# ANNUAL REPORT

# OF THE TOWN OFFICIALS

OF THE TOWN OF

# PAXTON

**MASSACHUSETTS** 



FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1951

The Hoyle Press, 91 Exchange St., Worcester

# Town Officers for 1951

Moderator

JESSE E. MILLS

Town Clerk

LESLIE E. ROBINSON

Collector of Taxes

MARION E. MACCABEE

Treasurer

MARION E. MACCABEE

Constables

AUGUSTUS W. OATLEY, JR. WILLIAM O WYLIE

Tree Warden

FRED R. DIFLEY

## Selectmen

ARTHUR J. CROMPTON	Term	Expires	1952
LOUIS T. HAMBLIN	Term	Expires	1953
SHERMAN S. LUDDEN	Term	Expires	1954

# Public Welfare

RUTH B. McKINLEY	Term	Expires	1952
JOSEPH S. LANGEVIN	Term	Expires	1953
GEORGE G. CARLSON	Term	Expires	1954

#### Assessors

ROBERT A. BELEY	Term Expires 195	2
FRED E. WATSON	Term Expires 195	3
GEORGE C. HUNT	Term Expires 195	4

# **School Committee**

CHARLES C. CRAIG	Term	Expires	1952
HARRY CLERK	Term	Expires	1953
M. LAWRENCE PRICE	Term	Expires	1954

# Municipal Light Board

DEANE O. HOWLAND	Term Expires 1953	2
GEORGE T. DEWEY, Jr.	Term Expires 195	3
ROBERT C. HARRINGTON	Term Expires 195	4

# **Cemetery Commission**

ERDIC G. NICHOLS	Term Expires 1952
H. RENO KENNEN, Jr.	Term Expires 1953
GEORGE MACCABEE	Term Expires 1954

# Water Commission

FRANKLIN G. FLEMING,	Jr.	Term	Expires	1952
NORMAN H. OSGOOD		Term	Expires	1953
CHARLES L. PORTER		Term	Expires	1954

# Trustees, Richards Memorial Library

VERNA E. HOWLAND	Term	Expires	1952
HARRY E. WHITCOMB	Term	Expires	1952
HAROLD R. LEFFINGWELL	Term	Expires	1953
RALPH E. TUPPER (Resigned)	Term	Expires	1953
MIRIAM W. DEWEY	Term	Expires	1954
MILTON P. LADD	Term	Expires	1954

# Planning Board

GEORGE G. KARLE	Term	Expires	1952
HERBERT F. WENTWORTH	Term	Expires	1953
FRANKLIN D. FLEMING, Jr.	Term	Expires	1954
BERNARD R. REARDON	Term	Expires	1955
HAROLD F. HANSEN	Term	Expires	1956

# Board of Health

SALLY H. STANSFIELD	Term Expires 1952
THOMAS P. CUNNINGHAM	Term Expires 1953
RICHARD C. DeLONG	Term Expires 1954

# Wachusett Regional High School Committee

TROOM	17	WITTIG	Town Trainer	1050
JEOOF	L.	MILLS	Term Expires	1992

# APPOINTMENTS BY THE MODERATOR

# Finance Committee

MERVYN E. RICHARDS	Term	Expires	1952	
ROBERT C. BRUCE		Expires		
REUBEN O'JANNE	Term	Expires	1953	
HILTON CUNNINGHAM	Term	Expires	1953	
WILLIAM J. LAMOTTE	Term	Expires	1954	
J. ARDEN WOODALL	Term	Expires	1954	

# 4th of July Committee

# THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

# Tellers at Town Election

MRS. MARY ST. MARTIN MRS. LORA TAYLOR MRS. ETTA E. ROBINSON MRS. LILLIAN SISTARE

#### APPOINTMENTS BY SELECTMEN

Care of Town Clock
WILLIAM O. WYLIE

Superintendent of Streets WALTER V. PIKE

Dog Officer
CARL H. JOHNSON

Sealer of Weights and Measures
WILLIAM O. WYLIE

Care of Flag and Common
GEORGE G. CARLSON (Res.) LEONARD SAARINEN

Building Inspector FRED E. WATSON

Inspector of Wires
ROY M. WENTWORTH

Moth Superintendent GEORGE L. McGOVERN

Forest Fire Warden FRANK G. HATSTAT

Measurers of Wood and Bark and Field Drivers

ELLIOT CROUCH FRED R. DIFLEY

CHARLES C. CRAIG

# Alternate Member, Board of Appeals BURTON E. JOHNSON

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#### Special Police Officers

GEORGE MACCABEE

JOSEPH W. HIMELMAN

FOSTER T. BORDEAUX

F. WYMAN ROGERS (Boynton Park)

CARL JOHNSON (School Patrol)

HOWARD CRESWELL (School)

#### Police Officers

DONALD W. SISTRAE
AUGUSTUS W. OATLEY, Jr.

WILLIAM O. WYLIE
GEORGE G. KARLE

# Swimming Pool Project Committee

BERNARD R. REARDON (Ch.)
WILLIAM J. McKINLEY HERBERT F. WENTWORTH
GEORGE G. KARLE WALTER V. PIKE
LEROY T. CLOCKEDILE CLIFFORD DARWIN
FRANKLIN G. FLEMING, Jr. HAROLD F. HANSEN
M. LAWRENCE PRICE

# Appointment to Fill Vacancy

LAURENS SEELYE

Library Trustee

OF THE

# TOWN CLERK

#### VITAL STATISTICS

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#### BIRTHS

#### January

- 9 Brian Joseph, son of Alfred J. and Lillian M. (Ellis) Lambert.
- 30 Melvyn John, son of Pentti M. and Hilja M. (Koivisto) Penttila.

# February

16 Karen Maria, daughter of Michael and Gertrude I. Littlewood) Jeannette.

#### March

- 4 Cathy Ann, daughter of Frederick G. and Rachel M. (Longley) Antell.
- 8 Daniel Thomas, son of Charles A. and Beatrice E. (Auger) Craig.
- 17 Paula Jean, daughter of Donald H. and Grace R. (Langevin) Lewis.
- 26 Gail Allen, daughter of Allen A. and Leona L. (Paquette) Monkley.
- 27 Daughter born to George C. and Carolyn M. (Hurney) Gentile.

#### April

1 Sandra Ann, daughter of Donald M. and Elizabeth M. (Stuart) Rossier.

#### May

- 8 Mary Louise, daughter of Peter B. and Marjorie R. (Taylor) Clemens.
- 23 Norman Russell, Jr., son of Norman R. and Esther (Farmer) Schonberg.

#### June

- 7 Warren Robert, son of William H. and Ethel A. (Smith) Johnson.
- 28 Laurel Marcia, daughter of Lawrence and Doris (Flodin) Soderman.

# July

- 5 Nancy Jayne, daughter of Robert P. and Helen T. (Fadgen) Sheehan.
- 6 Donna Marie, daughter of Aleck and Rose (Gribb) Urbanovitch.
- 12 Murray, daughter of Arthur and Alice (Peloquin) Murray.
- 20 Richard Charles, son of Charles R. and Dorothy M. (Jule) Griffin.
- 25 Cheryl Ann, daughter of Richard C. and Maureen I. (Daley) Mullaney.

#### August

5 Gary Lavoine, son of Sumner E., Jr., and Virginia R. (Dostoler) Taylor.

31 Nora Jean, daughter of Francis W. and Ruth E. (Franklin) Ryan.

#### October

- 3 Joseph John, son of Joseph J. and Lucille L. (Dumas) Urbanovitch.
- 5 Andrea Lee, daughter of Odd N. and Arline L. (Taylor) Lilleheil.
- 24 Deborah Jean, daughter of Robert J. and Mildred L. (Ahearn) Langevin.

#### November

- 1 Linda Marie, daughter of Richard W. and Normalee (Eo) Kilmer.
- 23 Christine, daughter of Leonard W. and Muriel A. (Nichols) Morrison.
- 28 William Harold, Jr., son of William H. and Jeanette (Conner) Ahearn.

#### December

- 10 Carl Leonard, son of Carl G. and Alice B. (Wiberg) Larson.
- 27 Nancy Linda, daughter of Jere and Shirley M. (Littlewood) Scola.

#### MARRIAGES

#### January

13 Robert J. Lengevin and Mildred L. Ahearn of Paxton.

### February

10 Calvin C. Stewart of Worcester and Joan L. Berglund of Paxton.

#### April

- 4 Charles E. St. Armand, Jr., and Janet (LaFontaine) Oliver of Paxton.
- 7 Joseh J. Urbanovitch of Paxton and Lucille L. Dumas of Worcester.
- 21 Peter P. Urbanovitch of Paxton and Doris H. (Wagner) Gibbons of Holden.
- 21 Richard C. Mullaney of Paxton and Maureen I. Daly of Millbury.
- 22 Alfred M. Edwards of Paxton and Dorothy L. Morin of Rutland.

#### May

- 4 W. Douglas Crandall of Worcester and Shirley M. Reardon of Paxton.
- 5 Donald R. Faucher of Paxton and Jeanne R. Charbonneau of Worcester.
- 27 Raymond V. Kauppila of Paxton and Beatrice C. Murphy of Roslindale.

#### June

- 9 Eugene M. Beley of Paxton and Shirley M. Peters of Rutland.
- 15 Chester R. Skagerlind of Paxton and Ruth A. Goodale of West Boylston.
- 19 Richard N. Baker of Worcester and Norma C. Reiss of Paxton.

#### July

21 Arthur J. Manzi of Paxton and I. Carol Madsen of Worcester.

#### August

18 Arthur J. Crompton, Jr., and Carol E. Sheehan of Paxton.

## September

- 2 Charles R. Diston of Leicester and Ava May Potter of Paxton.
- 3 Gerard E. Plante of Worcester and Mary Sheehan of Paxton.
- 22 Raymond B. Emerson and Ruth L. Carlson of Paxton.
- 29 Gerald J. Fontaine of Paxton and Claire P. Desilets of Worcester.

#### October

27 William F. Fleming and Helen R. (Barolet) Duso of Paxton.

#### December

1 Grover C. Adams, Jr., of Williamsbuhg, Virginia, and Marjorie R. Johnson of Paxton.

#### DEATHS

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#### January

6 Christine L. Larson (Acute upper respiratory infection)

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#### March

28 Edward Valentine Hoyt 85 — — (Arteriosclerotic heart disease)

#### April

25 Elizabeth H. Rossier 85 — 20 Arteriosclerotic kidney)

26	John Ahearn, (Coronary occlusion)	80	_	-
	May			
10	Charles Nanigan (Rt. lobar pneumonia)	91		-
27	Anna T. Peck (Chronic myocarditis)	86	7	29
	August			
27	John H. Shays (Cerebral hemorrhage with right hemiplegia	88		_
	September			
12	Mari (Hoiska) Kauppila (Septicemia)	52	7	1
17	Clitheroe M. (Walker) Williams	41	4	25
	October			
2	Francis K. Arnold (Fracture of skull with brain injury)	30	7	7
	November			
6	Edith (Sherer) King (Coronary artery disease)	77	_	-
	December			
9	Grace (Hamilton) Clairmont (Gastro-enteritis)	83	5	11
12	Nazareth Nanigian (Cerebral hemorrhage)	61	<del>-</del>	_

#### LICENSES ISSUED IN 1951

- 279 Resident Citizen Fishing
  - 96 Resident Citizen Hunting
- 138 Resident Citizen Sporting
  - 85 Resident Citizen Minor and Female Fishing
    - 3 Resident Citizen Trapping
    - 4 Non-Resident 3-Day Fishing
    - 2 Non-Resident Citizen Fishing
    - 5 Duplicate
    - 8 Resident Citizen Sporting and Trapping (Free, 70 y.)
    - 5 Resident Citizen Military or Naval Sporting (Free)

Paid Division of Fisheries and Game

\$1,314.75

## Dog Licenses

- 102 Males
  - 28 Females
  - 56 Spayed
    - 5 Kennel

Paid Town Treasurer

\$467.80

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE E. ROBINSON
Town Clerk

# Report of Voting at Annual Town Meeting

#### March 5, 1951

#### Article 1. Election of Town Officers.

Article 2. Acceptance of reports of Town Officers and acceptance of the budget, item by item, presented by the Finance Committee with changes voted from the floor at the meeting.

The following action was taken under the vote on the budget.

Voted to increase the Planning Board appropriation from \$500.00 to \$750.00.

Voted to increase the Town Clerk's salary from \$150.00 to \$200.00 per year.

Voted to increase the Town Hall appropriation from \$2,400.00 to \$2,600.00, \$200.00 to be used for new lights.

Voted not to include the item for the new siren as this was voted in 1950 and must be an error.

Voted to reduce the amount for snow removal from \$4,500.00 to \$3,750.00.

Voted to take up Article 10.

Article 10. Voted to extend the street lighting system

by 2 street lights on all streets where they can be extended and now have street lights, and to increase the amount for the operating expenses from \$1,000.00 as printed in the budget to \$1,273.00.

Voted to transfer \$5,375.00 from availabel funds to the Water Dept. expenses.

Voted to increase the amount for hydrants from \$1,150.00 to \$1,200.00.

- Article 3. Voted to pay the charges of a Surety Company on bonds of Town Officers and to authorize the Selectmen to approve the same.
- Article 4. Voted to authoize the Town Treasurer to borrow money from time to time with the approval of the Selectmen, and to renew any note or notes of the Town in accordance with section 17, chapter 44, of the General Laws.
- Article 5. Voted to have the Moderator appoint a committee to have charge of the observance of Fourth of July.

Fire Department appointed.

- Article 6. Voted to appoint the American Legion Post to have charge of the observance of Memorial Day.
- Article 7. Voted to give the members of the Fire Department compensation for their services.
- Article 8. Voted to appropriate the money received from the Dog Fund to the Richards Memorial Library account.
- Article 9. Voted to pass over the Article. (Appropriation of a sum of money to cover the cost of the Annual Christmas Tree Party.)

Article 10. Voted under Article 2.

Article 11. Electic Light Dept. article. Voted to accept as read.

Article 12. Voted to amend Section 3 of the by-laws with respect to Inspector of wires by substituting the following provisions:

"Section 3. Every corporation or person proposing to place or attach wires designed to carry a current of electricity for ligting heating, or power, in or attached to a building, pole, or structure, shall give written notice thereof to the Inspector of Wires before commencing work and no wiring shall be covered or concealed until it shall have been inspected and approved by the Inspector of Wires and such wires shall not be energized until written permission to do so has been given by said Inspector of Wires."

Approved by the Attorney General, August 17, 1951.

Article 13. Voted to pass over the Article. (Making the Tax Collector the office and duties of a Town Collector.)

Article 15. Voted to pass over the Article. (Increasing salary of Tax Collector to \$600.00.)

Article 15. Voted to lay Article on the table. (Clearance of snow from sidewalks on south side of West St. and Pleasant St.)

- Article 16. Voted to pass over the Article. (Purchase of a sidewalk snowplow.)
- Article 17. Voted to appropriate \$2,800.00 as the Town's share of cost of Chapter 81 maintenance.
- Article 18. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 as the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 highway maintenance.
- Article 19. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 as the Town's share of the cost of construction on Marshall St.
- Article 20. Voted to authorize the Selectmen to accept a deed of easement for the relocation of Marshall St. westerly from the end of the 1944 relocation to land of LaMotte.
- Article 21. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$302.00 to pay a part time Civil Service employee for administering Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children, and General Relief programs under the Board of Public Welfare.
- Article 22. Voted to lay article on the table. (Constables to be appointed by Selectmen instead of elected by ballot.)
- Article 23. Voted to accept the provisions of Chapter 820 of the Acts of 1950. (Allows for increase of \$100 yearly to all eligible employees now on pension.)
- Article 24. Voted to transfer \$300.00 from the "Illig Fund" to the "Illig Property Maintenance Fund".
  - Article 25. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum

of \$367.34 as the Town's share of the assessment for the Wachusett Regional School District for general purposes.

Article 26. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,496.25 as the Town's share of the interest and principal paid in 1951 on bonds to be issued for construction of new High School of the Wachusett Regional School District.

Article 27. Voted that the Planning Board be a committee to report at the next Annual Town Meeting or before on the matter of by-passing the center of town if Route No. 122 is to be rebuilt.

Voted to take up Article 30.

Article 30. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,600.00 and \$4,000.00 to be raised in 1 serial note payable in 1952 with the interest, the combined amount to be used for the purpose of extending the water main on Grove St. in from Pleasant St. a distance of 1,810 ft.

Voted to hear the result of the election at this time.

Voted to adjourn the Annual Town Meetng until March 12, 1951, at 7:30 P. M.

# Report of the Annual Town Meeting

#### ADJOURNED

March 12, 1951

Voted to take up Article 2 in reference to the item of the budget, "Reserve Fund".

Voted to rescind the vote at the Annual Town Meeting and to transfer the sum of \$3,000.00 from Overlay Surplus to the Reserve Fund.

Voted to reconsider Article 14.

Voted to increase the salary of the Tax Collector to \$600.00 per year.

Voted to reconsider Article 22.

Voted to lay Article 22 on the table.

Article 28. Voted to lay on the table. (Payments of water extensions on Colony Lane and Crystal under the 15 year plan of the Water Dept.)

Article 29. Voted to lay article on the table. (Raise and appropriate \$22,000.00 for the construction of a sand filter and low lift pumping equipment for purifying water taken from Asknebumskit Pond.)

Article 30. Acted upon at the March 5, meeting.

Article 31. Voted to lay article on the table. (Raise and appropriate \$2,600.00 to complete water extension on Holden Rd.)

Article 32. Voted to authorize the Water Board to compromise a controversy by accepting \$120.00 in return for a release of any obligation which may exist to pay a minimum charge for water on lots on Whitney Drive not now connected with the Water system.

Article 33. Voted to accept the list of Jurors as presented by the Selectmen.

Articles 34, 35, 36. Voted to accept Whitney Drive as a public street.

Articles 37, 38, 39. Voted to accept Spring Drive as a public street.

Articles 40, 41, 42. Voted to accept Center Drive as a public street.

Articles 43, 44, 45. Voted to accept Indian Hill Road as a public street.

Voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE E. ROBINSON
Town Clerk

# Proceedings of Special Town Meeting

## October 3, 1951

Article 1. Voted to transfer \$1,200.00 from the "Illig Fund" and \$3,800.00 from the "Dr. Andrew Jackson Howe Fund" to the "Swimming Pool Project Fund."

Article 2. Voted to authorize the Selectmen and the Planning Board jointly to appoint a committee to have full power to complete the Swimming Pool Project and to make all contracts and agreements necessary to accomplish this purpose.

Article 3. Voted that the Town accept from Herbert F. Wentworth and others, a deed of a strip of land adjoining the present Illig Property and that this land be set aside for park purposes.

Voted to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

LESLIE E. ROBINSON Town Clerk

# LIST OF JURORS

HARRY A. OSGOOD
HERBERT F. WENTWORTH
BERNARD R. REARDON
STANLEY H. MOOR
LAWRENCE M. PRICE
CLIFFORD DARWIN

OF THE

# BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The members of the Board of Selectmen met March 8, and organized as follows:

ARTHUR J. CROMPTON,
Chairman
LOUIS T. HAMBLIN, Clerk
SHERMAN S. LUDDEN,
Third Member

Permits were issued during the year for new buildings, remodeling and repairs at an approximate cost of \$530,200.00.

It might be interesting to n ote that out of one hundred thirty nine towns in the State, Paxton stood seventh in the percentage increase of new buildings to population.

The following Licenses and Permits were issued during the year.

- 3 Common Victuallers
- 4 Sunday Ice Cream and Soft Drinks
- 1 Innholders All Alcoholic Beverages
- 1 Restaurant All Alcoholic Beverages
- 1 Retail Package Store, All Alcoholic Beverages
- 1 Nursey School
- 3 Sunday Amusements

The meetings for all town officials were continued during the year. Two meetings were held.

A Versitile floor was laid in the kitchen of the Town Hall. The two small offices on the first floor were painted and equipped with venetian blinds; new fluorescent fixtures were installed in the main hall.

We extend our thanks to all town officials for their cooperation and able assistance.

Andrews S. January 1814 Phonology Services

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR J. CROMPTON LOUIS T. HAMBLIN SHERMAN S. LUDDEN Board of Selectmen

OF THE

## BOARD OF HEALTH

The following diseases were reported during the year:

- 2 Chicken Pox
- 4 Mumps
- 1 Measles

N.B. The Board of Health urges that all cases of communicable disease be reported as required by law. If there has been no doctor in attendance the parents should report the disease to the Board of Health themselves. We sincerely request your cooperation.

The following appointments were made by the Board:

Thomas F. Harney, Jr., Plumbing Inspector Sumner E. Taylor, Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering Leslie E. Robinson, Burial Agent

The following licenses were issued:

- 3 Methyl Alcohol
- 5 Milk and Cream
- 1 Pasteurization
- 1 Nursery School
- 1 Recreational Camp

We feel that the dump is working very satisfactorily and is being cared for in a competent manner.

Garbage collection has been extended considerably

throughout the town and the service has been very satisfactory.

Upon request we assisted in the planning of a meeting held in Paxton and the subjects presented were "District Nursing Services" and "Union Health Districts".

Once again we wish to express our gratitude to our town officials and townspeople for their assistance throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD C. DELONG,

Chairman
THOMAS P. CUNNINGHAM,

M.D. - Third Member
SALLY H. STANSFIELD,

Clerk

OF THE

# TREE WARDEN

I hereby submit the following report for the year 1951.

Appropriations \$650.00

Expenditures:
Spraying Trees \$100.00
Trimming and removing Trees 275.00
General Care 97.80

Balance \$472.80

Respectfully submitted,

FRED DIFLEY,

Tree Warden

OF THE

# TAX COLLECTOR

#### 1950 PERSONAL TAXES

Balance, Dec. 31, 1950 \$145.35 Collected 1951 \$145.35

#### 1950 REAL ESTATE TAXES

Balance, Dec. 31, 1950 \$3,064.72 Collected 1951 \$3,020.61 Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1951 44.11

\$3,064.72 \$3,064.72

#### 1950 MOTOR VEHICLE

Balance, Dec. 31, 1950 \$605.36
Additional Committment 62.23
Collected 1951 \$664.06
Abated 1951 3.53
\$667.59 \$667.59

#### 1951 POLL TAXES

 Committed
 \$778.00

 Collected 1951
 \$720.00

 Abated 1951
 50.00

 Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1951
 8.00

\$778.00 \$778.00

# 1951 PERSONAL TAXES

Committed	\$4,530.09
Collected 1951	\$4,260.30
Abated 1951	68.00
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1951	201.79
	\$4.530.09 \$4.530.09

# 1951 REAL ESTATE TAXES

Committed	\$59,691.39
Collected 1951	\$56,307.50
Abated 1951	947.75
Tax Titles	8.50
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1951	2,427.64

\$59,691.39 \$59,691.39

# 1951 MOTOR VEHICLE

7 Committments	\$11,239.23			
Collected 1951	\$10,500.76			
Abated 1951	136.70			
Outstanding, Dec. 31, 1951	601.77			

\$11,239.23 \$11,239.23

# INTEREST PAYMENTS TO TREASURER

1949	\$ .67
1950	78.67
1951	11.59
Total	\$90.93

# POLL DEMANDS TO TREASURER 1951 \$15.05

Respectfully submitted,

MARION E. MACCABEE, Collector of Taxes

OF THE

# BOARD OF ENGINEERS

The Department answered ten calls as follows:

- 1 Car Fire
- 1 Henhouse Fire
- 1 Playhouse Fire
- 1 House Call No Fire
- 1 Car Call No Fire
- 1 Brush Fire
- 4 Grass Fires

We are pleased to report that there have been no fires at the new dump.

There were several investigations of burning without a permit.

There were 206 burning permits issued.

A group of men had instructions on the use of equipment and running of the new truck.

The new fire truck was delivered on the 4th of June, it has the latest in fire fighting equipment, and will be an asset to the town.

The fire record for 1951 is, without doubt, one of the best this town has ever had. Let us try to do as well in 1952.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK HATSTAT LESLIE ROBINSON GORDON RICHARDS ROBERT BRUCE GEORGE KARLE

Board of Engineers

OF THE

# SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE

The Special Town Meeting held October voted the sum of \$5,000.00 (five thousand dollars) to be taken from the Howe Fund, the money to be used for the construction of a Swimming Pool.

The committee wishes to report that the contract for \$2,400.00 (two thousand - four hundred dollars) was let to clean out the basin. This was completed just before bad bad weather discontinued further operations 'til Spring, at which time a dam will be built and the pool area will be rounded out and graded.

The committee wishes to thank all private citizens who gave money for purchase of adjoining land necessary to the project.

BERNARD REARDON,
Chairman
HERBERT WENTWORTH,
Clerk

M. LAWRENCE PRICE
HAROLD HANSEN
WALTER PIKE
CLIFFORD DARWIN
WILLIAM McKINLEY
LEROY CLOCKEDILE
GEORGE KARLE
FRANKLIN FLEMMING

#### REPORT ON CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

#### Marshall Street

Station 51+00 - 64+50
Excavate and Widen to 22 ft.
Apply 18 in. Gravel
490 ft. - 12 in. Culvert Pipe
2 - 4 ft. Manholes
4 - 2 ft. x 4 ft. Drop Inlets
Surface with 1/4 gal. Tack Coat
Add 3 in. Surface Gravel
Mix and Place 1 1/3 Gal. T-6 Tar
Seal with 1/2 Gal. MC-3 Asphalt
Sand Cover and Roll

#### REPORT ON 90 MAINTENANCE

#### Richards Avenue

2000 Gals. T-6 Sand Cover 1100 Gals. T-9 Sand Cover

# Holden Road and Grove Street

2500 Gals. MC-3 Sand Cover

## Marshall Street

400 Gals. T-6 Sand Cover

## Reservoir Drive

1100 Gals. T-6 Sand Cover 700 Gals. T-9 Sand Cover

#### West Street

600 Gals. T-6 Sand Cover 2650 Gals. T-9 Sand Cover

## Maple Street

475 Gals. T-9 Sand Cover

#### Rockland Street

2500 ft. Shoulder Work

#### West Street

1800 ft. Shoulder Work

#### Richards Avenue

1650 ft. Shoulder Work

#### INVENTORY OF ROAD COMMISSIONER

as of December 31, 1951

- 1—Oliver 70 Tractor Loader and Mowing Machine Attachment
- 1-Frink One Way Snow Plow for Truck
- 1-Frink V Snow Plow for Truck
- 1-Motor Driven Sand Spreader
- 1—1 Barrel Tar Heating Tar Kettle
- 1-Walsh Snow Plow for Truck
- 1—Blow Torch
- 1—Road Drag
- 2-Road Screens
- 7—Tar Barrels
- 1—Roller Wheel Roller
- 800—Cement Bricks
- 120—C. B. Cement Blocks
  - 3—Lanterns
  - 12—Torches
    - 1—Austin Western Grader 99M
    - 1-Frink One Way Plow for Grader 99M
    - 1-Frink V Plow for Grader 99M
    - 4—Long Handle Shovels
    - 7-Worn Out Shovels
    - 2-No. 3 Round Point Shovels
    - 7-No. 2 Round Point Shovels

- 2-No. 3 Square Shovels
- 6-No. 2 Square Shovels
- 2-Long Handle Post Hole Shovels
- 10-Picks
  - 3-Grub Hoes
  - 4-16 Pound Sledge Hammers
  - 1-Power Driven Grind Stone
  - 2-Dung Forks
  - 7—Push Brooms
  - 2-Crow Bars
  - 1-Hoe
  - 8-Rakes
  - 2—Cross Cut Saws
  - 2—Splitting Wedges
  - 1—Saw Set
  - 1—Pruning Cutter
  - 5—Stone Forks
- 11—Grass Scythes
  - 1-Set B lock and Falls (No Rope)
  - 1—Earth Tamp
  - 2-Stone Drills
  - 3—Stone Wedges
  - 1-Wheelbarrow
  - 4-Brush Scythes
  - 1-Manhole Frame and Cover
  - 2-Oil Cans, Five gals.
  - 1—18" Monkey Wrench
  - 1—Paint Brush
  - 4—Cutting Edges for Truck Snow Plow
  - 2-Cutting Edges for Grader One Way Plow
  - 2-Cutting Edges for Grader V Plow
  - 6-Shoes for One Way Plows
  - 2-Shoes for V Plow

Wrenches

S Wrenches, Adjustables, Pliers, Chisels and Box

CHAPTER 81—FINAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1951
District No. 3—Town of Paxton

Sta	te Allotment \$7,700.00		Town All	otment	\$2,800.00	) Total	l Allotn	nent \$10,50	00 State Pays 73.34%
				Mi	lage By	Гуреs	- 8-3		Remarks-Work other than
No.	Road Name	Miles	B.M.A. B.M.	Г. В.G.	Gravel	Dirt	Allot.	Expend.	Gen. Maint.
1	Rockland St.	0.89	All Ten a 4 Co	0.89			245.00	317.29	Ch. 90 43
2	Mill Street	0.25			0.25		30.00	107.15	
3	West St.	2.93		2.93			510.00	641.93	Ch. 90
4	Spring Street	1.06		1.06			710.00	808.94	475' S & R, 6" grav. added, P½ T-4,S1/3MC—3
5	Brigham Road	1.38			0.66	0.72	400.00	417.17	Gavelling
6	Davis Street	1.77		0.27	0.81	0.69	760.00	745.31	Gravelling, rep. culv., repair storm damage
7	South Street	0.81		0.81			595.00	965.06	
8	Richards Avenue	2.15	0.48	1.67			325.00	624.60	Ch. 90
9	Pleasant Street		State High	vay					
10	Soumi Street	1.10		1.10			130.00	83.41	
11	Laurel Street	0.97		0.97			360.00	270.42	
12	Terrace Place	0.11		0.11					
13	Hill Street	0.71		0.71			430.00	340.97	Widen shoulders
14	Winter Street	0.40				0.40	50.00		
15	Marshall Street	2.48		1.52	0.96		235.00	568.46	Ch. 90
16	Asnebumskit Road	0.24		0.24			65.00	145.33	
17	Reservoir Street	1.22		1.22			155.00	175.33	Ch. 90
18	Walbridge Road	0.52				0.52	60.00	130.50	
19	Crystal Street	0.32		0.32			995.00	1,357.07	O.32 mi. new B. G. surf. P1/2

T-4, S1/3MC-3, 16' wide Widen slop. Gravel 600'x 14'x6"

21	Silver Spring Road	0.35			0.35			30.00		
22	Camp Street	0.73			0.08	0.38	0.27	195.00	175.13	
23	Grove Street	2.51			2.51			715.00	1,113.37	Ch. 90 1.07. 300 ft. S & R, 6" grav. added. P½ T—4 S1/3 MC—3
24	Pond Street	0.35				0.35		45.00		
25	Hillside Road		Disco	ntinued	l					기계 가게 하다 그 그는 그는 그리겠다.
26	Streeter Road	0.72			0.72			485.00	682.67	
27	Maple Street	0.50			0.50			215.00	232.21	Ch. 90 0.24
28	Holden Road	0.81			0.81			140.00	6.72	Ch. 90 0.81
29	Turkey Hill Road	0.13			0.13			30.00	18.25	
30	Highland Court	0.16	0.04		0.07	0.05		60.00	52.75	
31	Combined with 6									
32	Brooks Road	1.00			er 🍎	0.45	0.55	170.00	224.15	
33	Sunset Lane	0.46			0.46			180.00	188.09	
34	Common Street	0.11		0.08	0.03			10.00		
35	Colony Lane	0.06		0.06				45.00	9.23	
36	Whitney Drive	0.17				0.17			12.00	
37	Center Drive	0.07				0.07				
38	Indian Hill Rd.	0.12				0.12				
39	Spring Drive	0.13				0.13				
	Ch. 90 Roads							500.00		
	Scrape & Drag							200.00		
	Drainage							300.00		

0.06

0.62

0.56

80.00

86.31

20 O'Connor Road

Brush Signs Reserve						200.00 150.00 695.00		
TOTALS	28.31	0.04	0.52	19.60	4.40	3.71\$10,500.00\$19,499.82		
							SUMM	ARY
							Labor	\$4648.13
							Materials	2673.70
							Equipment	3177.99

\$10,499.82

N. J. DALTON, Dist. Highway Engineer

OF THE

## WATER COMMISSIONERS

#### For the Year 1951

Receipts from Installations	1,939.90
Receipts from Hydrants	1,200.00
Miscellaneous Receipts	37.02

Total Receipts

Receipts from Metered Water

\$8,906.20

\$5,729.28

The Water Department had outstanding at the end of 1951 - 30 bills amounting to \$445.07. It is expected these bills will be paid very soon.

There were 34 new connections completed during 1951, which now brings the total to 251.

There was one new water extension completed during 1951 on Grove Street, with 1810 ft. of 8 in. pipe used. There were two new hydrants included in this project. The cost of this extension was \$8,600.

The fence at the Pump Station was painted this year.

### New Developments

Franklin Street—200 ft. of 6 in. pipe was installed by developer.

Birchwood Rd. and Ridgewood Rd.—1,447-1/2 ft. of 6 in. pipe was installed by developer.

Eagle Circuit—208 ft. of 6 in. pipe was installed by developer.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN FLEMING,
Chairman
NORMAN OSGOOD
CHARLES PORTER
Board of Water Commissioners

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OF THE

# BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Appropriation		\$3,000.00
Expenditures:		
Case No. 48	\$360.00	
54	200.00	
51	784.89	
53	491.72	
134	360.41	
2	338.53	
	\$2,535.55	
Postage, Stationery, Printing	4.16	
		\$2,539.71
Balance, December 31, 1951		\$460.29
WELFARE EXPENSE—	SALARIES	
Appropriation	\$150.00	
Expenditures	105.00	
Balance, December 31, 1951		\$45.00
WELFARE EXPENSE—CIVIL SE	RVICE EM	PLOYEE
Appropriation	\$302.00	
Expenditures	168.72	
Balance, December 31, 1951		\$133.28

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE G. CARLSON,

Chairman
RUTH B. McKINLEY, Clerk
JOSEPH S. LANGEVIN,

Third Member

## AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

FEDERAL GRANT

Balance January 1, 1951 Federal reimbursement

\$2.65

Balance, December 31, 1951

\$2.65

No expenditures during the year No appropriation for the year 1951

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE G. CARLSON,

Chairman
RUTH B. McKINLEY, Clerk
JOSEPH S. LANGEVIN,

Third Member

### AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

#### ADMINISTRATION

Balance January 1, 1951 \$16.74 Federal reimbursement .00

Balance, December 31, 1951

\$16.74

No expenditures during the year

12.00 year ( 11.11)

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Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE G. CARLSON,

Chairman
RUTH B. McKINLEY, Clerk
JOSEPH S. LANGEVIN,

Third Member

## REPORT

OF THE

## BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

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Balance January 1, 1951	\$326.70	
Appropriation	4,000.00	
Federal reimbursement	3,103.67	
		\$7,430.37
Expenditures:		
Case No. 56	\$44.92	
39-B	5.65	
36	911.20	

46	780.00
12	623.10
43	600.00
26	679.20
34	63.30
55	269.38
33	288.00
38	557.00
49	415.59
	\$5,237.34
	\$2,193.03

Bal. Fed. Acct., Dec. 31, 1951\$180.64Bal. Town Acct., Dec. 31, 19512,012.39

\$2,193.03

Total Balance December 31, 1951

\$2,193.03

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE G. CARLSON,

Chairman
RUTH B. McKINLEY, Clerk
JOSEPH S. LANGEVIN,

Third Member

## OLD AGE ASSISTANCE ADM.

Appropriation	\$15.00
Expenditures	.00
Balance December 31, 1	951 \$75.00
balance December 31, 1	991 919.UU

# FEDERAL GRANT ADM.

Balance January 1, 1951 Federal reimbursement	\$64.55 $74.64$	
		\$139.19
Expenditures:		
Supplies and Postage	\$28.00	
Association Meetings	28.65	
Administration Expenses	7.13	
Salaries	45.00	
		\$108.78
Balance December 31, 1951	1 N	\$30.41

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE G. CARLSON,

Chairman
RUTH B. McKINLEY, Clerk
JOSEPH S. LANGEVIN,

Third Member

OF THE

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

For the Year ending December 31, 1951

Accidents	9
Fatalities	1
Arrests	3
Investigations	29
Motor Vehicle Transfers	54

School Children Protection provided throughout the entire year of 1951 as well as Church traffic duty.

The department again inspected property during owners absence to those requesting it.

On July 13, 1951, I was honored to receive in behalf of the Town of Paxton, a Special Award from the Governor's Highway Safety Conference. This is the first that the town has been entitled to receive over the period of 5 years they have been awarding such certificates for safety.

The report received by this department from the State Police shows 3 arrests made by them in town during 1951.

Accidents in 1951 were much lower than the previous year, despite the increase in traffic, additional policing of the highways was the factor for keeping them at the above low figure.

Respectfully submitted.

DONALD W. SISTARE, Chief of Police

OF THE

### CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

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Receipts	•
Trecerbis	

Lots Sold and placed in		
Perpetual Care	\$500.00	
Care of Lots not in		
Perpetual Care	77.00	
Opening Graves	210.00	
Turned over to Town Treasurer		\$787.00
Income on Trust Funds	\$471.55	
Town Appropriation	250.00	
Bal., Jan. 1, 1951	79.45	
Transferred from Interest Account	462.31	

\$1,263.31

#### Payments:

Maintenance of Cemeteries, including general care, Supt. and opening graves \$1,024.22 Other expenses, including seed, fertilizer, gas and repairs to power mower, water connections and clerical assistant 239.09

\$1,263.31

The interest account that has been in the hands of the Cemetery Commissioners for many years has now been used up. Therefore this year, for the first time, the cost of the maintenance of the Cemeteries minus the expected income on the trust accounts will have to be voted upon by the Town. That is the reason for the increased appropriation this year.

It is expected that another section in Mooreland Cemetery will be opened up this year and the Commissioners plan to plow that section and seed it down for the future needs.

Respectfully submitted,

ERDIC G. NICHOLS,
Chairman
H. RENO KENNEN
GEORGE MACCABEE

OF THE

# BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Number of Polls Assessed Tax on Each Poll	388 \$2.00
Rate of Taxation	\$34.00
Value of Assessed Personal Estate-	_
Stock in Trade	\$7,850.00
Machinery	77,698.00
Live Stock	44,790.00
All other tangible Personal	
Property	2,900.00
Total	\$133,238.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate—	
Land exclusive of Buildings	\$304,114.00
Buildings exclusive of Land	1,451,515.00
Total	\$1,755,629.00
Total Value of Assessed Estate	\$1,888,867.00
Taxes for State, County and Town Purposes, including Overlay:	
On Personal Estate	\$4,530.09
On Real Estate	59,691.39
On Polls	776.00
Total	PC4 007 49
Total	\$64,997.48

Number of Live Stock Assessed:	
Horses	25
Cows	332
Bulls, Yearlings, Steers and Heifers	60
Sheep	14
Swine	17
Fowl	6,250
All Others	107
Acres of land Assessed	8,962a27,526 ft.
Number of Dwellings Assessed	336
RECAPITULATION	
Total Appropriations	\$83,903.59
Appro. to be taken from Available Funds	35,957.91
Debt and Interest Charges	6,548.60
Retirement Fund	1,123.36
State Parks and Reservations	179.79
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	517.43
County Tax	3,760.98
Tuberculosis Hospital	1,302.67
Overlay of Current Year	2,000.00
Gross amount to be raised	\$135,204.33
Estimated Receipts	70,206.85
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation or	n
Polls and Property	\$64,997.48

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT A. BELEY, Chairman FRED E. WATSON GEORGE C. HUNT Board of Assessors

OF THE

# RICHARDS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

FUNDS FOR USE IN 1951

Appropriation	\$1,356.00	
Dog Fund	333.75	
Unexpended Balance	385.64	
Total		\$2,075.39
Income from Trust Funds		836.61
Grand Total	_	\$2,912.00
Expenditures:		
Salary Librarian, Mrs. Anna J. Hatch	<b>\$560.00</b>	
	\$560.00	
Salary Sub. Librarian, Mrs. L. Morrison	101.05	
	101.25	
Salary Sub. Librarian, Mrs. A. Lawler	0.05	
Salary Janitor,	2.25	
Mr. Howard Creswell	500.00	
Books & Magazines	541.76	
Electric Light Co.	38.44	
Fuel	269.00	
Paxton Water Dept.	20.00	
Clerks Salary	50.00	
Repairs	194.62	

Miscellane	ous		153.25
Librarian	Summer	Institute	24.00
		- 1,74 to 5700 - *	

 Grand Total
 \$2,454.57

 Balance
 \$457.34

\$35.00 in Fine Money turned over to Town Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

VERNA E. HOWLAND, Clerk

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

I herewith submit by third annual report as Librarian of Richards Memorial Library for the year 1951.

6,309
2,636
370
546
1,765
646
346
329
188
120
10

Our circulation has increased 801 over last year, mainly in the Juvenile division, indicative of our young peoples real interest in not only fiction, but educational books as well, a real pleasure for your librarian.

Respectfully submitted.

ANNA J. HATCH, Librarian

OF THE

## TOWN TREASURER

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Balance, Jan. 1, 1951 \$65,181.27 Receipts—1951 190,079.45

\$255,260.72

Payments per Warrants, 1951 \$189,152.46 Balance, Dec. 31, 1951 66,108.26

\$255,260.72

#### OUTSTANDING DEBT

Water Bonds	\$34,000.00
Fire Truck	3,750.00
Water Extension-Grove Street	4,000.00

\$41,750.00

#### DUE ON OUTSTANDING DEBT-1952

		Int.
Water Bond—Due Feb. 1, 1951	\$3,000.00	\$680.00
Water Bond—Due Aug. 1, 1952		620.00
Fire Truck Note—Due Dec. 15, 1952	1,250.00	60.00
Water Ext. Note—Due July 12, 1952	4,000.00	50.00
	\$8,250.00	\$1,410.00

### TRUST FUNDS

	Dec. 31, 1951	Income 1951	Dog Fund 1951
Library Trust F unds Cemetery Trust Funds D. Russell Boynton Fund E. D. Bigelow Schl. Fund E. D. Bigelow V.I.S. Fun		\$836.61 471.55 28.23 22.50 209.46	\$385.64
War Bonds—Post Rehabi Income 1951 Income to date	\$54,597.82 litation	\$1,595.82 \$5,000.00 125.00 247.04	

Respectfully submitted,

MARION E. MACCABEE,

Treasurer

# C. D. BOYNTON FUND

	Prin.	Int. 1951	Accrued Int.
People's Savings Bank	\$2,700.00	\$69.33	\$125.79
Worc. Five Cent Sav. Bank	1,748.00	45.23	95.71
Worc. Cty. Inst. for Savings	1,600.00	41.19	78.84
Worc. Mech. Sav. Bank	1,600.00	41.01	74.52
	\$7,648.00	\$96.79	\$374.86

Respectfully submitted,

MARION E. MACCABEE,

Trustee

OF THE

### DOG OFFICER

Dog Bites (2)
Dogs Claimed by Owners (2)
Dogs Destroyed (5) \$25.00
Injury to cow by dog, Damage paid by
county
Dogs Sold (1) \$3.00

All Dog's on assessors list have been licensed for the year 1951.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL H. JOHNSON

Dog Officer

OF THE

## PAXTON ELECTRIC LIGHT DEPARTMENT

For the Year Ending December 31, 1951

#### ASSETS

	Balance Dec. 31, 1950	Additions During 1951	Dept. etc. Ch. off '51	Balance Dec. 31, 1951	
Land	\$311.67			\$311.67	
Structures	49.97		\$8.80	41.17	
Transformer Station & Equipment	10,006.44		414.34	9,592.10	
Poles, Fixtures & Overhead					
Conductors	25,316.73	\$4,609.17	1,621.95	28,303.95	
Consumer Meters	4,560.07	870.25	244.12	5,132.20	
Line Transformers	9,747.03	556.04	497.26	9,805.81	
Street Lighting Equipment	4,824.02	1,248.75	260.23	5,812.54	
Office Equipment	176.75		10.04	166.35	
Trucks	3,275.39	85.31	117.47	3,243.23	
Labatory Equipment	170.56		8.36	162.20	
Miscellaneous	912.86		34.30	878.56	
Total	\$59,279.49	\$7,369.52	\$3,217.23	\$63,449.78	

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	Total property owned by department (depreciated value)		\$63,449.78	
The	Department has:—			
	Construction Fund	\$2,283.07		
	Deposits made by Consumers	207.73	* *	
	Accounts Receivable	825.29		
	Material and Supplies on Hand	5,749.93		
	Depreciation Fund on Deposit in Savings Bank	16,743.08		
			\$25,809.10	
	Total Assets		\$89,258.88	58
	LIABILITIES			
Of t	the Original Amount Appropriated by the Town for Con-			
	struction of the Plant the Department still owes	\$2,000.00		
The	Department owes Consumers for their deposits	206.12		
	Total owed by the Department	\$2,206.12		

## Surplus of the Department

Notes Paid out of Earnings of the Department	\$19,116.00	
Appropriation for Construction Repaid the Town	5,090.07	
Earnings for this and prior years invested in Plant and other Assets	62,846.69	
Total Liabilities and Surplus		\$89,253.88

## STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1951

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Income	•
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Metered Sales to Private	
Consumers	\$37,450.17
Street Lighting	1,063.65
Lighting Municipal Bldg. and	
Pumping	1,105.14
Miscellaneous Oper. Revenue	699.65
Interest Received	
Depreciation Fund	381.68
Sales to Other Utilities	70.00
Dividend on Metered Deposits	4.63

Total Income

\$40,774.92

## Expenses:—

Electric Energy Purchased	\$22,887.20
Maintenance Transmission &	
Distribution Lines	5,326.91
Maintenance Street Lights	178.68
Repairs of Meters	38.34
Office Supplies & Expense	154.70
General Expense	19.39
Truck Expense	708.25
Salary Manager and Light Board	1 3,992.60 (a)
Expense of Light Board and	
Manager	90.30
Salary Bookkeeper	306.00
Insurance & Bonds	520.47
Rent	276.00
State Auditors & Cash	
Adjustments	.10

Depreciation of Plant (Amount Transferred to Depreciation Fund)

3,217.23

Total Expenses

\$37,716.17

Net Profit for the year

\$3,058.75

(a) Balance of Managers' salary allocated to new construction.

This year has been a very busy year for the department and has been a very uncertain one from the standpoint of getting the necessary materials for the department work.

Maple Street has been rebuilt the full length from single phase to 3 phase in order to improve the service.

The department has started rebuilding the system on Grove Street from Holden Road and Sunset Lane to the new college from single phase to 3 phase because of the added load expected.

It has been necessary to replace present wire in some locations with larger sizes to take care of the ever increasing load of new homes.

There have been added 17 new street lights, 37 new meters and 21 kilowatts of new transformer capacity.

Respectfully submitted,

DEAN O. HOWLAND ROBERT C. HARRINGTON GEO. T. DEWEY, JR.

ROY M. WENTWORTH, Manager

OF THE

# REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

The Wachusett Regional School District Committee for the Year 1951 was established for the first time by actual votes in the member towns and by appointment by the various Town School Committees. Membership of the Committee was as follows:

#### Holden:

Rudolph Lindgren W. Goulding Warren George W. Lyman

School Committee appointee Elected for 2 years Elected for 3 years

#### Paxton:

Charles C. Craig Jesse E. Mills

School Committee appointee Elected for 1 year

#### Princeton:

John Hubbard Leslie E. Poole School Committee appointee Elected for 3 years

#### Rutland:

James L. Wood David A. Darrah School Committee appointee Elected for 2 years

#### Sterling:

Robert W. Mason

Mrs. Clara R. Brown · School Committee appointee Elected for 1 year

At the Annual Meeting, held March 7, 1951, the following Officers for the Committee were elected:

Chairman, Leslie E. Poole	Princeton
Vice-Chairman, Robert Mason	Sterling
Secretary, George W. Lyman	Holden
Treasurer, W. Goulding Warren	Holden

During 1951 the Committee held 22 regular and 3 special meetings.

Several meetings were spent on studies of preliminary plans of the architect, fitting them into the educational specifications, as set up by the consultant. A master plan was agreed upon and work on final plans and specifications was started.

Upon sale of the \$100,000 Bond Issue the Committee was able to complete the purchase of the Warren Property of 122 acres for the school site.

Engineering studies were made of the site and the proposed High School Building was located on the plot.

The Committee was able to reach an agreement with the MDC and the Town of Holden Sewer Commissioners, so that sewage from the school could be disposed of in the MDC trunk sewer line.

CMP Forms were filed with the proper government agency, listing steel and other controlled material requirements for construction of the school needed in the 2nd quarter of 1952.

In order to enable construction to be started early in 1952, the rough grading was set up as a separate contract and was put out for bids. The contract was awarded to the low bidder, Gargolinski Bros., of Sterling, in the amount of \$33,598.00. This work is nearly completed.

Discussions were held with the plumbing, heating and ventilating, electrical, public address and time clock engineers.

The architect spent many hours in conferences with various state educational specialists on such things as science, homemaking, industrial arts, agriculture, cafeterias, music and band programs, physical education, library, etc., all this being necessary in the drawing up of final plans and specifications.

It is expected that final plans and specifications will be completed, be accepted by the School Building Assistance Commission, and be put out for bids before the 1st of February. The Committee recognizes the fact and trusts that the townspeople also realize that all material and construction costs have increased approx. 15-20% since the first rough estimates were made in May of 1950, and are, therefore, prepared for proportionately higher construction figures in the resultant bidding.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. LYMAN,

Secretary

OF THE

# TOWN ACCOUNTANT

### RECEIPTS

General Revenue:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1951		
Polls	\$720.00	
Personal	4,260.30	
Real Estate	56,307.50	
		\$61,287.80
Levy of 1950		
Personal	\$145.35	
Real Estate	3,020.61	
		\$3,165.96
From State:		
Income Tax	\$4,276.84	
Corporation Tax	3,825.33	
		\$8,102.17
Licenses and Permits:		
Liquors, Stands	\$888.50	
		\$888.50
Grants and Gifts—State		
Schools	\$3,760.80	
Vocational Schools	755.54	

Educational 369.96 High School Transportation 6,227.23 Old Age Meal Tax 54.87	
	\$11,168.40
Grants—Federal	
Old Age Assistance \$3,103.67	
Old Age Assistance—Adm. 74.64	
	\$3,178.31
From County	
Dog Refund \$385.64	Ŀ
	\$385.64
Total—General Revenue	\$88,176.78
Special Assessments:	
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes	
Levy of 1949 \$11.01	L
Levy of 1950 664.06	
Levy of 1951 10,500.76	5
Total—Special Assessments	\$11,175.83
Commercial Revenue:	
General Government:	
Tax Collector—Demands \$15.05	5
Town Clerk—Dog Licenses 470.80	
Town Hall—Rents 381.90	
Town Hall—Chairs sold 4.00	
Illig Place—Rents 360.00	)
	\$1,231.75

Health and Sanitation:		
Inspector of Animals	\$25.00	
Sealer—Fees	42.45	
		\$67.45
II: abwaya		
Highways:	04.050.45	
State—Chapter 81	\$4,852.45	
Chapter 90 Maint.	2,399.97	
Chapter 90 Const.	3,443.54	
Chapter 90 Const. 1950	555.64	
County—Chapter 90 Maint.	2,399.97	
Chapter 90 Const. 1950		
Chapter 90 Const.	1,721.77	
Town—Tractor Rentals	1,373.80	
		\$17,024.96
Charities:		
Individuals	\$412.00	
State—Old Age	3,707.21	
Towns—Old Age	18.87	
State—Veterans' Benefits	167.50	
		\$4,305.49
		φ4,505.45
Schools:		
Use of	\$465.00	
Outside tuition	150.20	
Milk for Lunches	641.31	
	-	
		\$1,256.51
Library:		
Fines	\$53.63	
		\$53.63
		75700

		Insurance:
	\$398.03	Dividends
\$398.08		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
\$24,337.82	· ·	Total—Commercial Revenue
	e	Commercial Revenue—Public Service Electric Light Dept.:
	\$40,458.35	Light and power
	55.00	Meter Guarantee
	4.63	Interest—Meter Deposits
	381.68	Interest—Depreciation Fund
\$40,899.66		
		Water Department:
	\$6,991.36	Meter Rates and Installations
	1,200.00	Hydrant Rentals
	47.34	Grove Street—Refund on pipe
\$8,238.70		•
\$49,138.36	r.	Total—Com. Revenue—Pub. Ser
		Commercial Revenue—Cemeteries
	\$500.00	Perpetual Care Bequests
	77.00	Care of lots
	210.00	Opening Graves
\$787.00	ies	Total—Com. Revenue—Cemeteri

Commercial Rev.—Int. and Mat.	Debts.	
On Taxes	\$90.93	
On School Funds	22.50	
On Savings Account	422.22	
On Library Funds	836.61	
On Cem. Per. Care Funds	933.86	
		\$2,306.12
Maturing Debts:		
Notes		
Fire Truck	\$5,000.00	
Grove Street Extension	4,000.00	
		\$9,000.00
Total—Interest and Maturing	Debts	\$11,306.12
Agency:		
Withheld Taxes	\$3,670.67	
Retirement Funds	1,450.63	
		\$5,121.30
Refunds:		
Telephones	\$16.74	
County—Dog Destroyed	19.50	
		\$36.24

## PAYMENTS

General Government:		
Moderator		
Salary	\$35.00	
		\$35.00
Selectmen		φοσ.σσ
Salaries	\$600.00	
Expenses	294.54	
		\$894.54
Town Accountant		φουτ.υτ
Salary	\$400.00	
Expenses	15.00	
	1	\$415.00
Treasurer		
Salary	\$350.00	
Expenses	100.00	
	-	\$450.00
Collecter of Taxes		φ490.00
Salary	\$600.00	
Expenses	125.00	
		\$725.00
Assessors		φ.20.00
Salaries	\$300.00	
Expenses	389.79	
		\$689.79
		φυσυ.19

Legal		
Town Counsel	\$569.06	
		\$569.06
Town Clerk		φουσ.00
Salary	\$200.00	
Expenses	78.10	
Expenses	25171111111	e Va
		\$278.10
Elections		
Tellers	\$54.00	
Ballots	76.00	
		\$130.00
<b>5</b>		\$150.00
Registration		
Registrars—Salaries	\$25.00	300
		\$25.00
Planning Board		The forget in the
Expenses	\$386.86	
Expenses	<del></del>	
		\$386.86
Board of Appeals		
Expenses	\$10.97	
		\$10.97
Town Hall		φ10.51
	#1 074 00	
Janitor	\$1,074.00	
Fuel	553.80 116.68	
Lights Repairs	544.73	
Water	20.00	
Telephone	100.18	
= 3.0P.10.10	200.20	

Offices Chairs 60.86 Others 26.80	
	\$2,829.09
Pension Fund	φ <b>2,</b> 020.00
Town Employees \$1,123.36	
	\$1,123.36
Total—General Government	\$8,561.77
Protection of Persons and Property	
Police Services \$897.41 Expenses 30.30	
	\$927.71
Dog Officer	
Services \$25.00	
	\$25.00
School Traffic	
Services \$719.86	
	\$719.86
Building Inspector	
Services \$150.00	
	\$150.00
Fire Engineers	
Services \$400.00	
	\$400.00

Fire Department	199	
Rents	\$412.50	
Alarms	67.71	
Equipment Maintenance	366.45	
New Hose	382.50	
Telephone Alarm	147.00	
Compensation	175.00	
Others	1.92	
		\$1,553.08
Fire Truck		
Purchase of	\$7,958.15	
		\$7,958.15
Sealer of Weights		
Services ·	\$25.00	
Die	1.15	4
		\$26.15
Tree Warden		
Labor	\$157.80	
Cutting Trees	215.00	
Spraying	100.00	
		\$472.80
Moth		
Labor	\$184.00	
	-	\$184.00

Civil Defense		
File	\$69.59	
Radio Equipment	48.45	
		\$118.04
Total—Protection of Persons & and Property	_	\$12,534.79
Health and Sanitation		
Salaries	\$30.00	
Care of Dump	827.83	
Collection of Garbage	1,137.64	
Tubercular Hospital	1,436.58	
Inspection of Animals	50.00	
Inspection of Meat	11.00	
Total—Health		\$3,493.05
Highways		
Chapter 81	\$10,499.82	
Chapter 90, Maint.	4,499.67	
Chapter 90, Const.	7,462.45	
Equipment Maintenance	1,480.83	
Chapter 90, Const. 1950	1,330.87	
Snow Removal	3,749.91	
Street Lights	1,063.65	
Total—Highways		\$30,087.20
Charities .		
Public Welfare:		
Salaries	\$105.00	
Civil Service Employee	168.72	
Expenses	2,539.71	
		\$2,813.43

Old Age Assistance:		
Federal Aid	\$3,249.73	
Town	1,987.61	
Federal Administration	108.78	
-		
		\$5,346.12
Veterans' Benefits:		
Salary—Agent	\$50.00	
Expenses	9.60	
Aid	547.08	
-		
		\$606.68
Total—Charities	# 1 1 E	\$8,766.23
Schools and Library:		
Grade, High and Trade:		
	\$225.00	
School Committee	578.80	
Superintendent	236.76	
Clerical	25.00	
Census	13,060.10	
Teachers	2,309.28	
Janitor Tuition	7,573.85	
Transportation	7,390.00	
Books and Supplies	1,086.99	
Fuel and Lights	1,100.79	
Telephone and Office expense	92.21	
Printing and Postage	25.34	
Water	62.66	
Janitors' Supplies	181.49	
Graduation	10.80	
New Equipment	747.91	
Health	278.20	
Health		
		\$35,392.47

Regional High School: Assessment	\$1,863.59	
7		\$1,863.59
School Lunches:		
: Milk	\$612.40	
	× 1	\$612.40
Library:		
Librarian	\$560.00	
Assistant	103.50	
Janitor	500.00	
Janitor Supplies	65.24	
Books	484.26	
Magazines	54.00	
Binding Books and Magazines	60.04	
Fuel and Lights	307.44	
Repairs	160.83	
New Equipment	23.94	
Water	20.00	
Clerical	50.00	
Others	65.32	
		\$2,454.57
Total—Schools and Library		\$40,323.03
Recreation and Unclassified		
Common		
Salary	\$200.00	
Expenses	23.38	
Town Clock	60.00	
Memorial Day	94.20	
Fourth of July	49.91	
Halloween	36.73	

Illig Place—Taxes	106.65	
Swimming Pool	2,599.63	
Printing Reports	1,020.00	
Insurance and Bonds	2,956.10	
Total—Recreational & Unclass	ssified	\$7,146.60
Enterprises and Cemeteries		
Electric Light Dept.:		
Commissioners	\$75.00	
Clerical	306.00	
Insurance	520.47	
Travel and Office Expense	194.65	
Meter Refunds	36.90	
Employees	9,695.45	
Current	22,887.20	
Trucks	542.26	
Gas and Oil	182.39	
Meters and Transformers	2,380.36	
Materials and Supplies	5,705.22	
Rents	276.00	
Express	15.39	
Tools	12.93	
Testing Meters	12.00	
Others	58.87	
	2	\$42,901.09
Water Department:	*	
Salaries	\$175.00	
Maintenance	6,900.65	
Hydrant Rentals	1,200.00	
Extensions—Grove St.	8,600.00	
Highland and Cem.	119.84	
		\$16 QQE 4Q
		\$16,995.49

Cemeteries:		
Center and Mooreland Sale of Lot	\$1,263.31 10.00	
-		
		\$1,273.31
Total—Enterprises and Cemeteries		\$61,169.89
Interest:		
On Water Bonds	\$1,420.00	
On Water Extensions	8.87	
On Fire Truck	71.15	
Certification of Notes	2.00	
		\$1,502.02
Maturing Debts:		
Water Bond	\$3,000.00	
Grove Street Extension	700.00	
Fire Truck	1,250.00	
		\$4,950.00
Total—Interest - Maturing Debts	3	\$6,452.02
Agency:		
State Parks	\$136.74	
Auditing	517.43	
County Tax	3,563.78	
County—Dog Licenses	470.80	n.
Withholding Taxes	3,307.79	
Retirement Taxes	1,324.84	
Total—Agency		\$9,321.38

Trust Funds		
Cemeteries—Perpetual Care	y .	
Bequests	\$500.00	
	•	
		\$500.00
Refunds		
Real Estate	\$510.00	- 2
Motor Vehicle Excise	285.50	
Overpaid License	1.00	·
Total Refunds		\$796.50
TOTAL PAYMENTS		\$100 150 AC
TOTAL TATMENTS		\$189,152.46
SUMMARY		
${f Receipts}$		
General Revenue	\$88,176.78	
Special Revenue	11,175.83	
Commercial Revenue—		
Departmental	24,337.82	
Public Service	49,138.36	
Cemeteries	787.00	
Interest and		
Maturing Debt	11,306.12	
Agency	5,121.30	
Refunds	36.24	
	00.21	
		\$190,079.45
Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1591		65,181.27
	9	\$255,260.72

# PAYMENTS

Proctection-Persons and Property Health and Sanitation 12,534.79 3,493.08
Health and Sanitation 3 493 05
5,435.06
Highways 30,087.20
Charties 8,766.28
Schools and Library 40,323.03
Recreation and Unclassified 7,146.60
Enterprises and Cemeteries 61,169.89
Interes and Maturing Debts 6,452.02
Agencies 9,321.38
Trust 500.00
Refunds 796.50

Cash on hand, Dec. 31, 1951

\$189,152.46 66,108.26

\$255,260.72

# TOWN OF PAXTON BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1951

ASSETS

## LIABILITIES

Cash:			Overestimated 1951		
In Banks and Office		\$66,108.26	State Parks and Reservations	\$11.83	
Accounts Receivable:			County Tax	197.20	
Taxes:					\$209.03
Levy of 1950 Real Estate Levy of 1951 Polls Personal Real Estate	\$44.11 8.00 201.79 2,436.14		Illig Place—Rents Highways—Mach. Rentals Highway—Chap. 90, Const. Highways—Easements—Priv. Excess on Low Value Taxes	Sts.	716.83 1,878.35 537.55 13.00 50.00
		\$2,690.04	Federal Taxes Withheld County Retirement Fund	4	362.88 $135.56$
Motor Vehicle and Trail Levy of 1951	ler Excise \$200.57		Federal Grants:  Aid to Dependent Children Aid to Dependent Children	\$2.65	
		\$200.57	Administration	16.74	
Tax Titles: Titles	\$67.45		Oold Age Assistance Old Age Asistance	180.64	
Possesions	3,627.64		Administration	30.41	
		\$3,695.09			\$230.44

Overestimate			Unexpended Balances:			
Tubercular Hospital	\$133.91		Record Building Repairs	\$47.31		
-			School Milk-Federal	75.75		
		\$133.91	Library	457.43		
Electric Light:	\$825.34		Swimming Pool Project	2,400.37		
Water Dept: Accts. Receivable	1,356.09		Water Dept. Survey	162.11	I V	
Water Dept: Expense Acct.	12.66					
_					\$3,142.97	
		\$2,194.09	Electric Light:			
			Depreciation Fund	\$16,743.08		
			Construction Fund	2,283.07		
			Meter Deposit Fund	207.73		
					*** *** ***	82
			р		\$19,233.88	10
			Reserve Funds:	1		
			Overlay Surplus	\$6,842.15		
			Levy of 1950	2,131.29		
			Levy of 1951	424.25		
					<b>#0 207 CO</b>	
			^ .		\$9,397.69	
			Revenue—Reserved Until Colle	cted		
			Motor Vehicle Excise	\$200.57		
			Tax Titles and Possessions			
			Electric Light	825.34		
1			Water	1,356.09		

Dr. Howe Fund:				\$5,077.09
Swimming Pool \$3,800.00	\$3,800.00	Surplus Revenue		\$41,985.27 36,836.69
	\$78,821.96 DEBT A	CCOUNTS		\$78,821.96
Net Funded or Fixed Debts	\$41,750.00		\$34,000.00 4,000.00 3,750.00	
	\$41,750.00			\$41,750.00
TRUST	AND INVE	STMENT ACCOUNTS		
Trust and Investment Funds:  Cash and Securities:  In custody of Town Treasurer In custody of Trustee	\$57,181.30 7,826.04	D. R. Boynton Charity Fund Edward D. Bigelow, Schl. Fund George E. Bigelow, Lib. Fund Richards Memorial, Lib. Fund Edward D. Bigelow, Lib. Fund Edward D. Bigelow, Vil Imp. Dr. Andrew Jackson Howe Fund Cem. Perpeutal Care Funds Post War Rehabilitation Funds	\$1,111.90 1,000.00 500.00 1,668.87 22,372.08 1,192.69 4,527.26 19,725.98 5,182.52	
	\$65,007.34	Respectfully submitted, ETTA E. ROBINSON,	Town A	\$65,007.34 ccountant

OF THE

# TREASURER BUILDING FUND

1951

During the year 1951 it became necessary to provide funds for the purchase and rough grading of a school site and for preliminary architect and consultant fees. For these purposes an issue of \$100,000 of coupon bonds, payable over a period of twenty years, was planned and the Selectmen of each town in the District were so notified. It developed that authentication of these bonds by The Merchants National Bank of Boston required the enactment of two new bills by the State Legislature to make the bonds valid and non-taxable. This proceedure required several months of time and effort and delayed the issuance of the bonds from a period of low interest rates to one of somewhat higher rates.

Finally an issue of \$100,000 of bonds dated June 1, 1951 and payable \$5,000 annually through 1971 was sold to the highest of three bidders, W. E. Hutton & Co. and Harriman, Ripley Co., Inc. at 100.159 for 2.20% coupons.

Architect and Consultants' Fees \$40,100.00 This sale provided \$100,000 plus a premium of \$159 at a net rate of approximately 2.18%.

A statement of the Building Fund follows:

#### Receipts

Sale of bonds	\$100,000.00
Premium on bonds	159.00
Interest to date of delivery	67.22

Total Receipts

\$100,226.22

#### Disbursements

Architect and Consultants' Fees	\$40,100.00
Building Site and Surveys	15,418.00
Legal Fees	336.30
Site Development	21,532.44
Interest to Operating Account	67.22

Total	al Disbursements			\$77,453.96	
Cash	on	hand	December	31st	\$22,772.26

# Operating Account

The assessment of 1950 for the operating account anticipated that a large bond issue would be sold during 1951 and that interest on this issue for six months would be required, but developments proved otherwise only a preliminary issue was sold. This fact accounts for the large cash balance in this account as of December 31st.

The temporary note for \$3,000, which was issued to provide cash in anticipation of income from the towns of the District and which was outsanding as of January 1st, 1951, has been paid in full. The figures follow:

# Receipts

Cash on hand	January 1	\$2,796.06
From towns:	Holden	10,062.89

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Paxton	1,005.59	.000
Princeton	2,226.71	
Rutland	3,218.24	
Sterling	4,253.57	
Interest from Building Fund	67.22	
Total Receipts		\$24,488.28
Disbursements		
General Control expenses	\$498.90	
Debt and Interest Charges	4,437.75	
Total Disbursements	2	\$4,936.65
Cash on hand December 31st	-	\$19,551.63

Anticipating the necessity for a somewhat higher total bond issue than orginally planned, because of ever increasing costs over the past year, and also anticipating a higher interest rate, your committee has had these considerations in mind when making the following assessments for the year 1952.

6. Debt and Interest Charges \$12,170.00

o. Debt	and interes	or Charges	φ12,110.00
Town		Percentage	Assessment
Holden		45	\$5,476.50
Paxton		9	1,095.30
Princeton		11	1,338.70
Rutland		15	1,825.50
Sterling		20	2,434.00

There will be no assessment under the title "General Control" for the year.

W. Goulding Warren,

Treasurer

OF THE

# PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board submits its 29th Annual Report

During 1951 dwelling house construction in Paxton has continued, and has grouped us in the top 10 (in the rate of new home building) in the Commonwealth of towns under 10,000 inhabitants.

This emphasizes the extent of the suburban movement and the desire of people to live outside the conjected centers where they work.

The building activity in 1951 was accompanied by the submission of three plots for approval under the Subdivision Act of the General Law. The usual standards respecting layout, width and location of proposed streets have been maintained; the installing of water mains (approximately 2400 feet) and drainage, all installed and at no cost to the Town.

Before the board gives its final approval, the road superintendant and the State Engineers check to see of the road requirements have been completed. These three developments will mean forty new homes.

We are proud to look back over the record since 1946 when the Town ammended the Zoning By Laws and set up a Building Code, and by so doing gave the Town an orderly control of its future development. This has paid dividends for the future by giving us better quality housing and inviting new citizens to our Town who will take an interest in the Community they live in.

The pressure of the large city on a small town becomes

more noticeable as the town grows and the need of a Regional Planning Commission of Central Massachusetts will be a 'must' in the not to distant future.

Any regional plan so developed would study the physical, social, economic and governmental conditions and would be designed to promote the coordinated development of the region with greatest efficiency for the general welfare and prosperity of its people. It would assist the planning boards within the jurisdiction of the commission.

The Board has continued its discussion of the need for a Municipal Building for Town Equipment and voted to sponsor an article in the Town Warrant to ask for a sum of money to hire an architect to coordinate the estimates of different departments as to what they need for space and to produce an efficient plan and attractive building for the location. For twenty years the Town has been talking about the need for this building and each year the cost goes up. The Finance Board has approved the article and we hope that you will give it serious consideration.

The joint Planning Board and Sons of Paxton Committee, to study the proposed location for a swimming pool, reported to the Town on October 3rd. at the Special Town Meeting called for that purpose. The recommendations were that the area on the Illig Property, behind the school be developed.

We are continuing our Street Mapping of the Town and asking for the same appropriation as last year to carry on this work.

HERBERT F. WENTWORTH,
Chairman
HAROLD HANSEN, Clerk
BERNARD REARDON
FRANKLIN FLEMING
GEORGE KARLE

# ANNUAL REPORT SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

OF THE TOWN OF

# **PAXTON**

**MASSACHUSETTS** 



FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1951

The Hoyle Press, 91 Exchange St., Worcester

# School Directory

#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

M. Lawrence Price, Chairman	Term	Expires	1954
Harry Clark, Secretary	Term	Expires	1953
Charles C. Craig	Term	Expires	1952

# SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

William	Η.	Buker	Office Hol	den 2370
			Residence Hol	den 4831

#### **SUPERVISORS**

MUSIC, Miss Ruth S. Innes	Appointed	Sept.	1949				
Holden 2235							
ART, Gregory F. Bowes	Appointed	Sept.	1951				
Princeton 46							
PENMANSHIP Ringhart Handwrit	ing System						

PENMANSHIP, Rinehart Handwriting System Waltham 5-6078

#### **TEACHERS**

GR. VII-VIII	Mrs.	Freda	T. F	Kelsey,	Prin.	. T.	
					Appointed	Nov.	1948
		Word	2. 3-2	2546			

GR. V-VI Robert F. Calkin Appointed Jan. 1951 Worc. 3-8317

GR. IV Mrs. Dorothy K. Wilbur Appointed Sept. 1946 Worc. 2-8530

GR. II-III Mrs. Mary L. Williamson
Appointed Sept. 1951
Worc. 2-8595

GR. I-II Mrs. Hazel M. Gay Appointed Sept. 1951 Worc. 4-6521

CUSTODIAN Howard K. Cresswell Rutland 128-12

#### SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Leroy E. Mayo, M. D. Holden 4441

#### SCHOOL NURSE

Mrs. Brenda T. Sullivan, R. N. Holden 4634

#### ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Donald W. Sistare, Chief of Police Worc. 3-6155

# REPORT

OF THE

# SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The School Committee submits the following pages of reports of the various activities of the School Department, and hopes that each taxpayer will give them careful study. The committee also stands ready and willing to provide additional information relative to any of its activities.

The expenses of the School Department of necessity constitute a larger total than any other department in Town and the Committee has devoted a great deal of effort to the planning of its' budget and the spending of its' appropriations. A detailed break-down of the 1951 expenditures and returns is given in the financial report.

Costs have risen on individual items and the total enrollment continues to rise. In 1944 the average attendance at Center School was 82 whereas the anticipated enrollment this Fall is about 140. This total will necessitate adding another teacher, bringing our total to six.

Our budget for 1952 calls for the expenditure of \$38,286.00, which we have held to an increase of only about  $7\,1/2\%$  over that of 1951. The 1952 budget calls for a small increment of pay rise for our teachers and other personnel in keeping with increased cost of living and also in keeping with the long-range policy of the committee to bring salaries into line with those paid by other communities.

As our school population continues to grow, it will become necessary to make use of the at present unfinished room at the right-rear of the second floor of Center School. This work should probably be done within another year so that an Article will probably be placed in the Warrant next year for this project.

About fourteen of our pupils now attend Holden High School and perhaps eight more will enter this Fall. The Committee wishes to extend its' thanks to the Town of Holden for making this situation possible because it is quite apparent that the scholastic attainment of these pupils is superior to records previously established elsewhere.

It is hoped that another year will make it possible to put the ball field into better shape but the necessary funds were not asked for this year in order to keep the budget as low as possible.

The committee wishes to express its' appreciation to the people of the Town, our Superintendent, our teachers, and our building custodian for the very fine spirit of cooperation shown in these changing and difficult times.

Respectfully submitted,
M. LAWRENCE PRICE
HARRY CLARK
CHARLES C. CRAIG

# FINANCIAL REPORT

OF THE

# SCHOOL COMMITTEE

for the year 1951

#### FUNDS FOR USE IN 1951

Appropriation for Grade, High, and Trade Schools Bigelow Fund Interest

\$35,580.00 22.50

\$35,602.50

#### EXPENDITURES

#### GENERAL CONTROL

Committee Salary	\$225.00
Committee Expense	51.25
Superintendent Salary & Travel	578.80
Superintendent Office Expense	279.82

\$1,134.87

EXPENSE OF INSTRUCTION		
Teachers Salaries Supervisors; Art, Music,	\$12,254.62	
Penmanship	805.77	
Books	227.98	
School Supplies	795.28	
		\$14,083.65
OPERATION OF PLANT		
Janitor Salary	\$2,309.28	
Janitor Supplies	160.14	
Fuel	875.61	
Lights	225.18	
Water	62.66	
Phone and Misc.	85.28	
	-	\$3,718.15
MAINTENANCE OF PLANT		
Repairs and Replacements	\$408.20	
		\$408.20
AUXILIARY AGENCIES		
Health	\$284.64	
Transportation	7,390.00	
Tuition, High and Trade	7,573.85	
Misc., Graduation, etc.	65.35	
		\$15,313.84
OUTLAY		
New Equipment	\$784.17	
		\$784.17
Total Expense		\$35,442.88

GRANTS FROM THE STATE	
State Aid, Chapt. 70 \$4,6	301.36
1-2 1 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11	227.23
	869.96
Vocational Aid	755.54
	\$11,954.09
ADDITIONAL RETURNS	
City of Worcester, overpayment \$	327.00
Tuition	132.20
Town of Oakham	165.00
	\$624.20
Total Returns	\$12,578.29
ACTUAL COST TO TOWN	22,864.59
Total Expenditures	\$35,442.88
Balance Unexpended	159.62
Total Funds Available	\$35,602.50

OF THE

# SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Paxton:

This report is the fifty-second in the series.

This year has brought about several teacher changes.

Robert F. Calkin, a graduate of Fitchburg Teachers

College was employed to teach grades five and six at the beginning of the calendar year.

Mrs. Margaret E. Ratcliffe who had been teaching these grades was transferred to grade one to replace Mrs. Harriet E. Harvey who had taught in this grade for the fall term of nineteen fifty.

At the end of the school year, Mrs. Kathleen King, (grade II and III) resigned, (moving out of the State). Mrs. John Williamson filled this vacancy. Mrs. Margaret E. Ratcliffe resigned from grade one due to home conditions and Mrs. Hazel M. Gay was appointed in her place.

In December we received the resignation of Mrs. Freda T. Kelsey who will return as teacher at Rutland about February first. Chester O. Gay has recently been appointed as Principal and teacher of grades seven and eight.

Mr. Gregory F. Bowes was elected by the Union Committee as Art Supervisor. His instruction has been favorably received.

Miss Ruth S. Innes, the Music Supervisor is not only carrying on successfully in the vocal, but in the instrumental field.

In December the citizens, teachers and pupils of Paxton were saddened by the death of Mrs. Beryl W. Barnes, a former teacher of grade one.

M E M O R I A M
to

MRS. BERYL W. BARNES
December 14, 1951
An outstanding teacher and
a lover of children.

The School Committee has been very active in making minor repairs and keeping the school rooms in excellent condition. Howard Cresswell the custodian has made practically all of these repairs. The school system is fortunate in having an outstanding custodian. He is at present refinishing the additional room which we will use in September.

The pupils who are transported are efficiently being cared for by Samuel Clapp, the total number being one hundred twenty eight. Eleven of these are attending Holden High School and twenty one are registered in the Worcester Schools.

The Committee has been notified that the following State School reimbursements have been credited to the town.

Chapter 70	\$4,601.36
Transportation	6,227.23
Superintendent's Sal.	369.96
Boys' Trade School	450.00
Girls' Trade School	183.84
Evening School	31.70
Agricultural School	90.00

Total \$11,954.09

The bids for the Wachusett Regional High School will be given to the contractors about January 15, 1952. It is hoped that these school bids will be favorable to the towns and that we can occupy the new building by September.

Paxton is very fortunate in having a Committee who keeps in close touch with the schools, the community and all organizations which are interested in education.

Paxton is listed in group four towns by the State Department of Education. The figures recently released by the department states that Paxton is spending for education about the same as the average for these towns. The town has a higher per pupil valuation than any town in the Wachusett Regional School district.

The amount that a town votes for education depends largely upon the attitudes of the citizens. If the citizens of a town believe that the teachers and officials are efficient in managing the schools, they will usually support the schools.

We who are endeavoring to minister to the schools trust that Paxton will continue to give its' boys and girls the best it can afford.

#### Plans for the Future:

- 1. Refinish and furnish another class room for September.
- 2. Endeavor to employ experienced teachers.
- 3. Keep salaries in line with other neighboring towns.
- 4. Keep the scholarship standards on a high plane.
- 5. Keep the citizens informed of educational policies.
- 6. Cooperate with all organizations which are interested in the schools.

In conclusion, may I express my appreciation to the teachers, custodian, pupils, School Committee, Samuel Clapp, attendance officer, various organizations and citizens who have assisted me in making the year a pleasant one.

WILLIAM H. BUKER, Superintendent of Schools

OF THE

# Principal Paxton Center School

To the Superintendent of Schools:

We have sold \$300.30 worth of saving stamps, have taken part in the Junior Red Cross, Polio, Health Seal and Heart Fund drives. The money from Christmas Card sales was added to \$100.00 from the Bugle fund and from the general fund so we have purchased a De Vry Sound Projector. The P. T. A. has purchased a plastic daylight screen. This will make it possible to use our machine as a teaching devise in each class-room.

During the year we have produced three Bugles in February, June and December. The people of Paxton have been most generous in their support of this project.

We have had, besides graduation, two programs at the Town Hall, one for Memorial Day and one at Christmas time. In all of these programs our new orchestra has taken part enriching the programs.

We had an art exhibit and a music program in the school in connection with the May P. T. A. meeting.

This fall each classroom has been decorated by a mural which has been made by the pupils under the direction of Mr. Bowes.

Lee Hansen from the graduating class entered Brooks School in Andover, David Putman, Boys' Trade School, Sandra Girouard, Joan Hughes, John Rickertsen, Philip Rickertsen, South High School and Barbara Blaisdell entered Holden High School. The parents and committee have been most cooperative. I greatly appreciate your kindness and understanding during the three years that I have been principal of Center School.

Respectfully Submitted,

FREDA T. KELSEY

# REPORT

OF THE

# ART SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The pupils in all grades are working with a variety of material and experimenting with different approaches to art problems.

In the primary grades this is done mostly with crayons, with occasional problems using colored construction paper. These grades have also worked on a cooperative mural project, and projects for the various holidays.

In the intermediate grades the pupils work with crayons, water-colors and colored construction papers. Fire prevention posters, cooperative murals and holiday projects have been interspersed with lessons in drawing and painting.

The teachers in all grades have been most helpful and willing to assist with the art program.

Repectfully submitted,

GREGORY F. BOWES

OF THE

# MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The aim of the teaching of music in the schools is to develop in all children an intelligent appreciation, and understanding of music as a life resource. To accomplish this a five-fold program is presented in the grades, singing, rhythmic activities, dancing, playing instruments and creating. Perceptions, understandings and skills are cumulatively developed as each child participates in these diversified activities throughout the entire course.

In the first three grades, the chilren learn that music consists of ideas expressed through tones, called "reading readiness." At the fourth grade level we see the emergence of technical controls and insights. Two-part music begins in the fifth grade and three-part in the sixth.

As part of the listening program the children have learned to recognize some of the dance forms as well as indentifying the instruments of a symphony orchestra, by sight and sound.

Both the orchestra and the glee club performed at the graduation exercises and the Christmas program.

There is one instructor working with the students, namely Albert Yodzonis, teacher of brass.

Some square dancing and social dancing has been started.

Respectfully submitted,
RUTH S. INNES

OF THE

# SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The school physician submits the following report for Paxton for 1951:

The annual physical examinations have been completed.

Immunization clinics were not conducted last spring. Clinics are being planned for the spring, however, and diphtheria, tetanus toxoid immunization will be given.

Respectfully submitted,

LEORY E. MAYO, M. D.

# REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools:

The yearly physical examinations of the school children in grades 1-4-7 have been completed by Dr. Mayo. Defects have been recorded on the individual physical recorded card of each child.

Notices were sent home and the parents are urged to have corrections made.

The annual vision test has been given and most of the defects have been corrected.

Throughout the year routine work went on, such as home visits, personal interviews, weighing and measuring, inspections, first aid, excluding sick children who either came to school ill or who became ill at school, also planning and assisting the school physician in clinics.

Weighed and Measured	319
First Aid	47
Field Visits	15
Vision Tests	151
Physically Handicapped	3
Physical Examination with Dr.	78
Pupils excluded	19
Pupils re-admitted	19

I sinerely wish to thank everyone who has helped throughout the year to make my work pleasant and effective.

Respectively submitted,

BRENDA T. SULLIVAN, R.N.

# ENROLLMENT FALL TERM 1951

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Totals
$u=_{\Sigma} \cdot (x,y_{\Sigma}^{(0)})$	19	15	18	26	12	17	16	11	134
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# SUMMARY OF REGISTERS 1950-1951

Grades	Total Membership	Average Membership	% of Attendance
VIII-VII	23	20.18	94.64
VI-V	34	31.21	95.09
IV-III	27	26.16	96.41
III-II	32	27.21	96.32
I	20	16.52	94.23
	136	121.28	95.34

# CENSUS—OCTOBER 1, 1951

	Boys	Girls	Total
5 to 7 years of age	21	16	37
7 to 16 years of age	66	74	140
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	87	90	177
In Public Schools			148
In Trade Schools (7 to 16 yrs.)			2
In Private Schools (7 to 16 yrs.)			15
Not in School (5 to 7 yrs.)			12
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## GRADUATES-JUNE 15, 1951

Barbara Blaisdell Sandra Girouard Lee Hansen Joan Hughes David Putnam John Rickertsen

Philip Rickertsen

# PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Three Years Everett Lupien VII

One Year

Aleta L. Bourget II
Blanche Cournoyer II
Carolyn Berglund V
Joseph Grensavitch V
Carol Grensavitch V
Lynn Johnson VIII
Sanford Wreschensky I
Jo-Ann Tannahill II
Lee Hansen VIII
Philip Rickertsen VII

# AMERICAN HUMANE SOCIETY—POSTER AWARDS

First Prize Second Prize Third Prize Gail Prentiss Barbara Blaisdell Lee Hansen

# AMERICAN LEGION AWARDS

First Prize Second Prize Joan Hughes David Putnam

# ESSAY CONTEST

# "Why I am an American"

First Prize Second Prize Third Prize James Cunningham Linda O'Janne Faith Wheeler

## TUITION PUPILS

School	Number	Rate Per Year
North High	1	\$180.00
South High	6	180.00
Classical High	`1	180.00
Commerce High	6	180.00
Holden High School	11	175.00
Spencer High	1	190.00
Worcester Trade Schools	5	225.00
Evening School—Trade	13	.20 per hr.

# BUDGET 1952

	DODGET TOOL			
		Appropriated	Spent	Recom.
Y 69	1 2 2	- 1951	1951	1994
Moderator				
Salary	,	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00
Selectmen				
Salaries		600.00	600.00	600.00
Expenses		300.00	294.54	300.00
Town Accountant				
Salary		400.00	400.00	400.00
Expenses		15.00	15.00	15.00
Treasurer	E			
Salary		350.00	350.00	350.00
Expenses		100.00	100.00	100.00
Collector of Taxes				
Salary		600.00	600.00	600.00
Expenses		125.00	125.00	125.00
Assessors				
Salaries		300.00	30000	300.00
Expenses		395.00	389.79	425.00

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Legal				
Town Councel	500.00	569.06	600.00	
From Reserve Fund	69.06			
Town Clerk			3	
Salary	200.00	200.00	200.00	
Expenses	90.00	78.10	90.00	
Elections	200.00	130.00	500.00	
Registrars				
Salaries	25.00	25.00	25.00	
Expenses	50.00	none	50.00	П
Town Hall	2,600.00	2,829.09	2,400.00	109
From Reserve Fund	229.09			
Planning Board	750.00	386.86	700.00	
Board of Appeals	25.00	10.97	25.00	
Reserve Fund				
Transfer from Overlay	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,00.00	
Police Dept.				
Patrolling	900.00	897.41	900.00	
Expenses	50.00	30.30	50.00	
School Traffic	744.00	719.86	744.00	

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Dog Officer	25.00	25.00	25.00	
Civil Defense	none	118.04	none	
From Reserve Fund	118.04			
Fire Engineers	400.00	400.00	400.00	
Fire Dept.	1,793.00	1,553.08	1,892.00	
Building Inspector	150.00	150.00	150.00	
Sealer of Weights				
Salary	25.00	25.00	25.00	
Expenses	5.00	1.15	5.00	
Moth Dept.	200.00	184.00	200.00	
Tree Warden	650.00	472.80	650.00	
Health				
Salaries	30.00	30.00	30.00	
Expenses	849.00	827.83	1,049.00	
Collection of Garbage	804.00	1,137.64	1,179.36	
From Reserve Fund	333.64			
Inspector of Aniamls	50.00	50.00	50.00	
Inspector of Meat and Slaughtering				
Salary	5.00	5.00	5.00	
Inspections	6.00	6.00	none	

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Highways			
Chapters 81	2,800.00	2,800.00	2,800.00
Chapter 90 Maintance	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Chapter 90 Construction	2,000.00	2,000.00	none
Highways Equipment Maint.			
Transfer	763.65	1,480.83	
Reserve Fund	717.18		
Snow Removal	3,750.00	3,749.91	4,500.00
Snow Fence	250.00	none	250.00
Street Lights	1,273.00	1,063.65	1,100.00
Public Welfare			
Salaries	150.00	105.00	150.00
Expenses	3,000.00	2,539.71	4,000.00
Old Age Assistance	4,000.00	5,237.34	5,500.00
Federal	3,420.37	0	
Old Age Assistance Admistration	75.00	108.78	75.00
Federal	139.19		
Civil Service Employee			
Salary	302.00	168.72	516.00

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Veterans' Benefits			
Agent Salary	50.00	50.00	50.00
Expenses	10.00	9.60	10.00
Aid	1,000.00	547.08	1,000.00
Schools	35,580.00	35,392.47	38,286.00
Income and Refunds	49.50		
Regional High School	1,863.59	1,863.59	1,095.30
Library			
Income and balance	1,170.36		
Dog Fund	385.64		370.85
Appropriation	1,356.00	2,454.57	1,740.00
Common			
Salary	200.00	200.00	200.00
Expenses	50.00	23.38	50.00
Town Clock, care of	60.00	60.00	60.00
Repairs	15.00	none	25.00
Memorial Day	100.00	94.20	100.00
Insurance and Bonds	2,800.00	2,956.10	2,800.00
Refunds	398.03		
Printing Reports	1,000.00	1,020.00	750.00
From Reserve Fund	20.00		

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Fourth of July		50.00	49.91	50.00	
Halloween		50.00	36.73	none	
Water Dept. Salaries Expenses From Reserve Fund		175.00 5,375.00 1,512.99	175.00 6,900.65	175.00 5,790.00	
Hydrant Rentals		1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	
Cemeteries Income		250.00 1,013.31	1,263.31	525.00	
Interest on Notes		25.00	none	25.00	
Certification of Notes		10.00	2.00	10.00	

Respectfully submitted,

MERVIN RICHARDS, Ch.
J. S. WILLIAM LAMOTTE
HILTON CUNNINGHAM
REUBEN O'JANNE
ROBERT BRUCE
J. ARDEN WOODALL
Finance Board

## TOWN WARRANT

## THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

WORCESTER, ss.

To either of the Constables 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 Mo. "ay, the third (3rd) day of March, 1952, at 12:00 noon, then and there to act on the following articles, namely:

Article 1. To bring to the election officers their votes for Town Officers to be voted for upon the official ballot, as follows:

1 year
1 year
3 years

2 Library Trustees	3 years
Planning Board	5 years
Board of Health	3 years
Wachusett Regional High	
School	3 years

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

Also to choose any other neccessary officers of the Town for the ensuing year.

The polls will be open from 12:00 noon until 8 o'clock P. M.

The business meeting will be called to order at 7:30 P. M.

Article 2. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and the committees and act thereon, and to act upon 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 charges of a Surety Company for acting as surety on bonds required of Town Officers and authorize the Selectmen to approve the same.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to 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, 1952, and to issue a note or notes of the Town therefor, payable within one (1) year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one (1) year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws.

- Article 5. To see if the town will vote to appoint a committee to have charge of the Fourth of July celebration, or act in any way thereon.
- Article 6. 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 7. To see if the town will vote to give the members of the Fire Department compensation for their services, or act in any way thereon.
- Article 8. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the money received from the Dog Fund to the Richards Memorial Library, or act in any way thereon.
- Article 9. To see if the town will vote to transfer from the "Illig Fund" the sum of Three hundred dollars (300.00) to the account of the "Illig Property Maintainence Fund," this fund to be used to pay taxes and make necessary repairs, or act in any way thereon.
- Article 10. To see if the town will vote to install additional street lights as follows: two (2) on Pleasant St., north; two (2) on West St.; two (2) on Holden Rd.; one (1) on Grove St.; one (1) on Whitney Dr.; and one (1) on Spring Dr.; or act in any way thereon.
- Article 11. To see that there be included in the tax levy for electricity, a sum to be used for street lights, and that this sum and the income from the sales of electricity to private consumers or for electricity supplied to municipal buildings or for municipal power, and from sales of appli-

ances and jobbing during the current fiscal year, be appropriated for Municipal Light Plants, the whole to be expended by the manager of the Municipal Light Plant under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board for the expense of the plant for the current fiscal year, as defined in Section 57, Chapter 164, of the General Laws and Chapter 235 of the Acts of 1937, and that if this sum and this income shall exceed the expenses for said fiscal year, such excess shall be transferred to the construction fund of said Plant and appropriated and used for such additions thereto as may thereafter be authorized by the Municipal Light Board.

Article 12. To see if the town will vote to cooperate with the State to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 81 highways or act in any way thereon.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote to cooperate with the State and County to raise and appropriate, or transfer from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 highway maintainence, or act in any way thereon.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) for construction on Marshall 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 act in any way thereon.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to transfer one thousand eight hundred seventy-eight dollars thirty-five cents (\$1,878.35) from Highway Equipment Fund to the Highway Equipment Maintainence Fund to be used to furnish supplies and maintain the town's highway equipment, or act in any way thereon.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of thirty-five hundred dollars (\$3,500.00) to be used to purchase a new tractor with bucket loader and back hoe, and authorize the Selectmen to trade in the present Oliver tractor with bucket loader, or act in any way thereon.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred five dollars (\$405.00) for the purpose of purchasing a new sand spreader for the Highway Dept., or act in any way thereon.

Article 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of six hundred dollars (\$600.00) to provide vacation and sick leave pay to employees of the Highway and Water Depts. as follows:

"After having worked for the town one full year, one week vacation with pay and one week sick leave with pay; after having worked for the town two full years, two weeks vacation with pay and one week sick leave with pay. After having worked for the town one year the Superintendent to receive two weeks vacation with pay and one week sick leave, and after two years, three weeks vacation with pay and one week sick leave; sick leave may be accrued up to two weeks only, or act in any way thereon.

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Board of Fire Engineers to sell the surplus wooden extension and roof ladders now stored at the Fire Dept. garage and property of the Paxton Fire Dept., or act in any way thereon.

Article 20. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apopint a committee to study the question of a town garage, and to submit plans for a garage to be built under the jurisdiction of the Superintendent of Streets and using town labor to the greatest extend possible, or act in any way thereon.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote to accept the list of Jurors as prepared by the Selectmen, or act in any way thereon.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00), the money to be used by the Planning Board to engage the services of an architect, so that they may submit to the voters for their approval, suitable plans for a Town Building to be used for housing town equipment, or act in any way thereon.

Article 23. To see if the town will vote to transfer from surplus an amount, equal to the receipts of the Water Dept. for 1951, to the account of the Water Dept., or act in any way thereon.

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of forty-five hundred dollars (\$4,500.00) for water extensions; twenty-eight hundred dollars (\$2,800.) to be spent on Holden St., and seventeen hundred dollars to be spent on Grove St., or act in any way thereon.

Article 25. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand ninety-five dollars thirty cents (\$1,095.30) as its share of the assessment of the Wachusett Regional School District for the current year for interest and principal to be paid in 1952 on bonds to be issued for the construction of the new Regional High School, or act in any way thereon.

Article 26. To see if the town will vote to accept the laying out of Birchwood Road by the Selectmen under date of January 31, 1952, as shown on a plan designated; A Plan

of Asknebumskit Home Sites; drawn by Francis B. Thompson, C. E., dated June 18, 1951, or act in any way thereon.

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of acquiring by purchase or taking by right of eminent domain an easement for public way purposes in Birchwood Road, or act in any way thereon.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase or acquire by right of eminent domain from Clarkson-Giffin Realty Corporation, a Massachusetts Corporation, an easement for public way purposes in Birchwood Road, being a way fifty (50) feet wide extending easterly from Pleasant Street as shown on a plan of land dated June 18, 1951, drawn by Francis B. Thompson, C. E., or act in any way thereon.

Article 29. To see if the town will vote to accept the laying out of Ridgewood Road by the Selectmen under date of January 31, 1952, as shown on a plan designated; A Plan of Asknebumskit Home Sites; drawn by Francis B. Thompson, C. E., dated June 18, 1951, or act in any way thereon.

Article 30. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of acquiring by purchase or taking by right of eminent domain an easement for public way purposes in Ridgewood Road, or act in any way thereon.

Article 31. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase or acquire by right of eminent domain from Clarkson-Giffin Realty Corporation, a Massachuseets Corporation, an easement for public way purposes in Ridgewood Road being a way fifty (50) feet wide extending southeasterly from Asknebumskit Road as shown on a

plan of land dated June 18, 1952, drawn by Francis B. Thompson, C. E., or act in any way thereon.

Article 32. To see if the town will vote to accept the laying out of Meadowbrook Drive by the Selectmen under date of February 14, 1952, as shown on a plan designated; A Plan of Mountain View; by P. R. Grout, R. P. E., recorded in Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 175, Plan 5 labeled Section A.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of acquiring by purchase or taking by right of eminent domain an easement for public way purposes in Meadowborok Drive, or act in any way thereon.

Article 34. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase or acquire by right of eminent domain from Franklin G. Fleming, Jr. an easement for public way purposes in Meadowbrook Drive being a way fifty (50) feet wide extending southerly from Franklin St. for a distance of 300 feet as shown on a plan of land designated; A Plan of Mountain View drawn by P. R. Grout, R. P. E., recorded in Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book No. 175, Plan 5 labeled Section A.

Article 35. To see if the town will vote to accept the laying out of Franklin St. by the Selectmen under date of February 14, 1952 as shown on a plan designated; A Plan of Mountain View; drawn by P. R. Grout, R. P. E., recorded in Worcester Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 175, Plan 5, labeled Section A.

Article 36. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of acquiring by purchase or taking by right of eminent domain an ease-

ment for public way purposes in Franklin St., or act in any way thereon.

Article 37. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase or acquire by right of eminent domain from Franklin G. Fleming, Jr., an easement for public way purposes in Franklin Street being a way fifty (50) feet wide extending easterly from Pleasant Street as shown on a plan of land designated; A Plan of Mountain View; drawn by P. R. Grout, R. P. E., recorded in Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 175, Plan 5 labeled Section A.

Article 38. To see if the town will vote to accept the laying out of Birch street by the Selectmen under date of February 14, 1952, as shown on a plan of land designated; A Plan of West Tatnuck Heights; drawn by Herbert Pratt, C. E., dated 1923 and recorded in Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 41, Plan 33.

Article 39. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of acquiring by purchase or taking by right of eminent domain an easement for public way purposes in Birch Street, or act in any way thereon.

Article 40. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase or acquire by right of eminent domain from Emmet G. and Julia E. Johnson tenants by the entirety, Ellen Smith and Franklin G. Fleming, Jr., an easement for public way purposes in Birch Street being a way fifty (50) feet wide extending easterly from Pleasant Street as shown by a Plan of land dated 1923 designated; A Plan of West Tatnuck Heights; drawn by Herbert Pratt, C. E., and recorded in the Worcester District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 41, Plan 33.

AND YOU ARE directed to serve this Warrant by posting two (2) attested copies thereof, one (1) at the Post Office and one (1) at the Town Hall as required by law seven (7) days at least before the day set for holding said meeting.

HEREOF FAIL NOT and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon at time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands this 31st day of January, 1951, A. D.

ARTHUR J. CROMPTON LOUIS T. HAMBLIN SHERMAN S. LUDDEN Selectmen of Paxton

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