

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Town of Acushnet



1954



"Our Flag"

A good American shall always honor this Flag.



Town Records and Reports
OF THE
TOWN OFFICERS
OF
ACUSHNET
MASSACHUSETTS



FOR THE
Year Ending December 31st
1954

MELVER PRESS, ACUSHNET, MASS.

1955

In Memoriam

SELECTMAN

FRANK WARSOSKI

Died September 12, 1954

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

To the Citizens of the Town of Acushnet:

We submit herewith, our annual report for the year ending December 31, 1954.

The Board of Selectmen meetings are held every Monday evening at 7:30 P. M.

Organization

As a result of the Special Election held November 15, 1954, in which Mr. Clement St. Amand, Jr. was elected Selectman, the Board of Selectmen re-organized, and Mr. Ustus Arbogast was elected Chairman of the Board.

Miss Mary Viera was restored to her former position as Clerk of the Board of Selectmen.

Remarks

The State Auditor's report was completed for the period January 1, 1953 to November 6, 1954. This Board feels much concern over the drop in the Cash Bank Balance during the past two years. We shall make every effort to hold the present Bank Balance. There are many improvements needed in our town due to the new construction now going on.

During the year of 1954, the press was admitted to the Selectmen's meetings, and as a result of continuous complaints from the people that came before the Board who did not want their names published, the Board felt that it was in the best

interest of the town to bar the press and carry on the same as we had in the past years.

We wish to thank the Citizens and all the Town Departments for their cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

USTUS ARBOGAST

CLEMENT ST. AMAND, JR.

HENRY L. GUILBEAULT

Board of Selectmen

TOWN OFFICERS—1954-1955

TOWN CLERK, TREASURER-COLLECTOR

Allan L. Rawcliffe	Term Expires 1957
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BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND PUBLIC WELFARE

Frank Warsoski (Deceased September 12, 1954)	Term Expires 1955
Clement St. Amand, Jr. (Elected November 15, 1954)	Term Expires 1955
Henry L. Guilbeault	Term Expires 1956
Ustus Arbogast	Term Expires 1957

BOARD OF ASSESSORS

William Fawcett	Term Expires 1955
Edward Dessert	Term Expires 1956
Rudolph Henry Urbanek	Term Expires 1957

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Gerard Charest	Term Expires 1955
William Fawcett, Jr.	Term Expires 1956
Harold Bates	Term Expires 1957

BOARD OF HEALTH

Clement St. Amand, Jr.	Term Expires 1955
Louise F. Taber	Term Expires 1956
Sylvano Frates	Term Expires 1957

COMMISSIONERS OF TRUST FUNDS

Donald P. Lowe	Term Expires 1955
Ovila Boule	Term Expires 1956
Vacant	Term Expires 1957

TRUSTEES OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Walter Craven	Term Expires 1955
Georgette A. Owen	Term Expires 1956
Frances E. Gifford	Term Expires 1957

CEMETERY BOARD

James M. Tripp	Term Expires 1955
Arthur L. Tripp	Term Expires 1956
Robert E. Parker	Term Expires 1957

TREE WARDEN

Antonio Boisclair	Term Expires 1955
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MODERATOR

Elton A. Ashley	Term Expires 1955
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PARK COMMISSIONERS

Arthur J. Saucier	Term Expires 1955
Ernest D. Boisvert	Term Expires 1956
Edward Hall	Term Expires 1957

ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION—MARCH 1, 1954

Voters per Annual Register February 9, 1954:

Precinct I		
Men	425	
Women	425	
	<hr/>	850
Precinct II		
Men	549	
Women	535	
	<hr/>	1084
Precinct III		
Men	169	
Women	167	
	<hr/>	336
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		2270

VOTES CAST

Precinct I	688
Precinct II	845
Precinct III	282
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Total	1815

TOWN CLERK, TREASURER-COLLECTOR Three Years

	Precinct			Total
	I	II	III	
Allan L. Rawcliffe	556	679	246	1481
Blanks	132	166	36	334
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	688	845	282	1815

SELECTMEN, MEMBER OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE**Three Years**

Ustus Arbogast	433	563	217	1213
Amedee Gautreau	225	237	54	516
Paul Renauld	21	38	8	67
Blanks	9	7	3	19
	<hr/> 688	<hr/> 845	<hr/> 282	<hr/> 1815

ASSESSOR**Three Years**

Charles E. Lame	297	359	113	769
Rudolph Henry Urbanek	362	442	148	952
Blanks	29	44	21	94
	<hr/> 688	<hr/> 845	<hr/> 282	<hr/> 1815

TREE WARDEN**One Year**

Antonio Boisclair	514	638	210	1362
Charles O. Preece	0	1	0	1
Blanks	174	206	72	452
	<hr/> 688	<hr/> 845	<hr/> 282	<hr/> 1815

SCHOOL COMMITTEE**Three Years**

Harold Bates	411	408	47	866
Andrew G. Perkins	210	348	221	779
Blanks	67	89	14	170
	<hr/> 688	<hr/> 845	<hr/> 282	<hr/> 1815

BOARD OF HEALTH**Three Years**

Sylvano Frates	533	653	208	1394
Blanks	155	192	74	421
	<hr/> 688	<hr/> 845	<hr/> 282	<hr/> 1815

COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS**Three Years**

Raymond Gonneville	0	1	0	1
Earle C. Burt	0	1	1	2
Thomas Dickinson	0	1	0	1
Louise Taber	0	0	1	1
Ernest Gautreau	0	0	1	1
Oliver Santos	0	0	1	1
Ralph Macomber	0	0	1	1
Fagundes	1	0	0	1
Meunier	1	0	0	1
Poyant	1	0	0	1
Blanks	685	842	277	1804
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	688	845	282	1815

TRUSTEE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY**Three Years**

Frances E. Gifford	485	611	220	1316
Fagundes	1	0	0	1
Blanks	202	234	62	498
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	688	845	282	1815

CEMETERY BOARD**Three Years**

Robert E. Parker	481	615	223	1319
Herve J. Bertrand	0	2	0	2
Blanks	207	228	59	494
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	688	845	282	1815

MODERATOR**One Year**

Elton A. Ashley	259	329	154	742
Harry M. Hopwood	172	117	12	301

Joseph J. St. Don	180	324	102	606
Blanks	77	75	14	166
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	688	845	282	1815

PARK COMMISSIONER**Three Years**

Edward Hall	504	601	208	1313
Robert C. Allain	0	1	0	1
Blanks	184	243	74	501
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	688	845	282	1815

OFFICERS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Arthur Bergeron	Term Expires 1955
Sydney H. Burrell	Term Expires 1955
Frank Crandon	Term Expires 1955
Edward C. Allaire	Term Expires 1956
Ralph W. Hunt	Term Expires 1956
Manuel Resendes	Term Expires 1956
Arthur F. Howard, Jr.	Term Expires 1957
Dosithe Guillotte	Term Expires 1957
Amedee Pineau	Term Expires 1957

POLICE CHIEF AND CONSTABLE

James E. Hyde

DOG OFFICER

James E. Hyde

SERGEANT

Charles M. Gibbs

POLICE OFFICERS

Joseph Almeida <i>John Montrose</i>	Stefan S. Orlowski
Harold E. Bamber, Jr.	Earle F. Parker
Roland Bourgeois	Arthur Sander <i>Servicio</i>
Sylvano Frates	Harry Swift <i>Lugue City</i>
Joseph Lapierre	William C. Westgate, Jr. <i>Elizabethton</i>
Roland Lecuyer	Harold Wood
Frederick P. Morton	

RESERVE POLICE OFFICERS

List of Reserve Police Officers contains 41 names

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Conrad H. Gauttier

FOREST WARDEN

Conrad H. Gauttier

INSPECTOR OF GARAGES

Conrad H. Gauttier

BURIAL AGENT

Conrad H. Gauttier

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Theophile Cote, Jr.	Term Expires 1955
Napoleon G. Poisson	Term Expires 1956
Arthur G. LeBlanc	Term Expires 1957

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Mary Viera	Term Expires 1955
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INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

Valerie Bourque	Resigned Dec. 1, 1954
Joseph Melancon	Term Expires 1955

INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Richard H. Barry	Resigned Dec. 31, 1954
William C. Vander, Jr.	Term Expires 1955

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Henry O. Saucier

INSPECTOR OF PETROLEUM

Henry O. Saucier

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS AND MOTHS

Bento DeMello

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Otis J. Tripp

VETERAN'S AGENT

Edward Charest

PUBLIC WEIGHERS

Horace R. Coupe

Arthur L. Gaudreau

John F. Hatch, Jr.

Samuel F. Stowell, Jr.

John Prodouz

ELECTION OFFICERS

Precinct I

Henry O. Saucier

Blanche Meunier

Doris L. Chandler

Eva Linhares

Mildred G. Mellor

Sarah Hyde

Warden

Inspector

Inspector

Inspector

Inspector

Clerk

Precinct II

Cecilia Lapalme

Louise Norton

Aurore Almeida

William J. Boucher

James H. McDonnell

Jacqueline B. Allain

Warden

Clerk

Inspector

Inspector

Inspector

Inspector

Precinct III

Joseph E. Vargas

Olive S. Laycock

Martha B. Perkins

Maria A. Leconte

Abby B. Ellis

Lucy M. Westgate

Emily H. Dunbar

Warden

Inspector

Inspector

Inspector

Inspector

Inspector

Clerk

JURY LIST

The following is a list of jurors submitted by the Board of Selectmen in accordance with Chapter 234 of the General Laws:

Gerard W. Belanger, 54 Main Street	Foreman
Abel E. Plaud, 235 Main Street	Linotypist
Emil Gentilhomme, 28 So. Main Street	Weaver
Eugene F. Tetreault, 27 Rock Street	Mill Worker
Arthur J. Provost, 204 So. Main Street	Loomfixer
Albert T. Dansereau, 32 Slocum Street	Smashpiecer
Raymond Lapalme, 6 Grant Street	Construction Worker
George Doucette, 100 Main Street	Carpenter
Bernard Gaudette, 107 So. Main Street	Caterer
Francisco Souza, 203 So. Main Street	Musician
William E. Mainville, 112 John Street	Foreman
Nellie Smith, 265 Hamlin Street	Housewife
Louise Norton, 46 Middle Road	Housewife
Armand Cournoyer, 199 So. Main Street	Scheduler
Joseph E. M. Boisclair, 40 Prouteau Street	Laundryman
Louis Gaudette, 107 So. Main Street	Caterer
William C. Arnold, 656 Main Street	Retired
Albert Bergeron, 191 So. Main Street	Manager
Edwin E. Brackett, 107 Main Street	Gas Station Attendant
Mario Cardoza, 73 Pembroke Avenue	Salesman
Frank Gularte, 161 Lawson Avenue	Maintenance Man
Wilfred LaFleur, 40 Allen Street	Truck Driver
Eliza Robinson, 3 Noyer Street	Photographer
Ronald Waddington, 97 James Street	Loomfixer
Harry Crossley, 117 James Street	Decorator
Joaquim L. Coelho, 35 Coulombe Street	Musician
Clement St. Amand, Jr., 52 Garfield Street	Farmer
Aurèle Boissoneau, 189 So. Main Street	Garage Owner
Horace Gates Booker, 561 Main Street	Retired

William Bourgeois, 34 Slocum Street	Retired
Charles K. Beals, 99 So. Main Street	Superintendent
Arsene Cusson, 20 Main Street	Fireman
Walter Craven, 15 Nye Avenue	Third Hand
George Lecuyer, 71 So. Main Street	Farmer
Arthur G. LeBlanc, 56 So. Main Street	Salesman
Arthur Lambert, 32 Slocum Street	Retired
Thomas Norwood, 46 Wing Road	Mill Worker
Napoleon G. Poisson, 15 St. Lawrence St.	Brewery Worker
John Pimental, 48 Jean Street	Produce Man
James Lawson, 63 Cushman Street	Laborer
Charles M. Gibbs, 36 Jean Street	Receiver
Vilmer Adrien Guillette, 16 Grant Street	Bartender
Joaquim Santos, 36 LeBoeuf Street	Sodaman
Joseph Francis, 38 LeBoeuf Street	Mill Worker
Donald E. Hinckley, 77 Slocum Street	Rubber Tester
Joseph Dabrowski, 98 Main Street	Manager

PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Citizens of the Town of Acushnet:

The Board of Public Welfare herewith submits its report of expenditures during the year ending December 31, 1954.

Annual Appropriation		\$2,600.00
	Expenditures:	
Groceries	\$ 74.98	
Fuel	10.00	
Medicine and Medical Attendance	13.92	
Paid to Other Cities and Towns	1,534.51	
	<hr/>	1,633.41
Unexpended Balance		966.59
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		\$2,600.00

There were Two Acushnet settled cases aided during the year.

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Transferred from E. and D.		\$ 6,000.00
U. S. Grants: Aid to Dependent Children		7,714.95
U. S. Grants: Aid to Dependent Children Adm.		2,201.95
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		\$15,916.90
	Expenditures:	
Cash Grants	\$11,117.85	
Telephone, Supplies, Travel Expense	672.54	
Administration	1,249.97	
	<hr/>	\$13,040.36
Unexpended Balance, Town Appropriation		2,554.85
Unexpended Balance, U. S. Grants		42.25
Unexpended Balance, U. S. Grants Adm.		279.44
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		\$15,916.90

There were a total of 9 cases aided through Aid to Dependent Children during the year.

DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

Annual Appropriation	\$ 5,000.00
U. S. Grants: Disability Assistance	8,888.62
U. S. Grants: Disability Assistance Adm.	508.01
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	\$14,396.63

Expenditures:

Cash Grants.	\$10,211.70	
Administration	663.00	
	<hr/>	\$10,874.70
Unexpended Balance, Town Appropriation		2,709.66
Unexpended Balance, U. S. Grants		812.27
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		\$14,396.63

There were 16 cases aided through Disability Assistance during the year.

USTUS ARBOGAST

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HENRY L. GUILBEAULT

Board of Public Welfare.

REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

There were 105 cases which received Old Age Assistance during the year. Of this amount 69 cases were Acushnet settled, 19 cases had settlements in other Cities and Towns, and 17 were State settled.

Annual Appropriation	\$17,000.00
Transferred from E. and D.	20,000.00
U. S. Grants: Old Age Assistance	42,821.84
U. S. Grants: Old Age Assistance Adm.	1,783.55
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	\$81,605.39

Expenditures:

Cash Grants	\$71,538.45	
Paid to Other Cities and Towns	2,035.28	
Administration	2,896.40	
Office Supplies, Telephone, Legal		
Fees, Travel Expense	121.45	
	<hr/>	\$76,591.58
Unexpended Balance, Town Appropriation		1,506.93
Unexpended Balance, U. S. Grants		3,506.88
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		\$81,605.39

USTUS ARBOGAST

CLEMENT ST. AMAND, JR.

HENRY L. GUILBEAULT

Bureau of Old Age Assistance.

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Taxes

Current Year:

Real Estate	\$115,229.34
Personal	21,399.00
Polls	2,546.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	24,599.49

Previous Years:

Motor Vehicle Excise	2,865.09
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\$166,638.92

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Income Tax	\$ 9,720.00
Corporation Tax, Business	18,605.29
Old Age Meal Tax	2,007.13
School Aid, Chapter 70 G. L.	35,818.36
School Transportation	8,587.50
Vocational Education	5,263.20
Veteran's Services	1,806.88
Peddler's License	10.00
Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,438.66

83,257.02

County of Bristol:

Chapter 90 Maintenance	1,438.66
Dog Licenses	1,269.60
Dog Fund	752.39
Dog Claims	46.00

3,506.65

Sale of Tax Title Possessions

235.00

Tax Title Redemptions

833.10

Water Rates and Services

19,011.27

Miscellaneous Water Rates and Services

50.50

Water Main Extensions

8,680.93

Licenses:

Alcoholic	6,550.00	
Common Victuallers	60.00	
Special Malt Beverage	15.00	
Sunday Entertainment	454.00	
Milk	19.50	
Sunday	55.00	
Oleomargarine	8.00	
Dance	3.75	
Trailer Park	205.00	
Registration of Petroleum	11.00	
Junk	36.00	
Slaughter	10.00	
Motor Vehicle Agent's and Seller's	20.00	
Used Car Dealer's,		
Class II and Class III	282.00	
Pasteurization	30.00	
Ammunition	5.00	
Auctioneer's	5.00	
Automatic Amusements	160.00	
	<hr/>	7,929.25

Treasurer and Collector:

Interest on Taxes	72.83	
Interest and Costs on Tax Titles	81.22	
Refund of Collector's Bond	194.28	
Certification of Municipal Liens	4.00	
Advertising Taxes	1.40	
	<hr/>	353.73

Town Clerk:

Street and Voting Lists	17.50	
Reporting Congenital Deformities	2.50	
	<hr/>	20.00

Board of Health:

Meat Inspection Fees		221.00
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Police Department:

Pistol Permits	10.50	
Bicycle Registrations	1.25	
	<hr/>	11.75

Fire Department:

L. P. Gas & Fuel Oil Permits	27.50	
Telephone Toll Calls	5.35	
	<hr/>	32.85

Sealer of Weights and Measures:

Sealer's Fees		54.60
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Library:

Library Fines		49.00
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Building Department:

Building Permits		286.00
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Schools:

Tuition	145.35	
Damages to School Property	5.50	
	<hr/>	150.85

Water Department:

Refund of Payment		2.45
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Charities:

U. S. Grants:

Old Age Assistance	31,694.39
Old Age Assistance Adm.	1,318.04
Aid to Dependent Children	5,668.83
Aid to Dependent Children Adm.	1,334.35
Disability Assistance	5,077.64
Disability Assistance Adm.	274.46

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Old Age Assistance	23,377.75
Aid to Dependent Children	3,219.87
Disability Assistance	2,502.73
Disability Assistance Adm.	137.24

Cities and Towns:

Old Age Assistance	2,245.04	
	<hr/>	76,850.34
Old Age Assistance Recoveries		5,964.05
Disability Assistance Recoveries		154.00

Miscellaneous:

Interest on Treasurer's Cash	1,579.96
Sewer Pumping Charges	150.00
Sewer Installations	246.09
Long Plain Cemetery	160.00
Post War Rehabilitation Fund	1,375.00
Police Special Account	150.00
Unclaimed Checks	4.75
Federal Tax Deductions	16,277.50
Blue Cross and Blue Shield Deductions	969.00
Teacher's Retirement Fund	4,013.45
Bristol County Retirement Fund	3,329.51
Trust Funds:	

Sylvia P. Manter Fund	3,650.11	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	515.51	
Russell Public School Fund	161.80	
Cemetery Beautification and		
Extra Care Fund	60.50	
Russell Protestant Poor Fund	22.00	
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		4,409.92

Total Receipts for 1954	<hr/>	\$406,958.44
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CLASSIFICATION OF PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Moderator	\$ 20.00	
Town Reports and Warrants	678.85	
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Selectmen:		
Salaries: Board of Selectmen and Public Welfare	\$1,812.35	
Settlement of Court Case, Clerk, Public Welfare	1,964.17	
Settlement of Land Taken by Eminent Domain	500.00	
Legal Fees	1,623.00	
Clerical	163.94	
Fire Station Plans	100.00	
Equipment, Supplies, Postage, and Telephone	416.04	
	<hr/>	\$ 6,579.50
Town Accountant:		
Salary	\$ 943.28	
Printing	36.60	
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Elections and Registrations:		
Election Officers	\$ 947.50	
Election Expenses	60.00	
Registrars	611.00	
Printing, Supplies, Postage	122.12	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,740.62
Treasurer and Collector:		
Treasurer	\$4,160.00	
Clerical	2,388.82	

Equipment, Supplies, Postage and Printing	1,591.09	
Surety Bonds	483.40	
Tax Title Takings and Redemptions	123.10	
Telephone	182.25	
Insurance, Sealer of Weights and Measures	12.15	
Safe Deposit Box	7.50	
Burglary Insurance	28.25	
Association Dues	4.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 8,980.56

Town Clerk:

Salary	\$ 113.00	
Recording Fees	7.50	
Equipment, Supplies, Postage and Printing	665.70	
Fees for Recording Vital Statistics	235.00	
Surety Bond	7.80	
Association Dues	7.50	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,036.50

Assessors:

Salaries	\$1,600.00	
Clerical	2,042.70	
Equipment, Supplies, Postage and Printing	544.99	
Recording Conveyances of Land and Probate Records	105.32	
Association Dues	9.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 4,302.01

Town Hall:

Janitor	\$ 762.30	
Fuel	1,400.62	
Lights and Water	420.73	
Repairs and Supplies	817.02	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,400.67

Police Department:

Chief's Salary	\$2,938.00	
Officers	2,034.10	
Postage and Printing	32.72	
Association Dues	3.00	
Telephone	241.51	
Gasoline and Repairs	499.53	
Equipment and Supplies	15.80	
Laundry	1.95	
	<hr/>	\$ 5,766.61

Police—Special Account:

Wages		150.00
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Fire Department:

Chief's Salary	\$2,938.00	
Firemen	1,143.50	
Office and Station Expenses	49.17	
Telephone	237.73	
Siren	24.00	
Insurance	118.75	
Equipment	678.72	
Advertising for Bids	5.92	
Gasoline, Repairs and Garage Rent	573.00	
Association Dues	5.00	
First Aid Supplies	23.85	
	<hr/>	\$ 5,797.64

Purchase of Fire Apparatus:

Fire Truck and Patrol Truck		13,485.00
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Sealer of Weights and Measures:

Sealer's Salary	\$ 206.62	
Equipment	18.38	
	<hr/>	\$ 225.00

Building Department:

Inspector's Salary		450.00
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Wire Department:

Inspector's Salary	\$ 450.00	
Printing	49.55	
	<hr/>	\$ 499.55

Nurse:		
Salary		2,234.00
Dog Fund:		
Board and Disposal of Dogs	\$ 69.50	
Printing and Postage	9.50	
	<hr/>	\$ 79.00
Long Plain Cemetery:		
Care of Lots		286.50
Board of Health:		
Salaries	\$ 225.00	
Office Equipment and Supplies	104.05	
Medical Attendance and Supplies	24.00	
Telephone	91.50	
Board and Care	875.50	
Transportation	22.40	
Premature Births	384.00	
Garbage Collection	900.00	
Burial of Animals	12.00	
Physician's Salary	600.00	
Meat Inspection Fees	228.50	
Dental Clinic	557.75	
Oleomargarine, Dairy and Store		
Licenses	33.04	
	<hr/>	\$ 4,057.74
Sewer Pumping Charges:		
Paid to City of New Bedford		150.00
Animal Inspector's Salary		115.00
Highway Department:		
Superintendent	\$ 3,355.00	
Laborers	20,800.93	
Hire of Equipment	1,915.00	
Road Oil, Tar Mix, Sand, Gravel	4,050.78	
Tools and Equipment	1,671.57	
Gasoline, Oil, Repairs and		
Registrations	2,963.04	
Street Layout	50.00	

First Aid Supplies	12.50	
Lights	12.05	
Freight	10.09	
	<hr/>	\$34,840.93
Chapter 90 Maintenance:		
Superintendent	88.00	
Laborers	687.28	
Tar Mix	253.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,028.28
Street Lights		2,711.61
Street Layouts:		
Homestead Street		100.00
Injuries to Highway Employees:		
Paid to Individuals	\$1,129.95	
Medical	530.00	
Hospital	132.55	
Legal Fees	300.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,092.50
Dutch Elm Disease:		
Trimming and Cutting Trees		375.00
Public Welfare:		
Groceries	\$ 74.98	
Fuel	10.00	
Medicine	13.92	
Paid to Other Cities and Towns	1,534.51	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,633.41
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Cash Grants	\$11,117.85	
Telephone, Supplies, Travel Expense	672.54	
Administration	1,249.97	
	<hr/>	\$13,040.36
Old Age Assistance:		
Cash Grants	\$71,538.45	
Paid to Other Cities and Towns	2,035.28	
Administration	2,896.40	
Office Supplies, Telephone, Legal		
Fees, Travel Expense	121.45	
	<hr/>	\$76,591.58

Disability Assistance:

Cash Grants	\$10,211.70	
Administration	663.00	
	<hr/>	\$10,874.70

Veteran's Benefits:

Agent's Salary	\$ 374.94	
Cash Grants	3,344.00	
Fuel	127.19	
Hospital and Medical	391.08	
Eye Glasses	15.40	
Postage	3.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 4,255.61

Veteran's Memorial:

Freight		96.67
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Schools:

Superintendent	\$5,692.82	
Office Supplies and Equipment	501.29	
Truant Officer	125.00	
Telephones	582.25	
Travel Expenses	85.25	
Police Services	5.00	
First Aid Supplies and Advertising	44.34	
Teacher's Salaries	67,876.62	
Text Books and School Supplies	2,829.09	
Tuition	35,048.58	
Transportation	16,988.88	
Janitor's Salaries	11,766.30	
Fuel, Lights, Water	3,135.58	
Care of School Grounds	1,122.00	
Contract Work and Repairs	8,230.47	
Janitor's Supplies	365.90	
Furniture and Furnishings	434.94	
School Committee Dues and		
Travel Expenses	25.60	
Graduation Exercises	43.57	
	<hr/>	\$155,003.48

Christmas Decorations:

Supplies and Material	\$ 121.52	
Labor	20.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 141.52

Library:

Librarian	\$ 720.00	
Assistants	247.44	
Janitress	293.80	
Books and Periodicals	209.51	
Supplies and Advertising	29.71	
Petty Cash	5.00	
Fuel, Lights, Water	414.61	
Repairs	213.11	
Care of Grounds	200.00	
Janitress' Supplies	17.73	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,350.91

Parks:

Labor and Material	2,809.84
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Water Department:

Labor	\$5,788.34	
Clerk	260.00	
Supplies and Material	3,939.94	
Notes and Interest	4,874.00	
Water Paid to City of New Bedford	5,658.44	
Equipment and Repairs	214.87	
Gasoline and Kerosene	65.67	
Printing and Postage	18.40	
Freight	14.20	
	<hr/>	\$20,833.86

Water Main Extensions:

Contract Work	\$12,803.85	
Engineering Services	2,775.89	
	<hr/>	\$15,579.74

Miscellaneous:

Insurance on Public Buildings	1.081.66
Bristol County Dog Licenses	1 278.60
Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital	4.388.52
Pension Fund	4.131.15

Federal Deductions		16,277.50
Teacher's Retirement Fund		4,013.45
Bristol County Retirement Fund		3,329.51
Memorial Purposes		149.50
Mosquito Control		50.00
Blue Cross and Blue Shield Deductions		969.00
Post War Rehabilitation Fund:		
Interest on War Bonds		1,375.00
Agency Accounts:		
State Parks and Reservations		815.79
County Tax		9,940.66
State Audit		503.04
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds		200.00
Sylvia P. Manter Trust Fund		2,750.00
Trust Funds:		
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	\$ 272.87	
Russell Protestant Poor Fund	22.00	
Cemetery Beautification and Extra		
Care Fund	60.50	
Acushnet Cemetery Corporation Fund	42.64	
Russell Public School Fund	161.80	
Sylvia P. Manter Trust Fund	900.11	
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		\$ 1,459.92
Refunds:		
Real Estate Taxes, 1954	\$ 207.20	
Real Estate Taxes, 1953	88.00	
Real Estate Taxes, 1952	88.00	
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes, 1954	425.66	
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes, 1953	69.11	
Personal Taxes, 1954	1.20	
Poll Taxes, 1954	2.00	
Sewer Installations	182.05	
Water Rates and Services	100.71	
Sunday Entertainment License	50.00	
Building Permit	1.00	
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		\$ 1,214.93
Total Disbursements for 1954		<hr/>
		\$459,302.89

TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds: Cash and Securities:		
In Custody of Town Treasurer		\$92,622.04
Russell Fund for Care of Town Hall		
and Library	\$ 3,425.21	
Russell Public School Fund	7,183.91	
R. N. Swift Board of Health Fund	6,224.59	
Russell Protestant Poor Fund	12,881.25	
Henry H. Rogers Gift Fund	926.86	
Allen and Rhoda R. Russell		
Library Fund	8,183.39	
Russell Memorial Library		
Maintenance Fund	8,230.76	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	10,815.73	
Cemetery Additional Fund	1,120.36	
Cemetery Special Care Fund	403.39	
Acushnet Cemetery Corporation Fund	695.67	
Cemetery Beautification and		
Extra Care Fund	2,428.70	
Sylvia P. Manter Fund		
for Public Schools	30,102.22	
	<hr/>	\$92,622.04

MARY VIERA,

Town Accountant.

TOWN OF ACUSHNET — BALANCE SHEET

For the Year Ending December 31, 1954

<i>Assets</i>		<i>Liabilities</i>	
Cash	\$122,177.92	Unclaimed Checks	\$ 102.66
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes, 1953	318.66	Overlay Reserve	35,114.41
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes, 1954	2,223.57	Motor Vehicle Excise Revenue	2,542.23
Tax Titles:		Tax Title Revenue	1,501.84
Levy of 1952	258.10	Tax Title Receipts Reserved	4.19
Levy of 1953	523.60	Tax Title Possessions Revenue	7,470.50
Levy of 1954	720.14	Sale of Foreclosed Property Fund	2,517.42
Tax Title Possessions	7,470.50	Departmental Revenue	1,218.47
Accounts Receivable:		Water Revenue	174.75
Aid to Dependent Children	1,218.47	Water Surplus	10,960.07
Water Rates and Services	174.75	Surplus War Bonds	1,528.91
Appropriation Voted from Post War Fund—Highway Garage	4,000.00	Agency Accounts:	
State and County—		State and County Taxes	52.90
Chap. 90 Maintenance	685.52	Bristol County Dog Licenses	3.60
		Excess and Deficiency	64,154.45
		Civil Defense	601.59
		Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital	1,032.05
		Reserve for Appropriation from Post War	

	Fund	
	Ward Street Layout	4,000.00
	Belanger Street Layout	100.00
	Alter Grade, Part of Meadow Lane	100.00
	New York Avenue Layout	100.00
	Morningside Avenue Layout	50.00
	U. S. Grants: Disability	100.00
	U. S. Grants: Aid to Dep. Children	812.27
	U. S. Grants: Aid to Dep. Child. Adm.	42.25
	U. S. Grants: Old Age Assistance	279.44
	Survey of Public School System	3,506.88
		1,700.95
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		\$139,771.23

Debt Accounts

Net Funded or Fixed Debt \$ 42,000.00 Water Loan of 1952 \$ 42,000.00

Investment Accounts

Cash and Securities: War Bonds
In Custody of Treasurer \$ 69,721.58 Post War Rehabilitation Fund \$ 69,721.58

MARY VIERA,
Town Accountant

APPROPRIATIONS OF 1954

	<i>Appropriations</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Expended</i>
General Government:				
Moderator	\$ 20.00		\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
Town Clerk	113.00		113.00	113.00
Treasurer and Collector	4,160.00		4,160.00	4,160.00
Board of Selectmen and Public Welfare	1,900.00		1,900.00	1,812.35
Town Accountant	943.78		943.78	943.28
Assessors	1,600.00		1,600.00	1,600.00
Departmental Expenses:				
Selectmen and Town Accountant	3,682.42	\$1,881.50	5,563.92	5,563.92
Treasurer and Collector	4,934.24		4,934.24	4,820.56
Assessors	3,220.61		3,220.61	2,702.01
Town Clerk	923.50		923.50	858.63
Registrars of Voters	845.00		845.00	733.12
Town Hall	3,100.00	300.67	3,400.67	3,400.67
Police Department	5,500.00	280.00	5,780.00	5,766.61
Fire Department	5,803.00		5,803.00	5,797.64
Purchase of Fire Apparatus	13,500.00		13,500.00	13,485.00
Civil Defense	300.00	Bal. 301.59	601.59	none
Sealer of Weights and Measures	225.00		225.00	225.00

	<i>Appropriations</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Expended</i>
Moth Suppression	.....	1,547.00	1,547.00	none
Dutch Elm Disease	.....	750.24	750.24	375.00
Building Department	500.00		500.00	450.00
Wire Department	500.00		500.00	499.55
Long Plain Cemetery	300.00		300.00	286.50
Health and Sanitation:				
Board of Health Salaries	225.00		225.00	225.00
Board of Health	3,400.00	450.00	3,850.00	3,832.74
Inspector of Animals	115.00		115.00	115.00
Sewer Pumping Charges	150.00		150.00	150.00
Nurse	2,234.00		2,234.00	2,234.00
Dog Fund	150.00		150.00	79.00
Highway Department	17,000.00	18,000.00	35,000.00	34,840.96
Street Lights	3,400.00		3,400.00	2,711.61
Chapter 90 Maintenance	.....	4,500.00	4,500.00	1,028.28
Hospital and Medical Bills (Highway Department)	.....	2,094.50	2,094.50	2,092.50
Public Welfare	2,600.00		2,600.00	1,633.41
Disability Assistance	5,000.00		5,000.00	2,290.34
Aid to Dependent Children	.....	6,000.00	6,000.00	3,445.15
Old Age Assistance	17,000.00	20,000.00	37,000.00	35,493.07
Veteran's Benefits	3,500.00	755.61	4,255.61	4,255.61

	<i>Appropriations</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Expended</i>
Schools	140,750.00		140,750.00	140,498.14
Vocational High School	14,000.00	600.00	14,600.00	14,505.34
Library	1,800.00	Dog Fund: 752.39	2,552.39	2,350.91
Parks	.....	2,810.00	2,810.00	2,810.00
Memorial Purposes	150.00		150.00	149.50
Insurance on Public Buildings	1,081.66		1,081.66	1,081.66
Mosquito Control	50.00		50.00	50.00
Christmas Decorations	200.00		200.00	141.52
Water Department	.....	Water Surp. 12,783.67		
Water Department	.....	Water Rev. 17,500.00	30,283.67	20,833.86
Reserve Fund	.....	Overlay Res. 8,000.00	8,000.00	6,034.73

TREASURER'S REPORT
For the Year Ending December 31, 1954

<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Disbursements</i>
\$174,522.37	Balance January 1, 1954
19,526.36	January \$ 35,914.01
16,807.50	February 33,253.37
12,482.66	March 34,689.07
36,711.31	April 29,242.59
26,931.12	May 34,320.19
55,327.85	June 38,497.92
40,222.11	July 32,679.35
26,103.54	August 30,590.65
27,812.13	September 26,560.06
69,803.94	October 52,343.39
52,294.21	November 40,898.09
22,935.71	December 70,314.20
	Balance December 31, 1954 122,177.92
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\$581,480.81	\$581,480.81
Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash:	
Balance per Merchants National Bank	\$ 37,914.35
Cash:	
On hand	3,038.83
Safe Deposit National Time Account	77,487.41
New Bedford Institution for Savings	7,500.00
New Bedford Five Cents Savings	7,500.00
Fairhaven Institution for Savings	7,500.00
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	140,940.59
Outstanding checks	18,762.67
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	\$122,177.92
Cash Book Balance	\$122,177.92

TAX TITLE ACCOUNTS

Tax Titles 1954

Transferred from levy of 1954	\$ 467.60	
Taking—levy of 1954	264.20	
Interest, Charges, Fees and Costs	77.54	
	<hr/>	\$ 809.34
Redeemed	79.20	
Sold—Low Value Sale	7.20	
Foreclosed	2.80	
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1954	720.14	
	<hr/>	\$ 809.34

Tax Titles 1953

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$1,175.80
Redeemed	\$ 643.18	
Sold—Low Value Sale	7.92	
Foreclosed	1.10	
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1954	523.60	
	<hr/>	\$1,175.80

Tax Titles 1952

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$ 288.68
Redeemed	\$ 13.86	
Sold—Low Value Sale	7.92	
Foreclosed	8.80	
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1954	258.10	
	<hr/>	\$ 288.68

Tax Titles 1951

Outstanding January 1, 1954		\$ 117.07
Redeemed	\$ 60.19	
Sold—Low Value Sale	13.63	
Foreclosed	21.25	
Abated	22.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 117.07

Attest: ALLAN L. RAWCLIFFE,
Treasurer.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT
January 1—December 31, 1954

Real Estate 1954			
Committed	\$118,396.60		
Refunded	207.20		
	<hr/>		\$118,603.80
Collected	\$115,229.34		
Abated	2,642.66		
Added to Tax Titles	467.60		
Taking	264.20		
	<hr/>		\$118,603.80
Personal Property 1954			
Committed	\$ 21,465.60		
Refunded	1.20		
	<hr/>		\$ 21,466.80
Collected	\$ 21,399.00		
Abated	67.80		
	<hr/>		\$ 21,466.80
Polls 1954			
Committed	\$ 3,040.00		
Refunded	2.00		
	<hr/>		\$ 3,042.00
Collected	\$ 2,546.00		
Abated	496.00		
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Motor Vehicle Excise 1954			
Committed	\$ 27,595.41		
Refunded	425.66		
	<hr/>		\$ 28,021.07
Collected	\$ 24,599.49		
Abated	1,198.01		
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1954	2,223.57		
	<hr/>		\$ 28,021.07
Motor Vehicle Excise 1953			

Outstanding January 1, 1954	\$ 2,121.58	
Committed in 1954	1,238.07	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,359.65
Collected	\$ 2,642.49	
Abated	398.50	
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1954	318.66	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,359.65
Motor Vehicle Excise 1952		
Committed	\$ 222.60	
Collected	\$ 222.60	
Water Charges		
Outstanding January 1, 1954	\$ 416.52	
Committed	18,924.32	
Refunded	100.71	
	<hr/>	\$ 19,441.55
Collected	\$ 19,011.27	
Abated	255.53	
Outstanding Dec. 31, 1954	174.75	
	<hr/>	\$ 19,441.55

TRUST FUNDS

NAME OF FUND	Principal	Balance Jan. 1, 1954	Dividends Deposits	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1954
Long Plain Cemetery Addition	\$ 1,100.00	\$1,090.17	\$ 30.19	.....	\$1,120.36
Long Plain Cemetery Permanent Care	347.00	392.54	10.85	.....	403.39
Henry H. Rogers School Fund	2,500.00	901.90	24.96	.....	926.86
Philip H. Omev-Ruhamah H. Cottle	2,000.00	2,422.96	66.24	60.50	2,428.70
Allen and Rhoda R. Russell Library	7,591.60	7,962.92	220.47	.....	8,183.39
Russell Memorial Library Maintenance	7,447.22	8,009.00	221.76	.....	8,230.76
Russell Protestant Poor	9,912.00	12,555.61	347.64	22.00	12,881.25
Russell Public School	7,067.30	7,147.81	197.90	161.80	7,183.91
Russell Town Hall	3,000.00	3,332.94	92.27	.....	3,425.21
Russell Acushnet Cemetery Corp.	579.80	684.83	18.84	8.00	695.67
Sylvia P. Manter Public Schools	29,750.00	27,360.00	3,642.33	900.11	30,102.22
Post-War Rehabilitation	65,000.00	76,660.10	1,742.41	8,680.93	69,721.58

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

NAME OF FUND	Principal	Balance		Dividends Deposits	Withdrawn	Balance	
		Jan. 1, 1954	Dec. 31, 1954			Jan. 1, 1954	Dec. 31, 1954
Allen and White	\$ 200.00	\$ 205.35	\$ 5.68	\$ 5.00	\$ 206.03		
Ashley, Wm. A. and Edw. R.	150.00	151.62	4.18	4.00	151.80		
Blackmer, Herbert A.	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33		
Braley, Isaac V.	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33		
Braley, Thomas E.	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33		
Bumpus, Nathan	100.00	104.24	2.85	2.00	105.09		
Burt, Earle C. and Marion E.	100.00	101.38	2.79	3.00	101.17		
Burt, Joseph W.	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33		
Cathell, James	100.00	147.19	4.07	6.00	145.26		
Chadwick, Francis	75.00	75.76	2.08	2.00	75.84		
Chase, Earle D.	100.00	100.71	2.78	3.00	100.49		
Cory, Samuel, Jr.	100.00	146.33	3.99	4.00	146.32		
Cottle, Ruhamah H.	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33		
Davis, Mary S.	200.00	373.50	10.33	8.00	375.83		
Davis, Richard	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33		
Davis, Walter A.	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33		
Dunbar-Crompton Lot No. 52	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33		
Ellis, Capt. Ebenezer	75.00	75.76	2.08	2.00	75.84		
Fowler, John B.	200.00	355.48	9.83	8.00	357.31		

NAME OF FUND	Principal	Balance Jan. 1, 1954	Dividends Deposits	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1954
Geggatt, John	100.00	113.98	3.13	.....	117.11
Gifford, Clarence W.	100.00		101.17	.....	101.17
Hall-Fuller Lot No. 7	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33
Hamlin, James B.	200.00	475.85	13.10	4.00	484.95
Hammett, Capt. John M.	75.00	75.76	2.08	2.00	75.84
Hammett, Alice	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33
Harding, C. Lot No. 33	100.00	100.00	3.02	2.50	100.52
Haswell, Stephen S.	100.00	100.76	2.78	3.00	100.54
Hickey, Elizabeth Ann	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33
Jackson, Henry J.	200.00	200.00	6.04	5.00	201.04
Jenkins, William E.	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33
Keene, Hervey B.	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33
Leonard, Eben F.	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33
Leonard, Ebenezer	50.00	50.50	1.39	1.50	50.39
Mason, Reuben	200.00	207.56	5.74	5.00	208.30
Mendall, Ellis	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33
Merrick, Charles	100.00	102.64	2.79	2.64	102.79
Morse, Albert S., Jr.	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33
Morse, Alfred	100.00	100.72	2.78	3.00	100.50

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

NAME OF FUND	Principal	Balance	Dividends	Withdrawn	Balance
		Jan. 1, 1954			Dec. 31, 1954
Morse, Edward	200.00	208.31	5.76	5.00	209.07
Morse, Edward C.	23.75	24.00	.66	.75	23.91
Morse, George P.	75.00	75.76	2.08	2.00	75.84
Nye, Sally	100.00	158.67	4.32	4.00	158.99
Omey, Joseph C.	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33
Omey, Philip H.	150.00	152.09	4.21	3.00	153.30
Omey, William and Albert	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33
Parker, George J.	100.00	174.31	4.76	4.00	175.07
Parker, Jonathan and Lucy	100.00	129.48	3.57	7.00	126.05
Parris, George	100.00	.....	100.29	.....	100.29
Peirce, Samuel	150.00	288.22	7.98	10.00	286.20
Perry, Charles J.	100.00	104.23	2.87	5.00	102.10
Perry, H. and G. Barton	50.00	50.50	1.39	1.50	50.39
Perry, John S.	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33
Perry, Mary H.	600.00	612.93	16.96	24.00	605.89
Phipps, Henry G.	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33
Pierce, Samuel B.	150.00	153.87	4.23	5.00	153.10
Pratt, Sylvester	75.00	75.76	2.08	2.00	75.84
Reynolds, Luther	50.00	50.50	1.39	1.50	50.39

NAME OF FUND	Principal	Balance Jan. 1, 1954	Dividends Deposits	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1954
Reynolds, Luther and Job Haskins	100.00	118.15	3.20	4.00	117.35
Robinson, Benjamin	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33
Robinson, Thomas J.	50.00	50.50	1.39	1.50	50.39
St. Don, Joseph J., Lot No. 56	100.00	103.02	2.85	5.00	100.87
St. Don, Napoleon et ux, Lot No. 57	100.00	100.00	2.77	2.50	100.27
Sears, William	100.00	101.80	2.81	4.00	100.61
Sherman, Clara L.	25.00	25.24	.68	.75	25.17
Sherman, James B.	100.00	100.64	2.78	3.00	100.42
Soule, Herbert L.	100.00	101.08	2.79	3.87	100.00
Sylvia, Antone D.	50.00	50.50	1.39	1.50	50.39
Taber, Elizabeth	205.09	274.61	7.54	4.00	278.15
Taber, Jabez	200.00	203.17	5.61	5.00	203.78
Taber, Joseph	100.00	219.95	6.06	8.00	218.01
Taber, Mason	75.00	75.93	2.08	2.00	76.01
Taber, May L.	75.00	75.76	2.08	2.00	75.84
Taber, Pardon	75.00	105.60	2.86	4.00	104.46
Taber, Samuel	100.00	100.53	2.77	3.00	100.33
Taber, William	100.00	125.61	3.47	8.00	121.08
Taber, William D.	50.00	89.58	2.40	4.00	87.98
Thompson, Helen	100.00	100.56	2.77	3.00	100.33

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

NAME OF FUND	Principal	Balance Jan. 1, 1954	Dividends		Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1954
			Deposits			
Wellington, Fred E.	85.00	86.94	2.39		2.00	87.33
White, Benjamin (E. Side)	100.00	100.56	2.77		3.00	100.33
White, Benjamin (W. Side)	100.00	100.56	2.77		3.00	100.33
White, William	200.00	201.87	5.57		5.00	202.44
Wood, Mary S.	150.00	180.10	4.94		9.00	176.04
Wright, Susan Ann	100.00	100.56	2.77		3.00	100.33

SCHEDULE OF OUTSTANDING DEBT—December 31, 1954

Date of Loan	Notes Outstanding	Amount of Each Note	Rate of Interest	Loan		Total Outstanding
				Matures	1967	
Water Loan 1952	42	\$1,000.00	1.9%		1967	\$42,000.00

FIXED DEBT AND INTEREST

Water Loan 1952
Interest

\$4,000.00
798.00
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\$4,874.00

ALLAN L. RAWCLIFFE,
Treasurer

EXPENDITURES
TREASURER-COLLECTOR 1954

Appropriated		\$4,934.24
Expended:		
Clerical	\$2,388.82	
Telephone	182.25	
Association Dues	4.00	
Postage	415.05	
Surety Bonds	483.40	
Tax Bills, etc.	225.80	
Stationery and Supplies	437.08	
Equipment and Repairs	505.40	
Insurance on Standards	12.15	
Registry Recordings	20.25	
Storage Vault	7.50	
Safe and Burglary Insurance	28.25	
Low Value	23.84	
Delinquent Taxes	81.80	
Miscellaneous	4.97	
Unexpended Balance	113.68	
	<hr/>	\$4,934.24
Treasurer-Collector's Salary:		
Appropriated		\$4,160.00
Expended		\$4,160.00

Attest: A. L. RAWCLIFFE,
Treasurer-Collector

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT
Births, Marriage, and Deaths—1954

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

Total Number		622
In Acushnet	553	
In Other Municipalities	69	
	<hr/>	622
Resident	107	
Non-Resident	515	
	<hr/>	622
Male	318	
Female	304	
	<hr/>	622

AFFIDAVITS AND CORRECTIONS

40

MARRIAGE INTENTIONS

68

MARRIAGES

Total Number		69
In Acushnet	34	
In Other Municipalities	35	
	<hr/>	69

DEATHS

Total Number		106
In Acushnet	86	
In Other Municipalities	20	
	<hr/>	106
Resident	48	
Non-Resident	58	
	<hr/>	106
Male	61	
Female	45	
	<hr/>	106

The Town Clerk will furnish blanks for the returns of births

to parents, householders, physicians and registered officers
applying therefor.

DOG LICENSES

Total Number		538
Male	369	
Female	46	
Spayed Female	107	
Kennel (\$10.00)	12	
Kennel (\$25.00)	3	
Transfers	1	
	<hr/>	538

ALLAN L. RAWCLIFFE,
Town Clerk

RESIDENT BIRTHS—1954

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name of Child</i>	<i>Name of Parents</i>
Jan. 3	Alexander Thomas Paulino	Alexander S. and Dorothea Nathalie Haskins
4	Gerard Arthur Joseph Bergeron	Ovila J. and Georgette C. Guillothe
10	Thomas Daniel Charbonneau	Nernand Michael and Norma Irene Harrison
16	Norman Henry McCorkill	Henry J. and Dolores Simone Picard
17	Raymond Wayne Daffinee	Robert Howland and Vivian Leontein Morris
21	Dale Karen Gonsalves	Abel Conrad and Vivian Ruth Lapierre
23	Bonnie Jean Gwozdz	John and Josephine R. Otocky
29	Michelle Anne Cory	Alan J. and Shirley Mary Gaw
31	Michael Edwin Brackett	Edwin Ernest and Eleanor Louise Shanley
Feb. 10	Mary Anne Kut	Boleslaw and Helena Tenczar
13	Thomas Arnold Clark	Thomas Arnold and Ella Anthony Scott
14	Albert Henry Frates	Albert and Jeanne Pauline Tetreault
16	Mildred Hotte	Louis Millard and Hilda May Bates
17	Robert Richard Bichel	Joseph Maurice and Lydia Teves Leite
23	Louis Richard Guillette	Roland Arthur and Marjorie Irene Barhight
24	Kenneth Clark Hathaway	Kenneth Clark and Clara Emily Weigel
26	David Girard Laprade	Hector Joseph and Jeannette Girard
28	Michael Raymond Forand	Raymond Omer and Isabelle Lawson
Mar. 2	Brenda Jane Bertrand	Normand Lucien and Dorothy Theresa Vargos
2	Debra Ruth Enos	Arthur Phillip and Ruth Joyce Goguen

4	Gerard Charles Cusson	Olivier Leo and Estelle Claire Bertrand
10	Jerolyn Anne Deane	Jerome Richard and Ivy Agnes Holt
11	David Bruce Harpin	Norman Walter and Mary Frances Head
16	Marcelle Germaine Cormier	Oscar Joseph and Marie Aline Claire Masse
18	Janice Yvette Moraux	Edouard Alexis and Marie Juliette Bastarache
18	Stephen Pacheco	Antone and Alice Marks
27	Gary Robinson White	Donald Walter and Joan Louise Robinson
3	Ken Steven Urbanek	Rudolph Henry and Adela Sophie Steliga
6	Robert William Brodeur	Clement Phillip and Dorothy Estelle Bernard
14	Alice Teixeira	John and Beneveno Coutinho
21	Susan Dorothy Forgue	Joseph R. A. and Laurette Florence Brousseau
21	Julie Mae Girard	Nelson Adrian and Mildred Lucille LeBlanc
23	Suzanne Louise Lamarre	Roland Raymond and Marion Helen Crapo
23	Carol Emily Pepin	Eugene Omer and Aldina Jardin
25	Linda Louise Joly	Omer George and Joan Lois Lambert
26	Cathy Rita Breault	Henry C. and Rita Y. Richard
28	Craig Edward Parker	Allen Thurston and Shirley Jean Corey
May 1	Delores Rose Furtado Samanica	Antone Furtado and Mary Madeline Hardin
2	Raymond Castonguay	Raymond and Theresa Cabral
2	Kenneth August Rogers	Joseph and Kazmira Markowska
10	Lizbeth Theresa Morse	George Bradford and Virginia Gauthier
13	Paul Steven Orlowski	Chester and Jennie C. Tenczar

17 David Lapalme
 20 Roland Vernon St. Amand
 24 Ann-Marie Debra Turner
 29 Debra Ann Curran
 June 3 Cynthia Clarisse Vieira
 5 Edward Thomas Lecuyer
 13 David Michael Ellis
 15 Robert David DeMello
 16 Alan Leslie Herr
 19 Gary Richard Donaghy
 19 Raymond Herbert Reynolds
 19 Louise Maria Rivard
 20 Kathy Vancour
 22 Scott Eric Harding
 29 Janice Edith Dexter
 July 3 Debra Grundy
 3 Susan Lee Mosher
 7 Paul Mark Hardy
 15 Sharon Ann Rutkowski
 21 Carol Anne Souza
 25 Ronald Wayne Levesque
 28 Dennis Gary Rittenhouse

Oscar Hormidas and Constance Aurore Lainey
 Lucien Alfred and Evelyn Davignon
 John and Marie Agnes Burrige
 Francis L. and Rose L. Bettencourt
 Manuel S. and Maria Amelia Mendes
 Roland and Florence Loretta Durocher
 Leonard Edward and Claire Helen Wunschel
 Manuel and Mary Mello
 Oscar Curt and Laura Denton Ekensteen
 Richard Curtis and Marjorie Joyce Colson
 Herbert William and Edith Ruth Hunton
 Joseph Maurice Roger and Jeannette Gagnier
 Richard Wallace and Carolyn Ray
 Harold Eugene and Jean Louise Hartley
 Ralph Edwin and Eleanor Frances Bousquet
 Douglas and Lilian Hession
 Sumner Bigelow and Ethelyn Prey
 Everett Linton and Marie Myrtle Martin
 Charles J. and Alice Lipinski
 Anibal and Celestina Pacheco
 Armand Aldai and Lillian Rita Fahey
 Scott Allen and Audrey Tripp

29	Antone Joseph Oliveira	Antone Joseph and Clotilde Mello
Aug. 2	Frederick Sumner Ashley	Elton Allen and Susan Henrietta Wilbur
7	Kevin Robert Lowe	Donald Perkins and Beulah Angela Tatro
7	Karen Pacheco	Francis Soares and Shirley Bertha Sylvia
11	Susan Marie Leblanc	Gerard and Marie Yvette Therese Bourque
17	Melody Ann Barboza	David Costa and Donna Marilyn Daggett
26	Joyce Marie Dubois	Normand and Doris R. Desorcy
Sept. 1	Timothy Raymond White	James Robert and Catherine Dymphna Nerbonne
7	Elaine Pauline Gaudette	Rodolphe Gabriel and Lena Margaret Phelan
12	Kathleen Hinckley	Lester G. and Margaret Reynolds
13	Carol Edna Forand	Louis Philidore and Delia Souza
15	Marie Claire Tisdelle	Joseph Henri and Rachael Masse
20	Monique Marie Girard	Andrew Maurice and Marie Therese Masse
21	Robert Clinton Hardy	Robert Clinton and Anna Mae Medeiros
21	Kerry Harvey Westgate	Harvey Potter and Flora Alida Dube
22	Diane Fagundes	George and Theresa Lagasse
Oct. 2	Michael Herve Daniel	Albert Rene and Lorraine Lillian Lecuyer
2	Donald Joseph LeBlanc	Joseph and Lorraine Claire Bergeron
8	Gail Susan Barksdale	Benjamin Winslow and Barbara Mary Dowd
8	Therese Ann Bouchard	Eugene Wilfred and Irene Rita Cote
9	Dennis Joseph Santos	Arthur and Betty Ann Chase
15	Marc Stanley Golas	Stanley and Lucille Gauttier

19	Lynn Marie Sousa	John and Irene Doris Cummings
19	Christine Denise Wunschel	William and Estelle Irene Bussiere
26	Joseph Ray DeCosta	Joseph Ray and Theresa Marie Goulet
27	Robert Arthur Boucher	Joseph Napoleon and Delphia Arbogast
28	Lynn Irene Castonguay	Roland and Barbara Dolores Spooner
30	Bruce Norman Telles	Norman Cunha and Eilene Gloria Resendes
Nov. 2	Brian Vincent Lefevre	Vincent Louis and Jeanne Celina Jacques
5	Bernard Eugene Croteau	Normand Paul and Pauline Yvonne Gaudette
7	Debra Jean Richards	William and Patricia Ann Carter
12	Ann Pilat	Boleslaw Jozef and Stefanie Nowakoski
20	Richard Elbert Deree	Richard Elbert and Mary Perry
23	Betsy Jo Wamboldt	George Spencer and Eunice Fern Timms
24	Steven Joseph Szwaja	Mieczyslaw and Clara T. Mosakowski
25	Paul Francis O'Toole	John Joseph and Claire Marie Reiss
30	Doreen Marie Gronlund	Arthur Howard and Claire Rita Brodeur
Dec. 2	Nancy Jean Soule	Granville Alton and Norma Doris Clarke
3	Rosemary Ann Niemic	Walter Martin and Mary Encarnacao F. Moinheiro
6	Bruce Wayne Wilbur	Granville Whitman and Barbara Louise Titus
11	Denise Marie Richard	Roland and Aline Desroches
21	Michael Wayne Correia	Manuel F. and Olive Rebella
28	William Maurice Marshall	William L. and Robia Eva Samson

MARRIAGES FOR THE YEAR 1954

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>
Jan. 2	Lucien O. Desjardins	24	Robert Clinton Hardy
2	Marie Angelina Furtado (Toussaint)		Anna Mae Medeiros
23	John Furtado Ferro	Apr. 17	Donald Livingston Phipps
	Roselina Medeiros Maseda		Phyllis Ann Hacking
23	Francisco Dias DeSouza	24	Vernon Wayne Coffin
	Eliza Pereira		Elizabeth Bradford Nering
23	John Elmer Rice	24	Joseph Roger Robichaud
	Shirley Mae Kizer		Amelia Henriques
Feb. 6	Joseph Bernard Alphonse Desrosiers	24	Robert Bradford Vincent
	Marie Annette Hubert		Doris Babineau
6	Manuel Fernandes Ropa, Jr.	24	George Spencer Wamboldt
	Pauline Marie LaFleur		Eunice Fern Timms
10	Christo Nicoloff	May 8	Edward M. Yaeger
	Sofia Balut (Krowiec)		Marie J. E. Ward (Cyr)
Mar. 6	Donald Lachapelle	18	Wladyslaw Czaja
	Barbara Jane Tootle		Mary Grinnell (Callaghan)
18	Joseph Leo Battistelli	June 5	Anibal Enos
	Shirley Mae Vincent		Pearl Dolores Pitts
24	Joseph Henri Beaulieu	12	William Francis Reilly
	Margaret Elizabeth Lacerda		Paulina Fernandes

19	Gilbert George Mainville	5	Joseph Normand Hector Richard
26	Yvette Rollande Judd	10	Marie Gabriel Helene Desorcy
	Kaare Hansen		John Clarence Mastera
26	Eugenia Augusto Souza (also known as DeSouza)	24	Alma Frances Kenyon
26	Edward Sanford Hillman		William Couto
26	Narciza V. Coelho	24	Wladyslaw Anna Zielinska
26	Lionel Motta		Napoleon Tubulkaim Oliveira
	Elsie Vieira	28	Marjorie Cabral
26	William Ernest Sylvia		Joseph Raoul Sylvio Roberge
19	Bernice Louise Decker	Aug. 3	Yvonne Emma Blais
	Frank St. Pierre		Jose Baptista
	Bertha Boudreau	7	Ruth Rita Garrant
July 3	Mario Cardoza		Antone Cambra, Jr.
3	Odelia Fernandes	7	Eva Souza
	Andre Louis Gonneville		Walter Witkos, Jr.
5	Shirley Ann Wordell	9	Dorothy O'Donnell
5	Eugene Joseph Cusson		Douglas Richard Meisch
	Helen Ida Gratton	14	Mary Couto
5	Roger Donald Deschamps		Edward Thomas Haskins
5	Patricia Ann Silveira	16	Alice "V" Coelho
	John Palys		Donald Michael Reynolds
	Izaura Pacheco Mello		Elizabeth Medeiros

21	Roland Everett Mills	20	Jose Garcia Medeiros
	Franciszyka Cioper		Mary Alexander
Sept. 3	Frederick Thomas Calligan	23	Alfred Joseph Sicard
4	Marie Claire Berthe Boucher (<i>Buchand</i>)	24	Marie Louise Ida Lamarre
	Joseph Philip Jason		Charles Lewis Shaw
	Barbara Ann Taft		Minnie Annie Chase
6	Donald Howard Easton	25	Henry Louis LeBoeuf
	Patricia "M" Pimental		Julia Anderson (Lawrence)
6	Addison Franklyn Russell	Nov. 6	Eugene Robert Baker
	Louise Marie Hainault		Beverly Anne Bates
6	Leo Kubel	11	Armand Maurice Perry
	Maria dos Anjos Mello		Isabelle Fernandes
11	Raymond Dupont	11	Roland Joseph Forand
	Alice Enos		Marie Berthe Francois Arguin
18	Francis Norton	11	Alfred Perry Rezendes
	Elizabeth Anne Chace		Juliette Beaulieu (Beaulieu)
Oct. 9	Franklin Benjamin Crabe	13	Milton Anthony Elliott
	Rachel Loyola DeMenk		Gail Lois Haskins
12	Rogers Florian Verronneau	13	Roger Guy LaForest
	Cecile Marie Allaire		Mercedes Monty
16	Wilfred Joseph Herve Robichaud	20	Francisco Sardinha DaSilva
	Janet Claire Therrien (Lecuyer)		Cecile Angeline Ouellet (Jovin)

20	Robert Malcolm Varley	25	Robert Edward Poirier
25	Roberta Marshal		Cozette Marie Beaulieu
25	Edmond Laliberte	27	Normand Joseph Senechal
	Hilda Fernandes Lage		Jean Audette
	Alvarino Correia Reis		
	Barbara Anne Pacheco		

RESIDENT DEATHS 1954

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Yrs.</i>	<i>Mos.</i>	<i>Days</i>
Jan. 3	David Cox	—	—	4
3	John Dawson	50	—	—
8	Isadora Wilmot (Benoit)	89	—	—
13	Hugo Albert Ekensteen	84	—	18
18	Alonzo Herbert Hammond	57	9	3
21	Carrie Weston (Benton)	67	1	27
26	John Bobola	70	—	—
26	Anthony Perry	79	3	15
29	Jeannette A. Boucher (Picard)	34	—	—
30	Sharon Vancour	—	8	—
Feb. 2	Amelia S. Mello (Faria)	83	11	—
3	Winifred Carolyn Bancroft (McKowen)	79	—	24
Mar. 10	Honore Martel	86	5	22
Apr. 2	Josephine Richard (Lapointe)	71	4	1
May 8	Joseph Czaja	83	—	—
11	Joseph Coury Attallah	68	—	—
18	Eloi Caron	64	7	23
18	Eliza Lapalme (Lacroix)	66	4	1
19	Vito N. Orofino	55	—	—
22	Jacob Kulik	75	10	—

23	Henry Frank Taber	23	1	20
June 10	Antone Amaral	27	—	—
11	Cynthia Clarisse Vieira	—	—	8
18	Loila Phillips (White)	99	—	23
26	Marcia Fortin (Tripp)	78	—	—
July 4	Marguerite LaCoste (LeBlanc)	68	7	14
10	Frank Linek	79	—	—
12	Frank Avila	45	—	—
22	Eugenia St. Martin (Lavoie)	75	11	8
Aug. 7	John Frates	52	—	—
12	John Arthur Coyle	37	8	26
17	Olive Boisclair (Tremblay)	73	11	27
Sept. 12	Frank Warsoski	48	10	24
13	Philomene J. Rocheleau (Charpentier)	85	10	29
17	Ellen Rankin (Kirkwood)	87	—	—
18	Walter W. Perrin	71	—	—
21	Joseph Edward Timms	63	8	11
30	William Crosby	97	—	—
23	Helena Gwozdz (Orlowski)	63	—	—
Oct. 11	Catherine Bernard (Latham)	36	8	—
12	Daniel L. Moore	63	—	—
18	Joseph A. Smith	63	—	—

Nov. 21	Adeline Lane (Morell)
30	Alice Russell Surrey (Braley)
Dec. 3	Nancy Jane Soule
14	Louis Langevin
21	Edward M. Yaeger

84	—	—
79	5	24
—	—	14 hrs.
75	—	—
66	—	—

EXPENDITURES
TOWN CLERK—1954

Appropriated	\$ 923.50
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Expended:

Bond	\$ 7.00	
Association Dues	7.50	
Congenital Deformities	1.50	
Printing	136.55	
Vital Statistics	233.50	
Binding	49.00	
Stationery and Supplies	353.12	
Postage	88.20	
Registry Recordings	7.50	
Miscellaneous	38.83	
		\$ 923.50

Salary of Town Clerk:

Appropriated	\$ 113.00
Expended	\$ 113.00

Attest: ALLAN L. RAWCLIFFE,

Town Clerk

EXPENDITURES
REGISTRARS OF VOTERS—1954

Appropriated	\$ 845.00
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Expended:

Registrars and Assistants	\$ 611.00	
Printing	27.25	
Postage	18.93	
Equipment and Supplies	65.94	
Miscellaneous	10.00	
Unexpended Balance	111.88	
	\$ 845.00	

ALLAN L. RAWCLIFFE
 NAPOLEON G. POISSON
 ARTHUR G. LeBLANC
 THEOPHILE COTE

Board of Registrars

Report of an Audit
of
The Accounts of
THE TOWN OF ACUSHNET

FOR THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 1953
TO NOVEMBER 6, 1954

Made in Accordance with the Provisions of
Chapter 44, General Laws

TOWN OF ACUSHNET

BALANCE SHEET NOVEMBER 6, 1954

General Accounts		
Assets		Liabilities and Reserves
Cash,		
Accounts Receivable:	\$162,020.95	State Assessments 1954:
Taxes:		Parks and Reservations, \$ 819.00
Levy of 1954:		Audit of Municipal Accts., 503.04
Poll,	\$ 20.00	_____ \$ 1,322.04
Personal Property,	355.80	
Real Estate,	4,885.40	
		Employees' Payroll Deductions:
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		Federal Taxes, \$2,193.45
Levy of 1953,	\$ 354.45	County Retirement System 72.27
Levy of 1954,	4,291.56	Teachers' Retirement Sys., 508.00
		Blue Cross, Blue Shield, 69.80
		_____ 2,843.52
		Agency:
Tax Titles and Possessions:	4,646.01	County—Dog Licenses, \$ 467.00
Tax Titles,	\$1,422.02	Excess—Sale of Lands of
Tax Possessions,	7,470.50	Low Value, 4.19
		_____ 471.19
	8,892.52	Tailings—Unclaimed Checks,
		_____ 97.31

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Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus, Overlay Reserved for Abatements:	28,000.74
Levy of 1954,	5,261.20
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer	
Excise,	\$4,646.01
Tax Title and Possession,	8,892.52
Departmental,	4,074.80
Water,	384.68
Aid to Highways,	3,000.00
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Surplus Revenue:	20,998.01
General:	
Current Year,	\$ 2,617.80
Prior Years,	29,460.44
Water,	993.70
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	33,071.94
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	\$216,492.80
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\$216,492.80	

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town Hall, Acushnet, Mass.

Dear Sirs:

I hereby submit my report of the Police Department for the year of 1954.

Departmental Expenses

Chief's Wages	\$2,938.00
Other Officers	1,989.86
Telephone	241.51
Association Dues	3.00
Office Maintenance	56.85
Gasoline for Cruiser and Ambulance	364.62
Repairs on Cruiser and Ambulance	155.23
Grease and Oil for Cruiser and Ambulance	17.54
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Total	\$5,766.61
Appropriation	5,500.00
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	266.61
Transferred from Reserve Fund	280.00
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Unexpended Balance	\$ 13.39

Number of Persons Arrested by the Department

1.—CRIMES AGAINST THE PERSON	
Rape	1
2.—CRIMES AGAINST PROPERTY	
Breaking and Entering and Larceny	8

Larceny and Attempt	1
Larceny of Automobile	1
3.—CRIMES AGAINST PUBLIC ORDER	
Delinquency	1
Driving to Endanger	6
Driving Under the Influence	6
Drunkenness	14
Leaving the Scene of an Accident	4
Neglect of Family	1
Confined to Taunton State Hospital	5
4.—ARRESTS MADE BY STATE POLICE	
Insane Persons	2
Drunk	4
Rape	1
Other Activities of the Department	
Total Motor Vehicle Accidents Investigated	40
Those Resulting in Personal Injuries	22
Those Resulting in Property Damage Only	18
Cars Stopped for Minor Violations	74
Driving Licenses Suspended	12
Suspended by Other Departments	35
Wires Reported Down	25
Pistol Permits Issued	21
Motor Vehicles Transferred	1,112
Street Lights Reported Out	34
Persons Reported Missing	6
Missing Persons Returned	6
Ambulance Service Rendered	92
Witnesses Summoned	20
Stray Dogs Picked Up and Confined	11
Cars Reported Stolen	54
Miscellaneous Complaints	352
Bicycles Recovered	5
Bicycles Reported Stolen	8
Hit and Run Accidents Reported	4
Stolen Cars Recovered	54

Warrants Served	38
Dog Bites Reported	20
Permits to Move Buildings Issued	10
Bicycle Registered	65
Deserters From Service	1
Confined to Taunton State Hospital	5

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES E. HYDE,
Chief of Police

FIRE DEPARTMENT YEARLY REPORT FOR 1954

The Fire Department distributed in different sections of the town several types of fire extinguishers for public use in case of emergency. Therefore anyone having a fire and in need of an extinguisher should call at their nearest location.

Fred Ashley, 1443 Main Street	2 Extinguishers
Jethro Ashley, 806 Main Street	2 Extinguishers
Oscar H. Forand, 840 Main Street	2 Extinguishers
Everett Booker, 561 Main Street	2 Extinguishers
Herman Morse, 114 Mendall Road	2 Extinguishers
Clifford Tripp, Perry Hill Road	2 Extinguishers
Andre Halle, Peckham Road	1 Extinguisher
Dolor Halle, 250 Peckham Road	1 Extinguisher
Ustus Arbogast, 912 Middle Road	1 Extinguisher

In Case of Fire Dial 2-7456

The Fire Department responded to one hundred and eleven fires during the year of 1954 and the Department consists of thirty-five regular volunteer firemen.

EXPENDITURES

New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	\$ 237.73
New Bedford Gas Co.	24.00
Dahill Co.	25.55
John Pimental (Electric Repairs)	90.31
Farrar Co., hose, nozzles, etc.	236.89
Pepin Bros., gas, oil, etc.	165.68
Taber's Garage, repairs and parts	83.32
Acushnet Pharmacy, first aid	5.85
New Bedford Lumber Co.	4.00

Oil Heat Institute, printing	20.00
Donald G. Reed, ass't fee	5.00
Eddie's Market, electric wire, sockets, etc.	46.08
Highway Garage, gas and oil	11.62
Acushnet Saw Mills, paint	2.75
Bergeron & Co., insurance	118.75
Bob's Auto Body, repairs	23.00
Charles Clougherty, extinguishers	124.99
Boissonneau's Garage, repairs	11.10
Bourrassa's Hardware, keys and parts	4.43
J. A. Toussaint, repairs and parts	22.55
Anthony & Sons, advertisement	5.92
Baylies Co. Air-Pak, Indian Tanks	256.88
Parting Ways Service Station, gas, oil, rent	180.74
U. S. Post Office, postage stamps	9.00
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	\$ 1,716.14

MONTHLY PAYROLL

January	\$ 124.00
February	107.50
March	178.50
April	87.00
May	68.50
June	79.00
July	79.00
August	29.00
September	151.00
October	96.00
November	98.00
December	46.00
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Total	\$ 1,143.00
Expenditures	1,716.14
Chief's Salary	2,938.00
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Total Expenditures	\$ 5,797.64

Appropriation	5,803.00
Unexpended Balance	\$ 5.36

Respectfully yours as submitted,

CONRAD H. GAUTTIER,
Fire Chief, A.F.D.

REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Selectmen of the Town of Acushnet:

The foregoing comprises my annual report for the period ending December 31, 1954:

Scales over 10,000 lbs		sealed	1
Scales 100 to 5,000 lbs		sealed	1
Scales under 100 lbs	adjusted 1 condemned 1	sealed	40
Avoirdupois		sealed	18
Apothecary Scale		sealed	1
Liquid measure under 1 gal			18
Liquid measure over 1 gal			2
Gasoline meters	adjusted 3	sealed	21
Kerosene	condemned 1	sealed	3
Grease		sealed	4
Yardsticks		sealed	2

Water Department:

Adjusted and sealed scale for testing meters

Trial weighings and measurement of commodities sold or put up for sale:

Bread	28	correct	26	under	2
Butter and lard	109				
Coal in bags	6				
Dry commodities	500				
Flour	10				

Sealing fees turned over to the Town	\$54.10
Adjusting fees	\$25.00

HENRY O. SAUCIER,
Sealer of Weights and Measures

REPORT OF THE ANIMAL INSPECTOR

For the Town of Acushnet for the Year 1954

To the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Acushnet:

During the year 1954 I visited 62 barns and inspected 1098 cattle, 28 sheep, 2 goats, 1 horse and 369 pigs.

I quarantined 8 dogs but found no symptoms of rabies during the quarantine period.

Respectfully submitted,

OTIS J. TRIPP,
Inspector of Animals

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF WIRES

December 31, 1954

Board of Selectmen
Acushnet, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I wish to submit the following report:

From January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954 I made two hundred forty-four (244) inspections as follows:

Oil Burners	49
Gas Furnaces	7
Services	
New	45
Alterations	40
Repaired	13
Temporary	10
Rough Wiring	42
Finish Wiring	11
Miscellaneous	27

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. BARRY,
Inspector of Wires

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

For the Year 1954

Number of Bound Volumes	8,834
Added in 1954	102
Purchased	82
Donated	20

Registration of Borrowers

Total	944
Increase of Adults	66
Increase of Juveniles	59
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Total Increase	125

Circulation

From Russell Memorial Library

Fiction	7,604
Non-Fiction	2,634
Magazines	1,310

Total	11,548
Number of Juveniles Circulated	5,503

From Long Plain Branch

Books	900
Magazines	440

Total	1,340
Total Circulation for the Town	12,888
Increase over last year	1,297

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Respectfully submitted,

EMMA L. WHITE,
Librarian

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Board of Health respectfully submits the following report for the year 1954:

Immediately following the election the newly elected member, Sylvano Frates was sworn into office by the Town Clerk.

At the first regular meeting the Board organized as follows:

Chairman—Clement St. Amand, Jr.

Secretary—Louise F. Taber

Agent and Inspector of Licenses—Sylvano Frates.

Allen E. Weeks was appointed Inspector of Slaughtering which appointment was duly confirmed by the State Department of Public Health.

During the past year we had one patient at the Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital for part of the year. Also one patient at Lakeville State Sanatorium and one at North Reading State Sanatorium which is Acushnet settled until April 1955. We had one premature birth which cost \$384.00 and another still pending at the cost of \$504.00.

We have received more complaints than usual regarding the garbage collection which we believe is due to the law that was passed requiring the cooking of all garbage before being fed to swine. We hope that the garbage collection will be conducted in a satisfactory manner in the future.

Through the cooperation of the District Nurse, Miss Katherine Hartley, R.N., the dental clinic was conducted another year for the most needy school children. A total of \$710.00

was charged by the dentist and \$152.25 was credited as part payment by the children, leaving the net cost to the Board of Health of \$557.75. The yearly totals are as follows: 164 Fillings; 75 Treatments; 59 Extractions; 25 Prophylaxis; 9 X-Rays; and 40 Examinations. Total of 372 for the year 1954.

Thanking everyone for their cooperation during the year we present the following statistical report:

Chicken Pox	17
Mumps	25
Dog Bite	2
Measles	15
Oleomargarine	16
Premature Births	3
Pulmonary Tuberculosis	3
The following licenses were issued:	
Store License—Milk and Cream	19
Vehicle License—Milk and Cream	20
Pasteurization Licenses	3
Trailer Camp License	1

Respectfully submitted,

CLEMENT ST. AMAND, JR.
SYLVANO FRATES
LOUISE F. TABER

Board of Health

ASSESSORS' REPORT FOR 1954

Population of the Town, January 1, 1954		4,650
Number of Polls		1,517
Number of Persons assessed on real estate only		1,503
Number of Perscns assessed on personal estate only		18
Number of Persons assessed on both personal and real estate		163
Value of assessed stock in trade	\$14,465.00	
Value of assessed machinery	414,095.00	
Value of assessed livestock	89,155.00	
Value of all other assessed tangible Personal Property	18,925.00	
Value of assessed Perscnal Estate		\$536,640.00
Value of land exclusive of buildings	\$702,030.00	
Value of buildings, exclusive of land	2,257,810.00	
Value of assessed Real Estate		\$2,959,840.00
Total valuation of assessed Estate		\$3,496,480.00
Tax on Polls	\$3,034.00	
Tax on Personal Estate	21,261.40	
Tax on Real Estate	115,986.00	
Taxes levied on Polls and Property		\$140,281.40
Tax rate per \$1,000.00		\$40.00
Number of horses assessed		13
Number of cows assessed		833
Number of neat cattle assessed		146
Number of swine assessed		182
Number of sheep assessed		
Number of fowl assessed		17,683
Number of all other livestock assessed		106

Number of dwelling-houses assessed	1,216
Number of acres of land assessed	10,483

Recapitulation Sheet of 1954

Appropriations from Available Funds	
1953 and 1954	\$121,211.95
Appropriations 1953 and 1954	251,476.21
State Assessments:	
State Parks and Reservations	819.00
State Parks and Reservations (1953 Underestimate)	182.22
State Audit of Municipal Accounts	503.04
State Audit of Municipal Accounts (1953 Underestimate)	.....
County Assessment:	
County Tax	9,990.35
Tuberculosis Hospital	5,420.57
Tuberculosis Hospital (1953 Underestimate)	147.25
Overlay of Current Year	12,388.46
Total	<hr/> \$402,139.05

Estimated Receipts and Available Funds

Income Tax	\$43,440.17
Corporation Taxes	19,681.89
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	15,000.00
Licenses	7,600.00
Health and Sanitation	356.25
Charities	7,600.00
Old Age Tax (Meals)	1,579.64
Old Age Assistance	20,000.00
Veterans' Benefits	2,004.33
Schools	6,039.10
Public Service Enterprises	15,000.00

Cemeteries	207.50	
Total Estimated Receipts	\$139,308.88	
County Tax (1953 Overestimate)	1,336.82	
Total Available Funds	122,548.77	
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds		\$261,857.65
Total amount to be raised by taxation on Polls and Property		140,281.40
Number of Polls—1,517 at \$2.00	3,034.00	
Total Valuation:		
Personal Property	\$531,535.00	
Real Estate	2,899,650.00	
Real Estate Tax	\$115,986.00	
Personal Property Tax	21,261.40	
		\$140,281.40

**List of Taxes Committed to Collector
for the Year 1954**

Personal Property Tax	\$21,465.60	
Total Personal Property Tax		\$21,465.60
Real Estate Taxes	\$118,393.60	
Subsequent Assessments	3.00	
Total Real Estate Taxes		\$118,396.60
Poll Taxes		3,034.00
Excise Tax for the year 1954 (2,099) Motor Vehicles		27,595.41
Excise Tax for the year 1953 Committed in 1954		1,168.93
Total Commitments to Collector for the Year 1954		\$171,660.57

WILLIAM FAWCETT
EDWARD DESSERT
RUDOLPH H. URBANEK

REPORT OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

To the Officers and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

The Park Commissioners respectfully submit their report for the year of 1954.

Original Appropriation	\$2,650.00
Additional Appropriation	160.00
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Total	\$2,810.00

Expenditures

Elmer Sherman:

Combination Basketball and Tennis Court	\$ 810.00
W. Braley: Clear Land and Lay-out Baseball Field	1,188.00
Town Help—Labor	48.40
Acushnet Saw Mills	194.78
Tripp—Calcium chloride and lime	13.50
N. B. Lumber Co.	64.52
T. A. Denault & Sons	14.75
Alfred Beauregard, labor	92.50
Adrian Gonneville, labor	92.50
Beauregard & Gonneville, labor	190.00
Smith's Sports Store	34.00
N. B. Wire & Iron Works	26.00
Joseph Toussaint, blacksmith	30.89
Cutting of Grass	10.00
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Total	\$2,809.84
Balance	.16

We wish to take this opportunity to express our appreciation for the support of the Officers and Residents of Acushnet in our recreational program. It is with deep satisfaction that we view the increase in interest of activities at Pope Park. The Little League was a great success in its first year and was enjoyed by youngsters and grownups alike. In the older age groups both Pony League and C.Y.O. players used the field weekly.

Tennis was another game in which much interest was shown and it is hoped that in 1955 arrangements can be made for free instructions in the game.

Basketball has been played throughout the year and we hope that a league can be formed to encompass all age groups.

Our plans for the future include installment of swings, slides and the formation of a picnic area. We hope to complete the Little League diamond and must replace the present backstop on the large ball field which was extensively damaged during the hurricanes. A fence must be completed around the tennis court and repairs must be made to the rest rooms.

It is only through the help and generosity of the people of Acushnet that any of these things can be accomplished. We thank them for their support in the past and hope we can be deserving of it in the future.

Very respectfully yours,

EDWARD W. HALL

ERNEST D. BOISVERT

Acushnet Park Commissioners

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE FOR 1954

Directory

School Board Membership

	<i>Term Expires</i>
William Fawcett, Jr., Chairman	1956
Gerard Charest	1955
Harold Bates	1957

Superintendent of Schools

Albert F. Ford Executive Secretary of the School Board

Personnel

Dr. William A. Jeffrey	School Physician
Katherine Hartley, R.N.	School Nurse
James E. Hyde	Attendance Officer
Matthew Niziolek, Custodian	Parting Ways School
Joseph F. Resendes, Custodian	Marie S. Howard School
Omer Pineau, Custodian	Mason W. Burt School
Oscar Forand, Custodian	Long Plain School

Teaching Personnel

Mrs. Mabel A. Phillips, Prin., Grade 8	Parting Ways School
Mrs. Isabelle G. Braley, Grade 7	Parting Ways School
Mrs. Eleanor F. Eastham, Grade 6	Parting Ways School
Mrs. Anna M. Gacek, Grade 5	Parting Ways School
Miss Muriel Barnes, Grade 4	Parting Ways School
Miss Isabelle Kosztyla, Grade 3	Parting Ways School

Miss Stacia Skoczolek, Grade 2	Parting Ways School
Mrs. Grancis E. Gifford, Grade 1	Parting Ways School
Daniel F. Flanagan, Prin., Grades 7,8	Marie S. Howard School
Mrs. Olivine F. Frost, Grades 5,6	Marie S. Howard School
Mrs. Stasia C. Polar, Grade 4	Marie S. Howard School
Mrs. Shirley Cory, Grade 3	Marie S. Howard School
Mrs. Bertha S. Slater, Grades 1,2	Marie S. Howard School
Miss Ruth H. Taber, Prin., Grades 3,4	Long Plain School
Mrs. Yvonne J. Parker, Grades 7,8	Long Plain School
Mrs. Sophronia A. Howard, Grades 5,6	Long Plain School
Mrs. Matilda Bertrand, Grades 1,2	Long Plain School
Miss Alma Schumann, Prin., Grades 3,4	Mason W. Burt School
Mrs. Ruth B. Jackson, Grades 5,6	Mason W. Burt School
Mrs. Mildred F. Meade, Grades 1,2	Mason W. Burt School
Miss Jacqueline Costa	Remedial Reading

AGE AND GRADE DISTRIBUTION, OCTOBER 1, 1954

GRADE	AGE																Totals
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16					
I	34	37	5	1												77	
II		21	35	4	2											62	
III			39	37	10	2	2									90	
IV				16	31	10	4	4		1						66	
V					20	38	14	3	1	1						77	
VI						8	38	8	8	6						68	
VII							9	23	13	2	3					50	
VIII									12	28	6	5	1			52	
Totals	34	58	79	58	63	58	67	50	50	16	8	1				542	

Numbers to left of heavy lines—pupils under age

Numbers between heavy lines—pupils normal age

Numbers to right of heavy lines—pupils over age

Pupils under age	159	Percent enrolled	100%
Pupils normal age	337	Percent under age	29%
Pupils over age	46	Percent normal age	63%
Total enrolled	542	Percent over age	8%

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS FOR 1954

To the Townspeople of Acushnet:

The annual report submitted herewith is the twenty-third in a consecutive series released by the writer.

There were twenty-five meetings of the School Committee during the year. On March 3, 1954 the School Committee reorganized for the year electing William Fawcett, Jr., Chairman of the School Board.

Highlighting many completed repair projects and installations during 1954 were the following.

1. A new fire alarm system in the Marie S. Howard School.
2. A new chain link fence at the Marie S. Howard School.
3. Grading and seeding playground at the Howard School.
4. A new oil fired heating system in the Long Plain School.
5. A supporting steel beam in the Parting Ways School basement.
6. New plumbing in the Parting Ways School.
7. Repairs to the Mason W. Burt School boiler.
8. Renewal of upper section of the chimney at the Parting Ways School due to damage caused by the August 31st hurricane.

Mrs. Elva S. Gurney, teacher of grades five and six at the Howard School, was granted a one year leave of absence effective in September, 1954. Mrs. Olivine F. Frost of Acushnet was elected and assigned to this classroom for a period of one year beginning in September of 1954. As pupils far in

excess of normal were enrolled in grades three and four in the Howard School it became necessary to hire another teacher and to assign all third grade pupils to a single unit in the assembly hall. This action created a single fourth grade housed in the regular classroom. Mrs. Shirley Cory of Acushnet was elected for a period of one year effective in September, 1954 to teach this particular single third grade in the Marie S. Howard School. In the net the instruction staff was increased by one teacher and now stands at twenty-one.

Of far reaching significance is the passage of a state law on May 28, 1954 calling for the special and separate instruction of mentally retarded children. Regulations pertaining to the impact of General Laws, Chapter 514 of the Acts of 1954, have been released by the State Department of Education and the State Department of Mental Health. This particular legislation modifies Chapter 71, section 46 and makes the setting up of a special teaching situation mandatory under the provisions of state law. Such an Opportunity Class must be organized prior to September of 1955.

One and only one conventional classroom remains available for this specific purpose among the four public schools in Acushnet. This room is located in the Mason W. Burt School. To make the problem of school organization more complex there is no longer any possibility of enrolling additional seventh and eighth grade pupils, from the Mason W. Burt School district, in the Parting Ways School. There are six grades housed in the Burt School and it has been customary for pupils completing the sixth grade in said school to enroll in grade seven of the Parting Ways School. A sharp increase in pupil enrollment at the Parting Ways School is causing a full utilization of all available space therein.

The immediate challenge is to determine a feasible manner in which to accommodate seventh grade pupils in the Burt School district beginning in September, 1955. Lists of prospective first grade enrollees for September, 1955 indicate that

Howard School regular primary classroom facilities will be inadequate to house both first and second grades in one room. Consequently provision must be made for a single first grade as well as single second grade. Grade two pupils will undoubtedly be assigned to the Howard School assembly hall.

Although it is not ideal it is physically possible to utilize both ends of the Marie S. Howard School for temporary and interim teaching situations within the length of the assembly hall floor. It is also physically possible to transport seventh grade pupils from the Burt School district to the Howard School and to combine two seventh grade groups into a single teaching unit to be located upon the assembly hall floor within the Howard School.

Such a temporary organization would afford Howard School eighth grade pupils an opportunity to be taught as a single unit. Anticipated numbers in grades three and four at the Howard School in September, 1955 suggest that these pupils may be housed in one classroom thus creating space on a temporary basis for a single second grade. Should such school organization be officially sponsored the instruction staff would be augmented by one teacher and become twenty-two. A continuing and careful analysis of the housing problem cannot do more than produce a temporary solution in the face of an ever growing school population. A casual study of the attached age and grade distribution chart for the town will show this to be true. Note especially the grade enrollments in the first four levels as compared to those at the fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth grade levels.

There is a budget impact to be stressed in the field of secondary education. Note from the chart that there are fifty-two eighth grade pupils preparing for graduation next June. In June of 1954 thirty-eight students were graduated. It is reasonable to anticipate a substantial increase in numbers attending grade nine in New Bedford. Consequently costs for tuition and

transportation of high school students will increase materially. Another factor contributing to increased costs in high school education is a 12½% rise in tuition rates. Action of the Union Street Railway Company increasing its rates 36% will reflect in a much larger allocation of funds for transportation purposes.

In response to many inquiries concerning state aid to education space is devoted here to an explanation of state reimbursements credited to Acushnet and the manner in which such sums are determined. As the formulas are technical it will be necessary to trace the steps carefully. Chapter 643 of the General Laws provides substantial aid to the town which is paid from proceeds from the State Tax on Incomes. Such sums received by the local treasurer during the calendar year are not earmarked for use by the schools but are credited to the Excess and Deficiency account which is oftentimes called the free cash account. On or about November 20 of each year the full amount of state aid should have been received. On October 1st of the preceding calendar year the number of residents whose ages range from seven years through age fifteen are tallied. On October 1, 1953 there were 737 Acushnet children in this classification. This number was multiplied by \$130 producing \$95,810.00. This sum was reduced by \$6.00 per thousand in an equalized valuation of \$3,751,180.00 or \$22,507.08. This arithmetic produced a figure of \$73,303.92. One-half this figure or \$36,651.46 represented the total amount of claim. A statement to this effect was mailed to the State Department of Education on July 1, 1954.

After checking the formula for accuracy the State Department of Education certified to the Commissioner of Taxation and the State Comptroller that \$36,651.46 was due the Town of Acushnet for the school year ending June 30, 1954. The Deputy Commissioner of Education verified this action in writing on November 22, 1954.

Looking ahead to 1955 it is now known as a result of the October 1, 1954 census of children in the key age range of seven through fifteen that 770 Acushnet residents were among this classification. Working the formula produces a claim of \$38,796.46 which will be credited on or after November 20, 1955. Next year's Chapter 643 reimbursement will be \$2,145.00 more than the sum credited during 1954.

Aid for school transportation is had under the provisions of Chapter 71, section 7A as amended by Chapter 754 of the Acts of 1949. Here the formula deals with the net average membership of the public schools together with the number of residents of the town attending private schools. This figure totalled 850 for the school year ending June 30, 1954. Multiplying 850 times \$5.00 produced \$4,250.00. For the school year in question the total cost of transporting pupils not less than one and one-half miles once daily to and from school was \$12,837.50.

All sums in excess of \$4,250.00 which were expended for transportation under these limitations during the school year ending June 30, 1954 represented the total state aid due. This figure amounted to \$8,587.50 and was certified as correct on November 22, 1954. It may be determined at a glance that the State reimbursed about two-thirds of the total cost of school transportation for the school year in question. This money is also produced from State Income Tax funds.

The Commonwealth also pays for the tuition and transportation of State Wards placed in this community by the State Department of Public Welfare, Division of Child Guardianship. The permissive legislation for this type of state aid is to be found in General Laws, Chapter 76, sections 7 to 10 inclusive as amended by Chapter 622 of the Acts of 1950 and further modified by Chapter 579 of the Acts of 1951. On October 21, 1954 the said State Department certified to the State Comptroller that \$408.90 was due Acushnet for these

purposes. Written verification of this communication was forwarded to the Acushnet School Department on November 30, 1954.

Massachusetts also reimburses fifty percent of the cost of tuition and transportation incurred by Acushnet students attending Vocational schools in New Bedford and elsewhere. The particular school year in this instance extends from September 1st to the following August 31st. Such state aid is realized for the school year next preceding. For the year ending August 31, 1953 \$4,194.07 was credited to Acushnet for Vocational tuition purposes and \$1,069.13 for Vocational transportation. Total of this type of reimbursement was \$5,263.20 and was verified in writing on October 13, 1954.

Other than state aid totalling \$50,911.06 which was due the town in 1954 revenues are had from other sources.

Non-resident tuition payments totalled \$152.61.

Interest money available in the May T. A. Manter Trust Fund was expended for school support in the sum of \$900.11.

Interest money available in the Russell Public School Fund was expended for school books in the sum of \$161.80.

Your attention is drawn to the following financial statement:

At the annual town meeting in March, 1954 \$140,750.00 was appropriated for schools and \$14,000.00 for Vocational education. Subsequently on November 26, 1954 the sum of \$600.00 was transferred from the Reserve Fund to the Vocational education account.

	1954	1955
	<i>Costs</i>	<i>Estimate</i>
General Control	\$ 6,635.92	\$ 6,900.00
Teachers' Salaries	67,876.62	72,500.00
Books	1,885.35	2,000.00

Supplies	1,599.82	2,500.00
Janitors' Salaries	11,766.30	12,000.00
Fuel	2,440.94	3,000.00
Maintenance	1,347.50	1,400.00
Repairs	9,350.62	4,000.00
Transportation	13,006.92	16,200.00
Tuition	24,534.08	28,900.00
Sundries	54.07	50.00
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	\$140,498.14	\$149,450.00

Year End Balance	251.86
State Aid, Chapter 70, Chapter 643	36,651.46
Transportation Aid, Chapter 754	8,587.50
State Wards, Chapter 76	408.90
Non-Resident Tuition	152.61
Total Revenue	45,800.47
Net Cost to Taxpayers	94,697.67

Additional funds are included in the 1955 estimated school budget to meet rate increases in both tuition and transportation areas. Enrollments in elementary and secondary education fields are substantially higher. Provision is made for an augmented teaching staff.

VOCATIONAL EDUCATION BUDGET

	1954 <i>Costs</i>	1955 <i>Estimate</i>
Tuition	\$ 10,514.50	\$ 11,000.00
Transportation	3,990.84	4,500.00
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	\$ 14,505.34	\$ 15,500.00
Year End Balance	\$ 94.66	
State Aid Tuition	4,194.07	
State Aid Transportation	1,069.13	
Total State Aid	5,263.20	
Net Cost to Taxpayers	9,242.14	

The integrity and perseverance of the members of the local teaching staff is a constant source of satisfaction.

Each school janitor is performing his routine duties in a commendable manner.

This opportunity is taken to pay my respects to the members of the Acushnet School Committee.

Very respectfully yours,

ALBERT F. FORD,
Superintendent of Schools

Acushnet, Massachusetts
January 10, 1955

We have this day voted to accept the report of the Superintendent of Schools as the report of the School Committee for the year ending December 31, 1954.

Regular meetings of the School Committee are held on alternate Monday evenings at 7:00 o'clock.

WILLIAM FAWCETT, JR., *Chairman*
GERARD CHAREST
HAROLD BATES

*Members of the Acushnet
School Committee*

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN AND NURSE

Acushnet, Massachusetts
January 21, 1955

To the Members of the School Committee, the Superintendent,
Teachers, and Residents of the Town of Acushnet:

At the end of the fiscal year of 1954, the School Physician
and Nurse submit their annual report.

During this year, 328 school children were given physical
examinations, 179 parents being present at the time their
children were examined. When we consider that there are so
many mothers working these days, we consider that the above
figures represent very good co-operation by the parents, show-
ing that they are keenly interested in their children's welfare.
During these examinations, the following abnormalities were
noted:

Postural conditions	74
Defective teeth	121
Ear troubles	66
Throat conditions	110
Nasal abnormalities	3
Cardiac conditions	10
Orthopedic (feet and spine)	8
Enlarged glands	7
Skin conditions	2

The State Pure Tone Audiometer Test for Hearing was
given to 1013 pupils in the schools. Of these, 39 showed defec-
tive hearing; 19 of the 39 underwent corrective treatment.

The State Vision Test was given to 107 children, 10 of whom showed defective vision; 7 of these were corrected.

The Dental Clinic conducted by the School Nurse and Dr. Paul Kuechler has functioned well; 372 treatments were given. This clinic has aided immensely in reducing the number of dental defects which were found in school examinations in previous years.

At the Baby Clinic for pre-school children, held in the Library on the first Wednesday of each month, we examined or treated 277 children; 52 children were vaccinated against Smallpox, and 67 children underwent the series of inoculations for immunization against Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, and Tetanus.

This brief outline of a year of pleasant, satisfying work is notable in that the abnormalities found were not as numerous or as severe as in previous years; there has apparently been much improvement, year by year, in the general health of our school children. It has been a pleasure for the School Nurse and School Physician to perform their duties, and they appreciate most heartily the co-operation of the Parents, the School Committee, the Superintendent, and Teachers.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM A. JEFFREY
KATHERINE HARTLEY, R.N.

WARRANT
For the Annual Town Meeting
Monday, March 7, 1955

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Bristol, ss,

To the Constable of the Town of Acushnet:

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet, who are qualified to vote in Elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the several designated Polling Places in their respective precincts, in said Acushnet, to wit:

Precinct 1—Polling Place
FIRE STATION

Precinct 2—Polling Place
TOWN HALL

Precinct 3—Polling Place
LONG PLAIN METHODIST CHURCH

On Monday, the Seventh (7) next A.D., 1955, (it being the first Monday in March) at 10 o'clock in the forenoon then and there to bring their votes on one ballot for the following Town Officers and questions to wit:

One Selectman and member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years.

One Assessor for three years.

One School Committeeman for three years.
 One Member of the Board of Health for three years.
 One Trust Fund Commissioner for three years.
 One Trust Fund Commissioner for two years, to fill vacancy.
 One Trustee of Free Public Library for three years.
 One Member of the Cemetery Board for three years.
 One Tree Warden for one year.
 One Moderator for one year.
 One Park Commissioner for three years.

All the above mentioned Town Officers are to be voted for on one ballot.

For this purpose the polls will be opened at each and all said precincts at 10 o'clock in the forenoon and will close at 8 o'clock in the evening at each and all the several precincts.

You are hereby further required and directed to notify and warn said inhabitants of the Town of Acushnet aforesaid who are qualified to vote in Elections and Town affairs therein to assemble subsequently and meet in Town Meeting at the Town Hall in said Acushnet, the Twelfth (12) day of March next at 2 o'clock in the afternoon then and there to act on the following subjects and business, viz:

Article 1—To see if the Town will vote to determine the compensation which each Town Officer and Employee will receive, and make an appropriation therefor, as recommended by the Finance Committee.

Article 2—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the proper maintenance of the Department of Town Clerk, Treasurer and Collector.

Article 3—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the proper maintenance of the Department of Assessors, and for Sectional Plotting Purposes.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS
FOR THE WARRANT OF 1955**

Article 1—Such recommendations are now in the hands of the Board of Selectmen.

Article 2—Recommend \$873.50 for expenses of the Town Clerk's Department, and \$2,666.95 for expenses of the Treasurer and Collector's Department.

Article 3—Recommend \$1,170.00 for expenses of the Assessors' Department, and Sectional Plotting Purposes.

Article 4—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the proper maintenance of the Department of Selectmen and Town Accountant, and Department of the Registrars of Voters.

Article 5—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the Town Hall and Offices.

Article 6—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the Police Department.

Article 7—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the Fire Department.

Article 8—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Department of Sealer of Weights and Measures.

Article 9—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Sewer Pumping Charges.

Article 10—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Board of Health.

Article 11—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for employment of District or other nurse.

Article 12—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for highways, bridges, sidewalks, removal of snow, sanding, drains, weekly collection of rubbish, equipment and materials.

Finance Committee Recommendations—Continued

Article 4—Recommend \$1,900.00 for expenses of the Board of Selectmen and Town Accountant's Department, and ~~\$845.00~~ ^{\$1,200.00} for expenses of the Registrars of Voters' Department.

Article 5—Recommend \$3,500.00 ✓

Article 6—Recommend \$8,100.00. ✓

Article 7—Recommend \$7,339.50. ✓

Article 8—Recommend \$225.00. ✓

Article 9—Recommend \$150.00. ✓

Article 10—Recommend \$3,925.00. ✓

Article 11—Recommend \$2,234.00. ✓

Article 12—Recommend to raise and appropriate \$20,000.00, and transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account \$15,000.00. ✓

Article 13—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, and transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account in the Treasury, a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 14—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of maintaining during the ensuing year, the Mosquito Control Works, as estimated and certified to by the State Reclamation Board in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 112, Acts of 1931.

Article 15—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Street Lights.

Article 16—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Suppression of Moths, and Dutch Elm Disease.

Article 17—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Veteran's Benefits, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 115 of the General Laws, to include unpaid bills of 1954.

Article 18—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for any and all expenditures in administering and granting of Public Welfare and General Relief, this amount to include unpaid bills of 1952, and 1954.

Article 19—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for any and all expenditures in administering and granting of Aid to Dependent Children.

Article 20—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for any and all expenditures necessary in the administering and granting of Old Age Assistance.

Finance Committee Recommendations—Continued

Article 13—Recommend to transfer from the Excess and Deficiency account the sum of \$4,500.00. ✓

Article 14—Recommend \$50.00. ✓

Article 15—Recommend \$3,400.00. ✓

Article 16—Recommend to transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account the sum of \$800.00 for Suppression of Moths, and \$750.00 for Dutch Elm Disease. ✓

Article 17—Recommend \$4,000.00. ✓

Article 18—Recommend \$2,000.00. ✓

Article 19—Recommend \$5,000.00. ✓

Article 20—Recommend \$37,000.00. ✓

Article 21—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for any and all expenditures necessary in administering and granting Disability Assistance, in accordance with Chapter 118-D of the General Laws.

Article 22—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Schools.

Article 23—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Vocational High School.

Article 24—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Free Public Libraries.

Article 25—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Park Purposes.

Article 26—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Memorial Purposes.

Article 27—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or Transfer from the Overlay Reserve Account, a sum of money for the Reserve Fund.

Article 28—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Insurance on all Public Buildings and Equipment owned by the Town.

Article 29—To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the Financial year beginning January 1, 1956, and issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, Section 17, of the General Laws.

Finance Committee Recommendations—Continued

Article 21—Recommend \$4,000.00. ✓

Article 22—Recommend \$149,450.00. ✓

Article 23—Recommend \$15,500.00. ✓

Article 24—Recommend \$2,490.00. ✓

Article 25—Recommend \$3,300.00. ✓

Article 26—Recommend \$150.00. ✓

Article 27—Recommend to transfer \$8,000.00 from the Overlay Reserve Account. ✓

Article 28—Recommend \$1,052.16. ✓

Article 29—

✓

Article 30—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to bond the Town for Water Extensions on the following streets; such extensions to be 6 inches in size:

Lussier Street
 Harbeck Street
 Second Avenue
 Pershing Avenue
 Cushman Street

Article 31—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the proper maintenance of the Department of Building Inspector.

Article 32—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the proper maintenance of the Department of Inspector of Wires.

Article 33—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate and transfer from available water surplus a sum of \$10,960.07, and to appropriate a sum of \$17,500.00 from the Water Revenue of 1955, for the maintenance and operation of the Water Department, including Water Debt and interest.

Article 34—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the Long Plain Cemetery.

Article 35—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,932.88, necessary to be paid by said Town for the Pension Fund, the Special Fund for the fiscal year 1955, as provided for in Section 22 (7) (c) (ii) of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, (Ter. Ed.) as amended.

Article 36—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the Dog Fund.

Finance Committee Recommendations—Continued

Article 30—

Article 31—Recommend \$500.00. ✓

Article 32—Recommend \$500.00. ✓

Article 33—Recommend to transfer \$10,960.07 from available water surplus, and \$17,500.00 from the Water Revenue of 1955. ✓

Article 34—Recommend \$275.00. ✓

Article 35—Recommend \$4,932.88. ✓

Article 36—Recommend \$100.00. ✓

Article 37—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Christmas decorating of the Town Hall.

Article 38—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer the sum of \$14,000.00 for the construction of a Fire Department Building, and the purchase of land, in the northerly part of the town, or take any action relative thereto.

Article 39—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for an engineering survey of sewerage needs of the town as requested by the Mass. Dept. of Public Health; or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 40—To see if the Town will vote to close out the balance of the appropriation voted in 1952 for the School Survey Committee, and give the Committee a vote of thanks.

Article 41—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the moderator to appoint a five man school building committee, one of whom shall be a member of the Acushnet School Committee; to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 for the expenses of said school building committee and that the building committee membership be empowered to act as follows:

1. To determine the need for new school construction.
2. To select a suitable site for a new school building.
3. To check with the State Building Assistance Commission as to the availability of state aid.
- ~~4. To hire the services of a competent architect.~~
5. To present preliminary plans to the town at a regular or special town meeting, or to take any other action relative thereto.

Finance Committee Recommendations—Continued

Article 37—Recommend \$100.00. ✓

Article 38—Recommend \$14,000.00 from the Post War Rehabilitation Fund. 15,000.—

Article 39—
✓

Article 40—
1700.95 ✓




Article 41—
✓

Article 42—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,064.00 to reimburse Miss Mary Viera for attorney's fee and costs incurred in maintaining her civil service status as Junior Clerk in the town of Acushnet, or take any other action relative thereto. (By Petition).

Article 43—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from any available funds a sum of money for Chapter 90 Highway construction on Perry Hill Road (also known as Perry Street), or take any action in relation thereto. (By Petition).

Article 44—To see if the Town will vote to require all town departments to obtain competitive bids, by advertising in local newspaper, for all purchases or contracts for materials, supplies, and services when estimated to cost three hundred (\$300.00) dollars or more, and that such purchases or contracts for materials, supplies, shall be awarded to the lowest responsible bidder possessing the skill, ability and integrity necessary to the faithful performance of furnishing the materials, supplies required. Town departments shall reserve the right to reject any or all bids, if it is in the public interest to do so. (By Petition).

Article 45—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the laying of a Main Pipe in Cushman Street, a public way, easterly from James Street. Said Water Main to run 1,287 feet, more or less. (By Petition).

Finance Committee Recommendations—ContinuedArticle 42—Article 43—Article 44—Article 45—

Article 46—To see if the Town will vote to accept the following Street ^{as laid out} ~~Lays~~ on file in the Town Clerk's office:

Wamsutta Avenue, from east line of Main Street, easterly 1124 feet.

Park Drive, from easterly line of Lambert Street, easterly 1641 feet.

Tuttle — Manchester Lane, from easterly line of Main Street, easterly 1212.37 feet.

Pershing Avenue, from westerly line of Second Avenue, westerly to west line of Third Avenue, 430 feet.

Hayes Street, from easterly line of South Main Street, to westerly line of John Street, 901.97 feet.

Article 47—To see if the Town will vote to raise, appropriate and transfer from available funds, the sum of \$1,036.50 to re-imburse the estate of Mrs. Mary E. Sears, as an over-charge in closing out the estate under Chapter 801, Acts of 1951.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof (7) days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by the Board of Selectmen.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this Thirty-First day of January, A.D. 1955.

USTUS ARBOGAST
CLEMENT ST. AMAND, JR.
HENRY L. GUILBEAULT
Selectmen of Acushnet.


A True Copy Attest:

Constable of Acushnet.


February, 1955.

Finance Committee Recommendations—Continued

Article 46—



Article 47—



SYDNEY H. BURRELL, *Chairman*
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