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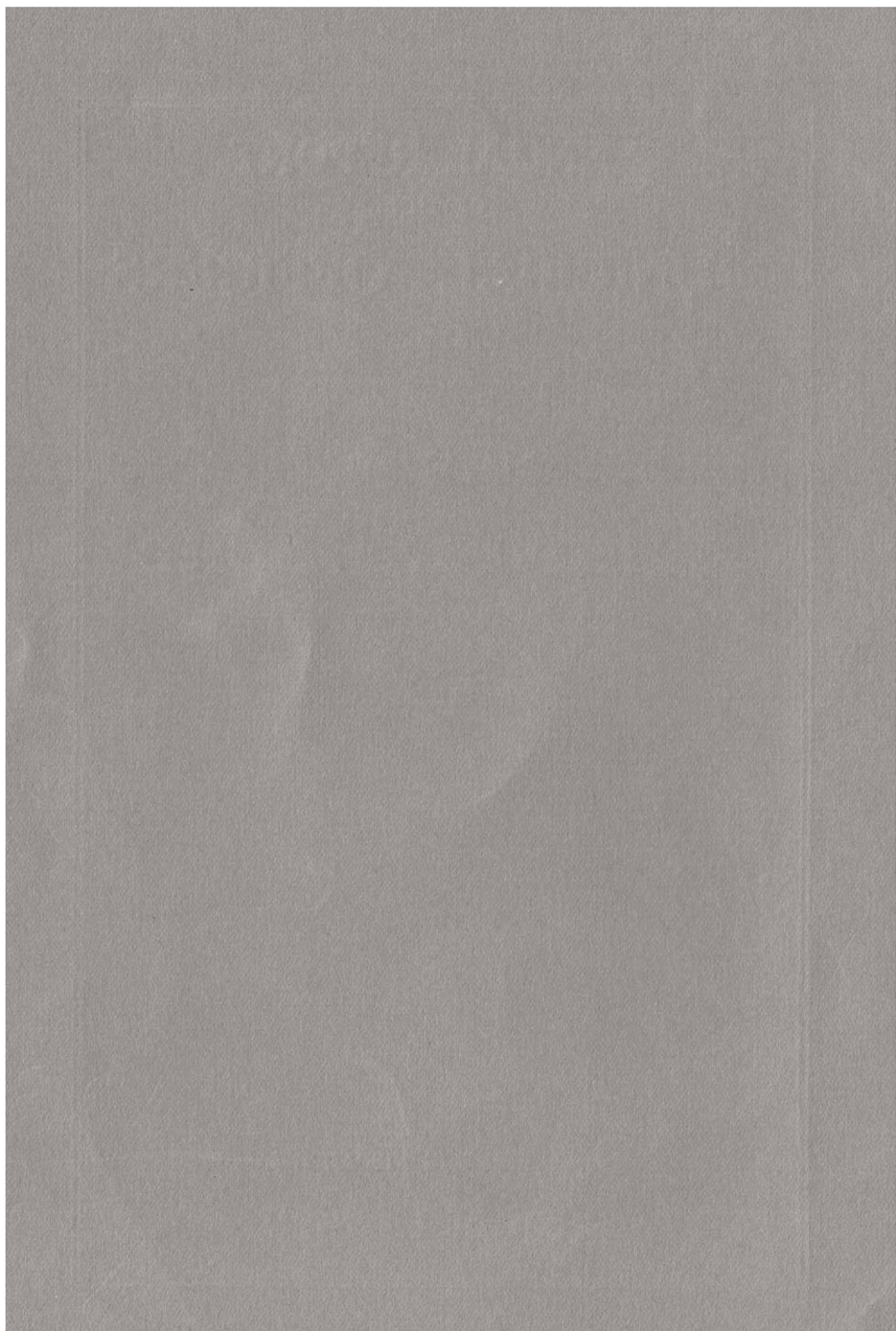
OF THE TOWN OF

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1939



# Town Warrant

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SOMERSET, S. S.

STATE OF MAINE

To H. A. Fletcher, a constable of the town of Palmyra in the county of Somerset, Greetings:

You are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Palmyra qualified by law to vote in town affairs to assemble at the Town House on Monday, the sixth day of March, A. D. 1939, at ten o'clock A. M. 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 hear such reports from the town officers as the town may think proper.

Art. 4. To choose three selectmen, three assessors, and three overseers of the poor.

Art. 5. To choose a town treasurer for the ensuing year.

Art. 6. To choose a tax collector and constable and to ascertain in what manner the taxes shall be collected, or to act on anything relating thereto.

Art. 7. To choose one or more road commissioners, or act on anything relating thereto.

Art. 8. To choose one or more members of the school board.

Art. 9. To choose a fire warden.

Art. 10. To choose one or more members of the cemetery committee.

Art. 11. To choose all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To see if the town will vote to give a discount on taxes paid on or before July First, or act on anything relating thereto.

Art. 13. To see how much money the town will vote to raise to defray town charges.

Art. 14. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for the support of poor.

Art. 15. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for Mother's Aid.

Art. 16. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for the Salary of the Superintendent of Schools.

Art. 17. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for the support of common schools.

Art. 18. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for the repair of school property.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to instruct the school board to make contracts with Newport High School and Hartland Academy for the education of High School pupils for the ensuing year, or act on anything relating thereto.

Art. 20. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for High School tuition out of town.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to hire a school physician and raise money for same.

Art. 22. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for support of the Public Library.

Art. 23. To see what sum the town will appropriate for State Aid 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. 24. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for State Road Maintenance.

Art. 25. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for roads and bridges.

Art. 26. To see what action the town will take in regard to breaking roads in winter and raise money for same, or act on anything relating thereto.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$150.00 to repair the road from the Gale Corner to the Corner near Nigger Bridge.

Art. 28. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for repair of Third Class road.

Art. 29. To see how much money the town will vote to raise to pay interest and outstanding orders and bonds.

Art. 30. To see if the town will vote to authorize the selectmen to make temporary loans for the town to be paid during the current year out of money raised during the current year by taxes and the selectmen to issue votes for same and in the name of the town for loans made.



Art. 31. To see where the town will vote to expend the State Aid road money.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote to charge interest on all unpaid taxes after February 1st, 1940, and act on anything relating thereto.

Art. 33. To see what action the town will vote to take in regard to selling the hearse house.

Art. 34. To see what action the town will take in regard to selling Marsh schoolhouse, or act on anything relating thereto.

Art. 35. To see what action the town will take in regard to repairing fence around the Goodwin Cemetery or act on anything relating thereto.

Art. 36. To see if the town will vote to raise the sum of \$74.00 or more, for school nursing in the town to be expended under the auspices of the Bureau of Health of the State Department of Health and Welfare.

Art. 37. To see if the town will vote to instruct the selectmen to dispose of any real estate acquired through tax liens, either at public or private sales and to issue deeds in the name of and for the town for same.

Art. 38. To see if the town will vote to authorize the assessors to rescind any amount appropriated by the town for State Aid Highway Construction, in excess of the amount required to meet the state appropriation.

Art. 39. To see how much money the town will vote to raise to advertize the natural Beauty and Resources of the State, to be expended under the direction of the Maine Development Commission.

Art. 40. To act on anything not pertaining to the raising of money that may lawfully come before any town meeting.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be at the Town House at nine o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters.

Hereof fail not to make due return of said warrant with your doings thereon, on or before the day of said meeting.

Given under our hands this 20th day of February, A. D. 1939.

O. F. MILLETT

P. R. LEE

L. J. PRAY

Selectmen of Palmyra

Attest: HENRY FLETCHER  
Constable

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Dinner will be served in the Grange Hall  
by the Grange

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Palmyra Grange will present the play  
"FINGERPRINTS"  
at the Grange Hall in the evening. Dance to follow  
play.

# Selectmen's Report

The Municipal officers and Supt. of Schools herewith submit to the inhabitants of the town of Palmyra their annual report for the year ending February 15th, 1939.

## ASSESSORS' DEPARTMENT

### Amount Raised by Town

Town charges	\$2,500 00
Support of Poor	2,500 00
Supt. of Schools Salary	400 00
Support of Common Schools	3,300 00
Schoolhouse repairs	240 00
High School tuition	2,600 00
School physician	50 00
Public Library	50 00
State aid road const.	799 50
State Road maintenance	1,400 00
Roads and bridges	1,500 00
Winter roads	2,500 00
Badger-Borough road	300 00
Third Class maintenance	650 00
Interest, outstanding orders and bonds	3,000 00
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	\$21,789 50
State tax	2,861 67
County tax	670 48
Overlayings	467 89
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	\$25,789 54

## VALUATION OF TOWN

Real estate, Resident	\$246,550 00
Real estate, Non-resident	80,290 00

Personal estate, Resident	39,915 00
Personal estate, Non-resident	1,650 00
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Total valuation for 1938	\$368,405 00
Property exempt by State law, \$12,445 00	
We assessed \$68.00 per thousand on \$368,405.00	\$25,051 54
We assessed \$3.00 each on 246 polls	738 00
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Total amount committed to H. A. Fletcher, Collector	\$25,789 54

### TOWN CHARGES

#### Dr.

Amount raised by town	\$2,500 00
Amount received from:	
Bounty on porcupine	9 24
Interest on Bank Stock	28 42
Costs and tax on Joseph Leblanc farm	210 00
Costs on L. B. Neal farm	96 91
Of Dog tax refund	31 22
Perry Furbush, acc't of 1932-33 taxes	19 00
A. L. Snowman, back taxes	12 75
Refund on collector's bond	20 00
Received from Interest on back taxes	19 26
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	\$2,946 80

#### Cr.

Paid Abatements and discounts	\$ 490 70
Paid Mother's Aid	1,205 00
Paid Incidental account	2,138 61
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	\$3,834 31
Overdrawn	887 51

POOR ACCOUNT

Dr.

Amount raised by town	\$2,500 00
Amount received from:	
Edward Fitzpatrick	25 00
Harold Estes	49 47
	\$2,574 47

Cr.

Paid on accounts of:	
W. H. Wyman	\$158 05
Bert Green	19 61
Elwood Knowles	84 02
World War Veteran No. 1	99 10
James Tait family	257 16
Ray Varnum	145 82
Arthur Deraps	272 01
H. C. Goodell	87 15
Henry Vance	118 95
Packard child	102 52
Richard Buzzell	235 78
Verd Packard, Jr., Bill of 1934	283 34
Carroll Gifford	2 25
Jessie Boody family	54 00
Richard Vanadestine	73 39
Willard Vanadestine	96 00
Rodney Parsons	42 00
Arnold Neal	77 00
Harold Estes	49 47
Howard B. Towle	91 22
Alvah Nichols	43 00
Edward Fitzpatrick	25 00
	\$2,416 84
Unexpended	157 63
	\$2,574 47

## STATE PAUPERS

Paid on account of:	
G. Elwin Holt	\$157 68
World War Veteran No. 2	773 13
Billey Davis	208 76
Charles Peavey	323 72
Minnie Bryant	170 39
Elisha Gardiner	176 57
Leo Tozier	35
Walter Harvey	2 50
Albert Butler	141 18
Andrew Vanadestine	79 50
	\$2,033 78
Due from State Feb. 15, 1938	2,604 94
	\$4,638 72
Received from State	4,147 93
	\$490 79
Due from State Feb. 15, 1939	\$490 79

## PAID ON ACCOUNT OF PAUPERS OF OTHER TOWNS

Cr.	
Paid on acct. Bernard Stubbs	\$20 57
Due from town of Sherman, Feb. 15, 1938	16 33
	\$36 90
Total due	\$36 90
Cr.	
Paid on acct. Harold White	\$18 00
Due from town of Pittsfield	18 00
Cr.	
Paid on acct. World War Veteran No. 3	\$58 00
Due from Moro	58 00

	Cr.	
Paid on acct. Leona Cushman		\$60 00
Due from Wiscasset		60 00

	Cr.	
Paid on acct. World War Veteran		
No. 4		\$8 94
Due from town of Orland		8 94

	Cr.	
Paid on acct. Grover Woodard		\$19 24
Due from town of Levant		19 24

ROADS AND BRIDGES

	Dr.	
Amount raised by town		\$1,500 00

	Cr.	
Amount expended by Selectmen's		
Warrants		1,724 17

Overdawn		<u>\$224 17</u>
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WINTER ROADS

	Dr.	
Amount raised by town		\$2,500 00
Received from State		2,086 65
		<u>\$4,586 65</u>

	Cr.	
Paid by Selectmen's warrants		\$5,836 12
Overdrawn		1,249 47
		<u>\$4,586 65</u>

STATE ROAD MAINTENANCE

	Dr.	
Amount raised by town		\$1,400 00
Received from State, 50-50		50 00
		<u>\$1,450 00</u>

	Cr.	
Paid Selectmen's warrants		\$1,453 70
Overdrawn		3 70

THIRD CLASS MAINTENANCE

	Dr.	
Amount raised by town		\$650 00
	Cr.	
Amount paid by Selectmen's warrants		\$679 92
Overdrawn		29 92

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STATE AID ROAD

	Dr.	
Amount raised by town		\$ 799 50
Amount received from State		1,594 58
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		\$2,394 08
	Cr.	
Amount paid by Selectmen's warrants		\$2,394 08
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		\$2,394 08

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THIRD CLASS CONSTRUCTION

	Cr.	
Amount paid by Selectmen's warrants		\$1,879 32
	Dr.	
Amount received from State		\$1,879 32

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RURAL ROADS

	Cr.	
Amount paid by Selectmen's warrants		\$667 95
	Dr.	
Amount received from State		\$667 95

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SPECIAL RESOLVE

Smith Road

	Cr.	
Amount paid by Selectmen's warrants		\$877 12



	Dr.		
Amount received from State		\$877 12	
		Badger-Borough Road	
	Dr.		
Amount raised by town		\$300 00	
	Cr.		
Amount paid by Selectmen's warrant		\$298 43	
Amount unexpended		<u>          </u>	\$1 57

**DOG TAXES**

	Dr.		
Amount received from Town Clerk		\$172 00	
	Cr.		
Amount paid by Selectmen's warrants to State Treasurer		\$172 00	

**OUTSTANDING ORDERS AND INTEREST**

	Dr.		
Amount raised by town		\$3,000 00	
	Cr.		
Amount paid by Selectmen's warrants		\$3,146 99	
Overdrawn		<u>          </u>	\$146 99

**PALMYRA SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT  
COMMON SCHOOL ACCOUNT**

	Receipts	
Balance, February, 1938	\$ 731 01	
Appropriation	3,300 00	
Equalization, 1937	417 00	
School Bond	69 80	
Gale School Bond	58 38	
Equalization	1,899 00	
State School Fund	997 06	
	<u>          </u>	\$7,472 25

Expenditures

Teachers	\$3,249 00	
Conveyance	1,302 50	
Janitors	146 10	
Fuel	207 50	
Supplies	236 97	
Books	377 16	
Common School Tuition	358 00	
	<hr/>	\$5,922 23
Balance unexpended		<hr/> \$1,550 02

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION

Receipts

Appropriation	\$2,600 00	
Balance, February, 1938	1,210 72	
State	700 00	
	<hr/>	\$4,510 72

Expenditures

Maine Central Institute	\$ 711 00	
Newport	1,052 84	
Hartland Academy	2,036 67	
	<hr/>	\$3,800 51
Balance unexpended		<hr/> \$710 21

REPAIRS

Receipts

Appropriation	\$240 00	
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Expenditures

Repairs	\$211 74	
Balance unexpended	<hr/>	\$28 26

SUPERINTENDENCE

Appropriation	\$400 00	
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Expenditures	
W. J. Rideout	\$133 24
Wm. G. Springer	233 28
	\$366 52
Balance unexpended	\$33 48

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#### SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Appropriation	\$50 00
Paid Dr. C. A. Moulton	\$50 00

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## Report of Superintendent of Schools

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To the Superintending School Committee and the Citizens of Palmyra:

This, my first report as superintendent of the Palmyra schools, is submitted for your consideration.

Due to the fact that my acquaintance with the school system is of a comparatively short term, my time has been largely utilized in making a study of the school situation and the method of administration by my predecessor. I have found that the teachers and pupils, as a unit, are working harmoniously and are accomplishing worthwhile results. The parents of the school children and the tax-payers are interested in the welfare of their schools and it is well that this is so, for it is only through the cooperation and support of these interested individuals with the

teachers and the school administrators that we can hope to attain a satisfactory type of training for our young people.

## COMMON SCHOOL STATISTICS

School	Grade	Enrollment	Teacher
Adams	Sub P.-8	20	Jennie Burns
Egypt	Sub P.-8	18	Doris Bridge
Ell	Sub P.-7	22	Audrey Lanpher
Gale	Sub P.-7	37	Clara Higgins
Vil. Gram.	4-8	24	Katherine Cronkite
Vil. Prim.	Sub P.-3	15	Pearl Church
Total		136	

In addition to the above enrollment in the Palmyra schools, there are 14 tuition pupils attending elementary schools in nearby towns. There are two rather unusual conditions to be noted in distribution. Of the 20 pupils enrolled in the Adams school, 6 pupils are in the sub-primary grade. At the Gale school there are 28 boys out of an enrollment of 37 pupils. Usually the ratio of boys to girls is more nearly one-half. The number of Palmyra pupils who entered secondary schools in September is as follows: Hartland Academy 32, Newport High School 20, Maine Central Institute 10, making a total of 62 pupils.

Music is under the supervision of Mrs. Doris Folsom of Newport. Mrs. Folsom devotes one-half day a week to the teaching of music in the various schools, consequently the time which she can give to each school is very short. Considering the limited time available she is doing good work with the pupils. It is recommended that the period for instruction in music be extended to one full day next year providing the arrangement can be made.

The Seabasticook Teachers' Club which has functioned very efficiently for many years has been active as usual. The programs have maintained a high professional standard and have been very helpful.

At the opening of the winter term an outbreak of scarlet fever was reported. Fortunately it was of a mild nature. Parents can assist immensely in the con-

trol of communicable diseases by reporting all cases, even though mild, to the local officials. Their cooperation is urgently requested. I would call your attention to the report of your school physician, Dr. C. A. Moulton, who has cooperated so splendidly with the school officials.

#### Conveyance

At the opening of the school year last fall, it was deemed advisable to convey the pupils of the 8th grade from the Ell school to the Village Grammar school. This was for two-fold reason—to lessen the teacher load at the Ell school and to attempt to centralize the 8th grade as much as possible that the benefits of centralized training might be received.

An arrangement was made with the parents of the pupils of the 8th grade at the Gale school to convey them to Hartland. This materially lessened the teacher load at that school.

#### Supplies

In addition to the usual needs of supplies and textbooks, new dictionaries and a set of library books for the reading table have been furnished to all schools. A complete new set of music books has been provided for each school. Toilet fixtures and paper, a supply which hitherto had not been furnished, has been purchased for all schools. Safety books as supplementary readers were introduced into the Village Primary, and a similar set—one copy for each grade—into the Ell school. At the Ell school, one hour per week is devoted to the study of safety both at the school and at the home. The results derived from this study seem to warrant a similar introduction into all of the rural schools. To quote a hackneyed expression, "Speed is the trend of the times", it seems essential to help teach our young people to be ever on the alert, to take precaution against accidents and to minimize hazardous situations wherever possible. With this ob-

ject in mind and with the excellent cooperation of the teachers, the pupils have been interested in drawing safety posters supplemented by short themes.

### Repairs

During the summer the exterior of the Village School building was painted. Recently, under the supervision of Mrs. Cronkite, the children papered both the Primary and the Grammar School rooms, the cost of the paper being defrayed from the common school account. The ceiling and a section of wall were repaired in the Primary room. Minor items including window shades, ventilators, and weather stripping for the exterior door were provided for this room. At the Gale school a new foundation was laid under the shed and the shed was repaired. The chimney was completely rebuilt at this school. At the Egypt school the steps were repaired. At the Ell school a section of the foundation was repaired, new blackboards were purchased and a new flag pole and rope were provided.

### Physical Needs

The interior of some of the school rooms should be refinished. Where the proper lighting is inadequate, the freshening of the walls and ceilings would tend to lighten the room. In sections where electricity is available it would be desirable to install electric lights in the school houses. The exterior of the Ell school house is badly in need of paint.

Globes and up to date maps should be purchased for all the schools. The playground equipment needs some repair at the Egypt and at the Ell school. Swings and teeters should be provided at the Village and at the Gale school. It is estimated that \$35.00 would be necessary to take care of this. The playground at the Gale school is far from adequate for the need of the comparatively large group of children which it serves. The grounds are extremely rough. This could be put

into better condition by removing the numerous rocks and surfacing with fine gravel. During the muddy season so much mud and dirt is carried into the school house that it is necessary to sweep the floor at noon and again at night.

### Financial Recommendations

Your School Committee and Superintendent have carefully estimated the expenditures for next year and recommend the following amounts:

COMMON SCHOOLS	\$3,300 00
High School Tuition	3,000 00
Superintendence Salary	400 00
Repairs	200 00
School Physician	50 00

With the exception of the amount for high school tuition the budget recommended is the same as that for last year. Referring to the expenditures of the high school account, it will be noted that the cost for high school tuition for this year exceeded that for last year by \$711.23. As near as can be estimated at this time, the enrollment of Palmyra pupils in the secondary schools will be larger for the coming year than in the past. It will also be noted that the receipts of the common school account for this year exceed those for last year by \$1,243.91. This was partially due to the fact that \$417.00 from the 1937 equalization fund was credited to the account last May and the equalization fund for 1938 was paid in full in December, 1938. The estimated equalization fund to be received in December, 1939, is \$1,154.00, a reduction of \$745.00 from that received in December, 1938. This is due to the fact that the town paid less for conveyance and tuition in 1938 than in 1937.

### Conclusion

As I close this report, I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the members of the school board, the teachers, pupils and citizens of Palmyra for their fine cooperation during the period it has been my privilege to serve the schools of Palmyra.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. G. SPRINGER,

Superintendent of Schools

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### REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

To the Superintending School Committee of the Town of Palmyra:

The following is my report of my examination of your pupils for the school year 1938-39.

Whole number boys registered	74
Whole number girls registered	44

Total	118
Whole number boys examined	69
Whole number girls examined	44

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Total	113
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Number of following defects found:

Care of teeth and gums	8
Vision	7
Hearing	2
Nose	2
Tonsils	40
Skin	1
Weight	14
General Condition	7

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Total	81
Number reported for treatment	28
Number 100% pupils	54
Number who have had mumps	49



Number who have had measles	64
Number who have had scarlet fever	9
Number who have had chicken pox	55
Number who have had whooping cough	77
Number who have been vaccinated	8
Physical ranks per school:	
Adams	98.8
Gale	99.
Egypt	99.4
Ell	99.3
Village Grammar	98.7
Village Primary	98.6
Town Average	98.9

Respectfully submitted,  
C. A. MOULTON,  
School Physician

Feb. 18, 1939.

**PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Dr.

Amount raised by town	\$50 00	
Amount received from State	5 00	
	<hr/>	\$55 00

Cr.

Amount paid by Selectmen's warrants	\$55 00	
	<hr/>	\$55 00

The past year many books and magazines have been given our Library as gifts from friends.

NELLIE LEAVITT  
MARION READ  
HELEN JOHONNETT  
GERDA MILLETT  
CORA FROST

O. F. MILLETT  
P. R. LEE  
L. J. PRAY

Selectmen of Palmyra

# Auditor's Report

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Augusta, Maine  
February 27, 1939

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Palmyra:

This is to certify that this department, represented by Mr. R. M. Parsons, has completed an audit of the accounts of your town officials for the municipal year ended February 15, 1939.

Our report, herewith submitted, was prepared from your town records and, to the best of our knowledge and belief, properly reflects the true financial condition of your municipality as of the above date.

The schedules contained in this report are as follows:

Comparative Balance Sheet with Proof of Change in Net Debt.

Report of Treasurer.

Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash Balance.

Summary of Unexpended and Overdraft Balances.

Report of Tax Collector.

List of Uncollected 1938 Taxes.

Report of Back Taxes with Uncollected Lists.

List of Accounts Receivable—List of Bonded Debt.

List of Cemetery Trust Funds.

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

Respectfully submitted,

STATE DEPARTMENT OF AUDIT

Harold E. Crawford

Chief Auditor

## COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

February 15, 1939

ASSETS	Feb. 15, 1938	Feb. 15, 1939
Cash	\$ 536 25	\$ 813 58
Taxes—1938		7,306 43
1937	6,435 63	641 58
1936	527 82	231 90
1935	166 90	68 90
1934	82 76	37 16
Tax Deeds		56 95
Accounts Receivable—1936	265 26	265 26
Poor of other Towns—1937	16 33	16 33
1938		184 75
State Poor—1937	2,604 94	
State Poor—1938		490 79
State Aid Road Overdraft	24 78	
Cemetery Trust Funds Cash		3,265 24
NET TOWN DEBT	14,035 57	12,884 93
	<u>\$24,696 24</u>	<u>\$26,263 80</u>

LIABILITIES	Feb. 15, 1938	Feb. 15, 1939
Bonded Debt	\$11,000 00	\$10,000 00
Interest Bearing Orders	3,980 00	3,000 00
Notes Payable	3,296 44	6,490 00
Trust Funds Used by Town	3,264 54	
Ministerial and School Fund	1,163 33	1,163 33
Cemetery Trust Fund Reserve		3,265 24
Unexpended balances:		
Common Schools	731 01	1,580 02
High School Tuition	1,210 72	710 21
Teachers' Retirement	50 20	55 00
	<u>\$24,696 24</u>	<u>\$26,263 80</u>

### PROOF OF CHANGE IN NET DEBT

Net Debt—February 15, 1938	\$14,035 57	
Add: Net Overdraft from Summary	923 35	
	<u>\$14,958 92</u>	
Deduct: Payment of Bonds	\$1,000 00	
Notes Payable	6 44	
Interest Bearing Orders	980 00	
1937 Supplemental Taxes	30 60	
To Set Up Tax Deeds	56 95	
	<u>2,073 99</u>	
Net Debt—February 15, 1939		<u>\$12,884 93</u>

## REPORT OF TREASURER

February 15, 1939

Cash Balance—February 15, 1938 \$ 536 25

### RECEIPTS

Taxes:

Property and Poll—Current Year	\$18,552 31
Property and Poll—Prior Years	6,264 17
Excise Tax	860 48
Bank Stock Tax	28 42

TOTAL FROM TAXES \$25,705 38

Dog Licenses 172 00

Departmental Receipts:

Town Charge	\$ 418 38
Highways	7,180 40
Charities	1,617 46
Education	4,141 24
Library	5 00
Teachers' Retirement	85 80
Accounts Receivable	2,604 94

TOTAL DEPARTMENTAL RECEIPTS \$16,053 22

Municipal Indebtedness 3,200 00

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$45,130 60

TOTAL AVAILABLE \$45,666 85

WARRANTS PAID 44,853 27

Cash Balance—February 15, 1939 \$ 813 58

### RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH BALANCE

February 15, 1939

Check Book Balance	\$ 813 58
Outstanding Checks	6,238 14

TOTAL \$ 7,051 72

Bank Balance \$7,051 72

### SUMMARY OF UNEXPENDED AND OVERDRAFT

#### BALANCES

February 15, 1939

	Overdraft Unexpended
1938 Excise Tax	\$ 657 26
1939 Excise Tax	203 22
Overlay	467 89
Town Charges	\$887 51
Poor Relief	157 63
Outstanding Orders, Bonds and Interest	146 99

School Repairs and Maintenance		28 26
Superintendent of Schools		33 38
State Road Maintenance	3 70	
Roads and Bridges	224 17	
Winter Roads	1,249 47	
Badgerborough Roads		1 57
Third Class Maintenance	29 92	
Supplemental Tax—1938		69 20
Net Overdraft to Net Town Debt		923 35
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	\$2,541 76	\$2,541 76

## REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

### 1938 TAXES

#### VALUATION:

Real Estate—Resident	\$246,550 00	
Real Estate—Non-resident	80,290 00	
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TOTAL REAL ESTATE		\$326,840 00
Personal Estate—Resident	\$39,915 00	
Personal Estate—Non-resident	1,650 00	
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TOTAL PERSONAL ESTATE		\$ 41,565 00

TOTAL VALUATION \$368,405 00

#### COMMITMENT:

Valuation x Rate—\$368,405 x .068	\$ 25,051 54	
246 Polls @ \$3.00	738 00	
Supplemental Tax	69 20	
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TOTAL CHARGED TO COLLECTOR		\$ 25,858 74

#### CREDITS TO COLLECTOR:

Cash to Treasurer	\$ 18,256 99	
Abatements	173 28	
Discounts	122 04	
Uncollected	7,306 43	
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TOTAL CREDIT TO COLLECTOR		\$ 25,858 74

**TOWN OF PALMYRA**  
**LIST OF 1938 UNCOLLECTED TAXES**

February 15, 1939

H. P. Annis	\$ 47 20	H. W. Estes	180 86
Florence Ash	74 80	Sidney Estes	3 00
C. W. Ash	34 68	C. E. Estes	32 67
C. H. Anderson	135 94	Charles I. Estes	8 10
Guy D. Booker	16 80	Mrs. Cora Estes	20 40
C. G. Brackett,		Harold Estes	5 38
Divisees	273 70	F. H. Farnham	34 58
F. L. Brewer	307 60	Edward Fitzpatrick	3 00
C. O. Burlock	17 13	Paid after	
Odell Bryant	89 18	Settlement	10 80
Homer Berry	5 38	Paid after	
Thomas Berry,		Settlement	3 68
Heirs	20 40	Mrs. Elva Getchell	132 60
P. A. Bradford	349 12	M. D. Goodrich	4 44
Francis Bickford	3 40	Merton Green	61 14
Sheldon Bubar	39 04	Bert Green	3 00
Stanley Bates	8 44	William Gee	3 00
Grace Bates	74 80	Floyd Goodnow	50 60
Edward Bates	3 00	Wilbur Glidden	3 00
Norman Burleigh	3 00	K. C. and R. A.	
Harry Brackett	37 00	Grant	136 00
J. J. Cameron	104 32	K. C. Grant	28 84
E. W. Cameron	3 00	W. G. Hussey	3 00
J. J. and E. W.		H. A. Holway	3 00
Cameron	27 20	C. F. Holway Heirs	120 02
H. H. Coston	129 20	Mrs. Eunice Hill	18 00
Frances Coston	30 20	J. D. Head	3 00
C. E. Corlow	33 64	Maurice Humphrey	3 00
F. L. Chamberlain	78 21	Henry Hawes	6 80
F. L. Chamberlain	20 40	Glen Heath	108 80
F. L. Chamberlain	3 40	G. B. Knowles	167 12
Delbert Cool	6 12	Elwood Knowles	13 20
M. C. Davis	29 99	Leslie Kimball	3 00
Mrs. Winnie Davis	108 46	J. B. Lampher	
R. L. Dyer	102 80	Heirs	69 61
C. S. Deraps	73 98	Seldon Lampher	31 99
J. E. Deraps	13 60	E. C. Leavitt	84 66
Bertrand Deraps	3 00	A. J. Leavitt	27 80
E. G. Emery	120 70	Paid after	
Paid after		Settlement	18 64
Settlement	194 28	Albert Lawrence	28 20
George Estes, Jr.	6 40	Albert Luce	30 60

Mrs. C. H. Lewis	49 63	Robert Vance	115 60
A. P. Lewis	3 00	Robert Vance	13 41
Paul Lauridson	8 44	R. J. Wark	15 23
Clarence Lauridson	3 00	R. J. Wark and	
O. R. Merchant	135 80	F. L. B.	136 00
O. R. Merchant	68 00	Mrs. B. H. Wiles	68 00
W. H. McFarlain	42 16	B. C. Weirs	21 76
T. L. McAllister	31 00	Ida White	64 94
Fred McKenzie	135 60	Miles White	3 00
Alex McLean	3 00	Harold White	3 00
Rex Mills	15 24	Edwin Woodard	3 00
P. Y. Mitchell	13 26	Llewellyn Woodard	3 00
Herbert Nichols	54 68	P. D. Weirs	3 00
Hope Neal	2 84	I. A. Young	72 97
Edward Nolan	3 00	D. P. Whitten	11 20
Joseph Neal	3 00	J. S. Smith	68 00
George Pardy	3 00	Ernest Hughes	20 40
E. C. Patten	95 20	Paid after	
Rodney Parsons	3 00	Settlement	85 00
Bert Palmer	27 90	Ivan Brooks	37 40
Mark Perkins	37 00	Richard Tozier	2 72
Leighton Pennell	3 00	Paid after	
Dana Pennell	3 00	Settlement	6 80
Lloyd Paige	3 00	Wilbur Bell Heirs	3 40
Stanley Past	3 00	Paid after	
F. B. Randall	320 90	Settlement	10 20
Mrs. Ada Raymond	61 20	Frank Homstead	15 30
William Rediker	3 00	Harry Davis	34 00
Richard Robinson	3 00	F. S. Glidden	1 80
Paid after		Carl Weymouth	
Settlement	9 12	Heirs	10 20
W. H. Seekins	59 16	Addie R. Huff	10 20
Paid after		Frank Russell	1 70
Settlement	5 75	Joseph Bouchard	6 80
Paid after		Frank Bishop	13 60
Settlement	91 53	Ginn, Smart and	
E. L. Smith	38 70	Dugin	40 80
E. F. Small	57 80	Charles Boyd	27 20
Paid after		Harry Snell	1 70
Settlement	3 00	F. L. Hoyt	3 40
Will Snowman	18 30	A. B. Nickerson	6 80
E. J. Torr	3 00	Maude Brown	10 20
Martha Torr	55 08	Asa Ladd	10 40
H. B. Towle	10 14	Nina Webber	6 80
Leo Tozier	3 00	Ada Orenson	5 10
Richard Vanadestine	75	C. B. Gifford	34 00

Mrs. C. A. Holt	30 60	Harold Stofford	3 00
Mrs. Grace Cook	43 00	James Tait	3 00
Eastern Trust and Banking Company and H. R. Coolidge	27 20	Ira Leathers	3 00
Clyde Brooks	20 40	Harlan Micue	3 00
B. F. Beacon	37 40	Monzer Libby	3 00
Ross Webber	238 00	Harrison Vanadestine	3 00
Floyd Giles	3 00	Ernest Thompson	3 00
Maynard Giles	9 80		
Richard Buzzell	3 00		
Omar Wheeler	3 00		
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			\$7,032 65
		Cash on Hand	273 78
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			\$7,306 43

### REPORT OF BACK TAXES

February 15, 1939

#### 1937 Taxes:

Balance, February 15, 1938	\$ 6,435 63	
Supplementary	30 60	
	<hr/>	\$ 6,466 23
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 5,723 79	
Abatements	100 86	
Uncollected	541 58	
	<hr/>	\$ 6,466 23

#### 1936 Taxes:

Balance, February 15, 1938	\$ 527 82	
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 241 60	
Abatements	54 32	
Uncollected	231 90	
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#### 1935 Taxes:

Balance, February 15, 1938	\$ 166 90	
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 65 00	
Abatements	33 00	
Uncollected	68 90	
	<hr/>	\$ 166 90

#### 1934 Taxes:

Balance, February 15, 1938	\$ 82 76	
Cash to Treasurer	\$ 38 40	
Abatements	7 20	
Uncollected	37 16	
	<hr/>	\$ 82 76



LIST OF UNCOLLECTED 1937 TAXES

Homer Berry	\$ 2 48	C. F. Holway Heirs	115 60
G. L. Bryant	7 48	James Hart	3 00
Thomas Berry		Maurice Humphrey	3 00
Heirs	40	Elwood Knowles	4 02
Clyde Brooks	3 00	A. J. Leavitt	28 16
Francis Bickford	3 40	Albert Lawrence	24 00
J. E. DeRaps	2 70	Vernon Lenfest	14 90
Charles Estes	23 00	Edward McShane	14 62
Harold Estes	6 40	C. F. McShane	19 32
Jerry Emery	3 00	Rex Mills	1 62
Edward Fitzpatrick	3 00	Robert Nichols	3 00
Reginald French	1 02	Frances Coston	3 00
Merton Green	5 04	J. S. Smith	68 00
Floyd Goodnow	4 36	E. A. Harding	3 40
Stanley Goodrich	3 00	Wilbur Bell Heirs	3 40
William Hussey	3 00	F. L. Hoyt	1 00
Rodney Parsons	3 00	T. F. Randlett	6 80
Dana Pennell	3 00	Ada Orenson	5 10
Richard Robinson	3 00	Resettlement Ad-	
Will Snowman	80	ministration	136 00
O. W. Somers	11 16		<hr/>
E. L. Smith	37 00		\$ 600 62
Herbert Stanley	3 00	Cash on Hand	40 96
Richard Vanadestine	3 00		<hr/>
B. C. Weirs	7 44		\$ 641 58

LIST OF 1936 UNCOLLECTED TAXES

February 15, 1939		Vernon Lenfest	22 53
1936:		John Lovering	5 49
Ernest L. Abbott	\$ 4 78	Albert Lawrence	33 18
G. L. Bryant	12 23	Glennis Lord	2 49
Francis Bickford	3 55	Charles McShane	8 88
Walter Barron	21 11	Richard Robinson	1 49
Carl Brooks	3 71	C. W. Somers	7 10
Stanley Cole	4 50	Mrs. James Tait	1 78
F. N. Cunningham	35 16	B. C. Weirs	27 34
Eugene Knights	3 00	E. J. Arno	3 00
Etta Leavitt Heirs	3 45	Roy Cowan	3 00
		E. A. LaBell	3 00

Albert Luce	5 49	Don Small	3 00
Wilbur Bell Heirs	3 55	Wilbur Bell Heirs	3 00
Harry Snell	1 78	Charles Bowden	6 00
Ada Orenson	5 33		
			\$ 68 90
	\$ 226 92		
Cash on Hand	4 98		
	\$ 231 90		
1935:		1934:	
Addie Boyington	\$ 12 00	C. B. Adams	\$ 3 00
Harry Brackett	6 00	F. F. Adams	3 00
Mrs. Vera Holt	2 00	A. W. Graham	13 32
E. A. LaBell	7 50	T. F. Morgan	3 00
Ivan McCrillin	3 00	William Wade	3 00
Cyril Richards	3 00	Archie Walker	3 00
T. L. Smith	1 50	E. A. LaBell	4 04
Willard Vanadestine	3 00	Charles Bowden	4 80
Edward Tozier	3 00		
Stanley Bates	12 60		
Reginald French	3 30		
			\$ 37 16
		LIST OF TAX DEEDS	
		F. G. Parsons	\$37 05
		Dolph Wilson Heirs	19 90
			\$ 56 95

### LIST OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

February 15, 1939

State Poor	\$ 695 60
Town of Atkinson	60 45
Town of Sherman	36 90
Town of Pittsfield	18 00
Town of Moro	58 00
Town of Wiscasset	60 00
Town of Orland	8 94
Town of Levant	19 24
	\$ 957 13

### LIST OF BONDED DEBT

Purpose	Maturity	Rate	Amount
Refunding	February 1, 1949	4%	\$10,000 00

## LIST OF CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

February 15, 1939

	Pass Book No.	Amt.
J. P. Langley	38479	\$100 00
Herbert Keene	38481	114 09
Lancey Fund	38454	363 98
W. D. Mitchell	38465	55 47
Perley Leavitt	38484	50 00
W. A. Blaisdell	38478	101 12
J. W. Homstead	38453	57 59
Michael Dyer	38473	214 62
William Tibbetts	38471	209 09
David Sanford	38470	101 12
M. F. Field	38467	103 41
Thomas Millett	38480	100 00
Stephen and Davis	38456	57 42
Webber and Clement	38458	245 39
Franklin Grant	38457	58 73
D. B. Hilton	38455	124 74
George Mills	38483	50 00
Taylor and Ladd	38482	75 00
Howard Estes	38474	50 00
Emma Stacey	38475	101 12
Henry Shaw	38472	50 00
Hanson and Woodbury	38468	103 41
H. M. Johonnett	38469	50 00
John F. Robinson	38466	107 12
Warren Farnum	38463	68 95
C. N. Jewett	38461	111 60
Augusta Cole	38477	50 00
Badger and Ross	38476	101 12
William Sinclair	38464	52 09
D. S. Robinson	38460	108 99
C. E. Spollett	38459	53 39
G. F. Batchelder	38462	76 68
		\$ 3,265 24

### Births Registered in Palmyra During Municipal Year 1938

Date 1938		Name	Sex	No.	Names of Parents
Feb.	22	George Richard	Male	5	Richard and Ethel May Buzzell
Mar.	6	Beverly Ann	Female	3	Claude Osborne and Velma I. Burlock
Mar.	28	Jacklin May	Female	6	Richard and Jennie Vanadestine
Apr.	3	Patricia Grace	Female	1	Roland Millard and Elizabeth Mable Perkins
Apr.	11	Betty Lea	Female	2	Arnold Eugene and Doris Merle Davis
Apr.	28	Baby	Female	3	Guy Elwood and Marion Estelle Knowles
May	27	Marl Ellen	Female	1	James A. and Leola B. Cushman
May	31	Raymond Paul	Male	1	Charles Woodrow and Gladys Irene Ormsby
June	23	Nancy Lee	Female	6	Howard Webster and Edna Vandell Estes
June	26	Richard Stanley	Male	1	Clarence A. and Clara B. Higgins
July	7	Vincent Coffin	Male	10	Robert Franklin and Grace Coffin Goforth
July	8	Beverly Maxine	Female	4	Byron Glenwood and Fern Martha Clement
July	13	Pearl Arlene	Female	2	Pearley Alexander and Pearle Marie Emery
July	25	Laurid Nelson	Male	3	Paul August and Ruth May Lauridson
Aug.	18	Barbara Jean	Female	4	Robert Irving and Bertha May Vance
Aug.	26	Paul Lemuel	Male	6	Vernon Norton and Frances Evelyn Snowman
Sept.	24	Baby	Male	3	Howard and Muriel Temple
Oct.	10	David Arlen	Male	3	Donald Alton and Jennie Mae Snowman
Nov.	15	Sandra Jane	Female	3	Lyrall V. and Florence W. Webber
Nov.	28	Baby	Male	2	Neal W. and Grace Andrews

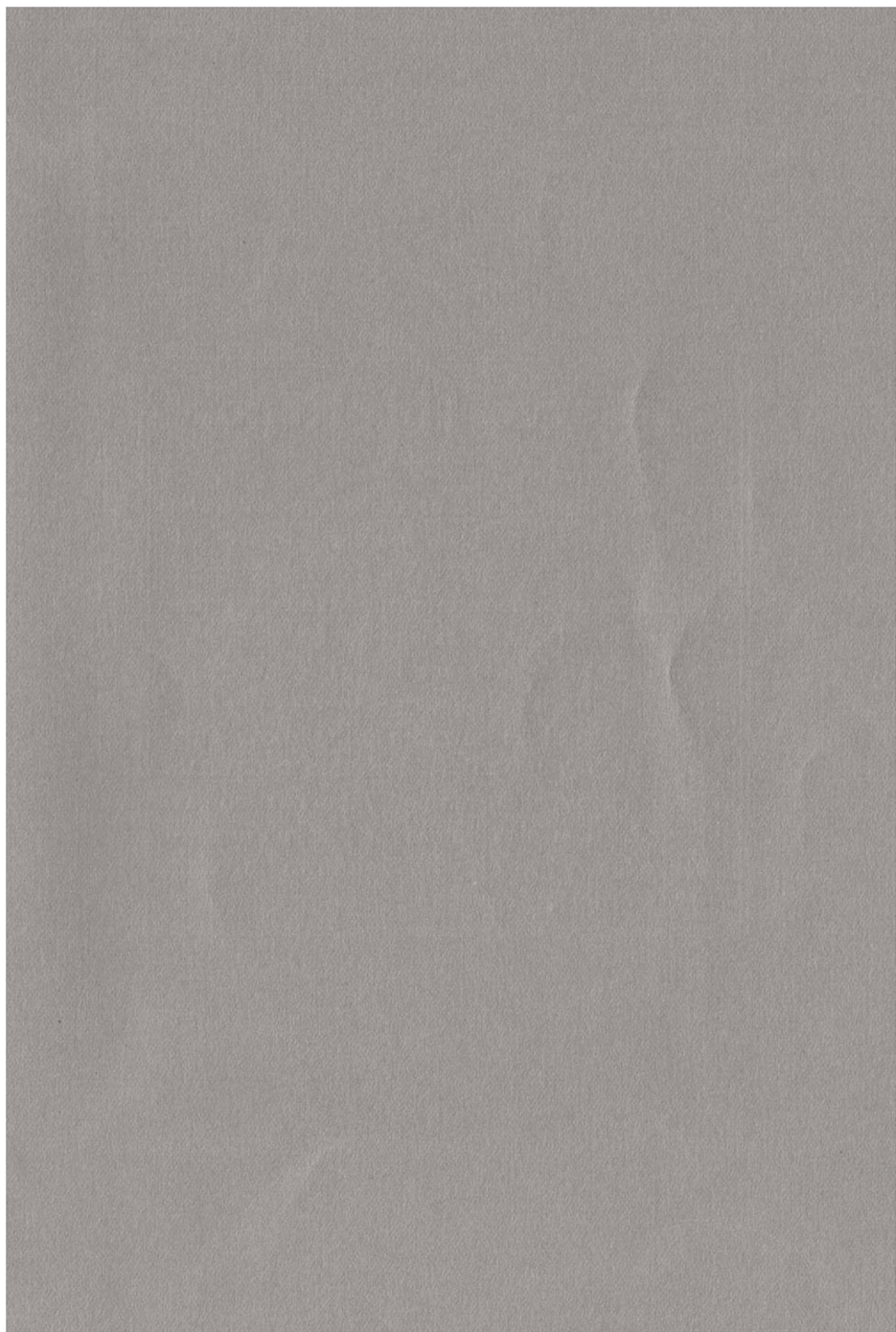
## Marriages Registered in Palmyra During Municipal Year 1938

Date 1938	Groom and Bride	Residence	Where Married	By Whom
April	29 Willard D. Austin Priscilla R. Robinson	Standish Palmyra	Palmyra	C. H. Johonnett, Clergyman
April	30 Don F. Seekins Thelma Elizabeth Mathews	Palmyra Pittsfield	Palmyra	C. H. Johonnett, Clergyman
May	4 Frank V. Randall Brida M. McNelley	Palmyra Bangor	Palmyra	C. H. Johonnett, Clergyman
May	17 Edward H. Bates Joan Normando	Palmyra Pittsfield	Newport	William F. Jude, J. P.
May	21 Edward Bubbles Janet Sargent Helen Leavitt	Augusta Palmyra	Newport	William F. Jude, J. P.
July	29 Daniel K. Weeks Beulah B. McPherson	Palmyra Harmony	Palmyra	C. H. Johonnett, Clergyman
Aug.	25 Lewis G. Leathers Leona M. Socoby	Palmyra Palmyra	Pittsfield	William L. Waldron, J. P.
Sept.	16 Harry A. White Mildred E. Booker	Hartland Palmyra	Palmyra	C. H. Johonnett, Clergyman
Sept.	24 Elwood J. Rediker Vivian L. Mills	Palmyra Hartland	Palmyra	Wm. A. Rediker, Clergyman
Oct.	1 George E. Giles Victory Parsons	St. Albans Palmyra	Palmyra	C. H. Johonnett, Clergyman
Oct.	8 Clarence Thurston Morton Daisy Leora May Hussey	Palmyra Palmyra	Newport	John W. Reynolds, Clergyman
Oct.	8 Lewellyn B. McFarland Muriel E. Humphrey	St. Albans Palmyra	Palmyra	C. H. Johonnett, Clergyman
Oct.	15 Frank Ernest Small Beatrice Eleanor Mills	Palmyra Hartland	Pittsfield	Milo G. Folsom, Clergyman
Dec.	24 Albert M. Richardson Adaline Vance	Palmyra Palmyra	Palmyra	C. H. Johonnett, Clergyman
Dec.	25 Lewellyn E. Woodard Zana M. Richardson	Palmyra Newport	Palmyra	C. H. Johonnett, Clergyman
1939	Maurice Sawyer	Ripley		
Jan.	28 Velma Neal	Palmyra	Palmyra	C. H. Johonnett, Clergyman

## Deaths Registered in Palmyra During Municipal Year 1938

Date 1938	Name	Years	Cause of Death	Physician
Mar.	11 John McClellan	55	Hit by train	W. S. Stinchfield
Mar.	16 Mary Ellen Whitman	80	Apoplectic Shock	W. B. Trickey
Mar.	18 Margaret A. Tait	2	Meningitis	G. I. Higgins
Apr.	28 Darlene Jane Knowles	0	Stillborn Infant	P. R. Briggs
May	6 Evelina May Goodrich	63	Cerebral Chrombosis	O. R. Emerson
58 May	22 Elmer Odell Gerrish	52	Heart Disease	C. A. Moulton
May	24 Mary Elizabeth Towle	74	Chronic Spinal Meningitis	C. A. Moulton
Aug.	1 Nancy Jane Davis	2	Natural Causes	W. S. Stinchfield
Aug.	22 James Franklin Adams	75	Carcinoma of Stomach	P. R. Briggs
Sept.	24 Baby Temple	0	Stillborn Infant	P. R. Briggs
Nov.	4 Samuel A. Hussey	62	Cancer of Bladder	O. R. Emerson
Nov.	8 Lucretia Leayitt	53	Anemia	M. A. Webber
Nov.	28 Baby Andrews	0	Premature birth	G. I. Higgins
Dec.	21 Hattie May Farnum	71	Carcinoma of Stomach	P. R. Briggs







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