

**Town Records and Reports**  
OF THE  
**TOWN OFFICERS**  
OF  
**ACUSHNET**  
MASSACHUSETTS



FOR THE  
**Year Ending December 31st**  
**1961**

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**DEDICATION**



PERLEY CHANDLER

Fire Inspector

ARTHUR FORAND

Long Plain Custodian

JAMES MAYMON

Highway Department

**DEDICATION**



**JOHN WALMSLEY**

Planning Board

**RALPH W. HUNT**

Finance Committee

**JOSEPH MELANCON**

Building Inspector

**AURIE DULUDE**

Auxiliary Police Officer



## REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

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To the Citizens of Acushnet:

We submit herewith our report for the year ending December 31, 1961.

At the initial meeting following the Town Elections, the Board met for the purpose of organization. At this meeting Elton A. Ashley was elected chairman of the board and Mrs. M. Laura Martel was reappointed clerk and secretary.

The Board met every Monday night, as in the past, at 7:00 P.M. in their offices at the Town Hall to hear petitioners and to administer the variety of duties connected with this office.

In our ever continuing endeavor to cope with the increasing problems attending the rapid and expansive growth of our community, the Board quite frequently found it necessary to meet on other week day nights.

The annual audit of the Town was conducted and Acushnet again maintains her very enviable position of being in fine financial condition. For the second year in succession we enter the new year with Free Cash in excess of \$85,000. This accomplishment can be directly attributed to the close supervision of Departmental budgets, fine co-operation of the Finance Committee and the excellent record of fiscal control by our Treasurer and Collector as well as an outstanding job of record keeping by the Town Accountant.

This year saw the long awaited reconstruction of Middle Road started with the installation of the drainage system that now extends from Ball's Corner to Harrison Avenue. The

spring will bring the completion of the first phases of the much needed Chapter 90 project. 1961 also saw Acushnet through the Board of Selectmen make full use of Chapter 90 Maintenance money in the form of \$9,000.00 worth of resurfacing done on North Main Street. Next year should see the completion of this resurfacing project that has now been going on in piece meal fashion over the past four or five years.

The year 1961 also saw the purchase of a new Police Cruiser and a new Highway Department truck and also the disposal by public auction of two trucks of an older vintage that had worn out their usefulness. Repairs to the Town Hall and Fire Station were also effected as well as the painting of the interior of the Fire Station. Ludlow Street and Park Drive were constructed during this year as well as the laying out of Tootle Lane, Clifford, Pleasant and Wamsutta Avenue.

This year also saw the appointment of a Town Forest Commission, improvements in the area of the Personnel Board and great progress by the Town Beach Committee who deserve so much credit for a job so well done. We saw the continuation of Student Government Day designed to familiarize the student body with the workings of town government. We were also pleased to have included in the Student Government Day activities the Parochial School pupils as well as the public schools. This year also saw the town's first observance of the July 4th holiday by virtue of a program of fun for all ages at Pope Park. We plan to continue this celebration this year.

State sponsored projects such as the laying of curbing and sidewalks along the east side of South Main Street northerly from the Fairhaven line, pedestrian stripes, drainage work in the vicinity of the Town Hall, and many other projects such as this can be directly credited to the fine work of our Representative William Q. MacLean.

Representation at the Area Redevelopment meetings, Hurricane Dike Committee, Surplus Foods Committee and many others of interest to the town have kept the board on top of all

of these projects throughout the year. The election of Chairman of the Board Elton A. Ashley as Secretary-Treasurer of the Bristol County Selectmen's Association has also added considerably to our standing and our prestige. The sponsorship by Selectman Charest of a bill that would compel banks and savings and loan associations to turn over tax monies twice annually is indeed a step towards helping not only Acushnet but also every other town in the Commonwealth. Support of House Bill 1206 is highly recommended as a means of eliminating the necessity of borrowing each year in anticipation of revenue from taxes. The long awaited Post Office suggested by and pressed for by Selectman St. Amand and his committee is now in the process of construction.

Various other improvements and accomplishments too numerous to mention, could here be noted; however, the Board in concluding this, its Annual Report, wishes to thank each and every resident of the Town of Acushnet for the effort, support and encouragement which they have given to the Board in trying to achieve our mutual ends: better town government.

The Board acknowledges also, the co-operation and assistance of the Town Departments. It is always gratifying to see that the various departments operated within their respective budgets.

Respectfully submitted,

ELTON A. ASHLEY  
GERARD CHAREST  
CLEMENT ST. AMAND, JR.  
*Board of Selectmen*

## **TOWN OFFICERS — 1961-1962**

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### **TOWN CLERK, TREASURER-COLLECTOR**

Allan L. Rawcliffe	Term Expires 1963
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### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND PUBLIC WELFARE**

Elton A. Ashley	Term Expires 1962
Gerard Charest	Term Expires 1963
Clement St. Amand, Jr.	Term Expires 1964

### **BOARD OF ASSESSORS**

Edward Dessert	Term Expires 1962
Eugene L. Dabrowski	Term Expires 1963
Rudolph H. Urbanek	Term Expires 1964

### **SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

William Fawcett, Jr.	Term Expires 1962
Harold Bates	Term Expires 1963
Leo T. Jackson	Term Expires 1964

### **BOARD OF HEALTH**

Louise F. Taber	Term Expires 1962
Sylvano Frates	Term Expires 1963
Joseph H. Lepage	Term Expires 1964

**COMMISSIONERS OF TRUST FUNDS**

Ovila Boule	Term Expires 1962
Francis D. O'Leary	Term Expires 1963
Donald P. Lowe	Term Expires 1964

**TRUSTEES OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Georgette A. Owen	Term Expires 1962
Frances E. Gifford	Term Expires 1963
Kenneth L. Vincent	Term Expires 1964

**CEMETERY BOARD**

Arthur L. Tripp	Term Expires 1962
Robert E. Parker	Term Expires 1963
Norman R. Burt	Term Expires 1964

**MODERATOR**

A. P. Stuart Gilmore	Term Expires 1962
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**PARK COMMISSIONERS**

Everett Booker	Term Expires 1962
August R. Cote	Term Expires 1963
Edmond A. Richard	Term Expires 1964

**PLANNING BOARD**

Raymond Henry Gonneville	Term Expires 1962
Roland Benoit	Term Expires 1963
Edward Hall	Term Expires 1964
John Walmsley	Term Expires 1965
Conrad Richard	Term Expires 1966



## RESULTS OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION MARCH 6, 1961

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Voters per Annual Register at close of Registration February 14, 1961:

### Precinct I

Men	463	
Women	483	
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### Precinct II

Men	713	
Women	741	
	<hr/>	1454

### Precinct III

Men	202	
Women	218	
	<hr/>	420
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		2820

## SELECTMEN, MEMBER OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

### Three Years

	Precinct			
	I	II	III	Total
Clement St. Amand, Jr.	353	472	211	1036
Ayres A. Sequeira	288	384	63	735
Blanks	3	6	5	14
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	644	862	279	1785

**ASSESSOR****Three Years**

J. James St. Don	226	384	146	756
Rudolph H. Urbanek	397	458	128	983
A. P. Stuart Gilmore	0	0	1	1
Blanks	21	20	4	45
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	644	862	279	1785

**TREE WARDEN****One Year**

Joseph E. M. Boisclair	432	541	85	1058
Henry J. Otocky	164	267	186	617
Blanks	48	54	8	110
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	644	862	279	1785

**MEMBER OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE****Three Years**

Leo T. Jackson	327	520	213	1060
Joao M. Acucena	266	298	60	624
Blanks	51	44	6	101
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**BOARD OF HEALTH****Three Years**

Joseph H. Lapage	297	367	103	767
Emile R. Houle	157	312	128	597
Louis O. Martin	167	161	36	364
Blanks	23	22	12	57
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**COMMISSIONER OF TRUST FUNDS****Three Years**

Donald P. Lowe	1	2	2	5
Leo T. Jackson	1	0	0	1
Frederick J. Gautreau	0	0	1	1
Earle C. Burt	0	1	3	4
A. P. Stuart Gilmore	0	0	4	4
Ovila Boule	0	0	1	1
Ayres A. Sequeira	1	0	1	2
Conrad Ledoux	1	0	0	1
Benjamin T. Briggs	1	0	0	1
Raymond Broadhurst	0	2	0	2
David L. Rawcliffe	0	1	0	1
Peter F. Murphy	0	1	0	1
Fabienne LaBelle	0	0	1	1
Blanks	639	855	266	1760
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**TRUSTEE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY****Three Years**

Kenneth L. Vincent	516	677	228	1421
Blanks	128	185	51	364
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**MEMBER OF CEMETERY BOARD****Three Years**

Norman R. Burt	505	681	224	1421
Blanks	139	181	55	364
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**MODERATOR****One Year**

A. P. Stuart Gilmore	22	29	145	196
J. James St. Don	1	7	1	9

Henry L. Guilbeault	0	0	1	1
John F. Rowson	1	0	0	1
Carl A. Perry	2	1	0	3
Ustus Arbogast	0	2	0	2
Edwin E. Brackett	0	1	0	1
Blanks	618	822	132	1572
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**PARK COMMISSIONER****Three Years**

Edmond A. Richard	391	471	142	1004
Herbert E. Dunham	117	162	49	328
John J. Porte	110	195	64	369
Blanks	26	34	24	84
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**PLANNING BOARD****Five Years**

Conrad Richard	514	677	244	1435
A. P. Stuart Gilmore	0	2	1	3
Walter E. Tripp, Jr.	0	0	1	1
Blanks	130	183	33	346
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**OFFICERS APPOINTED  
BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

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**FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Manuel Resendes	Term Expires 1962
Edward Allaire	Term Expires 1962
Joseph J. Baron (To Fill Vacancy)	Term Expires 1962
Richard Barry	Term Expires 1963
Armand Cournoyer	Term Expires 1963
Donald W. White	Term Expires 1963
Frank Grandon	Term Expires 1964
Armand Bertrand	Term Expires 1964
A. P. Stuart Gilmore	Term Expires 1964

**POLICE COMMISSIONERS**

Elton A. Ashley	Term Expires 1962
Gerard Charest	Term Expires 1963
Clement St. Amand, Jr.	Term Expires 1964

**CONSTABLE**

James E. Hyde

**KEEPER OF THE LOCKUP**

Thomas Cawley

**DOG OFFICER**

David R. White

**RESERVE POLICE OFFICERS**

Matthew Niziolek

Omer Pineau

Oscar H. Forand  
Edwin E. Brackett  
Sylvano Frates

Joseph F. Resendes  
Joseph Fagundes  
John Walmsley

Antonio Cambra

**FIRE CHIEF, FOREST WARDEN, INSPECTOR OF GARAGES**

Everett Booker

**DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF**

Armand Langevin

**REGISTRARS OF VOTERS**

Lucien Letendre	Term Expires 1962
Arthur G. LeBlanc	Term Expires 1963
Theophile E. Cote	Term Expires 1964

**CLERK, BOARD OF SELECTMEN AND PUBLIC WELFARE,  
TOWN ACCOUNTANT**

M. Laura Martel

**PERSONNEL BOARD**

Floyd E. Templeton	Term Expires 1962
Warren L. Davis	Term Expires 1963
Herman B. Morse	Term Expires 1963
Joseph A. Guilbeault	Term Expires 1964
Valmore H. Gonneville	Term Expires 1964

**SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS**

Louis Dunham

**MOTH SUPERINTENDENT**

(Insect Pest Control, Dutch Elm Disease)

Joseph E. M. Boisclair

**VETERAN'S AGENT**

Arsene Cusson

**BURIAL AGENT FOR INDIGENT SOLDIERS AND SAILORS  
VETERANS' GRAVES OFFICER**

Stanley Stopka

**TOWN COUNSEL**  
Ferdinand B. Sowa

**CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR**  
Charles M. Gibbs

**CIVIL DEFENSE LIAISON OFFICER**  
Lionel Ferreira

**CIVIL DEFENSE AUXILIARY POLICE OFFICERS**

John Cunha, Lieutenant  
Arthur A. Lafrenais, Sergeant  
David L. Rawcliffe, Supply Sergeant

Harold Bates	Maurice Dion
Richard Gerard	Arnold J. Machado
John Tavares	Charles P. Swift
Joseph G. Lafrenais	Joaquim Santos
Donald Lowe	Aurie Dulude
Fausto Paulino	Edward W. Hall

Aurele Ouimette

**CIVIL DEFENSE — RESCUE SQUAD**

Valmore H. Gonneville	Lin Brown
Ernest J. Letendre	Dennis Gautreau
Leonard Spooner	Thomas Wunschel

Walter E. Tripp, Jr.

**PUBLIC WEIGHERS**

John F. Hatch, Jr.	Samuel F. Stowell, Jr.
Arthur L. Gaudreau	Anton Brockelman
William R. Balderson, Jr.	Karl Svendsen

**ELECTION OFFICERS****Precinct I**

Henry O. Saucier	Warden
Sarah Hyde	Clerk
Blanche Meunier	Inspector
Mildred G. Mellor	Inspector
Doris L. Laiscell	Inspector
Eva Linhares	Inspector
Alice Carol Belanger	Deputy Inspector
Lucille C. Golas	Deputy Inspector

**Precinct II**

Jacqueline B. Allain	Warden
Arlette Lapalme	Clerk
Louise Norton	Inspector
Aurora Almeida	Inspector
Doris Girard	Inspector
Beulah A. Lowe	Inspector
Bertha St. Don	Inspector
William D. Boucher	Deputy Inspector
Lois T. Pinchbeck	Deputy Inspector

**Precinct III**

Emily H. Dunbar	Warden
Maria A. Leconte	Clerk
Carolyn S. Gilmore	Inspector
Lucy M. Westgat	Inspector
Olive M. Laycock	Inspector
Annie V. McKowen	Inspector
Edna Ronan	Deputy Inspector
Doris St. Amand	Deputy Inspector

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## REPORT OF THE BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

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There were a total of 85 cases receiving Old Age Assistance during the year. Of this amount 58 were Acushnet settled, 13 had settlements in other cities and towns, and 14 cases were State settled.

Annual Appropriation	\$47,314.40
Balance U. S. Grants and Administration	5,304.22
U. S. Grants: Old Age Assistance	38,485.47
U. S. Grants: Old Age Assistance Adm.	2,736.81
Recoveries and Refunds	1,789.00

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\$95,629.90

### Expenditures

Cash Grants	\$70,205.92
Paid to Other Cities and Towns	2,602.90
Administration	6,391.52

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\$79,200.34

Unexpended Balance Town Appropriation	3,904.04
Unexpended Balance U. S. Grants	12,502.99
Unexpended Balance U. S. Grants Adm.	22.53

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\$95,629.90

## MEDICAL ASSISTANCE FOR THE AGED

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There were a total of 17 cases aided on Medical Assistance for the Aged during the year.

Annual Appropriation	\$17,959.30
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U. S. Grants: Medical Assistance for the Aged	18,078.66
U. S. Grants: Medical Assistance for the Aged Adm.	336.36
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	\$36,374.32

**Expenditures**

Cash Grants	\$33,159.64
Administration	680.00
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	\$33,839.64
Unexpended Balance U. S. Grants	2,437.52
Unexpended Balance U. S. Grants Adm.	97.16
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	\$36,374.32

ELTON A. ASHLEY  
GERARD CHAREST  
CLEMENT ST. AMAND, JR.  
*Board of Public Welfare*

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## AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

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There were a total of 22 cases aided on Aid to Dependent Children during the year.

Annual Appropriation	\$15,167.45
Balance U. S. Grants and Adm.	327.71
U. S. Grants: Aid to Dependent Children	12,641.50
U. S. Grants: Aid to Dependent Children Adm.	2,677.99
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	\$30,814.65

### Expenditures

Cash Grants	\$25,414.91
Administration	2,668.32
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	\$28,083.23
Unexpended Balance Town Appropriation	46.64
Unexpended Balance U. S. Grants	1,730.25
Unexpended Balance U. S. Grants Adm.	954.53
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	\$30,814.65

## DISABILITY ASSISTANCE

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There were eight cases aided on Disability Assistance during the year.

Annual Appropriation	\$8,749.25
Balance U. S. Grants and Adm.	25.81
U. S. Grants: Disability Assistance	3,862.10

U. S. Grants: Disability Assistance Adm.	205.70
Refunds	73.00
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	\$12,915.86
<b>Expenditures</b>	
Cash Grants	\$9,248.83
Administration	528.21
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	\$9,777.04
Unexpended Balance: Town Appropriation	2,357.02
Unexpended Balance: U. S. Grants	730.16
Unexpended Balance: U. S. Grants Adm.	51.64
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	\$12,915.86

ELTON A. ASHLEY  
GERARD CHAREST  
CLEMENT ST. AMAND, JR.  
*Board of Public Welfare*

### **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, 1961.

Annual Appropriation		\$4,000.00
Cash Grants to Individuals	\$601.63	
Groceries	260.00	
Fuel Oil	19.60	
Medical Assistance	32.48	
Burial	143.00	
Nursing Home Care	125.45	
Paid to Other Cities and Towns	2,176.81	
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	\$3,358.97	
Unexpended Balance	641.03	
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		\$4,000.00

There were eight cases aided during the year.

## CLASSIFICATION OF PAYMENTS

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### General Government

Moderator	\$20.00	
Town Reports and Warrants	1,088.20	
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Selectmen:		
Salaries Board of Selectmen and Public Welfare	2,200.00	
Clerk	1,560.00	
Office Supplies, Equipment	559.47	
Telephone	266.10	
Dues, Advertising	40.92	
Student Government Day	165.10	
Engineering Services	61.00	
Middle Road Engineer's Site	72.15	
Town Meeting Tellers	8.75	
Travel Expenses	196.27	
Legal Fees	543.00	
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Town Accountant:		
Salary	1,560.00	
Printing and Postage	78.29	
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Elections and Registrations:		
Election Officers	341.66	
Election Headquarters	15.00	
Registrars	641.25	
Clerical Work	100.00	
Assistant Registrars	184.42	
Printing, Supplies	100.58	
	<hr/>	1,382.91

## Treasurer and Collector:

Treasurer and Collector's Salary	4,500.00	
Clerks	5,541.58	
Office Supplies, Equipment, Dues	2,117.93	
Surety Bond	153.85	
Telephone	202.30	
Burglary Insurance	80.98	
Recording Tax Title Takings	274.80	
Advertising Collector's Takings	73.53	
Travel Expenses	202.04	
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## Assessors:

Salaries	1,600.00	
Clerk	2,455.12	
Equipment, Supplies	714.13	
Telephone, Advertising, Dues	118.89	
Listing Conveyances of Land	120.00	
Travel Expenses	49.01	
Sectional Plotting	500.00	
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## Town Clerk:

Salary	150.00	
Recording Vital Statistics	250.00	
Recording Street Layouts	25.00	
Equipment, Supplies, Postage	542.80	
Surety Bond	19.50	
Book Binding	88.20	
	<hr/>	1,075.50

## Finance Committee:

Dues	25.00	
Clerk	65.00	
Supplies	18.90	
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## Planning Board

Typing Services	12.00	
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Supplies	2.25	
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Tree Warden		150.00
Town Hall and Offices		
Custodian's Salary	2,692.50	
Fuel	1,474.56	
Lights, Water	651.79	
Supplies, Equipment	420.24	
Advertising	27.68	
Repairing Furnace	120.00	
Painting Interior of Fire Station	225.00	
Roofing No. 1 Fire Station	368.68	
Installing Wind Shelter	139.95	
	<hr/>	6,120.40
Police Department:		
Chief's Salary	4,212.00	
Police Officers	14,406.90	
Office Supplies Dues	294.35	
Telephone	299.89	
Gasoline, Tires, Repairs	1,317.17	
Insurance	130.00	
Repair of Equipment	49.67	
Keeper of the Lock-up	79.00	
Out of State Expenses	100.00	
	<hr/>	20,888.98
Fire Department:		
Chief's Salary	3,377.00	
Firemen	3,756.96	
Office Supplies, Dues	231.23	
Telephone	838.46	
Lights	87.95	
Bulldozing Dump Fire	199.00	
Accident Insurance	161.85	
Travel Expenses	8.00	
Equipment	895.68	
Gasoline, Oil, Repairs	536.55	

Fuel Oil	181.58	
	<hr/>	10,274.26
New Cruiser Car		2,380.86
Sealer of Weights and Measures		300.00
Building Department:		
Building Inspector	550.00	
Supplies, Travel Expenses	48.72	
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Wire Department:		
Wire Inspector	750.00	
Supplies, Travel Expenses	43.03	
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Civil Defense:		
Lights, Water	40.91	
Salary—Director	180.00	
Salary—Liaison Officer	180.00	
Equipment, Supplies	442.79	
Uniforms	154.36	
Fuel	97.56	
Advertising	6.06	
Gasoline, Registrations	20.35	
	<hr/>	1,122.03
Rescue Squad:		
Panel Truck	725.00	
Equipment	275.00	
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Dog Officer:		
Salary	200.00	
Care and Disposal of Dogs	208.00	
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Inspector of Animals		115.00
Sewer Pumping Charges:		
Paid to City of New Bedford		171.00
Board of Health:		
Salaries	525.00	
Nurse	4,516.00	



Assistant Nurse	582.00	
School Physician	1,200.00	
Dental Clinic	1,106.80	
Travel Expenses	414.93	
Office Supplies, Postage	175.39	
Medical Attendance	20.00	
Telephone	206.02	
Dues	2.00	
Medical Supplies	193.47	
Participation Tuberculosis Program	385.59	
Pre-Mature Births	1,104.00	
Legal Fees	35.00	
Garbage Collection	1,992.00	
Burial of Animals	43.00	
Inspections	34.92	
	<hr/>	12,536.12
Long Plain Cemetery:		
Care of Lots and Openings		375.00
Highway Department:		
Superintendent's Salary	3,704.70	
Labor	25,055.70	
Hire of Equipment—Snow Removal and Sanding	5,674.21	
Grader and Bulldozer Rental	3,947.82	
Gasoline, Oil, Truck Repairs	4,204.69	
Sand, Gravel, Road Oil	7,859.48	
Equipment and Repairs	990.79	
Lights, Fuel	591.32	
Telephone	238.00	
Advertising, Freight, Signs	153.75	
Engineering Services	141.00	
Welding Guard Rails	110.25	
Cleaning Sand Catchers	288.75	
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New Dump Truck		5,993.33
Chapter 90 Maintenance:		
Labor	551.25	

Advertising, Paint, Brushes	30.78	
Police Duty	20.00	
Bituminous Concrete (contract work)	8,396.89	
	<hr/>	8,998.92
Street Lights:		
Paid to City of New Bedford		6,908.68
Dutch Elm Disease:		
Removal of Trees		1,602.30
Reconstruction—Main Street (Bridge)		1,375.47
Reconstruction—Wing Road		241.04
Reconstruction—Park Drive		1,000.00
Reconstruction—Pembroke Avenue		2,736.43
Reconstruction—Middle Road (Chapter 90)		20,533.91
Layout of Tootle Lane		250.00
Layout of Pleasant Street		300.00
Layout of Martelle, Coulombe and Dayton Streets		225.00
Land Taking—Middle Road		1,725.50
Land Taking—Mendall Hathaway and Mattapoissett Road		32.72
Legal Fees, Middle Road Taking		556.52
General Relief:		
Grants	601.63	
Burial	143.00	
Nursing Home Care	125.45	
Groceries	260.00	
Fuel	19.60	
Medical Assistance	32.48	
Paid to Other Cities and Towns	2,176.81	
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Old Age Assistance:		
Grants	70,205.92	
Paid to Other Cities and Towns	2,602.90	
Salaries	5,598.60	
Supplies, Postage	792.92	
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Aid to Dependent Children:		
Grants	25,414.91	

Salaries	2,450.74	
Supplies	217.58	
	<hr/>	28,083.23
Disability Assistance:		
Grants	9,248.83	
Salaries	528.21	
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Medical Assistance for the Aged:		
Grants	33,159.64	
Salaries	680.00	
	<hr/>	33,839.64
Old Age Assistance Recoveries		79.60
Veterans' Benefits:		
Agent's Salary	700.00	
Office Supplies	78.93	
Ordinary Grants	6,246.43	
Fuel	833.00	
Medical Assistance	4,576.58	
Burial	250.00	
	<hr/>	12,684.94
Schools:		
Superintendent's Salary	7,800.00	
Clerk	2,756.00	
Supervisor School Attendance	200.00	
Office Supplies, Postage	249.46	
Telephone	1,006.96	
Travel Expenses	334.04	
Advertising, Dues	24.71	
Teachers' Salaries	137,075.03	
Books and Supplies	5,948.04	
Tuition	90,885.45	
Transportation	56,814.40	
Janitors' Salaries	21,284.60	
Fuel and Lights	11,309.78	
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds	5,450.22	
Graduation Expenses	140.41	
Medical Supplies	48.07	

Athletic Equipment, Supervision and Transportation	895.61	
	<hr/>	342,222.78
School Building Committee Expenses:		
Travel Expenses	59.10	
Telephone	66.65	
	<hr/>	125.75
School Milk and Lunch Program:		
Salaries—Cafeteria Personnel	5,320.00	
Food Supplies	4,846.34	
Milk	5,897.76	
Freight, Maintenance	117.33	
	<hr/>	16,181.43
New Junior High School:		
Architect's Fees	128.31	
Contract Work	3,580.80	
Equipment, Books, Supplies	8,386.56	
Advertising	14.71	
Loam	305.00	
Landscaping	1,551.60	
	<hr/>	13,966.98
Free Public Library:		
Librarian	785.00	
Assistants	804.00	
Janitress	480.00	
Books	247.07	
Advertising	17.30	
Care of Grounds	1,930.50	
Supplies, Postage	121.15	
Fuel	256.15	
Water, Lights	177.83	
	<hr/>	4,819.00
Park Department:		
Labor	1,279.87	
Printing, Advertising	33.10	
Equipment, Supplies	384.75	
Rental of Equipment	28.00	

Chain Link Fence	212.00	
Water	16.50	
Gas, Oil	40.85	
Picnic Tables	200.00	
Press Booth	265.00	
Maintenance of Buildings	216.50	
	<hr/>	2,676.57
Water Department:		
Foreman's Salary	3,559.80	
Clerk	780.00	
Labor	3,585.73	
Notes and Interest	5,729.00	
Telephone	232.31	
Office Supplies, Freight, Advertising	248.73	
Water	8,278.26	
Blasting	295.00	
Equipment and Repairs	937.83	
Gas, Oil, Registrations	278.73	
Gravel, Sand, Mix	145.92	
Hire of Equipment	162.05	
Pipe and Fittings	1,844.79	
Meters and Fittings	1,940.47	
Gate Valves and Boxes	1,134.69	
Copper Tubing	1,019.72	
Hydrants	510.73	
	<hr/>	30,683.76
Water Main—Park Drive		1,400.00
Debt and Interest:		
Debt	34,000.00	
Interest	21,240.00	
	<hr/>	55,240.00
Temporary Loans	100,000.00	
Interest on Temporary Loans	312.26	
	<hr/>	100,312.26
Insurance on Public Buildings		2,685.37
Insurance on Town Motor Fleet		2,103.44
Bristol County Dog Licenses		1,107.25

Pension Fund	7,358.60
Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital	5,645.17
Federal Tax Deductions	37,481.80
State Tax	2,842.89
Teachers' Retirement	7,903.45
Bristol County Retirement	5,772.02
Blue Cross/Blue Shield	4,286.04
Life Insurance Deductions	759.24
Group Insurance	4,986.97
Lease—City of New Bedford Property	1.00
Mosquito Control (Assessment)	50.00
Improvement of Lake Street Recreational Site	545.00
Christmas Decorations	240.08
Memorial Purposes	430.08
July 4th Celebration	300.00
Improvement of Friend's Lot	469.40

## Agency Accounts:

County Tax	17,232.99	
State Parks	2,676.24	
State Audit	1,020.52	
Bristol County Mosquito Control	1,990.21	
	<hr/>	22,919.96

## Trust Funds:

Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	436.24	
Cemetery Additional Care Fund	66.50	
Russell Protestant Poor Fund	202.00	
Cemetery Beautification Care Fund	75.00	
Russell Memorial Library Fund	327.85	
	<hr/>	1,107.59

## Refunds:

Taxes, 1960	340.00
Taxes, 1961	413.35
Poll Taxes, 1961	8.00
Personal, Taxes, 1961	13.70

Motor Vehicle Excise, 1960	644.74	
Motor Vehicle Excise, 1961	1,006.47	
	<hr/>	2,426.26
Total Disbursements for 1961		<hr/> \$1,038,452.55

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## JURY LIST

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

George Doucette, 100 Main Street	Carpenter
Leo Boucher, 184 South Main Street	Transporter
John Walmsley, 41 Boylston Street	Retired
Alice Tripp, 53 Perry Street	Housewife
Helenda Bergeron, 191 South Main Street	Housewife
Armand Bergeron, 590 Middle Road	Bartender
Raymond Lapalme, 11 Saucier Street	Headerman
Armand Boucher, 8 Boylston Street	Foreman
Albert Fortin, 230A Main Street	Tool and Die Maker
Fred J. Avery, 175 South Main Street	Mechanic
Rudolph H. Urbanek, 50 Lawson Avenue	Realtor
Frederick J. Gautreau, 65 Slocum Street	Machinist
Joseph Janik, 272 Hamlin Street	Pressman
Beatrice G. Ferreira, 44 Slocum Street	Press Operator
William Smith, 255 Hamlin Street	Boiler Maker
Ovide Languedoc, 8 Cushman Street	Manager
John C. Rocha, 94 James Street	Reamer
Sam S. Trantham, 60 Wing Road	Weaver
Keith O. Santos, 1149 Main Street	Farmer
Omer Fournier, 157 Nye's Lane	Mill Worker
Eva Linhares, 39 Rock Street	Housewife
Patricia Ann Deschamps, 229 Hamlin Street	Service Girl
Rose St. Clair, 14 Conduit Street	Packer
David Pimental, 64 Park Drive	Mechanic
Manuel Cambra, 30 Coury Drive	Fabric Worker
Louis O. Martin, 10 Hope Street	Truck Driver
Alton L. Dunbar, Lake Street	Retired
John Tavares, 62 Cushman Street	Machine Operator



Diogene Dulude, 43 Slocum Street	Shoe Repairer
Edward Farfalowski, 15 Coulombe Street	Truck Driver
Maurice L. Langevin, 16 Nye Avenue	Pressman
Roger F. Verroneau, 200 South Main Street	Blocker
Eugene Bonville, 138 South Main Street	Shearer
Regina Warsoski, 11 Harbeck Street	Assembler
Susan Ashley, 1027 Main Street	Housewife
George Lapalme, 120 James Street	Pressman
May Collins, 110 Main Street	Housewife
Marion Poirier, 14 Hope Street	Inspector
Harriet Lauzon, 367 Middle Road	Housewife
Floyd Templeton, 1357 Main Street	Method Engineer
Edward Hall, 26 Nye Avenue	Supervisor
Barbara V. Perrault, 225 Robinson Road	Housewife
Stephen McCann, 74 Main Street	Rubber Worker
Frank A. Souza, 2 New York Avenue	Spinner
Juliette Rezendes, 206 South Main Street	Tester
Violet Abram, 11 Pembroke Avenue	Receptionist
Antonio Finnoch, 42 Prouteau Street	Planning
Laura Dulude, 43 Slocum Street	Clerk
Emile D. Gonneville, 204 South Main Street	Social Worker
John Sylvia, 27 Garfield Street	Tractor Operator
Norman J. Choquette, 13 Pershing Avenue	Weaver
Napoleon Poisson, 15 St. Lawrence Street	Brewery Worker
Raymond L. Mercier, 12 Cleveland Street	Salesman
Rose Engel, 5 Guillotte Street	Inspector
Loretta Finocchi, 42 Prouteau Street	Inspector
Edward Messier, 106 Main Street	Inspector
Joseph Rogers, 26 Slocum Street	Supervisor
George Fagundes, 22 Highland Street	Welder

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## ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

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### Receipts

#### Taxes

##### Current Year

Real Estate	\$322,158.47
Personal	80,580.71
Polls	2,972.00
Motor Vehicle Excise	52,333.93
Farm Animal Excise	622.26
	<hr/> \$458,667.37

##### Previous Years:

Motor Vehicle Excise, 1959	96.86
Motor Vehicle Excise, 1960	17,488.97
	<hr/> 17,585.83

#### Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Income Tax	10,584.00
Corporation Tax Business	25,895.29
Old Age Meal Tax	3,797.76
School Transportation	34,645.30
School Aid	58,926.26
Vocational Education	20,581.38
State Wards	2,059.84
Chapter 90 Maintenance	5,842.10
Chapter 90 Reconstruction—Middle Rd.	3,261.38
Chapter 90 Main Street (Bridge)	1,260.73
Veterans' Benefits	7,031.79
Abatement—Clause 22, Sec. 5, Ch. 59	74.70
School Construction	12,947.47
	<hr/> 186,908.00

#### County of Bristol:

Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,843.47
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Dog Licenses	1,101.25	
Care and Disposal of Dogs	161.00	
Dog Fund	660.79	
	<hr/>	4,766.51
Water Rates and Services	30,772.35	
Water—Interest and Costs	104.50	
	<hr/>	30,876.85
Water Liens Redemptions		310.75
Tax Title Redemptions		3,608.96
Licenses:		
Alcoholic	8,400.00	
Common Victualler	55.00	
Automatic Amusement	100.00	
Special Malt Beverages	15.00	
Sunday Store	75.00	
Sunday Entertainment	423.00	
Dance Licenses	30.00	
Roller Skating Licenses	1.75	
Registration of Petroleum Licenses	18.00	
Used Car Dealers Class II	261.00	
Used Car Dealers Class III	144.00	
Junk License	36.00	
Firearms Sales License	10.00	
Peddler's License	11.00	
Auctioneer's License	2.00	
	<hr/>	9,581.75
Treasurer and Collector:		
Interest on Taxes, Tax Titles, Demands	377.69	
Interest on Motor Vehicle Excise	100.83	
	<hr/>	478.52
Town Clerk:		
Street and Voting Lists		37.19
Board of Health:		
Milk Licenses	19.00	
Trailer Park Fees	1,324.50	
Oleomargarine	9.00	
Garbage Transportation	7.00	

Day Nursery	1.00	
Massage License	1.00	
Day Camp License	1.00	
Septic Tank Permits	4.00	
Pasteurization	30.00	
Dessert Mfg. License	5.00	
Nurse's Fees	193.50	
Cities and Towns	336.00	
	<hr/>	1,931.00
Police Department:		
Court Fines	131.00	
Bicycle Registrations	18.25	
Pistol Permits	29.00	
Accident Reports	34.00	
	<hr/>	212.25
Fire Department:		
L & P Gas Installation Permits	3.50	
Oil Burner Installation Permits	18.50	
Oil Storage Permits	35.00	
Reimbursements—Gammons Road Fire	156.00	
	<hr/>	213.00
Wire Permits		303.00
Building Permits		285.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures		57.55
Library Fines		55.25
Charities:		
U. S. Grants:		
Old Age Assistance	38,485.47	
Old Age Assistance Adm.	2,736.81	
Medical Assistance for the Aged	18,078.69	
Med. Assistance for the Aged Adm.	336.36	
Aid to Dependent Children	12,641.50	
Aid to Dependent Children Adm.	2,677.99	
Disability Assistance	3,862.10	
Disability Assistance Adm.	205.70	
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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Old Age Assistance	18,444.89	
Old Age Assistance Adm.	1,373.69	
Medical Assistance for the Aged	10,565.42	
Medical Assist. for the Aged Adm.	168.19	
Aid to Dependent Children	8,027.35	
Aid to Dependent Children Adm.	1,360.99	
Disability Assistance	3,316.66	
Disability Assistance Adm.	102.86	
	<hr/>	43,360.05

## Cities and Towns:

Old Age Assistance	2,725.92	
General Relief	350.00	
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## Old Age Assistance Recoveries

2,065.51

## Temporary Loans

100,000.00

## Miscellaneous:

Auction (Highway Machinery)	100.00
July 4th Celebration	98.55
Town of Acushnet Trustee—Holding Acct.	70.76
Federal Deductions	37,481.80
Teachers' Retirement	7,903.45
Bristol County Retirement	5,772.02
Group Insurance	762.48
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	4,302.86
State Tax	2,842.89
Employer's Compensation State Tax	35.03
Dividend Collector's Bond	23.13
Dividend Treasurer's Savings	531.20
Commission Telephone Pay Station	46.61
Reimbursement on Postage	6.22
Sewer Pumping Charges	171.00
Sewer Deposit	50.00
Special School Milk and Lunch Fund	16,993.74
Care of Lots and Graves	93.00
Post War Rehabilitation	403.48
Refund, Veterans' Benefits	36.67

Refund, Old Age Assistance	46.35	
Refund, Disability Assistance	73.00	
Refund, General Relief	45.00	
Refund, Fire Department	3.68	
Refund, Middle Road Taking	3.11	
Refund, Treasurer and Collector	18.50	
School—Eastern States Farmers Ex.		
Dividend	.83	
Trust Funds:		
Sylvia P. Manter Trust Fund	1,194.11	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	436.24	
Cemetery Additional Care Fund	66.50	
Russell Protestant Poor Fund	202.00	
Cemetery Beautification and Extra Care		
Fund	75.00	
Allen and Rhoda R. Russell Library Fund	327.85	
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		2,301.70
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Total Receipts for 1961		\$1,023,621.94

# TOWN OF ACUSHNET — BALANCE SHEET

For the Year Ending December 31, 1961

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Cash	\$148,182.96	Motor Vehicle Excise Revenue	\$10,624.03
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes, 1961	10,624.03	Tax Titles Revenue	9,017.77
Tax Titles:		Tax Possessions Revenue	5,386.71
Levy of 1959	964.71	Departmental Revenue	3,305.23
Levy of 1960	6,234.81	Water Revenue	530.67
Levy of 1961	1,818.25	Aid to Highways Revenue:	
Tax Possessions	5,386.71	Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,998.63
Accounts Receivable:		Reconstruction—Middle Road	26,738.62
Aid to Dependent Children	2,609.15	Loans Authorized Unissued	20,000.00
Old Age Assistance	696.08	Sewer Deposits	50.00
Water Rates and Services	530.67	Life Insurance Deductions	6.48
State and County:		Blue Cross-Blue Shield	34.28
Chapter 90 Maintenance	2,998.63	Town of Acushnet Trustee—Holding Account	70.76
Reconstruction—Middle Road	26,738.62	Surplus War Bonus	1,528.91
Loans Authorized	20,000.00	Bristol County Dog Licenses	3.50
Agency Accounts—State and County	62.25	Unclaimed Checks	181.60
Overlay, 1960	446.25	Sale of Foreclosed Property Fund	2,517.42
		Special School Milk and Lunch Fund	1,845.80

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Overlay Reserve	7,324.84
Excess and Deficiency	85,644.69
Water Surplus	8,883.56
Civil Defense	70.58
Middle Road Layout	1,500.00
Martelle, Coulombe and Dayton Streets Layout	112.90
Wamsutta Avenue Layout	100.00
Clifford Street Layout	325.00
Lambert Street Layout	125.00
DeBalsi Property Damages	3,800.00
Reconstruction of Middle Road	2,727.47
Curbings and Sidewalks (Betterment Act)	1,100.03
U. S. Grants:	
Old Age Assistance	12,502.99
Old Age Assistance Administration	22.53
Medical Assistance for the Aged	2,437.55
Old Age Assistance Recoveries	373.60
Medical Assistance for the Aged Adm.	97.16
Aid to Dependent Children	1,730.25
Aid to Dependent Children Adm.	954.53
Disability Assistance	730.16



Disability Assistance Administration	51.64
New Junior High School	7,391.36
Lease of City of New Bedford (Lake St.)	4.00
Veteran's World War II Memorial	162.00
Water System Survey	2,500.00
Surface Water Drains	1,780.87
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	\$227,293.12
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	\$227,293.12

### Debt Accounts

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	\$516,000.00
Water Loan of 1952	\$18,000.00
Water Loan of 1955	10,000.00
Surface Water Drains Loan of 1958	8,000.00
School Project Loan:	
Ch. 44 G.L. Inside Limit	90,000.00
Ch. 645 Acts of 1948 Outside Limit	390,000.00
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	\$516,000.00
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M. LAURA MARTEL,  
Town Accountant

## TRUST FUND ACCOUNTS

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Trust Funds: Cash and Securities:	
In Custody of Town Treasurer	\$93,680.53
Russell Fund for Care of Town Hall	\$3,280.43
Russell Public School Fund	7,592.96
Russell Protestant Poor Fund	15,709.31
Henry H. Rogers Gift Fund	1,149.98
Allen & Rhoda R. Russell Library Fund	8,671.67
Russell Memorial Library Maintenance Fund	8,386.44
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	12,158.66
Cemetery Additional Fund	1,503.00
Cemetery Special Care Fund	436.43
Acushnet Cemetery Corporation	863.12
Cemetery Beautification and Extra Care Fund	2,580.88
Sylvia P. Manter Fund for Public Schools	31,347.65
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	\$93,680.53
R. N. Swift Board of Health Fund	6,056.89

M. LAURA MARTEL,  
*Town Accountant*

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## REPORT OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

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To the Officers and Townspeople of Acushnet:

We, the Park Board, would like to express our deepest sympathy to the family of Mr. John Walmsley who passed away October 30, 1961. He was employed as a laborer at the Park.

The annual report of the Board of Park Commissioners, together with reports on Youth Activities, Playground under the control of this Board is herewith presented in accordance with provisions of law, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1961.

The Board held 15 meetings during the year. The Board organized in March for the ensuing year, re-elected to the Board was Edmond A. Richard. He was also elected chairman.

Bids for a press booth and 10 picnic tables were advertised for April and awarded to the lowest bidder, namely, Mr. Joseph Francis \$200.00; Morin & Pepin \$390.00, for 10 picnic tables. For press booth Joseph Francis \$265.00; Dartmouth Construction \$372.00; Abbe Landscapers \$760.00

Requests were received from athletic clubs for use of diamonds during the season, in response to a letter sent out asking that all clubs submit their schedules previous to the March board meeting. This proved to be a most satisfactory procedure, allowing assignments to be made in advance of practice and play. The park has been as well kept as our appropriation would permit.

We have at Pope Park for the first time a family picnic area with 10 new picnic tables. A new Little League press booth and a kiddie land donated by the Acushnet Lions Club, which consists of swings, slides, see-saws and acrobatic bar, for which we are very grateful. The Little League outfield has been graded and reseeded, thanks to Eddie Church and other Little League members for donating their services; White's Dairy, for donating bulldozers, trucks and personnel; the Acushnet Lions Club and Jerry Charest for donating the fertilizer and grass seed. We have constructed 170 feet of chain-link fence; a new bubbler, bat racks and a baseball pitching rack have also been installed.

We have had a considerable amount of activities at Pope Park this year. For the first time the town held a July 4th celebration and Horse Show. We have had a total of 125 games on diamond 1, 152 on diamond 2, 36 on diamond 3. Games were played by six different organizations: The Greater New Bedford CYO, Greater New Bedford Colt League, Greater New Bedford Twilight and Soft Ball Games, Acushnet Little Leaguers and Acushnet Junior High. Midget football also took place in the fall. Acushnet Girl Scouts held their annual picnic. Over 300 Girl Scouts attended.

For a period of six weeks, on Tuesday and Thursday morning, a group of Girl Scouts from Senior Troop No. 31 gave their services to a Park Project for the children of Acushnet. Mrs. Donald Lowe, a Scout leader and Mrs. Elton A. Ashley, neighborhood chairman, along with the Park Board, served as advisors and the girls themselves planned and carried out the program. This program was for children between the ages of three to twelve. There were songs, games, stories, crafts, volley ball and badminton. A total of 540 children attended through the six week period. The Senior Girl Scouts are to be congratulated for a job well done and for their services to the youth of our community.

In conclusion, our appreciation is extended to all who helped

to make this year a success. We are also grateful to the people of Acushnet for their confidence and support throughout the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

EDMOND A. RICHARD, Chairman  
AUGUST COTE  
EVERETT BOOKER  
*Park Commissioners*

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# APPROPRIATIONS OF 1961

	<i>Balance Jan. 1, 1961</i>	<i>Appro- priations</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Expended</i>
General Government:					
Moderator		\$20.00		\$20.00	\$20.00
Town Clerk		150.00		150.00	150.00
Treasurer and Collector		4,500.00		4,500.00	4,500.00
Board of Selectmen and Public Welfare		2,200.00		2,200.00	2,200.00
Town Accountant		1,560.00		1,560.00	1,560.00
Board of Assessors		1,600.00		1,600.00	1,600.00
Salaries—Clerks, Treasurer-Collector		5,640.00		5,640.00	5,541.58
Salary—Clerk, Selectmen		1,560.00		1,560.00	1,560.00
Salary—Clerk, Assessors		2,640.00		2,640.00	2,455.12
Salaries—Registrars of Voters		800.00		800.00	641.25
Clerical Work, Registrars		100.00		100.00	100.00
Departmental Expenses:					
Selectmen and Town Accountant		3,600.00		3,600.00	3,485.91
Treasurer and Collector		3,300.00		3,300.00	3,105.43
Assessors		1,055.00		1,055.00	1,002.03
Sectional Plotting		500.00		500.00	500.00
Town Clerk		925.50		925.50	925.50
Registrars of Voters		285.00		285.00	285.00

<i>Balance Jan. 1, 1961</i>	<i>Appro- priations</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Expended</i>
Planning Board	300.00		300.00	14.25
Personnel Board	100.00		100.00	None
Salary—Janitor	2,695.00		2,695.00	2,692.50
Town Hall and Offices	3,785.00		3,785.00	3,427.90
Finance Committee Expenses	150.00		150.00	108.90
Tree Warden	150.00		150.00	150.00
Salary—Police Chief	4,212.00		4,212.00	4,212.00
Salaries—Police Officers	14,146.10	Police Dept.	14,446.10	14,406.90
Police Departmental	2,605.00		2,605.00	2,270.08
New Cruiser—Police	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,380.86
Salary—Fire Chief	3,520.00		3,520.00	3,454.00
Salaries—Firemen	3,000.00	Res. Fund	3,679.96	3,679.96
Fire Departmental	3,196.00		3,196.00	3,140.30
Salaries—Civil Defense	360.00		360.00	360.00
Civil Defense	442.61		832.61	762.03
Salary—Building Inspector	550.00		550.00	550.00
Building Department	50.00		50.00	48.72
Salary—Wire Inspector	750.00		750.00	750.00
Wire Departmental	50.00		50.00	43.03
Sealer of Weights and Measures	300.00		300.00	300.00

<i>Balance Jan. 1, 1961</i>	<i>Appro- priations</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Expended</i>
Long Plain Cemetery	375.00		375.00	375.00
Insect Pest Control	502.79		502.79	None
Dutch Elm Disease	2,000.00		2,000.00	1,602.30
Salaries—Board of Health	525.00		525.00	525.00
Salaries—Board of Health Department	6,356.00		6,356.00	6,334.00
Board of Health Departmental	5,734.00		5,734.00	5,677.12
Inspector of Animals	115.00		115.00	115.00
Sewer Pumping Charges	171.00		171.00	171.00
Local Dog Officer Account	300.00		300.00	208.00
Salaries—Highways	27,625.00	Res. Fund 1,150.00	28,775.00	28,760.40
Highway Departmental	19,300.00	Res. Fund 2,000.00) °2,900.06)	24,200.06	24,200.06
New Dump Truck—Highway	6,500.00		6,500.00	5,993.33
Street Lights	7,500.00		7,500.00	6,908.68
Chapter 90 Maintenance	3,000.00	E. & D. 6,000.00	9,000.00	8,998.92
Pleasant Street Layout	300.00		300.00	300.00
Tootle Lane Layout	250.00		250.00	250.00
Wamsutta Avenue Layout	100.00		100.00	None
Clifford Street Layout	325.00		325.00	None
Lambert Street Layout	125.00		125.00	None



<i>Balance Jan. 1, 1961</i>	<i>Appro- priations</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Expended</i>
Middle Road Land Taking	1,742.27		1,742.27	1,725.50
DeBalsi Property Damages	3,800.00		3,800.00	None
Mattapoisett, Hathaway & Mendall Road Takings	32.73		32.73	32.72
Reconstruction of Middle Rd. 10,000.00	10,000.00	Ch. 90 State 3,261.38	23,261.38	20,533.91
Pembroke Avenue Reconstruction	4,000.00		4,000.00	2,736.43
Park Drive Reconstruction	1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00
General Relief	4,000.00		4,000.00	3,358.97
Salaries—O.A.A.	3,257.10		3,257.10	3,257.10
Old Age Assistance	44,057.30		44,057.30	40,153.26
Salaries—M.A.A.	440.80		440.80	440.80
Medical Assistance for the Aged	17,518.50		17,518.50	17,518.50
Salaries—A.D.C.	617.15		617.15	617.15
Aid to Dependent Children	14,550.30		14,550.30	14,503.66
Salaries—D.A.	357.65		357.65	357.65
Disability Assistance	8,391.60		8,391.60	6,034.58
Salary—Veteran's Agent	700.00		700.00	700.00
Veterans' Benefits	7,595.00	Res. Fund 4,390.00	11,985.00	11,984.94
Salaries—School	158,908.00		158,908.00	158,608.63
Administration—School	11,456.00		11,456.00	11,355.73

<i>Balance Jan. 1, 1961</i>	<i>Appropriations</i>	<i>Transfers</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Expended</i>
School Departmental	120,005.89	S. Manter Fd. 1,194.11	121,200.00	120,389.28
Vocational Education	52,500.00		52,500.00	51,869.14
Salaries—Library	2,069.00		2,069.00	2,069.00
Library Departmental	1,159.21	Dog Fund 660.79) Res. Fund 930.00)	2,750.00	2,750.00
Salaries—Park	1,414.90		1,414.90	1,279.87
Park Departmental	1,412.10		1,412.10	1,396.70
Improvement of Lake St. Recreational Site	545.00		545.00	545.00
Lease of City of New Bedford	5.00		5.00	1.00
Reserve Fund	6,009.09	Overlay Res. 3,990.91	10,000.00	9,762.22
Memorial Purposes	600.00		600.00	430.08
Christmas Decorations	300.00		300.00	240.08
Insurance on Public Buildings	2,685.37		2,685.37	2,685.37
Insurance on Town Motor Vehicles	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,103.44
Mosquito Control Assessment	50.00		50.00	50.00
Salaries—Water Department	8,000.00	Water Sur. 9,168.25	8,000.00	7,762.19
Water Department	24,000.00	Water Rev. 22,831.75	24,000.00	22,921.57
Water Main in Park Drive	1,400.00		1,400.00	1,400.00
Debt	34,000.00		34,000.00	34,000.00
Interest on Debt	21,240.00		21,240.00	21,240.00
*Reconstruction of Wing Road \$1,636.49; Reconstruction of Pembroke Avenue \$1,263.57.				

## TREASURER'S REPORT — 1961

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*Receipts*

\$ 163,013.57	Balance January 1, 1961
20,110.07	January
19,298.21	February
35,556.29	March
106,021.92	April
79,672.66	May
63,571.97	June
91,454.02	July
109,824.56	August
74,076.98	September
253,258.48	October
123,519.40	November
47,257.38	December
	Balance December 31, 1961

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\$1,186,635.51

*Disbursements*

\$ 73,514.87
64,241.49
61,475.87
71,388.03
69,822.42
69,453.50
103,576.32
103,081.71
80,718.21
157,137.89
76,146.31
107,895.93
148,182.96

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\$1,186,635.51

## Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash:

## Bank balances:

National Bank of Fairhaven	\$163,324.69
Fairhaven Institution for Savings	
Account #29896	7,500.00
Account #39578	7,391.36
National Shawmut of Boston	10,000.00

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\$188,216.05

Cash on Hand

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5,683.24

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\$193,899.29

Less Outstanding Checks

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45,716.33

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\$148,182.96

Cash Book Balance

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\$148,182.96

## TAX TITLES ACCOUNTS

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### Tax Titles 1961

Transferred from Levy of 1961	\$2,883.18	
Taking—Levy of 1961	768.38	
Interest and Charges	234.38	
Water Liens	57.60	
	<hr/>	\$3,943.54
Redeemed	\$2,116.99	
Sold—Low Value	8.30	
Outstanding December 31, 1961	1,818.25	
	<hr/>	\$3,943.54

### Tax Titles 1960

Outstanding December 31, 1960		\$7,695.56
Redeemed	\$1,452.25	
Sold	8.50	
Outstanding December 31, 1961	6,234.81	
	<hr/>	\$7,695.56

### Tax Titles 1959

Outstanding December 31, 1960		\$1,001.46
Sold—Low Value	\$7.35	
Foreclosed	29.40	
Outstanding December 31, 1961	964.71	
	<hr/>	\$1,001.46

### Tax Titles 1958

Outstanding December 31, 1960		\$52.65
Sold—Low Value	\$15.57	
Foreclosed	37.08	
	<hr/>	\$52.65

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# Schedule of Outstanding Debt — December 31, 1961

Date of Loan	Notes Outstanding	Denomination	Rate of Interest	Year of Maturity	Total Outstanding
Water Dec. 1, 1952	18	\$1,000.00	1.90%	1967	\$18,000.00
Water Aug. 1, 1955	10	\$1,000.00	2.75%	1966	10,000.00
Surface Drainage Dec. 1, 1958	8	\$1,000.00	2.75%	1963	8,000.00
Junior High School July 15, 1959	390	\$1,000.00	4.1%	1979	390,000.00
Junior High School July 15, 1959	90	\$1,000.00	4.1%	1979	90,000.00

## Fixed Debt and Interest Maturing in 1962

Water Loan of Dec. 1, 1952 Notes numbered 306, 307 and 308 @ \$1,000.00	\$3,000.00
Interest	342.00
Water Loan of Aug. 1, 1955 Notes numbered 336 and 337 @ \$1,000.00	2,000.00
Interest	275.00
Surface Drainage of 1958 Notes numbered 359, 360, 361 and 363 @ \$1,000.00	4,000.00
Interest	220.00
School Project Loan Act of 1948 Bonds numbered 51-75 incl. @ \$1,000.00	25,000.00
Interest	15,990.00
School Project Loan of July 15, 1959 Bonds numbered 11-15 incl. @ \$1,000.00	5,000.00
Interest	3,690.00

\$59,517.00

**COLLECTOR'S REPORT**  
**January 1 to December 31, 1961**

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<b>Real Estate 1961</b>		
Committed	\$339,188.25	
Refunded	307.10	
	<hr/>	\$339,495.35
Collected	\$322,158.47	
Abated	13,685.32	
Added to Tax Titles	2,883.18	
Taking—Tax Titles	768.38	
	<hr/>	\$339,495.35
<b>Water Liens</b>		
Committed—with costs	\$368.35	
	<hr/>	\$368.35
Collected	\$310.75	
Added to Tax Titles	57.60	
	<hr/>	\$368.35
<b>Personal Property—1961</b>		
Committed	\$80,638.81	
Refunded	13.70	
	<hr/>	\$80,652.51
Collected	\$80,580.71	
Abated	71.80	
	<hr/>	\$80,652.51
<b>Polls 1961</b>		
Committed	\$3,516.00	
Refunded	8.00	
	<hr/>	\$3,524.00
Collected	\$2,972.00	
Abated	552.00	
	<hr/>	\$3,524.00
<b>Farm Animal Excise 1961</b>		
Committed		622.26

Collected		\$622.26
Motor Vehicle Excise 1960		
Outstanding December 31, 1960	\$6,332.98	
Committed in 1961	12,581.75	
Refunded	644.74	
	<hr/>	\$19,559.47
Collected	\$17,488.97	
Abated	2,070.50	
	<hr/>	\$19,559.47
Motor Vehicle Excise 1961		
Committed	\$68,785.34	
Refunded	1,006.47	
	<hr/>	\$69,791.81
Collected	\$52,333.93	
Abated	6,833.85	
Outstanding December 31	10,624.03	
	<hr/>	\$69,791.81
Water Charges		
Committed	\$31,318.96	
Outstanding December 31, 1960	367.66	
	<hr/>	\$31,686.62
Collected	30,772.35	
Abated	30.75	
Transferred to Water Liens	352.85	
Outstanding December 31, 1961	530.67	
	<hr/>	\$31,686.62
Sewer Pumping Charges 1961		
Committed		\$171.00
Collected		\$171.00
Board of Health Trailer Park License Fees		
Committed		\$1,216.00
Collected		\$1,216.00
Board of Health City, Town and State Charges		
Committed		\$336.00
Collected		\$336.00
Public Welfare		
Committed		\$350.00

Collected		\$350.00
Old Age Assistance—Cities and Towns		
Committed		\$3,422.00
Collected	\$2,725.92	
Outstanding December 31, 1961	696.08	
	<hr/>	\$3,422.00

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## TRUST FUNDS

NAME OF FUND	Principal	Balance Jan. 1, 1961	Dividends Deposits	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1961
Long Plain Cemetery Addition	\$1,195.00	\$1,449.98	\$53.02	none	\$1,503.00
Long Plain Cemetery Permanent Care	347.00	482.78	17.65	\$64.00	436.43
Henry H. Rogers School Fund	2,500.00	1,109.42	40.56	none	1,149.98
Philip H. Omev and Ruhamah H. Cottle	2,000.00	2,562.16	93.72	75.00	2,580.88
Allen and Rhoda R. Russell Library	8,181.98	8,686.34	313.18	327.85	8,671.67
Russell Memorial Library Maintenance	7,447.22	8,090.51	295.93	none	8,386.44
Russell Protestant Poor Fund	9,912.00	15,349.86	561.45	202.00	15,709.31
Russell Public School	7,067.30	7,325.04	267.92	none	7,592.96
Russell Town Hall	3,000.00	3,164.68	115.75	none	3,280.43
Russell Acushnet Cemetery Corp.	579.80	832.68	30.44	none	863.12
Sylvia P. Manter Public Schools	30,182.39	31,376.51	1,165.25	1,194.11	31,347.65
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	.....	403.48	.....	403.48	none
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	10,388.84	12,151.78	445.62	438.74	12,158.66
	\$82,801.53	\$92,985.22	\$3,400.49	\$2,705.18	\$93,680.53

**TOWN' CLERK'S REPORT**  
**Births, Marriages, and Deaths — 1961**

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**VITAL STATISTICS**

**Births:**

In Acushnet	0	
In other municipalities	118	
	<hr/>	118
Resident	118	
Non-Resident	0	
	<hr/>	
Male	56	
Female	62	
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Affidavits and Corrections	20
Delayed Returns	2

Marriage Intention: 60

**Marriages:**

In Acushnet	36	
In other municipalities	34	
	<hr/>	70
Resident Bride and Groom	6	
Resident Groom	29	
Resident Bride	24	
Non-Resident Bride and Groom	11	
	<hr/>	70

**Deaths:**

In Acushnet	24	
In other municipalities	30	
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Resident	45
Non-Resident	9
Male	32
Female	22

The Town Clerk will furnish forms for the reporting of births to any person upon application.

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## RESIDENT BIRTHS FOR 1961

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name of Child</i>	<i>Names of Parents</i>
Jan. 6	Thomas Prachniak	Raymond and Albertina Silva
6	Debra-Ann Yvette Monast	Roland A. and Cora C. Durocher
12	Donna Marie Ledoux	Andre J. and Mary Cunha
12	Debbie Raynolds	Charles J. and Doris Rock
17	Nancy Anne Lawton	Russell S. and Hazel M. Frates
18	Kenneth Joseph Pimental	George and Yvette T. Gonneville
19	Amy Marie Furtado	Robert E. and Amy L. Morang
22	Sue Ann Avery	John L. and Alice Y. Plaud
26	Arthur Francois Belanger	Arthur F. and Jeanne E. Gilmette
29	Robert Charles McCarthy	Charles and Mona L. Ricard
31	Leo Edward Cormier	Leo E. and Hilda M. Stephens
Feb. 2	Gary Edward DeMoura	Dionel and Helen Presner
2	Thomas Roger LeBlanc	Roland and Mary J. Yotides
6	Karen Elaine McKay	Louis W. and Susan E. Collins
6	Mary Louise Santos	John P. and Bertha E. Olivier
13	Steven Peter Wunschel	William and Estelle I. Bussiere
14	Frederick Whitlow Annis	Frederick W. and Marie L. Fournier
16	Dennis Joseph Deschamps	Roger D. and Patricia A. Silveira
23	Teresa Marie Cardoza	Mario and Odelia Fernandes
25	Donna Ann Gooding	Russell Alton and Alice L. Langedoc

26	Charles Joseph Pepin	Omer J. and Blanche M. Levasseur
Mar. 2	David Alfred Texeira	Alfred and Marcia J. Nelson
14	Marianne Williams	Bennett and Helen Shmulsky
17	JoAnn Boudreau	Norman P. and Patricia A. Brienzo
18	Tracy Elaine White	Walter D. and Betty E. Dawson
19	Elizabeth Anne Lague	Henry L. and Irene T. Gagne
23	Vivian Marie Moraux	Louis J. G. and Yvette Landry
24	Barbara Jean Cardin	Norman Hector and Mary K. McGreevy
24	Janet Rita O'Brien	Joseph G. and Florence Marcotte
28	Gary Dean Mello	Francis and Barbara A. Castelejo
Apr. 9	Madeleine Gertrude Croteau	Normand P. and Pauline Y. Gaudette
12	Beth Lefevre	Vincent L. and Jeanne C. Jacques
16	Kathleen Ann Szwaja	Paul and Christine A. Curry
17	Suzanne Alice Bourgeois	Roger A. and Alice A. DeTerra
19	Paul James Cormier	Oscar J. and Claire A. Masse
29	Delia Louise Marie Dandurand	Donald J. and Ella L. Keever
30	Timmy Alan Doud	Dale K. & Eleanor M. Philipp
May 6	Megan Therese Crombleholme	William Joseph and Marie Laura Therese Gosselin
13	Tracy Lynn Camara	Donald Edward and Claire Frances Warsoski
17	Ayres Randal Sequeira	Avres August and Gloria Anne Sayer
18	June Ann Bradshaw	Albert and Ivy June Timms
18	Kathleen Dympna White	James Robert and Catherine Dympna Nerbonne
19	Michael James Cusson	Edward Maurice and Doris Diana Blanchette

21	Paul Pilat		
24	Paulette Marie Gonneville		Boleslaw Jozef and Stefanie Nowakoski
June 8	——— Vancour		Richard Adrien and Geraldine LaCroix
9	Steven Wayne Medeiros		Richard and Carolyn Ray
10	Lisa Anne Samanica		Linden Wayne and Linda Marie Silva
18	Jo-Ann Carol Rogers		Robert Furtado and Laurie Ann Halunen
20	Clarke Dennis Osborn		Joseph and Kazmira Markowska
21	Elizabeth Amelia DeFrias		Ellis Clarence and Dorothy Elizabeth Mills
27	June Elizabeth Amaral		Jose Bento and Hilda Medeiros Frias
29	Pamela Jeanne LeBlanc		George and Jeanne Evelyn Alie
July 4	Susan Mary Gaudreau		Robert Maurice and Constance Dauplaise
4	Christene June Ellis		Roger Wilfred and Pauline Mary Wilson
4	Michael Gary Henner		Richard Cleveland and Elizabeth Ann Halunen
7	Jacqueline Ann Bergeron		Alfred Francis and Jeanne Gloria Henner
8	Donna Lee Collins		Robert Albert and Yvette Theresa Bergeron
11	Jean Rita Houle		Theodore Atwood and Sandra Marsha Bennett
13	Shawn Thomas Beaulieu		Emile Rodolphe and Germaine Rita Dagesse
15	Annette Marie Chapdelaine		Joseph Henri and Margaret Elizabeth Lacerda
15	Michael Edward Mulroy		Henry and Lillian Ann Halle
15	Jeanne Rita Bouchard		Edward James and Thora Ethel Lord
18	Steven Joseph Renauld		Eugene Wilfred and Irene Rita Cote
18	Mark Lavimoniere		Henri Herve and Lucille Marie Benoit
			Roland and Georgette Lucille Pelletier

22	Steven Sheldon Norton	Harrison Thomas and Dorothy Germaine Banville
24	Jane Robbin Beausoleil	John Thomas and Viva Lee Underwood
28	Louise Ann Johnson	Vernon Everett and Marjorie Viola Jeffers
29	Steven John Midurski	Maryann Jan and Loretta Mae Rego
31	Catherine Sylvia	August and Mary Rose Moniz
31	Nancy Louise Fortier	Armand Valmore and Joy Frances Sowle
Aug. 5	Mark David Considine	David Francis and Patricia Ann Provencher
10	James Carlton Poirier	James Carlton and Maria Patricia Frias
15	Karol Ann Dawson	Carlton and Marie Antoinette Hubert
15	Karen Ann Dawson	Carlton and Marie Antoinette Hubert
24	Jeffrey Alan Bouchard	Roland Lionel and Frances Marylyn Cierpial
26	Roxann Rae Langlois	Joseph Raymond Hermas and Carol Ann Barnes
31	Phillip Fredette	Emile Yvon and Claire Despres
Sept. 5	Robert Grosby Langlais	Richard Joseph and Vivian Eilene Langlais
6	Bruce Floyd Lebeau	Edward David and Jeannette Theresa Pelletier
6	Robert Paul Teixeira	Robert Roy and Collette Annette Dessert
9	Stephen Eric Besso	Ronald Francis and Diana Louise Tripp
9	Russell Kenneth Lackie	Thomas Andrew and Dorothy Lorraine Marlow
10	Jeanne Dorothy St. Amand	Lucien Alfred and Evelyn Davignon
12	Frederick Steven Szyndlar	Ferdinand Frank and Dorothy Jean Auclair
13	William John Oliver	William and Janina Antonia Hopp
15	David Brian Ricard	Delpha Damase and Pauline Ruth Albert

17	Mark Edward Baptiste	Ernest Medeiros and Diane Charlotte Dessert
17	Cheryl Ann Cordeiro	Joseph Louis and Anne Elizabeth Bilsborrow
21	Gail Anne Woodis	Louis Elmer and Eunice May Ott
23	Susan Ann Gendron	Norman Robert and Joyce Ann Swift
27	Richard Mello	Richard and Shirley A. O'Brien
Oct. 5	Theresa Szwaja	Mieczyslaw B. and Clara Theresa Mosakowski
7	Janice Dion	Maurice Francis and Ida Furtado
8	Joanne Marie Lemaire	Rene Ernest and Vivianne Muriel Bachand
12	Robert Christopher Berche	Robert Joseph & Claire Marie Antoinette Gautreau
13	Janet Ann Souza	Donald Eugene and Irene Rosemary Motta
21	Timothy Wayne Coker	Wilson Wardell and Vera Leona Locklair
21	Barry James Gomes	Antone Pinto and Dorothy Florence Forgue
23	Timothy Joseph Hardman	Joseph and Cecile Gloria Mercier
Nov. 5	Thomas Allen Boudreau	Arthur Alpheric and Marianna Rodrigues
6	William Joseph Brown	Bert Leland and Irene May Santos
9	Gerard Ernest Fredette	Hervey Gerard and Dolores Lydia Morin
12	Janet Marie Richard	Conrad Philias and Shirley May Silver
17	David Andre Allain	Bertrand David and Marie J. Brodeur
17	Louise Alice Allain	Bertrand David and Marie J. Brodeur
19	Patrick Lawrence McKay	Lawrence J. and Lillian Y. Lariviere
20	Maureen Daigle	Louis and Rita Gloria Dumas
22	Daniel Francis Gelinas	Charles R. and Lorraine E. Goulet



28	Donna Aline Cote	August R. and Annette J. Morin
30	Ronald Anthony Baker	Eugene R. and Beverly Anne Bates
Dec. 8	Gail Ann Dean	Franklin T. and Mildred E. Lemos
12	Matthew Desmond White	Desmond C. and Barbara L. Morse
15	Debra Anne Monteiro	John and Beatrice I. Gelinas
18	James Andrew Olivier	Leo Andre and Dorothy F. Hotte
27	Mary Louise Camacho	Manuel G. and Louise R. Vieira
28	Donna Marie Souza	David and Rita L. Krouzek

# MARRIAGES FOR THE YEAR 1961

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>
Feb. 11	Donald Wright	May 12	Dennis Westgate
	Elaine Louise Fagundes		Maxine Brownell
11	Samuel Rodney Rowley	13	Ralph Edwin Dexter, Jr.
	Elizabeth Ann Bariteau		Beverly Ann Goguen
Mar. 27	Robert Malcolm Neff	13	Roland Alfred Halle
	Lucille Lorraine LeBlanc		Mae Blanche Seguer
27	Robert Medeiros Madeira	13	Thomas Whittle
	Eileen Veronica Ross		Joan Mendonsa
Apr. 9	William Ralph Champagne	27	Matthew Macedo
	Patricia Ethel Ferreira		Doris Irene St. Pierre (Cannon)
15	John Walter Sojka	27	Spencer Graham Hilton
	Judith Mae Tripp		Esther Tucker (Santos)
15	Joseph Henry Pierre Provencal	30	Gerald Bernard Boucher
	Annette Marie Rachel Arguin		Marie Louise Anita Allain
28	Richard Winterbottom	June 3	Robert Arthur Joseph Provencal
	Andrea Victoria Kucharsky		Marie Blanche Jeanne D'Arc Arguin
29	Rene Albert Joseph Rivet, Jr.	3	Leroy Ernest Eadie
	Joan Yates		Jeannette Jovin
29	Ernest Lawrence Theodore	3	Robert Joseph Adrien Gagnon
	Virginia Perry Avila		Claudette Anne Fahey

11	Daniel Robinson Gilmore	15	Millard Roswell Spooner
17	Laura Marion Slocomb	20	Mildred McMullen
17	Thomas Gorka		Ronald Winston Sylvia
17	Joyce Margaret Bower	28	Joan Carol Buck
17	Conrad Daniel Menard		Manuel Torres
17	Dorothy May Cierpial	29	Phyllis Elva Benoit
17	Wladyslaw Gwozdz		Charles St. Laurent
17	Irma Emilia Albertini		Lena Disdrom Gibson
17	Daniel Robert Sullivan	29	a/k/a Etta Gibson (Fulton)
24	Mary Katherine Kelley		David Shaw Lee
24	Albert Raymond Gregory	29	Joanne Marcia Howard
24	Bernice Pauline Mello		Ernest Philip Mondou
July 8	William Joseph Almeida	Aug. 12	Carol Lyn Marks
	Sandra Ann Besse		Antonio Mastrostefano, Jr.
	Roland Hebert	12	Yvette Dolores Marie Tetreault
8	Eleanor Edith Taylor		Richard Gerald Driscoll
11	Arthur Roland Morris	19	Beverly Ann Oliveria a/k/a Oliveira
	Amy Arlene Ruhmpohl (Caldwell)		Curtis Sherman Hardy
11	Auston Robert Cook	26	Sandra Lee Gayoski
	Patricia Delphina Fagundes		Normand Herve Soucy
11	Robert Jean Ouellette		Sandra Souza
	Alma Marie Reed		

26	Leonard Wilfred Lamarche	Oct. 21	Steven Drew Robbins
	Irene Kathryn Schell		Elaine Pryor Morss
26	Angelo Maurice Mello, Jr.	21	Raymond Aurele Boissoneau
	Judith Anne Sayles		Louisa Elaine Furtado
Sept. 2	Roger Robert Blaise	28	John Rebelo
	Sandra Louise Silva		Yvette Louise Simoes
2	Walter Anthony Rish	28	James DeGouveia
	Phyllis Ksen		Muriel Therese Lebeau
2	Ronald St. Laurent	28	David Joseph Mello
	Georgette Pauline Nunes		Marilyn Carol Jones
5	Stephen Francis Savaria	29	Norman Russell Miller
	Dolores Ann Mastera (Garrant)		Dorothy May Potter (Brightman)
9	Robert Norman Wilcox	Nov. 3	Carol James St. Don
	Helen Sandra Moreira		Harriet Bulotsky
16	Joseph Napoleon Landry	11	Charles Robert Hewett
	Lillian May Fisher Deware (Pease)		Lena Donth (DePlacito)
16	Edward Govoni, Jr.	23	Jerome Lucien Beaulieu
	Marie Alice Doris Bergeron		Phyllis Noella Chevalier
16	Albert Richard Plante	23	Donald Edward Wunschel
	Nancy Ann Fournier		Jacqueline Leconte
23	Stephen Joseph Cassidy	23	Raymond George Sleight
	Barbara Evelyn Cairns		Diane Constance Boucher

25	Lawrence Francis Fortin
	Susanne Claire DesRoches
25	Harold Leo Sexton
	Pauline Claire Laferriere
25	John Feeley
	Grace Tennyson (Higgins)
Dec. 2	Alban Levasseur
	Constance Orillia Loisel
30	Ronald Elmer Raymond
	Lucille Ida Marsden
30	Donald Roland Schell
	Dorothy Rose

# RESIDENT DEATHS — 1961

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Yrs.</i>	<i>Mos.</i>	<i>Days</i>
Jan. 1	Wilfred Arthur Fortin	58	6	3
20	Marie Leger (Goguen)	91	10	26
20	Valeria LeFebvre (Joyal)	76	9	3
Feb. 4	Millard Spooner	49	6	16
6	Ralph Hunt	63	6	22
7	Carl A. Madsen	65	4	1
9	Wilfrid Gonneville	92	—	—
19	Jeannine Halle	14	0	7
Mar. 8	Stephanie Gingras (Lelievre)	82	11	3
14	Olivier Brousseau	97	9	—
20	Alcibia Bertrand	76	6	10
29	Edward Tootle	73	3	29
31	Josephine Bettencourt (Niec)	51	10	11
Apr. 10	Arthur Forand	77	9	12
15	James A. Bury	77	—	—
30	Edward M. Kelley	87	1	12
May 8	Anna A. Franklin (Grinnell)	86	10	14
8	Omelina Guimont (Durocher)	78	—	—
June 3	George W. Aspin	74	0	24
10	——— Vancour	—	—	2

28	Marcel V. Bissonnette	56	1	—
29	Alice Eureka LeMay (Pearson)	65	11	25
July 6	Moses Cooperstein	74	—	—
8	Joseph S. Melancon	67	6	29
10	Lucy E. Agnalt (Jenney)	54	10	13
22	Ferdinand Laplante	73	7	15
26	Clara Hamer (Orrell)	82	9	14
31	Napoleon J. Dansereau	61	9	30
Aug. 8	John J. Goldthorpe	81	—	—
19	Ellen Eugenia Higgins (Anderson)	71	6	12
26	Oda Pelland (Langlois)	80	11	13
Sept. 1	Ambroise Labonte	81	—	—
1	Jadwiga Wojtkunski (Radziewicz)	69	—	—
7	Dorothy M. Cleveland (Burke)	55	—	—
10	Alfred D. Gouveia	36	10	9
30	Joseph H. Booker	65	6	2
Oct. 16	Mary Estelle Collins	86	3	11
20	Annie Jennie Duclos (Greenwood)	59	10	24
21	Doris Louella Brownell	60	5	3
22	Anne McCarthy (Walker)	53	—	—
23	Perley L. Chandler	65	2	7
27	Cyprien Poirier	70	—	—

29	Mard Edward Baptiste
30	John Walmsley
Nov. 20	Albert Leo Benoit
Dec. 3	Aurie J. Dulude
4	James Maymon
12	Amelia Hatch (Maule)
13	John Archibald McNair
19	Patrick White
23	Mary Pacheco Simas
28	Agnes Cyr (Goguen)

—	1	13
65	9	16
22	7	1
60	—	—
59	7	6
72	11	22
57	4	5
83	9	2
74	—	—
80	1	19



**REPORT OF  
THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES  
FOR 1961**

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Bread	Tested for weight 123; 78 correct; 11 under; 34 over	
Butter	Tested 56; Correct 56	
Milk and Cream	$\frac{1}{2}$ pt.; 1 pt.; 1 qt.; $\frac{1}{2}$ gal.; 1 gal. 289	
Markings on Food Packages	551	
Flour	16	
Potatoes in Bags	7	
Meats	71	
Clinical Thermometer	11	
Platform Scales—10,000 lbs.	1	
Platform Scales—100 to 5,000 lbs.	3	
Scales under 100 lbs.	Tested 42; Adjusted 4	
Avoirdupois	23	
Liquid Measure	Over 1 Gallon 2	
Gas Pumps	23—Adjusted 2	
Yard Sticks	4	
Grease Pumps	3—Adjusted 1	
Kerosene Pumps	2—Condemned 1	
Expense	Steel Dies \$12.94; Salary \$287.06	
Sealing Fees \$57.55 turned over to Town Treasurer.		

**HENRY O. SAUCIER,**  
*Sealer of Weights and Measures*

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## REPORT OF WATER DEPARTMENT FOR 1961

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¾" New Services	34
¾" Services Renewed	26
¾" Services Cleaned	10
1" Service Renewed	1
1" to 6" Main Renewed on Park Drive	1
2" to 6" Main Renewed on Pembroke Avenue to LeBoeuf Street	1
Curb Boxes Raised	25
Curb Boxes Lowered	32
Curb Boxes Repaired	15
Curb Boxes Replaced	25
Curb Boxes Referenced	196
Curb Stops Relocated	50
6" Water Main Installed by Town	616 feet
6" Water Main Installed by Contractor for Developer	1,010 feet
6" Gate Valves for Mains	5
6" Gate Valves for Hydrants	5
Meters Raised in Cellars	10
Meters Repaired, Cleaned and Tested (etc.)	107
Meters Reread	50
Meters Frozen	25
House Services Frozen	14
Leaks in Streets Repaired	5
Hydrants Installed	5
Hydrants Repaired	3
Hydrants Flushed	20
Hydrants Painted	154

Hydrants Relocated	2
Hydrants Raised	1
Cellar Water Pumped	3
Miscellaneous Calls (etc.)	210

WILLIAM WUNSCHEL

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## REPORT OF BUILDING INSPECTOR

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January 15, 1962

Board of Selectmen  
Town Hall  
Acushnet, Mass.

Gentlemen:

This report is for the year ending December 31, 1961.

A total of 121 permits were issued, at an estimated cost, on applications of \$395,443.00.

A fair construction cost is \$648,461.00.

	Est. Cost
Long Plain Baptist Church	\$80,000.00
Local Branch Post Office	25,000.00
32 Dwelling Permits	243,033.00
22 Private Garages	19,075.00
26 Additions or Remodeling	28,335.00
39 Miscellaneous Permits	
<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: 0;"/>	
121 Permits	<hr style="width: 10%; margin-left: auto; margin-right: 0;"/> \$395,443.00

Respectfully submitted,

RENE PEPIN,  
*Building Inspector*

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## REPORT OF VETERANS' AGENT

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To the Officers and the Residents  
of the Town of Acushnet:

The Veterans' Agent respectfully submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 1961:

Ordinary grants and benefits	\$6,129.93
Nursing Home charges	1,361.60
Rest Home charges	1,129.38
Fuel allowances	833.00
Doctors fees	222.00
Medicine	934.55
Hospitalization	953.55
Misc. (inc. burial allowance)	342.20
Agent's Salary	700.00
Office expenses	78.93
Total expenses	12,284.94
Unused Balance	.06

Respectfully submitted,  
ARSENE J. CUSSON,  
*Veterans' Agent*

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## REPORT OF THE WIRE INSPECTOR

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January 31, 1962

To the Townspeople:

The Wire Department has been operating under a Fee-Permit system, which went into effect on the 8th day of June.

There are two types of permits:

Type A—New work	\$5.00
Type B—Repairs and alterations	\$2.00

In the period from June 8th to January 26th, the following number of permits have been issued:

	Number	Amount
Type A	42	\$210.00
Type B	68	136.00

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Total received by the Town Clerk	\$346.00
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Respectfully submitted,  
JOHN T. KOSKA,  
*Wire Inspector*

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## REPORT OF THE TOWN BEACH COMMITTEE

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The Acushnet Town Beach Committee is pleased to have the opportunity to submit its first annual report to the people of Acushnet.

Following the appointment of the Beach Committee in the fall of 1960, a preliminary survey was made of the area between East Pond and North Pond, which was formerly occupied by the residence of the caretaker of the old New Bedford Reservoir, relative to the possibility of adapting the area to recreational and bathing facilities for the residents of this town. The area contained approximately 19 acres and presented in its original state, the remains of the stone foundation where the old house stood, an ancient barn foundation, recently used as a refuse dump of sizeable proportions, a garage in fairly good repair, and an undergrowth and overgrowth of bushes, vines, briars, and scrub trees, as thick as any jungle on earth.

However, the site did have a suitable body of water on its east and west boundaries, a garage suitable for use as a bathhouse, and a pleasant variety of shade trees distributed about its rolling terrain, which if properly developed, would make a recreational asset to the town, and offer swimming, boating, fishing and picnic place for its citizens.

We met with Mr. Nathan Ellis, Superintendent of the New Bedford Water Works, with regards to the extent to which the committee could go in developing the site for these purposes, within the scope of the proposed lease which the town was to seek from the City of New Bedford. We were assured that we had a free rein in this regard, and thereupon set out to plan the site development.

At the outset, the committee agreed that a recreational and beach site should be developed, which would adequately serve

the needs of those townspeople desiring fresh water bathing, but at a cost which would not be an enduring burden upon the town.

Armed with the belief that a little money and a lot of willing hands ready to do a lot of hard work, could transform the area satisfactorily, the committee went before the Annual Town Meeting with a request for \$550.00 to develop the area and purchase picnic tables. The sum of \$550.00 was appropriated, and the committee authorized to proceed.

The help and donations which we received to make our aims a reality, went far beyond our highest expectations. Week-end work projects brought out practically every truck, bulldozer, loader, chain saw, and willing citizen, to clear brush, bury the foundations and refuse dump, and truck free of charge to the town, the many hundreds of yards of fine sand necessary to provide the bathing beach and cover the muddy bottom of East Pond. It has been estimated by persons employed in this type of work, that the town received nearly \$10,000 worth of work and materials for an outlay of \$550.00. This project stands as a glorious example of the tremendous accomplishments that are possible, when townspeople willingly get together to push a worthwhile project into being. The heartfelt thanks of this committee goes to every person whose sweat, toil, equipment or donation, contributed to this project.

Later in the season we saw the feasibility of developing a beach site at North Pond. We were very fortunate to have the Army Reserve Unit and Motor Pool contribute the use of its heavy equipment and trucks, to clear additional area for a beach, construct a large parking area, and move a tremendous amount of sand, as part of its training program.

We allowed the Explorer Scouts to set up a small food concession stand, in exchange for their keeping the premises cleaned up, and since the members of this group had all had training in water safety and life saving, we felt that a certain



measure of water safety protection was being provided.

We were most fortunate to have a complete concrete floor for the bath house donated free of cost, and mason's services to lay it were also furnished. A partition has been erected to provide dressing room for men and women.

Our plans for 1962 include the completion of the beach at North Pond, and completion of the grading work in that area. We also feel there is immediate need for adequate toilet facilities, so that there will not be a health hazard. We hope to complete the various picnic areas on the site.

We have met with the Board of Health, and have the permission of that agency to erect temporary chemical toilet facilities, suitable for the needs of this area, for the remainder of the present lease (four more years)

Our request is for \$1,000.00 to purchase materials and supplies for erecting these facilities, move additional sand to complete the North Pond Beach, and hire the necessary heavy equipment to complete this worthwhile project.

The committee likes to feel that the spirit of working together that characterized our Centennial Celebration lives on. We hope that this civic recreational project will stand as a guiding light to other communities, to show the tremendous accomplishments that are possible at little cost, when determined people set out to prove it can be done.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER E. TRIPP, JR., Chairman  
ERNEST FORAND  
LLOYD GEGGATT  
A. P. STUART GILMORE  
DAVID R. WHITE

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## **REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY**

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To the Officers and Townspeople of Acushnet:

Once again it is time for us to report on the operation of your Russell Memorial Library.

It was most gratifying to us to continue the program of light replacement during 1961. We now have modern up-to-date fluorescent fixtures throughout the library with the exception of the upstairs stackroom. We hope to complete the lighting program in the near future. 1961 saw another step forward in modernizing and maintaining our building by the installation of high-grade vinyl tile flooring where needed. This eliminates the big problem of cement dust.

The above two projects were paid out of current funds and partly out of trust funds.

Not so gratifying was the need to replace unexpectedly our thirty-year-old hot air furnace. With the help of a most cooperative Finance Committee, the Trustees obtained sufficient extra funds to replace the broken down equipment with a modern, efficient unit. This replacement was done economically as possible during the warm weather. Later on in the year the old fuel tank began leaking, and this, too, had to be replaced.

In spite of these unexpected difficulties, 1961 was an excellent year.

To perpetuate the interest in art begun during the Centennial year celebration of Massachusetts Art Week, the Board of Trustees voted to sponsor Massachusetts Art Week observance this year, and if successful, to continue its sponsorship each

year as an added service to the culture of our community. The exhibit, restricted to Acushnet artists only, drew an enthusiastic response, and the lower library hall was transformed into an "art gallery" during the last week in May. The show drew viewers from as far away as Foxboro, Cape Cod, and the Greater Providence, Rhode Island, area. The attendance was good, and we hope will be even better in the years to come.

The committee appointed by the Trustees comprised of Walter E. Owen, Chairman, Miss Ruth Taber, and Otis Tripp—all three artists in their own right.

In conjunction with Massachusetts Art Week observance, Open House was held at the Library. Our librarian and her assistant very graciously answered questions and conducted visitors around the library during the entire week.

Because of the interest shown in this exhibit, the Trustees decided to sponsor one-man shows monthly in the Reading Room for the balance of the year. These shows, not limited to Acushnet artists, are planned to bring awareness to our Townspeople of the art work being done in our Town, to give them an opportunity to view work of outstanding area artists, and to stimulate an interest in art in the young people. Work is chosen not only by the reputation of the artist, but for the media and techniques used. These monthly exhibits have been viewed by Greater New Bedford residents, and have drawn much favorable comment. Our children and young people have shown a keen interest in each new showing. Here again because of the widespread interest shown, the monthly exhibits will continue indefinitely. Acushnet artists who were not contacted during the year, if interested, should get in touch with Mrs. Owen.

Another first during 1961 was the very popular Story Hour conducted by our devoted library staff during the summer. The extraordinarily good attendance by our younger set, and the interest shown in this project by the parents, means another program of story hours for the coming year. Displays pertinent

to the stories were made by Mrs. Olive Gifford, Librarian, and Mrs. Olive Vincent, Assistant, during the series. The Staff and the Trustees feel this was greatly responsible for the very large increase in circulation during the usually slow summer months. As a matter of fact, circulation throughout the year picked up to a most gratifying degree, and the Librarian's Statistical Report for 1961 shows an increased circulation over 1960 of 8,518.

Our Librarian's time during library hours is largely taken up with assisting our Junior and High School students in their research. While we unfortunately do not cover as many subjects and as extensively as we would like, we nevertheless added quite a number of volumes to this department in 1961. We hope to continue adding volumes just as quickly as possible. In the meantime, the Bookmobile's loan of books helps greatly to increase our stock.

We were very fortunate to receive a gift of \$100.00 from the Acushnet Improvement Association to spend on books. This money was used to buy much needed research material. Another welcomed gift was a set of Golden Book Encyclopedia donated by Mr. Tom Feeney, Manager of the Pope's Island Stop and Shop Store. Gifts like these help to improve our library's service to the community. We also receive individual donations of books and periodicals during the year from some of our townspeople—all are greatly appreciated.

Our Librarian has reinstated the awarding of book certificates for reading, and during 1961 awarded numerous five-book certificates and several twenty-book honor certificates.

During 1962 we hope to do some routine replacements and repairs to the outside of the building as well as to the inside, plus improvements in some library equipment.

Again we reiterate that library services are maintained for you and the young people of our community—please make use of them.

The Long Plain Branch at 1243 Main Street with Mrs. Lydia Tripp in charge is opened Wednesday afternoons from 12 noon to 5 P.M. The Russell Memorial hours are:

Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays from 2:00 to 5:00 P.M.

Thursday evenings from 6:00 to 8:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCES E. GIFFORD  
GEORGETTE A. OWEN  
KENNETH L. VINCENT

*Russell Memorial Library  
Board of Trustees*

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# **RUSSELL MEMORIAL LIBRARY STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 1961**

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## **Russell Memorial**

Number of volumes January 1, 1961		9,529
Number purchased	180	
Number donated	121	
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Number accessioned		301
Number discarded		161
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Number of volumes December 31, 1961		9,669
Registered borrowers January 1, 1961	1,900	
New adult	118	
New juvenile	136	
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Registered borrowers December 31, 1961		2,154
Circulation:		
Fiction adult	4,968	
Fiction juvenile	8,164	
Non-fiction adult	3,446	
Non-fiction juvenile	4,385	
Periodicals	2,291	
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Total circulation		23,254

## **Long Plain Branch**

Registered borrowers January 1, 1961	107	
New borrowers	4	
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Registered borrowers December 31, 1961		111

## Circulation:

Books

1,095

Periodicals

398

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Total circulation

1,493

Total circulation for the town

24,747

Increase over 1960

8,518

Respectfully submitted,

OLIVE M. GIFFORD,

*Librarian*  

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## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

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To the Officers and the Residents  
of the Town of Acushnet:

The Board of Health respectfully submits the following report for the year 1961:

Immediately following the election the newly elected member, Joseph H. Lepage, was sworn into office by the Town Clerk.

At the first regular meeting the Board organized as follows:

Chairman—Sylvano Frates

Secretary—Louise F. Taber

Agent and Inspector of Licenses—Joseph H. Lepage

During the past year no tuberculosis patients required hospitalization at Bristol County Tuberculosis Hospital. Seven premature births were reported and four received financial assistance for the amount of \$1,104.00. The amount of \$336.00 was reimbursed by the City of New Bedford on two premature babies with a New Bedford settlement. The net cost on Acushnet settled cases was \$768.00.

Dental Clinic was conducted throughout the school year with 23 clinics held. A total charge of \$1,482.00 for the clinics with \$275.20 credited for payment by the children, leaving the net cost to the Board of Health of \$1,106.80. There were 75 examinations; 220 fillings; 75 extractions; 1 X-ray; 71 Prophylaxis; and 61 treatments.

During May 1961 the Board of Health and the Bristol County Health Association sponsored a patch testing program for Grades 1, 4, and 9 at the Public Schools and Grades Kindergarten, 1, 4, and 8 at St. Francis Xavier School. There were a total of 392 negative reactions and 16 positive reactions. The Mobile Unit was at the Town Hall on May 26, 1961 and



179 persons were X-rayed. All positive reactors and family contacts were X-rayed.

A total of 32 were issued Food Handlers Certificates. All others are due to be renewed in 1962.

A total of 23 Well Baby, Polio and Flu Clinics were held. 958 polio immunizations were given; 103 triple vaccine; 58 vaccinations for small pox; 5 double vaccine; 487 flu vaccine shots; and 324 babies attended the Well Baby Clinic. The total attendance at clinics was 1935.

Thanking everyone for their co-operation during the year we present the following statistical report:

Chicken Pox	56
Dog Bite	16
Measles	63
Mumps	8
Scarlet Fever	18
Infectious Encephalitis	1
Scarletina	1
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Total	163

The following licenses were issued:

Store License—Milk and Cream	18
Vehicle License—Milk and Cream	19
Pasteurization of Milk	3
Trailer Camp License	2
Permit—Transportation of Garbage	7
Dealer in Oleomargarine	16
Manufacturing of Frozen Desserts	1
Day Nursery Licenses	4
Day Camp Licenses	2

Respectfully submitted,

SYLVANO FRATES  
JOSEPH H. LEPAGE  
LOUISE F. TABER

*Board of Health*

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

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To the Officers and the Residents  
of the Town of Acushnet:

Population of the Town January 1, 1961 6,042

### TABLE OF AGGREGATES FOR 1961

Number of Persons Assessed	Individuals	All	
		Others	Total
On Personal Estate Only	39	2	41
On Real Estate Only	1,956	16	1,972
On Both Personal and Real Estate	100	2	102
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Total Number of Persons Assessed			2,115
Number of Polls Assessed			1,775
Value of Assessed Personal Estate			
Stock in Trade	\$17,565.00		
Machinery	921,865.00		
Live Stock	9,205.00		
All Other Tangible Property	22,915.00		
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Total Value of Assessed Personal Estate			\$971,550.00
Value of Assessed Real Estate			
Land Exclusive of Buildings	\$840,665.00		
Buildings Exclusive of Land	3,245,525.00		
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Total Value of Assessed Real Estate			4,086,190.00
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Total Value of Assessed Estate			\$5,057,740.00
Tax Rate per \$1,000.00 (approved by Tax Commissioner April 11, 1961)			83.00

Taxes for State, County and Town Purposes,  
including Overlay

On Personal Estate	\$80,638.81
On Real Estate	339,159.20
On Polls	3,510.00

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Total Taxes Assessed	\$423,308.01
Number of Live Stock Assessed	
Horses	36
Neat Cattle	14
Cows	21
Steers	1
Swine	43
Sheep	29
Fowl	3,225
All Other	13
Number of Acres of Land Assessed	11,103.47
Number of Dwelling Houses Assessed	1,529

**FARM ANIMAL EXCISE**

Number of Persons Assessed	30
Number of Cows Assessed	781
Number of Laying Hens Assessed	10,693
Number of Cockerels Assessed	335
Number of Swine Assessed	245
Number of Ponies Assessed	1
Number of Heifers Assessed	22
Number of Steers Assessed	2
Number of Bulls Assessed	9
Number of Goats Assessed	1
Number of Chicks Assessed	—
Total Value of Farm Animal Excise Assessed	
at \$5.00 per thousand	\$124,438.75
Total Tax Committed on Farm Animal Excise in 1961	\$622.26

**RECAPITULATION SHEET OF 1961**

Appropriations from Available Funds 1961	\$95,149.62
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In 1960 since the 1960 rate was fixed	2,251.55
Appropriation 1961	637,364.54
Pension Fund	7,358.60
Group Insurance	1,676.31
Court Case	3,264.12
State Assessments:	
State Parks and Reservations	2,894.19
1960 Underestimate	515.97
State Audit	1,020.52
County Assessments:	
County Tax	17,092.18
1960 Underestimate	440.28
Tuberculosis Hospital	5,645.17
Bristol County Project	1,850.82
Overlay of Current Year	21,396.18
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Total (Gross Amount to be Raised)	\$797,920.05

#### **ESTIMATED RECEIPTS AND AVAILABLE FUNDS**

Income Tax	\$70,523.82
Corporation Taxes	23,461.89
Old Age Tax (Meals)	3,488.40
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	40,493.21
Licenses	3,878.85
Fines	158.92
General Government	119.67
Health and Sanitation	1,676.50
Charities (other than federal grants)	9,024.77
Old Age Assistance (other than federal grants)	42,977.26
Veterans' Services	5,164.44
School	37,531.22
Public Service Enterprises (such as Water Dept.)	22,000.00
Cemeteries	92.00
Interest: On Taxes and Assessments	3,064.50
State Assistance for School Construction	12,947.47
Farm Animal Excise	608.40
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Total Estimated Receipts	\$277,210.87

**AMOUNTS TO BE TAKEN FROM AVAILABLE FUNDS**

<i>Source of Funds</i>	<i>Purpose</i>	
S. P. Manter Trust—School		\$1,194.11
Dog Fund—Library		660.79
Water Surplus—Water Dept. Maintenance		9,168.25
Overlay Reserve—Reserve Fund		3,990.91
E. and D.—Middle Road Land Taking		1,742.27
E. and D.—Matt. Hathaway and Mendall Road Taking		32.73
Post War Fund—Water Main in Park Drive		403.48
Porter Street Main—Water Main in Park Drive		207.99
E. and D.—Land Taking on Wing Road		1,140.78
E. and D.—Land Taking on Pope Street		10.74
E. and D.—Curbings and Sidewalks		1,100.03
E. and D.—Debt and Interest		55,240.00
E. and D.—Reserve Fund		6,009.09
E. and D.—New Dump Truck		6,500.00
E. and D.—Reconstruction of Middle Road		10,000.00
Total Available Funds		<hr/> \$97,401.17
Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds		\$374,612.04
Net amount to be raised by Taxation on Polls and Property		\$423,308.01
Number of Polls 1,755 at \$2.00	\$3,510.00	
Total Valuation		
Personal Property	\$835,860.00	
Real Estate	4,086,190.00	
Real Estate Tax		
at \$83.00 per thousand	339,159.20	
Personal Property Tax		
at \$83.00 per thousand	80,638.81	
Total of Polls, Personal and Real Estate Tax		<hr/> 423,308.01
Water Liens added to taxes		368.35
Total Amount of 1961 Taxes on Polls, Property and Assessments added to taxes		<hr/> \$423,676.36

**RECAPITULATION OF MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE  
ASSESSED IN ACUSHNET, MASS. FOR THE YEAR 1961**

Date of Commitment	Commissioner's		Excise Tax
	Number	Value	
April 17, 1961	637	\$208,760.00	\$13,788.16
May 8, 1961	61	23,420.00	1,545.72
June 15, 1961	365	107,280.00	7,125.08
June 29, 1961	319	95,860.00	6,297.82
July 21, 1961	303	91,350.00	6,056.36
August 12, 1961	313	93,380.00	6,244.26
September 13, 1961	265	101,850.00	6,748.10
October 7, 1961	175	76,480.00	4,800.18
November 4, 1961	333	145,340.00	7,271.42
December 20, 1961	472	253,060.00	8,908.24
Totals	3,243	\$1,196,780.00	\$68,785.34

Respectfully submitted,

EUGENE L. DABROWSKI, Chairman  
EDWARD DESSERT  
RUDOLPH H. URBANEK

## REPORT OF ACUSHNET FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1961

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During the year 106 emergency calls were answered.

Autos	2
Brush	12
False	3
Grass	12
House	4
Barns	2
Miscellaneous	8
Oil Stoves	1
Rubbish	13
Tower Calls	32
Woods	6
Garages	1
Electric Wires	2
Cellars Pumped	5
Incinerators	2
Boiler Room	1
Permits Granted For Open Air Fires	1,429
Blasting Permits Issued	5
L. P. Gas Permits	7
Oil Burner Installation Permits	37
Oil Storage Permits	70

### FINANCIAL REPORT 1961

Chief's Salary	\$3,520.00
Firemen, Inspector, District Chief	3,719.79
New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	838.96
New Bedford Gas & Light Co.	87.96
Gas and Oil	265.45

Supplies	263.29
Equipment	471.32
Insurance on Firemen	161.85
Dues	9.00
Repairs	268.75
Fuel Oil Station No. 2	155.72
Hire of Dozer for Dump Fire	199.00
Dry Hydrants Installed (4)	368.87
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Total	\$10,329.96
Unexpended Balance	\$ 66.00
Appropriation	\$10,395.96

Respectfully submitted,

EVERETT BOOKER,  
*Fire Chief*

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## REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Board of Selectmen  
Town Hall  
Acushnet, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report for the year 1961.

### Officers of the Department

James E. Hyde, Chief

Harry Swift, Sergeant

### Patrolmen

Harold Wood	17 Saucier Street
Joseph Almeida	6 Allen Street
George Morse	67 Slocum Street
Joseph Boucher	917 Middle Road
Charles M. Gibbs	36 Jean Street
John Monteiro	34 Garfield Street
Donald Hinckley	11 Wilbur Avenue
Earle Parker	530 Middle Road
Francisco Souza	203 South Main Street
Henry Avila	860 Main Street
Oliver Santos	1149 Main Street
Harold Bamber	21 Boylston Street
Joseph Francis	38 LeBoeuf Street

### Arrests Made in Town by State Police

Drunkenness	1
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### Arrests Made by Town Police

Disturbing the Peace	3
Breaking and Entering	9
Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle	7

Unlicensed Operator	3
Speeding	5
Breaking Glass	1
Operating After Suspension	2
Failing to Keep Right	1
Drunkenness	11
Allowing an Improper Person to Operate	2
Deserter	1
Driving Under the Influence	6
Failing to Stop	1
Operating to Endanger	7
Leaving the Scene	2
Neglect of Family	1

#### **Other Activities of Department**

Motor Vehicle Accidents	65
Those with Property Damage	31
Those with Personal Injury	34
Street Lights Reported Out	195
Missing Persons Reported	29
Dog Bites	30
Bicycles Registered	73
Family Arguments	52
Light Tickets	40
A.W.O.L.	3
Doors Found Open	12
Dead Persons Found	1
Windows Broken	39
Road Watch Cars Stopped	32
Cars Stopped for Minor Violations	130
Licenses Suspended in Town	29
Licenses Suspended by Other Departments	44
Ambulance Service Rendered	157
Stolen Cars Reported	459
Confined to State Hospital	3
Autos Found in Acushnet	11
Dogs Run Over	49

Called to Night Clubs	56
Parking Tickets	62
Shooting Complaints	30
Prowlers Investigated	40
Bicycles Found	40
Bicycles Found	4
Dumping Rubbish	7
Live Stock Killed by Dogs	10

#### **FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

Money Returned from Court	\$131.00
Amount Received from Gun Permits	32.00
Amount Received from Bicycle Plates	18.25
Amount Received from Accident Reports	34.00
Firearms Sale Licenses	10.00
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	\$225.25

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## **REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE**

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### **Acushnet Junior High School**

Townspeople of Acushnet:

The members of the local School Building Committee voted to accept the new Acushnet Junior High School from the general contractor, Olson & Appleby, Inc. of New Bedford on October 19, 1961.

The School Committee voted to accept the new Junior High School to the use of the community on October 30, 1961.

At the April 9, 1959 special town meeting \$575,827 was made available to this Committee. Of this sum \$568,435.64 was expended. Unused funds total \$7,391.36.

Required official papers and copies of all vouchers applicable to project No. 850 (the new Junior High School) were transmitted to the office of the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Commission in Boston on November 2, 1961.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM FAWCETT, JR., Chairman  
EUGENE MENDONSA, Secretary  
PETER F. MURPHY  
CHARLES J. PETERS  
WALTON E. BRALEY, JR.

*Members of the Acushnet  
School Building Committee*

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# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ACUSHNET SCHOOL COMMITTEE 1961

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## Directory

### School Committee Membership

Harold Bates, Chairman	Term expires 1963
Leo T. Jackson	Term expires 1964
William Fawcett, Jr.	Term expires 1962

### Superintendent of Schools

Albert F. Ford    Executive Secretary of the School Committee

### Non-Teaching Personnel

Mrs. Doris A. Messier	Senior Clerk
Dr. William A. Jeffrey	School Physician
Mrs. Katherine Church, R.N.	School Nurse
James E. Hyde	Supervisor of Attendance
Matthew Niziolek, Custodian	Parting Ways School
Joseph F. Resendes, Custodian	Marie S. Howard School
Omer Pineau, Custodian	Mason W. Burt School
Edwin E. Brackett, Custodian	Long Plain School
Oscar H. Forand, Custodian	Acushnet Junior High School
Arthur R. Morris, Custodian	Acushnet Junior High School
Mrs. Beatriz R. Harkins, Cafeteria Manager	Acushnet Junior High School
Mrs. Virginia A. Baird, Cafeteria Helper	Acushnet Junior High School
Mrs. Edna Ronan, Cafeteria Helper	Acushnet Junior High School

**STAFF OF INSTRUCTION****ELEMENTARY GRADES****Howard School**

Mrs. Francis E. Gifford, Principal	Grade 1
Miss Stacia Skoczolek	Grade 2
Miss Isabelle Kosztyla	Grade 3
Mrs. Olivine F. Frost	Grade 4

**Burt School**

Miss Alma Schumann, Principal	Grade 4
Mrs. Mary B. Thomas	Grade 1
Mrs. Mildred F. Meade	Grade 2
Mrs. Yvonne J. Parker	Grade 3

**Long Plain School**

Miss Ruth H. Taber, Principal	Grade 4
Miss Dorothy E. Reynolds	Grade 1
Mrs. Matilda Bertrand	Grade 2
Mrs. Sophronia Howard	Grade 3

**Parting Ways School**

Mrs. Isabelle G. Braley, Principal	Grade 5
Mrs. Anna M. Gacek	Grade 5
Miss Muriel Barnes	Grade 5
Mrs. Jessie C. Dahlberg	Grade 6
Mrs. Elva S. Gurney	Grade 6
Miss Barbara A. Koska	Grade 6
Mrs. Winifred Rounseville (Provisional)	Grade 2

**SECONDARY GRADES**

Mr. Edward J. Tynan, Principal  
Acushnet Junior High School

Social Studies                      Grade 9  
Boys' Physical Education 7,8,9

Miss Suzanne I. Deschenes

English                                      9  
French                                        9

Mrs. Frances T. Duff	Algebra	9
	Business Mathematics	9
	Mathematics	8
Mrs. Eleanor F. Eastham	Social Studies	7,8
Mr. Ronald E. Hall	English	7
	Science	7
Miss Carol M. Hebert	Science	8
	Music	7,8,9
Mr. Donald J. Mayer	English	7,8,9
Mr. John Souza	Science	9
	Industrial Arts	7,8
Mrs. Eleanor D. Townsend	Mathematics	7
	Home Economics	7,8
Mrs. Verna Wuorela	Social Studies	7
	Business Practice	9
	Art	7,8,9
	Girls' Physical Education	7,8,9

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## **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT — 1961**

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The annual report submitted here is the thirtieth in a consecutive series released by the writer.

The School Committee held twenty-five formal meetings during the year. On March 13, 1961 Harold Bates was designated Chairman of the Board for the ensuing year.

The weather was extremely severe during January and February. A net loss of ten school days resulted. Parts of the February and April recesses were used to make up some of this lost time. State law requires that secondary schools must operate for at least 180 days in any given school year. Being unable to meet this requirement by June 23rd, an exemption was sought and received from the State Department of Education. To forestall such an eventuality in the future the School Committees scheduled 187 days in its school calendar to and including the last day of school in June, 1962. Many parents noted an immediate impact in the much shorter recess at Christmas time.

There were several changes in the teaching staff. The following resignations occurred, effective on June 23, 1961:

Miss Beverly Oliveira, grade 1 at the Long Plain School

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Wilson, Junior High School staff

Mrs. Patricia Baggarly, grade 6 at the Parting Ways School

Mrs. Doris F. Macomber, grade 6 at the Parting Ways School

The following new assignments were approved, effective September 5, 1961:

Miss Dorothy E. Reynolds, grade 1 at the Long Plain School



Mrs. Verna Wuorela, Junior High School staff  
 Mr. Ronald E. Hall, Junior High School staff  
 Miss Barbara Koska, grade 6 at the Parting Ways School  
 Mrs. Elva S. Gurney, grade 6 at the Parting Ways School

### AGE AND GRADE DISTRIBUTION

October 1, 1961

Grade	Age												Total
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
1	20	53	4										77
2		33	61	6	1								101
3		1	24	53	14	5	2						99
4				19	55	9	4	1					88
5					17	44	13	5	1				80
6						19	37	20	1	1			78
7							19	48	14	10	1	2	94
8								15	43	17	4	4	83
9									12	46	5	4	67
Ttl.	20	87	89	78	87	77	75	89	71	74	10	10	767

### ATTENDING OUT OF TOWN

Grade	County				Total
	New Bedford High	Fairhaven High	Vocational High	Agricultural High	
9	none	none	33	1	34
10	79	1	28	1	109
11	35	1	29	—	65
12	36	none	16	1	53
Total	150	2	106	3	261

### ATTENDING SPECIAL CLASSES IN NEW BEDFORD

Lincoln School	2
DeValles School	1
Campbell School	1

### **Distribution of Pupils**

Your attention is drawn to the October 1, 1961 distribution chart. A study of numbers to be found at each grade level is revealing. To understand the nature of enrollment pressures it is necessary to know the manner in which pupils are housed at the present time. Both elementary and secondary pupils, accommodated locally in grades one through nine, are distributed among three classrooms at each grade level. The exception to this pattern is in grade two where four classrooms are utilized to teach 101 enrollees. Hence a total of twenty-eight classrooms house these pupils.

Scanning the distribution chart, it becomes obvious that pressures exist for more classroom space. Looking to September, 1962 there is a possibility that four classrooms may be required for grades one, three, and four among elementary pupils. Elementary pupils are defined as those children attending grades one through six. Secondary pupils, attending locally, are enrolled in grades seven, eight and nine at the Acushnet Junior High School. In this area, there is also a possibility that four classrooms would be needed at the eighth grade level.

As an apparent need for four classrooms at each grade level becomes increasingly evident, it follows that the school plant as a whole must ultimately crystallize into thirty-six conventional instruction spaces. There are twenty-nine rooms available at the present time. A total of twenty classrooms exist for elementary pupils. Nine classrooms are located in the new Acushnet Junior High School, all of which are currently in use. With the passing of time, it becomes obvious that school plant planning will be in order.

The chart also indicates a sharp increase in the number of local students attending the New Bedford High School and the New Bedford Vocational High School. When making a provision for funds with which to pay tuition bills and to transport

high school students to and from the city of New Bedford, it is vital to anticipate enrollment increases. The 67 ninth grade students, now housed at the Acushnet Junior High School, will register at the tenth grade level in the New Bedford High School in September of 1962. With 36 students planning to graduate from the New Bedford High School in June, 1962, it follows that the total number of enrollees from Acushnet in September, 1962 will approximate 180. This is an estimated 20% increase in enrollment of Acushnet students at the New Bedford High School for September, 1962.

In a similar vein, should acceptance practices at the New Bedford Vocational High School remain the same in September, 1962, the increase among Acushnet students here would also approach 20%.

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On October 30, 1961 the School Committee voted to accept the new Acushnet Junior High School to the continuing use of the town. Note the report of the Acushnet School Building Committee. It is to the credit of the Building Committee that funds remained unexpended upon the satisfactory completion of the project.

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Shingling and painting of exterior walls was completed at the Parting Ways School. A new heating unit was installed in the basement of the Parting Ways School. On an emergency basis, a new water storage tank was installed at the Long Plain School. Routine painting and varnishing was completed within all the local schools.

Much exterior painting is anticipated in 1962. The bell cupolas at the Long Plain School and the Parting Ways School will be reinforced and repaired in 1962.

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The School Committee noted with regret the passing of Arthur Forand on April 10, 1961. Mr. Forand was a former school custodian at the Long Plain School.

The diligent and constructive efforts of an able teaching staff are recognized here. Mrs. Doris A. Messier, senior clerk, and the several school custodians continue to make a creditable contribution in their respective areas. The members of the Junior High School cafeteria force have performed unusually well. It is a pleasure to stress the fact that the cafeteria is self-sustaining.

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**Financial Statement**  
**Support of Education — 1961**

	Expended in 1961	Estimated 1962
Administration	\$11,355.73	\$12,050.00
Teachers' Salaries	137,525.03	157,000.00
Books and Supplies	5,885.79	6,500.00
Janitors' Salaries	21,083.60	23,600.00
Maintenance	7,390.80	8,000.00
Fuel	8,350.33	9,000.00
Repairs	2,543.63	3,000.00
Transportation	44,343.00	46,000.00
Tuition	51,487.71	62,000.00
Sundries	388.02	400.00
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Total Expenditure	\$290,353.64	\$327,550.00
Available in 1961	291,564.00	
Balance 1961	1,210.36	
Estimated Revenue	92,391.00	98,281.00
Estimated Net Cost	199,173.00	229,269.00
		(Total 1962)

**Vocational Education**

Total Expenditure	\$51,869.14	\$60,000.00
Available in 1961	52,500.00	
Balance 1961	630.86	
Estimated Revenue	20,581.00	24,000.00
Estimated Net Cost	31,919.00	36,000.00

During the school year ending in June, 1961 participation in the school lunch program was high. The number of lunches served to students and teachers at the Junior High School reached 30,791 with gross receipts of \$7,404.50. The 1961-1962 school year cafeteria program was launched with a cash balance of \$1,347.92 and an inventory of \$193.98.

Acushnet is a growing community. Its total population is reaching toward the 7,000 mark. The complexities of modern day school administration are very much a part of the large responsibility carried by the members of the Acushnet School Committee. I am sure the School Committee will continue to approach the ever changing educational scene with a constructive determination and vigor.

Respectfully yours,

ALBERT F. FORD,  
*Superintendent of Schools*

January 16, 1962

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We have this day voted to accept the foregoing report as the annual report of the School Committee for the year ending December 31, 1961.

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

HAROLD BATES, Chairman  
LEO T. JACKSON  
WILLIAM FAWCETT, JR.  
*Acushnet School Committee*

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL PHYSICIAN AND NURSE

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Acushnet, Massachusetts  
January 30, 1962

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

We (the School Physician and Nurse) respectfully submit for your consideration a factual report of data concerning our work during the year 1961.

Physical examinations were given to 384 children, 94 of whom had parents present; these examinations revealing the following conditions:

Dental defects	72
Ear conditions	54
Nose and throat conditions	82
Cardiac defect	1
Postural abnormality	11
Foot conditions	11
Miscellaneous defects	14

Seventy-six of these children were referred to their family physician for treatment.

The Massachusetts Vision Examination was given to 1490 children, of which there were 232 failures. Forty-nine of these have been seen by their doctors for corrective treatment.

The Massachusetts Pure-Tone Audiometer Test for Hearing was given to 1127 children with 40 failures; 32 of the 40 failures have had corrective treatment.

During the month of May, a Tuberculosis Patch Test program was conducted through Grades 1, 4 and 8 at St. Francis Xavier School and through Grades 1, 4 and 9 in the Acushnet Public Schools. During this program, we discovered 392 negative reactions and 16 positive reactions.

During the summer, in the presence of their parents, physical examinations were given to children expecting to enter school in September.

At the Clinic which is held in Russell Memorial Library at 2 P.M. on the first Wednesday of each month, we

- a. Attended to 324 children.
- b. Inoculated 103 children against Diphtheria, Pertussis, and Tetanus.
- c. Performed 60 Small-pox vaccinations.
- d. Inoculated 5 persons against Diphtheria and Tetanus.

In conduction of a program against "Polio" (Infantile Paralysis), we have offered injections of Salk Vaccine free of charge and have had wonderful attendance and co-operation by our citizens. During this year, we have given 958 inoculations.

This winter, we were able to offer an immunization program against "Flu" and gave inoculations of Influenza Virus Vaccine to 487 persons.

Thus, briefly, we have presented the essential parts of what has been a busy, pleasant, and happy year of work and progress in the interests of better health for our community. It is a pleasant duty, and we have enjoyed immensely the comradeship and co-operation of the Students, the Parents, the School Committee, the Superintendent and Teachers, and co-workers.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM A. JEFFREY,  
*School Physician*

KATHERINE H. CHURCH, R.N.  
*School Nurse*

## REPORT OF CIVILIAN DEFENSE

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To the Citizens of the Town of Acushnet:

The Acushnet Auxiliary Police have done traffic duty every Sunday at the local churches, rain or shine. They have also been out in all emergencies such as big snow storms and hurricane scares. They have put in a total of 1138½ hours for 1961 making a total of 6950 since 1957.

The rescue team is ready to assist any department in town any way they can. The truck was out in the snow storms and when we had the hurricane scare. It was at Pope Park on the 4th of July giving first aid to anyone that needed it.

In the past year we have added a 1750 watt generator to the truck. The truck was in all parades.

The rescue team has put in a total of 320 hours in the past year.

At this time I wish to tell the citizens of Acushnet that at the old town barn, where we hold our meetings, are open to the public. In case of emergencies we have bottled gas there and an oil stove to heat the barn.

In the past year we lost Aurie Dulude, one of our Auxiliary Police, who passed away while on duty.

We have a Women's Auxiliary which was active for about seven months but is inactive now. What we would like is to have a registered nurse the head of it.

Police Liaison Officer — Lionel Ferreira  
Lieutenant — John Cunha

Sergeants — Arthur Lafrenais, David Rawcliffe



Harold Bates  
Richard Girard  
Joseph G. Lafrenais  
Edward Hall  
Donald Lowe  
Charles E. Swift

Maurice Dion  
Foster Paulino  
John Tavares  
Aurie Dulude  
Joaquim Santos  
Arnold Machado

Herman DeMello

### CIVIL DEFENSE RESCUE TEAM

Walter Tripp  
Leonard Spooner  
Dennis Gautreau

Ernest Letendre  
Thomas Wunschel  
Valmore H. Gonneville

Roland Paradise

A 1954 Chevrolet 1 ton Panel Truck has been secured for the Civil Defense Rescue Team. There will be a meeting every Thursday night at Headquarters for the training of the men in the use of this equipment.

### WOMEN'S DIVISION OF CIVIL DEFENSE

Beatrice Ferreira  
Helen Bates  
Beverly Baker  
Marie R. Paulino  
Cecelia Tavares

Lillian Hall  
Constance Paulino  
Beatrice Gibbs  
Madeline B. Sylvia  
Viola Lafrenais

The women will meet Monday nights at Civil Defense Headquarters.

CHARLES M. GIBBS,  
*Chief Defense Director*

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