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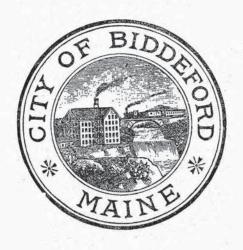
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ANNUAL REPORT

CITY OF BIDDEFORD



For Fiscal Year

Beginning December 1st, 1936

And Ending November 30, 1937



Mayor WILFRID LANDRY

CITY GOVERNMENT

Mayor

WILFRID LANDRY

City Council

Councilmen at Large

FABIEN BLANCHETTE

MAURICE A. CABANA

HARRY E. McKenzie

EMILE LESSARD

Ward Councilmen

CARL R. LOWELL	Ward 1
WILFRID COTE	Ward 2
Archille Croteau	Ward 3
George L. Landry	Ward 4
JOHN B. PARE	Ward 5
ERNEST DESMARAIS	Ward 6
THOMAS P. McGARITY	Ward 7

Municipal Court

Louis B. Lausier, Judge

Daniel E. Crowley, Recorder

City Clerk

Armand Duquette

City Solicitor

WILLIAM P. DONAHUE

City Treasurer
William E. Shaw

City Auditor
Albert E. Pare

Board of Assessors

THOMAS H. SIMPSON, Chief Assessor

LINIERE DOYON JOHN P. GARTLAND

Tax Collector
SAUL GAGNE

Health and Welfare

Henry Boisvert, Clerk of Overseers of the Poor

Jules Marcoux, Superintendent of the Homestead

Dr. Oscar Perreault, Health Officer

Board of Education
Wilfrid Landry, Chairman

John J. Dunn Louis J. Painchaud SUSAN N. PIPER

PAUL F. GRACE

Superintendent of Schools
A. Alton Garcelon, Jr.

Truant Officer
PERCY C. McKeen
Police Commissioners

Antoine A. Petit, *Chairman*Leo Joncas Armand Duquette

Chief of Police
RODOLPHE VANASSE

Captain of Police
CLEMENT DESCHAMBEAULT

Board of Engineers of the Fire Department
Frank Cantara, Chief Engineer
Napoleon Verrier, First Assistant Engineer
Timothy A. Hayes, Second Assistant Engineer

Street Commissioner, District No. 4
ALBERT CADORETTE

Assistant Street Commissioner
Louis A. Pariseau

Trustees Woodlawn Cemetery
Wilfrid Landry, Chairman

GEORGE W. BRIDGMAN

DANIEL JELLESON

Superintendent of Burials
Frederick D. Rumery

Milk Inspector
HARRY F. DINEEN

Electrical Inspector
SAMUEL LACERTE

Inspector of Buildings
THOMAS BLANCHETTE

Park Commissioner
Joseph H. Stone

Board of Registration of Voters

ULDERIC COTE, Chairman

C. WILSON PLACE RAY A. BURLEIGH

December 11, 1937.

Hon. Wilfrid Landry and Members of the City Council,
Biddeford, Maine:

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the Council's order dated November 1, 1937, we have made an examination of the records of the City of Biddeford for the year ended November 30, 1937.

In our opinion, based on such an examination, the accompanying Balance Sheet, Statement of Revenues and Expenditures and supporting schedules fairly present the financial condition of the City of Biddeford at November 30, 1937, and the result of its operations for the year ended on that date.

The records were found to be kept in the same efficient manner as in the past year.

We offer our sincere thanks to all concerned for the cooperation rendered us.

Respectfully submitted,

F. L. ELLIOTT,
M. A. NAPOLITANO,
State Dept. of Audit.

REPORT OF TREASURER

Cash Balance,	November 30,				
1936				2	5,228,61
	Ri	ECEIPTS			
Taxes:					
	tate	8699 275 89			
	••••••				
		71.99			
	tate and Per-				
		304,116.22			
		4,467.00			
		1,148.52			
1935 Poll		798.00			
1934		94.60			
1933		2,477.46			
1932		21.00			
1931		96.00			
1930		3.00			
1925		5.30			
			31,090,416.52		
Tax Liens:					
		\$12,427.98			
		65,834.46			
1934		739.27			
			79,001.71		
Tax Deeds:		AND ALL AND AN ARRANGAN			
		\$185.37			
		222.50			
		110.22			
		67.28			
		111.65			
		76.21			
Prior to 1926		50.10	000.00		
			823.33)	

Accounts Receivable		11,607.18
Accounts Payable		1,668.66
Bonds		165,000.00
City Building Rents		10,436.60
General Licenses		479.00
Fire Department:		
Town of North Kennebunk-		
port	\$100.00	
Frank Cantara	1.50	
Swift & Co	1.50	
Miscellaneous	6.55	
-		109.55
Police Department:		
Treasurer York County	\$3,985.37	
Election Department	45.00	
J. A. Deering & Son	203.75	
A. & P. Tea Co	47.85	
R. Vanasse	310.00	
Miscellaneous	29.79	
-		4,621.76
Sewers and Drains-Permits		339.95
Contingent:		000.00
State of Maine — Dog Tax		
Refund	122.42	
State of Maine — R. R. and	122.12	
Tel. Tax	676.31	
State of Maine—Bank Stock	010.51	
Tax	1 536 39	
Men's Room	1,536.32 17.27	
	61.60	
Refunds	The second second	
Licenses	129.00	
Miscellaneous	483.63	2 006 55
		3,026.55
Highway District No. 4:		
Use of Equipment	\$300.00	
State of Maine	195.50	
Somesville Bridge	200.00	
W. P. A.	200.00	
Diamond Match Co	215.14	
Miscellaneous	795.38	
Wiscendieous	100.00	_ 1,906.02
	-11-	1,000.00

State Aid Road—1937: State of Maine		3,566.11	
		5,500.11	
Pauper Department: State of Maine Towns or Cities	\$5,832.83 1,658.78	7,491.61	
TT		1,101.01	
Homestead:		100.00	
Jules MarcouxLibrary:		180.80	1.5
State of Maine	\$	170.00	
Interest	,	2,176.19	
Woodlawn Cemetery		450.00	
Tax Anticipation Notes		500,000.00	
W. P. A.:		000,000.00	
Diamond Match Co	\$395.96		
Miscellaneous	340.44		
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Armory:			
State of Maine		450.00	
Dog Licenses		256.45	
State of Maine - R. R. and			
Tel. Tax		545.01	
S -1 1			
Schools:	610 100 00		
Saco-Lowell			
State of Maine			
Tuitions	747.71		
Miscellaneous	199.80	FR 010 00	
		57,218.28	
Trust Fund Income		315.50	
Cemetery Trust Funds		500.00	
Snow-State of Maine		1,102.77	
Total Receipts			\$1,944,595.95
Tratal Assettation			\$1,949,824.56
Total Available			1,912,799.75
Warrants Paid			
Cash Balance, Novem-			
ber 30, 1937			\$37,024.81
Der 00, 1001			

Reconciliation Treasurer's Cash

Cash Book Balance	\$37,024.81
Checks Outstanding	
	\$60,007.73
Bank Balance	\$48,320.05
Cash on Hand	11,687.68
	\$60,007.73

Summary of Accounts

November 30, 1937.

	November	00, 1001.
	Overdrafts	Unexpended
Election Department\$	249.24	
Fire Department	37.79	
Street Lights	176.22	
Insane	159.10	
Waste Department	131.53	
Highway District, No. 4	1,493.05	
Fortune's Rocks	.60	
Newtown Road	9.45	
Resurfacing Streets	2,703.94	
Ward 7, North	19.36	
Ward 7, East	1.77	
Ward 7, West	18.45	
1937 State Aid Construction	.06	
Third Class Maintenance	734.70	
Pauper Department	7,852,74	
Mother's Aid	1,411.00	
Homestead	669.14	
Parks	3.75	
Armory Rental	36.38	
1934 Tax Liens Abatements	122.83	
1935 Tax Liens Abatements	7.63	
1937 Abatements	125,708.98	
1937 Pepperell Abatement	.02	

1937 Saco-Lowell Abatement	7.48	
Apparatus and Equipment	1,989.10	
School Repairs	4,774.58	
1937 Excise Tax		\$ 1,338.54
1936 Excise Tax		71.99
1936 Accounts Payable		10,659.58
City Building		741.55
Contingent Fund		3,443.05
General Expense		537.70
Salaries		262.81
General Licenses		479.00
Police Department		3,619.98
Health Department		275.95
Sewers and Drains		672.45
Bridges		500.00
Oak Ridge District		55.50
Pool Road District		18.61
Pool District		6.24
Sidewalks		154.75
Snow Removal		7,075.31
Truck for Waste Collection		30.94
Interest		3,566.39
W. P. A		3,919.05
Dog Licenses		105.45
1936 Tax Notes		99,000.00
Overlay		31,623.52
Railroad and Telephone Tax		545.01
Net Unexpended Balance to City		
Debt	20,384.48	

^{\$168,703.37 \$168,703.37}

Comparative Balance Sheet

Assets

7	Vov. 30, 1936	Nov. 30, 1937
Cash\$	5,228.61	\$ 37,024.81
Taxes, 1937, Real Estate		135,659.95
Taxes, 1937, Personal		31,543.58
Taxes, 1937, Poll		8,736.00
Taxes, 1936, Personal	305,344.88	3,204.73
Taxes, 1936, Poll	9,051.00	4,584.00
Taxes, 1935, Personal	4,276.60	3,187.30
Taxes, 1935, Poll	4,977.00	4,179.00
Taxes, 1934	9,663.04	10,897.36
Taxes, 1933	9,429.56	8,111.42
Taxes, 1932	7,502.58	7,369.22
Taxes, Prior to 1932	81,806.63	81,702.33
Tax Liens, 1936		16,082.74
Tax Liens, 1935	76,754.77	7,425.41
Tax Liens, 1934	6,214.61	4,309.43
Tax Deeds, Prior to 1934	20,384.53	19,341.65
Accounts Receivable	14,090.25	3,561.94
State Aid Construction, 1936	885.59	
Common Schools	11,508.96	
Home Economics	191.59	20.52
Physical Education	471.41	514.84
Superintendent's Salary	635.04	598.39
Insurance, Rent, Transportation,		
Light and Power	1,416.02	5,874.35
Office Expense	296.43	568.43
Supplies	1,518.14	
Vocational Education	11.66	
Trust Funds Invested	13,967.02	14,654.59
Total Assets\$	585,625.92	\$409,151.99
Net City Debt	525,026.65	482,086.46

^{\$1,110,652.57 \$891,238.45}

Comparative Balance Sheet

LIABILITIES

	Nov. 30, 1936	Nov. 30, 1937
Bonds Payable Funding\$	148,500.00	\$297,000.00
Bonds Payable Refunding	325,000.00	325,000.00
Bonds Payable High School Annex	60,000.00	50,000.00
Bonds Payable State Road	3,000.00	2,000.00
1936 Accounts Payable	10,659.58	
Woodlawn Cemetery	519.01	822.96
Tax Anticipation Notes	425,000.00	75,000.00
Hydrant Rental		18,232.44
Dog Licenses, 1936	138.00	
1936 County Tax	27,163.33	
1937 County Tax		25,482.43
1936 State Tax	95,327.99	
1937 State Tax		76,110.87
Common Schools		3,316.70
Manual Training	776.23	1,204.59
Text Books	1.91	1,655.21
Medical Inspection	541.49	583.17
Supplies School		6.53
Vocational Education		134.20
Trust Fund Income	58.01	34.76
Trust Fund Reserve	13,967.02	14,654.59
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Total Liabilities\$1,110,652.57 \$891,238.45

Sinking Fund Commission

		7 2
Balance, November 30, 1936 January 7, 1937, Deposit Interest	\$10,000.00 724.06	\$20,628.98
- Interest		10,724.06
Pepperell Trust Co. Savings Ac-		
count, No. 15527		\$31,353.04
Proof of Change N	et Debt	
Net Debt, November 30, 1936		\$525,026.65
Add:		
Adjustment, 1935 Tax Liens	\$3,269.20	
Adjustment, Accounts Receivable	675.00	
Adjustment, 1936 Tax Liens	87.80	
Adjustment, 1933 Tax Deeds	19.06	
Adjustment, City Building, J. F.		
Curtis, Rent	650.00	
Adjustment, City Building, C. J.		
Murphy, Rent	330.00	
Adjustment, 1936 State Aid Con-	005 50	
struction	885.59	F 010 0F
		5,916.65
		\$530,943.30
Less:		
Bonds Paid	\$27,500.00	
Adjustment, 1934 Taxes	233.00	
Adjustment, 1933 Taxes	408.00	
Adjustment, 1936 Tax Liens	.91	
Adjustment, 1936 Accts. Payable	330.45	

Net City Debt, November 30, 1937

\$482,086.46

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM E. SHAW,

Treasurer.

BOND ACCOUNT

$ \begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	\$674,000.00	\$27,500.00 \$674,000.00	\$536,500.00			45		
$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	50,000.00	10,000.00	60,000.00	4	0 4/1/42	4/1/31 t	4/1/25	High School Annex Bonds
$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	2,000.00	1,000.00	3,000.00	4	0 7/1/39	7/1/31 t	7/1/26	State Road Bonds
$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	200,000.00		200,000.00	12		9/15/49	9/15/29	Refunding Bonds
$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	50,000.00		50,000.00	4		5/1/45	5/1/25	Refunding Bonds
Date Date Of Due Interest 11/30/36 8/1/35 8/1/36 to 8/1/45 34 \$148,500.00 1/2/37 1/2/38 to 1/2/52 34 50,000.00	25,000.00		25,000.00	51		5/1/40		Refunding Bonds
Date Date of Due Interest 11/30/36 8/1/35 8/1/36 to 8/1/45 34 \$148,500.00 1/2/37 1/2/38 to 1/2/52 34	50,000.00		50,000.00	4		5/1/39	5/1/14	Refunding Bonds
Date Date of Due Interest 11/30/36 8/1/35 8/1/36 to 8/1/45 34 \$148,500.00	165,000.00			<u>ප</u> ආස	to 1/2/52	1/2/38	1/2/37	Funding Bonds
Date of Due Amount	\$132,000.00	Paid \$16,500.00	\$148,500.00	Interes	ue to 8/1/45	D 8/1/36	Issued 8/1/35	Funding Bonds
	Amount Due	Amount		Rate	tte.	Da	Date	

RECAPITULATION

165,000.00

000 00	Total Bond Dalt 11/20/22 \$624 000 00	0/22	1/5			701-1
27,500.00	Serial Bonds Paid in 1937	1937	in	Paid	Bonds	Serial
\$701,500.00	40					

TRUST FUNDS

Fund	Name of Fund	Cemetery Lot No.	Bank of Deposit	Balance 11/30/37	Principal Deposit 1937	Interest 11/30/37	Withdraw 11/30/36 to 11/30/37	Balance 11/30/37
1.	Chas. Beaumont	36W	P \$	100.00	\$	2.51	\$ 2.51 \$	100.00
2.	J. E. Brooks	216W	P	100,00	\$100.00	3.13	1.88	201.25
3.	Jeremialı Bunker	B-P	В	671.07		16.88		671.07
4.	Ellen Burnham	487W	В	50.33		1.26	1.26	50,33
5.	Emeline Burnham	$164\mathrm{W}$	В	238.02		5.99		238.02
6.	Horace Clark	243W	В	76.82		1.91		76.82
7.	Cleaves Poor Fund		В	1,407.87		35.40	35.40	1,407.87
8.	Cleaves Poor Fund		P	461.43		11.60	11.60	461.43
9.	Elizabeth Cole	319W	В	212.75		5.34	5.34	212.75
10.	Celanise Crochiere	St. J.	В	96.78		2.41		99.19
11.	Celanise Crochiere	St. J.	В	96.78		2.41		99.19
12.	George B. Curtis	121W	В	100.51		2.51	2.51	100.51
13.	Sarah B. Curtis	861W	В	153.60		3.85	3.85	153.60
14.	Amanda Davis	143W	Р	200.00		5.02		200.00
15.	Annie M. Dustin	618W	В	50.39		1.27		50.39
16.	Emmons	518W	В	101.05		2.54		101.05
17.	Mary A. Farwell Ellis	8G	В	104.06		2.61		104.06
18.	W. M. T. Flanders	622W	P	100.00		2.51		100.00
19.	Wm. J. Graves	842W	P	100.00		2.51		100.00
20.	Sophia Harvey	89W	P	150.00		3.76		150.00
21.	Elizabeth B. Haines	158-9	P	200.00		5.02		200.00
22.	Cynthia J. Haynes	114W	В	101.38		2.54		101.38
23.	Ann R. Hamilton	270C	В	105.85		2.65		105.85
24.	Eben Hill	160W	P	100.00		2.51		100.00
25.	Albert O. Hill	870W	P	200.00		5.02		200.00
26.	Thomas G. Hill	407W	Р	100.00		2.51		100.00
27.	Jennie M. Johnson	598W	В	100.55		2.51		100.55
28.	Mary Joy	668W	В	101.11		2.54		101.11
29.	Benj. F. Kenniston	14W	В	215.44		5.42		215,44
30.	Alveretta Littlefield	11W	В	101.11		2.54		101.11
31.	Jack Fund	152W	В	226.61		5.69		226.61
32.	William Mason	320W	В	105.12		2.64		105.12
33.	Ministerial Fund		В	1,081.17		27.19		1,108.36
34.	Christine Murphy	858W	P	50.00		1.24		50.00
35.	Betsey Murray	557W	В	297.82		7.47		297.82
36.	Mary McWhirter	529W	В	100.45		2.51		100.45
37.	Leavitt-Patrick	546W	P	100.00		2.51		100.00
38.	Chas. Ricker	532W	В	100.45		2.51		100.45
39.	Julia A. Ricker	541W	В	75.67		1.89		75.67
40.	Charles Smith	392W	В	101.85		2.55		101.85
41.	Hannah Smith	317W		110.48		2.77		110.48
42.	Mary A. Smith	262-264W	В	651.91		16.39		651.91
43.	Thomas D. Suhr	221G	В	104.10		2.61		104.10
44.	Hannibal D. Taylor	DMR	P	50.00		1.24		50.00
45.	Goodrich & Wilson	23W	P	100.00		2.51	2.51	100.00

46.	Jane F. Webster	60W	В	190.83		4.79	4.79	190.83
47.	Abraham Kay	490W	В	97.17		2.44	No.	99.61
48.	Jothram W. Benson	108W	В	104.14		2.61	2.61	104.14
49.	Ida M. Witham	30W	Y	154.51		3.88	3.88	154.51
50.		124-5W	P	100.00		2.51	2.51	100.00
51.	T. S. Hill	111W	Y	150.06		3.77	3.77	150.06
52.	George H. Stone	777W	Y	100.34		2.51	2.51	100.34
53.	John R. Bonser	130W	Y	100.04		2.51	2.51	100.04
54.	Mable G. Chellis	829W	Y	157.80		3.95	3.95	157.80
55.	Georgia A. Warren	460W	Y	211.00		5.30	5.30	211.00
56.	George A. Antoine	260W	Y	150.60		3.78	3.78	150.60
57.	Chas. & Augusta Smith	382W	Y	100.68		2.51	2.51	100.68
58.	Wm. Elliot	524W	Y	150.06		3.77	3.77	150.06
59.	Edwin H. & Marietta Dennett	269W	Y	100.57		2.51	2.51	100.57
60.	Lois A. Drew Strout	211W	Y	202.93		5.09	5.09	202.93
61.	W. W. Center	830W	Y	150.06		3.77	3.77	150.06
62.	Clarence E. Huff	221W	Y	100.31		2.51	2.51	100.31
63.	Mary A. Thompson	885W	В	202.99		5.09	5.09	202.99
64.	Nellie M. Haley	836W	В	100.31		2.51	2.51	100.31
65.	Mary A. Day	446W	В	309.69		7.77	7.77	309.69
66.	Charles Staples	434W	Y	100.04		2.51	2.51	100.04
67.	Oren Foss	555W	Y	100.50		2.51	2.51	100.50
68.	Anna D. Clark	472W	Y	201.28		5.05	5.05	201.28
69.	J. E. P. Waterhouse	103W	Y	100.77		2.53	2.53	100.77
70.	Catherine Weymouth	538W	В	50.00		1.26	1.26	50.00
71.	D. O. Goldthwaite	102W	В	200.00		5.03	5.03	200.00
72.	John S. Fogg	171W	В	200.00		5.03	5.03	200.00
73.	Mary Haines	193G	В	125.00		3.14	3.14	125.00
74.	Flora M. Kay	490W	Y	102.58		2.57	2.57	102.58
75.	Henrietta Smith	196W	Y	200.05		5.03	5.03	200.05
76.	Orinda F. Odall	249W	Y	200.18		5.03	5.03	200.18
77.	Nellie Tarbox	55W	В	100.00		2.51	2.51	100.00
78.	Alice F. Gilpatrick	332W	P	200.00		5.02	5.02	200.00
79.	Adelbert E. Parker	387W	P		100.00	.62		100.62
80.	Daniel Robie	874W	P		200.00	.83		200.83
81.	Wallace H. Rich & Mary E	2.						
	Hussey	343W	P		100.00	.42		100.42
82.	Elizabeth Smith	851W	P		150.00			150.00

Total

Y \$13,967.02 \$650.00 \$353.07 \$315.50 \$14,654.59

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

November 30, 1937.

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

Gentlemen:

We herewith submit a list of abatement of taxes by the Board of Assessors during the fiscal year ending November 30, 1937.

For Saul Gagne, Collector of Taxes for 1937

Saco-Lowell Shops—Real Estate	\$ 40,665.68
Saco-Lowell Shops—Personal	19,544.00
Pepperell Mfg. Co.—Real Estate	63,033.52
Pepperell Mfg. Co.—Personal	56,000.00
General Real Estate Abatement	3,808.30
General Personal Abatement	694.72
Poll Tax Abatement	183.00
77-4-1	\$1 92 090 99

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS H. SIMPSON, JOHN P. GARTLAND, LINIERE DOYON,

Assessors for the Year 1937.

TAX COLLECTOR

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIDDEFORD:

I herewith respectfully submit my report as Collector of Taxes for the fiscal year 1937.

1935 Taxes

Personal and Real Estate

Uncollected November 30, 1936	¢ 6/10/09	\$4,276.60
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 718.82 370.48	
Uncollected November 30, 1937	3,187.30	
		\$4,276.60
Poll Taxes		
Uncollected November 30, 1936		\$4,974.00
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 387.00	
Abatements	408.00	
Uncollected November 30, 1937	4,179.00	
		\$4,974.00

1936 Taxes

Personal and Real Estate

Uncollected November 30, 1936	\$305,344.88	
Supplemental	83.64	
	\$305,4	128.52
Abatements	\$120,969.35	
Tax Liens	27,746.58	
Cash to Treasurer	153,507.86	
Uncollected November 30, 1937	3,204.73	
	\$305,4	128.52

Poll Taxes

Uncollected November 30, 1936	\$9,051.00
Abatements \$ 279.00	
Cash to Treasurer	
Uncollected November 30, 1937 4,584.00	
	\$9,051.00
Excise Tax	
Collected and Remitted to Treasurer	\$71.99
1937 Taxes	
Real Estate	
Commitment\$757,901.38	
Supplemental	
	758,035.78
Cash to Treasurer\$514,868.33	,
Abatements	
Uncollected November 30, 1937 135,659.95	
\$	758,035.78
1937 Taxes	
Personal	
Commitment\$155,240.25	
Supplemental	
\$	155,614.33
Cash to Treasurer \$47,832.03	
Abatements	
Uncollected November 30, 1937 31,543.58	
	155,614.33
Poll Taxes	
Commitment	

Supplemental	
Cash to Treasurer \$ 7,233.0	- \$16,152.00
Abatements 183.0	
Uncollected November 30, 1937 8,736.	00
	- \$16,152.00
Excise Tax	
Collected and Remitted to Treasurer	\$23,322.05
Total Uncollected Taxes, 1937	7
Real Estate\$135,659.	95
Personal	58
Poll	00
	-\$175,939.53

WELFARE DEPARTMENT

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BIDDEFORD:

I respectfully submit the following report of the Welfare Department for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1937. Conditions having improved in 1937 the expenditures of

the Welfare Department were \$55,429.49 less than 1936.

Sixty-eight persons over the age of sixty-five were provided for at a cost of \$17,800.00. These people are unemployable in our local industries due to the fact that a physical examination is given and these people are unable to meet the requirements; these persons are eligible for Old Age Assistance and as soon as the State begins payment of these pensions a saving of \$17,800.00 yearly will be effective in the Welfare Department.

The Welfare Department provides for forty State children, the State pays one-third of their support, Biddeford pays two-thirds or \$5,000.00 per year. We also took care of forty-nine children in schools, orphanages and private homes at a cost of \$5,600.00 per year. There is a fixed charge to the Welfare Department of \$25,000.00. This \$25,000.00 must be paid each and every year whether the Department opens its door or not, but with the Old Age Pension coming on, more men working on the projects and more men working in our factories through better coöperation, I have every reason to believe that the Welfare Department report for 1938 will show an improvement over 1937.

HENRY BOISVERT,

Clerk of the Overseers of the Poor.

NOTE: Financial report will be found in the Auditor's report on the last page.

THE HOMESTEAD

HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

I respectfully submit the following report for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1937.

From thirty-eight to forty-five inmates were accommodated at the Homestead during the year 1937.

Products Raised at the Homestead

Potatoes425	bu.	Carrots 18	bu.
String Beans 30		Beets 42	bu.
K. & W. Beans 39		Corn225	doz.
Tomatoes 11	bu.	Cabbage 1	ton
Turnips 82	bu.	Cucumbers 31	bu.
Onions 11		Hay 55	tons

Number of Inmates at Homestead at the End of

Each Month

December	44	June	46
January	46	July	39
February		August	41
March		September	
April	43	October	
May		November	

I wish at this time to offer my sincere thanks to the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council for the splendid coöperation given me during the course of the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Jules Marcoux,

Superintendent Homestead.

NOTE: Financial report will be found in the Auditor's report on the last page.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council:

Gentlemen:

We have the honor of submitting to you the following report for the year 1937, which is a statement of the prevalence of communicable diseases, the work done in prevention and suppression of diseases with vital statistics.

Pneumonia (all forms)	29
Influenza	17
Measles	2
Mumps	5
Scarlet Fever	
Tuberculosis	7
Typhoid Fever	1
Deaths Due to Communicable Disease	es
Pneumonia	21
Tuberculosis	5
Influenza	3
Deaths Due to Other Causes	
Heart Diseases	37
Cancer	
Puerperal Sepsis	
Infants	
Total number of deaths	
Total number of births	
Vaccination against Smallpox	
Diphtheria inoculations	840

Tuberculosis tests131

The foregoing figures show a steady gain in control of smallpox, tuberculosis, typhoid fever and other contagious diseases. On the other hand heart diseases, cancer, diabetes, kidneys and other diseases of after mid-life afford possible opportunity for more effective Health Service in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

OSCAR PERRAULT, M. D.,

Health Officer.

MILK INSPECTOR

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

I herewith respectfully submit my report as Milk Inspector for the year 1937.

Calls at stores, producers and dairies	130
Calls at office	137
Licenses approved	219
Licenses refused	14
Licenses revoked	1

There are over 1,200 cows producing milk, cream and butter for local consumption and general conditions of dairies and milk equipment is quite satisfactory.

HARRY DINEEN,

Milk Inspector.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

November 30, 1937.

To the Honorable Mayor and Council, City of Biddeford, Maine:

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the school laws of Maine, I am pleased to submit the following report of the Department of Education covering the period of the municipal year 1937.

All schools under the supervision of this Department have been in full operation during the year.

With the cooperation of the W. P. A. many items of repairs have been accomplished. After the curtailment of the Federal assistance in June, the unfinished work was carried on entirely by this department.

The old stone wall in the rear and on the easterly side of the Wentworth Street schoolyard was replaced by walls of cement. The old walls had broken down and presented a hazard to the children. The tumbled-down wooden fence was replaced by wire fencing on all four sides of the yard, thus enclosing the yard except for a space affording entrance walk and driveway. The gutters and hip metal plates of the roof of this school were entirely renewed and painted. The upper room, flag pole, and outside trim was repainted. This building, closed for four years, was re-opened for service in September, 1936.

The work on the new foundations of District No. 1, Hollis Road School, has been completed.

Considerable work has been done repairing the roofs of the High, Bradbury, and Elm Street school buildings.

In the Emery School, a new ventilating system from the

two pupils' dressing-rooms should be installed this year, the piping of the old system having been removed under a W. P. A. project three years ago.

Aside from the above item all school buildings are in very good condition and equipped with approved sanitary facilities.

In District No. 5, Morrill School, the old coal burning stove which was in very bad condition was replaced by a heater of the oil burning type.

A re-classification of the rooms of the Washington Street School was made at the beginning of the present school year. The use of the term "Special English" has been discontinued. Each class is now divided into "A" and "B" divisions, the pupils of each division in the same room receiving like instruction. Inter-transfer of pupils between divisions is to be made in accordance with individual progress, thus enabling pupils to better meet the requirements of the upper grades, and permitting more pupils to complete the grammar school course.

The sub-primary classes are larger this school year than last. The anticipated results of the introduction of this grade have been fully realized. Over-crowded conditions in this grade occur in the Emery School district. It is believed that these conditions will be aggravated at the beginning of another school year. It is recommended that two rooms at the Emery School be given over to this grade next school year and that an additional teacher be employed.

Any child five years of age at the opening of school in September or within two weeks thereafter, in any year, will be admitted to the sub-primary grade. Those whose birth anniversaries come after that date will be admitted in September of the following year.

The pupil registration at the beginning of the current school year was as follows:

Totals		Senior	Junior	Sophomore	Freshman	VIII	VII	VI	V	IV	III	II	Ι	Sub-Primary	Grades
16	1						Н	ಲು	65		4	Н	4	\vdash	Hollis Rd.
30	1									6	9	6	೦	4	Mountain Rd.
47	1						~	9	6	6	Н	6	6	6	Elm St.
31	1						1	లు	6	6	ಲು	4	ಲು	or	Morrill
13							80		80	ಲು	80	H	80	1	Pool
14	1					1		ಲು	8		Н	4	<u></u>	ಲು	Newtown
14	1							1	1	85	85	85	4	%	Oak Ridge
36	1						4	లు	4	οτ	ಲ	4	00	Ot	Guinea
39	1	1										~7	9	23	Bradbury
54	1											12	16	26	Wentworth
113	1						88	27	32	12	14				Birch
221							49	32	29	42	26	11	15	17	Washington
381						104	38	35	40	34	29	36	29	36	Emery
494		96	118	140	140										High
1,503	1	96	118	140	140	104	130	116	124	116	94	94	102	129	Totals

The enrollment in the classes in typewriting at the High School are yearly increasing, so much so as to reduce the effectiveness of instruction in this course. The problem may be met either by purchasing more typewriters, or by the employment of an additional teacher to relieve the regular commercial teacher of other work in order that she may conduct more periods of typing,—the classes to be governed by the number of typewriters now available. The latter solution is recommended.

It is recommended that an available room in the basement at the High School be used for recess luncheon purposes, and that a portion of the front basement be made suitable for a dressing room for visiting athletic teams. This can be done at very little expense, the carpenter work to be undertaken as a project of the Manual Training classes. The present plan of serving these luncheons in the Domestic Science room interferes greatly with the elementary Home Economics program, as the recess period of the High School occurs during the instruction periods in cooking.

The classroom instruction of pupils in all schools has been conducted efficiently by the teaching staff whose splendid coöperative spirit has made this past year one of real progress.

Teachers joining the Biddeford School System in September are:

High School—Principal Charles E. Taylor, Arlene Merrill, Ruth E. Sampson, J. Borden Miller.

Birch Street—Leslie F. Ross.

Guinea—Philip B. Foster.

Music Supervisor-Mrs. Esther H. Parmenter.

The following named teachers left the service in June by resignation: Albert G. Snow, Walter R. Mitchell, Eleanor M. Mahoney, Sarah F. Milliken, Barbara H. Moody, Florence Crowley.

Mrs. Blanche C. Butterfield, teacher in the High School for sixteen years, died in June. Her passing was a loss to the school.

The School Calendar for the year 1937-1938 follows:

School Calendar, 1937-1938

FALL TERM: 14 weeks

Schools open Monday, September 13.

Holidays:

York County Teachers' Convention, Monday, September 20.

Columbus Day, Tuesday, October 12.

State Teachers' Convention, Thursday-Friday, October 28-29.

Armistice Day, Thursday, November 11.

Thanksgiving Recess, Thursday-Friday, November 25-26.

Schools close Friday, December 17.

Vacation 1 week.

WINTER TERM: 8 weeks
Schools open Monday, December 27.
Schools close Friday, February 18.
Vacation 1 week.

Spring Term: 15 weeks

Schools open Monday, February 28. Schools close Friday, April 15. Vacation 1 week. Schools re-open Monday, April 25.

Holiday:

Memorial Day, Monday, May 30.

Schools close Friday, June 17. Total school weeks, 37.

Commencement Week, June 20-24

Accompanying this report is the financial statement of this department for the fiscal year, December 1, 1936, to November 30, 1937, inclusive.

Again I am pleased to take this occasion to express a deep appreciation to the Municipal Officers, to the members of the Board of Education, to the teachers, school building custodians, and to the citizenry of Biddeford for their interest and assistance in making this another very successful school year.

Respectfully submitted,

A. ALTON GARCELON, JR.

NOTE: The financial statement will be found incorporated in the Auditor's Report. In this report the net overdraft has been determined as six hundred seventy-six dollars and thirteen cents. State credits covering this fiscal year, amounting to three thousand five hundred forty-six dollars and sixty-eight cents, will be available on December 1, 1937, thus leaving a net credit for the fiscal year 1938 of two thousand eight hundred seventy dollars and fifty-five cents.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

To the Trustees of the McArthur Library Association:

During the fiscal year ending November 30, 1937, the Library continued to extend its stock of necessary books, and to broaden the number of its users. Of the 846 new books added, 785 were by purchase, 31 by gift, and 30 by the binding of magazines. The new users for the year totalled 513 and the registered borrowers now number more than 5,000. Approximately 750 are children.

In addition the Library received in November the welcome gift of the books of the late Mr. and Mrs. William E. Youland, together with many curios and mounted specimens of birds and minerals. The books numbered 425 volumes and, with the other items, are now being classified for addition to the Library's stock. The gift was timely and generous; the material is genuinely useful and much appreciated.

In November also came the resignation of Miss Emma Hatch, whose service as Librarian began in October, 1895. This is not the place to review in extenso the remarkably high quality, the fine character, and the superb unself-seeking devotion to duty that marked Miss Hatch's long service. But it should be remarked that her record of 42 years in office, under some 23 different city administrations, is one that very few cities can equal. Only one has, so far, surpassed it and that is the city of New Bedford, Massachusetts, whose library (admitted to be one of the best and most remarkable in the United States) had only two librarians in 80 years. It is a genuine honor for any city to be classed with New Bedford in any phase of library interest, and Biddeford can take just pride in the record and work of Miss Hatch.

The financial report for the year is as for	ollows:	
RECEIPTS		
From City of Biddeford	\$4,250.00	
From State of Maine		
	\$	4,420.00
Expenditures		
Books	872.82	
Magazines	133.05	
Binding	89.91	
Light	227.16	
Repairs	12.87	
Salaries	2,891.10	
Supplies	163.69	
Telephone	29.40	
		34,420.00
Librarian's Petty Cash Account:		
Receipts		
Cash on hand, November 30, 1936	\$ 9.35	
Fines collected	180.05	
Deposits by non-residents	39.00	
For postage	8.30	
Telephone	.95	
By gift	5.00	
		\$242.65
Expenditures		
For books and magazines	\$152.82	
Expressage	4.92	
Supplies	15.26	
Postage	18.91	
Miscellaneous expense	3.60	
Deposits refunded	28.00	
Cash on hand, November 30, 1937	19.14	

Submitted,

DANE YORKE,

Librarian.

\$242.65

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

December 6, 1937.

To the Honorable Board of Police Commissioners:

Gentlemen:

The annual report for the year ending November 30, 1937, is hereby submitted to you in accordance with our City Ordinance. Herein will be found a statement and summary of the different cases treated by the Police Department this past year.

Our Police Force consists of a Chief, one Captain, one Day Deskman at Police Station, one Night Deskman at Police Station, one Traffic Officer, daytime, and one at night, eight Patrolmen, two in daytime and six at night, and six Special Police Officers, used for Sunday work, parks, dances, circuses, etc.

This Police Force covers an area of twenty-five square miles of territory and attends to the safety of twenty thousand inhabitants in this City; also attends to traffic duty, which has been increasing for years.

Number and nature of cases prosecuted in the Municipal Court are as follows:

Manslaughter	1
Assault and Battery	
Assault	
Affray	5
Larceny	31
Forgery	
Obtaining money under false pretense	
Soliciting without permit	1
Reckless driving	- 6
Improper registration	15

Malicious mischief	3
Operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of	
intoxicating liquor	44
Railler	1
Juvenile delinquencies	6
Crime against nature	3
Bougery	1
Sodomy	3
Rape	1
Indecent exposure	5
Indecent liberties	1
Indecent liberties with a female child	3
Attempt to rape	1
Nonsupport	5
Driving without a license	25
Disturbing the peace	22
Perjury	1
Tramps	1
Taking a car without the consent of owner	4
Impersonating a priest	1
Speeding	13
Larceny of automobile	4
Buying stolen goods	2
Violation of Drug Act	1
Selling beer after hour	1
Gambling	2
Robbery	3
Disorderly person	1
Desertion from Reformatory	4
Defacing registration plates	1
Defraud	1
Parking violation	5
Leaving the scene of accident	2
Violation of the plumbing law	2
Search and seizure of indecent literature	1
Possession of lottery tickets	1

Breaking, entrance and larceny	18
Embezzlement	1
Possession of indecent literature	1
Assault upon an officer	5
Intoxication	340
Total number of arrests and prosecutions	628
Other cases and emergencies taken care of by the P	olice
Department:	
Lodgers taken care of at Police Station	1,295
Store windows left open at night	54
Store doors left unlocked at night	356
Local stolen cars	
Out-of-town cars reported stolen	103
Cars recovered by the department	32
Breaks reported to police	80
Stolen bicycles	13
Drownings	4
Sudden deaths on the streets	5
Accidental shootings	3
Children returned home from out-of-town	4
Gasoline pumps found unlocked at night	26
Fires discovered by officers at night	4
Insane cases	6
Pullmotor calls	10
Lights left burning at night in stores and offices	18
Escaped convicts apprehended	3
Merchandise left outside and taken to station by the	
cruising car at night	16
Maternity cases taken to hospital by the cruising car	10
Automobile accidents from December 1, 1936, to De-	
cember 1, 1937, reported to the station	503
Persons taken to hospital by the officers	39
Persons taken to a doctor by the officers	11

Persons injured in automobile accidents	52
Persons accidentally killed	3
Fire alarm calls responded by Police car	63
Total	2,746

The Police Department has returned to the Citizens of Biddeford and out of town upon their own valuation and their signatures in the police records the amount of \$95,562.59 of stolen and lost property.

I wish to take this occasion to express a proper appreciation for the good work done by the Captain and all of the Police Officers throughout the year.

I sincerely wish to thank the Police Commissioners and the Judge and Recorder of the Municipal Court for their hearty coöperation and also each and every one connected with the Police Department.

Respectfully submitted,

RODOLPHE VANASSE,

Chief of Police.

NOTE: Financial report will be found in the Auditor's report on the last page.

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Biddeford:

Gentlemen:

In compliance with the City Ordinance, I have the honor of submitting for your consideration the Annual Report of the condition and operation of the Fire Department for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1937

Organization

Engine Co. No. 1, Engine Co. No. 2, Ladder Co. No. 1, Hose Co. No. 2.

Permanent Force

Chief engineer, 1st assistant engineer, 2nd assistant engineer, 1 lieutenant, 2 enginemen assigned to Engine 1 and Engine 2, 1 relief engineman, 1 chauffeur, 1 tillerman assigned to Ladder 1, 1 reliefman for Ladder 1, 1 chauffeur for Hose 2, 1 reliefman for Hose 2, 2 hosemen assigned to Hose 2.

Call Force

- 3 captains assigned to Engine 1, Engine 2, and Ladder 1.
- 3 company clerks.
- 21 hosemen assigned to Engine 1 and Engine 2.
- 10 laddermen assigned to Ladder 1.
- 1 steam engineer assigned to Engine 3.

Apparatus

The equipment of the Fire Department November 30, 1937, consisted of motor apparatus, as follows:

- 1 Engine 1, Ahrens-Fox, 750 gallons per minute. Booster hose and pumper.
- 1 Engine 2, Ahrens-Fox, 1,000 gallons per minute. Booster hose and pumper.
- 1 Ladder 1, Ahrens-Fox, 75-foot Aerial Ladder Truck with following equipment: 347 feet ladders, ladder pipe used as water tower, 1 inhalator and equipment, 1 life net (rope), and 1 army stretcher.
- 1 Hose Truck, combination Hose 2, hose and booster (Chevrolet).
 - 1 Hose Truck, Hose 1, hose and deck gun (GMC).
- 1 Steam Engine, No. 3, 700 gallons per minute capacity, drawn by Hose 2.
 - 1 Portable Forest Pump, capacity 100 gallons per minute.

Hose

There are 750 feet of 1-inch rubber hose, distributed as follows: Engine No. 1, 200 feet of booster hose; Engine No. 2, 200 feet of booster hose; Hose Truck No. 2, 200 feet of booster hose. In reserve, 50 feet of 1-inch booster hose, 200 feet of \(\frac{3}{4}\)-inch booster hose.

We have on hand at fire headquarters at the present time the amount of 10,500 feet of $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch rubber-line, cotton-jacket fire hose. All of this is double jacket hose. 1,700 feet $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch forest fire hose.

The amount of $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch hose distributed throughout outside the City limits are as follows: At the City Homestead 500 feet, Biddeford Pool Fire Station 500 feet, corner of Pool Road and Guinea Road (George Piper Garage) 500 feet.

Chemical (Pony Tank)

There are nine 3-gallon pony extinguishers distributed on fire apparatus, including 3 of the fire-foam types.

Additions and Improvements in the Fire Department

Booster brake was installed on Engine No. 1.

Booster brake was installed on Engine No. 2.

Booster brake was installed on Ladder No. 1.

Safety valve was installed on Engine No. 1.

New running board was installed on Hose Truck No. 1.

New running board was installed on Flose Truck No. 2.

New rubber goods rack was built for Engine No. 1.

New rubber goods rack was built for Engine No. 2.

New rubber goods rack was built for Hose Truck No. 2.

6 new large chairs were bought to replace the broken ones.

1 new rotary pump was installed in Hose Truck No. 2 to replace the one worn out.

1 new two-way Siamese was bought to replace the one worn out.

- 2 double $2\frac{1}{2}$ male connections.
- 2 double $2\frac{1}{2}$ female connections.
- 1 Blanchard angle nozzle.
- 1 Sterling siren.
- 1 12-ton hydraulic jack. This jack is to be used in the Fire Department service.

Hose Bought

1,000 feet of $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch hose.

1,000 feet of $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch hose.

100 feet of chemical hose.

20 feet of 2-inch hard suction for forest pump.

1 new hydrant was installed at Biddeford Pool, opposite life guard station.

Fire Alarm System

Fire alarm system is in good working order at the present time. 1 mile of new wire was strung in different parts of the City and still there is more work to be done in different parts of the City.

Work of the Fire Department from Dec. 1, 1936, to Nov. 30, 1937

Fire Department responded to a total of 478 calls during the year:

Box alarm	63
Telephone alarm	341
Still and verbal	30
Automatic sprinkler	3
Special calls, such as to open door, take down cat	
from tree, put rope on flagpole	41
Send aid to the following:	
North Kennebunkport	6
Saco	2
Cover up fire station, Saco	10
No. hose lines laid	62
No. feet of 2½-inch hose laid at fires	25,000
No. feet of 1½-inch hose laid at fires	9,050
No. feet of ladder raised at fires	3,928
Pony tanks used at oil and gasoline fires	12
Boosters used at fires	242
Fire foam used at fires	7
Pyrene used at gasoline and grease fires	15
No. hours engines work at fires	241
Inhalator used by Fire Department	10
Cost for forest fires in 1937, Pool Road and New-	
town Road	1,371.54

Fire Losses in City

VALUATIONS

Value of buildings\$	409,493.00
Value of contents	212,687.32
Total value on both\$	622.180.32

Insurance

Insurance on buildings	
Total insurance on both	\$461,812.25
Losses	
Insurance loss on buildings	\$24,483.52
Insurance loss on contents	
Total insurance loss on both	\$32,187.83
Losses Insured and Uninsured	
Loss on buildings	\$28,155.52
Loss on contents	
Total losses on both in City and outside City limits	\$47,408.82
Insurance and Losses to Fires Outside Cit	ty Limits
Value of buildings	\$22,700.00
Value of contents	
Total value on both	\$28,540.00
Insurance on buildings	\$18,100.00
Insurance on contents	2,700.00
Total insurance on both	\$20,800.00
Insurance Losses	
Insurance loss on buildings	\$4,986.13
Insurance loss on contents	805.62
Total loss on both	\$5,791.75

Losses Insured and Uninsured

Loss on buildings	\$5,006.13 1,745.62
Total loss on both	\$6,751.75
Valuation of Buildings	
Total in City and outside City limits	
In City	\$386,793.00
Insurance	
Total in City and outside City limits	
In City	\$275,662.25
Insurance Losses	
Total in City and outside City limits Outside City limits	
In City	\$19,497.39
Losses Insured and Uninsured	
Total in City and outside City limits Outside City limits	The second secon
In City	\$23,149.39
Valuation of Contents	
Total in City and outside City limits	5,840.00
In City	\$206,847.32

INSURANCE

Total in City and outside City limits	
In City	\$165,350.00
Insurance Losses	
Total in City and outside City limits Outside City limits	The second secon
In CityLosses Insured and Uninsured	\$6,898.69
Total in City and outside City limits Outside City limits	
In City	\$17,507.68

Recommendations

If finances permit, I hereby recommend a new pumping engine, of suitable pumping capacity and reserve power, in order that powerful streams of water may be used at severe fires, and likewise for other conditions that may confront us.

This new unit to replace the present Chevrolet and the G M C, the said Chevrolet being too light for fire department work and rapidly wearing out. The G M C is now a relic and a thing of the past. The frame has been welded in several places, the rear end is giving out, the rear wheels are about to collapse, and the steering wheel gearing is beyond repair.

Also, I hereby recommend a Chief's car, to be used officially for fire department and emergency work, official business, and the necessity of collecting insurance

data as required by law. Bearing in mind that this fire department has an area of about 40 square miles to cover, many fires occur in this area, and insurances are collected but not reported. Later, upon notification from the State Department, I am requested to obtain said data and report the same to the State Department. It is very essential that a Chief's car be purchased.

I desire herein to publicly thank the Honorable Mayor and members of the City Council for their coöperation, also the members of the fire department for their whole-hearted coöperation and loyalty, also the Chief of Police and his men, who did wonderful work, and also Street Commissioner Albert L. Cadorette and his men for their help throughout the year and throughout the forest fires this summer.

NOTE: Financial report will be found in the Auditor's report on the last page.

STREET DEPARTMENT

District No. 4

HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

In accordance with the provision of the Charter of the City of Biddeford, I report herewith as Street Commissioner the activities of said department for the year ending November 30, 1937.

Eighty-one thousand gallons of tar were used on streets during the year. The following streets were treated with tar: Cleaves Street, Simard Avenue, Lafayette Street, Clifford Street, Middle Street, Oak Street, Acorn Street, Vine Street, Clarendon Street, Harrison Avenue, Extension of Graham, Westfield Street, Harding Street, Union Street, Green Street, Extension of Wentworth, Orchard Street, May Street, Round Hill Street, Summit Street, Roberts Street, Highland Street, Mount Pleasant Street. Thirty-one gallons were used on the River Road.

Some of these streets have received two applications of tar and were scarified, graded and rolled.

Gravel roads were built on the following streets: Dupont Street, Extension Pike Street, Wilson Street, Atlantic Avenue, Vine Avenue, Vine Street, Orchard Street, Harvard Street, Yale Street, Carver Street. Approximately three hundred yards of gravel were used on Quimby Street.

Sewers and Drains

Two hundred fifty feet of eight-inch sewer was laid on the Alfred Road. Many sewers were dug up and pipes ranging from six to thirty-six inches were replaced. Twelve pockets were rebuilt.

Sidewalks

This department did not expend any money for sidewalks because of a Federal Project which financed the construction of many miles of sidewalks in the City. The only cost to the City was for material, which was paid out of the Works Progress Administration appropriation. Report of such expenditures will be found in the Federal Relief report.

Recapitulation

Sixteen trees were cut down and limbs and shrubs were removed. Bushes and weeds were removed from streets and highways.

Gutters were dug and about twenty driveway culverts were put in.

One thousand gallons of cold patch were used on street and sidewalk maintenance.

I recommend that the City purchase a ½-yard shovel.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT CADORETTE,

, Street Commissioner.

NOTE: Complete financial report will be found in the Auditor's report.

W. P. A. DEPARTMENT

November 30, 1937.

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Biddeford, Maine:

It pleases me to give to you gentlemen, and to the public, a report of the work accomplished, through the W. P. A. Department, for the City of Biddeford, Maine.

From the beginning of the fiscal year, December 1, 1936, to November 30, 1937, we have received Federal money amounting to a total of \$79,251.11. This was paid directly to our citizens, who were employed on various projects. As the City agreed to furnish all material, we were very fortunate in obtaining material amounting to \$300.00 from the Works Progress Administration.

The following is a list of Projects that were in operation December 1, 1936, or have begun since that date:

THE AIRPORT PROJECT was in operation December 1, 1936, the beginning of our fiscal year. A third runway, 3,000 feet long, was being worked on. This Project was closed July 15, 1937, and the men were transferred to Saco on a Sewer Project.

THE CITY BUILDING AND SCHOOL PROJECT was in operation December 1, 1936, with 11 men working. Under this Project many necessary repairs were made at the Biddeford High School. The interior was renovated and the outside windows were puttied. This Project was closed on June 28, 1937, and the men were transferred to the South Street Ledge.

THE SEWING ROOM PROJECT was in operation December 1, 1936, with 58 people working, and it is still in operation with 41 people working.

THE SOCIAL SERVICE PROJECT was in operation December 1, 1936, and it is still in operation at this date. This Project, distributing food and clothing, is a very great benefit to the City.

THE SUMMIT STREET SEWER PROJECT was in operation December 1, 1936. This Project was started November 19, 1936, and was completed January 5, 1937.

THE SOUTH STREET LEDGE PROJECT, which was started in 1935, was reopened April 20, 1937. This Project widened South Street 15 feet, beginning at the junction of South and Elm Streets to Bradbury Street; a cement wall, 7 feet high and 400 feet long, was made. All work was completed August 18, 1937.

THE BIRCH STREET LEDGE PROJECT was reopened January 12, 1937, with 60 men. This Project was to quarry and crush rock, which was to be used on sidewalks in the spring. Approximately 3,750 tons of rock were crushed, which made quite a saving, as the City had been paying \$2.00 a ton for such in the past. This Project closed June 3, 1937, with 22 men. These men were transferred to the South Street Ledge. The reason for the number of men being so much less at the end of this Project was because of the fact that the majority of the men were transferred from W. P. A. to P. W. A. to work for contractors.

THE STREETS AND SIDEWALKS PROJECT was reopened August 19, 1937. Since that time, we have covered approximately 12,692-13/18 square yards of asphalt sidewalks and roadwork, and reset 2,077 feet of old and new curbing. We also made forms for cement curbing. This Project is still in operation, but will close at the end of the period, December 3, 1937. The men will be transferred to the Birch Street Ledge, which will reopen December 4, 1937.

I wish to thank those who have helped me in the administration of my department.

I am also submitting a report of expenditures for each Project operated under my supervision.

Yours respectfully,

CONRAD T. FORTIER.

W. P. A.

November 30, 1937.

To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Biddeford, Maine:

Gentlemen:

We respectfully submit the followin	g report	, which is
from December 5, 1936, to November 3	0, 1937:	
Streets and Sidewalks\$	4,917.04	
Airport	1,677.52	
Administrative	2,588.65	
Dress Factory	3,547.38	
Social Service	222,36	
Summit Street Sewer	397.33	
South Street Ledge	2,348.95	
Birch Street Ledge	1,909.54	
Total\$	17,608.77	
Appropriation		\$21,000.00
Credits		527.82
Total		\$21,527.82

Balance unexpended\$ 3,919.05

Very truly yours,

CONRAD T. FORTIER.

W. P. A. EXPENSES

December 5, 1936, to November 30, 1937

Streets and Sidewalks

Gas and oil	\$ 510.99
Lumber	45.75
Sidewalk comp. and asphalt	2,610.90
Equipment rental	766.17
Salary	182.75
Trucking	338.67
Hardware	16.40
Miscellaneous	217.91
Cement	227.50
Total	\$ 4,917.04

Airport

\$ 1,677.52

Gravel	\$128.40
Hardware	146.09
Repairs	4.15
Gasoline and oil	26.79
Labor	126.60
Miscellaneous	239.26
Transportation	840.00
Dynamite	114.92
Tools	16.93
Tool sharpening	33.10
Trucking	1.28

Administrative

Miscellaneous	\$ 6.40	
Office supplies	10.85	
Travel	107.40	
Salary	2,464.00	
Total	\$	2,588.65
Dress Factory		
Diess ractory		
Office supplies, stationery	\$ 5.95	
Hardware	17.19	
Trucking	4.30	
Thread	193.90	
Material—percale, etc	1,244.49	
Other supplies	388.56	
Repairs	2.10	
Salary		
Rent building		
Rent sewing machines		
Miscellaneous		
Electrical fixtures		
Labor		
Lumber		
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Total	\$	3,547.38
Social Service		
Bookin Bervice		
Hardware	\$ 4.44	
Office supplies	6.35	
Light	20.25	
Telephone and telegraph	58.76	
Miscellaneous	132.56	
Total	. \$	222.36

Summit Street Sewer

	40.000	
Hardware	\$216.20	
Miscellaneous	55.91	
Bricks and cement	118.17	
Trucking	3.25	*
Sharpening tools	3.80	
-		
Total	\$	397.33
South Street Ledge		
Cement	\$ 53.80	
Labor	99.49	
Miscellaneous	44.32	,
Hardware	95.69	
Equipment rental	825.00	
Gasoline and oil	100.02	
Lumber	227.05	
Salary	140.25	
Sharpening tools	29.85	
Office rental	38.50	
Sidewalk comp. and asphalt	694.98	
Total	\$	2,348.95
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Riveh Street Ladge		

Birch Street Ledge

Small tools	\$ 23.52
Dynamite	80.66
Hardware	
Miscellaneous	140.04
Gasoline and oil	
Salary	242.25
Lumber	
Trucking	12.50

Labor	61.45
Plumbing material	3.79
Electrical fixtures	23.48
Freight	112.18
Power	224.10
Lights	4.00
Equipment rental	55.00
Repairs	18.75
Total	\$ 1,909.54
Grand total	\$17,608.77

STREETS AND SIDEWALKS PROJECT FOR DIFFERENT SECTIONS IN THE CITY

August 19, 1937, to November 30, 1937

Asphalt Roadwork

	Sq. Yds.	
South Street, from Elm to Bradbury	1,408-8/9	
Green Street, from Crescent to Birch	28-1/3	
Wentworth Street	194-4/9	
Corner Western Avenue and W. Cutts	18-2/3	
Green Street, from Birch to Crescent	56-2/3	
Taylor Street	382-2/9	
Beacon Avenue, West Side	104	
Taylor Street	200	
Asphalt Sidewalks		
South Street, from Barber Shop to Bradbury	645	
Bradbury Street, from South Street to Cutts	0	1
Street	1,936	
Cutts Street, both sides, from Elm to Bradbury	1,466-2/3	
Elm Street, from Cutts Street to driveway at		
St. Joseph's Church	266-2/3	
Extension Bradbury Street	160	
Green Street, from Crescent to Birch Street	346-2/3	
Wentworth Street, between South and Mason		
Streets	696-8/9	
Main Street, from Western Avenue to brick		
walk	127-7/9	
Western Avenue, corner Main towards West		
Cutts	56	
James Street, corner Western Avenue	33-1/3	
Mason Street, opposite No. 19	56-1/9	

Green Street, from Crescent to Birch Street	346-2/3	
Taylor Street	502-2/9	
Beacon Avenue, West Side	336-2/3	
Beacon Avenue, East Side	252	
Beacon Avenue, front of garage to bakery	111-1/9	
Beacon Avenue, near corner May Street	117	
Beacon Avenue, from bakery to Roland		
Delorge's residence	61-1/2	
Sullivan Street, from Bacon to Water Street	398	
White's Wharf	138-1/3	
Pinette Avenue, East Side	226	
Pinette Avenue, West Side	142-2/9	
Taylor Street, near May Street :	80	
Hill Street, from Bacon to King Street	136-1/9	
King Street, from Hill to Foss Street	345	
Summer Street, from School to Foss Street,		
East Side	474-4/9	
Summer Street, from Mt. Vernon Street to		
corner	194-4/9	
Prospect Street, from Summer to Mt. Vernon	160	
Mt. Vernon Street	80	
Clark Street	340	
Prospect Street, corner of Clark Street	66-2/3	
Total square yards1	2,692-13/18	

Resetting Old Curbing

	Feet
Green Street	70
Wentworth Street	12
King Street	18
Prospect Street	100
Setting New Curbing (Stone)	
	Feet
Beacon Avenue	270
Setting New Curbing (Cement)	
	Feet
South Street, from Barber Shop to Bradbury Taylor Street, from May Street to driveway	390
at No. 15	545
Taylor Street, from drive No. 9 to Elm Street	294
Beacon Avenue	298
Taylor Street	80
Total No. of feet	2,077

AMOUNT OF PAYROLL RECEIVED FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR DIFFERENT PROJECTS

Streets and Sidewalks	\$ 5,089.81
Airport	
City Building and Schools	11,835.76
Dress Factory	. 30,538.78
Social Service	406.95
Summit Street Sewer	. 1,728.68
South Street Ledge	4,192.55
Birch Street Ledge	. 10,078.20
Total	.\$79,251.11

MATERIAL DONATED BY WORKS PROGRESS ADMINISTRATION

South S	treet Ledge	, 400 bags of	cement	\$300.00
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Auditor's Report SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS AND COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS

To the Honorable Mayor and the City Council of Biddeford:

Gentlemen:—I have the pleasure to submit the following report for the year ending November 30, 1937, in accordance with the provisions of the City ordinances.

Title of Account	Opening Entry—Dr.	Cash Received	Tax Commitment	Journal Debits	Warrants or Orders	Total Debits	Opening Entry—Cr.	Cash Paid by Treas.	Appropriation	Cash Credits	Journal Credits	Total Credits	Dr. Overdrawn	Cr. Unexpended	Dr. 1937	Cr. 1937
TREASURER'S RECONCILIATION	\$ 5,228.61	\$1,944,595.90	5			\$1,949,824.56		\$1,912,799.75				\$1,912,799.75			\$ 37,024.81	
SELECTMEN'S RECONCILIATION 37 Taxes—Personal				\$ 134.40 374.08 3.00 21,477.71 \$	505.80	758,035.78 155,614.33 16,152.00				\$ 622,375.83 124,003.55 \$ 7,416.05		622,375.83 124,070.75 7,416.00		\$ 1,338.54	135,659.95 31,543.58 8,736.00	
37 Taxes—Excise	207 244 20			1,973.94	3.20	21,983.51				23,322.05 71.99 304,116.22	1.07	23,322.05 71.99 304,117.29		71.99	3,204.73	
6 Taxes—Personal	305,344.88 9,051.00					9,051.00				4,467.00		4,467.00			4,584.00	
5 Taxes—Personal	4,276.60 4,977.00			5.42	54.80	4,336.82 4,977.00				1,148.52 798.00	1.00	1,149.52 798.00			3,187.30 4,179.00	
4 Taxes	9,663.04 9,429.56			1,448.92 1,159.32		11,111.96 10,588.88				94.60 2,477.46	120.00	214.60 2,477.46			10,897.36 8,111.42	
Taxes	7,502.58 13,278.12					7,502.58 13,278.12				21.00 96.00	112.36	133.36 96.00			7,369.22 13,182.12	
0 Taxes	11,267.23 13,203.37					11,267.23 13,203.37				3.00		3.00			11,264.23 13,203.37	
8 Taxes	5,159.74					5,159.74 4,600.41									5,159.74 4,600.41	
6 Taxes	11,045.42					11,045.42 9,585.06				5.30		5.30			11,045.42 9,579.76	
Taxes	7,366.25 2,392.87					7,366.25 2,392.87									7,366.25 2,392.87	
2 Taxes	1,139.37 2,758.79					1,139.37 2,758.79									1,139.37 2,758.79	
0 Taxes	10.00				00 051 00	10.00				10 407 06	1,898.11	14 226 00			10.00	
6 Tax Liens	76,754.77			2,157.54 4.41	28,251.29 10.00	30,408.83 76,769.18				12,427.98 65,834.46	3,509.31	14,326.09 69,343.77			16,082.74 7,425.41	
Tax Liens	6,214.61 3,155.56			120.00 58.80		6,334.61 3,214.36				739.27 185.37	1,285.91 331.91	2,025.18 517.28			4,309.43 2,697.08	
Tax Deeds	3,644.34 4,230.94			53.56		3,697.90 4,230.94				222.50 110.22		222.50 110.22			3,475.40 4,120.72	
0 Tax Deeds	2,312.34 2,069.89					2,312.34 2,069.89				67,28 111.65		67.28 111.65			2,245.06 1,958.24	
8 Tax Deeds	2,038.86 911.02					2,038.86 911.02				76.21		76.21			1,962.65 911.02	
6 Tax Deeds	1,027.14					1,027.14				50.10		50.10			1,027.14 944.34	
6 Accounts Payable 6 Accounts Payable 1 City Debt 1 Payable—Funding 1 Payable—Refunding 1 Payable—Refunding 1 Payable—Refunding	14,090.25			3,531.45 330.45	19,997.08	17,621.70	\$ 10,659.58		\$ 10,659.58	11,607.18 1,668.66	2,452.58 7,999.29	14,059.76 30,987.11		10,659.58	3,561.94	
City Debt	525,026.65			5,916.65		20,327.53 530,943.30	148,500.00	(20,384.48	Net Unexpe	nded Balance) 165,000.00	28,472.36	28,472,36 313,500.00		40,000,00	482,086.46	\$297,
ds Payable—Refunding					16,500.00	16,500.00	325,000.00			103,000.00		325,000.00				325,
ds Payable—High School Annexds Payable—State Aid Road				reperiod solver exc	1,000.00	1,000.00	60,000.00 3,000.00				9	3,000.00				50,
Buildingtingent Fund				27,500.00 1,339.71	9,675.34	27,500.00 11,015.05			27,500.00 100.00	10,436.60	1,220.00	27,500.00 11,756,60		741.55		
ction Department				30,508.52	14,799.74 4,249.24	45,308.26 4,249.24			15,000.00 4,000.00	11,247.07	22,504.24	48,751.31 4,000.00	\$ 249.24	3,443.05		
ries					6,462.30 15,737.19	6,462.30 15,737.19			7,000.00 16,000.00			7,000.00 16,000.00		537.70 262.81		
Department				290.38	28,556,96	28,847.34			28,700.00	479.00 103.00	6.55	479.00 28,809.55	37.79	479.00		
ce Department				54.45 1.958.75	22,917.54 3,308.81	22,971.99 5,267,56			22,000.00 23,500.00	4,591.97		26,591.97 23,500.00		3,619.98		18,
et Lights				1,965.24	21,810.98 724.05	23,776.22 724.05			23,600.00 1,000.00			23,600.00 1,000.00	176.22	275.95		
ers and Drains					467.50	467.50			800.00 500.00	139.95	200.00	1,139.95	159.10	672.45		
ste Department					659.10 5,631.53	5,631.53			5,500.00			5,500.00	131.53	500.00		
hway District No. 4				641.97	45,379.11	46,021.08			500.00 35,000.00	731.55	8,796.48	500.00 44,528,03	1,493.05	500.00		
tune's Rocks					800.60 809.45	800.60 809.45			800.00 800.00			800.00 800.00	.60 9.45			
Ridge District					444.50 431.39	444.50 431.39			500.0 450.00			500.00 450.00		55.50 18.61		
l Districturfacing Streets					493.76 14,703.94	493.76 14,703.94			500.00 12,000.00			500.00 12,000.00	2,703.94	6.24		
walks					345.25 719.36	345.25 719.36			500.00 700.00			500 00 700,00	19.36	154.75		
rd 7, North					601.77 418.45	601.77 418.45			600.00 400.00			600.00 400.00	1.77 18.45			
d 7, West e Aid Roads, 1936 e Aid Roads, 1937	885.59				6,189.28	885.59 6,189.28			2,650.00	734.70	885.59 2,804.52	885.59 6,189.22	.06			
d Class Maintenance					734.70 4,027.46	734.70 4,027.46			10,000.00		1,102.77	11,102.77	734.70	7,075.31		
tor Account					11,708.00	11,708.00			11,708.00 11,300.00		4,104.11	11,708.00 11,300.00		1,000		
ie Crusher					11,300.00 2,180.00	11,300.00 2,180.00			2,180.00 2,600.00			2,180.00 2,600.00		30.94		
ck for Waste Collection				1,303.14	2,569.06 95,305.90	2,569.06 96,609.04			65,000.00 5,000.00	4,936.51	18,819.79	88,756.30 5,000 00	7,852.74 1,411.00	50.54		
her's Aid					6,411.00 8,949.94	6,411.00 8,949.94			6,000.00	147.75	2,133.05	8,280.80	669.14			
rary					103.75 4,420.00	103.75 4,420.00			100.00 4,250.00	170.00		100.00 4,420.00	3.75	0.744.00		
odlawn Cemetery					33,202.71 796.05	33,202.71 796.05	519.01		32,000.00 650.00	2,176.19 450.00	2,592.91	36,769,10 1,619.01		3,566.39		
P. A				177.85	850,000.00 17,430.92	850,000.00 17,608.77	425,000.00		21,000.00	500,000.00 449.02	78.80	925,000,00 21,527.82		3,919.05		75,
d Sinking Fund					1,561,38	1,561.38			1,075,00	450.00		1,525.00	36.38			
Licenses Tax Lien Abatement				122.83	289.00	289.00 122.83	138.00			256.45		394,45	122.83	105.45		
Tax Lien Abatement				7.63 996.13	126,712.85	7.63 127,708.98			2,000.00			2,000.00	7.63 125,708.98			
Abatements, Pepperell Mig. Co				350.13	119,033.52 60,209.68	119,033.52 60,209.68			119,033.50 60,202.20			119,033.50 60,202.20	.02 7.48			
Notes—1936					30,209.08	00,407.08			99,000.00 31,038.40		595,12	99,000.00 31,623,52	5550	99,000.00 31,623.52		
road and Telephone Tax					02.140.00	0.7 1.07	97 169 90		WALDROVAU.	545.01	- Constant	545.01 27,163.33		545.01		
County Tax					27,163.33	27,163,33	27,163.33		25,482.43			25,482.43 95,327.99				25,4
State Tax					95,327.99 19,135.67	95,327,99 19,135.67	95,327.99		95,246.54			95,246.54				76,
not Officer	11,508.96			2,401.43	900.00 70,450.66	900.00 84,361.05			900.00 50,000.00	37,650.99	26.76	900.00 87,677.75				3,3
ual Training	191,59				1,218.37 1,115.59	1,218.37 1,307.18	776.23		1,100.00 700.00	546.73 586.66		2,422,96 1,286,66			20.52	1,5
sical Education	471.41 635.04				3,083.43 2,833.33	3,554.84 3,468.37			2,000.00 1,669.98	1,040.00 1,200.00		3,040.00 2,869.98			514.84 598.39	
thooks	1,416.02				1,846.70 13,458.43	1,846.70 14,874.45	1.91		3,500.00 9,000.00	.10		3,501.91 9,000.10			5,874.35	1.6
ical Inspection	296.43				958.32 1,472.00	958.32 1,768.43	541.49		1,000.00 1,200.00			1,541.49 1,200.00			568.43	
blies	1,518.14				1,307.13	2,825.27			2,100.00	731.80		2,831.80	1,989.10			
aratus and Equipment	LIST MARK				1,989.10 4,774.58	1,989.10 4,774.58			5.00	15,462.00		15,467.00	4,774.58			1
ational Educationst Funds Income	11.66				15,321.14 338.75	15,332.80 338.75	58.01		5.00	315.50	100.00	373,51				14,6
st Funds Reserve				187.57	500.00	14,654.59	13,967.02			500.00	187.57	14,654.59			14,654.59	24,0

State Department of Audit, By Frank L. Elliott.

05.25 \$6,005,544.15 \$168,703.37 \$168,703.37 \$8 Respectfully submitted, Albert E. Pare, City Auditor.