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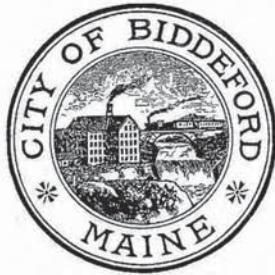
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ANNUAL REPORT
CITY OF BIDDEFORD



For Fiscal Year
Beginning December 1, 1939
and Ending November 30, 1940

JAN 7 1941



Mayor

WILFRID LANDRY

MAYOR'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL :

On Monday, December 18th, the voters of the City of Biddeford elected another City Government to conduct the business of the city for the ensuing year. We are now about to enter upon our work for the coming year to inaugurate in this public manner a new government, and in accordance with a time honored custom, it is my privilege as Mayor to address you and to chart a safe and sound course in municipal government in order to obtain that degree of success which has been so notable in the past few years. It is an old American axiom that politics stops at the water's edge, and so it must be with our local government for after a bitter strife of any political campaign there must be no partisan legislation which might in the slightest degree destroy the effectiveness of our work. This has been our policy in the past and on account of this we have merited the support of the best citizens of this community, and we have received that support.

This election is very significant inasmuch as it has by the greatest majority, given the candidates of the Democratic Party in recent years, placed a seal of approval upon the policy of the Government formulated in 1935 and closely adhered to since that time, with ever increasing majorities reaching the high mark of 2534, the last expression of their will. This expression of the wish of our people, I consider a mandate by the electorate that there must be no change in government policy, and as far as I am able, I pledge my every effort to assist you in attaining this end.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank those of you who were members of the old board who gave so generously of their time and effort in order to obtain the excellent result which was shown by the City Treasurer's report recently

made public, and of those of you who are seated here for the first time I ask of you that same spirit of coöperation which was so evident in the work of the members of former governments to the end, that we may carry on and at the close of the year that we may be able to give an account of our stewardship that will merit the approbation of all classes of our citizens.

The City of Biddeford has made a magnificent contribution to the cause of good government. The old town meeting form of Government instituted many years ago in this country is still a proven and successful method of obtaining best results. In 1855, the people of Biddeford accepted the city form which is the town meeting in a more centralized form and is purely local without interference by the State in the form of commissions, or by the city manager system which is being tried out in other sections of this State. The City of Biddeford has demonstrated that a government by the people can be conducted successfully, that we do not need any State commissions or any other form of substitutes which would deprive the people of their right to govern. Our record with this method of Government shows conclusively that this city form is the better method of municipal government when conducted by men of ability and character in the interests of all of our people without favor.

Men are judged by their records and likewise governments. During the past five years many problems in municipal affairs have confronted your predecessors, many of them of greater magnitude than were ever before considered. These have been happily solved by ability and tact to the satisfaction of our people. No really great problems confront this administration at this time. Our main duty must be to conduct the affairs of this government in a careful and businesslike manner. I recommend that the heads of the departments, report at each regular meeting a detailed statement of their activities, stating also the needs of their department for the

coming month, the record of their expenditures and the amount of unexpended balance which remains in their department.

I feel it necessary also, as I have on previous occasions to keep constantly before you, and particularly the new members, the condition that existed prior to 1935, caused by lack of attention, by members of the city government to the details of government, a condition which nearly brought the City of Biddeford into bankruptcy. This you should keep always before you, so that in the expenditure of the taxpayer's money, you will realize the necessity of no expenditures except those that are actually necessary. The records of the past five years, on account of this close supervision, I wish also to bring to your attention, show that our city debt has been reduced each year:—

Net city debt, January 1, 1935	\$576,333.42
Net city debt, November 30, 1939	358,141.47
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Net city debt reduction	\$218,191.95

I also wish to call your attention to the improvement in the financial standing of the city, commended upon by those from whom we must obtain funds to carry on, until the tax commitment. In 1934, temporary loans in anticipation of taxes 6%, 1939 temporary loans in anticipation of taxes 3/5 of 1%. Our bonds and notes are today in demand by conservative investors, where at the beginning of this period it was hard for banks to find customers. This is the standing which we wish to maintain, and I am satisfied that you will lend your assistance this year, to keep the credit of the City of Biddeford at its present high standard.

School Department

The education of the youth of our city, is perhaps the most important work which we have to perform. This board now consists of five members, all of whom are elected by the people, and are responsible to them. The department is ably supervised under the direction of Superintendent A. Alton Garcelon, who has under him a score of very efficient teachers. This constitutes the public school system of our city, which has been for a number of years, kept up to a very high standard of efficiency, but I feel that I can say conscientiously, that no child graduating from our common schools and our high school has been deprived of any opportunity for the best education possible within our school system. It is conducted strictly upon a non-partisan basis, with no interference from any part of the duly elected government of the city. The City Council, however, is directed to make all appropriations of the department and has supervision over the expenditures.

Street Department

Our Street Department has been ably conducted under the supervision of Albert S. Cadorette, whose years of experience in this particular kind of work has made him a very efficient public servant. The department this year, however, has been obliged to overdraw its appropriation on account of the great number of men who are still unemployed in our city. The demands for work in the department are very much greater than the City can give. It does, however, place as many deserving applicants as possible so that they will not be compelled to make application to the Welfare Department. In this way the city obtains the benefit of labor which they can give in return for wages received, and many improvements have been made which otherwise might not have been completed. Sewers have been constructed on May Street, Gertrude Avenue, Ray Street, Foss Street, Quimby Street, Granite Street, and Harding Street, and on these sewers

2,150 feet of 12-inch pipe has been laid and 475 feet of 8-inch pipe.

The following streets in Biddeford Pool were scarified, graded and rolled—Ocean Avenue, Fore Street, Stone Street, and Ocean Street. This same work was done on the following streets in Biddeford—Miller Avenue, Summer Street, Clark Street, Hill Street, Graham Street, Prospect Street, Highland Street, Main Street, from Mount Pleasant to South Street, Harvard Street, Summit Street, Dartmouth Street, Yale Street, Roberts Street, Western Avenue, Beacon Avenue, Railroad Avenue, and Rugby Street. There has also been constructed by this department approximately one mile of road on Alfred Street to Elm Street where the railroad ties were removed. 1,300 yards of gravel base were used and 1,833 yards of crushed stone were used, and 22,000 gallons of asphalt were applied on this work. This expense borne by the city amounts to \$13,543.36. This amount has yet not been repaid to the city, but in all probability will be in the near future.

The value of real estate in that locality where streets and sewers have been constructed has been improved, and this has been the means of home construction from which the city obtains a return in taxes assessed on this property.

Police Department

The Police Department as present constituted is governed by a Board of three Commissioners, all elected by the people, and consists of a chief, a captain, 9 regular patrolmen, 6 special patrolmen, a night traffic officer, and two deskmen. The personnel of this department is of a very high standard and men who are respected by all citizens in our community. Crime within our borders is of a very negligible quantity. The department has made a record in the solving of what felonies have been committed so that the lives and property of our citizens is properly protected. The handling of the

financial affairs of the department has been on a strictly economical and business basis, so much so, that the expenditures in this department are very low compared with the expenditures in administrations prior to the Democratic Party coming into power.

In the closing days of the 89th Legislature, the Republican organization asked to be enacted a bill placing the Police Department of the City of Biddeford under the supervision of the State. This move being made in the interests of the worst partisan racket that this State has ever known. This is the most unpardonable political crime, and the most dastardly attempt to gain partisan advantage that has ever been practiced in this State. The City of Biddeford during the past four years has in its method of local self government shown the world that it has conducted the business of the city in a sound, businesslike, and economical manner. There has been no mal-administration in the Police Department or in any department in the City of Biddeford. Our success in municipal government has been commented upon in all sections of this State, and yet with this record for efficiency in government with no mal-administration in our Police Department the Legislature at the request of a few local Republican leaders has attempted to saddle upon the people of the City of Biddeford a government by the State instead of government by our own people. The peculiarity about this matter is that until the last few days of the Legislative session the Police Bill had been defeated in both the House and the Senate, but a secret Hotel Rum Bill had been introduced into the Legislature and any particular activity in regard to this bill was carefully concealed. Later a threat was made to Representative Donahue, leader of the Democratic minority, that unless he allowed this bill to go through that the Republican organization would recall the favorable votes already taken and ram this Police Bill down their throats. The Democratic block, however, standing on principle that the people having voted to make their towns dry was a mandate from the people

and that the Legislature should not interfere with the wish of the voters in those towns. The power of leaders, however, was such that they did finally reverse their favorable vote defeating the Police Bill to a vote in favor of it.

This act is a blot upon the good name of the State of Maine and a disgrace to the body which should uphold the ideals for fair and square dealing with all classes of people within its borders. This will merit proper rebuke when people of this State will have an opportunity to pass upon this act at the next general election in September.

W. P. A. Department

This Department is ably supervised by Conrad Fortier who has shown excellent ability in this kind of work. This Department created by the Federal Government has been of material assistance to us in taking care of those unemployed, relieving the taxpayers of an additional burden which they might otherwise have difficulty in bearing. Four projects have been in operation since December 1st. The Sewing Room Project gave employment to 78 people for which the City of Biddeford purchased 13,254 yards of cotton and woolen material at a cost of \$3,317.77. Many articles of clothing which were made on account of this project were turned over to the Welfare Department and were distributed among the poor of our city. The Birch Street Ledge project gave employment to 49 people and from which 3,430 tons of crushed rock were obtained. Approximately 15,000 ton of this rock is now available for street construction work. The Streets and Sidewalks Project gave employment to 62 men and from June, 1939, there has been constructed 22,545 feet of asphalt sidewalks and roadwork, 2,159 feet of old curbing has been reset and 3,960 feet of new cement curbing has been laid. The Storm Sewer Project began December 1, 1938, with 43 men. This year work was done on Granite Street, Elm Street, across St. Marie's field to the area of Prospect Street by way of Ray Street. Two conditions justify the construction of

this line, one is the overloading of the old stone sewer and the other is that the existing outlet under Alfred Street was too high and too small to adequately drain the area between Alfred and Prospect Streets. This project also assists in the removal of water from that area. There has been laid within this project area 724 feet of 36-inch pipe; 848 feet of 30-inch pipe; 252 feet of 24-inch pipe; 750 feet of 18-inch pipe; 502 feet of 15-inch pipe; 1200 feet of 12-inch pipe and 350 feet of 8-inch pipe. On Harrison Avenue, a sewer was enlarged by taking out 18-inch vitrified pipe and putting in 594 feet of 30-inch concrete pipe. There has been expended in these different projects the sum of \$34,877.43 for material used.

Realizing the necessity of putting to work as many of our unemployed as possible I would recommend in so far as finances will permit the continuance of the third phase of this project this year, and with this, the entire area in the southern part of the city will make this section a more healthful and desirable place in which to live and will attract those who may desire to build new homes so that the city may be able to obtain from taxes assessed on this property a return which in a few years will reimburse the city for the expenditures which have been made out of the taxpayer's money for materials purchased.

Welfare Department

This Department is now under the efficient management of Mrs. Louis J. Mathurin. It is the first time in the history of the city that a woman has been elected to conduct the business of this department. This was an experiment and that it has been successful is shown by the excellent report recently submitted showing a substantial saving in this department without depriving any worthy applicant of assistance. This is I feel in accordance with the wish of all taxpayers who I know do not desire to deprive any of our unemployed of their support. The sympathetic nature of womankind together

with good business ability is an excellent combination for success in welfare work.

The care of the people at the Homestead is now under the efficient management of Antoine Petit whose ability in this line of work is particularly marked. Unfortunates who find it necessary to ask the city for care and in this Institution must be given the proper care and during the time of his service he has shown that very sympathetic attitude which is a necessary asset in the care of inmates of an Institution of this kind. His financial ability is also marked inasmuch as at the close of the year out of his appropriation a saving was made of \$44.53 compared with the previous year an overdraft of \$1,902.87.

I recommend that contact be immediately made with the Federal County Farm Agent to have a test made of the soil conditions so that beginning next spring an intelligent farm program can be carried out. This work would be done as I am informed without any expense to the city, and will determine just the kind of crops that can be raised from a particular kind of soil. In this way I feel that 185 acres which constitute this farm property can be utilized for a benefit to the city.

Fire Department

This Department is governed by a board of engineers, a chief, and two assistants, appointed by the mayor. The department has been kept at a very high rate of efficiency so that the property and the lives of our citizens are properly safeguarded. The method of quick response to alarms has been the means of keeping fires at a minimum and no heavy losses have been sustained by fire during the past year. The expenses of this department have been carefully watched so that at the end of the year an unexpended balance of \$989.18 was shown in this department.

We meet here today in a spirit of joyfulness which pervades this Christmas and New Year's season, happy in the thought that we are at peace with our neighbor, and that this country of ours is at peace with all the world, but as we look across the sea and view the embattled nations locked in a death struggle because they no longer listen to the Angel's song of "Peace on Earth, Goodwill toward Men" and we send up our prayers to the Creator of all things, all men and all nations, that we may enjoy this peace in this land of ours which God preserve till time shall be no more. It is with this feeling in my heart and in behalf of this government and in my own behalf that I wish you and all the people of this City of Biddeford a happy and most prosperous New Year.



AUDITOR'S REPORT

December 9, 1940.

HONORABLE WILFRID LANDRY, MAYOR, AND MEMBERS OF
THE CITY COUNCIL, BIDDEFORD, MAINE.

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your request by Council Order, dated November 4, 1940, we have examined the records of the City of Biddeford as kept by the Treasurer, Tax Collector and City Auditor for the municipal year ended November 30, 1940, and submit herewith the following statements and schedules:

	Comments
Exhibit A	Comparative Balance Sheet
B	Report of Treasurer
C	Valuation and Commitment 1940 Taxes and 1940 Excise Tax
D	Report of Prior Years' Taxes
E	Statement of Appropriation Accounts
Schedule 1	Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash Balance
2	Accounts Receivable
3	Sinking Fund
4	Trust Funds
5	Analysis of Change in Net Debt
6	Bonded Debt
7	Annual Bond Payments

In our opinion, subject to the comments submitted, the accompanying statements fairly reflect the financial condition of the city as of November 30, 1940, and the result of its operations for the year.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD E. CRAWFORD,
Municipal Auditor.

COMMENTS

General Cash

The cash received, as recorded, was properly accounted for, properly substantiated by receipts and reconciled with the deposits as reported by the bank.

The expenditures were made from properly authorized warrants and the vouchers on file were examined and ascertained to be properly approved.

Petty Cash

This represents fund placed in the custody of the Tax Collector available for current use and has been verified by actual count.

Uncollected Taxes

The records of the Tax Collector were examined by us and it was ascertained that all taxes committed were properly accounted for either in cash, properly authorized abatements, or still remain outstanding on the tax books.

The outstanding taxes are substantiated by detailed lists on file in the office of the Tax Collector. Mail verifications are to be made at a later date.

The payments received on tax deeds and liens were verified and found to be properly accounted for.

In accordance with sound accounting principles, we have made a provision for doubtful tax receivables by setting up a "Reserve for Uncollectible Taxes" account for an amount which will more properly evaluate the outstanding taxes.

Departmental Receivables

Verifications by mail were made applicable to various outstanding receivables. Within a space of two weeks' time approximately \$1,200 was collected, with replies from about 30% received.

It was apparent that each respective department should be made responsible for the proper billing of charges periodically and that a special effort be made for the collection of outstanding accounts before the close of the municipal year.

Trust Funds

The trust funds, as reported, were verified by examination of the savings bank books, and all interest credited has been properly accounted for.

Bonds Payable

A complete detail of the outstanding bonds is submitted in a separate schedule. During the year, new refunding bonds were issued in the sum of \$25,000 at a rate of $1\frac{1}{2}\%$ to refund the 1920 issue of 5% bonds which matured during the year. Serial bonds paid from the current year's appropriation amounted to \$42,500.

General

The annual reports submitted by the several departments were found to be in agreement with the books of the City Auditor. It was reported that all bills submitted had been paid.

We wish to express our appreciation for the cooperation extended to us during the period of our examination.

REPORT OF TREASURER
November 30, 1940

Cash Balance—November 30, 1939 \$ 6,691.25

RECEIPTS

Taxes:

Property—Current Year	\$607,408.57
Poll—Current Year	6,684.00
Property and Poll—Prior Years ..	76,367.61
Tax Deeds—Prior Years	423.26
Tax Liens—Prior Years	21,922.01
Excise Tax	23,725.51
Railroad and Telegraph Tax	507.50
Bank Stock Tax	96.05

Total from Taxes

\$737,134.51

Dog Licenses and Refunds

350.00

Departmental Receipts:

Administration	\$12,738.49
Protection	2,193.56
Health and Sanitation	563.30
Highways	17,762.27
Charities	4,464.31
Education	41,316.17
Library	180.00
Cemeteries	205.00
Accounts Receivable	17,509.30

Total Departmental Receipts ..

96,932.40

Interest:

On Taxes	\$600.58
On Trust Funds	304.74

Total from Interest

905.32

Temporary Loans

325,000.00

Bonds

25,000.00

Total Receipts

1,185,322.23

Total Available

\$1,192,013.48

Total Warrants Paid

1,181,028.09

Cash Balance—November 30, 1940

\$10,985.39

RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

Cash Book Balance	\$10,985.39	
Outstanding Checks	17,614.52	
Total		\$28,599.91
Bank Balance	\$21,412.21	
Deposit Credited, December 2, 1940	7,187.70	
Total		\$28,599.91

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS		
	November 30, 1939	November 30, 1940
Cash:		
General	\$6,691.25	\$10,985.39
Petty Cash	150.00	150.00
	\$ 6,841.25	\$ 11,135.39
Uncollected Taxes:		
1940		\$ 77,073.02
1939	\$ 81,235.56	8,375.05
1938	9,911.62	8,171.56
1937	7,051.85	6,315.24
1936	6,532.27	6,230.22
1935	6,674.18	6,447.30
1934 and Prior	107,998.46	107,992.46
Tax Liens:		
1939		12,457.43
1938	14,238.95	7,933.52
1937	11,062.92	6,754.05
1936	7,298.37	4,444.64
1935	4,226.15	3,624.02
1934	2,803.78	2,607.98

Tax Deeds:		
1933 and Prior	16,213.48	15,822.84
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	\$275,247.59	\$274,249.33
Less—Reserve for Uncollectible		
		57,243.98
		<u> </u>
		\$217,005.35
Accounts Receivable:		
Departmental	19,461.28	4,731.56
Overdrafts Deferred:		
School Department	3,333.21	3,935.86
Highway Department		4,634.40
Sinking Fund:		
Savings Bank Deposits ..	53,629.10	64,874.41
Trust Funds Invested:		
Savings Bank Deposits ..	15,747.47	15,819.20
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Total Assets	\$374,259.90	\$322,136.17
Net City Debt	358,141.47	367,942.18
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	\$732,401.37	\$690,078.35

LIABILITIES

	November 30, 1939	November 30, 1940
Bonds Payable:		
Funding	\$242,000.00	\$214,500.00
Refunding	325,000.00	320,000.00
High School Annex	30,000.00	20,000.00
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	\$597,000.00	\$554,500.00
Unexpended Balances Deferred:		
State Tax, 1939	81,976.60	
County Tax, 1939	25,138.16	
State Tax, 1940		84,124.75
County Tax, 1940		25,138.06
Old Age Assistance	11,995.83	10,496.34
School Department	289.13	
Teachers' Retirement Fund	254.18	
Trust Funds:		
Principal and Income	15,747.47	15,819.20
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	\$732,401.37	\$690,078.35

**SUMMARY OF OVERDRAFTS AND UNEXPENDED
BALANCES**

Year Ending November 30, 1940

Administrative :	Overdraft	Unexpended
Armory		\$ 289.84
City Building		3,328.69
Contingent		17,700.15
Election Expense		293.25
General Expense	\$ 167.47	
Salaries		286.24
Protection of Persons and Property :		
Fire Department	261.87	
Police Department		1,245.49
Hydrant Rentals		165.52
Health and Sanitation :		
Health Department	260.09	
Sewers and Drains		1,420.70
Garbage Collections	107.18	
Waste Collection		403.65
Highways :		
Bridges	13.25	
Highway District No. 4	51,940.36	
Fortune's Rocks District		9.83
Newtown06
Pool Road District	6.05	
Pool District		9.41
Resurfacing Streets		892.48
Sidewalks		200.00
Snow Removal		3,946.95
W. P. A.	16,386.79	
Ward 7, North		18.84
Ward 7, East		22.95
Ward 7, West		65.10
Patrol Maintenance	40.20	
Street Lights	69.26	

Charities and Corrections:

Pauper Department	18,113.78	
Homestead	429.66	
Mothers' Aid		358.34
Insane	143.39	

Education:

School Department	2,207.90	
Vocational Education		5.00

Cemeteries:

Woodlawn Cemetery		218.49
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Unclassified:

Overlay		12,235.15
Old Age Assistance		13,999.29
Bank Stock Tax		96.05
Railroad and Telegraph Tax		507.50
Tax Abatements—General	131.59	
Dog Licenses and Refunds	646.05	
Supplemental Taxes and Refunds		2,005.78
Excise Tax		23,213.84

Debt and Interest:

Interest		5,611.49
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\$88,550.08

Net Overdraft to Net Debt 2,374.81

\$90,924.89 \$90,924.89

ANALYSIS OF CHANGE IN NET DEBT
November 30, 1940

Net Debt November 30, 1939	\$358,141.47	
Add—Provision made for Reserve for Un- collectible Taxes	57,243.98	
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Adjusted Net Debt Balance—November 30, 1939		\$415,385.45
1939-40 Items		
Additions:		
Tax Liens and Deeds Adjust- ment	\$1,837.74	
Abatements for 1939 and prior years	2,066.54	
Miscellaneous Adjustment	22.95	
Net Overdrafts for 1940	2,374.81	
	<hr/>	\$6,302.04
Deductions:		
Reduction in Bonded Debt	\$42,500.00	
Sinking Fund Payment	10,000.00	
Sinking Fund Interest Credited for 1940	1,245.31	
	<hr/>	\$53,745.31
Net Reduction for 1940 Year		47,443.27
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Net Debt, November 30, 1940		\$367,942.18

**SCHEDULE OF DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS
RECEIVABLE**

November 30, 1940

W. P. A. :	
Cement Curbing	\$2,565.86
City Building :	
Rentals	575.00
Pauper Department :	
State of Maine	1,370.77
Other Towns	119.93
Sewers and Drains :	
Sewer Permits	100.00
Total Outstanding	\$4,731.56

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Balance on Deposit, November 30, 1939	\$15,747.47
Add—Interest Earned	376.47
	\$16,123.94
Less—Interest Withdrawn	304.74
Balance on Deposit, November 30, 1940	\$15,819.20

BOARD OF SINKING FUND COMMISSIONERS

November 30, 1940

Savings Bank Deposits

1935 Appropriation	\$10,000.00	
Interest		\$ 175.38
1936 Appropriation	10,000.00	
Interest		453.60
1937 Appropriation	10,000.00	
Interest		724.06
1938 Appropriation	10,000.00	
Interest		990.97
1939 Appropriation	10,000.00	
Interest		1,285.09
1940 Appropriation	10,000.00	
Interest		1,245.31

Total on Deposit ...	\$64,874.41	\$60,000.00 \$4,874.41

MICHAEL J. BOLAND, *President.*

EDOUARD DELORGE, *Secretary.*

LOUIS B. LAUSIER, *Treasurer.*

**SCHEDULE OF ANNUAL BOND PAYMENTS
1941-1952**

Year	Amount Payable Annually	Funding 3 3/4% 1935 Issue	Funding 3 3/4% 1937 Issue	Refunding 4% 1925 Issue	Refunding 4 1/2% 1929 Issue	Refunding 2% 1939 Issue	Refunding 1 1/2% 1940 Issue	H. S. Annex 4% 1925 Issue
1941	\$ 47,500.00	\$16,500.00	\$ 11,000.00		\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$10,000.00
1942	47,500.00	16,500.00	11,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	10,000.00
1943	37,500.00	16,500.00	11,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
1944	37,500.00	16,500.00	11,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00	
1945	87,500.00	16,500.00	11,000.00	\$50,000.00		5,000.00	5,000.00	
1946	16,000.00		11,000.00			5,000.00		
1947	16,000.00		11,000.00			5,000.00		
1948	16,000.00		11,000.00			5,000.00		
1949	216,000.00		11,000.00		\$200,000.00*	5,000.00		
1950	11,000.00		11,000.00					
1951	11,000.00		11,000.00					
1952	11,000.00		11,000.00					
	\$554,500.00	\$82,500.00	\$132,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$45,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$20,000.00

CASH ON DEPOSIT

Sinking Fund Reserve Applicable to above \$64,874.41*

ANALYSIS OF CHANGE ON BONDED DEBT

Bonds Outstanding, November 30, 1939	\$597,000.00
Add: New Issue 1 1/2% Refunding Bonds	25,000.00
Less:	
Bonds Paid from Appropriation	\$42,500.00
5% Bonds Paid by New Issue	25,000.00
	<u>67,500.00</u>
Bonds Outstanding, November 30, 1940	\$554,500.00

SCHEDULE OF 1940 TAXES

Commitment:

Real Estate:

Resident	\$380,930.31
Non-Resident	185,406.25
Supplemental	567.53

Total	\$566,904.09
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Personal:

Resident	\$36,052.92
Non-Resident	70,508.93
Supplemental	185.65

Total	\$106,747.50
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Polls	\$16,704.00
Supplemental	810.00

Total	\$17,514.00
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Total Committed	\$691,165.59
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CREDITS

Real Estate:

Cash Collections	\$488,660.06
Abatements—Pepperell	18,795.07
Abatements—General	1,272.08
Uncollected November 30, 1940	58,176.88
	\$566,904.09

Personal:

Cash Collections	\$79,700.78
Abatements—Pepperell	18,795.07
Abatements—General	185.51
Uncollected November 30, 1940	8,066.14
	\$106,747.50

Polls:

Cash Collections	\$ 6,510.00
Abatements	174.00
Uncollected November 30, 1940	10,830.00
	\$17,514.00
 Total accounted for	 \$691,165.59

SUMMARY

Commitment:	\$691,165.59
Cash Collections	\$574,870.84
Abatements	39,221.73
Uncollected November 30, 1940	77,073.02
	\$691,165.59

Excise Tax

Collected and remitted to treasurer	\$23,711.46
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SCHEDULE OF PRIOR YEARS' TAXES**1939 Taxes**

REAL ESTATE TAXES

Uncollected November 30, 1939	\$62,185.43
Total	\$62,185.43
Cash Collections	\$41,155.42
Tax Liens	20,232.40
Abatements	797.61
	\$62,185.43

PERSONAL TAXES

Uncollected November 30, 1939	\$8,526.13
Supplemental	33.60
	\$8,559.73

Cash Collections	\$4,674.56	
Abatements	412.12	
Uncollected November 30, 1940	3,473.05	
Total		\$8,559.73

POLL TAXES

Uncollected November 30, 1939	\$10,524.00	
Supplemental	417.00	
Total		\$10,941.00

Cash Collections	\$5,868.00	
Abatements	171.00	
Uncollected November 30, 1940	4,902.00	
Total		\$10,941.00

SUMMARY

Uncollected November 30, 1940 :		
Personal	\$3,473.05	
Polls	4,902.00	
Total		\$8,375.05

1938 Taxes

	Personal	Polls
Uncollected November 30, 1939	\$4,145.42	\$5,766.00
Supplemental		27.00
Total	\$4,145.42	\$5,793.00
Cash Collections	\$1,045.65	\$ 480.00
Abatements	133.21	108.00
Uncollected November 30, 1940	2,966.56	5,205.00
Total	\$4,145.42	\$5,793.00

1937 Taxes

Uncollected November 30, 1939	\$2,632.85	\$4,419.00
Supplemental		15.00
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Total	\$2,632.85	\$4,434.00
Cash Collections	\$ 476.21	\$ 144.00
Abatements	8.40	123.00
Uncollected November 30, 1940	2,148.24	4,167.00
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Total	\$2,632.85	\$4,434.00

1936 Taxes

Uncollected November 30, 1939	\$2,506.27	\$4,026.00
Supplemental		3.00
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Total	\$2,506.27	\$4,029.00
Cash Collections	\$ 54.25	\$ 57.00
Abatements	40.80	153.00
Uncollected November 30, 1940	2,411.22	3,819.00
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Total	\$2,506.27	\$4,029.00

1935 Taxes

Uncollected November 30, 1939	\$2,915.18	\$3,759.00
Cash Collections	62.48	45.00
Abatements	14.40	105.00
Uncollected November 30, 1940	2,838.30	3,609.00
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Total	\$2,915.18	\$3,759.00

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

Gentlemen:

We, the Board of Assessors, herewith submit a report of abatement of taxes during the fiscal year ending November 30, 1940, as required by the City Charter.

• For SAUL GAGNE, Collector of Taxes for 1940

Pepperell Mfg. Co., Real Estate	\$18,795.07
Pepperell Mfg. Co., Personal	18,795.07
General Real Estate Abatements	1,272.08
General Personal Abatements	185.51
Poll Tax	174.00
	\$39,221.73

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS H. SIMPSON,

THOMAS F. FLANAGAN,

LINIERE DOYON,

Assessors for the Year 1940.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

November 30, 1940.

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCIL, CITY OF BIDDEFORD, MAINE.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the school laws of Maine, I herewith submit the report of the Department of Education for the municipal year 1940.

All schools under the supervision of this Department, with the exception of the Oak Ridge, District No. 9 school, have been in full operation throughout the year. All school buildings, with this exception, are in very good general condition and are equipped with approved sanitary facilities. A new floor, however, is among the needed repairs at the Mountain Road, District No. 13 school, if this school is to be continued in operation.

Due to the need for major repairs at the Oak Ridge, District No. 9 school, it was thought advisable in June to close this school for the next year, and to transport the pupils to the city schools, beginning with the reopening of schools in September. The parents of these pupils unanimously approved this action and the school was closed. To date the plan has given satisfaction and if it so continues, it is recommended that the school be permanently closed and returned next June to the custody of the City Government for disposition.

During the year items of major repair have been completed in the different schools, including repairs to boilers, stoves, and equipment. Among these items are listed the following:

High School: Replastered ceilings and patched walls in two cloak rooms, old part. Painted these rooms; also side stairway corridor, new part. Repainted piping, radiators, and windows in the gymnasium. Repainted all outside doors, old part. Removed metal bulkheads in boys' showers, both compartments, rehung water piping, and repaired cement floor. Installed metal screening over all windows in drawing and athletic equipment rooms, basement.

Emery School: Removed all handrails on stairways and replaced plates more firmly in order to provide greater safety. Repainted basement playrooms, dressing-rooms, and Manual Training room floors. Patched plaster ceiling in girls' dressing-room.

Washington Street School: Refinished all blackboards.

Birch Street School: Refinished all blackboards, patched ceilings of four closets and repainted walls. Patched ceilings in one classroom and upper hallway. Repainted exterior of building. Renewed metal of roof alleys and capping, painting new material, and renewing slates as needed. Made fire escape door, east side, proof against further weather damage. Replaced old inside window shutters with sight-saving shades throughout the building. Removed flag pole from roof and installed same in a cement and iron base in the school yard as was done in previous years at the High, Emery, and Washington Street schools.

Wentworth Street School: Refinished all blackboards, repaired hand rails and window frames. Replaced inside window shutters with sight-saving shades.

Bradbury Street School: Refinished all blackboards. Replaced all inside window shutters with sight-saving shades. Repainted exterior of building.

RURAL SCHOOLS

District No. 1, Hollis Road: Repapered walls and repainted front exterior of building and fuel shed. Refinished blackboards and whitened ceiling.

District No. 5, Morrill School: Repainted interior, front and two sides of exterior of building. Renewed window shades and window ventilators. Refinished blackboards and whitened ceiling.

District No. 8, Biddeford Pool: Renewed ceiling with celotex, repainted walls, renewed window shades, and repainted front exterior of building. Refinished blackboards. Removed teacher's platform.

District No. 10, Elm Street School: Whitened ceilings, painted entire interior, patching cornices and walls as needed. Painted front and sides of exterior of building.

District No. 11, Newtown School: Renewed window shades, whitened ceiling, and repainted front exterior of building. Refinished blackboards.

District No. 12, Guinea School: Replaced broken shingles and repainted exterior of building. Whitened ceiling.

District No. 13, Mountain Road School: Whitened ceiling, repainted interior and front of exterior of building. Refinished blackboards.

In all rural schools renewed glass and reset window sashes as needed.

Repairs not attempted but again recommended for consideration next year include the following items contained in last year's report, to which attention is invited:

High School: Front and side walks.

Emery School: Retaining wall, smoke piping, and desk tops.

Washington Street School: Radiators for toilets.

Attention is invited to the need in the immediate future of the relaying of the gymnasium floor, high school. Dry-rot has set in at several places in this floor, and in spite of frequent emergency repairs, the condition of the floor is becoming unsafe for the hard usage it endures.

A condition in the new part of the high school building roof over the science laboratories should be carefully examined. Leaks in the ceilings of these rooms still occur, making repatching and repainting useless.

It is again recommended that some new typewriter equipment be furnished in the Commercial Department of the High School. Also, that a fire-proof cabinet for pupils' records be provided. Details for the reasons for these recommendations are contained in last year's report.

The Cumberland County Power & Light Co. has made a survey in recent months of the cooking-room in the Home Economics Department and has offered to donate certain items of apparatus to modernize this Department. This offer is deemed worthy of consideration for acceptance whenever the Board of Education feels that an outlay for the necessary rewiring and the purchase of two new dishwashing sinks would be justified.

The four sewing machines (treadle) in the Home Economics Department have given more than twenty-five years of service; the two electric machines have been in service for twelve years. The time has come when the replacement of at least four of these machines should be considered.

Vocational courses are becoming increasingly important, and equipment should be kept to a high state of efficiency, compatible with the resources of the City.

In the Manual Training Department, the ratchets and bearing sockets of the bench vises have become badly worn after more than twenty-seven years of constant use. Good work on the part of the pupil necessitates the repair of some or all of the twenty-five vises at an early date.

As recommended in last year's report, Lip Reading Service was provided for assistance to pupils with impaired hearing. After careful audiometric tests, thirty-six pupils, twenty-four in the elementary schools and twelve in the High School, were selected for special classes which met once each week during the winter and spring terms for instruction given by Miss Eliza C. Hannegan of Portland, the Eastern Regional President of the National Hard of Hearing Association, and one of the pioneer sponsors of this movement in New England. The services of Miss Hannegan were obtained through the interest and efforts of our School Nurse, Mrs. Pauline B. Landry.

The classes proved so successful, that through the kindness of Miss Hannegan and Superintendent William B. Jack, two of our teachers were permitted to take a special six-weeks' Summer course in Lip Reading instruction being conducted by the Portland School Board. Miss Arline Marcille and Miss Helen Finn, among others, volunteered to take advantage of this opportunity for service. During this current year, these classes have been continued in our schools, each of these teachers having two classes a week in addition to their regular duties. After the results of the audiometric tests, recently given, have been analyzed, additional pupils may be enrolled, necessitating perhaps a larger number of classes for each teacher. The coöperation of these teachers, and that of relieving teachers, and parents is appreciated. It is felt that these pupils, so instructed, will progress more normally in school life, and become better adjusted to overcome their handicap. It is hoped that other teachers will be enrolled in this course next summer.

The plan of bringing in to the city schools the seventh grade (last year) and the eighth grade (last two years) pupils of the rural school districts has greatly benefitted these pupils and increased the efficiency of the school system, and should be continued.

On December 4, 1939, an Adult Evening School was opened by the Board of Education at the Washington Street School, and continued for twenty weeks. Of a total permanent enrollment of eighty-eight, and an average attendance of sixty-eight, certificates were awarded on April 18, 1940, to eighty-six persons, after an inspiring and successful winter session of the school. This school was open to adult residents of Biddeford and stressed instruction in Americanization and in several elementary subjects such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar, and arithmetic. Real progress was shown by these ambitious men and women in all branches studied. A staff of five teachers, under the immediate supervision of Principal James H. Bradbury, were zealous and untiring in their work of instruction. Principal Bradbury's report is appended.

On October 14, 1940, the school was re-opened. Of one hundred and one permanent registrants, there has been, to date, an average attendance of ninety-one, a figure that speaks well for the increasing popularity and need for this school. It is planned to continue the sessions, three nights a week, for twenty weeks.

The Attendance Officer, Mr. Percy C. McKeen, has efficiently performed the duties of his office during the year. He has, in addition to his prescribed duties, assisted the Welfare Department in the matter of providing clothing for children who otherwise could not attend school during the winter months. The coöperation of Mrs. Delvina Mathurin of the Welfare Department is greatly appreciated. Mr. McKeen's report is appended.

Pupils in all schools have shown increasingly satisfactory progress as measured by educational tests and norms.

The teachers, in their respective schools, have performed their instructional duties to satisfaction.

Teachers in service who have reported as having taken summer school courses during the past summer are:

Principal Hugh S. Caldwell, Gorham Normal School.
 Eleanor G. Gowen, Harvard University.
 William R. Johnson, Bates College.
 Arline Marcille, Lip Reading Course.
 Helen M. Finn, Lip Reading Course.
 Elizabeth Morrison, Gorham Normal School.
 Sebina H. Regina, Gorham Normal School.
 Dorothy M. Wildes, Gorham Normal School.
 Francis L. Thompson, Maine School of Commerce.
 Marion G. Hawkes, Lasalle Junior College.
 Howard D. Hurd, Gorham Normal School.

Although not entering service until September, Sylvia Ross attended summer school at Bates College, and James E. Stonier took athletic coaching courses at Hyannis State Teachers' College.

It is encouraging to note this number of teachers doing extra work in order that they may be better fitted and to keep abreast of the changing educational policies and practices. It is felt that even a longer list may be reported another year.

Teachers joining the Biddeford School System in September, 1940, are:

High School—James E. Stonier, Gardiner, Maine, Sub-Master, Science, Mathematics, and Head Coach of Football and Basketball; Douglas S. Driscoll, Fort Fairfield, Maine, Head of Commercial Department, and Assistant Coach of Basketball; Marion Freeman, Biddeford, Maine, Librarian, Social Studies, and English. As cadet teachers, Sylvia Ross and Leslie Thomas of Biddeford were appointed in accordance with this system inaugurated by the Board in September.

The following named teachers left the system at the close of the school year, 1939-40: Mrs. Lillian T. Burnham, Dean of Girls and a teacher here for twenty-three years, retired

after thirty-six years of teaching, in accordance with the provisions of the Maine State Retirement Association and of the Board of Education. Frances L. Mayo, Margaret E. Hood, and J. Borden Miller by resignation; Edwina N. Eldredge, Walter L. Gustafson, and Guy F. Morang. Kenneth S. Marshall, who had been granted sick leave of absence in November, died in Peabody, Mass., on May 6, 1940.

On November 7, 1940, Mrs. Pauline B. Landry, School Nurse for the city's schools for the past eleven years, suddenly passed away. Her death was deeply felt by not only all of us in the school system, associates, teachers, and pupils, but by countless friends, mothers, and children throughout our city. The Board of Education adopted the following Resolutions, realizing, however, that mere words could scarcely express the tribute which would be due her for her invaluable services and worth.

The following resolutions have been adopted by vote of the Board of Education:

"The record of a generous life runs like a vine around the memory of our dead, and every sweet, unselfish act is now a perfumed flower."

MRS. PAULINE B. LANDRY

It was with deep sorrow and with a sense of real personal loss that the members of the Board of Education learned on Thursday evening, November 7, 1940, of the death of Mrs. Pauline B. Landry.

For eleven years the school nurse for the schools of Biddeford and, in addition, the supervisor of the Red Cross Nursing Service, Mrs. Landry was the executive head of the many branches of activities related to her duties in each of these offices. Her endeavors in all forms of humanitarian service were boundless.

An efficient leader in all movements looking to the health, comfort and improvement of conditions of living of the less favored citizens of Biddeford, Mrs. Landry toiled unceasingly in their behalf. Her quiet, sympathetic and helpful nature endeared her to all. For the children of the city, Mrs. Landry was ever tireless in her earnest efforts for their welfare.

With her associates in the schools, Mrs. Landry was fully coöperative in every detail and was a source of inspiration in her devotion to duty and to the youth of our city; every thought and deed showed an unselfishness and a beauty of character which marked her for what she was, a thorough gentlewoman.

We, the members of the Board of Education of Biddeford, Maine, very respectfully adopt the following resolutions:

Resolved: That in the person of Mrs. Pauline B. Landry, we always found a true and trusted friend, and a helpful associate.

Resolved: That we mourn her loss and revere her memory. Her passing leaves a place that will never be filled.

Resolved: That we concur in the action of the superintendent of schools in causing the flags of all school buildings to be displayed at half-staff on Monday, November 11, 1940, the day of the funeral.

Resolved: That we spread these resolutions upon the official records of the board, and forward a copy of them to Mayor Wilfrid Landry as our expression of sympathy in his bereavement.

SUSAN N. PIPER,
JOHN J. DUNN,
LOUIS J. PAINCHAUD,
C. M. CHENEY,

Members.

A. ALTON GARCELON, JR.,

Secretary.

To act as School Nurse until the successor of Mrs. Landry can be elected, Mrs. Dorothy Bourgoïn, R. N., Supervisor of the local Red Cross nursing service, was temporarily appointed.

The usual plan of inoculation for immunization against diphtheria has been followed this year as in the past. Only pupils having parental consent are treated.

Due to the large enrollment in the Sub-primary grade at the Emery School in September, it was found necessary to divide this class and utilize the teachers' room as an additional classroom, temporarily employing a teacher from the substitute list to take charge of this overflow class. The tendency is toward increasingly larger enrollments in this grade at this school, and some plan must be devised to provide another permanent room at this school for this grade. The temporary plan now in force, while not entirely satisfactory, seems to afford the only solution at the present time. Another regular classroom at the Emery School should be provided. This can be done by re-arrangement to utilize the now vacant classroom at the Birch Street School.

With the idea of consolidation, the seventh grade at the Birch Street School was transferred to the Washington Street School, making two classes of this grade at the latter school.

The High School Course of Study was revised for the year 1940-41 to eliminate the study of Spanish and to increase the number of classes in French. A class in Vocational Guidance was introduced for students in the Senior year, designed to survey and study the field of occupations in the world today with a view to some definite line of work upon graduation. It is intended to increase the value of this course by making this class a "clearing house" for all students seeking information and employment, with a live filing system whereby recommendations can be made to prospective employers who may be desirous of using, where possible, the graduates of our schools. Whereas their duty is to provide education,

members of the Board have expressed themselves as having a definite continuing obligation to the products of its school.

In September, the Board of Education engaged the services of Prof. W. L. Rinehart, of the staff of Boston University and Fitchburg Teachers' College, to introduce into the Biddeford schools, the Rinehart Functional Handwriting System, a system already in vogue in many large school systems in Massachusetts and other neighboring states. This plan includes the field services of four assistants, and the inspectional and grading services of the office force at headquarters in Cambridge, Mass. This handwriting system has the endorsement of the State Department of Education at Augusta. Biddeford is fortunate to be the first city in Maine to adopt this plan. Already progress has been made, due to the full coöperation of teachers and pupils. Instruction is being given in all grades, except the Sub-primary, and in all classes of the High School.

There is submitted herewith the financial statement of this department for the fiscal year, December 1, 1939, to November 30, 1940, with all obligations met.

It is generally recognized that the ultimate object of schools is to teach children to grow up in the American way of life. All instruction should be motivated to the end that they can be able to develop themselves to be worthy citizens of a worthy Democracy. By precept and example your teachers are bending every effort to this goal and they bespeak the coöperation and assistance of every parent and friend of youth.

May I take this occasion to express my appreciation for the many courtesies extended to me and the splendid coöperation shown this Department by the municipal officers of the City of Biddeford.

To the members of the Board of Education, I wish to express my thanks for their continued assistance as evidenced by their understanding efforts for the progressive education of the youth of our City.

Respectfully submitted,

A. ALTON GARCELON, JR.,
Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL OF EVENING SCHOOL

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, VIA THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

After a period of ten years, during which time there was no session of the Evening School held in the city, it again becomes my pleasant duty as Principal of the school to submit to you the following report for the year of 1939-1940.

As you are aware, our school opened Monday evening, December 4, 1939, with 71 present and continued for 20 weeks, 3 sessions each week, making a total of 60 sessions—no time lost for holidays or stormy evenings.

Instruction has been given each evening in Elementary subjects; Reading, Spelling, Writing and Arithmetic. That considerable progress has been made along these lines is demonstrated from the fact, that whereas at the commencement of the school, many of them could not read or write a word of English, and at the close, could read quite intelligently the *Biddeford Journal*, 25 copies of which has been given to us free each week, and could write a very nice letter, which has already been shown to you.

We have endeavored to make a specialty of Americanization and whereas each teacher has tried to interest the pupils in this very important matter, Mr. Paul Bolduc and Mr. Wilfred Fortier of the Evening School Faculty have especially had this matter in hand. Mr. J. C. Bolduc, who is very much interested in this subject has addressed the school several times.

The largest number present any one evening was 88 and the smallest 59, with an average attendance of 68.

The school enjoyed two very pleasant evenings, one on February 17th, the birth anniversary of Benjamin Franklin, when we listened to a very fine address by Mr. George Bridgman, a subject in which he is very much interested; also an address by Superintendent Garcelon.

The other occasion on February 23rd, when we celebrated the anniversaries of the births of Abraham Lincoln and George Washington, quite a number of citizens were present, including the Hon. Mayor Wilfrid Landry, Mrs. Susan N. Piper of the Board of Education, and Supt. Garcelon, all of whom addressed the school. On both occasions we listened to a very fine entertainment given by the pupils of Principal Emma Lausier Pugsley's school.

On January 3, 1940, we had a visit from Mr. S. E. Patrick of the State Board of Education, who gave us much valuable advice, and his approval of the work being done.

Our school closed April 18, 1940, on which occasion appropriate exercises were given by the pupils of the Evening School on the subject of Americanization. Several of the pupils were cited as not being absent a single evening. At this session diplomas were presented to 86 of the pupils. We had as guests this evening, Mayor Landry, Judge Lausier, Hon. J. C. Bolduc, and Supt. Garcelon, who addressed the school and whose remarks were very encouraging to the pupils.

I could not close this report without thanking the teachers for the loyalty and support they have given me throughout the year. In no instance has any teacher been absent a single night.

Now, Mr. Superintendent, I wish to thank you for the courtesy and coöperation given me throughout the year also through you to the School Board for making all these things possible.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. BRADBURY, *Principal.*

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE OFFICER

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL, BIDDEFORD,
MAINE:

I hereby submit my report for the school year 1939-1940,
ending June 14, 1940.

	Cases Investigated	* Shoes, Clothing	Truancy
Emery School	96	11	8
Washington School	145	21	15
Rural and other schools	29	25	
St. Louis	92	6	5
St. Andre	156	89	8
Sacred Heart	21	6	7
St. Joseph	105	42	2
St. Mary		1	
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Summary	644	201	45
Total number of cases			890
Conviction for Truancy			2
Served First Papers on Parents			4

Respectfully submitted,

PERCY C. McKEEN,
Attendance Officer.

* Provided through Welfare Dept.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Year Ending November 30, 1940

	Debits		Credits			Summary		Balance Sheet		
	Entry Debit	Charges	Total Debits	Entry Credit	Appropriation	Total Credits	Over-drawn Dr.	Unexpended Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
Teachers' Salaries		\$ 61,575.92	\$ 61,575.92	\$ 289.13	\$ 47,000.00	\$ 14,286.79	\$ 61,575.92			
Janitor Service		8,158.01	8,158.01		8,120.00	38.01	8,158.01			
Transportation		11,712.52	11,712.52		10,250.00	1,424.33	11,674.33		\$	38.19
Fuel		6,488.28	6,488.28		6,235.00	253.28	6,488.28			
Textbooks		1,986.10	1,986.10		2,000.00		2,000.00		\$	13.90
Reference & Library Books		471.94	471.94		500.00		500.00			28.06
Supplies		3,382.91	3,382.91		2,566.00	816.91	3,382.91			
Repairs		4,046.45	4,046.45		2,000.00		2,000.00	\$2,046.45		
Superintendence	\$1,200.00	3,800.00	5,000.00		2,600.00	1,200.00	3,800.00			1,200.00
Census		256.80	256.80		300.00		300.00			43.20
Medical Inspection		213.48	213.48		450.00		450.00			236.52
Apparatus & Equipment		523.94	523.94		150.00	5.00	155.00	368.94		
Physical Education	1,116.63	3,242.11	4,358.74		2,115.00	1,120.00	3,235.00			1,123.74
Insurance		1,444.19	1,444.19		1,314.00	15.08	1,329.08	115.11		
Manual Training	550.69	1,276.51	1,827.20		800.00	685.98	1,485.98			341.22
Home Economics	465.89	1,228.34	1,694.23		700.00	586.66	1,286.66			407.57
Office Expense		150.00	150.00		150.00		150.00			
Miscellaneous		99.65	99.65		100.00		100.00			.35
Flags		74.43	74.43		75.00		75.00			.57
Evening School		1,375.14	1,375.14		550.00		550.00			825.14
Vocational	\$3,333.21	\$111,506.72	\$114,839.93	\$289.13	\$87,975.00	\$20,432.04	\$108,696.17	\$2,530.50	\$322.60	\$3,935.86
		\$20,884.13	\$20,884.13		\$5.00	\$20,884.13	\$20,889.13		\$5.00	

SCHOOL REGISTRATION November 30, 1940

Grades	Emery	Washington	Birch	Wentworth	Bradbury	Elm St. No. 10	District No. 1	District No. 13	District No. 5	District No. 8	District No. 11	District No. 12	High	Totals
Sub-Primary	45	15		19	24	2	3	2	7	2	2	6		127
I	30	9		14	14	7	4	2	6	2	1	4		93
II	39	8		5	15	7	1	3	4	3	2	9		96
III	39	21	23			6	2	2	2	3	3	5		106
IV	34	31	16			10	1	5		4	1	7		109
V	41	34	21			5	1	6	1	2	2	3		116
VI	37	29	22			14	3			3	2			110
VIIA	40													40
VIIIB		31												31
VIIIC		31												31
VIIIA	38													38
VIIIB	35													35
VIIIC	37													37
Freshmen													122	122
Sophomores													120	120
Juniors													111	111
Seniors													87	87
Post-Graduates													1	1
Totals	415	209	82	38	53	51	15	20	20	19	13	34	443	1,410

School Calendar, 1940-1941

FALL TERM (15 weeks) :

Schools open September 9th and 10th.

Resume Standard Time last Monday in September.

Holidays:

York County Teachers' Convention, Monday, October 7th.

State Teachers' Convention, Thursday-Friday, October 24th-25th.

Thanksgiving Recess, Thursday-Friday, November 28th-29th.

Armistice Day, Monday, November 11th.

Schools close Friday, December 20th.

Vacation, one week.

WINTER TERM, First Half (8 weeks) :

Schools open Monday, December 30th.

Holiday:

New Year's, Wednesday, January 1st.

Schools close Friday, February 21st.

Vacation, one week.

WINTER TERM, Second Half (7 weeks) :

Schools open Monday, March 3rd.

Schools close Friday, April 18th.

Vacation, one week.

SPRING TERM (7 weeks) :

Schools open Monday, April 28th.

Operate on Daylight Saving Time last Monday in April.

Holiday:

Memorial Day, Friday, May 30th.

Schools close Friday, June 13th.

Total school weeks, 37.

Commencement Week, June 16th-20th.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE McARTHUR LIBRARY ASSOCIATION :

The year has been one of steady activity and growth. The number of registered borrowers now exceeds 6,100, of whom 1,500 are in the important age-group of 5 to 15 years and patrons of our Junior department. This Junior registration, incidentally, has exactly doubled in the last three years and it indicates a very wholesome trend. More than ever before we now realize that the foundations of democracy, of faith and belief in the American way of life, rest heavily upon the influences affecting the impressionable years of childhood and early youth. And the more our oncoming generations of citizens are brought in contact with, and impressed by, the sound influence of the library and its books the better the assurance of a sound future for American democracy in our community.

The library's stock of books was increased during the year by 1,288 volumes of which 55 were gifts, 45 were new editions of essential encyclopedias, and 289 were juveniles. In addition 353 more books were attractively rebound and given longer life. At first glance these may seem large figures, but they are really very moderate. A public library, to best serve its community, must continually keep its books abreast of the times and the interests of the people. This task of up-to-dateness is today more vital than at any other time in the library's 77-year history. The condition of world affairs, the problems of national defense, the new interest in the origins of our republic, in the lives of our historic figures, and in the contrasts between American living and European living—all these have brought about a strong craving for books that deal with such subjects from a present-day

viewpoint. In recognition of the real importance of this craving we have added this year some 70 volumes of carefully chosen biography, chiefly American, and more than 200 volumes of history, travel, social and economic interpretation of world events. More than that, of the 405 volumes of fiction added, a goodly proportion were inspiring and authentically-based stories of American history and American life.

These increases, and modernizations, represent a real advance. The great need is that this advance be continued, and on a somewhat larger scale. Counting the 1,288 new books and the 353 rebindings, the total for the year still represents barely one-quarter of a book per registered borrower.

Financial Report Is As Follows:

RECEIPTS

From City of Biddeford	\$4,750.00
From State of Maine	180.00
	—————\$4,930.00

EXPENDITURES

Books	\$1,041.23
Magazines	114.70
Newspapers	48.00
Binding	214.58
Light	321.85
Salaries	3,047.68
Supplies	108.00
Telephone	33.96
	—————\$4,930.00

Librarian's Petty Cash Account

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, November 30, 1939	\$ 37.39	
Fines collected	259.27	
For lost or damaged books	8.35	
Deposits by non-residents	49.45	
Service charges—non-residents	17.75	
Miscellaneous	10.14	
		\$382.35

EXPENDITURES

Books, magazines, newspapers	\$176.36	
Exhibits	6.25	
Postage	25.35	
Express	4.22	
Supplies	70.06	
Deposits refunded	33.55	
Repairs	17.95	
Miscellaneous	20.72	
Cash on hand, November 30, 1940	27.89	
		\$382.35

Submitted,

DANE YORKE,
Librarian.

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS:

Gentlemen:

The annual report for the year ending November 30, 1940, is submitted to you in accordance with the City Charter. Herein will be found a statement and summary of the activities of the police department this year.

The Police Force consists of a Chief, Captain, one day desk officer, one night turnkey, one night traffic officer, nine patrolmen, three during the day and six at night, six special police officers for Sunday work, parks, dances, circuses, etc.

The police force covers an area of twenty-five square miles and attends to the safety of twenty thousand inhabitants, also attends to traffic duty, which has been increasing for years.

The appropriation by the City Council for the year ending November 30, 1940, was	\$22,000.00
Credits from the County of York	2,003.33
Miscellaneous credits	69.05
Total appropriation	\$24,072.38

The expenditures for the Police Department from December 1, 1939, to November 30, 1940, are as follows:

Salaries	\$20,433.58
Gas and Oil	396.75
Supplies	35.90
Telephone and Telegraph	990.32
Lights	70.80
Garage and Taxi Service	165.70

Repair on Equipment	88.23
New Equipment, including trading of car	449.48
Miscellaneous	136.13
Ice	60.00
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Total Expenditures	\$22,826.89
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Balance Unexpended	\$1,245.49

Number and Nature of Cases Prosecuted in the Municipal Court

Assault and Battery	25
Assault Upon an Officer	1
Assault	4
Robbery	1
Adultery	2
Speeding	10
Drunken Driving	25
Drunken Driving (second offence)	1
Improper Registration	8
Tramp	1
Driving without a License	18
Non-Support	4
Intoxication	156
Juvenile Delinquencies	10
Intoxication and Disturbing the Peace	8
Possession of Gambling Machines	2
Larceny	14
Uttering a Bank Check	2
Indecent Liberties with a Minor	5
Neglect of Children	2
Idle and Disorderly Persons	2
Desertion of Minor Children	2

Indecent Exposure	1
Affray	1
Leaving the Scene of an Accident	5
Malicious Mischief	2
Obtaining City Property under False Pretense	1
Forgery	1
Vagrancy	2
Traffic Violation	2
Breaking, Entering and Larceny in the Daytime	6
Breaking, Entering and Larceny in the Nighttime	11
Trapping in Closed Season	1
Taking a Car without the Consent of the Owner	5
Larceny of an Automobile	1
Embezzlement	2
Avoiding Railroad Fare	1
Printing and Selling Indecent Pictures	1
Printing Indecent Literatures	1
Assault with Attempt to Ravish	1
Rape	1
Lascivious in Speech and Behavior	2
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Total Number of Arrests and Prosecutions	351

Other Cases and Emergencies Taken Care of by the Police Department

Lodgers Taken Care of at Police Station	742
Funerals Escorted by Officers	202
Store Doors Left Unlocked at Night	286
Store Windows Left Unlocked at Night	61
Local Stolen Cars	21
Local Stolen Cars Recovered	21
Out-of-Town Cars Reported Stolen	27
Out-of-Town Cars Recovered	4
Stolen Bicycles Reported	10
Stolen Bicycles Recovered	9
Lights Left Burning at Night in Stores and Offices	50

Police Car Escorting Red Cross Nurse and Doctor	19
Sick Persons Taken to Hospital by Police Car	10
Maternity Cases Taken to Hospital at Night by Police Car	5
Merchandise Left Outside and Taken to Station by the Cruising Car	106
Insane Cases	4
Gasoline Pumps Found Unlocked at Night	8
Breaks Reported to Police	82
Breaks Cleared by Arrest	79
Persons Reported Missing	31
Persons Apprehended for Other Departments	8
Children Returned Home from Out of Town	5
Calls Made to Notify Relatives of Sickness or Death	20
Sudden Deaths on the Streets	4
Drownings	3
Person Found Dead by Asphyxiation	1
Accidental Death	1
Automobile Accidents from December 1, 1939, to November 30, 1940, Reported to the Station	634
Injured Persons Taken to Hospital by Officers	50
Injured Persons Taken to Doctor's Office by Officers	18
Injured Persons Taken Home by Officers	5
Death Caused by Automobile Accidents	3
Total	2,529

The Department has returned to the Citizens of Biddeford and others, upon their own valuation, property either stolen or lost valued at \$19,315.87 for which receipt was taken.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the good work done by the Captain and Police Officers throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

RODOLPHE VANASSE,
Chief of Police.

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIDDEFORD:

Gentlemen:

In compliance with the City Charter, I herewith submit the Annual Report of the Fire Department, from December 1, 1939, to November 30, 1940.

Organization

Engine Co. No. 1, Engine Co. No. 2, Ladder Co. No. 1, Hose Co. No. 2.

Permanent Force

Chief engineer, 1st assistant engineer, 2nd assistant engineer, 1 lieutenant, 2 enginemen assigned to Engine No. 1 and Engine No. 2, 1 relief engineman, 1 chauffeur, 1 tillerman assigned to Ladder No. 1, 1 chauffeur for Hose No. 2, 1 reliefman for Hose No. 2, 3 hosemen assigned to Hose No. 2.

Call Force

3 captains assigned to Engine No. 1, Engine No. 2, and Ladder No. 1.

3 company clerks.

21 hosemen assigned to Engine No. 1 and Engine No. 2.

10 laddermen assigned to Ladder No. 1.

1 steam engineer assigned to Engine No. 3.

Apparatus

The equipment of the Fire Department November 30, 1940, consisted of motor apparatus as follows:

Engine No. 1, Ahrens-Fox, 750 gallons per minute, booster hose and pumper.

Engine No. 2, Ahrens-Fox, 1,000 gallons per minute, booster hose and pumper.

Ladder No. 1, Ahrens-Fox, 75-foot Aerial Ladder Truck with the following equipment: 347 feet ladder, ladder pipe used as water tower, 1 inhalator and equipment, 1 life net (rope), and 1 army stretcher.

1 Hose Truck, combination Hose No. 2, hose and booster (Chevrolet).

1 Hose Truck, Hose No. 1, hose and deck gun (GMC).

1 Steam Engine, No. 3, 700 gallons per minute capacity, drawn by Hose No. 2.

1 Portable Forest Pump, capacity 100 gallons per minute.

1 Portable Forest Pump, capacity 85 gallons per minute.

Hose

There are 600 feet of 1-inch rubber hose, distributed as follows: Engine No. 1, 200 feet of booster; Engine No. 2, 2,000 feet of booster hose; Hose Truck No. 2, 200 feet of booster hose. In reserve 200 feet of $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch booster hose.

There is on hand at the fire headquarters at the present time the amount 9,500 feet of $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch rubber line double jacket fire hose, 2,800 feet of $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch rubber line double jacket fire hose for forest fire work.

The amount of fire hose distributed outside city limits is as follows: City Homestead, 500 feet of $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch hose; Biddeford Pool fire station, 500 feet of $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch hose; corner of Pool and Guinea Road (George Piper's Garage), 500 feet.

Chemicals (Pony Tanks)

There are 12 3-gallon pony tanks distributed on the fire apparatus as follows:

Engine No. 1, 1 soda and acid type, 2 foam types, 1 CO² type extinguisher, and 1 Pyrene extinguisher.

Engine No. 2, 1 soda and acid type, 1 foam type and 1 Pyrene.

Ladder No. 1, 2 soda and acid type, 1 Pyrene.

In reserve, 5 soda and acid types.

Wiring

Replaced on the various fire alarm circuits 1 mile of old iron wire with copper-insulated wire, sizes Nos. 10 and 14. Also the removal and replacement of a portion of the fire alarm circuit from one side of Washington Street to the opposite side of this street. This was due to the Telephone Company removing their poles on this street, which brought about the construction of a new cable for the fire alarm circuits leading into Fire Alarm Headquarters.

Fire Alarm System

The Fire Alarm System at present is in good working order.

Equipment Bought

1,000 feet of 2½-inch double jacketed hose.

1,000 feet of No. 14 copper wire for the fire alarm system.

2 miles of No. 10 copper wire for the fire alarm system.

1 storage battery for Engine No. 1.

1 storage battery for Ladder No. 1.

2 M. S. A. all service gas masks.

4 tarpaulins for the fire trucks.

1 tire for Hose No. 2.

1 hose bridge.

1 3-outlet siamese connection for 1½-inch hose.

1 1½-inch bottoming die and tap for cutting thread on 1½-inch couplings.

Improvements Within the Fire Station

The dormitory floor, which includes the Chief's office, battery room, shower room, lavatory, a spare room which was reconverted into a library, including the dormitory hall, bed rooms, was repainted this year. All ceilings and walls were repainted, doors and door frames were varnished stained. All cot-bed frames were likewise repainted. The library was painted out with a very unique pattern. Chairs were constructed by the men in the station in the department work shop.

The hay-loft, an eyesore for years, was finally converted into a general meeting room. The ceiling and walls finished out in two-toned weather board, with appropriate sheathing towards the floor. The floor laid with hardwood, highly polished. Towards the north end, a partition was constructed, with suitable arrangements, and a kitchen erected with gas and electric ranges, dish closets and benches. To the south end of this meeting room, a stage and suitable drop curtains were constructed and to the rear of this stage, ample room for storage.

On the apparatus floor, enlargement of the storage room was necessary, also the rearrangement of the work shop. The ceiling and a portion of the walls were sheathed. This work of painting out and the construction of the new meeting hall and all other work included, was done by the permanent force of the fire department. The fire station today is complete from end to end, and it represents many months of labor for improvements, with no cost to the City for labor.

Expenditures, Credits and Appropriation

Salaries	\$23,725.67
Gas, light and power	283.67
Telephone	153.26
Water	56.56

Gasoline, grease and oil	230.10
Coal supplies, fire station	704.77
Office supplies	11.20
Fire alarm system	338.69
Equipment	1,486.45
Truck repairs	207.49
Building repairs	570.24
Painting inside of station	191.52
Janitor supplies	389.80
U. S. Post Office, freight and express	24.46
Insurance	588.90
Repairs on equipment	34.84
Painting on equipment	4.60
General supplies	254.13
Lunch for men fighting fire	8.70
Ice supplies, fire station	18.00
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Total	\$29,283.05
Appropriation	\$28,900.00
Credits:	
North Kennebunkport	100.00
Sale of Pyrene fluid	21.18
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Total balance	\$29,021.18
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Overdraft	\$261.87

**Work of the Fire Department from December 1, 1939,
to November 30, 1940**

Fire Department responded to a total of 452 calls during the year. Of these:

Telephone alarms	318
Box alarms	37
Still and verbal	21
Automatic sprinkler	3

False alarms	1
Call for inhalator	3
Special calls, such as to unlocked doors, open windows, take down cats from trees, put rope on flagpole	69
Send aid to the following:	
North Kennebunkport	13
Town of Lyman	1
Cover-up fire station, Saco	5
Number of hose lines laid at fires	40
Number of feet of 2½-inch hose laid at fires	19,250
Number of feet of 1½-inch hose laid at fires	3,050
Number of feet of ladder raised at fires	3,002
Number of hours engine work at fires	17½
Number of hours forest pump work at fires	6½
Number of pony tanks used at fires	3
Number of fire-foam used at gasoline and grease fires	7
Number of times Pyrene used at gasoline and grease fires	15
Number of times booster used at fires	245
Number of times used forest pump	4

Fire Loss in City of Biddeford

VALUATION

Value of Buildings	\$330,957.00
Value of Contents	99,382.47
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Total Value on both	\$430,339.47

INSURANCE

Insurance on Buildings	\$245,325.00
Insurance on Contents	64,347.48
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Total Insurance on both	\$309,672.48

INSURANCE LOSSES

Insurance Loss on Buildings	\$18,696.88
Insurance Loss on Contents	7,183.54

Total Insurance on both

\$25,880.42

LOSSES INSURED AND UNINSURED

Loss on Buildings	\$22,315.63
Loss on Contents	10,702.00

Total Losses on both in City and out-
side limits

\$33,017.63

Fire Outside City Limits

Value of Buildings	\$31,932.00
Value of Contents	9,309.00

Total on both

\$41,241.00

Insurance on Buildings	\$24,500.00
Insurance on Contents	3,300.00

Total on both

\$27,800.00

Insurance Loss on Buildings	\$3,920.43
Insurance Loss on Contents	1,081.74

Total on both

\$5,002.14

Losses Insured and Uninsured on Buildings	\$5,200.00
Losses Insured and Uninsured on Contents ...	3,581.74

Total on both

\$8,781.74

Total Fire Loss in City and outside City	\$33,017.63
Fire Loss outside City Limits	8,781.74

Fire Losses in City proper

\$24,235.89

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK CANTARA,
Acting Chief.

WELFARE DEPARTMENT

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY
COUNCIL:

I respectfully submit the following annual report of the expenditures of the Welfare Department for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1940. The following is an itemized statement of what was spent for the City.

Groceries	\$40,960.59	
Oil	7,143.95	
Wood purchased	5,267.25	
Delivering and sawing wood	1,091.60	
Shoes and Clothing	808.19	
Doctor and Medicines	2,174.55	
Hospital	1,132.20	
Ambulance and Burials	640.00	
Board and Care	3,971.15	
Monthly Allowance	2,032.59	
Housekeeper	13.00	
Rents	3,239.86	
Telephone	137.75	
State Children	6,288.83	
Sanitorium	1,048.57	
Office Supplies and Miscellaneous	373.72	
Clerks and Investigator	3,766.73	
Biddeford, Out-of-Town	2,209.47	
Expense for Surplus Commodity	488.13	
Total		\$82,788.13
Total expenses, Out-of-Town		2,060.78
Total expenses, State		4,135.06
Total expenses		\$88,983.97

Appropriation	\$65,000.00	
Credits	5,870.19	
		\$70,870.19
Expenditures		88,983.97
		\$18,113.78
Overdraft		

Aid to Dependent Children

Appropriation	\$5,200.00	
Expenditures	4,841.66	
		\$358.34
Balance		

Insane

Appropriation		\$500.00
Commitment	\$126.20	
Board for patients at State Hospital	517.19	
		\$643.39
Expenditures		500.00
Appropriation		
		\$143.39
Overdraft		

Dress Factory

Clothing received from dress factory for the year 1940:

Amount of articles on hand, December 1, 1940	1,717
Articles received during the year 1940	7,278
	8,995
Total	8,995

Gave the following articles to those in need:

Dresses	1,231
Bloomers and panties	568
Slips	680
Play suits	86

Frocks	19
Shirts	1,186
Pants	1,068
Mittens	64
Shorts	111
Jackets	276
Dungarees	390
Snow suits	82
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Total	5,761
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	3,234 articles

Respectfully submitted,

DELVINA MATHURIN, *Clerk,*
Overseers of the Poor.

THE HOMESTEAD

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

I respectfully submit the following report for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1940:

Products Raised at the Homestead

Potatoes	278 bu.	Beets	72 bu.
String Beans	35 bu.	Cucumbers	63 bu.
Kidney and White Beans	32 bu.	Corn	550 doz.
Tomatoes	41 bu.	Cabbages	611 lbs.
Turnips	55 bu.	Hay	45 tons
Carrots	60 bu.		

Stock at Homestead, November, 30 1940

3 Horses	2 Heifers (one 21 mos. old)
6 Hogs	1 Calf (one 20 mos. old)
6 Cows	150 Hens

Number of Inmates at Homestead

December, 1939	38	June, 1940	32
January, 1940	40	July, 1940	32
February, 1940	34	August, 1940	33
March, 1940	34	September, 1940	35
April, 1940	34	October, 1940	35
May, 1940	33	November, 1940	36

Farm Implements

1 Sulky Plow	1 Mowing Machine
1 Manure Spreader	1 Single Harness
1 Spring Harrow	1 Double Harness
1 Corn Planter	1 Double Working Sled
2 Horse Rakes	1 Double Working Wagon
1 Double Hayrack	1 Dump Wagon
1 Single Hayrack	2 Cultivators
2 Hitching Falls	1 Weeder
1 Platform Scale	1 Horse Hoe
2 Horses' Hoes	1 Disk Harrow
1 Market Wagon	1 Work Rack

Furniture at Homestead

35 Beds	1 Ice Chest
75 Chairs	1 Barber Chair
1 Clock	1 Set of Dishes
1 Electric Washer	6 Tables
2 Kitchen Stoves	1 Electric Refrigerator

Products on Hand, November 30, 1940

Potatoes224 bu.	Beets 60 bu.
Kidney and White Beans 30 bu.	Cucumbers (salted and pickled) 45 bu.
Turnips 40 bu.	Cabbages105 lbs.
Carrots 28 bu.	Hay 38 tons

Monthly Expenditures

December, 1939	\$581.88
January, 1940	544.17
February, 1940	622.99
March, 1940	526.23
April, 1940	536.65
May, 1940	587.45
June, 1940	582.11
July, 1940	463.62
August, 1940	555.20
September, 1940	471.24
October, 1940	526.47
November, 1940	567.00
	—————\$6,563.81

DISTRIBUTED AS FOLLOWS:

Telephone	\$ 40.46
Barber	110.60
Salaries	900.00
Disinfectant	158.50
Funeral	100.00
Repair of Shoes	9.45
Gas	86.96
Water	105.00
Electric Lights	237.69
Planting	107.97
Stock	63.00
Insurance (Barn and House)	88.40
Truck Maintenance	9.95
House Supplies	197.94
Barn Supplies	77.80
General Repair	88.64
Farm Implement	40.06
Feeds	825.57
Tobacco	266.12
Doctor Care and Medicine	241.88
Clothing	187.24
Range Oil	59.80
Coal	569.50
Groceries	1,452.16
Bread	539.12
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Total	\$6,563.81

Income

Appropriation	\$6,000.00
Farm Produce	134.15
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Total	\$6,134.15
Total Expenditures	6,563.81
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Overdraft	\$429.66

I have delivered 5,235 quarts of milk to families receiving aid from the Welfare Department from November 30, 1939 to the end of the fiscal year.

During the year the following necessary repairs and improvements were made: Repair of the kitchen roof and stock room, painting and repairing all windows, screens and doors on all the buildings, repairing all farm implements, so they are now in good condition.

I wish, at this time, to thank the Honorable Mayor and members of the City Council for the coöperation given me during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

ANTOINE A. PETIT,
Supt. of the Homestead.

REPORT OF STREET DEPARTMENT

District No. 4

HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

In accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City, I report herewith the activities of the Street Department for the fiscal year 1940.

The following streets and roads were graded with Motor Grader:

Extension of Granite Street, Paul Street, Raymond Street, Congress Street, Westland Avenue, Forest Street, Dearborn Avenue, Quimby Street, Cole Road, Buzzell Road, River Road, Mountain Road, Newtown Road, Guinea Road, Proctor Road, Granite Point Road, Elizabeth Road.

The following streets were graveled, graded and rolled:

West Cutts Street, Extension of Bradbury Street, Chadwick Place, Prospect Street, Harrison Avenue, Harding Street, Clarendon Street, Fall Street, Hill Street, Forest Street, White Wharf Street, Tibbetts Avenue, Mitchell Lane, Quimby Street, Clark Avenue.

Round Hill Street—Constructed ditch, three hundred feet.

Newtown Road—Constructed ditch, seven hundred feet.

Reopened storm sewer from Granite Street to West Street.

Union Street—Reset curbing, three hundred feet.

Jefferson Street—Reset curbing, four hundred feet. This curbing was set back two feet thereby widening Jefferson Street.

Acorn Street—New curbing, one hundred and fifty feet.

Pike Street—New curbing, fifty feet.

Bushes cut on every road in outlying district.

Ledge removed on Extension, Bradbury Street.

Ledge removed on Clark Avenue.

Three hundred feet gravel road construction, River Road.

Two hundred feet, gravel road construction, Proctor Road.

Improvements on these two roads were started three years ago and continued every year with the aid of State Highway funds.

Pine Street—One hundred and fifty feet of asphalt sidewalks.

Hooper Street—One thousand two hundred feet of asphalt sidewalks.

Union Street—Sixty feet of asphalt sidewalk.

Acorn Street—One hundred and fifty feet of asphalt sidewalk.

School Street—Two hundred and fifty feet of asphalt sidewalk.

Pool Street—Two hundred feet of asphalt sidewalk.

Pike Street—Fifty feet of asphalt sidewalk.

Jefferson Street—Four hundred feet of asphalt sidewalk.

Resurfacing

The following streets were treated with two applications of tar:

Spruce Street—Four hundred feet.

Belmont Street—Six hundred feet.

West Cutts Street—Three hundred feet.

Bradbury Extension—Five hundred feet.

Mason Street—Five hundred feet.

May Street—One mile.

Alfred Road—Two thousand feet to City line.

Chadwick Place—Three hundred feet.

Prospect Street—One thousand three hundred feet.

Harrison Avenue—Eight hundred feet.

Harding Street—One thousand one hundred feet.

Clarendon Street—Eight hundred feet.

Fall Street—Two hundred feet.

Hill Street—One thousand four hundred feet.

Forest Street—One thousand feet.

Cottage Street—Three hundred feet.

Vine Street—Two hundred feet.

White Wharf—Three hundred feet.

Tibbetts Avenue—Five hundred feet.

Mitchell Lane—Two hundred.

Biddeford Pool—Four thousand gallons.

River Road—Five thousand gallons.

Seventy thousand seven hundred and fifty gallons of tar were applied on these streets.

Seven thousand nine hundred and eighty gallons of cold patch were used.

Sewers and Drains

SEWER CONSTRUCTION

Roberts Street—Four hundred feet of eight-inch pipe.

Union Street—Seventy-five feet of twelve-inch pipe to replace stone culvert.

Clarendon Street—Three hundred feet of eight-inch pipe.

West Street—One hundred and fifty feet of twelve-inch pipe.

Corner West Street and Granite Street—Forty feet of six-inch pipe.

Acorn Street—Three hundred feet of eight-inch pipe.

Pike Street—Three hundred feet of eight-inch pipe.

Dearborn Avenue—Two hundred feet of eight-inch pipe, under construction.

Sewers and Drains

NEW AND REBUILT POCKETS AND MANHOLES

One sewer pocket on Walnut Street.

One sewer pocket on St. Mary's Street.

One sewer pocket on Upper Main Street.

One sewer pocket on corner Main Street and Mt. Pleasant Street.

Five sewer pockets on Western Avenue.

Two sewer pockets on Mason Street and one manhole.

One sewer pocket corner May Street and Taylor Street.

One sewer pocket on Orchard Street.

Two sewer pockets on Foss Street.
 Three sewer pockets on Alfred Street.
 One sewer pocket on Prospect Street.
 Two sewer pockets on Harrison Avenue.
 One sewer pocket on Dupont Street.
 One sewer pocket on Clarendon Street.
 Six sewer pockets on Hill Street.
 One sewer pocket on Congress Street.
 One sewer pocket on Pool Street.
 One sewer pocket on Granite Street.
 One sewer pocket corner Hill and Main Streets.
 One sewer pocket corner Bacon Street and Pierson Lane.
 One sewer pocket corner Water Street and White Wharf.
 One sewer pocket on High Street.
 One sewer pocket on Lafayette Street.
 One sewer pocket on Foss Street, rebuilt.
 Two sewer pockets on Alfred Street, rebuilt.
 One sewer pocket on School Street, rebuilt.
 Two sewer pockets on Water Street, rebuilt.
 One manhole on Union Street.
 One manhole on Birch Street.
 One manhole corner Pike and Acorn Streets.
 One manhole on Mason Street.

Bridges

Repairs on Newtown Road bridge, floor timbers renewed.
 Goodwin Mills Road bridge, new stringers and floor timbers renewed.

Equipment at City Garage, November 30, 1940

Walter Truck, Reo Truck, Dodge Truck, out of order,
 Mack Truck, out of order, 1940 Chevrolet pickup Truck, 3
 Cletrac Tractors, Adams Motor Grader, 2 Sand Spreaders,
 3 Sargent V Plows, 3 Sargent Blades, 1 Chicago Pneumatic
 Air Compressor, 1 Jack Hammer, 1 Stone Crusher, 1 Cement
 Mixer, new, 2 Drawn Road Machines (Rural districts), 1

Steam Roller, out of order, 1 Gasoline Roller, 1 Gasoline Water Pump, with hose, 1 Hand Water Pump, 1 Portable Tar Kettle, three hundred feet, 3-inch hose, 1 Nozzle, 1 Battery Charger, 1 Set Steel Crawlers for Motor Grader, 5 sets Tire Chains, 1 Flexible Sewer Tape, 1 100-foot Steel Sewer Rod, 1 5-ton Chain Fall, 1 2-ton Chain Fall, 1 Holyoke Blade.

Machine Shop

Motor for 7 pieces of machinery with shaft pulleys and belts, 1 Blacksmith Blower, 1 Anvil, 1 Saw Bench with Motor.

Tools—1 Electric Grease Gun, 4 20-foot Chains, 3 Cables, 3 Spade Forks, 20 Torches, 3 Scythes, 4 Tampers, 6 Crow-bars, 1 16-lb. Sledge Hammer, 1 8-lb Hammer, 12 Snow Shovels, 12 Round Point Shovels, 12 Picks, 12 Sewer Pocket Scoops, 12 Brush Brooms, 2 Rakes, 2 Trowels, 1 Stepladder, 2 Garage Jacks, 1 Hydraulic Jack.

Office Equipment—1 Roll Top Desk, 1 Table, 1 Flat Top Desk, 7 Chairs, 1 Safe, 1 Dalton Adding Machine.

STREET DEPARTMENT FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Appropriation	\$35,000.00
Cash Credits	1,584.67
	\$36,584.67

EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$79,146.13
Gasoline, Grease and Oil	3,301.17
Telephone, Water and Light	332.69
Repairs on Equipment	1,043.77
Tools and Materials	1,408.51
Lumber	208.23
Cement and Gravel	517.19
Coal	272.27
Hardware and Paint	436.41

Material for Maintenance of Sewers	340.32	
New Truck	549.00	
Insurance	650.03	
Surveys	53.10	
Miscellaneous	266.21	
		—————\$88,525.03
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Overdraft		\$51,940.36

Bridges

Appropriation		\$500.00
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EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$344.34	
Materials	116.66	
Welding on Bridges	52.25	
		—————\$513.25
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Overdraft		\$13.25
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Resurfacing

Appropriation		\$9,500.00
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EXPENDITURES

Tar	\$8,120.77	
Sand	336.75	
Rental Plant	150.00	
		—————\$8,607.52
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Balance		\$892.48
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Sewers and Drains

Appropriation	\$2,500.00	
Credits	580.00	
		—————\$3,080.00

EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$891.31	
Materials	767.99	
		\$1,659.30
Balance		\$1,420.70

Waste Collection

Appropriation	\$7,000.00	
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EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$5,940.71	
Gasoline and Oil	545.62	
Materials for Repairs	110.02	
		\$6,596.35
Balance		\$403.65

Snow Removal

Appropriation	\$10,000.00	
Cash Credits	941.54	
		\$10,941.54

EXPENDITURES

Labor	\$3,945.18	
Materials	337.80	
Repairs	157.12	
Hired Plows	2,184.50	
Salt	195.19	
State of Maine	174.80	
		\$6,994.59
Balance		\$3,946.95

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT CADORETTE,
Street Commissioner

W. P. A.

November 30, 1940.

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

I herewith submit my report of the work accomplished by the W. P. A. Department.

From the beginning of the fiscal year, December 1, 1939, to November 30, 1940, there has been paid by the Federal Government to W. P. A. employees the sum amounting to \$88,625.63.

The following is a list of Projects that were in operation December 1, 1939, or have begun since that date:

THE SEWING ROOM PROJECT was in operation December 1, 1939, with 48 people working. During the past year the City of Biddeford has purchased 10,472½ yards of cotton material to the amount of \$2,224.81 and 4,754¾ yards of woolen material to the amount of \$3,471.88. Out of this material various articles of clothing were made at the Dress Factory, all of which were turned over to the Welfare Department for distribution to the needy people of Biddeford. This project is still in operation with 51 people working.

THE CITY YARD LEDGE PROJECT reopened December 6, 1939, with 20 men working. 9,600 cu. yds. of rock were blasted. Several hundred tons were broken into small pieces, which were used in making cement curbing on the Sidewalks Project in the spring. We still have a few hundred tons on hand, at the City Pit, for future use. This project closed May 14, 1940, with 20 men. These men were transferred to the Sidewalks Project.

THE STREETS AND SIDEWALKS PROJECT reopened May 15, 1940, with 38 men. Since that time we have covered approximately 27,545 feet of asphalt side-

walks and roadwork, set 300 feet of new granite curbing, reset 1,546 feet of old curbing and made 8,402 feet of new cement curbing. This Project is still in operation but will close December 10, 1940. The men will be transferred to a new Sewer Project, which has been approved.

THE STORM SEWERS PROJECT was in operation December 1, 1939, with 50 men. On Atlantic Ave., 815 feet of 24" reinforced concrete pipe were laid. This pipe is a tributary to the Granite Street line, which was reported last year, and serves by bringing the brook and surface drainage in that area to the drains previously constructed.

On Hill Street, 1,049 feet of 8" vitrified clay pipe, 176 feet of 12" vitrified clay pipe, and 300 feet of 18" vitrified clay pipe were laid. The object of this project is to carry the house drainage to the Summer Street Sewer in a line of sufficient depth to adequately drain the cellars in the area and, at the same time, retain the old line as a surface drain.

On Round Hill Street, 425 feet of 8" vitrified clay pipe were laid. This is a continuation of the existing Yale Street Sewer and serves as a sanitary line.

At Graham and Union Streets, a portion of the old stone drain serving Brackett Street was removed and 300 feet of 18" vitrified clay pipe substituted.

On Prospect Street, 346 feet of 30" concrete pipe were laid. This was made necessary because the addition of tributary lines had caused an overloading of the old sewer in that area.

On Aurore Ave., 475 feet of 8" vitrified clay pipe were laid to serve as a sanitary line for the area.

On the project 3 catch basins and 11 manholes were installed.

This project closed July 23, 1940, with 42 men. These men were transferred to the Goodwins Mills Rd. project.

THE GOODWINS MILLS RD. PROJECT started on July 24, 1940, with 41 men working. We have covered 1 mile and 4/10 of roadwork. Several curves were eliminated and quite a bit of ledge has been blasted at different places. Several thousand yards of gravel have been hauled for base. The project, although not completed, will close December 10, and the men will be transferred to a Sewer project for the winter months.

I am also submitting a report of expenditures for each project operated under my supervision.

Administrative	\$ 2,631.29
Dress Factory	7,374.09
City Yard Ledge	2,061.40
Streets and Sidewalks	10,742.48
Storm Sewers	6,081.79
Goodwins Mills Road	8,502.88
Airport	658.33
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Total	\$38,052.26
Appropriation	\$15,000.00
Credits	2,670.97
Transferred to State Aid Project	3,994.50
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Total	\$21,665.47
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Overdraft	\$16,386.79

Administrative

Office Supplies	\$ 7.59
Travel	79.70
Salary	2,544.00
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	\$2,631.29

Dress Factory

Stationery, Office Supplies	\$ 3.05
Hardware	8.14
Express	43.28
Thread	256.16
Material, Percale, etc.	5,744.77
Other Supplies	478.77
Salary	7.75
Sewing Mach. Fixtures and Supplies	388.50
Miscellaneous	414.50
Electrical Fixtures	21.29
Labor	7.88
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Total	\$7,374.09

City Yard Ledge

Dynamite	\$171.48
Caps	105.84
Hardware	388.35
Miscellaneous	357.24
Gasoline and Oil	169.66
Lumber	13.79
Trucking	242.75
Sharpening Bits	392.00
Electrical Supplies	7.50
Labor	65.29
Equipment Rental	132.00
Rethrading Rods	15.50
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Total	\$2,061.40

Streets and Sidewalks

Salary	\$ 12.75
Equipment Rental	1,423.00
Miscellaneous	389.74
Lumber	401.07

Hardware	616.57
Gasoline and Oil	820.09
Cement	1,397.50
Sidewalk Composition and Asphalt ...	4,500.29
Express	1.25
Labor	356.50
Transportation	48.00
Engineer's Services	747.72
Sharpening Bits	28.00
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Total	\$10,742.48

Storm Sewers

Hardware	\$ 526.76
Salary	6.25
Miscellaneous	295.24
Lumber	527.19
Cement	113.55
Equipment Rental	70.00
Gasoline and Oil	307.10
Engineer's Services	456.75
Bricks	156.00
Pipe	3,339.22
Labor	178.50
Trucking	6.43
Sharpening Tools	51.50
Caps	19.60
Repairs	2.70
Transportation	25.00
Total	\$6,081.79

Goodwin's Mills Road

Miscellaneous	\$ 118.75
Express	1.75
Trucking	4,547.95
Transportation	630.00
Other Supplies	1.45

Hardware	373.76	
Labor	64.80	
Gasoline and Oil	29.45	
Timekeeper	195.20	
Shovel Operator	199.10	
Shovel Greaser	90.30	
Gravel	1,004.60	
Equipment Rental	1,101.65	
Dynamite	50.25	
Lumber	82.07	
Repairs	11.80	
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Total		\$8,502.88

Airport

Engineer's Services	\$651.00	
Transportation	5.00	
Miscellaneous	2.33	
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Total		\$658.33
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Grand Total		\$38,052.26

Streets and Sidewalks Project for Different Sections in the City, May 15, 1940, to November 30, 1940

ASPHALT SIDEWALKS

	Feet
Elm Street (W. S.), from Five Points to Cherry Lane	3,928
Summer Street, from Birch to Fall	94
Pool Street, from High to Clifford	1,647
Clark Street, from Alfred to Prospect	148
Prospect Street (W. S.), from Clark up	135
Cleaves Street, from George to Simard Avenue	950

May Street	125
Elm Street (E. S.), from Five Points to Center's Garage	1,480
Adams Street, from Jefferson to End of Street	306
Amherst Street (both sides), from Elm to May	1,313
Alfred Street, from Birch to Myrtle	512
Pool Street, from Clifford to Lafayette	661
May Street (W. S.), from Taylor to Amherst	681
May Street (E. S.), from Orchard to Lamothe Ave.	308
Beacon Ave., from May Street to Faucher's Store	457
Western Ave., from Randall home to end of Street	768
Orchard Street, opp. Small and Donahue homes	294
Alfred Street, from Five Points to Union	2,405
Prospect Street, from Porter to Dupont	1,534
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Total number of feet	17,746

ASPHALT ROADWORK

	Feet
Elm Street, from Five Points to Center's Garage	1,480
Amherst Street, from Elm to May	1,313
Pool Street, from Clifford to Lafayette	661
May Street, from Taylor to Amherst	681
May Street, from Orchard to Lamothe Avenue	288
Beacon Ave., from May Street to Faucher's Store	320
Western Ave., from Randall home to end of Street	748
Alfred Street, from Five Points to Union	2,480
Orchard Street, opp. Small and Donahue homes	294
Prospect Street, from Porter to Dupont	1,534
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Total number of feet	9,799

RESETTING OLD CURBING

	Feet
Alfred Street	436
Adams Street	306
Amherst Street	68
Sullivan Street	60

Birch Street	155
Pool Street	105
May Street	132
Prospect Street	284

Total number of feet 1,546

SETTING NEW GRANITE CURBING

	Feet
May Street	300

MAKING NEW CEMENT CURBING

	Feet
Elm Street	1,480
Amherst Street	1,241
Pool Street	514
May Street	529
Beacon Avenue	309
Western Avenue	706
Orchard Street	181
Alfred Street	2,165
Prospect Street	1,277

Total number of feet 8,402

Amount of Payroll Received from the Federal Government for Different Projects

Dress Factory	\$28,296.91
City Yard Ledge	6,218.17
Streets and Sidewalks	19,680.02
Storm Sewers	24,335.41
Goodwins Mills Road	10,095.12
Total	<hr/> \$88,625.63

Inventory of Office Equipment

1 Steel Filing Cabinet, with 6 Drawers	1 Swivel Chair
3 Small Desks	1 Hat Rack
1 Large Office Desk	1 Remington Typewriter, #12 (#2R-302476)
3 Chairs	

Inventory of Equipment and Material at the Sewing Project

MATERIAL

- 26 (12,000-yd.) Cones White Thread, #40
- 22 (12,000-yd.) Cones Black Thread, #40
- 5 (9,600-yd.) Cones Khaki Thread, #36
- 15 Gr. White Buttons, Ligne, #16
- 43 Gr. Gross Tan Buttons, Ligne #22
- 47 Gr. Gross Black Buttons, Ligne #22
- 48 Gross White Buttons, Ligne #22
- 12 Gross Brown Buttons, Ligne #22
- 42 Gross White Buttons, Ligne #30
- 25 Gross Black Buttons, Ligne #30
- 5 Gross Black Buttons, Ligne #40
- 1 Gr. Gross White Snaps, Size 2/0
- 60 Cards Black Hooks and Eyes
- 5 Lbs. Pins
- 21 Pkgs. Brown Bias Tape
- 4 Rolls 1/2-in. White Elastic
- 2 Rols 2-in. White Elastic
- 2 Rolls White Tape
- 22 Bundles Wristers (12 pairs to a bundle)
- 12 Rolls Gummed Paper
- 1 Case Toilet Tissue
- 2 Rolls Twine

EQUIPMENT

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| 18 Treadle Machines | 4 Flatirons |
| 13 Domestic Electric Machines | 3 Pairs Shears |
| 2 Industrial Type Machines | 1 Medicine Cabinet |
| 36 Chairs | 1 First Aid Cot |
| 8 Tables | 1 Night Table |
| 2 Desks | 1 Water Tank |
| 1 Cabinet | 1 Chest of Various Tools for
Machine Repair |

Inventory of Equipment and Material for Outside Projects

MATERIAL

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| 5,524 Feet 2 x 8 Lumber | 45 Bbls. Asphalt |
| 560 Feet 2 x 4 Lumber | 9 Bbls. Tar |
| 1,360 Feet 4 x 6 Lumber | 1 Bag Cement |
| 20 Lbs. Grease | 50 Lbs. 12-pd. Nails |
| 50 Lbs. 8-pd. Naifs | |

EQUIPMENT

1 Jaeger Cement Mixer	14 Rakes
1 Jaeger 4-in. Centrifugal Pump with 20 ft. Hose	6 Axes
1 Dyar Frame 4-in. Pump	2 Heavy Chains
2 #13 KSS Single Torch Aeroil Outfit with Tank & Hose	1 Pair Chain Tongues
72 Feet 12-in. Culvert Split	9 Crow Bars
3 Camps	1 Tamping Bar
2 Stoves	3 Tampers
3 Large Toolboxes	2 Scythes
3 Wheelbarrows	4 Forks
3 Large Gravel Screens	1 Cross-Cut Saw
1 Grease Gun	2 Small Hand Saws
3 Drinking Fountains	2 Buck Saws
16 Square Shovels	1 Hack Saw
4 Long-Handled Shovels	6 Hack Saw Blades
2 Scoop Shovels	1 Hoe
84 Round-Point Shovels	2 Edgers
14 Grub Hoes	3 Brooms
55 Picks	1 Push Broom
13 16-lb. Sledge Hammers	20 Feet Haulage Rope
5 Sledge Hammer Handles	24 Torches
3 Hammer Handles	6 Bull Points
7 8-lb. Hammers	1 Poker
4 3-lb. Hand Hammers	1 Brace
3 Small Claw Hammers	1 Bit
1 Brick Hammer	1 Wrench
1 Mallet	1 Trowel
15 Hand Drills	1 Level
17 Pairs Rubber Boots	3 Line Levels
16 Feet 24-in. Reinforced Concrete Pipe	1 50-ft. Tape
8 Feet 30-in. Reinforced Concrete Pipe	1 75-ft. Tape
6 8-in. Pipes, 2-ft. lengths	1 Pail
1 Plank Puller	1 Funnel
	100 Feet Garden Hose

Respectfully submitted,

CONRAD T. FORTIER.

REPORT OF MILK INSPECTOR

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

I herewith respectfully submit my report for the year 1940.

Calls at Office	110
Calls at Stores	131
Calls at Producers, Farms and Dairies	260
Licenses Approved	271
Licenses Refused	9
Licenses Revoked	1

The addition of four new Pasteurizing plants in this area is an important step in safeguarding the health of milk consumers. The general condition of dairies and dairy equipment is quite satisfactory.

HARRY DINEEN,
Milk Inspector.

REPORT OF BUILDING INSPECTOR

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

I herewith submit my report for the year of 1940.

Total Permits	94
Total Value of Remodeling and New Building	\$129,382.00

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS BLANCHETTE,
Building Inspector.

BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF VOTERS

Report for Year Ending Nov. 30, 1940

	Wards	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
Men		323	952	737	816	815	320	1,076	5,040
Women		305	842	615	716	797	285	1,057	4,617
Total		628	1,795	1,352	1,532	1,613	605	2,133	9,657

DEMOCRATIC ENROLLMENTS

Men	176	647	433	510	438	207	509	2,920
Women	136	561	285	399	374	171	434	2,360
Total	312	1,208	718	909	812	378	943	5,280

REPUBLICAN ENROLLMENTS

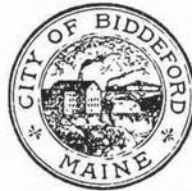
Men	91	131	149	104	168	53	255	951
Women	85	97	99	66	132	34	166	679
Total	176	228	248	170	300	87	421	1,630

Number of New Registrations	1,425
Stricken from List—Deceased	126
Change of Name—Marriage	123
Registered Out-of-Town	204
Total Transactions	1,878

We extend our sincere thanks to the Mayor and City Officials for their coöperation.

ULDERIC COTE, *Chairman,*
 JOSEPH F. CURTIS,
 JEROME A. MORIN,
Members, Board of Registration of Voters.

CITY GOVERNMENT



Mayor

WILFRID LANDRY

City Council

Councilmen at Large

WILFRID E. FRECHETTE

THEODORE SHEVENELL

HARRY E. MCKENZIE

CHARLES LALIBERTE

Ward Councilmen

CLARENCE GOLDTHWAITE	Ward 1
ROLAND ROUSSELLE	Ward 2
ARCHILLE CROTEAU	Ward 3
GEORGE L. LANDRY	Ward 4
ALBERT CANTARA	Ward 5
ALFRED F. LEDOUX	Ward 6
THOMAS P. MCGARITY	Ward 7

City Clerk

ARMAND DUQUETTE

City Solicitor

WILLIAM P. DONAHUE

City Treasurer

WILLIAM E. SHAW

City Auditor

ALBERT E. PARE

Board of Assessors

THOMAS H. SIMPSON, *Chief Assessor*

THOMAS F. FLANAGAN

LINIÈRE DOYON

Tax Collector

SAUL GAGNE

Health and Welfare

DELVINA MATHURIN, *Clerk of Overseers of the Poor*

ANTOINE PETIT, *Superintendent of the Homestead*

DR. J. R. LAROCHELLE, *City Physician*

DR. OSCAR PERREAULT, *Health Officer*

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LOUIS J. PAINCHAUD

CLIFFORD M. CHENEY

Superintendent of Schools

A. ALTON GARCELON, JR.

Truant Officer

PERCY C. McKEEN

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ANTOINE A. PETIT

ARMAND DUQUETTE

Chief of Police

RODOLPHE VANASSE

Captain of Police

CLEMENT DESCHANBEAULT

Board of Engineers of the Fire Department

FRANK CANTARA, *Chief Engineer*

NAPOLEON VERRIER, *First Assistant Engineer*

TIMOTHY A. HAYES, *Second Assistant Engineer*

Street Commissioner, District No. 4

ALBERT CADORETTE

Trustees Woodlawn Cemetery

WILFRID LANDRY, *Chairman*

GEORGE W. BRIDGMAN

JAMES STEVENS

Superintendent of Burials

FREDERICK D. RUMERY

Milk Inspector

HARRY F. DINEEN

Electrical Inspector

EDMOND NEAULT

Inspector of Buildings

THOMAS BLANCHETTE

Sealer of Weights and Measures

EMILE LESSARD

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