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**Annual
Report**
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Town of
SEARSPORT
MAINE

For the Municipal Year

1949-50.

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Annual Report

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Municipal Officers

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Town of

SEARSPORT, MAINE



FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR

1949

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WARRANT

To Jay Colcord, a Constable of the Town of Searsport,
in the County of Waldo Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby requested to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Searsport, in said county qualified by law to vote in Town, on Monday the 6th day of March, A. D. 1950 at seven o'clock in the afternoon, then and there 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 see if the Town will accept the Annual Report of the Municipal officers as printed.
- Art. 4. To see what compensation the Town will vote to pay the various Town officers for the ensuing year.
- Art. 5. To choose and elect Town officers for the ensuing year and how many, Selectmen, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, a Town Treasurer, a member of the School Board to serve for three years, a Budget Committee, a Road Commissioner, Constables, Surveyors of Sawed Lumber, Surveyors of Wood and Bark, Surveyors of Spars and Timber, Fence Viewers, Sealers of Leather, Viewers and Cullers of Hoops and Staves, and Fire Ward.
- Art. 6. To elect a Tax Collector.

- Art. 7 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town, to see and dispose of or lease any real estate acquired by the Town for non-payment of taxes thereon, on such terms as they may deem advisable, and to execute quit claim deeds for such property.
- Art. 8 To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the support of the High School.
- Art. 9 To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the support of the Elementary Schools.
- Art. 10 To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the Superintendent of Schools.
- Art. 11 To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for repairs, insurance, truancy, and equipment for the schools.
- Art. 12 To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the support of the Carver Memorial Library.
- Art. 13 To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for General Government and Incidentals.
- Art. 14 To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the support of the poor.
- Art. 15 To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the use of Hydrants.

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- Art. 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to maintain the present Fire Department and to make such changes, as may, in their opinion, become necessary.
- Art. 17. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the repairs of the Town Roads, and how much to allow for labor.
- Art. 18. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for patrol maintenance.
- Art. 19. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for cutting bushes on improved and Town roads.
- Art. 20. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for winter breaking and snow removal.
- Art. 21. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for the support of the Fire Department.
- Art. 22. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for sewer repairs and maintenance or act anything thereon.
- Art. 23. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for decoration of Soldiers' Graves and care of the Monument Lot.
- Art. 24. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for Street Lights.

- Art. 25. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate for sidewalk repairs and maintenance, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 26. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$85.00 for public health nursing in Searsport. Said sum to be expended by the State Bureau of Health, for local service.
- Art. 27. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for repair and maintenance of the Town Wharf, or act anything thereon.
- Art. 28. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of Union Hall.
- Art. 29. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Mothers' Aid.
- Art. 30. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and the Town Treasurer to borrow, as temporary loan or loans, to and for the use of the Town of Searsport, in anticipation of Taxes of the current Municipal Year, sums of money in the aggregate not exceeding twelve thousand dollars, (\$12,000.00); and to authorize the Town Treasurer to execute the negotiable bonds or notes of the Town therefore payable within the said Municipal year from moneys raised by taxation therein and upon such terms as shall be satisfactory to the Selectmen of said Town, in accordance with provisions of R. S. Maine, Section 83, Chapter 5 as amended.

- Art. 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50 for advertising our natural resources, advantages and attractions, under the provision of Section 82, Chapter 5 of the revised statutes. Said money to be expended through the State of Maine Publicity Bureau.
- Art. 32. To see what sum the Town will raise and appropriate for State Aid road construction (in addition to the amount regularly raised for the care of ways, highways and bridges) under the provisions of Section 25 and 29, Chapter 20, R. S. 1944, as amended.
- Art. 33. To see how much money the Town will raise and appropriate to add to the World War I and II Memorial Gymnasium Capital Reserve Fund, or act anything thereon.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session in the Selectmen's Office on Saturday, March 4, 1950 at 9 o'clock in the morning for the purpose of correcting and revising the list of voters.

Given under our hands at Searsport, February A. D. 1950.

E. W. FLETCHER
C. A. ROGERS, SR.
V. N. GREENE

Selectmen of Searsport.

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ASSESSOR'S REPORT

	Valuation		
	R. Estate	P. Estate	Total
Resident.....	408,364.00	49,693.00	458,057.00
Non-resident	437,540.00	153,350.00	590,890.00
Grand Totals	845,904.00	203,043.00	1,048,947.00
Tax rate \$68.00 per 1,000		71,328.39	
322 polls at \$3.00		966.00	
Supplemental Tax		307.40	
			72,601.79

Appropriations

High School	\$7,100.00
Elementary Schools	15,875.00
Superintendent of Schools	945.00
General School Account	1,250.00
Library	400.00
General Government	6,000.00
Town Poor	5,500.00
Hydrants	2,625.00
Town Roads	5,200.00
Cutting Bushes	400.00
Snow Removal	2,000.00
Fire Department	2,500.00
Sewers	700.00
Memorial Day	50.00
Street Lights.....	1,200.00
Sidewalk Repairs	100.00
Health Nurse	85.00
Special Resolve Road Maintenance	200.00
Town Wharf	400.00

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Union Hall.....	500.00
Mother's Aid.....	700.00
Publicity.....	50.00
State Aid Construction	1,200.00
Gymnasium Capital Reserve Fund . . .	1,000.00
Community Christmas Tree	50.00
4th of July Celebration	50.00
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Total Direct Appropriation	56,080.00
Assessed for State Tax	7,818.88
Assessed for County Tax	6,149.99
Assessed for Overlay	2,245.52
Assessed for Supplemental Tax	307.40
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Total	72,601.79

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. FLETCHER
 C. A. ROGERS, SR.
 V. N. GREENE

Assessors of Searsport

February 9, 1950

The Board of Selectmen
Town of Searsport
Searsport, Maine

Gentlemen:

In accordance with your request, we have audited the general and trust fund accounting records of the Town of Searsport, Maine, for the year ending January 30, 1950; have examined records of the town clerk affecting accounting procedure and the administration of the town. We did not perform a detailed audit. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

Balance Sheet Comments

Cash on deposit, in the general fund, has been reconciled with certificate furnished by the Merrill Trust Company. Cash on hand, totalling \$1,211.39 has been certified by the depository as being received on January 31, 1950.

Accounts receivable are principally for pauper relief to non-settled or non-resident cases; a reserve for possible loss is due to the difficulty in obtaining settlements and because certain minor amounts have been outstanding for more than six years.

The assessment of 1949 taxes has been proved and the individual assessments have been compared, in detail, with the list committed to the collector. During the year the abatement reserve was nearly all used for anticipated losses and the minor balance eliminated. Although no reserves exist at the present time, it is felt that further losses will be incurred.

We have examined tax lien mortgages securing 1948 taxes; costs have been added to and forms a part of the reconciled ledger balances.

All new titles by which the town has acquired additional property by reason of foreclosed tax liens have been examined. Individual balances have been reconciled with the ledger control.

The capital reserve of \$1,000.00 authorized at the last annual meeting, together with interest earnings of \$28.38 on investments made in prior years, was found to have been transferred to, and intermingled with, trust fund cash and was not earning interest at year end closing. This transfer included the last years earnings on a special time deposit created for the very good purpose of depositing and automatically reinvesting earnings from bond investments. The savings account interest thus earned becomes a part of the capital reserve and should remain intact and invested.

The records of amounts withheld from employees have been examined and the liability, as stated, appears to be correct. The deferred credit is for an amount normally considered due the State of Maine but has been held pending settlement of accounts due the town from the State Department of Health and Welfare involving the same party which have been subject to delay.

Trust Funds

Trust fund resources, in the form of security investments, have been verified by direct examination. Amounts on demand deposit have been reconciled with certificate furnished by the Merrill Trust Company; an overage of \$1,028.38 was traced to an intermingling with capital reserve funds. Cash undeposited, has been determined to have been placed on time deposit subsequent to year end closing.

Trust fund balances, consisting of expendable income and principal, have been reconciled with the transactions in each individual trusteeship. The income in certain accounts may appear to be inconsistent from year to year but the cause is apparent because of investment in U. S. Bonds dated on February 1, therefore, either one, two, or even three dividend checks can be

received in the same fiscal period depending upon mail delivery. The division of the income from the Joanna C. Colcord Fund has been at mathematical variance with the provisions of the trust; a review of all years has been made to confirm the present status. For convenience, the benefits for the Benjamin and Lincoln Colcord lots have been divided upon the schedule of individual funds to distinguish the excess of earnings which under the conditions of the trust must be paid to the Elmwood Cemetery Association from the special repair account which must presently accrue. The number of trust funds left to the Town of Searsport is outstanding among our municipalities and are of obvious benefit, however, the complexity and number involved create a substantial accounting burden upon the town.

Operating Comments

We did not make a detailed audit of all departmental transactions; we did, however, make a test check of invoices in support of warrants issued for expenditure and of the checks issued for payment. The transactions of the treasurer have been examined in complete detail. We have verified appropriation levies together with all other records of the town clerk pertaining to administration and to the accounting procedure.

Continuing appropriations are limited to purposes of education, including school survey. All other balances in departmental accounts have been lapsed to surplus. The operations for the year reflect that the unexpended balances were greater than the overdrafts to the extent of \$2,514.33 which is considered worthy of favorable comment. This gain together with other unappropriated revenue made possible the substantial appropriation from surplus for special sewer maintenance. without creating a loss for the year.

Certificate

Based upon our examination, and subject to the foregoing, we hereby certify that, in our opinion, the accompanying comparative balance sheet, statement of transactions in departmental accounts, and analysis of change in surplus properly present the financial of the town as of January 30, 1950, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted principles of municipal accounting.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL A. SMITH & CO.

W. C. WHEELER

Public Accountant

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COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

General Fund

	January 30, 1950	January 31, 1949
Resources:		
Cash.....	13,148.37	13,386.80
Accounts Receivable.....	683.60	681.39
Less: Reserve for Uncollectibles	<u>348.31</u>	
	335.29	
Tax Receivables.....	6,907.11	5,073.34
Less: Abatement Reserve.....		<u>594.78</u>
		4,478.56
Tax Liens.....	487.30	487.74
Tax Acquired Property.....	1,957.82	1,920.83
Capital Reserve:		
Cash.....	1,028.38	
Investments.....	<u>1,149.45</u>	1,149.45
	2,177.83	
Total Resources.....	<u>25,013.72</u>	<u>22,104.77</u>
Obligations:		
Accounts Payable:		
Agency.....	212.30	206.46
Other.....	<u>43.55</u>	<u>43.55</u>
	255.85	250.01
Capital Reserve.....	2,177.83	1,149.45
Deferred Credits.....	92.45	
Continuing Appropriations.....	4,824.39	5,672.65
Available Surplus of Resources ...	<u>17,663.20</u>	<u>15,032.66</u>
Total Obligations.....	25,013.72	22,104.77

The complete report of audit is on file in the office of the Selectmen.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

It became necessary to relay the sewer line along the Main Street during the road construction. The Selectmen were authorized at a special town meeting to draw from the surplus account for this purpose. Over 1800 feet of new line were laid along Route 1, together with a new line on Union Street and the Black Black Road. Several new entrances were made. We believe that this work has been of a permanent nature and will require little attention for years to come.

We found it advisable to have a new sidewalk on the North side of Main Street, for which we contracted with the Bridge Construction Company. This explains the overdraft in the sidewalk account.

Repair work on the town roads was extensive last spring due to an exceptionally warm fall and mild weather during the first part of winter.

About six miles of unimproved roads were heavily graveled last summer on the Koch Road and the Seekins Road, and Kimball Road.

Construction of the State Aid road at North Searsport was completed.

The Special Resolve road from Dodge's Corner to North Searsport has been accepted as State Aid road.

There will be available in 1950 for State Aid roads, approximately \$4800.00; unimproved roads \$2,100.00; 3rd Class roads \$1,550.00.

Steamboat Avenue and Norris Street were not tarred last year as anticipated. This was because of road construction and because it was deemed advisable to gravel the road last fall before applying tar.

This year extensive work on the road leading to the docks will be necessary.

It is hoped that some of the State Aid money will be used in applying tar this year rather than in construction of new roads.

We have appointed Halton Smith, Charles Havener, Charles Sawyer, Patrick O'Donnell, and Leoren Clements as Trustees of the Searsport School District.

One of the biggest problems is the handling of the poor account.

While it is the intention of the Overseers of the Poor to help any who are needy, it has become evident that there are those who sometimes ask for help when careful planning would have prevented the need.

The Poor Bill was greatest during the spring months, decreased in the summer and has been increasing again this winter.

Two or three cases make our poor bill higher than it should be, but we have found no way of correcting this situation.

The Overseers of the Poor need the help of all citizens in their efforts to keep this cost at a minimum.

The overdraft in the Union Hall account was authorized at the last Annual Town Meeting and is due to the placing of strapping on the ceiling on the first floor.

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GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Receipts

Appropriation.....	6,000.00	
Receipts and Credits.....	359.89	
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Total Available.....		6,359.89

Expenditures

Salaries:

E. W. Fletcher, 1st Selectman.....	300.00	
C. A. Rogers, 2nd Selectman.....	250.00	
V. N. Greene, 3rd Selectman.....	400.00	
F. E. Young, Treasurer.....	400.00	
Maurice Fletcher, Town Clerk.....	100.00	
Ruby D. Wood, Tax Collector.....	1,469.19	
E. W. Fletcher, Assessor.....	75.00	
C. A. Rogers, Assessor.....	75.00	
V. N. Greene, Assessor.....	125.00	
C. K. Sawyer, School Committee ..	50.00	
Esther Card, School Committee ...	50.00	
Leoren Clements, School Committee	50.00	
C. K. Sawyer, Moderator.....	5.00	
Fred Small, Health Officer.....	45.00	
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Total.....		3,394.19

Janitor—Lights—Telephone:

Wm. Hamilton.....	156.00	
C. M. Power Co.....	58.13	
N. E. Tel. and Tel. Co.....	110.19	
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Total		324.32

Fuel:

Gulf Oil Corporation.....	227.87
Officer's Bonds—Insurance:	
B. F. Colcord, Insurancy Agency	489.65

Supplies:

Fletcher's Hardware	1.30
Marks PrintingHouse	37.50
Kelley Press	36.59
Business Equipment Corp.....	44.95
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Total.....	120.34

Other Charges:

Hillard Buzzell.	6.00
Fox and Ginn.	2.94
Payrolls	156.88
C. G. Carley	4.05
Fletcher's Hardware.. ..	13.72
Kelley Press	277.40
Milton Hills	2.15
Register of Deeds	33.75
Journal Publishing Co.	3.40
Maine Municipal Ass'n.	40.00
Paul A. Smith Co.	362.58
Harvard Bowdoin	32.38
Katherine Greene.	5.25
J. S. Colcord	37.00
Roger Harriman.....	8.75
Fred Small ...	11.00
W. A. Smith	5.00
Richard Crosby	9.00
City Drug Store	1.77
Ruby Wood	69.03

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Bangor Daily News.....	9.69	
Clifford Curtis.....	12.54	
Searsport Water District.....	34.00	
Stanley H. Reese.....	9.24	
Victor Greene.....	34.09	
Fred L. Tower Co.....	10.00	
Vernon Hathaway.....	65.63	
Berry's Taxi.....	2.50	
Grant's Lunch.....	2.05	
Fred E. Young.....	7.15	
Ella Rogers.....	5.00	
E. W. Fletcher.....	15.95	
Eugene Otis.....	5.00	
Dunton and Morse.....	3.00	
Bangor Drug Co.....	54.30	
Grace Harriman.....	30.00	
H. E. Merrlthw.....	5.00	
Esther Clements.....	5.00	
Merrill Trust Co.....	5.00	
Fred Small Estate.....	2.00	
Register of Probate	8.00	
Hall Hardware.....	13.50	
Searsport Drug.....	3.00	
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Total.....		1,423.69
Deb't from Other Accounts.....	42.25	
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Total Expenditures.. ..		6,022.31
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Balance to Surplus		337.58

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UNION HALL

Receipts

Appropriation	500.00	
Other Credits	7.07	
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Total Credits		507.07

Expenditures

William Hamilton, Janitor	104.00	
C. M. P. Co., Lights	88.48	
Gulf Oil Co., Fuel	21.03	
R. M. Thompson, Coal	315.69	
Archer Gilkey	4.75	
Fletcher's Hardware	43.52	
Leoren Clements	45.00	
Nelson Swift	35.00	
Harry Clements	3.00	
R. M. Thompson, Trucking ..	6.00	
C. G. Carley	11.25	
R. Crosby	1.00	
Taylor's Market	1.29	
Searsport Drug Co.35	
Linwood Howard	3.00	
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Total Expenditures		683.36
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Overdraft to Surplus		176.29

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Receipts

Appropriation	2,500.00
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Expenditures

Diamond Match Co.....	3.81	
Warner Hamilton.....	2.00	
Johnson's Esso Station .	25.00	
Payroll .	24.00	
Firemen's Payroll \$121.25 .	510.05	
Fletcher's Hardware Co. .	3.60	
Gulf Oil Co.	223.17	
Kittredge's Market . . .	1.93	
Fox and Ginn.....	1.60	
C. G. Carley.....	31.28	
Andrews Garage.....	14.45	
Daniel C. Rich.	26.36	
Searsport Hardware . . .	1.00	
Bay View Service Station...	68.37	
Wm. Rooney.....	.75	
B. F. Colcord, Ins. Agency . . .	75.00	
Richard Crosby.....	4.00	
Eastern Fire Equipment Co.	506.00	
Municipal Fire Apparatus Co.	1,197.10	
C. M. P. Co.....	28.75	
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Total Expenditures.....		2,748.22
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Overdraft to Surplus.....		248.22

STREET LIGHTS

Appropriation	1,200.00	
Paid Central Maine Power Co.	862.80	
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Balance to Surplus.....		337.20

HYDRANT RENTAL

Appropriation.....	2,600.00
Paid Searsport Water District	2,600.00

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SEWER MAINTENANCE

Appropriation.....	700.00	
Other Receipts:		
Edward Gilkey	40.46	
Waldo Pierce	190.40	
Gulf Oil Corp.	10.00	
C. N. Carver.....	269.54	
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Total Available.....		1,210.40

Expenditures

Payrolls ..	1,041.98	
James H. Duncan	20.00	
Fletcher's Hardware .. .	208.29	
Diamond Match Co. .. .	2,442.69	
Searsport Hardware .. .	34.65	
C. G. Carley	2.34	
Bridge Construction Corp. . .	3,406.00	
Knox Bros. .. .	5.57	
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Total Expenditures .. .		7,161.52
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Overdraft to Surplus .. .		5,951.12

HEALTH NURSE

Appropriation.....	85.00
Paid State Treasurer	85.00

CARVER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Appropriation.	400.00	
Stipend from State	35.00	
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Total Available .. .		435.00
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Paid Library Association		435.00

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MEMORIAL DAY

Appropriation..... 50.00

Expenditures

Searsport Drug Co..... 32.00

Fletcher's Hardware 5.23

William Murphy..... 10.00

Arthur Stantial..... 9.00

Total Expenditures..... 56.23

Overdraft to Surplus..... 6.23

FOURTH OF JULY

Appropriation..... 50.00

Paid Frank Perkins 50.00

SCHOOL SURVEY

Balance Carried Forward..... 1,484.00

Expenditures

Bangor Daily News..... 16.14

Journal Publishing Co..... 4.35

Eston & Peabody..... 30.00

Total Expenditures..... 50.49

Balance Carried Forward..... 1,433.51

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WORLD WAR I and II MEMORIAL

Capital Reserve Fund

Balance as of January 31, 1949....	1,149.45	
Appropriation, 1949.....	1,000.00	
Interest Earned.....	28.38	
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Total Available.....		2,177.83

PUBLICITY

Appropriation	50.00
Paid Maine Publicity Bureau	50.00

WHARF MAINTENANCE

Appropriation.....	400.00
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Expenditures

Payroll	49.19
Fletcher's Hardware	4.70

Total Expenditures	<hr/>	53.89
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Balance to Surplus.....		<hr/>	346.11
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ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**Receipts**

Balance January 31, 1949	1,254.90
Appropriation.....	15,875.00
State School Fund	6,046.90
Doubleday & Co.	4.80

Total Available.....	<hr/>	23,181.60
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Expenditures

By Payrolls.....	21,274.33
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	1,907.27

HIGH SCHOOL

Receipts

Balance January 31, 1949.....	1,038.20
Appropriation.....	7,100.00
State School Fund.....	1,500.00
A. V. Jeevett.....	37.50
Town of Prospect, Tuition.....	125.00

Total Available.....	<hr/>
	9,800.70

Expenditures

By Payroll.....	9,147.53
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Balance Carried Forward.....	653.17

GENERAL SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Receipts

Balance January 31, 1949	995.55
Appropriation.....	1,250.00
Other Receipts.....	99.25

Total Available.....	<hr/>
	2,344.80

Expenditures

By Payroll.....	1,514.36
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Balance Carried Forward.....	830.44

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SUPERINTENDENCE

Appropriation.....	945.00	
Paid by Payroll	906.24	
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Balance to Surplus		38.76

CHRISTMAS TREE

Appropriation	50.00	
Expenditures		
First National Stores	75	
Sid's Market	34.69	
Knox Bros.	2.00	
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Total Expenditures		37.44
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Balance to Surplus		12.56

TOWN WOOD LOT

Receipts		
Sale of Wood—7½ Cords.....	62.50	
Cost of Cutting and Yarding Wood— 30 Cords	212.00	
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Overdraft to Surplus		149.50

GENERAL INTEREST

Interest Received on Tax Liens	24.05	
Paid The Merrill Trust Co.	15.61	
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Balance to Surplus		8.44

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. FLETCHER
 C. A. ROGERS, SR.
 V. N. GREENE
 Selectmen of Searsport

ROAD COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Town Roads

Appropriation.....	5,200.00	
Searsport Lobster Pound....	5.70	
V. N. Greene.....	4.29	
Other Credits.....	46.00	
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Total Available.....		5,255.99

Expenditures:

Payrolls—Labor.....	2,304.14
Payrolls—Trucks.....	1,273.91
Raymond York, Gravel.....	2.00
Gilbert Fowler, Gravel....	.80
Lewis Nickerson, Gravel.....	77.40
Carl Blake, Gravel.....	23.80
Ira W. Veazie.....	24.00
Achorn's Pit-Gravel.....	295.00
Bayview Service Station.....	145.85
John Lord.....	6.00
Bancroft and Martin.....	458.32
Andrew's Garage.....	82.85
Eastern Tractor & Equipment.....	78.76
Bridge Construction Co.....	78.00
Fox and Ginn.....	1.15
Charles Seekins.....	30.00
Payson Seekins.....	6.00
Johnson's Esso Station.....	29.10
Fletcher's Hardware.....	21.73
Gulf Oil Corp.....	4.00
Grace Sargent.....	15.00
C. G. Carley.....	10.00
Alden Stinson.....	17.20

Roger Harriman.....	26.72	
Searsport Hardware Co.	1.08	
Shute's Service Station	3.35	
Other charges	162.50	
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Total Expenditures		5,178.61
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Balance to Surplus		77.38

Snow Removal

Receipts:

Appropriation	2,000.00	
State of Maine	561.03	
Town of Swanville	37.50	
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Total Available.....		2,598.53

Expenditures:

Payrolls—Labor	979.90	
Payrolls—Trucks	818.92	
Payrolls—Sand.....	220.50	
Fletcher's Hardware	15.44	
State Highway Commission	258.00	
Edmunds Grain Co.....	36.75	
Other Charges	65.00	
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Total Expenditures.....		2,394.51
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Balance to Surplus.....		204.02

State Aid Construction

Receipts:

Balance January 31, 1949	900.00
Appropriation	1,200.00

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Received from State.....	2,166.54	
Refund Mrs. Tripp.....	102.70	
Refund from M. Fogg.....	3.48	
Refund from T. Harriman.....	5.48	
From Surplus.....	600.00	
Total Available.....		4,978.20

Expenditures:

Payrolls	3,267.38	
Bancroft and Martin.....	572.66	
Use of Tractor.....	268.86	
State Treasurer.....	352.70	
Ethel Tripp, Gravel	251.70	
Arnold Robinson.....	191.50	
Gilbert Fowler.....	73.40	
Total Expenses.....		4,978.20

Town Road Improvement

Receipts:

Received from State.....		2,493.92
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Expenditures:

Bancroft and Martin.....	176.64	
Payrolls	1,808.20	
State Treasurer.....	377.44	
Gilbert Fowler, Gravel	411.00	
Total Expenses.....		2,773.28
Overdraft to Surplus.....		279.36

Special Resolve Maintenance

Receipts:	
Appropriation.....	200.00
Expenditures:	
Payroll—Labor	123.44
Payroll—Truck	64.80
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Total Expenditure	188.24
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Balance to Surplus	11.76

Third Class Road Construction

Received from State.....	720.52
Expenditures:	
Payroll	276.75
Harvard Bowdoin	19.55
Gilbert Fowler, Gravel	123.20
State Treasurer	155.02
Other Charges	46.00
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Total Expenditures	720.52

Cutting Bushes

Receipts:	
Appropriation.....	400.00
Expenditures:	
Carl Whitcomb—Labor	96.76
Payroll—Labor	164.23
Fletcher's Hardware	21.56
Searsport Hardware	15.75
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Total Expenditures	298.30
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Balance to Surplus.....	101.70

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Sidewalks

Receipts:

Appropriation..... 100.00

Expenditures:

Paid Bridge Construction Co..... 300.00

Overdraft to Surplus..... 200.00

Tractor

Receipts:

Rent of Tractor..... 688.43

Expenditures:

C. N. Swift..... 10.00

Gulf Oil Products..... 48.95

Payrolls..... 92.81

Southworth Machine..... 261.54

Eastern Tractor & Equipment 3.34

Shute's Service Station..... 5.15

Andrew's Garage 107.55

Searsport Hardware..... 1.06

Knox Bros. 34.71

Treas., State of Maine..... 18.84

Total Expenditures..... 583.95

Balance to Surplus..... 104.48

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. FLETCHER
C. A. ROGERS, SR.
V. N. GREENE
Road Commissioners

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

TOWN POOR

Receipts

Appropriation.....	5,500.00	
Other Credit ..	19.25	
Total Available.....		5,519.25

Expenditures

Heber Kinney

George Clements.....	142.00	
City Drug Store	11.92	
Fred E. Young.....	68.00	
Total.....		221.92

Case No. 1.

Marguerite Rivers	71.17	
Taylor's Market.....	118.12	
First National Stores.....	119.83	
Dr. R. L. Torry.....	85.00	
Leslie Closson.....	14.50	
Clement and Adams.....	35.01	
Searsport Drug Co.....	3.23	
Fletcher's Hardware.....	.78	
Shute's Service Station.....	2.60	
Hilton Mortland.....	5.00	

455.24

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Family of Fred White, Jr.

Children's Aid Society.....	386.29	
Dr. Jones.....	5.00	
Dr. Harry Butler.....	25.00	
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Helen Ames

Dr. Sinnett.....	250.00	
Bertha Webber.....	1,080.00	
	<hr/>	1,330.00

Case No. 2.

Waldo County Hospital.....	66.85	
First National Stores.....	141.32	
Searsport Drug Co.....	1.55	
Dr. Jones.....	50.00	
	<hr/>	259.72

Florence Billings

Daniel Rich.....	1.64	
C. G. Carley.....	1.25	
	<hr/>	2.89

Ambrose Moody

Taylor's Market.....	40.00	
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Case No. 3.

Taylor's Market.....	41.06	
Fletcher's Hardware.. . . .	4.80	
Marguerite Rivers	6.91	
Ruth Smith.....	55.93	
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Total Expenditures	108.70	
Reimbursed...	6.56	
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		102.14

Russell Harvey

Fred Young.....	8.23	
Ruth Smith.....	7.04	
Taylor's Market...	88.39	
Marguerite Rivers...	26.04	
Fletcher's Hardware.	5.05	
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Total Expenditures.....	134.75	
Reimbursed.....	112.77	
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		21.98

Charles Hamilton

Waldo County Hospital.....	110.30	
Taylor's Market.....	30.94	
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		141.24

Case No. 4.

Fred E. Young.....	17.72	
S. S. Campbell.....	10.96	
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		28.68

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Case No. 5.

Sid's Market.....	14.34	
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		14.34

Clifford Eaton

Waldo County Hospital.....	74.22	
Berry's Taxi.....	3.00	
Incidentals.....	2.00	
Searsport Drug Co.....	7.24	
Gulf Oil Corp.....	42.75	
Dr. Stein	18.00	
Dr. Torrey.. ..	14.00	
City Drug.....	4.23	
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		165.44

Ed Young

Waldo County Hospital.....	132.85	
Dr. Foster Small.....	73.00	
Taylor's Market.....	5.53	
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		211.38

Case No. 6.

Sid's Market.....	26.00	
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		26.00

Case No. 7.

Taylor's Market.....	22.04	
Waldo County Hospital.....	39.70	
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		61.74

Case No. 8.

Sid's Market.....	14.85	
		14.85

Edward Savery

Sid's Market.....	9.94	
		9.94

Stanley Lamphier

Kittredge's I. G. A. Market	2.84	
Reimbursed.....	2.84	

Lillian Moody

City of Rockland.....	48.66	
		48.66
Total Expenditures.....		3,572.45
Balance to Surplus.....		1,946.80

Aid to Dependent Children**Receipts**

Appropriation.....	700.00
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Expenditures

Paid State Treasurer.....	645.80
Balance to Surplus.....	54.20

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Other Town Poor

Receipts

Town of Deer Isle.....	35.00	
City of Belfast.....	357.64	
City of Auburn.....	977.19	
Town of Bar Harbor.....	379.10	
Town of Castine.. ..	82.00	
Other Credits.....	132.22	
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Total Receipts.....		1,963.15
Expenditures.....		1,963.15

State Poor

Received from State.....	1,189.62	
Eugene Dodge—Labor.....	65.25	
Disallowance by State.....	7.06	
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Total Receipts.....		1,261.93
Total Payments.....		1,261.93

Respectfully submitted,

E. W. FLETCHER
C. A. ROGERS, SR.
V. N. GREENE
Overseers of the Poor

NOTICE TO DOG OWNERS

Officers Commanded to Kill Dogs to Make Return

Section 163. Officers to make returns. Each police officer or constable to whom the warrants named in the 2nd paragraph of the preceding section are issued shall return the same at the time specified and shall state in his return on each warrant the number of dogs killed or otherwise disposed of and whether all unlicensed dogs within his precinct have been disposed of, and the names of persons against whom complaints have been made under the provisions of said section. Such officers shall receive from the city town, or plantation the sum of \$2 for each dog killed or otherwise disposed of, and for other services rendered under the provisions of this chapter they shall receive such compensation as the municipal officers may determine.

Provided, however, that in the event the owner of a dog, that has been ordered to be killed, desires to conform with the law in regard to the dog at the time the officer calls to attend to his duty, he may pay the regular fees, due, plus an extra fee of 85 cents to the officer. The officer shall make a return on the warrant to that effect, and pay over the regular fee to the city or town clerk, retaining the 85 cents.

Provided further, that in no case shall such officer be entitled to more than \$2 as a fee for disposing of any dog.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

List of Fires and Cost Attended by Fire Dept. (1949)

Dec. 5, 1948	Edward Knowlton	Chimney	\$10.80
Dec. 11	Wm. Rooney	"	9.00
Dec. 14	Fred Harvey	"	12.00
Dec. 15	Abbie Andrews	"	9.00
Dec. 21	Methodist Parsonage	Shed	9.00
Dec. 28	Joseph Lewis	Oil Burner	15.30
Jan. 18, 1949	Emerson Knowlton	Chimney	10.80
Mar. 12	Mrs. Eveslage	"	9.00
Apr. 1	College Club Inn	Grass	9.90
Apr. 9	E. W. Gilkey	"	23.40
Apr. 10	College Club Inn	"	11.70
Apr. 15	Edgar Harding	"	17.10
Apr. 23	Arthur Dunham	House	72.00
Apr. 26	Care of Hose		9.00
May 3	Fred Harriman	Chimney	23.40
	Flushing Sewers		31.50
May 17	Fred Doliber	Rubbish	11.70
May 25	Prospect Street	Grass	7.20
June 18	Bridge Const. Co.	Truck	13.50
June 26	Wm. Gilkey	Garage	9.90
Sept. 3	Wm. Rooney	Chimney	10.80
Sept. 18	Searsport Drug	Oil Burner	1.80
Oct. 22	Walter Keniston	Chimney	10.80
Oct. 25	Pendleton Farm	"	9.00
Nov. 15	August Dodge	"	14.40
Nov. 24	Tyson Farm	"	16.20

Total Cost..... \$388.80

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. JACKSON

Fire Chief

ANNUAL REPORT

REPORT OF TREASURER

GENERAL TOWN FUNDS

Receipts

Balance February 1, 1949	13,386.80
1949 Town Taxes	66,343.14
1948 Town Taxes	2,939.82
1947 Town Taxes	87.10
1946 Town Taxes	27.80
1945 Town Taxes	76.70
Tax Liens	509.78
Cost and Interest	26.22
1948 Excise Taxes	829.60
1949 Excise Taxes	2,841.33
1950 Excise Taxes	929.82

State

Department of Education	7,546.90
Railroad and Telephone Tax	53.00
Dog License Refund	16.71
Snow Removal	561.03
Bank Stock Tax	154.09
Library Stipend	35.00
Health and Welfare	1,314.88
Highway Department	5,389.94

Other Receipts

Withholding Tax Receipts	1,613.40
Teachers Retirement Receipts	957.40
Merrill Trust Co. Loan	6,000.00
Misc. Poor Accounts	2,037.60
Tractor Account	140.86
High School Tuition	125.00
Sewer Account	510.40
Sale Town Property	125.74
General School Funds	43.05

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Union Hall.....	5.00	
General Government.....	19.10	
Gravel Account.....	114.10	
Town Wood Account.....	62.50	
Town Roads.....	5.70	
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	114,829.51	
Paid by Warrant.....		101,681.14
Cash Balance.....		13,148.37
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		114,829.51

Respectfully submitted,
FRED E. YOUNG
 Treasurer

TRUST FUND ACCOUNT

Balance February 1, 1949	1,647.80	
Capital Reserve Fund.....	1,000.00	
Cemetery Funds.....	800.00	
Interest Annie M. Partridge Fund . . .	499.14	
Interest Cemetery Funds	746.74	
Interest Library Funds.....	130.45	
Interest Worth Poor Fund	389.77	
Interest Barney Hose Fund.....	37.50	
Interest Joanna Colcord Fund	4.58	
Interest School & Gymnasium Fund	28.38	
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	5,284.36	
Paid by Warrant.....		2,054.94
Cash Balance.....		3,229.42
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		5,284.36

Respectfully submitted,
FRED E. YOUNG
 Treasurer

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

UNCOLLECTED TAXES

YEAR 1946

Conner, Irvin.....	42.22	
Littlefield, John, Heirs	13.20	
Prescott, Charles	2.60	
Rivers, Almon S. & Charlotte ...	27.44	
Roberts, Edward F.	6.24	
Ward, Elliott.....	10.40	
		102.40
Collected since January 30.....		3.00
		105.40

YEAR 1947

Boyington, Howard	53.00	
Cushman, Ernest & Eunice	9.60	
Merithew, Archie	27.90	
Prescott, Charles	3.60	
Rivers, Almon & Charlotte.....	17.40	
Roberts, Edward F.....	3.00	
		114.50
Collected since January 30.....		46.80
		161.30

YEAR 1948

Ashey, Alfred & Dorothy.....	3.72	
Clocord, Nellie.....	1.30	
Cook, Wesley.....	1.30	
Curtis & Robinson.....	16.25	

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Dickey, Lemuel H.....	6.25
Dunham, Arthur.....	1.30
Harriman, Roger.....	160.96
Ladd, Wyman, Heirs & Hilda.....	20.80
Larrabee, Ralph	1.30
Moulton, Harold & Mertie.....	13.70
Merithew, Harold	3.00
Merithew, Archie.....	17.30
Parse, Nicholas Heirs,.....	26.00
Prescott, Charles.....	3.90
Richardson, Joseph.....	16.00
Rivers, Almon S. & Charlotte.....	35.75
Roberts, Edward F.....	8.45
Roberts, Gordon & Carolyn.....	1.30
Roby, Harry.....	35.75
Young, Ed.....	22.50

396.83

Collected since January 30.....

104.25

501.08

YEAR 1949

Ames, Richard.....	18.77
Ashey, Alfred & Dorothy.....	21.42
Andrews, Ellis H.....	4.84
Bragdon, William E.	25.50
Card, Cecil J.	19.36
Carr, Ernest	27.20
Clements, Henry	34.98
Coffin, Mrs. James W.....	13.36
Colcord, B. F., Heirs.....	81.60
Colcord, Florence.....	120.36
Colcord, Gladys	35.02
Colcord, Nellie....	44.20
Coleman, Hattie, Heirs.....	30.40

Cook, Wesley.....	34.96
Curtis, Walter & Lena.....	57.80
Curtis & Robinson.....	17.00
Carter, Earl Edward ..	6.80
Dakin, Arthur... .	17.00
Dickey, Lemuel H.	44.20
Downes, Maud, Heirs & Charles	35.36
Dunham, Arthur	36.66
Dakin, Clinton.. ..	3.00
Elwell, Clyde	47.20
Flood, Mellie	17.00
Fowler, S. Gilbert & Esther.	93.31
Fraser, Marilla Jane.	30.60
Gratchell, Mary .. .	42.16
Grant, Ernest .. .	25.10
Grant, Ernest & Bertha	42.50
Grant, Milford .. .	20.00
Greenlaw, Percy.. .	1.70
Grindle, John .. .	40.80
Hamilton, Warner .. .	41.76
Harriman, Roger .. .	218.96
Howard, Corine .. .	17.00
Howard, Carl .. .	9.80
Hodgkins, Arthur .. .	3.00
Koch, Wm. J., Jr.	6.80
Ladd, Wyman, Heirs & Hilda	21.76
Lamphier, Stanley	3.00
Larrabee, Ralph .. .	1.36
Martin, Wilfred & Adele .. .	117.24
Merithew, Benjamin .. .	23.80
Merithew, Wm., Heirs.....	59.50
Moulton, Harold & Mertie	15.54
Murphy, John, Heirs	40.80
Merithew, Harold	3.00
Moody, Fred	4.36
Merithew, Archie	17.96
Murphy, Ernest	3.00

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Nichols, Joram H.....	33.80
Nickels, David, Heirs.....	78.14
Nickerson, Clytie	33.15
Nickerson, Lloyd.....	34.96
Nickerson, Norman, Heirs.....	11.90
Parse, Nicholas, Heirs.....	27.20
Pease, Aubrey	3.40
Pendleton, Maurice	79.16
Pike, Henry, Heirs	8.50
Prescott, Charles.....	28.50
Richardson, Joseph.....	27.20
Rivers, Almon S. & Charlotte.....	98.60
Roberts, Edward F.....	73.44
Roberts, Gordon & Carolyn.....	25.16
Roby, Harry.....	37.40
Rogers, Charles A., Jr. & Ella	68.00
Rogers, Charles A., Jr.....	31.28
Roberts, Gordon.....	20.40
Robinson, Edward, Jr.....	3.00
Seekins, Benjamin.....	5.20
Savery, Maud, Heirs.....	74.80
Seekins, Clyde	10.20
Seekins, Ruth A.	20.80
Seekins, Eugene & Margaret.....	20.00
Seekins, Percy L.	32.64
Stairs, Percy	278.26
Sanborn, Ralph	20.40
Socea, George	3.00
Seekins, Bernice	9.52
Tozier, Charles	37.34
Thompson, Rethel.....	3.00
Verrill, Edward & Evelyn.....	31.56
Ward, Irene.....	79.56
Ward, Elliott.....	3.00
Ward, Clifton.....	34.00
Wylie, Charles & Carolyn.....	74.46
Young, Robert O. & Pauline E.	10.20

York, Lewene	86.36
Young, Ed.....	23.40

NON-RESIDENT

Adams, Edwin	3.40
Berry, Willard, Heirs	6.80
Carver, George A., Heirs	302.60
Darby, Mildred	1.70
Dunaver, Bert.. . . .	10.20
Gillespie, Haverlock	5.44
Gordon, Bessie	8.50
Hendershot, Fred & Beatrice.	238.00
Mason, Everett J.	18.70
Moody, Gertrude & Raymond	68.00
Moody, Leon, Heirs	3.40
Nickerson, Robert S.	25.16
Palmer, Judson	20.40
Pettee, Frances	130.00
Savage, Boutelle	3.40
Thompson, Hugh	17.00
Thompson, Franklin P.	18.20
Wood, Paul L.	3.00
York, Jessie & Milford.	3.40
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	4,166.99
Collected since January 30.....	1,972.34
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	6,139.33

Respectfully submitted,

RUBY D. WOOD

Tax Collector

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

RECORD OF DEATHS

February 24, 1949—Fred Ernest Fletcher
March 16, 1949—Ella N. Moore
April 9, 1949—Heber Kenney
April 21, 1949—Arthur M. Sawyer
May 1, 1949—Albert P. Smith
June 5, 1949—Wyman Harold Ladd
June 27, 1949—Edmund Dunham
July 4, 1949—Robert Curtis
July 7, 1949—Annie Maude Downs
July 12, 1949—Edson O. Bailey
July 30, 1949—Blanche Edith Clark
August 5, 1949—Lucy A. Merithew Ross
August 18, 1949—Kenneth G. Evans
August 22, 1949—Daniel G. Devereux
September 12, 1949—Ella M. Bennett
September 15, 1949—Ida Adams Duncan
September 18, 1949—Frank Porter Decrow
September 22, 1949—Winnifred L. Jackson
September 25, 1949—Emma Jane Grindle
September 30, 1949—Emma B. Closson
October 3, 1949—Arletta A. Nickerson
October 10, 1949—Ruth E. Smith
November 13, 1949—Fred Alton Small
November 15, 1949—Inez C. Harvey
December 17, 1949—Charles S. Knox

Total Number of Births 24

Total Number of Marriages 23

Respectfully Submitted,

M. H. FLETCHER
Town Clerk

**REPORT OF
CARVER MEMORIAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION**

To the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Searsport:

Herewith is my report as Treasurer of the Carver Memorial Library Association for the year ending February 1, 1950.

Receipts

Refund from Trundy Fund	27.50	
Book Contribution	1.00	
Town of Searsport 1949 appropriation	400.00	
Interest from Funds	93.12	
Payment from Partridge Fund..	13.96	
Borrowed from Sweetser Fund	13.87	
Interest from E. Sweetser magazine Fund	68.00	
Estate of Amos D. Carver, Bequest.....	1,000.00	
Town of Searsport State Book Fund....	35.00	
Total receipts		1,652.45

Expenditures

Central Me. Power Co.—Light	36.88	
Merrill Trust Co., checking charges ...	2.10	
F. P. Partridge, 1½ cords of wood.....	18.00	
Archer W. Gilkey, repair of wiring	3.85	
George Campbell, Janitor	120.00	
Fletcher's Hardware Store, furnace repair.....	4.05	
Elsie H. Gilkey, Librarian	116.75	
Louise C. Carter, Asst. Librarian.....	12.75	
Florence Mackenzie, Asst. Librarian....	22.50	
The H. R. Huntting Co., 7 books.....	16.12	
The Eastern News Co., 2 books....	5.09	

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The Personal Book Shop, Inc., 7 books	14.08	
Consumers Fuel Co., 5 tons coal.....	118.75	
Alfred Ashe, sawing wood.....	3.00	
C. N. Carver (repairs and painting bills of 1948)	309.87	
C. G. Carley, furnace repair.	1.50	
W. Moody, 1 cord of wood.....	16.00	
Repayment of loan from Sweetser Fund.....	13.87	
R. M. Thompson, taking out ashes	12.00	
Postage and miscellaneous	1.40	
Magazine subscription.....	6.50	
Deficit February 1, 1949.....	53.26	
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Total Expenditures.....		908.32
Balance February 1, 1950.....	744.13	

BOOK FUNDS

Balance in funds February 1, 1949.....	119.55	
Interest from funds.....	42.00	
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Total Receipts.....		161.55

Expenditures

Refund of overpayment of interest.....		27.50
Purchase of 23 books.....		54.97
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Total Expenditures.....		82.49
Balance in Book funds February 1, 1950	79.06	

Respectfully submitted

JAMES H. DUNCAN

Treasurer

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

SUPERINTENDING SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mr. Charles K. Sawyer	Term Expires March 1950
Mrs. Cecil Card	Term Expires March 1950
Mr. Leoren Clements	Term Expires March 1950
Chairman—Mr. Sawyer	

To the School Committee and the Citizens of Searsport:

In accordance with the laws of Maine, it is my duty to submit the following report of the conditions and progress of the schools of Searsport for the year ending February 1, 1950.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Fall Term	Sept. 6, 1949-Dec. 16, 1949
Winter Terms	Jan. 3, 1950-Feb. 17, 1950
	Feb. 27, 1950-April 7, 1950
Spring Term	April 17, 1950-June 9, 1950

ENROLLMENT DATA FOR 1949-1950

School	Teacher	Grade	Conveyed	Enrollment Feb. 1, 1950
Central	Knox	1	21	31
Central	Marshall	2	18	21
Central	Clements	3 & 4	21	37
Central	Carter	4 & 6	20	31
Nichols	Bowden	5	19	23
Jr. High		7	12	21
Jr. High		8	14	30
Park	Buck	R	17	19
			142	213

Pupil enrollment for this year is consistent with that reported last year although there is a twenty per cent increase in the first grade enrollment. This constant enrollment level is due to the fact that we have experienced a loss of 15 pupils in these grades since the opening of schools in September. As Searsport grows industrially, it is only reasonable to assume that the school population will increase in proportion.

With the acceptance of the Searsport School District it is anticipated that with the opening of school next year it will be possible to once more offer a sub-primary program in the new addition to the Central School. Since the sub-primary children do not attend school for the full length of the school day, it is being contemplated that the teacher of sub-primary be available for a portion of each day for the purpose of doing some remedial work with pupils of the other grades.

The introduction of the sub-primary grade and provision for a teacher for each grade calls for the addition of one teacher to the faculty. Divided grades will be eliminated and there should be much better educational opportunities for all.

There is one other matter that should be called to your attention. Today there are 142 pupils being transported under present bus conditions. This is an increase of 28 more pupils than one year ago. It will be necessary to employ a regular school bus to replace the station wagon now being used. It will not only reduce the amount of time on the road, but will provide better transportation for a larger number of pupils including some high school students living at a great distance from school.

There has been one change this year in the school faculty. We were very fortunate to obtain the services of Mr. Ermond Lewis for the union music supervisory position. The pupils show much interest in music and are receiving a firm foundation in the subject. Professional interest is high in the school faculty. Mr. Lewis is continuing his study at the Northern Conservatory and

several teachers are participating in an extension course being offered by the University of Maine.

This year several improvements have been made in the high school. A new front entrance was made with doors having large glass panels which lighten the front hall. Two rooms have been redecorated and dark walls which are light absorbing have been replaced with new light reflecting surfaces. It is hoped that the remainder of the building will be redecorated next summer.

The following table shows how the school dollar is expended:

Instruction	.62
Fuel	.04
Janitoring & Cl.	.06
Texts	.04
Supplies	.03
Conveyance	.14
Lights	.01
General Account	.05

The school tax rate for Searsport is .02131 as compared with the State average of .02549.

In closing, I wish to express my appreciation for the fine support and cooperation you have given the schools of Searsport.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR A. WEBB

Superintendent of Schools

RECAPITULATION OF SEARSPORT SCHOOL
 ACCOUNTS FISCAL YEAR 1949-1950

Elementary School Account

Receipts

Appropriation.....	15,875.00	
Balance forward.....	1,254.90	
Text Credit.....	4.80	
State Fund.....	6,046.90	
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Expenditures

Teachers	13,307.95	
Fuel	781.10	
Janitoring & Cleaning.....	1,084.31	
Texts.....	850.85	
Supplies	572.94	
Conveyance	4,492.50	
Lights	184.68	
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Balance forward.....		1,907.27

Secondary School Account

Receipts

Appropriation.....	7,100.00	
Balance forward.....	1,038.20	
Tuition.....	125.00	
Typewriter credit.....	37.50	
State Fund.....	1,500.00	
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Expenditures

Teachers	6,599.88
Fuel	553.23
Janitorial & Cleaning	964.32
Texts	468.59
Supplies	460.71
Lights	100.80

		9,147.53
Balance forward.....		653.17

General School Account**Receipts**

Appropriation.....	1,250.00
Balance forward..	995.55
Supply credit.....	.75

		2,246.30
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Expenditures

Repairs.....	806.63
Equipment	125.00
Insurance	484.23

		1,415.86
Balance forward		830.44

REPORT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

To the Superintendent of Schools and the Superintending School Committee:

The enrollment at the High School building on January 31 was as follows: 7th Grade—21; 8th Grade—30; 9th Grade—18; 10th Grade—23; 11th Grade—16; and 12th Grade—14.

Work is being carried on as usual in an effort to have Searsport High School maintain the high scholastic standing that it has achieved in the past.

Two of the present senior class have already been accepted for admission to the University of Maine, one has applied for admission to Bowdoin, one hopes to attend the Maritime Academy at Castine, one has applied for admission to a Nurses Training School, and two hope to attend a Secretarial school. Thus one half of the Senior Class has indicated its intention of continuing with formal education.

Last May, the school competed in the County Scholastic Achievement Contest and won first place for the second consecutive year. The contest will not be held this year. However, we do expect to have the Interscholastic Speaking Contest in Searsport again this spring.

We, also, plan to have the boys compete in the baseball league, and the girls in the softball league which is being formed for the first time.

Mr. Ermond Lewis replaced Clyde Swett as music instructor and has been doing fine work.

Cooperation of all parents, pupils and teachers is essential to the welfare of any school. This has been evident to a great extent the past year.

A recapitulation of the financial side of our basketball season just closing shows that for the first time in several years, we have a net loss for the season. The figures are listed below:

BASKETBALL 1949-1950

Gate Receipts		421.90
Bus	184.00	
Bus—Paid by Players	59.75	124.25
Referees	165.50	
Tax	70.24	
Uniforms	52.52	
Cheerleaders' Jackets	40.00	
Trophies	10.16	
Ball	9.50	
Posters	15.65	
Insurance	5.00	
Miscellaneous	7.60	
Probable Cost of Cleaning Uniforms	15.00	
Letters	8.71	
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		524.23
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Loss		92.33

Respectfully submitted,

VICTOR N. GREENE

Principal

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING SERVICE

The Public Health Nursing program has been very limited this year because of the existing shortage of available Public Health Nurses in the area. It has been possible to carry on a program only because of the cooperation of citizens interested in the Public Health Nursing program; much credit is due this group. In spite of the handicap your nurse has visited your town 28 times.

As any effective educational Public Health Program is concerned with the care of the mother during her pregnancy and the establishing of the infant in a routine to build good physical and mental health, 61 home visits have been made. To assist the mother in carrying out a daily program for the child during his pre-school years which will equip him with a healthy mind in a healthy body, thus enabling him to adjust to his school life and life in the community, 73 home visits have been made.

Early in the year the series of immunization clinics in the school which were started in 1948, were completed. 22 children were immunized against Diphtheria, 7 against Whooping Cough, and 66 were given Tetanus toxoid for protection against Lock-jaw. A vaccination clinic was held, 23 children were protected against Smallpox, 163 pupils were given the Schick test and a series of 3 immunization clinics have been started. 15 children have been immunized against Diphtheria, 10 against Whooping Cough, and 44 were given Tetanus Toxoid. Plans have been made to complete this series of clinics early in 1950. 193 Audiometer tests to determine the percentage of hearing ability were done, 12 pupils were found to have a hearing loss. 8 home visits were made in an effort to secure treatment of physical defects. The schools have been visited 17 times. 21 conferences have been held with the Superintendent of School and teachers to discuss the health program and individual health problems.

Specialized services made available to the Community were Cripples Children Clinics, Pediatric Clinics, Cardiac Clinics, Mental Hygiene Clinics and Chest X-ray diagnostic Clinics. 9 home visits have been made in interest of the clinic patients.

This coming year through a redistribution of towns assigned to the nurse, each town will have a Public Health Nurse responsible for services offered to the Community. This should mean that with the cooperation of an organized Health Council, your town can have a program that will more nearly meet the needs of the Community.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Doctor, town officials, school personnel, health officer and members of the health Committee for their assistance in making this program available to the Community.

Respectfully submitted,

EMMA CREAMER

Public Health Nurse

REPORT OF SEARSPORT WATER DISTRICT

To the Board of Selectmen and Citizens of Searsport Water District:

The Trustees of the Searsport Water District submit this, the second annual report for the year ending December 21, 1949.

The construction of the new Highway through town necessitated many changes in Mains, Services, and Hydrants along the Main street, an obligation we were forced to accept and carry out in accordance with State requirements, the cost of which obliged the Water District to expend many times its normal cost of maintenance.

A complete Audit of this expense is not available at this time but the extra cost involved will be approximately \$13,000.00. Because of this extra expense the District was obliged to obtain a loan of \$5,000.00 from the Merrill Trust Company, which will be liquidated in quarterly payments of \$500.00, beginning February 1, 1950.

Respectfully submitted,

CLEMENT L. WHITTIER
JAMES H. DUNCAN
CHARLES C. HAVENER

Trustees