thoughtful attention and consideration in reaching the best solution. The Selectmen will continue to contribute their very best efforts in serving the Town and its people.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE E .MILLS, Chairman GLIDDEN B. PIERCE, Clerk GEORGE C. HUNT, Jr. Th. Mem.

## Report of the Tax Collector

1958 Personal Property

Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1961

\$280.00

Collected, 1961

\$280.00

## 1958 Real Estate

Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1961	\$1,120.00	
Collected, 1961	V	\$1,120.00
1958 Motor Vehic	le	
Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1961	\$22.60	
Collected, 1961		\$22.60
1959 Personal Prop	erty	
Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1961	\$193.80	
Collected, 1961		\$193.80
1959 Real Estate	e	
Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1961	\$838.83	
Collected, 1961		\$838.83
1959 Motor Vehic	le	
Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1961 Refunded, 1961	\$899.86 6.41	
Collected, 1961 Abated, 1961 Outstanding, Dec. 30, 1961		\$462.31 80.17 363.79
	\$906.27	\$906.27
1959 Water Lie		Ţ
Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1961	\$36.54	
Collected, 1961		\$36.54
1960 Polls		
Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1961	\$4.00	
Collected, 1961		\$4.00

## 1960 Personal Property

\$208.05		Collected, 1961 Outstanding, Dec. 30, 1961
	\$208.05	
		1960 Farm Anima
	\$22.00	Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1961
\$22.00		Collected, 1961
	e	1960 Real Est
	\$5,992.20 85.50	Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1961 Refunded, 1961
5,135.03		Collected, 1961
199.50		Abated, 1961
743.17		Outstanding, Dec. 30, 1961
3,077.70	\$6,077.70	
18	cle	1960 Motor Ve
	\$3,982.63 8,842.32	Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1961 Committed in 1961
	392.82	Refunded, 1961
,226.92		Collected, 1961
932.36		Abated, 1961
,058.49		Outstanding, Dec. 30, 1961
3,217.77	\$13,217.77	
	n	1960 Water L
	\$90.43	Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1961
\$20.29		Collected, 1961
70.14		Outstanding, Dec. 30, 1961
\$90.43	\$90.43	
3,	\$6,077.70 cle \$3,982.63 8,842.32 392.82 \$13,217.77 m \$90.43	Refunded, 1961 Collected, 1961 Abated, 1961 Outstanding, Dec. 30, 1961  1960 Motor Ve Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1961 Committed in 1961 Refunded, 1961 Collected, 1961 Abated, 1961 Outstanding, Dec. 30, 1961  1960 Water L Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1961 Collected, 1961

## 1961 Polls

Committed, 1961 Refunded	\$1,328.00 4.00	
Collected, 1961 Abated, 1961 Outstanding, Dec. 30, 1961	,	\$1,240.00 90.00 2.00
	\$1,332.00	\$1,332.00
1961 Personal Pro	perty	
Committed, 1961	\$5,867.85	
Collected Abated, 1961 Outstanding, Dec. 30, 1961		\$5,372.25 20.65 474.95
	\$5,867.85	\$5,867.85
1961 Farm Animal	Excise	
Committed, 1961	\$213.95	
Collected, 1961		\$213.95
1961 Real Esta	te	
Committed, 1961 Refunded, 1961	\$241,475.79 415.95	
Collected, 1961		\$228,165.51
Abated, 1961		7,590.35
Outstanding, Dec. 30, 1961		6,135.88
	\$241,891.748	\$241,891.74
1961 Motor Veh	icle	
Committed, 1961 Refunded, 1961	\$46,580.69 976.76	
Collected, 1961		\$39,904.36

Abated, 1961 Outstanding, Dec. 30, 1961 3,947.17 3,705.92

\$47,557.45\$47,557.45

### 1961 Water Lien

Committed, 1961

\$385.70

\$385.70

Collected, 1961

\$218.84 166.86

Outstanding, Dec. 30, 1961

\$385.70

#### Poll Demands to Treasurer

1	9	60
1	9	61

\$.70 15.75

Interest Payments to Treasurer

# 1958

\$84.69

1959 1960  $106.55 \\ 82.29$ 

1961

46.88

Respectfully submitted,

MARION E. MACCABEE, Town Collector

## Report of the Tree Warden

I hereby submit the following report for the year 1961.

Appropriations Expenditures \$800.00

\$800.00

Trimming and removal of trees on the following streets: Marshall St., Suomi St., Hill St., Rockland Rd., Grove St., Richards Ave., Pond St., Spring St.

Respectfully submitted,

GORDON M. RICHARDS, Tree Warden

## Report of the Moth Superintendent

I hereby submit the following report for the year 1961.

Appropriations Expenditures

\$200.00

\$200.00

Davis Rd., Grove St., Mower St.

Respectfully submitted,

GORDON M. RICHARDS,

Moth Supt.

## Report of Dutch Elm

I hereby submit the following report for the year 1961.

Appropriations Expenditures

SCHOOL FOR THE COLOR AND C

\$800.00

\$800.00

Spraying, Sampling, removing diseased Elms, trimming and disposal, Richards Ave., Spring St., Camp St., Mower St., Marshall St., South St., West St., Rockland Rd.

Respectfully submitted,

GORDON M. RICHARDS,

Dutch Elm Supt.

## Report of The Town Treasurer

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance, Jan. 1, 1961 \$114,280.98 Receipts, 1961 686,024.42

\$800,305.40

Payments, 1961 Balance, Dec. 30, 1961 \$696,863.56 103,441.84

\$800,305.40

### OUTSTANDING DEBT

 Water Bonds
 \$6,000.00

 New School
 315,000.00

\$321,000.00

### DUE ON OUTSTANDING DEBT-1962

water Bonds	Prin.	Int.
Due Feb. 1, 1962	\$2,000.00	\$120.00
Due Aug. 1, 1961		80.00
New School		
Due April 1, 1962		5,040.00
Due Oct. 1,1962	25,000.00	5,040.00
Totals	\$27,000.00	\$10,280.00

#### TRUST FUNDS

## Dog Fund

	1961	Prin.	Int.
Library Trust Funds	\$352.43	\$24,540.95	\$1,272.43
Cemetery Trust Funds		27,630.00	969.35
D. Russell Boynton Fur	nd	1,000.00	56.42
E. D. Bigelow School I	Fund	1,000.00	37.50
E. D. Bigelow VIS Fund	l ,	1,000.00	49.90
Totals		\$55,170.95	\$2,385.60

## Respectfully submitted,

## MARION E. MACCABEE,

Treasurer

## Wachusett Regional School District Com.

By election in the several towns and by appointment of the various school committees, the Wachusett Regional School District Committee was comprised of the following:

Holden	Expires	Term
Byron S. Davis, Chairman	Mar. 1963	3 years
William F. Lionett, Treas.	Mar. 1962	3 years
Mrs. Harriet S. Travis	Mar. 1962	1 year
Paxton		
Robert J. Hall	Mar. 1962	1 year
Bruce N. Smith	Mar. 1964	3 years
Princeton		
C. Wesley Dingman	Mar. 1963	3 years
David Krashes	Mar. 1962	1 year

#### Rutland

Herbert W. Burbank	Mar. 1962	3 years
Nelson M. Calkins, Jr., Sec.	Mar. 1962	1 year

#### Sterling

Mrs. Avis C. Bourne	Mar.	1964	3 years
David P. Atkins	Mar.	1962	1 year

During the year the committee held 19 regular meetings, three special meetings and several sub-committee meetings on special phases of committee work, especially the budget. School opened in September with very crowded conditions, but soon the classes were moved into the new addition. This addition is now fully in use, and it is expected that the school will again be overcrowded within two years.

The committee has spent a great deal of time studying possible solutions to the expansion problem during the past year.

The salary schedule as adopted in 1960 was continued, giving teachers a \$100.00 increase in salary. A Career Recognition Plan was adopted on a trial basis to attract and keep superior teachers.

The Joe Berg Science Seminar was continued, and the summer school program was well attended. Enrollment increased to 139 this year, and 75% of those enrolled were taking enrichment courses.

It was decided to discontinue the Adult Education Program because of the small enrollment in the fall session and general lack of interest.

The School Lunch Program began as soon as the addition to the cafeteria was completed. During the 1960-1961 school year an average of 859 meals per day were served to students and faculty.

Your committee wishes to thank the administration, staff, pupils and parents for their cooperation in making ours a better school.

### Respectfully submitted,

NELSON M. CALKINS, Jr. Secretary

# Wachusett Regional School District Treasurer's Report

### 1962 Operations

In the calendar year 1962 the District will operate with a budget of just over one million dollars. The budget (which covers two-thirds of the 1961-1962 school year and one-third of the 1962-1963 year) at \$1,014,178.00 is up \$68,807.00 or 7.3% over the 1961 budget. This increase is accounted for by an increase of \$75,142.00 or 11.3% in operating costs and a decrease of \$6,335.00 or 2.1% in debt service.

As is usual, the largest share of the operating budget, \$563,978.00 or 77.9% is required for salaries. This represents an increase of \$59,478.00 over the 1961 figure with no change in percent of total. The percentage of salaries going to District administration was 2.4% in 1961 and even with the addition of an assistant superintendent for the last third of 1962 will be but 2.8% of total salary account.

In determining the 1962 assessment on member towns, some \$32,274.00 state reimbursement received in 1961 for the addition was used. In our accounts this amount appears at the end of 1961 in Surplus. It seemed logical to use this in determining the 1962 assessment although it must be recognized that in 1963 there may be a sizeable increase in the amount required for debt service. The following tabulation indicates probable debt and interest assessments for the entire plant which may be made in the next five years:

1963	\$149,700.00	1966	\$130,695.00
1964	143,365.00	1967	124,360.00
1965	137 030 00		

Reasons for using up the entire amount available in 1962 rather than reserving a portion for subsequent years included (1) the current budget contains nearly \$15,000.00 for equipment for the addition. This is a non-recurring expense; (2) Final determination of the remaining eight state payments on the addition will be made in 1962, and (3) There exists the possibility that there may be federal aid available for meeting debt service perhaps in 1963.

### 1961 Operations

The remainder of this report deals with what happened in 1961. It is our intention to give the citizens of each town as much data as possible so that they may judge for themselves the extent to which the District is operating on a sound financial basis.

There follows the actual receipts and expenditures for the past three years and those estimated for 1962:

## RECEIPTS

		ACTUAL	I	ESTIMATED
Item	1959	1960	1961	1962
Cash 1/1	\$49,677.39	\$35,585.11	\$194,609.16	
Assd. Mem. Towns	533,768.58	621,118.58	734,355.58	\$797,476.30
Tuitions	12,115.85	9,325.20	14,664.28	16,000.00
State Reimburse.	80,653.92	80,493.92	192,768.50	141,127.62
Federal Grants	6,162.91	17,300.54	13,752.05	20,050.00
Misc. and Rentals	2,160.15	(1)10,974.89	5,903.29	3,250.00
Cafeteria Receipts	50,069.38	54,849.43	57,797.70	
Athletic Fund Receipts	4,524.70	3,428.78	4,445.30	
Ad. Ed. Fees (2)	3,412.80	3,467.82	1,938.65	
Sum. Sch. Fees (2)		2,300.00	3,875.00	4,000.00
Amounts Withheld	1,314.52	532.00		***************************************
Sale of Bonds		1,000.600.00		
Matur. Gvt. Bonds		1,200.000.00	1,810,000.00	60,000.00
Tsf. from Surplus		(3)	(4)	32,274.58
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$743.860.20	\$3,039,976,26	\$3,034,109.51	\$1.014.178.50

\$143,860.20 \$3,039,976.26 \$3,034,109.51 \$1,014,178.50

## **EXPENDITURES**

		ACTUAL		ESTIMATED
Item	1959	1960	1961	1962
General Control	\$11,346.58	\$13,572.20	\$15,309.51	\$19,250.00
Exp. Instruction	366,656.07	420,543.97	470,819.67	537,471.00
Operation Plant	53,019.26	54,367.03	62,576.38	87,700.00
Maintenance	18,891.81	11,300.28	8,393.29	(5) 13,200.00
Outlay	9,313.75	10,330.25	· ·	The second secon
Auxiliary Agencies	22,366.38	26,757.93	35,511.79	0.55
Cafeteria	52,841.83	53,704.08	58,187.99	(7)
Athletic Fund	4,376.91	4,592.51	The state of the s	
Refunds: A. Ed., S. S.		96.00		
Debt and Interest	169,462.50	184,127.50	297,042.50	290,707.50
Gvt. Bills Purch.		1,926,429.36		
New Bldg. Expense		139,546.00	838,679.13	
Withheld			1,800.41	
TOTAL SPENT	\$708,275.09	\$2,845,367.11	\$2,920,269.72	\$1,074,178.50
Cash 12/31	35,585.11			(8)
	\$743,860.20	\$3,039,976.27	\$3,034,109.51	\$1,074,178.50

#### Income Statement Notes:

- (1) Includes large insurance settlement on damage to boiler.
- (2) Expenses included in regular operation accounts (3) \$10,000.00 transferred to operating accounts (4) \$15,000 transferred to operating accounts (5) includes \$4,000 which will be placed in Contingency Maintenance Reserve (6) includes \$6,500.00 settlement of legal case (7) Cafeteria Manager's salary included in 1962 operating accounts (8) Operating cash \$94,808.06; Maintenance Fund \$4,033.39; Building Account \$14, 998.34.

#### II. Balance Sheet

Balance Sheet figures for the past three year-ends follow:

Balance Sheet ngure	s for the pas	st three year-	ends follow:
	ASSETS	\$	
Item	12/31/59	12/31/60	12/31/61
Cash	\$35,585.11	\$194,609.16	\$113,839.79
Accounts Receivable			
Holden	328,971.28	392,296.10	421,000.66
Paxton	58,074.85	64,357.58	73,235.57
Princeton	57,354.77	58,632.12	58,626.01
Rutland	78,877.28	94,943.34	98,204.28
Sterling	97,840.40	124,126.44	146,409.78
Tuition	361.02	5,254.76	4 11
Gvt. Bills at Cost		740,610.57	59,566.93
Misc. Receivable		1,221.47	.05
Total Assets	\$657,064.71	\$1,676,051.54	\$970,883.07
	Liabilitie	s	
Revolving Funds:			
Cafeteria	\$1,880.84	\$2,090.11	\$1,699.82
Athletic Fund	2,164.07	936.46	1,610.20
Tailing Account	22.17	22.17	22.17
Federal Grants	3,745.00		
Revenue reserved	. 10		
until collected:			

Town Assess.	621,118.58	734,355.58	797,476.30
Departmental	361.02	5,254.72	
Pre. Chap. 32B			53.28
Cont. Maint. Fd.	2		(9)4,033.39
Appr. Bal. Sch. Bldg.	a/c = 35.89	875,271.00	74,565.27
Withheld	1,314.52	1,800.41	
Surplus	26,422.62 (	10) 56,321.09 (	11) 91,422.64

Total Liabilities \$657,064.71 \$1,676,051.54 \$970,883.07

Balance Sheet Nots: (9) District has established a Contingency Maintenance Reserve Fund to be used in the event of major repairs. \$4,000.00 per year is set aside in Maintenance account in operating budget (10) Contained \$15,000.00 transferred to operating 1/1/61 and \$9,092.74 government grants to vocational education which had been included in 1961 receipts. (11) Contained \$32,274.58 state construction aid received in 1961 and transferred 1/1/62 and \$9,205.00 government grants to vocational education which had been included in 1962 receipts.

### III. School Building Account

At the time this report was prepared the work on the addition had not been completed. Through the end of 1961 expenditures for the new construction totaled \$978,225.00. In addition to the \$1,000,600.00 raised by the bond issue,other receipts were: interest earned on government bills—\$29,904; from operating budget—\$21,558; and miscellaneous sources \$1,126.00. The 1962 operating budget contains \$13,500.00 for new equipment. A complete report of the cost of the addition will be contained in the 1962 report of the District Treasurer.

#### III. Bonded Indebtedness

(As of December 31, 1961)

Net Funded Debt	\$2,375,000.00
Bonds dated 6/1/51 at 2.20%	
\$5,000.00 yearly through 1971	50,000.00

Bonds dated 6/1/52 at 1.90 % \$75,000.00 yearly through 1972	825,000.00
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\$50,000.00 yearly through 1973	600,000.00
Bonds dated 2/15/60 at 3.50% \$100,000.00 yearly through 1971	900,000.00
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#### IV. Growth of District

### Pupils and Costs

The purpose of this section of the report is to give some measure of how the District costs and enrollments have grown and how the growth has occurred by towns.

The first portion of the following tabulation shows that in five years the number of students has increased 32.3%. The second portion shows that during the same period the cost to the towns for their assessments increased 18.5% per pupil. This includes the cost of servicing the additional capital debt for the addition. These figures should not be used for any other measurement than that of assessment per pupil.

## Number of Pupils

(As of October 1)

					Cl	nange	57-61
Town	1957	<b>195</b> 8	1959	1960	1961	No.	%
District	969	1,047	1,095	1,145	1,282	313	32.3
Holden	535	563	594	624	688	153	28.6
Paxton	92	103	103	100	118	26	28.3
Princeton	88	89	98	87	89	1	1.1
Rutland	117	134	135	145	154	37	31.6
Sterling	137	158	165	189	233	96	70.1

## Assessment per pupil

(Per Fiscal Year)

× .					Cł	nange	58-62
Town	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962	No.	%
District	\$525	\$510	\$568	\$639	\$622	\$97	18.5
Holden	508	498	554	629	612	104	20.5
Paxton	520	503	564	643	621	101	19.4
Princeton	544	535	585	674	659	115	21.1
Rutland	547	524	584	654	638	91	16.6
Sterling	562	538	587	659	628	66	11.7

## WILLIAM F. LIONETT,

District Treasurer

# Report of The Water Commissioner

and the sections					
Outstanding, Jan.	1, 1961				
Metered Water				\$236.21	
Installations				146.13	
a					\$382.34
Committed, 1961					
Metered Water	w. 14 1 2			\$16,789.00	
Installations				3,287.88	
			_		
					\$20,076.88
Overpayments		1 5			
Metered Water				\$18.72	
Installations				.29	
			10.7	. 511	
					\$19.01
Refunded					φ10.01
Installations					£10.45
Installations					\$10.45
Total				-	\$20,488.68

Receipts, 1961 Metered Water Installations		
		\$19,086.65
Abated		
Metered Water		\$15.76
Overpayments		
Installations		7.15
Transferred to Water Liens		385.70
Outstanding, Dec. 30, 1961		
Metered Water	\$569.35	
Installations	424.07	
		0000 10
The state of the s		\$993.42
Total		\$20,488.68

In 1961, there were 51 new connections made bringing the total full paid installations to 635.

One hydrant was installed on Walbridge Road.

The 6" water main was extended on Suomi Street about 1050 feet.

Settlements on the Asnebumskit Reservoir land taking were made with the Natural History Society and seven of the individual property owners for a total of approximately \$36,000.00. We are expecting that the total settlements should not be over \$50,000. There will be a balance of about \$32,000 which will be unused of the appropriation voted in 1960.

As soon as the necessary engineering work can be completed so definite price estimates can be obtained, we plan on asking for additional money to be raised by bond issue to construct the necessary dams and move the pump station so that the level of the pond can be raised.

With the increase in new building and new connections, our program of increasing our reservoir capacity must be pushed as fast as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN H. OSGOOD, Ch. HAROLD A. MARTIN, Clerk CHANNING H. WASHBURN,

Board of Water Commissioners

## Report of The Town Accountant

#### RECEIPTS-1961

General Revenue:				
Taxes:				
Levy of 1961				
Polls	·		1,240.00	
Personal			5,372.25	
Real Estate	351		228,156.45	
		1	-	234,768.70
Levy of 1960				
Polls			4.00	
Personal			13.55	
Real Estate			5,135.03	
		,		5,152.58
Levy of 1959				
Personal			193.80	
Real Estate			848.12	
				1,041.92

Levy of 1958 Personal Real Estate	280.00 1,120.00	
Tax Titles	120.00	1,400.00
Tax Titles		
		120.00
From State		
Income Taxes	10,238.05	
Corporation Taxes Bus.	7,125.00	
School Aid Ch. 70	18,246.54	
2.000		
		35,609.59
Licenses:		
Liquor	2,540.30	
Permits	137.00	A Pita
		2,677.30
Grants and Gifts—State		
School Transportation	18,276.65	
Vocational	168.82	
Old Age Meal Taxes	387.34	
School Construction	24,917.58	
School Superintendent	748.34	
Grants—Federal		44,498.73
	4.004.00	
Old Age Assistance	4,881.90	
Old Age Adm.	552.11	
Disability Assistance	914.60	
Disability Adm.	102.20	
Aid Dependent Children	61.50	
Aid Dependent Children Adm.	3.90	
Medical Aid for Aged Medical Aid for Aged Adm.	1,741.29 86.81	
Medical Ald for Aged Adm.	00.01	
		8,344.31

From County		
Dog Fund	352.43	
Dogs Destroyed	<b>156.0</b> 0	
(0): 0).7		508.43
	_	
Total—General Revenue	\$	334,121.26
Special Assessments:		
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes		
Levy of 1961	39,934.36	
Levy of 1960	11,196.92	
Levy of 1959	462.31	
Levy of 1958	22.60	
		51,616.19
Farm Animal Excise Taxes		01,010.10
Levy of 1961	213.95	
Levy of 1960	22.00	
		235.95
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Total—Special Assessments		51,852.14
Commercial Revenue:		
General Government:		
Collector—Demands	16.45	
Town Clerk—Dog Licenses	654.75	
Police—Licenses	20.00	
Bicycle Reg.	14.75	
Accidents	69.00	
Sealers Fees	21.90	
Dutch Elm Disase	73.52	
Court Fines	165.000	
Building Permits	385.00	
Board of Appeals	80.00	
Planning Board	115.00	
	8	1,615.37

Health		
Permits	7.50	
Inspection of Animals	25.00	
Tuberculosis Hospital	156.00	
	147.93	
Polio Clinic	35.00	
Nurse—Calls	238.00	
		609.43
Highways:		
State		
State:	7 494 90	
Chapter 81	7,484.20 $1,799.84$	
Chapter 90 Maint.		
Chapter 90 Const.	4,999.92	things! .
Snow Plowing	307.95	
	11-1	14,591.91
County:		14,091.91
Chapter 90 Maint.	1,799.84	
Chanter 90 Const	2,499.96	
Chapter 30 Const.	2,400.00	
		4,299.80
Tractor Rentals	5,307.70	.,
Garage Rentals	300.00	
The Art of the Control of the Contro	-	
		5,607.70
Public Assistance:		
State:		
Old Age Assistance	2,524.11	
Old Age Adm.	276.05	
Aid Dependent Children Adm.	1.95	
Disability Assistance	610.70	
Disability Assistance Adm.	51.10	
Medical Aid for Aged	1,147.41	
Medical Aid for Aged Adm.	43.40	
Veterans Services	2,255.57	
, Socialis Polytoos		
	Tarreston	6,910.29
		3,010.20

Schools:		
Telephone	.15	
Manual Arts	50.00	
Rent of Hall	10.00	
National Defense Edu.	251.27	
6.0.2022		311.42
School Cafeteria		
Lunches	13,531.18	
State Aid	4,676.07	
		18,207.25
Library:		
Fines	248.60	
Books Sold	4.50	
Summer School	120.00	
State Aid	503.79	
		876.89
Total—Commercial Revenue	, en 7 A	\$53,030.06
Public Services:		
Electric Light Dept.:		
Rates	113,355.97	
Meter Guarantee	90.00	
Interest—Meter Fund	11.56	
Interest—Depreciation Fund	41.72	
	-	113,499.25
Water Department:		110,400.20
Rates	16,131.59	
Installations	2,955.06	
Liens	275.67	
Liens	219.01	
		19,362.32
Cemeteries:		
Perpetual Care	1,100.00	
Opening Graves	455.00	

Care of Lots	72.50	
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1,627.50
Total—Public Services		134,489.07
Interest:		1
On Taxes	320.18	
On School Funds	37.50	
On Library Funds	1,272.43	
On Cemetery Funds	969.35	
On Water Loan	48.75	trob - hill
		0.040.01
No. 1 in 1 To July June 2		2,648.21
Municipal Indebtedness:		
Anticipation of Revenue	50,000.00	
Water—Purchase of Land	30,000.00	
		a marki
		80,000.00
Total—Interest—Debts		\$82,648.21
Agencies:		
Witholding Taxes	20,320.82	
Retirement Funds	3,286.76	
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	2,474.88	
Group Insurance	689.21	
State Taxes	1,635.61	
Total Agencies		\$28,407.28
Refunds:		
Taxes	118.00	
Library P. O. Box	3.40	
Medical Aid Check	15.00	
Veterans Service	96.20	
Old Age Assistance	47.15	
Insurance	436.83	
Insurance Electric Light Dept.	625.00	
T. B. Hospital	76.50	
I. D. Hospital	10.00	

Schools	43.27	
Cafeteria	12.00	
Od. Street Listing	1.00	
Sealer	1.75	
18 AB 07		1,476.10
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$(	686,024.42
PAYMENT	S	
GENERAL GOVE	RNMENT	
Moderator:		
Salary	35.00	
Expenses	11.00	
Sings 50,000,00 1	wall in getter	46.00
Selectmen:	To remigically	
Salaries	900.00	
Clerical	250.00	
Printing—Postage	62.39	
Carfare	20.21	
Dues—Meetings—Semiar	80.98	The second of
Adv.—Travel	139.00	
Others	3.69	
	ia) (d. miki sessi).	1,456.27
Town Accountant:		
Salary	500.00	
Clerical	9.00	
Repair Add. Machine	5.75	
Postage	7.00	
Supplies	34.39	
	Edwido: NAZO	556.14
Treasurer:		
Salary	1,000.00	
Printing—Postage	187.00	
Safety Box Rent	7.00	

Travel Dues	67.00 4.00	
		1,265.00
Collector:		
Salary	1,000.00	
Printing—Postage	181.00	
Deputy—Bond	10.00	
Dues	4.00	
Typing	30.00	
		1,225.00
Assessors:		
Salaries	900.00	
Abstracts	193.13	
Printing—Postage	107.97	
Auto—Assessing	60.00	
Clerical	450.00	
Dues—Meeting	18.00	
		1,729.10
Finance Committee:		
Clerical	100.00	
Dues	8.75	
T-1		108.75
Legal Town Counsel	1,938.80	
		1,938.80
Town Clerk:		
Salary	200.00	
Recording	67.01	
Printing—Postage	29.84	
Storage Cabinet	55.00	
Binders	26.65	
Dues—Meeting	21.50	
		400.00

Registrars:		
Salaries	100.00	
Printing Forms	3.40	
Voters Book	27.00	
Street Listing	101.75	
	ering—Posterc	232.15
Elections:		
Tellers	173.13	
Ballots	80.38	
		253.51
Board of Appeals:		
Supplies	8.46	
Advertising	61.62	
Clerk	26.00	
	y iii Whot	96.08
Planning Board:		
Dues	20.00	
Work on Numbering	125.00	
Meetings	59.20	
Printing	113.70	
Microfilms	279.50	
Supplies	45.49	
Subscription	8.00	
Clerk	100.00	
		750.89
Record Building:		
Labor—Materials		
Supplies	10.55	
29.84		
Town Hall:		
Janitor	1,144.00	
Fuel	496.20	
Lights	131.62	
Janitors Supplies	36.70	

Repairs	760.15	
Telephones	277.60	
Water	20.00	
Plates for Officers	24.50	
Others	75.39	
in a not resident of		
		2,966.16
Total—General Government		\$13,064.40
Protection:		
Police Department:		
Patrolling	3,450.00	
Telephone	236.12	
Uniforms	119.40	
Cruiser Repairs	168.19	
Gas and Oil	394.39	
Repairs to Office	17.34	
Rent	120.00	
Oxygen	46.40	
Photos	53.66	
Camera	58.03	
Parking Signs	79.55	
Dues—Travel	28.80	
Office Expense	61.12	
		4,850.00
School Traffic:		4,000.00
Guard at Crossing	605.96	
		605.96
Fire Department:		000.90
Engineers Salaries	500.00	
Siren	24.00	
Alarm Tel.	282.00	
Maint. of Apparatus	826.28	
Rents	564.00	
Compensation	223.50	

Dues New Equipment	39.00 $404.35$	
		2,863.13
Fire Station Land	3,000.00	
7.56		3,000.00
Tree Warden: Moth Dept.:		
Labor and Scouting	200.00	
Dutch Elm Disease:		200.00
Labor	584.00	
Spraying	216.00	
_		800.00
Tree: Labor—Trimming and Removal	800.00	
		800.00
Sealer:		
Salary Die	$50.00 \\ 3.50$	
		53.50
Inspection:	250.00	
Buildings—Salary Assistance—Salary	$350.00 \\ 5.00$	
Travel	249.50	
Printing Forms	50.50	
		655.00
Dog Officer:		
Dogs Investigated	298.47	298.47
Civil Defense:		
Expenses	130.45	
		130.45

Equipment	248.75	4-37
83.0 vd,8		248.75
Total Protection		\$14,705.26
Health and Sanitation:		
Health:		
Salaries	150.00	
Clerical	69.00	
Agents Salary	50.00	
Incinerator Expense	25.33	
Polio	24.00	
Dump—Care, Labor, Lease	1,371.94	
Office Supplies	45.95	
_		1,736.22
T. B. Hospital:		
T. B. Hospital	279.00	
Nurse—Salary and Expense	1,423.34	
201.000		1,702.34
Inspector of Animals: Salary	50.00	
10.03T N		50.00
Inspector of Meat: Salary	5.00	
Gishibitight's		
Collection of Garbage:		5.00
Contracts	2,721.06	
	1,075.161	2,721.06
Total Health and Sanitation		6,214.62
Highways:		
Chapter 81:		
Labor	5,352.02	
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Trucks	2,395.57	
Materials	3,876.89	
		11,624.48
Chapter 90 Maint.	110 1939 103/4	
Labor	1,198.86	
Trucks	1,412.30	
Materials	2,788.22	
	wall P	5,399.38
Chapter 90 Const. 1961:		
Labor	2,366.12	
Trucks	3,879.60	
Materials	698.58	
Culvert	10,995.60	
	v forbloom	17,939.90
Chapter 90 Const. 1960:		
Labor	130.84	
Trucks	101.35	
		232.19
Snow Removal—Sanding:		
Labor	7,578.28	
Trucks	4,138.01	
Materials	283.49	
		11,999.73
Snow Fence:		
Purchased	250.00	
	- 1 to 100 to 10	250.00
MunicipalGarage:		
Fuel	481.75	
Light	105 70	
Telephone	128.99	
Supplies	77.74	
ouppites .		
6,862.02		812.18

Tractor Equipment:		
Traffic Lights	37.45	
Repairs	1,081.12	
Supplies	1,358.54	
Tools	6.50	
Gas and Oil	1,796.19	
and the state of t	a Pileto by Tro	4,279.80
Vacation and Sick Leave:		
Employees	1,353.36	
	physiological poly	1,353.36
New Tractor	10,500.00	
New Sander	2,200.00	
2		12,700.00
Surfacing Streets	4,984.66	
Maintenance	244.95	
	THE RESERVE	5,229.51
Street Lights		0,229.01
Current	3,208.15	
School Traffic	0,200,120	
Current	31.09	
		3,239.24
Total Highways		\$75,059.77
Public Assistance:		
Public Welfare:		
Salaries	150.00	
Expenses	1,296.21	
Civil Service Employee	337.40	
	* (***********************************	1,683.61
Old Age Assistance:		1,000.01
Cash Grants	8,855.88	
Custi Giunto	0,000.00	

Adm.	976.95	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
		9,832.73
Medical Aid for Aged		
Cash Grants	1,841.50	
		1,841.50
Aid Dependent Children		_,=
Aid	545.52	VerV
		545.52
Disability Assistance		
Aid	3,134.56	
Adm.	96.11	
		3,230.67
Veterans Service		
Agent Salary	150.00	
Agent Expenses	50.57	
Aid	2,895.43	
	-	
		3,096.00
Total Public Assistance	~ -	\$20,230.03
Schools:		
Committee—Salary	375.00	
Clerk for Committee	22.50	
Supt. Salary	1,191.08	
Supt. Asst.,—Salary, Travel	625.66	
Clerical	1,337.77	
Clerk of School	371.88	
Office Expense	536.25	
Teachers—Salaries	85,569.36	
Coaching	225.00	
Books	1,915.76	
Supplies	2,974.34	
Films	304.21	
Library	326.85	

Tuition—Special	1,904.32	
Transportation	21,007.40	
Janitor Services	7,675.19	
Janitor Supplies	776.25	
Fuel, Light and Water	5,673.93	
Maintenance of Building	880.72	
New Equipment	1,604.42	
Rent of Office	178.20	
Insurance	120.54	
Health—Physician	250.00	
Nurse	1,096.92	
Testing	374.81	
Others	1,003.74	
		138,846.10
Title III National Education	1,197.97	
		1,197.97
School—Repairs		
Old Building	3,000.00	
	2,01111	3,000.00
School Study Committee		,
Expense	25.00	
Expense	20.00	
		25.00
School Cafeteria		
Payrolls	7,586.40	
Foods	10,202.73	
Supplies	371.10	
Express	116.40	
Wachusett Regional High		18,176.63
Assessment	CA 957 50	
Assessment	64,357.58	
		64,357.58
School Cafeteria		
New Oven	850.00	

Cafeteria Share	228.00	
	- 1200 men	1,078.00
Library		
Librarian	1,200.00	
Assistants	706.50	
Janitor	600.00	
Books	1,287.84	
Periodicals	92.15	
Fuel	314.49	
Lights	63.30	
Repairs	577.97	
Extinguishers	111.00	
Care of Grounds	35.50	
Janitors Supplies	62.80	
Water	20.00	
Librarian Supplies	79.10	
Express	21.40	
Clerk	50.00	
Petty Cash	50.00	
Others	181.49	
State Aid	499.89	
		5,953.43
Total School and Library		\$232,634.71
Recreation		
Common		
New Flag	50.58	
Labor	226.85	
Consultant	200.00	
Life Guard House	1,125.45	
83,138,13		1,602.88
Playground		
Labor and Trucks	916.75	
Materials	531.69	
Lights	71.96	

Instructors		
HISLEHCIOES	717.50	
Mowing	144.37	
C10.08.		2,382.27
Fourth of July		
Celebration	597.55	
		597.55
Unclassified		
Damages to Property	1,150.00	
Memorial Day	243.16	
Care of Town Clock	60.00	
Repairs on Clock	4.71	
Printing Reports	1,053.15	
Insurance	5,714.23	
Officers Bonds	344.95	
Illig Place	420.48	
Stabilization Fund	10,000.00	
		18,990.68
		10,000.00
Total Recreation and Unclassifi	ed -	\$23,573.38
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Public Services	ed 225.00	يب الدعائد
Public Services Water Dept.		
Public Services Water Dept. Commissioners	225.00	
Public Services  Water Dept.  Commissioners  Superintendent	225.00 1,493.19	
Public Services  Water Dept.  Commissioners  Superintendent  Clerk	225.00 1,493.19 200.00	
Public Services  Water Dept.  Commissioners  Superintendent  Clerk  Printing and Postage	225.00 1,493.19 200.00 263.24	
Public Services  Water Dept.  Commissioners  Superintendent  Clerk  Printing and Postage  Addressing	225.00 1,493.19 200.00 263.24 12.40	
Public Services  Water Dept.  Commissioners  Superintendent  Clerk  Printing and Postage  Addressing  Labor	225.00 1,493.19 200.00 263.24 12.40 3,778.89	
Public Services  Water Dept. Commissioners Superintendent Clerk Printing and Postage Addressing Labor Trucks	225.00 1,493.19 200.00 263.24 12.40 3,778.89 531.25	
Public Services  Water Dept.  Commissioners  Superintendent  Clerk  Printing and Postage  Addressing  Labor  Trucks  Pipe and Fittings	225.00 1,493.19 200.00 263.24 12.40 3,778.89 531.25 2,104.79	يب الدعائد
Public Services  Water Dept.  Commissioners  Superintendent  Clerk  Printing and Postage  Addressing  Labor  Trucks  Pipe and Fittings  Maintenance	225.00 1,493.19 200.00 263.24 12.40 3,778.89 531.25 2,104.79 1,350.58	يب الدعائد

Water Survey Purchase of Land	30,048.75	
Western The Land		30,048.75
Water—Extension Suomi Street	4,135.69	
	10	4,135.69
Electric Light Dept.		1,100.00
Commissioners	225.00	
Manager	620.00	
Clerical	576.00	
Postage and Supplies	219.87	
Printing	269.78	
Travel	102.80	
Telephone	38.30	
Meter Deposits	103.06	
Employees	18,101.10	
Current	78,167.98	
Tools	113.52	
Ice Storm	2,392.65	
Sub-Station	462.70	
Meter—Transformers	11,876.36	
Materials	9,370.16	
Trucks—Maint.	308.83	
Insurance	772.54	
Gas and Oil	496.44	
Bulldozer and Crane	357.75	
Garage Rent	300.00	
Testing	26.98	
All Others	116.13	
-		
Cemeteries		125,017.64
Supt. Labor	156.00	
Labor Trucks	1,073.66	
Clerical	56.60	
Gas for Mowers	75.00	
Gas for Mowers	15.84	

Markers Trees Equipment Maint. Others	228.09 225.00 95.78 46.70	
	e a faja e jaja	1,972.67
Total Public Services		\$172,564.75
Interest		
Anticipation of Revenue	355.56	
School Bonds	10,880.00	
Water Bonds	280.00	
a promer		11,515.56
Certification of Notes	6.00	11,010.00
•		6.00
Municipal Indebtedness		0.00
Anticipation of Revenue	50,000.00	
School Bonds	25,000.00	
Water Bonds	2,000.00	
Patrick Til		77,000.00
	fer.	
Total Interest and Debts		\$88,521.56
Agencies		
State Parks	1,041.26	
Auditing	402.32	
County Tax	6,322.83	
T. B. Hospital—County	3,636.61	
Pensions—Town Employees	3,491.71	
Withholding Taxes	20,320.82	
Retirements Funds	3,286.76	de de la
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	4,996.80	
Group Insurance	1,401.52	
County Dog Licenses	641.50	
State Taxes	1,609.26	
		47,151.39

# Trust and Invested Funds Cemetery Perpetual Care of Lots 1,100.00

Cemetery Perpetual Care of	Lots 1,100.00	
	r called a later and a later	1,100.00
Total Agencies and Trust Fu	ind	\$48,251.39
Refunds		
Taxes	9.00	
Polls Real Estate	2.00 586.95	
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	1,278.99	
General Departments	64.81	
Others	110.94	
Total Refunds	HWG MID.	\$2,043.69
TOTAL PAYMENTS		\$696,863.56

### SUMMARY

### RECEIPTS-1961

General Revenue	\$334,121.26
Special Assessments	51,852.14
Commercial Revenue:	
General Government	53,030.06
Public Services	134,489.07
Interest and Indebtedness	82,648.21
Agencies	28,407.28
Refunds	1,476.10
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$686,024.42
Cash Bal Jan. 1, 1961	114,280.98
	\$800 305 40

### **PAYMENTS**

General Revenue	\$13,064.40
Protection	14,705.26
Health—Sanitation	6,214.62
Highways	<b>75,059.77</b> .
Public Assistance	20,230.03
School and Library	232,634.71
Public Services	172,564.75
Recreation and Unclassified	23,573.38
Interest and Debts	88,521.56
Agencies and Trusts	48,251.39
Refunds	2,043.69
TOTAL PAYMENTS	\$696,863.56
Cash Bal. Dec. 31, 1961	103,441.84

Respectfully submitted,

ETTA E. ROBINSON,
Town Accountant

\$800,305.40

TOWN OF PAXTON

## BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1961

ASSETS		LIABILITIES		
Cash:		Tax Titles	\$120.00	
General	103,441.84	Highway Machinery Rentals	5,307.70	
Accounts Receivable:		Veterans Service Accts. Receivable	281.53	
Taxes:		Electric Light:		
Levy of <b>1961</b>		Depreciation	7,479.90	
Personal	474.95	Meter Guarantee	303.79	
Real Estate	6,135.65	Cemeteries:		
Levy of 1960		Acct. Receivable	479.50	92
Personal	194.50	Town Clerk:		
Real Estate	743.17	Dog Licenses	13.25	
Motor Vehicle Excise		Illig Place:		
Levy of 1961	3,705.92	Rents	714.56	
Levy of 1960	1,058.49	Maintenance	67.31	
Levy of 1959	363.79	Blue Cross-Blue Shield	3.19	
Tax Title Possessions	355.02	Group Insurance	13.16	
State	IV II 3	State Taxes—Withheld	26.35	
Highway Ch. 81	2,444.10	State Parks—Overestimate	86.32	
Highway Ch. 90 Maint.	1,800.00	Revenues:		
Highway Ch. 90 Const.	12,000.00	Motor Vehicle Excise	5,091.43	

County Ch. 90 Maint.	1,800.00	Tax Titles	355.02
County Ch. 90 Const.	5,000.00	Aid to Highways	23,044.10
State	3,227,38	Electric Light	4,345.10
Public Assistance		Water Dept.	1,205.96
Aid Dependent Children	36.44	Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	1,807.77
Reserve Fund Land Damage	500.00	Overlay 1961	207.71
Group Approp.	373.32	Overlay 1960	2,463.32
Old Age Assistance	56.51	Overlay 1959	947.13
Revenue—Departmental	530.58	Overlay 1958	1,400.00
Electric Light Rates	4,345.10	Loans Authorized—unissed	52,000.00
Water Rates	979.41	Reserve Fund	1,704.98
Water Liens	237.00	Accounts Reserved	3,418.33
County Tax Underestimate	42.42	Federal Grants:	2,727,30770
Loans Authorized	52,000.00	O. A. Adm.	492.31
	1 2	O. A. Aid	6,067.64
		Aid Dep. Child. Adm.	11.31
M. C. H. C. and C. and C. C.		Aid Dep. Child. Aid	48.75
tests #1" here box	and the state of t	Dis. Asst. Adm.	161.36
		Dis. Asst. Aid	493.94
		Medical Aid Adm.	86.81
		Medical Aid Aid	1,681.29
		School Cafeteria	53.18
		National Defense Edu.	253.30
		School Needs Study	175.00

		Library Income	75.97
		Library State Aid	3.90
		Water Extensions	414.44
		Cemetery—Income	236.01
		Electric Light Const.	878.16
		Surplus—Excess and Deficiency	74,597.43
TOTAL ASSETS	\$198,618.21	TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$198,618.21
	DEBT A	CCOUNT	
Net Funded or Fixed Debt	321,000.00	School Construction:	
	0,000	Inside Debt Limit	\$55,000.00
		Outside Debt Limit	260,000.00
		Water System	6,000.00
	\$321,000.00		\$321,000.00
	TRUST AND INVES	TMENT ACCOUNTS	
Trust and Invested Funds:		In Custody of Treasurer:	
In Custody of Treas.	\$56,934.31	D. R. Boynton Charity	\$1,320.28
In Custody of Trustee	9,117.98	E. D. Bigelow School	1,000.00
	-,	Geo. E. Bigelow Library	500.00
		Richard Memorial Library	1,668.87

\$66,052.29		\$66,052.29
	Charles D. Boynton Fund	9,117.98
	In Custody of Trustee:	
	Post War Rehabilitation	989.96
	Cemetery Perpetual Care	27,673.84
	Dr. A. J. Howe	141.38
	E. D. Bigelow Village Imp.	1,267.90
	E. D. Bigelow Library	22,372.08

## ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

### SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

OF THE

# TOWN of PAXTON

**MASSACHUSETTS** 



FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1961

Whitney Press, Paxton, Mass.

## Report of the School Committee

The School Committee is pleased to submit the following pages of reports and statistics concerning the activities of the School Department with the hope that the voters of the town will gain a better understanding of the problems and accomplishments of this Department. A rise in pupil enrollment is again apparent, and with this, inevitably, some increase in costs of school operation.

During the year, the Committee has served as a part of the School Needs Study Committee, has met with the Board of Health, the Selectmen and with various individuals concerning Schoolrelated problems, at both special and regular scheduled meetings. The regular meeting is held on the Tuesday before the last Thursday of the month at 7:30 P. M. at the school and all interested townspeople are welcome to attend.

Also during the past year, Mr. Craig has served as the School Committee representative to the Public Health Advisory Committee, Mr. Smith as the representative to the Recreation Committee, and Mr. Hall as Paxton's representative to the Wachusett Regional High School Committee and as the Chairman of the School Union 24 Committee.

The 22-room addition to the Wachusett Regional High School, funds for which were voted by the town some time ago, is now complete and in service. In a continuing major maintenance program at the Center School, this year saw the installation of aluminum storm windows and a new roof on our frame building and continued progress in improving the classroom space such as the installation of floor and ceiling tile and new paint.

In November, the Paxton Center School was evacuated and pupils sent home in the first Disaster-Civil Defense practice alert in the State. In connection with this alert, the School Committee requested, through the School Needs Study Committee, that provision for a school shelter be included in plans for the proposed addition to the Center School, so the voters would have the opportunity of considering such a step when plans are presented for their approval.

If increasing enrollment should cause some inconvenience in the period ahead, prior to the completion of the coming addition, the Committee asks your continued support and cooperation, so that our educational program will be affected as little as possible.

In conclusion, the Committee wishes to thank the public, the Superintendent, the teachers, principal and staff for their cooperation during the past year and to express the hope for continued support in the future.

### Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES C. CRAIG REGINALD J. SMITH, Sec. ROBERT J. HALL, Chairman

### School Directory

#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Robert J. Hall, Chairman	Term	Expires	1962
Reginald J. Smith, Secretary	Term	Expires	1963
Charles C. Craig	Term	Expires	1964

### ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Dr. Charles L. Bowlby	Superintendent of Schools
William F. Carey	Asst. to the Superintendent
Mrs. Lois P. Drawbridge	Secretary, School Union 24
Mrs. Thelma K. Coffin	Secretary, School Union 24
Mrs. Winona C. Schulte	Secretary, School Union 24

### INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF

Charles D. McMonus	Duinging
Charles F. McManus	Principal
Miss Catherine T. Christmas	Grades VII & VIII
Richard M. Lane	Grades VII & VIII
Paul Zendzian	Grades VII & VIII
Charles P. Ricardi	Grades VII & VIII
Mrs. Agnes H. Barbadoro	Grade VI
Mrs. Florence G. Morrissey	Grade VI
Miss Sandra King	Grade V
Mrs. Stina B. Long	Grade V
Mrs. Janice S. Hansen	Grade IV
Mrs. Lydia B. Smith	Grade IV
Mrs. Judith Dickhaut	Grade III
Mrs. Eleanor K. Groden	Grade III
Miss Christine A. Romano	Grade II
Mrs. Helen C. Sullivan	Grade II
Miss Evelyn M. Bass	Grade I
Miss Marianna C. Romano	Grade I
Mrs. Rosemary J. McDonald	Household Arts
Robert G. Lister, Jr.	Industrial Arts

### SUPERVISORS

Miss Ruth S. Innes	Music
Richard H. Bowden	Instrumental Music
George N. Morris	Art
Miss Charlotte L. Crout	Art
Channing H. Washburn	School Physician
Mrs. Gladys Berg	School Nurse
Howard K. Cresswell	Head Custodian
Charles A. Craig	Custodian
Augustus W. Oatley, Chief of Police	Attendance Officer
Mrs. Dorothy Cooper	Cafeteria Manager
Paxton Garage, Inc.	Transportation

### SCHOOL CALENDAR—1961-1962

1st Quarter	Sept. 6, 1961—Nov. 19, 1961
2nd Quarter	Nov. 13, 1961—Jan. 26, 1962
3rd Quarter	Jan. 29, 1962—April 6, 1962
4th Quarter	April 9, 1962—June 22, 1962

#### SCHOOL HOLLIDAYS

October 12, 1961—Columbus Day November 3, 1961—Teacher's Convention November 22, 1961—Close at 12:30 November 23, 24, 1961—Thanksgiving Recess May 30, 1962—Memorial Day

#### SCHOOL VACATIONS

Dec. 25, 1961 to Jan. 2, 1962 Feb. 19, 1962 to Feb. 23, 1962 April 16, 1962 to April 20, 1962

#### ENROLLMENT

	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
Elem.	129	134	159	192	211	240
High School				39	54	62
	1956	1957	1958	1959	<b>196</b> 0	1961
Elem.	275	293	322	331	369	392
High School	78	93	102	103	100	118

#### GRADE ENROLL.—PAXTON ELEM. SCHOOL

September, 1961

Grade	60	70	49	59	IX 35	X 36	XI 43	XII 40
GRADE	ENF	ROLL	-WAC	HUSE	T RE	G. HIC	GH SC	HOOL

Grade IX X XI XIII 48 22 28 20

### WORCESTER BOYS TRADE HIGH SCHOOL James Groleau

WORCESTER GIRLS TRADE HIGH SCHOOL

Joan Mercier Maureen Preston

#### CENSUS—October, 1961\*

Age	Pre-School	Elementary	High School
Less than 1 y	r. 40		
1	39		
2	76		
3	54		
4	63		
5	61	9	
6		53	
7		72	
8		45	사람이 많아 없었다.
9		51	
10		43	
11		39	
12		43	
13		29	6
14		4	39
15		1	30

<sup>\*</sup> Birth to 16 years of age.

### Superintendent of Schools

Last year it seemed that Paxton might be able to escape a building program for a few years, provided that no great increase occurred in the lower grades. However, grade one and grade two enrolled 130 pupils in September 1961; with the census indicating a heavy enrollment in these grades in 1962. Faced by these conditions, Paxton appointed a school study committee and a building committee. These committees will prepare and recommend the necessary steps to avoid over-crowded classrooms.

It is hoped that action this year by the Wachusett Regional School District committee may lead to a solution which will provide modern Junior High School facilities to pupils in Paxton and neighboring towns.

I find the school and teaching staff operating at a highly efficient level under the able direction of Mr. McManus. A

planned annual repair and re-conditioning program, plus the thorough and skillful work of Mr. Cresswell and Mr. Charles Craig, is keeping the school building in excellent condition.

#### A Salute to Our Schools

We give our schools awesome assignments. From the most diverse materials—malleable, refractory, explosive—we expect them to fashion uniformly superior products. We ask them to tame the rebellious, embolden the timid, spur the laggard, sharpen the dull, and burnish the bright. We ask them to make every child good, competent, happy and useful.

We ask our schools to be the nation's first line of defense, the cradle of democracy, the forge of national unity, the generator of economic productivity, the seedbed of talent, and every child's highway to self-realization and the good life.

What we ask of our schools, they try valiantly to do. Let us praise our schools justly, and soberly appraise our own efforts to support them.

National Research Bureau, Inc., Chicago, Illinois.

Sincerely,

DR CHARLES L. BOWLBY, Superintendent of Schools

### Principal's Report

I am pleased to submit a report on the Paxton Center School for the year 1961. Our enrollment for 10/1/60 was 372 and for 10/1/61 was 390. This increase of approximately 5% is less than the preceding year, and considerably less than we can expect in the future. We can anticipate approximately 80 children in grade I for September 1962; a third section will be needed at that time.

Teachers who were newly appointed to the faculty for this year are as follows:

Grade III	Mrs. Judith Dickhaut
Grade V	Miss Sandra King
Grade VI	Mrs. Agnes Barbadoro
Grade VII and VIII	
Engish	Miss Catherine Christmas
Arithmetic	Mr. Paul Zendzian
Home Economics	Mrs. Rosemary McDonald
French	Mrs. Malou Kozely

The year 1961 was a time of many changes and considerable progress at the school. We cannot afford complacency in any area of education and yet the progress made is worthy of brief comment.

1. Achievement tests were administered in the spring and a remarkable degree of advance was registered over the preceding year. The statistics in the following table indicate the grade equivalent, e. g. 7.5 indicates grade 7, 5th month level.

Grade	1960 Testing	1961 Testing
IV	4.9	5.3
V	6.5	6.5
VI	7.5	8.0
VII	8.2	9.4
VIII	8.8	10.1

- 2. Conversational French is now a part of the curriculum in grades 4, 5 and 6. The program has proven itself extremely successful. We are fortunate to have Mrs. Malou Kozely, a native of France as instructor, who is teaching the pupils to speak with a true French accent.
- 3. Reading is now departmentalized at the 4th, 5th and 6th grade level for the second year. The achievement test results indicate greater progress was made under this system than we could normally expect. In addition to this we have scheduled some teaching of reading into grades 7 and 8, chiefly to take care of pupils who during their elementary years did not reach a satifactory reading level.

- 4. In order to further upgrade the instruction of pupils, a system of grouping pupils known as "ability grouping" was instituted last September for grades 4-8. The grouping of pupils for instruction within a classroom has been traditional. Grouping by class is designed to allow teachers to focus their attention and methods of instruction at a narrower range of pupil ability, rather than disperse it over a group which encompasses all levels of intelligence, ability, achievement and interest.
- 5. Physical Education has received due emphasis during this year, thanks to the voluntary work done by Mrs. Chapin Fay. Pupils in the entire school receive 15 minutes of calisthenics each day in addition to a weekly physical education class which lasts approximately 30 minutes.

A very active intra-mural sports program is sponsored by Mr. Richard Lane for the Junior High classes.

- 6. Mrs. Dorothy Cooper, cafeteria manager, and her staff are commended for their work in the preparation of hot lunches for approximately 75% of the children each day. The cost per child is 25c for which he receives a meal which is nutritonally balanced. Last year the Federal Government subsidized the school lunch program by giving us food such as lamb, turkey, butter, and flour, worth over \$2,400.
- 7. The school is fortunate to have excellent custodial service. Mr. Charles Craig was employed during the year to assist the head custodian. During the summer a start was made on renovation of the old building; a new roof was put on; storm windows were added and one of the classrooms was completely remodeled.
- 8. During the year the school auditorium was used over fifty nights by organizations such as the Boy Scouts, Recreation Committee activity; P. T. A., Town Election and Police Department. The investment which was made for acoustical tile in the room has made it far more useful to the community. Any organization interested in renting the room is invited to contact the principal.

9. The largest class in Paxton's history was graduated last June, a group composed of the following 43 students:

Carolyn M. Abdella Paul J. Blavackas Bradford C. Brodeur Nancy C. Burtt Edward R. Calhane Gerald A. Childs Bradford L. Davis Linda L. Demas Donna M. Desrosiers Laurie P. Duvarnev Joyce E. Erickson Juanita M. Fanning Andrew B. Fay Wayne A. Greenslit Richard D. Grensavitch Robert T. Griffin Marie A. Groccia Dennis L. Groleau Stephen A. Hammar Ramona L. Hassan Mary-Beth Hayes

James F. Hughes Alice F. Jacobs Robert P. Kielinen Diane J. Lamotte Paul C. Lampson John W. LeGacy Maureen A. Maher Irene L. Mardin Dennis A. Martin Susan McGovern Wendy A. Morrison Richard G. Palmer Glen L. Parks Alfred F. Perrone Lewis H. Pitcher Barbara A. Sheckleton Linda J. Sullivan Gerald W. Udell Bruce V. Wilson Linda J. Witkowski Susan M. Wright

Susan E. Yarrington

Awards: American Legion — John W. LeGacy and Laurie Duvarney; Hazel Gay Award—Louis Pitcher; Paxton Teachers Association—Barbara Sheckleton and Edward Calhane.

We are most greatful to the school committee, the administration and to the PTA for their support and encouragement during the year. With your continued assistance we can anticipate continued progress toward our goal, excellence in education.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES F. McMANUS
Principal

# Art Supervisor of School Union 24

The past year has been a year of transition in the conduct of the art program and in the plans being laid for its future. Primarily, the major change is the decision of the Holden School Committee to withdraw its support of a union art program and to supply its own art saff beginning with the school year 1962-63.

As a consequence, this is, in effect, my final report as art supervisor of School Union 24, and I shall devote most of it to a brief summary and a recommendation or two for future consideration. The six years during which I have been art supervisor of this union have been gratifying in my relationships with the teachers, students, and administration. However, these same years have brought about practically no improvements in the existing art facilities. This, in turn, has limited the art opportunities for the children by making impractical many of the more expansive and active projects which are a necessary part of a complete art program.

Until there is sufficient storage space for materials in the classrooms, display space for both two and three-dimensional art works, and adequate work space, the full potential of an art program to develop the creative possibilities within each child will not be realized. It may be that the only way in which this can be done is to provide an art room in each building. Certainly this must be true at the junior high school level. In any case, the importance of an art program should be thoroughly studied by each school committee in order to make future judgments about it. I shall be happy to consult with any committee in this matter if such should be useful.

In conclusion, I should like to remind all concerned with the future of the schools in Union 24 that education, including art, is not an expense but an investment in the most valuable naturable resourc which we posses—our children; and it will only be with this in mind that we will have an adequate art program.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE N. MORRIS, Art Supervisor

# Report of the Music Supervisor

The Supervisor met weekly with all grades and carried on a program of listening, rhythmic activities and building a fine song repertory.

In the General Music Class, Gr. VII and VIII, an appreciation for the best of many types of music was encouraged through listening and analysis, as well as singing.

The Glee Club performed in the spring for the P.T.A. and at the Graduation Exercises.

A large group of students from Gr. IV-VIII attended the Children's Concert in the Worcester Auditorium in October.

Tonettes, a pre-band instrument, were taught in Gr. IV to reemphasize music reading skills and to facilitate the selection of those pupils who are interested in studying an instrument...

About twenty pupils participated in the instrumental program. The Rutland-Paxton Band was inaugurated allowing the advanced pupils to gain valuable experience in band playing. They performed at the Spring Concert and the Graduation Exercises.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH S. INNES,

Supervisor of Music

### French Program

The French program at Paxton School is now in its third year and extends to the fourth, fifth and sixth grades.

A total of 116 children participate in the program.

They are distributed at follows:

4th grade	60
5th grade	26
6th grade	30
Total	116

When the program was first started, all children were scheduled to take French, whatever their scholastic abilities and achievement. It soon appeared that better results would be obtained with smaller, more homogeneous groups.

Starting in September, 1961, a selection was made between those children whose interest and ability fully warranted their continued participation in the learning of a second language and those who, in the judgment of their teachers, should concentrate on, and improve their achievement in, the other subjects before being taught a second language fruitfully.

The French program has already met with considerable success. The large majority of the children love it and many parents have expressed their interest and their hope that the program will be continued and extended to Junior High School.

The emphasis of the program is placed on conversation. The children are taught a basic day-to-day French vocabulary with special emphasis on correct pronunciation. In this respect, it should be mentioned that all our French teachers are natives of French-speaking European countries.

Classroom activity and exercises are devised to accustom the children to using this vocabulary in simple sentences commonly used in daily life by children of their age. To this end, audio-visual aids are widely used, viz., records, film strips, posters, games, etc., which make the classroom exercises lively and sustain the children's interest through active participation.

As another measure of the success of our program, it is interesting to note that several parents are brushing up on their French and carrying on French conversation with their sons or daughters at home. Several instances have been reported where the children are correcting their parents' pronunciation.

In a world where intercommunication between peoples is becoming more and more vital and at a time when understanding between peoples become more essential, the learning of foreign languages is of paramount importance. There is no better time than in early school years for acquainting a child with the sounds and forms of a foreign language.

We are confident that this early acquaintance with French vocabulary and conversation will prove highly beneficial to the children when later they are exposed to more advanced study of the language.

Respectfully submitted,

#### MRS. MALOU KOZELY

# Report of the School Nurse

Clinics	held	during	the	school	year	were	as	follows:

1 Vaccination	27
3 Diptheria-tetanus	84
1 Pre-school registration	38
Physical Exams by Dr. Channing Washburn	115
School Visits	79
Nurse teacher Conferences	77

Nurse-pupil Conferences	21	1
Audio-Visual Exams (Individuals)	63	8
Conferences and Meetings	3	0

Continued emphasis on physical fitness prevails, and Mrs. Virginia Fay has been appointed part-time physical education instructor. The daily calisthenics program has been met with enthusiasm by the parents. Mrs. Fay has evaluated the posture of each pupil as they have come down for their audio-visual exams, the latter all being done individually. Pupils with problems are checked by Dr. Washburn, and the proper exercises are recommended. Physical fitness tests are being given in grades 4 through 8, in accordance with Presidents Kennedy's program.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. GLADYS M. BERG, R. N.

# Wachusett Regional High School Principal's Report

#### ENROLLMENT

As was anticipated, the school population has continued to grow in numbers, On January 5, 1962, we had a total enrollment of 1,303 students, 144 more than last year, divided as follows: Holden, 687; Sterling, 232; Rutland, 153; Paxton, 118; Princeton, 90; Oakham,19; and 1 each from West Boylston, Berlin, Sudbury and Worcester. Class sizes this year are: Post Graduates, 4; Seniors, 258; Juniors, 283; Sophomores, 323; Freshmen,435. There are 652 boys and 641 girls. At the beginning of the school year we were badly cramped for space since the new addition was not ready for use. Classes were set up in corridors, on the stage, in the faculty dining room, in the check room, in the Auditorium, Library, and in the cafeteria. Some large rooms had two

classes operating at the same time. In short, every possible nook and cranny was utilized, always considering the safety of the students.

On September 25th, the six classrooms on the top floor of the addition became available for use by the English Department. On October 3rd, we were able to use our new cafeteria and the additional serving line for the first time. October 9th saw the Language Department start operating in its six rooms on the lower level of the new section. On October 16, six rooms on the middle floor were put in use, three by the Math Department, two by the Social Studies Department, and one as a Study Hall. With the installation of their equipment, the two new shops and the Mechanical Drawing Room have opened as have finally the three science labs which were delayed for some time because plumbers were not available to connect the gas, water and sewage lines. At present, thre are many small things remaining to be done. However, we are using all the new areas and the pressure has been relieved, at least temporarily. This relief will be of short duration, however, since projected enrollment figures for next year point to a student body of 1,482, 132 over the optimum capacity of 1,350.

#### STAFF

Because of the expanding size of our building and the marked increase in enrollment, the size of the staff also is considerably larger. We now have 2 Administrators, 3 Guidance Personnel, 73 Teachers, 1 Librarian, 1 Nurse 4 Secretaries, 18 Cafeteria Workers and 10 Custodians.

As frequently happens, changes in personnel have occurred. Charles LaPrade, Assistant Principal for several years, left us to become Principal of the West Boylston Junior-Senior High School. His place has been filled by Martin White, former head of our Science Department.

In the Guidance Department, Spencer Potter has replaced Edmund Kelsey who retired at the end of school last year.

In the English Department we have six new teachers: Joseph Bates, Miss Carole Brown, Miss Judith Caldwell, Mrs. Gretchen Jareckie, Miss Margaretha Knuyt, and Richard Phelps. Miss Knuyt is an exchange teacher from Holland and has taken over the classes of Albert Theriault who is replacing her this year in Holland. Mrs. Katherine Bourne and Mrs. Patricia Carlson have left the teaching profession.

In the Business Department an additional teacher was needed. He is James Athanas,

The Language Department experienced two changes. Miss Elizabeth Malboeuf replaced Marc Tetreault and Paul Dauphinais was added to the department.

Mrs. Marian Eames resigned from her Home Economics position. No replacement was needed because of limited enrollment.

In the Mathematics Department, Mrs. Sheila Bachant and William Nesbitt left and were replaced by George Morin and Miss Joyce Teir. Lawrence Bergmann was also added to this group..

An additional instructor was needed in both Boys' and Girls' Physical Education. These are Richard Swanson and Mrs. Doris Gustafson. To replace Mrs. Athunacia Gaynor, who resigned, we have Miss Linda Viarengo.

Changes also took place in the Science Field. Named Department Head was Norman Mills. To replace Mr. White, Ronald Spakauskas was engaged, Frederick Robbins replaced Miss Noreen Arnberg, and Miss Judith Miller was added to teach Chemistry.

An extra teacher, Mrs. Ann Shetler, was needed for Social Studies and Forrest Gilmore was engaged to teach the newly organized "Special Class".

#### **CLASS OF 1961**

Incomplete information about the 260 graduates of the Class of 1961 is as follows:

Number attending 4 year colleges	89
Number attending 2 year colleges	26
Number attending nursing schools	9
Number attending other schools	7
Number entering Armed Services	11
Working	30

Members of the Class of 1961 attending the following institutions:

Amer. Inter, Col	1	Springfield Col.	1
Anna Maria Col.	2	Tri-State Col.	1
Assumption Col.	1	Tufts Univ.	1
Clark Univ.	4	U. S. Naval Acad.	1
Coast Guard Acad.	1	Univ. of Col.	1
Colby Col.	1	Univ. of Maine	1
Duke Univ.	1	Univ. of Mass.	14
Elmira Col.	1	Univ. of N. H.	1
Fitchburg St. Col.	1	Univ. of Wisconsin	2
Framingham St. Col.	2	Westfield St. Col.	1
Georgetown Univ.	2	Wor. St. Col.	8
Gordon Col.	1	Wor. Polytechnic Inst.	3
Lowell Tech. Inst.	2	Yankton Col.	1
Marietta Col.	3	Becker Junior Col.	2
Mass. Col. of Art	1	Franklin Inst.	1
Middlebury Col.	3	Lasell Junior Col.	2
Nasson Col.	3	N. E. Sch. of Account.	3
N. E. Col.	2	Stockbridge Sch.of Agri.	2
Col. of New Rochelle	1	Ward School	3
Nichols Col.	1	Wor. Junior Co.	8
N. E. Univ.	3	Wor. Art Museum Sch.	1
Norwich Univ.	2	Hahnemann Hosp.	1
Olivet Col.	1	Heywood Mem. Hosp.	2
Pembroke Col.	1	Mass. Gen. Hosp.	1
Pratt Inst.	1	Memorial Hosp.	3
Princeton Univ.	2	Boston Sch. of Dent. N.	1
Rocky Mt. Col.	1	Culinary Inst.	1
Skidmore Col.	1	Leo's Beauty School	3

#### HONORS

- 2 Merit Scholars
- 1 Certificate of Merit
- 10 Letters of Commendation
  - 1 Exchange student from Japan to Wachusett
- 1 Exchange student from Wachusett to Italy
- 4 Seniors in Joe Berg Science Seminar
- 1 NROTC appointment in University of Wisconsin
- 1 Naval Academy appointment
- 1 Coast Guard Academy appointment
- 1 University Scholar at Princeton University
- 2 Awards of Merit in Massachusetts Industrial Education Society Project Fair (Industrial Arts)
- 1 Winner Tenth Annual Spanish Speaking Contest— Scholarship to Mexican University for summer
- 1 2nd Place Tenth Annual Spanish Speaking Contest
- 1 Gold Seal Award ) Massachusetts Industrial Education
- 1 Certificate of Merit) Society Project (Mech. Drawing)
- 1 Scroll for Excellence) University of Mass. Math Contest
- 1 Certificate of Merit
- 2 Students accepted under Early Decision Plan—one at Pembroke College and one at Tufts University

#### AWARDS

Thirty-five members of this class received awards totalling \$44,975.00, as follows:

Robert Baggs	Wachusett Teachers Assoc.	\$200.00
	Current Affairs Club	100.00
H. Bradford Barber	Holden Kiwanis Club	50.00
Bruce Bell	Ellis-Hubley Scholarship	1,300.00
	Latin Club Scholarship	100.00
	Student Council Scholarship	100.00
Joyce Bigelow	Rutland Grange	50.00
Susan Bond	French Club Scholarship	50.00
Aleta Bourget	Wor. Co. Amer. Legion	
	Hosp. Scholarship	150.00
	Paxton P.T.A.	100.00
Donna Dalton	Sterling Women's Club	100.00

	Lucie Donway	Pembroke College	800.00
	Sheila Dulmaine	Georgetown University	550.00
		Wachusett Teachers Assoc.	400.00
		French Club Scholarship	75.00
	Ruth Fitzgerald	Holden Women's Club	100.00
		Kiwanis Club of Holden	50.00
	Joan Friel	Mass. Scholarship Foundation	700.00
	Lloyd George	Coast Guard Academy	
		\$2,000 yr.	8,000.00
	Dennis Harrington	Middlebury Colege	1,200.00
	John Henrickson	McCracken Div. Kings Mkt.	100.00
		Mass. Scholarship Foundation	500.00
	Walter Henry	U. S. Naval Acad.	
		\$2,000 yr.	8,000.00
	Mary Ikalainen	Future Teachers of America	100.00
	Cathleen Janes	Rutland Grange	50.00
	Colin Johnson	Naval Officers Training Corp. (R	les.)
		\$2,000 yr.	8,000.00
	Robert A. Johnson	Paxton Women's Club	
		Scholarship	200.00
	Robert L. Johnson		200.00
	Robert Lane	Elmer Ream Scholarship	75.00
	David Lionett	Holden Players Club	
		Scholarship	100.00
	James Lonergan	Princeton University	1,500.00
		Latin Club Scholarship	100.00
•	Margaret Lorenz	Wachusett Teachers Assoc.	200.00
		McCrakin Div. Kings Mkt.	100.00
		Chaffins Women's Club	
		Scholarship	50.00
	Robert McMahon	Pratt Institute	600.00
	Sallie Maki	Holden Women's Club	
		Scholarship	200.00
	John Najemy	Princeton University	1,100.00
	James Nystrom	Merit Scholar \$800 yr.	3,200.00
	William O'Connor	Assumption College \$1,000 yr.	4,000.00
	Arthur Peabody	Merit Scholar \$450 yr.	1,800.00
	Madeline Pond	Future Nurses Club	
		Scholarship	50.00

Joann Smith	Wachusett Teachers Assoc.	200.00
Julie Tarbell	Rutland P.T.A.	200.00
Linda Wall	Elmer Ream Scholarship	75.00
Georgia Washburn	Holden Players Club	
	Scholarship	100.00

### LIBRARY

The Library continues to be a vauable part of the school plant. Data concerning it follows.

### Volumes in Library:

Fiction		1,369	
Non-Fiction			
Reference		550	
Teachers'		59	
Other non fiction		2,967	
	1	4,945	
Less withdrawals	•	157	
Total	-	4,788	
Number of books added September,	1960	—June 1	.96
Fiction		87	

#### N 61:

Non-fiction	267
Total	354

### Periodicals:

Magazines (incl	. 8 gift	subscrip.)	60
Newspapers (da	ily)	-201	2
Newspapers (St			1
Newspapers (W	eekly) (2	2 French)	3
		· 11/1/2	
Total			66

#### Circulation:

	<b>Fiction</b>	Non-Fiction
September	184	287
October	263	354
November	178	323
December	165	311
January	186	373
February	154	257
March	173	375
April	123	296
May	167	297
June	13	21
(Library Closed June 9) Total	1,606	2,894
Total fiction and non-fiction		4,500

All in all, in spite of crowded quarters; the confusion caused by the work on the addition; classes being shifted from one area to another repeatedly, and other irritations of this type; we are, I feel, off to a good start and things should now smooth out rapidly. To those many hard-working people who have assisted me so ably in making Wachusett an outstanding school, many thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

NEAL T. SKILLINGS, Wachusett Regional High School

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