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ANNUAL REPORT

of the

TOWN OFFICERS and DEPARTMENT HEADS

of the

Town of Provincetown, Massachusetts

for the

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1954

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In Dedication to

GEORGE S. CHAPMAN and JOHN A. DUTRA

To these two men, who served their community faithfully, honestly and ably during a major part of their years, we offer our sincere gratitude and most humble thanks. Their fine records of public service will not be forgotten.

Directory of Officials

Town Officers and Department Heads

ACCOUNTANT	William A. Garten
AIRPORT MANAGER	John C. Van Arsdale
ANIMAL INSPECTOR	Clarence E. Pierce
BUILDING INSPECTOR	Robert E. Collinson
CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR	Horace Hallett
CLERK	William A. Garten
COLLECTOR	Frank S. Bent
DOG OFFICER	Clarence Pierce
FIRE CHIEF AND FIRE WARDEN	Joseph Matta
HEALTH AGENT	J. Darrow Adams
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT	Frank S. Perry
LIBRARIAN	Eleanor Rowland
MANAGER	Thomas M. Libby
MODERATOR	Francis J. Steele
NURSE—TOWN	Jessie T. Hathaway, R. N.
POLICE CHIEF	William N. Rogers
SERVICE OFFICER	George A. Baker
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES	Arthur B. Silva
TOWN CRIER	Arthur Snader
TREASURER	Frank S. Bent
TREE WARDEN	William Soloninka
VETERANS AGENT	George A. Baker
WATER SUPERINTENDENT	Joseph M. Creamer
WELFARE AGENT	Irving S. Rogers
WIRING INSPECTOR	Converse Montgomery
WHARFINGER AND HARBOR MASTER	John S. Silva

Boards, Committees and Commissions

APPEALS, BOARD OF

William Paige, Chairman
Ethel Ball, Secretary
L. William Newman
Edward Silva
James R. Santos

ASSESSORS, BOARD OF

John I. King, Chairman
Thomas Francis
Manuel V. Raymond

AIRPORT COMMISSION

Charles DeRiggs
John C. Snow
Francis E. Rogers

ACCESS ROADS COMMITTEE

Nathan Malchman, Chairman
William N. Rogers
Frederick Rogers

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Raymond Marston, Chairman
William Pierce
Joseph Crawley

CONSTABLES

Joseph Rogers
Warren Perry
Joseph Agna

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Frank J. Rowe, Chairman
Burton Kenney, Secretary
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Joseph Macara
Manuel Macara
Charles Bowen
Chester Peck
Jesse D. Rogers

FIRE ENGINEERS, BOARD OF

Joseph E. Matta
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William Pierce
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Manuel Morris

HARBOR DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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Frank Taves
Joseph Roderick
Louis Salvador
Manuel Phillips
John Russe
Elmer Greensfelder
William McKellar
Frank Volton
John C. Snow
John C. Van Arsdale

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Henry Fisk, Chairman
James Cordeiro
Norman Cook

HISTORICAL MONUMENTS AND MARKERS COMMITTEE

Franklin Oliver
Ralph Carpenter
Joseph M. Creamer

LIBRARY, TRUSTEES OF

John Agna, Chairman
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Virginia Andrews
Germania Phillips
Edward Dahill, Jr.
Adelaide Kenney
Ellen Rosa
Edwina Tarvers
Natalie Patrick

PLANNING BOARD

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William F. Gilman
John Alexander

PLAYGROUNDS COMMITTEE

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Nellie Bent
Warren Alexander, Jr.

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Herman Janard
Cyril Patrick

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Thomas Francis
Mabel Stillings
Warren C. Silva

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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Francis Alves
Herbert Mayo

SHELLFISH COMMITTEE

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Frank E. Cabral
Joseph Ferreira

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Francis Santos, Chairman
Clarence Kacergis, Clerk
Frank D. Henderson
Joseph Lema, Jr.
Joseph T. Ferreira

SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Ralph Carpenter, Chairman
Manuel F. Patrick
Frank S. Bent
Frank Barnett
Mrs. John C. Van Arsdale
Jesse Rogers

STREET LIGHTING COMMITTEE

William Rogers, Chairman
Mrs. Emily Hiebert
George F. Miller

SWIMMING COMMITTEE

Francis Santos, Chairman
Mrs. Elmer Greensfelder
Robert Manning

VETERANS GRAVES COMMITTEE

Manuel J. Goveia
Manuel V. Raymond
William C. Pierce

WATER SUPPLY COMMITTEE

Marion Perry, Chairman
William Paige
Frank Prada
Warren Alexander
Manuel F. Patrick
Sivert Benson
Frank Barnett

WELFARE, BOARD OF Town Manager

From the Town Manager

To the Citizens of Provincetown:

It is a pleasure to submit my first annual report as your Town Manager at the close of the first year of operation under the Selectman-Manager plan. Having assumed my office on March 24, 1954 with nearly three months of the fiscal year already elapsed, with a backlog of undone work and without the benefit of a full and experienced staff, we were faced with many difficult situations at the outset. That these problems were met, and for the most part solved with a minimum of confusion, must be attributed to the willing cooperation and loyalty of Town employees, members of the Board of Selectmen, members of various Town committees and the encouraging support of so many Provincetown citizens.

The year 1954 must be considered as a year of progress. With the completion of the new elementary school, the new water system and the new Town wharf, many of the Town's major problems will have been solved. Even so, many existing problems still confront us and others are certain to occur in these rapidly changing times. Not the least of these are the full satisfaction of our parking requirements and traffic problems; the long overdue development of Provincetown harbor; the correction of defects in street, sidewalk and drainage systems; the establishment of equitable values for tax purposes; the meeting in an orderly manner of our future development demands and most important of all a solution to the economic problems brought about by seasonal fluctuations in available employment. Our approach to many of these problems is made more difficult by a current outstanding debt that is in excess of one million dollars. Our future progress must necessarily be measured carefully in terms of our financial ability to pay.

Your choice in continuing to elect progressive leaders who have a moral concept of their responsibility in government and your active interest in keeping your elected representatives informed of your views will be your most important tasks in assuring the future of Provincetown.

Very truly yours,

Thomas M. Libby
Town Manager

1954 Accomplishments

ADDITIONAL WATER SUPPLY COMMITTEE commenced operation of new well field and pumping station at North Truro, furnishing a new and adequate supply of water and ending what was probably the Town's most critical problem.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE nears completion of Provincetown's new fourteen room elementary school to be built at a cost of approximately \$480,000, a much needed improvement that may be pointed to with pride.

GOVERNOR HERTER'S announcement of a grant in the sum of \$180,000 by the Commonwealth to finance one half the cost of a new municipal wharf and subsequent action by the Town to build the new wharf at a cost of approximately \$376,000.

COMPLETION BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS of the new Route 6 through Provincetown—an improvement that promises a welcome convenience to motorists and a new business potential to Provincetown.

A POSITIVE START MADE toward the creation of adequate off street parking with a total appropriation of \$42,800 made by the Town at the December 17, 1954 Special Town Meeting.

AMENDMENTS MADE TO traffic regulations after survey by traffic engineers that should help to eliminate what has been described by State officials as one of the most difficult traffic problems in the Commonwealth.

THE COMMENCEMENT OF A shellfish conservation program and the employment of a full-time shellfish warden.

FULL-TIME TOWN ACCOUNTANT employed with resulting improvements in the accounting system and an increased overall efficiency in fiscal matters.

A NEW TOWN DUMP LOCATED in the Provincelands with hard surfaced road entrance constructed by the State Department of Public Works.

CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION on Commercial Street completed with 2918 feet of surfacing with bituminous concrete and improved drainage.

POSITIVE STEPS MADE TOWARD the future development of Provincetown harbor. Development committee provided with appropriation for engineering designs and estimates of costs of needed harbor facilities.

PROVINCETOWN'S FIRE DEPARTMENT RESCUE SQUAD furnished with a new rescue truck and equipment thereby bringing a complete rescue service to Provincetown's citizens.

STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS constructs much needed sidewalk on north side of Commercial Street between Peters' Service Station and Allerton Street.

A NEW PROVINCETOWN PLANNING BOARD meets regularly and will offer desirable amendments and additions to the protective by-law.

THE DECISION OF STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS to construct a rotary traffic circle near the Provincetown Inn; when completed it will eliminate one of the Town's most serious traffic bottlenecks.

1954 Town Meetings and Elections

Annual Town Meeting

The Annual Town Meeting was held at Town Hall, February 8, 1954, to act on 51 articles that had been inserted in the Town Warrant. Article 51 concerning the election of Town Officers was acted upon first, and the results of 1192 ballots cast were as follows:

	Votes
Moderator, one year	
Francis J. Steele	1,081
Selectman, one year	
Frank DeMello	99
Frank Flores	202
Frank D. Henderson	850
Selectmen, two years	
Francis E. Days	355
Clarence C. Kacergis	851
Francis A. Santos	766
Manuel Souza	162
John Summers	64
Selectmen, three years	
Joseph T. Ferreira	598
Joseph Lema, Jr.	964
William A. White	553
School Committee	
Francis J. Alves	1026

The balance of the Warrant was then acted upon, and the amounts appropriated for the operation and maintenance of Town Departments will be found in the Accountant's section of the Town Report.

Under Article 7 the membership of the School Committee was increased from three to seven.

Under Articles 11 and 12 motions were made for appropriating a total of \$32,750 to acquire the following parcels of land for parking areas: the so-called Grace Hall property for \$25,000.00; the Earl Kimball property on Commercial Street for \$3,750.00; Estate of Andrew Williams located at the head of West Vine Street, north side of Bradford Street, for \$1,000.00; the property of Mary H. Vorse located at 466 Commercial Street, Bradford Street portion, value unknown; and the property of Ada W. Olson located at 286A Bradford Street for \$2,000.00. Motions under Articles 11 and 12 were defeated in their entirety.

Under Article 24 the following named were appointed by the Moderator to the Parking Area and Boat Basin Committee:

Arnold Dwyer, Jesse Rogers, Frank Taves, Joseph Roderick, and Louis Salvador.

Under Article 25 the following named were appointed by the Moderator to investigate the possibility of selling by public auction a parcel of land inside the premises of Herman Tasha:

Clarence Nelson, Herman Janard, and Cyril Patrick.

Under Articles 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and 42 the following street layouts were accepted:

Wareham Street, Standish Avenue, Conway Street, Upper end of Pearl Street from residence of Joseph Marshall to Brewster Street, Mechanic Street from property of Frank Gracie to Nickerson Street, and Webster Place.

Under Article 33 a motion to appoint an unpaid committee of three to study the advisability of the Town employing a Town Counsel for the handling of the Town's legal affairs was defeated.

Under Article 37 the following committee was appointed by the Moderator to study the traffic problems that will arise as a result of the new State Highway:

Nathan Malchman, Fred Rogers, and William Rogers.

Special Town Meeting August 16, 1954

Under Articles 1 - 4 inclusive the name of the Parking Area and Boat Basin Committee was changed to Harbor Development Committee, \$3,000 was appropriated for engineering services and expenses of this committee, the number of members was increased from five to twelve with the following additional members named by the Moderator:

Manuel Phillips, John Russe, Elmer Greensfelder, William McKellar, Frank Volton, John Snow, and John C. Van Arsdale.

A report of the original committee was read and accepted and is on file in the Town Clerk's office.

Under Articles 5 and 6 it was voted to accept a gift of 502 square feet of land from Harold E. Wilson, said land to be used as the frontage of the new school in exchange for 212 square feet of land owned by the Town plus \$1 in consideration thereof.

Under Articles 7 and 8, two additional by-laws regulating displays of certain merchandise and setting a fee system for electrical permits were accepted, the latter being part of the new by-laws, copies of which are available at the Town Hall. The display by-law was subsequently disapproved by the Attorney General.

Articles 9 through 11 inclusive were concerned with appropriations for Town Departments and will be found in the Accountant's section of the Town Report.

State Primary Tuesday, September 14, 1954

REPUBLICAN

	Votes
Governor	
Christian A. Herter	103
Lieutenant Governor	
Sumner G. Whittier	106
Secretary	
Michael J. McCarthy	102
Treasurer	
Augustus G. Means	102
Auditor	
William P. Constantino	100
Attorney General	
George Fingold	106
Senator in Congress	
Leverett Saltonstall	108
Congressman	
Donald W. Nicholson	105
Councillor	
Harold R. Allen	99
Senator	
Edward C. Stone	107
Representative in General Court	
Oscar J. Cahoon	105
Register of Probate and Insolvency	
Alfred C. Knight	60
John R. Tulis	48
County Commissioner	
Walter R. Nickerson	61
Sherman M. Woodward	16
L. Madelyn Wright	27
County Treasurer	
Bruce K. Jerauld	104

DEMOCRATIC

Governor	
Robert F. Murphy	37
Francis E. Kelly	7
Lieutenant Governor	
James A. Burke	43
Secretary	
Edward J. Cronin	40

Treasurer		
Clement A. Riley		20
William F. Carr		5
John F. Kennedy		17
Auditor		
Thomas J. Buckley		42
Attorney General		
John F. Collins		40
Senator in Congress		
Foster Furcolo		27
John I. Fitzgerald		6
Joseph L. Murphy		10
Congressman		
James F. O'Neill		37
William E. Watkins		3
Councillor		
Joseph P. Clark		24
Francis C. Dolan		3
Joseph P. Dupont		4
William L. O'Brien		6
Leo P. Soares		3
Senator		
George Correa		36
Representative in General Court		
Frank H. Barnett		42
District Attorney		
Maurice M. Lyons		35
John B. Nunes		7

There was a total of 159 ballots cast, 114 being for the Republican party and 45 for the Democratic party.

Special Town Meeting September 20, 1954

The warrant contained two articles: No. 1 requesting an appropriation of \$188,000 to match an equal amount made available by the State Department of Public Works, for the construction of a new Town wharf. A report on the condition of the wharf, prepared by Crandall Dry Dock Engineers, Inc., was read to the meeting. As a result of the voting, the sum of \$188,000 was voted to be raised in the following manner: \$50,000 to be taken from free cash, \$120,000 to be financed by borrowing and \$18,000 to be transferred from current appropriations for wharf repairs. Under Article No. 2 the Town voted to assume liability for any damages incurred during the wharf construction.

State Election Tuesday, November 2, 1954

		Votes
Governor		
Christian A. Herter	Republican	760
Robert F. Murphy	Democrat	308
Lawrence Gilfedder	Socialist Labor	7
Guy S. Williams	Prohibition	1
Lieutenant Governor		
Sumner G. Whittier	Republican	749
James A. Burke	Democrat	313
Donald E. Babcock	Prohibition	1
Francis A. Votano	Socialist Labor	9
Secretary		
Edward J. Cronin	Democrat	447
Michael J. McCarthy	Republican	611
Fred M. Ingersoll	Socialist Labor	9
William D. Ross	Prohibition	4
Treasurer		
John F. Kennedy	Democrat	458
Augustus G. Means	Republican	599
Henning A. Blomen	Socialist Labor	6
Isaac Goddard	Prohibition	2
Auditor		
Thomas J. Buckley	Democrat	525
William P. Constantino	Republican	518
John B. Lauder	Prohibition	2
Anthony Martin	Socialist Labor	12
Attorney General		
George Fingold	Republican	723
John F. Collins	Democrat	338
Howard B. Rand	Prohibition	0
Malcolm T. Rowe	Socialist Labor	6
Senator in Congress		
Leverett Saltonstall	Republican	751
Foster Furcolo	Democrat	309
Thelma Ingersoll	Socialist Labor	6
Harold J. Ireland	Prohibition	4
Congressman—Ninth District		
Donald W. Nicholson	Republican	756
James F. O'Neill	Democrat	306
Councillor—First District		
Harold R. Allen	Republican	650
Joseph P. Dupont	Democrat	380

Senator—Cape and Plymouth District			
Edward C. Stone	Republican		813
George Correa	Democrat		249
Representative in General Court			
Oscar J. Cahoon	Republican		631
Frank H. Barnett	Democrat		426
District Attorney—Southern District			
Maurice M. Lyons	Dem.-Rep.		877
Register of Probate and Insolvency			
Alfred C. Knight	Republican		834
County Commissioner			
Walter R. Nickerson	Republican		833
Bruce K. Jerauld	Republican		846
Question No. 1	Question No. 2	Question No. 3	
YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	
A. 697 215	A. 482 360	690 133	
B. 637 199	B. 429 435		
C. 678 181			

The total of votes cast was 1,086.

A petition for recount was filed in behalf of Joseph P. Dupont, Democratic candidate for the office of Councillor, with the Town Clerk. Said recount was held in the office of the Town Clerk on Monday night November 22, 1954, with neither party being represented. Thomas Francis, Mabel Stillings, Warren Silva, and William A. Garten, Registrars of the Town of Provincetown announced that both candidates had received one additional vote each; making the final tally read,

Councillor—First District

Harold R. Allen	Republican	651
Joseph P. Dupont	Democrat	381

Special Town Meeting December 17, 1954

Under Article 10 the report of the Access Roads Committee was read and accepted, and is on file with the Town Clerk.

Under Articles 1, 2, 3, 7, and 8 the following amounts were voted for the purposes stated:

No. 1	Development of Grace Hall property	\$28,000
No. 2	Reconstruction of Prince Street	8,200
No. 3	Purchase of part of the land of Dorothy Linskey	1,000
No. 7	Razing Center and Western School Buildings	1,600
No. 8	Purchase of land on Winthrop Street	4,000
Total		\$42,800

Under Article 4 the layout of Mozart Avenue was accepted.

Under Article 9 the sum of \$5,000 was appropriated to meet the financial obligations of the School Department for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Under Article 11 the following changes in the Town's Zoning By-law were voted: Under paragraph 2 of Section I the depth requirement for business lots was reduced from 1,200 to 250 feet. Bradford Street Extension formerly a residential district was rezoned for business for motels, cottages, and art and craft shops. The south side of Route 6 between Conwell Street and the boundary of the Province Lands remained residential. Under paragraph 10 of Section 2 the following uses of Residence Districts were added—house trailers, art galleries, and the sale of handcrafted articles made on the premises. The above article was inserted in the Warrant on the request of the Planning Board after a public hearing in Caucus Hall.

The Zoning Map as amended and filed with the Town Clerk on November 24, 1954 shows the areas affected.

Jury List

Men Jurors

Adams, Harris A.	44 Commercial Street	Laborer	Malchman, Hiram M.	273 Commercial Street	Retired
Allen, David L.	168 Commercial Street	Merchant	Marshall, Joseph	38 Pearl Street	Retired
Aresta, Frank J.	111 Commercial Street	Laborer	Marston, Raymond H.	61 Commercial Street	Retired
Avellar, Antone	210 Bradford Street	Agent	Matenos, James	212 Commercial Street	Retired
Avellar, Justin	439 Commercial Street	Fisherman	McKain, Bruce	5 Pearl Street	Artist
Benson, Clarence	375 Commercial Street	Merchant	Medeiros, Manuel R.	3 Winthrop Place	Laborer
Boogar, William F.	186 Bradford Street	Sculptor	Morris, John V.	34 Pleasant Street	Clerk
Bennett, Charles	70A Commercial Street	Fisherman	Nelson, James S.	262 Bradford Street	Merchant
Costa, Matthew	Bradford Street Ext.	Carpenter	Noones, Edward A.	10 Hancock Street	Mechanic
Crawley, Joseph	4 West Vine Street	Laborer	Nunes, John C.	3 Baker Avenue	Laborer
Cote, Thomas	9 Soper Street	Merchant	O'Donnell, John W.	6 Atwood Avenue	Clerk
Days, Joseph M.	5 Brewster Street	Fisherman	Oliver, Franklin J.	4 Pearl Street	Mechanic
DeCosta, Joseph	5 Pleasant Street	Merchant	Oliver, John T.	7 Bradford Street	Painter
DeSilva, Ernest	147 Commercial Street	Merchant	Oliver, Francis P.	88 Bradford Street	Merchant
DaRosa, George C.	21A Conwell Street	Laborer	Patrick, Levi	8 Bradford Street	Painter
Days, Howard	206 Commercial Street	Merchant	Perry, Stephen J.	213 Bradford Street	Carpenter
Dears, John J.	78B Bradford Street	Laborer	Perry, Anthony	28 Conwell Street	Laborer
DeRiggs, Charles J.	196 Bradford Street	Merchant	Perry, Joseph V.	61 Franklin Street	Laborer
Dwyer, Arnold F.	329 Commercial Street	Merchant	Perry, Joseph T.	20 Pleasant Street	Carpenter
Days, William	118 Commercial Street	Laborer	Peters, Joseph T.	290 Bradford Street	Merchant
Edwards, John	Cemetery Road	Mechanic	Pierce, William C.	26 Conwell Street	Merchant
Enos, Frank A.	372 Commercial Street	Retired	Prada, Frank R.	10 Court Street	Mechanic
Enos, James W.	143A Bradford Street	Merchant	Rann, Vollian B.	4 Brewster Street	Artist
Euler, Reeves E.	4 Brewster Street	Artist	Raymond, Frank	27 Bradford Street	Merchant
Foster, John M.	562 Commercial Street	Artist	Raymond, Manuel V.	34B Pearl Street	Carpenter
Francis, Thomas A.	345 Commercial Street	Merchant	Rego, John	421 Commercial Street	Fisherman
Fratius, Gabriel P.	25 West Vine Street	Laborer	Reis, Frank	383 Commercial Street	Fisherman
Gaspa, Edward F.	148 Commercial Street	Fisherman	Rogers, Jesse D.	6 Winthrop Street	Merchant
Gaspie, John	Race Road	Laborer	Rosa, Frank M.	70 Commercial Street	Barber
Gordon, William H.	17 Pleasant Street	Merchant	Rose, John	53 Pleasant Street	Fisherman
Gray, Richard A.	3 Winslow Street	Laborer	Rosenthal, John F.	216 Commercial Street	Merchant
Ham, John R.	420 Commercial Street	Mechanic	Rowe, Francis J.	205 Bradford Street	Manager
Hensche, Henry	State Highway	Artist	Santos, Anthony R.	3 Conwell Street	Fisherman
Henrique, Manuel	42 Pearl Street	Taxi Operator	Shaw, John I.	491 Commercial Street	Merchant
Holmes, George	Winslow Street	Laborer	Silva, Arthur	20 Pleasant Street	Fisherman
Jason, Joseph A.	5 Bradford Street	Foreman	Silva, Lawrence	10 Washington Avenue	Carpenter
Jennings, Richard A.	376 Commercial Street	Plumber	Smith, Jacob	66 Franklin Street	Laborer
Joseph, Matthew A.	4 Conant Street	Clerk	Snow, Ralph P.	143 Commercial Street	Laborer
Kennedy, Burton	8 Pleasant Street	Agent	Snow, Morris G.	263 Commercial Street	Carpenter
Lazaro, Joseph C.	9 Bradford Street	Cook	Souza, Anthony E.	40 Pleasant Street	Barber
Lewis, Manuel J., Jr.	1 Conway Street	Clerk	Souza, John	8 Washington Avenue	Laborer
Lewis, Frank J.	246 Bradford Street	Retired	Summers, Hubert	54 Commercial Street	Merchant
Lopes, Thomas J.	18 Conwell Street	Retired	Tarvers, Anthony P.	178 Bradford Street	Merchant
Lyle, Lawrence W.	252A Bradford Street	Contractor	Tasha, James	26 Alden Street	Retired
			Thomas, Manuel	4 Dyer Street	Clerk
			Turnbull, Archibald D.	633 Commercial Street	Retired
			Veara, Frank	9 Wareham Street	Laborer
			Veara, Joseph	4 Bradford Street	Laborer
			Volton, Frank	26 Pleasant Street	Laborer

White, Arthur A. 42 Franklin Street
 Whorf, John C. 52 Commercial Street
 Wilson, Harold E. 26 Winslow Street
 Yater, George 577 Commercial Street

Laborer
 Artist
 Merchant
 Artist

Women Jurors

Adams, Marjorie A. 60 Commercial Street
 Baumgartner, Louise W. 48B Bradford Street
 Bennett, Agnes M. 8 Conwell Street
 Cook, Dorothy E. 7 Gosnold Street
 Cote, Anna M. 41 Bradford Street
 Crawley, Lucille 11 Atlantic Avenue
 Dennis, Ann F. 16 Brewster Street
 D'Entremont, Isabel 91 Bradford Street
 Foster, Christine N. 562 Commercial Street
 Greensfelder, Mildred F. 529 Commercial Street
 Gregory, Adelaide G. 72 Commercial Street
 Gracie, Evalina F. 27 Mechanic Street
 Hancock, Anna W. 262 Bradford Street
 Johnson, Josephine 9 Pearl Street
 Ketchum, Mina 476 Commercial Street
 Loring, Marguerite 226 Bradford Street
 Matta, Charlotte S. 25 Winthrop Street
 Meads, Hortense Orrie 10 Atlantic Avenue
 Rogers, Lucretia S. 50 Bradford Street
 Salvador, Mary J. 5 Dyer Street
 Stillings, Mabel W. 6 Law Street
 Snow, Hannah M. 7 Race Road
 Stone, Hazel 14 Johnson Street
 Tasha, Genevieve E. 8 Atlantic Avenue
 Witherstine, Elsie H. 47 Commercial Street
 Zora, Judith T. 149B Commercial Street

Clerk
 Housewife
 Clerk
 Housewife
 Housewife
 Clerk
 Clerk
 Clerk
 Housewife
 Housewife
 Housewife
 Nurse
 Merchant
 Clerk
 Merchant
 Merchant
 Housewife
 Housewife
 Artist
 Merchant
 Clerk
 Housewife
 Clerk
 Clerk
 Nurse
 Housewife

Jurors Drawn 1954

Dennis, Ann F. 16 Brewster Street
 DeRiggs, Charles J. 196 Bradford Street
 Silva, Arthur R. 20 Pleasant Street
 Snow, Morris G. 263 Commercial Street
 Patrick, Levi 8 Bradford Street
 Rosenthal, John F. 216 Commercial Street
 Aresta, Frank J. 111 Commercial Street
 Lazaro, Joseph C. 9 Bradford Street
 Whorf, John C. 52 Commercial Street

Housewife
 Merchant
 Clerk
 Carpenter
 Painter
 Merchant
 Laborer
 Cook
 Artist

1954 Legal Actions

TOWN OF BILLERICA VS. TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN—action of contract to recover for welfare money expended by Billerica on a Provincetown settled case in amount of \$416.09. (case pending)

TOWN OF ATHOL VS. TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN—action of contract to recover for welfare money expended by Athol on a Provincetown settled case in the amount of \$612.40. (Judgment in the amount of \$612.40 for the Town of Athol.)

TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN VS. ESTATE OF HENRY MARTIN—action of contract to recover for welfare granted in the amount of \$2,292.26 during the years 1939-1954 inclusive. (case pending)

ALTON RICH VS. TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN—land damages—eminent domain Additional Water Supply, North Truro. Amount offered by Town \$4,150.00. Judgment for Rich in amount of \$6,973.01.

GEORGE WILLIAMS VS. TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN—land damages—eminent domain Additional Water Supply, North Truro. Amount offered by Town \$3,020.00. Judgment for Williams in amount of \$4,541.00.

ANN ONOFRE VS. TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN—action of tort for physical injuries received due to alleged defect in public way. (case pending)

MARY J. PERREIRA P.P.A. VS. TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN—action of tort for physical injuries received due to alleged defect in public way. (case pending)

ELSIE SOUZA VS. TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN—action of tort for physical injuries received due to alleged defect in public way. (case pending)

MARLENE SEMERARO vs. TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN—action of tort for injuries received in Town Hall at Artist's Ball in 1953. (case pending)

GLADYS M. LINEHAN ETAL VS. TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN—action of tort for injuries received due to alleged defect in public way. (case nonsuited—judgment for Town)

CARL R. JOHNSON VS. TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN ZONING BOARD. An appeal from the decision of the Zoning Board refusing the granting of a variance to build for business purposes in a zoned residential area. (case pending)

MATTHEW COSTA VS. TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN ZONING BOARD—for a writ of declaratory judgment to determine the status of building permit. (case pending)

LIENS—five liens against welfare recipients' interests in real estate drawn up and recorded in Barnstable registry. Six liens discharged.

FLORA PETERS VS. TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN—land damages—eminent domain Additional Water Supply—case settled out of court.

Town Clerk's Report

The following annual report of the Town Clerk for the year ending December 31, 1954, is herewith submitted.

The report of fees collected is as follows

SPORTING LICENSES

43 Resident Citizens Fishing	@ 3.25	\$139.75
7 Resident Citizens Minor Fishing	@ 1.25	8.75
5 Resident Citizens Female Fishing	@ 2.25	11.25
13 Non Resident 3-day Fishing	@ 2.75	35.75
1 Non Resident Minor Fishing	@ 2.25	2.25
4 Non Resident or Alien Fishing	@ 7.75	31.00
1 Resident Citizen Trapping	@ 7.75	7.75
167 Resident Citizen Hunting	@ 3.25	542.75
1 Non Resident Citizen Hunting	@ 15.25	15.25
11 Resident Citizen Sporting	@ 5.25	57.75
7 Non Resident Military or Naval	@ 2.00	14.00
3 Duplicates	@ .50	1.50

Total \$867.75

Paid to State \$802.75

Town Clerk Fees 65.00

DOG LICENSES

169 Male Dogs	@ 2.00	\$388.00
96 Spayed Female	@ 2.00	192.00
18 Female	@ 5.00	90.00
14 Military	free	—

Total \$620.00

Paid to County \$563.40

Town Clerk Fees 56.60

TOWN CLERK RECEIPTS

Marriage Certificates	8 @ .50	\$ 4.00
Birth Certificates	20 @ .50	10.00
Death Certificates	11 @ .50	5.50
Recording Chattel Mortgages		44.00
Filing Business Certificates	2 @ 1.00	2.00
Marriage Intentions	9 @ 2.00	18.00

Paid to Town Treasurer \$83.50

For statistics regarding births, marriages and deaths recorded with our office, your attention is directed to the following report.

1954

Town Of Provincetown

Births, Deaths And Marriages By Months

BIRTHS

Month	Male	Female	Total
January	1	1	2
February	5	5	10
March	1	5	6
April	2	2	4
May	3	9	12
June	7	5	12
July	0	2	2
August	2	1	3
September	2	5	7
October	2	2	4
November	0	2	2
December	0	2	2
Total	25	41	66

DEATHS

Month	Male	Female	Total
January	3	2	5
February	2	2	4
March	8	0	8
April	2	1	3
May	2	6	8
June	3	0	3
July	3	1	4
August	5	2	7
September	0	1	1
October	2	3	5
November	1	1	2
December	4	6	10
Total	35	25	60

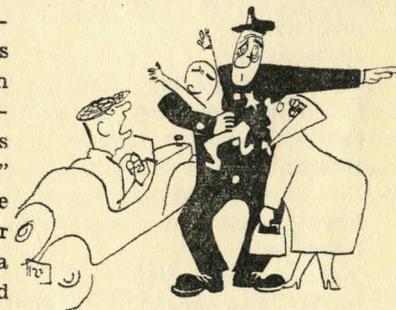
MARRIAGES

Month	Groom's first Marriage	Bride's first Marriage	Groom's second Marriage	Bride's second Marriage	Total
January	1	2	1	0	2
February	1	1	0	0	1
March	0	1	1	0	1
April	1	1	0	0	1
May	3	3	0	0	3
June	4	5	1	0	5
July	0	0	0	0	0
August	0	0	0	0	0
September	7	6	2	3	9
October	4	4	0	0	4
November	4	3	1	2	5
December	2	2	1	1	3
	—	—	—	—	—
	27	28	7	6	34

Police Department

The final figures show only a slight increase in the number of arrests made by the department for 1954. This increase is offset by the cut-back in our accident rate which I am pleased to report has been reduced by twenty. We had fifty-seven accidents involving motor vehicles in 1953 as against thirty-seven in 1954. Unfortunately this good record was marred by the worst accident we have had in my tenure of office with the loss of two lives. This accident happened at the intersection of New Route 6, and Conwell Street which was without traffic control of any kind.

The State of Massachusetts, Department of Public Works has since erected traffic lights which should prevent any further accidents of a serious nature. It is my opinion that more "Stop" signs should be placed at the intersections which are under our control. These signs are a distinct warning on our blind corners and help our out of state



motorists during our busy and congested summer season. The location of these signs is something that should be attended to before the coming summer.

The opening of New Route 6, will impose certain problems on this department during the coming season. The general feeling seems to be that the amount of traffic coming into the town will triple with the use of his new highway. This of course is pure conjecture and we will have to wait until next September to get a true picture of what we are really faced with. There is one new situation that is a known fact and that is that whereas in the past we only had one route in and out of our town we will now have five different entrances and exits. I anticipate our major problem will be the congestion of traffic at Conwell and Bradford Streets. A sign on New Route 6, will be marked "To center of Provincetown" directing traffic into the town through this intersection. Something will have to be done prior to the coming season to expedite the flow of traffic at this corner. It is my opinion that this location will now become the main entrance to our town and that the present layout is inadequate to handle the extra burdens that will be placed upon it.

ARRESTS

	Male	Female
Crimes against the person		
Assault and Battery	12	
Crimes against property		
Breaking, entering and larceny	6	
Evading Taxi fare		1
Larceny, and attempt	14	
Malicious mischief	8	
Trespass	1	
Using M. V. without authority	3	
Crimes against Public Order, etc.		
Adultery	3	3
Delinquency	8	
Deserter from Army	1	
Disturbing the peace	2	
Disorderly conduct	10	
Drunkenness	160	7
Illegitimate Child Act	4	
Lewd cohabitation	3	3
Lewdiess	6	
Fugitive from Justice	1	
Neglect, non-support	2	2
Operating auto under influence of liquor	25	4
Operating auto without license	4	
Operating auto uninsured	3	
Operating auto unregistered	2	
Operating auto after causing accident (hit-run)	4	1
Operating auto so as to endanger	13	3
Operating auto after license suspended	7	
Speeding	23	2
Vagrants	7	
Unnatural act	2	
	—	—
	334	26
Total		360
Arrests made for other departments		12
Automobiles transferred		107
Accidents reported and investigated		35
Citizens complaints investigated		520
Checks on closed property		325
Courtesy parking tags issued		197

Disturbances suppressed	37
Investigations for other police agencies	18
Parking tickets issued	147
Street lights reported out	23
Taunton State Hospital, committed	3
Trips to House of Correction, cruiser	19
Total cruiser mileage 1954	24,455 miles

Constable's Report

The following is my report of my activities as one of the Constables of Provincetown.

My work as Constable this year was chiefly devoted to the easing of traffic jams, keeping entrance and exit to Town pier free at all times for the easy flow of traffic. Helping visitors find an appropriate parking place was almost a daily ritual. I realize how difficult and confusing it is for tourists to quickly find a proper parking space, in crowded traffic conditions such as we have in the summer.

I always tried to be courteous with all visitors giving them all the information they sought. I admonished would-be speedsters and firmly stated our speed limit on the main streets. Most of them were very courteous and stated they had not realized the speed at which they were traveling.

Another of my duties was to post Warrants for the Town Meetings, Elections, etc.

JOSEPH A. ROGERS, Constable

Street Lighting Committee

As a result of the acceptance of Article 23, at the annual town meeting in 1954 this committee was appointed by the Moderator to see that the provisions of this article were properly discharged.

The street lights were ordered from the Cape and Vineyard Electric Co. and were installed and operating by June 1, 1954. Single lights were placed on the following streets, Mechanic, West Vine, Tremont, Franklin, Montello, Conant, Atlantic Avenue, Court, Law, Brewster, Holway Avenue and Bradford Street. Two lights were installed on Cottage and Conwell Streets and three were installed on Winthrop Street. A new installation was made at the West End breakwater at the Pilgrim Memorial tablet.

Your present committee has been in effect for five consecutive years and during that time has supervised the replacement of 159 old type 600 lumen lights with 25 modern 6000 lumens and 134 of the 2500 lumen lamps. This has been a major project that has been carried out over this five year period. All our main streets have been brought up to standard along with most of our side streets. There are isolated 600 lumen lights that should be replaced with at least the 2500 type which can be done by individual petition in the warrant.

We feel that this type committee is no longer needed and that the relighting program started five years ago has been completed. It has been a pleasure to serve the town in this capacity during this period of time. The support of the citizens and the cooperation of the Cape and Vineyard officials are to be commended.

Dog Officer

Dogs impounded	14	Animals Removed from Highways	
Dogs destroyed at Pound	8	Dogs	57
Dogs returned to owners	12	Cats	94
Dogs licensed	314	Skunks	20
		Pigeons	12
		Rats	4
		Rabbits	3
		Hens	2

Lower Cape Ambulance Association

Balance on hand December 31, 1953 \$1,293.05

RECEIPTS

Town of Provincetown—Appropriation	\$1,750.00	
Town of Truro—Appropriation	700.00	
Town of Wellfleet—Appropriation	1,050.00	
Services and donations	370.00	
		<u>3,870.00</u>
		\$5,163.05

EXPENDITURES

Gas and Oil	582.69	
Drivers	1,528.00	
Upkeep and Repairs	326.26	
Equipment	20.49	
Laundry	16.71	
Meals	123.25	
Insurance	320.83	
Telephone	52.81	
Social Security Taxes	45.03	
Treasurer's Bond	12.50	
Miscellaneous	31.53	
		<u>3,060.10</u>
Transfer to Replacement Fund		1,000.00
Balance on hand December 31, 1954		1,102.95
		<u>\$5,163.05</u>

REPLACEMENT FUND

Balance on hand December 31, 1954		\$2,531.99
On deposit in Seamen's Savings Bank	\$1,266.93	
On deposit in Wellfleet Savings Bank	1,265.06	
		<u>\$2,531.99</u>

Number of trips		153
Provincetown	88—58%	
Truro	19—12%	
Wellfleet	43—28%	
Mutual Assistance	3—02%	
(Orleans—2)		
(Brewster—1)		

Fire Department

The Board of Engineers respectfully submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1954.

FEBRUARY 12, 1954. Still alarm at 6:45 a. m. for brush fire on Alden Street back of cemetery. Caused by workmen burning rubbish, no damage.

MARCH 27, 1954. Still alarm at 9:00 A. M. for fire at 15 Court Street, shop owned by George and Irene Silva, caused by flooded space heater, causing considerable smoke damage.

MARCH 27, 1954. Alarm sounded at 3:30 P. M. for fire at 197 Commercial Street. Dwelling owned by John R. Small, apartment occupied by Harry Jordan. Mr. Jordan had to be rescued by firemen, he suffered from burns and shock.

MARCH 31, 1954. Alarm sounded at 7:35 P. M. for fire on light pole near Bayberry Cottages. Beach Point. Pole had been struck by a car.

APRIL 10, 1954. Still alarm at 2:30 P. M. for brush fire off State Highway near New Beach. Caused by sparks from an incinerator, no damage to woodland.

APRIL 15, 1954. Alarm sounded at 6:30 P. M. for fire at 33 Pearl Street. Dwelling owned by Mr. William Lockhart. Caused by faulty chimney.

APRIL 20, 1954. Still alarm at 12:30 P. M. for brush fire back of Howland Street. Assistant Chief Pierce and Pumper No. 3 responded.

APRIL 20, 1954. Still alarm at 3:30 P. M. for brush fire in woods off Alden Street. Pumper No. 3 responded.

JUNE 17, 1954. Alarm sounded at 4:45 P. M. for brush fire off Conwell Street. All apparatus responded.

JUNE 21, 1954. Alarm sounded at 2:00 P. M. for brush fire on Grace Hall property. No damage to property.

JUNE 25, 1954. Alarm sounded at 7:15 A. M. for fire at 157 Commercial Street. Dwelling owned by Florence Goodwin. Investigation proved no fire just smoke from back draft from fireplace.

JUNE 26, 1954. Still alarm at 2:30 P. M. for fire at 29 Pleasant Street. Dwelling owned by Mrs. Elsie Souza. Caused by flooded oil burner. No damage.

JUNE 26, 1954. Alarm sounded at 7:30 P. M. for fire on boat Nor Easter operated at the time by R. W. Nixon, Marblehead, small explosion caused by gas fumes.

JUNE 27, 1954. Alarm sounded at 10:30 A. M. for fire between planks on Monument Dock, caused by cigarette.

JULY 3, 1954. Alarm sounded at 2:30 P. M. for fire on town pier, caused by cigarette.

JULY 5, 1954. Alarm sounded at 5:00 A. M. for car afire at Cottage Street. Car owned by Carl Lambertlin, East Longmeadow, Mass. Rear cushion burnt.

JULY 5, 1954. Alarm sounded at 10:00 P. M. for fire at White Heather Cottage, Beach Point, occupied by Lt. Col. Males. Plastic curtain near radiator ignited burning door frame.

JULY 7, 1954. Still alarm at 10:30 A. M. for fire at Hawthorne Studio, Miller Hill Road. Refrigerator motor burned out, no damage to dwelling. Chief Matta and Engineer Noonan responded.

JULY 9, 1954. False alarm at 12:30 P. M. for fire at Capt. Jack's Wharf.

JULY 9, 1954. False Alarm at 9:30 P. M. for fire out at New Beach.

JULY 14, 1954. Alarm sounded at 6:00 P. M. for fire at town pier, caused by cigarette.

JULY 22, 1954. Still alarm at 10:30 P. M. for fire at town dump. Pumper 4 responded.

JULY 23, 1954. Alarm sounded at 10:00 P. M. for fire in shed at 242 Bradford Street, owned by Raymond P. Chaffin. Extinguished with booster hose.

AUGUST 15, 1954. Still alarm at 2:30 P. M. for car leaking gas on Bradford Street. Assistant Chief Pierce responded.

AUGUST 15, 1954. Still alarm at 4:00 P. M. for fire on town pier. Chief Matta responded.

AUGUST 24, 1954. Alarm sounded at 6:30 P. M. for fire at Buccaneer Cottages. Call for help came from Chief Joseph, Truro, Mass.

AUGUST 26, 1954. Still alarm at 9:50 A. M. for fire at 9 Bangs Street, dwelling occupied by Joseph Dutra. Caused by flooded oil burner, fire out when Chief arrived.



SEPTEMBER 4, 1954. Still alarm at 7:45 P. M. for fire at 39 Pleasant Street, dwelling occupied by Raymond Souza. Investigation proved no fire, smoke caused from water heater.

SEPTEMBER 13, 1954. Alarm sounded at 6:30 P. M. for fire at 443 Commercial Street, dwelling occupied by Peter Hunt. Sparks from fireplace set roof afire.

NOVEMBER 3, 1954. Alarm sounded at 6:30 A. M. for fire at 131 Bradford Street, dwelling occupied by Mrs. Mary Martin. Flooded space heater, no fire damage.

NOVEMBER 6, 1954. Still alarm at 10:30 A. M. for fire near Wood End Light. Chief Matta and Assistant Chief Pierce investigated and found no fire.

NOVEMBER 10, 1954. Still alarm at 8:30 A. M. for fire at First National Bank. Fire in cardboard box containing cleaning rags.

NOVEMBER 13, 1954. Alarm sounded at 6:30 P. M. for fire on boat owned by Fred Salvador. Caused by short circuit.

NOVEMBER 30, 1954. Alarm sounded at 10:30 P. M. for brush fire at new highway.

DECEMBER 8, 1954. Alarm sounded at 10:30 P. M. for fire at 8 Webster Place, dwelling occupied by Florence Perry. Caused by car chains damaging underground cable entering house.

DECEMBER 14, 1954. Still alarm at 11:30 P. M. to rescue cat in tree. Pumper 4 responded.

DECEMBER 14, 1954. Alarm sounded at 9:35 P. M. for car afire in Vocational School, a 1937 Plymouth sedan owned by Richard Santos.

Provincetown Rescue Squad

Record of Calls — 1954

JANUARY 2, 1954. At 3:30 P. M. received call from Telephone Operator to go to Shank Painter's Pond where a young boy had fallen through the ice. Reported and found that the boy had been rescued and was under the care of Dr. Hiebert.

JANUARY 9, 1954. Call came from Telephone Operator to go to North Truro where a man had been buried in clay pit. Reported but there was nothing the squad could do as the man had been killed.

MARCH 27, 1954. Fire at John Small's Apartment. Harry Jordan suffering from burns and in poor condition was removed to the Cape Cod Hospital in Red Cross Ambulance by Squad members.

MAY 14, 1954. Called by Dr. Hiebert to take Mrs. John Leonard home from his office where she had been treated for a broken leg.

MAY 21, 1954. Call at 8:15 P. M. from John Viera of Conwell Street for help because of a broken gas line in refrigerator. Squad responded with use of the Air Pack.

JUNE 1, 1954. Call came in at 6 P. M. from Dr. Hiebert to bring in Mrs. John Leonard for X-Rays. Mrs. Leonard was X-Rayed and then taken home by squad members.

JUNE 6, 1954. Call came at 9:40 P. M. from Officer Bent of Police Department to help in releasing boy, whose leg had become caught in a tree. Child was released and taken home.

JUNE 14, 1954. Call came at 3:45 A. M. from Police Department for searching party to look for a man reported lost in the dunes. Searching party assembled and later dismissed as man had found his way home.

JUNE 18, 1954. Call came at 12:45 P. M. from Dr. Perry to move Harry West from his bed to a hospital bed. Call completed.

JUNE 19, 1954. Call at 12:45 from Dr. Hiebert to bring in Mrs. Hoffman for X-Ray of back injury. After X-Rays Mrs. Hoffman was taken home by squad members.

JUNE 26, 1954. First Aid given to Miss Hanson for burns on arms and legs during a boat fire on Sklaroff's Wharf.

JUNE 27, 1954. Call came at 2:30 P. M. for a searching party to look for small boy who was later found asleep in his room.

JULY 12, 1954. Called at 4:30 P. M. by Dr. Hiebert to bring in Mrs. E. D. Rutenoos for X-Rays of possible hip fracture. Woman was X-Rayed and taken home.

AUGUST 24, 1954. Two firemen given First Aid for cuts and bruises received at fire at Buccaneer Hotel.

AUGUST 31, 1954. Call at 2:30 P. M. from Mrs. John Shaw for warm blankets and transportation for Mrs. Weiss and her three children, during hurricane. Help was given.

AUGUST 31, 1954. Called at 4:30 P. M. during Hurricane Carol, from Horace Hallett to take cots and blankets up to Hyannis Red Cross Building. Blankets and cots were taken up by squad members in Red Cross Ambulance.

SEPTEMBER 10, 1954. Night before hurricane, call came from Horace Hallett to set up cots and bring in food and blankets to High School. Cots, blankets and food were taken to school by squad members.

SEPTEMBER 11, 1954. Call from Dr. Hiebert to move sick man from front room of Figurehead House to a back room, because of danger of a falling tree. Man moved.

SEPTEMBER 21, 1954. Called at 6 P. M. by Dr. Hiebert to move Mrs. Alice Lewis, who was very ill, from her own home to that of her daughter. Mrs. Lewis was moved and placed in a hospital bed in her daughter's home.

OCTOBER 16, 1954. Called by Dr. Hiebert to bring in Benjamin Chapman for X-Rays. Mr. Chapman was X-Rayed and squad members took him home.

OCTOBER 22, 1954. Squad was called at 4:00 P. M. to help accident victims at junction of Conwell Street and Route 6. Help and First Aid given to victims, and Squad member John Craves, (one of the victims) and his daughter were taken to Cape Cod Hospital in Rescue Truck.

DECEMBER 6, 1954. Called by Dr. Corea at 6:00 P. M. to take Miss Teresa Farley to Cape Cod Hospital for emergency appendectomy. As the regular Ambulance was in Boston, Squad members took her in the Rescue Truck.

DECEMBER 23, 1954. Called at 2:35 P. M. by Dr. Corea to take Mr. Donald Gleason to Cape Cod Hospital for emergency operation. As regular Ambulance was not available the man was taken in the Rescue Truck.

Civil Defense Director

During the year 1954 Civil Defense personnel have been called out twice for actual emergencies, hurricanes "Carol" and "Edna", and twice for county and statewide practice alerts.

The response in each instance was excellent as was the cooperation of the general public. Key personnel were alerted early for both hurricanes and remained on duty until the danger had passed.

Members of the Fire Department Rescue Squad, using the Red Cross station wagon, evacuated Beach Point residents who so desired from their cottages, taking them to the high school, where sleeping accommodations were set up and supervised by Civilian War Aid and hot meals served by the Red Cross Canteen.

Both instances proved the value of trained Civil Defense units in peacetime emergencies.

Unfortunately it is difficult to arouse much enthusiasm for this sort of training when definite emergencies are not immediately apparent. However we do have a good nucleus for an efficient Civil Defense organization, and I am confident that if serious trouble occurs there will be a prompt response of the necessary workers.

As there are still funds on hand in the Civil Defense account, and any money needed could be made available promptly in case of an actual emergency no appropriation will be requested in the 1955 budget.

Sealer of Weights and Measures

WEIGHING AND MEASURING DEVICES

Total number sealed	202
Total number not sealed	10

COMMODITIES

Total Weighing and Measuring sold or put up for sale	
Total number tested	454
Total number correct	375

SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS MADE

Peddlers Licenses	27
Ice Scales	3
Marking of Bread	72
Food Packages	57
Vegetables	147
Peddlers Scales	12
Other inspections	139

Sealers Fees turned into the Town Treasurer \$98.00 \$98.00

Building Inspection

1954 PERMITS ISSUED

Month	Number	Cost of Construction.
January	4	\$ 13,800
February	4	411,500
March	4	4,100
April	8	3,050
May	1	200
June	5	3,750
July	7	12,250
August	1	200
September	7	6,800
October	8	26,790
November	1	2,100
December	2	1,500
	52	\$486,040

Six applications were referred to the Zoning Board of Appeals for variance.

Four complaints of building violations were investigated.

Planning Board

The present Planning Board, appointed during 1954, met frequently starting early in the fall and on December 7, 1954, conducted a Public Hearing on some proposed changes in the Zoning By-Law. These were later acted upon at Special Town Meeting, December 17, 1954. A Report of the Planning Board was made at that time covering activities and opinions of the members to date.

Since the above Special Meeting the Planning Board has again met frequently considering some of the problems present under the existing Zoning By-Law as well as the possible need for Sub-Division Control and a Building Code. At the 1955 Annual Town Meeting it is again planned to introduce some proposed amendments to the existing Zoning By-Law and also determine the sentiments of the voters with respect to investigation and later adoption of Sub-Division Control and a Building Code.

Zoning Board

MARCH 26th, the appeal of Thomas E. Fitzpatrick was heard, the request being to build a roof over the porch on the shore side of 275 Commercial Street. Numerous objections, request denied.

AUGUST 13th, the appeal of Manuel Ferreira to rebuild accessory building into a home at 21 Montello Street, the appeal of Anthony Menangas to remodel a garage into a home at 11 Alden Street, and the appeal of Henry B. Fisk to use premises at 12 Johnson Street as a funeral home were all heard. Fisk appeal granted. The other two appeals were denied by four members on the ground that petitioners failed to appear. The secretary voted in favor of granting the variances involved.

OCTOBER 22nd, the Board was asked under Section 7, Paragraph 2 to render an opinion on the necessity for a variance in the matter of the petition of Max Finkel to make alterations to an industrial property. On October 27th, the Board informed the Selectmen that they had no jurisdiction to hear the matter since the use was a conforming one.

OCTOBER 8th, the Board granted the appeal of John R. and Velma C. Ham to raise the rear and east side of the dwelling at 420 Commercial Street. No opposition. The Board by a 3 to 2 decision denied the appeal of Robert Johnson to build a one-story building for general business on Route 6. This decision was appealed from and is now

awaiting trial. The Town has retained Richard D. Gerould, Cambridge, Mass., to defend the Board.

There were numerous meetings of the Board. At one of them the following rules were formulated:

1. There shall be one notice published in one issue of a coming hearing.
2. The one asking for the hearing shall be present in person or by an authorized representative.
3. Applicants for a variance must apply in writing using the prepared form.
4. All letters to abutters involving a variance shall be registered.
5. A proper plan must accompany all requests for variance.

Airport Commission

The Provincetown Airport Commission respectfully submits herewith the annual report for the year ending December 31, 1954.

During the year 1954 there has been no change in the operation of the Provincetown Municipal Airport, and no change is recommended, as the present system has proven to be most successful. As in past years maintenance has been of a minor nature, the usual grass cutting on the shoulders adjacent to the runway and a minor repair to the fence at the entrance to the plane parking lot.

No appropriated funds are requested for the year 1955.

The report of the Airport Manager is submitted herewith as part of this report.

Airport Manager

This is the seventh Annual Report of the Airport Manager to the Provincetown Airport Commission and it is with pleasure that we point to 1954 as the most successful year in the History of Provincetown Airport and resultant benefit to the Town.

6054 passengers were flown between Provincetown and Boston during the year, a substantial increase over the 1952 record of 5044 and a marked increase over last year's figure of 4302. In addition about 1000 persons were flown between Provincetown and Bedford, a suburb of Boston. Additional passenger flights originated in Provincetown to airports all over New England and points beyond rendering important scheduled and non-scheduled air transportation to Provincetown and adjacent communities.

One of the most important community benefits during 1954 was the

realization of Air Mail Service between Provincetown and Boston which commenced July 19, 1954, and continued through September 15. This will be resumed from July 1 through September 15 of each year carrying all first class and preferential mail. A total of 5985 lbs. of mail were flown over the route during 1954 with 5338 northbound and 647 southbound.

Visiting aircraft both private and military continued to make frequent use of the Provincetown Airport especially during the summer months with the private planes carrying in a type of visitor of real economic benefit to the community. Rental cars were made available during the summer as further benefit to the visitors.

While no funds are necessary for operating expenses during 1955, consideration must be given to the following capital improvements felt necessary by your manager:

- Fertilization of runway shoulders.
- Resurfacing of the runway as required by CAA.
- Sealcoating of part of the apron parking area.
- Expansion of the plane parking area.
- Expansion of the car parking area.
- Improvement of the intersection of the driveway and the State Highway.

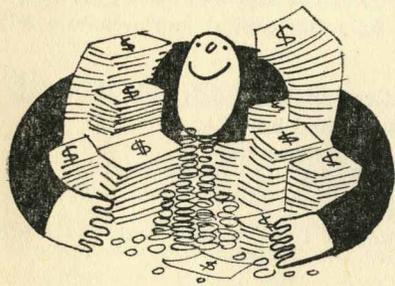
Some of these are very minor in nature requiring little expense while others involve considerable capital and must be planned for at once. The Provincetown Municipal Airport benefits the overall economy of the Town more than most people realize, and it is a pleasure to be connected with this project.

Town Collector and Treasurer

During the year 1954 receipts totaling \$703,495.20 were received by this office, and total disbursements were in the amount of \$1,141,723.39.

Detailed Statements of Tax Collector's and Treasurer's receipts and disbursements, will be found in the Auditor's report.

Tax bills were mailed late in 1954 since the property assessment was not carried out in January as usual, and Commitments were not received by the Collector until July 1954. Nevertheless at the close of business on December 31, 1954, 84% of the 1954 Real Estate Commitment had been collected. All outstanding Tax Commitments on that date totaled \$62,681.23.



Tax payers are reminded that delinquent accounts after November 1st of the year of commitment carry an interest charge of 4%, dating back to October 1st and accounts unpaid on October 1st the year following date of

commitment are satisfied by the taking of Tax Titles.

The practice of allowing water taxes to remain unpaid for several years has now been discontinued. Water Tax payments must be made on a current basis or water service to delinquent takers will be discontinued.

No temporary loans were made in 1954, but it is anticipated that some money will be borrowed on a temporary basis to finance Town operations during the early months of 1955.

As authorized by vote of Town Meeting the Treasurer and Selectmen sold a bond issue in the amount of \$380,000.00 on May 25, 1954 to finance construction of the New Elementary School. The issue was sold to Weeden and Co., at an interest rate of 2.20% and accrued interest and premium in the amount of \$2,092.55 was received.

It has not only been a pleasure, but also an educational experience working with and under the able supervision of Thomas M. Libby, Town Manager, and the very helpful assistance of William Garten, Town Accountant, and the full cooperation of the Board of Selectmen.

VALUATION—JANUARY 1, 1954

REAL ESTATE	
Land	\$2,900,430.00
Buildings	5,368,870.00
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Total	\$8,269,300.00
PERSONAL ESTATE	
	655,415.00
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Total Real and Personal	\$8,924,715.00

1954 TAX RATE COMPUTATION

EXPENDITURES	
Town Appropriations	\$683,458.31
State Assessments	6,219.70
County Assessments	51,610.85
Overlay	15,390.24
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Gross Amount Raised	\$756,679.10
REVENUES—NON-TAX	
Estimated Receipts	\$247,308.94
Overestimates, 1953	1,959.14
Available Funds	201,872.71
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Total Non-Tax Revenue	\$451,140.79
TAX REVENUES	
1049 Polls at \$2.00	\$ 2,098.00
Personal Property Tax—655,415 x \$34.00	22,284.11
Real Estate Tax—8,269,300 x \$34.00	281,156.20
Supplemental Taxes Committed	846.91
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Total Tax Revenue	\$306,385.22

Advertising Fund

Attached is a breakdown of inquiries received from various advertising media which constituted the greater portion of funds expended during 1954 for advertising purposes.

I believe it can be said that we achieved considerable success in our efforts to interest people in Provincetown as a vacation resort.

17,623 inquiries were received from people in all parts of the United States, as well as 2 from Europe. To all of these some form of literature was sent by the Chamber of Commerce. How many of these people visited us is not known, but I believe we can rest assured that our literature has planted in their minds a seed which may develop next year and on through several years time. If we can from year to year nurture these seeds and plant new ones our advertising will be very successful.

Wherever possible we must spend such funds as may be available where it will do us the most good. This means that local signs which we all may see should be eschewed, for we live here, we love the place—why talk to ourselves? The best expenditure would be that which we would never see, except as inquiries roll in from various parts of the country, thus inducing others to love Provincetown and spend such time as they may have here with us.

A difficulty we encountered this year was lack of time. Summer was almost upon us before our advertising was placed. Within the next few days I shall forward to you some thoughts on advertising for 1955. I realize that nothing can be done officially until Town Meeting is over, however, if we can have plans made and approved at the time of approval by the Town, we will be that much ahead; always assuming the Town will approve, of course!

EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS ADVERTISING APPROPRIATION 1954

1. MAGAZINE ADVERTISING

A 5 inch advertisement was placed in the July issue of Holiday Magazine which reached the newstands on June 18, 1954.

Inquiries received 1,428

2. NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING

2 inch advertisements were placed in the following newspapers:

2 issues Boston Globe (part of a cooperative page) 3,452
2 issues Boston Herald 617

4 issues Worcester Telegram	83
4 issues Hartford Times	126
4 issues Washington Post	921
1 issue Christian Science Monitor	376
4 issues Toronto Star	1,841
4 issues Montreal Standard	2,384
1 issue Salt Lake Tribune	104
1 issue New Bedford Standard Times (Invitational Issue)	211
4 issues New York Times	6,079
1 issue Columbus Dispatch	21
Total	17,623

3. EMERGENCY ADVERTISING

With the coming of "Carol" and the resulting poor publicity given the Cape by State officials, newspapers and radio commentators, radio time and newspaper space was taken just prior to Labor Day weekend in an effort to get the facts before people in Boston and New York. What benefit we derived from this advertising it is difficult to determine. What the weekend would have been like had we not undertaken the advertising we did do is, of course, unknown. We, at least, had the satisfaction of knowing that we did do something.

4. DISPLAY SIGNS

An attractive sign was placed at the entrance to Town where it remained until "Carol" arrived. It was then moved to a spot next to the "Flagship", for safekeeping, until a new location for the 1955 season is determined. This requires only small touch-up work to remove the damages of blown sand and water.

5. OTHER

Funds were transferred from the Town Movie and Publicity budgets for the purpose of the emergency advertising described above. Accordingly, very little was expended for either of these items. In the former case, about \$28; in the latter less than \$100.

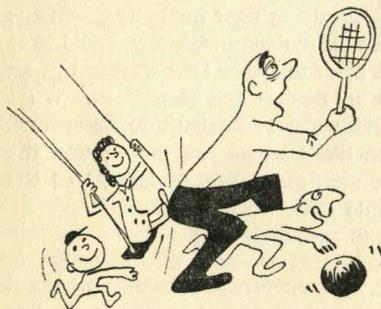
No action was taken on "Outdoor Advertising" since all desirable poster boards had been rented by the time we were able to begin work.

Appropriation:	\$2,500.00
Expended:	2,146.85
Returned to Town:	\$ 353.15

Playground Committee

By quickly passing the playground articles at the 1954 annual Town Meeting, the voters showed gratifying confidence in the playground program and greatly encouraged this committee to go on with its work to bring more opportunity for recreation to the youth of Provincetown.

Shortly after the meeting, with the cooperation of the Board of Selectmen, arrangements were made to purchase the land owned by Richard Samuel on Nickerson Street as approved by the voters. In the early spring, with the help and advice of Mr. Libby, the Town Manager, plans



were drawn up for grading and laying out a basketball court on the now town-owned area. Meanwhile, bids were asked on the building of a twelve foot fence for back-stop purposes on the front and back of the court.

At this same time bids were also asked for completion of the fence needed at the Howland Street area. The work was awarded to Security Fence Company of Wey-

mouth and carried out very promptly. Available funds permitted only a thin layer of asphalt to be applied over the court's surface, and a minimum of work on the embankment was done. Two fine basketball goals and baskets were brought from storage and erected on the court, making it available for immediate use.

Although funds available were inadequate the committee was pleased that the court at least was suitable for prompt use even though further grading and completion of the area would later be necessary.

Unfortunately neighbors in the immediate area of the court were soon disturbed by children chasing balls on their property, etc., and the committee decided to request funds for further fencing off of the area. The finance committee, however, refused this request and the playground committee was unable therefore to give the relief requested by these neighbors.

At this time a Basketball Council was organized with the following members: Mr. Frank Rogers, Mr. Manuel White, and Mr. David Murphy. The council met with the committee and Mr. Libby to formulate policies for the use of the new court which by now was a very busy and popular place.

The usual early spring painting and repairing were carried out on both playgrounds and when school recessed, the two areas were ready for the busy summer ahead. A large amount of clean white sand, donated by Whitehead Bros. Sand Co., was placed in the Howland Street playground to replace the old sand which had become quite dirty from the frequent flooding of the intersection of Bradford and Howland Streets.

A large sign was erected on each playground stating it was open to the public, and many persons expressed their pleasure that the town was offering these facilities.

Supervision at both playground was carried out much along the lines of previous summers. Miss Jeanne Travis and Miss Laurentine Souza worked at the Nickerson Street area, and supervision was maintained seven days a week during the busy hours of day and early evening. Miss Martha Malicoat supervised the Howland Street playground mornings and evenings, and Mrs. Victor Pacellini helped there in late afternoon hours.

Since the playgrounds seem to know no season but rather to be in use on good days the greater part of the year, some after-school supervision was maintained during fall and spring as far as funds would permit. During such periods, Miss Avis Perry supervised the east-end playground and Miss Laurentine Souza in the west-end playground.

In closing this report, we hope the voters will support the playground articles as heartily as they have in the past for the benefit of the children of Provincetown who use the playgrounds so much.

Swimming Committee

The second year of the town-sponsored swimming lessons was most successful with great interest in the course being shown by local parents and summer visitors. Much appreciation for the instruction was frequently expressed, and there is no doubt but that the town has made many friends through these water-safety courses.

Since Miss Martha Malicoat was again available as the certified Red Cross swimming instructor, the committee arranged for her to teach each afternoon during an eight week period from July through August, and to bring the classes to various areas along the harbor beach during this period. Miss Malicoat combined her position as swimming instructor afternoons with a morning supervisory job on the Howland Street playground, and thus was able to give a long summer of teaching on the \$250 appropriated for the swimming instruction.

Because children who take the beginners' courses usually come back again and again to take more difficult courses there will undoubtedly be more enrollment in future classes than there was in the first year or two. At some future time, a full-time instructor will probably be needed, but for the summer of 1955 the committee is asking for \$300.00 plus an additional \$25 with which to have suitable posters and printed schedules made up. This printed matter will be a great asset to the project and help to increase attendance by eliminating confusion in the matter of information as to where the course will be conducted each day.

Rainy weather, especially during August, interfered with progress of some of the various classes, but, nevertheless, many children completed the courses and all of those who took one or two lessons, only, at least learned some of the fundamentals of water safety. At the end of the courses, Miss Malicoat submitted the following summary of her work: 170 children completed the courses which was 40 more than last year.

At one time in August 110 children were waiting to register at the Howland Street beach.

Of 93 beginners, 41 passed the tests

Of 44 intermediates, 34 passed the tests

Of 23 swimmers, 21 passed the tests

3 girls passed the senior life-saving course.

2 girls completed and passed the junior life-saving course.

The committee was highly pleased with Miss Malicoat's work and feels she has made a very valuable contribution to the youngsters by so ably carrying out the various courses in water-safety as outlined by the American Red Cross. It is our sincere hope the Town will continue to appropriate funds for this program which brings so much for so little cost to our community.

Summer Baseball Committee

Through the cooperation of the Provincetown voters, Little League Baseball was continued in 1954. Planned schedules were again arranged whereby organized baseball was enjoyed by ten uniformed teams accomodating boys in one group from 8 to 10 years of age, in another from 13 to 15, and a junior men's team from 16 to 17.

Managers and Coaches of the various teams report that real baseball talent is developing in this program, and recommend that the League be continued. However, they feel that more organization is necessary to continue Little League Baseball and recommend further that some local club or association carry on the program if it is to remain successful as the majority of this work is being done by a small group of individuals who sacrifice more of their time than can be spared during the summer season.

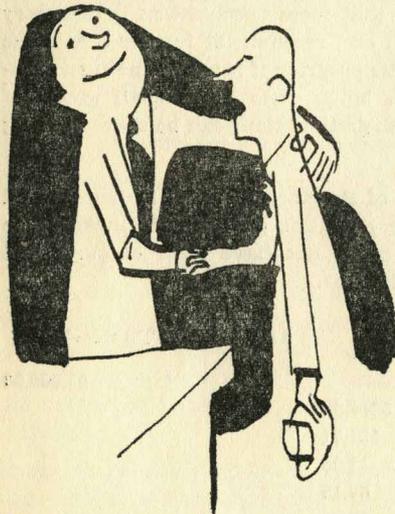
We wish to commend the citizens of Provincetown, the managers, and umpires, who volunteered their services this past year in making the season a success, as the program could not have been accomplished without their cooperation and assistance.

EXPENSES—1954		APPROPRIATION—1954	
Misc. Mdse. Bats, balls, replacement uniforms, etc.	May 1954	\$216.52	\$1,000.00
Misc. Mdse. etc.	June 1954	151.71	
Travel Expense	June 1954	11.00	
Misc. Mdse.	July 1954	69.15	
Misc. Mdse.	Aug. 1954	18.00	
Rental Power Lawn Mower for Season		40.00	
Misc. Mdse.	Season	10.48	
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		\$516.86	
Bal. to Revenue		483.14	
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		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00

Welfare Department

This is my third Annual Report as Agent of the Board of Public Welfare. It is my first report as Agent being responsible for the control and supervision of the General Relief program and the Town Infirmary. It is also the first report under our Selectmen-Manager form of Government and to you acting as the Board of Public Welfare.

Conforming to the law and ever changing rules and regulations of the categorical assistance programs is an exacting task and requires, as you already know, constant reinvestigations, revisits and reviews, of



the many items which constitute eligibility. This office and its entire staff is fully aware of the major responsibility which is theirs in properly determining eligibility, continuing eligibility or loss of eligibility, for all cases to meet necessary requirements under the categorical programs. We also recognize our responsibility in protecting the taxpayers from unwarranted, or needless and careless, handling of public assistance funds.

It is our policy to give all needy persons the courteous and confidential treatment which law and common decency require.

Every effort to eliminate the undeserving or ineligible recipient is exerted and we are constantly screening and reviewing the cases to prevent "chiseling". Since the addition of one more social worker (June 16, 1954) this department has been able to bring all case revisits, reinvestigations and reviews, up to date.

State Standard budgeting is rigidly enforced and all cases receive full standard allotments for allowable items. Each case is receiving the maximum benefits from public assistance programs. Medical and dental needs are allowed on an "as needed" basis and when verified by medical reports.

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (O.A.A.)

Total pay roll for year	\$152,791.95
Federal Apportionment	59,700.65
State	63,639.43
Town	29,451.87

(Included in the \$152,791.95 yearly total is \$34,105.39 Medical Payments)

Hospitalization:		
General	528 days	\$ 7,083.50
Chronic	358 days	3,577.00
Physicians:		
House Visits	2,846	10,318.11
Office Visits	416	1,270.30
Nursing Homes:		
Cases	43	5,801.82
Drugs:		4,731.48
Dental Care:		
Cases	12	593.10
Outpatient Care:	4	37.00
Optometry:	35	565.00
Visiting Nurse Association	1	1.00
Other:		126.58
Total		\$34,104.89

The highest case load was 146 in the month of February
The lowest case load was 132 in the month of September

New cases added during year	16
Cases closed during year	23
Cases denied during year	12
Appeals for increases denied by State Referee	5
Provincetown cases aided in other cities and towns	6
Other city and town cases aided by Provincetown	5
Present January 1, 1955 case load	132

LIEN LAW AND RECOVERY ACCOUNT

Since January 1, 1952 and in accordance with Chapter 801, acts of 1951, all recipients of Old Age Assistance must accept a lien on their real estate, including those having only a "life interest". We have filed 89 recorded liens, since January 1, 1952.

We have discharged eleven liens and recovered "full satisfaction" (Amount of assistance granted since January 1, 1952) totalling \$9,277.44. All recoveries go into the O.A.A. recovery account.

There are at the present time in immediate process for recovery five (5) cases. Out of \$13,830.51 which has been granted these five cases since January 1, 1952 it is estimated that \$7,251.74 will be recovered from 3 of the cases. There may be some recovery from the remaining two (2) cases but exemptions allowed in the lien law might require a discharge of both liens without recovery.

There is no lien or recovery against estates of Aid to Dependent Children recipients. However, there is an "agreement to sign a lien at a later date" for applicants/recipients of Disability Assistance.

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (A.D.C.)

Total pay roll for the year		\$27,951.00
Federal Apportionment		10,360.60
State		9,317.02
Town		8,273.38
(Included in the \$27,951.00 total is \$4,361.42 Medical payments.)		
Hospitalization:		
General	226 days	\$2,283.00
Physicians:		
House Visits	133	673.00
Office Visits	63	496.00
Drugs:		315.52
Dental Care:		
Cases	26	477.00
Outpatient Care:	2	4.00
Optometry:	8	101.00
Other		11.90
Total		\$4,361.42

The highest case load was 24 in November	
The lowest case load was 14 in August	
New cases added during year	9
Cases closed during year	15
Cases denied	6
Appeals for increases denied by State Referee	2
Parents under court orders	8
Monthly amount of court orders	\$312.26
Number of cases receiving O.A.S.I. Benefits	3
Monthly amount of benefits	\$158.60
Present January 1, 1955 case load	21
Whereabouts parents unknown	4
Cases in process for legal action	6
Cases where parental adjudication is non-existent	1

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES (D.A.)

Total pay roll for the year		\$7,047.09
Federal Apportionment		1,761.77
State		3,641.52
Town		1,761.77
(Included in the \$7,047.09 total is \$5,117.07 medical payments.)		
Hospitalization:		
General	106 days	\$1,064.00
Chronic	368	3,495.72
Physicians:		
House Visits	91	309.00
Office Visits	6	32.00

Drugs:		94.35
Optometry	2	27.00
Total		\$5,022.07

The highest case load was 5 in August	
The lowest case load was 3 in November	
New cases added during year	2
Cases closed during year	5
Cases denied	8
Present case load January 1, 1955	1

GENERAL RELIEF

This is the catch-all public assistance category for which any resident, or any other person who is not a resident, being indigent and needy can be eligible. There are no eligibility disqualifications because of non-citizenship, age, infirmities, residence or settlement. Any person found within the limits of the town "in need" must be aided under this category. And persons having legal settlements here in Provincetown and not having been absent for five consecutive years can become a welfare case in some other city and town chargeable to this category. This is the only category of Public Assistance that is fully controlled by the local bureau.

We have established minimum eligibility factors. All cases must go through the usual and established assistance application intake process. As the application, interview and home visit, is being processed a complete investigation of resources, including, unemployment compensation, bank accounts, employment possibilities, insurance policies, etc., is also carried along to the point of determining eligibility.

If, and when eligibility is established a standard budgetary schedule is figured according to family size, etc. All able-bodied males are assigned to work on the Public Works. A check is maintained between the Superintendent of Highways and the Welfare Agent to determine if the applicant reported for work, how many hours, and what days. No welfare orders are given by the agent until the record of work has been cleared. Males who are obviously too old, or infirm, are not required to work. Young males claiming illness must file a physician's certificate. Females are also notified of work possibilities such as, housecleaning, baby sitting, etc.

Total expenditures 1954:		\$5,500.00
(Included in the \$5,500.00 yearly total is \$1,375.08 medical payments)		
Hospitalization:		
General	42 days	\$ 588.00
Chronic	10	100.00
Physicians:		
Home Visits	100	586.00

Drugs:		51.08
Dental Care:		
Cases	2	12.00
Optometry:	3	28.00
Other		10.00
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Total		\$1,375.08

The highest case load was 27 in January	
The lowest case load was 5 in December	
Cases closed during year	40
Cases denied	8
Employable cases	18
Cases settled another city reimbursement claimed	1
Provincetown settled cases aided other cities and towns	5
State cases for which reimbursement is claimed	2
Funeral expense claimed for 1 case	
Present January 1, 1955 case load	5

TOWN INFIRMARY

This institution was built by the Town as an "Alms House" in 1874. The infirmary is managed by a resident Matron and husband. It has a capacity of fourteen beds, although there are only seven inmates at present. The Infirmary is clean, comfortably furnished and being operated very capably by the matron, and we invite the taxpayer to visit and inspect the premises at any time they may select. However, it is obvious that institutions of his type, and particularly for such a small town, are obsolete and expensive. Under the broadened provisions of public assistance programs many smaller communities now provide for the Infirmary type case in Tweksbury State Hospital and Infirmary, other larger infirmaries or in private boarding homes.

We have been able to substantially reduce the cost of operation and maintenance by quantity and wholesale purchasing, use of the deep freeze installed by the Town and availability of more surplus commodities. We were also fortunate in having wind damage insurance to fall back on after the September hurricane and repairs to the roof and chimneys in the amount of \$518.89 were made and can be considered as a permanent improvement.

Beginning January 1, 1955, and the new fiscal year we have a stockpile of frozen foods, surplus commodities and other staples, along with full fuel tanks and the physical property is generally in good repair. There will be no outstanding bills. We do have \$500.00 in the "Repairs Infirmary" account with which we can meet licensing requirements.

All purchases must be requested by the matron, approved by the Welfare Agent supervising the Infirmary, who confers with the Town Manager on any major requests. Bills, vouchers and purchase orders,

must be signed and approved by the matron and countersigned by the agent before receiving final approval for payment. The matron is now keeping a classification book of all approved and itemized expenditures. The agent after countersigning and approving the vouchers keeps a ledger which is posted monthly and checked against the accountant's balance.

Admissions: 5	Highest Number inmates 7 in December
Discharges: 3	Lowest Number inmates 4 in March
Cases paying room and board	3
Monthly amount of R & B	\$129.99
Cases not paying room and board	4
Present inmate case load	7

In conclusion: I request that all local businesses and residents utilize the services of this department in obtaining labor, either permanent or temporary, male or female. We solicit calls and inquiries to decrease our welfare rolls. This, of course, applies to General Relief cases only.

Although an additional Junior Clerk-Typist was requested in my 1953 Annual Report to bring this office and staff up to standards it is most satisfying to be able to report that the additional worker is not needed at this time. We are well able to keep up with the present case load. And unless some unforeseen changes occur we expect to keep up to date and meet standard requirements.

We wish to thank all public officials, town officers, court officials, private organizations, school staff, visiting nurse, charitable groups, churches and the general public, for their cooperation with this Department.

Veterans Agent and Service Officer

Since May 15, 1954 when I took the office of Veterans Agent and Service Officer, I have handled 89 service cases and processed 132 forms including those for pension, compensation, hospitalization, education, insurance, medical, dental, bonus and discharges. These were handled for both the Veterans Administration and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

As of December 31, 1954 this office has a case load of 16 families receiving Veterans Benefits.

In addition your Veterans Agent attends at least one meeting a month of the Veterans Service Officers Association at various places in the State.

In closing may I assure the Veterans that it has been a pleasure to serve them as Veterans Agent and Service Officer.

Town Wharf

The year 1954 was a year of decision and accomplishment in connection with the Provincetown Town wharf. Faced with a major repair problem and an immediate expenditure of at least \$75,000 to repair only the most decayed section of the wharf under the buildings near the southwest end, the Town appropriated the sum of \$18,000 at the 1954 Annual Meeting with which to commence this work. Realizing the economic futility of such a program the Board of Selectmen commenced negotiating in May, 1954 with Federal and State agencies for financial assistance. As a result of these negotiations the Division of Waterways of the State Department of Public Works engaged an engineering firm, at State expense, to prepare a report on the structural condition and estimates of cost of repair on the wharf. The detailed report was submitted to the Town in August and contained some startling figures: of the 1347 bearing piles in the wharf, 537 were found to be unsound; of the 246 existing fender piles, 59 were of no structural value. Most of the bracing, both transverse and longitudinal as well as stringers and decking was found to be in very poor condition. The report concluded that due to structural defects the condition of the wharf was approaching a critical state and pending reconstruction or repair should be limited to lighter trucking and docking loads. The report suggested four approaches to the problem of repairing or reconstructing the wharf:

Method	Cost	Estimated life	Cost per year
No. 1 Temporary repairs	74,800	5 yrs.	14,960
No. 2 Full repair—timber construction	289,300	20 yrs.	14,465
No. 3 Full repair—concrete construction	277,600	20 yrs.	13,880
No. 4 Reconstruction—concrete	289,000	55 yrs.	5,255

Following consideration of this report negotiations for financial assistance were again commenced and it was quickly concluded that the State **would not participate financially in any temporary repair program.** Both State and Local Officials agreed that a complete reconstruction such as proposed in Method No. 4 was the only sound economical approach to the problem.

In September a hearing by Commissioner Volpe was held at Provincetown on application of the Selectmen for State aid on the proposed pier project. Subsequently it was announced by Governor Herter that the State would participate financially in the project to the extent of \$188,000 if the Town would provide an equal amount. The total cost was estimated at \$376,000 inasmuch as many improvements were considered desirable. At a Special Town Meeting held September 20, 1954

the Town authorized a transfer of available funds in the amount of \$50,000 and the issue of notes or bonds in the amount of \$120,000 to finance the Town's share of the new wharf; also, a transfer to this capital fund of the \$18,000 previously appropriated at the annual meeting. When it was pointed out at the town meeting that the average cost of structural maintenance on the present wharf was approximately \$11,500 per year, based on the actual total expenditures made during the previous ten years, and that the annual debt requirement for carrying the proposed wharf loan for twenty years would be less than \$8,000 annually, the project was approved by a unanimous vote.

In an effort to further solidify the operating economy of the new wharf, leases have been mutually agreed upon between Town officials and officials of the United States Coast Guard and United States Army. Rentals from these two sources should produce an annual revenue of approximately \$3,000. Previously, these services had enjoyed free use of wharf facilities. Also, by mutual agreement, Seafood Packers, Inc., who now have leases on the wharf, will pay a sizeable increase in rent to the Town. Negotiations are currently being carried on with the Wilson Lines, Inc., and it is expected that additional revenues will be forthcoming from this source. With these and other revenues that the new wharf is designed to produce, and considering that the new structure should be maintained free for a number of years it can be expected that the wharf will be self-supporting.

Plans for the new wharf are nearing completion and it is expected that construction will be commenced in early spring, 1955. The new wharf will be primarily of concrete design and will incorporate many new advantages not found on the old structure. In order to complete this new structure with a minimum loss of operation, the new wharf will be built easterly of the present pier allowing restricted use of the old structure until the new wharf is completed.

Harbor Development Committee

To the Citizens of Provincetown:

By your action on Article 24 Annual Town Meeting of February 8, 1954 a Committee was constituted to be known as the "Parking Area and Boat Basin Planning Committee", with instruction to investigate and make recommendations concerning the development of Provincetown Harbor as a safe haven for the fishing fleet, charter boat operators and as a potentially attractive port-of-call for visiting pleasure craft.

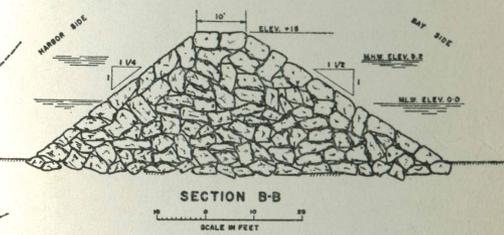
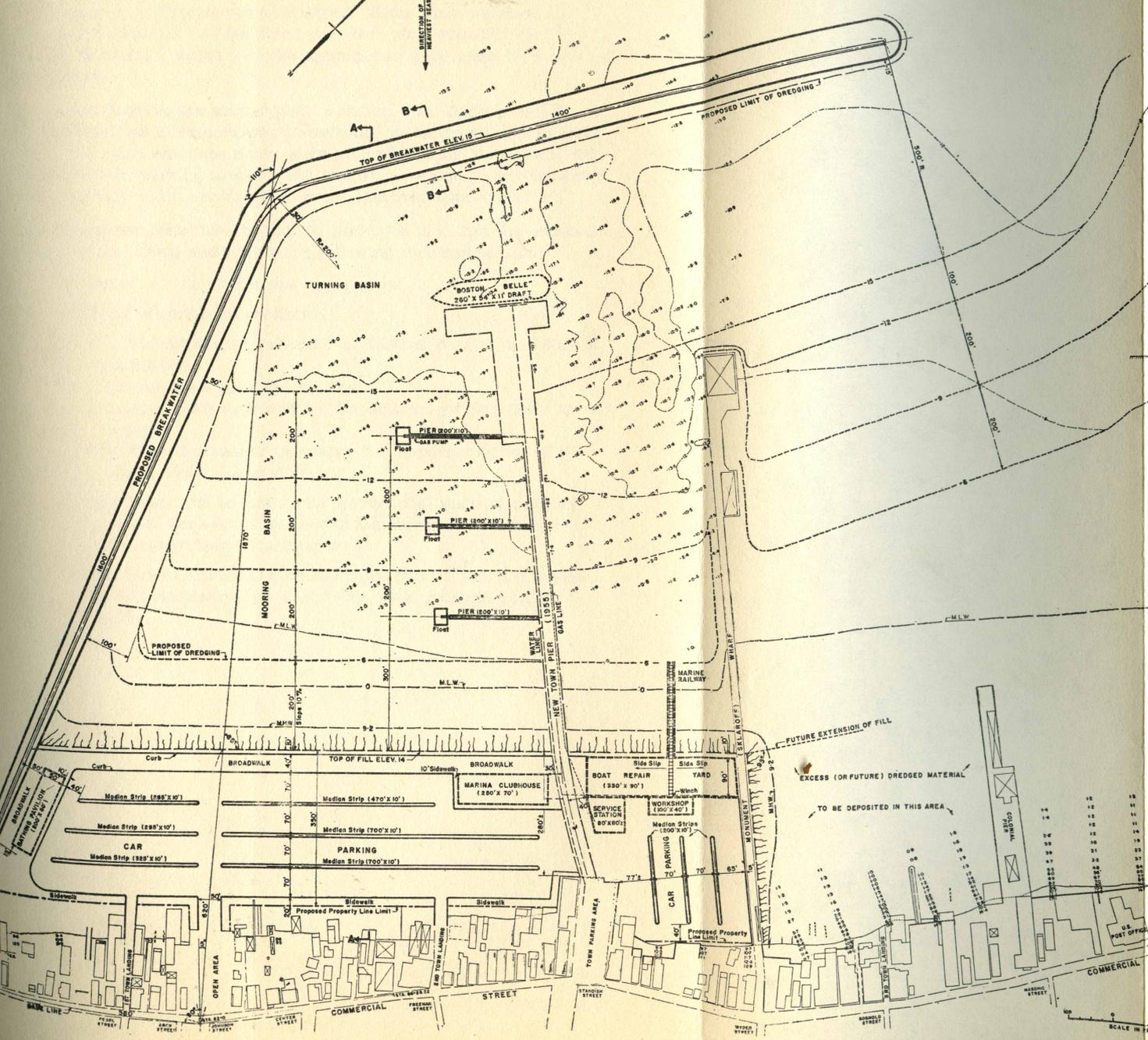
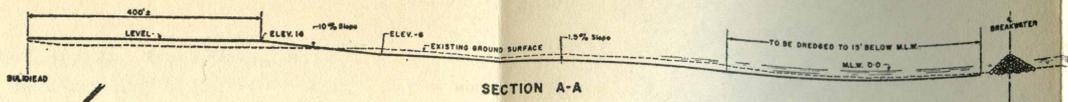
The first action of your Committee was to contact the Barnstable County Beach Commission (a State body) to invite their assistance in the matter. They in turn contacted the office of Commissioner of Public Works with the request that the State assign competent engineering personnel to make a survey and present to the Committee a suggested place for improvement to Provincetown Harbor.

A joint meeting of the State, County and local Committees was held at the Chamber of Commerce Building in Provincetown on May 15, 1954, at which time the problem was thoroughly explored and an excellent general idea of the requirements was developed. One of the most important results of the meeting was the feeling that the State considered this project of primary importance and would certainly give wholehearted support. This was very encouraging to the Committee. As a result of this meeting the Department of Public Works' engineers presented to the Committee blue prints of a suggested place for Harbor improvements together with an estimated cost thereof, this being \$2,750,000.

After due consideration and thorough deliberation it was decided that the estimated cost of the project was away and beyond the financial ability of the Town to handle; and that the question should again be presented to the voters.

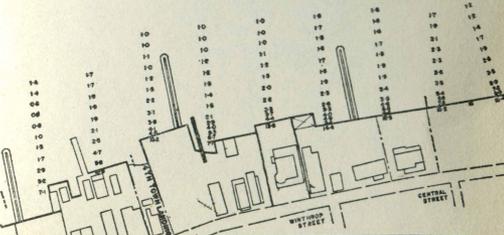
This was done at a Special Town Meeting on August 16, 1954 with recommendation that the problem be given further study; the name of the Committee be changed to "Provincetown Harbor Development Committee", and be enlarged to twelve (12) members; the sum of \$3,000 be appropriated for the purpose of contracting an engineering firm to make a thorough study of the problem and develop a plan compatible with the financial ability of the Town and for other expenses connected therewith. All of the recommendations of the Committee were acted upon affirmatively.

Accordingly, the Committee as reconstituted held conferences with several engineering firms during which the subject was thoroughly explored and the desires and expectation of the Committee clearly



- GENERAL NOTES**
1. ALL ELEVATIONS ARE REFERRED TO MEAN LOW WATER + 0.0.
 2. SOUNDINGS ARE IN FEET AND TENTHS AND MINUS FIGURES SHOW DEPTHS BELOW MEAN LOW WATER.
 3. EXISTING SOUNDINGS ARE TAKEN FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.
 4. SOME DREDGING ADJACENT TO THE NEW TOWN PIER WILL BE PERFORMED DURING 1955.
 5. EXISTING CONDITIONS ARE SHOWN OUT OF FUNCTION AND ARE ONLY APPROXIMATE.

REVISION	DATE	DESCRIPTION	BY



PROVINCETOWN HARBOR DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
 PROVINCETOWN, MASS.
FORESHORE DEVELOPMENT
MASTER PLAN
 JANUARY 1958
 FAY, SPOFFORD & THORNDIKE, ENGINEERS, BOSTON, MASS.
 DES. ALL. BY: [Signature] TR. ALL. BY: [Signature] FILE NO. T-43
 DEC. ALL. BY: [Signature] CON. ALL. BY: [Signature] PLAN NO. R-2
 APPROVED: [Signature]



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stated. After consultation among the Committee, Town Manager Libby and other officials, the firm of Fay Spofford and Thorndike was engaged to explore, develop and present a "Plan and Report on the Development of Provincetown Harbor." This plan marked "A" is attached hereto. It will be noted that the plan concurs itself with harbor protection, which includes approximately 50 acres of excellent anchorage.

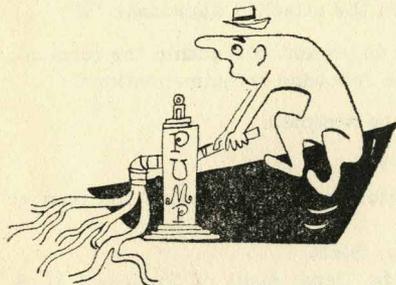
As an auxiliary to the master plan a "Plan and Report, Secondary Development of Provincetown Waterfront" is appended and marked "B". This plan envisions finger piers projecting from the eastern side of Town Pier, parking area for 800 to 1,000 cars and numerous other developments which are outlined in the attached appendage "B".

The Committee feels that the plan as presented is within the economic ability of the Town and makes the following recommendation:

- (A) Report of the Committee be accepted.
- (B) The Committee be continued.
- (C) The Committee be instructed to further develop the plan as outlined by:
 - 1. Having plan approved by State.
 - 2. Having plan approved by Department of Engineers U. S. Army.
 - 3. Develop legislation necessary for implementation of plan; State, Federal and County.
- (D) The Town vote to finance its proportional share of cost, not to exceed 25 per cent of total; with stipulation that Federal, State and County bear remaining cost.
- (E) The sum of \$1,500 be raised and appropriated for such expenses as are necessary for complying with recommendation (C) above.

Water Department

Probably what was Provincetown's most critical problem was solved in late June when the Additional Water Supply Committee started the new diesel engine on South Hollow Road and filled the Town's stand-pipe with pure water from its new well field. The three days previous to this event, June 26, 27 and 28, 1954 the pressure had measured 48 lbs., 38 lbs., and 36 lbs., and the Fourth of July weekend which brings a peak water consumption was at hand. To say that the new supply system was in operation just in time would be an understatement of our



feelings. We hesitate to consider the disastrous possibilities that may have occurred with the serious limitations of the old system. The new additional water supply committee deserves great credit for the job which they have done so well. To finance this water improvement a bond issue of \$375,000 was sold in 1953, and with the first payment of principle and interest due in 1954 it was necessary to raise water rates this year by approximately 40 per cent. Nearly half of the Water Department budget is required to meet maturing debt and interest.

WATER STATISTICS

Gallons pumped in 1954

Month	Auxiliary Station	South Hollow Road	No. Truro Station
January			7,746,000
February			6,660,000
March			7,681,000
April			7,739,000
May			11,108,000
June	11,664,000		16,583,000
July		16,232,970	18,139,000
August		12,682,790	16,900,000
September		5,621,227	11,279,000
October		6,161,363	6,225,000
November		5,570,340	3,365,000
December		4,961,080	2,010,000
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	11,664,000	51,229,770	115,435,000

Total gallons pumped in 1954 178,328,770 gallons
 Total gallons pumped in 1953 162,692,000 gallons

During the month of December, the diesel plant at the old North Truro station was completely overhauled for the first time since its installation. This type of major repair was impossible before the addition of the new station without a complete disruption of service. The auxiliary plant was not used at all after the month of June but was kept in readiness for use during emergency need, and will be so maintained in the future. When certain problems in the old Truro well-field have been eliminated the complete water system should be in excellent condition for some years.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT STATISTICS 1954

One-inch services	33
One and one-half inch services	3
Two-inch services	4
One-inch pipe laid	600 feet
One and one-half inch pipe laid	120 feet
Two-inch pipe laid	542 feet
Ten-inch pipe laid	1,125 feet
Hydrants renewed	4

Additional Water Supply Committee

Progress Report

Under the direction of the Water Supply Committee, the new additional water supply was put into operation on July 3, 1954. This new source of supply, located in South Hollow Road in the Town of Truro, served its purpose well this summer by alleviating the critical water shortage which occurs during the summer months in Provincetown. The supply is capable of delivering an additional 800 gallons per minute or a little over one million gallons per day thereby supplementing the other two supplies of the Town of Provincetown.

The entire project was constructed under the supervision of Whitman & Howard, Engineers of Boston, and consists of eight gravel packed wells running along South Hollow Road and a pumping station containing pumping equipment, together with approximately 7.2 miles of 12-inch supply main and a trunk main from the pumping station connecting to the distribution system in the center of Provincetown.

WELLS

The eight gravel packed wells average in depth about 59 feet. The material encountered varied from medium sand to coarse sand with traces of gravel. The wells were constructed by driving 12-inch diameter casing into the ground and removing the material out of the

middle, inserting an 8-inch screen 10 feet long connected to the end of a "string" of 8-inch casing. The annular space between the 8-inch casing and the 12-inch casing was filled with special, washed fine gravel and sand pack. The 12-inch casing was then pulled back exposing the pack to the natural formation. The wells were then developed and surged to remove all sand and to assure a stable condition in the formation around the gravel packing. Each well was then pumped at a high rate to determine its capacity and to make certain that the combined yield of all the wells would be satisfactory.

The average water level, that is, the water level seen before any pumping operation began, was 5 feet above mean sea level. The water table elevation, as observed in observation wells located 2 feet away from the gravel packed wells, is lowered 2 feet, or the elevation of the water table is elevation 3 above mean sea level while pumping at 800 gallons per minute from combined system of wells. This fact reveals that there is a large quantity of water available in this area, and this large quantity can be pumped without danger of salt water intrusion.

The well screen consists of one piece welded rigid construction having continuous slot openings throughout the entire 10 feet of screen. This type of construction permits the maximum number of openings per linear foot of well screen. The screens are made of Everdur metal which consists of 96% copper, 3% silican and 1% manganese. The size openings in the screens averaged about five hundredths of an inch.

The wells are spread out in a long continuous line being approximately 100 feet between wells, and the wells are joined to a common suction main which is buried in the ground at approximately elevation 10. This suction main conducts the water from the wells to a combination vacuum and sand chamber in the pumping station where the water is then led to the suction of the pump:

PUMPING EQUIPMENT

The pumping equipment consists of a diesel engine operated horizontal centrifugal pump having a capacity of 800 gallons per minute against a total discharge head of 268 feet. The pump is operated by the diesel engine through a speed increasing gear which increases the speed of the pump to 1700 revolutions per minute.

The diesel engine operates at a speed of about 725 revolutions per minute. The pumping equipment features the same unique control which was installed in the old station in North Truro. This control operates the diesel engine in such a way that the quantity of water being pumped will remain constant under any predetermined setting irrespective of the pressure on the discharge side of the pump. In this way it is impossible to overpump the wells in the event of a reduced head on the discharge side of the pump, which might be caused by a break in the main or abnormal high rate of consumption.

WATER QUALITY

The water is of excellent quality containing no manganese and a very small trace of iron. The pH or measure of acidity of the water is approximately 6. The hardness varies from 14 to 20 parts per million and thus is not considered very hard water. The chlorides vary from 11 to 17 parts per million.

SUPPLY MAIN

The supply main consisting of about 7 miles of 12-inch pipe was constructed along old Route 6 and through Bradford Street to the distribution system near the center of Provincetown. This pipe is made of asbestos cement which is not corrosive and which will assure excellent-carrying capacity for many years to come.

Although the additional water supply plans are not completed, the past summer was the only one for many years that the standpipe could be kept full. This does not necessarily mean that water can be wasted, such as leaving sprinklers on for 24-hour periods.

Librarian - Public Library

Our BOOK CIRCULATION climbed well into the 19,000 bracket, with the months of July and August proving to be extremely popular. There really was no book type priority during most of the year, except perhaps during the summer months when much of our non-fiction was in constant demand. Then too, this past year found our high school students frequenting the library either in search of reference material or seeking books for book reports—the latter was always a most interesting study yet sometimes a rather disturbing routine—by that I mean the books were perhaps not available, they may be in circulation or they were too thick for use or too dull! It took more than a bit of persuasion in many cases before the book was finally borrowed.

Our NEW BORROWERS, though only 114, have shown their interest and loyalty to us. The frequent visits, especially from the younger ones, are most encouraging. I do want our folks to know that without any prompting from me, the children have set their own precedent as far as returning books is concerned. I have been amazed at the promptness. I do not mean immediate return, merely the eagerness and pride which is so happily evident when the books are "brang back" before the time has expired.

Our VISITING or NON-RESIDENT BORROWERS department totalled 178 for the year. These folks—most of them newcomers to us—registered from many parts of the country. Our most distant guest was

from far away Istanbul—a most charming and very well educated lady with whom it was more than a pleasure to chat and to compare countless customs.

The READING ROOM attendance reached 3,970. May the sudden rise be understood however in as much as a record is made of everyone each and every time he enters the second floor during a visit.

Our NEW BOOK department claimed 528 additions. Included in this group were most of the nation's best-sellers. Although these were top-rating books to many, it was interesting to me to be able to enjoy the many and varied interpretations of each and every book either by the borrower upon the return of same or by a group of folks who were making suggestions to some friends. We have added 10 new LANDMARK BOOKS to our collecting series and, too, the 15 WORLD LANDMARK BOOKS, each of which depicts an historical event of importance throughout various parts of the world.

Early in November it was my pleasure to attend a Library Meeting at the new Snow Library in Orleans. At this time we were privileged to meet with four of the Officials from the Department of Library Extension in Boston. Most of the librarians were well acquainted with these ladies and that factor alone proved to be most helpful. The two days of instruction were devoted primarily to aids in reference work; book discussions, both adult and juvenile which proved a very important phase for the librarian, as countless aids were shown for working with every and all types of books and borrowers; many suggestions for book interest especially with the younger folks, and too, panel discussion groups, at one of which having been chosen previously by the department head, I had the honor to be chairman of one of the three groups. Our discussion topic as assigned was "You, Youth and Books"—a most interesting, helpful and profoundly thoughtful session held fast the uninterrupted interest of all for a very lengthy period of time. Alas, it was time to adjourn—much to our regret this most worthwhile meeting closed.

Street Department

On June first, Mr. Warren Silva, who had headed the Department of Public Works since its inception in 1952, resigned his position to become affiliated with a private business and after that date the administration of all Department of Public Works functions were assumed by the Town Manager.

Little construction work was provided for in 1954 with the exception of Chapter 90 construction. Under this program approximately 2,900 feet of bituminous concrete pavement was laid on Commercial Street and improved drainage provided between Kelley's Corner and the Provincetown Inn. This work saw the completion of all currently designated Chapter 90 construction. A 1955 Chapter 90 construction program has been requested for Winthrop Street which will be the principle westerly access to the new Route 6. It is hoped that this work will be completed before the start of the summer season.

Sidewalk construction was limited to the construction of a bituminous concrete walk the entire easterly side of Standish Street and widening of the concrete walk around the Town Hall. The latter being done under private contract. Funds will be requested for additional sidewalks to be constructed in 1955. It is obvious that many areas of the Town are in need of walks and many of the older existing walks are in a condition that warrants their replacement.

The Street Department carried out its usual maintenance tasks during the year. In addition to street cleaning, catch basin cleaning and street painting, approximately 20,000 gallons of asphalt were applied to Town streets needing surface treatment. All Town landings were cleared of debris and some beach cleaning was accomplished by the Department. During the summer months the Street Department crew aided frequently in the collection of rubbish and garbage. Frequent breakdowns of the rubbish collection unit necessitated this action and it is hoped that the packing unit can be replaced during the coming year as it has reached a point of uneconomical use and breakdowns have caused serious interference with collection schedules.

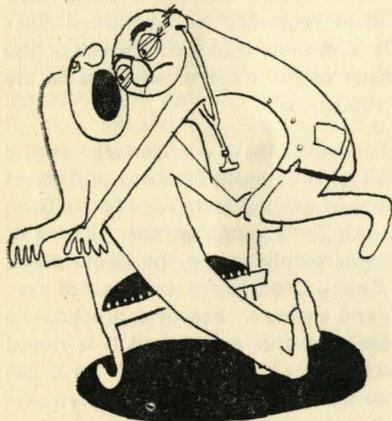
The desirability of commencing a permanent Street construction program should be considered seriously since most of our street problems can be solved satisfactorily only through a complete reconstruction program.

Health Department

Health Nurse

Total number of house calls	1,585
Maternity cases	11
Ambulance trips	7
Old Age Assistance calls	378
Free visits	180
Night calls	21
Sunday and Holiday calls	17
Chest Clinic X-Rays	185
T.B. Follow-up calls	13
Office calls	300
Toxoid Clinic patients	134
Diabetic classes, number of persons attending	15
Amount collected on paid home calls	\$217.25

At the end of the year, it is well to take a look back and see what has been accomplished and how, in the future, improvements can be made.



In view of the increased number of Diabetics in the country as a whole, classes were attempted under the direction of the Public Health Authorities to try to stimulate an understanding of this disease. Films were shown and diets discussed. Thanks to the Public School Authorities, a projector and screen was available for these classes. No person was admitted to the classes without their doctor's knowledge. Miss Mary Susich, RN, helped at every meeting and we were fortunate to have Miss Dorothea

Nichols, RN, State Nutritionist, to help with the classes on diet. The classes were not a tremendous success. Perhaps the stumbling block was "insulin," its administration and the average person's dislike of same. I do feel that those that attended these classes did gain a better knowledge of the disease and its control.

Personal consultation on diets for the overweight and underweight have been carried on through the year. These also have required a doctor's diet and permission. A weekly check on weight and a friendly interest has helped quite a few persons take off or put on extra pounds.

It has been an interesting and busy year. We have had a Public Health student from Simmons College, Boston, Mass., as a visitor. On one of Miss Susich's visits, she brought with her a Registered Nurse from the Dominican Republic who was in this country studying Public Health Administration. Miss Ann Holliday of the Public Health's new Mental Health Department has cooperated with this office as has the Crippled Children's Clinic. This clinic is under the direction of Dr. Paul Norton, of Boston, and is held at the Cape Cod Hospital in Hyannis.

Miss Mary Susich, RN, Director of Public Health Nurses on Cape Cod has given her usual inspiration and help throughout the entire year. I would like to thank those individuals and clubs that have so willingly supplied this office with hospital jackets, bed pads, books, and miscellaneous equipment.

Under the direction of the new Town Management and the Board of Health, new personnel policies governing the duties of the Public Health Nurse were set up. In order to establish these policies, Dr. F. I. Moore and Miss Susich were also consulted. After these policies were established, a letter outlining same was sent to each local physician.

It has been a pleasure to work under the new Town Management, and with the Board of Health and its Agent.

Health Agent

PERMITS NOT REQUIRING FEES

Burials	48
Funeral Directing	4

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES REPORTED

Mumps	1
Measels	9
Chicken Pox	34
Whooping Cough	2
Polio	1
Tuberculosis	3
Dog Bites	11

While there were complaints regarding fish scales, etc., on the beach I feel that the beach as a whole was kept in good condition. There were also complaints involving trash, garbage, and sanitary conditions. The trash and garbage complaints were caused to a great extent by using improper containers. All the conditions were quickly taken care of by the parties at fault.

Town Accountant

I herewith submit my report of the financial transactions of the Town of Provincetown for the year ending December 31, 1954.

Upon assuming office your Town Accountant began the task of analyzing the accounting procedure which was being used, and after conferring with you the following changes have been put into effect.

The procedure of each department submitting their own payroll on individual vouchers has been discontinued, and this office now prepares one payroll form for all Town employees exclusive of the School

Department. Also instead of each department submitting an individual voucher with every bill they now submit one voucher with all their bills listed on the inside in alphabetical order. It is estimated that this new procedure will mean a saving of at least 2,000 vouchers per year and eliminate duplicate work.

A classification system of accounting has also been installed,

which will provide a breakdown of budgets for financial studies and budgetary requirements.

In conclusion I wish to thank all department heads for their wonderful cooperation in making these changes possible, and especially Miss Lillian A. Cabral, secretary to the Town Manager for her efficient, loyal and diligent assistance.

TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN Balance Sheet December 31, 1954

ASSETS:

Cash—General		\$470,517.43	
Accounts Receivable:			
Taxes:			
Poll, Levy of 1953	\$	6.00	
Poll, Levy of 1954		223.00	
			229.00
Personal Property, Levy of 1951		19.00	
Personal Property, Levy of 1952		194.02	
Personal Property, Levy of 1953		769.10	
Personal Property, Levy of 1954		1,917.50	
			2,899.62

Real Estate, Levy of 1952	177.32	
Real Estate, Levy of 1953	13,254.94	
Real Estate, Levy of 1954	40,736.75	
		54,169.01
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Ex., Levy of 1953	236.17	
Motor Vehicle & Trailer Ex., Levy of 1954	4,515.19	
		4,751.36
Vessel Excise, Levy of 1952	10.00	
Vessel Excise, Levy of 1953	86.00	
Vessel Excise, Levy of 1954	172.00	
		268.00
Tax Titles		2,893.63
Departmental:		
Aid to Dependent Children	2,468.15	
Welfare Aid	362.98	
Old Age Assistance	18.75	
Veterans Benefits	21.00	
Board of Health	60.00	
Disability Assistance	6.00	
		2,936.88
Water Rates & Charges		15,361.51
Aid to Highways:		
State	7,500.00	
County	3,750.00	
		11,250.00
Loans Authorized New Town Pier		120,000.00
Court Judgment		612.40
		685,888.84

Total Assets

LIABILITIES & RESERVES:

Agency		
County Dog Licenses	3.40	
County Retirement	20.00	
		23.40
Tailings		67.56
Special Deposits Library Book Fund		445.44
Trust Fund Income		
Cemetery Perpetual Care	300.00	
Benjamin Small Library Fund	103.12	
		403.12
Premium on New School Loan		335.20
Old Age Assistance Recoveries		1,776.27
Federal Grants:		
Disability Assistance—Administration	74.76	
Disability Assistance	646.41	

Old Age Assistance	221.23
Old Age Assistance—Administration	94.14
Aid to Dependent Children	850.79
Aid to Dependent Children—Administration	784.63
Smith-Hughes, George Barden Fund	363.19
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	3,035.15

Revolving Funds:

School Lunch Program	389.93
School Athletic Program	147.22
Municipal Airport	3,370.74
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	4,407.89

Unexpended Appropriation Balances	357,271.83
Loans Authorized New Town Pier	120,000.00
Barnstable County Tax	10,948.98
State Assessments	4.17

Receipts Reserved for Appropriations:

Parking Meters	1,020.33
Sale of Cemetery Lots	1,871.85
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	2,892.18

Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus	14,153.50
Sale of Real Estate	500.00

Overlays Reserved for Abatements:

Levy of 1951	19.00
Levy of 1952	10,738.46
Levy of 1953	5,349.98
Levy of 1954	9,822.32
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	25,929.76

Revenue Reserved Until Collected:

Motor Vehicle & Trailer Excise	4,751.37
Vessel Excise Revenue	268.00
Tax Titles	2,893.63
Departmental	2,936.88
Water	15,361.51
Aid to Highway	11,250.00
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	37,461.39

Surplus	106,233.00
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Total Liabilities & Reserves	<hr/>
	\$685,888.84

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or		Serial Loans	
Fixed Debt	\$775,000.00	Airport Loan	\$ 9,000.00
		Additional Water	
		Supply	4,000.00

Water Mains	22,000.00
Water Loan Acts of	
1952	360,000.00
New School	380,000.00
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	\$775,000.00

**TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN
SCHEDULE OF DEBT AND INTEREST**

	Matures	Debt	Interest	Total
Municipal Airport Loan	1957	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 202.50	\$ 9,202.50
Additional Water Supply	1958	4,000.00	140.00	4,140.00
Water Main Loan	1965	22,000.00	2,410.00	24,410.00
Water Loan Acts of 1952	1978	360,000.00	108,000.00	468,000.00
New School Loan	1973	380,000.00	79,420.00	459,420.00
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Total		\$775,000.00	\$190,172.50	\$965,172.50

UNEXPENDED BALANCES, APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS

December 31, 1954

Assessors Map	\$ 1,000.00
Town Hall and Grounds	137.32
Fire Department Expense	104.10
Rescue and Emergency Truck and Equipment	762.91
Civilian Defense	2,411.31
Reconstruction of Prince Street	8,200.00
Purchase of Land—Winthrop Street	4,000.00
Engineering Services—Harbor Development	3,000.00
1954 Chapter 90	10,008.70
Civil Engineer—Parking Zones	300.00
Infirmiry Repairs	500.00
Adult Naturalization	154.00
Razing Center and Western Schools	1,600.00
Vocational School	1,599.62
Grading and Improving Grace Hall Property—Parking Area	28,000.00
New Elementary School	184,120.48
Public Library	913.32
Reconstruction of Town Pier	68,000.00
Committee Light and Power	500.00
Purchase of Land—Prince and Bradford Streets	1,000.00
Damage to Public Buildings—Hurricanes	1,626.96
Water Loan Acts of 1952	39,333.11
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	\$357,271.83

**TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN
STATEMENT OF CASH YEAR 1954**

Cash Balance January 1, 1954		\$ 527,478.90	
CASH RECEIPTS 1954			
Taxes			
Current Year			
Real Estate	\$236,908.53		
Personal Property	19,839.62		
Poll	1,752.00		
		<u>258,500.15</u>	
Previous Years			
Real Estate	38,640.40		
Personal Property	399.66		
Poll	6.00		
		<u>39,046.06</u>	
From State			
Corporations	26,292.67		
Income	26,269.11		
		<u>52,561.78</u>	
Licenses and Permits			
Licenses			
Liquor	13,450.00		
All Other	3,254.50		
		<u>16,704.50</u>	
Permits			
Marriages	18.00		
All Other	341.50		
		<u>359.50</u>	
Fines and Forfeits			
Court Fines		305.00	
Grants and Gifts			
From Federal Government			
Disability Assistance	1,733.74		
Old Age Assistance	54,008.57		
Aid to Dependent Children	11,664.85		
		<u>67,407.16</u>	
From State			
Vocational Education	3,413.60		
Meal Tax	3,813.57		
George Barden Fund	200.00		
		<u>7,427.17</u>	
From County			
Dog Licenses		403.65	

Privileges			
Motor Vehicle Excise	25,435.68		
Vessel Excise	815.35		
Parking Meters	1,683.00		
		<u>27,934.03</u>	
Departmental			
Town Manager	31.00		
Town Clerk	101.00		
Town Hall Rental	664.25		
Town Pier Rental	5,975.00		
Tax Collector—Costs	123.00		
Welfare—Rental Property	160.00		
Weir Licenses	350.00		
Weir Grants	1,333.53		
		<u>8,737.78</u>	
Protection of Persons and Property			
Sealers Fees	118.25		
Bounty on Seals—State	33.00		
		<u>151.25</u>	
Health and Sanitation			
Nurse Fees	174.75		
Licenses	42.50		
Health subsidies—State	364.28		
		<u>581.53</u>	
Highways			
Chapter 90 State	4,975.00		
Chapter 90 County	2,487.50		
		<u>7,462.50</u>	
Charities			
Disability Assistance—State	3,638.50		
Old Age Assistance—State	52,562.37		
Old Age Assistance—Other Cities and Towns	1,236.46		
Aid to Dependent Children—State	8,815.90		
Veterans Benefits	2,214.06		
Other	947.21		
		<u>69,414.50</u>	
Schools			
Comm. Mass. Chapter 70 Distribution	9,600.00		
Comm. Mass. Tuition, Temp. Aid and Trans.	892.10		
Division of Child Guardianship	420.00		
Tuition—Local	8,088.00		
School Lunch Program	12,187.34		
School Athletic Program	1,490.44		
Driver Education	500.00		
Miscellaneous	158.19		
		<u>33,336.07</u>	

Libraries		
Fees	132.85	
Book Fund	445.44	
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Unclassified		
Airport Rental	1,155.84	
Wharfage	733.00	
Return Premium on Boiler Insurance	109.37	
Damage to Town Pier	125.00	
Insurance adjustment—Hurricane damages	1,575.62	
Permium on School Loan	1,535.20	
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Public Service Enterprises		
Water	64,869.05	
Water—Town Pier	233.95	
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Cemeteries		
Trust Fund Income	2,586.00	
Sale of Cemetery Bond	1,000.00	
Bequests	2,400.00	
Sale of Lots and Graves	125.00	
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Interest		
Taxes	1,575.44	
Accrued on School Loan	557.35	
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Municipal Indebtedness		
School Loan		380,000.00
Special Agency Funds		
Dog Licenses	566.80	
Withholding Tax	20,856.05	
Contributory Retirement	2,453.88	
Teachers Retirement	974.11	
	<hr/>	24,850.84
Refunds and Cancelled Checks		5,057.45
Recoveries		
Old Age Assistance	4,130.62	
Aid to Dependent Children	500.00	
Disability Assistance	1,233.80	
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Estate of Deceased Persons		899.78
Tax Title Redemptions		385.13
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Total Cash Balance and Receipts		\$1,614,028.26
Deduct Disbursements 1/1/54 - 12/31/54		1,143,510.42
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Cash Balance 12/31/54		\$ 470,517.42
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**TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 1954**

Construction	Appropriations	Expended	Balance
New School	\$479,910.62	\$295,790.14	\$184,120.48
Town Pier	68,000.00		68,000.00
Chapter 90 St. Construction	15,000.00	4,991.30	10,008.70
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	562,910.62	300,781.44	262,129.18
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Water Loan Acts of 1952	188,157.19	148,824.08	39,333.11
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Parking and Traffic			
Purchase of land Prince and Bradford Sts.	1,000.00		1,000.00
Grace Hall Property Parking Development	28,000.00		28,000.00
Razing Center and Western Schools	1,600.00		1,600.00
Purchase Land Winthrop St.	4,000.00		4,000.00
Reconstruction of Prince St.	8,200.00		8,200.00
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	42,800.00		42,800.00
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Total Capital Projects	\$793,867.81	\$449,605.52	\$344,262.29
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**TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN
STATEMENT OF SURPLUS
December 31, 1954**

Balance January 1, 1954	\$187,798.45
Add: Adjustments per State Audit	50,321.03
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Balance January 1, 1954 as adjusted	238,119.48
Add: 1954 Audit Adjustments	
State Chapter 90 Receipts	\$ 4,975.00
County Chapter 90 Receipts	2,487.50
Adjustments to close 1953	
Chapter 90 Account	2,050.01
Tax Title Collections	400.39
Additional Commitments	
1954 Poll Taxes	312.00
1954 Personal Property	106.51
1954 Real Estate Tax	428.40
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	846.91

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

1954	25,418.25		1,173.08	19,699.37	4,880.43	334.63
1953		6,019.15	763.66	5,371.07	236.17	351.75
	<u>25,418.25</u>	<u>6,019.15</u>	<u>1,936.74</u>	<u>25,070.44</u>	<u>5,116.60</u>	<u>696.38</u>

VESSEL EXCISE TAX

1954	1,000.00		63.00	765.00	172.00
1953		146.00		60.00	86.00
1952		10.00			10.00
	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>156.00</u>	<u>63.00</u>	<u>825.00</u>	<u>268.00</u>

WATER SERVICE CHARGES

1954 and 1953	81,844.92		1,647.36	64,868.05	15,329.51
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Frank S. Bent
Town Collector of Provincetown

**TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN
1954 APPROPRIATION SUMMARY**

	Balance Jan. 1, 1954	Appro- priation 1954	Other Credits *Res. Fund **Other	Total	Ex- pended	Balance Dec. 31, 1954	Balance To Forward to Revenue Jan. 1, 1955
General Government							
Moderator		50.00		50.00	50.00		
Finance Committee		100.00	* 10.00	110.00	110.00		
Selectmen's Salaries		165.54	* 1.10	166.64	166.64		
Selectmen's Expense		850.00	* 20.24 ** 46.91	917.15	917.15		
Town Clerk—Salary		1,500.00	** 194.80	1,694.80	1,694.80		
Town Clerk—Expense		500.00	** 35.00	535.00	518.99	16.01	16.01
Treasurer—Salary		1,500.00	* 78.25	1,578.25	1,578.25		
Treasurer—Expense and Bond		1,200.00		1,200.00	1,197.05	2.95	2.95
Tax Title Foreclosures	108.00			108.00		108.00	108.00
Assessors—Salary		249.96		249.96	249.96		
Assessors—Expense		62.58	* 200.00 ** 5.43	268.01	268.01		
Assessors—Maps	1,000.00			1,000.00		1,000.00	1,000.00
Assessors—Salary—Clerk		5,000.00		5,000.00	1,972.15	3,027.85	3,027.85
Tax Collector—Salary		1,100.00		1,100.00	997.98	102.02	102.02
Tax Collector—Expense and Bond		500.00	* 800.00	1,300.00	929.98	370.02	370.02
Printing By-Law			* 100.00	100.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
Legal		500.00	* 500.00	1,000.00	787.98	212.02	212.02
Election & Registration—Sal.		400.00	** 310.00	710.00	710.00		
Election & Registration—Exp.		1,200.00		1,200.00	1,030.45	169.55	169.55

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	Balance Jan. 1, 1954	Appro- Other Credits			Total	Ex- pended	Balance	Balance	
		priation 1954	*Res. Fund **Other				Dec. 31, 1954	To Revenue	
Town Hall & Grounds		6,000.00	* 1,600.00		7,600.00	7,462.68	137.32		137.32
Town Manager Salary & Expense		9,000.00	** 20.00		9,020.00	6,898.91	2,121.09	2,121.09	
Town Accountant Sal. & Exp.		6,000.00			6,000.00	1,675.33	4,324.67	4,324.67	
	1,108.00	35,878.08	* 3,309.59 ** 612.14		40,907.81	29,266.31	11,641.50	10,504.18	1,137.32

Protection Persons and Property

Police Dept. Salaries		17,996.00	** 173.96		18,169.96	18,168.95	1.01	1.01	
Police Dept. Expense		1,040.00	* 450.00 ** 5.36		1,495.36	1,495.36			
Police Dept. Car Main.		1,110.00			1,110.00	1,108.75	1.25	1.25	
Insurance Police & Firemen		563.70			563.70	563.70			
Fire Dept. Salaries		5,000.00	* 62.50		5,062.50	5,062.50			
Fire Dept. Expense		4,000.00			4,000.00	3,895.90	104.10		104.10
Insurance Fire Trucks		367.50			367.50	367.50			
Fire Dept. Water Tax		3,232.00			3,232.00	3,232.00			
Sealer Weights & Meas.—Sal.		25.00	** 75.00		100.00	100.00			
Sealer Weights & Meas.—Exp.		25.00	* 75.00 ** 7.63		107.63	107.63			
Moth Extermination		100.00			100.00	100.00			
Elm Trees		50.00			50.00	50.00			
Moth Protection			* 600.00		600.00	598.92	1.08	1.08	
Rescue & Emergency Truck & Equip.			* 3,000.00		3,000.00	2,297.09	762.91		762.91

	Balance Jan. 1, 1954	Appro- Other Credits			Total	Ex- pended	Balance	Balance	
		priation 1954	*Res. Fund **Other				Dec. 31, 1954	To Revenue	
Shellfish Constable—Salary		25.00	* 500.00		525.00	525.00			
Wire Inspector		50.00	* 150.00		200.00	200.00			
Barnstable County Retirement		2,129.13			2,129.13	2,129.13			
Building Inspector		150.00	* 25.00 ** 7.75		182.75	182.75			
Civilian Defense	3,225.45				3,225.45	814.14	2,411.31		2,411.31
Fish & Game	100.00				100.00		100.00	100.00	
Marine Fisheries	100.00				100.00		100.00	100.00	
Insurance Laborers Mechanics		2,000.00			2,000.00	1,565.43	434.57	434.57	
Total Protection Persons & Property	3,425.45	37,863.33	* 4,862.50 ** 269.70		46,420.98	42,504.75	3,916.23	637.91	3,278.32

Health and Sanitation

General Health		3,300.00	** 28.00		3,328.00	3,105.58	222.42	222.42	
Health Agent Salary		500.00			500.00	146.94	353.06	353.06	
Rubbish Disposal		11,910.00			11,910.00	11,834.37	75.63	75.63	
Visiting Nurse		3,300.00			3,300.00	3,264.75	35.25	35.25	
Ins. of Cattle & Slaughtering		25.00			25.00	25.00			
Dog Officer & Insp. Cattle			* 125.00		125.00	125.00			
Total Health and Sanitation		19,035.00	* 125.00 ** 28.00		19,188.00	18,501.64	686.36	686.36	

	Balance	Appro-	Other Credits		Ex-	Balance	Balance	
	Jan. 1, 1954	priation	*Res. Fund	Total	pended	Dec. 31,	To Forward to	
		1954	**Other			1954	Revenue Jan. 1, 1955	
Highway								
Highway Salaries		15,150.00		15,150.00	15,080.66	69.34	69.34	
Roads & Walks		13,470.00		13,470.00	12,613.82	856.18	856.18	
Street Lighting	375.43	10,969.08	** 264.94	10,858.59	10,858.59			
Reconstruction Prince Street Chapter 90 1953	4,018.38	8,200.00		8,200.00		8,200.00		8,200.00
Chapter 90 1954		15,000.00		15,000.00	4,991.30	10,008.70		10,008.70
Harbor Development Eng. Ser.		3,000.00		3,000.00		3,000.00		3,000.00
Standish Street Sidewalk		1,000.00		1,000.00	611.54	388.46	388.46	
Concrete Sidewalk Com'l Street		1,500.00		1,500.00	924.64	575.36	575.36	
Civil Engineer Parking Zones		300.00		300.00		300.00		300.00
Lumen Street Lights		720.00		720.00	264.94	455.06	455.06	
Christmas Lighting			* 650.00	650.00	429.63	220.37	220.37	
Total Highways	3,642.95	69,309.08	* 650.00 ** 264.94	73,866.97	49,793.50	24,073.47	2,564.77	21,508.70

Charities

Public Welfare Salaries		145.80		145.80	145.80			
Public Welfare Expense		9.78	* 9.78					
			** 14.00	33.56	33.56			
Outside Poor		6,000.00	** 102.87	6,102.87	6,101.24	1.63	1.63	
Infirmary		5,500.00	** 282.59	5,782.59	5,782.09	.50	.50	
Repair Infirmary Skylight	500.00			500.00	500.00			

	Balance	Appro-	Other Credits		Ex-	Balance	Balance	
	Jan. 1, 1954	priation	*Res. Fund	Total	pended	Dec. 31,	To Forward to	
		1954	**Other			1954	Revenue Jan. 1, 1955	
Infirmary Repairs			** 500.00	500.00		500.00		500.00
Deep Freeze—Infirmary		400.00		400.00	305.22	94.78	94.78	
Aid to Dependent Children		17,880.00	* 1,421.63					
			** 54.35	19,355.98	19,355.98			
Old Age Assistance		72,000.00	* 2,317.04					
			** 1,004.35	75,321.39	75,321.39			
Old Age Assistance Admin. Exp.		3,300.00	* 500.00	3,800.00	3,400.00	400.00	400.00	
Disability Assistance		6,530.00	** 42.20	6,572.20	6,211.22	360.98	360.98	
Veterans Benefits		9,000.00	** 15.00	9,015.00	7,229.49	1,785.51	1,785.51	
Total Charities	500.00	120,765.58	* 4,248.45 ** 2,015.36	127,529.39	124,385.99	3,143.40	2,643.40	500.00

Schools and Library

Maintenance Schools		152,920.00	** 368.23	153,288.23	153,160.72	127.51	127.51	
Cafeteria		3,080.00	** 29.51	3,109.51	3,109.51			
Adult Naturalization	154.00			154.00		154.00		154.00
Raze Center & Western Schools		1,600.00		1,600.00		1,600.00		1,600.00
Vocational School	1,127.81	7,705.00	** 890.06	9,722.87	8,113.25	1,609.62		1,609.62
Insurance Public Buildings		4,476.00		4,476.00	3,975.01	500.99	500.99	
Grading & Improving New School site for parking areas		28,000.00		28,000.00		28,000.00		28,000.00
New Elementary School	99,910.62		**380,000.00	479,910.62	295,790.14	184,120.48		184,120.48
Public Library		6,550.00		6,550.00	5,636.68	913.32		913.32
Total Schools & Library	101,192.43	204,331.00	**38 1,287.80	686,811.23	469,785.31	217,025.92	628.50	216,397.42

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

and

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

of

Provincetown, Mass.

for the

Year Ending December 31, 1954

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

At a recent meeting of the School Committee it was voted:

To accept the report of the Superintendent of Schools and to present it to the town as the report of the School Committee.

DR. THOMAS F. PERRY, Chairman
HERBERT F. MAYO
FRANCIS J. ALVES
School Committee

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Dr. Thomas F. Perry, Chairman

Dr. Thomas F. Perry	Term expires 1955
Herbert F. Mayo	Term expires 1956
Francis J. Alves	Term expires 1957

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Augustus Keane

Office: Provincetown High School

Office open from 8:15 to 12 and 1 to 4:00 p. m., except Saturday. The Superintendent may be seen at his office by appointment. Telephone 560.

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

Fred L. Moore, M. D., Hyannis

SCHOOL NURSE

Mrs. Helen Pierce, R. N.

SUPERVISOR OF ATTENDANCE

George E. Rogers

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

PROVINCETOWN HIGH SCHOOL

Name of Teacher	Where Educated	Began Service
George F. Leyden, Prin.	Holy Cross College, B. A.	1926
Noel V. Coletti	Bowdoin College, B. A., Northeastern University M. Ed.	1954
Joseph Condon	Brown University, A. B., University of Wisconsin	1954
Thomas C. Hennessey	Boston College, B. A., Boston University, M. A.	1952
David J. Murphy	Holy Cross College, Ph. B.	1930
Kathleen J. Medeiros	Salem State Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1941
Edward J. Dahill, Jr.	University of Notre Dame, B. S., University of New Hampshire, M. Ed.	1943
Marion Roy	University of Chicago, University of Nebraska	1954
Richard M. Santos	Fitchburg State Teachers College	1948
Mary C. Lewis	Bridgewater Teacher's College, B. S. in Ed.	1934
Robert Manning	Arizona State Teachers College, B. A., Boston University, M. A.	1952
Irene L. Silva	Hyannis Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1947
John F. Williams	Bridgewater Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1947
Elizabeth DeRiggs	Sargent College, B. S. in Physical Education	1939
Arthur P. Malchman	Boston University, B. S. in Ed.	1940

PROVINCETOWN VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

Salvatore Causi	Brighton Vocational School	1953
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GOVERNOR BRADFORD SCHOOL

William Roche, Prin.	Suffolk University, A. B., M. A.	1953
Miriam Corea	Hyannis Teachers College	1913
Wilhelmina Lopez	Hyannis Teachers College	1946
Grace L. Collinson	American International College B. A.	1937

CENTER SCHOOL

Helen M. Sylvia, Prin.	Bridgewater Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1916
Hilda M. Dennis	Hyannis Teachers College	1924
Florence G. Nickerson	Salem Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1948
Mary W. Alves	Hyannis Teachers College	1951
Mary Rogers	Hyannis Teachers College	1951
Eva Dutra	Central State Teachers College, Wisconsin	1954

WESTERN SCHOOL

Bessie E. Corea, Prin.	Hyannis Teachers College	1918
Delphine C. DeRiggs	Perry Normal School	1945
Frances D. Francis	Fitchburg Teachers College	1928
Lucinda Anthony	Lesley Normal School	1930

MUSIC SUPERVISORS

Beatrice M. Welsh	American Institute Normal Methods	1927
Hawthorne Bissell	Syracuse University, B. Music	1954

ART SUPERVISOR

Ruth Condon	Rhode Island School of Design, B. S.	1954
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HANDWRITING SUPERVISOR

Mary E. Quigley	Boston College, B. A., M. A., Boston University; Advanced Certificate	1953
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SCHOOL NURSE

Helen C. Pierce	St. Peter's Hospital, Albany	1941
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JANITORS

Frank Carlos	Provincetown Junior-Senior High School
George E. Rogers	New Governor Bradford School
Justine Roderick	Western School
Charles Atkins	Center School

SUPERINTENDENT'S SECRETARY

Mrs. Inez C. Johns

TEACHING PERSONNEL CHANGES

HIGH SCHOOL

George F. Leyden	Principal
Noel V. Coletti	Teacher of French I, II; U. S. History; World History; Building Citizenship
Joseph Condon	Teacher of English I, II, III, IV
Thomas C. Hennessey	Teacher of English II, III, IV; Latin I, II
David J. Murphy	Teacher of Physics; American Democracy; Physical Education
Kathleen J. Medeiros	Teacher of Stenography; Bookkeeping; Typing
Edward J. Dahill, Jr.	Teacher of General Math; Applied Math; Plane Geometry; Algebra
Marion Roy	Teacher of Household Arts
Richard M. Santos	Teacher of General Science; Business Math; Vocational History; Manual Training
Mary C. Lewis	Teacher of 7th and 8th Grade History, Geography, Spelling; World Geography

Robert Manning	Teacher of 7th and 8th Grade Math; Biology
Irene Silva	Teacher of 7th and 8th Grade Science; General Science
John Williams	Teacher of 7th and 8th Grade English; English I
Arthur Malchman	Guidance Counsellor and Teacher of Life Adjustment; U. S. History
Beatrice Welsh	Supervisor of Vocal Music in all grades
Hawthorne Bissell	Supervisor of Instrumental Music in all grades
Ruth Condon	Supervisor of Art in all grades
Salvatore Causi	Instructor of Vocation Shop; Related Subjects

BRADFORD SCHOOL

William Roche	Principal, Teacher of Grade VI
Wilhelmina Lopez	Teacher of Grade VI
Miriam Corea	Teacher of Grade V
Grace L. Collinson	Teacher of Grade V

CENTER SCHOOL

Helen M. Sylvia	Principal, Teacher of Grade II
Eva Dutra	Teacher of Grade II
Florence G. Nickerson	Teacher of Grade III
Mary W. Alves	Teacher of Grade IV
Hilda M. Dennis	Teacher of Grade I
Mary Rogers	Teacher of Grade I

WESTERN SCHOOL

Bessie E. Corea	Principal, Teacher of Grade III
Delphine C. DeRiggs	Teacher of Grade IV
Frances D. Francis	Teacher of Grade I
Lucinda Anthony	Teacher of Grade II

PROVINCETOWN SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNT

Balances on hand January 1, 1954	\$ 240.82
Receipts January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954:	
From Lunchroom sales	\$8,182.47
Federal Reimbursements	3,143.02
Lions Club	861.85
All Other	9.45
	\$ 12,196.79
Total Receipts for 1954	\$ 12,437.61
Total Disbursements for 1954	\$ 11,547.68
	\$ 889.93

PROVINCETOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1954-55

Open September 8, 1954		
Close December 24, 1954 (noon)	16 weeks	72 days
Open January 3, 1955		
Close February 18, 1955	7 weeks	35 days
(Vacation one week)		
Open February 28, 1955		
Close April 15, 1955	7 weeks	34 days
(Vacation one week)		
Open April 25, 1955		
Close June 17, 1955	8 weeks	40 days
	38 weeks	181 days

Provincetown Elementary Schools will close June 10, 1955—175 days.

HOLIDAYS

Columbus Day, Tuesday, October 12th
 Barnstable County Teachers Convention, Friday, October 8, 1954
 Veterans' Day, Wednesday, November 11th
 Thanksgiving Recess, noon, November 24th to November 29th, 1954
 Good Friday, April 8th
 Memorial Day, Monday, May 30th

HOLIDAYS DURING VACATION

Christmas Day, Saturday, December 25th
 New Year's Day, Saturday, January 1st
 Washington's Birthday, Tuesday, February 22nd
 Patriot's Day, Tuesday, April 19th

ENROLLMENT, PUBLIC SCHOOLS

PROVINCETOWN October 1954

Grade	Governor				Sr. High
	Center	Western	Bradford	Jr. High	
I	61	33			
II	48	30			
III	35	28			
IV	34	33			
V			43		
VI			53		
VII				67	
VIII				55	
IX					34
X					29
XI					31
XII					28
	—	—	—	—	—
	178	124	96	122	122

SCHOOL CENSUS, OCTOBER, 1954

Ages	Boys	Girls	Total	No. not in School
5-7	60	56	116	52
7-14	194	211	405	2
14-16	44	35	79	1
over 16	25	30	55	1
	—	—	—	—
	323	332	655	56

STATISTICS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR, 1953-54

Total Enrollment	651
Average Membership	624
Average Attendance	586
Percent of Attendance	91
Number enrolled between 5 and 7	172
Number enrolled between 7 and 16	437

AGE OF ADMISSION TO SCHOOL

Any child who becomes six years of age on or before January 1 of the year following the fall term when he wishes to enter school, may be admitted into the first grade. Pupils under seven years of age who have not previously attended school shall not be permitted to enter later than thirty days after the opening of school in September.

HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

GEORGE F. LEYDEN

I herewith submit my eighteenth annual report as Principal of Provincetown High School.

ENROLLMENT

High School Enrollment by classes is as follows:

Class	Girls	Boys	Total
Senior	21	18	39
Junior	17	17	34
Sophomore	15	21	36
Freshman	29	20	49
		9	9
			—
Total Enrollment			167

Junior High Enrollment by grades is as follows:

Grade Seven	38	33	71
Grade Eight	35	22	57
			—
Total Enrollment			128
Grand Total			295

Due to over crowded conditions at the Truro Central School, we absorbed a total of fifty Truro pupils. This was done without disturbing the program, since we had adequate facilities for handling them.

REGISTRATION BY CLASSES

Elementary Algebra	33	General Mathematics	14
Applied Mathematics	21	Latin I	25
Automotive History and Civics	11	Latin II	10
Art	149	Manual Arts	78
Biology	53	Physical Education (Boys)	133
Bookkeeping	5	Physical Education (Girls)	155
Building Citizenship	28	Plane Geometry	9
English I	49	Problems of Democracy	19
English II	36	Stenography I	12
English III	34	Stenography II	11
English IV	39	Typewriting I	17
American History	35	Typewriting II	12
World History	12	Typewriting III	14
Life Adjustment	36	Vocational Drawing	16
World Geography	8	Vocational Math	16
Vocational English	14	Vocational Science	11
Business Arithmetic	17	Vocational Household Arts	10
General Science	34	Instrumental Music	22
Introductory Business	20		

COURSE OF STUDY

Five different courses are offered in our high school. They are as follows:

1. The General Course
2. The Commercial Course
3. The College Course
4. The Vocational Household Arts Course
5. The Automotive Course

Each of these is organized for a definite purpose. Each pupil is given ample opportunity to secure the type of Education best suited to his need, aptitudes, and capacities.

Parents should consult freely with the principal and faculty advisors in order that the curriculum and electives selected by the pupils will be in keeping with these important factors.

The above courses offer an opportunity for the pupils to master fundamental processes which are necessary equipment in everyday life. We offer an ample number of courses designed to inculcate proper training in the common ideas necessary for tolerant living in a complex society. Such courses as Building Citizenship, Problems of American Democracy, and Life Adjustment, are included in the curriculum for the purpose of affording the pupils the opportunity of learning patriotism, love of the country, and to acquaint them with some of the essentials of the complicated political and social problems which confront us today.

PUPILS ATTENDING SCHOOLS OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Katherine Mayo	Lasell Junior College
Stephen Perry	Amherst
Paul Cook	Bentley School of Accounting
George Bowley	The Sullivan School
Irene Cook	Fisher
Wilfred Costa	Massachusetts College of Pharmacy
Janet Gill	The Airline Hostess School of New York
Manuel Ferreira	St. Mary's Seminary
Martha Malicoat	Oberlin
Dennis Aresta	Boston College
Mylan Costa	Boston University
Paul Chapman	Norwich Academy
Robert Days	Wentworth Institute
Richard Hopwood	Northeastern University
Conrad Malicoat	Oberlin
David Murphy	Massachusetts State Teachers College
Leroy Valentine	Northeastern University
Joseph Patrick	Boston University

MARKS AND ATTENDANCE

Students are marked with letters. The significance of these letters is as follows:

- A—High honor mark indicating outstanding achievement.
- B—High honor mark indicating a quality of accomplishment which is commendable and which certifies to college the individual without special examination on the subject.
- C—Satisfactory work indicating a quality of accomplishment sufficient for continuation of the subject.
- D—A passing mark but not satisfactory.
- E—Not passing; no credit allowed.

Marks are a measure of the educational growth of a student in any one subject insofar as that growth of a student can be estimated by the teacher. In making this estimate the teacher considers a number of factors including contributions to class discussion and the result of oral and written tests. Two factors which commonly cause able students to receive low marks are poor attendance and lack of home study. Any student who wishes to succeed in High School and compete with other students must have a quiet place at home to study and make very good use of that place. Parents, interested in the progress of their children, should insist on regular attendance at school, health permitting. They should also make a special effort to provide a quiet place for study at home.

Provincetown High School is rated Class A by State Department of Education. This school is also a member of the New England Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools.

CAFETERIA

Our cafeteria is under the supervision of Mrs. Marion Roy, our Household Arts teacher. The planning and preparation of meals for our pupils is a very important function. It is very important that our pupils have something to eat during recess time, in as much as the school day is long and the human body needs replenishing with food in the interim between breakfast and the time they arrive home. The meals we have are efficiently prepared by two excellent cooks, Mrs. Josephine Cook and Mrs. Margaret Aresta.

The Cafeteria is self-supporting. Each meal consists of a main dish, bottle of milk, dessert, bread, and sandwiches. These meals cost 25c. It is gratifying to note that there are more pupils taking advantage of the excellent meals which are being served daily in our cafeteria.

ATHLETICS

The athletic program, which is under the direction of our respective coaches, is an important part of our cocurricular activities. It was very gratifying to note that our football team had a very successful season.

After struggling for several years we finally have had a season which promises better things to come. Our coaches Mr. Manning and Mr. Condon are to be congratulated on the fine showing of our football team.

Our basketball team, both the boys and the girls had a very successful season also. Our girls' team won every league game but finally was defeated in the Cape Cod Principal's Association Tournament at Falmouth.

CONCLUSION AND APPRECIATION

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to citizens of Provincetown for their loyal support of our school activities. I further wish to thank Mr. Ross, the School Committee, and the Faculty for their whole-hearted cooperation.

GUIDANCE COUNSELLOR

ARTHUR P. MALCHMAN

I hereby submit my first annual report as Teacher-Counsellor for the Schools of Provincetown.

The problem of initiating an entirely new program for the schools of Provincetown has had its share of obstacles and stumbling blocks. Having been in operation for only four months it is yet too early to see any tangible results. I have counseled with many students with acute and pressing problems and feel that some measure of success has been accomplished.

The first weeks of the school year were spent entirely on designing a Cumulative Record peculiar to the needs of our schools. Every student, as he progresses from grades one through twelve, will have this continuous record of his various accomplishments and failures; social, personality, avocational, etc., recorded as pertinent data. I expect this record to be delivered by the end of January.

Sometime in the early spring I intend to initiate a course in Occupational Information to give the graduating student a more complete picture of the world of work and the world of education. In this course I hope to give them first hand experience by placing them in actual work situations in and about town.

BOYS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION

DAVID J. MURPHY

I herewith submit my annual report as Director of Boys' Physical Education in the Senior and Junior High School.

PROGRAM

No major changes were made in our Physical Education program during the past year. We compel all boys physically able to attend classes for two periods a week. Each period follows a general procedure consisting of formal drill, calisthenics or some form of strenuous activity, group play and finally a shower. Our main objective is to offer a program that will produce a desire for physical fitness within the boy; keep him mentally alert and teach him how to socially adjust himself with others while at work and play.

In the fall and spring part of our program is carried outside on the athletic field. Last spring more interest was shown in track and field than in the past few years. This was due in part to an attempt by the athletic coaches of the Cape to revive the old Cape Cod Interscholastic track meet. Every effort will be made to arrange this field and track event again this year. With track and field added to our program we will have a well-rounded athletic schedule and will offer four major sports in which a boy may compete.

ACTIVITIES

A more complete list of other activities in our program may be briefly stated as follows:

1. Marching drills
2. Gymnastics
3. Calisthenics
4. Competitive games and relays
5. Apparatus (rings, parallel bars, climbing ropes, horizontal bar, vaulting horse.)
6. Lectures on personal hygiene, and rules and regulations of major sports.
7. Sport Activities
 - a. Football (touch)
 - b. Basketball
 - c. Volley-ball
 - d. Baseball
 - e. Track and field

CONCLUSION

We are aware of the valuable part that a physical education program plays in a well-coordinated educational system. We have made every effort to offer a well-rounded program in which the students enjoy participating and from which a more healthful attitude, worthy use of leisure time and a certain physical perfection is obtained.

GIRLS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION

ELIZABETH DeRIGGS

I herewith submit my annual report in physical education in the Junior and Senior High School.

The activities offered in the physical education program are:

1. Marching
2. Danish Exercises
3. Tumbling
4. Apparatus:
 - a. Rings
 - b. Ropes
 - c. Buck
 - d. Swedish Box
 - e. Parallel Bars
5. Basketball
6. Volleyball
7. Softball
8. Relays and competitive games
9. Intramural Activities:
 - a. Basketball
 - b. Volleyball
 - c. Badminton
 - d. Bowling

In conclusion may I say that throughout the year the activities offered in the physical education program aim to develop the student physically and socially; to maintain good health; to be mentally alert; and to develop interests and skills.

VOCAL MUSIC INSTRUCTOR

BEATRICE M. WELSH

I herewith submit the following report as Supervisor of Vocal Music in the Provincetown Schools.

Rote singing continues to play an important part in the music program for the lower grades. Song does belong in the world. All children should sing. Some children have no ear for music, sing tunelessly, yet they enjoy singing. Through such singing they are expressing some of their small joys. Today's children are more musically inclined because of radio and television. It is through these media that children get much of their musical training. Several students in the high school chorus plan to sing in the Cape Cod Choral Festival this year. Two years ago seventeen vocal students sang in the Cape Cod Festival Chorus Con-

cert held in Hyannis. Rhythmic orchestras in the lower grades play an important part in developing the pupil's feeling for rhythm. In the upper grades a portion of the music period is devoted to theory of music.

I wish to express my thanks for the cooperation received during the past year.

COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT

KATHLEEN J. MEDEIROS

I herewith submit my annual report of the Commercial Department of the Provincetown High School.

Enrollment in the first year bookkeeping class has decreased. The high standard of accuracy and neatness required in the course; along with an average of C from a mathematics course as a requirement for taking bookkeeping has eliminated any doubtful students. The class is rapidly assembling all the information necessary to handle the accounts of a business for a period of two months.

This year we have ten students enrolled in the Stenography II classes. These Seniors are receiving intensive drilling on transcription. All have passed the 60 Words a Minute test, several have taken the 80 and there are two who have achieved a 100 words a minute but only for one minute. Several of these students also proved their worth in handling the receipts of the magazine drive. Receipts, prizes, and the complete records were handled expertly by three of the Seniors. I sincerely hope that June 1955 will find many of these Seniors placed locally in the business offices.

Instruction on the Royal Electric Typewriter is still carried on. Students are assigned to the machine for a period of two weeks. The work on both machines is then compared and the touch, carbons, etc. are evaluated.

More students should be aware of the benefits to be derived from the Commercial Course. Often former graduates drop in to brush up on their bookkeeping or shorthand in order to avail themselves of a better position at an increased salary.

I wish to express my appreciation for the cooperation received during the past year.

HOMEMAKING DEPARTMENT

MARION M. ROY

I herewith submit the annual report for the Household Arts Department of the Provincetown High School.

The Vocational Household Arts Program is an elective two year course for High School Freshmen and Sophomores. The course of study is varied and planned to meet the needs of each girl as a member of her family in her own home. The course includes study and practice in sewing, selection of clothing, food preparation, child care, family relationships, home management and other problems which arise with the rapid changes in the mechanics of modern living. Pupils are encouraged to continue school projects as home work with the cooperation of their parents.

I appreciate the assistance and helpful suggestions which have been given by co-workers.

PROVINCETOWN VOCATIONAL SCHOOL

SALVATORE A. CAUSI

I hereby submit my annual report.

To fit boys for profitable employment is the chief function of the Vocational Education.

The purposes of Vocation Education are:

1. To train boys in the technique of making a living.
2. To give basic training in the manual and technical skills, necessary for the advancement and promotion in trades and occupations.
3. To develop the correct work and social habits so that students will learn how to live as well as how to make a living.

The Provincetown Vocational School offers a great deal of mechanical and technical knowledge to desirable students who can profit by this type of education. The Guidance Director, Mr. Arthur Malchman and I have worked out a plan to test students desiring to enter this course so that it may be determined whether or not the student has the necessary instincts to become a mechanic. This test is prepared by the National Testing Council and statistics show that those students passing this test have made better mechanics.

Many parents believe that students entering the Vocational School are not eligible for high school diplomas. On the contrary, students who have successfully completed the ninth grade are eligible to graduate.

It is a school for boys who want to prepare themselves for a useful life. Many graduates from Vocational Schools are earning much more than those graduated from academic courses because the fundamentals taught here can be used in more than one field of endeavor.

With the basic knowledge acquired at this school we were able to do (to mention a few) the following work which had little to do with automobile mechanics:

1. Repairing of outboard and marine engines.
2. Install hot water system in Vocational School building.
3. Repair countless items for High School.
4. Machining numerous pieces for boats.
5. Repaired many electrical appliances.
6. Make up backstop for the baseball team.

These projects could not have been undertaken without the knowledge taught at the Vocational School.

I wish to extend my sincere thanks for the cooperation and assistance I have received.

MANUAL TRAINING PROGRAM

RICHARD M. SANTOS

The Manual Training Program at the Provincetown High School affords full participation to all boys in the Junior High School and part time activities to members of the High School.

At the present time the shop program offers limited training in wood-working with common hand tools and some experiences in the less dangerous machine tools. The present trend to "Do it Yourself" enjoyed by many home owners may be further enjoyed by our pupils after their experiences in the school's shops.

Educational facilities now are being expanded to provide training in the trades and vocatons. There is justification for our taking better advantage of our shop facilities to provide more and better training to mechancially adept boys. This program should be expanded to include instruction in elementary carpentry, electricity, plumbing, and drawing and blue print reading. Our program now affords only small-project building which provides for leisure-time activities and limited tool and procedure practice.

HANDWRITING SUPERVISOR

W. L. RINEHART, Director

I am pleased to submit the following report on the operation of the handwriting program in your Provincetown Schools for the school year 1953-1954.

In the initial handwriting tests administered in October 1947, 31.1% of your pupils received grade of "A" (Excellent); 13.7% received a grade of "B" (Good); and 83.1% scored less than "B." In the tests administered in June, 1954, 92.1% of your pupils scored "A"; 7.9% scored "B"; and no one scored less than "B." Handwriting certificates were awarded to 90% of your eighth grade students.

During the school year we graded approximately 3,000 formal and 9,000 informal samples of handwriting for your pupils. A formal test was administered at four teaching-week intervals and a report was furnished each teacher giving a careful diagnosis of the handwriting of each pupil in the room.

We furnished the following instructional materials:—teachers' outlines, pupil folder outlines, room motivation certificates, handedness tests, individual handwriting certificates to pupils who qualified, term envelopes, seals, etc.

My supervisors join with me in expressing our appreciation for the splendid cooperation we have received at all times. We are very pleased with the results obtained in your schools.

ART SUPERVISOR

RUTH H. CONDON

I hereby submit my annual report as Supervisor of Art in the Provincetown Public Schools.

Art, as offered in the public schools of Provincetown, is concerned with the individual responses of each child to his environment and the encouragement and opportunity to express these responses in a creative and stimulating manner. At the elementary level, the child is provided with first hand experiences with as many Art media as possible, such as crayons, poster paints, water colors, cut paper, plastecene, paper construction and papier-mache. These materials are used for self-expression both in individual and group projects.

The most important group project at this level is the class mural, which is integrated with the subject matter of the particular grade. Each child helps to decide the subject, the media, and the content by class discussion, and everyone contributes his ideas.

Some of the projects which are carried out at the Secondary level are poster paintings, pen and ink drawings, cut paper work, lettering, papier-mache, mobiles, block prints and three dimensional paper sculpture for bulletin boards.

Unfortunately, the physical facilities of the High School Art Room are inadequate to maintain as complete a program as I would like. I wish to thank all who have helped in this program.

SCHOOL NURSE

HELEN C. PIERCE

I hereby submit my annual report as School Nurse.

During the year there were a number of cases of chicken pox, measles, and one case of mumps in the elementary schools.

Inspection was made weekly in the elementary schools, and monthly in the Junior-Senior High School, except when daily inspection was found necessary.

In March a Toxoid Clinic was held at Town Hall at which time eighty-one (81) children were inoculated for diphtheria, and fifty-one (51) children were vaccinated.

In May eighty-four (84) children entering school in September were examined by Dr. Gerald A. Hoffel with the parent of each child present. A number of defects found at this time were corrected before the child entered school.

During the months of June and July one hundred sixty-five (165) children, ages seven through thirteen, had fluorine solution applied to their teeth. This service was free, the work being done by Mrs. Alice Dazell, dental hygienist.

The Audiometer test was given this year to three hundred seventeen (317) children, with only four failures.

The Massachusetts vision test was given to all pupils with the exception of the Center School, as there was no space available to give same. A number of defects were found at this time and most of these defects have been corrected.

All routine work has been done this year as in the past.

Dr. Moore has not completed his physical examinations.

In closing may I express my sincere thanks to all for their cooperation and assistance that I have received.

BARNSTABLE COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER

F. L. MOORE, M. D.

There has been little change during the past year in the routine work carried out by the school health services and will be covered in the report of the school nurse.

Perhaps worthy of comment is the fact that again this year we were able to secure the cooperation of the parents in having their children examined in the spring of the year when they were to enter school in September. Mrs. Pierce has done an outstanding piece of work here and we believe this is one of the most important phases of the physical examination program.

During past years many sanitary defects have been noted in the old Center and Western Schools and the school health program has been hampered by these conditions. There seemed to have been little that could be done short of new construction to correct the situation. The school committee and the townspeople are to be commended on their action in providing new accommodations.

Provincetown was the first town in Barnstable County where the applications of topical fluorine to the teeth of school children was carried out. Studies made during the past year have shown that this process has been instrumental in preventing some of the dental cares which constitutes a major health problem. Provincetown is the only Town on Cape Cod where all the parents of young children have available a public water supply. It is now a well established fact that the fluoridation of a public water supply results in a reduction of tooth decay by at least 50 per cent among children using this water from the time of birth.

Measures should be instituted to secure these benefits for the children of this town. The cost is small and the return is great.

SUPERVISOR OF ATTENDANCE

GEORGE S. ROGERS

I herewith submit my annual report as Supervisor of Attendance.

Number of investigations	225
Number of truants returned	6
Number of truants not returned	10
Number absent from sickness	133
Number absent from other causes	76

GRADUATION PROGRAM

Processional: Pomp and Circumstance	Elgar
P. H. S. Orchestra	
Invocation	Rev. Arthur O. Dewey
The Threat of World Communism	Katherine Mayo
Toselli's Serenade	Toselli
Violin Solo—Estelle Souza	
Keep It Gay	Rogers and Hammerstein
P. H. S. Chorus	
Atomic Energy	George Bowley
Selection: Consecration Overture	Bela
P. H. S. Orchestra	
Today's Youth	Estelle Souza
While Hearts Are Singing	Oscar Straus
P. H. S. Chorus	
Whither Goest Man	Irene Cook
America, Our Heritage	Steele
P. H. S. Chorus	
Presentation of Diplomas	Dr. Thomas Perry
Benediction	Rev. Leo J. Duart
Recessional: Spirit of St. Louis	Herfurth

CLASS OFFICERS

Katherine Mayo	President
Ronald Malaquias	Vice-President
Janet Gill	Secretary
Ernest Carreiro	Treasurer
Mr. Thomas C. Hennessey	Class Advisor

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Estelle Souza	Katherine Mayo
George Bowley	Irene Cook

Leadership—Scholarship—Service

CLASS COLORS

Blue and Silver

CLASS MOTTO

Venimus, Vidimus, Vicimus

STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

Joan Kenney	Lester Hautanen
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GRADUATES

Martha Neila Alves
Raymond Stevens Alves
George Andrew Bowley
Ronald Taves Cabral
Ernest Loureiro Carreiro, Jr.
Marlene Janice Carreiro
Irene Joan Cook
Janet Joyce Gill
Henry Harold Hautanen, Jr.
Lester Irmer Hautanen
Nancy Carol Jason
Patricia Ann Kane
Lucille Margaret Kelley
Joan Marsha Kenney
David Kenneth Lai
Ronald Anthony Malaquias
Katherine Nickerson Mayo
Lawrence William Meads
Leland Jackson Morris
Robert Lee Morris
Nancy Arlene Paine
Sonya Mary Passion
Joseph Augustine Patrick
Jeanette Florence Perry
Shirley Ann Perry
Stephen Russell Perry
Elizabeth Ann Ross
Edward Joseph Salvador
Beverly Louise Silva
Philip Frank Silva
Estelle Rosemarie Souza
Carolyn Ann Wood
Mary Emma Youngren

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

for the

NEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, PROVINCETOWN, MASS.

As of January 28, 1955

We are able to report that the building is up to schedule and we hope to have it available for occupancy by very early spring.

Outside construction is finished and the interior is now being painted and work has started on the floors.

Heating plant is installed and operating.

Classrooms are nearly completed, but much work is yet to be done in the assembly room.

The grading of the grounds is complete except for the finished work, which cannot be done until good weather.

A report of the expenditures to date will be found in the Treasurer's report.

Respectfully submitted,

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Mary E. Van Arsdale
Jesse D. Rogers
Frank H. Barnett
Frank Bent
Francis Alves
Thomas Perry
Herbert Mayo
Manuel Patrick
Ralph S. Carpenter, Chairman

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