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ANNUAL REPORT
of the
Selectmen, Treasurer, and other
Officers

of

BENEDICTA

For the Municipal Year

1942-1943

Printed by
Students of
Patten Academy

TOWN OFFICERS

Town Clerk

Mrs. Mary E. Qualey

Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor

L. H. Qualey

Raymond Cummings

Francis Qualey

Treasurer

E. J. McAvoy

School Committee

E. J. McAvoy

Roland McAvoy

Harry Cummings

Road Commissioner

Leonard Cummings

Constables

Roland McAvoy

Andrew F. Qualey

Collector of Taxes

Andrew F. Qualey

Superintendent of Schools

C. S. Hulbert

ASSESSOR'S REPORT

Real Estate, Resident	\$57475.00	
Real Estate, Non-resident	<u>20914.00</u>	
Total Real Estate		\$78389.00

Personal Estate	16838.00	
Total Real Estate		16838.00
Total Personal & Real Estate		<u>\$95227.00</u>

Number of Polls Taxed, 59
 Number of Polls Not Taxed, 6

On above Polls and Estates as Per Warrant from State Treasurer and County Treasurer and per vote of the Town at the annual meeting held March 16, 1942, the following assessments were made:

State Tax	\$858.76
County Tax	229.63
Schools	1500.00
Superintendents Salary	125.00
Rental of School Building	150.00
Roads and Bridges	650.00
Special Approp. of No.1 Road	700.00
State Aid Road	300.00
Third Class Road	48.00
Snow-removal	250.00
Town Officers & Incidentals	350.00
Interest	125.00
Town Lights	60.00
Cemetery	350.00
Anti-tuberculosis	10.00
State Health Nurse	15.00
Town Locker	50.00
Casey Road	28.00
Interest on School Fund	50.00
Overlay	41.23
	<u>\$5890.62</u>

Tax-rate on \$1.00 -- .06	
59 Polls at \$3.00	\$177.00
Tax on Real and Personal Estate	5713.62
	<u>\$5890.62</u>

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

ROADS & BRIDGES

RECEIPTS

Appropriation \$650.00

EXPENDITURES:

Leonard Cummings	\$ 13.00	
Walter Perry	6.08	
Everett McAvoy	2.00	
Stephen Rush	.60	
John McAvoy	2.00	
H. D. Cummings	6 50	
Andrew Gantnier	4.80	
George Rivers	3.70	
Herbert Qualey	5.00	
Dan Crowe	20.34	
Louis Qualey	2.00	
State Patrol	222.90	
Balance Unexp. March 1, 1943	<u>359.68</u>	\$650.00

STATE AID ACCOUNT

Appropriation	\$300.00
Balance Unexpended March 1, 1943	300.00

CASEY ROAD ACCOUNT

Appropriation	\$28.00
Balance Unexp. Mar.1, 1943	28.00

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION NO. 1 ROAD

RECEIPTS

Appropriation \$700.00

EXPENDITURES

Fred Shannon	\$ 61.60	
Almer Baker	69.00	
Lyman Carr	31.68	
Henry Hunter	28.16	
Junior Pratt	28.16	
Sam Wilson	10.56	
Mansford Joy	79.52	
Matthew Coro	10.56	
Ralph Rush, Gravel	4.70	
Balance Unexpended	<u>375.06</u>	\$700.00

THIRD CLASS ROADS

RECEIPTS

Total Fund	\$86.01	
Overdrawn, March 1, 1943	<u>.39</u>	
		\$86.40

EXPENDITURES

Ralph Rush	\$12.00	
Herbert Qualey	30.00	
Francis Rush	12.50	
Philip McAvoy	12.50	
Albert Rush	12.00	
Ralph Rush, Gravel	<u>7.90</u>	
		\$86.40

THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE

RECEIPTS

Appropriation	\$48.00
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EXPENDITURES

Ralph Rush	\$ 6.00	
Herbert Qualey	15.00	
Philip McAvoys	6.00	
Francis Rush	10.00	
Albert Rush	6.00	
Joseph Gantnier	1.00	
Balance Unexp. March 1, 1943	<u>1.00</u>	\$48.00

MAINTENANCE OF UNIMPROVED ROADS

RECEIPTS

Fund	\$97.50
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EXPENDITURES

Herbert Qualey	\$20.00	
Henry Seile	8.00	
Francis Qualey	10.00	
Patrick Hines	10.00	
Andrew Gantnier	4.00	
Joseph Gantnier	2.00	
Loyd Merrill, Gravel	2.00	
Balance Unexp. March 1, 1943	<u>41.50</u>	\$97.50

SNOW REMOVAL

RECEIPTS

Appropriation	\$250.00	
Received from State	989.75	
Balance Unexp. Mar. 1, 1942	<u>121.53</u>	\$1361.28

EXPENDITURES

Herbert Qualey, Plowing Roads	\$846.35	
Herbert Qualey, Hauling Sand	28.00	
Leonard Cummings	30.50	
Andrew Gantnier	20.60	
George Rivers	48.80	
B. E. Duffy	31.40	
Albert Qualey	3.20	
Joseph Gantnier	13.80	
Raymond Cummings	5.50	
Joseph Hines	13.75	
Elward Rush	21.00	
H. D. Cummings	76.00	
Frank Qualey	17.75	
James Rush	30.00	
Joseph Gantnier	40.00	
Philip McAvoy	40.00	
Patrick Hines	4.00	
Robert Brown	16.00	
Balance Unexp. Mar. 1, 1943	<u>74.63</u>	\$1361.28

CEMETERY ACCOUNT

	RECEIPTS	
Appropriation		\$350.00

	EXPENDITURES	
Overdrawn March 1, 1942	\$ 51.50	
Rev. George Dulac	15.00	
Balance Unexp. Mar. 1, 1943	<u>283.50</u>	\$350.00

TOWN LIGHTS

	RECEIPTS	
Appropriation		\$60.00

	EXPENDITURES	
Maine Public Service Company	\$29.00	
Balance Unexp. March 1, 1943	<u>31.00</u>	\$60.00

TOWN LOCKER

	RECEIPTS	
Appropriation		\$50.00

PAID

Bangor Office Supply Company	\$36.74	
Balance Unexp. March 1, 1943	<u>13.26</u>	\$50.00

SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY

	RECEIPTS	
Appropriation	\$125.00	
Balance Unexp. March 1, 1942	<u>29.08</u>	\$154.08

EXPENDITURES

Superintendent's Salary	\$124.72	
Balance Unexp. Mar. 1, 1943	<u>29.36</u>	\$154.08

TOWN OFFICERS AND INCIDENTALS
RECEIPTS

Appropriation	\$350.00	
Excise Tax	\$205.91	
Overdrawn March 1, 1943	<u>622.41</u>	
		\$1177.62

EXPENDITURES

Patton Academy, Town Reports	\$ 33.00	
Marks Printing House	5.00	
W. C. Heath, Sealer of Weights and Measures	6.00	
Scott Brown, Law Attorney (Writing tax Deed)	3.50	
H. D. Cummings (Tax Rite)	6.00	
Loring, Short & Harmon	25.10	
Irving McAvoy (Bear Bounty)	10.00	
Everett McAvoy (Treasurer's Fee)	60.00	
Everett McAvoy, Postage	3.00	
Everett McAvoy, 3 yrs. Sch. Board)	15.00	
Ray Cummings, 2nd Selectman	30.00	
Ray Cummings, Treasurer's Bond	10.00	
Ray Cummings, Collectors's Bond	5.00	
Francis Qualey, 3rd Selectman	30.00	
Francis Qualey, Ballot Clerk	3.00	
Mrs. M. E. Qualey, Town Clerk	18.00	
Mrs. M. E. Qualey, Telephone & Postage	2.37	
Roland McAvoy, Constable Fee	10.00	
Seth Campbell, Legal Advice	2.00	
Hutchin Brothers	1.40	
Fred A. Shean, Auditor	177.66	
L. H. Qualey, 1st Selectman	110.00	
L. H. Qualey, Telephone & Post.	8.00	
L. H. Qualey, Car to Houlton		
To meet State Assessors	5.00	
L. H. Qualey, Ballot Clerk	3.00	
A. F. Qualey, Excise Tax Books	3.16	
B. E. Duffy, Ballot Clerk	3.00	
H. D. Cummings, Collector's Fee (1934)	191.98	
H. D. Cummings, Collector's Fee (1935)	197.27	
H. D. Cummings, Collector's Fee (1936)	<u>200.18</u>	
		\$1177.62

INTEREST

RECEIPTS

Appropriation	125.00	
Interest on Tax 1942	19.85	
Interest on Tax 1941	22.05	
Interest on Tax 1940	64.50	
Interest on Tax 1939	47.66	
Interest on Tax 1938	19.13	
Interest on Tax 1937	50.91	
Interest on Tax 1936	20.25	
Interest on Tax 1935	23.33	
Interest on Tax 1934	43.81	
Interest & Cost on Tax Liens redeemed	<u>347.66</u>	\$789.15

EXPENDITURES

Millinocket Trust Co.	93.75	
County Treasurer	7.06	
Edd Perry	117.34	
J. H. Rush	41.06	
Knights of Columbus	9.88	
B. A. Rivers	27.52	
Balance Unexp. Mar. 1, 1943	<u>492.54</u>	\$789.15

FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE TOWN

Uncollected Tax of 1932	\$	72.35
" " 1933		51.65
" " 1934		64.95
" " 1935		59.16
" " 1937		312.79
" " 1938		318.87
" " 1939		456.88
" " 1940		382.35
" " 1941		472.06
" " 1942		469.80
Tax Leins and Deeds held by Town		988.17
Notes on School house No. 2		150.00
Cash in Treasury, March 6, 1943		2948.62
		<u>\$6747.65</u>
Outstanding Town Orders		\$3600.00
School Fund		1000.00
		<u>\$4600.00</u>
Balance		\$2147.65

Respectfully stbmitted,
L. H. Qualey
Ray Cummings
Frank Qualey

TAX-COLLECTOR'S REPORT 1942-43

Commitment		\$5890.62
Treasurer's Receipts	\$5420.82	
Uncollected Taxes	<u>469.80</u>	\$5890.62

LIST OF UNCOLLECTED TAXES 1942

Steven Brennan	\$ 3.00	
Martin Brennan	3.00	
Daniel Crowe	95.58	
George Duffy	24.00	
Gerald Duffy	3.00	
Herald Duffy	6.60	
Joseph McAvoy	18.60	
Thomas McAvoy	3.60	
Basil McAvoy	3.00	
Fred McAvoy	3.00	
Irving McNally	6.00	
Heirs of Joseph Rush	46.50	
D. B. Rush	151.26	
Richard Robinson	86.70	
John Sawyer	3.00	
Fred Seile	<u>12.96</u>	
		\$469.80

Respectfully submitted

A. F. Qualey, Collector

TREASURER'S REPORT

Check book Balance of March 1942	332.11
Tax of 1942	5413.52
Int. on 1942 Tax	19.85
Tax of 1941 (from F. R. McAvoy)	337.95
Int. on 1941 " " "	22.05
Tax of 1940 " " "	816.14
Int. on 1940 " " "	64.50
Tax of 1939 " " "	391.49
Int. on 1939 " " "	47.66
Tax of 1938 " " "	83.86
Int. on 1938 " " "	19.13
Tax of 1937 (from H. D. Cummings)	319.55
Int. on 1937 " " "	50.91
Tax of 1936 " " "	365.65
Int. on 1936 " " "	20.25
Tax of 1935 " " "	256.50
Int. on 1935 " " "	28.83
Tax of 1934 " " "	277.22
Int. on 1934 " " "	43.81
1942 Excise Tax (rec' of F. R. McAvoy)	2.00
1943 Excise Tax (Tax Collector)	203.21
Tax on Bank Stock	4.72
1941 Dog License (rec'd J. P. Rush)	20.00
1942 Log License (rec' Town Clerk)	19.30
P. J. Rogan for Quirk property	300.00
Snow Removal	989.75
Tuition of Children of unorganized Town	178.50
Balance of State School Fund	210.12
Third Class Roads	86.01
Third Class Maint.	56.00
County Treas. for Town roads	12.00
Bear Bounty	10.00
Correction in Dep. of July 3.	.20
Tax Leins & Int.	964.02
Cemetery acc't (F. R. McAvoy)	1.72
Cemetery acc't Scrap Metal drive	71.40
Refund on 1942 Warrant (paid twice)	71.10
Cash Receipts	<u>\$12,111.03</u>

Warrants paid	\$9161.99	
Banking charge	.42	
Total pay'ts.	<u>\$9162.41</u>	9,162.41
Balance March 6, 1942		<u>\$2,948.62</u>

Respectfully submitted

Everett J. McAvoy, Treas

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the members of the superintending School Committee and Citizens of the town of Benedicta:

It is with a great deal of pleasure that I submit for your consideration my sixteenth annual report of the condition, progress and needs of your schools.

Many schools in this state have had to close this year because there were no teachers available and since the teacher shortage is expected to be worse next year the people of Benedicta should be very thankful for the efficient services of their trained and experienced teachers.

The war is bound to have its bad effects upon the schools and to keep our standards high requires the cooperation and assistance of not only the teachers and pupils but of all the people. If we can all work together for the good of the schools much better results will be obtained.

Our appropriations for the last few years in our school account have been so low and the appropriations in other towns having increased during that period has resulted in the average school rate being higher than that of Benedicta and has caused us to lose our Equalization Fund. The loss of that fund this year together with the increase in cost of running your schools necessitates increasing your appropriation this year as I have recommended in the budget.

The salaries of your teachers are as follows:

Sister M. Alberta	\$19.00 per week
Sister M. Veronica	19.00 per week

Enrollment of pupils by grades for the school year ending June 1942:

	Boys	Girls
Sub-primary	1	5

	Boys	Girls
First grade	3	4
Second "	3	2
Third "	4	3
Fourth "	3	3
Fifth "	4	3
Sixth "	3	3
Seventh "	2	0
Eighth "	7	1

The average daily attendance of all elementary pupils during the year is 50.74 and the total enrollment is 57.

In closing, I wish to express my appreciation for the loyal support given me by the school committee teachers and other citizens.

Respectrully submitted,

Charles S. Hulbert

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

General Fund

Receipts

aded balance	\$1036.75	
...riation	1500.00	
State School Fund	1057.04	
Tuition	178.50	
Interest on School Fund	<u>50.00</u>	\$3823.29

EXPENDITURES

Teachers	\$1362.75	
Fuel	158.00	
Janitor and cleaning	278.75	
Tuition	1270.44	
Textbooks	67.86	
Supplies	79.08	
Unexpended balance March 1943	<u>605.40</u>	\$3822.29

INSURANCE ACCOUNT

Receipts

Appropriation	\$150.00	\$ 150.00
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Expenditures

Rev. George Dulac	<u>\$150.00</u>	\$ 150.00
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SCHOOL BUDGET

Estimated expenses for next year:

Teachers salaries	\$1440.00	
Fuel	300.00	
Janitor and cleaning	300.00	
High school tuition	1200.00	
Books and supplies	150.00	
Unexpended balance	<u>200.00</u>	\$3590.00

Estimated receipts:

Unexpended balance	\$ 605.40	
State School Fund	<u>1000.00</u>	<u>\$1605.40</u>

Necessary appropriation		\$1984.60
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