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Annual Report
OF THE
Municipal Officers
OF THE
Town of Peru, Maine
FOR THE
Year Ending February 8th, 1939

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Town Officers

Moderator

W. S. ARNOLD

Town Clerk and Treasurer

HOWARD TURNER

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor

E. B. KNOX

A. B. McINTIRE

W. B. KIDDER

Collector of Taxes

ESBJORN WIKEN

Road Commissioner

C. M. LANE

Constables

ESBJORN WIKEN

ELMER HENRY

RALPH CALDEN

RICHARD POWELL

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber

W B. KIDDER

E. C. FARRAR

Sextons

A. H. WENTWORTH

FELIX GODISH

M. B. KNOX

Superintendent of Schools

FRANK McGOULDRICK

Superintending School Committee

ESTELLA WIKEN

HILDA DRAGOON

RODNEY LINNELL

Sealer of Weights and Measures

WILBUR P. HUSSEY

Fire Ward and Inspector

A. B. McINTIRE

Board of Health

ELLERY KIDDER

SYLVESTER SEARLES

A. H. WENTWORTH

Health Offier

A. G. HOWARD

Attendance Officers

EARL FROST

RICHARD POWELL

Report of Town Officers

To the Citizens of the Town of Peru:

Your Town Officers herewith submit the following report for the fiscal year ending February 8th, 1939.

Assessor's Report.

VALUATION

Real estate, resident	\$260,960.00	
Real estate, non-resident,	367,500.00	
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Total real estate,		\$628,460.00
Personal estate, resident,	31,585.00	
Personal estate, none-resident,	78,160.00	
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Total personal estate,		\$109,745.00
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Total valuation.		\$738,205.00
Total value of land,	\$174,245.00	
Total value of buildings,	454,215.00	

TABLE LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

	No.	Av. Value.	
Horses,	81	\$70.62	\$ 5,720.00
Cows,	331	33.67	11,145.00
Oxen,	2	60.00	120.00
Three year old,	61	28.01	1,709.00
Two years old,	80	19.11	1,529.00
Poultry, (over 50 in number),	34	.50	17.00
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Total amount,			\$20,240.00

EXEMPT LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

One year old,	72	\$11.07	\$ 797.00
Sheep, (to 35 in number),	23	5.00	115.00
Swine, (to 10 in number),	50	11.58	579.00
Poultry, (to 50 in number),	732	.50	366.00
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Total amount,			\$1,857.00

ALL OTHER PERSONAL PROPERTY

Stock in trade,	\$5,450.00	
Logs, Ft. B.M., 75,000 ft.	435.00	
Wood, 555 cords,	4,465.00	
Musical instruments, 36	1,800.00	
Radios,	1,955.00	
Finished products in mills,	26,400.00	
Manufactured materials in mills,	15,000.00	
Other property,	34,000.00	
Amount,		\$ 89,505.00
Amount live stock and poultry,		20,240.00
Total personal property,		\$109,745.00

APPROPRIATED AND ASSESSED

Common schools,	\$5,200.00	
High school tuition,	2,800.00	
Books and supplies,	400.00	
Repairs and equipment,	175.00	
Ins. New school house,	92.29	
Superintendence,	291.60	
Int. on school fund,	34.38	
Supt. office expense,	15.00	
Support of poor,	4,000.00	
Summer roads and bridges,	2,600.00	
Snow removal,	2,000.00	
Main. State and State aid roads,	900.00	
Main. 3rd class roads,	1,200.00	
Town officer's bills,	1,800.00	
Transferred excise tax for 1938 to Miscellaneous a/c and raised,	2,000.00	
Town Cemeteries,	150.00	
Improving State Aid Roads,	533.00	
School nursing,	62.00	
To retire long time loans,	3,000.00	
Appropriated for Town use,		\$27,253.27
State tax,		5,567.20
County tax,		2,502.13
Overlay,		1,589.08
Supplementary tax,		128.68
Appropriated and assessed,		\$37,040.36

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No. of polls taxed,	250	Rate of taxation,	.049
Number of polls untaxed,	44	Rate of collection,	.011
Poll tax,	\$3.00		

SUMMER ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriated,	\$2,600.00	
Overdrawn, 1937,	135.85	
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Available,		\$2,464.15
C M Lane, Commissioner,	\$ 383.86	
John Wiken, labor and truck,	257.84	
Arthur Child, labor,	113.08	
I. C. Kidder, material,	32.55	
Cumberland Sales Co., Grader blade,	6.36	
Ralph Farnham, labor,	1.58	
Leslie Gordon,	102.56	
H. D. Packard, labor, truck, gravel,	389.76	
Minot Pye, labor,	7.70	
Wm. Balcunas,	2.10	
J. C. Oldham, labor, gravel,	52.25	
W. I. Johnson, labor,	47.25	
John Kazregis,	17.25	
D. C. Chenery,	93.98	
Roy Oldham,	3.15	
Will Knox,	15.40	
E. Lovejoy,	1.75	
G. B. Gordon. gravel, gas,	37.60	
E. B. Knox, gravel.	1.80	
L. Stinchfield. smithing,	17.75	
A. McFee, labor, gravel,	3.50	
Duncan Gill, labor,	15.75	
E. E. Howard,	88.91	
Walter Hodge,	29.05	
Willis McGuire,	15.40	
Dominik Mazeikis,	1.40	
O. J. Putnam, labor, truck.	33.19	
E. C. Farrar, smithing,	, 1.50	
C. H. Towle, material,	.80	
F. M. Kidder, gas,	9.15	
Herbert Wood, gravel,	4.60	
A. G. Walker, labor,	59.63	
Fremont Washburn,	9.80	

Sherman Irish,	5.95	
Ellis Walker,	19.12	
Snow Shoe Club, gravel,	3.80	
Earl Frost, labor,	12.92	
Donald Lane,	6.45	
Daniel Lovejoy,	8.40	
K. Stinchfield,	10.50	
Frank Jolin, gravel,	1.00	
Carroll Oldham, labor,	9.10	
Ernest Sturtevant,	5.60	
W. W. Tainter, plank,	55.37	
Chas Taylor, labor,	6.10	
State Treas. Shovel,	22.50	
D. S. Bryant, labor,	.70	
Lovell Oldham,	19.25	
Jos. Jesselskis,	20.00	
W. L. Paul, gravel,	1.50	
Jos. Balcunas, labor,	45.15	
Anthony Mockus,	31.15	
Alex. Kushner,	2.10	
John Frost,	3.38	
Isadore Dragoon, labor,	4.00	
Herman Farnham,	.70	
Roy Harlow,	2.00	
Earl Chenery,	20.30	
Expended,		\$2,175.29
Unexpended,		\$ 288.86
THIRD CLASS ROAD MAINTENANCE		
Appropriated,	\$1,200.00	
Overdrawn, 1937,	232.46	
Available,		\$ 967.54
C. M. Lane, Commissioner,	\$ 63.69	
Richard Powell, labor,	12.78	
John Wiken, man and truck,	95.11	
Arthur Child, labor,	23.98	
Ralph Farnham,	9.10	
R. Donahue,	3.38	
Hermon Farnham,	11.73	
Leslie Gordon,	12.43	

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D. C. Chenery,	12.95
Earl Frost, man and truck,	21.38
Barrett Co., tar,	321.30
H. D. Packard, man and truck,	12.38
E. E. Howard, labor,	1.40
Earl Chenery,	2.10
Sherman Irish,	3.50
Richard Lane,	2.10
E. B. Knox, gravel,	4.40
Donald Lane, labor,	2.45
Rodney Haynes,	1.75
Robert Haynes,	1.05
Leslie Stinchfield,	13.66
Kenneth Stinchfield.	12.25
Daniel Lovejoy,	16.45

Available,		\$ 661.32
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Unexpended,		\$ 306.22
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THIRD CLASS CONSTRUCTION

Appropriated by State,	\$1,605.56
Overdrawn, 1937,	28.34

Available,		\$1,577.22
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Charles Taylor, Foreman,	\$ 52.50
C. M. Lane, labor,	46.85
Walter Hodge,	4.20
Leslie Stinchfield,	11.55
Kenneth Stinchfield,	14.35
Daniel Lovejoy,	.70
John Wiken, man and truck,	168.47
Chas. Hovey, shovel man,	49.50
D. S. Bryant, labor,	28.87
Leslie Gordon,	8.40
D. C. Chenery,	8.40
Lovell Oldham,	33.25
Willis McGuire,	23.80
Durward Oldham,	22.40
Earl Chenery,	12.60
Arthur Child,	26.60
Will Knox,	22.75
Elmer Child,	15.40

Clifford Gill,	5.60
Thos. Saunders,	15.40
M. B. Knox, man and truck,	109.46
O. J. Putnam, man and truck,	124.51
H. D. Packard, man and truck,	91.26
C. L. Walker, man and truck,	112.73
Ellis Walker, man and truck,	85.14
John Frost, man and truck,	23.27
Everett Webster, man and truck,	47.16
P. Arsenault, man and truck,	42.26
I. C. Kidder, material,	13.35
Maurice Tracy,	8.40
Fremont Washburn,	2.80
Donald Lane,	2.80
G. B. Gordon, labor, gravel,	184.50
V. A. Eastman, smithing,	2.50
E. C. Farrar, smithing,	3.35
N. East Metal Culvert Co.,	8.58
State, use of shovel,	185.62

Expended,

\$1,619.28

Overdrawn,

\$ 42.06

STATE AID ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Appropriated by State,	\$1,066.00
Appropriated by Town,	533.00
Unexpended, 1937,	14.57

Amt. Joint Fund,

\$1,613.57

Land damage awarded J. Caliendo.	\$ 250.00
Charles Taylor, Foreman,	65.93
C. M. Lane, labor,	35.87
Donald Lane,	5.60
J. C. Oldham, labor, gravel,	41.70
Carroll Oldham, labor,	47.07
Wm. Johnson,	47.52
Harold Packard, man and truck,	176.80
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.,	75.95
Sherman Irish, labor,	5.60
Fred Ricker,	20.80
Eugene Smith,	20.80
E. E. Howard, labor, posts,	58.67

Hicks & Pennell, material,	2.16	
L. Stinchfield, smithing,	1.50	
V. Eastman, smithing,	3.15	
Wm. Paul, gravel,	12.30	
I. C. Kidder, material.	60.70	
Chas. Hovey, shovel man,	59.40	
D. S. Bryant, labor,	36.44	
Minot Pye,	34.82	
Lovell Oldham,	29.92	
Will Knox,	29.92	
Ellis Walker,	77.78	
Merle Knox, man and truck,	64.80	
C. L. Walker, man and truck,	61.66	
O. J. Putnam, man and truck,	19.23	
John Wiken, man and truck,	21.44	
State, use shovel,	222.74	
State, use compressor,	57.00	
State, tar and labor,	303.51	
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Expended,		\$1,950.79
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Overdrawn,		\$ 337.22
STATE & STATE AID ROAD MAINTENANCE		
Appropriated,	\$ 900.00	
Unexpended, 1937,	86.06	
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Available,		\$ 986.06
C. M. Lane, Commissioner,	\$ 6.13	
Richard Powell, labor,	1.22	
John Wiken, man and truck,	15.14	
Arthur Child, labor,	1.05	
Lovell Oldham,	45.85	
Will Knox,	40.25	
Durwood Oldham, man and truck.	22.50	
Carroll Oldham, labor,	38.85	
J. C. Oldham,	38.85	
S. A. Hazelton, material,	2.43	
State, patrolling,	597.60	
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Expended,		\$ 809.87
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Unexpended,		\$ 176.19

TRACTOR HOUSE

Unexpended, 1937,	\$ 23.69	
Rent of tractor house,	50.00	
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Available,		\$ 73.69
Land rent for tractor house,		12.00
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Unexpended,		\$ 61.69

UNIMPROVED ROAD

Appropriated by State,	\$ 581.96	
Overdrawn, 1937,	.10	
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		\$ 581.86
C. M. Lane, Commissioner,	\$ 46.50	
Leslie Gordon, labor,	30.45	
D. C. Chenery,	30.45	
E. E. Howard,	26.95	
Arthur Child,	4.55	
Walter Hodge,	24.85	
H. D. Packard, labor, truck,	95.63	
J. V. Wiken, labor, truck,	145.13	
A. G. Walker, labor, truck,	67.50	
O. J. Putnam, labor, truck,	63.00	
Fremont Washburn, labor,	21.00	
Sherman Irish,	4.55	
G. B. Gordon, gravel,	10.60	
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Expended,		\$ 571.16
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Unexpended,		\$ 10.70

SPECIAL RESOLVE ROAD

Appropriated by the State,		\$1,000.00
Charles Taylor, Foreman,	\$ 43.70	
Chas. M. Lane, labor,	42.77	
John Wiken, labor, truck,	72.67	
O. J. Putnam, labor, truck,	43.95	
Earl Frost, labor, truck,	19.13	
H. D. Packard, labor, truck,	19.13	
Leslie Gordon, labor,	32.02	

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Arthur Child,	22.22
J. C. Oldham,	5.96
D. C. Chenery,	28.87
Leon Frost,	5.95
Chas. Smith,	5.95
Ralph Farnham,	5.95
Wellington Scott,	5.95
Lincoln Scott,	5.95
Durward Oldham,	16.27
E. E. Demeritt, culvert,	3.00
Chas. Hovey, shovel man,	38.10
D S. Bryant, labor,	21.70
Lovell Oldham,	24.32
Will Knox,	20.99
Willis McGuire,	8.40
Maurice Tracy,	8.40
Clifford Gill,	12.60
Earl Chenery,	7.00
Elmer Child,	11.20
M. B. Knox, man and truck,	39.52
Donald Lane, labor,	12.07
Kenneth Stinchfield,	4.90
Leslie Stinchfield,	4.90
Ellis Walker, man and truck,	46.45
John Frost, man and truck	34.30
Wyman & Simpson, labor,	19.50
N. E. Metal Culvert Co.,	166.60
State, use of shovel,	139.50

Expended,	\$ 999.88
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Unexpended,	\$.12
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SNOW REMOVAL

Appropriated,	\$2,000.00
Unexpended,	669.45

Available,	\$2,669.45
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Leslie Gordon, labor,	\$ 194.26
S. A. Hazelton, gas,	31.42
C. A. Lane, gas,	5.80
Bovin Welding Co.,	30.70

Clark's Foundry,	7.16
D. C. Chenery,	31.15
Will Austin, running,	21.00
M. B. Knox, plowing snow,	175.38
William Johnson,	.70
Kenneth Roberts,	2.80
A. R. Porter, plowing snow,	75.25
John Wiken,	44.01
Arthur Child,	60.56
Mrs. G. B. Gordon, gas,	8.26
I. C. Kidder, gas,	23.09
A. H. Wentworth,	2.45
Donald Lane,	25.10
J. C. Oldham,	3.85
F. M. Kidder,	58.04
Joseph Balconas,	3.85
Richard Powell,	9.80
Charles M. Lane,	204.20
Arthur McFee,	1.40
A. L. Harlow,	1.93
A. G. Howard,	2.00
State Highway Department, plow- ing snow,	118.00
Ellis Walker,	2.00
W. M. Dean, gravel,	4.60
Farm Service Inc., salt,	17.50
Earl Frost, material,	1.00
Durwood Oldham,	3.50
Town of Mexico,	52.50
Richard Lane,	.70
John Norris,	.70
Portland Tractor Co. Inc.,	372.08
D. S. Bryant,	54.00
Moose Horn Garage,	4.94
E. W. System Co., blades,	27.00
J. A. Monteith, gas,	1.90
Virginia Battery Co.,	4.00
Archie Howard, sanding and plowing,	29.69
Town of Dixfield,	72.00
Alton Lovejoy,	2.10
Ray Knox,	1.40
W. M. Dean. gas,	4.18

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Alex Kushner,	4.50	
Maine Duntile Co.,	3.00	
Town of Peru,	12.00	
C. L. Robinson, hauling wood, tractor house,	2.50	
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Expended,		\$1,820.41
Unexpended,		\$849.04

TOWN CEMETERIES

Appropriated,	\$ 150.00	
Overdrawn, 1937,	37.47	
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Available,		\$ 112.53
E. Peru Cemeteries, M. B. Knox,	\$ 18.50	
Pond Cemetery, J. C. Oldham,	3.00	
Dickvale, Cote and Burgess Hill Cemeteries, A. H. Wentworth,	10.15	
Knox Cemetery, Felix Godish,	3.50	
Franklin Annex Cemetery, Elmer Child,	5.00	
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Expended,		\$ 40.15
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Unexpended,		\$ 72.38

HOLLIS TURNER CEMETERIES

Unexpended, 1937,	\$ 2.21	
Interest, 1938,	18.42	
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Available,		\$ 20.63
Felix Godish,	\$ 3.50	
C. H. Robinson,	7.00	
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Expended,		\$ 10.50
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Unexpended,		\$ 10.13

AUSTIN CEMETERY FUND

Interest, 1938, available,	\$ 2.51
W. B. Austin, care of lot,	2.51
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CUSHMAN CEMETERY FUND

Interest, 1938,	\$ 1.24	
Unexpended, 1937,	13.53	

Available,		\$ 14.77
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LOVEJOY CEMETERY FUND

Interest, 1938,	\$ 2.51	
Unexpended, 1937,	20.93	

Available,		\$ 23.44
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MARTIN CEMETERY FUND

Interest, 1938,	\$ 2.51	
Unexpended,	2.30	

Available,		\$ 4.81
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FENCING UNPROTECTED GRAVES

Unexpended, 1937, available,		\$ 53.22
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HEALTH NURSING

Appropriated,		\$ 62.00
State Welfare Department,		62.00

LONG TIME LOANS

Appropriated,		\$3,000.00
Paid E. C. Knox,		3,000.00

SUPPORT OF TOWN POOR

Appropriated,	\$4,000.00	
Overdrawn,	2,457.76	

Available,		\$1,524.24
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Ida Storer:

Paid Vivian Morrison, wood,	18.00	18.00
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Chas Wing a/c.

J. B. Cressey, groceries,	\$ 32.69	
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Town of Leeds, groceries and doctor,	256.40	
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Central Maine Gen Hospital,	46.95	336.04
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Edmond Wing a/c.		
J . B. Cressey, supplies furnished.	30.34	
Town of Leeds, supplies, medical account,	149.48	179.82
John Frost a/c.		
F. M. Kidder, groceries,	23.47	
A. G. Howard, wood.	4.00	
G. G. Defoe, medical att.,	7.50	34.97
William Gross a/c.		
I. C. Kidder, supplies,	100.61	100.61
Alton Burgess a/c.		
Emma Dunton, board and care,	\$ 95.50	
C. A. Lane. clothing,	8.82	
Cora Frost, board and care,	63.00	
I. C. Kidder, clothing,	11.15	
G. O. Gardiner, medicine,	10.75	189.22
Duncan Gill a/c.		
J. C. Morrell, rent.	15.00	15.00
Charles Frost a/c.		
C. A. Lane,	\$ 159.37	
Harry Marsh, burial expenses,	135.00	
C. V. Horne, rent,	72.00	
Carroll Robinson, hauling wood,	3.00	
Town of Peru. wood fur- nished,	12.00	
I. C. Kidder, clothing,	7.10	388.47
Poor bill for 1937,		100.24
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		\$ 488.71
Real Estate taken over,		\$ 488.71
F. J. Wing a/c.		
Town of Winthrop, supplies,	108.97	108.97
Soldier No. 1		\$ 91.05
Clarence Adkins a/c.		
C. A. Lane, clothing,	\$ 13.47	
Wm. T. Rivers, M.D.	2.00	
Town Peru, transportation to Portland Hospital,	21.00	
C. L. Walker, transportation to Portland Hospital,	16.00	

G. O. Gardiner, medicine,	5.10	
D. E. Elsmore, M.D.,	21.80	79.37
Cr. making signes for Town Bridges		12.00
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Total,		\$ 67.37
Aura Knight a/c.		
A. G. Howard, wood,	8.00	
C. A. Lane, groceries,	72.18	
G O. Gardiner,	6.50	
T. C. Cunningham,	18.92	
C. L. Walker, hauling wood,	1.25	
Irene Knight,	18.00	
R. L. & Water Co.	4.83	
G. G. Defoe,	5.50	135.18
James Dermondy a/c.		
F M. Kidder, supplies and furnished,	28.56	28.56
Lovell Oldham a/c.		
Sidney Hezelton. groceries,	\$ 280.97	
C. L. Walker.	67.00	
G. G. Defoe,	103.35	
Dexter Elsmore, M.D.	11.00	
Knox & Hezelton, rent,	20.00	
A. L. Harlow, hauling lumber,	8.15	
D. E. Oldham, transportation,	10.00	
W. B. Kidder, lumber furnished,	26.06	
Morris Oldham,	1.00	
H. A. Moody,	2.00	
I. C. Kidder,	16.37	
G. O. Gardiner, medical supplies,	5.24	
C. M. G. Hospital,	70.45	
Blue Line, transportation,	.95	
M. B. Knox, hauling lumber for camp,	14.62	
Dixfield Lumber Co.,	5.72	
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Cr. for cutting 14 $\frac{3}{4}$ cords wood at \$2.50 per cord,		36.88
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		\$ 606.00

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Frank Potter a/c.		
Emma Lufkin, board and care,	\$ 218.25	
C. A. Lane, supplies,	31.70	249.95
Stanley Gilinsky a/c.		
Stella Cushmier, board and care	\$ 176.00	
G. O. Gardiner, medicine,	.65	
D. E. Elsmore, medical care,	1.50	178.15
Fred Thompson a/c.		
G. G. Defoe, M.D.,	2.00	2.00
Tramps a/c.		
John Knauer,	\$ 3.75	
I. C. Kidder,	7.28	
J. R. Chapman,	17.75	
E. B. Knox,	1.50	
W. B. Kidder,	.25	
J. V. Wiken,	2.00	32.51
Leon H. Reed a/c.		
Harry Marsh, burial expenses,	100.00	100.00
Marshall Child a/c.		
S. A. Hezelton, supplies,	\$ 103.12	
A. L. Walker, milk,	2.20	
Dexter Elsmore, M.D., medical att.	164.40	
Morris Oldham, milk,	13.21	
G. O. Gardiner, merchandise,	80.95	
Rumford Community Hospital,	118.55	
E. M. McCarty, M.D.,	6.00	
F. M. Kidder, groceries,	137.65	
Mrs. A. R. Porter, milk,	42.30	
		\$ 668.38
Cr. cutting 2 $\frac{3}{8}$ cords wood,		5.94
		\$ 662.44
Tom Price a/c.		
C. A. Lane, supplies,	49.14	49.14
Earl Chenery a/c.		
C. A. Lane	4.14	4.14

Linwood Knox a/c.		
Mrs. F. G. French,	12.00	
Town of Hebron,	59.00	71.00
Soldier No. 2,		\$ 126.16
Heirs of Nelson Lufkin a/c.		
G. G. Defoe, M.D., medical att.	82.50	82.50
Berchard Malone a/c.		
Paid Town of Buckfield,		
burial expenses,		\$ 119.00
Received from:		
Dixfield Branch R. F. Trust		
Co. Dept.	\$ 20.25	
Shingles,	10.00	
Nathan Flagg Camp,	10.00	
Wood sold Walter Byron,	3.50	
Elbert Davis, stove,	8.00	
Linus Libby for truck,	3.00	
Of Benj. Roberts,	.35	55.10
Balance due,		<u>\$ 63.90</u>
Charles Hammond, poor acount.		
Paid Town of Sumner, groceries		
and medical aid,		\$ 43.45
Will Poland a/c.		
Emma Lufkin, board,	\$ 141.40	
I. C. Kidder, clothing,	9.75	
C. A. Lane, clothing,	.79	151.94
William Knox a/c.		
S. A. Hezelton, groceries,	\$ 567.61	
John Wiken, rent.	120.00	
G. G. Defoe, M.D., doctor,	46.50	
G. O. Gardiner, medicines,	1.29	
M. B. Knox, hauling wood,	5.90	
C. L. Walker, transportation,	3.00	
A. B. McIntire, transportation,	4.75	
Morriaty Casket Co.	12.00	

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I. C. Kidder, clothing,	4.88	765.93
Cr. for cutting 10 $\frac{1}{8}$ cords of wood at \$2.50 per.		25.32

 \$ 740.61

Expended,		\$4,370.44
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Overdrawn,		\$2,828.26
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OTHER TOWN'S POOR

Harry Homes, Buckfield,		
Due from Buckfield, 1937,	13.55	
C. A. Lane, groceries,	14.11	
I. C. Kidder, groceries,	37.15	
O. J. Putnam, moving,	7.88	
Walter Byron, board and care,	72.50	131.64
Expended,		\$ 145.19

Received from Buckfield,		\$ 145.19
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Arthur Garland, Rumford,		
Due from Rumford, 1937,	\$ 47.28	
C. A. Lane, groceries. ex- pended 1938,	89.48	
		\$ 136.76

Received from Rumford		77.73
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Due from Rumford,		\$ 59.03
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Roy Norton, Roxbury,		
Peter Dragoon, board and care of Norton girl,	32.00	
Stella Wiken, board and care of Roy Norton, Jr.	78.50	
M. B. Knox, hauling wood,	1.50	
I. C. Kidder, groceries,	65.82	
Adolph Gudginsky, rent,	6.00	

 \$ 183.82

Received from Roxbury,		96.50
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Due from Roxbury,		\$ 87.32
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Elmore Vaughn, Mexico,		
Due from 1937,	31.00	
C. A. Lane, groceries,	28.13	
John Wiken, rent,	45.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 104.13
Received from Mexico on use of		
Tractor,	52.90	
Received from Mexico, tuition,	45.10	
	<hr/>	\$ 98.00
Due from Mexico, 1938,		\$ 6.13

STATE POOR ACCOUNT

W. H. Dinsmore a/c		
Paid C. A. Lane, supplies		
furnished,	244.51	
E. E. Demerritt, paid rent	144.00	
G. G. Defoe, medical aid,	29.75	
R. F. L. & Water Co., lights,	12.81	
A. L. Lovejoy, wood,	6.00	
A. H. Wentworth, wood,	14.00	
John Wiken, hauling wood,	1.00	
C. L. Knox, wood,	8.00	
C. L. Walker, hauling wood,	2.50	
Durward Oldham, hauling wood,	3.00	
M. B. Knox, hauling wood.	1.50	
Carroll Robinson, hauling wood,	5.50	
Richard Walker, hauling wood,	1.87	
Town of Peru, State,		
Wood furnished W. H. Dinsmore,	48.00	
Ellis Walker, hauling wood,	2.25	
M. M. Coolidge, wood furnished,	1.50	
	<hr/>	\$ 526.19
Anthony Daigle, State.		
C. A. Lane, supplies.	12.05	12.05

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Frank E. Mayo,		
Leroy Searles, board and care,	23.58	
I. C. Kidder, clothing,	8.85	32.43
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Expended, 1938,		\$ 570.67
Balance due, 1937,		\$ 436.10
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Received from State,		\$ 1,006.77
		733.39
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Due,		\$ 273.38

MISCELLANEOUS

Account, 1938,	\$2,000.00	
Unexpended, 1937,	37.92	
	<hr/>	\$2,037.92
Excise Tax, 1938,	\$ 948.00	
Interest on Tax Deeds and Liens,	21.88	
Dog Tax Refund.	54.94	
Licenses,	9.00	
Cemetery Lots sold,	20.00	
Supplementary Tax,	128.68	
Bank Tax,	1.27	
Hedgehog bounty, refund,	8.61	
Received Stowell & McGregor,	14.62	
Old Snow Plow, M. B. Knox, 1938	50.00	
Wood sold,	218.00	
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Available,		\$3,510.95
Paid C. L. Walker, board and care, Herbert Knox,	\$ 182.50	
Paid Goodwill Home Asso. Knox Children,	30.77	
Paid Rumford Falls Light and Water Co.,	30.20	
Paid Rumford Falls Publishing Co., reports and town books,	53.75	
Hedgehog Bounty,	43.25	
Paid, E. B. Knox, incidentals, tel., express, postage,	36.90	

Paid A. B. McIntire, delivering relief and inci., postage,	110.60
Paid W. B. Kidder, auto hire, inci.,	96.75
Paid Howard Turner. making deeds and postage,	17.23
Paid I. C. Kidder, Inci. and flags,	9.46
Paid Alton Wheeler, legal advice,	10.00
Paid John Babb, sheriff,	4.10
Paid A. L. Harlow, hauling wood,	21.00
Paid A. G. Walker, hauling wood,	58.25
Paid Richard Walker, swamping roads.	1.40
Paid C. L. Robinson, hauling wood,	2.50
Paid Peter Dragoon, Sawing wood,	1.50
Paid State Department for Audit,	10.90
Paid E. H. Shute, auditor,	15.00
Paid Thayer Hospital, Warren Knox,	18.50
Paid State, Vivian Wing care,	169.79
Paid W. & E. Gurley, supplies,	16.30
Paid Martin Typewriter Co.	18.60
Paid Rumford Falls Trust Co., check book,	1.50
Paid Maine Municipal Asso.,	30.00
Paid Marks Publishing Co., collector book,	1.50
Paid Roy Norton,	1.00
Paid J. S. Sturtevant, M. D., Mary Balconas,	5.00
Paid Portland & Rumford Express,	2.38
Paid Fogg's Transportation. express,	18.37
Paid G. G. Defoe, M. D., Mary Balconas,	5.00
Paid Loring, Short & Harmon, Town book,	45.65
Paid E. E. Demeritt, fence,	2.10
Paid Leslie Gordon, work with tractor,	1.75
Paid F. M. Kidder, gas, moving John Frost Home,	1.90
Paid C. M. Lane, labor on Staples Road,	5.25
Paid E. E. Howard, labor on Staples Road,	4.20

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Paid Will Knox, labor on Staples Road	4.20
Paid Lovely Oldham, labor on Staples Road,	4.20
Paid W. J. Johnson, labor on Staples Road,	4.20
Paid C. B. Knox, cutting wood on Staples lot,	22.96
Paid Hicks & Pennell, old bill, 1936,	9.38
Paid Peter MacDonald, legal advice,	13.45
Paid Mrs. F. G. French, rent on Tractor House Land,	12.00
Paid Corey Express,	.78
Paid Esbjorn Wiken, Excise Tax Book,	1.10
Paid Harvey Powers, Register Deed,	1.25
Paid Elmer Child, adjustment on Tax Lien,	7.91
Paid D. E. Elsmore, M. D., vital statistics,	1.25
Paid S A. Hazelton, gas,	1.80
Paid State Treasurer for use of shovel.	14.62
Long Time Loans Interest,	
Paid John Wiken, interest,	60.00
Paid Howard Turner, interest,	40.00
Paid H. H. Oldham, interest,	40.00
Paid A. S. Holman, interest,	62.00
Paid W. S. Arnold, Trustee for Florence Shaw,	40.00
Paid Stella Wentworth, interest,	40.00
Paid Marjory Oldham, interest,	20.00
Paid Nina Kidder, interest,	11.00
Paid H. R. Robinson, interest	72.00
Paid E. C. Knox, interest,	220.00
Paid George E. Bunker, interest,	240.00
Paid George E. Bunker, interest,	280.00
Long Time Interest Notes	
Temporary Loans, Short Time	
Paid Howard Turner, interest,	33.61
Paid A. S. Holman, interest,	45.97
Paid C. H. Wentworth, interest,	25.00
Paid C. R. Eastman, interest,	67.50

Paid Rumford Falls Trust Co., interest,	7.36	
Paid John Wiken, interest,	20.88	
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Expended,		\$ 2,509.22
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Unexpended,		\$ 1,001.73

TOWN OFFICERS BILLS

Appropriated,	\$1,800.00	
Overdrawn, 1937,	222.94	
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Available,		\$1,577.06
E. B. Knox, Selectmen services,	345.10	
A. B. McIntire, Selectmen services,	248.60	
W. B. Kidder, Selectmen services,	260.50	
Esbjorn Wiken, Tax Collector,		
Tax on Property,	\$404.18	
Taxe on Excise,	5.96	
Expense and service,	78.00	488.14
Howard Turner, Clerk and		
Treasurer,		250.00
Stella Wiken, School Board,		25.00
Hilda Dragoon, School Board,		24.50
Rodney Linnell, School Board,		21.00
Arno Howard, Health Officer,		3.00
Ellery Kidder,		2.00
A. L. Harlow, ballot.		7.00
Dwight Bigelow, ballot		3.50
Albert Wentworth,		3.50
W. S. Arnold, Moderator		7.00
Ralph Calden, constable,		6.80
S. A. Hazelton, collecting taxes		
of 1937,		11.50
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Expended,		\$1,707.20
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Overdrawn,		\$ 130.14

Esbjorn Wiken, 1938, Tax Collector
ABATEMENTS

Fred Farnum,	\$	3.00	
Dexter Gurney,		1.23	
John C. Oldham,		3.00	
Lovell Oldham,		3.00	
Chas. and Alton Bartlett.		39.20	
Chas and Lawrence Hill,		14.70	
R F. T. Co.,		39.20	
Bertha White,		3.68	
Heirs of Nelson Lufkin,		24.50	
Minot Pye,		3.00	
Roy Norton,		3.00	
Jim Dermody,		3.00	
Elmer S. Hannaford,		3.00	
John Herrick,		3.00	
Joe Kavalsky,		3.00	
Victor Robinson,		3.00	
Herbert Lord,		3.00	
Berchard Malone,		5.45	
Tom Twist,		3.00	
Tom Price,		3.00	
Harry Holmes,		11.82	
Earl Frost,		14.70	
Error in abatement,		4.85	
			\$ 198.33

Sidney Hezelton

Abatements, 1937,			
Clarence Adkins,	\$	3.00	
Sheldon Dymment,		3.00	
Cyrus Gallant,		3.00	
James Richards,		3.00	
William Carvell,		3.00	
Estate of Sewell Knight,		.48	
Simon Tutlis,		19.32	
Malcom Wood,		3.00	
			\$ 37.80

DELINQUENT

Arthur Porter,	\$ 48.02
Richard Powell,	6.13
George Powell,	11.03
Ernest Sturtevant,	20.58
H. L. Shaw,	6.43
Fred Lovejoy,	3.00

\$ 95.19 .

FINANCIAL STANDING OF TOWN

February 8, 1939

Resources

Cash on hand.	\$5,040.83
Due on Tax Bills, 1934,	10.96
“ “ “ “ 1935,	61.90
“ “ “ “ 1938,	95.19
Tax Liens and Deeds,	2,216.60
Lot 9, R. 10, Thompson Gt.,	300.00
New School House,	15,000.00
Brick School House,	300.00
Staples Property,	468.30
Ezeriah Noyes Mtg.	265.00
F. French property,	370.31
Charles Frost property,	488.71
Due from Mexico,	6.13
“ “ State,	273.38
“ “ Rumford,	59.03
“ “ Roxbury,	87.32

Total resources,

\$25,061.66

Liabilities

Loans, George E. Bunker,	\$13,000.00
E. C. Knox,	2,000.00
H. R. Robinson,	1,800.00
A. S. Holman, heirs of	1,550.00
M. H. Oldham,	1,000.00
John Wiken,	1,500.00
Florence Shaw,	
W. S. Arnold Trustee,	1,000.00

Howard Turner,	1,000.00	
Stella Wentworth,	1,000.00	
Marjory Oldham,	500.00	
Nina Kidder,	275.00	
Total liabilities,		\$24,625.00
Resources over Liabilities,		\$ 436.66
Auto Excise Tax of 1939 on Hand		\$283.43

Town Books of 1937 have been audited and approved.

E. B. KNOX,
A. B. MCINTIRE,
W. B. KIDDER,
Selectmen.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

Balance in Bank,	\$ 1,552.79
Excise tax, 1938,	948.03
State, unimproved roads,	581.96
Real estate taken over,	632.50
Short time loans,	7,700.00
Int. on tax deeds and liens,	21.88
Tax deeds and liens,	487.36
Snow plow sold,	50.00
Dog tax,	166.00
State poor,	733.40
Licenses,	9.00
1938 tax bills,	36,942.72
State, hedgehog bounty,	8.61
Rent tractor house,	50.00
Use State shovel,	14.62
Adjustments,	7.92
State, bank stock tax,	1.27
Wood off Staples lot,	143.75
Burchard Malone est.,	55.10
State, State aid road,	1,363.57
“ third class road,	1,605.56
“ special resolve road,	994.89
“ Cr. snow pay rolls,	216.74
“ Cr. dog license refund,	54.94

“ Cr. school fund,	2,402.93	
Sold, 2 cemetery lots,	20.00	
Personal tax, 1934,	15.51	
Personal tax, 1937,	240.90	
Dixfield, tractor gas,	2.85	
Int. on cemetery funds,	27.19	
Mexico. Cr. use tractor,	45.10	
Cr. tuition.	52.90	
Excise tax, 1939,	283.43	
Sold road machine junk,	5.00	
Sold lumber school a/c,	2.00	
Other town's poor,	319.42	
	<hr/>	\$57,759.84
	<i>Expenditures</i>	
Warrants paid,	\$52,435.58	
Cash in Bank,	5,324.26	
	<hr/>	\$57,759.84

Respectfully submitted,

HOWARD TURNER, *Treasurer.*

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Record of Marriages, Births and Deaths returned to this office for the year ending February 8th, 1939.

MARRIAGES

1938.

- Feb. 18, at Peru, Charles Gammon and Julia F. Leckey,
both of Peru.
- May 10, at Peru, Albert E. Rich and Gertrude A. Wing,
both of Canton.
- May 23, at Rumford, Oliver W. Sargent of Peru and Emma
Therrien of Rumford.
- June 6, at Auburn, Archer P. Howard of Peru and Pauline
A. McGee of Auburn.
- June 11, at Rumford, Maurice Louvat of Rumford and
Eufresia M. Lufkin of Peru.
- June 18, at Rumford, Felix Stalmuke of Rumford and Mary
Barney of Peru.

- Aug. 25, at Peru, Guy W. Hillman, Jr., and Catherine King, both of Rumford.
- Sept. 26, at Rumford, Ernest T. Breault of Rumford and Reta H. M. Tebbets of Peru.
- Oct. 29, at Peru, Joel Bushie and Dorothy M. Birney, both of Peru.
- Nov. 11, at Peru, Linwood E. Birney and Gertrude M. Hatch, both of Peru.
- Nov. 19, at Mexico, Robert B. Bourgea of Mexico and Laurel MacDonald of Peru.
- Nov. 26, at Mexico, Alfred Ferland of Mexico and Dorothy E. Vaughn of Peru.

1939.

- Feb. 5, at W. Paris, Charles Norris of Peru and Ruth A. Stevens of Canton.

BIRTHS

1938.

- Jan. 6, at Peru, to Sidney H and Loretta Tripp, a son, Allen Wendell
- Jan. 31, at Rumford, to Albert and Dorothy Gammon a son, George Adelbert.
- Feb. 11, at Peru, to Elmer R. and Effie E. Henry, a daughter, Joan Glenys.
- Feb. 22, at Rumford, to Dwight L. and Effie J. Bigelow, a daughter, Rita Rosalie.
- Mar. 25, at Peru, to Waldo A. and Ruth E. Porter, a son, Frank Ernest.
- Apr. 3, at Rumford, to Leslie L. and Mabel L. Gordon, a son, Gerald Leslie.
- May 15, at Rumford, to Kenneth L. and Inez M. Stinchfield, a daughter, Sylvia Gale.
- June 23, at Peru, to Walter and Gladys Hodge, a son, Grant John.
- Dec. 29, at Peru, to Thos. S. and Rena A. Walker, a daughter, Jacqueline Anne.

1939.

- Jan. 30, at Peru, to Gerrard O. and Ingeborg Fries, a daughter, Mariline Hannah.

DEATHS

		<i>Yrs.</i>	<i>Mos.</i>	<i>Days</i>
1937				
Dec. 19,	at Rumford, Lottie Blaisdell,	65	6	26
1938.				
Feb. 18,	at Rumford, Andrew Mortenson,	76		14
Feb. 25,	at York, Me., Merle Stewart,	26	7	14
Feb. 26,	at Rumford, Fred O. Walker,	75	7	20
Mar. 11,	at Dixfield, Edith M. Child,	60	9	27
Apr. 27,	at Dixfield, William A. Paul,	88	7	27.
May 15,	at Peru, Alfred C. Hammond,	78	8	1
May 25,	at Peru, Cylvia C. Gill,	1	8	28
June 14,	at Peru, Melissa J. Tracy,	89	3	19
June 15,	at Dixfield, Corina M. Wilton,	74	9	26
June 22,	at Rumford, Ester M. Howard	33	1	23
July 3,	at Peru, Thomas G. Twist,	63	5	8
July 5,	at Peru, Albert S. Holman,	85	3	10
July 19,	at Rumford, Maud J. Derry,	67	19	18
July 23,	at Rumford, Ori E. Haines,	62	3	22
July 25,	at Buckfield, Burchard Malone,	59	0	16
Aug. 3,	at Mexico, Ruby Errington,	38	10	2
Aug. 6,	at Auubrn, Albert B. Griffith,	81	9	11
Aug. 7,	at Cumberland, Donald J Poland,	25		
Aug. 15,	at Rumford, Maria T. Phelps,	68	11	9
Aug. 31,	at Peru, Grant J. Hodge,		2	3
Sept. 29,	at Peru, Sylvester Searles,	72	3	28
Oct. 11,	at Peru, Eunice P. Howard,	83	1	5
Oct. 17,	at Peru, William G. Cooper,	77	3	2
Oct. 26,	at Rumford, Louise L. Douglass,	68	5	19
Nov. 23,	at Peru, Petronelle Albert,	61		
Dec. 20,	at Peru, Geneva D. Dearborn,	68	0	25
1939.				
Jan. 5,	at Peru, Valerie L. Demeritt,	70	9	12
Jan. 12,	at Portland, James Young,	78	4	25
Jan. 19,	at Peru, Carrie N. Delano,	61	10	1

SUPPLEMENTARY RECORDS

- 1864, Dec. 6, at Peru, to John V. and Adaline E. Young, a daughter, Lizzie May.
- 1886, June 9, at Peru. to Mandeville and Marcie E. Hall, a daughter, Alice Parsons.
- 1887, Dec. 4. at Peru, to Fred O. and Sarah Walker, a daughter, Leila Caroline.

1888, June 18, at Peru, to Mandeville and Marcia E. Hall,
a daughter, Mildred.

Number of dogs licensed during the year ending February 1st, 1939.

68 Males,	\$68.00	
13 Females,	65.00	
23 S. Females	23.00	
1 Kennel,	10.00	
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111 Dogs licensed,		\$166.00
Paid Treasurer,		166.00
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Attest:

HOWARD TURNER, *Town Clerk*

PERU SCHOOL REPORT

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of the Town of Peru:

I hereby submit my fourteenth annual report of your schools.

TEACHERS

<i>School</i>	<i>Teachers</i>	<i>Expe- rience</i>	<i>Salary per week</i>
West Peru			
Sub-Pri., Grade 1,	Agnes H. York	34 terms	\$18.00
Grades 2 and 3,	Cecilia Shurtleff	14 terms	\$17.00
Grades 4 and 5,	Evelyn Babb	16 terms	\$17.00
Grades 6, 7 and 8,	Howard Hilton	58 terms	\$18.00
Peru Center,	Dorothy Fitz	16 terms	\$17.00
East Peru,	Marion Hilton	68 terms	\$18.00

The teachers are the same as for last year with the exception of Dorothy Fitz who taught the Peru Center School during the winter term. This school was suspended for the spring and fall terms, and the pupils were conveyed to the West Peru School.

ENROLLMENT

The enrollment by grades and schools for the Fall Term, 1938, is as follows:

	<i>Grades</i>									
	<i>S.P.</i>	<i>I</i>	<i>II</i>	<i>III</i>	<i>IV</i>	<i>V</i>	<i>VI</i>	<i>VII</i>	<i>VIII</i>	<i>T't'l</i>
West Peru	19	20	15	15	18	21	13	10	14	145
East Peru	7	3	3	2	4	4	5	7	1	36
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	26	23	18	17	22	25	18	17	15	181

ATTENDANCE

Following is the whole number in attendance and the average attendance for each term of the year ending December 31, 1938:

	<i>Winter term</i>		<i>Spring term</i>		<i>Fall term</i>	
	<i>No.</i>	<i>Av.</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Av.</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Av.</i>
West Peru	<i>Pupils</i>	<i>Att.</i>	<i>Pupils</i>	<i>Att.</i>	<i>Pupils</i>	<i>Att.</i>
Sub. Pri., Grade 1,	38	32.7	41	37.31	39	35.99
Grades 2 and 3,	26	24.8	30	28.5	30	28.5
Grade 4 and 5,	31	29.3	36	34.55	39	35.43
Grades, 6, 7 and 8,	29	25.7	39	36.06	37	35.8
Peru Center,	27	22.8				
East Peru,	24	22.52	27	24.07	36	34.47
	175	157.82	173	160.49	181	170.19

Nine pupils were not absent for the school year ending June 10th, 1938. They are: Omer Garneau Jr., Ruth Austin, Karl Packard, Ronald Emery, Edison Henry, Marilyn Hall, Randall Knight, Ellery Porter, Rachael Hall of the West Peru School.

For the Fall term of fourteen weeks ending December 16th, 1938, the following pupils were not absent: Leon Dragoon, Earlen Hall, Conrad Knox, Albion Powell, Richard Vaughn, Marie Brann, Avis Child, Conrad Hall, Annie Hodge, Walter Hodge, Jr., Barbara Vaughn, Gloria Brown, Charles Child, Nathalie Dermody, Marion Hodge, Donald Vaughn, Forrest Vaughn, Ruth Austin, Gloria Child, Hartley Farnum, Barbara Gammon, Mary Gammon, Mary Irish, Bernice Knox, Geraldine Linnell, Ida Morrill, Lawrence Child, Edythe Dragoon, Karl Packard, Frieda Saunders, Joyce Dolloff, Manley Irish, Violet Oldham, Rachael Austin, William Donahue, Alex Godish, Gloria Hall, Phyllis Hussey, Roger Lane, Adele Ploplis, Ernest Child, Louis Donahue, Marilyn Hall, Edison Henry, Janet Norton, Mildred Powell, Clarion Child, Everett Child, Edith Emery, Bernice Frost, Randall Knight, Agnes Oldham and Fred Russell, Jr., of the West Peru School; Dorothy Knox, Leonard Cote, Eugene Varmean, Geneva Knox, Theodore Knox, Robert Gill, Leona Emery, Lois Gammon, Ernest Gill, Marjorie Bigelow and Annie Grudginsky of the East Peru School. Total number not absent for the term is 64.

The pupils having perfect attendance records for the past four terms are: Ruth Austin, Karl Packard, Edison Henry, Marilyn Hall and Randall Knight; they did not miss a day for 50 weeks. Special honors for perfect attendance are given to Rachael Hall of West Peru who was not absent from a session for 216 consecutive school weeks. She was promoted to high school at the close of the spring term. Marilyn Hall ranks second with a perfect attendance for 86 weeks.

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION

For the school year which opened in September, 1938, the enrollment of high school pupils was as follows:

<i>Pupils</i>	<i>Home</i>	<i>High School</i>	<i>Class</i>
Zane Brown . .	West Peru	Dixfield	Freshman
John Garneau	" "	"	"
Rose Jakubaitis	Peru Center	"	"
Carroll Powell	West Peru	"	"
Phyllis Putnam	" "	"	"
Evelyn Walker	Peru Center	"	"
Vivian Putnam	Dickvale	"	Sophomore
Raymond Cote	East Peru	"	Junior
Sylvestus Gerrish	West Peru	"	Senior
Dorothy Shaw	Dickvale	"	"
Ethel Shaw	"	"	"
Richard Walker	Peru Center	"	"
Verlie Austin	West Peru	Stephens . .	Freshman
Methyl Bishop	" "	"	"
Rachael Hall	" "	"	"
Christine Luce	East Peru	"	"
Pauline Luce	" "	"	"
Frances McFee	Peru Center	"	"
Baxter Walker	" "	"	"
William Austin	West Peru	Stephens	Sophomore
Lucille Dermody	" "	"	"
Lucille Godish	Peru Center	"	"
Carolyn Knight	West Peru	"	"
Virginia McFee	Peru Center	"	"
Bernard Donahue	West Peru	"	Junior
Bertha Emery	Peru Center	"	"
Berton Emery	" "	"	"
Phyllis Jackson	West Peru	"	"
Phyllis Haynes	" "	"	"
Uric Wiken	" "	"	"
Claudia Brown	" "	"	Senior
Erwin Child	" "	"	"
Frances Garneau	" "	"	"
Richard Lane	" "	"	"
Barbara Packard	" "	"	"
Guy Johnson	Worthley Pond Mexico		Freshman
Roy Norton	Peru Center	"	Sophomore

Violet Kasregis	West Peru	Gould Acad.	Freshman
Julia Kasregis	" "	" "	Senior
Mildred Kasregis	" "	" "	Senior
Barbara Kidder	Peru Center	Leavitt Inst.	Freshmen
Carolyn Robinson	" "	" "	"
Florence Robinson	" "	" "	"
John Goggin	West Peru	" "	Sophomore

The above list contains forty-four names. Approximately eleven will be removed from the list by high school graduation, and fifteen will probably be added as Freshmen next fall, making the total number forty-eight.

REPAIRS AND EQUIPMENT

For this purpose the sum of \$175.00 was raised. The balance of \$32.66 from last year, and \$2.00 received from the sale of lumber, added to the appropriation made \$209.66 available.

The sum of \$12.15 was used at East Peru for cleaning out the toilets, repairing stove funnel, putting an extension on the chimney, and buying water containers for the school room heater. Toilet repairs at Peru Center cost \$10.25.

At West Peru the expenditures are as follows: labor and material for iron rail to protect the lawn, \$15.35; storm windows and expense of hanging the same, \$80.60; labor and material for strengthening tables and benches in lunch room, \$16.40; equipment for sifting coal ashes, and metal ash barrel, \$7.00; two desks for pupils, pencil sharpeners and floor oil, \$18.45; minor repairs and equipment, \$6.27. Total amount expended \$166.47. Unexpended balance, \$43.19.

PERU CENTER SCHOOL

After the close of the winter term the school officials consulted the parents at Peru Center relative to suspending the school and transporting the pupils to West Peru. All the families represented in the school with the exception of two were in favor of sending the scholars to West Peru. Consequently the school board voted to suspend the school and furnish conveyance. As the law does not permit the school board to suspend a school for more than one year, it will be necessary to present the matter for consideration at the annual town meeting, and an article has been inserted in the warrant for that purpose.

The school board and superintendent recommend that the town vote to close the Peru Center School and convey the pupils to the West Peru School, because the expense of schooling these pupils will be \$200.00 less, and they will have far better advantages.

FINANCES

At the last annual meeting the accounts for Common Schools, High School Tuition, and Books and Supplies showed large overdrafts. Instead of making appropriations large enough to cover the amounts overdrawn it was decided to raise money enough to pay current expenses for the year and one half of the overdrafts.

We have been able to do that and a little more as you may see by consulting the financial statement. A year ago the total overdraft of the school department was \$1,489.67, and the one in this report is \$661.95, showing that the amount overdrawn has been reduced \$827.72.

BUDGET FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

The following budget is submitted for consideration at the annual town meeting:

Common Schools,	\$5,000.00
High School Tuition,	2,500.00
Books and Supplies,	400.00
Repairs and Equipment,	200.00
Insurance on West Peru Building,	190.00
Superintendence,	291.60
Interest on School Fund,	34.38
Office Expense,	20.00
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	\$8,635.98

The total budget is \$372.29 less than was raised last year.

In closing I wish to thank all who have contributed in any way to make the schools a success.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK MCGOULDRICK,
Superintendent of Schools.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

COMMON SCHOOLS

Receipts

Appropriation,	\$5,200.00	
Interest on School Fund,	34.38	
State School Fund,	1,451.73	\$6,686.11

Expenditures

Overdraft, 1937-38,	\$ 887.13	
Teachers' Salaries,	3,270.00	
Transportation,	1,993.50	
Fuel,	386.72	
Janitors,	315.00	
Cleaning,	26.40	
Tuition—Town of Sumner,	220.00	\$7,098.75
Overdrawn,		\$ 412.64

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION

Receipts

Appropriation,	\$2,800.00	
State School Fund,	602.09	\$3,402.09

Expenditures

Overdraft, 1937-38,	\$ 292.50	
Paid Leavitt Institute,	180.00	
Paid Gould Academy,	239.00	
Paid Town of Canton,	75.75	
Paid Town of Mexico,	132.34	
Paid Town of Dixfield,	760.00	
Paid Town of Rumford,	1,845.00	\$3,524.59
Overdrawn,		\$ 122.50

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Receipts

Appropriation,	\$ 400.00	
State School Fund,	349.11	\$ 749.11

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Expenditures

Overdraft, 1937-38,	\$ 362.26	
Expended,	556.85	\$ 919.11
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Overdrawn,		\$ 170.00

REPAIRS AND EQUIPMENT

Receipts

Balance, 1937-38,	\$ 32.66	
Sale of Lumber,	2.00	
Appropriation,	175.00	\$ 209.66
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Expended,		\$ 166.47
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Unexpended,		\$ 43.19

INSURANCE ON WEST PERU SCHOOL BUILDING

Appropriation	\$ 92.29
Expended,	\$ 92.29

SUPERINTENDENCE

Appropriation,	\$ 291.60
Expended,	\$ 291.60

OFFICE EXPENSE

Receipts

Balance, 1937-38,	\$ 2.25	
Appropriation,	15.00	\$ 17.25
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Expended,		\$ 17.25

WEST PERU SCHOOL

Balance, 1937-38,	\$ 17.31
Expended,	\$ 17.31

STATE OF MAINE

Total Amount Received from the State,		\$2,402.93
Transferred to		
Common School Account,	\$1,451.73	
High School Tuition,	602.09	
Books and Supplies,	349.11	\$2,402.93
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RECAPITULATION				
<i>Account</i>	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Expendi- tures</i>	<i>Unex- pended</i>	<i>Over- drawn</i>
Common Schools, \$	6,686.11	\$ 7,098.75		\$412.64
High School				
Tuition,	3,402.09	3,524.59		122.50
Books and				
Supplies,	749.11	919.11		170.00
Repairs and				
Equipment,	209.66	166.47	\$ 43.19	
Insurance,				
West Peru,	92.29	92.29		
Superintendence,	291.60	291.60		
Office Expense,	17.25	17.25		
West Peru School,	17.31	17.31		
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	\$11,465.42	\$12,127.37	\$ 43.19	\$705.14
Total Amount				
overdrawn, \$	661.95		\$661.95	
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	\$12,127.37	\$12,127.37	\$705.14	\$705.14

REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

One hundred sixty-four children in the West Peru and East Peru schools were inspected on January 10, and 11, by the State nurse. Weighing and vision testing had been done by the teachers. Vision on any doubtful cases was rechecked by the nurse. In general the children are in good condition. Teeth were the most frequent defects and much poor posture was found. During the inspection the children were instructed in habits of good posture, diet, oral hygiene, etc., as was indicated by the individual child's condition. From the nurse's supply the teachers selected literature on diet, cleanliness, oral hygiene, and general health habits which they felt would be useful in their class work. Ten parents were present for the inspection of their children. Other parents were notified of defects found in their children.

The physical set-up and sanitation of West Peru School is excellent. In the East Peru school, I suggested provision for water on or near the stove to provide moisture in the air and that paper towels be provided for the children. The seats in this school do not fit the size of the children well.

Such defects as need attention promptly will be fol-

lowed by the nurse calling at the home and assisting in any way possible to obtain the necessary treatment.

JANE M. THOMPSON,
Public Health Nurse.

Augusta, Maine, Feb. 1, 1939

Town of Peru,

To State Bureau of Health, Dr.

Statement of Work done in Schools by Public Health Nurse:

164 Children inspected in schools.

102 Defects found. Vision 16. Teeth 64.

Throat 12. Posture 10.

Corrections reported (list not complete).

Visits made in follow-up work by nurse in homes.

14½ Total number hours devoted to school work.

47½ Hours of school work to be completed before June 30th.

Amount of appropriation made by town for this work \$62.00.

This amount pays for 62 hours' work.

Signed: EDITH L. SOULE,

*Director, Division of
Public Health Nursing,
State Bureau of Health.*

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

STATE OF MAINE

COUNTY OF OXFORD ss.

To Esbjorn Wiken, a Constable of the Town of Peru in the County of Oxford; Greeting:

You are hereby required, in the name of the State of Maine, to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Peru, qualified to vote in Town Affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall, in said Town, on Monday the sixth day of March, A.D., 1939, 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 Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will vote to accept the report of its several Town Officers.

Art. 4. To see if the Town will instruct its Selectmen to appoint one, or more, Road Commissioners.

Art. 5. To see if the Town will vote to elect one, or more, Road Commissioners.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will vote to elect a Board of Overseers of the Poor independent of the Selectmen.

Art. 7. To choose all other necessary Town Officers.

Art. 8. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance and support of Schools, the Poor, maintenance and repair of Roads and Bridges, maintenance of State, State Aid and Third Class Roads and to defray all other necessary Town Charges.

Art. 9. To see what sum the Town will 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, Chap. 28, Revised Statutes of 1930, or under the provisions of Section 3, Chap. 229, Public Laws of 1937.

Art. 10. To see if the Town will raise \$62.00, or what other sum for school nursing to be expended under the auspices of the Bureau of Health of the State Department of Health and Welfare.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,000.00, more or less, for payment on its long time loans.

Art. 12. To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for advertising our natural resources, advantages and attractions, under the provisions of Chap. 5, Sec. 82 of the Revised Statutes, to be expended under the direction of the State of Maine Publicity Bureau.

Art. 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$40.00 for School Dental Hygiene to be expended under the auspices of the Bureau of Health of the State Dept. of Health and Welfare.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00, or some other sum toward the maintenance of the P. F. P. A.

Art. 15. To fix the compensation of the Collector of Taxes.

Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to abate the E. P. Burgess tax lien.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will vote to abate the tax titles on the property of Nathan Flagg.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to close or continue the Peru Center School.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to draw town orders or warrants for payment of bills and payrolls on the 8th and 23rd days of each month or the day preceeding if such date falls on Sunday or a holiday.

Art. 20. To see what action the Town will take in regard to abating the unpaid taxes of Ellery Kidder for the year 1934 and 1935.

Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$200.00 for Blister Rust Controls, and the State add 50% to our appropriation.

Art. 22. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen to hire such sums of money as may be necessary to pay Town Charges and Town Debts, in anticipation of the collection of taxes and to issue and negotiate the notes of the Town for the money so borrowed to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate the total tax levy for the preceeding municipal year as temporary loans to be paid during the year 1939 out of money raised during said year 1939 by taxes.

Art. 23. 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 Hall, Peru, at 9 o'clock on the morning of the 6th day of March, A.D. 1939, for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands at Peru, this 24th day of February, A.D. 1939.

E. B. KNOX,
A. B. MCINTIRE,
W. B. KIDDER,
Selectmen of Peru.