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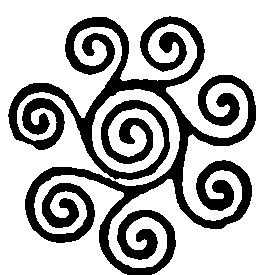
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## TOWN WARRANT

To M. W. Bishop, a Constable of the Town of Blanchard,  
in the County of Piscataquis,        GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the said Town of Blanchard, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the town hall in the said town on Monday, the twenty-eighth day of March, A. D. 1938, at one o'clock in the afternoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside over said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a town clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To hear all reports to be made at said meeting.

Art. 4. To receive and act on all bills against the town.

Art. 5. To choose three selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor for the ensuing year and determine their compensation.

Art. 6. To choose a town treasurer for the ensuing year and determine his compensation.

Art. 7. To choose one member of the school committee for a term of three years.

Art. 8. To choose an auditor for the ensuing year.

Art. 9. To choose a collector of taxes for the ensuing year and determine his compensation.

Art. 10. To choose a road commissioner for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To choose all other officers required by law to be chosen at the annual meeting, or authorize the

selectmen to appoint such officers.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for elementary and secondary schools, including teachers' wages, fuel, janitor services, tuition, textbooks, and school supplies.

Art. 13. To see what sum the town will vote to raise and appropriate for salary of superintendent of schools.

Art. 14. To see what sum the town will vote to raise and appropriate for repairs and insurance on schoolhouse.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for support of poor.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money to fill in the sag in front of the store.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for town charges.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for ways and bridges.

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for State aid maintenance and patrol.

Art. 20. To see what action the town will take regarding filling in road both sides of Blackstone Brook on the Carrol Oakes road, so-called, and raise and appropriate money for same.

Art. 21. To see what sum the town will vote to raise and appropriate for State aid road construction (in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges), under the provisions of Section

19, Chapter 28, Revised Statutes of 1930, or under the provisions of Section 3, Chapter 229, Public Laws of 1937.

Art. 22. To see what sum, if any, the town would recommend to take from the joint State aid account for the purpose of applying bituminous surface treatment to State aid roads, in excess of the requirements of Section 2, Chapter 132, Public Laws of 1935.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not less than \$116.00 for the maintenance of improved sections of third class roads, or to be used in conjunction with the State apportionment for the construction of third class roads.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate money under Chapter 28, Revised Statutes of 1930, as amended by Chapters 162 and 231 of the Public Laws of 1937, for the removal of snow from improved highways and town ways, provided said roads or a portion of the same are accepted as winter routes by the State Highway Commission.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen on behalf of the town to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quitclaim deeds for such property.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to paint the town hall and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 27. To see what the town will do with the overdraft of \$1.76 on Federal project account.

Art. 28. To see what the town will do with the overdraft of \$5.55 widening Oakes road account.

Art. 29. To see what the town will do about strengthening the steel bridge over Piscataquis River, and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 30. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the services of the public health nurse.

Art. 31. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for interest on town hall debt.

Art. 32. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to apply on the debt of the town hall.

Art. 33. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for insurance for town hall.

Art. 34. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$41.16 for interest on school fund.

Art. 35. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to replace the weather vane on the church.

Art. 36. To see what action the town will take in regard to getting some industry to locate in town, and to see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for expenses for same.

Art. 37. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15.00 for the purpose of paying dues to the Maine Municipal Association.

Art. 38. To see what discount the town will allow on taxes paid on or before a specified date, and to see what time the collector will be required to settle in full with

the town, else to see what method the town will adopt for the collection of taxes for the ensuing year

Art. 39. To see what money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine.

Art. 40. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen and town treasurer to hire money for town purposes in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 41. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for buying snow fence

Art. 42. To see what the town will do in regard to the care of both cemeteries and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 43. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of Memorial Park.

Art. 44. To see if the town will vote to accept for perpetual care of Frank Spearing lot the sum of fifty dollars, in Blanchard Cemetery.

Art. 45. To see if the town will vote to accept for perpetual care of Fred Knapp lot the sum of fifty dollars, in Blanchard Cemetery.

Art. 46. To see what action the town will take in regard to paying for bonds for town officers, and to transact any other business that may come before said meeting.



The selectmen will be in session at said town hall at 12.30 P. M. on the day of said meeting for the purpose of correcting the list of voters

Hereof fail not, and have you there this warrant with your doings thereon.

Given unto our hands this fourteenth day of March, A. D. 1938.

GEORGE A. BARTLETT,  
JOSEPH EVANS,  
Selectmen of Blanchard.

## TOWN OFFICERS

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Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

GEORGE A. BARTLETT

IRVING E. GOODALE

JOSEPH EVANS

Town Clerk

M. W. BISHOP

Tax Collector

CLAIR B. BRAY

Road Commissioner

C. M. MITCHELL

School Committee

NINA BLANCHARD

HUGH ALLEN FOX

PERCY RICHARDSON

Health Officer

FRED ORTH

Superintendent of Schools

C. L. SIDELINGER

Town Treasurer

CLAIR B. BRAY

Auditor

HUGH ALLEN FOX

Cemetery Committee

IRVING E. GOODALE

GEORGE A. BARTLETT

HUGH ALLEN FOX

## ASSESSORS' REPORT

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### VALUATION, APRIL 1, 1937

Resident real estate,	\$20,277.00	
Resident personal estate,	1,351.00	
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Total real estate,		\$21,628.00
Non-resident real estate,	\$79,628.00	
Non-resident personal estate,	100.00	
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Total non-resident,		\$79,728.00
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Total resident and non-resident,		\$101,356.00
Total taxes assessed and committed on resi-		
dent and non-resident at .049,		\$4,966.44
48 polls @ \$3.00,		144.00
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		\$5,110.44

GEORGE A. BARTLETT,  
JOSEPH EVANS,

Assessors of Blanchard.

## SELECTMEN'S REPORT

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### LIST OF APPROPRIATIONS, MARCH, 1937

Common schools,	\$500.00
High school tuition,	100.00
School supplies,	25.00
Textbooks,	25.00
Salary, superintendent of schools,	55.20
Interest on school fund,	41.16
Support of poor,	300.00
Town charges,	500.00
Ways and bridges,	700.00
State aid road,	600.00
State aid maintenance,	180.00
Maintenance of third class road,	106.14
Snow removal,	600.00
Care of cemeteries,	50.00
Care of Memorial Park,	10.00
Health nurse,	15.00
Maine Municipal League,	15.00
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Total appropriations,	\$3,822.50
State tax,	935.67
County tax,	258.00
Overlay,	94.27
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Total commitment,	\$5,110.44
Supplementary taxes,	29.67
James E. Mitchell, poll tax,	3.00
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Total to account for,	\$5,143.11

## SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

From March 1, 1937, to March 9, 1938

## RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, March 1, 1937,	\$ 232.57
From Clair B. Bray, collector,	5,143.11
State treasurer, State aid maintenance, 1936,	43.40
Guilford Trust Co., note,	1,000.00
State treasurer, pauper account, Nellie Lumbert,	171.20
Florence Watters, 1936 taxes,	23.70
A. L. Taylor, 1936 tax,	33.81
State treasurer, snow payroll, reim- bursement,	237.72
Stove sold at schoolhouse,	5.00
Merrill Mortgage Co., 1935 and 1936 taxes, Stanley J. Hinch,	434.70
John P. White, taxes, Butler property, 1935 and 1936,	135.72
John P. White, 1936 tax, Butler property,	9.85
State treasurer, State maintenance, un- improved roads,	99.20
State treasurer, State aid maintenance,	163.50
State treasurer, State aid road,	1,052.23
Cemetery account,	\$ 50.00
Town charges,	1,201.66
Hall rent,	78.00
Fire equipment account,	19.90
Maintenance unimproved roads,	100.20
Percy Stacy, tax deed,	11.46
Automobile excise tax,	152.35
State school fund,	366.67
	<hr/> \$9,394.19

## EXPENDITURES

State aid road,	533.60
State aid maintenance,	351.79
Maine Municipal League,	15.00
Snow and ice removal,	671.43
Ways and bridges,	730.23
Third class maintenance,	101.80
Pauper account,	432.57
Village lot account,	4.50
School repairs,	20.15
Common school,	819.95
School supplies,	21.26
Textbooks,	25.32
High school tuition,	335.00
Notes payable account,	2,000.00
Health nurse,	15.00
Hall expense account,	108.58
Superintendent of schools,	65.60
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	\$7,623.54
County tax,	258.00
State tax,	935.67
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	\$8,817.21
Cash on hand, March 9, 1938,	576.98
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	\$9,394.19

### TOWN CHARGE ACCOUNT

#### RECEIPTS

March, 1937, appropriation,	\$ 500.00
April 1, transferred from purchase of seal for town clerk's account by vote of town,	4.37
Received from Mrs. Florence Watter's 1936 tax,	23.70
Received from A. L. Taylor, 1936 tax,	33.81
Received from Merrill Mortgage Co., Stanley J. Hinch, 1935 and 1936 taxes,	434.70
Received from John P. White, 1935 and 1936, Butler,	135.72

Transfer from State aid road account, town's unexpended balance by vote of town,	60.00
Received from Percy Stacy, back tax deed,	11.46
Received automobile excise tax,	152.35
Received from John P. White, tax deed on Frank Butler land held by J. S. Williams,	9.85
March 3, 1938, overdraft,	289.33
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	\$1,655.29

## EXPENDITURES

George A. Bartlett, salary, 1st selectman,	\$ 100.00
I. E. Goodale, 2nd selectman,	40.00
Joseph Evans, 3rd selectman,	40.00
Clair B. Bray, town treasurer,	50.00
M. W. Bishop, salary and expenses, town clerk,	20.00
M. W. Bishop, posting warrants,	1.00
Allen Fox, auditor,	5.00
National Used Car Market Reports, red book,	1.50
Guilford Trust Co., interest on \$1,000 notes,	107.80
J. S. Williams, legal services,	50.00
G. M. Crockett, bonds for treasurer and collector for \$3,000,	18.00
Arthur C. Dyer, transfers,	1.80
Loring, Short & Harmon, blank books and stationery,	21.05
Marks Printing House, blank books and stationery,	5.35
Arthur Bray, express, Federal goods,	2.09
Fred D. Barrows, printing 80 town reports,	52.80
I. E. Goodale, paid Val Ripley, running line, Sylvan Lake,	1.00
Fox's Express, express, Federal goods,	13.09
I. E. Goodale, transportation, Guilford, Dover, Sylvan Lake, Greenville and Barrows Falls,	48.00
Della Humphery, ballot clerk,	3.00
Nina Blanchard, ballot clerk,	3.00
Herbert Perkins, transportation, selectman,	1.00

Joseph Evans, labor, blasting ice in Blackstone Brook,	1.75
Chas. Watt, labor, blasting ice in Blackstone Brook,	1.75
George Bartlett, postage and telephone for year,	25.60
Clair Bray, postage for year,	3.17
George Bartlett, tramps,	3.15
George Bartlett, freight, Federal goods,	3.14
Clair B. Bray, 3% commission on \$152.35 excise tax,	4.57
Clair B. Bray, abatement, William Watt, Jr., poll tax,	3.00
Clair B. Bray, 3% discount on \$3,477.28 taxes paid before July 1, 1937,	104.32
Clair B. Bray, tax deeds, Stanley J. Hinch,	205.59
Clair B. Bray, tax deeds, A. L. Taylor,	59.07
Clair B. Bray, commission for collecting \$5,035.79 @ 3%,	151.07
George Bartlett, transportation, Bangor, Augusta, Old Town, Dover, Guilford, Greenville,	50.00
March 1, 1937, overdraft,	453.63
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	\$1,655.29

### MAINE MUNICIPAL LEAGUE

#### RECEIPTS

March, 1937, appropriation,	\$15.00
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#### EXPENDITURES

Roy H. Owsley, League dues for year,	\$15.00
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### STATE AID MAINTENANCE

#### RECEIPTS

1937 appropriation,	\$180.00
Received from State, due from State, 1936,	43.40
Received from State, 1937 reimburse-	



ment,	163.50	
Overdraft, March, 1938,	1.62	
	<hr/>	\$388.52

## EXPENDITURES

March, 1937, overdraft,	\$ 36.73	
Joseph Evans, labor,	5.60	
Alexander Watt, labor,	2.80	
Edmund Donahue, labor,	2.80	
William Ranta, labor,	2.25	
Fred Elliot, Jr., labor,	9.10	
Dustin Donahue, labor,	2.10	
William Marshall, labor,	2.80	
Allen Fox, labor,	7.70	
Town of Monson, labor,	13.50	
Artemus Fitzgerald, labor,	15.75	
Clair Bray, labor,	10.15	
Stephen Blanchard, labor,	7.17	
Edward Bray, labor,	12.25	
Sheldon Blanchard, labor,	4.37	
C. M. Mitchell, labor,	61.00	
Herbert Perkins, labor,	4.50	
Clinton Evans, labor,	176.40	
Fred Elliot, Jr., gravel,	.90	
Elizabeth Farrin, gravel,	1.05	
Fred Orth, Jr., gravel,	4.20	
Allen Fox, gravel,	5.40	
	<hr/>	\$388.52

## STATE AID ROAD

## RECEIPTS

March, 1937, appropriation,	\$ 600.00
Town's 1937 unexpended balance,	60.00
Received from State treasurer (this includes State's unexpended balance, 1937, of \$2.23),	1,052.23

March 1, 1938, overdraft,	826.91	
		—————\$2,539.14

## EXPENDITURES

March, 1937, overdraft,	\$1,645.54	
1937 payroll,	533.60	
Transfer town's unexpended balance of March 1, 1937, by vote of town at annual town meeting held March 29, 1937,	60.00	
Town's 1938 unexpended balance,	300.00	
		—————\$2,539.14

## STATE AID PAYROLL

C. M. Mitchell, labor,	\$ 36.00	
Herbert Perkins, labor,	44.10	
Clinton Evans, labor,	78.40	
Stephen Blanchard, labor,	16.80	
Joseph Evans, labor,	1.40	
William Marshall, labor,	16.80	
Fred Elliot, Jr., labor,	11.20	
Artemus Fitzgerald, labor,	16.80	
Lindley Mitchell, labor,	15.40	
Allen Fox, labor,	9.80	
A. L. Taylor, cedar posts,	4.20	
Allen Fox, gravel,	10.40	
Clair Bray, labor,	9.80	
Treasurer, State of Maine, balance of town's part of Jackson Brook Bridge,	262.50	
		————— \$533.60

## SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL

## RECEIPTS

March, 1937, appropriation,	\$600.00	
Received from State,	237.72	
		————— \$837.72

## EXPENDITURES

Clinton Evans, plowing,	\$394.73
C. M. Mitchell, wing man,	77.16
C. M. Mitchell, preparing sand,	2.80
Clinton Evans, preparing sand,	9.00
Allen Fox, preparing sand,	2.80
John Knowlton, preparing sand,	2.80
Sheldon Blanchard, preparing sand,	2.80
Edward Bray, preparing sand,	2.80
Charles Conley, dismantling snow fence,	3.50
Allen Fox, dismantling snow fence,	4.90
Caleb Knowlton, dismantling snow fence,	2.80
Fred Elliot, Jr., dismantling snow fence,	3.50
Herbert Perkins, dismantling snow fence,	4.50
Joseph Evans, dismantling snow fence,	1.40
Maurice Donahue, erecting snow fence,	7.17
C. M. Mitchell, erecting snow fence,	10.25
Clinton Evans, erecting snow fence,	15.75
Edmund Donahue, erecting snow fence,	7.17
Artemus Fitzgerald, erecting snow fence,	7.00
Stephen Blanchard, erecting snow fence,	4.20
Allen Fox, erecting snow fence,	3.50
Sheldon Blanchard, erecting snow fence,	2.97
Clinton Evans, sanding,	17.99
Sheldon Blanchard, sanding,	5.60
Edward Bray, sanding,	3.15
William Watt, Jr., sanding,	3.15
Herbert Perkins, sanding,	16.66
John Knowlton, sanding,	2.10
Percy Richardson, sanding,	2.10
Clarence Knowlton, sanding,	2.10
Maurice Donahue, sanding,	1.75
William Mitchell, sanding,	1.75
William Marshall, sanding,	1.75
Carrol Oakes, sanding,	2.10
Scott Watt, sanding,	1.75
Artemus Fitzgerald, sanding,	.50

William Marshall, shoveling ditches,	2.80	
Clarence Knowlton, shoveling ditches,	2.80	
C. M. Mitchell, shoveling ditches,	8.00	
Dustin Donahue, shoveling ditches,	2.80	
George Bartlett, shoveling ditches,	3.67	
Joseph Evans, shoveling ditches,	3.67	
Clair Bray, raising snow fence,	1.40	
Edward Bray, raising snow fence,	2.80	
Artemus Fitzgerald, snow fence,	3.67	
William Watt, Jr., snow fence,	3.67	
		<hr/> \$671.43
March, 1937, overdraft,		126.93
		<hr/> \$798.36
March, 1938, unexpended,		39.36
		<hr/> \$837.72

## WAYS AND BRIDGES

## RECEIPTS

March, 1937, appropriation,	\$700.00	
March 1, 1938, overdraft,	32.88	
		<hr/> \$732.88

## EXPENDITURES

March 1, 1937, overdraft,	\$ 2.65
C. F. Blanchard, supplies,	24.23
C. W. Brown, 2,000 feet planks,	59.00
Stephen Blanchard, labor,	28.50
Guy L. Rainsford, 2 steel bridge signs,	11.00
Town of Abbot, labor,	7.65
C. M. Mitchell, labor,	124.00
Clinton Evans, labor,	206.95
Artemus Fitzgerald, labor,	39.00
William Marshall, labor,	48.00
Alexander Watt, labor,	15.00
Dustin Donahue, labor,	3.00

Edward Bray, labor,	15.00
Joseph Evans, labor,	40.50
Allen Fox, labor,	18.00
Fred Elliot, Jr., labor,	12.00
William Watt, Jr., labor,	1.50
Cristopher Mercer, labor,	18.00
Sheldon Blanchard, labor,	3.00
Clair Bray, labor,	3.00
Scott Watt, labor,	9.00
William Ranta, labor,	9.80
L. L. Mitchell, labor,	3.00
Fred Orth, gravel,	2.10
Fred Elliot, Jr., gravel,	4.20
Allen Fox, gravel,	3.30
W. H. Mitchell, labor,	21.50
	<hr/> \$732.88

### THIRD CLASS ROAD MAINTENANCE

#### RECEIPTS

March, 1937, appropriation,	\$106.14
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#### EXPENDITURES

C. M. Mitchell, labor,	\$11.50
Clinton Evans, labor,	52.87
Artemus Fitzgerald, labor,	7.35
Fred Elliot, Jr., labor,	5.25
Stephen Blanchard, labor,	4.20
William Marshall, labor,	2.80
William Ranta, labor,	4.50
Allen Fox, labor,	3.15
Herbert Perkins, labor,	5.63
Edward Bray, labor,	3.15
Carrol Oakes, labor,	1.40
	<hr/> \$101.80
March 1, 1938, unexpended,	4.34
	<hr/> \$106.14

**THIRD CLASS ROAD****RECEIPTS**

May 15, 1937, notice received from State Highway Commission, State apportionment, 1937, third class road money,	\$336.60
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**EXPENDITURES**

March 1, 1937, overdraft,	\$2.13
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**MAINTENANCE UNIMPROVED ROADS****RECEIPTS**

Received from State,	\$99.20	
March, 1938, overdraft,	1.00	
	<u>          </u>	\$100.20

**EXPENDITURES**

C. M. Mitchell, labor,	\$11.00	
Joseph Evans, labor,	8.40	
Fred Elliot, Jr., labor,	8.40	
William Marshall, labor,	4.20	
William Watt, Jr., labor,	7.00	
Lindley Mitchell, labor,	4.20	
Artemus Fitzgerald, labor,	5.60	
Stephen Blanchard, labor,	4.20	
William Mitchell, tractor,	12.00	
Clinton Evans, labor,	14.70	
Herbert Perkins, labor,	14.70	
Allen Fox, gravel,	5.80	
	<u>          </u>	\$100.20

1937 total State apportionment,	\$99.22
Paid treasurer Blanchard,	99.20

State, unexpended balance,	\$ .02
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**STATE OF MAINE PAUPER ACCOUNT**

Amount due town, March 1, 1937,	\$ 33.76	
Bills sent State during year,	139.20	
	<u>          </u>	\$172.96
Received from State,	\$171.20	
Items rejected to amount of	1.76	
	<u>          </u>	\$172.96

**PAUPER ACCOUNT  
RECEIPTS**

March, 1937, appropriation,	\$300.00	
Received from State treasurer, Nellie Lumbert,	171.20	
March 3, 1938, overdraft,	99.54	
	\$570.74	

**EXPENDITURES**

C. F. Blanchard, supplies, Reuben Bart- lett,	\$121.89	
T. F. Farrin, potatoes, Nellie Lumbert,	1.00	
C. F. Blanchard, supplies, Nellie Lumbert,	120.70	
A. L. Taylor, wood, Nellie Lumbert,	3.00	
Allen Fox, milk, Nellie Lumbert,	12.50	
Allen Fox, sawing and splitting wood, Nellie Lumbert,	3.00	
D. H. Poole, food, Reuben Bartlett,	2.38	
Fred Elliot, Jr., wood, Nellie Lumbert,	5.50	
Mrs. C. M. Mitchell, eggs, Reuben Bartlett,	9.25	
I. E. Goodale, potatoes, Nellie Lumbert,	2.00	
P. W. Knight & Sons, clothing, Nellie Lumbert,	4.00	
A. S. Anderson, meat, Nellie Lumbert,	19.11	
P. W. Knight & Sons, clothing, Reuben Bartlett,	9.00	
Mrs. Joseph LeClair, board, Reuben Bartlett,	80.00	
Hartley Smith, shoes, Nellie Lumbert,	2.25	
Veda Bartlett, washing, Reuben Bart- lett,	5.00	
George Bartlett, wood, Reuben Bartlett,	7.50	
George Bartlett, sawing and splitting wood, Reuben Bartlett,	12.00	
A. S. Anderson, meats, Reuben Bartlett,	6.59	
Mrs. C. M. Mitchell, milk, Nellie		

Lumbert,	5.90	
		\$132.57
March 1, 1937, overdraft,		138.17
		\$570.74

**PURCHASE OF SEAL FOR TOWN CLERK'S  
OFFICE**

**RECEIPTS**

March, 1937, unexpended balance,	\$4.37
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**EXPENDITURES**

Transferred unexpended balance to town charge account, by vote of town at annual town meeting, March 29, 1937,	\$4.37
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**DUE TOWN FROM STATE HIGHWAY  
DEPARTMENT**

March 1, 1937, due town on State aid main- tenance account,	\$43.40
March 18, 1937, received check from Highway Department,	\$43.40

**VILLAGE LOT ACCOUNT  
RECEIPTS**

March, 1937, appropriation,	\$10.00
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**EXPENDITURES**

March 1, 1937, overdraft,	\$2.85
C. F. Blanchard, mowing park,	4.50
March 1, 1938, unexpended,	2.65
	\$10.00

**NOTES PAYABLE ACCOUNT**

Due Guilford Trust Co., March 6, 1937,	\$2,250.00
Notes given during municipal year,	5,000.00
	\$7,250.00
Notes paid during year,	\$6,000.00
Notes payable, March 6, 1938,	1,250.00
	\$7,250.00



## RECEIPTS

March 6, 1937, due Guilford Trust Co.,	\$2,250.00	
New cash hired during year,	1,000.00	
		—————\$3,250.00

## EXPENDITURES

Cash paid bank during year,	\$2,000.00	
Notes payable due bank, March 6, 1938,	1,250.00	
		—————\$3,250.00

## HEALTH NURSE

## RECEIPTS

March, 1937, appropriation,		\$15.00
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## EXPENDITURES

Paid R. W. Davis,		\$15.00
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## HALL EXPENSE ACCOUNT

## RECEIPTS

March 1, 1937, unexpended balance,	\$187.55	
Received hall rent,	78.00	
		—————\$265.55

## EXPENDITURES

Paid Guilford Trust Co., interest on \$250.00 note,	\$15.00	
Paid Frank Whitney, janitor,	1.00	
Paid C. F. Blanchard, supplies, hall,	4.58	
Paid Straw & Martin, insurance 1 year for \$5,000.00,	75.00	
Paid Cecil Worster, janitor,	13.00	
March 1, 1938, unexpended,	156.97	
		—————\$265.55

## FEDERAL PROJECT

March, 1937, overdraft, caused by freight bill on dynamite, and difference in truck time, State Highway Commission would not allow,		\$1.76
March, 1938, overdraft still due,		\$1.76

**FLAG POLE ACCOUNT (SCHOOL)**

March 1, 1938, unexpended balance,	\$16.20
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**CEMETERY ACCOUNT****RECEIPTS**

March, 1937, appropriation,	\$50.00
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**EXPENDITURES**

I. E. Goodale, treasurer, board of overseers cemeteries,	\$50.00
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**FIRE EQUIPMENT ACCOUNT****RECEIPTS**

March 1, 1936, unexpended balance,	\$26.16
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**EXPENDITURES**

Arthur Day, repair and parts for fire engine,	\$19.90
March 1, 1938, unexpended balance,	6.26
	\$26.16

**STATE AND COUNTY TAX****RECEIPTS**

1937 State tax,	\$935.67
1937 county tax,	\$258.00

**EXPENDITURES**

August 27, 1937, paid county tax,	\$258.00
November 29, 1937, paid State tax,	\$935.67

**SNOW FENCE ACCOUNT**

March, 1937, unexpended balance,	\$3.16
March, 1938, unexpended balance,	\$3.16

**WIDENING OAKES ROAD**

March, 1934, overdraft,	\$5.55
March, 1938, overdraft still due,	\$5.55

## STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

March 9, 1938

## ASSETS

Cash on hand,	\$ 576.98
Stanley J. Hinch, tax deeds,	205.59
A. L. Taylor, tax deed,	59.07
Due from John Knowlton, loan note,	50.00
Due from Herbert Perkins, on account loan note,	5.94
Liabilities in excess of assets,	1,338.42
	—————\$2,236.00

## LIABILITIES

Due school fund,	\$ 686.00
Notes payable Guilford Trust Co.,	1,250.00
Estimate bills outstanding,	300.00
	—————\$2,236.00

GEORGE A. BARTLETT,  
JOSEPH EVANS,

Selectmen of Blanchard.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

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### DEBITS

To amount on hand, March 29, 1937,	\$ 232.57
To amount received from collector, 1937 taxes,	5,143.11
To amount received from collector, auto excise tax,	152.35
To amount received from State for State aid road,	1,052.23
To amount received from State for balance maintenance of State aid road, 1936,	43.40
To amount received from State for maintenance of State aid road,	163.50
To amount received from State for maintenance of unimproved roads,	99.20
To amount received from State for snow removal,	237.72
To amount received from State for school fund,	366.67
To amount received from State for Nellie Lambert, pauper,	171.20
To amount received for hall rent,	78.00
To amount received for schoolhouse stove,	5.00
To amount received for A. L. Taylor, 1936 tax deed,	33.81
To amount received for Stanley Hinch tax deeds, 1935-36,	434.70
To amount received for Butler estate tax deeds, 1935-36,	145.57
To amount received for Percy Stacy tax deed,	11.46
To amount received for Florence Watters tax deed,	23.70
To amount received from Guilford Trust Company, short term note,	1,000.00
	\$9,394.19

## CREDITS

Selectmen's orders,	\$7,623.54
County tax,	258.00
State tax,	935.67
Balance in treasury, March 12, 1938,	576.98
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	\$9,394.19

Respectfully submitted,

CLAIR B. BRAY,  
Treasurer.

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**REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF  
BLANCHARD CEMETERY  
CORPORATION**

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## RECEIPTS

Glenwood Cemetery, cash on hand, March 1, 1937,	\$278.83
Interest from Glenwood Cemetery fund,	11.09
Cash on hand, March 1, 1937,	22.72
Interest received,	2.62
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	\$315.26

## EXPENDITURES

Paid Edward Bray, conveyance to Dover-Foxcroft,	\$ 3.00
Paid Fred Orth, part rent safety deposit box,	2.00
Funds turned over to I. E. Goodale,	310.26
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	\$315.26

## REPORT OF BLANCHARD CEMETERY CORPORATION

### RECEIPTS

Received of Fred Orth, treasurer Blanchard Cemetery Association,	\$315.26	
Received interest from Guilford Trust Co., book No. 3660,	2.89	
Received from town treasurer, March appropriation,	50.00	
Received from Bertha Ames, deed for lot in Glenwood Cemetery,	10.00	
Received interest from Guilford Trust Co., book No. 8133, private,	5.32	
	\$383.47	

### EXPENDITURES

Paid Clair B. Bray, labor in cemetery,	\$ 42.00
Paid Weatherbee Plumbing Co., wheel- barrow,	6.00

### TRUST FUNDS

#### RECEIPTS

Carrie Patten,	\$ 50.00	
Etta N. Williams,	100.00	
Elvira Mitchell,	100.00	
Henry Packard,	100.00	
Flora C. Blackstone,	100.00	
Interest on Packard and Blackstone,	5.32	
	\$155.32	

#### EXPENDITURES

Funds turned over to I. E. Goodale,	\$455.32
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FRED ORTH, Treasurer,

Blanchard Cemetery Corporation.

Cash on hand in Guilford Trust Co., book No. 3660,	250.00	
Cash on hand, March 1, in treasury, Blanchard Cemetery Association,	85.47	
	<hr/>	\$383.47

### TRUST FUNDS

Henry Packard,	\$100.00	
Flora C. Blackstone,	100.00	
Elvira N. Mitchell,	101.25	
Etta Williams,	101.25	
Carrie Patten,	50.62	
Elizabeth B. Pullen,	146.25	
	<hr/>	\$599.37

Vern Knapp, \$50.00, held in trust by Cemetery Committee subject to a vote of the town.

IRVING E. GOODALE, Treasurer,  
Blanchard Cemetery Corporation.

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF MEMORIAL  
PARK**

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RECEIPTS

Cash in treasury (plus interest),	\$94.05
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EXPENDITURES

200 tulip bulbs,	\$10.00
Postage,	1.27
Fertilizer, roses, barberries, etc.,	.20
Spray roses,	.25
Labor on park,	2.50

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\$14.22

Cash in treasury (plus interest),	79.83
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(Plus interest),	\$94.05
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FRED ORTH,

Treasurer.

ELIZABETH B. FARRIN.



## REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

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To the School Committee and Citizens of Blanchard:

I am submitting herewith my annual report as your superintendent of schools. In these annual reports an attempt is made to briefly review the school activities for the past year and bring to your attention some of the plans and needs of the school for next year.

Through emergency action of a special session of the Legislature held late in October, 1937, a large increase was made in the amount of the equalization fund available for distribution to those towns sharing in the distribution. The purpose of this fund is especially to further improve the educational opportunities in towns where the school maintenance and municipal rates equal or exceed the average of the rates for the State. This year the average of the school rates for the State is .01243, while the average of the municipal rates is .05736. The school rate for the town is .00515 while the municipal rate is .0490. As compared with the rates for the town for 1936-37, the school rate has been reduced and the municipal rate has been increased.

### SCHOOL PROGRESS

We can point out no great change in school procedure or school conditions for the year. Your school officials were able to retain the same teacher for the school, and the school work has been going on very satisfactorily during the year. Perhaps it is well to make note of the fact that the school enrollment has increased considerably during the last two years. At this time we are not planning for any special changes in school procedure during the coming year. It has been mentioned in previous reports that we plan to follow in the school the work outlined in the State elementary school curriculum.

At the present time our school program must concern itself with the all-round happy and satisfying develop-

ment of our children. It includes, of course, giving children a mastery of those aspects of the three R's and of history, geography and science necessary to effective living in the world as it is. It includes the development of sound bodies and sound personalities. It includes the development of special aptitudes and interests. It includes helping children to develop a deep-rooted social consciousness that is essential to character and essential to citizenship.

To achieve with this broader type of education it is essential that we have in our schools efficient and well-trained teachers. At this time there seems to be a shortage of this type of teacher with the result that better salaries must be paid or else schools will be in charge of inefficient and poorly trained teachers. Because of the shortage of teachers and the higher cost of living, many are unwilling to accept positions in communities offering a low wage scale. It would seem that we may not long continue to secure the type of teacher we need for the school at the low wages we are now paying.

Sometimes a lack of school funds means quite a deficiency in the supply of textbooks, reference material, supplementary reading, supplies and equipment, all of which are essential as the working tools of any school. The town has been raising annually sums of money for textbooks and school supplies, but for the past two years I find that we have not been able to purchase all that the school needed for books and supplies. One can see that the needs for twenty or more pupils will be considerably more than for ten or twelve pupils, and we have been trying to furnish the needs with about the same amounts.

#### SCHOOL REPAIRS

For quite a number of years now there has been only a small sum expended annually for the upkeep of the school building, and it seems that a larger sum must be expended soon for repairs. During the past summer the walls, ceilings and floors in the two toilets were painted,

During the past summer a small amount of repairing had to be done on the roof of the building. I am not sure whether it will be necessary to shingle some parts of the roof this year or not. However, it will have to be done very soon. If you have noticed the condition of the outside of the building at all, you have noticed that there are places on the building where the paint is entirely gone. It would seem that considerable repair work should be done within a few years.

### SCHOOL FUNDS

Many towns have high tax rates and the maintenance of satisfactory schools becomes a real sacrifice on the part of the taxpayer. We should realize, however, that the appropriation of funds for the education of our children is the most important function of a municipality. Appropriations for other purposes, no matter how important they may be, should not be made at the expense of the appropriation for public education. Based on tax rates we find that the cost of public education in the town is comparatively low and the maintenance of a satisfactory school does not mean a real sacrifice on the part of the taxpayer.

In the school budget which I am submitting for your consideration I am assuming that there will be no increase in wages and that you will wish to provide for conveyance through the two winter terms as we have been doing this year. Conveyance has been furnished for the winter terms of the past two years without the town raising funds for that purpose, but you school officials cannot furnish conveyance after this year unless funds are raised for that purpose. There are four students attending some high or secondary school, but three of these will finish this year. There are six pupils enrolled in the eighth grade this year. If some of these plan to attend some high or secondary school, the number attending such schools may be larger for another year. It may be that you will need to appropriate nearly two hundred dollars for high school tuition purposes.

I have already mentioned the need for additional funds for textbooks. At the present time there are unpaid bills amounting to nearly fourteen dollars for books we are now using in the school. It seems that in order to pay these bills and provide the new books that will be needed during the year, a larger sum should be raised for textbooks at the annual meeting this year. A small increase is recommended in the amount raised for school supplies.

The appropriation for school repairs might depend upon what you think we should plan to do about the school building this coming year. As it is hard to estimate what any special work might cost, it might be advisable to raise any sum that you can and then plan to do what can be done with the funds made available. Of course a small sum should be raised anyway for general repairs. There is only a small sum now available for school repairs.

### THE SCHOOL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS, ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ACCOUNT

The estimate for expenditures:

Teachers' wages,	\$615.00	
School fuel,	40.00	
Janitor services,	50.00	
School conveyance, 14 weeks.	135.00	
	\$840.00	

Estimated receipts from:

State funds and interest funds,	\$190.00	
Town funds,	650.00	
	\$840.00	

## Appropriations recommended :

Elementary school account,	\$650.00
High school account,	200.00
Free textbook account,	40.00
School supply account,	30.00
School insurance account,	18.75
School repairs account,	20.00 to 100.00
School nurse account,	15.00
Superintendent of schools, salary,	74.00

Under the heading of Financial Statements is given the information regarding funds raised for school purposes, the funds received from the State and applied to school accounts, together with the expenditures made during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. SIDELINGER,

Superintendent of Schools.

February 24, 1938.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**For 1937-1938**

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**ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ACCOUNT**  
**RECEIPTS**

Unexpended, 1936,	\$314.81	
Raised by town,	500.00	
State school fund,	150.00	
Interest receipts,	41.16	
	\$1,005.97	

**EXPENDITURES**

Teacher's wages: Beatrix E	\$ 598.00	
Fuel account:		
Fritz Elliott,	\$27.50	
William Magher,	8.50	
Kenneth Blanchard,	2.00	
	38.00	
Janitor account:		
Beatrix E. Bray,	\$36.00	
Mrs. Janie Watt,	8.00	
Kenneth Blanchard,	5.00	
C. F. Blanchard,	1.95	
	50.95	
School conveyance:		
Percy Richardson,	\$54.00	
Edward Bray,	79.00	
	133.00	
Unexpended, 1937,		186.02

## FREE TEXTBOOK ACCOUNT

## RECEIPTS

Unexpended, 1936,	\$ .92	
Raised by town,	25.00	
	<u>          </u>	\$25.92

## EXPENDITURES

Silver, Burdett & Co.,	\$ 4.22	
Ginn & Co.,	14.41	
D. C. Heath & Co.,	6.69	
	<u>          </u>	\$25.32

Unexpended, 1937,		\$ .60
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## SCHOOL SUPPLY ACCOUNT

## RECEIPTS

Unexpended, 1936,	\$ 1.22	
Raised by town,	25.00	
	<u>          </u>	\$26.22

                                  
\$1,005.97

## HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT

## RECEIPTS

Unexpended, 1936,	\$241.50	
Raised by town,	100.00	
State school fund,	216.67	
	<u>          </u>	\$558.17

## EXPENDITURES

Higgins Classical Institute:		
Marion Bartlett,	\$100.00	
Kenneth Blanchard,	40.00	
	<u>          </u>	\$140.00

Monson Academy:		
Charles Mitchell,	\$75.00	
Rachel Blanchard,	75.00	
Barbara Blanchard,	45.00	
	<u>          </u>	195.00

Unexpended, 1937,		223.17
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\$558.17

## EXPENDITURES

C. L. Sidelinger,	\$5.55	
J. L. Hammett Co.,	6.40	
Edward E. Babb & Co.,	9.31	
	<hr/>	\$21.26
Unexpended, 1937,		<hr/> \$4.96

## SCHOOL REPAIRS ACCOUNT

## RECEIPTS

Unexpended, 1936,	\$22.49	
Sale of stove,	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$27.49

## EXPENDITURES

Kenneth Blanchard,	\$16.00	
C. L. Sidelinger,	4.15	
	<hr/>	\$20.15
Unexpended, 1937,		<hr/> \$7.34

## SUPERINTENDENCE ACCOUNT

## RECEIPTS

Unexpended, 1936,	\$ 4.80	
Raised by town,	55.20	
Overdraft, 1937,	5.60	
	<hr/>	\$65.60

## EXPENDITURES

C. L. Sidelinger, salary,	\$65.60
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## REPORT OF COUNTY NURSING SERVICE

To the Selectmen and Citizens of Blanchard:

Our objectives, promotion of health and efficiency together with prevention of disease by early detection of correctible defects with such correction and education in all matters affecting a person's health, physically, mentally or socially, have been carried out in your town for the period of February 1, 1937 to 1938, as follows:

As announced in last year's report, the supervision of the care of mothers and pre-school children has been carried on by the State nurse. Our endeavors have been more or less concentrated upon the school child and the tuberculosis patient, together with as much assistance as could be given in social problems.

The annual school inspection was given a little late because of epidemic work done in other parts of the county, but November saw all children in school having received the inspection. Statistics for the inspection are as follows:

Total number receiving inspection .....	22
Total number who showed symptoms of defects .....	12
Potential seven-point pupils .....	10
Pupils who have had corrections .....	8
Symptoms of defects noted:	
Vision .....	1
Teeth .....	8
10% or more underweight .....	2
Nose and throat .....	7
Communicable skin disease .....	7

The records show that two children have had toxoid and five have been vaccinated against smallpox.

Following school inspection and at a later date home visits were paid to the twenty-two children in their homes. Instruction regarding the nursing care of im-

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petigo and pediculosis was given at this time.

Office visits have been received in regard to social welfare and referred to the proper authorities.

Since your town has never had tuberculin tests in the schools, we are suggesting this as one of the coming year's objectives. We would also suggest consideration of toxoid for all children under ten years of age. Vaccination against smallpox is another prevention of disease which is desirable. Isolation of persons suffering with "colds," which are often forerunners of epidemics of measles, whooping cough and scarlet fever, as well as prompt exclusion from school and immediate treatment of cases of communicable skin disease, such as scabies (itch), impetigo and pediculi (lice), all tend to better community health. We would suggest coöperation of parents in getting the necessary dental and throat certificates to qualify the children who are potential seven-pointers. It will be noted that almost 50% of the children might be eligible for the awards, and this is a very good number.

Recommendations have been made to the superintendent of school in regard to improved lighting of the schoolroom and some other simple procedures which might be helpful to the school environment.

In closing we wish to thank all citizens for their coöperation and interest.

Respectfully submitted,  
PISCATAQUIS COUNTY  
NURSING SERVICE,  
By LOUISE B. NICHOLS, R. N.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT

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I have examined these reports and find them correct.

HUGH A. FOX,  
Auditor.

March 12, 1938.