



Town of Kingston

Annual Report

Nineteen Hundred and Forty-four

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OF KINGSTON

MASSACHUSETTS

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

AND OTHER

TOWN OFFICERS

For the Year Ending December 31

1944

WITH THE REPORT OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

FOR THE YEAR 1944

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In Memorium

ARTHUR WORDEN PIERCE

Born—November 28, 1862

Died—July 19, 1944

In the passing of Arthur Worden Pierce, the town has lost another valued and respected officer. The Board of Registrars, who worked with him, has also lost a good friend. Mr. Pierce was born here, and spent his entire life in Kingston. He always had a great deal of interest in town affairs. His last position for the Town of Kingston was as a member of the Board of Registrars. He served faithfully and conscientiously for eight years.

Mr. Pierce was employed at the Cobb & Drew Co. for a period of sixty-two years. He retired only a year before his death. This was a record of which he was justifiably proud.

TOWN OF KINGSTON

Population, January 1, 1940—2,777

Legal Voters, January 1, 1945—1,486

Ninth Congressional District

First Councillor District

First Plymouth Representative District

Consisting of Plymouth, Kingston, Halifax, Plympton, Carver,
with meeting place in Plymouth, and having one representative.

TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen—William M. Post, Chairman, Percy W. Bailey and
John J. Moore; Clerk of Selectmen, Irma A. Ruffini.

Town Clerk—George W. Cushman.

Town Treasurer—George W. Cushman.

Town Collector—George W. Cushman.

Assessors—Francis P. McManus, Chairman and Clerk; Henry
L. Barker and John T. Randall.

Board of Public Welfare—John J. Moore, Chairman, Percy W.
Bailey, William M. Post. Mrs. Harriet W. Royal, Welfare Agent.

School Committee—Dorothy Hathaway, Chairman, Ruth H.
Bailey, Ernest H. Cote, Richard R. Gessner, P. Cabot Rush-
ton. Laurence H. Burnham served to April 15, 1944; Frank

A. Randall was elected at a joint meeting of the Selectmen and the School Committee on May 16, 1944, and served until July 24, 1944; Ernest H. Cote was elected at a joint meeting of the Selectmen and the School Committee on November 14, 1944.

Board of Health—Percy W. Bailey, Chairman, John J. Moore, William M. Post.

Constables—William H. Brown, Colice C. Tison.

Water Commissioners—Ralph F. Santoro, Chairman, Frank A. Sampson, Henry J. Walsh. Lincoln C. Bartlett served until June 25, 1944; Samuel C. Bonney was elected at a joint meeting of the Selectmen and the Board of Water Commissioners on July 25, 1944, and served until September 7, 1944; Frank A. Sampson was elected at a joint meeting of the Selectmen and the Board of Water Commissioners on December 5, 1944.

Moderator—Albert H. Holmes.

Tree Warden—John T. Randall.

Library Trustees—Newell O. Blanchard, Chairman; Henry L. Barker, Treasurer; Frank A. Randall, Secretary; Carl W. Stegmaier, Harvey A. Soule, and John E. Wright.

Playground Commission—Fred L. Bailey, Chairman; George A. Candini, Jr., Antone J. Spath, George J. Tura,* Lester F. Zahn*.

Town Accountant—Irma A. Ruffini.

Chief of Police—William H. Brown.

Police Officers—Frederick E. Corrow, Eugene C. Merry, Colice C. Tison.

Special Police Officers—Peter J. Dries, Henry Kritzmacher, George T. Pratt, Emil Sauer.

Superintendent of Streets—George P. Holmes.

Forest Fire Warden—George P. Holmes.

Fire Engineers—Edgar W. Loring, Chairman; Albert H. Holmes, Clerk; George P. Holmes, Chief Engineer; Myron S. Holman, Emil Sauer.

Superintendent of Moth Work—John T. Randall.

Scaler of Weights and Measures—George T. Pratt.

Inspector of Animals—Charles J. Drury.

Inspector of Slaughtering—Charles J. Drury.

Agent Board of Health—George W. Cushman.

Superintendent of Schools—Charles W. Lawrance.

Dog Officer—William H. Brown.

Harbormaster—Colice C. Tison.

Superintendent of Water Department—Lincoln C. Bartlett.

Asst. Superintendent of Water Department—Kenneth L. Davis. Paul Verdelli replacing Mr. Davis while he is serving in the U. S. Army.

Registrars of Voters—Louis H. Glass, Chairman; Harold F. Battles and Leon P. Tura; George W. Cushman, Clerk. Arthur W. Pierce served until the time of his death, July 19, 1944; Harold F. Battles was appointed August 8, 1944.

Finance Committee—Orfeo H. Sgarzi, Chairman; Fred L. Bailey, Lawrence W. Bailey, Orrin G. Colley, Arnold Facchini, Myron S. Holman, Richard W. Loring, Joseph R. McManus, Richard W. O'Brien.

Shellfish Constables—William H. Brown, Colice C. Tison.

Superintendent of Old Burying Ground—Michael H. McGrath.

Pound Keeper—Emil Sauer.

Director of Plymouth County Extension Service—William M. Post.

Fence Viewers—Jacob H. Dries, Horace C. Weston.

Field Driver—Warren S. Nickerson.

Measurers of Wood and Bark—Henry F. Balboni, Russell C. Loring.

Fish Committee—Samuel C. Bonney, Walter R. Davis, Albert W. Douglas, Dr. Arthur B. Holmes, Frank H. Shaw.

Trustees Under the Will of Ichabod Washburn—Harvey A. Soule, John T. Cushman, Albert H. Holmes.

Sworn Weighers—David Peckham, Norman Merry, George W. Loring, Edgar W. Loring, Russell C. Loring, Richard W. Loring, Frank A. Randall, Olive Burnham, Marshall Whitney.

Call Firemen—Richard W. Loring, P. Cabot Rushton, Leroy Jackson, Eugene C. Merry, George T. Pratt, Edmund Dube, John B. West, Richard W. O'Brien, Louis J. Dube, Louis H. Glass, Asa W. Glass, Henry F. Herget, Abel L. Keene, Howard B. MacFarlane, Joseph Medara, Joseph McGrath, Earl Paulding, Roger Holmes, Albert Alberghini, Homer Tilton, Leno Zaniboni, Abraham A. Ruffini* and Charles McCarthy*.

* In the Armed Forces.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH, 1944

March 13, 1944

The adjourned meeting was called to order at 7:00 o'clock P. M. by the Moderator, Albert H. Holmes. No demand for the reading of the warrant.

Article 2. The following officers were chosen:

Measurers of Wood and Bark—Russell C. Loring, Henry F. Balboni.

Director of Plymouth County Extension Service—William M. Post.

Fish Committee—Dr. Arthur B. Holmes, Albert W. Douglas, Samuel C. Bonney, Walter R. Davis, Frank H. Shaw.

Article 3. On the motion of Harold J. Weston, Voted:

That the reports of Town Officers as printed in the Town Report be accepted.

Due to the fact that there were not enough voters present to continue, Articles 18 and 24 were acted on.

Article 4. On motion of William M. Post, Voted: That the salaries of elected officers be fixed as follows:

Moderator	\$25.00
Town Clerk	200.00
Treasurer	600.00
Collector	700.00
Chairman of Selectmen	275.00
Other Selectmen, each	137.50

Chairman of Board of Health	165.00
Other Members of Board of Health, each	27.50
Chairman of Board of Public Welfare	385.00
Other Members of Board of Public Welfare, each	110.00
Chairman of Board of Assessors	900.00
Other Assessors, each	300.00
Water Commissioners, each	50.00

Article 5. On the motion of Harry M. Belcher, Voted: That budget items 1-61 inclusive be raised and appropriated as recommended by the Finance Committee—each item to be considered separately.

General Government

1. Moderator, Salary	\$ 25.00
2. Selectmen, Salaries and Expenses	1,117.00
3. Accountant and Auditor	2,236.00
4. Treasurer and Collector	2,655.00
5. Assessors	1,850.00
6. Town Clerk	593.50
7. Election and Registration	706.00
8. Finance Committee	10.00
9. Town House Maintenance	1,955.00

Protection of Persons and Property

10. Police Maintenance	4,524.00
11. Dog Officer	50.00
12. Shellfish	380.00

13. Harbor Master	15.00
14. Fire Department—Maintenance	4,589.70
15. Sealer of Weights and Measures	300.00
16. Suppression of Moths	1,300.00
17. Tree Warden	125.00
18. Forest Fires—Prevention	1,200.00
19. Bounties on Seals	11.00
20. Insurance on Municipal Buildings and Property	1,800.00
21. Insurance Workmen's Compensation	500.00
22. Municipal Buildings Insurance Fund	None
23. Defense	500.00

Health and Sanitation

24. Health	
Percy W. Bailey moved an amendment that the amount \$1,820 be changed to read \$1,620.	
<i>Amendment is Carried</i>	1,620.00
25. Inspector of Animals	150.00
26. Inspector of Slaughtering	50.00

Highways

27. Ordinary Repairs, Salary of Superintendent and Care of Building and lot for Equipment, and Painting White Lines on Street	7,580.00
28. Road Machinery, Road Machinery Fund	
29. Road Machinery—Tax Levy	2,000.00
30. Street, Direction and Danger Signs	None

31. Snow Removal, including maintenance of Snow Fences and Sanding Roads	2,500.00
32. Street Lighting	2,775.00

Charities

33. Public Welfare—Administration	1,105.00
34. Public Welfare—General Relief	5,500.00
35. Aid to Dependent Children—Administration	100.00
36. Aid to Dependent Children—Assistance	1,650.00
37. Old Age Assistance—Administration	650.00
38. Old Age Assistance—Aid	18,000.00
39. Soldiers' Relief	500.00

Schools

40. Schools — Departments, including ordinary re- pairs	
41. School Lunches—Labor Only	
Total	56,431.16

Library

42. Library—From Dog Fund	495.16
43. Library—From Tax Levy	1,404.84

Recreation and Unclassified

Playground:

44. Maintenance	2,717.00
45. Extraordinary Repairs to Building	200.00

46. Recreational Equipment and Repairs	100.00
47. Repairs to Furnishings	150.00
48. Parks	150.00
49. Town Green and War Memorial Plot	100.00
50. Care of Other Municipal Property	25.00
51. Observance of Memorial and Armistice Days	200.00
52. County Aid to Agriculture	100.00
53. Town Reports, Preparation and Distribution	700.00
54. Legal Expenses and Contingencies	500.00
55. Reserve, from Overlay Surplus	3,000.00
56. Reserve, from Tax Levy	None

Enterprises and Cemeteries

Water Department:

57. Maintenance	5,993.75
58. Equipment	100.00
59. Painting Tank	600.00
60. Alewife Committee	60.00

Interest

61. Interest—Temporary Loans	50.00
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Total Budget Items Voted \$143,699.21

Less Amounts to be Transferred 3,495.16

Amount to be raised by taxation \$140,203.95

Article 6. On the motion of George W. Cushman, Voted: That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1944, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 7. On the motion of John J. Moore, Voted: That \$1,500 be raised and appropriated to be used with any sums that may be allotted by the State or County or both for Chapter 90 maintenance work and transfer from available funds \$3,000 account of State and County share and reimbursement received be credited back to surplus revenue.

Article 8. William M. Post moved that the sum of \$20,000 be transferred from available funds in the treasury for the purchase of war bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks to establish a post-war rehabilitation fund in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943.

Harry M. Belcher moved an amendment that the sum of this article be amended from \$20,000 to \$10,000. *Amendment is Carried.*

A vote was taken on the motion as amended as follows:

Voted: That the sum of \$10,000 be transferred from available funds in the treasury for the purchase of war bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks to establish a post-war rehabilitation fund in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943.

Article 9. On the motion of Lincoln C. Bartlett, Voted: That \$10,500 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of replacing the present 4 inch water pipe on Evergreen Street with a 10 inch water main.

Article 10. On the motion of Lincoln C. Bartlett, Voted: That \$3,300 be raised and appropriated for the purpose of replacing the present 4 inch water pipe on Summer Street from the property of Frederick E. Nava, 129 Summer Street, to property of Jane N. Anderson, (Houston), 161 Summer Street, with a 6 inch water main.

Article 11. William M. Post moved that the sum of \$575.00 be raised and appropriated to be used for insulating in the Town House. *Motion is not carried.* (Yes—34; No—57).

The following tellers were appointed by the Moderator:

Harold J. Weston, Albert F. Alberghini, Newell O. Blanchard, George A. Walsh.

Article 12. William M. Post moved that the sum of \$325.00 be raised and appropriated for weather stripping for the Town House. *Motion is not carried.* (Yes—44; No—47).

Article 13. On the motion of John J. Moore, Voted: That \$500.00 be raised and appropriated for the purchase of a two-way Link Frequency Modulated Mobile Car Radio for the Police Department.

Article 14. On the motion of Percy W. Bailey, Voted: That \$300.00 be raised and appropriated for use in maintaining during the ensuing year, the mosquito control work as estimated and certified to by the State Reclamation Board in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 112, Acts of 1931.

Article 15. On the motion of Percy W. Bailey, Voted: That \$750.00 be raised and appropriated for the establishment and maintenance of a free bed in the Contagious Ward of the Jordan Hospital for the care and treatment of persons certified by the Selectmen to be residents of Kingston and unable to pay for such care and treatment, in accordance with Section 74, Chapter 111, of the General Laws as amended by Chapter 72, Acts of 1941.

Article 16. On the motion of Harry M. Belcher, Voted: That \$10,000 now available in Free Cash be appropriated for the use of the Assessors in the reduction of the tax levy.

When this article was originally taken up, no motion was made; therefore, no action was taken. After Article 23 was acted on, Orfeo H. Sgarzi moved to reconsider this article.

Article 17. On the motion of Earl C. Paulding, Voted: That the sum of \$3,500 be raised and appropriated to be used for extending the water main approximately 1,600 feet on Grove Street to the property of Earl C. Paulding.

Article 18. On the motion of William M. Post, Voted: That the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to accept for the Town a gift of \$151.31 for the purpose of establishing a Flag Fund, the funds to be placed in the keeping of the Town Treasurer and administered jointly by the Selectmen, and the Town Treasurer, the income or principal or both to be used for the purchase, upkeep or replacement of an American Flag for the Town and for sundry service in order that the Flag may be properly displayed.

Flag Fund

We the undersigned representing the former Kingston Social Club, Kingston Chamber of Commerce and Kingston Boys' Club, do in their behalf present to the Town of Kingston the sum of \$151.31 for the purpose of establishing a Flag Fund.

This fund is to be in the custody of the Town Treasurer, and the income or principal or both to be used to purchase an American Flag, and to replace same whenever the Selectmen and Treasurer, in their judgment deem it advisable. If, at any time the income should be greater than the amount necessary to purchase flags, the excess income may be used for the repairs and painting of the flag pole including the replacement of same if necessary, and for the replacement of the halyards or care of the Memorial Plot.

It is the intention of the donors that this fund may be added to, by any individual or organization at any time if they so desire.

It is the desire of the donors that the flag be displayed on the Town flag pole during the proper hours of every state and national holiday and on every pleasant day during the period from April 19th through November 11th.

P. Cabot Rushton
Herbert L. Glass
Frank A. Randall

Article 19. On the motion of Dorothy Hathaway, Voted: That the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$165.00 to cover retirement pay of teachers who have been called to serve in the armed forces, in accordance with Chapter 419 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, 1913.

Article 20. On the motion of Laurence H. Burnham, Voted: That the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 to cover the expense of Vocational Education in 1944 for legal residents of Kingston.

Article 21. On the motion of Laurence H. Burnham, Voted: That the town raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 to be used in grading at Howland's Lane School.

Article 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to cover the purchase of a parcel of land as a future school site. *No motion made.*

Article 23. On the motion of Laurence H. Burnham, Voted: That the town raise and appropriate \$20.52 to pay an unpaid bill for tuition to the Weymouth Vocational School from November 29th, 1943, to December 23rd, 1943.

Article 24. On the motion of Irma A. Ruffini, Voted: That the following appropriation balances be closed out to Surplus Revenue:

Town House Fixtures	\$2.40
Police Uniforms	.80
Police Equipment	39.73
Police New Cruiser	58.00
Forest Fires—Equipment	10.00
Health—Equipment	9.50
Highway—Equipment	13.12
Schools Maintenance—1942	.87
School Equipment—1942	1.58
Works Progress Administration	1,553.70
W. P. A. Special Pipe Laying	.91
500,000 Gal. Standpipe, etc.	.65

On the motion of William M. Post, Voted: To adjourn.
(9:45 P. M.)

The vote checker was George T. Pratt.

197 voters present—75 men and 32 women.

Summary of the Town Meeting

Budget Items, Voted	\$143,699.21
Less Amounts to be Transferred	3,495.16
Amount of Budget Items to be raised by Taxation	\$140,203.95
Article 7. Chapter 90	\$4,500.00
Article 8. Bonds	10,000.00
Article 9. Water—Evergreen Street	10,500.00
Article 10. Water—Summer Street	3,300.00
Article 13. Police Radio	500.00
Article 14. Mosquito Control	300.00
Article 15. Jordan Hospital	750.00

Article 17. Water—Grove Street	3,500.00
Article 19. Teachers' Retirement	165.00
Article 20. Vocational Education	400.00
Article 21. Grading—Howland's Lane School	150.00
Article 23. Unpaid Bill—Vocational Education	20.52

\$174,239.47

Less:

Article 8. Bonds to be taken from Free Cash	\$10,000.00
Article 7. Chapter 90 to be taken from Free Cash	3,000.00
Article 16. Free and unappropri- ated cash	10,000.00

Total of the above \$23,000.00

Total amount to be raised by taxation, Voted: \$151,239.47

GEORGE W. CUSHMAN,

Town Clerk.

BIRTHS RECORDED IN KINGSTON FOR THE YEAR 1944

Date	Name	Names of Parents
Jan. 1	Dana Colebrook Hirst	Harry Hirst and Helen Elizabeth Bailey
Jan. 2	Gordon Lee Antoniotti	Frank Louis Antoniotti and Charlotte Helen Mark
Jan. 3	Daria Marie Montanari	Agostino Montanari and Marie Antoinette Belisle
Jan. 12	John Farren Vantangoli	Thomas Ralph Vantangoli and Dorothy Louise Johnson
Jan. 12	Alton Joseph Matinzi, Jr.	Alton Joseph Matinzi and Bertha May Hanelt
Jan. 13	Sandra Lee Faherty	John Martin Patrick Faherty and Pearl Blanche Bessie Teto
Jan. 17	Sandra Lee Pimental	Daniel G. Pimental and Letitia LeCain
Feb. 13	Gail Selma Bartlett	Edward Francis Fairbanks Bartlett and Katherine Louise Welch
Mar. 2	Kenneth Paul Cushman	Francis Elliott Cushman and Mary Louise Nava
Mar. 6	Norma Lee Ghidoni	Dino John Ghidoni and Beverly Louise Burgess
Mar. 8	Joan Elaine Keenan	Roger Keenan and Eva Turcotte
Mar. 9	John Oscar Johnson	George O. Johnson and Pearl E. McGowan
Mar. 11	Diana Marie Tassinari	Remido L. Tassinari and Ida F. Nickerson
Mar. 14	Ruth Enid Mitchell	Warren Herbert Mitchell and Esther Lilley Wells
Mar. 22	Cynthia Anne Merry	Norman Francis Merry and Elsie Louise Monti
Mar. 27	Brenda May Candini	George Alfonso Candini, Jr. and Gertrude Florence Putnam
Apr. 7	Walter Guy Antoniotti	Henry Antoniotti and Mary Joanna Chelluck
Apr. 10	Anita Caroline Silva	John Joseph Silva and Mary Ann Perangelo
Apr. 14	James Albert Ruprecht	John Ernest Ruprecht and Aili May Alander
Apr. 18	Richard Anthony Malone	Eugene Andrew Malone and Agnes Thomas
Apr. 27	John Allan Perry	Manuel Perry and Caroline Mary Verdelli
May 12	Karen Elaine Everson	Forrest Montgomery Everson and Dorothy May Cobb

Date	Name	Names of Parents
May 15	Roy Lopes Dos Santos	Caesar L. Santos and Laura Barboza
May 20	Paul Christian Showstead	Arthur Valentine Showstead and Dorothy Amelia Weeber
May 23	Diane Gloria Viera	Manuel Viera and Mary Gloria Canton
June 1	Ruth Lunt	George L. Lunt, Jr. and Thelma I. Merry
June 3	Roslyn Angelina Thomas	John Thomas and Florence Mabel Williamson
June 5	Dennis Derald Norway	William Wallace Norway and Connie Rita Keenan
June 6	Paul Zachariah Cushman	George William Cushman and Daria Jeanne B. C.

Mar. 22	Cynthia Anne Merry	Norman Francis Merry and Elsie Louise Monti
Mar. 27	Brenda May Candini	George Alfonso Candini, Jr. and Gertrude Florence Putnam
Apr. 7	Walter Guy Antonietti	Henry Antonietti and Mary Joanna Chelluck
Apr. 10	Anita Caroline Silva	John Joseph Silva and Mary Ann Perangelo
Apr. 14	James Albert Ruprecht	John Ernest Ruprecht and Aili May Alander
Apr. 18	Richard Anthony Malone	Eugene Andrew Malone and Agnes Thomas
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May 23	Diane Gloria Viera	Manuel Viera and Mary Gloria Caton
June 1	Ruth Lunt	George L. Lunt, Jr. and Thelma I. Merry
June 3	Roslyn Angelina Thomas	John Thomas and Florence Mabel Williamson
June 5	Dennis Derald Norway	William Wallace Norway and Connie Rita Keenan
June 6	Paul Zachariah Cushman	George William Cushman and Doris Irene Borden
June 9	Robert Everett Adams	Kenneth E. Adams and Helen Lydia Travers
July 6	Ruth Ellis Sturtevant	Henry C. Sturtevant and Jane Farrington
July 10	Leroy Anthony Martin	Erwin Francis Martin and Adeline Palmere Fenez
July 19	Edward Urbin Desreuisseau, Jr.	Edward Urbin Desreuisseau and Angelina Mary Lenzi
Aug. 7	Joyce Elizabeth Dyer	Edward Ward Dyer and Nellie E. Bassett
Aug. 22	Stanley Kenneth Ireland	Weldon Elmore Ireland and Alberta Romaine Peck
Sept. 7	Frank Silva	Severino Silva and Mary Mazzilli
Sept. 7	Ann Haven Jacobson	Woodrow Richard Jacobson and Cynthia Haven Bailey
Sept. 18	Robert Joseph Cavacco	Joseph Souza Cavacco and Annette Rosanna Roberge
Sept. 21	Carol Jean Tarantino	Boris Philip Tarantino and Mary Rita Ricardo
Sept. 28	Edward Charles McManus	Joseph Raymond McManus and Amy Marguerite Freeman
Sept. 29	Richard Henry Malaguti	Henry Joseph Malaguti and Mildred Frances Wareham
Oct. 2	Stephen Rossi	Santa George Rossi and Helen Harriett Hurle
Nov. 19	Marie Ann Balboni	Henry F. Balboni and Caroline A. Govoni
Nov. 21	Stephen Wainwright Pierce	Albert F. Pierce, Jr. and Ann W. Bittinger
Nov. 28	Carol Ann Thrasher	George Edward Thrasher and Hazel Winifred Edwards
Nov. 30	Erie Francis Marvelli	Louis J. Marvelli and Mafakla G. Tassinari

Date	Name	Names of Parents
Dec. 3	Jo-Anne Ferreira	Joseph D. Ferreira and Delia N. Nava
Dec. 8	Carol Lee Westgate	Lawrence B. Westgate and Lena P. Nardozzi
Dec. 11	Sandra Elizabeth Anderson	Frank C. Anderson and Elizabeth Ann Taddia
Dec. 13	Melvin Allan Cherry	Charles Leon Cherry and Pearl Louise Head
Dec. 13	Mary Ann Barboza	Armando Barboza and Nellie J. Youngman
Dec. 15	Alfred David Darsch, Jr.	Alfred David Darsch and Florence Marie Eddy
Dec. 19	Margaret Emily Hayden	Malcolm Parker Hayden and Marjorie Mae Ewell
Dec. 27	John Delano	Joseph Delano and Evelyn Johns

OMISSIONS AND CORRECTIONS OF BIRTHS FOR OTHER YEARS

Date	Name	Names of Parents
1926		
Sept. 12	Richard Cretinon	George Cretinon and Alice A. Basler
1898		
Mar. 15	Lena Winter	John Winter and Christina Kritzmacher
1940		

OMISSIONS AND CORRECTIONS OF BIRTHS FOR OTHER YEARS

Date	Name	Names of Parents
1926		
Sept. 12	Richard Cretinon	George Cretinon and Alice A. Basler
1896		
Mar. 15	Lena Winter	John Winter and Christina Kritzmacher
1940		
Mar. 25	Barbara Louise Vantangoli	Thomas R. Vantangoli and Dorothy L. Johnson
1942		
May 22	Robert Edward Dickson	Samuel Dickson and Marion Lussier
1907		
May 15	Albert Ferdinand Alberghini	John Alberghini and Bianica Barteri
1889		
Mar. 23	Ava Wallace Phinney	Elliott Ellsworth Phinney and Elizabeth Frances Maglathlin
1938		
May 22	Anna Santos Dias	John Dias and Georgina Santos
1902		
June 2	Edna Emilie Peck	Julius Peck and Mary A. Schmitt
1938		
Apr. 13	Manuel Silva	Severino Silva and Mary Mazzilli
1903		
Aug. 22	Emil Frederick Sauer	Jacob Sauer and Barbara Bechtel
1927		
Jan. 13	Robert Nicholas Zinsius	Nicholas E. Zinsius and Florilda Lamontagne

MARRIAGES RECORDED IN KINGSTON FOR THE YEAR 1944

Date	Names	Residence	Married at
Jan. 8	Joseph D. E. Bjorkman Mary A. Thomas (Marshall)	Lowell Plymouth	Kingston
Jan. 9	Frank Elmer Hazeldine Katherine Tangle (Kelly)	Kingston Kingston	Kingston
Feb. 15	Mmanuel Mello, Jr. Olivia Nogueira	Plymouth Kingston	Kingston
Feb. 19	Armando Barboza Nellie Janet Youngman	Kingston Plymouth	Plymouth
Mar. 4	George James Tura Vera G. Cross	Kingston Marlborough	Marlborough
Apr. 18	John Lewis Thompson Cecile Maria Lemaire	Kingston New Haven, Conn.	Kingston
Apr. 23	Julian Scott Bradford Nina May Pierce	Kingston Duxbury	Duxbury
Apr. 30	Laurence Harrub Stiles Melvina Mary Emond	Kingston Plymouth	Plymouth
May 11	Joseph Henry Benca Isabel Carmen Cravinho	Kingston Plymouth	Plymouth
May 14	Denis George Ingham Dorothy Elizabeth Calkin	London, Eng. Kingston	Kingston
May 27	Paul Frederick McDaniel Margaret Allen Tavey	Puyallup, Wash. Kingston	Kingston
May 30	Clarence Elmer Stevens Olga Maria Lahteine	Barnstable Barnstable	Kingston
May 30	Benjamin Palmer Wood Lovell Blanche Victoria Borghi	Kingston Plymouth	Plymouth
June 17	Alfred Funk Lillian F. Barlow	Preston, Nev. Plymouth	Kingston
June 18	Frederick Joseph Wareham, Jr. Elizabeth Patrice Dowd	Kingston Plymouth	Plymouth
June 25	Leonello Morisi Dorothy Jane Sears	Kingston Plymouth	Plymouth
June 27	Louis Arthur Gaillardet Emma Clara Vincent (Dickmeier)	Hanson Hanson	Kingston
June 30	John W. Maderos Lydia Jesse	Plymouth Plymouth	Kingston

Date	Names	Residence	Married at
July 1	Arnold Taber Sherwood Helen Gertrude Gustavson	Kingston Carver	Kingston
July 2	Ernest George Forcier Dorothy Mildred Walsh	Kingston Kingston	Kingston
July 5	James Raymond Goonan, Jr. Hilda Kathryn Seigel	Rochester, N. Y. Kingston	Kingston
July 6	John W. Barboza Jeannette Ann Silva	West Wareham Kingston	Kingston
July 16	Remo Joseph Lodi Ella Rose Peck	Plymouth Kingston	Plymouth
July 22	John Patrick Harkins Mildred Mary Govoni	Kingston Plymouth	Plymouth
July 26	Edward Francis Wardock Frances Mae Richards (MacDonnell)	Kingston Kingston	Kingston
Aug. 15	George Joseph Walter Laverne Therse Olson	Kingston Whitman	Rockland
Aug. 18	Richard Italo Facchini Dolores Frances Diekerman	Kingston Plymouth	Kingston
Sept. 21	Louis Sassi Ermelinda Castori	Kingston Lynn	Lynn
Sept. 27	Edward Francis Malone Rita Mary Lussier	Kingston Kingston	Kingston
Oct. 22	Melvin Earl Anderson Abrota Bryant Pratt	E. Bridgewater W. Bridgewater	Kingston
Nov. 3	Edward A. Galletti Bernice E. Rovatti	Kingston Kingston	Plymouth
Nov. 11	John J. Sarvia Ahmorinda M. Cazale	Taunton Kingston	Kingston
Nov. 12	Leslie J. Post Dorothy M. Jamros (Monahan)	Kingston Randolph	Randolph
Nov. 16	Floyd Jacob Barkman Bethel Elaine Bolton	Dalton, Ohio Kingston	Plymouth
Nov. 19	Gilbert E. Tavares Alice A. Galletti	Plymouth Kingston	Plymouth
Nov. 28	Frederick William Bailey Leonide Frances Prouty	Kingston Kingston	Plymouth
Dec. 9	Homer Sanford Tilton Jennie Rasori (DeTrani)	Kingston Kingston	Kingston

Date	Names	Residence	Married at
Dec. 9	Frank C. Anderson Elizabeth A. Taddia	Kingston Kingston	Kingston
Dec. 10	Angelo Edmund Bussolari Rita Arlene Robare	Somerville Kingston	Kingston
Dec. 31	Henry Caesar Garuti Helen Reed Bailey	Kingston Kingston	Plymouth

CORRECTION OF A MARRIAGE FOR 1933

Date	Names	Residence	
1933			
Sept. 16	Merton Ellsworth Seaver Helen Elizabeth Tangle	Kingston Kingston	Kingston

DEATHS RECORDED IN KINGSTON FOR THE YEAR 1944

Date	Name	Age	Cause of Death	Parents' Names
Jan. 2	Harvey S. Maxwell	52	—	John Maxwell and Mary Cross
Jan. 3	Mary K. Dries	83	Chronic Myocardial	

DEATHS RECORDED IN KINGSTON FOR THE YEAR 1944 — Continued

June 22	John Kelley	4	4	21	Pansinusitis and Ophthalmitis	John Kelley and Justine Williams
July 1	Jennie S. Robbins	73	7	14	Carcinoma of Liver	Joseph S. Robbins and Lucy M. Faxton
July 8	Henry H. Sampson	81	4	15	Arteriosclerosis	Azel H. Sampson and Julia H. Hunt
July 17	Dante Fogliani	55	11	4	Carcinoma of Stomach	Pompeo Fogliani and ——— Casteldini
July 19	Arthur W. Pierce	81	7	21	Chronic Myocarditis	James B. Pierce and Martha F. Barker
July 21	Angelina F. Ruffini	68	6	4	Carcinoma of Stomach	Gaetano Balboni and Pauline Salani
Aug. 19	Mary L. Chandler	59	8	11	Carcinoma of Stomach	Ruel W. Dunbar and Mary A. Lathrop
Sept. 2	Walter W. Richter	1	1	11	Tuberculous Meningitis	Walter Richter and Margaret Barry
Sept. 23	Flora Agnes Stowell	74	—	—	Intestinal Obstruction	Orrin Merrill and Sarah Barnsby
Sept. 28	Ottillie Siebenschu	62	6	6	Carcinoma of Esophagus	Christian Sauer and Fredericka Stiller
Oct. 1	Elia W. Merrill	71	11	17	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease	Solomon Davie and Eliza W. Washburn
Oct. 4	William M. Thomas	71	1	9	Chronic Myocardial Insuf- ficiency	William R. Thomas and Olive W. Faunce
Oct. 13	Alice A. Ward	77	2	20	Cardiac Failure	William A. Abbott and Catherine Davies
Oct. 25	Caleb Winthrop Whiting	75	7	24	Chronic Myocardial Insuf- ficiency	Jared Whiting and Emma Mange
Oct. 26	Per Johan Hagman	61	4	12	Cerebral Hemorrhage	Per Johan Hagman and Hanna Horman
Nov. 2	Louis Ottani	73	3	25	Pulmonary Edema	Laurence Ottani and Adelaide Borghamastro
Nov. 4	William H. Cann	40	6	1	Cerebral Hemorrhage	Henry Cann and Ada Johnson
Dec. 6	Nellie F. Lovell	74	6	10	Coronary Occlusion	Joseph Williams and Helen Kittrell
Dec. 14	Rebecca Blank	96	—	—	Bronchopneumonia	——— Walton and Maria Brewin
Dec. 18	Iehabod Frank Wood	81	2	13	Arteriosclerotic Heart Disease	Iehabod Wood and Mercy Perry

CORRECTION OF A DEATH FOR 1943

Date 1943	Name	Age Y. M. D.	Cause of Death	Parents' Names
Oct. 24	Carrie E. Smith	89 5 —	Cerebral Hemorrhage	Courtland F. Lukens and Helen M. Jackson
				GEORGE W. CUSHMAN, Town Clerk.

Name
Alberghini, Ettore
Bailey, Fred L.
Bailey, Lawrence W.
Bolton, James N.
Brookings, Eugene S.
Cadwell, William E.
Colley, Orrin G.
DeMarzio, William
Garuti, Primo S.
Giammarco, Angelo A.
Giles, Parker A.
Harnish, Harold F.
Holmes, Roger A.
Joyce, Marshall W.
Loring, Russell C.
MacKenzie, William R.
McManus, Francis P.
Maglachlin, Philemon G.
Marvelli, Louis J.
Powers, William P.
Sierman, Louis N.
Stephan, Nicholas D.
Streeter, Merton D.
Thomas, Norman E.
Tobin, Paul E.
Warnman, Edward C.
(Jr.)
West, John B.
Wilson, Harry W., Jr.
Woodward, Maurice L.
Youngman, J. LeRoy
Zahn, Howard I.

LIST OF JURORS, 1944

Name	Age	Employment	Address
Alberghini, Ettore	57	Weaver	106 Summer Street
Bailey, Fred L.	66	Cranberry Grower	Brewster Road
Bailey, Lawrence W.	33	Asst. Production Mgr.	Brewster Road
Bolton, James N.	43	Dairyman	Off Maple Street
Brookings, Eugene S.	34	Grain Salesman	Wapping Road
Cadwell, William E.	30	Defense Worker	Summer Street
Colley, Orrin G.	33	Cranberry Merchant	17 Evergreen Street
DiMarzio, William	35	Lawyer	Kennedy Road
Garuti, Primo S.	47	Carpenter	38 Landing Road
Giammarco, Angelo A.	27	Mill Worker	275 Main Street
Glass, Parker A.	37	Secretary	Main Street
Harnish, Harold F.	43	Defense Worker	Pembroke Street
Holmes, Roger A.	21	Cordage Employee	238 Main Street
Joyce, Marshall W.	31	Commercial Artist	River Road
Loring, Russell C.	40	Bog Manager	64 Evergreen Street
MacKenzie, William R.	30	Truck Driver	West Street
McManus, Francis P.	37	Assessor	175 Main Street
Maglathlin, Philemon G.	33	Tackmaker	Off Evergreen Street
Marvelli, Louis J.	31	Asst. Fixer	Pembroke Street
Powers, William P.	45	Cordage Employee	Off Main Street
Sherman, Louis N.	47	Cordage Employee	Main Street
Stephan, Nicholas D.	52	Cordage Employee	Main Street
Streeter, Merton D.	49	Farmer	Wapping Road
Thomas, Norman E.	33	Insurance Agent	Prospect Street
Tobin, Paul E.	39	Mill Worker	Brook Street
Warnsman, Edward C. (Jr.)	32	Postal Employee	100 Summer Street
West, John B.	34	Defense Worker	98 Summer Street
Wilson, Harry W., Jr.	21	Typewriter Service Man	Pembroke Street
Woodward, Maurice L.	41	Bus Driver	19 Summer Street
Youngman, J. LeRoy	35	Machinist	Pembroke Street
Zahn, Howard I.	30	Store Manager	85 Summer Street

REPORT OF SELECTMEN

In making this report (the third under war conditions) your Selectmen feel that they must first give suitable recognition to those, who have by their cooperation and willingness to work far beyond their actual duties, and without compensation, made it possible to more efficiently carry on.

Outstanding among these are:

G. Palmer Holmes	Roger A. Holmes
Fred L. Bailey	Kai Mortensen
Abel L. Keene	Mendall S. Thompson
Oscar Pelletier	

The work of Civilian Defense, under Albert H. Holmes, and the very important work of our local War Price and Rationing Board certainly deserve our thanks and the thanks of our townspeople. The local State Guard Group under Capt. Charles W. Lawrence has on several occasions been of very great help.

Gray's Beach Park was used a great deal during the summer by our own townspeople and by many outsiders. The swimming facilities should be improved. One of our post-war projects may well be the building of some kind of a bath-house, installation of amusements for the children, such as swings, etc., and general improvement of the grounds. Mr. Emil Sauer has been part-time caretaker at the beach and it is interesting to note that he counted during his time there 4,800 bathers and 1,460 cars.

Late in the year Michael H. McGrath found it necessary to resign his position as janitor of the Town House. Mr. McGrath had faithfully served the town in that capacity for about sixteen years. It was with sincere regret that your Selectmen accepted his resignation. Mr. Emil Sauer was appointed janitor in Mr. McGrath's place.

The Town House is in need of paint, both inside and out. It is also necessary to make some roof repairs. The roof work will have to be done in 1945. We feel that inasmuch as the town

is being asked to make some rather heavy expenditures during the coming year, our painting program will have to wait.

Under the vote of the town at our last annual meeting a new two-way radio was purchased for the police car. Difficulties, due entirely to war conditions, have made its installation, up to this time, impossible. We have been assured, however, that it will be ready for use in the very near future.

Due to conditions beyond our control the drainage project on Main Street between Green and Summer Streets was not started. The appropriation has again been carried over and the work will be done as soon as it is possible.

WILLIAM M. POST, Chairman
JOHN J. MOORE,
PERCY W. BAILEY,

Board of Selectmen.

REPORT OF POLICE DEPARTMENT

Honorable Board of Selectmen
Kingston, Massachusetts
Gentlemen:

The report of the Police Department is herewith respectfully submitted. This report is from January 1, 1944 to December 31, 1944.

LIST OF OFFENCES

Drunkenness	6
Driving a Motor Vehicle while Intoxicated	2
Driving a Motor Vehicle to Endanger Life	3
Driving a Motor Vehicle Not Being Licensed	2
Other Motor Vehicle Laws Violated	12

Total 55

Motor Vehicle Operators Booked and Warned	73
Motor Vehicle Operator's Licenses Suspended on Complaint of Police	5
Licenses for the Sale of Liquor Suspended on Complaint of Police	2

DISPOSITION OF CASES

Amount in Fines Imposed	\$420.00
Amount Returned to Town	\$135.00
Dismissed on Request of Complainant	4
Placed on File	1
Released	1
Not Guilty	2
Suspended Sentence to the House of Correction	1

MISCELLANEOUS

Automobiles Tagged for Violation of Town Traffic Laws	12
Complaints Investigated	196
Motor Vehicle Accidents Investigated	16

Notices of Intended Sale or Transfer of Motor Vehicles Issued	38
Pistol Permits Issued	17
Summonses Served for Out of Town Police	8
Stray Dogs Destroyed	13
Use of Police Ambulance	33
Vacant Cottages Inspected	250

The new two-way radio is now installed in the police car. To contact an officer, when it is impossible to get one at his home, or at the Town House, call Plymouth 132 and ask that your message be given to the Kingston Police.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. BROWN,

Chief of Police.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS AND
INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

January 4, 1945

Honorable Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

During the past year 66 shipments of cattle, consisting of 645 cows, and 8 bulls, arrived from Vermont, New Hampshire and Canada. These animals were properly inspected and reported to the State Director of Livestock Disease Control.

There was no slaughtering activity in Kingston during 1944.

Seven Dogs were quarantined on suspicion of having Rabies, but were promptly released after the usual fourteen day period.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES J. DRURY.

Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering.

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Due to the unprecedented dry weather during a greater part of 1944, the Kingston Forest Fire Department had a record number of calls, three of which were of such proportions that it was necessary to call in outside aid. One of these fires took four days of patrolling before it was declared completely extinguished.

In all, 115 calls were attended. Twenty of the fires were set by the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad, the town being reimbursed \$2,186.02 to defray labor costs in extinguishing these railroad set fires. We were also called to assist Plymouth four times, Duxbury three times, as well as calls to Plympton, Halifax, Pembroke and Freetown.

After such a busy season our equipment is practically all worn out, and it is quite essential that a new piece of apparatus be purchased this coming season to take care of what appears to be another bad forest fire year, so much of our timber having been blown down by the hurricane.

In closing, I want to thank all who so willingly helped our department when we needed help the most, especially the Junior Group, the local Canteen of the Red Cross, the State Guard, and the State Department of Conservation, under District Warden Harold Ballard.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE P. HOLMES,

Forest Fire Warden.

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

For the 1944 work of this Department \$125.00 was appropriated and \$50.00 was transferred from reserve in December. Of this amount \$135.90 has been expended as follows:

Superintendent	\$31.50
Labor	104.40
Total	\$135.90

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. RANDALL,

Tree Warden.

REPORT OF SHELLFISH CONSTABLES

In making this report I want to again emphasize the fact that shellfish digging will be a means of livelihood for a good number of men in the immediate post-war period. For this reason, no relaxation of the present digging regulations should be allowed.

The figures given this year are again estimates, with the exception of the number of permits issued and the receipts of the Town.

Commercial digging, 157 bushels at 4.00 per bushel	\$628.00
Family digging, 271 bushels at \$4.00 per bushel	1,084.00
Taken from grants, 25 bushels at \$4.00 per bushel	100.00
Seaworms taken, 24,000 at .04c each	960.00
Total value of take	\$2,772.00

Commercial diggers permits issued, 5 at \$5.00	\$25.00
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Family diggers permits issued—271

Respectfully submitted,

COLICE C. TISON,

Shellfish Constable.

ALEWIFE COMMITTEE REPORT

The annual report of the Fish Committee is hereby submitted for the year 1944.

The alewife rights were not sold in either Jones River or Smelt Brook.

There was carted about 5000 alewives from Smelt Brook to Smelt Pond and a great many went up the fish ways to Sylvia Place and Russell Pond.

As soon as possible, Mr. Barnes of the State Dept. of Conservation is to make a survey of the possibility of getting fish into Black Water Pond and also into Crossing Pond.

There seems to be a great number of smelt coming with the alewives and as they spawn in running water, below the pumping station dam the river is closed to trout fishermen by the State Department of Conservation.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL C. BONNEY, Chairman
ARTHUR B. HOLMES.
WALTER R. DAVIS,
ALBERT W. DOUGLAS,
FRANK H. SHAW,

Kingston Fish Committee.

REPORT OF WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Conditions in this Department have shown few changes since 1941, when the increase in employment demands took up any slack which existed among employables.

As of December 31, 1944 aid was being extended to the following cases.

Physically unfit	3
Low mentality	3
Aged (not eligible for O. A. A.)	5

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. MOORE, Chairman
WILLIAM M. POST,
PERCY W. BAILEY,

Board of Public Welfare.

REPORT OF BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Active cases January 1, 1944	61
Cases opened during the year	13
Cases closed during the year	12
Active cases December 31, 1944	62
Expended 1943	\$31,153.06
Expended 1944	\$29,235.16

The number of persons receiving this kind of assistance did not vary greatly during the year. Nevertheless the per case share of expenses, borne by the State and Town, increased considerably. This increase resulted from a step-up in the budget schedule furnished by the State Welfare Department.

As the Federal Government does not participate in any case beyond the set figure of \$40.00 per month, all of this excess expense is necessarily the combined obligation of the State and the Town.

We may look for added increases in this category, inasmuch as several bills have been introduced in the 1945 legislature for further liberalizing the laws pertaining to aid to the aged.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. MOORE, Chairman
WILLIAM M. POST,
PERCY W. BAILEY.

REPORT OF AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Active cases January 1, 1944	4
Cases opened during the year	0
Cases closed during the year	0
Active cases December 31, 1944	4
Expended 1943	\$2,438.00
Expended 1944	\$2,149.95
Average monthly rate per family	\$44.79

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. MOORE, Chairman
WILLIAM M. POST,
PERCY W. BAILEY.

REPORT OF HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

During 1944 the Chapter 90 program constituted the major part of the construction work accomplished on our roads for the year. Under this program we sealed 4,000 feet on Pembroke Street with asphalt and stone, applied a two inch tar mixed in place surface to 2,500 feet of road on Wapping Road, and applied a two inch asphalt mixed in place surface on a portion of Elm Street, 2,500 feet in length.

In the main, most of our efforts were centered on holding our existing roads in passable and safe condition by continued patching, which must be kept up until such time as labor and materials are more available than they have been the last two years.

The hurricane in September caused considerable damage to highway shade trees, and necessitated a substantial outlay by the Highway Department in order to clean up the debris. The Fire Department and State Guard lent valuable assistance the night of the hurricane. Without their aid it would have taken a much longer time to open all the highways for travel.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE P. HOLMES.

Superintendent of Streets.

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

There were very few contagious cases reported to us in 1944. We had a few cases of scarlet fever reported in January and February. In the fall there were a number of cases of whooping cough in town, but only four cases were reported officially. May we remind you it is the duty of parents to report contagious cases if there is no doctor called on the case.

After our March meeting the directors of the Jordan Hospital informed us that inasmuch as they could not guarantee us service in their contagious ward, due to the shortage of nurses, they felt they should not accept our \$750.00 which was appropriated for the use of a free bed in the contagious ward. We are therefore closing out this account. We hope that when things become normal again the town will follow its usual routine.

During the year we had one case of tuberculosis confined for the year at Plymouth County Hospital, with two other cases there for short periods. We also sent a number of cases there for X-ray and physical examinations.

We would like to ask you to cooperate in the future, as you have in the past, by disposing of your rubbish in our Town Dump which is open every Wednesday and Saturday from 8:00 A. M. to 5:00 P. M.

Please do not put any garbage in our dump. Please dispose of your garbage by either burying it, burning it, or having it collected by a licensed garbage collector. By doing this you will keep our town clean, sanitary, and free from rats, and thereby reduce diseases and ill health.

Respectfully submitted,

PERCY W. BAILEY, Chairman
JOHN J. MOORE,
WILLIAM M. POST,

Kingston Board of Health.

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Due to the necessity of conserving space this report will be brief.

Our greatest anxiety continues to man power due to many of the Company members working out of town during the day, but "some way—some how" thus far enough men have responded to quickly take care of all calls.

From the Record:

Responded to the Following Fire Calls

Buildings	16
Chimney	22
Autos	4
Out of Town:	
To Duxbury	2
To Plympton	2

Several of these had the makings of serious fires, but by quick work none of them caused more than minor damage.

We are frequently told by people who move about in Fire Department circles that for a town the size of Kingston we now have a well equipped and efficient Company.

The caretaker, Mr. Pelletier, has his home at the station and will be pleased to show you about and explain the equipment.

We are convinced the Selectmen made a very wise move when they arranged to place the duties of the Forest Fire Warden and the Fire Department Chief under the same person and to house the equipment of both departments under the same roof. This is a very economical and efficient arrangement as we have observed their operation.

Respectfully submitted,

MYRON S. HOLMAN,
ALBERT H. HOLMES,
G. PALMER HOLMES,
EMIL SAUER,
EDGAR W. LORING, Chairman
Board of Fire Engineers.

ASSESSORS' REPORT

1944

1944 Tax Rate, \$25.00 per thousand

Valuation of Real Estate as of January 1, 1944	\$4,286,450.00
Valuation of Personal Property as of January 1, 1944	291,350.00

Total valuation as of January 1, 1944	\$4,577,800.00
Increase in valuation over January 1, 1943	\$41,250.00

APPROPRIATIONS AND ASSESSMENTS

Town Appropriations:	
March 1944	\$177,784.63
	<hr/> \$177,784.63

State Assessments:	
State Tax	\$8,954.00
State Parks	145.15
State Audit	411.83
	<hr/> 9,510.98

County Assessments:	
County Tax	\$7,709.07
(1943) Under estimate	272.47
County Hospital	2,791.02
	<hr/> 10,772.56

Additional Amounts to Be Raised:	
Maturing Debt	\$7,000.00
Interest on maturing and	
Public Service Loans	240.00
Overlay for 1944	2,949.10
	<hr/> 10,189.10

Total of All Appropriations and Assessments	\$208,257.27
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Total deductions (estimated receipts and authorized transfers)	91,744.27
Total to be raised by local taxation	\$116,513.00
Raised as follows:	
Real Estate (\$4,286,450.00 at \$25.00 per thousand)	\$107,161.25
Personal Property (\$291,350.00 at \$25.00 per thousand)	7,283.75
Poll Tax (1,034 at \$2.00 each)	2,068.00
Total raised by Local Taxation	\$116,513.00

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS P. McMANUS, Chairman
JOHN T. RANDALL,
HENRY L. BARKER,

Board of Assessors.

WATER DEPARTMENT — 1944

To the Citizens of the Town of Kingston:

Your water department during the year saw many changes in personnel. At the first meeting following the annual election of officers, the Board of Water Commissioners elected Lincoln C. Bartlett, Chairman; appointed George W. Cushman, Clerk; Wilfred J. St. Amant, Superintendent; and Paul Verdelli, acting Assistant Superintendent.

On June 15, 1944, we accepted with regret, the resignation of Mr. Wilfred J. St. Amant, who had served the water department for nineteen years. Mr. Lincoln C. Bartlett was appointed Superintendent. Due to this appointment, it was necessary for him to resign as Water Commissioner. Samuel C. Bonney was elected to fill this vacancy at a joint meeting with the Selectmen. On September 7, 1944, we accepted Mr. Bonney's resignation. Mr. Frank A. Sampson was elected to fill this vacancy at a joint meeting with the Selectmen, after which Mr. Santoro was elected chairman.

We are pleased to report that at the end of the departmental year, the financial status of the Water Department is excellent. We still continued to collect all our accounts before the end of the year. The summary of the Commitments, Collections and Abatements is as follows:

Balance, January 1, 1944	None	
Commitments during 1944	\$15,981.77	
Abatements and payments refunded	7.00	
		\$15,988.77
Amount Collected	\$15,820.80	
Abatements	167.97	
Outstanding December 31, 1944	None	
		\$15,988.77

In accordance with a vote made at the Annual Town Meeting, March, 1944, we extended the water main 1,654 feet on Grove Street.

The \$3,300 appropriated for replacing the water main on Summer Street was found to be insufficient to do this work, due to the fact that the Department of Public Works requires us to replace the sidewalk to its original condition. Therefore, we are asking the voters to transfer the unexpended balance in the Grove Street appropriation to the Summer Street appropriation. We are hoping to do the Summer Street and Evergreen Street projects just as soon as weather permits.

Due to the extreme drought experienced last summer, our water supply and water storage was very low, which created an extreme fire hazard, and made it necessary to curtail the use of the hoses. This experience prompted your Water Commissioners to make a complete study of revamping the present system by increasing water supply and pumping facilities, larger mains, new reservoir to replace present Kingston reservoir, extension of mains by petitions. This would cost in excess of \$250,000.

The Selectmen have received several petitions for the extension of water mains, which will all be placed in the warrant for your action this year. The Water Commissioners realize that it will be years before everything can be done, but feel that a start should be made this year. Therefore, we are inserting an article in the warrant for a sum of money, to be raised by loan or otherwise, for the purpose of obtaining additional water supply, and laying approximately 21,000 feet of pipe.

The water tank on Smith's Lane was painted at a cost of \$590.00.

The fixtures have not been inspected for several years; therefore, we have included an item in the Regular 1945 Maintenance budget to do this work.

The amount of water pumped into the system during the year 1944 was 90,943,017.8 gallons.

Total number of services repaired during 1944	25
Total number of new services during the year	3
Total number of services at end of year	1,040

We wish to express our appreciation for the splendid cooperation received from the several officials of the town.

RALPH F. SANTORO, Chairman
FRANK A. SAMPSON,
HENRY J. WALSH,
Kingston Water Commissioners.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF MOTH WORK

For this Department's work for 1944, the sum of \$1,300.00 was appropriated and of this, \$886.59 was expended as follows:

Superintendent	\$227.18
Labor	217.98
Truck Hire	146.00
Equipment	4.75
Insecticides	262.21
Gas and Oil	28.47
Total	\$886.59

Yours respectfully,

JOHN T. RANDALL,
Superintendent.

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR 1944

Receipts

Balance, January 1, 1944	\$70,234.32
Receipts	218,000.95
Total	<u>\$288,235.27</u>

Disbursements

Payments	\$207,195.58
Balance, December 31, 1944	81,039.69
Total	<u>\$288,235.27</u>

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE W. CUSHMAN,

Town Treasurer.

FREDERIC C. ADAMS PUBLIC LIBRARY

TREASURER'S REPORT

Income of Frederic C. Adams Fund

January 1, 1944, balance on hand	\$8,279.24
Income for the year	639.56
	<u>\$8,918.80</u>

Paid for:

Books, magazines, etc.	\$610.80
Repairs	113.46
Service charge	3.52
Balance on hand	8,191.02
	<u>\$8,918.80</u>

The Frederic C. Adams Fund stands invested as follows:

- 2 shares American Telephone & Telegraph Co.
- 6 shares Boston Elevated Railway Co.
- 28 shares Plymouth Cordage Co.
- 44 shares Plymouth National Bank.
- 2 shares Certificate of Participation, Plymouth National Bank, Trustee.
- \$500.00 Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Co., 4% bond due 1935.
- \$1,000.00 Rio Grande Western Railway Co., 4% bond due 1939.
- \$1,000.00 on deposit in the New Bedford Five Cents Savings Bank.
- \$364.60 on deposit in the Plymouth Five Cents Savings Bank.
- \$2,121.61 on deposit in the South Scituate Savings Bank.
- \$2,000.00 on deposit in the Whitman Savings Bank.

Income of Byron C. Quinby Fund

January 1, 1944, balance on hand	\$133.15	
Income for the year	12.72	
	<hr/>	\$145.87
Balance on hand	\$145.87	
	<hr/>	\$145.87

The principal of this fund, \$500.00 and accrued interest, \$145.87 is on deposit in the Plymouth Savings Bank.

Income of the Rosa A. Cole Fund

January 1, 1944, balance on hand	\$168.85	
Income for the year	100.48	
	<hr/>	\$269.33
Paid for:		
Supplies	\$49.74	
Premium on Treasurer's bond	25.00	
Rent of safe	5.00	
Balance on hand	189.59	
	<hr/>	\$269.33

The Rosa A. Cole Fund stands invested as follows:
 \$1,241.05 on deposit in the Bridgewater Savings Bank.
 \$1,973.75 on deposit in the Plymouth Five Cents Savings Bank.
 \$1,785.20 on deposit in the Rockland Savings Bank.

Income of Annie C. Thomas Fund

January 1, 1944, balance on hand	\$38.52	
Income for the year	25.00	
	<hr/>	\$63.52
Paid for:		
Treasurer's salary and expenses	\$25.00	
Balance on hand	38.52	
	<hr/>	\$63.52

The principal of this fund \$1,000.00 is on deposit in the Fairhaven Institution for Savings.

Book Fines

During the year 1944, fines to the amount of \$164.07 were collected by the librarian, and paid to the Town Treasurer.

Town Appropriation

Expenditures from the Town Appropriation will be found in the report of the Town Accountant.
 December 31, 1944.

HENRY L. BARKER,
 Treasurer.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

To the Trustees of the Frederic C. Adams Public Library:

The annual report of the Librarian for the year 1944 is herewith presented. The past year represents a period of increased circulation, new registrations, and general use of the library. Although many of our young people of the town are in the armed forces, the use of the library has steadily increased.

Through the Inter-State Library Loan, the Librarian has been able to secure various books of non-fiction from the libraries of the Division of Public Libraries, Greenfield, Newton, Plymouth and the Boston Public Library.

Beginning in January and continuing through February, the library was closed two days a week and through March and April one day a week in order to conserve fuel and electricity.

Book deposits have been placed in the elementary grades and this source of books provides an ever growing interest for the young people.

Statistical Report for 1944:

Number of books in the Library	11,768
Added past year, 353, 10 of which were gifts	
Discarded, old and wornout books	30
Magazines, weeklies and dailies	41
Total attendance in reading room	2,183
Total circulation	17,277
Adult non-fiction circulation	4,537
Juvenile circulation (at the Library)	3,360
Circulation per capita	6
Total registration	1,815
New borrowers, 1944	121

December 31, 1944.

Respectfully submitted,

JANET CRONIN GIAMMARCO,
Librarian.

NEWELL O. BLANCHARD,
FRANK A. RANDALL,
HARVEY A. SOULE,
JOHN E. WRIGHT,
CARL W. STEGMAIER,
HENRY L. BARKER,
Trustees.

REPORT OF PLAYGROUND COMMISSION

During the past year, both the Playground and the Community Building have been used for many school and public activities.

The emergency organizations have had the use of the building as usual. These organizations include the Red Cross Blood Donors, Surgical Dressing Classes, State Guard, and the Emergency Hospital for local defense.

As usual, the Girl and Boy Scout activities were conducted. There has been much baseball, football and basketball played this year. With special emphasis being placed upon physical fitness, throughout the country, we feel that this is an ideal place for our youth to get these activities.

The rentals for the Community Building for 1945 will be the same as last year.

Whole Building	\$25.00
Basement with kitchen	15.00
Basement without kitchen	8.00
Auditorium	15.00
Side room—afternoons	2.00
Side room—evenings	3.00
Rehearsals	3.00

Respectfully submitted,

FRED L. BAILEY, Chairman
GEORGE A. CANDINI, Jr., Sec'y
ANTONE J. SPATH,
LESTER F. ZAHN*
GEORGE J. TURA.

* In the Armed Forces.

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Kingston, Mass., January 29th, 1945

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen
Town of Kingston, Massachusetts
Gentlemen:

I submit herewith a report of the financial transactions of
the Town for the year ending December 31st, 1944.

IRMA A. RUFFINI,
Town Accountant.

Receipts

GENERAL REVENUE

TAXES—Current Year:

Poll	\$1,514.00
Personal	7,107.75
Real	95,838.33
	<u>\$104,460.58</u>

TOTAL TAXES—Current Year \$104,460.58

Dog Licenses 710.00

TAXES—Previous Years:

Personal	\$409.84
Real	11,601.51
Tax Title Redemption	796.51
Sale of Tax Possession Property	357.00
	<u>\$13,164.86</u>

Total Taxes Previous Years \$13,164.86

Total Taxes and Dog Licenses \$118,336.04

FROM STATE:

Corporation Tax	\$11,514.17
Income Tax	15,988.00
	<u>\$27,502.17</u>

LICENSES AND FINES:

Licenses—Peddlers	\$56.00
Court Fines	138.00
	<u>\$194.00</u>

GRANTS AND GIFTS:

Dog Licenses Returned by County	\$495.16
Refund of Gas Tax	10.74
Reimbursement for Loss of Taxes	20.91
Meal Tax	335.08
Old Age	355.98
Distribution of Highway Fund	6,286.19
Flag Fund	151.31
	<u>\$7,655.40</u>
	<u>\$35,351.57</u>

TOTAL GENERAL REVENUE \$153,687.61

COMMERCIAL REVENUE

DEPARTMENTAL

PRIVILEGES:

Motor Vehicle Excise, 1944	\$3,328.43
Motor Vehicle Excise, 1943	35.45
	<u>\$3,363.88</u>
Total Privileges	<u>\$3,363.88</u>

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Rent—Rocky Nook Hose House	\$24.00
Rent—Patuxet School	12.00
Advt. Notice of Application for Liquor Licenses	38.25
Telephone Tolls	17.94
Reimbursement for Damages	29.00
	<u>\$121.19</u>

LICENSES AND PERMITS:

Alcoholic	\$2,562.00	
Common Victualer	4.00	
Lord's Day	8.00	
Shellfish Permits	25.00	
Granted Areas	80.00	
Junk Collector	10.00	
Motor Vehicle Licenses	20.00	
		<u>\$2,709.00</u>

COLLECTOR:

Poll Tax Demands	\$26.00	
Tax Title Deeds and Releases	24.00	
Municipal Lien	2.00	
Sale of Office Supplies	1.73	
Advertising Costs	13.80	
		<u>\$69.23</u>

TOWN CLERK:

Sale of Maps	\$3.59	
Registration of Dealer in Oleomargarine	1.00	
Certificate of Registration	3.00	
		<u>\$7.59</u>

TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT

\$2,967.91

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Reimbursement for Dog Officer	\$56.00	
Licenses to Carry Revolver	9.50	
Sealer's Fees	61.31	
Return of Insurance Premiums	108.96	
Bounties on Seals	11.00	
Extinguishing Forest Fires	2,186.02	
Moths	11.52	
		<u>\$2,444.34</u>

TOTAL PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

\$2,444.34

HEALTH

Fee for Pasteurization License	\$10.00	
Fee for Milk Dealer License	8.00	
Recreational Camp License	1.00	

Auto and Trailer Camp Park License	2.00	
Transient Vendor's License	10.00	
		<u>\$31.00</u>

TOTAL HEALTH

\$31.00

HIGHWAYS

Rental of Road Machinery	\$561.75	
Offset of Outlay—Chap. 90	4,560.00	
		<u>\$5,121.75</u>

TOTAL HIGHWAYS

\$5,121.75

CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS.

REIMBURSEMENTS AND GRANTS:

From Towns	\$593.07	
From State	198.72	
Transportation from State	8.40	
		<u>\$800.19</u>

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN:

From State	\$454.73	
From Federal Grant—Assistance	927.50	
From Federal Grant—Administration	58.35	
		<u>\$1,440.58</u>

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE:

From State	\$11,051.00	
From Towns	500.37	
From Federal Grant—Assistance	12,022.63	
From Federal Grant—Administration	416.15	
		<u>\$23,990.15</u>

TOTAL CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

\$26,230.92

SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

SCHOOLS:

Tuition and Transportation from State	\$606.00	
Tuition, from Boston	95.37	
Tuition, from Individual	36.21	

Books Lost	11.80	
Sale of Loan	5.00	
Sale of Junk	12.50	
Reimbursement on School Tickets	4.80	
	<u>771.68</u>	
LIBRARY:		
Book Fines	\$101.07	
	<u>101.07</u>	
TOTAL SCHOOLS AND LIBRARY		\$935.75

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

RECREATION:		
Rentals—Playground	\$130.00	
	<u>130.00</u>	
TOTAL RECREATION		\$130.00

ENTERPRISES

WATER DEPARTMENT:		
Water Rates	\$15,831.80	
	<u>15,831.80</u>	
ALEWIFE COMMITTEE:		
Carting Alewives	\$20.00	
	<u>20.00</u>	
TOTAL ENTERPRISES		\$15,851.80

INTEREST AND MATURING DEBT

INTEREST:		
On Taxes	\$476.59	
On Tax Title Redemption	120.43	
On Trust Funds	726.51	
	<u>1,323.53</u>	
TOTAL INTEREST		\$1,223.53

Withholding Tax	\$5,905.80	
	<u>5,905.80</u>	
		\$5,905.80

REFUNDS

Tax Title Foreclosures	\$13.25	
Fire Department—Maintenance	22.67	
Defense	1.50	
Public Welfare—General Relief	11.54	
O. A. A.—Aid	88.95	
O. A. A.—Federal Grant—Aid	20.35	
	<u>167.26</u>	
TOTAL REFUNDS		\$167.26
TOTAL COMMERCIAL REVENUE		\$64,313.31
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$218,000.95
CASH, JANUARY 1, 1944		\$70,231.32
		<u>288,235.27</u>

Payments

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Moderator	\$25.00	
		\$25.00

SELECTMEN:

Salaries	\$519.96	
Clerical	426.00	
Association Dues	9.00	
Subscription	5.00	
Advt. Liquor Licenses	29.25	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	16.38	
Supplies	19.96	
		\$1,055.55

ACCOUNTING:

Accountant	\$1,510.00	
Clerical	624.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	3.00	
Association Dues	10.00	
Travel Expense	1.50	
Supplies	15.07	
Typewriter and Adding Machine Repairs	33.50	
State Audit	411.83	
		\$2,638.90

TREASURER AND COLLECTOR:

Treasurer (Salary)	\$600.00	
Collector (Salary)	700.00	
Clerical	348.00	
Travel Expense	73.26	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	403.76	
Surety Bonds	207.75	
Supplies	187.22	
Typewriter Repairs	25.25	
Safe Deposit and Post Office Box	8.00	
Tax Title Costs	6.91	
Tax Title Foreclosures	18.75	
Burglary Insurance	27.60	

Advt. Delinquent Taxes	15.00	
Association Dues	2.00	
Book Binding	2.85	
		\$2,626.25

TOWN CLERK:

Salary	\$200.00	
Clerical	195.90	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	2.76	
Surety Bond	7.50	
Association Dues	3.00	
Supplies	41.30	
Recording Fees	145.00	
		\$595.46

ASSESSORS:

Salaries	\$1,500.00	
Clerical	36.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	18.72	
Travel Expense	49.88	
Supplies	60.16	
Adding Machine Maintenance	19.80	
Association Dues	6.00	
Listing Property Transfers	145.00	
Magazine Subscription	12.00	
		\$1,847.56

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION:

Registrars	\$212.40	
Election Officers	313.30	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	55.25	
Travel Expense	12.25	
Supplies	95.21	
Janitor Service	3.00	
		\$691.41

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Clerical	\$3.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	2.18	
Association Dues	10.00	
		\$15.18

TOWN HOUSE:

Janitor	\$626.80	
Janitor's Supplies	28.23	
Fuel	542.29	
Light	180.06	
Repairs	65.15	
Equipment	24.00	
Painting Tool House	32.81	
Lettering Door	5.00	
Telephone	440.53	
	<hr/>	\$1,050.87

TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT \$11,416.18

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

POLICE:

Chief	\$2,288.00	
Officers	1,524.50	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	22.60	
Typewriter Repairs	12.75	
Supplies	9.98	
Equipment	2.00	
Association Dues	5.00	
M. C. and Car Operation	495.03	
M. C. and Car Repairs	71.28	
Lock-up Fee	.50	
Uniforms	45.25	
	<hr/>	\$4,476.89

SHELLFISH:

Constables	\$260.00	
Supplies	8.95	
Repairs	1.40	
Gas, Oil, etc.	9.32	
Equipment	7.16	
	<hr/>	\$286.83
Harbor Master		\$3.43

FIRE:

Chief Engineer	\$132.00
Chief Engineer's Assistant	63.84

Steward	12.00	
Firemen	370.98	
Wages at Fires	692.00	
Caretaker	1,457.10	
Equipment	152.81	
Hose	110.20	
Gasoline and Oil	129.11	
Fire Truck Repairs	21.43	
Hydrant Service	16.25	
Fuel	392.65	
Light	241.37	
Rocky Nook Hose House Rent	7.50	
Repairs	127.33	
Supplies	138.29	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	4.50	
Telephone	139.40	
Association Dues	1.00	
Other Labor	43.75	
	<hr/>	\$4,553.91

SEALING WEIGHTS AND MEASURES:

Scaler	\$200.00	
Travel Expense	61.95	
Supplies	30.19	
	<hr/>	\$292.14

SUPPRESSION OF MOTHS:

Superintendent	\$227.15	
Labor	217.98	
Trucks	146.00	
Insecticides	262.71	
Gas, Oil, etc.	27.71	
Printing	4.75	
	<hr/>	\$886.30

TRIMMING SHADE TREES:

Warden	\$31.50	
Labor	104.40	
	<hr/>	\$135.90

FOREST FIRES:

Forest Warden	\$150.00
Fighting Fires	3,259.72

Repairs	386.54	
Supplies	61.08	
Gas and Oil	21.70	
Equipment	50.50	
		<u>\$3,949.63</u>

DEFENSE:

State Guard	\$8.30	
Tower Operation	19.55	
Civilian Defense	45.00	
Honor Roll	163.19	
		<u>\$236.04</u>

OTHER PROTECTION:

Dog Officer	\$52.00	
Bounties on Seals	11.00	
Insurance on Municipal Buildings and Property	1,682.61	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance	401.03	
		<u>\$2,146.64</u>

TOTAL PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY \$16,831.51

HEALTH AND SANITATION

HEALTH:

Salaries	\$220.00	
Postage	10.13	
Care of Dump	116.00	
Burning Dump	59.85	
Medicine and Medical Attendance	182.15	
Dental Clinic	225.25	
Diphtheria Clinic	43.00	
Plymouth County Hospital	150.00	
Supplies	9.21	
Removal of Dead Animals	1.00	
		<u>\$1,646.59</u>

INSPECTION:

Inspection of School Children:		
Physician	\$300.00	
Nurse	936.00	
Nurse, Travel Expense	100.00	
		<u>\$1,336.00</u>

Inspection of Animals	\$150.00	
Inspector of Slaughtering	50.00	
Mosquito Control Maintenance	300.00	
		<u>\$500.00</u>

TOTAL HEALTH AND SANITATION

\$3,482.89

HIGHWAYS

ADMINISTRATION:

Superintendent of Streets	\$2,002.00	
Clerical	260.00	
Typewriter Repairs	15.00	
		<u>\$2,277.00</u>

GENERAL:

Labor	\$3,624.58	
Lights	24.10	
Telephones	48.84	
Supplies	327.29	
Range Oil	34.85	
Equipment and Repairs	600.20	
Patch Material and Tar	208.75	
Truck Hire	26.00	
Crane Hire	176.49	
Mowing	73.50	
Labor on Roller Building	35.00	
		<u>\$5,179.60</u>

ROAD MACHINERY:

Gas, Oil, etc.	\$705.92	
Repairs	797.18	
Equipment	131.55	
Supplies	100.63	
M. V. Registration	4.00	
		<u>\$1,739.28</u>

TOTAL GENERAL HIGHWAY AND ROAD MACHINERY \$9,195.83

SPECIAL HIGHWAYS

CHAP. 90:

Labor	\$865.49	
Trucks	125.50	

Grader	457.37	
Roller	40.00	
Stone Spreader	32.01	
Stone	272.46	
Asphalt	853.40	
Gravel	717.00	
Tar	1,057.64	
Patch	14.73	
Pipe	63.15	
		\$4,498.78

SNOW REMOVAL:

Wages	\$1,109.95	
Plowing and Sanding	817.50	
Supplies	204.50	
Sand	374.91	
		\$2,536.86

OTHER HIGHWAY:

Street Lighting	\$2,656.67	
Street, Direction and Danger Signs	79.50	
		\$2,736.17

TOTAL SPECIAL HIGHWAYS \$9,771.51

TOTAL ALL HIGHWAYS \$18,967.59

CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' RELIEF

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION:

Salaries—Board	\$605.00	
Salary—Welfare Agent	416.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	10.13	
Association Dues	4.00	
Travel Expense	42.78	
Social Service Index	8.00	
Supplies	10.10	
		\$1,096.01

OUTSIDE RELIEF BY TOWN:

Groceries and Provisions	\$13.28	
Fuel	116.50	
Board and Care	1,175.00	

Medical Care	53.83	
Rent	280.00	
Clothing	14.26	
Cash	1,702.64	
Burials	200.00	
Other Cities and Towns	591.37	
		\$4,146.88

TOTAL GENERAL RELIEF \$5,242.89

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN:

Welfare Agent	\$104.00	
Cash	2,114.50	
All Extra	35.45	
Typewriter Repairs	16.50	
		\$2,270.45

TOTAL AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN \$2,270.45

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—ADMINISTRATION:

Welfare Agent	\$1,040.00	
Supplies	12.52	
Addressograph Repairs	7.50	
		\$1,060.02

AID:

Cash	\$27,196.90	
Other Cities and Towns	668.85	
All Extra	1,276.41	
		\$29,142.16

TOTAL OLD AGE ASSISTANCE \$30,202.18

Reimbursement from Estate to C. of M. 93.00

TOTAL CHARITIES \$37,898.52

SOLDIERS' RELIEF:

Groceries and Provisions	\$80.00	
Fuel	4.50	
		\$84.50

TOTAL SOLDIERS' RELIEF \$84.50

TOTAL CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' RELIEF \$37,893.32

SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES

SCHOOLS:

Superintendent, Salary	\$1,356.25	
Clerk	939.00	
School Census	60.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	54.14	
Graduation Expense	30.00	
Superintendent's Travel Expense	155.00	
Office Supplies	20.20	
Telephones	204.75	
		\$2,820.27

Teachers' Salaries	\$32,091.70	
Supervisors' Salaries	1,478.75	
Books	1,219.50	
Supplies	1,856.18	
Transportation	3,733.00	
Repairs	1,601.61	
Repairs to Typewriters and Adding Machines	130.50	
Piano Repairs	4.00	
Clock Repairs	7.50	
Equipment	395.03	
Health	16.43	
Flags	6.51	
Shop	204.79	
School Lunches—Labor	1,952.88	
		\$44,628.77

Janitor Service	\$3,944.25	
Janitor's Supplies	375.73	
Equipment	3.00	
Lights	548.91	
Fuel	2,705.62	
Vocational Education	374.89	
Retirement Pay for Teachers	163.63	
		\$7,577.54
TOTAL SCHOOLS		\$55,565.10

LIBRARY:

Librarian	\$1,000.00	
Assistance in Library	34.50	
Janitor	374.00	

Fuel	229.50	
Light	69.12	
Repairs	.75	
Telephone	32.16	

TOTAL LIBRARY \$1,740.03

TOTAL SCHOOLS AND LIBRARY \$57,305.13

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED

PLAYGROUND:

Janitor	\$1,410.00	
Janitor's Supplies	13.73	
Other Labor	91.77	
Fuel	790.44	
Gas	18.18	
Lights	158.63	
Telephone	48.38	
Repairs	174.45	
Extraordinary Repairs to Building	43.00	
Repairs to Furnishings	147.81	
Equipment	5.23	
Postage	1.64	
		\$2,903.26

PARKS:

Superintendent	\$75.00	
		\$75.00
Care of Green and War Memorial Plot	65.51	

TOTAL RECREATION \$3,043.77

UNCLASSIFIED:

Observance of Memorial and Armistice Days	\$125.68	
Printing and Distributing Town Reports	587.35	
Plymouth County Aid to Agriculture	100.00	
		\$813.03

LEGAL EXPENSES AND OTHER CONTINGENCIES:

LEGAL EXPENSES:

Opinion rendered to School Committee	\$5.00	
Opinion on Bates title	57.20	

Opinion re: Roberta Pierce et als accident	204.40	
Other Contingencies		\$266.60 115.05
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED		\$1,221.53
TOTAL RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED		\$1,263.15

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

WATER DEPARTMENT:

ADMINISTRATION:

Commissioners' Salaries	\$125.72	
Commitment Clerk	275.00	
Superintendent	2,145.00	
Superintendent's Assistant	1,430.00	
Printing, Stationery and Postage	26.60	
Magazine Subscription	2.00	
Supplies	21.14	
Telephone	68.26	
Association Dues	7.50	
		\$1,101.22

OPERATING EXPENSES:

Labor	\$96.45	
Truck Storage	11.60	
Truck Operation	312.65	
Truck Repairs	62.57	
Equipment	36.99	
Pipe and Fittings	53.61	
Repairs	52.00	
Supplies	49.95	
Fuel	92.03	
Power and Light	1,053.97	
M. V. Registration	2.00	
		\$1,823.82
Painting Tank		\$590.60

EXTENSION OF WATER MAIN ON GROVE STREET:

Foreman	\$75.00
Labor	186.35

Trucks	44.00
Pipe and Fittings	1,340.98
Equipment	380.04
Supplies	43.02
Shovel	192.00
Grader	4.00
	\$2,265.39

REPLACING WATER MAIN ON SUMMER STREET:

Pipe and Fittings	\$268.52
Supplies	142.98
	\$411.50

TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT	\$9,192.53
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ALEWIFE COMMITTEE:

Labor	\$55.85
Supplies	1.21
	\$57.06
TOTAL PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES	\$9,249.59

INTEREST AND DEBT

INTEREST:

Public Service Loans:	
Water	\$210.00
Fire Equipment	30.00
	\$240.00

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS:

Public Service Loans:	
Water	\$3,000.00
Fire Equipment	4,000.00
Anticipation of Revenue Loans	3,000.00
	\$10,000.00

TOTAL INTEREST AND DEBT	\$10,240.00
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AGENCY TRUST AND INVESTMENT

AGENCY:

State Tax	\$8,954.00	
State Parks and Reservations	145.15	
		\$9,099.15
Withholding Tax	\$5,840.68	
County Tax	7,709.07	
Plymouth County Hospital--Maintenance	2,791.92	
Dog Licenses	716.00	
		\$17,056.77
TOTAL AGENCY		\$26,155.92

TRUST:

PUBLIC TRUST:

Income Thomas Prince Benevolent Fund	93.20	
Income School Funds for Lectures	273.41	
Income School Funds for Cash Prizes	22.13	
Income School Funds for Books	54.57	
Income Lucy P. Ames Memorial Fund	444.55	
Income Madella E. Witherell Fund	3.50	
Flag Fund	151.31	
		\$1,042.77
TOTAL PUBLIC TRUST		\$1,042.77
TOTAL AGENCY AND TRUST		\$27,198.69

INVESTMENT:

Post War Rehabilitation Fund:		\$10,000.00
War Bonds		
TOTAL AGENCY TRUST AND INVESTMENT		\$37,198.69

REFUNDS

Real Estate Taxes	\$153.65
Personal Taxes	2.00

Excise Taxes	13.28	
Water Rates	7.00	
		\$175.93
TOTAL REFUNDS		\$175.93
TOTAL PAYMENTS		\$207,195.58
CASH, DECEMBER 31, 1944		\$81,039.69
		\$288,235.27

DEBT STATEMENT

Name of Loan	Issued	Amount	Rate	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1944	Paid 1944	Outstanding Dec. 31, 1944	Due 1945
Water Loan, 1937	Nov. 15, 1937	\$35,000.00	1% %	\$12,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$9,000.00	\$3,000.00

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES LEDGER ACCOUNTS

General Government;	Balance Jan. 1, '44	Appropriations	Receipts	Transfers	Refunds	Total Available	Amount Expended	Closed to Revenue, etc.	Balance Dec. 31, '44
Moderator		\$25.00				\$25.00	\$25.00		
Selectmen		1,117.00				1,117.00	1,055.55	\$61.45	
Accountant and Auditor		2,236.00				2,236.00			

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

LEDGER ACCOUNTS

	Balance Jan. 1, '44	Appropriations	Receipts	Transfers	Refunds	Total Available	Amount Expended	Closed to Revenue, etc.	Balance Dec. 31, '44
General Government:									
Moderator		\$25.00				\$25.00	\$25.00		
Selectmen		1,117.00				1,117.00	1,055.55	\$61.45	
Accountant and Auditor		2,236.00				2,236.00	2,227.07	8.93	
Treasurer and Collector		2,655.00				2,655.00	2,607.50	47.50	
Tax Title Foreclosures	\$25.05				\$13.25	38.30	18.75		\$19.55
Assessors		1,850.00				1,850.00	1,847.56	2.44	
Town Clerk		593.50		\$50.00		643.50	595.46	48.04	
Election and Registration		706.00				706.00	691.41	14.59	
Finance Committee		10.00		10.00		20.00	15.18	4.82	
Town House Maintenance		1,955.00				1,955.00	1,950.87	4.13	
Town House Fixtures	2.40					2.40		2.40\$	
Doors for Vault	485.00					485.00			485.00
Protection of Persons and Property:									
Police Department		4,524.00				4,524.00	4,476.89	47.11	
Police Uniforms	.80					.80		.80\$	
Radio—Police Car		500.00				500.00			500.00
Police Equipment	39.73					39.73		39.73\$	
Police New Cruiser—1942	58.00					58.00		58.00\$	
Dog Officer		50.000		2.00		52.00	52.00		
Shellfish		380.00				380.00	286.83	93.17	
Harbor Master		15.00				15.00	3.43	11.57	
Fire Dept. Maintenance		4,589.70			22.67	4,612.37	4,553.91	58.46	
Sealer of Weights and Measures		300.00				300.00	292.14	7.86	
Suppression of Moths		1,300.00				1,300.00	886.80	413.70	
Tree Warden		125.00		50.00		175.00	135.90	39.10	

	Balance Jan. 1, '11	Appropriations	Receipts	Transfers	Refunds	Total Available	Amount Expended	Closed to Revenue, etc.	Balance Dec. 31, '11
Forest Fires:									
Prevention and Extinguishment		1,200.00		2,750.00		3,950.00	3,949.63	.37	
Equipment	10.09					10.09		10.09\$	
Bounties on Seals		11.00				11.00	11.00		
Insurance:									
Municipal Bldgs. and Property	191.64	1,800.00				1,991.64	1,682.61		309.03
Workmen's Compensation	332.32	500.00				832.32	401.03		431.29
Defense	394.92	500.00			1.50	896.42	236.04		660.38
Health and Sanitation:									
Health Maintenance		1,620.00		50.00		1,670.00	1,640.89	29.11	
Health Equipment	9.50					9.50		9.50\$	
Jordan Hospital Free Bed		750.00				750.00		750.00	
Inspector of Animals		150.00				150.00	150.00		
Inspector of Slaughtering		50.00				50.00	50.00		
Mosquito Control Maint.		300.00				300.00	300.00		
Highways:									
General Highway		7,580.00				7,580.00	7,456.60	123.40	
Highway Equipment	13.12					13.12		13.12\$	
Road Machinery	198.45	2,000.00				2,198.45	1,739.28		459.17
Guard Fences	200.00					200.00			200.00
Street, Direction and Danger Signs	100.00					100.00	79.50		20.50
Snow Removal		2,500.00		40.00		2,540.00	2,536.86	3.14	
Street Lighting		2,775.00				2,775.00	2,656.67	118.33	
Drainage—Main and Green Sts.	1,300.00					1,300.00			1,300.00
Chap. 90—Wapping Road Maint.	891.05					891.05		594.48	297.47
Chap. 90—Maintenance (Art. 7)		4,500.00				4,500.00	4,498.78	1.22\$	
Thomas Street	328.07					328.07			328.07
Off Evergreen Street	132.70					132.70			132.70

Permanent Side Walks	4.91					4.91			4.91
Home Park Court	571.10					571.10			571.10
Land Damage:									
Pembroke St., Decree No. 940	49.25					49.25			49.25
Pembroke St., Decree No. 772	104.00					104.00			104.00
Winter St., Decree No. 981	85.01					85.01			85.01
Wapping Rd., Decree No. 680	24.80					24.80			24.80
Landing Rd., Decree No. 729									

Street, Direction and Danger Signs	100.00		100.00	79.50	20.50
Snow Removal	2,500.00	40.00	2,540.00	2,530.80	3.14
Street Lighting	2,775.00		2,775.00	2,650.67	118.33
Drainage—Main and Green Sts.	1,300.00		1,300.00		1,300.00
Chap. 90—Wapping Road Maint.	891.95		891.95		594.48 207.47
Chap. 90—Maintenance (Art. 7)		4,500.00	1,500.00	4,498.78	1.22\$
Thomas Street	328.07		328.07		328.07
Off Evergreen Street	132.70		132.70		132.70

Permanent Side Walks	4.91		4.91		4.91
Home Park Court	571.10		571.10		571.10
Land Damage:					
Pembroke St., Decree No. 940	49.25		49.25		49.25
Pembroke St., Decree No. 772	104.00		104.00		104.00
Winter St., Decree No. 981	85.01		85.01		85.01
Wapping Rd., Decree No. 680	24.80		24.80		24.80
Landing Rd., Decree No. 729	15.25		15.25		15.25
Cole and Oak Sts.	32.55		32.55		32.55

Charities and Soldiers' Benefits:

Public Welfare:

Administration	1,105.00		1,105.00	1,096.01	8.99
General Relief	5,500.00		5,511.54	4,146.88	1,364.66
A. D. C.					
Administration	11.79FG	100.00	170.14	120.50	19.50
Aid	131.25FG	1,650.00	2,708.75	2,149.95	209.90
O. A. A.					
Administration	22.96FG	650.00	1,089.11	1,060.02	9.98
Aid	1,237.01FG	18,000.00	31,517.44	29,142.16	193.58
Soldiers' Relief and Burials	500.00		500.00	84.80	415.20

Schools and Libraries:

Schools:

School Departments	56,431.16		56,431.16	56,362.58	68.58
Maintenance—1942	.87		.87		.87\$
Equipment	1.58		1.58		1.58\$
Extraordinary Repairs	132.70		132.70		132.70
Equipment for School Lunches	86.74		86.74		86.74
Retirement Pay for Teachers	165.00		165.00	163.63	1.37

	Balance Jan. 1, '41	Appropriations	Receipts	Transfers	Refunds	Total Available	Amount Expended	Closed to Revenue, etc.	Balance Dec. 31, '41
Grading at Howland's Lane School		150.00				150.00			150.00
Driveway at High School	190.21					190.21			190.21
Vocational Education		400.00				400.00	354.37	45.63	
Vocational Education 1943		20.52				20.52	20.52		
Public Library		1,900.00				1,900.00	1,740.03	159.27	
Recreation and Unclassified:									
Playground		2,717.00				2,717.00	2,712.45	4.55	
Repairs to Building	49.89	200.00				249.89	43.00		206.89
Recreational Equipment and Repairs	93.25	100.00				193.25			193.25
Repairs to Furnishings		150.00				150.00	147.81	2.19	
Parks		150.00				150.00	75.00		75.00
Town Green and War Memo- rial Plot		100.00				100.00	65.51	34.49	
Care of Other Municipal Property		25.00				25.00			25.00
Observance of Memorial and Armistice Days		200.00				200.00	125.68	74.32	
County Aid to Agriculture		100.00				100.00	100.00		
Town Reports		700.00				700.00	587.35	112.65	
Legal Expenses and Con- tingencies		500.00				500.00	411.65		88.35
Town Records	50.00					50.00			50.00
Works Progress Adminis- tration	1,553.70					1,553.70		1,553.70\$	
Grave Stones	100.00					100.00			100.00
Reserve		3,000.00				3,000.00	2,952.00	48.00	
Enterprises and Cemeteries:									
Water:									
Maintenance		5,993.75				5,993.75	5,925.04	68.71	
Equipment	20.88	100.00				120.88			120.88
Painting Tank		600.00				600.00	590.60	9.40	
Additional Wells	115.22					115.22			115.22

Replacing Water Main on Evergreen St.	10,500.00		10,500.00			10,500.00
Replacing Water Main on Summer Street	3,300.00		3,300.00	411.50		2,888.50
Extension of Water Main on Grove St.	3,500.00		3,500.00	2,265.39		1,234.61
Alewife Committee	60.00		60.00	57.06		2.94

Interest and Maturing Debt:

Interest Temporary Loans	50.00		50.00			50.00
Interest Public Service Loan	240.00*		240.00	240.00		
Maturing Debt	7,000.00*					

Legal Expenses and Contingencies		500.00	500.00	411.65	88.35
Town Records	50.00		50.00		50.00
Works Progress Administration	1,553.70		1,553.70	1,553.70\$	
Grave Stones	100.00		100.00		100.00
Reserve		3,000.00	3,000.00	2,952.00	48.00
Enterprises and Cemeteries:					
Water:					
Maintenance		5,993.75	5,993.75	5,925.04	68.71
Equipment	20.88	100.00	120.88		120.88
Painting Tank		600.00	600.00	500.60	9.40
Additional Wells	115.22		115.22		115.22

Replacing Water Main on Evergreen St.	10,500.00		10,500.00		10,500.00
Replacing Water Main on Summer Street	3,300.00		3,300.00	411.50	2,888.50
Extension of Water Main on Grove St.	3,500.00		3,500.00	2,265.39	1,234.61
Alewife Committee	60.00		60.00	57.06	2.94

Interest and Maturing Debt:

Interest Temporary Loans	50.00		50.00		50.00
Interest Public Service Loan	240.00*		240.00		
Maturing Debt	7,000.00*		7,000.00	7,000.00	

Non Revenue

W. P. A. Pipe Laying	.91		.91		.91\$
500,000 Gal. Standpipe	.65		.65		.65\$
New Maxim Fire Truck	221.00		221.00		221.00

Income from Trust Funds:

William H. Willis Fund	328.86	75.00	403.86		403.86
Thomas Prince Benev. Fund	367.00		367.00	93.20	273.80
Arthur F. Wadsworth Fund	76.72		76.72		76.72
School Funds:					
Lectures	259.59	191.05	450.64	273.41	177.23
Books	59.90	20.10	80.00	54.57	25.43
Prizes	22.13	20.11	42.24	22.13	20.11
Lucy P. Ames Memorial Fund	443.77	417.25	861.02	444.65	416.37
Madella E. Witherell Fund	3.50	3.00	6.50	3.50	3.00
Withholding Tax	521.27	5,905.80	6,427.07	5,840.68	586.39

Assessments:

State Tax		8,954.00	8,954.00	8,954.00	
State Audit of Municipal Accounts		411.83	411.83	411.83	
State Parks and Reservations	4.39	145.15	149.54	145.15	4.39

	Balance Jan. 1, '44	Appropriations	Receipts	Transfers	Refunds	Total Available	Amount Expended	Closed to Revenue, etc.	Balance Dec. 31, '44
County Tax		7,981.54				7,981.54	7,981.54		
Plymouth County Hospital Maintenance		2,791.02				2,791.02	2,791.02		

* Assessments

\$ Surplus Revenue (E. & D.)

FG Federal Grant

CLOSED:

Sundry Appropriations to Revenue	\$4,785.83
Estimated Receipts to Revenue	8,494.49
Revenue to E. & D.	13,284.32
Total Transfers from Reserve	2,952.00

BALANCE SHEET—December 31, 1944

TOWN OF KINGSTON

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash \$81,039.69

Accounts Receivable:

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Withholding Tax \$586.39

Dog Licenses Due County 1.80

Tailings 60.75

BALANCE SHEET—December 31, 1944

TOWN OF KINGSTON

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	
Cash	\$81,039.69	Withholding Tax	\$586.39
Accounts Receivable:		Dog Licenses Due County	1.80
Taxes:		Tailings	62.73
Levy of 1944:		Sale of Tax Possession Property	2,047.57
Personal	\$167.75	Road Machinery Fund	735.75
Real	11,001.42	Trust Funds Income:	
	\$11,169.17	William H. Willis Fund	\$403.86
Levy of 1943:		Thomas Prince Benev. Fund	273.80
Real	597.53	Arthur F. Wadsworth Fund	76.12
	597.53	School Funds for Lectures	177.23
	11,766.70	School Funds for Books	25.43
Tax Titles	757.66	School Funds for Prizes	20.11
Tax Possessions	2,016.59	Lucy P. Ames Memorial Fund	416.37
Motor Vehicle Excise Tax 1944	32.78	Madella E. Witherell Fund	3.00
Departmental			1,396.52
Public Welfare—General		Federal Grants:	
Relief	1.68	A. D. C. Adm.	\$30.14
O. A. A.	33.13	A. D. C. Aid	348.90
O. A. A. Recoveries	326.00	O. A. A. Adm.	19.11
Special Estates of Decensed Persons	48.56	O. A. A. Aid	2,181.70
	409.37		2,579.85
		Unexpended Appropriation Balances:	
		Tax Title Foreclosures	19.56
		New Doors for Vault	485.00
		Radio—Police Car	500.00
		Insurance Municipal Buildings and Property	309.03

Insurance Workmen's Compensation	431.29
Defense	660.38
Road Machinery	459.17
Guard Fences	200.00
Street, Direction and Danger Signs	20.50
Drainage -- Main and Green Sts.	1,300.00
Wapping Road Chap. 90 -- Maintenance	297.47
Thomas Street	328.07
Off Evergreen Street	132.70
Permanent Sidewalks	4.91
Home Park Court	571.10
Land Damage:	
Pembroke St., Decree No. 940	49.25
Pembroke St., Decree No. 772	104.00
Winter St., Decree No. 981	85.01
Wapping Rd., Decree No. 680	24.80
Landing Rd., Decree No. 729	15.25
Cole and Oak	32.55
Schools:	
Extraordinary Repairs	132.70
Equipment for School Lunches	86.74
Grading at Howland's Lane	150.00
Driveway at High School	190.21
Playground:	
Repairs to Building	208.89
Recreational Equipment and Repairs	195.25
Parks	75.00
Care of Other Municipal Property	25.00
Legal Expenses and Contingencies	88.35

Town Records	50.00
Grave Stones	100.00
Water Department:	
Equipment	120.88
Additional Wells	115.22
Replacing Water Main on Evergreen Street	10,500.00
Replacing Water Main on Summer Street	2,888.50
Extension of Water Main on Grovo Street	

Extraordinary Repairs	132.70
Equipment for School Lunches	86.74
Grading at Howland's Lane	150.00
Driveway at High School	190.21
Playground:	
Repairs to Building	206.89
Recreational Equipment and Repairs	195.25
Parks	75.00
Care of Other Municipal Property	25.00
Legal Expenses and Contingencies	88.36

Town Records	50.00	
Grave Stones	100.00	
Water Department:		
Equipment	120.88	
Additional Wells	115.22	
Replacing Water Main on Evergreen Street	10,500.00	
Replacing Water Main on Summer Street	2,888.50	
Extension of Water Main on Grove Street	1,234.61	
New Fire Truck (Non Revenue)	221.00	
		\$22,408.38

Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	1,953.40	85
Overlays Reserved for Abatement of Taxes:		
Levy of 1944	\$2,182.10	
Levy of 1943	638.83	
	2,820.93	

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Tax Titles	\$757.66	
Tax Possession	2,016.59	
M. V. Excise 1944	32.78	
Departmental	360.81	
Special Estates of Deceased Persons	48.56	
		3,216.40

Surplus Revenue (E. & D.)	58,213.07
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\$96,022.79

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DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	\$9,000.00	Water Loan 1937	\$9,000.00
	<u>\$9,000.00</u>		<u>\$9,000.00</u>

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust Funds, Cash and Securities:		William H. Willis Fund	\$10,452.57
In Custody of Town Treasurer	\$87,949.86	Thomas Prince Benevolent Fund	28,981.53
Washburn Fund Trustees	10,282.98	Arthur F. Wadsworth Fund	2,805.40
Library Fund Trustees	27,031.26	Frederic C. Adams School Fund	5,000.00
		Rosa A. Cole School Fund	1,000.00
		Annie C. Thomas School Fund	5,000.00
		Elizabeth F. Glover Drinking Fountain Fund	625.25
		Lucy Prince Ames Memorial Fund	20,000.00
		Georgianna Jerome Perpetual Care Fund	55.66
		Madella E. Witherell Perpetual Care Fund	110.35
		Municipal Buildings Insurance Fund	3,170.57
		Workmen's Compensation Insurance Fund	596.46
		Flag Fund	152.07
		Post War Rehabilitation Fund	10,000.00
			<u>\$87,949.86</u>
		Inhabed Washburn Benevolent Fund	\$10,282.98
		Frederic C. Adams Library	
		Fund	\$20,157.23
		Rosa A. Cole Library Fund	5,189.64
		Annie C. Thomas Library Fund	1,038.52
		Byron C. Quinby Library Fund	645.87
			<u>27,031.26</u>
	<u>\$125,264.10</u>		<u>\$125,264.10</u>

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To the Board of S
Mr. William M. P
Kingston, Massac

Gentlemen:

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accounts of the tow
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visions of Chapter
report made to m
of Accounts.

TNW:CFB

Mr. Theodore N. V
Director of Accoun
Department of Co
State House, Bosto

Sir:

In accordance
of the books and a
from January 1, 1
December 16, 1944

REPORT OF STATE AUDITOR

January 11, 1945.

To the Board of Selectmen
Mr. William M. Post, Chairman
Kingston, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Kingston for the period from January 1, 1944, to December 16, 1944, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

THEODORE N. WADDELL.

Director of Accounts.

TNW:CFB

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell
Director of Accounts
Department of Corporations and Taxation
State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Kingston for the period from January 1, 1944, the date of the previous examination, to December 16, 1944, the following report being submitted thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined, checked, and verified by comparison with the books of the town accountant and the treasurer.

The books and accounts in the office of the town accountant were examined and checked. The receipts, as recorded on the ledger, were checked with the records of the several departments making payments to the treasurer and with the treasurer's books, while the recorded payments were checked with the treasury warrants issued by the selectmen and with the treasurer's cash book. The appropriations and transfers from the reserve fund, as recorded on the ledger, were checked with the town clerk's records of town meetings and with the authorization of the finance committee.

The town accountant's ledger was analyzed, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town on December 16, 1944. An examination of the balance sheet indicates that the town is in very good financial condition.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were compared with the records in the departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were checked with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the disbursement of town funds. The cash balance on December 16, 1944, was proved by reconciliation of the bank balance with a statement furnished by the bank of deposit and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The payments of maturing debt and interest were proved with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities on file.

The savings bank books and securities representing trust and investment fund investments in the custody of the town

treasurer and the trustees were examined and listed. The income was proved, the withdrawals and disbursements were verified, and the cash balance was reconciled with a statement received from the bank of deposit.

The records of tax titles held by the town were examined and checked. The amounts added to the tax title account were compared with the collector's records, the redemptions were checked with the receipts as recorded on the treasurer's cash book, and the tax titles on hand were listed and compared with the records in the Registry of Deeds.

The books and accounts of the town collector were examined and checked. The taxes outstanding at the time of the previous examination and all subsequent commitments were audited and reconciled with the assessors' warrants. The payments to the treasurer were checked to the treasurer's cash book, the recorded abatements were compared with the assessors' records of abatements granted, the transfers to the tax title account were checked, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the respective ledger accounts.

The departmental accounts receivable outstanding according to the previous examination, as well as all subsequent commitments, were audited and proved. The payments to the treasurer were checked with the treasurer's recorded receipts, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved.

The commitments of water rates and charges were examined and checked. The recorded payments to the treasurer were compared with the treasurer's cash book and the abatements were verified.

Verification of the outstanding tax, departmental, and water accounts was made by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books and records as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts, as listed, are correct.

The town clerk's records of dog and sporting licenses issued were examined and checked. The payments to the State were verified by comparison with the receipts on file, the payments to the town treasurer were compared with the treasurer's cash book, and the cash on hand was verified.

The surety bonds furnished by the several officials required to file such surety were examined and found to be in proper form.

The records of receipts from license, permits, and grants, from the sealer of weights and measures and the library, as well as from all other departments in which money was collected for the town, were examined, checked, and reconciled with the treasurer's and the accountant's books.

In addition to the balance sheet referred to, there are appended to this report tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, together with summaries of the tax, tax title, departmental, and water accounts, as well as tables showing the condition and transactions of the trust and investment funds.

While engaged in making the audit, co-operation was received from the officials of the town, for which, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, I wish to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,

Assistant Director of Accounts.

HBD:CFB

RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

Balance January 1, 1944	\$70,234.32	
Receipts January 1 to December 16, 1944	207,749.63	
		\$277,983.95
Payments January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$196,942.55	
Balance December 16, 1944:		
Cash in office verified	\$3,221.91	
The Plymouth National Bank	77,819.49	
		\$81,041.40
		\$277,983.95

The Plymouth National Bank

Balance December 16, 1944, per statement		\$82,732.77
Balance December 16, 1944, per check register	\$77,819.49	
Outstanding checks December 16, 1944, per list	4,913.28	
		\$82,732.77

REAL ESTATE TAXES — 1942

Outstanding January 1, 1944	\$895.29	
Abatements and payments refunded January 1 to December 16, 1944	33.75	
		\$929.04
Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$883.67	
Abatements January 1 to December 16, 1944	45.67	
		\$929.04

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1943

Outstanding January 1, 1944		\$411.79
Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$469.54	
Abatements January 1 to December 16, 1944	4.55	
		\$414.79

REAL ESTATE TAXES — 1943

Outstanding January 1, 1944	\$11,344.24	
Abatements and payments refunded January 1 to December 16, 1944	31.15	
		\$11,375.39

Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$10,676.81	
Abatements January 1 to December 16, 1944	53.72	
Transferred to tax titles January 1 to December 16, 1944	9.00	
Outstanding December 16, 1944, per list	638.83	
		\$11,378.39

POLI. TAXES — 1944

Commitment January 1 to December 16, 1944, per warrants	\$2,072.00	
Abatement and payment refunded January 1 to December 16, 1944	2.00	
		\$2,074.00

Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$1,511.00	
Abatements January 1 to December 16, 1944	560.00	
		\$2,071.00

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES — 1944

Commitment January 1 to December 16, 1944, per warrant		\$7,283.75
Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$6,966.50	
Abatements January 1 to December 16, 1944	8.25	
Outstanding December 16, 1944, per list	309.00	
		\$7,259.75

REAL ESTATE TAXES — 1944

Commitment January 1 to December 16, 1944, per warrant	\$107,161.25	
Abatements and payments refunded January 1 to December 16, 1944	85.75	
		\$107,247.00
Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$91,911.10	
Abatements January 1 to December 16, 1944	198.75	
Transferred to tax titles January 1 to December 16, 1944	208.00	
Outstanding December 16, 1944, per list	11,929.15	
		\$107,247.00

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES — 1943

Outstanding January 1, 1944	\$28.00	
Commitment January 1 to December 16, 1944, per warrant	2.00	
Abatements and payments refunded January 1 to December 16, 1944	5.45	
		\$35.45
Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944		\$35.45

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES — 1944

Commitment January 1 to December 16, 1944, per warrants	\$3,397.03	
Abatements and payments refunded January 1 to December 16, 1944	7.83	
		\$3,404.86
Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$3,316.43	
Abatements January 1 to December 16, 1944	57.65	
Outstanding December 16, 1944, per list	30.78	
		\$3,404.86

INTEREST ON TAXES

Interest collections January 1 to December 16, 1944:

Taxes:		
Levy of 1942	\$40.75	
Levy of 1943	285.46	
Levy of 1944	35.25	
		\$361.46

Motor vehicle excise taxes:

Levy of 1943	\$19	
Levy of 1944	3.75	
		3.94
		\$365.40

Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944		\$365.40
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COST-ON TAXES

Costs collections January 1 to December 16, 1944:	
Taxes:	
Levy of 1944	\$28.69
Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$28.69

TAX TITLES

Balance January 1, 1944	\$1,593.43	
Transferred to tax titles January 1 to December 16, 1944:		
Taxes 1943	\$9.00	
Taxes 1944	208.00	
Interest and costs	6.47	
	<u>223.47</u>	\$1,726.90
Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$796.51	
Abatements January 1 to December 16, 1944	48.46	
Tax titles foreclosed January 1 to December 16, 1944	124.27	
Balance December 16, 1944, per list	<u>767.66</u>	\$1,726.90

TAX POSSESSIONS

Balance January 1, 1944	\$2,044.97	
Tax titles foreclosed January 1 to December 16, 1944	124.27	
Land court fees added to tax possessions	115.65	
Selling price in excess of book value of tax possessions sold	<u>88.70</u>	\$2,373.59
Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$295.00	
Balance December 16, 1944, per list	<u>2,078.59</u>	\$2,373.59

TOWN CLERK

Dog Licenses

Licenses issued January 1 to December 16, 1944:		
Spayed females	56 @ 2.00	112.00
Males	221 @ \$2.00	\$442.00
Females	39 @ 5.00	195.00
Kennel	1 @ 25.00	25.00
		<u>\$774.00</u>
Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944		\$708.80
Fees retained January 1 to December 16, 1944		63.20
Cash on hand December 16, 1944, verified		<u>2.00</u>
		\$774.00

Sporting Licenses

Licenses issued January 1 to December 16, 1944:		
Series No. 1	37 @ \$2.00	\$74.00
Series No. 2	82 @ 2.00	164.00
Series No. 3	60 @ 3.25	195.00
Series No. 4	4 @ 1.25	5.00
Series No. 6	2 @ 5.25	10.50
Series No. 13	1 @ .50	.50
		<u>\$449.00</u>
Payments to Division of Fisheries and Game, January 1 to December 16, 1944		\$397.50
Fees retained January 1 to December 16, 1944		45.50
Cash on hand December 16, 1944, verified		<u>6.00</u>
		\$449.00

LICENSES, PERMITS AND GRANTS

Outstanding January 1, 1944	\$28.00	
Licenses, permits and grants issued January 1 to December 16, 1944:		
Automobile dealers'	\$15.00	
Beer, wine and liquor	212.00	
Junk	10.00	
Pistol	8.50	
Shellfish	90.00	
Trailer park	2.00	
Sunday	<u>8.00</u>	345.50
		<u>\$373.50</u>

Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$366.50	
Abatements January 1 to December 16, 1944	2.00	
Outstanding December 16, 1944, per list	5.00	
		<u>\$373.50</u>

DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Outstanding January 1, 1944	\$471.94	
Commitments January 1 to December 16, 1944	14,159.97	
		<u>\$14,631.91</u>
Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$14,261.36	
Abatements January 1 to December 16, 1944	.61	
Outstanding December 16, 1944, per list:		
Police	\$8.00	
Public Welfare	8.30	
Old age assistance	326.00	
Schools	27.54	
		<u>369.84</u>
		<u>\$14,631.91</u>

TAXES ON ESTATES OF DECEASED PERSONS

Commitment January 1 to December 16, 1944, per warrant	\$43.55
Outstanding December 16, 1944, per list	\$43.55

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Fees January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$61.17
Overpayments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	.17
	<u>\$61.34</u>
Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	<u>\$61.34</u>

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Licenses

Licenses issued January 1 to December 16, 1944:	
Milk and Cream	\$8.00
Oleomargarine	1.00
Pasteurization	10.00
Recreation camp	1.00
	<u>\$20.00</u>
Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	<u>\$20.00</u>

LIBRARY

Fines January 1 to December 21, 1944	\$160.09
Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 21, 1944	\$149.18
Cash on hand December 21, 1944, verified	<u>10.91</u>
	<u>\$160.09</u>

COMUNITY HOUSE

Charges January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$80.00
Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	<u>\$80.00</u>

WATER RATES AND CHARGES

Commitments January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$15,981.77
Abatements and payments refunded January 1 to December 16, 1944	<u>7.00</u>
	<u>\$15,988.77</u>
Payments to treasurer January 1 to December 16, 1944	\$15,802.50
Abatements January 1 to December 16, 1944	167.97
Outstanding December 16, 1944, per list	<u>18.00</u>
	<u>\$15,988.77</u>

WILLIAM H. WILLIS CHARITY FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Savings Deposits	Securities Par Value	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944	\$8,850.35	\$1,440.00	\$10,290.35
On hand December 16, 1944	\$9,012.57	\$1,440.00	\$10,452.57

Receipts

Payments

January 1 to December 16, 1944			
Income	\$237.22	Added to savings deposits	\$162.22
		Transferred to town	<u>75.00</u>
	<u>\$237.22</u>		<u>\$237.22</u>

THOMAS PRINCE BENEVOLENT FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944	\$28,413.51	\$28,413.51
On hand December 16, 1944	\$28,931.53	\$28,931.53

Receipts

Payments

January 1 to December 16, 1944

Income	\$568.02	Added to savings deposits	\$568.62
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ARTHUR F. WADSWORTH WELFARE FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944	\$2,750.13	\$2,750.13
On hand December 16, 1944	\$2,805.40	\$2,805.40

Receipts

Payments

January 1 to December 16, 1944

Income	\$55.27	Added to savings deposits	\$55.27
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FREDERIC C. ADAMS SCHOOL FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
On hand December 16, 1944	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00

Receipts

Payments

January 1 to December 16, 1944

Income	\$100.53	Transferred to town	\$100.53
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ROSA A. COLE SCHOOL FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
On hand December 16, 1944	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00

Receipts

Payments

January 1 to December 16, 1944

Income	\$20.10	Transferred to town	\$20.10
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ANNIE C. THOMAS SCHOOL FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
On hand December 16, 1944	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00

Receipts

Payments

January 1 to December 16, 1944

Income	\$110.63	Transferred to town	\$110.63
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ELIZABETH F. GLOVER DRINKING FOUNTAIN FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944	\$612.94	\$612.94
On hand December 16, 1944	\$625.25	\$625.25

Receipts

Payments

January 1 to December 16, 1944

Income	\$12.31	Added to savings deposits	\$12.31
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LUCY P. AMES CEMETERY FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
On hand December 16, 1944	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00

Receipts

Payments

January 1 to December 16, 1944

Income	\$417.25	Transferred to town	\$417.25
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ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944	\$54.57	\$54.57
On hand December 16, 1944	\$55.66	\$55.66

Receipts

Payments

January 1 to December 16, 1944

Income	\$1.09	Added to savings deposits	\$1.09
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EVERGREEN CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944	\$111.12	\$111.12
On hand December 16, 1944	\$110.35	\$110.35

Receipts

Payments

January 1 to December 16, 1944

Withdrawn from savings deposits	\$3.77	Transferred to town	\$3.00
Income	2.23		
	<u>\$3.00</u>		<u>\$3.00</u>

MUNICIPAL BUILDING INSURANCE FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944	\$3,111.40	\$3,111.40
On hand December 16, 1944	\$3,170.57	\$3,170.57

Receipts

Payments

January 1 to December 16, 1944

Income	\$59.17	Added to savings deposits	\$59.17
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WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION INSURANCE FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944	\$584.72	\$584.72
On hand December 16, 1944	\$595.46	\$595.46

Receipts

Payments

January 1 to December 16, 1944

Income	\$11.74	Added to savings deposits	\$11.74
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FLAG FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944		
On hand December 16, 1944	\$152.07	\$152.07

Receipts

Payments

January 1 to December 16, 1944

Gift	\$151.31	Deposited in savings bank	\$152.07
Income	.76		
	<u>\$152.07</u>		<u>\$152.07</u>

POST-WAR REHABILITATION FUND

In Custody of Town Treasurer

	Securities Par Value	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944		
On hand December 16, 1944	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00

Receipts

Payments

January 1 to December 16, 1944

Appropriation by town	\$10,000.00	Securities purchased	\$10,000.00
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ICHABOD WASHBURN BENEVOLENT FUND

In Custody of Trustees

	Cash	Savings Deposits	Securities Par Value	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944		\$276.64	\$10,000.00	\$10,276.64
On hand December 16, 1944	\$15.00	\$267.98	\$10,000.00	\$10,222.98

Receipts

Payments

January 1 to December 16, 1944

Withdrawn from savings deposits	\$8.66	Beneficiaries	\$190.00
Income	280.34	Surety bond	75.00
		Administration expense	9.00
		Cash on hand December 16, 1944	15.00
	<u>\$289.00</u>		<u>\$289.00</u>

FREDERIC C. ADAMS LIBRARY FUND—INCOME

In Custody of Trustees

	Cash	Deposits Savings	Total
On hand beginning of year 1944	\$115.85	\$8,163.39	\$8,279.24
On hand December 16, 1944	*\$122.08	\$8,339.60	\$8,217.52
Receipts			
January 1 to December 16, 1944			
Transferred from principal amount	\$421.35	Added to savings deposits	\$176.21
Income	170.21	Library expense	654.01
Cash to be withdrawn from savings deposits	122.08	Bank charges	5.27
Cash on hand January 1, 1944	115.49		
	<u>\$835.49</u>		<u>\$835.49</u>

* Overdrawn account

FREDERIC C. ADAMS LIBRARY FUND—PRINCIPAL

In Custody of Trustees

	Savings Deposits	Securities Par Value	Total
On hand beginning of year 1944	\$5,986.21	\$5,980.00	\$11,966.21
On hand December 16, 1944	\$5,986.21	\$5,980.00	\$11,966.21

Receipts

Payments

January 1 to December 16, 1944

Income	\$421.35	Transferred to income account	\$421.35
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ROSA A. COLE LIBRARY FUND

In Custody of Trustees

	Cash	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944	\$168.85	\$5,000.00	\$5,168.85
On hand December 16, 1944	\$191.34	\$5,000.00	\$5,191.34
Receipts			
January 1 to December 16, 1944			
Income	\$100.48	Library expense	\$77.99
Cash on hand January 1, 1944	168.85	Cash on hand December 16, 1944	191.34
	<u>\$269.33</u>		<u>\$269.33</u>

ANNIE C. THOMAS LIBRARY FUND

In Custody of Trustees

	Cash	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944	\$38.52	\$1,000.00	\$1,038.52
On hand December 16, 1944	\$63.52	\$1,000.00	\$1,063.52
Receipts			
January 1 to December 16, 1944			
Income	\$25.00	Cash on hand December 16, 1944	\$63.52
Cash on hand January 1, 1944	38.52		
	<u>\$63.52</u>		<u>\$63.52</u>

BYRON C. QUIMBY LIBRARY FUND

In Custody of Trustees

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1944	\$633.15	\$633.15
On hand December 16, 1944	\$645.87	\$645.87
Receipts	Payments	
January 1 to December 16, 1944		
Income \$12.72	Added to savings deposits	\$12.72

Balance Sheet—December 16, 1944

TOWN OF KINGSTON

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS		LIABILITIES AND RESERVES	
Cash	\$81,041.40	Tailings	\$62.73
Accounts Receivable:		Withholding Taxes—Due Federal Government	252.06
Taxes:		Sale of Real Estate Fund	1,985.57
Levy of 1943:		Road Machinery Fund	735.75
Real Estate	\$638.83	Trust Fund Income:	
Levy of 1944:		William H. Willis Charity Fund	\$403.85
Personal Property	\$309.00	Thomas Prince Benevolent Fund	273.80
Real Estate	11,929.15	Arthur F. Wadsworth Welfare Fund	76.72
	<u>\$12,238.15</u>	School Funds	248.53
	\$12,876.98	Lucy P. Ames Cemetery Fund	418.37
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:		Evergreen Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	3.00
Levy of 1944	30.78		<u>1,424.28</u>
Tax Titles	767.06	Federal Grants:	
Tax Possessions	2,078.59	Aid to Dependent Children:	
Departmental:		Administration	\$30.14
Police	\$8.00	Aid	348.90
Public Welfare	8.40	Old Age Assistance:	
Old Age Assistance	326.00	Administration	79.11
Schools	27.54	Assistance	<u>2,181.70</u>
	<u>369.04</u>		2,639.85

Taxes on Estates of Deceased Persons	48.56	Unexpended Appropriation Balances	37,359.48
Water Rates	18.00	Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	1,953.40
Estimated Receipts to be Collected	248.42	Overlays Reserved for Abatement of Taxes:	
		Levy of 1943	\$638.83
		Levy of 1944	<u>2,182.10</u>
			2,820.93
		Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
		Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	\$30.78
		Tax Titles	767.66
		Tax Possessions	<u>2,078.59</u>

Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:		Evergreen Cemetery Perpetual	
Levy of 1944	30.78	Care Fund	3.00
Tax Titles	757.06		1,424.28
Tax Possessions	2,078.50	Federal Grants:	
Departmental:		Aid to Dependent Children:	
Police	\$8.00	Administration	\$30.14
Public Welfare	8.40	Aid	348.90
Old Age Assistance	326.00	Old Age Assistance:	
Schools	27.54	Administration	79.11
	369.94	Assistance	2,181.70
			2,639.85

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		Levy of 1944	2,182.10
			2,820.93
		Revenue Reserved Until Collected:	
		Motor Vehicle Excise Tax	\$30.78
		Tax Titles	757.66
		Tax Possessions	2,078.59
		Departmental	369.94
		Taxes on Estates	48.56
		Water	18.00
			3,303.53
		Revenue—1944	4.00
		Surplus Revenue	44,928.75
	\$97,470.33		\$97,470.33

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	\$9,000.00	Water Loan 1937	\$9,000.00
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TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Trust and Investment Funds		William H. Willis Charity Fund	\$10,452.57
Cash and Securities:		Thomas Prince Benevolent Fund	28,981.53
In Custody of:		Arthur F. Wadsworth Welfare	
Town Treasurer	\$87,949.86	Fund	2,805.40
Trustees	10,282.98	Frederic C. Adams School Fund	5,000.00
Library Trustees	27,084.46	Rosa A. Cole School Fund	1,000.00
		Annie C. Thomas School Fund	5,000.00
		Elizabeth F. Glover Drinking	
		Fountain Fund	625.25

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Lucy P. Ames Cemetery Fund	20,000.00	
St. Joseph Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	55.66	
Evergreen Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	110.35	
Municipal Building Insurance Fund	3,170.57	
Workmen's Compensation Insurance Fund	596.46	
Flag Fund	152.07	
Post-War Rehabilitation Fund	10,000.00	
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		\$87,949.86
Ichabod Washburn Benevolent Fund		10,282.98
Frederic C. Adams Library Fund	\$20,183.73	
Rosa A. Cole Library Fund	5,191.34	
Annie C. Thomas Library Fund	1,063.52	
Byron C. Quimby Library Fund	645.87	
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		27,084.46
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		\$125,317.30
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Second Winter Term

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

SCHOOL DIRECTORY

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Dorothy Hathaway, Chairman	Term expires 1946
P. Cabot Rushton, Secretary	Term expires 1945
Mrs. Ruth H. Bailey	Term expires 1947
Richard R. Gessner	Term expires 1945
Ernest H. Cote	Term expires 1945

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Charles W. Lawrance	Residence, Kingston, Mass.
Mrs. Carrie D. Holmes	School Committee Clerk

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Fall Term	September 6 to December 22, 1944
Vacation	December 22 to January 2, 1945
Winter Term	January 2 to February 16, 1945
Vacation	February 16 to February 26, 1945
Second Winter Term	February 26 to April 14, 1945
Vacation	April 14 to June 15, 1945

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

June 13, 1945

Schools will be closed for Columbus Day, October 12th; for Teachers' Convention, October 19; Armistice Day, November 11; at noon, Wednesday preceding Thanksgiving and the Friday following; December 22, Good Friday, March 30; Memorial Day, May 30th.

No School Signal will be given over the fire alarm system by one long blast, pause, one long blast, repeated twice. Also by Radio announcements over WNAC, between 7 and 8 A. M.

Signal for all grades at 7:15 A. M.

Signal for grades 1-6 at 7:30 A. M.

STAFF

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	Degree	College	Degree	Graduate Work	School
Francis M. Moran	B.S. in Ed.	Bridgewater Teachers College		Boston University	High
Lucy E. Treat	A.B.	Colby College			High
Dorothy W. Oliver	B.B.A.	Northeastern University			High
Lottie G. Corneally		Regina, Sask., Normal		Boston University	High
Idyla Etelman	B.S. in Ed.	Tufts College			High
Ruth Mitchell	B.S. in Ed.	Salem Teachers College		Boston University	High
Antone Spath	A.B.	Tufts College		Boston University	High
Edward J. Booth	A.B.	Boston College			High
Mahlon F. Leonard		R. C. A. Institute		U. S. Army School	High
Mary C. Sullivan	B.S. in Ed.	Framingham Teachers College			High
Edna E. Matta	B.S. in Ed.	Bridgewater Teachers College			High
Esther DiMarzio	B.S. in Ed.	Boston University			Cobb
Narda D. Whol	B.S. in Ed.	Boston University		Bates College	Cobb
Katherine Baratta	B.S. in Ed.	Bridgewater Teachers College			Cobb
Ethel M. Nicholson	B.S. in Ed.	Bridgewater Teachers College			Cobb
Ilda DiMaseio	B.S. in Ed.	Bridgewater Teachers College			Cobb
Elsbeth Hardy		Salem Teachers College			Howland's Lane
Lucy C. Rae		Farmington State Teachers College			Howland's Lane
Barbara J. Haley	B.S. in Ed.	Lowell State Teachers College			Howland's Lane
Mary A. Curran		Bridgewater Teachers College			Maple Avenue
Florence S. Blume		Curry School of Expression		Hyannis Teachers College	Maple Avenue
Antoinette Garrett	B. Mus.	Boston University			
Vally Stratton	Art	Mass. School of Art			

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

For the Year 1944

During the year 1944, the School Committee has had an unusual number of changes in its personnel. Mr. Ertman, whose term expired in 1944, felt obliged, on account of his health to resign in time for a successor to be elected at the annual March meeting.

Mr. Richard Gessner was elected to finish the unexpired term. In April Mr. Burnham sent his resignation to the Town Clerk as soon as the office of Price Administration began to enforce its regulation which would prevent him from serving on the Rationing Board while holding a town office. In May the School Committee and the Selectmen appointed Mr. Frank A. Randall, who had signified his willingness to serve until the next town election; but, in July Mr. Randall resigned. Mr. Ernest H. Cote was appointed to fill the vacancy.

There have been two serious changes in the teaching staff. Last May, Mrs. Mary L. Chandler, due to illness which later resulted in her death, sent in her resignation. We wish to express our appreciation of her faithful, efficient service, her cooperation and enthusiasm while teaching, and her kindly interest in pupils and teaching associates. Mr. Raymond G. McCarthy, principal of the High School and assistant to the Superintendent, terminated the leave of absence granted him in February, by his resignation in July. Mr. McCarthy carried many responsibilities throughout the school system, directed the activities of the High School and was one of the leaders of education in this region. The Committee sincerely regrets his resignation. Miss Dorothy W. Oliver was Acting Principal at the High School until Mr. Francis M. Moran, formerly a teacher in Kingston and later assistant principal and assistant to the Superintendent in Guil-

ford, Conn., was elected principal of Kingston High School in August. His familiarity with our program and understanding of our problems, his wisdom and round-the-clock activity has enabled the High School to proceed with unimpaired leadership.

There have been changes also in the personnel of the janitors. Mr. Kritzmacher and Mr. Everett continue to serve us, but Mr. James Shaw and Mr. Howard Rushton resigned on account of illness. Mr. Hazeldine is now substituting as janitor and fireman in the High and Maple Avenue Schools.

The transportation contract with the Plymouth and Brockton St. Ry. was renewed for three years at a slight additional cost.

An inspection of the annual school census indicates an increase in the lower grades for the next five years. This increase can already be demonstrated in Grade I, with 57 pupils in September, 1944, as compared with 36 pupils in 1943. Howland's Lane School is greatly overcrowded, housing 95 pupils this year.

A change long contemplated by the Committee was the early closing hour for Grade I during the first two months of the Fall term.

General maintenance work was carried on in all school buildings. Part of the basement of Maple Avenue School was painted and additional lights installed. It had been planned to paint the lunch room in the High School this year, but the High School roof developed several leaks, and later Cobb roof was damaged by the hurricane, so that money planned for other repairs had to be used for the roofs.

All the school buildings are urgently in need of window screens. In the High School a tankless heater was installed, giving hot water to the lunch room, which with a small amount of extra piping will extend hot water to the girls' toilet room.

The boilers in the High School should be replaced. Leaks have developed frequently and new sections have been installed from time to time, but it will now be impossible to buy any further repairs for these boilers as the manufacturers have gone out of business due to war conditions and we understand that the patterns of the boilers have been destroyed. An article will appear in the Town Warrant to enable the town to take some action with respect to the High School heating system.

Four other articles have been prepared by the School Committee for the purpose of enabling the town to take the necessary first steps toward a solution of our school housing problems. There could be no post-war project more needed, more worthwhile, or more patriotic than that of the adequate housing of our school children.

DOROTHY HATHAWAY, Chairman
P. CABOT RUSHTON, Secretary
RUTH H. BAILEY
RICHARD R. GESSNER
ERNEST H. COTE.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Citizens of Kingston:

The year 1944 has seen mounting difficulties for our School Department, especially in securing high grade of new teacher services, and in repairs for maintenance and operation of School plants.

The supply of new teachers is much less than formerly, being about one half of that of a year ago, with new teachers much inclined to wait for the most desirable openings in towns nearer their homes. The larger towns are more eager than ever to get our young teachers and demand less experience than formerly. They are offering them much higher salaries to change their positions. We must be realistic and be ready to meet these offers with comparable salaries.

You are reminded that the new law on minimum salary for teachers, \$1200 for towns the size of Kingston, also raises our salary needs, for all teachers.

This year Kingston has experienced a high percentage of teacher changes, as noted further on in this report. Many new teachers have joined our staff. Without exception, they have entered on their duties with wonderful spirit and eagerness to perform well a vital civic duty and a patriotic service.

Our old staff has cooperated without reserve in helping these new teachers to fit into our school programs with the greatest effectiveness.

The morale of our teachers is a tribute to their fine civic spirit and high professional standards.

In these times education must go on, to the very best that can be provided. Changes are going on in educational plans, especially in small segments of educational activities. We hear of remarkable results from the "new" Army and Navy training plans described as "revolutionizing education." In small segments this is true, especially since these Army and Navy plans do train special groups of men very quickly to specific knowledges and very high degrees of skills, for combat services. These devices, particularly the motion pictures and other visual education equipment, are of enormous help and do apply in special school situations and for specific skills. Our schools have found them of estimable value in giving "background knowledges" in the sciences, chemistry, physics, biology; in geography, history and understanding of people and current events. These visual education programs should be expanded.

EDUCATION FUNDAMENTALS NOT CHANGED

A very brief statement of some fundamentals of education is important for they are broad, basic principles on which our schools are organized and operated. They have been basic for education for a very long time, and will be for many decades to come.

THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM—GENERAL

It is important to realize that the education of a person is a continuous process. Further, we must realize that a pupil's interests and needs change with the increasing age. For these basic reasons, schools are classified into various types, each with its special programs of learning activities. For the years of childhood, there are the pre-elementary and the elementary schools, each with its distinctive programs for special needs. For youth, beginning with age twelve, there are the secondary schools, which are usually designated as "junior high" schools and "senior high" schools. Each type of school has a distinctively different type of programs of education and work.

NEGLECTED PROBLEMS—ELEMENTARY LEVELS

When a little child makes his first appearance at school, whether in Gradel, or pre-primary school, or Kindergarten, or even nursery school, he is in want of an understanding of other children like himself. He needs to acquire patterns of personal and social self-reliance. These patterns of "social adaptation" must be acquired before the child is ready to learn his first school lessons with confidence and with undivided interest. Pre-primary schools give the pupil the needed social experiences, so that he gets along with others with confidence.

About the age of six, the child stands in need of new kinds of educative experiences. He can begin to learn to read and needs a kind of school program to aid him in thinking, and in acquiring many new learnings and understandings about the world and its peoples. These new learnings become fundamental tools in learning new knowledges and understandings, through nature study, geography, history, and especially the understanding of our own past history and its leaders. The elementary schools teach far more than just skills in reading, writing, and arithmetic.

The child in the elementary school should be introduced to music and the other arts. His character development in the elementary schools requires guidance, and his social development in these years requires careful nurture. These programs in practice, require the best trained and experienced teachers obtainable, together with ample spaces and classroom and playground facilities. In his early period of eagerness and curiosity the child should have full scope for making discoveries about himself, his fellows, and the world about him.

SECONDARY SCHOOLS—DIFFERENT PROBLEM

When the child reaches the age of twelve or thereabouts, nature, through the processes of adolescence, begins to transform him into a different kind of person. He grows rapidly in

size and strength and purpose. New glandular secretions course through his blood; he is restless and wants adventure. The school must now give him exploratory opportunities in science, in the creative and expressive arts (which are legion), in all fields of human knowledge and worthy enterprise in which he may have a budding interest. This too is not the only task of the intermediate school (the "junior high school" grades), for there are many more knowledges to master, in science, mathematics, social studies and English. To fail in these special functions for the child is to fail most tragically.

When the youth has had perhaps three years in intermediate school ("junior high school") type of work he should proceed to a day high school or a trade school, where opportunities are given him to develop his greatest abilities and interests, often to the point where he can get a living by them. Since this is likely to be his last formal education, the high school should help him to achieve balance, and prepare him with wise guidance and counsel to face impending opportunities and responsibilities of adult life.

AN ACUTE PROBLEM—KINGSTON'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

Childhood education in Kingston includes grades one through six only. It does not yet include any pre-primary, or kindergarten, nor nursery school experience in the public schools. Yet some of these pre-primary experiences are of very great importance to our children. The time has come when at least one year of pre-primary schooling is desirable, even necessary.

NEW BULGE IS DEVELOPING

Gradel in Kingston has increased from a low number of 36 pupils, in 1943, to 57 in 1944. Present indications are that the first grades will reach a new high in another two to three years. It is impossible to predict better than approximate numbers, because of several factors. Already the number of new pupils for Grade I in September 1945 approaches 40. The num-

ber who will have to repeat the grade is still uncertain, but indications, based on previous years, show a probable class of over 50. This is already a full load for two very competent teachers.

Moreover, the annual number of births during the past five years is markedly higher than for the previous five years, indicating a noticeable increase in numbers for Grade I. Furthermore there is not likely to be a big shift of population from Kingston. The experience of the past years shows that any shift of families out of Kingston is equalled by numbers in new families moving to town. It is probable that the first grade may reach a total of 60 to 65 children before the numbers would be expected to drop. This is a full load for two teachers and a primary-grade remedial teacher.

PRE-PRIMARY CLASS—A HELP

A large part of the time and effort of the teachers in the early Fall weeks in Grade I is devoted to getting the new children acquainted with school procedures, which are new to them, and in adjusting themselves to living quietly and working in social groups with their new child-neighbors. This adapting process by the pupils has always put a strain on the nerves and resiliencies of six-year old children. It definitely retards the efforts of the teacher to begin teaching of reading skills. A pre-primary class would get the children well adjusted to school life before they were placed in Grade I, when they will be ready to learn to read.

At present there is not classroom space for such a class. In fact, there is not adequate space for the present Grade I. In Howland's Lane School building, one teacher has a narrow room, partitioned from the larger room, where she can work with but 15 children. The principal must teach the other 40 children in the adjoining room, which is well suited in floor space for a maximum of 30.

The effect of the strain on nerves of First Grade pupils has been a problem for many years, and is shown by behavior prob-

lems and rather frequent absences of children. This Fall the School Committee decided to try half day sessions for a limited period, from early September to early November, about Armistice Day.

AN ENCOURAGING TRYOUT

Children in Grade I came to school in the morning on the old plan, and had active morning of work. Then about noon, those who could go home by walking or on commercial bus trips were given school tickets and sent home. That left at school about 13 children who live on the outskirts of town, and who have to be sent home on the earliest regular school bus trips, shortly after two. These children have to lose some 50 minutes of schooling every day, under either plan, and are considerably handicapped by this short day. This new plan has given one teacher time to give undivided attention to these children in the afternoon, which has helped to offset the losses of their short school day. The Principal has had time in the afternoon to take over special instruction of a group of nearly 15 Grade II pupils to strengthen their foundations in first grade reading skills.

It must be remembered that there is always heavy pressure in the teaching program in Howland's Lane School, because of the over-crowding — with 94 pupils in 2½ rooms for three teachers—and no more space for expansion. Also the large first grades coming in each year make it impossible to segregate small groups who were slow in developing reading readiness for special remedial work to bring them back to grade. Consequently a small number of pupils must be "moved along" to higher grades while still lacking some of the training in reading they should have. This special afternoon work has been an enormous advantage to these pupils, and the teacher has done a very nice piece of "remedial work" for these pupils.

The results of the first trial of the short day for Grade I are encouraging. Attendance has mounted higher than ever before, to 98% against previous averages of 92-94%. The

teachers report that pupil alertness to learning is much higher, and cumulative fatigues much lessened for the majority of these pupils.

EXPERIMENT SHOULD BE CONTINUED

While many parents are not yet aware of the gains in pupil learnings and attitudes, it is hoped that more and more parents will see that these are real gains. It is the best plan yet devised and workable under conditions existing at Howland's Lane School.

Grade II in Howland's Lane School has its own special problems, because of the crowding of some 38 children in a room adapted for the educational activities of 20-25. The crowding is so severe as to eliminate almost all learning-activity areas for these children, and leave them but one small corner for browsing reading.

Because of these conditions, it is planned to continue the plan of the short session for Grade I, next Fall, from the opening of school to a rather later date, perhaps to January 1st, 1946, before the children will remain in school all day.

Grade III is divided between Cobb and Maple Ave. Schools, and has spaces adequate for learning activities of present numbers. However when the third grades are consolidated, they will badly over-crowd one room. As Grade III is generally considered as part of the primary grades, it should be planned for and kept with the first two grades. Consequently any adjustment needed in Grade III should be part of the plan involving adjustments in Grades I and Grade II, and pre-primary grade.

UPPER PRIMARY SCHOOLS

The upper primary schools, Grades IV, V and VI have "carried on" with the finest of spirit. In the Cobb School, the staff of five teachers finished the school year in June with a very good record, as shown by the results of the annual achievement

tests, which were generally above the National Norms. During the summer, three of these teachers left for new position. The new teachers who take their places have all made excellent starts toward strong teaching careers. Our schools are not losing ground unduly, due to the energy and courage of these young teachers.

Maple Avenue teaching staff has again done a very fine job, with a quiet competence which deserves commendation.

The High School program and work is going forward with renewed vigor under the leadership of Mr. Moran. Many features are mentioned in his report, to which you are respectfully referred.

The needs of the High School all center around proper equipment for Shop for boys, Cooking and Sewing laboratories for girls, and better Science laboratories for biology, physics and chemistry. Equally important is the Guidance program which is still in the beginning stages. This needs especial attention, which Mr. Moran is planning to give it.

TEACHING STAFF—OUR TOUGHEST PROBLEM

The past year has been one long effort to keep our teaching staff at high levels of professional preparation and successful work. The present teacher shortage is due especially to the falling off candidates available in the teacher training institutions, and the inductments of higher starting salaries in many towns and cities where living conditions are more alluring than in Kingston. This is a factor as strong as the high salaries and wages offered in defense industries, and the attraction of service with the armed forces, as WAVES, WAC, etc. to produce the shortage.

MRS MARY L. CHANDLER

We record with deep regret the passing of Mrs. Mary L. Chandler, of Main Street, Kingston. When the need for teachers

became acute Mrs. Chandler returned to active teaching in Kingston's schools, in addition to her busy life in civic and home activities. She did this arduous work, from a sense of duty and partnership with the young children in the shaping of their lives. Every day was carefully planned and every lesson vividly taught. Often she gave more of her precious energy than she should. Her pupils responded with an eagerness that is rare indeed, and is the goal and mark of a master-teacher. Her buoyancy and courage were never-failing, and were always an inspiration and a joy to her teaching associates. Her quiet ways and modest charm were in New England's finest traditions. We all miss her, but she has left a high standard and model for all to reach.

TEACHER CHANGES—FOR THE RECORD

In January, Mr. Raymond G. McCarthy was granted a leave of absence from his position of Principal of Kingston High School, to undertake important social service work in New Haven Conn. In June he resigned his position in Kingston. His activities and capable work were missed by all his associates and pupils. He is followed by our best wishes.

During the summer Mr. Francis M. Moran was elected to the Principalship of the Kingston High School, from a number of candidates. Mr. Moran was a former teacher in Kingston, respected and liked by all. He has undertaken his duties with energy and clear common sense, continuing without much change the policies and customs established in the past. With his many duties, he is continuing the policy of developing the guidance program in Kingston High School. This program should be successful in helping our students to better understand their own capabilities and their possibilities and plans for adult living.

Miss Ellen Mercer, teacher of History in the High School was granted military leave of absence in November, to enter service in the WAVES. Her teaching duties are filled for the present by Miss Edna Matta, of Brockton, a graduate of Bridgewater Teachers College.

Mrs. Mary Eldredge, teacher of Domestic Science and other subjects in the High School resigned to resume her duties in her home. Miss Mary C. Sullivan, of Worcester, graduate of Framingham Teachers College, was elected to this position, where she is doing some very fine work.

Miss Irma Wrenn, of Quincy, and teacher of Grade V in Cobb School, resigned during the summer to accept a position in Rockland. Miss Ida De Mascio, also of Quincy, and graduate of Bridgewater Teachers College was elected to this position, where she is doing very satisfactory work.

Miss Anastasia Stathos, of Cambridge, resigned her position as teacher of Grade IV, Cobb School to accept a position in Winchester. Miss Ethel Nicholson, of Quincy and a graduate of Bridgewater Teachers College was elected to this position where she also is doing very fine work.

Miss Shirley Goldsmith of Plymouth resigned from the Grade III position in Cobb School to be married. Miss Catherine Barratta of Plymouth, and graduate of Bridgewater Teachers College, with one year of experience in western Massachusetts, was elected to this position, where she too is doing very good work.

Miss Margaret Gillis of Plymouth, who had been assigned to Grade II, Howland's Lane School was granted Military leave of absence to enter service in the WAVES. Her position is being filled by Miss Barbara Haley, of Winchester, graduate of Lowell State Teachers College, where she is making a strong beginning to a teaching career.

Mrs. Lucy Rae, of Plymouth was engaged to fill the gap caused by the sickness and resignation of Mrs. Chandler, in the Howland's Lane School, Grades I and II. She has capably fitted into the entire situation and is proving a valuable teacher.

LUNCH PROGRAM

Elsewhere will be found detailed comment on the lunch-room program for Elementary and Secondary schools. This is proving one of the most important new features to protect, safeguard and build up the health of our students. By all means, it should be retained and improved in every way possible.

ARTS PROGRAM—VITALIZED

The new program in Music is bearing excellent fruit, due to the conscientious work of Miss Antoinette Garrett in all divisions of elementary and secondary grades, both in vocal and instrumental music. Her Music Appreciation program is proving effective in teaching pupils how to listen to music with discrimination.

The Art program is equally interesting and important, for it helps the student to think and create visually. It is closely intergrated with classroom work in each grade. Mrs. Stratton is also improving the appreciation of art by our students by short well planned units.

KINGSTON'S POST-WAR SCHOOLS

Amongst the post-war civic and memorial enterprises, new schools for the coming generations are very important.

It is generally realized throughout Kingston, that the town has outgrown most of the educational facilities afforded by its present school plant. There are two very serious shortages in plant, which limit the types of school activities:

A. Kingston needs a new high school building with many increased facilities for education on "intermediate levels (junior high school), and for "upper secondary levels" (senior high school) education.

B. Kingston also needs, with equal desperation, much increasing of elementary school facilities. (I-VI.)

This means immediate, and most careful planning, of a building program, complete and flexible enough to fully provide for all foreseeable needs of education of the present and probable population.

NEW SCHOOL PLANT A SOLUTION

Kingston is being called on to consider building a centralized school plant, for a modern type of school program, aided and advised by the best educational and architect's advice obtainable, and to be built as soon as the town determines conditions are right.

Three distinct steps are necessary in long range planning: (1) The educational plans for various levels of learning. (2) Acquiring the land for the school site. (3) Erection of buildings which will house the various facilities needed.

NEW SCHOOL—PLANNING PROCEDURE

Kingston needs to plan for its schools, and their future, in terms of many years. The entire public must be fully acquainted with as many phases as possible. The FIRST step is THE PLAN for the functions of our schools, definite, comprehensive, and flexible to the changing needs of our children. The SECOND step is the acquisition of enough land to carry out the physical housing of the plan. The THIRD step is the erection of buildings which will be durable, economical to operate, and flexible to meet all foreseeable needs as they arise. Further, the plant should be available to as many adult, civic, patriotic, and social groups as possible.

In preparing THE PLAN, it is highly desirable that the Town of Kingston secure outside Educational Advisors to aid in preparing the most desirable and comprehensive plan for the

town. Such services are available, and funds should be made available to the Committee charged with preparing the plan to employ such a person, or persons. In this way the soundest possible advice can be secured.

My thanks and gratitude are extended to all who have aided through their fine professional spirit and cooperation to keep our schools so high in their service to the children and youth. This tribute is especially due in these trying war years, when so much of our future is at stake.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES W. LAWRENCE.

Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THE HIGH SCHOOL.

December 31, 1944

Mr. Charles W. Lawrance
Superintendent of Schools
Kingston, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Lawrance:

By reason of my recent appointment as principal of Kingston High School it is necessary that my report be one of reporting items of interest from records left by Mr. McCarthy and Miss Oliver, as well as what has been accomplished since September, when my appointment took effect. Included also in this report will be some of my plans for the coming year.

ENROLLMENT

Kingston High School										December 31, 1944
Grade	7-11	7-12	8-14	8-26	9	10	11	12	Total	
Boys	11	4	10	14	8	15	10	14	86	
Girls	19	6	10	14	14	23	10	17	113	
Total	30	10	20	28	22	38	20	31	199	

A quick glance at the above chart will show that the enrollment at Kingston High School has decreased slightly when compared with the records of previous years. The above total, 199, is a decrease of 4% over last year's total of 206. However, an investigation of the elementary schools' enrollment shows only

one class in the six grades with less than 45 pupils, with a high of 57 in this year's first grade. From these figures it is evident that a serious housing shortage will be felt in our High School in the next few years and must be taken into consideration in our plans for the future.

The effects of war are felt keenly in the high schools of America. The most obvious of these are the shortages of teachers, materials, and services. A less obvious, yet equally important effect, is the serious emotional and psychological reactions which are being experienced by the youth at the high school level.

This takes the form of the much publicized juvenile delinquency, of which Kingston has very little, and the tendency to leave school and take advantage of wartime jobs or join the armed forces. The need for guidance of these young people has become just as important as the academic preparation for work or college. It is the goal of our school to determine, in so far as possible, the educational, emotional, social, and occupational needs and aptitudes of our pupils. To aid in this program tests of vocational interest, mechanical aptitudes, and social adjustment have already been administered to the eleventh and twelfth grade. In addition the Iowa Tests of Educational Development have been scheduled for the latter part of January. These tests are an attempt to evaluate the educational offering of our school, with the intention of improving our knowledge of the strengths and weaknesses of our program. A necessary adjunct to the above testing program is the individual counseling which at present has to be done through the principal's office. It is hoped that our guidance program may be enlarged to include a parttime guidance teacher whose program will include an opportunity for testing, guidance counseling, and some teaching, especially a class in occupational information, presently being given at the ninth grade level by the social studies teacher.

The usual high school program has been conducted under some difficulties. In addition to the basic subject offerings, Pre-Induction courses in Electricity and Radio are being taught in

the Science Department. Pre-Flight Aeronautics has been bypassed this year, but will be taught next year to the twelfth grade where its course content seems more suitable. The value of these Pre-Induction courses has already been proven by the experiences of our graduates in the armed forces. A new course in psychology is being planned for the second half year of the Senior Homemaking class, as well as a half year course in advanced shop for those boys who are able to fit it into their schedule. The use of the half year course in a school our size makes possible a much more varied curriculum without increasing the number of teachers required.

The students of Kingston High School have been able to carry on their extra curricular program, though at times the outlook was not too promising. Football was again tried this fall and experienced one of its most successful teams under the able coaching of Mr. Antone Spath. The future of football in a school our size must, of necessity, be a year-to-year program, depending each fall upon the number of candidates who report. We found ourselves one of the few schools of our size on the South Shore which has been able to support a team. Some schools are trying to revive the six-man type of game which lends itself much more suitably to our enrollment. Girls' hockey also carried on a limited schedule during the fall season.

Basketball was well supported this past year and the new season is again in operation, with our home games being played at the Reed Community Building. Wartime transportation restriction are felt much more keenly in this sport because of the extensive schedule and the fact that both boys' and girls' teams play the same schedule. The problem of coaching the girls' team due to the resignation of the regular coach, Miss Ellen Mercer, who entered the Waves, has been solved temporarily by enlisting the aid of one of our graduates, Miss Irene Zona.

Last spring the baseball season saw Kingston without its usual team. The possibility of a team this coming Spring will

depend largely upon conditions which at present are impossible to foresee.

The record of the Kingston schools in support of the various war agency appeals is one of which we can truly be proud. For the period from January 1 to December 31, 1944, the High School students purchased a total of \$3,773.60 in war bonds and stamps. Throughout most of the year our school has maintained better than 90% participation and was permitted to fly the Minute Man Flag. Support of the Red Cross, War Fund, and Milkweed Drive was equally enthusiastic.

The student council was revived after a lapse of a year. The new council has been very active and shows promise of a successful year, having already sponsored the most successful magazine drive in the history of the school. The proceeds of the drive have been used to purchase a new combination slide projector and opaque projector and a supply of dance records for use at school dances. The council also conducted the Milkweed drive which furnished valuable capok for the armed services.

The school lunch program has operated very successfully during the past year under the W. F. A. program. This program was very ably directed by Miss Dorothy W. Oliver of the high school commercial department, to whom we are indebted for many long hours of painstaking work. A total of 46,087 complete lunches were served and the per cent of the total school pupil population taking advantage of these planned nutritious lunches is increasing daily. The high school branch of the lunch project has a parttime cook and helper who are able to handle our situation very capably with some student help. The large number of pupils participating in this program has made it necessary for us to use the assembly hall as a cafeteria. This adds to our already serious room shortage, but seems to be the only solution to the problem.

The third wartime graduation program of Kingston High School was held at the Reed Community Building on Wednesday,

June 14. The Anne White Washburne scholarship was awarded to Miss Evelyn Pires, a graduate in the class of 1943, who is continuing her studies at Massachusetts State College. The Parent Teachers Association scholarship was awarded to Miss Lillian Tassinari, who enrolled at Bridgewater State Teachers College. Miss Kathleen Mahler was awarded a partial scholarship by the Katherine Gibbs Secretarial School in Boston. The D. A. R. Good Citizen Award was given to Miss Helen Bailey of the graduating class. It is significant to note that every one of the nine boys graduated last June is now in the armed services. Of the fifteen girls who were graduated seven have gone on to advanced training in college or nursing school.

In closing I would like to say that I was very fortunate in succeeding such an able administrator as Mr. Raymond G. McCarthy. Much of the work carried on during the past few months has been made easier due largely to his efficient organization. I am also very fortunate in inheriting a very cooperative and well trained staff of teachers. May I extend my thanks to you and the School Committee for your understanding and sympathetic support which is so necessary to the successful operation of any school.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS M. MORAN.

Principal.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

December 30, 1944

Mr. Charles W. Lawrance
Superintendent, Kingston Schools

Dear Sir:

I hereby submit the following report of the Health work carried on in the Kingston Schools for the year ending December 22, 1944.

Number children examined in 1944	475
By Oscar C. Swope, School Physician	
Number School calls made by School Nurse	700
Number Home calls made by School Nurse	650
Census, 1944, under 5 years to 21 years	866
Number Children entering school September 1945	38
Number State children, 4. Two with Mrs. Palardy, off Brook St., and two with Mrs. Wade, Elm St. All attend school.	

Patricia White, a State child, was adopted by Mrs. Marion Harnish, Pembroke St., 1944. The child is in Maple Avenue School, Grade 5.

Joan Robinson, a City child, was adopted by Mrs. Ralph Santoro, May Avenue. The child is in Cobb School, Grade 4.

Number crippled children	4
Number mentally handicapped	2

William Paul, eight years old, who is a physically handicapped boy was taken to the State Wrentham School for treatment, July 1944. He is improving.

Number of children attending the free Dental Clinic, supported by the Kingston Board of Health	95
Number children attending the Diphtheria Clinic held in May, which is also supported by the Kingston Board of Health	22
There were 75 notices sent out and I consider the per cent very low. I regret that more people do not feel any interest in the work which, however, will soon become a state law.	
Number of children attending the Round-up for children entering school September 1944	40
Number of new cases of flat foot	22

A.T. B. Clinic was held in October 1944 for the second and third grades. Seventy-two children were given the Skin Test. There were two positive reactions. These were X-rayed and found to be negative.

There are 48 pupils in the School System wearing glasses. The Massachusetts Vision Test will be given January 1945. 9-10-11. The first and second grade children were given the Eye Test in October. All were found normal.

The Elementary Grades have had an inspection each month by the Nurse.

There has been no epidemic of contagious diseases this year.

Respectfully submitted,

EMMA J. MANGE,

School Nurse.

REPORT OF SCHOOL DENTIST

November 21, 1944

Dear Miss Mange:

The Kingston Dental School Clinic for 1944 has been most successful. The children all seem to understand its importance. A very few were difficult and refused to have work done. The higher grades showed a decided improvement in the care of their teeth. Many parents are taking their children to the dentist showing that the lesson has been learned.

There are 95 children, 5 perfect mouths, and a few wished only to be checked as what was needed to be done. We filled 204 cavities with amalgam, 66 cavities with cement and 7 with gutta-percha. I feel that the clinic is proving to the children and their parents the grave necessity of giving more care and attention to their mouths.

Sincerely yours,

GEORGE W. BOSWORTH, D. D. S.

SCHOOL CENSUS

October 1, 1944

	Boys	Girls	Total
Persons under 5 years of age	125	107	232
Persons 5 years of age and under 7 years	41	43	84
Persons 7 years of age and under 10 years	173	183	356
Persons 10 years of age and under 21 years	106	85	191
	<u>445</u>	<u>418</u>	<u>863</u>

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS

September 1943 to June 1944

	Grades 1-6	Grades 7-12
Pupils Enrolled	245	207
Average Membership	236	202
Average Attendance	218	193
Per cent of Attendance	92.4	95.5

SCHOOL MEMBERSHIP

October 1

Grade	1914	1913	1912	1911	1910	1909	1908	1907	1906	1905
1	57	36	47	39	32	10	37	42	43	54
2	38	45	36	43	37	35	40	38	51	52
3	49	38	48	37	41	38	42	19	57	54
4	18	45	35	39	36	15	50	52	47	51
5	45	36	41	38	36	49	51	51	50	44
6	46	37	35	48	47	60	53	18	13	37
7	41	47	53	52	49	46	51	45	36	35
8	46	29	42	38	45	51	42	36	32	27
9	23	40	29	44	42	32	35	35	33	33
10	39	28	39	37	30	36	31	26	29	24
11	23	35	31	24	25	25	19	22	15	29
12	31	24	21	25	25	21	19	20	26	29
Ungraded								19	16	36
	<u>486</u>	<u>440</u>	<u>457</u>	<u>464</u>	<u>455</u>	<u>481</u>	<u>473</u>	<u>453</u>	<u>481</u>	<u>492</u>

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR 1944

	Appropriation March 1944	Expended 1944	Requested Budget 1945
Expense of Instruction			
Teachers' Salaries	\$32,435.00	\$31,871.70	\$35,250.00
Substitutes	300.00	160.00	250.00
Supervisors	1,400.00	1,178.75	1,800.00
Janitors' Wages	3,079.00	4,004.25	4,134.00
Supt. and Clerk	2,296.16	2,296.16	2,296.16
Nurse	936.00	936.00	990.00
School Physician	300.00	300.00	300.00
Maintenance:			
Books and Supplies—High	1,500.00	1,586.95	1,500.00
Books and Supplies—Elem.	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
Janitors' Supplies and Light	750.00	807.20	825.00
Shop and Lab.	225.00	194.50	325.00
Repairs	1,200.00	1,634.11	1,500.00
Fuel	2,600.00	2,705.62	2,665.00
Transportation	3,650.00	3,733.50	3,914.00
Typewriter Repairs, etc.	150.00	130.50	250.00
Auxiliary Agencies:			
Health—Travel and Supplies	125.00	127.59	135.00
Supt.—Travel, Supplies			
Census, Graduation Expense	325.00	311.41	315.00
Telephone	210.00	204.78	210.00
Bond	10.00		
New Equipment	450.00	426.79	450.00
Lunch Room Wages	2,000.00	1,952.88	2,000.00
	<u>\$56,431.16</u>	<u>\$56,362.58</u>	<u>\$60,609.16</u>
Reimbursements:			
Massachusetts School Fund Part I		\$3,690.00	
Tuition State and City Wards		701.37	
Other Tuition		36.21	
Miscellaneous Receipts		34.10	
		<u>\$4,461.68</u>	
Net Cost to Town		<u>\$51,900.90</u>	

MEMBERSHIP, OCTOBER 1, 1944

School	Gr.	Age																	Total
		5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19			
Howland's Lane	1	4	36	17													57		
	2		1	26	8												28		
	3			2	22	10	1	1									36		
Cobb	4				2	21	2	6									31		
	5					6	20	6	1	3	1						35		
	6						1	15	1	1	3	1					25		
Maple Avenue	3				11	2											13		
	4			1	3	7	2			1							14		
	5					2	5	1	1								9		
High	6						2	15	4								21		
	7-11							5	19	6	1						36		
	7-12							1	5		2	2	1				11		
	8-11							1	6	6	5	1					21		
	9-25								1	15	6	3					25		
	9								3	11	9						23		
	10									10	18	10	1				39		
	11									8	13	2					23		
12										1	7	18	4	1		31			
Total		1	10	46	46	51	33	49	39	31	46	47	31	21	4	1	486		

KINGSTON SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Pupils Neither Absent nor Tardy

September, 1943—June 16, 1944

High School

Alice Bradford
Pauline Myrick
Juanita Burgess
James Everett
Porter Loring
Rita Valerani

Ethel Finney
Edward Stanghellani
Hueston Collingwood
Dorando Anderson
Robert Gibbs
Betty Burgess

Cobb School

Monica Malaguitta

Cynthia Rossi

John Cram

Maple Avenue

Richard Balboni

KINGSTON HIGH SCHOOL

Class of 1944

GRADUATION EXERCISES

Wednesday Evening, June Fourteenth

Nineteen Hundred Forty-four

at Eight o'clock

Reed Community Building

Kingston, Massachusetts

ADAMS PRIZES

Kathleen Mahler
Dorothy Mark
Phyllis Prouty
Carol Adamson
Adele Myrick

Robert Loring
John Caulfield
Mendall Thompson
Robert Zinsius
Louis Borghesani

WASHINGTON AND FRANKLIN AWARD

for excellence in study of United States History

to

Kathleen Mahler

D. A. R. GOOD CITIZENSHIP AWARD

to

Helen Bailey

Class Motto: Dare to Venture, Hope to Win

Class Colors: Royal Blue and White

GRADUATING CLASS

June 14, 1944

*Helen Reed Bailey	Helen Keith
Morton Black	Jean Louise Lootz
Norman Bouchard	*Robert Cushman Loring, Jr.
John Franklin Caulfield	*Kathleen Mahler
Jane Lee Chandler	Barbara Lesley Merry
William Robert Davison	*Joyce Elaine Mitchell
Lorraine Dorothy Facchini	Mary Louise Pires
Barbara Louise Gallerani	James Robert Post
Lucille Helen Galletti	Phyllis Alden Prouty
Ann Herget	Betty Ann Schneider
Wallace Cushman Holmes	Lillian Mary Tassinari
Edgar Francis Keene	Mario Vincent Vernazzaro

* Honor Group

Raymond G. McCarthy, Principal
Charles W. Lawrance, Superintendent

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT 1945

We are pleased to list the transfers made from our Reserve Fund to the various town departments during the year 1944. You will notice that a large portion of the amount transferred was to the Forest Fire Department. This was occasioned by the great number of Forest Fires during the extremely dry summer of 1944. The town was reimbursed in the amount of \$2,144.17 from the N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co. for the largest fire of the year, which occurred during the latter part of May. Credit should be given to the proper town officials whose diligent manner in proceeding with the claim made possible this collection.

Transfers

June 7, 1944—Forest Fire Dept.	\$2,000.00
July 5, 1944—Forest Fire Dept	300.00
Aug. 1, 1944—Finance Committee	10.00
Sept. 6, 1944—Town Clerk	50.00
Sept. 6, 1944—Forest Fire	450.00
Dec. 7, 1944—Dog Officer	2.00
Dec. 20, 1944—Health	50.00
Dec. 20, 1944—Tree Warden	50.00
Dec. 20, 1944—Snow Removal	40.00
Total	\$2,952.00
Balance	48.00
Total Fund	\$3,000.00

During the year your Finance Committee joined the Association of the Town Finance Committees; an organization whose membership lists some eighty-two towns, east of Worcester. We are faithfully attending the meetings in Boston and are pleased to report that to the present time, much information has been obtained which in our opinion is very valuable. We are also kept in constant touch with municipal questions and problems as they unfold throughout the State. We sincerely hope

that future Finance Committees in our town continue this membership and maintain an active interest in its activities.

The financial condition of our town is excellent; the total indebtedness as of January 1, 1945 being \$9,000.00. This is the smallest Town debt for a number of years.

In addition, due to curtailment of material and supplies and other factors, many officials and Town Departments were unable to use their entire budgets. As a result they turned back into the treasury such (unexpended balances), for which the citizens should be grateful. Because of this and other contributing factors, the excess and deficiency balance is unusually high. We are, therefore, in a position to face coming problems with a degree of reasonable confidence.

We would be remiss in our duty, however, if we failed to call attention to the fact that our town is faced with at least two major problems, namely, our school plant and water supply and mains. Fortunately, these problems are not being neglected as the departments involved have already started long range planning in that direction. Your Finance Committee has encouraged this during the past year and has given considerable time to the discussion of these problems.

Your officials have administered the Town affairs in a safe, sane and businesslike manner with the best interests of the Town always in mind; for that, and for their continued co-operation with us, we are most appreciative.

Respectfully submitted,

ORFEO H. SGARZI, Chairman
LAWRANCE W. BAILEY, Secretary
FRED L. BAILEY
ORRIN G. COLLEY
ARNOLD FACCHINI
MYRON S. HOLMAN
RICHARD W. LORING
JOSEPH R. McMANUS
RICHARD W. O'BRIEN.

TOWN OF KINGSTON

MASSACHUSETTS

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

OF THE

FINANCE COMMITTEE

TO THE

Annual Town Meeting, 1945

Together with a Copy of the Warrant Articles
and Accompanying Recommendations.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

To the Voters of Kingston:

This year we have prepared the budget items in an unusual manner; columns showing the average expenditure of each item for 1941, 1942 and 1943. The actual expenditure for 1944 and your Finance Committee recommendation for 1945. This shows a five year picture of all items involved. You will also notice the percentage of recommended total as applicable to the items in group form. We sincerely hope you will find this arrangement convenient and helpful.

Following the budget report we have computed the 1945 tax rate as accurately as possible if our recommendations are carried. This computation involves some uncertainties such as the State Tax. This is a tax which has been levied annually by the State against cities and towns. We have been informed by authoritative sources that this tax would be repealed by the State Legislature prior to the beginning of the State fiscal year, which is July 1, 1945. We have herefore not included this amount in our computation.

Two major problems which have confronted our town for many years appear for discussion and decision in the Warrant. The School Department is asking for an appropriation to purchase a portion of the late Alexander Holmes property on Main Street for future school use. We have recommended this with the money to come from the Surplus Cash fund. This appears to be a desirable piece of property for the Town to own and because of its central location, size and landscaping, should be adequate for any future school needs.

We have also recommended the article submitted by the Water Commissioners to install a large well and pump at the Town water property together with the laying of large water mains from that point to South Street and along Main Street as far south as Crescent Street. This project should produce a more desirable distribution of water for a large number of residents. The cost of this work is \$75,000 and we recommend a bond issue to be repaid in ten years at \$7,500 each year.

Also favored is the laying of approximately 6000 ft. of 10 in. water pipe starting from South Street and running along Wapping Road. This is a part of a future plan to extend water service further in that section of our Town. The cost of this Article is \$15,000 and we have recommended that this amount be appropriated from this year's tax levy.

Because of the size and nature of the amounts requested in this year's warrant we have given these problems careful and detailed study and discussion. Our decisions have been based on the future welfare of our community and also so the greatest good to the greatest number would prevail.

We sincerely hope you will follow our recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

ORFEO H. SGARZI, Chairman
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FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS ON WARRANT ARTICLES

Art. 4. To see if the town will vote to fix the salaries of elected officers.

We recommend that under Article 4 the Salaries for the elected officers shall be fixed as follows:

Moderator	\$25.00
Town Clerk	200.00
Treasurer	600.00
Collector	700.00
Chairman of Selectmen	275.00
Other Selectmen, each	137.50
Chairman of Board of Health	165.00
Other Members of Board of Health, each ..	27.50
Chairman of Board of Public Welfare	385.00
Other Members of Public Welfare, each....	110.00
Chairman of Board of Assessors	900.00
Other Assessors, each	300.00
Water Commissioners, each	50.00

Art. 5. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges.

BUDGET 1945

	Average Expended 1941-42-43	Finance Com. Recom. Expended 1944	Finance Com. Recom. Expended 1945
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:			
7.62% of Total			
1. Moderator, Salary	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
2. Selectmen, Salaries and Expenses	1,077.66	1,055.55	983.00
3. Accountant and Auditor	2,295.18	2,227.07	1,842.00
4. Treasurer and Collector	2,789.09	2,607.50	2,708.50

5. Tax Title Foreclosures		18.75	200.00
6. Assessors	1,671.69	1,847.56	1,900.00
7. Town Clerk	399.10	595.46	659.50
8. Election and Registration	483.84	691.41	488.00
9. Finance Committee	3.33	15.18	20.00
10. Town House Maintenance	1,353.12	1,950.87	2,465.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY:

11.25% of Total

11. Police Maintenance	1,413.41	1,476.89	4,683.00
12. Dog Officer	54.33	52.00	50.00
13. Shellfish	521.26	236.53	350.00
14. Harbor Master	25.55	3.53	50.00
15. Fire Department—Maintenance	3,749.43	4,553.91	4,992.56
16. Sealer of Weights and Measures	252.84	292.14	300.00
17. Suppression of Moths	1,039.01	856.30	1,325.00
18. Tree Warden	20.63	135.90	500.00
19. Forest Fire—Prevention and Extinguishment	1,471.77	3,949.63	1,500.00
20. Forest Fires—Truck			2,000.00
21. Bounties on Seals	7.33	11.00	22.50
22. Insurance Municipal Buildings and Property	1,732.62	1,682.61	1,600.00
23. Insurance Workmen's Compensation	401.42	401.03	100.00
24. Defense	355.02	236.04	

HEALTH AND SANITATION:

1.42% of Total

25. Health	1,631.14	1,646.89	2,030.00
26. Inspector of Animals	150.00	150.00	150.00
27. Inspector of Slaughtering	50.00	50.00	50.00

HIGHWAYS:

9.74% of Total

28. Ordinary Repairs, Salary of Supt. and Care of Bldg. and Lot for Equip. and Painting White Lines on Streets	6,851.43	7,456.60	7,805.00
29. Road Machinery, Road Machinery Fund	2,133.85	1,739.28	1,800.00
30. Street, Direction and Danger Signs	56.85	79.50	150.00
31. Snow Removal Including Maintenance of Fences and Sanding Roads	2,243.85	2,536.86	2,500.00
32. Street Lighting	2,771.96	2,656.67	2,883.00

CHARITIES:

18.94% of Total

33. Public Welfare—Administration	1,061.61	1,096.01	1,105.00
34. Public Welfare—General Relief	7,400.70	4,246.88	5,500.00
35. Aid to Depend. Children—Admin.	552.00	80.50	100.00
36. Aid to Depend. Children—Assist.	1,464.48	1,440.10	1,650.00
37. Old Age Assistance—Admin.	245.90	640.02	750.00
38. Old Age Assistance—Assist.	16,684.17	17,895.37	19,500.00
39. Soldiers' Relief	765.07	84.80	500.00

SCHOOLS:

41.78% of Total

40. Schools—Including Salaries, Maintenance, Ordinary Repairs and School Lunches—Labor Only	48,436.76	56,362.58	60,609.16
41. Vocational Education		354.37	400.00
42. Retirement Pay for Teachers		163.63	165.00

LIBRARY:

.08% of Total

43. Library—From Dog Fund	515.24	495.16	531.83
44. Library—From Tax Levy	1,162.82	1,244.87	1,368.17
TOTAL	1,678.06	1,740.03	1,900.00

RECREATION AND UNCLASSIFIED:

4.5% of Total

45. Playground Maintenance	2,559.18	2,712.45	2,792.00
46. Playground—Extraordinary Repairs to Bldg.		43.00	250.00
47. Parks	125.83	75.00	125.00
48. Town Green and War Memorial Plot	7.63	65.51	75.00
49. Care of Other Municipal Property	30.40		25.00
50. Observance of Memorial and Armistice Days	156.77	125.68	200.00
51. County Aid to Agriculture	100.00	100.00	100.00
52. Town Reports—Preparation and Distribution	460.44	587.35	750.00
53. Legal Expenses and Contingencies	146.81	411.65	600.00
54. Census			200.00
55. Reserve, from Overlay Surplus			1,500.00
56. Reserve, from Tax Levy			2,000.00
TOTAL	2,141.19	2,952.00	3,500.00

ENTERPRISES:

4.64% of Total

57. Water Department — Maintenance	6,087.51	5,925.01	6,650.00
58. Water Department—Equipment		200.00	200.00
59. Water Department—Survey of Fix- tures			300.00
60. Alewife Committee	25.08	57.06	60.00

MATURING DEBT AND INTEREST:

.03% of Total

61. Maturing Debt	5,666.66	7,000.00	3,000.00
62. Interest on Maturing Debt	361.58	240.00	157.50
63. Interest—Temporary Loans	89.56		25.00
64. Total Budget Recommendations			\$155,255.59
65. Total Recommended, Special Articles			20,929.99
66. Total, All Recommendations Add:			\$176,215.53
67. Estimated State charges, county taxes, T. B. Hospital, As- sessors' Estimate of Overlay and all other amounts re- quired by law to be raised			15,057.21
68. Grand Total, Recommendations and Estimates			\$191,306.12
69. Deductions to compute estimated tax rate: Estimated receipts, income corporation, gas- oline taxes, from State, motor vehicle excise and other local receipts from other sources than taxation		\$70,000.00 2,052.00	
70. Poll Taxes			72,082.00
71. Estimated balance to be raised by a levy on local real estate and tangible personal prop- erty, other than motor vehicles			\$119,224.12
72. Estimated tax rate based upon above recom- mendation, using previous years valuations (or Assessors' estimate of current year).		\$26.26	

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1945, and to issue a note or notes

therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chap. 44, General Laws.

We recommend Article 6 ought to pass.

Art. 7. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to convey or discharge any interest it may have in and to the land described in a deed or mortgage from August Anderson to the Town, dated July 3, 1935, and recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds, in Book 1688, Pages 415-416, upon such terms as the Board of Selectmen may determine.

We recommend Article 7.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to raise, by loan or otherwise, a sum of money for increasing the water supply system by developing additional wells, installing pipes and pumping station equipment and installing approximately 21,000 feet of water main not less than six inches in diameter, or take any action relative thereto.

We recommend Article 8 with an amount not exceeding \$75,000 and the money to be raised as requested.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the purpose of extending the water main approximately two miles on Wapping Road starting from South Street, or take any action relative thereto.

We recommend Article 9 (only if Article 8 carries) with an appropriation not exceeding \$15,000 (to be taken from the 1945 tax levy) to lay approximately 6,000 feet of 10 in. pipe from South Street along Wapping Road.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of extending water mains

approximately 215 feet, from Gray's Beach to property of Gustavo Guidaboni, also known as the Kennedy Cottages.

We recommend Article 10 ought to pass with an appropriation not exceeding \$300.00.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the purpose of extending the water main approximately 1800 feet on Sylvia Place Road, starting from the corner of the property of Horace C. Weston, to and including the property of Arnold M. and Charlotte Alander, or take any action relative thereto.

Recommendation to come at Town Meeting.

Art. 12. To see if the town will authorize the school committee to acquire by purchase or eminent domain a parcel of land for the purpose of erecting a school house and transfer a sum not in excess of \$10,000.00 from available funds for said property.

We recommend Article 12 ought to pass.

Art. 13. To see if the town will have a committee consisting of the School Committee, and one member to be appointed by the Selectmen, two members to be appointed by the Finance Board, and one member to be appointed by the Moderator, to act as a building committee for the purpose of preparing plans for a new school or school buildings.

We recommend Article 13 ought to pass.

Art. 14. To see if the town will authorize the building committee to employ an architect and an educational adviser to draw up plans for a new school or school buildings, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for employing such services, and for the necessary expenses of the committee.

Recommendation of Article 14 to come at town meeting.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used to install a new boiler or boilers and to make other necessary changes in the heating system of the High School.

We recommend Article 15 ought to pass with an appropriation not exceeding \$2,325.00.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500.00 for the purpose of building and maintaining sidewalks.

We recommend Article 16 ought to pass.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance work and transfer from available funds \$3,000.00 to the account of State and County share, the reimbursement received to be credited back to surplus revenue.

We recommend Article 17.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the purpose of maintaining during the ensuing year the mosquito control works as estimated and certified to by the State Reclamation Board in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 112, Acts of 1931.

We recommend Article 18 ought to pass with an appropriation not exceeding \$300.00.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to transfer the unexpended balance in the Extension of Water Main on Grove Street appropriation, amounting to \$1,234.61 to the appropriation made at the Annual Town Meeting, March, 1944, for the purpose of replacing the 4" water main on Summer Street, from the property of Frederick Nava, 129 Summer Street, to the property of Jane N. Anderson (Houston), 161 Summer Street, with a 6" water main.

We recommend Article 19 ought to pass.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of extending water mains up Grove Street, through Lake Street, or up Pembroke Street (Rte. 27) through Lake Street, whichever deems to be to the best interest of the town.

We do not recommend Article 20.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install approximately 3,000 feet of water main, in land hereinafter described, and to appropriate approximately \$6,750.00 to cover the cost of said installation. Such installation to start on Loring Avenue (which is shown on a plan recorded as "Ah-De-Nah"), connecting to the water main in River Street and to run along Loring Avenue to Arrow Street; thence easterly in Arrow Street about 210 feet to a proposed road to be known as Jones River Drive, which is outlined on a plan attached hereto, in a southerly direction about 300 feet; thence curving to a westerly direction for about 600 feet, thence curving northerly about 10 degrees west and continuing approximately in this direction to River Street, at a point about 600 feet west of the starting point. It is understood that a condition to the granting of this petition is that title holders of property over which these water mains will run will grant a proper easement along the course to be followed in laying the mains.

We do not recommend Article 21.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install approximately 1,200 feet of water main, in land hereinafter described and to appropriate approximately \$2,700.00 to cover the cost of said installation. Such installation to start on Loring Avenue, (which is shown on a plan recorded as "Ah-De-Nah"), connecting to the water main in River Street and to run along Loring Avenue to Arrow Street; thence easterly in Arrow Street about 210 feet to a proposed road to be known as "Jones River Drive", which will be a continuing of Franklin Street; thence along the proposed Jones

River Drive in a southerly direction about 300 feet. It is understood that a condition to the granting of this petition is that title holders of property over which these water mains will run will grant a proper easement along the course to be followed in laying the mains.

We do not recommend Article 22.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$4.99 to pay an unpaid bill of the Playground Department.

We recommend Article 23.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to accept as a town way, the private way now known as Second Brook, beginning at the property assessed to Edna M. Schrager (formerly the Ainsworth property), to property assessed to Ruth D. Northey. (approx. 700 ft.), as laid out by the Selectmen.

We do not recommend Article 24.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to transfer from available funds in the treasury, the sum of \$10,000.00 for the purchase of war bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks, to be added to the Post-War Rehabilitation Fund in accordance with the provision of Chapter 5, Acts of 1943.

We do not recommend Article 25.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote that the following appropriation balance be closed out to Surplus Revenue:

Chap. 90—Wapping Rd.—Maintenance ... \$297.47

We recommend Article 26 ought to pass.

TOWN WARRANT

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

PLYMOUTH, SS.

GREETING:

To either of the Constables of the Town of Kingston:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in town affairs to meet at the TOWN HOUSE on

Saturday, the Tenth Day of March Next, 1945

for the following purposes, viz.:

Art. 1. To choose all necessary Town Officers, the following officers are to be chosen on one ballot—viz: A Moderator, a Town Clerk, a Treasurer, a Collector of Taxes, two Constables, and a Tree Warden, all for one year. One member of the School Committee and one Water Commissioner, each for two years. One Selectman, one Assessor, one member of the Board of Public Welfare, two members of the School Committee, two Trustees of the Public Library, one member of the Playground Commission, and one Water Commissioner, all for three years.

Art. 2. At the close of the Election and after the announcement of the results of the election, the meeting will stand adjourned until MONDAY, the twelfth day of March, following, at 7:00 P. M., at the REED COMMUNITY BUILDING, when such officers are to be nominated from the floor will be chosen.

Art. 3. To hear and act upon the reports of Town Officers.

Art. 4. To fix the salaries of elected officers.

Art. 5. To raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges.

Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to authorize the town treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1945, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chap. 44, General Laws.

Art. 7. To see if the town will authorize the Selectmen to convey or discharge any interest it may have in and to the land described in a deed or mortgage from August Anderson to the Town, dated July 3, 1935, and recorded with the Plymouth County Registry of Deeds, in Book 1688, Pages 415-416, upon such terms as the Board of Selectmen may determine.

Art. 8. To see if the town will vote to raise, by loan or otherwise, a sum of money for increasing the water supply system by developing additional wells, installing pipes and pumping station equipment and installing approximately 21,000 feet of water main not less than six inches in diameter, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the purpose of extending the water main approximately two miles on Wapping Road starting from South Street, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 10. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of extending water mains approximately 215 feet, from Gray's Beach to property of Gustavo Guidaboni, also known as the Kennedy Cottages.

Art. 11. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the

purpose of extending the water main approximately 1800 feet on Sylvia Place Road, starting from the corner of the property of Horace C. Weston, to and including the property of Arnold M. and Charlotte Alander, or take any action relative thereto.

Art. 12. To see if the town will authorize the school committee to acquire by purchase or eminent domain a parcel of land for the purpose of erecting a school house and transfer a sum not in excess of \$10,000.00 from available funds for said property.

Art. 13. To see if the town will have a committee consisting of the School Committee, and one member to be appointed by the Selectmen, two members to be appointed by the Finance Board, and one member to be appointed by the Moderator, to act as a building committee for the purpose of preparing plans for a new school or school buildings.

Art. 14. To see if the town will authorize the building committee to employ an architect and an educational adviser to draw up plans for a new school or school buildings, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for employing such services, and for the necessary expenses of the committee.

Art. 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used to install a new boiler or boilers and to make other necessary changes in the heating system of the High School.

Art. 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$1,500.00 for the purpose of building and maintaining sidewalks.

Art. 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance work and transfer from available funds \$3,000.00 to the account of State and County share, the reimbursement received to be credited back to surplus revenue.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the purpose of maintaining during the ensuing year the mosquito control works as estimated and certified to by the State Reclamation Board in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 112, Acts of 1931.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to transfer the unexpended balance in the Extension of Water Main on Grove Street appropriation, amounting to \$1,234.61 to the appropriation made at the Annual Town Meeting, March, 1944, for the purpose of replacing the 4" water main on Summer Street, from the property of Frederick Nava, 129 Summer Street, to the property of Jane N. Anderson (Houston), 161 Summer Street, with a 6" water main.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of extending water mains up Grove Street, through Lake Street, or up Pembroke Street (Rte. 27) through Lake Street, whichever deems to be to the best interest of the town.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install approximately 3,000 feet of water main, in land hereinafter described, and to appropriate approximately \$6,750.00 to cover the cost of said installation. Such installation to start on Loring Avenue (which is shown on a plan recorded as "Ah-De-Nah"), connecting to the water main in River Street and to run along Loring Avenue to Arrow Street; thence easterly in Arrow Street about 210 feet to a proposed road to be known as Jones River Drive, which is outlined on a plan attached hereto, in a southerly direction about 300 feet; thence curving to a westerly direction for about 600 feet, thence curving northerly about 10 degrees west and continuing approximately in this direction to River Street, at a point about 600 feet west of the starting point. It is understood that a condition to the granting of this petition is that title holders of property over which these water mains will run will grant a proper easement along the course to be followed in laying the mains.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to install approximately 1,200 feet of water main, in land hereinafter described and to appropriate approximately \$2,700.00 to cover the cost of said installation. Such installation to start on Loring Avenue, (which is shown on a plan recorded as "Ah-De-Nah"), connecting to the water main in River Street and to run along Loring Avenue to Arrow Street; thence easterly in Arrow Street about 210 feet to a proposed road to be known as "Jones River Drive", which will be a continuing of Franklin Street; thence along the proposed Jones River Drive in a southerly direction about 300 feet. It is understood that a condition to the granting of this petition is that title holders of property over which these water mains will run will grant a proper easement along the course to be followed in laying the mains.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate \$4.99 to pay an unpaid bill of the Playground Department.

Art. 24. To see if the town will vote to accept as a town way, the private way now known as Second Brook, beginning at the property assessed to Edna M. Schrager (formerly the Ainsworth property), to property assessed to Ruth D. Northey, (approx. 700 ft.), as laid out by the Selectmen.

Art. 25. To see if the town will vote to transfer from available funds in the treasury, the sum of \$10,000.00 for the purchase of war bonds or other bonds that are legal investments for savings banks, to be added to the Post-War Rehabilitation Fund in accordance with the provision of Chapter 5, Acts of 1945.

Art. 26. To see if the town will vote that the following appropriation balance be closed out to Surplus Revenue:

Chap. 90.—Wapping Rd.—Maintenance \$297.47

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

The polls will be opened at 10.00 o'clock A. M. on Saturday, the tenth day of March, and may be closed at 3:00 o'clock P. M., and the adjourned meeting will be opened at 7:00 o'clock P. M. on Monday, the twelfth.

And you are required to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting.

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

Given under our hands this sixth day of February, 1945.

A True Copy. Attest:

WILLIAM M. POST,
JOHN J. MOORE,
PERCY W. BAILEY,

Selectmen of Kingston.

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