ANNUAL REPORTS

of the

Officers, Committees and Public Library

of the

TOWN OF HINSDALE

MASSACHUSETTS



For the Year Ending DECEMBER 31, 1948

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OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Selectmen

HERBERT W. PREW, Chairman Term expires 1948 WILLIAM J. DOHERTY Term expires 1949 ROY C. BARNES Term expires 1950 Town Clerk JOSEPHINE G. COLLINS Term expires 1948 **Tax Collector** ALFRED G. KIRCHNER Term expires 1948 Treasurer DOROTHY B. PELKEY Term expires 1948 Board of Health SELECTMEN Assessors WARREN CULVER Term expires 1948 WILLIAM E. MORGAN Term expires 1949 THERON B. MARSHALL Term expires 1950 **School Committee** JOHN W. McGILL Term expires 1948 HARRY E. FRESHLER Term expires 1949 JOHN R. NAUGHTON, Chairman Term expires 1950 **Auditor** ALLYN W. SMITH Term expires 1948 Tree Warden WILLIAM E. COLLINS Term expires 1948 Sealer of Weights and Measures WILLIAM E. LITCHFIELD Term expires 1948

Superintendent of Schools EARL C. SUITOR

Superintendent of Roads AUGUSTUS MANGUE

Forest Warden MILO KENT

Cattle and Milk Inspector WILLIAM C. STEELE

Inspector of Slaughtering WILLIAM C. STEELE

Cemetery Committee

CHARLES R. COLE
HARRY HICKINGBOTHAM
WILLIAM E. MORGAN
CARL R. MOSEGARD
T. AUGUSTUS FRISSELL
STANLEY RICE
EDWARD W. LYMAN

Term expires 1948 Term expires 1949 Term expires 1950 Term expires 1951 Term expires 1952 Term expires 1953 Term expires 1954

Library Committee

CLINTON J. FRISSELL MRS. EDWARD W. LYMAN JOSEPHINE G. COLLINS Term expires 1948 Term expires 1949 Term expires 1950

Fence Viewers

MONROE WATKINS

GLENN COREY

Field Drivers

KENNETH GROVER

WALTER FASSELL

Trustees of the War Memorial JOHN L. CROSSETT

Measurer of Wood and Bark T. AUGUSTUS FRISSELL

Surveyor of Lumber SUMNER GEER

Constables

FRANK E. BAUMANN	Term expires 1948
HAROLD LEE	Term expires 1948
JAMES ROBINSON	Term expires 1948
THOMAS LeVARDI	Term expires 1948

Board of Finance

THURSTON HOLMES	Term expires 1948
GEORGE F. O'LEARY	Term expires 1948
ANDY MORRISON	Term expires 1948
CARLTON H. PIERCE	Term expires 1949
PHILIP J. MONGEAU	Term expires 1949
GARRETT F. COLLINS	Term expires 1949
SYLVESTER M. LENTO	Term expires 1950
ALBERT D. REINHARDT	Term expires 1950
JAMES E. PELKEY	Term expires 1950

ORDER OF BUSINESS Monday, February 14, 1949

- Art. 1—To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.
- Art. 2—To choose all necessary Officers—The following to be voted for on the Official Ballot, viz:—Town Clerk, for term of one year, one Town Treasurer for three years, one Selectman for a term of three years, one member of the School Committee for a term of three years, one Assessor for a term of three years, one Tax Collector for three years, Auditor, Tree Warden, four Constables for a term of one year, and three members of the Board of Finance Committee for a term of three years, and to appoint a committee of three to bring in a list of all minor Town officers.
- Art. 3-To receive and act upon the report of the Selectmen.
- Art. 4-To receive and act upon the report of the School Committee.
- Art. 5—To raise and appropriate \$52,890.00 for the Schools.
- Art. 6—To raise and appropriate \$8,000.00 for Public Welfare.
- Art. 7-To raise and appropriate \$500.00 for Bridges.
- Art. 8—To raise and appropriate \$5,000.00 for Snow Roads.
- Art. 9-To raise and appropriate \$400.00 for Miscellaneous.
- Art. 10-To raise and appropriate \$2,325.00 for Street Lights.
- Art. 11—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$140.00 for Surety Bonds for the Treasurer, Tax Collector, and Town Clerk.
- Art. 12—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$85.00 for Inspection of Slaughtering.
- Art. 13—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$400.00 for the use of the Tree Warden.
- Art. 14—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for the Hinsdale Free Public Library plus the Dog Tax.

- Art. 15—To accept a List of Jurors as presented by the Selectmen.
- Art. 16—To see if the Town will vote to give the Collector of Taxes the same power Town Treasurers have by law when appointed Collector of Taxes.
- Art. 17—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75.00 for the observance of Memorial Day, and name the Committee to receive the same.
- Art. 18—To determine the salary of the Scaler of Weights and Measures and to raise and appropriate a sum of \$75.00 for the same.
- Art. 19—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of \$350.00 for Workingmen's Compensation.
- Art. 20—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, 1949, 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.
- Art. 21—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$100.00 for Police Protection.
- Art. 22—To see if the Town will vote to constitute the Board of Selectmen, the Board of Welfare for the year of 1950.
- Art. 23—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$6,500.00 for Aid to Dependent Children.
- Art. 24—To see if the Town will vote to have the cash in the Treasury transferred to help defray the expenses of the ensuing year.
- Art. 25—To see if the Town will vote to co-operate with the State Department of Public Works, Division of Highways, relative to the repair of Town Highways under Chapter 81, Acts of 1919, and to raise and appropriate \$2,775.00 for the same.
- Art. 26—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$350.00 to pay interest on notes for the ensuing year.
- Art. 27—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of \$150.00 for Forest Fires.

- Art. 28—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for Road Machinery Account.
- Art. 28—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000.00 for Road Machinery Account.
- Art. 29—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of \$1,000.00 for Reserve Fund.
- Art. 30—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$650.00 for maintenance of the Fire Department.
- Art. 31—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of \$700.00 for Soldiers' Relief.
- Art. 32—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 for the Old Age Assistance, General Laws, Chapter 118A, inserted by the Acts of 1930, Chapter 402.
- Art. 33—To see if the Town will vote to fix the compensation of \$100.00 for the Cattle Inspector, and raise and appropriate the same.
- Art. 34—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of \$300.00 for the upkeep of the Town Cemetery.
- Art. 35—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$900.00 to compensate the Board of Assessors for their Services.
- Art. 36—To see if the Town will vote to pay the Tax Collector one and one half per cent. of the tax levy and \$150.00 for expenses.
- Art. 37—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate a sum of \$100.00 to maintain the Public Dump.
- Art. 38—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the purpose of continuing a Dental Clinic for school children.
- Art. 39—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to apply on notes on Kittridge School.
- Art. 40—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the expenses of Assessors.
- Art. 41—To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$750.00 to subsidize hot noon lunches for the School children.

- Art. 42—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150.00 for the salaries of registrars and their supplies.
- Art. 43—To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$450.00 for the printing of town reports and ballots.
- Art. 44—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for Insurance Premiums.
- Art. 45—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$62.50 for town use of water.
- Art. 46—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$950.00 for Town Hall Maintenance.
- Art. 47—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for Chapter 90 maintenance.
- Art. 48—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 for the administration of all phases of welfare.
- Art. 49—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for maintenance of the road at Plunkett lake that serves the cottages at the lake.
- Art. 50—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$418.95 for Gypsy Moth Control.
- Art. 51—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for Recreation.
- Art. 52—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for the search of tax titles.
- Art. 53—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 as a salary for the Chief of the Fire Department.
- Art. 54—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 to maintain quarters for the Veterans of Foreign Wars.
- Art. 55—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200.00 for the purpose of maintenance of baseball field.

- Art. 56—To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary of the chairman of the board of assessors at \$312.00 per year, effective January 1, 1949.
- Art. 57.—To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary of the secretary of the board of assessors at \$300.00 per year, effective January 1, 1949.
- Art. 58—To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary of the third member of the board of assessors at \$288.00 per year, effective January 1, 1949.
- Art. 59—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,750.00 to pay the salaries of town officers, the tax collector (who is paid on a percentage basis) and election officers.
- Art. 60—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750 for raising the highway at the Causeway and bridge at Ashmere Lake.

 This proposal is with the understanding that the work will be done under Chapter 90, the County contributing \$750.00 and the State \$1.500.00, making a total of \$3,000.00 for the project.
- Art. 61—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 for highway work under Chapter 90 on Windsor Road. This proposal is conditional, depending on the County to subscribe \$1,000.00 and the State \$2,000.00 towards the project. The work will start at the intersection of Windsor Road and Maple Street and continue as far north as the available money will allow.
- Art. 62—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the purchase of a new fire truck at a cost of \$9,800.00. The truck will be paid for by using the \$1,800.00 authorized at a special town meeting, May, 17 1946 under Article 2 of that meeting. The additional \$8,000.00 needed will be subscribed by the issuing of a series of five Town of Hinsdale Notes, each of the notes will fall due, annually, for a period of five years, or \$1,600.00 will be paid each year, over the five year period.
- Art. 63—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000.00 to be used for outside repairs to the Hinsdale Public Library.
- Art. 64—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 to combat Dutch Elm disease.
- Art. 65—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 to spray the dump and river banks as a measure of preventing polio.

- Art. 66—To see if the Town will vote to extend the street lighting system from Shady Villa, through Windsor Road to the home of Earl Campbell. The request calls for three lights at a cost of \$75.00 and to raise and appropriate this sum for the work.
- Art. 67—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the committee in charge of the Maple Street Cemetery to use the \$400.00 realized from the sale of timber for the purpose of general improvement and expansion to the cemetery. This \$400 is the money realized from the sale of timber rights in the North end of Maple Street Cemetery and has been received and deposited in the town treasury.
- Art. 68—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$247.56 for the Berkshire County System.
- Art. 69—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee to plan for a permanent Honor Roll for Hinsdale men and women who served in World War II, said committee to be authorized to decide, with the approval of the selectmen what names shall be placed on said Honor Roll.
- Art. 70—To do and transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

PROPOSED LIST OF JURORS

To be voted on at the Annual Town Meeting to be held on February 14, 1949

Kirchner, Alfred G.	Carpenter
Mathews, Frank	Signalman
Wallin, Carl A.	Proprietor of Bus Line
Rice, Stanley	Barber
Munson, Alfred	Berkshire Street Railway
Bowmann, Frank H.	Janitor
Naughton, John R.	Clerk
Mongeau, Philip J.	Chef
Dam, Victor P.	G. E.
Levernoch, Ralph	Oil Dealer
Mosegard, Carl R.	G. E.
Olds, Howard E.	G. E
Cook, Patrick	G. E.
Morton, Thomas O.	Newspaper Correspondent

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

BERKSHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT SYSTEM

DERESHIRE COUNTY RETIREMENT SI	SIEM
Paid Berkshire County Retirement System	\$435.31
DOG TAX	
July 30 Treasurer of Berkshire County	\$391.20
Dec. 21 Treasurer of Berkshire County	30.00
	\$421.20
FEDERAL GRANTS FOR OLD AGE ASSISTANCE—A	DMINISTRATION
Brought forward Jan. 1, 1948	\$1,011.08
Received during 1948	
July 1, 1947 to Nov. 1, 1947	82.68
Jan. 1, 1948 to July 1, 1948	213.25
	\$1,307.01
PAID OUT OF FEDERAL GRANTS FOR OLD AGE ADMINISTRATION	E ASSISTANCE
July 1 Isabelle A. Flaherty	\$ 56.98
Aug. 20 Isabelle A. Flaherty	22.61
Sept. 10 Pittsfield Typewriter Service, used typewriter	90.00
Dec. 30 Isabelle F. Butler	49.50
	\$219.09
Unexpended	\$1,078.92
CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION—MAPLE STRE	ET BRIDGE
Oct. 28 Warner Brothers Inc.	\$3,898.27
Dec. 30 Warner Brothers Inc.	4,992.73
NOTES	\$8,891.00
Appropriation Kittredge School	\$1,000.00
Nov. 5 Second National Bank of Boston	\$1,000.00
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SPRAYING DUMP	4000 00
Appropriation	\$300.00
Sept. 10 Hewett Chemical Corporation	\$300.00

		STATE PARKS AND RESERVATIONS	
Dec.	31	State Treasurer	\$80.29
		MOSQUITO CONTROL	
Dec.	31	Berkshire County Mosquito Control	\$335 .83
		SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES	
Appro	priat	ion	\$75.00
Dec.		William E. Litchfield	\$75.00
		REAL ESTATE REFUNDS	
Nov.	5	Alma E. Haydock, 1948 \$ 7.25	
2.0.1		Roland Armacost 20.30	
		Fredrick Pomeroy 58.00	
		John G. Phelps 58.00	
			\$143.55
		POLL TAX REFUNDS	
Nov.	5	Edward Lyman, 1948 \$ 2.00	
		Raymond Charland 2.00	84.00
			\$4.00
,		PERSONAL TAX REFUND	
Nov.	5	John E. Conor	\$2.90
		CHECK PROTECTOR FOR TREASURER	
Appro	priat		\$150.00
July	9	The Todd Company Inc.	\$150.00
		FIRE CHIEF	
Appro	priat		\$250.00
		Paid Milo Kent	\$250.00
		PURCHASE OF SNOW FENCE	
Appro	opriet		\$400.00
Apr.		J. D. Foley Supply Co., Fence and posts	\$400.00

TOWN OFFICERS' BONDS	
Appropriation	\$140.00
Mar. 11 Arthur Bowlby, Town Clerk's bond \$ 7.	
Apr. 22 E. H. Pierce & Co.	
Collector and Treasurer Bonds 107.	50
	- \$115.00
WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION	
Appropriation	\$400.00
Arthur Bowlby	\$337.43
TAY COLLECTORS BYDENERS	
TAX COLLECTOR'S EXPENSES Appropriation	\$150.00
Mar. 4 Alfred G. Kirchner	\$150.00
Tanto di Intellici	\$150.00
REPORTING REAL ESTATE CONVEYANCE	
Appropriation	\$184.00
Feb. 20 Attorney LeRoy E. Shaw	\$184.00
DOG TAX REFUND	
July 1 Hinsdale Public Library	\$33 8.90
COUNTY TAX	
Aug. 26 Treasurer of Berkshire County	\$2,522.88
See an arrange of Bornson County	92,022.00
HOT SCHOOL LUNCHES	
Appropriation	\$550.00
Clara Garneau \$437.	80
Gladys Lennon 259.	60
Shirley Lennon 30.	40
	\$727.80
SOLDIERS' RELIEF	
Appropriation	\$500.00
Dec. 29 1948	\$172.00
	\$672.00
Paid	\$676.90
	\$0.0.00

CEMETERIES

		CEMETERIES			
Appro	priat	ion.			\$300.00
Feb.	12	C. A. Pierce & Sons, equipment	\$ 59	9. 2 5	
June	18	William Drosehn		0.00	
		W. E. Morgan		3.00	
Aug.	12	New England Forestry Foundation		0.00	
	26	William Drosehn		0.00	
		William E. Morgan Jr.		0.75	
Nov.	5	Warren Culver, labor		3.00	
		Arnold Rica, labor		6.75	
	11	Warren Culver, labor	-	6.00	
	18	Warren Culver, labor		4.00	
		Arnold Rice, labor		4.50	
Dec.	2	William Drosehn, labor		2.00	
		William E. Morgan, labor		0.00	
	30	C. A. Pierce & Sons, lawn mower		3.00	
		T. A. Frissell, paint and supplies	29	9.75	
					\$300.00
		WELFARE ADMINISTRATION			
Appro	nrist				\$1,200.00
11ppi	priac	*William J. Doherty			\$1,235.00
		*See Treasurers report for refund of \$35.00			
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		PRINTING TOWN REPORTS			
Appro	nriat				\$450.00
Appro	pria	Eagle Printing and Binding Co.			\$326.50
		Dagic I Inting and Smanig Co.			
		TREE WARDEN			
Appro	nrist	ion			\$200.00
Dec.	29	1948			\$64.97
1000.	20				
					\$264 .97
June	3	James Collins, labor	\$:	2.97	
June	J	Edward Kline, labor	1	1.88	
		James Collins, labor		5.84	
		P. J. Butler, labor		3.96	
		William E. Collins, Tree Warden		0.00	
				6 00	
	10	William E. Collins, car		2.00	
	10	William E. Collins, Tree Warden		7.92	
		James Collins, labor		7.92	
		Edward Kline, labor			

July	9	William E. Collins, Tree Warden	\$ 18.00	
G - 4		James Collins, labor	11.88	
Sept.	2	P. J. Butler, labor	1.98	
		David Butler, labor	1.98	
		James Collins, labor	3.96	
Dec.	10	William E. Collins, Tree Warden Dennis McGill, labor	9.00 15.84	
Dec.	10	P. J. Butler, labor	15.84	
		Brague Inc., truck	12.00	
		William E. Collins, Tree Warden	24.00	
	16	Gibbs Tree Service	52.00	
	10	GIOUS Tree Belvice	32.00	\$264 .97
•		GYPSY MOTH CONTROL		
Appro	priat	ion		\$400.00
	•	Allyn W. Smith, Supt. and car	\$212.00	
		Carl R. Mosegard	86.00	
		Thomas LeVardi	12.00	
		Donald Murray	34.00	
		John O'Brien	56.00	
				\$400.00
		HINSDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY		
Appro	priat	ion		\$400.00
		Hinsdale Public Library		\$400.00
		PUBLIC USE OF WATER		
Appro	priat	ion		\$50.00
Dec.	31	1948		\$12.50
				\$62.50
		Hinsdale Fire District		\$62.50
		FIRE DEPARTMENT		
Appro	prist			\$600.00
Dec.		1948		100.00
			-	\$700.00
Jan.	9	L. Harry Brague, Firemen's Insurance	\$43.75	-
	24	T. A. Frissell, supplies	15.59	
Feb.	12	New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	10.82	
		Clifton Bean, mittens	5.80	

		Hinsdale Drug, chemicals	\$ 1.75	
		C. A. Pierce & Sons, oil	161.68	
	20	Detroit Auto Supply Co, batteries	88.82	
		Charles Reylea, trip to Boston	25.00	
Apr.	9	The Justin A. McCarthy Co., fog nozzle	54.00	
rp.	·	C. A. Pierce & Sons, oil	40.63	
Apr.	10	C. A. Pierce & Sons, oil	33.39	•
July	15	New England Tel. & Tel. Co	11.64	
Sept.	23	New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	5.26	
Oct.	10	Alfred G. Kirchner, poll tax refund	44.00	
000.	14	Anthony's Electrical Service, fire siren	7.00	
Nov.	5	New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	7.89	
Dec.	2	Brown Oil Co., oil	65.08	
	10	Western Mass. Electric Co.	29.47	
	16	New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	1.30	
	31	Milo Kent, registration of fire trucks	2.00	
•	0.			\$654.87
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Appro	nriet	FOREST FIRES		\$150.00
Apr.	8	Ralph's Service Station, gas	\$25.89	
.ipi.	Ŭ	Miner's Garage, gas	3.50	
Sept.	30	George O'Leary, dump fire	10.00	
JCP0.	. 00	Donald Blake	10.00	
		Daniel Bean	5.00	
		Clifton Bean	5.00	
		Edward Desotelle	9.00	
		J. Chilson	7.00	
		George Kluckey	4.00	
		Victor Dam	4.00	
		John O'Brien	4.00	
		Michael Coiffie	5.00	
		Normand Charland	2.00	
		Fred Drosehn	2.00	
Oat	10	C. A. Pierce & Sons, gas	1.68	
Oct.	10	Mason's Garage, tire, tube, labor	20.15	
		Ralph's Service Station, gas	8.94	
		Fire Extinguisher Service Co.	4.00	
		Fire Extinguisher Service Co.		\$131.16
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A	44	VETERANS OF FOREIGN WA	ARS	\$500.00
Appro	•			\$250.00
July	12	Veterans of Foreign Wars		Q=00.00

TOWN HALL

Appro Dec.	opriat 29	tion 1948		\$700.00 250.00
			_	\$950.00
Jan.	24	T. A. Frissell, supplies	\$ 9.32	
	27	C. N. Phillips, repairs to burner	16.25	
		Richard Galucia, labor	1.00	
		John M. Anthony, electrical work	20.65	
		New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	15.06	
Feb.	6	Richard Galucia	2.00	
		Frissell's Market, glass	1.75	· ·
		New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	5.79	
		George O'Leary, town meeting	7.00	
		C. A. Pierce, oil	41.65	
	20	. Richard Galucia, labor	2.00	
•	26	John A. Anthony, electrical	7.50	
Mar.	4	Western Mass. Electric Co.	35.31	
	11	C. A. Pierce & Sons, oil	7.40	
	25	The B. F. Goodrich Company, keys	2.65	
Apr.	` 1	The Hinsdale Drug Co., bulbs	90	
		C. N. Phillips, oil burner	4.50	
		Western Mass. Electric Co.	22.08	
	8	New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	15.67	•
		J. M. Anthony, electrical work	29.90	
	15	Frissel's Market, bulbs	1.08	
	22	C. A. Pierce & Sons, oil	2.96	
May	13	New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	8.72	
		Walter Fassell, wood	59.00	
		George O'Leary, primaries	4.00	
		T. A. Frissell, glass	1.70	
	27	Walter Fassell, wood	15.00	
June	10	New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	6.47	
		C. A. Pierce & Sons, oil	20.42	
July	15	New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	13.09	
Aug.	12	T. A. Frissell, sweeping compound	3.00	•
Sept.	16	George O'Leary, primary election	4.00	
	23	New England Tel. & Tel. Co.	22.34	
Oct.	10	James Dowling, labor	2.00	
	14	James Dowling, labor	2.00	
		Conrad Arndt, mowing grass	10.00	
	20	James Dowling, labor	3.00	
Nov.	5	Western Mass. Electric Co.	25 .92	:
		Walter Fassell, wood	45.00	

Dec.	18 2 10 31	New England Tel. & Tel. Co. C. N. Phillips, cleaning burner George O'Leary, preparing for election C. A. Pierce & Sons, oil James Dowling, labor C. N. Phillips, turning off water Wilfred Adams, work during the year	\$ 21.04 5.25 6.00 34.02 2.00 3.50 385.43	
				\$955.32
		WINTER ROADS		
Appro	priat	ion		\$6,000.00
Dec.	29	1948		1,100.00
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			2 49 00	\$7,100.00
Jan.	9	Augustus Mangue, Supt.	\$ 43.00	
		Augustus Mangue, car	10.75 11.70	
		Roy Vosburgh, T. D.	6.00	:
		Steve Zallenski, labor		
		Alfred Walsh, T. D.	. 27.00 10.00	
		Conrad Arndt, labor	235.00	
		Joseph Cormier, truck plowing	103.50	
		Frank Marrier, truck plowing	132.50	
		Carl A. Wallin, truck plowing	19.62	
		Walter Vincent, truck plowing	29.75	
		Conrad Arndt, tractor	34.50	
		Carl A. Wallin, truck plowing	₹80.00	
		Frank Marrier, truck plowing	12.00	
		Anthony Cormier, helper	7.50	
		Ernest Cormier, helper	27.00	
		Clarence Cormier, helper	6.00	
		Fred Cormier, helper		
	16	Augustus Mangue, Supt.	63.00	
		Augustus Mangue, car	15.75	
		Steve Zallenski, labor	12.00	
		Hubert Jenks, helper	20.63	
		Alfred Jenks, T. D.	75.15	
		Anthony Cormier, truck	19.00 40.25	
		Frank Marrier, truck	110.00	
		Walter Vincent, Truck	7.50	
		Ralph Cormier, helper		
		Conrad Arndt, tractor	17.50	
		Carl A. Wallin, truck plowing	133.75	
		Conrad Arndt, labor Harry E. Freshler, truck plowing	8.25 230.00	

		Harry E. Freshler, Jr., helper	\$ 28.50
		George Mason, helper	6.00
		John O'Brien, labor	6.00
	00	•	
	28	Augustus Mangue, Supt.	36.00
		Augustus Mangue, car	9.00
		John O'Brien, helper	12.00
		Alfred Walsh, T. D.	59.85
		Ralph Cormier, helper	6.00
		Walter Vincent, truck plowing	60.00
		Conrad Arndt, tractor	28.00
		Anthony Cormier, truck sanding	16.20
		Carl A. Wallin, truck, no helper	46.00
		Carl A. Wallin, truck	37.50
		Frank Marrier, truck	60.37
		Joseph Cormier, truck	110.00
	27	Commonwealth of Mass., plowing 143	423.83
	29	Augustus Mangue, Supt.	36.00
		Augustus Mangue, car	9.00
		James Robinson, helper	6.00
		John O'Brien, helper	6.00
		Richard Arndt, helper	3.38
		Alfred Walsh, T. D.	66.60
		Milo Kent, labor	17.10
		Joseph Cormier, truck plowing	145.00
		Frank Marrier, truck	106.38
		Conrad Arndt, tractor	26.25
		Carl A. Wallin, truck plowing	70.00
		Walter Vincent, truck plowing	68.00
		Walter Vincent, helper	3.38
		Roy Vosburgh, T. D.	15.00
		Carl A. Wallin, truck plowing	60.38
		William Powell, helper	10.88
		Frank Marrier, error previous week	40.25
Feb.	6	Augustus Mangue, Supt.	35.00
	•	Augustus Mangue, car	8.75
		Alfred Walsh, T. D.	58.05
		John O'Brien, helper	6.00
		Clarence Cormier, helper	6.75
		Joseph Cormier, truck plowing	220.00
		Conrad Arndt, tractor	15.75
		Carl A. Wallin, truck plowing	48.75
		Carl A. Wallin, truck	69.00
		Walter Vincent, truck	16.00
		Frank Marrier, truck	25.00
		Traine Mairier, truck	20.00

\$ 36.00

	13	Augustus Mangue, Supt.	\$ 36.00
		Augustus Mangue, car	9.00
		Edward Guyer, helper	9.75
		Ernest Cormier, helper	6.00
		Walter Vincent, helper	3.00
		Alfred Walsh, T. D.	2 8.83
		Ralph Cormier, helper	9.00
		Conrad Arndt, T. D.	12.60
		Conrad Arndt, tractor	17.50
		Joseph Cormier, truck plowing	95.00
		Frank Marrier, truck plowing	40.00
		Carl A. Wallin, truck plowing	48.88
		Walter Vincent, truck	38.00
		Anthony Cormier, truck	15.20
	20	Hutchinson Sand & Gravel Co., bulldozer	35.00
		Philip Raymond, plowing Blotz Road	68.00
		Augustus Mangue, Supt.	24.00
		Augustus Mangue, car	6.00
		Anthony Cormier, truck	46.00
		Anthony Cormier, truck Anthony Cormier, helper	14.25
		Carl Yakey, helper	36.00
			10.50
		Ralph Cormier, helper	
		Harry E. Freshler, truck plowing	240.00
		Carl A. Wallin, truck	13.75
		Harold Miner, truck	75.00
		Walter Vincent, truck	40.00
		John O'Brien, helper	6.00
		Conrad Arndt, tractor	19.25
		Joseph Cormier, truck plowing	90.00
		Alfred Walsh, T. D.	38.70
		Ernest Orpin, helper	9.00
		Fred Cormier, helper	6.00
		Harold Miner, helper	8.25
		Edward Fox, helper	2.63
Mar.	4	Augustus Mangue, Supv.	34.00
		Augustus Mangue, car	8.50
•		Steve Zallenski, labor	6.00
		Harold Miner, truck plowing	147.50
		William Powell, helper	8.25
		Walter Vincent, truck plowing	74.00
		Conrad Arndt, tractor	29.75
		Joseph Cormier, truck plowing	175.00
		Carl A. Wallin, truck with helper	40.00
		Carl A. Wallin, truck no helper	100.62

		Joseph Fallon, helper	\$ 6.00
		John O'Brien, helper	12.00
		Walter Vincent, helper	26 . 25
		Glen Corey, helper	12.00
		Conrad Arndt, T. D.	31.50
		Frank Marrier, truck	22.50
		William Powell, helper	12.38
		Frank Bowmann, helper	3.38
		Ernest Orpin, helper	19.88
		Anthony Cormier, helper	5.25
		Fred Cormier, helper	4.50
		Everet Smith, helper	4.50
Mar.	11	Augustus Mangue, Supt.	20.00
		Augustus Mangue, car	5.00
		Arthur Moon, Helper	6.00
		Francis Marrier, helper	3.75
		Joseph Fallon, helper	6.00
		Harold Hunt, T. D.	7.20
		Walter Vincent, helper	6.00
		Conrad Arndt, T. D.	7.20
		Carl A. Wallin, truck, no helper	17.50
		Anthony Cormier, truck sanding	16.00
		Joseph Cormier, truck	55.00
		Ralph Cormier, helper	6.00
		Harry E. Freshler, truck plowing	50.00
		Carl A. Wallin, truck, no helper	20.13
		Carl Yakey, helper	7.50
		Fred Cormier, helper	6.00
		Conrad Arndt, tractor	7.00
	25	Augustus Mangue, Supt.	24.00
		Augustus Mangue, car	6.00
		Harold Miner, truck	17.50
•		Carl A. Wallin, truck, no helper	3.75
		Carl A. Wallin, truck, helper	28.75
		Joseph Cormier, truck plowing	70.00
		Walter Vincent, truck	22.00
		Fred Cormier, helper	3.00
		Steve Zallenski, helper	6.00
		Everet Smith, helper	3.00
		Ralph Cormier, helper	6.00
		Conrad Arndt, tractor	10.50
		Harold Hunt, T. D.	36.00
		Conrad Arndt, T. D.	40.50
		Conant Trombley, helper	6.00

Apr.	8	Conant Trombley, labor	\$ 5.63
	26	Town of Washington, plowing Blotz Road	137.50
	•	Steve Zallenski, taking down snow fence	13.60
		Edward Kline, taking down snow fence	13.60
		James McGill, taking down snow fence	6.80
		John O'Brien, taking down snow fence	6.80
	30	James McGill, taking down snow fence	27.20
		Edward Kline, taking down snow fence	27.20
		John O'Brien, taking down snow fence	27.20
		Steve Zallenski, taking down show fence	27.20
_		Alfred Bourdo, truck	40.00
June	10	Berkshire Sand & Gravel Co., sand	43.55
Aug.	2 6	Walter Fassell, wire to repair fence	23.85
Oct.	14	Berkshire Gravel Co., sand	17.03
Nov.	12	Augustus Mangue, Supt., putting up snow	fence 25.00
		Augustus Mangue, car	5.00
		James McGill, labor	19.80
		Kenneth Grover, labor	19.80
		Ted Persip, labor	19.80
		Arthur Moon, truck	50.00
	19	Augustus Mangue, Supt.	30.00
		Augustus Mangue, car	6.00
		James McGill, labor	23 .76
		Jack McGill, labor	19.80
		Kenneth Grover, labor	23.76
		Ted Persip, labor	23.76
		Anthony Cormier, truck	54.00
		Joseph Cormier, labor	7.92
	24	Augustus Mangue, Supt.	45.00
		Augustus Mangue, car	.9.00
		James McGill, labor	27.72
		Ted Persip, labor	27.72
		Kenneth Grover, labor	31.68
		Nick Chilson, labor	31.68
-	_	Anthony Cormier, truck	54.00
Dec.	2	Carl A. Pierce & Sons, salt	54.00

\$7,188.96

ROAD MACHINERY ACCOUNT

Appro Dec.	priat 29	tion 1948		\$2,500.00 500.00
		·	_	\$3,000.00
Jan.	24	T. A. Frissell, supplies	\$20.97	
	27	C. E. M. Welding Shop, welding	38.15	
		Berkshire Tractor Co., parts	10.50	
Feb.	6	William E. Litchfield, labor	3.75	
		May's Auto Parts, parts	9.00	
	12	Frissell's Market, bolts, nuts, washers	5.68	
		C. E. M. Welding Co., welding	21.00	• •
		Mason's Garage, labor	8.00	
		C. A. Pierce & Sons, oil, gas	60.39	
		C. A. Pierce & Sons, fuel, oil	161.69	
		Contractor Sales Co. Inc., parts	253.53	
		Pittsfield Milk Exchange, dry ice	10.70	
		Augustus Mangue, Supt.	39.00°	
		Augustus Mangue, car	9.75	
		Harold Hunt, labor	10.80	
		Milo Kent, labor	10.80	
		Walter Vincent, labor	9.00	÷
		Conrad Arndt, labor	10.80	
	2 6	Contractor Sales Co. Inc., parts	1.44	
Mar.	4	Augustus Mangue, Supt.	35.00	
		Augustus Mangue, car	8.75	
		Walter Vincent, helper .	29.25	
		Conrad Arndt, labor	35.10	
		Harold Hunt, labor	37.80	•
		Milo Kent, labor	34.20	
		Triad Welding Co., welding	40.50	•
		Robert Sullivan, repairing tractor	154.22	
		Railway Express, Dalton	5.65	
		Carlton H. Pierce, express	3.73	
		Raynor's Auto Supply, parts	4.61	
		William Litchfield, labor	6.00	
		Miner's Garage, oil, gas	33 . 26	
	11	Augustus Mangue, Supt.	16.00	
		Augustus Mangue, car	4.00	
		Walter Vincent, helper	12.00	
		Harold Hunt, labor	14.40	
		Conrad Arndt, labor	14.40	
		Wallin's Garage, making tools	4.50	
		C. A. Pierce & Sons, oil, gas	40.93	

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

School Committee

AND

Superintendent of Schools

OF THE TOWN OF

HINSDALE

MASSACHUSETTS



December 31, 1948

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

For the Year Ending December 31, 1948

School Committee

JOHN R. NAUGHTON, Chairman HARRY E. FRESHLER JOHN McGILL

Superintendent EARL C. SUITOR

FINANCIAL STATEMENT-1948

Appropriation		\$39,805.00
Supplementary Appropriation		3,000.00
Supplementary Appropriation		2,000.00
Total Appropriation	_	\$44,805.00
EXPENDITURES		
General Control		
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	\$2,352.60	
Clerk	410.45	
School Committee	68.21	
Total Expenses of General Control		\$2,831.26
Building Alterations		3,938.06
Repairs		345.22
New Equipment		1,241.15
Expenses of Operation		
Janitor	\$2,200.07	
Fuel	893.80	
Lights, Power, and Telephone	439.74	
Supplies	418.78	
Total Expenses of Operation		\$3,952 .39
Expenses of Instruction		
Teachers' Salaries	\$16,561.51	
Textbooks	248.08	
Supplies	883.37	
Total Expenses of Instruction		\$17,692.96

Auxiliary Agencies		
Health	\$ 460.97	
Library	196.87	
Transportation	6,254.25	
Tuition—High School	7,873.30	
Tuition—Elementary	14.27	
Total Auxiliary Agencies		\$14,799.66
Total Expenditures Unexpended Balance		44,800.70 4.30
NET COST TO TOWN For the Support of Schools—I	048	
Expenditures—1948		\$44,800.70
Experiences 1040		•,•
Receipts—1948		
From the Conmonwealth of Massachusetts:	00 177 00	
General School Fund, Part 1	\$2,175.20 1,339.22	
General School Fund, Part 2	755.83	
Salary and Expenses of Superintendent High School Tuition	2,312.37	
Vocational Tuition	1,713.18	
Transportation	4,622.15	
State Wards	499.55	
Total Reimbursement from the State		\$13,417.50
Elementary Tuition from Peru		1,320.16
Dienentary Lation from Leta	_	
Total Receipts		\$14,737.66
Net Cost of School to Hinsdale for 1948		*\$30,063.04
BUDGET—1949		
Teachers' Salaries	\$21,130.00	
Textbooks	300.00	•
Supplies	800.00	
Fuel	900.00	
Janitor .	2,500.00	
Lights and Telephone	450.00	
Repairs	400.00 75.00	
Library Health	500.00	
Janitor's Supplies	300.00	
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Transportation	\$ 6,824.00	
Elementary Tuition	170.00	
High School Tuition	13,859.00	
School Committee	30.00	
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	2,592.00	
New Equipment	500.00	
Univent	750.00	
。 Clerk	810.00	
Total Budget		\$52,8 90. 00
ESTIMATED NET COST FO	R 1949	
Reimbursements:		
School Aid—Chapter 643, Acts of 1948	\$11,807.88	
Transportation	4,900.00	
Superintendent's Salary and Expenses	755.83	
State Wards	499.55	
Vocational	2,320.00	
Estimated Receipts from State		\$20,283.26
Tuition from Town of Peru		1,100.00
Total Receipts from State and Peru Tuition		21,383.26
Estimated Net Cost to Town of Hinsdale for 1949		*\$31,506.74

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY FRESHLER JOHN McGILL JOHN R. NAUGHTON, Chairman

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee and Citizens of Hinsdale:

Herewith is submitted by fourth annual report as Superintendent of your school.

"School-Age Population to Reach New High"—a headline from a Statistical Bulletin of a leading life insurance company—"5,000,000 children will probably be added to the elementary school population within the next decade." This is a national figure, but Hinsdale has already felt the reality of this trend. Having an already overcrowded condition, an additional 40 pupils this year created an emergency need for the development of more classroom space. Hence, the two basement rooms were made into first grade classrooms. Two teachers were added to the faculty. Additional furniture and equipment were obtained. Four new lavatories have been installed in the basement corridors. Additional coat and hat hooks have been put in both basement and main floor corridors. We are utilizing practically every available space. Yet we must plan for an increasing number in the next few years at least. Shall we crowd and overcrowd or go ahead with a real addition? Of course we all know that building costs are high, but our need is here. Shall we build additional rooms and that long delayed auditorium and gymnasium? Recognizing the high building costs and great need, the State Legislature created a building commission and provided for aid in building which would mean 50% of the cost for Hinsdale. Shall we take advantage of this proposition?

The two new basement rooms are being occupied by the first grade with Mrs. Isabelle Butler and Mrs. Virginia Collins as teachers. The second grade with Mrs. Anna Kirchner as teacher, the third grade with Miss Agnes Naughton as teacher, and the fourth grade with Mrs. Angeline Cannon as teacher, are in single grade rooms. The fifth grade with part of the sixth grade are with Mrs. May McDonnell. The rest of the sixth grade and part of the seventh are with Mrs. Marguerite Curtin. The rest of the seventh grade and the eighth grade are with Miss Flora Amede. It is evident that as the larger grades come along this arrangement in grades five through eight will not be possible.

Membership as of October 1, 1948

Grade	Enrollmen
1	42
2	29
3	31
4	33
5	20
6	28
7	33
8	24
Total Elementary	240

Dalton High School	6
Pittsfield Junior High School	13
Pittsfield High School	23
Pittsfield Vocational School	9
St. Joseph's High School	11
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Total High School	62

Total Enrollment

302

Kittredge School Class of 1948

Rachel Maree Avery	Robert Gerald Murray
	Harold James Oakes
John Frederick Bellinger	
William Alexander Cullett	Albert Denison Reinhardt, Jr.
William Peter Clifford Eldridge	Don James Rodman
Anna Louise Fassell	Edward Peter Shaffer
Daniel Curtis Galeucia	Edward Shepard
Dolores Theresa LeVardi	Lois Gertrude Sherman
Loren Joseph Malone	Anna Maria Shuttleworth
Leona May McNeil	Douglas W. Smith
Carl Louis Mosegard	Patricia Margaret Smith
Bruce Whitcomb Munson	Paul Kenneth Steele

Staff

Name	Grade
Miss Flora Amede	7–8
Mrs. Marguerite Curtin	6–7
Mrs. May McDonnell	5-6
Mrs. Angeline Cannon	4
Miss Agnes Naughton	3
Mrs. Anna Kirchner	2
Mrs. Isabelle Butler	1
Mrs. Virginia Collins	1
Mrs. Wm. Butler	Art
Clarence Noyes	Music
Miss Mary Barraclough	Nature
Miss Rose Conley	Nurse
Dr. Gerald Haidak	School Physician
Frank Baumann	Janitor

BUDGET INCREASE FOR 1949

Two new teachers and a \$100 increase in teachers' salaries boosts this item almost \$6,000 over the 1948 budget estimate. \$4000 more in the estimate for high school tuition is the result of an increase in rate of \$34 per pupil at both Pittsfield and Dalton High Schools and the junior high school rate was increased \$41 per pupil, making the new rates \$214 for high school and \$199.24 for junior high school. The vocational school rate is \$170 per pupil. We estimate that there will be about 39 pupils in high school, 9 in vocational school, and 20 in junior high school. By simple arithmetic this totals \$13,859.

Also included in the 1949 budget is an item of \$750 for the Univent that is to be installed in one of our basement rooms.

For the last three years we have had students from the commercial course at Dalton High School assisting in the office of the Superintendent. This year it was thought more advisable to have a permanent part time clerk. Mrs. Herbert Prew is efficiently doing this work now. No small part of her duties is in connection with the school lunch program, making menus, ordering, keeping records, and making reports. The State Elementary School Supervisor has recommended a full time clerk for this office.

There is an increase of about \$800 for transportation necessitated by increased rates and more mileage.

The increase for janitor service was necessitated particularly because of additional classrooms.

\$300 more for supplies is understandable in the light of increased enrollment and prices.

The above statements account for most of the budget increase.

I wish to emphasize that the net cost of schools to the town for the year 1949 will be \$31,506.74. About \$1100 tuition will be paid by the town of Peru and the State reimbursing the town for the support of schools to the amount of \$20,283.26. The increased state aid was the result of legislation enacted last year. The formula used for figuring this is as follows:—

Number of children age 7-16 multiplied by 130.

From this product is subtracted 6 times the equalized valuation divided by 1000.

One half this difference is the State Aid due the town.

230 times 130 equals 29,900 1047.375 times 6 equals 6,284.24 2 23,615.76 \$11,807.88

It is hoped that additional legislation will be enacted this year so that the State will share the cost of the support of schools to a greater extent.

Now, if we compare the net cost for the support of schools for 1948—\$30,063.04, with the estimated net cost for 1949, \$31,506.75, there is only an increase of \$1,443.71 in the net cost of schools for the town for 1949.

"Education doesn't cost—it pays! It is not an expenditure but an investment."

Quoting from an article written by Dr. James B. Conant, President of Harvard University—

"Our free tax-supported schools are the sinews of our society; they are the product of our special history, a concrete manifestation of our ideals, and the instrument by which the American concept of Democracy may be transmitted to our future citizens. It is perhaps not too much to say that the strength of this republic is intimately connected with the success or failure of our system of public education. Surely, it is of prime importance that this instrument of democracy be strengthened as never before in these grim days of a divided world."

Teachers and parents are partners in the work of providing for the most wholsesome development of children. The best teaching in any school requires the understanding and help of parents. In fact parental understanding and cooperation are essential to an adequate educational program. Attitudes and emotional balance may be favorably nurtured at home. Keep the child well and rested. A tired irritable child is not ready to learn. Try to avoid absences, for continuity in attendance is most desired.

Respectfully submitted,

EARL C. SUITOR, Superintendent of Schools

SCHOOL CALENDAR 1948-1949

	Days
Sept. School begins Sept. 8, 1948	17
Oct. No school Oct. 12 and 22	19
Nov. No school Nov. 11, 12, 24 P. M., 25, 26	$17\frac{1}{2}$
Dec. School closes Dec. 22	16
Jan. School opens Jan. 3	21
Feb. Vacation Feb. 19-27 inclusive	15
March	23
April Vacation—April 15, inclusive	15
May No school May 30	21
June School closes June 10	8
Total	1721/2

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Earl C. Suitor Superintendent of Schools Hinsdale, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Suitor:

The following health report is submitted for Kittredge School.

June 1, 1948. A pre-school clinic was held by Dr. Gerald L. Haidak. We are hoping this clinic will be better attended as the time goes on, as it gives parents an opportunity for making corrections.

Number of children attended-15.

Annual Physical examinations were held during Oct. and Nov. 1948.

Tonsils enlarged and several recommendations for Tonsillectomies found.

Dr. Gerald Haidak held the examinations.

Several corrections have been made.

The Lunch Program has lessened the mal-nutrition cases.

Thanking the School Faculty for co-operation,

Sincerely,

ROSE K. CONLEY, R.N.

REPORT OF THE ART SUPERVISOR

Mr. Earl C. Suitor Superintendent of Schools Hinsdale, Mass.

Dear Mr. Suitor:

There's never a dull moment in the Art Class, everyone's anxious to work. I say "work" because the young artists meditate, plan, consult and get art materials in readiness with all the vigor and eager excitement, which only youth possesses.

With two added classrooms at Kittredge this year, the schedule, of necessity has been a bit crowded. But on the whole, it has been a successful year. The art work, like all other school curricula is passing through a transition period. The work has been varied and interesting.

Carrying the creative idea into the holiday and special program period, it was interesting to see the ideas which the pupils put forth. Many successful Christmas and Hallowe'en pictures and crafts were completed and surprising work was done in connection with the safety program, such as construction of traffic lights and safety pictures.

Much Red Cross Work for Veterans was done in the form of designed Crossword Books and Comics. Some Alphabet Books were designed for the Children's Hospital Wards.

Another lesson undertaken in our 7th and 8th grades was the designing of a Private Brand Label for Canned Goods in connection with our discussion on advertising.

When conditions are favorable, I would like to see further work in Crafts and Art Appreciation.

It has been a pleasure and privilege to work at Kittredge with pupils, Faculty and School Committee who have been most cordial and co-operative.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. WILLIAM J. BUTLER, Supervisor of Art.

December 31, 1948.

REPORT OF THE MUSIC SUPERVISOR

Mr. Earl Suitor Superintendent of Schools Hinsdale, Mass.

Dear Mr. Suitor:

The School Year of 1948-1949 was a busy one for the Music Supervisor. Besides Hinsdale, there are nine other schools in the Berkshires to be taken care of. This schedule allows for one full day in Hinsdale with the exception of one hour which is spent in Peru.

Musical activity in the grades can be outlined as follows:

Grade 1—Rote songs with special emphasis on the dramatization of these songs—also individual performance and musical games.

Grade 2—Similar to the outline of Grade 1 plus a foundation and practice in note reading.

Grade 3-Note reading, memory songs, individual and collective performance, folk dances and the introduction of musical flutes.

Grade 4—Songs taught by rote and memorized—this group excelled at that and built up a commanding repertoire. Collective performance, folk dancing, and an introduction to musical flutes.

Grades 5 and 6—A very talented group and a pleasure to work with. Individual and collective performance, fine two part work, good sight reading, splendid single and two part work with musical flutes and exceptional appreciation of music.

Grades 6 and 7—This group, well versed in music fundamentals and a fine appreciation of music did exceptional work. With the accent on expression and study, fine three part music and beautiful blending of voices resulted.

Grades 7 and 8—The seventh and eighth grades have done considerable two part work with fine results in addition to a complete review of musical theory.

The teachers and pupils are to be commended for their fine co-operation and appreciation of music.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE NOYES, Supervisor of Music