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Auditor's Report

Augusta, Maine
January 13, 1939

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Blanchard:

This is to certify that this department, represented by Mr. F. A. Doble, has completed an audit of the accounts of your town officials for the municipal year ended March 1, 1939.

Our auditor reports that he found the records of your town officers in excellent condition and that he was able to verify all transactions very easily.

The only criticism which we can offer is in regard to the practice of the Selectmen in crediting collections on back taxes to their Town Charges account. This is not proper, as the actual credit covered by these back taxes has already been used in previous years and if used again when the money is actually received by your Treasurer, it would tend to increase, rather than decrease, any indebtedness which your town might have.

We have removed the credits from your Town Charges and placed them in the proper accounts.

The schedules contained in this report are as follows:

Comparative Balance Sheet with Proof of Change in Net Debt.
Report of Treasurer with Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash Balance.
Summary of Overdraft and Unexpended Balances.
List of Cemetery Trust Funds.
Summary of Accounts and Comparative Balance Sheets.

We wish to thank your town officials for the cooperation given us during the course of this audit.

Respectfully submitted,

STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT,
Harold E. Crawford,
Chief Auditor.
Town Warrant

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

GREETING:

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 in Monday, the twenty-seventh day of March, A. D. 1939, at one o'clock in the afternoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 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 and appropriate for elementary and secondary schools, including teachers' wages, fuel, janitor services, tuition, textbooks, and school supplies.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money 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 school house.

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

Art. 16. To see what sum the town will vote to raise and appropriate for town charges.

Art. 17. To see what sum the town will vote to raise and appropriate for ways and bridges.

Art. 18. To see what sum the town will vote to raise and appropriate for State aid maintenance and patrol.

Art. 19. To see what action the town will take regarding filling in road both sides of Blackstone Brook on the Carroll Oakes road, so-called, and raise and appropriate money for same.

Art. 20. To see what action the town will take regarding filling up two or three mud holes on the Carrol Oakes road, so-called.

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 $126.00 for the maintenance of improved section 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, or 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 if the town will vote to buy an adding machine and vote to raise and appropriate money for the same.
Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to sell the town office, and if so what price they would put on it.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay Monson Band for Memorial Day at Blanchard.

Art. 30. To see what action the town will take regarding extending the town way on Carrol Oakes' road, so-called.

Art. 31. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the services of the public health nurse.

Art. 32. To see what sum the town will vote to raise and appropriate for insurance on town hall.

Art. 33. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate $41.16 for interest on school fund.

Art. 34. 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. 35. 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, and to see what method the town will adopt for the collection of taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 36. To see what sum 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. 37. 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. 38. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for buying snow fence.
Art. 39. To see what the town will do in regard to the care of both cemeteries and raise and appropriate money for the same.

Art. 40. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of Memorial Park.

Art. 41. 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 legally 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 under our hands this sixteenth day of March, A. D. 1939.

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

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor
GEORGE A. BARTLETT
FRED ORTH
JOSEPH EVANS

Town Clerk
M. W. BISHOP

Tax Collector
CLAIR B. BRAY

Road Commissioner
C. M. MITCHELL

School Committee
HUGH ALLEN FOX
PERCY RICHARDSON

Health Officer
FRED ORTH

Superintendent of Schools
C. L. SIDELINGER

Town Treasurer
CLAIR B. BRAY

Auditor
STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT

CEMETERY COMMITTEE
GEORGE A. BARTLETT
HUGH ALLEN FOX
IRVING E. GOODALE
# Report of Assessors

**VALUATION, APRIL 1, 1938**

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**Tax Rate .055**

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GEORGE A. BARTLETT,  
JOSEPH EVANS,  
Assessors of Blanchard.
**Report of Selectmen**

**LIST OF APPROPRIATIONS MARCH, 1938**

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$4,369 91

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<td>Overlay</td>
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Total commitment $5,660 12
## Report of Tax Collector

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<td><strong>Total valuation</strong></td>
<td><strong>$100,402.00</strong></td>
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- **Tax Rate**: .055
- **No. of Polls taxed**: 46
- **No. of Polls not taxed**: 4

\[
\text{Real Estate } \times 0.055 = \$ 5,443.85
\]

\[
\text{Personal Estate } \times 0.055 = \$ 78.27
\]

\[
46 \text{ Polls } @ \$3.00 = 5,660.12
\]

**Cash paid to Treasurer**: \$5,660.12

In the \$5,660.12 is included a warrant to Treas. covering:

- **Tax Deeds**: \$130.88
- **Abatements**: 13.64
- **Discounts**: 119.07

**Excise Taxes collected**: \$117.18

- **Warrant to Treas.**: \$263.59
Report of Treasurer

**RECEIPTS**

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<td><strong>$ 10,887.74</strong></td>
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### Promotion of Industries

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<td>Abatements &amp; Discounts</td>
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<td>Town hall account</td>
<td>178 15</td>
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<td>1938 Tax Deeds</td>
<td>130 88</td>
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<td>Accounts payable</td>
<td>248 75</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>$ 10,226 33</strong></td>
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**Cash on hand** 661 41

**Total** 10,887 74

### COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

#### ASSETS

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<th>Description</th>
<th>1937</th>
<th>1938</th>
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<td>Treasurer's Cash</td>
<td>$ 576 98</td>
<td>$ 661 41</td>
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<td>1938 Tax Deeds</td>
<td>264 66</td>
<td>59 07</td>
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<td>Notes Receivable</td>
<td>55 94</td>
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<td>686 00</td>
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<td>Acc' ts Receivable, Town</td>
<td>532 53</td>
<td>49 08</td>
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<td>School Fund</td>
<td>1,384 95</td>
<td>302 91</td>
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<td>Overdrafts bro't forward</td>
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<td>Liabilities over Assets</td>
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<td>2,603 40</td>
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**Total** 4,097 31  2,603 40

#### LIABILITIES

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<td>Unexpended balances bro't for'd</td>
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## CHANGE IN NET DEBT

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<td>Net debt at beginning of year</td>
<td>$1,384.95</td>
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<td>Less Town hall note paid</td>
<td>$250.00</td>
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<td>School Fund entered twice</td>
<td>$686.00</td>
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<td>Net Unexpended balances bro’t to net debt</td>
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<td>Net debt at end of year</td>
<td>$303.01</td>
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General Government

RECEIPTS

Appropriation $ 800 00
Overdraft carried to summary of account 128 30

$ 928 30

EXPENDITURES

Officers' Salaries
Percy Richardson (town clerk) $ 10 00
Fred Orth (health officer) 15 00
George A. Bartlett (selectman) 100 00
Fred Orth (selectman) 40 00
Joseph Evans (selectman) 40 00
Allen Fox (school committee) 5 00
Percy Richardson (school committee) 5 00
Isola Decker (school committee) 5 00
Clair Bray (treasurer) 50 00
Clair Bray (tax collector's commission) 169 34

$ 439 34

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

Printing and stationery $ 110 90
Express on Federal food 32 57
Surety bonds for officers 28 30
Telephone and postage 30 13
Care of tramps 5 25
Transfers 60
Service charges at bank 6 80

$ 214 55
MISCELLANEOUS AND INCIDENTAL EXPENSES

Election expenses $ 14 50
Rent for Sealer of Weights and Measures outfit 10 00
Legal services 62 50
Dog licenses 23 00
Auditing town books 45 16
Travel expense 108 00
Road signs 10 00
Vital statistics 1 25

$ 274 41

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

RECEIPTS

Appropriation $ 15 00

EXPENDITURES

Paid R. W. Davis, treas. $ 15 00

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

RECEIPTS

Appropriation $ 700 00

EXPENDITURES

Payrolls $ 263 57
Trucks 191 29
Materials and Supplies 197 54
Unexpended balance carried to summary of accounts 47 60

$ 700 00

MAINTENANCE OF UNIMPROVED ROADS

RECEIPTS

Received from State $ 77 79
Overdraft carried to summary of accounts

EXPENDITURES

Paid payrolls $ 24.80
Trucks 42.30
Materials and supplies 10.70

STATE AID ROAD CONSTRUCTION

RECEIPTS

Appropriation $ 150.00
Rec'd from State treasurer 833.15
Rec'd from State treasurer 5.62

EXPENDITURES

Overdrafts bro't forward $ 526.93
Payrolls 16.93
Trucks 25.32
Materials 6.50
State of Maine, use of loader 6.00
State of Maine, application of tar 401.49
Unexpended carried to summary 5.60

STATE AID MAINTENANCE

RECEIPTS

Appropriation $ 200.00
Received from State of Maine 166.50
Overdraft carried to summary 178.22

EXPENDITURES

Payrolls $ 217.05
Trucks 242 92
Materials and supplies 84 75

$ 544 72

THIRD CLASS ROAD CONSTRUCTION
RECEIPTS
Received from State $ 677 03
Transferred from 3rd Class road 39 91

$ 716 94

EXPENDITURES
Payrolls $ 383 11
Trucks 304 53
Materials and supplies 29 30

$ 716 94

MAINTENANCE OF THIRD CLASS ROAD
RECEIPTS
Appropriation $ 116 00
State Treasurer reimbursement payroll 106 00

$ 222 00

EXPENDITURES
Payrolls $ 34 85
Trucks 37 12
Materials and supplies 4 05
Carried to 3rd class construction 39 91
Unexpended carried to summary 106 07

$ 222 00

REPAIRS TO OAKES’ ROAD
RECEIPTS
Appropriation $ 200 00
## EXPENDITURES

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## EXPENDITURES

### Town Roads

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### State Aid Roads

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### 3rd Class & Taylor Road

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EXPENDITURES
Paid account Ervin Spencer $ 47.72
Flora LeClair 47.08

$ 94.80

NOTES AND INTEREST
Temporary Loans

RECEIPTS
Received from Guilford Trust Co. $ 1,500.00

EXPENDITURES
Paid Guilford Trust Co. $ 1,500.00

INTEREST ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS
Overdraft carried to summary $ 80.89

EXPENDITURES
Interest on Hall note $ 7.50
Interest on Permanent Loan 50.00
Interest on Temporary Loans 23.39

$ 80.89

SCHOOL FUND INTEREST

RECEIPTS
Appropriation $ 41.16

EXPENDITURES
Paid School Dept. $ 41.16

OVERLAY AND SUPPLEMENTARY TAX

RECEIPTS
Appropriation $ 96.54

EXPENDITURES
Unexpended balance carried to summary $ 96.54
EXCISE TAX
RECEIPTS
Received from collector $117.18

EXPENDITURES
Unexpended balance carried to summary $117.18

TOWN HALL ACCOUNT
RECEIPTS
Unexpended balance bro’t for’d $156.97
Hall rent 12.00
Overdraft carried to summary 9.18

EXPENDITURES
Paid for fuel $10.00
Materials and supplies 94
Janitor service 7.00
Insurance 75.00
Painting and repairs 85.21

MAINE MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION
RECEIPTS
Appropriation $15.00

EXPENDITURES
Paid Maine Municipal Association $15.00

PROMOTION OF INDUSTRIES
RECEIPTS
Appropriation $100.00

EXPENDITURES
Paid Irving E. Goodale $100.00
### ABATEMENTS AND DISCOUNTS

#### RECEIPTS

Overdraft carried to summary of Accounts
- **Abatements**: $13,64
- **Discounts**: 119.07

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**Total:** $132.71

#### EXPENDITURES

- **Paid tax collector**: $132.71

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### STATE TAX

#### RECEIPTS

- **Appropriation**: $935.67

#### EXPENDITURES

- **Paid State of Maine**: $935.67

### COUNTY TAX

#### RECEIPTS

- **Appropriation**: $258.00

#### EXPENDITURES

- **Paid State of Maine**: $258.00

### CARE OF CEMETERIES

#### RECEIPTS

- **Appropriation**: $50.00

#### EXPENDITURES

- **Paid Cemetery committee**: $50.00

### CARE OF MEMORIAL PARK

#### RECEIPTS

- **Appropriation**: $10.00

#### EXPENDITURES

- **Labor**: $6.05
Materials 3 49
Unexpended carried to summary 46

\[ \text{\underline{\$ 10 00}} \]

**TOWN HALL NOTE**

**RECEIPTS**

Appropriation $ 250 00

**EXPENDITURES**

Paid Guilford Trust Co. $ 250 00

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE**

**RECEIPTS**

Estimated at end of last year $ 300 00

**EXPENDITURES**

Officers’ salaries:
- George A. Bartlett $ 100 00
- Irving E. Goodale 40 00
- Joseph Evans 40 00
- M. W. Bishop 13 75
- Clair B. Bray 50 00
- H. L. Fox 5 00
Balance carried to summary 51 25

\[ \text{\underline{\$ 300 00}} \]

**SUMMARY OF OVERDRAFTS AND UNEXPENDED BALANCES**

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GEORGE A. BARTLETT,
JOSEPH EVANS,
Selectmen of Blanchard.
Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee and Citizens of Blanchard:

I am submitting herewith my annual report as your superintendent of schools. In our annual reports one can discuss but briefly the school condition and needs in the town. As citizens you are deeply interested in the matter of giving to your youth the highest type of educational opportunity consistent with financial resources.

TAX RATES AND EQUALIZATION

Tax rates in a measure determine the right of towns to share in the distribution of the equalization fund. The purpose of this fund is to improve educational opportunities beyond those made possible by local tax levies in towns where 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 .01270 while the average of the municipal rate is .057. The school rate for the town is .00565 while the municipal rate is .055. You can see that the school rate for the town is less than one half the average of the school rates for the state while the municipal rate for the town is just below the average of the rates for the state.

SCHOOL PROGRESS

We have no plans for making any radical changes in the school program for the present. The town is main-
taining only one school and we find very few changes in school conditions since last year. There are only thirty persons in the town of school age, so the school enrollment in the town can never be very large. However, we should give as much attention to the school program of a small school as we would to a school program for a large school.

During the last decade investigators of reading difficulties have brought into use a new term—reading readiness. They have demonstrated that in order for a child to read successfully he must possess certain abilities, otherwise any effort to read is bound to end in some degree of failure. This becomes of vital significance to those interested in children just beginning with reading. Early in the fall term this reading readiness program was introduced in our schools. While this procedure in most cases means postponing the introduction to reading it also means that each child will have a reasonable assurance of success in his later venture in actual reading.

The program of safety education in the schools has become very important. Highway safety is foremost in the minds of most people because of the rapid increase in the use of highways for mechanized transportation. Perhaps the great stress on highway safety comes through the large publicity given to highway accidents. There should be a never-ending vigilance exerted to the end that the accidents and deaths with their accompanying burden of economic and personal loss may be reduced to the very minimum. In planning a safety program we must keep in mind that there are other dangers in our modern life which are exacting their toll from careless or unsuspecting victims. Due to the heavy teacher loads in our schools it is impossible to use full periods for safety teaching, but through intergradation the schools do good safety work.

During the present school year the Commissioner of
Education called attention to the desirability of including the fine arts, such as music, drawing, painting, dancing, dramatics and the like, wherever possible in school curriculums. In many ways it may be desirable and essential that these courses be made available for all of our pupils. One may think of the art subjects as possessing merely avocational possibilities, but the opportunity for the people to have some knowledge of the art subjects in the way of lucrative employment is becoming almost unlimited. It is claimed that it is not at all difficult for any community to make provision for these courses.

INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIAL

In addition to funds for textbooks and school supplies there should be funds available for purchasing reference material, supplementary reading, equipment, maps, globes and charts, all of which are essential as working tools of any school. The town raises each year small sums for textbooks and for supplies, but the town has not been raising any funds specially for some of the other items included in instructional material. From funds raised last March for textbooks and supplies we have been able to furnish the school with some new reference material. The expenditure for textbooks was so large during the year that no money was available for supplementary reading. From fund raised for the coming year we should plan to purchase for the school some supplementary reading and one new globe. I think the appropriations for textbooks and supplies should be as large for the coming year as they were for this year. In estimating the possible need for new textbooks for the coming year I have in mind the unusual large enrollment in the third grade. Many new books will be needed for this class during the new year.
SCHOOL FUNDS

In planning the new school budget we may assume that expenditures for teachers' salaries, fuel, and janitor purposes will remain about the same as they have been for the past year. If conveyance is needed there should be money raised for that purpose also. The amount now unexpended in the elementary school account will not be sufficient to pay for any increase in the cost for maintaining the school and for a large part of the cost of conveyance. Therefore, any money that may be needed for elementary school purposes during the year should be raised at the annual meeting in March.

At the present time there are five students from the town attending high school which means an annual cost of $375 or more. A small sum should be raised for tuition purpose so that there may be at least $375 available for that purpose.

During the past year considerable work was done on the roof of the school building and that of the wood shed. It is possible that you may need to shingle the rest of the roof this coming summer. Based on the cost for the part of the roof already shingled considerable money will be needed to finish with the shingling. In case money was raised to finish with the shingling and later it was not thought necessary to do that this coming year, the money might well be used to start with painting the outside of the building.

A small sum will be needed for insurance on the school building. As the present policy is with a mutual company the cost for a new policy will be reduced one-fifty from the usual cost.
SCHOOL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Estimate for Expenditures:
- Teachers' wages $615 00
- School fuel 40 00
- Janitor purposes 50 00
- School conveyance 170 00

Total $875 00

Estimate for Receipts:
- State funds and interest $200 00
- Appropriation by town 675 00

Total $875 00

Appropriations suggested:
- Elementary school account $675 00
- High school account 175 00
- Free textbook account 50 00
- School supply account 30 00
- School insurance account 30 00
- School repairs account 75 00
- School nurse account 15 00
- Superintendence account 68 40

Under the heading of Financial Statistics is given information regarding funds raised by the town for school purposes, funds received from the state and applied to school accounts, together with expenditures made during this municipal year.

Respectfully submitted,
C. L. SIDELINGER,
February 20, 1939. Superintendent of Schools.
FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1938-1939

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Unexpended, 1937 $ 186 02
Raised by town 550 00
State School Fund 165 62
Interest receipts 41 16

$ 942 80

EXPENDITURES

Teachers’ wages:
Beatrix E. Bray $ 612 00

Fuel account:
Fritz Elliott $ 27 50
Sheldon Blanchard 5 00

$ 32 50

Janitor purposes:
Beatrix E. Bray $ 36 00
Veda Bartlett 8 00
C. F. Blanchard 4 20

$ 48 20

School conveyance:
Edward Bray $ 135 00
Unexpended, 1938 $ 115 10

$ 942 80

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Unexpended, 1937 $ 223 17
Raised by town 100 00
State School Fund 233 33

$ 556 50
## EXPENDITURES

**Higgins Classical Institute:**
- Marion Bartlett: $60.00
- Kenneth Blanchard: $60.00

Total: $120.00

**Monson Academy:**
- Charles Mitchell: $45.00
- Rachel Blanchard: $75.00
- Reginald Blanchard: $30.00
- Karlene Blanchard: $30.00
- Barbara Richardson: $30.00
- Phyllis Richardson: $30.00

Total: $240.00

Unexpended, 1938: $196.50

Total: $556.50

## FREE TEXTBOOK ACCOUNT

### RECEIPTS
- Unexpended, 1937: $60.00
- Raised by town: $50.00

Total: $50.60

### EXPENDITURES
- Ginn and Company: $15.43
- American Book Company: $4.73
- Row, Peterson & Co: $8.65
- Silver Burdett Company: $9.23
- John C. Winston Co.: $6.48
- R. W. Wagner Company: $5.40
- Unexpended, 1938: $68.00

Total: $50.60

## SCHOOL SUPPLY ACCOUNT

### RECEIPTS
- Unexpended, 1937: $4.96
Raised by town 30 00

EXPENDITURES

C. L. Sidelinger $ 6 25
R. W. Wagner Company 3 90
J. L. Hammett Company 5 12
Edward E. Babb & Co. 14 40
Unexpended, 1938 5 29

SCHOOL REPAIRS ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Unexpended, 1937 $ 7 34
Raised by town 100 00

EXPENDITURES

C. F. Blanchard $ 2 61
Kenneth Blanchard 22 50
Charles Decker 34 00
C. C. Brown 34 00
C. L. Sidelinger 10 65
Unexpended, 1938 3 58

INSURANCE ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Raised by town $ 18 75

EXPENDITURES

F. M. Hescock $ 18 75

SUPERINTENDENCE ACCOUNT

RECEIPTS

Raised by town $ 74 00
EXPENDITURES

Overdraft, 1937  $  5 60
C. L. Sidelinger, salary  68 40

$  74 00

PISCATAQUIS COUNTY NURSING SERVICE

To the Selectmen and Citizens of Blanchard, Maine:

Following is a report of public health nursing service given by the county organization to your town during the past year:

HEALTH EDUCATION in the home and in the school with special attention to symptoms of defects needing correction found at school inspection and which may later be handicapping to the child as well as to problems of tuberculosis prevention has been our prime accomplishment in your town this past year.

During the summer several office calls from Blanchard residents received attention and arrangements were made for tuberculin testing of school children later in the season.

In October the Tuberculosis Clinic Nurse from the Bureau of Institutions came to the county for the purpose of giving the Von Pirquet Test in the rural areas. Blanchard was included in this group and tests were given to 16 of your school children. Two days later another visit was paid to the school for reading the tests and no reactors were found. No cases of pulmonary tuberculosis have been reported to me as being in your town for many years and it is reasonable to suppose there is no ground for worry about this disease there for the present at least.

In November the annual physical inspection was given to 19 pupils in school. Statistics are as follows:
Underweight but gaining sufficiently ....... 1
Pupils who passed the vision test success-
  fully .................................................. 17
Pupils who passed the hearing test
  successfully ......................................... 19
Pupils who showed no sign of dental
  defects ................................................ 11
Pupils who showed no sign of nose or
  throat defects ....................................... 12
Pupils who appeared to be well and
  properly nourished .................................. 14
Correction of defects noted at last inspection
  Vision .................................................... 1
  Teeth ..................................................... 1
  Throat ................................................... 1

Stress was put upon postural habits. Notices of
  symptoms of defects were sent to parents and in some
  instances taken up with a member of the family.

Inquiry showed that several of the school children in
  Blanchard have already received immunization against
diphtheria and small pox. I was much pleased to note
  this progressive step. Altho' we have not in recent
  years been visited by the severe epidemics of olden
  days, we may have them descend upon us unexpectedly
  and too late to receive sufficient immunization. These
  are modern procedures in school and community health
  and may be had at a very low cost. It would seem that
  immunizations are topics to be considered in our health
  program this coming year and if sufficient people are
  interested in taking these measures of precaution
  either as a project in school health or community wel-
  fare, and will make known their interest, arrangements
  can be made for this.

It is desirable that all children entering school, un-
  less contra-indicated by the family physician for a good
  and sufficient reason, have these immunizations before
  they start school, but since there are so many in the
schools who have not been immunized a general project is to be considered.

In closing I wish to express my appreciation of the cooperation of all persons who have contributed in any way to the work of our organization whether it be by supporting town appropriations or purchasing Christmas Seals as these two methods are our means of meeting the budget necessary to carry on the work.

Respectfully submitted,

PISCATAQUIS COUNTY NURSING SERVICE,
by Louise B. Nichols.

BLANCHARD CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT
Cash on hand Mar. 1938 $ 85 47
Rec'd from Town Treasurer appropriation 50 00
Rec'd dividends from Trust funds 13 77

$ 149 24

EXPENDITURES
Paid Geo. Bartlett, on lawnmower $ 6 00
Alden Warman, canvass 3 50
Chas. Decker, labor in cemetery 5 00
Geo. Bartlett, labor in cemetery 20 00
A. R. Day, repairs on lawnmower 3 00
Geo. Bartlett, labor in cemetery 25 50
Geo. Pullen, supplies 9 60
Geo. Bartlett, labor in cemetery 22 00

$ 94 60
Cash on hand
In Bank Guilford Trust Co (Book 3660)

Total

$ 308 61

TRUST FUNDS

Henry Packard $ 100 00
Flora C. Blackstone 100 00
Etta Williams 100 00
Carrie Patten 50 00
Elizabeth B. Pullen
   in Bank $125.00) 146 25
   (cash on hand 21.25) 146 25
Frank Searing 50 00
Vern Knapp 50 00

$ 696 25

IRVING E. GOODALE, Treas.

MEMORIAL PARK

RECEIPTS

Cash in treasury $ 79 83
Interest 4 77

$ 84 60

EXPENDITURES

Labor and truck, 2 days $ 18 00
Labor, 2 days 6 00

$ 24 00

Cash in treasury $ 60 60

$ 84 60

Truck, H. Perkins
Labor, S. Blanchard

FRED ORTH, Treas.
E. B. FARIN, Pres.
ISOLA DECKER, Vice Pres.