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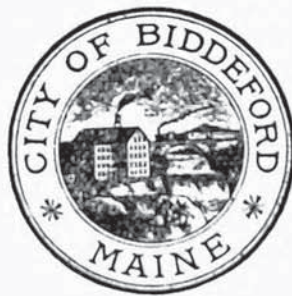
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Annual Report

CITY OF BIDDEFORD



For Fiscal Year

Beginning December 1, 1942
and Ending November 30, 1943



LOUIS B. LAUSIER

Mayor

CITY GOVERNMENT

*Mayor*

LOUIS B. LAUSIER

City Council

Councilmen at Large

WILFRID E. FRECHETTE

ALPHONSE CHRETIEN

HARRY E. MCKENZIE

CHARLES LALIBERTE

Ward Councilmen

HAROLD C. CURTIS	Ward 1
HENRY A. PALARDY	Ward 2
ARCHILLE CROTEAU	Ward 3
GEORGE L. LANDRY	Ward 4
JOSEPH O. CABANA, JR.	Ward 5
ALFRED F. LEDOUX	Ward 6
THOMAS P. MCGARITY	Ward 7

City Clerk

ARMAND DUQUETTE

City Solicitor

WILLIAM P. DONAHUE

City Treasurer

WILLIAM E. SHAW

City Auditor

ARMAND DUQUETTE

Board of Assessors

THOMAS H. SIMPSON, *Chief Assessor*

JOSEPH MARTIN

LINIERE DOYON

Tax Collector

SAUL GAGNE

Health and Welfare

DELVINA MATHURIN, *Clerk of Overseers of the Poor*

ANTOINE PETIT, *Superintendent of The Homestead*

DR. J. R. LAROCHELLE, *City Physician*

DR. GEORGES LEVESQUE, *Health Officer*

Board of Education

LOUIS B. LAUSIER, *Chairman*

JOHN J. DUNN

SUSAN N. PIPER

LOUIS J. PAINCHAUD

CLIFFORD M. CHENEY

Superintendent of Schools

PHILLIP H. WOODWORTH

Librarian

DANE YORKE

Truant Officer

PERCY C. McKEEN

*Police Commissioners*EDWARD H. RENY, *Chairman*

WILLIE BEAUDOIN

ARMAND DUQUETTE

Chief of Police

ALBERT E. PARE

Captain of Police

EDGAR SEVIGNY

*Board of Engineers of the Fire Department*FRANK CANTARA, *Chief Engineer*THOMAS FARLEY, *First Assistant Engineer*ARTHUR KING, *Second Assistant Engineer**Street Commissioner, District No. 4*

ALBERT CADORETTE

*Trustees Woodlawn Cemetery*LOUIS B. LAUSIER, *Chairman*

GEORGE W. BRIDGMAN

DR. DAVID E. DOLLOFF

Superintendent of Burials

FREDERICK D. RUMERY

Park Commissioners

FERDINAND O. BOUTHILLETTE

RALPH H. DEARBORN

CHARLES MCCARTHY

Milk Inspector

HENRY F. DINEEN

Electrical Inspector

EDMOND NEAULT

Inspector of Buildings

THOMAS BLANCHETTE

Sealer of Weights and Measures

EMILE LESSARD

Board of Registration of Voters

ULDERIC COTE, CHAIRMAN

JOSEPH F. CURTIS

JEROME A. MORIN

Members of Sinking Fund Commission

WILFRID LANDRY, *Chairman*

EDOUARD DELORGE

DANIEL L. CAREY



MAYOR'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS

GENTLEMEN OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

We meet today in one of the most momentous periods in our nation's history to inaugurate a new government of the people elected by free people in a real Democracy, and it is incumbent upon us to accept in the most profound manner the duties which devolve upon us in the interests of all the people of our city.

We are in the midst of the most tragic and devastating war in the history of all mankind. Two forces locked in deadly combat—nearly five million of the flower of our young manhood, many of these from our own city. Many more millions will be added before the end of this year. Many of these boys will be called upon to make the supreme sacrifice so it is the patriotic duty of us all to make whatever sacrifices that may be necessary whenever called upon to do so.

War is making many changes in the living conditions of our people, subjecting them to many inconveniences, none of which, however, as yet has interfered in any great degree with the comforts of our people.

You have listened to the declaration by the City Clerk to the number of ballots cast December 21st. Out of a total registration of 9,000 eligible to vote, 2,400 cast their ballots—25% of those registered. In our recent State election in September, 176,605 votes were cast out of a total registration of approximately 350,000 registered—slightly under 50%.

In our recent Congressional election out of sixty-one million entitled to vote, only twenty-eight million voted—less than 50% of the registration. This is the first time in the history of our country that a Congress was elected by a minority vote. This is indeed a very serious situation—

indicating that the electorate has lost interest in their Government, or on account of this super-prosperity in which we find ourselves, they are not concerned about who shall govern them. The ballot is not a plaything, it is an instrument of protection for the common people against any autocratic power of capitalism. Until the advent of the nineteenth century the voting power was concentrated largely in the hands of those whose financial interests were at stake. For centuries through blood, sweat and tears this franchise has been obtained. It is the privilege of the great mass of our people, male and female, to exercise this God-given right, yet today we find an indifference that the common people do not realize the value of this franchise.

This is the 89th inauguration of a municipal government in this city, and the ninth inauguration of a Democratic city government since the citizens of this city put into power a Democratic program in 1935. When we look back over that period, nearly a decade ago, I believe we can reminisce, and take a reasonable pride in the accomplishments of the governments which have preceded us having solved many problems always in the interests of all of the people. It is well that we, a newly established government, seek earnestly and faithfully to achieve the high standards of our predecessors whose successes are recorded for all time in the books of our municipality.

It is your duty to supervise conscientiously the operation of the subordinate departments of our government in order that a careful check can be made of the expenditures of these departments with a view to safeguard the money paid by our taxpayers for the conduct of this government, and I ask that you assume that obligation in a sincere and earnest effort for the public good.

The record of the administration just closed is one which cannot but appeal to the average citizen of this city. Giving credit where credit is due is a virtue inherent in the average man. We are the servants of the people, not their masters,

and during the last eight years it has been the purpose to conduct the affairs of the city with this responsibility to the people always in mind, and at the close of each year prior to the election a true report certified by the auditors of the State is made to the people.

The accomplishments of the last administration are indeed excellent and worthy of note in this message. Quoting the treasurer's report the year began with a cash balance of \$73,276.22 to which was added tax receipts of \$673,591.47, and additional receipts from various sources of \$263,751.34 making the total receipts \$1,010,619.03. There was expended by the different departments the sum of \$860,183.39 leaving a balance of cash in the treasury of \$150,435.64 after every bill presented was paid, and all maturing bonds aggregating \$47,500.00. \$10,000.00 was paid into the Sinking Fund for the retiring of \$200,000.00 in bonds for which no serial payments were provided. There is now on deposit in this fund for the redemption of these bonds \$87,645.78. A monument to the efficiency of this administration is the improved surfacing of Alfred Street, Washington Street, and City Square which makes our city center attractive to all our citizens, and likewise to visitors to our city. This work has been efficiently done by Warren Brothers Roads Co. of Cambridge, Mass., specialists in this kind of work at a cost of \$28,025.48 for Alfred Street, \$7,162.49 for Washington Street, and \$9,981.54 for South Street. This amount has been entirely paid out of 1942 receipts. This work was done in accordance with the specifications and supervision of Libby & Dow, Engineers of Saco, Maine. Similar to the work done the previous year there was an old pavement base which served as a foundation. This pavement base was resurfaced with bituminous concrete, first built up to the desired transverse or cross-sectional shape with a coarse bituminous concrete base mix. A two inch bituminous concrete wearing surface was then applied in two courses.

In the public press and in our ever increasing weekly publications we are informed about this and that program, and the sponsors of the different programs obtain special mention. On account of a demand that municipalities, States, and the nation should cease piling up a burden of debt and adopt a pay-as-you-go policy—this seems certainly strange to us here inasmuch as we have demonstrated the effectiveness of this policy which was inaugurated January 7th, 1935, and has been strictly adhered to since that date. Many administrations previous to that date had unwisely each year created additional debt until at the close of the government in 1934 the debt of our city reached the alarming figure of \$576,333.42 and the Democratic party came into power to correct this waste. It was then that the pay-as-you-go policy was put into effect. It took courage and foresight to take this step. In my first inaugural address I stressed to the new government the necessity of continuing this policy of debt reduction so that in a few years our city would be free from debt. As I address you here today I believe that I can see the end of the rainbow,—the payment of the entire net debt of our city. This net debt this year has been reduced \$107,956.22 and since January 7th, 1935 our net debt has been reduced from \$576,333.42 to \$153,015.91, November 30, 1942.

The government was exceedingly fortunate in the selection of Mr. Edward C. Thompson as chairman of the committee for the collection of scrap. Appeals were made by this committee and every available pound of scrap that could be found was obtained. Our people motivated by that patriotic spirit which is so much in evidence in all parts of this country in this national crisis responded, and as a result of this drive 2,049,531 pounds of needed scrap has been collected and shipped. The treasurer of the City has just received a check in payment for \$575.00. This money should not be used by the city, and I recommend that it be placed in a special fund, and later be used for the erection of a tablet commemorating this magnificent effort, or in

whatever way the contributors deem most appropriate. I wish to thank the committee for their time and effort which produced such excellent results.

McArthur Library

I wish to comment on the very excellent results of the librarian, Mr. Dane York, who has occupied the position for the last three years, and I urge our people to obtain a copy of our city report in which this report is published in order that they may be better informed in regard to the work of this institution. The Library is now in its eightieth year, having opened just a few weeks before Abraham Lincoln delivered his famous Gettysburg Address, and forty years ago it obtained its present location through the generosity of the late Robert McArthur for many years agent of the Pepperell Manufacturing Company, and one of our most respected and influential citizens. It is the oldest public library in the State and one of the oldest in the United States. This year on account of a gift of \$2,000.00 from the McArthur heirs the adult department has undergone a complete renovation. Its stock of technical books, books devoted to the industrial and civil training programs make it one of the best and most up to date in all New England. A total of 1,596 volumes were added during the year. It can be recorded with just pride that this library was one of the first to be selected by the National Government as a center of essential war information.

Incorporated in the records of this institution is the record of the international broadcast to Bideford, England, on March 12, 1942, this broadcast being made at the request of the English town as a part of the trans-Atlantic series arranged by station WRUL between namesake towns of Old England and New England. This is an event of local historic interest—the records of which are now preserved.

Fire Department

This department is exceedingly well managed by the board of three engineers. Two changes in this board have been made, caused by two former engineers resigning, also some of the permanent men have been replaced. Many of these men are proven fire-fighters and their loss to the department is regrettable. These men, however, will in the event of a large fire lend their assistance while under no obligation to do so. Once a fire-fighter, always a fire-fighter. I would recommend that these men be given an opportunity to come in as call men. The finances of this department have been ably handled as is shown by the chief engineer's excellent report. I feel that I can assure our city that the protection of lives and property has not been affected by changes made.

W. P. A. Department

The W. P. A. passed into history a month ago by proclamation of the President. This most worthy project served its purpose during the period of depression when wages were low. The demand for labor has now placed these men and women back into industry. This department leaves for posterity monuments in every section of the country—many of these requiring engineering ability of a high order. Under the project was built our storm sewer, our airport, and many square yards of sidewalk, and many thousands of articles of clothing. The National Government paid for all labor and the city paid for all material used. During the 7½ years of its existence the National Government paid out \$662,091.54 and the city paid out \$192,850.53 for material furnished.

Welfare Department

The Welfare Department of our city has been conducted during the past few years in such a manner that there could be no reason for criticism. For the last two years the

expenditures of this department have been declining, and this year reached a low of \$24,808.19. The appropriation for the department was \$45,000.00 with credits of \$3,744.94. The year finished with cash on hand, unexpended, of \$23,936.75. This is an excellent record and is an indication of the prosperity enjoyed by our people. There were distributed by this department this year 2,409 articles of clothing made in the dress factory, and there is now on hand 3,060 pieces.

The management of The Homestead has been of the same high order as in previous years. The unfortunates housed there are given every possible care and attention. The number has been steadily declining and at the close of the year the number of inmates was twenty-two. The amount of farm products raised this past season is noted on the superintendent's report and indicates the success attained in the operation of this farm in producing a sufficient amount for the feeding of the inmates, and also an amount turned over to the treasurer.

Police Department

This department has been conducted in a manner which meets the approval of all the people of our city. Crime is kept at a minimum on account of the efficiency of the officers of this department, and their strict attention to duty. It is necessary that the police force supervise an area of twenty-five square miles and with the increase in population during the past year their efforts have been commendable. Additional duties have been placed upon them in the very important work of the enforcement of civilian defense regulations, and while there has been some changes in the personnel of the department, the efficiency of it has not in any way been reduced. The financial record is excellent, for with appropriation and credits amounting to \$25,839.69 there remained cash in this department at the close of the year of \$1,889.68.

Street Department

The activities of this department are more in the public eye perhaps than any other department of the city, and many comments have been heard by citizens on the excellent work that has been done. I feel that all over our city our streets and sidewalks are kept up in excellent condition. On account of labor conditions, however, much work that might have been done in the department had to be postponed. However, additional demands were made upon this department for the necessary work which had to be done in grading and in raising curbs in the sections where the re-surfacing jobs have been done. The following streets and roads were graded—Clark Avenue, Round Hill Street, extension of Granite Street, Dearborn Avenue, Westland Avenue, Liberty Avenue, Victory Avenue, Dupont Street, Janelle Street, Cole Road, Buzzell Road, Goodwins Mills Road, Mountain Road, Proctor Road, River Road, Guinea Road, Newtown Road. Re-surfacing was done on the following sidewalks, which were treated with two applications of tar—Prospect Street, Atlantic Avenue, Clark Avenue, Pool Street, Pine Street, Hill Street, Graham Street, Birch Street, and Summer Street. In all 7,000 feet of re-surfacing was done. 1,000 feet of asphalt sidewalk was laid on Pike and Birch Streets. 16,000 gallons of tar were applied to these streets. Sewers were constructed on Vine and West Streets, new pockets and manholes were built on Vine, West and Elm Streets. I recommend the policy of improving our streets and sidewalks be continued and keeping them in proper condition.

School Department

The same very high standard of efficiency in our schools has been maintained and is to the credit of our Board of Education and to our excellent corps of teachers ably directed by Superintendent Philip H. Woodworth, preparing young men and women to meet the ever increasing problems of everyday life. The superintendent's report calls attention to the declining enrollment in our schools notwithstanding a

substantial increase in our population. There are 51 less pupils in our high school and 43 less in our elementary schools attributable to the extraordinary demand for labor. This is regrettable inasmuch as it indicates a trend from the educational to the material among our young men and women of school age. The financial record of this department is notable, the year closed with an unexpended balance of \$4,738.09, and an overdraft of \$2,568.48 caused by the purchasing of an entire winter's supply of coal in order to guard against any possible shortage.

Civil Defense

Nearly a year ago on account of legislation enacted by the Congress of the United States I appointed a Civil Defense Commission composed of men who were eminently fitted for the work which they would be called upon to perform in setting up the machinery for the civil defense program. This work has been completed and the heads of the different departments now take over in order that the lives and property of our people may be safeguarded if we should have the misfortune to experience a bombing raid. Mr. Edward H. Drapeau, Chief Air Raid Warden, has submitted his report which gives in detail a summary of the time and effort devoted to the work and the excellent results obtained. Starting with one thousand men we now have approximately five hundred men and women in this Air Raid Warden Corps who patrol 43 sections of the city. These have been thoroughly instructed in their duties by two of our school teachers, Miss Margaret Whelan and Miss Sylvia Ross. Post Wardens and their assistant wardens have been drilled in conducting blackouts, enforcing authority and reporting any violations to the report center which has been set up and is in operation together with a District Warning Center which is manned 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. In the event of a raid this department puts into action all civil defense activities. Tests made of all

these departments of civil defense have been most satisfactory, proving that within a very few minutes everyone is at his post ready for action.

In this defense area situated as we are in the midst of large defense industries the demand for labor has been increasing at high wages, also on account of the rising cost of commodities I feel it necessary to recommend an increase of 10% in all the regular departments of the city. This will add approximately \$18,450.00 to the yearly expenditures, nearly 1½ mills on our present valuation. On account of the excellent financial standing of the city, however, this can be absorbed and I recommend also a further reduction in the tax rate this year.

In this hour nearly all the nations of the earth are engaged in the most terrifying conflict in the history of all mankind. The doctrine of love has been superceded by the doctrine of hate. It would seem that the philosophy of the fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man has become nonexistent. There has been reared a great Frankenstein monster of army and armament to kill, maim, and destroy, and the combative spirit in the minds of man may lay waste all known civilization.

No man knows what the future of the world may be, and we look with hope and prayer on the threshold of this New Year into the uncertain future, and we pray that this nightmare may pass from us, and that we may awaken in the full realization that when we meet here again twelve months hence that our loved ones that are now in battle in the four corners of the earth will be gathered around the family hearth in joyous reunion and in celebration of a real Happy New Year, and this is my wish to you and to all the people of our city.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

December 8th, 1943.

HONORABLE LOUIS B. LAUSIER, MAYOR, AND MEMBERS OF
THE CITY COUNCIL, BIDDEFORD, MAINE.

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your request by Council Order dated October 4, 1943, this department, represented by M. W. Bragdon, has completed an examination of the accounts of your city officials for the municipal year ended November 30, 1943.

In our opinion, based upon such examination, the accompanying exhibits and schedules fairly present the financial condition of your municipality as of November 30, 1943 and the results of its operations for the period then ended.

The data obtained by us is summarized in the following:

- | | Comments |
|------------|---|
| Exhibit A | Balance Sheet |
| B | Cash Receipts and Disbursements |
| C | 1943 Valuation, Tax Assessment and Collection |
| D | Statement of Departmental Operations |
| E | Analysis of Change in Net Deficit |
| Schedule 1 | Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash Balance |
| 2 | Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners |
| 3 | Summary of Taxes |
| 4 | Summary of Tax Liens |
| 5 | Summary of Tax Deeds |
| 6 | Reserve for Uncollectible Tax Accounts |
| 7 | Accounts Receivable |
| 8 | Trust Funds |
| 9 | Bonds Outstanding |
| 10 | Bond Redemption Requirements |
| 11 | Analysis of Change in Bonded Debt |

Respectfully submitted,

STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT,
HAROLD E. CRAWFORD,
Municipal Auditor.

COMMENTS

Without making a detailed audit of the transactions during the fiscal year ended November 30, 1943, we have examined or tested accounting records and other supporting evidence, by methods and to the extent deemed appropriate.

As far as could be ascertained, all monies received were recorded and promptly deposited, and all expenditures authorized by approved warrants were paid by check. Vouchers were test checked to determine they were just charges, correctly recorded and carried to the proper department or appropriation account. Checks were test checked to see that they corresponded with vouchers as to name and amount.

While no detailed lists of uncollected taxes are included in this report, they are on file with the Tax Collector, back to 1935 inclusive, and in the office of the State Department of Audit at Augusta.

Cash

The general operating cash at November 30, 1943, amounted to \$242,122.01. This balance was reconciled with the bank statement of the above-mentioned date, which statement was further verified by letter from the Pepperell Trust Company.

The petty cash account of \$150 in the office of the Tax Collector was counted and found to be on hand.

Sinking Fund

Schedule 2 presents an analysis of this fund from its inception in 1935. In October, 1943, money was withdrawn from the savings account and invested in United States Defense Bonds, which bonds were checked and are listed on Schedule 2.

Taxes — Property and Poll

The commitment of taxes to the Collector was compared with the Assessors' records. The total commitment was accounted for by cash paid to the Treasurer, properly authorized abatements, or still remains unpaid according to the records of the Collector. No mail verification has been made of these uncollected items. A reduction of over \$20,000 has been made in unpaid taxes. Considerable progress was made during the year in a drive on delinquent poll taxes.

Payments received and credits made on tax liens and deeds were verified by examination of the cash records or minutes of the meetings of the City Council. The liens and deeds remaining unpaid were checked and the total of the record book found to be in agreement with the general ledger control.

Excise Tax

The excise tax collections were examined and, according to these records, all cash receipts had been deposited with the Treasurer.

Accounts Receivable

During the year, payment was received on the sewer construction project. The present accounts due the city represent rent, sewer permits and pauper bills paid for the state or other towns.

Trust Funds

All savings pass books covering trust fund investments were examined. New funds in the amount of \$750.00 were received during the year. The detail of the funds is shown on Schedule 8, together with information relative to the income derived and amounts withdrawn.

Bonds Outstanding

Bonds in the amount of \$37,500 matured during the 1943 year. These were paid by appropriation, were on file and found to be cancelled. Schedules 9 and 10 show bonds outstanding and an analysis of payments as to principal and interest.

Departmental Operations

Exhibits D and E present detailed information relative to the operations of the various departments. With the exception of the Highway, most departments closed with unexpended balances.

The net operating gain for the year amounted to \$94,139.89, while the Net Deficit was reduced to the amount of \$74,887.13. In contemplating these figures, the adequacy of the amount set up as a reserve for tax accounts should be considered.

General

With the elimination of most highway work in 1943, the amount appropriated for State Aid Road was not used and this balance has been carried forward as required by statute.

All licenses issued by the City Clerk were checked and the cash received for them was found properly accounted for.

With the exception of cash, sinking fund and trust funds, no external verification was made of your asset and liability accounts.

EXHIBIT A

BALANCE SHEET—NOVEMBER 30, 1943
(Compared with November 30, 1942)

Assets

Subsidiary Schedules:	Nov. 30, 1943	Nov. 30, 1942
Cash:		
1 General	\$242,122.01	\$150,435.64
Petty	150.00	150.00
	—————\$242,272.01—————	—————\$150,585.64—————
2 Sinking Fund	98,974.95	87,645.78
Tax Accounts Uncollected:		
3 Taxes	\$194,419.45	\$216,823.62
4 Tax Liens	41,389.97	38,010.79
5 Tax Deeds	10,993.55	11,220.41
	—————\$246,802.97—————	—————\$266,054.82—————
6 Less — Reserve for Col.	115,419.55	90,419.55
	—————131,383.42—————	—————175,635.27—————
7 Accounts Receivable	444.03	9,177.88
Total Assets	\$473,074.41	\$423,044.57
8 Trust Fund Invest- ments	17,500.16	16,678.66
Combined Assets and Trust Investments	\$490,574.57	\$439,723.23

Liabilities

Rent Paid in Advance		\$ 50.00
9 Bonds Outstanding	\$422,000.00	459,500.00
Due Governmental Agencies:		
Victory and With-		
holding Tax	\$ 966.22	
State Tax—1943	87,719.63	
County Tax—1943	20,727.18	
State Tax—1942		\$91,514.75
County Tax—1942		22,826.12
	————— 109,413.03 —————	114,340.87
	—————	—————
Total Liabilities	\$531,413.03	\$573,890.87
8 Trust Funds Reserve ..	17,500.16	16,678.66

SURPLUS ACCOUNTS

Ex. D Departmental Bal-		
ances Forward (net)	\$16,548.51	\$ 2,169.61
Ex. E Net Surplus (Def-		
icit)	74,887.13	153,015.91
	————— 58,338.62 —————	150,846.30
	—————	—————
Combined Liabilities, Trust		
Reserve and Surplus		
Accounts	\$490,574.57	\$439,723.23

EXHIBIT B

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Year Ended November 30, 1943

Cash Balance—November 30, 1942	\$150,435.64
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Receipts

Property and Poll Taxes:

Current Year	\$563,318.00	
Prior Years	66,729.25	
	<hr/>	\$630,047.25 (Sch. 3)
Tax Liens (Sch. 4)	8,268.40	
Tax Deeds (Sch. 5)	185.12	
	<hr/>	\$638,500.77†
Excise Tax		19,245.27

	From State	Other Sources
Departmental:		
General Government		\$13,105.28
Protection	\$ 10.00	1,807.56
Health		175.00
Highways	672.38	1,876.82
Charities	1,257.33	1,436.13
Education	28,483.25	3,634.00
Library	200.00	
Unclassified	2,322.87	3.60
Cemeteries		370.00
Interest		567.80

*\$32,945.83	\$22,976.19
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55,922.02 (Ex. D)

Tax Anticipation Loans	100,000.00	
Saco-Lowell Shops—Memorial Fund	25,000.00	
Trust Funds	750.00	
Other Receipts:		
Accounts Receivable:		
State	\$8,429.45*	
Others	629.89	
	<hr/>	\$9,059.34
State — Special Resolve (Paupers)	2,870.37*	
Victory and Withholding Tax	9,217.20	
	<hr/>	21,146.91
Total Receipts	<hr/>	860,564.97
Total Available		<hr/> \$1,011,000.61

Disbursements

Departmental Accounts (Ex. D)	\$509,192.60
Tax Anticipation Loans	100,000.00
Committee—Memorial to War Veterans	25,000.00
Trust Funds Invested	750.00
State Tax—1942	91,514.75
County Tax—1942	22,826.12
Victory and Withholding Tax	8,250.98
Excise Tax Expense	395.92
Tax Refunds	15.00
1942 Tax Liens	10,933.23
	<hr/> 768,878.60
Cash Balance — Nov. 30, 1943 (Sch. 1)	<hr/> \$242,122.01

* Total state receipts, \$44,245.65.

† Includes \$10,933.23 tax liens and costs. Actual cash collected, \$627,567.54.

EXHIBIT C

1943 VALUATION, TAX ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION

Year Ended November 30, 1943

Valuation:

Real Estate—Resident	\$8,466,518.00	
Real Estate—Non-Resident	3,968,215.75	
		\$12,434,733.75
Personal Estate—Resident	753,433.00	
Personal Estate—Non-Resident	1,478,040.00	
		2,231.473.00
Total Valuation		\$14,666,206.75

Assessment and Collection:

Valuation × Rate—		
\$14,666,206.75 × .043	\$630,646.89	
4,971 Polls @ \$3.00	14,913.00	
Variance	2.01	
Tax Commitment*	\$645,561.90	
Supplemental Tax	673.58	
Charges to Collector		\$646,235.48

Credits To Collector:

Cash paid Treasurer	\$563,318.00	
Abatements—General	1,065.40	
Abatements—Pepperell Mfg. Co.	30,084.39	
		594,467.79

Uncollected Taxes—Nov. 30, 1943:

Real Estate	\$41,241.69	
Personal	4,028.00	
Poll	6,498.00	
(Sch. 3)		\$51,767.69

Computation of Assessment

*Tax Commitment	\$645,561.90
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Requirements :

City Appropriations	\$505,665.21	
State Tax	108,897.00	
County Tax	20,727.18	

Total Appropriations (Ex. D)	635,289.39	
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Overlay—To Reserve for Uncollectible Tax Accounts (Sch. 6)		\$10,272.51
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EXHIBIT E

ANALYSIS OF CHANGE IN NET DEFICIT**Year Ended November 30, 1943**

Net Deficit—November 30, 1942	\$153,015.91
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Transactions affecting prior years:	
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Charges:	
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Reserve for uncollectible tax accounts	\$14,727.49 (Sch. 6)
Accounts Receivable not collectible	44.54
Adjustments on Tax Liens (Sch. 4)	1.70
Adjustments on Tax Deeds (Sch. 5)	41.74
Abatements on prior years' taxes	4,066.01

	<u>\$18,881.48</u>
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Credits: State of Maine pauper account not set up as an asset	2,870.37
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Net Charges for Prior Years	<u>16,011.11</u>
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	<u>\$169,027.02</u>
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Transactions affecting current year:	
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Operating Accounts:	
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Credits:	
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Departmental Operations (Ex. D):	
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Unexpended	\$47,510.07
Overdraft	22,392.18

	<u>\$25,117.89</u>
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Supplemental Taxes	\$1,358.48
Less: Refunds	15.00
	<u>1,343.48</u>

Excise Tax not applied	\$19,245.27
Less: Expense	395.92
	<u>18,849.35</u>

Interest on Sinking Fund	<u>1,329.17</u>
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	<u>\$46,639.89</u>
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Appropriations for:	
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Payment of Bonds	\$37,500.00
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Sinking Fund	10,000.00
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	<u>47,500.00</u>
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Total Credits for Current Year	<u>94,139.89</u>
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Net Deficit, Nov. 30, 1943 (Ex. A)	
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	<u>\$74,887.13</u>
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SCHEDULE 1

RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH BALANCE**November 30, 1943**

Balance per statement—Pepperell Trust Co.	\$263,350.99
Add: Deposit of December 1st	160.00
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	\$263,510.99
Deduct: Checks outstanding	21,388.98*
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Cash Balance, Nov. 30, 1943 (Exs. A & B)	\$242,122.01

* Of this amount, \$8,062.78 represents sixteen (16) checks payable to Diamond Match Company. Fifteen (15) of these checks, totaling \$2,407.87, have been refused and returned to the city.

SCHEDULE 2

BOARD OF SINKING FUND COMMISSIONERS
1935-1943

	Appropriation Deposited	Interest Earned	Yearly Total
Pepperell Trust Company, Book No. 15,557:			
Deposits and Interest:			
1935	\$10,000.00	\$ 175.38	\$10,175.38
1936	10,000.00	453.60	10,453.60
1937	10,000.00	724.06	10,724.06
1938	10,000.00	990.97	10,990.97
1939	10,000.00	1,285.09	11,285.09
1940	10,000.00	1,245.31	11,245.31
1941	10,000.00	1,471.33	11,471.33
1942	10,000.00	1,300.04	11,300.04
1943	10,000.00	1,329.17	11,329.17
	<u>\$90,000.00</u>	<u>\$8,974.95</u>	
			\$98,974.95
Withdrawn October, 1943, to purchase U. S. Defense Bonds			96,940.00
			<u>\$ 2,034.95</u>
Balance on deposit November 30, 1943			
U. S. Defense Bonds Series F, Dated Oct., 1943, maturing in 12 years.			
13 \$10,000.00 Bonds, Nos. X155925F- 37F		\$130,000.00	
1 1,000.00 Bond, No. M799718F ..		1,000.00	
		<u>\$131,000.00</u>	
Maturity Value			96,940.00
Cost at 74% of Maturity Value			
			<u>\$98,974.95</u>
Sinking Fund—Nov. 30, 1943 (Ex. A)			

SUMMARY OF TAXES Year Ended November 30, 1943

	1943	1942	1941	1940	1939	1938	1937	1936	1935	Prior
Total										
1943 Tax Commitment	\$645,561.90									
Uncollected—November 30, 1942 ..	216,823.62	\$67,536.82	\$5,365.60	\$5,804.01	\$5,885.92	\$6,997.45	\$5,626.15	\$5,662.61	\$5,964.60	\$107,980.46
Supplemental	1,358.48	673.58	642.90	15.00	12.00	6.00	3.00	6.00		
	863,744.00	646,235.48	5,380.60	5,816.01	5,891.92	7,000.45	5,632.15	5,662.61	5,964.60	107,980.46
Credits To Collector:										
Cash to Treasurer	619,651.52*	49,559.65	1,072.68	1,234.30	972.00	1,020.00	825.00	810.00	693.00	146.89
Abatements	39,277.30	4,687.28	462.05	480.64	494.32	512.10	463.80	574.20	453.12	
Tax Liens (as cash)	10,395.73*	10,395.73								
	669,324.55	594,467.79	1,534.73	1,714.94	1,466.32	1,532.10	1,288.80	1,384.20	1,146.12	146.89
Uncollected—11-30-43:										
Polls	29,298.00	6,498.00	2,832.00	2,958.00	2,895.00	3,414.00	2,790.00	2,502.00	2,502.00	
Personal	16,046.19	4,028.00	1,013.87	1,143.07	1,530.60	2,054.35	1,553.35	1,776.41	2,316.48	
Polls and Personal	107,833.57									107,833.57
Real Estate	41,241.69	41,241.69								
	\$194,419.45	\$3,537.06	\$3,845.87	\$4,101.07	\$4,425.60	\$5,468.35	\$4,343.35	\$4,278.41	\$4,818.48	\$107,833.57
(Ex. A)										
(Ex. C)										

* Total \$630,047.25 (Exhibit B) current and prior years' taxes.

SCHEDULE 4

SUMMARY OF TAX LIENS

Year Ended November 30, 1943

Year	Uncollected 11/30/42	New Liens	Collected	Adjusted	Uncollected 11/30/43
1942		\$11,649.28*	\$3,420.72		\$ 8,228.56
1941	\$ 9,896.42		2,919.67		6,976.75
1940	6,984.21		908.91		6,075.30
1939	5,625.42		416.50		5,208.92
1938	4,399.07		256.57		4,142.50
1937	3,871.45		195.99		3,675.46
1936	3,042.51		68.64	\$1.45	2,972.42
1935	2,377.41		17.23		2,360.18
1934	1,814.30		64.17	.25	1,749.88
	<hr/> \$38,010.79 (Ex. A)	<hr/> \$11,649.28	<hr/> \$8,268.40 (Ex. B)	<hr/> \$1.70 (Ex. E)	<hr/> \$41,389.97 (Ex. A)
*Amount of Tax				\$10,395.73 (Sch. 3)	
Interest				571.45	
Costs				682.10	
				<hr/> \$11,649.28	

SCHEDULE 5

SUMMARY OF TAX DEEDS

Year	Uncollected 11/30/42	Collected	Adjusted	Uncollected 11/30/43
1933	\$ 1,063.83	\$ 5.96	\$ 3.86	\$ 1,054.01
1932	1,674.62	4.17	9.32	1,661.13
1931	2,414.60	4.29	9.76	2,400.55
1930	1,312.24	4.29	9.88	1,298.07
1929	1,149.23	3.92		1,145.31
1928	1,496.07	162.49	8.92	1,324.66
1927	763.95			763.95
1926	517.08			517.08
1925	338.70			338.70
1924	264.01			264.01
1923	226.08			226.08
	<hr/> \$11,220.41 (Ex. A)	<hr/> \$185.12 (Ex. B)	<hr/> \$41.74 (Ex. E)	<hr/> \$10,993.55 (Ex. A)

SCHEDULE 6

RESERVE FOR UNCOLLECTIBLE TAX ACCOUNTS**Year Ended November 30, 1943**

 Reserve—November 30, 1942 \$ 90,419.55

Credits:

1943 Overlay (Ex. C) \$10,272.51

Charge against Net Deficit (Ex. E) 14,727.49

 25,000.00

 Reserve—November 30, 1943 (Ex. A) \$115,419.55

NOTE: The sufficiency of this reserve as carried on the books might be questioned when the total of unpaid tax accounts are taken into consideration. The reserve is being increased each year, however, at a more than adequate amount.

SCHEDULE 7

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

 City Building—Rental \$175.00

Sewer and Drain—Permits 74.00

Welfare Department—Paupers:

State of Maine \$133.13

Town of Hudson 56.65

Town of Van Buren 5.25

 195.03

 (Ex. A) \$444.03

SCHEDULE 9

BONDS OUTSTANDING
Year Ended November 30, 1943

Refunding Bonds of 1925:

4% dated May 1, 1925, payable May 1, 1945 \$ 50,000.00

Funding Bonds of 1929:

4½% dated September 15, 1929, payable September 15, 1949. Sinking Fund to be established to assure payment at maturity 200,000.00*

Funding Bonds of 1935:

3¾% serial bonds dated August 1, 1935, payable \$16,500.00 annually to August 1, 1945, inclusive 33,000.00

Funding Bonds of 1937:

3¾% serial bonds dated January 2, 1937, payable \$11,000.00 annually to January 2, 1952, inclusive 99,000.00

Refunding Bonds of 1939:

2% serial bonds dated May 15, 1939, payable \$5,000.00 annually to May 15, 1949, inclusive 30,000.00

Refunding Bonds of 1940:

1½% serial bonds dated May 1, 1940, payable \$5,000.00 annually to May 1, 1945, inclusive 10,000.00

(Ex. A) \$422,000.00

* Sinking Fund invested applicable to above \$98,974.95.

SCHEDULE 11

ANALYSIS OF CHANGE IN BONDED DEBT
Year Ended November 30, 1943

Bonded Debt—November 30, 1942 \$459,500.00

Deduct—Bonds retired by appropriation:

Funding 3¾% issue of 1935	\$16,500.00
Funding 3¾% issue of 1937	11,000.00
Refunding 2% issue of 1939	5,000.00
Refunding 1½% issue of 1940	5,000.00
	37,500.00

Bonded Debt—November 30, 1943 (Ex. A) \$422,000.00

SCHEDULE 10

BOND REDEMPTION REQUIREMENTS

	Total Annual Payment	Refunding 4% 1925 Issue	Funding 4½% 1929 Issue	Funding 3¾% 1935 Issue	Funding 3¾% 1937 Issue	Refunding 2% 1939 Issue	Refunding 1½% 1940 Issue
Principal							
1944	\$ 37,500.00			\$16,500.00	\$11,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
1945	87,500.00	\$50,000.00		16,500.00	11,000.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
1946	16,000.00				11,000.00	5,000.00	
1947	16,000.00				11,000.00	5,000.00	
1948	16,000.00				11,000.00	5,000.00	
1949	216,000.00		\$200,000.00		11,000.00	5,000.00	
1950	11,000.00				11,000.00		
1951	11,000.00				11,000.00		
1952	11,000.00				11,000.00		
	\$422,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$33,000.00	\$99,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$10,000.00
(Sch. 9)							
Interest							
1944	\$16,406.25	\$2,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$1,237.50	\$ 3,506.25	\$ 550.00	\$112.50
1945	14,200.00	1,000.00	9,000.00	618.75	3,093.75	450.00	37.50
1946	12,031.25		9,000.00		2,681.25	350.00	
1947	11,518.75		9,000.00		2,268.75	250.00	
1948	11,006.25		9,000.00		1,856.25	150.00	
1949	10,493.75		9,000.00		1,443.75	50.00	
1950	1,031.25				1,031.25		
1951	618.75				618.75		
1952	206.25				206.25		
	\$77,512.50	\$3,000.00	\$54,000.00	\$1,856.25	\$16,706.25	\$1,800.00	\$150.00

TRUST FUNDS
Year Ended November 30, 1943

Fund No.	Original Fund	Cemetery Lot No.	INVESTED		INTEREST		
			Bank	Book No.	Balance 11/30/42	Earned	With-drawn Balance 11/30/43
1	Charles Beaumont	36W	Pepperell Trust	1136	\$ 100.00	\$ 1.50	\$ 1.50
2	J. E. Brooks	216W		2052	200.00	3.01	3.00
3	Jeremiah Bunker	BP	Biddeford Savings	10308	670.09	13.46	15.90
4	Eilen Burnham	487W		12286	50.00	1.00	1.00
5	Emeline Burnham	164W		2801	238.14	4.78	6.00
6	Horace Clark	243W		5874	75.37	1.51	1.87
7	Cleaves Poor Fund			5455	1,580.28	31.76	
8	Cleaves Fund		Pepperell Trust	1151	477.77	7.19	
9	Elizabeth Cole	319W	Biddeford Savings	8779	209.62	4.20	5.00
10	Celanise Crochiere	St. J		11917	111.29	2.23	
11	Celanise Crochiere	St. J		11916	111.29	2.23	
12	George B. Curtis	121W		14731	100.03	2.01	2.01
13	Sarah B. Curtis	861W		5595	150.63	3.02	3.02
14	Amanda Davis	143W	Pepperell Trust	6180	200.00	3.01	3.00
15	Annie M. Dustin	618W	Biddeford Savings	7832	50.29	1.00	1.25
16	Emmons Fund	518W		14000	100.10	2.01	2.01
17	Mary A. Farewell Ellis	8G		1121	104.98	2.10	
18	W. M. T. Flanders	622W	Pepperell Trust	1843	100.00	1.50	1.50
19	William J. Graves	842W		8735	100.00	1.50	1.50
20	Sophia Harvey	89W		8736	150.00	2.25	2.25
21	Elizabeth P. Haines	158-9W		7231	200.00	3.01	3.00
22	Cynthia J. Haynes	114W	Biddeford Savings	12592	100.23	2.01	2.01
23	Ann R. Hamilton	270G		13633	106.85	2.13	
							38
							1,612.04
							484.96
							208.82
							113.52
							113.52
							100.03
							150.63
							200.01
							50.04
							100.10
							107.08
							100.00
							100.00
							150.00
							200.01
							100.23
							108.98

24	Eben Hill	100.00	160W	Pepperell Trust	9331	100.00	1.50	1.50	100.00
25	Albert O. Hill	200.00	870W		9160	200.00	3.01	3.00	200.01
26	Thomas G. Hill	100.00	407W		6816	100.00	1.50	1.50	100.00
27	Jennie M. Johnson	100.00	598W	Biddeford Savings	5696	100.07	2.01	2.01	100.07
28	Mary Joy	100.00	668W		11179	100.16	2.01	2.01	100.16
29	Benjamin A. Kenison	150.00	14W		1654	212.80	4.26	5.00	212.06
30	Alveretta Littlefield	100.00	11W		13800	100.16	2.01	2.01	100.16
31	Jack Lunt	150.00	152W		9512	224.01	4.50	5.00	223.51
32	William Mason	100.00	320W		5986	100.35	2.01	2.25	100.11
33	Ministerial Fund	1,389.90			8059	1,244.11	25.00		1,269.11
34	Christina Murphy	50.00	856W	Pepperell Trust	3812	50.00	.74	.74	50.00
35	Betsey Murray	296.00	557W	Biddeford Savings	10203	300.04	6.03	6.03	300.04
36	Mary McWhirter	100.00	529W		10449	100.22	2.01	2.01	100.22
37	Leavitt-Patrick	100.00	546W	Pepperell Trust	8297	100.00	1.50	1.50	100.00
38	Charles Ricker	100.00	532W	Biddeford Savings	10454	100.22	2.01	2.01	100.22
39	Julia A. Ricker	75.00	541W		12083	75.40	1.51	1.75	75.16
40	Charles Smith	100.00	392W		13360	100.01	2.01	2.01	100.01
41	Hannah Smith	100.00	317W		9487	106.09	2.13	4.00	104.22
42	Mary A. Smith	500.00	262-264W		5875	655.05	13.16	14.32	653.89
43	Thomas D. Shur	100.00	221G		1827	105.02	2.11		107.13
44	Hannibel D. Taylor	50.00	DMR	Pepperell Trust	1355	50.00	.74	.74	50.00
45	Goodrich & Wilson	100.00	23W		8195	100.00	1.50	1.50	100.00
46	Jane F. Webster	150.00	60W	Biddeford Savings	2460	188.62	3.78	4.00	188.40
47	Abraham Kay	100.00	490W		20591	100.00	2.01	2.01	100.00
48	Jothram W. Benson	100.00	108G		20690	105.07	2.11		107.18
49	Ida N. Witham	150.00	30W	York County Savings	31114	150.39	3.01	3.25	150.15
50	Lizzie Hutchins	100.00	124-5W	Pepperell Trust	10932	100.00	1.50	1.50	100.00
51	J. S. Hill	150.00	111W	York County Savings	31229	150.08	3.01	3.01	150.08
52	George H. Stone	100.00	777W		31250	100.11	2.01	2.01	100.11
53	John R. Bonser	100.00	130W		31357	100.06	2.01	2.01	100.06
54	Mabel G. Chellis	150.00	829W		31691	151.93	3.04	4.00	150.97
55	Georgia A. Warren	200.00	460W		31695	200.28	4.02	4.25	200.05

Fund No.	Original Fund	Cemetery Lot No.	INVESTED		INTEREST		
			Bank	Book No.	Balance 11/30/42	Earned	With- drawn Balance 11/30/43
56	150.00	260W		31900	150.28	3.01	3.01
57	100.00	382W		31903	100.20	2.01	2.01
58	150.00	524W		31940	150.22	3.01	3.01
59	100.00	269W		32604	100.09	2.01	2.01
60	200.00	211W		32097	201.14	4.04	4.50
61	150.00	830W		32450	150.22	3.01	3.01
62	100.00	221W		32775	100.08	2.01	2.01
63	200.00	885W	Biddeford Savings	25076	201.20	4.04	4.50
64	100.00	836W		25291	100.08	2.01	2.01
65	300.00	446W		25310	305.59	6.13	6.50
66	100.00	434W	York County Savings	33894	100.06	2.01	2.01
67	100.00	555W		33801	100.02	2.01	2.01
68	500.00	472W		34118	501.75	10.07	10.07
69	100.00	103W		34349	100.06	2.01	2.01
70	50.00	538W	Biddeford Savings	26605	50.14	1.00	1.00
71	200.00	102W		26750	200.05	4.02	4.02
72	200.00	171W		26953	200.05	4.02	4.02
73	125.00	193G		27174	131.03	2.63	
74	100.00	490W	York County Savings	34672	100.16	2.01	2.01
75	200.00	196W		34621	200.10	4.02	4.02
76	200.00	249W		35446	200.23	4.02	4.02
77	100.00	55W	Biddeford Savings	27355	100.02	2.01	2.01
78	200.00	332W	Pepperell Trust	15869	200.00	3.01	3.00
79	100.00	387W		17416	100.00	1.50	1.50
80	200.00	874W		17470	200.00	3.01	3.00
81	100.00	943W		17520	100.00	1.50	1.50
82	150.00	851W		18425	150.00	2.25	2.25
83	300.00	48W		18157	300.00	4.51	4.50
84	75.00	845W		18424	75.00	1.12	1.12

85	M. J. Leavitt & George Olsen	100.00	864W	18864	100.00	1.50	1.50	100.00
86	Lillian V. Gilpin	250.00	132W	18863	250.00	3.75	3.75	250.00
87	John F. Hooper, Jr.	200.00	332W	20485	203.68	3.06	6.50	200.24
88	William F. Hussey	300.00	970W	21264	300.00	4.51		304.51
89	Michael J. Moran	200.00	250 St. M	21356	200.00	2.76		202.76

Funds November 30, 1942

16,678.66

New Funds During Year:

90	Eleanor Thorpe	100.00	683W	21638	100.00	.87		100.87
91	James P. Stevens	250.00	523W	22213	250.00			250.00
92	Emma C. Gooch	300.00	17W	22323	300.00			300.00
93	Harriet Morrill	100.00	683W	22322	100.00			100.00

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\$16,472.79

\$17,428.66

\$312.64

\$241.14

\$17,500.16

(Exh. A)

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

I herewith submit my report for the fiscal year ending November 30th, 1943, as required by the City Charter.

1943 Taxes

Commitment:

Real Estate:

Resident	\$364,062.17	
Non-resident	170,633.32	
Supplemental	185.55	
	<hr/>	
Total		\$534,881.04

Personal:

Resident	\$32,397.69	
Non-resident	63,555.72	
Supplemental	95.03	
	<hr/>	
Total		96,048.44

Polls	\$14,913.00	
Supplemental	393.00	
	<hr/>	
Total		15,306.00

Total committed to me	\$646,235.48
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CREDITS

Real Estate:

Cash collections	\$477,654.64	
Abatement, Pepperell	15,042.20	
Abatements, general	942.51	
Uncollected November 30, 1943	41,241.69	
	<hr/>	
Total		\$534,881.04

Personal :

Cash collections	\$76,861.36	
Abatement, Pepperell	15,042.19	
Abatements, general	116.89	
Uncollected November 30, 1943	4,028.00	
Total		96,048.44

Polls :

Cash collections	\$8,802.00	
Abatements	6.00	
Uncollected November 30, 1943	6,498.00	
Total		15,306.00
Total accounted for		\$646,235.48

SUMMARY

Commitment	\$646,235.48
Cash collections	\$563,318.00
Abatements	31,149.79
Uncollected November 30, 1943	51,767.69
	<u>\$646,235.48</u>

EXCISE TAX

Collected and remitted to treasurer	\$19,245.27
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1942 Taxes

REAL ESTATE TAXES

Uncollected November 30, 1942	\$53,682.87
Cash collections	\$39,225.64
Abatements	4,061.50
Tax liens	10,395.73
Total	<u>\$53,682.87</u>

PERSONAL

Uncollected November 30, 1942	\$5,309.95	
Supplemental	27.90	
Total		\$5,337.85
Cash collections	\$4,430.01	
Abatements	277.78	
Uncollected November 30, 1943	630.06	
Total		\$5,337.85

POLL

Uncollected November 30, 1942	\$8,544.00	
Supplemental	615.00	
Total		\$9,159.00
Cash collections	\$5,904.00	
Abatements	348.00	
Uncollected November 30, 1943	2,907.00	
Total		\$9,159.00

1941 Taxes

	Personal	Polls
Uncollected November 30, 1942	\$1,270.60	\$4,095.00
Supplemental		15.00
Total	\$1,270.60	\$4,110.00
Cash collections	\$ 196.68	\$ 876.00
Abatements	60.05	402.00
Uncollected November 30, 1943	1,013.87	2,832.00
Total	\$1,270.60	\$4,110.00

1940 Taxes

	Personal	Polls
Uncollected November 30, 1942	\$1,580.01	\$4,224.00
Supplemental		12.00
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Total	\$1,580.01	\$4,236.00
Cash collections	\$ 370.30	\$ 864.00
Abatements	66.64	414.00
Uncollected November 30, 1943	1,143.07	2,958.00
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Total	\$1,580.01	\$4,236.00

1939 Taxes

	Personal	Polls
Uncollected November 30, 1942	\$1,595.92	\$4,290.00
Supplemental		6.00
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Total	\$1,595.92	\$4,296.00
Cash collections	\$ 12.00	\$ 960.00
Abatements	53.32	441.00
Uncollected November 30, 1943	1,530.60	2,895.00
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Total	\$1,595.92	\$4,296.00

1938 Taxes

	Personal	Polls
Uncollected November 30, 1942	\$2,086.45	\$4,911.00
Supplemental		3.00
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Total	\$2,086.45	\$4,914.00
Cash collections		\$1,020.00
Abatements	\$ 32.10	480.00
Uncollected November 30, 1943	2,054.35	3,414.00
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Total	\$2,086.45	\$4,914.00

1937 Taxes

	Personal	Polls
Uncollected November 30, 1942	\$1,594.15	\$4,032.00
Supplemental		6.00
Total	\$1,594.15	\$4,038.00
Cash collections	\$ 3.00	\$ 822.00
Abatements	37.80	426.00
Uncollected November 30, 1943	1,553.35	2,790.00
Total	\$1,594.15	\$4,038.00

1936 Taxes

	Personal	Polls
Uncollected November 30, 1942	\$1,939.61	\$3,723.00
Total	\$1,939.61	\$3,723.00
Cash collections		\$ 810.00
Abatements	\$ 163.20	411.00
Uncollected November 30, 1943	1,776.41	2,502.00
Total	\$1,939.61	\$3,723.00

1935 Taxes

	Personal	Polls
Uncollected November 30, 1942	\$2,409.60	\$3,555.00
Total	\$2,409.60	\$3,555.00
Cash collections		\$ 693.00
Abatements	\$ 93.12	360.00
Uncollected November 30, 1943	2,316.48	2,502.00
Total	\$2,409.60	\$3,555.00

Respectfully submitted,

SAUL GAGNE,
Tax Collector.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

November 30, 1943.

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND COUNCIL, CITY OF BIDDEFORD, MAINE.

Gentlemen:

I have the honor to submit to you my third annual report as Superintendent of Schools.

The patriotic character of our schools has been thoroughly demonstrated in this national emergency. No institution arrives at a state of perfection but whatever the weaknesses of our schools may be, indifference to national danger and disloyalty to their government are not to be counted among their shortcomings. As competent evidence of their high patriotism and courage are the sales by teachers and pupils of thousands of dollars in war stamps and bonds, activities in war campaigns, sponsoring of victory gardens, aiding the work of ration boards, collecting scrap, participating in pre-induction courses, and continuing in every way to build the firm intellectual and spiritual foundation of American democracy.

Hundreds of our graduates and former students serving in the armed forces are our most impressive contribution to the war effort. For two years quietly and manfully they have been taking their places in the uniformed ranks. They left unquestioning, uncomplaining, with faith in their hearts and hope on their lips that their country should triumph and its civilization survive.

Proudly it can be said that four of those who ever taught character, courage, honesty and integrity, joined their pupils in the ranks. The four teachers who enlisted are: Neil V. Sullivan, Sylvia Ross, Elizabeth Tufts, and Margaret Soper. They exemplify with distinction the ideals for which the schools stand.

A decrease of approximately one hundred pupils, forty in the elementary and sixty in the high school, occurred this year. The national emergency and the present widespread opportunities for employment have induced many boys and girls to discontinue their education. To combat this problem the Board ordered a rigid enforcement of the attendance laws and the elimination of excusals from school attendance. This has remedied the condition of truancy and greatly relieved the companion problem of child delinquency.

The drop in the school census, from 1936 to 1943 inclusive, accounts for a part of the decrease. This period with per capita State returns:

School Census 1932 to 1943 — With State Returns

Year	Boys	Girls	Total	Increase	Decrease	Per Capita
1932	2,854	2,991	5,845		50	\$3.00
1933	2,819	3,131	5,950	105		2.40
1934	3,047	3,197	6,244	294		2.24
1935	3,163	3,253	6,416	172		2.24
1936	2,905	3,328	6,233		183	2.15
1937	2,846	3,380	6,226		7	2.00
1938	3,011	3,151	6,162		64	1.93
1939	2,985	3,199	6,184	22		1.90
1940	3,058	3,025	6,083		101	1.65
1941	3,002	2,844	5,846		237	1.63
1942	2,891	3,040	5,931	85		1.51
1943	2,864	3,234	6,098	167		Pending

Opportunities for employment are comparable to 1929 and the following enrollment comparison is made:

	1929	1943
Census: Boys	2,838	2,864
Girls	2,909	3,234
Total	5,747	6,098

ENROLLMENT

Biddeford High	309		382
Elementary	1,005		997
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Total	1,314		1,384
St. Andre's	1,170	St. Andre's	1,081
St. Joseph's	1,085	Sacred Heart	257
St. Mary's	288	St. Joseph's	1,012
		St. Louis'	275
		St. Mary's	274
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Total	2,543		2,899
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Grand total	3,857		4,283

The apprentice school of the Saco-Lowell Shops, established in 1930, was forced to suspend operations for the duration. At the time of closing over seventy students had entered the armed services and the remainder, less than twenty-five in number, were being called daily. Because of the training received at the shops, the men have received rapid promotions. The Pepperell training, established in 1938, continues with a normal enrollment as the men are in a higher age-group.

Classes at the Biddeford Evening school continue as formerly but with decreased enrollment. Teachers are: James H. Bradbury, principal, assistants: Anne Stebbins, Emma Gagne.

Beginning in September, salary payments were returned to the plan of 20 payments for the September to June period, each payment being one-twentieth of the total. The former method of 24 payments, covering twelve months, did not permit the proper balancing of the books at the end of the fiscal year.

A ten percent salary increase for those in service beginning September, 1942, effective January 7, 1943, was made to all full time supervisors, principals, and teachers.

Our well rounded program of Physical Education, directed by Steve White, merited the highest praise from Dr. Louis E. Hutto, State Director of Physical Education. High School athletics, under the coaching of Warner Keaney, a graduate of Rhode Island State College, are most successful. Biddeford High School, enrolling fewer boys than any of its opponents, had the only football team in the state playing ten games and the only one earning eight victories.

Miss Doris Flynn, a graduate of New Hampshire University, is doing commendable physical education work in the grades and for the high school girls.

To obtain accurate information regarding the physical well-being of our boys and girls a complete physical examination of all boys and girls in Biddeford High School was voted by the Board. This work is headed by Dr. David E. Dolloff.

Recognizing that books are the most enduring monuments of man's achievement and through them, civilization becomes cumulative, Mr. Dane Yorke of the McArthur Library, throughout the year has aided teachers and pupils in a more vivid acquaintance with the treasures of the library.

In loving memory of her son, Frank Burton Cousens, a graduate of Biddeford High School in the class of 1898, Mrs. Sarah E. Cousens has given to the Board of Education a one thousand dollar bond, the income to be used to sponsor an annual speaking contest for the students of Biddeford High School, to be known as the Frank Burton Cousens memorial speaking contest. The first contest will be held early in 1944. The Board is deeply appreciative of this fine gift.

Teacher shortage compelled the closing for the duration of the Guinea School.

An outstanding improvement was the laying of new cement walks at all entrances to the high school. This work, as well as re-surfacing the floor of the gymnasium, was under the direction of Albert Cadorette, Street Commissioner.

Prizes awarded at the Emery School graduation on June 17 included:

The Board of Education Medal, won by Katherine Gillis.

The Alvan C. Gove Award of five dollars in War Savings Stamps, won by Irving J. Remar.

The award of five dollars given by Mrs. Emma L. Pugsley, won by Lorraine Rita Poissant.

Mayor Louis B. Lausier, Chairman of the Board of Education, presented diplomas to the following:

Emery School Graduates

Donald Lloyd Andrews
Maurice Joseph Austin
Lillian Marie Baker
Rachel Emma Belanger
Arline Rachel Bergeron
Joyce Lorraine Bolduc
Theda Jean Boston
George Napoleon Bouthillette, Jr.
Ovila Joseph Carrier
Jasper Duncan Cochrane
Ernestine Mary Couillard
Peter William Davutakos
Jeanine Marie DuPont
Ruth Doris Emery
Wilfred Dentist Farrar
Mary Marguarite Ferrelli
Gisele Marie Fortin
Raymond Ernest Gagne
Roger Joseph Gaudreau
Eugene Victor Gendron
Minas Themis Gikas
Katherine Gillis
Louis Angello Gomez, Jr.
Gerard Lucien Grassi
Marilyn Ruth Haley
James Clarence Harding
Lester Warren Harding
Mary Agnes Hayes
Dorothy Elizabeth Hayford
Virginia Louise Hooper
Laura Frances Hussey
Melvin Isaac Hussey
Mildred Estelle Hussey
Martin Rufus Kingsbury

Roland Leo Labelle
Roland Frank Lantagne
Shyrlee Gladys Leazer
Constance Claire LeMire
Rene Joseph Ledoux
Beatrice Edna Lowell
Irene Theresa Marcoux
William Walter McCarn
Bertha Frances McKenney
Maurice Wilfred Lariviere
Lois Lorraine Macomber
Shirley Ann McMahan
Irene Marion Morin
James Milton Mouzas
Norman Francis Murphy
Armand Nolette
Theresa Blanche Paradis
Herbert Walter Parsons
Robert Alexander Pettingale
Raymond Charles Petit
Lorraine Rita Poissant
Roland Daniel Ready
George Donald Reggap
Irving J. Remar
Harry Saperia
Max Paul Shatz
Margie Suzanne Souza
Evelyn Jeannette Sweeney
Louis Tardiff
James Throumoulos
Plato Throumoulos
Alden William Turner
Frederick Elwyn Whelan
Robert Edgar Williams

Prizes awarded to members of the graduating class at Biddeford High School on June 18 included:

The Board of Education Medal, won by Frances Elizabeth Irving.

One hundred dollars scholarship loan, given by the Biddeford High School Alumni Association, won by Vincent Stephen Michniewich.

Fremont Club award of ten dollars, won by Frederick Roberts Radcliffe.

Saco-Biddeford B. P. W. Club award of ten dollars, to a girl who had attained the highest rank, won by Frances Elizabeth Irving.

Placques and medals given by the Phillip Tighe Post were won by Anne Josephine Williams and Raymond Alexander Kenneally.

Rensselaer Institute medal, won by Vincent Stephen Michniewich.

Mayor Louis B. Lausier presented diplomas to the following:

Biddeford High School Graduates

Ethel Evelyn Aguiar	Carmella Margaret Mariello
*Jean Theresa Benoit	**Vincent Stephen Michniewich
Robert Donald Bissell	**Jane Elizabeth Morrison
*Muriel Gloria Boucher	*Annette Theresa Mullen
*Felicienne Marie Brault	‡Edward Francis Murphy
Lucille Faye Brochu	William Anthony Murphy
*Calvin Herbert Burleigh	Catherine Ann Neary
*Eileen Mary Center	**Maria Anna Neault
**Charles Chakoumakos	**Cecilia Muriel Pare
Alice Theresa Chenard	Claire May Pariseau
*Rupert Eugene Cole	Theresa Eva Picher
Germaine Corriveau	Laurette Jeanne Poissant
Aline Jeanette Cote	**Lucille Marguerite Poisson
‡George Franklin Day, Jr.	Dominic Poli
Suzanne Gisele DuPont	**Frederick Roberts Radcliffe
Raymond Joseph Duranceau	**Arlene Angeline Ready
Ralph Andrew Eon	*Margaret Renouf
Vincent Paul Farley	Adrienne Florida Rioux
Paul Matthew Fearon	*Sophie Mary Rizas
*Helen Stella Georgarakos	Rachel Louise Romprey
Charles Russell Hamor	*Annette Margaret Roy

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| *Janice Helen Hartley | *Elizabeth Rita Scully |
| Roland Charles Hodge | Gerard Robert Sevigny |
| *Georgette Theresa Houde | Eleanor Margaret Sharkey |
| *Dorothy Fernande Houle | Barbara Pauline Sheehan |
| **Frances Elizabeth Irving | William Rene Sheehan |
| ‡Felix George Jacques | *Laurette Margaret Simard |
| Muriel Fernande Jacques | ‡Nicholas Skinsacos |
| *Eleanor Alice Johnstone | Ethel Bessie Snider |
| **Beatrice Lucille Jollette | William Richard Souza |
| Eleanor Margaret Jones | *Paul Matthew Stebbins |
| Mary Patricia Kelley | Theresa Louise Sullivan |
| Raymond Alexander Kenneally | Richard Edward Sweeney |
| Gerald Eloi LaBranche | *Jeannette Tardiff |
| ‡Christo Ladakakos | Alice Marie Tounge |
| Paul Edward Lanouette | Frances Elaine Whelan |
| Theresa Henrietta Lemire | **Elaine Louise White |
| Alfred Francis Loignon | *Minerva Lillian Wilensky |
| Louise Ann Mackewitz | *Anne Josephine Williams |
| Alexander Mantis | Joseph William Zuke |

** First honors, 90-100.

* Second honors, 85-89.

‡ In U. S. Army or Navy.

In conclusion, all city departments have cooperated most willingly; teachers and pupils are fine soldiers on the home front.

Never in the history of our nation has work in education been more of a challenge. We realize that our country is facing the most severe crisis in its history and education will need to improve much more consistently in the period following the war. For the present there can be no let-down in the maintenance of our schools.

To the members of the Board of Education I extend my sincere thanks, and to all who have in any way, through their confidence and cooperation, assisted me in my duties.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILLIP H. WOODWORTH,
Superintendent of Schools.

SCHOOL REGISTRATION

November 30, 1943

	Emery	Washington Street	Birch Street	Wentworth Street	Bradbury Street	District No. 1	District No. 5	District No. 8	District No. 10	District No. 11	High School	Total, 1943	Total, 1942
Sub-Primary	52			30	26	2	7	2	8	2		129	127
I	31	6		14	3	5	4	2	7	1		73	70
II	30	10		5		3	4	1	7	2		62	81
III	41	18	13			3	3	2	6	2		88	86
IV	31	17	18			3	4	3	11			87	96
V	40	20	17			1	2	3	5	2		90	109
VI	39	19	17			3	3	3	10	3		97	107
VII A	38											38	42
VII B		27										27	28
VII C		29										29	34
VIII	87											87	74
Freshmen											102	102	99
Sophomores											73	73	110
Juniors											78	78	78
Seniors											52	52	78
Post Graduates													
Total	389	146	65	49	29	20	27	16	54	12	305	1112	1219

SCHOOL CALENDAR — 1943-1944**Biddeford Public Schools****FALL TERM:**

(14 wks.)

Schools open

Monday, September 13

Holidays:

York County Teachers' Convention Date pending

Columbus Day Tuesday, October 12

State Teachers' Convention Thurs.-Fri., October 28-29

Armistice Day Thursday, November 11

Thanksgiving Recess Thurs.-Fri., November 25-26

Schools close

Friday, December 17

Vacation 1 Week

WINTER TERM: First Half:

(8 wks.)

Schools open

Monday, December 27

Schools close

Friday, February 18

Vacation 1 Week

WINTER TERM: Second Half:

(7 wks.)

Schools open

Monday, February 28

Holiday:

Good Friday afternoon Friday, April 7

Schools close

Friday, April 14

Vacation 1 Week

SPRING TERM:

(8 wks.)

Schools open

Monday, April 24

Schools close

Friday, June 16

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Financial Statement of December 1, 1942 to November 30, 1943

	Entry Debit	Entry Credit	Debits	Total Charges	City Approp.	Credits	Total Credits	Un-expended Overdraft
Teachers' Salaries			\$ 71,350.67	\$ 71,350.67	\$51,700.00	\$24,663.23	\$ 76,363.23	\$ 5,012.56
Janitor Service			8,562.53	8,562.53	8,300.00	610.33	8,910.33	347.80
Conveyance		\$ 459.90	13,335.47	13,335.47	14,698.42		15,158.32	1,822.85
Fuel	\$2,568.48		6,727.00	9,295.48	10,000.00		10,000.00	704.52
Text Books		1,607.51	533.55	533.55			1,607.51	1,073.96
Reference & Library Books		502.74	206.80	206.80			502.74	295.94
Supplies		106.40	2,637.57	2,637.57	2,566.00	16.30	2,688.70	51.13
Repairs		779.39	1,417.22	1,417.22	1,100.00		1,879.39	462.17
Superintendence		52.00	4,136.35	4,136.35	2,650.00	1,544.00	4,246.00	109.65
Census		196.82	269.68	269.68	300.00		496.82	227.14
Medical Inspection		121.35	56.74	56.74	200.00		321.35	264.61
Apparatus & Equipment		329.49	539.40	539.40	500.00		829.49	290.09
Physical Education			3,398.07	3,398.07	2,500.00	1,200.00	3,700.00	301.93
Insurance		49.77	2,001.58	2,001.58	2,000.00		2,049.77	48.19
Manual Training		49.79	1,403.10	1,403.10	900.00	503.25	1,453.04	49.94
Home Economics		108.50	1,597.13	1,597.13	900.00	500.00	1,508.50	\$88.63
Office Expense		150.00					150.00	150.00
Miscellaneous		85.00	4.00	4.00	50.00		135.00	131.00
Flags		32.59			75.00		107.59	107.59
Evening School		106.84	1,155.80	1,155.80	1,500.00	738.33	2,345.17	1,189.37
Vocational	\$2,568.48	\$4,738.09	\$119,332.66	\$121,901.14	\$99,939.42	\$29,775.44	\$134,452.95	\$12,640.44 \$88.63
			7,192.57	7,192.57	5.00		7,197.57	5.00
Grand Total	\$2,568.48	\$4,738.09	\$126,525.23	\$129,093.71	\$99,944.42	\$29,775.44	\$141,650.52	\$12,645.44 \$88.63

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE MCARTHUR LIBRARY ASSOCIATION :

In October the Library celebrated the 80th anniversary of its founding (in 1863) as a free public library. But that celebration was not in any spirit of aged complacency. The spirit, rather, was that of an institution young in purpose and vigor—an institution dedicated not to the past but to the future. And this report will indicate some of the more important aspects of the Library's forward-looking work.

In common with the national war effort, the Library is now taking thought for a postwar world and the problems of peace. Chief among those problems will be that of an informed citizenry—of a citizenry needing, and having available, accurate and timely information upon which to properly judge all postwar issues and thus avoid the perils and pitfalls of peace. Among the many informative books now pouring from the nation's printing presses the Library is carefully picking, and adding to its stock, those new books most accurate and of the most permanent value. From this point of view the Library's present book-buying has never been more difficult, nor the necessity of maintaining the complete up-to-dateness of its books more important and vital to the city.

The Library Follows The Flag

Significant also, has been the extension of the Library's service and influence far beyond the geographical limits of Biddeford. In the nation's forces, men and women of Biddeford are now stationed in all parts of the known globe—in India as well as in Iceland; in Africa as well as in England, Italy and Australia and the far reaches of the Pacific. To the city and to these distant citizens it is vitally important that the link of memory and understanding between them be steadily maintained—and that it be strengthened in every way possible. Accordingly the Library began

in October, on its 80th birthday, the preparation and free distribution of a special bulletin of Biddeford news designed to help these distant ones realize that they are still a part of Biddeford and very much in the mind and heart of the old home town. Three issues of the bulletin (each one about 1,000 words, or a newspaper column in length) are already in circulation and have been warmly received by the men and women in service as well as by their families and friends at home who use the bulletins to supplement the constant stream of mail from home so essential to the soldier and sailor. Other bulletins will follow at monthly intervals, every one a new proof to the absent ones that no matter how great the time and distance of separation, the home town has not forgotten them.

The City's 90th Anniversary

In 1945 comes the 90th anniversary of Biddeford's incorporation as a city. Looking forward, the Library has already taken steps to signalize that anniversary by bringing up-to-date the city's written history. It is a lamentable fact that the last real history of Biddeford was written in 1830—almost 145 years ago, when the population was about one-tenth what it is today—and that there is thus no written history available covering the great industrial and civic changes which began in Biddeford in 1844 with the founding of the present Pepperell mills. The lack of such a history has been a real handicap to all Biddeford schools in equipping the new generations of Biddeford citizens with knowledge of their own city. Recognizing this great need the Library for several years past has been steadily digging out and assembling historical material on what might be called the "lost years" since 1830. Now the Library has begun the preparation of a new and up-to-date city history. The importance of this work has been recognized in the Library's appropriation during the past two years and it is important that such recognition be continued and increased for the

coming year so that when, in 1945, Biddeford celebrates its 90th anniversary as a city there can be available to each teacher in the Biddeford schools a concise and accurate account of Biddeford history to transmit to the pupils and future citizens in those schools. The history of Biddeford is a proud history. The effect on civic pride of such new knowledge of Biddeford's past will be most beneficial, far reaching and permanent. More than anything else it can make the 90th anniversary a genuine landmark in Biddeford annals.

Financial report for the fiscal year ending November 30th, 1943, is as follows:

RECEIPTS

From City of Biddeford	\$6,500.00
From State of Maine	200.00
	—————\$6,700.00

EXPENDITURES

Books:

For adult recreation & education, Americanism, schools & industrial training	\$ 754.55
Bought from State funds	200.00
Magazines and newspapers	175.20
Binding and book repair	128.29
Salaries	3,949.05
Clerical and historical research	870.92
Supplies	110.15
Telephone	34.26
Light and power	310.09
Heat	167.49
	—————\$6,700.00

Librarian's Petty Cash Account

RECEIPTS

Fines collected	\$282.26
For lost or damaged books	9.79
Deposits by non-residents	46.00
Service charges—non-resident	13.50
Miscellaneous	19.79
Balance on hand, November 30, 1942	33.14
	\$404.48

EXPENDITURES

Books, magazines, newspapers	\$104.56
Deposits refunded	26.65
Postage	34.10
Express and parcel post	3.23
Supplies	79.81
Equipment and repairs	27.99
Labor	72.21
Miscellaneous	35.26
Balance on hand, November 30, 1943	20.67
	\$404.48

Submitted,

DANE YORKE,
Librarian.

November 30, 1943.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF CITY CLERK

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY
COUNCIL:

The following is a financial report of the various departments under the supervision of the City Clerk:

Account	Appropriation	Credits	Expenditures	Unexpended Balance
City Building	\$ 100.00	\$11,041.00	\$ 9,502.13	\$1,638.87
Election Expense	3,000.00	9.00	2,089.26	919.74
General Expense	7,000.00	541.85	6,674.04	867.81
Salaries	19,260.00	87.45	18,384.80	962.65
Hydrant Rental	23,100.00		23,034.48	65.52
Garbage Collection	2,500.00		2,499.12	.88
Street Lights	25,000.00		24,639.22	360.78
Parks	100.00		100.00	
Woodlawn Cemetery	725.00	370.00	806.75	288.25

Respectfully submitted,

ARMAND DUQUETTE,
City Clerk.

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF POLICE COMMISSIONERS.

Gentlemen:

The annual report for the year ending November 30, 1943, is submitted to you in accordance with the City Charter. Herein will be found a statement and summary of the activities of the police department this year.

I wish to call to the attention of the Board of Police Commissioners that the activities of the police force have been greatly increased due to the existing present conditions, the increase of the population of our city and the very important work of the police in the enforcement of the Civilian Defense regulations, but not withstanding these extra duties of the department, the life and property of the citizens of Biddeford are well protected.

Credits

The appropriation by the City Council for the year ending November 30, 1943, was	\$26,000.00
Credits from the County of York	723.00
Miscellaneous credits	795.97
Total appropriation	\$27,518.97

Expenditures

Salaries	\$20,615.18
Gas and oil	250.26
Supplies	81.92
Telephone	991.26
Lights	24.72
Repair on equipment	145.32
New equipment	845.13
Miscellaneous	108.28
Ice	55.00
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Total expenditures	\$23,117.07
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Balance unexpended	\$4,401.90

**Number and Nature of Cases Prosecuted in the
Municipal Court Are As Follows:**

Assault and battery	12
Assault upon an officer	6
Arson	4
Assault	7
Speeding	5
Drunken driving	10
Improper registration	2
Driving without a license	9
Non-support	4
Intoxication	345
Juvenile delinquencies	1
Intoxication and disturbing the peace	9
Larceny	6
Indecent exposure	1
Neglect of children	2
Idle and disorderly persons	2
Leaving the scene of an accident	3
Malicious mischief	5
Forgery	1
Vagrancy	2

Traffic violations	2
Breaking, entering and larceny	10
Taking a car without consent of owner	10
Larceny of an automobile	1
Rape	1
Sodomy	1
Lascivious in speech and behavior	1
Fraud	5
Violation of health law	1
Violation of the milk law	1
Trespassing	2
Operating a steam boiler without a license	1
Carrying a concealed weapon	1
Armed robbery	1
Attempted breaking and entering	1
Intent to rob	1
Receiving stolen goods	2
Moving a building without a permit	1
Fornication	1
Truancy	3
Pulling a false alarm on a fire box	2
Giving intoxicating liquor to a minor	1
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Total number of arrests and prosecutions	486

**Other Cases and Emergencies Taken Care of by the
Police Department:**

Lodgers taken care of at police station	389
Funerals escorted by officers	68
Store doors left unlocked at night	86
Store windows left unlocked at night	10
Local stolen cars	42
Local stolen cars recovered	42
Out-of-town cars reported stolen	9
Out-of-town cars recovered	4
Stolen bicycles reported	67

Stolen bicycles recovered	55
Light left burning at night in stores and offices	69
Sick persons or injured taken to hospital, home or to the doctor's office by police car	60
Merchandise left outside and taken to station by the cruising car	2
Insane cases	8
Gasoline pumps found unlocked at night	4
Breaks reported to police	36
Persons reported missing	67
Attempted breaks reported to police station	11
Persons apprehended for other departments	7
Children returned home from out-of-town	2
Calls made to notify relatives of sickness or death	27
Sudden deaths on street	1
Drownings	4
Accidental deaths	2
Automobile accidents from December 1, 1942, to No- vember 30, 1943, reported to the station	295
Death caused by automobile accident	1
Larceny reported	67
Other minor complaints attended to by officers	203
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Total	1,638

The department has returned to the citizens of Biddeford and others, upon their own valuation, property either stolen or lost valued at \$9,865.67, for which receipt was taken.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the good work done by the police officers throughout the year and also the Police Commissioners for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT E. PARE,
Chief of Police.

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

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

Gentlemen:

In compliance with the City Charter, I herewith submit the Annual Report of the Fire Department from December 1, 1942, to November 30, 1943.

Organization

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

Permanent Force

Chief Engineer, 1st Assistant Engineer, 2nd Assistant Engineer, 1 Lieutenant, 1 Engineman assigned to Engine No. 1 and Engine No. 2, 1 Chauffeur, 1 Tillerman assigned to Ladder No. 1, 1 Chauffeur for Hose No. 2, 1 Reliefman for Hose No. 2, 1 Hoseman assigned to Hose No. 2.

Call Force

Three Captains assigned to Engine No. 1, Engine No. 2, and Ladder No. 1, Three Company Clerks, 20 Hosemen assigned to Engine No. 1, and Engine No. 2, 9 Laddermen assigned to Ladder No. 1, 1 Steam Engineer assigned to Engine No. 3, 2 Call Firemen at Biddeford Pool Fire Station.

Apparatus

Engine No. 1, Aherns-Fox, 700 gallons per minute, booster hose and pumper.

Engine No. 2, Aherns-Fox, 1,000 gallons per minute, booster hose and pumper.

Ladder No. 1, Aherns-Fox, 75-foot Aerial Ladder, pipe used as water tower, 1 inhalator and equipment, life net (rope) and 1 army stretcher.

1 Hose Truck, combination Hose No. 2, hose and booster (Chevrolet).

1 G. M. C Truck, with a 500 gallons per minute capacity. Skid Pump and deck gun.

1 Steam Engine, No. 3, 700 gallons per minute capacity.

1 Portable Forest pump, capacity per minute 102 gallons.

1 Portable Forest pump, capacity per minute 65 gallons.

Hose

There are 400 feet of 1-inch rubber hose distributed as follows: Engine No. 1, 200 feet of booster hose; Engine No. 2, 200 feet booster hose; Hose Truck No. 2, 400 feet of $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch booster hose.

There is on hand at the fire headquarters at the present time, 9,000 feet of $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch rubber-line double-jacket fire hose; 3,000 feet of $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch rubber-line double-jacket fire hose, for forest fire work. The amount of fire hose distributed outside the city limits: City Homestead, 500 feet of $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch fire hose; Biddeford Pool fire station, 500 feet of $2\frac{1}{2}$ -inch fire hose.

Chemical Pony Tanks

There are 6 three-gallon pony tanks distributed on the fire apparatus as follows: Engine No. 1, 2 foam type, Engine No. 2, 1 soda and acid type, 1 foam type; Ladder No. 1, 2 soda and acid type. In reserve, 4 soda and acid type extinguishers.

Four Pyrene type extinguishers on apparatus: Engine No. 1, 1 Pyrene type; Engine No. 2, 1 Pyrene type; Ladder No. 1, 1 Pyrene type; Hose No. 2, 1 Pyrene type.

Fire Alarm System

The fire alarm system at the present time is in good working order.

Equipment Bought

- 40 firemen's rubber coats.
- 1 outside case with quick-action door fire alarm box.
- 1 radiator core for Chevrolet.
- 1 cylinder head for Chevrolet.
- 1 Exide battery for Engine No. 1.

Government Equipment in Fire Station

- 1 500-gallon capacity skid pump.
- 2 3½-inch hard suction.
- 1 24-foot extension ladder.
- 1 14-foot roof ladder.
- 2 axes.
- 2 pike poles.
- 2 claw tools.
- 2 shovels.
- 10 firemen's pants.
- 10 firemen's coats.
- 4 pump tank extinguisher.
- 5 firemen's helmets.
- 5 gas masks.
- 400 feet of 2½-inch rubber line single-jacket hose.
- 200 feet of 1½-inch rubber line single-jacket hose.

Repairs on Truck

- Install 1 new radiator core in Chevrolet.
- Install 1 new cylinder head in Chevrolet.
- 1 new Exide battery in Engine No. 1.
- Put in all new valves and spring in Engine No. 1 pump.
- 1 new clutch for Chevrolet.

Repairs on Building

Two side walls were torn down for a distance of about 14 feet each and about 17 feet on the front wall and relaid. 75,000 bricks were removed and relaid. 2 new skylights were installed to replace the one rotted out. 6 lally columns have been placed from the first floor to the beams under

the second floor, thereby taking some of the load and tending to prevent any motion. All cracks and broken places in plastering on the inside wall in the fire station have been patched, and the walls are smooth once again. Two new windows were put in for ventilation in the attic which was badly needed.

Metal flashing was placed to keep the rain and snow out and the backing bricks from deteriorating.

A large section of the roof also was repaired, being covered with a new coat of tar and gravel.

Activities of the Fire Department During the Year

Telephone calls	339
Box alarms	52
Still alarms	11
False alarms	6
Automatic sprinkler alarms	4
Calls for inhalator	4
Special calls to unlock doors, open windows, take cats down from trees and poles	46
Calls for assistance at fires:	
North Kennebunkport	10
Cover-up at Saco fire station	10
Old Orchard Beach	1
Goodwin's Mills	1
Goose Rocks	1
Kennebunkport	2
Wells	1
Number of times apparatus responded to air raid test	22
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Total	510
Number of hose lines laid at fires	62
Number of feet of 2½-inch hose laid at fires	19,350
Number of feet of 1½-inch hose laid at fires	3,400
Number of feet of ladder raised at fires	2,798

Number of hours of engine work at fires	17¾
Number of pony tanks used at fires	8
Number of Pyrene extinguishers used at gasoline and grease fires	18
Number of times booster used at fires	244

Fire Losses

From December 1, 1942, To November 30, 1943

Value of buildings	\$480,310.80
Value of contents	245,132.08
Total	<hr/> \$725,442.88

INSURANCE

Insurance on buildings	\$312,075.00
Insurance on contents	137,850.00
Total	<hr/> \$449,925.00

INSURANCE LOSSES

Insurance loss on buildings	\$40,714.34
Insurance loss on contents	24,823.77
Total	<hr/> \$65,538.11

LOSSES INSURED AND UNINSURED

Loss on buildings	\$42,278.34
Loss on contents	37,426.77
Total losses, on both in city and outside city limits	<hr/> \$79,705.11

Fire Outside City Limits

Value of buildings	\$28,150.00
Value of contents	2,150.00
Total	<hr/> \$30,300.00

INSURANCE

Insurance on buildings	\$15,700.00
Insurance on contents	1,200.00
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Total	\$16,900.00

INSURANCE LOSSES

Insurance loss on buildings	\$2,701.31
Insurance loss on contents	950.00
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Total	\$3,651.31

LOSSES INSURED AND UNINSURED

Losses on buildings	\$3,151.31
Losses on contents	1,400.00
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Total	\$4,551.31

Total fire loss in city and outside city limits \$79,705.11

Total fire loss outside city limits 4,551.31

Fire losses in city proper \$75,125.80

Expenditures

Salaries	\$24,066.44
Gas, light and power	236.07
Telephone	130.64
Water	63.76
Coal	713.38
Gasoline and oil	187.25
Office supplies	32.05
Fire alarm system	95.53
Equipment	394.92
Truck repair	431.54
Building repair	7,193.10
Paint on building	15.30

Janitor supplies	83.91
Postal, freight, express	13.56
Insurance on building and truck	386.65
Painting equipment	8.40
General supplies	69.18
Repair equipment	26.00
Ice	25.00
Lunch at fires	3.16
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Total	\$34,175.84
Appropriation	\$34,000.00
Credits	798.59
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Total	\$34,798.59
Balance unexpended	\$622.75

FRANK CANTARA,
Acting Chief.

WELFARE DEPARTMENT

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

Gentlemen:

In the following Annual Report is an itemized statement of the expenditures of the Welfare Department for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1943.

The following statement I respectfully submit:

Groceries	\$5,052.91
Oil	664.04
Delivering and sawing wood	116.77
Shoes and clothing	66.70
Doctor and medicines	500.32
Hospital	968.90
Ambulance and burials	220.00
Board and care	894.76
Monthly allowance	472.00
Rents	517.45
Telephone	91.70
State children	6,428.42
Sanatorium	515.70
Office supplies	29.65
Clerk	1,020.60
Biddeford, out-of-town	78.73
Transportation	97.00
Miscellaneous	10.74
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Total	\$17,746.39
Total expenses, out-of-town	539.64
Total expenses, State	1,112.13
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Total expenses	\$19,398.16

Appropriation	\$35,000.00
Credits	1,817.01
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Total	\$36,817.01
Expenditures	19,398.16
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Balance	\$17,418.85

Aid to Dependent Children

Appropriation	\$5,200.00
Expenditures	3,921.99
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Balance	\$1,278.01

Insane

EXPENDITURES

Commitments	\$778.51
Board of patients at State Hospital	627.31
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Total	\$1,405.82
Appropriation	\$1,400.00
Credits	389.26
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	\$1,789.26
Expenditures	1,405.82
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Balance	\$383.44

Credits from Out-of-town and State Due the City of Biddeford

Van Buren, Maine	\$ 5.25
Hudson, Maine	56.65
State of Maine	133.13
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Total	\$195.03

Dress Factory

Amount of clothing on hand December 1, 1942	3,060
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Gave the following articles to those in need :

Dresses	83	
Underwear	67	
Slips	98	
Snow suits	2	
Shirts	91	
Trousers	102	
Dungarees	25	
Play suits	15	
Layettes	7	
Jackets	21	
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Total		511
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		2,549

Respectfully submitted

DELVINA MATHURIN,
Clerk, Overseers of the Poor.

THE HOMESTEAD

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL:

I respectfully submit the following report for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1943.

Products Raised at The Homestead

Potatoes	175 bu.	Beets	75 bu.
String Beans	43 bu.	Cucumbers	65 bu.
Kidney & White Beans	55 bu.	Corn	385 doz.
Tomatoes	38 bu.	Cabbages	315 lbs.
Turnips	48 bu.	Hay	65 tons
Carrots	63 bu.	Onions	500 lbs.

Stock at The Homestead, November 30, 1943

3 Horses	6 Cows
3 Hogs	75 Hens

Number of Inmates at The Homestead

December, 1942	22	June, 1943	18
January, 1943	18	July, 1943	18
February, 1943	18	August, 1943	17
March, 1943	17	September, 1943	16
April, 1943	18	October, 1943	17
May, 1943	18	November, 1943	18

Farm Implements

1 Sulky Plow	1 Mowing Machine
1 Manure Spreader	1 Single Horse Harness
1 Spring Harrow	1 Double Horse Harness
1 Corn Planter	1 Double Working Sled
1 Horse Rake	1 Double Working Wagon
1 Single Hayrack	1 Dump Wagon
1 Double Hayrack	2 Cultivators
2 Hitching Falls	1 Weeder
1 Platform Scale	1 Horse Hoe
2 Horse Hoes	1 Disk Harrow
1 Market Wagon	1 Work Rack

Furniture

32 Beds	1 Ice Chest
70 Chairs	1 Barber Chair
1 Clock	1 Set of Dishes
1 Electric Washing Machine	6 Tables
2 Kitchen Stoves	1 Electric Refrigerator

Products on Hand, November 30, 1943

Potatoes	78 bu.	Cucumbers (Salted and	
Kidney & White Beans	46 bu.	Pickles)	35 bu.
Turnips	40 bu.	Hay	50 tons
Beets	55 bu.	Onions	210 lbs.

Expenditures

Groceries	\$1,996.03
Bread	283.34
Clothing	60.52
Doctor care and medicine	107.99
Tobacco	117.12
Soft coal	452.40
Nut coke	99.50
Range oil	87.45
Water	78.48
Lights	116.19
Barber	37.10
Feeds	897.30
House supplies	132.35
Barn supplies	175.46
Telephone	40.11
Disinfectant	64.72
Fire insurance	259.60
Shoes repaired	7.90
Blacksmith	11.00
Salaries	1,251.40
Repair of farm implements	8.25
Planting, seeds, fertilizers and lead	265.11
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Expenses Per Month

December, 1942	\$490.69
January, 1943	578.31
February, 1943	434.53
March, 1943	612.33
April, 1943	571.14
May, 1943	591.10
June, 1943	523.85
July, 1943	600.06
August, 1943	477.89
September, 1943	603.83
October, 1943	493.79
November, 1943	571.80
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Financial Statement

Appropriation	\$6,700.00
Cash credit	487.19
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Total expenditures	6,549.32
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Balance unexpended	\$637.87

I have delivered 960 quarts of milk to families receiving aid from Welfare Department from November 30, 1942, to the end of the fiscal year.

During the year, the following necessary repairs and improvements were made: Repaired the boiler and the steam main pipe, and have put in new flooring in the barn and have 15 acres ready for tillage.

Respectfully submitted,

ANTOINE A. PETIT,
Superintendent.

REPORT OF STREET DEPARTMENT

HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

I herewith submit my report of the activities of the Street Department for the fiscal year 1943.

The following streets and roads were graded:

Clark Avenue, Round Hill Street, Extension of Granite Street, Dearborn Avenue, Westland Avenue, Liberty Avenue, Victory Avenue, Dupont Street, Janelle Street, Cole Road, Buzzell Road, Goodwin's Mills Road, Mountain Road, Proctor Road, River Road, Guinea Road, Newtown Road, and State Street.

Bushes were cut and ditches cleaned on the following streets and roads:

Elm Street, Granite Street, West Street, South Street, Pool Road, Fortune's Rocks, Oak Ridge Road, Newtown Road, Guinea Road, Goodwin's Mills Road, River Road, Buzzell Road, Alfred Road, Mountain Road, and Cole Road.

The streets of the city have been swept every week during the summer months and sewer pockets cleaned at regular intervals.

Gravel has been screened at the city gravel pit and was used to mix asphalt for street patching and for asphalt sidewalks and roadwork. This gravel was also used to spread on tar-treated streets. The City Shed on Birch Street has been filled with sand mixed with rock salt to be used during the winter on slippery streets and sidewalks.

The following streets were treated with two applications of tar.

Third Class Road—3 miles, Prospect Street, Hill Street, Atlantic Avenue, Clark Avenue, Pool Street, Pine Street, Graham Street, Birch Street, Summer Street.

Sidewalks were laid on St. Mary's Street, South Street, Clifford Street, Graham Street, May Street, Alfred Street. A concrete sidewalk was built at the High School. There was 261 feet of concrete curb removed and replaced, 1,997 feet of granite curb reset and 2,008 square yards of concrete sidewalk laid.

Sewers were repaired and new pockets and manholes were installed on Granite Street, Harding Street, and Harvey Street.

The bridges on Buzzell Road, Newtown Road, Beachwood Road and Wadlin Road were repaired and new surfaces laid.

A new sewer was constructed on Graham Street, this sewer is 325 feet long and the pipe is 24" in diameter.

Report of Expenditures

Highway District No. 4

Labor	\$55,736.57
Gas and oil	1,628.92
Telephone, water and light	428.44
Repairs of equipment	1,214.81
Tools and material	1,160.58
Rental of equipment	550.00
Lumber and cement	3,173.42
Coal	234.69
Gravel	365.55
Hardware	37.30
New equipment	1,012.40
Insurance	538.08
Engineer and survey	1,393.99
Miscellaneous	154.80
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Total	\$67,629.55

Waste Collection

Labor	\$12,617.67
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Sewers and Drains

Labor	\$686.15
Equipment	164.78
Sewer pipe and manhole covers	908.83
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Total	\$1,759.76

Resurfacing

Tar	\$7,503.58
Gravel	195.75
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Total	\$7,699.33

Snow Removal

Labor	\$5,079.19
Material	177.37
Repairs	156.75
Hired plow	133.50
Miscellaneous	3.70
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Total	\$5,550.51

Bridges

Labor	\$131.92
Material	159.35
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Total	\$291.27

Browntailed Moths

Labor	\$731.69
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ALBERT CADORETTE,
Street Commissioner.

REPORT OF THE BUILDING INSPECTOR

November 30, 1943.

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY
COUNCIL:

The total number of building permits issued during the
fiscal year 1943 was one hundred.

Respectfully yours,

THOMAS BLANCHETTE,
Building Inspector.

CIVILIAN DEFENSE

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

I respectfully submit the report of the activities of the Air Raid Wardens for the year ending November 30, 1943.

The Civilian Defense organizations have continued to function and while there has been some decrease in personnel, the service has improved due to better organization, experience and increased individual efficiency.

Last winter refresher courses were given to the older wardens and a beginner's course for those recently brought into the organization.

Starting in January, drills with incidents simulating actual conditions were conducted monthly. The first daylight drill revealed the necessity of actual workouts in reporting and handling fires, casualties, unexploded bombs, fallen poles and wire and blocked streets, both in the Report Center as well as by the Wardens, and the other branches of civilian defense.

Subsequent drills involving units from every sector in the city have produced a corps now ready to cope with any situation, within their capacity.

Last May the organization was decidedly improved by dividing the city proper into four zones of ten sectors each, with a head warden for each zone.

These Wardens, Messrs. L. Daignault, J. Gaudette, E. Gauthier and C. Hayden, assist the planning committee, consisting of Chief Air Raid Warden Drapeau, Hugh Caldwell and R. M. Jones, in planning the work of the wardens and then seeing that these plans are executed in the zone for which they are responsible.

Up to November 1, 1943, when the order was rescinded, one of the hardest assignments of the Air Raid Warden's duties was to maintain the dim-out. However, by constant and unceasing work, the service was able to so instruct the

citizens that the City of Biddeford was commended for the excellent dim-out maintained.

With the relaxing of restrictions and improbabilities of actual full scale air raids, other activities have been planned. The Air Raid Wardens now are organized to assist the Fire Department whenever necessary and will report on all general alarms for fires or other catastrophes.

At the same time, the 24-hour watch has been maintained in the Report Center, a tiresome, thankless task for the men and women watchers to whom the citizens of Biddeford should be extremely grateful.

E. H. DRAPEAU,
Chief Air Raid Warden.

CIVILIAN DEFENSE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE

TO THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY GOVERNMENT OF
BIDDEFORD:

The Emergency Medical Service has performed its duty throughout the year by taking part in every drill ordered by authority.

We have on hand all the material advised by the Office of Civilian Defense. This is stored at St. Andre's basement, St. Joseph's Hall and in the Webber Hospital.

Every Doctor of Medicine in town is in this service. Dorothy C. Bourgoïn, R. N., is Local Nurse Deputy and reports 17 Nurses on call, 35 Nurses' Aides. There are 16 stretcher bearers, 8 first aid men, six ambulances with drivers, 10 clerks and auxiliary helpers. One Motor Corps. Two Casualty Stations. Six cots and ten stretchers in each station.

Satisfactory arrangements have been made for ambulance transportation. A mortuary service has been planned.

We express our deep gratitude to all who have helped.

We are ready.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID E. DOLLOFF, M. D.

Local Chief, Emergency Medical Service.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF VOTERS

Total Number of Voters

	Men	Women	Total
Ward 1	301	291	592
Ward 2	869	834	1,703
Ward 3	722	608	1,330
Ward 4	787	708	1,495
Ward 5	802	801	1,603
Ward 6	291	252	543
Ward 7	1,020	1,024	2,044
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Total	4,792	4,518	9,310

Democratic Enrollments

	Men	Women	Total
Ward 1	172	144	316
Ward 2	598	570	1,168
Ward 3	462	343	805
Ward 4	544	430	974
Ward 5	483	428	911
Ward 6	190	168	358
Ward 7	549	514	1,063
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Total	2,998	2,597	5,595

Republican Enrollments

	Men	Women	Total
Ward 1	75	75	150
Ward 2	106	66	172
Ward 3	104	71	175
Ward 4	91	61	152
Ward 5	133	107	240
Ward 6	49	27	76
Ward 7	211	135	346
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Total	769	542	1,311

New registrations:

Session of December, 1942	69
Session of December, 1943	487
Change of name by marriage	106

Stricken from voting list:

Because of death	109
Registered out of town	68

Total number of transactions 839

We extend our sincere thanks to the Mayor and City Officials for their cooperation.

ULDERIC F. COTE, *Chairman*,
 JOSEPH F. CURTIS,
 JEROME A. MORIN,
Members, Board of Registration of Voters.

MAYORS OF BIDDEFORD SINCE 1855

1855-56	Daniel E. Somes, Republican
1857	James Andrews, Republican
1858-59	Cyrus Gordon, Democrat
1860	Jonathan Tuck, Democrat
1860	Esreff H. Banks, Republican, unexpired term of Jonathan Tuck
1861-62	Seth S. Fairfield, Democrat
1863-64	John Q. Adams, Democrat
1865-66	Charles A. Shaw, Democrat
1867-68	Ferguson Haines, Democrat
1869	James R. Clark, Democrat
1870-71	E. W. Wedgewood, Democrat
1872	Francis G. Warren, Democrat
1873	James H. McMullan, Republican
1874-75	Francis G. Warren, Democrat
1876	John H. Burnham, Democrat
1877	Alfred Pierce, Republican
1878	Charles M. Moses, Republican
1879	James A. Strout, Democrat
1880	Charles M. Moses, Republican
1881-82	Elisha E. Clark, Republican
1883-85	E. W. Staples, Democrat
1886-87	Samuel F. Parcher, Democrat
1888-89	C. E. Goodwin, Democrat
1890-93	E. W. Staples, Democrat
1894-95	Charles S. Hamilton, Republican
1896-97	Carlos Heard, Citizen and Democrat
1898-99	Levi W. Stone, Citizen and Republican
1900-1	Nathaniel B. Walker, Citizen, Democrat and Re- publican
1902-3	Joseph Gooch, Citizen, Republican and Democrat
1904-5	Nathaniel B. Walker, Citizen and Republican
1906-7	Gilman P. Littlefield, Citizen and Republican
1908-9	Cornelius Horigan, Democrat and Independent
1910-12	Albert O. Marcille, Democrat and Independent

1913-15	James G. C. Smith, Democrat and Independent
1916	Leopold A. Girard, Democrat and Independent
1917-19	Hartley C. Banks, Democrat and Independent
1920	Thomas F. Locke, Democrat and Independent
1921	Ulysses E. Fosdick, Republican and Citizen
1922-25	Edward H. Drapeau, Democrat and Independent
1926-29	George C. Precourt, Progressive and Republican
1930-31	Cornelius Horigan, Democrat and Independent
1932-33	Jerome A. Morin, Republican and Progressive
1934	George E. Beauchesne, Progressive
1935-36	Arthur J. Remillard, Democrat
1936-37	Frederick H. Mitchell, Democrat
1937-40	Wilfred Landry, Democrat
1941-43	Louis B. Lausier, Democrat



CITY CLERKS OF BIDDEFORD SINCE 1855

1855-57	Levi Loring, Jr.
1857-59	Frederick D. Edgerly
1860	George H. Knowlton
1861-69	Frédéric D. Edgerly
1870-72	John A. Staples
1873-74	Cyrus P. Berry
1875-76	Samuel Tripp
1877-78	Cyrus P. Berry
1879	Frank W. Roberts
1880-82	Charles H. Parcher
1883-93	Edgar A. Hubbard
1894-95	Charles E. Pillsbury
1896-97	William P. Freeman
1898-99	Dennis Murphy
1900-3	Dayton T. Moore
1904-6	Daniel H. B. Hooper
1907-9	Albert O. Marcille
1910-17	Thomas F. Locke
1918-21	Edmond Bergeron
1922	Ernest Petit
1923-25	Arthur H. Hevey
1926-29	Alfred Lantagne
1930-31	Joseph J. Salvas
1932-34	Joseph O. LaCourse
1935-43	Armand Duquette

STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

Year Ended November 30, 1943

	CREDITS				CHARGES		BALANCES				
	From 1941-42 Yr.	Departmental Appropriations	Receipts	Other	Total	Dis- bursements	Other	LAPSED Overdraft	Unexpended	To 1943-44 Year Appropriation Accounts	Others
General Government:											
City Building	\$	100.00	\$10,816.00	\$	225.00	\$	11,141.00	\$	9,502.13		\$ 1,638.87
Contingent		21,000.00	1,795.58				22,795.58		9,929.27	\$ 7,394.51	5,471.80
Election Expense		3,000.00	9.00				3,009.00		2,089.26		919.74
General Expense		7,000.00	397.25	144.60			7,541.85		6,674.04		867.81
Salaries		19,260.00	87.45				19,347.45		18,384.80		962.65
		50,360.00	13,105.28	369.60			63,834.88		46,579.50	7,394.51	9,860.87
Protection:											
Fire Department		34,000.00	298.59	500.00			34,798.59		34,175.84		622.75
Police Department		26,000.00	1,518.97				27,518.97		23,117.07		4,401.90
Hydrant Rental		23,100.00					23,100.00		23,034.48		65.52
		83,100.00	1,817.56	500.00			85,417.56		80,327.39		5,090.17
Health and Sanitation:											
Health Department		800.00					800.00		33.90		766.10
Sewers and Drains		2,000.00	175.00				2,175.00		1,759.76		415.24
Garbage Collection		2,500.00					2,500.00		2,499.12		.88
Garbage Collection—Biddeford Pool		300.00					300.00				300.00
Waste Collection		12,000.00					12,000.00		12,617.67	\$ 617.67	
		17,600.00	175.00				17,775.00		16,910.45	617.67	1,482.22
Highways and Bridges:											
Highway District No. 4		45,000.00	1,718.44				46,718.44		67,629.55	20,911.11	
Bridges		700.00					700.00		291.27		408.73
Fortune's Rock District		325.00					325.00		303.65		21.35
Newtown Road District		325.00					325.00		423.50	98.50	
Oak Ridge District		220.00					220.00		240.49	20.49	
Pool Road District		220.00					220.00		204.79		15.21
Pool District		250.00					250.00		172.74		77.26
Resurfacing Streets		7,700.00					7,700.00		7,699.33		.67
Sidewalks		250.00					250.00				250.00
Snow Removal		7,700.00	716.35	174.80			8,591.15		5,550.51	174.80	2,865.84
Snow Removal Contract		2,500.00					2,500.00				2,500.00
Ward Seven—North		330.00					330.00		307.11		22.89
Ward Seven—West		500.00					500.00		324.73		175.27
Ward Seven—East (1st Section)		150.00					150.00		81.86		68.14
Ward Seven—East (2nd Section)		250.00					250.00		148.30		101.70
State Aid Road		3,996.70					3,996.70				\$ 3,996.70
Highway Patrol		851.70					851.70		851.70		
Street Lights		25,000.00					25,000.00		24,639.22		360.78
Brownail Moths		1,000.00	114.41				1,114.41		731.69		382.72
Pool, Jefferson, Franklin and Federal Streets				2,043.75			2,043.75		2,043.75		
		97,268.40	2,549.20	2,218.55			102,036.15		111,644.19	174.80	21,030.10
										7,250.56	3,996.70
Charities and Corrections:											
Welfare Department		35,000.00	263.50				35,263.50		17,746.39		17,517.11
Welfare—State Cases			1,014.12	133.13			1,147.25		1,112.13		35.12
Welfare—Out of Town Cases			539.39	5.25			544.64		539.64		5.00
Homestead		6,700.00	487.19				7,187.19		6,549.32		637.87
Mothers' Aid		5,200.00					5,200.00		3,921.99		1,278.01
Insane		1,400.00	389.26	56.65			1,845.91		1,405.82		440.09
		48,300.00	2,693.46	195.03			51,188.49		31,275.29		19,913.20
Education:											
Schools	\$2,169.61	99,939.42	24,924.68	4,850.76			131,884.47		119,332.66		12,551.81
Vocational Training		5.00	7,192.57				7,197.57		7,192.57		5.00
Truant Officer		983.00					983.00		982.50		.50
	2,169.61	100,927.42	32,117.25	4,850.76			140,065.04		127,507.73		5.50
										12,551.81	
Library:											
McArthur Library		6,500.00	200.00				6,700.00		6,700.00		
Recreation:											
Parks		100.00					100.00		100.00		
Unclassified:											
Tax Abatements—Pepperell Mfg. Co.		30,084.39					30,084.39		30,084.39		
Tax Abatements—General		4,900.00					4,900.00		5,126.90	226.90	
Dog Licenses and Refunds			218.94				218.94		736.45	517.51	
Bank Stock Tax			1,830.42				1,830.42				1,830.42
Railroad and Telegraph Tax			277.11				277.11				277.11
		34,984.39	2,326.47				37,310.86		736.45	35,211.29	744.41
										2,107.53	
Cemeteries:											
Woodlawn		725.00	370.00				1,095.00		806.75		288.25
Interest:											
General		18,300.00	326.66	571.45			19,198.11		17,687.50		1,510.61
On Trust Funds			241.14				241.14		239.98		1.16
		18,300.00	567.80	571.45			19,439.25		17,927.48		1,511.77
Municipal Indebtedness:											
Payment on Bonds		37,500.00					37,500.00		37,500.00		
Sinking Fund		10,000.00					10,000.00		10,000.00		
		47,500.00					47,500.00		47,500.00		
Special Assessments:											
State Tax		108,897.00					108,897.00		21,177.37		\$ 87,719.63*
County Tax		20,727.18					20,727.18				20,727.18*
		129,624.18					129,624.18		21,177.37		108,446.81
TOTAL ALL DEPARTMENTS	\$2,169.61	\$635,289.39	\$55,922.02	\$8,705.39			\$702,086.41		\$509,192.60	\$42,780.60	\$22,392.18
	(Ex. A)	(Ex. C)	(Ex. B)					(Ex. B)		(Ex. E)	(Ex. E)
										(Ex. A)	(Ex. A)

* Shown as liabilities — unpaid state and county taxes on Exhibit A.