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## TOWN OFFICERS 1938

### MODERATOR

RUFUS B. DUNBAR

### TOWN CLERK

HERBERT S. ROBINSON

### COLLECTOR OF TAXES

AUSTIN W. WHITNEY

### TREASURER

ETTA E. ROBINSON

### AUDITOR

WILLIAM L. SHIPMAN

### CONSTABLES

GAYLORD B. PIKE

ARTHUR F. STEVENS

### TREE WARDEN

LUCIUS W. PARKER

### SELECTMEN

CARL H. WOOD

Term expires 1939

MARY M. DANIHER

Term expires 1940

GEORGE C. HUNT

Term expires 1941

### BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

EDWARD L. MACCABEE (Deceased)

Term expires 1939

GLIDDEN B. PIERCE (Appointed)

Term expires 1939

EVELYN M. GLEASON

Term expires 1940

ARTHUR J. CROMPTON

Term expires 1941

### ASSESSORS

GEORGE C. HUNT

Term expires 1939

CARL H. WOOD

Term expires 1940

FRED E. WATSON

Term expires 1941

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

|                  |                   |
|------------------|-------------------|
| MAY N. LIDSTROM  | Term expires 1939 |
| CHARLES C. CRAIG | Term expires 1940 |
| HARRY CLARK      | Term expires 1941 |

## MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD

|                                 |                   |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| FRANK A. REED (Resigned)        | Term expires 1939 |
| ROBERT L. CARPENTER (Appointed) | Term expires 1939 |
| ALLEN S. HUTCHINS               | Term expires 1940 |
| FRANK GRIFFIN                   | Term expires 1941 |

## CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

|                                |                   |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| GUSTAVUS A. ROSSIER (Deceased) | Term expires 1939 |
| ELLA B. CATHERWOOD             | Term expires 1940 |
| BESSIE G. WATSON               | Term expires 1941 |

## WATER COMMISSIONERS

|                     |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| WILLIAM J. McKINLEY | Term expires 1939 |
| WALTER H. BROWN     | Term expires 1940 |
| ROBERT L. CARPENTER | Term expires 1941 |

## PLANNING BOARD

|                     |                   |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| EDMUND A. REISER    | Term expires 1939 |
| MILTON P. LADD      | Term expires 1940 |
| ARTHUR J. CROMPTON  | Term expires 1941 |
| ROBERT L. CARPENTER | Term expires 1942 |
| RUFUS B. DUNBAR     | Term expires 1943 |

## LIBRARY TRUSTEES

|                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| DR. WILLIAM L. SHIPMAN | Term expires 1939 |
| MILTON P. LADD         | Term expires 1939 |
| SAMUEL L. CLAPP        | Term expires 1940 |
| IRENE M. REED          | Term expires 1940 |
| MARGUERITE E. CALLAHAN | Term expires 1941 |
| MAY N. LIDSTROM        | Term expires 1942 |



**Appointed by the Selectmen**

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CARE OF TOWN CLOCK

LEWIS B. CURTISS

JANITOR OF TOWN HALL

GEORGE MACCABEE (Resigned)

WESLEY G. FERRY (Appointed)

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

WALTER V. PIKE

CHIEF OF POLICE

ARTHUR F. STEVENS

DOG OFFICER

GEORGE MACCABEE

CARE OF FLAG

GEORGE MACCABEE

POUND KEEPER

ELIOT L. CROUCH

FIRE WARDEN

ROY M. WENTWORTH

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

J. RALPH BARCLAY

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

JOSEPH H. PARK (Left Town)

ERDIE G. NICHOLS (Appointed)

FENCE VIEWERS—FIELD DRIVERS

ELIOT L. CROUCH

SAMUEL VAN WYCK

GUSTAVUS A. ROSSIER

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

FRED R. DIFLEY

CHESTER M. ROSSIER

JOHN D. OLMSTEAD

BUILDING INSPECTOR

ARTHUR J. CROMPTON

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

EUCLID R. LOMBARD

CARE OF COMMON

LEROY CLOCKEDILE

**REPORT OF AN AUDIT**

OF THE

**ACCOUNTS**

OF THE

**TOWN OF PAXTON**

FOR THE PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 7, 1937

TO JULY 7, 1938

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Made in Accordance with the Provisions of  
Chapter 44, General Laws

December 5, 1938.

TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Mr. George C. Hunt, Chairman

Paxton, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Paxton for the period from September 7, 1937, to July 7, 1938, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

THEODORE N. WADDELL,

Director of Accounts.

MR. THEODORE N. WADDELL

Director of Accounts

Department of Corporations and Taxation

State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Paxton for the period from September 7, 1937, the date of the previous audit, to July 7, 1938, the following report being submitted thereon.



The books and accounts of the accounting officer were examined and checked, the reported receipts being compared with the financial records of the several departments collecting money for the town and with the treasurer's books. The payments, as recorded on the accounting officer's ledger, were checked to the treasury warrants authorizing disbursements and with the treasurer's cash book.

The accounting officer's ledger was analyzed, and after the necessary adjusting entries were given to the accounting officer to bring the ledger up to date, a trial balance was taken off proving the accounts, as adjusted, to be in balance. A balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on July 7, 1938.

The balance sheet indicates several overdrawn accounts, in which connection attention is called to the fact that to incur liabilities in excess of appropriations is contrary to Section 31, Chapter 44, General Laws.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were analyzed and compared with the records in the several departments collecting money for the town and with the other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were checked to the selectmen's warrants authorizing the disbursement of town funds.

The cash on hand on July 7, 1938, was verified by actual count and the bank balances were reconciled with state-

ments furnished by the banks of deposit, the reconciliation of the cash on the above date indicating that the sum of \$1,072.07 was due from the treasurer. Another reconciliation of the treasurer's cash was made on October 18, 1938, at which time the cash discrepancy was found to be \$1,105.72. The treasurer should promptly pay this amount into the town treasury.

The payments on account of debt and interest were checked with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities on file.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investment of the various trust funds in the custody of the treasurer were examined and listed. The income was proved and the withdrawals were checked with the treasurer's receipts.

The tax title deeds on hand were listed and the amounts transferred to the tax title account were verified, a further verification being made by a comparison of the deeds on hand with the records in the Registry of Deeds.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked in detail. The taxes outstanding at the time of the previous examination were audited and all subsequent tax commitments were analyzed and compared with the warrants given by the assessors for the collection of the taxes.

The collector's payments to the treasurer were checked to the treasurer's cash book, the abatements were compared

with the assessors' records of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved with the accounting officer's ledger accounts.

The outstanding accounts were verified by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the outstanding accounts, as listed, are correct.

The work of the collector has been performed in a painstaking and efficient manner.

The appropriations voted by the town were listed from the town clerk's records and checked to the accounting officer's ledger.

The assessors' computation of the tax rate for 1938 was examined and checked, and it was noted that two appropriations from available funds voted by the town were not considered in the determination of the tax rate.

In this connection attention is called to Section 23, Chapter 59, General Laws, which requires that the assessors raise all sums appropriated since the last preceding annual tax assessment, and which also provides that deductions on account of appropriations voted from available funds in the treasury may be made by the assessors only upon the written approval of the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation. All appropriations voted by the town, whether they are to be raised by taxation or transferred from available funds in the treasury, should therefore be certified by the

town clerk to the assessors, as required by Section 15-A, Chapter 41, General Laws.

The books and accounts of the municipal water and light departments were examined and checked. The commitments were checked, the recorded collections were compared with the records of receipts by the treasurer, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled.

The surety bonds of the officials required by law to furnish them were examined and found to be in proper form.

The records of licenses and permits issued by the selectmen were examined and the collections were checked to the receipts as shown on the treasurer's cash book.

The accounts of the sealer of weights and measures were examined and checked, the payments to the treasurer being verified by a comparison with the treasurer's records.

In addition to the departments mentioned, the books and accounts of the bureau of old age assistance and of the public welfare department were examined and checked.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, summaries of the tax and departmental accounts, together with tables showing the trust fund transactions.

For the cooperation extended by the several town officials during the progress of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,  
Assistant Director of Accounts.



## RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

|                                     |             |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Balance September 7, 1937,          |             |             |
| per previous audit                  | \$11,816 23 |             |
| Receipts September 7 to             |             |             |
| December 31, 1937                   | 48,369 35   |             |
|                                     | <hr/>       |             |
|                                     |             | \$60,185 58 |
|                                     |             | <hr/>       |
| Payments September 7 to             |             |             |
| December 31, 1937                   | \$54,047 95 |             |
| Balance December 31, 1937           | 6,137 63    |             |
|                                     |             | \$60,185 58 |
|                                     |             | <hr/>       |
| Balance January 1, 1938             | \$6,137 63  |             |
| Receipts January 1 to July 7, 1938: |             |             |
| Entered                             | \$44,681 23 |             |
| Not entered                         | 1,704 68    |             |
|                                     | <hr/>       |             |
|                                     | \$46,385 91 |             |
|                                     | <hr/>       |             |
|                                     |             | \$52,523 54 |
| Payments January 1 to July 7, 1938: |             |             |
| Per warrants                        | \$45,903 34 |             |
| In anticipation of warrant          | 13 90       |             |
|                                     | <hr/>       |             |
|                                     |             | \$45,917 24 |
| Balances July 7, 1938:              |             |             |
| Guaranty Bank and Trust Company,    |             |             |
| per check book                      | \$1,192 02  |             |

|                                                                  |             |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| The Mechanics National Bank,<br>per check book                   | 1,596 23    |
| The Mechanics National Bank,<br>per check book                   | 549 57      |
| Worcester County Trust Company,<br>per check book                | 80 45       |
| First National Bank of Westborough,<br>per check book            | 24 00       |
| Worcester County Institution for<br>Savings, per book No. 252520 | 843 62      |
| People's Savings Bank,<br>per book No. 206037                    | 322 84      |
| Cash in office, verified                                         | 925 50      |
|                                                                  | <hr/>       |
|                                                                  | \$5,534 23  |
| Due from treasurer July 7, 1938                                  | 1,072 07    |
|                                                                  | <hr/>       |
|                                                                  | \$6,606 30  |
|                                                                  | <hr/>       |
|                                                                  | \$52,523 54 |

GUARANTY BANK AND TRUST COMPANY  
WORCESTER, MASS.

|                                           |            |
|-------------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance July 7, 1938, per statement       | \$2,529 39 |
| Balance July 7, 1938, per check book      | \$1,192 02 |
| Outstanding checks July 7, 1938, per list | 1,337 37   |
|                                           | <hr/>      |
|                                           | \$2,529 39 |

THE MECHANICS NATIONAL BANK  
WORCESTER, MASS.

|                                           |            |
|-------------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance July 7, 1938, per statement       | \$1,601 23 |
| Balance July 7, 1938, per check book      | \$1,596 23 |
| Outstanding checks July 7, 1938, per list | 5 00       |
|                                           | \$1,601 23 |

THE MECHANICS NATIONAL BANK  
WORCESTER, MASS.

|                                           |          |
|-------------------------------------------|----------|
| Balance July 7, 1938, per statement       | \$559 57 |
| Balance July 7, 1938, per check book      | \$549 57 |
| Outstanding checks July 7, 1938, per list | 10 00    |
|                                           | \$559 57 |

WORCESTER COUNTY TRUST COMPANY  
WORCESTER, MASS.

|                                           |            |
|-------------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance July 7, 1938, per statement       | \$1,500 56 |
| Balance July 7, 1938, per check book      | \$ 80 45   |
| Outstanding checks July 7, 1938, per list | 1,420 11   |
|                                           | \$1,500 56 |

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF WESTBOROUGH

|                                           |          |
|-------------------------------------------|----------|
| Balance July 7, 1938, per statement       | \$622 07 |
| Balance July 7, 1938, per check book      | \$ 24 00 |
| Outstanding checks July 7, 1938, per list | 598 07   |
|                                           | \$622 07 |

Balance July 8, 1938 \$ 6,606 30

Receipts July 8 to October 18, 1938 19,475 70

Overdrawn bank accounts October 18,

1938, per check books:

Worcester County Trust

Company \$ 610 26

Guaranty Bank and Trust

Company 1,241 73

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\$1,851 99

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\$27,933 99

Payments July 8 to October 18, 1938:

Per warrants \$23,355 73

In anticipation of warrant 1 00

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\$23,356 73

Balances October 18, 1938:

The Mechanic National Bank,

per check book \$1,566 80

First National Bank of West-

borough, per check book 23 00

The Mechanics Nat'l. Bank,

per check book and  
statement 549 57

Worcester County Institution

for Savings, per book

No. 252520 731 51



|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| People's Savings Bank,   |            |
| per book No. 206037      | 217 23     |
| Cash in office, verified | 383 43     |
|                          | <hr/>      |
|                          | \$3,471 54 |

|                                     |             |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Due from treasurer October 18, 1938 | 1,105 72    |
|                                     | <hr/>       |
|                                     | \$27,933 99 |

THE MECHANICS NATIONAL BANK  
WORCESTER, MASS.

|                                            |            |
|--------------------------------------------|------------|
| Balance October 18, 1938, per statement    | \$1,612 27 |
| Balance Oct. 18, 1938, per check book      | \$1,566 80 |
| Outstanding checks Oct. 18, 1938, per list | 45 47      |
|                                            | <hr/>      |
|                                            | \$1,612 27 |

FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF WESTBOROUGH

|                                            |         |
|--------------------------------------------|---------|
| Balance Oct. 18, 1938, per statement       | \$71 07 |
| Balance Oct. 18, 1938, per check book      | \$23 00 |
| Outstanding checks Oct. 18, 1938, per list | 48 07   |
|                                            | <hr/>   |
|                                            | \$71 07 |

WORCESTER COUNTY TRUST COMPANY  
WORCESTER BRANCH

|                                            |          |
|--------------------------------------------|----------|
| Balance Oct. 18, 1938, per statement       | \$367 64 |
| Overdraft Oct. 18, 1938, per check book    | 610 26   |
|                                            | <hr/>    |
|                                            | \$977 90 |
| Outstanding checks Oct. 18, 1938, per list | \$977 90 |

**GUARANTY BANK AND TRUST COMPANY  
WORCESTER, MASS.**

|                                            |            |            |
|--------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Balance Oct. 18, 1938, per statement       | \$1,643 50 |            |
| Overdraft Oct. 18, 1938, per check book    | 1,241 73   |            |
|                                            | <hr/>      |            |
|                                            |            | \$2,885 23 |
| Outstanding checks Oct. 18, 1938, per list |            | \$2,885 23 |

**TOWN OF PAXTON  
Balance Sheet—July 7, 1938  
GENERAL ACCOUNTS  
ASSETS**

**Cash:**

|                     |            |             |
|---------------------|------------|-------------|
| In Banks and Office | \$5,548 13 |             |
| Due from Treasurer  | 1,072 07   |             |
|                     | <hr/>      |             |
|                     |            | \$ 6,620 20 |

**Accounts Receivable:**

**Taxes:**

|              |           |           |
|--------------|-----------|-----------|
| Levy of 1934 | \$ 48 37  |           |
| Levy of 1935 | 4 00      |           |
| Levy of 1936 | 904 12    |           |
| Levy of 1937 | 9,406 42  |           |
| Levy of 1938 | 38,074 08 |           |
|              | <hr/>     |           |
|              |           | 48,436 99 |

**Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:**

|              |         |
|--------------|---------|
| Levy of 1933 | \$ 3 47 |
| Levy of 1936 | 66 67   |

|                                    |            |           |
|------------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| Levy of 1937                       | 162 69     |           |
| Levy of 1938                       | 551 27     |           |
|                                    | <hr/>      | 784 10    |
| Special Assessments:               |            |           |
| Moth 1936                          | \$ 1 35    |           |
| Moth of 1937                       | 4 65       |           |
| Moth 1938                          | 39 30      |           |
|                                    | <hr/>      | 45 30     |
| Tax Titles                         | \$6,625 80 |           |
| Tax Title Possessions              | 592 15     |           |
|                                    | <hr/>      | 7,217 95  |
| State Aid to Highways—Chapter 81   |            | 4,350 00  |
| Water Charges                      |            | 50 27     |
| Electric Light Department:         |            |           |
| Consumers' Charges                 | \$2,881 81 |           |
| Due from Electric Light Department | 772 56     |           |
|                                    | <hr/>      | 3,654 37  |
| Estimated Receipts to be Collected |            | 11,956 02 |
| Overlay Deficits:                  |            |           |
| Levy of 1933                       | \$ 4 00    |           |
| Levy of 1937                       | 18 70      |           |
|                                    | <hr/>      | 22 70     |
| Old Age Assistance Tax Abatements  |            | 7 00      |

## Overdrawn Accounts:

|                     |            |             |
|---------------------|------------|-------------|
| 1936                | \$317 67   |             |
| 1937                | 12 79      |             |
| 1938:               |            |             |
| Highway Chapter 81  | \$392 20   |             |
| Old Age Assistance  | 486 24     |             |
| Library             | 359 55     |             |
| Dog Licenses—County | 3 80       |             |
|                     | <hr/>      |             |
|                     | \$1,241 79 |             |
|                     | <hr/>      |             |
|                     |            | 1,572 25    |
|                     |            | <hr/>       |
|                     |            | \$84,717 15 |

## LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

## Temporary Loans:

|                                         |             |
|-----------------------------------------|-------------|
| In Anticipation of Revenue 1938         | \$10,000 00 |
| State Tax                               | 1,280 00    |
| State Audit Assessment                  | 742 04      |
| State Parks and Reservations Assessment | 27 09       |
| Veterans' Exemption Assessment          | 6 06        |
| County Tax                              | 1,781 17    |

## Appropriation Balances:

|                                  |             |           |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| General                          | \$29,217 69 |           |
| Electric Light Operation         | 179 58      |           |
| Water System Construction        | 549 57      |           |
|                                  | <hr/>       |           |
|                                  |             | 29,946 84 |
| Cemetery Perpetual Care Bequests |             | 390 00    |
| Trust Fund Income                |             | 64 21     |



|                                      |           |             |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Accounts Payable to Town by Electric |           |             |
| Light Department                     |           | 772 56      |
| Highway Machinery Fund               |           | 285 50      |
| Electric Light Depreciation Fund     |           | 843 62      |
| Electric Light Meter Guarantee Fund  |           | 234 49      |
| Federal Grants:                      |           |             |
| Old Age Assistance—Assistance        | \$749 38  |             |
| Old Age Assistance—Administration    | 58 21     |             |
|                                      |           | <hr/>       |
|                                      |           | 807 59      |
| Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus         |           | 892 12      |
| Overlays—Reserved for Abatements:    |           |             |
| Levy of 1934                         | \$ 48 37  |             |
| Levy of 1935                         | 4 00      |             |
| Levy of 1936                         | 557 95    |             |
| Levy of 1938                         | 1,084 63  |             |
|                                      |           | <hr/>       |
|                                      |           | 1,694 95    |
| Revenue—Reserved Until Collected:    |           |             |
| Motor Vehicle Excise Tax             | \$ 784 10 |             |
| Special Assessment                   | 45 30     |             |
| Tax Title                            | 7,217 95  |             |
| Aid to Highways                      | 4,350 00  |             |
| Water                                | 50 27     |             |
| Electric Light                       | 2,881 81  |             |
|                                      |           | <hr/>       |
|                                      |           | 15,329 43   |
| Surplus Revenue                      |           | 19,619 48   |
|                                      |           | <hr/>       |
|                                      |           | \$84,717 15 |

**DEBT ACCOUNTS**

|                                |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Net Funded or Fixed Debt       | \$78,500 00 |
|                                | <hr/>       |
|                                | \$78,500 00 |
| School Building Loan           | \$ 4,000 00 |
| Water System Construction Loan | 70,000 00   |
| Playground Loan                | 4,500 00    |
|                                | <hr/>       |
|                                | \$78,500 00 |

**TRUST ACCOUNTS**

|                                            |             |
|--------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Trust Funds—Cash and Securities            | \$51,596 31 |
|                                            | <hr/>       |
|                                            | \$51,596 31 |
| D. Russel Boynton Charity Fund             | \$ 1,000 00 |
| Edward D. Bigelow School Fund              | 1,000 00    |
| George E. Bigelow Library Fund             | 500 00      |
| Richards Memorial Library Fund             | 1,668 87    |
| Edward D. Bigelow Library Fund             | 20,092 08   |
| Edward D. Bigelow Village Improvement Fund | 1,126 42    |
| C. D. Boynton Fund for General Purposes    | 7,648 00    |
| Howe Farm Fund                             | 4,000 00    |
| Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds              | 14,560 94   |
|                                            | <hr/>       |
|                                            | \$51,596 31 |

## Report of Assessors, 1938

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ASSESSED JANUARY 1, 1938

|                                                       |         |                   |
|-------------------------------------------------------|---------|-------------------|
| Polls Assessed                                        | 262     |                   |
| Tax on each poll                                      | \$2 00  |                   |
| Rate of Taxation                                      | \$39 00 |                   |
| Value of Taxable Personal Property                    |         | \$ 75,393 00      |
| Value of Taxable Real Estate                          |         | 906,074 00        |
| Total Value of Assessed Estate                        |         | 981,467 00        |
| Tax on Personal Property                              |         | \$ 2,940 33       |
| Tax on Real Estate                                    |         | 35,336 88         |
| Total Tax on Property                                 |         | <hr/> \$38,277 21 |
| No. of Cows Assessed                                  | 421     |                   |
| No. of Horses Assessed                                | 58      |                   |
| No. of Swine Assessed                                 | 61      |                   |
| No. of Sheep Assessed                                 | 15      |                   |
| No. of Fowl Assessed                                  | 7,610   |                   |
| No. of Cattle other than Cows                         | 79      |                   |
| No. of Dwelling Houses Assessed                       | 240     |                   |
| No. of Acres of Land Assessed                         | 8,848   |                   |
| Value of Stock in Trade                               |         | \$ 1,640 00       |
| Value of Assessed Live Stock                          |         | 39,855 00         |
| Value of Assessed Machinery                           |         | 32,048 00         |
| Value of Other Assessed Tangible Personal<br>Property |         | 1,850 00          |

## EXEMPT PROPERTY

|                                              |            |
|----------------------------------------------|------------|
| City of Worcester, C. D. Boynton Farm, 87 a. | \$8,700 00 |
| First Congregational Church                  | 4,000 00   |
| Finnish Lutheran Church                      | 450 00     |

## Town of Paxton:

|                                 |           |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| White Fire Truck                | 1,500 00  |
| Tractor                         | 1,500 00  |
| Reo Forest Fire Truck           | 300 00    |
| Library Books                   | 2,000 00  |
| Record Building                 | 1,250 00  |
| School House                    | 25,150 00 |
| Town Hall                       | 5,000 00  |
| Common and Soldiers Monument    | 1,500 00  |
| 2 Cemeteries                    | 2,000 00  |
| Playground                      | 300 00    |
| Library                         | 10,300 00 |
| Clark Land                      | 250 00    |
| Cottage and Peniman Land, 12 a. | 600 00    |
| Wadsworth Land, 10 a.           | 300 00    |
| Boynton Land, 5 a.              | 150 00    |
| Thompson Land, 1 1/5 a.         | 50 00     |
| Ladd Land, 1/2 a.               | 100 00    |
| Illig Land, 44 a.               | 1,320 00  |
| Boys' Scout Land, 109 a.        | 2,200 00  |

## RECAPITULATION

|                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Town Appropriations     | \$52,242 18 |
| School Loan             | 2,000 00    |
| Interest on School Loan | 220 00      |
| Interest on Water Bonds | 2,800 00    |

|                                                   |          |
|---------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Illig Note                                        | 500 00   |
| Interest on Illig Note                            | 275 00   |
| Overlay Deficit 1931                              | 42 07    |
| Overlay Deficit 1933                              | 93 18    |
| Overlay Deficit 1937                              | 67 25    |
| State Tax                                         | 1,280 00 |
| Auditing Municipal Accounts                       | 742 04   |
| State Parks and Reservations                      | 27 09    |
| Veterans' Exemptions                              | 6 06     |
| 1937 Under Estimates (State Tax)                  | 105 00   |
| 1937 Under Estimates State Parks and Reservations | 8 55     |
| County Tax                                        | 1,781 17 |
| Tuberculosis Hospital                             | 1,045 00 |
| Overlay of Current Year                           | 1,084 63 |

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|              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| Total Raised | \$64,319 22 |
|--------------|-------------|

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|                                 |             |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Estimated Receipts              | \$22,036 52 |
| Over Estimates of Previous Year | 1 64        |
| Free Cash Used                  | 3,479 24    |

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|                                        |             |
|----------------------------------------|-------------|
| Total Estimated Receipts and Free Cash | \$25,517 40 |
|----------------------------------------|-------------|

|                                                              |             |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation on Polls<br>and Property | \$38,801 82 |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|

|                              |           |
|------------------------------|-----------|
| Number of Polls 262 @ \$2.00 | \$ 524 00 |
|------------------------------|-----------|

|                       |          |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Personal Property Tax | 2,940 33 |
|-----------------------|----------|

|                   |           |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Real Estate Tax   | 35,336 88 |
| Gain in Fractions | 61        |

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\$38,801 82

Moth Tax

39 65

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Total of All Taxes on Polls and Property \$38,841 47

CARL H. WOOD,

GEO. C. HUNT,

FRED E. WATSON,

Assessors.

## Report of the Trustee of the C. D. Boynton Fund

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|                                                     |            |            |
|-----------------------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Cash in People's Savings Bank                       | \$2,700 00 |            |
| Cash in Worcester Five Cents<br>Savings Bank        | 1,748 00   |            |
| Cash in Worcester County Institution<br>for Savings | 1,600 00   |            |
| Cash in Worcester Mechanics<br>Savings Bank         | 1,600 00   |            |
|                                                     | <hr/>      |            |
|                                                     |            | \$7,648 00 |
| Dividends on the above                              | \$43 96    |            |
|                                                     | 40 25      |            |
|                                                     | 40 25      |            |
|                                                     | 67 91      |            |
|                                                     | <hr/>      |            |
|                                                     |            | \$192 37   |
| Administration expense                              | \$ 8 00    |            |
| Paid Town Treasurer                                 | 184 37     |            |
|                                                     | <hr/>      |            |
|                                                     |            | \$192 37   |

HERBERT S. ROBINSON,

December 31, 1938.

Trustee.



## Report of the Finance Committee

Paxton, Mass., January 23, 1939.

To the Voters of the Town of Paxton:

Your Finance Committee, after meeting with the Selectmen and various department heads, recommends the following proposal for this year's budget.

The Tax rate will go up approximately \$1.00 for every \$1000.00 added on the floor. Likewise the rate will go down approximately \$1.00 for every \$1,000.00 subtracted from this budget.

We wish to call the attention of the voters to the Interest and Notes due this year which amounts to \$5,657.50. This item represents largely the expenditures of previous years which we are now in the process of paying for. Approximately \$5.66 of our tax rate is in payment of these expenditures made during previous years. Until these obligations are paid, a substantially lower tax rate cannot be expected.

### INTEREST AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS

|                                    |             |
|------------------------------------|-------------|
| School Note due September 12, 1939 | \$2,000 00  |
| Interest on School Notes           | 110 00      |
| Interest on Water Bonds            | 2,800 00    |
| Note on Illig. Property            | 500 00      |
| Interest on Illig. Property Notes  | 247 50      |
|                                    | <hr/>       |
| Total                              | \$ 5,657 50 |
| Total All Accounts                 | 53,264 75   |

# BUDGET FOR 1939

|                                                         | Recommendations |  | Appropriations |           |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--|----------------|-----------|
|                                                         | 1939            |  | 1938           |           |
|                                                         | Total           |  | Voted          | Expended  |
| Assessors                                               | \$ 300 00       |  | \$ 300 00      | \$ 297 86 |
| Auditor                                                 | 1 00            |  | 1 00           | None      |
| Care of Common                                          | 100 00          |  | 100 00         | 98 72     |
| Care of Town Clock                                      |                 |  |                |           |
| Salary                                                  | \$ 60 00        |  |                |           |
| Repair Parts                                            | 15 00           |  |                |           |
|                                                         | <hr/>           |  |                |           |
|                                                         | 75 00           |  | 75 00          | 60 00     |
| Certification of Notes                                  | 10 00           |  | 10 00          | 8 00      |
| Constables                                              | 100 00          |  | 100 00         | 97 50     |
| Contingent                                              | 500 00          |  | 300 00         | 298 03    |
| Dog Officer                                             | 25 00           |  | None           | None      |
| Election                                                | 75 00           |  | 150 00         | 155 00    |
| Fire Department (Includes \$243.75<br>for Compensation) | 843 75          |  | 600 00         | 589 65    |
| Board of Health                                         | 700 00          |  | 175 00         | 192 88    |
| Highways Chapter 81                                     |                 |  |                |           |
| State                                                   |                 |  | 4,350 00       |           |
| Town                                                    | 2,900 00        |  | 2,900 00       | 7,254 96  |

# Highways Chapter 90 Construction

|        |          |          |          |
|--------|----------|----------|----------|
| State  |          | 3,525 00 |          |
| County |          | 2,350 00 |          |
| Town   | 1,000 00 | 1,175 00 | 5,180 03 |

# Highways Chapter 90 Maintenance

|                                                                         |          |          |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| State                                                                   |          | 2,200 00 |          |
| County                                                                  |          | 2,200 00 |          |
| Town                                                                    | 800 00   | 1,100 00 | 5,499 42 |
| Hydrant Rental                                                          | 950 00   | 950 00   | 950 00   |
| Inspector of Animals                                                    | 50 00    | 50 00    | 50 00    |
| Inspector of Buildings                                                  | 50 00    | 50 00    | 50 00    |
| Inspector of Meat and Slaughtering<br>(Plus \$1.00 for each inspection) | 5 00     | 5 00     | 12 00    |
| Insurance and Bonds                                                     | 1,400 00 | 1,500 00 | 1,204 77 |
| Interest on Revenue Loans                                               | 75 00    | 75 00    | 50 09    |
| July 4th                                                                | 50 00    | 50 00    | 51 59    |
| Legal Services                                                          | 150 00   | 150 00   | 88 22    |
| Memorial Day                                                            | 75 00    | 75 00    | 57 15    |
| Mooreland Cemetery                                                      | 150 00   | 200 00   | 200 00   |
| Moths                                                                   | 200 00   | 200 00   | 197 91   |
| Old Age Assistance                                                      |          |          |          |
| Federal                                                                 |          | 1,831 48 |          |
| Town                                                                    | 1,500 00 | 1,500 00 | 3,618 90 |

|                                 |            |           |           |
|---------------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| Planning Board                  | 25 00      | 525 00    | 494 20    |
| Printing (To include By-Laws)   | 250 00     | 200 00    | 170 89    |
| Public Welfare                  | 2,500 00   | 2,500 00  | 2,598 21  |
| Richards Memorial Library:      |            |           |           |
| Dog Fund                        | \$245 65   |           |           |
| Geo. L. Bigelow Fund            | 12 58      |           |           |
| Phoebe Boynton Fund             | 62 50      |           |           |
| E. D. Bigelow Millbury Release  | 175 00     |           |           |
| Edward Bigelow Library Fund     | 525 00     |           |           |
| Notes Receivable Mrs. Ladd      | 125 00     |           |           |
| Notes Receivable Town of Paxton | 82 50      |           |           |
| Unused Balance                  | 160 58     |           |           |
|                                 | <hr/>      |           |           |
| Total                           | \$1,388 81 | None      | 200 00    |
| Registrars of Voters:           |            |           | 1,266 71  |
| Salaries                        | \$ 25 00   |           |           |
| Reregistering                   | 100 00     |           |           |
|                                 | <hr/>      |           |           |
|                                 | 125 00     | None      | None      |
| Schools (High and Grade)        | 20,500 00  | 20,500 00 | 20,331 45 |
| Schools (Trade)                 | 3,000 00   | 3,500 00  | 2,621 62  |
| School Clinic                   | 50 00      | 100 00    | 59 00     |
| Sealer Weights and Measures     | 30 00      | 25 00     | 27 15     |
| Selectmen                       | 500 00     | 500 00    | 497 63    |

|                               |           |          |          |          |
|-------------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Snow Removal                  |           | 1,000 00 | 1,000 00 | 991 29   |
| Military Aid                  |           | 300 00   | 300 00   | 105 00   |
| Street Lights                 |           | 925 00   | 925 00   | 878 08   |
| Tax Collector                 |           |          |          |          |
| Salary                        | \$400 00  |          |          |          |
| Expenses                      | 100 00    |          |          |          |
|                               | <hr/>     | 500 00   | 500 00   | 418 71   |
| Town Clerk                    |           | 110 00   | 110 00   | 105 19   |
| Town Hall:                    |           |          |          |          |
| New Roof                      | \$ 250 00 |          |          |          |
| Janitor, Fuel, Repairs Etc.   | 1,000 00  |          |          |          |
|                               | <hr/>     | 1,250 00 | 1,250 00 | 1,214 47 |
| Treasurer and Town Accountant |           | 600 00   | 400 00   | 395 74   |
| Tree Warden                   |           | 50 00    | 50 00    | 328 00   |
| Tuberculosis Hospital         |           | 1,165 52 | 1,006 53 | 1,006 53 |
| Water Department              |           | 2,000 00 | 2,000 00 | 1,859 82 |
| Overdrafts 1936               |           | 317 67   |          |          |
| Overdrafts 1937               |           | 12 69    |          |          |
| Overdrafts 1938               |           | 311 62   |          |          |
| Elections                     | \$ 5 00   |          |          |          |
| Health                        | 17 88     |          |          |          |
| Inspector Meats               | 7 00      |          |          |          |
| July 4th                      | 1 59      |          |          |          |

Sealer  
Tree Warden

2 15  
278 00

TOTAL

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\$47,607 25

Respectfully submitted,

DEANE O. HOWLAND,  
HELEN C. REISER,  
MIRIAM DODGE,  
J. RALPH BARCLAY,  
HARRY S. PHINNEY,

Finance Committee.

## Report of the Building Inspector

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All new and remodelled buildings that permits have been granted for this year, have been inspected, and one old building condemned.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR J. CROMPTON,  
Building Inspector.



## Report of the Cemetery Commissioners

The committee met January 10, 1938, and the motion was made and adopted to retain the same officers.

Ella B. Catherwood, Chairman.

Bessie G. Watson, Clerk.

Gustavus Rossier, Third Member.

Euclid R. Lombard, Superintendent of Cemeteries.

During the year Mr. Rossier passed away.

This last year we had the fence at the Mooreland Cemetery painted and repaired.

There were two whole lots and four half lots sold. Two half lots were paid for, and a payment on another half lot, leaving one half lot unpaid. Also two whole lots unpaid, and a balance due on a half lot sold in 1937.

|                     |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| Amount Appropriated | \$200 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

|                                  |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| General Care, Mooreland Cemetery | 200 00 |
|----------------------------------|--------|

Respectfully submitted,

ELLA B. CATHERWOOD,

Chairman.

BESSIE G. WATSON,

Clerk.

# Report of the Town Clerk

## VITAL STATISTICS FOR 1938

### Births

#### MARCH

4. Daughter to Rev. John A and Marie (Farley) Martin.
5. Daughter to Richard A. and Inez (Farrin) Johnson.

#### APRIL

15. Son to George G. and Sophia (Lupa) Carlson.
26. Son to Robert V. and Margaret (Krook) Oslund.

#### AUGUST

28. Daughter to Percy C. and Winifred (Weed) Ryant.

#### OCTOBER

23. Son to Pentti M. and Hilja (Koivisto) Penttila.

#### NOVEMBER

21. Son to Ellwood C. and Helen (Garber) Jones.

### Marriages

#### MAY

21. Elzear G. Plante, Auburn, and Doris Carlstrom, Paxton.

#### JUNE

19. Austin Nanigian, Paxton, and Margaret A. Mardigian, Worcester.
25. Sanborn B. Hutchins, Paxton, and Elizabeth L. Putnam, Paxton.
28. Gilbert G. MacDonald, Needham, and Fannie Clapp, Paxton.

## JULY

2. Leon M. Hills, Worcester, and Mildred E. Webber,  
Holden.

## AUGUST

20. Octave C. Young, Paxton, and Matalena L. Carrieri,  
Worcester.

## SEPTEMBER

15. John Richardson, Worcester, and  
Barbara H. Richardson, Paxton.

## OCTOBER

8. Edmund J. Faucher, Paxton, and Stella Pietrewicz,  
Worcester.  
22. Harrison C. St. Dennis, Paxton, and  
Bernadette R. Rabidou, Leicester.

## Deaths

## JANUARY

3. Anna D. Johnson 76 y. 3 m. 1 d.

## MAY

13. Ernest B. Illig 71 y. d.

## JUNE

2. Gustavus A. Rossier 76 y. 0 m. 16 d.

## JULY

18. Caroline D. Bemis 48 y. 1 m. 18 d.

## SEPTEMBER

19. Roxa Bush 91 y. 7 m. 1 d.

## OCTOBER

|     |                      |       |       |       |
|-----|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| 12. | William A. Blaisdell | 75 y. | 11 m. | 20 d. |
| 29. | Lucius W. Parker     | 41 y. | 9 m.  | d.    |

## DECEMBER

|     |                    |       |      |       |
|-----|--------------------|-------|------|-------|
| 2.  | Edward L. Maccabee | 48 y. | 4 m. | 11 d. |
| 17. | Jennie L. Brown    | 58 y. | 8 m. | 17 d. |

## Dogs Licensed in 1938

|    |                              |          |
|----|------------------------------|----------|
| 85 | Males                        |          |
| 25 | Females                      |          |
| 11 | Spayed Females               |          |
| 1  | Kennel                       |          |
|    | Paid Town Treasurer on above | \$319 60 |

## Hunting and Sporting Licenses 1938

|    |                                     |          |
|----|-------------------------------------|----------|
| 63 | Fishing Licenses                    |          |
| 33 | Hunting Licenses                    |          |
| 40 | Sporting Licenses                   |          |
| 20 | Women's and Minors Fishing          |          |
| 1  | Trapping                            |          |
| 2  | Sporting Free                       |          |
| 1  | Duplicate                           |          |
|    | Paid Division of Fisheries and Game | \$313 00 |

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT S. ROBINSON,

Town Clerk.

December 31, 1938.

# Report of the Electric Light Department

Paxton, Mass.

To the Electric Light Commission I present the following report of the department as of December 31, 1938.

## ASSETS

|                        |             |
|------------------------|-------------|
| Plant Investments      | \$29,564 60 |
| General Equipment      | 1,490 45    |
| Cash                   | 311 88      |
| Accounts Receivable    | 541 25      |
| Special Deposits       | 204 13      |
| Materials and Supplies | 722 32      |
| Depreciation Fund      | 431 51      |
|                        | <hr/>       |
|                        | \$33,266 14 |

## LIABILITIES

|                                  |             |
|----------------------------------|-------------|
| Appropriations for Constructions | \$7,090 07  |
| Consumers' Deposits              | 194 55      |
| Loans Repayment                  | 13,116 00   |
| Profit and Loss                  | 12,865 52   |
|                                  | <hr/>       |
|                                  | \$33,266 14 |

## COST OF PLANT

|                    |           |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Cost of Land       | \$ 311 67 |
| Cost of Structures | 293 44    |

|                                                         |             |
|---------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| Cost of Transformer Station and<br>Substation Equipment | 2,235 69    |
| Cost of Poles, Fixtures and Overhead<br>Conductors      | 27,242 03   |
| Cost of Consumers' Meters and<br>Installations          | 3,183 93    |
| Cost of Line Transformers and<br>Installations          | 8,175 70    |
| Cost of Street Lighting Equipment                       | 3,698 33    |
| Cost of Office Equipment                                | 251 65      |
| Cost of Transportation Equipment                        | 1,017 15    |
| Cost of Laboratory Equipment                            | 126 56      |
| Cost of Miscellaneous Equipment                         | 178 87      |
|                                                         | <hr/>       |
|                                                         | \$46,715 02 |

The Depreciation for 1938 will be 3% of the cost of the plant or \$1,392.10.

The Electric Light Department during 1938 purchased a department truck at a cost of \$1,017.15 which has been a very useful piece of equipment this year with all of our line troubles.

The department bought at a cost of \$311.67 the piece of land at the city line and plans to install an outdoor sub-station in 1939.

The ice storm in April cost \$407.89.

The change over on Pleasant St., West St., Maple St., and Richards Ave. because of the new telephone cable cost \$1,342.58.

The hurricane in September cost \$1,409.83.

The above costs are our net. Having received in addition \$1,989.07 the telephone's share of storm's expense and Pleasant St. changeover.

The department has installed seven new transformers.

Eleven new range connections have been made.

It is to be noted that because of all our major troubles this year the department operated at 7.12% loss.

At this time your manager wishes to thank every one for their kind patience in the hurricane in regard to the restoring of service.

Respectfully submitted,

ROY M. WENTWORTH,  
Manager.



## Report of the Board of Health

FOR 1938

The Board of Health was organized February 10, 1938, with George C. Hunt, Chairman, Mary M. Daniher, Clerk, and Carl H. Wood, Third Member.

We are very happy to be able to make the following report for the year 1938 which is the best Report in many years and we wish to thank the parents for their assistance in helping to make this splendid record possible.

We also feel that a large share of the credit should go to the School Nurse, Miss Evelyn E. Crossley, R. N. of Holden who took a personal interest in the welfare of all of our children:

3 cases of Dog Bite.

1 case of Scarlet Fever (Mild).

1 case of German Measles.

1 Pulmonary Tuberculosis (Worcester).

The continued co-operation of the parents and Miss Crossley is respectfully requested during the year 1939 so that we might have an even better report at the end of the year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE C. HUNT, Chairman,

MARY M. DANIHER, Clerk,

CARL H. WOOD,

Board of Health.

## List of Jurors for 1939

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LEWIS B. CURTISS

CHARLES C. CRAIG

CHARLES W. BEARS

JAMES T. PUTNAM

HERBERT S. ROBINSON

THOMAS J. CUNNINGHAM

## Report of the Librarian

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To the Citizens of Paxton:

The circulation of books and magazines for the year ending December 31, 1938, was 7,156, an increase of 1,025 over 1937. Books and magazines purchased 217. Books discarded 175.

### CLASSIFICATION OF CIRCULATION.

#### Books—

|                                                |       |
|------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Adult,                                         | 3,417 |
| Juvenile,                                      | 2,745 |
| Adult non-fiction,                             | 415   |
| Juvenile non-fiction for school reports,       | 86    |
| Books from Division of Public Library, Boston, | 282   |

#### Magazines—

|           |     |
|-----------|-----|
| Adult,    | 472 |
| Juvenile, | 240 |

#### Books and magazines donated—

Misses Bertha and Lucy Bill, Mrs. Herbert Esterbrook, Mrs. William McKinley, Mrs. Arthur Thompson, and Samuel L. Clapp.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA T. PECK,  
Librarian.

# Report of the Richards Memorial Library

FOR THE YEAR 1938

Funds for use in 1938:

|                                  |          |
|----------------------------------|----------|
| Unexpended Balance Dec. 31, 1937 | \$ 61 76 |
| Appropriation                    | 200 00   |
| February 1, 1938, Dog Fund       | 240 56   |
|                                  | <hr/>    |
|                                  | \$502 32 |

Income on Trust Funds:

|                                           |          |
|-------------------------------------------|----------|
| Geo. L. Bigelow Fund (\$500.00)           |          |
| Interest to December 31st                 | \$ 12 58 |
| Library Fund \$168.87                     | 70       |
| Notes Receivable Mrs. Ladd \$2500.00      | 125 00   |
| Notes Receivable Town of Paxton \$1500.00 | 82 50    |
| C. D. Boynton Fund, Int. to Dec. 31st     | 184 37   |
| Edw. D. Bigelow Fund, Int. to Dec. 31st   | 519 82   |
|                                           | <hr/>    |

|                               |            |
|-------------------------------|------------|
| Total Funds Available in 1938 | \$1,427 29 |
|-------------------------------|------------|

Expenditures:

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Salary, Librarian | \$399 99 |
| Salary, Janitor   | 365 00   |
| Books             | 249 59   |
| Light             | 25 07    |
| Magazines         | 20 25    |
| Water             | 20 00    |
| Miscellaneous     | 21 21    |

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|                |        |                 |
|----------------|--------|-----------------|
| Repairs        | 14 80  |                 |
| Fuel           | 150 80 |                 |
|                | <hr/>  | \$1,266 71      |
| Unused Balance |        | <hr/> \$ 160 58 |

Respectfully submitted,  
 SAMUEL L. CLAPP, Chairman,  
 MAY N. LIDSTROM, Clerk,  
 MARGUERITE E. CALLAHAN,  
 IRENE M. REED,  
 DR. WM. L. SHIPMAN,  
 MILTON LADD,

Board of Trustees of the Richards Memorial Library.

## Report of Moth Superintendent

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|                   |              |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Personal Property | 129 nests    |
| Roadsides         | 40,435 nests |
|                   | <hr/>        |
|                   | 40,564 nests |
| Appropriated      | \$180 00     |
| Stock and Freight | \$ 16 16     |
| Labor             | 161 75       |
|                   | <hr/>        |
|                   | \$177 91     |
|                   | <hr/>        |
| Unexpended Bal.   | \$ 2 09      |

HERBERT S. ROBINSON, 2nd.,  
Moth Supt.

## Report of the Inspector of Meat and Slaughtering

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Hogs

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EUCLID R. LOMBARD,  
Inspector of Slaughtering.

## Report of the Planning Board

Paxton, Mass., Dec. 31, 1938.

During the year 1938 the outstanding item to report is the establishment in Paxton of the Experimental Radio Station of the Yankee Network. This enterprise bids fair to spread favorably the name of Paxton, and to draw a large number of visitors into the town. It also offers immediate and future material benefits.

At the first meeting, the Board organized with Rufus B. Dunbar, Chairman, and Edmund A. Reiser, Secretary. Action was immediately taken looking to the preparation of a plan of the Town, in accordance with the vote and appropriation of the 1938 Annual Meeting.

William I. Thompson, Civil Engineer, was employed and instructed to proceed with collection of office data and with the expectation that local help would be available and employed for certain of the field work. Welfare assistance did not become available and it became necessary to have the entire job done by William I. Thompson and his regular men.

The plan, a copy of which will be on display at the Annual Town Meeting, constitutes a basis upon which further data can be added from time to time. It should prove of great value to the assessors, and to all departments of town activity.

The Board was called upon to consider, and did approve a plan showing Trafton Road, a new street leading Easterly from Pleasant Street, South of Asnebumskit Road.



The Board recommends that the Town By-Laws, as adopted at the last Annual Meeting and approved by the Attorney General, together with the other existing By-Laws be published as a part of the Town Reports with a separate run of extra copies thereof, or that they be so separately published so as to be available for distribution to interested persons. The present supply of zoning By-Laws is nearly exhausted.

No undertaking of general revision of By-Laws can be reasonably considered without technical assistance after an adequate appropriation has been provided.

Respectfully submitted,

Paxton Planning Board:

RUFUS B. DUNBAR,

Chairman.

EDMUND A. REISER,

Secretary.

MILTON A. LADD.

ARTHUR J. CROMPTON.

ROBERT L. CARPENTER

# CHAPTER 81—FINAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1938—TOWN OF PAXTON

| No. | Road Name         | State Allotment \$4,350.00 |            | Town Allotment \$2,900.00 |        |            | Total Allotment \$7,250.00 |          | State Pays 60.00% |  | Remarks—Work Other Than General Maintenance                                                                                                                                      |
|-----|-------------------|----------------------------|------------|---------------------------|--------|------------|----------------------------|----------|-------------------|--|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|     |                   | Total Miles                | Prim. Sec. | Mileage by Types          |        |            | Allot.                     | Expend.  |                   |  |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
|     |                   |                            |            | Dirt                      | Gravel | Bit. Grav. | Bit. Mac.                  |          |                   |  |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 1   | Rockland St.      | .9                         |            | 0.3                       |        | 0.6        |                            | \$202.00 | \$271.43          |  | Applied 800 gals T-6.                                                                                                                                                            |
| 2   | Mill St.          |                            | .6         | 0.6                       |        |            |                            | 60.00    | 32.10             |  |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 3   | West St.          | 3.0                        |            |                           |        | 3.0        |                            | 50.00    | 380.47            |  |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 4   | Spring St.        | 1.0                        |            | 0.4                       |        | 0.6        |                            | 445.00   | 770.48            |  | Constructed Side Drain 290'x3'x3'<br>Applied 600 gals. SA-4.<br>Installed 1-15" Culvert 28' long,<br>1-15" Culvert 32' long; 1-16"<br>Culvert 8' long; 1-15" Culvert<br>6' long. |
| 5   | Brigham Rd.       |                            | 1.4        | 1.4                       |        |            |                            | 385.00   | 244.32            |  |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 6   | Davis Rd.         | 1.7                        |            | 1.4                       | 0.3    |            |                            | 320.00   | 248.02            |  | Gravelled 200 ft., 10' wide, 8" deep                                                                                                                                             |
| 7   | South St.         | .8                         |            | .12                       | 0.5    | .18        |                            | 145.00   | 315.32            |  | Gravelled 400 ft., 12' wide, 6" deep                                                                                                                                             |
| 8   | Richards Ave.     | 2.1                        |            |                           |        | 1.6        | .5                         | 80.00    | 260.94            |  |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 9   | Pleasant St.      | Now                        | State Rd.  |                           |        |            |                            |          |                   |  |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 10  | Suomi St.         | 1.05                       |            |                           |        | 1.05       |                            | 467.00   | 407.73            |  | Applied 2,200 gals. MC-3.                                                                                                                                                        |
| 11  | Laurel St.        | .9                         |            | 0.2                       | 0.7    |            |                            | 275.00   | 477.20            |  | Gravelled 1550 ft., 10' wide,<br>7" deep.                                                                                                                                        |
| 12  | Terrace Place     |                            | .1         | 0.1                       |        |            |                            | 10.00    |                   |  |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 13  | Hill St.          | .7                         |            |                           | 0.7    |            |                            | 440.00   | 442.75            |  | Gravelled 1200 ft., 10' wide,<br>6" deep                                                                                                                                         |
| 14  | Winter St.        |                            | .4         | 0.4                       |        |            |                            | 30.00    | 42.00             |  | Gravelled 120 ft., 12' wide, 8" deep                                                                                                                                             |
| 15  | Marshall St.      | 2.4                        |            | 1.8                       | 0.6    |            |                            | 460.00   | 736.62            |  | Gravelled 830 ft., 12' wide, 8" deep                                                                                                                                             |
| 16  | Asnebumskit St.   |                            | .25        |                           | .25    |            |                            | 45.00    | 25.99             |  |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 17  | Reservoir Drive   | 1.2                        |            |                           |        | 1.2        |                            | 20.00    | 38.80             |  |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 18  | Elm St.           |                            | 0.5        | 0.5                       |        |            |                            | 80.00    | 48.15             |  |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 19  | Crystal St.       |                            | .3         | 0.1                       | 0.2    |            |                            | 80.00    | 46.82             |  |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 20  | O'Connor Rd.      |                            | 0.75       | 0.75                      |        |            |                            | 290.00   | 220.01            |  |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 21  | Silver Spring Rd. |                            | 0.30       | 0.3                       |        |            |                            | 25.00    | 30.30             |  |                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| 22  | Camp St.          | .7                         |            | 0.48                      | 0.18   | 0.04       |                            | 160.00   | 271.92            |  | Gravelled 300 ft., 12' wide, 8 deep                                                                                                                                              |

## CHAPTER 81—FINAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1938—TOWN OF PAXTON

| No. | Road Name              | State Allotment \$4,350.00 |      | Town Allotment \$2,900.00 |        |            |           | Total Allotment \$7,250.00 |            | State Pays 60.00%                                                     |  |
|-----|------------------------|----------------------------|------|---------------------------|--------|------------|-----------|----------------------------|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|--|
|     |                        | Total Miles                |      | Mileage by Types          |        |            |           | Allot.                     | Expend.    | Remarks—Work Other Than General Maintenance                           |  |
|     |                        | Prim.                      | Sec. | Dirt                      | Gravel | Bit. Grav. | Bit. Mac. |                            |            |                                                                       |  |
| 23  | Grove St.              | 2.45                       |      | 0.8                       | 0.13   | 1.52       |           | 502.00                     | 430.38     | Gravelled 200 ft., 12' wide, 8" deep<br>Applied 300 gals. MC-3.       |  |
| 24  | Pond St.               |                            | .3   | 0.3                       |        |            |           | 30.00                      |            |                                                                       |  |
| 25  | Hillside Rd.           |                            |      |                           |        |            |           |                            |            |                                                                       |  |
| 26  | Streeter Rd.           | .7                         |      |                           |        | 0.7        |           | 338.00                     | 412.42     | Installed 1-18" Culv. 30' long.<br>Applied 1650 gals. SA-4.           |  |
| 27  | Maple St.              | .5                         |      |                           |        | 0.5        |           | 30.00                      | 492.88     |                                                                       |  |
| 28  | Holden Rd.             | .8                         |      |                           |        | 0.8        |           | 10.00                      | 4.80       |                                                                       |  |
| 29  | Turkey Hill Rd.        |                            | .1   |                           | 0.1    |            |           | 65.00                      | 90.10      | Gravelled 250 ft., 12' wide, 8" deep                                  |  |
| 30  | Highland Ct.           | .1                         |      |                           | 0.05   |            | 0.05      | 5.00                       | 4.50       |                                                                       |  |
| 32  | Brook's Rd.            |                            | 1.0  | 1.0                       |        |            |           | 480.00                     | 461.60     | Constructed Side-Drain 360'x3'x3'.<br>Installed 1-15" Culv. 18' long. |  |
| 33  | Sunset Lane            | .45                        |      |                           |        | 0.45       |           | 20.00                      |            |                                                                       |  |
|     | Tools                  |                            |      |                           |        |            |           |                            | 46.85      |                                                                       |  |
|     | Total Reserve          |                            |      |                           |        |            |           | \$5,549.00                 | 1,701.00   |                                                                       |  |
|     | Total Allotment Totals | 21.45                      | 7.90 | 12.75                     | 3.71   | 12.24      | 0.55      | \$7,250.00                 | \$7,254.96 |                                                                       |  |

M. J. DALTON,  
Dist. Highway Engineer.

## Report of the Board of Selectmen

FOR 1938

The Board of Selectmen met February 10, 1938, with the following members present: George C. Hunt, Mary M. Daniher and Carl H. Wood.

Upon motion duly made and seconded the following were elected:

George C. Hunt, Chairman  
Mary M. Daniher, Clerk  
Carl H. Wood, Third Member

Building Permits were issued during the year for re-modelling and new buildings at a total estimated cost of \$54,845.00.

The following Licenses and Permits were issued:

- 1 Sale of Fireworks
- 4 Pistol
- 8 Common Victualler
- 1 Inn holder
- 1 Methyl Alcohol
- 2 Special Malt Beverages
- 8 Sunday Ice Cream
- 2 Amusement
- 1 Inn holder's All Alcoholic Beverages for 1939
- 2 Restaurant All Alcoholic Beverages for 1939
- 1 Retail Package Store All Alcoholic Beverages for 1939.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE C. HUNT, Chairman,  
MARY M. DANIHER, Clerk,  
CARL H. WOOD,

Board of Selectmen.

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**OF THE**  
**SCHOOL DEPARTMENT**



FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1938

**School Committee**

|                            |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| HARRY CLARK, Chairman      | Term expires 1941 |
| MAY N. LIDSTROM, Secretary | Term expires 1939 |
| CHARLES C. CRAIG           | Term expires 1940 |

**Superintendent of Schools**

|                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| JAMES R. CHILDS | Holden 12 or 209 |
|-----------------|------------------|

**School Nurse**

|                           |            |
|---------------------------|------------|
| EVELYN E. CROSSLEY, R. N. | Holden 265 |
|---------------------------|------------|

**School Physician**

|                      |             |
|----------------------|-------------|
| LEROY E. MAYO, M. D. | Holden 89-2 |
|----------------------|-------------|

**Attendance Officer**

|                 |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| ALFRED MACCABEE | 2-2436 |
|-----------------|--------|

**Janitor**

|                 |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| GEORGE MACCABEE | 2-0239 |
|-----------------|--------|

**School Calendar**

|                     |                           |
|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Fall Term—16 weeks  | Sept. 6 to Dec. 23, 1938  |
| Winter Term—8 weeks | Jan. 3 to Feb. 24, 1939   |
| Spring Term—8 weeks | March 6 to April 28, 1939 |
| Summer Term—6 weeks | May 8 to June 16, 1939    |
| Fall Term—16 weeks  | Sept. 5 to Dec. 22, 1939  |

**Holidays**

January 1, February 22, April 19, May 30, Labor Day, October 12, November 11, Thanksgiving Day and the day following.

# Report of the School Department

FOR THE YEAR 1938

## Funds for use in 1938:

|                          |             |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| Appropriation            | \$20,500 00 |
| Appropriation for Clinic | 100 00      |
| Bigelow Fund, Interest   | 25 00       |
|                          | <hr/>       |
|                          | \$20,625 00 |

## Expenditures:

|                                                   |             |
|---------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| School Committee                                  | \$ 150 00   |
| Superintendent                                    | 515 10      |
| Teachers                                          | 4,661 14    |
| Janitor                                           | 841 28      |
| Health                                            | 262 44      |
| Books                                             | 191 54      |
| School Supplies                                   | 98 46       |
| Janitor's Supplies                                | 36 84       |
| High School Transportation                        | 2,720 50    |
| Grade Transportation                              | 2,565 00    |
| High School Tuition                               | 5,908 00    |
| Light and Fuel                                    | 391 45      |
| Miscellaneous                                     | 71 38       |
| New Equipment                                     | 695 96      |
| Repairs and Replacement                           | 1,143 36    |
| Town of Spencer for Tuition and<br>Transportation | 55 00       |
|                                                   | <hr/>       |
|                                                   | \$20,307 45 |

|                                   |             |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Clinic Work                       | 59 00       |             |
|                                   | <hr/>       |             |
|                                   | \$20,366 45 |             |
| Less sale of old chairs and desks | 82 50       |             |
|                                   | <hr/>       |             |
|                                   | \$20,283 95 | \$20,283 95 |
|                                   |             | <hr/>       |
| Unused Balance                    |             | \$ 341 05   |

## TRADE SCHOOLS—

|               |            |
|---------------|------------|
| Appropriation | \$3,500 00 |
|---------------|------------|

## Expenditures:

|                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Tuition        | \$1,850 32 |
| Transportation | 771 30     |

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2,621 62

|                |           |
|----------------|-----------|
| Unused Balance | \$ 878 38 |
|----------------|-----------|

## GRANTS AND GIFTS FROM THE STATE—

|                            |            |
|----------------------------|------------|
| High School Tuition        | \$3,789 94 |
| High School Transportation | 2,692 34   |
| School Fund                | \$2,140 27 |
|                            | 672 50     |

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2,812 77

|                |        |
|----------------|--------|
| Superintendent | 290 00 |
|----------------|--------|

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\$9,585 05

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| Trade Schools | 2,722 08 |
|---------------|----------|



|                                 |             |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| TOTAL Gifts and Grants          | \$12,307 13 |
| Total School Expenditures       | \$22,905 57 |
| Grants and Gifts from the State | 12,307 13   |
|                                 | <hr/>       |
| NET                             | \$10,598 44 |

Respectfully submitted,

MAY N. LIDSTROM,  
Secretary.

## Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Holden, Mass., Dec. 31, 1938.

To the School Committee of Paxton:

The following report is the thirty-ninth in the series and the twenty-first by the writer, together with the usual statistics for reference, presented for your consideration.

We have had but one change in teachers this year, Miss Edith Klinglof having been elected to succeed Miss Thornton who resigned in June. The Music Supervisor is elected by the Joint Committee, and while we have had none this fall, the work has been carried on by the regular teachers with much credit. I should like to see part-time Supervisors or teachers for Music, Drawing, Practical Arts and Physical Education added to our staff in order that these important subjects may be given more emphasis.

Parents and teachers have cooperated with the School Nurse in the conduct of the various clinics and in carrying out the health program. The report of the Nurse is most encouraging. We now have a Maico audiometer for testing hearing and a Keystone Telebinocular for testing the eyes and for use in remedial reading. A dentist's chair that might be secured secondhand would add very materially to our equipment and would save transportation expense.

The teachers attended two Institutes conducted by the State Department of Education, one in March at Rutland

and one in October at West Boylston. They also attended the County Convention at Worcester and have carried out a successful teachers' Club program during the year, with 100% enrollment in both State and National Associations. They have attended summer school and taken various professional in-service courses. I believe we should establish a system of salary increments for such in-service study.

The winners of the annual poster contest are listed at the end of this report. Harold Clockedile and Stella Nanigian won the American Legion Essay awards and these were presented at graduation by Commander William Drown. We thank the members of the P. T. A. for their cooperation and those who have helped in carrying on the 4-H Club and Scouting activities, Mr. Clapp for his many acts of kindness, the ladies of the Legion Auxiliary for the reception to graduates, the teachers, and Mr. Maccabee for helping to make the year successful.

Reversing the usual order, the President of the N. E. A. in a recent discussion of the part of the schools in character and religious education, said "the school should learn to cooperate with the home, the community, and the church in building character." In his opinion the greatest opportunity for the development of a child's character lies in the proper attitude toward play, for here is the chance for free expression and building of good habits. "Teach the child to play fairly, squarely, honestly, with initiative, with fullness of life, with joy in success, with good sportsmanship in failure, and we have contributed a part to his nature that will help him to true success in the great game and busi-

ness of life." We have in Paxton a splendid opportunity to act on these suggestions and to learn to live with our children, to understand them better, to guide them into "the good life."

Our enrollment this year has increased a little, and our attendance of 96% is very creditable. There are eleven boys and four girls in the Trade Schools, and thirty-five attending high school. Most of our pupils do well in the Worcester schools but unfortunately there seem to be a few who do not appreciate the opportunity given them to get a high school education or to learn a trade. Certainly no boy or girl can expect to do good work unless regular in attendance and ready to attend strictly to business. Parents have a very definite responsibility here, to see that their children are in school every day unless prevented by sickness, and to see that they do the necessary studying at home.

The school plant is in good condition at the present time. We have completed the installation of the new seating in the class-rooms, made necessary repairs, put in a new sink and bubbler and done some painting. New textbooks have been supplied as needed, and the Rugg Social Science material furnished to supplement our geography and history in Grades III through VIII.

The Town is fortunate in having a Committee devoted to the best interests of the children and always ready to give of their time to a study of school problems and the function of the school in the community.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES R. CHILDS.

## Report of the School Nurse

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The pre-school examination and vaccination clinic was conducted by Dr. Mayo, and six of the eight pre-school children attended. Decay and premature loss of teeth, diseased tonsils and adenoids, malnutrition and poor mental habits exercise serious effect on the body of the school child. Parents should try to have their children in the best possible physical condition before they enter school.

A survey was made in April to determine the number of children who might be susceptible to diphtheria and seventy were found, only twenty-two having been previously immunized. With the cooperation of the P. T. A. and the local Board of Health, Dr. Dudley of the State Department of Health immunized forty-nine children in May.

All pupils were weighed and measured four times during the year. A small steady gain is evidence of normal growth. Cleanliness, rest, fresh air and nourishing foods are discussed at this time. Two children attended the tonsil clinic in June at the Holden Hospital.

The annual physical examinations in September prove the worth of previous clinics and recommendations. The eradication of defects has raised the level of the children physically. Thirty-nine children were treated by Dr. Scott at the dental clinic.

Hygienic conditions at the school have at all times been very satisfactory. The children and all concerned show keen interest in keeping the building neat and clean.

Much credit should be given those who have made it possible to add to our equipment the most modern audiometer for ear testing and the new telebinocular for eye testing. With this new equipment handicaps of sight and hearing will more readily be discovered and many school-room problems eliminated.

Upon all home visits I found the parents cooperative, and the link between home and school is strong, both working for the interest of the child.

I take this opportunity to give full recognition and appreciation to the teachers, the parents and the children in keeping the health status of the Paxton school so remarkable, and to thank one and all who have helped to make my work so pleasant.

Respectfully submitted,

EVELYN E. CROSSLEY, R. N.

## Report of the School Physician

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The following is a brief report of my work as School Physician in the past year.

During the second half of the year the schools of the district were visited with the School Nurse for the purpose of sanitary inspection. Just before school closed in June vaccination clinics for pre-school children were held in the Rice, Chaffins and Jefferson schools of Holden and in the high school at Rutland. A similar clinic was held at Paxton and Oakham. Parents were, at this time, afforded the opportunity of having any child of preschool age vaccinated. The children who were to enter school in September were given a physical examination.

During September and October each pupil was given a physical examination at the respective schools.

There have been two epidemics of contagious diseases in the district during the past year. Last spring there were several cases of scarlet fever in Holden, and this fall and early winter there have been many cases of mumps both among school children and adults in Rutland. May I urge parents to report any known contagious disease and to call their physician when one is suspected.

Sincerely yours,

LEROY E. MAYO, M. D.



**ORGANIZATION, 1937—1938**

| Grades | Teacher             | Training           | Began Here |
|--------|---------------------|--------------------|------------|
| 7—8    | Melvin H. Glazier   | Middlebury College | Sept. 1937 |
| 5—6    | Jessie M. Thornton  | Worcester S. T. C. | Sept. 1937 |
| 3—4    | Dorothy C. Simpson  | Worcester S. T. C. | Sept. 1937 |
| 1—2    | Ruth E. Butterfield | Worcester S. T. C. | Sept. 1929 |

**ATTENDANCE STATISTICS, 1937—1938**

| Grades | Total<br>Mem. | Ave.<br>Mem. | Ave.<br>Atten. | Per Cent<br>of Atten. |
|--------|---------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| 7—8    | 28            | 27           | 26             | 96                    |
| 5—6    | 28            | 23           | 22             | 97                    |
| 3—4    | 27            | 22           | 21             | 96                    |
| 1—2    | 30            | 24           | 23             | 96                    |
| Totals | 113           | 96           | 92             | 96                    |

**GRADUATES, JUNE 1938**

|                   |                   |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Harry Clockedile  | Stella Nanigian   |
| David Everleth    | Miriam Parker     |
| Donald Gotha      | Robert Sheehan    |
| Donald Hoogasian  | Frank Urbonovitch |
| George Hunt, Jr.  | Lois Whitney      |
| Astrid Kellstrand | David Wylie       |

**REGISTRATION OF MINORS****October 1, 1938**

| Children in Paxton         | Boys | Girls | Totals |
|----------------------------|------|-------|--------|
| From 5 to 7 years of age   | 6    | 3     | 9      |
| From 7 to 14 years of age  | 44   | 36    | 80     |
| From 14 to 16 years of age | 15   | 9     | 24     |
| Totals                     | 65   | 48    | 113    |



**ENROLLMENT—FALL TERM, 1938**

| Grade | I | II | III | IV | V  | VI | VII | VIII | Total |
|-------|---|----|-----|----|----|----|-----|------|-------|
| Boys  | 4 | 9  | 5   | 9  | 11 | 9  | 4   | 8    | 59    |
| Girls | 2 | 5  | 6   | 2  | 5  | 8  | 4   | 8    | 40    |
|       | — | —  | —   | —  | —  | —  | —   | —    | —     |
| Total | 6 | 14 | 11  | 11 | 16 | 17 | 8   | 16   | 99    |

**AGE AND GRADING CHART****October 1, 1938**

| Age   | 6 | 7  | 8  | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | Total |
|-------|---|----|----|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|-------|
| I     | 6 | —  | —  | — | —  | —  | —  | —  | —  | —  | 6     |
| II    | 2 | 10 | 3  | — | —  | —  | —  | —  | —  | —  | 15    |
| III   | — | 1  | 10 | — | —  | —  | —  | —  | —  | —  | 11    |
| IV    | — | —  | 1  | 5 | 3  | 1  | 1  | —  | —  | —  | 11    |
| V     | — | —  | —  | 4 | 8  | 1  | 3  | —  | —  | —  | 16    |
| VI    | — | —  | —  | — | 3  | 8  | 4  | 3  | 1  | —  | 19    |
| VII   | — | —  | —  | — | —  | —  | 7  | —  | 1  | —  | 8     |
| VIII  | — | —  | —  | — | —  | —  | 1  | 5  | 7  | 1  | 14    |
|       | — | —  | —  | — | —  | —  | —  | —  | —  | —  | —     |
| Total | 8 | 11 | 14 | 9 | 14 | 10 | 16 | 8  | 9  | 1  | 100   |

**ANNUAL POSTER CONTEST****First Prizes**

George Clapp, Jr.

Stella Nanigian

Aleck Urbonovitch

**Second Prizes**Ralph Belezerian  
Theodore BemisRobert Lindquist  
Frank Urbonovitch**Honorable Mention**

Grace Langevin

John Nanigian

Robert Sheehan

# **HONOR ROLL**

|                  |                 |
|------------------|-----------------|
| Robert Bourget   | John Nanigian   |
| Doris Clockedile | Stella Nanigian |
| George Hunt      | Louise Neill    |
| Allan Kinnunen   | Miriam Parker   |
| Robert Lindquist | Lois Reiser     |
| Philip Ryder     | Marion Simmons  |
| Nancy Simmons    |                 |

# Report of the Tax Collector

## TAXES OF 1938

### Dr.

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Due per Real and Moth Warrants    | \$35,443 24 |
| Due per Warrant on Personal Taxes | 2,940 53    |
| Due per Warrant on Polls          | 526 00      |

### Cr.

|                                       |             |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| By Payments to Treasurer on Real      | \$18,817 02 |
| By Payments to Treasurer on Personal  | 504 32      |
| By Payments to Treasurer on Moth      | 23 65       |
| By Payments to Treasurer on Polls     | 496 00      |
| By Uncollected Taxes on Real and Moth | 16,602 57   |
| By Uncollected Personal Taxes         | 2,436 21    |
| By Uncollected Polls                  | 30 00       |
|                                       | <hr/>       |
|                                       | \$38,909 77 |
|                                       | \$38,909 77 |

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE OF 1938

### Dr.

|                      |            |
|----------------------|------------|
| Due per Warrants 1/4 | \$2,042 11 |
|----------------------|------------|

### Cr.

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| By Payments to Treasurer | \$1,913 29 |
| By Abatements            | 58 69      |
| By Uncollected Taxes     | 70 13      |
|                          | <hr/>      |
|                          | \$2,042 11 |
|                          | \$2,042 11 |

## TAXES OF 1937

Dr.

|                               |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Bal. Due per Warrant 12/31/37 | \$18,097 65 |
|-------------------------------|-------------|

Cr.

|                                      |             |             |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| By Payments to Treasurer on Real     | \$10,920 16 |             |
| By Payments to Treasurer on Personal | 766 17      |             |
| By Payments to Treasurer on Moth     | 6 30        |             |
| By Abatement                         | 19 60       |             |
| By Taxes included in Tax Title       |             |             |
| Redemptions                          | 194 23      |             |
| By Taxes transferred to Tax Titles   | 1,185 94    |             |
| By Uncollected Taxes for 1937        | 5,005 25    |             |
|                                      | <hr/>       | <hr/>       |
|                                      | \$18,097 65 | \$18,097 65 |

## POLLS OF 1937

Dr.

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Bal. Due per Warrant 12/31/37 | \$30 00 |
|-------------------------------|---------|

Cr.

|                          |         |         |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|
| By Payments to Treasurer | \$10 00 |         |
| By Uncollected Taxes     | 20 00   |         |
|                          | <hr/>   | <hr/>   |
|                          | \$30 00 | \$30 00 |

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE OF 1937

Dr.

|                                |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Bal. Due per Warrants 12/31/37 |          |
| including Warrant No. 6        | \$433 01 |

Cr.

|                          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|
| By Payments to Treasurer | \$306 91 |
|--------------------------|----------|

|                      |          |          |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| By Outstanding Taxes |          | 126 10   |
|                      | <hr/>    | <hr/>    |
|                      | \$433 01 | \$433 01 |

## TAXES OF 1936

## Dr.

|                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Bal. Due per Warrants 12/31/37 | \$2,794 85 |
|--------------------------------|------------|

## Cr.

|                                        |            |
|----------------------------------------|------------|
| By Payments to Treasurer Real          | \$2,431 68 |
| By Payments to Treasurer on Personal   | 55 61      |
| By Payments to Treasurer on Moth       | 6 70       |
| By Abatement                           | 16 50      |
| By Taxes transferred to Tax Titles     | 24 42      |
| By Uncollected Personal and Poll Taxes | 103 19     |
| By Uncollected Taxes on the Howe Farm  | 156 75     |
|                                        | <hr/>      |
|                                        | \$2,794 85 |
|                                        | <hr/>      |
|                                        | \$2,794 85 |

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE OF 1936

## Dr.

|                                |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Bal. Due per Warrants 12/31/37 | \$84 70 |
|--------------------------------|---------|

## Cr.

|                          |         |
|--------------------------|---------|
| By Payments to Treasurer | \$15 35 |
| By Uncollected Taxes     | 69 35   |
|                          | <hr/>   |
|                          | \$84 70 |
|                          | <hr/>   |
|                          | \$84 70 |

## TAXES OF 1935

## Dr.

|                                        |         |
|----------------------------------------|---------|
| Bal. Due per Warrant on Personal Taxes | \$33 01 |
| Bal. Due per Warrant on Polls 12/31/37 | 20 00   |

## Cr.

|                                      |         |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| By Payments to Treasurer on Personal | \$ 2 43 |         |
| By Abatements on Personal            | 30 58   |         |
| By Payments to Treasurer on Polls    | 4 00    |         |
| By Abatements on Polls               | 16 00   |         |
|                                      | <hr/>   | <hr/>   |
|                                      | \$53 01 | \$53 01 |

## TAXES OF 1934

## Dr.

|                                   |         |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Balance Due per Warrants 12/31/37 | \$48 37 |
|-----------------------------------|---------|

## Cr.

|                                           |         |         |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| By Payments to Treasurer                  | \$10 65 |         |
| By Outstanding 1934 Taxes on Howe<br>Farm | 37 72   |         |
|                                           | <hr/>   | <hr/>   |
|                                           | \$48 37 | \$48 37 |

## MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE OF 1933

## Dr.

|                               |        |
|-------------------------------|--------|
| Bal. Due per Warrant 12/31/37 | \$3 47 |
|-------------------------------|--------|

## Cr.

|                          |        |        |
|--------------------------|--------|--------|
| By Payments to Treasurer | \$3 47 |        |
|                          | <hr/>  | <hr/>  |
|                          | \$3 47 | \$3 47 |

## INTEREST PAYMENTS TO TREASURER

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| Taxes of 1938 | \$ 16 89 |
| Taxes of 1937 | 303 33   |
| Taxes of 1936 | 226 95   |
| Taxes of 1935 | 32       |
| Taxes of 1934 | 1 75     |
| Taxes of 1933 | 50       |
|               | <hr/>    |
|               | \$549 74 |

## DEMAND PAYMENTS TO TREASURER ON POLLS

|               |          |
|---------------|----------|
| Taxes of 1937 | \$ 1 40  |
| Taxes of 1938 | 15 75    |
|               | <hr/>    |
|               | \$ 17 15 |

Respectfully submitted,

AUSTIN W. WHITNEY,  
Tax Collector.

## Report of the Town Treasurer

I herewith submit my report of Receipts and expenditures of the Town of Paxton for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1938.

### RECEIPTS

#### General Revenue—

##### Taxes:

|              |             |
|--------------|-------------|
| Levy of 1934 | \$ 8 65     |
| Levy of 1935 | 2 34        |
| Levy of 1936 | 2,487 29    |
| Levy of 1937 | 11,686 33   |
| Levy of 1938 | 19,321 34   |
|              | <hr/>       |
|              | \$33,505 95 |

##### Polls:

|              |          |
|--------------|----------|
| Levy of 1934 | \$ 2 00  |
| Levy of 1935 | 4 00     |
| Levy of 1937 | 10 00    |
| Levy of 1938 | 498 00   |
|              | <hr/>    |
|              | \$514 00 |

#### Motor Vehicle Excise:

|              |            |
|--------------|------------|
| Levy of 1933 | \$ 3 47    |
| Levy of 1936 | 15 35      |
| Levy of 1937 | 306 91     |
| Levy of 1938 | 1,913 29   |
|              | <hr/>      |
|              | \$2,239 02 |



## Tax Titles:

|             |          |           |
|-------------|----------|-----------|
| Redemptions | \$504 66 |           |
|             | <hr/>    | \$ 504 66 |

## From State:

|                 |            |             |
|-----------------|------------|-------------|
| Income Tax      | \$2,868 19 |             |
| Corporation Tax | 130 22     |             |
|                 | <hr/>      | \$ 2,998 41 |

## Licenses:

|                             |          |           |
|-----------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Liquors, Stands and Permits | \$911 00 |           |
|                             | <hr/>    | \$ 911 00 |

## Grants and Gifts from State:

|                            |            |             |
|----------------------------|------------|-------------|
| School Fund                | \$2,140 27 |             |
| School Supt.               | 290 00     |             |
| High School Tuition        | 3,789 94   |             |
| High School Transportation | 2,692 34   |             |
| Trade School               | 2,722 08   |             |
| Burial                     | 40 00      |             |
| Forestry                   | 48 20      |             |
| Military Aid               | 22 50      |             |
| Inspector of Animals       | 25 00      |             |
| Old Age Assistance         | 1,256 65   |             |
| Federal Aid                | 1,782 11   |             |
| Federal Aid Administration | 59 37      |             |
|                            | <hr/>      | \$14,868 46 |

## From County:

|                       |          |           |
|-----------------------|----------|-----------|
| Dog Licenses Refunded | \$240 56 |           |
|                       | <hr/>    | \$ 240 56 |

## Other Revenue:

|                     |          |           |
|---------------------|----------|-----------|
| Rent of Hall        | \$129 50 |           |
| Rent of Howe Place  | 240 00   |           |
| Rent of Illig Place | 192 00   |           |
| Sealer's Fees       | 10 50    |           |
| Court Fines         | 10 00    |           |
|                     | <hr/>    | \$ 582 00 |

## Special Assessments:

|           |         |          |
|-----------|---------|----------|
| Moth 1936 | \$ 6 70 |          |
| Moth 1937 | 6 32    |          |
| Moth 1938 | 23 65   |          |
|           | <hr/>   | \$ 36 67 |

## From Tax Collector:

|         |         |          |
|---------|---------|----------|
| Demands | \$17 50 |          |
|         | <hr/>   | \$ 17 50 |

## From Town Clerk:

|              |          |           |
|--------------|----------|-----------|
| Dog Licenses | \$314 80 |           |
|              | <hr/>    | \$ 314 80 |

## Highways:

## State:

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Chapter 81               | \$3,730 04 |
| Chapter 90, Maintenance  | 2,762 97   |
| Chapter 90, Construction | 2,424 05   |
| Chapter 498              | 500 00     |
| Chapter 500              | 800 00     |

## County:

|                          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Chapter 90, Maintenance  | 1,463 08 |
| Chapter 90, Construction | 1,253 67 |

## Town:

|                               |          |             |
|-------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Tractor Equipment Maintenance | \$658 50 |             |
|                               | <hr/>    | \$13,592 31 |

## Interest:

|                                |          |             |
|--------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| On Taxes                       | \$550 15 |             |
| On C. D. Boynton Fund          | 184 37   |             |
| On D. R. Boynton Poor Fund     | 25 15    |             |
| On E. D. Bigelow V. I. S. Fund | 126 42   |             |
| On Library Funds               | 740 60   |             |
| On School Funds                | 25 00    |             |
|                                | <hr/>    | \$ 1,651 69 |

## Municipal Indebtedness:

|                         |             |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Anticipation of Revenue | \$15,000 00 |             |
| Highways                | 5,000 00    |             |
|                         | <hr/>       | \$20,000 00 |

## Cemetery Funds:

|                     |          |           |
|---------------------|----------|-----------|
| Perpetual Care Lots | \$170 00 |           |
|                     | <hr/>    | \$ 170 00 |

## Electric Light Department:

|                               |             |             |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Light and Power               | \$15,797 99 |             |
| Depreciation Fund             | 1,018 30    |             |
| Interest on Depreciation Fund | 33 22       |             |
| Meter Guarantee               | 100 00      |             |
| Interest on Meter Fund        | 6 23        |             |
|                               | <hr/>       | \$16,955 74 |

## Water Department:

|             |            |             |
|-------------|------------|-------------|
| Collections | \$1,905 29 |             |
|             |            | \$ 1,905 29 |

## Refunds:

|                                  |         |           |
|----------------------------------|---------|-----------|
| Tax Titles                       | \$ 2 75 |           |
| Highways                         | 2 60    |           |
| Schools (Other Towns)            | 36 00   |           |
| (Chairs sold)                    | 82 50   |           |
| Dog Account                      | 31 00   |           |
| Public Welfare                   | 78 00   |           |
| Old Age Assistance (Other Towns) | 102 84  |           |
|                                  |         | <hr/>     |
|                                  |         | \$ 335 69 |

## TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$111,343 75

Cash Balance, January 1, 1938

5,037 31

## TOTAL

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\$116,381 06

## PAYMENTS

## Selectmen:

|          |          |           |
|----------|----------|-----------|
| Services | \$300 00 |           |
| Clerical | 150 00   |           |
| Expenses | 47 63    |           |
|          |          | <hr/>     |
|          |          | \$ 497 63 |

## Treasurer:

|            |          |           |
|------------|----------|-----------|
| Services   | \$340 00 |           |
| Travelling | 25 00    |           |
| Expenses   | 30 74    |           |
|            |          | <hr/>     |
|            |          | \$ 395 74 |

## Tax Collector:

|          |          |           |
|----------|----------|-----------|
| Services | \$300 00 |           |
| Expenses | 118 71   |           |
|          |          | <hr/>     |
|          |          | \$ 418 71 |

## Assessors:

|                       |          |           |
|-----------------------|----------|-----------|
| Services and Expenses | \$297 86 |           |
|                       | <hr/>    | \$ 297 86 |

## Legal:

|              |         |          |
|--------------|---------|----------|
| Town Counsel | \$88 22 |          |
|              | <hr/>   | \$ 88 22 |

## Town Clerk:

|          |          |           |
|----------|----------|-----------|
| Services | \$100 00 |           |
| Expenses | 5 19     |           |
|          | <hr/>    | \$ 105 19 |

## Elections:

|            |         |           |
|------------|---------|-----------|
| Registrars | \$25 00 |           |
| Tellers    | 99 00   |           |
| Ballots    | 26 00   |           |
| Tax Lists  | 5 00    |           |
|            | <hr/>   | \$ 155 00 |

## Contingent:

|                         |          |           |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------|
| Chairs                  | \$ 86 50 |           |
| Registration of Tractor | 2 00     |           |
| Typewriter              | 80 00    |           |
| Moderator               | 10 00    |           |
| Military Aid            | 2 50     |           |
| Sprays                  | 10 00    |           |
| Illig Property Repairs  | 107 03   |           |
|                         | <hr/>    | \$ 298 03 |

## Town Hall:

|         |          |  |
|---------|----------|--|
| Janitor | \$520 00 |  |
|---------|----------|--|

|                                 |          |             |
|---------------------------------|----------|-------------|
| Water                           | 20 00    |             |
| Fuel                            | 290 45   |             |
| Lights                          | 60 84    |             |
| Repairs and Supplies            | 123 18   |             |
| Painting                        | 200 00   |             |
|                                 |          | <hr/>       |
|                                 |          | \$ 1,214 47 |
| Constables:                     |          |             |
| Services                        | \$96 50  |             |
| Dog Officers                    | 1 00     |             |
|                                 |          | <hr/>       |
|                                 |          | \$ 97 50    |
| Fire Department:                |          |             |
| Rent                            | \$300 00 |             |
| Siren                           | 9 00     |             |
| Maintenance                     | 280 65   |             |
|                                 |          | <hr/>       |
|                                 |          | \$ 589 65   |
| Compensation                    | 243 75   |             |
|                                 |          | <hr/>       |
|                                 |          | \$ 243 75   |
| New Truck                       | 1,489 73 |             |
|                                 |          | <hr/>       |
|                                 |          | \$ 1,489 73 |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures: |          |             |
| Services                        | \$25 00  |             |
| Supplies                        | 2 15     |             |
|                                 |          | <hr/>       |
|                                 |          | \$ 27 15    |
| Building Inspector:             |          |             |
| Services                        | \$50 00  |             |
|                                 |          | <hr/>       |
|                                 |          | \$ 50 00    |

## Planning Board:

|          |          |           |
|----------|----------|-----------|
| Survey   | \$488 00 |           |
| Supplies | 6 20     |           |
|          | <hr/>    | \$ 494 20 |

## Moth:

|          |          |           |
|----------|----------|-----------|
| Labor    | \$181 75 |           |
| Supplies | 16 16    |           |
|          | <hr/>    | \$ 197 91 |

## Tree Warden:

|           |          |           |
|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Labor     | \$ 49 00 |           |
| Emergency | 279 00   |           |
|           | <hr/>    | \$ 328 00 |

## Health:

|                      |          |             |
|----------------------|----------|-------------|
| Services             | \$ 25 00 |             |
| Serum                | 37 88    |             |
| Transportation       | 5 00     |             |
| Garbage Collection   | 125 00   |             |
| Tubercular Hospital  | 1,006 53 |             |
| Inspector of Animals | 50 00    |             |
| Inspection of Meat   | 12 00    |             |
|                      | <hr/>    | \$ 1,261 41 |

## Highways:

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Chapter 81               | \$7,254 96 |
| Chapter 90, Maintenance  | 5,499 42   |
| Chapter 90, Construction | 5,180 03   |
| Chapter 496              | 499 80     |
| Chapter 500              | 800 00     |

|                           |           |             |
|---------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Equipment Maintenance     | 573 21    |             |
| Snow Removal              | 991 29    |             |
|                           | <hr/>     | \$20,798 71 |
| Street Lights:            |           |             |
| Current                   | \$878 08  |             |
|                           | <hr/>     | \$ 878 08   |
| Public Welfare:           |           |             |
| Services                  | \$ 75 00  |             |
| Board and Care            | 2,513 59  |             |
| Supplies                  | 9 62      |             |
|                           | <hr/>     | \$ 2,598 21 |
| Old Age Assistance:       |           |             |
| Administration            | \$ 16 39  |             |
| Aid                       | 3,602 51  |             |
|                           | <hr/>     | \$ 3,618 90 |
| Military Aid:             |           |             |
| Aid                       | \$105 00  |             |
|                           | <hr/>     | \$ 105 00   |
| Schools:                  |           |             |
| Committee                 | \$ 150 00 |             |
| Superintendent            | 492 60    |             |
| Superintendent's Expenses | 38 04     |             |
| Teachers' Salaries        | 4,661 14  |             |
| Health                    | 262 44    |             |
| Books and Supplies        | 282 79    |             |
| Transportation            | 2,565 00  |             |
| Tuition                   | 55 00     |             |



|                    |          |
|--------------------|----------|
| Janitor            | 841 28   |
| Fuel and Lights    | 391 45   |
| Repairs            | 1,169 76 |
| Janitors' Supplies | 48 72    |
| New Equipment      | 593 15   |
| Boiler Inspection  | 5 00     |
| Graduation         | 7 86     |
| Shrubbery          | 88 20    |
| Others             | 26 52    |

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\$11,678 95

|        |         |
|--------|---------|
| Clinic | \$59 00 |
|--------|---------|

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\$ 59 00

#### High Schools:

|                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Tuition        | \$5,932 00 |
| Transportation | 2,720 50   |

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\$ 8,652 50

#### Trade Schools:

|                |            |
|----------------|------------|
| Tuition        | \$1,850 32 |
| Transportation | 771 30     |

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\$ 2,621 62

#### Library:

|                 |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| Librarian       | \$399 99 |
| Janitor         | 365 00   |
| Books           | 269 84   |
| Fuel and Lights | 178 62   |
| Water           | 20 00    |
| Others          | 33 26    |

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\$ 1,266 71

## Care of Common:

|                   |         |          |
|-------------------|---------|----------|
| Labor             | \$49 75 |          |
| Mower and Benches | 7 97    |          |
| Flag              | 41 00   |          |
|                   | <hr/>   | \$ 98 72 |

## Fourth of July:

|             |         |          |
|-------------|---------|----------|
| Celebration | \$51 59 |          |
|             | <hr/>   | \$ 51 59 |

## Memorial Day:

|            |         |          |
|------------|---------|----------|
| Observance | \$57 15 |          |
|            | <hr/>   | \$ 57 15 |

## Town Clock:

|      |         |          |
|------|---------|----------|
| Care | \$60 00 |          |
|      | <hr/>   | \$ 60 00 |

## Insurance:

|                    |          |             |
|--------------------|----------|-------------|
| Bonds              | \$ 48 50 |             |
| Fire and Liability | 1,156 27 |             |
|                    | <hr/>    | \$ 1,204 77 |

## Printing:

|              |          |           |
|--------------|----------|-----------|
| Town Reports | \$167 10 |           |
| Check Books  | 3 79     |           |
|              | <hr/>    | \$ 170 89 |

## Water Department:

|                |          |
|----------------|----------|
| Commissioners  | \$ 75 00 |
| Superintendent | 300 00   |

|                           |            |             |
|---------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Clerical                  | 15 00      |             |
| Labor                     | 447 07     |             |
| Pipe and Fittings         | 186 78     |             |
| Equipment                 | 136 10     |             |
| Fuel and Power            | 398 73     |             |
| Meters                    | 186 16     |             |
| All Others                | 108 14     |             |
|                           | <hr/>      | \$ 1,852 98 |
| Richards Avenue Extension | \$1,456 10 |             |
|                           | <hr/>      | \$ 1,456 10 |
| Hydrant Rental            | \$950 00   |             |
|                           | <hr/>      | \$ 950 00   |

## Electric Light Department:

|                              |          |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Commissioners                | \$ 75 00 |
| Clerical                     | 178 53   |
| Meter Reader                 | 300 00   |
| Printing, Telephone, Postage | 55 67    |
| Care of Lights               | 45 00    |
| Repair of Lines              | 3,825 70 |
| Meters and Repairs           | 19 60    |
| Current                      | 7,315 01 |
| Materials and Supplies       | 3,153 69 |
| Insurance and Bonds          | 233 10   |
| Installations                | 476 34   |
| Meter Refunds                | 99 03    |
| Depreciation                 | 727 35   |
| Rent                         | 75 00    |
| Street Lamps                 | 136 21   |
| Truck and Maintenance        | 1,064 70 |
| Office Expense               | 72 88    |

|                  |        |             |
|------------------|--------|-------------|
| Express          | 18 42  |             |
| Land for Station | 300 07 |             |
| Taxes            | 7 25   |             |
|                  | <hr/>  | \$18,178 55 |

## Cemeteries:

|                      |          |           |
|----------------------|----------|-----------|
| Mooreland            | \$140 00 |           |
| Painting Fence       | 60 00    |           |
| Perpetual Care Funds | 435 00   |           |
|                      | <hr/>    | \$ 635 00 |

## Interest and Discount:

|                      |          |             |
|----------------------|----------|-------------|
| Revenue Notes        | \$43 98  |             |
| Highways             | 6 11     |             |
| School Buildings     | 220 00   |             |
| Recreation           | 275 00   |             |
| Water                | 2,800 00 |             |
| Trust Funds V. I. S. | 126 42   |             |
|                      | <hr/>    | \$ 3,471 51 |

## Certification of Notes:

|      |        |         |
|------|--------|---------|
| Fees | \$8 00 |         |
|      | <hr/>  | \$ 8 00 |

## Municipal Indebtedness:

|                 |             |             |
|-----------------|-------------|-------------|
| Revenue Loan    | \$10,000 00 |             |
| School Building | 2,000 00    |             |
| Highways        | 5,000 00    |             |
| Recreation      | 500 00      |             |
|                 | <hr/>       | \$17,500 00 |

## Agency:

|                             |            |             |
|-----------------------------|------------|-------------|
| State Tax                   | \$2,720 00 |             |
| Auditing                    | 742 04     |             |
| State Parks and Reservation | 30 19      |             |
| Veteran's Exemption         | 6 50       |             |
|                             | <hr/>      | \$ 3,498 73 |

|              |            |             |
|--------------|------------|-------------|
| County Tax   | \$1,782 02 |             |
| Dog Licenses | 311 00     |             |
|              | <hr/>      | \$ 2,093 02 |

## Cemeteries:

|                      |          |           |
|----------------------|----------|-----------|
| Perpetual Care Funds | \$350 00 |           |
|                      | <hr/>    | \$ 350 00 |

## Overdrafts 1937:

|                |         |          |
|----------------|---------|----------|
| Moderator      | \$ 5 00 |          |
| Public Welfare | 22 00   |          |
|                | <hr/>   | \$ 27 00 |

## Refunds:

|                      |         |           |
|----------------------|---------|-----------|
| Taxes 1937           | \$ 7 41 |           |
| J. R. Barclay Taxes  | 270 92  |           |
| Taxes 1938           | 29 65   |           |
| Motor Vehicle Excise | 5 21    |           |
| Adjustment           | 1 00    |           |
|                      | <hr/>   | \$ 314 19 |

## TOTAL PAYMENTS

\$112,506 03

Balance December 31, 1938

3,875 03

## TOTAL

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\$116,381 06

## OUTSTANDING DEBT, DECEMBER 31, 1938

|                    |             |             |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|
| School Loan        | \$ 2,000 00 |             |
| Highway Loan       | 5,000 00    |             |
| Revenue Loan       | 5,000 00    |             |
| Recreational Field | 4,500 00    |             |
| Water Bonds        | 70,000 00   |             |
|                    | <hr/>       | \$86,500 00 |

Respectfully submitted,

ETTA E. ROBINSON,  
Treasurer.

## Report of the Board of Water Commissioners

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1938

Paxton, Mass., January 12, 1939.

During the year water has been supplied to eleven new customers, making a total of 76 water takers. We expect during the year of 1939 ten new installations.

### RECEIPTS FOR 1938:

|                        |            |
|------------------------|------------|
| Water consumption      | \$1,598 05 |
| Hydrant rentals        | 950 00     |
| Water installations    | 293 29     |
| Miscellaneous receipts | 13 95      |
|                        | <hr/>      |
|                        | \$2,855 29 |

### Accounts receivable:

|               |         |
|---------------|---------|
| Installations | \$77 70 |
|---------------|---------|

The suit brought by the contractors against the town has on their appeal been tried in the higher court. The Judge has not handed down his decision as of January 12, 1939.

The water extention on Richards Ave. is progressing and 500 feet of eight inch water main has been laid and mostly covered.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM J. McKINLEY,  
WALTER H. BROWN,  
ROBERT L. CARPENTER.

# Report of the Department of Public Welfare

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1938

|                            |                  |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| Appropriation              | \$2,500 00       |
| Interest from Boynton Fund | 25 15            |
|                            | <hr/> \$2,525 15 |

Expenditures:

|              |                  |
|--------------|------------------|
| Case No. 59  | \$260 71         |
| Case No. 86  | 18 00            |
| Case No. 89  | 286 36           |
| Case No. 91  | 9 00             |
| Case No. 95  | 485 87           |
| Case No. 102 | 255 00           |
| Case No. 114 | 719 25           |
| Case No. 116 | 22 50            |
| Case No. 120 | 104 49           |
| Case No. 121 | 69 05            |
| Case No. 122 | 31 00            |
| Case No. 123 | 5 00             |
| Case No. 124 | 40 00            |
| Case No. 125 | 65 88            |
|              | <hr/> \$2,372 11 |
| Commodities  | 4 85             |
| Salaries     | 79 58            |



Postage and Supplies

5 34

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\$2,461 88

Balance

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\$ 63 27ARTHUR J. CROMPTON,  
Chairman.EVELYN M. GLEASON,  
Clerk.

GLIDDEN B. PIERCE.

# Report of the Bureau of Old Age Assistance

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1938.

|                       |                  |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| Appropriation         | \$1,500 00       |
| Federal Reimbursement | 1,782 11         |
|                       | <hr/> \$3,282 11 |

Expenditures:

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Case No. 3        | \$312 00 |
| Case No. 8        | 336 00   |
| Case No. 9        | 360 00   |
| Case No. 11       | 312 00   |
| Case No. 12       | 312 00   |
| Case No. 13       | 104 00   |
| Case No. 14       | 210 00   |
| Case No. 15       | 300 00   |
| Case No. 16       | 300 00   |
| Case No. 18       | 120 00   |
| Case No. 19       | 300 00   |
| Case No. 20       | 312 00   |
| Case No. 21       | 150 00   |
| Case No. 6 and 17 | 204 84   |
| Case No. 22       | 57 17    |

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\$3,690 01

|           |                                |
|-----------|--------------------------------|
| Overdrawn | 407 90                         |
|           | <hr/> \$3,690 01    \$3,690 01 |

## Federal Grant O. A. A. Administration:

|                                  |         |         |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|
| January 1st, Bal.                | \$31 72 |         |
| Reimbursement for Administration | 59 37   |         |
| Postage and supplies             |         | \$21 16 |
| Balance                          |         | 79 93   |
|                                  | <hr/>   |         |
|                                  | \$91 09 | \$91 09 |

ARTHUR J. CROMPTON,  
Chairman.

EVELYN GLEASON,  
Clerk.

GLIDDEN B. PIERCE.

# TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

WORCESTER, SS:

To the Town Clerk of the Town of Paxton,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, who are qualified to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet in "Allen Hall" on MONDAY the SIXTH day of February A. D. 1939, at 12 o'clock, Noon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To bring in to Election Officers their votes for the following Town Officers to be voted for on the Official ballot:

Moderator 1 yr., Town Clerk 1 yr., Collector of Taxes 1 yr., Treasurer 1 yr., Auditor 1 yr., two Constables 1 yr., Tree Warden 1 yr., Selectman 3 yrs., one member Board Public Welfare 3 yrs., Assessor 3 yrs., one member School Committee 3 yrs., one member Municipal Light Board 3 yrs., Cemetery Commissioner 3 yrs., Water Commissioner 3 yrs., two Trustees Richards Memorial Library 3 yrs., one trustee of Richards Memorial Library 1 yr. to fill vacancy, and one member of Planning Board 5 yrs.

All of the above officers to be voted for upon one ballot.

Also to choose any other necessary town officers.

The polls will be open from 12 o'clock, Noon, until 8 P. M.

The business meeting to open at 7 o'clock P. M.

Article 2. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and Committees and act thereon and act upon any recommendations contained in said reports, and to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be required in accordance with said reports or otherwise, or act in any way thereon.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money (see budget) with which to pay the proper charge of a Surety Company for acting as surety on bonds required by town officers and authorize the Selectmen to approve the same.

Article 4. To see if the town will authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1939, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Article 5. To see if the town will authorize the payment of a 1938 bill for \$24.00 to the Worcester County Sanatorium under the Board of Health, raise and appropriate this sum of money or act in any way thereon.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$23.25 to cover unpaid bills of the Constables, Dog Officer, and care of Common, or act in any way thereon.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to cover the overdraft on Old Age Assistance for the year 1938 or act in any way thereon.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to pay the 1934 Taxes on the Howe Farm amounting to \$37.72 with interest;

also the 1936 Taxes amounting to \$156.75 with interest, charging same to rent of previous years, or act in any way thereon.

Article 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to improve the buildings on the Illig property so called, or act in any way thereon.

Article 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$800.00 to be used on Chapter 90 roads for maintenance, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State and County or both, for this purpose, or act in any way thereon.

Article 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for construction on Rockland St. under Chapter 90, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for enlarging the Electric Light Plant to serve the new radio station, payment to be made by serial notes from their own revenue, or act in any way thereon.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$50.00 for the purpose of protecting the town clock, said sum to be taken from Contingent, or act in any way thereon.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to use the income from the C. D. Boynton Fund for general purposes for the construction of sidewalks under direction of the Board of Selectmen or act in any way thereon.

Article 15. To see if the town will re-appropriate the

unexpended balance of \$17.85 on Memorial Day Fund to purchase Grave markers to replace missing or damaged on Veteran's graves and also to purchase new markers as needed, or act in any way thereon.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to appoint the American Legion as a committee to have charge of the observance of Memorial day, or act in any way thereon.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to elect two additional members to the School Committee, so as to constitute a School Committee of five members, or act in any way thereon.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for the extension of water on Richards Ave. or act in any way thereon.

Article 19. To see if the town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a town accountant as provided for in section 55 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, for a term of three years, who may be a member of their board, raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Town Accountants department or act in any way thereon. (See Budget.)

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to abolish the office of auditor.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to give the Fire Department members compensation for their services or act in any way thereon.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee to have charge of the observance of the Fourth of July, or act in any way thereon.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to pay the Moderator \$10.00 for his services at the Annual Town

Meeting and \$5.00 for any special meetings, charging same to Contingent, or act in any way thereon.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to transfer the sum of \$658.50 from highway equipment fund to the highway equipment maintenance fund to be used to furnish supplies and maintain the town's highway equipment, or act in any way thereon.

Article 25. To see if town will vote to transfer the sum of \$892.12 from overlay surplus to the reserve fund or act in any way thereon.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the Dog fund to the Richards Memorial Library, or act in any way thereon.

Article 27. To see what action the town wishes to take regarding a ban on fireworks.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Assessors to use up to 60% of the surplus funds in the hands of the Town Treasurer, available when the tax rate is ready to be set, as recommended by the Tax Commissioner for the purpose of reducing the tax rate for the current year, or act in any way thereon.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote that the income from the sales of electricity to private consumers or for electricity supplied to municipal buildings or municipal power during the current fiscal year be appropriated for the Municipal Light Plant, to be expended by the manager under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board for the expense of the plant for said fiscal year, as defined in Section 57, Chapter 164 of the General Laws, including any new business.



Article 30. To see if the town will accept from Dell A. Hamilton et als., known as the Hamilton heirs, a deed of a strip of land thirty-three (33) feet in width for an extension of the town way now known as Highland Court and make a definite layout of a town way from Richards Ave. easterly over lands of Mary M. Daniher and others and over said strip of land and change the name of said town way to Highland Street, or act in any way thereon.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting two attested copies thereof, one of which shall be at the Post Office, seven days at least before the time set for holding said meeting as directed by a by-law of the town.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 23rd. day of January, A. D., 1939.

GEORGE C. HUNT,  
MARY M. DANIHER,  
CARL H. WOOD,

Selectmen of Paxton.