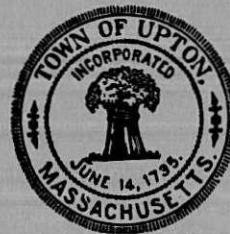
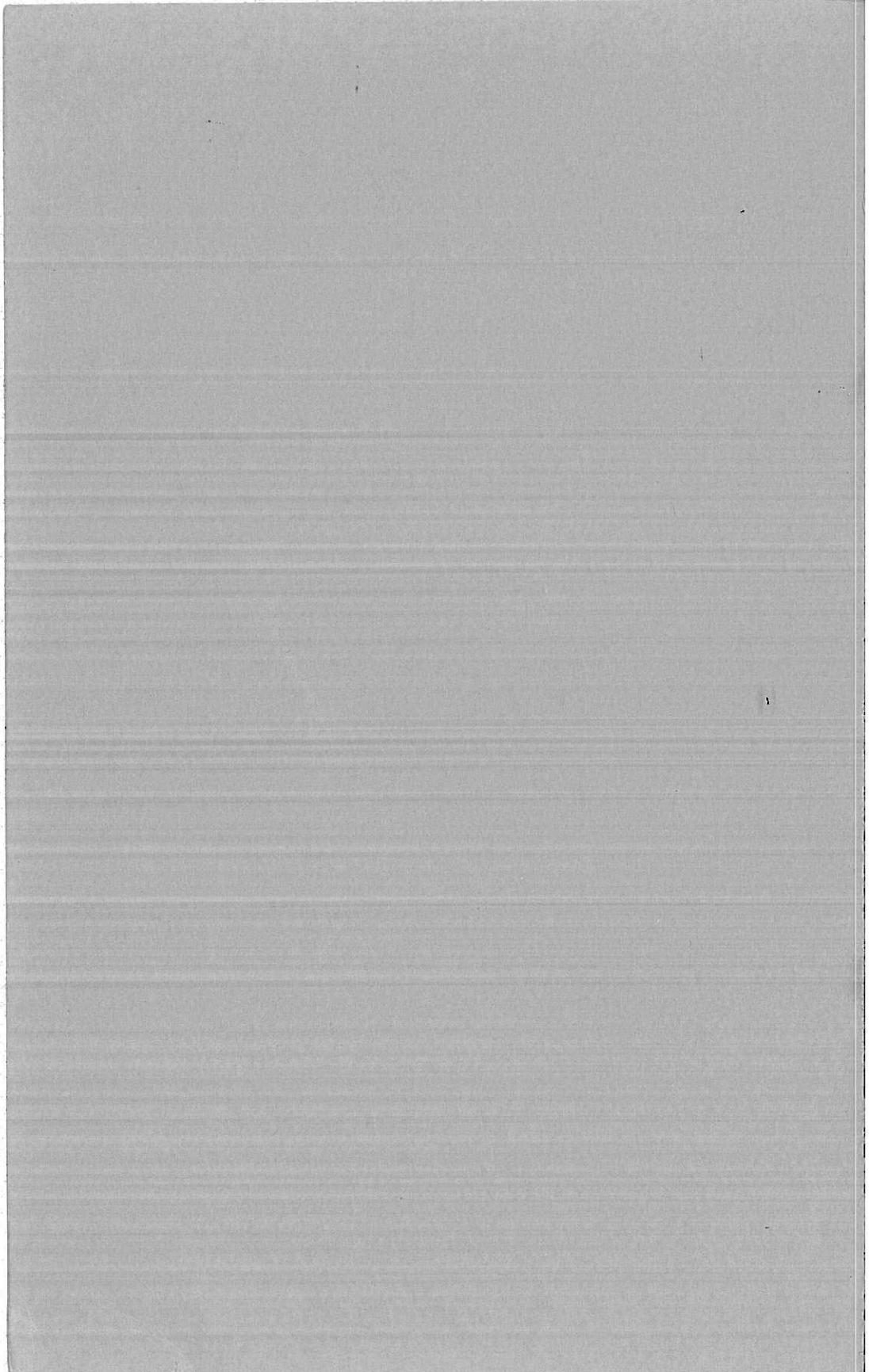


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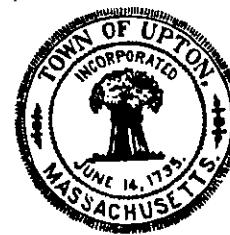


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TOWN OF UPTON

Incorporated June 14, 1735

POPULATION

1970	— Federal Census to be taken
1965 State Census	3,502
1960 Federal Census	3,127
1955 State Census	2,921
1950 Federal Census	2,656

“DOWN THROUGH THE YEARS”

1735 — Approximately 50 families

1790	833	1850	2,018
1800	854	1860	1,986
1810	995	1870	1,989
1820	1,088	1880	2,023
1830	1,167	1890	1,878
1835	1,410	1900	1,937
1840	1,658	1930	2,026
		1940	2,249

Town comprises 21.81 Square Miles

Land — 13,853.3 acres Water — 104.7 acres

Town Highways — 61.51 miles

Pratt Hill — 595 ft. above mean sea level

Town Hall — Approximately 301 ft. above mean sea level

To make the township of Upton, named for a village in Worcestershire, England, lands belonging to the Towns of Mendon, Uxbridge, Sutton and Hopkinton were set off by the General Court. First town meeting in the John Sadler house, Mendon Street, August 8, 1735.

U. S. SENATORS

Edward W. Brooke of Newton
Edward M. Kennedy of Boston

CONGRESSMAN, FOURTH DISTRICT

Harold D. Donohue of Worcester

SENATOR, FOURTH WORCESTER DISTRICT

James A. Kelly, Jr. of Oxford

REPRESENTATIVES, NINTH WORCESTER DISTRICT

Louis P. Bertonazzi of Milford
Nathan Rosenfeld of Milford

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Paul X. Tivnan of Paxton, Chairman
William H. Cassidy of Webster
Joseph A. Aspero of Worcester (resigned)
Walter F. Kelly of Worcester (to fill vacancy)

SHERIFF OF WORCESTER COUNTY

Joseph A. Smith of Worcester

COUNTY TREASURER

Edward Patrick Bird of Fitchburg

CLERK OF COURTS, WORCESTER COUNTY

James A. Joyce of Worcester

REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY

F. Joseph Donohue of Worcester

REGISTER OF DEEDS, WORCESTER DISTRICT

Robert R. Gallagher of Worcester

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

William T. Buckley of Worcester

TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1969

MODERATOR

George W. Burnham term expires 1970

SELECTMEN

Ernest B. Porter, Chairman term expires 1972
Harold F. Francis term expires 1970
James J. Gallagher term expires 1971

TOWN TREASURER

Ashley M. Perkins term expires 1970

COLLECTOR OF TAXES AND TOWN COLLECTOR

Clement J. Lambert term expires 1972

ASSESSORS OF TAXES

Samuel Nahra, Jr., Chairman term expires 1970
Mrs. Marie-Ange Bartlett term expires 1971
William S. Evans, Jr. term expires 1972

MENDON-UPTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Richard G. Howarth term expires 1972
Mrs. Marjorie I. McLaughlin term expires 1971
Jerald A. Rice term expires 1970

Mendon members are: Richard L. Childs, chairman; L. Everett Murphy, resigned; Richard J. Ferrucci to fill vacancy to next election, and Mrs. Nancy Bradley.

Appointed: John Robertson of Upton, Treasurer
Wilho Frigard of Upton, Secretary

CEMETERY COMMISSION

Edward J. Gurry, Chairman term expires 1970
Raymond K. Smith, Treasurer term expires 1971
William H. Sadler, Clerk term expires 1972

CONSTABLES
(Term expires 1971)

Alfred H. Aldrich	David I. Aldrich	Alfred H. Nichols
Rodney B. Marchand		Rudolph J. Scholl (moved out of state)

ROAD COMMISSIONER

Henry J. Poirier	term expires 1970
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TREE WARDEN

Donald R. Keniston	term expires 1970
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TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Richard Lindi, Chairman	term expires 1971
Mrs. Ruth E. Crooker, Secretary	term expires 1971
Mrs. Norma L. Taft	term expires 1971
Chester W. Walker	term expires 1972
David C. Jacobs	term expires 1972
Mrs. Susan B. Scribner	term expires 1972
James F. Gorman (deceased)	term expires 1970
Karl H. Rooney (to fill vacancy)	term expires 1970
Mrs. Elizabeth H. Wood	term expires 1970
Mrs. Hazel L. Forsberg	term expires 1970

SEWER-WATER COMMISSION

Thomas L. Francis, Chairman	term expires 1970
George E. Nydam	term expires 1972
Samuel E. Aldrich	term expires 1971

PLANNING BOARD

Mrs. Carol F. Blomquist, Chairman	term expires 1971
Ernest W. Ramsey	term expires 1973
Peter M. Scribner	term expires 1970
Paul V. Swanson	term expires 1974
James R. Wheeler	term expires 1972

PARK COMMISSION

Arthur K. McCarty, Chairman term expires 1972
 Edward C. Rock term expires 1970
 Stewart A. Whitney term expires 1971

BOARD OF HEALTH

Edward C. St.Andre, Chairman term expires 1971
 Alvin P. Nichols term expires 1970
 Robert F. Ramsey term expires 1972

**LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE TO
BLACKSTONE REGIONAL VOCATIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Edward S. Henderson term expires 1971

UPTON HOUSING AUTHORITY

John J. Fitch, Chairman term expires 1974
 William T. Frieswick, Clerk term expires 1973
 Richard W. Jacques term expires 1970
 Henry C. Walker term expires 1971
 Robert L. May term expires July 12, 1971
 (appointed by Governor)

APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN

TOWN ACCOUNTANT
 (Expires in March 1970)
 Charles Herbert Ferris

CLERK TO SELECTMEN
 Mrs. Celestine I. Mason

TOWN COUNSEL
 Jacob Oppewal of Whitinsville (Resigned)
 Robert J. Gallagher of Westboro
 (November 1, 1969)

DELEGATE TO CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE

Paul V. Swanson

Alternate

Mrs. Celestine I. Mason

CHIEF OF POLICE

Rudolph J. Scholl

(Leave of absence to August 1, 1969)

ACTING POLICE CHIEF

(January 31, 1969)

Rodney B. Marchand

POLICE CHIEF

(Effective August 1, 1969)

Rodney B. Marchand

POLICE SERGEANT

Samuel E. Aldrich

POLICE OFFICERS

Alvin P. Nichols	Rodney B. Marchand	Thomas S. Kozel
David I. Aldrich	James B. Seitz	Samuel E. Aldrich
Fred Shackleton	George E. Nydam	Edward C. Rock
William S. Evans, Jr.	Alanson J. Varney	Henry J. Poirier
Donald R. Keniston	Vincent J. Rodwill	George N. O. Poirier
Edward L. Orff, Sr.	John A. Saucier	Richard D. Stockwell
Mrs. Dorothy R. Bishop	Ralph E. Chambers	Stewart A. Whitney (full time)
Mrs. Mary A. E. Aldrich	Ernest B. Porter	Sidney C. Daubney
James J. Gallagher	Alfred H. Aldrich	John E. Kinney
Harold F. Francis	Alfred H. Nichols	
Daniel H. Bates	Richard P. Pond	

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS

Raymond Curtis of Uxbridge and Lawrence Paul Hannon, Upton State Forest; Herbert H. Cutler, Memorial School property; Amos B. Johnson, Town Dump; William M. McClure Jr. and Richard Brown, Veterans of Foreign Wars home and grounds; Lloyd C. Hill; Vincent A. Jonis, Lake Wildwood area; Robert J. Bailey; Laurie R. Thompson, Sr., Kiwanis Beach area; Wilfred E. Hare, North Pond area.

AUXILIARY POLICE

Vincent A. Jonis	Edwin V. Hatstat
Lloyd A. MacKenna, Jr. (deceased)	Richard A. Nelson
Fred M. Hebb	Robert A. Lambert
Henry T. Hebb	Gerald J. Lavergne
Joseph A. Deering	John E. Kinney,
James C. Usher	(subsequently appointed police officer)
Donald L. Cote	George A. Dean
Wilfred Fowler	Robert T. Coffin
James E. Byron	Robert B. Paine, Jr.
Robert Robertson	George A. Moir
James C. Crosby	

DOG OFFICER

Stewart A. Whitney

CUSTODIAN OF TOWN HALL

John J. Fitch

FENCE VIEWERS

William H. Tobey, Jr.	H. Daniel Fay
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PUBLIC WEIGHERS

George N. O. Poirier	Henry J. Poirier, Jr.
Henry J. Poirier	Mrs. Jane A. Richard
Mrs. Shirley E. Kirby	Mrs. Elizabeth E. Nichols

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

MEASURERS OF LUMBER

Frederick W. Fiske	Richard E. Varney
	Robert A. Page

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Rodney B. Marchand

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Jonas E. Carter, Chairman	term expires 1971
William C. Young, Clerk	term expires 1970
John E. Craib	term expires 1972
Alanson J. Varney	term expires 1972
Norman E. Walker	term expires 1972

Vincent A. Jonis term expires 1971
Robert A. Lambert term expires 1971
Howard F. Heald (resigned) term expires 1970
James A. Smith, Jr. (to fill vacancy) term expires 1970
Louis R. Gregory (resigned) term expires 1970
Mrs. Cynthia T. Robertson (to fill vacancy) term expires 1970

ZONING APPEAL BOARD

Arthur M. Bartlett, Chairman term expires 1972
Forrest P. Salisbury term expires 1970
Russell W. Wood (deceased) term expires 1971
Robert M. Stuart (to fill vacancy) term expires 1971

ASSOCIATE MEMBER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Donald A. Wellman term expires 1970
Bruno Ragaini term expires 1972
David G. Clark (to fill vacancy by appointment
of Robert M. Stuart to Zoning Appeal Board) term expires 1971

CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Paul V. Swanson, Chairman term expires 1971
Lawrence P. Hannon term expires 1971
Philip B. Stanton term expires 1970
Richard F. Scholl (moved from state) term expires 1970
John Tumolo, Jr. (to fill vacancy) term expires 1970
George E. Shepard term expires 1972
Mrs. Janet W. Cooper term expires 1972
Mrs. Marjorie I. McLaughlin, Clerk term expires 1972

DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' GRAVES

Charles E. Aldrich

INSPECTOR OF WIRING

Samuel F. Mitchell

GAS AND OIL BURNER INSPECTOR

Thomas L. Francis

**SUPERINTENDENT
TO SUPPRESS GYPSY MOTH**

(Term expires in 1972)
Donald R. Keniston

FOREST FIRE WARDEN
Walter J. Stank

STATE COMMUNITY SERVICE WELFARE BOARD
Richard L. Randall

DIRECTOR, CIVIL DEFENSE
George W. Grebenstein

CIVIL DEFENSE COUNCIL

Edward L Prentiss Edward Kuczinski
Henry J. Poirier Dr. Bernard F. McKernan

TOWN COMMUNICATION OFFICER
Robert J. Prentiss

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
(Term expires 1972)
Arthur M. Bartlett

FIRE ENGINEERS
Walter J. Stank, Chief
Thomas L. Francis, Deputy Chief
William A. Prentiss, Deputy Chief and Clerk

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS
Mrs. Alice Gertrude Cooley (D), Chairman term expires 1971
George P. Kennedy (R) term expires 1970
William R. Ethier (D) term expires 1972
George G. Newton (R) ex-officio, clerk term expires 1971

HISTORICAL COMMISSION
Chester W. Walker, Chairman term expires 1970
Ernest W. Ramsey term expires 1972
H. Daniel Fay term expires 1971

COUNCIL FOR AGING

David C. Jacobs, Chairman term expires 1970
 Mrs. Marion M. Jacobs term expires 1972
 Mrs. Goldie I. Nydam term expires 1971

APPOINTED BY BOARD OF HEALTH

BOARD CLERK

Mrs. Dorothy J. Bradley, clerk & office manager

PLUMBING INSPECTOR

George M. Carlson term expires March 31, 1971

ASSISTANT PLUMBING INSPECTOR

Walter A. Hopkins term expires March 31, 1971

AGENT

Thomas L. Francis term expires 1970

ASSISTANT AGENT

George M. Carlson term expires 1970

BURIAL AGENT

George G. Newton term expires 1970

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Mrs. Esther K. Bird

MILK INSPECTOR

Arthur F. Bartlett, Jr. term expires 1970

HEALTH BOARD PHYSICIAN

Dr. Christian W. Aussenheimer term expires March 1970

HEALTH BOARD NURSE

Mrs. Marjorie R. Wilcock, R. N. term expires March 1970

APPOINTED BY SEWER-WATER COMMISSION

SUPERINTENDENT

Henry J. Poirier term expires 1970

SECRETARY-CLERK

Mrs. Elinor A. Perkins term expires 1970

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

January 11, 1969

Worcester,ss

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

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 Saturday, the Eleventh day of January, 1969, punctually, at two-thirty (2:30) o'clock P.M. for the following purposes:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to amend Chapter IX of Town By-laws by adding thereto the following sections, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

"Section 6. There shall be the levy of special assessment to meet Sixty (60%) per centum of the cost hereafter incurred of laying sewer pipes and facilities in public and private ways for the collection and conveyance of sewage from any part of the Town.

Section 7. The provisions of Section 2 through Section 4 of this chapter with reference to the basis for certification and assessment of proportionate costs for extending water supply shall apply to the installation of any extension of the town sewage pipes and facilities.

Section 8. It shall be the duty of the Sewer Commissioners to execute the provisions of Section 6 and 7 in accordance with Chapter 80 and 83 of the General Laws."

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and/or the Water-Sewer Commissioners to apply to the Massachusetts Division of Water Pollution Control for an advance on the state grant for preparation of final plans and specifications for the Upton Water Pollution Control Program and to apply for and accept any and all State, Federal, or private grants which might or may be available in connection with said Water Pollution Control program, and to accept any State monies advanced for construction purposes in anticipation of any Federal or private grant, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Six Hundred and Forty Thousand (\$640,000) Dollars for the construction of a sewage system and sewage treatment and disposal

facilities and to determine whether such appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, 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 Second day of January in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine.

ERNEST B. PORTER
HAROLD F. FRANCIS
JAMES J. GALLAGHER
Selectmen of Upton

Upton, Massachusetts

January 3, 1969

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, January 11, 1969 at 2:30 o'clock P.M. for the purposes within mentioned by posting attested copies of the said Warrant in each of the Post Offices, and on the Town Hall at least seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

(sig) RUDOLPH J. SCHOLL
Constable of the Town of Upton

PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

January 11, 1969

(Registrars of Voters conducted a 10-hour session, January 8, 1969 — three days preceding the meeting in accordance with a new law. Two persons registered.)

Moderator G. W. Burnham called the meeting to order and declared a quorum (20) in attendance. Mrs. Rose E. Davis (R) and Mrs. Rita C. Cutler (D) checked voting list at main entrance to the hall. They reported 155 names checked at close of meeting.

Chairman of Selectman Ernest B. Porter requested that Messrs. Hoyle and Tanner of the firm of Alonzo B. Reed, Inc., sanitary engineers, and Town Counsel Jacob Oppewal be privileged to be seated on the main floor. No dissent voiced.

Moderator Burnham stated if there was no objection, reading of the articles would be waived at this time as they would subsequently be taken up separately for action. No objection. The call of the meeting and constable's return of posting of the Warrant were read.

COMMITTEE TO STUDY BETTERMENT TAX ASSESSMENT ON SEWAGE INSTALLATION

Article 1. After nearly 1½-hour discussion, it was voted to authorize Moderator Burnham to appoint a study committee to amend town by-laws for a special assessment of laying of sewer pipes.

Appointed were Henry J. Poirier, Pleasant Street; James B. Seitz, Old Grafton Road, and Clarence R. Phipps, Pleasant Street. The report to be made not later than the annual Town Meeting.

After reading of Article 1, Chairman of Selectmen Porter stated that for the purpose of getting the question before the voters for discussion he moved "that the Town vote to amend Chapter 1X of the Town By-laws by adding thereto the following sections:

"Section 6. There shall be the levy of special assessment to meet sixty (60%) per centum of the cost hereafter incurred of laying sewer pipes and facilities in public and private ways for the collection and conveyance of sewage from any part of the town."

"Section 7. The provisions of Section 2 through Section 4 of this Chapter with reference to the basis for certification and assessment of proportionate costs for extending water supply shall apply to the installation of any extension of the Town sewage pipes and facilities."

"Section 8. It shall be the duty of the Sewer Commissioners to execute the provisions of Section 6 and 7 in accordance with Chapter 80 and 83 of the General Laws."

Motion was seconded.

Alanson J. Varney, chairman of the Town's Finance Committee, stated the said committee did not approve of the motion as written because of lack of information but that the committee did approve of a substitute motion which the Selectmen would subsequently present.

At 3:50 P.M., it was "Voted: on motion to amend by Selectman James J. Gallagher, seconded, 'that Article 1 be referred to a Study Committee of three to be appointed by the Town Moderator, and that this Committee report back not later than the Annual Town Meeting.'" Moderator declared unanimous vote in favor of the amended motion.

In his opening remarks on the original motion, Selectman Porter said "The State has us with our backs to the wall because of new legislation on pollution control. The Selectmen have been directed to submit final plans for a new treatment plant by next September."

In a brochure distributed to voters as they entered the hall it stated concerning sewage at this time: (1) The State has ordered us to submit final plans for a new treatment plant by September 1969; (2) several areas of town are finding satisfactory septic tank systems difficult or impossible to maintain; (3) town planning anticipates major development activity in the next two decades; if the system is available these can have sewers 'built in' at no cost to the town; (4) major grants-in-aids are available now to help finance a basic system capable of sewerage the town." The brochure described proposed sewerage (Stage 1 construction).

During the discussion, Ernest W. Ramsey of the Planning Board inquired if the state's main concern was pollution of the West River and the need of a new treatment plant off Maple Avenue. Selectman Porter replied in the affirmative.

H. Douglas Hoyle of the sanitary engineering firm replying to an inquiry said a new treatment plant to handle only the present sewage would cost approximately \$200,000 but the town would receive no reimbursement from the State or Federal Governments unless the proposed system was installed.

Thomas L. Francis, chairman of the Sewer-Water Commission, said there were presently 73 customers, each paying \$20 a year, for the sewer system service now in operation. He explained the customers all reside in the West Upton section. (The sewer system was originally installed by the former William Knowlton & Sons, women hat manufacturers, located in that part of the town.)

Estimated 1970 project costs assuming the town did not receive street sewer grants would be \$638,490 to the town, the brochure set forth. It also noted the town would probably receive a \$47,470 grant from Housing and Urban Development which would allow some of the street sewers be deferred to the 1970 program. The tax rate increase would be \$4.27, Mr. Porter estimated.

Mrs. Janet Caton and others asked if the town by having a new treatment plant would meet the state's requirements without installing the proposed system. Officials informed questioners on this subject that no state or federal grant could be expected for a new treatment plant only.

Henry J. Poirier, superintendent of the town's sewer-water system, said the swimming pool at the West Hill Dam project was the major cause of the West River pollution complaint by the state.

However, in his opinion, Mr. Poirier said the pollution was from sources other than the town's sewage system.

John E. Craib of the Finance Committee asserted that in his opinion Center Brook adds to the West River pollution.

Clarence A. Phipps inquired what the state was doing about reported salt from a salt pile on Department of Public Works Depot property polluting the West River.

George N. O. Poirier said several years ago state authorities advised the sewer treatment plant was inadequate. However, subsequent approval was given by the state to connect Memorial Elementary School, Main Street, and Blackstone Valley Regional Technical Vocational High School to the system.

Selectman Porter read a letter from the state that unless conditions were improved no permit would be granted to connect the sewage of the Home for Elderly Persons (Hartford Avenue) now under construction.

John J. Fitch, chairman of Upton Housing Authority, informed the voters a permit to connect the elderly persons' units to the present town sewage system was granted before construction started.

Thomas M. Piercy asked if in addition to a betterment tax levied on real estate fronting the proposed sewer line if there would be an increase in property assessment. Assessor William S. Evans, Jr. replied he did not know at this time how much would be the increase, if any. He added that when the water mains were laid, property valuation was increased.

Town Counsel Jacob Oppewal replying to an inquiry said that the new legislation makes it criminal to cause pollution. He said he believed that a new sewer system was inevitable, whether built by the town or by state. Before his remarks, it had been voiced that if the town did not build a new sewer system, the state could direct the same and order the assessors to assess the payment. There were voters who stated in their opinion, "the individual runs the state; that the state does not run the individual."

Other speakers during the discussions of Article 1 and 3 included Mrs. Robert Philbrook, George W. Grebenstein, Kenneth L. Lent, James B. Seitz, Daniel J. Fitzpatrick, Norman E. Walker, Harvey J. Trask, Bradford N. Mettey, Mrs. Ada W. White, Paul V. Swanson, Donald R. Keniston, Robert F. Earl, Robert A. Griffin and William C. Young.

AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY FOR GRANTS FOR WATER POLLUTION CONTROL

Article 2. Voted: on motion of Selectman Harold F. Francis, seconded by Selectman, James J. Gallagher, "to authorize the Selectmen and the Water-Sewer Commissioners to apply to the Massachusetts Division of Water Pollution Control for an advance on the State grant for preparation of final plans and specifications for the Upton Water Pollution Control Program and to apply for and accept any and all State, Federal, or private grants which might or may be available in connection with said water pollution control program, and to accept any State monies advanced for construction purposes in anticipation of any federal or private grant." Moderator declared favorable vote on motion. (3:55 P.M.) Only one dissenting vote.

Before vote on motion, Chairman Varney stated the Finance Committee recommended favorable action.

TABLE ACTION ON APPROPRIATION FOR SEWAGE SYSTEM AND SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT

Article 3. Voted: on motion by Thomas E. Corliss, seconded, to lay on the table to the Annual Town Meeting in March. Standing vote: Count made by Police Officers Aldrich and Rodwill. Yes (in favor) - 100; No - 39.

Previous to Mr. Corliss's motion, Selectman Gallagher moved, seconded, "that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of Six Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars (\$640,000) for the construction of a sewage system and sewage treatment and disposal facilities and to meet said appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow \$640,000 under General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 8 (15), said funds to be used in conjunction with any State and Federal grants available for said project."

Chairman Varney of the Finance Committee said the committee recommended favorable action on the motion as with State and/or Federal grants it was considered a bargain at this time. He said that according to pollution control laws enacted last year, the state could install a sewer system and the town pay the bill.

Town Counsel Oppewal spoke about the legislation pertaining to polluting of West River and other streams.

Mr. Piercy spoke.

The Corliss motion to lay on the table to the next annual town meeting in March was then offered and voted.

Selectman Gallagher then motioned to dissolve the Warrant, seconded, So voted.

GEORGE G. NEWTON
Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN WARRANT

March 3 and 8, 1969

Worcester,ss

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

GREETINGS:

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 Third day of March, 1969, punctually at Seven (7) o'clock A.M. to cast their vote for the following officers:

Article 1. To choose necessary officers for the coming year: Moderator, Tree Warden and Road Commissioner, each for one year; one Selectman, one Collector of Taxes and Town Collector, one Assessor of Taxes, one member of Sewer and Water Commission, one member of Cemetery Commission, one member of Park Commission, three Trustees of Public Library, one member of Mendon- Upton Regional School District Committee, one member of Board of Health, each for three years; one member of Planning Board and one member of Upton Housing Authority, each for five years.

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

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

The remaining articles in the Warrant to be acted upon at adjourned meeting of the voters in Town Hall, Saturday afternoon, March 8 at Two (2) o'clock.

Article 2. To hear reports of all town officers or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 3. To hear the reports of any committee appointed by the Town, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers to the Town provided by Section 108, Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended: Moderator, Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Collector of Taxes, Assessors of Taxes, Cemetery Commission, Constables, Trustees of Public Library, Park Commission, Tree Warden, Road Commissioner, Sewer-Water Commission, Housing Authority, Planning Board and Board of Health, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray expenses of town departments for the ensuing year, or take **any** action pertaining thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the financial year beginning January 1, 1970, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-Nine Dollars and Twenty-Three Cents (\$3,469.23), in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 32, Section 22, General Laws, for Pension Fund, Expense Fund, Military Service Fund, and Workmen's Compensation Fund of the Worcester County Retirement System.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money under provisions of Chapter III, Section 85, of the General Laws, as an estimated amount for the Town's Assessment for the Care and Treatment of persons suffering from tuberculosis, and for the care, maintenance, and repairs of the Worcester County Sanitorium.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) from the Cemetery, Sale of Lots Account, to the Oiling and Grading Account, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000) to be added to the Conservation Fund set up under Article 24 of the annual Town Meeting on March 12, 1966, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-eight Dollars (\$48) to reimburse the Tree Warden for supervisory work done during the year 1968.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$2450) for the purchase of a new police cruiser, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) for the purchase of four 500 Watt Lights for the emergency generator maintained by the Fire Department, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred and Ninety Dollars (\$190) to be added to the Damage To Persons and Property Account to settle an unpaid claim in 1968, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Six Dollars and Sixty-six Cents (\$406.66) to be placed in the 1968 Interest Account, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Six Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$4,650) for Chapter 81 Highway Work to be used in conjunction with any money allotted by the State for this purpose, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Eight Hundred Dollars (\$3,800) for Chapter 90 Maintenance Highway Work to be used in conjunction with any money allotted by the State or County, or both, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$5,500) for Chapter 90 Highway Construction Work on Fiske Road, to be used in conjunction with any money allotted by the State or County, or both, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000) to be added to the \$2,300 appropriation under Article 26 of the 1968 Annual Town Meeting to widen and improve Maple Avenue at Main Street in West Upton, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) to be used for repairs of Cider Mill Lane, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500) to renew a culvert on Pond Street in conjunction with the Town of Milford, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty Dollars (\$40) to be added to the Street Light Account for the purpose of installing two 1000 Lumen Street Lights on Pole 48X at the intersection of South Street and Shore Drive and Pole No. 43, corner of South Street and Chestnut Street, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Dollars (\$20) to be added to the Street Light Account for the purpose of installing a 1000 Lumen Street Light on Pole No. 49 on the Westboro Road near the Hebert property, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty Dollars (\$20) to be added to the Street Light Account for the purpose of installing a 1000 Lumen Street Light on Pole No. 4 on Old Warren Road near the Herbert property, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Forty Dollars (\$140) to be added to the Street Light Account for the purpose of installing or replacing the present street lights with 3500 multi-mercury lights on Main Street, on Poles Number 10, 13, 15, 17 and 18, from School Street to Upton Common, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000) to paint the trim on the Town Hall, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Eleven Dollars (\$211) for the purchase of an insulated file to house the property valuation cards in the Assessors' office, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Six Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars (\$640,000) for the construction of a sewage system and sewage treatment and disposal facilities and to determine whether such appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-Seven Hundred Fifty-Six Dollars and Thirty-Six Cents (\$4,756.36) due Alonzo J. Reed, Inc. for field surveys, laying base lines and plotting maps in relation to final plans for Town Sewage, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available unappropriated funds in the town treasury, the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000) to the Stablization Fund, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available unappropriated funds in the town treasury, the sum of Seventy-Five Hundred Dollar (\$7,500) to the Reserve Fund, or take any action 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 before the time of holding said meeting: — at each of the Post Offices and on the Town House in said Town.

of Upton herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall on Monday, the Third day of March, 1969, for the election of certain officials as stated in Article 1 of the said Warrant, and for the Adjourned Meeting on the Eighth Day of March, 1969, to act upon the remaining articles in said Warrant, by posting attested copies of the within Warrant in each of the Post Offices and on the Town House, seven days at least before the meeting aforesaid.

RODNEY M. MARCHAND
Constable of the Town of Upton

PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

March 3, 1969

Warden Robert K. Sweet (R) called the meeting to order at 7 A.M., the designated hour in the Warrant.

Despite a snow storm, fanned by high winds, election officials reported on time.

After Mrs. Shirley E. Kirby (D), deputy election clerk, read Article 1 and notice of adjourned meeting, Saturday, March 8, 1969 at 2 P.M., Chairman of Selectmen Ernest B. Porter motioned, duly seconded, to waive the reading of the remaining articles as they would be acted on separately at Saturday's meeting. Voted without dissenting voice. Mrs. Kirby then read remainder of the Warrant and Constable's return of posting.

Two boxes purported to contain a total of 2000 ballots were turned over by the Town Clerk to Warden Sweet. The Ballots were then delivered to the ballot clerks at the check-in table.

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 eighteenth day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine.

ERNEST B. PORTER
HAROLD F. FRANCIS
JAMES J. GALLAGHER
Selectmen of Upton

Upton, Massachusetts.

February 20, 1969

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 Monday, the Third day of March, 1969, for the election of certain officials as stated in Article 1 of the said Warrant, and for the Adjourned Meeting on the Eighth Day of March, 1969, to act upon the remaining articles in said Warrant, by posting attested copies of the within Warrant in each of the Post Offices and on the Town House, seven days at least before the meeting aforesaid.

RODNEY M. MARCHAND
Constable of the Town of Upton

Mrs. Rita C. Cutler (D) and George W. Grebenstein (R) were on duty at the check-in table; Mrs. Rose E. Davis (R) and Mrs. Claire E. Praskiewicz (D) at the check-out table at ballot box. Mrs. Kirby was in charge of ballot box.

Samuel E. Aldrich was the first voter; Mrs. Helen J. Porter, first woman voter.

It snowed throughout the day until late afternoon. School buses transported pupils to their respective school building in the morning but a short time later returned them to their homes when school authorities declared "no session" because of intensity of the storm.

Hourly reading of ballot box indicator: 8 A.M., 49 ballots; 9 A.M., 89; 10 A.M., 137; 11 A.M., 197; 12 Noon, 249; 1 P.M. 309; 2 P.M., 364; 3 P.M., 415; 4 P.M., 501; 5 P.M., 621; 6 P.M., 762; 7 P.M. 900 and 8 P.M., 1016, approximately 60 per cent of registered voters. Included were three Absent Voter ballots. One A.V. ballot was rejected because of incomplete jurat. Said sealed envelope was returned to Town Clerk and placed in container with used ballots. Processing of the A.V. ballots (first time available for a town election in Upton) conducted by Mrs. Kirby and Mrs. Cutler, Democrats; Warden Sweet and Town Clerk, Republicans.

Tellers reporting at 8 P.M. were Mrs. Helen I. Donham, Mrs. Ada W. White, Mrs. Marjorie I. McLaughlin and Mrs. Muriel J. Mitchell, Republicans; Mrs. Helen T. Jonis, Mrs. Ethel M. Dias, Mrs. Theresa Y. Martin and Mrs. Mary V. Powers, Democrats.

Edward J. Furphy (D) and Mrs. Celestine I. Mason (R) tabulated.

Town Clerk Newton read the result of the balloting at 10.25 P.M.

For MODERATOR, (for one year)

Vote for ONE

George W. Burnham

Candidate for Re-election, Mendon Street

855

Blanks

161

1016

For SELECTMAN, (for three years)

Vote for ONE

Ernest B. Porter

Candidate for Re-election, School Street

620

James H. Smith, Maple Street

388

Blanks

8

1016

For COLLECTOR OF TAXES AND
TOWN COLLECTOR (for three years)

Vote for ONE

Clement J. Lambert	
Candidate for Re-election, Farm Street	808
Blanks	208
	1016

For ASSESSOR OF TAXES, (for three years)

Vote for ONE

William S. Evans, Jr.	
Candidate for Re-election, Main Street	825
Blanks	191
	1016

For SEWER AND WATER COMMISSIONER,
(for three years)

Vote for ONE

George E. Nydam, Main Street	618
Arthur J. Southland, High Street	348
Blanks	50
	1016

For CEMETERY COMMISSION,(for three years)

Vote for ONE

William H. Sadler	
Candidate for Re-election, Williams Street	867
Blanks	149
	1016

For PARK COMMISSION,(for three years)

Vote for ONE

Arthur K. McCarty	
Candidate for Re-election, Hartford Avenue	828
Blanks	188
	1016

For TREE WARDEN,(for one year)

Vote for ONE

Donald R. Keniston	
Candidate for Re-election, Pleasant Street	877
Blanks	139
	1016

For ROAD COMMISSIONER, (for one year)

Vote for ONE

Henry J. Poirier	
Candidate for Re-election, Pleasant Street	855
Blanks	161
	<u>1016</u>

For TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, (for three years)

Vote for THREE

Chester W. Walker	
Candidate for Re-election, Williams Street	828
David C. Jacobs, Taft Street	716
Susan B. Scribner, Fowler Street	717
Blanks	787
	<u>3048</u>

For MENDON-UPTON REGIONAL SCHOOL
DISTRICT COMMITTEE (for three years)

Vote for ONE

Richard G. Howarth, North Street	511
John Robertson, Jr., Mechanic Street	403
Blanks	102
	<u>1016</u>

For BOARD OF HEALTH, (for three years)

Vote for ONE

Robert F. Ramsey, Elm Street	518
Vincent J. Rodwill, Hartford Avenue	449
Blanks	49
	<u>1016</u>

For PLANNING BOARD, (for five years)

Vote for ONE

Paul V. Swanson	
Candidate for Re-election, Main Street	502
David G. Clark, Station Street	467
Blanks	47
	<u>1016</u>

For UPTON HOUSING AUTHORITY,(for five years)

Vote for ONE

John J. Fitch	
Candidate for Re-election, Depot Street	869
Blanks	147
	<u>1016</u>

Used and unused ballots were sealed in separate containers and placed in a cabinet, then locked, in town vault.

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON
Town Clerk

**PROCEEDINGS OF
ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

March 8, 1969

Moderator George W. Burnham called the meeting to order at 2 P.M. as designated in the Warrant. There was more than a quorum (20) of voters present. Mrs. Rose E. Davis (R) and Mrs. Rita C. Cutler (D) checked 213 names on voting list during meeting as they entered the main hall.

Moderator requested permission for Town Counsel Jacob Oppewal and representatives of Alonzo J. Reed, Inc., engineers which has made a survey for a proposed sewerage system in Upton, to be seated with the assembly on main floor. No objection voiced.

Town Clerk Newton requested a standing silent tribute in memory of the late Kenneth L. Sharp, superintendent of Mendon-Upton Schools for nine years who died unexpectedly February 4, 1969 at his Wrentham home; late Russell W. Wood, member of the Board of Appeals, and late Raymond F. Lyford, first member of the Upton Housing Authority to be appointed by the State and former burial agent of deceased servicemen and women.

Moderator stated Article 1 calling for election of certain town officers had taken place March 3, 1969.

ACCEPT TOWN REPORT

Article 2. Voted on motion of Chairman of Selectmen Ernest B. Porter, seconded, to accept the 1968 Town Report. Moderator declared vote unanimous.

**REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON
BETTERMENT FOR PROPOSED**

Article 3. Henry J. Poirier, chairman of special committee authorized at Special Town Meeting, January 11, 1969, to study Betterment Tax Assessment on sewage installation, read a written report. Other members of the special committee appointed by Moderator with Mr. Poirier: James R. Seitz and Clarence R. Phipps.

The report: "Report of Committee on Betterment for Proposed Sewage System

"The Committee held three meetings - Feb. 4th, March 5th and March 8th, 1969. We contacted other towns to see if they used a form of Betterment.

"1-Milford:

"We cannot compare Milford to Upton since Milford has a large existing system to which they add as necessary.

2-Hopedale:

This town includes sidewalks, water and sewer in a 'Front-Foot Evaluation with three different rates, depending on how many of the three utilities pass property lines.

3-Pepperell, Mass.

Pepperell recently received their study grant and to date have not set up any form of Betterment and do not know how they are going to proceed.

4-Shrewsbury

Shrewsbury assesses total cost against each lot. Approximate cost for a 150-foot lot is \$1000 for street lines. This does not include house connections.

5-Northbridge

Northbridge originally assessed 75% Betterment on actual frontage, but have recently had to change to a footage limit. There are no annual sewage charges.

The Committee agreed that some form of Betterment should be charged against property where sewage lines pass property lines.

Recommendation:

For all stages shown on Sewage Layout for Upton, we recommend a Betterment of 60% of the cost for laying sewage lines with 100 feet minimum and 100 foot minimum assessed against each individual lot. In the case of larger lots, if and when they are sub-divided, each lot then to be charged Betterment at 60% of the cost at the time sewage lines were laid, based on 100 foot frontage.

Alternative:

No Betterment with each taxpayer sharing costs equally through general taxation. Sewage rates to be determined by members of Water and Sewer Department.

Where easements or right-of-ways are required, a special formula will have to be set up to protect the owner of the property involved.

The Betterment recommendation does not include Sewer use rates.

Comments:

The 100-foot frontage figure was arrived at to correspond to our Zoning Laws.

Respectfully submitted
 HENRY J. POIRIER, SR.
 JAMES R. SEITZ
 CLARENCE R. PHIPPS

Voted: on motion of Samuel Nahra, Jr., seconded by Alanson J. Varney, to accept the committee's report of study made.

**ESTABLISH SALARIES AND/OR COMPENSATION
 OF CERTAIN TOWN OFFICERS**

Article 4. After the article was read Moderator Burnham stated he would read the Finance Committee's printed recommendations of proposed salaries and/or compensation of certain town officers for 1969. He said if there was a desire of a voter to speak on an item to request "Hold" and the said item would be considered after the complete list was read. There was no objection voiced to the Moderator's announcement.

On motion of Selectman James J. Gallagher, seconded by Selectman Harold F. Francis, that salaries and/or compensation recommended by the Finance Committee be established except those deferred for further consideration. So voted.

Moderator	\$ 50.00
Selectmen	
Chairman	\$350.00
Member	325.00
Member	<u>325.00</u>
	1000.00
Treasurer	1650.00
(a) Town Clerk (plus fees)	1000.00
(b) Tax Collector (Town Collector)	1900.00
Assessors	
Chairman	700.00
Member	700.00
Member	<u>700.00</u>
	2100.00

(c) Board of Health	
Chairman	150.00
Member	150.00
Member	<u>150.00</u>
	450.00

(d) Water and Sewer Commission	
Chairman	200.00
Member	100.00
Member	<u>100.00</u>
	400.00

Cemetery Commission	
Treasurer	140.00
Member	30.00
Member	<u>30.00</u>
	200.00

Tree Warden	\$2.00 per hour
Road Commissioner with transportation	3.50 per hour

(a) Item 6. Town Clerk — Alanson J. Varney, chairman of Finance Committee, stated it was a typographical mistake in the committee's printed report that the Town Clerk "requested" an increase. However, he said the committee recommended \$1000 (\$900 in 1968), an increase of \$100. Town Clerk Newton opposed the increase recommended. Establishing salary at \$1000 (plus fees as stated in report) was voted with one dissenting voice, that by the Town Clerk.

(b) Item 7. Tax Collector — Tax Collector Clement J. Lambert requested \$1900 for 1969 salary (\$1650 recommended by Finance Committee, same as in 1968). He referred to the monies collected now in addition to personal and real estate, including water, sewer, motor vehicle and cemetery accounts. Also that he had not received an increase in salary within the past few years.

Samuel Nahra, Jr. motioned the salary be established at \$1900, seconded by Mrs. Ada W. White. Standing vote directed by Moderator with Officers Alfred H. Aldrich and Alfred H. Nichols taking count. Result reported to Moderator: Yes — 97, No — 48.

(c) Items 11, 12, 13. Board of Health — Voted: on motion of Samuel Nahra Jr. duly seconded, to establish the salaries of the three members of the Board of Health at \$150, increase of \$50 each. Finance Committee recommended \$100 each, same as 1968. Standing vote directed by Moderator. Officers Aldrich and Nichols made count and reported: Yes — 71 (for increase); No — 66.

(d) Items 14, 15, 16. Sewer-Water Commission – A motion by Samuel Nahra, Jr. duly seconded to establish salaries of Water-Sewer Commission as follow: Chairman \$250, \$200 for each of other two members, was declared lost on voice vote. Then voted to establish the salaries at \$200 for chairman, \$100 each for other two members, as recommended by Finance Committee. (In 1968, salaries, \$200, chairman, \$75 each, other two members).

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS

Article 5. Moderator Burnham stated if there was no objection, each item of the Finance Committee's report under this article would be considered separately. If a voter desired to be heard on an item to request "Hold" when read. There was no objection to this procedure, in effect for several years.

After all items in "General Budget" were read, Samuel Nahra, Jr. moved that the town raise and appropriate monies for each item as recommended by the Finance Committee which had not been requested, "Hold." Motion seconded.

Voted to be raised and appropriated:

Moderator, salary	\$50.00
Selectmen:	
Salaries	\$1,000.00
Clerk-salary	400.00
Expenses	<u>250.00</u>
	1,650.00
Accountant:	
Salary	1,650.00
Expenses	<u>650.00</u>
	2,300.00
Treasurer:	
Salary	1,650.00
Expenses	1,000.00
Tax Title Foreclosure	<u>500.00</u>
	3,150.00
Tax Collector	
Salary	1,900.00
Expenses	<u>900.00</u>
	2,800.00

Assessors:		
Salaries	2,100.00	
(a) Clerk-Salary	1,200.00	
Expenses	900.00	
		4,200.00
Registrars of Voters:		
(b) Clerk	100.00	
Member	50.00	
Member	50.00	
Member	50.00	
Expenses	500.00	
		750.00
Town Clerk:		
Salary	\$1,000.00	
Expenses	500.00	
		\$1,500
Town Counsel:		
Retainer	50.00	
Expenses	750.00	
		800.00
Elections and Town Meetings: Expenses		600.00
Bonding Town Officers		528.00
Town Hall:		
Janitor-salary	1,200.00	
Expenses	5,500.00	
		6,700.00
Planning Board:		
Expenses	580.00	
Massachusetts Regional Planning	265.00	
		845.00
Finance Committee:		
Clerk-salary	100.00	
Expenses	125.00	
		225.00
Building Inspector:		
Salary	150.00	
Expenses	150.00	
		300.00

Radio Maintenance, Expenses	600.00
Appeal Board, Expenses	50.00
Police Department:	
Chief, salary	7,200.00
Officer, salary	6,600.00
Patrolman, salary	6,000.00
Expenses	10,500.00
Clothing allowance	<u>225.00</u>
	30,525.00
Fire Department:	
Chief, salary	250.00
Engineer, salary	200.00
Engineer, salary	200.00
Captain, salary	125.00
Lieutenant, salary	125.00
Firemen's salaries	2,300.00
Gas-Oil Inspector	50.00
Fire Alarm Maintenance	750.00
New Hose	500.00
Expenses	2,700.00
Extraordinary Expense	600.00
Ambulance Maintenance	<u>1,300.00</u>
	9,100.00
Forest Fire Department:	
Expenses	1,200.00
New Hose	<u>300.00</u>
	1,500.00
Wiring Inspector, Salary	150.00
Tree Warden:	
Dutch Elm and Pest Control	1,900.00
Expenses	<u>1,500.00</u>
	3,400.00
Board of Health:	
Salaries	450.00
Clerk-salary	880.00
Expenses	1,302.00

(c)Nursing Service, salaries	9,598.00
(c)Nursing Service, expense	3,209.00
Agent	250.00
Milk Inspector	50.00
Animal Inspector	125.00
Plumbing Inspector	250.00
Town Dump,Maintenance	1,300.00
Town Dump,Custodian	2,413.00
Town Dump,Rental	800.00
Care of Patients	10.00
Premature Births	10.00
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	20,247.00

Dog Officer:	
Salary	200.00
Expenses	<u>500.00</u>
	700.00

Highways:	
General Highways	5,000.00
Bridges-Guardrails	1,000.00
Sidewalks	1,000.00
(d)Snow Removal	25,000.00
Signs-Safety Markings	1,000.00
Highway Resurfacing	<u>10,000.00</u>
	43,000.00

Veterans' Benefits:	
Veterans' Officer, salary	750.00
(e) Expenses	600.00
Veterans' Benefits	<u>22,000.00</u>
	23,350.00

Water and Sewer Commission:	
Salaries	400.00
Clerk-salary	650.00
Expenses	200.00
Water and Sewer Maintenance	9,355.00
Superintendent-salary	1,250.00
Extraordinary Expense	130.00
Water Main Extension	<u>4,000.00</u>
	15,985.00

Cemetery Commission:

Salaries	200.00
General Maintenance	4,700.00
Machinery	<u>225.00</u>
	5,125.00

Mendon-Upton Regional Schools:

(f) Operating Expenses - (Appropriated, \$514,132; by taxation, \$513,436.42 plus 1968 Dog Tax Refund, \$495.58 and interest, Charlotte Batchelor School Trust Fund, \$200 toward school salaries	513,436.42
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Capital Assessment, by taxation	28,488.00
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Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational School

Operating Expenses	14,911.00
Capital Assessment	<u>4,565.00</u>
	19,476.00

Library:

Salary	1,500.00
Expenses	<u>300.00</u>
	\$1,800.00

Parks Commission:

Parks and Athletic Fields	400.00
Summer Recreation Program	500.00
Summer Playground Program	1,500.00
Summer Youth Program	360.00
Expenses(Tennis Court Fence)	<u>850.00</u>
	3,610.00

Unclassified:

Printing	2,850.00
Civil Defense	400.00
Damage to Persons and Property	10.00
Demolition of Building	10.00
Insurance	8,000.00
Housing Authority	10.00
Memorial Day	450.00
Hydrant Rental	5,925.00

Historical Commission	100.00
Street Lights	7,800.00
Maintenance of Town Lawns	<u>775.00</u>
	26,330.00

Maturing Debt:

School Loan	8,000.00
Water Loan No. 2	9,000.00
Water Loan 1958	3,000.00
Elementary School Addition	<u>15,000.00</u>
	35,000.00

Interest:

School Loan	210.00
Water Loan No. 2	2,650.00
Water Loan 1958	374.00
Elementary Addition	1,307.00
Anticipated Revenue Loan	<u>10,000.00</u>
	14,541.00

GENERAL BUDGET

APPROPRIATIONS BY TAXATION \$823,211.42

(a) Item 39. Assessors-Clerk Salary. Voted: On motion of Samuel Nahra, Jr. to raise and appropriate \$1200 for assessors' clerk's salary. Assessor Nahra explained the Board desired to increase the clerk's salary to \$2 per hour, not to exceed \$1200 for the year.

(b) Item 43. Registrars of Voters-Clerk. Explanation. Town Clerk Newton, clerk-ex officio of the Registrars of Voters, explained that according to a legislative act signed June 12, 1967, a city or town clerk shall, in addition to any compensation as clerk, receive \$50 for each one thousand registered voters or major fraction thereof. (Reason for recommended increase of \$75 to \$100. Upton had more than 1500 registered voters in 1967 and 1968.) Voted: to raise and appropriate \$100 for salary of clerk, Registrars of Voters.

(c) Item 93, Nursing Service, Salaries, and Item 94, Nursing Service, Expense. Voted: On motion of Samuel Nahra, Jr., seconded by Ernest W. Ramsey, to raise and appropriate \$9598 for nursing service, salaries, and to raise and appropriate \$3,209 for nursing service, expenses. James H. Smith inquired if the Board planned to return to the Town Hall for quarters when available instead of paying rent. Alvin P. Nichols, a Board member, replied in the affirmative.

(d) Item 112, Snow Removal. Selectman Gallagher moved that \$25,000 be raised and appropriated for snow removal as recommended by the Finance Committee. So. voted. Previous to action on the motion, Selectman Gallagher explained that because of the heavy snowfall in recent weeks, approval had been given by the Selectmen in writing and notice sent to the State Director of Accounts declaring an emergency with expenditure not to exceed an additional \$25,000. This emergency act is in accordance with Chapter 44, Section 31.

(e) Item 116. Veterans' Benefits—Expenses. On motion of Samuel Nahra, Jr., Veterans' Service officer, seconded, it was voted to raise and appropriate \$600 for expenses, Veterans' Benefits Account. Mr. Nahra said he requested the \$200 increase above the Finance Committee's recommendation (\$400) because of travel investigating cases and postage. Standing vote: Yes—76; No—51. Count taken by Officers Aldrich and Nichols.

(f) Items 129 and 130. Mendon-Upton Regional School. Town Accountant Charles H. Ferris moved, seconded, to transfer the sum of \$495.58 received from 1968 Dog Tax Refund and \$200 from interest of Charlotte A. Batchelor School Trust Fund, total \$695.58 toward school salaries, making grand total for Mendon-Upton Regional School Account, by taxation, \$541,924.42. Total appropriated, Item 129, \$514,132 for operating expenses and Item 130, \$28,488.

AUTHORIZATION TO BORROW MONEY

Article 6. Voted: on motion of Selectman Harold F. Francis, seconded by Richard G. Howarth, "to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue for the financial year beginning January 1, 1970, in accordance with the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17." Moderator declared unanimous vote.

COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM ASSESSMENT

Article 7. Voted: on motion of Selectman Harold F. Francis, seconded by Town Treasurer Ashley M. Perkins, "that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand Four Hundred Sixty Nine Dollars and Twenty-three Cents (\$3469.23) in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 32, Section 22, General Laws, for Pension Fund, Expense Fund, Military Service Fund, and

Workmen's Compensation Fund of the Worcester County Retirement System."

WORCESTER COUNTY SANATORIUM ASSESSMENT

Article 8. Voted: on motion of Chairman of Selectmen Porter, seconded by Selectman Francis, "to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Six Hundred Six Dollars and Eighteen Cents (\$1606.18) under provisions of Chapter III (One Hundred Eleven), Section 85 of the General Laws, for the Town's assessment for the care and treatment of persons suffering from tuberculosis, and for the care, maintenance, and repair of Worcester County Sanatorium."

TRANSFER MONEY IN CEMETERY ACCOUNT

Article 9. Voted: on motion of Selectman Francis, seconded by Alanson J. Varney, chairman of Finance Committee, "that the Town Treasurer transfer Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) from the Cemetery-Sale of Lots Account, to the Oiling and Grading Account." Moderator declared vote unanimous.

ADD TO CONSERVATION FUND

Article 10. Voted: on motion of Selectmen Francis, seconded by William C. Young, clerk of Finance Committee, "to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000) to be added to the Conservation Fund set up under Article 24 of the Annual Town Meeting on March 12, 1966." Moderator declared vote unanimous.

REIMBURSE TREE WARDEN

Article 11. Voted: on motion of Chairman of Selectmen Porter, seconded, "to raise and appropriate Forty-eight Dollars (\$48) to reimburse the Tree Warden for supervisory work done during the year 1968." No dissenting voice.

NEW POLICE CRUISER

Article 12. Voted: on motion of Selectman Gallagher, seconded by Alanson J. Varney, "to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$2450) for the purchase of a new police cruiser." Moderator declared vote unanimous.

In answer to an inquiry by Ernest W. Ramsey, it was stated the officials planned to purchase a station wagon type cruiser.

PURCHASE LIGHTS FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT

Article 13. Voted: on motion of Selectman Francis, seconded by Alanson J. Varney, "to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) for the purchase of four 500-watt lights for the emergency generator maintained by the Fire Department." Moderator declared unanimous vote.

1968 UNPAID CLAIM

Article 14. Voted: on motion of Selectman Gallagher, seconded by William C. Young, "to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$190) to be added to the Damage to Persons and Property Account to settle an unpaid claim made in 1968." Moderator declared unanimous vote.

1968 INTEREST ACCOUNT

Article 15. Voted: on motion of Selectman Porter, seconded by William C. Young, "to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Hundred Six Dollars and Sixty-six Cents (\$406.66) to be placed in the 1968 Interest Account." Moderator declared vote unanimous.

CHAPTER 81 HIGHWAY WORK

Article 16. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier, seconded by Clement J. Lambert, "to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Six Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$4650.00) for Chapter 81 Highway Work to be used in conjunction with any money allotted by the State for this purpose." Moderator declared vote unanimous.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Article 17. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier, seconded by Clement J. Lambert, "to raise and appropriate Three Thousand Eight Hundred Dollars (\$3800) for Chapter 90 Maintenance Highway Work to be used in conjunction with any money allotted by the State or County, or both." One dissenting voice.

CHAPTER 90 HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION

Article 18. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier, seconded by Clement J. Lambert, "to raise and appropriate Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$5500) for Chapter 90

Highway Construction Work on Fiske Road to be used in conjunction with any money allotted by the State or County, or both." Moderator declared vote unanimous.

ADDITIONAL MONEY TO WIDEN AND IMPROVE MAPLE AVENUE

Article 19. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier, seconded by Clement J. Lambert, "to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000) to be added to the Twenty-three Hundred Dollars (\$2300) appropriated under Article 26 at the Annual Town Meeting of March 1968 to widen and improve Maple Avenue at Main Street in West Upton." Moderator declared vote unanimous.

During discussion before voting, John F. Hamilton of Maple Avenue spoke about the hazardous condition for children on the street because of fast driving motorists. Mr. Poirier said he would have a warning sign placed near the Hamilton residence Monday (March 10). (There is no sidewalk on the westerly side of the street.)

Road Commissioner Poirier said it was tentatively planned to remove a short strip of sidewalk and a tree on westerly side of Maple Avenue (on or adjacent to Unitarian Church property). He stated it was yet to be definitely determined if the walk was on town or church property.

As for Easterly side of Maple Avenue at Main Street it was being considered to reduce the radius of the present sidewalk to afford additional highway width.

CIDER MILL LANE REPAIRS

Article 20. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier, seconded by Selectman Francis, "to raise and appropriate Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) for repairs of Cider Mill Lane."

POND STREET CULVERT

Article 21. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier seconded by Clement J. Lambert, "to raise and appropriate Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1500) to renew a culvert on Pond Street in conjunction with the Town of Milford."

SELECTMEN COMMENDED

At this point in the proceedings Town Clerk Newton asked that the Selectmen be commended for improvements made to interior of Town Hall building, including redecorating. He said he

had been around the hall more than 60 years and the interior was the best he had ever seen it. Voters expressed their favorable sentiment to the project by applause.

TWO LIGHTS, SOUTH STREET AREA

Article 22. Voted: on motion of Selectman Francis, seconded by William C. Young, "to raise and appropriate Forty Dollars (\$40) to be added to the Street Light Account for the installation of two 1000 lumen street lights on Pole No. 48X at the intersection of South Street and Shore Drive and Pole No. 43 at the corner of South and Chestnut Streets." Moderator declared unanimous vote.

Retired Fire Chief George N. O. Poirier suggested that a pole be setback from the highway when the new lights are installed in order to make more room when a school bus is turned around.

ONE LIGHT, WESTBORO ROAD

Article 23. Voted: on motion of Chairman of Selectmen Porter, seconded, "to raise and appropriate Twenty Dollars (\$20) to be added to the Street Lights Account for the purpose of installing a 1000 lumen street light on Pole 49 on the Westboro Road near the Hebert property."

ONE LIGHT, OLD WARREN ROAD

Article 24. Voted: on motion of Selectman Gallagher, seconded by Alanson J. Varney, "to raise and appropriate Twenty Dollars (\$20) to be added to the Street Light Account for the purpose of installing a 1000 lumen street light Twenty Dollars (\$20) to be added to the Street Light Account for the purpose of installing a 1000 lumen street light on Pole No. 4 on Old Warren Road near the Herbert property."

MAIN STREET, MERCURY STREET LIGHTS

Article 25. Voted: on motion of Selectman Gallagher, seconded by Alanson J. Varney, "to raise and appropriate One Hundred Forty Dollars (\$140) to be added to the Street Light Account for the purpose of installing or replacing the present street lights with 3500 multi-mercury lights on Main Street on poles numbered 10, 13, 15, 17 and 18 from School Street to Upton Common."

TO PAINT EXTERIOR OF TOWN HALL

Article 26. Voted: on motion of Selectman Gallagher, seconded by Selectman Francis, "to raise and appropriate the sum of

Two Thousand Dollars (\$2000) to paint the exterior trim of Town Hall."

INSULATED FILE FOR ASSESSORS

Article 27. Voted: on motion of Assessor Samuel Nahra, seconded by John F. Hamilton, "to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Eleven Dollars (\$211) for the purchase of an insulated file to house the property valuation cards in the Assessors' office." Moderator declared unanimous vote.

Mr. Nahra stated the file would be kept at the Assessors' office.

REJECT CONSTRUCTION OF SEWAGE AND SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT

Article 28. A motion by Chairman of Selectmen Porter, seconded by Alanson J. Varney of Finance Committee "to appropriate the sum of Six Hundred and Forty Thousand Dollars (\$640,000) for the construction of a sewage system and sewage treatment and disposal facilities and to meet said appropriation the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow \$640,000 under General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 8 (15), said funds to be used in conjunction with any state and federal grants available for said project." was defeated Yes-75, No-96. Standing vote was taken with Officers Aldrich and Nichols making the count. Favorable action because of borrowing clause would require a two-thirds vote.

The action was taken after a 70-minute discussion during which Selectman Porter stated the Selectmen had been directed to attend an adjudicatory hearing at Boston, March 27, before the Division of Water Pollution Control. The State has alleged that the present sewage treatment plant pollutes the West River.

The discussion period included several questions similar to those asked at a special town meeting, January 11, and a public hearing, February 15 – whether it was economically advisable to now build a large sewerage system to service sections of Upton Center and West Upton or build a new treatment plant for the present West Upton system only. It was stated no state or federal grants could be expected toward cost of only a West Upton treatment plant.

Among the voters speaking were Mrs. Robert J. Bailey, Richard Orff, Mrs. William A. Poore, James H. Smith, Kenneth Maynard, Mrs. Harvey Martindale, Thomas Piercy, Bradford Mettey, Gerard Morin, Roger J. Lapierre, Henry J. Poirier, Harvey

Trask, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Lent, George N.O. Poirier, William Ethier, Leo Lamanuzzi, Ernest W. Ramsey, Dr. John A. Dondero. Paul Cahill, Dr. John F. Hoell and Selectman Porter. Also Mr. Hoyle and Mr. Tanner of the Alonzo B. Reed Inc., engineers, which has prepared plans for a local sewerage system.

REJECT SPECIAL APPROPRIATION FOR CERTAIN SEWAGE PLANS

Article 29. A motion by Selectman Gallagher, seconded by Mr. Nahra, "to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars Seven Hundred Fifty-six Dollars and Thirty-six Cents (\$4756.36) due Alonzo B. Reed Inc. for field surveys, laying baselines and plotting maps in relation to final plans for town sewage" was declared lost by Moderator on a voice vote.

The Finance Committee did not recommend favorable action, Chairman Varney announced.

In reply to a question by James H. Smith, Chairman of Selectmen Porter explained the Selectmen were not authorized to spend this sum of money; that \$13,000 was appropriated to be used for preliminary costs and in order to obtain the cost of the sewage plant it was necessary to have baselines and plotting maps. Mr. Porter said the engineering firm would accept a letter of intent from the Selectmen, which was given and if the sewer project is voted in the future the engineering firm will be paid.

STABILIZATION FUND

Article 30. Voted: on motion of Selectman Gallagher, seconded by Samuel Nahra, Jr. and William C. Young, "to appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000) from available unappropriated funds in the town treasury to the Stabilization Fund." It was stated that with favorable action on this motion, the total sum of the Stabilization Fund would be \$100,000.

RESERVE FUND

Article 31. Voted: on motion of Chairman of Selectmen Porter, seconded by William C. Young of the Finance Committee, "to appropriate from available unappropriated funds in the town treasury, Five Thousand Dollars (\$5000) to the Reserve Fund."

ROAD COMMISSIONER COMMENDED

George W. Grebenstein moved, seconded, that a vote of appreciation be given to Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier and

Highway Department workers for the efficient removal of snow from traveled ways during the recent snow storms that hampered traffic in many parts of New England. The motion received rounds of applause.

Town Accountant Charles H. Ferris moved, seconded by William C. Young, "that all monies appropriated during the meeting, unless otherwise provided in the motion, be raised by taxation." No dissenting voice.

Warrant was dissolved on motion of Chairman Porter, seconded by William C. Young, at 5:10 P.M.

During the meeting it was voted:

Appropriations by 1969 Taxation, general budget \$823,211.42

Appropriations by 1969 Taxation, special articles 28,751.07

Appropriations from available unappropriated money

in town treasury	17,000.00
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Transfer	300.00
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Other monies voted:

1968 Dog Tax Refund	\$495.58
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Charlotte Batchelor School	
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Trust Fund, Interest	<u>200.00</u>
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	695.58
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Grand Total	\$869,958.07
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Attest: GEORGE G. NEWTON
Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

May 13, 1969

Worcester,ss

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

GREETINGS:

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 evening, the Thirteenth (13) day of May, 1969, punctually at 7:30 o'clock P.M. for the following purposes:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available unappropriated funds in the town treasury, Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$750) to the Town Accountant, Expense Account, for rent, heat and lights of the office of the Town Accountant.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available unappropriated funds in the town treasury Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$750) to the Town Treasurer, Expense Account, for rent, heat and lights of the office of Town Treasurer.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer Seven Hundred Eighty-One Dollars and Seventy-Five Cents (\$781.75) from the State Aid to Libraries, Anticipation of Appropriation Account, to the Library Account.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer the remaining acreage of land owned by the Town of Upton situated at the rear of the Housing for the Elderly site on Hartford Avenue, to the control of the Upton Conservation Commission to be developed and improved upon for the use of all residents, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 5. The Boys Club of Upton requests that the Town of Upton appropriate Forty-One Hundred Dollars (\$4100) to repair Leland Field from available unappropriated funds in the town treasury, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from proceeds received under Chapter 616, Acts of 1967, the sum of Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Nine Dollars and Fifty-Two Cents (\$7869.52) to be expended for reconstruction work on Mendon Street, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or take from available unappropriated funds in the town treasury the sum of Six Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$625) for the purchase of a Walkie Talkie Radio with a charger unit and carrying case, to be used by the Police Department, or take any action pertaining thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) for the construction of a Sewage System and Sewage Treatment and Disposal Facilities and to determine whether such appropriation shall be raised by borrowing or otherwise, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to substantiate the affirmative vote of the Mendon-Upton Regional School District Committee made on April 15, 1969 "That the sum of Fifty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$56,000) is appropriated for acquiring the property of the Upton Fuel & Construction Co., Inc. situated between the easterly side of Pleasant Street (Northbridge Road) and the westerly side of Mendon Street in Upton, Worcester County, Massachusetts, consisting of approximately forty-six acres (46) as a site for the construction of a school building and that this appropriation be raised by incurring debt by the issue of bonds or notes under General Laws, Chapter 71, Section 16, in the name and upon the full faith and credit of the Mendon-Upton Regional School District."

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 fifth day of May in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty nine.

ERNEST B. PORTER
JAMES J. GALLAGHER
HAROLD F. FRANCIS
Selectmen of Upton

Upton, Mass.

May 5, 1969

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, May 13, 1969, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the said Warrant in each of the Post Offices and on the Town Hall at least seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

RODNEY B. MARCHAND
Constable of the Town of Upton

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON
Town Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
May 13, 1969

Moderator George W. Burnham called the meeting to order at the designated hour (7:30 P.M.) Because of the line of voters at the check-in table at main entrance he declared a 10-minute recess. Because of the continued line at 7:40 P.M., he declared an additional five-minute recess. He requested all voters to be seated.

During the meeting there 341 voters' names checked on voting list according to Mrs. Rose E. Davis (R) and Mrs. Claire B. Praskiewicz (D), checkers. Quorum is 20 voters.

At 7:45 P.M. the meeting resumed. The Moderator in reading the Warrant and Constable's return of posting said he would omit the articles at this time if there was no objection as they would be read when taken up for action.

**REJECT MOTION TO PAY RENT FOR OFFICE SPACE
FOR TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

Article 1. Town Accountant Charles H. Ferris moved, seconded, "to transfer from available funds in the town treasury, Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$750) to the Town Accountant, Expense Account, for rent, heat and lights of the office of Town Accountant." (Office is in accountant's home.) Finance Committee did not recommend favorable action.

Speakers included Town Accountant Ferris, Chairman Alanson J. Varney of Finance Committee, Thomas M. Piercy, Bradford N. Mettey and George W. Blakeslee.

Chairman of Selectmen Ernest B. Porter in answer to a query stated it was planned to have office space for the Town Accountant, Town Treasurer and Town Clerk at Town Hall building when and if Town Library has new quarters. Motion of Town Accountant Ferris lost on voice vote.

Moderator Burnham said if there was no objection, Atty. J. Laurence Doyle, counsel for Mendon-Upton Regional School District Committee; Town Counsel Jacob Oppewal and Richard L. Childs, chairman of said School District Committee, be permitted to be seated on main floor. No objection voiced.

**"PASS OVER" ARTICLE TO PAY OFFICE RENT
FOR TOWN TREASURER**

Article 2. Voted: to "pass over" a motion of Norman E. Walker, seconded, an article to see if the Town would transfer Seven

Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750) from available unappropriated funds in the town treasury to the Town Treasurer, Expense Account, for heat, rent and lights of the office of Town Treasurer. (Office is in the treasurer's home.) Finance Committee did not recommend favorable action.

STATE AID ALLOTMENT TO LIBRARY ACCOUNT

Article 3. Voted: on motion of Chairman of Selectmen Ernest B. Porter, seconded by Chairman Varney of the Finance Committee, "that the Town vote to transfer Seven Hundred Eighty-One Dollars and Seventy-Five Cents (\$781.75) from the State Aid to Libraries, Anticipation of Appropriations Account, to the Library, Expense Account. "Recommended by Finance Committee. Moderator declared vote unanimous."

TRANSFER CONTROL OF LAND BY SELECTMEN TO CONSERVATION COMMITTEE

Article 4. Voted: on motion of Selectman James J. Gallagher, seconded, by Paul F. Cahill, "to authorize the Board of Selectmen to transfer the remaining acreage of land owned by the Town of Upton and situated at the rear of the Housing for the Elderly site on Hartford Avenue, to the control of the Upton Conservation Committee to be developed and improved upon for the use of all residents." Moderator stated the Town Counsel directed a two-third vote was required for favorable action. Standing vote with count made by Police Officers Ralph E. Chambers and Alfred H. Nichols: Result, YES-211; NO-48.

Finance Committee recommended favorable action. During discussion of the motion it was explained that the purpose of the article was to transfer "control" authority only from the Selectmen to the Conservation Committee. The Committee plans to improve part of the tract for tenants of the Home for the Elderly and other town residents, it was stated.

Speakers included Chairman Paul V. Swanson and Philip B. Stanton of the Conservation Committee, Mrs. Gladys G. Crockett, Raymond E. Griffin, Bradford N. Mettey and Dr. John F. Hoell.

"PASS OVER" ARTICLE TO REPAIR HOWARD LELAND ATHLETIC FIELD

Article 5. Voted: to "pass over" on motion of Samuel Nahra, Jr., seconded, an article to see if the Town would provide Forty-One Hundred Dollars (\$4100) from unappropriated funds in the treasury

at the request of the Upton Boys' Club to repair Howard Leland Athletic Field. Finance Committee did not recommend favorable action. It was stated work had been done at the athletic field since the Boys' Club made the request to have the article in the Warrant.

TO IMPROVE MENDON STREET

Article 6. Voted: on motion of Chairman of Selectmen Porter, seconded by Norman E. Walker of the Finance Committee, "to transfer from proceeds received or to be received under Chapter 616, Acts of 1967, Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Nine Dollars and Fifty-Two Cents (\$7869.52) to be expended for hot-topping on Mendon Street." Recommended by Finance Committee. Moderator declared favorable voter unanimous.

PURCHASE WALKIE – TALKIE FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

Article 7. Voted: on motion of Selectmen Harold F. Francis, seconded by Forrest E. Noe, "to transfer from available unappropriated funds in the town treasury, Six Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$625) for the purchase of a walkie-talkie radio with a charger unit and carrying case to be used by the Police Department." Recommended by Finance Committee. Chairman Varney of Finance Committee explained that the Police Department's present walkie-talkie is not in good condition. Moderator stated there was one dissenting voice when vote was taken on the motion.

CONSTRUCTION OF SEWAGE DISPOSAL AND TREATMENT FACILITY

Article 8. Original motion of Chairman of Selectmen Ernest B. Porter, seconded by Alanson J. Varney, chairman of Finance Committee, "that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$500,000 for the construction of a sewage system and sewage treatment and that such appropriation be raised by borrowing the sum of \$500,000 under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws for a period not to exceed 30 years."

The Finance Committee recommended favorable action.

After a lengthy discussion during which it was stated the Selectmen had an alternate proposal of restricting work on town sewerage to the minimum necessary to satisfy the current order of the Division of Water Pollution Control, a motion to amend was made by Selectman James J. Gallagher, seconded by Tree Warden Donald R. Keniston, "to appropriate \$200,000 for the construction

of a sewage disposal and treatment facility and to borrow this amount for a period not to exceed 30 years; monies to be borrowed under Chapter 44 of the General Laws."

Standing Vote: YES-246; NO-25

During the discussion after the original motion, Selectman Porter read a letter signed by Henry D. Hoyle, Jr., chief engineer, New Hampshire Division, Alonzo B. Reed, Inc., Engineers, Manchester, N.H. and Boston, Mass., This firm made a sewerage and sewerage treatment survey for the town during the past year.

The letter refers to the factors involved in an alternative plan of "restricting work on town sewerage to the minimum necessary to satisfy the current order of the Division of Water Pollution Control." It was stated the total cost would be \$664,015 with the town's share \$193,840.

Contents of letter:

April 11, 1969

Board of Selectmen
Upton, Massachusetts

Attention: Mr. Ernest Porter, Chairman
RE: Sewerage and Sewage Treatment
Upton, Massachusetts

This is to confirm and amplify our telephone discussions of the factors involved in the alternative of restricting work on town sewerage to the minimum necessary to satisfy the current order of the Division of Water Pollution Control.

"I have discussed this with Mr. Greeley, the engineer who reviewed the sewer study report for the Division. He indicated the following:

"1. In the view of the Division, the extent of sewer construction is up to the Town. Their requirements is simply that pollution, specifically from existing sewers, be abated by proper treatment. They would be interested only in replacement of the leaking sewer up to Main Street so as to eliminate the leakage and allow satisfactory operation of a plant. The Pleasant Street interceptor, pumping station, sewerage of the Center, etc. are regarded as matters of the Town's convenience and economics, and may be deferred indefinitely. The burden would remain on the Town to clean up Center Brook by enforcing satisfactory individual septic tank and leaching field systems, but this has not been referred to in discussions so far.

"2. An approved plant would be eligible for FWPCA and State grants. In this connection, however, it was indicated that the

Division would not approve or allocate grants for a plant which did not provide for expansion of the system. Mr. Greeley felt that construction of a small plant with no provision for system expansion was poor economics; since State money would be involved he felt that the plant should be substantially as shown in the report for them to participate.

"Operation of the plant with present loading (without ground water) would require use of one aerator and one settling tank initially, and loading would be light, but should be satisfactory. With schools and old age housing, loading should be in the range of 1/4 to 1/3 design flow; enough to run single units at half loading, and obtain satisfactory performance. Some modifications to this end might be added in final design work.

"Further study of this alternative such as contemplated in our recent proposal, does not seem necessary. Cost figures may be obtained from the original report.

Plant	\$505,000.
Interceptor (to Depot St.)	<u>35,900.</u>
	\$540,900. Total
(50% FWPCA, 25% State)	\$135,225. Town
Street sewer, interceptor to Main St. via Depot St.	\$ 28,250. Total & Town

Engineering—	Fee	\$44,865.
	Survey	7,000.
	Borings	4,000.
	Inspection	<u>30,000.</u>
		\$85,865.

of this, 95%, or about \$82,000, would be eligible to 75% grants, or \$61,500.

"Land, administration, etc., would add about \$6,000 to Town cost.

"Total project and town costs would be —

	Total	Town
Plant and Interceptor	\$540,900.	\$135,225.
Street Sewer	28,250.	28,250.
Engineering	85,865.	24,365.
Land & Misc.	<u>9,000.</u>	<u>6,000.</u>
	\$664,015.	\$193,840.

"A town bond of \$200,000 would be indicated to finance the project, unless some street sewers, such as Hartford Avenue were added."

Among voters asking for information or speaking on the sewerage question were Mrs. Janet Caton, Thomas M. Piercy, Bradford N. Mettey, Thomas E. Corliss, Frank L. Caputo, Gerald C. Emino, Ernest W. Ramsey, Robert F. Ramsey, Kermit R. Maynard, Lester P. Brozeau, Raymond E. Griffin and Walter J. Kirby.

REJECT SITE FOR REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUILDING

Article 9. Jerald A. Rice, member of the Mendon-Upton Regional School District Committee, presented the following motion, seconded by Paul F. Cahill, "that the Town vote to substantiate the affirmative vote of the Mendon-Upton Regional School District Committee made on April 15, 1969 'that the sum of Fifty-six Thousand Dollars (\$56,000) be appropriated for acquiring the property of the Upton Fuel & Construction Co. Inc., situated between the easterly side of Pleasant Street (Northbridge Road) and the westerly side of Mendon Street in Upton, Worcester County, Massachusetts, consisting of approximately 46 acres as a site for the construction of a school building and that this appropriation be raised by incurring debt by the issue of bonds or notes under General Laws, Chapter 71, Section 16 in the name and upon the full faith and credit of the Mendon-Upton Regional School District."

Alanson J. Varney, chairman, reported favorable action was recommended by the Finance Committee by a 4 to 3 vote after a meeting with the School Committee and Site Committee. (Two members of the Finance Committee were not present when this action was taken.)

Note: (On May 9, 1969 the voters of Mendon at a special town meeting acted favorably by a vote of Yes-53; No-4 on a motion for an appropriation to acquire the site.)

Leo Lamanuzzi asked for further study of the subject.

George N.O. Poirier, president of the Upton Fuel & Construction Co. Inc., said he desired to read a statement to clarify his company's stand against the use of the specified land for a school building site.

Mr. Poirier's statement "which I shall read in the interest of accuracy, and I hope clarity, is Upton Fuel & Construction Company's position as to the proposed taking of its land as a school building site. I will read this statement to you and say no more, either by question and answer or otherwise.

"The taking of land belonging to Upton Fuel & Construction Company is not a new experience. Only a few years ago, under the Federal Flood Control Program, the Company, and also Henry

Poirier has lost about 150 acres. This land had been zoned as flood plain area and through the Federal Courts we received very little for it. For instance, a parcel of a few acres went for \$600 by a jury because the zoning law forbid building in flood plain areas. Now we are faced with a far more devastating situation, and one which we do not like, for many reasons.

"Because of its admitted best use, this parcel of land is worth far more than \$56,000. Expert opinions, geographical and appraisal surveys will have to be made by the company. We have never placed a price on this land as it has not, and is not for sale. \$56,000 is not our price tag. We submitted no price to the Committee for we did not have it on the market for sale.

"After exploring several possible building sites, it appears that there is no site with gravel of this type. As all of us know, gravel, sand, loam and fill are necessities to the householder and the builder. We are concerned about this for we have commitments for the sale of gravel to Upton and to many other sources. What are we to do in this situation? Experience has taught us that it is next to impossible now to acquire land and permits for the removal of gravel in Upton. With the expected growth of Upton, partly because of Route 495, we are in a strategic location. This site could still supply gravel and could end up as a location for many beautiful homes which we some day had hoped to see.

"\$56,000 may sound like a huge sum of money for a building site for a school. This parcel of land is worth several times this amount. Its final value will have to be determined by the Massachusetts Courts at the expense of all of you taxpayers. In the final analysis it looks as though this would be a very expensive building site, which perhaps even the School Committee does not now contemplate. For if this is taken by eminent domain the cost to the towns shall be determined by the Courts in the future. We realize we cannot stop the District from taking our land now but what it will cost the towns is still an unknown figure.

"We do not argue the need for a new school, or an addition. We respect the judgment of our elected members of the District Committee in this regard. We do, however, ask that still further consideration of site selection be made by the Committee. One of our reasons is that we too, like many of the voters here tonight, are taxpayers. Perhaps a site with a lower price tag might be found.

"It is obvious that there are differences of opinion as to when and where to build a school. The vote of our own Finance Committee, four for and three against, seems to indicate that even among good and experienced men, opinions differ. Perhaps those of

the Finance Committee who voted against this site had as their reason, for voting against, the matter of the public economy.

"The forgoing is a sincere and conscientious effort of those persons connected with our company to place before you our true feelings, and to assert, if we are forced to do so, our rights given us by law. Bearing no ill will and yet recognizing the duties of the School Committee in its apparent long and frustrating search, we still ask that the search continue.

"We ask the voters of this town to disapprove the District Committee's recommendation."

Henry J. Poirier stated he believed that state-owned land adjacent to the Upton Fuel & Construction Company's tract might be available for the proposed school. He added he would be glad to assist in trying to obtain the state lot if the committee desired.

Paul V. Swanson, a member of the Site Committee, said 22 lots of land had been looked over in Mendon and Upton as a site for the school building, including property opposite the present Nipmuc Regional High School in Mendon. He said to find a 40-acre lot available for a site is difficult.

Others speaking during the half-hour discussion on the motion included Mr. Rice, Forrest E. Noe, Donald A. Wellman, Atty. J. Laurence Doyle of Milford, counsel for the Regional School District Committee; Norman E. Walker, Mrs. Janet Caton, Mrs. Alice Martindale, Committee member Mrs. Marjorie I. McLaughlin, Ernest M. Knight, Selectmen Ernest B. Porter and James J. Gallagher.

A standing vote count on Mr. Rice's motion was made by Police Officers Chambers and Nichols. Result announced by Moderator:

YES-55; NO-235

("Yes" vote was to substantiate the affirmative vote of the Mendon-Upton Regional School District Committee to appropriate \$56,000 for the Upton Fuel & Construction Co. Inc. land.)

At 9.40 P.M., Samuel Nahra Jr. moved to dissolve the Warrant, seconded by Selectman Porter. So voted without dissenting voice, Moderator announced.

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON
Town Clerk

**WARRANT FOR
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

December 30, 1969

Worcester, ss

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

GREETINGS:

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 Thirtieth (30th) day of December 1969, punctually, at 7.30 o'clock P.M. for the following purposes:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available unappropriated funds in the town treasury to the Board of Health Dump Maintenance Account the sum of Two Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Three dollars and Forty-One Cents (\$2,243.41), or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Water and Sewer Maintenance Account to the Water and Sewer Expense Account, the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250) for the purchase of a typewriter, or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the payment of a 1968 unpaid bill to the Medway Block Co. in the amount of One Hundred Two Dollars and Eighty-Five Cents (\$102.85) from the Water and Sewer Maintenance Account, 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-second day of December in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixty-nine.

ERNEST B. PORTER
JAMES J. GALLAGHER
HAROLD F. FRANCIS
Selectmen of Upton

Upton, Massachusetts

December 22, 1969

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, December 30, 1969 at 7.30 P.M. for the purpose within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the said Warrant in each of the Post Offices and on the Town Hall at least seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

DAVID I. ALDRICH
Constable of Upton

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON
Town Clerk of Upton

PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

December 30, 1969

Moderator George W. Burnham called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M. He stated there was more than a quorum (20 voters) present.

Mrs. Rita C. Cutler (D) and George W. Grebenstein (R) were in charge of the voting list at main entrance to hall. Thirty-two voters' names were checked during the meeting.

APPROPRIATION TO BOARD OF HEALTH DUMP MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT

Article 1. Voted: on motion of Alvin P. Nichols, member of the Board of Health, duly seconded by Clement J. Lambert, "that the Town vote to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of Two Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Three Dollars and Forty-One Cents (\$2,243.41) to the Board of Health Dump Maintenance Account." Voice vote was declared favorable with three opposing, Moderator stated.

Jonas E. Carter, chairman, stated the Finance Committee reluctantly recommended favorable action on the article. He added that the Board of Health members should have conferred with the Selectmen or Finance Committee when the Dump Maintenance appropriation had been expended.

Other speakers included James H. Smith, Dr. John F. Hoell, Norman E. Walker and Town Accountant Charles H. Ferris.

PURCHASE TYPEWRITER FOR WATER-SEWER COMMISSION

Article 2. Voted: on motion of George E. Nydam, member of the Water-Sewer Commission, seconded by Henry J. Poirier, "to transfer from the Water and Sewer Maintenance Account to the Water and Sewer Expense Account, the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250) for the purchase of a typewriter to be used by that Department."

Finance Committee through Chairman Carter did not recommend favorable action at this time but to defer it to annual town meeting in March.

Mr. Nydam informed the voters the department had the money available in one account as an unexpended balance to purchase a needed typewriter but could not use it because it was in another account.

Among the speakers were James H. Smith, Chairman of Selectmen Ernest B. Porter, Mrs. Celestine I. Mason and Clement J. Lambert.

Moderator Burnham declared favorable action by a voice vote on the motion, stating he heard one opposed.

AUTHORIZE WATER-SEWER COMMISSION TO PAY 1968 BILL

Article 3. Voted: on motion of George E. Nydam, member of Water-Sewer Commission, seconded by Henry J. Poirier, "that the Town vote to authorize the Water and Sewer Department to pay a 1968 bill in the amount of One Hundred and Two Dollars and Eighty-Five Cents (\$102.85) from the Sewer and Water Maintenance Account to the Medway Block Company." Recommended by Finance Committee. Moderator declared unanimous vote.

Chairman Porter of Selectmen moved, seconded, and so voted at 7:55 P.M. to dissolve the Warrant.

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON
Town Clerk

JURY LIST
Town of Upton
1969 - 1970

Name	Street	Business
Apple, Donald S.	Warren St.,	Lineman
Burr, Harold C.	Glen View St.,	Retired-Machinist
Bruso, Eli J.	South St.,	Retired-Milling Mach. operator
Capistran, Eugene H.	Breton Lane,	Carpenter
Cloward, Davis T.	Hopkinton Rd.,	Meterman
Daniels, Winnie M.	Grove St.,	Duplicating Mach. Operator
Fiske, Earl A., Jr.	Fiske Ave.,	Carpenter
Goss, William P.	Maple Ave.,	Machinist
Goyette, Olive G.	School St., Upton	Unemployed-Trimmer
Hill, Lloyd C.	Main St.,	Retired-Truck Driver
Inman, Brian	Nelson St.,	Electronic Technician
Lamanuzzi, Dorothy M.	W. Main St.,	General Operator, Hat plant
Lambert, Shirley	South St.,	Florist Clerk-arranger
Lawrence, Richard F.	Glen Ave.,	Assistant foreman
Mainville, Marion	Mendon St.,	Clerk
MacNaughton, John	Pearl St.,	Painter
Martin, Natalie L.	Fowler St.,	Retired-Group Manager
Mettey, Lucille	Old Warren Rd.,	Secretary
Nichols, Edward C.	School St.,	Retired-Research Engineer
Nydam, Goldie I.	Main St.,	Part-time Bookkeeper
Orff, Madeline E.	Hartford Ave.,	Packer
Pirie, Phyllis F.	Nelson St.,	Clerk
Pope, Priscilla E.	Elm St.,	Hat worker
Porter, John F.	Shore Dr.,	Lineman
Ramsey, Robert F.	Elm St.,	Carpenter
Schug, Chestine H.	Piccadilly St.,	Social Security-Clerk
Southland, Frederick E., Jr.	James Rd.,	Laboratory Technician
Thompson, Rita L.	Grove St.,	At home
Wadsworth, Edward M.	West River St.,	Oven loader-Wheel stripper
Weed, Gilbert G.	Pleasant St.,	Printer
Williams, Walter H.	Hartford Ave.,	Laboratory Technician

VITAL STATISTICS

1968 BIRTHS

(Received and recorded in 1969)

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Parents
JULY		
30	(daughter) Amidon	Stanley B. and Patricia A. Amidon, Jr.
AUGUST		
1	James Andrew McNamara	James and Richene E. McNamara
20	Todd Steven Kosiba	Richard H. and Patricia A. Kosiba
OCTOBER		
16	Anne Mary Andrews	Allen M. and Suzanne M. Andrews
17	Sherry Anne Boudrot	Donald P. and Rosemarie Boudrot
24	Kimberly Ann Bishop	George W. and Dorothy R. Bishop
28	Jennifer Louise Howarth	Richard G. and Naomi A. Howarth
NOVEMBER		
9	Lauren Sue Dowd	Bryan T. and Judith E. Dowd
24	Tina Marie Mercadante	Querino A. Jr., and Rachel Mercadante
27	Brian Robert Ford	Robert and Brenda J. Ford
DECEMBER		
1	Barbara Marie Niziolek	Edward C. and Elaine K. Niziolek

1969 BIRTHS

JANUARY		
6	Michael David Simmons	William P. and Cheryl G. Simmons
13	Ellen Cote	Donald L. and Mary K. Cote
13	Anthony Ceasar Cervassi	Caeser J. and Loretta C. Cervassi
28	James Thomas Fitzpatrick	James T. and Maryjane M. Fitzpatrick
FEBRUARY		
1	Brian Jerome Ellis	Roger H. and Seyma K. Ellis
3	Cindy Ann Couture	Roy J. and Carol L. Couture
10	Michael David Bowen	Robert F. and Carol B. Bowen

20	Jared Randall Vogt	Dennis L. and Laura C. Vogt
24	Jonathan Michael Kalagher	Harold B. and Donna D. Kalagher
26	Scott Allan Donham	James B. and Susan V. Donham
26	(boy) Hackenson	Arthur E. and Catherine D. Hackenson
28	Steven Paul Gibree	Arthur W. and Carolyn Z. Gibree

MARCH

4	Kathleen Mayerle McNearney	Clayton L. and Janice M. McNearney
5	David Robert Wood	Robert D. and Donna L. Wood
17	David Michael Makynen	Michael R. and Ellen M. Makynen
27	Sherry Lee Fahlbeck	Robert W. and Diane F. Fahlbeck

APRIL

14	Christopher Owens Wood	Norman S., Jr. and Dianne G. Wood
27	Tonia Lynn Staples	Gary R. and Sandra C. Staples

MAY

3	Michael Todd Piercy	Todd D. and Judith S. Piercy
11	Scott Alan Young	Kenneth E. and Nancy S. Young
30	Kevin Patrick Priest	James E. and Patricia M. Priest

JUNE

2	Julie Ann Bailey	Robert J. Jr. and Carol H. Bailey
5	Randy Thomas Young	Rodney E. and Rosanna B. Young
9	Scott Patrick Bishop	Allan L. and Carol M. Bishop
11	James Edward French	Gary H. and Pamela T. French
11	Monica Jean Fantini	Ralph L. and Laurie M. Fantini
15	Mary Elizabeth Bolger Strothers	Kenneth A. and Kathleen G. Strothers
18	Wayne Scott Priest	Robert E. and Phyllis C. Priest
20	Matthew John Whitney	Daniel F. and Jane C. Whitney
23	Scott Robert Page	Robert A. and Nancy V. Page
23	Jeffrey David Allen	William D. and Pamela C. Allen
24	Michael Joseph Rosati	Alfio A. and Elinore W. Rosati

JULY

16	Jeffrey Alan Bartlett	Arthur F., Jr. and Sandra J. Bartlett
16	Glenn Allan Powell	Maurice S., Jr. and Pauline B. Powell
19	Bonnie Lynn Drew	Joe O. and Dorothy R. Drew

AUGUST

4	Barbara Jean Givani	Reno A. and Claire P. Givani
8	Kelly Bell Scribner	Peter M. and Susan B. Scribner
18	Kevin Arthur Granger	Arthur R. and Dorothy G. Granger
20	Marnie Jean Intinarelli	Paul J. and Karen C. Intinarelli
21	Sean Richard O'Connell	Richard A. and Estelle G. O'Connell
31	William Thomas Cichanowicz	Anthony M. and Diane B. Cichanowicz

SEPTEMBER

1	Kelly Jean Larson	Robert A. and Gail V. Larson
2	Damon Scott Bigelow	Elliott F. and Leann G. Bigelow
2	Susan Lyn Hamilton	John F. and Rita S. Hamilton
10	Glenn Scott McKinstry	Allan W. and Gladys B. McKinstry
11	Jonathan Michael Harkins	William R. and Jean K. Harkins
11	Curt Heintz	Carl F. and Elaine H. Heintz
14	Dean Scot Paine	Robert B. and Carol P. Paine, Jr.
18	Heather Genet Aronson	Clarence W. and Janet K. Aronson
24	Robert Vaughan Shea	Lester P. and Gloria L. Shea
27	Milford John Berry	Lewis R. and Helen B. Berry
27	Lewis Raymond Berry	Lewis R. and Helen B. Berry

OCTOBER

3	Sonya Carin Hammond	Richard L. and Paula S. Hammond
3	Christine Ann Mulcahy	Michael and Ann P. Mulcahy
16	Julie Marie Moshier	Stephen A. and Mary P. Moshier
25	Becky Jean Perkins	Leslie E., Jr. and Jane N. Perkins

NOVEMBER

2	David John Swart	Wendell III and Nancy W. Swart
11	Sherri Lee Lemoine	Leo H. and Loretta R. Lemoine
14	Amy Lynn Porter	John F. and Sheila W. Porter
16	Denise Jean Jacques	Richard W. and Nancy N. Jacques
25	Lisa Marie Cardoza	Albert F. and Joanne Cardoza

DECEMBER

3	Kenneth Frederick Milligan	Frederick R. and Jane C. Milligan
21	Gregg Paul Griffin	Darryl J. and Marie M. Griffin
26	Hollie Jean Brochu	Bernard L. and Muriel M. Brochu
28	Ann Marie Furlong	George A. and Beverly A. Furlong

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1969

Date	Name	Age	Residence	By Whom and Where Married
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JANUARY

11	Robert Howard Sears, 20, Upton	Rev. William P. Mullins, Jr.
	June Ann Pike, 19, Upton	Upton

FEBRUARY

8	David Lester Martin, 22, Parkdale, Ore.	Rev. Francis J. Carberry
	Margaret Lee Paille, 21, Upton	Upton
8	Gary Howard French, 20, Upton	Rev. Edward J. Keyes
	Pamela Ann Tuckey, 19, Longmeadow	Longmeadow
15	Chester Whitney Benoit, Jr., 25, Upton	Rev. Louis Bonan
	Angela Maria Casamassa, 22, Milford	Milford
22	Ronald Gibson Egloff, 21, So. Salem, N. Y.	Rev. Robert A. Jackman
	Donna Louise Hofstra, 19, Upton	Upton

28	Robert Roland Mainville, Jr., 22, Upton Dianne Marie St. George, 18, Milford	Rev. Blase Ciambelli Milford
MARCH		
7	Richard Lowell Hammond, 20, Hopedale Paula Ann Stoffel, 16, Upton	Rev. Joseph J. Alen Hopedale
16	Peter Irving Morley, 31, Weswood Catherine Edith Carey, 21, Upton	Rev. Robert A. Jackman Upton
22	John Henry Barringer, 25, Oakham Linda Ruth Frigard, 23, Upton	Rev. Alphonse Volungis So. Barre
29	Wendell Max Swart, 37, Upton Nancy Louise Wright, 29, Upton	Rev. William P. Mullins, Jr. Upton
APRIL		
5	Ronald Francis Nydam, 20, Upton Dianne Elaine Weger, 21, Upton	Rev. John H. Anderson Worcester
12	David Wilson Hebert, 24, Upton Margaret Elizabeth Cameron, 22, Medway	William F. Cavanaugh, J. P. Norfolk
12	Brian Frank Williams, 22, Dudley Louise Rita Croteau, 23, Upton	Rev. Francis J. Carberry Upton
19	Paul Francis Usher, 24, Upton Kathleen Frances Gorman, 22, Upton	Rev. Francis J. Carberry Upton
MAY		
3	Ronald Alfred Desjardins, 23, Framingham Beverly Jean Benoit, 18, Upton	Rev. Robert A. Jackman Upton
24	David James Armstrong, 21, Mendon Brenda Elaine Ramsey, 20, Upton	Rev. Francis J. Carberry Upton
JUNE		
7	Leo Louis Tetreault, Jr., 25 Mendon Margaret Ann Wood, 25, Helotes, Tex.	Rev. Charles DeVries Upton
14	William James DeLang, 27, Uxbridge Linda Ann LeClaire, 20, Upton	Rev. Robert A. Jackman Upton
15	Gordon James Weatherburn, 48 Upon Rose Edna (McNally) Cannavino, 50, Upton	Rev. Joseph W. Beach Worcester
21	Edward Sims Henderson, Jr., 24, Upton Marguerite Marie Josey, 20, Worcester	Rev. John F. Reilly Worcester
21	Roland Henry Lapointe, Jr., 22, Grafton Mary Louise Cormier, 23, Upton	Rev. Francis J. Carberry Upton
28	Hendrik van der Linde, 24, Fredericton, N.B. Patricia Grace Baker, 21, Upton	Rev. Joseph J. Alen Upton
JULY		
5	Robert Edward Newton, 33, Woburn Ann Beth Milford, 28, Watertown	Rev. Robert A. Jackman Upton
12	David Winthrop Skou, 25, Redwood City, Cal. Ellen Jane Nelson, 24, Upton	Rev. Robert A. Jackman Upton

AUGUST

2	Paul Richard Diana, 26, Easton, Conn. Mary Ellen Stockwell, 23, Upton	Rev. Francis J. Carberry Upton
3	Harold Francis Bushnell, Jr., 22, Upton Dorothy Blanche Heney, 19, Northbridge	Rev. Timothee R. Rondeau Northbridge
5	Frank John Dean, Jr., 25, Upton Katherine Lena (Rivers) Osachuk, 26, of Milford	Rev. William P. Mullins, Jr. Upton
8	Richard L. Hinton, 30, Chicopee Theresa C. (Gadoury) Lawson, 21, Upton	Thomas J. Kane Woonsocket, R.I.
12	John Warren Ricker, 22, Upton Pamela Elizabeth Kevorkian, 18, Milford	William F. Cavanaugh, J. P. Norfolk
16	Kenneth Quintin Ragaini, 19, Upton Kristine Marie Bartley, 20, Upton	Rev. Robert A. Jackman Upton
16	Michael Francis Maloney, 24, Rutland Carol Ann Kuczinski, 20, Upton	Rev. Francis J. Carberry Upton
24	James L. Wheatley, Jr., 23, Tewksbury R. Sandra Maynard, 18, Franklin	Rev. Robert A. Jackman Upton
28	Ernest Linwood Aldrich, 56, Upton Doris Evelyn (Wood) LaBounty, 52, Hopkinton	Rev. William P. Mullins, Jr. Upton
30	Robert Stephen Bowman, 20, Upton Susan Brenda Lucier, 20, Upton	Rev. Francis J. Carberry Upton
30	Richard Arthur McKinnon, 24, Upton Kathleen Ann Cooley, 22, Milford	Rev. Robert A. Jackman Upton

SEPTEMBER

6	Thomas Frank Limere, 21, Springfield Lorraine Elizabeth Balch, 21, Upton	Rev. Robert A. Jackman Upton
12	Robert Henry Vander Sluis, 21, Mendon Vicki Ann Mainville, 18, Upton	Rev. Durant T. van Oyen Northbridge
20	Joseph Charles Crowley, 21, Upton Dianne Marie Vicini, 23, Ashland	Rev. George C. Kenrick Ashland
20	Gregory Mark Ferris, 22, Upton Donna Lee Drake, 18, Mendon	Rev. John N. Simpson Hopedale
20	George Allen Thompson, 37, Upton Brenda Ann French, 30, Upton	Rev. Robert A. Jackman Upton

OCTOBER

2	Robert Edward Cummings, 34, Upton April Lee Roberts, 22, Upton	Rev. Robert A. Jackman Upton
3	Peter Paul Coluci, 36, Upton Renee (Langton) Crump, 39 Ashland	William F. Cavanaugh, J. P. Norfolk
4	Paul Arden Randall, Jr., 32, Upton Barbara Jean Bartlett, 25, Milford	Rev. Robert A. Jackman Upton
4	James Lee MacNeil, 20, Hopkinton Marlene Estelle Randall, 21, Upton	Rev. William P. Mullins, Jr. Upton
11	Kenneth Allen Alden, Jr., 21, Upton Mary Elizabeth Iadarola, 23, Milford	Rev. Joseph E. Flood Milford
11	John Francis Langley, 23, Framingham Linda Carol Balch, 22, Upton	Rev. Robert A. Jackman Upton

11	Arthur Francoeur, 44, Grafton Judith Carol Teachout, 34, Upton	Lionel R. Trudeau, J. P. Bellingham
14	Paul William Couture, 25, Upton Nicole Manon DeMontigny, 19, Northbridge	Wesley C. Webster, J. P. Northbridge
25	Johnnie Darwin Kennon, Jr., 18, Upton Kathleen Ann Chapin, 18, Upton	Lionel R. Trudeau, J. P. Bellingham
26	James Moloney, 36, Natick Ruth Ann Erickson, 21, Upton	Rev. Charles A. Gaines Framingham

NOVEMBER

3	Richard Summers Stockwell, 26, Upton Cathy Louise Doyle, 23, Charlemont	Rev. Raymond M. Lepire Greenfield
15	Paul Louis Charbonneau, 21, Framingham Patricia Ann Benoit, 17, Upton	Rev. Francis J. Carberry Upton
27	Ford Reuben Sanborn, 22, Upton Linda Mae Jablonski, 20, Milford	Rev. Robert W. Hannum Milford

DEATHS RECORDED IN UPTON IN 1969

Date of Death	Name	Place of Burial	Age
		Burial	Y M D

JANUARY

3 Gustavus A. Anderson	Lakeview	48	11	14
16 Conceicao (Ferreira) Marques	Milford	65	9	1
19 Russell Willard Wood	Maplewood	50	3	0
26 Annie (Oliver) Bishop of Milford	Milford	76	7	16
28 Rudolph R. Mainini, Jr.	Milford	63	1	27

FEBRUARY

14 Carmen Bonavita	Malden	47	—	—
24 Geraldine N. (Salisbury) Smith	Upton	44	5	25

MARCH

2 Kerry L. Newton	Maplewood	17	5	1
5 Valsorine (DesChamps) Cormier	Lakeview	86	11	—
6 Clara (Perron) Kane	Lakeview	85	8	23
28 Henry Holman Wood	Maplewood	77	5	2

APRIL

21 Emma Martha Bailey	Maplewood	78	8	16
23 Marion E. (Davis) Taft	Rural Crematory			
	Worcester	83	10	26

MAY

26 Mildred (Newbert) Clossen	Lakeview	73	9	8
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JUNE

6 James Fox Gorman	Lakeview	67	1	6
13 Sarah or (Sadie) (Alexander) Thompson	Lakeview	77	8	26
30 Ormand Arnold Bates	Lakeview	54	2	17

JULY

5 Helen (Murphy) Tuttle	Lakeview	75	5	26
5 Pearl (Stearns) Scott	Hopkinton	69	2	16
7 Effie (Kundersma) Wynja	Northbridge	88	1	2
10 Ward Robinson	Boston	79	—	—

AUGUST

18 Joseph Kearnan	Lakeview	57	11	17
22 Edith Blanche (Frink) Piddington, Milford	Andover	90	11	17
26 Nella O. (Simonds) Boss	Lakeview	80	7	29

SEPTEMBER

14 Eva K. (Herman) Evans	Lakeview	84	0	22
25 (Boy) Shea	Milford	—	—	1

OCTOBER

14 Francis Ambrose Sliney of Mansfield	Mansfield	71	—	29
15 Lloyd A. MacKenna, Jr.	Maplewood	33	5	4
25 Lora E. (Davee) Dearth	Maplewood	92	2	14
27 John P. Morris	Lakeview	57	—	—

NOVEMBER

8 Henry Zajac	Lakeview	57	3	24
14 Maude E. (Bates) Hilliard	Lakeview	83	3	1

DECEMBER

25 Azarias Rivard	Lakeview	72	2	13
25 Charles A. Barton	Lakeview	77	9	6
27 James E. French	Lakeview	56	5	14
31 Charles Henry Aldrich	Lakeview	44	10	6

Lakeview Cemetery

PERSONS BROUGHT TO UPTON FOR BURIAL IN 1969

Date of Death	Name	Place of Death	Age
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FEBRUARY

	Philomene LaPlante	Providence,	
27	Tonya Lee Deluca	R. I.	76 — —
		Mendon	— 227

MARCH

1	John Ragaini	Fort Myers Beach,	
31	Isabel Angeline (White) Macker	Fla.	75 — —
		South Kingston	
		R. I.	86 — —

MAY

25	Florence G. Snow	East Sandwich,	
		Mass.	74 516

JULY

17	Millie (Wellington) Chapin	Hopedale	98 928
30	Gladys Fay Wood	Brookline	75 1016

AUGUST

30	Charles E. O'Connell	Southboro	80 1022
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SEPTEMBER

16	Florence M. Sears	Ludlow,	
		Mass.	66 — —

OCTOBER

4	Grace Poor	E. Providence,	
4	Robert Mainville, Jr.	R. I.	78 — —
		Millis	23 2 2

17 Harold S. Goodrich	Schoharie, N. Y.
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74 -- -

NOVEMBER

2 Amelia Catherine Lamanuzzi	Tucson
15 Charlotte M. Jack	Ariz. 78 -- -

Worcester 85 6 9

DECEMBER

24 Charles Isaac Adams	Springfield, Mass. 80 11 9
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Maplewood Cemetery

PERSONS BROUGHT TO UPTON FOR BURIAL IN 1969

Date of Death	Name	Place of Death	Age
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Y M D

JUNE

24 Eliza C. (Knowlton) Keith	Worcester	100	3	9
30 Mary E. Norris	Worcester	67	—	—

NOVEMBER

19 William Craib	Worcester	88	5	13
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LICENSES ISSUED THROUGH OFFICE OF TOWN CLERK

DOG LICENSES

During 1969 there were 471 dogs licensed.

From January 1, 1969 to April 1, 1969 there were six 1968-69 licenses issued — one Male, one Female and four Spayed Females.

From April 1, 1969 through December 31, 1969, 246 Males, 68 Females, 151 Spayed Females, — total 465.

Kennel Licenses: Three (\$25 each) and Two (\$10 each).

Paid to Town Treasurer: \$1125.00

Every dog THREE MONTHS OLD must be licensed and tagged.

FISH AND GAME LICENSES

During 1969 there were 462 Licenses issued plus 5 Archery Deer Stamps (bow and arrow hunting season). The high sale was partly due to the clerk's office being open Patriots' Day, Saturday, April 19, when trout fishing season opened. Several sportsmen coming from other cities and towns to obtain their license.

Issued in 1969: 148 Men's Fishing, 88 Hunting, 94 Sporting, 34 Minor's Fishing, 29 Women's Fishing, 5 Non-Resident (7-days) Fishing, 1 Non-Resident Fishing (year), 8 Duplicates, 43 Sporting-Trapping (free to citizen, 70 years old or more), 12 Military Service-Sporting, free. Paid to Division of Fisheries & Game \$2,193.50.

CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION

Collected for 9 Certificates of Registration to sell gasoline; 3 raffle and bazaar permits; 8 town maps; 10 street lists; 1 liquor purchase identification card. Paid to Town Treasurer, \$58.50.

REPORT OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The Board of Selectmen met following the adjourned annual Town Meeting on March 8, 1969. Ernest B. Porter was elected Chairman of the Board with other appointments as follows:

Clerk of the Board — Mrs. Celestine I. Mason
Town Counsel — Jacob Oppewal of Whitinsville (resigned)
Robert J. Gallagher of Westboro
Acting Chief of Police — Rodney B. Marchand
Central Mass. Regional Planning
Commission Delegate — Paul V. Swanson

Another year has passed and our school situation still remains our major problem with double sessions in both Junior and Senior High School and no apparent solution in sight.

Rudolph J. Scholl resigned as Police Chief in July and Rodney Marchand was subsequently made Chief with Samuel Aldrich as Sergeant and Stewart Whitney as permanent full-time patrolman.

The renovation program for the Town Hall has been continued this past year with the exterior trim being painted and the painting of the basement area.

Town Counsel Jacob Oppewal submitted his resignation during the year and Robert J. Gallagher, Summer St., Westboro was appointed to fill this position until the March 1970 appointments are again made.

As another decade closes, the Town of Upton has taken steps to correct part of its sewerage problem by voting to construct a new sewage treatment plant and interceptor sewer capable of taking care of the town's sewage for years to come. Alonzo B. Reed, Inc. has been engaged as the Consulting Engineers and as supervisors of the work on the new system.

Once again the Board thanks all the town departments for their cooperation during the past year. Special thanks goes to the Finance Committee for their efforts to keep any increase in our tax rate to a minimum. Because of the ever increasing rate in most department budgets, we should give special and careful considerations to the recommendations of this committee.

Respectfully submitted,
ERNEST B. PORTER, *Chairman*
JAMES J. GALLAGHER
HAROLD F. FRANCIS

IN MEMORIAM

RUSSELL WILLARD WOOD



Member of

Zoning Appeal Board

1965-1969

Map Technician for Board
Disabled World War II Veteran
Served in South Pacific Area

Born in Upton, October 19, 1918

Died in Veterans Administration Hospital
at West Roxbury, January 19, 1969

REPORT OF BOARD OF APPEALS

Robert M. Stuart was moved up from the Associate Board of Appeals to a regular member on March 4, 1969 to fill the unexpired term of Russell W. Wood who passed away. Mr. Wood served faithfully since April 12, 1965. He was Map Technician since 1966. Donald Wellman sat in on one hearing before Mr. Stuart's appointment but declined an appointment as a regular member.

The Board reorganized in May with Arthur M. Bartlett again chairman, and Mrs. Celestine I. Mason reappointed Clerk.

Nine hearings were given and six of these granted. The Board unanimously felt it to be in the best interests of the town, and within its jurisdiction to refuse the other three requests for variances.

Three additional requests for hearings were filed with the Board but withdrawn.

The Board sincerely thanks the Building Inspector, Planning Board, and others who have cooperated in any way.

ARTHUR M. BARTLETT, *Chairman*
FORREST P. SALISBURY
ROBERT M. STUART

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE

To Board of Selectmen:

During the year 1969 your Civil Defense organization has been operating its usual monthly communications check-ins on the first Monday nights of each month at 7.30 P.M. with the Sector 3B communications Center which is now located in Whitinsville U.S. Post Office building at 44 Church St. Tel. 234-3277.

The new Sector 3B Director is Ernest R. Coombs retired from the U.S. Air Force and he is available at any time. Residence Tel. 772-2875. His Secretary is Mrs. Ana DeHass. We have had a number of meetings with Mr. Coombs.

We also have been active in emergencies the Town has had during the year: namely have pumped out cellars, and provided power where there has been power failures. We have flooded some pond areas for skaters. Our equipment is in good condition and ready for any emergency.

We have also purchased some surplus material & equipment from Myles Standish, Taunton Warehouse. The Auxiliary Police have been very cooperative. Thanks are extended to the Board of Selectmen, Town Clerk, Finance Committee, Police Department, Eugene Whiting, Joseph Deering, Gerald Shaughnessy, Wilfred Fowler Tel. 473-9403, and others for their cooperation.

The Civil Defense Area 3 Headquarters is located at Westboro, Mass., and Harold Rossi is the Area 3 Director, Tel. 1-366-5321.

Respectfully submitted
GEORGE W. GREBENSTEIN
Upton Civil Defense Director
Tel. 529-6561

IN MEMORIAM

HENRY HOLMAN WOOD



Assessor of Taxes

1930-1935

Road Commissioner

1935-1942

Born in Upton, October 26, 1891

Died in Milford Hospital, March 28, 1969

**REPORT OF
BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

January 7, 1970

The Honorable Board of Selectmen
Upton,
Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

We submit herewith a recapitulation of the figures used in fixing the tax rate for the year 1969:

Total appropriations	\$888,740.74
Overdrafts: Cemetery Fund	2.90
Damage to Person & Property	190.00
West Hill Dam Project	688.25
Interest	406.66
OAA Recovery Reimbursement	261.56
Snow & Ice Removal	25,000.00
	26,549.37
Regional Planning	250.16
Deficits Due to Abatements in Excess of Overlay	575.50
School Lunches and Libraries	3,889.86
State Tax and Assessments	5,380.96
County Tax and Assessments	24,263.77
Overlay of Current Year	35,000.00
Gross Amount to be Raised	<u>\$984,650.36</u>
Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	\$313,304.33
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation on Property	\$634,567.78
Valuation: Personal Property	\$ 1,116,732.00
Real Estate	<u>\$12,103,430.00</u>
Total Valuation	<u>\$13,220,162.00</u>
Expenses:	
Appropriated	\$900.00
Expended: Abstracts and Deeds	\$337.25
State Required Forms	57.20
Envelopes & Postage	97.95

Repairs	38.50
Supplies, dues, mileage	
box rent	<u>442.36</u>
Total Expenses	\$973.26
Clerk Salary	
Appropriated	\$1,200.00
Expended	\$1,200.00
Town Warrant Article: To purchase fireproof file	
Appropriated	\$211.00
Expended: Palley Office Supply	\$211.00

**REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT
OF
VETERANS' SERVICES**

Appropriations	\$22,000.00
Sundries, Cash allocated to persons	\$17,980.01
Balance on hand January 1, 1970	\$ 4,019.99
Estimated State Reimbursements for 1969	\$ 8,990.00

ADMINISTRATIVE COST FOR 1969

Salary of Agent	\$ 750.00
Expenses, appropriation	\$ 600.00
Total expenses, 1969	\$ 1,350.00
Balance on January 1, 1970	.00
Grand total for 1969, this department	\$19,330.01
Estimated State Reimbursements	\$ 8,990.00
Net estimated cost to the Town	\$10,340.01
Tax rate cost, estimated	.78
Estimated percentage of Town Budget	1.65%

Respectfully submitted,
SAMUEL NAHRA, JR., *Director*
Veterans' Services

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Registrars of Voters conducted seven registration sessions in Town Hall totaling 46 hours with 10 new names registered and two re-registered because of change of name by marriage.

Ten-hour sessions were Jan. 8, Feb. 11, May 10 and Dec. 27, 1969. Two-hour sessions, Jan. 22, Jan. 27 and Feb. 8, 1969.

From annual town election-town meeting last March to January 1, 1970 there were nine voters registered in the Town Clerk's office.

Only five new voters and one re-registered by change of name during the required three 10-hour sessions before a special town meeting (Acts of 1967, Chapter 763.)

At close of registration, Feb. 11, 1969 before annual town election there were 1684 voters: Republicans 677; Democrats 317 and Independents 690.

GEORGE G. NEWTON
Clerk

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Physican	Dr. Christian W. Aussenheimer
Nurse	Marjorie R. Wilcock, R. N.
Clerk	Dorothy J. Bradley
Animal Inspector	Esther K. Bird
Inspector of Slaughtering	Esther K. Bird
Milk Inspector	Arthur F. Bartlett, Jr.
Agent	Thomas L. Francis
Assistant Agent	George M. Carlson
Burial Agent	George G. Newton
Plumbing Inspector	George M. Carlson
Assistant Plumbing Inspector	Walter A. Hopkins
Dump Custodian	Amos B. Johnson

The Board of Health met regularly on the third Wednesday of each month during 1969 with the exception of July. There was also one special organizational meeting.

All complaints received by the Board were honored. Complaints must be in writing or made by an appearance at the Board of Health meeting.

The Board would like to express their appreciation to the townspeople, all Town Departments and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health for their cooperation in the improved condition of the town dump. The function of the town dump has been more efficient with the use of the landfill method recommended by the Department of Public Health, and the gradual discontinuance of burning, also with services of a dump custodian. With these changes in effect it must be expected that an increase in maintenance costs are inevitable.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD C. ST. ANDRE, *Chairman*

ROBERT F. RAMSEY, *Treasurer*

ALVIN P. NICHOLS

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING REPORT

It is with pleasure that I submit my third annual report. There were 1295 visits made on 308 days to 203 patients in 1969 sub-divided as follows:

Maternity	84
Health Promotion	175
Disease Control	1036

Fifteen Immunization Clinics were held with the addition of Mumps for Grades I through VI, and Rubella (german measles) for Grades I through III, to the routine annual immunizations.

As a Certified Home Health Agency under Medicare this service has functioned at minimum cost with a net operational cost of less than half the quoted 1967 estimated regionalization figure. Supervisory Service is provided by the Community Nursing Association of Grafton and Medical Social Work Services by St. Vincent Hospital of Worcester, both of which have assisted in improving this department.

Receipts to Town Treasurer:

Medicare	\$3,095.40
Veterans' Administration	327.00
Welfare Service	1,421.80
Miscellaneous, cash fees	421.41
Total	\$5,265.61

I would like to express my appreciation, for the cooperation and assistance shown this department, by the Board of Health, all other Town Departments, Miss M. Claire Donohue, R. N. of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, Advisory-Evaluation Committee, Mrs. Kenneth Young, R. N., and Mrs. Donald Keniston, R. N. relief nurses.

Respectfully submitted,
MARJORIE R. WILCOCK. R. N.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH AGENT

I hereby submit my report as Board of Health Agent for the year ending December 31, 1969.

I issued (27) twenty-seven sewage permits, (20) twenty inspections, and (1) one complaint.

Bath area water samples were picked up twice a month from June 10, through August 19, at Pratt Pond, Lake Wildwood, and Taft Pond and then were brought to Rutland. All samples during the year were satisfactory.

Hopedale Board of Health Agent and Mendon Board of Health shared the transportation responsibilities of the water samples to Rutland.

Deposited (\$135.00) one hundred thirty-five dollars to the Town Treasurer for sewage permits.

Respectfully submitted,
THOMAS FRANCIS
Board of Health Agent

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

I hereby submit my report as Inspector of Animals for the year ending December 31, 1969.

Number of dairy cows over two years	5
Number of dairy heifers one to two years	18
Number of dairy heifers calves under one year	2
Number of dairy bulls	4
Number of dairy herds	6
Number of beef cattle	33
Number of beef herds (one animal constitutes a herd)	5
Number of horses (includes work horses and saddle horses)	35
Number of ponies	56
Number of donkeys	3
Number of goats	6
Number of sheep	28
Number of swine	129
Number of swine herds (one animal constitutes a herd)	3
Number of places inspected	41

Respectfully submitted,
ESTHER K. BIRD
Inspector of Animals

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

December 31, 1969
No Slaughtering.

ESTHER K. BIRD
Inspector of Slaughtering

REPORT OF PLUMBING INSPECTOR

December 31, 1969

Board of Health
Upton, Mass.

There was a total of 50 Plumbing Permits issued for the Year 1969.

There was a total of \$289.00 collected on all permits and turned over to the Town Treasurer.

GEROGE M. CARLSON
Plumbing Inspector

IN MEMORIAM

JAMES FOX GORMAN



Trustee of Public Library

March, 1953 — June, 1969

Member of Memorial School Addition Committee

Born: April 30, 1902 in Upton

Graduate of Upton High School, Class of 1919

Died in the Memorial Hospital, Worcester, June 6, 1969

REPORT OF UPTON HISTORICAL COMMISSION

We submit herewith our sixth annual report. The commission has acquired a four-tier metal filing cabinet which will permit the storage of memorabilia in paper form and unframed pictures. The cabinet is located on the stage in Upper Town Hall, which quarters have been assigned by selectmen as a meeting place for the Historical Society.

Our major 1970 project will be the publication of a new hard-cover town history which will take up the story of Upton since 1935. The Bicentennial edition will be supplemented to permit the addition of events of import since that time. More pictures will be added.

This project will be undertaken with permission of selectmen and the assistance of a corps of writers and editors from the Historical Society.

Donors of Upton lore and artifacts during the past year included: Mrs. Sarah Wood, Kendall W. Wood, Mrs. Robert Bailey, George G. Newton, Mrs. Celestine Mason and Henry C. Walker.

CHESTER W. WALKER, *Chairman*
ERNEST W. RAMSEY, *Clerk*
H. DANIEL FAY, *Treasurer*

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

To the Trustees of the Upton Town Library:

The librarian herewith respectfully submits her annual report.

The Dr. Carpenter alcove has had books added to it as required.

Gifts of magazines and books have been received from the Kiwanis Club, the American Legion, the Massachusetts Regional Library System, the Bancroft Memorial Library, the American Cancer Society, the Worcester County National Bank, Mrs. Russell Burke, Mrs. Daniel Fitzpatrick, Mrs. Merrill White, Mrs. Craig Francis, and Mr. Austin McLaughlin.

Monthly loans from the Bookmobile, from the Worcester Regional Library have greatly augmented our book collection.

Mrs. Clarence Forsberg had a Christmas story hour for the young children that was well attended.

For the convenience of students on double sessions, the library now is open Wednesday mornings from 9 to 11:30 A. M.

She wishes to thank all the organizations and individuals for their gifts to the library, the townspeople for their sustained patronage, Miss Terrill Gadde and Miss Karen Rooney for their kind assistance, and the Trustees for their generous support.

Respectfully submitted,
 AMELIA AKERSON
Librarian

Library Statistics

	1968	1969
Days Library open	201	199
Circulation:		
Volumes of adult fiction	4,242	4,590
Volumes of adult non-fiction	2,677	3,650
Volumes of children's fiction	4,133	3,964
Volumes of children's non-fiction	1,322	1,806
Sound recordings	231	256
Films	8	20
Total	12,619	14,286
Volumes added during 1969:		
By gift	72	
By purchase	80	
Fines collected on overdue books		\$19.56
Amount paid to Town		\$19.56

Library Hours

Monday 2:30-5:30 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m.
 Wednesday 9-11:30 a.m. and 2:30-5:30 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m.
 Friday 2:30-5:30 p.m.
 Saturday 10:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

Gift Books

Fiction	
Aird, C.	Henrietta Who?
Benson, B.	Seven Steps East
Christie, A.	By the Pricking of My Thumbs
Dryer, B.	The Torch Bearers, a Novel
Francis, D.	Flying Finish
Holton, L.	Out of The Depths
Hyams, E.	A Perfect Stranger
Kemelman, H.	Sunday The Rabbi Stayed Home
Kenyon, M.	The Trouble With Series Three
Lockridge, R.	Die Laughing
Lockridge, R.	A Plate of Red Herrings
Marric, J.	Gideon's River
Masur, H.	The Legacy Lenders
Morrow, S.	The Outsiders
Murray, J.	The Devil Walks on Water
Puzo, M.	The Godfather, a Novel
Queen, E.	Cop Out
Wallop, D.	The Good Life
West, J.	The Happy Hollisterseries (16)
West, M.	The Devil's Advocate
Yerby, F.	Pride's Castle

Nonfiction

Backer, C. Ernest Hemingway, A Life Story

Brimer, J. Designs for Outdoor Living

Cancer, a Manual for Practitioners

Congressional Directory

Dimsdale, T. The Vigilantes of Montana

Djilas, M. Conversations with Stalin

Europa The World of Learning

Europa Yearbook—1967

Farmer, G. Massachusetts the Anatomy of Quality

Fayer, M. Basic Russian

Fischman, W. The Week-End Builder

Fletcher, G. Earth Science

Fuller, G. Analytic Geometry

Ginsburg, R. Primera Vista, Spanish

Hines, T. Our Latin Heritage

Holy Bible, Catholic
Josephson, M. Edison

McGraw-Hill Directory and Almanac of Canada

Mallaery, ed. Political Handbook and Atlas of the World

Menninger, K. The Crime of Punishment

Pimental, G. Chemistry, and Experimental Science

Racine, J. Phaedra

Roueche, B. A Man Named Hoffman

Servan-Schreiber, J.
 American Challenge
 Willing's European Press Guide
 Writers and Artists Yearbook—1968

TOWN LIBRARY

1969 TREASURER'S REPORT

Resources:

Town appropriation	\$1,800.00
Charlotte A. Batchelor fund	239.05
Dr. Carpenter fund	48.66
State grant in aid	<u>781.75</u>

\$2,869.46

Expenditures:

Librarian — Amelia Akerson	1,500.00
Library helpers:	
Terrill Gadde	213.75
Karen Rooney	89.25
Books	303.00
Magazines & Periodicals	583.51
Telephone service	93.85
Supplies & expenses	<u>100.90</u>

\$2,884.26

Excess to be drawn from Shultz Fund

\$ 14.80

SHULTZ FUND

Balance on Hand, Jan. 1, 1969	\$293.32
Dividends, 1969	<u>97.28</u>

Expended for Books	\$390.60
Unexpended Balance, Dec. 31, 1969	<u>14.80</u>

\$375.80

Respectfully submitted,
 NORMA L. TAFT
Treasurer, Library Trustees

REPORT OF MODERATOR

In 1969 as Moderator for the Town of Upton I presided at a special meeting on January 11, 1969, the adjourned annual Town meeting on March 8, and special meetings on May 13 and December 30, 1969.

At this time I wish to thank all Town Officers for any assistance given me and for the courtesy of the voters at these meetings.

Sincerely submitted,
GEORGE W. BURNHAM
Moderator

REPORT OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

Appropriation	\$ 500.00
Summer Recreation Program	
Equipment	<u>500.00</u>
Balance	\$.00
Appropriation	\$1,500.00
Summer Playground Program	
Supplies	283.78
Bus hire	105.00
Labor	<u>1,077.99</u>
Balance	\$ 23.23
Appropriation	\$360.00
Summer Youth Program	
Director	300.00
Expenses	<u>60.00</u>
Balance	\$.00
Appropriation	\$850.00
Tennis Court fence bid	<u>635.00</u>
Balance	\$215.00
Appropriation	\$400.00
Park Dept.	
Maintenance & Labor	<u>394.68</u>
Balance	\$ 5.32

ARTHUR K. McCARTY, *Chairman*
 STEWART WHITNEY, *Clerk*
 EDWARD ROCK

**REPORT OF
UPTON FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Expenditures	
Appropriation, for Forestry Hose	\$300.00
Paid to Charles H. Clougherty Co.	<u></u>
	\$300.00

FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation	\$1,200.00
Transfer	<u>537.68</u>
	\$1,737.68

Expenditures	
65 Forest Fires	\$1,292.00
Charles H. Clougherty, Supplies	150.59
Libbeys Service Center, Gas & Oil	89.51
International Harvester Co., Labor & Supplies	86.76
Jack Young Co., Inc., Supplies	31.82
Dan-Dee Back Shoppe, Supplies	11.22
Farra Company, Supplies	15.85
Perrons Market, Supplies	6.07
Robert Prentiss, Supplies	5.05
Thomas Francis, Supplies	8.36
Texaco Co., Gas	4.95
Kennedy Press, Supplies	7.50
James Gilchrist, Supplies	3.00
Walter Stank, Issuing Fire permits & posting notices	<u>25.00</u>
Total expended	<u></u>
	\$1,737.68

Number of Fire Calls	65
Number of Incinerator Fires	14
Number of Incendiary Fires	29
Number of permits issued	746
Burning without a permit	5
Miscellaneous calls	3
Children playing with matches	7
Aided other Towns	2

Respectfully submitted,
WALTER STANK
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF BUILDING INSPECTOR

Dear Sir:

There has been a total of 33 permits issued in 1969. This is down 12 permits over 1968 permits issued.

PERMITS ISSUED

New Homes	17
Additions	7
Garages	4
Porches	4
Signs	1
	33
Total	33

Note 1968 13 permits for new homes & a total of 45 permits issued.

BUDGET

Appropriated	
Salary	\$150.00
Expense Account	<u>150.00</u>
Total	\$300.00
Expended	
Salary	\$150.00
Expenses	<u>149.00</u>
	\$299.00
Balance	1.00

All monthly State reports are in & filed.

Respectfully,
 RODNEY B. MARCHAND
Building Inspector

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Once again I end another year serving the people of Upton and the Police Dept. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the residents of Upton and Board of Selectmen.

It has been an honor and I am proud to serve the town as its Chief of Police. I also wish to thank the members of the Police Dept. and the Auxiliary Police officers. The Auxiliary officers have been of great assistance to the department and the town of Upton.

Introduced in 1969, a cruiser ambulance, equipped with oxygen for emergency service. Also full time officers are attending six weeks of a police training course at Worcester Police Academy.

The following recommendations for 1970.

The numbering of buildings in Upton, both business and homes.

Posted speed signs at Hartford Ave., High St., Hopkinton Rd., and also posted and marked crosswalks at West Upton housing for the elderly.

And for the town to install suitable flood lights at the town hall and Williams Funeral Home, for traffic officer and pedestrians.

Respectfully submitted,
 RODNEY B. MARCHAND
Chief of Police

1969 DEPARTMENT EXPENSES

Salaries	
Chief	\$ 7,200.00
Sergeant	6,600.00
Patrolman	6,000.00
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Total	\$19,800.00

Receipts	
Fees	
1 Gun Dealer Licenses	\$ 20.00
50 Pistol Permits	100.00
129 Gun Registration Cards	258.00
47 Bicycles Registrations	11.75
Miscellaneous	128.60
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Total	\$518.35

Summary of Expenses

Salaries	
Chief	\$ 7,200.00
Sergeant	6,600.00
Patrolman	6,000.00
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	\$19,800.00
Expenses	
Churches	\$ 598.15
Schools	685.90
Telephones (3)	646.51
Dues & Supplies	580.62
Cruiser Cost of Operation	3,234.22
General Expenses	5,561.90
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	\$11,306.90
Total Department Salaries & Expenses	\$31,106.90

Very truly yours,
 RODNEY B. MARCHAND
Chief of Police

1969 VIOLATIONS

Motor Vehicles	
Parking tags	99
Equipment tags	84
Citations Total*	236
(*) warnings	172
Court Complaints	56
Arrests	8
Auto Accidents	114
Fatal Accidents	1
Lic. Susp. by Registry	42
Minor Trans. Liquor	3
Other	
Assistance to distressed persons	46
Hospital Trips	9
Prowler Calls	14
Vandalism	20

Stolen Autos	5
Stolen Autos Recovered	10
Stolen Boat	1
Stolen Bicycles	4
Stolen Bicycles Recovered	3
Missing Persons Reported	3
Assault & Battery	5
Disturbances Quelled	38
Larceny	13
Robbery	None
Break & Entering	15
Summons	110
Arrests	33
General Complaints	967

Very truly yours,
 RODNEY B. MERCHANT
Chief of Police

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER
January 1, 1969 to December 31, 1969

Appropriation	\$500.00
87 Dog Complaints	
36 Stray dogs picked up	
10 Dogs destroyed	
7 Dogs turned over to Harvard Research	
4 Dogs placed in homes	
15 Dogs returned to owners	
15 Dogs killed by cars	
10 Dog bites reported	
200 Unlicensed dog checked	
1 Permanent restraint orders	
Maintenance on kennel	\$91.75
Upton Mimeograph	3.00
Boarding of dogs	395.40
Salary	<u>200.00</u>
Total	\$690.15
Balance	\$ 9.85

STEWART A. WHITNEY
Dog Officer

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

General appropriation	\$4,700.00	
Interest	2,792.24	
Care and Improvement	300.00	
Machinery Fund	225.00	
 Total	 \$8,017.24	
 Expenditures:	 General	 Interest
Supt. of Labor, Edward Gurry	\$1,140.20	\$627.20
Aubrey Ballou	1,350.80	712.00
Wallace Kozak	612.50	203.75
Upton Fuel & Construction Co.	630.75	340.00
Upton Hardware	14.97	
Raymond K. Smith	134.40	16.00
Ernest Taft	3.20	3.20
Willard Brown	75.00	
Woodie's Green house	12.60	
Walter Hopkins & Son	30.20	
Libbey's Service Center	151.85	
Suburban Power & Equip.	377.80	71.90
Whitinsville Monument	75.00	
Casey Insurance	3.00	3.00
 Total Expended	 \$4,612.27	 \$1,977.05
Balance	87.73	815.19

Other Expenditures

Care and Improvement

Upton Fuel & Construction Co.	\$300.00
Balance 1 - 1 - 70	300.00

Machinery Fund

Suburban Power Equipment	\$225.00
Balance	.00

Cemetery Income

Burials	\$1,545.00
Sale of Lots	225.00
Annual Care	<u>122.00</u>
	1,892.00
	\$1,892.00

Perpetual Care

Mrs. Anna S. Rano	\$100.00
Curran Funeral Home	100.00
Agnes E. Bates	150.00
Robert Blackburn	155.00
Mrs. Donald E. Laberge	100.00
Eugene Closson	75.00
Gaston & Claire Dufresne	\$ 75.00
Mrs. Alice Ray	100.00
Dorothea Childs	115.00
Mrs. Mildred Varney	155.00
George Holms (on account)	10.00
Pearl Lord (balance)	50.00
Dorothy Balch (on account)	50.00
Carolyn C. McNeal (on account)	25.00
Total Income	\$1,260.00
	\$3,152.00

Respectfully submitted,
 RAYMOND K. SMITH
 WILLIAM H. SADLER
 EDWARD GURRY

REPORT OF THE WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS

For the year ending December 31, 1969

To the Board of Selectmen
Town of Upton

We submit the following report of the Water and Sewer Department for the year of 1969:

During the year, 65,192,200 gallons of water was pumped, with the month of June being the highest with 7,896,800 gallons, and November being the lowest with 4,345,600 gallons.

At this time we wish to thank the Townspeople for their cooperation.

Hydrants	82
Water Customers	488
Sewer Customers	73
New Services Installed	7
Number of meters in use	466

Water Receipts:

Outstanding, December 31, 1968	\$ 5,405.57
Water Service committed in 1969	<u>22,357.49</u>
\$27,763.06	

Water abated in 1969	166.69
Water outstanding, December 31, 1969	<u>3,974.78</u>
4,141.47	

Total Water Receipts for 1969	\$23,621.59
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Sewer Receipts:

Outstanding, December 31, 1968	\$ 733.00
Sewer Service committed in 1969	<u>3,646.54</u>
\$ 4,379.54	

Sewer abated in 1969	68.41
Sewer outstanding, December 31, 1969	<u>714.00</u>
782.41	

Total Sewer Receipts for 1969	\$ 3,597.13
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Service Charges	\$ 475.00	
1969 Receipts		\$ 475.00
Hydrant Rental	\$ 5,925.00	
1969 Receipts		\$ 5,925.00
Water Service to Hydrant	\$ 150.00	
1969 Receipts		\$ 150.00
Sprinkler System Charges	\$ 380.00	
1969 Receipts		\$ 380.00
Frozen Meter Repair Charge	\$ 8.60	
1969 Receipts		\$ 8.60
Broken Hydrant Claim	\$ 82.00	
1969 Receipts		\$ 82.00
Turning On and Off Water Charges:		
Outstanding, December 31, 1968	\$ 6.00	
Outstanding, December 31, 1969	4.00	
1969 Receipts		\$ 2.00
Total Water and Sewer Dept. Receipts for year ending December 31, 1969		\$34,241.32
Betterment Assessments:		
Outstanding, December 31, 1968	\$4,370.31	
Outstanding, December 31, 1969	3,236.89	
		\$ 1,133.42
Water Liens committed in 1969	\$2,184.89	
Sewer Liens committed in 1969	391.50	
Service Charge Lien committed in 1969	30.35	
Water Mains Extension Account:		
1968 Balance	\$8,656.32	
Appropriation	4,000.00	
		\$12,656.32
Expended	\$1,059.02	
Unexpended balance		\$11,597.30

Water & Sewer Maintenance Account:

Appropriation	\$9,355.00
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Expenditures:

Electricity	\$3,114.20
Equipment and Supplies	3,506.17
Labor	504.51
Pipe and Fittings	840.49
Meter Repairs	292.20
New Meters	811.04
Real Estate Tax, Northbridge	<u>35.00</u>

	\$9,103.61
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Transfer to Expense Account	<u>250.00</u>
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	\$9,353.61
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Unexpended balance	<u>\$ 1.39</u>
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Expense Account:

Appropriation	\$ 200.00
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Transfer from Maintenance Account for typewriter	<u>250.00</u>
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	\$ 450.00
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Expended	\$ 450.00
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Clerk Salary:

Appropriation	\$ 650.00
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Expended	\$ 650.00
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Superintendent Salary:

Appropriation	\$1,250.00
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Expended	\$1,250.00
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Extraordinary Expense:

Appropriation	\$ 130.00
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Expended	<u>\$ 129.50</u>
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Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS L. FRANCIS, *Chairman*

SAMUEL E. ALDRICH

GEORGE E. NYDAM

**ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
BLACKSTONE VALLEY VOCATIONAL REGIONAL
DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE
FOR THE
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1969**

DIRECTORY OF THE BLACKSTONE VALLEY REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL SCHOOL

School Committee

Edward S. Henderson, Chairman	Upton
L. Wayne Gilley, Vice-Chairman	Douglas
Gerald Burke	Bellingham
Matthew C. Krajewski	Blackstone
Roland C. Hallen	Grafton
Roger V. Burns	Hopedale
J. Gerard Sweeney	Mendon
Anthony E. Allegrezza	Milford
Leodore J. Tebo, Jr.	Millbury
Nelson H. Morin	Millville
Edward B. Postma	Northbridge
Kelton D. Johnson	Sutton
Herman Buma	Uxbridge
Arthur C. Young, Secretary-Treasurer	Hopedale
Kevin R. Sherin, Legal Counsel	Uxbridge

Superintendent-Director

Paul J. Sullivan Office	Telephone 529-7758 Pleasant Street Upton
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Regular School Committee meetings are held at the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

During the year of 1969 the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional District School Committee held eleven regular meetings and four special meetings.

The following were elected to serve on the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional District School Committee at their respective annual town meeting:

Anthony E. Allegrezza, Milford	1 year (Balance of James E. Kellett's term.)
Roger V. Burns, Hopedale	3 years
Leodore J. Tebo, Jr., Millbury	3 years
Edward B. Postma, Northbridge	3 years
Kelton D. Johnson, Sutton	3 years

On April 17, 1969 the Regional School Committee members met and selected their officers for the ensuing year. The following were elected:

Edward S. Henderson, Chairman
L. Wayne Gilley, Vice-Chairman
Arthur C. Young, Secretary-Treasurer
Kevin R. Sherin, Legal Counsel

DAY PROGRAM

A. January – June 1969

1. Enrollment

At the beginning of 1969, 108 boys were in the junior class, 107 in the sophomore class and 106 were in the freshman class at the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School. The number of students in each of the departments was as follows: 34 in Auto Body, 34 in Auto Mechanics, 36 in Mill and House Carpentry, 38 in Drafting, 39 in Electronics, 73 in Machine Shop, 38 in Metal Fabrication and 20 in Plant Maintenance.

2. Exploratory Program

In previous years we have devoted the first semester of the freshman year to exploratory programs for all of the first year students. We gave them the opportunity to spend two weeks in each of the eight departments so that they would have some knowledge of and experience in each of the programs offered by the school. After the exploratory program they were given the opportunity to change the course which they had selected before the start of the school year, based upon their interest and aptitude tests. We found that less than 10% of the students wanted to change their choice; most of them felt that they would rather devote the time to the course they originally selected. Therefore, this year we revised our program so that the boys that were undecided as to their choice of course went into the exploratory program.

3. Pupil Selection for the Fall of 1969

During the months of January and February all the schools in the member towns were visited by the Guidance Director in order to give information to the boys in the eighth grade about the courses that are offered at the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School. Applications were distributed and the students were requested to indicate their first, second, and third choices among the courses offered. Specially designed information forms were given to each school administrator, to be completed for each boy who planned to make application for admission to the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School.

At a later date applicant groups from the various towns were brought to the school so that they could visit each of the departments and actually see the program in operation. During the day they were given a series of aptitude tests involving verbal reasoning, numerical ability, mechanical reasoning, abstract reasoning, and spatial relations. The scores on the above tests and the information sheet provided by the sending school were evaluated in order to produce a profile of each applicant's characteristics. Each applicant's profile was recorded on a compilation sheet which served to identify the most qualified students in each town. Every effort was made to admit the best qualified boys in each town, to give them their course preference, to distribute the courses as equally as possible among the towns, and to select each boy for the course in which he appeared to have the best chance of success. Due to the lack of space we were able to admit only 132 boys out of the 374 that applied for admission.

4. Expansion of the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School

In the Fall of 1968 the School Committee voted to build an addition that would make it possible to admit more students in September of 1969. The new wing contains four shops, six classrooms, a technical drawing room, a communication skills center, and a guidance office. This will increase our capacity from 360 to 520 pupils and will allow us to accept about 160 freshmen in September of 1970.

B. September - December 1969

1. Enrollment

In September we started our fourth year of operation with 104 seniors, 103 juniors, 99 sophomores, and 132 freshmen for a total of 438 pupils. The number of boys from each of the towns was as follows: 36 from Bellingham, 24 from Blackstone, 18 from Douglas, 52 from Grafton, 25 from Hopedale, 12 from Mendon, 69 from Milford, 57 from Millbury, 5 from Millville, 52 from Northbridge, 24 from Sutton, 21 from Upton, and 43 from Uxbridge.

2. Cafeteria

Our cafeteria staff continues to do an outstanding job for the students of our school. Once again our cafeteria was rated in the top ten in Massachusetts by the Massachusetts School Lunch Program. The most meaningful rating is the extent of pupil participation. Our students participated to the extent of 132% while the average participation throughout the state was 67%. To paraphrase an old saying - "the proof of the rating is in the eating".

3. Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation Awards

Eleven students in the Metal Fabrication department and one in the Plant Maintenance Department of the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School, in competition with thousands of students in high schools throughout the country, have received national recognition from the James F. Lincoln Arc Welding Foundation.

These twelve students not only won top honors for themselves but also made it possible for their school to be first in the entire country, even though the school, in its third year of operation, had no seniors to enter the contest.

Out of a total of \$15,000 awarded throughout the entire country our students won \$2,750 which is a tremendous tribute to the students as well as their instructors. We wish to congratulate all of them in this outstanding achievement.

4. Cooperative Training Program

In September, the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School established a Part-time Cooperative Training Program for seniors.

In brief, this program involves on-the-job training during the week that the student would ordinarily be in his school shop. On the alternate week the boy will return to school for his academic and related work. Cooperative pupils must be paid wages during the work week at the cooperating establishment reasonably comparable to those paid to other persons doing similar work in the same company. While the students work the same hours and under the same conditions as other employees, they are legally considered as members of our student body rather than employees in the usual sense of the word.

We feel that this program will offer advantages to both the employer and the pupil. It will provide the employer an opportunity to have the services of a young man who possesses technical knowledge and a reasonable amount of skill. Meanwhile, the student has an opportunity to get training and at the same time get paid while he is still in school, and also working under actual industrial conditions.

We are very pleased with the enthusiastic response on the part of industry and we feel that this program is off to a good start.

ADULT TRAINING PROGRAMS

1. Evening Trade Extension Courses

The evening trade extension courses for adults started Monday, September 29, 1969. These classes are open to persons over 16 years of age who are not attending school and who can show evidence of trade contact with the specific training desired. The following courses were offered: Auto Body Repair, Auto Mechanics, Mill and House Carpentry, Electronics, Electrical, Machine Shop, Metal Fabrication, Plant Maintenance, Drafting, Oil Burner Serviceman and Blueprint Reading. A total of 270 adults were enrolled in these courses. The number of students from each of the towns was as follows: 16 from Bellingham, 13 from Blackstone, 14 from Douglas, 16 from Grafton, 13 from Hopedale, 13 from Mendon, 49 from Milford, 14 from Millbury, 11 from Millville, 46 from Northbridge, 6 from Sutton, 30 from Upton and 26 from Uxbridge, and also 13 from out of the District.

2. Oil Burner Serviceman

Last summer several oil companies in the region requested a training program for their servicemen. After consulting with an advisory committee made up of men from the oil burner industry a course outline was presented to the Blackstone Valley Vocational Regional School District Committee for their consideration and approval. After acceptance by the School Committee federal funds were obtained for the operation of the program. On September 29, 1969 twenty-three men were enrolled in this course, which will operate two nights each week until April 7, 1970.

This is an excellent example of how quickly and effectively our Regional Vocational Technical School can react to the needs of the individuals and the industries of this area.

3. Production Machinist Program

The Production Machinist Program was organized for unemployed young men of our area to train them in the operation of basic machine shop equipment. This was a 30-week course and all expenses were paid by the Federal Government under the provisions of the Manpower Development and Training Act. These students were graduated on January 17th, 1969 and all were employed by local industry.

4. Automotive Machinist Program

This program like the one above, was organized for unemployed young men under the provisions of the Manpower Development and Training Act. It was developed with the cooperation of an advisory committee from the Automotive Wholesalers Association of New England and it is the only program of its kind in the United States. These students were graduated on April 11, 1969 after completing a 44-week program. This was the second graduating class in this program; the first graduated last year on May 17th. Upon graduation these young men were hired by employers from all over New England and we had far more job opportunities than graduates.

CONCLUSION

Midway through our fourth school year we feel that the Blackstone Valley Regional Vocational Technical High School is operating efficiently and serving the people of the area effectively in

several divergent capacities, as shown in the number of students who enrolled in the regular day program and in the adult training programs:

1. 438 freshmen, sophomore, junior and senior boys in the day program.
2. 270 men and women in the Evening Trade Extension program.
3. 32 young men in the Automotive Machinist program.
4. 16 young men in the Production Machine Operator program.

Thus we have offered about 756 people the opportunity to further their education and to increase their vocational skills.

At the end of 1969 we feel that the past year was one of satisfactory achievement and we continued to maintain the fine standards set in previous years. The School Committee, staff, and administration all look forward to the graduation of our first senior class as a milestone in the history of the school.

These graduates will be the result of a tremendous amount of work and effort on the part of many people who have given of their time and energy over a period of approximately eight years. We predict that these young men will be a credit to themselves and to all who worked to make this possible.

REPORT OF UPTON HOUSING AUTHORITY

This year has seen the culmination of a series of long, hard sessions to select sites, architects, contractors and finally tenants for the COACH ROAD APARTMENTS. Work progressed very slowly and the Committee was disappointed when month after month we were told that the tenants could not take occupancy. In May we accepted applications and these were processed and approved by the State Department of Community Affairs. November 1st. was set as moving day and excitement was high.

On November 1, 1969 the weather was good and we expected 14 tenants to move in. However, by 4:30 P.M. when the last of the moving vans had left, we found that we had given out all but 3 of the assigned keys and we had 4 apartments not rented. All apartments have been rented and tenanted as of January 1, 1970. The following people have the honor of occupying our first project for the elderly:

Mr. & Mrs. Lewis Lincoln	Mrs. Grace Haynes
Mr. & Mrs. LeRoy Newton	Mrs. Margaret Martindale
Mrs. Margaret Noe	Mrs. Christine Henault
Miss Jeanne Keiflin	Miss Catherine Cronin
Mrs. Esther Wadsworth	Mrs. Margaret Crosby
Mrs. Hortense Taft	Miss Myrtle Collins
Mrs. Addie Sadler	Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Boucher
Mrs. Bertha Eckersall	Miss Anne Corraffe
Mrs. Mattie Bates	Mrs. Clara Sparrowk
Mrs. Dorothy Carleton	Mr. & Mrs. Fred DuBois
Mr. & Mrs. Plinnie Nichols	Miss Mary Lee
Mrs. Sarah Wood	Mr. & Mrs. George Bishop, Sr.
Mr. Homer Clark	Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Brown
Mrs. Rose Davis	Mrs. Ethel Leigher
Mrs. Mildred Varney	Mrs. Mildred Morris
Mrs. Louise Daigle	Miss Ethel Harback
Miss Rubelle Keniston	Mr. Ernest Hoar
Mrs. Ruth Bailey	Mr. & Mrs. John Fuller
Mr. Edward Gurry	Mrs. Christina Malhoit
Mrs. Glenna Carley	Mr. & Mrs. LeRoy Prentiss

There have been many articles and pictures in the Boston, Worcester, & Milford newspapers and, as a result, applications and inquiries have been received from Pennsylvania, Florida, 3 from Maine & Boston. We are pleased that so many Upton residents took advantage of these attractive and convenient apartments which were erected especially for the elderly of Upton.

The Authority invites other Upton residents who will soon be 65 and eligible for this type of housing, to signify their desire for an apartment and perhaps more units can be built in the near future.

To date we have received no complaints and many of the tenants have stated that they have never felt better in their lives.

We extend our sincere thanks to the townspeople for their assistance and encouragement. We invite all to inspect the Community Building whenever they so desire.

Respectfully submitted,
 John J. Fitch, *Chairman*
 Henry C. Walker, *V. Chairman*
 Robert L. May, *Treasurer*
 Richard W. Jacques, *Assistant Treasurer*
 William T. Frieswick *Secretary*
 Shirley E. Kirby, *Executive Director-clerk*

TREASURER'S REPORT

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank \$19.15 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. \$.85 interest was received this year.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) known as the Ella (Whitney) Risteen Fund, in Trust with the Town Treasurer and School Committee as Trustees. The income is to be divided between two pupils in our High School who make the most progress during the year. Interest of \$58.17 was received this year and \$50.00 was expended.

There is deposited in the Worcester County Institution for Savings One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) known as the Dr. Carpenter Library Fund. The income is to be used for the Public Library. \$57.00 interest 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 is to be used for the Public Library. Interest of \$239.05 was received this year.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank a Fund known as the Library Construction Fund (Vote of Town, May 15, 1958). Interest of \$337.46 was received this year and the balance of the account on December 31, 1969 was \$7,271.00.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank 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 Selectmen and is to be used to help Townspeople who are in distress. Interest of \$329.36 was received this year and nothing was expended. The balance of the account on December 31, 1969 was \$7,096.14.

The Industrial Accident Fund established in 1937, is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank. Interest of \$158.55 was received this year and the balance as of December 31, 1969 was \$3,416.21. Payments from this fund are to be made in accordance with rules established by the Board of Selectmen. Nothing was expended 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 is to be used for the Public Schools. Interest of \$284.86 was received this year.

There is deposited in the Milford Federal Savings & Loan Association \$45,176.50 known as the Stabilization Fund. Interest of \$2,598.69 was received this year and the balance of the account on December 31, 1969 was \$56,665.89.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank \$37,000.00 known as the Stabilization Fund. Interest of \$1,728.30 was received this year and the balance of the account on December 31, 1969 was \$43,188.94.

Total balance of the Stabilization Fund as of December 31, 1969 was \$99,854.83.

There is deposited in the Worcester County Institution for Savings Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) known as the George H. Schultz Library Fund, in Trust with the Town Treasurer and Library Trustees as Trustees. The income from this fund is to be used only for the purchase of books. Interest of \$113.94 was received this year.

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

There is deposited in the Worcester County Institution for Savings \$22,735.00.

There is deposited in the Milford Federal Savings & Loan Association \$19,499.00.

Receipts are deposited each year and the interest received is used by the Cemetery Department to care for lots covered by perpetual care. In 1969 deposits were \$1,630.00 and interest received was \$2,137.49.

WILLIAM KNOWLTON TRUST FUND INCOME ACCOUNT

Balance, December 31, 1968	\$5,742.09
Income	<u>4,966.25</u>
	10,708.34
Transferred on Selectmen's Warrants	<u>1,452.66</u>
Balance, December 31, 1969	\$9,255.68
Principal on deposit in Milford Savings Bank	802.95

ELLA WHITNEY RISTEEN FUND INCOME

Balance, December 31, 1968	\$37,778.69
Income	8,258.74
Interest	1,473.14
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	\$47,510.57

Payments:

Safety Deposit Box Rental	\$ 25.00
Clause B	100.00
Clause C	1,067.93
Clause D	<u>5,249.62</u>
	\$ 6,442.55

Balance, December 31, 1969	\$41,068.02
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Home National Bank of Milford,

Savings Department:

Clause B	\$21,862.75
Clause C	12,668.42
Clause D	<u>6,536.85</u>
	\$41,068.02

Principal on deposit in Milford

Savings Bank	\$ 1,429.55
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**CHARLOTTE A. BATCHELOR
AND
GEORGE W. KNOWLTON
TRUST FUND INCOME ACCOUNT**

Balance, December 31, 1968	\$ 1,216.20
Income	458.81
Interest	53.24
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Balance, December 31, 1969	\$ 1,728.25
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Principal on deposit in Milford Federal Savings & Loan Association	\$ 982.91
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STATEMENT OF TOWN INSURANCE

	Building	Contents
Town Hall	\$130,000.00	\$30,000.00
Memorial School	450,000.00	50,000.00
Memorial School Addition	175,000.00	25,000.00
George S. Ball School	75,000.00	15,000.00
Pumping Station	10,000.00	20,000.00
Fire Station	35,000.00	5,000.00

Includes: Boilers, Library Books, etc.

CASH ACCOUNT FOR YEAR OF 1969

Balance, December 31, 1968	\$ 117,380.03
Receipts	<u>1,339,669.35</u>
	\$ 1,457,049.38
Disbursements	<u>1,382,790.19</u>
Cash Balance, December 31, 1969	\$74,259.19

Respectfully submitted,
 ASHLEY M. PERKINS
Town Treasurer

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

CHAPTER 81

Appropriation	\$ 21,700.00
Labor	\$ 4,948.78
Equipment Hire	9,168.50
Material	<u>7,582.23</u>
Total	<u>21,699.51</u>
Balance	.49

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

1967 Balance	\$ 17,190.09
Labor	\$ 1,744.38

Equipment Hire	11,000.50
Material	4,445.20
Total	<u>17,190.08</u>
Balance	.01

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION

1968 Balance	\$20,000.00
Labor	1,023.13
Equipment Hire	4,510.50
Material	<u>12,225.85</u>
Total	<u>17,759.48</u>
Balance	2,240.52

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	\$11,400.00
Labor	268.24
Equipment Hire	488.50
Material	<u>10,643.08</u>
Total	<u>11,399.82</u>
Balance	.18

GUARDRAIL & BRIDGES ACCOUNT

Appropriation	\$ 1,000.00
Labor	294.00
Equipment Hire	356.75
Material	<u>349.02</u>
Total	<u>999.77</u>
Balance	.23

GENERAL HIGHWAY ACCOUNT

Appropriation	\$ 5,000.00
Labor	579.01
Equipment Hire	2,589.00
Material	<u>1,831.64</u>
Total	<u>4,999.65</u>
Balance	.35

SNOW REMOVAL ACCOUNT

Appropriation		\$50,000.00
Labor	\$ 5,436.52	
Equipment Hire	34,263.13	
Material	<u>10,290.08</u>	
Total		<u>49,989.73</u>
Balance		10.27

SIDEWALK ACCOUNT

Appropriation		\$ 1,000.00
Labor	\$ 168.50	
Equipment Hire	159.50	
Material	<u>672.00</u>	
Total		<u>1,000.00</u>
Balance		.00

SIGN ACCOUNT

Appropriation		\$ 1,000.00
Labor	\$ 35.00	
Equipment Hire	34.50	
Material	<u>929.91</u>	
Total		<u>999.41</u>
Balance		.59

CIDER MILL LANE SPECIAL APPROPRIATION

Appropriation		\$ 500.00
Labor		
Equipment Hire	297.00	
Material	<u>203.00</u>	
Total		<u>500.00</u>
Balance		.00

HOT TOP SPECIAL APPROPRIATION

Appropriation		\$10,000.00
Labor	\$ 1,316.34	

Equipment Hire	711.50
Material	<u>7,971.82</u>
Total	<u>9,999.66</u>
Balance	.34

#616 SPECIAL ACCOUNT

Balance	\$ 7,869.52
Equipment Hire	\$ 8.00
Material	<u>7,861.52</u>
Total	<u>7,869.52</u>
Balance	.00

May I extend my sincere thanks to all the Town Departments, the Department of Public Works, and the Townspeople for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
 HENRY J. POIRIER
Road Commissioner

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Alarms	15
Explosions	1
False Alarms	6
Still Alarms	12
Car Fires	7
Aid to Other Towns	1
Town Dump	4
Aid to Forest Fire Department	8
Auto Accidents	6
Oxygen Calls	3
Miscellaneous	10
 Total Fire Calls for 1969	 73
Blasting Permits	8
Gas & Oil Permits	6

Hose Appropriation	\$ 500.00
Expended	<u>500.00</u>
Balance	\$.00
Firemen's Salaries Appropriation	\$3,200.00
Expended	<u>3,099.98</u>
Balance	\$100.02
Fire Department General	\$2,700.00
Expended	<u>3,274.73</u>
Transferred	\$574.73
Special Appropriation Lights	\$ 200.00
Expended	<u>200.00</u>
Balance	\$.00
Extraordinary Expense	\$ 600.00
Expended	<u>598.65</u>
Balance	\$ 1.35

WALTER STANK
WILLIAM PRENTISS
THOMAS L. FRANCIS

AMBULANCE

Appropriation	\$1,300.00
Expended	<u>1,673.43</u>
Transferred	\$373.43

Trips Made: 151

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM

Appropriation	\$750.00
Expended	<u>977.11</u>
Transferred	\$227.11

OIL-GAS PERMITS

Appropriation	\$50.00
Expended	<u>50.00</u>
Balance	\$.00

WALTER STANK
WILLIAM PRENTISS
THOMAS L. FRANCIS

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Number of meetings held	19
Number of transfers approved	24
Reserve Fund	\$5,000.00

Transfers Requested by:	No. of Transfers	Amount Transferred
Forest Fire Expense Account	3	\$ 537.68
Fire Alarm Maintenance Account	4	217.11
Ambulance Expense Account	3	373.43
Dump Custodian Salary Account	3	345.40
Fire Department Expense Account	2	574.73
Board of Appeals Expense Account	1	50.31
Police Department Expense Account	3	811.99
Tree Warden Expense Account	1	386.18
Assessor's Expense Account	1	73.26
Radio Maintenance Account	1	48.42
Tax Collector Expense Account	1	63.00
Selectmen Expense Account	1	20.00
Total Transferred		<u>\$3,501.51</u>
Balance		\$1,498.49

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Jonas E. Carter, Chairman	Vincent A. Jonis, Vice-Chairman
William C. Young, Clerk	John E. Craib
Robert A. Lambert	James H. Smith
Cynthia T. Robertson	Alanson J. Varney
Norman E. Walker	

ANNUAL REPORT
of the
MENDON - UPTON
REGIONAL SCHOOL
DISTRICT COMMITTEE
Year Ending December 31, 1969

ORGANIZATION

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Richard Childs, Chairman	Term expires 1972
Mr. Richard Howarth, Vice-Chairman	Term expires 1972
Mrs. Nancy Bradley	Term expires 1971
Mrs. Marjorie McLaughlin	Term expires 1971
Mr. Jerald Rice	Term expires 1970
Mr. Richard Ferrucci	Term expires 1970
Mr. John Robertson Jr., Treasurer	Term expires 1970

SUPERINTENDENT
Gordon B. Allan

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE
Mrs. Catherine Pyne, Secretary
Mrs. Joan Shanahan, Clerk

PRINCIPAL

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL
Anthony H. Gulla, Jr.

ELEMENTARY SUPERVISOR
Edward M. Soter

HEALTH SERVICE

Christian W. Aussenheimer, M.D. Ronald Lukert, M.D.
Bernard F. McKernan, M.D.

Mrs. Janet Stockwell, R.N.

Mrs. Joyce Hoberg, R.N.

SCHOOL DIRECTORY - 1969

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

SUPERVISOR OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

GUIDANCE OFFICE

FACULTY – NIPMUC REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Jeffrey Allard	Biology
Mr. Richard Auger	Music
Mr. Bradley Austin	Science
Mr. Colin S. Bell	Science
Mrs. Ruth Bigelow	Business Education
Mr. Stephen J. Bodnar	Science — Dept. Head
Mr. Arthur Courtemanche	Social Studies
Mrs. Anne Davenport	Home Economics
Mr. Ian O. Denton	Industrial Arts (Metals)
Mr. James Edwards	Foreign Languages
Miss Lucille Gilbert	Business Education — Dept. Head
Miss Linda Gosselin	English
Mr. John Grady	English
Mr. Stephen Gressak	Science
Mrs. Cecelia Grynsel	Special Education
Mr. Richard Guzzi	Physical Education — Dept. Head
Miss Dorothy Hentz	English
Mrs. Eleanor Hutchinson	Foreign Language — Dept. Head
Miss Beverly Keeler	English
Mr. William Kimball	Math — Dept. Head

Miss Arlene Laflash	Foreign Language
Mrs. Eileen Lucier	English — Dept. Head
Mr. Michael Makynen	Math
Mr. John McGrail	Social Studies
Mrs. Martha Miles	Math
Miss Patricia Morrissey	English
Mr. Harold Murphy	Math
Mr. Carl Olson	Social Studies — Dept. Head
Mrs. Judith Robbins	English
Mr. Richard Robinson	Industrial Arts (Wood)
Mrs. Grenith Rose	Social Studies
Miss Virginia Rowe	English
Mr. Hugh Saunders	Business Education
Mr. Robert Smith Jr.	Social Studies
Miss Linda Sweeney	English
Mrs. Ruth Voss	Librarian
Mr. Paul Waaramaa	Social Studies, Driver Education
Miss Jean Warden	Physical Education
Mrs. Marjorie Weed	Art
Mrs. Harriet Campbell	Math

Faculty Resignations:
 Mr. William Fitzgerald
 Mrs. Margaret Nadauld
 Mr. Eugene Paquin
 Mr. Walter Robb, Jr.
 Miss Carol Sisson
 Miss Mary Woods

Faculty Appointments:
 Mrs. Ruth Bigelow
 Mrs. Judith Robbins
 Mr. Richard Auger
 Mrs. Harriet Campbell
 Miss Jean Warden
 Mr. Jeffrey Allard
 Miss Linda Gosselin
 Miss Arlene LaFlash
 Miss Patricia Morrissey

Mrs. Evelyn Carrello
 Mrs. Dorothy Carter
 Mrs. Kathryn Craib
 Mrs. Helen Donham
 Mrs. Thyra Eastman
 Mr. Richard Grady
 Mrs. Kathryn Israelsen
 Mrs. Constance Knauber
 Mrs. Mary Kottis
 Miss Rachel Langlais

Mrs. Doris Loukes
 Miss Priscilla Messinger
 Mr. Frederick Milligan
 Mr. Robert Nigro
 Miss Elaine Porter
 Mrs. Sandra Ray
 Mrs. Myrna Seyfarth
 Mrs. Agnes Whipple
 Mrs. Joanna Workman
 Miss Carolyn Wright

**FACULTY — UPTON MEMORIAL
 GEORGE S. BALL SCHOOL**

Faculty Resignations:
 Mrs. Margaret Archibald
 Mrs. Joan Aronson
 Mrs. Katherine Colton
 Mrs. Carla Pashko
 Mrs. Diane Evans

Faculty Appointments:
 Mrs. Kathryn Israelsen
 Mrs. Sandra Ray
 Mrs. Myrna Seyfarth
 Miss Rachel Langlais
 Mr. Richard Grady

FACULTY – HENRY P. CLOUGH SCHOOL
 Mrs. Ruth Burrill
 Miss Anita Espanet
 Mrs. Diane Evans
 Mrs. Grace Hutchinson
 Mrs. Pearl Kimball
 Miss Mary Kirby
 Mr. Daniel Malloy
 Mrs. Alyce Youngson

Faculty Resignation:
 Mrs. Gladys Burke (Retired)

Faculty Appointment:
 Mrs. Diane Evans

CUSTODIANS
 Mr. William Hazard
 Mr. George Menard
 Mr. William Roche
 Mr. Wayne Phipps
 Mr. Alec Yones

Mrs. Virginia Rogers
 Mrs. Myrtle Garrett
 Mrs. Vera Glidden
 Mrs. Nancy Wagner

CAFETERIA STAFF

Mrs. Olive Francis
 Mrs. Gail Hixon
 Mrs. Joan Marchand
 Mrs. Beverly Orff
 Mrs. Shirley Phipps
 Mrs. Sonja Pearson
 Mrs. Marie Oliver
 Mrs. Eunice Porter

**MENDON-UPTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL CALENDAR – 1969-1970**

Fall Term, Sixteen Weeks:

Term begins Wednesday, September 3, 1969
Term ends Tuesday, December 23, 1969

Winter Term, Seven Weeks:

Term begins Monday, January 5, 1970
Term ends Friday, February 13, 1970

Spring Term, Eight Weeks:

Term begins Monday, February 23, 1970
Term ends Friday, April 17, 1970

Summer Term, Eight Weeks:

Term begins Monday, April 27, 1970
Term ends Wednesday, June 24, 1970

High School Graduation: June 11, 1970
All Schools Close: June 24, 1970

Holidays:

Columbus Day	October 13, 1969
Teachers' Convention	November 7, 1969
Veterans Day	November 11, 1969
Thanksgiving	November 27-28, 1969
Christmas	December 25, 1969
New Year's	January 1, 1970
Good Friday	March 27, 1970
Memorial Day	May 25, 1970

Age of Admission to Schools:

To be admitted to Grade 1, a child must be five years old on or before January 1st preceding the opening of school in September. No child will be admitted to Grade 1 for the first time after October 15th.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL CENSUS

The annual census and distribution of school attending children was taken October 1969. This includes all residents of the Town of Mendon and the Town of Upton attending local or other

than local schools. This tabulation also includes children attending kindergarten who have not as yet reached five years of age and children attending high school or vocational schools who are beyond the age of sixteen.

Distribution of school attending children, residents of the Town of Mendon and the Town of Upton as of October 1, 1969:

	MENDON			UPTON		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Special Class	1	3	4	1	3	4
Grade I	31	36	67	36	32	68
Grade II	26	25	51	45	41	86
Grade III	28	27	55	36	38	74
Grade IV	26	28	54	36	35	71
Grade V	21	30	51	41	35	76
Grade VI	31	27	58	37	37	74
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	340			453		

NIPMUC REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

Grade VII	35	31	66	40	37	77
Grade VIII	28	22	50	31	43	74
Grade IX	25	25	50	30	33	63
Grade X	20	32	52	31	35	66
Grade XI	29	16	45	21	33	54
Grade XII	10	27	37	22	24	46
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	300			380		

	Mendon	Upton	
Total number in Public Schools	640	833	1473
Total number in Special Schools	3	3	6
Total number in Vocational Schools	15	24	39
Total number in Private Schools	19	33	52
Total number in Private Kindergarten	18	29	47
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Grand Total School Attending Children:	1617		

REPORT OF THE MENDON-UPTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the Towns of Mendon and Upton:

The year 1969 has been an exceptionally busy and at times a frustrating one for your committee. Although beset with many problems and disappointments we feel we have overcome the majority of them to the satisfaction of all concerned.

This is our first full year of operation as a K-12 District. Regionalization of kindergarten through grade 12 has started to show some benefits such as one school committee instead of four, one Teachers' Association contract instead of three, one cafeteria workers contract instead of three, 100% reimbursement on all regular school bus contracts and increased State Aid in other areas due to regionalization.

The death of our late Superintendent, Mr. Kenneth L. Sharp, in February was deeply felt by your committee. The excellent cooperation of Mr. Wilho Frigard, Principal, and Mr. Anthony Gulla, Assistant Principal, in cheerfully accepting additional work loads and longer hours helped us considerably while we were in the process of engaging a new superintendent.

We screened approximately thirty applications for this position and finally reduced this number to eight. Each of the eight were interviewed, some more than once, before we made our final selection. All of the applicants presented excellent records and recommendations. Your committee feel the selection of Mr. Gordon B. Allan was a wise one and hope you all concur.

Mr. Allan came to work for us at a time that would discourage most men. We were in the midst of budget preparation, teacher contract negotiations, teacher resignations, school site investigations, school session and curtailed curriculum discussions, etc. Mr. Allan has proven himself capable of working under such conditions and is continually striving toward a better program.

Early in the year we felt we had finally found a suitable site for a new school. The Pleasant Street site in Upton met with all State Department of Public Health and Department of Education requirements. However, at special Town Meetings called for the purpose of acquiring this land we were once again disappointed by the refusal of one Town to accept our recommendation. We were disappointed but not discouraged and immediately requested our Site Committee (Mr. Paul V. Swanson, Chairman, Mr. James Wheeler, Mr. Noyes Bridgman, Mr. Arthur Johnson) to investigate

other property. We are hopeful that we will be able to present another site for consideration by the time of the annual Town Meetings in March 1970.

We are faced with several problems directly related to lack of adequate classroom space. We are required by State mandate to implement kindergarten by September 1973. We do not have space in present school buildings in Upton and available space in Mendon is dwindling due to increased enrollment and projected kindergarten enrollment figures. It is becoming increasingly difficult to get State approval to operate on two sessions of school per day. If we can not show concrete evidence of a solution we stand a good chance of losing a large portion of State Aid.

We would be remiss if we did not take a moment to acknowledge the faithful and capable services of our former member and Treasurer, Mr. Everett L. Murch. At the time of his resignation he was the only original member of the District Committee still serving and had served as Treasurer since its inception. His long experience on the committee proved invaluable to new members as well as to those who served for a few years.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the administrative staff, teaching staff, and all other school employees for their cooperation under existing conditions. We would also like to thank the Selectmen, Finance Committee members, and citizens of both towns for their support and cooperation. We hope that with this same spirit of civic pride, 1970 will be a year of action on a new school and the answer to some of our most pressing problems.

Respectfully submitted,

RICHARD L. CHILDS, *Chairman*

RICHARD G. HOWARTH, *Vice-Chairman*

MRS. NANCY BRADLEY

MR. RICHARD FERRUCCI

MRS. MARJORIE McLAUGHLIN

MR. JERALD RICE

Mendon-Upton Regional School

District Committee

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Mendon-Upton Regional School Committee and the Citizens of Mendon and Upton:

The year 1969 has been a year of many milestones for the Mendon-Upton Regional School District. On January 1, 1969 the district absorbed responsibility for operating the elementary schools of Mendon and Upton as a complete K-12 regional school district. The "K" designation reminds us of our legal obligation to begin operating a kindergarten program within the next three years. For the present, "Mendon-Upton" includes the Henry P. Clough School serving grades 1-6 in Mendon, the George S. Ball School in Upton housing the first grade, the Upton Memorial School serving grades 2-6, and Nipmuc Regional High School providing secondary education for grades 7-12.

In February the district was saddened at the passing of Mr. Kenneth L. Sharp, first and only superintendent of schools since Nipmuc opened in 1960. Temporary administrative arrangements saw Mr. Wilho Frigard serving as acting superintendent and Mr. Anthony Gulla temporarily administering the principal's office at Nipmuc Regional High School.

The undersigned was honored to be selected to serve as educational leader of the school system in early summer and began work at Mendon-Upton Regional School District while closing out a period of service in southern New Hampshire. With all of the changes noted, it is hoped that a reasonable continuity of service was provided.

This has been the year when a reluctant decision was made to operate the High School on two non-overlapping short sessions each day. High school grades 9-12 attend school from 7:30-12:30 and enjoy a reasonably complete program including extra-curricular activities such as sports and clubs. Junior high grades 7-8 attend school from 12:30-5:00 and receive a basic curriculum without home economics or industrial arts, limited use of library, little physical education, art and music for some. Approval to operate a reduced school day requires annual authorization from the State Department of Education. A condition of that approval is a statement of community effort to remedy the school housing problem. For 1969 total regionalization and removal of restriction on school location was accepted as a satisfactory statement of progress. Renewal of approval will require substantial progress toward the start of a new school in 1970.

The school reports of a year ago all refer to the urgent need for additional school space. An attempt to acquire a school site was made in 1969. The search goes on, aided by the efforts of the Building Site Committee who have recommended putting together several small but desirable parcels of land which might be exchanged for one single piece of property from the Department of Natural Resources. As of this date conversations have been held, surveys and appraisals prepared, and a possible site accession through exchange seems to be a hopeful possibility.

This has been the year when administration and school committee have reviewed priorities and made some important commitments, both educational and operational. In order to do better what we are already doing, or to add needed programs and services, we have agreed:

1. To offer an organized library service at both the Memorial and Clough Schools. Staff time increased from ten to twenty-five hours weekly. Using a dollars-per-pupil formula, a book acquisition program started with objective of fifteen books per pupil.
2. To institute a "helping teacher" program in grades with unusually large enrollment. In 1969 this was grade 1 at the Clough School.
3. To increase teaching time for the elementary music teacher to four and, next fall, to five days per week.
4. To add more teaching time in art education.
5. To coordinate existing pupil service activities (guidance, health, remedial reading, mentally handicapped, tutorial service to the blind) into a department of pupil personnel services. Added new service will be elementary counseling, later speech and hearing, learning disabilities service.
6. To add three teaching positions at the High School: social studies, math/science, transitional grade 7.
7. To improve elementary administration by strengthening the "head teacher" program and providing secretarial service in both towns.
8. To provide nursing service at all locations at least two hours daily.
9. To stimulate educational activity by the purchase of needed instructional equipment.
10. To improve the environment for learning by making existing facilities more attractive.

11. To develop long-range approaches to fiscal planning which builds a school budget around educational objectives — and then works toward those objectives over a period of years.
12. To encourage varied professional growth activities by staff members at all levels.
13. To work toward a pattern of organization built around the primary school (K-4), the middle school (5-8), and the high school (9-12).

These are active times for education in Mendon-Upton Regional School District, and we look forward to 1970 with anticipation.

Respectfully submitted,
GORDON B. ALLAN
Superintendent of Schools

NIPMUC REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

NINTH ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

1969

Nipmuc Regional High School Gymnasium

Thursday, June 5, 1969

8:00 P.M.

GRADUATING CLASS

Albert Lee Ames, Jr.	Sheila Mae Lee
*Bette Jane Armstrong	Kenneth Richard Lemoine
Jayme Anne Armstrong	Judith Elizabeth Lucier
*Elaine Marie Barrows	Vicki Ann Mainville
*Karleen Louise Barrows	Michael John Matthews
John Gregory Bing	Christopher Brooks May
Linda Rae Bishop	Philip Dana McClure
Ronald Francis Bouchard	Edward Charles Mitchell
Bonnie Jane Bouthiette	Craig Alan Nealley
Marsha Jean Bradley	Diane Marie Oliver
Cathy Carlson	Richard Warren Orff, Jr.

*Cathi Joy Carter
 Kathleen Ann Chapin
 Stephen Lewis Comolli
 Edward Dennis Corliss
 Sharon Craddock
 James Francis Creasia
 *Barbara Ellen Davenport
 Donna Star DeLorge
 Donna Lee Drake
 Kathy Lynne Fagan
 Billy Roger Ferraro
 Karen Jean Glidden
 Thomas Michael Hackenson
 William Bennett Hackenson
 Randall Brian Harding
 Linda Theresa Hebert
 Robert Jeffrey Hensel
 Joanne Ruth Hoberg
 Karen Lee Hofstra
 Rose Mary Kempton
 David Bruce Kennedy
 Debra Lee Kimball
 Judith Ann Laucis
 William Laucis
 Pamela Jean Leclaire
 *Rita Mary Pellerin
 *Alfred Gordon Perron, Jr.
 Thomas Lawrence Pezzella
 Edward Wallace Phillips
 Wayne Robson Phipps
 Janet Ann Porter
 Thomas Robert Ragaini
 Deborah Emilie Rhodes
 Patricia Anne Roy
 Karen Linda Sanborn
 Richard Andrew Schug, Jr.
 Thomas David Searles
 Russell James Sether
 Dennis Samuel Shaheen
 Linda Ann Smith
 Richard Michael Smith
 Karen Elaine Straight
 Candace Lynn Taft
 Richard Allan Taft
 Dennis Ernest Tetreault
 Bruce John Tycks
 Ruth Anne Wagner
 Russell Lauren Weymouth
 Paula Ann Whitney
 *Harriet Beth Wiersma

Marianne Jennifer Zajac

*National Honor Society

Program

Processional	High School Band
Invocation	Rev. William Mullins, Jr. Methodist Church, Upton
National Anthem	All Present
Address of Welcome	William Hackenson <i>Class President</i>
Essay: "Yesterday Is Today's Memory; Tomorrow Is Today's Dream"	Karen Sanborn
Selection: "Let There Be Peace On Earth" (<i>Miller-Jackson</i>)	Class of 1969
Essay: "Let There Be Peace On Earth"	Barbara Davenport
Selection: "Born Free" (Don Black and John Barry)	Class of 1969
Essay: "Born Free"	Vicki Mainville

Selection:

"Climb Ev'ry Mountain" (Rodgers-Hammerstein) Class of 1969

Essay: "Climb Ev'ry Mountain" Alfred Perron

Presentation of Class Gift Thomas Searles

Presentation of Awards Anthony H. Gulla, Jr.

Acting Principal

Wilho Frigard

Acting Superintendent

Richard Childs

Chairman, School Committee

Rev. Francis Carberry

Holy Angels Church, Upton

High School Band

Remarks

Presentation of Diplomas

Benediction

Recessional

Director of Band and Chorus

Eugene Paquin

Accompanist

Donna Kearsley

Marshal

Junior Class

Daniel Paige

Junior Class President

CLASS OFFICERS

President

William Hackenson

Vice-President

Thomas Searles

Secretary

Harriet Wiersma

Treasurer

Diane Oliver

Class Advisors

Eileen Lucier

Linda Sweeney

Class Motto

"Yesterday Is Today's Memory; Tomorrow Is Today's Dream"

Class Colors

Class Flower

Burgundy and Gold

J. F. K. Rose

**AWARDS PRESENTED AT THE 1969
GRADUATION EXERCISES**

1. The D.A.R. Good Citizenship Certificate to Janet Porter.
2. The Student Government Day Representative Certificate to the student elected to represent Nipmuc Regional High School at the annual Student Government Day at the State House to William Hackenson.
3. The American Legion School Award given by the Roger L. Wood Post of Mendon to Kathy Fagan.
4. Ella Whitney Risteen Awards of \$25.00 each to the boy and girl who have made the greatest progress in terms of total growth and development to Christopher May and Linda Bishop.
5. French Club scholarship of \$100.00 to Kathy Fagan.
6. Future Teachers of America scholarship of \$50.00 to Elaine Barrows.
7. Future Nurses of America scholarship of \$50.00 to Linda Hebert.
8. Future Business Leaders of America scholarship of \$25.00 to Deborah Rhodes.
9. Upton Grange scholarships of \$50.00 each to Kenneth Lemoine and Rita Pellerin.
10. Upton Women's Club scholarship of \$100.00 to Karen Sanborn.
11. Scholarships of \$75.00 each to Karleen Barrows and Alfred Perron, awarded by the George L. Wood Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Upton.
12. Upton Kiwanis Club Waldo Graton scholarship of \$150.00 to Kenneth Lemoine.
13. Upton Bloomer Girls scholarship of \$100.00 each to Rita Pellerin and Michael Matthews.
14. Scholarships of \$70.00 each to Marianne Zajac and Michael Matthews, awarded by the Sakatumi, the junior high school newspaper.
15. A \$150.00 scholarship known as the Kenneth L. Sharp Memorial Scholarship to Cathi Carter.
16. Mendon-Upton Elementary Teachers scholarships of \$250.00 each to Sheila Lee and Rita Pellerin.
17. Mendon-Upton Regional Teachers Association scholarships to the following graduates in the amounts indicated:

Elaine Barrows	\$100.00
Karleen Barrows	\$100.00
Barbara Davenport	\$100.00
William Hackenson	\$100.00

Linda Hebert	\$100.00
Kenneth Lemoine	\$100.00
Wayne Phipps	\$100.00
Janet Porter	\$100.00
Harriet Wiersma	\$100.00
Cathi Carter	\$150.00
Linda Smith	\$200.00
Alfred Perron	\$500.00*

* Henry P. Clough Scholarship

REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

The most significant fact to be reported from the Nipmuc Regional High School is, of course, that double sessions for the entire school are now a fact. Since September grades nine through twelve have been attending school from 7:20 a.m. to 12:28 p.m., with the seventh and eighth grades in session from 12:30 to 4:54 p.m.

By having 40-minute periods (compared to 44 minutes in the past), it is possible to offer the same program of studies and extra-curricular activities at the high school level as in the past. In the afternoon session for the seventh and eighth grades, we have a six-period day. Five of these periods are devoted to academic activities, with the additional period being utilized to offer a limited extra-curricular program. At this time, the junior high school pupils have an opportunity to participate in band three times per week, chorus two times per week, and eighty youngsters are taking advantage of a one-period-per-week elective program of art. There is no physical education program for the seventh and eighth grades; but many boys and girls, by arriving at school approximately an hour early on one or two days per week, do have the opportunity to participate in an intramural athletic program.

In looking ahead to next September, we are planning to broaden the curriculum in the high school by adding a teacher in the social studies department and a combination science-mathematics teacher for an expansion in those two departments. Also, we are planning to employ a "transitional" teacher to work specifically with those youngsters who have difficulty adjusting to the work in the seventh grade. This teacher will give concentrated attention to correcting the weaknesses of these pupils; so that they will not feel lost and become discouraged and thus lose interest in school.

We must not lose sight of the fact, though, that double

sessions are educationally unsatisfactory. All pupils are receiving decreased educational dividends. Class instruction time has been shortened in order to provide as complete a program as possible. A four-minute cut in class periods does not seem much at first glance; but it has serious implications over a period of time. Over a 180-day school year, a four-minute loss of time in a single period will amount to twelve hours. When this loss is determined for an average class load of five, the total number of hours missed by each pupil in a year adds up to a very significant loss of valuable class time.

Added losses in the afternoon session make the situation even more serious. We have no physical education program for the seventh graders, no general music, no home economics or industrial arts. Very limited use of the library during the afternoon is a serious detriment. In addition, the afternoon session is not conducive to a desirable teaching-learning situation. Most of the seventh and eighth graders, after a morning of normal out-of-school activity, find it difficult to settle down to an academic routine.

Too many youngsters have already been "short-changed" in their education due to double-sessions. More delay will just dilute even more the quality of education on the secondary level in our school district.

Respectfully submitted,
WILHO FRIGARD, Principal

MENDON-UPTON REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT CONSOLIDATED CAFETERIA FINANCIAL REPORT

On January 1, 1969 cafeterias in Mendon, Upton and Nipmuc Regional High School were consolidated. There were no balances carried forward for Mendon and Upton elementary cafeterias.

The following represents the combined financial report for the year 1969.

Cash Balance January 1, 1969	\$ (1,363.15)
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RECEIPTS

Cafeteria Sales	43,819.01
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USDA Claim Checks	14,192.82
Other Receipts	954.85
Appropriation	<u>3,539.33</u>
Net Receipts:	\$61,142.86
 DISBURSEMENTS	
Food and Milk	30,678.92
Labor	25,501.94
Other Expense	2,375.07
Equipment	<u>59.33</u>
Net Disbursements:	\$58,615.26
 Balance January 1, 1970	\$ 2,527.60

MRS. CATHERINE PYNE
Secretary to Supt. of Schools

FINANCIAL REPORT – December 31, 1969

	Budget 1969	Expenditures	Balance
General Control	\$ 28,825.00	\$ 28,654.66	\$170.34
Exp. of Instruction	664,590.35	664,589.10	1.25
Oper. School Plant	72,061.00	72,054.40	6.60
Maintenance	23,406.00	23,404.91	1.09
Transportation	119,913.84	119,906.20	7.64
Health Services	9,150.00	9,065.07	84.93
Acquisition Equip.	2,592.40	2,406.50	185.90
Fixed Charges	17,586.00	17,231.27	354.73
Other Expense	<u>11,530.00</u>	<u>11,360.54</u>	<u>169.46</u>
 Total:	\$949,654.59	\$948,672.65	\$981.94

REPORT OF TREASURER – December 31, 1969

Cash Balance, January 1, 1969	\$ 88,218.36
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RECEIPTS:

Town Assessments:

Upton	542,620.00
Mendon	399,589.65
State Reimbursements	148,865.40
Nat'l Defense Ed. Act Grants	745.64
Interest	898.20
Net Inc. in School Lunch Program	3,890.75
Net Inc. in School Special Funds	826.43
Miscellaneous	8,622.92

DISBURSEMENTS:

Operation Expense	968,373.07
Debt Service – Principal	60,000.00
– Interest	24,650.00
Net Decrease in School Athletic Fund	165.32

Cash Balance January 1, 1970	141,088.96
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\$1,194,277.35	\$1,194,277.35
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BALANCE SHEET – December 31, 1969

ASSETS:

Home National Bank	\$ 121,503.36
Milford Federal Savings and Loan Association	19,585.60
Total Cash:	\$ 141,088.96

LIABILITIES & RESERVES:

Federal Grants	\$ 6,956.27
Title I	675.93
Vocational Education	
Grant	504.30
Revolving Funds	837.39
Athletic Fund	353.65
Cafeteria	2,527.60
Surplus Revenue	129,233.82
Total:	\$ 141,088.96

FIXED DEBT

Mendon-Upton Regional School District Bond:	
4 1/4% dated July 1, 1959:	
Original Issue:	\$1,150,000.00
Matured to date:	<u>600,000.00</u>
Balance Due:	\$ 550,000.00

GORDON B. ALLAN
Supt. of Schools

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

It is a pleasure to submit my Sixth Annual Report as Supervisor of Elementary Schools.

It does not take much strength to do things, but it requires great strength to decide on what to do.

We have always had the strength to do things and we now have the great strength to decide on what to do.

Our Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Gordon B. Allan, immediately upon assuming his position as school head, contacted his administrative staff in order to form an Administrative Council. Meeting on a weekly basis the council evaluated and re-evaluated the direction in which our School District should go. Decisions were made, priorities established and finally recommendations were made to the school board.

Agreement was reached in principle that our school organization should be on a K-4 Elementary; 5-8 Middle School and 9-12 High School. The Elementary Supervisor and the High School Principal attended a two-day seminar on the Middle School in Nyack, New York, to obtain sophisticated information in regard to curriculum and organization. Many school people from all over the United States participated in the seminar and were duly impressed by the success of the Middle School organization. Set up properly, curriculum design reaches students. We certainly feel that the Middle School organization will meet the needs of our students. Specific information will be released at a later date.

Our curriculum goals in our concept of school organization is to provide instruction on an individualized basis and allow students to broaden their educational pursuits in as many areas as possible.

Music education has been expended and increased in structure and goals. The Instrumental Music Supervisor is scheduled in each elementary school every day. Students meet twice weekly at the High School for band rehearsals. We are also happy to report that the band members are provided bus transportation home after rehearsals. Playing an instrument teaches an exact skill and highly motivates students. Participating in such a program broadens the child's horizon and creates a well balanced educational program.

Our Vocal Music Program also has been given a boost. Students now have the opportunity to meet once a week at the High School for rehearsals. The music teacher is now working four days per week. Increased time makes the music teacher's services more available and on a longer period basis. The program now provides music theory, appreciation, note reading and chorus. Chorus members are also transported home after rehearsals.

Library services have been increased and will rapidly expand to provide a better than adequate school library system. The librarian is now servicing all elementary schools. Title II ESEA funds from the Federal Government were received to increase our volumes. Curriculum grade books were recently purchased for both libraries. The librarian will spend fifteen hours in Upton and ten hours in Mendon. Pupils in the entire elementary system will be able to take books out on loan, do research either independently or by groups. Teachers will be able to request book and instructional resources from the librarian thereby creating a coordinated effort in planning lessons.

The Mendon-Upton Regional School District received a \$14,000.00 grant from the Federal Government (Title I ESEA) to conduct a summer reading program for pupils in grades 1-3 and students in grades 9-10. Significant advances were made in the program and all involved in the project feel the program should continue.

A department of Pupil Personnel Services has been created and will be in full operation in September. The new department will coordinate guidance, health, special education, remedial reading, speech and hearing. A major gain for the elementary schools under this newly created department will be in the employment of an elementary counselor in September, to provide a vital service to pupils on an individual and group basis. We plan to have the services of a speech and hearing teacher the following year. Also planned is

the strengthening of our special education program. Pupil Personnel Services are vital to the successful operation of a school. If pupils have problems in speech or hearing or have personal problems, learning does not take place. It is our responsibility to provide services to our children that create maximum learning situations.

Physical appearances of school plants are important to the teaching and learning environment. Our superintendent has taken the necessary steps to provide plants of which we can all be proud. Painting inside and outside, carpeting, hard topping, shelving, cabinets, proper draining, functional electrical systems, correction of burner problems have truly initiated the types of school environments that lifts the morale of both staff and students. We have a nagging roof problem in Upton that we must take a good hard look at in the spring. We have a great deal of money invested in our public buildings and we intend to bring them back in top condition.

To give adequate coverage in the elementary schools a secretary has been employed for the Henry P. Clough School four hours daily until June, then full time in September. This is a significant gain as it allows the Elementary Supervisor more time to work with teachers and pupils.

Our Parent-Teacher organizations have been great to us. I can say in all sincerity that our P.T.A.'s are vitally interested in the education of our children and have supported our endeavors with great enthusiasm.

I wish to express my gratitude to the Superintendent of Schools, School Committee, faculty and townspeople for their efforts, accomplishments and continued support to provide the best possible education for our children.

Respectfully submitted,
EDWARD M. SOTER,
Supervisor of Elementary Schools

**REPORT OF
TREE WARDEN**

Appropriation	\$1,500.00
Transfer from Reserve Fund	<u>386.18</u>
	\$1,886.18

Expenditures:

Sudbury Nurseries, 25 shade trees	\$110.00
R. A. Page Lumber Co., supplies	31.48
Labor & supervision	833.20
Power saw hire	72.00
Truck hire	200.00
Brewer Tree Expert Co. (removing stumps)	238.50
Contract (Labor & equipment)	<u>401.00</u>
	\$1,886.18

Twenty-five (25) shade trees were planted in 1969: 5 Crimson King (red maple) and 20 Norway Maples

I wish to thank the public officials, townspeople and Massachusetts Electric Co. for assistance during 1969.

Respectfully submitted,
DONALD R. KENISTON
Tree Warden

**REPORT OF LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT
OF INSECT CONTROL**

Dutch Elm and Insect Pest Control

Appropriation	\$1,900.00
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Expenditures:

Tri State Forestry Service Inc.	
Dormant spraying of elm trees	\$200.00
Foliage spraying of elm trees	225.00
Topping trees & removing butts	328.00
Donald R. Keniston, pickup truck hire	180.00
Labor & supervision	623.30
Power saw hire & removing stumps	292.00

R. A. Page Lumber Co., supplies	8.09
Upton Hardware Co., supplies	24.00
Telephone & postage	<u>8.50</u>
	\$1,888.89

Balance	\$ 11.11
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Forty-seven (47) Elm trees were removed in 1969.

I wish to thank public officials, State and District supervisors, and townspeople for their cooperation in 1969.

Respectfully submitted,
 DONALD R. KENISTON
Local Supt. of Insect Pest Control

REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board is aware of the growth occurring to communities through which Route 495 passes or which are next to it. The pattern is similar to the growth which followed the construction of Route 128 which saw towns double in population within ten years. The effect of Route 495 can be noted by major growth in communities like Marlborough, Hudson, Westborough and Holliston. Upton is in the path of growth.

The Planning Board hopes to be prepared to meet this growth by studying the desirability of apartments, cluster zoning, improved techniques of subdivision control, and performance standards for non-residential land use.

Respectfully submitted,
 CAROLYN F. BLOMQUIST, *Chairman*
 PETER M. SCRIBNER, *Clerk*
 JAMES R. WHEELER
 PAUL V. SWANSON
 ERNEST RAMSEY
Upton Planning Board

REPORT OF CONSERVATION COMMISSION

At the 1969 annual Town Meeting the Conservation Commission acquired the town-owned parcel of 30 acres located behind the Coach Road Apartments (Housing for the Elderly). The Commission will develop the area immediately behind the apartments for the enjoyment of the senior citizens and in addition will (1) employ forest improvement techniques on the tract and (2) (hopefully) find a public access.

Concern over pollution increased considerably in 1969 in all areas of government - national, state and local. This is overdue but gratifying. Locally, proposed improvement of sewage facilities is good news. Improvements at the town dump are also noted. We urge participation in a regional dump setup.

The Commission sponsored two boys at the State Conservation Camp in Spencer. We hope Corey Nelson and Jeff Pond enjoyed their outing.

We were disappointed that the Legislature did not consider the bill to create a regional refuse disposal district in this area but are hopeful the subject will be handled in 1970.

A bill was filed for 1970 which would create an allotment to be used in weed control projects on five Upton ponds as part of the act. Weed control is an annual problem on which we welcome help.

We are receiving favorable comments from people using the Lake Wildwood property for family outings, etc. Regarding boating on this pond, we wish to discourage the use of high powered craft there because of the small size of the pond and dangerous conditions underwater for propeller craft. We do not, in fact, have a pond in town suitable for fast boats.

PAUL V. SWANSON, *Chairman*
JANET COOPER, *Clerk*
MARJORIE I. McLAUGHLIN
L. PAUL HANNON
PHILIP B. STANTON
GEORGE E. SHEPARD
JOHN TUMOLO

IN MEMORIAM

CHARLES ANDREW BARTON



Town Auditor

1917 – 1944

Born: March 19, 1892 in Upton
Graduate of Upton High School, Class of 1911
Died in Milford Hospital, December 25, 1969

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Balance Sheet, December 31, 1969

ASSETS

Cash:		
General	\$74,259.19	
Library Construction	<u>7,271.00</u>	
		81,530.19
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1967:		507.56
Real Estate		
Levy of 1968:	10,699.14	
Real Estate		
Personal Property	98.90	
Levy of 1969:		
Real Estate	65,944.95	
Personal Property	<u>1,449.60</u>	
		78,700.15
Motor Vehicle Excise:		
Levy of 1967	48.07	
Levy of 1968	812.47	
Levy of 1969	<u>11,391.86</u>	
		12,252.40
Tax Title & Tax Possessions:		
Tax Possessions	1,271.39	
Tax Title	<u>17,608.14</u>	
		18,879.53
Water:		
Water Rates	4,187.66	
Water Service	165.98	
Water Betterment	3,236.89	
Water Liens, 1968	255.40	
Water Liens, 1969	<u>612.24</u>	
		8,458.17

Sewer:	
Sewer Rates	714.00
Sewer Liens, 1967	75.00
Sewer Liens, 1969	<u>75.00</u>
	864.00
Departmental:	
Cemetery, Annual Care/Funerals	327.50
Ambulance	890.00
Veterans Benefits	545.99
Welfare, State, A/Rec.	<u>168.01</u>
	1,931.50
Highways:	
Aid to Highways, State:	
90 Construction, 1961	5,250.00
90 Construction, 1967	10,000.00
90 Construction, 1968	10,000.00
90 Construction, 1969	11,000.00
Highway, #81, 1969	5,931.10
Aid to Highway, County:	
90 Construction, 1961	2,625.00
90 Construction, 1967	5,000.00
90 Construction, 1968	5,000.00
90 Construction, 1969	<u>5,500.00</u>
	60,306.10
Highway Loans:	
Paid in Advance of Reimbursement	68,156.10
Unprovided for:	
State Parks & Reservations	78.73
County Tax	589.92
O.A.A. Recovery/Reimbursement	261.56
Overdrawn:	
Overlay, 1966	<u>20.50</u>
	950.71
TOTAL ASSETS	\$332,028.85

LIABILITIES

Memorial Fund of Upton	216.28
Trust Fund Income:	
Batchelor Knowlton School Fund	954.03
C. A. Batchelor School Fund	166.04
Schultz Library Fund	400.80
Cemetery Perpetual Care	1,429.04
Ella Risteen Beautification	<u>40.00</u>
	2,989.91
Federal Grants:	
Disability Assistance, Admin.	947.72
Disability Assistance, Aid	995.40
Aid Dependent Children, Admin.	176.40
Aid Dependent Children, Aid	1,880.00
Old Age Assistance, Admin.	392.52
Old Age Assistance, Aid	1,265.00
Midical Aid to Aged, Admin.	2,027.37
Medical Aid to Aged, Aid	<u>5,755.49</u>
	13,439.90
Appropriation Balances:	
Cemetery Improvement	300.00
Highway, Renew culvert, Pond St.	1,500.00
Town Clerk Microfilm	325.00
Milford Area Mental Health	271.00
Weed Control, Pratt & Mill Ponds	510.00
Highway, 90 Construction, 1968	2,308.02
Highway, 90 Construction, 1969	22,000.00
School, Nat'l Defense Educ. Act	2.71
Plans for Regional Jr. High School	5,270.30
Preliminary Plans for Library	2,000.00
Civil Defense	179.15
Blue Cross Withholding	124.40
Highway, Widen Maple Avenue	3,300.00
Historical Commission	131.01
Conservation Commission	2,074.01
Water Mains Extension, 1967	7,597.30
Water Mains Extension, 1969	4,000.00
Tax Title Foreclosure	<u>500.00</u>
	52,392.90

Miscellaneous:

Excess Sale of Land, Low Value	115.10
Cemetery Sale of Lots	1,446.00
Overassessment, 1969	1,131.28
Reserve for stopped checks	146.35
Library Construction Fund	7,271.00
Overlay, 1967	507.56
Overlay, 1968	3,795.94
Overlay, 1969	1,996.76
Reserve Fund, Overlay Surplus	19,342.71
General Relief, Reimbursements	520.85
Highway Loans	
Anticipation of Reimbursement	<u>7,850.00</u>
	44,123.55

Revenue:

Departmental	1,931.50
Motor Vehicle Excise	12,252.40
Tax Title-Tax Possession	18,879.53
Water	8,458.17
Sewer	864.00
Highway	<u>60,306.10</u>
	102,691.70

Excess & Deficiency, Surplus Revenue

116,174.61

TOTAL LIABILITIES

\$332,028.85

NET FUNDED AND FIXED DEBT

Total Debt: \$131,000.00

Inside Debt:

Elementary School Loan	2,000.00
Water Loan, 1958	10,000.00

Outside Debt:

Elementary School Loan	6,000.00
Water Loan, 1953	73,000.00
Elementary School Loan, 1953	<u>40,000.00</u>

TOTAL

\$131,000.00

**TRUST AND INVESTMENT FUNDS
CASH AND SECURITIES**

William Knowlton Fund (Principal)	75,000.00
William Knowlton Fund (Income)	9,255.68
George W. Knowlton Fund (Charity)	7,096.14
Knowlton School Fund (Income)	19.15
C. A. Batchelor School Fund, (Principal)	5,000.00
Ella Whitney Risteen Fund, School (Income)	1,153.60
C. A. Batchelor Library Fund (Principal)	5,000.00
Dr Carpenter Library Fund, (Principal)	1,000.00
George W. Schultz Library Fund (Principal)	2,000.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds:	
Milford Federal Savings Bank	20,006.49
Worcester County Institute for Savings	22,735.00
Workmans Compensation Insurance Funds	3,416.21
Ella Whitney Risteen Fund (Income)	
Clause "B" Welfare	21,862.75
Clause "C" School	12,668.42
Clause "D" Beautification	6,536.85
Ella Whitney Risteen Fund (Principal)	84,123.34
C. A. Batchelor & G. W. Knowlton Fund (Principal)	8,438.14
C. A. Batchelor & G. W. Knowlton Fund (Interest)	1,728.25
Stabilization Fund	99,854.83
 TOTAL	 \$386,894.85

Respectfully submitted,
 CHARLES H. FERRIS
Town Accountant

**1969
CASH RECEIPTS**

Real Estate, 1966	761.50
Real Estate, 1967	7,260.77
Real Estate, 1968	30,974.65
Real Estate, 1969	480,702.69
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	519,699.61
 Personal Property, 1967	 95.16
Personal Property, 1968	1,298.98
Personal Property, 1969	52,024.89
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	53,419.03

Farm Animal Excise, 1968	15.25
Farm Animal Excise, 1969	<u>171.98</u>
	187.23
Motor Vehicle Excise, 1966	129.40
Motor Vehicle Excise, 1967	248.96
Motor Vehicle Excise, 1968	12,167.82
Motor Vehicle Excise, 1969	<u>61,141.55</u>
	73,687.73
Water Rates	27,453.40
Water Service	1,085.00
Water Betterment	1,133.42
Water Liens, 1967	26.04
Water Liens, 1968	245.00
Water Liens, 1969	<u>1,603.00</u>
	31,545.86
Sewer Rates	3,204.63
Sewer Liens, 1968	30.00
Sewer Liens, 1969	<u>316.50</u>
	3,551.13
Cemetery Annual Care/Funerals	1,444.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Bequests	1,630.00
Cemetery Interest Income	2,137.49
Cemetery Sale of Lots	<u>225.00</u>
	5,436.49
Ambulance A/Rec.	360.00
Ella Risteen Fund, Welfare	100.00
Ella Risteen Fund, Schools	1,067.93
Ella Risteen Fund, Beautification	5,249.62
Ella Whitney Risteen Fund, Scholarships	50.00
C. A. Batchelor Fund, Schools	284.86
C. A. Batchelor Fund, Library	239.05
Schultz Fund, Library	113.94
Carpenter Library Fund	57.00
Nellie Bagley Cemetery Fund	2.90
William Knowlton Fund	1,452.66
Dog Licenses for County	1,037.00
Sale of Dogs	15.00

County Retirement (Withholding)	1,313.03
Mass. State Tax (Withholding)	2,327.60
Blue Cross/Blue Shield (Withholding)	<u>1,843.06</u>
	15,513.65

Temporary Loans, Anticipation of Reimbursement	300,000.00
Highway Loans, Anticipation of Reimbursement	<u>56,150.00</u>
	356,150.00

Miscellaneous Town Income:

Mass. Withholding Tax	14.55
Permits & Licenses	2,691.10
Refund	1.00
Interest on Taxes	1,242.08
Fees on Taxes	674.00
Police Dept. Receipts	389.75
Return of Fines	335.00
Town Hall Rent	340.00
Municipal Liens	123.00
Betterment Liens	6.00
Town Clerk Receipts	51.50
Destroy Dogs	3.00
Brewer Tree	24.00
Insurance Claims	181.98
Sewer Permits	135.00
Plumbing Permits	289.00
Gas & Oil Permits	3.50
Wiring Permits	221.00
Milk Inspector Fees	17.00
Library Fines	<u>19.56</u>
	6,762.02

Board of Health	5,261.95
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State Receipts:

Veterans Benefits	9,244.32
Highway, 90 Construction, 1966	10,000.00
Highway, #81, 1968	5,056.52
Highway, #81, 1969	11,118.90
Highway, 90 Maintenance, 1968	2,899.88
Highway, 90 Maintenance, 1969	3,799.94

Welfare, Disability Assistance	150.90
Welfare, Medical Aid to Aged	1,777.73
State Aid to Library	781.75
Cafeteria	519.69
Welfare Office Rent	1,000.00
Dutch Elm, Insect Pest Control	72.87
Flood Control	1,369.18
State Valuation	18,367.15
Loss of Taxes	7,563.60
Child Guardianship	1,939.26
Disabled Veterans	1,329.60
Mass. State Tax	15,840.00
School Transportation	4,617.54
School Buildings (Reimbursements)	13,641.18
Vocational Education	1,263.01
Machinery	2,749.60
Regional School	15,809.21
School Tuition	647.56
Schools, Chapter #70	<u>105,890.35</u>
	237,449.74
State Receipts:	
Chapter #616 High (Special)	7,869.52
Sewer Plant Plans	<u>9,000.00</u>
	16,869.52
County Receipts:	
Highway, 90 Construction, 1966	5,000.00
Highway, 90 Maintenance, 1968	2,899.88
Highway, 90 Maintenance, 1969	3,799.94
Dog Tax	<u>829.58</u>
	12,529.40
Federal Receipts:	
Medical Aid to Aged, Admin (Welfare)	484.93
Medical Aid to Aged, Aid (Welfare)	<u>1,121.06</u>
	1,605.99
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$1,339,669.35

CASH EXPENDITURES

Moderator Salary	50.00
Finance Clerk Salary	100.00
Finance Comm. Expense	<u>108.20</u>
	208.20
Selectmen Salaries	1,000.00
Selectmen Clerk Salary	400.00
Selectmen Expense:	
Printing & Postage	56.25
Tickets & Travel	63.70
Other Expenses	<u>144.39</u>
	1,664.34
Accountant Salary	1,650.00
Accountant Expense:	
Equipment & Supplies	197.50
Postage	39.40
Phone & Travel	73.10
Other Expenses	<u>340.00</u>
	2,300.00
Treasurer Salary	1,650.00
Treasurer Expense:	
Supplies	127.61
Printing & Postage	272.29
Travel & Phone	57.10
Other Expenses	<u>543.00</u>
	2,650.00
Tax Collector Salary	1,900.00
Tax Collector Expense:	
Clerk Salary	384.25
Printing & Postage	292.10
Forms	149.60
Other Expenses	<u>63.55</u>
	2,789.50
Assessors Salary	2,100.00
Assessors Clerk Salary	1,200.00
Assessors Expenses:	
Printing & Postage	102.87
Supplies	584.71

Other Expenses	285.68
Extroardinary Expense	<u>211.00</u>
	4,484.26
Legal Dept. Salary	50.00
Legal Dept. Expense	<u>725.00</u>
	775.00
Town Clerk Salary	1,000.00
Town Clerk Expense:	
Filing Certificates	131.00
Printing & Postage	73.50
Tickets & Travel	12.00
Supplies	176.09
Other Expenses	<u>60.67</u>
	1,453.26
Registrar of Voters Salary	250.00
Registrar of Voters Expenses:	
Street Listing	432.00
Printing	<u>44.00</u>
	726.20
Elections & Town Meetings	532.87
Building Inspector Salary	150.00
Building Inspector Expense	<u>149.00</u>
	299.00
Planning Board Expense	286.96
Regional Planning District	<u>265.00</u>
	551.96
Appeal Board Expense	100.31
Town Hall Expense:	
Janitor Salary	1,200.00
Fuel	1,418.91
Electricity	1,453.12
Gas	142.75
Phone	328.88
Water	26.00
Supplies	397.66
Repairs	771.87
Other Expenses	<u>285.00</u>
	6,024.19

Paint Exterior of Town Hall	1,940.00
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Radio Maintenance	
Phone	181.01
Other Expenses	<u>467.41</u>
	648.42

TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT EXPENSE	\$27,197.51
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Police Department:

Police Chief Salary	7,200.00
Police Officer Salary	6,600.00
Police Officer Salary	6,000.00
Patrolmen Wages	6,924.05
Equipment	280.48
Gas & Maintenance	2,865.56
Forms & Permits	166.86
Phone	631.51
Supplies	288.02
Other Expenses	150.42
New Police Cruiser	2,450.00
Police Clothing Allowance	223.98
Walkie-Talkie Radio	<u>563.77</u>
	34,344.65

Forest Fire Department:

Payroll	1,292.00
Supplies	74.98
Equipment Repairs	130.78
Gas & Oil, Vehicles	94.46
Permits	25.00
New Hose	300.00
Other Expenses	<u>120.46</u>
	2,037.68

Fire Department:

Janitor	264.00
Fireman Salaries	3,149.98
Equipment repairs	1,110.57
Station Repairs	6.75
Gas & Oil, Vehicles	176.13
Fuel, Station	515.39
Water	26.00
Electricity	426.26

Phone	207.31
Other Expenses	542.32
New Hose	500.00
Fire Dept. Lights	200.00
Extraordinary Expense	<u>598.65</u>
	7,723.36
Fire Alarm System:	
Electricity	72.00
Phone	362.32
Other Expenses	<u>532.79</u>
	967.11
Tree Department:	
Labor	833.20
Truck Hire	208.00
Equipment	450.00
Other Expenses	394.98
Dutch Elm:	
Labor	613.20
Truck Hire	180.00
Equipment	597.00
Other Expenses	498.69
Tree Dept. Special Reimb. (State)	<u>48.00</u>
	3,823.07
TOTAL PROTECTION OF PERSONS & PROPERTY	\$48,895.87
Board of Health:	
Food Inspector	600.00
Board of Health Agent	250.00
Board of Health Salary	450.00
Board of Health Expense:	
Supplies	215.53
Electricity	34.75
Travel	15.60
Insurance	8.67
Fuel	74.18
Rent	220.00
Phone	55.00
Clinics	20.00
Milford Area Mental Health	785.00
Milk Inspector Salary	50.00
Wire Inspector Salary	150.00

Animal Inspector Salary	125.00
Plumbing Inspector Salary	250.00
Town Dump Rental	800.00
Town Dump Maintenance	3,543.41
Nursing Service Salaries	8,937.60
Board of Health Clerk	880.00
Town Dump Custodian	2,758.40
Nursing Service Expenses:	
Electricity	69.50
Fuel	148.40
Rent	440.00
Phone	142.75
Other Expenses	<u>1,887.49</u>
	22,911.28
Dog Officer Salary	200.00
Dog Officer Expense	<u>490.15</u>
	690.15
Ambulance:	
Payroll	1,231.00
Gas & Oil	182.68
Repairs	121.93
Laundry	77.55
Other Expenses	<u>60.27</u>
	1,673.43
TOTAL HEALTH & SANITATION	\$25,274.86
Highway Department:	
#90 Construction:	
Labor	2,748.01
Equipment	15,511.00
Material	<u>16,623.05</u>
	34,882.06
Highway #81	
Labor	4,948.78
Equipment	9,258.50
Material	<u>7,492.23</u>
	21,699.51

#90 Maintenance	
Labor	268.24
Equipment	488.50
Material	<u>10,643.08</u>
	11,399.82
General:	
Labor	551.01
Equipment	2,617.00
Material	<u>1,831.64</u>
	4,999.65
Snow Removal:	
Labor	5,436.52
Equipment	34,262.13
Material	<u>10,291.08</u>
	49,989.73
Bridges & Guardrails:	
Labor	294.00
Equipment	356.75
Material	<u>349.02</u>
	999.77
Sidewalks:	
Labor	168.50
Equipment	159.50
Material	<u>672.00</u>
	1,000.00
Highway Street Lights	7,767.43
Bituminous Concrete:	
Labor	1,316.34
Equipment	711.50
Material	<u>7,971.82</u>
	9,999.66
Signs & Markings:	
Labor	35.00
Equipment	34.50
Material	<u>929.91</u>
	999.41

Cider Mill Lane:	
Equipment	297.00
Material	<u>203.00</u>
	500.00
Special Highway #616:	
Equipment	8.00
Material	<u>7,861.52</u>
	7,861.52
TOTAL HIGHWAYS	\$152,106.56
Veterans Services:	
Ordinary Allowances	12,389.04
Food	25.00
Medical	<u>6,722.84</u>
	19,136.88
Veteran Officer Salary	750.00
Veteran Officer Expense	<u>599.96</u>
	1,349.96
TOTAL VETERANS SERVICES	\$20,486.84
Library:	
Librarian Salary	1,500.00
Assistants Wages	297.75
Books	293.45
Periodicals	549.51
Box Rent	4.40
Supplies	114.50
Phone	93.85
Other Expense	<u>16.00</u>
TOTAL LIBRARY	\$ 2,869.46
Schools:	
Mendon-Upton Regional District	542,620.00
Blackstone Valley Reg. Vocational	<u>19,476.00</u>
TOTAL SCHOOLS	\$562,096.00
Parks Department:	
Parks & Athletic Field:	
Common	61.15
Supplies	148.65
Maintenance	<u>184.88</u>
	394.68

Summer Recreation:	
Labor/Supplies	311.30
Other	<u>188.70</u>
	500.00
Summer Playground:	
Labor	1,105.00
Supplies & Equipment	266.77
Other Expense	<u>105.00</u>
	1,476.77
Summer Youth Program:	
Payroll	300.00
Other	<u>60.00</u>
	360.00
Tennis Court Fence	635.00
Maintaining Town Lawns	<u>775.00</u>
TOTAL PARKS DEPARTMENT	\$ 4,141.45
Recreation & Unclassified:	
Conservation Commission	309.60
Historical Society	61.00
Memorial Day	336.65
Civil Defense	246.14
Bonding Town Officers	313.00
County Retirement Assessment	3,469.23
Printing	2,480.49
Insurance	7,822.34
Stabilization Fund	12,000.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Billing	362.85
State Assessment Service	140.08
Auditing Municipal Accounts	424.04
State Parks & Reservations	4,223.37
Blue Cross – Blue Shield	1,725.18
Cafeteria	<u>607.53</u>
TOTAL RECREATION & UNCLASSIFIED	\$ 34,521.50
Water Department:	
Water Comm. Salaries	400.00
Water Comm. Expense	450.00
Water Dept. Clerk Salary	650.00
Water Superintendent Salary	1,250.00

Water & Sewer Maintenance:	
Equipment & Supplies	1,432.19
Labor	861.51
Electricity	3,114.20
Repairs	1,030.11
Meters	811.04
Meter Repairs	292.20
Fuel	148.95
Other Expenses	<u>1,413.41</u>
	9,103.61
Water Mains Extension	1,059.02
Town Sewer System	9,000.00
Hydrant Rental	5,925.00
Extraordinary Expense	<u>129.50</u>
TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT	\$ 27,967.13
Cemetery Department:	
Cemetery Comm. Salary	200.00
General Expense:	
Labor	3,241.10
Equipment	744.40
Supplies	179.42
Other Expense	<u>447.35</u>
	4,612.27
Cemetery Machinery	225.00
Perpetual Care Interest:	
Labor	1,562.15
Equipment	411.90
Other Expense	<u>3.00</u>
	1,977.05
Perpetual Care Bequests	<u>1,630.00</u>
TOTAL CEMETERY DEPARTMENT	\$ 8,644.32
Interest & Maturing Debt:	
Interest:	
Anticipation of Reimbursement	7,712.19
Water Loans	3,023.75
School Loans	1,516.25

Highway Loans	299.81
	12,552.00

Maturing Debt:

Anticipation of Reimbursement	300,000.00
Highway	79,000.00
Schools	23,000.00
Water	12,000.00
	414,000.00

TOTAL INTEREST & MATURING DEBT	\$426,552.00
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Agency, Trust & Investment Funds:

County Hospital	1,606.18
County Tax	21,638.42
Dog Licenses to County	1,093.75
Sale of Dogs	27.00
Mass. Withholding Taxes	2,327.60
County Retirement	1,313.03
William Knowlton Fund	1,452.66
Ella Risteen Funds:	
Welfare	100.00
School	1,067.93
Scholarship	50.00
Beautification	5,209.62
Schultz Library Fund	14.80
Medical Assistance to Aged, Fed.	1,526.87
Refunds – Taxes:	
Real Estate Refunds	2,444.45
Motor Vehicle Excise Refunds	2,160.78
Personal Property Refunds	3.60

TOTAL AGENCY, TRUST & INVESTMENT FUNDS\$	42,036.69
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TOTAL CASH DISBURSEMENTS	\$1,382,790.19
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I wish to express my appreciation to the Town Departments for their cooperation during the past year.

The Taxpayers of this town should be furnished with an accurate record of all town finances the same as any business does for its Stockholders. Operating the Town as a Business means we should have complete cooperation between Executive Members and all the various Departments. Any member of a Department who does

not have the time or desire to be an active participant should resign and allow an active member of the Community to participate. I believe that every Department of the Town should meet together as a Unit every three months to discuss any and all problems, laws, budgets, etc. that would benefit the Town as a whole. A Million Dollar Business needs close cooperation and dedication from all the members to make it successful.

Respectfully,
CHARLES H. FERRIS, Sr.
Town Accountant

J. ORSON FISKE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS**1881 – 1969**

Upton's oldest patriotic organization has disbanded after nearly nine decades of noteworthy activity in the community.

J. Orson Fiske Woman's Relief Corps officially disbanded December 31, 1969 with 22 members, Mrs. Jean B. Allen, president. From its treasury, one of the last acts of the Corps was to present the town of Upton with a check of \$150 for the Ambulance Fund.

The organization was instituted July 15, 1891 as an auxiliary to the local Grand Army of the Republic Post with 26 members. On July 19, 1888 it became affiliated with the Women's Relief Corps, chartered with 24 members and named in memory of J. Orson Fiske. Mrs. Abbie Morse was the first president.

Jonathan Orson Fiske, a student, for whom the post and corps were named, enlisted as a private at the age of 18 from Upton in the Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry, September 9, 1861, at Camp Lincoln, Worcester. He was killed in action, March 11, 1862 at New Bern, North Carolina, serving in Mass. Co. A 25th Infantry.

On July 11, 1892 the local Corps was authorized by the W.R.C. Department Headquarters to change its number from No. 111 to No. 105 to correspond to the number of the G.A.R. Post.

In the Spring of 1920 a membership contest was conducted with two teams, "Blue" and "White" Captains were the late Mrs. George W. Knowlton Jr. and Mrs. George Burdick. On April 26, 1920 a large class was received into membership, bringing the total to 107, the highest in the corps' history.

J. Orson Fiske Corps had 10 past presidents to comprise the Past Presidents' Association when it disbanded.

During its many years of service it has been honored with two State WRC presidents, Mrs. Lillian M. Temple and Mrs. Viola Day. They also held National W.R.C. offices.

For years the Corps members decorated graves of deceased members in local and out-of-town cemeteries Memorial Day, conducted Memorial Day exercises in Upton Common and at cemeteries, presented many U.S. Flags to local veteran organizations, schools, Boys and Girl Scouts; assisted in Child Welfare work, and donated to all community drives.

The Corps was commended Oct. 20, 1959 by the Veterans' Administration Volunteer Services, West Roxbury Veterans Hospital, for presenting smoking material once a month for many years to the patients.

The 26 Charter members of the J. Orson Fiske Post, G.A.R. were: Albert Davis, C.N. Harrington, A. S. Johnson, Charles E. Brooks, W. H. Wellington, James Cavanaugh, Hazen Leighton, George L. Childs, C. H. Johnson, John M. Barr, H. A. Symonds, C. H. Stone, A. C. Southland, E. Warren Harback, C. I. Pike, D. W. Morse, H. M. Clark, J. A. Rockwood, Charles H. Nichols, P. N. Rockwood, George A. Norcross, C. W. Comstock, Samuel Wilson, George W. Wood, George E. Hatch and Oliver Orr.

Today the townspeople thank the Corps for its many community and patriotic activities down through the years between the preliminary organization in 1881 until the final day of December, 1969, when it made a generous donation to the Town's Ambulance Fund before disbanding.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOWN COLLECTOR

For the Year Ending December 31, 1969

1966 REAL ESTATE TAX

Outstanding 12/31/68—Real Estate		\$ 823.00
Paid Treasurer — Real Estate	\$ 761.50	
Abated	20.50	
Tax Title	<u>41.00</u>	823.00
Interest Collected and Paid Treasurer		120.82
Fees Collected and Paid Treasurer		7.00

1966 AUTO EXCISE TAX

Outstanding 12/31/68		218.50
Paid Treasurer	129.40	
Abated	<u>89.10</u>	218.50
Fees Collected and Paid Treasurer		18.00

1967 REAL ESTATE TAX

Outstanding 12/31/68 — Real Estate		8,758.93
Water Liens	<u>26.04</u>	8,784.97
Paid Treasurer — Real Estate	7,260.77	
Water Liens	26.04	
Abated	27.30	
Tax Title	963.30	
Outstanding 12/31/69	<u>507.56</u>	8,784.97
Interest Collected and Paid Treasurer		53.00
Fees Collected and Paid Treasurer		583.40

1967 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX

Outstanding 12/31/68		183.30
Paid Treasurer		183.30

Interest Collected and Paid Treasurer	6.00
Fees Collected and Paid Treasurer	15.00

1967 AUTO EXCISE TAX

Outstanding 12/31/68	335.04
Paid Treasurer	248.96
Abated	<u>86.08</u>
Fees Collected and Paid Treasurer	335.04
	18.00

1968 REAL ESTATE TAX

Outstanding 12/31/68	
Real Estate	43,316.29
Water Liens	519.79
Sewer Liens	<u>30.00</u>
Paid Treasurer	43,866.08
Real Estate	30,974.65
Water Liens	245.00
Sewer Liens	30.00
Abated – Real Estate	554.70
Tax Title	1,087.90
Outstanding 12/31/69 – Real Estate	10,699.04
Water Liens	<u>274.79</u>
Interest Collected and Paid Treasurer	43,866.08
Fees Collected and Paid Treasurer	466.87
	44.00

1968 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX

Outstanding 12/31/68	1,387.89
Paid Treasurer	1,298.99
Outstanding 12/31/69	<u>98.90</u>
Interest Collected and Paid Treasurer	1,397.89
Fees Collected and Paid Treasurer	23.75
	29.00

1968 FARM ANIMAL EXCISE TAX

Outstanding 12/31/68	15.25
Paid Treasurer	15.25

1968 AUTO EXCISE TAX

Outstanding 12/31/68	10,005.49	
Committed 1969	<u>5,221.30</u>	15,226.79
Paid Treasurer	12,172.33	
Abated	2,158.46	
Outstanding 12/31/69	896.00	15,226.79
Interest Collected and Paid Treasurer		42.24
Fees Collected and Paid Treasurer		460.00

1969 REAL ESTATE TAX

Committed		
Real Estate	581,348.64	
Water Liens	2,184.89	
Sewer Liens	<u>421.85</u>	583,955.38
Paid Treasurer		
Real Estate	480,702.69	
Water Liens	1,546.99	
Sewer Liens	337.50	
Abated	32,871.00	
Less Refunds	<u>1,165.20</u>	31,705.80
Tax Titles		2,995.20
Outstanding 12/31/69		
Real Estate	65,944.95	
Water Liens	637.90	
Sewer Liens	<u>84.35</u>	583,955.38
Interest Collected and Paid Treasurer		6.70

1969 PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX

Committed		53,603.13
Paid Treasurer	52,024.89	
Abated	128.64	
Outstanding 12/31/69	<u>1,449.60</u>	53,603.13

1969 FARM ANIMAL EXCISE TAX

Committed	171.98
Paid Treasurer	171.98

1969 AUTO EXCISE TAX

Committed		77,089.38
Paid Treasurer	61,142.14	
Abated	6,172.07	
Less Refunds	<u>1,435.86</u>	4,736.21
Outstanding 12/31/69	11,211.03	77,089.38
Fees Collected and Paid Treasurer		132.00
Interest Collected and Paid Treasurer		2.10

WATER ACCOUNTS

Outstanding 12/31/68	5,405.56	
Committed during 1969	22,357.49	27,763.05
Paid Treasurer	<u>21,452.75</u>	
Abated	166.69	
Transferred to Water Liens	2,184.89	
Outstanding 12/31/69	<u>3,958.72</u>	27,763.05

SEWER ACCOUNTS

Outstanding 12/31/68	732.00	
Committed during 1969	3,646.54	4,378.54
Paid Treasurer	<u>3,204.63</u>	
Abated	68.41	
Transferred to Sewer Liens	391.50	
Outstanding 12/31/69	<u>714.00</u>	4,378.54

WATER SERVICE ACCOUNT

Outstanding 12/31/68	30.35	
Committed during 1969	625.00	655.35
Paid Treasurer	<u>625.00</u>	
Transferred to Service Lien	<u>30.35</u>	655.35

WATER BETTERMENT ACCOUNTS

Outstanding 12/31/68	4,370.31	
Paid Treasurer	1,133.42	
Outstanding 12/31/68	<u>3,236.89</u>	4,370.31

HYDRANT RENTALS

Committed	5,925.00
Paid Treasurer	5,925.00

MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNTS

Sprinkler charges	
outstanding 12/31/68	80.00
Committed during 1969	<u>380.00</u>
	460.00
Paid Treasurer	460.00
Turning Off Water	
Outstanding 12/31/68	6.00
Paid Treasurer	2.00
Outstanding 12/31/69	<u>4.00</u>
	6.00
Broken Hydrant – Committed 1969	82.00
Paid Treasurer	82.00
Meter Repair – Committed 1969	8.60
Paid Treasurer	8.60

CEMETERY ACCOUNT

Annual Care – Outstanding 12/31/68	120.50
Committed 1969	<u>148.00</u>
	268.50
Paid Treasurer	127.00
Abated	6.00
Outstanding 12/31/69	<u>135.50</u>
	268.50
Sale of Lots – Outstanding 12/31/68	160.00
Committed 1969	<u>315.00</u>
	475.00
Paid Treasurer	225.00
Outstanding 12/31/69	<u>250.00</u>
	475.00
Perpetual Care	
Outstanding 12/31/69	1,020.00
Committed 1969	<u>1,636.00</u>
	2,656.00

Paid Treasurer	1,410.00	
Outstanding 12/31/69	<u>1,246.00</u>	2,656.00
 Burials – Outstanding 12/31/68	125.00	
Committed 1969	<u>1,800.00</u>	1,925.00
 Paid Treasurer	1,545.00	
Outstanding 12/31/69	<u>380.00</u>	1,925.00

AMBULANCE ACCOUNT

Outstanding 12/31/68	865.00	
Committed during 1969	<u>500.00</u>	1,365.00
 Paid Treasurer	210.00	
Outstanding 12/31/69	<u>1,155.00</u>	1,365.00

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

Certificates of Municipal Lien		
Issued 34		102.00
Certificates for Dissolving		
Betterment Liens – Issued 3		6.00

Respectfully submitted,
 CLEMENT J. LAMBERT
 Town Collector

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