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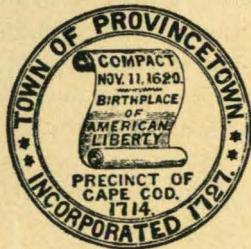


YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1956

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

Town of Provincetown, Massachusetts



for the

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1956

ADVOCATE PRESS, PROVINCETOWN, MASS.

FOUR PATRIOTS

In Memoriam

Clarence Prada, Warren Alexander, Frank Prada, John Dutra

I feel exalted while I take my pen
To write their epitaph for Four Good Men,
How can, for such, a monument be built
Who sought none? Beyond words their loss is felt.
Like surprised children from us they were taken
To wait the Trumpet when God's Faithful waken.
Decent, unknown, famed but to us, they passed,
Serving as if each day would be the last.
No treasures but our hearts' love they amassed;
Not one of them was any graftor's tool;
Not one of them, Corruption's easy fool.
Fidelity's sure inner voice they heard.
Democracy was more than just a word,
For them; its service was not bartered, cheap.
God rest Four Civic Patriots where they sleep.

—Harry Kemp



JOHN A. DUTRA
Town Collector
1920 - 1954



WARREN ALEXANDER
Water Commissioner 1932 - 1955
Fire Engineer 1955 - 1956



FRANK PRADA
Water Commissioner 1951 - 1954
New Additional Water Supply
Committee 1952 - 1956
Fire Engineer 1948 - 1955



CLARENCE PRADA
Department of Public Works
1947 - 1956

Directory of Officials

Town Officers and Department Heads

ACCOUNTANT	William J. McCaffrey
AIRPORT MANAGER	John C. Van Arsdale
ANIMAL INSPECTOR	Clarence E. Pierce
BUILDING INSPECTOR	Robert E. Collinson
CIVIL DEFENSE DIRECTOR	John F. Rosenthal
CLERK	William J. McCaffrey
COLLECTOR	Frank S. Bent
DOG OFFICER	Clarence E. Pierce
FIRE CHIEF AND FIRE WARDEN	Manuel White
HEALTH AGENT	J. Darrow Adams
HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT	Frank S. Perry
LIBRARIAN	Marion B. Haymaker
MANAGER	James V. Coyne, Jr.
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	Philip Alexander
VETERANS AGENT	George A. Baker
WATER SUPERINTENDENT	Joseph M. Creamer
WELFARE AGENT	Irving S. Rogers
WIRING INSPECTOR	Donald T. Gleason
WHARFINGER AND HARBORMASTER	John S. Silva

Boards, Committees and Commissions

APPEALS, BOARD OF

Ethel A. Ball
Edward Silva
John Jason
Edward Dahill, Jr.
John C. Snow
William Mayo
Philip Alexander
William Paige*

ASSESSORS, BOARD OF

John I. King
Manuel V. Raymond
Thomas Francis

AIRPORT COMMISSION

Norman Cook
John Patrick
Joaquin Russe
Raymond Souza*
Gabriel Fratus*

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Raymond Marston
Joseph Crawley
William Pierce

CONSTABLES

Joseph Rogers
Warren Perry
Joseph Agna

CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING COMMITTEE

John R. Ham
John Viera
Katherine R. Steele
James F. Meads
Franklin Oliver

FIRE ENGINEERS, BOARD OF

Manuel White
Edward Noones
Warren Alexander
Wilbur Cook
James J. Roderick
Herman Rivard
John Fields

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Nathan Malchman
Francis E. Rogers
William H. Gordon
Manuel F. Patrick
Manuel Macara
Marion Perry
Francis Packett
Louis O. Cabral
Edward Salvador
Warren Alexander*
Joseph E. Macara*
Chester Peck*

GYMNASIUM COMMITTEE

William Tasha
George Silva
David Murphy
George F. Miller
William Cabral
Joseph Roderick
Jesse Meads
Elizabeth DeRiggs
Francis Rogers

HARBOR DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Joseph E. Macara
Jesse Rogers
Frank Taves
Joseph Roderick
Louis Salvador
John C. Snow
John C. Van Arsdale
William W. McKellar
Manuel Phillips
John Russe
Frank Volton
Robert A. Welsh
Elmer Greensfelder*

HEALTH, BOARD OF

Town Manager

LIBRARY, TRUSTEES OF

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

LITTLE LEAGUE COMMITTEE

James Cordeiro
Gordon Dutra
Clayton Enos
John Meads
Frank Carlos
Robert Collinson
Harold Souls
Joaquin Russe
Harris Adams
Raymond Souza
Freeman Watson
Thomas F. Perry

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Raymond Marston

PLANNING BOARD

John Van Arsdale
John Alexander
George Baker
Matthew Costa
John Fields, Jr.

REGISTRARS, BOARD OF

Thomas Francis
Warren C. Silva
Mabel Stilling
William J. McCaffrey

REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Herbert Mayo
Wesley G. Felton
Raymond Souza
Arthur Malchman
Frank S. Bent

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Herbert Mayo
Wesley G. Felton
Katherine Cadose
George Silva
George Chapman, Jr.
Joseph Alves
Raymond Souza
Francis Alves*

SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

discharged May 1, 1956
Ralph Carpenter
Manuel F. Patrick
Frank S. Bent
Frank Barnett
Mrs. John C. Van Arsdale
Jesse Rogers

SHELLFISH COMMITTEE

Frank E. Cabral
Joseph Ferreira
Harris Adams
Justin Avellar*

SELECTMEN, BOARD OF

Francis Santos
Frank Henderson
Joseph Lema, Jr.
Joseph T. Ferreira
Joseph S. Bent

VETERANS GRAVES COMMITTEE

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

WELFARE, BOARD OF

Town Manager

RECREATION COMMISSION

Edward Silva
Mrs. Norman Cook
Mrs. Mary Tarvers
James Daugherty
Robert Collinson

**CONVERSION OF INFIRMARY
TO PUBLIC MEDICAL
INSTITUTION**

James V. Coyne, Jr.

Anne Cote

E. Ruth Rogers

Norman S. Cook

Irving S. Rogers

*resigned

From the Town Manager

To the Citizens of Provincetown:

It is a pleasure to submit to you the third annual report under the Selectmen-Manager form of government. Although all three years have been years of progress, this is an annual report so I shall confine the summary of accomplishments to those completed in 1956. For the same reason, the new municipal pier will not be included since it was not completed in 1956.

The completion of the Cleminshaw Tax Revaluation in time for use in 1956 assessments marks the first time in the history of Provincetown that each taxpayer's fair share of the tax burden has been determined by scientific methods. The elimination of guesswork and the possibility of favoritism from a function so important to the taxpayer is a definite step toward progressive local government.

The Town Infirmary, which formerly provided room and board to six or eight people, was converted to a comfortable, well-equipped Public Medical Institution to provide nursing home care to twenty-two people, including many Provincetown residents who had previously been a considerable distance from home in order to get the care their condition required.

Our parking problem was relieved, but not solved, by the purchase at a Special Town Meeting of a parking lot on Commercial Street at the foot of Johnson Street. The Town-owned so-called "Smith House" on Bradford Street has been demolished, and a small parking lot will be completed on that site before the coming summer season. The traffic situation too has been relieved but not solved by the completion, at no cost to the Town, of the rotary traffic circle at the West end of Commercial Street. The completion of Shank Painter Road, an approximately \$50,000 project of which the Town's share was one-fourth, has also improved the flow of traffic.

Town money for street construction was used to put a high type surface on Howland Street, Johnson Street, and a portion of Tremont Street. Arrangements were made for expanding this program to properly surface five additional streets during the coming year at no cost to the Town. This type of street surfacing indicates progress, and should be continued as a long-range program for street improvement.

Other accomplishments during 1956 include the planting of trees along Shank Painter Road, some additional landscaping of the Town Hall grounds, some tile flooring and interior painting at Town Hall, replacement of the tower clock mechanism, and through the courtesy of an anonymous donor, the striking mechanism of the tower clock was

Assessor's Report

replaced. Several items of new equipment were purchased including a police cruiser, a Water Department pickup truck, an air compressor, and some fire fighting equipment. These items indicate progress since they raise the level of municipal services which can be rendered to the taxpayers.

The successful litigation of several lawsuits involving the Town should be considered a progressive step, since it marks the end of an era of expensive out-of-court settlements in which anyone who could find cause to initiate an action against the Town was practically guaranteed of some settlement at the taxpayers' expense.

Progress in administrative procedures is difficult to describe, but several changes have been made, and are being made, to provide increasingly better service to the public. Much more remains to be done, however, and regardless of what has been accomplished in 1956, our efforts cannot be relaxed.

Considering that the Town has been incorporated for 229 years, we have certainly taken a big step in three years, or even in only the one year just ended. Our accomplishments have not been the result of the efforts of any individual or of any small group.

I wish, however, to particularly thank the Selectmen for their guidance and counsel, the municipal employees for their cooperation and loyalty, and the voters for their understanding and support. A continued interest in the problems of local government is essential to future progress.

JAMES V. COYNE, JR.
Town Manager

VALUATION JANUARY 1, 1956

Real Estate	
Land	\$2,271,900.00
Buildings	6,943,180.00
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Total	\$9,215,080.00
Personal Estate	671,740.00
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Total Real and Personal	\$9,886,920.00

1956 TAX RATE COMPUTATION

Expenditures	
Town Appropriations	\$741,595.75
Tax Title Foreclosures	216.00
State Assessment	7,663.86
Court Judgments	1,000.00
Emergency Overdraft—Town Pier	7,000.00
County Tax and Assessment	63,326.96
Overlay current year	11,105.71
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Gross Amount to be Raised	\$831,908.28
Revenue—Non-Tax	
Estimated Receipts	\$278,308.76
Overestimates 1955	112.52
Available Funds	56,700.00
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Total Non-Tax Revenues	\$335,121.28
Tax Revenues	
1,223 Polls @ \$2.00	\$2,446.00
Personal Property Tax—\$671,740.00	33,587.00
Real Estate Tax	460,754.00
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Total Tax	\$496,787.00
December Commitment	
Valuation Real Estate	\$23,878.00
Valuation Personal Property	\$5,600.00
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Total	\$29,478.00 @ \$50
Total Tax Real and Personal Estate	1,473.90
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Total Tax, 1956	\$498,260.90

JOHN I. KING
THOMAS FRANCIS
MANUEL V. RAYMOND

Town Collector and Treasurer

During the year 1956 receipts totaling \$1,091,257.26 were received by this office and total disbursements were in the amount of \$1,086,083.19. Detailed statements will be found in the Town Accountant's report. The cash on hand per treasurer's cash book as of December 31, 1956 \$178,488.48.

At the close of business on December 31, 1956 84.7% Real Estate Commitment had been collected. In the Water accounts 76% of all outstanding water charges have been collected.

I have found in my experience while in office that most taxpayers for some reason or another seem to think that the Town cannot take tax titles on property within a period of two years. The General Laws state that the town shall put a lien on all property whose taxes remain unpaid 14 days after demand, such lien to terminate in two years.

As authorized by vote of the Town Meeting, the Selectmen and Treasurer borrowed \$100,000.00 in anticipation of Tax Revenue and this amount has been paid in full.

The sum of \$15,700.00 was also borrowed for Chapter 90 work, and this sum has also been paid in full on the due dates.

I wish to thank Mr. James V. Coyne, Jr., Town Manager, and the Board of Selectmen for their cooperation and assistance during 1956, and to all the office force whose help and cooperation have made 1956 a wonderful year.

FRANK S. BENT

Deputy Collector of Taxes

I have again been appointed Deputy Collector of Taxes whose job it is to collect delinquent taxes. Unfortunately I cannot at this time, make out a full report, as it was only recently that I received my first list of overdue Poll Taxes. I am now in the process of collecting them.

I would like to reiterate my statement of last year that all the people I have contacted, to date, have been most courteous and cooperative.

JOSEPH A. ROGERS

STATEMENT OF TAX COMMITMENTS

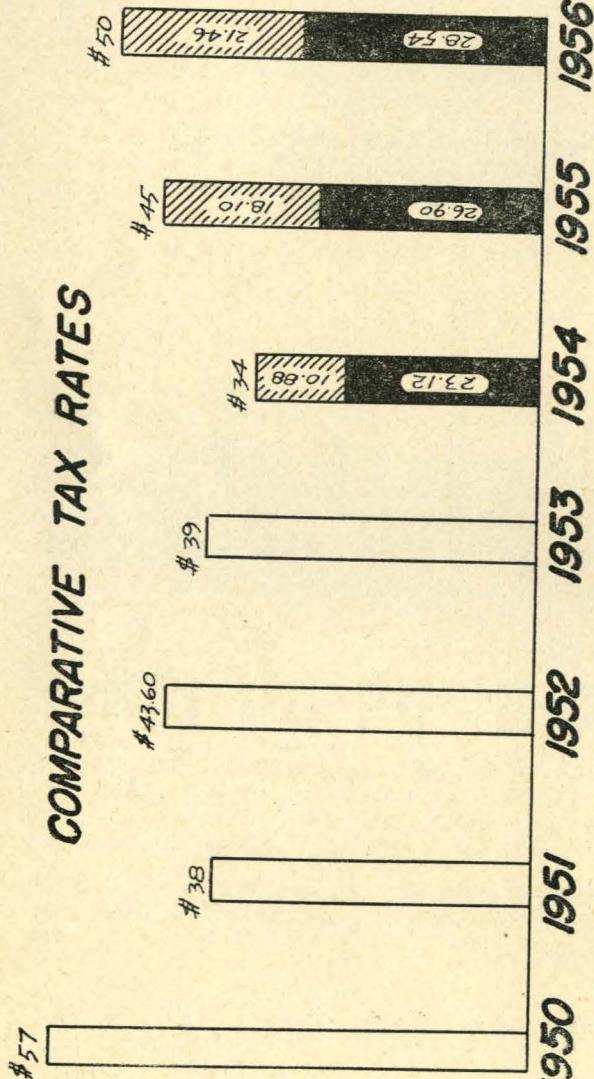
Year	REAL ESTATE			Outstanding Jan. 1, 1957	Refunds
	Abated	Tax Titles	Collected		
1956	\$461,898.40	\$4,895.29	\$1,099.00	\$391,508.54	\$336.93
1955	52,322.53	1,769.71	1,409.50	38,397.65	765.11
1954	6,942.43	1,465.86	680.00	4,401.07	10,745.67
1953	286.58	201.23	74.10	11.25	
1956	\$2,474.00	\$540.00		\$1,752.00	\$2.00
1955	240.00	126.00		52.00	2.00
1954	126.00	116.00		12.00	
1956	\$34,135.85	\$624.00		\$31,617.67	\$62.50
1955	3,894.18	715.57		2,522.86	15.76
1954	517.14	362.14		85.00	645.75
1953	345.15	136.50		154.05	69.90
					54.60
1956	\$34,379.52	\$2,158.14		\$29,980.50	\$2,240.88
1955	4,754.28	885.11		3,800.82	318.14
1954	1,806.64	550.54		154.89	1,101.56
1953	233.45	169.49		47.63	18.33
					2.00
1956	\$956.00	\$128.00		\$755.00	\$63.00
1955	126.00	33.00		20.00	73.00
1954	103.00				103.00
1953	83.00				83.00
1952	10.00				10.00
1956	\$82,620.90	\$494.98		\$62,858.18	\$19,267.74
					\$39.96

STATEMENT OF TAX COMMITMENTS

REAL ESTATE

Year	Commitment	Abated	Tax Titles	Collected	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1957	Refunds
1956	\$461,898.40	\$4,895.29	\$1,099.00	\$391,508.54	\$64,732.50	\$336.93
1955	52,322.53	1,769.71	1,409.50	38,397.65	10,745.67	765.11
1954	6,542.43	1,465.86	680.00	4,401.07		
1953	286.58	201.23	74.10	11.25		
POLL						
1956	\$2,474.00	\$540.00		\$1,752.00	\$182.00	\$2.00
1955	240.00	126.00		52.00	62.00	
1954	126.00	116.00		12.00		2.00
PERSONAL PROPERTY						
1956	\$34,135.85	\$624.00		\$31,617.67	\$1,894.18	\$62.50
1955	3,894.18	715.57		2,532.86	645.75	15.76
1954	517.14	362.24		85.00	69.90	
1953	345.15	136.50		154.05	54.60	
MOTOR VEHICLE						
1956	\$34,379.52	\$2,158.14		\$29,980.50	\$2,240.88	\$574.28
1955	4,754.28	855.11		3,800.82	98.35	318.14
1954	1,806.64	550.54		154.89	1,101.56	
1953	233.45	169.49		47.63	18.33	2.00
VESSEL EXCISE						
1956	\$956.00	\$138.00		\$755.00	\$63.00	
1955	126.00	33.00		20.00	73.00	
1954	103.00				103.00	
1953	83.00				83.00	
1952	10.00				10.00	
WATER						
	\$82,620.90	\$494.98		\$62,858.18	\$19,267.74	\$39.96

COMPARATIVE TAX RATES



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SCHOOL RATE █ GENERAL RATE █

Breakdown Unavailable Prior To 1954

Town Clerk's Report

The following annual report of the Town Clerk for the year ending December 31, 1956, is herewith submitted.

The report of fees collected is as follows:—

SPORTING LICENSES

25 Resident Citizens Fishing	@ \$3.25	\$81.25
183 Resident Citizens Hunting	@ 3.25	594.75
26 Resident Citizens Sporting	@ 5.25	136.50
12 Resident Citizens Female Fishing	@ 2.25	27.00
5 Resident Citizens Trapping	@ 7.75	38.75
15 Special Non-Resident Fishing	@ 2.75	41.25
3 Non-Resident Citizens Minor Fishing	@ 2.25	6.75
4 Non-Resident Citizens Fishing	@ 7.75	31.00
1 Alien Fishing	@ 7.75	7.75
4 Duplicates	@ .50	2.00

Total		\$967.00
Paid to State		\$898.50
Town Clerk Fees		68.50
		\$967.00

DOG LICENSES

130 Male Dogs	@ \$2.00	\$260.00
76 Spayed Female	@ 2.00	152.00
19 Female	@ 5.00	95.00
		\$507.00
Total		\$507.00
Paid to County		\$462.00
Town Clerk Fees		45.00
		\$507.00

TOWN CLERK RECEIPTS

7 Marriage Certificates	\$3.50
21 Birth Certificates	11.00
46 Death Certificates	23.00
74 Chattel Mortgages Recorded	185.50
21 Chattel Mortgages Discharged	23.00
4 Business Certificates Filed	4.00
1 Lein Search	.50
1 Assignment	1.00
38 Marriage Intentions	76.00

Paid to Town Treasurer

\$327.50

Town Accountant

BIRTHS			
Month	Male	Female	Total
January	3	5	8
February	3	1	4
March	4	1	5
April	3	4	7
May	3	1	4
June	2	3	5
July	6	3	9
August	4	5	9
September	3	3	6
October	5		5
November	5		5
December	3	1	4
Total	44	27	71
DEATHS			
January	4	2	6
February	1	1	2
March	6	2	8
April	1	4	5
May	2	3	5
June	2	5	7
July	3	2	5
August	1	4	5
September	2	2	4
October	2	1	3
November	3	2	5
December	4	2	6
Total	31	30	61
MARRIAGES			
		Total	
January		3	
February		6	
March		1	
April		2	
May		3	
June		5	
July		2	
August		4	
September		7	
October		5	
November		4	
December		—	
Total		42	

WILLIAM J. McCAFFREY

The following is an itemized account of the financial transactions of the Town for the year ending December 31, 1956.

TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN

Balance Sheet December 31, 1956

	Debit	Credit
ASSETS:		
Cash General	\$178,488.48	
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Poll, Levy of 1954		\$2.00
Poll, Levy of 1955	\$62.00	
Poll, Levy of 1956	182.00	
		244.00
Personal, Levy of 1953	54.60	
Personal, Levy of 1954	69.90	
Personal, Levy of 1955	645.75	
Personal, Levy of 1956	1,894.18	
		2,664.43
Real Estate, Levy of 1954	4.50	
Real Estate, Levy of 1955	10,745.67	
Real Estate, Levy of 1956	64,732.50	
		75,478.17
Motor Vehicle Excise, Levy of 1953	18.33	
Motor Vehicle Excise, Levy of 1954	1,101.56	
Motor Vehicle Excise, Levy of 1955	98.35	
Motor Vehicle Excise, Levy of 1956	2,240.88	
		3,459.12
Vessel Excise, Levy of 1952	10.00	
Vessel Excise, Levy of 1953	83.00	
Vessel Excise, Levy of 1954	103.00	
Vessel Excise, Levy of 1955	73.00	
Vessel Excise, Levy of 1956	63.00	
		332.00
Tax Titles		6,274.63
Departmental:		
Town Pier	340.00	
Police—Other Towns	15.00	
Board of Health	730.30	
Cape End Manor	762.27	
Aid to Dependent Children	2,387.31	
Disability Assistance Adm.	51.64	
		4,286.52

Aid to Highways:		
State	2,821.45	
County	1,410.73	
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Water Rates		4,232.18
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19,267.74		
Total Assets	\$294,720.77	
 LIABILITIES & RESERVES:	 Debit	 Credit
Barnstable County Dog Refund		\$891.94
Tailings		84.27
Barnstable County Tax	\$7,955.12	
State Pest Control		6.89
State Parks and Reservations	489.59	
Benjamin Small Library Fund		82.76
Library Book Fund		530.44
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund (Income)		347.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund		2,216.85
Old Age Assistance Recoveries		2,816.55
Disability Assistance Recoveries		70.00
Sale of Real Estate Fund		5,200.00
Revolving Funds:		
Provincetown Airport	\$5,599.94	
Parking Meter Fees	5,540.35	
School Lunch Program	9,071.33	
School Athletic Program	17.56	
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U. S. Grants—Disability		20,229.18
Smith-Hughes-George Barden Fund		1,357.27
Unexpended Appropriation Balances		501.19
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		57,136.11
Overlays Reserved for Abatements:		
Levy of 1951	26.60	
Levy of 1952	30.52	
Levy of 1953		36.77
Levy of 1954		278.10
Levy of 1955		4,033.17
Levy of 1956		5,181.98
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Revenue Reserved until Collected:		9,530.02
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	3,459.12	
Vessel Excise	332.00	
Tax Titles	6,274.63	
Departmental	4,286.52	
Aid to Highway	4,232.18	
Water	19,267.74	
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		37,852.19

Withholding Tax	1,567.90
Contributory Retirement	318.00
Surplus	135,030.13
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Total Liabilities and Reserves	\$294,720.77

DEBT ACCOUNTS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	\$903,000.00	Serial Loans: Additional Water Supply	\$2,000.00
		Airport Loan	3,000.00
		New Water Main	18,000.00
		Water Loan, Acts of 1952	330,000.00
		New School Loan	340,000.00
		Wharf Loan—Acts of 1955	210,000.00
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			\$903,000.00

SCHEDULE OF DEBT AND INTEREST

	Matures	Debt	Interest	Total
Additional Water Supply	1958	\$2,000.00	\$35.00	\$2,035.00
Airport Loan	1957	3,000.00	22.50	3,022.50
New Water Main	1965	18,000.00	1,620.00	19,620.00
Water Loan, Acts of 1952	1978	330,000.00	90,750.00	420,750.00
New School Loan	1973	340,000.00	63,580.00	403,580.00
New Wharf Loan, Acts of 1955	1975	210,000.00	46,800.00	256,800.00
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		\$903,000.00	\$202,807.50	\$1,105,807.50

UNEXPENDED BALANCES, APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS

Tax Title Foreclosures	\$216.00
Town Hall—Capital Outlay	449.45
Fire Department—Capital Outlay	1,027.53
Civilian Defense	1,837.67
Civil Engineer—Parking Zones	300.00
New Sidewalk Construction	1,167.39
New Sea Wall	7,000.00
Razing Smith House	988.60
Resurfacing Winslow Street Extension	1,500.00
Grading and Improving Parking Lots	500.00
Harbor Development—Engineering Services	1,456.60
Vocational School	824.57

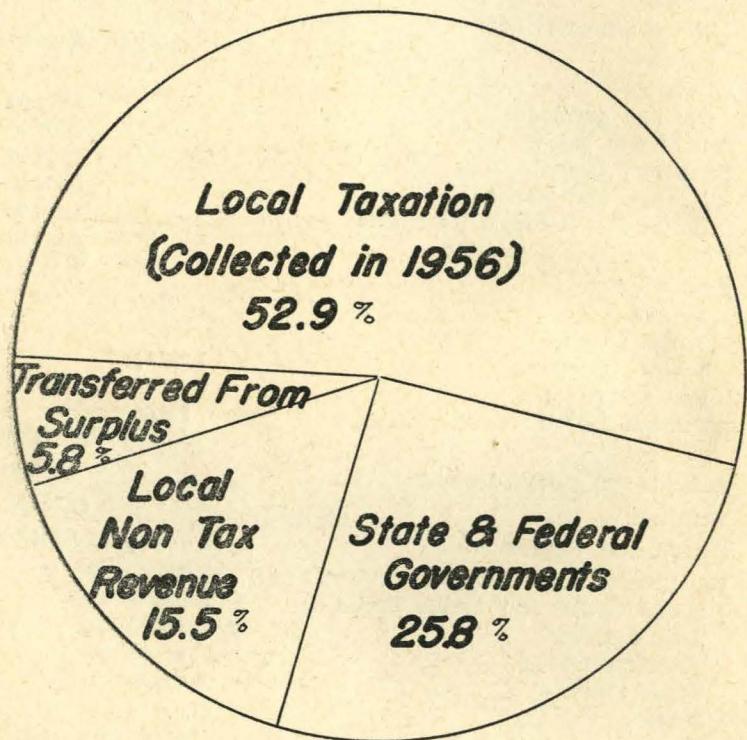
Nickerson Street Playground—Capital Outlay	620.50
Howland Street Playground—Capital Outlay	84.53
Water Loan—Chapter 439—Acts of 1952	39,163.27
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	\$57,136.11

STATEMENT OF CASH YEAR 1956

Cash Balance January 1, 1956	\$173,314.41
Cash Receipts 1956	
Taxes	
Current Year	
Real Estate	\$391,508.54
Personal Property	31,617.67
Poll	1,752.00
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Previous Years	
Real Estate	42,809.97
Personal Property	2,880.91
Poll	64.00
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From State	
Corporations	27,352.67
Income	31,161.79
Meal Tax	3,153.98
Old Age Assistance	62,970.52
Aid to Dependent Children	9,687.42
Disability Assistance	3,405.83
Veterans Benefits	2,526.84
George Barden Fund	500.00
School Construction	5,114.86
Schools (Miscellaneous)	6,323.47
School Aid Chapter 70	10,200.00
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From Federal Government	
Old Age Assistance	53,851.23
Aid to Dependent Children	11,330.86
Disability Assistance	2,184.89
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Chapter 90 Construction	
State	13,474.23
County	6,984.95
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Tax Titles	
Barnstable County Dogs	730.87
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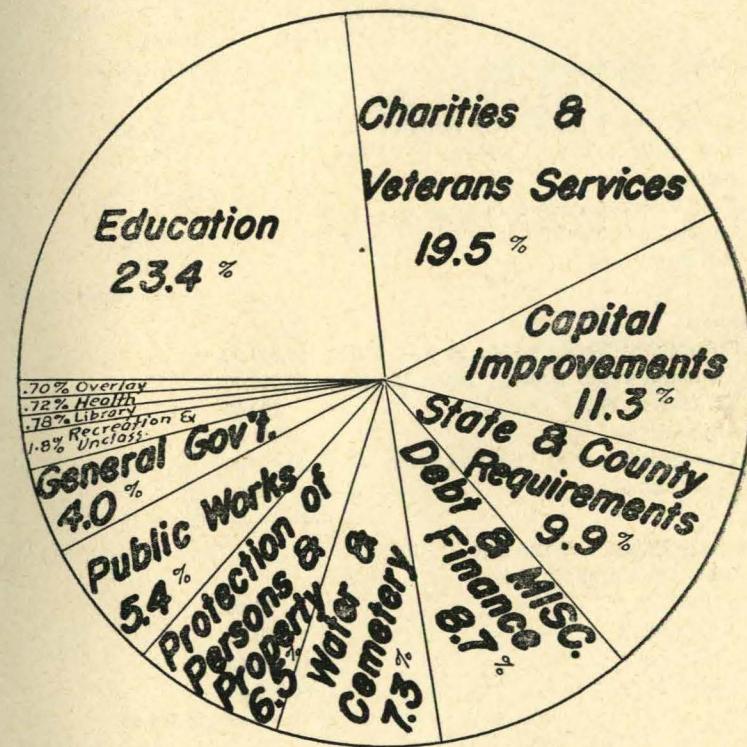
Libraries	
Fines	159.90
Visitors Cards	92.00
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	251.90
Cemeteries	
Trust Fund Income	4,511.75
Bequests	748.61
Interest	25.00
Sale of Cemetery Lots	180.00
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	5,465.36
Recoveries	
Old Age Assistance	2,575.00
Sale of Real Estate	2,001.00
Temporary Loans	115,750.00
Gift, Cape End Manor	5,000.00
Departmental Accounts Receivable	14,636.00
P.M.I. Accounts Receivable	8,822.73
Revolving Funds	
Airport	1,200.00
School Lunch	29,989.76
School Athletics	1,502.61
Parking Meters	2,864.56
Comfort Station	315.00
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	35,871.93
Refunds and Canceled Checks	
Withholding Tax	6,013.25
Contributory Retirement	28,751.54
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	5,621.66
Local Non-tax-rate Revenue	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	33,983.84
Local Licenses	16,414.30
Town Clerk Fees	841.65
Vessel Excise	775.00
Schools	21,008.38
Interest and Costs on Taxes	1,271.75
Interest and Costs on Tax Titles Redeemed	22.43
Fines	463.00
Gas Permits	6.50
Oil Permits	4.00
Sealer's Fees	71.10
Trap Grants	150.00
1% Gross Weirs	611.43
Tailings	9.96
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	75,633.34
Public Service Enterprises	
Water	62,858.18

WHERE THE MONEY CAME FROM



1956 REVENUES

WHERE THE MONEY WENT



1956 EXPENDITURES

Miscellaneous

4.00

Total Cash Balance and Receipts

\$1,264,571.67

Deduct Disbursements 1/1/56-12/31/56

1,086,083.19

Cash Balance 12/31/56

\$178,488.48

STATEMENT OF SURPLUS

	December 31, 1956	Debit	Credit
Balance January 1, 1956		\$120,261.49	
Add:			
Town Wharf Emergency Repairs		7,000.00	
Tax Title Redemptions		730.87	
Adjustments		620.73	
Tax Titles Abatements		84.42	
Duplication Tax Titles		3.40	
Revenue, 1956		62,574.98	
Deduct:			
Subsequent Taxes added to Tax Titles	\$2,597.90		
Transfer, voted Annual Town Meeting	30,000.00		
Treasurer, Petty Cash	100.00		
Adjustments	2,931.35		
Transfers, Special Town Meeting	20,500.00		
New Tax Titles	115.60		
	56,244.85		
Surplus Balance December 31, 1956	135,030.13		
Less: Outstanding Taxes:			
1953 Levy	54.60		
1954 Levy	69.90		
1955 Levy	11,453.42		
1956 Levy	66,808.68		
Free Cash	78,386.60		
	\$56,643.53		

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 1956

Balance Jan. 1, 1956	Appropri- ation or *Transfers	Other Credits *Res. Fund **Other	*Transferred or		Dec. 31, 1956	To Revenue	Forward to Jan. 1, 1957
			Total	Expended			
Assessors Maps	\$1,178.85		\$1,178.85	\$1,178.85			
Tax Revaluation Survey	2,677.58		2,677.58	1,327.10	\$1,350.48	\$1,350.48	
Asseessors Valuation Book		\$1,000.00	1,000.00	945.06	54.94	54.94	\$449.45
Town Hall—Town Offices	600.00		600.00	150.55	449.45		
Town Hall—Roof	500.00		500.00	393.13	106.87	106.87	
Town Hall—Adding Machines	1,000.00		1,000.00	973.00	27.00	27.00	
Town Tall—Electric Clock	1,000.00	** \$76.86	1,076.86	1,005.29	71.57	71.57	
Town Hall—Improving Grounds	200.00		200.00	184.44	15.56	15.56	
Police Cruiser	2,500.00		2,500.00	1,603.81	896.19	896.19	
Rescue Truck	43.63		43.63	43.63			
Fire Department—Ladders, etc		** 2,500.00	2,500.00	1,472.47	1,027.53		1,027.53
Light & Power Committee	500.00		500.00		500.00	500.00	
Civil Engineer—Parking Zones	300.00		300.00		300.00		300.00
Street Reconstruction	4,000.00		4,000.00	3,999.00	1.00	1.00	
New Sidewalk Construction	1,713.62		1,713.62	546.23	1,167.39		1,167.39
Chapter 90—1955	1,406.62	5,718.39	7,125.01	*250.00			
				6,875.01			
Chapter 90—1956		5,000	16,030.38	21,030.38	*688.50		
				20,341.88			
Chapter 90—1955 (Reimbursement County)		5,475.00		5,475.00	5,474.69	.31	.31
New Sea Wall		*7,000.00		7,000.00		7,000.00	7,000.00
Razing Smith House		2,000.00		2,000.00	1,011.40	988.60	988.60

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES 1956

	Balance Jan. 1, 1956	Appropriation or *Transfers **Other			*Transferred or Total	Balance Dec. 31, 1956	To Revenue	Forward to Jan. 1, 1957
		*Res. Fund	**Other	Expended				
Assessors Maps	\$1,178.85			\$1,178.85	\$1,178.85	\$1,178.85		
Tax Revaluation Survey	2,677.58			2,677.58	1,327.10	\$1,350.48	\$1,350.48	
Asseessors Valuation Book		\$1,000.00		1,000.00	945.06	54.94	54.94	
Town Hall—Town Offices	600.00			600.00	150.55	449.45		\$449.45
Town Hall—Roof	500.00			500.00	393.13	106.87	106.87	
Town Hall—Adding Machines	1,000.00			1,000.00	973.00	27.00	27.00	
Town Tall—Electric Clock	1,000.00	** \$76.86		1,076.86	1,005.29	71.57	71.57	
Town Hall—Improving Grounds	200.00			200.00	184.44	15.56	15.56	
Police Cruiser	2,500.00			2,500.00	1,603.81	896.19	896.19	
Rescue Truck	43.63			43.63	43.63			
Fire Department—Ladders, etc		** 2,500.00		2,500.00	1,472.47	1,027.53		1,027.53
Light & Power Committee	500.00			500.00		500.00	500.00	
Civil Engineer—Parking Zones	300.00			300.00		300.00		300.00
Street Reconstruction	4,000.00			4,000.00	3,999.00	1.00	1.00	
New Sidewalk Construction	1,713.62			1,713.62	546.23	1,167.39		1,167.39
Chapter 90—1955	1,406.62		5,718.39	7,125.01	*250.00			
					6,875.01			
Chapter 90—1956		5,000	16,030.38	21,030.38	*688.50			
					20,341.88			
Chapter 90—1955								
(Reimbursement County	5,475.00			5,475.00	5,474.69	.31	.31	
New Sea Wall		*7,000.00		7,000.00		7,000.00		7,000.00
Razing Smith House	2,000.00			2,000.00	1,011.40	988.60		988.60

	Balance Jan. 1, 1956	Appropri- ation or *Transfers	Other Credits *Res. Fund **Other	Total	*Transferred or Expended	Balance Dec. 31, 1956	To Revenue	Forward to Jan. 1, 1957
Article 16—Regular Town Meeting	90.00			90.00	90.00	90.00		
Purchasing Agency Service	185.00			185.00	185.00	185.00		
Tree Planting	400.00			400.00	388.50	11.50	11.50	
Compressor and Tools	2,800.00			2,800.00	2,800.00			
Resurfacing Winslow St. Ext.	*1,500.00			1,500.00		1,500.00		1,500.00
Grading and Improving Parking Lots	*500.00			500.00		500.00		500.00
Oiling Grace Hall Property	700.00			700.00	657.62	42.38	42.38	
Purchase Thomas Francis Lot		12,500.00		12,500.00	12,500.00			
New Town Pier		5,500.00		5,500.00	5,500.00			
Harbor Development	1,500.00	*7,000.00		8,500.00	*7,000.00	1,456.60		1,456.60
					43.40			
26 Infirmary Repairs	500.00		12.50	512.50	497.80	14.70	14.70	
School—1955	1,749.35			1,749.35		1,749.35	1,749.35	
School—New Equipment	4,320.00		107.99	4,427.99	4,152.15	275.84	275.84	
School—Permanent Improvement	12,665.00		210.83	12,875.83	12,782.37	93.46	93.46	
New Elementary School Building	58.62			58.62		58.62	58.62	
Governor Bradford School	33.12			33.12		33.12	33.12	
Nickerson St. Playground	910.50			910.50	290.00	620.50		620.50
Howland St. Playground	84.53			84.53		84.53		84.53
Water Main Service to Wharf		1,500.00		1,500.00	1,409.08	90.92	90.92	
Business and Industrial Commission	200.00			200.00		200.00	200.00	
Water Loan—Chapter 439—								
Acts of 1952	39,163.27			39,163.27		39,163.27		39,163.27
Water Department Truck		2,500.00		2,500.00	1,926.97	573.03	573.03	
	\$56,019.69	\$60,435.00	\$42,656.95	\$159,111.64	\$98,686.93	\$60,424.71	\$6,166.84	\$54,257.87

OPERATING EXPENDITURES 1956

	Balance Jan. 1, 1956	Appropri- ation or *Transfers	Other Credits *Res. Fund **Other	Total	*Transferred or Expended	Balance Dec. 31, 1956	To Revenue	Forward to Jan. 1, 1957
General Government								
Moderator	\$50.00			\$50.00	\$50.00			
Finance Committee	115.00			115.00	115.00			
Selectmen	400.00			400.00	385.97	\$14.03	\$14.03	
Town Manager—Salary and Expense	8,700.00	\$34.52		8,734.52	8,732.59	1.93	1.93	
Town Clerk—Salary and Expense	2,600.00			2,600.00	2,395.14	204.86	204.86	
Town Accountant—Salary and Expense	3,140.00			3,140.00	3,131.59	8.41	8.41	
Treasurer-Collector—Salary and Expense	6,195.00	250.00		6,445.00	6,434.28	10.72	10.72	
Assessors—Salary and Expense	3,565.00			3,565.00	3,484.34	80.66	80.66	
Legal Services	1,200.00	283.82		1,483.82	1,483.82			
Planning Board	225.00			225.00	41.64	183.36	183.36	
Zoning Board of Appeals	100.00			100.00	98.92	1.08	1.08	
Elections and Town Meetings—P. Services	780.00	194.35		974.35	907.25	67.10	67.10	
Elections and Town Meetings—Expenses	520.00			520.00	*117.25	48.96	48.96	
					353.79			
Annual Reports	800.00			800.00	573.90	226.10	226.10	
Town Crier	600.00			600.00	600.00			
Town Hall—Salary and Expenses	6,800.00			6,800.00	6,422.17	377.83	377.83	
	\$35,790.00	\$762.69	\$36,552.69	\$35,327.65	\$1,225.04	\$1,225.04		

	Balance Jan. 1, 1956	Appropri- ation or *Transfers	Other Credits *Res. Fund **Other	*Transferred Balance			
				Total	Expended	or Dec. 31, 1956	To Forward to Revenue Jan. 1, 1957
Protection of Persons and Property							
Police—Salary and Expense	\$25,175.00	.05	\$25,175.05	\$23,695.28	\$1,479.77	\$1,479.77	
Fire Department—Salary and Expense	13,875.00	**\$1,000.63	14,875.63	*1,000.00	464.15	464.15	
				13,411.48			
Police and Fire Insurance	600.00		600.00	580.30	19.70	19.70	
Dog Officer	150.00		150.00	150.00			
Ambulance Hire	1,750.00		1,750.00	1,750.00			
Bounty on Seals	50.00		50.00	20.00	30.00	30.00	
Street Lighting	11,952.00	*73.48	12,025.48	12,025.48			
Shellfish Constable	1,920.00		1,920.00	1,920.00			
Sealer of Weights and Measures	150.00		150.00	150.00			
Building Inspector	250.00		250.00	250.00			
Inspector of Wiring	250.00		250.00	250.00			
Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering	25.00		25.00	25.00			
Dutch Elm Protection	200.00		200.00	200.00			
Pest Control	500.00	*10.00	510.00	510.00			
Tree Warden	25.00		25.00	25.00			
Civilian Defense	\$1,410.02	1,000.00		2,410.02	572.35	1,837.67	\$1,837.67
Parking Meters		500.00		500.00	383.83	116.17	116.17
	\$1,410.02	\$58,372.00	\$1,084.16	\$60,866.18	\$56,918.72	\$3,947.46	\$2,109.79
							\$1,837.67
Health and Sanitation							
Health—Salary and Expenses	\$6,205.00	* \$122.70	\$6,327.70	\$6,304.89	\$22.81	\$22.81	
	\$6,205.00	\$122.70	\$6,327.70	\$6,304.89	\$22.81	\$22.81	

	Balance Jan. 1, 1956	Appropri- ation or *Transfers	Other Credits *Res. Fund **Other	*Transferred Balance			
				Total	Expended	or Dec. 31, 1956	To Forward to Revenue Jan. 1, 1957
Public Works							
Street Department—Salary and Expenses	\$28,960.00	**\$2,390.00 **16.14	\$31,366.14	\$30,841.97	\$524.17	\$524.17	
Town Wharf—Salary and Expenses	4,501.00		4,501.00	3,758.18	742.82	742.82	
Rubbish Department—Salary and Expenses	12,400.00	**38.91	12,438.91	12,206.26	232.65	232.65	
	\$45,861.00	\$2,445.05	\$48,306.05	\$46,806.41	\$1,499.64	\$1,499.64	
Charities and Veteran's Benefits							
Administration	\$6,015.00	**\$88.73 **4,285.74	\$10,389.47	\$10,389.47			
General Relief	6,500.00	*357.86 **49.65	6,907.51	6,907.46	.05	.05	
Town Infirmary	5,632.00		5,632.00	2,980.39	\$2,651.61	\$2,651.61	
Cape End Manor	15,000.00	8,488.07	23,488.07	23,486.08	1.99	1.99	
Old Age Assistance	*4,900.00	*85.01	90,765.06	90,692.86	72.20	72.20	
	85,408.00	**372.05					
Aid to Dependent Children	23,000.00	** 401.15	23,401.15	23,252.69	148.46	148.46	
Disability Assistance	4,460.00	** 496.50	4,965.50	4,965.50			
Veteran's Services	9,120.00	*168.91 **38.50	9,327.41	9,327.41			
	\$160,035.00	\$14,832.17	\$174,867.17	\$171,992.86	\$2,874.31	\$2,874.31	
Schools and Libraries							
School—Main Account	*\$5,800.00 181,901.00	* \$322.34 * * 266.65	\$188,289.99	\$188,234.65	\$55.34	\$55.34	

	Appropri- Other Credits			*Transferred Balance			
	Balance Jan. 1, 1956	ation or *Transfers	*Res. Fund **Other	Total	Expended	Dec. 31, 1956	To Revenue Jan. 1, 1957
Vocational Schools	\$1,909.84	8,347.00	** 450.69	10,707.53	9,882.96	824.57	\$824.57
Cafeteria	266.45	11,650.00	**13.50	11,929.95	11,901.50	28.45	28.45
Adult Education	154.00	300.00		454.00	317.31	136.69	136.69
Public Library		7,230.00	**37.06	7,267.06	6,792.63	474.43	474.43
	\$2,330.29	\$215,228.00	\$1,090.24	\$218,648.53	\$217,129.05	\$1,519.48	\$694.91
							\$824.57
Recreation and Unclassified							
Community Center Program		\$5,500.00		\$5,500.00	\$5,326.56	\$173.44	\$173.44
Playgrounds		2,785.00	** \$344.51	3,129.51	3,129.51		
Swimming Instruction		320.00		320.00	319.65	.35	.35
Summer Baseball		500.00	**5.45	505.45	360.27	145.18	145.18
Patriotic Observances		750.00	*71.75	821.75	821.75		
July 4th Celebration		1,250.00		1,250.00	1,086.30	163.70	163.70
Christmas Lighting		3,000.00		3,000.00	2,754.24	245.76	245.76
Advertising Town		2,500.00		2,500.00	2,493.93	6.07	6.07
		\$16,605.00	\$421.71	\$17,026.71	\$16,292.21	\$734.50	\$734.50
Enterprises and Cemeteries							
Water Department		\$62,216.25		\$62,216.25	\$61,306.28	\$909.97	\$909.97
Cemeteries		1,000.00		1,000.00	999.91	.09	.09
		\$63,216.25		\$63,216.25	\$62,306.19	\$910.06	\$910.06

	Appropri- Other Credits			*Transferred Balance			
	Balance Jan. 1, 1956	ation or *Transfers	*Res. Fund **Other	Total	Expended	Dec. 31, 1956	To Revenue Jan. 1, 1957
Miscellaneous Finance							
Maturing Debt		\$38,000.00		\$38,000.00	\$38,000.00		
Interest on Debt		13,167.50		13,167.50	13,167.50		
Interest on Temporary Loans		1,000.00	* \$109.68	1,109.68	1,109.68		
County Retirement Fund		3,506.00		3,506.00	3,505.19	.81	.81
Workmen's Compensation		2,625.00	*295.76	3,469.42	2,920.76	\$548.66	\$548.66
			** 548.66				
Reserve Fund		10,000.00		10,000.00	10,000.00		
Parking Lot Leases		550.00	*21.69	571.69	571.69		
Insurance Public Buildings		10,000.00	** 578.86	10,578.86	7,255.36	3,323.50	3,323.50
		\$78,848.50	\$1,554.65	\$80,403.15	\$76,530.18	\$3,872.97	\$3,872.97
Miscellaneous Expenditures							
Court Judgments	-\$1,000.00	\$2,000.00		\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Tax Title Foreclosures		216.00		216.00		216.00	216.00
Barnstable County Tax	-6,652.45	63,326.96		56,674.51	\$64,629.63	-7,955.12	
State Audit		3,797.43		3,797.43	3,797.43		
Pest Control	-9.58	3,176.81		3,167.23	3,160.34	6.89	
Parks and Reservations	112.52	689.62		802.14	1,291.73	-489.59	
Town Pier—Emergency Overlay 1956		7,000.00		7,000.00	7,000.00		
		11,105.71		11,105.71	5,923.73	5,181.98	
		-\$7,549.51	\$91,312.53		\$83,763.02	\$85,802.86	-\$2,039.84
							\$1,216.00

WILLIAM J. McCAFFREY, Town Accountant

Planning Board

At the Annual Town Meeting in March of 1956 the Planning Board promised to bring in a completely revised Zoning By-Law more appropriate to the needs of the Town of Provincetown for the next Annual Town Meeting. With this aim in mind the Planning Board has met frequently and studied carefully the existing law with eye to revisions necessary.

At one of the first meetings on the subject held in early April the Board met with Mr. Alan McClellan, the Director of the Division of Planning of the Massachusetts Department of Commerce. He discussed the existing law as well as laws from other towns and pointed out that here in Provincetown lies one of the greatest problems in the Commonwealth in the preparation of a Zoning By-Law because of the already built up nature of the area. He offered all of the facilities of his department to aid the local board on the project.

Meeting frequently the Planning Board finally came up with its initial draft of a new Zoning By-Law early in January. Next step was a meeting with the Board of Appeals to discuss details and make desired revisions. The proposed law was then printed in both local newspapers for an informal public hearing at which interested parties were offered the opportunity of meeting with the board and suggesting desired changes. Following this the final proposed copy was released to the newspapers for legal advertising as required by General Laws with the formal hearing scheduled for February 8, 1957. The law will then be inserted in the Annual Town Warrant and acted upon at the Annual Town Meeting in March of 1957.

The Planning Board strongly recommends that all residents study the proposed law as it is felt that many of the complaints of the old law have been rectified. But the Planning Board most strongly goes on record as recommending that the Town retain permanently some type of zoning protection at all times as essential to the preservation of the present character of the Town. To permit all types of construction and building without consideration of the desires of neighbors and the community would in short time bring about a chaos from which it would be difficult for the Town ever to recover.

JOHN C. VAN ARSDALE, Chairman
JOHN J. ALEXANDER, Secretary
GEORGE A. BAKER
MATTHEW J. COSTA
JOHN D. FIELDS

Board of Appeals

Annual report of the Board of Appeals January 1, 1956-January 1, 1957.

The following appeals were heard and granted:

Harold W. MacFarlane to erect addition on east side of Viking Restaurant; William Earl Cabral to erect one-story stable, Creek Road and Bradford Streets; Walter J. Croteau to operate lunch bar and dining room, 98 Bradford Street; George Silva to enlarge store corner Court and Bradford Streets; John Silva to enclose porch at 3 Holway Street; George Silva to enlarge store corner Court and Bradford (different plan, first not used); Amelia Medeiros to add kitchenette, 9 Dyer Street; Joseph McCabe to build motel on Route 6A, Mayflower Heights; Joseph F. Ferreira to erect Dairy Queen corner Bradford and West Vine Streets; Joseph A. Marshall to enlarge existing store at 128 Bradford Street; Joseph T. Peters to enlarge filling station corner Commercial and Bradford Streets; Bruce T. Tarvers to erect motel 175 Bradford Street.

The following appeals were denied:

Duncan Bryant to erect motel adjacent to 467 Commercial Street (later re-zoned); Provincetown Symphony Society, lessee of Town of Provincetown, to erect outside stairway at 351 Commercial Street; Richard B. Knudson and James M. Flagg to enclose and extend garage at 63 Commercial Street for a craft shop.

Of 15 appeals filed, 12 were granted and 3 denied.

The Board respectfully urges citizens to fill out the applications for permit to build and applications to appeal in greater detail with all areas and measurements shown. These applications may be found at the Town Hall.

ETHEL ARCHER BALL, Secretary

Police Department

I hereby submit my eleventh annual report as Chief of Police of the Town of Provincetown.

CRIMES PROSECUTED

	Male	Female	Total
Crimes against the person			
Assault and Battery	11	1	12
Crimes against property			
Breaking, entering, larceny	24		24
Larceny, and attempt	16		16
Malicious mischief	4		4
Trespass	4	1	5
Using Motor Vehicle without authority	5		5
Crimes against public order, etc.			
Violating town by-laws	18	3	21
Disturbing the peace	23	13	36
Operating motor vehicle to endanger life	23		23
Operating motor vehicle while intoxicated	28	2	30
Drunkenness	161	11	172
Lewdness	14	3	17
Liquor laws, violating	3		3
Motor vehicle laws, violating	40		40
Neglect, non-support	2	1	3
Traffic rules, violating	16		16
Vagrants	4		4
Unnatural act		2	2
Totals	396	37	433
Arrests for other departments			5
Summons served for other departments			24
Accidents investigated			42
Citizens' complaints investigated			421
Closed property checks			301
Parking tickets issued			209
Courtesy tags issued			103
Insane commitments			5
Investigations for other police agencies			17
Disturbances suppressed			36
Ambulance calls			24
Cruiser trips to Barnstable			23

WILLIAM N. ROGERS,
Chief of Police

Fire Department

We hereby submit the following report of the Fire Department for the year ending December 31, 1956.

JANUARY 1, 1956. Still alarm at 2:35 A. M. for a fire at 650 Commercial Street. House occupied by Norman Paulhus, owned by John Van Arsdale. Caused by defective fireplace.

JANUARY 23, 1956. Alarm sounded at 4:15 P. M. for a fire at 423 Commercial Street. False alarm.

JANUARY 27, 1956. Still alarm at State Highway, Provincetown dump.

FEBRUARY 27, 1956. Alarm sounded at 1:15 P. M. for a fire at 8 Soper Street. Property owned by Lillie T. Varney. Oil heater flare up.

APRIL 7, 1956. Still alarm off State Highway, Town dump.

APRIL 17, 1956. 10:30 A. M. Grass fire at 236 Bradford Street. Land owned by Town of Provincetown.

MAY 1, 1956. Alarm sounded at 4:40 A. M. Second alarm at 4:50 A. M. for a fire at 1 Commercial Street. Property owned by Carl Murchison. Cause of fire was a short circuit in wiring.

MAY 2, 1956. Alarm sounded at 5:20 A. M. at 6 Commercial Street at the Red Inn. False alarm.

MAY 8, 1956. Alarm sounded at 8 P. M. for a fire at 321 Commercial Street, (Lobster Pot). Property owned by Ralph Medeiros. Grease fire in the kiechen.

MAY 12, 1956. Alarm sounded at 9:20 A. M. for a fire at 42 Pearl Street. Property owned and occupied by Manuel Henrique. Hot grease from fry pan boiled over and caused short circuit in the electric range.

MAY 28, 1956. Alarm sounded at 4:40 A. M. Second alarm at 5 A. M. Bradford Street Extension. Property owned by Maline Costa. Cause of fire was a space heater in the Jug Room.

JUNE 16, 1956. Alarm sounded at 4:15 P. M. for a fire at 674 Commercial Street. Property owned by Mrs. Max Baum. Dwelling hit by lightning.

JUNE 25, 1956. Alarm sounded at 1:30 P. M. for a fire at Mayflower Avenue. Property owned and occupied by Phillip Blake. Fire started on roof caused by sparks from chimney.

JUNE 30, 1956. Still alarm at 12:20 P. M. off State Highway, Town dump.

JUNE 30, 1956. Alarm sounded at 2 P. M. for a fire at 39 Franklin Street. Fire in field owned by Albert Almeida, caused by incinerator.

JULY 2, 1956. Still alarm at 11:30 A. M. at 349 Commercial Street, Hopkins Cleaners. Fire caused by oil burner flare up in cellar.

JULY 23, 1956. Alarm sounded at 5:30 P. M. for a fire at Holway Avenue. Property owned by Manuel Steele. Cause of fire was set by children in field.

AUGUST 3, 1956. Alarm sounded at 2 P. M. at 621 Commercial Street. Property owned and occupied by Hawthorne Bissell. Cause of fire, sparks from fireplace ignited the roof.

AUGUST 5, 1956. Alarm sounded at 6:30 P. M. for fire at Macara's Wharf. Cause of fire was a cigarette.

AUGUST 6, 1956. Alarm sounded at 4:15 P. M. for a fire at Priscilla Alden Road. Cause of fire in field was set by children.

AUGUST 6, 1956. Alarm sounded at 9:20 P. M. for a fire at 321 Commercial Street. Building owned and occupied by Ralph Medeiros. Dish washer motor smoked in kitchen.

AUGUST 17, 1956. Still alarm at 7 P. M. for a grass fire on the corner of West Vine and Bradford Street. Property owned by Mrs. Hannah Smith.

AUGUST 21, 1956. Still alarm at 2:45 P. M. for a fire at Aresta's Restaurant on Commercial Street, owned and operated by Manuel Aresta. Cause of fire was flare up of gas hot water heater in kitchen.

AUGUST 21, 1956. Alarm sounded at 6:55 P. M. for a summer cottage at 351A Commercial Street, owned by John Burt. Cause of fire was over-heated gas heater in living room.

AUGUST 24, 1956. Still alarm at 9 P. M. for a fire in front of the New York Store on Commercial Street. Trash can on fire caused by a carelessly thrown cigarette.

AUGUST 26, 1956. Telephone operator called Chief Manuel A. White that the Air Force Base in North Truro was in need of help for a forest fire. Pumpers number 4 and 5 responded.

SEPTEMBER 9, 1956. At 12:30 P. M. Truro Fire Chief Joseph called for assistance for the dwelling of John Thompson at North Truro for a flash fire at his home in North Truro. Pumper 5 responded.

SEPTEMBER 25, 1956. Alarm sounded at 2:35 P. M. for a fire off State Highway, Town dump.

SEPTEMBER 26, 1956. Still alarm at 206 Commercial Street for a flooded oil burner in the boiler room.

SEPTEMBER 28, 1956. Still alarm at 2:30 at 535 Commercial Street. Property owned by Eldred Mowery. Oil heater flooded in kitchen.

OCTOBER 18, 1956. Alarm sounded at 10:50 P. M. for a fire at 33 Franklin Street. Property owned by Ann Christenson. Occupied by Anthony Boatman. Cause of fire was smoking in bed.

OCTOBER 25, 1956. Alarm sounded at 4:20 A. M. for a fire at 411 Commercial street. Property owned and occupied by Joseph Francis, used as lodging house. Cause of fire was a roomer smoking in bed.

NOVEMBER 22, 1956. Still alarm at 4:45 A. M. for a pole afire at 251 Bradford Street. Pumper No. 5 responded.

DECEMBER 9, 1956. Alarm was sounded at 6:45 P. M. for a fire off State Highway, Town dump.

DECEMBER 31, 1956. Still alarm at 4 P. M. at Ciro and Sal's Restaurant on Kiley Court. Pedestrian reported smoke coming out of chimney. Water pipe burst. Dwelling not occupied.

Fire Alarm

The town is divided into five districts:

First, Provincetown Inn to Franklin Street
Second, Franklin Street to Court Street
Third, Court Street to Johnson Street
Fourth, Johnson Street to Howland Street
Fifth, Howland Street to Town Line

MANUEL A. WHITE, Chief
WARREN ALEXANDER, Asst. Chief
WILBUR COOK
HERMAN RIVARD
JAMES RODERICK
EDWARD NOONS
JOHN FIELDS

Provincetown Rescue Squad

I hereby submit my report of the calls answered from January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956.

JANUARY 1, 1956. Called by Police Department to go to Dr. Hiebert's office. Mrs. Joan Souza Cordeiro who had been in an auto accident was taken home.

JANUARY 19, 1956. Called by Dr. Hiebert to bring Mrs. Mae Lewis for X-Ray. Mrs. Lewis was X-Rayed and then taken home.

JANUARY 19, 1956. Called by telephone operators to go to home of Mr. Clarence Prada. Squad members worked on him for nearly an hour with the resuscitator and Dr. Perry pronounced Mr. Prada dead.

FEBRUARY 22, 1956. Called by Coast Gard to transport Seaman Lowe from wharf to Dr. Hiebert's office. The man was treated by Dr. Hiebert for head injuries and taken to Race Point Coast Guard Station.

MARCH 6, 1956. Called by Police Department to go to the home of Dr. Lockwood. Police and Squad members worked on Dr. Lockwood but their efforts were useless and Dr. Lockwood was pronounced dead by Dr. Perry.

MARCH 24, 1956. Called by Dr. Hiebert to bring Ronnie Gray for X-Rays after which he was taken home.

APRIL 8, 1956. Called by Dr. Hiebert to aid in giving oxygen to Mrs. Jennie Ramos. Mrs. Ramos was taken to the Cape Cod Hospital in the Lower Cape Ambulance and oxygen was administered to her on the trip as far as Brewster where she died.

APRIL 17 and 28, 1956. Ronnie Gray brought in to Dr. Hieber for X-Rays and then taken home.

JUNE 9, 1956. Called by Police to aid in pulling Richard Evans out of water. The man, who had fallen off the Town Wharf was pulled from the water and taken home.

JUNE 21, 1956. Called by Dr. Perry to give oxygen to Frank Stacy who had suffered a heart attack. Oxygen was administered until Mr. Stacy was made comfortable.

JUNE 29, 1956. Called by Lower Cape Ambulance Driver to help put Mrs. Carl Knatz on a stretcher and to act as attendants on way to Cape Cod Hospital in Lower Cape Ambulance.

JULY 6, 1956. Called by Mrs. Anna Lewis to assist Mr. Maurice Sterne, who was an invalid, from his car and into bed. Help was given.

JULY 21, 1956. Called by Dr. Perry to give oxygen to Mrs. Amelia Days. Oxygen was given to her in Doctor's office until she was comfortable. Squad members accompanied Mrs. Days in the Lower Cape Ambulance to the Cape Cod Hospital, administering oxygen all the way.

JULY 25, 1956. Called by telephone operator to go to the Town Wharf where Mr. Joseph Lopes had been seriously injured. Oxygen was given to Mr. Lopes but he was finally pronounced dead by Dr. Perry.

JULY 25, 1956. Called by Police Department to go to the Portuguese Bakery where Mrs. Helen Harrington had become very ill. She was taken to Dr. Hiebert's office for treatment.

AUGUST 11, 1956. Called by Dr. Perry to give oxygen to Isadore Craves.

AUGUST 13, 1956. Called by Dr. Hiebert to aid in giving oxygen to Mr. Henry Greenberg. Man was given oxygen until Dr. Hiebert's equipment was brought to Mr. Greenberg's room.

AUGUST 15, 1956. Called by Dr. Perry to aid in giving oxygen to Mr. Joseph Lopes. Oxygen was administered to Mr. Lopes by Squad members all the way to the Cape Cod Hospital where Mr. Lopes was taken in the Lower Cape Ambulance.

AUGUST 19, 1956. Called by telephone operator for accident at Route 6 and Conwell Street. Mr. Fred Prescott and his wife, Doris were removed from their car, taken to Dr. Hiebert's office, X-Rayed, and treated. Later they were taken to Fitchburg General Hospital with two Squad members as attendants in the Lower Cape Ambulance.

AUGUST 20, 1956. Called at 2:05 P. M. by Dr. Perry to aid in giving Mrs. Rowe oxygen. Oxygen was given until Mrs. Rowe was made comfortable, and taken home.

AUGUST 20, 1956. Called at 5:00 P. M. by Dr. Perry to assist in putting Mrs. Rowe on a stretcher and into the Lower Cape Ambulance. Two Squad members went along as attendants with resuscitator.

AUGUST 26, 1956. Called by Dr. Compton to help in quieting Mr. Edmund Santos who had become mentally ill.

SEPTEMBER 8, 1956. Called by Mrs. Maurice Sterne to help get Mr. Sterne out of bed, into wheel chair, and into auto.

SEPTEMBER 23, 1956. Called by Mrs. Manuel Cabral to take her

mother, Mrs. Mary S. Palheiro up to a second floor apartment. Mrs. Palheiro was returning from hospital where she had been treated for an injured hip.

SEPTEMBER 25, 1956. Called by Dr. Perry to aid in giving oxygen to Mrs. Helen Woods. Oxygen was administered until Mrs. Woods was made comfortable.

SEPTEMBER 25, 1956. Called by Mrs. Judith Zora to take her mother, Mrs. Murray, who was an invalid, from her Commercial Street apartment to her second floor apartment at 353 Commercial Street.

OCTOBER 10, 1956. Called by Dr. Perry to take Mrs. Lillie T. Varney from her home to the Cape End Manor.

OCTOBER 25, 1956. Called by Mrs. Murray to help her get back into her wheel chair. Mrs. Murray, who is crippled, had fallen from the chair and could not get back in.

OCTOBER 26, 1956. Called by telephone operator to go to Pearl and Bradford Streets, where Mrs. Anna Costa had been hit by a car. Mrs. Costa was taken to Dr. Hiebert's office in the Rescue Truck and later taken to the Cape Cod Hospital in the Lower Cape Ambulance with two Squad members and Squad nurse as attendants.

NOVEMBER 4, 1956. Called by Mrs. John Souza to take Mrs. John Alexander from the Cape End Manor to the home of Mrs. Souza where Mr. Alexander is an invalid. It was their 31st Wedding Anniversary and the couple had not seen each other for four years. Mrs. Alexander spent four hours with Mr. Alexander and was then taken back to the Manor by Squad members.

NOVEMBER 5, 1956. Called by Dr. Perry to take Mr. Henry Brown to Cape End Manor for treatment.

NOVEMBER 13, 1956. Called by Dr. Hiebert to transport Mr. Richard Kenny to the doctor's office for X-Rays.

NOVEMBER 19, 1956. Called by Dr. Hiebert to help in taking Mrs. Annie Wippich from the Anchor and Ark Club to her home at the Hatchway Cottage.

DECEMBER 5, 1956. Called by Mrs. Mary Santos to take her son Leno to Dr. Hiebert's office for X-Rays. He was then taken home by Squad members.

DECEMBER 17, 1956. Called by Dr. Perry to aid in giving oxygen to Mrs. Lillian Watson. Oxygen was administered for two hours until Mrs. Watson was made comfortable. Resuscitator was left at the Manor in case it was needed later.

DECEMBER 19, 1956. Called by Dr. Hiebert to bring Mr. Manuel Jason to the doctor's office.

DECEMBER 21, 1956. Called by Dr. Hiebert to bring Mrs. Edward Allen to the doctor's office.

DECEMBER 24, 1956. Called by telephone operator to go to the home of Mr. James Nelson where oxygen was administered to Mr. Nelson for 45 minutes. Dr. Hiebert's equipment was then set up.

DECEMBER 28, 1956. Called to give oxygen to Mr. Warren Alexander until the Lower Cape Ambulance arrived to take him to Pocasset Hospital. Resuscitator was taken along in case of need and one Squad member went along as attendant.

During the year 11 Firemen were given First Aid for cuts and one Fireman was taken home overcome by smoke and suffering from exposure.

Rescue Truck answers all Fire Alarms.

JOSEPH A. DUTRA

Dog Officer and Animal Inspector

I wish to submit my report as Dog Officer and Animal Inspector for the year 1956.

DOG OFFICER

Dogs licensed		Animals removed from Highways	
Male	132	Dogs	114
Spayed Female	37	Cats	184
Female	56	Skunks	27
Dogs impounded	4	Rats	10
Dogs destroyed at Pound	2	Raccoons	11
Dogs returned to owners	7	Foxes	8
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ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Animals inspected during 1956

Horses	9
Goats	11

CLARENCE E. PIERCE

Lower Cape Ambulance Association

Balance on hand December 31, 1955	\$419.20
RECEIPTS	
Town of Provincetown—Appropriation	\$1,750.00
Town of Truro—Appropriation	700.00
Town of Wellfleet—Appropriation	1,050.00
Services and Donations	545.00
	4,045.00
Transfer from Replacement Fund	
Seamen's Savings Bank	1,750.00
Wellfleet Savings Bank	1,750.00
	3,500.00
	\$7,964.20
EXPENDITURES	
Gas and Oil	\$453.02
Drivers	1,066.50
Upkeep and Repairs	70.53
New Ambulance	5,075.00
Short Wave Radio	471.06
Equipment	156.46
Laundry	33.72
Meals	52.50
Insurance	300.11
Social Security Taxes	34.56
Miscellaneous	67.40
	7,780.86
Balance on hand December 31, 1956	183.34
	\$7,964.20
REPLACEMENT FUND	
Balance on hand December 31, 1956	\$1,220.30
On deposit in Seamen's Savings Bank	\$612.06
On deposit in Wellfleet Savings Bank	608.24
	\$1,220.30
Number of Trips	130
Provincetown	54 — 42%
Truro	21 — 16%
Wellfleet .	53 — 41%
Mutual Assistance (Orleans—1) (Eastham—1)	2 — 1%
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	130

CYRIL W. DOWNS, JR.,
Treasurer

Shellfish Committee

We had the clam flats closed for 2 years and opened November 1, 1956 and after being closed for that time and good care by Shellfish Warden for the two years paid off by having a real good warden. We opened the shellfish area the 1st of November and clams and quahaugs were very plentiful up to the first of year. Hope they all were satisfied for amount taken which was 431 buckets of quahaugs and 261 buckets of clams.

FRANK CABRAL, Chairman

Sealer of Weights and Measures

In accordance with General Laws Chapter 98 (sec. 34-35) I submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1956.

WEIGHING AND MEASURING DEVICES

Total number sealed	218
Total number adjusted	4
Total number not sealed	5
Total number condemned	none

TOTAL WEIGHING AND MEASURING COMMODITIES SOLD OR PUT UP FOR SALE

Total number tested	177
Total number correct	151
Total number under weight	22
Total number over	4

SUMMARY OF INSPECTIONS MADE

Peddlars licenses	12
Ice Scales	4
Markings on Bread	42
Food Packages	59
Peddlars Scales	6
Other Inspections	65

Total Sealing and adjusting Charges collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer \$71.10

Appropriation	\$150.00
Salary and Expenses	\$150.00

ARTHUR B. SILVA

Building Inspector

Permits issued	38
Applications referred to Zoning Board of Appeals for variances	15
Complaints investigated	6
Total cost of building	\$89,785.00
New construction	\$81,300.00
Remodeling	8,485.00

ROBERT E. COLLINSON

Inspector of Wires

I hereby submit my first annual report as Inspector of Wires for the Town of Provincetown.

Total Inspections made	512
Installations requiring changes	17
Installations found dangerous and condemned	5

In 1956, there were considerable revisions made within both residential and commercial buildings. As more appliances and electrical apparatus are added to existing services, it becomes necessary to increase the source of supply in order to prevent dangerous overloading and the possibility of fire. There still exist numerous buildings in Provincetown that are using 2 wire, 110 volt systems, which eventually will have to be changed in order to meet wiring requirements.

At this time, I would like to thank Mr. Ray Ham, Cape & Vineyard Electric, who has been most cooperative with this department.

DONALD T. GLEASON

Health Department

Health Agent

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES REPORTED

German Measles	79
Measles	24
Venereal	2
Mumps	50
Chicken Pox	4
Spinal Meningitis	1
Tuberculosis	1
Dog Bites	37

PERMITS NOT REQUIRING FEES

Burial	37
Health Certificates	921
Sanitary Licenses	3
Cesspool Construction	56
Funeral Directing	4
Complaints	55
Premature Babies	6

The complaints which were received pertain mostly to sanitary conditions which were investigated and remedied by those involved. It was necessary in only two cases to have abatement of nuisances served. As you probably know our harbor and flats have been declared free of pollution which this Department has been striving for.

In regards to hospitalization, we have one patient in the Barnstable County Hospital and had six premature babies at the Cape Cod Hospital.

J. DARROW ADAMS

Public Health Nurse

Number of Home Visits	936
Number of Patients	225
Home Deliveries	4
Ambulance Trips	2
Number X-ray Chest Clinic	210
T.B. Follow-up	24
Number Toxoid Clinics (Jan., Feb., March and April)	4
32 Diet Classes	366
2 Polio Clinics	772
Old Age Assistance Calls	328

Free Calls (Teaching Visits)	255
Holiday Calls	3
Sunday Calls	8
Night Calls	6
Student Program	2
Collections (Home)	\$96.50
Student Tuition	\$102.20
Total Collections	198.70

OTHER ACTIVITIES

January

Second term of student, Dorothy Curtin, R. N. Midterm evaluation of student brought Miss Marjory Stimson, Professor of Public Health Nursing, Simmons College, Boston, to our town. Miss Mary Susich, R. N., Consultant in Public Health Nursing, Barnstable County, also attended this meeting.

February

Presented to a large group of mothers two films on Polio. These two meetings were held at the Town Hall.

March

Sponsored meeting at which Dr. Hugh Wilkerson, Chief of the United States Diabetes Research, was the lecturer. Thirty attended. It was a real stormy night.

April

Attended lecture at the Cape Cod Hospital where Dr. Jellinek, Assistant Superintendent of Lakeville Sanatorium, Middleboro, spoke on arthritis.

May

Welcomed a new student nurse, Miss Blanche Wolden, R. N., from Boston University. She resided with Mrs. Ann Dennis during her two months' stay.

June

Visited the Massachusetts Hospital School in Canton, Mass. This school is for the rehabilitation of cerebral palsy victims.

July

Vacation. Mrs. Helen Pierce, R. N., school nurse covered.

August

Conference with Miss Mary Susich, R. N.

September

Visited Lakeville Sanatorium, Middleboro, Mass.

November

Elected Chairman of Committee on Public Health Education by P-TA.

Prepared articles on fluoridation for publication. Prepared pamphlet on Provincetown Public Health Service.

December

Held conference with Miss Mary Susich and Dr. F. Moore, Barnstable County Health Officer, to set up new record system for this office. These are a few of the events of 1956. Thanks to all of you who have helped me in so many ways.

JESSIE T. HATHAWAY, R. N.

Moth Superintendent

Appropriation	\$500.00	Expended	\$510.00
Reserve Fund	10.00	Balance	—

WORK

Gather all seed of the tent caterpillars and burn. Paint all nests of the gypsy and brown tail moths. Put in the woods fifteen traps all over town and look at every week. Any moths ship to Lab. (Miles 211—about half in town)

ELM TREES			
Appropriation	\$200.00	Expended	\$200.00
Balance	—	—	—

Trim trees. Inspect 77 elm trees all season, gather samples and send to Lab, and post any trees that have Dutch Elm disease.

RAYMOND H. MARSTON

Librarian – Public Library

This is a Chronicle of the Provincetown Public Library for 1956, for which we are seven months' responsible. We came June First, and faced the summer crowd, which was hectic. People surged in, smiling, and we smiled back. That may have done it! For no one criticised me, at least directly. Cues to the door almost got the better of me, but we always had the assistant Librarian, Mrs. Eleanor Meads to fall back on. She had several years experience behind her, and has no mean memory for both order and library laws.

We issued 184 temporary summer cards, an increase over all previous summers. We had names on that list which are world known. We had big artists, and honor students of New York state importance, musicians known in Europe, Asia and Africa. We had just plain readers who apparently digested four books each, twice a week, even though they bathed, sunned and socialized at the Beach. Every one of these patrons enjoyed our Library. We quarreled with no one of them. Have received letters of gratitude from some. Just this last week, one came from young Lucy Davidson, daughter of Morris Davidson, the noted artist with studio in the old Hawthorne house.

We have purchased many books, popular, scientific, biographical, junior. We added CHILDCRAFT to our juvenile list. All fifteen books, all but magic. We have paper cues for best selling literature, each name treated justly. John Agna, the chairman of our trustees suggested we thumbtack the new book jackets to the various wooden panels in our main room. Immediately we did this, and added an artistic touch of color to our walls, as well as giving an easy way for our patrons to see that we have all the latest literature. Not so many copies, to be sure, as the city libraries.

Almost 19,000 books have gone out from the main desk. This includes the five months previous to our coming. During the summer it was not rare for 150 books to be checked out in a few hours, and as many were returned. The younger folk read avidly, preferring mystery tales, Robin Hood, Inez Hogan and Walt Disney. The older folk leaned toward Wolf, James, Tolstoy, and Fitzgerald. They wore some of these authors' volumes to a loose rag. We are slowly replacing them.

It is amazing the gifts we have received! It started when Blanche Lazzell bequeathed us one of her exquisite block prints, and nearly all of her personal library. Rear Admiral Donald B. MacMillan replaced all of his famous volumes. Miss Edith L. Bush has presented perhaps the most spectacular contribution. We have her two books on exhibition. They are, one huge tome, over two hundred years old, written in Latin, in England's Cambridge University. The other a nearly two

hundred years old volume, not so large, in Italian. On the same shelf with these books, are smaller ones, in a lovely shade of pale blue, stories in Portuguese, given by Ernest Frechette, and a nucleus for our Portuguese shelves, which we so hopefully plan.

Other books given include Hans Hofmann's own book on art. A complete Encyclopedia from the Women's Auxiliary of Foreign Wars. Histories and interesting non-fiction, gifts from Myron S. Stout. And many other books received to which he have given recognition in either the Advocate or the New Beacon.

The teen agers from the High School are in the Library, some of them, all hours. They pore over Encyclopedias, histories, books of poetry. They have lists of queries for which they diligently seek answers. They are always welcome! Also the little children love their department, coming in, sometimes with parents, but mostly alone, selecting their colorful books, bringing them to our desk, and waiting for the warmth of recognition, and appreciation.

MARION B. HAYMAKER

Constable's Report

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

As Constable I try to be alert to traffic problems, especially traffic jams, which, of course, occur quite often during the summer season. I immediately try to ease the situation and keep the traffic flowing smoothly. One very important area in which traffic jams occur frequently is near the entrance to, and exit from the Town Pier. Whenever in the vicinity I try to keep it clear. The three parking spaces certainly helped to relieve the congestion of former years.

Another service I performed was helping visitors find parking space, answering their questions and directing them wherever they wanted to go.

During the course of the summer season I stopped a few speedsters and stated our speed limit and always found drivers to be very receptive. During the year I have posted Warrants for the Town Meetings, Elections, etc.

JOSEPH A. ROGERS

Welfare Department

This is my fifth annual report as Welfare Agent. In addition to administering all four categorical public assistance programs this office is also now responsible, along with and to the Town Manager (Welfare Board) for the operation (administratively) of the Public Medical Institution, the Cape End Manor. The full report of the Committee on Conversion of the old Town Infirmary is published elsewhere in this Town Report book and therefore has been purposely omitted from this report. Not until a full fiscal year of operation will the Public Medical Institution be included herein.

During the year ending December 31, 1956, a total of 967 visits were made on all four assistance categories. (This total included visits made to recipients in other cities and towns, hospitals, nursing homes, boarding homes and living with relatives or friends.) The total visits for 1956 exceed the total visits made in 1955 by one hundred fourteen (114).

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES O.A.A.

Expenditures 1956		\$149,792.18
Federal Cash Grants		\$59,758.29
State apportionment		60,022.60
Town share		38,011.29
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\$149,792.18		
(Medical care costs included in total expenditures above)		
Hospitalization:		
General	270 units	\$4,752.65
Chronic	355	4,675.15
Physicians		
H. Visits	2,261	9,466.96
O.	397	1,196.50
Nursing Homes (Including Cape End Manor)		22,846.12
Drugs		8,242.25
Dental		491.00
Outpatient care		36.80
Optometry		628.00
Ancillary services		603.33
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		\$52,939.26
Highest number cases		141
Lowest		134
New cases		14
Closed		16

Denied	8
Appeals denied	4
Other cities and towns cases aided	6
Provincetown cases aided elsewhere	4
Unsettled (State cases)	12
Case load January 1, 1957	135

O.A.A. RECOVERY ACCOUNT

There is a balance of \$5,196.55 in the old age assistance recovery account. Two (2) liens against real estate of deceased recipients were discharged in 1956 and a total of \$3,775.00 collected by said discharges. During 1956 a total of 8 liens were filed against applicant interest in real estate. Some of these recorded liens are merely against a "life tenancy" interest in the real estate. No recovery can be made by the town in such cases, unless the recipient tries to sell or otherwise dispose of the "tenancy" during their lifetime.

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURES A.D.C.

Expenditures 1956		\$33,388.02
Federal cash grants		\$10,135.33
State apportionment		9,475.40
Town share		13,777.29
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		\$33,388.02

(Medical care costs included in total expenditures above.)

Hospitalization:		
General	13 units	\$247.24
Chronic	77	1,094.55
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Physicians		
H. Visits	170	732.00
O. Visits	128	384.00
Drugs		756.12
Dental		640.00
Outpatient		142.70
Optometry		132.00
Ancillary		65.10
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		\$4,223.71

Highest number cases	25
Lowest	13
New cases	11
Closed	16
Denied	2
Appeals denied	1
Parents under court orders	9
Amount orders monthly	\$279.00

Cases receiving other resources	7
Amount resources monthly	\$383.56
Whereabouts parents unknown	2
Cases in legal process	4
No parental adjudication	1
Case load January 1, 1957	19

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURES D.A.

Expenditures 1956	\$8,419.54
Federal cash grants	\$5,407.59
State apportionment	1,506.85
Town share	1,505.80
	\$8,419.54

(Medical care costs included in total expenditures above.)

Hospitalization:	
General	52 units
Chronic	4
Physicians	
H. Visits	59
O. Visits	65
Nursing Homes	1,394.96
Drugs	336.70
Optometry	13.00
Outpatient	225.65
Ancillary	273.50
	\$3,941.36

Highest number cases	7
Lowest	2
New cases	5
Closed	1
Case load January 1, 1957	6

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES GENERAL RELIEF

Expenditures 1956	\$6,857.86
State cases reimbursed	\$733.95
Reimbursements due	630.00
Other cities and towns	325.62
	\$1,689.57

Hospitalization	
General	21 units
Chronic	None

Physicians	
H. Visits	28
O. Visits	3
Drugs	
Outpatient	
Dental	

114.00
9.00
21.75
71.00
8.00
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\$642.55

Highest number cases	16
Lowest	2
Denied	7
Employable	2
Cases settled outside	4
State cases	4
Present case load	3

In conclusion we wish to thank all of the Public Officials, Town Officers, Court Officials, private organizations, school staff, visiting nurse, churches, private charitable groups and the general public, for their continued cooperation with the policies of our programs and for the personal cooperation given our entire staff during 1956.

IRVING S. ROGERS, Welfare Agent

Street Department

During 1956 the Street Department applied 4,800 gallons of road oil to seal approximately ten streets and four parking lots. Over 200 yards of sand was swept and removed from the streets. All traffic and parking lines were painted and some experiments with new type colored cross-walks were tried. Approximately 50 catch basins and wells were cleaned, and two new ones were installed, using over 240 feet of drainage pipe. Twenty loads of logs and debris were hauled to the dump from our Town beaches, and fifteen loads of brush and refuse was removed from the cemetery properties. A bulkhead was constructed at the Smith House lot and 80 yards of fill were hauled in. An estimated 78 tons of bituminous material was used for patching streets and in constructing a 300-foot section of sidewalk for which concrete curbing was placed. In addition to the routine plowing, sanding, placing and maintaining signs, etc., several odd jobs were done by the department, including the laying of plastic pipe at the new wharf, and considerable excavation at the water pumping station at the time repairs were made to the suction lines.

Cape End Manor Report

Committee on Conversion

Officially the old Town Infirmary was closed on May 7, 1956. Between that date and August 27, 1956, which was the official opening of the new Public Medical Institution, the property was given a thorough renovating. The Committee organized and held its first meeting as early as March and continued to meet every Thursday afternoon on the premises. All new installations, improvements and changeovers, were discussed and examined before the work was started.

The following is a sample of the type of changes required before the licensing authorities would approve the license. Both bathrooms had to be completely rebuilt and new equipment installed, floors removed and new sewage and water lines, copper, replaced old lines. Two new rooms for Utility rooms had to be provided requiring new sewage disposal systems and copper water lines, for the slop sinks. One large new cesspool had to be installed capable of handling 100 per diem users and replacing the old one—which had collapsed under the weight of a truck. All rooms had to be either sheetrocked completely and/or patched and repainted. Four new fire escape doors had to be installed complete with frames and safety devices. The old fire escapes were too narrow and had to be completely rebuilt as they were condemned. A dumbwaiter, automatic, had to be installed to provide food, etc., for second floor patients. A laundry chute was installed to meet licensing requirements and provide for a sanitary and work saving method of handling soiled linen. Eight (8) new radiators had to be installed in rooms, previously unheated including the second floor corridor. The inside stairway had to be widened and completely rebuilt including being enclosed to the third floor. One hand wash sink had to be installed in the treatment room and first floor nurse's station. The electric wiring was condemned and an entire new system installed complete with a fire activated alarm system, exit lights, corridor night lights, etc. This wiring is capable of meeting present and future demands.

Old window sashes had to be repaired or replaced wherever temporary repairs were impossible. The front and side doors were reframed and replaced by wide and modern doors with the front steps being rebuilt. The basement had to be completely fireproofed and the heating system repiped in order that the fire ceiling could be installed properly. Due to the fact that all rooms had previously been operated on one thermostat and circulator it was necessary to change over so that one half the building is now on the old circulator and the new circulator takes care of the other half. We installed a new tankless hot water heater capable of delivering twelve (12) gallons of hot water every

minute. The kitchen was revamped on a temporary basis by plyscoring the old floor and putting down a cheap linoleum. (It is our hope that a modern kitchen capable of feeding at least fifty persons will be approved this year. The kitchen would be relocated to the extreme rear of the building and contain a dish washer, baker's oven, range institutional baking oven, service table, baker's table, toaster, triculator, etc.)

Handicapped as we were by financial problems we were not able to completely equip the home with modern hospital furniture and equipment. However, some new furniture was let out to bids and by use of private donations, loans of equipment and improvising, the home was finally operating at peak capacity of twenty-two (22) patients on October 10th. A total of \$28,486.08 was expended to meet just the licensing requirements and modern nursing home standards. The total expenditure, including the new furniture and three other outstanding accounts, was \$33,491.38 leaving to be paid to vendors the sum of \$5,005.30. (See article town warrant.) Insufficient funds or any definite regulations to follow, made our task all the more difficult. All changes and installations were made subject to approvals from the State Hospital Inspectors, Public Safety laws and inspections, and suggestions and recommendations of persons qualified by experience. The basic and permanent needs of the town and the facility were given priority over every consideration and the work has been done to meet present needs plus the long range possibilities of usage, expansion and additions.

To meet the costs of the conversion the committee had \$15,000.00 voted at the annual meeting, \$5,000.00 donated by a local industry and a \$500.00 account, previously raised and appropriated to meet Infirmary licensing requirements. (Which had to be licensed before the P.M.I. license could even be considered.) By using Welfare labor we were able to save hundreds of dollars in labor costs. We therefore only had \$20,500.00 to meet the conversion costs of \$28,486.08. The balance of \$7,986.06 was made up by using some current receipts, and the outstanding accounts.

Unfortunately we were unable to use all current receipts, as planned, and the sum of \$3,900.34 which we could not use was turned into the accounts receivable general revenue account. We were allowed by special authority to use the U. S. Grants (Federal) in the amount of \$6,822.16 for actual patient care given to public assistance cases only. The hoped for rate of \$6.00 per day was not approved and we operated at a \$5.00 per day rate. This lower rate created a \$2.00 per patient per day operating deficit for the period August 27th to October 10th. (Due to only eleven bed capacity.) However by improvising we managed to open the second floor on October 10th and reached capacity on that

date. The deficit was then cut to 15c per patient per day which continued until December 31st. Total receipts for this period were \$10,135.06.

Effective January 1, 1957, the new approved rate is \$6.00 per patient per diem. This will permit us to operate without a deficit for 1957. The budget for 1957 for actual operating expenses will be \$45,360.00.

STAFF

In the selection of personnel your committee was most fortunate to have professional people available for appointment. In selecting all of the staff, local persons who had necessary qualifications, were given preference. A local physician is the medical director. A registered nurse is the resident-supervisor. At this time there are three registered nurses on the staff. There is one graduate nurse. One licensed practical nurse. Three nurse's aides and a substitute. A regular cook, relief cook and dining-room helper. Full-time institutional worker, and part-time institutional worker.

PATIENTS

On August 27, 1956, the Cape End Manor admitted the first patient. In the following days patients continued to arrive by ambulance and private cars until on October 10th twenty-two patients had been admitted thus reaching peak capacity. At the present time there are twenty-one patients in the home. Seventeen females and four males. Three of our patients are Truro residents and eighteen are Provincetown residents. Their ages range from 46 to 96, with the majority being in the 70 year old or over group.

Four emergency patients from Provincetown were admitted with diagnoses of cardiac, cerebral hemorrhage and diabetes. One patient was discharged and another transferred to Cape Cod Hospital in additional treatment. These rooms were occupied almost immediately by two other patients. With the exception of these emergency patients all cases had been away from home for periods ranging from three months to sixteen years.

At the Manor there is a decided atmosphere of friendliness and happiness in being home with relatives, friends and neighbors. The patients have gained weight and their appearance and spirits improved tremendously because of the personal attention of a thoroughly trained staff. Unfortunately we did have two deaths during December but both cases were 95 years old and were previously patients at other homes.

All basic equipment such as wash basins, emesis basins, medicine and water glasses, bed-pans, blankets, spreads, sterilizers, urinals, enema outfits, hot water bottles and a narcotics safe, were purchased at the outset. Larger and more costly items such as desk, examining table, walkers, wheel chairs, etc., were for the most part donated by individ-

duals. There are many other types of supplies in use which it would have been foolish to purchase ahead of time and they have been obtained on an as needed basis. Thus each personal item is fresh and keeps deterioration in items such as rubber products to a minimum. This continuing practice of purchasing equipment and supplies as the need arises eliminates overstocking or stocking supplies that may never be used.

In conclusion we wish to thank all of the townspeople and friends who have donated so spontaneously and generously to the Public Medical Institution. This project was received very favorably by State, County and local officials, to whom we wish to extend our sincere thanks. It would be most inconsiderate of us not to acknowledge the personal and continuing assistance given this conversion by Joseph Murphy, Welfare Agent of Lynn, and Herma C. Rowe, former District Director, State Department of Public Welfare.

JAMES V. COYNE, JR., Town Manager
IRVING S. ROGERS, Welfare Agent
ANNE M. COTE
RUTH ROGERS
NORMAN S. COOK

Veterans Agent and Service Officer

I hereby submit my report as Veterans Agent and Service Officer for the Town of Provincetown, for the year ending December 31, 1956. During the year of 1956 this office has handled 204 Service cases for Veterans and their dependents. These cases were handled for claims against the Veterans Administration and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Due to the unemployment situation in Provincetown this winter there has been an increase in Cash Grants. This has caused this department to ask for an increase in the budget for 1957. At the present time this office has a case load of 18 Families receiving Veterans Benefits.

It has been a pleasure to serve the Veterans of Provincetown as their Veterans Agent and Service Officer.

GEORGE A. BAKER

Recreation Commission

At the annual town meeting of 1956 it was voted to establish this Commission. All recreational facilities and programs in the town were then coordinated.

The equipment in the Howland Street and Nickerson Street Playgrounds was repaired and painted, the sand was changed. These Playgrounds were under supervision from June through September 31. The daily participation at Nickerson Street Playground averaged 110 children and at Howland Street Playground the daily average was 80 children. The swimming program was conducted at the West End from July 2 through July 13, at the Center of town at the foot of Ryder Street from July 16 through July 27, at the East End from July 27 through August 17, and again at the Center of town at the foot of Ryder Street from August 20 through August 25. Two hundred children participated in this program and 90 children received Certificates.

There were six teams in the Little League Baseball Club which was supervised by the baseball committee and games were scheduled twice a week, at Motta Memorial Field.

On September 10, a director of Recreation was appointed by this Commission and the Governor Bradford School was changed to a Community Center; the entire interior was painted, the boiler repaired, as well as the plumbing, and all the broken windows in the building were replaced. Rooms were layed out as follows: Lounge and Reading Room, Small Meeting Room, Game Room, Meeting Room, Arts and Crafts Room, Music and Ping Pong Room, and the Office are all on the main floor; in the basement there is an Auditorium and a Youth Organization Room off the Auditorium.

The Community Center opened on October 22, 1956 and the activities are as follows: Ping Pong, Shuffle Board, Games, such as checkers, dominoes, parchesi, cards and chess; other activities are Arts and Crafts, Radio lessons, reading, moving pictures, tap, acrobatic and ballet dancing lessons, radio music, sketching and painting, ceramics, parties and dancing. The Boy Scouts, Blue Birds, Cub Scouts and Camp Fire Girls meet in the Center as well as Civic and Club Organizations.

On Hallowe'en night a party and dance was conducted at the Community Center with a live orchestra and a total of 456 children attended this function. As a result it was considered to be the quietest Hallowe'en night on the streets of town—there was no vandalism.

The daily participation average from October 22 through December 31,

1956 was 152 per day. The program at the Community Center will expand as time goes on.

We of the Recreation Commission would like to take this opportunity to thank all Town Departments, Civic and Community Organizations and individuals for their wholehearted cooperation and help during the past year.

EDWARD L. SILVA, Chairman
DOROTHY E. COOK, Secretary
ROBERT E. COLLINSON
JAMES F. DAUGHERTY
MARY S. TARVERS

Cemetery Trust Fund

Seamen's Savings Bank Cemetery Trust	\$77,750.44
First National Bank Cemetery Trust	2,802.72
Seamen's Savings Bank Cemetery Trust Income	21,052.14
Cemetery Trust Bonds at Par	12,000.00
	\$113,605.30
Post War Fund	\$481.33
Benjamin Small Fund	5,399.67
Benjamin Small Premium Account	469.95

FRANK S. BENT, Town Treasurer

Cemetery Commissioners

Appropriation	\$1,000.00
Expended	999.91
Balance	.09

WORK

Painted and repaired approximately 400 fences and 8 trash boxes; cut down numerous small trees and had 21 trunkless stumps; painted stumps so as to kill same; cut grass in all avenues; repair roads; burn grass in Spring.

RAYMOND H. MARSTON
WILLIAM PIERCE
JOSEPH CRAWLEY

Baseball Advisory Board

Expenses	Appropriation
Mdse. Lands End Marine Supply, Inc. \$118.56	\$500.00
Mdse. Lands End Marine Supply, Inc 39.77	
Mdse. Lands End Marine Supply, Inc .25	
Mdse. Lands End Marine Supply, Inc. 117.26	
Travel expense—Championship	
Baseball Game 54.90	
Gas—Duarte Motors, Inc. 13.33	
Refreshments—Trophy Presentations 16.20	
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	\$360.27
Refund 5.45	
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	\$354.82
Balance to Revenue 145.18	
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	\$500.00
	\$500.00

On April 26, 1956 the Summer Baseball Committee was notified by the Recreation Commission that the name of the Baseball Committee had been changed to the Baseball Advisory Board. We were further advised that the change of name in no way effected the function of our committee and we were to carry on our program of continuing Little League Summer Baseball. It was also suggested that we have all bills signed by the Recreation Commission for approval and we have carried out this suggestion by submitting itemized bills for all merchandise and expenses to the Recreation Commission as directed.

The Baseball Advisory Board wish to report another successful season and we feel that this program will function more efficiently in the future under the direction of the Recreation Commission.

HARRIS ADAMS, Chairman
 JAMES J. CORDEIRO, Secretary
 GORDON DUTRA
 CLAYTON ENOS
 JOHN MEADS
 FRANK CARLOS
 ROBERT COLLINSON
 HAROLD SOULTS
 JOAQUIN RUSSE
 RAYMOND SOUZA
 FREEMAN WATSON
 THOMAS F. PERRY

Christmas Lighting Committee

The Christmas Lighting Committee respectfully submit their second annual report.

Profiting from our experience with the very strong winds our area suffered around Christmas time last year, the strings of lights on the monument were reinforced this year and worked out quite satisfactorily. Several more strings were added to this display thus illuminating the whole outline.

An addition of a Santa and set of Carolers was added to the display around the Town Hall grounds.

We also fulfilled our plans to light the Pilgrim Plaque at the West End of town once it had been permanently placed.

Our future plans include a life size Nativity Scene and an Aerial Santa and Reindeer which will also be life size.

May we say at this time that we were quite disappointed to find there was so much damage done to all these displays, all this damage was not done by the weather.

Your committee hopes that the younger generation will appreciate in the future, the expense the town has gone to to spread a little Christmas cheer with these displays.

The committee hopes the voters will continue their support, accept this report and continue this committee.

JOHN HAM
 KATHERINE STEELE
 JAMES MEADS
 JOHN VIERA
 FRANKLIN OLIVER

Water Department

NEW STATION

Fuel oil on hand January 1, 1957	6,544 gallons
1 Drum of Ursa base-oil	53 gallons
Engine and equipment has operated 6,518 clock-hours	
Engine and equipment has operated 4,141 meter-hours	
Highest reading in well-field, April 28th	13.30' to water
Lowest reading in well-field, September 1st	16.90' to water

Month	High Day	Low Day	Total for Month
January	28th 343,870 gals.	30th 124,530 gals.	5,628,220 gals.
February	28th 169,500 gals.	21st 139,560 gals.	4,011,306 gals.
March	17th 219,120 gals.	19th 102,580 gals.	4,844,030 gals.
April	14th 346,680 gals.	5th 141,000 gals.	7,696,200 gals.
May	26th 651,140 gals.	13th 231,160 gals.	10,109,290 gals.
June	26th 1,174,470 gals.	16th 162,670 gals.	18,317,590 gals.
July	19th 1,081,020 gals.	6th 364,140 gals.	24,367,620 gals.
August	2nd 1,174,830 gals.	7th 440,070 gals.	25,015,580 gals.
September	1st 819,720 gals.	16th 152,000 gals.	11,808,001 gals.
October	1st 292,150 gals.	27th 113,310 gals.	6,958,800 gals.
November	10th 433,750 gals.	25th 113,780 gals.	5,032,640 gals.
December	2nd 199,170 gals.	9th 77,290 gals.	3,440,280 gals.

Total pumpage for 1956 (New Station) 127,229,557 gals.

OLD STATION

Fuel oil on hand, January 1, 1957	4,137 gallons
1 Drum Ursa base-oil	53 gallons
Engine and equipment has operated 25,652 meter-hours	
Engine and equipment has operated 43,850 clock-hours	
Highest reading in well-field, February 18th	14 ft. to water
Lowest reading in well-field, July 16th	14.69' to water

Month	High Day	Low Day	Total for Month
January	7th 346,000 gals.	1st 80,000 gals.	4,160,000 gals.
February	23rd 125,000 gals.	2nd 73,000 gals.	2,720,000 gals.
March	9th 139,000 gals.	4th 70,000 gals.	3,110,000 gals.
April	Operated part of month, leaks in well-field		
	5th 143,000 gals.	9th 57,000 gals.	1,132,000 gals.
May	Operated part of month, leaks in well-field		
	28th 197,000 gals.	16th 52,000 gals.	2,126,000 gals.
June	8th 485,000 gals.	17th 44,000 gals.	10,110,000 gals.
July	4th 558,000 gals.	6th 328,000 gals.	14,478,000 gals.
August	5th 564,000 gals.	20th 351,000 gals.	14,254,000 gals.
September	1st 521,000 gals.	17th 214,000 gals.	10,719,000 gals.

October	27th 243,000 gals.	20th 131,000 gals.	6,121,000 gals.
November	9th 220,000 gals.	18th 94,000 gals.	5,290,000 gals.
December	17th 208,000 gals.	27th 66,000 gals.	3,509,000 gals.

Total pumpage for 1956 (Old Station)	77,729,000 gals.
Total pumpage for 1956 (New Station)	127,229,557 gals.
Total pumpage for 1956	204,958,557 gals.

SERVICE DEPARTMENT

58 1-inch services renewed
6 new 1-inch services installed
3 new 2-inch services installed
3 hydrants replaced
1,055 ft. 2-inch wrought iron pipe installed
600 ft. 2-inch plastic pipe installed
712 ft. 1-inch wrought iron pipe used
155 ft. 1-inch plastic pipe installed
90 ft. 1½-inch wrought iron pipe installed

Airport Commission

Airport Manager

This is the ninth Annual Report of the Airport Manager to the Provincetown Airport Commission. Airport activity during 1956 continued to stabilize with the Municipal Airport further establishing itself as an integral part of Provincetown economy, and on a self supporting basis.

It is a pleasure to report that for the third consecutive year all previous records for passenger traffic and activity at Provincetown Municipal Airport were broken during 1956. The Provincetown-Boston Airline carried 7,569 passengers between Provincetown and Boston compared with 7,379 in the previous year. In addition an ever increasing number of flights were operated all over New England and into New York. Partly accountable for this increase was the acquisition by the local carrier of another Lockheed Electra during the year and additional pilot personnel during the summer season. The U. S. Mail was carried again this year during the summer months and presently hearings are being conducted in Washington to permit the local airline to carry Air Express.

Transient aircraft continued to use Provincetown Airport in increasing numbers during the summer season and the need for further increasing aircraft parking facilities was made more clearly obvious. Possibly this should be approached as a joint project under the Federal Airport Act.

Definite accomplishments were made during the year, however, in expansion and maintenance of airport facilities. The most noteworthy was brought about as a result of contact between your manager and the Massachusetts Aeronautics Commission. During the summer the Commission voted to participate with State funds up to 50% in the cost of sealcoating all runway and taxiway surfaces in addition to making repairs and adding hot mix to an existing area of ramp needing repair. The Town's share of this cost is available and on hand in the airport account as a result of revenue received under the terms of the operating agreement between the Town and Provincetown-Boston Airline, Inc. Also during the year with some of these same funds the automobile parking area was further expanded in order to relieve some of the congestion that exists during the summer months. The results of this work were most gratifying.

The Provincetown Municipal Airport and its associated operations are more readily being accepted each year by local residents and visitors as an established and necessary transportation medium that will show

nothing but greater demand and utilization as the years go by. It is a pleasure to be associated with a project that your manager feels is such an economic asset to the Town.

JOHN C. VAN ARSDALE

Advertising Committee

The Advertising and Publicity Committee of the Provincetown Chamber of Commerce, delegated by the Board of Selectmen as responsible for the administration of the advertising appropriation, is pleased to submit its annual report:

It is obvious from the enclosed breakdown of expenditures that the amount of the appropriation was spread somewhat thinly. Your committee, however, would not advocate any increase at this time because it considers some of the money spent on worthwhile projects allied with advertising and publicity in 1956 to have been of an emergency nature. Under normal conditions the committee would expand its advertising into Canada, as in other years, thus resuming its pattern of concentrating on the areas from whence come our greatest number of visitors.

The appropriation was expended as follows:

Newspaper Advertising

New York Times	\$293.70
Cape Cod Standard Times	49.95
Boston Globe	140.00
Allied Advertising	120.00
Boston Post	18.20
New York Herald-Tribune	122.08
Direct Mail Advertising	
Kendall Printing	1,400.00
Television	
Quinn Studios	50.00
Miscellaneous	
Antone Duarte (to insure pier for advertised event: Blessing of the Fleet)	300.00
Unexpended	6.07
Total	\$2,500.00

NATHAN MALCHMAN
DUNCAN BRYANT
M. F. PATRICK

**Annual Report
of the
School Committee
and
Superintendent of Schools
of
PROVINCETOWN, MASS.
for the
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1956**

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.

HERBERT F. MAYO, Chairman
JOSEPH ALVES
MRS. CATHERINE B. CADOSE
GEORGE S. CHAPMAN, JR.
WESLEY G. FELTON
GEORGE J. SILVA
RAYMOND SOUZA

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Herbert F. Mayo, Chairman

Herbert F. Mayo	Term expires 1959
George Silva	Term expires 1959
Wesley G. Felton	Term expires 1958
Joseph Alves	Term expires 1958
Mrs. Catherine B. Cadose	Term expires 1958
George S. Chapman, Jr.	Term expires 1957
Raymond Souza	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.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

Name of Teacher	Where Educated	Began Service
George F. Leyden, Prin.	Holy Cross College, B. A.	1926
Phebe S. Rogers	Bridgewater Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1956
Joseph Condon	Brown University, A. B., University of Wisconsin	1954
Edward J. Dahill, Jr.	University of Notre Dame, B. S., University of New Hampshire, M. Ed.	1943
Elizabeth DeRiggs	Sargent College, B. S. in Physical Education	1939
Thomas C. Hennessey	Boston College, B. A., Boston University, M. A.	1952
Loretta F. Keane	Framingham Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1955
Mary C. Lewis	Bridgewater Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1934
Arthur P. Malchman	Boston University, B. S. in Ed.	1940
William J. Costa	Harvard College, A. B.	1956
Kathleen J. Medeiros	Salem State Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1941
David J. Murphy	Holy Cross College, Ph. B.	1930
Richard M. Santos	Fitchburg State Teachers College	1948
Irene L. Silva	Hyannis Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1947
Ernest A. Frechette	Assumption College, A. B., Worcester State Teachers, Boston University, Ed. M.	1956
John F. Williams	Bridgewater Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1947
Dennis M. Aresta	Boston College, B. S. in Ed.	1956

PROVINCETOWN VOCATIONAL SCHOOL		
Kendall Knowlton	Medford Vocational High School	1956

VETERANS MEMORIAL SCHOOL		
Wilhelmina Lopes, Prin.	Hyannis Teachers College	1946
Mary W. Alves	Hyannis Teachers College	1951
Lucinda Anthony	Lesley Normal School	1930
Grace Collinson	American International College, B. A.	1937
Bessie E. Corea	Hyannis Teachers College	1918
Hilda M. Dennis	Hyannis Teachers College	1924
Delphine C. DeRiggs	Perry Normal School	1945
Andrew DeVito	Boston University, B. S. in Ed.	1955

Eva Dutra	Central State Teachers College, Wisconsin	1954
Frances D. Francis	Fitchburg Teachers College	1928
Dorothy Gill	New Jersey State Teachers College, B. A.	1956
Florence G. Nickerson	Salem Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1948
Madeleine Perry	Hyannis Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1956
Mary Rogers	Hyannis Teachers College	1951
Helen M. Sylvia	Hyannis Teachers College, Bridgewater Teachers College, B. S. in Ed.	1916

MUSIC SUPERVISORS

Staniford Sorrentino	Los Angeles City College, A. A., Boston University, B. M. and M. M.	1955
Beatrice M. Welsh	American Institute Normal Methods	1927

ART SUPERVISOR

Ruth Cabral	Layton School of Art, Milwaukee, Milwaukee State Teachers College, Drake University, DesMoines	1955
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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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CAFETERIA WORKERS

Josephine Cook	Provincetown Junior-Senior High School	
Margaret Aresta	Provincetown Junior-Senior High School	
Mary Lincoln	Provincetown Junior-Senior High School	
Fannie Fields	Veterans Memorial School	
Lillian Costa	Veterans Memorial School	
Florence Perry	Veterans Memorial School	
Mary Tasha	Veterans Memorial School	

JANITORS

Frank Aresta	Provincetown Junior-Senior High School	
Michael Bollas	Provincetown Junior-Senior High School	
James Sants	Veterans Memorial School	
Raymond Zawalick	Veterans Memorial School	

SUPERINTENDENT'S SECRETARY

Isabel M. D'Entremont

FINANCIAL REPORT

For the year ending December 31, 1956

Appropriation for:

Public Schools	\$181,901.00
Receipts	266.65
Transfer	322.34
School Cafeteria	11,916.45
Refund	13.50
Article 18, New Equipment	4,320.00
Receipt	107.99
Article 19, Permanent Improvement	12,665.00
Transfer	210.83
Vocational Education	10,256.84
Refunds	450.69
Total Available Funds	\$222,431.29
Total Expenditures	220,784.85
Unexpended Balance, December 31, 1956	\$ 1,646.44

Reimbursements and Receipts:

Chapter 70—General School Fund	\$24,977.11
Tuition—State Wards	680.97
Truro—Tuition	15,266.38
Vocational School	4,200.28
George Barden and Smith Hughes Funds	500.00
Deposits to Town Treasurer	32,304.42
Mentally Retarded Children	360.00
Manual Training Projects	31.43
	\$78,320.59

COST OF SCHOOLS

Total Expenditures	\$220,784.85
Total Reimbursements	78,320.59
Net Cost of Schools by local taxation	\$142,464.26

SUMMARY OF ALL SCHOOL EXPENSES

General Expense:	
Superintendent's Salary	\$3,300.00
Superintendent's Expense	355.18
Secretary	2,700.00
Office Supplies	223.39
	\$6,578.57

Expenses of Instruction:	
Teachers' Salaries	\$102,086.40
Principals' Salaries	9,685.01
Guidance Counsellor	4,859.97
Supervisors	6,599.94
Substitutes	1,292.48
Supplies	2,450.41
Textbooks	2,372.49
Workbooks	1,850.69
Guidance Supplies	369.21
Manual Arts	1,104.19
Athletics	3,621.29
Visual Aids	386.08
Audubon Course	150.00
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	136,828.16
Operating Expenses:	
Janitor's Wages	\$13,881.93
Janitor's Supplies	1,502.74
Fuel	5,620.75
Electricity	2,633.80
Telephone	541.70
Water Tax	291.71
Other Expenses	463.76
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	\$24,936.39
Capital Outlay:	
Permanent Improvement	\$12,571.54
New Equipment	4,152.15
	—————
	\$16,723.69
Maintenance of Plant:	
Repairs	\$10,493.48
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	\$10,493.48
Auxiliary Agencies:	
Nurse's Salary	\$2,600.00
Nurse's Supplies	86.01
Graduation	62.78
Libraries	322.48
Driver Training	368.83
	—————
	\$3,440.10
Household Arts:	
Salary	\$1,747.00
Supplies	168.45
	—————
	\$1,915.45
Cafeteria:	
Salaries	\$10,175.00
Supplies and Equipment	1,726.50
	—————
	\$11,901.50

Evening Practical Arts:	\$1,100.00
	\$1,100.00
Boys' Day Vocational School	\$6,867.51
	\$6,867.51
	—————
Total Expenditures	\$220,784.85

PROVINCETOWN SCHOOL LUNCH ACCOUNT

Balance on hand January 1, 1956	\$1,905.68
Receipts from January 1, 1956 to December 31, 1956	
From lunchroom sales	\$21,064.09
Federal reimbursements	7,806.59
Lions Club	1,119.08
	—————
	\$29,989.76

Total Receipts for 1956	\$31,895.44
Total Disbursements for 1956	22,824.11
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Balance on hand December 31, 1956	\$ 9,071.33
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PROVINCETOWN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1956-57

Open September 5, 1956	
Close December 21, 1956 (noon)	16 weeks 73 days
Open January 2, 1957	
Close February 15, 1957	7 weeks 33 days
(Vacation one week)	
Open February 25, 1957	
Close April 12, 1957	7 weeks 35 days
(Vacation one week)	
Open April 22, 1957	
Close June 14, 1957	8 weeks 39 days
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	38 weeks 180 days

Provincetown Elementary School will close on June 7, 1957—175 days

HOLIDAYS

Columbus Day, Friday, October 12, 1956
 Barnstable County Teachers Convention, Friday, October 19, 1956
 Veterans Day, Monday, November 12, 1956
 Thanksgiving Recess, noon, November 21 to November 26, 1956
 Memorial Day, Thursday, May 30, 1957

HOLIDAYS DURING VACATION

Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25, 1956
 New Year's Day, Tuesday, January 1, 1957
 Washington's Birthday, Friday, February 22, 1957
 Good Friday, April 19, 1957
 Patriot's Day, Friday, April 19, 1957

ENROLLMENT, PUBLIC SCHOOLS

PROVINCETOWN

October 1956

Grade	Veterans Memorial	Jr. High	Sr. High
I	71		
II	58		
III	84		
IV	72		
V	57		
VI	59		
VII		46	
VIII		57	
IX			58
X			47
XI			36
XII			23
Junior Practical Arts Class			9
Vocational School			26
—	—	—	—
	401	103	199

SCHOOL CENSUS, OCTOBER 1956

Ages	Boys	Girls	Total	No. not in School
5-7	38	38	76	46
7-14	217	190	407	2
14-16	42	55	97	3
Over 16	37	32	69	—
—	—	—	—	—
	334	315	649	51

STATISTICS FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR, 1955-56

Total Enrollment	687
Average Membership	644
Average Attendance	614
Percent of Attendance	95
Number enrolled between 5 and 7	114
Number enrolled between 7 and 16	512

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.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

AUGUSTUS KEANE

Staff Changes

1. Mrs. Phebe Rogers was appointed to the High School faculty to teach English and History, replacing Mr. Noel Coletti who resigned.
2. Mr. Ernest Frechette was appointed to the High School faculty to teach French, Latin and English, replacing Mr. Francis Valois who resigned.
3. Mr. Dennis Aresta was appointed as teacher of the Junior Practical Arts Class.
4. Mr. William Costa was appointed to the High School faculty to teach Mathematics and Science, replacing Mr. Robert Manning who resigned.
5. Mrs. Wilhelmina Lopez was appointed temporary principal of the Veterans Memorial School in the place of Mr. William Roche who was granted one year's leave of absence.
6. Mrs. Madeleine Perry replaced Mrs. Lopez in Grade VI during her service as temporary principal.
7. Mrs. Dorothy Gill was appointed to replace Mrs. Anne Roche who resigned.
8. Mr. Kendall Knowlton was appointed to teach the Automotive Course at the Provincetown Vocational School, replacing Mr. Salvatore Causi who resigned.
9. Mr. Michael Bollas replaced Mr. Kenneth Jennings as custodian at the High School.

The following improvements in the facilities at the High School were effected:

1. New equipment was installed in the cafeteria including electric dishwashing facilities, cafeteria furniture, an automatic peeler and a refrigerator.
2. New electric wiring was installed to replace what had been condemned and fluorescent lighting installations were completed throughout the building.
3. Roof ventilator hoods were replaced.
4. Soundproofing between the basement and first floor was completed.
5. Crash bars were installed on outside doors.
6. One classroom floor was tiled.
7. A new film projector was purchased.

The establishment of a Junior Practical Arts Class provides a special program for retarded pupils. State reimbursement exceeding 60% of the cost of maintaining this class should insure its continued effectiveness.

An enrollment of 26 boys at the Vocational School is evidence of the interest in that program; an expanded offering and an additional teacher are being considered for the next school year.

The need to re-establish a dental clinic is generally accepted and it is hoped that the plan now under consideration will make it possible to begin work at the clinic at once.

A growth in interest in evening classes for adults has been shown by the response to the following courses:

Color and Design	Mr. Fritz Pfeiffer
Elementary Typing	Miss Kathleen Medeiros
Advanced Typing	Miss Kathleen Medeiros
Automotive Training	Mr. Kendall Knowlton
Furniture Upholstering	Miss Dorothy Crowell
Cake Decorating and Party Refreshments	Mrs. Marion Michalski
Ceramics	Mrs. Edith Thomas
Sewing	Mrs. Jeannette Segura

Our remoteness from centers where evening classes are available should prompt us to develop adult education opportunities for ourselves.

The heart of a community is sound when its people work well together for their children's future.

HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

GEORGE F. LEYDEN

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

ENROLLMENT

High School Enrollment by classes as of December 21, 1956, is as follows:

Class	Boys	Girls	Total
Senior	16	19	35
Junior	27	21	48
Sophomore	31	23	54
Freshman	29	29	58
			—
Total Enrollment			195

Junior High Enrollment by grades is as follows:

Grade Seven	20	31	51
Grade Eight	27	26	53
			—
Total Enrollment			104
Junior Practical Arts Class			
Total Enrollment	9		9
			—
Grand Total			308

REGISTRATION BY CLASSES

Elementary Algebra	22	General Mathematics	25
Applied Mathematics	17	Latin I	13
Automotive History and Civics	25	Latin II	7
Art	127	Manual Arts	85
Biology	41	Physical Education (boys)	145
Bookkeeping	10	Physical Education (girls)	144
Building Citizenship	31	Plane Geometry	12
English I	43	Problems of Democracy	14
English II	34	Stenography I	13
English III	44	Stenography II	9
English IV	26	Typewriting I	38
American History	45	Typewriting II	13
Life Adjustment	22	Typewriting III	9
World Geography	13	Vocational Drawing	25
Vocational English	25	Vocational Math.	25
Business Arithmetic	31	Vocational Science	25
Introductory Business	21	Vocational Household Arts	9
Solid Trig. Algebra II	28	Chemistry	21
World History	22	Mechanical Drawing	34

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 Vocational High School 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 needs, aptitudes and capacities.

Parents should consult freely with the principal and the guidance counselor 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 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

Class of 1953

Paul Chapman	Norwich University
Richard Hopwood	Northeastern University
Conrad Malicoat	Oberlin University
David Murphy, Jr.	University of Massachusetts
Joseph Patrick	University of Miami

Class of 1954

George Bowley	United States Naval Academy
Ernest Carreiro	Fitchburg State Teachers College

Class of 1955

George Bryant	Wesleyan University
George Felton	Boston University
James Ferreira	Northeastern University
Donna Hurd	Salve Regina College
Dennis Mooney	University of Massachusetts
Kenneth Santos	Boston University
Stephen Goveia	Boston University
Robert Welsh	Holy Cross College
Chester Cook	Boston College

Class of 1956

Judi Boogar	University of Massachusetts
Richard Brown	University of Massachusetts
Robert Fiset	Springfield College
John Gregory	University of Massachusetts
David Hautanen	University of Massachusetts
Clement Kacergis	Boston College
Diane Hurd	Merrimac College
Paul Kane	University of Massachusetts
Dawn Ormsby	Trinity College
Thomas Perry	Cranwell Preparatory School
Shirley Salvador	St. Francis College

REPAIRS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

During the past two years, the repairs that have been made in our building have been most gratifying.

1. After over twenty years of having dust seep into various rooms on the sub-basement level, a ceiling of sound proof material has been installed.
2. The cumbersome booths have been taken out of the cafeteria and the tops of the tables have been given new tubular steel legs; new seats have been provided. The cafeteria and gymnasium and other rooms have been painted light, attractive, cheerful colors. The changes made in the cafeteria have made it much easier for the custodians to keep the equipment and floors in a highly sanitary condition.
3. The boys' gymnasium locker room has been redecorated and cleaned up.
4. The wiring system has been repaired, and the installation of fluorescent lighting in all the rooms has been a decided improvement in comparison with the lighting we originally had.

All of these repairs including the repairing of the roof, the repairing of the building, refinishing of floors, and use of pastel shades in the decorating scheme have added a pleasant note of cheerfulness to the atmosphere of the school.

In spite of all these repairs, there are still some problems which need solving.

1. The desks and seats have been in use for over twenty years; they need to be replaced by new and modern furniture. I realize this replacement will be costly; therefore, if it does not seem feasible to make this change in one year, I suggest, the furniture be replaced over a period of two or three years at the most.
2. Our lockers should be looked over by lock experts. I am sure that

they can be repaired and reconditioned without the expenditure of a large sum of money.

3. In the interest of economy in maintenance, I suggest that the rooms, corridors and offices be covered with tile flooring.
4. Our library is a very important part of our school. I suggest that a teacher be employed who will have experience in library work and who will spend at least half of his time in the library.

MARKS AND ATTENDANCE

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

- A. High honor mark indicating outstanding achievement.
- B. Honor mark indicating a quality of accomplishment which is commendable and which certifies to college the individual without special examination.
- 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 the 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 able 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.

The Provincetown High School is a member of the New England Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges. This organization is rapidly becoming recognized as the accrediting body in the Northeastern states.

ATHLETICS

Our athletic program should be expanded so that our students will be able to enjoy a broader selection of athletic experience. Such outdoor activities as field hockey, tennis, handball and volley ball are a few of the opportunities which we should offer. Our football facilities have been and still are the subject of criticism from the schools on our schedule because they are the poorest on the Cape. Some attempt

should be made to make "Motta Memorial Field" an athletic field on which we will be able to play both football and baseball.

CONCLUSION AND APPRECIATION

Our many activities need cooperation from the citizens of our town. My sincere thanks is extended to them for their kindness and loyal support of our many projects. This year we have one of the finest faculties we have had in years. I wish to thank them for their tolerance and eagerness to cooperate in making our school a good school. I wish to thank our Superintendent, Mr. Augustus Keane, and the School Committee for their splendid cooperation in making the administration of the school a pleasant task.

GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

ARTHUR P. MALCHMAN

It is felt by your Guidance Counselor that there is a need of some sort of brief explanation of the meaning of guidance.

Ideally conceived, guidance enables each individual to understand his abilities and interests, to develop them as well as possible, to relate them to life goals, and finally to reach a state of complete and mature self-guidance as a desirable citizen of a democratic social order. Guidance is thus vitally related to every aspect of the school in addition to home and community relations. This of course implies the closest kind of cooperation between guidance functions and all the other members of the staff. Although guidance is closely related to all areas of the school, one cannot be a specialist in all fields. It is the function of the guidance department to collect and systematize accurate information about pupils, to provide individual counseling services and to carry on a dynamic educational relationship among the pupils and their parents that will lead to intelligent use of the information that is provided.

In the attempt to get accurate and systematized information to the teachers a program of testing has been initiated including diagnostic reading, scholastic aptitude, mechanical aptitude, prognostic, interest inventory and achievements in all grades. If the problem calls for individual testing a Stanford-Binet Intelligence Test or the Wechsler-Bellevue Scale is administered. It is by this approach that an attempt is made to enable each individual to reach the point of self-analysis and self-understanding.

Intensive work on cases who need assistance of the Barnstable County Mental Health and other agencies continues with real success. It is the counselor's wish to list the various students and parents who have been helped by the collective efforts of all school personnel but to

do such a thing would destroy such confidences upon which an integral part of the guidance program is built.

In conclusion it is the fervent hope of your counselor that your children will be able to reach such a state of emotional maturity and self-guidance that all the frustrations and anxieties of future years will be minimized.

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

Very few changes have taken place in our program during the past year. We continue to offer activities that we feel will contribute to the health, physical fitness and emotional well being of the individual boy. During the past year there has been a growing popularity for soccer in some of the smaller high schools on the Cape. To meet this trend we placed soccer on our outdoor program in the fall. Although not received too warmly by most students it gave us the opportunity of offering another activity to some who did not desire to play touch football. I believe that another year and better understanding of the fundamentals of the game may find the students more receptive to it.

More use of student leadership was made during the past year than in previous years. With multiple contests going on at the athletic field between the Junior High groups an opportunity was offered to the High School athletes to supervise these games. Valuable experience in leadership I am sure was gained by our older boys.

Again as in other years all boys must attend physical education classes unless excused by the principal.

IMPROVEMENTS

The physical condition of our facilities are the best they have been for years. Last year's improvements of the locker room and this year's renovating, sound proofing and improved lighting of the gymnasium has offered much better teaching conditions and can only help to have the students emulate the cleanliness they observe.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Permanent padding of the north and south walls of the gymnasium should be given consideration. Floor mats now serve as a means of protection against injury. These mats must be constantly used for floor exercises. If they are taken down and not returned, serious injury could result from contact with the exposed walls and steps.

The climbing ropes of the gymnasium have given many years of useful service and should be replaced.

ACTIVITIES

A complete list of the activities offered in our program may be briefly stated as follows:

1. Marching drills
 - military—high school
 - rhythmic—junior high
2. Gymnastics
 - fundamentals—junior high
 - advanced—high school
3. Calisthenics
4. Competitive games and relays
5. Apparatus drill
 - rings, parallel bars, climbing ropes, horizontal bars, vaulting box
6. Lectures on personal hygiene, rules and regulations of major sports.
7. Sport activities
 - a. Football (touch)
 - b. Soccer
 - c. Basketball
 - d. Volleyball
 - e. Baseball
 - f. Softball
 - g. Track and field

CONCLUSION

Physical Education contributes a vital part in completing a well rounded education. A program of physical fitness and physical activities that can meet student needs, plays an important part in maintaining student interest and achievement in academic progress. Every effort will be constantly made by this department to continually offer a program that will help to attain this objective.

GIRLS' PHYSICAL EDUCATION

ELIZABETH DeRIGGS

I herewith submit my annual report as Physical Education Instructor for girls in the Provincetown Schools.

The physical education program of the past year provided opportunities for controlled participation in activities which resulted in wholesome attitudes: good sportsmanship, honesty, cooperation, teamwork, loyalty, respect for rules, socialability and acceptance of responsibility.

It provided equal opportunity for each student to develop the highest possible physical fitness according to individual needs and to develop skills and favorable attitudes toward play and sports that would carry over in later life.

The following activities were included in the program:

1. Calisthenics
2. Apparatus
3. Tumbling
4. Rhythms
5. Games
 - a. Soccer
 - b. Basketball
 - c. Volleyball
 - d. Softball
 - e. Badminton
6. Intramural Activities

Supervised Physical Education was added to the curriculum in the elementary school last September. They have physical education once a week for thirty minutes.

The following activities are included in the program:

1. Singing games
2. Rhythms
3. Low organized games
4. Competitive games
5. Relays

The aims and objectives of the Physical education program in the elementary school are:

1. to arouse an interest in healthful play by means of carefully designed games;
2. provide a period of relaxation and recreation with a maximum amount of physical activity;
3. to promote desirable habits of conduct and the spirit of fair play;
4. to develop consideration for their playmates.

COMMERCIAL DEPARTMENT

KATHLEEN J. MEDEIROS

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

This past year we were very fortunate in placing the majority of our graduates from the Commercial Course. It is indeed gratifying to be able to supply a local business man with a bookkeeper, clerk or typist. It is also satisfying to learn how these employees are progressing. A follow-up of these placements determines what we can further teach our students in order to better equip our present students.

Enrollment in the bookkeeping class has increased slightly this year and the class is rapidly assembling all the necessary information to handle the accounts of a business for a period of two months. During the past year the class completed a set of records complete with daily tapes, payrolls, tax and social security deductions similar to what is required in local business.

Transcription with speed is our goal in Stenography. Business stationery is used for all transcription work and speed in both dictation and transcription are stressed. All duplicating work is done by the advanced students in the course.

Accuracy with Speed continues to be our aim in Typewriting. As in the past beginning students are assigned to the electric typewriter for a period of two weeks. Students then compare the work done on both machines and thus become aware of the increased speed, touch, carbons, etc.

During the past year a group of persons requested that an adult typewriting class be held weekly. A course of fifteen (15) lessons was given on Wednesday evenings from seven to nine to twenty-two adults. At the completion of the course nineteen certificates were issued to those who had successfully completed the course. The course was very well attended and the class was most cooperative and enthusiastic. Again this year, the beginners' group was started and twelve of the members of last year's class requested that an advanced class be held. At the present time classes in both beginning and advanced typewriting are held weekly.

I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for all the cooperation and assistance received during the past year.

VOCAL MUSIC INSTRUCTOR

BEATRICE M. WELSH

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

Music is a medium for emotional expression common to all people. Singing is the most universal mode of participating in music. We grow in music participation through listening, singing and rhythmic experiences. There is no child who will not delight in singing songs or performing in a rhythm band. Rhythm bands have been formed in the first and second grades and, as usual, the children are most enthusiastic.

There is a decided improvement in the Junior High School Vocal Music classes this year since the non-singers have been eliminated.

In closing, I would like to express my appreciation for the cooperation I have received.

HOMEMAKING DEPARTMENT

LORETTA F. KEANE

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

Household Arts is a required course for all Junior High School girls. The course is designed to introduce the girls to Homemaking in all its phases and to show the interrelation of all units which make up the home life of the family, emphasizing the part of the Junior High School girl in these family relationships.

The Vocational Household Arts Program is an elective two year course for High School Freshmen and Sophomores. Its objectives are to aid girls to become more helpful members of the family group and to train them to evaluate homemaking practices and develop for themselves satisfying ways of living.

Under the direction of Mrs. Helen Pierce, R. N., a course in Home Nursing was offered. Upon successful completion of the course, a Red Cross Home Nursing Certificate was awarded each girl.

Planned and executed by the girls, a successful Fashion Show and Open House were presented in the Spring.

MANUAL TRAINING INSTRUCTOR

RICHARD SANTOS

I submit my annual report for the Manual Training Department of the Provincetown Junior and Senior High School.

In our shop program, Woodworking continues to be the medium by which the boys receive training. In the Junior High School two periods per week are required for each pupil.

The program in the 7th grade consists of a number of different projects which each pupil makes. These projects are chosen to include at least one or more of the different processes in tool handling and woodworking techniques.

In grade 8 the first half of the year is given over to a simple course in Mechanical Drawing. This course offers training in mechanical dexterity, appreciation of correct and good design, and an introduction to drawing for the boys who may go into technical schools. A more advanced course is offered two periods a week for Senior High students.

Another phase of woodworking on the Junior High level is given five periods a week to the Junior Practical Arts students with the same objectives in mind as for the 7th grade students.

In the Senior High, Woodworking and Mechanical Drawing become elective at two periods per week with the students who can fit this into their programs.

The shop has been soundproofed and painted this past year. All power tools are in good shape.

Woodworking benches, in use since 1931, should be replaced.

JUNIOR PRACTICAL ARTS CLASS

DENNIS M. ARESTA

I hereby submit to the town of Provincetown my report as teacher of the Junior Practical Arts Class.

OBJECTIVES

One must try to visualize retarded boys and girls as they are ready to leave school to face the problems of everyday existence. It is at this point that we should explore and decide which school activities should receive major emphasis. These activities should be concerned primarily with the child's education for achievement in the world of knowledge, in the occupational field, in social relations and in leisure time. Every child should be educated for some participation in the world's

work regardless of his handicaps. The child's capabilities should be discovered and utilized.

PROGRAM

The school day is divided into short periods because the child's limitations are greater and his interests are less varied and less extensive than those of normal children. Fifty per cent of the day is dedicated to academic work. The remaining time is devoted to arts and crafts which enable the students to acquire some skills and co-ordination. A considerable amount of time is spent in the manual training shop. To insure the students' physical growth and development they are fitted into the physical education program.

Socially the students are allowed full participation in school activities. It is just as important to educate the mentally retarded child to be happy and efficient in his social relationships as it is to try to make him able to earn a livelihood. His life, like that of all others, is composed of living as well as earning.

ART SUPERVISOR RUTH CABRAL

I hereby submit my annual report as Supervisor of Art.

The aim of the art program is to develop the personal expression of each child. The program includes drawing, painting, designing in cut paper and constructing in two and three dimensions, modeling with plastacine and building forms with papier mache. Art work is related to his life experiences at home, at school, at work and at play.

Through the medium of art forms—murals, pictorial maps and dioramas—the child's art activities are integrated with respect to his knowledge of social studies, community life and literature. Greeting cards are designed with crayon, water color, stencil and block print. Lettering and poster work for school and community activities are developed as the need arises. The older children are given a more conscious approach to such art problems as organization of color and space relationship.

I recommend that every effort be expended for the realization of an adequate art room at the high school which would include a sink, sufficient cupboard and display area, as well as working space for group and individual projects.

I wish to express my appreciation to those whose assistance and cooperation I have received.

PROVINCETOWN VOCATIONAL SCHOOL KENDALL KNOWLTON

Herewith submitted is the Vocational School report:

The Vocational Course in the Provincetown Vocational School consists mainly of Automotive Training and Machine Work; Electric Welding and Acetylene Welding are also taught.

The objective is to promote the learning of these subjects to prepare the pupil as an apprentice in his trade.

Related studies are taken up for the purpose of giving the boy a better understanding of the various trades and to show him how the abilities gained in the different courses can be put to use.

As of this school year the following was done:

1. The pupils were classified according to previous experience in the course, and the time for related trade subjects was doubled.
2. The honor system was introduced.
3. There were several improvements made which improved the appearance of the building.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC SUPERVISOR STANIFORD A. SORRENTINO

I herewith submit my annual report in instrumental music for the elementary and Junior-Senior High School.

In the fourth, fifth, and sixth grades class instruction is offered in the brass, woodwind, string, and percussion instruments. This year there are over fifty boys and girls taking advantage of this instruction at the Veterans Memorial School. The beginners and the more advanced players participate in the orchestra and other small ensembles.

The Junior High School program offers such activities as orchestra and other small ensembles, as well as a limited amount of instruction.

The activities offered in the High School are band, orchestra, and dance band.

In closing I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the people of Provincetown who have supported our music activities, and I wish to thank the School Committee, Mr. Keane, the administration and faculty of both the Junior-Senior High School and the Veterans Memorial School for their assistance and cooperation.

HANDWRITING SUPERVISOR

W. L. RINEHART, DIRECTOR

Once again I am pleased to report on the operation of the handwriting program for the past year.

Your teachers have continued to give us the splendid cooperation which has become traditional in your schools and for the many courtesies extended to me and my personnel I am most grateful.

Our records show at the conclusion of June 1956 that 97% of the papers scored were Excellent or Good. It is reasonable to conclude, therefore, that 97% of the papers were eminently satisfactory. Only 3% of the papers were rated Fair or Unsatisfactory.

During the past school year we graded and diagnosed approximately 16,000 samples of handwriting for your pupils. A formal test was administered at four teaching-week intervals and a report was furnished each teacher in writing giving a careful diagnosis of the handwriting of each pupil in the room. We supplied the following instructional and motivational materials to your pupils and teachers: teacher outlines and folders, pupil folders, motivation graphs, individual certificates to pupils who qualified, diagnostic charts, handedness tests, envelopes, seals, etc.

Our primary objective is to teach your students to read and write both cursive handwriting and hand lettering in order that they may have these two tools as efficient aids in school, business, and social correspondence. At each grade level we attempt to achieve the standard norm in speed and never lose sight of the fact that the concomitants of neatness, accuracy, and attention to detail in doing work are desirable characteristics that need to be developed along with technical skills.

SCHOOL NURSE

HELEN C. PIERCE, R. N.

I hereby submit my annual report as school nurse.

During the year there has been a number of cases of measles and mumps, both in the Veterans Memorial and the Junior-Senior High Schools.

Inspections were made weekly in the elementary school and monthly in the Junior-Senior High School except when daily inspection was found necessary.

In January a Toxoid Clinic was held at Town Hall. Dr. Fred Moore inoculated fifty (50) children and vaccinated twenty-nine (29) chil-

dren. He also gave a booster dose to thirty-four (34) children. In February, Dr. Moore gave Salk Vaccine to eighty-eight (88) children in grades two and three. In April, Dr. Moore gave Salk Vaccine to four hundred eighty-nine (489) children from ages six months to fifteen years. In May one hundred seventy-seven (177) children were given their second dose of Salk Vaccine in grades two and three.

In June, Dr. Gerald Hoeffel examined fifty-four (54) children entering school in September. Many defects found at this time were corrected before the child entered school. In July, four hundred fifty-two (452) children from ages six months to fifteen years, received their second dose of Salk Vaccine. In October, ninety-three (93) doses of Salk Vaccine were given to the High School students, ages sixteen to nineteen years. In December, they were given their second dose.

The Audiometer test was given to all the children with four (4) failures.

The Massachusetts Vision test was given to all children in both schools, with seven failures. Most of these have obtained glasses by this time.

During the year I have attended several conferences for professional improvement.

May I express my sincere thanks to all for the cooperation and assistance that I have received.

VETERANS MEMORIAL SCHOOL

WILLIAM L. ROCHE

WILHELMINA LOPEZ

We herewith submit the second annual report as Principals of the Veterans Memorial School.

ENROLLMENT		
Teacher	Grade	Enrollment
Mrs. Frances Francis	1	22
Miss Hilda Dennis	1	23
Mrs. Mary Rogers	1	23
Miss Lucinda Anthony	2	29
Miss Helen Sylvia	2	29
Miss Bessie Corea	3	28
Mrs. Florence Nickerson	3	28
Mrs. Eva Dutra	3	28
Mrs. Mary Alves	4	36
Mrs. Delphine DeRiggs	4	36
Mrs. Anne Roche (resigned Oct. 1, 1956)	5	28

Mrs. Dorothy Gill (appointed Nov. 21, 1956)		
Mrs. Grace Collinson	5	28
Mr. Andrew DeVito	6	31
Mrs. Madeleine Perry (replacing Mrs. Lopez for one year)	6	29
Total Enrollment	—	398

This figure represents an increase of 36 pupils.

Because of the large number of pupils in grade 3, Mrs. Eva Dutra was moved from the second grade to the needed third grade.

Thanks to the wonderful cooperation of the staff of the school, and you, the townspeople, a large Christmas party was held for the children on December 20th, similar to the one held in 1955 which was not reported. Almost 500 children (including pre-schoolers) had an opportunity to chat with Santa and receive gifts and partake of refreshments.

In April, 1956 a Minstrel Show was offered for the entertainment and approval of the public by the pupils of the school. Approximately 150 children took part in this effort. The prime purpose of such a project is to enable the youngsters to participate in a social activity, the success of which depends upon awareness of each other's accomplishments and individual responsibilities.

The school year ended with graduation exercises on June 5, 1956. We felt very proud that Mr. Irving T. McDonald honored us by giving a talk to the outgoing sixth graders. In our grade alignment the two sixth grades assume an importance often not stressed until the eighth grade. Since our children necessarily go into the High School atmosphere rather than a separate Junior High School, we strive to help them to understand the many obligations that they must meet and should accept.

Mrs. Fannie Fields, and her three assistants are serving over 90% of the children daily in the cafeteria. We feel that a better job could not be done by these women. This is an outgrowth of their feeling towards the work. Their many hours of labor are prompted by love.

The people of the town who have visited the school and have observed the physical condition of the building, realize that little can be added to a sincere commendation of the two custodians, Mr. James Sants and Mr. Raymond Zawalick.

Mrs. Helen Pierce, our school nurse, continues to make herself an indispensable person to the school and community. Many things are done by her solely because of her strict personal sense of responsibility to

Provincetown. A nurse in daily attendance is a very reassuring and necessary adjunct to an elementary school.

In reference to the teachers and supervisors, Mr. Roche, who since September has supervised approximately 200 teachers within a radius of 50 miles of Boston, wishes that every citizen in Provincetown could have had his opportunity comparing city schools with ours; the contrast would have been enlightening and gratifying. Truly, Provincetown is very fortunate to have the teachers and supervisors it has. Our children are provided with physical educational necessities and a dedicated personnel.

In September, Mrs. Wilhelmina Lopez began her duties as Acting Principal for one year. Mr. Roche was given a leave of absence. He is on the staff of Suffolk University in Boston teaching all elementary subjects for preparatory teachers and graduate students.

In conclusion we wish to express our heartfelt appreciation to the townspeople for their loyal support in our school activities, especially our Christmas Fund Whist Party. We also want to express our thanks to our Superintendent, Mr. Keane, the School Committee, and our faculty for the whole hearted cooperation.

BARNSTABLE COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER

F. L. MOORE, M. D.

I beg to submit this report of the activities of the Barnstable County Health Department concerned with the schools of Provincetown during the year 1956.

When a supply of poliomyelitis vaccine became available early in the year, clinics for the administration of the vaccine were organized in the schools. Voluntary assistance in the operation of these clinics was rendered by physicians, nurses and clerical personnel of the Town.

A total of 767 individuals, of which 546 were school children or school personnel, received the vaccine.

Fluoridation of the water supply of the town, another very important preventive measure, has been under discussion at the instigation of the Parent-Teacher's Association.

We have participated in two meetings where the subject has been presented. Fluoridation of the water supply is a simple, safe and inexpensive procedure which has been proven effective in reducing dental decay by as much as 60%. Since the public water supply is available to all families in the Town, we hope the people will support this valuable preventive measure.

Health supervision of the school children has been continued as usual. An important phase of this work is the spring roundup of children who enter the school system for the first time in the fall. Physical examinations were carried out by Dr. Gerald Hoeffel, who was employed by this Department. As usual, Mrs. Pierce, our school nurse has been instrumental in securing the attendance of almost all parents at the spring clinics.

Other personnel of this Department, who are always available for assistance to school personnel are the sanitary inspectors, the public health nurse, the psychiatric social worker and the dental hygienist.

GRADUATION PROGRAM

Processional: Coronation March	G. Meyerbeer
P. H. S. Orchestra	
Invocation	Rev. Harold R. Bronk, Jr.
Give Me Your Tired, Your Poor	Berlin
P. H. S. Chorus	
Our Most Cherished Moments	David Hautanen
Roses of the South	Strauss
P. H. S. Chorus	
Education	Judith Boogar
Marche Slave	Tschaikowsky
P. H. S. Orchestra	
The Philosophy of Education	Paul Kane
He	Mullan and Richards
P. H. S. Chorus	
Presentation of Diplomas	Mr. Augustus Keane
Benediction	Rev. Leo J. Duart
Recessional: March of the Crusaders	Traditional

CLASS OFFICERS

David Hautanen	President
Judith Boogar	Vice-President
Mary Perry	Secretary
Patricia O'Donnell	Treasurer
Miss Kathleen J. Medeiros	Class Advisor

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Judith Boogar Paul Kane David Hautanen
Leadership — Scholarship — Service

CLASS COLORS

Red and White

CLASS MOTTO

Unto Thine Own Self Be True

STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

Dawn Ormsby Paul Kane

GRADUATES

Judith Boogar	Richard Arthur Brown	Marilyn Louise Daigneault	Rachel Marie DeSilva	Barbara Mae Enos
Robert Paul Fiset	John W. Gregory	David Laurent Hautanen	Dolores Carmel Henrique	Diane Naomi Hurd
P. H. S. Chorus	Clement Casimer Kacergis	Paul Randolph Kane	Donald Edward Langley, Jr.	Bertha Louise Martinot
Our Most Cherished Moments	David Hautanen	Paul Joseph Malaquias	Patricia Phyllis O'Donnell	Thomas Frederick Patrick
Roses of the South	Strauss	Rosemarie Mavrogeorge	Mary Dawn Ormsby	
P. H. S. Chorus	Judith Boogar	Paul Sears Mayo		
Education	Tschaikowsky			
Marche Slave	Paul Kane			
P. H. S. Orchestra	Mullan and Richards			
The Philosophy of Education				
He				
P. H. S. Chorus				
Presentation of Diplomas	Mr. Augustus Keane	Mary Christine Perry	Thomas F. Perry	Stanley Hyatt Rowe
Benediction	Rev. Leo J. Duart			
Recessional: March of the Crusaders	Traditional			
John Thomas Serpa	Duane Alden Steele	Shirley Ann Salvador	Robert J. Savini	
	Anthony Philip Tarvers, Jr.			
	Jonathan James Thomas			
	Margaret Elizabeth Thomas			
	Marguerite Theresa Thomas			

1956 Town Meetings and Elections

Annual Town Meeting

Monday, March 12, 1956

The Moderator called the meeting to order at 7:30 P. M. and Rev. Arthur Dewey opened the meeting with a short prayer.

Moved by Clarence Kacergis to waive the reading of the Warrant.
Motion carried.

Article 1. To hear the reports of Town officers and Committees and to act thereon.

FINAL REPORT OF THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

At a special town meeting on June 22, 1953 the town voted to appropriate \$480,000 to build a fourteen room elementary school on the so-called Grace Hall lot.

The building was completed and occupied on April 15, 1955.

It was dedicated as the Veterans Memorial School by the veterans organizations on May 1, 1955.

Following is a detailed classified accounting of the expenditure.

Appropriation

Bonds	\$380,000.00
Free Cash	31,583.16
Post War Reconstruction Fund	68,416.84
	<u>\$480,000.00</u>

Summary of Expenses

Building:	
General Contract	\$373,360.81
Kitchen Equipment	14,789.66
Hardware	6,700.00
Cape & Vineyard Electric Company	60.90
F. A. Days & Sons	2.91
Howard Burch	44.95
Cape Cod Gas Co.	248.28
Castino & Neumann	599.50
Millar Co., Inc.	1,062.00
Clarks Shop	75.00
B. H. Dyer Co.	27.50
Steele's Oil Co.	237.15
Welding Works	33.00
Arthur Avila	24.00
Higgins Lumber Co., Inc.	137.25
	<u>397,402.91</u>

Administration:	
Walter Gaffney, Architect	26,240.30
Clerk and Inspector	5,000.00
New England Tel. & Tel.	132.14
Expense to office of Comm.	46.50
Silva's Trucking	35.00
Higgins Lumber Co., Inc.	5.57
	<u>31,459.51</u>
Insurance:	
Builders Risk	1,701.00
Advertising:	
Robert Wood Engraving Co.	146.00
Provincetown Printery	51.30
	<u>91.42</u>
	<u>288.72</u>
Site Development:	
Warren J. Silva	1,449.70
H. V. Lawrence	646.95
Charles Porter	70.10
M. F. Roach Co.	7,700.00
Higgins Lumber Co., Inc.	7.20
Ralph Santos	2,295.36
David Lawrence	4,655.00
Spanger Brothers	274.75
Legal Fees, Engineering, Land Taking, Deeds, Surveying, etc.	410.45
Nilsson-Stewart Fence Company	1,515.00
James Santos	284.16
Raymond Zawalick	119.16
	<u>19,427.83</u>
Furnishings and Equipment:	
Gledhill Bros., Inc.	14,256.62
Arnold's Inc.	2,945.95
Jackson Chairs, Inc	1,838.40
Lands End Marine, Inc.	60.30
State Institutions	513.95
Halsil Products Co.	1,527.12
Charlbets	975.19
B. H. Dyer Co.	332.42
Higgins Lumber Co., Inc.	45.05
B. L. Tallman, Inc.	60.00
H. J. Dowd Co., Inc.	114.54
Ressco Co.	442.70
Henry J. Wolkins Co.	122.20
Ernest Irmer	30.75
H. B. Motion Picture Service	278.50
Cinema, Inc.	696.00
J. L. Hammett Co.	11.71

Shipping Room Suppliers, Inc.	39.50
H. M. Meserve	210.50
Voit Rubber Corporation	44.00
Zawatsky & Sons, Inc.	18.00
Nat Faunce	69.50
Golden Associates	1,430.00
Beckley-Cardy Co.	156.00
American Mat Corporation	520.37
Consolidated Bronze Tablet Co.	221.76
Schieber Sales Co.	2,611.00
Cutler's Pharmacy	12.50
W. C. Bonner Co.	20.30
Freight	56.58
	29,661.41
Total Expenditures	\$479,941.38
Balance Unexpended	58.62
Appropriation	\$480,000.00
Total reimbursement authorized from the State of Mass.	\$96,414.69
Paid to date	5,034.06
Annual payments to be	5,114.86

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Ralph Carpenter that the report of the Elementary School Building Committee be accepted and the Committee discharged on May 1, 1956.

Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE POSSIBILITY OF A REGIONAL SCHOOL WITH THE TOWN OF TRURO

Pursuant to our appointment by the Moderator, as a committee of five members to investigate the possibility of a regional school with the Town of Truro, we met with the Truro Committee and as a result Herbert F. Mayo was elected chairman and Frank S. Bent, secretary.

It was agreed at that meeting that the committee through its secretary should contact Mr. Simeon J. Domas, Specialist in School District Organization, School Building Assistance Commission, 88 Broad St., Boston, Mass., concerning the feasibility of a regional school with the Town of Truro.

As a result of the above, a letter was received from Mr. Domas, dated December 30, 1955 from which we quote, "With reference to a Provincetown-Truro region, I see no educational advantage for Provincetown. If possible, you should consider a four or five-town regional school district."

Because of this letter it was the unanimous feeling of this committee that further investigation of the possibility of a regional school with Truro only would be useless.

Herbert F. Mayo, Chairman
 Frank S. Bent, Secretary
 Wesley G. Felton
 Raymond W. Souza
 Arthur P. Malchman

Moved by Herbert Mayo that the report of the committee to investigate the possibility of a regional school with the Town of Truro be accepted and that the committee be continued for further study of a regional school.

Motion carried unanimously.

CHRISTMAS LIGHTING REPORT

By the action taken in Article Five at the annual town meeting in 1955, this committee was appointed by the Moderator and we hereby submit our report to you, the people of Provincetown.

Trying to keep in mind that the people of Provincetown wanted something different in the way of Christmas lighting the committee went to work to establish some basic plan that could be added to in the future. Thus eventually giving the town a permanent Christmas display that could be varied or enlarged from year to year.

Because of the narrow streets, placement of light poles, and various laws it was somewhat difficult if not almost impossible to place lights all over town. Taking all these things into consideration, it was decided to concentrate on the main business district.

Where and what better place to start than with our own monument. So we made this our main objective, for not only could it be seen all over town, but for miles around.

In hopes of spreading the spirit of Christmas throughout for all, signs were placed at the two main roads leading into town wishing incoming traffic a Merry Christmas.

As a gesture of thankfulness, wherever lighting was possible trees were placed at the veterans' squares. On squares where this was not possible wreaths were placed.

All material used this year is now property of the Town. Each string of lights used is tagged telling exactly where it was used. This will make it easier to tell what has to be replaced, repaired, etc., saving time when they have to be used again.

Now for future plans:

It has been the hope of this committee to transplant a large spruce tree to the town hall grounds in time for Christmas. We ran into a technicality which made it inadvisable, but are looking into it with the belief it can be done for the coming year.

Profiting from the mistakes made, it is the plan of this committee to have the lights used on the monument reinforced. Thus trying to eliminate some of the damage done by the terrific beating they take from the wind. Also we hope to continue lights to the top thereby illuminating the whole outline.

Once the Pilgrim Plaque at the west end of town has been completed this also can be given a little Christmas cheer.

We hope, if we did not please all of the people, we did please some in our attempt to give you something different in the lighting of Provincetown for Christmas.

John R. Ham, Chairman
Katherine Steele
John Viera
James Meads
Franklin Oliver

Moved by Franklin Oliver that this report be accepted and the committee be continued.

Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Re: Article 40—March 14, 1955 Annual Town Meeting:

To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Finance Committee to study and report on the advisability of abandoning the operation of the Town Infirmary. (on request of the Town Manager.)

As directed above the Finance Committee has made a study of the

operations of the Town Infirmary and reached the following conclusions:

Findings:

1. That present operations are uneconomical for the Town.
2. That the present case load can be disposed of in a manner satisfactory to all concerned.
3. That the Town is faced with constantly increasing costs and a diminishing case load.

Recommendations:

1. That the operation of the Town Infirmary be abandoned not later than September 1956.
2. That arrangements be made by the Welfare Agent for disposition of the present case load.
3. That the Town Infirmary property be made available for the establishment of an authorized Nursing Home and operated by the Town under supervision of the Welfare Department.

Respectfully submitted:—3/12/56

Joseph E. Macara
Wm. W. McKellar
Francis E. Rogers
Nathan Malchman
Francis Packett

Moved by Nathan Malchman that the report be accepted.

Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Re. Article 12—March 14, 1955 Annual Town Meeting:

To see if the Town will vote to instruct the Finance Committee to study and report on future use or uses of the Bradford School Property and report their findings not later than the next Annual Town Meeting. (on request of the Selectmen.)

Finding:

The building is in excellent physical condition, needing only small maintenance repairs. There is some difference of opinion as to the condition of the boiler. An unofficial appraisal of the property estimates its value at approximately \$60,000.00.

Recommendation:

In view of the uncertainty of future requirements for school or other town purposes, the title to this property should be retained by the Town for a minimum period of five years.

During this period, the property should be made available for such community purposes as would serve to the greatest advantage the maximum number of citizens, but at no time would any interior major structural changes be made.

Respectfully submitted:—3/12/56

Joseph E. Macara, Chairman
Wm. W. McKellar, Secretary
Francis E. Rogers
Nathan Malchman
Francis Packett

Moved by Francis Rogers that the report be accepted.

Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE NEED OF A NEW GYMNASIUM

The Committee to study the need for a new school gymnasium met several times and desire to submit the following report:

It is evident that the present gymnasium at the high school lacks the necessary physical requirements of the standard basketball court. The present gymnasium measures approximately 60 x 40 feet, with very low exposed girders approximately 15 feet from the floor. These figures compared with regulation size court of 85 x 50 feet and a minimum of 25 feet high proves its inadequacy as to size. Other existing conditions as noted by the committee are as follows:

1. No storage space for heavy gymnasium equipment is available. Heavy equipment must be lifted off and on to the floor whenever the playing area is to be used for basketball.
2. Small locker room accommodations make it impossible to meet the need for proper facilities for visiting varsity teams on the nights there are two boys' basketball games. The visiting teams are compelled to use the girls' locker room.
3. The seating capacity is inadequate and unable to safely and comfortably satisfy the needs of the student body, the town citizens and supporters of the visiting team.
4. School authorities express opinion of the difficulty of arranging games with other schools who dislike to play in Provincetown because of the inadequacy of the gymnasium.

It is the honest opinion of this committee that a new, larger and better equipped gymnasium will not only offer better facilities for school children but will likewise encourage local adult teams to organize and make it possible for such teams to invite outstanding name teams to

play in Provincetown. Such a program could eventually result in a financial return to the Town.

Your committee feels that because of the above existing conditions together with the fact that the girls and boys of Provincetown during the past 25 years have proven themselves worthy exponents of the game of basketball and have therefore repaid to some extent your confidence and investment in their past welfare that every effort should be made to place a new gymnasium at the disposal of these groups.

We, the committee, sincerely solicit your help and cooperation. We request that you continue this committee or appoint a new committee to carry on the recommendation stated in a separate motion.

Committee on New School Gymnasium

William S. Tasha, Chairman
George Silva
Elizabeth DeRiggs
George F. Miller, Jr.
William H. Cabral
Francis E. Rogers

Moved by William H. Cabral that the report of the committee be accepted and the committee be continued or another committee be appointed.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Joseph Lema, Jr., that the Town report be accepted in its entirety.

Motion carried.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1956, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1956, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 3. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the expenses of the Town and salaries of Town officers and departments for the fiscal year ending December 13, 1956.

1. General Government
2. Protection of Persons and Property
3. Health and Sanitation
4. Public Works
5. Charities and Veterans Services
6. Recreation and Unclassified
7. Public Service Enterprises and Cemeteries
8. Education and Library
9. Miscellaneous Financial Requirements

General Government

Moderator	
Personal Services	\$50.00
Selectmen	
Expenses	400.00
Town Manager	
Personal Services	7,820.00
Expenses	880.00
Town Clerk	
Personal Services	2,000.00
Expenses	600.00
Town Accountant	
Personal Services	2,720.00
Expenses	420.00
Treasurer-Collector	
Personal Services	4,460.00
Expenses	1,735.00
Finance Committee	
Personal Services	100.00
Expenses	15.00
Assessing	
Personal Services	3,050.00
Expenses	515.00
Law-Legal Services	1,200.00
Planning Board Expenses	225.00
Zoning Board Expenses	100.00
Elections and Town Meetings	
Personal Services	780.00
Expenses	520.00
Annual Reports	800.00
Town Crier	
Personal Services	600.00

Town Hall	
Personal Services	3,120.00
Expenses	3,680.00

For a total of \$35,790.00

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,790.00 for the expenses of General Government.

Motion carried unanimously.

Protection of Persons and Property

Police Department	
Personal Services	\$22,650.00
Expenses	2,525.00
Fire Department	
Personal Services	5,175.00
Expenses	8,700.00
Police and Firemen's Insurance	600.00
Dog Officer Salary	150.00
Ambulance Hire	1,750.00
Bounty on Seals	50.00
Street Lighting	11,952.00
Shellfish Constable's Salary	1,920.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	
Personal Services	100.00
Expenses	50.00
Building Inspector	
Personal Services	200.00
Expenses	50.00
Wiring Inspector's Salary	250.00
Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering	25.00
Moth Control Salaries	500.00
Dutch Elm Control Salaries	200.00
Tree Warden	25.00
Parking Meters	500.00
Civil Defense	1,000.00

For a total of \$58,372.00

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$58,372.00 for the Protection of Persons and Property.

Motion carried unanimously.

Health and Sanitation

Health Department	
Personal Services	\$4,010.00
Expenses	2,195.00

For a total of \$6,205.00

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,205.00 for Health and Sanitation.

Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works and Highways

Street Department	
Personal Services	\$19,400.00
Expenses	9,560.00
Rubbish Disposal	
Personal Services	11,200.00
Expenses	1,200.00
Town Wharf	
Personal Services	2,700.00
Expenses	1,801.00
For a total of	\$45,861.00

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$45,861.00 for Public Works and Highways.

Motion carried unanimously.

Charities and Veterans Services

1. Welfare Administration	\$6,015.00
2. General Relief	6,500.00
3. Old Age Assistance	85,408.00
4. Aid to Dependent Children	23,000.00
5. Disability Assistance	4,460.00
6. Veterans Benefits	
Personal Services	900.00
Expenses	220.00
Cash Grants	8,000.00
7. Town Infirmary	
Personal Services	1,740.00
Expenses	3,892.00
For a total of	\$140,135.00

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$140,135.00 for Charities and Veterans Services.

John Bell amended the motion that item 7 be laid on the table until after consideration of Article 35.

Mr. Bell withdrew the amendment after it was explained that the Town Infirmary had been in operation since January and had incurred bills and paid salaries and it was not known definitely what amount would be needed to pay these items if the Infirmary were converted

into a Medical Institution. Any such sums left in the Infirmary account at the end of the year would be turned over to the E & D Account.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Recreation and Unclassified

Playgrounds	
Personal Services	\$1,800.00
Expenses	985.00
Swimming Instruction	
Personal Services	300.00
Expenses	20.00
Summer Baseball	
Patriotic Observances	
Christmas Lighting	
Advertising	
For a total of	\$9,855.00

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,855.00 for Recreation and Unclassified.

Motion carried unanimously.

Public Service Enterprises and Cemeteries

Water Department	
Personal Services	\$22,000.00
Expenses	40,216.25
Cemetery Maintenance	
Personal Services	100.00
Expenses	900.00
For a total of	\$63,216.25

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$63,216.25 for Public Service Enterprises and Cemeteries.

Motion carried unanimously.

Education and Library

School Maintenance	
Personal Services—Superintendency	\$6,000.00
Expenses—Superintendency	575.00
Personal Services—Instruction	132,969.00
Expenses—Instruction	13,200.00
Personal Services—Janitors	13,586.00
Expenses—Janitors and Plant	1,750.00
Personal Services—Aux. Agencies	2,600.00
Expenses—Aux. Agencies	1,080.00
Utilities	11,205.00
Repairs	6,000.00

Moved by Herbert Mayo that the amount under Personal Services—Instruction be reduced from \$132,969.00 to \$125,905.00. A difference of \$7,064.00.

Vocational School	
Personal Services	\$1,880.00
Expenses	6,600.00

Moved by Herbert Mayo that the amount under Vocational Education—Personal Services be reduced from \$1,880.00 to \$1,747.00. A difference of \$133.00.

School Cafeteria	
Personal Services	\$10,150.00
Expenses	1,500.00
Adult Education	300.00
For a total of	\$209,395.00

Moved by Herbert Mayo that the Town vote to raise and appropriate for the expenses of the Provincetown Schools the sum of \$202,198.00 for the fiscal year 1956.

The motion that the Town vote to raise and appropriate for the expenses of the Provincetown Schools the sum of \$202,198.00 for the fiscal year 1956 was then voted on.

Motion carried unanimously.

Public Library	
Personal Services	\$5,010.00
Expenses	2,220.00
For a total of	\$7,230.00

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,230.00 for Library.

Motion carried unanimously.

Miscellaneous Finance Requirements

1. Maturing Debt	\$38,000.00
2. Interest on Debt	13,167.50
3. Interest on Temporary Loans	1,000.00
4. County Retirement Fund	3,506.00
5. Workmen's Compensation Insurance	2,625.00
6. Parking Lot Leases	550.00
7. Public Building Insurance	10,000.00
8. Reserve Fund	10,000.00
9. Court Judgments	1,000.00
For a total of	\$79,848.50

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$79,848.50 for Miscellaneous Financial Requirements.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600 for repairs and improvements in the municipal offices. (on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Clarence Kacergis that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$600 for repairs and improvements in the municipal offices.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$500 from the parking meter revenue account for the purpose of grading and improving Town parking lots. (on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Clarence Kacergis that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$500 from the parking meter revenue account for the purpose of grading and improving Town parking lots.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$147,000 for the construction of a wall for the protection of property between Monument Dock and the New Town Pier, the Town's share of the cost not to exceed 50 per cent of the total cost; \$7,000 to be transferred from available funds under Article 5 of the Special Town Meeting held September 30, 1955, and authorize the proper Town officers to raise \$140,000 by the issuance of ten-year bonds or notes under the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 7, as amended. (on request of the Harbor Development Committee and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Joseph E. Macara to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$147,000 for the construction of a wall for the protection of property between Monument Dock and the New Town Pier, the Town's share of the cost not to exceed 50 per cent of the total cost; \$7,000 to be transferred from available funds under Article 5 of the Special Town Meeting held September 30, 1955, and authorize the proper Town officers to raise \$140,000 by issuance of ten-year bonds or notes under the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 7, as amended.

Motion was carried by a standing vote of 315 YES to 5 NO.

Article 7. To see if the Town will assume liability in the manner provided by Section 29 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapters 516 and 524, Acts of 1950, for all damages that may be in-

curred by work to be performed by the Department of Public Works of Massachusetts for the improvement, development, maintenance and protection of tidal and non-tidal rivers and streams, harbors, tide-water, foreshores and shores along a public beach outside of Boston Harbor, including the Merrimack and Connecticut Rivers, in accordance with Section 11 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws, and authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a bond of indemnity therefor to the Commonwealth. (on request of the Selectmen)

Moved by Joseph Lema, Jr., that the Town assume liability in the manner provided by Section 29 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapters 516 and 524, Acts of 1950, for all damages that may be incurred by work to be performed by the Department of Public Works of Massachusetts for the improvement, development, maintenance and protection of tidal and non-tidal rivers and streams, harbors, tide-water, foreshores and shores along a public beach outside of Boston Harbor, including the Merrimack and Connecticut Rivers, in accordance with Section 11 of Chapter 91 of the General Laws, and authorize the Selectmen to execute and deliver a bond of indemnity therefor to the Commonwealth.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Mary S. Tarvers to take up Article 10 at this time.

Motion carried.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to accept Chapter 45, Section 14 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, as amended, and to establish a recreation commission agreeable thereto. (on request of Mary S. Tarvers and others)

Moved by Mary S. Tarvers that the Town vote to accept Chapter 45, Section 14 of the General Laws of Massachusetts, as amended and to establish a recreation commission agreeable thereto.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Fred Rogers that Article 11 be taken up at this time.

Motion carried.

Article 11. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a board of five recreation commissioners to serve until such time as such board is duly elected, such temporary board to serve without compensation. (on request of Mary S. Tarvers and others)

Moved by Mary S. Tarvers that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen to appoint a board of five recreation commissioners to serve until such time as such board is duly elected, such temporary board to serve without compensation.

Moved by Fred Rogers to amend the motion by striking out the words "until such time as such board is duly elected, such temporary board to serve."

Amendment not carried.

Original motion carried.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to allow the present New Governor Bradford School so-called to be used as a community center for the citizens of the Town to be operated under supervision of the recreation commissioners, said commissioners to have charge of all youth activities; the use of the building, however, to be used on the condition that the same is to be returned to the Town for use as a school or other purposes whenever a vote of the Town so directs. (on request of Mary S. Tarvers and others)

Moved by Mary S. Tarvers that the Town vote to allow the present New Governor Bradford School so-called to be used as a community center for the citizens of the Town to be operated under supervision of the recreation commissioners, said commissioners to have charge of all youth activities; the use of the building, however, to be used on the condition that the same is to be returned to the Town for use as a school or other purposes whenever a vote of the Town so directs.

Motion carried.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$8,500 to be spent for the establishment and operation of the program by a Board of Recreation Commissioners, appointed by the Board of Selectmen, such Board to be governed by the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 45, Section 14 as amended. (on request of Mary S. Tarvers and others and the sum of \$5,500 recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Mary S. Tarvers that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,500 to be spent for the establishment and operation of the program by a Board of Recreation Commissioners, appointed by the Board of Selectmen, such Board to be governed by the provisions of General Laws, Chapter 45, Section 14 as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Irving Rogers that Article 35 be taken up at this time.

Motion carried.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and instruct the Board of Public Welfare to convert the Town Infirmary into a Public Medical Institution to provide a local facility for the care and treatment of persons requiring nursing or convalescent care and in order to meet the licensing requirements and for current operating expenses

the sum of \$15,000 be raised and appropriated or transferred from available funds in the treasury; and a committee of five persons be appointed by the Moderator to assist the Board of Public Welfare (Town Manager) and Welfare Agent in making the conversion, to act fully thereon or take any action in relation thereto. (on request of Catherine B. Cadose and others and recommended by the Finance Committee.)

Moved by Irving S. Rogers that the Town authorize the Board of Public Welfare to convert the Town Infirmary into a Public Medical Institution in accordance with Chapter 111, Section 71 to 73 inclusive, as amended by Chapter 618 of the acts of 1948, and to meet license requirements and to conform to Regulations for Convalescent and Nursing Homes, which were adopted by the State Department of Public Health on November 3, 1948, the sum of \$15,000 be raised and appropriated for said purpose; and a Committee of five (5) persons, two of said five to be the Town Manager and Welfare Agent, be appointed by the Moderator for the purpose of making the conversion at the earliest possible date.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize and instruct the Board of Selectmen to execute a deed of the land and building thereon known as the Bradford School property, so-called, to Morris-Light Post No 71 American Legion for a consideration not to exceed the sum of \$10,000 said deed to contain a provision for the reversion of title to this property to the said Town, in the event that said premises cease to be used and occupied by said Morris-Light Post No. 71 for the purposes of the American Legion, or take any action relative thereto. (on request of George A. Baker and others and not recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Joseph Macara that Article 12 be indefinitely postponed.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Frank Henderson to take up Article 46 at this time.

Motion carried.

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction or on sealed bids for a sum not less than \$2,000 a piece of property to which the Town has a disputed claim bounded as follows:

Commencing at the junction of "Old Shipway Road" so called, thence running in a northerly direction by "Jerome Smith" road so called five hundred and fifteen (515) feet, thence turning and running in a southwesterly direction to "Shipway Road" so called to a marked pine stump a distance of two hundred (200) feet more

or less, thence turning and running in a southeasterly direction along Shipway Road to the point of beginning.

(on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Frank Henderson that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at public auction or on sealed bids for a sum not less than \$2,000 the piece of property to which the Town has a disputed claim bounded as follows:

Commencing at the junction of "Old Shipway Road" so called, thence running in a northerly direction by "Jerome Smith" road so called five hundred and fifteen (515) feet, thence turning and running in a southwesterly direction to "Shipway Road" so called to a marked pine stump a distance of two hundred (200) feet more or less, thence turning and running in a southeasterly direction along Shipway Road to the point of beginning.

Motion carried.

Moved by Fred Rogers that the meeting be adjourned until the next night at 7:30 P. M., March 13, 1956.

Meeting adjourned at 11 P. M.

March 13, 1956

Meeting called to order on March 13, 1956 at 7:30 P. M.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 for extending water service to the new Municipal Wharf. (on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Clarence Kacergis that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 for extending water service to the new Municipal Wharf.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the purpose of paying the Town's share of Chapter 90 construction allotments to be used for surfacing the 1955 Chapter 90 project. (on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the purpose of paying the Town's share of Chapter 90 construction allotments to be used for surfacing the 1955 and 1956 Chapter 90 project.

Motion carried.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,475 to reimburse the County of Barnstable for engineering services and land-damage claims paid by the County Commissioners in conjunction with the 1955 Chapter 90 project. (on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,475 to reimburse the County of Barnstable for engineering services and land-damage claims paid by the County Commissioners in conjunction with the 1955 Chapter 90 project.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90 for the purpose of reimbursing Eugene J. Perry for the expense of providing electrical and water utilities in conjunction with the 1955 Chapter 90 project. (on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90 for the purpose of reimbursing Eugene J. Perry for the expenses of providing electrical and water utilities to the new location of the Perry store which was relocated in conjunction with the 1955 Chapter 90 project.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,000 for the purpose of planting trees along the new Chapter 90 project. (on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Frank Henderson that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400 for the purpose of planting trees along the new Chapter 90 project.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,320 for the purchase of the following equipment for the School Department:

1. For purchasing and installing a dish-washing machine complete with soiled and clean dish racks, drain board, work table and hot water booster—\$3,050.00.
2. For purchase of 124 chairs and steel table legs for present tables—\$1,270.00.

(on request of the School Committee and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Herbert Mayo that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,320 for purchasing and installing a dish-washing

machine complete with soiled and clean dish racks, drain board, work table and hot water booster and the purchase of 124 chairs and steel table legs for present tables.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,665 for the following permanent school improvements:

1. For soundproofing ceilings on first floor, gymnasium, cafeteria and foods room—\$5,500.00.
2. Repairs to electrical system—\$6,500.00.
3. One sink—\$165.00.
4. Broiler repairs—\$500.00.

(on request of the School Committee and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Herbert Mayo that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,665 for soundproofing ceilings on first floor, gymnasium, cafeteria and foods room, repairs to electrical system, one sink and boiler repairs.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the purpose of painting the outside of Town Hall. (on request of the Selectmen and not recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Frank Henderson that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000 for the purpose of painting the outside of Town Hall.

Motion not carried.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 for the purpose of repairing the roof of the Town Hall. (on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Frank Henderson that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500 for the purpose of repairing the roof of the Town Hall.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for the purchase of a police cruiser to replace the 1953 Ford presently in use. (on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Frank Henderson that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for the purchase of a police cruiser to replace the 1953 Ford presently in use.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for the purchase of an electric typewriter and two electric adding machines for the municipal offices. (on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Frank Henderson that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for the purchase of an electric typewriter and two electric adding machines for the municipal offices.

Motion carried.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for the purchase of a Water Department three-fourths ton pickup truck to replace the 1947 Ford. (on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Joseph Lema, Jr., that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,500 for the purchase of a Water Department three-fourths ton pickup truck to replace the 1947 Ford.

Motion carried by a standing vote of 92 YES to 1 NO.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,800 for the purchase of a compressor and pavement breaking tools for the use of the Water Department and Street Department. (on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Clarence Kacergis that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,800 for the purchase of a compressor and pavement breaking tools for the use of the Water Department and Street Department.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400 for the purchase of new playground equipment. (on request of the Selectmen and not recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Joseph Macara that Article 26 be indefinitely postponed. He further explained that the reason for this was the creation of the recreation commission and the Finance Committee feels that it is up to that commission to recommend such expenditures.

Motion carried.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to become a member of the Cape Cod Planning District under the provisions of Chapter 40B of the

General Laws or take any action in relation thereto. (on request of the Planning Board and not recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by George Baker that the Town vote to become a member of the Cape Cod Planning District under the provisions of Chapter 40B of the General Laws.

Motion not carried by standing vote of 83 NO to 21 YES.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$1,205 to pay its proportionate share of the costs and expenses of the Cape Cod Planning District or take any other action relative thereto. (on request of the Planning Board and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by George Baker that Article 28 be indefinitely postponed.
Motion carried unanimously.

Article 29. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager to enter into a contract for twelve months for consulting services available to the several offices, Committees and Boards of the Town in the purchasing of supplies, materials, equipment and commodities; and to raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$185 therefor. (on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Joseph Lema, Jr., that the Town authorize the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager to enter into a contract for twelve months for consulting services available to the several offices, Committees and Boards of the Town in the purchasing of supplies, materials, equipment and commodities; and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$185 therefor.

Motion carried.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to replace the present clock in the top of the Town Hall with clocks having electric movements. (on request of Fred W. Rogers and others and recommended by Finance Committee. Finance Committee recommends that striking mechanism be installed in 1957)

Moved by Fred Rogers that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to replace the present clock in the top of Town Hall with clocks having electric movements.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to resurface Winslow Street from Veterans Memorial School to Jerome Smith Road. (on request of Gabriel Fratus and others and recommended from funds available under Article 39 of the March 14, 1955 Annual Town Meeting.)

Moved by Gabriel Fratus that the Town vote and appropriate the sum of \$1,500 to resurface Winslow Street from Veterans Memorial School to Jerome Smith Road.

Amended by Joseph Macara to read and that funds be obtained from funds made available under Article 39 of the March 14, 1955 Annual Town Meeting.

Amendment carried.

Motion as amended carried unanimously.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,000 for the purchase of a new piece of apparatus to replace the old 1931 model stationed at Pumper No. 1 House. Specifications for this piece of apparatus are to be drawn up by the Board of Engineers and to be included in the advertising of all bids for this apparatus. (on request of Joseph Matta and others and not recommended by the Finance Committee without further study)

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$19,000 for the purchase of a new piece of apparatus to replace the old 1931 model stationed at Pumper No. 1 House. Specifications for this piece of apparatus are to be drawn up by the Board of Fire Engineers and to be included in the advertising of all bids for this apparatus.

Motion not carried.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,250 for a Fourth of July Celebration to be administered under the supervision of the Fire Department. (on request of William H. Bickers and others and the Finance Committee recommends an appropriation of \$750.00)

Moved by William H. Bickers that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,250 for the Fourth of July Celebration to be administered under supervision of the Fire Department.

Motion carried.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$750 to pay for the services of a supervisor or director for the summer baseball program. (on request of the Summer Baseball Committee of 1955 and others and not recommended by the Finance Committee, see Article 8)

Moved by Joseph Macara that Article 34 be indefinitely postponed.

Motion carried.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain a street light on the pole at 11 Holway Avenue. (on request of Mary E. Ramos and others)

Moved by Joseph Lema, Jr., that the Town vote to install and maintain a street light on the pole at 11 Holway Avenue.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain one 2500-lumen lamp on Pleasant Street between Bradford and Commercial Streets. (on request of Burton Kenney and others and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Burton Kenney that the Town vote to install and maintain one 2500-lumen lamp on Pleasant Street between Bradford and Commercial Streets.

Motion carried.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain one street light on Carnes Avenue near the property of Manuel Souza Palheiro. (on request of Manuel Cabral and others and not recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Joseph Lema, Jr., that the Town vote to install and maintain one street light on Carnes Avenue near the property of Manuel Souza Palheiro.

Motion not carried.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to install and maintain one street light on Conant Street opposite 26 Conant Street. (on request of Mary M. Corea and others and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Joseph Lema, Jr., that the Town vote to install and maintain one street light on Conant Street opposite 26 Conant Street.

Motion carried.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and Town Manager to sell at public auction or on sealed bids any property other than real estate which is owned by the Town and no longer required for municipal use. (on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Joseph Lema, Jr., that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen and Town Manager to sell at public auction or on sealed bids any property other than real estate which is owned by the Town and no longer required for municipal use.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to raze the Town-owned dwelling known as the Smith House located at 42B Bradford Street and direct that the land be

graded and used for parking purposes. (on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to raze the Town-owned dwelling known as the Smith House located at 42B Bradford Street and direct that the land be graded and used for parking purposes.

Motion carried.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to print the Assessors' Valuation of the Town of Provincetown. (on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Joseph Lema, Jr., that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 to print the Assessors' Valuation of the Town of Provincetown.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to accept and adopt or amend and adopt the following proposed change in the Town of Provincetown Zoning By-law, as amended, or take any action relative thereto:

Paragraph 2 of Section VII, Administration, the following subparagraph shall be inserted at the end of Paragraph 2:

In accordance with Section 20 of Chapter 40A of the General Laws as amended, no appeal or petition under paragraph three of section fifteen for a variance from the terms of this By-law with respect to a particular parcel of land or the building thereon, and no application under paragraph two of section fifteen for a special exception to the terms of this By-law, which has been unfavorably acted upon by the Board of Appeals shall be considered on its merits by said Board within two years after the date of such unfavorable action except with the consent of all of the members of the Planning Board.

(on request of the Planning Board)

Moved by John Alexander that the Town vote to accept and adopt the following proposed change in the Town of Provincetown Zoning By-law as amended:

Paragraph 2 of Section VII, Administration, the following subparagraph shall be inserted at the end of Paragraph 2:

In accordance with Section 20 of Chapter 40A of the General Laws as amended, no appeal or petition under paragraph three of section fifteen for a variance from the terms of this By-law with respect to a particular parcel of land or the building thereon, and no application under paragraph two of section fifteen for a special

exception to the terms of this By-law, which has been unfavorably acted upon by the Board of Appeals shall be considered on its merits by said Board within two years after the date of such unfavorable action except with the consent of all of the members of the Planning Board.

Standing vote 90 NO to 0 YES. Motion not carried.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to name the new access road from Bradford Street to the State Highway "Hell Town Road". (on request of the Planning Board)

Moved by John Van Arsdale that the Town vote to name the new access road from Bradford Street to the State Highway "Hell Town Road."

Motion not carried.

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to name the new access road from Bradford Street to the State Highway "Shank Painter Road." (on request of the Planning Board)

Moved by John Van Arsdale that the Town vote to name or rename the new access road from Bradford Street to the State Highway "Shank Painter Road."

Motion carried.

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-laws to restrict parking on Commercial Street from December 1 to March 1 to facilitate snow removal operations upon due warning of snow storms. (on request of the Selectmen)

Moved by Francis Santos that this article be indefinitely postponed for further study.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of Chapter 111 Section 218 of the General Laws as amended by Chapter 468 of the Acts of 1943 and Chapter 631 of the Acts of 1947 which establishes minimum standards of fitness for human habitation. (on request of the Health Department)

Moved by J. Darrow Adams that Article 48 be indefinitely postponed.

Motion carried.

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following By-law:
No person or persons shall be employed in the serving of food or in any place of business where he or she comes in contact with person or persons unless they have a medical certificate showing that he or she is free from any communicable disease. Every proprietor shall see that all his employees have been examined and

have given a Medical Certificate showing that he or she has been examined and is free from communicable diseases. This Ruling shall take effect seven days after receipt of said notice.
(on request of the Health Department)

Moved by J. Darrow Adams that the Town vote to adopt the following By-law:

No person or persons shall accept employment in any establishment wherein they shall be engaged wholly or in part in the business of producing, manufacturing, processing or offering for sale any beverage or article of food unless such person or persons shall have first acquired a current medical certificate in a form to be prescribed by the Board of Health certifying such person or persons to have been examined and to have been found free from any communicable disease; nor shall any employer or other person owning or having actual control or management of such establishment employ any such person without such medical certificate.

Motion carried.

Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200 for maintaining and improving the Town Hall grounds.
(on request of the Selectmen and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Frank Henderson that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$200 for maintaining and improving the Town Hall grounds.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700 for the application of one coat of oil to maintain the surface of the Grace Hall property.
(on request of the School Committee and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Herbert Mayo that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700 for the application of one coat of oil to maintain the surface of the Grace Hall property.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 52. To see if the Town will accept Railroad Avenue, from Conwell Street to the junction of Center Street, and Railroad Property, and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,000 for surfacing and drainage of same.
(on request of Fred W. Rogers and others and recommended by the Finance Committee)

Moved by Fred Rogers that action on this Article be postponed until the next Special Town Meeting.

Motion carried.

Article 53. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Available Funds in the Treasury for use by the Board of Assessors toward the reduction of the 1956 Tax Rate.
(on request of the Selectmen)

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to appropriate the sum of \$40,000 from available funds in the Treasury for use by the Board of Assessors toward the reduction of the 1956 Tax Rate; \$10,000.00 from Overlay Surplus and \$30,000 from E & D.

Motion carried.

Article 54. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following By-law as authorized by Section 5 of Article 1 of the By-laws of the Town of Provincetown approved in 1954 said By-law if adopted to be known as Section 1 of Article 5 therein.

a) The removal of sand from the limits of the Town of Provincetown shall first require a permit from the Selectmen. No such permit shall be considered until a written application therefor is received and acted upon by the Selectmen after public hearing thereon at which hearing evidence will be received from any citizen who is a qualified voter. Notice of such hearing shall be published not less than two (2) weeks before said hearing and the Selectmen shall render their decision in writing with reasons for granting or for refusing such application, and file the same with the Town Clerk and send a copy thereof to applicant.

b) Any permit granted under "a" above for the removal of sand in carload lots, or truckload lots, or otherwise where the purpose of such removal is to give, or sell, or trade such sand for use outside the limits of the Town of Provincetown if the applicant is engaged in the business of giving, selling, or trading sand; and any permit to a person or firm not so engaged, shall be limited to embrace a single transaction by the applicant not to involve more than a single carload lot or its equivalent in weight.

c) Nothing in this section shall prevent the removal of sand within the limits of the Town of Provincetown, however great in quantity, provided it is to be used wholly within said Town for the construction or repair of buildings and structures, or additions thereto, or for the building of roads, or repair thereof, or for grading and landscaping, or for the making of public or private improvements, or for any industrial use provided the product made or manufactured from said sand is made or manufactured in Provincetown before being shipped outside of Provincetown.

d) Whoever violates any provision of this Section shall be fined, for each offense, the sum of One Hundred (\$100) Dollars, and Twenty

(\$20) Dollar penalty set forth in Sec. 1 of Article I. (on request of the Selectmen)

Moved by Frank Henderson that the Town vote to adopt the following By-law as authorized by Section 5 of Article 1 of the By-laws of the Town of Provincetown approved in 1954 said By-law, if adopted, to be known as Section 1 of Article 5 therein.

a) The removal of sand from the limits of the Town of Provincetown shall first require a permit from the Selectmen. No such permit shall be considered until a written application therefor is received and acted upon by the Selectmen after public hearing thereon at which hearing evidence will be received from any citizen who is a qualified voter. Notice of such hearing shall be published not less than two (2) weeks before said hearing and the Selectmen shall render their decision in writing with the Town Clerk and send a copy to the applicant.

b) No permit under (a) above for the removing of sand in carload lots, or truckload lots, or otherwise where the purpose of such removal is to give, sell, or trade such sand for use outside the limits of the Town of Provincetown shall be granted if the applicant is engaged in the business of giving, selling or trading sand; and any permit to a person or firm not so engaged, shall be limited to embrace a single transaction by the applicant not to involve more than a single carload lot or its equivalent in weight.

c) Nothing in this section shall prevent the removal of sand within the limits of the Town of Provincetown, however great in quantity, provided it is to be used wholly within said Town for the construction or repair of buildings and structures, or additions thereto, or the building of roads, or repair thereof, or for grading and landscaping, or for the making of public or private improvements, or for any industrial use provided the product made or manufactured from said sand is made or manufactured in Provincetown before being shipped outside of Provincetown.

d) Violation of this By-law is provided in the General Law 40, Section 21, Item 17, Viz: First offence \$50; second offence \$100, and for each subsequent offence \$200.00.

Motion not carried.

Article 55. To see if the Town will vote to amend that part of the Zoning By-law under Sec. I, Establishment of District, Sub. Sec. I, Classes of Districts, in order that the zoning map be amended by including in the business district that area on the southerly side of Commercial Street beginning at the easterly end of the present business district on Commercial Street at Bangs Street and extending in an easterly direction to a point opposite the easterly side of Howland Street. (on request of Duncan B. Bryant and others)

Moved by Duncan Bryant that the Town vote to amend that part of the Zoning By-law under Sec. I, Establishment of Districts, Sub. Sec. I, Classes of Districts, in order that the zoning map be amended by including in the business district that area on the southerly side of Commercial Street at Bangs Street and extending in an easterly direction to a point opposite the easterly side of Howland Street.

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

In accordance with Section 6 of Chapter 40A of the General Laws, as amended, the Town of Provincetown Planning Board hereby submits its final report and recommendations with respect to the proposed amendment to the Zoning By-law contained in Article 55 of the present Town Warrant.

The Planning Board, after due notice, conducted a public hearing on this proposed amendment Friday, March 9, 1956 at 8:00 P. M. Considerable objection was registered to the proposed change in its published form. In addition the Planning Board received numerous protests in the form of letters and telegrams.

Consistently throughout the protests, however, there was little or no objection to the recognized aim of the amendment, namely authority for the petitioner to construct a motel on land presently owned by him in this area. The Planning Board, at this time, would also like to go on record as approving and favoring the construction of the proposed motel. It does not, however, feel that adoption of this Article in its published form is necessary to accomplish this objective.

There are many residents between Bangs Street and Howland Street who deserve protection from the reclassification of district here from residential to business use. The objections of these residents must be considered. The Planning Board sees no reason why the expansion of the present business districts should be any greater than necessary to accomplish the recognized objective of this article.

On the other hand, the 238 foot distance from the present easterly end of the business district on the south side of Commercial Street to the easterly bound of the petitioner is entirely commercial in nature. It appears to the Planning Board that no hardship or injustice would be inflicted upon residents of this area by extending the present commercial district on the south side of Commercial Street from Bangs Street in an easterly direction 238 feet more or less to the easterly bound of the petitioner. The Planning Board feels that the Town can take this step in full confidence that it is not participating in spot zoning, as this is merely an expansion of an existing area in recognition of existing uses.

The Planning Board therefore recommends adoption of a substitute motion to this affect.

Respectfully submitted,

Town of Provincetown Planning Board
John C. Van Arsdale, Acting Chairman
John J. Alexander, Acting Secretary
George A. Baker, Member
Matthew J. Costa, Member

In accordance with the report of the Planning Board Mr. Van Arsdale offered the following substitute motion:

Moved that the Town vote to amend that part of the Town of Provincetown Zoning By-law under Section I, Establishment of Districts, Sub-section 1, Classes of Districts, as amended, in order that the zoning map be further amended by including in the business districts that area on the southerly side of Commercial Street beginning at the easterly end of the present business district on Commercial Street at Bangs Street and extending in an easterly direction 238 feet more or less to the easterly bound of the property of Duncan B. and Marie L. Bryant.

Mr. Bryant withdrew his motion in favor of the substitute motion.

Substitute motion carried unanimously.

Article 56. To see if the Town will vote to accept a parcel of land to be donated by the Provincetown Art Association for the widening of Bangs Street at the intersection of Commercial Street. (on request of the Selectmen)

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to accept a parcel of land to be donated by the Provincetown Art Association for the widening of Bangs Street at the intersection of Commercial Street.

Motion carried.

Moved by Irving Rogers that this meeting be adjourned until Monday the 19th day of March, 1956, when Article 57 will be taken up to choose the Town Officers for the positions designated on one ballot.

Polling to take place in Caucus Hall at eleven o'clock in the forenoon and the polls to remain open until seven o'clock P. M. for the election of Town officers.

After counting the ballots and official reading thereof by the Moderator this Meeting will be automatically dissolved.

Motion carried.

March 19, 1956

The Moderator opened the meeting at 11 A. M.

The Moderator declared the polls open.

Election Officers: Mabel Stillings, Thomas Francis, Warren C. Silva, William J. McCaffrey, Clifton Crawley, Josephine Mitchell, Marjorie Roza, Richard A. Jennings, Warren Alexander and Francis Steele.

The tellers were supplied with lists of the registered voters of the Town, the ballot box was shown to be empty, and the key was delivered to the Chief of Police, William N. Rogers.

The first fifty ballots were taken from the ballot box at 11:28 A. M., and at seven P. M. the polls were closed, 327 ballots having been cast, 9 being absent voters.

The votes were counted and recorded. The result of the election was read by the Moderator as follows:

Moderator, one year	
Francis J. Steele	304
Selectmen, three years	
Francis A. Santos	263
Joseph S. Bent	165
Gabriel Fratus	44
William W. McKellar	141
School Committee, one year	
Raymond W. Souza	287
School Committee, two years	
Wesley G. Felton	280
School Committee, three years	
Herbert F. Mayo	294
George J. Silva	268

The meeting was automatically dissolved after this reading in conformance with the motion made and carried on March 13 by Irving Rogers.

Special Town Meeting

Friday, July 13, 1956 at 7:30 P. M.

The Moderator called the meeting to order at 8:30 P. M.

Moved by Frank Henderson to waive the reading of the Warrant.

Motion carried unanimously.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds in the treasury the sum of \$5,500 to be used as the Town's share of the cost of approximately \$11,000 worth of building changes and improvements at the new Town Wharf, the balance of the cost to be paid by the State. (on request of the Selectmen)

Moved by Joseph Bent that the Town vote to appropriate from available funds in the treasury the sum of \$5,500 to be used as the Town's share of the cost of approximately \$11,000 worth of building changes and improvements at the new Town Wharf, the balance of the cost to be paid by the State.

Standing vote 58 YES to 2 NO. Motion carried.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a gift the sum of \$5,000 from Whitehead Brothers, Inc., to be used for the conversion of the Town Infirmary (so-called) to a Public Medical Institution. (on request of the Selectmen)

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to accept as a gift the sum of \$5,000 from Whitehead Brothers, Inc., to be used for the conversion of the Town Infirmary (so-called) to a Public Medical Institution.

Standing vote of 64 YES to 2 NO. Motion carried.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds in the treasury the sum of \$12,500 to be used for the purchase of the property owned by Thomas A. Francis at 363 Commercial Street for use as a public parking lot. (on request of Manuel P. Dutra.)

Moved by Manuel P. Dutra that the Town vote to appropriate from available funds in the treasury the sum of \$12,500 to be used for the purchase of the property owned by Thomas A. Francis at 363 Commercial Street for use as a public parking lot.

Standing vote 62 YES to 0 NO. Motion carried.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to lease for one year for use as a public parking lot the property of Thomas A. Francis at 363 Commercial Street, and appropriate by transfer from available funds in the treasury the sum of \$1,000.00. (on request of the Selectmen)

Moved by Mr. Henderson that Article 4 be indefinitely postponed.

Motion carried.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate from available funds in the treasury the sum of \$2,500 to be used for repairing Fire Department Pumper No. 1 and purchasing new Fire Department equipment. (on request of Fire Chief)

Moved by Manuel White that the Town vote to appropriate from available funds in the treasury the sum of \$2,500 to be used for repairing Fire Department Pumper No. 1 and purchasing new Fire Department equipment.

Standing vote 72 YES to 9 NO. Motion carried.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to accept the layout of Railroad Avenue. (on request of the Selectmen)

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to accept the layout of Railroad Avenue commencing at a cement bound on the southwesterly side of Conwell Street, at the northeasterly corner of the land of Albert S. Silva thence running S. 71°-32'-20" W by the land of the said Albert S. Silva and across the end of a twenty foot private way 83.06 feet to a cement bound at the northeasterly corner of the land of the Pilgrim Fish Corporation; thence turning and running S71°-54'-00" W by the land of the said Pilgrim Fish Corporation 81.00 feet to a cement bound at the northeasterly corner of the land of the heirs of Mary Amelia Costa; thence turning and running S72°-15'-40" W by the land of the said heirs of Mary Amelia Costa 84.79 feet to the land of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company.

Motion carried.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to accept the gift of an anonymous donor of a striking mechanism for the Town Hall tower clock. (on request of the Selectmen)

Moved by Francis Santos that the Town vote to accept the gift of an anonymous donor of a striking mechanism for the Town Hall tower clock.

Motion carried.

Moved by Irving Rogers that meeting be dissolved.

Motion carried.

Meeting dissolved at 9:20 P. M.

**WILLIAM J. McCAFFREY
Town Clerk**

State Primary

Tuesday, April 24, 1956

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Provincetown

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in Caucus Hall, Town Hall, Tuesday, the Twenty-fourth Day of April, 1956 at one o'clock P. M., for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Election of Candidates of Political parties for the following offices:

- 10 Delegates At Large to the National Convention of the Republican Party.
- 10 Alternate Delegates At Large to the National Convention of the Republican Party.
- 24 Delegates At Large to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.
- 24 Alternate Delegates At Large to the National Convention of the Democratic Party.
- 2 District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party 9th Congressional district.
- 2 Alternate District Delegates to the National Convention of the Republican Party 9th Congressional district.
- 4 District Delegates to the National Convention of the Democratic Party 9th Congressional district.
- 2 Alternate District Delegates to the National Convention of the Democratic Party 9th Congressional district.
- District members of state committee—(one man and one woman) from each political party for the ninth Senatorial district.
- 24 Members of the Republican Town Committee.
- 10 Members of the Democratic Town Committee.
- Presidential Preference.

The polls will be open from 1 P. M. to 5 P. M.

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

Given under our hands this 17th day of April, A. D., 1956.

FRANCIS A. SANTOS
JOSEPH LEMA, JR.
JOSEPH T. FERREIRA
FRANK D. HENDERSON
JOSEPH S. BENT

Selectmen of Provincetown

A true copy.

Attest: Constable.

17 April 1956.

The within Warrant was posted accordingly.

Attest: Town Clerk

In pursuance of the foregoing Warrant the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met at the Town Hall in said town on Tuesday the Twenty-fourth day of April in the year 1956, and were called to order at 1 p. m. The following election officers were sworn in: Richard A. Jennings, Warren Alexander, Clifton Crawley, Mabel Stillings, Thomas Francis, and Warren C. Silva. The register of the ballot box was set at 0, then locked and the keys delivered to Chief of Police William N. Rogers. The tellers were supplied with lists of registered voters and the polls were declared open at 1 P. M., the polls were closed at 5 P. M., 80 Republican and 27 Democratic ballots having been cast, these were counted by the officers and the following declared as the result:

REPUBLICAN PARTY

Delegates at Large to National Convention	
Christian A. Herter—Causeway Street, Millis	74
Leverett Saltonstall—Smith Street, Dover	76
Joseph W. Martin, Jr.—54 Grove Street, North Attleboro	72
Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr.—275 Hale Street, Beverly	74
Sinclair Weeks—15 Arlington Street, Boston	61
Elmer C. Nelson—Miscoe Road, Mendon	64
Ralph H. Bonnell—81 Arlington Street, Winchester	58
Esther W. Wheeler—105 Summer Street, Malden	59
Robert F. Bradford—106 Coolidge Hill, Cambridge	65
Thomas Pappas—323 March Street, Belmont	58

Alternate Delegates at Large to National Convention	
Basil Brewer—89 Hawthorne Street, New Bedford	64
Bruce Crane—45 Main Street, Dalton	58
Katherine G. Howard—186 Summer Avenue, Reading	59
Charles J. Innes—197 Bay State Road, Boston	58
Daniel J. Lynch—18 Louise Road, Belmont	59
Maxwell M. Rabb—73 Green Street, Brookline	58

Richard F. Treadway—Sturbridge	58
John A. Volpe—10 Everett Avenue—Winchester	67
William W. White—235 Pleasant Street, Worcester	60
Sumner G. Whittier—103 Linden Street, Everett	70
District Delegates to National Convention	
Charles J. Gabriel—179 Main Street, Hingham	62
Raymond Tschaen—132 Aquidneck Street, New Bedford	64
Alternate Delegates to National Convention (District)	
Alma C. Wheatley—80 Ashland Street, Abington	61
Constance C. Hopkins—Hatchville Road, Falmouth	67
State Committee	
Robert H. Counsell—144 Winter Street, Barnstable	48
Richard H. Hopkins—Hatchville Road, Falmouth	16
State Committee	
Elizabeth U. Nickerson—Peterson Road, Duxbury	61
Town Committee	
Helen S. Allen—166 Commercial Street	67
Sivert J. Benson—192 Bradford Street	68
Duncan B. Bryant—129A Bradford Street	68
Marion B. Cooper—2 Commercial Street	63
Ernest L. Carreiro—31 Bradford Street	65
Henry B. Fisk—9 Johnson Street	66
Domingo Godinho—355 Commercial Street	66
William Gordon—34 Bradford Street	63
Frank D. Henderson—579 Commercial Street	65
Richard A. Jennings—376 Commercial Street	63
Eileen A. Kelley—584 Commercial Street	65
Burton Kenney—8 Pleasant Street	68
John I. King—47 Pleasant Street	67
Joseph Lema, Jr.—10 Cudworth Street	66
Joseph E. Macara—341 Commercial Street	62
Bernice L. Mayo—572 Commercial Street	67
Herbert F. Mayo—610 Commercial Street	67
James Matenos—212 Commercial Street	65
Edith H. Paul—19 Center Street	64
John F. Rosenthal—216 Commercial Street	69
Mary J. Salvador—5 Dyer Street	64
John I. Shaw—491 Commercial Street	63
Mabel W. Stillings—6 Law Street	68
Mary S. Tarvers—178 Bradford Street	65
Presidential Preference	
Eisenhower	55
DEMOCRATIC PARTY	
Delegates for National Convention	
John F. Kennedy—122 Dowdoin Street, Boston	27
Paul A. Dever—86 Buckingham Street, Cambridge	25

John W. McCormack—726 Columbus Road, Boston	23
John B. Hynes—31 Druid Street, Boston	24
William H. Burke, Jr.—70 Main Street Hatfield	22
James M. Curley—350 Jamaicaway, Boston	22
Margaret M. O'Riordan—7 Lakeville Road, Boston	24
Thomas J. Buckley—21 Pinckney Street, Boston	20
Edward J. Cronin—13 Pine Crest Avenue, Peabody	22
John E. Powers—158 M Street, Boston	22
Michael F. Skerry—110 Sheridan Avenue, Medford	22
Albert S. Previte, Jr.—20 Greenwood Street, Lawrence	21
John A. Callahan—17 Kenwood Place, Lawrence	21
J. William Belanger—2 Lillie Way, Boston	20
Daniel Rudsten—23 Angell Street, Boston	22
Ida R. Lyons—21 Shelton Road, Quincy	21
Garrett H. Byrne—52 Racoma Street, Boston	21
Daniel B. Brunton—29 Kendall Street, Springfield	21
James D. O'Brien—4 Hawthorne Street, Worcester	22
John F. Kane—80 Freedon Street, Fall River	20
Howard W. Fitzpatrick—100 Maple Street, Malden	21
John S. Begley—229 Cabot Street, Holyoke	20
James J. Corbett—55 Stone Avenue, Somerville	20
Jackson J. Holtz—72 Sumner Road, Brookline	20
Alternate Delegates for National Convention	
Joseph A. DeGuglielmo—24 Arlington Street, Cambridge	21
J. Henry Goguen—163 7th Street, Leominster	20
Chester A. Dolan, Jr.—20 Zamora Street, Boston	21
Michael LoPresti—30 Shawsheen Road, Boston	21
Peter J. Rzeznikiewicz—50 Park Street, Ware	21
Francis E. Lavigne—18 Yarmouth Avenue, Brockton	21
Salvatore Camileo—227 Brighton Street, Belmont	20
Leonard J. Warner—194 Western Avenue, Westfield	19
Silas F. Taylor—28 Warwick Street, Boston	20
Mary A. Tomasello—95 Bow Road, Belmont	20
Hugh J. McLaughlin—67 Bellingham Street, Chelsea	19
Doris M. Racicot—192 Chapin Street, Southbridge	20
Anna Sullivan—35 Hitchcock Street, Holyoke	20
Mary DePasquale Murray—19 Grant Street, Milford	20
Charles N. Collatos—169 Cedar Avenue, Arlington	19
Anthony M. Scibelli—200 Maple Street, Springfield	20
Matthew L. McGrath, Jr.—551 VFW Parkway, Boston	19
Joseph Garcynski, Jr.—22 Lyman Road, Chicopee	20
Edward Krock—R.F.D. No. 1, Brookfield	19
James R. Carter—51 Basswood Street, Lawrence	19
Thomas J. Hannon—3 Monadnock Street, Boston	19
Harry L. Silva—151 Columbia Road, Boston	19
Jean S. LeCompte—125 Jackson Street, Newton	20
John F. Cahill—405 Marlborough Street, Boston	19

District Delegates to National Convention	
Helen L. Buckley—198 Centre Avenue, Abington	24
Francis J. Lawler—203 Clifford Street, New Bedford	23
Edmund Dinis—29 Arnold Place, New Bedford	23
Theophile Jean DesRoches—214 Tinkham Street, New Bedford	20
Alternate Delegates (District) to National Convention	
Godfroid Frank Grenier—198 Clifford Street, New Bedford	1
John B. Nunes—30 Jarry Street, New Bedford	3
Joseph A. Sylvia, Jr.—333 Dartmouth Street, New Bedford	6
State Committee	
Thomas S. Callahan—15 Newfield Street, Plymouth	12
Thomas F. Quinn—17 Marjorie Street, Plymouth	6
Daniel L. Sullivan—395 Washington Street, Whitman	7
State Committee	
Mary M. Crowley—139 Stetson Street, Whitman	16
Nancy A. Ward—10 Bay Path Road, Kingston	8
Town Committee	
Frank H. Barnett—164 Commercial Street	21
Thomas Francis—345A Commercial Street	24
John C. Snow—7 Carver Street	24
Frank S. Bent—15 Race Road	23
Francis H. Marshall—283 Commercial Street	24
Thomas F. Perry—140 Bradford Street	21
Kathleen M. Perry—140 Bradford Street	20
Warren A. Alexander—224 Bradford Street	23
George N. Snow—7 Race Road	23
Leo C. Mitchell—28 Mechanic Street	19
Presidential Preference	
Adlai Stevenson	11
Estes Kefauver	2
John McCormack	7
Eisenhower	1

State Primary

Tuesday, September 18, 1956

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Provincetown

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in Caucus Hall at the Town Hall, Provincetown, Tuesday, the Eighteenth Day of September, 1956 at 12:00 o'clock noon, for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:

GOVERNOR for this Commonwealth

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR for this Commonwealth

SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH for this Commonwealth

TREASURER AND RECEIVER-GENERAL for this Commonwealth

AUDITOR OF THE COMMONWEALTH for this Commonwealth

ATTORNEY GENERAL for this Commonwealth

REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS for 9th Congressional District

COUNCILLOR for 1st Councillor District

SENATOR for Cape Senatorial District

1 REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT for 2nd Barnstable Representative District

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (2) for Barnstable County

SHERIFF for Barnstable County

CLERK OF COURTS for Barnstable County

The polls will be open from 12 o'clock noon to 6 o'clock P. M.

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

Given under our hands this 1st day of September, A. D. 1956.

FRANCIS A. SANTOS

JOSEPH T. FERREIRA

FRANK D. HENDERSON

JOSEPH LEMA, JR.

JOSEPH S. BENT

Selectmen of Provincetown

A true copy Attest:

JOSEPH A. ROGERS, Constable

September 1, 1956

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the manner prescribed by the By-Laws of the Town of Provincetown, I have served the warrants for the State Primary to be held on Tuesday, September 18, 1956, by posting attested copies in the stores of: Marion Perry, Joseph K. Perry, William Gordon, B. H. Dyer Co., U. S. Post Office, Archie's Pharmacy, Inc., Adams' Pharmacy, Inc., Cutler's Pharmacy, Inc., Chamber of Commerce Building, Duncan Bryant, John A. Francis, John I. Shaw, Lands End Marine Supply, Inc.

JOSEPH A. ROGERS, Constable

Attest: Town Clerk

In pursuance of the foregoing Warrant the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met at the Town Hall in said town on Tuesday the Eighteenth day of September in the year 1956, and were called to order at noon. The following election officers were sworn in: Richard A. Jennings, Clifton Crawley, Warren Alexander, Mabel Stillings, Thomas Francis and Warren C. Silva. The register of the ballot box was set at 0, then locked and the keys delivered to Chief of Police William N. Rogers. The tellers were supplied with lists of registered voters and the polls were declared open at noon; the polls were closed at 6 P. M., 180 Republican and 105 Democratic ballots having been cast; these were counted by the officers and the following declared as the result:

REPUBLICAN PARTY

Governor		
Sumner G. Whittier—103 Linden Street, Everett	168	
Lieutenant Governor		
Charles Gibbons—53 Oak Street, Stoneham	168	
Secretary		
Richard I. Furbush—436 Waverly Oaks Road, Waltham	166	
Treasurer		
Robert H. Beaudreau—Hosmer Street, Marlborough	167	
Auditor		
Joseph A. Nobile—914 Beacon Street, Boston	163	
Attorney General		
George Fingold—37 Lowell Road, Concord	170	
Congressman, Ninth District		
Donald W. Nicholson—12 Highland Road, Wareham	147	
Hastings Keith—91 River Street, West Bridgewater	26	
Councillor, First District		
William E. Hall 54—Clara Street, New Bedford	45	
Malcolm Jones—291 Brownell Avenue, New Bedford	16	
Frankland W. L. Miles—Rocky Hill Road, Plymouth	81	
J. Roger Sisson—159 Brayton Avenue, Somerset	23	

Senator		
Edward C. Stone—P. O. Box H, Osterville, Barnstable	176	
Representative in General Court		
Harry B. Albro—Main Street, Harwich	33	
John R. Dyer, Jr.—North Pamet Road, Truro	95	
David B. Lane, Jr.—Upper County Road, Dennis	45	
County Commissioners		
H. Heyworth Backus—Wequakuet Heights, Barnstable	137	
William J. Lockhart—249 Palmer Avenue, Falmouth	138	
Sheriff		
Donald P. Tulloch—Main Street, Barnstable	173	
Clerk of Courts		
George L. Cross—8 Highland Street, Barnstable	66	
Barbara Holmes Neil—Main Street, Barnstable	108	
DEMOCRATIC PARTY		
Governor		
Foster Furcolo—812 Longmeadow Street, Longmeadow	59	
Thomas H. Burkley—198 Centre Avenue, Abington	40	
Lieutenant Governor		
Robert F. Murphy—90 West Border Road, Malden	69	
James A. Burke—91 Rockdale Street, Boston	15	
George A. Wells—59 Clark Street, Worcester	10	
Secretary		
Edward J. Cronin—13 Pinecrest Avenue, Peabody	83	
Robert Emmet Dinsmore—113 Bunker Hill Street, Boston	9	
Treasurer		
Clement A. Riley—132 Berwick Place, Norwood	30	
John F. Kennedy—2222 Washington Street, Boston	38	
John F. Buckley—41 Chestnut Street, Boston	14	
Henry Joseph Hurley—55 Dakota Street, Boston	6	
John M. Kennedy—60 Radcliffe Street, Boston	6	
Auditor		
Thomas J. Buckley—21 Pinckney Street, Boston	92	
Attorney General		
Joseph D. Ward—29 Allston Place, Fitchburg	52	
Edward J. McCormack, Jr.—1110 Morton Street, Boston	49	
Congressman		
William McAuliffe—731 County Street, New Bedford	11	
John C. Snow—7 Carver Street, Provincetown	92	
Councillor		
Antone C. Barboza, Jr.—390 Hemlock Street, Dartmouth	12	
Joseph P. Dupont—308 County Street, New Bedford	38	
Francis W. Harrington—496 Mount Pleasant Street, Fall River	19	
Leo P. Soares—152 America Street, Fall River	9	
David D. Talbot—38 Freedom Street, Fall River	10	

Senator	
George Correa—Fairhaven Road, Mattapoisett	62
Anthony R. Francis—Old Colony Road, Truro	32
Representative in General Court	
Frank H. Barnett, 164 Commercial Street, Provincetown	76
Walter W. Gilmore—Pleasant Lake Avenue, Harwich	21

WILLIAM J. McCAFFREY,
Town Clerk

Presidential and State Election

Tuesday, November 6, 1956

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Barnstable, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Provincetown
in the County of Barnstable

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said Town on Tuesday, the 6th day of November next, at 12 o'clock noon, then and there to act on the following articles:—

To bring in their votes for Presidential Electors; Governor; Lieutenant Governor; Secretary; Treasurer; Auditor; Attorney-General; Senator in Congress; Representative in Congress (Ninth District); Councillor (First District); Senator (Cape and Plymouth District); Representative in General Court (Second Barnstable District); Clerk of Court (Barnstable County); County Commissioners (2 Barnstable County); Sheriff.

To vote on a Question, mark a cross X in the square at the right of
YES or NO

Question No. 1

A. Shall licenses be granted in the town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)?

YES	
NO	

B. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages)?

YES	
NO	

C. Shall licenses be granted in this town for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not be drunk on the premises?

YES	
NO	

The polls will open at 12 o'clock noon and remain open until 7 P. M. And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting up attested copies thereof at Perry's Market, Manuel Peters', Tip-for-Tops'n Restaurant, Cabral's Market, Allen & Allen, Inc., B. H. Dyer Co., U. S. Post Office, Adams' Pharmacy, Archie's Pharmacy, Cutler's Pharmacy, Bryant's Market, Tillie's Store, Chamber of Commerce, Fisherman's Market, K. of C. Building, in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this Warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of meeting, as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-six.

FRANCIS A. SANTOS
JOSEPH T. FERREIRA
FRANK D. HENDERSON
JOSEPH LEMA, JR.
JOSEPH S. BENT
Selectmen of Provincetown

A true copy. Attest:
JOSEPH A. ROGERS, Constable.

Attest: Town Clerk

In pursuance of the foregoing Warrant the inhabitants of the Town of Provincetown qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met at the Town Hall in said town on Tuesday the Sixth day of November in the year 1956, and were called to order at noon. The following election officers were sworn in: Thomas Francis, Warren Silva, Mabel Stillings, William J. McCaffrey, Matilda Montgomery, Richard Jennings, Josephine Mitchell, Vilena Woods, Clifford Taylor, Clifton Crawley, Warren Alexander, Arthur Patrick, John Patrick, John Fields, Jr. The register of the ballot box was set at 0, then locked and the keys delivered to Chief of Police William N. Rogers. The tellers were supplied with lists of registered voters and the polls were declared open at noon; the polls were closed at 6 P. M. The first block was counted at 12:13 P. M. 1575 ballots having been cast, these were counted by the officers and the following declared as the result:—

ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT	
Eisenhower and Nixon—Republican	1115
Hass and Cozzini—Socialist Labor	4
Holtwick and Cooper—Prohibition	4
Stevenson and Kefauver—Democratic	434
GOVERNOR	
Foster Furcolo, of Longmeadow—Democratic	655
Sumner G. Whittier, of Everett—Republican	898
Henning A. Blomen, of Somerville—Socialist Labor	7
Mark R. Shaw, of Melrose—Prohibition	2
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR	
Charles Gibbons, of Stoneham—Republican	894
Robert F. Murphy, of Malden—Democratic	633
Harold E. Bassett, of Clinton—Prohibition	2
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A. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages)?	968 YES 233 NO
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C. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises?	993 YES 189 NO

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