

1970

Annual Report of the Municipal Officers of the Town of Monson Maine For the Year 1970

Monson (Me.).

Follow this and additional works at: <https://digitalcommons.library.umaine.edu/towndocs>

Repository Citation

Monson (Me.), "Annual Report of the Municipal Officers of the Town of Monson Maine For the Year 1970" (1970). *Maine Town Documents*. 2199.

<https://digitalcommons.library.umaine.edu/towndocs/2199>

This Report is brought to you for free and open access by DigitalCommons@UMaine. It has been accepted for inclusion in Maine Town Documents by an authorized administrator of DigitalCommons@UMaine. For more information, please contact um.library.technical.services@maine.edu.



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

OF THE

TOWN OF MONSON

MAINE

FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 1970-
1971

BRING THIS REPORT WITH YOU

the 1990s, the number of people with a mental health problem has increased in the UK, and the number of people with a mental health problem who are in contact with mental health services has also increased (Mental Health Act 1983, 1990, 1994, 1997, 2003).

There is a growing awareness of the need to improve the lives of people with a mental health problem, and to reduce the stigma and discrimination that they experience. This has led to a number of initiatives, including the development of mental health services that are more user-centred and that are more focused on the needs of people with a mental health problem (Mental Health Act 1983, 1990, 1994, 1997, 2003).

One of the key initiatives in this area is the development of self-help materials. These materials are designed to help people with a mental health problem to understand their condition, to manage their symptoms, and to improve their quality of life. Self-help materials can be developed in a number of formats, including books, leaflets, and audio and video materials.

Self-help materials can be developed for a number of different purposes. They can be used to help people with a mental health problem to understand their condition, to manage their symptoms, and to improve their quality of life. They can also be used to help people with a mental health problem to access mental health services, and to participate in mental health services.

Self-help materials can be developed for a number of different audiences. They can be developed for people with a mental health problem, for their families and carers, and for mental health professionals. They can also be developed for the general public, to help them to understand mental health problems and to reduce the stigma and discrimination that people with a mental health problem experience.

Self-help materials can be developed in a number of formats. They can be developed as books, leaflets, and audio and video materials. They can also be developed as interactive materials, such as computer programs and websites. Self-help materials can be developed in a number of languages, and they can be developed for people with different levels of literacy and numeracy skills.

Self-help materials can be developed for a number of different purposes. They can be used to help people with a mental health problem to understand their condition, to manage their symptoms, and to improve their quality of life. They can also be used to help people with a mental health problem to access mental health services, and to participate in mental health services.

Self-help materials can be developed for a number of different audiences. They can be developed for people with a mental health problem, for their families and carers, and for mental health professionals. They can also be developed for the general public, to help them to understand mental health problems and to reduce the stigma and discrimination that people with a mental health problem experience.

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

FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR 1970 - 1971

BRING THIS REPORT WITH YOU

Hutchins 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 1970-1971 is contained in the following Annual Report.

The town ended its fiscal year January 31, 1971 with a surplus of twelve thousand, seven hundred forty-three dollars and eighty-eight 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 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 15, 1971 to act on your town's business for 1971.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT E. LANDER

Town Manager

TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator—Rev. Douglas Brayton

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor

Frank W. Nelson Hollis Nelson 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—Murray Church

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—Dr. Isaac Nelson

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
Worden Smith

Robert Greenleaf
James D. Candors

Amounts Raised by Town March 16, 1970

General Government	\$ 8,000.00
Miscellaneous	1,800.00
Town Hall	1,000.00
Fire Department	2,000.00
Insurance	3,500.00
Town Power	3,000.00
Health Nurse	170.00
Highway	4,000.00
Snow Plowing	6,835.02
Town Tar	5,000.00
State Aid Roads	2,132.00
Town Poor	1,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	1,300.00
Library	500.00
Recreation	800.00
Memorial Day	150.00
Maine Publicity Bureau	25.00
Cemeteries	1,000.00
Fire Truck Note	1,500.00
Town Hall Note	1,750.00
Interest Fire Truck & Town Hall	1,710.63
	<hr/>
	\$47,172.65
Voted to take from Surplus:	
Central Community Council	150.00
Piscataquis Sesquicentennial	200.00
Municipal Building	2,000.00
Hydrant Line	1,500.00
	<hr/>
	\$3,850.00
Total Voted and Approved	\$51,022.65

TOWN OF MONSON

5

1970 Tax Abatements

Maud & Vivienne Bray, error in assessment	\$ 54.84
Ralph Brown, veteran	189.00
Richard Delano, error in assessment	18.48
William Dickinson, deceased	3.00
Glen Kelly, deceased	3.00
	<hr/>
	\$268.32

1968 Tax Abatements

Frank Cowan Heirs	\$7.20
-------------------	--------

1966 Tax Abatements

Sally Vainio	\$117.12
--------------	----------

1965 Tax Abatements

Sally Vainio	\$110.10
	<hr/>
	\$502.74

Total Raised for Taxation 1971 - 1972

		\$96,710.56
Commitment, Town of Monson	\$45,123.30	
Commitment, S. A. D. No. 68	47,172.65	
County Tax	3,102.00	
Overlay Account	1,312.61	
	<hr/>	\$96,710.56
1970 Tax Abatements	\$ 268.32	
1970 Tax Discount	986.20	
1970 Taxes Collected	89,009.46	
1970 Taxes Uncollected	6,446.58	
	<hr/>	\$96,710.56

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Valuation: Town of Monson

Real Estate, Resident	\$668,090.00
Real Estate, Non-Resident	392,890.00
	\$1,060,980.00
Personal Estate, Resident	\$173,440.00
Personal Estate, Non-Resident	14,860.00
	\$188,300.00
Total Assessed Valuation	\$1,249,280.00

Assessment

Valuation x Rate	
1,249,280.00 x 77	\$96,194.56
172 Polls x \$3.00	516.00
	\$96,710.56

Computation of Assessment

Appropriations	\$47,172.65
S. A. D. No. 68 Assessment	45,123.30
County Tax	3,102.00
Overlay	1,312.61
	\$96,710.56

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1970 Uncollected Taxes

Name	Poll	Pers.	Real	Total
Burke, Adolph	\$3.00	\$	\$132.44	\$135.44
Burke, Carl	3.00		110.88	‡113.88
Bohan, Paul & Lorraine			140.14	140.14
Bernard, Benjamin	3.00		92.40	95.40
Bray, Michael	3.00			*3.00
Christensen, Meredith			140.14	140.14
Cook, Clarence			20.02	20.02
Cowan, Frank, Heirs			92.40	92.40
Crockett, James & Mabel	3.00		138.60	141.60
Erickson, Paul			201.74	201.74
Erickson, Henry & Anna	3.00		109.34	112.34
Freeh, Leo & Marlene	3.00		198.66	201.66
Grant, Alfred & Beverly	3.00	3.08	180.18	186.26
Greenleaf, Robert			177.10	177.10
Jones, Francis & Ruth			174.02	174.02
Jones, Thaxter			340.34	340.34
Johnson, Byron	3.00			3.00
Korsman, Maila			183.26	183.26
Korsman, Arvo, Jr.			23.10	23.10
Kronholm, Edgar	3.00		123.20	126.20
Kronholm, Colby & Barbara	3.00		107.80	110.80
Kugler, Edw. & Aimee		32.34	469.70	502.04
Kananen, Richard	3.00		231.00	234.00
Melia, Malcolm	3.00		137.06	140.06

MacDonald, Harold & Aili			207.90	207.90
Nasberg, Albion, Heirs			98.56	98.56
Pratt, Philip			20.02	†20.02
Philbrook, Edward & Charlene	3.00	3.08	152.46	158.54
Pullyard, Keith & Joyce			163.24	163.24
Reed, Wayne		61.60		61.60
Sandberg, John		64.68	157.08	221.76
Stanchfield, Gerald	3.00		72.38	75.38
Storer, Henry & Betty			192.58	192.58
Sargent, Claire			138.44	†138.44
Suomi, Corrine			130.90	130.90
Sawyer, Robert & Caroline	3.00		141.68	144.68
Shaw, Keith & Lucy			226.38	226.38
Smith, Hazel			92.40	92.40
Shaw, Philip	3.00			3.00
Thompkins, Barbara			107.80	107.80
Turner, Valentine & Frances			89.72	†89.72
Thomas Richard			75.00	75.00
Vainio, Veikko			92.40	‡92.40
	51.00	164.78	5,682.46	5,898.24

1970 Uncollected Taxes, Non-Resident

Name	Pers.	Real	Total
Beaupre, Leo & Marjorie		120.22	120.22
Bowen, Robert		23.10	23.10
Berner, Ferman		200.20	200.20
Cunha, Ruth & Fisher, Janice		53.90	53.90
Clark, Florence		15.40	15.40
Lyons, Robert	23.10		23.10

TOWN OF MONSON

9

O'Mara, Joseph Jr. & Helen	7.70	7.70
Taylor, Gordon	104.72	104.72
	<hr/>	
	23.10	548.34

‡ Paid in full

† Partial payment

* Poll tax paid

1969 Uncollected Taxes

1969 Uncoll. Taxes. Jan. 31, 1970	\$6,135.00	
1969 Taxes transferred to tax liens	3,856.74	
1969 Taxes collected	2,213.25	
Delinquent:		
Edward Kugler	37.01	
Wayne Reed	28.00	
	<hr/>	
		\$6,135.00

1968 Uncollected Taxes

1968 Uncoll. taxes, Jan. 31, 1970	\$49.08	
1968 Taxes collected	39.00	
Delinquent:		
Malcolm Page	2.88	
Gerald Stanchfield	7.20	
	<hr/>	
		\$49.08

1967 Uncollected Taxes

1967 Uncollected Taxes, Jan. 31, 1970	\$10.40
1967 Taxes collected	10.40
	<hr/>

1969 Tax Liens

1969 Tax liens uncoll. Jan. 31, '70 \$3,626.25
 1969 Tax liens coll. by treasurer 1,007.40

Delinquent:

Adolph Burke	120.40	
Benjamin Bernard	34.00	
Florence Clark	28.00	
Frank Cowan Heirs	84.00	
Henry & Anna Erickson	99.40	
Leo & Marlene Freeh	180.60	
Robert Greenleaf	161.00	
Francis & Ruth Jones	140.00	
Thaxter Jones	309.40	
Korsman, Maila	166.60	
Arvo Korsman, Jr.	18.71	
Edgar Kronholm	112.00	
Colby & Barbara Kronholm	98.00	
Edward & Aimee Kugler	582.40	
Robert Leavitt	186.20	
Malcolm, Melia	32.14	
Gerald Stanchfield	39.20	
Henry & Betty Storer	226.80	
	<hr/>	
	2,618.85	
		\$3,626.25

1968 Tax Liens

1968 Tax Liens Uncollected Jan.
 31, 1970 \$1,806.60
 1968 Tax Liens Collected by Treas. 1,609.08

Delinquent:

Frank Cowan Heirs	86.40
Colby & Barbara Kronholm	70.80

TOWN OF MONSON

11

Gerald Stanchfield	40.32	
	<hr/>	
	\$197.52	
		\$1,806.60

1967 Tax Liens

1967 Tax Liens Uncollected Jan.	
31, 1970	\$431.87
1967 Tax Liens Collected by Treas.	431.87
	<hr/>

1966 Tax Liens

1966 Tax Liens Uncollected Jan.	
31, 1970	\$199.02
1966 Tax Liens Collected by Treas.	81.90
1966 Tax Lien Abated	117.12
	<hr/>
	\$199.02

1965 Tax Liens

1965 Tax Liens Uncollected Jan.	
31, 1970	\$110.10
1965 Tax Liens Abated	110.10
	<hr/>

TREASURER'S REPORT

Balance on hand, Feb. 1, 1970	
Guilford Trust Company	\$ 22,315.41
Receipts for the Year	123,542.84
	<hr/>
	\$145,858.25
Warrants Paid	\$124,068.68
Balance on Hand, Feb. 1, 1971	21,789.57
	<hr/>
	\$145,858.25

General Government

Balance, Feb. 1, 1970	\$ 671.62	
Appropriation	8,000.00	
Received Water Co.	550.00	
	<hr/>	
		\$9,221.62

Salaries

Robert Lander, Town Manager	\$6,064.50	
Robert Lander, Treasurer	250.00	
S. A. Robinson, Town Clerk	150.00	
S. A. Robinson, Registrar of Voters	25.00	
Assessors:		
Frank Nelson	300.00	
Paul Allen	300.00	
Hollis Nelson	300.00	
Glenda Smith	411.13	
	<hr/>	
		\$7,800.63

General Government Expenses

Town Manager	\$403.00	
Town Clerk	124.44	
Assessors	108.27	
Balance Feb. 1, 1971	785.28	
		\$9,221.62

Incidentals

Appropriations	\$1,800.00	
Expended:		
Postage	\$150.29	
Ballot Clerks	96.00	
Moderator	5.00	
Town Report & Tax Bills	301.33	
Town Office	88.90	
Town Clerk Supplies	94.57	
Water Rent	22.00	
Audit	470.11	
Misc.	381.09	
Supplies for Clinic	64.47	
Transferred to Town Hall Account	126.24	
		\$1,800.00

Town Hall Expense

Appropriation	\$1,000.00	
Overdraft	233.74	
Received from Incidentals	126.24	
		\$1,359.98
Expended:		
Fuel	\$666.68	

Telephone	295.09	
Supplies & Equipment	279.54	
Misc.	85.88	
Repairs	10.79	
Water	22.00	
		\$1,359.98

Monson Fire Department

Appropriation	\$2,000.00	
Received	672.00	
		\$2,672.00

Expended :

Telephone Alarm System	\$369.52	
Repairs	362.68	
Supplies & Equipment	545.61	
Gas & Oil	53.55	
Misc.	108.45	
Chief	200.00	
Payroll	510.00	
Balance to 1970-1971	522.19	
		\$2,672.00

Civil Defense

Balance to Feb. 1, 1970	230.55	
Received	50.00	
		\$280.55

Expended :

John Ruksznis	\$100.00	
Supplies	107.95	
Balance to Jan. 31, 1971	72.60	
		\$280.55

Town Power

Appropriation	\$3,000.00	
Expended:		
Central Maine Power Co.	2,455.13	
Balance to Summary	544.87	
	<hr/>	\$3,000.00

Public Nurse

Appropriation	\$170.00
Expended	170.00
	<hr/>

Municipal Building Note

Appropriation	\$1,750.00
Expended	1,750.00
	<hr/>

Fire Truck Note

Appropriation	\$1,500.00
Expended	1,500.00
	<hr/>

Highways

Bal. Jan. 31, 1970	\$ 2,327.01	
Appropriation	4,000.00	
Received	184.93	
1970-1971 Excise Tax	11,280.04	
	<hr/>	\$17,791.98
Expended:		
Clarence Pratt, Labor	\$5,193.75	

Labor	805.69	
Supplies	191.55	
Bushes, Mowing, Trees	383.94	
Winter Sand, Barrow Falls Road	160.00	
Culverts	1,488.99	
Calcium Chloride	113.40	
Truck & Tractor Rental	3,600.00	
Bulldozer and Backhoe	664.60	
Salt	1,129.74	
Misc.	280.81	
Gravel & Cold Patch	254.20	
Snow Fence	389.76	
Balance to 1971	3,135.55	
		\$17,791.98

Highway Equipment

Balance to Feb. 1, 1970	\$7,794.43	
Received, Rental, Truck & Tractor	3,600.00	
		\$11,394.43
Expended:		
Gas & Oil	\$1,221.93	
Repairs	437.64	
New Tires	177.58	
Balance to 1971	9,378.28	
New Chain Saw	179.00	
		\$11,394.43

Snow Plowing

Balance to Feb. 1, 1970	\$3,688.98	
Appropriation	6,835.02	
Received, Treas. of State of Maine	1,483.95	
		\$12,007.95

TOWN OF MONSON

17

Expended:

Farrin Bros. & Smith	\$10,524.00	
Balance to 1971	1,483.95	
	<hr/>	\$12,007.95

Surface Treatment, Tar

Appropriation	\$5,000.00
---------------	------------

Expended:

Commercial Paving Co.	5,000.00
	<hr/>

State Aid Roads

Appropriation	\$2,132.00
---------------	------------

Expended:

Treas. State of Maine	\$1,066.00
Balance to 1971	1,066.00
	<hr/>

\$2,132.00

Town Road Improvement

Expended: Willimantic Road	\$397.00
Overdraft to Summary	397.00
	<hr/>

Town Poor

Appropriation	\$1,000.00
---------------	------------

Received:

Treas. U.S.A.	192.00
Overdraft to Summary	528.12
	<hr/>

\$1,720.12

Town of Monson Poor:

Case No. 1	\$260.69	
Case No. 2	235.00	
Case No. 3	250.00	
Case No. 4	30.00	
Case No. 5	379.85	
Case No. 6	69.78	
Case No. 7	73.53	
Case No. 8	40.00	
Express on Surplus Food	331.27	
Used Refrigerator	50.00	
		\$1,720.12

Aid to Dependent Children

Appropriation	\$1,300.00	
Overdraft to Summary	78.90	
		\$1,378.90

Expended:

Case No. 1	\$ 21.60	
Case No. 2	221.40	
Case No. 3	528.66	
Case No. 4	221.40	
Case No. 5	114.48	
Case No. 6	180.64	
Case No. 7	90.72	
		\$1,378.90

Common Schools

Appropriated to S.A.D. No. 68	\$45,123.30
Expended to S.A.D. No. 68	45,123.30

Monson Public Library

Appropriation	\$500.00	
Received	30.00	
		<hr/>
		\$530.00
Expended	\$530.00	

Memorial Day

Appropriation	\$150.00
Expended to Legion Post No. 116	150.00
	<hr/>

Recreation Program

Balance Feb. 1, 1970	\$1,719.24	
Expended:		
Fence at Schoolyard	1,513.31	
Balance to 1971	205.93	
	<hr/>	
		\$1,719.24

Recreation Director

Appropriation	800.00	
Received, Treas., State of Maine	294.00	
Received, Worden Smith	34.00	
	<hr/>	
		\$1,128.00
Expended:		
U. of M. Gorham	240.00	
Supplies and Float	170.99	
Transportation	78.40	
Material County Parade	219.90	
Balance to Feb. 1, 1971	418.71	
	<hr/>	
		\$1,128.00

Maine Publicity Bureau

Appropriation	\$25.00	
Balance Feb. 1, 1970	50.00	
	<hr/>	\$75.00
Expended	\$25.00	
Balance to 1971	50.00	
	<hr/>	\$75.00

Cemeteries

Appropriation	\$1,000.00	
Received Perpetual Care	1,640.00	
Received Honor Roll Soldier	52.40	
Received	538.94	
	<hr/>	\$3,231.34
Expended:		
Weldon Connor	\$3,231.34	

Lake Road Cemeteries

Balance Feb. 1, 1970	\$293.59	
Received	30.00	
	<hr/>	\$323.59
Expended:		
Balance to 1971	\$323.59	

Interest Account

Collected	\$508.76	
Expended to Overlay	508.76	
	<hr/>	

Tax Lien Cost

Collected	\$153.10	
Expended	148.33	
Balance to 1971	4.77	
	<hr/>	\$153.10

Petty Cash

Feb. 1, 1970	\$100.00	
Feb. 1, 1971	100.00	
	<hr/>	

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

Feb. 1, 1970 Balance	\$250.00	
Interest Earned	12.65	
	<hr/>	\$262.65

Feb. 1, 1970 Balance	\$262.65	
Expended to Cemeteries	12.65	
	<hr/>	\$250.00

Honor Roll

Balance to Feb. 1, 1970	\$375.25	
Interest Earned	18.97	
	<hr/>	\$394.22

Feb. 1, 1971	\$394.22	
Interest Expended to Cemeteries	18.97	
	<hr/>	\$375.25

Chapin Trust Fund

Balance Feb. 1, 1970	\$2,743.87	
Interest Earned	138.87	
	<hr/>	\$2,882.74
Balance Feb. 1, 1971	\$2,882.74	

Wentworth Trust Fund

Feb. 1, 1970	\$945.22	
Interest Earned	47.82	
	<hr/>	\$993.04
Balance Feb. 1, 1971	507.22	
Expended	485.82	
	<hr/>	\$993.04

Town of Monson Savings Account No. 1108

Balance Feb. 1, 1970	\$3,877.35	
Interest Earned	196.27	
	<hr/>	\$4,073.62
Balance Feb. 1, 1971		4,073.62

Perpetual Care

Balance Feb. 1, 1970	\$4,421.76	
Interest Earned	221.24	
New Investments	1,300.00	
	<hr/>	\$5,943.00
Balance Feb. 1, 1971	\$5,700.98	
Expended to Cemeteries	242.02	
	<hr/>	\$5,943.00

School and Ministerial Account

Balance Feb. 1, 1970	\$994.76	
Received Interest	50.32	
	<hr/>	
		\$1,045.08
Balance Feb. 1, 1971		1,045.08

Monson Spring Water Co.

August 1968 Loan of	\$6,000.00
Feb. 1, 1971 Debt of	6,000.00
	<hr/>

County Tax

Appropriation	\$3,102.00
Expended:	
Treas. Piscataquis County	3,102.00
	<hr/>

Overlay

Appropriation	\$1,312.61	
Received from Interest Account	595.28	
	<hr/>	
		\$1,907.89
Expended:		
1970 Tax Discount	\$986.20	
1970 Tax Abatement	502.74	
Balance to Summary	418.95	
	<hr/>	
		\$1,907.89

Summary of Accounts

Town Hall Expense	Overdraft Unexpended
	\$233.74

Town Power		\$544.87
Town Poor	528.12	
Aid Dependent Children	78.90	
Town Road Improvement	397.00	
Insurance	14.88	
Interest, Building & Fire Truck		43.13
Interest & Overlay Accounts		418.95
Tax Lien Cost		4.77
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	\$1,252.64	\$1,011.72
1970 Overdraft	\$1,252.64	
1970 Unexpended	\$1,011.72	
Balance from Surplus	240.92	

Town of Monson Surplus

Balance Feb. 1, 1970	\$14,859.24	
Received	2,017.13	
	<hr/>	
		\$16,876.37
Expended:		
Voted at Town Meeting	\$3,891.57	
Summary of Accounts	240.92	
Balance Feb. 1, 1971	12,743.88	
	<hr/>	
		\$16,876.37

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

Balance of Notes with Guilford Trust Co. Town Hall		\$29,750.00
Balance of Notes with Guilford Trust Co Fire Truck		5,500.00
Note, Tolford Durham-Water Co.		6,000.00
		<hr/>
Total of Municipal Notes		\$41,250.00

REPORT OF TOWN MANAGER

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

The past year has been a year of progress in the town. The recreation area at the school has been completed and a twelve foot chain link fence has been installed. Now that this area is complete, I would like to see the beach area improved. Since the Town bought this property it has been used a great deal by young and old alike.

The Sewer Study has been completed by Wright, Pierce and Wyman of Topsham, Maine. A grant of Five Thousand dollars from the State of Maine has been paid to the Town of Monson. This will reduce the loan from the Federal Government to about two thousand three hundred dollars.

Highways: The town road improvement funds were again applied to the Willimantic road. This finished the Willimantic road. Frost Hill on the Steward road was also rebuilt with Town Road Improvement funds. This was a much needed improvement. Regular maintenance was carried out on town streets and ways.

Two sections of State Aid Highway were rebuilt in 1970 also. The Elliottsville road was completed. This is a great improvement on this section of highway in summer maintenance and also in snowplowing. Four tenths of a mile of the Barrow's Falls road was rebuilt and is now a State Aid Highway. This was done by a special grant of the State Highway Commission.

Tarring was done by the Commercial Paving Co. of South Portland.

Snowplowing as for the past twenty years was done by Farrin Bros. & Smith of Brighton, Maine.

Cemeteries: This past year, work in the Town Cemeteries has been done by Weldon Connor. More improvement has been made at the Hillside yard. All yards were sprayed this past year. This should kill most all weeds. The old yard in back of the Church was finished this past year. This now has been completely reloaded and reseeded. Money for this work was taken from the Wentworth Trust Funds. Again, I wish to thank Mr. Connor for the pride and time he spends in keeping the town cemeteries looking proper at all times.

Recreation: The recreation program was again sponsored under the Youth Study Program of the Federal Government. Miss Eleanor LaPointe was the director for the ten week program. Mothers of the community also helped in the transportation of the smaller children to and from the beach. As money is made available, the land around the beach can be much improved.

Worden Smith also spent a great deal of time with the younger boys in the Jr. Baseball League.

Water Co.: There have been no major problems with the water company this past year. It is hoped to make some replacements this coming year in the Center St. area. The Directors and Selectmen voted to pay only the interest on the Water Co. note, so as to have money available to make these improvements.

Again I would like to say thank you to the citizens and taxpayers of Monson, for their co-operation and understanding of the problems of the Town. It has been most enjoying to work with you.

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT E. LANDER
TOWN MANAGER

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Jan. 1, 1970 — Dec. 31, 1970

The Monson Free Public Library, observed National Library Week, by having a display of adult and children's books.

The Traveling Art Exhibit, from Bowdoin College, was on display in the library during the month of June. There was no expense to the library. The library was kept open every afternoon by the librarian and volunteer workers.

National Children's Book Week, was observed with a display of delightful children's books.

The library purchased the 1970 edition of the World Book Encyclopedia. A set of Britannica Encyclopedias was given to the library.

A sum of money was donated to the library in memory of Mr. Arnold Sayer.

The library borrowed 293 books from the Maine State Bookmobile, 7 books from the Bangor Public Library and 51 books from the Maine State Library. 137 books were given to the library.

The Library Association thanks all who have contributed books to the library. A special thanks to our non-resident friends. Thank you to all volunteer helpers.

The circulation of books for the year is very gratifying.

1596 Children's Books

2131 Adult Fiction

260	Non Fiction
441	Adult Bookmobile Books
79	Magazines
<hr/>	
4507	Total Circulation
85	Record Albums

The library purchased 46 adult books, 35 children's books and 5 magazines. There are several magazines given to the library.

Library Association Officers

President	Mrs. John Durham
Vice President	Mrs. Oliver Jackson
Secretary	Mrs. Viola Michele
Treasurer	Mr. Wayne Huff
Auditor	Mr. James Durham
Librarian	Miss Vivienne Bray
Assistant Librarian	Mrs. George Wentworth

Trustees

Mrs. John Durham	Mr. Robert Brown
Mrs. Oliver Jackson	Mr. James Durham
Mrs. Howard Thompson	Mr. Wayne Huff
Mrs. George Wentworth	Mrs. Donald MacPherson

VIVIENNE BRAY, Librarian

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

The following fires were extinguished by the Monson Fire Dept. during this past year:

- 2. Chimney Fires
 - 1. Flooded Oil Burner
 - 1. Grass Fire at Willimantic involving a trailer
 - 1. Roof Fire at Blanchard with minor damage
 - 2. Minor Fires at Moosehead Mfg. Co.
 - 2. Grass Fires in town
 - 1. Mutual Aid call to Guilford

The Department laid 550 feet of six inch pipe toward Tenney Hill, giving us a better supply in that area.

Extra curricular activities participated in were our Baked Bean Supper, our calendar program, both were very successful, and we want to express our appreciation to the townspeople and business establishments who contributed toward these activities. The proceeds from these programs were applied toward our Firemens Disaster Fund.

Our Blood Bank was donated to by many firemen and townspeople. We hope to increase our donations next year, as a mobile unit is now available and one may donate without going out of town.

We thank you for your co-operation in the past year, and remind you. "Don't give a fire a place to start". If you do have a fire, no matter how small, call the Fire Department. Don't forget our number 997-3646.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. RUKSZNIS
Fire Chief

RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The summer recreation program began on June 22nd and ran for ten weeks throughout the summer. My tentative schedule for the program was as follows:

8-10 a. m. — games and sports in the school yard.

10-11 a. m. — swimming lessons, 1st and 2nd grades

11-12 a. m. — swimming lessons, 3rd and 4th grades

12:30-1:30 p. m. — swimming lessons, 5th grade and up.

1:30 - 4:00 p. m. Free Swim.

The first two hours of the morning were a kind of open period during which the children chose what they wanted to do. Among the games and sports which they played were kickball, softball, frisbee, whiffle ball, basketball and badminton. This period was what the children wanted to make it and was for all age groups. At 10 o'clock, I began swimming lessons on the beach for the first and second graders and some preschoolers. With this group, I was most successful. It was my largest group and yet they were the easiest to work with because at this time of the morning I had very little interference from other groups. At 11 o'clock, third and fourth graders were on the beach. This group was much smaller than the first, but equally attentive. After lunch fifth graders and up were supposed to have lessons, but frequently this did not prove true because there were too many other children on the beach to allow me to give my attention only to one group. The rest of the afternoon was devoted to a free swim for all age young people. This was quite successful, but at the same time quite tedious because of the number of children and the wide range of swimming abilities.

There are many suggestions I would like to make in ways of improving the summer recreation program. The beach especially is in desperate need of improvement. A specific swimming area should be marked off in some way to keep boats out and allot a certain place which can be used for lessons at specific times. I tried twice to mark off a certain area, but was very unsuccessful. I would suggest a log boom or something of that nature which would prove hard to destroy. It would also be very good if the beach area was marked off so that cars would be unable to get near where the children are swimming or playing. Another important suggestion that I have is to have a second wharf built for the children. One of my biggest problems this summer was that the older kids would get on the wharf and start a game of pushing everyone off the wharf. It was practically impossible to stop this game once it started, and for this reason, younger children who were able to swim were not allowed on the wharf simply because they were smaller in size. This left the smaller children at quite a disadvantage because they also enjoy diving from a wharf, but were unable to do this except during specific lesson times. Another recommendation is that the town buy the children some decent recreation equipment. On cold days when we couldn't swim, one of the worst problems I faced was not having a selection of decent equipment which the children could use. My last recommendation concerns transportation which I feel should be provided to and from the beach area. During the summer, the road to the beach is usually covered with children going to and from the beach. Many drivers don't realize this, and the road becomes increasingly more treacherous for the children. It does seem to me that some way of transporting the children to and from the beach at specific times could be provided.

At this time, I would like to thank the mothers in town who were a great help to me on the beach, on the outing, and helped provide transportation.

I feel the summer recreation program to be a very worthwhile project which could be extremely successful if only more people realized the value of such a program. Through this program, the young people of the town have a chance to channel their excess energies into worthwhile activities. But improvements are necessary, and I feel these improvements can be provided quite easily with the help of all the townspeople.

Respectfully submitted,

ELEANOR LAPOINTE

State of Maine
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE
Augusta, Maine

Chairman

Board of Selectmen

Subject: Material for Town Report

Dear Sir:

During the year your community has been provided with the services of a public health nurse from the Division of Public Health Nursing, Department of Health and Welfare. A report of these services is enclosed. We know that many individuals in the town helped the nurse to carry out her program. We acknowledge with appreciation their cooperation and assistance.

We have endeavored to make an equitable distribution of the cost of the service and hope you will agree that we have made a fair estimate of the share to be paid by your town. If you wish to have the public health nursing service continued, will you please have the enclosed article printed in the town warrant to be acted upon at town meeting.

Sincerely yours,

DEAN FISHER, M. D.

Commissioner

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 in the Year 1970**

The service of the Division of Public Health Nursing was available throughout the year. The public health nurse admitted sixteen residents for home nursing care. Thirteen of the patients were already admitted to service during the previous year and three were admitted during 1970. The new patients were referred by the Child Health Conference, a town official, and one patient himself. List 1 presents the number of patients and the number of visits by type of case.

List 1

Type of Case	Number of Patients	Number of Visits
Crippling Condition	4	24
Communicable disease	5	27
Mental retardation	1	9
Health promotion	2	7
Condition unclassified	4	20
Total	16	87

List 2 presents the number of patients and nurse visits by age group.

List 2

Age Group	Number of Patients	Number of Visits
Under 1 year	1	8
1 through 5 years	6	38
6 through 20 years	1	6
21 through 64 years	6	26
65 years and older	2	9
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Total	16	87

The public health nurse made five visits in behalf of patients to other individuals including physicians, town officials and other involved persons.

The nurse organized and managed two child health conferences and an Immunization Clinic in the spring. Preschool children from Monson, Blanchard Plantation and Willimantic were invited. Twenty-two children attended and were given physical examinations by a physician. Thirteen doses of old fashioned measles vaccine, twenty-five doses of oral polio vaccine and thirty-six doses of DPT vaccine were administered to the children as needed. A German Measles Immunization Clinic was held at the town hall in August for the same preschool age group. Sixteen children attended and were given vaccine by the attending physician.

Respectfully submitted,

VALERIE MORRELL, R. N.

Public Health Nurse

AUDITOR'S REPORT

February 14, 1971

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, 1971. 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, 1971, 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

EXHIBIT D

STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS
TOWN OF MONSON

Year Ended January 31, 1971

TOWN OF MONSON

37

	Appro- priations	Other Credits	Total Available	Expendi- tures and Debits	Bal. at Jan. 31, 1971 Lapsed (O'draft) Unexp'd	Carried (O'draft) Unexp'd
GENERAL GOVERNMENT						
Town Charges	\$8,000.00	\$1,221.62	\$9,221.62	\$8,436.34	\$	\$ 785.28
Town Hall Expense	1,000.00	126.24	1,126.24	1,359.98	(233.74)	
New building, basement		2,000.00	2,000.00			2,000.00
Miscellaneous	1,800.00		1,800.00	1,800.00		
	<u>10,800.00</u>	<u>3,347.86</u>	<u>14,147.86</u>	<u>11,596.32</u>	<u>(233.74)</u>	<u>2,785.28</u>
PROTECTION						
Fire Department	2,000.00	672.00	2,672.00	2,149.81		522.19
Civil Defense		280.55	280.55	207.95		72.60
Insurance	3,500.00		3,500.00	3,514.88	(14.88)	

	Appropriations	Other Credits
Town Power	3,000.00	
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	8,500.00	952.55
	<hr/>	<hr/>

HEALTH AND SANITATION

Public Health Nurse	170.00	
Sewer Study		5,000.00
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	170.00	5,000.00
	<hr/>	<hr/>

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Highways, General	4,000.00	13,791.98
Highway Equipment		11,394.43
Snow Plowing	6,835.02	5,172.93
Surface Treatment, tar	5,000.00	
State Aid Rd. Const.	2,132.00	
State Aid Special Account		

Total Available	Expenditures and Debits	Bal. at Jan. 31, 1971 Lapsed (O'draft) Unexp'd	Carried (O'draft) Unexp'd
3,000.00	2,455.13	544.87	
<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
9,452.55	8,327.77	529.99	594.79
<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
170.00	170.00		
5,000.00			5,000.00
<hr/>	<hr/>		<hr/>
5,170.00	170.00		5,000.00
<hr/>	<hr/>		<hr/>
17,791.98	14,656.43		3,135.55
11,394.43	2,016.15		9,378.28
12,007.95	10,524.00		1,483.95
5,000.00	5,000.00		
2,132.00	1,066.00		1,066.00
	5,148.41		(5,148.41)

	Appro- priations	Other Credits
Town Road Improvement		
	<u>17,967.02</u>	<u>30,359.34</u>
WELFARE		
Town Poor	1,000.00	192.00
Aid to Dep. Children	1,300.00	
	<u>2,300.00</u>	<u>192.00</u>
EDUCATION		
Common Schools		45,123.30
RECREATION		
Monson Fr. Pub. Library	500.00	30.00
Recreation Program	800.00	328.00
Recreation Project		1,719.24
	<u>1,300.00</u>	<u>2,077.24</u>

Total Available	Expenditures and Debits 397.00	Bal. at Jan. 31, 1971	
		Lapsed (O'draft) Unexp'd (397.00)	Carried (O'draft) Unexp'd
<u>48,326.36</u>	<u>38,807.99</u>	<u>(397.00)</u>	<u>9,915.37</u>
1,192.00	1,720.12	(528.12)	
1,300.00	1,378.90	(78.90)	
<u>2,492.00</u>	<u>3,099.02</u>	<u>(607.02)</u>	
<u>45,123.30</u>	<u>45,123.30</u>		
530.00	530.00		
1,128.00	709.29		418.71
1,719.24	1,513.31		205.93
<u>3,377.24</u>	<u>2,752.60</u>		<u>624.64</u>

TOWN OF MONSON

	Appropriations	Other Credits
CEMETERIES		
General Care	1,000.00	2,231.34
Lake Road Cemetery		323.59
	<hr/> 1,000.00	<hr/> 2,554.93
INDEBTEDNESS		
Municipal Bldg. Note	1,750.00	
Fire Equipment Note	1,500.00	
	<hr/> 3,250.00	
INTEREST		
Municipal Building	1,378.13	
Fire Equipment	332.50	
	<hr/> 1,710.63	

Total Available	Expenditures and Debits	Bal. at Jan. 31, 1971 Lapsed (O'draft) Unexp'd	Carried (O'draft) Unexp'd
3,231.34	3,231.34		
323.59			323.59
<hr/>	<hr/>		<hr/>
3,554.93	3,231.34		323.59
<hr/>	<hr/>		<hr/>
1,750.00	1,750.00		
1,500.00	1,500.00		
<hr/>	<hr/>		
3,250.00	3,250.00		
<hr/>	<hr/>		
1,378.13	1,377.50	.63	
332.50	290.00	42.50	
<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	
1,710.63	1,667.50	43.13	
<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	

TOWN OF MONSON

	Appropriations	Other Credits	Total Available	Expenditures and Debits	Lapsed (O'draft) Unexp'd	Carried (O'draft) Unexp'd
SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS						
County Tax	3,102.00		3,102.00	3,102.00		
Overlay		1,907.89	1,907.89	1,488.94	418.95	
	<u>3,102.00</u>	<u>1,907.89</u>	<u>5,009.89</u>	<u>4,590.94</u>	<u>418.95</u>	
UNCLASSIFIED						
Memorial Day	150.00		150.00	150.00		
Maine Publicity Bureau	25.00	50.00	75.00	25.00		50.00
Tax Lien Cost		156.10	156.10	151.33	4.77	
	<u>175.00</u>	<u>206.10</u>	<u>381.10</u>	<u>326.33</u>	<u>4.77</u>	<u>50.00</u>
	<u>50,274.65</u>	<u>91,721.21</u>	<u>141,995.86</u>	<u>122,943.11</u>	<u>(240.92)</u>	<u>19,293.67</u>

EXHIBIT A

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

January 31, 1971 January 31, 1970

ASSETS

GENERAL FUND

Cash on hand and in bank:

General	\$21,789.57	\$22,315.41
Petty	100.00	100.00
	<u>21,889.57</u>	<u>22,415.41</u>
Accounts Receivable	809.94	629.76
Taxes Receivable	6,521.67	6,194.48
Tax Liens	2,816.37	2,547.59
	<u>32,037.55</u>	<u>31,787.24</u>
Total Current Assets		

DEBT FUND

Amt. Necessary to Retire Debt

From Future Revenue	\$41,250.00	\$44,500.00
	<u>41,250.00</u>	<u>44,500.00</u>

TRUST AND SPECIAL FUNDS

Trust Funds:

Securites	26,000.00	\$26,000.00
Time Deposits	9,319.54	8,360.85
	<u>35,319.54</u>	<u>34,360.85</u>
	\$35,319.54	\$34,360.85

Special Funds:

Special Reserve	\$5,118.70	\$3,877.35
Honor Roll	375.25	375.25
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	5,493.95	4,252.60
	<hr/>	<hr/>
Total	\$40,813.49	\$38,613.45
	<hr/>	<hr/>

ANNUAL TOWN WARRANT

To Robert Lander 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 15th day of March, A. D. 1971 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 one Selectman who will also serve as Assessor and Overseer of the Poor for three years and the fix the Board of Selectmen's compensation.

Recommended	\$900.00
-------------	----------

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, 1971.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to charge interest, and if so, what percent on taxes remaining unpaid September 1, 1971 with said interest to begin on the above date.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$170.00 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, 1971 - June 30, 1972.

Recommended

\$170.00

Art. 13. 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 \$2,132.00

D. Snow Plowing

Recommended \$9,040.05

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the certification and distribution of the Donated Commodities Program from the town to the local Office of Economic Opportunity or provide funds sufficient that certified individuals receive their quota.

Recommended \$600.00

Art. 15. To see if the Town will vote to accept from the Monson Better Health Association the sum of \$6,427.00 the same to be used from time to time as the Selectmen of the Town shall determine to improve the health and medical facilities, services and standards in the community of which the Town is a part; to make a continuing study and appraisal of existing conditions relating to the health of the community in general and the medical services and facilities available, and how any deficiencies in the same may be remedied; and to promote and establish, directly or indirectly, alone or in conjunction with others, such new health and medical service, agencies and institutions as shall seem to the Selectmen

to be for the best interests of the community.

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	\$1,200.00
-------------	------------

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
-------------	------------

B. Fire Department

Recommended	\$2,000.00
-------------	------------

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	1,264.38
----------	----------

Total	\$3,014.38
-------	------------

B. New Fire Truck	Payment	\$1,500.00
-------------------	---------	------------

Interest	210.00
----------	--------

Total	\$1,710.00
-------	------------

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	\$1,200.00
-------------	------------

B. Aid to Dependent Children

Recommended	\$1,300.00
-------------	------------

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	\$150.00 from Surplus
-------------	-----------------------

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

Recommended

Snow Sled Refunds

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. John Gust Mattson
- B. John Johnson
- C. Arthur & Ruth Johnson
- D. Henry Knight
- E. Edward & Manghild Emmanuelson
- F. Charlotte Le Claire
- G. Perley & Eugenie Stevens
- H. Ivan Issackson Estate

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

\$3,600.00

Art. 29. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to take from surplus \$500.00 to complete the downstairs area of the New Municipal Building.

Art. 30. 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.

NOTICE

A veteran who will be 62 years old before April 10 must have on file with the assessors, by April 1, an application for property tax exemption.

The registrar gives notice that he will be open regular office hours Monday March 15, 1971 for the purpose of correcting the list of voters. Must be registered voter of town to vote.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of February, A. D. 1971.

FRANK W. NELSON

PAUL B. ALLEN

HOLLIS F. NELSON

Selectmen of the Town of Monson

A true copy, attest: Robert Lander

Resident of the Town of Monson

the 1990s, the number of people in the world who are illiterate has increased from 1.1 billion to 1.5 billion.

There are many reasons for this. One is that the population of the world is growing so fast that the number of people who are illiterate is increasing. Another reason is that the quality of education is so poor that many people who are literate are unable to read and write.

There are many ways to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world. One way is to improve the quality of education. Another way is to provide more opportunities for people to learn to read and write.

It is important to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world because illiteracy is a major barrier to economic development and social progress.

There are many ways to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world. One way is to improve the quality of education. Another way is to provide more opportunities for people to learn to read and write.

It is important to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world because illiteracy is a major barrier to economic development and social progress.

There are many ways to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world. One way is to improve the quality of education. Another way is to provide more opportunities for people to learn to read and write.

It is important to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world because illiteracy is a major barrier to economic development and social progress.

There are many ways to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world. One way is to improve the quality of education. Another way is to provide more opportunities for people to learn to read and write.

It is important to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world because illiteracy is a major barrier to economic development and social progress.

There are many ways to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world. One way is to improve the quality of education. Another way is to provide more opportunities for people to learn to read and write.

It is important to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world because illiteracy is a major barrier to economic development and social progress.

There are many ways to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world. One way is to improve the quality of education. Another way is to provide more opportunities for people to learn to read and write.

It is important to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world because illiteracy is a major barrier to economic development and social progress.

There are many ways to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world. One way is to improve the quality of education. Another way is to provide more opportunities for people to learn to read and write.

It is important to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world because illiteracy is a major barrier to economic development and social progress.

There are many ways to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world. One way is to improve the quality of education. Another way is to provide more opportunities for people to learn to read and write.

It is important to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world because illiteracy is a major barrier to economic development and social progress.

There are many ways to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world. One way is to improve the quality of education. Another way is to provide more opportunities for people to learn to read and write.

It is important to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world because illiteracy is a major barrier to economic development and social progress.

There are many ways to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world. One way is to improve the quality of education. Another way is to provide more opportunities for people to learn to read and write.

It is important to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world because illiteracy is a major barrier to economic development and social progress.

There are many ways to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world. One way is to improve the quality of education. Another way is to provide more opportunities for people to learn to read and write.

It is important to reduce the number of illiterate people in the world because illiteracy is a major barrier to economic development and social progress.



**Every tree
is a family tree.
So please
help Smokey...**



“Make sure you are the one,
To Keep Maine Green in '71”