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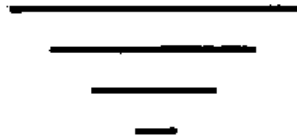
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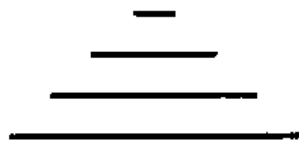
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# ANNUAL REPORT



TOWN OF

*STOW*



*Year Ending December 31st*

*1949*

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# **ANNUAL REPORT**

OF THE

# **MUNICIPAL OFFICERS**

OF THE

# **TOWN OF STOW**

FOR THE

**Year Ending December 31st**

**1949**

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Advertiser-Democrat Print, Norway, Maine

1950

# Town Officers

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*Selectmen*

H. S. EMERSON

M. M. EASTMAN

W. A. SAMPSON

*Treasurer*

RUTH BRYANT

*Clerk*

H. S. EMERSON

*Road Commissioner*

SIMEON CHARLES

*Tax Collector*

IRVING BRYANT

*Superintendent of Schools*

MERLE S. JONES

*School Committee*

MAURICE EASTMAN

ERVILLE FERNALD

IRVING BRYANT

*Constable*

IRVING BRYANT

*Health Officer*

IRVING BRYANT

*Sealer of Weights and Measures*

*Auditor*

L. EVERETT OUTHOUSE

# Warrant for Town Meeting

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To Irving Bryant, Constable of the Town of Stow, County of Oxford, Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Stow, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town House in said town, on Monday, the sixth day of March, A. D. 1950 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

- Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2. To choose a town clerk for the ensuing year.
- Art. 3. To allow accounts.
- Art. 4. To choose selectmen, assessors and overseers of the poor for the ensuing year.
- Art. 5. To choose a school committee for three years.
- Art. 6. To choose a town treasurer for the ensuing year.
- Art. 7. To choose a road commissioner for the ensuing year.
- Art. 8. To choose all other town officers for the ensuing year.
- Art. 9. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for common schools for the ensuing year.
- Art. 10. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for school books, apparatus and appliances for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for repairs of schoolhouses for the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for high school purposes for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for repairs of roads and bridges for the ensuing year.

Art. 14. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for support of poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise for town officers bills for the ensuing year.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for State Aid road construction (in addition to the amounts raised for the care of the ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Section 19, Chapter 28, Revised Statutes of 1930, or under the provisions of Section 3, Chapter 29, Public Laws 1937.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to cooperate with the Maine Forest Service and the Federal Government in the control of the White Pine Blister Rust in accordance with Revised Statutes, Chapter 32, Section 54.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote to grant and raise to pay snow bills.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to grant and raise \$60.00 for electric lights.

Art. 20. To see if the town will raise and appropriate \$10.00 for public health work in Stow, said sum to be expended by the Bureau of Health, State Department of Health and Welfare, in co-operation with local authorities.

Art. 21. To see what disposal the town will vote to make of any money received of the Federal Reserve during the present fiscal year, such money must be used for schools or roads to comply with the law.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to procure a temporary loan or loans in anticipation of taxes for the purpose of paying the indebtedness of the town, such notes to be paid during the current municipal year by taxes.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to give a two per cent discount on taxes paid before July 1, 1950.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote for one-half of all orders drawn after June 1, 1950, to be turned in on taxes until paid.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to dispose of any property acquired through tax deeds or liens.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote to raise money and how much for the care of the Stow Corner Cemetery and the Emerson Cemetery.

Art. 27. To see whether or not the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (\$25.00) twenty-five dollars to be paid to the State of Maine Publicity Bureau to be expended and used for advertising the natural resources, advantages and attractions of the State of Maine, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 80, Section 95, of the Revised Statutes of Maine.

Art. 28. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

The selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Town House on Monday, the sixth day of March, 1950 at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to revise the list of voters. Given under our hands at Stow, January 25, 1950.

H. S. EMERSON,  
M. M. EASTMAN,  
W. A. SAMPSON,

Selectmen of Stow

# Selectmen's Report

## VALUATION

Real Estate, resident	\$40,050 00	
Real Estate, non-resident	69,589 00	
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Total Real Estate		\$109,639 00
Personal Estate, resident	\$13,060 00	
Personal Estate, non-resident	4,880 00	
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Total Personal Estate		\$ 17,940 00
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Grand Total Estate		\$127,579 00

## TAXABLE LIVE STOCK

	No.	Av. Value	Total Value
Horses	10	\$103+	\$ 1,035 00
Steers	5	56	280 00
Cows	94	93-	8,730 00
Heifers two years and over	14	49+	690 00
Heifers 18 months to 2 years	5	30	150 00
Domestic Fowl over 50 in number	1,980	1	1,980 00
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Total amount			\$ 12,865 00

## OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY

Stock in Trade		\$ 1,000 00
Lumber	240M	3,600 00
Gasoline Pumps	3	325 00
Tractor	1	150 00
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Total		\$ 5,075 00
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Total Amount Personal Property		\$ 17,940 00



## EXEMPT LIVE STOCK

	No.	Av. Value	Total Value
Cattle under 18 months	8	\$ 24—	\$ 190 00
Sheep to 35 in number	1	10	10 00
Swine to 10 in number	11	17	185 00
Domestic Fowl to 50 in number	<del>158</del>	1	158 00
Total Amount			\$ 543 00

## ASSESSMENTS

Common Schools	\$ 2,011 00
School Books and Supplies	100 00
Repair of schoolhouse and hot lunches	25 00
High school purposes	150 00
Roads and Bridges	500 00
Town Officers' Bills	600 00
Snow Removal	700 00
Electric Lights	60 00
Health Nurse	10 00
Care of Cemeteries	50 00
Repair of Town House	50 00
Amount Raised by Town	\$ 4,256 00
State Tax	\$ 928 36
County Tax	442 88
Overlay	233 81
Fractional gain of	05
	\$ 1,605 10
Total Assessment	\$ 5,861 10
Supplemental poll taxes	15 00
Number of Polls Taxed, 40.	
Number Polls not Taxed, 5.	
Rate of Taxation, .045; Rate of Collection, .0175.	

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 SUPPORT OF POOR

Balance from last year	\$ 200 00
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## STATE TAX

Raised by Town	\$ 928 36
Paid State Treasurer	928 36

## COUNTY TAX

Raised by Town	\$ 442 88
Paid County Treasurer	442 88

## ELECTRIC LIGHTS

Balance from last year	\$ 117 79
Raised by Town	60 00
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	\$ 177 79
Paid Central Maine Power Co	65 92
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Balance unexpended	\$ 111 87

## PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Raised by Town	\$ 10 00
Paid State Treasurer	10 00

## BEAR BOUNTY

Urban Andrews, 1 bear	\$ 15 00
Harold Andrews, 1 bear	15 00
Erlon Jones, 2 bears	30 00
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	\$ 60 00

## CARE OF CEMETERY

Balance from last year	\$	4 50	
Raised by Town		50 00	
			\$ 54 50
Lyndon Emerson, mowing cemetery	\$	5 00	
Maurice Eastman, labor in cemetery		12 00	
			\$ 17 00
Balance unexpended			\$ 37 50

## WITHHOLDING TAX

Withheld from pay rolls	\$	155 40
Paid Collector of Internal Revenue		155 40

## TEACHERS' RETIREMENT FUND

Withheld from pay rolls	\$	76 60
Paid Teachers' Retirement Fund		76 60

## REPAIR OF TOWN HOUSE

Raised by Town	\$	50 00	
Paid:			
Walter Sampson, labor	\$	30 00	
Walter Sampson, supplies		1 40	
H. S. Emerson, labor		2 00	
Maurice Eastman, lumber		1 00	
Erville Fernald, 6 gal. roof paint		6 00	
C. E. Seavey, ridge roll		7 05	
			\$ 47 45
Balance unexpended			\$ 2 55

## SANDER

Paid Files & O'Keefe for sander	\$	140 00	
Carroll Haley, labor and material on sander		62 00	
			\$ 202 00

## TEMPORARY LOAN

Hired of Casco Bank & Trust Co.	\$ 2,000 00	
Paid Casco Bank & Trust Co.	2,033 89	
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Overdrawn		\$ 33 89

## HEALD BRIDGE

Balance from last year	\$ 764 70	
Lyndon Emerson, labor on bridge in 1948	8 00	
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Balance unexpended		\$ 756 70

## TOWN OFFICERS' BILLS

L. Everett Outhouse, 1948 audit	\$ 56 85	
Merle S. Jones, Superintendent of Schools	220 50	
W. A. Sampson, Selectman's Salary	50 00	
H. S. Emerson, Selectman's Salary	100 00	
M. M. Eastman, Selectman's Salary	50 00	
H. S. Emerson, Town Clerk	10 00	
H. S. Emerson, Collecting Excise Taxes	9 90	
H. S. Emerson, recording, Tel. and postage	3 10	
Ruth Bryant, Treasurer's Salary	50 00	
Ruth Bryant, postage	6 84	
Irving Bryant, Constable	5 00	
Irving Bryant, collecting taxes	102 83	
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Total amount		\$ 665 02
Raised by Town		600 00
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Overdrawn		\$ 65 02

## MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Marks Printing House, books	\$ 2 00	
Town of Conway, reporting births	1 00	
H. S. Emerson, Auto Reference Book	1 50	
Advertiser-Democrat, printing 1948 reports	94 06	
Asa O. Pike, 2nd & Son, Town Officers Bonds	20 50	

Marks Printing House, books	9 50	
Loring, Short & Harmon, flags for Memorial	4 00	
Asa O. Pike, 2nd & Son, Insurance	29 25	
L. G. Davis, immunization of school children	47 00	
Total Amount		\$ 208 81

## EXPENDITURES

Teachers	\$ 1,541 66	
Conveyance	939 00	
Fuel	84 00	
Janitor	82 00	
Repair of schoolhouse and hot lunches	33 77	
Common school tuition	121 00	
High school tuition	399 96	
Textbooks and supplies	181 01	
Total for schools		\$ 3,382 40
Snow removal	\$ 1,000 51	
Town roads and bridges	863 65	
Town road improvement	1,051 00	
Heald bridge	8 00	
Total for Roads and Bridges		\$ 2,923 16
State tax		\$ 928 36
County tax		442 88
Withholding tax		155 40
Teachers retirement fund		76 60
Electric lights		65 92
Bear bounties		60 00
Casco Bank & Trust Co., loan		2,033 89
Health Nurse		10 00
Care of Cemetery		17 00
Repair of town house		47 45
Sander		202 00
Town Officers Bills		665 02
Miscellaneous Bills		208 81
Total warrants		\$ 11,218 89

## RECEIPTS

Casco Bank & Trust, Cemetery Fund	\$	13 43	
Mildred Andrews, Teachers retirement fund		76 60	
Mildred Andrews, Withholding tax		155 40	
Irving Bryant, 1948 taxes		155 40	
Irving Bryant, Supplementary Poll taxes		15 00	
Herbert Emerson, Auto tax		385 95	
State Treasurer, bear bounty		75 00	
State Treasurer, National Forest Fund		195 53	
Casco Bank & Trust, loan		2,000 00	
State Treasurer, snow removal		461 14	
State Treasurer, Bank stock tax		7 80	
State Treasurer, Town road improvement		1,051 00	
Armand Pepin, roller house		25 00	
State Treasurer, Dog license refund		3 75	
State Treasurer, school fund		810 99	
Irving Bryant, Bal. due H. R. Gauthier, 1943 tax		25	
Irving Bryant, 1949 taxes		5,679 23	
Cash in Treasury January 1, 1949		1,987 98	
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>13,099 45</b>	
<b>1949 Warrants</b>		<b>11,218 89</b>	
<b>Cash in Treasury December 31, 1949</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,880 56</b>	

## FINANCIAL STANDING OF TOWN

Balance in treasury January 1, 1949	\$	1,880 56	
Due from State snow removal		132 00	
Due from State bear bounties		60 00	
Due from Irving Bryant, 1949 taxes		178 87	
Due from 1948 taxes		17	
<b>Total resources</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,251 60</b>	
<b>Balance in favor of town</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,251 60</b>	

H. S. EASTMAN,  
M. M. EASTMAN,  
W. A. SAMPSON,

Selectmen of Stow.

# Certificate of Audit

I hereby certify that all money shown to have been received and disbursed is fully accounted for. In my opinion this report presents fairly the financial condition of the Town of Stow at December 31, 1949, and the correct result of administering its financial affairs.

L. EVERETT OUTHOUSE

Auditor.

A complete copy of the Auditor's report is on file in the office of the selectmen.

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## Tax Collector's Report

Original Commitment	\$ 5,861 10
Supplementary poll taxes	15 00
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	\$ 5,876 10

Cash paid Town Treasurer	\$ 5,694 23
Abatement, 1 poll tax	3 00
Delinquent taxes, resident:	
Blake, Leon, real estate	13 50
Blake, Leon, poll tax	3 00
Grover, Clarence, poll tax	3 00
Nickerson, Tracy, personal property tax	4 50
Nickerson, Tracy, poll tax	3 00
Non-resident, Real Estate:	
Burnham, Charles, real estate	1 13
Emerson, Clifford, real estate	13 50
Hill, Arthur	31 50
Layne, Sumner	31 50
McAllister, Zach	67
Safford, Merrill	1 57
Seavey, W. N.	72 00

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\$ 5,876 10

IRVING BRYANT, Collector.

## Treasurer's Report 1949

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January, 1949, balance in treasury	\$ 1,987 98
Mildred C. Andrews, withholding tax	155 40
Mildred C. Andrews, Teachers' Retirement	76 60
Casco Bank & Trust Co., Cemetery Fund, interest to date	13 43
Albert Hurd 1948, real estate tax paid by Philip Andrews	54 05
Waldo Seavey, 1948 real estate tax	42 30
Hazen Wiley, 1948 real estate tax	9 40
Herbert Emerson, auto tax	385 95
State, bear bounty	75 00
Everett Day, 1948 tax	38 25
Henry Shaw, 1948 tax	70
State, National Forest Funds	195 53
Casco Bank & Trust Co., loan	2,000 00
State, snow removal	461 14
State, bank stock tax	7 80
Clarence Grover, 1948 poll tax	3 00
State, town road improvement	1,051 00
Armand O. Pepin, roller house	25 00
State, dog licenses refunded	3 75
State, school fund	810 99
Irving Bryant, balance H. R. Gauthier 1943 tax	<del>25</del>
Everett Forest, 1948 tax	7 70
Irving Bryant, collector	5,694 23
	\$ 13,099 45
Warrants paid Nos. 1 to 38 inclusive	\$ 11,218 89
Balance in treasury	1,880 56
	\$ 13,099 45

Respectfully submitted,

RUTH G. BRYANT, Treasurer.



# Roads

## SNOW REMOVAL

John Payne, 8 hrs. sanding	\$ 6 56
Erville Fernald, 8 hrs. sanding, truck	12 56
Ralph Guptill, 34 hrs. sanding, 17 hrs. plowing	41 82
Wallace Guptill, 34 hrs., sanding, 17 hrs. plowing, truck	102 17
Ralph Guptill, 8 hrs. sanding, 27 hrs. plowing	28 70
Wallace Guptill, 8 hrs. sanding, 27 hrs. plowing, truck	90 05
Wallace Guptill, 37 hrs. plowing, truck	106 19
Ralph Guptill, 8 hrs. plowing	30 34
Wallace Guptill, 8 hrs. sanding, 16 hrs. plowing, truck	58 48
Ralph Guptill, 8 hrs. sanding, 16 hrs. plowing	19 68
Wallace Guptill, 10 hrs. sanding, 13 hrs. plowing, truck	53 01
Ralph Guptill, 10 hrs. sanding, 13 hrs. plowing	18 86
Erville Fernald, 2 men and truck, 4 hrs. sanding	9 56
John Payne, 4 hrs. sanding	3 28
Ernest Watson, 6 hrs. labor on tractor	9 00
Graves Garage, 5 gal. oil for tractor	5 00
Wallace Guptill, 11 hrs. plowing truck	31 57
Ralph Guptill, 11 hrs. plowing	9 02
Carroll H. Haley, repairs for snow plow	3 01
Wesley Buswell, repairs for tractor	2 70
Charles Forest, shoveling snow	6 00
Nelson Eastman, plowing with tractor	12 00
Armand Pepin, gas for tractor	1 00
W. H. Shurtleff, 60 bags salt	69 90
Ralph Guptill, 40 hrs stock piling sand	30 00
Wallace Guptill, 40 hrs. stock piling sand	60 00
Hugh Hastings, 70 yds. sand	10 50

Wallace Guptill, 8 hrs. sanding, 4 hrs. plowing	23 20	
Ralph Guptill, 8 hrs. sanding, 4 hrs. plowing	9 00	
Ralph Guptill, 2 hrs. sanding, 10 hrs. plowing	9 00	
Wallace Guptill, 2 hrs. sanding, 10 hrs. plowing	31 00	
W. B. Richardson, snow plow shoes	11 25	
Ralph Guptill, 14 hrs. sanding	10 50	
Wallace Guptill, 14 hrs. sanding	21 00	
Wallace Guptill, 15 hrs. sanding	22 50	
Ralph Guptill, 15 hrs. sanding	11 25	
W. B. Richardson, repairs for snow plow	20 85	
		\$ 1,000 51
Raised by town	\$ 700 00	
Received from state snow removal	461 14	
		\$ 1,161 14
Balance unexpended		\$ 160 63

## WALLACE GUPTILL

## TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE

Simeon H. Charles, \$1.00 pr.	\$ 38 00
Merle Watson, shoveling .75 pr.	21 00
Erville Fernald, truck \$1.50 pr.	25 00
E. R. Eastman, self and tractor, \$2.00 pr.	24 00
A. F. Wiley, cleaning ditches .75 pr.	6 75
Simeon H. Charles, labor, spikes, bolts	40 90
Merle Watson, driving truck	29 25
Howard Bryant, shoveling	29 25
E. R. Eastman, self and tractor	16 00
Erville Fernald, truck	54 00
A. F. Wiley, shoveling	23 25
Simeon H. Charles,	38 00
Merle Watson, cleaning ditches	18 00
A. F. Wiley, cleaning ditches	24 00
E. R. Eastman, self and tractor	36 00

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Erville Fernald, truck	24 00	
Simeon H. Charles	12 00	
Merle Watson, blowing rocks	6 00	
Simeon H. Charles, labor and dynamite	50 82	
A. F. Wiley, cutting bushes	31 50	
A. F. Wiley, cutting bushes	20 25	
Simeon H. Charles, labor	32 00	
Simeon H. Charles, dynamite	5 18	
Simeon H. Charles, cutting bushes	32 00	
A. F. Wiley, cutting bushes	21 75	
Erville Fernald, truck	6 00	
Armand Pepin, gas and oil	23 90	
Town of Fryeburg, road machine	10 00	
Simeon H. Charles, Shell Pond road	16 00	
Lyndon Emerson, Shell Pond road	12 00	
Erville Fernald, truck	19 50	
Millard Chandler, gravel	90	
Simeon H. Charles, labor	12 00	
Erville Fernald, truck	16 50	
Walter Harriman, spikes	65	
R. F. Potwin, 1236 ft. lumber	61 80	
Erville Fernald, self and truck	16 00	
Simeon H. Charles	8 00	
Herbert Andrews, gravel	1 50	
		\$ 863 65
Raised by town	\$ 500 00	
Federal Forest Fund	195 53	
		\$ 695 53
Overdrawn		\$ 168 12

SIMEON H. CHARLES  
Road Commissioner

TOWN ROAD IMPROVEMENT

C. N. Brown, bulldozer, \$6.00 per hr.	\$ 126 00
Merle Watson, digging ditch, .75 per hr.	6 00
Lyndon Emerson, digging ditch, .75 per hr.	6 00
Erville Fernald, truck	3 00
Simeon H. Charles, foreman	28 00

Merle Watson, shoveling	36 00	
Lyndon Emerson, shoveling	30 00	
C. N. Brown, bulldozer	240 00	
Simeon H. Charles, foreman	48 00	
Erville Fernald, truck	69 00	
Merle Watson, shoveling	28 50	
Lyndon Emerson, shoveling	6 00	
Erville Fernald, truck	15 00	
C. N. Brown, bulldozer	96 00	
Simeon H. Charles, foreman	40 00	
Neil Bryant, self and tractor	16 00	
Neil Bryant, self	4 50	
Merle Watson, shoveling	27 00	
Lyndon Emerson, shoveling	18 00	
Erville Fernald, truck	9 00	
Simeon H. Charles, foreman	46 00	
C. N. Brown, bulldozer	102 00	
Merle Watson, labor	12 00	
Neil Bryant, tractor	15 00	
Simeon H. Charles, foreman	24 00	
Amount expended		\$ 1,051 00
Apportioned by state, 1949	\$ 511 91	
Unexpended balance	541 42	
Total fund		\$ 1,053 43
Balance Unexpended		\$ 2 32

SIMEON H. CHARLES

Foreman

# Report of the School Department

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School Committee:  
ERVILLE FERNALD  
IRVING BRYANT  
MAURICE EASTMAN

Superintendent:  
MERLE S. JONES

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

### Resources

Raised by town	\$ 2,261 00	
State school fund	810 99	
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		\$ 3,071 99

### Disbursements

Overdraft January 1, 1949	\$ 48 88	
Teaching	1,541 66	
Fuel	84 00	
Janitor and cleaning	82 00	
Conveyance	939 00	
Tuition: elementary	121 00	
secondary	399 96	
Textbooks and supplies	181 01	
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		\$ 3,397 51
Overdraft January 1, 1950		\$ 325 52

### ABOVE ACCOUNTS PARTIALLY ITEMIZED

Mildred C. Andrews, teacher	\$ 1,541 66
Elizabeth Fernald, conveyance	780 00
Horace Gray, conveyance	159 00
Elementary tuition, Fryeburg	108 00
Elementary tuition, Chatham	13 00
Secondary tuition, Fryeburg	399 96

## REPAIR ACCOUNT

## Resources

Balance January 1, 1949	\$	53 77	
Appropriation		25 00	
			\$ 78 77
Paid in order			33 77
Balance January 1, 1950	\$		45 00

Your school enrollment at the present time is as follows:

Sub.	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	Total	
	5	7	3	2	3	5	1	2	1	29

# Report of the Superintendent of Schools

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It is easy to explain the overdraft by calling attention to the amount received from the state. A reduction of \$250 by the state is about equal to the accumulated overdraft for the year. The last legislature made no reductions in school appropriations, but it did not consider the increased school program to be maintained in the state. There are nearly 300 more teaching positions and possibly 10,000 more children in school than there were two years ago when legislature was in session. Apparently the town must share the added burden alone.

I am more than pleased with the efforts you people are making to provide services for your children that are common in larger communities. You have had vaccinations and inoculations which is an excellent immunization program. You have started with physical examinations which we hope will continue, (each year grades 1, 4 and 7 should be done). You are continuing the noon lunch program which has been a part of the school program for many years. This year the meals are being cooked outside of school and federal assistance will help pay for the cost of the program. With 29 children in school it would be quite difficult to do all the work in school as has been done in the past.

Quite often people ask about our school program of studies. It would be difficult to describe it all here, but there are a few items that I would like to explain.

In social studies we like to combine grades and also alternate subject matter from year to year. This year grades 5 and 6 study old world history and geography as a single subject-social studies. Grades 7 and 8 study Maine for the first half year and they will study world problems the last half year. Next year grades 5 and 6 will study history and geography of the Americas, and grades 7 and 8 will also study the Americas but on a more intensive scale. In the lower grades we do not follow a definite text any more than we do in the upper grades, but we do have specific areas that we hope to cover. In grade 2 we confine our study to home and community. In grade 3 we extend to the town and state. We also include units on Indians and circus. In grade 4 we study biography and people of various lands.

There are a few items in the language arts that should be clarified. We teach children to print with large letters in the sub-primary, in grade one we continue with manuscript writing reducing the size of the letters, and in grade two there is a gradual transition to cursive writing. We are concerned with the ability of our children and adults in oral and written expression so we are making every effort to develop composition, spelling, and oral conversation. It has been proven many times that this cannot be accomplished by teaching rules of grammar alone. We hope, however, that certain grammar rules will be better understood if children have correct usage and good sentence sense.

There are other school practices which you may question, but I hope you have confidence in your teacher and superintendent, knowing that their interest is in developing both mentally and physically healthy boys and girls.

Respectfully submitted,

MERLE S. JONES

#### PROPOSED BUDGET

##### Need

Teacher's salary	\$ 1,600 00	
Elementary tuition	108 00	
Fuel	84 00	
Janitor and cleaning	85 00	
Conveyance	1,044 00	
Secondary tuition	360 00	
Textbooks and supplies	150 00	
To reduce overdraft	200 00	
		\$ 3,631 00

##### Sources

State school fund	\$ 800 00	
To be raised by the town	2,831 00	
		\$ 3,631 00

#### BREAKDOWN FOR APPROPRIATIONS

Common schools	\$ 2,481 00
Secondary tuition	200 00
Textbooks and supplies	150 00

##### Other Needs

Repairs	\$ 50 00
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# Norway SAVINGS Bank

First Bank in Oxford County

Organized in 1866

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FEBRUARY 4, 1950

<b>Deposits</b>	<b>\$3,712,247.79</b>
<b>Reserve</b>	<b>420,000.00</b>
<b>Undivided Profit</b>	<b>90,182.27</b>
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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,222,450.06</b>

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President, George L. Curtis

Vice President, Stuart W. Goodwin

Secretary-Treasurer, W. Paul Whitten

## TRUSTEES

G. L. Curtis, J. N. Favor, S. W. Goodwin  
L. H. Cushman, R. L. Sturgis, L. F. Pike  
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Capital	\$100,000.00
Surplus	75,000.00
Undivided Profits & Reserves	45,870.48
Deposits	\$2,408,758.71

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