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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MUNICIPAL OFFICERS
OF THE
TOWN OF MONSON
MAINE

FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 1969

BRING THIS REPORT WITH YOU

Jan 1970
L. Langford

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Hatchins Brothers, Thorndike, Maine

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

To the Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Monson:

A financial and general activities summary of your town government for the year 1969 is contained in the following Annual Report.

The town ended its fiscal year January 31, 1970 with a surplus of fourteen thousand, eight hundred sixty-one dollars and twenty-seven cents which is available to help meet future and present needs of the town.

Reports of S.A.D. No. 68 activities are contained in a separate school report compiled and outlined by your school district.

Citizens who desire additional information about their town government should feel free to contact their town officials. You are urged to attend the Annual Town Meeting, March 16, 1970 to act on your town's business for 1970.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. LANDER

Town Manager

TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator—Rev. Douglas Brayton

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor

Frank W. Nelson James D. Candors Paul B. Allen

Town Manager, Road Commissioner, Tax Collector

Town Treasurer

Robert Lander

Town Clerk—Stanley A. Robinson

Director of S.A.D. No. 68—Wayne Huff

Superintendents of Schools

Fred Mosler — S.A.D. No. 68

Civil Defense and Building Inspector

John Ruksznis

Sexton—Weldon Conner, Guilford, Maine

Fire Chief—John Ruksznis

Health Officer—Robert Lander

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Alfred J. Rioux

Surveyor of Logs, Lumber, Wood and Bark

Hollis Nelson

Town Forest Fire Warden

John Ruksznis

Constables

Berwin Storer

Robert Greenleaf

Terris Moore

Anselm Swanson

Robert Lander

James D. Candors

Dog Constable—Walter Maheux

Amounts Raised by Town March 24, 1969

General Government	\$7,025.00
Miscellaneous	1,800.00
Town Hall	1,000.00
Fire Department	2,000.00
Civil Defense	200.00
Insurance	3,500.00
Town Power	3,000.00
Health Nurse	170.00
Highway	4,000.00
Snow Plowing	6,750.00
Town Tar	3,500.00
State Aid Roads	2,132.00
Town Poor	1,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	1,300.00
Library	300.00
Recreation	400.00
Memorial Day	150.00
Maine Publicity Bureau	25.00
Cemeteries	1,100.00
Fire Truck Note	1,500.00
Town Hall	1,750.00
Interest Town Hall & Fire Truck	1,741.45
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	\$44,343.45
Voted to take from surplus	150.00
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Total voted and approved	\$44,493.45

1969 Tax Abatements

Doric Lodge No. 149	\$140.00
Pullen Hardware	140.00
John Smith	3.00
Robert Larson	3.00

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Ellery & Mabel Kronholm	161.20
Joseph Wheaton	3.00
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	\$450.20

Total Raised for Taxation 1969—1970

		\$88,441.60
Commitment, Town of Monson	\$44,343.45	
Commitment, S.A.D. No. 68	41,373.72	
County Tax	1,598.00	
Overlay Account	1,126.43	
	<hr/>	\$88,441.60
1969 Tax Abatements	\$ 450.20	
1969 Tax Discount	951.52	
1969 Taxes Collected	80,889.57	
1969 Taxes Uncollected	6,150.31	
	<hr/>	\$88,441.60

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Valuation: Town of Monson

Real Estate, Resident	\$349,540.00	
Real Estate, Non-Resident	206,480.00	
		\$556,020.00
Personal Estate, Resident	\$64,620.00	
Personal Estate, Non-Resident	7,400.00	
		\$72,020.00
Total Assessed Valuation		\$628,040.00

Assessment

Valuation x Rate		
628,040.00 x 140	\$87,925.60	
172 Polls x \$3.00	516.00	
		\$88,441.60

Computation of Assessment

Appropriations	\$44,343.45	
S.A.D. No. 68 Assessment	41,373.72	
County Tax	598.00	
Overlay	1,126.43	
		\$88,441.60

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1969 Uncollected Taxes

	Poll	Pers.	Real	Total
Burke, Adolph	\$3.00		\$120.40	\$123.40
Burke, Carl	3.00		100.80	103.80
Bernard, Benjamin			84.00	84.00
Barrows, Robert	3.00			3.00
Christensen, Meredith	3.00		127.40	†130.40
Clark, Florence			28.00	28.00
Cowan, Frank Heirs			84.00	84.00
Carr, Gertrude			112.00	112.00
Carr, Merton	3.00			3.00
Donahoe, Dustin & Carter, Louise	3.00		40.60	†43.60
Erickson, Marguerite			64.40	64.40
Erickson, Henry & Anna			99.40	99.40
Flint, Harold	3.00			3.00
Freeh, Leo & Marlene	3.00		180.60	183.60
Grant, Alfred & Beverly			54.60	54.60
Grant, Alfred & Beverly			109.20	109.20
Gattrell, L. Pete Heirs			21.00	21.00
Greenleaf, Robert	3.00	2.80	161.00	166.80
Holmquist, Lawrence & Collins, Troy			203.00	203.00
Jackson, Paul			83.80	†83.80
Jones, Francis & Ruth			140.00	140.00
Jones, Thaxter & Rachel			327.60	327.60
Korsman, Maila			166.60	166.60
Korsman, Arvo, Jr.			18.71	**18.71
Kronholm, Edgar	3.00		112.00	115.00

	Poll	Pers.	Real	Total
Kronholm, Colby & Barbara	3.00		98.00	101.00
Kugler, Edward & Aimee	3.00	36.40	582.40	621.80
Lindie, Harry & Mary			152.60	152.60
Leavitt, Robert & Betty			186.20	186.20
Melia, Malcolm			124.60	124.60
McDonald, Harold & Aili	3.00		189.00	192.00
Nasberg, Albion Heirs			56.60	56.60
Ponkala, John	3.00	2.80	113.40	119.20
Philbrood, Edward & Charlene	3.00		138.60	141.60
Perkins, Millard	3.00			3.00
Reed, Wayne	3.00	28.00		31.00
Sargent, Claire			96.20	**96.20
Suomi, Corinne			119.00	119.00
Stanchfield, Gerald	3.00		39.20	42.20
Strom, Charles			8.40	8.40
Storer, Henry & Betty			226.80	226.80
Stone, Wilbur			57.00	57.00
Stone, Kenneth & Betty	3.00	7.00	182.00	192.00
Kelly, James & Joyce			16.00	16.00
Nelson, Arthur			173.60	†173.60
Tuomi, Eino		2.80	44.80	47.60
Tompkins, Barbara			98.00	98.00
Tompkins, Robert	3.00			3.00
	60.00	79.80	5,141.51	5,281.31

† Paid in full

** Partial payment

1969 Uncollected Taxes, Non-Resident

	Poll	Pers.	Real	Total
Beaupre, Leo & Marjorie			140.20	**140.20
Brown, Charles F.			96.60	96.60
Bohan, Paul & Lorraine			127.40	127.40
Bowen, Robert			21.00	21.00
Flint Bros.			11.20	**11.20
Goodridge, Elsie			57.40	57.40
Gregg, Earle			78.40	78.40
Huff, Manley H.			9.80	9.80
Nadeau, Arthur			54.60	54.60
O'Mara, Joseph & Helen			7.00	7.00
Texaco Oil Co.		75.60		75.60
Vainio, Carl			84.00	84.00
Yakulevich, Robert			11.20	11.20
Limbert, Priscilla & Deborah			81.20	†81.20
Spaulding, Richard & Elsie			13.40	**13.00
		75.60	793.40	869.00

† Paid in full

** Partial payment

* Poll tax paid

1968 Uncollected Taxes

1968 Uncollected Taxes - Jan. 31, 1969	\$469.44
1968 Taxes Collected	\$420.36

Delinquent:

Maila Korsman	7.20
Malcolm Page	2.88
Colby & Barbara Kronholm	10.20
Gerald Stanchfield	10.20
Eino Tuomi	11.40
1968 Tax Abatement - Frank Cowan Heirs	7.20
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	\$469.44

1967 Uncollected Taxes

1967 Uncollected Taxes - Jan. 31, 1969	\$35.20
1967 Taxes Collected	\$24.80

Delinquent:

Colby & Barbara Kronholm	4.20
Eino Tuomi	6.20
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	\$35.20

1968 Tax Liens

1968 Tax Liens Uncollected Jan. 31, 1969	\$3,853.96
1968 Tax Liens Collected by Treasurer	2,047.36

Delinquent:

Adolphe Burks	\$120.84
Frank Cowan Heirs	86.40
Alfred Grant	56.16
Robert Greenleaf	88.60
Ruth & Francis Jones	144.00
Thaxter & Rachel Jones	328.32
Maila Korsman	171.36
Colby & Barbara Kronholm	100.80
Arthur Nelson	† 178.56

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John Ponkala	123.72
Corinne Suomi	105.40
Gerald Stanchfield	40.32
Flint Bros.	11.56
Benjamin Bernard	86.40
Arthur Nadeau	56.16
Carl Vainio	86.40
L. Pete Gattrell Heirs	21.60
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	\$1,806.60
	\$3,853.96

1967 Tax Liens

1967 Tax Liens:	
Uncollected Liens:	\$1,693.86
Liens Collected by Treasurer	\$1,261.99
Delinquent Liens:	
Alfred Grant	39.16
L. Pete Gattrell Heirs	15.86
Colby & Barbara Kronholm	88.80
Malcolm Melia	93.77
Arthur Nelson	† 53.76
John Ponkala	100.44
Eino, Tuomi	39.68
Benjamin Bernard	.40
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	\$431.87
	\$1,693.86

1966 Tax Liens

1966 Tax Liens Uncollected Jan.	
31, 1969	\$662.09
1966 Tax Liens Collected by Treas.	\$463.07

Delinquent:

Kronholm, Colby	81.90	
Vainio, Veikko & Sally	117.12	
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	\$199.02	\$662.09

1965 Tax Liens

1965 Tax Liens Uncollected Jan. 31, 1969	\$419.43
1965 Tax Liens Collected by Treas. \$309.33	

Delinquent:

Vainio, Veikko & Sally	110.10	
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		\$419.43

1964 Tax Liens

1964 Tax Liens Uncollected Jan. 31, 1969	\$124.00
1964 Tax Liens Collected by Treasurer	124.00
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1963 Tax Liens

1963 Tax Liens Uncollected Jan. 31, 1969	\$89.76
1963 Tax Liens Collected by Treasurer	89.76
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1962 Tax Liens

1962 Tax Liens Uncollected Jan. 31, 1969	\$161.68
1962 Tax Liens Collected by Treasurer	161.68
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TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on Hand, Feb. 1, 1969	
Guilford Trust Company	\$ 14,771.87
Receipts for the Year	125,835.13
	\$140,607.00
Warrants Paid	\$118,291.59
Balance on Hand, Feb. 1, 1970	22,315.41
	\$140,607.00

General Government

Balance Feb. 1, 1969	\$ 401.62
Appropriation	7,025.00
Received, Water Co.	550.00
	\$7,976.62

Salaries

Robert Lander, Town Manager	\$5,850.00
Robert Lander, Treasurer	250.00
S. A. Robinson, Town Clerk	150.00
S. A. Robinson, Registrar of Voter	50.00
Assessors:	
Frank Nelson	200.00
Paul Allen	200.00
James Candors	200.00
	\$6,900.00

General Government Expenses

Town Manager	\$ 405.00	
Balance to 1970	671.62	
	<hr/>	\$7,976.62

Incidentals

Feb. 1, 1969

Appropriations	\$1,800.00	
Received	210.22	
Overdraft from Summary	423.33	
	<hr/>	\$2,433.55

Expended:

Postage	\$140.04	
Ballot Clerks	109.08	
Moderator	5.00	
Town Reports	242.85	
Safe	412.92	
Town Clerk Supplies	27.10	
Water Rent	41.00	
Audit	589.16	
Misc.	655.64	
Supplies for Clinic	210.76	
Overdraft to Summary		
	<hr/>	\$2,433.55

Town Hall Expense

Appropriation	\$1,000.00	
Overdraft	499.77	
Received from S. A. Robinson	60.00	
	<hr/>	\$1,559.77

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Expended:

Fuel, Old Building	\$281.31
Fuel, New Building	757.89
Telephone	295.05
Supplies	71.62
Misc.	138.11
Repairs	15.79

\$1,559.77

Monson Fire Department

Appropriation	\$2,000.00
Received	1,046.96
Overdraft from Summary	680.85

\$3,727.81

Expended:

Telephone Alarm System	\$ 442.45
Repairs	221.02
Pipeline Pleasant Street	126.13
Supplies	1,249.70
Gas and Oil	65.26
Misc.	49.80
Chief	200.00
Payroll	679.00
Radio, New Truck	694.45

\$3,727.81

Civil Defense

Balance Feb. 1, 1969	\$146.55
Appropriation	200.00
Received	50.00

\$396.55

Expended:

Radio Repair	\$ 66.00
John Ruksznis	100.00
Balance Feb. 1, 1970	230.55

\$396.55

Town Power

Appropriation	\$3,000.00
Expended	\$2,393.81
Balance to Summary	606.19

\$3,000.00

Public Nurse

Appropriation	\$170.00
Expended	170.00

Municipal Building Note

Appropriation	\$1,750.00
Expended	\$1,750.00

Fire Truck Note

Appropriation	\$1,500.00
Expended	1,500.00

Highways

Bal. Jan. 31, 1969	\$3,184.54
Appropriation	4,000.00
Received, Water Co.	275.00
1969-1970	8,795.65

\$16,255.19

Expended:

Clarence Pratt, Labor	\$4,926.00
Labor	607.10
Supplies	192.35
Bushes, Mowing, Trees	315.00
Winter Sand, Barrow Falls Road	105.02
Culverts	757.18
Calcium Chloride	362.60
Truck and Tractor Rental	3,600.00
Bulldozer and Backhoe	753.08
Salt	996.18
Miscellaneous	319.12
Gravel and Cold Patch	994.55
Balance to 1970	2,327.01

\$16,255.19

Highway Equipment

Balance Feb. 1, 1969	\$5,968.34
Received, Rental, Truck & Tractor	3,600.00
Treasurer	47.52

\$9,615.86

Expended:

Gas and Oil	\$1,168.97
Repairs	455.23
Misc.	197.23
Balance to 1970	7,794.43

\$9,615.86

Snow Plowing

Balance Feb. 1, 1969	\$ 394.68
Appropriation	6,750.00
Received, Treas., State of Maine	1,483.95

\$8,628.63

Expended:

Farrin Bros. and Smith, Inc.	\$4,939.65
Balance to 1970	3,688.68

\$8,628.63

Surface Treatment, Tar

Appropriation	\$3,500.00
Received, Treas., State of Maine	156.24
Overdraft to Summary	817.76

\$4,474.00

Expended to:

Commerical Paving Co.	\$4,474.00
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State Aid Roads

Appropriation	\$2,132.00
Expended:	
Treasurer, State of Maine	2,132.00

Town Road Improvement

Expended, Willimantic Road	\$404.26
Received, Treasurer, State of Maine	404.26

Town Poor

Appropriation	\$1,000.00
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Received:

Town of Greenville	10.00
Town of Dexter	63.00

\$1,073.00

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Town of Monson Poor:

Case No. 1	\$ 50.21	
Case No. 2	92.86	
Case No. 3	15.00	
Case No. 4	126.25	
Case No. 5	30.00	
Case No. 6	10.00	
Case No. 7	121.57	
Case No. 8	16.48	
Express on Surplus Food	388.82	
Balance to Summary	221.81	
	<hr/>	\$1,073.00

Aid to Dependent Children

Appropriation \$1,300.00

Expended:

Case No. 1	109.98	
Case No. 2	309.42	
Case. No. 3	116.64	
Case No. 4	79.20	
Case No. 5	129.60	
Case No. 6	64.80	
Case No. 7	48.24	
Case No. 8	104.38	
Balance to Summary	337.74	
	<hr/>	\$1,300.00

Common Schools

Appropriated to S. A. D. No. 68 \$41,373.72
 Expended to S. A. D. No. 68 41,373.72

Monson Public Library

Appropriation	\$300.00
Received	30.00
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	\$330.00
Expended	\$330.00

Memorial Day

Expended to Legion Post No. 116	150.00
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Recreation Program

Received	\$1,719.24
Balance to 1970	1,719.24
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Recreation Director

Appropriation	\$400.00
Expended	
Farmington State College	\$160.00
Supplies and Float	159.02
Balance to Summary	80.98
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	\$400.00

Maine Publicity Bureau

Appropriation	\$25.00
Balance Feb. 1, 1969	50.00
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\$75.00

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Expended	\$25.00	
Balance to 1970	50.00	
	<hr/>	\$75.00

Cemeteries

Appropriation	\$1,100.00	
Received Perpetual Care Income	1,274.38	
Overdraft from Summary	25.62	
	<hr/>	\$2,400.00

Expended:

Weldon Conner	\$2,400.00	
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Lake Road Cemeteries

Balance Feb. 1, 1969	\$302.55	
Received	65.00	
	<hr/>	\$367.55
Expended	\$ 73.96	
Balance to 1970	293.59	
	<hr/>	\$367.55

Interest Account

Collected	\$666.24	
Expended	75.00	
Expended to Overlay	591.24	
	<hr/>	\$666.24

Tax Lien Cost

Collected	\$191.80
Expended	\$130.91
Balance to Summary	60.89

 \$191.80
Petty Cash

Feb. 1, 1969	\$100.00
Feb. 1, 1970	100.00

Accounts Payable

Feb. 1, 1969	\$2.58
Expended	2.58

Town of Monson Savings Accounts**Soldiers' Monument**

Feb. 1, 1969 Balance	\$250.00
Interest Earned	12.30

 \$262.30

Feb. 1, 1970 Balance	\$262.30
Expended to Cemeteries	12.30

 \$250.00
Honor Roll

Balance Feb. 1, 1969	\$375.25
Interest Earned	19.07

 \$394.32

Feb. 1, 1970	\$394.32
Interest Expended to Cemeteries	19.07

 \$375.25

Chapin Trust Fund

Balance Feb. 1, 1969	\$2,614.91	
Interest Earned	128.96	
	<hr/>	\$2,743.87
Balance Feb. 1, 1970	\$2,743.87	

Wentworth Trust Fund

Feb. 1, 1970	\$900.81	
Interest Earned	44.41	
	<hr/>	\$945.22
Balance Feb. 1, 1970		\$945.22

Town of Monson Savings Account No. 1108

August 5, 1968 Deposited	\$7,418.25	
Interest Earned	280.00	
Expended to Haley Const. Co.	3,820.90	
	<hr/>	\$3,877.35

Perpetual Care

Balance Feb. 1, 1969	\$3,801.61	
Interest Earned	219.89	
New Investments	1,600.00	
	<hr/>	\$5,621.50
Balance Feb. 1, 1970	\$4,421.76	
Expended to Guilford Trust	124.90	
Reinvestment into Bonds	1,074.84	
	<hr/>	\$5,621.50

School and Ministerial Account

Balance Feb. 1, 1969	\$990.64
Received Interest	4.12
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	\$994.76

Monson Spring Water Co.

August 1968 Loan of	\$6,000.00
Feb. 1, 1969 Debt of	6,000.00

County Tax

Appropriation	\$1,598.00
Expended:	
Treas. Piscataquis County	1,598.00

Overlay

Appropriation	\$1,126.43
Received from Interest Account	591.24
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\$1,717.67

Expended:

1969 Tax Discount	\$951.52
1969 Tax Abatement	485.69
Balance to Summary	280.46
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\$1,717.67

Summary of Accounts

	Overdraft	Unexpended
Miscellaneous	\$423.33	
Town Hall Expense	499.77	
Fire Department	680.85	
Town Tar	817.76	
Town Power		\$606.19
Town Poor		221.81
Aid Dependent Children		337.74

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Insurance		92.05
Interest, Building & Fire Truck	62.95	
Recreation Program		80.98
Interest and Overlay Accounts		280.46
Tax Lien Cost		60.89
Supplemental Tax		21.00
Regular Cemeteries	25.62	
Dutch Elm		50.00
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	\$2,510.28	\$1,761.12
1969 Overdraft		2,510.28
1969 Unexpended	1,761.12	
Balance from Surplus	749.16	
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Town of Monson Surplus

Balance Feb. 1, 1969	\$12,404.58	
Received	3,355.85	
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		\$15,760.43
Expended:		
Office of Economic Opportunity	150.00	
Summary of Accounts	749.16	
Balance Feb. 1, 1970	14,861.27	
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		\$15,760.43

Municipal Notes, Town of Monson**New Municipal Building**

Balance of Notes with Guilford Trust Co. Town Hall		\$31,500.00
Balance of Notes With Guilford Trust Co., Fire Truck		7,000.00
Note, Tolford Durham-Water Co.		6,000.00
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Total of Municipal Notes		\$44,500.00

REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER

To the Board of Selectmen, Citizens, and Taxpayers
of the Town of Monson:

The year of 1969 has been a year of progress in the town. Funds have been made available to help plan for a sewerage treatment plan. The One Hundred and Fourth Legislature made a special fund of \$9,000.00 for the Barrow Falls road. The Water Co. has replaced some old lines with larger ones which has improved service in some areas of the town. We hope to improve more in the near future.

Highways: The Town Road Improvement funds were again applied on the Willimantic Road. With these funds again this year, this will complete this section of town way.

The State Aid funds will be spent on completing the Elliottsville road. This should complete the gravel section and straighten the turn before you approach Goddel Brook Bridge.

Due to the increase of tar cost and addition of more roads to be tarred, the town should be increasing these funds as we have been overdrafting the past two years.

Snow Removal: As in the past, this has been done by Farrin Bros. & Smith.

Cemeteries: This past year work in the Town cemeteries has been done by Weldon Conner. Work has been started to trim around the old cemetery yard. This will

be sprayed and graded so as to keep the trees from growing back into the outside lots. Again I wish to thank Weldon Conner for the pride and time he spends in keeping town cemeteries looking proper at all times.

Recreation: Our Recreation program was again sponsored under the Youth Study Program of the federal government. Miss Elaine Mattson was the director for the ten week program. Mothers of the community also helped in the free swim during the afternoons. In time, as money becomes available, the landing at Whiting's Cove can be largely developed.

Water Co.: Since Oct. 1, 1968, two large improvements have been made. The first was lowering of the casing in the number 2 well down to 190 feet. This gives us a continuous flow of water at all times. During a very dry season the number 2 well used to be inefficient. The second improvement was the replacement of the Pleasant St. lines from a two inch line to a four inch line. This gives all the customers on Pleasant Street a continuous flow of water. It is hoped Center St. can be redone in the future.

The Directors and Selectmen voted to pay only the interest on the note in order to have made possible these improvements during the past year.

Again I would like to say thank you to the citizens and taxpayers for their cooperation and understanding of the problems of our town.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. LANDER

Town Manager

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Jan. 1, 1969 — Dec. 31, 1969

On February 17, we moved into our new library, The young folks under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. George Wentworth, moved all the books and put them on the shelves. Later in the week some of the young folks came in and arranged all the classified books.

We observed National Library Week, by having Open House and serving light refreshments. We had fifty adult and thirty teenage guests. The children from the primary and middle grades visited the library to browse and have a story hour.

June 16th, was Open House for the new building We had 120 visitors register.

During the summer new steps and porch were made for the library entrance and hot top was put on the walk.

RCA Record Co. made us a gift of 45 record albums.

Moosehead Manufacturing Co. presented the library a new children's reading table and six chairs. These add to the attractiveness of the library and to the comfort of the young readers.

In November we observed National Book Week, with an excellent display of children's books and some adult reading material. A special invitation was issued to the school children to visit the library.

Early in the fall the seventh and eighth grades and their teachers and a teachers' aide visited the library. The students learned to use the files.

The library had a gift of money in memory of Mr. John Smith, and a gift of money from the Abbot Extension.

We have purchased 110 books. 45 juvenile books, 39 Teen Age books and 26 Adult books. We subscribe to several adult and juvenile magazines.

The Library Association is very grateful for all the volunteer help we receive, for the many excellent books we have had donated. We are very proud to have books contributed by two local authors, Robert Mathews, a summer resident and Terris Moore, a resident of Monson.

Total Book Circulation	4337
Bookmobile	375
Maine State Library	97
Bangor Public Library	20
Total Books Borrowed	492
Record Albums Circulation	195

Trustees and Officers are:

Pres. of the Library Association	Mrs. John Durham
Vice President	Mrs. Oliver Jackson
Secretary	Mrs. Viola Michele
Treasurer	Mr. Wayne Huff
Trustees	Mrs. John Durham
	Mrs. Howard Thompson
	Mrs. George Wentworth
	Mrs. Donald MacPherson
	Mr. James Durham
	Mr. Robert Brown
	Mr. Wayne Huff
Auditor	Mr. James Durham
Librarian	Miss Vivienne Bray

VIVIENNE BRAY, Librarian

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

Fires December 1968 to December 1969:

1. Grass Fire.
2. Chimney Fires.
2. Building Fires.
1. Partition Fire.

The hydrant line on Pleasant St. was extended 500 ft. giving us better coverage on upper Pleasant and Center St.

500 ft. of 2½" hose purchased and loaded on the two pumpers.

500 ft. 1½" hose purchased part of which was loaded on the trucks; balance stored at Fire Station.

The new pumper was equipped with a new G. E. Transistor 2 way radio, we now have 2 mobile units and one base station. These units are in the same frequency as other Piscataquis County Fire Departments, The County Sheriffs Office, and County Civil Defense Headquarters.

We had one mutual aid call, we called Guilford for aid on the Masonic Building fire. They responded with 2 pumpers and 10 men, this service at no cost to the Town of Monson.

Our disaster Fund activities for the year included, our Baked Bean Supper, and our Calendar Program.

both of these projects were very successful, some of this money being used to paint the interior of our Fire Station. the work being done by members of the department.

We have moved our Blood Bank from the EMG Hospital in Bangor, to the Regional Blood Center in Waterville. Members participating in this program will donate at least 1 pint a year to this bank. This will entitle the donor and their immediate families to blood for one year. We would like for townspeople to join with us in building up this bank, as we feel the benefits from this program are definitely worthwhile. Anyone wishing to join with us in this project contact me or some member of the department, and we will arrange transportation to the center and return.

We wish to thank the townspeople for their cooperation during the past year and remember your Fire Phone Number 997-3646.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. RUKSZNIS

Fire Chief

REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Maine Department of Health and Welfare
 Division of Public Health Nursing, Bureau of Health
 Annual Report of Public Health Nursing Services in
 Monson For The Year 1969

The Division of Public Health Nursing made nursing service available to the people of Monson through your public health nurse. The nurse admitted seventeen patients to direct nursing care.

List 1 presents the number of patients by type of case. The number of visits by the nurse are presented for comparison. Supportive services include conferences with physicians to discuss the patients care and needs.

List 1

Type of Case	Number of No. of Patients	Number of Direct Visits	Number of Supportive Visits	Total
Communicable Disease				
Control	6	11	1	12
Disease not classified	4	10	1	11
Health Promotion	3	5	1	6
Crippling Condition	3	11	0	11
Maternity	1	2	0	2
Total	17	39	3	42

List 2 presents the number of patients by age group.

List 2

Age Group	Number of Patients	Number of Visits To/For Patients
4 weeks to 1 year	2	4
1 year to 5 years	3	16
6 years to 20 years	1	4
21 years to 64 years	6	11
65 years and older	5	7
Total	<u>17</u>	<u>42</u>

Thirty-eight of the forty-two visits were made to persons other than school age. School age children are also served by the School Nurse employer by the School Administrative District No. 68.

Respectfully submitted,

EDNA ABBOTT, R. N.

Public Health Nurse

AUDITOR'S REPORT

February 24, 1970

Board of Selectmen

Monson,

Maine

Pursuant to your request, we have examined the financial statements of the various funds of the Town of Monson, Maine, for the year ended January 31, 1970. Our examination was conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying comparative balance sheet and related statements of operations and unappropriated surplus present fairly the financial position of the Town of Monson, Maine, at January 31, 1970, and the results of the operations of the General Fund for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted principles of governmental accounting applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Respectfully submitted,

Bryant M. Brown

COMMENTS

SCOPE OF AUDIT

ASSETS:

Cash and cash items were verified by physical count or by direct confirmation. Cash columns were footed and traced to general ledger accounts. Cancelled checks were examined on a test basis. Taxes receivable were scheduled and reconciled with previous balances and this year's collections. Tax liens were analyzed and supporting documents examined.

TRUST FUNDS:

Trust funds were scheduled and proved. Savings bank passbooks were examined and balances confirmed by the depository bank. Securities were examined and counted. All interest was posted to date and recorded.

NOTES PAYABLE:

An analysis of notes payable was prepared, and outstanding balances were proved by direct confirmation. All interest payments were current.

GENERAL FUND:

A detailed analysis was made and a test check made of documents supporting expenditures.

GENERAL

The books and records were well kept, and the only errors noted were of a minor clerical nature. I

would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation for the cooperation and courtesy extended by the Town Officials during the audit period.

EXHIBIT A

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

January 31, 1970 January 31, 1969

GENERAL FUND

ASSETS

Cash on hand and in bank:

General	\$22,315.41	\$14,771.87
Petty	100.00	100.00
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	\$22,415.41	\$14,871.87
Accounts Receivable	629.76	115.91
Taxes Receivable	6,194.48	6,246.95
Tax Liens	2,547.59	3,150.82
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TOTAL	\$31,787.24	\$24,385.55
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DEBT FUND

ASSETS

Amount Necessary to Retire Debt		
From Future Revenue	\$44,500.00	\$47,750.00

TRUST AND SPECIAL FUNDS

ASSETS

Trust Funds:

Securities	\$26,000.00	\$25,000.00
Time Deposits	8,360.85	8,167.33
Due from General Fund		990.64
	<u>34,360.85</u>	<u>34,157.97</u>

Special Funds:

Time Deposits	4,252.60	7,794.07
TOTAL	<u>38,613.45</u>	<u>41,952.04</u>

January 31, 1970 January 31, 1969

GENERAL FUND

LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND SURPLUS

Accounts Payable	\$ 2.58	\$ 2.58
	<u>2.58</u>	<u>2.58</u>

Reserves:

Departmental bals. carried (Exhibit D)	\$16,925.42	\$10,987.75
Due Ministerial and School Fund		990.64
	<u>16,925.42</u>	<u>11,978.39</u>

Surplus:

Unappropriated (Ex. C)	14,859.24	12,404.58
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TOTAL	\$31,787.24	\$24,385.55
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DEBT FUND

LIABILITIES

Notes Payable	\$44,500.00	\$47,750.00
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

TRUST AND SPECIAL FUNDS

LIABILITIES

Trust Funds:

Principals	\$32,960.00	\$31,724.00
Unexpended Inc.	1,400.85	2,433.97
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	\$34,360.85	\$34,157.97

Special Funds:

Spec. Reserve	\$3,877.35	\$7,418.25
Honor Roll	375.25	375.82
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	4,252.60	7,794.07
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL	\$38,613.45	\$41,952.04
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EXHIBIT D
STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

Year Ended January 31, 1970

	Appropriations	Other Credits	Total Available	Expenditures and Debits	Bal. at Jan. 31, 1970
					Lapsed (O'draft) Unexp'd
					Carried (O'draft) Unexp'd
GENERAL GOVERNMENT					
Town Charges	\$7,025.00	\$ 951.62	\$7,976.62	\$7,305.00	\$ 671.62
Town Hall Expense	1,000.00	60.00	1,060.00	1,559.77	(499.77)
Rental Income		175.00	175.00	175.00	
Miscellaneous	1,800.00	210.22	2,010.22	2,433.55	(423.33)
	<u>\$9,825.00</u>	<u>\$1,396.84</u>	<u>\$11,221.84</u>	<u>11,473.32</u>	<u>(923.10)</u>
					<u>671.62</u>
PROTECTION					
Fire Department	2,000.00	1,046.96	3,046.96	3,727.81	(680.85)
Civil Defense	200.00	196.55	396.55	166.00	230.55
Insurance	3,500.00	145.00	3,645.00	3,552.95	92.05
Town Power	3,000.00		3,000.00	2,393.81	606.19
	<u>8,700.00</u>	<u>1,388.51</u>	<u>10,088.51</u>	<u>9,840.57</u>	<u>17.39</u>
					<u>230.55</u>

	Appro- priations	Other Credits
HEALTH AND SANITATION		
Public Health Nurse	170.00	
HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES		
Highways, General	4,000.00	12,255.19
Highways, Equip.		9,615.86
Snow Plowing	6,750.00	1,878.63
Tarring	3,500.00	156.24
State Aid Rd. Const.	2,132.00	
Town Road Improvement		404.26
	<u>16,382.00</u>	<u>24,310.18</u>
WELFARE		
Town Poor	1,000.00	73.00
Aid to Dep. Children	1,300.00	
	<u>2,300.00</u>	<u>73.00</u>

Total Available	Expenditures and Debits	Bal. at Jan. 31, 1970	
		Lapsed (O'draft) Unexp'd	Carried (O'draft) Unexp'd
170.00	170.00		
16,255.19	13,928.18		2,327.01
9,615.86	1,821.43		7,794.43
8,628.63	4,939.65		3,688.98
3,656.24	4,474.00	(817.76)	
2,132.00	2,132.00		
404.26	404.26		
40,692.18	27,699.52	(817.76)	13,810.42
1,073.00	851.19	221.81	
1,300.00	962.26	337.74	
2,373.00	1,813.45	559.55	

	Appropriations	Other Credits
EDUCATION		
Common Schools	41,373.72	
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RECREATION		
Monson Free Pub. Library	300.00	30.00
Recreation Program	400.00	
Recreation Project		1,719.24
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	700.00	1,749.24
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CEMETERIES		
General Care	1,100.00	1,274.38
Lake Road Cemetery		367.55
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	1,100.00	1,641.93
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Total Available	Expenditures and Debits	Bal. at Jan. 31, 1970	
		Lapsed (O'draft) Unexp'd	Carried (O'draft) Unexp'd
<u>41,373.72</u>	<u>41,373.72</u>		
330.00	330.00		
400.00	319.02	80.98	
1,719.24			1,719.24
<u>2,449.24</u>	<u>649.02</u>	<u>80.98</u>	<u>1,719.24</u>
2,374.38	2,400.00	(25.62)	
367.55	73.96		293.59
<u>2,741.93</u>	<u>2,473.96</u>	<u>(25.62)</u>	<u>293.59</u>

TOWN OF MONSON

	Appro- priations	Other Credits
INDEBTEDNESS		
Municipal Bldg. Note	1,750.00	
Fire Equip. Note	1,500.00	
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	\$3,250.00	
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INTEREST		
Fire Equipment	284.50	
New Municipal Bldg.	1,456.95	
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	1,741.45	
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SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS		
County Tax	1,598.00	
Overlay	1,126.43	591.24
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	2,724.43	591.24
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Total Available	Expenditures and Debits	Bal. at Jan. 31, 1970	
		Lapsed (O'draft) Unexp'd	Carried (O'draft) Unexp'd
1,750.00	1,750.00		
1,500.00	1,500.00		
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3,250.00	3,250.00		
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284.50	347.50	(63.00)	
1,456.95	1,456.90	.05	
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1,741.45	1,804.40	(62.95)	
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1,598.00	1,598.00		
1,717.67	1,437.21	280.46	
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3,315.67	3,035.21	280.46	
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TOWN OF MONSON

	Appropriations	Other Credits	Total Available	Expenditures and Debits	Bal. at Jan. 31, 1970 Lapsed (O'draft) Unexp'd	Carried (O'draft) Unexp'd
UNCLASSIFIED						
Memorial Day	150.00		150.00	150.00		
Maine Publicity Bureau	25.00	50.00	75.00	25.00		50.00
Dutch Elm Disease		50.00	50.00		50.00	
Office Economic Opportunity		150.00	150.00			150.00
Tax Lien Costs		191.80	191.80	130.91	60.89	
Supplemental Taxes		21.00	21.00		21.00	
Discounts		951.52	951.52	951.52		
Abatements		450.20	450.20	450.20		
	<u>175.00</u>	<u>1,864.52</u>	<u>2,039.52</u>	<u>1,707.63</u>	<u>131.89</u>	<u>200.00</u>
TOTALS	<u>88,441.60</u>	<u>33,015.46</u>	<u>121,457.06</u>	<u>105,290.80</u>	<u>(759.16)</u>	<u>16,925.42</u>

ANNUAL TOWN WARRANT

To Anselm Swanson, or any other Constable in the Town of Monson, in the County of Piscataquis, and the State of Maine:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Monson, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Monson Gym, in said town, on Monday, the 16th day of March, A. D. 1970 at seven o'clock in the evening then and there to act on the following articles to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year and fix his compensation.

Art. 3. To choose three Selectmen who will also serve as Assessors and Overseers of the poor for the ensuing year and fix their compensation. 1st to serve a term of 3 years, 2nd to serve a term of 2 years, and 3rd to serve a term of one year.

Art. 4. To choose a Town Treasurer for the ensuing year and fix his compensation.

Art. 5. To choose a Fire Chief and to authorize him to form his department with complete authority over the same in behalf of the Town of Monson.

Art. 6. To choose all other necessary officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To see if the Town will vote to purchase security bonds for necessary town officers rather than accept local bondsmen.

Art. 8. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on its behalf to sell and dispose of any Real Estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon on such terms as they deem advisable and to execute and deliver quit-claim deeds for such property.

Art. 9. To see if the Town will vote to fix a time when taxes shall be due and payable.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will vote to allow a discount and, if so, what percent on taxes paid prior to June 15, 1970.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to charge interest, and if so, what percent on taxes remaining unpaid September 1, 1970 with said interest to begin on the above date.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to work those receiving town aid, the same work to be credited to their indebtedness to the town.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will vote to withhold sums of money due the town until such time as indebtedness shall have been paid.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for public health nursing, said sum to be expended by the Maine Department of Health and Welfare, Bureau of Health, for local public

health nursing services in Monson for the fiscal year July 1, 1970 - June 30, 1971.

Recommended \$170.00

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to accept the provisions of the State law relative to construction of State Aid Roads, and raise and appropriate a sum of money for roads, highways and bridges as follows:

A. Highway, general, including Sanding

Recommended \$4,000.00 plus Excise Taxes

B. Surface Treatment, Tar

Recommended \$5,000.00

C. State Aid Roads

Recommended \$2,312.00

D. Snow Plowing

Recommended \$6,835.02

Art. 16. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for General Government.

Recommended \$8,000.00

Art. 17. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Miscellaneous Charge.

Recommended \$1,800.00

Art. 18. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town Hall Expense.

Recommended \$1,000.00

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the protection of persons and property as follows:

A. Town Power

Recommended	\$3,000.00
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B. Fire Department

Recommended	\$2,000.00
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Art. 20. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to retire the Municipal notes of the Town with Guilford Trust Co.

A. New Municipal Building. Payment \$1,750.00

Interest	1,378.13
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Total	\$3,128.13
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B. New Fire Truck

Payment	\$1,500.00
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Interest	332.50
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Total	\$1,832.50
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Art. 21. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for charity accounts as follows:

A. Town Poor

Recommended	\$1,000.00
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B. Aid to Dependent Children

Recommended	\$1,300.00
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Art. 22. To see what sum, if any, the town will

vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of cemeteries as follows.

Recommended \$1,000.00

Art. 23. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Monson Free Public Library.

Recommended \$500.00

Art. 24. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the following accounts:

A. Memorial Day

Recommended \$150.00

B. Maine Publicity Bureau

Recommended \$25.00

Art. 25. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Office of Economic Opportunity Program and additional services provided by the Central Community Council.

Recommended \$100.00 from Surplus

Art. 26. To see what sum, if any the town will vote to raise and appropriate for a Summer Recreational Program.

Recommended \$400.00

Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to accept the sum of \$200.00 each for perpetual care of the cemetery lots as follows:

A. Annie & Alfred Howard

- B. J. C. Carlson
- C. Eric & Velma Brown
- D. J. Harvey Gilbert
- E. Phyllis & Frank Steward

Art. 28. To see what sum of money, if any, the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the insurance protection of town properties and liabilities of the town.

Recommended	\$3,500.00
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Art. 29. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to appoint one or more representatives to an area study committee to determine the feasibility of entering into a Hospital District for the purpose of constructing an area or regional hospital.

Art. 30. To see what action the town will take toward the forming of a committee for the Memorial Day exercises and also a committee to take care of the Christmas lighting of the town.

Art. 31. To see what action the town will take toward developing a public landing on Monson Pond.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the Piscataquis Sesquicentennial Celebration.

Recommended	\$200.00 from Surplus
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Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to take from surplus \$2,000.00 to start completing the downstairs area of the New Municipal Building.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to take from surplus \$1,500.00 to be used to extend the fire hydrant line up toward Tenny Hill.

Art. 35. To see if the town will vote to adopt the Maine State Retirement Plan for town employees.

Art. 36. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to apply interest collected from taxes and tax liens to accounts that may overdraft.

Art. 37. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to apply to the Maine State Environment Improvement Commission under Title 38, Sec. 412 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, as amended, for a grant of \$5,000.00 to be applied towards the cost of preparation and final drawings and specifications and cost estimate of a sanitary sewerage system for the Town of Monson.

Art. 38. To elect a Director to the Board of Directors of S. A. D. No. 68 for a term of three years.

The registrar gives notice that he will be open regular office hours Monday March 16th, 1970 for the purpose of correcting the list of voters. Must be registered voter of town to vote.

Given under our hands this twenty-sixth day of February, A .D. 1970

FRANK W. NELSON

PAUL B. ALLEN

JAMES D. CANDERS

Selectmen of the Town of Monson

A true copy, attest: Anselm Swanson

Constable of the Town of Monson



1969 WINNER FOR INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION
OF FOREST FIRE PREVENTION POSTERS

Courtesy of Rolanda Hunt, Grade 9, Camden

