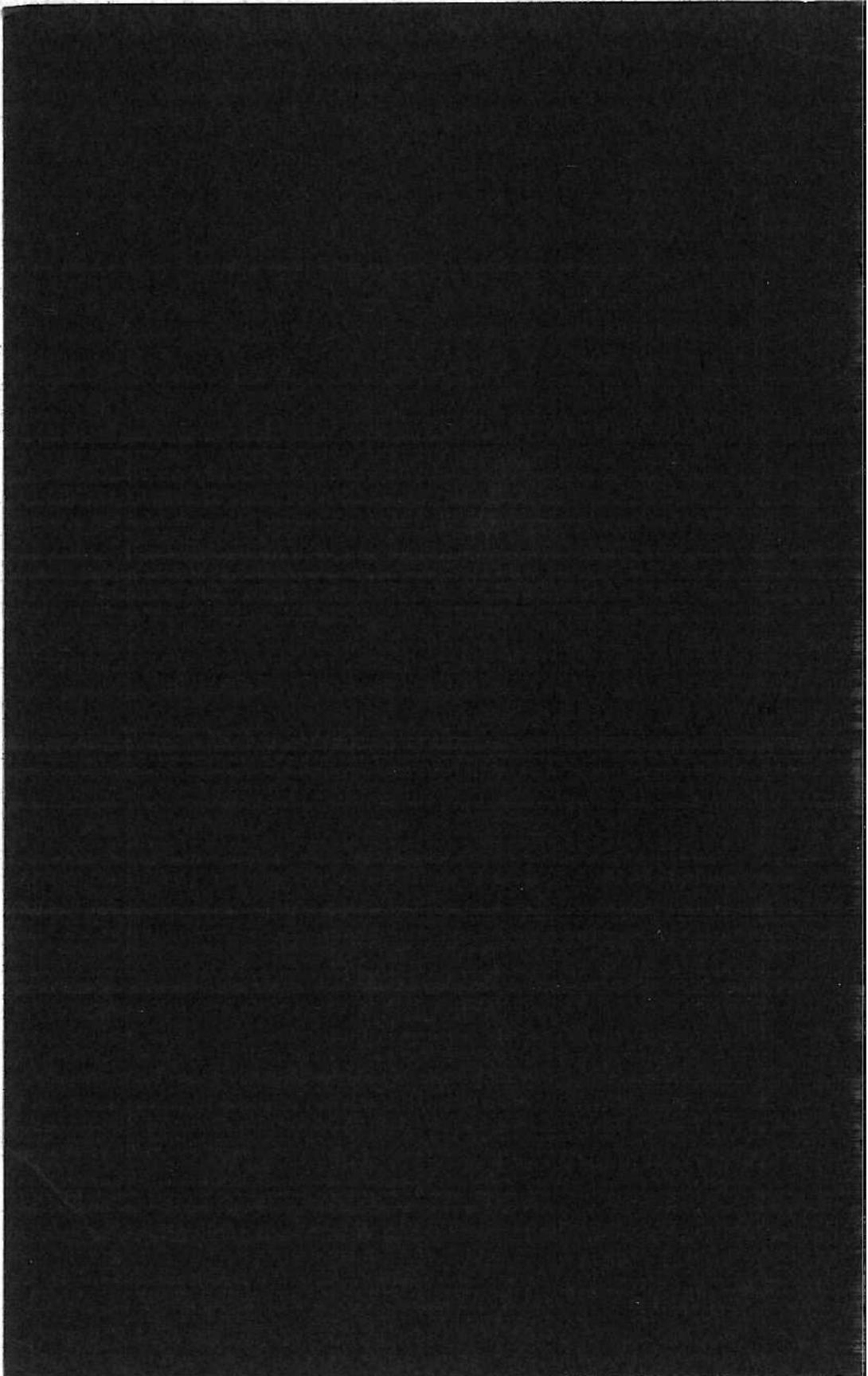


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TOWN OF UPTON

Incorporated, June 14, 1735

Population, 1955 State Census, 2,921

Land—13,853.3 acres; water—104.7 acres

21.81 Square Miles

Pratt Hill—595 ft. above sea level

1957

U. S. SENATORS

John F. Kennedy of Boston
Leverett Saltonstall of Newton

CONGRESSMAN, Third District

Philip J. Philbin of Clinton

COUNCILLOR, Seventh District

Michael J. Favulli of Worcester

SENATOR, Fourth Worcester District

Joseph F. Gibney of Webster

REPRESENTATIVES, Ninth Worcester District

John F. X. Davoren of Milford
Nathan Rosenfeld of Milford

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Joseph A. Aspero of Worcester, Chairman
Edward P. Bird of Fitchburg
Francis E. Cassidy of Webster

SHERIFF OF WORCESTER COUNTY

William A. Bennett of Worcester

COUNTY TREASURER

Alexander G. Lajoie of Worcester

CLERK OF COURTS, WORCESTER COUNTY

James J. Joyce of Worcester

REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY

F. Joseph Donohue of Worcester

REGISTER OF DEEDS

Robert R. Gallagher of Worcester

COUNTY DOG OFFICER

Michael G. Sposato of Worcester

OFFICERS FOR 1956

MODERATOR

George W. Grebenstein

TOWN CLERK

George G. Newton term expires 1959

SELECTMEN

George N. Blakeslee, Chairman	term expires 1957
Mrs. Gladys G. Crockett	term expires 1958
Rene E. Page	term expires 1959

TOWN TREASURER

Leo F. Murphy

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Clement J. Lambert

ASSESSORS OF TAXES

Norman E. Walker, Chairman	term expires 1958
Donald L. Varney, Clerk	term expires 1957
Walter J. Kirby	term expires 1959

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

LeRoy G. Newton, Chairman	term expires 1958
Charles F. Caton, Clerk	term expires 1957
George J. Victor	term expires 1959

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Elsie J. Craib, Chairman	term expires 1957
Richard D. Stockwell, Clerk	term expires 1958
Dr. Lee C. Bird	term expires 1959

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

(Term expires Jan. 1, 1959)

Harvey L. Martindale

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Edward J. Curry, Chairman	term expires 1958
Donald R. Keniston, Clerk	term expires 1957
Raymond K. Smith, Treasurer	term expires 1959

CONSTABLES

Daniel H. Bates	Eugene A. Closson	Arthur J. Leclaire
Alfred H. Nichols		Alvin P. Nichols

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Chester W. Walker, Chairman	term expires 1957
Miss Helen A. Fay, Treasurer	term expires 1957
Roy R. Johnson	term expires 1957
James F. Gorman	term expires 1958
Mrs. Alice M. Hall, Clerk	term expires 1958
Mrs. Elizabeth W. Wood	term expires 1958
Mrs. Jennie H. Capen	term expires 1959
George H. Donham	term expires 1959
Mrs. Helene D. Robinson	term expires 1959

ROAD COMMISSIONER

Henry J. Poirier

TREE WARDEN

Ronald L. Bradford

SEWER-WATER COMMISSIONERS

Walter E. Hopkins, Jr., Chairman	term expires 1957
Thomas L. Francis	term expires 1958
John J. Fitch, Clerk	term expires 1959

PARK COMMISSIONERS

Arthur K. McCarty, Chairman	term expires 1957
Francis E. Aldrich, Clerk	term expires 1959
Joseph F. Kearnan	term expires 1958

HOUSING AUTHORITY

Arthur M. Bartlett	term expires 1961
Walter J. Kirby	term expires 1958
Forrest P. Salisbury, Clerk	term expires 1957
Douglas J. Gilchrist	term expires 1960

PLANNING BOARD

Henry C. Walker	term expires 1957
Robert E. Maynard	term expires 1958
Everett H. Newbegin, Chairman	term expires 1959
Jonas E. Carter	term expires 1960
Hugh C. Bacon, Clerk	term expires 1961

APPOINTED BY THE SELECTMEN IN 1956

TOWN COUNSEL

J. Laurence Doyle

CHIEF OF POLICE

Daniel H. Bates

DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE

Eugene A. Closson

POLICE OFFICERS

Daniel H. Bates	Alfred H. Aldrich	Alfred H. Nichols
Forrest E. Noe	Alvin P. Nichols	Edward L. Orff
Arthur J. Leclaire	Arthur F. Bartlett	Henry J. Poirier
Ralph Smith	Joseph P. Bibeau	Edward C. Rock
Eugene A. Closson	Edward C. St. Andre	Oscar K. Bates

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS

Wilfred N. Bedard, School Buildings
George W. Burnham, Grange Hall Bldg.
William A. Bellofatto, Lake Maspennock Area
Ralph R. Montenegro, Lake Maspennock Area
Richard Seay, Lake Maspennock Area
Fred Shackleton, Kiwanis Beach
Ormand A. Bates, Town Hall Bldg.
Paul F. Ruhan, Primrose Motel Property
Napoleon Cote, Town Dump (Resigned)
Robert E. Taft, Town Dump
Ernest J. Henchey and Thomas A. Cooley, traffic duty assignments

LOCKUP KEEPER and CUSTODIAN OF TOWN HALL

Ormand A. Bates

FENCE VIEWERS

George O. Taft H. Daniel Fay Charles R. Stuart

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Mrs. Adele G. Fields	George N. O. Poirier	Henry J. Poirier
Mrs. Shirley A. McKeller	Henry J. Poirier, Jr.	
	Joseph A. Carroll	

DOG OFFICER
Lester P. Brozeau

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES
Arthur F. Bartlett

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK
Frederick W. Fiske Joseph A. Carroll

MEASURERS OF LUMBER
Frederick W. Fiske David H. Dow

DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES
Raymond K. Smith

CUSTODIAN OF VETERANS' GRAVES
Charles E. Aldrich

MILK INSPECTOR
Edward C. Orff

BUILDING INSPECTOR
George N. O. Poirier

INSPECTOR OF WIRES
Samuel F. Mitchell

BOARD OF HEALTH
George N. Blakeslee, Chairman and Clerk Rene E. Page
Mrs. Gladys G. Crockett
Agent to issue burial permits: George G. Newton

SUPERINTENDENT TO SUPPRESS GYPSY MOTH
(Subject to approval of State Forester)
Ronald L. Bradford

FOREST WARDEN
Walter J. Stank

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

(Subject to approval of Director of Live Stock Control)

Arthur W. Morrison

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Arthur W. Morrison

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Edwin W. Sadler, (D), Chairman	term expires 1957
Mrs. Alice G. Cooley (D)	term expires 1959
Donald A. Wellman (R)	term expires 1958
George G. Newton (R) ex-officio, Clerk	term expires 1959

FIRE ENGINEERS

George N. O. Poirier, Fire Chief

Thomas L. Francis, Deputy Chief

William A. Prentiss, Deputy Chief and Clerk

DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE

George W. Grebenstein

CIVIL DEFENSE COUNCIL

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

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Eugene I. Whiting, Chairman	term expires 1957
Arthur M. Bartlett	term expires 1957
Samuel W. Bailey	term expires 1957
Howard F. Heald	term expires 1958
Clarence P. Voss	term expires 1958
James J. Gallagher, Asst. Clerk	term expires 1958
Arah K. Libbey, Clerk	term expires 1959
Windsor B. Brooks	term expires 1959
Leo L. Page (resigned)	term expires 1959
William H. Smith, (to fill vacancy)	term expires 1959

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

MARCH 5, 1956

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 Fifth day of March, 1956, punctually, at seven (7) o'clock A.M. to cast their vote for the following town officers:

Article 1. To choose necessary officers for the ensuing year: Moderator, Town Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, five Constables, Road-Commissioner and Tree Warden, all for one year; one member of the Board of Selectmen, one member of Assessor of Taxes, one member of Board of Public Welfare, one member of School Committee, one member of Cemetery Commission, one member of Sewer and Water Commission, three Trustees of Public Library, one member of Park Commission and Town Clerk, all for three years; one member of Housing Authority for five years, one member of Planning Board for one year, one member of Planning Board for two years, one member of Planning Board for three years, one member of Planning Board for four years, and one member of Planning Board for five years.

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

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

The remaining articles in the Warrant to be acted upon at an adjourned meeting of the voters in Town Hall, Saturday afternoon, March 10, 1956 at Two (2) o'clock P.M.

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

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

Article 4. To see if the Town will fix the salary and compensation of all elective town officers of the Town as provided by Section 108 of Chapter 41, General Laws, as amended: Moderator, Selectmen, Town Treasurer, Town Clerk, Collector of Taxes, Assessors of Taxes, Board of Public Welfare, School Committee, Cemetery Commissioners, Constables, Trustees of Public Library, Road Commissioner, Sewer and Water Commissioners, and Tree Warden, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 5. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray expenses of Town Departments for the ensuing year, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1956, and to issue a note or notes therefore, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00) to be used by the Upton District Nursing Association for pre-natal care and pre-school nursing services, crippled children and well-child clinic services, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4000.00) to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Work on Pleasant Street, and that in addition, the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00) in anticipation of the reimbursements from the State or County, or both, as their share of the cost of the work.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-Five Hundred Dollars (\$4500.00) to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway Work, and that, in addition, the Town Treasurer, with approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of Sixteen Thousand Five

Hundred Dollars (\$16,500.00) in anticipation of reimbursement from the State as its share of the cost of the Work.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2000.00) to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Maintenance Highway Work, and that, in addition, the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4000.00) in anticipation of reimbursements from the State or County, or both, as their share of the work.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) as a Highway Fund, General, to be used for highway purposes, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred Ninety-Eight Dollars and Eight Cents (\$698.08) in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 32, Section 22, General Laws, for the Pension, Expense, Military Service and Workmen's Compensation Funds of the Worcester County Retirement System for 1956, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars (800.00) to meet the Town's share of a special Chapter 90 Maintenance project to repair and improve drainage on Hartford Avenue, near the DeMarco property, and in addition, that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow Sixteen Hundred Dollars (\$1600.00) in anticipation of reimbursements from the State or County, or both, as their share of the work, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00) for oiling of improvement of Crockett Road, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for oiling of South Street, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00) for widening

and changing grade on West River Street, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the proceeds of the 1955 Dog Tax Refund, the sum of Seven Hundred Forty-Three Dollars and Fifty-Eight Cents (\$743.58) received from the County, to the School Account, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighteen Dollars (\$18.00) to install one electric light on pole # 2, located on Cross Street, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighteen Dollars (\$18.00) to install one electric light on pole 23 on Pleasant Street, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Eighteen Dollars (\$18.00) to install one electric light on Wildwood Avenue, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-five Hundred Dollars (\$2500.00) for the purchase of a fully equipped automobile for the Police Department, as petitioned for by more than 10 voters, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to increase the numbers of the School Committee from Three (3) to Five (5) Members as of the 1957 annual town election, such increase to be made by then adding one (1) member whose term of office shall expire at the annual meeting in 1958 and by adding one (1) member whose term of office shall expire at the annual meeting in 1959, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to change the term of office of the Collector of Taxes from one to three years, beginning at the annual Town Election in 1957, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars

and Ninety-Two Cents (\$1452.92) to pay unpaid bills of the Board of the Water-Sewer Commissioners, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seventeen Hundred Dollars (\$1700.00) for the purchase of a Two-Way Radio Communication System, said amount to be added to the Civil Defense Appropriation, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ninety Seven Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$197.50) for the purchase of a portable forest fire pump, said amount to be added to the Civil Defense Appropriation, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand One Hundred Eighty-One Dollars and Forty-Nine Cents (\$1,181.49) to pay 1955 unpaid bills of the School Department, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Dollars (\$700.00) for the construction of a sidewalk on Pleasant Street, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to accept the gift of a 1947 Chevrolet Panel Truck from the Upton Fire Company, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell a 1929 Model A Ford Truck, surplus apparatus in the Fire Department, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from the Excess and Deficiency Account, a sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) said money to be used by the Board of Assessors of Taxes in establishing the 1956 Tax Rate, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

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

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

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

Given under our hands at Upton, this Twenty-first day of February in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six.

GLADYS G. CROCKETT
GEORGE N. BLAKESLEE
Selectmen of Upton

A true copy. Attest: Daniel H. Bates, Constable of Upton

Upton, Massachusetts, February 23, 1956

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 Fifth Day of March, current year, for the election of certain Town Officials as stated in Article 1 of the said Warrant, and for the adjourned meeting on the Tenth Day of March, current year, to act upon remaining articles in said Warrant, by posting attested copies of the within Warrant in each of the Post-Offices and on the Town House, seven days at least before the meeting aforesaid.

DANIEL H. BATES
Constable of the Town of Upton

Attest:

GEORGE G. NEWTON
Town Clerk

PROCEEDINGS OF ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

March 5, 1956

Pursuant to the Warrant, Moderator Halbert K. Struthers called the meeting to order at 7 A.M.

After reading the call of the meeting and Article 1 for the choosing of all necessary officers, Daniel H. Bates moved that *reading of the remainder of the articles be waived at this time as they would be acted upon at the adjourned town meeting, March 10, 1956 at 2 P.M.* Motion was seconded and voted. Moderator Struthers then continued to read the remainder of the Warrant and the Constables return.

Moderator Struthers invited any voter to inspect the ballot box. The box's indicator was set at 0000. The open ballot box was inspected by voters and election officials before the reading of the Warrant. Police Officer Edward C. Rock was on duty at the ballot box.

A sealed box purporting to contain 1900 ballots was turned over by the Town Clerk to Moderator Struthers, who in turn delivered the box to the ballot clerks. Mrs. Rita C. Cutler (D) and LeRoy W. Prentiss (R) served at the check-in table; Mrs. Adelaide E. Bartlett (R) and Edward D. O'Connell (D) at the check-out table at the ballot box.

Daniel H. Bates was the first voter to cast a ballot. Mrs. Ruth M. Fiske was the second voter and first woman to cast her ballot.

Indicator on ballot box at hourly intervals read as follows: 8 A.M. 20 ballots cast; 9 A.M., 40; 10 A.M., 71; 11 A.M., 111; 12 noon, 133; 1 P.M., 166; 2 P.M., 197; 3 P.M., 257; 4 P.M., 283; 5 P.M., 367; 6 P.M., 502; 7 P.M., 617; and 8 P.M., 711. There were 711 ballots cast and counted. Voting lists were checked. They corresponded. The count was 383 men and 328 women voting; total, 711, out of 1530 registered voters: (745 men and 785 women.) Nearly 47% of the vote was cast.

First removal of ballots was at 2.10 P.M. when 200 ballots were counted and placed in envelopes in the presence of election officials. At 2.30 P.M., Police Chief Daniel H. Bates relieved Officer Rock at the ballot box for awhile. At 5.30 P.M., 100 more ballots were removed and at 6 P.M., another 150 ballots.

After the polls closed at 8 P.M., 261 more ballots were removed from the ballot box for counting, making a total of 711.

Tellers reporting at 4 P.M. to canvass the votes were: Mrs. Helen I. Donham (R), Mrs. Elizabeth Victor (D), Mrs. Joanne H. McClure (D) and Ernest J. Henchey (R).

Tellers reporting at 6 P.M. were: Mrs. Ada W. White (R), Mrs. Ruth A. Sweet (R), Eugene J. Bissonnette (D), Richard S. Kelly (D), Mrs. Yvonne M. Bissonnette (D), Mrs. Norma L. Taft (R), Miss Helen A. Fay (R) and Mrs. Shirley E. Kirby (D).

Edward J. Furphy (D) and Edward L. Prentiss (R) reported at 6 P.M. to tabulate the vote and assist at ballot clerks' tables.

The Town Clerk administered the oath to above election officials before they assumed their duties.

Used and unused ballots were sealed and deposited in containers, sealed and placed in town vault.

Public declaration of the voting was read by the Moderator at 10.15 a.m.

For MODERATOR, (for one year)

	Vote for One
George W. Grebenstein, West Main Street	579
Donald Wellman	1
Blanks	131
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	711

For TOWN CLERK, (for three years)

	Vote for One
George G. Newton, Candidate for Re-election, Main Street	610
Blanks	101
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	711

For TREASURER, (for one year)

	Vote for One
Leo F. Murphy, Candidate for Re-Election, Piccadilly Street	605
Blanks	106
	<hr/> 711

For SELECTMAN, (for three years)

	Vote for One
Rene E. Page, Depot Street	434
Ernest B. Porter	27
Lester Hunter	6
Other scattered votes	12
Blanks	232
	<hr/> 711

For ASSESSOR of Taxes, (for three years)

	Vote for One
Walter J. Kirby, Candidate for Re-election, Warren Road	591
Blanks	120
	<hr/> 711

For BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE, (for three years)

	Vote for One
George J. Victor, Candidate for Re-election, Williams Street	524
Blanks	187
	<hr/> 711

For SCHOOL COMMITTEE, (for three years)

	Vote for One
Lee C. Bird, Grove Street	531
Carl Porter	1
Blanks	179
	<hr/> 711

For SEWER and WATER COMMISSIONER,
(for three years)

	Vote for One
John J. Fitch, Depot Street	541
Daniel H. Bates	1
Blanks	169
	<hr/> 711

For COLLECTOR OF TAXES, (for one year)

	Vote for One
Clement J. Lambert, Candidate for Re-election, Farm Street	591
Blanks	120
	<hr/> 711

For CEMETERY COMMISSIONER, (for three years)

	Vote for One
Raymond K. Smith, Candidate for Re-election, Main Street	564
Blanks	147
	<hr/> 711

For PARK COMMISSIONER, (for three years)

	Vote for One
Francis E. Aldrich, Candidate for Re-election, Prospect Street	544
Blanks	167
	<hr/> 711

For TREE WARDEN, (for one year)

	Vote for One
Ronald L. Bradford, Candidate for Re-election, North Main Street	564
Blanks	147
	<hr/> 711

For CONSTABLES, (for one year)

	Vote for Five
Daniel H. Bates, Candidate for Re-election, Main Street	526
Arthur J. Leclaire, Candidate for Re-election, River Street	461
Alfred H. Nichols, Candidate for Re-election, North Main Street	510
Alvin P. Nichols, Candidate for Re-election, Main Street	490
Oscar K. Bates, Maple Avenue	295
Eugene A. Closson, River Street	327
Edward C. St. Andre, Main Street	247
James D. Ramsey	1
Carl Porter	1
Blanks	697
	<hr/> 3555

For TRUSTEES of PUBLIC LIBRARY (for three years)

Vote for Three

Jennie H. Capen, Candidate for Re-election, Main Street	529
George H. Donham, Candidate for Re-election, Grove Street	510
Helene D. Robinson, Candidate for Re-election, North Main Street	509
Emma Prentiss	1
Blanks	584
	2133

For ROAD COMMISSIONER, (for one year)

Vote for One

Henry J. Poirier, Candidate for Re-election, Pleasant Street	592
Blanks	119
	711

For UPTON HOUSING AUTHORITY, (for five years)

Vote for One

Arthur M. Bartlett, Candidate for Re-Election, Hartford Avenue	535
Blanks	176
	711

For PLANNING BOARD, (for five years)

Vote for One

Hugh C. Bacon, Elm Street	478
Blanks	233
	711

For PLANNING BOARD, (for four years)

Vote for One

Jonas E. Carter, Mendon Street	502
Blanks	209
	711

For PLANNING BOARD, (for three years)

Vote for One

Everett H. Newbegin, Main Street	491
Blanks	220
	711

For PLANNING BOARD, (for two years)

	Vote for One
Robert E. Maynard, Warren Street	492
Ruth Fiske	1
Blanks	218
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	711

For PLANNING BOARD, (for one year)

	Vote for One
Henry C. Walker, Elm Street	536
Blanks	175
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	711

Attest:

George G. Newton
Town Clerk

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE
 ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

March 10, 1956

Moderator George W. Grebenstein called adjourned annual town meeting to order with more than a quorum (20 voters) present. The voting list was used at main entrance with Edward L. Orff (R) and Walter J. Stank (D) serving as checkers.

Motion of Chairman of Selectmen George N. Blakeslee, seconded by Daniel H. Bates, that the Town Counsel (J. Laurence Doyle) be allowed to sit on main floor.

Moderator Grebenstein requested all non-voters on main floor, if any, to move to the balcony.

On motion of Chairman of Selectmen George N. Blakeslee, seconded by Daniel H. Bates, assembly adopt Resolutions on

death of Malcolm C. Temple (February 12, 1956 at a Worcester hospital). Voters stand in one-minute tribute to late Mr. Temple. Copy sent to his family. Mr. Temple was Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, serving his second year on the Board. Also, presided as moderator for many years and served on other town committees.

Resolution:

"Whereas, this meeting has learned with deep regret of the untimely passing of our chairman of the Board of Selectmen, Malcolm C. Temple, an active town meeting participant since 1921, a former moderator, former Civil Defense administrator, member of many appointed committees, and an active participant in many activities that were for the betterment of our Town and its inhabitants, and

"Whereas, his passing is mourned by all of the community because of his generous, unselfish giving of time and himself to the Town, Grange, citizens and friends.

"Therefore, be it resolved, that the business of this meeting be suspended and that the members stand with bowed heads for one minute as a tribute to his memory, and be it resolved further that the clerk be directed to send a copy of these resolutions to Mrs. Malcolm C. Temple, wife of the deceased, and family, and that these resolutions be printed in the next annual town report."

Moderator Grebenstein addressed the assembly concerning assuming the office of town moderator and asked their cooperation.

Report of Committees

Knowlton School

Article 3. Voted: to accept report and dissolve the special committee's report concerning Knowlton School Building study, given by Arthur M. Bartlett. (Committee was appointed by Moderator at second adjourned annual Town Meeting, March 14, 1955.)

Chairman Bartlett of the special committee read in part: that the School Committee stated that it would cost too much to repair and remodel the building for school use. The special com-

mittee believe that for \$30,000 to \$40,000 (estimate to improve the Knowlton School structure) two or three rooms could be added to Memorial School Building.

Chairman Bartlett said the special committee recommends that the Town Counsel get a ruling to see if the Town can sell the building as it was not an outright gift but an exchange of a building.

(Land and old schoolhouse opposite the George W. Knowlton residence—now Knowlton Manor Nursing Home, Main St., was deeded by Town to Knowlton interests with members of the Knowlton family erecting the Knowlton School.)

1955 Town Report

Article 2. Voted: on motion of Norman E. Walker, seconded, to accept the 1955 town report as printed, subject to typographical corrections.

Halbert K. Struthers moved to amend the original motion, "subject to typographical corrections" which was accepted by Mr. Walker.

Establish Salaries and Expense

Article 4. In taking up Article 4, Moderator Grebenstein stated that each department designated would be taken up separately. If a voter wished to speak on any amount other than as printed in the Finance Committee report, that the item be "passed" for later action while article was under consideration. Items recommended by the Finance Committee and not "passed" would be first acted upon. No objection was voiced to this procedure.

Town Officers	Salaries	Expenses
Selectmen		
Chairman	\$200.00	
Member	175.00	
Member	175.00	
Clerk	175.00	\$ 725.00
(a) Town Treasurer	\$ 850.00	\$ 800.00

(b) Tax Collector		\$1,100.00	\$ 500.00
Cemetery Commission			
Chairman	\$30.00		
Member	30.00		
Clerk	30.00	90.00	
Town Clerk		\$ 450.00	\$ 300.00
(c) Assessors			
Member	\$350.00		
Member	350.00		
Member	\$ 350.00	\$1,050.00	\$ 950.00
Welfare Board			
Member	\$ 100.00		
Member	100.00		
Member	100.00	\$ 300.00	
School Committee			
Member	\$40.00		
Chairman	40.00		
Clerk	65.00	\$ 145.00	
(d) Auditor and Accountant		\$ 600.00	\$ 125.00
Director Veterans' Services		\$ 100.00	\$ 75.00
(e) Town Counsel		\$ 50.00	\$ 300.00
Finance Committee, Clerk		\$ 60.00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures		\$ 80.00	\$ 10.00
Registrars of Votes			
Member	\$35.00		
Member	\$35.00		
Member	\$35.00		
Clerk	\$50.00	\$ 155.00	\$ 225.00
Elections, Primaries and Town Meetings			\$ 900.00
Bonding Town Officers			\$ 343.00
Inspector, Slaughtering and Animal Inspector		\$ 100.00	

Housing Authority	\$ 25.00		
Inspector of Wires	\$ 50.00		
Moderator	\$ 50.00		
Tree Warden			
Truck hire	\$ 1.85 per hour		
Labor	\$ 1.25 per hour		
(From Tree Warden's Dept. appropriation)			
(f) Water Commissioners			
Member	\$ 75.00		
Member	75.00		
Clerk	100.00	\$ 250.00	\$ 100.00
(g) Water Dept. Superintendent		\$ 500.00	
Inspector of Oil Burners	\$ 50.00		
(Salary to be taken from Fire Dept. Budget)			
Road Commissioner	\$2.00 per hour including transportation		

Voted: To establish salaries and expenses as printed in Finance Committee report except those items which were "passed."

(a) Town Treasurer—Expense Account voted to be \$800.00; \$600.00 of which will be used for Tax Title items. Original recommendation for "Expense" was set at \$200.00.

(b) Tax Collector—No Voter spoke on this Dept. after item was passed. Motion of Daniel H. Bates, seconded, to set Salary at \$1100.00 and Expense, \$500.00 as recommended.

(c) Assessors—Norman E. Walker, Chairman of Assessors, moved that "Salaries" for Assessors total \$1260.00 in order to provide an increase of \$70 for each member. Lost on standing vote; Yes-38; No-50. Constable Alfred H. Nichols and Alvin P. Nichols made count. Motion then made by chairman of Selectmen George N. Blakeslee that "Salaries" for Assessors be set at \$350 each, total \$1050, and "Expenses," \$950.00, as originally recommended by Finance Committee. Voted on voice vote. Assessor Donald L. Varney stated he desired to be recorded as opposed to the Blakeslee motion.

(d) Town Accountant—Chairman of Selectmen George N.

Blakeslee moved that the "Salary" of the Town Accountant be established at \$750.00 and "Expenses" at \$125. (Finance Committee's recommendation-Salary \$600, and Expenses, \$125.) Motion lost on standing vote: Yes-15; No-41. Constables Nichols were counters. Ernest B. Porter then motioned that the "Salary" be established at \$600.00 and Expense, \$125.00. Voted

(e) Town Counsel—Chairman of Selectmen George N. Blakeslee moved that the "Salary" be set at \$50.00 (same as recommended) and "Expenses", \$300.00. Voted. Original recommendation was \$50.00 for "Expenses."

(f) Water-Sewer Commissioners—"Salaries." Thomas L. Francis, a commissioner, moved that salaries be increased \$25.00 each—two to receive \$100.00 and clerk member, \$125.00, total \$325.00 and "Expenses", \$100.00, as recommended. Lost on standing vote: Yes-36; No-43. Chairman of Selectmen George N. Blakeslee then moved that the commissioners' salaries be set at \$75.00 each for two members and \$100.00 for clerk member, total \$250.00 and \$100.00 for expenses. Voted.

(g) Water Dept. Superintendent—Salary. Walter E. Hopkins, chairman moved that the "salary" be set at \$600.00. Motion lost. Chairman of Selectmen George N. Blakeslee then moved "Salary" be established at \$500.00. Voted.

General Appropriations

Article 5. Moderator Grebenstein stated that if there was no objection, each item of the Finance Committee's report under this article would be considered separately. He further said that if a voter wished to be heard on an appropriation, the voter should say "Pass" when the item was called. After calling of the list was completed, Moderator Grebenstein said he would accept a motion to raise and appropriate money for items which had not been passed. Then, he said, the "passed" items would be considered separately and acted upon. No objection was voted.

(1) Ambulance Maintenance	\$ 600.00
Board of Health	
General	350.00
Care of Patients	10.00
Town Dump	300.00

Cemeteries			
General		\$4200.00	
Oiling-grading		300.00	
Machinery expense		225.00	4,725.00
(2) Fire Department			
General		\$3500.00	
New hose		300.00	
Maintenance		500.00	4,300.00
Fire Alarm System			
(3) Forest Fire			
General		\$700.00	
New hose		300.00	\$1000.00
Gypsy Moth			600.00
(4) Highways			
Chapter 81 (Article 9)			
Chapter 90 Maintenance (Article 10)			
Chapter 90 Construction, Pleasant St. (Article 8)			
Bridges		600.00	
(a) Sidewalks		600.00	
(b) Signs		50.00	
(c) Snow removal		9,000.00	
Crockett Road (Article 14)			
(5) Insurance			1,600.00
(6) Library (including Carpenter Fund matching amount)			1,430.00
(7) Memorial Day			400.00
(8) Notes and Interest (plus \$10,000.00 transferred from available funds in town treasury)			27,000.00
Breakdown	Notes	Interest	
School	\$9,000.00	\$2,108.75	
Water Loan #1	2,000.00	495.00	
Water Loan #2	10,000.00	6,200.00	
Fire Station	3,000.00	405.00	
Water Loan 1955	3,000.00	562.00	
Old Age Assistance (Town)			38,000.00

(9) Public Welfare and Social Worker and Clerk	2,800.00
(10) Police	5,500.00
Public Welfare, General	2,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children (Town)	5,000.00
Disability Assistance	4,500.00
Printing	2,000.00
(11) Schools	145,973.07
Salaries	\$55,635.00
Plant operation and maintenance	\$ 5,300.00
General control	\$ 3,526.00
Tuition	\$57,047.82
Transportation	\$21,414.25
*General expense	\$ 3,050.00
	(See Article 17)
(12) Street Lights	\$5,523.00
Town Hall and Expenses	3,228.00
(13) Town Officers and Expenses	11,940.00
(14) Tree Warden	1,000.00
(15) Veterans' Services	4,000.00
(16)**Reserve Fund	2,500.00
(17) Elm Beetle and Trees	1,000.00
(18) Vacation Fund, Highway Dept.	400.00
(19) Civil Defense	200.00
(20) Damage to Persons and Property	10.00
(21) Hydrant rental	2,750.00
(22) Water and Sewer Dept.	5,250.00
(23) Maintenance-Clerk and clerical supplies	400.00

Voted: To raise and appropriate said sums for accounts not
"Passed."

"Passed" Appropriations then taken up for consideration:

(1) Ambulance: Voted, \$600.00 as requested.

(2) Fire Dept.: Voted, \$4,300. Fire Chief George N. O. Poirier moved the following breakdown as requested and recommended: General maintenance, \$3500.00; new hose, \$300.00; maintenance of alarm system, \$500.00.

(3) Forest Fire Dept.: Voted, motion by Selectman Gladys G. Crockett that \$1000.00 be appropriated: \$700.00 for general expenses, and \$300.00, new hose.

(4) Passed over Chapter 81, Chapter 90 Maintenance, Chapter 90 Pleasant St. Construction and Crockett Rd. under "General Appropriations" as there are special articles for each of these items.

(a) Sidewalks: Voted, \$600.00, motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier

(b) Signs: Voted, \$50.00, motion of Chairman of Selectmen George N. Blakeslee.

(c) Snow Removal: Voted, \$9000.00, motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier. He stated that to date (March 10, 1956) there had been \$7,850.00 expended since Jan. 1, 1956 in this account. (Three heavy snowstorms after above appropriation was made.)

(5) Insurance: Voted, \$1600.00 as requested and recommended.

(6) Library: Voted, \$1430.00.

(7) Memorial Day: Voted, \$400.00. Before final action, Daniel F. Bates moved for an appropriation of \$500.00. He subsequently withdrew his motion.

(8) Notes and Interest: Voted, on motion of Town Accountant Harvey L. Martindale "that the sum of \$27,000.00 be raised and appropriated to the Notes and Interest Account, and that the sum of \$10,000.00 be transferred from available funds in the town treasury to the Notes and Interest Account, making a total of \$37,000.00." No dissenting voice to vote, Moderator declared.

(9) Public Welfare-Adm., Social Worker and Clerk: Voted, \$2800.00, as requested, on motion of Clement J. Lambert. Finance Committee recommended \$2500.00. Donald L. Varney asked for

explanation of increase requested. Mr. Lambert said the increase was not entirely for salary account.

(10) Police: Voted, \$5,500 after lengthy discussion, sum to provide for a full-time officer.

Donald A. Wellman moved for an appropriation of \$3000.00 Chairman of Selectmen George N. Blakeslee moved to amend motion to \$5,500.00 which was favored by a standing vote, 55-Yes; 50-No. Counting were Constables Alfred H. Nichols and Alvin P. Nichols.

Selectman Blakeslee read the following statement before voting:

"The Police Department this year is asking \$5500.00
\$3500 is for a full-time policeman
\$2000 is for running the Police Department

"Our present Police Department is not adequately manned to perform its function in meeting present conditions and protecting a substantial investment.

"Our town has personal property valued at \$300,000 and real estate in excess of \$3,150,000. This investment accounts for roughly 50% of our income

"The businesses in town account for additional \$10,000 yearly income which is returned to the town from the State as our share of the state corporation tax.

"Every working person in town paying a state income tax contributes to a refund to the town of approximately \$25,000 annually.

"All residents of the town owning motor vehicles of various types are responsible for approximately \$16,000 which is returned to the town as our share of the excise tax on such equipment.

"The above statements account for 68% of the town's income and steps to protect it should be taken now.

"The businesses in town provide employment for many of our townspeople. They provide local necessary conveniences, and

have responded unselfishly to local needy and worthy situations.

"They deserve every consideration and additional protection of their investments that they may serve us better.

"You have a substantial investment in town property. Your Assessors value this property at \$256,590, real estate, and \$59,200, personal property but its replacement would cost a great deal more. To name specifically part of this investment, our schools, town hall, fire house and equipment, pumping station, water and sewerage system.

"Private industry with an investment much smaller than this protects their equity by hiring personal protection.

"Why shouldn't the town?

"The town should proceed with caution in this direction. Not whole 'hog' but by starting with one full-time police officer.

"This full-time officer should be our police chief who is appointed by your Board of Selectmen.

"The full-time police chief's duties would be as follows:

1. Perform all functions of this office as in the past for which he received a salary of \$600.
2. Four hours outside day duty, 6 days a week.
3. Four hours outside night duty, 6 days a week.
4. Responsible for daily report.
5. On call 24 hours a day, 6 days a week.
6. Check business, civic and religious property when on night duty at the beginning and end of this duty.
7. Check all town property at the beginning and end of his night duty.
8. Perform all the functions of a police officer when on outside duty to protect life, property and maintain the peace.

"Your vote for a full-time police officer, understanding the above to be his duties, makes it mandatory that your Board of Selectmen carry out your wishes.

"Your police chief will be on active duty 48 hours each week. Based on a 48-hour week and salary of \$3500 yearly this amounts

to \$1.40 per hour. In addition your police chief will be on 24-hours each day 6 days per week; will supervise his department and perform all necessary paper work required of the department. All of this for \$3500 per year.

"The town needs a full-time police officer and now is the time to act."

Others speaking included Donald A. Wellman, Kendall W. Wood, Raymond Whiting, Fire Chief George N. O. Poirier, Ernest B. Porter and Eugene Whiting, chairman of Finance Committee, who stated the committee favored deferment of a full-time officer at this time.

(11) Schools: Voted, \$145,973.07 as recommended by Finance Committee, on motion of Donald B. Johnson, retiring School Committeeman, with breakdown of money as recommended by School Committee: Salaries, \$55,635; general control, \$3,526; plant operations and maintenance, \$5,300; tuition, \$57,047.82, transportation, \$21,414.25 and general expenses, \$3,050. (See action under Article 17.)

(12) Street Lights: Voted, \$5,523.00, motion by Selectman George N. Blakeslee. (It was explained the appropriation would include cost of installing three street lights asked in Articles 17, 18 and 19, recommended by Finance Committee, if favorably acted upon.)

(13) Town Officers and Expenses; Voted, \$11,940.00, motion of Town Accountant Harvey L. Martindale.

(14) Tree Warden; Voted, \$1000.00, on motion of Donald R. Keniston. Sum of \$1550 originally asked; recommended by Finance Committee, \$350.00.

(15) Veterans' Services; Voted, \$4000.00, motion of Ernest B. Porter.

** (16) Reserve Fund; Voted, \$2500.00, transferred from Overlay Surplus Account, on motion of Town Accountant Harvey L. Martindale.

(17) Elm Beetle and Trees; Voted, \$1000.00. Arthur M. Bartlett moved to appropriate \$600; amended by Donald R. Keniston to \$1000.00.

(18) Vacation Fund, Highway Dept.; Voted, \$400.00, motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier.

(19) Civil Defense; Voted, \$200.00.

(20) Damage to Persons and Property; Voted, \$10.00.

(21) Hydrant Rental; Voted, \$2750.00.

(22) Water and Sewer Dept.; Voted, \$5250.00, motion of Commissioner Thomas L. Francis

(23) Water and Sewer, Maintenance, clerk and clerical supplies; Voted, \$400.00,

Total amount of appropriations, raised by taxation, under Article 5, "General Appropriations", \$294,439.07

Authorization To Borrow Money

Article 6. Voted: on motion of Town Accountant Harvey L. Martindale, "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, 1956, 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. Unanimous vote declared by Moderator Grebenstein.

District Nursing Association

Article 7. Voted: on motion of Selectmen Gladys G. Crockett to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00) to be used by the Upton District Nursing Association for pre-natal and pre-school nursing services, crippled children and well-child clinic services.

Pleasant Street

Chapter 90

Article 8. Voted on motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier to raise and appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dol-

lars (\$4000.00) to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Highway Work on Pleasant Street, and that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00) on anticipation of the reimbursement from the State or County, or both, as their share of the cost of the work and to issue notes therefor for a period not exceeding one year from their dates.

Highways-Chapter 81

9. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier to raise and appropriate the sum of Forty-five Hundred Dollars (\$4500.00) to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 81 Highway Work and that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of Sixteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$16,500.00) in anticipation of reimbursements from the State as its share of the cost of the work, and to issue notes therefor for a period not exceeding one year from their date.

Highways-Chapter 90 Maintenance Work

Article 10. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier to raise and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2000.00) to meet the Town's share of the cost of Chapter 90 Maintenance Highway Work, and that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4000.00) in anticipation of reimbursements from the State or County, or both, as their share of the cost of the work, and to issue notes therefor for a period not exceeding one year from their date.

Special Highway Purposes

Article 11. Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier moved to raise and appropriate the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) as a Highway Fund, General, to be used for highway purposes. Lost by a standing vote: Yes-19; No-34.

County Retirement Commitment

Article 12. Voted: on motion of Town Accountant Harvey L. Martindale to raise and appropriate the sum of Six Hundred

Ninety-Eight Dollars and Eight Cents (\$698.08) in accordance with the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 32, Section 22, for Pension, Expense, Military Service and Workmen's Compensation Funds for the Worcester County Retirement System for 1956.

Hartford Avenue Drainage

Article 13. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier to raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars (\$800.00) to meet the Town's share of a special Chapter 90 Maintenance project to repair and improve drainage on Hartford Avenue, near the DeMarco property, and that the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be authorized to borrow Sixteen Hundred Dollars (\$1600.00) in anticipation of reimbursements from the State or County, or both, as their share of the work, and to issue notes therefor for a period not exceeding one year from their date.

Mrs. Gladys G. Crockett, a Selectman, declared she wished to be recorded as opposed to the motion.

Crockett Road

Article 14. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00) to continue improvement of Crockett Road.

Oiling South Street

Article 15. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00) for oiling South Street.

Improving West River Street

Article 16. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.00) for widening and changing grade on West River Street.

Walter H. Allen and Eugene I. Whiting spoke on the article. It was explained by Road Commissioner Poirier that the article called for money to improve a section of the street where there had been some near-motor vehicle accidents.

1955 Dog Tax Refund to School Account

Article 17. Voted: on motion of Richard D. Stockwell, member of the School Committee, to appropriate the proceeds of the 1955 Dog Tax Refund, the sum of Seven Hundred Forty-Three Dollars and Fifty Eight Cents (\$743.58) received from the County to School Account, General Expenses.

Motions to adjourn meeting to Saturday (March 17) and then to Monday (March 12) lost.

Cross Street-Electric Light

Article 18. Voted: on motion of Selectman Gladys G. Crockett to appropriate Eighteen Dollars (\$18.00) from Street Light Appropriation for installation of one electric light on pole #2 on on Cross Street.

Pleasant Street-Electric Light

Article 19. Voted: on motion of Selectman Gladys G. Crockett to appropriate Eighteen Dollars (\$18.00) from Street Light Appropriation for installation of one electric light on pole #23 on Pleasant Street.

Wildwood Avenue-Electric Light

Article 20. Voted: on motion of Selectman Gladys G. Crockett to appropriate Eighteen Dollars (\$18.00) from the Street Light Appropriation for installation of one electric light on Wildwood Avenue.

Automobile for Police Dept.

Article 21. Police Chief Daniel H. Bates motioned to appropriate the sum of Twenty-Five Hundred Dollars (\$2500.00) from unappropriated available money in the Town Treasury for purchase of a fully equipped automobile for the Police Department. Moderator declared motion lost on voice vote.

**Increase School Committee
Three to Five Members**

Article 22. Voted: on motion of Eugene I. Whiting, chairman of Finance Committee, to increase the number of members of the School Committee from three (3) to five (5) members as of the 1957 annual meeting, such increase to be made by then adding one (1) member whose term shall expire at the annual meeting in 1958 and by adding one (1) member whose term of office shall

expire at the annual meeting in 1959. Standing vote: Yes-51; No-32.

Previous to Mr. Whiting's motion, Norman E. Walker moved to pass over the article after it was read by Moderator Grebenstein. Motion to "pass over" lost by a standing vote: Yes-20 No-44

Among those speaking on Mr. Whiting's motion were Donald B. Johnson, Henry C. Walker, Fire Chief George N. O. Poirier, Leo Lamanuzzi and the proponent.

Change Term of Tax Collector

Article 23. Voted: on motion of Clement J. Lambert, Collector of Taxes, to change the term of office of the collector of Taxes from one to three years, beginning at the annual Town Election in 1957.

Unpaid Bills-Sewer and Water Dept.

Article 24. Voted: on motion of Walter E. Hopkins of the Sewer-Water Board to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Four Hundred and Fifty-Two Dollars and Ninety-Two Cents (\$1452.92) to pay unpaid bills of the Sewer-Water Department. Moderator declared vote was unanimous.

Two-Way Radio Communication System

Article 25. Police Chief Daniel H. Bates moved that the Town appropriate Seventeen Hundred Dollars (\$1700.00) from available unappropriated funds in the Town Treasury for the purchase of a Two-Way Radio Communication System, said amount to be added to the Civil Defense Appropriation. Motion not seconded.

Ernest B. Porter then moved that the article be passed. So voted.

Portable Forest Fire Pump

Article 26. Voted: on motion of Forest Fire Warden Walter J. Stank to raise and appropriate the sum of One Hundred Ninety-Seven Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$197.50) for the purchase of a portable fire pump, said amount to be added to the Civil Defense Appropriation.

1955 Unpaid Bills-School Dept.

Article 27. Voted: on motion of Donald B. Johnson to raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand One Hundred Eighty-One Dollars and Forty-Nine Cents (\$1,181.49) to pay 1955 unpaid bills of the School Department. Moderator declared vote unanimous.

Pleasant Street Sidewalk

Article 28. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier to raise and appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Dollars (\$700.00) for the construction of a sidewalk on Pleasant Street. Standing vote: Yes-33; No-16.

Town Presented Truck

Article 29. Voted: on motion of Fire Chief George N. O. Poirier that the Town accept the gift of a 1947 Chevrolet Panel Truck from the Upton Fire Company. Acceptance was with a vote of thanks.

Authorized To Sell

Article 30. Voted: on motion of Fire Chief George N. O. Poirier to authorize the Selectmen to sell the 1929 Model A Ford Truck, surplus apparatus in the Fire Department.

Use of Available Funds
in Establishing 1956 Tax Rate

Article 31. Voted: on motion of Town Accountant Harvey L. Martindale to appropriate from the Excess and Deficiency Account, the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00); said money to be used by the Board of Assessors of Taxes in establishing the 1956 Tax Rate. Seconded by Town Treasurer Leo F. Murphy. No objection.

Town Treasurer Leo F. Murphy then moved that all monies appropriated during the meeting, unless otherwise provided in the motion, be raised by taxation. Voted

Town Treasurer Leo F. Murphy then moved to dissolve the Warrant and adjourn. Voted. (6 P.M.)

Attest:

George G. Newton
Town Clerk

PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

April 24, 1956

Town Warrant

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 Primaries, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Tuesday, the Twenty-fourth day of April, 1956, punctually, at Two (2) o'clock P.M. for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Election of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

10 Delegates At Large to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

10 Alternate Delegates At Large to the National Convention of the Republican Party.

24 Delegates At Large to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

24 Alternate Delegates At Large to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.

2 District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party, Third Congressional District.

2 Alternate District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party, Third Congressional District.

4 District Delegates to the National Convention of the Democratic Party, Third Congressional District.

4 Alternate District Delegates to the National Convention of Democratic Party, Third Congressional District.

District Members of State Committee—(One Man and One Woman) for each political party for the Fourth Worcester Senatorial District.

30 Members of the Republican Town Committee.

18 Members of the Democratic Town Committee.

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE.

The polls will be open from 2 P.M. to 8 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 Third day of April in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six.

George N. Blakeslee
Gladys G. Crockett
Rene E. Page
Selectmen of Upton

Upton, Mass., April 13, 1956

By virtue of the within Warrant, I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Upton qualified to vote in Primaries, herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall, Tuesday, the Twenty-fourth day of April, 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 Hall Building at least seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

Daniel H. Bates
Constable of Upton

PROCEEDINGS OF PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY

April 24, 1956

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, the polls were opened at 2 P.M. by Selectman Gladys G. Crockett, who read the Warrant and Constable's return.

Sealed boxes containing ballots were opened by the ballot clerks: One box purported to contain 1426 Republican ballots and another box purporting to contain 580 Democratic ballots.

Mrs. Rita C. Cutler (D) and Ernest J. Henchey (R) were at the check-in table and distributed ballots to voters. Mrs. Adelaide E. Bartlett (R) and Mrs. Joanne H. McClure (D) were at the check-out table at the ballot box. They had been sworn to perform their duties by the Town Clerk. Police Chief Daniel H. Bates was on duty at ballot box.

Hourly readings of indicator on ballot box were as follows: 3 P.M., 15; 4 P.M., 19; 5 P.M., 34; 6 P.M., 38; 7 P.M., 56 and 8 P.M., 90 ballots.

Reporting at 6 P.M. to count were: Mrs. Helen I. Donham (R) Mrs. Elizabeth Victor (D), Edward L. Prentiss (R) and Edward J. Furphy (D). They took oath to perform their duty as tellers. Messrs. Prentiss and Furphy also tabulated.

Fifty Republican ballots were removed from the ballot box at 7.20 P.M.

Selectman Gladys G. Crockett was the first woman to vote and Town Clerk George G. Newton, first male voter to cast a ballot.

Selectman Crockett closed the polls at 8 P.M. after which all ballots were removed from ballot box. Count was 67 Republican and 23 Democratic ballots during the hours the polls were open.

Republican

Delegates At Large to National Convention

(Vote for not more than 10)

Delegates	Votes
Christian A. Herter of Millis	59
Leverett Saltonstall of Dover	61
Joseph W. Martin, Jr. of North Attleborough	62
Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr. of Beverly	62
Sinclair Weeks of Boston	55
Elmer C. Nelson of Mendon	52
Ralph H. Bonnell of Winchester	50
Esther W. Wheeler of Malden	51
Robert F. Bradford of Cambridge	58
Thomas Pappas of Belmont	49
Blanks	111
	670

Alternates Delegates

Basil Brewer of New Bedford	51
Bruce Crane of Dalton	50
Katherine G. Howard of Reading	51
Charles J. Innes of Boston	51
Daniel J. Lynch of Belmont	49
Maxwell M. Rabb of Brookline	50
Richard F. Treadway of Sturbridge	51
John A. Volpe of Winchester	52
William W. White of Worcester	52
Sumner G. Whittier of Everett	61
Blanks	152
	670

District Delegates to National Convention
Third District (Vote for not more than Two)

Delegates	
Winfield A. Schuster of Douglas	57
A. Andre Gelinas of Fitchburg	58
Blanks	19
	134

Alternate Delegates	(Vote for not more than Two)
Martha K. McVickar of Fitchburg	53
Hannah F. Comerford of Leominster	52
Blanks	29
	—
	134

State Committee	
Fourth Worcester District	Vote for One Man
Hugh Robert Currie of Northbridge	53
Blanks	14
	—
	67

State Committee	
Fourth Worcester District	Vote for One Woman
Florence Cenedella Magruder of Milford	51
Blanks	16
	—
	37

Town Committee	
(Vote for not more than Thirty)	
Vivian V. Mainini, Main Street	46
Chester W. Walker, Milford Street	54
Beatrice Wood, Williams Street	56
Gordon E. Benson, Main Street	54
Brewster L. Newton, Main Street	52
Helena M. Goodridge, Main Street	51
Ruth I. Cody, Grove Street	50
Gladys G. Crockett, Main Street	52
George N. Blakeslee, Mendon Street	50
Henry C. Walker, Elm Street	56
Carl H. Olson, Main Street	48
Henry S. Sadler Jr., Main Street	50
Henry R. Hoyle, Mechanic Street	49
Charles A. Davis, Main Street	47
Ruth A. Sweet, Main Street	54
Lylia H. Lyford, Main Street	53
Charles H. Young, Maple Avenue	49
Etta P. Mosso, Central Square	44
Christine L. Henault, Hopkinton Street	45

Edward S. Henderson, High Street	49
Arah K. Libbey, Plain Street	49
Edward Kuczinski, Williams Street	51
Nancy E. Kennedy, Main Street	48
Alice E. Kerr, Brooks Street	48
Celestine I. Mason, Plain Street	47
Norma L. Taft, High Street	49
Robert E. Maynard, Warren Street	50
Harvey L. Martindale, Mendon Street	49
Christine M. Bates, Maple Avenue	50
Ernest B. Porter, Pleasant Street	53
Blanks	507
	—
	2010

Presidential Preference

Herter	1
Eisenhower	49
Saltonstall	1
Stevenson	1
Blanks	15
	—
	67

Democratic

Delegates At Large to National Convention

(Vote for not more than Twenty-Four)

Delegates

John F. Kennedy of Boston	20
Paul A. Dever of Cambridge	17
John W. McCormack of Boston	16
John B. Hynes of Boston	16
William H. Burke, Jr. of Hatfield	15
Margaret M. O'Riordan of Boston	15
James M. Curley of Boston	17
Thomas J. Buckley of Boston	16
Edward J. Cronin of Peabody	17
John E. Powers of Boston	15
Micheal F. Skerry of Medford	16
Albert S. Previte, Jr. of Lawrence	15
John H. Callahan of Lawrence	15
J. William Belanger of Boston	15

Daniel Rudsten of Boston	15
Ida R. Lyons of Quincy	15
Garrett H. Byrne of Boston	15
Daniel B. Brunton of Springfield	14
James D. O'Brien of Worcester	17
John F. Kane of Fall River	15
Howard W. Fitzpatrick of Malden	15
John S. Begley of Holyoke	15
James J. Corbett of Somerville	15
Jackson J. Holtz of Brookline	15
Blanks	176
	552

Alternates Delegates

Joseph A. DeGuglielmo of Cambridge	14
J. Henry Goguen of Leominster	15
Chester A. Dolan, Jr. of Boston	15
Michael LoPresti of Boston	14
Peter J. Rzeznikiewicz of Ware	15
Francis E. Lavigne of Brockton	14
Salvatore Camileo of Belmont	14
Leonard J. Warner of Westfield	14
Silas F. Taylor of Boston	14
Mary A. Tomasello of Boston	14
Hugh J. McLaughlin of Chelsea	14
Doris M. Racicot of Southbridge	14
Anna Sullivan of Holyoke	14
Mary DePasquale Murray of Milford	15
Charles N. Collatos of Arlington	14
Anthony M. Scibelli of Springfield	14
Matthew L. McGrath, Jr. of Boston	14
Joseph Garczynski, Jr. of Chicopee	14
Edward Krock of Brookfield	14
James R. Carter of Lawrence	14
Thomas J. Hannon of Boston	14
Harry L. Silva of Boston	14
Jean S. LeCompte of Newton	14
John F. Cahill of Boston	14
Blanks	212
	552

District Delegates to National Convention		
Third District (Vote for not more than Four)		
Delegates		
Group		
Joseph F. Gibney of Webster 17		
Elizabeth A. Stanton of Fitchburg 14		
Paul A. Benoit of Southbridge 14		
Solomon Rosenbaum of Fitchburg 12		
Not Grouped		
Daniel F. Murray of Millbury 2		
Blanks 33		
92		
Alternate Delegates,		
Third District, (Vote for not more than Two)		
Davitt M. Rooney of Palmer 16		
Phillip A. Quinn of Spencer 15		
Blanks 15		
46		
State Committee		
Fourth Worcester District Vote for One Man		
John Albetski of Webster 18		
Joseph W. Grzyb of Dudley 2		
Blanks 3		
23		
State Committee		
Fourth Worcester District Vote for One Woman		
Mary DePasquale Murray of Milford 19		
Blanks 4		
23		
Town Committee		
(Vote for not more than Eighteen)		
Edward C. St. Andre of Main Street 21		
Allan S. Donham of Grove Street 17		
Laura Beaudoin of Mechanic Street 18		
W. Vincent Power of Grove Street 17		

Dorothy M. St. Andre of Main Street	16
Wilfred J. Beaudoin of Mechanic Street	19
William J. Gorman of High Street	17
Ann E. Bingel of High Street	18
Leo F. Murphy of Piccadilly Street	16
Walter J. Stank of North Main Street	21
William H. Noe, Jr. of High Street	17
Mary V. Powers of Grove Street	17
Douglas J. Gilchrist of Milford Street	18
Edward J. Curry of Grove Street	20
John Martin	1
Samuel Nahra	1
Blanks	160
	414
Presidential Preference	
John W. McCormack	2
Adlai Stevenson	4
Estes Kefauver	4
Phillip J. Martin	1
Blanks	12
	23

George G. Newton
Town Clerk

Town Warrant

Worcester, ss

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

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Upton, qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Tuesday, the Twenty-second day of May, 1956, punctually, at Eight o'clock P.M. then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to discharge the committee of three appointed to investigate all matters pertaining to Regional Schools pursuant to Article 34 of the Warrant for the annual Town Meeting held March 2, 1953, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the moderator to appoint a committee of three to investigate all matters pertaining to Regional Schools referred to in General Laws, Chapter 71, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 3. To See if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00) to the Highway Department, Snow Removal Account, by the transfer of the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4000.00) from the Reserve Fund Overlay Surplus Account and the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4000.00) from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to purchase a tract of land belonging to one Jacques situated on the westerly side of Maple Avenue, including the property used for a dump, and for that purpose to appropriate and transfer from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, a sum of money, or do or act in any manner pertaining thereto.

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

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

Given under our hands at Upton, this 15th day of May in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six.

George N. Blakeslee
Gladys G. Crockett
Rene E. Page

Selectmen of Upton

Upton, Mass., May 15, 1956

By virtue of the within Warrant, I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Upton herein described to assemble in their Town Hall on Tuesday, the Twenty-second day of June, 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

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

May 22, 1956

Moderator George W. Grebenstein called the meeting to order at the hour designated in the Warrant. There were 29 voters present. (More voters came in after meeting started.).

The Moderator requested any non-voter sitting on the main floor to go to the balcony. Chairman of Selectmen George N. Blakeslee asked permission for Town Counsel J. Laurence Doyle to remain seated on the main floor to answer any question that might be requested of him. Moderator asked if there was any objection to Mr. Blakeslee's request. None was voiced.

Moderator read the Warrant. On reaching Article 1, it was moved that reading of the four articles be waived at this time as they would be taken up separately for action during the meeting. Motion was seconded. Voted. Moderator then resumed reading call of meeting and Constable's return of posting Warrant.

Discharge Original Committee On Regional Schools

Article 1. Voted on motion of Mrs. Elsie J. Craib, seconded to discharge the committee of three appointed to investigate all matters pertaining to Regional Schools pursuant to Article 34 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting held March 2, 1953 with thanks. Unanimous.

**New Committee Authorized
On Regional Schools**

Article 2. Voted: on motion of Mrs. Ruth L. Nichols, seconded, that the Town vote to authorize the Moderator to appoint a committee of three to investigate all matters pertaining to Regional Schools referred to in General Laws, Chapter 71, Sections 14-16 I, inclusive. (Mrs. Nichols, School nurse, was a member of the original committee to study Regional Schools.)

Moderator Grebenstein appointed Donald B. Johnson, who retired in March as a member of the School Committee, and Laurence H. Atwood, who served on the original Regional School Committee, and Mrs. Elsie Craib, School Committee, (new committee member.)

Donald A. Wellman moved and it was voted, unanimously, to give Mrs. Ruth L. Nichols a rising vote of thanks for her service the past three years on the special committee.

**Additional Money
To Snow Removal Account**

Article 3. Voted: on motion of Road Commissioner Henry J. Poirier, seconded, to appropriate the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1500.00) to the Highway Department, Snow Removal Account, by the transfer of the sum of \$1500.00 from the Reserve Fund Overlay Surplus Account.

**Pass Over Purchase
of Jacques Land**

Article 4. Voted: on motion of Donald L. Varney, seconded, to pass over article.

After action on motion to "pass over," Chairman of Selectmen George N. Blakeslee said he would like to explain the reason for the article being in the Warrant. He said in part that Joseph Jacques and Robert Jacques were to sell property owned by them on which the Upton Town Dump is located. The speaker stated that the Messrs. Jacques had received an offer for the tract of land from a Sand and Gravel Company, and believing the town would be interested in the property, approached the Selectmen and offered it to the Town for the same price the Sand and Gravel Company will pay for it.

Selectman Blakeslee described two offers: One tract comprising approximately 12 acres, \$5000.00 and the other, approximately 31 acres, \$7000.

Referring to a Town Dump, Mr. Blakeslee said "We all know there is no good place for a Town Dump. Town Dumps are necessary evils and do present problems from time to time. No matter where it is located, some one is bound to be affected by it.

Voted: to dissolve Warrant and adjourn at 8.20 P.M.

Attest:

George G. Newton
Town Clerk

TOWN MEETING

July 31, 1956

Town Warrant

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 Thirty-first day of July, 1956, punctually, at Eight (8) o'clock P.M., then and there to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00) for the laying of water mains of not less than six (6) inches in diameter in Fiske Avenue and Hartford Avenue, said sum to be raised by borrowing the

same; and to see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, pursuant to G. L. (ter. ed.) Chapter 44, Section 8, Clause 5, to borrow the said sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00) for the purpose and to issue and sell serial, coupon bonds of notes of the Town, each issue of said bonds or notes to bear such date, such rate of interest, to mature at such time, not to exceed fifteen (15) years from the date of the first issue, and to be in such form and to be sold in such manner as shall be determined by the treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9000.00) for the laying of water mains of not less than six (6) inches in diameter in Main Street (West Upton) and Hartford Avenue, said sum to be raised by borrowing the same; and to see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, pursuant to G. L. (ter. ed.) Chapter 44, Section 8, Clause 5 to borrow the said sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9000.00) for the purpose and to issue and sell serial, coupon bonds or notes of the Town, each issue of said bonds or notes to bear such date, such rate of interest, to mature at such time, not to exceed fifteen (15) years from the date of the first issue, and to be in such form and to be sold in such manner as shall be determined by the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8000.00) for the laying of water mains of not less than six (6) inches in diameter in Hartford Avenue, said sum to be raised by borrowing the same; and to see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, pursuant to G. L. (ter. ed.) Chapter 44, Section 8, Clause 5, to borrow the said sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8000.00) for the purpose and to issue and sell serial, coupon bonds or notes of the Town, each issue of said bonds or notes to bear such date, such rate of interest, to mature at such time, not to exceed fifteen (15) years from the date of the first issue, and to be in such form and to be sold in such manner as shall be determined by the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4000.00) for the laying of water mains of not less than six (6) inches in diameter in Maple Street, said sum to be raised by borrowing the same; and to see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, pursuant to G. L. (ter. ed) Chapter

44, Section 8, Clause 5, to borrow the said sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4000.00) for the purpose and to issue and sell serial, coupon bonds or notes of the Town, each issue of said bonds or notes to bear such date, such rate of interest, to mature at such time, not to exceed fifteen (15) years from the date of the first issue, and to be in such form and to be sold in such manner as shall be determined by the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, 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 Eighteenth day of July in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifty six.

George N. Blakeslee
Gladys G. Crockett
Selectmen of Upton

Upton, Mass., July 20, 1956

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 July 31, 1956 for the purposes within mentioned, by posting attested copies of the said 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 Town of Upton

PROCEEDINGS OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

July 31, 1956

Moderator George W. Grebenstein called the meeting to order at the designated hour with more than a quorum (20 voters) present. During the early part of the meeting more voters arrived in the hall until there was an estimated 70 in attendance. Moderator Grebenstein requested any non-voter present to retire from the main floor to the balcony.

While the Town Clerk was reading Article 2 of the Warrant, Chairman of Selectmen George N. Blakeslee moved that reading of the remaining articles be waived and it was so voted. The Town Clerk then continued to read the call of the meeting and constable's return.

Fiske Avenue—Hartford Avenue

Article 1. Voted: on motion of Raymond K. Smith, seconded, move that the Town appropriate the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00) for the laying of water mains of not less than six (6) inches in diameter for a distance of not in excess of fifteen hundred and fifty (1550) feet in Fiske Avenue and Hartford Avenue, said sum to be raised by borrowing the same; and to authorize the Treasurer, pursuant to G. L. (ter. ed.) Chapter 44, Section 8, Clause 5, to borrow the said sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000.00) for the purpose and to issue and sell serial, coupon bonds or notes of the Town, each issue of said bonds or notes to bear such date, such rate of interest, to mature at such time, not to exceed fifteen (15) years from the date of the first issue, and to be in such form and to be sold in such manner as shall be determined by the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen. Vote: Yes-46; No-15.

Eugene I. Whiting, chairman of the Finance Committee, stated that in the opinion of the Committee this article held the most merit of any of the four articles and so recommended it. He further said that this extension would provide another main to pump water from the well field to the storage tank on Pratt Hill.

Walter E. Hopkins, chairman of the Water-Sewer Commission, stated there were six potential takers for the above section with the income over a 15-year period approximately \$3930 and the expense, plus interest, \$14,880. He said the plan called for one hydrant.

Other speakers included Mrs. Gladys G. Crockett, member of the Board of Selectmen; Donald A. Wellman, Robert E. Maynard and Mrs Shirley E. Kirby.

Moderator Grebenstein named Police Chief Daniel H. Bates to make the count. Mr. Grebenstein said that a two-thirds vote was required for favorable action as the motion called for borrowing of money.

Main Street-Hartford Avenue

Article 2. Voted: on motion of Miss Helena M. Goodridge, seconded, move that the Town appropriate the sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9000.00) for the laying of the water mains of not less than six (6) inches in diameter for a distance of not in excess of thirteen hundred (1300) feet in Main Street and Hartford Avenue (West Upton), said sum to be raised by borrowing the same; and to authorize the Treasurer, pursuant to G. L. (ter. ed.) Chapter 44, Section 8, Clause 5, to borrow the said sum of Nine Thousand Dollars (\$9000.00) for the purpose and to issue and sell serial, coupon bonds or notes of the Town, each issue of said bonds or notes to bear such date, such rate of interest, to mature at such time, not to exceed fifteen (15) years from the date of the first issue, and to be in such form and to be sold in such manner as shall be determined by the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen. Vote: Yes-49; No-17.

Eugene I. Whiting, chairman of the Finance Committee, stated that the Committee did not recommend the article for an economic reason.

Chairman Hopkins of the Water-Sewer Commission said there were seven potential takers with the estimated income for this proposed extention over a 15-year period, \$5210, and total expense, plus interest, estimated at \$11,160. He said the plan was for two Hydrants.

Hartford Avenue

Article 3. Voted: on motion of Arthur Kleber McCarty, seconded, move that the Town appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8000.00) for the laying of water mains of not less than six (6) inches in diameter for a distance of not in excess of eleven hundred (1100) feet in Hartford Avenue, said sum to be raised by borrowing the same; and to authorize the Treasurer, pursuant to G. L. (ter. ed) Chapter 44, Section 8, Clause 5, to borrow the said sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8000.00) for the purpose and to issue and sell serial, coupon bonds or notes of the Town, each issue of said bonds or notes to bear such date, such rate of interest, to mature at such time, not to exceed fifteen (15) years from the date of the first issue, and to be in such form and to be sold in such manner as shall be determined by the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen. Vote: Yes-49; No-16.

Chairman Whiting of the Finance Committee reported that the article was not recommended by the Committee.

Chairman Hopkins of the Water-Sewer Commission said that there was no potential taker at this time in section referred to in the article. He stated that the plan was for one hydrant.

Maple Street

Article 4. Voted: on motion of Donald L. Hofstra, seconded, move that the Town appropriate the sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4000.00) for the laying of water mains of not less than six (6) inches in diameter for a distance of not in excess of six hundred (600) feet in Maple Street, said sum to be raised by borrowing the same; and to authorize the Treasurer, pursuant to G. L. (ter. ed.) Chapter 44, Section 8, Clause 5, to borrow the said sum of Four Thousand Dollars (\$4000.00) for the purpose and to issue and sell serial, coupon bonds or notes of the Town, each issue of said bonds or notes to bear such date, such rate of interest, to mature at such time, not to exceed fifteen (15) years from the date of the first issue, and to be in such form and to be sold in such manner as shall be determined by the Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen. Vote: Yes-52; No-8.

Chairman Whiting of the Finance Committee reported that the Committee did not recommend the article for the same reason as two preceding articles.

Chairman Hopkins of the Water-Sewer Commission said that of the four extensions of water mains asked in the Warrant that the Maple Street line would be nearest to being a paying proposition. He said there are five potential takers; that the estimated income during the 15-year period would be \$3930 and cost \$4900. He added that one hydrant is planned for this extension.

Voted to dissolve Warrant and adjourn at 9.10 P.M.

George G. Newton
Town Clerk

STATE PRIMARIES

September 18, 1956

Warrant

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 Primaries and Town Affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Tuesday, the Eighteenth day of September, 1956, punctually, at Twelve (12) Noon for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Nomination of Candidates or Political Parties for the following Offices:

Governor, for this Commonwealth

Lieutenant Governor, for this Commonwealth

Secretary of the Commonwealth, for this Commonwealth

Treasurer and Receiver-General for this Commonwealth

Auditor of the Commonwealth, for this Commonwealth
Attorney General for this Commonwealth
Representative in Congress for Third Congressional District
Councillor for Seventh Councillor District
Senator for Fourth Worcester Senatorial District
Two Representatives in General Court for Ninth Worcester
Representative District
Two County Commissioners for Worcester County
Sheriff for Worcester County
The Polls will be open from 12 Noon to 8 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 28th day of August in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six.

George N. Blakeslee
Gladys G. Crockett
Rene E. Page
Selectmen of Upton

Upton Mass., August 30, 1956

By virtue of the within Warrant, I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Upton, qualified to vote in coming State Primaries, to assemble in their Town Hall on Tuesday, the Eighteenth day of September, 1956, 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 said Primaries.

Daniel H. Bates
Constable of Upton

PROCEEDINGS OF STATE PRIMARIES

September 18, 1956

Selectman Rene E. Page called the meeting to order at 12 Noon. Ballot box had been opened for inspection and indicator set at 0000. Sealed boxes containing ballots received by the Town Clerk from the Secretary of the Commonwealth were turned over to the ballot Clerks. Warrant for Primary was read by Town Clerk.

Following persons took their oath as Primary Officials before balloting began: Check-in table, Ernest J. Henchey (R) and Edward D. O'Connell (D); check-out table, Mrs. Norma L. Taft (R) and Mrs. Joanne H. McClure (D). Officer Alfred H. Aldrich was in charge of the ballot box and held the keys to the same.

Mrs. Emma T. Eames was the first woman voter and Daniel H. Bates was first male voter.

Hourly reading of the ballot box indicator of number of ballots cast: 1 P.M., 36 ballots; 2 P.M., 58; 3 P.M., 99; 4 P.M., 142; 5 P.M., 193; 6 P.M., 267; 7 P.M., 351 and 8 P.M., 461.

At 4 P.M. tellers reporting for duty and taking oath to perform their duty were: Mrs. Ada W. White (R), Miss Helen A. Fay (R), Mrs. Elizabeth Victor (D) and Leo F. Murphy (D). Tellers reporting at 5 P.M. were: Mrs. Helen I. Donham (R), Mrs. Adelaide E. Bartlett (R), John H. Allen (D) and Edward J. Gurry (D). At 6 P.M., Edward J. Furphy (D) and Edward L. Prentiss (R) were sworn to supervise tabulation of votes.

At 3.30 P.M., 100 Republican ballots removed from ballot box; 4.45 P.M., 50 ballots; 5.40 P.M., 50 ballots; 6.25 P.M., 50 ballots, and 7.30 P.M., 100 ballots. At 6.50 P.M., 50 Democratic ballots removed from ballot box.

After the polls were declared closed by Selectman Page at 8 P.M., 42 more Republican and 19 Democratic ballots were removed from ballot box by the ballot clerks.

Total for eight-hours' voting: Republican-392 ballots cast, 192 men and 200 women; Democrats-69 ballots, 44 men and 25 women.

Enrolled during voting were: Republicans-men 36, women, 45; total 81; Democrats, 15 men and 8 women, total 23.

Result of Democratic voting announced at 8.50 P.M. followed by result of Republican voting.

Republican		Vote for One
Governor		
Sumner G. Whittier of Everett		332
Blanks		60
		—
		392
Lieutenant Governor		Vote for One
Charles Gibbons of Stoneham		329
Blanks		63
		—
		392
Secretary		Vote for One
Richard I. Furbush of Waltham		319
Blanks		73
		—
		392
Treasurer		Vote for One
Robert H. Beaudreau of Marlborough		312
Blanks		80
		—
		392
Auditor		Vote for One
Joseph A. Mobile of Boston		311
Blanks		81
		—
		392

Attorney General

	Vote for One
George Fingold of Concord	320
Howard B. Rand of Haverhill	1
Rene Page	1
Blanks	70
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Congressman, Third District

	Vote for One
Robert A. Parker of Northbridge	312
Blanks	80
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Councillor, Seventh District

	Vote for One
Quintin J. Cristy of Shrewsbury	122
Warren G. Harris of Millbury	198
Blanks	72
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	392

Senator, Fourth Worcester District

	Vote for One
William P. DiVitto of Milford	311
Blanks	81
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	392

Representatives In General Court, Ninth Worcester District

	Vote for Two
Gladys G. Crockett of Upton	287
Anthony P. Grosso of Shrewsbury	35
Nathan Rosenfeld of Milford	225
Joseph M. Williams of Westboro	122
Blanks	115
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County Commissioners, Worcester County

	Vote for Two
Joseph H. Ellinwood of Athol	300
Albert D. Riopel of Worcester	279
Blanks	205
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Sheriff

	Vote for One
William A. Bennett of Worcester	330
Blanks	62
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Democratic

Governor

	Vote for One
Foster Furcolo of Longmeadow	49
Thomas H. Buckley of Abington	18
Blanks	2
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Lieutenant Governor

	Vote for One
Robert F. Murphy of Malden	20
James A. Burke of Boston	4
George A. Wells of Worcester	43
Blanks	2
	<hr/> 69

Secretary

	Vote for One
Edward J. Cronin of Peabody	57
Robert Emmet Dinsmore of Boston	5
Blanks	7
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Treasurer

	Vote for One
Clement A. Riley of Norwood	22
John F. Kennedy of Canton	22
John F. Buckley of Boston	11
Henry Joseph Hurley of Boston	1
John M. Kennedy of Boston	9
Blanks	4
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Auditor

	Vote for One
Thomas J. Buckley of Boston	63

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Attorney General

Vote for One

Joseph D. Ward of Fitchburg	45
Edward J. McCormack, Jr. of Boston	22
Blanks	2

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Congressman, Third District

Vote for One

Philip J. Philbin of Clinton	61
Blanks	8

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Councillor, Seventh District

Vote for One

Edmund Burke of Worcester	26
Micheal J. Favilli of Worcester	21
Joseph Cutowski of Worcester	3
Stephen F. Loughlin of Worcester	1
Jane D. O'Brien of Worcester	4
John N. Salerno of Worcester	6
Walter C. Stoprya of Worcester	0
Blanks	8

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Senator Fourth Worcester District

Vote for One

Joseph F. Gibney of Worcester	63
Blanks	6

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Representatives in General Court, Ninth Worcester District

Vote for Two

John F. X. Davoren of Milford	65
Arthur E. Cellucci of Shrewsbury	40
Blanks	33

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County Commissioners, Worcester County

	Vote for Two
Joseph A. Aspero of Worcester	38
Francis E. Cassidy of Webster	21
P. Eugene Casey of Milford	37
William McNelly Jr. of Clinton	5
Albert F. Peloquin of Sturbridge	3
Joseph P. Sharry of Leicester	12
Blanks	22
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Sheriff	
	Vote for One
Francis M. Hickey of Worcester	25
John H. Philbin of Clinton	39
Blanks	5
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Attest:

George G. Newton
Town Clerk

WARRANT FOR SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

October 29, 1956

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-ninth day of October, 1956, punctually, at Eight (8) o'clock P.M. to act on the following articles:

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8000.00) to the Old Age Assistance Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of Two Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$2600.00) to the Disability Assistance Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of Fourteen Hundred Dollars (\$1400.00) to Veterans' Services Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of Six Hundred Twenty Nine Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$629.80) to the Bridge Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of One Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$120.00) to the Town Ambulance Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) to the Fire Alarm System Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) from Police, Salary Account, to Police, Expense Account, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of Seven Hundred Thirty-One Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$731.50) to the Plant Operation and Maintenance Account, School Department, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of One Thousand Three Hundred Ninety-Two Dollars and Forty-One Cents (\$1,392.41) to the Transportation Account, School Department, 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 Nineteenth day of October in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six

George N. Blakeslee
Gladys G. Crockett
Rene E. Page

Selectmen of Upton

Upton, Mass. October 20, 1956

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 October 29, 1956, for the purposes within mentioned by posting attested copies in each of the Post Offices and on the Town House at least seven days before the meeting aforesaid.

Daniel H. Bates
Constable of the Town of Upton

Proceedings of Special Town Meeting

October 29, 1956

Moderator George W. Grebenstein called the meeting to order at the designated hour in the Warrant. He asked Police Chief Daniel Bates to make a count of number of registered voters on main floor. Chief Bates replied 29. (Quorum is 20) The number of voters increased during the meeting.

Town Clerk read the Warrant. Chairman of Selectmen George N. Blakeslee moved after Article 1 was read that reading of remaining eight articles be waived at this time. Motion seconded. No opposition. Remainder of call of meeting and constable's return was read.

Moderator Grebenstein read each article before action was taken by voters.

Eugene I. Whiting, Chairman of Finance Committee, reported that the said Committee recommended favorable action on each article.

Old Age Assistance

Article 1. Voted: on motion of Leroy G. Newton duly seconded to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8000.00) for the Old Age Assistance Account.

Disability Assistance Account

Article 2. Voted: on motion of Leroy G. Newton, duly seconded, to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of Two Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$2600.00) for the Disability Assistance Account.

Veterans' Services

Article 3. Voted: on motion of Raymond K. Smith, duly seconded, to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of Fourteen Hundred Dollars (\$1400.00) for the Veterans' Services Account.

Bridges

Article 4. Voted: on motion of Henry J. Poirier, duly seconded, to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of Six Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars and Eighty Cents (\$629.80) for the Bridge Account.

Town Ambulance

Article 5. Voted: on motion of George N. O. Poirier, duly seconded, to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of One Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$120.00) for the Town Ambulance Account.

Fire Alarm System

Article 6. Vote: on motion of George N. O. Poirier, duly seconded, to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for the Fire Alarm System.

Transfer from Police, Salary
to Police, Expense Account

Article 7. Voted: on motion of Daniel H. Bates, duly seconded, to transfer the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) from the Police, Salary Account, to Police, Expense Account.

School-Plant Operation And
Maintenance Account

Article 8. Voted: on motion of Richard D. Stockwell, duly seconded, to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of Seven Hundred Thirty-One Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$731.50) for the Plant Operation and Maintenance Account, School Department.

School-Transportation Account

Article 9. Voted: on motion of Richard D. Stockwell, duly seconded, to appropriate from unappropriated available funds in the Town Treasury, the sum of One Thousand Three Hundred Ninety-Two Dollars and Forty-One cents (\$1392.41) for the Transportation Account, School Department.

Voted on motion of George N. Blakeslee, chairman of Selectmen, duly seconded, to dissolve the Warrant and adjourn.

Attest:

George G. Newton
Town Clerk

Warrant for National-State Election

November 6, 1956

Worcester, ss

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

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify the inhabitants of the town of Upton, qualified to vote in Elections and in Town Affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Upton, on Tuesday, the Sixth day of November, 1956, punctually, at Seven (7) o'clock, to give in their votes to the Selectmen of Upton for:

Presidential Electors; Governor; Lieutenant Governor; Secretary; Treasurer; Auditor; Attorney General; Representatives in Congress; Councillor; Senator; Representatives in General Court (2); County Commissioners (2); Sheriff

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

Question 1

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

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)?

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?

All of them to be voted for upon one ballot.

The polls shall close at Eight 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 Sixteenth day of October in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six.

George N. Blakeslee
Gladys G. Crockett
Rene E. Page

Selectmen of Upton

Upton, Mass., October 17, 1956

By virtue of the within Warrant I have this day notified the inhabitants of the Town of Upton herein described, to assemble in their Town Hall on Tuesday, the Sixth day of November, 1956, 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, Mass.

Proceedings of National-State Election

November 6, 1956

Pursuant to the foregoing Warrant, the meeting was called to order at Seven o'clock A.M. by Chairman George N. Blakeslee. The Warrant was read by the Town Clerk calling for the election of certain National, State and County Officers and questions on the ballot.

Ernest J. Henchey (R), Edward D. O'Connell (D), Mrs. Joanne H. McClure (D) and Mrs. Adelaide E. Bartlett (R) were sworn to serve as ballot clerks and checkers. Two sealed boxes containing ballots received by the Town Clerk from the Secretary of the Commonwealth were opened by Mr. Henchey and Mr. O'Connell.

Police Chief Daniel H. Bates was in charge of the ballot box and held the keys to the same. The indicator read 0000 before voting began. Interior of the ballot box was shown to several voters present and election officers before balloting began.

Mrs. Ruth M. Fiske was the first voter to cast a ballot. Charles A. Barton was first male voter.

Mrs. Rita C. Cutler (D), Mrs. Catherine M. Saucier (D), Mrs. Ruth A. Sweet (R) and Mrs. Ada White (R) reported at 12 noon and took oath as tellers.

At 1 P.M., Edward J. Gurry (D), James C. Kelly (D), Miss Helen A. Fay (R) and Mrs. Norma L. Taft (R) reported to canvass the vote. Reporting at 5 P.M. were Eugene Bissonnette (D), Mrs. Yvonne Bissonnette (D), Mrs. Helen I. Donham (R), Mrs. Shirley E. Kirby (D), Mrs. Alice M. Martindale (R), Mrs. Celestine J. Mason (R), LeRoy W. Prentiss (R) and Mrs. Elizabeth Victor (D). Each took oath before beginning their counting of ballots.

Edward J. Furphy (D) and Edward L. Prentiss (R) began tabulation of votes cast at 6 P.M.

The polls were closed by Chairman of Selectmen Blakeslee at 8 P.M. in accordance with the Warrant. Indicator on ballot box read 1399 at this hour, corresponding to the number of ballots that had been given out and names of voters checked.

In addition, envelopes containing 15 War ballots (eight registered voters and seven registered by kindred or cards received requesting ballots) and 48 Absent Voter's Ballots were opened by the Town Clerk in presence of Chairman of Selectmen Blakeslee, Mrs. Bartlett (R), Mrs. McClure (D), Mr. Henchey (R) and Mr. O'Connell (D). After inspection of jurat and found to be O.K., the said ballots were cast, bringing total to 1462 ballots. Indicator read the same. Four civilian Absent Voters ballots were declared defective owing to manner in which jurat were made out

Hourly reading on ballot box indicator: 8 A.M., 75 ballots; 9 A.M., 122; 10 A.M., 205; 11 A.M., 329; 12 Noon, 398; 1 P.M., 450; 2 P.M., 531; 3 P.M., 613; 4 P.M., 681; 5 P.M., 891; 6 P.M., 1063; 7 P.M., 1297; 8 P.M., 1399; In addition, 15 War Ballots and 48 Absent Voter Ballots, total 1462. Nearly 93 per cent of Upton's voters cast ballots.

Ballots were removed from the ballot box to canvass: 11.30 A.M., 200 ballots; 12.50 P.M., 200; 2.25 P.M., 150; 4 P.M., 100; 5.05 P.M., 200; 5.45 P.M., 200; 6.30 P.M., 100; 7 P.M., 100; 7.30 P.M., 100; and 8.05 P.M., 49; total 1399. In addition, 63 War Ballots and Absent Voter Ballots were removed after being deposited after 8 P.M. to bring total to 1462.

Check lists at ballot table and ballot box were compared and the total number of names voting agreed—1462. It was announced that 745 Women and 717 men had cast ballots.

Ballots, check lists, and unused ballots with applications and jurats of absent voters were placed in containers and sealed. The containers were deposited in the town vault.

Electors of President and Vice President

	Vote for One
Eisenhower and Nixon, Republican	1104
Hass and Cossini, Socialist Labor	1
Holtwick and Cooper, Prohibition	0
Stevenson and Kefauver, Democratic	332
Blanks	25
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Governor

	Vote for One
Foster Furcolo of Longmeadow, Democratic	494
Sumner G. Whittier of Everett, Republican	942
Henning A. Blomen of Somerville, Socialist Labor	1
Mark R. Shaw of Melrose, Prohibition	3
Blanks	22
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Lieutenant Governor

	Vote for One
Charles Gibbons of Stoneham, Republican	963
Robert F. Murphy of Malden, Democratic	440

Harold E. Bassett of Clinton, Prohibition	6
Francis A. Votano of Lynn, Socialist Labor	0
Blanks	53
	1462
Secretary	
	Vote for One
Edward J. Cronin of Peabody, Democratic	521
Richard I. Furbush of Waltham, Republican	854
Earl F. Dodge of Boston, Prohibition	7
Lawrence Gilfedder of Boston, Socialist Labor	0
Blanks	80
	1462
Treasurer	
	Vote for One
John F. Kennedy of Canton, Democratic	544
Robert H. Beaudreau of Marlborough, Republican	846
Isaac Goddard of Newton	4
Willy N. Hogseth of Saugus, Socialist Labor	2
Blanks	66
	1462
Auditor	
	Vote for One
Thomas J. Buckley of Boston, Democratic	561
Joseph A. Nobile of Boston, Republican	808
John B. Lauder of Revere, Prohibition	8
Anthony Martin of Boston, Socialist Labor	2
Blanks	83
	1462
Attorney General	
	Vote for One
George Fingold of Concord, Republican	964
Edward J. McCormack, Jr. of Boston, Democratic	428
Fred M. Ingersoll of Lynn, Socialist Labor	2
Howard B. Rand of Haverhill, Prohibition	5
Blanks	63
	1462
Congressman, Third District	
	Vote for One
Philip J. Philbin of Clinton, Democratic	654
Robert A. Parker of Northbridge, Republican	765

Blanks	43
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Councillor, Seventh District	
Michael J. Favulli of Worcester, Democratic	Vote for One
Warren G. Harris of Millbury, Republican	444
Blanks	911
	107
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	1462
Senator, Fourth Worcester District	
Joseph F. Gibney of Webster, Democratic	Vote for One
William P. DiVitto of Milford, Republican	493
Blanks	902
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	1462
Representatives in General Court	
Ninth Worcester District	
John F. X. Davoron of Milford, Democratic	Vote for Two
Arthur B. Celluci of Shrewsbury, Democratic	556
Gladys G. Crockett of Upton, Republican	232
Nathan Rosenfeld of Milford, Republican	996
Norman E. Walker	713
Blanks	1
	426
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	2924
County Commissioners, Worcester County	
Joseph A. Aspero of Worcester, Democratic	Vote for Two
Francis E. Cassidy of Webster, Democratic	439
Joseph H. Ellinwood of Athol, Republican	435
Albert D. Riopel of Worcester, Republican	823
Blanks	833
	394
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	2924
Sheriff, Worcester County	
William A. Bennett of Worcester, Republican	Vote for One
Francis M. Hickey of Worcester, Democratic	1041
Blanks	333
	88
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	1462

Question 1

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

Yes	739
No	386
Blanks	337
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	1462

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

Yes	718
No	354
Blanks	390
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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	823
No	307
Blanks	332
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	1462

Attest:

George G. Newton
Town Clerk

1956-1957 JURY LIST

Prepared by the Selectmen under the provisions of Chapter 234, General Laws, and amendments.

JURORS DRAWN IN 1956

	Street	Occupation
Bailey, Samuel W.	Main	Retired
Benoit, Raymond A.	Nelson	Automobile salesman
Blakeslee, Harry E.	Prospect	Retired
Blodgett, Charlotte H.	Mechan.c	Bookkeeper
Boyer, Rene R.	Maple Ave.	Forge helper
Brown, Mary F.	Church	Housewife
Bruso, El. J.	South	Milling machine hand
Damon, Harry A.	Warren Rd.	Experimental machinist
Erickson, Gladys M.	Depot	Clerk
Ethier, Edgar H.	Church	Poultryman
Fiske, Ruth M.	Plain	Housewife
Handfield, Leo J.	Glen Ave.	Operator
Kearnan, Barbara F.	Pleasant	Clerk
Keiffin, Jeanne	Main	Hat worker
Lyford, Lylia H.	Main	Housewife
MacKenna, Lloyd A.	Ma.n	Assembler
Mason, Celestine J.	Plain	Housewife
McClure, Robert E.	Mechanic	Accountant
Mitchell, LaVerne F.	Glen Ave.	Electrician
Murphy, Leo F.	Piccadilly	Town Treasurer
Nydam, Goldie I.	Glen Ave.	Housewife
Olson, Carl H.	Main	Maintenance Man
Paulson, Carl E.	Ridge Rd.	Glass worker
Salisbury, Forrest P.	Will.ams	Carpenter
Smith, William H.	Hopkinton	Supervisor
Steele, Sophie B.	South	Hat trimmer
Stuart, Esther A.	Taft	Housewife
Stuart, Charles R.	Taft	Manager
Sweet, Ruth A.	Main	Housewife
Rock, M. Alice	Main	Housewife
Taft, Millard M.	High	Mechanic
Thompson, Laurie A. Jr.	Grove	Oil burner repairman
Tornwall, Emma M.	Old Grafton Rd.	Mimeographing service
Tuttle, Fred W.	Main	Retired
Willard, Lloyd E.	Main	Meat cutter
Woodward, William R.	Main	Clerk

DRAWN FOR JURY SERVICE

Mrs. Grace Blackburn	Civil	Drawn, Jan. 10, 1956
Mrs. Irene F. Inman	Criminal	Drawn, Jan. 13, 1956
George R. Gorman	Criminal	Drawn, Jan. 13, 1956
Mrs. Margaret I. Rawson	Civ.l	Drawn, April 10, 1956
Harry E. Blakeslee	Criminal, Civil	Drawn, Aug. 16, 1956
Mrs. Ruth A. Sweet	Criminal, Civil	Drawn, Dec. 11, 1956

LICENSES ISSUED THROUGH OFFICE OF TOWN CLERK

DOG LICENSES

In 1956 there were 411 Dog Licenses (highest in Town's history) were issued—240 Males, 66 Females, 105 Spayed Females and Four \$10 Kennel Licenses (four dogs or less). Paid to Town Treasurer, \$972.20.

FISH AND GAME LICENSES

There were 373 Licenses issued during 1956:—120 Fishing, 90 Hunting, 69 Sporting, 22 Minor's Fishing, 28 Woman's Fishing, 5 Non-Resident Fishing (3-days), 2 Non-Resident Minor's Fishing, (year); 2 Non-Resident Fishing (year), 1 Alien Fishing, 6 Duplicate, 27 Sporting-Trapping (free-70 yrs. of age or over), 1 Old Age Assistance. Paid to Division of Fisheries & Game, \$1095.

TOWN LICENSES (Granted by Selectmen)

Two Common Victualer-to sell All Alcoholic Beverages, (to be drunk on premises); 1 Club-All Alcoholic Beverages, (to be drunk on premises); 2 Retail Package Goods Stores, All Alcoholic Beverages, (not to be drunk on premises); 5 Common Victualer, (to sell food); 1 Second-class Motor Vehicle, 3 Third-class Motor Vehicle, 1 permit to sell firearms and renewal, 5 Automatic Amusement Devices, 1 Second-hand articles and junk, Motel and renewal, 12 Certificates of Registration to sell gasoline, 5 Juke Box, 1 Innholder, 7 Sunday License (to sell ice cream, tonic, etc.). Paid to Town Treasurer, \$2,175.50

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS RECORDED IN UPTON IN 1956

Date of Birth	Name of Child	Parents' Names
JANUARY		
7	Linda Jean Callahan	Robert J. and Martha M. Callahan
21	Jean Marie Pellerin	Joseph O. and Margaret M. Pellerin
26	Lisa Ruth Preusse	John F. and Linda L. Preusse
27	Michael John Kozel	Thomas S. and Gloria C. Kozel
29	Barry Mark Benoit	Richard G. and Elaine M. Benoit
FEBRUARY		
12	Dennis Wayne Bouthiette	John R. and Winona Bouthiette
21	Tina Marie Pope	Theron L. and Mary K. Pope, Jr.
23	Elaine Elinor Poirier	Henry J. and Nina L. Poirier, Jr.
25	Arthur Joseph Cote, Jr.	Arthur J. and Beverly Cote
26	Debra Ann Bibeau	Joseph F. and Elizabeth L. Bibeau
MARCH		
4	Shirley Mae Hull	William C. and Shirley Hull
20	Lucille Madeline Dufresne	Gaston M. and Claire Dufresne
27	Deborah Jean Page	Rene E. and Frances E. Page
30	Frederick Steven Maxfield	Herbert K. and Dorothy C. Maxfield
APRIL		
3	Clifford Allen Moses	Graydon F. and Alice L. Moses
5	June Mary Whitley	Paul H. and Leona T. Whitley
10	Diane Jean Grenier	Leo J. and Blanche Grenier
23	Cindy Lee Orff	Robert M. and Shirley A. Orff
24	Wendy Lynne Gardner	Alfred and Dorothy L. Gardner
29	Steven Edward Page	Leo L. and Janice E. Page
MAY		
3	Linda Ann Page	Robert A. and Nancy A. Page
8	Paul Cote	Ovide and Medora G. Cote
16	Daniel Joseph Fitzpatrick, Jr.	Daniel J. and Helen Fitzpatrick
23	Beverly Ann Dean	Frank J. and Dorothy F. Dean
25	Joseph Leo Givani	Angelo R. and Claire Givani
JUNE		
21	Peter Stephen Maynard	Robert E. and Kathleen J. Maynard
22	Christopher Davis Cloward	Davis T. and Irene N. Cloward
22	Susan Lee Jonczyk	William H. and June Jonczyk
25	Deborah Lee Braman	Ralph H. and Barbara Braman
30	Jaye Alison Noe	Forrest E. and Anne M. Noe

JULY

19 Brenda Lee Knaack

Robin K. Knaack and Barbara A. Knaack

AUGUST

1 Jane Gorman
 5 Lu-Ann Cutler
 6 Raymond John Paulson
 8 Donald Roy Rivers
 9 Peter Thompson
 10 Christine Gallagher
 11 Stillborn
 14 Judith Elaine Perkins
 25 Nancy Gene Higgins
 31 Wendy Ann Kuczinski

Edward F. and Aurelia E. Gorman
 Herbert H. and Rita K. Cutler
 Carl E. and Mary K. Paulson
 Ernest R. and Florence E. Rivers
 Frederick M. and Natalie C. Thompson
 James J. and Madeline M. Gallagher
 Ashley M. and Elinor H. Perkins
 Harold V. and Natale T. Higgins
 John J. and Waneta S. Kuczinski

SEPTEMBER

2 Paul Fritz Herbert
 4 John Arthur Southland
 12 Roxanne Louise Whitney
 20 James Clifton Demers
 22 Duncan Hastings Brown

Fritz and Margaret S. Herbert
 Arthur J. and Shirley M. Southland
 Stewart A. and Shirley B. Whitney
 William T. and Mary L. Demers
 David W. and Jane E. Brown

OCTOBER

3 Donna Marie Lara
 13 Robert Joseph Berthelette
 18 Dennis Mark Kelly
 22 Cheryl Frances Leclair

Andrew C. and Constance F. Lara
 Roger G. and Claire Berthelette
 Robert F. and Pauline Kelly
 Armand J. and Frances F. Leclair

NOVEMBER

1 Barbara Ann Meleski
 3 Brenda Gisele Usher

Edward C. and Irene J. Meleski
 Rodney L. and Barbara A. Usher

DECEMBER

2 Donna Lee Smith
 22 Holly Jean Palmieri
 31 Richard Allen Lapan

Butler H. and Diane S. Smith
 Anthony J. and Eleanor F. Palmieri
 Arthur W. and Bernice W. Lapan

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN UPTON IN 1956

Date	Name, Age, Residence	By Whom and Where Married
JANUARY		
1	James S. Halligan, 43, Winchester Ruth E. (Hogarty) Jones, 42, Medford	Rev. Stephen W. Turrell Upton
5	Joseph DeiGenio, 33, Medway Beverly A. Martin, 22, Upton	Rev. John R. Shannon Upton
21	Joseph E. Brothers, 16, Whitinsville Frances E. McMahon, 17, Upton	Lionel R. Trudeau, J. of P. Bellingham
FEBRUARY		
4	Donald E. Heselton, 19, Upton Carol A. Demers, 17, Hyde Park	Rev. John J. Orzech Hyde Park
11	William F. Santoro, 24, Milford Reba J. (Gilmer) Fales, 16, Upton	Rev. Anthony Corigliano Milford
MARCH		
10	Donald E. Philbrook, 21, Whitinsville Carol A. Peters, 17, Upton	Rev. Delphas S. Barrett Whitinsville
APRIL		
7	Romeo Ethier, 21, Woonsocket, R. I. Mary J. Couture, 18, Upton	Rev. John R. Shannon Upton
MAY		
5	Gerald Lapierre, 21, Upton Jacquelyn F. Teachout, 18, Upton	Rev. John R. Shannon Upton
19	Walter A. Hopkins, 21, Upton Evelyn F. LaForce, 18, Worcester	Rev. John A. Donohue Worcester
19	Donald L. Varney, Jr., 23, Upton Joan E. Gorman, 19, Upton	Rev. John R. Shannon Upton
19	George E. Leland, Jr., 21, Upton Shirley J. Harrower, 19, Upton	Rev. John R. Shannon Upton
26	Parker C. Temple, 19, Upton Ann Marie Devine, 21, Cavendish, Vt.	Rev. D. J. Cosgrove Proctorsville, Vt.
JUNE		
2	Donald R. Keniston, 33, Upton Marjorie A. Chapdelaine, 30, Northborough	Rev. Marshall Eck Northborough
16	Kenneth A. Fowler, 19, Upton Joan L. Varner, 20, Grafton	Rev. A. Raymond Smith Grafton
23	Morton K. Berquist, 24, Upton Rose V. Howland, 24, Milford	Rev. Martin J. Manahan Milford
30	Ralph E. Francis, 19, Upton Marion L. Mainville, 20, Upton	Rev. John R. Shannon Upton

JULY

5	Robert L. Wormsley, 26, Feds Creek, Ky.	Edward S. LeBlanc, J. of P. Nashua, N. H.
7	Adaline F. Closson, 26, Upton	Rev. Joseph W. Beach Upton
7	Frederick I. Robinson, 32, Marblehead	Rev. William Guerrette Medway
8	Charlotte R. Blodgett, 23, Upton	
8	Raymond A. Morey, Jr., 21, Upton	
21	June M. Vasile, 18, Medway	
21	Donald E. Hewett, 22, Uxbridge	Rev. Delphas S. Barnett Whitinsville
	Carole D. Wright, 18, Upton	

AUGUST

18	Kenneth A. Prue, 23, Grafton	Rev. John R. Shannon Upton
	Beverly A. Francis, 21, Upton	
23	Francis E. Burpee, 28, Upton	Rev. Clifford R. Stetson Springfield, Vt.
	Geraldine V. Baker, 26, Springfield, Vt.	

SEPTEMBER

1	George J. Summers, 21, Upton	Rev. John A. Finn Grafton
	Margaret A. Kneeland, 20, Grafton	
1	Ronald N. Griffin, 20, Upton	Rev. Silvio Sartori Framingham
	Robertta E. Ciceron, 18, Framingham	
7	David D. Dewner, 29, Natick	Edward S. LeBlanc, J. of P. Nashua, N. H.
	Joan F. Cicciu, 20, Upton	

OCTOBER

6	James M. DelVecchio, 28, Milford	Rev. John R. Shannon Upton
	Eileen E. Kirby, 22, Upton	
27	Joseph M. Taxiera, 24, Mendon	Rev. John R. Shannon Upton
	Ruth J. Page, 22, Upton	

NOVEMBER

10	William H. Lemieux, 29, Worcester	Rev. John R. Shannon Upton
	Lorraine D. Berthelette, 22, Upton	
24	Robert E. Cummings, 22, Upton	Rev. Mildred B. Palmer Upton
	Doris E. Fucito, 18, Upton	

DEATHS RECORDED IN UPTON IN 1956

Date of Death	Name	Place of Burial	Age
			Y M D
JANUARY			
4	Ella (Atherton) Seaver	Whitinsville	82 2 21
11	Alphonsine (Comtois) Lapierre	Millbury	84 10 9
27	James Richardson	Westwood	80 3 12
FEBRUARY			
11	George S. Pope	Randolph, Vt.	70 11 25
12	Malcolm C. Temple	Lakeview	56 10 18
15	Maria A. (Pendergast) Taft	Worcester	87 2 5
26	Alice E. Prest	Uxbridge	73 2 3
MARCH			
10	Bernard R. McManus	Grafton	78 6 19
APRIL			
3	Rose (Lynch) Gallagher	Blackstone	81 6 15
4	Edward W. Carter	Milford	87 2 13
5	Philip H. Brown	Whitinsville	24 7 8
11	Hugh McPartlin	Framingham	82 — —
12	Samuel Blackler	Maplewood	42 10 2
13	Caroline L. (Stevens) Brigham	Worcester	80 2 19
15	William St. Andre	Lakeview	73 5 26
25	Mabel A. (Hilchey) Whitehouse	Worcester	79 6 15
30	Alson W. Adams	Lakeview	78 3 7
MAY			
1	Edward G. Rawson	Maplewood	83 4 15
3	Charles M. Webster, Jr.	Apponaug, R. I.	71 4 2
21	Nathaniel S. Jones	No. Lebanon, Me.	85 3 30
23	Anna J. (Knowland) Black	Medway	93 7 24
29	Ellsworth E. Pierce	Lakeview	77 7 15
JUNE			
11	Harriet Teal	Worcester	84 2 11
14	M. Lea (Stone) Ethier	Millbury	46 1 —
25	Leon J. Allen	Lakeview	70 — —
JULY			
1	Aubrey Brownell	Lakeview	82 4 14
21	Benjamin Dawe	Hopedale	84 2 3
24	Antoinette (Christopher) Nelson	Chicago	90 10 17

AUGUST

2	Olive O. (Gochie) Geerts	Stannard, Vt.	72	5	24
7	Mabel A. (Shorey) Allen	Littleton	86	7	2
11	Stillborn	Milford	—	—	—
14	Lester N. Hunter	Maplewood	62	5	2
16	Charles A. Davis	Maplewood	77	4	21
20	Clarence R. Sargent	Westboro	78	6	23
26	Myra L. (Davis) Wadman	Lakeview	80	11	4

SEPTEMBER

8	James F. Healy	Worcester	84	—	—
12	Jennie F. (Pierce) Thompson	Lakeview	76	11	17
21	Beatrice G. (Ellis) Cooper	Lakeview	67	9	5

OCTOBER

9	Susan W. (Urban) Brousseau	Lakeview	67	0	25
9	Ada M. (Wood) Goss	Lakeview	61	10	27
23	Barbara L. (Briggs) Weatherburn	Lakeview	30	11	9
24	John C. Griffin	Hebron, N. H.	80	3	5
26	John H. Connors	Waltham	78	—	—

NOVEMBER

1	Hannah M. (Canfield) Wallace	No. Grafton	84	7	23
6	Ida (Buck) Williams	Southboro	78	11	0
10	Edward C. Newton	Lakeview	56	5	6
14	Herbert W. Seymour	Lakeview	74	4	18
17	John Beaton	Shreveport, La.	36	—	—
19	Laura (Theriault) Dionne	Southbridge	74	6	5
21	Minnie (Laquer) Danyow	Randolph, Vt.	89	8	18
27	Edmund J. O'Connell	Lakeview	87	11	8

DECEMBER

1	John A. Demers	No. Grafton	78	8	13
6	John C. Chapin	Holden	91	8	9
21	Mary Gorman	Lakeview	14	7	18
30	Grace M. Murphy	Lakeview	75	8	9
31	Catherine A. (Barry) Howard	Malden	86	11	25

**PERSON BROUGHT TO UPTON
FOR BURIAL IN 1956**

Date of Death	Name	Place of Death	Age
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Y	M	D
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LAKEVIEW CEMETERY

FEBRUARY

6	Rose Prince	Northbridge	72	0	0
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MARCH

7	John L. Clifford	Worcester	36	2	13
10	Nancy E. MacLaughlin	Milford	83	2	28
19	Mae Raynesford	Worcester	64	9	18
31	Mary A. O'Neill	Milford	82	6	21

MAY

28	Katherine G. Albert	Boston	87	6	1
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JUNE

25	Edward D. Mowry	Worcester	58	—	—
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AUGUST

1	Georgeanna LeCour	Worcester	87	—	—
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NOVEMBER

21	Lizzie M. Struthers	Saugus	94	6	3
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MAPLEWOOD CEMETERY

FEBRUARY

25	Dr. Elmer D. Merrill	Jamaica Plain	79	4	10
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MARCH

1	Harold Knowlton	Worcester	73	5	14
8	Wilfred B. Whitney	Whitinsville	56	—	—

MAY

5	Ethel M. (Johnson) Jurentkuff	Worcester	47	1	9
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OCTOBER

24	Frances R. Knowlton	Worcester	74	7	11
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ASSESSORS' REPORT FOR 1956

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

Town of Upton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

Herewith we submit a recapitulation of the figures used in fixing the Tax Rate for the year 1956.

Total Appropriations	\$313,969.06
From Available Funds	13,150.00

1955 Overlay	\$327,119.06

1955 Overlay

713.16

Snow & Flood Appropriations

31,458.65

STATE TAX AND ASSESSMENTS

State Parks and Reservations	313.24
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	638.82

952.06

COUNTY TAX AND ASSESSMENTS

County Tax	5,481.73
1955 Underestimate	557.29
Tuberculosis Hospital	3,011.23

Overlay of current year	9,050.25
	8,650.93
Gross Amount to be raised	_____
	\$377,944.11

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS

Income Tax	\$27,207.52
Corporation Tax	8,388.09
Reimbursement on account of publicly owned land	1,227.51
Old Age Tax (Meals) Chap. 64B, \$10	1,367.04
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	25,893.00
Licenses	2,290.00
Fines	38.00
General Government	90.00
Protection of Persons and Property	192.05
Health and Sanitation	104.00
Charities	7,410.61
Old Age Assistance	27,959.34
Veterans' Services	799.84
Schools	14,742.00

Public Service Enterprises (Water)	18,339.46
Cemeteries	1,146.00
Interest: Taxes and Assessments	833.18
State Assistance for School Construction Chap. 645	5,585.83
Flood Reimbursement 90%	21,112.79
 Total Estimated Receipts	 \$164,726.26
Total of Estimated Receipts and Available Funds	204,909.58
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation	173,034.53
Number of Polls at \$2.00 each .. 907	
Poll Tax	1,814.00
Personal Tax	14,179.90
Real Estate Tax	157,040.63
Total Amount of 1956 Taxes on Polls and Property as committed to Collector ...	173,034.53
 Total Valuation:	
Personal Property	\$301,700.00
Real Estate	3,341,290.00
Total	\$3,642,990.00

Tax Rate — \$47.00

Approved by Commissioner May 10, 1956

Tax Rate Fixed on May 10, 1956.

NORMAN WALKER, *Chairman*
DONALD VARNEY
WALTER KIRBY
Board of Assessors

FOREST FIRE DEPARTMENT

Forestry Hose	
Appropriation	\$300.00
Paid to Charles H. Clougherty Co. for 500 ft. of Forestry Hose	300.00
Special Appropriation: for Portable Forest Fire Pump paid to Charles H. Clougherty	197.50
For Portable Forest Fire Pump	197.50
Forest Fire Department	
Appropriation	700.00
Unexpected Balance	27.55
	\$672.45

Expenditures

24 Forest Fires	399.85
Scholl's Garage	109.57
Charles H. Clougherty Co., Supplies	59.08
Farrar Co., Labor & Supplies	40.10
Walter Stank, issuing Fire Permits and posting notices	25.00
Walter Stank, Forest Fire Duty and Investigating Fires	12.70
Arthur Benoit, Supplies	7.00
L. W. Prentiss & Sons, Supplies	14.52
W. G. Fiske Lumber Co., Supplies	2.53
Daniel Fay, Inspection Stickers	1.00
Rudolph Scholl, Investigating Fire	1.10
 Total	 \$672.45
Number of Fire Calls	24
Town Dump Fires	2
Number of Incinerator Fires	5
Number of permits issued	927
Burning without a permit	2
Children playing with matches	3

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER STANK
Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit my report as Inspector of Animals for the year ending December 31, 1956

No. of Milk cows and heifers, 2 years and over	138
No. of heifers, 1 to 2 years	21
No. of heifer calves under 1 year	14

No. of Bulls	4
No. of Horses	20
No. of Goats	4
No. of Sheep	26
No. of Swine	175
Places where cattle are kept	38
No. of Dogs quarantined and released	4

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR W. MORRISON
Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Nothing to report

ARTHUR W. MORRISON
Inspector of Slaughtering

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSION

To the Board of Selectmen and to the voters of Upton

STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES AND INCOME

General Appropriation	\$4,200.00	
Interest	1,181.89	
Oiling & Grading	300.00	
Machinery Fund	225.00	
Total		\$5,906.89
<i>Expenditures</i>	<i>General Fund</i>	<i>Interest</i>
Supt. of Labor, Edwin Sadler	\$1,548.53	\$148.75
Edward Gurry	1,351.35	92.40
Perley Martindale	845.90	

Aldrich Lawn Mower Service	79.31	
Economy Furniture Store	86.00	
Ellington Electric Co.		75.00
Henry Atwood	2.00	
Fay's Garage	1.00	
W. G. Fiske, Lumber Co.63	
Registry of Motor Vehicles		3.00
Scholl's Garage	84.57	9.30
Mary E. Smith	15.00	
Raymond K. Smith	2.25	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co.	153.50	46.00
Woodies Greenhouse	12.00	
Totals	\$4,182.04	\$374.45
Balance	17.96	807.44
	\$4,200.00	\$1,181.89

OTHER EXPENSES

	<i>Oiling & Grading</i>
Upton Fuel & Const. Co.	\$300.00
Balance	000.00
	\$300.00
	<i>Machinery Fund</i>
Ellington Electric Co.	\$225.00
Balance	000.00
	\$225.00

INCOME

Annual Care	\$169.50
Burials	845.00
Sale of Lots	295.00
Perpetual Care	
Harvey Lesure	\$75.00
Bernard F. McKernan	50.00
Gertrude Burhoe	50.00
Gladys G. Temple	50.00
Clifton Fiske	50.00
Nelson Moss	50.00
William H. Baker	50.00
Perley H. Martindale	50.00
John Strachan, Sr.	50.00
Arthur Morrison	100.00
Jennie Comstock	50.00
Robert P. Desjardin	50.00
George Cooley	50.00
Otis Inman	50.00
Arthur M. Bartlett	50.00
Chester Inman	50.00
Raymond K. Smith	50.00

Joseph W. Gorman	150.00
Percy Foster	50.00
Homer Cormier	50.00
Edward Gurry	50.00
Joseph Colbert	50.00
Aubrey Brownell	75.00
Gordon J. Weatherburn	75.00
Chester L. Cooper	75.00
William Kirby	50.00
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	\$1,550.00
Total Income	\$2,859.50
Annual Care Abated	\$7.50

Respectfully Submitted,

EDWARD J. GURRY
DONALD R. KENISTON
RAYMOND K. SMITH

REPORT OF MODERATOR

The *Annual Town Meeting* was held Saturday afternoon at 2 P.M., on March 10, 1956. 31 articles were in the Warrant, and acted upon. Total appropriations were \$323,812.64. For the first time in the 221-year history of Upton, the town is to have a full-time police officer. Police Chief Daniel H. Bates was the appointee of the Board of Selectmen.

At the opening of the meeting, resolutions were passed in memory of Malcolm C. Temple, who died February 12, while chairman of the Board of Selectmen. For many years he served as moderator and also on town committees. Voters stood in one-minute's silence in his memory after Chairman of Selectmen George N. Blakeslee read the resolutions.

A *Special Town Meeting* was held on Tuesday, May 23, 1956, at which time the voters discharged with a vote of thanks the special committee whose appointment to study the advisability of a regional school for Upton which was authorized in March of 1953. Under another article it was voted to have the moderator

name a new committee of three to continue such a study. The new committee is composed of Donald B. Johnson, Lawrence Atwood and Mrs. Elsie J. Craib.

Special Town Meetings were also held on July 31st and October 30th 1956.

I thank the voters and all the officials of the Town of Upton for the courtesy shown me during these four Town Meetings.

George W. Grebenstein
Moderator

REPORT OF THE TAX COLLECTOR

1954 Real Estate		
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1956		\$135.77
Paid Treasurer	\$59.33	
Deputy Collector's Deficiency Acct.	23.10	
Tax Titles	53.34	
		135.77
Interest Paid Treasurer	2.50	
Fees Paid Treasurer	5.05	
1955 EXCISE		
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1956	1,559.35	
Committed Jan. 5, 1956	1,514.60	
Committed Jan. 23, 1956	285.34	
Committed Feb. 16, 1956	86.96	
		3,446.25
Paid Treasurer	3,231.24	
Abated	210.74	
Deputy Collector's Deficiency Acct.	4.27	
		3,446.25
Fees Paid Treasurer	84.65	
1955 PERSONAL		
Outstanding Jan. 1, 1956		817.87
Paid Treasurer	660.37	
Abated	157.50	
		817.87
Interest Paid Treasurer	13.30	
Fees Paid Treasurer	4.30	

1955 REAL ESTATE

Outstanding Jan. 1, 1956	15,522.35
Paid Treasurer	15,052.75
Tax Titles	469.60
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Interest Paid Treasurer	15,522.35
Fees Paid Treasurer	248.03
	48.55

1956 POLLS

Committed March 21, 1956	1,814.00
Paid Treasurer	1,418.00
Abated	396.00
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Fees Paid Treasurer	1,814.00
	41.60

1956 EXCISE

Committed April 2, 1956	2,761.71
Committed May 7, 1956	4,059.84
Committed July 16, 1956	2,431.19
Committed August 7, 1956	2,185.24
Committed October 25, 1956	7,235.59
Committed December 3, 1956	2,812.59
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Paid Treasurer	16,292.83
Abated	724.55
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1956	4,468.78
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Fees Paid Treasurer	21,486.16
	26.95

1956 PERSONAL

Committed May 23, 1956	14,179.90
Paid Treasurer	13,532.24
Abated	20.68
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1956	626.98
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	14,179.90

1956 REAL ESTATE

Committed May 23, 1956	157,040.63
Paid Treasurer	134,385.08
Abated	7,766.99
Tax Titles	816.39
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1956	14,072.17
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Interest Paid Treasurer	\$157,040.63
	10.76

CLEMENT J. LAMBERT
Collector of Taxes

1956 ANNUAL REPORT OF TOWN COLLECTOR

WATER DEPARTMENT

Outstanding January 1, 1956	\$688.06
Committed January 11, 1956	7,961.52
Committed July 16, 1956	9,714.11
Committed August 28, 1956	200.00
Committed September 24, 1956	1,510.00
Committed November 1, 1956	349.00
	<u>\$20,422.69</u>
Paid Treasurer	17,219.18
Error in 1/11/56 Commitment	852.67
Abated	271.07
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1956	<u>2,079.77</u>
	<u>20,422.69</u>

SEWER DEPARTMENT

Outstanding January 1, 1956	215.00
Committed January 11, 1956	1,181.25
Committed July 16, 1956	1,181.25
	<u>2,577.50</u>
Paid Treasurer	2,100.00
Abated	35.00
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1956	<u>442.50</u>
	<u>2,577.50</u>

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Annual Care of Lots	257.00
Paid Treasurer	169.50
Abated	7.50
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1956	80.00
	<u>257.00</u>
Sale of Lots	295.00
Perpetual Care of Lots	1,550.00
Funerals	845.00
	<u>2,690.00</u>
Paid Treasurer	2,690.00
(Money received, credited to respective departments and turned over to Treasurer)	2,690.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Sale of 1929 fire truck	15.00
Rental of Town Ambulance	90.50
	<u>105.50</u>

TOWN HALL

Rental of Town Hall	45.00
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WATER DEPARTMENT

Curb Cock Service Charge	75.00
Sale of Bid Specifications, 1955 Water	
Extensions	30.00
	105.00

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

American Bonding Company, Deputy Collector's Deficiency Account	58.88
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WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Reimbursements by Town of Hadley (OAA)	158.00
Reimbursements by Town of Hopedale (OAA) ..	98.69
Reimbursements by Town of Grafton (OAA) ..	53.20
Reimbursements by Town of Northbridge (OAA)	489.74
Reimbursements by Town of Southbridge (OAA)	54.11
Reimbursements by Town of Westboro (OAA) ..	8.50
Reimbursements by Town of Hawley (GR)	191.00
	1,053.24
State and Federal Reimbursements 11/1/56	
Old Age Assistance (State)	3,212.39
Old Age Assistance (Fed.)	2,503.57
Disability Assistance (State)	360.76
Disability Assistance (Fed.)	620.00
Aid to Dependent Children (Fed.)	361.47
	7,058.19
Recovery Under Chap. 118 Sec. 4A (OAA)	1,834.60
Recovery Under Chap. 118 Sec. 4 (OAA)	15,524.89
	\$ 17,359.49

CLEMENT J. LAMBERT
Town Collector

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Appropriation for 1956	\$5,500.00
Appropriation Expended	5,203.52
Unexpended	296.48
Salary of Police Chief	2,894.30
Cruiser Mileage	10,557 miles
	738.98
Labor and Police Duty	1,210.27
Police Telephone Service	185.65
Bills contracted in interest of Police Dept.	174.12
Total Expended	\$5,203.52

Summary of Year's Activities

Motor Vehicle accidents investigated	
Fatal	2
Property Damage	30
Personal Injuries	13
Injured	23
Aid to distressed persons	13
Breaking entering Cases	6
Bicycles registered	102
Consultations	60
Complaints investigated	133
Doors found unlocked	13
Dogs killed	12
Dog bites	14
Dogs injured	11
Cars stopped—various violation and warnings given	61
Disturbances quelled	19
Larceny complaints investigated	3
Lost persons returned	7
Licenses recommended suspended	6
Licenses recommended restored	12
Licenses removed by Registrar	17
Assistance to outside Police	67
Property recovered	4
Gun permits renewed	27
Gun permits issued O. K.'d by Selectmen	4
Gun permits granted to purchase	3
Cars tagged for various violations	15
Messages delivered	11
Traffic duty	591 hrs.
Court cases	
Speeding	7
Stop signs	15
Operating so as to endanger	1
Failure to keep to the right	3
Driving under the influence of liquor	2
Failing to follow directional signs	2
Unregistered motor vehicle	1
Uninsured motor vehicle	1
Operating without license	1
Faulty equipment	3
Failure to produce a registration	1
Failure to stop before passing school bus	1
Assault with dangerous weapon	1

Assault and Battery	2
Drunkenness	4
Breaking and entering in daytime	1
Cases pending	3
Convictions	42
Total amount of Fines Assessed	\$298.50

BILLS PAID IN 1956 BY POLICE DEPARTMENT

New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	\$185.65
Walter Costello—Annual New Laws	5.00
J. C. Fabricotti, D. V. M. Services	10.00
Janet Caton—Typing	2.00
Alice Martindale—Typing	3.00
Henry Atwood—Bicycle Cards	3.00
Massachusetts Chief Police Association Dues	5.00
N. E. Police Association Dues	5.00
Charlescraft—Envelopes	5.20
Commonwealth of Mass.—Bicycle Registrations75
Ralph Briggs—Shells	2.85
Kindell Screen Products—Police Panels	9.60
Fred Wood's Pharmacy—First Aid Kit	8.75
The Gamewell Co.—Supplies	15.77
Lloyd Crosby—Labor and supplies	21.53
Commonwealth of Mass.—Bicycle Plates	6.59
Henry Atwood—Inspection notices	3.00
Chief D. H. Bates—Postage58
Chester Inman—Accident Photos	6.00
Arthur J. LeClaire—Disposal of dogs	13.00
Emma Tornwall—Mimeographing	1.50
Lester Brozeau—Dogs disposed of	46.20

Total \$359.97

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL H. BATES,
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE

To the Board of Selectmen:

The year 1956 has passed and the Town of Upton is still located in a *Reception Zone* in Area 3, Section 3B with the Sector Headquarters at the Milford High School, and Area Headquarters at the Lyman School in Westboro. *Theodore Aptt* is the *Sector C. D. Director* and *Harold F. Rossi* the *Area C. D. Director*.

When a *State of Emergency* is declared, all Upton requests for outside aid and assistance are to be transmitted to the Sector 3B Headquarters via telephone (Milford 851) or over our gonset communicator which has been installed in the Selectmen's Room—the *Control Center*—at the Upton Town Hall. The frequency is 53.50.

Effective in January of 1957 Civil Defense Organizations become eligible to participate in the Surplus Property Program. This provides a reservoir of all types of usable equipment and supplies that can be procured for operational training, and stockpiling at negligible expense.

Considerable emphasis during the coming year will be placed on training. Since the M.C.D.A. Training Center opened at Topsfield last summer, residents of many towns and cities have taken these training courses in Radiac, Rescue and Welfare Services.

The federally financed Massachusetts Survival Planning Project should provide considerable assistance to local communities during the coming months. This is a private survey group making a study of all phases of Civil Defense with the basic purpose of assisting communities in the formulation of adequate local Civil Defense plans. It may be of interest to you to know that on December 14, 1956 the writer completed a two weeks course on Preliminary Operational Survival Planning Program (POSPP) at the M.C.D.A. Training Center, Topsfield, Mass.

Radioactive Fallout. The term "*fallout*" is used to describe radioactive material produced by a *Nuclear Explosion*. The par-

ticles are contaminated by radioactive products of the bomb and fall back to earth over a wide area and are *extremely dangerous* to you. The only way to detect a dangerous fallout area is by radiological monitoring with instruments to measure radiation. During four of the Saturdays in November, your director in conjunction with Eugene I. Whiting attended courses at Holy Cross College from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Father Thomas Smith of the Physics Department conducted the course. *Mr. Whiting* will be the *Upton Radiac Officer*. Much thought has been given to *Your Survival* and he will soon set up Monitoring classes in Upton. Two complete *Radiac Training Kits* have been supplied by the M.C.D. A. *without cost* to Upton for the training of our Service Monitors. *The co-operation of all is solicited.*

Air Raid Instructions. Civil Defense Air Raid Instruction cards (size 8" x 11") revised were delivered to *every household* during the early part of 1956. Those households not receiving these cards should notify your local director. *This is very important*, because we here in Upton being in the Reception Zone have been scheduled to shelter 6000 evacuees from Shrewsbury who would arrive via Routes 122 and 140 in case of an enemy caused disaster.

C. D. Meetings. There have been many meetings that the writer has attended during 1956; some at Milford High School as well as at the Little Theatre, Worcester, such as Police, Fire, Rescue, Welfare, Radiac, Industry, Communications, etc.

The *First Aid Class* of the American Red Cross concluded a ten (10) weeks course on December 10. The following persons received certificates:

Mrs. Elsie Craib	Mrs. Mary Pope
Mrs. Marion Francis	Mrs. Catherine Saucier
Mrs. Betty Lemoine	Mrs. Elizabeth Saucier
Mrs. June Marshall	Miss Marlene Temple
Mrs. Charlotte Morris	Miss Doris Page
Mrs. Frances Page	Miss Rita Bigwood
Miss Ida-Marie Page	Mr. Leo Lamanuzzi

Will any local person holding a Red Cross First Aid certificate, who desires to become an instructor please advise your local C. D. Director, for there is need of additional First Aid Instructors, as well as for persons to take the First Aid Course. *Each local family should be represented.*

Use of Matching Funds. The Forest Fire Department purchased a Hall F. V. Z. Portable Pump 2½", which normally would cost \$395.00 for \$197.50 through C. D. Matching Funds, thus saving a substantial sum of money for the town; so again I wish to call your attention to the advisability of installing a Two Way Radio Communication System for Fire, Police, Highway, Sewer and Water Departments before it is too late. Portable sets may be obtained. Please refer to the writers 1955 C. D. Report.

The Defense Council consists of Charles R. Stuart, Edward Prentiss, Dr. Bernard F. McKernan, Henry J. Poirier and Edward J. Kuczinski.

The *Control Center* is located at the Upton Town Hall. Tel. Lakeside 9-6901 in time of emergency.

The following C. D. Services are headed by these individuals:

	<i>Director</i>	
George W. Grebenstein	<i>Fire</i>	Tel Lakeside 9-6561
George N. O. Poirier, LA 9-6611 or 9-7761 (Fire Sta. LA 9-3421)		
	<i>Police</i>	
Daniel H. Bates		LA 9-3411
	<i>Public Information</i>	
George G. Newton		LA 9-6500 or Milford 262M
	<i>Welfare (C. W. A. D.)</i>	
Clement J. Lambert		LA 9-6918
	<i>Medical and Health</i>	
Dr. Bernard F. McKernan		LA 9-6248
	<i>Communications</i>	
Gerald L. Shaughnessy		LA 9-3870
	<i>Communications Alternate</i>	
Mrs. Edith J. Shaughnessy		LA 9-3870
	<i>Radiac Officer</i>	
Eugene I. Whiting		LA 9-3420

Disaster Chairman (American Red Cross)

Eugene I. Whiting	LA 9-3420
	<i>Chief Warden</i>
Rudolph J. Scholl	LA 9-7731 or 9-3836

Rescue and Transportation

Henry J. Poirier	LA 9-6216 or 9-7761
	<i>Highway</i>
Henry J. Poirier	LA 9-6216 or 9-7761

Registration and Inquiry

Edward J. Furphy	LA 9-6588
	Memorial School Building LA 9-6931

Feeding and Clothing

Edward J. Kuczinski	LA 9-3886 or 9-6909
	<i>Housing</i>
William R. Woodward	LA 9-6937

Financial Assistance

Clement J. Lambert	LA 9-6918
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The *Blood Donation Center* for Upton is located at the Memorial School Building under Dr. Bernard F. McKernan's supervision. Will prospective donors please advise Dr. McKernan.

Balance	\$6.02
1956 Appropriation	<u>\$397.50</u>
	\$403.52
Expenditures	197.50
	\$206.02
1957 Balance on Hand	

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen, the Town Clerk, the Road Commissioner, the Chief of Police and the Chief of the Fire Department, the Water and Sewer Departments, the School Committee, the American Red Cross, the Civil Defense Council, the Upton Woman's Club as well as the officers and members of our other local organizations, the Chairmen of each C. D. Services and its personnel and many others for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. GREBENSTEIN
Upton Civil Defense Director

REPORT OF PARK COMMISSION

Appropriation	\$400.00
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EXPENSES

Russell Hallberg, labor	\$51.70
Victor SanSouci, labor	6.60
Donald Aldrich, labor	5.63
W. G. Fiske Lumber Co., supplies	13.67
Eugene Closson, power mower	60.00
Ralph's Filling Station, gasoline	2.84
Joseph Berube, labor	1.00
Michael O'Donnell, labor	5.00
Wood's Greenhouses, supplies	40.00
Upton Fuel & Construction Co.	45.00
Louis Larson, parts	5.00
James C. Usher, labor	40.25
Daniel Fay, labor, parts	78.54
Geo. Rivers, labor	2.00
Arthur Bartlett, labor	20.72
Leonard Lamanuzzi	7.00
	\$384.95

Unexpended Balance	15.05
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ARTHUR K. McCARTY
 JOSEPH F. KEARNAN
 F. E. ALDRICH, Clerk

**REPORT OF THE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE**

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE REPORT

For the year ending December 31, 1956

Town Appropriation	\$46,000.00
Federal Grant carried forward from 1955	174.01
Federal Grants received during 1956	27,331.44
Total Available	<u>\$73,505.45</u>
Expended	<u>\$71,496.66</u>
Balance	2,008.79
Less Federal Grant carried forward to 1957	1,994.09
Unexpended Balance Remaining	<u>\$14.70</u>
Cases Aided in this Report	82
Recoveries made under Chapter 118, Section 4	<u>\$15,524.89</u>
Section 4A	1,834.60
Amounts Due Town of Upton—OAA	
City of Worcester	\$307.78
Town of Grafton	37.30
Town of Hopedale	160.02
Town of Holliston	47.01
Town of Southbridge	80.86
Town of Westboro	22.70
Total Amount Due	<u>\$655.67</u>

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN REPORT

For the year ending December 31, 1956

Town Appropriation	\$5,000.00
Federal Grants carried forward from 1955	824.94
Federal Grants received during 1956	<u>2,990.30</u>
Total Available	<u>\$8,815.24</u>
Expended	<u>\$6,423.00</u>
Balance	2,392.24
Less Federal Grant carried forward to 1957	2,392.24
Unexpended Balance Remaining00
Cases Aided in this Report	10
Persons Aided in this Report	24

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE REPORT

For the year ending December 31, 1956

Town Appropriation	\$7,100.00
Transfer from Finance Committee	578.20
Federal Grants carried forward from 1955	460.65
Federal Grants received during 1956	<u>4,282.30</u>
Total Available	<u>\$12,421.15</u>

Expended	11,969.41
Balance	451.74
Less Federal Grant carried forward to 1957 ..	451.74
Unexpended Balance Remaining	00
Cases Aided in this Report	14

GENERAL RELIEF REPORT

For the year ending December 31, 1956

Town Appropriation	\$2,000.00
Expended	1,489.39
Unexpended Balance Remaining	510.61
Expended for:	
Cash Aid	\$829.00
Food	276.63
Fuel	58.26
Rent	30.00
Medical	286.70
M.scellaneous	8.80
Total	\$1,489.39
Reimbursed for aid rendered	\$836.56
Cases Aided in this Report	7
Persons Aided in this Report	14
Amount Due Town of Upton—GR	
City of Worcester	\$117.03

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE
ADMINISTRATION REPORT

For the year ending December 31, 1956

Town Appropriation	\$2,800.00
OAA Federal Grant carried forward from 1955 ..	409.86
OAA Federal Grants received during 1956	1,776.14
ADC Federal Grant carried forward from 1955 ..	25.22
ADC Federal Grants received during 1956	377.91
DA Federal Grant carried forward from 1955 ..	166.07
DA Federal Grants received during 1956	294.40
Total Available	\$5,849.60
Expended	5,238.34
Balance	611.26
Less OAA Federal Grant carried forward to 1957	454.91
Less ADC Federal Grant carried forward to 195787
Less DA Federal Grant carried forward to 1957	155.48
Unexpended Balance Remaining	611.26
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Expended for:	
Salaries	\$4,665.00
Travel	207.48
Postage	131.84
Office Supplies	53.62
Telephone	176.80
Miscellaneous	3.60
Total	\$5,238.34

LEROY G. NEWTON
 CHARLES F. CATON
 GEORGE J. VICTOR
Board of Public Welfare

WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS

For the year ending December 31, 1956

We held our first meeting Tuesday, March 9, 1956 and elected Walter E. Hopkins, chairman, and John J. Fitch, clerk for the coming year. We appointed Henry J. Poirier, Supt., and Mrs. Ashley M. Perkins, clerk and bookkeeper.

This past year we had installed a new metal cover on the settling tank at our sewer beds. This corrects a very bad safety hazard and also enables an easier method of cleaning. We had removed, three non-working hydrants at residence of Henry Smith, at gate of fence back of factory and Maple Avenue. These hydrants were replaced by new ones under new construction. We have left to do on repairs, Depot St. in West Upton that should be replaced with a new water main and hydrants. We painted the windows and repaired the door at our pumping station. We should in the near future install an automatic heating system in Pump House. We intend to seal all meters in near future and replace any out of order.

NEW CONSTRUCTION

We installed a 6-inch main on Lower Brooks Street, approx. 400 feet. We gained five new water customers, and installed a new hydrant giving fire protection to entire street.

We installed an 8-inch main on Hartford Ave. and completed a 6-inch main from Fiske Avenue. This connected three dead ends together, also giving better fire protection to entire Town. This enables us to pump water three different ways in an emergency. We installed on Hartford Ave., 3 new hydrants and 1 on Fiske Avenue. We gained on Hartford Ave. and Fiske Ave., nineteen new customers. We also installed a 10-inch water main on Maple Street and one new hydrant. We gained on customers on Maple St., the sum of six.

We feel that the Town should slow down on new construction in future as we are going the wrong way to ever becoming self-supporting. We feel that a sum of money should be set up to be used each year on new construction and install small extensions each year and grow with our system and income. By small extensions, we mean a street could be laid over a period of four or five years, and installing such extensions where we would receive the most income and future building. The water system is becoming larger and will require more maintenance as we go forward, also will require more money to operate.

OUTSTANDING LOANS OF WATER DEPT. ON Dec. 31, 1956

Large Loan	\$110,000.00
Water Mains Loan	82,000.00
Water Repairs Loan	20,000.00
Water Mains & Ext. Loan	23,000.00
1956 Loan	<u>33,000.00</u>
 Total	 <u>\$268,000.00</u>

Money to be paid on Principal in year 1957 will be \$18,000.00 plus a large sum for interest, approximately the sum of \$8,857.50, making a grand sum of \$26,857.50.

The number of hydrants, water customers and sewer customers are as follows:

Hydrants	60
Sewer customers	70, equals 141 units
Water customers	312, equals 427 units
Number of meters in use	274
 Water Receipts:	
Outstanding, January 1, 1956	\$688.06
Water Service for 1956	12,864.15
Hydrant Rental	2,750.00
Curb Service	3,060.00
Sale of Junk	282.81
Unclaimed specifications deposits on bids	<u>30.00</u>
 Total	 <u>\$19,675.02</u>

Water abated in 1956	271.07
Outstanding, December 31, 1956	<u>2,079.77</u>
	2,350.84
Total Water Receipts for 1956	\$17,324.18
Sewer Receipts:	
Outstanding, January 1, 1956	\$215.00
Sewer Service for 1956	<u>2,362.50</u>
	2,577.50
Sewer abated in 1956	35.00
Outstanding, December 31, 1956	<u>442.50</u>
	477.50
Total Sewer Receipts for 1956	\$2,100.00
Total Water and Sewer Receipts for year ending December 31, 1956	\$19,424.18
Water and Sewer Maintenance Account	\$5,250.00
Worcester County Electric Co.,	
current for pumps	\$2,105.38
Upton Fuel & Construction Co., fuel for pump house, water and sewer repairs, services installed	1,465.30
Henry J. Poirier, postage and express charges, and labor	51.28
Ephraim Boss, labor	3.75
Edward Fisher, labor	3.75
Goff Heavener, labor	3.75
Walter A. Hopkins, labor	11.25
Walter Kuczinski, labor	11.25
Ernest Ramsey, labor	11.25
George Dean, labor	99.00
Charles L. Lynch, Inc., curb stops and curb boxes	89.73
Johnson Bros. (Westboro), machinery hire	57.50
Badger Meter Co., new meters	312.48
Robert B. Paine, material and labor	480.99
Central Supply Co., pipe and clamps	34.77
Herbert Therrien, cement-lined pipe	35.00
W. G. Fiske Lumber Co., paint and glass	23.10
Samuel F. Mitchell, electrical fixtures and labor	53.62
R. H. White Construction Co., water and sewer repairs	159.05
New England Meter Repair Co., repairing meters	124.89
Town of Northbridge, real estate tax	16.00
Edward Rock, mowing field at pumping station	10.00
Walter E. Hopkins, keys for pumping station75
J. Laurence Doyle, legal fees	70.00

Edward Orff, stove for pump house	15.00
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Unexpended balance	\$1.16
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Clerk and Clerical Account	\$400.00
Elinor Perkins, clerical work	\$283.75
Cahill's News Agency, supplies	19.88
Joseph W. Gorman, stamped envelopes	33.16
Henry G. Atwood, printing post cards	2.25
Charlescraft Press, printing bills	17.30
Henry J. Poirier, postage and express chgs.	4.67
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Unexpended balance	\$361.01
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Expense Account	\$100.00
Thomas Francis, measuring pipe lines	\$37.00
Walter E. Hopkins, measuring pipe lines, drawing releases for Town of Upton against R. H. White Co.	40.00
John J. Fitch, measuring pipe lines	18.00
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Unexpended balance	\$38.99
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Special Appropriation	\$95.00
R. H. White Company, labor and material	\$1,452.99
1955-1956 Loan, Warren Road	
Balance	\$1,962.54
Transferred to Water Main & Ext. Loan	\$700.00
J. Gavigan and Company, material	1,016.70
Upton Fuel and Construction Co., gravel	63.00
Henry J. Poirier, labor	73.00
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Unexpended balance	\$1,852.70
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1955-1956 Loan, Water Main Repairs and Extensions:	\$109.84
Balance	\$14,261.15
Transferred from Warren Road Loan	700.00
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Upton Fuel and Construction Co.	\$14,961.15
equipment, material and labor	\$1,642.91
Henry J. Poirier, labor	443.00
Ephraim Boss, labor	178.13
Edward Fisher, labor	178.75
Goff Heavener, labor	189.38
J. Gavigan and Co., new construction	7,454.63
Delwyn K. Barnes, engineering fees	212.74

Charles L. Lynch, Inc., copper tubing, curb stops and curb boxes	232.80
Milford Water Co., one union	2.75
Badger Meter Co., new meters	156.24
Scenic Hill Development, transite pipe	54.08
R. H. White Construction Co. material and labor	904.54
Young Heating Supplies, copper tubing	60.28
Milford Daily News, advertising	27.00
Henley-Lundgren Co., Inc., material	33.28
Upton Mimeographing Service, printing	31.65
Johnson Brothers (Westboro), new construction	1,500.00
J. Laurence Doyle, legal fees	10.00
John Allen, labor	151.25
C. Sanderson, Jr., labor	154.38
Francis Paille, labor	1.25
Shirley McKellar, clerical work	60.00
Victor Paille, labor	3.50
Trimount Bituminous Products Co., asphalt	347.00
Varney Bros. Sand and Gravel, Inc., patch	195.36
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	\$14,224.90
Unexpended balance	\$736.25
 1956 Water Mains Loan	\$33,000.00
George G. Newton, advertising	\$52.65
Upton Fuel and Construction Co., new construction	85.98
M. C. Allen—Associates, tees, plugs and bends	212.84
Hilco Supply, Inc., pipe and gate boxes	1,574.84
Consigli Construction Co., new construction	10,000.00
Young Heating Supplies, copper tubing	245.70
Charles L. Lynch, Inc., copper tubing, gate boxes, curb stops and boxes	490.00
Henry J. Poirier, labor	434.00
Johns-Manville, cement-lined transite pipe	9,196.60
Badger Meter Co., new meters	526.32
Edward A. Page, painting hydrants	21.00
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	\$22,839.93
Unexpended balance	\$10,160.07

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER E. HOPKINS, *Chairman*
THOMAS L. FRANCIS
JOHN J. FITCH, *Clerk*

BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT

During the year the following reportable diseases were received by this Board:

Lobar Pneumonia	1
Chicken Pox	15
German Measles	3
Infectious Hepatitis	1
Mumps	2
Scarlet Fever	2
Tuberculosis	2
Dog Bites	6

Permits were issued for the removal, transport and disposal of garbage, offal or other offensive substances to:

Arthur Jarrett, Westboro Rd.	\$1.00
Ed and Harvey, Main St.	\$1.00

Two shipments of Polio Vaccine were received during the year for Town Clinic and personal physician administration.

The first shipment was used as follows:

Town Clinic		Physicians
160	Under 5	30
95	5-9 years	6
150	10-14 years	4
11	Pregnant Women	5

The second shipment was used as follows:

Town Clinic		Physicians
284	Under 5	20
127	5-9 years	6
50	10-14 years	5
36	14-19 years	10
10	Pregnant Women	0

Our town had as high a per capita ratio as anywhere throughout the country with this disease.

Vaccine has been made available for the shots as a preventative measure.

Now is the time to take advantage of preventative measures.

Respectfully submitted,

G. N. BLAKESLEE, Clerk

**REPORT OF DEPARTMENT OF
VETERANS' SERVICES**

APPROPRIATION	\$4000.00
Transfer Reserve Fund	1400.00
Total	\$5400.00
Veterans' Benefits Expenses (General)	
Sundry Persons Cash	\$4248.77
F. W. Wood Pharmacy, W. Upton, Mass.	41.20
Stop & Shop, Milford, Mass.	60.06
Fairlawn Super Market, W. Upton, Mass.	75.00
Bernard F. McKernan, M.D.	64.00
Upton Fuel & Const. Co.	22.59
Kinder Shoe Inc., Milford, Mass.	9.95
Tafts Super Mkt., Northbridge, Mass.	20.00
L. W. Prentiss & Sons	99.13
Town Line Dairy	8.88
Total	\$4649.58
Balance	750.42
Estimated State Reimbursement	\$2574.94

EXPENSE ACCOUNT	
Appropriation	\$75.00
235 miles at \$.07 per mile	\$16.45
300 \$.03 Stamps	9.00
Telephone Calls	5.98
Photostatic Copies of Discharges	4.00
Southern Worcester County Vet. Association ..	5.00
Henry Atwood	2.00
Mary E. Smith	25.00
Total	\$67.43
Balance	\$ 7.57

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND K. SMITH
Director of Veterans' Services

DEPARTMENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

REPORT OF THE SEALER — 1956

In the year of 1956 the following Weighing and Measuring devices were tested and sealed.

5 Oil or Grease measuring devices
 16 Gasoline Pumps
 9 Liquid Measures (1 gal. & under)
 1 Wire Cloth measuring device
 1 Yard Stick
 25 Scales
 19 Weights

76 Total Units Sealed

Sealing Fees turned over to the Town Treasurer	\$45.80
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Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR F. BARTLETT
Sealer

REPORT OF TREE WARDEN

Appropriation	\$1000.00
Donald Keniston, Services	\$218.75
Robert Stuart, Services	202.50
Ronald Bradford, Services	102.50
Harry Damon, Services	81.25
Theron Pope, Jr., Services	18.75
Robert Ramsey, Services	15.00
Edward St. Andre, Services	15.00
Price & Fletcher, Sky-worker Hire	99.75
Harry Damon, Saw Hire	122.00
Donald Keniston, Pick-up Hire	63.00

Edward St. Andre, Truck Hire	22.20
Upton Fuel & Construction Co. Inc.,	
Loader Hire	19.50
W. G. Fiske Lumber Co., Supplies..	19.26
Total	\$999.46
Balance	\$.54

Respectfully submitted,

RONALD L. BRADFORD
Tree Warden

REPORT OF MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

CHAPTER 761—DUTCH ELM SANITATION

Appropriation	\$1000.00
Donald Keniston, Services	\$91.25
Harry Damon, Services	73.75
Robert Stuart, Services	71.25
Ronald Bradford, Services	57.50
John Bowen, Services	20.00
Edward St. Andre, Services	10.00
Alfred Saucier, Services	10.00
Morton Hebb, Services	6.25
Francis Aldrich, Services	5.00
Price & Fletcher, Sky Worker Hire	436.13
Harry Damon, Saw Hire	118.00
Donald Keniston, Pick-up Hire	62.00
Upton Fuel & Const. Co. Inc., Loader Hire ..	16.25
Edward St. Andre, Truck Hire	14.80
William Walker, Filing Saws	5.50
Ronald Bradford, Postage	2.05
Total	\$ 999.73
Balance	\$.27

CHAPTER 660—INSECT PEST CONTROL

Appropriation	\$600.00
Ronald Bradford, Services	\$111.25
Robert Stuart, Services	91.25
Donald Keniston, Services	86.25
John Bowen, Services	60.00
Harry Damon, Services	26.25

Theron Pope, Jr., Services	5.00
Upton Fuel & Constr. Co. Inc., Truck Hire ...	156.68
Donald Keniston, Pick-up Hire	49.00
Robert Ramsey, Pick-up Hire	8.00
Scholls Garage, Gasoline & Oil	4.18
Ronald Bradford, Supplies	1.50
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Total	\$ 599.36
Balance	\$.64

Respectfully submitted,

RONALD L. BRADFORD
Moth Superintendent

REPORT OF FIRE ENGINEERS

Appropriation	\$3,800.00
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Expenditures:	
New England Tel. and Tel.	\$136.55
L. R. Thompson	590.63
L. W. Prentiss Son	30.54
W. G. Fiske	21.01
Walter Stank	264.00
Worcester County Elec.	150.88
Bob Aldrich	50.25
Weston Light Co.	40.50
Overhead Door Co.	44.00
Seavers Express	2.06
Fred Pivers	18.00
Worcester Diamond T	4.10
Curran Co.	9.80
Scholls Garage	109.91
Farrar Company	56.45
Standard Auto Gear	150.00
Charles Clougherty Co.	313.43
C. C. McKeen Co.	26.60
Arrow Elec. Co.	20.01
Pages Garage	5.50
Walter Hopkins Son	10.23
Clam Shop	11.57
Ted Haley	15.00

Cahills	5.50
Christe Thompson	29.29
Fays Garage	4.00
Bobbets Service Shop	85.23
Thomas Francis	55.00
Milford Auto Parts	1.35
Salaries of Fireman	<u>1,526.10</u>
 Total	 <u>\$3,787.50</u>
 Balance	 <u>\$12.50</u>
Alarms—16	
Still Alarms—8	
Oil Permits Issued—41	
Gas Permits Issued—13	

AMBULANCE REPORT 1956

Appropriation	\$600.00
Transferred	120.00
 Total	 <u>\$720.00</u>
Expenditures:	
Shermans Laundry	\$20.18
Harold Francis	57.71
Walter Stank	110.21
Ralph Francis	2.50
Thomas Francis	11.25
Edward Rock	35.23
Paul McDonnell	75.30
Doug Gilquist	8.12
Donald Wellman	25.61
Orrin Francis	28.74
Rudy Scholls	100.93
Alfred Aldrich	41.25
Ernest Porter	2.50
Nelson Mosso	2.50
Doug Keniston	3.13
Wm. McClure Jr.	2.50
George Bishop	6.88
Kendell Wood	3.13
John Allen	2.50
Walter Hopkins Jr.	1.87

Paul Dexter	2.50
Donald Aldrich	5.63
Scholls Garage	121.56
Pages Garage	46.22
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Total	\$717.95
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Balance	\$2.05
Trips Made—104	

FIRE ALARM SYSTEM 1956

Appropriation	\$500.00
Transferred	100.00
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Total	\$600.00
Expenditures:	
New England Tel. and Tel.	\$318.60
Worcester County Elec.	40.00
Sam Mitchell	40.35
Francis Aldrich	10.00
Gamewell Co.	87.22
Thomas Francis	11.25
Lloyd Crosbey	27.00
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Total	\$534.42
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Balance	\$65.58

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

REPORT OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Chapter 81 funds, used for maintenance of 81 roads, including graveling, drainage, patching and surface treatments.

Chapter 90 Maintenance was used for oiling and maintenance of Hopkinton, Mendon, and Westboro streets.

Chapter 90 Construction project on Pleasant St. was held up due to late arrival of specifications. Trees and stumps have been removed and now ready for fill.

Due to the severe winter, the \$9,000.00 Snow Removal appropriation was insufficient and additional funds were necessary.

On Crockett Rd. more gravel added, two curves widened, and drainage improved by additional culverts.

Pleasant St. sidewalk completed as planned and Maple Ave. sidewalk resurfaced to the Donald property.

Christian Hill Rd. and South St. were oiled as planned.

On Taft St., just off Elm, twin culverts replaced old stone culverts, damaged in flood thus eliminating a very hazardous condition; a new culvert installed on Stoddard St., and on River St., a large multi-plate arch culvert was installed to take care of the water flowing from Pratt into Mill Pond.

Bridges damaged in the flood have had the following repairs: abutments, metal I beams, and new deck replacement on West River St.; replanking of large South St. bridge; abutment on west side of Pleasant St. bridge; new wing walls on Mendon St. box culvert; and completion of lower Hartford Ave., Station St., Fiske Mill Rd., and both bridges on Fowler St.

At this time, I wish to thank all the Town Departments, the Department of Public Works, and the townspeople, for their cooperation, in any way, during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY J. POIRIER
Road Commissioner

CHAPTER 81

Appropriation	\$21,000.00
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Labor

Henry J. Poirier	\$1,721.00
Ephraim Boss	1,098.79
Edward Fisher	845.04
Goff Heavner	1,063.16
Shirley A. McKellar, clerk	340.00
John Allen	338.75
Romauldo Severi	86.40
Walter Stank	5.00
Charles Sanderson, Jr.	194.38
Francis Paille	60.01
John Kirby	61.25
George Gorman	99.38
Ernest Henchey	11.25
Alcide Bouthiette	16.00

\$ 5,940.41

Machinery Hire

Upton Fuel & Constr. Co. Inc., trucks, grader, bulldozer	\$ 7,928.34
Town of Northbridge, roller	48.00
Warren Axtell, tractor mower	324.00

\$ 8,300.34

Material

Upton Fuel & Constr. Co. Inc., sand, gravel, fill, cement	2,954.50
W. G. Fiske Lumber Co.	104.13
Rosenfeld Washed Sand & Stone Co.	259.89
Drinkwine & Gadoury, tools	15.65
Middlesex County House of Corr.	18.00
American Oil Products	70.13
Files Equipment Co., brooms	16.50
Henley Lundgren Co., cold patch	498.80
Varney Bros. Sand & Gravel	534.16
Trimount Bituminous Prod. Co.	2,071.96
Upton Mimeographing Co.	5.00
Roland A. Temple, caps, dynamite	20.43

Henry J. Poirier, rent	144.00
E. L. LeBaron Foundry Co., grates	46.00

	\$ 6,795.15
Total	\$20,999.90
	\$.10

CHAPTER 90 — CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation	\$16,000.00
<i>Labor</i>	
Henry J. Poirier	\$98.00
Ephraim Boss	67.50
Edward Fisher	20.00
Goff Heavner	70.00
John Allen	47.50
Charles Sanderson, Jr.	67.50
John Kirby	25.00
George Gorman	37.50
Walter Stank	5.00
Roland Temple	31.50

	\$469.50
<i>Machinery Hire</i>	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co. Inc., trucks, grader, bulldozer	\$495.75
Victor Paille, power saw	14.00

	\$509.75
<i>Material</i>	
Roland A. Temple, dynamite	\$ 24.29
New England Metal Culvert Co.	1,766.72

	\$ 1,791.01
Total	\$ 2,770.26
Balance	\$13,229.74

CHAPTER 90 — CONSTRUCTION

1955 Balance	\$ 598.90
<i>Labor</i>	
Henry J. Poirier	\$65.00
Ephraim Boss	40.63

Edward Fisher	33.13
Goff Heavner	40.63
Shirley A. McKellar, clerk	10.00
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	\$189.39

Machinery Hire

Upton Fuel & Const. Co. Inc., trucks, grader, bulldozer	\$229.03
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Material

Upton Fuel & Const. Co. Inc., cement, sand, cinder blocks	\$121.55
Varney Bros. Sand & Gravel Inc., loam	37.50
J. S. Nason, seed	20.88
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	\$179.93
Total	\$598.35
	\$.55
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CHAPTER 90 — MAINTENANCE

1955 Balance	\$1,291.92
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Labor

Henry J. Poirier	\$82.00
Ephraim Boss	61.26
Edward Fisher	61.26
Goff Heavner	61.26
John Allen	50.00
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	\$ 315.78

Machinery Hire

Upton Fuel & Const. Co. Inc.,	\$ 416.27
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Material

Upton Fuel & Const. Co. Inc.,	\$213.30
Varney Bros. Sand & Gravel, Inc. ..	113.96
Trimount Bituminous Prod. Co. ..	231.12
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	\$ 558.38

Total	\$1,290.43
Balance	1.49

CHAPTER 90 — MAINTENANCE (Special)

Appropriation	\$800.00
Balance	\$800.00
BRIDGE ACCOUNT	
Appropriation	\$ 600.00
Additional monies	629.80
Total	\$1,229.80
<i>Labor</i>	
Henry J. Poirier	\$ 16.00
Arc Welding Service	189.00
Upton Fuel & Const. Co., Inc.	56.00

	261.00
<i>Machinery Hire</i>	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co., Inc.	\$ 28.00

	\$ 28.00
<i>Material</i>	
John J. Duane, metal beams	\$365.76
Wm. Casey Store, Inc., bolts	13.60
W. G. Fiske Lumber Co.	
lumber, bolts, creosote	513.42
Milford Hardware, Inc., bolts	7.92
Leonard Jaques, bolts	7.01

	\$ 907.71
Total	\$1,196.71
Balance	\$ 33.09
CHRISTIAN HILL ROAD	
1955 Balance	\$1,608.00
<i>Material</i>	
Trimount Bituminous Products Co.	\$1,456.83
Total	_____
Balance	\$1,456.83
	151.17
CROCKETT ROAD	
Appropriation	\$1,000.00
<i>Labor</i>	
Henry J. Poirier	\$ 38.00
Ephraim Boss	20.00

Edward Fisher	20.00
Goff Heavner	20.00
John Allen	10.00
Charles Sanderson, Jr.	10.00
Roland Temple	14.00
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	\$132.00

Machinery Hire

Upton Fuel & Const. Co., Inc.	\$373.17
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	\$ 373.17

Material

Upton Fuel & Const. Co., Inc.	\$494.47
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	\$494.47

Total	\$ 999.64
Balance	\$.36

HIGHWAY VACATION

Appropriation	\$400.00
Ephraim Boss	100.00
Edward Fisher	100.00
Goff Heavner	100.00
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Total	\$300.00
Balance	\$100.00

GUARD RAIL — CHURCH ST.

Balance 1955	\$68.55
Balance	\$68.55

SOUTH STREET

Appropriation	\$1,000.00
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Material

Trimount Bituminous Products Co.	\$940.55
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Total	\$ 940.55
Balance	\$ 59.45

WARREN ROAD

1955 Balance	\$285.00
Balance	\$285.00

WEST RIVER STREET

Appropriation		\$1000.00
<i>Labor</i>		
Henry J. Poirier	\$46.00	
Ephraim Boss	10.00	
Edward Fisher	10.00	
Charles Sanderson, Jr.	10.00	
Francis Paille	33.75	
Roland Temple	56.00	
	_____	\$ 165.75
<i>Machinery Hire</i>		
Upton Fuel & Const. Co., Inc.	\$775.50	
	_____	\$ 775.50
<i>Material</i>		
Roland A. Temple	32.55	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co., Inc.	26.10	
	_____	\$ 58.65
Total		\$ 999.90
Balance		\$.10

SIDEWALK — PLEASANT STREET

Appropriation		\$700.00
<i>Labor</i>		
Henry J. Poirier	\$ 8.00	
Edward Fisher	47.50	
Upton Fuel & Const. Co., Inc.	79.87	
	_____	\$135.37
<i>Machinery Hire</i>		
Upton Fuel & Const. Co., Inc.	\$285.00	
	_____	\$285.00
<i>Material</i>		
Upton Fuel & Const. Co., Inc.	\$ 21.60	
Henley-Lundgren Co., Inc.	38.78	
American Oil Products Co.	210.38	
Varney Bros. Sand & Gravel Inc.	6.25	
	_____	\$277.01
Total		\$697.38
Balance		2.62

SIDEWALKS

Appropriation	\$600.00
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Labor

Henry J. Poirier	\$18.00
Ephraim Boss	22.50
Edward Fisher	32.50
Goff Heavner	22.50
John Allen	32.50
Charles Sanderson, Jr.	22.50
Francis Paille	10.00
Upton Fuel & Const. Co., Inc. masons	52.98

	\$213.48

Machinery Hire

Upton Fuel & Const. Co., Inc.	\$183.00

	\$183.00

Material

American Oil Products Co.	\$202.40

	\$202.40

Total	\$598.88
Balance	\$ 1.12

CHURCH STREET

1955 Balance	\$155.06
Balance	155.06

MACHINERY ACCOUNT

1954 and 1955 Balance	\$13.82
Balance	13.82

SIGN ACCOUNT

Appropriation	\$50.00
John Allen, labor	\$ 6.25
Smith Highway Equip. Co., signs ..	18.29
State Prison, signs	15.00
Seaver's Express	2.00
Upton Fuel & Const. Co., Inc. labor, bolts	8.20

Total	\$49.74
Balance	\$.26

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Appropriation	\$6,000.00
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LABOR

Henry J. Poirier	\$242.00
Ephraim Boss	168.13
Edward Fisher	103.75
Goff Heavner	108.75
Charles Sanderson, Jr.	61.25
John Allen	167.50
Francis Paille	67.50
Shirley A. McKellar, clerk	10.00
John Kirby	10.00
George Gorman	10.00
Paul McDonnell	5.00

	\$953.88

MACHINERY HIRE

Upton Fuel & Constr. Co., Inc.	1,286.48
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MATERIALS

Upton Fuel & Constr. Co., Inc.	747.80
Franklin Paint Co.	21.00
Trimount Bituminous Prod. Co.	2,519.45
Henley-Lundgren	251.60
Varney Bros.	219.78

	3,759.63
Total	5,999.99
Balance	\$.01

SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriation	\$9,000.00
Additional monies	11,162.13

Total	20,162.13

LABOR

Henry J. Poirier	\$1,255.00
Ephraim Boss	428.13
Edward Fisher	571.88
Goff Heavner	417.51

Henry Burpee	6.25
Shirley A. McKellar, clerk	95.00
John Poirier	28.75
Clyde Whittaker	68.75
Frank Dean	17.50
George Dean	23.75
Robert Phillips	29.38
James Ramsey	5.00
Victor SanSouci	11.25
Alcide Bouthiette	2.50
Robert Orff	24.38
John Macker	8.13
Peter Nydam	13.13
Charles Taylor	2.50
Ovide Cote	16.25
Robert Stuart	20.00
Raymond Fenner	7.50
Samuel Nahra	38.13
Charles Sanderson, Jr.	67.50
George Summers	21.25
Russell Hallberg	6.25
Brewster Newton	6.25
Frederick Burnham	6.25
Kenneth Griffin	6.25
George Rivers	16.25
William Noe	6.25
Ernest Ramsey	6.25
Frank Sherman	13.75
John Jacobson	6.25
Edward Henderson	3.75
Ralph Francis	7.50
Walter Stank	18.75
Harold Francis	15.00
Orrin Francis	18.75
Thomas Francis	18.75
Paul McDonnell	18.75
William Prentiss	15.00
George Bishop	16.25
Robert Prentiss	15.00
John Allen	52.50

3,453.17

MACHINERY HIRE

Upton Fuel & Constr. Co., Inc.	
trucks, plows	\$12,331.14

Brooks Farm, plows	171.50
Malcolm Temple, plows	72.00
Town Line Dairy, plows	446.75
Marshall Temple, plows	172.00
Robert Kelly, plows	78.00
Joseph Jacques & Son	19.50
	13,290.89

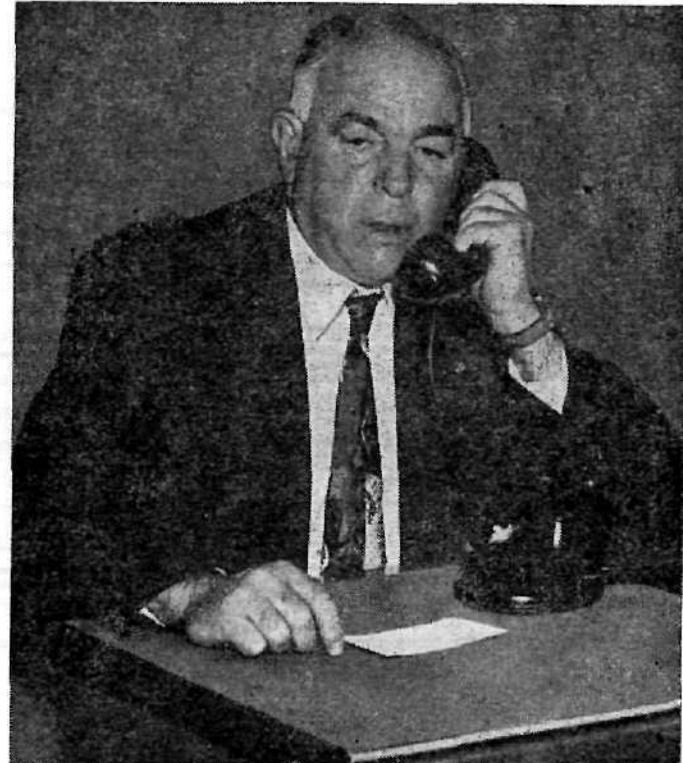
MATERIALS

Upton Fuel & Constr. Co., Inc.,	
sand, salt	3,365.75
George F. Blake, wire	39.76
W. G. Fiske Lumber Co.,	
snow pushers, wire	12.56
	3,418.07
Total	20,162.13

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY J. POIRIER,
Road Commissioner

IN MEMORIAM
Malcolm C. Temple



TOWN MODERATOR

1925 - 1929

1933 - 1936

1939 - 1945

1949 - 1952

SELECTMAN

1954 - 1956 (Chairman, 1955 - 56)

Also served as:

Chief Air Raid Warden

Director of Civil Defense

Police Officer

Died: February 12, 1956

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The Selectmen met the evening of March 6th and organized for the coming year. G. N. Blakeslee was elected chairman of the Board by Ballot. George G. Newton was re-appointed clerk of the Board of Selectmen and Daniel H. Bates was re-appointed Chief of Police.

By vote of the Townspeople at the annual Town Meeting the Selectmen were authorized to appoint a full time police officer. Daniel H. Bates was appointed the Town's first full time police officer.

Your Board declared the Town in a state of emergency twice during the year due to lack of funds in the Snow Removal Account caused by the blizzards occurring between March 19th and April 9th.

Your chairman was appointed by the Board as Liaison Officer to represent the Town in bringing to a conclusion the program of state and federal assistance for the rebuilding of bridges lost in the hurricane of August 19th and 20th, 1955. These agencies built a new culvert under River St., new bridges on Station St., Hartford Ave. and Fowler St. Major repairs to the Mendon St., Fowler St., West River St., and Pleasant St. bridges were paid for by these agencies.

The dam site, flowage rights and title in the former Jourdan's Pond area and also the former Box Mill Pond area have been purchased per the Townspeople's authorization of the Special Town Meeting of Dec. 22, 1955.

Suits against the Town by the City of Worcester for bills owed by the Welfare Department dating from 1947 to April 24th, 1956 and totaling in excess of \$1506.00 were settled for \$628.00.

The petition of Fred Fiske et Alii vs. Town of Upton for assessment of damages resulting from the relocation of Pleasant Street is still pending. This case has been looked into thoroughly during the year with the thought of an out of court settlement. To date, no agreement has been reached.

The year 1956 has been a busy one for this Board. The valued assistance from the various Boards and Town Officers has been instrumental in lightening our load. Our thanks for your generous cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE N. BLAKESLEE
Chairman

Rene E. Page
George N. Blakeslee
Gladys G. Crockett

Selectmen

TREASURER'S REPORT

January 1, 1956, Balance from 1955	\$ 97,733.94
1956 Receipts	532,011.33
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Total paid on Selectmen's Warrants	\$629,745.27
Balance, January 1, 1957	542,200.67
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	\$ 87,544.60

Respectfully submitted,

Leo F. Murphy
Treasurer

TOWN TREASURER'S STATEMENT

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank, \$11.74 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 (\$1,000.00) 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. \$31.65 Interest was received this year. \$50.00 was used this year.

There is deposited in the Worcester County Institution for Savings, one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) known as the Dr. Carpenter Library Fund, the income of which is to be used for the Public Library. \$30.00 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 Knowlton School. \$135.93 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. \$150.00 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. \$150.00 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. \$122.75 Interest was received, and the amount of this Fund on January 1, 1957 was \$4,183.98.

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. \$154.30 Interest was received and the balance on January 1, 1957 was \$5,295.36. None was used this year.

The Industrial Accident Insurance Fund established in 1937 is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank. \$63.11 Interest was received and the balance on January 1, 1957 was \$2,143.52. Payment from this Fund is to be made in accordance with rules to be established by the Board of Selectmen. \$8.00 was used this year.

WAR BONDS

1 Series K Bond	\$5,000.00
Purchased in 1956	Matures 1967
1 Series G Bond	\$5,000.00
Purchased in 1945	Matures 1957
Interest received	\$ 43.11
Income received	\$256.50

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 on January 1, 1957 was \$3,247.08.

There is deposited in the Worcester County Institution for Savings, two thousand dollars (\$2,000.00) known as the George H. Schultz Library Book Fund, in trust with the Town Treasurer and Library Trustees as Trustees, the income only to be used to purchase books. \$60.00 Interest was received this year.

There is deposited in the Milford Savings Bank, \$32.07 known as the Nellie Bagley Lakeview Cemetery Fund, with the Town Treasurer and Cemetery Commissioners as Trustees. All of this Fund is available for use by the Cemetery Dept. for improvements at Lakeview Cemetery. None was used this year.

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

Deposited in Worcester County Institution for Savings, \$22,735.00.

Deposited in Milford Federal Savings & Loan Association, \$1,550.00.

Receipts are deposited each year and the interest received is used by the Cemetery Dept. to care for lots covered by Perpetual Care. 1956 Deposits were \$1,550. Interest received, \$695.33.

WILLIAM KNOWLTON TRUST FUND

Balance, January 1, 1956	\$ 4,443.49
Income	3,134.71
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	\$ 7,578.20

Transferred on Selectmen's order to Special Town Hall Appr.	4,000.00
Balance, January 1, 1957, Milford National Bank	\$ 3,578.20
Principal deposited in Milford Savings Bank	802.95
Stock Dividends received:	
Continental Illinois National Bank — 10 Shares	

ELLA W. RISTEEN TRUST FUND

Balance, January 1, 1956	\$11,444.20
Income	4,178.58
Interest	176.95
U. S. Treasury Matured Bonds	30,000.00
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	\$45,799.73

Payments:

Clause B	\$ 2,878.00
Clause C	574.90
Clause D	3,075.90
Milford National Bank, Safe	
Deposit Box Rental	22.00
Milford Savings Bank Deposit	55.08
U. S. Treasury Bonds	30,000.00
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	36,605.78

Balance	\$ 9,193.95
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Balance on Deposit, January 1, 1957
Home National Bank

Clause B	\$4,938.10
Clause C	2,464.16
Clause D	1,791.69

	\$9,193.95
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Principal on Deposit, Milford Savings Bank	\$141.72
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Stock Dividends received:

Sears Roebuck	3 shares plus \$19.70 cash
Continental Illinois	
National Bank	7 shares plus \$35.38 cash
Continental Insurance Co.	75 shares
General Foods Corp.	70 shares

STATEMENT OF TOWN INSURANCE

The Town Property is insured as follows:

Town Hall Building	\$50,000.00
Contents	3,000.00
Knowlton School Building	20,000.00
Contents	1,000.00
George S. Ball School	20,000.00
Contents	2,000.00
Weights & Measures Standards	1,500.00
Cemetery Building & Contents	1,600.00
Grand Stand	400.00
Road Machinery	2,000.00
Library Books, Etc.	3,000.00
Boilers in Halls & Schools	5,000.00
Memorial School Building	17,000.00
Contents	6,000.00
Tax Title Deeds in possession of the Town Treasurer of property taken for taxes	3,185.84

Respectfully submitted,

LEO F. MURPHY,
Treasurer

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

I hereby submit the report of the Finance Committee for the year 1956.

Number of Meetings	15
Number of Transfers made	9
Memorial Day (2)	\$10.84
Public Welfare—Disability Assistance	578.20
Interest—Maturing Debt	149.36
Collector of Taxes	30.58
Sealer of Weights & Measures	15.69
Snow Removal—Highway Dept. (2)	1,662.13
Finance Committee	15.00

	\$2,461.80

Reserve Fund	\$2,500.00
Total Amount of Transfers	<u>\$2,461.80</u>
Balance	\$38.20

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES J. GALLAGHER,
Clerk

UPTON HOUSING AUTHORITY REPORT

As this Town did not need any houses under this Act there were no meetings held during 1956. I had the pleasure to meet the State Chairman at a meeting held in Worcester in July, and I had some correspondence with his office later. Expenses were light, so there were not any turned in.

Respectfully,

ARTHUR M. BARTLETT
Chairman

REPORT OF MILK INSPECTOR

Store License	9	@	\$.50	\$ 4.50
Vehicle License	6	@	.50	3.00
Oleomargarine License	4	@	.50	2.00
Pasteurization License	2	@	10.00	20.00
				<u>\$ 29.50</u>

EDWARD ORFF
Milk Inspector

REPORT OF TOWN COUNSEL

December 31, 1956

To the Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my report for the calendar year 1956.

During the year I have rendered opinions to the several Town officers and departments, attended meetings of the Town and of the various departments, held conferences with the several Town officers and heads of departments and third persons. In the carrying out of my duties I have drawn such formal documents as the circumstances required including contracts, deeds of redemption, releases, notices and invitations for bids.

Favorable settlement and final disposition has been made of the two Superior Court cases, City of Worcester vs. Town of Upton, the basis for which being hospital service rendered to inhabitants of the Town of Upton. On December 12, 1956 the purchase of the Jourdan Pond property and the Box Mill Pond property was consummated.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to all Town officers for their assistance and co-operation and to thank them and the citizens for their many courtesies extended to me.

Respectfully submitted,

J. LAURENCE DOYLE
Town Counsel

REPORT OF STATE AUDIT

June 4, 1956

To the Board of Selectmen
Mr. George N. Blakeslee, Chairman
Upton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Upton for the fiscal year 1955, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. William Schwartz, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

HERMAN B. DINE
Director of Accounts

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Mr. Herman B. Dine
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 fiscal year 1955, and report thereon as follows:

The financial transactions as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town were examined and checked in detail.

The accountant's books were examined, checked, and compared with the records of the several departments in which money

is collected or bills are committed for collection and with the records of the town treasurer.

An analysis was made of the ledger, the appropriations, loan authorizations, and transfers being compared with the town clerk's records of town meeting votes and with the records of the finance committee. A trial balance was drawn off proving the ledger to be in balance, and, after the necessary adjusting entries resulting from the audit were made, a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the town on December 31, 1955 was prepared and is appended to this report.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were analyzed and compared with the accountant's records, with the departmental records of payments to the treasurer, and with other sources from which the treasurer received money, while the disbursements were compared with the accountant's books and with the treasury warrants.

The cash balance on February 29, 1956 was verified by examination of a savings bank book and by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements furnished by the banks in which town funds are deposited.

The records of payroll deductions for Federal taxes and for the county retirement system were examined and checked. The amounts withheld were compared with the treasurer's recorded receipts, and the payments to the Federal depository and the county treasurer were checked with the vouchers on file.

The payments on account of maturing debt and interest were compared with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities and coupons on file. The outstanding coupons were listed and reconciled with the balance in the bond and coupon account as shown by a statement furnished by the bank in which such funds are deposited.

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

The records of tax title redemptions and tax titles taken by the town, as well as of tax title foreclosures, were checked in

detail. The outstanding tax titles were listed and all transactions were checked with the collector's and the accountant's books.

The books and accounts of the town collector were examined and checked in detail. The accounts outstanding at the time of the previous examination, as well as all subsequent commitment lists of tax, excise, departmental, and water accounts, were audited and compared with the warrants issued for their collection. The receipts as posted to the commitment books were compared with the cash book record of collections; the payments to the treasurer were verified; the abatements were checked with the assessors' and other departmental records of abatements granted; and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved with the accountant's ledger controls.

The outstanding accounts were further 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, with the exception of certain payments made to a deputy collector for which an accounting has not yet been made to the town, and which are in the process of investigation.

The collector's cash balance on February 29, 1956 was verified by actual count of the cash in the office.

The computation of the tax rate for the year 1955 was examined and checked. The records of abatements granted by the board of assessors were checked with the books of the collector and the accountant, while the warrants to the collector were listed and compared with the detailed commitments.

The town clerk's records of dog and sporting licenses issued and of miscellaneous receipts were examined and checked, the payments to the town being checked with the treasurer's cash book, and the payments to the Division of Fisheries and Game being compared with the receipts on file.

The appropriations as voted by the town meetings were listed from the records of the town clerk and compared with the aggregate appropriations raised by the assessors.

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

The records of receipts of the board of selectmen, the sealer of weights and measures, the wire inspector, and the milk inspector, as well as of the police, fire, health, highway, public welfare, veterans' services, school library, and cemetery departments, were examined and checked, the payments to the treasurer being verified.

In addition to the balance sheet, there are appended to this report tables showing reconciliations of the treasurer's and collector's cash, summaries of the tax, excise, departmental and water accounts, as well as schedules showing the condition and transactions of the trust and investment funds.

During the progress of the audit cooperation was extended by the various town officials, for which, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, I wish to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM SCHWARTZ
Assistant Director of Accounts

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REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

CASH RECEIPTS 1956

GENERAL REVENUE

Taxes

Current Year	
Poll	\$ 1,418 00
Personal	13,532 24
Real Estate	134,384 93
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	149,335 17

Previous Years	
Personal	621 67
Real Estate	15,117 08
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	15,738 75
	\$165,073 92
Tax Title Redemptions	44 72
From State Loss of Taxes	1,675 36
Licenses and Permits	
Liquor Licenses	2,000 00
Junk	91 05
All Other	229 55
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	2,320 60
Fines and Forfeits	
Court Fines	8 00
Grants and Gifts	
Grants from Federal Government	
From Old Age Assistance	26,930 57
For Aid to Dependent Children	3,368 21
For Disability Assistance.....	4,576 70
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	34,875 48
Grants From State	
Memorial School	
Construction	5,585 83
Massachusetts School Fund	31,748 24
Independent Industrial	
Schools	2,617 77
High School Tuition &	
Transportation	16,748 75
School Superintendent	926 85
Animal Inspector	50 00
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	57,677 44
TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE	\$261,675 52
COMMERCIAL REVENUE	
Grant and Gifts	
From County—Dog Licenses	743 58
State Flood Reimbursement	13,360 81
Wm. Knowlton Fund—Town	
Hall Repairs	4,000 00
Reimbursement Hurricane	8,341 72

Reimbursement—Risteen Fund—	
Welfare	100 00
Motor Vehicle Excise	19,542 10
Total Commercial Revenue	46,070 21
COMMERCIAL REVENUE—DEPARTMENTAL	
General Government	
Town Hall	45 00
Protection of Persons and Property	
Police Department	
Bicycle Registrations	33 00
Gun Permits	44 50
	77 50
Wire Inspector Fees	179 00
Fire Department	
Sale of Used Truck	15 00
Use of Ambulance	90 50
Health All Other	30 50
Highways	
Chapter 81 and 90 Maint.	
from State	11,710 80
Chapter 90 Maint. from County	1,999 50
From State 90 Construction	12,294 28
From County 90 Construction	1,998 14
	28,002 72
Welfare Department	
From State	
Disability Assistance	3,441 49
Temporary Aid &	
Transportation	645 56
Aid to Dependent Children	2,239 07
Old Age Assistance	25,865 13
From Cities & Towns	
Old Age Assistance	1,224 71
	33,415 96
Veterans Benefits	
From State	1,797 98
School Department	
All Other	1 82
Library	
Sales & Fines	15 86
Miscellaneous	
Income Tax	1,090 68
Old Age Assistance Recoveries	17,359 49

Corporation Tax	8,749 60
Meal Tax For Old Age	1,466 88
Deputy Collector Discrepancy	
Account	58 88
	—————
	28,725 53
Total Departmental	92,397 37

COMMERCIAL REVENUE * CEMETERIES

Sale of Lots	295 00
Care of Lots	169 50
Perpetual Care	1,550 00
Funerals	845 00
	—————
Total Cemeteries	2,859 50

COMMERCIAL REVENUE * WATER DEPARTMENT

Sales of Water	19,333 13
Service Connections	1,910 00
Miscellaneous	30 00
Sewer	2,100 00
	—————
Total Water Department	19,333 13

REVOLVING FUNDS

Cafeteria	
Sales	10,976 33
State Grants	4,342 39
Refunds	91 33
County Retirement Deductions	1,298 42
Withheld Taxes	12,735 02
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Total Revolving Funds	29,443 49

COMMERCIAL REVENUE * INTEREST

General	
On Deposits	105 83
On Deferred Taxes	
Interest & Fees	56 44
On Tax Titles	11 79
On Motor Vehicle Excise	427 50

On Trust & Investment Funds

School Funds	285 93
Library Funds	240 00
Cemetery Funds	695 35
Investment Funds	6,793 20

Total Interest	8,616 04
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MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Temporary Loans

Highway Reimbursement	32,500 00
Water Loan of 1956	33,000 00

Total Municipal Indebtedness	65,500 00
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AGENCY TRUST & INVESTMENT

Agency

Dog Licenses for County	970 40
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Trust & Investment

Rehabilitation Fund	5,000 00
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Total Agency Trust & Investment	5,970 40
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Refunds—Miscellaneous	145 67
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RECAPITULATION

General Revenue	261,675 52
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Commercial Revenue	46,070 21
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Commercial Revenue—

Departmental	92,397 37
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Commercial Revenue—Cemeteries	2,859 50
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Commercial Revenue—Water

Department	19,333 13
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Revolving Funds	29,443 49
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Commercial Revenue—Interest	8,616 04
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Municipal Indebtedness	65,500 00
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Agency—Trust & Investment	5,970 40
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Refunds	145 67
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Total Receipts	\$532,011 33
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CASH DISBURSEMENTS 1956

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Moderator Salary	50.00
Selectmen Salaries	
Chairman	191.60
Member	175.00
Member	175.00
Clerk	175.00
	716.60
Selectmens Expense	
Printing, Stationery, Etc.	37.65
Carfare, Auto Hire	22.84
Dues	31.00
Other	47.90
	139.39
	855.99
Accountant	
Salary	600.00
Expense	
Clerical	25.00
File Cabinet	79.80
All Other	20.20
	125.00
	725.00
Treasurer	
Salary	850.00
Expense	
Clerical	10.00
Printing, Postage, Etc.	87.15
All Other	131.02
	228.17
	1,078.17

Town Collector

Salary	1,100.00
Expense	
Clerical	92.50
Printing, Postage, Etc.	154.10
Bond (Deputy)	5.00
All Other	278.98
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	530.58
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	1,630.58

Assessors

Salaries	1,050.00
Expense	
Clerical	232.50
Clerical, Postage, Etc.	252.98
Carfare and Auto Hire	84.00
All Other	13.00
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	582.48
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1,632.48

Finance Committee

Salary and Expense Clerk	60.00
Expense	
All Other	15.00
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	75.00

Town Counsel

Salary	50.00
Expense	300.00
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	350.00

Town Clerk

Salary	450.00
Expense	
Printing, Postage, Etc.	60.62
All Other	235.96
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	296.58
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746.58

Registrars of Voters

Salary 3 Member	105.00
Clerk	50.00
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	155.00
Expense	
Clerical	44.00
Compiling Census	178.56
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	222.56
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377.56

Elections & Registrations

Election Officers	519.17
Printing & Postage	147.84
Janitor Help	20.00
All Other	35.54
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722.55

Town Hall Expense

Janitor	1,060.00
Supplies	20.45
Telephone	190.35
Fuel	1,478.94
Rubbish Removal	16.25
Electric Light	155.84
Repairs	119.69
All Other	170.81
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3,212.33

338.75

Bonding Town Officers

Worcester County Retirement System	698.08
County of Worcester Tax	6,025.05
Auditing Municipal Accounts	638.82
State Parks & Reservations	535.62
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\$19,692.56

Total General Government

Protection of Persons and Property

Police Department

Salaries and Wages	4,104.57
Cruiser Mileage	738.98

Telephone	185.65
All Other	174.32
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	5,203.52

Forest Fire Department

Wages	403.65
Issuing Permits	25.00
Travel Expense	10.00
Apparatus Repairs	38.16
Gasoline	50.67
All Other	144.97
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	672.45
New Hose	300.00
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	972.45

Fire Department

General Expense	
Salaries and Wages	1,526.10
Janitor	264.00
Clerical Supplies	5.50
Fuel	590.63
Telephone	136.55
Electricity	150.88
Apparatus	347.17
Gasoline	51.97
All Other	417.70
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	3,490.50
New Hose	297.00
Fire Alarm Maintenance	
Repairs, Etc.	73.60
Telephone	318.60
Electricity	40.00
Equipment	102.22
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	534.42
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	4,321.92

Sealer of Weights and Measures

Salary	80.00
Expense—Seals	25.69
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	105.69

Wiring Inspector Salary	50.00
Tree Warden	
Labor	638.75
Materials	19.26
Equipment and Truck Hire	341.45
	999.46
Gypsy Moth Suppression	
Labor	380.00
Materials	1.50
Equipment and Truck Hire	217.86
	599.36
Dutch Elm Disease	
Labor	345.00
Materials	2.05
Equipment and Truck Hire	652.68
	999.73
	2,598.55
Total Protection Persons and Property	\$13,252.13

Health and Sanitation

Ambulance	
Labor	490.63
Gas and Oil	123.18
Parts and Equipment	44.60
Laundry	59.54
	717.95
Health Department	
General	
Clerk	50.00
Milk Inspector	50.00
Dog Disposals	11.00
Polio Program Supplies	10.63
Nurse Supplies	2.83
	124.46

Care of Town Dump	300.00
Animal Inspector Salary	100.00
District Nursing Association	1,000.00
County Hospital Assessment	1,964.63
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	3,489.09
Total Health and Sanitation	4,207.04

Highway Department

Chapter 81	
Labor	5,600.41
Clerical	345.00
Other Material	2,584.80
Stone, Gravel, Etc.	4,169.35
Equipment and Truck Hire	8,300.34
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	20,999.90
Highway Vacations	300.00
Bridges	
Labor	16.00
Equipment and Labor	84.00
Materials	1,096.71
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	1,196.71
Pleasant Street Sidewalk	
Labor	55.50
Truck Hire	350.20
Materials	277.01
Other Expense	14.67
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	697.38
Sidewalks	
Labor	160.50
Material	202.40
Truck Hire	235.98
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	598.88
Oiling South Street	
Material	940.55
Oiling Christian Hill	
Material	1,456.83

Snow and Ice Removal	
Labor	3,453.17
Equipment and Truck Hire	13,296.82
Materials	3,412.14
	20,162.13
Street Lights	5,493.00
Signs	
Labor	13.75
Materials	35.99
	49.74
West River Street Grading	
Labor	109.75
Materials	114.65
Equipment and Truck Hire	775.50
	999.90
Crockett Road	
Labor	118.00
Equipment	373.17
Material	508.47
	999.64
90 Construction	
Labor	627.39
Equipment and Truck Hire	738.78
Materials	2,002.44
	3,368.61
90 Maintenance	
Labor	1,269.66
Equipment and Truck Hire	1,702.75
Materials	4,318.01
	7,290.42
Total Highway Department	§ 64,553.69
<i>Charities and Soldiers Benefits</i>	
Welfare Board Salaries	300.00
Welfare—Town Administration	
Salaries	2,421.25

Postage, Printing, Etc.	223.39
All Other Expense	155.36
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	2,800.00
General Relief	
Groceries, Etc.	276.63
Fuel	38.49
Medical & Medicine	268.45
Cash Grants	829.00
All Other	76.82
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	1,489.39
Old Age Assistance Town	45,835.79
Old Age Assistance Other Towns ..	154.61
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	45,990.40
Aid to Dependent Children Town ..	4,945.65
Disability Assistance Town	7,678.20
Federal Grants	
Old Age Assistance Aid	25,575.41
Old Age Assistance Admin.	1,731.09
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	27,306.50
Aid Dependent Children Aid	1,477.35
Aid Dependent Children Admin. ..	402.26
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	1,879.64
Disability Assistance Aid	4,291.21
Disability Assistance Admin.	304.99
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	4,596.20
	4,596.20
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	33,782.31
Veterans Benefits	
Salary Director	100.00
Expenses	
All Other	67.43
Benefits	
Ordinary Allowances	4,248.77
Fuel	22.59
Medical	64.00
Prescriptions	41.20

Food	263.07
Clothing	9.95
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	4,649.58

Total Charities and Soldiers Benefits \$101,802.96

Schools and Libraries

School Department	
Salaries Committee	145.00
General Control	
Salary Superintendent	1,950.02
Clerical	1,080.80
Traveling Expense	299.87
Census	106.70
All Other	88.61
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	3,526.00
Teachers Salaries	55,557.70
General Expense	
Books	2,421.50
Supplies	1,144.25
All Other	229.28
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	3,795.03
Tuition	
High School	25,870.69
Elementary	23,575.56
Vocational and 514	4,562.29
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	54,008.54
Transportation	
High School	8,025.52
Elementary	13,010.89
Vocational	798.65
514	957.00
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	22,792.06
Plant Operation & Maintenance	
Toilet Supplies	251.50
Fuel	2,768.92
Gas	184.84
Telephone	269.24

Electricity	973.50
Repairs	1,019.39
Janitor Supplies	632.30
All Other	24.00
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	6,123.69

Unpaid 1955 Bills	1,181.49
Refund Teachers Retirement	9.44
Knowlton Batchelor Fund	207.71
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147,346.66

Cafeteria	
Salary and Wages	3,855.95
Food	9,625.89
Equipment, Repairs & Supplies	982.31
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14,464.15

Library	
Salary Librarian	600.00
Wages	252.25
Books	480.18
Periodicals	35.55
Story Hour	45.00
Binding Books	47.75
Supplies	67.66
Furniture	81.25
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1,609.64

Total Schools & Library	\$163,420.45
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Recreation and Unclassified

Parks Department	
Labor	121.18
Equipment Hire	68.33
Gasoline	2.84
Materials	47.84
Plants	38.00
Repairs	85.54
Benches	21.22
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384.95

Unclassified	
Memorial Day	410.84
Insurance	1,022.26
Civilian Defense	
Special Forest Fire Pump	197.50
Printing	
Town Reports	1,064.00
Finance Committee Report ..	110.35
All Other	517.54
	1,691.89
Withheld Taxes	12,735.02
County Retirement Deductions ..	1,298.42
Damage to Persons & Property ..	1.00
	17,741.88
Total Recreation & Unclassified	

Enterprise and Cemeteries

Water Department	
Salaries Commissioners	325.00
Expense Commissioners	95.00
	420.00
Salary Superintendent	500.00
Clerical	287.00
Office Supplies & Expense	74.01
	361.01
Maintenance	
Labor	566.06
Materials	1,558.84
Equipment and Truck Hire ..	347.64
All Other	469.03
Fuel, Light & Power	2,263.77
Other Expense Pumping	43.50
	5,248.84
	5,609.85
Repairs & Extensions Loan 1955 ..	15,377.60
Extension Loan of 1956	22,825.02
Extension Loan of 1954	14,799.46
Hydrant Rentals	2,750.00
Unpaid Bills of 1955	1,452.99

Cemetery Department

Commissioners Salaries	90.00
General	
Superintendent	1,545.28
Labor	2,197.25
Trees and Shrubs	12.00
Equipment Hire	318.38
All Other	109.13
	4,182.04
Oiling & Grading	300.00
New Equipment	225.00
Interest Account	
Labor	216.75
Equipment Hire	157.70
	374.45
	5,171.49
Total Enterprise and Cemetery	68,906.41

Interest and Maturing Debt

Interest	
Highway Reimbursement Loan ..	301.56
Fire Station Loan	652.50
Elementary School Loans	2,108.75
Water Loans	7,010.00
Note Certifications	76.55
	10,149.36
Maturing Debt	
Highway Reimbursement Loan ..	20,104.00
School Loans	9,000.00
Fire Station Loan	5,000.00
Water Loans	13,000.00
	47,104.00
Total Interest & Maturing Debt	57,253.36

Agency Trust and Investment

Dog Licenses for County	970.40
Perpetual Care Funds	1,550.00

Rehabilitation Fund	5,256.50
Industrial Accident Fund	8.00
Risteen Fund	
Clause B	2,978.00
Clause C	574.90
Clause D	3,075.80
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	6,628.70
Refunds	
Motor Vehicle Excise	307.64
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Total Agency Trust & Investment	\$ 14,721.24
Flood Repairs	
Labor	2,258.02
Material	6,789.80
Equipment	5,101.13
Special Army Contract	2,500.00
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Total Flood	16,648.95

RECAPITULATION

General Government	19,692.56
Protection of Persons & Property	13,252.13
Health and Sanitation	4,207.04
Highway Department	64,553.69
Charities and Soldiers Benefits	101,802.96
School Department, Cafeteria &	
Library	163,420.45
Recreation & Unclassified	17,741.88
Enterprise and Cemeteries	68,906.41
Interest & Maturing Debt	57,253.36
Agency, Trust & Investment	14,721.24
Flood Repairs	16,648.95
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Total Expended	\$542,200.67

TOWN OF UPTON
BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1955

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

	Assets		Liabilities and Reserves
Cash:			
General,	\$97,733.94		Temporary Loans:
Surplus War Bonus and Real Estate Fund,	4,061.23		In Anticipation of Reimbursement,
		\$101,795.17	\$20,104.00
			Taxi Badge Deposits,
			17.50
			Tailings:
			Unclaimed Checks,
			78.32
Accounts Receivable:			Contribution—Purchase of Inhalator,
Taxes:			6.50
Levy of 1954:			Memorial Fund of Upton,
Real Estate,	\$135.77		216.28
Levy of 1955:			Trust Fund Income:
Personal Property,	779.17		School Funds,
Real Estate,	15,522.35		\$85.60
		16,437.29	Library Funds,
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:			7.24
Levy of 1954,	\$.02		Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds,
Levy of 1955,	1,559.34		486.54
		1,559.36	579.38
			Recoveries:
			Old Age Assistance,
			6,028.77
			Federal Grants:
			Disability Assistance:
			Administration,
			\$166.07
			Assistance,
			460.65
			Aid to Dependent Children:
			Administration,
			25.22
			Aid,
			824.94

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Former Collector's Discrepancy		Old Age Assistance:	
Account,	315.22	Administration,	409.96
Tax Titles,		Assistance,	174.01
Tax Possessions,	581.89		2,060.85
	2,400.89		
Departmental:		Revolving Funds:	
Ambulance,	\$150.00	School Lunch,	\$1,325.90
Sewer Rentals,	215.00	School Athletics,	162.29
General Relief,	338.03		1,488.19
Aid to Dependent Children,	833.60		
Old Age Assistance,	363.08		
Veterans' Services,	1,148.34		
Cemetery,	84.00		
Water Rates,	3,132.05	Appropriation Balances:	
Aid to Highways:	688.06	Revenue:	
State:		General:	
Chapter 81,	\$10,104.00	Town Hall Repairs,	\$1,994.33
Chapter 90 Maintenance,	2,000.00	Fire Station Conductor Pipe, ..	46.96
Chapter 90 Construction,	4,000.00	Chapter 90 Maintenance,	1,291.92
County:		Chapter 90 Construction,	598.90
Chapter 90 Maintenance,	2,000.00	Oiling Roads,	2,021.06
Chapter 90 Construction,	2,000.00	Church Street—Guard Rails, ..	68.55
Loans Authorized:	20,104.00	Machinery Maintenance,	13.82
Town Hall Remodeling,	4,000.00	Civil Defense,	6.02
		J. R. Benoit Memorial,	57.35
			6,098.91
		Non-Revenue:	
		Water:	
		Construction,	\$14,899.46
		Extension,	16,123.69
			31,023.15

Unprovided For or Overdrawn Accounts:	Loans Authorized and Unissued,	4,000.00
Underestimate 1955:		
County Tax,		
Overlay Deficit:		
Levy of 1955,	557.29	557.29
Overdrawn Appropriations:		
Flood Damage Emergency,	713.16	713.16
	Overestimates 1955 Assessments:	
	State:	
	Recreation Areas,	\$46.94
	Mosquito Control,	38.15
	County:	
	Hospital,	1,948.23
		2,033.32
	Surplus War Bonds and	
	Real Estate Fund,	4,061.23
	Cemetery Sale of Lots Fund	830.00
	Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus,	21,279.70
	Overlays Reserved for Abatements:	
	Levy of 1954,	135.77
	Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
	Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise, ..	\$1,559.36
	Tax Title and Possession,	2,400.89
	Departmental,	3,132.05
	Water,	688.06
		7,780.36
	Reserve for Cash Discrepancy,	315.22
	Surplus Revenue,	67,023.69
		<u>\$175,161.14</u>
		<u>\$175,161.14</u>

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt:

Inside Debt Limit:
 General,
 Outside Debt Limit:
 General, \$90,000.00
 Public Service Enterprise, 249,000.00

Serial Loans:

	Inside Debt Limit:		
	Fire Station Loan,	\$18,000.00	
	Elementary School Loan,	35,000.00	
			\$53,000.00
	Outside Debt Limit:		
	Elementary School Loan,	\$90,000.00	
	Water Loans,	249,000.00	
			339,000.00
			\$392,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds:

Cash and Securities:
 In Custody of Town Treasurer, ..
 In Custody of Trustees,

In Custody of Town Treasurer:

George W. Knowlton Charity Fund,	\$5,205.06
Knowlton School Fund,	11.40
Charlotte A. Batchelor School Fund,	5,000.00
Ella Whitney Risteen School Fund,	1,072.89
Charlotte A. Batchelor Library	5,000.00
Dr. Carpenter Library Fund,	1,000.00
George H. Schultz Library Fund,	2,000.00
Nellie Bagley Lakeview Cemetery Improvement Fund,	31.13
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds,	22,735.00
Workmen's Compensation Insurance Fund,	2,088.41

William Knowlton Fund:

Principal,	75,000.00
Income,	4,443.49

Ella Whitney Risteen Fund:

Principal,	84,050.14
Income:	
Public Welfare,	6,351.63
School,	1,645.60
Town Improvements,	3,446.97
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund,	12,947.47

\$232,029.19

In Custody of Trustees:

C. A. Batchelor and G. W.
Knowlton School Fund:

Principal,	\$8,422.01
Income,	63.80

8,485.81

\$240,515.00

\$240,515.00

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TOWN OF UPTON
BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1956

ASSETS	
Cash	
General	\$87,544.60
Surplus War Bonus & Real Estate Fund	<u>4,183.98</u>
	<u>91,728.58</u>
Accounts Receivable	
Taxes	
Levy of 1956:	
Personal Property	626.98
Real Estate	<u>14,072.32</u>
	<u>14,699.30</u>
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise Tax 1956	4,468.05
Former Collector's Discrepancy Account	315.22
Tax Titles	3,101.82
Tax Possessions	<u>581.89</u>
	<u>3,683.71</u>
Departmental	
Temporary Aid	147.03
Aid to Dependent Children	588.33
Old Age Assistance Cities & Towns	503.66
Veterans Benefits	1,923.30
Cemetery	106.00
Sewer	442.50
Ambulance	<u>59.50</u>
	<u>3,872.32</u>
Water Rates	2,079.77
Aid to Highways	
State	
Chapter 81	8,594.70
Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,000.00
Chapter 90 Construction	8,000.00
County	
Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,000.00
Chapter 90 Construction	<u>4,000.00</u>
	<u>24,594.70</u>
Unprovided For or Overdrawn Accounts	
State Parks & Reservation 1956	222.38
County Tax 1956	543.32
Flood of August 1955—Special	2,500.00
Flood of August 1955—General	<u>14,148.95</u>
	<u>17,414.65</u>
Overlay Deficit	
Levy of 1955	157.50
Loans Authorized	
Town Hall Repair—1955	4,000.00
Total	<u>\$167,013.80</u>

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Overpayments to be Refunded	
Real Estate Tax 1954	8.94
Poll Tax 1955	2.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1954	18.31
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1955	6.47
	35.72
Taxi Badge Deposits	17.50
Contribution—Purchase of Inhalator	6.50
Memorial Fund of Upton	216.28
Trust Funds Income	
School—Knowlton-Bachelor Fund	13.82
Library—Schultz Fund	67.24
Cemetery—Perpetual Care Fund	807.44
	888.50
Federal Grants	
Disability Assistance—Aid	451.74
Disability Assistance—Administrator	155.48
Aid to Dependent Children—Aid	2,392.24
Aid to Dependent Children—Administration	.87
Old Age Assistance—Aid	1,994.09
Old Age Assistance—Administration	455.01
	5,449.43
Revolving Funds	
School Athletic Fund	162.29
School Cafeteria Fund	2,271.80
	2,434.09
Appropriation Balances	
General Revenue	
Town Hall Repair of 1955	5,994.33
Fire Department Eaves & Conductor Pipes	46.96
Chapter 90 Construction	13,229.74
Oiling Church Street	155.06
Oiling Christian Hill Road	151.17
Oiling Warren Road	258.00
Church Street Guard Rail	68.55
Pleasant Street Sidewalk	2.62
Oiling South Street	59.45
West River Street Grading	.10
Chapter 90 Special Culvert	800.00
Machinery Maintenance	13.82
Civil Defense	206.02
J. P. Benoit Memorial	57.35
Non Revenue	
Water Construction Loan 1954	100.00
Water Mains & Extensions Loan 1955	636.25
Water Mains & Extension Loan 1955	
Warren Road	109.84
Water Loan of 1956	
Hartford Avenue & Main Street	2,193.44
Hartford Avenue	4,640.84
Fiske and Hartford Avenues	394.60
Maple Street	2,946.10
	32,064.24

Overestimates 1956	
County Hospital Assessment	1,046.60
Surplus War Bonds & Real Estate Fund	4,183.98
Cemetery Sale of Lots Funds	1,125.00
Reserve Fund Overlay Surplus	17,453.67
Overlays Reserved For Abatements	
Levy of 1956	467.26
Loans Authorized and Unissued	4,000.00
Temporary Loans—Anticipation of Reimbursement	
Highway Loan of 1956	32,500.00
Revenue Reserved Until Collected	
Tax Title & Tax Possession	3,683.71
Motor Vehicle Excise	4,441.27
Water	2,079.77
Departmental	3,872.32
	14,077.07
Reserves	
Tax Collector Discrepancy	315.32
Stopped Payment Checks	78.32
Old Age Assistance Recoveries	17,359.49
	17,753.13
Excess and Deficiency Surplus Revenue	33,294.83
Total	167,013.80

TOWN OF UPTON, MASSACHUSETTS

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	
Inside Debt Limit	
General	\$47,000.00
Enterprise—Water	55,000.00
	102,000.00
Outside Debt Limit	
General	84,000.00
Water—Enterprise	212,000.00
	296,000.00
	398,000.00
Inside Debt Limit	
Fire Station Loan	15,000.00
Elementary School Loan	32,000.00
Water Mains & Extensions Loan 1955	22,000.00
Water Extension Loan 1956	33,000.00
	102,000.00
Outside Debt Limit	
Elementary School Loan	84,000.00
Water Mains Loan 1954	20,000.00
Water Construction Loan 1954	192,000.00
	296,000.00
	398,000.00

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Cash and Securities		
In Custody of Town Treasurer	\$230,900.85	
In Custody of Trustees	8,422.01	
		\$239,322.86
In Custody of Town Treasurer		
William Knowlton Fund General Purposes	73,000.00	
William Knowlton Fund General Purposes		
Income Account	3,578.20	
George W. Knowlton Charity Fund	5,259.36	
Knowlton School Fund	11.74	
Charlotte A. Batchelor School Fund	5,000.00	
Ella Whitney Risteen School Fund	1,054.54	
Charlotte A. Batchelor Library Fund	5,000.00	
Dr. Carpenter Library Fund	1,000.00	
George H. Schultz Library Fund	2,000.00	
Nellie Bagley—Lakeview Cemetery Fund	32.14	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund		
Milford Federal Savings & Loan	1,550.00	
Worcester County Institute for Savings	22,735.00	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance Fund	2,143.52	
Ella Whitney Risteen Fund—Principal	84,095.32	
Ella Whitney Risteen Fund Income		
Clause B	4,938.10	
Clause C	2,464.16	
Clause D	1,791.69	
Post War Rehabilitation Fund	13,247.08	
		230,900.85
In Custody of Trustees		
Worcester County Trust Company Trustee		
C. A. Batchelor & G. W. Knowlton Fund	8,422.01	
		\$239,322.86

Harvey L. Martindale
Town Accountant

REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD

December 31, 1956

To the Board of Selectmen of Upton:

The Planning Board submits its first report.

For the past few years many of our residents have considered the need for municipal planning in Upton. These ideas finally found themselves being studied by special committees appointed for that purpose. After consideration, it was recommended that the town elect a five-member planning board which it did in 1956. The 1955 town report contains the report of the committee on planning and zoning and we refer you to that for a history of the matter, and the reason for the birth of a Planning Board in Upton.

The Board organized March 12, 1956. It held fourteen regular meetings, met with representatives of the Department of Commerce, Division of Planning, for advice and guidance. On September 6, 1956 a public hearing was held and Rules and Regulations for Subdivision Control in Upton were adopted and the same became effective as of that date. Qualifications were filed at the Registry of Deeds on September 26, 1956.

The Board is presently working on the matter of obtaining an official map for Upton.

Generally speaking, the effect of rules and regulations for subdivision control in our town means that the voters have placed under the control of the Planning Board the future development and subdivision of land in Upton. The Regulations define "Subdivision" as "the division of a tract of land into two or more lots in such manner as to require provision for one or more new ways, not in existence when the subdivision control law became effective in the Town of Upton, to furnish access for vehicular traffic to one or more of such lots, and shall include re-subdivision, and, when appropriate to the context, shall relate to the process of subdivision or the land or territory subdivided."

Briefly, the regulations prevent the haphazard, catch-as-catch-can build-it-and-worry-after sort of development in Upton.

They provide for the orderly and scientific development of our unbuilt areas into sightly and creditable neighborhoods. The subdivision control law may, in a sense, offend our ancient concept of land ownership. It may appear to some as an abuse of the constitutional police power. The purposes of the regulations however are to protect the safety, convenience and welfare of all the inhabitants of Upton; to insure adequate sanitary conditions, provide for safe and convenient travel, adequate public utilities, without the forced and unsolicited additional burden that sudden growth places upon the taxpayers. In other words, the regulations require that the sub-divider must, if he builds a new neighborhood in Upton, provide adequately in his subdivision, the common comforts and necessities which modern society no longer now regards as luxuries.

Of equal, if not of greater importance, and a parallel to sound planning, is the crying need for zoning in Upton. We have under consideration, a tentative set of Zoning Ordinances or By-Laws which will, after further study and presentation to various civic organizations, be presented to the voters for adoption. We cannot over-emphasize our sincere belief that Upton needs Zoning! The 60th Amendment to the Constitution provided that the General Court shall have the power to limit buildings to their use and construction to specified districts of cities and towns. In 1918 Upton had this power, as it has it today. What progress in retrospect could we see today had our citizens then have seen the advantage of zoning. We view today the product of an unplanned, unzoned town. All great improvements and reforms have taken years to final blossom and fruit. It is with serious but optimistic hope that we commend to the voters of Upton, when zoning regulations are presented for adoption, the long-range view of tomorrow, to protect the good we already have, and to build by caring, a better Upton for tomorrow.

From the support and cooperation of our interested citizens and town officials, we take heart.

Respectfully,

EVERETT H. NEWBEGIN, *Chairman*
HUGH C. BACON, *Secretary*
ROBERT E. MAYNARD
JONAS E. CARTER
HENRY C. WALKER

TOWN LIBRARY

TREASURER'S REPORT

Resources	
Town appropriation	\$1,430.00
Charlotte Batchelor Fund	150.00
Dr. Carpenter Fund	30.00
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	\$1,610.00
Expenditures	
Hazel L. Forsberg, Librarian	\$600.00
Eleanor Merrill, Assistant	91.80
Earline Fields, Assistant	11.25
Joan Smith, Assistant	65.25
Story and Reading Club Hours	45.00
Books	474.08
Magazines and Periodicals	118.25
Library Supplies	65.01
Binding books	47.75
Sofa reupholstered	77.45
Chair recaned	3.80
Transportation, Library Course	10.00
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	1,609.64
Unexpended balance	\$.36

SCHULTZ FUND

Balance, January 1, 1956	\$7.24
Income, 1956	60.00
Unexpended balance, December 31, 1956	\$67.24

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN A. FAY

Treasurer Library Trustees

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

To the Trustees of the Upton Library:

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

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

Gifts of magazines and books have been received from Mrs. Eleanor Merrill, Miss Rubelle Keniston, Mrs. Helen Bentley, Mrs. A. A. Bigelow, Mr. Chester Walker, Mr. David Colcord, Mr. Carl Paulson and the Kiwanis Club.

A check for \$100 was given to the librarian by the Kiwanis Club for the children's work. Part of it was spent for new books. Due to the increased circulation of children's books and the wide span that they must cover from pre-school picture books through all the grades up to the High School level a larger expenditure is needed and greatly appreciated. New books bought with this money are designated as gifts in the catalog.

This money was also spent on material for the summer reading clubs. There were two large and active clubs with a total of 45 children. Each member was given a map of the United States with colored cut outs to paste on when a book was read about each state. The children were most enthusiastic and many of the maps were completed, others are still working on them. A reading award was given to each child and a diploma. For the state of Massachusetts we read the life of Clara Barton and at the end of the summer, we visited her birthplace in Oxford. Mrs. Laurie Thompson, Mrs. Robert Griffin and Mrs. Jonas Carter generously helped with the transportation.

The Story Hour for the younger children was well attended with a registration of 55. With the Kiwanis gift, I was able to take this group to The Toy Cupboard Theater in South Lancaster to see the marionette show of Cinderella. Mr. Laurie Thompson generously took us in his bus free of charge. Four mothers accompanied me, Mrs. Jonas Carter, Mrs. Edward Prentiss, Mrs. Dorothy Francis, and Mrs. Donald Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Merrill gave the library a desk, a set of the Encyclopedia Britannica with a bookcase, and a number of books on gardening, science and fiction. We were very sorry to have them leave Upton. Mrs. Merrill had done so much for the library and was so interested in it. This Christmas she sent lollipops to the Story Hour and a beautiful winter bouquet for the library desk.

In October the Unitarian Ladies' Alliance invited me to talk about the children's work in the library and gave me a gift of \$5.00 to spend on children's books.

I cannot tell how deeply I appreciate these gifts and the interest and cooperation of so many people.

For Book Week, posters were exhibited at the schools and library with the slogan "It's Always Book Time." Book reviews were given for each grade. Book marks were distributed and a large number of new books were on display.

We have loaned 100 books to the Memorial School Library.

For Art Week, paintings by Mrs. Alice Hall and members of the Upton Art Guild were displayed at the library.

During the fall your librarian took a nine week course in Library Reference Work given by the State Division of Education at the Edgewell Library in Framingham on Thursday evenings. It was an interesting and very helpful course.

Five years of the National Geographics have been rebound in Topic form with a Topical Index. These will prove of great help to the school children in looking up subjects.

The hair cloth sofa has been reupholstered in a pretty cherry red and does much to brighten up the interior of the library.

I wish to thank Miss Helen Fay for assisting me in the spring and for taking charge of the library during my vacation.

I also thank the Trustees for their generous support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL L. FORSBERG,
Librarian

LIBRARY STATISTICS

	1955	1956
Days library open	102	100
Circulation:		
Volumes of fiction	3,102	3,176
Volumes of non-fiction	2,132	2,727
Children's Books	6,080	7,178
Periodicals	2,863	1,777
Total Circulation	14,177	14,858
Volumes added during 1956:		
By gift	65	
By purchase	249	
		314
Fines collected on overdue books	\$13.61	
Old paper sold	2.25	
Amount paid to Town Treasurer		\$15.86

LIBRARY HOURS

Wednesdays and Saturdays 3 to 6 and 7 to 9 P.M.

PERIODICALS RECEIVED REGULARLY

(*—indicates a gift)

American Heritage	Parents' Magazine
American Girl	Popular Mechanics
American Magazine	Popular Science
Antiques	Readers Digest
Atlantic Monthly	Saturday Evening Post
Better Homes and Gardens	Saturday Review of Literature
*Book of the Month Club News	Schools Arts
Boy's Life	Scientific American
*Destiny	Seventeen
Good Housekeeping	*Specialty Salesman
Harper's Magazine	*Steelways
*Healing Magazine	Time
Holiday	Travel
Home Craftsman	Wee Wisdom
*Ideals	Wilson Library Bulletin
Jack and Jill	*Worcester Art Museum
*Kiwanis' Magazine	Bulletin
Ladies' Home Journal	*Worcester County Farmer
Life	*World Tennis
National Geographic	*Yankee
*Our Dumb Animals	

BOOKS ADDED DURING THE YEAR

1956

(*—indicates a gift)

CLASSIFIED BOOKS

SCIENCE AND ART

Alexander, D. D.	Arthritis and common sense
Bentley, Nicholas	Pick of Punch
*Cameron, Charles	Truth about cancer
*Chabot, Ernest	Greenhouse gardening
Einstein, Charles	Fireside book of baseball
*Frazzini, L. D.	Butterflies and moths of America
*Free, Montague	All about house plants
*Free, Montague	Gardening
*Gardener, Helen	Art through the ages
Hokinson, H. E.	Hokinson festival
*Kains, M. G.	Five acres and independence
*Lane Publishing Co.	Building plant shelters and garden work centers
Michel Aime	Truth about flying saucers
*Miller, Max	Speak to the earth
*Pratt, Richard	Gardens in color
*Rodale, J. I.	Health finder
Sheen, F. J.	Life is worth living
*Sockman, Ralph	How to believe
Teale, E. M.	Autumn across America
Thomas, W. S.	Common mushrooms
*Walker, John	National gallery of art
*Weber, Josef	Dog in training
*Webster, H. M.	Herbs
Wendt, Gerald	You and the atom

LITERATURE

Baldwin, Faith	Face toward the spring
*Blackington, A. H.	Yankee yarns
Canfield, Dorothy	Harvest of stories
Cerf, Bennett	Life of the party
Droke, Maxwell	Speaker's handbook of humor
Kronenberger, Louis	Best plays of 1955-1956
*Mann, K.	Best of modern European literature
Posselt, Eric	Merry, merry Christmas book
Thurber, James	Further fables for our time

TRAVEL

Blanchard, D. C.	Nantucket landfall
Chamberlain, Samuel	Berkshires
*Chamberlain, Samuel	Nantucket
*Disney, Walt	Living desert
Keith, A. N.	Bare feet in the palace
Lord, Walter	Night to remember
Morton, H. V.	Stranger in Spain
Snow, E. R.	Vengeful sea

HISTORY

Catton, Bruce	This hallowed ground
Craven, W. F.	Legend of the founding fathers
Garrett, Garet	American story
Hoehling, A. A. M.	Lusitania
Kennedy, J. F.	Profiles in courage
*Mass. State Government	Citizen's handbook
Morison, S. E.	Intellectual life of colonial
	New England
*Swift, K. W.	Swift family
*Swift, K. W.	Whitin family
*Verrill, A. H.	Old civilizations of the new
	world

BIOGRAPHY

Anderson, Marion	My Lord, what a morning
Bennett, Arnold	Journal
Day, Beth	Little Professor of Piney Woods
*Fosdick, R. B.	Living of these days
Fosdick, H. E.	John D. Rockefeller, Jr.
Perkins, E. E.	Eve among the Puritans
Tharp, L. H.	Three saints and a sinner

REFERENCE

- * Encyclopedia Britannica, 1910 29 volumes
- * Encyclopedia Britannica, 1922-1926 3 volumes
- Lovejoy's College Guide 1956
- * Thomson, Outline of Science 1922-4 volumes

FICTION

Alexander, David	Paint the town black
*Allen, Hervey	Toward the morning
April, Jack	Feud at five rivers

Arkell, Reginald	Miracle of Merriford
Ashton, Helen	Half crown house
Auchincloss, Louis	Great world and Timothy
Austin, Gene	Secret brand
Bassett, S. W.	South cove summer
Benson, Ben	Target in taffeta
Bragg, W. F.	Ghost mountain guns
Brand, Max	Outlaw breed
Brick, John	Jubilee
Burnett, J. G.	Company man
Burns, Tex	Hopalong Cassidy
Carstens, Grace	Born a yankee
*Carstens, Grace	Harvest on the shore
*Castle, Marion	Deborah
*Christie, Agatha	Thirteen at dinner
Coles Manning	Alias Uncle Hugo
Conrad, Joseph	Lord Jim
Cord, Barry	Dry range
Cord, Barry	Trail to sundown
*Cormack, M. B.	Swamp boy
*Cost, March	Hour awaits
*Cotterell, Geoffrey	Westward the sun
Cronin, A. J.	Thing of beauty
Cushman, C. F.	Fatal step
Dawson, Peter	Dead man pass
Downey, Harris	Thunder in the room
Eastlake, William	Go in beauty
Eberhart, M. G.	Unknown Quantity
Eberhart, M. G.	Man missing
Eliot, G. F.	Caleb Petengill, U.S.N.
Elston, A. W.	Wyoming bubble
Ermine, Will	Iron bronc
Erskine, Margaret	Dead by now
Evan, Paul	This range is mine
Field, Peter	War in the painted buttes
Fisher, Clay	Brass command
Floren, Lee	Border gold
Floren, Lee	Shadow of my gun
Floren, Lee	Winchester wages
Garrett, Truman	Murder First edition
Gipson, Fred	Old yeller
Godden, Rumer	Episode of sparrows
Gooden, A. H.	Long trail
Gooden, A. H.	Shadowed trail
Goudge, Elizabeth	Rosemary tree

Gruber, Frank	Bugles west
Harris, Laura	Bride of the River
Haycox, Ernest	Adventurers
Haycox, Ernest	Last rodeo
Haywood, C. F.	No ship may sail
Hogan, R. J.	Savage rebel
Hollands, D. J.	Able company
Holmes, L. P.	Delta deputy
Hopkins, A. T.	Have a Lovely funeral
Hopkins, T. J.	Trouble in tombstone
Hopson, William	Gunfighters pay
Hulme, Kathryn	Nun's story
Innes, Hammond	Mary Deare
Joscelyn, A.	Gunman
Kane, Frank	Grave danger
Kennelly, Ardyth	Marry me, carry me
King-Hall, Magdalene	Wicked lady skelton
Lawrence, Josephine	Empty nest
*Lustgarten, Edgar	Game for three losers
MacDonald, W. C.	Three notch Cameron
MacLean, Allstair	H. M. S. Ulysses
Martin, Chuck	Circle F cowboy
Mason, F. V.	Himalayan assignment
McCaig, Robert	Haywire town
Miller, H. T.	Sing one song
Monsarrat, Nicholas	Tribe that lost its head
Moore, Robin	Pitchman
Neill, Robert	Hangman's cliff
Nelson, H. L.	Suspect
Nye, Nelson	Lonely grass
Nye, Nelson	Parson of gunbarrell basin
O'Connor, Edwin	Last hurrah
Ogilvie, Elis	No evil angel
Orr, M. I.	Mission to Mackinac
Parker, C. S.	Fabulous valley
Powell, Richard	False colors
Powell, Richard	Shot in the dark
Rehder, Jessie	Rembrance way
Reilly, Helen	Velvet hand
Rhode, John	Death at the dance
Roberts, Kenneth	Boon island
Roberts, W. & D.	Murder at Grand Bay
Robertson, F. C.	Saddle on a cloud
Rowe, Anne	Deadly intent
Sayers, D. L.	Nine tailors

*Schoonover, Lawrence	Burnished blade
Selby, John	Time was
Simenon, G.	No vacation for Maigret
Smith, Lew	Boothill court
Smith, Lew	Dusty wheels
Smith, Lew	Riders of white pine
Smith, Lew	Rimrock raiders
*Stagge, Jonathan	Death's old sweet song
Stanley, Chuck	Empty saddles
Stanley, Chuck	Frontier renegade
Stanley, Chuck	Man from elbow river
Stanley, Chuck	Rider of Pecos valley
Stevenson, D. E.	Summerhills
Stone, Irving	Men to match my mountains
*Stout, Rex	Second confession
Street, James	Captain little ax
Streeter, Edward	Merry Christmas, Mr. Baxter
Tey, Josephine	Daughter of time
Thayer, Lee	Dead reckoning
Tompkins, W. A.	Texas renegade
Tuttle, W. C.	Renegade sheriff
Van de Water, F. F.	Wings of the morning
Van Dusen, John	Vicarious years
Walker, Mildred	Southwest corner
Walker, Mildred	Winter wheat
Ward, Brad	Spell of the desert
Ward, Don	Branded west
Wayne, Joseph	Bunch grass
Webb, Jack	The damned lovely
Wellman, Paul	Jericho's daughter
Wells, Lee	Day of the outlaw
Wentworth, Patricia	Vanishing point
West, Jessamyn	Love, death and the ladies drill team
West, Rebecca	Fountain overflows

CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Adelson, Leone	All ready for summer
Adrian, Mary	Uranium mystery
Alexander, Anne	ABC of cars and trucks
Anauta	Wild like the foxes
Anderson, Neil	Tina and the too-big doll
Andrews, M. E.	Lanterns aloft
Annixter, Jane	Runner

Bailey, Bernadine	Colorado
Bailey, Bernadine	Georgia
Bailey, Bernadine	Indiana
Bailey, Bernadine	Iowa
Bailey, Bernadine	Michigan
Bailey, Bernadine	Minnesota
Bailey, Bernadine	Missouri
Bailey, Bernadine	New Jersey
Bailey, Bernadine	New York
Bailey, Bernadine	North Carolina
Bailey, Bernadine	Oklahoma
Bailey, Bernadine	Pennsylvania
Bailey, Bernadine	Tennessee
Bailey, Bernadine	Texas
Bailey, Bernadine	Virginia
Bailey, Bernadine	Wisconsin
Baker, N. B.	Amerigo Vespucci
Behn, Harry	Wizard in the well
*Beim, Jerrold	Andy and the school bus
*Beim, Jerrold	Country school
*Beim, Jerrold	Thin ice
*Beim, Jerrold	Too many sisters
Berrill, Jacquelyn	Albert Schweitzer
*Bialk, Elisa	Tizz takes a trip
Brink, C. R.	Family sabbatical
Burnett, Bernice	Holidays
Burr, Sybil	Night train to Scotland
Butterworth, Oliver	Enormous egg
Carter, Page	Mystery at ding-dong gulch
Cassell, Sylvia	Nature games and activities
Caudill, Rebecca	Susan Cornish
*Cavanna, Betty	Boy next door
Cleary, Beverly	Fifteen
Colver, Anne	Yankee Doodle painter
*Cormack, M. B.	Swamp boy
Cromam, D. Y.	Mystery at steamboat ranch
Dahl, Borghild	Daughter
*Dalglish, Alice	Columbus story
*Dalglish, Alice	Ride on the wind
*Darling, Louis	Penguins
Disney, Walt	Robin Hood
Douglas, Gilbert	Hard to tackle
Downer, Marion	David and the sea gulls
Du Bois, W. P.	Lion
Du Jardin, Rosamond	Real thing

Duncan, J. M.	Down the mast road
Eager, Edward	Knight's castle
Ellis, M. J.	Gobble, gobble, gobble
Emery, Anne	First love, true love
*Eschmeyer, R. W.	Al alligator
*Eschmeyer, R. W.	Billy bass
*Eschmeyer, R. W.	Bob white
*Eschmeyer, R. W.	Bobby bluegill
*Eschmeyer, R. W.	Charley cottontail
*Eschmeyer, R. W.	Freddy fox squirrel
*Eschmeyer, R. W.	Mac millard
*Eschmeyer, R. W.	Tommy trout
*Eschmeyer, R. W.	Willie Whitetail
*Eschmeyer, R. W.	Woody woodcock
Evans, Dale	Prayer book for children
Farjeon, Eleanor	Little bookworm
Farley, Walter	Black stallion's courage
Finney, Gertrude	Is this my love
Floherty, J. J.	Forest ranger
Francoise	Jeanne—Marie in gay Paris
Frazier, N. L.	Young Bill Fargo
Friermood, E. H.	That Jones girl
Goetz, Delia	Deserts
Graham, A. P.	Clara Barton
Hall, E. A.	Adventure at table mountain
Hays, W. P.	Christmas on the Mayflower
Hightower, Florence	Mr. Wappinger's secret
Honness, Elizabeth	Mystery at the doll hospital
Honness, Elizabeth	Mystery of the diamond necklace
Hunt, M. L.	Stars for Christy
Johnson, Enid	Cowgirl Kate
Judson, Jeanne	Carol Trent, air stewardess
Kahl, Virginia	Maxie
Lambert, Janet	Fly away, Cinda
Lawson, Robert	Capt. Kidd's cat
*Leaf, Munro	Story of Ferdinand
Lenski, Lois	Berries in the scoop
*Lenski, Lois	Now it's fall
Lenski, Lois	Papa Small
*Lenski, Lois	We live by the river
Lent, H. B.	Men at work in New England
*Lewellen, John	Tommy learns to fly
Lewicki, J. L.	Christmas tales
*Lindman, Maj	Snowboot
Marino, Dorothy	That's my favorite

Marks, M. K.	Fish on the tide
*Martignoni, Margaret	Children's literature
*Maule, Frances	Careers for the home economist
McCready, T. L. Jr.	Mr. Stubbs
Montgomery, R. G.	Golden stallion's victory
Moore, Lilian	Wobbly wheels
*Nesbit, E.	Children's Shakespeare
Ogilvie, Elizabeth	Blueberry summer
Oldrin, John	Eight rings on his tail
O'Malley, Patricia	Happy landings for Ann
Orsmb, V. H.	It's Saturday
Patchett, M. E.	Flight to the misty planet
Peale, N. V.	Coming of the King
Pearce, C. O.	Jules Verne, his life
Peckinpah, Betty	Coco is coming
*Ripper, C. L.	Hawks
Schoor, Gene	Joe DiMaggio
Sears, P. M.	Fire-fly
Simpson, Dorothy	Island in the bay
Sorenson, Virginia	Plain girl
Steele, W. C.	Davy Crockett's earthquake
Syme, Ronald	Balboa
Thomas, J. G.	One little baby
Tousey, Sanford	Cowboy Tommy
Tresselt, Alvin	Wake up, farm
*Wadsworth, W. L	Peter Rabbit
*Walden, A. M.	Waverly
Whitney, P. A.	Highest dream
*Whitney, P. A.	Mystery of the black diamonds
*Wilson, Hazel	His Indian brother
Winterfield, Henry	Detectives in Togas

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

AND

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

OF THE

TOWN OF UPTON

FOR THE

Year Ending, December 31, 1956

ORGANIZATION

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Elsie J. Craib, Chairman	Term expires 1957
Richard Stockwell, Sec'y.	Term expires 1958
Dr. Lee C. Bird	Term expires 1959

SUPERINTENDENT

Residence	Office
Grafton VErnon 9-3135	Grafton VErnon 9-4527

CLERK

Residence	Office
Grafton VErnon 9-2630	Grafton VErnon 9-4527

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Bernard F. McKernan, M.D.
Upton—LAkeside 9-2648

SCHOOL NURSE

Mrs. Ruth L. Nichols, R.N.
Upton—LAkeside 9-3433

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Wilfred Bedard
Upton—LAkeside 9-6238

WORKING CERTIFICATES

Working certificates may be obtained from Mrs. Elsie J. Craib, or at the office of the Superintendent of Schools, Grafton Town Hall. Office hours are from 8:00 A.M., to 12:00 M, and from 1:00 P.M., to 5:00 P.M.

FACULTY RESIGNATIONS

Irene Hudson
Rita Reynolds

FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

Jane Nugent
Jane O'Hara

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1956-1957

Fall term, sixteen weeks:

Term begins Wednesday, September 5
Term ends Friday, December 21

Winter term, seven weeks:

Term begins Wednesday, January 2
Term ends Friday, February 15

Spring term, seven weeks:

Term begins Monday, February 25
Term ends Friday, April 12

Summer term, nine weeks:

Term begins Monday, April 22
Term ends Friday, June 21

Fall term, sixteen weeks:

Term begins Wednesday, September 4
Term ends Friday, December 20

HOLIDAYS

April 19—Good Friday; May 30—Memorial Day; October 12—Columbus Day; November 1—Teachers' Convention; November 11—Armistice Day; November 20, at noon for remainder of week—Thanksgiving recess.

NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL

The fire alarm will be sounded at 6:45 A.M. in each section of Town, and announcements will be made over Radio Station WTAG.

AGE OF ADMISSION

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

REGISTRATION
UPTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

October 1, 1956

School	1	2	3	4	5	6	Total
Upton Memorial	29	32	39	56	64	49	269
George S. Ball	20	32	22	—	—	—	74
	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	49	64	61	56	64	49	343
School	7	8	9	10	11	12	Total
Grafton High	—	—	—	—	—	24	24
Northbridge	48	52	30	22	27	—	179
Northbridge	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Vocational (2)	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
Household Arts (24)	—	—	—	—	—	—	24
Grand total							572

REPORT OF SCHOOL CENSUS

October 1, 1956

Age	5-7	7-16	Total
Boys	67	256	323
Girls	48	270	318
	115	526	641

UPTON
CLASS OF 1956
GRAFTON HIGH SCHOOL

Carol Barber	William Noe
Frank Fletcher	Peter Nydam
Gail Francis	Sandra Paine
Brenda French	Robert Phillips
Judith Haight	Jane Poirier
Irene Kearnan	Richard Scholl
Joan Macker	Gwendolyn Smith
John Macker	Richard Stank
Arlene Negus	Arlene Swanson
Donald Nelson	Joseph Veghte

Beverly Vogeley

TEACHERS IN SERVICE DECEMBER 1956

<i>School</i>	<i>Teacher</i>	<i>Graduate of</i>	<i>Degrees</i>	<i>Date Appointed</i>
MEMORIAL	Edward J. Furphy, Prin.	Holy Cross College Worcester Teachers College	A.B., B.S.E., M.Ed.	Sept., 1949
	Helen I. Donham (Mrs.)	Framingham Teachers College		Sept., 1953
	Irene C. Williams (Mrs.)	Framingham Teachers College		Sept., 1943
	Jean P. Andersen	Framingham Teachers College	B.S.E.	Sept., 1954
	Joanna Workman (Mrs.)	Colby College	A.B.	Sept., 1954
	Jane Nugent	Trinity College	B.A.	Sept., 1956
	Jane O'Hara	Pembroke College	A.B.	Sept., 1956
	Sandra Vecchoine	Worcester Teachers College	B.S.	Sept., 1955
	Doris L. Loukes (Mrs.)	Johnson Normal		Sept., 1951
	Pearl E. Kimball (Mrs.)	Gorham State Teachers College		Sept., 1954
GEORGE S. BALL	Mary E. Greany (Mrs.)	Worcester Teachers College		Sept., 1947
	Gladys Holmes (Mrs.)	Framingham Teachers College		Sept., 1955
	Teresa J. Trask (Mrs.)	Framingham Teachers College		Sept., 1948
MUSIC SUPERVISOR:	*Arlyne M. Marcy	New England Conservatory of Music		Sept., 1938
ART SUPERVISOR:	*Marjorie K. Weed (Mrs.)	Cleveland Institute of Art		Sept., 1953
HANDWRITING SUP.:	W. L. Rinehart			
JANITORS:	Wilfred N. Bedard		Sept., 1953	
	*Stephen Logee		Sept., 1952	

*Part Time

FINANCIAL REPORT OF
UPTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE
JANUARY 1, 1957

INCOME

Appropriation:

Salaries	\$ 55,635.00
General Control	3,526.00
Plant Operation & Maintenance	5,300.00
Transportation	21,414.25
Tuition	57,047.82
General Expenses	3,050.00
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	145,973.07

1955 Dog Tax refund—General Expenses	743.58
Charlotte Batchelor Fund	150.00
Finance Committee Transfer—	
Transportation	1,392.41
Plant Operation & Maintenance	731.50
Refunds	22.51
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	\$3,040.00
Unexpended Balance	149,013.07
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	3,210.05
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	\$145,803.02

State Reimbursements on Account Of Schools:

General School Fund	27,825.87
Superintendent's Salary	926.85
School Transportation	15,776.95
Chapter No. 514	1,384.82
(Certified by State Dept.)	
Vocational Tuition & Transportation	2,539.74
State Wards	971.80
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	49,426.03

Net Cost to Town from Local Taxation	\$96,376.99
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EXPENDITURES

SALARIES:

Teachers:

Jean P. Andersen	3,162.66
Loretta Bryne	90.00
Susanna Colton	10.00
Helen Donham	3,312.66
Edna Furphy	277.91
Edward Furphy	4,217.94
Mary E. Greany	3,762.50
Katherine Goldthwaite	10.00
Gladys Holmes	2,919.33
Irene Hudson	2,329.22
Jane Kelley	30.00
Pearl Kimball	3,312.66
Claire Larson	150.00
Doris Loukes	3,795.94
Elizabeth McMahon	10.00
Frances McQueen	210.00
Arlyne Marcy	652.58
Lucy Nichols	100.00
Jane Nugent	1,033.44
Jane O'Hara	1,243.64
Rita Reynolds	2,429.22
Edith Shaughnessy	120.00
Teresa Trask	3,762.50
Sandra Vecchoine	3,012.66
Marjorie Weed	638.58
Aline Whipple	10.00
Irene Williams	3,962.58
Joanna Workman	3,162.66

\$47,728.68

Miscellaneous:

Science Research Association	133.58
Richard Stockwell	30.00
Mass. Association of School Committees	25.00
Film Strip of the Month Club	30.00
Spencer Printing Co.	15.85
Dr. Martin Gluck	105.00
W. L. Rinehart	500.00
Mrs. Norma Wood	17.73
Mrs. Ada White	29.00
Bay State Society for Crippled and Handicapped	135.00

Mrs. Clarence Forsberg	150.00	
		\$1,171.16
Janitors:		
Wilfred Bedard	2,887.16	
Stephan Logee	943.72	
		\$3,830.88
Nurse	724.98	
Physician	300.00	
Cafeteria Manager	1,800.00	
		\$2,824.98
Total Salaries		\$55,555.70
GENERAL CONTROL:		
Harry Y. Hilyard—Salary	1,950.02	
Harry Y. Hilyard—Transp.	299.87	
Margaret Andrews—Salary	774.84	
Audrey Alsop—Salary	8.13	
Doris Fowler—Salary	222.38	
Ruth Lafin—Salary	74.45	
		\$3,330.69
Census:		
Mrs. Donald Johnson	53.35	
Mrs. Lucille Mettey	53.35	
		\$106.70
General:		
Stephan Logee	1.00	
The Grade Teacher	5.00	
J. E. Davidson	36.00	
World Book Co.	32.71	
Johnson Office Supply	6.90	
The College Bindery	7.00	
		\$88.61
Total for General Control		\$3,526.00
PLANT OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE:		
Repairs:		
Samuel F. Mitchell	57.05	
Robert B. Paine	20.76	

Nelson L. Pratt	87.70
Beaudette & Co., Inc.	9.10
Laurence H. Atwood	137.50
Beaulieu & Munroe	24.75
W. G. Fiske Lumber Co.	33.94
Aetna Engineering Co.	168.00
L. R. Thompson	205.50
Ditto, Inc.	27.90
Upton Fuel & Construction Co.	2.50
Walter Hopkins & Son	219.69
Audio Vi Sales Co.	15.00
Vincent Powers	25.00
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	\$1,034.39
Toilet Supplies:	
Perkins & Butler	82.50
Rochester Germicide Co.	169.00
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	\$251.50
Janitors Supplies:	
Acme Chemical Co.	44.00
W. G. Fiske Lumber Co.	20.80
J. I. Holcomb Mig. Co.	151.25
Stone & Forsythe Co.	37.50
C. B. Dolge Co.	50.85
Boston Janitors Supply	27.97
Brulin & Co.	130.42
Empire Laboratories	17.75
Ed. Harvey	14.00
Perkins & Butler, Inc.	122.76
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	617.30
Lights: Worcester County Electric	973.50
Fuel:	
L. R. Thompson	1,963.47
Upton Fuel & Construction	805.45
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Gas: Worcester Gas Light	\$2,768.92
Telephone:	184.84
N. E. Telephone & Telegraph	269.24
Water: Upton Water Dept.	24.00
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Total for Plant Operation & Maintenance	\$6,123.69

TRANSPORTATION:

Regular:

George Poirier	9,436.85
Laurie Thompson	8,027.91
Daniel Fay	4,158.65
Carlstrom Bus Lines	541.00
Frank S. Guerin	6.00
Melvin Hentz	12.00

\$22,182.41

Vocational:

Carlstrom Bus Lines	607.15
Mrs. M. Robertson	2.50

\$609.65

Total for Transportation

\$22,792.06

TUITION:

Regular:

Town of Grafton	7,401.88
Town of Northbridge	39,730.58
Town of Milford	937.15

\$48,069.61

Vocational:

City of Worcester	2,083.69
Town of Northbridge	1,230.40
Town of Framingham	21.60

\$3,335.69

Chapter No. 514:

Town of Grafton	2,180.24
George Poirier	198.00
Carlstrom Bus Lines	165.00
L. R. Thompson	60.00

\$2,603.24

Total for Tuition

\$54,008.54

OTHER GENERAL EXPENSES:

Books:

Scott, Foresman Co.	1,340.07
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Continental Press Co.	13.24
Ditto, Inc.	6.50
Ginn & Co.	52.87
D. C. Heath & Co.	47.08
Houghton Mifflin Co.	98.31
Lyons & Carnahan	59.19
O. H. Toothaker	9.46
American Book Co.	132.94
Beckley-Cardy Co.	19.17
C. S. Hammond Co.	7.75
The Macmillan Co.	46.89
F. E. Compton Co.	120.79
Silver Burdett Co.	251.01
Doubleday & Co., Inc.	92.50
Arlo Publishing Co.	4.60
Charles Scribners	51.61
The Garrard Press	4.66
Martin & Murray Co., Inc.	35.50
James Millward, Jr.	11.71
Year, Incorporated	16.45
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	\$2,422.30
Supplies:	
J. L. Hammett Co.	444.58
Mainco Trading	128.48
Milton Bradley Co.	109.07
Film Strip Club	30.00
Mac-Ben Sporting Goods	70.59
M. E. O'Brien & Sons, Inc.	104.81
Johnson Office Supply Co.	67.50
Educational Audio Visual	20.06
Gledhill Bros.	87.23
Continental Press, Inc.	16.49
Hearne Bros.	37.50
Edward B. Hutchinson	5.94
News Map of the Week, Inc.	19.75
W. G. Fiske Lumber Co.	2.25
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	\$1,144.25
Printing & Postage:	
Mrs. Forsberg	2.07
U. S. Post Office	25.11
Milford Daily News	27.00
George Newton	30.38

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Edward Furphy	4.20
Spencer Printing Co.	33.60
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	\$122.36
Health Supplies: Fred W. Wood	15.87
Express & Trucking:	
Upton Fuel & Construction	15.00
Ed. Harvey & Son	75.25
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Total for General Expenses	\$90.25
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$3,795.03
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	\$145,803.02

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Upton School Committee
Upton, Massachusetts

Mrs. Elsie Craib and Gentlemen:

It is a pleasure to submit my fourth annual report on the progress of the Public Schools of Upton. This report is designed to interpret to the citizens of Upton through its School Committee, detailed information, together with certain highlights concerning the activities of the Public School System during the year 1956.

Perhaps the outstanding event was the Workshop for Elementary School Teachers at Memorial School, Friday, October the 5th. Participating towns included Hopedale, Upton, Bellingham, Uxbridge, Mendon and Whitinsville. The theme of the Workshop was "Improvement in Written Expression." Panel discussions and group meetings were held by teachers of kindergarten, primary, intermediate and upper grades. This proved to be a stimulating experience for all teachers.

The Superintending School Committee expresses thank you to all who made a contribution to this Workshop.

The Special School of Instruction established at Grafton under Chapter #514 of the General Laws, and attended by nine Upton pupils, has been a tremendous educational experience for these youngsters. It enjoys the services of specially trained personnel including teachers, psychologists, psychiatrists and a guidance counselor. These people are all on call from the Youth Guidance Center. The cost of the program to the Town of Upton is reimbursed on a 50% basis by the Commonwealth.

A new testing program was introduced into the Upton schools for the first time this year. Namely the "Science Research Associates Tests." These tests were administered to grades four, five and six. This achievement battery measures mastery of four basic skills, language perception, language arts, reading and arithmetic. The local norm compares favorably with the national norm in all

areas. It is keyed to the modern elementary curriculum. The results provide the administrator with vital data for new appraisal of student achievement and curriculum effectiveness.

The "Science Research Associates Mental Abilities Tests" were administered to grade one. It purports to measure reasoning, and space perception, and numbers.

The School Committee came to grips this year with the problem of admitting children to school before they were socially, emotionally and physically ready for the first grade. The entrance age was increased to five years, nine months from five years, six months, thus assuring a greater degree of maturity, resulting in a better school adjustment.

The citizens of Upton are to be commended for the continued study of the secondary school housing problem. This year we are sending 222 students to Northbridge and Grafton at a cost of \$50,672.85. Both the number of students and the cost will increase tremendously in the next three years. The Upton School Committee is in receipt, from the Northbridge School Committee, of a letter stating that Upton students cannot be accommodated after 1960. Rising costs and expanding enrollment continue to plague the efforts of school committees to carry out their mandate, which is to furnish adequate training and to provide facilities to carry on the program.

The following tables giving comparative costs will be of interest to the citizens of Upton. May I commend to you a study of the financial report submitted by the School Committee, with the reports from the supervisors of art, music, and the operation of the cafeteria.

For the continued support and counsel given to me by the School Committee and for the helpfulness of all interested in the Public Schools, I am indeed grateful.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY Y. HILYARD
Superintendent of Schools

PER PUPIL COST — SCHOOL YEAR 1955-1956

	Valuation per pupil in net average membership	From local taxation per \$1,000 valuation	Rate of total tax per \$1,000 valuation	From local taxation per pupil in net average membership	From State Reimbursement per pupil in net average membership	From all sources per pupil in average membership	From all sources per pupil in net average membership
UPTON	6,118	22.70	45.00	138.88	68.39	338.24	208.84
Towns under 5,000 population with no High School	7,947	21.77	—	172.95	71.71	300.68	247.59
STATE	11,562	18.66	—	215.72	40.29	260.72	261.95

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY Y. HILYARD
Superintendent of Schools

PER PUPIL EXPENDITURE FOR SCHOOL SUPPORT IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF MASS.

For Year 1956 — By Major Divisions of the School Budget

	STATE		Towns under With no High School		UPTON	
	Cost	Per Pupil	Per-cent	Cost	Per Pupil	Per-cent
General Control	8.46		3.1	13.27	4.2	4.80
Salaries	185.29		67.7	141.31	44.2	68.50
Textbooks	3.59		1.3	4.46	1.4	3.13
Supplies	8.92		3.3	6.93	2.2	.19
Janitor service, Fuel & Misc. Expenses	32.50		11.9	29.13	9.1	10.44
Repairs, Maintenance, Upkeep	11.86		4.3	8.08	2.5	3.55
Libraries	0.41		0.2	0.31	0.1	—
Health	4.12		1.5	3.52	1.1	.17
Transportation	9.26		3.4	45.82	14.3	31.95
Tuition	3.10		1.1	63.42	19.9	83.54
Physical Education	2.18		0.8	0.46	0.1	—
School Lunch	0.87		0.3	1.26	0.4	2.51
Miscellaneous	2.95		1.1	1.42	0.5	.06
TOTAL	273.51		100.	319.39	100.	208.84
						100.

*Low — due to high tuition to other towns

† This item included in Books

‡ We pay tuition 7 & 8 grades as well as High School

REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

Mr. Harry Y. Hilyard
Superintendent of Schools
Upton, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Hilyard:

The art department in Upton had a busy schedule in 1956. An art exhibit was held in the Memorial and Ball Schools in June. Many interesting units and individual works were on exhibit. Displays for the teachers' conference and the holidays along with open house made up most of the art curriculum for the fall months. New materials and ideas were introduced and correlated with regular classwork.

The teachers and pupils alike have worked extremely hard to make this year a profitable one. We hope the children have enjoyed, as well as learned in their art classes.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

MARJORIE K. WEED
Art Supervisor

REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR

Mr. Harry Y. Hilvard
Superintendent of Schools
Upton, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Hilyard:

I herewith submit my annual report as Supervisor of Music.

The aim of music instruction is to cause children to know, to love, and to understand music in as many forms as possible, and thus to bring added joy into their lives and added culture and refinement into their nature.

Some of the objectives of music education are first, to provide maximum individual growth and development through music activities, resulting in desirable attitudes, interests, relationships, and skills. Second, to provide joyful experiences with beauty, and to promote individual development in music understanding and skills by participating appropriately in all areas of musical experience.

Music assists the child in understanding and appreciating his own culture, and other contemporary cultures, and past cultures. A music education program is a sequence of aesthetic experiences which provide enjoyment, relaxation and personality development.

Several programs have been performed throughout the entire school system in order to give students the benefit of active participation in vital musical experiences.

Rote songs are taught in the first and second grades. Note reading is introduced in the third grade and is enlarged upon in the fourth, fifth and sixth grades, where two and three part music is sung.

In closing, I would like to extend my sincere thanks to the Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Hilyard, to the School Committee, and to the teachers for their assistance and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

ARLYNE M. MARCY
Supervisor of Music

REPORT OF THE HANDWRITING SUPERVISOR

Mr. Harry Y. Hilyard
Superintendent of Schools
Grafton, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Hilyard:

Once again I am pleased to report on the operation of the handwriting program for the past year.

Your teachers have continued to give us the splendid co-operation which has become traditional in your schools and for the many courtesies extended to me and my personnel I am most grateful.

Our records show at the conclusion of June 1956 that 100% of the papers scored were Excellent or Good. It is reasonable to conclude, therefore, that 100% of the papers were eminently satisfactory. No papers were rated Fair or Unsatisfactory.

During the past school year we graded and diagnosed approximately 10,800 samples of handwriting for your pupils. A formal test was administered at four teaching-week intervals and a report was furnished each teacher in writing giving a careful diagnosis of the handwriting of each pupil in the room. We supplied the following instructional and motivational materials to your pupils and teachers: teacher outlines and folders, pupil folders, motivation graphs, individual certificates to pupils who qualified, diagnostic charts, handedness tests, envelopes, seals, etc.

Our primary objective is to teach your students to read and write both cursive handwriting and hand lettering in order that they may have these two tools as efficient aids in school, business, and social correspondence. At each grade level we attempt to achieve the standard norm in speed and never lose sight of the fact that the concomitants of neatness, accuracy, and attention to detail in doing work are desirable characteristics that need to be developed along with technical skill.

Respectfully submitted,

W. L. RINEHART
Handwriting Supervisor

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Harry V. Hilyard
Superintendent of Schools
Upton, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Hilyard:

I hereby submit the annual report of the School Health Program.

Daily report of absentees are given to the nurse by teachers. A conference is held with the principal and teachers as to referrals for care, advise and home visits to be made.

Physical examinations have been completed by Dr. McKernan. Notices of defects found were sent to parents and follow-up work is carried on throughout the year.

The Audiometer Test for hearing has been completed.

The Massachusetts Vision Test is being given.

The Patch Test was given to pupils in grades one and four. All were found negative.

The Salks Poliomyelitis Vaccine, sponsored by The Upton Board of Health, has been given to pupils with their parents consent. Ninety-eight percent have received two injections.

Our five pupils who came down with Polyomyelitis last year are attending classes in school.

Pupils with prolonged illnesses received instructions by teachers in their homes, this helps the pupil to keep up with their classes.

I wish to thank Mr. Hilyard, The School Committee, Teachers and Parents for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH L. NICHOLS, R.N.

REPORT OF THE CAFETERIA MANAGER

Mr. Harry V. Hilyard
 Superintendent of Schools
 Upton, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Hilyard:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Upton School Cafeteria.

Our teachers, cafeteria employees and our janitor, Mr. Bedard, have been most cooperative in helping to accomplish the aims of the School Lunch Program.

The School Lunch Program continues to grow with 74% of our pupils buying hot lunches and 96% consuming milk. We are still striving to have all Upton pupils participate in the School Lunch Program or the Special Milk Program in 1957.

In January we are planning to purchase needed equipment to further improve our cafeteria program.

The financial statement follows:

Receipts:

Balance January 1, 1956	\$ 1,325.90
Cafeteria Sales	11,067.66
U.S.D.A. Claims	4,342.39
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	\$16,735.95

Expenditures:

Food and Milk	\$ 9,625.89
Payrolls	3,855.95
Equipment	982.31
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Balance January 1, 1957	\$ 14,464.15
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	\$ 2,271.80

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET M. DesBARRES,
Manager

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