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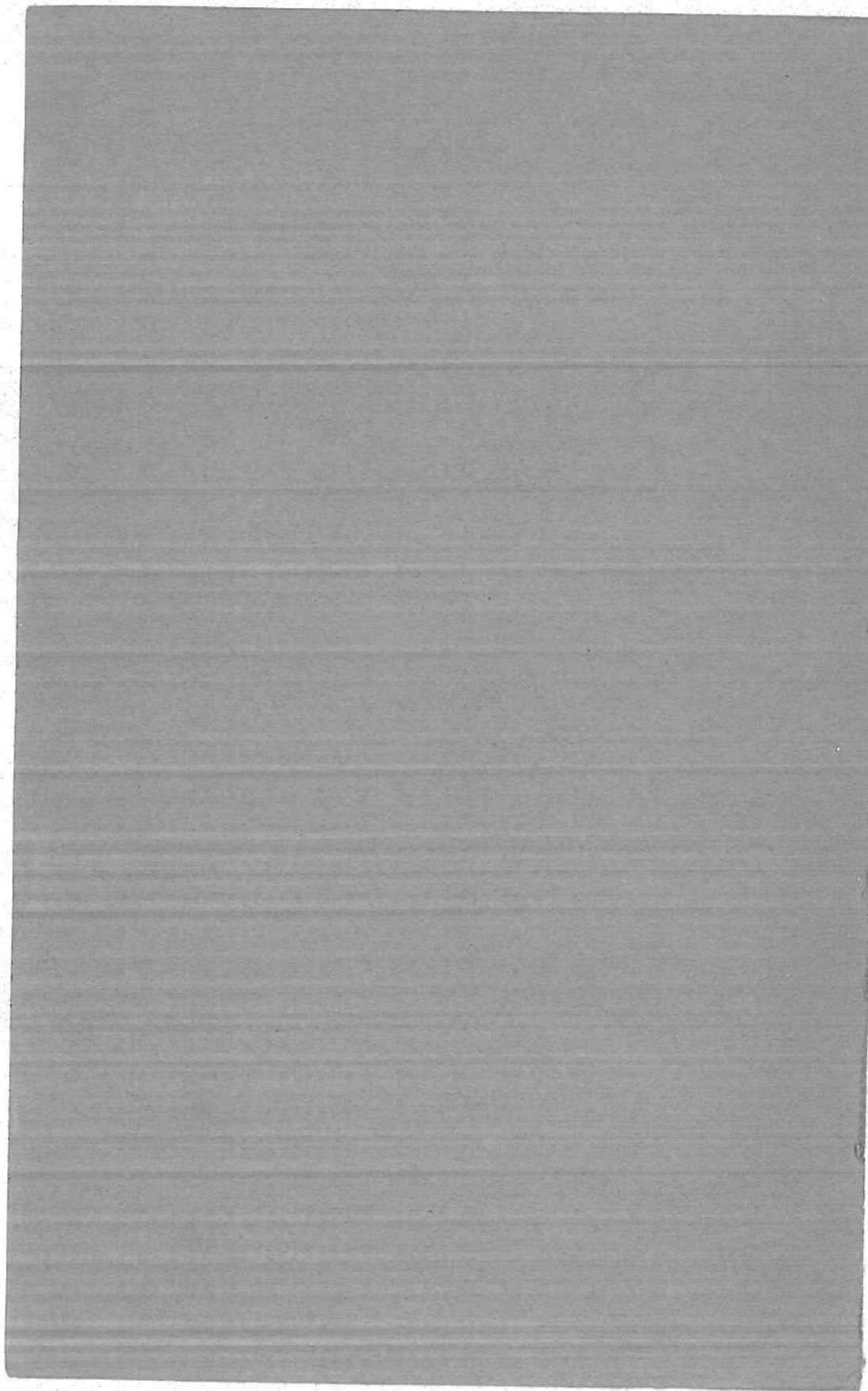
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MILFORD, MASS.

1949.

TOWN OF UPTON.

Incorporated, June 14, 1735.
Population, 1945 State Census: 2388.
Total Miles of Highway: 65.

1949.

U. S. SENATORS.

Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr. of Beverly.
Leverett Saltonstall of Newton.

CONGRESSMAN, Third District.
Philip J. Philbin of Clinton.

COUNCILLOR, Seventh District.
John J. O'Brien of Worcester.

SENATOR, Fourth Worcester District.
Joseph F. Gibney of Webster.

REPRESENTATIVES, Ninth Worcester District.
William P. DiVitto of Milford.
Maurice E. Fitzgerald of Milford.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Francis E. Cassidy of Webster, Chairman
P. Eugene Casey of Milford.
George W. Jones of Worcester.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

Alfred B. Cenedella of Milford.

SHERIFF OF WORCESTER COUNTY.

William A. Bennett of Worcester.

COUNTY TREASURER.

Alexander G. Lajoie of Worcester.

CLEAK OF COURTS, Worcester County.

William C. Bowen of Worcester.

REGISTER OF DEEDS.

Robert R. Gallagher of Worcester.

REGISTER OF PROBATE.

J. Joseph Donohue of Worcester.

OFFICERS FOR 1948.

MODERATOR.

Halbert K. Struthers.

TOWN CLERK.

George G. Newton, term expires 1950.

SELECTMEN.

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

TREASURER.

Leo F. Murphy.

ASSESSORS OF TAXES.

George E. Bradley, Chairman, term expires 1950,	
Clement J. Lambert, Clerk, term expires 1949.	
(Resigned, December 23, 1948.)	
Donald L. Varney, term expires 1951.	

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE.

Charles F. Caton, Chairman, term expires 1951.	
Ernest I. Bentley, Clerk, term expires 1950,	
Charles A. Davis, term expires 1949.	

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

George E. Nydam, Chairman, term expires 1949.	
Elsie J. Craib, Clerk, term expires 1951.	
Donald B. Johnson, term expires 1950.	

COLLECTOR OF TAXES.

Karl S. Whitten.

(Resigned, December 22, 1948.)

Temporary Tax Collector

Clement J. Lambert (to fill unexpired term.)

AUDITOR.

Ashley M. Perkins.

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

Norman E. Walker, Chairman, term expires 1951,

Arthur J. Page, Treasurer, term expires 1949,

Elmer F. Butterfield, Clerk, term expires 1950.

CONSTABLES.

Daniel H. Bates, Alvin P. Nichols, Charles H. Southland,
Benjamin E. Swift, Clifton A. Temple.

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Frank O. Ogden, Chairman,

Alice M. Hall, Elizabeth H. Wood,
Term expires 1949.

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

Charles DeVries, Newton J. Frost, Dana A. Stanley.
Term expires 1951.

ROAD COMMISSIONER.

Harry C. Snow.

TREE WARDEN.

Edmond Benoit.

APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN IN 1948.

TOWN COUNSEL.

Henry C. Walker.

ACTING CHIEF OF POLICE.

Daniel H. Bates.

POLICE OFFICERS.

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

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS.

William S. Elliot, Grange Hall; Walter L. Brousseau and Albert J. Robida, South Upton area; Alfred H. Nichols and Victor Grignon, American Legion Building; William Bellofatto, North Pond area.

LOCKUP KEEPER.

Robert E. Blackburn.

FENCE VIEWERS.

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

PUBLIC WEIGHERS.

William S. Evans,
Henry J. Poirier, Eva K. Evans,
 Edward C. Rock, Ernest N. Rivers,
 Joseph L. Wright.

DOG OFFICER.

Joseph P. Bibeau.

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

Harry C. Snow.

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Fred W. Tuttle.

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK.

Fred W. Fiske, Walter E. Hopkins, Malcolm C. Temple,
 Joseph Poirier.

MEASURERS OF LUMBER.

Fred W. Fiske, Walter E. Hopkins, Malcolm C. Temple,
 David H. Dow.

VETERANS' SERVICE AGENT.

Karl S. Whitten.

BURIAL AGENT OF DECEASED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS.

Karl S. Whitten.

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING.

Arthur W. Morrison.

MILK INSPECTOR.

Harry C. Usher.

CARETAKER OF TOWN DUMP.

Edmond Benoit.

BOARD OF HEALTH.

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

George G. Newton, Agent to issue Burial Permits.

CARETAKER OF TOWN HALL.

Robert E. Blackburn.

CARETAKER OF GRAND ARMY HALL.

Walter J. Stank.

CUSTODIAN OF VETERANS' GRAVES.

Charles E. Aldrich

LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT TO SUPPRESS THE GYPSY MOTH.

(Subject to approval of State Forester).

Edmond Benoit.

FOREST WARDEN.

(Subject to approval of State Forester).

Walter J. Stank.

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

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

Arthur W. Morrison.

FIRE ENGINEERS.

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

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Harrison E. Bates, Clerk, Leroy W. Prentiss, Ralph G. Briggs.
Terms expire 1949.

Windsor B. Brooks, William C. Carroll,
Peter Robson, Chairman.
Terms expire 1950.

Arthur M. Bartlett, Gordon E. Benson, Samuel W. Bailey,
Terms expire 1951.

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS.

Edwin W. Sadler (D), Chairman, term expires 1951,
Robert M. Stuart (R), term expires 1949,
James L. Kearnan (D), term expires 1950,
George G. Newton (R), ex-officio, Clerk.

VETERANS' HOUSING AUTHORITY.

Arthur M. Bartlett, Charles DeVries, Harold S. Hopkins,
Leroy W. Prentiss, Raymond F. Lyford (appointed by State).

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
AND MEETING
FEBRUARY 2, 1948.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

*Worcester, SS.*To the Constable of the Town of Upton, in the County of
Worcester. *RECORDED IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE* Greeting:

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

Article 1. To choose all necessary town officers for the ensuing year: Moderator, Town Treasurer, three Selectmen, Collector of Taxes, Auditor, five Constables, Road Commissioner and Tree Warden, all for one year; one Assessor of Taxes, one member of the Board of Public Welfare, one member of the School Committee, one Cemetery Commissioner and three Trustees of Public Library, all for three years; one member of the Cemetery Commission for two years, to fill vacancy, and one Trustee of Public Library for two years, to fill vacancy.

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

The polls shall be closed at 8 o'clock P. M. on the day of said meeting. In accordance with Article 2, Section 1 of the

By-Laws of the Town of Upton, the remaining articles contained in the warrant will be acted upon at an adjourned meeting of the Voters in Town Hall, Saturday afternoon, February 7, 1948, at two o'clock.

Article 2. To hear the reports of all town officers, and take any action thereon.

Article 3. To hear reports of any committees appointed by the town, and take any action thereon.

Article 4. To hear a further report of the special Upton Memorial High School Building Committee and act thereon.

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

Article 6. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray expenses of town departments for the ensuing year, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1948, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer to the Town Treasury, the sum of Three Thousand Dollars

(\$3,000.00) appropriated for highway purposes and meeting the State and County share of cost thereon on February 17, 1945, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the unexpended balance of Three Hundred Fifteen Dollars and Eighty-one Cents (\$315.81) of the West River Street Bridge Account to the Town Treasury, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or take from unappropriated funds in the treasury, the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for repairs and other improvements of the so-called Pleasant Street Bridge, said appropriation to be used with monies received from the State or County, or both, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-six Dollars and Twenty-three Cents (\$1,736.23) for payment of Snow Removal bills incurred in 1947, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) to establish a Highway Employes' Vacation Fund, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Forty-three Dollars (\$343.00) for the purchase of hose for the Forest Warden Department, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for installation of shower baths in Town Hall Building, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to accept Wildwood Avenue as a public way as petitioned for by Raymond E. Griffin and others, as laid out by the Selectmen in accordance with their report, and according to a plan filed with the Town Clerk, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for Chapter 90 Highway Construction on Mendon Street, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the proceeds of the 1947 Dog Tax Refund, the sum of Six Hundred Eighty-five Dollars and Sixty Cents (\$685.60) to the School Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) for the purchase of hose for the Fire Department, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for the purchase of coats, helmets, other equipment, and special repairs for the Fire Department, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty-four Dollars and Sixty-five Cents (\$254.65) in accordance with provisions of Chapter 32, Section 22, General Laws, for Pension Fund and Expense Fund of the Worcester County Retirement System for 1948, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to install seven electric street lights on Glen Avenue Extension, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Twenty-five Dollars (\$625.00) additional for a new bridge and its approaches on Mendon Street under Chapter 90, General Laws, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of Five Dollars and Sixty Cents (\$5.60) from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Town Treasurer to withdraw from the Worcester Five Cent Savings Bank, account known as Upton Memorial Fund, established many years ago by the late Velorus Taft, the sum of Two Hundred Sixteen Dollars and Twenty-eight Cents (\$216.28), plus any accumulated interest thereon, and vote to use such sum or whatever portion thereof as may be necessary in the discretion of the Selectmen, for the purpose of general maintenance, upkeep and improvement of the plots upon which are located the granite memorial markers to Upton men who made the Supreme Sacrifice in World War II, said markers being situated at street intersections now named as squares in their memory, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Assessors of Taxes to use Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) from available unappropriated funds in the treasury in establishing the 1948 Tax Rate, or take any action in relation thereto.

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

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

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

DANIEL H. BATES,
HAROLD S. HOPKINS,
ERNEST B. PORTER,
Selectmen of Upton.

A true copy.

Attest:

CLIFTON A. TEMPLE,
Constable of Upton.

Upton, Mass., January 24, 1948.

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 Second Day of February, 1948, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the Post-offices and on the Town House at least seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

CLIFTON A. TEMPLE,
Constable of Town of Upton.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,
TOWN ELECTION, FEBRUARY 2, 1948.

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Worcester, SS.

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, the Town Clerk called the meeting to order at Seven A. M., on Monday the Second Day of February, 1948, in Town Hall, in the absence of Moderator George C. Messenger. There were about 30 voters in the hall.

George A. Whittemore on a point of order questioned the authority of the Town Clerk to open the meeting, stating in substance that he was elected Moderator in 1946, that there was no town election (February 8, 1947) in 1947 an action to validate certain persons serving in office (February 8, 1947) for 1947 was in error.

The Town Clerk in answer to a question of Mr. Whittemore stated that on the Third day of February, 1947, ballots were cast; that Mr. Messenger received the most votes for Moderator and took oath of office, and on the following Saturday (February 8, 1947) he again took oath as Moderator after certain action at that meeting. He further said he was acting on advice of the Town Counsel.

Norman E. Walker nominated Halbert K. Struthers to serve at today's election as temporary Moderator and the motion was seconded. No other nomination was made. Edward L. Prentiss moved to close nominations and it was so voted.

The Town Clerk appointed Kenneth W. Wood, Walter J. Stank, Alfred H. Nichols and Peter Bingel as checkers and as tellers to count ballots for temporary Moderator and they were sworn to fulfill their duties as such.

Ballots were distributed to voters desiring them and the check list used. Sixteen ballots were issued. Fifteen were cast. Police Officer J. Harry Shears presided at the ballot box.

Result of balloting for temporary Moderator was the election of Halbert K. Struthers, without opposition. He took oath given by Town Clerk and directed the reading of the warrant.

Following the reading of Article 3, Selectman Ernest B. Porter motioned to waive the reading of the remainder of the articles in the warrant, which was seconded, and voted without opposition. The remainder of the warrant and constable's return were read.

The ballot box had been unlocked and shown by the temporary Moderator to be empty. Ballot box indicator set at 0000 was locked and keys retained by Police Officer Shears.

A wax-sealed package purporting to contain 1500 printed ballots as received by the Town Clerk from the printer was turned over to the temporary Moderator. He delivered the package to Messrs. Wood and Stank, who with Messrs. Nichols and Bingel had been sworn to perform their duties at the election with Officer Shears on duty at the ballot box.

Cards of instruction and specimen ballots had been posted.

Hourly reading of the ballot box indicator: 8 A. M., 45; 9 A. M., 68; 10 A. M., 113; 11 A. M., 113; 12 noon, 215; 1 P. M., 283; 2 P. M., 345; 3 P. M., 413; 4 P. M., 490; 5 P. M., 580; 6 P. M., 784; 7 P. M., 935 and 8 P. M., 1021.

Temporary Moderator Struthers closed the polls at 8 P.M. Nearly 76 per cent of the town's voting populace cast ballots during the voting hours. Upton's voting list carried 1350

names of registered voters for this election. The 1021 ballots cast is believed the highest ever cast at a local town election. Of the 1021 to vote, 546 were men and 475 women.

Following registered voters canvassed the vote. They reported at 3 P. M. and were duly sworn by the Town Clerk. They were: Raymond F. Lyford, Mrs. Elizabeth Victor, Joseph J. Driscoll, Gerald P. McAuliffe, Leroy W. Prentiss, Mrs. Margaret A. Gurry, Mrs. Helen Poirier, Alfred J. Blanchard, Gerald L. Shaughnessy, Ernest J. Henchey, Mrs. Elinor S. Varney and Mrs. Helen I. Donham.

Edward L. Prentiss and Mrs. Violet M. Picard tabulated the vote after taking their oath. Police Officer Alanson J. Varney relieved Officer Shears at the ballot box at 4 P. M.

Ballots were taken from the ballot box to count in the presence of election officials as follows: 3 P. M., 250; 4.05 P. M., 250; 6 P. M., 250, and 8.05 P. M., 271, total 1021.

Check lists were compared by Messrs. Wood and Stank at check-in table and Messrs. Nichols and Bingel at check-out table (at ballot box) after the polls closed. They reported 1021 voters' names checked on each voting list, corresponding to number of ballots removed from the ballot box, and indicator number on the ballot box. Also, Messrs. Wood and Stank counted the unused ballots and reported there were 479.

Used and unused ballots, with voting lists used in electing a temporary Moderator, and for the general election, were placed in containers, sealed, and removed to the town vault.

Following completion of the tabulation, public declaration of the vote was made by the Town Clerk at 10.55 P. M.

Results, as recorded on tabulation sheet, were:

MODERATOR, (One Year).

	Vote for One
Halbert K. Struthers, Main Street	783
George Messenger	1
Charles E. Aldrich	1
George A. Whittemore	1
Blanks	235
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TOWN TREASURER, (One Year).

	Vote for One
Leo F. Murphy, Piccadilly Street	854
	Candidate for Re-election
Blanks	167
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SELECTMEN, (One Year).

	Vote for Three
Daniel H. Bates, Depot Street Candidate for Re-election	548
Earle B. Brown, Church Street	94
Earl G. Crockett, Main Street	620
Harold S. Hopkins, North Main Street	407
	Candidate for Re-election
Donald R. Keniston, Main Street	172
Ernest B. Porter, Grove Street	518
	Candidate for Re-election
Blanks	704
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	3063

ASSESSOR OF TAXES, (Three Years).

	Vote for One
Stanton T. Baker, West Main Street	291
Raymond E. Griffin, Wildwood Avenue	223

Donald L. Varney, Centennial Court	389
Blanks	118
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	1021

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE, (Three Years).

	Vote for One
Charles F. Caton, Main Street	778
Blanks	243
	—
	1021

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, (Three Years).

	Vote for One
Arthur L. Black, Mendon Street	295
Elsie J. Craib, School Street	631
Blanks	95
	—
	1021

COLLECTOR OF TAXES, (One Year).

	Vote for One
Karl S. Whitten, Grove Street	861
	Candidate for Re-election
Blanks	160
	—
	1021

AUDITOR, (One Year).

	Vote for One
Ashley M. Perkins, Grove Street	820
	Candidate for Re-election
Blanks	201
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CEMETERY COMMISSIONER, (Three Years).

	Vote for One
Norman E. Walker, Brooks Street	799
Candidate for Re-election	
Blanks	222
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CEMETERY COMMISSIONER (Two Years, to Fill Vacancy)

	Vote for One
Elmer F. Butterfield, Main Street	527
Edward Henderson	1
Glenn Goodridge	1
Edward S. Henderson	2
Blanks	490
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CONSTABLES, (One Year).

	Vote for Five
Arthur F. Bartlett, Maple Avenue	387
Daniel H. Bates, Main Street	682
Candidate for Re-election	
Francis E. Carboneau, School Street	170
Eugene A. Clossen, River Street	219
Alvin P. Nichols, Russell Court	498
Edward L. Orff, Main Street	415
Charles H. Southland, Church Street	465
Candidate for Re-election	
Benjamin E. Swift, Milford Street	460
Clifton A. Temple, Brooks Street	600
Candidate for Re-election	
Blanks	1209
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	5105

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY, (Three Years).

	Vote for Three
Charles DeVries, Main Street	736
Newton J. Frost, Williams Street	701
Candidate for Re-election.	
Dana A. Stanley, Grove Street	683
Candidate for Re-election.	
Blanks	943
	<hr/> 3063

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

	Vote for One
Jennie H. Capen	787
Blanks	234
	<hr/> 1021

ROAD COMMISSIONER, (One Year).

	Vote for One
Harry C. Snow, Elm Street	769
Candidate for Re-election	
Blanks	252
	<hr/> 1021

TREE WARDEN, (One Year).

	Vote for One
Edmond Benoit, Elm Street	738
Blanks	283
	<hr/> 1021

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN
MEETING FEBRUARY 7, 1948.

After Moderator Halbert K. Struthers opened the meeting, George A. Whittemore raised a point of order and started to read a statement. Moderator Struthers ruled Mr. Whittemore out of order and requested him to be seated. Mr. Whittemore appealed the Moderator's decision. The Moderator asked the voters if they sustained his ruling. There were voice replies, "yes".

1947 TOWN REPORT.

Article 2. Voted: on motion of Henry C. Walker, seconded by Selectman Daniel H. Bates, to accept the 1947 Town Report as printed.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

Article 3. Voted: on motion of Selectman Daniel H. Bates, duly seconded, that the report of a Special Committee to revise the Town By-Laws be accepted as one of progress.

Town Counsel Henry C. Walker reported that a 19-page set of proposed By-Laws had been drawn up for consideration.

MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

Article 4. Voted: on motion of Merrill S. White, duly seconded, to defer action on this article to an adjourned town meeting, February 14, 1948, at 2 P. M.

On presentation of the article to the voters for consideration, Malcolm C. Temple stated he was herewith resigning from the Memorial High School Building Committee. Mr. Temple said he had been a member of the committee since it was appointed (February 17, 1945) when he received the highest vote in the naming of the committee.

Mrs. Ada W. White moved that the resignation be accepted with a vote of thanks to Mr. Temple for his work on the committee and it was so voted.

Merrill S. White asked if Mr. Temple desired to state his reason for resigning. Mr. Temple stated in substance, that in his opinion the committee's action for the past 18 months had been other than in the best interest of the town. (Mr. Temple was the first chairman of the committee.)

George Burnham moved that the committee be discharged. Daniel F. Bates seconded the motion and then withdrew it, stating he misunderstood the motion. Mr. Burnham's motion was not seconded.

Mrs. White and Samuel B. Young, present chairman of committee, spoke.

Mr. White then moved that action on Article 4 be deferred until Saturday, February 14, 1948 at 2 P. M. and it was so voted.

SALARIES AND COMPENSATION.

Article 5. Town Clerk George G. Newton read in part a letter from Henry F. Long, Commissioner of Corporations and Taxations, under date of December 9, 1947, directing attention to Chapter 540 of Acts of 1947, amending Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, requiring "the town meeting to fix the salary or compensation of elective officers annually." The letter further stated that the salary and compensation of all elective officers of a town "may be made effective from January 1 if the town so voted."

Town Counsel Henry C. Walker when asked his opinion that the salary and compensation for all elective town officers be taken up separately.

Town Clerk Newton moved that the salary of the Moderator be Ten Dollars (\$10.00) for annual town election day and Five Dollars (\$5.00) each for other meetings. It was so voted.

Charles R. Stuart, chairman of a special committee to make a survey of town salaries and compensation, read the recommended salaries. The committee made its report to the voters at a Special Town Meeting, October 14, 1947.

Salaries moved and voted for 1948 (taken up separately) were:

Town Clerk, \$450.00 (increase opposed by the Town Clerk).

Selectmen: Chairman, \$175.00; other two members, \$150.00 each.

Town Treasurer, \$750.00.

Tax Collector, \$750.00.

Board of Assessors: Chairman, \$400.00; clerk, \$325.00; third member, \$300.00.

Board of Public Welfare: Chairman, \$100.00; clerk, \$140.00; third member, \$75.00.

School Committee: Chairman, \$40.00; clerk, \$65.00;

Auditor: \$125.00.

Cemetery Commission: Chairman, \$25.00; treasurer, \$30.00; clerk, \$30.00.

Tree Warden: \$1.00 per hour.

Constables (elected): No salary.

Motion of Alfred H. Nichols to pay \$1.00 per hour "straight time" was declared lost.

Trustees of Public Library: No salary.

Road Commissioner: No salary.

Town Treasurer Leo F. Murphy moved and so voted that the salaries or compensation recommended by the Special Town Salary Revision Committee for appointive officers and employes be accepted for 1948, including truck hire for tree warden at \$1.85 per hour, and all salaries and compensation be effective as of January 1, 1948.

Appointive officials and employes salaries or compensation as recommended by the Special Town Salary Revision Committee:

Clerk to Selectmen, \$150.00.

Town Counsel, \$50.00.

Finance Committee, \$60.00.

Registrars of Voters: Chairman, \$35.00; other members, \$35.00 each; clerk, \$50.00.

Sealer of Weights and Measures: \$80.00.

Animal Inspector: \$85.00.

Milk Inspector: \$50.00.

Board of Health, Clerk: \$50.00.

Fire Department:

Firemen (17) \$65.00 each; Engineer, Chief, \$150.00; Engineer, Members (2) \$100.00 each.

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Article 6. Voted: on motion of Charles R. Stuart, duly seconded, that the Moderator read each of the budget items together with the amount recommended by the Finance Committee and as each item is read any voter who desires to object to the amount recommended shall say "Pass" thereto. After all items have been read, a motion be made incorporating all these items to which no objection has been made. After such vote has been taken, the items to which objection has been made, shall be taken up separately for action.

Departmental appropriations voted to be raised by taxation:

(*) Temporarily deferred action when read.

Ambulance Maintenance	\$250 00
Board of Health:	
General	200 00
Care of Patients	550 00
District Nursing Association	550 00
Town Dump	300 00
Cemeteries:	
General	2,650 00
Grading and oiling	500 00
County Hospital Assessment	4,559 41
Fire Department	1,900 00
Forest Fire	500 00
Gypsy Moth Suppression	200 00
Highways:	
(*) Chapter 81	4,500 00
(**) Chapter 90 Maintenance	450 00
Bridges	200 00
(***) Sidewalks	600 00
Snow Fence	300 00
(****) Snow Removal	10,000 00
Insurance	1,200 00
Library and Carpenter Fund	875 00
Memorial Day	350 00
Notes and Interest	10 00
Old Age Assistance	36,500 00
Old Age Assistance:	
Administration	300 00
Police	1,000 00
Public Welfare, General	5,000 00
Aid to Dependent Children	4,350 00
Printing	1,000 00
Schools	59,488 87

Schools—Industrial	1,000 00
Military Aid, Soldiers' Relief	1,000 00
Street Lights	4,000 00
Town Halls and Repairs	3,500 00
(******) Town Officers and Expenses	6,285 00
Tree Warden	200 00
Parks—Leland Athletic Field	300 00
Reserve Fund	3,000 00
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Total	\$157,568 28

Voted: on motion of Charles R. Stuart to raise and appropriate Departmental sums as read and not "passed."

(*) Highways, Chapter 81. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Harry C. Snow that the sum of \$4,500.00 be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highways, and that, in addition, the sum of \$13,200.00 be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State's share of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

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

(***) Sidewalks. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Harry C. Snow that the sum of \$600.00 be raised and appropriated for Sidewalks Account. Mr. Snow ex-

plained there was special work planned in front of the Upton Postoffice and near the Knowlton School Building. Gordon E. Benson of the Finance Committee explained that \$300.00 recommended by the Committee was the estimate given by Mr. Snow when he appeared before it. Later Mr. Snow conferred with the Selectmen and the request was set at \$600.00.

(*****) Snow Removal. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Harry C. Snow that the sum of \$10,000.00 be raised and appropriated for Snow Removal Account. Mr. Snow stated that when he appeared before the Finance Committee early in January he believed that \$5,000.00 would be sufficient. But because of snow storms thus far in 1948, (January 1 to February 6, 1948) bills total \$7,698.09 for snow removal.

(******) Town Officers and Expenses. Voted: on motion of Selectman Daniel H. Bates that the sum of \$6,285.00 be raised and appropriated for Town Officers and Expenses Account due to increased salaries and compensation.

BORROWING MONEY.

Article 7. Voted: on motion of Town Treasurer Leo F. Murphy, duly seconded, that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1948, and to issue note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws. There was no opposition.

RETURN TO TREASURY.

Article 8. Voted: on motion of Selectman Daniel H. Bates, duly seconded, to transfer to the Town Treasury, the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) appropriated for

highway purposes and meeting the State and County shares of the cost (February 17, 1945).

RETURN TO TREASURY.

Article 9. Voted: on motion of Selectman Daniel H. Bates, duly seconded, to transfer to the Town Treasury the unexpended balance of Three Hundred Fifteen Dollars and Eighty-one Cents (\$315.81) of the West River Street Bridge Account.

PLEASANT STREET BRIDGE.

Article 10. Voted: on motion of Selectman Daniel H. Bates, duly seconded, to raise and appropriate One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for repairs and improvements of the so-called Pleasant Street Bridge, and that, in addition, the sum of Two Thousand (\$2,000.00) be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's share of the cost of the work, or both, the reimbursements from the State or County, or both, to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

1947 UNPAID SNOW REMOVAL BILL.

Article 11. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Harry C. Snow to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-six Dollars and Twenty-three Cents (\$1,736.23) for payment of Snow Removal bills incurred in 1947. There was no dissenting vote.

HIGHWAY EMPLOYES' VACATION FUND.

Article 12. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Harry C. Snow to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) to establish a Highway Employees' Vacation Fund.

FOREST FIRE HOSE.

Article 13. Voted: on motion of Forest Warden Walter J. Stank to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Forty-three Dollars (\$343.00) for the purchase of hose for the Forest Warden's Department.

TOWN HALL SHOWER BATHS.

Article 14. Voted: on motion of Thomas J. Flaherty, duly seconded, to pass over the article for an appropriation of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for installation of shower baths in Town Hall.

Moderator Halbert K. Struthers called for a standing vote with Constables Alvin P. Nichols and Benjamin E. Swift making the count. Result: To pass over article, 70 votes; against passing over, 29 votes.

WILDWOOD AVENUE.

Article 15. Voted: to accept Wildwood Avenue as a public way per description filed at the Town Clerk's office following a public hearing conducted by the Selectmen, January 14, 1948 at 8.15 P. M. at Town Hall building.

Description as follows: "The easterly location line at a point in the southwesterly line of State Highway Route 140 bearing South 48 degrees 13 minutes 25 seconds East and 41.18 feet distant from the northwesterly corner of land now or formerly of Raymond E. and Elsa V. Griffin and extends thence South 28 degrees 02 minutes 00 seconds West 293.47 feet; thence by a curve to the left of 146.48 feet radius 126.78 feet; thence South 21 degrees, 33 minutes 32 seconds East 205.93 feet; thence South 36 degrees, 58 minutes 25 seconds East 186.75 feet; thence South 16 degrees 31 minutes 24 seconds East 109.84 feet to a point at the end of the easterly location line.

"The westerly location line begins at a point in the southwesterly line of State Highway Route 140 at the northwesterly corner of said Griffin land and extends thence South 28 degrees 02 minutes 00 seconds West 346.55 feet; thence by a curve to the left of 149.62 feet radius 129.50 feet; thence South 21 degrees 33 minutes 32 seconds East 200.15 feet; thence North 73 degrees 56 minutes 30 seconds East 20.00 feet; thence South 16 degrees 03 minutes 30 seconds East 57 feet; thence South 34 degrees 10 minutes 04 seconds East 50.34 feet; thence South 48 degrees 20 minutes 52 seconds East 96.21 feet; thence South 16 degrees 31 minutes 24 seconds East 85.70 feet to a point at the end of the westerly location line bearing North 88 degrees 52 minutes 20 seconds West and 41.98 feet distant from the end of the easterly location line as afore-described.

"For the purpose of this layout, which is entirely over land of said Raymond E. and Elsa V. Griffin, an easement is taken in a parcel of land containing about 45,900 square feet."

It was stated that the layout was made by an engineer named Mr. St. George.

Blueprint of layout filed at Town Clerk's office, January 14, 1948.

MENDON ROAD, CHAPTER 90 WORK.

Article 16. Motion by Road Commissioner Harry C. Snow that the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) be raised and appropriated to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Construction on Mendon Street, and that, in addition, the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet the State and County's shares of the cost of the work, the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon their receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury, was defeated by a voice vote.

Before the vote was taken, Joseph W. Gorman inquired if the wording of the motion could be changed to "Riverdale Road" which is used by school buses.

Mr. Snow replied that he did not believe that allotments would be made to start work on the Riverdale Road, also known as Northbridge Road, before Mendon Street Chapter 90 project was completed.

1947 DOG TAX REFUND.

Article 17. Voted: that proceeds of the 1947 Dog Tax Refund, the sum of Six Hundred Eighty-five Dollars and Sixty Cents (\$685.60) be appropriated to the School Account.

FIRE DEPARTMENT HOSE.

Article 18. Voted: to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) for the purchase of hose for the Fire Department.

FIRE DEPARTMENT EQUIPMENT.

Article 19. Voted: that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) be raised and appropriated for the purchase of coats, helmets, other equipment and special repairs for the Fire Department.

RETIREMENT PENSION AND EXPENSE FUNDS.

Article 20. Voted: on motion of Town Treasurer Leo F. Murphy to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty-four Dollars and Sixty-five Cents (\$254.65) in accordance with provisions of Chapter 32, Section 22, General Laws, for Pension Fund and Expense Fund of the Worcester County Retirement System for 1948.

GLEN AVENUE STREET LIGHTS.

Article 21. Voted: on motion of Selectman Ernest B. Porter to pass over the article.

MENDON STREET BRIDGE.

Article 22. Voted: that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Twenty-five Dollars (\$625.00) additional for a new bridge and its approaches on Mendon Street.

MACHINERY ACCOUNT.

Article 23. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Harry C. Snow to transfer the sum of Five Dollars and Sixty Cents (\$5.60) from the Machinery Fund to the Machinery Account.

CARE OF WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL MARKERS.

Article 24. Voted: on motion of Town Treasurer Leo F. Murphy to authorize the Town Treasurer to withdraw from the Worcester Five Cents Savings Bank, account known as the Upton Memorial Fund established many years ago by the late Velorus Taft, the sum being Two Hundred Sixteen Dollars and Twenty-eight Cents (\$216.28), plus any accumulated interest, the money to be used at the discretion of the Selectmen for the purpose of general maintenance, upkeep, and improvements of the plots upon which are located granite memorial markers to Upton men who made the Supreme Sacrifice in World War II.

ESTABLISHING 1948 TAX RATE.

Article 25. Voted: on motion of Selectman Daniel H. Bates to instruct the Assessors of Taxes to use Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) from unappropriated available funds in the treasury in establishing the 1948 Tax Rate.

Town Treasurer Leo F. Murphy moved that all appropriations voted during the session, unless otherwise stipulated in their respective motion, be raised by taxation. It was so voted.

Adjournment was voted at 4.20 P. M. until Saturday, February 14, 1948.

During the meeting a total sum of \$162,527.16 was appropriated to be raised by taxation. A sum of \$10,000.00 was appropriated from unappropriated available funds to be used in establishing the 1948 Tax Rate. In addition, \$16,100.00 was voted to be transferred from unappropriated available funds in the treasury to meet State and County shares of certain highway and bridge work (Pleasant Street), the reimbursements from the State and County to be restored, upon receipt, to unappropriated available funds in the treasury.

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF ADJOURNED TOWN MEETING
FEBRUARY 14, 1948.

Moderator Halbert K. Struthers on opening the meeting stated that Article 4 had been deferred for action until today. (Other articles had been acted upon February 2 and February 7.)

With between 50 and 60 voters present when the meeting was called to order, Harrison E. Bates moved adjournment to a date to be set by the Selectmen and Memorial High School Building Committee. Eugene Whiting seconded the motion. Subsequently they withdrew the motion and seconding as more voters came into the hall.

Samuel B. Young, chairman of the Memorial High School Building Committee, asked Gordon E. Benson, Committee clerk, to make a report of information he had received.

Mr. Benson read a letter he had received from Congressman Philip J. Philbin under date of February 12, 1948. It stated in part:

"At the present time, there is no Federal program to provide for school assistance in the way of construction funds or other grants. In fact, an advance planning program under the sponsorship of the Federal Works Agency lapsed last June and while there is pending legislation to continue the program, the matter is still in committee for study. This advance planning program provided funds to various communities for the drawing up of plans and preliminary engineering surveys for municipal public works projects.

"There are several bills, pending in both the House and Senate, to provide for Federal assistance for school construction and other educational purposes. Not much progress has been made in the House, while the Senate has already held hearings on Senator Aiken's and other related bills.

"Frankly, the outlook for Federal assistance in the immediate future does not appear too promising. Similar legislation has died in previous Congresses. In addition, such legislation will have to hurdle the current program to reduce Federal expenditures, a rather difficult achievement.

"While the situation may change prior to adjournment, this is the way the matter rests at the moment."

During his remarks, Mr. Benson said that in August 1946, a Cambridge contracting firm from sketches and specifications had estimated the cost of the proposed Upton school building at .77 cents per cubic foot. For class rooms section, the estimated cost would be \$353,400. A Holyoke contracting firm in August 1946 had given an estimated cost of \$280,000.

Further, Mr. Benson said that information received February 13, 1948 (day before adjourned meeting) from Mr. Upham via telephone was in substance: "The cube of the proposed Upton Memorial High School Building is 490,785 feet. Mr. Upham further advised that on present day prices the Medfield High School building would cost 64 cents per cubic foot without the auditorium. This means that at 64 cents per cubic foot figure, the proposed Upton Memorial High School building would cost \$314,102.40."

Mrs. Ada W. White, retiring chairman of the School Committee, stated that the two present school buildings (George S. Ball and Knowlton schoolhouses) were overcrowded; that the three buses now transporting school children to Northbridge Junior High School will be insufficient to accommodate pupils expected to attend the school from Upton next fall, and referred to sewage conditions at the Ball building and heating system at the Knowlton building.

Eugene Whiting motioned that Malcolm C. Temple, (former chairman of the special Building Committee and who resigned as a committee member, February 7, 1948), give a complete report of the Committee's work since it was organized. It was so voted.

Mr. Temple spoke on the proposed Memorial High School Building at length. In substance, he referred to the offer of the White lot to the town for the proposed school building; stated that in his opinion it was superior to the old High School lot site and referred to sewage, drainage and grading. He said that one contractor's estimate gave a \$15,000.00 saving on foundation work if the building was erected on the White lot, and that the town's vote to place the building on the old site had handicapped the Committee. He related how he and certain other members of the special Committee went to Boston relative to a bill filed in the legislature to authorize the town to borrow money outside the town's debt limit for the

erection of the proposed building. He reviewed how plans had to be changed by the architect when the town voted to erect on the old High School lot as the first plans were based on the White lot.

Mr. Temple added that he would present a check of \$1,000.00 toward the proposed new school building on the day that work was started if it were erected on any other site than the old High School building.

Samuel B. Young, chairman of the special Building Committee, stated that Mr. Temple's remarks had been very fairly presented. He added, that the Committee had been working on plans for the old site because of the action of the voters when they selected the old site in preference to the White lot for the building. In reply to a query, Mr. Young said he expected that working plans for the proposed building would be completed in about three months but that this was not definite.

Donald B. Johnson, member of the School Committee and Building Committee, said indications are that the grade schools will be overcrowded next fall; the need of a good grammar school building; that the Junior and High School pupils are being well taken care of at out of town schools under the present arrangements. He added he would favor consolidation of a High School with Grafton.

Dr. Bernard F. McKernan, school physician and member of the Building Committee, said at first he had favored a new High School Building. He said he now favored consolidation of grade classes into one building as the first step to improve Upton's school system.

Eugene Whiting motioned that the town reconsider the vote it had taken for location of the proposed Memorial High School Building. Moderator Struthers replied that he would

want advice of the Town Counsel before placing the motion before the voters.

Among other voters speaking during the three-hour session were Selectman Daniel H. Bates, Walter H. Allen, Selectman Earl G. Crockett, Rev. Charles DeVries, Joseph W. Gorman, Charles R. Stuart, Frank Fowler, School Committeeman George Nydam, Selectman Ernest B. Porter and Merrill S. White.

Motion by Selectman Daniel H. Bates, duly seconded, to discharge the present Memorial High School Building Committee was defeated by a voice vote.

Voted, on motion of Merrill S. White, duly seconded, to accept report of the Building Committee given during the meeting.

Selectman Daniel H. Bates moved that the Board of Selectmen be instructed by this meeting to issue a warrant for a Special Town Meeting containing an article to vote by ballot on question, "Shall We Reconsider the Vote Previously Recorded as to Site for the Upton Memorial High School Building?" Moderator Struthers stated he would first want a ruling of the Town Counsel if this motion was in order. Merrill S. White stated that the Selectmen could call a meeting for this purpose without such a directive of the voters.

Norman E. Walker motioned to adjourn the meeting and it was so voted.

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON,

Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING,
APRIL 3, 1948.

Worcester, ss.

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

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Upton, qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Saturday, the Third day of April, punctually, at Two o'clock P. M., then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint one of its members as Chief of Police or Acting Chief of Police, and to establish a salary to be taken from the Police Appropriation for such appointee in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 41, Section 4A, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) to the Snow Removal Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ninety-three Dollars (\$193.00) for expenses of the Assessors of Taxes, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,300.00) for purchase of a Pick-Up Truck for the exclusive use of the Superintendent of Streets, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will choose by ballot a member of the Upton Memorial High School Building Committee to fill an existing vacancy, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$375.00) additional to the so-called Pleasant Street Bridge Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

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

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

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

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

Upton, Mass., March 26, 1948.

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 the Third Day of April, current year, for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the Warrant in each of the Post-offices and on the Town House seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

DANIEL H. BATES,
Constable of Upton.

PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING
APRIL 3, 1948.

Worcester, SS

Meeting was called to order by Moderator Halbert K. Struthers. Warrant with Constable's return was read.

AUTHORITY TO APPOINT ACTING POLICE CHIEF
AND ESTABLISH SALARY.

Article 1. Voted: on motion of Selectman Daniel H. Bates, seconded by Chairman of Selectmen Earl G. Crockett, that the Selectmen be authorized to appoint one of its members as Acting Chief of Police and that his salary be set at \$25.00 per month, retroactive from February 7, 1948 until his successor is appointed, said salary to be taken from the Police Appropriation.

SNOW REMOVAL.

Article 2. Voted: on motion of Selectman Daniel H. Bates, seconded by Chairman of Selectmen Earl G. Crockett, to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) to the Snow Removal Account. Appropriation recommended by Finance Committee.

ASSESSORS OF TAXES EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

Article 3. Voted: on motion of Assessor of Taxes Donald L. Varney, duly seconded, to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ninety-three Dollars (\$193.00) for expenses of Assessors of Taxes. Appropriation recommended by Finance Committee.

PICK-UP TRUCK.

Article 4: Voted: on motion of Kenneth W. Wood, duly seconded, to pass over the article asking for raising and appropriating Thirteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,300.00) for pur-

chase of a Pick-Up Truck for exclusive use of the Superintendent of Streets. Standing vote: To pass over, 20; not to pass over, 9 voted. Police Officers A. Frederick Bartlett and Eugene A. Closson made the count at the direction of the Moderator.

Before standing vote was taken, Chairman of Selectmen Earl G. Crockett stated he desired to be recorded in favor of passing over the article.

**VACANCY FILLED ON
MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE.**

Article 5. Mrs. Helene D. Robinson of North Main Street was elected by ballot vote to fill a vacancy on the Upton Memorial High School Building Committee caused by recent resignation of Malcolm C. Temple. (Mr. Temple was one of three elected by ballot in town meeting, February 17, 1945).

Mrs. Robinson received 22 votes. Walter H. Allen received 15 votes.

Check list and counting of ballots were in charge of Joseph W. Gorman, Harrison E. Bates, Raymond Whiting and Laurie Thompson, who were appointed by the Moderator. Number of names checked on voting list (37) compared with number of ballots cast.

When article was presented to voters for consideration, Chairman of Selectmen Earl G. Crockett motioned that the vacancy on the Memorial High School Building Committee be filled by ballot as set forth in the warrant. Motion was seconded.

Nominated as candidates to fill the vacancy were: Walter H. Allen, Frank Ryerson (whose name was withdrawn when it was stated he preferred not to serve) and Joseph W. Gorman, who declined.

Motion to close nominations was declared lost on a voice vote by the Moderator. Declaration was doubted by required number of voters and standing vote was called for by the Moderator. Result: To close nominations, 11; not to close nominations, 17. Police Officers Bartlett and Closson made the count.

Additional nominations made were names of Harold S. Hopkins, declined; Ward A. Robinson (withdrawn by his wife, Helene D. Robinson); Charles Pearson, declined; Charles R. Stuart, declined; Mrs. Helene D. Robinson, and Laurie Thompson, declined.

Selectman Daniel H. Bates moved to close nominations and it was so voted.

Ballots were distributed by police officers to voters desiring them. Moderator Struthers stated there were two candidates to fill the vacancy: Walter H. Allen of West River Street and Helene D. Robinson of North Main Street. Ballot-ing and counting followed.

RETURN TO ARTICLE 4.

At this point in the meeting, Chairman of Selectmen Earl G. Crockett stated he had been recorded to pass over Article 4 at the time it was acted upon and now motioned to take the Article from the table for further consideration. He stated it was an unanimous vote of the Selectmen to have this Article inserted in the Warrant. Motion to take Article from the table was declared defeated on a voice vote by the Moderator.

PLEASANT STREET BRIDGE.

Article 6. Voted: on motion of Selectman Ernest B. Porter, duly seconded, to raise and appropriate the sum of

Three Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$375.00) additional to the Pleasant Street Bridge Account.

At 3.15 P. M. on motion of Selectman Porter, voted to dissolve the Warrant and adjourn.

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON,
Town Clerk.

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY
APRIL 27, 1948.

Copy of Warrant and results of balloting on file at Town Clerk's Office.

Seventy-seven ballots were cast: 63 Republicans and 14 Democratic during period the polls were open, 4.00 P. M. to 8.00 P. M.

GEORGE G. NEWTON,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING,
JUNE 21, 1948.

Worcester, SS.

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

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Upton, qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Monday the Twenty-first

day of June, punctually, at eight o'clock P. M. to act on the following article:

Article 1. To see if the Town will provide for the organization of a Housing Authority in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 121 as amended, or take any action 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 Twelfth day of June in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

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

Selectmen of Upton.

Upton, Mass., June 14, 1948.

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, Monday, the Twenty-first day of June, current year, for the purpose within mentioned by posting attested copies of the within warrant in each of the Post-offices and on the Town House at least seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

DANIEL H. BATES,
Constable of Upton.

PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING,
JUNE 21, 1948.

With over 30 voters present, augmented as the meeting proceeded, Moderator Halbert K. Struthers called the meeting to order at the designated hour. The one-article warrant was read.

Selectman Ernest B. Porter requested that Chairman of Selectmen Earl G. Crockett, also a member of the State Legislature, be permitted to explain the Housing Authority Law before any further action was taken at the meeting. There was no opposition.

Selectman Crockett explained in general the bill passed by the Legislature to aid veterans in the housing problem and read a communication received by the Selectmen from the State Board of Housing Authority.

Walter H. Allen stated that he would like to see a housing project located in the West River Street section of the town and offered a tract of land.

Robert M. Stuart moved that the Town vote to establish a Housing Authority in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 121 as amended. Motion was seconded, and it was so voted without discussion.

Selectman Crockett moved to dissolve the warrant and it was so voted.

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON,
Town Clerk.

PROCEEDINGS OF STATE PRIMARY
SEPTEMBER 14, 1948.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, the meeting was called to order at 12 Noon and the Warrant read by the Town Clerk.

The following-named persons having been appointed as Primary Officers were duly sworn to faithful performance of their duties:

Miss Grace M. Murphy (D) and Raymond F. Lyford (R) checked the voting list and gave out ballots. Gerald L. Shaughnessy (D) and Kenneth W. Wood (R) checked the voting list at the ballot box. Police Officer J. Harry Shears was in charge of the ballot box and held keys to the same from noon to 5 P. M. when he was succeeded by Constable Alvin P. Nichols until after the polls closed and ballots, used and unused, were placed in separate containers and deposited in the vault. The indicator on the ballot box read 0000 when the polls opened at noon.

The first voter was Earle B. Brown. Miss Grace M. Murphy was the first woman voter.

Hourly readings of the ballot box indicator of number of ballots cast were: 1 P. M., 26 ballots; 2 P. M., 51; 3 P. M., 85; 4 P. M., 118; 5 P. M., 162; 6 P. M., 220; 7 P. M., 325 and 8 P. M., 477.

At the close of the polls at 8 P. M., of the 477 ballots cast, 448 were Republican and 29 Democratic. Of the 448 Republicans voting, 251 were men and 197 women. Of the 29 Democratic voting, 19 were men and 10 women.

At 6 P. M. Donald L. Varney (R), Peter Bingel (D), Ernest L. Aldrich (R), Alfred J. Blanchard (D), Samuel B.

Young (R), Edward J. Gurry (D), Ernest J. Henchey (R) and Gerald P. McAuliffe (D) were sworn as tellers to canvass the vote. Edward L. Prentiss (R) and Mrs. Violet M. Pickard (D) were sworn as tabulators.

Public declaration of the Democratic vote was made at 9.45 P. M. and the Republican vote at 10.10 P. M. by the Town Clerk.

DEMOCRATIC.

GOVERNOR.

Vote for One

Paul A. Dever of Cambridge	21
Maurice J. Tobin of Boston	6
Blanks	2
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LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

Vote for One.

Edward P. Barry of Wellesley	1
Benedict F. Fitzgerald, Jr. of Cambridge	6
Charles F. Jeff Sullivan of Worcester	21
Blanks	1
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	29

SECRETARY.

Vote for One.

Edward J. Cronin of Chelsea	15
Jerome Patrick Troy of Boston	8
Blanks	6
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TREASURER.

Vote for One.

John E. Hurley of Boston	25
Blanks	4
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AUDITOR.

Vote for One.

Thomas J. Buckley of Boston	24
Blanks	5
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ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Vote for One.

Enrico Cappucci of Boston	1
John F. Kelley of Cambridge	6
Francis E. Kelley of Boston	9
Patrick Gilbert Sullivan of Boston	10
Blanks	3
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SENATOR IN CONGRESS.

Vote for One

John I. Fitzgerald of Boston	11
Francis D. Harrigan of Boston	4
Joseph A. Langone, Jr. of Boston	0
John D. Lynch of Cambridge	5
Richard M. Russell of Boston	6
Blanks	3
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CONGRESSMAN, (THIRD DISTRICT).

Vote for One.

Philip J. Philbin of Clinton	22
Blanks	7
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COUNCILLOR, (SEVENTH DISTRICT).

Vote for One.

John J. O'Brien of Worcester	14
Timothy F. Shea of Worcester	10
Blanks	5
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SENATOR—Fourth Worcester District.

Vote for One.

James P. Bird of Milford	12
Joseph F. Gibney of Webster	12
Blanks	5
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REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT—

(NINTH WORCESTER DISTRICT).

Vote for Two.

Maurice E. Fitzgerald of Milford	22
Louis F. Covino of Milford	5
John J. Crowley of Milford	16
Blanks	15
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REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY.

	Vote for One
F. Joseph Donohue of Worcester	24
Blanks	5
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COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, (WORCESTER COUNTY).

	Vote for Two
Francis E. Cassidy of Webster	14
P. Eugene Casey of Milford	24
Charles M. Kelley of Athol	1
William H. Ryder of Clinton	4
Blanks	15
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COUNTY TREASURER, (WORCESTER COUNTY).

	Vote for One
John E. Brosnihan of Worcester	4
Robert F. Fitzgerald of Worcester	12
Alexander G. Lajoie of Worcester	3
Gerald C. O'Toole of Worcester	6
Blanks	4
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REPUBLICAN.

GOVERNOR.

	Vote for One
Robert F. Bradford of Cambridge	304
Edward M. Rowe of Cambridge	84
Blanks	60
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LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

	Vote for One
Arthur W. Coolidge of Reading	355
Blanks	93
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SECRETARY.

	Vote for One
Frederic W. Cook of Somerville	350
Blanks	98
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TREASURER.

	Vote for One
Laurence Curtis of Boston	341
Blanks	107
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AUDITOR.

	Vote for One
Douglas Lawson of Boston	57
Edwin L. Olander, Jr. of Northampton	107
Wallace E. Stearns of Boston	14
Russell A. Wood of Cambridge	153
Blanks	117
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ATTORNEY GENERAL.

	Vote for One
Clarence A. Barnes of Mansfield	340
Blanks	108
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SENATOR IN CONGRESS.

	Vote for One
Leverett Saltonstall of Dover	362
Blanks	86
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CONGRESSMAN, (THIRD DISTRICT).

	Vote for One
Carroll H. Balcom of Clinton	312
Blanks	136
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COUNCILLOR, (SEVENTH DISTRICT).

	Vote for One
Warren G. Harris of Millbury	266
Henry J. Oletz of Worcester	21
Paul B. Sharon of Worcester	44
Blanks	117
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SENATOR, (FOURTH WORCESTER DISTRICT).

	Vote for One
Joseph S. Virostek of Douglas	130
Earl G. Crockett of Upton	310
Blanks	8
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REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT,
(NINTH WORCESTER DISTRICT).

	Vote for Two
George E. Dean of Shrewsbury	94
William P. DiVitto of Milford	148

Robert W. Holbrook of Milford	219
Edward P. Usher of Grafton	213
Blanks	222
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	896

REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY.

(WORCESTER COUNTY).

	Vote for One
George E. Rice of Spencer	311
Blanks	137
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	448

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, (WORCESTER COUNTY).

	Vote for Two
Elbert M. Crockett of Milford	344
Leslie M. Willard of Fitchburg	254
Blanks	298
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	896

COUNTY TREASURER, (WORCESTER COUNTY).

	Vote for One
John W. Fellows of Boylston	323
Blanks	125
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	448

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON,
Town Clerk.

WARRANT FOR STATE ELECTION

NOVEMBER 2, 1948.

Worcester, ss.

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

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you
are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Upton,
qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs, to meet at
the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Tuesday the Second day of
November, punctually, at Seven o'clock A. M. at which time the
polls will be open for said voters to give in their votes to the
Selectmen of the Town of Upton, for:

Presidential Electors: Governor; Lieutenant-Governor;
Secretary; Treasurer; Auditor; Attorney General; Senator in
Congress; Representatives in Congress; Councillor; Senator;
Representatives in General Court (2); Register of Probate
and Insolvency; County Commissioners (2); County Treasurer.

Also, upon said ballots the voters shall give in their votes,
"Yes" or "No" on the following questions:

QUESTION NO. 1

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution summarized below which was approved by the General Court in a joint session of the two branches held June 28, 1945, received 227 votes in the affirmative and 0 in the negative, and in a joint session of the two branches held June 9, 1947, received 232 votes in the affirmative and 8 in the negative?

YES	
NO	

SUMMARY

This proposed amendment to the Constitution adds to the declaration of the rights of the inhabitants, as now set forth in the Constitution, the following: "The right of free speech shall not be abridged."

QUESTION NO. 2

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution summarized below which was approved by the General Court in a joint session of the two branches held June 6, 1946, received 220 votes in the affirmative and 28 in the negative, and in a joint session of the two branches held June 9, 1947, received 228 votes in the affirmative and 5 in the negative?

YES	
NO	

SUMMARY

This proposed amendment to the Constitution provides that the use of revenue from fees, duties, excises or license taxes relating to the registration, operation or use of vehicles on public highways or to fuels used for propelling such vehicles, except revenue from any excise tax imposed for the privilege of registering such vehicles in lieu of local property taxes, shall be for highway purposes only.

QUESTION NO. 3

Do you approve of the adoption of an amendment to the constitution summarized below which was approved by the General Court in a joint session of the two branches held June 6, 1946, received 243 votes in the affirmative and 0 in the negative, and in a joint session of the two branches held June 3, 1948, received 231 votes in the affirmative and 9 in the negative?

YES	
NO	

SUMMARY

This is an amendment of Article XVII of the Amendments to the Constitution. It provides that in case of a failure to elect the secretary, treasurer and receiver general, auditor or attorney general of the Commonwealth, or in case of the death of a person elected to any of such offices between the day of election and the third Wednesday of the following January, such an officer shall be chosen by a joint ballot of the senators and representatives from the people at large, instead of from the two persons who had the highest number of votes at the election as is now required. It also provides that if there is a vacancy in any of such offices during a session of the Legislature the vacancy shall be filled in like manner by choice from the people at large, but if the vacancy occurs at any other time it shall be filled by appointment by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Council.

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QUESTION NO. 4

Do you approve of a law summarized below which was disapproved in the House of Representatives by a vote of 84 in the affirmative and 130 in the negative and in the Senate by a vote of 15 in the affirmative and 22 in the negative?

YES	
NO	

SUMMARY

This measure by amending General Laws (Ter. Ed.), Chapter 272, Section 21 provides that the provisions of Sections 20 and 21 of said Chapter 272 which make it an offense to advertise or give information as to the procurement of means for the prevention of pregnancy or conception shall not apply to treatment or prescription given to married women by registered physicians for protection of life or health.

QUESTION NO. 5

Do you approve of a law summarized below which was disapproved in the House of Representatives by a vote of 5 in the affirmative and 203 in the negative and in the Senate by a vote of 0 in the affirmative and 36 in the negative?

YES	
NO	

SUMMARY

This measure prohibits the denial of the opportunity to obtain or retain employment because of membership or non-membership in a labor organization and prohibits agreements which exclude any person from employment because of membership or non-membership in a labor organization. Violation of the provisions of the measure is made an offense punishable by fine or imprisonment or both.

QUESTION NO. 6

Do you approve of a law summarized below which was disapproved in the House of Representatives by a vote of 82 in the affirmative and 126 in the negative and in the Senate by a vote of 13 in the affirmative and 20 in the negative?

YES	
NO	

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SUMMARY

This measure requires that elections of officers of labor organizations shall be held at least annually. Sixty days' notice of a regular election and twenty days' notice of an election to fill one or more vacancies are required to be given by public announcement at a regular meeting, by notice in writing to each member, or in any other adequate manner. Candidates to be voted for must be nominated by a paper signed by ten members filed at least thirty days before a regular election and at least ten days before an election to fill a vacancy.

The voting at such an election must be by secret written or printed ballot. Watchers appointed by nominating members and by union officers may be present during the voting and counting of ballots.

Coercion and intimidation of members in connection with an election is prohibited, and violations of the provisions of the measure are made punishable by fine of not less than twenty-five dollars nor more than two hundred dollars or by imprisonment for not more than thirty days or both.

QUESTION NO. 7

Do you approve of a law summarized below which was disapproved in the House of Representatives by a vote of 95 in the affirmative and 110 in the negative and in the Senate by a vote of 14 in the affirmative and 18 in the negative?

YES	
NO	

SUMMARY

This measure prohibits the calling of a strike by a labor organization in any business or plant or unit thereof, except when authorized by the vote of the majority of all the members of the organization employed in the business, plant or unit thereof. Such authorization is to be expressed by a secret written or printed ballot at a meeting called for that purpose.

The Labor Relations Commission is authorized to make rules for the conduct of the voting. Within twenty-four hours after the voting the labor organization conducting it shall make a written report of the result to the commission, which shall be a permanent public record. If no report is filed the vote taken shall be void and a person making a false report shall be guilty of perjury.

Coercion and intimidation of members of a labor organization in connection with such voting is made a penal offense.

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QUESTION NO. 8

Is it desirable that the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States,—

"ARTICLE—

"SECTION 1. No person shall be elected to the office of the President more than twice, and no person who has held the office of President, or acted as President, for more than two years of a term to which some other person was elected President shall be elected to the office of the President more than once. But this Article shall not apply to any person holding the office of President when this Article was proposed by the Congress, and shall not prevent any person who may be holding the office of President, or acting as President, during the term within which this Article becomes operative from holding the office of President or acting as President during the remainder of such term.

"SECTION 2. This article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the Constitution by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States within seven years from the date of its submission to the States by the Congress,"—be ratified by the general court?

YES	
NO	

QUESTION NO. 9

A. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whisky, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)?

YES	
NO	

B. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)?

YES	
NO	

C. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?

YES	
NO	

All of the above to be voted upon one ballot.
The Polls shall close at Seven o'clock P. M.

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-first day of October in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and forty-eight.

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

DANIEL H. BATES,
Constable of Upton.

Upton, Mass., October 22, 1948.

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

DANIEL H. BATES,
Constable of Upton.

PROCEEDINGS OF STATE ELECTION
NOVEMBER 2, 1948.

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, Chairman of Selectmen Earl G. Crockett called the meeting to order at Seven o'clock A. M. on the Second Day of November, 1948, at Town Hall.

The Town Clerk read the Warrant calling for the election of certain National, State and County officials and action on various questions on the ballot. After reading the call for the Election and offices for which ballots were to be received, a motion was made to waive the reading of the several questions and voted without opposition. The remainder of the Warrant and Constable's return were read. The polls were then declared open.

Raymond F. Lyford (R), Walter J. Stank (D), Kenneth W. Wood (R) and Miss Grace M. Murphy (D), ballot clerks and checkers, who had taken their oath, began their duties. A sealed box purporting to contain 1532 ballots had been received by the Town Clerk from the Secretary of the Commonwealth. The box was delivered to Messrs. Lyford and Stank.

Police Officer J. Harry Shears was in charge of the ballot box and keys to same. The indicator on the ballot box was 0000 before voting began. Interior of the ballot box was shown to be empty to voters present.

Pierre V. Benoit was the first male voter to cast a ballot. Mrs. Bessie F. Atwood was the first woman voter.

Ernest J. Henchey (R), Peter Bingel (D), Armand Labine (R) and Gerald L. Shaughnessy (D) reported at 9 A. M. and took oath as tellers.

At 1 P. M. tellers reporting were: Alfred R. Nichols (R), Clement J. Lambert (R), Samuel B. Young (R), Francis

E. Aldrich (R), Mrs. Helen I. Donham (R), Mrs. Eleanor S. Varney (R), Alfred J. Blanchard (D), Gerald P. McAuliffe (D), John H. Allen (D), Douglas J. Gilchrist (D), Mrs. Yvonne M. Bissonette (D), and Mrs. Elizabeth Victor (D). They began their duties after taking oath.

Edward L. Prentiss (R) and Mrs. Violet M. Picard (D) tabulated the vote cast.

By direction of the Warrant, the polls were closed at 7 P. M. Voters waiting in line within the hall to vote at this hour were issued slips bearing seal of the Town of Upton and Police Officer Arthur Frederick Bartlett was placed at end of the line. Total vote cast was 1189 after all voters had cast their ballot who were in line at closing hour.

Envelopes containing 40 Absent Voters' Ballots that had been received by the Town Clerk were inspected by Miss Murphy (D), Mr. Stank (D), Mr. Lyford (R) and Mr. Wood (R). They were opened and ballot cast by the Town Clerk. The ballot box indicator read 1229 at completion of all balloting.

Acting Police Chief Daniel H. Bates had relieved Police Officer Shears at the ballot box at 4 P. M.

Hourly reading of ballot box: 8 A. M., 69 ballots; 9 A. M., 123; 10 A. M., 185; 11 A. M., 265; 12 Noon, 335; 1 P. M., 415; 2 P. M., 482; 3 P. M., 561; 4 P. M., 607; 5 P. M., 714; 6 P. M., 933; 7 P. M., 1123 and 1189 when all in line at 7 P. M. had voted. Forty Absent voters' ballots brought total to 1229.

Ballots were removed from ballot box to canvass: 9 A. M. 100 ballots; 10.30 A. M., 100; 11.40 A. M., 100; 1.10 P. M., 100; 2.10 P. M., 100; 3.50 P. M., 100; 4.40 P. M., 50; 5.10 P. M., 50; 6.15 P. M., 150; 7.15 P. M., 150; 7.30 P. M., 189,

total 1189. After 40 Absent Voters' ballots were cast they were removed, total 1229.

Check lists at ballot table and ballot box were compared by those in charge and agreed. They announced that during the voting hours, 633 men and 596 women had cast ballots; total 1229.

Results of balloting were announced at 10.45 P. M.

Ballots, check lists, and unused ballots were sealed and placed in vault in Town Hall building.

ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT.

	Vote for One
Dewey and Warren, Republican	732
Teichert and Emery, Socialist Labor	1
Truman and Barkley, Democratic	461
Wallace and Taylor, Progressive	8
Watson and Learn, Prohibition	1
Thomas and Smith	1
Blanks	25
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	1229

GOVERNOR.

	Vote for One
Robert F. Bradford of Cambridge, Republican	684
Paul A. Dever of Cambridge, Democratic	514
Horace I. Hillis of Saugus, Socialist Labor	0
Mark R. Shaw of Melrose, Prohibition	1
Blanks	30
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	1229

LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

	Vote for One
Arthur W. Coolidge of Reading, Republican	680
Charles F. Jeff Sullivan of Worcester, Democratic	489
Lawrence Gilfedder of Boston, Socialist	2
Guy S. Williams of Worcester, Prohibition	6
Blanks	52
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	1229

SECRETARY.

	Vote for One
Frederick W. Cook of Somerville, Republican	783
Edward J. Cronin of Chelsea, Democratic	364
Gote E. Palmquist of Boston, Socialist Labor	2
Blanks	80
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	1229

TREASURER.

	Vote for One
Laurence Curtis of Boston, Republican	716
John E. Hurley of Boston, Democratic	440
Harold J. Ireland of Worcester, Prohibition	2
Malcolm T. Rowe of Lynn, Socialist Labor	3
Blanks	68
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	1229

AUDITOR.

	Vote for One
Thomas J. Buckley of Boston, Democratic	501
Russell A. Wood of Cambridge, Republican	640
Robert A. Simmons of Boston, Prohibition	0
Francis A. Votano of Lynn, Socialist Labor	1
Blanks	87
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	1229

ATTORNEY GENERAL.

	Vote for One
Clarence A. Barnes of Mansfield, Republican	744
Francis E. Kelly of Boston, Democratic	409
Anthony Martin of Boston, Socialist Labor	1
Blanks	75
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	1229

SENATOR IN CONGRESS.

	Vote for One
Leverett Saltonstall of Dover, Republican	806
John I. Fitzgerald of Boston, Democratic	362
Henning A. Blomen of Boston, Socialist Labor	1
E. Tallmadge Root of Somerville, Prohibition	1
Blanks	59
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	1229

CONGRESSMAN, (Third District).

	Vote for One
Philip J. Philbin of Clinton, Democratic	604
Carroll H. Baleom of Clinton, Republican	551
Blanks	74
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	1229

COUNCILLOR, (Seventh District).

	Vote for One
Warren G. Harris of Millbury, Republican	735
John J. O'Brien of Worcester, Democratic	397
Blanks	97
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	1229

SENATOR, (Fourth Worcester District).

	Vote for One
Joseph S. Virostek of Douglas, Republican	742
Joseph F. Gibney of Webster, Democratic	397
Blanks	90
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	1229

REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT,
(Ninth Worcester District).

	Vote for Two
Maurice E. Fitzgerald of Milford, Democratic	468
John J. Crowley of Milford, Democratic	298
William P. DiVitto of Milford, Republican	641
Robert W. Holbrook of Milford, Republican	690
Blanks	361
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	2458

REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY,
(Worcester County).

	Vote for One
F. Joseph Donohue of Worcester, Democratic	487
Rene A. Brassard of Worcester, Republican	611
Blanks	131
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	1229

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, (Worcester County).

	Vote for Two
Francis E. Cassidy of Webster, Democratic	316
Elbert M. Crockett of Milford, Republican	800
P. Eugene Casey of Milford, Democratic	434

Leslie M. Willard of Fitchburg, Republican	530
Blanks	378
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	2458

COUNTY TREASURER, (Worcester County).

Vote for Two

John W. Fellows of Boylston, Republican	710
Alexander G. Lajoie of Worcester, Democratic	385
Blanks	134
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	1229

QUESTION 1.

Yes	700
No	99
Blanks	430
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	1229

QUESTION 2.

Yes	728
No	82
Blanks	419
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	1229

QUESTION 3.

Yes	640
No	85
Blanks	504
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	1229

QUESTION 4.

Yes	546
No	453
Blanks	230
	1229

QUESTION 5.

Yes	392
No	466
Blanks	371
	1229

QUESTION 6.

Yes	514
No	334
Blanks	381
	1229

QUESTION 7.

Yes	504
No	346
Blanks	379
	1229

QUESTION 8.

Yes	550
No	213
Blanks	466
	1229

QUESTION 9.

A. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages wines and all other alcoholic beverages?)

Yes	631
No	384
Blanks	214
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	1229

B. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages) ?

Yes	595
No	353
Blanks	281
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	1229

C. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises ?

Yes	688
No	312
Blanks	229
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	1229

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON,
Town Clerk.

REPORT OF UPTON MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL
BUILDING COMMITTEE.

December 31, 1948.

I hereby submit a report of progress of your building committee.

November 13, 1947, Mr. Upham stated: "The plans are about complete and are now in the hands of the engineers, when they are returned to him he will go over them with us in detail and then give us completed working drawings."

January 16, 1948, Voted to authorize Mr. Upham to proceed with working drawings and the necessary specifications for plan "C" which was adopted by the committee.

May 3, 1948, Mr. Benson wrote Mr. Upham regarding progress of building plans.

May 6, 1948. Mr. Upham advised, "The Architectural drawings are practically completed and we have a very good start on the structural drawings including the engineerings for plumbing, electrical, heating and ventilating work."

July 1, 1948. As Chairman of your building committee I wrote Mr. Upham the following letter:

"Dear Mr. Upham:—

It has been several months since we have had any report from you, therefore, we feel our building project is being neglected. I, therefore request you advise us immediately, as to a definite date on which the plans may be submitted for estimates of cost of construction."

August 25, 1948. Mr. Upham met with The Building Committee, with plans still incomplete, and advised us that in approximately three weeks, the plans would be complete, and he would have bids on cost of construction of the Wareham School.

After more than two months, Mr. Benson wrote to Mr. Upham calling his attention to the delay, and in reply received the information, that a bid of 80½ cents per cubic foot had been received.

The cube of the proposed Upton High School Building is 490,785 cubic feet, at 80½ cents per cubic foot would be approximately \$395,000.

Your committee cannot proceed further until your architect produces plans and specifications, which we have been waiting for many months, and which we feel are long overdue.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL B. YOUNG.

January 1, 1948, Cash on hand	\$10,366 55
January 21, Paid W. Upham, traveling expenses	\$120 55
May 1, W. B. Brown, staking borings	40 00
June 25, Raymond Concrete Pile Co., borings	341 32
September 10, James E. Heaney, testing well	100 00
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Total expenditures	\$601 87
Balance on hand January 1, 1949	\$9,764 68

SAMUEL B. YOUNG.

1948 JURY LIST.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 234, Sections 4 and 5 of the General Laws, the Selectmen of the Town of Upton have prepared a list of names of persons residing in this town and placed them in the jury list box for the coming 12 months. This action was taken at a meeting of the Selectmen, June 21, 1948.

Name	Street	Occupation
Aldrich, Francis E.	Main	Machine Operator
Allen, Walter H.	West River	Carpenter
Bates, Daniel F.	Depot	Machine Operator
Black, Arthur L.	Mendon	Farmer
Bradford, Ronald L.	Main	Machinist
Briggs, Ralph G.	Main	Merchant
Brousseau, Walter L.	Brookside	Carpenter
Driscoll, Joseph J.	Centennial Ct.	Hatter
Freeman, Harry	Main	Assembler
Henault, Arthur P.	Hopkinton	Whittler
Lambert, Clement	Farm	Foreman
Lapworth,		
Clarence H., Jr.	Main	Foreman
Mosso, Nelson	Fisk	Steamfitter
Noe, Joseph C.	Main	Machinist
Page, Arthur J.	Centennial Ct.	Hatter
Perkins, Ashley M.	Grove	Toolmaker
Robson, Peter	Russell Ave.	Plumber
Rock, Edward C.	Main	Poultryman
Strachan, James A.	Maple Ave.	Machinist
Stuart, Robert M.	Elm	Bleacher
Varney, Donald L.	Centennial Ct.	Hatter
Wellman, Donald A.	Main	Factory Worker
Whiting, Raymond C.	South	Farmer
Whitten, Karl S.	Grove	Draftsman
Wood, Kendall W.	Main	Clerk
Wood, Kenneth W.	Russell Ave.	Clerk

JURORS DRAWN IN 1948.

Whiting, Raymond C.	Civil	Drawn Sept. 9
Perkins, Ashley M.	Civil	Drawn Sept. 9
Bates, Daniel F.	Grand Jury	Drawn Dec. 20
Lapworth, Clarence H., Jr.	Criminal	Drawn Dec. 20

LICENSES ISSUED THROUGH TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE.

DOG LICENSES.

A total of 341 Dog Licenses were issued: 202 Males, 55 Females, 84 Spayed, one \$25 Kennel and five \$10 Kennel. Paid to Town Treasurer by Town Clerk, \$854.40.

FISH AND GAME LICENSES.

A total of 400 Licenses were issued: 131 Fishing, 66 Hunting, 93 Sporting, 77 Women's and Minors', 3 Minor Trapping, 7 Citizens' Trapping, 5 Non-Resident Fishing (3-Day), 2 Non-Resident Fishing (year), 13 Sporting and Trapping (free—70 years of age and over), 2 Servicemen's (free) and 1 Old Age Assistance (free). Cash sent to Division of Fisheries and Game, \$758.00.

TOWN LICENSES.

A total of 000 Licenses were issued: 1 Common Victualler—All Alcoholic Beverages, 1 Common Victualler—All Alcoholic Beverages (part year), 2 Retail Package Store—All Alcoholic, 5 Common Victualler, 1 Common Virtualler (part year), 1 First Class Auto Dealer, Agent Class; 19 permits to carry pistol or revolver, 1 Junk, 1 Junk (part year), 1 Innholder, 8 Voting Lists, 12 Sunday License, Sale of Ice Cream, etc., 2 Taxi, 7 Certificates of Registration—to sell Gasoline, 2 Non-Freeze Liquids, 1 Amusement. Paid to Town Treasurer by Town Clerk, \$1,840.88.

GEORGE G. NEWTON,
Town Clerk.

VITAL STATISTICS.

BIRTHS.

1947 BIRTH

Received in 1948 to be Recorded	
Date of Birth.	Name of Child.
May	2 Wayne Richard Garland

1948 BIRTHS

January	7 Diana Jean Caputo
January	9 Alden Randolph Stanley
January	11 Richard Alan Cheney
January	17 Dennis Gross Newton
January	20 Charles Murray Higgins
February	4 Sharon Marie Ramsey
February	10 Ronald Edward Stearns
February	12 Charles Warren Francis
February	12 Judith Ann Flooks
February	20 William Henry Martin
February	28 Carol Ann Higgins
March	9 Edith Dianne Francis
March	13 Mary Cecilia Codelie Rogers
March	19 Dennis Joseph Pye
March	26 George Daniel Magurn
March	31 David Douglas Leclair
April	4 James Albert Spencer
April	13 David Pierre Benoit
April	14 Richard Michael Mainville
April	20 Stephen Ronald Pirie
April	25 Stephen Mark Paulson
April	30 Dean Howard Davis, Jr.
May	2 Terry Alan Daniels
May	3 Gary Howard French
May	15 Stillborn
May	16 John Paul Bison
May	18 Marcia Cay Tobey
May	19 Madeline Rita Couture
May	19 Terry Maynard Mitchell
May	20 Kathleen Ann Stockwell
May	25 Jeanne Helen Gilchrist
May	26 Sheila Mary Whitney
May	28 Nancy Jean Carlson

BIRTHS.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child.
June	1 Paul Denis Dean
June	2 Stillborn
June	3 Nancy Antoinette Brozeau
June	12 Diane Zajac
June	22 Gail Gracia Nickerson
June	27 Kenneth Ryder Libbey
June	30 Robert Howard Sears
June	30 James Hanagan
June	30 John Hanagan
July	8 Diane Elizabeth Taft
July	15 Shirley Ann Benoit
July	17 John Stephen Fitzgerald, Jr.
July	20 Alan Lucien Cote
July	22 Anne Cifizzari
August	2 Bonnie Ann Bradford
August	9 James Edward Benoit
August	11 Louise Marie Grenier
August	14 Neale Francis Crites
August	21 David Edward Nadeau
August	22 Carol Jean Nydam
August	24 Ann Marie McGee
August	28 Gordon Lewis Stearns
August	31 Linda Ann Leclaire
September	22 Bernard Joseph Koenig
September	30 John Denis Smith
October	6 Lloyd Edward Crosby, Jr.
October	8 Douglas Raymond Victor
October	10 Karen Linda Sanborn
October	19 Patrick Roche
October	24 Dennis Bruce Page
October	29 Stillborn
November	2 Katherine Ann Earl
November	3 Dennis Paul Teachout
November	10 Russell Gerard Massey
November	10 Whalen
November	18 Steven Everett Montgomery
November	22 Joyce Ann Tracy
November	25 William George Daubney
December	5 Timothy Noonan
December	9 Carolyn Ruth Perkins
December	17 Lambert
December	21 Glenn Owen Tupper
December	28 Gary Noe

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1948

Date	Name, Age and Residence	By Whom and Where Married
Jan. 10	James J. Whelan, 25, Philadelphia, Pa. Rev. Francis A. Foley Dorothy E. Page, 22, Upton	Upton
Jan. 31	Francis M. Noel, 21, Grafton Barbara J. Noe, 19, Upton	Rev. Francis A. Foley Upton
March 7	Glen L. Fitch, 24, New Sharon, Me. Rev. Louis C. Toppan Evelyn G. (Stevens) Perkins, 27, New Sharon, Me. Upton	Upton
March 26	Ronald E. Mitchell, 19, Upton Mary L. Wirth, 20, Bay Shore, L. I., N. Y.	Rev. Charles DeVries Upton
April 3	Howard A. Cederlund, 20, Upton Laura B. Hastings, 22, Shrewsbury	Rev. Robert Holcomb Upton
May 8	Bruno Ragaini, 21, Upton Edna T. Tacconi, 21, Milford	Rev. John P. Stanton Milford
May 15	Richard F. Glispin, 23, Grafton Jennie Kuczinski, 22, Grafton	Rev. Thomas J. Smith Upton
May 22	Gerard E. Massey, 26, Northbridge Phyllis M. Peters, 20, Upton	Rev. Thomas J. Smith Upton
June 4	Clarence R. Phipps, 21, Mendon Betty L. Robson, 21, Upton	Rev. William Williams Upton
June 12	John E. Thompson, 24, Upton Violet Y. (LaPointe) Edwards, 26, Uxbridge	Rev. William Williams Upton
June 12	Roland A. Murray, 21, Worcester Josephine Ragaini, 18, Upton	Rev. Thomas J. Smith Upton
June 26	Philip F. Perkins, 30, Upton Gretchen W. Brooks, 24, Worcester	Rev. Harold G. Jones Worcester
June 26	Enrico A. Consoletti, 32, Milford Arlene L. Bates, 27, Upton	Rev. Raymond DallaPorta Milford
June 26	Myron S. Whittles, 27, Upton Patricia I. Briggs, 19, Worcester	Rev. Alfred B. Minyard Upton
July 3	Charles J. Fertiitta, 29, Milford Phyllis L. Lapan, 21, Upton	Rev. Thomas J. Smith Upton
July 18	Frederic W. Spearin, Jr., 23, Marblehead Lois E. Davidson, 20, Upton	Rev. Wm. Williams Upton
July 24	John J. Fitch, 21, Upton Ellen J. Lincoln, 20, Medway	Rev. Thomas J. Smith Upton
July 30	Donald A. Wellman, 24, Upton Marion E. Whitney, 22, Upton	Rev. William Williams Upton
July 31	Howard F. Libbey, 34, Upton Priscilla E. (Webber) Burden, 30, Upton	Rev. William J. Browne N. Smithfield, R. I.
Aug. 13	Alfred J. Sweet, 46, Millbury Hazel M. Donaldson, 44, Sutton	Rev. Charles DeVries Upton
Aug. 14	Donald H. Phipps, 21, Mendon Dorothy E. Briggs, 20, Upton	Rev. William Williams Upton

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1948.

Date	Name, Age and Residence	By Whom and Where Married
Sept. 2	Rosario J. Leclair, 52, Grafton Regina I. (Mosher) Stevens, 57, Charlton	Rev. Charles DeVries Upton
Sept. 25	Edward Henry Forand, 24, Upton Blanche M. L'Esperance, 21, Worcester	Rev. Joseph Boutin Worcester
Oct. 2	Victor H. Marin, 27, Upton Maxine F. Heavner, 25, Upton	Malcolm C. Midgley, J. P. Worcester
Oct. 2	Ernest H. Davidson, 23, Upton Shirley L. Whitten, 20, Upton	Rev. Alfred B. Minyard Upton
Oct. 2	Leonard A. Mainville, 20, Upton Gloria I. Bartlett, 18, Whitinsville	Rev. Francis E. Dowd Whitinsville
Oct. 9	Ferdinand N. Trematore, 39, Upton Yolanda Continenza, 35, Upton	Rev. Thomas J. Smith Upton
Oct. 16	Earl C. Wood, 28, Grafton Cecile M. Ducharme, 24, Upton	Rev. Thomas J. Smith Upton
Oct. 23	Walter A. Pierce, 23, Upton Eleanor M. Mann, 20, Upton	Rev. Thomas J. Smith Upton
Nov. 6	David G. Clark, 22, Upton Mary E. McPherson, 18, Upton	Rev. William Williams Upton
Nov. 20	Robert F. Kelly, 24, Upton Pauline L. Blanchard, 23, Upton	Rev. Thomas J. Smith Upton
Nov. 24	Lawrence H. Peavey, Jr., 21, Hopedale Joyce L. Temple, 20, Upton	Rev. Wm. Williams Upton
Nov. 26	James W. Sadler, 28, Upton Hazel I. Colcord, 23, Upton	Rev. William Williams Upton

DEATHS RECORDED IN UPTON DURING 1948.

	Date of Death	Name	Age	Place of Burial	
			Y	M	D
Jan.	2	David C. Judd	63	....	....
Feb.	3	Mary J. Leach	53	5	28
Feb.	4	Harry E. Negus	67	4	14
Feb.	22	Harvey W. Clark	65	2	26
Feb.	27	Winfred Temple	77	8	23
Mar.	12	Clara Hunter	89	4	26
Mar.	13	Mary A. Havahan	84	....	....
Mar.	17	Emma F. Johnson	90	3	21
Apr.	12	Adelaide H. Fay	87	....	....
Apr.	25	Cora L. Childs	71	4	8
May	3	John A. Sullivan	18	7	13
May	15	Stillborn	....	....	....
May	18	Odele P. Bouthiette	46	11	9
May	29	Frederick C. Newcombe	68	5	25
June	2	Stillborn	....	....	....
June	15	Nina B. Scott	80	....	....
June	28	Louis D. Bates	62	8	25
July	4	Reeta B. Heavner	29	9	7
July	5	Bertrand G. Rowe	63	10	....
Aug.	22	Jean B. Peltier	70	....	....
Aug.	29	Joseph Beaudoin	69	....	....
Sept.	1	Eliza M. Pigeon	73	4	....
Sept.	2	Astrid T. Cederlund	49	4	19
Sept.	16	Isabelle G. Bates	93	8	17
Sept.	18	George W. Comstock	87	1	23
Aug.	2	Bradford	....	....	1
Sept.	19	Walter E. Stearns	75	4	21
Oct.	2	Elzie L. Struthers	83	5	29
Oct.	17	Frank W. Hunter	72	6	20
Oct.	25	Dr. Harold C. Morgan	59	3	12
Oct.	26	Maureen K. O'Donoghue	....	2	....
Oct.	29	Stillborn	....	....	Worcester Northbridge

THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE BROUGHT TO UPTON
FOR BURIAL IN 1948.

LAKEVIEW CEMETERY.

Date of Death	Name	Age Y	M	D	Place of Death
1947					
Dec. 28	Florence E. Francis	65	2	12	Santa Monica, Cal.

1948

Jan. 27	William Harper	85	2	5	Holyoke
Jan. 29	David J. Moroney, Jr.	53	10	7	Whitinsville
Feb. 1	Louis M. Gates	66	6	3	Newton
Feb. 5	Ida F. Gerald	88	8	13	San Diego, Cal.
Feb. 16	James F. Sheehan	80	1	....	Framingham
Feb. 21	Fred I. Mather	56	10	12	Manchester, N. H.
Feb. 28	Gertrude M. Rogers	80	9	19	Westboro
March 13	Clement Holbrook	66	....	....	New York City
May 2	William J. Lease	76	....	....	Millbury
May 6	Lena E. Fales	56	9	21	Milford
June 7	Margaret Mercier	87	....	....	Worcester
June 19	Henry L. Plante	73	8	2	Worcester
July 10	Martin J. Roach	76	5	10	Millbury
July 19	Stillborn	....	....	....	Worcester
Sept. 3	Emma Aldrich	80	....	....	Worcester
Sept. 15	Eugene N. Whiting	81	1	23	Montclair, N.J.
Sept. 18	William E. Bird	42	....	....	Lynn
Nov. 8	Ora G. Kenadek	50	1	25	Norfolk
Dec. 11	Chester R. Seymour	51	8	21	Milford
Dec. 17	Nellie M. Lincoln	88	....	....	Waltham

MAPLEWOOD CEMETERY.

Date of Death	Name	Age Y	M	D	Place of Death
Jan. 23	Ada M. Hatch	87	....	20	Hopedale
April 19	Emily E. Mason	66	....	7	Oakland Beach, R. I.
June 25	William S. Davis	66	11	8	Milford
July 1	Lebaron C. Earl	66	....	....	Grafton
July 5	Holly W. Snow	64	10	14	Milford

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

Bills approved for payment:

Ambulance maintenance	\$368 77
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Board of Health:

General	\$169 70
Care of Patients	549 00
District Nursing Association	550 00
Town Dump	281 50

	\$1,550 20

Cemeteries:

General	\$2,804 07
Grading and oiling	199 50

	\$3,003 57

Cemeteries—Interest Account	362 20
Cemeteries—Legacy Fund	700 00

County Assessments:

County Tax	\$3,540 12
County Sanatorium—Maintenance	1,250 66
County Sanatorium—Assessment	3,308 75

	\$8,099 53

Dog Tax	856 20
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Fire Department:

Bills approved by Fire Engineers	2,710 95
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Forest Warden:

Bills approved by Warden	423 64
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Gypsy Moth Suppression:

Bills approved by Superintendent	197 00
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Highways:

Chapter 81	17,774 17
Chapter 90—Maintenance	1,834 24
Bridges	246 47
Machinery Account	17 80
Sidewalks	600 00
Snow Fence	300 00
Snow Removal	11,027 43
	————— \$31,300 11

Insurance	1,287 58
Library (Carpenter Fund)	970 08
Memorial Day	308 58
Motor Vehicle and Other Abatements	68 94
Notes and Interest	2 00

Old Age Assistance:

Bills approved by O. A. Bureau	61,055 71
Administration	701 99
	————— 61,757 70

Parks and Athletic Field	308 16
Police	1,269 76

Public Welfare:

Bills as approved by Public Welfare	3,242 07
Aid to Dependent Children	5,028 96
	————— 8,271 03

Printing	945 63
Schools:	
General	60,379 16
Industrial	1,012 92
	61,392 08
Street Lights	3,982 18
Town Halls and Repairs	3,541 75
Town Officers and Expenses	6,395 35
Tree Warden	217 70
Veterans' Service	1,190 39
State Assessments:	
Auditing Municipal Accounts	\$340 75
State Parks and Reservations	141 94
	482 69

OTHER APPROPRIATIONS.

Fire Alarm Siren, Relocating	\$350 00
L. A. Snow Mill Property	3,800 00
Memorial High School Building	601 87
Memorial Square Markers	80 00
Mendon Street Bridge	13,796 80
Pleasant Street Bridge	4,160 80
1947 Snow Removal	1,736 23
Highway Employes' Vacation	117 00
Forest Fire Hose	343 00
Fire Department Hose	300 00
Fire Department Supplies	500 00
County Retirement Pension Fund	254 65
Assessors' Expense	309 36

Payments from Ella W. Risteen Fund—Interest:

Clause 13-B (Relief)	300 00
Clause 13-D (Beautification)	2,502 08
	2,802 08

Home National Bank, Milford, Savings Dept.:

Post-War Rehabilitation Fund—Interest on War Bonds deposited	\$250 00
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Total Payrolls Approved	\$231,365 51
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Respectfully submitted,

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

Selectmen of Upton.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

ELLA W. RISTEEN FUND.

Clause 13-D, Beautification.

Payments approved:

Palmer Bigelow, Jr., landscaping, labor, etc.	\$1,652 50
F. A. Bartlett Tree Expert Co.	625 00
W. J. Stank, labor	7 20
R. M. Stuart, labor	1 80
Alfred Aldrich, labor	1 80
H. C. Snow, labor	37 13
Geo. Salisbury	24 75
Edward Fisher, labor	24 75
Oscar Halberg, labor	24 75
John Fitzgerald, labor	5 40
Austin Orff, labor	3 60
H. J. Poirier, truck	93 40
	\$2,502 08

MENDON STREET BRIDGE.

1947 Appropriation	\$8,000 00
1948 Appropriation	625 00
State Allotment	7,250 00
County Allotment	8,625 00
	————— \$14,500 00
Payment approved in 1947	16 76
	—————
Balance for 1948	\$14,483 24
Payrolls approved:	
Rome Construction Co., contract	\$13,676 50
N. E. Road Blds. Asso., advt.	6 80
Comm. of Mass., materials	113 50
	————— \$13,796 80
Unexpended balance	686 44

PLEASANT STREET BRIDGE.

Town Appropriation	\$1,375 00
State Allotment	2,750 00
County Allotment	1,375 00
	————— \$5,500 00

Payrolls approved:

G. Bonazzoli & Sons, contract	\$4,094 45
N. E. Road Blds. Asso., advt.	7 20
Boston Globe, advt.	8 00
Boston Post, advt.	7 65
Worcester Tel. & Gaz., advt.	3 50
Comm. of Mass., materials	40 00
	————— \$4,160 80
Unexpended balance	339 20

PRINTING.

Appropriation	\$1,000 00
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Payments approved:

Charlescraft Press	\$762 76
W. H. Belknap	130 42
Drummond Press	13 53
Clarke Printing	16 00
H. G. Atwood	20 75
Hobbs & Warren	2 17
	—————
Unexpended balance	\$945 63
	54 37

TOWN HALLS AND REPAIRS.

Appropriation	\$3,500 00
Transferred from Reserve Fund	41 75
	—————
	\$3,541 75

Payments approved:

R. E. Blackburn, caretaker Town Hall	\$900 00
Walter J. Stank, caretaker G.A.R. Hall	120 00
Worcester Suburban Electric Co.	241 44
Worcester Gas Co.	28 33
W. G. Fiske Lumber Co.	28 72
Upton Fuel Co.	866 33
Thompson Oil Co.	853 40
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co.	82 45
Div. of Blind, tuning pianos	15 50
Bigelow Electric Co.	75
C. M. Graves	60
C. Swanson, moving ashes	5 50
Edmond Benoit, trucking	2 00
C. H. Southland, labor, supplies	194 30
R. E. Blackburn	1 98
G. H. Davis, supplies	5 95
S. B. Young, labor	2 50
H. S. Hopkins, labor	5 00
Briggs Filling Station	4 86
Square Deal Garage	4 00

J. D. Porter, labor, materials	66 20
Orrin Francis, labor	1 00
Walter Stank, labor	1 00
C. B. Dolge Co., disinfectants	35 50
Milford Hardware Co.	15 00
Fairbanks, Moss Co.	23 25
G. G. Newton, keys	50
Werber & Rose, shades	32 25
E. C. Newton, labor	3 50
	—————
	\$3,541 75

TOWN OFFICERS AND EXPENSES.

Appropriation	\$6,285 00
Transferred from Reserve Fund	110 35
	—————
	\$6,395 35

Payments approved:

E. G. Crockett, Selectman, Chairman	\$160 46
D. H. Bates, Selectman	150 00
E. B. Porter, Selectman	150 00
G. G. Newton, Clerk	75 00
J. D. Colbert, stamped envelopes	17 44
D. H. Bates, telephone calls	3 75
Hobbs & Warren, supplies	2 40
Worcester Co. Selectmen's Asso., dues	6 00
Mass. Selectmen's Asso., dues	25 00
Perkins & Butler, supplies	2 62
	—————
	\$592 67

Paid to:

L. F. Murphy, Treasurer	\$750 00
L. F. Murphy, expenses	26 27
J. W. Gorman, stamped envelopes	17 20
Davis & Banister, supplies	3 00
Mass. Treas. Asso.	1 00
F. & E. Check Protector	37 50

Hobbs & Warren	9 26
Cahill's Agency	2 03
	—————
	\$846 36

Paid to:

G. G. Newton, Town Clerk	\$350 00
G. G. Newton, postage, administering oaths	23 85
G. G. Newton, vital statistics	117 00
Mass. Town Clerks' Asso.	3 00
Wor. Co. City & Town Clerks' Asso.	2 00
Cahill's Agency	4 85
G. G. Newton, expenses	33 36
Johnson Office Supply	7 90
Perkins & Butler, supplies	99
J. D. Colbert, stamped envelopes	18 00
	—————
	\$560 95

Paid to:

K. S. Whitten, Tax Collector	\$750 00
K. S. Whitten, supplies	7 54
Hobbs & Warren, supplies	57 60
Mass. Collectors' Asso.	1 00
K. S. Whitten, postage	20 35
K. S. Whitten, express	3 25
A. W. LaFond & Co.	96 50
Greenwood Typewriter Exchange	51 00
	—————
	\$987 24

Paid to:

G. E. Bradley, Assessor, Chairman	\$400 00
C. J. Lambert, Assessor	325 00
D. L. Varney, Assessor	275 00
Stanton Baker, Assessor	25 00
Mass. Assessors' Asso.	6 00
Hobbs & Warren, supplies	26 45
Wor. Co. Abstract Co.	24 61
	—————
	\$1,082 06

Paid to:

C. F. Caton, Public Welfare, Chairman	\$100 00
E. I. Bentley, Public Welfare	140 00
C. A. Davis, Public Welfare	75 00

	\$315 00

Paid to:

G. E. Nydam, School Committee, Chairman	\$40 00
D. B. Johnson, School Committee	40 00
Elsie J. Craib, School Committee, Clerk	59 58

	\$139 58

Paid to:

Ashley M. Perkins, Auditor	125 00
Karl S. Whitten, Veterans' Service Administrator	100 00

Paid to:

H. C. Walker, Town Counsel	\$50 00
H. C. Walker, special services	42 25

	\$92 25

Paid to:

N. E. Walker, Cemetery Commissioner, Chairman	\$25 00
A. J. Page, Commissioner, Treas.	30 00
E. L. Butterfield, Clerk	27 50

	\$82 50

Paid to:

H. E. Bates, Fin. Com., Clerk	\$60 00
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Paid to:

F. W. Tuttle, Sealer	\$80 00
W. & L. E. Gurley	16 10

	\$96 10

Paid to:

E. W. Sadler, Reg. of Voters, Chr.	\$35 00
R. M. Stuart, Reg. of Voters	35 00
J. L. Kearnan, Reg. of Voters	35 00
G. G. Newton, Reg. of Voters, Clerk	50 00
G. G. Newton, postage	1 20
J. J. Driscoll, listing	72 84
Forrest E. Noe, listing	30 78
F. E. Noe, expense	12 00
K. S. Whitten, supervising	25 00
Robinson Seal Co.	4 96

	\$301 78

Paid to:

Annual Town Election	\$226 70
Presidential Pre-Primary	46 75
State Primary	93 50
National-State Election	282 75
D. H. Bates, posting warrant	3 00
H. K. Struthers, moderator	10 00
R. E. Blackburn, labor	10 80
Thompson's Spa, lunches	28 58

	\$702 08

Paid to:

Gorman's Agency, bonding town officers	\$161 08
A. W. Morrison, Slaughtering Ins.	\$12 00
A. W. Morrison, Animal Inspector	85 00

	\$97 00

Paid to:

Wood's Pharmacy, supplies	1 40
G. G. Crockett, advt.	6 00
Rubelle Keniston	46 30

	\$6,395 35

1948

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES.

Departments	Appropriations	Transfers from Reserve Fund	Allotments and Available Funds	Total Receipts	Total Expenditures	Unexpended Balance
Ambulance Maintenance	\$250 00	* \$118 77		\$368 77	\$368 77	
Board of Health:						
General	200 00			200 00	169 70	\$30 30
Care of Patients	550 00			550 00	549 00	1 00
District Nursing Asso.	550 00			550 00	550 00	
Town Dump	300 00			300 00	281 50	18 50
Cemeteries:						
General	2,650 00	* 154 07		2,804 07	2,804 07	
Grading and Oiling	500 00			500 00	199 50	300 50
Co. Hospital:						62
Maintenance, Care	1,250 66			1,250 66	1,250 66	
Patients' Assessment	3,308 75			3,308 75	3,308 75	
Fire Department	1,900 00	* 810 95		2,710 95	2,710 95	
Forest Fires	500 00			500 00	428 64	76 36
Gypsy Moth Suppression	200 00			200 00	197 00	3 00
Highways:						
Chapt. 81	4,500 00		13,275 00	17,775 00	17,774 17	83
Chapt. 90, Maintenance	450 00		900 00	1,350 00	1,334 24	15 76
Bridges	200 00	* 46 47		246 47	246 47	
			{ b 136 95			
			{ c 5 60	142 55	17 80	124 75
Machinery Account				600 00	600 00	
Sidewalks	600 00			300 00	300 00	
Snow Fence	300 00					
Snow Removal	10,600 00	* 427 43		11,027 43	11,027 43	

Insurance	1,200 00	* 87 58		1,287 58	1,287 58	
Library—Carpenter Fund	875 00		100 00	975 00	970 08	4 92
Memorial Day	350 00			350 00	308 58	41 42
Notes and Interest	10 00			10 00	2 00	8 00
Old Age Asst. (Town)	36,500 00	* 360 75	24,194 96	36,860 75	36,860 75	
Old Age Asst. (Grant)				24,194 96	24,194 96	
Old Age Adm. (Town)	300 00		b 419 16			
Old Age Adm. (Grant)			200 88	920 04	701 99	218 05
Parks, Athletic Field	300 00	* 8 16		308 16	308 16	
Police	1,000 00	* 269 76		1,269 76	1,269 76	
Public Welfare—General	5,000 00			5,000 00	3,242 07	1,757 93
Aid Depdt. Children, Town	4,350 00			4,350 00	3,912 96	437 04
Aid Depdt. Children, Grant			1,116 00	1,116 00	1,116 00	
Printing	1,000 00			1,000 00	945 63	54 37
Schools:						
General	59,488 87					
Dog Tax			685 60	60,453 45	60,379 16	74 29 86
Trust Funds, Interest			278 98			
Industrial	1,000 00	* 12 92		1,012 92	1,012 92	
Street Lights	4,000 00			4,000 00	3,982 13	17 87
Town Halls and Repairs	3,500 00	* 41 75		3,541 75	3,541 75	
Town Officers and Expenses	6,285 00	* 110 35		6,395 35	6,395 35	
Tree Warden	200 00	* 17 70		217 70	217 70	
Veterans' Service	1,000 00	* 190 39		1,190 39	1,190 39	

Special Appropriations

Pleasant Street Bridge	1,375 00		4,125 00	5,500 00	4,160 80	1,339 20
1947 Snow Removal Bill	1,736 23			1,736 23	1,736 23	
Highway Emps.' Vacation	200 00			200 00	117 00	83 00
Forest Fire Hose	343 00			343 00	343 00	
Fire Dept. Hose	300 00			300 00	300 00	
Fire Dept. Equipment				500 00	500 00	

Retirement Pension	254 65			254 65	254 65	
Mendon Street Bridge	625 00		b13,858 24	14,483 24	13,796 80	686 44
Assessors' Expenses	193 00	* 116 36		309 36	309 36	
1945						
Bathing Beach			b 6 49	6 49		6 49
Fire Siren, Relocating		* 50 00	b 300 00	350 00	350 00	
Printing Proposed By-Laws			b 100 00	100 00		100 00
1946						
Farm Street Layout			b 200 00	200 00		200 00
L. A. Snow Property			b 3,800 00	3,800 00	3,800 00	
1945						
Tax Liens			b 317 50	317 50		317 50
W. W. 2 Honor Roll			b 43 22	43 22		43 22
1946						
Memorial H. S. Bldg.			b10,366 55	10,366 55	601 87	9,764 68
1944						
Water Holes			b 200 00	200 00		200 00
1947						
Memorial Square Markers		* 15 12	b 64 88	80 00	80 00	
Farm Street Light			b 15 00	15 00		15 00
Inhalator (Gift)			b 6 50	6 50		6 50
Total	\$160,695 16		\$2,838 53	\$74,716 51	\$238,250 20	\$15,946 92
Reserve Fund	3,000 00				3,000 00	2,838 53
Total	\$163,695 16		\$2,838 53	\$74,716 51	\$241,250 20	\$16,108 39
Grand Total Expenditures for 1948	Selectmen's Report					\$231,365 51

Expenditures:—

From Appropriations, Transfers and Receipts	\$222,303 28
Auditing Municipal Accounts	340 75
Cemetery—Interest	362 20
County Tax	3,540 12
1948 Dog Taxes	856 20
Motor Vehicle and Other Tax Abatements	68 94
Ella W. Risteen Fund—Clause 13-B (Relief).....	300 00
Ella W. Risteen Fund—Clause 13-D (Beautification)	2,502 08
State Parks and Reservations Assessment	141 94
Payrolls—to Deposit:	
Cemetery—Legacy Fund	700 00
Interest—Post-War Rehabilitation Bonds	250 00
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	\$231,365 51
	\$231,365 51 55

*—Transferred from Reserve Fund.

b—Balance January 1, 1948.

c—Transferred from Machinery Fund.

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

I have examined this report and find it correct, ASHLEY M. PERKINS, Auditor.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

LEO F. MURPHY, TOWN TREASURER,

In Account with The Town of Upton:

RECEIPTS.

January 1, 1948, Cash Balance from 1947	\$59,036 43
Upton Grange, rent of Town Hall	5 00
George L. Wood Post, V.F.W., rent of Town hall	25 00
Upton Boys' Club, rent of Town hall	21 00
Women's Club, rent of Town hall	9 00
Traveling Grange, rent of Town hall	18 00
Western Show, rent of Town hall	10 00
Blair Motor Co., rent of Town hall	10 00
Women's Relief Corps, rent of G.A.R. hall	48 00
Columbian Chapter, O.E.S., rent of G.A.R. hall	40 00
Ira H. Munroe, damage to highway post	13 30
Clarence Farrar, damage to highway post	10 00
Joseph W. Gorman, refund on 1946 Tax Collector bond	28 25
City of Worcester soldiers' relief	15 00
Rome Construction Co., Highway Dept., tar	19 06
City of Boston School Dept.	118 25
Third District Court, return of fines	150 00
Milford National Bank, Chapter 90 Note	2,900 00
Daniel H. Bates, bicycle registrations	16 00
Harry Usher, Milk Inspection fees	27 00
Fred Tuttle, Sealer's fees	29 46
Bertha Frost, Library fines	2 32
Bertha Frost, old papers sold	2 21
Laurie Thompson, taxi badge deposits	8 75
Benoit Cab Service, taxi badge deposits	8 75

Highway Dept. machinery fund	9 10
Roy R. Johnson, Welfare contribution	245 70
Edward Henderson and Norman Walker, Cordelia	
Thurston heirs, tax title	30 57
 Commonwealth of Massachusetts:—	
School Supt. salary, 1947 and 1948	924 55
Director of Standards, peddler licenses	16 00
Division of Highways, Chapter 90 (1947)	450 00
Corporation Tax	7,180 33
Income Tax	14,876 67
Meal Tax (Old Age Assistance)	1,467 26
Old Age Assistance	23,883 58
Old Age Assistance, U. S. Grant	24,194 96
Aid to Dependent Children	1,649 29
Aid to Dependent Children, U. S. Grant	1,116 00
Division of Highways, Chapter 81 (1947)	3,251 44
Mendon Street Bridge, Chapter 90	5,500 35
Pleasant Street Bridge, Chapter 90	2,047 22
School Fund, Chapter 70	11,349 30
Inspector of Animals salary	42 50
Veterans' Service	256 45
Temporary Aid and Transportation	312 00
Reimbursement for loss of taxes	452 04
Dept. of Public Health (subsidies)	707 84
Old Age Assistance Adm., U. S. Grant	200 88
Vocational Education	1,061 18
Tuition of Children	375 05
Division of Highways, Chapter 81	10,987 32
Public Service	14 46
 County of Worcester:—	
Dog Tax Refund (1947)	685 60
Division of Highways, Chapter 90	450 00
Reimbursement for 1947 dog case	29 00
Mendon Street Bridge, Chapter 90	2,750 16
Pleasant Street Bridge, Chapter 90	1,023 61

Old Age Assistance:—

Town of Northbridge	132 60
Town of Westboro	72 53
Town of Milford	187 38
City of Malden	18 82
City of Worcester	289 25
Estate of Livingston and Anna Fiske	1,090 04

George G. Newton, Town Clerk:—

Dog Licenses	854 40
2 Package Store Liquor Licenses	500 00
2 Restaurant-Liquor Licenses	750 00
1 Amusement License	2 00
6 Common Victuallers' Licenses	10 50
1 Automobile Dealer's License	10 00
1 Inn Holder's License	4 00
6 Sunday Licenses	12 00
2 Junk Licenses	13 33
2 Taxi Cab Licenses	6 00
2 Denatured Alcohol Licenses	2 00
7 Gasoline Registrations	3 50
19 Gun Permits	19 00
8 Voting Lists	8 00

Cemetery Department:—

Sale of Lots	180 00
Care of Lots	958 25

Perpetual Care Bequests:

Shirley A. Kinsley	50 00
Edward Prentiss	50 00
Anna J. Fiske Estate	75 00
Fred L. and Reginald Fales	50 00
Reginald Fales	50 00
Carl R. Clark	100 00
Cecelia Moroney	100 00

Fritz Cedarlund	50 00
Walter Stearns Estate	50 00
George Harback	75 00
Carl Swanson	50 00

Trust Funds:—

C. A. Batchelor (School)	100 00
Knowlton and Batchelor (School)	178 98
C. A. Batchelor (Library)	100 00
Dr. Carpenter (Library)	20 00
Cemetery Perpetual Care	362 72
United States War Bonds	250 00
Upton Memorial Fund	216 28
Risteen Fund (Clause 13-B)	300 00
Risteen Fund (Clause 13-D)	2,502 08

Karl S. Whitten, Tax Collector:

1947 Excise Tax	421 51
1947 Excise Interest	3 90
1947 Excise Fees	10 10
1947 Personal Tax	1,017 59
1947 Personal Interest	12 20
1947 Personal Fees	85
1947 Real Estate Tax	11,772 39
1947 Real Estate Interest	201 93
1947 Real Estate Fees	3 10
1948 Poll Tax	1,398 00
1948 Poll Interest	1 05
1948 Poll Fees	11 55
1948 Excise Tax	6,084 22
1948 Excise Interest	3 84
1948 Excise Fees	15 60
1948 Real Estate Tax	57,364 27
1948 Real Estate Interest	2 14
1948 Personal Tax	13,424 47
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Total Receipts	\$281,713 06

Total Receipts	\$281,713 06
Paid on Selectmen's Payrolls	231,365 51
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Cash Balance January 1, 1949	\$50,347 55

Respectfully submitted,
 LEO F. MURPHY,
 Treasurer.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
 Auditor.

TOWN TREASURER'S STATEMENT.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank, \$9.58 known as the Knowlton School Fund with the Town Treasurer as Trustee to be used by the School Committee to defray extraordinary expenses at the Knowlton School Building.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank, one thousand dollars (\$1000.00) known as the Ella (Whitney) Risteen Fund in trust with the Town Treasurer and School Committee as Trustees, the income to be divided between the two pupils in our High school who make the most progress during each year. \$21.12 was received this year. No awards were made.

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

Charlotte A. Batchelor and George W. Knowlton established a Trust Deed at the Worcester County Trust Co., with the Bank as trustee, the income to be paid to the Town of

Upton for use of Public Schools. \$178.98 was received this year.

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

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

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank a War Bonus Surplus Fund to be used as a nucleus of a Fund for a Public Library Building as voted by the Town, February 7, 1925. \$66.75 interest was received and the amount of this fund on January 1, 1949 was \$3,387.88.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank of Milford, five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) known as the George W. Knowlton Fund. The income is subject to withdrawal by the Town Treasurer on order from the Board of Selectmen, to be used to help the townspeople who are in distress. \$111.48 interest was received and the balance on January 1, 1949 was \$5,248.41. \$816.05 was used this year.

The Industrial Accident Insurance Fund established in 1937 is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank. \$42.55 interest was received and the balance on January 1, 1949 was \$2,159.57. Payment from this Fund is to be made only in accordance with rules to be established by the Board of Selectmen. No appropriation was made this year.

"The Ella W. Risteen Trust Fund"
 Hartford, Connecticut Trust Co., Trustee.

Income received \$2,491.53.

Interest received \$145.97.

\$300.00 was withdrawn to cover Payrolls for Clause 13-B.
 \$2,502.08 was withdrawn to cover Payrolls for Clause 13-D, as shown in Selectmen's Report. The balance on deposit on January 1, 1949 in Savings Dept. of Home National Bank, Milford, Mass.:

Clause 13-B—Welfare Fund	\$8,960 35
Clause 13-C—School Fund	5,181 61
Clause 13-D—Improvement Fund	1,173 81

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

WAR BONDS.

1 Series G Bond	\$5,000 00
Purchased in 1944 and matures in 1956	
1 Series G Bond	5,000 00
Purchased in 1945 and matures in 1957	

Income received \$250.00.
 Interest received \$10.09.

The income from these Bonds is deposited in the Savings Dept. of the Home National Bank of Milford, Mass. for a Post War Rehabilitation Fund. Balance January 1, 1949 \$1,013.84.

STATEMENT OF TOWN INSURANCE.

The Town Property is insured as follows:—

Town Hall building	\$50,000 00
Contents	3,000 00
G. A. R. Hall building	15,000 00
Knowlton School Building	20,000 00
Contents	1,000 00
George S. Ball School building	20,000 00
Contents	2,000 00
Weights and Measure Standards	1,500 00
Cemetery Building and Contents	1,600 00
Road Machinery	2,000 00
Library Books, etc.	3,000 00
Boilers in Halls and Schools	5,000 00

Tax Title deeds in possession of the Town Treasurer of property taken for taxes, \$781.61.

Respectfully submitted,
 LEO F. MURPHY,
 Town Treasurer.

I have examined this report and find it correct.
 ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
 Auditor

ASSESSORS' REPORT FOR 1948.

Number of Horses assessed	51
Cows	136
Neat Cattle	49
Swine	95
Sheep	34
Other Animals	373
Fowl	8630
Houses	709
Acres of Land	12,148
Valuation of Real Estate	\$1,178,195 00
Personal Estate Valuation	228,602
 Total	 \$1,406,797 00

Number of Persons assessed	801
Number of Polls assessed	719
Value of assessed Live Stock	26,152 00
Value of assessed Stock in Trade	33,600 00
Value of assessed Machinery	161,550 00
Value of Tangible Property	7,300 00

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

RECAPITULATION.

	1947	1948
Town Appropriation	\$124,540 00	\$158,881 10
*Approved of 23-59	44,145 59	26,146 74
State Tax	1,200 00	
State Parks	166 52	121 11

State Audit	764 27	840 75
County Tax	3,319 93	3,111 87
Tuberculosis Hospital	2,295 26	4,559 41
Overlayings	2,499 32	3,003 73
Unestimated in 1948	106 95	572 32
Retirement		354 65

Estimated Receipts:

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

	1947	1948
	\$106,485 17	\$102,422 26
Overlay Adjustment		1 46
Net amount raised by Taxation on		
Polls and Property	73,079 58	94,569 42
Tax Rate	55 00	66 20
Excise Tax Warrant	4,508 71	7,133 95
Value of Motor Vehicles	161,195 00	230,570 00
Number of Motor Vehicles	863	992

GEORGE E. BRADLEY,
CLEMENT J. LAMBERT,
DONALD L. VARNEY,
Assessors of Upton.

**REPORT FOR TOWN OF UPTON
ASSESSORS' EXPENSE ACCOUNT.**

Appropriations	\$193 00
Transfer from Reserve Fund	116 36
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	\$309 36

Hobson & Warren	\$33 86
Worcester Abstract	234 50
Stoneham	1 00
Assessors' Office Expenses	40 00

	\$809 36

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT.

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE.

Town Appropriation	\$450 00
County Appropriation	450 00
State Appropriation	450 00
	\$1,350 00

Expenditures.

LABOR.

Harry C. Snow, Street Superintendent	\$96 52
Geo. Salisbury, labor	59 40
Ed. Fisher, labor	59 40
Austin Orff, labor	59 40
Oscar Halberg, labor	45 00
Henry J. Poirier, labor	7 20
	\$326 92

MACHINERY.

Henry J. Poirier, Trucks, loader, sander, etc.	\$270 00
	\$270 00

MATERIALS.

Henry J. Poirier, sand	\$73 00
Henry J. Poirier, patch	42 75
Koppers, MC3	621 57
	\$737 32
	\$1,334 24
Balance	15 76

Respectfully submitted,
HARRY C. SNOW,
 Road Commissioner.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
 Auditor.

SNOW REMOVAL.

Appropriation	\$10,000 00
Transfers	600 00
Transfers	19 13
Transfers	168 00
Transfers	240 30
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	\$11,027 43

LABOR.

Harry C. Snow, Street Superintendent	\$700 23
George Salisbury	466 33
Edward Fisher	401 63
Austin Orff	401 79
Oscar Halberg	71 55
Henry J. Poirier	74 67
Russell Varney	6 60
Robert Stuart	40 02
Daniel Bates, Jr.	8 25
J. Lukko	9 90
R. Kelly	9 90
W. Brooks	6 60
W. Prentiss	28 05
O. Francis	25 58
H. Francis	3 30
R. Hilliard	3 30
A. Bouthiette	3 30
T. Flaherty	117 32

T. Francis	5 36
E. Henchey	21 15
	—————
	\$2,404 83

MACHINERY.

John Kuczinski, plow	\$570 00
H. J. Poirier,	
Plows, trucks, loader, etc.	6,911 73
Ovide Cote, plow	79 00
Harry C. Snow, car	101 13
Malcolm Temple, tractor plow	525 00
W. Brooks, plow	32 00
Henry Cote, plow	47 50
Norman Wood, plow	27 00
	—————
	\$8,293 36

MATERIALS.

H. J. Poirier, sand, gravel	\$281 30
W. G. Fiske, Lumber Co., twine	5 50
Worc. Chemical Dist. Corp.	42 44
	—————
	\$329 24
	—————
	\$11,027 43

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SNOW,
Road Commissioner.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

CHAPTER 81.

Appropriation	\$4,425 00
State Appropriation	13,275 00
	—————
	\$17,700 00

LABOR.

Harry C. Snow, Street Superintendent	\$1,593 88
George Salisbury	1,015 99
Edward Fisher	1,060 99
Austin Orff	911 59
Oscar Halberg	905 40
Tom Flaherty	147 04
Ernest Henchey	211 50
Henry J. Poirier (1 man)	120 60
Roland Temple	31 25
Joseph Poirier	3 60
	————— \$6,001 84

MACHINERY HIRE.

Henry J. Poirier,	
Trucks, shovels, loader, etc.	\$6,658 08
Town of Upton, roller	9 10
	————— \$6,667 13

MATERIALS.

Henry J. Poirier,	
Sand, gravel, patch, rent, etc.	\$1,425 10
Varney Bros., patch	155 48
W. G. Fiske Lumber Co., lumber	124 61
Roland Temple, caps, dynamite	26 94
New England Pipe Co., pipe	373 58
Traffic & Road Equipment Co., signs	24 75
Upton Fuel Co., oil	7 10
Edward Paige, signs	9 00
Koppers Co., MC3-Ts 4-6	2,888 77
	————— \$5,030 33
	————— \$17,699 30
Balance	70

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SNOW,
Road Commissioner.

CHAPTER 81 (Unmatched).

Appropriation	\$75 00
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Expenditures.

MATERIALS.

Dyar Sales-M. Co.	\$42 67
W. G. Fiske Co., Shovels, etc.	32 20
	————
	\$74 87
Balance	13

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SNOW,
Road Commissioner.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor

VACATION FUND.

Appropriation	\$200 00
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Expenditures.

George Salisbury	\$39 00
Ed Fisher	39 00
Austin Orff	39 00
	————
	\$117 00
Balance	83 00

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SNOW,
Road Commissioner.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

SNOW FENCE.

Appropriation	\$300 00
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Expenditures.

Standard Fence Co., 1m ft fence	\$150 00
Standard Fence Co., 250 wooden posts	150 00
	—————
	\$300 00

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SNOW,
Road Commissioner.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

MACHINERY ACCOUNT.

Balance 1947	\$136 95
Earnings 1947 transferred	5 60
	—————
	\$142 55

Expenditures.

W. G. Fiske Lumber Co., locks	\$1 25
Elmer Dow, repairing pick	1 00
Ralph's Filling Station, gas	3 75
Square Deal Garage, gas, oil	6 80
Square Deal Garage, labor on roller	5 00
	—————
Balance	\$17 80
	124 75

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SNOW,
Road Commissioner.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

BRIDGES.

Appropriation	\$200 00
Transferred	46 47
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Total	\$246 47

Expenditures.

MATERIALS.

Westboro Trucking Co., trucking	\$35 00
W. G. Fiske Lumber Co., plank, spikes	211 47
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	\$246 47

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY C. SNOW,
Road Commissioner.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

POLICE REPORT

FROM JANUARY 1 to FEBRUARY 7, 1948.

Police Department Appropriation	\$1,000 00
Payrolls	33 64
Balance	<hr/> \$966 36

Payrolls:

January, submitted February 9	\$23 81
February, submitted March 1	9 83
Total	<hr/> \$33 64

CLIFTON A. TEMPLE,
Acting Police Chief.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT.

1948.

Police Department Appropriation	\$1,000 00
Acting Chief of Police Clifton Temple's	
January Payrolls	\$33 64

Balance on February 7	\$966 36
Transferred from Reserve Fund	269 76

Total Expense from February 7 to	
December 31	\$1,236 12
Total Payrolls—February 7 to	
December 31	\$1,046 13
Total Expenses—Assistance and sup-	
plies	189 99
Total	\$1,236 12

Total Expense in 1948	\$1,269 76

ASSISTANCE AND SUPPLIES.

Benoit's Taxi, services	\$4 50
George G. Newton, dog adv.	3 84
Earl G. Crockett, police books	2 50
Ruth L. Nichols, services	2 00
Charles Southland, painting safety lines	79 50
S. H. Reese—Taxi badges	26 20
W. S. Darley, badges and supplies	26 32
Police Telephone	45 13
Total	\$189 99

Respectfully submitted,
 DANIEL H. BATES,
 Acting Chief of Police.

**TOTAL AMOUNTS RECEIVED BY EACH OF THE
FOLLOWING POLICE OFFICERS.**

Daniel H. Bates, Acting Chief	\$275 00
Alvin P. Nichols	150 55
Joseph P. Bibeau	126 70
Benjamin E. Swift	110 67
Arthur F. Bartlett	80 07
Eugene A. Closson	91 42
Clifton A. Temple	66 35
Edward L. Orff	53 28
Oscar K. Bates	27 81
Eugene Bissonnette	26 10
J. Harry Shears	23 40
Francis Carboneau	11 70
Edmund Benoit	2 25
Alanson Varney	83
Total	\$1,046 13

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL H. BATES,
Acting Chief of Police.

SUMMARIZED REPORT.

Accidents investigated	21
Assistance to Fire Chief	4
Assistance to outside Police	24
Assistance to distressed persons	4
Breaking and entering reports investigated	2
Complaints investigated	66
Commitments to State Hospitals	4
Cruising duty	855 miles
Disturbances quelled	12
Destruction of property investigated	7
Lost persons found	5
Larceny cases investigated	8
Licenses recommended suspended	2

Licenses recommended restored	6
Stolen cars recovered	1
Messages delivered	5
Traffic duty	490 hours
Transfers of motor vehicles recorded	138

Respectfully submitted,
 DANIEL H. BATES,
 Acting Chief of Police.

COURT CASES.

Assault and Battery	1
Drunkenness	2
Larceny	1

Respectfully submitted,
 DANIEL H. BATES,
 Acting Chief of Police.

SUMMARIZED REPORT OF REGISTRATION
 OF BICYCLES, 1948.

Bicycles registered according to Law	64
Turned over to Town Treasurer Leo Murphy	\$16 00
Taxi permits issued to operators	15
Badges issued to operators	14
Money received and turned over to Town Treasurer	\$17 50

Respectfully submitted,
 DANIEL H. BATES,
 Acting Chief of Police.

I have examined this report and find it correct.
 ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
 Auditor.

BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT.

1948.

Appropriation	\$1,600 00
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Expenditures:

Care of Patients	\$549 00
Health, General	169 70
District Nursing Association	550 00
Town Dump	281 50
Total	\$1,550 20

CARE OF PATIENTS.

Paid to:

Worcester County Sanatorium	\$549 00
Unexpended Balance	1 00
	\$550 00

DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION.

Paid to:

Leonard P. Rand, President	
District Nursing Association	\$550 00
	\$550 00

TOWN DUMP.

Paid to:

Edmund Benoit, caretaker	\$250 00
Henry J. Poirier, gravel	31 50
Unexpended Balance	18 50
	\$300 00

HEALTH, GENERAL.

Paid to:

District Nursing Association,	
Transportation to West Boylston	\$54 00
Henry J. Poirier, labor and pump	4 00
Joseph Bibeau, dog disposal	1 00
Charlescraft Press	1 15
J. Harry Shears, dog disposal	1 80
S. Alden Guild, M. D. service	4 00
B. F. McKernan, M. D. birth return	25
F. E. Williams & Son, death returns	2 25
J. F. Edwards, death return	25
J. F. Sargeant, death returns	75
I. W. Harper, death return	25
Harry Usher, Milk Inspector's salary	50 00
Ernest B. Porter, clerk	50 00
Unexpended Balance	30 30

	\$200 00

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES REPORTED IN 1948.

Chicken Pox	18
Dog Bite	6
Pneumonia, Lobar	1
Mumps	8
Measles	3
Septic Sore Throat	1
Whooping Cough	1

Total Cases	38

Respectfully submitted,

ERNEST B. PORTER,
Clerk.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

REPORT OF TOWN COUNSEL.

December 31, 1948.

TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN, TOWN OF UPTON:

As Council for the Town, I submit my ninth annual report.

In 1947, Chapter 143 of the General Laws was amended by inserting a section after Section 3H, known as Section 3I. Briefly, the amendment is an act to provide regulations for the prevention of fire and the preservation of life, health and morals in buildings used for dwelling purposes and to provide for alternatives to the requirements of ordinances, by-laws or regulations relative to the construction, alteration, repair, use or occupancy of such buildings. The amendment in part provides that the Clerk of each town shall forward to the Board of Standards (a department of the Commonwealth) such ordinances and by-laws as relate to building, construction, alterations, repairs, and use or occupancy of such buildings. The Town of Upton has no such ordinances or by-laws, nor has it passed any such by-laws, although it is the opinion of many that such ordinances, by-laws or restrictions are necessary. Under the above amendment the Board of Standards will file with the State Secretary and with the Town Clerk, suggested regulations for the Town of Upton. The regulations however shall not become effective in Upton unless accepted by the Town by vote. I place particular emphasis upon this section since at a meeting of the Selectmen the matter was discussed and the feeling of the meeting was that building regulations in Upton would undoubtedly improve the general character of the town. The Town at a future meeting will be duly informed of the proposed regulations and at that time be afforded time for consideration.

A complete and detailed set of traffic regulations were drawn by the counsel under direction of the Selectmen, which regulations include the approval of stop signs at Mendon and Pleasant and Warren and School Streets. These regulations have been adopted by the Selectmen and are now with the Department of Public Works awaiting approval.

There is pending with the Worcester County Superior Court a land damage case for taking of land for highway purposes. This case is brought by Emale Newton against the Town.

Written and oral opinions were rendered to the Selectmen, concerning liquor licenses, laying out of public ways, snow removal from public ways, and other varied matters, as were opinions rendered to the Tax Collector, Board of Public Welfare, School Department, Assessors, and Town Treasurer.

An analysis of holdings of the Hartford-Connecticut Trust Company in its Custodian Account for the Town of Upton under the Trust Estate of Ella W. Risteen indicates values as of July 13, 1948 at \$77,269.00. Assets of the account are the same as submitted in previous reports, and values depend upon the market as far as 44.5% of the fund is concerned.

Negotiations for the transfer of the Snow Mill property to the Town were completed with a clear title now in the Town.

I am glad to have had this opportunity to be of service and thank the townspeople and officials for cooperation received.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY C. WALKER,

Town Counsel.

**REPORT OF THE
LAKEVIEW CEMETERY COMMISSION.**

Total cash received for care of lots	\$76 00
Total cash received for burials	739 00
Total cash received for foundations, etc.	143 25
Total cash received for sale of lots	180 00
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	\$1,138 25

Legacies received for Perpetual Care:

Shirley A. Kinsley	\$50 00
Edward L. Prentiss	50 00
Estate of Annie J. Fiske	75 00
Fred L. and Reginald L. Fales, Lot C18	50 00
Reginald L. Fales, Lot 654	50 00
Carl R. Clark, Lot 773-4	100 00
Cecelia Moroney, Lot 599	50 00
Cecelia Moroney, Lot 613	50 00
Fritz Cederlund, Lot C1	50 00
Estate of Walter Stearns, Lot C27	50 00
George Harback	75 00
Carl Swanson, Lot C12	50 00
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	\$700 00

Total amount of Legacy Fund end 1947	\$18,435 00
Total amount of Legacy Fund end 1948	19,135 00

Total amount cash received for sale and care	1,838 25
Total amount cash paid to Town Treasurer, Leo Murphy	1,838 25

General Appropriation	\$2,650 00
Transfer from Reserve Fund	154 07
Total	\$2,804 07

Payroll issued on Interest from Legacy Fund:

Charles Erickson, Supt., labor	\$165 00
Clinton Morse, labor	184 30
Ralph Thompson, labor	62 90
Total Expenditures	\$362 20

Charles Erickson, Supt., labor	\$941 00
Clinton Morse, labor	766 70
Donald Marshall labor	20 40
Fred Sadler, labor	50 15
Ralph Thompson, labor	333 20
Earl Erickson, labor	13 60
Richard Orff, labor	51 00
Pierre Benoit, Jr., labor	56 25
Henry Wood, labor	31 00
Cahill's, supplies	3 76
C. B. Dodge Co., weed killer	13 27
Huff Machine Works, sharpen mowers	12 50
Charles Erickson, use of truck	15 50
W. G. Fiske Co., supplies	30 45
Silcraft Corp., 1 power mower	175 00
Silcraft Corp., supplies	9 75
Scholl's Garage, gas and repair mower	4 67
Henry G. Atwood, envelopes, billheads	8 00
W. G. Fiske, shingles for tool house	42 60
Carl Swanson, 3 loads gravel	6 00
Scholl's Garage, gas, oil, repair mower	22 10
Edward Henderson, shingling, repair tool house	48 00
Silcraft Corp., power mower motor and labor	88 65

Scholl's Garage, parts and labor for	
mowers	8 85
Henry J. Poirier, labor	43 00
Arthur Page, stamps, stenographer	6 41
Elmer Butterfield, stamps	2 26
Total Expenditures	\$2,804 07

Oiling and Grading Drives:

Appropriation	\$500 00
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Henry J. Poirier, labor	\$36 00
Truck	37 50
Sand	9 00
Asphalt	117 00
Total Expenditures	\$199 50
Unexpended Balance	300 50

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR J. PAGE, Treasurer,
NORMAN E. WALKER, Chairman,
ELMER F. BUTTERFIELD.

I have examined these reports and find them correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

FIRE ENGINEERS' REPORT.

1948.

Appropriation	\$1,900 00
Transferred	810 95
Total	\$2,710 95

Expenditures:

New England Tel. Co., telephone	\$43 11
Worcester Sub. Elec. Co., power	30 25
Square Deal Garage, gas, oil, parts	111 92
Blair Motor Co., gas	2 10
Edward Rock, cheese cloth	63
Charles Clougherty, oxygen refills	8 74
Walter Stank, janitor	72 00
Briggs Filling Station, gas	1 62
Thomas Francis, oil permits and labor	52 90
Scholl's Garage, gas	4 40
Community Stores, towels, soda, food	11 88
Paul McDonnell, labor	3 60
Ann Ward, sounding siren	25 00
Orrin Francis, labor	2 70
Bobbett's Service Shop, gas, oil, battery	42 97
Robert Stuart, fire duty	5 40
W. G. Fiske, paint, brush	2 49
Farrar Company, supplies	100 85
Harold Hopkins, labor and bulbs	8 15
Robert Prentiss, fire duty	5 40
Salaries of firemen and engineers, (regular May payroll)	1,204 53

Salaries of firemen and engineers, (special December payroll)	970 31
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	\$2,710 95

Alarms	12
Still Alarms	5
Truck Fires	2
Auto Fires	3
Chimney Fires	6
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Special Appropriation for Hose	\$300 00
Paid to:	
James A. Coffin, 850 ft. 2½" Hose	300 00
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Special Appropriation for Coats, Helmets, Boots	500 00
Paid to:	
Farrar Company, Coats, Mittens, Boots	\$225 00
Farrar Company, 22 Helmets	275 00
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	\$500 00

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

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

TOWN AMBULANCE REPORT.

1948.

Appropriation	\$250 00
Transferred	118 77
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Total	\$368 77

Expenditures:

Square Deal Garage, gas, oil, chains	\$25 74
Sherman's Laundry, laundry	13 10
Bobbett's Service Shop, gas, oil, battery	62 82
West Upton Garage, parts and labor	40 00
W. G. Fiske, varnish	83
Scholls' Garage, battery	14 50
Ernest Porter, services	3 48
Robert Stuart, services	15 51
Harold Francis, services	8 31
Walter Stank, services	79 46
Alfred Aldrich, services	3 60
Paul McDonnell, services	27 17
Donald Aldrich, services	3 60
Orrin Francis, services	23 40
Robert Prentiss, services	10 35
Thomas Francis, services	18 45
William Prentiss, services	7 20
Paul Boucher, services	1 80
David Aldrich, services	4 05
Edward Rock, services	1 35
Donald Wellman, services	4 05

	\$368 77

Number of Calls	50
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GEORGE N. O. POIRIER,
 THOMAS L. FRANCIS,
 WILLIAM A. PRENTISS,

Board of Fire Engineers.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
 Auditor.

FOREST FIRE WARDEN'S REPORT.

1948.

FORESTRY HOSE.

Appropriation	\$343 00
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Paid to:

Quaker Rubber Corporation,	
700 ft. Forestry Hose	343 00

FOREST FIRE DEPT.

Receipts:

Appropriation	\$500 00
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Expenditures:

19 Forest Fires	\$193 18
Farrar Co., supplies	14 30
Charles C. Clougherty Co., supplies	96 86
Square Deal Garage, gas	4 63
Fiske Lumber Co., paint and supplies	11 13
H. E. Erickson, gas, oil and supplies	61 69
Rudolph Scholl, repairs and supplies	9 85
Walter Stank, issuing fire permits and posting notices	25 00
Walter Stank, trip to Worcester and in- vestigating fires	7 00
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Unexpended Balance	\$423 64
	76 36
Number of fire calls	19
Number of false alarms	5

Number of permits issued	897
Number of acres burned	300
Number of permit fires	3
Number of incinerator fires	6

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER STANK,

Forest Fire Warden.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,

Auditor.

TREE WARDEN'S REPORT.

Upton, Mass., January 3, 1949.

Hereby submitting my report of Tree Warden for 1948.

Appropriation	\$200 00
Transferred from Reserve Fund	17 70
Total	\$217 70

Paid to:

E. Benoit, labor 154½ hrs., @ \$1.00	\$154 50
E. Benoit, truck 34 hrs., @ \$1.85	62 90
E. Benoit tel. calls 3 @ .10	30
Total	\$217 70

Balance, None.

Respectfully submitted,

E. BENOIT,
Tree Warden.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

REPORT OF LOCAL SUPERINTENDENT FOR
SUPPRESSING THE GYPSY MOTH.

Upton, Mass., January 3, 1949.

Mr. Ashley M. Perkins, Auditor.

Hereby submitting my report on the Gypsy Moth Suppression for the year 1948.

Appropriation	\$200 00
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Paid to:

E. Benoit, 7 gals. Creosote @ .90	\$6 30
E. Benoit, 150 hrs. labor @ \$1.00	150 00
E. Benoit, 22 hrs. truck @ \$1.85	40 70
Total	\$197 00

As of this date Balance	\$3 00
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Respectfully submitted,

E. BENOIT,

Supt. of Gypsy Moth Dept.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

REPORT OF
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

1 Platform Scale	@ \$1 00	\$1 00
13 Counter Scales	@ 50	6 50
3 Counter Scales	@ 10	30
1 Beam Scale	@ 50	50
9 Spring Scales	@ 10	90
7 Computing Scales	@ 10	70
1 Personal Scale	@ 50	50
1 Prescription Scale	@ 10	10
51 Avoirdupois Weights	@ 03	1 53
13 Apothecary Weights	@ 03	39
11 Metric Weights	@ 03	33
37 Liquid Measures	@ 03	1 11
18 Meters to 1 inch inlet	@ 50	9 00
12 Grease Meters	@ 50	6 00
6 Quantity Measures on Pumps	@ 10	60
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		\$29 46

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. TUTTLE,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,

Auditor.

**BOARD OF
PUBLIC WELFARE REPORT.**

**ADMINISTRATION OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1948.**

Balance from 1947	\$419 16
Town Appropriation	300 00
Federal Grant	200 88
Total Available	<hr/> \$920 04
Expended	701 99
Janet Caton, Jr., Clerk	\$480 00
Typewriter, Royal Typewriter Co.	131 75
Supplies, telephone, postage and trans- portation	<hr/> 90 24
Balance carried to 1949	218 05

AMOUNTS DUE THE TOWN OF UPTON.

City of Boston (1947)	\$44 02
Town of East Hampton (1947)	207 12
City of Boston	69 58
Town of East Hampton	123 67
City of Malden	103 10
Town of Northbridge	167 64
Town of Westboro	121 70
Town of Milford	348 19

City of Worcester	300 48
Total	<u>\$1,485 50</u>

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

I have examined this report and find it correct.
 ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
 Auditor.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE REPORT
 FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1948.

Town Appropriation	\$36,500 00
Federal Grants	24,194 96
Transfer from Reserve Fund	360 75
Total	\$61,055 71

Expended	61,055 71
Cash Paid to Aid	\$56,450 58
Hospitals, Doctors and Nurses	3,270 55
Burials	250 00
Paid Cities and Towns	1,084 58
Balance	\$61,055 71

Balance	00
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Persons Aided in this Report	94
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AMOUNTS RECEIVED
 FROM STATE, CITIES AND TOWNS.

Received from State (Meal Tax)	\$1,467 26
Received from State	23,883 58
Received from City of Malden	18 83

Received from Town of Northbridge	132 60
Received from Town of Milford	187 38
Received from Town of Westboro	72 53
Received from City of Worcester	289 25
Total	\$26,051 43

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

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
 Auditor.

EXPENSES OF AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN
 FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1948.

Appropriation of the Town of Upton	\$4,350 00
Federal Grants Received	1,116 00
Total Available	\$5,466 00

To Cash Paid	5,028 96
Balance	\$437 04

Received from the State Department of Public Welfare, Division of Aid to Dependent Children	\$1,649 29
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Persons aided in this report	9
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CHARLES F. CATON,
 CHARLES A. DAVIS,
 ERNEST I. BENTLEY,
 Board of Public Welfare.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

EXPENSES OF GENERAL RELIEF
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1948.

Appropriation of the Town of Upton	\$5,000 00
Expended	\$3,242 07
Board	1,281 90
Cash	799 59
Groceries	328 24
Opening Graves and Burials	130 00
Doctor and Dentist Services	583 84
Hospital Cases	118 50
	—————
Balance	\$3,242 07
Reimbursement for aid rendered	1,757 93
Persons aided in this report	245 70
	14

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

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit Report as Inspector of Animals for year ending December 31, 1948.

I find 47 places where cattle are kept. Cattle all appear healthy and barns are kept clean.

157 Cows.
48 Young Stock.
5 Bulls.
77 Swine.
49 Sheep.
19 Goats.
48 Horses.
10 Dog bites quarantined and released.

Respectfully submitted,
ARTHUR W. MORRISON,
Inspector of Animals.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:—

I hereby submit the report of the Finance Committee for the Year 1948.

Number of meetings held	16
Number of transfers made	33
Snow Removal	\$427 43
Police Department	269 76
Town Ambulance	118 77
Veterans' Relief	190 39
Assessors	116 36
Fire Department	*810 95
Cemeteries	154 07
Town Halls and Repairs	41 75
Memorial Markers	15 12
Fire Alarm System	50 00
Insurance	87 58
Industrial Schools	12 92
Tree Warden	17 70
Old Age Assistance	360 75
Bridges	46 47
Town Officers and Expenses	110 35
Parks and Fields	8 16
Total	\$2,836 53
Reserve Fund	\$3,000 00

Total amount of transfers	2,836 58
Balance	\$161 47

* A correction that had existed for many years.

Respectfully submitted,
HARRISON E. BATES,
Clerk.

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER.

Dogs destroyed	12
Dogs injured by motor vehicles	2
Dogs killed by motor vehicles	2
Dog complaints	15
Dogs returned to owners	3
Court cases	2

Respectfully submitted,
JOSEPH P. BIBEAU,
Dog Officer.

REPORT OF AUDITOR
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1948.

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

The books and accounts of the Town Treasurer I have examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts I have checked wherever possible with the sources from which money was paid to the Town Treasurer. The payments were checked with the orders authorizing the disbursement of town funds. I have verified the cash balance on hand as of December 31, 1948, by a reconciliation of the accounts with the statements furnished by the banks.

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

Respectfully submitted,
ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

REPORT OF AUDITOR

State House, Boston, April 27, 1948.

To the Board of Selectmen

Dr. Earl G. Crockett, Chairman
Upton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Upton for the period from September 24, 1946 to December 8, 1947, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

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

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

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Upton for the period from September 24, 1946, the date of the previous audit, to December 8, 1947, and report thereon as follows:

The records of financial transactions of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection were examined, checked, and verified by comparison with the records in the treasurer's office, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on December 8, 1947.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The recorded receipts were compared with the records of the several departments collecting money for the town and with the other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were checked with the approved orders of the selectmen authorizing the treasurer to disburse town funds.

The treasurer's cash book additions were verified throughout for the period of the audit, and the cash balance on December 8, 1947 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank of deposit and by examination of a savings bank book.

The tax title deeds on hand were examined, the amounts transferred from the 1947 tax levy were verified, and the tax titles as listed were compared with the records at the Registry of Deeds.

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

It was noted that the selectmen entered into an agreement with a trust company doing business outside the Commonwealth which provides that the trust company act as custodian of securities representing the investments of the Ella W. Risteen Trust Fund bequeathed to the town. Attention in

this connection is called to Section 35, Chapter 41, General Laws, which provides, in part, that the treasurer shall receive and take charge of all money belonging to the town and that the bond required of the treasurer shall cover his duties with respect to trust funds which are in his custody by virtue of his office.

The books and accounts of the tax collector were examined and checked. The commitments were compared with the warrants issued by the board of assessors, the abatements as recorded were checked with the assessors' records of abatements granted, the recorded collections were checked with the payments to the treasurer as recorded on the treasurer's cash book, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved.

The outstanding accounts were verified by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

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

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

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

Appended to this report, in addition to the balance sheet, are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's and the collector's cash, summaries of the tax, motor vehicle and

trailer excise, tax title, and departmental accounts, as well as tables showing the transactions and condition of the trust and investment funds.

For the cooperation extended by the various town officials during the process of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,
Assistant Director of Accounts.

HBD: EV

TOWN OF UPTON

Balance Sheet — December 8, 1947

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash:

General	\$74,611 89
Surplus War Bonus and	
Real Estate Fund	3,255 70
	—————
	\$77,867 59

Accounts Receivable:

Taxes:

Levy of 1946	\$530 49
Levy of 1947	15,468 91
	—————
	\$15,999 40

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:

Levy of 1947	719 25
Tax Titles	729 86
Tax Possessions	581 39

Departmental:

Aid to Dependent Children	\$222 14
Old Age Assistance	35 00
Veterans' Benefits	256 45
Cemetery	330 00
	843 59

State Aid to Highways:

Chapter 81	\$9,705 19
Chapter 90, Maintenance	450 00
Chapter 90, Construction,	
Mendon Road Bridge	6,000 00
Chapter 90, Construction,	
West River Bridge	158 12
County Aid to Highways:	
Chapter 90, Maintenance	450 00
Chapter 90, Construction,	
Mendon Road Bridge	3,000 00
Chapter 90, Construction,	
West River Bridge	79 06
	\$19,842 37

Overdrawn Accounts:

Ella W. Ristein Trust Fund Income	\$715 40
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	
Fund Income	44 25
Aid to Dependent Children	15 39
	\$775 04
Revenue Deficit	7,125 18
	\$124,484 12

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Surplus War Bonus and Real Estate Fund	\$3,255 70
Highway Machinery Fund	4 60
Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves Fund	380 00

Overestimates 1947:

State Parks and Reservations	
Assessment	\$32 67
County Tax	332 10

	\$364 77

Federal Grants:

Old Age Assistance, Administration	393 84
Sale of Town Infirmary Fund	700 00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds Income	14
Contribution—Purchase of Inhalator	6 50
Fire Loss Reimbursement—High School	27,000 00
Appropriation Balances	60,028 10
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	7,602 01

Overlays Reserved for Abatements:

Levy of 1946	\$530 49
Levy of 1947	1,506 01

	\$2,036 50

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	\$719 25
Tax Title and Possession	1,311 75
Departmental	843 59
Aid to Highways	19,842 37

	\$22,716 96

	\$124,484 12

TRUST AND INVESTMENT FUNDS

Trust and Investment Funds,	
Cash and Securities	\$148,008 25
George W. Knowlton Charity Fund	\$5,894 04
Knowlton School Fund	9 22

Charlotte A. Batchelor School Fund	5,000 00
Ella W. Risteen School Fund	1,030 30
Charlotte A. Batchelor Library Fund	5,000 00
Dr. Carpenter Library Fund	1,000 00
Memorial Fund of Upton	209 93
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	18,485 00
Workmen's Compensation Insurance Fund	2,118 70
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	10,753 75
Ella W. Risteen Fund Principal	78,415 95

Ella W. Risteen Fund Income:

Public Welfare	\$3,717 06
School	3,815 78
Town Improvements	4,086 34
	————— \$11,619 18

C. A. Batchelor and G. W. Knowlton

School Fund	8,472 18
	—————
	\$148 008 25

TOWN LIBRARY.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

RESOURCES.

Town Appropriation and Carpenter Fund	\$875 00
Charlotte A. Batchelor Fund	100 00
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	\$975 00

EXPENDITURES.

Books	\$340 66
Magazines	74 45
Salaries	499 00
Supplies	25 72
Extras	30 25
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	\$970 08
Unexpended balance	\$4 92

Respectfully submitted,

JENNIE H. CAPEN,
Treasurer, Library Trustees.

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE UPTON LIBRARY:—

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

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

The following changes were made on the list of magazines: American Home was discontinued. School Arts was added.

Gifts of books have been received from the George L. Wood Post, 5594, Veterans' of Foreign Wars, General Electric Co., Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, and Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.

A story hour for children from Grades 1 to 3 (inclusive) was held during July and August under the direction of Mrs. Clarence E. Forsberg. This proved to be a success and the stories were greatly enjoyed by the children.

The librarian spent a most profitable week at the Institute for Small Libraries which was held at Simmons College last July. Mrs. B. C. Crooker very kindly took charge of the library during that time.

Miss V. Genevieve Boisclair, general secretary of the State Division of Public Libraries visited the library three days in August for the purpose of weeding out obsolete books. This has resulted in giving much needed space on the shelves for new books.

The newly painted walls and ceiling with the new shades have greatly improved the appearance of the library.

Children's Book Week in November was observed by a display of new books. Copies of the 1948 Poster with the slogan "Books tell the Story" were sent to the schools and book marks were given out.

To Miss Eleanor Tornwall I express my sincere thanks for her assistance during the first quarter of the year.

I wish at this time to express my appreciation to the Trustees for their generous help and advice.

Respectfully submitted,
BERTHA P. FROST,
Librarian.

LIBRARY STATISTICS.

	1947	1948
Days library open	104	101

Circulation:

Volumes of fiction	4,576	5,341
Volumes of non-fiction	2,190	1,825
Children's books	2,003	2,726
Periodicals	1,236	1,435
 Total circulation	10,005	11,327

Volumes added during 1948:

By gift	7
By purchase	167
 174	

Fines collected on over-due books	\$2 32
Old paper sold	2 21
Amount paid to Town Treasurer	— \$4 53

LIBRARY HOURS—Wednesdays and Saturdays 3 to 9 P. M.

PERIODICALS RECEIVED REGULARLY.

(*—Indicates a gift.)

American Girl	Nature Magazine
American Magazine.	Parents' Magazine
Antiques	Popular Mechanics
Atlantic Monthly	Popular Science
Better Homes and Gardens	Readers' Digest
Book-of-the-Month	Saturday Evening Post
Club News*	Saturday Review
Boy's Life	of Literature
Child Life	Scientific American
Cosmopolitan	Seventeen
Good Housekeeping	Specialty Salesman*
Harpers Magazine	Time
Home Craftsman	Travel
Jack and Jill	Wilson Library Bulletin
Ladies' Home Journal	Worcester Art Museum
Life	Bulletin*
National Geographic	Worcester County Farmer*
National Grange Monthly*	

BOOKS ADDED DURING THE YEAR

1948.

(*—Indicates a gift.)

CLASSIFIED BOOKS.

SCIENCE AND ART.

Bauer, W. W.	Stop annoying your children
Bean, John	Yankee Auctioneer
Carnagie, Dale	How to stop worrying and start living
Case, Victoria & Robert	We called it culture
Durant, John	Dodgers
Frey, Albert R.	Dictionary of Numismatic names
*Frey, John W. & Ide, H. Chandler	History of the Petroleum Administra- tion for war
*Goldenweiser, E. A.	Federal reserve system
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Jay, John	Skiing the Americas
Lawton, George	Aging successfully
Leet, Don L.	Causes of catastrophe
*Miller, John A.	Men and volts at war
Morehead, Albert	Modern Hoyle
Van Doren, Carl	Great Rehearsal
Welles, Sumner	We need not fail

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Besier, Rudolf	Barretts of Wimpole Street
Brown, John Mason	Seeing more things
Pretorius, Major P. J.	Jungle Man
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Gilberg, Aage	Eskimo doctor
Guild, Caroline	Rainbow in Tahiti
Hamlin, Helen	Pine, potatoes and people
Minter, John Easter	Charges
Mirsky, Jeannette	To the Artic
Nesbit, Henrietta	White House diary
Woodbury, George	John Goffe's mill

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Chapman	An explorer comes home
Fulor, Miller Rene	Saints that moved the world
Hagedorn, Hermann	Prophet in the wilderness
Putnam, George	
Palmer	Mariner of the North
White, W. L.	Land of milk and honey

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Collier, John	Indians of the Americas
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Dwight D.	Crusade in Europe
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Austen, Jane	Pride and Prejudice (replacement)
Baldwin, Faith	They who love
Bassett, Sara Ware	Within the harbor
Bellaman, Henry & Katherine	Parris Mitchell of Kings Row
Berlin, Ellin	Lace curtain
Bosworth, Allan	Bury me not
Bramhall, Marion	Murder is an evil business
Brand, Christianna	Death of Jezebel
Brown, Joe David	Stars in my crown
Buck, Pearl	Peony
Bushnell, Adelyn	Rock Haven
Caldwell, Taylor	Melissa
Campbell, Grace	Fresh wind blowing
Carter, George Goldsmith	Smacksmen
Charteris, Leslie	Call for the Saint
Chase, Virginia	Discovery
Christie, Agatha	There is a tide
Colt, Clem	Saddle Bow Slim
Collins, Norman	Black Ivory
Crabb, Alfred Leland	Home to the Hermitage
Cronin, A. J.	Shannon's way
Dawson, Peter	Royal Gorge
Deasy, Mary	Hour of Spring
Dickens, Charles	Tale of two cities (replacement)

Doner, Mary F.	Ravenswood
Douglas, Lloyd C.	Big Fisherman
Ermine, Will	Last of the long horns
Field, Peter	Return to Powder Valley
Fischer, Markoosha	Nasarovs
Forbes, Esther	Running of the tide
Forbes, Kathryn	Transfer Point
Forster, Jan	Echo my tears
Franken, Rose	Marriage of Claudia
Goudge, Elizabeth	Pilgrim's Inn
Grey, Zane	Rouge river feud
Hancock, Lucy	Special nurse
Hill, G. L. & R. L.	Mary Arden
Hobart, Alice Tisdale	Cleft rock
Knight, Brigid	Valiant lady
Knight, Kathleen	
Moore	Birds of ill omen
Kane, Harnett	Bride of fortune
Lancaster, Bruce	No bugles tonight
Lustgarten, Edgar	One more unfortunate
Mailer, Norman	Naked and the dead
Manning, Roy	Renegade ranch
Marsh, Ngaio	Final curtain
Mason, F. Van Wyck	Eagle in the sky
McCrone, Guy	Red plush
Miller, Helen Topping	Flame vine
Nelson, Hugh L.	Fountain of death
Newland, N. M.	Dunn of the Double D
Noble, Hollister	Woman with a sword
North, Sterling	So dear to my heart
Pearce, Dick	Desert steel
Porter, Jane	Scottish chiefs
Rendina, L. C.	Roommates
Rhinehart,	
Mary Roberts	Light in the window
Seager, Allen	Inheritance

Seton, Anya	Hearth and eagle
Sharp, Margery	Foolish gentlewoman
Shaw, Irwin	Young lions
Shute, Nevil	No highway
Siller, Van	Paul's apartment
Slaughter, Frank G.	Sangaree
Smith, Dodie	I capture the castle
Steinbeck, John	The pearl
Stevens, Louis	Days of promise
Sumner, Cid Ricketts	Tommy out of time
Thane, Elswyth	Kissing kin
Thirkell, Angela	Private enterprise
Van De Water, Frederic, F.	Reluctant rebel
West, Tom	Powder smoke pay off
White, Nelia Gardner	No trumpet before him
Wilder, Thornton	Ides of March
Young, Agatha	Light in the sky
Young, Gordon	Red Clark to the rescue

CHILDREN'S BOOKS.

Aulaire, Ingri & Edgar d'	Nils
Bendick, Jeanne	Electronics for young people
Bosworth, Allan	Sancho of the long, long horns
Burgess, Thornton W.	Mother West Wind "Where" Stories
Carroll, Lewis	Alice in Wonderland
Caudill, Rebecca	Happy little family
Coatsworth, Elizabeth	House of the swan
Crouse, William	Understanding Science
Davis, Lavinia	Melody, Mutton and Sam
Douglas, Emily T.	Appleseed Farm
Farley, Walter	Son of the black stallion
Flack, Marjorie	Boats on the river
Franklin, George C.	Monte
Gramatky, Hardy	Creeper's Jeep

Gramatky, Hardy	Little Toot
Gregg, Alan	Flying wing mystery
Hale, Lucretia P.	Peterkin papers
Harris, Laura	Heydays and Holidays
Henry, Marguerite &	
Dennis, Wesley	Benjamin West and his cat Grimalkin
Hogan, Inez	Peter Platypuss
Johnson, Eleanor M.	Weekley reader parade
Jonathan, Norton	Guide book for the young man about town
Knight, Clayton	Secret of the buried tomb
Lambert, Janet	Miss Tippy
Laird, Helene	Nancy keeps house
Lehski, Lois	Mr. and Mrs. Noah
Lenski, Lois	Boom town boy
Lovelace, M. H.	Betsy and Joe
Malkus, Alida	Constancia Lona
McCloskey, Robert	Blueberries for Sal
Meadowcroft, Enid	
La Monte	First year
Meyer, Jerome S.	Picture book of the weather
Orton, Helen F.	Mystery up the winding stair
Schneider, Nina	While Susie sleeps
Sereky, Kate	Chestry Oak
Snow, Dorothea	Eli Whitney, Boy mechanic
Stevenson, Augusta	Anthony Wayne, Daring boy
Tresselt, Alvin	White snow, Bright snow
Tunis, John R.	Highpockets
Twain, Mark	Adventures of Tom Sawyer
Twain, Mark	Adventures of Huckleberry Finn
White, Anne Terry	Lost worlds
Widdemer, Mabel C.	Wishing star
Witty, Paul &	You and the Constitution of
Kohler, Julilly	the United States

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

Superintendent of Schools

OF THE

TOWN OF UPTON

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1948

ORGANIZATION.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

GEORGE E. NYDAM, Chairman, Term expires 1949.
MRS. ELSIE J. CRAIB, Secretary, Term expires 1951.
DONALD B. JOHNSON, Term expires 1950.

SUPERINTENDENT.

RALPH C. STURKE, Grafton, Massachusetts.
Tel. Residence: 2097 Office: 527, Grafton Town Hall.

CLERK.

RUTH E. SCOTT, Grafton.
Tel. Residence, 380—Office, 527.

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN.

BERNARD F. McKERNAN, M. D., Upton, Massachusetts.
Tel. 248.

SCHOOL NURSE.

MRS. RUTH L. NICHOLS, R. N., Upton, Massachusetts,
Tel. 89.

WORKING CERTIFICATES.

Working Cards may be obtained from Mr. Frank Ogden, or at the Superintendent's Office, Grafton Town Hall. Office hours are from 8.00 A. M. to 12.00 M. and from 1.30 P. M. to 5.00 P. M. on week days except Saturdays and Holidays. Saturdays the office opens at 8.00 A. M. and closes at 12.00 M.

TEACHERS IN SERVICE DECEMBER 31, 1948.

School	Teachers	Training	Year Appointed
KNOWLTON SCHOOL:	Irene C. Williams (Mrs.) Betty D. Sabin (Mrs.) Lora D. Dearth (Mrs.) Mary A. Dineen	Framingham Teachers College Ark. State Col., Univ. of Chicago* Farmington, Wellesley* Univ. of Maine	1943 1948 1918 1948
GEORGE S. BALL SCHOOL:	Susan W. Brousseau (Mrs.) Elizabeth H. Brokaw (Mrs.) Teresa J. Trask (Mrs.) Mary E. Greany (Mrs.)	Fitchburg Teachers College Lowell Teachers College Framingham Teachers College Worcester Teachers Col., Columbia Univ.*	1913 1921 1948 1947
MUSIC SUPERVISOR: **	Arlyne M. Marcy	New England Conservatory of Music	1938
ART SUPERVISOR: **	Mary E. Ferrari	Mass. School of Art	1948
HANDWRITING SUPERVISOR: **	W. L. Rinehart		1941
JANITOR AND ATTENDANCE OFFICER:	Benjamin C. Crooker		

*—Attended courses at this school.

**—Part time.

Upton, Massachusetts

Voted: To accept the report of the Superintendent of Schools and to adopt the same as the report of the School Committee.

GEORGE NYDAM, Chairman
ELSIE J. CRAIB, Secretary
DONALD JOHNSON

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1949.

Winter Term, seven weeks:

Term begins Monday, January 3.
Term ends Friday, February 18.

Spring Term, seven weeks:

Term begins Monday, February 28.
Term ends Thursday, April 14.

Summer Term, eight weeks:

Term begins Monday, April 25.
Term ends Friday, June 17.

Fall Term, sixteen weeks:

Term begins Wednesday, September 7.
Term ends Friday noon, December 23.

Winter Term, seven Weeks:

Term begins Monday, January 2, 1950.
Term ends Friday, February 17.

HOLIDAYS.

April 15—Good Friday.
May 30—Memorial Day.
October 12—Columbus Day.
November 4—Teachers' Convention.
November 11—Armistice Day.
November 23, at noon for the remainder of
the week—Thanksgiving Recess.

**REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
OF SCHOOLS.**

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE UPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit my fourth annual report on the Public Schools of the Town of Upton.

Schools opened in September with the following enrollment:

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Geo. S. Ball	25	17	18	27	20	...	107
Knowlton	22	22	15	14	18	35	126
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	47	39	33	41	38	35	233
Grades	7	8	9				Vocational
Northbridge							
Jr. High	40	28	34		7		109
Grades	10	11	12				
Grafton High	28	20	17				65
Grand Total							407

PERSONNEL.

In my report of 1946 I directed your attention to a matter which was very serious then and, in my opinion, is equally

serious today. I shall repeat in part two paragraphs contained in that report.

"America is experiencing an acute teacher shortage. . . . The supply does not meet the demand, therefore, teachers are demanding and receiving higher salaries."

"When in competition with larger towns and cities, small towns are at a disadvantage because they generally offer smaller salaries and because teachers are anxious to work in larger systems which furnish greater opportunity for professional advancement. To offset these conditions and to fill vacancies which are bound to occur, we must be prepared to meet or even surpass the salaries of larger surrounding towns. We must face these facts and make provision for meeting them."

In order to be able to hire competent teachers and to keep them after they are hired, we must be in a position to offer them as favorable working conditions and as high a salary as they can get elsewhere.

On October 1, 1948, the average salary for teachers in Massachusetts was \$2,909.00 according to information received from the Research Department of the Massachusetts Teachers' Federation.

On October 1, 1948, the average salary for teachers in Upton was \$2,018.00.

In June 1948, Miss Florence E. Walker, Teacher of Grade I, and Mrs. Ruth C. Goodrich, Teacher of Grade VI, resigned to accept positions at higher salaries in Westboro. Both teachers had given long and faithful service. Miss Walker began teaching in Upton in 1914 and Mrs. Goodrich began in 1922. We were fortunate to secure as replacements for these teachers, Miss Mary A. Dineen for Grade I and Mrs. Betty D. Sabin for Grade VI.

Mrs. Teresa J. Trask was appointed to the position created by the additional room in the Ball School.

Miss Mary E. Ferrari was appointed as Art Supervisor to replace Mr. Albert C. Petitto who resigned.

REPAIRS.

A considerable amount of repair work was necessary during the past year. The following is a partial list of the work accomplished. There were many minor repairs done which are not listed.

KNOWLTON SCHOOL:

Two new ceilings were put up in the Knowlton School.
Two rooms in the Knowlton School were painted.
The boys' urinal was repaired to permit proper drainage.
The furnace and smoke pipes were repaired to prevent fumes from escaping into the classrooms.
Two drinking fountains and wash bowls were installed in two classrooms.
Minor repairs on roof.

GEORGE S. BALL SCHOOL:

Ball School was painted on outside.
A basement room was remodelled into a classroom.
Steps on outside fire escape were repaired.
New duo-roll shades were installed in each classroom.
Thirty new universal type desk and seat combinations, previously ordered to replace old ones, were used to equip the room in the Ball School basement.

New table desks and chairs have been ordered to replace those now in use in Grade I in both the Knowlton and Ball Schools.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That all rooms in the Ball building be painted.
2. That the exterior of the Knowlton School be painted.
3. That remaining two rooms in Knowlton School be painted.
4. That the teachers' room in both buildings be re-decorated.
5. That we continue to replace old and obsolete furniture with new until all rooms in both buildings are properly equipped.
6. That we continue to improve the play areas wherever possible.
7. There are many times during the school year that the home and the school wish to communicate. There are many times when an emergency requires the teachers to contact the school nurse, the school physician, or the superintendent. This cannot be done without going to some neighbor's house to "call". I am, therefore, recommending that a telephone be installed in each building for the purpose of expediting necessary school business and as a protection for our boys and girls in case of an emergency.

TRANSPORTATION.

During the past year the school committee has had numerous requests to provide special transportation for pupils. The committee has considered carefully every request and had made an earnest effort to adjust all bus routes to satisfy as many individuals as possible. Next year, with the present enrollment, it will be necessary to have two busses to transport pupils to Grafton High School. At present two taxi cabs have been engaged to transport the excess over one bus load which now attend Grafton High.

Under General Laws, Chapter 40, Section 4, the town has been required to provide transportation for children attending St. Mary's Parochial School in Milford.

Additional busses plus increased service on all the routes will, of course, result in increased costs.

This increase in transportation costs is greatly reduced by state re-imbursement.

HOUSING AND LEGISLATION.

Two acts passed by the Legislature in 1948 which are of considerable importance to all towns in the Commonwealth are:

(1) General Laws Chapter 643. An act relative to school funds and state aid for public schools. The purpose of the law is to promote the equalization of educational opportunities in public schools of the Commonwealth and the equalization of the burden of cost of the school to the respective towns. Under this law, Upton will receive in 1949 approximately \$7,000.00 more in State aid than has been received in the past.

(2) General Laws Chapter 645. An act to encourage the establishment of regional and consolidated public schools and to provide financial assistance to cities and towns in the construction of school buildings. This law expires in 1951. It may or may not be renewed. It is of particular importance to the citizens of Upton since it is necessary that some construction be undertaken very soon to house our pupils.

In December 1944, the Upton High School building burned. This eventually necessitated sending grades seven through twelve out of town to school. Four years have passed. In the meantime the enrollment has increased somewhat in the lower grades. Census figures indicate that this increase in the lower grades will continue for some years. Our problem of housing is, therefore, a problem for the first six as well as for the last six grades.

Building a high school will no longer solve our problems since we already need more elementary classrooms. This year it became necessary to improve a classroom in the basement of the Ball School. We have permission from the State Department of Public Safety to use this room for *one* year. Whether or not this permit will be renewed depends in large measure, I believe, upon what *action* has been taken to provide *suitable* quarters in the near future.

From an educational standpoint it would seem that the wisest program which Upton could adopt would be to start from the "ground up" and build a consolidated elementary school for grades one through eight.

The present buildings are both inadequate in many respects. Many of the facilities considered necessities according to present day concepts of education are completely lacking.

A consolidated school of this type would eliminate sending our smaller people out of town. It could be built with all the facilities which a 20th century type of education requires. It could include an auditorium-gymnasium for community use as well.

There would be many advantages to the consolidation of these two schools, among them being the following:

1. It would promote better instruction.
2. It would permit homogenous grouping of pupils.
3. It would permit assignment of teachers to greater advantage.
4. It would provide better facilities for the elementary school pupils which they do not now have. i. e. as hot lunches, play areas, activity rooms, adequate health facilities, assembly room and many others.

5. It would cut the cost of operation by avoiding duplication of equipment, supplies, heating, etc.

Under legislation mentioned above, this type of consolidated school could be built and the town would receive up to fifty percent of the cost of the project.

I recommend that this proposal be given careful consideration.

The following quotation taken from the report of Dr. Herbert Blair entitled "Report on Upton Schools" states clearly the reason for such a proposal:

"The expense of maintaining a high school in Upton caused a reduction in the amount (of money) available to maintain the elementary school which in turn resulted in a reduced number prepared for, or interested in, entering high as well as reducing the number prepared to do high school work to the satisfaction of their teachers or themselves."

In closing I wish to express my appreciation to the members of the school committee for their counsel, to the teachers for their loyal co-operation, and to all citizens for their support of school policies.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH C. STURKE,

Superintendent of Schools.

REGISTRATION
UPTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

October 1, 1948

School	Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Knowlton	20	25	12	14	18	35	124	
Geo. S. Ball	26	17	17	27	20	....	107	
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Totals	46	42	29	41	38	35	231	
	Grades	7	8	9	10	11	12	Voc.
	Northbridge							
	Jr. High	40	28	34	....	....	7	109
	Grafton High	....	....	....	30	21	17	....
								68
	Grand Total							408

REPORT OF SCHOOL CENSUS

October 1, 1948

Age	5-7	7-14	14-16	Total
Girls	44	98	26	168
Boys	43	95	34	172
	—	—	—	—
Totals	87	193	60	340

Physically Handicapped—5.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC.

As Supervisor of Music, I wish to submit the following report of my Department.

Our daily work goes on as usual with singing, note-reading, singing games and music appreciation. We try to correlate our music with other studies, with life experiences, and now more than ever, with world events. Children are learning that music is more than pretty sound. They are learning that music may be the emotional record of a period of history, the reflection of a famous story or poem, the portrait of a great man, or the voice of a nation speaking.

Above all, it is my wish that the children will take away from their school days a joy in music and enough knowledge of it to enrich their experiences and color their lives.

I am glad to have this opportunity of thanking the superintendent, the school board, and the teachers for their co-operation and interest in the work of this department.

Respectfully submitted,

ARLYNE M. MARCY,

Music Supervisor.

REPORT OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ART.

The following is my first annual report as Supervisor of Art in the Public Schools of Upton.

AIMS—Creative expression and aesthetic enjoyment are fundamentals of art education. The child interprets the things with which he is familiar—an individual response to his environment expressed through line, color, form, dark and light, and texture. Technical skills on an adult standard are not stressed, but rather fearless experimentation with a variety of materials, with guidance from the instructors. The child paints his own interpretation of an idea as he sees them, and acceptance of the contributions of each child and provision for the participation and growth are necessary.

Art activities offer opportunities for thinking for oneself, making wise choices, inventing, carrying out an idea, accepting responsibilities, and working with others.

Overall picture of course up to this time:—Grades 1-3:

(a) Individual lessons, (b) Correlation with classroom studies, (c) Group projects—blocks of work based on home, school, farm, immediate community, etc. Color-area study medias used: crayons, cut paper, plastercine. Grades 4-6: (a) Individual lessons, (b) Correlative lessons, (c) Group projects—blocks of work, murals, Christmas projects, block printing, fingerpainting, scale model house for hospital children (not yet completed), table villages, etc.

Future Projects: Easel painting, fingerpainting, plastercine, murals, block printing, puppets, etc.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. FERRARI,
Art Supervisor.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE.

I hereby submit the following report as School Nurse for Upton.

The usual routine work of weighing, measuring, testing eyes and hearing, classroom visits, consultations with teachers, and home visits have been carried on throughout the year.

Our School Physician, Dr. Bernard F. McKernan, assisted by the nurse, has completed a thorough physical examination of all pupils. Defects found are recorded on the pupil's report cards. Follow up home visits are made to advise in correcting these defects.

There was no pre-school clinic this year. Dr. McKernan visited the schools on the opening day and checked all pupils entering the first grade.

The teachers conduct daily classroom inspection, any symptoms found of illness are referred for diagnosis. This helps in the control of disease.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH L. NICHOLS, R. N.

UPTON CLASS OF 1948

GRAFTON HIGH SCHOOL

Jean Clapp
William Freeman
Richard Humes
* George Kozak
Mary MacPherson
Ida-Marie Poirier
Theron Pope
Jean Ryerson
Frederick Sadler
Ruth Stuart
Ruth Swanson
* Cynthia Sweet
* Honor Pupil

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KNOWLTON SCHOOL

Margaret MacGregor
Richard Tight
Harold Hutchinson
Henry Hebb
Clement Lambert
Allen Rawson

GEO. S. BALL SCHOOL

Peter Boucher
Marshall Temple

FINANCIAL REPORT
OF UPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE, JANUARY 1, 1949

INCOME.

Appropriation	\$59,488 87
Dog Tax	685 60
Knowlton-Batchelor Fund	178 98
Charlotte M. Batchelor Fund	100 00
	\$60 453 45

EXPENDITURES.

Teachers:

Elizabeth H. Brokaw	\$1,820 00
Susan W. Brousseau	1,900 00
Elsie J. Craib	7 50
Lora D. Dearth	1,812 50
Mary A. Dineen	800 00
Mary E. Ferrari	120 00
Ruth C. Goodrich	1,020 00
Mary E. Greany	1,810 00
Doris Loukes	15 00
Arlyne M. Marcy	375 00
Albert C. Petitto	180 00
W. L. Rinehart	150 00
Betty D. Sabin	800 00
Teresa J. Trask	847 50
Florence E. Walker	1,020 00
Irene C. Williams	1,960 00
	\$14,637 50

Supervision:

Ralph C. Sturke, salary	\$1,500 00
Ralph C. Sturke, travel	161 00
Ruth E. Scott, clerical	560 00
	—————
	\$2,221 00

Janitors:

Benjamin C. Crooker	\$1,820 84
Barton G. Brown	72 90
George E. Nydam	12 00
Edward Orff	107 10
	—————
	\$2,012 84

Health:

Bernard F. McKernan, M. D.	\$100 00
Ruth L. Nichols, R. N.	500 00
Supplies	13 05
	—————
	\$613 05

Fuel:

W. G. Fiske Lumber Co.	\$18 00
Milford Daily News	3 30
Upton Fuel Co.	1,402 48
	—————
	\$1,423 78

Transportation:

Daniel Fay	\$2,528 24
George Poirier	4,268 74
Laurie Thompson	2,651 77
	—————
	\$9,448 75

Repairs:

Howard H. Amidon	\$6 65
Arthur Atchue	12 00
Edw. E. Babb Co.	14 09

Berton G. Brown	18 90
Gladys G. Crockett	5 63
Frank C. Dow	16 00
Endur Paint Co.	2 35
W. G. Fiske Lumber Co.	453 65
J. L. Hammett Co.	598 64
H. W. Hawes	12 00
W. A. Henchey	12 00
Donald B. Johnson	1 70
Dewey H. Larive	1,403 18
Eugene Lemoine	12 00
Lindahl Flooring Co.	177 00
C. C. Lowell Co.	34 68
Samuel F. Mitchell	104 31
Nydam Roofing Co.	44 00
Pittsburg Plate Glass Co.	3 86
Henry J. Poirier	10 50
Vincent Powers	940 29
G. W. Rice	21 91
Wm. R. Robinson	17 00
Valentine Bros.	92 90
Samuel B. Young	2 50
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	\$4,017 74

Books and Supplies:

American Book Co.	\$54 14
Edw. E. Babb Co.	17 88
Denoyer-Geppert Co.	20 21
Gledhell Bros.	191 30
J. L. Hammett Co.	167 26
Harper & Bros.	3 51
D. C. Heath & Co.	11 20
Houghton Mifflin Co.	65 21
Laidlaw Bros.	13 19
The Macmillan Co.	6 83
A. J. Nystrom & Co.	33 62

Henry J. Poirier	3 75
Row, Peterson & Co.	78 97
Scott, Foresman & Co.	45 27
Chas. Scribner's Sons	23 85
Silver Burdett Co.	40 72
	—————
	\$776 91

Miscellaneous and Sundries:

K. M. Crawford Co.	\$53 89
W. G. Fiske Lumber Co.	2 55
Wm. Knowlton & Sons	40 46
Raymond E. Lyford	10 00
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.	32 35
E. J. Scarry Co.	49 75
Stone & Forsyth Co.	48 60
Waite Hardware Co.	7 20
Worcester Suburban Electric Co.	134 20
	—————
	\$379 00

General Miscellaneous:

Edw. F. X. Jalbert	\$15 00
Garland B. Russell	2 00
Alice G. Walker	50 00
	—————
	\$67 00

Tuition:

Town of Grafton	\$8,343 06
Town of Whitinsville	16,438 53
	—————
	\$24,781 59

Total Expenditures	\$60,379 16
Unexpended Balance	74 29

I have examined this report and find it correct.

ASHLEY M. PERKINS,
Auditor.

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