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TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen

N. J. McCORRISON F. A. WHITCOMB
E. I. CLEMENT

Collector

F. A. SCHOFIELD

Treasurer

F. A. SCHOFIELD

Constable

CLARENCE MORSE

Clerk

LENORA WELLMAN

School Committee

MARION GREER VIOLA MORSE
FLOYD LITTLEFIELD

Superintendent of Schools

A. F. BARNES

A brief summary of the Town's affairs reported so it can be understood by all.

In the past three years the Town has cut its tax rate from .087 per thousand to .057 per thousand. In July of 1942 the Town Debt was paid in full, a sum of \$3,111.50 having been paid in the past three years. \$1,317.48 of that sum was paid this year. \$2,479.76 in tax deeds carried for years as resources have been crossed from the books as worthless due to improper boundaries and failure to record at proper time. \$1,552.12 in tax liens have also been crossed from the books as worthless.

From February 4, 1942 to February 4, 1943 it cost to plow and sand the roads \$660.41, one half to be paid by the State. In the same period it cost to run our one school \$1,960.05 received from State \$563.48. Making a cost to the town of \$1,396.57.

The total amount of cash taken in in the year plus the amount left over from last year totals \$10,465.08. The total amount spent in the past year was \$7,543.96 leaving a cash balance of \$2,921.12. It has been found that the National Bank of Belfast has paid out \$38.26 in interest on Cemetery Trust Funds that never reached the town books. Through the efforts of your treasurer it will soon be collected and added to the Cemetery Trust funds where it belongs.

How the Charles Morrill Estate was settled.

The Charles Morrill Estate sold for	\$375.00
Paid C. R. Coombs, burial expenses	\$210.00
Paid C. E. Heal as administrator	55.00
Paid town of Belmont for back taxes	110.00
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	\$375.00

Selectmen's Report

RESOURCES IN HANDS OF TREASURER, FEB. 4, 1943

Cash	\$2,919.33
Ida Bryant Mortgage	58.99
Tax Deeds	100.21
Tax liens	550.63
Due from State on snow plowing and sanding	160.66
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	\$3,789.82
Value of Real Estate, resident	\$57,197.00
Value of Real Estate, non-resident	21,750.00
Value of Personal Estate, resident	10,313.00
Value of Personal Estate, non-resident	550.00
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	\$89,810.00
Basis of assessment of money tax .057	
No. of polls taxed 69 at \$3.00	
No. of polls not taxed 12	
Total money assessed	\$5,327.61
For the following purposes:	
Town debts and charges	\$ 600.00
Support of school	1,100.00
Highways and bridges	500.00
Raised for state aid road	300.00
Repairs on third class	300.00
Cutting bushes on improved roads	175.00
Patrol maintenance	450.00
Cemeteries	25.00
Supt. of schools	35.00
Street lights	12.00
Repairs on school house	35.00
Mothers' aid	96.00
Breaking roads in winter	300.00
Support of poor	50.00
Care of alewives	1.00

Public nurse	15.00
State tax	788.45
County tax	328.13
Overlay	217.03
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	\$5,327.61

RESOURCES FOR YEAR 1942

Cash balance Feb. 4, 1942	\$3,162.46
Supplementary tax	107.54
Excise tax, 1942-1943	221.38
1942 tax, collected	4,913.03
1940 tax liens	310.45
Interest collected on 1942 taxes	11.26
1941 tax	1.70
1941 tax liens	231.79
1937 tax liens	25.48
1939 tax liens	20.63
1938 tax liens	36.73
1936 tax	3.00
1933 tax	8.17
1933 tax deed	50.00
Property acquired by taxes	187.00
Town property sold	105.75
Accounts received	4.34
Rent	5.00
J. E. Buck, over paid	1.00
Bank Stock tax	1.80
Reveived from State on snow and ice removal	45.65
Cash from food stamps	139.00
From Treas., State, on common schools	563.48
W. B. Webber, standing grass	5.00
J. E. Jackson, wood	.75
F. A. Whitcomb, gravel	3.00
Harry Cottrell, used lumber	3.00
Fred Rankin, wood	1.50
Laurence Cottrell, rent	1.00
F. A. Whitcomb, pulpwood	34.64
F. A. Whitcomb, wood	3.00
Ida Bryant on mortgage	50.00

C. E. Heald, on C. A .Morrill estate	110.00
From Treasurer of State, on dog tax	94.76
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	\$10,463.29

EXPENDITURES FOR YEAR 1942

Paid—	
Marion Greer, school comm.—postage	\$ 4.75
Field & Quimby, school insurance	37.50
Loring Short, town books	14.25
Hutchins Bros., town books	5.70
Municipal Association	15.00
A. C. Hopkins, town books	2.35
City Belfast Printing	1.00
Marks Printing	13.69
R. M. Parsons, audit	55.00
F. A. Schofield, due from town	3.93
Error on tax	10.84
Belfast Motor	9.38
N. J. McCarrison, postage, express	2.77
F. A. Schofield, work on books	15.00
Laurence Cottrell, cutting plup	16.88
Hutchins Bros., printing report	27.75
F. A. Schofield, postage	6.00
Caroline Marriner, ballot clerk	2.25
Madeline Cobb, ballot clerk	2.25
Polly Fairbrother, election clerk	4.50
Pauline Morse, ballot clerk	4.50
Verna Tower, election clerk	4.50
Harry Cottrell, labor	1.10
Clarence Morse, brown tail moth	6.03
Peter Bright, rent	16.00
L. Littlefield, school com.	1.50
Viola Morse, school com.	3.00
Clarence Morse, constable's salary	10.00
Lenora Wellman, postage	3.12
Lenora Wellman, recording births	2.00
Lenora Wellman preparing ballot	1.00
Lenora Wellman, town clerk	18.00
Floyd Littlefield, school com.	1.50

F. A. Schofield, com on 1942 tax	105.97
abatements	10.38
discounts	29.98
notary fees	6.00
treasurer's salary	35.00
attending meetings	5.00
moderator	1.00
postage and tel.	6.66
writing tax liens	21.00
recording liens	10.50
C. E. Heal, treasurer's salary	7.00
N. J. McCorrison, selectmen's services	82.50
F. A. Whitcomb, selectmen's services	62.25
E. I. Clement, selectmen's services	49.50
Dickey Agency, bonds	27.00
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	\$782.78
Raised by town	600.00
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Overdrawn	\$182.78

THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE

Paid—	
Clarence Morse	\$9.75
Richard Fairbrother	4.90
Walter Cobb	32.66
F. A. Whitcomb	9.75
Donald Rankin	3.00
F. A. Whitcomb	4.13
E. I. Clement	46.55
E. L. Griffeth	31.85
O. G. Wooster	9.00
Ancil Hills	3.00
L. T. Tenney	29.52
F. A. Whitcomb	9.00
E. I. Clement	29.52
W. B. Webber	9.00
W. B. Webber for material	7.08
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	\$238.71

Raised by town	\$300.00	
Unexpended		\$61.29

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Paid—		
Cooper & Co.		\$67.54
L. T. Tenney		107.28
N. J. McCarrison		3.01
Donald Rankin		6.00
Ancil Hills		50.62
James Jackson		27.47
A. L. Walker		1.58
F. A. Whitcomb		63.94
Geo. Jones		4.25
Milton Hills		2.55
Fred Palmer		.72
John Moses		19.22
Clarence Morse		22.22
O.G. Wooster		32.72
E. L. Griffeth		29.40
W. B. Webber		6.50
E. I. Clement		149.93
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		\$594.95
Raised by town		500.00
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Overdrawn		\$94.95

SCHOOLS

Paid—		
H. A. Mariner, transportation		\$572.00
Caroline Patterson, teaching		95.00
Lovicy Littlefield, teaching		546.25
Viola Morse, repairs-supplies		5.90
Fred Palmer, repairs		1.70
Clarence Morse, repairs		3.50
Herbert L. Palmer, supplies		4.10
E. E. Babb Co., supplies		4.82
Florence Allen, supplies		1.81
Hall Hardware, supplies		.89

City of Belfast, tuition	518.50
State Treasurer, teacher's retirement	36.00
Arthur Fairbrother, school wood	42.00
J. L. Hammett, supplies	.80
Webster Pub. Co., supplies	7.77
Irquois Pub. Co., supplies	12.36
A. E. Gager, supplies	.36
American Book Co., supplies	16.85
Ginn Co., supplies	5.35
Ora Littlefield, teaching	70.09

\$1,960.05

Raised by town	\$1,100.00
Bal. from 1941	609.84
From State	563.48

Amt. available \$2,273.32

Unexpended \$313.27

SNOW REMOVAL AND SANDING

Paid—

Stanley Tenney	\$ 9.20
Walter Cobb	102.65
J. E. Buck	150.59
L. T. Tenney	224.86
Arthur Buck	10.60
Frederick Fenwick	2.20
Austin Bryant	22.20
State Sand and Gravel Co.	37.39
O. S. Vickery	3.90
Checkerboard Grain Co.	3.60
F. A. Whitcomb	3.00
N. J. McCarrison	3.00
Clarence Morse	50.25
O. G. Wooster	3.00
Julian Cottrell	1.50
H. E. Thomas	22.67
E. I. Clement	9.80

\$660.41

Raised by town	\$300.00	
Received from State	45.65	
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Amt. available	\$345.65	
Overdrawn		\$314.76
Due from State		\$160.66

MOTHERS' AID

Paid State Treasurer		\$88.00
Amount raised by town	\$96.00	
Unexpended		\$8.00

PATROL MAINTENANCE

Treasurer State		\$433.50
Raised by town	\$450.00	
Unexpended		\$16.50
Paid Treas. State on 1941 tar bill		\$150.58
Paid Treas. State for Health Nurse		\$15.00

R. D. MARRINER NOTE

Paid R. D. Marriner		\$1,317.48
Raised by town		500.00
Overdrawn	\$817.48	

STATE TAX

Paid Treas. State		\$788.45
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COUNTY

Paid Treas State		\$328.13
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CEMETERIES

Paid Clarence Morse		\$25.00
Raised by town		25.00

SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY

Paid A. F. Barns		\$42.42
Raised by town	\$35.00	
Overdrawn		\$7.42

TOWN POOR

Paid City of Belfast on Burton Flagg		6.50
Raised by town	\$50.00	
Unexpended		43.50

STREET LIGHTS

Paid C. M. P. Co.		\$12.00
Raised by town		12.00

CUTTING BUSHES ON IMPROVED ROADS

Raised by town		\$175.00
Unexpended		\$175.00

CARE OF ALEWIVES

Raised by town		\$1.00
Unexpended		1.00

FOOD STAMPS

\$100.00

TAXES DUE ON 1941 LIENS

E. and Elinor Bradley	\$28.22
Ruby Braley	39.44
Harry Eaton	30.12
Frank Fletcher	26.62
C. E. Heal	47.60
John Morrill	74.80
Sprague, Hattie	42.84
E. B. Corey	20.40
Harold Kelley	6.80

TAXES DUE ON TAX DEEDS

Ethel Webber	\$100.21
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TOWN PROPERTY ACQUIRED BY

TAX DEEDS AND LIENS

Lillian Adams	\$ 35.00
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Allenwood, Hattie	130.00
Allenwood, L. F.	200.00
Allenwood, Laura, heirs	150.00
E. Brewster	75.00
W. L. Clark, heirs	100.00
Cunningham Heirs	300.00
Elms, Aubry	75.00
Elms, Emma	75.00
Elms, Henry	50.00
Fred Fenwick	800.00
A. I. Flagg, heirs	250.00
Flagg, Hattie	200.00
Flagg, Hattie	375.00
J. M. Ingols	200.00
Simond Jackson, heirs	250.00
Lyndon McGuire	750.00
Perry McClane	25.00
Colby Rackliff	50.00
A. G. Thorndike	175.00
Susie Thorndike	125.00
Thomas Greer	200.00
John Crie, heirs	125.00
Louis Vansicle, heirs	125.00
A. L. Walker	250.00
E. S. Wing	75.00
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	\$5,165.00
Value of school houses	\$1,400.00
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	\$6,565.00
Resources in hand of treasurer	3,789.82
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Total resources	\$10,354.82

Respectfully submitted

N. J. McCORRISON

F. A. WHITCOMB

E. I. CLEMENT

Tax Collector's Report

1942

Tax commitment	\$5,327.61	
Supplementary tax	110.54	
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Charged to collector		\$5,438.15

Credits To Collector

Cash to treasurer	\$5,023.87	
Tax mortgage liens	401.49	
Abatements	10.38	
Collected since books closed	2.41	
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		\$5,438.15

RESIDENT UNCOLLECTED 1942

	Real estate	Personal Poll
Harry N. Eaton	\$31.35	
Harry N. Eaton and Bradford H. Eaton	11.97	
Fred Fenwick	49.88	
Frank Fletcher	26.98	
Jennie Greer	34.20	
E. A. Greer	5.70	
Chas E. Heal	39.90	
John C. Morrill	62.70	
Hattie Sprague	35.91	
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		\$298.59

NON—RESIDENT

Eleanor Bradley Smith	\$23.66
Ruby Brayley	33.06
H. S. Pattershall	21.38

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Colby Rackliff	5.70
Chas. Philbrook	2.00
Dan and Chas. Robertson	17.10

\$102.90

SUMMARY

Resident	\$298.59
Non-resident	102.90

\$401.49

Respectfully submitted

F. A. SCHOFIELD, Collector

Treasurer's Report

1942

Cash balance	\$2919.32
Received from State:	
Snow removal	\$ 45.65
Bank stock	1.80
Dog license refund	94.76
State school refund	563.48
Mrs. Ralph Page, 1933 tax deed	8.17
Mrs. L. L. Towensend, tax deeds	50.00
Ida M. Bryant, mortgage deeds	50.00
Chas. E. Heal, settlement of C. A. Morrill, estate	110.00
C. W. Kimmons, burial lot	5.00
Sale town property	336.64
Food stamps	139.00
Tax mortgage liens paid, 1937, int and chg.	25.48
Tax mortgage liens paid, 1938, int. and chg.	36.73
Tax mortgage liens paid, 1939, int. and chgs.	20.63
Tax mortgage liens paid, 1940, int. and chgs.	310.45

Tax mortgage lines paid, 1941, int. and chgs.	231.79
Tax collectors 1936 tax	3.00
Tax collectors 1941 tax	4.70
Tax collectors 1942 tax	5,327.61
Tax collectors excise, 1942 tax	214.97
Supplemental tax 1942	110.54
Cash balance Feb. 4, 1942	3,126.46
Interest collected, 1942 tax	11.26
Miscellaneous items	19.96
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	\$13,767.40
Paid selectmens' warrants	\$7,543.96
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Balance Feb. 4, 1943	\$6,223.44

CEMETERY TRUST FUND

Ada B. Morton	\$202.76
Winfield S. Foss	97.58
Miles Pease	33.64
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	\$333.98

Respectfully submitted,

FRED A. SCHOFIELD, Treas.

Superintendent's Report

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of the Town of Belmont.

The following is a brief report of the progress and condition of the Greer's Corner School. Considering the size of the school, and the many grades, the teachers have done very good work. We have been fortunate in being able to continue the school thus far without interruption. Because of the increase in teacher's salary, also the increase in the length of the school year, in this town, we hoped to share in the Equalization Fund. But many towns have increased their appropriations on account of present conditions. This has resulted in an increase of the average of tax rates for the support of schools in the State. The rate is .01402 as compared with .01301 for the preceeding year. As a result the town of Belmont will not share in the Equalization Fund, December 1943.

There are students attending Crosby High School this year. One will complete the course in June. The four students that entered high school last September have done very good work. The expense for secondary tuition is likely to increase the next few years. I would suggest that some consideration be given this matter and a reasonable sum raised to meet the expense.

I wish to thank the teachers and members of the School Committee for their co-operation and support.

ALBERT F. BARNES

Supt. of Schools