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GEORGE J. FOSTER & Co.
Dover, N. H.
1954
TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator
EVERETT B. SACKETT

Selectmen
R. CARL SANDERS, 1954
GEORGE A. BENNETT, 1955
ROBERT L. KENISTON, 1956

Treasurer
FLORENCE F. CALDWELL

Collector of Taxes
INEZ E. BENNETT

Town Clerk
ANNIE B. PIPER

Supervisors
JOHN W. CONLON
HERMAN RANDALL
GEORGE B. HILL

Trustees of Trust Funds
WALTER W. PLUMMER, 1954
FRANK I. CALDWELL, 1955
GEORGE A. BENNETT, 1956

Library Trustees
FLORENCE F. CALDWELL, 1954
MARGARET V. ANGELL, 1955
ETHEL D. THOMPSON, 1956

Highway Agent
HERMAN B. KENISTON
Librarian
ELIZABETH GEORGE

Health
GILMAN MENTER

Police
GILMAN MENTER

Dog Constable
GILMAN MENTER

Fire Warden
GEORGE A. BENNETT
Tel. 327-4, Newmarket, N. H.

Deputy Wardens
LLOYD STEVENS
Tel. 56-2, Newmarket, N. H.

ROBERT L. KENISTON
Tel. 56-12, Newmarket, N. H.

R. CARL SANDERS
Tel. 61-14, Newmarket, N. H.

FRANK I. CALDWELL
Tel. 1654-13, Dover, N. H.

AARON W. CHADBOURNE, JR.
Tel. 54-13, Newmarket, N. H.

Fire Chief
LLOYD STEVENS
Tel. 56-2, Newmarket, N. H.
TOWN Warrant

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Lee, in the County of Strafford in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs: (L. S.)

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Lee on Tuesday, the ninth day of March, next at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.
2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.
3. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance of highways.
4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two hundreds dollars ($200.00) for fire protection.
5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of two thousand two hundred dollars ($2,200.00) for Old Age Assistance and Relief.
6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one thousand dollars ($1,000.00) for Lee Hook Road.
7. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars ($400.00) for the Control of White Pine Blister Rust for the year 1954.
8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred and fifty-three dollars and eighty-four cents ($453.84) for the construction of Class V highways under the provisions of the T. R. A., so called. The State will contribute the sum of three thousand twenty-five dollars and sixty-one cents ($3,025.61).
9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of four hundred dollars ($400.00) for
the operation and maintenance of the Fire Department.

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of five hundred dollars ($500.00) for an Equipment Reserve Fund.

11. To raise and appropriate for the economic advancement of the Town through publicity and promotional services of the Seacoast Regional Development Association, in cooperation with other regional communities, a sum not exceeding one one-hundredth of one percent of assessed valuation, namely fifty-five dollars ($55.00).

12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to buy snow plow and wing and make appropriations for same.

13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to sell property acquired from tax sales.

14. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of the Town Dump.

15. To see if the Town will vote to raise the tax collector salary and make appropriations for same.

16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred dollars ($100.00) for name signs for the roads.

17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the selectmen to hire money in anticipation of taxes.

18. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this thirteenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and fifty-four.

GEORGE A. BENNETT,
R. CARL SANDERS,
ROBERT L. KENISTON,
Selectmen of Lee.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

R. CARL SANDERS,
GEORGE A. BENNETT,
ROBERT L. KENISTON,
Selectmen of Lee.
## BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF...

**ESTIMATES OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE ENSUING YEAR JANUARY 1, 1954 TO DECEMBER 31, 1954. COMPARED WITH**

### Sources of Revenue

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<td>Blister Rust Refund</td>
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<td><strong>FROM LOCAL SOURCES EXCEPT TAXES:</strong></td>
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<td>Dog Licenses</td>
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<td>Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits</td>
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<td>65.36</td>
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<td>(a) Highways, including rental of equipment</td>
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<td>339.90</td>
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<td>(b) Lee School District</td>
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<td>Sale of Town Property — Lumber</td>
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<td><strong>FROM LOCAL TAXES OTHER THAN PROPERTY TAXES:</strong></td>
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<td>(a) Poll Taxes — Regular at $2</td>
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<td>(b) National Bank Stock Taxes</td>
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<td>Yield Taxes</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES EXCEPT PROPERTY TAXES:</strong></td>
<td>$6,412.10</td>
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<td>20,013.84</td>
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**ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL REVENUE, APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR JANUARY 1, 1953 TO DECEMBER 31, 1953**
# LEE, NEW HAMPSHIRE

**ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL REVENUE, APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR JANUARY 1, 1952 TO DECEMBER 31, 1952**

## Purposes of Expenditures

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**TOTAL EXPENDITURES**

$40,126.72  $38,155.28  $20,013.84
FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1953

ASSETS

Cash:
  In hands of treasurer $25,830.21

Unredeemed taxes:
  Levy of 1952 96.26
  Levy of 1951 10.94

Uncollected taxes:
  Levy of 1953 3,550.20
  Levy of 1952 2.00
  State Head taxes, levy of 1953 185.00
  State Head taxes, previous years 5.00

Total assets $29,679.61

LIABILITIES

Unexpended balances of special appropriations:
  Lee Hook Road $ 5,000.00
  Tool shed, Town Hall 250.00
  Reserve ac. Future Yield tax loss 1,147.05

Due to State: Yield tax 135.72
Uncollected Head taxes 185.00

Due to School Districts, balance of appropriation 12,530.78

Total liabilities $19,248.55
Excess of assets over liabilities (surplus) 10,431.06

Grand total $29,679.61
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
For the Year Ending December 31, 1953
Receipts

Current Revenue:
From local taxes:
Property taxes, current year, 1953 $31,220.76
Poll taxes, current year, regular @ $2, 1953 402.00
National bank stock taxes, 1953 10.00
Yield taxes, 1953 1,246.94
State Head taxes @ $5, 1953 1,245.00
Total current year's taxes collected and remitted $ 34,124.70
Property taxes and Yield taxes, previous years 1,934.77
Poll taxes, previous years, regular @ $2 50.00
State Head taxes @ $5, previous years 130.00
Interest received on taxes 65.36
Penalties on State Head taxes 14.50
Tax sales redeemed, $54.36 advertising costs $20.45 74.81
From State:
For Class V highway maintenance 486.49
Interest and dividend tax 710.87
Railroad tax 22
Savings Bank tax and Building and Loan Association tax 67.44
Reimbursement ac. State and Federal forest lands, Mt. Shaw fire 147.00
Reimbursement ac. Exemption of Growing wood and timber 20.70
Road toll 15.60
Fighting forest fires 17.69
Reimbursement Head tax 4.93

From Local Sources, Except Taxes:
  Dog licenses 282.20
  Business licenses, permits and filing fees 5.00
  Registration of motor vehicles, 1952 permits 24.58
  Registration of motor vehicles, 1853 permits 2,630.43

Receipts Other than Current Revenue:
  Refunds, blister rust $ 1.90
  Sale of town property, lumber 3,350.00
  Lee library, balance appropriation 28.58
  Lee School district, printing reports 42.25
  Town of Barrington, road work 339.90
  Eastern States, refund .09
  U. S. Naval Base, combined charities 3.00

Total receipts other than current revenue $3,765.72

Total receipts from all sources $44,573.01
Cash on hand January 1, 1953 19,412.48

Grand total $63,985.49

Payments

Current Maintenance Expense:
General Government:
  Town officers’ salaries $1,005.00
  Town officers’ expenses 538.13
  Election and registration expenses 70.00
  Expenses town hall and other


town buildings 33.89
Protection of Persons and Property:
   Police department 20.00
   Fire department, including 1010.84
      forest fires
   Moth extermination—blister 400.00
      rust and care of trees
   Damage by dogs 40.52
Health:
   Health department, including 10.00
      hospitals
   Vital statistics 10.25
   Town dumps and garbage re-
      moval 750.00
Highways and Bridges:
   Town Road aid 446.83
   Town maintenance (summer 4,210.56
      $2,897.06) (winter $1,-
      313.50)
   General expenses of Highway 220.88
      department
Libraries:
   Libraries 228.58
Public Welfare:
   Old age assistance 1,081.71
   Town poor 734.50
Patriotic Purposes:
   Memorial Day and Veterans' 10.00
      Associations
Unclassified 825.95
   Advertising and Regional As-
      sociations 55.00
   Taxes bought by town 150.37

Total Current Maintenance expenses $11,853.01
Interest:
Paid on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes 47.25
Total interest payments $ 47.25

Indebtedness:
Payments on temporary loans in anticipation of taxes 3,000.00
Total indebtedness payments $ 3,000.00

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:
State Head taxes paid State treasurer (1953 taxes $973.50) (prior years $144.36) 1,117.86
Taxes paid to county 2,137.16
Payments to school districts (1952 tax $11,763.05) (1953 tax $8,263.95) 20,000.00

Total payments to other governmental divisions $23,255.02

Total payments for all purposes $38,155.28
Cash on hand December 31, 1953 25,830.21

Grand total $63,985.49

CERTIFICATE
This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete to the best of our knowledge and belief.
Date January 23, 1954.

R. CARL SANDERS,
GEORGE A. BENNETT,
ROBERT L. KENISTON,
Selectmen.

FLORENCE F. CALDWELL, Treasurer.
SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

- Town Hall, land and buildings: $3,500.00
  - Furniture and equipment: 25.00
- Libraries, furniture and equipment: 500.00
- Fire department, lands and buildings: 3,500.00
  - Equipment: 1,000.00
- Highway Department, equipment: 6,500.00
- Schools, land and buildings: 4,000.00
  - Equipment: 1,500.00
- All lands and buildings acquired through tax collector's deeds: 3,000.00

Total: $23,525.00

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

- Land and buildings: $495,720.00
- Electric plants: 52,297.00
- Horses, 46: 2,175.00
- Cows, 370: 32,660.00
- Other neat stock, 55: 3,200.00
- Sheep and goats, 78: 1,170.00
- Fowls, 11,520: 11,520.00
- Fur-bearing animals, 64: 960.00
- Portable mills, 3: 1,800.00
- Road building, repairing and well-drilling machines, 2: 1,000.00
- Wood, lumber, etc.: 26,088.00
- Gasoline pumps and tanks: 1,490.00
- Stock in trade: 6,000.00
- Mills and machinery: 6,800.00

Total gross valuation before exemptions allowed: $642,880.00
Less soldiers' exemptions 30,600.00

Net valuation on which tax rate is computed $612,280.00
Tax rate $100.00—$5.50.
Property taxes $33,667.90
Poll taxes 466.00
National bank stock taxes 10.00

$34,143.90

Yield taxes 2,152.50
Head taxes 1,440.00

**APPROPRIATIONS**

General expenses $3,970.00
Fire department 200.00
Lee Volunteer Fire Department 900.00
Blister rust 400.00
Town dump 750.00
State aid construction 2,000.00
Town road aid 446.83
Town maintenance 3,000.00
Snow removal 3,000.00
General expenses of Highway department 300.00
Old age assistance and relief 2,200.00
Seacoast Regional 55.00
County tax 2,137.16
School tax 20,767.73

Total town and school appropriations $40,126.72

Less estimated revenues and credits:
Interest and dividends tax $710.87
Railroad tax .50
Savings bank tax 75.00
Reimbursement ac. exemption wood, timber 869.73
Motor vehicle fees 2,100.00
Dog licenses 250.00
Business licenses and permits 6.00
Cash surplus 2,400.00

Total revenues and credits $ 6,412.10

Plus overlay 429.28
Net amount to be raised by taxation $34,143.90

Less poll taxes, 233 @ $2 $466.00
Less National bank stock taxes 10.00

476.00

Amount to be raised by property taxes on which tax rate is figured $33,667.90

Taxes to Be Committed to Collector
Property taxes $33,667.90
National bank stock taxes 10.00
Poll taxes 466.00

$34,143.90

Yield taxes 2,152.50
Head taxes 1,440.00

TOWN OFFICERS’ SALARIES
Selectmen $ 375.00
Town clerk 125.00
Tax collector 150.00
Treasurer 150.00
Auditors 10.00
Town clerk, auto permit fees, 390 @ 50c 195.00

$ 1,005.00

TOWN OFFICERS’ EXPENSES
N. H. Assessors’ Association, dues $ 3.00
N. H. Tax Collectors Association, dues 3.00
N. H. Town Clerks Association, dues 2.00
U. S. Truck Guide 7.00
Brown and Saltmarsh, supplies 1.34
James B. Griffin, officers' bonds 86.56
Officers attending meetings 83.10
Strafford National Bank, deposit box 3.00
Edson C. Eastman, supplies 27.75
Sargent Bros., tax bills 20.10
Meader's Flower Shop, spray, A. J. Thompson 10.00
Whiting Stationery Company, supplies 2.75
Officers' expenses 288.53

$ 538.13

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Ballot clerks $ 20.00
Geo. J. Foster Company, 300 ballots 7.00
Jeremiah Smith Grange, election dinners 15.00
Herman A. Randall, supervisor 12.00
John M. Conlon, supervisor 12.00
John M. Conlon, check lists 4.00

$70.00

TOWN HALL AND OTHER BUILDINGS

Melvin Crouse, flag rope $ 3.89
Ernest W. Menter, janitor 30.00

$ 33.89

POLICE

Gilman C. Menter, salary $ 20.00
FIRE PROTECTION

George A. Bennett, warden, Rochester meeting $ 9.24
George A. Bennett, warden, Nottingham meeting 25.14
Robert D. Willey, labor and parts 15.96
George A. Bennett, warden, fire at Wheelwright 60.50
Lee Volunteer Fire Department, reserve 500.00
Lee Volunteer Fire Department, appropriation 400.00

$ 1,010.84

BLISTER RUST

State Forester $ 400.00

DAMAGE BY DOGS

Wheeler and Clark, dog tags and book $ 15.52
Gilman C. Menter, dog officer's salary 25.00

$ 40.52

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Gilman C. Menter, salary $ 10.00

VITAL STATISTICS

Annie B. Piper, town clerk $ 10.25

TOWN MAINTENANCE

Herman B. Keniston $ 1,902.77

SNOW REMOVAL

Herman B. Kiniston $ 713.70
SANDING
Herman B. Keniston $ 366.80

SNOW FENCE
Herman B. Keniston $ 233.00

BRIDGES
Herman B. Keniston $ 47.00
Oliver Kennard, 1464 ft. 4-in. plank $ 95.16
$ 142.16

BUSHES
Herman B. Keniston $ 209.00

CULVERTS
Herman B. Keniston $ 643.13

GENERAL EXPENSES OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
R. C. Hazelton Co., blades and bolts $ 20.12
Lyons Iron Works 9.95
Eastern States, paint for plow 5.75
Ernest W. Menter, painting plow 12.00
James B. Walker, garage rent 60.00
Melvin Crouse, gas and oil 113.06
$ 220.88

LIBRARY
Appropriation and balance $ 228.58

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE
Town’s share, 25 per cent payments for year $ 1,081.71
TOWN POOR

Direct relief, medical and supplies $ 734.50

MEMORIAL DAY

Dover Veterans' Council, flags $ 10.00

ADVERTISING AND REGIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Seacoast Region $ 55.00

TAXES BOUGHT BY TOWN

Taxes bought by town $ 150.37

UNCLASSIFIED

George J. Foster, reports, notices $ 218.50
R. Carl Sanders, reimbursement, Head tax 5.81
Anna M. Morin, transfer cards and deed 21.80
Inez E. Bennett, reimbursement Head tax 39.99
George A. Bennett, warden, Mt. Shaw fire 147.00
Seavey Hardware Corp, padlock, chain 5.00
Arthur Wiggin, sign for town dump 6.50
Fred Saulnier, town dump 750.00
Ernest W. Menter, labor, town dump 29.75
State Highway, overdraft, T. R. A. 351.60

$ 1,575.95

INTEREST

Strafford National Bank $ 47.25

TOWN CONSTRUCTION

State of New Hampshire, T. R. A. $ 446.83

TEMPORARY LOAN

Strafford National Bank $ 3,000.00
COUNTY TAX
Leo Cormier, county treasurer, tax $2,137.16

HEAD TAX
State of New Hampshire $1,117.86

SCHOOL DISTRICT
School appropriation $20,000.00

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

Town officers' salaries $1,005.00
Town officers expenses 538.13
Election and registration 70.00
Town Hall and other buildings 33.89
Police 20.00
Fire protection 1,010.84
Blister rust 400.00
Damage by dogs 40.52
Health department 10.00
General Expenses of Highway department 220.88
Library 228.58
Old age assistance 1,081.71
Town poor 734.50
Memorial Day 10.00
Vital statistics 10.25
Town maintenance 1,902.77
Snow removal 713.70
Sanding 366.80
Snow fence 233.00
Bridges 142.16
Bushes 209.00
Culverts 643.13
Advertising and Regional Associations 55.00
Taxes bought by town 150.37
Unclassified 1,575.95
Interest 47.25
Town construction 446.83
Temporary loan 3,000.00
County tax 2,137.16
Head taxes 1,117.86
School appropriations 20,000.00

$38,155.28

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Cash on hand January 1, 1953 $19,412.48

Received from town clerk:
- Auto tax, 1952 24.58
- Auto tax, 1953 2,630.43
- Dog licenses 282.20
- Filing fees 5.00

State Treasurer:
- Road toll refund 15.60
- Class V 486.49
- Interest and dividends 710.87
- Savings bank tax 67.44
- Railroad tax .22
- Blister rust refund 1.90
- Yield tax refund 20.70
- Reimbursement Mt. Shaw fire 147.00

State Tax Commission:
- Head tax reimbursement 4.93

State Forestry, training session 17.69
U. S. Naval Base, combined charities 3.00
Oliver Kennard, lumber, town lot 3,350.00
Eastern States refund .09
Lee School District, printing reports 42.25
Town of Barrington, road work 339.90
Tax collector:
  Property taxes, 1953 31,220.76
  Poll taxes, 1953 402.00
  National bank stock 10.00
  Interest, 1953 1.24
  Advertising costs 20.45
  Yield taxes, 1953 1,246.94
  Property taxes, 1952 1,934.77
  Poll taxes, 1952 50.00
  Interest, 1952 64.12
  Redemptions, tax, costs and interest 54.36
  Head taxes and penalties, 1952 143.00
  Head taxes and penalties, 1953 1,246.50
Library appropriation balance 28.58

$63,985.49

EXPENDITURES
Paid orders of selectmen $38,155.28
Cash on hand January 1, 1954 25,830.21

$63,985.49

FLORENCE F. CALDWELL,
Treasurer.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Received from 1952 auto permits $ 24.58
Received from 1953 auto permits 2,630.43
Received for dog licenses 304.00
Received for filing fees 5.00

Total $ 2,964.01
Less fees for dog licenses 21.80

$ 2,942.21

Paid treasurer for auto permits 2,655.01
Paid treasurer for dog licenses 282.20
Paid treasurer for filing fees 5.00

Totals $ 2,942.21

Dec. 31, 1953

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TAX COLLECTOR’S WARRANT

SUMMARY OF WARRANT

Property, Poll and Yield Taxes

LEVY OF 1953

Dr.

Taxes committed to collector:

- Property taxes $33,667.90
- Poll taxes 466.00
- National bank stock taxes 10.00

Total warrant $34,143.90

Yield taxes 2,152.50

Added taxes:

- Property taxes 192.50
- Poll taxes 4.00
- Interest collected 1.24

Total debits $36,494.14

Cr.

Remittances to treasurer:

- Property taxes $31,220.76
- Poll taxes 402.00
National bank stock taxes  
Yield taxes  
Interest collected  
Abatements  
Uncollected taxes as per collector's list: 
  Property taxes  
  Poll taxes  
  Yield taxes  

Total credits $36,494.14

STATE HEAD TAX, LEVY OF 1953

Dr.

State Head taxes committed to collector:
  Original warrant $1,440.00
  Added taxes 15.00

Total commitment $1,455.00
Penalties collected 1.50

Total debits $1,456.50

Cr.

Remittances to treasurer:
Head taxes $1,245.00
Penalties 1.50
Abatements 25.00
Uncollected Head taxes as per collector's list 185.00

Total credits $1,456.50

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS
As of Dec. 31, 1953

Dr.

Tax sales on account of levies of:
  1952 1951

Taxes sold to town during current fiscal year $150.37
Balance of unredeemed taxes
January 1, 1953  $10.94
Interest collected after sale .25

| Total debits | $150.62 | $10.94 |

Remittances to treasurer
during year  $54.36
Unredeemed taxes at close of
year  96.26  $10.94

| Total credits | $150.62 | $10.94 |

UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX SALES

On Account of Levies of:

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$96.26  $10.94

The foregoing is a correct list of all money paid treasurer during the fiscal year of 1953, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

INEZ E. BENNETT,
Tax Collector.

STATE HEAD TAX, LEVY OF 1952

Dr.

| Uncollected taxes as of Jan. 1, 1953 | $175.00 |
| Penalties collected during 1953 | 13.00 |

Total debits  $188.00

Cr.

Remittances to treasurer during 1953:

Head taxes  $130.00
Penalties 13.00
Abateaments during 1953 40.00
Uncollected Head taxes as per collector’s list 5.00

Total credits $188.00

STATE HEAD TAX LEVY OF 1951

Uncollected taxes as of Jan. 1, 1953 $ 15.00
Abateaments during 1953 15.00

PROPERTY, POLL AND YIELD TAXES.

LEVY OF 1952

Dr.

Uncollected taxes as of Jan. 1, 1953:
   Property taxes $ 1,943.52
   Poll taxes 64.00

Total warrant $ 2,007.52
Interest collected during fiscal year ending
   December 31, 1953 64.12
   Adv. and sales costs 20.45

Total debits $ 2,092.09

Cr.

Remittances to treasurer during fiscal year ending December 31, 1953:
   Property taxes $ 1,934.77
   Poll taxes 50.00
   Interest collected during year 64.12
   Adv. and sales costs 20.45
   Abateaments made during year 20.75
Uncollected taxes as per collector’s list:
Poll taxes 2.00

Total credits $ 2,092.09

LEVY OF 1951
Uncollected poll taxes as of Jan. 1, 1953 6.00
Abatements made during year 6.00

REPORT OF ROAD AGENT
Herman B. Keniston
Received from town $ 4,210.56
Maintenance $ 1,902.77
Sandings 366.80
Snow fence 233.00
Snow removal 713.70
Bushes 209.00
Culverts 643.13
Bridges 142.16

$ 4,210.56

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES
Cash on hand, January 1, 1953 $ 28.58
Appropriation 200.00
Strafford Savings Bank 18.22

$ 246.80

Expenditures
N. H. Library Association $ 5.00
Whiting Stationery Co., books 84.05
Arthur T. White, magazines 24.49
Literary Guild Book Club, books 24.00
Sears Readers Club, books 1.13
Elizabeth George, librarian 40.00
Fred A. Chapman, substitute 10.00
Ernest W. Menter, janitor 25.00

$ 213.67

Cash on hand, January 1, 1954 $ 14.91
Strafford Savings Bank 18.22

$ 246.80

FLORENCE F. CALDWELL,
MARGARET V. ANGELL,
ETHEL D. THOMPSON,
Library Trustees.

NEW BOOKS FOR LIBRARY — 1953
The Bright Battalions
My Pride, My Folly
The Emperor's Lady
April Snow
The Case of the Smoking Chimney
O, What a Wonderful Wedding
The Galileans
The Velvet Doublet
In the West
Long, Long Ago
Bond of the Flesh
Round the Corner in Jay Street
Maughan's Choice of Kipling's Best
The Sojourners
Caravan to Xanadu
Captain Adam
The Singer, Not the Song
Beyond This Place
Readers Digest Condensed Books
The Fields of Home
The Short Novels of John Steinbeck
Only Parent
The Unconquered
The Old Man of the Sea
The Red and Black
Nature I Love
Star Money
For All Your Life
The Comanchers
Shadow Marriage
Desirie
The Juniper Tree
Air Bridge
Memoirs of Herbert Hoover
Golden Admiral
Fair Tomorrow
Steamboat Gothic
Traitor's Moon
Today Is Yours
Stephania
The Intruder
Seed of Mischief
As the Wheel Turns
Moby Dick
The Turning Wheels
Remember the Day
Love for Lydia
Good Morning, Young Lady
A Lady at Bay
The Laughing Stranger
One Eyed Witness
Hue and Cry
Life Among the Savages
Splendor of God
Lord Vanity
Time and Time Again
Life Worth Living
Battle Cry
Green Eyed Sister
The Devil's Laughter
The Whispering Pine
Fortune Is a Woman
Case of the Lazy Lover
Hollow Silver
Lighted Windows
Giant
East of Eden
Come, My Beloved
Books have also been given to the Library by Mrs. Ida Randall and Mrs. Mildred Michelini.
### Report of the Trust Funds of the Town of Lee, N. H., December 31, 1953

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| Total            | $18,650.93         | $500.00      | $19,352.92            | $2,929.45        | $570.41      | $408.42        | $3,082.44                     |

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**CERTIFICATE**

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

**Date Jan. 26, 1954**

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**WALTER W. PLUMMER,**

**FRANK I. CALDWELL,**

**GEORGE A. BENNETT,**

**Trustees,**
LEE FIRE DEPARTMENT
Financial Report for 1953
Operation and Maintenance Fund

Receipts
Balance, Jan. 1, 1953 $ 289.50
Received from town 400.00

Total $ 689.50

Expenses
Stamps and checks $  4.40
Care of truck 50.00
Operation and repairs 42.30
Heat (gas) 94.00
Electricity 23.17
Insurance 141.75
New equipment 17.95
Miscellaneous 4.11

$ 377.68

Balance in this fund Dec. 31, 1953 $ 311.82

Equipment Reserve Fund
Balance, Jan. 1, 1953 $  500.00
Interest received 6.69
Received from town 500.00

Balance in this fund, Dec. 31, 1953 $ 1,006.69

Membership and Contribution Fund
Receipts
Balance, Jan. 1, 1953 $ 183.87
Dues received 36.00

Total $ 219.87

Expenses

$ 29.36

Balance in this fund, Dec. 31, 1953 $ 190.51

J. KENNETH O'LOANE, Treasurer.
BUDGET FOR 1954

Operation and Maintenance:
Care of truck $ 50.00
Operation and repairs 50.00
Heat 100.00
Electricity 25.00
Insurance 140.00
New equipment, repairs 35.00

Total $ 400.00
Reserve for new truck 500.00

We have examined the above and found it to be correct.

AARON W. CHADBOURN, JR.,
JOHN M. CONLON,
Auditors of Lee.

LEE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

1953 Report

During 1953 the Fire Department responded to a total of fifteen calls. Of these eleven were in town, two in Durham, one in Madbury and one in Newmarket. Since seven of these were brush fires, more care is needed, especially during the summer months.

Considerable work was done during the year on the insulation of the new section of the fire house.

Plans for digging out a water hole in the swamp to the rear of the fire station are being made. It is hoped that this will give a sufficient supply of water nearer the center of the town, and nearer the fire station.

The second Thursday in each month is the regular meeting night of the fire department. Refreshments, paid for out of the dues paid by the firemen and from
contributions, are served at each meeting.

Every able-bodied man in town is welcome to membership. Dues are two dollars a year, of which one goes for refreshments, and one for insurance. Application for membership may be made to any officer of the department.

Fire Department officers for 1954 are:
Chief, Lloyd Stevens, Newmarket, 56-2.
First Deputy, Samuel Taylor, Newmarket, 328-13.
Second Deputy, Everett Sackett, Dover 293-14.
Captain, Melvin Crouse, Newmarket, 328-12.
Secretary-Treasurer, Kenneth O'Loane, Newmarket, 328-5.

Directors: Robert Keniston, Newmarket, 65-12; Carl Sanders, Newmarket, 61-14; Charles Piper, Epping, 2464.

The telephone company has agreed upon a special ring in case of fire. Effective Jan. 1, 1954, the ring is to be one long — about five seconds, so as to be definitely longer than a ring for central — on either Newmarket 328, or Dover 293. If central in Newmarket is called she will also inform Dover, and vice versa. Durham and Epping centrals will both send the call to Newmarket and Dover.

In reporting a fire, be sure to tell the operator where the fire is. Some confusion has arisen with people on party lines calling in, and not giving the location of the fire.

LLOYD STEVENS,
Chief.
AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

We have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Road Agent, Trustees of the Trust Funds, Library Trustees, Town Clerk and the Treasurer of the Lee Volunteer Fire Department and find them correct.

AARON W. CHADBOURN, Jr.,
JOHN M. CONLON,
Auditors.

SUMMARY OF TIMBER YIELD TAX REIMBURSEMENT ACCOUNT, TOWN OF LEE

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<td>Tax loss 1953 a/c exemption</td>
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<td>growing wood and timber</td>
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<td>Excess 1953 yield taxes over 1953 tax loss</td>
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<td>Reimbursement by State a/c tax loss prior years*</td>
<td>135.72</td>
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<td>Amount to be retained in town treasury as reserve against future tax loss</td>
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*Amount to be paid to State as per letter, $135.72.
ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL BOARD, TREASURER

and

SUPERINTENDENT

for the

Year Ending June 30, 1953
SCHOOL OFFICERS

Moderator
RUSSELL ALLEN

Clerk
E. JEANNE HULL

Treasurer
HELEN B. MACRAE

Board of Education
EVERETT B. SACKETT, 1954
SAMUEL F. TAYLOR, 1955
JOHN J. HULL, 1956

Truant Officer
LLOYD F. STEVENS

Superintendent
CHESTER W. DOE

Auditors
AARON W. CHADBOURN, Jr. GUY W. ANGELL
REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board and Citizens of Lee:

Beginning July 1, 1954, the present school district of Lee will become united with Durham and Madbury in the new Oyster River Cooperative School District, No. 2, part of the Supervisory Union No. 56. Details of the reorganization are given in the school board’s report. Lee thus becomes a pioneer in an educational movement that will be the pattern for other groups of towns in New Hampshire.

For this year, the schools in Lee have been able to accommodate only five grades, as follows:

Town Hall School, Mrs. Mina M. Sanders, teacher;
Grade I, 14 pupils; Grade II, 17 pupils; Total 31
Center School, Mrs. Harriett H. Cross, teacher;
Grade III, 12 pupils; Grade IV, 10; Grade V, 10;
Total 32

Music, Mr. Frederick A. Johnson
Nurse-Teacher, Miss Myrtle Fletcher
Physical Education, Mrs. Ruth A. Holloway
Total 63

Tuition pupils attending outside include the following:

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Total 1 2 8 8 8 6 10 9 2 54

Expected to enter Grade I in September:

1954 . . . . 12
1955 . . . . 12
1956 . . . . 14
1957 . . . . 16
1958 . . . . 15
1952-1953 Honorable Mention Perfect Attendance

MARY STRACHAN

During the past 25 years that I have been your superintendent, Lee has progressed from three one-room "rural" schools of eight grades each to a system wherein each grade will have a teacher of its own, you will have a voice in managing your own high school, and your children will have the benefit of those advantages which only cooperative effort can provide. To all the devoted school board members, faithful teachers, conscientious school district officers and employees, solicitous parents, willing taxpayers, and young people who have grown up in the schools for the last quarter of a century, may I express my warm personal regards and gratitude for your helpfulness and patience. May you find the best in Life.

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER W. DOE,
Superintendent of Schools.

January 13, 1954.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

As on July 1, 1954, Lee becomes part of the Oyster River Cooperative School District, the school year 1953-54 is the last for the operation of the Lee School District. From a sentimental point of view it is sad to see the district merge with neighboring towns. The superior educational advantages which the new school will offer will, on the other hand, be warmly welcomed.

It being unnecessary to provide for 1954-55, no annual school meeting is needed for the Lee School District this spring, barring some unforeseen emergency.
The citizens of Lee should, however, take full advantage of their right to participate in the annual meeting of the Oyster River Cooperative District.

As provided by law, a budget hearing for the Cooperative District will have been before March 1. The proposed budget will be posted in each of the three town making up the district. Final action on the budget will be taken at the Cooperative District annual meeting, to be held sometime between March 1 and April 20.

In the future, after it is in full operation, it is the intention of the Cooperative School Board to publish an annual report to be circulated with the town reports. That has not been feasible this year.

EVERETT B. SACKETT.
JOHN J. HULL,
SAMUEL F. TAYLOR.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE LEE SCHOOL DISTRICT

For the Year Beginning July 1, 1952, and
Ending July 30, 1953

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<td>Tuition</td>
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**$23,003.79**
State supervisory tax 204.00
Other administrative salaries 74.66
Supplies and expense 123.15

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**Instruction**

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**Operation of School Plant**

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<td>Repairs and replacements</td>
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**Auxiliary Agencies**

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<td>High school tuition</td>
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<td>Special activities</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>636.45</strong></td>
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**Grand total**  $22,755.11

REPT SCHOOL TREAS ... 14 point ....... ... ...
Fiscal year Ending June 30, 1953
Cash on hand July 1, 1952   $ 471.40
Current appropriation       18,919.44
Balance of previous appropriation  602.58
State Aid                   2,386.17
Federal school lunch aid  
Received from tuition  

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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>$23,003.79</td>
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<td>Less school board orders paid</td>
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<td><strong>Balance on hand June 30, 1953</strong></td>
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HELEN B. MacRAE,  
District Treasurer.

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SCHOOL LUNCH FUND

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<td>Receipts from sale of lunches</td>
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<td>National School lunch</td>
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<td>District appropriation</td>
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<td>All other</td>
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<td>Balance on hand, June 30, 1953</td>
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MARY ELIZABETH JOHNSTON,  
School Lunch Chairman.

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AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and found them correctly cast.

AARON W. CHADBOURN, JR.,  
GUY W. ANGELL.  
Auditors.
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<th>Sex</th>
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<th>Maiden Name of Mother</th>
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Deaths Registered in the Town of Lee for the Year Ending December 31, 1953

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<td>W</td>
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<td>Isaac Benjamin Atherton</td>
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I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ANNIE B. PIPER, Town Clerk.