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OF THE

**TOWN OFFICERS**

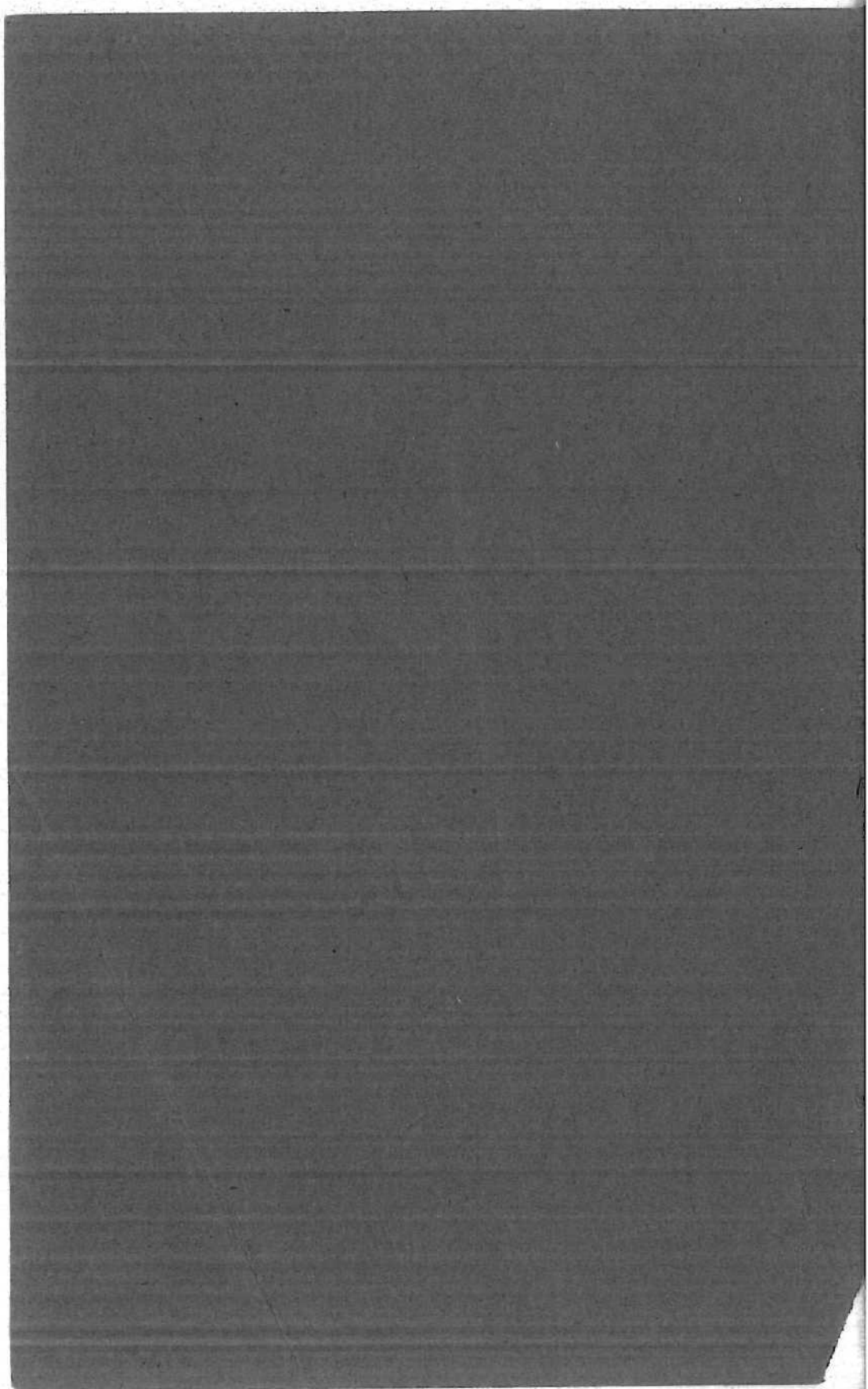
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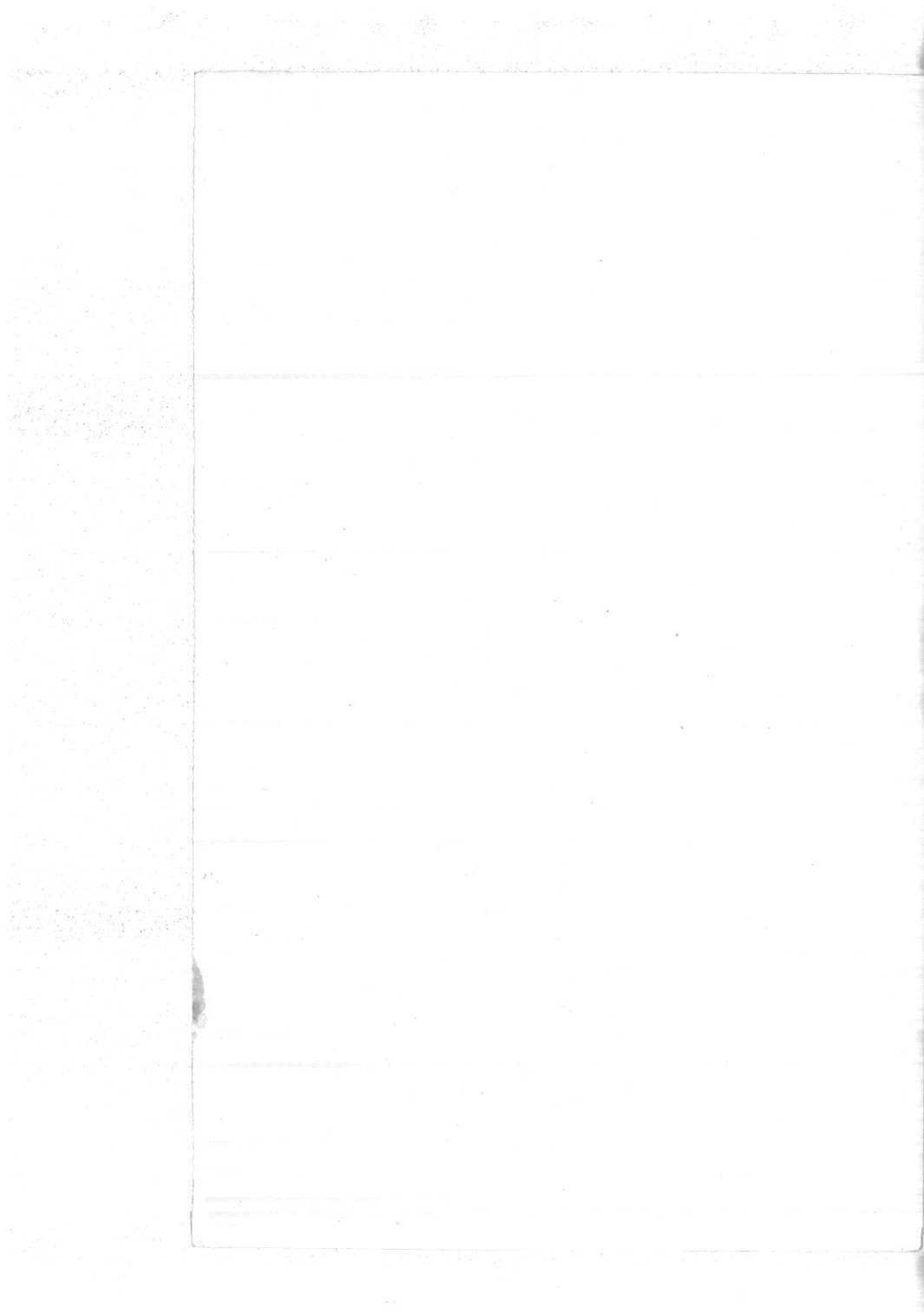
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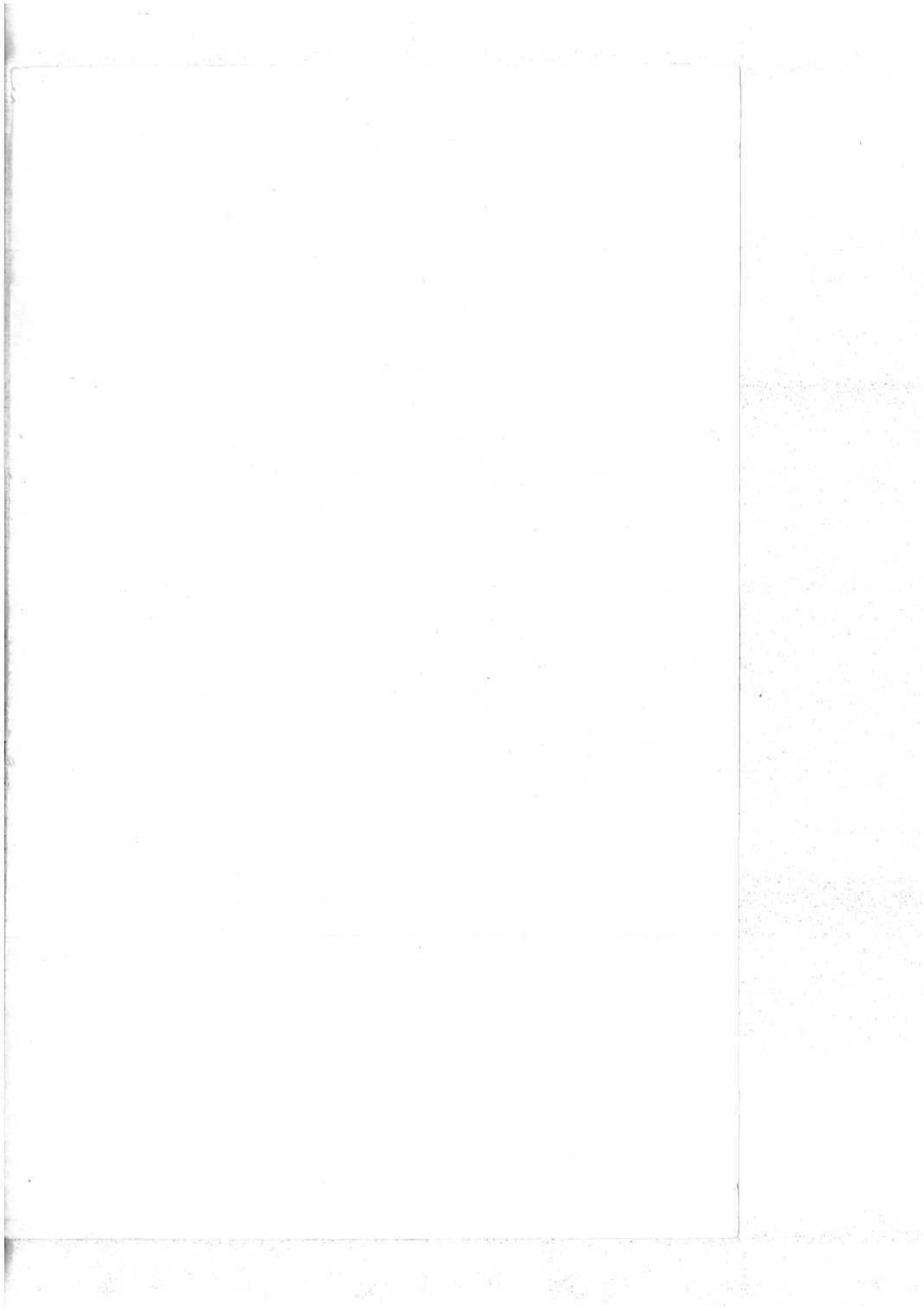


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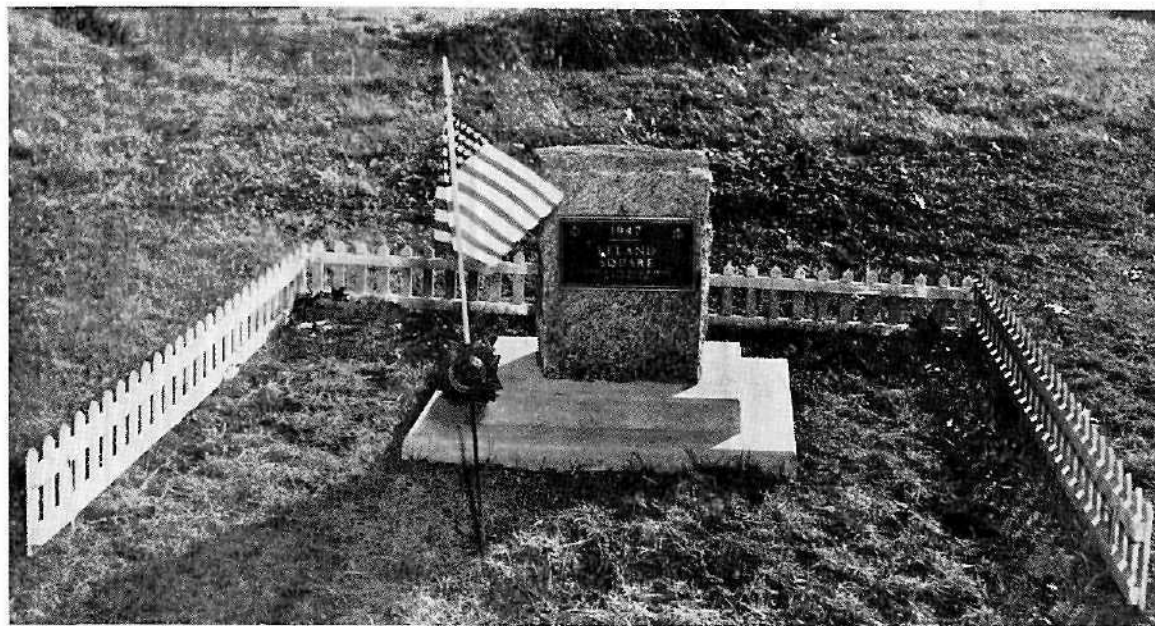
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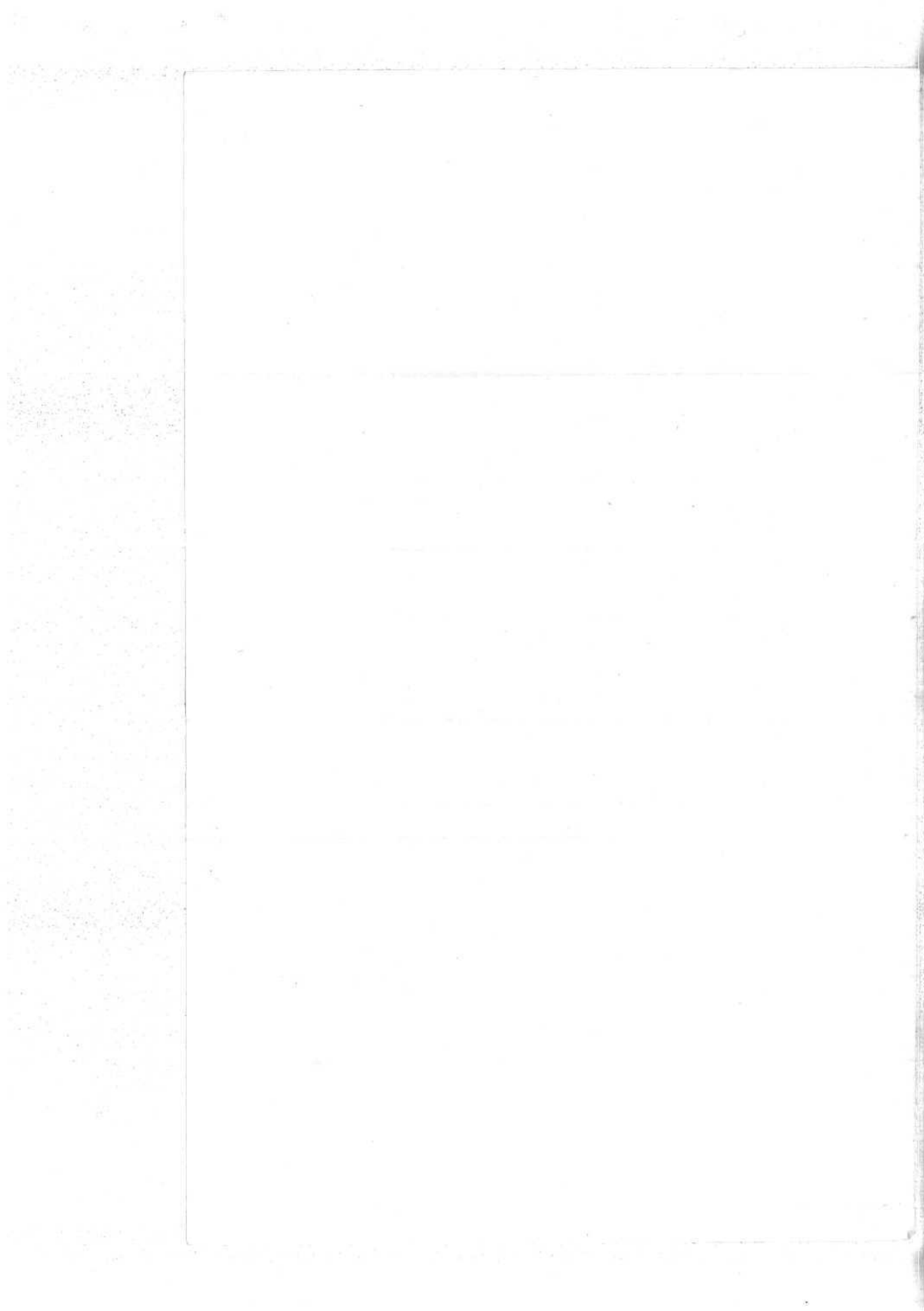




MEMORIAL SQUARES in various sections of the Town to eight Upton men who made the Supreme Sacrifice in World War II:

Howard G. Butterfield  
Ovila J. Leclair  
Howard R. Leland  
Herbert Luebbe

Joseph A. Paille  
David R. Phipps  
Carl L. Robertson, Jr.  
George L. Wood



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## TOWN OF UPTON.

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Incorporated, June 14, 1735.

Population, 1945 State Census: 2388.

Total Miles of Highway: 65.

1950.

### U. S. SENATORS.

Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr. of Beverly.

Leverett Saltonstall of Newton.

### CONGRESSMAN, Third District.

Philip J. Philbin of Clinton.

### COUNCILLOR, Seventh District.

John J. O'Brien of Worcester.

### SENATOR, Fourth Worcester District.

Joseph F. Gibney of Webster.

### REPRESENTATIVES, Ninth Worcester District.

William P. DiVitto of Milford.

Maurice E. Fitzgerald of Milford.

### COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Francis E. Cassidy of Webster, Chairman.

P. Eugene Casey of Milford.

George W. Jones of Worcester.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

Alfred B. Cenedella of Milford.

SHERIFF OF WORCESTER COUNTY.

William A. Bennett of Worcester.

COUNTY TREASURER.

Alexander G. Lajoie of Worcester.

CLEAK OF COURTS, Worcester County.

William C. Bowen of Worcester.

REGISTER OF DEEDS.

Robert R. Gallagher of Worcester.

REGISTER OF PROBATE.

J. Joseph Donohue of Worcester.

## OFFICERS FOR 1949.

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### MODERATOR.

Malcolm C. Temple.

### TOWN CLERK.

George G. Newton, term expires 1950.

### SELECTMEN.

Ernest B. Porter, Chairman

Daniel H. Bates

Earl G. Crockett.

### TREASURER.

Leo F. Murphy.

### ASSESSORS OF TAXES.

George E. Bradley, Chairman, term expires 1950,

Donald L. Varney, Clerk, term expires 1951.

Norman E. Walker, term expires 1952.

### BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE.

Charles F. Caton, Chairman, term expires 1951.

Ernest I. Bentley, term expires 1950.

Charles A. Davis, Clerk, term expires 1952.

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Donald B. Johnson, Chairman, term expires 1950.

Elsie J. Craib, Clerk, term expires 1951.

Robert E. Maynard, term expires 1952.

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Clement J. Lambert.

AUDITOR.

Ashley M. Perkins (Resigned.)

TEMPORARY AUDITOR.

Harvey L. Martindale (to fill unexpired term.)

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

Norman E. Walker, Chairman, term expires 1951,

Ralph A. Thompson, Treasurer, term expires 1952.

Elmer F. Butterfield, Clerk, term expires 1950.

CONSTABLES.

Daniel H. Bates, Alvin P. Nichols, Edward L. Orff,  
Benjamin E. Swift, Clifton A. Temple.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Frank O. Ogden, Chairman,

Alice M. Hall, Elizabeth H. Wood,  
Term expires 1952.

Helen A. Fay, Newton J. Frost, Dana A. Stanley,  
(Resigned)

Term expires 1951.

Jennie H. Capen, Clerk, Ruth E. Crooker, George H. Donham.  
Term expires 1950.

ROAD COMMISSIONER

Harry C. Snow.

TREE WARDEN.

Edmond Benoit.

## APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN IN 1949.

## TOWN COUNSEL.

Henry C. Walker.

## CHIEF OF POLICE.

Daniel H. Bates.

## POLICE OFFICERS.

Daniel H. Bates, Alvin P. Nichols, Alfred H. Nichols,  
 Benjamin E. Swift, Clifton A. Temple, Richard D. Stockwell,  
 Oscar K. Bates, Eugene Bissonnette, Arthur F. Bartlett,  
 Eugene A. Closson, George E. Nydam, Alanson J. Varney,  
 Earl G. Crockett, Ernest B. Porter, Edward J. Morrison,  
 Alexander Kennedy, Arthur P. Henault, Fred W. Tuttle,  
 Harry C. Snow, Irving E. Walker, Henry J. Poirier,  
 J. Harry Shears, Robert E. Blackburn, Edward L. Orff,  
 Chester L. Cooper, Harold S. Lawrence, Victor C. Person,  
 Edmond Benoit, Henry R. Hoyle, Joseph P. Bibeau,  
 Walter J. Stank, Raymond E. Griffin, Alfred H. Aldrich,  
 Francis E. Carbonneau (Resigned.)

## SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS.

William A. Bellofatto, North Pond area; Walter L. Brousseau  
 and Albert J. Robida, South Upton area; Victor Grignon,  
 American Legion Building; Donald R. Keniston and Ernest  
 M. Knight, traffic duty while so-called Grist Mill is being  
 razed.

## LOCKUP KEEPER.

Robert E. Blackburn.

## FENCE VIEWERS.

George O. Taft, H. Daniel Fay, Harold S. Goodrich.



PUBLIC WEIGHERS.

Eva K. Evans, Henry J. Poirier, Edward C. Rock.

DOG OFFICER.

Joseph P. Bibeau.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

Harry C. Snow.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Fred W. Tuttle.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK.

Fred W. Fiske, Walter E. Hopkins.

MEASURERS OF LUMBER.

Fred W. Fiske, Walter E. Hopkins, David H. Dow.

VETERANS' SERVICE AGENT.

Edward S. Henderson.

CUSTODIAN OF VETERANS' GRAVES.

Charles E. Aldrich.

BURIAL AGENT OF DECEASED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

Donald R. Keniston.

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING.

Arthur W. Morrison.

MILK INSPECTOR.

Harry C. Usher.

CARETAKER OF TOWN DUMP.

Edmond Benoit.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Ernest B. Porter, Chairman, Earl G. Crockett, Clerk,  
Daniel H. Bates.

George G. Newton, Agent to issue Burial Permits.

CARETAKER OF TOWN HALL.

Robert E. Blackburn.

CARETAKER OF GRAND ARMY HALL.

Walter J. Stank.

LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT TO SUPPRESS THE GYPSY MOTH.

(Subject to approval of State Forester).

Edmond Benoit.

FOREST WARDEN.

(Subject to approval of State Forester).

Walter J. Stank.

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

(Subject to approval, Director of Live Stock Disease Control).

Arthur W. Morrison.

FIRE ENGINEERS.

George N. O. Poirier, Chief, Thomas L. Francis, Deputy,  
William A. Prentiss, Deputy and Clerk.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Peter Robson, Chairman.

William C. Carroll,

Windsor B. Brooks.

Term expires 1950.

Arthur M. Bartlett, Gordon E. Benson, Samuel W. Bailey,

Term expires 1951.

Harrison E. Bates, Clerk,

Harold S. Hopkins,

John D. Strachan.

Term expires 1952.

## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Edwin W. Sadler (D), Chairman, term expires 1951,

Robert M. Stuart (R), term expires 1952,

James L. Kearnan (D), term expires 1950,

George G. Newton (R), ex-officio, Clerk.

## VETERANS' HOUSING AUTHORITY.

Forrest P. Salisbury, term expires 1954,

Walter J. Kirby, term expires 1953,

Arthur M. Bartlett, term expires 1951,

Harold S. Hopkins, term expires 1950 (resigned),

Douglas J. Gilchrist, (to fill vacancy.)

Raymond F. Lyford (appointed by State.)

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,  
FEBRUARY 7, 1949.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

*Worcester, SS.*

To the Constable of the Town of Upton, in the County of  
Worcester. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Upton, qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Monday, the Seventh day of February, punctually, at Seven o'clock A. M., then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year: Moderator, Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, Collector of Taxes, Auditor, five Constables, Road Commissioner and Tree Warden, all for one year; one Assessor of Taxes, one member of the Board of Public Welfare, one member of the School Committee, one Cemetery Commissioner and three Trustees of Public Library, all for three years; one Trustee of Public Library for two years to fill vacancy, and four members of the Housing Authority, candidate receiving highest number of votes to be elected for five years, second highest number of votes for four years, third highest number of votes for two years, and fourth highest number of votes for one year.

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

The polls shall be closed at 8 o'clock P. M. on the day of said meeting.

In accordance with Article 2, Section 1 of the By-laws of the Town of Upton, as amended, the remaining articles contained in the warrant will be acted upon at an adjourned meeting of the voters in Town Hall, Saturday afternoon, February 12, 1949, at two o'clock.

Article 2. To hear the reports of all town officers and do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 3. To hear reports of any committees appointed by the town, and do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 4. To hear a further report of the special Upton Memorial High School Building Committee, and do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended: Moderator, Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Assessors of Taxes, Board of Public Welfare, School Committee, Auditor, Cemetery Commissioners, Constables, Trustees of Public Library, Road Commissioner and Tree Warden, and do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 6. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray expenses of Town departments for the ensuing year, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue

of the financial year beginning January 1, 1949, and to issue a note or notes therefore, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 97A, General Laws of Massachusetts, as most recently amended, establishing a Police Department under the supervision of an officer to be known as Chief of Police, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint one of its members as Chief of Police or Acting Chief of Police, and to establish a salary to be taken from the Police Appropriation for such appointee in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 4A, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint one or more Constables for the town, thus eliminating the annual election of Constables, in accordance with Section 1, Chapter 41, General Laws, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell and dispose of the Building known as Snow Grist Mill and its contents, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2500.00) for Chapter 90 Construction on Mendon Street, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which

may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) for the purchase of Snow Fence, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Two Dollars and Thirty-nine Cents (\$302.39) for payment of Industrial School bills incurred in 1948, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of Nine Dollars and Ten Cents (\$9.10) from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the proceeds of the 1948 Dog Tax Refund received from the County, to the School Account, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Sixty-six Dollars (\$366.00) in accordance with provisions of Chapter 32, Section 22, General Laws for Pension Fund and Expense Fund of the Worcester County Retirement System for 1949, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) to the Highway Employees' Vacation Account, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Thirty-nine Dollars and Nine Cents (\$939.09) for payment of Snow Removal bills incurred in 1948, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) to repair the dam at Mill Pond, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for improving Wildwood Avenue, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00) to paint the exterior and repair windows of Grand Army Building, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00) to paint and make repairs at Town Hall Building, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to accept the By-laws as published in a pamphlet entitled "By-laws of the Town of Upton," revised and compiled, 1949, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to elect a non-salaried Board of Park Commissioners, consisting of three persons to serve as follows: One member to be elected to serve one year; one member to serve two years; one member to serve three years, to take effect at the next annual Town Meeting in 1950, and thereafter a member to be elected an-



nually to serve three years, all in accordance with Chapter 45, Section 2, General Laws, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Chapter 372 of the Acts of 1946, as most recently amended, regarding Veteran's Housing and Housing Authority, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thirty-seven Dollars (\$237.00) for the purchase of a Scott Air-Pak, safety breathing equipment, for the Fire Department, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thirty-seven Dollars (\$237.00) for the purchase of a Scott Air-Pak, safety breathing equipment, for the Forest Fire Department, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting attested copies thereof at each of the following places in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting:—At each of the Post-offices and on the Town House in said Town.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Upton, this Twenty-fifth day of January in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine.

EARL G. CROCKETT,  
DANIEL H. BATES,  
ERNEST B. PORTER,  
Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, Mass., January 27, 1949.

By virtue of the within warrant, I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Upton herein described to assemble in Town Hall, on Monday, the Seventh Day of February, current year, for the choosing of necessary town officials and action upon Article 1, and at the adjourned meeting on the Twelfth Day of February, current year, to act upon remaining articles in said Warrant, by posting attested copies of the within Warrant in each of the Post-offices and on Town House at least seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

DANIEL H. BATES,  
Constable of Upton.

A true copy.

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON,  
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,  
FEBRUARY 7, 1949.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.  
Worcester, SS.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, Moderator Halbert K. Struthers called the meeting to order and read Article 1. Chairman of Selectmen Earl G. Crockett moved that reading of the remaining articles be waived. Motion was seconded. George A. Whittemore addressed Mr. Struthers and stated in effect that he was moderator of the town of Upton and that there was no validity for the 1948 town election or 1949 town election. Moderator Struthers presented Selectman Crockett's motion and it was so voted without opposition. The Moderator read the remainder of the form Warrant and constable's return.

Raymond F. Lyford, Walter J. Stank, Kenneth W. Wood and Miss Grace Murphy having been appointed by the Selectmen as election officers had been duly sworn by the town clerk before the polls were declared open by the Moderator. Police Officer J. Harry Shears was in charge of the ballot box.

Cards of instruction and specimen ballots had been posted. A sealed package purporting to contain 1600 ballots were delivered to Messrs. Stank and Lyford prior to opening of the polls.

The ballot box had been shown to voters to be empty and indicator set at 0000. The box locked and keys retained by Police Officer Shears.

At various intervals during voting hours the ballot box indicator read as follows: 8 A. M., 52; 9 A. M., 85; 10 A. M., 134; 11 A. M., 186; 12 noon, 234; 1 P. M., 287; 2 P. M., 360; 3 P. M., 430; 4 P. M., 500; 5 P. M., 603; 6 P. M., 784; 7 P. M., 980, and 8 P. M., 1080.

Ballots were removed by election officials from ballot box as follows: 3.30 P. M., 250; 3.45 P. M., 200; 5.10 P. M., 100; 6.45 P. M., 100, and 8.15 P. M., 430. Total 1080.

Following persons appointed by Selectmen to canvass ballots reported at 4 P. M.: Joseph J. Driscoll, Gerald J. Shaughnessy, Mrs. Rita Cutler, Mrs. Helen Donham, Mrs. Elinor Varney, Mrs. Elizabeth Victor, Mrs. Yvonne Bissonnette and Samuel B. Young.

Reporting at 6 P. M.: Edward Gurry, Ernest Aldrich, Gerald McAuliffe, Mrs. Helen Poirier, Douglas Gilchrist, Mrs. Ruth Sweet, Peter Bingel, Ernest Henchey and George Daigle.

Tabulating votes from tally sheets were: Edward Prentiss and Gerald Shaughnessy.

All of the above took oath to perform their respective duty.

At 4.30 P. M. Police Officer Oscar K. Bates relieved Police Officer Shears and remained on duty until after the counted ballots were sealed.

The polls were declared closed at 8 P. M. by Moderator Struthers.

Voting lists were compared after closing of the polls by Messrs. Lyford, Stank, Wood and Miss Murphy. They reported 1080 names checked: 581 men and 499 women.

Used and unused ballots and voting lists were placed in containers by election officials. The containers were placed in town vault.

With the canvassing of the vote and tabulation completed, public declaration was made by town clerk at 11.15 P. M. from tabulator's sheet.

Votes recorded for candidates were as follows:

MODERATOR, (One Year).

|                                      | Vote for One |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Malcolm C. Temple, East Street ..... | 866          |
| Scattered .....                      | 9            |
| Blanks .....                         | 205          |
|                                      | <hr/>        |
|                                      | 1080         |

TOWN TREASURER, (One Year).

|  | Vote for One |
|--|--------------|
| Leo F. Murphy, Piccadilly Street ..... | 904          |
| Candidate for Re-election              |              |
| Blanks .....                           | 176          |
|  | <hr/>        |
|  | 1080         |

## SELECTMEN, (One Year).

|  | Vote for Three |
|--|----------------|
| Daniel H. Bates, Depot Street .....        | 673            |
| Candidate for Re-election                  |                |
| Earl G. Crockett, Main Street .....        | 615            |
| Candidate for Re-election                  |                |
| Harold S. Hopkins, North Main Street ..... | 534            |
| Ernest B. Porter, Grove Street .....       | 710            |
| Candidate for Re-election                  |                |
| Clifton A. Temple .....                    | 1              |
| Blanks .....                               | 707            |
|  | <hr/>          |
|  | 3240           |

## ASSESSOR OF TAXES, (Three Years).

|                                       | Vote for One |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Norman E. Walker, Brooks Street ..... | 879          |
| Pete Carbonneau .....                 | 1            |
| Blanks .....                          | 200          |
|                                       | <hr/>        |
|                                       | 1080         |

## BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE, (Three Years).

|                                     | Vote for One |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Charles A. Davis, Main Street ..... | 816          |
| Candidate for Re-election           |              |
| Blanks .....                        | 264          |
|                                     | <hr/>        |
|                                     | 1080         |

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE, (Three Years).

|  | Vote for One |
|--|--------------|
| Robert E. Maynard, Warren Street ..... | 543          |
| George E. Nydam, Glen Avenue .....     | 487          |
| Candidate for Re-election              |              |
| Blanks .....                           | 50           |
|  | <hr/>        |
|  | 1080         |

## COLLECTOR OF TAXES, (One Year).

|                                       | Vote for One |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Clement J. Lambert, Farm Street ..... | 923          |
| Scattered .....                       | 5            |
| Blanks .....                          | 152          |
|                                       | <hr/>        |
|                                       | 1080         |

## AUDITOR, (One Year).

|                                       | Vote for One |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Ashley M. Perkins, Grove Street ..... | 857          |
| Candidate for Re-election             |              |
| Blanks .....                          | 223          |
|                                       | <hr/>        |
|                                       | 1080         |

## CEMETERY COMMISSIONER, (Three Years).

|                                       | Vote for One |
|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Ralph A. Thompson, Grove Street ..... | 779          |
| Blanks .....                          | 301          |
|                                       | <hr/>        |
|                                       | 1080         |

## CONSTABLES, (One Year).

|   | Vote for Five |
|---|---------------|
| Arthur F. Bartlett, Hartford Avenue ..... | 585           |
| Daniel H. Bates, Depot Street .....       | 784           |
| Candidate for Re-election                 |               |
| Alvin P. Nichols, Russell Court .....     | 726           |
| Candidate for Re-election                 |               |
| Edward L. Orff, Main Street .....         | 673           |
| Benjamin E. Swift, Milford Street .....   | 711           |
| Candidate for Re-election                 |               |

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| Clifton A. Temple, Brooks Street ..... | 744   |
| Candidate for Re-election              |       |
| Charles Southland .....                | 1     |
| Blanks .....                           | 1176  |
|  | <hr/> |
|  | 5400  |

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, (Three Years).

|                                      |                |  |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|--|
|                                      | Vote for Three |  |
| Alice M. Hall, Main Street .....     | 780            |  |
| Candidate for Re-election            |                |  |
| Frank O. Ogden, Main Street .....    | 801            |  |
| Candidate for Re-election            |                |  |
| Elizabeth H. Wood, Main Street ..... | 787            |  |
| Candidate for Re-election            |                |  |
| Blanks .....                         | 872            |  |
|                                      | <hr/>          |  |
|                                      | 3240           |  |

TRUSTEE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY (Two Years, to Fill Vacancy)

|                                 |              |  |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--|
|                                 | Vote for One |  |
| Helen A. Fay, Main Street ..... | 845          |  |
| Blanks .....                    | 235          |  |
|                                 | <hr/>        |  |
|                                 | 1080         |  |

ROAD COMMISSIONER, (One Year).

|                                   |              |  |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--|
|                                   | Vote for One |  |
| Joseph Jacques, Main Street ..... | 437          |  |
| Harry C. Snow, Elm Street .....   | 589          |  |
| Candidate for Re-election         |              |  |
| Blanks .....                      | 54           |  |
|                                   | <hr/>        |  |
|                                   | 1080         |  |

## TREE WARDEN, (One Year).

|                                 | Vote for One |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Edmond Benoit, Elm Street ..... | 784          |
| Candidate for Re-election       |              |
| Blanks .....                    | 296          |
|                                 | <hr/>        |
|                                 | 1080         |

## UPTON HOUSING AUTHORITY.

|   | Vote for Four |
|---|---------------|
| (Candidate receiving highest vote for five-year term; second highest, four-year term; third highest, two-year term; fourth highest, one-year term.) |               |
| Arthur M. Bartlett, Hartford Avenue .....   | 718           |
| Harold S. Hopkins, North Main Street .....  | 705           |
| Walter J. Kirby, Pleasant Street .....  | 724           |
| Forrest P. Salisbury, Williams Street .....   | 749           |
| Scattered .....   | 3             |
| Blanks .....  | 1421          |
|   | <hr/>         |
|   | 4320          |

A true record.

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON,  
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN  
MEETING, FEBRUARY 12, 1949.

Moderator Malcolm C. Temple called the adjourned town meeting to order and requested the Town Clerk, on record of the election last Monday, (February 7, 1949) if it appeared that any one was elected to the office of Moderator.



The Town Clerk stated that on February 7, 1949 there were 1080 ballots cast and returned to him was a tabulation sheet. For the office of Moderator for one year Malcolm C. Temple received 866 votes; nine scattered votes, 205 blanks, total 1080. The Town Clerk added that Mr. Temple had taken his oath of office several minutes before opening of the adjourned meeting.

Moderator Temple asked if any one on the floor wished to protest this announcement.

George A. Whittemore stated that he did. He said in effect he was Moderator of the Town of Upton, that he was present here, the only man seated, and when the meeting was opened by somebody on Monday morning that he (Mr. Whittemore) took the floor, was recognized, and granted the floor by the person conducting the meeting, and stated that there was no meeting with any validity unless it was conducted by George A. Whittemore, the Moderator of the Town of Upton.

Following a discussion, Selectman Ernest B. Porter moved to take up the articles in the warrant which was duly seconded and so voted.

#### 1948 TOWN REPORT.

Article 2. Voted: on motion of Harrison E. Bates, duly seconded, to accept the Town Report as printed.

Before the vote was taken George A. Whittemore stated he wished to call attention to Page 16 of the Town Report. He said the third paragraph was not a correct report of what happened at that time. In referring to Page 23 of the Town Report concerning proceedings of the adjourned annual town meeting, February 7, 1948, he said in effect, "is the first paragraph regarding what happened here. It is not complete and it leaves out a very pertinent part of that meeting, whatever it might be, that George A. Whittemore was ejected from the meeting by police officers. There are other discrepancies in this Town Report and previous Town Reports."

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Article 3. Moderator Temple stated that the High School Building Committee had a report to make under Article 4.

## MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

Article 4. Voted: on motion of Selectman Ernest B. Porter, duly seconded, to accept a report made by Samuel B. Young, chairman of the Memorial High School Building Committee, and to further consider the report of the Upton Memorial High School Building Committee at an adjourned town meeting, February 19 at 2 P. M.

Previous to the vote, Mr. Young said that since the report for the Town Report was written—in fact on January 27th—that plans and specifications for the proposed Upton building, also estimates based on cost, of the proposed Wareham School building had been received. He said the Committee at this time did not recommend building. Mr. Young had pamphlets distributed giving information pertaining to the proposed Upton building.

## SALARIES AND COMPENSATION.

Article 5. Salaries and expenses of certain town officers established:

Selectmen: Salaries, Chairman \$175, other two members \$150 each; clerk, \$150, making total of \$625; expenses \$50.

Town Treasurer: Salary, \$750; expenses \$250.

Tax Collector: Salary, \$850; expenses \$400.

Cemetery Commission: Salaries, Chairman, \$30; member, \$25; clerk, \$30; total, \$85.

Town Clerk: Salary, \$350; expenses, \$225.

Assessors: \$400, \$325 and \$300; expenses, \$450.

Welfare Board: Salaries, \$315; no expenses.

School Committee: Salaries, Chairman, \$40; member, \$40; clerk, \$65; total, \$145; no expenses.

Auditor: Salary, \$125; no expenses.

Veterans' Service Officer: Salary, \$100.

Town Counsel: Salary, \$50; expenses, \$100.

Finance Committee: Clerk, \$60, salary.

Sealer of Weights and Measures: Salary, \$80; expenses, \$20.

Registrars of Voters: \$35, \$35, \$35 and \$50; total, \$155; expenses, \$150.

Town Election: expenses, \$275.

Bonding Town Officers, \$175.

Animal Inspector: \$100.

Housing Authority: expenses, \$100.

#### GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Article 6. Moderator Temple asked permission of the voters to take up this article in group action and it was so voted. He further said that if any voter wished to discuss an item to say "object" or any other similar word and the item would be temporarily passed. He said group action would be taken on all items meeting with favor of the voters and separate action taken on each item temporarily deferred.

(\*) Action temporarily deferred.

|                                    |          |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| Ambulance Maintenance .....        | \$250 00 |
| Board of Health:                   |          |
| General .....                      | 200 00   |
| Care of Patients .....             | 550 00   |
| District Nursing Association ..... | 550 00   |
| Town Dump .....                    | 300 00   |
| Cemeteries:                        |          |
| General .....                      | 2,650 00 |
| Grading and oiling .....           | 500 00   |

## County Hospital Assessment:

|   |            |           |
|---|------------|-----------|
| Care and Maintenance .....                | \$1,520 69 |           |
| Patients .....                            | 1,495 08   |           |
|   |            | 3,015 77  |
| Fire Department .....                     |            | 1,900 00  |
| Forest Fires .....                        |            | 500 00    |
| Gypsy Moth Suppression .....              |            | 200 00    |
| Highways:                                 |            |           |
| (*) Chapter 81 .....                      |            | 4,500 00  |
| (**) Chapter 90 Maintenance .....         |            | 450 00    |
| Bridges .....                             |            | 500 00    |
| Sidewalks .....                           |            | 500 00    |
| Snow Removal .....                        |            | 5,000 00  |
| Insurance .....                           |            | 1,450 00  |
| Library (Carpenter Fund) .....            |            | 1,000 00  |
| Memorial Day .....                        |            | 300 00    |
| (***) Notes and Interest .....            |            | 50 00     |
| Old Age Assistance .....                  |            | 41,000 00 |
| Old Age Assistance:                       |            |           |
| Administration .....                      |            | 500 00    |
| Parks, Athletic Field .....               |            | 300 00    |
| (****) Police .....                       |            | 1,500 00  |
| Public Welfare, General .....             |            | 3,500 00  |
| Aid to Dependent Children .....           |            | 4,000 00  |
| Printing .....                            |            | 1,000 00  |
| (***** ) Schools .....                    |            | 70,480 00 |
| Schools—Industrial .....                  |            | 1,000 00  |
| Street Lights .....                       |            | 4,500 00  |
| Town Halls and Repairs .....              |            | 3,500 00  |
| (***** ) Town Officers and Expenses ..... |            | 7,010 00  |
| Tree Warden .....                         |            | 500 00    |
| Veterans' Service .....                   |            | 1,000 00  |
| Reserve Fund .....                        |            | 1,500 00  |
| Signs .....                               |            | 100.00    |
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|   |            | \$000000  |

Voted: Favorable action taken on group of above items as recommended by Finance Committee, except those items which were temporarily deferred. Deferred items then taken up.

(\*) Road Commissioner Harry C. Snow moved that the sum of \$4,500.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highways, and that, in addition the sum of \$13,200 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State to be restored upon their receipt to unappropriated available funds in the treasury. Voted.

(\*\*) Road Commissioner Harry C. Snow moved that the sum of \$450.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance and that in addition, the sum of \$900.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury. Voted.

(\*\*\*) Town Treasurer Leo F. Murphy moved that the sum of \$50.00 be raised and appropriated for Notes and Interest. Voted.

(\*\*\*\*) Selectman-Acting Chief of Police Daniel H. Bates moved that \$1,500.00 be raised and appropriated for the Police Department. Finance Committee's recommendation was \$1,200. On standing vote declared by Moderator Temple the sum of \$1,500 was voted: Yes, 77; No, 24.

(\*\*\*\*\*) Harrison E. Bates, clerk of Finance Committee, moved that the School Department appropriation be

\$70,480. Voted. In discussion it was stated that the School Department receives income from Dog Tax Refund and Knowlton-Batchelor Trust Funds in addition to this appropriation.

(\*\*\*\*\*) Selectman Ernest B. Porter moved that the sum of \$7,010.00 be raised and appropriated for Town Officers and expenses. Voted. Original recommendation, \$6,860.00.

#### BORROWING MONEY.

Article 7. Voted: That the Town Treasurer have the approval hereby authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the present municipal year, to issue note or notes payable within one year, notes as may be made for a lesser period in accordance with Section 17 of Chapter 44. Unanimous.

#### ESTABLISHING POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Article 8. Voted: to accept the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 97A, General Laws of Massachusetts, as most recently amended, establishing a Police Department.

Authorizing Selectmen to Appoint  
One of Its Members as Chief or Acting  
Chief of Police and Establish Salary.

Article 9. Voted: to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint one of its members as Chief of Police or Acting Chief of Police, and establish his salary at \$25 per month to be taken from the Police Appropriation.

#### SELECTMEN TO APPOINT CONSTABLES.

Article 10. Voted: to pass over this article to authorize the Selectmen to appoint one or more Constables, thus eliminating the annual election of Constables, in accordance with Section 1, Chapter 41, General Laws.

#### TO SELL SNOW GRIST MILL BUILDING.

Article 11. Voted: That the Selectmen be given power to sell the Grist Mill Building to the George L. Wood Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, for the sum of One Dollar. If refused by the said V. F. W. then the Selectmen will put the building up for public auction after due notice has been published.

#### MENDON ROAD CONSTRUCTION.

Article 12. Voted: that the sum of \$1,750.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Construction work on Mendon Road, and that in addition, the sum of \$5,250.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's shares of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

#### SNOW FENCE POSTS.

Article 13. Voted: that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) for the purchase of Snow Fence Posts.

#### 1948 INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL BILLS.

Article 14. Voted: that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred and Two Dollars and Thirty-nine Cents (\$302.39) for payment of Industrial School Bills incurred in 1948.

#### TRANSFER TO MACHINERY ACCOUNT.

Article 15. Voted: that the sum of Nine Dollars and Ten Cents (\$9.10) be transferred from the Machinery Fund to Machinery Account.

#### DOG TAX REFUND TO SCHOOLS ACCOUNT.

Article 16. Voted: that the sum of Six Hundred Ninety-four Dollars and Forty-one Cents (\$694.41) be appropriated to Schools Account.

#### RETIREMENT SYSTEM ASSESSMENT.

Article 17. Voted: that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Sixty-six Dollars (\$366.00) in accordance with provisions of Chapter 32, Section 22, General Laws, for Pension Fund and Expense Fund of the Worcester County Retirement System for 1949.

#### HIGHWAY EMPLOYES' VACATION.

Article 18. Voted: that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) to the Highway Employees' Vacation Account.

#### 1948 SNOW REMOVAL BILLS.

Article 19. Voted: that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Nine Hundred Thirty-nine Dollars and Nine Cents (\$939.09) for payment of Snow Removal Bills incurred in 1948. No opposition.

#### MILL POND DAM.

Article 20. Voted: that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) to repair the dam at Mill Pond.

#### WILDWOOD AVENUE.

Article 21. Voted: that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) to improve Wildwood Avenue.

#### PAINTING GRAND ARMY BUILDING.

Article 22. Voted: to pass over article.

#### PAINTING INTERIOR OF TOWN HALL.

Article 23. Motion declared lost calling for an appropriation.



# NEW TOWN BY-LAWS.

Article 24. Action deferred to adjourned town meeting, February 19.

## PARK COMMISSION.

Article 25. Voted: to establish a non-salaried Board of Park Commissioners, consisting of three persons, to serve as follows: One member to be elected for three years, one member to be elected for two years, one member to be elected for one year, to take effect at the annual Town Meeting in 1950, and thereafter a member to be elected annually to serve three years, all in accordance with Chapter 45, Section 2, General Laws.

## HOUSING AUTHORITY ACT.

Article 26. Voted: to pass over the acceptance of provisions of Chapter 372, Acts of 1946, as most recently amended, regarding Veterans' Housing and Housing Authority.

## SAFETY BREATHING EQUIPMENT.

Articles 27 and 28. Voted: to raise and appropriate Two Hundred Thirty-seven Dollars (\$237.00) for purchase of a Scott Air-Pak, safety breathing equipment for the Fire Department, and Two Hundred Thirty-seven Dollars (\$237.00) for purchase of a Scott Air-Pak safety breathing equipment for the Forest Fire Department.

Moved to adjourn to Saturday, February 19, 1949 at 2 P. M. and so voted.

A true record.

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON,

Town Clerk.

## ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,

FEBRUARY 19, 1949.

After Moderator Malcolm C. Temple called the meeting to order he stated that further action was desired on Article 7 (first acted upon at adjourned town meeting, February 12, 1949), if there was no opposition. Voted: to return to Article 7. Moderator declared vote was unanimous.

## TO BORROW MONEY.

Article 7. Voted: on motion of Selectman Earl G. Crockett, duly seconded, that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1949, and to issue note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws. There was no opposition.

## SALARIES OF CERTAIN TOWN OFFICIALS.

Article 5. Moderator Temple stated because of an oversight in establishing certain salaries of town officers at the February 12, 1949 adjourned meeting, it was desired to return to this article if there was no opposition.

Selectman Ernest B. Porter moved to rescind action on the establishing of salaries of elected town officials taken February 12, 1949 for the reason that an oversight occurred in respect to the salaries of Moderator, Board of Public Welfare, Board of Assessors of Taxes, and Tree Warden. Motion seconded.

Voted: To rescind action on Article 5. Vote was declared unanimous by Moderator Temple.

Voted: To establish following salaries and expenses:—  
Moderator: \$10 for annual town election, \$10 for first

adjourned town meeting, \$5 for each additional adjourned town meeting, \$5 for each special town meeting, and \$5 for each adjourned special town meeting.

Tree Warden: Services, \$1 per hr.; use of truck, \$1.85 per hr.

Board of Public Welfare: Chairman, \$100; clerk, \$140; third member, \$75.

Board of Assessors: Chairman, \$400; clerk, \$325; third member, \$300; expenses, \$450.

Tax Collector: \$850, retroactive from January 1, 1949; expenses, \$400.

Other salaries and expenses as originally acted upon February 12, 1949:

Selectmen: Salaries, Chairman, \$175; other two members, \$150 each; clerk, \$150; expenses, \$50.

Town Treasurer: Salary, \$750; expenses, \$250.

Cemetery Commission: Salaries, Chairman, \$30; member, \$25; clerk, \$30.

Town Clerk: Salary, \$350; expenses, \$225.

School Committee: Chairman, \$40; member, \$40; clerk, \$65.

Auditor: Salary, \$125.

Veteran's Service Officer: Salary, \$100.

Town Counsel: Salary, \$50; expenses, \$100.

Finance Committee: Salary, clerk, \$60.

Sealer of Weights and Measures: Salary, \$80; expenses, \$20.

Registrars of Voters: Three members at \$35 each and one at \$50.

Town Elections: Expenses, \$275.

Bonding Town Officers: Expenses, \$175.

Inspector of Animals: \$100.

Housing Authority: Expenses, \$100.

#### MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

Article 4. Samuel B. Young, chairman of Upton Memorial High School Building Committee, stated that working plans for a proposed new High School Building had been re-

ceived by the Committee; that he had made a verbal report at the adjourned meeting, February 12, 1949 in addition to a report printed in the 1948 Town Report; that pamphlets had been distributed describing proposed building, and that the Building Committee did not favor construction of the building at this time.

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#### PROPOSED NEW BY-LAWS.

Selectman Daniel H. Bates at this point moved to take up Article 24 pertaining to proposed set of new By-Laws of the Town of Upton as Town Counsel Henry C. Walker would be obliged to leave the meeting early. It was so voted.

A copy of the proposed By-Laws had been submitted by Mr. Walker in behalf of the Committee on By-Laws to Moderator Temple, February 12, 1949. Copies of the proposed By-Laws were distributed with Town Reports on election day, February 7, 1949.

#### BY-LAWS

#### OF THE

#### TOWN OF UPTON, MASSACHUSETTS

(Revised and Compiled 1948)

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NOTE: The following By-Laws will be presented to the Town for acceptance at the Annual Meeting of the Town on Saturday, February 12, 1949.

The duties, rights and responsibilities of town officers are not dealt with in detail in these By-Laws. These duties, rights and responsibilities are clearly defined by statute in the General Laws of Massachusetts, by which, the Town of Upton, like any other Town in the Commonwealth, is bound.

(See General Laws of Massachusetts, Chapters 39, 40, and 41). Where a matter is comprehensively covered by statute, a town has no jurisdiction to legislate in the matter. Where the duties of a public officer are set forth by statute, a town By-Law may not vary or add to those duties.

## CHAPTER 1.

### GENERAL PROVISIONS.

Section 1. The adoption of these by-laws by the Town shall have the force and effect of repealing all presently existing by-laws and regulations heretofore adopted by the Town, except that this repeal shall not apply to or affect any by-law, order or article heretofore adopted accepting or adopting the provisions of any statute of the Commonwealth. These by-laws shall be known and referred to as "By-Laws of the Town of Upton, Massachusetts".

Section 2. These by-laws shall not be retroactive.

Section 3. When these by-laws are approved by the Attorney-General of Massachusetts and adopted by the Town, they shall replace and be substituted for all presently existing by-laws and regulations of the Town except those which accept or adopt statutes of the Commonwealth.

Section 4. Whoever violates any provision of these by-laws whereby any act or thing is prohibited shall, unless other provision is expressly made, forfeit and pay a fine not exceeding fifteen dollars.

Section 5. Prosecutions for the breach of any of the provisions of any of these by-laws shall be commenced within one year from such breach.

Section 6. Any and all of these by-laws may be repealed, or amended, or other by-laws may be adopted, at any Town

meeting, annual or special, an article containing the subject matter of the proposed change having been inserted in the warrant for such meeting.

## CHAPTER II.

### TOWN MEETINGS.

Section 1. The annual Town Meeting for the election of town officers shall be held on the first Monday in March of each year. Official ballots shall be used as provided by law.

Section 2. All matters to be considered under the warrant for the annual Town Meeting, except the election of officers and the determination of such matters as are required by law to be elected or determined by ballot, shall be considered at an adjournment of such meeting to be held at 2 P. M., on the Saturday following the first Monday in March in the year for which the warrant is drawn. The warrant for every annual Town Meeting shall contain a statement by which the meeting is adjourned to such time for such purpose.

Section 3. The polls for the annual Town Meeting shall be opened at seven o'clock in the forenoon and shall remain open until eight o'clock in the evening, unless otherwise fixed by the Selectmen in the warrant for the meeting.

Section 4. Twenty legal voters of the town shall constitute a quorum, and such a quorum shall be necessary at all town meetings except that action on any article in a warrant calling for the election of various town officers at an annual election or an officer or officers at a special election shall not require the presence of a quorum.

Section 5. Notices of every Town Meeting shall be given by posting printed copies of the warrant for such meet-

ing in two or more conspicuous public places in the Town of Upton, and one copy thereof shall be posted at the Town Hall Building.

Section 6. Notice of every adjourned Town Meeting shall be posted by the Town Clerk in two or more conspicuous public places in the Town of Upton, and one copy thereof shall be posted at the Town Hall Building. In addition thereto the Town Clerk may, if he deems it practicable, publish the same in any newspaper published in the County having a circulation in the Town of Upton.

Section 7. The Selectmen, after drawing a warrant for a Town Meeting shall forthwith deliver a copy of the same to the Clerk of the Finance Committee.

Section 8. At any meeting, articles in the warrant shall be acted upon in the order in which they appear, unless otherwise determined by a vote of the meeting.

Section 9. All motions having to do with the expenditure of money shall be presented in writing; and other motions shall be in writing if so directed by the Moderator.

Section 10. If a motion is divisible, it shall be divided and the questions shall be put separately upon each part thereof if so directed by the Moderator.

Section 11. When a question is before the meeting, the following motions shall be received and shall have precedence in the following order. The first three shall be decided without debate:

To adjourn  
To lay on the table  
For the previous question  
To postpone to a time certain

To commit, recommit or refer  
To amend or substitute  
To postpone indefinitely.

Section 12. When a question is put, the sense of the meeting shall be determined by the voices thereon, and the Moderator shall declare the vote as it appears to him. If the Moderator is unable to decide the vote of the article or matter by the sound of the voices, or if his decision is immediately questioned by seven or more voters rising in their places for that purpose, he shall determine the vote by ordering a show of hands or standing vote and may appoint tellers to make and return the count. A roll call shall be ordered by the Moderator if twenty members shall by rising to their places favor such motion.

Section 13. No vote passed at any meeting shall be reconsidered at an adjournment of that meeting unless notice be given in writing to the Moderator at the meeting that a motion to reconsider will be made at the adjournment thereof. No vote determining that any matter shall not be reconsidered shall be the subject of reconsideration, and no question shall be reconsidered more than once. No vote shall be reconsidered on a motion to adjourn, to lay on the table, or for the previous question. Any notice of motion to reconsider delivered to the Moderator shall forthwith be delivered by the Moderator to the Town Clerk.

Section 14. No meeting shall be dissolved until every article contained in the warrant has been acted upon, except that this provision shall not preclude postponement of consideration of any article to an adjournment of the meeting at a stated time and place.

Section 15. Any voter desiring to speak upon a question or matter in debate shall rise to his feet, and each person, shall in turn, be recognized by the Moderator. The speaker shall, before debate, announce his name.



## CHAPTER III.

## ELECTION OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Section 1. The Town shall, at its annual meeting in every year when the term of office of any incumbent expires, choose by ballot from its inhabitants who are registered voters, the following town officers for the following terms of office:

A Town Clerk for three years;  
 A Town Treasurer for one year;  
 A Tax Collector for one year;  
 Three Selectmen for terms of one year;  
 Three Assessors for terms of three years;  
 Three Members of Board of Public Welfare  
     for terms of three years;  
 A Road Commissioner for one year;  
 A Tree Warden for one year;  
 Three Members of the School Committee  
     for terms of three years;  
 A Moderator for one year;  
 Three Cemetery Commissioners  
     for terms of three years;  
 Nine Public Library Trustees  
     for terms of three years;  
 An Auditor for one year.

## CHAPTER IV.

## GENERAL POWERS AND DUTIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Section 1. All boards, commissions or committees, the members of which are elected by ballot, shall hold a regular meeting at least once each month and shall keep records exactly and in detail of all motions made, votes passed and business transacted. Such records, unless otherwise provided by law, shall be open to public inspection. When a book or record is completed it shall be delivered to the Town Clerk for safekeeping in the Town Vault.

Section 2. All elected officers, and all committees, commissions and trustees, and such appointive officers as the Selectmen may direct, shall, on or before the 10th day of January in each year, make a report to the Town of all business transacted in their departments during the last preceding fiscal year. Such reports shall be made by filing the original thereof with the Board of Selectmen, and a copy thereof shall be submitted to the Town Clerk for permanent record.

Section 3. The annual report of the officers of the Town shall include reports of all elected officers, committees, commissions and trustees and such appointive officers as the Selectmen may direct.

Section 4. The Selectmen shall appoint a Town Counsel who shall be a member in good standing of the Massachusetts Bar. The Town Counsel shall advise all executive officers, boards and committees of the town whenever requested by them and shall represent the Town in all legal proceedings by or against it whenever so directed by the Selectmen. All requests for opinions from the Town Counsel shall be in writing, and all opinions given by him on questions of law to any officer, board or committee shall be in writing and signed by him. A copy of each opinion shall be forwarded to the Town Clerk.

Section 5. The Selectmen shall have full authority as agents of the Town to institute and prosecute suits in the name of the town or its officers in their official capacities and to appear and defend suits brought against it or its officers in their official capacities, unless otherwise ordered by vote of the town, or provided by law.

Section 6. The Selectmen shall have authority to settle, compromise and adjust any and all claims for or against the Town. However, no claim or action against the town

shall be settled in excess of two hundred dollars unless the same has been reduced to judgment by a Court of competent jurisdiction, without a vote of the Town.

Section 7. No deed or grant of land, except as herein-after provided concerning tax titles and tax liens and land acquired thereby, shall be made without a vote of the Town. And wherever it becomes necessary to execute any deed for land, or any interest therein, or any other instrument required to carry into effect the vote of the town, the same shall be executed by the Selectmen, or a majority thereof, in the name of the Town, unless otherwise provided by law or by vote of the town, and shall be sealed with the seal of the town.

Section 8. When the estimated amount of a proposed contract is \$500.00 or more, proposals shall be called for in the manner provided in this section. Such calls for proposals shall be advertised in a newspaper having a daily circulation not less than three times in said newspaper at intervals of two days, the last publication to be at least two days before the opening of the bids. The advertisement shall require such proposals to be sealed and properly designated and shall announce the place, day and hour at which they will be opened. The bids shall be delivered to the Department authorized to make the contract and shall be deposited in a box or other container, securely locked, and at the time and place named, shall be publicly opened in the presence of a majority of the Board of Selectmen, or a majority of the Board of Department calling for bids. No bids shall be received after the time advertised for the opening. So far as practicable, contracts for less than \$500.00 shall be awarded in such manner as to secure reasonable competition.

Whenever such a contract is awarded to a person other than the lowest bidder therefor, the department authorized to make the contract shall submit, in writing, at the time of

awarding such a bid, a full, complete and detailed explanation of the reasons for the rejection or non-acceptance of the lower bid or bids, a copy of which shall be filed with the Town Clerk as a public record.

Section 9. Obligations or contracts involving five hundred dollars or more shall be in writing and signed by a majority at least of the board or committee authorized or having control of the appropriation against which such obligation is incurred; and such board or committee shall retain a signed copy of every such contract which shall be filed with the Town Clerk for permanent record.

Section 10. A bond for the faithful performance of any contract may be required where it is deemed necessary or desirable by the Selectmen, School Committee, or board or committee having in its charge the execution of such contract.

Section 11. The Town Treasurer, with the advice and consent of the Selectmen, is authorized to sell and assign any tax lien held by the Town and/or bargain, sell and convey any property to which the Town has or may hereafter acquire title through the foreclosure of tax liens, or under the statutes relating to Lands of Low Value. The Treasurer is authorized to sign, execute and deliver in the name of the Town, any and all legal instruments under seal, necessary to convey to the assignee or purchaser all right, title and interest of the Town in such property.

Section 12. No board or officer shall make any contract on behalf of the Town, the execution of which shall necessarily extend beyond one year from the date thereof, unless otherwise provided by law, unless authority for such contract has been specifically given by vote of the town.

Section 13. No town officer or member of any board or committee chosen by the town shall have any pecuniary interest in any contract, agreement, sale, bargain or the settlement of any claim by or against the town made or approved on behalf of the town by himself or any board or committee of which he is a member.

Section 14. The Town Treasurer shall be the custodian of all funds and securities of trust funds and shall invest and reinvest trust funds in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth. He shall have custody of all insurance policies covering town property.

Section 15. The Town Clerk shall record any and all instruments conveying land to the town, or any interest therein at the proper Registry of Deeds, and shall have in his custody all deeds and other instruments so recorded.

Section 16. The Town Clerk shall notify any board, officer or committee of the Town of any vote or action taken by the town concerning the duties of any officer, board or committee. He shall furnish the Selectmen for publication in the annual report, a copy of his record of all town meetings held during the preceding year and vital statistics recorded during that year.

Section 17. The Road Commissioner shall have in his charge the care and maintenance of public ways, guide posts, street and highway signs, sidewalks and drains, except where otherwise provided by statutes relative to State, County and Federal supervision and control.

Section 18. There shall be a Road Machinery Account for the purpose of purchasing, repairing, maintaining and operating road machinery. The custody of all tools and machinery for roads and highways shall be under the general supervision of the Road Commissioner who shall annually

report to the Town, an inventory of the same. The Road Machinery Account shall be under the general supervision of the Road Commissioner.

## CHAPTER V.

### FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Section 1. There shall be a Finance Committee consisting of nine citizens of the Town, other than Town officers elected by ballot, who shall be sworn to the faithful performance of their duties. The term of office for members of said Committee shall be three years and the Selectmen shall, not later than the first day of May, appoint three members to such committee. Vacancies in said committee shall be filled by the Selectmen within thirty days after the vacancy occurs. The member appointed to fill such vacancy shall complete the term of the membership vacated. Said Committee shall choose its own officers.

Section 2. To this Committee shall be referred all articles calling for an appropriation of money in any warrant for a Town Meeting. It shall be the duty of the Selectmen after drawing the Town warrant to transmit immediately a copy of the same to the Clerk of the Finance Committee.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to make a recommendation concerning each article or transfer relating to finances of the Town. Such recommendation may, at any special meeting of the Town, be made verbally to the voters through the Chairman, or the Clerk of the Committee, and at the annual meeting of the Town, shall be reduced to a printed report available to the voters on the Monday preceding the Saturday in each year when annual appropriations shall be acted upon and considered.

Section 4. No motion relating to an expenditure of money or an appropriation shall be acted upon at any Town Meeting until it has been submitted to the Committee, except where provided otherwise by law.

## CHAPTER VI.

### FINANCIAL.

Section 1. All moneys received by any town officer or department, except as otherwise provided by law and except fees provided for by statute, shall be paid by such officer or department upon their receipt into the town treasury. Any sums so paid into the town treasury shall not later be used by such officer or department without a specific appropriation therefor, except that sums allotted for highway purposes by the Commonwealth or the County, which shall be used only for the purposes specified by the officials making the allotment or to meet temporary loans issued in anticipation of such allotment as provided by law shall be available therefor without any appropriation.

Section 2. Trust funds, including cemetery perpetual care funds, unless otherwise provided or directed by the donor thereof, shall be placed at interest in savings banks, trust companies incorporated under the laws of the Commonwealth, or national banks, or invested by the Treasurer in shares of cooperative banks, or in securities which are legal investments for savings banks.

Section 3. Funds given to the town in trust, whether by will, declaration, or otherwise, for specific purposes, shall not be mingled with other funds, but shall be kept and invested separately and used only in accordance with the terms of the gift.

Section 4. All bills incurred during the year shall be submitted to the Selectmen on or before the last day of each year.

Section 5. There shall be a Workmen's Compensation Fund from which shall be paid in accordance with the Workmen's Compensation Act; compensation and awards, and payments therefrom shall be made under the general direction and supervision of the Selectmen and the Town Treasurer.

Section 6. Five hundred dollars shall be appropriated annually for this fund, unless in the judgment of the Selectmen, in any year before the annual meeting, it appears that an appropriation of this amount is unnecessary because of a sufficient balance in said fund at that time. The fund shall be deposited in savings or national banks under the direction and control of the Town Treasurer.

## CHAPTER VII.

### LICENSES AND PERMITS.

Section 1. The Selectmen shall be the licensing authorities for the town, except where otherwise provided by law.

Section 2. Fees for all licenses and permits shall be established annually by the Selectmen except where fees are established or set by statute.

Section 3. The Selectmen may make such rules and regulations not inconsistent with law as may be deemed proper relative to the licensing of junk or second hand dealers, taxis or taxi stands.

Moderator Temple read each section of proposed By-Laws to assembled voters before section was taken up for consideration.

Voted: on motion of Selectman Daniel H. Bates to accept Chapter 1, after sections were read.



After reading of Section 1, Chapter 11, "Town Meetings", Selectman Ernest B. Porter stated there was a desire to change the date of election of town officers from the first Monday in February (present election date) to the first Monday in March as stated in proposed By-Laws to afford more time for town officers in preparing material and printing of the Town Report.

After reading of Section 2, Chapter 11, "Town Meetings", Moderator Temple requested Samuel B. Young to take the chair. Mr. Temple then moved that the business session of the annual Town meeting take place at 2.00 P. M. on the first Saturday after the first Monday in February, and election of town officers take place on the first Monday of March in each year as stated in the report. Motion was duly seconded by Gordon E. Benson. Result of standing vote declared by Mr. Young: Yes 20, No. 17.

Voted: On motion of Mr. Temple that the Selectmen with Town Counsel take any legislative proceedings necessary to attain the above changes.

Section 4, Chapter 11. Gordon E. Benson moved that 35 legal voters be required to constitute a quorum instead of 20 as stated in proposed By-Laws. Motion was not seconded.

Voted: Section 5, Chapter 11. Moderator Malcolm C. Temple moved that wording of this section be changed to read that one copy of the warrant of every Town Meeting be posted "on the exterior of the Town Hall Building" in addition to the two or more to be posted in conspicuous public places in the Town of Upton.

Voted: Section 6, Chapter 11 on motion of Moderator Malcolm C. Temple that notice of every adjourned Town Meeting shall be posted by the Town Clerk in two or more conspicuous public places in the Town of Upton, and one

copy thereof shall be posted "on the exterior of the Town Hall Building". Remainder of section as printed.

Voted: Section 13, Chapter 11. Added to section as printed: "No motion can be reconsidered at a Town Meeting after one hour from time vote is declared by presiding officer."

Voted: On motion of Donald B. Johnson to defer action on remainder of proposed By-Laws at this time and take up Article 4.

Voted: On motion of Selectman Earl G. Crockett to adopt Chapter 11 of proposed By-Laws to and including Section 13 with changes and additions.

#### MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

Article 4. Walter H. Allen spoke at length on the need of a new school building.

Donald B. Johnson, chairman of the School Committee, spoke on increased enrollment of pupils in the elementary grades; the advantages of a consolidated school for such pupils, and regional high schools.

Selectman Daniel H. Bates moved, duly seconded, to accept the report of the special Memorial High School Building Committee as one of progress and dismiss the Committee. Motion lost.

Voted: Selectman Daniel H. Bates moved, duly seconded, that the report of the Memorial High School Building Committee be accepted as one of progress.

Voted: On motion of Selectman Earl G. Crockett, duly seconded, that the Memorial High School Building Commit-

tee be instructed to contact William Upham (architect of proposed building) for final settlement and report back to the citizens at a special town meeting.

Voted: On motion of Mrs. Beatrice Wood that the School Committee with Superintendent of Schools be empowered to investigate Regional Schools outside of the town and Consolidated Elementary School within the town and report progress at a future meeting.

#### PROPOSED BY-LAWS.

Voted: Selectman Daniel H. Bates moved to take up Article 24 from the table pertaining to adoption of remaining sections of proposed new By-Laws of the Town of Upton.

Moderator Temple began reading of Section 14, Chapter 11.

Selectman Ernest B. Porter called attention to wording of Chapter 111, Section 1, "Election of Town Officers." It was also stated that since the proposed By-Laws were drawn up, action had been taken at the first adjourned annual town meeting, February 12, 1949, to elect three Park Commissioners beginning in 1950 and to continue the annual election of five Constables. Chapter was referred to the Town Counsel, who was not in the hall at the time.

Voted: Chapter IV, Section 8, "General Powers and Duties of Town Officers" to read "the last publication to be at least seven days before the opening of the bids," instead of "two days."

Voted: Add to second paragraph of Chapter IV, Section 8, "A copy to be sent to lowest bidder."

Voted: Chapter IV, Section 10, on motion of George N. O. Poirier, duly seconded, "A bond for the faithful per-

formance of any contract *shall* be required by the Selectmen, School Committee, or board or committee having in its charge the execution of such contract, and that a certificate shall be filed by the contractor showing compliance with the *Workmen's Compensation Laws*."

Voted: To accept Chapter IV with changes voted.

Voted: Chapter V, Section 3, that "a printed report available to the voters on the first Saturday after the first Monday in February."

Voted: To adopt Chapters V, VI and VII with any amendments or changes made.

Voted: To dissolve warrant.

A true record.

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON,  
Town Clerk.

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#### WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

JULY 26, 1949.

*Worcester, ss.*

To the Constable of the Town of Upton, in the County of  
Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Upton, qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Tuesday, the Twenty-sixth day of July, punctually, at Eight o'clock P. M., to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or take from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, an additional sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) for Chapter 90 Highway Construction on Mendon Street, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or take from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of Five Hundred Twenty-five Dollars (\$525.00) for the purchase of a power saw for the Tree Warden's Department, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or take from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the additional sum of Eighty-eight Dollars (\$88.00) to the Highway Employees' Vacation Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or take from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the additional sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) to the Printing Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or take from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) to repair the gates at Mill Pond, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or take from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) to be used in rebuilding a bridge on Hartford Avenue, or take any action in relation thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting attested copies thereof at each of the following places in said

Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting:—At each of the Post-offices and on the Town House in said Town.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Upton, this Sixteenth day of July in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine.

ERNEST B. PORTER,  
DANIEL H. BATES,  
Selectmen of Upton.

A true copy. Attest:

DANIEL H. BATES,  
Constable of Upton.

Upton, Mass., July 18, 1949.

By virtue of the within Warrant, I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Upton herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall, on Tuesday, the Twenty-sixth day of July, current year, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within Warrant in each of the Post-offices and on the Town House at least seven days before the meeting.

DANIEL H. BATES,  
Constable, Town of Upton.

## PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

JULY 26, 1949.

Moderator Malcolm C. Temple called the meeting to order and read the call of the meeting. Over 30 voters were present.

Article 1 was read. Chairman of Selectmen Ernest B. Porter moved to take Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to be added to Chapter 90, Mendon Street Construction, and in addition, the sum of Nine Hundred Dollars (\$900.00) be taken from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's and County's shares of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County be restored, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury. The motion was seconded.

George A. Whittemore did not receive recognition by the chair when he declined to address Moderator Temple as moderator. Mr. Whittemore stated to the voters present that any action taken at the meeting would not be valid. He said he was moderator of the town of Upton.

## MENDON STREET.

Article 1. Voted: that the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) be taken from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, to be added to Chapter 90 Mendon Street Construction, and that in addition, the sum of Nine Hundred Dollars (\$900.00) be taken from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's shares of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County be restored upon their receipt to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Before action was taken on the Article, George Nydam moved to amend Selectman Porter's motion that the Mendon

street job be let out to competitive bidding, stating that in his opinion that it would be a saving to the town.

A discussion followed. Among those speaking were Selectmen Porter and Dr. Earl G. Crockett, Road Commissioner Harry C. Snow, George N. O. Poirier and Henry J. Poirier.

Mr. Nydam subsequently withdrew his amendment which the Moderator stated had not been seconded.

#### POWER SAW.

Article 2. Voted: on motion by Donald A. Wellman, duly seconded, to pass over the article.

Finance Committee reported it did not recommend this article. After Article 4 had been acted upon, Selectman Crockett motioned to reconsider Article 2 and it was seconded. Standing vote to reconsider article was reported by Moderator Temple as Five (5) in favor, Twelve (12) opposed. Count was made by Officer Alfred H. Nichols.

#### HIGHWAY EMPLOYEES' VACATION.

Article 3. Voted: to take from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the additional sum of Eighty-eight Dollars (\$88.00) to the Highway Employees' Vacation Account. Motion made by Road Commissioner Harry C. Snow and duly seconded.

#### PRINTING ACCOUNT.

Article 4. Voted: to take from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the additional sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) to the Printing Account. Motion made by Selectman Daniel H. Bates and duly seconded.



## MILL POND GATES.

Article 5. Voted: to take from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) to repair the gates at Mill Pond. Motion made by Selectman Porter and duly seconded. Finance Committee reported favorable action, sum for the job not to exceed Two Hundred Dollars.

## HARTFORD AVENUE BRIDGE.

Article 6. Voted: to take from unappropriated available funds in the treasury, the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) to be used in rebuilding a bridge on Hartford Avenue.

Finance Committee reported it did not recommend the article at this time from information received. Road Commissioner motioned for the Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) which was duly seconded.

Selectman Crockett motioned to dissolve warrant at 8.55 P. M. and it was so voted.

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON,  
Town Clerk.

## WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

AUGUST 9, 1949.

Worcester, SS

To the Constable of the Town of Upton, in the County of  
Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Upton, qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs, to meet at

the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Tuesday the Ninth day of August, punctually, at Eight o'clock P. M. to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To hear the report of the Special Committee designated to study regional high schools and a consolidated grammar school for Upton, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and/or appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) for the purpose of acquiring land, if necessary, and of constructing thereon and originally furnishing and equipping, an elementary school building, by appropriating the sum of Twenty-seven Thousand Dollars (\$27,000.00) from fire loss insurance on the Upton High School building which was burned, Seven Hundred Dollars (\$700.00) from the sale of the town infirmary, Twenty-three Hundred Dollars (\$2300.00) by taxation the first year, and to authorize the Treasurer, with the consent and approval of the Selectmen to borrow the sum of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$120,000.00) under authority of Chapter 1487 of the Acts of 1947, and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) under authority of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, and authorize the Treasurer to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor payable in not more than twenty years from the dates thereof in accordance with Chapter 44 of the General Laws, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to elect a School Building Committee, consisting of the three members of the Upton School Committee, the Superintendent of Schools, and three other members who shall be inhabitant registered voters of the Town, and authorize and empower said Committee to acquire land, if necessary, for a building site, and to enter into all agreements and contracts for constructing and

equipping an elementary school building in Upton, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote of April 29, 1946 relative to the use of the old high school site for the building of Upton Memorial High School, or take any action relating thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to use the old high school site for the erection of an Upton elementary school, or take any action relating thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the following places in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting:—At each of the Post-Offices and on the Town House in said Town.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Upton, this First day of August in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine.

ERNEST B. PORTER,  
DANIEL H. BATES,  
EARL G. CROCKETT,  
Selectmen of Upton.

A true copy. Attest:

DANIEL H. BATES,  
Constable of Upton.

Upton, Mass., August 1, 1949.

By virtue of the within Warrant I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Upton herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall on Tuesday, the Ninth Day of August, current year, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within Warrant in each of the Post-offices and on the Town House at least seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

DANIEL H. BATES,  
Constable of Upton.

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PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
AUGUST 9, 1949.

George A. Whittemore was at the moderator's chair and claimed he was moderator of the town of Upton when Moderator Malcolm C. Temple arrived in the hall.

Moderator Temple asked the voters if they sustained him as moderator. The response was "Yes."

Moderator Temple directed Officer Arthur F. Bartlett to remove Mr. Whittemore from the hall unless the latter would be seated and act in a decorous manner. Mr. Whittemore did not take a seat and left the hall, escorted by the officer.

Moderator Temple then called the meeting to order and directed the town clerk to read the warrant.

REPORTS ON REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL AND  
CONSOLIDATED GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Article 1. School Committeeman Robert E. Maynard read a report of the School Building Committee, (comprising members of the School Committee and Superintendent

of Schools) on the possibility of joining with other towns in a Regional High School program.

In part, the report stated, that the existing state law now permits 65% financial reimbursement to member townships who participate in building a joint Regional High School; that Upton would be eligible to receive the maximum; that the law expires in 1951 unless renewed by the Legislature, and that the State School Building Assistance Commission is to make a complete survey in Upton with recommendations by November 1949.

The report further stated that the towns of Upton, Hopkinton and Southboro have a general committee which is to obtain statistics to be used in connection with the survey by the State School Building Assistance Commission.

The report further set forth that Former Federal Commissioner of Education Dr. John W. Studebaker urged consolidation of high schools to provide wider curriculum and vocational guidance.

(Report on file at town clerk's office.)

School Committeewoman Mrs. Elsie J. Craib read "A Report on the Condition of Upton Schools and the Need for Consolidation."

The report stated in part: In September there will be 434 pupils attending public schools from the town of Upton. There are 250 pupils in the first six grades, who will be taught in the Knowlton and Ball schools. Another 103 will go to Northbridge in Grades 7, 8 and 9. Grafton High School will take the remaining 81 pupils.

To take care of the first six grades in the Upton buildings, the report stated, it will be necessary to transport 27

pupils from West Upton to the Ball school, and 19 from Upton Center to the Knowlton school. This is necessary to distribute the number of pupils more equally among existing classrooms and teachers.

In the fall of 1950 the problem will be more complicated, the report stated. In the fall of 1953 there will be nearly 400 pupils in the grammar school alone, almost the total of grammar and high school pupils this fall.

Under the School Building Assistance Law, which expires in 1951, 50 per cent of the cost of a new elementary school building would be allotted if its construction and site meet with state specifications. The town initially has to defray the entire cost of the building, the report further set forth. The sum of \$200,000 is the highest amount the town can pay for any building under existing tax setup, State officials informed the Special Committee.

The Committee's plan calls for using three rooms at the Ball school and eight in the proposed elementary school to house all elementary pupils in town.

The report stated that the Knowlton school is now obsolete for an up-to-date educational program. Wooden stairs, poorly ventilated basement toilets, and inadequate playground area are among the defects of this building, the Special Committee set forth.

Additions to the Knowlton and Ball schools were considered by the Committee but not deemed advisable, they reported.

(Report on file at town clerk's office.)

Norman E. Walker moved that the School Committee be authorized to continue study and confer with adjacent towns

on the development of a Regional High School to include the town of Upton. Motion seconded. Voted.

Selectman Earl G. Crockett moved that the reports presented be accepted as reports of progress. Motion seconded. Voted.

\$200,000.00 APPROPRIATED FOR  
NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

Article 2. Voted on motion of Chairman Donald B. Johnson of the School Committee, duly seconded, "that the town of Upton raise and appropriate the sum of \$200,000 for the purpose of acquiring land, if necessary, and of constructing thereon and originally furnishing and equipping an elementary school building, by appropriating the sum of \$27,000 from fire loss insurance on the Upton High School building which was burned, \$700 from the sale of the town infirmary, \$2300 by taxation the first year, and to authorize the treasurer, with the consent and approval of the Selectmen to borrow the sum of \$120,000 under authority of Chapter 1487 of the Acts of 1947, and \$50,000 under authority of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, and authorize the Treasurer to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor payable in not more than twenty years from the dates thereof in accordance with Chapter 44 of the General Laws." Standing vote: Yes, 143; No, 1.

*Preceding the taking of the vote there was a discussion.*

Peter Robson, chairman of the Finance Committee, stated that the said Committee recommended the appropriation provided that the State reimbursed the Town 40 per cent or more.

Selectman Daniel H. Bates motioned to appropriate the money for the school building as contained in the article.

Mr. Johnson stated he had a motion written out to present to the voters. Mr. Bates said he yielded to Mr. Johnson.

Henry R. Hoyle inquired concerning the cost of enlarging the present school buildings.

Chairman Johnson said it was the opinion of the School Committee that additional rooms to the Ball building would exceed \$20,000 and related conditions of the Knowlton building. He said he believed that if some action was not taken by the town to provide school accommodations that the State would step in.

Among others speaking during the discussion included Halbert K. Struthers, Selectman Earl G. Crockett, Mrs. Mabel Sanders, Mrs. Sarah E. Pearson, Town Counsel Henry C. Walker, George N. O. Poirier and George Nydam.

Mr. Hoyle moved that the vote on the motion made by Mr. Johnson to appropriate the \$200,000 be taken by a written ballot. Motion seconded. Moderator Temple declared Mr. Hoyle's motion lost on a voice vote.

Mr. Johnson assured the voters that the proposed new building would not be built unless 40 per cent or more is to be received by the town from the Commonwealth.

Police Officers A. Frederick Bartlett, Alfred H. Nichols and Edward L. Orff took the count of the standing vote at the request of Moderator Temple.

Result announced by Moderator after counting: In favor of the motion, Yes 143; opposed, One (1).

During the discussion period and before vote on appropriation motion was taken, Moderator Temple instructed Officer Bartlett to inform Mr. Whittemore he might return



at any time into the hall if he conducted himself in a proper manner.

#### NAMING OF COMMITTEE.

Article 3. Voted: on motion of Chairman Donald B. Johnson, duly seconded, "that a school building committee be elected consisting of the three members of the Upton School Committee, the Superintendent of Schools, who will serve in an advisory capacity only, without the power to vote, and four other members who shall be inhabitant registered voters of the town, one of whom shall be a member of the Finance Committee, and that they be empowered to acquire land, if necessary for a building site, and enter into all agreements and contracts for constructing and equipping an elementary school building in Upton."

Prior to the vote, Selectman Earl G. Crockett moved to amend that part of Mr. Johnson's original motion to read that there shall be "four" inhabitant registered voters instead of "three" in order to make an uneven number on the committee with voting authority. Mr. Johnson accepted Selectman Crockett's amendment and it was embodied in his original motion.

Norman E. Walker moved that the four inhabitant registered voters be elected from the floor, singularly, and so voted the Moderator declared.

Peter Robson nominated Gordon E. Benson to represent the Finance Committee which was duly seconded. Voted.

Charles V. Goodhue nominated George N. O. Poirier, duly seconded. Voted.

Allan S. Donham nominated Allan S. Donham, duly seconded. Voted.

David A. Colcord nominated Miss Marjorie Taft, duly seconded. Miss Taft declined nomination.

Peter Robson nominated Ernest B. Porter, duly seconded. Voted.

Voted: that the balance of the School Building Committee be empowered to elect a successor to succeed Mr. Benson, if his membership on the Finance Committee is terminated, or to elect a successor to any member named at this meeting who can no longer serve on the Committee.

RESCIND VOTE OF OLD HIGH SCHOOL SITE  
FOR MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

Article 4. Voted: on motion of Selectman Earl G. Crockett, duly seconded, that the town rescind the vote of April 29, 1946 relative to the use of the old High School Site for an Upton Memorial High School Building. No dissenting voice, Moderator declared.

OLD HIGH SCHOOL SITE FOR  
NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

Article 5. Voted: on motion of Chairman Donald B. Johnson of the School Committee "that the Town of Upton use the old high school site for the erection of an Upton Elementary School if the site meets with State approval."

At 10 P. M. voted to dissolve the warrant.

A true record.

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON,  
Town Clerk.

## WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

SEPTEMBER 6, 1949.

*Worcester, SS.*

To the Constable of the Town of Upton, in the County of  
Worcester, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Upton, qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Tuesday, the Sixth day of September, punctually, at Eight o'clock P. M. to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote passed under Article 2 of the warrant for the special town meeting held August 9, 1949, so as to read as follows: Voted: To raise and appropriate \$200,000 for the purpose of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing an elementary school building on the site of the High School Building, and to meet said appropriation, that \$27,000 be transferred from the proceeds of fire insurance received on the High School Building which was burned, that \$700 be transferred from the proceeds of the sale of the Town Infirmary, that \$2300 be transferred from Surplus Revenue, and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$170,000 and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor payable in not more than 20 years. \$120,000 of the loan hereby authorized is under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 150 of the Acts of 1947, and \$50,000 of said loan is under the authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

The School Building Committee are hereby authorized to enter into contracts and do all things that are necessary for constructing, equipping and furnishing said building.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting attested copies thereof at each of the following places in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting:—At each of the Post-offices and on the Town House in said Town.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Upton this twenty-ninth day of August in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine.

ERNEST B. PORTER,  
DANIEL H. BATES,  
Selectmen of Upton.

A true copy.  
Attest:

DANIEL H. BATES,  
Constable of Upton.

Upton, Mass., August 29, 1949.

By virtue of the within Warrant, I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Upton herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall, on Tuesday, the Sixth Day of September, current year, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within Warrant in each of the Post-offices and on the Town House at least seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

DANIEL H. BATES,  
Constable of the Town of Upton.

PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 6, 1949.

Moderator Malcolm C. Temple called the meeting to order and started to read the warrant. George A. Whittemore raised a point of order as to Mr. Temple's authority to preside as moderator. Mr. Temple said he did not recognize Mr. Whittemore on the grounds that he did not address the chair. Moderator Temple resumed reading of the warrant.

Peter Robson, chairman of the Finance Committee, reported that the Committee recommended the article as read, provided that the State allotted at least 40 per cent toward the cost.

Donald B. Johnson, chairman of the School Committee, made the following motion, seconded by Chairman of Selectmen Ernest B. Porter, "I move that the town of Upton amend the vote passed under Article 2 of the warrant for the special town meeting held August 9, 1949, so as to read as follows: Voted, to raise and appropriate \$200,000 for the purposes of constructing and originally equipping and furnishing an elementary school building on the site of the former High School building, and to meet said appropriation that \$27,000 be transferred from the proceeds of fire insurance received on the High School building which was burned, that \$700 be transferred from the proceeds of the sale of the Town Infirmary, that \$2300 be transferred from surplus Revenue, and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$170,000 and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor payable in not more than 20 years, \$120,000 of the loan hereby authorized is under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 150 of the Acts of 1947 and \$50,000 of said loan is under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

"The School Building Committee is hereby authorized to enter into contracts and do all things that are necessary for constructing, equipping and furnishing said building."

Moderator Temple asked Police Officers A. Frederick Bartlett and Alfred H. Nichols to make the count of voters in favor and opposed. A standing vote was taken.

Moderator Temple announced the vote as follows: In favor of the motion: Yes, 35; opposed, 0.

Motion was made to dissolve the warrant, seconded, and so voted.

A true record.

GEORGE G. NEWTON,  
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
DECEMBER 27, 1949.

Worcester, ss.

To the Constable of the Town of Upton, in the County of Worcester. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Upton, qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Tuesday the Twenty-seventh day of December, punctually, at Eight o'clock P. M. to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the following appropriations: Insurance, One hundred Sixty-two Dollars and Seventy-two Cents, (\$162.72); Housing Au-

thority, Expenses, Seventy-five Dollars, (\$75.00); Mill Pond Dam, Two Hundred Dollars, (\$200.00); Sidewalks, Eighteen Dollars and Thirty-three Cents, (\$18.33); Board of Health, Care of Patients, Thirty-eight Dollars and Fifty Cents, (\$38.50); Street Lights, Seventy-five Dollars, (\$75.00); Treasurer's Expenses, Thirty-three Dollars and Seven Cents, (\$33.07); Town Halls and Repairs, One Hundred Dollars, (\$100.00), making a total of Seven Hundred and Two Dollars and Sixty-two Cents, (\$702.62), to Public Welfare, General, Appropriation, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the following appropriation: Athletic Field and Parks, Forty-seven Dollars and Seventy-two Cents, (\$47.72) to Board of Health, General, Appropriation, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the following appropriation: Signs, Sixty-five Dollars and Ten Cents, (\$65.10) to Board of Health, Town Dump, Appropriation, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the following appropriation: Bridges, Forty-two Dollars and Seventy-eight Cents, (\$42.78) to Fire Department Appropriation, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the following appropriations: Athletic Field and Parks, Twenty-nine Dollars and Twenty-eight Cents, (\$29.28) and Notes and Interest, Six Dollars and Fifty Cents, (\$6.50), making a total of Thirty-five Dollars and Seventy-eight Cents, (\$35.78), to Ambulance Appropriation, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting attested copies thereof at each of the following places in said

Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting:—At each of the Post-offices and on the Town House in said Town.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time and meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Upton, this Nineteenth day of December in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine.

ERNEST B. PORTER,  
DANIEL H. BATES,  
EARL G. CROCKETT,  
Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, Mass., December 20, 1949.

By virtue of the within Warrant, I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Upton herein described to assemble in their Town Hall, Tuesday, the Twenty-seventh Day of December, current year, for the purposes mentioned by posting attested copies of the within Warrant in each of the Post-offices and on the Town House at least seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

DANIEL H. BATES,  
Constable of Upton.

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PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
DECEMBER 27, 1949.

Moderator Malcolm C. Temple called the meeting to order. He stated that inasmuch as there was a lack of a quorum the meeting was adjourned.



(Earlier in the day officials learned that a typographical error had been made in designating the hour that the meeting had been called to take place. Two warrants stated "8 a. m." The original and a fourth warrant stated "8 p. m.")

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON,  
Town Clerk.

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WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING  
JANUARY 4, 1950.

*Worcester, ss.*

To the Constable of the Town of Upton, in the County of  
Worcester. Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Upton, qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Wednesday, the Fourth day of January, 1950, punctually, at Eight o'clock P. M. to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the following appropriations: Insurance, One Hundred Sixty-two Dollars and Seventy-two Cents (\$162.72); Housing Authority, Expenses, Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00); Mill Pond Dam, Two Hundred Dollars, (\$200.00); Sidewalks, Eighteen Dollars and Thirty-three Cents, (\$18.33); Board of Health, Care of Patients, Thirty-eight Dollars and Fifty Cents, (\$38.50); Street Lights, Seventy-five Dollars, (\$75.00); Treasurer's Expenses, Thirty-three Dollars and Seven Cents, (\$33.07); Town Halls and Repairs, One Hundred Dollars, (\$100.00), making a total of Seven Hundred and Two Dollars

and Sixty-two Cents, (\$702.62), to Public Welfare, General, Appropriation, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the following appropriations: Athletic Field and Parks, Forty-seven Dollars and Seventy-two Cents, (\$47.72) to Board of Health, General, Appropriation, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the following appropriation: Signs, Sixty-five Dollars and Ten Cents (\$65.10) to Board of Health, Town Dump, Appropriation, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the following appropriation: Bridges, Forty-two Dollars and Seventy-eight Cents, (\$42.78) to Fire Department Appropriation, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the following appropriations: Athletic Field and Parks, Twenty-nine Dollars and Twenty-eight Cents, (\$29.28) and Notes and Interest, Six Dollars and Fifty Cents, (\$6.50), making a total of Thirty-five Dollars and Seventy-eight Cents, (\$35.78), to Ambulance Appropriation, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant, by posting attested copies thereof at each of the following places in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting:—At each of the Post-offices and on the Town House in said Town.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, before the time and place of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Upton this Twenty-eighth day of December in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine.

ERNEST B. PORTER,  
DANIEL H. BATES,  
EARL G. CROCKETT,

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, Mass., December 28, 1949.

By virtue of the within Warrant, I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Upton herein described to assemble in their Town Hall, Wednesday, the Fourth Day of January, 1950, for the purposes mentioned by posting attested copies of the within Warrant in each of the Post-offices and on the Town House at least seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

DANIEL H. BATES,

Constable of Upton.

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#### PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

JANUARY 4, 1950.

The meeting was called to order at 8 p. m. by the Town Clerk, who requested Constable Edward L. Orff to make a count of voters in the hall. Mr. Orff reported 21. The Town Clerk announced that Moderator Malcolm C. Temple had telephoned that he would be delayed in reaching the hall. Chairman of Selectmen Ernest B. Porter moved to adjourn for 30 minutes. Motion seconded.

George A. Whittemore stated to the voters that on legal advice that he was moderator of the Town of Upton and was in the hall to preside.

From the assembly were calls for "Question." Mr. Porter's motion to adjourn for 30 minutes was voted.

Moderator Temple presided when the assembly reconvened and read the Warrant in full with constable's return.

After Charles F. Caton moved to transfer certain sums of money to the Public Welfare General Relief Appropriation, duly seconded, under Article 1, Mr. Whittemore again arose. Moderator Temple said he would not recognize the speaker until the latter properly addressed the chair. Mr. Whittemore continued speaking on his claim that he was still moderator. Mr. Temple placed Mr. Caton's motion before the voters.

#### PUBLIC WELFARE, GENERAL.

Article 1. Voted: on motion of Charles F. Caton, chairman of the Public Welfare Board, duly seconded, that the following appropriations be transferred to the Public Welfare General Relief Appropriation from Insurance, One Hundred Sixty-two Dollars and Seventy-two Cents, (\$162.72); Housing Authority, Expenses, Seventy-five Dollars, (\$75.00); Mill Pond Dam, Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00); Sidewalks, Eighteen Dollars and Thirty-three Cents, (\$18.33); Board of Health, Care of Patients, Thirty-eight Dollars and Fifty Cents, (\$38.50); Street Lights, Seventy-five Dollars (\$75.00); Treasurer's Expenses, Thirty-three Dollars and Seven Cents, (\$33.07); Town Halls and Repairs, One Hundred Dollars, (\$100.00), a total of Seven Hundred and Two Dollars and Sixty-two Cents, (\$702.62.)

#### BOARD OF HEALTH, GENERAL.

Article 2. Voted: on motion of Chairman of Selectmen Ernest B. Porter, duly seconded, to transfer from the following appropriation: Athletic Field and Parks, Forty-seven

Dollars and Seventy-two Cents (\$47.72) to Board of Health, General, Appropriation.

#### TOWN DUMP.

Article 3. Voted: on motion of Chairman of Selectmen Ernest B. Porter, duly seconded, to transfer from the following appropriation: Signs, Sixty-five Dollars and Ten Cents, (\$65.10) to Board of Health, Town Dump, Appropriation.

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Article 4. Voted: on motion of Chairman of Selectmen Ernest B. Porter, duly seconded, to transfer from the following appropriation: Bridges, Forty-two Dollars and Seventy-eight Cents, (\$42.78) to Fire Department Appropriation.

#### AMBULANCE.

Article 5. Voted: on motion of Chairman of Selectmen Ernest B. Porter, duly seconded, to transfer from the following appropriations: Athletic Field and Parks, Twenty-nine Dollars and Twenty-eight Cents, (\$29.28) and Notes and Interest, Six Dollars and Fifty Cents, (\$6.50), making a total of Thirty-five Dollars and Seventy-eight Cents, to Ambulance Appropriation.

Motion to dissolve the Warrant was voted.

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON,

Town Clerk.

REPORT OF UPTON MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL  
BUILDING COMMITTEE.

During the year 1949 the Upton Memorial High School Building Committee conducted five meetings.

Brochures emphasizing the more important features of the Proposed High School Building were prepared by Mr. Wm. G. Upham, Architect and distributed to the voters at the Annual Town Meeting in February.

Mr. Samuel B. Young, Chairman, gave a verbal report at the February Town Meeting as a supplement to the written report which appeared in the 1948 Town Report.

On February 19th at the adjourned Annual Town Meeting it was voted to instruct the Upton Memorial High School Building Committee to contact Mr. Wm. G. Upham, Architect, for final settlement of the contract between Architect and the Town of Upton, dated August 22, 1945.

The settlement of said contract was affected on August 10, 1949 in the amount of nine thousand seven hundred sixty-four dollars and sixty-eight cents (\$9,764.68) and copies of settlement agreement signed by William G. Upham, Architect, and Samuel B. Young, Chairman, were forwarded to Mr. George G. Newton, Town Clerk and Mr. Leo F. Murphy, Town Treasurer.

Three (3) sets of working drawings and three (3) Books of Specifications of the Proposed Upton Memorial High School Building are stored in vault in Town Hall Building. All other records and minutes of the many, many meetings which have been held during the past four and one-half years will be turned over to the Town Clerk upon the discharge of the Upton Memorial High School Building Committee.

Expenditures of money appropriated by Town were as follows:

\$2,500.00 appropriated May 1945

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Survey by Dr. Blair .....               | \$100.00   |
| Architect's fees—Mr. Wm. G. Upham ..... | 2,400.00   |
|   | <hr/>      |
|   | \$2,500.00 |

\$12,000.00 appropriated December 1946

|  |             |
|--|-------------|
| March 1947, Williard Brown, Topographical map .....    | \$425.00    |
| June 1948, Raymond Concrete Pile Co., borings .....    | 341.32      |
| August 1948, James E. Heaney Co., testing well .....   | 100.00      |
| Consolidated, William G. Upham, Architect's fees ..... | 11,058.43   |
| Miscellaneous expenses .....                           | 75.25       |
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|  | \$12,000.00 |

SAMUEL B. YOUNG,  
Chairman.

## 1949 JURY LIST.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 234, Sections 4 and 5 of the General Laws, the Selectmen of the Town of Upton have prepared a list of names of persons residing in this town and placed them in the jury list box for the coming 12 months.

| Name                 | Street         | Occupation       |
|----------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Allen, Walter H.     | West River     | Machinist        |
| Bradford, Ronald L.  | Main           | Machine Operator |
| Briggs, Ralph G.     | Main           | Merchant         |
| Brittle, Maurice L.  | Nelson         | Watchman         |
| Brousseau, Walter L. | Brookside      | Retired          |
| Driscoll, Joseph J.  | Centennial Ct. | Hatter           |
| Freeman, Harry       | Main           | Assembler        |
| Heavner, Goff B.     | Main           | Retired          |
| Henault, Arthur P.   | Hopkinton      | Whittler         |
| Lambert, Clement J.  | Farm           | Foreman          |
| Mosso, Nelson        | Central Square | Plumber          |
| Noe, Joseph C.       | Main           | Machine Operator |
| Page, Arthur J.      | Centennial Ct. | Foreman          |
| Robson, Peter        | Russell Avenue | Plumber          |
| Rock, Edward C.      | Main           | Poultryman       |
| St. Andre, William   | Central Square | Machine Operator |
| Stanley, Dana A.     | Grove          | Retired          |
| Strachan, James A.   | Maple Avenue   | Machinist        |
| Temple, Malcolm C.   | East           | Contractor       |
| Thompson, David E.   | North Main     | Retired          |
| Varney, Donald L.    | Centennial Ct. | Bleacher         |
| Wellman, Donald A.   | Main           | Woodworker       |
| Wood, Kendall W.     | Main           | Clerk            |
| Wood, Kenneth W.     | Russell Avenue | Clerk            |
| Young, Charles H.    | Maple Avenue   | Retired          |

June 27, 1949.



## JURORS DRAWN IN 1949.

Bradford, Ronald L. Civil

Drawn Dec. 6, 1949

LICENSES ISSUED THROUGH TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE.  
DOG LICENSES.

A total of 360 Dog Licenses were issued in 1949; 225 Males, 57 Females, 77 Spayed, Six \$10 Kennel and One Transfer. Paid to Town Treasurer, \$876.00.

## FISH AND GAME LICENSES.

A total of 449 Licenses were issued in 1949: 163 Fishing, 70 Hunting, 100 Sporting, 77 Women's and Minors', 2 Minor Trapping, 6 Citizens' Trapping, 3 Non-Resident Fishing (3-Day), 4 Non-Resident Fishing (year), 1 Non-Resident Hunting, 2 Duplicate, 18 Sporting and Trapping (free—70 years of age or over), 3 Servicemen's (free). Cash sent to Division of Fisheries and Game, \$853.50.

## TOWN LICENSES.

(Granted by Selectmen.)

A total of 47 Licenses were issued: 2 Common Victualer—All Alcoholic Beverages, 2 Retail Package Store—All Alcoholic Beverages, 6 Common Victualer, 1 First Class Auto Dealer, Agent's Class; 20 permits to carry pistol or revolver, 1 Innholder, 1 Voting List, 1 Denatured Alcohol, 1 Anti-Freeze, 6 Sunday License to sell Ice Cream, etc., 6 Certificates of Registration to sell Gasoline. Paid to Town Treasurer, \$1,564.00.

GEORGE G. NEWTON,

Town Clerk and  
Clerk to Selectmen.

## VITAL STATISTICS.

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### BIRTHS RECORDED IN UPTON IN 1949.

| Date of Birth. |    | Name of Child.              |
|----------------|----|-----------------------------|
| January        | 11 | Edward Martin Wadsworth     |
| January        | 20 | Harold Vincent Higgins, Jr. |
| January        | 31 | Carol Ann Kuczinski         |
| February       | 6  | Ida Mary Stuart             |
| February       | 11 | Brenda Elaine Ramsey        |
| February       | 21 | Lorraine Ann Picard         |
| February       | 26 | Victor Edward Mainville     |
| February       | 26 | George James Belsito        |
| March          | 4  | Nancy Carolyn Porter        |
| March          | 15 | Donald Eugene Bartlett      |
| March          | 24 | James Richard Whelan        |
| April          | 7  | Sally Jane Perkins          |
| April          | 10 | Paul Joseph Jacques         |
| April          | 12 | Barbara Jean Estes          |
| May            | 18 | Patricia May Hilliard       |
| May            | 20 | Leonard Damon Fowler        |
| May            | 24 | Richard Thomas Porter       |
| May            | 25 | Lorelei Jane Stanley        |
| May            | 28 | Doris Yvonne Cote           |
| June           | 27 | Robert Wayne Smith          |
| June           | 28 | David Marsden Grice         |
| July           | 1  | Linda Patricia Caton        |
| July           | 5  | Kathryn Mary Higgins        |
| July           | 5  | William James Kelly         |
| July           | 15 | Pamela Joan Craib           |
| August         | 10 | Robert Paul Bartlett        |
| August         | 12 | Robert Edward Fitzgerald    |
| August         | 14 | Christopher Joseph Holzer   |
| August         | 16 | Kimberley Jane Summers      |
| August         | 26 | Pamela Laura Thompson       |
| August         | 30 | Deborah Ann Wellman         |
| September      | 6  | Stephen Ronald Bradford     |

## BIRTHS.

| Date of Birth. |    | Name of Child.              |
|----------------|----|-----------------------------|
| September      | 19 | Darryl Francis Caputo       |
| October        | 2  | Reginald Lloyd Higgins, Jr. |
| October        | 3  | Lorna Mabel Burns           |
| October        | 3  | Marilyn Anne Noe            |
| October        | 5  | Patricia Jean Kearnan       |
| October        | 10 | Clare Cutler                |
| October        | 29 | Leona May Montgomery        |
| November       | 4  | Carl Eric Paulson           |
| November       | 4  | Robert Ernest Bailey        |
| November       | 6  | William Sinclair Mitchell   |
| November       | 8  | .... Griffin                |
| November       | 9  | Stillborn                   |
| November       | 17 | George Piddington Earl, Jr. |
| November       | 29 | William Bradford Mettey     |
| November       | 30 | Wayne Richard Farrar        |

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN UPTON  
IN 1949.

| Date  | Name, Age and Residence  | By Whom and Where Married                 |
|-------|--|---|
| Jan.  | 1 Jennings F. Ballard, 29, Arlington, Va.<br>Frances R. Hopkins, 27, Upton | Rev. Wm. Williams<br>Upton                |
| Jan.  | 15 John F. Maroney, 18, Upton<br>Mary E. Bradley, 17, Providence           | Rev. Timothy J. Sullivan<br>Providence    |
| Jan.  | 29 Edwin J. Tetlow, Jr., 22, Upton<br>Genevieve Ferreira, 18, No. Grafton  | Claude M. Maker, J.P.<br>Merrimack, N. H. |
| Jan.  | 29 Alan A. Bigelow, 19, Upton<br>Dorothy S. Perron, 18, Westboro           | Rev. Kenneth L. Palmer<br>Westboro        |
| Feb.  | 25 George P. Earl, 23, Upton<br>Nadean D. Bower, 23, Compton, Cal.         | Rev. William Williams<br>Upton            |
| Feb.  | 27 Walter F. Caniff, 24, Shrewsbury<br>Marilyn I. Hill, 21, Upton          | Rev. William Williams<br>Upton            |
| Mar.  | 18 Reginald L. Higgins, 17, Upton<br>Carolyn E. Taft, 16, Upton            | Rev. William Williams<br>Upton            |
| April | 4 Charles H. Southland, 47, Upton<br>Carrie I. Shimkus, 47, Upton          | Rev. William Williams<br>Upton            |
| April | 6 John F. LaRose, 19, Grafton<br>Helen L. Nydam, 19, Upton                 | Rev. Alfred B. Minyard<br>Upton           |
| April | 9 Donald L. Hofstra, 18, Grafton<br>Phyllis L. Christie, 17, Upton         | Rev. Harold M. Weaving<br>Framingham      |
| April | 23 George W. Bishop, 24, West Medway<br>Dorothy R. Fenner, 19, Upton       | Rev. Thomas J. Smith<br>Upton             |
| May   | 7 Thomas J. Lucciarini, 26, Milford<br>Helene G. Baker, 19, Upton          | Rev. John P. Stanton<br>Milford           |
| May   | 14 Leland J. Sanders, 22, Upton<br>Madeline I. Cook, 20, Uxbridge          | Rev. Alfred B. Minyard<br>Uxbridge        |
| May   | 14 Robert A. Philbrook, 17, Whitinsville<br>Marilyn J. Tetlow, 17, Upton   | Rev. Wm. Williams<br>Upton                |
| May   | 27 George H. Fisher, 28, Upton<br>Claire M. Barr, 22, Uxbridge             | Rev. Howard F. Smith, Jr.<br>Uxbridge     |
| May   | 28 Daniel F. Bates, 24, Upton<br>Dorothy Young, 21, Hopedale               | Rev. JB Hollis<br>Hopedale                |
| June  | 4 Calvin C. White, 19, Roslindale<br>Dorothy E. Temple, 28, Upton          | Rev. William Williams<br>Upton            |
| June  | 8 Philip F. Dearth, 31, Upton<br>Nona L. Smyth, 32, Holliston              | Alice V. Flanders, J.P.<br>Concord, N. H. |
| June  | 11 Francis E. Burpee, 21, Upton<br>Nettie W. Gee, 24, Winchendon           | Arthur F. Evans, J.P.<br>Winchendon       |
| June  | 15 Richard C. Calnan, 22, Northbridge<br>Theresa M. Fontaine, 18, Sutton   | Rev. William Williams<br>Upton            |
| June  | 25 Francis R. Paille, 21, Upton<br>Mildred E. Theirrien, 20, Grafton       | Rev. John J. Sweeney<br>Grafton           |

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN UPTON  
IN 1949.

|       |    | Name, Age and Residence   | By Whom and Where Married                   |
|-------|----|---|---|
| June  | 25 | Paul F. Pieklik, 52, Grafton<br>Julia M. Kozel, 39, Upton             | Rev. Thomas J. Smith<br>Upton               |
| July  | 2  | Joseph P. Flynn, 25, Upton<br>Blanche E. Williams, 22, Upton          | Rev. Thomas W. Kidd<br>(Charlestown) Boston |
| July  | 2  | Earl Fowler, 29, Upton<br>Edna J. Urquhart, 34, Hopedale              | Rev. William Williams<br>Hopedale           |
| July  | 2  | Ernest F. Paige, 48, Upton<br>Helen R. Phillips, 34, Hopedale         | Rev. Eric A. Ayer<br>Milford                |
| July  | 2  | Harry C. Wentworth, 22, Upton<br>Irene A. Mercier, 23, Uxbridge       | Rev. A. N. Gagnon<br>Uxbridge               |
| July  | 2  | Joseph H. Martin, 3d, 23, Upton<br>Donalda T. Rivard, 20, Upton       | Rev. Thomas J. Smith<br>Upton               |
| July  | 15 | Alfred E. Slack, 40, Worcester<br>Barbara R. Green, 31, Upton         | Rev. J. Robert Bath<br>Grafton              |
| July  | 30 | Samuel E. Aldrich, 20, Upton<br>Kathleen A. Orta, 21, Milford         | Rev. Joseph A. Lacey<br>Milford             |
| Aug.  | 5  | Richard W. Orff, 20, Upton<br>Beverly J. Smith, 18, Northbridge       | Rev. Horace G. Robson<br>Northbridge        |
| Aug.  | 13 | George H. Page, 20, Upton<br>Ida-Marie Poirier, 19, Upton             | Rev. Thomas J. Smith<br>Upton               |
| Aug.  | 15 | Richard L. Goodrich, 20, Upton<br>Mary V. Hebb, 15, Upton             | Rev. Dowie G. DeBoer<br>Milford             |
| Aug.  | 21 | Donald F. Kerr, 22, Milford<br>Anne E. Locky, 21, Milford             | Rev. Dowie G. DeBoer<br>Upton               |
| Aug.  | 28 | Ernest E. Sprague, 56, Upton<br>Millicent E. Jenks, 64, Upton         | Rev. Roscoe C. Robison<br>Grafton           |
| Sept. | 9  | Herbert W. Uppitt, 23, Miami, Fla.<br>June M. Higgins, 22, Worcester  | Rev. JB H. Tegarden<br>Upton                |
| Sept. | 17 | Richard A. Lemoine, 23, Northbridge<br>Anne E. Page, 18, Upton        | Rev. L. M. Charron<br>Upton                 |
| Sept. | 24 | William M. McClure, Jr., 22, Upton<br>Joanne H. Beal, 22, West Medway | Robert S. Leonard, J.P.<br>Grafton          |
| Oct.  | 1  | George N. Blakeslee, 35, Upton<br>Virginia L. Boucher, 50, Upton      | Rev. Thomas J. Smith<br>Upton               |
| Oct.  | 1  | John A. Saucier, 22, Upton<br>Catherine M. Bruce, 22, Milford         | Rev. John Flaherty<br>Milford               |
| Oct.  | 15 | Graydon F. Moses, 25, Attleboro<br>Alice L. Howarth, 20, Upton        | Rev. Norman J. Raison<br>Upton              |
| Oct.  | 29 | Roland G. Lapan, 26, Upton<br>Joan E. McCarthy, 22, Milford           | Rev. John Flaherty<br>Milford               |
| Nov.  | 26 | Victor Carl Person, 44, Upton<br>Irene B. Bond, 52, Needham           | Rev. JB Hollis Tegarden<br>Hopedale         |
| Dec.  | 5  | Francis J. Shimkus, 47, Upton<br>Mary L. LaChance, 38, Oxford         | Clare T. Boyer, J.P.<br>Southbridge         |

## DEATHS RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1949.

| Date of<br>Death | Name                   | Age  |      |               | Place of<br>Burial |
|------------------|------------------------|------|------|---------------|--------------------|
|                  |                        | Y    | M    | D             |                    |
| Jan. 1           | Gary Noe               | .... | .... | 5             | Lakeview           |
| Jan. 8           | Lilla F. Burnham       | 88   | 2    | 4             | Slatersville, R.I. |
| Jan. 8           | Margaret M. McEneaney  | 83   | 9    | 9             | Westboro           |
| Jan. 21          | David J. Moroney       | 89   | 7    | 19            | Lakeview           |
| Jan. 28          | Mary C. Temple         | 70   | 10   | 22            | Lakeview           |
| Jan. 31          | Albert W. Thomas       | 78   | 6    | 8             | Lakeview           |
| Feb. 5           | Mary P. Gould          | 75   | 3    | 8             | Lakeview           |
| Feb. 10          | Lillian W. Chamberlain | 80   | 4    | 11            | Lakeview           |
| Feb. 18          | Florence G. Richardson | 67   | 6    | 3             | Westwood           |
| Feb. 26          | Baby Mainville         | .... | .... | 4 hrs.        | Lakeview           |
| Mar. 28          | Sarah C. Newcomb       | 66   | .... | ....          | Worcester          |
| Apr. 9           | Gertrude E. Hager      | 73   | .... | ....          | Warren             |
| Apr. 17          | Vera N. Marshall       | 47   | 8    | 10            | Lakeview           |
| Apr. 18          | Laura J. Thompson      | 69   | 11   | 14            | Northbridge        |
| May 1            | Stillborn              | .... | .... | ....          | Lakeview           |
| June 1           | Alice E. Davidson      | 92   | 6    | 5             | Lakeview           |
| June 12          | Henry E. Earl          | 50   | 3    | 16            | Worcester          |
| June 19          | Whitman H. Holbrook    | 71   | 4    | 23            | Lakeview           |
| June 25          | Nellie R. Turner       | 81   | 7    | ....          | Maplewood          |
| July 1           | Wilhelemina M. Euerle  | 69   | 3    | 18            | Stratford, Ct.     |
| Aug. 5           | Charles J. Lambert     | 77   | 9    | 1             | Lakeview           |
| Aug. 5           | Franklin Smith         | 74   | 1    | 22            | Maplewood          |
| Aug. 22          | Ida H. Smith           | 73   | 10   | 10            | Maplewood          |
| Aug. 31          | Benjamin C. Crooker    | 60   | 11   | 11            | Lakeview           |
| Sept. 19         | William H. O'Connell   | 62   | .... | ....          | Milford            |
| Sept. 21         | Perry C. Alexander     | 75   | 1    | 11            | Lakeview           |
| Oct. 16          | Elizabeth G. Lennon    | 84   | 2    | 1             | Quincy             |
| Nov. 8           | .... Griffin           | .... | .... | 4 hrs. 5 min. | Lakeview           |
| Nov. 9           | Stillborn              | .... | .... | ....          | Lakeview           |
| Dec. 10          | Harry E. Darling       | 88   | .... | ....          | Salem              |

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|---------|-----------------|----|---|---|----------|
| Dec. 31 | Edward D. Smith | 76 | 5 | 6 | Lakeview |
|---------|-----------------|----|---|---|----------|

## PERSONS BROUGHT TO UPTON FOR BURIAL IN 1949.

## LAKEVIEW CEMETERY.

| Date of<br>Death | Name                         | Age  |      |      | Place of<br>Residence   |
|------------------|------------------------------|------|------|------|-------------------------|
|                  |                              | Y    | M    | D    |                         |
| Jan. 8           | Ruth I. Ramsey               | 57   | 11   | 12   | Shrewsbury              |
| Feb. 1           | Arba S. Baldwin              | 68   | 1    | 23   | Redondo Beach<br>Calif. |
| Feb. 28          | Leroy E. S. Wood             | 64   | 3    | 14   | Ashland                 |
| Mar. 3           | Perry Wood                   | 84   | 6    | 12   | Deering, N. H.          |
| May 21           | Mary E. Sears                | 81   | 1    | 23   | Shrewsbury              |
| May 28           | Baby Waldron                 | .... | .... | 2    | Milford                 |
| May 29           | Gordon G. Marshall           | 32   | 11   | 4    | Holliston               |
| June 3           | Rose M. Whitney              | 68   | 2    | 6    | Hopedale                |
| June 10          | Robert E. Seyins             | 21   | 11   | 6    | Monson                  |
| June 14          | Eva B. Keith                 | 70   | 1    | 23   | Grafton                 |
| July 8           | Mary E. Green                | 84   | .... | .... | Somerville              |
| Aug. 2           | Fred A. Whitney              | 71   | 2    | 8    | Hopedale                |
| Aug. 19          | William J. Sears             | 88   | 7    | 6    | Shrewsbury              |
| Nov. 2           | J. Frederick Comstock        | 83   | 4    | 28   | Hopedale                |
| Nov. 8           | Robert D. Handy              | .... | 8    | .... | Milford                 |
| Nov. 20          | S/Sgt.<br>Walter F. Donnelly | 53   | 2    | 21   | Ludlow                  |
| Dec. 3           | Ida B. Chamberlain           | 77   | 2    | .... | Shrewsbury              |
| Dec. 28          | William Wrenn                | 70   | 11   | 14   | Hopedale                |

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|         |                   |    |      |      |         |
|---------|-------------------|----|------|------|---------|
| Dec. 17 | Nellie M. Lincoln | 88 | .... | .... | Beverly |
|---------|-------------------|----|------|------|---------|

## MAPLEWOOD CEMETERY.

| Date of<br>Death | Name                | Y  | M    | D    | Residence      |
|------------------|---------------------|----|------|------|----------------|
| 1944             |                     |    |      |      |                |
| Aug. 8           | Pvt. George L. Wood | 22 | .... | .... | Died in France |
| 1949             |                     |    |      |      |                |
| Apr. 25          | Seth S. Stanhope    | 81 | 10   | 13   | Worcester      |
| May 9            | Gertrude M. Potter  | 70 | 10   | 4    | Milford        |
| Dec. 10          | Lilla S. Rowe       | 77 | 3    | 8    | Mendon         |
| Dec. 27          | Henry G. Bailey     | 85 | 8    | 6    | Worcester      |

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

### Bills approved for payment:

|                             |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| Ambulance maintenance ..... | \$360 58 |
|-----------------------------|----------|

### Board of Health:

|                                    |          |            |
|------------------------------------|----------|------------|
| General .....                      | \$247 72 |            |
| Care of Patients .....             | 511 50   |            |
| District Nursing Association ..... | 550 00   |            |
| Town Dump .....                    | 366 10   |            |
|                                    |          | \$1,675 32 |

### Cemeteries:

|                          |            |            |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| General .....            | \$2,653 87 |            |
| Grading and oiling ..... | 196 40     |            |
|                          |            | \$2,850 27 |

|                                   |        |
|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Cemeteries—Interest Account ..... | 373 70 |
|-----------------------------------|--------|

### County Assessments:

|                                    |            |            |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| County Tax .....                   | \$3,718 86 |            |
| County Sanatorium—Maintenance .... | 1,520 69   |            |
| County Sanatorium—Assessment ....  | 1,495 08   |            |
|                                    |            | \$6,734 63 |

|                                  |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| Dog Tax remitted to County ..... | 874 20 |
|----------------------------------|--------|

### Fire Department:

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Bills approved by Fire Engineers ..... | 1,942 23 |
|--|----------|

### Forest Warden:

|                                |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Bills approved by Warden ..... | 1,262 13 |
|--------------------------------|----------|



|                              |        |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Gypsy Moth Suppression ..... | 199 85 |
|------------------------------|--------|

## Highways:

|                                   |                   |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Chapter 81 .....                  | \$19,250 00       |
| Chapter 90—Maintenance .....      | 1,349 65          |
| Bridges .....                     | 402 11            |
| Machinery Account .....           | 33 54             |
| Sidewalks .....                   | 481 67            |
| Signs .....                       | 24 28             |
| Snow Removal .....                | 4,935 23          |
| Mendon Street—Chapter 90 .....    | 8,200 91          |
| Wildwood Avenue .....             | 199 30            |
| Hartford Avenue Bridge .....      | 211 20            |
| Snow Fence Posts .....            | 200 00            |
| 1948 Snow Removal .....           | 939 09            |
| Highway Employees' Vacation ..... | 288 00            |
|                                   | <hr/> \$36,514 98 |

|                 |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| Insurance ..... | 1,287 28 |
|-----------------|----------|

|                                |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|
| Library (Carpenter Fund) ..... | 1,093 20 |
|--------------------------------|----------|

|                    |        |
|--------------------|--------|
| Memorial Day ..... | 299 66 |
|--------------------|--------|

|                               |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| Notes and Interest—Note ..... | \$2,900 00       |
| Interest .....                | 43 50            |
|                               | <hr/> \$2,943 50 |

## Old Age Assistance:

|                                      |                   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Bills approved by O. A. Bureau ..... | \$67,844 09       |
| Administration .....                 | 733 04            |
|                                      | <hr/> \$68,577 13 |

|                                |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| Parks and Athletic Field ..... | 223 00 |
|--------------------------------|--------|

|              |          |
|--------------|----------|
| Police ..... | 1,499 92 |
|--------------|----------|

## Public Welfare:

|  |            |                  |
|--|------------|------------------|
| Bills approved by Public Welfare ..... | \$4,177 78 |                  |
| Aid to Dependent Children .....        | 5,413 95   |                  |
|  |            | <hr/> \$9,591 73 |

|                |  |          |
|----------------|--|----------|
| Printing ..... |  | 1,179 52 |
|----------------|--|----------|

## Schools:

|                                     |             |                   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Bills approved by School Committee, |             |                   |
| General .....                       | \$70,701 91 |                   |
| Bills approved by Selectmen,        |             |                   |
| Industrial Schools .....            | 965 17      |                   |
| 1948 Industrial Schools .....       | 302 39      |                   |
|                                     |             | <hr/> \$71,969 47 |

|                                  |            |  |
|----------------------------------|------------|--|
| Street Lights .....              | \$4,415 26 |  |
| Town Halls and Repairs .....     | 3,406 45   |  |
| Town Officers and Expenses ..... | 6,814 01   |  |
| Tree Warden .....                | 493 65     |  |
| Veterans' Service .....          | 997 40     |  |

## State Assessments:

|                                    |          |                |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------------|
| Auditing Municipal Accounts .....  | \$527 47 |                |
| State Parks and Reservations ..... | 214 80   |                |
|                                    |          | <hr/> \$742 27 |

## OTHER APPROPRIATIONS.

## Bills approved for payment:

|  |          |  |
|--|----------|--|
| County Retirement Pension Fund ....    | \$366 00 |  |
| Fire Department—Smoke Masks .....      | 237 00   |  |
| Forest Fire Department—Smoke           |          |  |
| Masks .....                            | 237 00   |  |
| Memorial High School Bldg. Plans ..... | 9,764 68 |  |
| Water Holes .....                      | 3 00     |  |
| Farm Street Layout .....               | 200 00   |  |
| Pleasant Street Bridge, Balance .....  | 821 67   |  |
| Mimeographing Proposed By-Laws ..      | 56 85    |  |

|                                      |        |
|--------------------------------------|--------|
| Excise and Other Tax Abatements .... | 312 75 |
| Workmen's Compensation Fund .....    | 21 60  |

Payments from Ella W. Risteen Fund—Interest:

|                                    |                  |
|------------------------------------|------------------|
| Clause 13-B (Relief) .....         | \$600 00         |
| Clause 13-D (Beautification) ..... | 786 00           |
|                                    | <hr/> \$1,386 00 |

Payrolls to Deposit:

|                                  |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| Interest—Post-War Rehabilitation |        |
| Bonds .....                      | 250 00 |
| Cemetery—Legacy Fund .....       | 200 00 |

|                               |                    |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| Total Payrolls Approved ..... | <hr/> \$242,182 89 |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST B. PORTER,  
DANIEL H. BATES,  
EARL G. CROCKETT,  
Selectmen of Upton.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

TOWN OFFICERS AND EXPENSES.

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Appropriation .....                    | \$7,010 00       |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund .....    | 119 68           |
|  | <hr/> \$7,129 68 |
| Voted to Public Welfare, General ..... | 108 07           |
|  | <hr/> \$7,021 61 |
| Expenditures .....                     | <hr/> \$6,814 01 |
| Unexpended Balance .....               | <hr/> \$207 60   |

## SALARIES.

|                          |            |            |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|
| Allotted .....           | \$4,815 00 |            |
| From Reserve Fund .....  | 2 50       |            |
|                          |            | <hr/>      |
|                          |            | \$4,817 50 |
| Expended .....           |            | 4,776 11   |
|                          |            | <hr/>      |
| Unexpended Balance ..... |            | \$41 39    |

## EXPENSES.

|                             |            |            |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
|                             | \$2,195 00 |            |
|                             | 117 18     |            |
|                             |            | <hr/>      |
|                             |            | \$2,312 18 |
| Reduced, Town Meeting ..... |            | 108 07     |
|                             |            | <hr/>      |
|                             |            | \$2,204 11 |
| Expended .....              |            | 2,037 90   |
|                             |            | <hr/>      |
| Unexpended .....            |            | \$166 21   |

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Temporary Auditor.

## ASSESSORS.

## Salaries:

|                               |          |            |
|-------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Allotted .....                |          | \$1,025 00 |
| Bills approved:               |          |            |
| G. E. Bradley, Chairman ..... | \$400 00 |            |
| D. L. Varney, Clerk .....     | 325 00   |            |
| N. E. Walker .....            | 275 00   |            |
|                               |          | <hr/>      |
|                               |          | \$1,000 00 |
| Unexpended Balance .....      |          | \$25 00    |

## Expenses:

|                |          |
|----------------|----------|
| Allotted ..... | \$450 00 |
|----------------|----------|

## Bills approved:

|                                      |        |          |
|--------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Assessors' Association, dues .....   | \$6 00 |          |
| Stoneham Independent .....           | 1 00   |          |
| Greenwood's Typewriter Exchange .... | 12 00  |          |
| Norman Walker, services .....        | 25 00  |          |
| Hobbs & Warren, supplies .....       | 76 97  |          |
| Dorothy Varney, typing .....         | 35 25  |          |
| Stanton Baker, typing .....          | 25 00  |          |
| Worcester Co. Abstract Co. ....      | 130 44 |          |
| Dura Binding Co. ....                | 9 00   |          |
| G. E. Bradley, expenses .....        | 38 00  |          |
| N. E. Walker, expenses .....         | 8 00   |          |
|                                      |        | <hr/>    |
|                                      |        | \$366 66 |

|                          |         |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Unexpended Balance ..... | \$83 34 |
|--------------------------|---------|

## AUDITOR.

## Salary:

|                                     |          |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Allotted .....                      | \$125 00 |          |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund ..... | 2 50     |          |
|                                     |          | <hr/>    |
|                                     |          | \$127 50 |

## Bills approved:

|                                     |          |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| A. M. Perkins, Auditor .....        | \$104 10 |          |
| H. L. Martindale, Temporary Auditor | 10 42    |          |
| Cahill's, ledger .....              | 2 00     |          |
|                                     |          | <hr/>    |
|                                     |          | \$116 52 |

|                          |         |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Unexpended Balance ..... | \$10 98 |
|--------------------------|---------|

## CEMETERY COMMISSION.

## Salary:

|                |         |
|----------------|---------|
| Allotted ..... | \$85 00 |
|----------------|---------|

## Bills approved:

|                                  |         |
|----------------------------------|---------|
| Norman E. Walker, Chairman ..... | \$30 00 |
|----------------------------------|---------|

|                                |       |               |
|--------------------------------|-------|---------------|
| Ralph A. Thompson .....        | 22 92 |               |
| E. F. Butterfield, Clerk ..... | 30 00 |               |
|                                |       | <hr/> \$82 92 |
| Unexpended Balance .....       |       | \$2 08        |

## PUBLIC WELFARE.

|                                  |          |                |
|----------------------------------|----------|----------------|
| Salary:                          |          |                |
| Allotted .....                   |          | \$315 00       |
| Bills approved:                  |          |                |
| Charles F. Caton, Chairman ..... | \$100 00 |                |
| Ernest I. Bentley .....          | 75 00    |                |
| Charles A. Davis, Clerk .....    | 140 00   |                |
|                                  |          | <hr/> \$315 00 |

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

|                               |         |                |
|-------------------------------|---------|----------------|
| Salaries:                     |         |                |
| Allotted .....                |         | \$145 00       |
| Bills approved:               |         |                |
| D. B. Johnson, Chairman ..... | \$40 00 |                |
| Elsie J. Craib, Clerk .....   | 65 00   |                |
| R. E. Maynard .....           | 36 67   |                |
|                               |         | <hr/> \$141 67 |
| Unexpended Balance .....      |         | \$3 38         |

## TAX COLLECTOR.

|                                    |        |          |
|------------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Salary:                            |        |          |
| Allotted .....                     |        | \$850 00 |
| Bills approved:                    |        |          |
| C. J. Lambert, Tax Collector ..... | 850 00 |          |
| Expenses:                          |        |          |
| Allotted: .....                    |        | \$400 00 |

## Bills approved:

|  |         |          |
|--|---------|----------|
| J. W. Gorman, postage, envelopes ..... | \$98 14 |          |
| Palley Office Supply .....             | 33 47   |          |
| Hobbs & Warren .....                   | 29 49   |          |
| Seaver's Express .....                 | 4 04    |          |
| H. J. Poirier, services .....          | 8 00    |          |
| Mimeograph Distributors .....          | 90 00   |          |
| A. W. LaFond & Co. ....                | 103 50  |          |
| H. F. Nealley, services .....          | 8 00    |          |
| Gorman's Insurance Agency .....        | 5 00    |          |
| C. J. Lambert .....                    | 10 00   |          |
| Mass. Collectors' Association .....    | 1 00    |          |
|  |         | <hr/>    |
|  |         | \$390 64 |

|                          |        |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Unexpended Balance ..... | \$9 36 |
|--------------------------|--------|

## TOWN CLERK.

## Salary:

|                |          |
|----------------|----------|
| Allotted ..... | \$350 00 |
|----------------|----------|

## Bills approved:

|                                  |        |
|----------------------------------|--------|
| Geo. G. Newton, Town Clerk ..... | 350 00 |
|----------------------------------|--------|

## Expenses:

|                |          |
|----------------|----------|
| Allotted ..... | \$225 00 |
|----------------|----------|

## Bills approved:

|                                      |          |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Vital Statistics .....               | \$141 00 |          |
| Geo. G. Newton, postage .....        | 1 10     |          |
| Mass. Town Clerks' Asso., dues ..... | 3 00     |          |
| Geo. G. Newton, expenses .....       | 37 47    |          |
| H. W. Beal, mortgage book .....      | 13 79    |          |
|                                      |          | <hr/>    |
|                                      |          | \$196 36 |

|                          |         |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Unexpended Balance ..... | \$28 64 |
|--------------------------|---------|

## TOWN COUNSEL.

## Salary:

|                |         |
|----------------|---------|
| Allotted ..... | \$50 00 |
|----------------|---------|

## Bills approved:

|                                  |       |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| H. C. Walker, Town Counsel ..... | 50 00 |
|----------------------------------|-------|

## Expenses:

|                                     |          |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Allotted .....                      | \$100 00 |          |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund ..... | 46 15    |          |
|                                     |          | \$146 15 |

## Bills approved:

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| H. C. Walker, special services, telephone calls ..... | 146 15 |
|---|--------|

## TOWN TREASURER.

## Salary:

|                |          |
|----------------|----------|
| Allotted ..... | \$750 00 |
|----------------|----------|

## Bills approved:

|                                     |        |
|-------------------------------------|--------|
| Leo F. Murphy, Town Treasurer ..... | 750 00 |
|-------------------------------------|--------|

## Expenses:

|                                     |          |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Allotted .....                      | \$250 00 |          |
| Transferred to Public Welfare ..... | 33 07    |          |
|                                     |          | \$216 93 |

## Bills approved:

|                                     |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| F. E. Check Protector .....         | \$143 45 |
| Mass. Treasurers' Asso., dues ..... | 1 00     |
| Cahill's supplies .....             | 2 30     |
| Elinor Perkins, typing .....        | 10 00    |



|                              |       |          |
|------------------------------|-------|----------|
| L. F. Murphy, expenses ..... | 25 02 |          |
| L. F. Murphy, postage .....  | 35 16 |          |
|                              | <hr/> | \$216 93 |

## SELECTMEN.

## Salaries:

|                |  |          |
|----------------|--|----------|
| Allotted ..... |  | \$625 00 |
|----------------|--|----------|

## Bills approved:

|                              |          |          |
|------------------------------|----------|----------|
| E. B. Porter, Chairman ..... | \$175 00 |          |
| D. H. Bates .....            | 150 00   |          |
| E. G. Crockett .....         | 150 00   |          |
| Geo. G. Newton, Clerk .....  | 150 00   |          |
|                              | <hr/>    | \$625 00 |

## Expenses:

|                                     |         |         |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Allotted .....                      | \$50 00 |         |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund ..... | 30 00   |         |
|                                     | <hr/>   | \$80 00 |

## Bills approved:

|                                      |         |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Mass. Selectmen's Asso., dues .....  | \$25 00 |         |
| Worcester Co. Selectmen's Asso. .... | 6 00    |         |
| Worcester Co. Abstract Co. ....      | 4 00    |         |
| E. G. Crockett, expenses .....       | 20 00   |         |
| E. B. Porter, expenses .....         | 25 00   |         |
|                                      | <hr/>   | \$80 00 |

## VETERANS' SERVICE.

## Salaries:

|                |  |          |
|----------------|--|----------|
| Allotted ..... |  | \$100 00 |
|----------------|--|----------|

## Bill approved:

|  |  |        |
|--|--|--------|
| E. S. Henderson, service officer ..... |  | 100 00 |
|--|--|--------|

## FINANCE COMMITTEE.

|                |         |
|----------------|---------|
| Allotted ..... | \$60 00 |
|----------------|---------|

## Bill approved:

|                                |       |
|--------------------------------|-------|
| Harrison E. Bates, clerk ..... | 60 00 |
|--------------------------------|-------|

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

## Salary:

|                |         |
|----------------|---------|
| Allotted ..... | \$80 00 |
|----------------|---------|

## Bill approved:

|                              |       |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Fred W. Tuttle, Sealer ..... | 80 00 |
|------------------------------|-------|

## Expenses:

|                |         |
|----------------|---------|
| Allotted ..... | \$20 00 |
|----------------|---------|

## Bill approved:

|                                    |      |
|------------------------------------|------|
| W. & L. E. Gourley, supplies ..... | 8 30 |
|------------------------------------|------|

|                          |         |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Unexpended balance ..... | \$11 70 |
|--------------------------|---------|

## BONDING TOWN OFFICERS.

## Expense:

|                                     |          |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Allotted .....                      | \$175 00 |          |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund ..... | 11 75    |          |
|                                     |          | \$186 75 |

## Bill approved:

|                       |        |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Gorman's Agency ..... | 186 75 |
|-----------------------|--------|

## REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

## Salaries:

|                |          |
|----------------|----------|
| Allotted ..... | \$155 00 |
|----------------|----------|

## Bills approved:

|                             |         |          |
|-----------------------------|---------|----------|
| E. W. Sadler Chairman ..... | \$35 00 |          |
| R. M. Stuart .....          | 35 00   |          |
| J. L. Kearnan .....         | 35 00   |          |
| Geo. G. Newton, Clerk ..... | 50 00   |          |
|                             |         | <hr/>    |
|                             |         | \$155 00 |

## Expenses:

|                |          |
|----------------|----------|
| Allotted ..... | \$150 00 |
|----------------|----------|

## Bills approved:

|  |         |          |
|--|---------|----------|
| Francis Kearnan, listing, expense .... | \$53 18 |          |
| J. J. Driscoll, listing .....          | 46 38   |          |
| Dorothy Wellman, checking .....        | 25 00   |          |
| Charlescraft Press .....               | 5 50    |          |
| Geo. G. Newton, postage .....          | 1 77    |          |
|  |         | <hr/>    |
|  |         | \$141 83 |

|                          |      |
|--------------------------|------|
| Unexpended Balance ..... | 8 17 |
|--------------------------|------|

## TOWN MEETINGS.

## Expenses:

|                                     |          |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Allotted .....                      | \$275 00 |          |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund ..... | 29 28    |          |
|                                     |          | <hr/>    |
|                                     |          | \$304 28 |

## Bills approved:

|                                   |          |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Town Elections .....              | \$206 60 |          |
| Thompson's Spa, lunch .....       | 9 18     |          |
| M. C. Temple, Moderator .....     | 35 00    |          |
| P. E. Philbin, stenographer ..... | 53 50    |          |
|                                   |          | <hr/>    |
|                                   |          | \$304 28 |

## HOUSING AUTHORITY.

## Expenses:

|                |          |
|----------------|----------|
| Allotted ..... | \$100 00 |
|----------------|----------|

|                              |                |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| Deducted, Town Meeting ..... | 75 00          |
| Unexpended Balance .....     | <u>\$25 00</u> |

## ANIMAL INSPECTOR.

|                                 |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Salary:                         |          |
| Allotted .....                  | \$100 00 |
| Bill approved:                  |          |
| A. W. Morrison, Inspector ..... | 100 00   |

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

## TOWN HALLS AND REPAIRS.

|                                     |                   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Appropriation .....                 | \$3,500 00        |
| Transferred at Special Town Meeting | 100 00            |
| Transferred from Reserve Fund ..... | 6 45              |
|                                     | <u>\$3,406 45</u> |

## Bills approved for payment:

|                                      |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Robert E. Blackburn, caretaker ..... | \$900 00 |
| Walter J. Stank, caretaker .....     | 180 00   |
| Worcester Suburban Electric Co. .... | 311 06   |
| N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co. ....           | 126 53   |
| Upton Fuel Co. ....                  | 695 57   |
| Thompson's Oil Service .....         | 705 02   |
| W. G. Fiske Lumber Co. ....          | 14 79    |
| Worcester Gas Light Co. ....         | 25 62    |
| Community Store .....                | 10 00    |
| Daniel H. Fay, labor .....           | 1 00     |
| Moroney Bros., supplies .....        | 1 05     |
| G. H. Davis, supplies .....          | 4 81     |
| H. R. Hoyle, sign .....              | 2 00     |

|   |        |                  |
|---|--------|------------------|
| Edward A. Page, services .....                | 98 70  |                  |
| Geo. G. Newton, express .....                 | 1 32   |                  |
| Federal Laboratories .....                    | 22 00  |                  |
| S. B. Young, labor .....                      | 16 60  |                  |
| H. S. Hopkins, supplies, labor .....          | 12 00  |                  |
| Vincent Powers, labor .....                   | 15 75  |                  |
| E. C. Newton, labor, supplies .....           | 6 00   |                  |
| Victor W. Collier, services .....             | 7 50   |                  |
| H. E. Erickson, supplies .....                | 2 69   |                  |
| Thomas Francis .....                          | 25 85  |                  |
| C. B. Dolge Co., supplies .....               | 19 50  |                  |
| J. D. Porter, labor, supplies .....           | 30 10  |                  |
| J. W. Welch, Inc., supplies .....             | 9 80   |                  |
| Gladys G. Crockett, advt. ....                | 7 50   |                  |
| Vitie Laucis, labor .....                     | 12 75  |                  |
| E. A. Fiske, Jr., labor, supplies .....       | 115 00 |                  |
| Walter E. Hopkins, Jr., labor, supplies ..... | 25 94  |                  |
|   |        | <hr/> \$3,406 45 |

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

#### ATHLETIC FIELD AND PARKS.

|                             |          |                |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------------|
| Appropriation .....         | \$300 00 |                |
| Reduced, Town Meeting ..... | 77 00    |                |
|                             |          | <hr/> \$223 00 |

#### Bills approved:

|                                      |        |                |
|--------------------------------------|--------|----------------|
| W. G. Fiske Lumber Co. ....          | \$5 80 |                |
| S. B. Young, services .....          | 2 50   |                |
| H. L. Smith, services .....          | 8 10   |                |
| Edward Kuczinski, services .....     | 21 50  |                |
| H. R. Hoyle, signs .....             | 4 00   |                |
| Thomas Blackburn, services .....     | 5 20   |                |
| H. J. Poirier, labor, material ..... | 175 90 |                |
|                                      |        | <hr/> \$223 00 |

## ELLA W. RISTEEN FUND, BEAUTIFICATION.

## Bills approved:

|                                     |          |                |
|-------------------------------------|----------|----------------|
| F. A. Bartlett Tree Expert Co. .... | \$750 00 |                |
| Charles Lakin .....                 | 36 00    |                |
|                                     |          | <hr/> \$786 00 |

## WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION FUND.

|                          |        |               |
|--------------------------|--------|---------------|
| Joseph Bibeau .....      | \$9 60 |               |
| Dr. B. F. McKernan ..... | 12 00  |               |
|                          |        | <hr/> \$21 60 |

## PLEASANT STREET BRIDGE.

|                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
| Balance, January 1, 1949 ..... | \$1,339 20 |
|--------------------------------|------------|

## Bill approved:

|                          |          |       |
|--------------------------|----------|-------|
| Bonazzoli & Son .....    | \$821 67 |       |
|                          |          | <hr/> |
| Unexpended Balance ..... | \$517 53 |       |

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HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

1949

## RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

| Departments               | Appropriations | Transfers from<br>Reserve<br>Fund | Allotments from<br>Available<br>Funds | Total Receipts | Total<br>Expenditures | Unexpended<br>Balance |
|---------------------------|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Ambulance Maintenance     | \$250 00       | * \$97 98                         | + \$35 78                             | \$383 76       | \$360 58              | \$23 18               |
| Board of Health:          |                |                                   |                                       |                |                       |                       |
| General                   | 200 00         |                                   | + 47 72                               | 247 72         | 247 72                |                       |
| Care of Patients          | 550 00         |                                   | — 38 50                               | 511 50         | 511 50                |                       |
| District Nursing Asso.    | 550 00         |                                   |                                       | 550 00         | 550 00                |                       |
| Town Dump                 | 300 00         | * 1 00                            | + 65 10                               | 366 10         | 366 10                |                       |
| Cemeteries:               |                |                                   |                                       |                |                       |                       |
| General                   | 2,650 00       | * 3 87                            |                                       | 2,653 87       | 2,653 87              |                       |
| Grading and Oiling        | 500 00         |                                   |                                       | 500 00         | 196 40                | 303 60                |
| Worcester County Hospital |                |                                   |                                       |                |                       |                       |
| Care, Maintenance         | 1,520 69       |                                   |                                       | 1,520 69       | 1,520 69              |                       |
| Patients' Assessment      | 1,495 08       |                                   |                                       | 1,495 08       | 1,495 08              |                       |
| Fire Department           | 1,900 00       |                                   | + 42 78                               | 1,942 78       | 1,942 23              | 55                    |
| Forest Fires              | 500 00         | * 763 13                          |                                       | 1,263 13       | 1,262 13              | 1 00                  |
| Gypsy Moth Suppression    | 200 00         |                                   |                                       | 200 00         | 199 85                | 15                    |
| Highways:                 |                |                                   |                                       |                |                       |                       |
| Chapter 81                | 4,500 00       |                                   | 14,750 00                             | 19,250 00      | 19,250 00             |                       |
| Chapter 90 Maintenance    | 450 00         |                                   | 900 00                                | 1,350 00       | 1,349 65              | 35                    |
| Bridges                   | 500 00         |                                   | — 42 78                               | 457 22         | 402 11                | 55 11                 |
|                           |                |                                   | { b 124 75                            |                |                       |                       |
|                           |                |                                   | { c 9 10                              | 133 85         | 33 54                 | 100 31                |
| Machinery Account         |                |                                   | — 18 33                               | 481 67         | 481 67                |                       |
| Sidewalks                 | 500 00         |                                   | — 65 10                               | 34 90          | 24 28                 | 10 62                 |
| Signs                     | 100 00         |                                   |                                       | 5,000 00       | 4,935 23              | 64 77                 |
| Snow Removal              | 5,000 00       |                                   |                                       |                |                       |                       |

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|                               |           |          |           |           |           |           |
|-------------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Insurance                     | 1,450 00  | —        | 162 72    | 1,287 28  | 1,287 28  |           |
| Library—Carpenter Fund        | 1,000 00  |          | 100 00    | 1,100 00  | 1,093 20  | 6 80      |
| Memorial Day                  | 300 00    |          |           | 300 00    | 299 66    | 34        |
| Notes and Interest            | 50 00     | —        | 6 50      | 43 50     | 43 50     |           |
| Old Age Asst. (Town)          | 41,000 00 |          |           | 41,000 00 | 39,133 85 | 1,866 15  |
| Old Age Asst. (Grant)         |           |          | 28,710 24 | 28,710 24 | 28,710 24 |           |
| Old Age Adm. (Town)           | 500 00    |          |           | 500 00    | 43 91     | 456 09    |
| Old Age Adm. (Grant)          |           |          | 689 13    | 689 13    | 689 13    |           |
| Parks, Athletic Field         | 300 00    | —        | 77 00     | 223 00    | 223 00    |           |
| Police                        | 1,500 00  |          |           | 1,500 00  | 1,499 92  | 08        |
| Public Welfare—General        | 3,500 00  | +        | 702 62    | 4,202 62  | 4,177 78  | 24 84     |
| Aid Depdt. Children, Town     | 4,000 00  | * 411 69 |           | 4,411 69  | 4,321 69  | 90 00     |
| Aid Depdt. Children, Grant    |           |          | 1,092 26  | 1,092 26  | 1,092 26  |           |
| Printing                      | 1,000 00  | * 80 00  | t 100 00  | 1,180 00  | 1,179 52  | 48        |
| Schools:                      |           |          |           |           |           |           |
| General                       | 70,480 00 |          |           | 71,448 23 | 70,701 91 | 746 32    |
| Dog Tax                       |           |          | 694 41    |           |           |           |
| Trust Funds, Interest         |           |          | 273 82    |           |           |           |
| Industrial                    | 1,000 00  |          |           | 1,000 00  | 965 17    | 34 83     |
| Street Lights                 | 4,500 00  |          | 75 00     | 4,425 00  | 4,415 26  | 9 74      |
| Town Halls and Repairs        | 3,500 00  | * 6 45   | — 100 00  | 3,406 45  | 3,406 45  |           |
| Town Officers and Expenses    | 7,010 00  | * 119 68 | — 108 07  | 7,021 61  | 6,814 01  | 207 60    |
| Tree Warden                   | 500 00    |          |           | 500 00    | 498 65    | 1 35      |
| Veterans' Service             | 1,000 00  |          |           | 1,000 00  | 997 40    | 2 60      |
| <b>Special Appropriations</b> |           |          |           |           |           |           |
| Elementary School             |           |          | 30,000 00 | 30,000 00 |           | 30,000 00 |
| Snow Fence Posts              | 200 00    |          |           | 200 00    | 200 00    |           |
| '48 Industrial Schools        | 302 39    |          |           | 302 39    | 302 39    |           |
| County Retirement             | 366 00    |          |           | 366 00    | 366 00    |           |
| Highway Emps.' Vacation       | 200 00    |          | t 88 00   | 288 00    | 288 00    |           |
| '48 Snow Removal              | 939 09    |          |           | 939 09    | 939 09    |           |
| Repair Mill Pond Dam          | 200 00    | —        | 200 00    |           |           |           |



|   |                     |                   |                    |                     |                     |                     |
|---|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Wildwood Ave.   | 200 00              |                   |                    | 200 00              | 199 30              | 70                  |
| Fire Dept., Smoke Masks                                     | 237 00              |                   |                    | 237 00              | 237 00              |                     |
| Forest Fire D. Smoke Masks                                  | 237 00              |                   |                    | 237 00              | 237 00              |                     |
| Mill Pond Gates   |                     |                   | t 200 00           | 200 00              |                     | 200 00              |
| Hartford Ave. Bridge  |                     |                   | t 400 00           | 400 00              | 211 20              | 188 80              |
| Memorial High School  |                     |                   | b 9,764 68         | 9,764 68            | 9,764 68            |                     |
| '44 Water Holes   |                     |                   | b 200 00           | 200 00              | 3 00                | 197 00              |
| Farm St. Layout   |                     |                   | b 200 00           | 200 00              | 200 00              |                     |
| Mendon St., Chapt. 90                                       | 1,750 00            | *                 | 91 { 6,150 00      |                     |                     |                     |
|   |                     |                   | t 300 00           | 8,200 91            | 8,200 91            |                     |
| Pleasant St. Bridge   |                     |                   | b 1,339 20         | 1,339 20            | 821 67              | 517 53              |
| Mimeographing By-Laws                                       |                     |                   | b 100 00           | 100 00              | 56 85               | 43 15               |
| Bathing Beach   |                     |                   | b 6 49             | 6 49                |                     | 6 49                |
| Tax Liens   |                     |                   | b 317 50           | 317 50              |                     | 317 50              |
| W. W. 2 Honor Roll  |                     |                   | b 43 20            | 43 20               |                     | 43 20               |
| Farm St. Light  |                     |                   | b 15 00            | 15 00               |                     | 15 00               |
| Inhalator (Gift)  |                     |                   | b 6 50             | 6 50                |                     | 6 50                |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>\$168,887 25</b> | <b>\$1,484 71</b> | <b>\$96,574 28</b> | <b>\$266,946 24</b> | <b>\$231,403 51</b> | <b>\$35,542 73</b>  |
| <b>Reserve Fund</b>   | <b>1,500 00</b>     |                   |                    | <b>1,500 00</b>     | <b>1,484 71</b>     | <b>15 29</b>        |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>\$170,387 25</b> | <b>\$1,484 71</b> | <b>\$96,574 28</b> | <b>\$268,446 24</b> | <b>\$232,888 22</b> | <b>\$35,558 02</b>  |
| <b>Grand Total Expenditures for 1949 Selectmen's Report</b> |                     |                   |                    |                     |                     | <b>\$242,182 89</b> |

Other Payrolls Approved:—

|   |              |
|---|--------------|
| From Appropriations, Transfers and Receipts ..... | \$231,403 51 |
| Auditing Municipal Accounts .....                 | 527 47       |
| Cemetery—Interest .....                           | 373 70       |
| County Tax .....                                  | 3,718 86     |
| 1949 Dog Tax .....                                | 874 20       |
| Excise and Other Tax Abatements .....             | 312 75       |
| Ella W. Risteen Fund—Clause 13-B (Relief).....    | 600 00       |

|   |                     |                     |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| Ella W. Risteen Fund—Clause 13-D (Beautification) ..... | 786 00              |                     |
| State Parks and Reservations Assessment .....           | 214 80              |                     |
| Payrolls—to Deposit:                                    |                     |                     |
| Cemetery—Legacy Fund .....                              | 200 00              |                     |
| Interest—Post-War Rehabilitation Bonds .....            | 250 00              |                     |
| Note 58—Anticipation of Taxes .....                     | 2,900 00            |                     |
| Industrial Accident Fund .....                          | 21 60               |                     |
|   | <u>\$242,182 89</u> | <u>\$242,182 89</u> |

\*—Transferred from Reserve Fund.  
b—Balance January 1, 1949.  
c—Transferred from Machinery Fund.  
t—Transferred from Available Funds.

+ Increase by Transfer from Other Appropriation.  
— Reduced by Transfer to Other Appropriation.

Compiled and submitted by GEORGE G. NEWTON, Clerk to Selectmen.

I have examined this report and find it correct, HARVEY L. MARTINDALE, Temporary Auditor.

## ASSESSORS' REPORT FOR 1949.

|  |                    |
|--|--------------------|
| Number of Horses assessed .....        | 46                 |
| Cows .....                             | 126                |
| Neat Cattle .....                      | 44                 |
| Swine .....                            | 103                |
| Sheep .....                            | 37                 |
| Other Animals .....                    | 2656               |
| Fowl .....                             | 6720               |
| Houses .....                           | 731                |
| Acres of Land .....                    | 12,148             |
| Valuation of Real Estate .....         | \$1,312,975 00     |
| Personal Estate Valuation .....        | 232,515 00         |
| <br>Total .....                        | <br>\$1,545,490 00 |
| <br>Number of Persons assessed .....   | <br>737            |
| Number of Polls assessed .....         | 731                |
| Value of assessed Live Stock .....     | 25,375 00          |
| Value of Assessed Stock in Trade ..... | 35,875 00          |
| Value of assessed Machinery .....      | 164,760 00         |
| Value of Tangible Property .....       | 6,505 00           |

Tax for State, County and Town purposes including  
overlaying for abatements only:—

### RECAPITULATION.

|                          | 1948         | 1949         |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Town Appropriation ..... | \$158,831 10 | \$187,058 99 |
| *Approved of 23-59 ..... | 26,146 74    | 20,053 51    |
| State Tax .....          |              |              |
| State Parks .....        | 121 11       | 151 83       |

|                             |          |          |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|
| State Audit .....           | 340 75   | 340 75   |
| County Tax .....            | 3,311 87 | 3,929 53 |
| Tuberculosis Hospital ..... | 4,559 41 | 3,015 77 |
| Overlayings .....           | 3,003 73 | 3,588 74 |
| Unestimated in 1943 .....   | 572 32   |          |
| Retirement .....            | 354 65   | 366 00   |

#### Estimated Receipts:

You can use only the amounts certified to you by the Commission of Corporations and Taxation.

|  | 1948         | 1949         |
|--|--------------|--------------|
|  | \$102,422 26 | \$198,900 69 |
| Overlay Adjustment .....                                     | 1 46         |              |
| Net Amount raised by Taxation on<br>Polls and Property ..... | 94,569 42    | 97,251 38    |
| Tax Rate .....   | 66 20        | 63 00        |
| Excise Tax Warrant .....                                     | 7,133 95     | 10,298 40    |
| Value of Motor Vehicles .....                                | 230,570 00   | 319,180 00   |
| Number of Motor Vehicles .....                               | 992          | 1,080        |

GEORGE E. BRADLEY,  
NORMAN E. WALKER,  
DONALD L. VARNEY,  
Assessors of Upton.

## ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT.

### CHAPTER 81.

|                           |                    |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| State Appropriation ..... | \$14,750 00        |
| Town Appropriation .....  | 4,500 00           |
| Total .....               | <u>\$19,250 00</u> |

### LABOR.

|                                      |                   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Harry C. Snow, Street Superintendent | \$1,379 71        |
| Geo. Salisbury .....                 | 490 05            |
| Edward Fisher .....                  | 960 75            |
| Austin Orff .....                    | 900 45            |
| Oscar Halberg .....                  | 897 30            |
| Richard Hilliard .....               | 463 95            |
| Thomas Flaherty .....                | 770 40            |
| Harold Smith .....                   | 178 20            |
| Roland Temple .....                  | 35 00             |
| Everitt Green .....                  | 2 00              |
| Henry J. Poirier (man) .....         | 61 50             |
| Romaldo Severi .....                 | 22 50             |
|                                      | <u>\$6,161 81</u> |

### MACHINERY.

|                                   |                   |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Henry J. Poirier, Trucks, Shovel, |                   |
| Grader, etc. ....                 | \$4,374 58        |
| Town of Upton, Roller .....       | 55 25             |
| Town of Northbridge, Roller ..... | 52 50             |
|                                   | <u>\$4,482 33</u> |

### MATERIALS.

|                                       |            |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Henry J. Poirier, Sand, Gravel, Patch |            |
| and rent .....                        | \$4,107 34 |

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| W. G. Fiske Lumber Co., Tools,<br>Wedges, Posts, etc. .... | 75 23            |
| Roland Temple, Dynamite and Caps ....                      | 43 50            |
| Upton Fuel Co., Oil .....                                  | 15 05            |
| Luhons Inc., Weed Killer .....                             | 182 16           |
| Waite Hardware, Wicks .....                                | 1 37             |
| Koppers Co., Mc-2, Rc-2, T-4 .....                         | 4,166 81         |
| Atillio Ferretti, C. Blocks .....                          | 14 40            |
|  | <hr/> \$8,605 86 |
| Total Expenditures .....                                   | \$19,250 00      |
| Balance .....  | 00000 00         |

Respectfully submitted,  
**HARRY C. SNOW,**  
 Road Commissioner.

I have examined this account and find it correct.  
**HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,**  
 Temporary Auditor.

#### CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION.

|                            |                  |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| State Appropriation .....  | \$4,100 00       |
| County Appropriation ..... | 2,050 00         |
| Town Appropriation .....   | 2,050 00         |
| Town Transfer .....        | 91               |
| Total Appropriation .....  | <hr/> \$8,200 91 |

#### LABOR.

|                                      |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Harry C. Snow, Street Superintendent | \$319 28 |
| Edward Fisher .....                  | 145 35   |
| Austin Orff .....                    | 130 95   |
| Oscar Halberg .....                  | 166 95   |
| Tom Flaherty .....                   | 110 25   |
| Henry J. Poirier (man) .....         | 181 35   |

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| Abel Stevens (blaster and helper) ..... | 189 00 |
| Romaldo Severi, Roll Operator .....     | 32 25  |
| Noel Pelletier, Grader Operator .....   | 41 26  |
| Erle Fish, Jr., Carpenter .....         | 5 00   |

## MACHINERY.

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Henry J. Poirier, shovel, trucks, bull-<br>dozer, etc. .... | \$2,198 25 |
| Town of Northbridge, roller .....                           | 57 75      |
| Town of Grafton, grader .....                               | 45 00      |

## MATERIALS.

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Henry J. Poirier, gravel and patch ..... | \$3,754 83 |
| Upton Fuel Co., oil .....                | 18 83      |
| Linwood Lumber Co., pipes .....          | 24 00      |
| Abel Stevens, dynamite and caps .....    | 108 50     |
| Attilio Ferretti, cement blocks .....    | 10 80      |
| Corbett Concrete Pipe Co., pipe .....    | 35 00      |
| Koppers Co., T-6 .....                   | 533 31     |
| Ralph Conroy, mx. mach. ....             | 90 00      |
| County Commissioners, ad .....           | 3 00       |
| Total Expenditures .....                 | \$8,200 91 |

HARRY C. SNOW,  
Road Commissioner.

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Temporary Auditor.

## CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE.

|                            |            |
|----------------------------|------------|
| State Appropriation .....  | \$450 00   |
| County Appropriation ..... | 450 00     |
| Town Appropriation .....   | 450 00     |
| Total .....                | \$1,350 00 |

## LABOR.

|                                      |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Harry C. Snow, Street Superintendent | \$16 20 |
| Geo. Salisbury .....                 | 7 20    |
| Edward Fisher .....                  | 10 80   |
| Austin Orff .....                    | 10 80   |
| Oscar Halberg .....                  | 7 20    |
| Richard Hilliard .....               | 10 80   |
| Tom Flaherty .....                   | 3 60    |

## MACHINERY.

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Henry J. Poirier, truck and sander ..... | \$20 50 |
|--|---------|

## MATERIALS.

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Henry J. Poirier, fill, gravel and sand | \$559 60          |
| Upton Fuel Co., cement .....            | 3 60              |
| American Oil Co., patch .....           | 20 75             |
| Koppers Co., T-8 and RC-2 .....         | 678 60            |
| Total Expenditures .....                | <u>\$1,349 65</u> |
| Balance .....                           | 35                |

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SNOW,

Road Commissioner.

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HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,

Temporary Auditor.

## SNOW REMOVAL.

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Town Appropriation ..... | \$5,000 00 |
|--------------------------|------------|

## LABOR.

|                                      |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Harry C. Snow, Street Superintendent | \$384 43 |
| Geo. Salisbury .....                 | 104 85   |
| Edward Fisher .....                  | 201 83   |



|                              |        |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Austin Orff .....            | 112 05 |
| Henry J. Poirier (man) ..... | 135 01 |
| Richard Hilliard .....       | 144 00 |
| Tom Flaherty .....           | 91 35  |
| Oscar Halberg .....          | 201 83 |
| Harold Smith .....           | 21 15  |
| Kenneth Briggs .....         | 5 40   |

## MACHINERY.

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Henry J. Poirier, plows, loader, trucks,<br>etc. .... | \$2,703 25 |
| Joseph Coutour, horse and plow .....                  | 64 00      |
| Norman Wood, plow .....                               | 15 75      |
| Herbert Erickson, plow .....                          | 2 00       |
| Edward Kuczinski, shovel .....                        | 26 00      |

## MATERIALS.

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Henry J. Poirier, sand .....            | \$542 00          |
| Worcester Distributor Corp., salt ..... | 170 00            |
| Geo. F. Blake, ties and twister .....   | 10 33             |
| Total Expenditures .....                | <u>\$4,935 23</u> |
| Balance .....                           | <u>\$64 77</u>    |

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SNOW,

Road Commissioner.

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HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,

Temporary Auditor.

## BRIDGES.

|                          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Town Appropriation ..... | \$500 00 |
|--------------------------|----------|

## LABOR.

|                                      |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Harry C. Snow, Street Superintendent | \$77 63 |
| Geo. Salisbury .....                 | 43 20   |

|                                |       |
|--------------------------------|-------|
| Edward Fisher .....            | 36 00 |
| Austin Orff .....              | 21 60 |
| Oscar Halberg .....            | 48 60 |
| Richard Hilliard .....         | 10 80 |
| Tom Flaherty .....             | 23 40 |
| Raymond Brown .....            | 19 25 |
| Henry J. Poirier (1 man) ..... | 1 35  |

## MACHINERY.

|                                |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Henry J. Poirier, trucks ..... | \$75 00 |
|--------------------------------|---------|

## MATERIALS.

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Henry J. Poirier, gravel and cement ....             | \$9 90   |
| W. G. Fiske Lumber Co., lumber and<br>hardware ..... | 35 38    |
| Transferred to other account by vote .....           | 42 78    |
|  | <hr/>    |
|  | \$444 89 |
| Balance .....  | <hr/>    |
|  | \$55 11  |

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SNOW,

Road Commissioner.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,

Temporary Auditor.

## SIDEWALKS.

|                          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Town Appropriation ..... | \$500 00 |
|--------------------------|----------|

## LABOR.

|                                      |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Harry C. Snow, Street Superintendent | \$64 80 |
| Edward Fisher .....                  | 29 70   |
| Austin Orff .....                    | 22 50   |
| Oscar Halberg .....                  | 33 30   |

|                                    |       |
|------------------------------------|-------|
| Tom Flaherty .....                 | 18 90 |
| Henry J. Poirier (carpenter) ..... | 31 95 |

## MACHINERY.

|                                |         |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Henry J. Poirier, trucks ..... | \$87 50 |
|--------------------------------|---------|

## MATERIALS.

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Henry J. Poirier, patch .....               | \$170 00 |
| Henry J. Poirier, cement .....              | 1 20     |
| W. G. Fiske Lumber Co., lumber .....        | 21 82    |
| Transferred to other accounts by vote ..... | 18 33    |
|   | <hr/>    |
|   | \$500 00 |

Respectfully submitted,  
HARRY C. SNOW,  
Road Commissioner.

I have examined this report and find it correct.  
HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

## SIGNS.

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Town Appropriation .....                    | \$100 00 |
| Dyar Sales and Machine Co. ....             | \$21 20  |
| Harry C. Snow, express .....                | 1 08     |
| Henry R. Hoyle, lettering .....             | 2 00     |
| Transferred to other accounts by vote ..... | 65 10    |
|   | <hr/>    |
|   | \$89 38  |
| Balance .....                               | <hr/>    |
|   | \$10 62  |

Respectfully submitted,  
HARRY C. SNOW,  
Road Commissioner.

I have examined this report and find it correct.  
HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

## SNOW FENCE POSTS.

|                                 |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Town Appropriation .....        | \$200 00 |
| Dyar Sales and Machine Co. .... | \$200 00 |
|                                 | <hr/>    |
| Balance .....                   | 000 00   |

Respectfully submitted,  
 HARRY C. SNOW,  
 Road Commissioner.

I have examined this report and find it correct.  
 HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
 Temporary Auditor.

## MACHINERY ACCOUNT.

|                               |                |
|-------------------------------|----------------|
| Balance January 1, 1949 ..... | \$124 75       |
| Transferred from Fund .....   | 9 10           |
| Total .....                   | <hr/> \$133 85 |
| Total Expenditures .....      | 33 54          |
|                               | <hr/>          |
| Balance .....                 | \$100 31       |

Respectfully submitted,  
 HARRY C. SNOW,  
 Road Commissioner.

I have examined this report and find it correct.  
 HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
 Temporary Auditor.

## WILDWOOD AVENUE.

|                          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Town Appropriation ..... | \$200 00 |
|--------------------------|----------|

## LABOR.

|                                      |        |
|--------------------------------------|--------|
| Harry C. Snow, Street Superintendent | \$4 05 |
| Geo. Salisbury .....                 | 2 70   |

|                        |      |
|------------------------|------|
| Edward Fisher .....    | 2 70 |
| Austin Orff .....      | 2 70 |
| Oscar Halberg .....    | 2 70 |
| Richard Hilliard ..... | 2 70 |

## MACHINERY.

|                        |         |
|------------------------|---------|
| Henry J. Poirier ..... | \$75 50 |
|------------------------|---------|

## MATERIALS.

|                        |          |          |
|------------------------|----------|----------|
| Henry J. Poirier ..... | \$106 25 |          |
|                        |          | \$199 30 |
| Balance .....          |          | 70       |

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SNOW,

Road Commissioner.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,

Temporary Auditor.

## HARTFORD AVENUE BRIDGE.

|                                      |          |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Town Appropriation, July .....       |          | \$400 00 |
| W. G. Fiske Lumber Co., Lumber ..... | \$211 20 |          |
| Balance .....                        | 188 80   |          |
|                                      |          | \$400 00 |

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SNOW,

Road Commissioner.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,

Temporary Auditor.

## VACATION ACCOUNT.

|                                    |                 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Town Appropriation, February ..... | \$200 00        |
| Town Appropriation, July .....     | 88 00           |
| <b>Total Appropriation .....</b>   | <b>\$288 00</b> |
| <br>Geo. Salisbury .....           | <br>\$72 00     |
| Edward Fisher .....                | 72 00           |
| Oscar Halberg .....                | 72 00           |
| Austin Orff .....                  | 72 00           |
|                                    | <hr/> \$288 00  |

Respectfully submitted,  
**HARRY C. SNOW,**  
 Road Commissioner.

I have examined this report and find it correct.  
**HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,**  
 Temporary Auditor.

## REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT.

1949.

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|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Police Department Appropriation .....                           | \$1,500 00        |
| Total Payrolls .....  | \$1,315 70        |
| Reimbursements to Chief Bates (Ex-<br>penses paid by him) ..... | 120 12            |
| Total expenses—supplies and expenses .....                      | 64 10             |
| Total expense in 1949 .....                                     | <u>\$1,499 92</u> |
| Unexpended balance .....  | 08                |

## REIMBURSEMENTS TO CHIEF BATES.

|                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Police phone .....    | \$65 87         |
| Auto hire .....       | 51 90           |
| Express charges ..... | 2 35            |
| Total .....           | <u>\$120 12</u> |

## SUPPLIES AND EXPENSES.

|   |         |
|---|---------|
| Maxim Motor Company, safety light ....                      | \$15 35 |
| Charlescraft Press, printing .....                          | 12 35   |
| Department of Public Safety (bicycle<br>registration) ..... | 40      |
| State Prison, bicycle plates .....                          | 6 25    |
| Police and Sheriff Association, Di-<br>rectory .....        | 3 00    |
| W. S. Darley & Company, emergency<br>flares .....           | 10 50   |
| Mateer Press, printing, posters .....                       | 9 75    |
| H. Daniel Fay, inspecting accident cars                     | 4 00    |

|                                    |      |         |
|------------------------------------|------|---------|
| Shirley Bates, clerical work ..... | 2 50 |         |
| Total .....                        |      | \$64 10 |

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL H. BATES,

Chief of Police.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,

Temporary Auditor.

TOTAL AMOUNTS RECEIVED BY EACH OF THE  
FOLLOWING POLICE OFFICERS.

|                              |            |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Daniel H. Bates, Chief ..... | \$315 35   |
| Alvin P. Nichols .....       | 187 16     |
| Joseph Bibeau .....          | 181 35     |
| Arthur F. Bartlett .....     | 108 80     |
| Clifton A. Temple .....      | 101 45     |
| Benjamin E. Swift .....      | 95 15      |
| Eugene A. Closson .....      | 59 15      |
| Oscar K. Bates .....         | 58 45      |
| Alfred Aldrich .....         | 46 35      |
| Edward L. Orff .....         | 45 41      |
| Alfred Nichols .....         | 35 55      |
| Eugene Bissonnette .....     | 27 68      |
| Earl G. Crockett .....       | 20 55      |
| Arthur Henault .....         | 12 60      |
| J. Harry Shears .....        | 8 55       |
| George Nydam .....           | 4 50       |
| Francis Carbonneau .....     | 3 60       |
| Chester Cooper .....         | 2 25       |
| Richard D. Stockwell .....   | 1 80       |
| Total .....                  | \$1,315 70 |

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL H. BATES,

Chief of Police.



## SUMMARIZED REPORT.

|  |             |
|--|-------------|
| Accidents investigated, one fatal .....          | 89          |
| Assistance to outside police .....               | 12          |
| Assistance to distressed persons .....           | 5           |
| Breaking and entering reports investigated ..... | 5           |
| Complaints investigated .....                    | 143         |
| Commitments to State Hospitals .....             | 3           |
| Cruising duty .....                              | 1,007 miles |
| Consultations at office .....                    | 35          |
| Disturbances quelled .....                       | 11          |
| Destruction of property investigated .....       | 5           |
| Dogs disposed of, unlicensed .....               | 4           |
| Dogs killed by automobiles .....                 | 3           |
| Lost persons found .....                         | 1           |
| Larceny cases investigated .....                 | 8           |
| Licenses recommended suspended .....             | 12          |
| Licenses recommended restored .....              | 4           |
| Messages delivered .....                         | 8           |
| Traffic duty .....                               | 426 hours   |
| Transfers of motor vehicles recorded .....       | 107         |
| Stolen cars recovered .....                      | 2           |
| State Institution patients apprehended .....     | 3           |
| Persons injured in auto accidents .....          | 24          |
| Fatal accidents .....                            | 1           |

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL H. BATES,

Chief of Police.

## COURT CASES.

|                             |   |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Assault and Battery .....   | 1 |
| Drunkenness .....           | 3 |
| Automobile Violations ..... | 3 |
| Larceny by check .....      | 1 |

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL H. BATES,

Chief of Police.

# SUMMARIZED REPORT OF REGISTRATION OF BICYCLES.

1949.

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Bicycles registered according to law .....           | 51      |
| Turned over to Town Treasurer Leo Murphy .....       | \$12 75 |
| Taxi operator's licenses issued .....                | 11      |
| Taxi badges issued to operators .....                | 1       |
| Money turned over to Town Treasurer Leo Murphy ..... | \$1 25  |

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL H. BATES,

Chief of Police.

# ACCIDENTS INVESTIGATED.

1949.

| Date    |   | Cars Involved |
|---------|---|---------------|
| Jan. 6  | Intersection of Brook, Elm and Main Streets                     | 2             |
| Jan. 15 | Intersection of Plain and Station Streets .....                 | 2             |
| Jan. 21 | Intersection of No. Main and Milford Streets                    | 2             |
| Feb. 5  | West Main Street .....  | 1             |
| Feb. 19 | Milford Street, Curtiss Farm Hill .....                         | 1             |
| Mar. 2  | Main Street, Rocky Point .....                                  | 1             |
| Mar. 9  | Main Street, Knowlton Hill .....                                | 1             |
| Mar. 18 | Mechanic Street (One injured) .....                             | 2             |
| Mar. 27 | Westboro Road (Three injured) .....                             | 2             |
| Apr. 12 | Mendon Street .....   | 1             |
| Apr. 16 | Intersection of School and Main Streets<br>(Sideswiped) .....   | 2             |
| May 7   | Main Street, Upton Post Office (One injured)                    | 1             |
| May 16  | Pleasant Street (One injured) .....                             | 1             |
| May 27  | Milford Street, Upton-Hopedale Town Line ....                   | 1             |
| Aug. 2  | Milford Street, Curve below Curtiss Farm<br>(One injured) ..... | 1             |
| Aug. 12 | Main Street, in front of Shears' (Three<br>injured) .....       | 2             |

|          |  |    |
|----------|--|----|
| Aug. 22  | Intersection of Main and Maple Streets .....                               | 2  |
| Sept. 10 | West Main Street .....   | 1  |
| Sept. 20 | Grove Street (Auto and dog) .....  | 1  |
| Sept. 25 | West Main Street (Two injured) .....                                       | 3  |
| Oct. 2   | Intersection of Fowler and Mechanic Streets<br>(Two arrests) .....         | 2  |
| Oct. 10  | Intersection of Main and Mendon Streets<br>(One killed, two injured) ..... | 1  |
| Oct. 12  | Hopkinton Road (Motorcycle and dog, one<br>injured) .....                  | 1  |
| Oct. 18  | Elm Street, Pole (one injured) .....                                       | 1  |
| Oct. 23  | Intersection of Main and Mendon Streets<br>(Two injured) .....             | 1  |
| Nov. 5   | Chestnut Street, Car tipped over (one injured) .....                       | 1  |
| Nov. 11  | Milford Street, Curve below Curtiss Farm<br>(Four injured) .....           | 2  |
| Nov. 25  | Milford Street, Snake Hill .....   | 2  |
| Nov. 27  | Intersection of Elm and Milford Streets .....                              | 2  |
| Nov. 28  | West Main Street, slippery road, tree .....                                | 1  |
| Dec. 4   | East Street, slippery road, car left road .....                            | 1  |
| Dec. 5   | West Main Street, car tipped over, slippery<br>road .....                  | 1  |
| Dec. 8   | Elm Street, car hit dog .....  | 1  |
| Dec. 11  | Hopkinton Road, car hit dog .....  | 1  |
| Dec. 11  | Main Street and Lodge Avenue, Property<br>damage .....                     | 1  |
| Dec. 24  | West Upton, Post Office Square, car killed dog .....                       | 1  |
| Dec. 27  | Farm Street, car killed dog .....  | 1  |
| Dec. 31  | West Street, car struck pole .....   | 1  |
|          | Persons injured .....  | 24 |
|          | Fatal accidents .....  | 1  |

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL H. BATES,

Chief of Police.

# BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT.

1949.

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|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Appropriation .....                    | \$1,600 00       |
| Transfer at Special Town Meeting ..... | 74 32            |
| Transfer from Reserve Fund .....       | 1 00             |
| Total .....                            | <hr/> \$1,675 32 |

## Expenditures:

|                                    |                  |
|------------------------------------|------------------|
| Care of Patients .....             | \$511 50         |
| Health, General .....              | 247 72           |
| District Nursing Association ..... | 550 00           |
| Town Dump .....                    | 366 10           |
| Total .....                        | <hr/> \$1,675 32 |

## CARE OF PATIENTS.

### Paid to:

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| Worcester County Sanatorium .....                      | \$511 50       |
| Transferred to Public Welfare by<br>Town Meeting ..... | 38 50          |
| Total .....  | <hr/> \$550 00 |

## DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION.

### Paid to:

|                                 |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Lillian Temple, Treasurer ..... | \$550 00 |
|---------------------------------|----------|

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

## TOWN DUMP.

## Paid to:

|                                   |         |          |
|-----------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Edmund Benoit, caretaker .....    | \$50 00 |          |
| Edmund Benoit, caretaker .....    | 25 00   |          |
| Edmund Benoit, 120 yd. fill ..... | 36 00   |          |
| Edmund Benoit, truck .....        | 16 10   |          |
| Edmund Benoit, labor .....        | 14 00   |          |
| Edmund Benoit, caretaker .....    | 25 00   |          |
| Edmund Benoit, caretaker .....    | 25 00   |          |
| Edmund Benoit, caretaker .....    | 50 00   |          |
| Edmund Benoit, caretaker .....    | 50 00   |          |
| Edmund Benoit, caretaker .....    | 75 00   |          |
| Total .....                       |         | \$366 10 |

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,

Temporary Auditor.

## HEALTH, GENERAL.

## Paid to:

|   |        |          |
|---|--------|----------|
| Benj. Swift, cat disposal .....                           | \$1 00 |          |
| Hobbs & Warren, supplies .....                            | 11 02  |          |
| District Nurse, transfer patients, West<br>Boylston ..... | 27 00  |          |
| District Nurse, Transfer patients .....                   | 32 00  |          |
| Highway Dept., clean-up week .....                        | 27 15  |          |
| Highway Dept., clean-up week .....                        | 29 85  |          |
| Forest Fire Crew, burning dump .....                      | 13 20  |          |
| Pitman, Moore Co., medicine .....                         | 3 50   |          |
| Harry Usher, salary Milk Inspector .....                  | 50 00  |          |
| Fred Williams, death certificates .....                   | 2 25   |          |
| Dr. Bernard F. McKernan, birth cer-<br>tificates .....    | 75     |          |
| Earl G. Crockett, Clerk salary .....                      | 50 00  |          |
| Total .....   |        | \$247 72 |

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,

Temporary Auditor.

## CONTAGIOUS DISEASES REPORTED IN 1949.

|                               |    |
|-------------------------------|----|
| Measles .....                 | 22 |
| Dog Bite .....                | 17 |
| Chicken Pox .....             | 5  |
| Mumps .....                   | 2  |
| Whooping Cough .....          | 7  |
| Pneumonia, Lobar .....        | 1  |
| Tuberculosis, Pulmonary ..... | 2  |
| <hr/>                         |    |
|                               | 56 |

Respectfully submitted,

DR. EARL G. CROCKETT,

Clerk.

## REPORT OF TOWN COUNSEL.

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December 31, 1949.

TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, TOWN OF UPTON:

As Counsel for the Town, I submit my tenth annual report.

During the year 1949, written and oral opinions were rendered to the Selectmen, Tax Collector, Board of Public Welfare, School Department, Assessors and Town Clerk.

There is pending with the Worcester Superior Court a land damage case brought by Emaie Newton against the Town. This case is now ready for settlement and will be disposed of without trial during 1950.

A claim was presented to the United States Fidelity and Guaranty on default of a Town Officer and check for Eleven Thousand (\$11,000.00) Dollars was received, which was turned over to the Town Treasurer.

New by-laws were acted upon at the annual meeting in 1949 and an approved set has been forwarded by the office of the Attorney-General as of December, 1949. Steps to complete the by-laws will be taken within the next few weeks.

Several conferences were held with the Department of Corporations and Taxation relative to tax rate and approval of transfer of funds used for Town purposes.

Conferences were held with the Building Committee in connection with the elementary school project.

Claim was brought against the Town for land damage on the Mendon Road. However, the claim was not seasonably brought and is consequently dismissed, with no payment to be made by the Town.

With reference to the Ella W. Risteen funds held by the Hartford-Connecticut Trust Company, as Custodian for the Town, Henry F. Long, Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation has made the following recommendation: "It is my opinion that at some future town meeting an article should be inserted transferring the actual custody of the securities from the Hartford-Connecticut Trust Company to the Town Treasurer as provided by law." Inasmuch as there is likely to be no particular activity on this account, so far as sales or exchanges of securities are concerned, it is my recommendation that the custody of the securities be placed with the Town Treasurer. The securities now held by the Trust Company are all registered in the name of the Town and the list is the same as previously reported.

I recommend the Town seriously consider complete building and zoning laws which will be of unmeasured value to the Town and will act as a definite protection to the property owners in Upton. The lack of proper building laws encourages the building of inferior and nondescript housing. Without proper laws in Upton, nothing can be done to prevent erection of inferior buildings. This condition leaves the property owner in the position of running a daily risk as to what type of building will be erected and occupied by his new neighbor. Towns which have proper laws governing construction are reaping the benefits of new homes of a desirable type, thus appreciating the value of present property in town.

The cooperation of townspeople and town officers and employees is appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY C. WALKER,

Town Counsel.



## REPORT OF THE UPTON HOUSING AUTHORITY.

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December 31, 1949.

### First Annual Report of the Housing Authority.

We have held meetings on the second Monday of each month during the year 1949.

At the adjourned Town Meeting last February our chairman presented to the voters Chapter 372 of the State laws under which we could have built Housing Units, but a vote was taken and it was rejected.

We are constantly in receipt of literature pertaining to Housing and discuss the same at our meetings hoping that something will present itself by which we could build.

A request was made that we keep our Authority active in case at sometime in the future that we might be able to have a Housing Development.

One member resigned from the Authority and the vacancy was filled by the Selectmen for the remainder of the year.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR H. BARTLETT,  
RAYMOND F. LYFORD,  
WALTER KIRBY,  
DOUGLAS GILCHRIST,  
FORREST P. SALISBURY,

Upton Housing Authority.

## REPORT OF THE LAKEVIEW CEMETERY COMMISSION.

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|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Total cash received for care of lots ..... | \$40 00 |
| Total cash received for burials .....      | 529 00  |
| Total cash received for foundations, etc.  | 86 00   |
| Total cash received for sale of lots ..... | 20 00   |

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\$675 00

### Legacies received for Perpetual Care:

|                                      |                |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| Robert Griffin, Lot C-19 .....       | \$50 00        |
| Clayton I. Keith, Lot 739 .....      | 50 00          |
| Leon D. Childs, Lot 893 .....        | 50 00          |
| Austin F. McLaughlin, Lot C-16 ..... | 50 00          |
|                                      | <hr/> \$200 00 |

|                                      |             |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|
| Total amount of Legacy Fund end 1948 | \$19,135 00 |
| Total amount of Legacy Fund end 1949 | 19,335 00   |

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Total amount cash received for sale<br>and care .....      | \$875 00 |
| Total amount cash paid Town<br>Treasurer, Leo Murphy ..... | 875 00   |

|                                  |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| General Appropriation .....      | \$2,650 00 |
| Transfer from Reserve Fund ..... | 3 87       |

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|             |            |
|-------------|------------|
| Total ..... | \$2,653 87 |
|-------------|------------|

|                                     |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Henry H. Wood, Superintendent ..... | \$691 00 |
| Thomas J. Flaherty, labor .....     | 644 20   |
| William Flaherty, labor .....       | 603 75   |
| Goff Heavner, labor .....           | 99 45    |

|  |        |            |
|--|--------|------------|
| Arthur Page, labor .....                   | 32 65  |            |
| Joseph Bibeau, labor .....                 | 59 01  |            |
| Clinton Morse, labor .....                 | 57 38  |            |
| W. G. Fiske, supplies .....                | 63 64  |            |
| Henry H. Wood, use of car .....            | 65 00  |            |
| C. B. Dolge Co., weed killer .....         | 30 05  |            |
| Town Line Dairy, mowing .....              | 5 00   |            |
| R. C. Whiting, sharpening mower .....      | 8 00   |            |
| Briggs' Service Station, gas and oil ..... | 6 72   |            |
| Erickson's Garage, gas and oil .....       | 13 58  |            |
| Henry Wood, use of trimmer .....           | 137 00 |            |
| C. Harland Aldrich, repairing mowers       | 26 23  |            |
| Henry Poirier, grader, trucks, loam        |        |            |
| and sand .....                             | 104 00 |            |
| Elmer Butterfield, expenses .....          | 2 36   |            |
| Norman E. Walker, expenses .....           | 4 85   |            |
| Total .....                                |        | \$2,653 87 |

Available Interest from Legacy Fund \$380 58

Payroll Issued on Interest from Legacy Fund:

|                                    |          |          |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Henry Wood, Superintendent .....   | \$131 00 |          |
| Thomas Flaherty, labor .....       | 28 80    |          |
| William Flaherty, labor .....      | 28 80    |          |
| Clinton Morse, labor .....         | 130 50   |          |
| Henry Wood, use of car and trimmer | 33 00    |          |
| H. E. Erickson, gas and oil .....  | 2 20     |          |
| Henry Poirier .....                | 15 00    |          |
| W. G. Fiske, hay rakes .....       | 4 40     |          |
| Total Expenditures .....           |          | \$373 70 |

Unexpended Balance ..... \$6 88

Oiling and Grading Drives:

|                                      |          |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation .....                  | \$500 00 |          |
| Unexpended Balance from 1948 Approp- |          |          |
| riation .....                        | 300 50   |          |
| Total .....                          |          | \$800 50 |

## Payroll Issued from Oiling and Grading Fund:

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Henry Wood, Superintendent .....           | \$68 00  |
| Clinton Morse, labor .....                 | 72 90    |
| Thomas Flaherty, labor .....               | 22 30    |
| Warren Lamson, labor, use of trailer ..... | 14 00    |
| Goff Heavner, labor .....                  | 7 20     |
| Henry Wood, use of trimmer .....           | 7 00     |
| Henry Poirier, loam .....                  | 5 00     |
| Total Expenditures .....                   | \$196 40 |
| Unexpended Balance .....                   | 604 10   |

Respectfully submitted,

NORMAN E. WALKER, Chairman,  
ELMER F. BUTTERFIELD.

I have examined these reports and find them correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

## FIRE ENGINEERS' REPORT.

1949.

|                     |            |
|---------------------|------------|
| Appropriation ..... | \$1,900 00 |
|---------------------|------------|

## Expenses:

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| New England Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone ..... | \$60 12    |
| Worcester Sub. Elec. Co., power .....        | 27 50      |
| Walter Stank, janitor .....                  | 72 00      |
| Thomas Francis, permits labor .....          | 51 40      |
| Charles Clougherty Co., supplies .....       | 64 93      |
| Square Deal Garage, parts labor .....        | 79 98      |
| L. W. Prentiss Sons, supplies .....          | 6 92       |
| Robert Prentiss, fire duty .....             | 2 70       |
| Alfred Aldrich, fire duty .....              | 3 60       |
| Scholl's Garage, gas, oil .....              | 6 85       |
| Paul Boucher, labor .....                    | 3 00       |
| Bobbet's Service Shop, gas, oil .....        | 24 88      |
| Seaver's Express, express .....              | 77         |
| Farrar Company, supplies .....               | 46 80      |
| Fay's Garage, inspecting trucks .....        | 6 00       |
| Ann Ward, sounding siren .....               | 25 00      |
| Fred Wood Pharmacy, acid .....               | 4 78       |
| Salaries, engineers, firemen .....           | 1,455 00   |
| Total .....                                  | \$1,942 23 |
| Transferred .....                            | 42 78      |
| Balance .....                                | 55         |
| Alarms .....                                 | 16         |
| Still Alarms .....                           | 6          |
| Truck Fires .....                            | 2          |

|                                       |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Auto Fires .....                      | 7        |
| Chimney Fires .....                   | 7        |
| Special Appropriation for Masks ..... | \$237 00 |
| Charles Chougherty Co.:               |          |
| 1 Scott Air Pack .....                | \$197 50 |
| 1 Extra Cylinder .....                | 39 50    |
| Total .....                           | \$237 00 |

GEORGE N. O. POIRIER, Chief,  
 THOMAS FRANCIS,  
 WILLIAM A. PRENTISS,  
 Board of Fire Engineers.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
 Temporary Auditor.

#### REPORT OF AMBULANCE.

1949.

|                     |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation ..... | \$250 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

##### Expenses:

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Farrar Company, supplies .....           | \$16 75 |
| Bobett's Service Shop, oil .....         | 30 63   |
| Briggs' Filling Station, gas .....       | 2 95    |
| Scholls' Garage, battery, gas, oil ..... | 27 46   |
| Square Deal Garage, gas .....            | 2 75    |
| Sherman's Laundry, laundry .....         | 13 54   |
| Charles Sanderson, services .....        | 1 80    |
| David Aldrich, services .....            | 4 05    |
| Ernest Porter, services .....            | 3 15    |
| Charles Aldrich, services .....          | 1 35    |
| Donald Wellman, services .....           | 8 55    |
| Frances Carbonneau, services .....       | 3 60    |

|                                       |       |          |
|---------------------------------------|-------|----------|
| Harold Hopkins, services .....        | 2 25  |          |
| Peter Bingle, services .....          | 2 70  |          |
| Edward Henderson, services .....      | 8 10  |          |
| Paul McDonnell, services .....        | 31 95 |          |
| Edward Rock, services .....           | 13 05 |          |
| Donald Aldrich, services .....        | 1 35  |          |
| William Prentiss, services .....      | 7 20  |          |
| Alfred Aldrich, services .....        | 11 25 |          |
| Robert Prentiss, services .....       | 18 45 |          |
| Thomas Francis, services, labor ..... | 18 10 |          |
| Walter Hopkins, Jr., services .....   | 5 40  |          |
| Samuel Aldrich, services .....        | 1 35  |          |
| Orrin Francis, services .....         | 27 00 |          |
| Walter Stank, services .....          | 81 45 |          |
| Harold Francis, services .....        | 14 40 |          |
| Total .....                           |       | \$360 58 |
| Transferred .....                     |       | 133 76   |
| Balance .....                         |       | \$23 18  |
| Trips Made .....                      |       | 55       |

GEORGE N. O. POIRIER, Chief,  
 THOMAS FRANCIS,  
 WILLIAM A. PRENTISS,  
 Board of Fire Engineers.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
 Temporary Auditor.

## FOREST FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT.

1949.

## SCOTT AIR PAK.

|                            |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Appropriation .....        | \$237 00 |
| Paid to:                   |          |
| Charles H. Clougherty Co., |          |
| Scott Air Pak .....        | 237 00   |

## FOREST FIRE DEPT.

|                     |            |
|---------------------|------------|
| Appropriation ..... | \$500 00   |
| Transferred .....   | 763 13     |
| Total .....         | \$1,263 13 |

## Expenditures:

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| 52 Forest Fires .....                    | \$1,025 74 |
| Farrar Co., labor and supplies .....     | 37 45      |
| Charles H. Clougherty Co., booster       |            |
| hose and supplies .....                  | 30 48      |
| Herbert Erickson, gas and oil .....      | 43 16      |
| Rudolph Scholl, gas, oil and labor ..... | 17 67      |
| W. G. Fiske Lumber Co., supplies .....   | 6 50       |
| Moroney Bros., supplies .....            | 5 53       |
| George Davis, supplies .....             | 6 05       |
| Frank Ford, supplies .....               | 3 55       |
| Ralph Briggs, supplies .....             | 1 50       |
| Daniel Fay, inspection on trucks .....   | 1 50       |
| Paul Boucher, labor on Forest Fire       |            |
| Truck .....                              | 6 00       |



|  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| Edward Rock, use of truck .....                                  | 5 00              |
| Brooks Farm Dairy, use of truck .....                            | 5 00              |
| Walter Stank, issuing fire permits and<br>posting notices .....  | 25 00             |
| Walter Stank, trip to Worcester and<br>investigating fires ..... | 6 00              |
| On Duty at Fire Station:   |                   |
| Walter Stank .....   | 4 50              |
| Thomas Francis .....   | 4 50              |
| Robert Prentiss .....  | 4 50              |
| William Prentiss .....   | 4 50              |
| Donald Wellman .....   | 4 50              |
| Ernest Porter .....  | 4 50              |
| Edward Henderson .....   | 4 50              |
| Edward Rock .....  | 4 50              |
| Total .....  | <u>\$1,262 13</u> |
| Unexpended Balance .....   | \$1 00            |
| Number of fire calls .....                                       | 52                |
| Number of false alarms .....                                     | 4                 |
| Number of permits issued .....                                   | 1,032             |
| Number of permit fires .....                                     | 2                 |
| Number of incinerator fires .....                                | 2                 |
| Aided other towns .....  | 2                 |

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER STANK,  
Forest Fire Warden.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

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### TOWN TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank, \$9.76 known as the Knowlton School Fund with the Town Treasurer as Trustee to be used by the School Committee to defray extraordinary expenses at the Knowlton School Building.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank, one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) known as the Ella (Whitney) Risteen Fund in trust with the Town Treasurer and School Committee as Trustees, the income to be divided between the two pupils in our High school who make the most progress during each year. \$21.54 Interest was received this year. No awards were made.

There is deposited in the Worcester County Institution for Savings, one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) known as the Dr. Carpenter Library Fund, the income of which is to be used for the Public Library. \$20.00 interest was received this year.

Charlotte A. Batchelor and George W. Knowlton established a Trust Deed at the Worcester County Trust Co., with the Bank as trustee, the income to be paid to the Town of Upton for use of Public Schools. \$173.82 was received this year.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank, five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) known as the Charlotte A. Batchelor Library Fund in trust with the Town Treasurer as trustee, the income to be used for the Public Library. \$100.00 was received this year.

There is deposited in the Worcester County Institution for Savings, five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) known as the Charlotte A. Batchelor School Fund in trust with the Town Treasurer as Trustee, the income to be used for the Public Schools. \$100.00 was received this year.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank a War Bonus Surplus Fund to be used as a nucleus of a Fund for a Public Library Building as voted by the Town, February 7, 1925. \$68.08 interest was received and the amount of this fund on January 1, 1950 was \$3,455.96.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank of Milford, five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) known as the George W. Knowlton Fund. The income is subject to withdrawal by the Town Treasurer on order from the Board of Selectmen, to be used to help the townspeople who are in distress. \$105.48 interest was received and the balance on January 1, 1950 was \$5,353.89. None was used this year.

The Industrial Accident Insurance Fund established in 1937 is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank. \$43.40 interest was received and the balance on January 1, 1950 was \$2,181.37. Payment from this Fund is to be made only in accordance with rules to be established by the Board of Selectmen. \$21.60 was used this year.

**"The Ella W. Risteen Trust Fund"**

Hartford, Connecticut Trust Co., Trustee.

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Income received .....   | \$2,808 58 |
| Interest received ..... | 157 47     |

\$600.00 was withdrawn to cover Payrolls for Clause 13-B.

\$786.00 was withdrawn to cover Payrolls for Clause 13-D, as shown in Selectmen's Report. The balance on deposit on

January 1, 1950 in Savings Department of Home National Bank, Milford, Mass.:

|                                    |            |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Clause 13-B—Welfare Fund .....     | \$4,356 33 |
| Clause 13-C—School Fund .....      | 6,195 99   |
| Clause 13-D—Improvement Fund ..... | 1,843 50   |

Payment from these Funds to be made by the Treasurer only, on properly signed orders as designated in the Will.

#### WAR BONDS.

|                                  |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| 1 Series G Bond .....            | \$5,000 00 |
| Purchased in 1944. Matures 1956. |            |
| 1 Series G Bond .....            | 5,000 00   |
| Purchased in 1945. Matures 1957. |            |
| Income received .....            | \$250 00   |
| Interest received .....          | 14 31      |

The income from these Bonds is deposited in the Savings Dept. of the Home National Bank of Milford, Mass. for a Post War Rehabilitation Fund. Balance January 1, 1950, \$1,278.15.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

#### STATEMENT OF TOWN INSURANCE.

The Town Property is insured as follows:—

|                              |             |
|------------------------------|-------------|
| Town Hall building .....     | \$50,000 00 |
| Contents .....               | 3,000 00    |
| G. A. R. Hall building ..... | 15,000 00   |

|                                      |           |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Knowlton School Building .....       | 20,000 00 |
| Contents .....                       | 1,000 00  |
| George S. Ball School building ..... | 20,000 00 |
| Contents .....                       | 2,000 00  |
| Weights and Measure Standards .....  | 1,500 00  |
| Cemetery Building and Contents ..... | 1,600 00  |
| Road Machinery .....                 | 2,000 00  |
| Library Books, etc. ....             | 3,000 00  |
| Boilers in Halls and Schools .....   | 5,000 00  |

Tax Title deeds in possession of the Town Treasurer of property taken for taxes, \$835.48.

Respectfully submitted,

LEO F. MURPHY,

Town Treasurer.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,

Temporary Auditor.

LEO F. MURPHY, TOWN TREASURER,

In Account with The Town of Upton:

RECEIPTS.

|  |             |
|--|-------------|
| January 1, 1949, Cash Balance from 1948 .....          | \$50,347 55 |
| Third District Court, return of fines .....            | 100 00      |
| Women's Relief Corps, rent of G. A. R. Hall ....       | 48 00       |
| Columbian Chapter, O. E. S., rent of G.A.R. hall ..... | 24 00       |
| Upton Boys' Club, rent of Town hall .....              | 46 00       |
| Sonny Huston Show, rent of Town hall .....             | 10 00       |
| Women's Club, rent of Town hall .....                  | 15 00       |
| Traveling Grange, rent of Town hall .....              | 30 00       |
| Winter Dancing Club, rent of Town hall .....           | 2 00        |

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| U. S. Fidelity Guaranty Co., reimbursement on<br>Tax Collector's Bond ..... | 11,000 00 |
| Benoit Taxi Co., Taxi licenses .....  | 4 00      |
| Thompson Taxi Co., Taxi licenses .....                                      | 7 00      |
| Deerfoot Farm, Milk license .....   | 50        |
| Karl S. Whitten, reimbursement .....  | 100 00    |
| City of Boston School Dept. ....  | 182 16    |
| Berkshire Mutual Insurance Dividend .....                                   | 3 63      |
| George L. Wood Post, V. F. W., Grist Mill<br>Building .....                 | 1 00      |
| J. Cabana, ambulance services .....   | 15 00     |
| Daniel H. Bates, bicycle registrations .....                                | 12 75     |
| Alfred Whitney, Taxi badge .....  | 1 25      |
| Earl G. Crockett, Fire Dept., ladder .....                                  | 16 00     |
| Fred Tuttle, Sealer's fees .....  | 69 15     |
| Harry Usher, Milk Inspector fees .....                                      | 26 00     |
| Bathing Beach Association, donation .....                                   | 16 63     |
| Highway Dept., machinery fund .....   | 55 25     |

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts:—

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Mendon Street Bridge, Chapter 90 .....        | 1,401 28  |
| Pleasant Street Bridge, Chapter 90 .....      | 436 59    |
| Income Tax .....                              | 20,433 30 |
| Corporation Tax .....                         | 10,869 97 |
| Meal Tax (Old Age Assistance) .....           | 1,559 66  |
| Director of Standards, peddler licenses ..... | 16 00     |
| Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant .....         | 28,710 24 |
| Old Age Assistance Adm., U. S. Grant .....    | 471 08    |
| Aid to Dependent Children, U. S. Grant .....  | 1,092 26  |
| Old Age Assistance .....                      | 26,518 16 |
| Aid to Dependent Children .....               | 1,678 00  |
| Highway Chapter 90, maintenance (1948) .....  | 444 75    |
| Highway Chapter 81 (1948) .....               | 2,286 41  |
| Highway Chapter 81 .....                      | 13,321 00 |
| Veterans' Services .....                      | 852 78    |
| Inspector of Animals, salary .....            | 42 50     |

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Temporary Aid and Transportation ..... | 1,189 28 |
| Reimbursement for loss of taxes .....  | 490 63   |
| Department of Education .....          | 8,601 33 |
| Vocational Education .....             | 1,135 60 |
| School Superintendent, salary .....    | 467 55   |

## County of Worcester:—

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| Dog Tax Refund (1948) .....                   | 694 41 |
| Mendon Street Bridge, Chapter 90 .....        | 700 66 |
| Pleasant Street Bridge, Chapter 90 .....      | 218 30 |
| Highways, Chapter 90 maintenance (1948) ..... | 444 75 |

## Old Age Assistance:—

|                            |        |
|----------------------------|--------|
| Town of Northbridge .....  | 167 64 |
| Town of Westboro .....     | 121 70 |
| Town of Milford .....      | 348 19 |
| Town of Easthampton .....  | 330 79 |
| City of Malden .....       | 103 10 |
| City of Worcester .....    | 300 48 |
| Clafin Hill Hospital ..... | 30 31  |

## Welfare:

|   |        |
|---|--------|
| Roy R. Johnson, contribution .....                | 300 00 |
| United States Social Security, burial share ..... | 101 23 |

## George G. Newton, Town Clerk:—

|                                       |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Dog Licenses .....                    | 872 40   |
| 2 Package Store Liquor Licenses ..... | 500 00   |
| 2 Restaurant-Liquor Licenses .....    | 1,000 00 |
| 6 Common Victuallers' Licenses .....  | 12 00    |
| 1 Inn Holder's License .....          | 4 00     |
| 1 Auto Dealer's License .....         | 10 00    |
| 6 Sunday Licenses .....               | 12 00    |
| 2 Denatured Alcohol Licenses .....    | 2 00     |
| 6 Gasoline Registrations .....        | 3 00     |

|                      |       |
|----------------------|-------|
| 19 Gun Permits ..... | 19 00 |
| 1 Voting List .....  | 1 00  |

## Cemetery Department:—

|                             |        |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| Sale and Care of Lots ..... | 675 00 |
|-----------------------------|--------|

## Perpetual Care Bequests:

|                                |       |
|--------------------------------|-------|
| Austin F. McLaughlin .....     | 50 00 |
| Clayton Keith .....            | 50 00 |
| Estate of Leon D. Childs ..... | 50 00 |
| Robert Griffin .....           | 50 00 |

## Trust Funds:—

|                                       |        |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
| C. A. Batchelor (School) .....        | 100 00 |
| Knowlton and Batchelor (School) ..... | 173 82 |
| C. A. Batchelor (Library) .....       | 100 00 |
| Dr. Carpenter (Library) .....         | 20 00  |
| Cemetery Perpetual Care .....         | 379 92 |
| United States War Bonds .....         | 250 00 |
| Risteen Fund (Clause 13-B) .....      | 600 00 |
| Risteen Fund (Clause 13-D) .....      | 786 00 |
| Industrial Accident Fund .....        | 21 60  |

## Clement Lambert, Tax Collector:

|                                 |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| 1947 Real Estate Tax .....      | 555 03   |
| 1947 Real Estate Interest ..... | 32 97    |
| 1947 Real Estate Fees .....     | 1 70     |
| 1947 Personal Tax .....         | 318 89   |
| 1947 Personal Interest .....    | 17 32    |
| 1947 Personal Fees .....        | 1 20     |
| 1948 Personal Tax .....         | 851 09   |
| 1948 Personal Interest .....    | 13 04    |
| 1948 Real Estate Tax .....      | 6,251 12 |
| 1948 Real Estate Interest ..... | 109 99   |
| 1948 Real Estate Fees .....     | 2 10     |
| 1948 Excise Tax .....           | 582 60   |



|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| 1948 Excise Interest .....             | 56               |
| 1948 Excise Fees .....                 | 9 90             |
| 1948 Poll Tax .....                    | 10 00            |
| 1948 Poll Interest .....               | 30               |
| 1948 Poll Fees .....                   | 1 40             |
| 1949 Real Estate Tax .....             | 71,824 91        |
| 1949 Real Estate Interest .....        | 12 70            |
| 1949 Real Estate Fees .....            | 35               |
| 1949 Personal Tax .....                | 12,972 87        |
| 1949 Personal Interest .....           | 1 57             |
| 1949 Excise Tax .....                  | 9,153 97         |
| 1949 Excise Interest .....             | 8 34             |
| 1949 Excise Fees .....                 | 17 45            |
| 1949 Poll Tax .....                    | 1,452 00         |
| 1949 Poll Interest .....               | 40               |
| 1949 Poll Fees .....                   | 37 45            |
| <br>Total Receipts .....               | <br>\$297,995 76 |
| <br>Total Receipts .....               | <br>\$297,995 76 |
| Paid on Selectmen's Payrolls .....     | 242,182 89       |
| <br>Cash Balance January 1, 1950 ..... | <br>\$55,812 87  |

Respectfully submitted,

LEO F. MURPHY,

Treasurer.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,

Temporary Auditor.

## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

### 1948 POLL TAX.

|   |         |          |
|---|---------|----------|
| Warrant Dec. 30, 1948 .....               |         | \$130 00 |
| Paid to Treasurer .....                   | \$10 00 |          |
| Abatements .....                          | 120 00  |          |
|   |         | \$130 00 |
| Interest collected and paid to Treasurer  |         | 30       |
| Fees collected and paid to Treasurer .... |         | 1 40     |

### 1948 EXCISE TAXES.

|   |          |          |
|---|----------|----------|
| Warrant Dec. 30, 1948 .....               | \$541 52 |          |
| Jan. 8, 1948 .....                        | 90 75    |          |
|   |          | \$632 27 |
| Paid to Treasurer .....                   | \$582 60 |          |
| Abatements .....                          | 49 67    |          |
|   |          | \$632 27 |
| Interest collected and paid to Treasurer  |          | 56       |
| Fees collected and paid to Treasurer .... |          | 9 90     |

### 1948 PERSONAL TAXES.

|  |            |            |
|--|------------|------------|
| Warrant Dec. 30, 1948 .....              | \$1,422 89 |            |
| Paid to Treasurer .....                  | \$851 09   |            |
| Uncollected Dec. 31, 1949 .....          | 571 80     |            |
|  |            | \$1,422 89 |
| Interest collected and paid to Treasurer |            | 13 04      |

### 1948 REAL ESTATE TAXES.

|                                 |            |            |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Warrant Dec. 30, 1948 .....     | \$9,212 67 |            |
| Paid to Treasurer .....         | \$6,251 12 |            |
| Abatements .....                | 13 44      |            |
| Uncollected Dec. 31, 1949 ..... | 2,948 11   |            |
|                                 |            | \$9,212 67 |

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Interest collected and paid to Treasurer  | \$109 99 |
| Fees collected and paid to Treasurer .... | 2 10     |

CLEMENT J. LAMBERT,  
Collector of Taxes.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

#### 1947 POLL TAXES.

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Warrant Dec. 30, 1948 ..... | \$2 00       |
| Abatement .....             | \$2 00       |
|                             | <hr/> \$2 00 |

#### 1947 PERSONAL TAXES.

|   |                |
|---|----------------|
| Warrant Dec. 30, 1948 .....               | \$318 89       |
| Paid to Treasurer .....                   | \$318 89       |
|   | <hr/> \$318 89 |
| Interest collected and paid to Treasurer  | \$17 32        |
| Fees collected and paid to Treasurer .... | 1 20           |

#### 1947 REAL ESTATE TAXES.

|   |                |
|---|----------------|
| Warrant Dec. 30, 1948 .....               | \$577 53       |
| Paid to Treasurer .....                   | \$550 03       |
| Uncollected Dec. 31, 1949 .....           | 27 50          |
|   | <hr/> \$577 53 |
| Paid to Treasurer over warrant .....      | \$5 00         |
| Interest collected and paid to Treasurer  | 32 97          |
| Fees collected and paid to Treasurer .... | 1 70           |

CLEMENT J. LAMBERT,  
Collector of Taxes.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

## 1949 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX.

|                                 |                   |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Warrant May 6 .....             | \$14,648 54       |
| Paid to Treasurer .....         | \$12,972 87       |
| Uncollected Dec. 31, 1949 ..... | 1,675 67          |
|                                 | <hr/> \$14,648 54 |
| Interest collected .....        | 1 57              |

## 1949 REAL ESTATE TAX.

|                                 |                   |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Warrant May 6 .....             | \$82,718 00       |
| Dec. 10 .....                   | 185 80            |
|                                 | <hr/> \$82,903 80 |
| Paid to Treasurer .....         | \$71,824 91       |
| Abatements .....                | 1,973 24          |
| Tax Titles .....                | 53 87             |
| Uncollected Dec. 31, 1949 ..... | 9,051 78          |
|                                 | <hr/> \$82,903 80 |
| Interest collected .....        | \$12 70           |
| Fees collected .....            | 35                |

CLEMENT J. LAMBERT,  
Collector of Taxes.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

## 1949 POLL TAX.

|                                 |                  |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| Warrant March 3 .....           | \$1,616 00       |
| October 11 .....                | 6 00             |
|                                 | <hr/> \$1,622 00 |
| Paid to Treasurer .....         | \$1,452 00       |
| Abatements .....                | 170 00           |
| Uncollected Dec. 31, 1949 ..... | 0                |
|                                 | <hr/> \$1,622 00 |

|                          |       |
|--------------------------|-------|
| Interest collected ..... | 40    |
| Fees collected .....     | 37 45 |

## 1949 EXCISE TAX.

|                                 |                   |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Warrants March 3 .....          | \$1,680 47        |
| March 3 .....                   | 423 87            |
| March 14 .....                  | 2,486 95          |
| April 5 .....                   | 358 26            |
| April 25 .....                  | 715 52            |
| June 7 .....                    | 834 85            |
| July 19 .....                   | 277 37            |
| August 25 .....                 | 1,369 28          |
| September 27 .....              | 620 54            |
| November 8 .....                | 1,142 53          |
| November 22 .....               | 174 20            |
| December 6 .....                | 113 00            |
| December 27 .....               | 101 56            |
|                                 | <hr/> \$10,298 40 |
| Paid to Treasurer .....         | \$9,153 97        |
| Abatements .....                | 328 92            |
| Uncollected Dec. 31, 1949 ..... | 815 51            |
|                                 | <hr/> \$10,298 40 |
| Interest collected .....        | 8 34              |
| Fees collected .....            | 17 45             |

CLEMENT J. LAMBERT,  
Collector of Taxes.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

## TREE WARDEN'S REPORT.

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Upton, Mass., January 3, 1950.

Hereby submitting my report of Tree Warden for the year 1949.

|                     |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation ..... | \$500 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

Paid to:

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| Henry Cote, labor and use of power saw .....     | \$40 00  |
| Harry A. Damon, labor and use of power saw ..... | 10 00    |
| W. G. Fiske, rope .....                          | 12 60    |
| W. G. Fiske, 2 pruning saws @ \$3.00 .....       | 6 00     |
| W. G. Fiske, ladder side .....                   | 1 50     |
| E. Benoit, 351½ labor hrs. @ \$1.00 .....        | 351 50   |
| E. Benoit, 67 truck hrs @ \$1.15 .....           | 77 05    |
| Total .....                                      | \$498 65 |
| Balance .....                                    | \$1 35   |

Respectfully submitted,  
EDMUND BENOIT,  
Tree Warden.

I have examined this report and find it correct.  
HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

## REPORT OF LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT FOR SUPPRESSING THE 'GYPSY MOTH.

Upton, Mass., January 3, 1950.

Hereby submitting my report on the Gypsy Moth Suppression for the year 1949.

|                     |          |
|---------------------|----------|
| Appropriation ..... | \$200 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

Paid to:

|   |                 |
|---|-----------------|
| W. G. Fiske Lumber Co., sprayer .....   | \$13 40         |
| W. G. Fiske, Lumber Co., creosote ....  | 3 75            |
| E. Benoit, phone calls, 3 @ .10 .....   | 30              |
| E. Benoit, 46 truck hrs @ \$1.15 .....  | 52 90           |
| E. Benoit, 129½ man hrs. @ \$1.00 ..... | 129 50          |
| <b>Total .....</b>                      | <b>\$199 85</b> |
| <br>Balance .....                       | <br>15          |

Respectfully submitted,

EDMOND BENOIT,

Supt. of Gypsy Moth Dept.

*I have examined this report and find it correct.*

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,

Temporary Auditor.

# REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

1949.

Sealed:

## Scales—

|                  |        |
|------------------|--------|
| 1 @ \$5 00 ..... | \$5 00 |
| 11 @ 1 00 .....  | 11 00  |
| 21 @ 50 .....    | 10 50  |

## Liquid Measures—

|               |      |
|---------------|------|
| 35 @ 10 ..... | 3 50 |
|---------------|------|

## Weights—

|               |      |
|---------------|------|
| 49 @ 10 ..... | 4 90 |
|---------------|------|

## Meters—1 in. Inlet—

|                 |       |
|-----------------|-------|
| 20 @ 1 00 ..... | 20 00 |
|-----------------|-------|

## Grease Devices—

|                 |       |
|-----------------|-------|
| 13 @ 1 00 ..... | 13 00 |
|-----------------|-------|

## Quantity Measures on Pumps—

|              |      |
|--------------|------|
| 5 @ 25 ..... | 1 25 |
|--------------|------|

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 \$69 15

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. TUTTLE,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,

Temporary Auditor.



## BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE REPORT.

### ADMINISTRATION OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1949.

|   |            |          |
|---|------------|----------|
| Balance from 1948 .....                               | \$218 05   |          |
| Town Appropriation .....                              | 500 00     |          |
| Federal Grant .....                                   | 471 08     |          |
| Total Available .....                                 | \$1,189 13 |          |
| Expended .....  |            | 733 04   |
| Janet Caton, Jr., Clerk .....                         | \$650 00   |          |
| Supplies, telephone, postage and transportation ..... | 83 04      |          |
|   | \$733 04   |          |
| Balance carried forward to 1950 .....                 |            | \$456 09 |

### AMOUNTS DUE THE TOWN OF UPTON.

|                           |         |
|---------------------------|---------|
| Town of Easthampton ..... | \$41 05 |
| City of Malden .....      | 270 78  |
| Town of Northbridge ..... | 184 94  |
| Town of Westboro .....    | 120 80  |
| Town of Ashland .....     | 231 63  |
| City of Worcester .....   | 283 42  |

CHARLES F. CATON,  
CHARLES A. DAVIS,  
ERNEST I. BENTLEY,  
Bureau of Old Age Assistance.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

EXPENSES OF GENERAL RELIEF  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1949.

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Appropriation of the Town of Upton ....                    | \$3,500 00 |
| Transfers .....  | 702 62     |
|  | <hr/>      |
| Total .....  | \$4,202 62 |
| Expended .....   | \$4,177 78 |
|  | <hr/>      |
| Balance .....  | \$24 84    |
| Board .....  | \$1,831 91 |
| Cash .....   | 916 15     |
| Groceries .....  | 616 69     |
| Milk .....   | 35 28      |
| Fuel .....   | 44 85      |
| Burials .....  | 260 00     |
| Doctors and Medicine .....                                 | 66 10      |
| Nurse and Transportation .....                             | 8 00       |
| Hospitals .....  | 224 00     |
| Millbury Mass., Aid Rendered .....                         | 174 80     |
|  | <hr/>      |
|  | \$4,177 78 |
| Reimbursements for Aid Rendered .....                      | \$300 00   |
| Reimbursements for Aid Rendered,<br>State .....            | 1,189 28   |
| Reimbursements, Federal Security Ad-<br>ministration ..... | 100 23     |
| Number of persons aided .....                              | 28         |

CHARLES F. CATON,  
CHARLES A. DAVIS,  
ERNEST I. BENTLEY,  
Board of Public Welfare.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

EXPENSES OF AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1949.

|   |                        |
|---|------------------------|
| Appropriation of the Town of Upton ....   | \$4,000 00             |
| Transfers from the Reserve Fund .....   | 411 69                 |
| Federal grants received .....   | 1,092 26               |
| <hr/>   |                        |
| Total .....   | \$5,503 95             |
| <br>To cash paid .....  | <br>\$5,413 95         |
| <hr/>   |                        |
| Balance .....   | \$90 00                |
| <br>Received from the State Department<br>of Public Welfare, Division of Aid<br>to Dependent Children ..... | <br><br><br>\$1,678 00 |
| <br>Number of cases aided .....   | <br>5                  |
| Number of persons aided .....   | 12                     |

CHARLES F. CATON,  
CHARLES A. DAVIS,  
ERNEST I. BENTLEY,  
Board of Public Welfare.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE REPORT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1949.

|                          |               |
|--------------------------|---------------|
| Town Appropriation ..... | \$41,000 00   |
| Federal Grants .....     | 28,710 24     |
| Total Available .....    | \$69,710 24   |
| <br>Expended .....       | <br>67,844 09 |

|  |             |                  |
|--|-------------|------------------|
| Cash Paid to Aid .....                               | \$60,799 18 |                  |
| Hospitals, Doctors, Nurses, Prescriptions, etc. .... | 5,810 08    |                  |
| Burials .....  | 450 00      |                  |
| Paid Cities and Towns .....                          | 784 83      |                  |
|  | <hr/>       | \$67,844 09      |
| Balance .....  |             | <hr/> \$1,866 15 |
| Persons Aided in this Report .....                   |             | 99               |

AMOUNTS RECEIVED  
FROM STATE, CITIES AND TOWNS.

|                                       |            |             |
|---------------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Received from State (meal tax) .....  | \$1,559 66 |             |
| Received from State .....             | 26,518 16  |             |
| Received from City of Malden .....    | 103 10     |             |
| Received from City of Worcester ..... | 300 48     |             |
| Received from Town of Northbridge ... | 167 64     |             |
| Received from Town of Easthampton ... | 330 79     |             |
| Received from Town of Westboro .....  | 121 70     |             |
| Received from Town of Milford .....   | 348 19     |             |
| Total .....                           | <hr/>      | \$29,449 72 |

CHARLES F. CATON,  
CHARLES A. DAVIS,  
ERNEST I. BENTLEY,  
Bureau of Old Age Assistance.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit my Report as Inspector of Animals for year ending December 31, 1949.

I find 56 places where cattle are kept.

Cattle are kept clean and all appear healthy.

161 Cows.

61 Young Stock.

71 Swine.

27 Goats.

67 Sheep.

33 Horses.

56 places where cattle are kept.

All barns are kept clean and cattle appear healthy.

13 dogs quarantined and released.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR W. MORRISON,

Inspector of Animals.

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING REPORT.

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit my Report as Inspector of Slaughtering.

Inspected and passed slaughtering of 5 hogs.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR W. MORRISON,

Inspector of Slaughtering.

## REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:—

I hereby submit the report of the Finance Committee for the Year 1949.

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Number of meetings held .....  | 16 |
| Number of transfers made ..... | 25 |

|                               |  |            |
|-------------------------------|--|------------|
| Bonding Town Officers .....   |  | \$11 75    |
| Town Auditor .....            |  | 2 50       |
| Printing .....                |  | 80 00      |
| Mendon Road, Chapter 90 ..... |  | 91         |
| Town Halls and Repairs .....  |  | 6 45       |
| Town Dump .....               |  | 1 00       |
| Cemetery Account .....        |  | 3 87       |
| Town Meeting .....            |  | 29 28      |
| Forest Fire .....             |  | 763 13     |
| Town Ambulance .....          |  | 97 98      |
| Public Welfare, A. D. C. .... |  | 411 69     |
| Selectmen's Expenses .....    |  | 30 00      |
| Town Counsel .....            |  | 46 15      |
| Total .....                   |  | \$1,484 71 |

|                                 |  |            |
|---------------------------------|--|------------|
| Reserve Fund .....              |  | \$3,000 00 |
| Total amount of transfers ..... |  | 1,484 71   |

|               |  |         |
|---------------|--|---------|
| Balance ..... |  | \$15 29 |
|---------------|--|---------|

Respectfully submitted,  
**HARRISON E. BATES,**  
 Clerk.

## REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICE.

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To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and voters of Upton:

This is the first Annual Report of this Department since it replaced what was formerly known as Soldiers' Relief and Military Aid.

With the ending of World War II there was a need for a greatly expanded department to assist Veterans and Veterans' dependents in obtaining their allowable benefits under the G. I. Bill of Rights. All these rights come under the supervision of the Veterans Administration and this Office has acted as sort of a medium between the Veteran and that Office. It aids in helping Veterans file and properly present all claims with the Veterans' Administration.

In 1946 the town purchased for this department Photostat equipment with which to make our own official copies of discharges and other official papers needed when filing claims and applications with the Veterans' Administration and various State agencies.

This Office also extends financial aid to needy Veterans and Veterans' dependents who file proper applications and meet the requirements of Chapter 115 of the General Laws of the Commonwealth. All moneys expended under this Chapter are subject to State Approval and investigation, after which the Town is reimbursed one-half.

As the Director of this Department for the past year I have found great pleasure in assisting our local Veterans and their dependents who have requested aid from this Office.



Seventeen Veterans applied for Assistance from Veterans' Benefits, eighty-two were assisted in other various Veterans affairs, and approximately two hundred and sixteen discharges and legal documents were photostated.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen for their fine co-operation and their confidence in me which has helped so much in performing the duties of this Office. Also I want to extend my thanks to the people and local agencies who have assisted me.

#### 1949 FINANCIAL REPORT

##### DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' SERVICES.

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Appropriation .....                             | \$1,000 00 |
| Veterans' Benefit Expenses, (General)           |            |
| Sundry Persons, cash .....                      | \$937 14   |
| E. S. Henderson,                                |            |
| stamps, office supplies .....                   | 4 55       |
| Charlescraft Press .....                        | 5 65       |
| Hobbs and Warren, Inc. ....                     | 3 71       |
| W. Page Bates, Inc., photostat                  |            |
| material .....                                  | 16 25      |
| Charlescraft Press, forms .....                 | 30 10      |
| Total Expenditures .....                        | \$997 40   |
| Unexpended Balance .....                        | \$2 60     |
| Estimated State Reimbursement to the Town ..... | \$452 06   |

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD S. HENDERSON,

Director of Veterans' Services.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,

Temporary Auditor.

## REPORT OF AUDITOR

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1949.

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I have examined and verified the financial transactions of the Town of Upton as recorded on the books of the several departments, and find that the disbursements are covered by paid bills which correspond with the orders drawn on, and paid by, the Town Treasurer.

The books and accounts of the Town Treasurer I have examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts I have checked wherever possible with the sources from which money was paid to the Town Treasurer. The payments were checked with the orders authorizing the disbursement of town funds. I have verified the cash balance on hand as of December 31, 1949, by a reconciliation of the accounts with the statements furnished by the banks.

In accordance with Section 53 of Chapter 41 of the General Laws as amended, I have examined and checked the securities and savings bank accounts representing the investment of the Trust Funds in the custody of the Town Treasurer, and find that they are as stated in the Town Treasurer's report on Trust Funds.

Respectfully submitted,  
HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

## REPORT OF AUDITOR

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THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS AND TAXATION  
DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS  
STATE HOUSE, BOSTON 33

February 9, 1949.

To the Board of Selectmen  
Dr. Earl G. Crockett, Chairman  
Upton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Upton for the period from December 9, 1947 to December 12, 1948, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,  
FRANCIS X. LANG,  
Director of Accounts.

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Mr. Francis X. Lang  
Director of Accounts  
Department of Corporations and Taxation  
State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Upton for the

period from December 9, 1947, the date of the previous audit, to December 12, 1948, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined and checked, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on December 12, 1948.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The appropriation ledgers were analyzed and checked, the appropriations as recorded being checked with the town clerk's records of appropriations voted by the town. The receipts, as recorded, were compared with the records of the departments collecting money for the town and with the other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were checked with the approved orders of the selectmen authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds. The cash book additions were verified, and the cash balance on December 12, 1948 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank of deposit, by examination of a savings bank book, and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The securities and savings bank books representing the investment of the trust and investment funds in the custody of the treasurer and the trustees were examined and listed, the income being proved and the withdrawals verified.

The tax title deeds on hand were examined and listed, the amount transferred from the 1948 tax levy being verified.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked in detail. The tax and motor vehicle and trailer excise accounts outstanding at the time of the previous examination, as well as all subsequent commitments were audited and compared with the warrants issued by the board of assessors. The abatements, as recorded, were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted, the cash book entries were checked in detail to the commitment book postings, the recorded collections were checked with the payments to the treasurer as shown on the treasurer's cash book, and the outstanding accounts were listed.

In order to verify the outstanding accounts, as listed, notices were sent to all persons whose names appeared on the collector's books as owing money to the town. In response to these notices, replies were received from a large number of persons who claimed that their taxes were paid but not credited to their accounts on the books of the collector. These claims were called to the attention of the collector who acknowledged the receipt of the taxes in question, and, moreover, submitted a large number of duplicate receipts representing items of taxes which were collected by him but which were not entered on his books nor paid over to the town treasurer. These collections, aggregating \$11,719.10, were subsequently entered by the tax collector in the cash books.

The collector resigned before the completion of the audit and, consequently, the audit of his accounts was extended to December 22, 1948, the final reconciliation of the collector's accounts indicating a net cash shortage on that date of \$11,305.63.

A corrected list of outstanding taxes was drawn off as of December 22, 1948 to be recommitted by the assessors to the temporary tax collector.

The records of licenses and permits issued by the selectmen, the town clerk, and the health department were examined and checked, and the payments to the State and the town were verified.

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

In addition to the departments mentioned, the books and accounts of the sealer of weight and measures and of the police, highway, public welfare, veterans' benefits, school, library, and cemetery departments were examined and checked, the payments to the treasurer being verified.

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's and the collector's cash, summaries of the tax, motor vehicle and trailer excise, tax title, and departmental accounts, as well as tables showing the transactions and condition of the trust and investment funds.

During the audit, cooperation was received from all town officials, for which, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, I wish to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,

Assistant Director of Accounts.

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## TOWN OF UPTON

Balance Sheet — December 12, 1948

## GENERAL ACCOUNTS

## Assets

## Cash:

|                            |             |             |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| General .....              | \$74,731 05 |             |
| Surplus War Bonus and Real |             |             |
| Estate Fund .....          | 3,321 13    |             |
|                            | <hr/>       | \$78,052 18 |

## Accounts Receivable:

## Taxes:

|                    |            |           |
|--------------------|------------|-----------|
| Levy of 1947 ..... | \$1,496 68 |           |
| Levy of 1948 ..... | 22,519 58  |           |
|                    | <hr/>      | 24,016 26 |

## Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:

|                    |  |        |
|--------------------|--|--------|
| Levy of 1948 ..... |  | 703 54 |
|--------------------|--|--------|

|                       |        |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Tax Titles .....      | 740 58 |
| Tax Possessions ..... | 581 89 |

## Departmental:

|                                |          |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Aid to Dependent Children .... | \$455 81 |          |
| Old Age Assistance .....       | 2,172 07 |          |
| Veterans' Benefits .....       | 456 86   |          |
| Cemetery .....                 | 119 00   |          |
|                                | <hr/>    | 3,203 74 |

## Aid to Highways:

## State:

|                              |            |
|------------------------------|------------|
| Chapter 81 .....             | \$2,287 68 |
| Chapter 90, Maintenance .... | 450 00     |
| Chapter 90, Construction,    |            |
| Mendon Road .....            | 1,749 65   |

|  |          |              |
|--|----------|--------------|
| Chapter 90, Construction,<br>Pleasant Street ..... | 702 78   |              |
| County:  |          |              |
| Chapter 90, Maintenance ....                       | 450 00   |              |
| Chapter 90, Construction,<br>Mendon Road .....     | 874 84   |              |
| Chapter 90, Construction,<br>Pleasant Street ..... | 351 39   |              |
|  |          | <hr/>        |
|  |          | 6,866 34     |
| Underestimates 1948:                               |          |              |
| State Parks and Reservations                       |          |              |
| Assessment .....                                   | \$20 83  |              |
| County Tax .....                                   | 428 25   |              |
|  |          | <hr/>        |
|  |          | 449 08       |
| Overdrawn Account:                                 |          |              |
| Ella W. Risteen Trust Fund                         |          |              |
| Income .....                                       |          | 565 95       |
|  |          | <hr/>        |
|  |          | \$115,179 56 |
| Liabilities and Reserves                           |          |              |
| Temporary Loans:                                   |          |              |
| In Anticipation of Reimburse-<br>ment .....        |          | \$2,900 00   |
| Surplus War Bonus and Real<br>Estate Fund .....    |          | 3,321 13     |
| Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds:                     |          |              |
| Bequests .....                                     | \$125 00 |              |
| Income .....                                       | 66       |              |
|  |          | <hr/>        |
|  |          | 125 66       |



|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Highway Machinery Fund .....                   | 8 10   |
| Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves<br>Fund ..... | 560 00 |

## Federal Grants:

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Old Age Assistance, Administra-<br>tion ..... | 265 05     |
| Sale of Town Infirmary Fund .....             | 700 00     |
| Contribution—Purchase of Inha-<br>lator ..... | 6 50       |
| Fire Loss Reimbursement—High<br>School .....  | 27,000 00  |
| Memorial Fund of Upton .....                  | 216 28     |
| Appropriation Balances .....                  | 43,413 43  |
| Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus                  | 8,139 83   |
| Overlays Reserved for Abatements:             |            |
| Levy of 1947 .....                            | \$1,496 68 |
| Levy of 1948 .....                            | 1,573 26   |
|   | <hr/>      |
|   | 3,069 94   |

## Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

|                                   |          |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise  | \$703 54 |
| Tax Title and Tax Possession .... | 1,322 47 |
| Departmental .....                | 3,203 74 |
| Aid to Highways .....             | 3,966 34 |
|                                   | <hr/>    |
|                                   | 9,196 09 |

## Surplus Revenue:

|                    |              |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Current Year ..... | \$7,889 26   |
| Prior Years .....  | 8,368 29     |
|                    | <hr/>        |
|                    | 16,257 55    |
|                    | <hr/>        |
|                    | \$115,179 56 |

## TRUST AND INVESTMENT FUNDS

## Trust and Investment Funds,

|  |              |
|--|--------------|
| Cash and Securities .....                        | \$146,287 06 |
| Cash and Securities .....                        | \$146,287 06 |
| George W. Knowlton Charity Fund                  | \$5,196 45   |
| Knowlton School Fund .....                       | 9 40         |
| Charlotte A. Batchelor School Fund               | 5,000 00     |
| Ella W. Risteen School Fund .....                | 1,051 00     |
| Charlotte A. Batchelor Library<br>Fund .....     | 5,000 00     |
| Dr. Carpenter Library Fund .....                 | 1,000 00     |
| Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds ....               | 19,060 00    |
| Workmen's Compensation Insur-<br>ance Fund ..... | 2,117 02     |
| Post-War Rehabilitation Fund ....                | 11,013 84    |
| Ella W. Risteen Fund Principal                   | 77,964 74    |

## Ella W. Risteen Fund Income:

|                         |             |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Public Welfare .....    | \$3,793 26  |
| School .....            | 5,014 52    |
| Town Improvements ..... | 1,598 00    |
|                         | \$10,405 78 |

## C. A. Batchelor and G. W. Knowl-

|                      |          |
|----------------------|----------|
| ton School Fund .... | 8,468 83 |
|----------------------|----------|

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\$146,287 06

## TOWN LIBRARY.

## FINANCIAL REPORT.

## RESOURCES.

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Town Appropriation and Carpenter Fund ..... | \$1,000 00 |
| Charlotte A. Batchellor Fund .....          | 100 00     |
|   | <hr/>      |
|   | \$1,100 00 |

## EXPENDITURES.

|                          |            |
|--------------------------|------------|
| Books .....              | \$480 20   |
| Binding .....            | 10 50      |
| Magazines .....          | 88 20      |
| Salaries .....           | 473 50     |
| Supplies .....           | 19 40      |
| Extras—                  |            |
| Library Inst. ....       | 14 40      |
| Story Telling Hour ..... | 7 00       |
|                          | <hr/>      |
|                          | \$1,093 20 |
| Unexpended .....         | <hr/>      |
|                          | \$6 80     |

Respectfully submitted,

JENNIE H. CAPEN,

Treasurer, Library Trustees.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,

Temporary Auditor.

|                          |          |          |
|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Salaries—Librarian ..... | \$460 00 |          |
| Assistant .....          | 13 50    |          |
|                          | <hr/>    | \$473 50 |

|                     |          |          |
|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Books .....         | \$480 20 |          |
| Binding Books ..... | 10 50    |          |
|                     | <hr/>    | \$490 70 |

|   |         |         |
|---|---------|---------|
| Magazines .....                         | \$76 65 |         |
| Readers' Guide .....                    | 4 55    |         |
| Library Bulletin .....                  | 2 00    |         |
| American Library Association List ..... | 5 00    |         |
|   | <hr/>   | \$88 20 |

## Supplies—

|                             |        |         |
|-----------------------------|--------|---------|
| Record Book .....           | \$2 50 |         |
| Narcus Bros. ....           | 3 75   |         |
| Narcus Bros. ....           | 1 65   |         |
| Box Rent .....              | 80     |         |
| Blotters .....              | 30     |         |
| Posters and Bookmarks ..... | 2 75   |         |
| Charlescraft Press .....    | 2 75   |         |
| Gaylord Bros. ....          | 4 90   |         |
|                             | <hr/>  | \$19 40 |

## Expense to—

|                          |         |         |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|
| Library Inst. ....       | \$14 40 |         |
| Story Telling Hour ..... | 7 00    |         |
|                          | <hr/>   | \$21 40 |

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

## TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE UPTON LIBRARY:—

The librarian herewith submits her annual report with library statistics, list of periodicals, and the catalog of new books.

Books have been purchased and added to the Dr. Carpenter Alcove as required.

The following change was made on the list of magazines: Child Life was discontinued. Story Parade was added.

Gifts of books have been received from The Upton Grange, Upton Woman's Club, Hopedale Library, Mrs. Arthur MacGregor, and Mr. Philip Dearth. Bookmarks were donated by Mr. Raymond F. Lyford and The Milford Savings Bank. During the year Mrs. Ernest I. Bentley and Mrs. Arthur W. Morrison brought to the library beautiful bouquets of flowers from their gardens.

The story hour for children from grades one to three (inclusive) was held during July and August under the direction of Mrs. Clarence E. Forsberg. The pleasure afforded the listeners by these fine stories and legends is lasting and is a stimulus to further reading of worth while books. Benches were loaned by Mrs. John Craib.

The librarian attended the Institute for Small Libraries which was held at Simmons College the last week in June.

Book Week in November was observed by a display of new books. Copies of the 1949 poster with the slogan "Make Friends with Books" were sent to the schools.

To Miss Barbara Strachan I express my thanks for her assistance during November and December.

At this time I wish to acknowledge my appreciation to the Trustees for their co-operation and advice.

Respectfully submitted,

BERTHA P. FROST,  
Librarian.

### LIBRARY STATISTICS.

|  | 1948   | 1949   |
|--|--------|--------|
| Days library open .....                | 101    | 104    |
| Circulation:                           |        |        |
| Volumes of fiction .....               | 5,341  | 4,527  |
| Volumes of non-fiction .....           | 1,835  | 1,361  |
| Children's books .....                 | 2,726  | 2,665  |
| Periodicals .....                      | 1,436  | 1,685  |
| Total Circulation .....                | 11,327 | 10,228 |
| Volumes added during 1949:             |        |        |
| By gift .....                          |        | 6      |
| By purchase .....                      |        | 245    |
| Total volumes added .....              |        | 251    |
| Fines collected on overdue books ..... |        | \$2 71 |
| Old paper sold .....                   |        | 1 55   |
|  |        | \$4 26 |

LIBRARY HOURS—Wednesdays and Saturdays 3 to 9 P. M.

## PERIODICALS RECEIVED REGULARLY.

(\*—Indicates a gift.)

|                          |                          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| American Girl            | Parents' Magazine        |
| American Magazine.       | Popular Mechanics        |
| Antiques                 | Popular Science          |
| Atlantic Monthly         | Reader's Digest          |
| Better Homes and Gardens | Saturday Evening Post    |
| Book-of-the-Month        | Saturday Review          |
| Club News*               | of Literature            |
| Boy's Life               | Scientific American      |
| Cosmopolitan             | Seventeen                |
| Good Housekeeping        | Specialty Salesman*      |
| Harpers Magazine         | Story Parade             |
| Home Craftsman           | Time                     |
| Jack and Jill            | Travel                   |
| Ladies' Home Journal     | Wilson Library Bulletin  |
| Life                     | Worcester Art Museum     |
| National Geographic      | Bulletin*                |
| National Grange Monthly* | Worcester County Farmer* |
| Nature Magazine          |                          |

## BOOKS ADDED DURING THE YEAR

1949.

(\*—Indicates a gift.)

## CLASSIFIED BOOKS.

## SCIENCE AND ART.

|   |                                       |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| Allen, R. S.  | Our sovereign state                   |
| Audell  | New automobile guide                  |
| Carroll, Alice  | Good Housekeeping needlecraft         |
| Collins, A. F.  | Working with tools for fun and profit |
| Conibear, F. &<br>Blundell, J. L.                     | Wise one                              |
| Corbett,<br>Lucy & Sidney                             | Long windows                          |
| Eaton, A. H.  | Handicrafts of New England            |
| Eberlein, H. D. &<br>Ramsdell, R. W.                  | Practical book of chinaware           |
| French & Svensen                                      | Mechanical drawing                    |
| *Gardner, C. M.                                       | Grange, friend of the farmer          |
| Goren, C. H.  | Standard book of play (bridge)        |
| Gould, M. E.  | Early American house                  |
| Kaese, Harold   | Boston Braves                         |
| *Keller, James  | You can change the world              |
| Lieb, F. G.   | Story of the World Series             |
| McKown, H. C.<br>& Le Bron, M.                        | Boy grows up                          |
| Marshall, Peter<br>(Chaplain of U. S. Senate 1947-48) | Mr. Jones meet your master            |
| Overstreet, H. A.                                     | Mature mind                           |
| Peale, N. V.  | Guide to confident living             |
| Peale, N. V.  | Guideposts                            |
| Rogers, Agnes   | Women are here to stay                |
| Rothery, Agnes  | Joyful gardener                       |
| Sarazen, Gene   | Golf clinic                           |



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|---------------------------|---|
| Spock, M. D.,<br>Benjamin | Common sense book of baby and<br>child care |
| Stuart, F. S.             | City of the bees                            |
| Taylor, F. S.             | Science & Scientific thought                |
| Town, Morgan              | Treasures in truck and trash                |
| Tuomey, Douglas           | Home maintenance handbook                   |
| Vogt, William             | Road to survival                            |
| Whaley, Ph.D., W. G.      | Biology for everyone                        |

## LITERATURE.

|                    |                            |
|--------------------|----------------------------|
| Bard, Mary         | Doctor has three faces     |
| Benchley, Robert   | Chips off the old Benchley |
| Brown, J. M.       | Morning faces.             |
| Cecil, David       | Poets and story tellers    |
| Chavchavadze, Paul | Family album               |
| Emerson, R. W.     | Essays                     |
| Giraudou, Jean     | Mad woman of Chaillot      |
| MacDonald, Betty   | Plague and I               |
| Mantle, Burns      | Best plays of 1948-1949    |
| Maugham, W. S.     | Writer's notebook          |
| Pearson, H. S.     | Countryman's year          |
| Taber, Gladys      | Especially father          |

## TRAVEL.

|                                   |                          |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Beston, Henry                     | Northern farm            |
| Caldwell, John                    | Desperate voyage         |
| Leighton, Isabel                  | Aspirin age              |
| *MacMillan, Miriam                | Green seas and white ice |
| Ogrisek, D. &<br>Rufenacht, J. G. | Switzerland              |

## BIOGRAPHY.

|                      |  |
|----------------------|--|
| Anthony, Katharine   | Dolly Madison, her life and times          |
| Burke, Billie        | Feather on my nose                         |
| Carr, J. D.          | Life of Sir Arther Conan Doyle             |
| Day, Donald (ed)     | Autobiography of Will Rogers               |
| Gilbreth, Jr., F. B. | Cheaper by the dozen                       |
| Hawthorne,           |  |
| Hildegarde           | Life of Thomas Paine                       |
| Maudlin, W. H.       | Sort of Saga                               |
| Oursler, Fulton      | Father Flanagan of Boys Town               |
| Roosevelt, Eleanor   | This I remember                            |
| Ross, Ishbel         | Elizabeth Blackwell, First Woman<br>Doctor |
| Trapp, M. A.         | Story of the Trapp family                  |
| Wright, Helen        | Life of Maria Mitchell, Astronomer         |

## HISTORY.

|                       |                                      |
|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Arnold, H. A.         | Globel mission                       |
| Banta, R. E.          | Ohio (Rivers of America)             |
| Chapman, F. S.        | Jungle is neutral (Second world war) |
| Costain, T. B.        | Conquerors (Pageant of England)      |
| Churchill, Winston S. | Their finest hour (Second world war) |
| Gunther, John         | Behind the curtain                   |
| Lewis, Oscar          | California heritage                  |
| Proper, I. S.         | Monhegan, cradle of New England      |
| Robotti, F. D.        | Chronicles of old Salem              |
| Sherwood, Robert      | Roosevelt and Hopkins                |
| Smith, W. B.          | My three years in Moscow             |

## REFERENCE.

|                  |                                 |
|------------------|---------------------------------|
| Hazeltine, M. E. | Anniversaries and holidays      |
| Kiernan, John    | Information please almanac 1950 |
| Webster's        | Geographical dictionary         |

## FICTION.

|                       |                             |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Aldrich, B. S.        | Journey into Christmas      |
| Asch, Sholem          | Mary                        |
| Baldwin, Faith        | Golden shoestring           |
| Barber, E. O.         | Trembling years             |
| Bassett, S. W.        | White sail                  |
| Bonnet, Theodore      | Mudlark                     |
| Brace, G. W.          | Summer's tale               |
| Brand, Max            | Untamed                     |
| Bronte, Emily         | Wuthering Heights           |
| Buck, Pearl           | Kinfolk                     |
| Buechner, Frederick   | Long days dying             |
| Cadell, Elizabeth     | Iris in winter              |
| Caldwell, Taylor      | Let love come last          |
| Carr, J. D.           | Below suspicion             |
| Carroll, G. H.        | West of the hill            |
| Cervantes, Miquel, De | Don Quixote                 |
| Charteris, Leslie     | Saint errant                |
| Chase, M. E.          | Plum tree                   |
| Christie, Agatha      | Crooked house               |
| Clark, W. V.          | Track of the cat            |
| Costain, J. B.        | High towers                 |
| Davis, Don            | Death on treasure trail     |
| Davis, Don            | Return of the Rio Kid       |
| De La Roche, Mazo     | Mary Wakefield              |
| Dietz, Lew            | Jeff White, young woodsman  |
| Du Bois, Theodore     | Face of hate                |
| Ermine, Will          | Rustlers moon               |
| Ernenwein, Leslie     | Rebels ride proudly         |
| Erskine, Margaret     | Give up the ghost           |
| Field, Peter          | Outlaw valley               |
| Field, Peter          | Tender-foot kid             |
| Fox, N. A.            | Thirsty land                |
| Gardner, E. S.        | Cautious coquette           |
| Gardner, E. S.        | Case of the negligent nymph |
| Gilbert, Anthony      | Innocent bottle             |

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|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Gipson, Fred          | Hound-dog man                     |
| Goudge, Elizabeth     | Gentian Hill                      |
| Gruber, Frank         | Broken lance                      |
| Gruber, Frank         | Smoky road                        |
| Guthrie, Jr., A. B.   | Way West                          |
| Hancock, L. A.        | Calling nurse Blair               |
| Heyer, Georgette      | Arabella                          |
| Hill, R. L.           | Morning is for joy                |
| Holland, Claudia      | Center aisle                      |
| Holmes, L. P.         | Desert rails                      |
| Howe, George          | Call it treason                   |
| James, H. C.          | Gold is where you find it.        |
| Kennelly, Ardyth      | Peaceable kingdom                 |
| Keyes, F. P.          | Dinner at Antoine's               |
| Larrimore, Lida       | Faraway haven                     |
| Laski, Marghamta      | Little boy lost                   |
| Lawrence, Hilda       | Duet of death                     |
| Lewis, Sinclair       | Arrowsmith                        |
| Lobell, G. G. & N. D. | Shadow and the blot               |
| Lynde, H. H.          | Slender reed                      |
| MacDonald, W. C.      | Powdersmoke justice               |
| McCrone, Guy          | Aunt Bel                          |
| MacInnes, Helen       | Rest and be thankful              |
| Manning, Roy          | Six gun sheriff                   |
| Marquand, J. P.       | Point of no return                |
| Miller, H. T.         | Mirage                            |
| Morley, Christopher   | Man who made friends with himself |
| Norris, Kathleen      | High holiday                      |
| O'Connor, Joseph      | Norwayman                         |
| Ogilvie, Elizabeth    | Rowan Head                        |
| O'Rourke, Frank       | Thunder on the Buck horn          |
| Osborne, L. P.        | Little voyage                     |
| Overholser, W. D.     | West of the Rim Rock              |
| Palmer, Stuart        | Four lost ladies                  |
| Partridge, Bellamy    | Old oaken bucket                  |
| Piper, Evelyn         | Innocent                          |

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|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Queen, Ellery             | Cat of many tails        |
| Queen, Ellery             | Queen's awards           |
| Rohmer, Sax               | Hangover house           |
| Ronn, Edward              | Gift of death            |
| Russell, C. M.            | Careless Mrs. Christian  |
| Sanburg, Carl             | Remembrance Rock         |
| Savage, Les               | Doctor at Coffin Gap     |
| Seifert, Elizabeth        | Bright coin              |
| Slaughter, Frank          | Golden isle              |
| Standish, Robert          | Elephant walk            |
| Stanley, Chuck            | Buckskin pard            |
| Stein, A. M.              | Second burial            |
| Stevenson, D. E.          | Young Mrs. Savage        |
| Stone, Irving             | Passionate journey       |
| Streeter, Edward          | Father of the bride      |
| Stuart, Jesse             | Thread that runs so true |
| Thane, Elswyth            | Dawn's early light       |
| Thompson, Thomas          | Range drifter            |
| Van de Water,<br>Frederic | Catch a falling star     |
| Walker, D. P.             | Kate Fuller, M. D.       |
| Waltari, Miki             | Egyptian                 |
| Wellman, Paul             | The chain                |
| Wentworth, Patricia       | Catherine wheel          |
| West, Tom                 | Botched brand            |
| Williams, B. A.           | Fraternity village       |
| Wilson, Mitchell          | Live with lightning      |
| Winslow, A. G.            | Springs                  |
| Young, Gordon             | Wanted—dead or alive     |

## CHILDREN'S BOOKS.

|                   |                       |
|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Adams, Katharine  | Blackthorn            |
| Anderson, H. C.   | Emperor's new clothes |
| Archibald, Joe    | Touch down glory      |
| Atkinson, Eleanor | Greyfriar's Bobby     |
| Bailey, Bernadine | California            |

|                    |                                    |
|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| Bailey, Bernadine  | Florida                            |
| Bailey, Bernadine  | Illinois                           |
| Bailey, Bernadine  | Massachusetts                      |
| Barrie, James M.   | Peter Pan                          |
| Brooks, W. R.      | Freddy goes to Florida             |
| Brown, M. W.       | Little cowboy                      |
| Brown, M. W.       | Important book                     |
| Bruce, George      | Navy Blue and Gold                 |
| Burgess, T. W.     | Happy Jack                         |
| Burgess, T. W.     | Mrs. Peter Rabbit                  |
| Cavanna, Betty     | Paint box summer                   |
| Cavanah, Frances   | Favorite Christmas stories         |
| Clark, Electa      | Penny winks                        |
| Colver, A. R.      | Joan Foster, Junior                |
| Coombs, Charles    | Treasure chest of sport stories    |
| Crump, Irving      | Boy scout stories                  |
| Dalgliesh, Alice   | Davenport's and cherry pie         |
| Dalgliesh, Alice   | Little angel                       |
| Deming, R. N.      |                                    |
| Dorothy            | Sharon's nursing diary             |
| *Doren, M. Van     | Thomas retires                     |
| Dujardin, Rosamond | Practically seventeen              |
| Downey, F. &       |                                    |
| Brown, P.          | Dogs of destiny                    |
| Engle, Madeleine   | And both were young                |
| Fedder, Ruth       | Girl grows up                      |
| Gordon, Lesley     | Pageant of dolls                   |
| *Grahame, Kenneth  | Wind in the willows                |
| Hader, B. & E.     | Big snow                           |
| Haywood, Carolyn   | Eddie and the fire engine          |
| Hazeltine, A. I.   | Children's stories to read or tell |
| Heinlein, R. A.    | Red planet                         |
| Henry, Marguerite  | King of the wind                   |
| Huntington, H. E.  | Let's go to the seashore           |
| Lang, Andrew       | Arabian nights                     |
| Lenski, Lois       | Little auto                        |

|                     |                                 |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| Lenski, Lois        | Now its' fall                   |
| Lenski, Lois        | Surprise for Davy               |
| *Long, N. & S.      | Gaylor the sailor               |
| Lyon, Elinor        | Wishing water gate              |
| McCoy, Duff         | Mystery at pickle point         |
| Mason, M. E.        | Mary Mopes Dodge, Jolly girl    |
| Meigs, E. B.        | Silver quest                    |
| Owen, Frank         | Teen-age companion              |
| Owen, Frank         | Teen-age football stories       |
| Owen, Frank         | Teen-age mystery stories        |
| Payne, Stephen      | Stories of the west             |
| Pease, Howard       | High road to adventure          |
| Petry, Ann          | Drugstore cat                   |
| Piper, Ruth         | Sudy Prill                      |
| Porter, Eleanor     | Six star ranch                  |
| Rich, L. D.         | Start of the trail              |
| Runbeck, M. L.      | Pink magic                      |
| Schloat, G. W.      | What shall I do?                |
| *Schneider, H. & N. | Let's find out                  |
| Simmons, M. I.      | Old flag's secret               |
| Smith, E. Y.        | Jennifer wish                   |
| Sperry, Armstrong   | Black Falcon                    |
| Stevenson, Augusta  | Kit Carson, boy trapper         |
| Tregarthen, Enys    | White ring                      |
| Tresselt, Alvin     | Bonnie Bess, weather vane horse |
| Tunis, J. R.        | Young Razzle                    |
| Tunis, J. R.        | Don of the valley               |
| Webber, I. E.       | Bits that grow big              |
| Wells, Carolyn (ed) | Mother Goose                    |
| Werner, Jane (ed)   | Golden book of poetry           |
| Wonder book         | Cozy little farm                |
| Woody, Regina       | Boarding school                 |
| Zim, H. S.          | Rabbits                         |

# **In Memoriam**

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**BENJAMIN C. CROOKER**

**CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**1919 to 1949**

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**DIED AUGUST 31, 1949**



**ANNUAL REPORT**

**OF THE**

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

**AND**

**Superintendent of Schools**

**OF THE**

**TOWN OF UPTON**

**FOR THE**

**Year Ending December 31, 1949**

## ORGANIZATION.

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### SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

DONALD B. JOHNSON, Chairman, Term expires 1950.  
MRS. ELSIE J. CRAIB, Secretary, Term expires 1951.  
ROBERT E. MAYNARD, Term expires 1952.

### SUPERINTENDENT.

RALPH C. STURKE, Grafton, Massachusetts.  
Tel. Residence: 2097      Office: 527, Grafton Town Hall.

### CLERK.

RUTH E. SCOTT, Grafton.  
Tel. Residence, 380—Office, 527.

### SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

BERNARD F. McKERNAN, M. D., Upton, Massachusetts.  
Tel. 248.

### SCHOOL NURSE.

MRS. RUTH L. NICHOLS, R. N., Upton, Massachusetts,  
Tel. 89.

### WORKING CERTIFICATES.

Working Cards may be obtained from Mr. Frank O. Ogden, or at the Superintendent's Office, Grafton Town Hall. Office hours are from 8.00 A. M. to 12.00 M. and from 1.30 P. M. to 5.00 P. M. on week days except Saturdays and Holidays. Saturdays the office opens at 8.00 A. M. and closes at 12.00 M.

# TEACHERS IN SERVICE DECEMBER 31, 1949.

| School   | Teachers                   | Training                             | Degrees     | Year<br>Appointed |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|
| KNOWLTON SCHOOL:                                       | Irene C. Williams (Mrs.)   | Framingham Teachers College          |             | 1943              |
|  | Edward J. Furphy           | Holy Cross                           |             |                   |
|  | Eileen Clark (Mrs.)        | Worcester Teachers                   | A.B.-B.S.E. | 1949              |
|  | Lucy M. Lowe (Mrs.)        | Farmington Normal School             |             | 1949              |
| GEORGE S. BALL SCHOOL:                                 |                            | Gorham Normal, Farmington*           |             | 1949              |
|  | Susan W. Brousseau (Mrs.)  | Fitchburg Teachers College           |             | 1913              |
|  | Elizabeth H. Brokaw (Mrs.) | Lowell Teachers College              |             | 1921              |
|  | Teresa J. Trask (Mrs.)     | Framingham Teachers College          |             | 1948              |
|  | Mary E. Greany (Mrs.)      | Worcester Teachers                   |             |                   |
| MUSIC SUPERVISOR: **                                   |                            | Columbia University*                 |             | 1947              |
|  | Arlyne M. Marcy            | New England Conservatory<br>of Music |             | 1938              |
|  |                            |                                      |             |                   |
| ART SUPERVISOR: **                                     | Mary E. Ferrari            | Mass. School of Art                  | B.S.E.      | 1948              |
| PHYSICAL EDUCATION<br>SUPERVISOR: **                   | Virginia Moreland (Mrs.)   | Temple University                    | B.S.E.      | 1949              |
| HANDWRITING<br>SUPERVISOR: **                          | W. L. Rinehart             |                                      |             |                   |
| * —Attended courses at this school.      **—Part time. |                            |                                      |             |                   |
| JANITOR:   | George Dean                |                                      |             |                   |

January 17th, 1950, Upton, Massachusetts

Voted: To accept the report of the Superintendent of Schools and to adopt the same as the report of the School Committee.

DONALD B. JOHNSON, Chairman  
ELSIE J. CRAIB, Secretary  
ROBERT E. MAYNARD

## SCHOOL CALENDAR.

1950.  

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## Winter Term, seven weeks:

Term begins Tuesday, January 3.

Term ends Friday, February 17.

## Spring Term, seven weeks:

Term begins Monday, February 27.

Term ends Friday, April 14.

## Summer Term, nine weeks:

Term begins Monday, April 24.

Term ends Friday, June 23.

## Fall Term, sixteen weeks:

Term begins Wednesday, September 6.

Term ends Friday, December 22.

## Winter Term, seven weeks:

Term begins Tuesday, January 2, 1951.

Term ends Friday, February 16.

## HOLIDAYS.

April 7—Good Friday.

May 30—Memorial Day.

October 12—Columbus Day

November 3—Teachers' Convention.

November 22, at noon for remainder of  
week—Thanksgiving Recess.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE UPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

Gentlemen:

It is my pleasure to submit my fifth annual report on the Public Schools of the Town of Upton.

Schools opened September 7th with the following enrollment:

| Grades .....       | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4    | 5    | 6    | Total |
|--------------------|----|----|----|------|------|------|-------|
| Geo. S. Ball ..... | 30 | 28 | 27 | .... | 40   | .... | 125   |
| Knowlton .....     | 22 | 17 | 13 | 30   | .... | 39   | 121   |
|                    | —  | —  | —  | —    | —    | —    | —     |
|                    | 52 | 45 | 40 | 30   | 40   | 39   | 246   |

| Northbridge Jr. High |         |    | Grafton High |          |    |
|----------------------|---------|----|--------------|----------|----|
| Grade                | 7 ..... | 33 | Grade        | 10 ..... | 27 |
|                      | 8 ..... | 29 |              | 11 ..... | 20 |
|                      | 9 ..... | 26 |              | 12 ..... | 16 |
| Vocational .....     | 10      | —  |              |          | —  |
|                      | —       | —  |              |          | 63 |
|                      | 98      |    |              |          |    |

## TEACHERS.

The following resignations took place in June, 1949:

Mrs. Betty D. Sabin  
Mrs. Lora D. Dearth  
Miss Mary A. Dineen

Teachers appointed to fill the vacancies created by the above resignations were as follows:

Mr. Edward J. Furphy  
Mrs. Eileen Clark  
Mrs. Lucy M. Lowe

It is fitting at this time to pay tribute to a teacher of long and devoted service. Mrs. Lora D. Dearth began teaching in the Upton Public Schools in 1917. From that time until June 1949 she served the youth of this community with faithful and loyal devotion. Fortunate indeed are those who came under her tutelage. Fortunate the community which is privileged to have the high quality of service she rendered for so many years. I am sure the townspeople join this department in wishing her many happy years of retirement.

The following interesting observation is made from information obtained from the Massachusetts Department of Labor and Industries as issued by the Massachusetts Teachers' Federation. The figures below are the average weekly wages for the week ending October 15, 1949, multiplied by 52.

\$3,656.00—Plumbing and Heating.  
3,406.00—Building Construction.  
3,865.00—Masons and Plasterers.  
3,320.00—Building General Labor.  
3,306.00—Painters.  
3,243.00—Carpenters.  
3,230.00—Binderries.  
3,180.00—Classroom teacher of Massachusetts.  
2,250.00—Classroom teacher of Upton.

(Average October, 1949.)

The School Committee in adopting a salary scale with a \$2,200.00 minimum and a \$3,000.00 maximum has taken a step forward to remedy this unfair condition. As may be seen from the figures above our maximum is still below the average for the State as a whole. I shall repeat again a paragraph from my last two reports:

"When in competition with larger towns and cities, small towns are at a disadvantage because they generally offer smaller salaries and because teachers are anxious to work in larger systems which furnish greater opportunity for professional advancement. To offset these conditions and to fill vacancies which are bound to occur, we must be prepared to meet or even surpass the salaries of larger towns. We must face these facts and make provision for meeting them."

This past Fall the School Committee voted to employ a part time instructor in Physical Education. Physical Education in the elementary grades is characterized by two things: It is informal, and it is largely non-competitive. When first introduced in the school, physical training largely consisted of formal drills and calisthenics. The trend has changed and now the work is practically all in the form of games, dances, and informal activities. Among the chief objectives may be listed the development of interest in play and recreation, i. e. (1) the ability to gain pleasure from games and physical activity, and (2) the development of social and moral standards, such as good sportsmanship, faithfulness to duty, devotion to serious tasks, team work, and many other qualities. The report of the physical education instructor follows this report.

#### MAINTENANCE AND EQUIPMENT.

This past year the interior of the Ball School was painted in a pleasing pastel shade which adds to the attractiveness and lighting efficiency of the classrooms.

Repairs were made in the plumbing in both boys' and girls' toilets at the Ball School. Many minor and unforeseen repairs were done to improve both the Ball and the Knowlton Schools.

During the coming year I recommend that new lights be installed throughout the Ball School, that the roof be re-sealed, and that the driveway be filled and tarred.

The hard surfaced play area at the Knowlton School, begun two years ago, was enlarged this year. This has proven to be one of the best possible investments for the children attending this school because it offers at least a small area free from mud where the pupils may play during the spring and winter months.

It is very important in any organization to maintain and improve the equipment with which that organization does business. That is true of our schools, and, even though increased costs seem almost prohibitive, it is unwise economy to "let things go" until everything is needed at the same time.

Last year and again this year we have replaced old and obsolete furniture with new and improved pieces. Now we have every classroom completely furnished with new, modern, up-to-date pupils' seats and desks. Much (at least five complete class-rooms) of this new furniture can be moved directly to the new building when completed, thus eliminating some expense at that time.

In addition, we have added the following to our equipment:

- 1 Ditto Liquid Duplicator.
- 1 Film Slide Projector.
- 1 Radiant Screen.



- 1 Portable Record Player.
- 1 RCA Victor Record Library.
- 1 Set Book of Knowledge.
- 1 Picture Reference Library.
- 2 Metal Filing Cabinets.
- 1 Set of Book House.
- 12 Swings for Playground.
- 1 Set Elementary History Maps
- 1 Beginners' Globe Map.

This is a partial list of the equipment necessary to operate a modern school to meet the needs of the boys and girls of today. It is my recommendation that we continue to supply the necessary tools and equipment for the proper instruction of our boys and girls.

#### THE FUTURE.

The educational opportunities for the young people of Upton have been advanced in many ways during the past year. By far the most important, however, took place when the townspeople at a special town meeting held August 9th, voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200,000.00 for the purpose of erecting and equipping a consolidated grammar school. This was to be done providing the State would reimburse the town at least 40% of the cost. At this meeting the school building committee, made up of the following members: Donald B. Johnson, Elsie J. Craib, Robert E. Maynard, Ernest B. Porter, Allan S. Donham, Gordon E. Benson, and George N. O. Poirier, was authorized to enter into such contracts as were necessary to carry out the intent of this vote.

It is not within the province of this report to give in detail the accomplishments of the school building committee. Suffice it to say an architect has been selected and that plans

are being drawn for the erection of such a Consolidated Grammar School upon the site originally occupied by Upton High School.

It is predicted by the architectural firm designing the building that it will be ready for occupancy early in the school year 1950-51.

Due to prevailing uncertainties it is impossible to determine, however, what our administrative schedule will be until plans are further advanced. Therefore, I recommend that we maintain our present arrangement until such time as it is certain that our pupils can be provided for in the new building.

With the continued support of the townspeople, which has been so generously given in the past, the educational future seems bright for the young people of Upton.

In closing I wish to express appreciation to all school employees for their co-operation during the past year. I am particularly grateful for the advice and assistance given me by the School Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH C. STURKE,

Superintendent of Schools.

REGISTRATION  
UPTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

October 1, 1949.

| School             | Grades | 1  | 2  | 3  | 4    | 5    | 6    | Total |
|--------------------|--------|----|----|----|------|------|------|-------|
| Knowlton .....     |        | 22 | 22 | 12 | 30   | .... | 39   | 125   |
| Geo. S. Ball ..... |        | 30 | 28 | 27 | .... | 38   | .... | 123   |
|                    |        | —  | —  | —  | —    | —    | —    | —     |
| Totals .....       |        | 52 | 50 | 39 | 30   | 38   | 39   | 248   |

|                   | Grades | 7    | 8    | 9    | 10   | 11   | 12   | Voc. |     |
|-------------------|--------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-----|
| Northbridge       |        |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |     |
| Jr. High .....    | 33     | 29   | 28   | .... | .... | .... | 9    |      | 99  |
| Grafton           |        |      |      |      |      |      |      |      |     |
| High School ....  | ....   | .... | .... | 27   | 27   | 16   | .... |      | 70  |
| Grand Total ..... |        |      |      |      |      |      |      |      | 417 |

REPORT OF SCHOOL CENSUS

October 1, 1949.

| Age          | 5-7 | 7-16 | Total |
|--------------|-----|------|-------|
| Boys .....   | 50  | 140  | 190   |
| Girls .....  | 33  | 144  | 177   |
|              | —   | —    | —     |
| Totals ..... | 83  | 284  | 367   |

Physically Handicapped—4.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE RECORD

1948-1949.

KNOWLTON SCHOOL

Donald Hall  
Marilyn Francis

GEO. S. BALL SCHOOL

Elizabeth Pye

UPTON CLASS OF 1949

GRAFTON HIGH SCHOOL

\*Nancy Akerson  
Joyce Bailey  
\*Elizabeth Brokaw  
\*Phyllis Christie  
Marjorie Emerson  
\*Barbara Fitzpatrick  
Reginald Higgins  
Donald Nichols  
Mabel Sanders  
\*Joyce Sanderson  
Arne Strandberg  
\*Eleanor Swanson  
\*Dorothy Sweet  
Eleanor Tornwall  
Edwin Tuttle  
Barbara Whitten

\*—Honor Pupils.

REPORT OF THE  
SUPERVISOR OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION.

Mr. Ralph C. Sturke, Superintendent of Schools:

I hereby submit my first annual report as Supervisor of Physical Education in the Public Schools of Upton.

Physical Education through regular use of the tools at hand aims to put into the everyday life of the boy and girl those experiences out of which will come common sense in action, sound judgment in making decisions, delight in doing, and joy in accomplishment. The tools are the game, the skill, the team, the stunt, the dance, the rules, the score, the playground, the playroom, and the equipment. The use of these to their fullest extent for the enrichment of the life of the pupil is the general purpose of Physical Education.

By reason of the experiences provided in Physical Education under guidance of the teacher, boys and girls at the end of the fifth grade should be able to:

Follow directions.

Wait their turns willingly.

Play without fighting.

Learn game fundamentals.

Stand, walk, sit in good posture.

Run and hop without falling.

Skip, walk, gallop, turn, march in rhythm.

Jump over a knee-high object.

Leap and touch an object held about two feet above his reach.

Do and enjoy rhythms and dances.

Catch and throw a ball using underhand, overhand, chest and side arm throws.

- Bounce a ball to himself and to another.
- Perform stunts.
- Play games, and know them by name.
- Know the names, uses and care of equipment.
- Initiate useful activity on the playground.
- Win or lose gracefully.
- Show sportsmanship at all times.

Objectives in one grade are carried over and stressed in the next.

The facilities are the playground, the classroom, the corridor, and the playroom. The Physical Education program is adapted to such facilities as are available.

The time allotted to this program is as follows:

- Instructional period—30 or 40 minutes once a week.
- Organized play and recess—30 minutes daily.
- Before school and lunch periods—allow the pupil to take part in the activities that have been taught in the instructional period.

Activities are such as to provide reasonable protection against injury. Training in self-protection through the development of alertness, and by removing or avoiding physical hazards are progressively given throughout the grades.

#### PROCEDURE:

Introductory Exercises—5% of Physical Education Program:

Forming in line, and forming a circle, first by measuring distance or joining hands, and later by judging with the eye, constitute primary training in space relationship. Skill in

this must be developed early. Frequent use of circles, lines, and moving freely in imitation play, avoiding contact with others, will aid the development of the sense of space and distance and independent movement.

Examples of Imitation Play:

- Thanksgiving Turkey Hunt.
- Trimming the Christmas Tree.

Self-Testing and Stunts—10 % of Program:

These activities are challenges to physical ability. They develop a sense of balance, and also give the child an opportunity to "show off" in a situation which is wholesome, and they often meet the need of the child who has not found himself in his group.

Examples of Self Testing and Stunts:

- Bean Bag Toss into a Circle.
- Elephant Walk.

Rhythms—25 % of Program:

Dancing is fun, and it is a form of self expression. Singing games and folk dances appeal very strongly to the elementary pupils.

Examples of Rhythms:

- Do You Know the Muffin Man?
- Hickory Dickory Dock.
- Virginia Reel.

Games—60 % of the Program:

Games afford great enjoyment and offer opportunities for the wholesome direction of the child's interests and energy. Some types of games are: running and chasing; athletic contests; games using equipment; relay races.

Examples of Games:

Hill Dill, Come Over the Hill.  
Squirrels in Trees.  
Kickball.

Respectfully submitted,

VIRGINIA MORELAND.

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REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR.

Mr. Ralph C. Sturke,  
Superintendent of Schools.

I should like to submit to you my annual report of the music program in the Schools of Upton, Massachusetts.

The aim of the program is to foster an enjoyment and appreciation for music so that it becomes a vital part of each pupil's everyday experience. Through the constant efforts of the elementary grade teachers, we are trying to develop daily the skills and fundamentals of theory into a foundation upon which we may build more fluent music readers and more accurate musicians.

Many children in the first grade are just beginning to use their singing voices, so great emphasis is put upon the quality of tone, pitch, diction and breathing. During the first year we attempt to develop good singing while building a repertory of



songs. Rhythmic expression is evidenced through activity songs, interpretation of the music, through swaying, marching and rhythm band.

This program is continued into the second year where the elementals of theory are introduced and children become familiar with the staff, scale and note arrangements.

Gradually, through drill and practice in the third and fourth grades, the children are trained to eye and ear recognition of familiar patterns, to singing figures at sight, and to comprehension of time, until, in the fourth year, they are able to sing a new song with a minimum of assistance from the teacher.

When the reading skills have been acquired, attention may be given to more difficult problems of theory, two and three-part singing and interpretation. Music appreciation and dancing add variety to the daily program. In this plan of study for the fifth and sixth grades often times listening and interpreting may stimulate creative activity. This as a phase we shall attempt to develop later in the year.

In the execution of the whole program total co-operation is essential to the administration and parents whose support sponsors this music training, to the teachers who so conscientiously carry out the program, to the students whose active participation contributes to the enjoyment of teaching, I offer my sincere appreciation for this co-operation which I have always found throughout the entire system.

Respectfully submitted,

ARLYNE M. MARCY,  
Music Supervisor.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ART.

Mr. Ralph C. Sturke,  
Superintendent of Schools:

I hereby submit my second annual report as Supervisor of Art in the Public Schools of Upton.

Art Education is essential to general education. It enriches the lives of the children and contributes to the full development of each child for the community in which he lives. Participation and enjoyment in its many forms of expression are among the finest contributions that our schools offer to the children of today. To give them what art has to offer helps to refine, enrich and uplift their lives. Only one child in a hundred may eventually adopt art as a profession but the other ninety-nine may be helped to develop many desirable habits.

The aims of art education can be gathered into four categories:

1. Development of creative ability.
2. Appreciation and enjoyment of art.
3. Awareness and practical knowledge of art in everyday life.
4. Development of accepting responsibilities and working with others.

These aims serve as a basis for the art curriculum:

Development of creative ability:

Creativeness has to do with thinking and feeling as well as doing. In the primary grades, life situations are utilized to give point and purpose to the simple creative urges of the child. Units of work on familiar things, such as the home,

school, farm, community, seasonal activities, holidays, and favorite stories, are developed. At first, the class is motivated by either lively discussion, dramatization, or music. The individual needs of the children are met through the use of a variety of media such as crayons, colored construction paper, plasterline, and fingerpaint, which are used in both individual and group work. The child is encouraged to organize well and express ideas and feelings freely and adequately.

In grades 4-6, some of the art work is correlated with subjects such as social studies, geography, English, history, etc. Imagination, organization, observation, plus workmanship, are stressed and expressed through color, line, dark and light, form and texture. Projects in crayon, watercolor, chalk, cut paper, paper sculpture, paper mache, murals, scale models, blockprinting, and lettering have been carried out.

In general, a child's impulses, emotions and capacities are respected and he responds with direct and fearless statements. Creative art develops alertness, freshness of outlook, imagination, and resourcefulness, all of which are needed in our rapidly moving, modern civilization.

#### Appreciation and enjoyment of art:

Art is not merely drawing and painting but an appreciation of art in its many forms. Every child is given the opportunity to enjoy the beauty in the out-of-doors—the color, shapes, and rhythms in various effects of nature. Therefore, when weather permits, many art classes are conducted out-of-doors in an effort to absorb the natural beauty that surrounds us. This phase of art experience gives much joy to the child and is valuable to him in many ways.

In order to appreciate and enjoy art, the child must understand certain phases of it. In all grades the child is taught to understand the beauty of color, the many effects that light

has upon it, and ways in which color expresses emotions, such as happiness and gaiety, sadness and dreariness, strength and forcefulness. Along with color, dark and light are considered. The ways in which dark against light is used to make things stand out as more important than others, and the balance of dark and light in various forms, are recognized. Form and texture, both in drawing and painting and in three-dimensional work, such as modeling, paper sculpture, scale models, etc., are also considered. These and other important phases of art are stressed. They are approached in accordance to the child's age level and capacities.

Appreciation is a natural growth of participation, and opportunities are given for class discussions of their own work in an endeavor to build desirable attitudes and appreciations toward the efforts of others. Many important points of emphasis are carried over to the children by their seeing and discussing art work of the old masters and contemporary artists.

Awareness and practical knowledge of are in everyday life:

When art is really understood and felt, it becomes a part of daily living. Arranging furniture in a room, hanging pictures, choosing a color for the walls, arranging flowers in a bowl, recognising good design in advertising, book jackets, Christmas cards, and designing our own—any of these become a design experience when there is an effort to do the things as well as possible. Every child is encouraged to develop good taste. Opportunities for experimenting with these practical experiences are offered in art classes at all levels according to the age levels and capacities of the children.

Development of accepting responsibilities and working with others:

Group projects help in the experience of exchanging of ideas with one another and developing them. The children

learn to work together harmoniously, share responsibilities, and give constructive criticism to their classmates and to themselves. Committees are formed, whose duties are to organize the various groups and see that the work of each child is finished and up to standards set by the class. Students are also responsible for the distribution, care, and collection of the materials used in this work. Group projects have included murals, table displays, scale model villages, and a scale model house, with each piece of furniture designed and executed in wood, plus papering walls and upholstering furniture, which was carried out by the sixth grade class.

Modern teaching inducts the child into the sphere of living art, and the aim of modern art instruction is to develop a sound feeling for art that will be of service in whatever situation the child may find himself in later life.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. FERRARI,

Art Supervisor.

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#### REPORT OF HANDWRITING SUPERVISOR.

Mr. Ralph C. Sturke,  
Superintendent of Schools.

I am pleased to submit the following report of the operation of the handwriting program in the Upton Schools for the school year of 1948-1949.

In the initial handwriting tests administered in September 1934, 26% of your pupils received a grade of "A" (Excellent); 26% received a grade of "B" (Good); and

48% were graded less than "B". In the tests administered in June 1949, 87.2% of your pupils received a grade of "A", 7.7% received a grade of "B"; and 5.1% scored less than "B". Handwriting certificates were awarded to 77% of your sixth grade pupils.

During the school year we graded approximately 2000 formal samples of handwriting for your pupils. A formal test was administered monthly and a report was sent to each teacher giving a careful diagnosis of the handwriting of each pupil in her room.

We furnish the following instructional materials: monthly teachers' outlines, pupil folder outlines, room motivation certificates, handedness tests, individual handwriting certificates for eighth grade pupils who qualified, monthly and term envelopes, seals, etc.

My supervisors join with me in expressing our appreciation for the splendid cooperation we have received from you and your teachers at all times. We are very pleased with the results obtained in your schools.

Sincerely yours,

W. L. RINEHART,

Director.

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE.

Mr. Ralph C. Sturke,  
Superintendent of Schools.

I hereby submit my annual report as School Nurse in Upton.

The usual routine work of weighing, measuring, testing eyes and hearing, classroom visits, and consultations with the Superintendent and teachers, has been carried on throughout the year. Home visits have been made to talk over problems of health with the parents and to advise immediate correction of defects.

Dr. McKernan has completed a thorough health examination of all pupils. The defects are recorded on the pupil's report card and recommendation made for correction.

The general health standards in our school are good.

I wish to thank all who have helped promote better health in our schools.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH L. NICHOLS, R. N.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

OF UPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE, JANUARY 1, 1950.

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### INCOME.

|                                   |                   |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Appropriation .....               | \$70,480 00       |
| Dog Tax .....                     | 694 41            |
| Knowlton-Batchelor Fund .....     | 100 00            |
| Charlotte M. Batchelor Fund ..... | 173 82            |
|                                   | <hr/> \$71,448 23 |

### EXPENDITURES.

#### Teachers:

|                            |          |
|----------------------------|----------|
| Barbara Baker .....        | \$7 50   |
| Elizabeth H. Brokaw .....  | 2,190 00 |
| Susan W. Brousseau .....   | 2,240 00 |
| Mary Brown .....           | 33 75    |
| Eileen Clark .....         | 880 00   |
| Elsie J. Craib .....       | 30 00    |
| Lora D. Dearth .....       | 1,290 00 |
| Mary A. Dineen .....       | 1,290 00 |
| Mary E. Ferrari .....      | 360 00   |
| Edward J. Furphy .....     | 880 00   |
| Katharine Goldthwait ..... | 7 50     |
| Mary E. Greany .....       | 2,190 00 |
| Grace Hentz .....          | 7 50     |
| Doris Loukes .....         | 45 00    |
| Lucy M. Lowe .....         | 880 00   |
| Arlene M. Marcy .....      | 375 00   |
| Virginia Moreland .....    | 100 00   |
| W. L. Rinehart .....       | 210 00   |



|                         |          |                   |
|-------------------------|----------|-------------------|
| Betty D. Sabin .....    | 1,290 00 |                   |
| Teresa J. Trask .....   | 2,190 00 |                   |
| Irene C. Williams ..... | 2,290 00 |                   |
| Frederick White .....   | 7 50     |                   |
|                         |          | <hr/> \$18,793 75 |

## Supervision:

|                               |            |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------|------------------|
| Ralph C. Sturke, salary ..... | \$1,500 00 |                  |
| Ralph C. Sturke, travel ..... | 168 50     |                  |
| Ruth E. Scott, salary .....   | 620 00     |                  |
|                               |            | <hr/> \$2,288 50 |

## Janitors:

|                           |            |                  |
|---------------------------|------------|------------------|
| Benjamin C. Crooker ..... | \$1,000 12 |                  |
| George Dean .....         | 1,161 42   |                  |
| Walter J. Kirby .....     | 41 25      |                  |
|                           |            | <hr/> \$2,202 79 |

## Health:

|                                 |          |                |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------------|
| Bernard F. McKernan, M. D. .... | \$100 00 |                |
| Ruth L. Nichols, R. N. ....     | 500 00   |                |
| Supplies .....                  | 18 86    |                |
|                                 |          | <hr/> \$618 86 |

## Fuel:

|                             |            |                  |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------------|
| Barney Coal Co. ....        | \$1,457 47 |                  |
| W. G. Fiske Lumber Co. .... | 30 00      |                  |
| Milford Daily News .....    | 3 90       |                  |
|                             |            | <hr/> \$1,491 37 |

## Transportation:

|                      |            |
|----------------------|------------|
| Daniel Fay .....     | \$2,613 67 |
| George Poirier ..... | 5,385 31   |

|                          |          |                   |
|--------------------------|----------|-------------------|
| Laurie Thompson .....    | 2,983 14 |                   |
| Milford Daily News ..... | 6 83     |                   |
|                          |          | <hr/> \$10,988 95 |

## Repairs and Maintenance:

|                                 |          |                  |
|---------------------------------|----------|------------------|
| Henry D. Ainsworth .....        | \$67 64  |                  |
| Arthur Atchue .....             | 8 00     |                  |
| Laurence H. Atwood .....        | 34 58    |                  |
| Edw. E. Babb Co. ....           | 374 81   |                  |
| F. M. Carder .....              | 104 75   |                  |
| George Dean .....               | 184 00   |                  |
| Earle Fiske .....               | 5 00     |                  |
| W. G. Fiske Lumber Co. ....     | 126 02   |                  |
| J. L. Hammett Co. ....          | 4,622 78 |                  |
| W. A. Henchey .....             | 19 50    |                  |
| Eugene Lemoine .....            | 8 00     |                  |
| Mass. State Prison Colony ..... | 72 50    |                  |
| Palley Office Supply Co. ....   | 102 00   |                  |
| Henry Poirier .....             | 304 23   |                  |
| Vincent Powers .....            | 287 80   |                  |
| William Robinson .....          | 16 00    |                  |
| E. J. Varley .....              | 3 00     |                  |
|                                 |          | <hr/> \$6,340 61 |

## Books and Supplies:

|                                  |         |  |
|----------------------------------|---------|--|
| American Book Co. ....           | \$38 56 |  |
| Edw. E. Babb Co. ....            | 338 21  |  |
| R. M. Beuttel .....              | 7 84    |  |
| Denoyer-Geppert Co. ....         | 343 04  |  |
| Encyclopedia Britannica Co. .... | 30 12   |  |
| Grolier Society .....            | 83 10   |  |
| J. L. Hammett Co. ....           | 350 35  |  |
| D. C. Heath Co. ....             | 73 24   |  |
| Houghton Mifflin .....           | 9 71    |  |
| J. B. Lippincott Co. ....        | 11 92   |  |
| Mac-Ben Sporting Goods Co. ....  | 36 40   |  |

|                                  |        |                  |
|----------------------------------|--------|------------------|
| The Macmillan Co. ....           | 48 69  |                  |
| Martin & Murray Co. ....         | 77 75  |                  |
| A. J. Nystrom Co. ....           | 23 73  |                  |
| A. B. Rider Associates ....      | 45 07  |                  |
| Row, Peterson & Co. ....         | 270 53 |                  |
| Science Research Associates .... | 77 97  |                  |
| Scott, Foresman Co. ....         | 52 13  |                  |
| Chas. Scribner's Sons ....       | 39 19  |                  |
| Silver Burdett Co. ....          | 147 20 |                  |
| Spencer Printing Co. ....        | 13 40  |                  |
| University of Chicago Press .... | 5 66   |                  |
|                                  |        | <hr/> \$2,123 81 |

## Miscellaneous and Sundries:

|                                      |        |                |
|--------------------------------------|--------|----------------|
| Edw. E. Babb Co. ....                | 49 74  |                |
| K. M. Crawford Co. ....              | 95 46  |                |
| Duncan & Goodell Co. ....            | 11 40  |                |
| C. A. Esty Paper Co. ....            | 9 44   |                |
| W. G. Fiske Lumber Co. ....          | 1 84   |                |
| J. L. Hammett Co. ....               | 22 40  |                |
| Wm. Knowlton & Sons ....             | 44 30  |                |
| C. C. Lowell Co. ....                | 13 77  |                |
| New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co. ....        | 107 91 |                |
| Standard Cotton Goods Co. ....       | 32 94  |                |
| M. D. Stetson Co. ....               | 33 47  |                |
| Stone & Forsyth Co. ....             | 65 66  |                |
| Fred W. Wood Pharmacy ....           | 2 37   |                |
| Worcester Suburban Electric Co. .... | 185 80 |                |
|                                      |        | <hr/> \$676 50 |

## General Miscellaneous:

|                                      |        |
|--------------------------------------|--------|
| Frost Stamp Works ....               | \$2 30 |
| Edw. F. X. Jalbert ....              | 26 30  |
| National Schoolhouse Construction..  | 2 50   |
| National Education Association ..... | 7 38   |

|                                     |       |         |
|-------------------------------------|-------|---------|
| St. Paul, Miss., Dept. of Education | 2 00  |         |
| Alice G. Walker .....               | 50 00 |         |
|                                     | <hr/> | \$90 48 |

• Tuition:

|                            |            |             |
|----------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Town of Grafton .....      | \$9,888 21 |             |
| Town of Whitinsville ..... | 15,198 08  |             |
|                            | <hr/>      | \$25,086 29 |

|                          |             |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| Total Expenditures ..... | \$70,701 91 |
| Unexpended Balance ..... | 746 32      |

I have examined this report and find it correct.

HARVEY L. MARTINDALE,  
Temporary Auditor.

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