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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MUNICIPAL OFFICERS

LIBRARY OF THE

UNION OF MAINE
TOWN OF CARTHAGE

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 12, 1949

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Town Officers, 1948

Clerk
PEARL HUTCHINSON

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor
STETSON HUTCHINSON R. D. SWETT
PHILIP BENNER

Road Commissioner
ARTHUR HUTCHINSON
Treasurer
MILDRED SWETT

Superintending School Committee
CHARLES MORSE ALFRED WHITE
CORA WHITE

Superintendent of Schools
GERALD D. CUSHING

Constable and Collector
LEE G. HUTCHINSON

Health Officer
A. E. BURGESS

Sealer of Weights and Measures
M. E. HAMMOND

TOWN WARRANT

FRANKLIN, SS.

STATE OF MAINE

To Lee G. Hutchinson, a Constable in the Town of Carthage in said County.

GREETINGS:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Carthage, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to assemble at the Grange Hall, Berry Mills, in said Town on the 7th day of March, A. D. 1949, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to act on the following articles, to wit:

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To see if the Town will vote to accept the Town Reports of the Municipal Officers for the year ending February 12, 1949.

Art. 4. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise for support of Common Schools, including Tuition, School Office Expenses, High School Tuition, and Interest on School Funds, including Superintendent of Schools, Insurance and School House Repairs, Text-books, Supplies and High School Conveyance.

Art. 6. To see what the Town will do with the money received for the use of Town truck and plow.

Art. 7. To see if the Town will appropriate and raise \$1,000. and Interest of \$200.00 to pay on the Town Truck and Snow Plow for the year 1949.

Art. 8. To see what sum the Town will appropriate and raise for the repair of Summer Roads and Bridges.

Art. 9. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise for Patrol Fund.

Art. 10. To see what sum of money the Town will appropriate and raise for the State Aid Road Construction, in addition to the amounts regularly raised for the care of ways, highways, and under the provisions of Section 19, c. 28, R. S. 1930, or under provisions of Section 3, CL. 229, P. L. 1937.

Art. 11. To see what sum, if any, the Town would recommend to take from the Joint State Aid Account for the purpose of applying Bituminous surface treatment to State Aid Roads, in excess of the requirements of Section 2, C. 132, P. L. 1935.

Art. 12. To see what sum the Town will appropriate and raise for Tools.

Art. 13. To see what sum the Town will appropriate and raise for the purpose of Plowing and Sanding Winter Roads on Routes 2, 142, State Aid No. 3 and 4.

Art. 14. To see what sum the Town will appropriate and raise for Winter Roads.

Art. 15. To see what sum the Town will appropriate and raise for care of Poor.

Art. 16. To see what sum the Town will appropriate and raise for County Nurse service.

Art. 17. To see if the Town will appropriate and raise the sum of \$15.00, being dues for Maine Municipal Association.

Art. 18. To see what sum the Town will appropriate and raise for Discount on Taxes.

Art. 19. To see what sum the Town will appropriate and raise for Overdrawn Accounts.

Art. 20. To see what sum the Town will appropriate and raise for Abatements.

Art. 21. To see what sum the Town will appropriate and raise for Current Expenses.

Art. 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to hire 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 note or notes of the Town so borrowed to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate the total tax levy for the preceding municipal year, as temporary loans.

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to instruct the S. S. Committee to arrange the place and number of schools for the ensuing year to the best interests of the town.

Art. 24. To see what sum, if any, the Town will vote to raise for advertising our Natural Resources, Advantages and Attractions, under the provisions of Chapter 5, S. 82, R. S. 1930, said sum to be expended under direction of the State of Maine Publicity Bureau.

Art. 25. To see what sum the Town will appropriate and raise for the care of Cemeteries.

Art. 26. To see what sum the Town will appropriate and raise for necessary Bonds for Town Officers.

Art. 27. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they deem advisable, and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property.

Art. 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise the sum of \$100.00 to cooperate with the Maine Forest Service and the Federal Government in the control of White Pine Blister Rust, in accordance with the R. S. C. H. Sec. 62, 63, 64.

Art. 29. To see what rate per cent. and final date to be allowed on Discount of Taxes on the 1949 commitment, poll taxes excepted.

Art. 30. To see what sum, if any, the Town will appropriate and raise for the purpose of hiring a doctor to inspect the Carthage School children.

Art. 31. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer to sell and assign unmatured tax mortgage liens for the amount unpaid and interest and cost.

Art. 32. To see what sum, if any, the Town will appropriate and raise for an Honor Roll.

Art. 33. To see if the Town will fix a date when the Taxes shall be due and payable.

Art. 34. To see if the Town will vote to pay and refund its indebtedness to the Rumford Falls Trust Co. by authorizing the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue and negotiate the note or notes of the Town to the amount of said notes to be determined by the Selectmen.

Art. 35. To see if the Town will vote to charge interest beginning December the first, next, on all Taxes remaining unpaid.

Art. 36. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate and raise for the purchase and housing of the Fire Fighting Equipment and appoint a committee to expend the same.

Art. 37. To see what the Town will vote to do with the money received for the sale of Snow Plows and School Bus.

Art. 38. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to pay the note of \$1,000.00 borrowed in 1947 in anticipation of taxes.

Art. 39. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and raise the sum of \$650.00 to pay note and interest on New School Bus.

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Grange Hall, Berry Mills, in said Town, at 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon, on the said day of said meeting, for revising and correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands at Carthage, this 12th day of February, A. D. 1949.

STETSON HUTCHINSON,
R. D. SWETT,
PHILIP BENNER,

Selectmen of Carthage.

Report of Selectmen and Assessors

To the Citizens of the Town of Carthage:

Valuation of Property and number of Polls in town taxed April, 1948.

VALUATION OF REAL ESTATE

Resident	\$48,730 00
Non-Resident	99,515 00
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Total	\$148,245 00

PERSONAL ESTATE

Resident	\$15,077 00
Non-Resident	2,410 00
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Total	\$17,487 00

Grand Total Valuation	\$165,732 00
Total value of land	\$120,530 00
Total value of buildings	27,715 00
No. of polls taxed	77
No. of polls not taxed	13
Rate of poll tax	\$3.00
Rate of taxation	86
Rate of collection	.02

TAXABLE LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

	No.	Value
Horses and mules	35	\$2,350 00
Cows	89	3,552 00
Oxen	4	290 00
Heifers, over 2 yrs. old	15	560 00
Heifers, less than 2 yrs. old	21	640 00
Poultry	554	254 00
Goats	5	55 00
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Total		\$7,701 00

EXEMPT LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY

	No.	Value
Yearlings	40	\$635 00
Sheep	6	60 00
Swine	12	300 00
Poultry	441	312 00
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Total		\$1,307 00

ALL OTHER KINDS OF PERSONAL PROPERTY

Stock in trade	2	\$1,150 00
Lumber	69½M	2,240 00
Gasoline pumps	3	450 00
Radios	70	1,065 00
Tractors	4	175 00
Machinery and Equipment		3,900 00
Unmanufactured Materials		210 00
Logs, M board feet	8M	186 00
Wood and Bark, cords	20	100 00
Boats	1	80 00
Other Property Tax, pole lines as RE		230 00
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Total		\$9,786 00

INDUSTRIAL AND UTILITY PROPERTY

	No.	Value
Saw Mills	1	\$ 750 00
Woodworking Mills	1	4,000 00
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Total		\$4,750 00

MONEY RAISED AND ASSESSED

School Budget	\$3,799 55
Town Truck payment and Interest of \$250.00	1,000 00
Repair of Summer Roads and Bridges	600 00
Paint and Plank Iron Bridges	125 00
Patrol Fund	450 00
Winter Roads	400 00
Sand Spreader	75 00
Care of Poor	600 00

County Nurse	\$ 125 00	
Maine Municipal Association dues	15 00	
Discount on Taxes	200 00	
Overdrawn Accounts	1,788 59	
Current Expenses	1,300 00	
New School Conveyance \$1,750.00		
To be raised by Taxation	600 00	
The balance to be hired		
State Aid Road Construction	300 00	
Abatements	100 00	
Fire Fighting Equipment	1,000 00	
Care of Cemeteries	100 00	
Bonds of Town Officers	45 00	
Doctors to inspect Carthage School children	50 00	
Plowing and Sanding Winter Roads	300 00	
Honor Roll	100 00	
State Tax	1,059 03	
County Tax	379 60	
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Total		\$14,511 77

STATE AID ROAD CONSTRUCTION

Appropriation	\$300 00
Unexpended Balance	300 00

PATROL FUND

Appropriated	\$450 00	
Overdraft Appropriation	14 88	
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Total Available		\$464 88
Expended	\$448 70	
Overdraft	22 40	
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		\$471 10
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Overdraft		\$6 22

MAINTENANCE UNIMPROVED ROADS

Received from State		\$741 00
Expended		759 10
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Overdraft		\$18 10

STATE AID TOOLS

Unexpended Balance		\$3 51
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PLOWING AND SANDING ROUTES 142-2-3

Received from State	\$442 30	
Appropriation	300 00	
Unexpended Balance	244 64	
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Available		\$986 94
Expended		787 71
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Unexpended		\$199 23

WINTER ROADS

Appropriated	\$400 00	
Overdraft	189 41	
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Available		\$589 41
Expended	\$253 58	
Overdraft	285 09	
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		\$538 67
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Unexpended		\$50 74

SUMMER ROADS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation	\$600 00	
Overdraft appropriation	64 02	
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Available		\$664 02
Expended	\$515 94	
Overdraft	96 33	
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		\$612 27
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Unexpended		\$51 75

SNOW REMOVAL EQUIPMENT

Unexpended Balance	\$ 5 82	
Appropriated	1,250 00	
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Available		\$1,255 82
Expended		1,240 00
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Unexpended Balance		\$15 82
Received for use of Plow	\$619 23	
Miscellaneous Repair and Running Expenses	583 46	
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Unexpended		\$35 77
This amount has been transferred to the Surplus Account.		

PAINT AND PLANK IRON BRIDGES

Unexpended	\$ 21 22	
Appropriated	125 00	
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		\$146 22
Expended		55 00
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Unexpended		\$91 22

SAND SPREADER

Unexpended	\$150 00	
Appropriation	75 00	
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Available		\$225 00
Expended		186 40
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Unexpended		\$38 60

DENTAL CARE OF SCHOOL CHILDREN

Unexpended	\$ 35 00	
Received	111 50	
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Available		\$146 50
Expended		150 00
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Overdraft		\$3 50

COUNTY NURSE

Appropriation		\$125 00
Expended		125 00

MEDICAL CARE OF SCHOOL CHILDREN

Unexpended Balance	\$20 00	
Appropriation	50 00	
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Available		\$70 00
Unexpended		70 00

TOWN POOR

Appropriated	\$600 00	
Overdraft Appropriation	173 30	
Reimbursement	192 25	
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Available		\$965 55
Expended	\$394 70	
Overdraft	260 87	
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		\$655 57
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Unexpended Balance		\$309 98

POOR OF OTHER TOWNS

Received Town of Peru	\$116 28	
Received Town of Otisfield	337 00	
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Available		\$453 28
Expended Acct. Town of Peru	\$116 28	
Expended Acct. Town of Otisfield	368 00	
Expended Acct. Town of Bethel	26 26	
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Total Expended		\$510 54
Due from Bethel	\$26 26	
Due from Otisfield	31 00	
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		\$57 26

ABATEMENTS

Appropriation	\$100 00	
Overdraft Appropriation	58 34	
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Available		\$158 34
Expended	\$99 59	
Overdraft	87 81	
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		\$187 40
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Overdraft		\$29 06

INTEREST ON TAXES

Total collected		\$23 86
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DISCOUNT ON TAXES

Appropriation	\$200 00	
Overdraft Appropriation	25 68	
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Available		\$225 68
Expended	\$275 51	
Overdraft	38 65	
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		\$314 16
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Overdraft		\$88 48

HONOR ROLL

Unexpended Balance	\$200 00	
Appropriated	100 00	
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Unexpended Balance		\$300 00

CARE OF CEMETERIES

Unexpended	\$115 91	
Appropriated	100 00	
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Available		\$215 91
Expended		8 50
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Unexpended		\$207 41

CEMETERY FUND

W.E. PUTNUM	\$200 00	
Interest Available		\$57 19
Expended		1 50
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Unexpended		\$56 69
F. W. BROWN	\$100 00	
Interest Available		\$23 41
Expended		1 00
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Unexpended		\$22 41
F. P. STAPLES	\$50 00	
Interest Available		\$1 99
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Total Cemetery Funds	\$350 00	

BONDS — TOWN OFFICERS

Appropriated		\$45 00
Expended		45 00

MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION

Appropriated		\$15 00
Expended		15 00

CURRENT EXPENSES

Appropriated	\$1,300 00	
Overdraft Appropriated	1,254 58	
Department Receipts	876 65	
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Available		\$3,431 23
Expended	\$1,691 11	
Overdraft	1,888 49	
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		\$3,579 60
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Overdraft		\$148 37

FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT

Appropriations	\$1,000 00
Expended	906 78
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Unexpended Balance	\$93 22

SCHOOL BUS

Appropriated	\$ 600 00
Received, School Dept.	132 00
Notes, Rumford Falls Trust Co.	1,150 00
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Available	\$1,882 00
Expended	732 00
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Unappropriated Balance	\$1,150 00

Detail of Expenditures

Stetson Hutchinson, Selectman, first	\$180 00
R. D. Swett, Selectman, second	175 00
Philip Benner, Selectman, third	152 50
Lee G. Hutchinson, Moderator	3 00
Pearl Hutchinson, Town Clerk	23 32
Mildred Swett, Treasurer	60 00
The Knowlton & McLeary Co., reports	108 20
R. D. Swett, use of auto	18 00
Cora White, S. S. Committee	7 50
C. N. Morse, S. S. Committee	7 50
Alfred White, S. S. Committee	7 50
A. E. Burgess, Health Officer	36 00
L. G. Hutchinson, collecting Taxes	276 62
Jeannette Swett, Ballot Clerk	15 00
Lila Voter, Ballot Clerk	10 00
Rose Benner, Ballot Clerk	5 00
New England Telephone Co.	37 65
Howard E. Kyes, Insurance	4 08
Russell C. Irish, Auditor	120 00
Frank E. Knowlton, transfer and service	4 80
Rumford Falls Trust Co., interest	46 39
Lee G. Hutchinson, deeds, warrants and Excise tax	71 65
Books and Supplies	33 90

Hubert Ryan, Legal services, 1947	\$ 7 50	
Hubert Ryan, Legal services, 1948	5 00	
Lights, Town office and garage	45 50	
Douglas Swett, State Assessors meeting	4 00	
Philip Benner, State Assessors meeting	4 00	
Franklin Journal Co., road notices	19 50	
Douglas Swett, road notices	5 00	
Packard Pharmacy, anti-toxin	41 60	
Lee Hutchinson, posting notices	8 00	
Rumford Community Hospital, anti-toxin shots	11 40	
Dr. Dexter Elmore, medical care, anti-toxin shots	15 70	
Dr. Garfield G. Defoe, medical care, anti-toxin shots	14 50	
Town of Mexico, town line marker	6 66	
Postage	11 42	
Merland Sabine, 1947 forest fire	8 22	
Burton Hawkes, bear bounty	15 00	
Dixfield Fire Co., forest fire	64 50	
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Total Expended		\$1,691 11

DELINQUENT TAXES

FEBRUARY 12, 1948

1948 TAXES

As shown by the Collector's Report:

Lloyd Millett	\$116 10	
Leslie Stinchfield	34 39	
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		\$150 49

1944 TAXES

Bert Sanborn		\$28 05
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1942 TAXES

Otis Locklin	\$ 87	
Gilbert Smith	3 00	
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		\$3 87

1941 TAXES

Benjamin Black	\$3 68
Fred Davis	3 00
Laforest Hutchinson	3 00
Leslie Hutchinson	3 00
Otis Scannon	1 32

 \$14 00

1940 TAXES

Wyman Kimball	\$3 34
Norman Levasseur	3 00
John Hunt	3 00
C. S. Walker	8 84

 \$18 18

1938 TAXES

Alward Daley	\$ 5 50
L. C. Fairbanks	20 90
Ed. Jackson	3 00
Clarence Wade	3 00

 \$32 40

1937 TAXES

V. A. Rackliff	\$3 00
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1936 TAXES

George Greenleaf	\$3 00
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1935 TAXES

Phillip Bernard	\$10 40
Cony Crockett	3 00
Alward Daley	5 10

 \$18 50

1934 TAXES

Henry Rancourt	\$18 25
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 Total Delinquent Taxes

 \$289 74

TAX LIENS AND DEEDS SUMMARY

Year	Balance	Collected	Balance
	Feb. 7, 1948		Feb. 12, 1949
1948	\$763 24	\$146 20	\$617 04
1947	647 52	119 40	528 12
1946	321 15	124 65	196 50
1945	140 36	* 36 00	104 36
1943	38 40		38 40
1941	18 28		18 28
1939	7 25		7 25
1938	6 60		6 60
1937	7 28		7 28
1936	7 42		7 42
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	\$1,957 50	\$461 25	\$1,531 25

* Incorrectly shown in 1947.

DETAIL OF UNPAID TAX LIENS

1948

Leslie Stinchfield	\$ 25 80
C. S. Walker	55 90
Sabon Peabody and Harry Young	17 20
Erwin Jackson	32 24
Daisy Hinckley	51 60
Leo Houghton	97 62
Ivus Hutchinson	27 96
Asa Flagg	68 80
A. H. Barnett Jr.	86 00
Cuvier White	113 09
Millard Webster	40 83

\$617 04

1947

Heirs of Hannah Barnett	\$ 2 96
C. H. Ranger Inc.	364 80
Ivus Hutchinson	24 70
C. S. Walker	74 86
Heirs of A. D. McIntire	60 80

\$528 12

1946	C. H. Ranger Inc.	\$196 50
1945	C. H. Ranger Inc.	\$68 88
	L. L. Hutchinson	35 48
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		\$104 36
1943	David Enman	\$38 40
1941	Lottie Webster	\$18 28
1939	Cora Barnett	\$7 25
1938	Cora Barnett	\$6 60
1937	John Casey	\$7 28
1936	John Casey	\$7 42
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	Total	\$1,531 25

SUMMARY OF OVERDRAFTS AND UNEXPENDED
BALANCES

Overdrafts

Current Expenses	\$148 37
Dental Care of School Children	3 50
Patrol Fund	6 22
Maintenance Unimproved Roads	18 10
Discount on Taxes	88 48
Abatements	29 06
Insurance — School	7 36
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	\$301 09

Unexpended Balances

Fire Fighting Equipment	\$ 93 22
Medical Care of School Children	70 00
Summer Roads and Bridges	51 75
Plowing and Sanding	199 23
State Aid Road Construction	300 00
State Aid Tools	3 51
Truck Payment and Interest	15 82
Paint and Plank Iron Bridges	91 22
Sand Spreader	38 60
Winter Roads	50 74
Town Poor	309 98
Common Schools	517 69
Repair and Equipment	56 88
Office Expense	1 47
Care of Cemeteries	207 41
Honor Roll	300 00
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	\$2,307 52

Respectfully submitted,

STETSON HUTCHINSON,
R. D. SWETT,

Selectmen of Carthage.

Treasurer's Report

Cash on hand, Feb. 7, 1949

\$2,475 66

RECEIPTS FOR YEAR

Excise Taxes	\$ 478 04
1947 Taxes	355 98
1948 Taxes	13,830 94
C. H. Ranger Co., Tax Lien and Deeds	146 20
H. Barnett, Heirs	70 00
Cost, Interest, etc., on Tax Liens	4 25
Interest on Taxes	23 86
Discount on Taxes	275 51
Abatements	99 59
1948 Tax Liens	763 24
State of Maine, Snow Removal	442 30
State of Maine, Road Improvement	741 00
State of Maine, Fire Refund, 1947-48	854 75
State of Maine, Health and Welfare	1 50
State of Maine, Dog License Refund	19 90
State of Maine, State Aid	3,116 53
State of Maine, Equalization Fund	1,540 00
Rumford Falls Trust Co., Dixfield Branch, Loan	2,150 00
Reimbursement, Cemetery Fund	2 50
Sale of Snow Plow	200 00
Carroll Noyes, Sale of School Bus	51 00
Sale of A. M. Allen Property	191 25
Fireworks License	2 00
Town of Otisfield, a/c Poor	337 00
Town of Peru, a/c Poor	116 28
Town of Weld, Tuition	120 00
Town of Weld, Snow Plow	9 50

Reimbursement, Town Poor	\$192 25
Town of Carthage, School Conveyance	132 00
Town of Carthage, Snow Plow and Truck	609 73
Olive Bonsey, Dental Care, School Children	110 00
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Total Receipts for Year	\$26,987 10
(Receipt Slips No. 1 thru 61 except Nos. 9 and 24)	
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	\$29,462 76
Warrants Paid (No. 1 to No. 25 inc.)	22,254 92
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Cash on Hand Feb. 12, 1949	\$7,207 84

Respectfully submitted,

MILDRED SWETT,

Treasurer.

Report of Tax Collector

1948 TAXES

Delinquent as of February 12, 1949

Lloyd Millett	\$116 10
Leslie Stinchfield	34 39

\$150 49

Respectfully submitted,

LEE G. HUTCHINSON,

Collector.

Road Commissioner's Report

SUMMER ROADS

A. S. Hutchinson	\$16 80
T. I. Hutchinson	10 50
P. K. Hutchinson	10 50
I. P. Benner	4 50
I. P. Benner's Horses	5 10
A. W. Brown	5 25
T. I. Hutchinson	11 25
Lloyd Hutchinson	6 00
P. K. Hutchinson	9 00
Emeral Houghton	2 25
Conrad Houghton	2 25
A. S. Hutchinson	80
A. W. Brown, truck	5 95
Phillip Benner	1 88
Phillip Benner	2 18
A. S. Hutchinson	8 00
Town Truck	31 00
Town Truck	8 80
A. S. Hutchinson	8 80
T. I. Hutchinson	8 25
P. K. Hutchinson	8 25
Lawrence Tardy	8 25
P. K. Hutchinson	12 00
T. I. Hutchinson	18 70
A. S. Hutchinson	29 60
Town Truck	29 60
A. S. Hutchinson	2 40
Town Truck	1 60
Emeral Houghton	4 50
L. G. Hutchinson, spades	8 80
A. S. Hutchinson	7 20
A. S. Hutchinson, plank	55 00
T. I. Hutchinson	12 00

Lawrence Tardy	\$18 00
T. L. Hutchinson	18 00
E. M. Hutchinson	4 50
A. S. Hutchinson	20 80
A. S. Hutchinson, truck	4 80
Town Truck	16 80
L. G. Hutchinson, spikes	93
T. I. Hutchinson	9 75
John Hammond	5 25
T. I. Hutchinson	2 25
A. S. Hutchinson	10 40
Town Truck	8 00
A. S. Hutchinson, plank	27 50
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	\$515 94

ARTHUR HUTCHINSON,

Road Commissioner.

WINTER ROADS

A. W. Brown	\$ 5 25
A. S. Hutchinson	8 00
A. W. Brown	4 50
A. S. Hutchinson	4 80
Town Truck	27 20
A. W. Brown	8 25
T. I. Hutchinson	8 25
A. S. Hutchinson	7 20
L. O. Hutchinson	8 25
Town Truck	9 00
A. W. Brown	6 00
A. S. Hutchinson	6 40
Town Truck	18 00
A. S. Hutchinson	3 20
A. W. Brown	3 00
L. G. Hutchinson	10 08
A. W. Brown	8 25
A. S. Hutchinson	7 20
Carroll Brown	4 50

Town Truck	\$31 50
Conrad Houghton	2 25
Carroll Libby Jr.	2 25
T. I. Hutchinson	18 75
Lawrence Tardy	15 75
John Hammond	2 25
A. S. Hutchinson	20 00
Town Truck	8 00
T. L. Hutchinson	4 50
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	\$253 58

ARTHUR HUTCHINSON,

Road Commissioner.

PLANKING IRON BRIDGES

A. S. Hutchinson \$55 00

ARTHUR HUTCHINSON,

Road Commissioner.

Report of Audit

Mexico, Maine
February 12, 1949

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Carthage:

In accordance with the request of your Municipal Officers, I have Audited the accounts of the Town of Carthage for the year ending February 12, 1949.

In my opinion, based upon such examination, the statement herewith presented fairly represents the financial condition of your town as of February 12, 1949.

BALANCE SHEET

February 12, 1949

Assets

Treasurer's Cash Account	\$7,207 84
Delinquent Taxes	289 74
Tax Liens and Deeds	1,531 25
Cemetery Trust Funds	350 00
Snow Removal Equipment (Unappropriated Balance)	3,441 00
Accounts Receivable	57 26
School Bus (Unappropriated Balance)	1,150 00
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Total Assets	\$14,027 09

LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

Liabilities

Withholding Taxes Due Collector	\$ 44 80
Pension Fund Withheld	31 40
Ministerial School Fund Borrowed	750 00
Reserve for Cemetery Trust Fund	350 00
Notes Payable	6,150 00
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Total Liabilities	\$7,326 00

Surplus	\$4,694 46
Add Appropriation Account Balances	
Brought Forward to 1949-50	2,006 43
(Unexpended Balance)	
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Total Surplus	\$ 6,700 89
Total Liabilities and Surplus	14,027 09

SUMMARY OF TREASURER'S CASH ACCOUNTS

Cash Book Balance, Feb. 7, 1948	\$ 2,475 66
Cash Receipts for Year	26,987 10
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	\$29,462 76
Checks Issued for Year	22,254 92
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Cash Book Balance, Feb. 12, 1949	\$7,207 84

RECONCILIATION WITH BANK

Bank Book Balance, Feb. 10, 1949	\$5,918 05
Cash Receipts for Year	4,422 86
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	\$10,340 91
Less — Checks Outstanding	3,133 07
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Cash Book Balance, Feb. 12, 1949	\$7,207 84

A detailed Audit Report with comments will be available at your Selectmen's office.

Respectfully submitted,

CARLTON E. AUSTIN.

Carthage School Report

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

I hereby submit my third annual report of the Carthage Schools:

The acute shortage of qualified teachers in the elementary field has caused difficulty in many towns in maintaining schools. Last September we had no candidate for the Berry Mills Grammar whom we could recommend for the position. By action of the School Committee, Grades 5-8 have been conveyed to the Dixfield Grammar School this year and Grade 4 added to the Primary Room. This temporary solving of what may continue to be a problem, has enabled us to give school privileges to all children. With increasing enrollments, indications are that our two classrooms at Berry Mills will prove inadequate to offer the best school program under two teachers. Mrs. Swett's teaching load is considerably too high at the present time. One possible solution might be to place Grades Sub-Primary through 3 in the Primary Room; Grades 4, 5, and 6 in the Grammar Room, and continue to convey Grades 7 and 8 to Dixfield.

The Stickney Corner School has at present only 8 pupils. This means that this year the average attendance will drop below 8 and the school be automatically closed unless the town wishes to maintain it with no subsidy from the State. Stickney Corner pupils could be conveyed to the Wilton school at East Dixfield or to the Dixfield Grammar School. The expense of maintaining such a small school is great. The per pupil cost to the town next year at Stickney Corner School would be about \$218.00, compared to the cost this year in transporting Berry Mills pupils to Dixfield of about \$123.00 per pupil.

Statistics relative to teachers, enrollment, and attendance follow:

TEACHERS		
School	Teacher	Annual Salary
Berry Mills Primary	Mildred Swett	\$1,650 00
Stickney Corner	Mary Weld	1,500 00

ENROLLMENT

Enrollment by grades for the Fall Term, 1948:

School	S.P.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Berry Mills Primary	8	9	6	8	8	0	0	1	1	41
Stickney Corner	0	2	0	2	2	1	0	0	1	8
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	8	11	6	10	10	1	0	1	2	49
Conveyed to Dixfield						6	7	6	5	24

ATTENDANCE

Attendance and Average Attendance for the Entire Year, 1948:

School	Winter Term		Spring Term		Fall Term	
	No. Pupils	Av. Att.	No. Pupils	Av. Att.	No. Pupils	Av. Att.
Berry Mills Primary	30	24.15	29	19.65	41	37.79
Berry Mills Grammar	27	25.45	28	24.39
Stickney Corner	17	16.39	17	15.70	8	7.89
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	74	65.99	74	59.74	49	45.68

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION

The following students are attending High School:

At Dixfield High School:

Seniors, Leslie Hinkley, Kathryn Tyler;
 Junior, Gary Hutchinson;
 Sophomores, Daveen Hutchinson, Harry Smith;
 Freshmen, Quentin Smith, Beryl Webster.

At Weld High School: Junior, Iva Hinkley.

Two of the above will graduate in June, and we anticipate that at least five will enter as Freshmen next year. Thus next September we shall have to provide tuition payments for at least eleven. Tuition at Dixfield High School and at Weld High School is now \$125.00 per year. Our students in High School continue to merit our commendation for their deportment and scholastic work.

REPAIRS

The amount spent for repairs this past year was largely for fixing desks at Berry Mills and for reinforcing a wall at Stickney Corner school. Some minor repair work was also done.

FINANCES

Because the State Fund received last December was considerably more than last year we were able to meet the added cost of conveying the 24 pupils in Grades 5-8 from Berry Mills to Dixfield. Carthage also received \$1,540.00 equalization money, and these added receipts enabled us to close the fiscal year with some unexpended balance. Total expenditures were \$8,123.34 and total receipts were \$8,692.02. The Insurance Account is overdrawn by \$7.36, but unexpended balances totalling \$576.04 exist in the following: Common Schools, \$517.69; Repairs and Equipment, \$56.88; and Office Expense, \$1.47. Subtracting the overdraft from the unexpended balances leaves \$568.68, the amount of cash on hand.

BUDGET

The budget as here presented represents an increase of \$1,121.25 over that of last year, but it should be kept in mind that last year's appropriation was lower because of anticipated equalization funds. There will be no equalization money next December, and we should estimate considerably less in the State Fund. The amount suggested should provide funds sufficient either to reopen the Berry Mills Grammar Room next September, or convey all or part of the pupils we are now conveying. The Budget presented does not provide any additional sum that would probably be needed to maintain the Stickney Corner School without State subsidy. If the town should wish to maintain the school even with as few as eight pupils, the Common School Account should be increased by \$600.00.

The budget as approved by the School Committee is submitted for consideration:

Common Schools	\$3,950 00
High School Tuition	450 00
Books and Supplies	150 00
Repairs and Equipment	25 00
Superintendence	238 80
Office Expense	20 00

Insurance	\$32 00
Interest of School Fund	45 00
High School Conveyance	50 00
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	\$4,920 80

Note: The amount for Common Schools should be \$4,550.00 if Stickney Corner School is maintained next year, making the total \$5,520.80.

CONCLUSION

Our schools are fairly well supplied with textbooks. A new Basic Reading program should be introduced at Berry Mills. At Stickney Corner, we changed our reading texts and workbooks and these may be used at Berry Mills, if the Stickney Corner School should have to be discontinued. New Social Studies texts are needed. Correlated history and geography texts at each grade level would make for more effective teaching where one teacher has several grades.

To the members of the Superintending School Committee, other town officers and teachers, I am sincerely grateful for their continued help and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

GERALD D. CUSHING,

Superintendent of Schools.

Financial Statement

COMMON SCHOOLS

Receipts

Overdraft appropriation	\$ 8 38
Appropriation	3,000 00
Interest on School Fund	45 00
Tuition (Town of Weld)	120 00
From State School Fund	3,966 06
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	\$7,139 44

Expenditures

Overdraft (1947)	\$ 12 61
Teachers' Salaries	3,934 78
Janitors and Cleaning	331 65
Fuel	158 75
Conveyance	1,412 46
Tuition (Town of Dixfield)	720 00
Tuition (Town of Bethel)	20 00
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	\$6,621 75
Unexpended	<hr/>
	\$517 69

HIGH SCHOOL TUITION

Receipts

Appropriation	\$300 00
From State School Fund	460 00
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	\$760 00

Expenditures

Paid Town of Mexico	\$ 60 00
Paid Town of Weld	50 00
Paid Town of Dixfield	650 00
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	\$760 00

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

Receipts

Appropriation	\$100 00	
From State School Fund	230 47	
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		\$330 47
Expended		330 47

REPAIRS AND EQUIPMENT

Receipts

Balance (1947)	\$ 57 72	
Appropriation	100 00	
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		\$157 72
Expended		100 84
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Unexpended		\$56 88

SUPERINTENDENCE

Receipts

Balance (1947)	\$ 24 15	
Appropriation	234 55	
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		\$258 70
Expended		258 70

OFFICE EXPENSE

Receipts

Balance (1947)	\$ 1 47	
Appropriation	20 00	
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		\$21 47
Expended		20 00
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Unexpended		\$1 47

INSURANCE

Unexpended Balance (1947)	\$24 22	
Expended	31 58	
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Overdrawn		\$7 36

STATE OF MAINE

Received from State School Fund		\$3,116 53
Received from Equalization		1,540 00
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Total Amount Available from State		\$4,656 53
Transferred to Common Schools	\$3,966 06	
Transferred to High School	460 00	
Transferred to Books and Supplies	230 47	
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		\$4,656 53

RECAPITULATION

Account	Receipts	Expend- itures	Balance	Over- drawn
Common Schools	\$7,139 44	\$6,621 75	\$517 69	
High School Tuition	760 00	760 00		
Books and Supplies	330 47	330 47		
Repairs and Equipment	157 72	100 84	56 88	
Superintendence	258 70	258 70		
Office Expense	21 47	20 00	1 47	
Insurance	24 22	31 58		\$7 36
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	\$8,692 02	\$8,123 34	\$576 04	\$ 7 36
Unexpended Balance		568 68		568 68
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	\$8,692 02	\$8,692 02	\$576 04	\$576 04

Report of Health Officer

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Scarlet Fever	1
Mumps	8
Diphtheria Germs	17

A. E. BURGESS,
Health Officer.

South Franklin County Tuberculosis and Health Association

To the citizens of Carthage, we submit the twenty-first report of the activities of this association, from January 1, 1948, to January 1, 1949.

One basic need in our quest for happiness is to be accepted within our own group, and when we have succeeded in this we feel we have proven our worth. When we receive recognition for something well done we have achieved success. Reviewing this year does give some satisfaction.

HEALTH EDUCATION — Everything we do has a teaching value and we keep this in mind in planning our program. We have endeavored to grow professionally through study, and attendance at, and participation in, professional conferences and meetings, when possible, selecting new features that are adapted to our needs. From our Christmas Seal fund, Mrs. Aurora Gould of Wilton, was awarded the scholarship to the Health Education Workshop at the University of Maine, and Macomber Hill Farm Bureau of Jay awarded the same to Mrs. Verna Grant. Both teachers brought much of value to their class room.

MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS — For several years we have had medical examinations of all school children, while in most systems it is agreed that three times during the grade years is sufficient, with more emphasis on corrections. It is time that we evaluate our service and keep to the modern trends.

The new law requires three immunization clinics a year, and if we plan for the dental unit every year, we wonder if it would not be wise if we plan to do medical examinations at Berry's Mills one year and Stickney's Corner the next, and save time for these other worth while services. This would mean that Stickney's Corner would be done this year. We feel that the preschool clinic is very important and should be held every year. If corrections are made then the child requires less supervision later.

Our dental program was a great success and we hope you plan to continue them. By giving attention early, much less has to be done in

the upper grades. The Mother's Club should be commended for the generous contribution, and appreciation is due Mrs. Latham for her services.

SCHOOL SUPERVISION — 25 visits have been made to your schools and 37 conferences with teachers and 6 with superintendent, regarding the school children, their handicaps, home conditions, immunizations and other community plans.

TUBERCULOSIS — The County Teachers Association has taken the responsibility for the teachers' x-rays. We are still hoping that some way will be found to have the unit at Farmington Fair when all people interested may have an x-ray. Opportunity is offered those who go to Farm and Home week at Orono.

We are at present interested in a Rehabilitation worker for Hebron Sanatorium as at Fairfield. There is a real need to prepare patients for vocational training within their physical limitations, so that they may continue to be self-supporting on discharge.

OTHER COMMUNICABLE DISEASES — We assisted Dr. Young at part of the clinics but do not have the complete report. We are so close to our anxiety of last year that it would seem unnecessary to warn you that these immunizations should be kept up to date.

HOME VISITING — We made 55 visits to homes of school children, 5 to infants, 4 to preschool, 2 to crippled children, one to adult, and 37 interviews in the interest of the work.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES — We feel there is more benefit in sharing community planning and action, and welcome opportunities to work through the health program of other organizations.

We have attended 55 meetings this year, only one in Carthage, but many were professional meetings from which you would benefit eventually.

We are mindful of all the good work being done and do appreciate the spirit with which you cooperate.

Respectfully submitted,

**SOUTH FRANKLIN COUNTY TUBERCULOSIS
& HEALTH ASS'N.**

By: Olive Bonsey, R. N.
Executive Nurse

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1948/49

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE
State House, Augusta

11 Nov. 48

Miss Olive Bonsey, R.N., Executive Nurse
South Franklin Co. Tuberculosis and Health Association
Wilton, Maine

Dear Miss Bonsey:

I have the honor to submit the following record of treatment for the children of Carthage during a five day period:

Number of patients examined	43
Number of visits	78
Number of teeth filled	163
Number of teeth extracted	41
Number of x-rays taken	14
Number of cleanings	11
Number of patients completed	29

Of the several patients who were not completed, a few refused treatment, several failed to return to have their work completed, and several made their appointments so late that it was impossible to complete all their work in one sitting.

I would like to extend my appreciation to Mrs. Latham for her assistance which made a larger volume of work possible. Also, I would like to thank you for your cooperation and efforts in making the trailer program a success.

Sincerely yours,

ROBERT REISS, D.D.S.

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