

This is your City



BANGOR, MAINE

1958

ANNUAL REPORT

In proportion as the
structure of a
government gives
force to public
opinion, it is
essential that public
opinion should be
enlightened.

George Washington
1796

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1958

A YEAR OF PROGRESS

- Closed Year with Unappropriated Surplus of \$187,363.
 - Reduced Long-Term Debt \$182,500.
 - Adopted Urban Renewal Act.
 - Received Final Approval on Capehart School.
 - Added New Commercial Buildings Valued at \$650,000.
 - Aquired Land for Fourteenth Street School.
 - Added Eight Bed Spaces and Recreational Facilities at City Hospital.
 - Installed New Public Works Cost Accounting System.
 - Purchased and Constructed New Asphalt Plant.
 - Opened New Playground in Kenduskeag Gardens.

Your City Council Reports

1958 Expenditures:

Operating	\$5,401.31
Capital	29.40



1958 BANGOR CITY COUNCIL

Seated Left to Right: Charles Higgins, John Barry, John Carney, Carl Blaisdell, Galen Cole, Chairman, Edward Gross, Carl Delano, Clifford Bailey, E. Earle Brown, Jr.

To the Citizens of Bangor:

The year 1958 saw more outward changes take place in Bangor than ever before in its history. Construction on the Interstate Highway was well underway as Bangor received the first contract in the State because of a progressive Planning Department, which had a proposed plan ready when Federal and State money became available; the Capehart housing consisting of 530 units was under construction; the Bomarc Missile site; the completion of the new multi-million dollar runway at Dow Field; new modern buildings replacing dilapidated frame structures in downtown Bangor; as well as many new warehouses in our Industrial Park; and the virtual completion of the Main Street Interstate Bypass. All of these projects required close cooperation between the Federal, State and local government. The construction of a new upland water supply was started during the year. The city disposed of various surplus property with the purpose of returning to the tax rolls idle property, which if continued over the years, will help broaden the tax base. The Kenduskeag Stream parking project was voted down by the citizens but a serious parking need still exists, and something must be done soon to alleviate this problem to insure Bangor's continued prosperity. The school problem was followed closely and progress was made with a new Wilson Report, by the purchase of land, and preliminary architectural drawings for a new elementary school on Fourteenth Street. Also the Council voted to proceed with a new high school building, and though this project did not progress as fast as many had hoped, the studies have now been completed and construction should be underway in 1959. The Industrial Park sewer was nearly completed and already a demand has been created for land in this development.

During the year, Bangor received assurance of an urban renewal grant from the Federal Government. An Urban Renewal Authority was appointed by the Council and progressive results should be forthcoming with new buildings replacing delapidated ones in run down areas.

1958 saw plans completed for Bangor's 125th Quarter-Centennial celebration to take place during 1959, which was supported by your City Council, Bangor businessmen, and citizens.

Faced with the largest proposed budget in history, the City Council spent an unprecedented amount of time in its budget discussions, at all times trying to give the citizens what they wanted at a price they could afford to pay.

The Council members, while not always sharing the same views, were at all times cooperative, an attitude which is necessary if the city is to receive full benefit of its elected representatives.

In the future, there is much new development planned, including two new shopping centers, progressive steps toward helping to keep Bangor the shopping and distribution center of eastern and northern Maine.

In 1958, as in other years, we have been fortunate to have dedicated men and women at all levels of city activity. It will always be a fond memory to have had the privilege to serve on the Bangor City Council. I hope I have added a bit to the growth and well being of our fine city.

GALEN L. COLE, Council Chairman

Your City Manager Reports

Employees: 2
1958 Expenditures: \$20,009.32

To the Honorable City Council and Citizens of Bangor:

It is with sincere pleasure that I present this 1958 Annual Report of the City of Bangor covering the 26th year of operation of city government under the Council-Manager plan.

Financial Condition

At the outset of this report, it seems important that you be appraised of the financial condition of the city. Bangor ended the year in a sound financial condition. There was an unappropriated surplus of \$187,362.93 and the city had established general fund reserves of more than \$310,936.90.

As of December 31st, total outstanding debt amounted to \$1,493,000. Of this amount \$961,000 was for school debt, \$449,900 was general debt and \$82,000 was water debt. This, of course, is exclusive of the \$1,166,000 still outstanding for Recreation District debt on the new auditorium.

During 1958, \$182,500 of long-term debt was amortized while no new long-term indebtedness was obligated. For the taxable year 1958, the assessed valuation based on approximately 85% of current replacement value was \$123,095,900. The tax rate for 1958 was \$26.00 per thousand, of which \$25.40 was for city purposes and \$.60 for the Recreation District tax.

1958 Progress

The year 1958 saw substantial progress in many areas of municipal activity.

1. Schools. Final approval was received on the construction of a seventeen room elementary school at the new Capehart Housing Development on Outer Union Street. This will in some measure, relieve the pressure on our elementary school facilities until such time as new personnel are assigned to Dow who will utilize these new facilities.

At the same time, sufficient land was acquired on Fourteenth Street in the rear of the Thirteenth Street school to construct additional elementary facilities. Preliminary plans and sketches were prepared for this facility and it is anticipated that final plans and specifications will be completed early in 1959 and this new building should be out to bid and construction started by the summer of 1959.

With reference to High School facilities, studies were carried out during the latter part of the year to deter-



City Manager, Joseph R. Coupal, Jr.

ine site location for a new high school and the City Council went on record as approving an out-of-the-downtown location rather than the expansion of the downtown facilities. In December of 1958, options were acquired on a forty-five acre tract of land near Prentiss Woods and action will be taken on this matter in early 1959.

2. Parking. Progress on our second most important problem, was not so satisfactory in 1958. A referendum held on the improvement of the Kenduskeag Stream for the addition of 350 parking spaces resulted in this proposition being turned down by a vote of 2,103 for and 2,292 against. In late 1958, alternative parking proposals were under study by the Planning and Engineering Departments and a report will be made early in 1959 to the City Council on this very critical problem.

3. Hospital Expansion. The third phase of the expansion program at the City Hospital was completed with the addition of eight approved bed spaces, the remodeling of the recreation room and the installation of new ceilings in the kitchen and dining room. Also a new boiler and zone heating was installed.

4. Public Works. A substantial amount of new public works construction was carried on in 1958. This included:

a) Street Construction. Hammond Street was completely repaved from Ohio Street to Norway Road and some of the curb was reset. Harlow Street, from Spring Street to beyond Kenduskeag Avenue was completely excavated, a new gravel base installed and the center line shifted to make a better intersection at Kenduskeag Avenue. This project will be completed in 1959.

Thatcher Street was reconstructed from the old terminus to a point to service a new Fox and Ginn warehouse and Hildreth Street was extended to service the new Adams Trucking Company terminal.

b) Sidewalk Construction. The 23,000 feet of sidewalks scheduled for construction by the Public Works Committee were completed by the middle of October.

c) Sewer Construction. The Industrial Park Trunk sewer, the largest one under construction in the city in 1958, was only partially completed and progress has been unsatisfactory. About 8,500 feet have been completed out of a total scheduled 11,500 feet. It is anticipated that this work should be completed early in 1959.

The Fernald Heights Sewer was about 80% complete at the end of the year.

A large portion of the \$80,000 project for sewer relocation in connection with the Interstate Highway System was completed by the end of 1958. This, of course, is 100% reimbursable by the State and Federal governments but it placed a substantial burden on the sewer division during 1958.

Two small extensions to existing sewers were installed during the year including the Hildreth Street extension to service the new bowling alleys, and the Carter Street extension to service new homes moved to that area just off Ohio Street.

d) New Asphalt Plant. The new asphalt plant was purchased and installed early in 1958 and has been very satisfactory. The plant produces an excellent product at low cost, one of the reasons why the paving and sidewalk construction programs were carried out so expeditiously in 1958.

5. Electric Plant. In the Electric Department several important developments took place.

a) The third year of the downtown street lighting program was completed with the installation of 20 new mercury vapor lights on downtown streets.

b) New traffic signals including "Walk and Wait" pedestrian controls were installed on Garland Street as an aid to school pedestrian traffic.

c) Main Street overpass lighting was completed during 1958 in connection with the Interstate Highway spur.

d) New street lighting and sprinkler alarm system were run on the new City Farm Road and a new sprinkler alarm was run out Kenduskeag Avenue to the St. Michael's Home.

e) A large part of the electrical circuit relocation required in connection with the Interstate Highway System was completed during the year.

6. Public Buildings. Considerable progress was witnessed in the public buildings department during 1958. This included:

a) A final decision was reached on the disposition of the Hannibal Hamlin School and this was sold for commercial use during the early fall.

b) City Hall offices were improved and expanded and offices were shifted to provide additional space for many of the departments that had been seriously cramped.

c) At Bass Park, new toilets were installed under the Grandstand, the Pari-mutual area was paved and the bank of the oval was graded making for considerable improvement in this area.

d) The so-called DeCourcy building on Harlow Street, of which the city owned an undivided half, was disposed of by the sale of the city's share to Mr. DeCourcy.

7. Industrial Development. The Industrial Development activities started to pay off in 1958 in increased assessed valuation. Total commercial building permits issued during the year were valued at \$650,000.

In addition, new commercial buildings are planned for construction in 1959.

8. Recreation Department. A new playground was acquired and developed on the east side in the Kenduskeag Garden Homes area during 1958 and the new Recreation Center on Elm Street was dedicated in January 1958.

9. Urban Renewal. The Urban Renewal Act was adopted by the citizens of the city by a margin of more than 4 to 1 and City Council proceeded with an appointment of an Urban Renewal Authority. This Authority is now studying proposed project areas and in 1959 will apply for advance planning grants for surveys for these areas to determine cost of redevelopment and probable redevelopment uses.

10. Public Works Cost Accounting. In October of 1958, the Council authorized the manager to proceed with the installation of a revised cost accounting system in the Public Works Department. It is anticipated that this will eliminate the need for additional personnel in this department for some years to come and simplify cost accounting procedures so that cost data will be available much more rapidly than is now the case.

11. Municipal Revenues. A start was made toward increasing non-tax revenues in the city during 1958. Several of the fees and license schedules were revised by the City Council and other non-tax revenue sources were studied.

LOOKING AHEAD TO '59

As the city approaches its 125th birthday, it faces several major problems which must get immediate attention if the city is to grow and develop as a good community in which to work, live and play. These, somewhat in order of priority established by the administration, are as follows:

1. School Construction. While plans seem to be well underway at both the elementary and high school level for new facilities, the administration urgently recommends that concrete action be taken for the construction of additional elementary facilities on Fourteenth Street and the construction of high school facilities at some location out of the downtown area during 1959.

Good educational facilities are of primary importance for any community and the municipal government provides no more important service than a high level of general education for its youngsters. It must, however, recognize the problems of municipal financing and it is with this in view that the administration recommends a facility out of downtown. This will provide the necessary space for expansion and for outdoor activities around the new school and at the same time, will provide an opportunity to get some of the high value tax exempt property in the downtown area back on the tax rolls. At the same time, it will free 150 parking spaces now utilized by high school students for shopper and employee use. At the current estimated cost of \$2,000 per car space for development of new parking areas, this alone results in a savings to the city of \$300,000.

2. Downtown Redevelopment—Parking. The addition of off-street parking facilities is probably the second most important problem facing the city in 1959. It is imperative, particularly in view of the proposed shopping centers, that the downtown business district move forward rapidly with the development of every convenience to make shopping downtown a pleasure. This includes, primarily, additional convenient off-street parking facilities but nearly as important will be the addition of modern street lighting in the downtown area, reconstruction of concrete sidewalks for shoppers and protection and improvement of our malls and parks in the downtown area.

3. Streets and Traffic. While a substantial amount of improvement has been seen in the conditions of streets in the last few years, these are still wearing out faster than they are being rebuilt and extended. It is imperative that a substantial program of street reconstruction be carried out in 1959 and the administration has recommended the construction of Moses Bridge, as well as the reconstruction of Cedar Street and the reconstruction of Broadway through the Broadway Park area. It is further recommended that \$25,000 be spent on the reconstruction of residential and downtown sidewalks, and that State Street be repaved. It is also recommended that Farm Road Extension be constructed from the present terminus of Farm Road to Thatcher Street in the Industrial area.

Serious consideration should be given to the improvement of roads in the area of and serving Dow Air Force Base. Streets such as Union Street, Ohio Street, Griffin Road, Strickland Road, Davis Road, and the Finson Road have been badly broken up with the heavy construction traffic and will in the future carry considerably heavier traffic loads than has been true in the past. Every attempt is being made to secure Federal and State aid for these reconstruction projects.

4. Hospital Expansion. During 1959, it is planned to remodel and equip twelve bed spaces in the area of the south wing, first floor of the hospital. This would bring the total approved bed capacity up to 77 beds and these additional spaces are vitally needed.

5. Sewers. One of the problems facing the city, that will become more and more burdensome in the near future, is that of sewer extensions. The areas available for residential and commercial expansion are rapidly being used up. Further expansion must await extensions of the city's sewer system and this will be a major problem inasmuch as the area that can be serviced by gravity flow sewers has been pretty much completed. Further sewer development must entail sewage treatment plants or pumping stations. In this regard, the administration recommends:

1. That a comprehensive study be made by a qualified engineering firm to determine the best method of expanding the sewer system in areas not now being served and to determine what action should be taken to correct deficiencies in the existing sewer system.

2. The Industrial Park trunk sewer should be completed in 1959 with the extension of the present terminus on Odlin Road to the Outer Hammond Street commercial development.

3. The extension of the sewer to the Mt. Hope housing development area should be constructed in 1959.

6. Electric Department Improvements. The entire report of Professors Parsons and Crosby of the University of Maine has been adopted by the Administration and \$40,000 has been included in the 1959 budget to implement this report. This contemplates the installation of automatic operation at the substation, the installation of pole-mounted transformers to replace those in the substation and the installation of new primary circuits. Traffic lights, new pedestrian "Walk and Wait" traffic lights should be installed as well as synchronization of the seven downtown intersection locations.

7. Voting Machines. \$50,000 has been recommended for the purchase of voting machines to be financed over a ten year period.

8. New Storage Building. \$25,000 has been included in the Public Works Capital budget for the construction of a new storage building at the rear of the present garage.

Detailed reports for each department and financial statements are found on the following pages.

I should like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to the Bangor City Council for the fine cooperation and help they have given the administration during 1958, and to the department heads and employees of the city for the excellent job they have done in performing the mission of the organization.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH R. COUPAL, JR.

City Manager

City Clerk

Jay E. Alley, City Clerk

No. of Employees	4 1/2
1958 Expenditures	
Operating	\$22,849.55
Capital	129.56

Comparative vital statistics figures for 1958, 1957 and the last ten year average are as follows:

	1958	1957	Last 10 year Average
Births	2,553	2,520	2,204
Deaths	706	763	758
Marriages	417	440	469

The recording of personal property still continues to increase. The total number of recordings for 1958 was 6,213 whereas during 1957, the total was 5,079, and 4,594 for 1956.

There were five elections during the year; first, a State Referendum on March 10, at which time 3,328 votes were cast; on June 16, 4,570 persons voted at the

State Primaries; the regular State election was held on September 8, and the total vote was 8,003; the regular Municipal election of October 13 had a total vote of 4,397; finally a Special Election called by the State, was held on December 15 at which only 1,709 persons voted. The average vote cast for the five elections was 4,400. The number of registered voters in the city is in excess of 13,500. The city's cost of the five elections was \$5,526, which amount is included in the expenditures for this department.

The Council held 24 regular meetings in addition to its organization meeting and several adjourned meetings. The Council considered or acted upon 227 Orders, Ordinances and Resolves in addition to the hundreds of applications and permits.

Finance Department

Jay E. Alley, City Auditor

No. of Employees:	5 1/2
1958 Expenditures:	
Operating	\$ 50,098.20
Capital	60.00

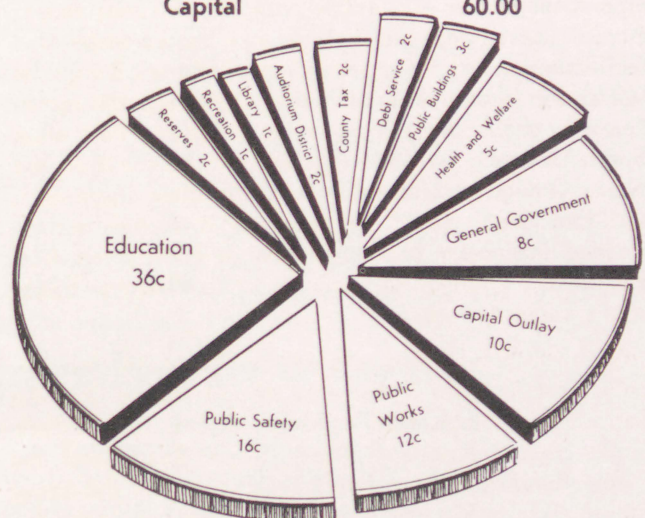
This department consists of five divisions for the convenience of budgeting and reporting, namely; Auditing, Insurance, Trust Fund Beneficiaries, Contributions to Other Agencies, and Tax Agreement of 1911.

The Auditing Division expended \$20,522.16; this division of the Finance Department maintains a general accounting system for the city, prepares payrolls, audits invoices and other work connected with auditing.

The Insurance division expended \$18,161.64 for the usual types of insurance; fire, general liability, workmen's compensation and fleet insurance. This amount represents the expense to the city for all city departments excluding the new auditorium, Hospital and Home and School Department.

The Trust Fund Beneficiaries division expended \$6,908.60 which expense is in connection with the Trust Fund policy of the city.

The Contributions to Other Agencies division is as the name implies; it expended \$2,900 in payments to four other agencies in the city as determined by city policy.



How your 1958 Tax Dollar was spent

Finally, the division, Tax Agreement of 1911 expended \$1,665.80, an expenditure which was established by council policy in the year 1911.

A Complete financial report for the year 1958 is available at the City Auditor's Office, Room 21, City Hall and summaries are included at the end of this report.

Board of Registration

Lena G. Lantz, Chairman

No. of Employees: 3

1958 Expenditures \$9,348.49

Five elections were held in 1958, the June Primaries, The State and City elections, one on referendum and a Special election for State Senator.

One new voting list was printed and there were five printed additions.

There were 745 new registrations and 407 names were removed from the voting lists because of death, non-residence and through marriage.

Total number of registered voters as of December 31, 1958 was 13,861.

Personnel Department

Blanche Rogers, Personnel Clerk

No. of Employees:

1958 Expenditures \$1,853.34

During 1958, the department kept the personnel records for an average of 333 permanent employees. The following is a tabulation of the personnel action which took place, including temporary employees, as compared to 1957:

Personnel Action	1957	1958
Appointment—Permanent	64	35
Appointment—Temporary	204	252
Transfer	2	10
Promotion	22	27
Demotion	1	3
Pay Change	136	877
Title Change	6	8
Annual Leave Days	3535½	3524
Sick Leave Days	2161	1980
Workmen's Comp. Leave Days	322	216½
Leave Without Pay	29	25
Special Leave	28	22
Name Change and/or Address Change	2	17
Change Temporary to Permanent	15	15
Lay Off	86	164

Dismissal	39	17
Suspension	7	4
Death	1	1
Resignation	137	97
Retirement	5	3
Military Leave	0	1
Temporary Extension of Employment	2	1
Change Permanent to Temporary	0	1

Two general pay adjustments were granted to all permanent and temporary employees during the year, on January 1 a one-step (4½%) increase and on July 1 a one half step (2¼%) increase. 755 of the above listed pay increases were the result of these pay adjustments.

The Classification and Compensation Plan of the City of Bangor was amended by adding the following new positions:

Civil Engineer II
Appraiser
Temporary Laborer

and was further amended by reclassifying the position of City Planner.

Purchasing Department

V. E. Kane, Purchasing Agent

No. of Employees: 2

1958 Expenditures:
Operating \$8,681.96
Capital 170.04

The Purchasing Department issued a total of 11,268 purchase orders and field purchase orders during the year 1958, for the purchase of material and supplies, new equipment and construction for all city departments which amounted to a total of \$807,863.00.

This department advertises and solicits sealed bids on

purchases of over \$500 and opens and tabulates the bids received at bid openings. The actual decision on the purchase is then made by the Finance Committee of the City Council after the purchasing department has consulted with the head of the using department, and they have come to agreement on the recommendation of the material to be purchased.

Commodity Contracts for the city's requirements for one year, all awarded on low bids went to the Texas Company for gasoline, the Shell Oil Company for motor oils and greases, Webber Oil Company for Diesel Fuel Oil, McKinna's for Number Two Fuel Oil, Range Oil and Kerosene, Robinson & Kenney for Fuel Oil Number Five, and Bacon and Robinson for Fuel Oil Number Six.

Insurance Bids were taken and contracts awarded on low bids for one year for the city's automotive fleet insurance covering liability, property damage, fire and collision to the Bracy-Somers Company for \$5,073.50; Workmen's Compensation Insurance to Blake, Barrows and Brown, Inc., maximum cost to the city \$14,584.56 with minimum cost, assuming the city has no accidents, at \$3,465.64; and to Bracy-Somers Company, Inc., for Commercial Comprehensive Blanket Bond Insurance, covering all city employees for \$471.58.

Road Surfacing Tars and Asphalts were purchased through contracts entered into for one year with the low bidders: Barrett Division for RT5-6-7 and Koppers Company for RT 8-9-10 tank car delivery; to Barrett Division for RT 5-6-7 delivered our truck; to Shell Oil Company for Asphalt Cement delivered to the asphalt plant, to King's Oil Company for Cutback Asphalt delivered to the city distributors, and to Shell Oil Company and Barrett Division for Cutback Asphalt delivered to the asphalt plant and our truck.

Asphalt Plant bids were taken and a new Barber-Greene Asphalt Plant, which produces hot top and cold patch road surfacing materials, replacing the 15 year old Barber-Greene plant was purchased at a net cost of \$39,998.

Automotive Equipment purchased in 1958 for the Public Works Department included: one Buffalo-Springfield, 12 Ton Tandem Roller, one International Four Wheel Drive Pickup Truck, one International Five Cubic Yard Dump Truck with Hoist and Plow; one Chevrolet four door sedan for the Fire Department, and four Plymouth Two Door 6 Cylinder Sedans for the Police Department.

Contracts for Construction, amounting to over \$93,000 were awarded to low bidders during 1958, on the following projects: Drilling Two Artesian Wells, Remodeling and Repairing Center Wing, first floor of City Home and Hospital, Construction of new Sewer between Kenduskeag Avenue and Kenduskeag Stream, Retubing Steam Boiler at Municipal Garage, Installation of Boiler Burner Unit, Hot water Tank and Zone Control at City Hospital, Installation of 54" Culvert Pipe at Sanitary Sewer for Industrial Park Area, Replacing concrete floor in rooms under Grandstand at Bass Park, Erecting and dismantling scaffolding, rejoining brickwork and repairing gutters on City Hall, and painting in the City Hall building.

Sales of City Property to high bidders were:

A portion of City Farm Property was sold to the Neilmark Corporation for \$2,000 for the erection of a furniture storage warehouse.



New Police vehicles purchased during 1958

The City-owned house and lot at 244 Fourteenth Street was sold to Major Roy L. Lemons for \$12,105 after two previous insufficient offers were rejected.

The Hannibal Hamlin school property, which was originally offered for sale early in 1957, was sold to the Fransway Realty Company for \$46,100 for a supermarket to be erected on the lot for the T. R. Savage division of Hannaford Brothers.

Salvage operation at the Kittredge Road Dump was awarded to Clarence Tripp at \$1,800 per year for the privilege.

Standing hay at the City Home and Hospital was sold to Peter H. Davis for \$351.50.

Scrap iron, used batteries, tires, street car rails and other miscellaneous surplus items were all sold to the scrap dealers or individuals making the highest offers for the material.

Contracts for Services and Equipment were awarded on the following items:

Coal, anthracite and bituminous; tires, tubes and tire service; bottled gas; milk and milk products; laundry for the City Hospital and Fire Departments; road salt (approximately 20 carloads); calcium chloride; fire hose; mercury vapor street lights and floodlights for Abbott Square Off Street Parking Lot; traffic paint; traffic lights and cable; electric lamp bulbs; uniforms for Police and Fire Departments; hospital beds, chairs, tables and lamps; printing 3500 copies Annual Report for 1957; one Malsbary high pressure steam and water cleaner; and plants and shrubs for the city's parks and fire stations.

Assessing Department

No. of Employees: 6

Hazen C. Emery, Chairman
Alex M. Wescott
Jay E. Alley

1958 Expenditures:
Operating \$23,738.46
Capital 420.00

ASSESSING

The function of the Assessing Department is to ascertain and list all taxable polls and estates, both Real and Personal, within the municipality as prescribed by Maine Law and to assess and apportion the State, County, Bangor Recreation District and City Tax levy equitably upon said estates and polls.

City Valuation. The 1958 Taxable Estate totaled \$123,095,900 with the following breakdown:

Residential and Open Land	\$ 9,990,000
Commercial and Industrial Land	8,714,700
Total Land	\$17,704,700
Residential Buildings	\$52,796,700
Commercial Buildings	27,936,800
Total Buildings	\$80,733,500
Personal Estate	\$24,657,700

The 1958 Non-Taxable Real Estate totaled \$77,147,600 with the following breakdown:

Governmental (Chapter 91-A, Sec 10 I Maine Statutes)	
United States	56,000,000
State of Maine	1,653,500
Penobscot County	745,200
Bangor, City of (Reserved)	8,166,100
(Non-Reserved)	177,200
	8,343,300

Organizations (Chapter 91-A Sec 10 II

Maine Statutes)	
Benevolent and Charitable	3,091,900
Literary & Scientific	518,100
Veterans Organizations	27,200
Chamber of Commerce	14,200
Religious	5,550,800

Veterans (Chapter 91-A Sec 10 III

Maine Statutes)	
Veterans	715,100
Widows and/or Minors	249,800

Special (Chapter 91-A Sec 10 IV

Maine Statutes)	
Infirmary or Poverty	32,200
Blind	13,700

Cemetery Corporations (Chapter 58 Sec

20- Maine Statutes)	
Mount Hope Cemetery Corporation	192,600

The 1958 Tax Commitment \$3,219,462.40

Estates \$123,095,900 at \$26.00 per M	\$3,200,493.40
Polls 6,343 at 3.00	18,969.00
	\$3,219,462.40
Supplemental Assessment	\$ 9,559.30
Tax Abatements (Jan. 1, '58 to Dec. 31, '58)	\$ 24,579.32



Appraiser Frank Burmingham works on Sales-Ratio Map

This department was relocated during the year to larger quarters in City Hall where it has been able to serve the public and the city more effectively. Some of the progress this past year has been in the Address-ograph systemization of the Poll Tax records, the addition of a full-time Appraiser, the beginning of a new Photographic Record of all buildings and the maintenance of a SALES RATIO map to chart the valuation shifts in Bangor.

PROGRAMS

The Department subscribed to the Marshall & Stevens valuation service for commercial and industrial buildings, structures and equipment. By the use of this new system, it will be possible to reconstruct the current cost of most type commercial properties. This service will also keep the assessors informed as to new building materials and techniques. Bangor is now the only city or town in Maine that is requesting the cost figures on commercial and residential property in the \$20,000 plus class through the use of a Real Estate Declaration Form.

Interstate Highway. The Bangor section of the Interstate Highway #95 with the Industrial Spur Highway #83, the widening of the Hogan Road and its interchanges at Odlin Road, Hammond Street, Union and Ohio Streets, Broadway and the Hogan Road has kept this department occupied with a problem that is most unusual. This project took a total of 355 acres of land, 44 dwellings, 42 accessory buildings and 6 commercial structures that were assessed for \$651,400. There has been a relocation of 40 of the dwellings which have a value of \$282,400. This leaves the net loss of assessed value at \$369,000 for the highway.

Tax Exempt Property. During the past year, the Air Force began using substantial areas of land outside the Dow Air Force Base. A housing project of 530 dwelling units has started on the Davis Road using 154 acres and a defense site has been started on the Burleigh Road using 203 acres. At the present time out of the 19,380 land acres within Bangor (excluding streets) the Federal Government occupies 2,268 acres, or 11.7%. The total exempt area in Bangor now stands at 18.7%.

Treasury - Collection Department

Ralph L. Waymouth, City Treasurer

No. of Employees: 4 1/2

1958 Expenditures:

Operating	\$18,586.53
Capital	563.84

Cash Balance

The cash balance of the city as of January 1, 1958 was \$280,606.52. Cash collections during the year totaled \$7,250,745.38 and cash disbursements totaled \$7,295,912.40 with a cash balance as of December 31, 1958 of \$235,439.50.

Taxes

On the 1958 tax commitment of \$3,200,493.00 the percentage of taxes collected for the year 1958 was 93.4%, leaving \$212,575.00 unpaid December 31, 1958. In all a total of 11,310 receipts were issued for the payment of all taxes.

Parking Meters

The amounts collected from Parking Meters during the year was \$49,894.54 from the on-street meters and \$19,592.30 from the off-street meters in Abbott Square, Haymarket Square and Union Square and Columbia Street parking lots. The new lot on Columbia Street was opened in August.

Excise Tax

Motor Excise Tax set an all time high both in receipts issued and money received. On 15,265 receipts issued the city received a total of \$243,665.68, an increase of 675 receipts and \$16,973.86 over the year 1957.

Tax Loan

On January 23, 1958 the city sold its Tax Anticipation Notes in the amount of \$1,700,000 dated January 28, 1958 and due October 7, 1958 at a discount of 1.80% this being 66% lower than the 1957 rate of 2.46%. The actual discount was \$21,420.

U. S. Bills

The surplus money in the amount of \$800,000 was invested in U. S. Treasury 90 day Bills at a discount of \$3,184.00 making the net cost of the Tax Loan for the year \$18,236.00.

Bonded Debt

The bonded indebtedness of the city was decreased from \$1,675,500 January 1st to \$1,493,000.00 on December 31, 1958. The amount of \$182,500 was paid on bonds and notes due, and no new issues were sold.

Fire Department

No. of Employees:

78

John J. Nelligan, Chief

1958 Expenditures

Operating

\$326,568.08

Capital

6,187.14

The City of Bangor Fire Department consists of 78 people housed in three fire stations and operating 15 pieces of equipment. Personnel includes the Chief, two Assistant Chiefs, 6 captains, 6 lieutenants, and 63 fire fighters. The stations include Central Station and two sub stations, one on State Street and one on Center Street.

Fire Department equipment includes three ladder trucks, two combination pumper and tank trucks, five pumpers, one ambulance, one sedan, one pickup truck, one emergency truck and one Willys Jeep. One of these engines is a 1930 model and should be replaced.

In addition, the Fire Department owns about 33,000 feet of 2½ inch hose and 3,500 feet of 1½ inch hose.

During 1958, the Fire Department answered a total of 599 alarms. This compares with a total of 635 alarms in 1957.

Of this total 599 alarms, 448 were for fires and 151 were for calls for other than fire. Of the 448 fires in the city in 1958, 223 were minor fires within buildings, 75 were building fires, 57 were brush fires, 61 vehicles in the street, 17 miscellaneous outside fires, 9 rubbish fires, 4 dump fires and two woods fires.

Included in the 151 alarms for other than fire, were 66 false box alarms, 40 were automatic sprinkler alarms



Snow and Nealley Foundry razed by fire

with no fire involved, 27 false telephone alarms, five accidental alarms and 13 smoke and fire scares only.

Included in the 448 fire calls were seven out of town calls for assistance. Two of these were to Winterport, two to Veazie and one each to Brewer, Glenburn and Hampden.

Most important of all from the standpoint of the taxpayer is the excellent record of the Fire Department relative to fire losses during the year. With an estimated three hundred to four hundred million dollars worth of insurable property in the City of Bangor and with a million eight hundred thousand threatened by fire during the year, the fire department was able to hold the fire losses to \$34,398.

Flooded oil burners continued to be the major cause of fires within buildings. These resulted in 95 fires in Bangor during 1958. Other causes were chimney fires 43, defective heaters 20, careless smoking 29, children with matches 12, defective electric wiring 22, electric appliances 40, gas and appliances 4, grease on stoves 8, spontaneous ignition 1 and 24 miscellaneous causes.

Fire prevention inspection work continued to occupy the department a great deal of the time. During the year, department inspectors from Central Station carried out a daily property inspection program throughout the downtown business area. A total of 6,837 inspections were carried out during the year on residential and commercial property. Grass was burned where it was deemed to be a hazard and fire prevention programs were carried out in all the schools.



Fire at Citizens Utilities Gas Plant

Police Department

John B. Toole, Chief

No. of Employees: 59
Traffic Guides 14

1958 Expenditures:
Operating \$261,947.34
Capital 10,839.77

Administrative Division

This division provides the overall administration of the Police Department and covers the functions of the chief's office and the communication center. Six new men were recruited during the year to fill vacancies caused by resignations, retirements and dismissals and all received the in-service recruit training program.

In addition to the recruit training program, Captain Small attended a conference on Traffic at Yale and Captain Sloan and Officer Landers attended a retraining program in Boston put out by the FBI in investigation and fingerprinting. Officer Agnew attended a traffic enforcement course at Northeastern University and all other officers attended local seminars put on by the FBI on bank robberies, larcenies, kidnapping and fraudulent checks.

All members of the department took part in the firearms training course at the firing pit in Hampden.

During the year eleven members of the force were awarded citations in recognition of outstanding and courageous duty. These were Donald Cammack, Malcolm Tapley, Stephen Seguino, Frank Bryce, Bernard Welch, Patrick Dwyer, Leland Campbell, John Agnew, Calvin Knaide, James Scripture, and James Kelleher.

The Police Reserve Unit under reserve Chief Joseph Meade were called out on several occasions for emergencies and have worked many hours at church crossings, and for parades and other peak police loads. From January 1st to December 31st the Reserve has provided over 3,000 man hours to the city.

Patrol Division

The uniform force is the basic unit of the department. Men on foot patrol and on radio cars make up the largest single segment of the force. These men work in three different shifts under the supervision of a patrol captain, and patrol sergeant and patrol the entire city 24 hours a day.

Detective Division

This division is charged with the responsibility for investigating and reporting on all major crimes and other offenses or incidents within the jurisdiction of the City of Bangor, arresting criminals, gathering, safeguarding, recording and presenting evidence and giving testimony before the courts. There were 487 major offenses reported to the Police Department during the year as compared with 429 for 1957. Comparative crime statistics for these two years are as follows:

	1958	1957
Manslaughter by Negligence	0	1
Murder and nonnegligent manslaughter	1	0
Rape	0	1
Robbery	2	2
Aggravated assault	1	4
Burglary	55	60
Larceny	387	297
Auto Theft	41	64
	487	429

The Identification Bureau fingerprinted 532 new prisoners and took mug shots.

The Juvenile Bureau got a new sergeant in April 1958. Sergeant Hatch was sent to a three week course at the University of Maine on Juvenile Delinquency, as well as being sent on a field trip to the State School for boys and to the State School for girls to acquaint him with facilities and methods to rehabilitate the juvenile delinquent.

Juvenile delinquency continued to increase in the City of Bangor. In 1958, there was a total of 452 juvenile offenses as compared to 367 for the year previous. Comparative statistics are as follows:



"Yes Sir — Two Blocks"

	1958	1957
Malicious Mischief	181	128
Larceny	122	120
Traffic Violation	53	29
Fire Arms	5	10
Wanton & Lascivious	1	3
Breaking & Entering	25	25
Curfew Violations	44	35
Falling Into Vice	16	10
Violations of Probation	5	7
	452	367

Traffic Division

Traffic continues to be the single largest problem confronting the Bangor Police Department. The city's economic character, topography, street pattern, and weather conditions all combine to aggravate the traffic problem.

The traffic division reported a total of 751 traffic accidents during the year an increase of 6 over the previous year.

There were three fatal accidents, the same number as the prior year.

Seven percent or 53 of the accidents involved pedestrians. Of the 53, twenty-eight involved children under ten years of age, which points up the immediate need for educating children to cope with present day traffic. Study of these accident reports involving pedestrians seldom show the driver to be responsible or to contribute in anyway to the accident. In addition, 12 children riding bicycles were in collision with motor vehicles during the year.

The traffic division reported a total of 29,472 traffic violations of which 28,596 were parking or other non hazardous violations. 113 people were arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol during the year.

In the parking bureau, the meter maintenance crew installed 800 new time mechanisms in the on-street parking meters. Following completion of this, all the meters were converted to the seal box collection system.

On-street meters took in a total of \$59,894.54 during the year while off-street parking meter revenues were as follows:

Abbott Square	\$13,181.20
Union Park	3,325.60
Haymarket Square	2,669.80
Columbia Street	415.70



Patrol on route to duty

Electric Department

Leon J. Cole, City Electrician

No. of Employees:

10

1958 Expenditures

Operating

\$79,419.37

Capital

38,857.96

The Municipal Electric Department purchases and distributes electrical energy for all municipal purposes including the lighting of city buildings, street lights, traffic controls, and the operation and maintenance of police and fire alarm signal systems.

During 1958, the Electric Department purchased 3,852,785 KW hours of electricity. Of this 2,307,500 was supplied by the Bangor Water District and 1,542,835 was supplied from the Bangor Hydro-Electric Company.

The Electric Department during the year replaced 2,110 street lamps (or about 2/3 of the total number of street lamps operated by the department), 77 traffic lamps, and 22 mercury vapor tubes.

Eleven new mercury vapor fixtures were installed as well as 35 new incandescent fixtures, 9 new brackets, 31 new street light heads, 21 new street light reflectors, 25 new adapters, 13 new globe assemblies, 4 new globes and 4 new canopies.

The overhead lighting at Garland Street football field was built over from an underground cable installation and new services and lines were completed to the crusher and asphalt plants at the municipal pit in East Hampden.

A new underground entrance and service was installed at the Fairmount School and circuits were relocated on Harlow Street from Spring Street to Kenduskeag Avenue in the area of the new construction.

All of the circuits in Interstate Highway construction areas were temporarily relocated during the period of construction.

Two new traffic lights were installed on Garland Street during the year to provide for pedestrian "Walk and Wait" controls and seventy-seven traffic lamps were replaced.



New Street Light Installation

Work on the fire alarm system during the year included the installation of a new underground cable on Broadway at the intersection of the Interstate Highway project.

Also, four mechanical and one live test on all sprinkler alarm circuits and six live tests on all main line fire alarm circuits were completed.

New sprinkler alarm services and fire alarm boxes were installed at Day's Jewelry Store, Bangor Shoe Company and St. Michael's Orphanage.

Five fire alarm boxes were replaced during the year.

Building Inspection Department

Guy MacCrae, Building Inspector

No. of Employees:

4

1958 Expenditures:

Operating

\$18,647.60

Capital

43.12

Building Division

While the number of building permits in 1958 was only 7% greater than the number issued in 1957, the value of building permits was 40% higher than the previous year. This was due primarily to construction of several new commercial buildings.

The estimated value of the 411 building permits issued during 1958, amounted to \$3,075,330. This compares

to 383 permits issued in 1957 at an estimated value of \$1,854,633.

On the 411 permits issued, 907 inspections were made by the office or a little over two inspections per permit. In addition, 157 complaints were received and there were 88 violations found. Fifty-six of these violations have been corrected during the calendar year and follow-ups are being conducted on the remaining 32.

218 requests for information were received and each request was taken care of by a personal visit from the Building Inspector.

Fifty buildings were demolished during the year, approximately 60% of which were required by the Building Inspector because of their dilapidated and dangerous conditions.

Thirty-eight applications were heard before the Board of Appeals in 1958 of which 35 were granted and 3 were denied.

Electrical Division

A total of 686 permits was issued from this division in 1958 for various types of electrical work. 313 new services were installed and 170 change overs in service loads were made. 203 permits were issued for repairs and additions, 849 inspections were made regarding these

permits. 124 complaints were received, 85 of which resulted in determining that there were violations. One hundred other violations were found and 167 corrections were made on these violations. 79 follow-up calls were required.

Close cooperation is being maintained with the local utility company and, the state licensing board in enforcing the National Electrical Code.

Plumbing Division

In this division, 296 permits were issued in 1958 for various types of plumbing work. There were 257 new services installed and 39 change overs in existing service.

Fourteen violations were found and corrected and five complaints received, all of which have been corrected.

Three hundred and twenty inspections were made on the permits, violations and complaints.

Civil Defense Department

James O'Connor, Director

1958 Expenditures:

Operating	\$748.60
Capital	792.25

The Civil Defense Department, in order to allow the City Planning Department to expand, moved the Control Center to the lower section of the jail cells. At this time, a new telephone net was installed. This gave the department six private lines, plus extensions to Police, Fire, and Randalls taxi. Prior to this, all phones were extensions of existing phones and during an exercise this resulted in considerable confusion.

The Department concluded its plans for hospital evacuation in conjunction with the State Office. These plans cover all aspects of the evacuation of all hospitals in the Bangor area, including transportation, personnel, and patient load in each hospital and the receiving hospital for each unit.

Surplus equipment, with an acquisition cost to the U. S. Government of over \$200,000 was obtained for less than \$1,000. This included a truck mounted air compressor, fork lift trucks, D7 caterpillar tractor with mounted crane, and an Oskosh 4 wheel drive snow plow. These were allocated to the Public Works Department and an emergency diesel generator allocated to the City Hospital.



C. D. Communications unit in action

Hospital and Home

Mrs. Florence Knapp, Hospital Administrator

No. of Employees: 33

1958 Expenditures:

Operating	\$143,000.40
Less Welfare Credits	46,997.36

Net Operating	\$ 96,003.04
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Capital Revenues	50,598.95
	86,821.00

The Bangor City Hospital rendered a total of 21,458 patient days of care during 1958 as compared to 17,236 patient days of care for 1957—an increase of 24%.

During 1958, the average daily census was 59 patients including 38 hospital status patients and 21 home status patients.

During 1958, the Bangor City Hospital was approved for inclusion in the State of Maine Nursing Home Aid program. This meant in effect that many patients at the Hospital who were recipients of old age assistance, assistance to the blind or assistance to the disabled and who previously need supplemental aid from the local welfare department are now no longer recipients of general welfare but receive aid from the new State Nursing Home Program. The effect of this new program on the welfare department costs was dramatic.

Whereas in 1957, 62% of the hospital days of care and 53% of the home days of care were supported directly by the local welfare department, in 1958 only 17% of the hospital days of care and 29% of the home days of care given were financed by the local welfare department.

In order to become eligible for this new nursing home state program, it was necessary to revise the rate schedule and the new rates which were made effective March 1, 1958 were as follows:

Private Hospital Status Patient	\$8.00 per day
Hospital Ward Status Patient	\$6.25 per day
Home Status Rate	\$4.50 per day

Capital improvements at the City Hospital during the year included the third phase of the expansion program. This resulted in a new eight bed patient unit and a combination recreation-occupational therapy room on the first floor, center wing. This increased the approved bed capacity from 56 to 64.

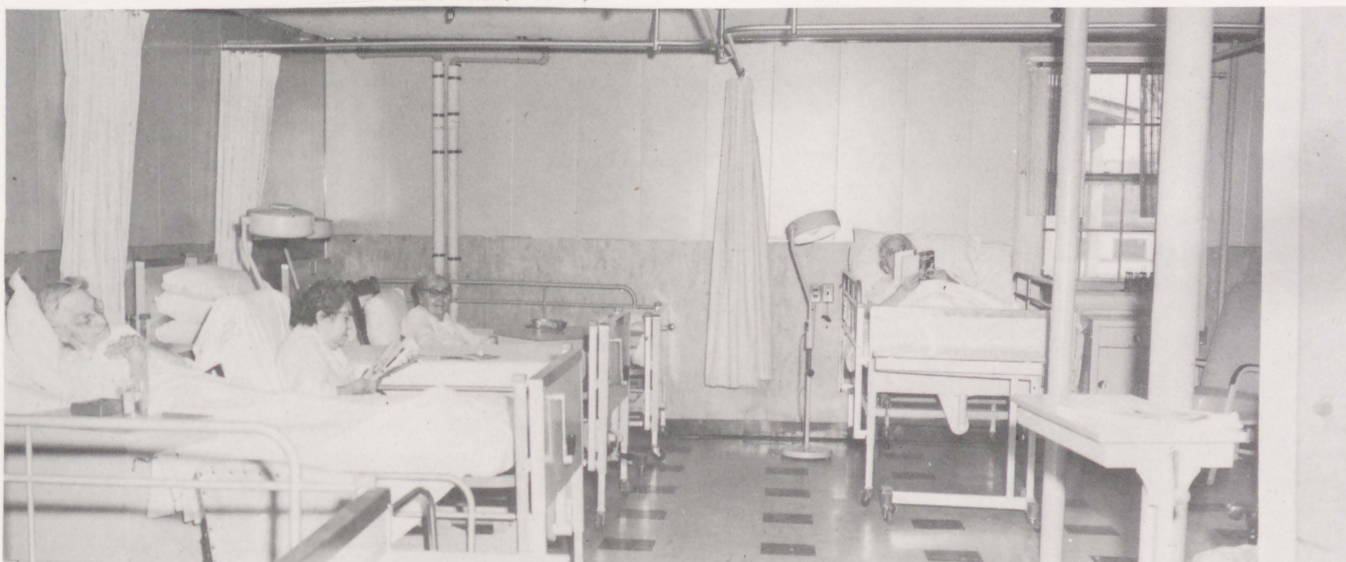
New filters, ducts, exhaust fans and marlite ceilings were installed in the central kitchen during the year and substantial damage caused to plaster walls in the main dining room, laundry and in the administrator's apartment by blasting on the Interstate Highway spur were repaired at no cost to the city.

In 1958, a new high pressure boiler and a zone control heat system were installed to give the entire hospital a modern up-to-date heating unit.

Also during the year, a 100 KW auxiliary generator was acquired from government surplus to operate all hospital electrical requirements in any emergency.

The education program at the hospital during the year included staff in-training programs and attendance at institutes on hospital management, administration, medical libraries, and dietetics.

The Bangor City Hospital has now been fully approved as an active member of the American Hospital Association.



Eight-bed ward reconstruction in 1958

A third annual hospital fair was a great success. The Bangor Hospital service club worked diligently in the preparation and operation of the fair and various women's clubs set up beautifully decorated booths, solicited, donated and sold supplies of cooked foods, candy, clothing, aprons, jewelry, handkerchiefs, etc. Local merchants donated door prizes and all the news media gave excellent publicity. The proceeds purchased six lounging geriatric chairs for the recreation room and special incidental needs of patients.

Hospital volunteer services have been most active and valuable in the rehabilitation program of patients during 1958.

The Gray Ladies donated a total of 1642 service hours to the hospital, held game days for patients, gave 53 birthday parties, chaperoned 28 patients to the Eastern Maine General Hospital and hostessed nine patient parties.

The Dow Officers Wives Club visited patients regularly, gave monthly parties, participated in the fair and held an excellent Christmas party and brought entertainment to the hospital once a month.

The Junior League has taken over the library for the more intensive readers and are bringing carefully selected books every two weeks from the Bangor Public Library.



Newly-renovated recreation room

The Home Culture Club had monthly tea parties for the patients.

During the year, the hospital gratefully received the following gifts:

A television set for the recreation room from members of the Emblem Club, folding wheel chairs by the family of the late Mrs. Nellie Hayes in appreciation of the care given Mrs. Hayes during her long hospitalization, and from Mrs. A. J. Cole.

Welfare Department

Ruth S. Lord, Director

Total expenditures for locally administered welfare during 1958 was \$110,604.52. Of this amount \$59,532.76 was for general relief, \$18,275.78 for Aid to Dependent Children, \$8,735.80 for relief to ex-servicemen, \$4,716.18 for payments to other cities and towns, and \$1,685 for welfare relief burials. In addition, \$17,659.50 was spent for administrative costs.

The public welfare program as administered in Maine by the local communities is the only relief plan which gives total support where needed. The various categorical assistance plans such as ADC, OAA and Aid to the Blind establish arbitrary maximum payments over which they cannot go. This often means sizeable deficits in some instances which must be met by the town or city where the categorical assistant recipient resides.

There were a total of 694 referrals or applications for public relief in 1958. Of these the biggest part, or 23% was because of illness or disablement. In this group are the elderly patients and those with chronic ailments, or families where the breadwinner is disabled and their marginal income does not allow for loss of regular pay, or single people who need support until they are able to return to work after illness. Other resources are used

No. of Employees: 5

1958 Expenditures:

Operating	\$110,604.52
Capital	155.63

when available, some are admitted to Bangor City Hospital and Home, others to commercially operated rest homes and nursing homes. Some of these patients who receive Old Age Assistance, Aid to the Disabled, or Aid to the Blind, receive relief only until they are accepted under the State Nursing Home Pool. This new Public Assistance Program has brought new revenue to the City Hospital and a 10% reduction in local welfare expense.

The second largest group applying was because of unemployment, 20%. Although there has been a great deal of construction in the Bangor area in 1958, much of it was union work calling for skilled workers and many companies brought their own crews with them. Most of the welfare applicants are not skilled workers, and some have personality problems that make placement difficult. Further, Bangor is an area of much seasonal employment.

State hospital commitments and outside requests for investigations were each 13% of the total. Outside requests include requests for interviews, verification of residence and employment, for agencies outside of Maine.

12.4% of the applications were for supplementation of income: private, veterans pensions, Old Age Assistance, Aid to Dependent Children, and others.

A smaller group, 5% have experienced loss of assistance from relatives. Usually it is sudden and until clients can be helped to make other arrangements, temporary help is given if needed.

There are some people who need social services and do not know where to turn. 5% of our applications this year were made for this purpose. Social services were given and referrals made to other agencies if indicated.

People with no apparent resources for medicine or medical care have applied, 4%. Not all of these received relief, as sometimes other resources were found to be available for them.

Because of the Social Security payments for burials, and the state paying for categorical assistance cases, the number of referrals for burial have decreased over the years. 3.4% were referred this year.

There was only 1 case referred for foster home placement of children or .2% of the total figure.

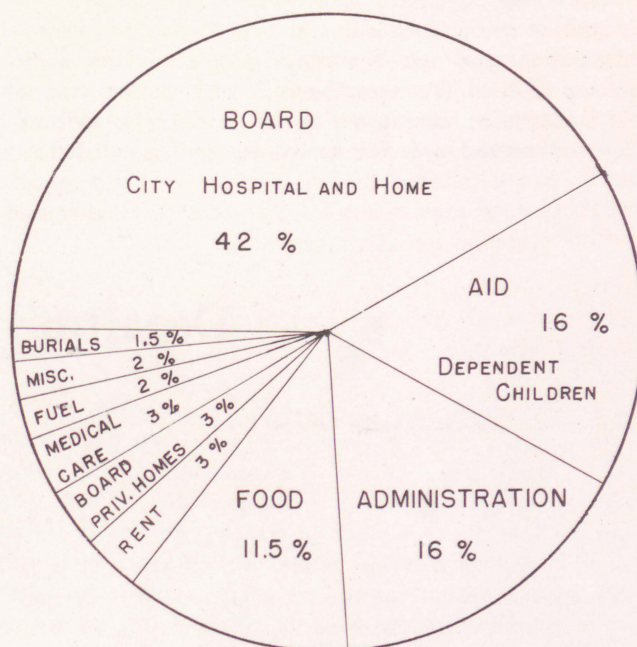
These are the applications or referrals for relief in 1958, but it does not reflect the picture of help given. In some cases other resources were worked out so that not all of the applicants needed relief. 859 persons, exclusive of ADC families, received general assistance in 1958.

INTAKE

It is the continuing goal of the Intake Worker to establish a working relationship with all clients, to clearly interpret the policies and laws governing Public Welfare functions, and to take helpful, constructive action in all cases. Here is the first contact which the applicant or the public has with the Welfare Department, and the strategic place and time to develop good public relations with the community. In the year 1958, there were 694 referrals or applications, as stated above, which necessitated 2443 office interviews as compared to 1715 in 1957.

All data must be verified and recorded. Here, Intake works closely with the Public Welfare Caseworker, the Director, and other agencies in rounding out the process for a more complete picture.

Federal surplus foods, representing 470 pounds of cheese, 425 pounds of rice, 705 pounds of dry milk, 1600 pounds of enriched flour, 450 pounds of corn meal, and 576 pounds of butter were distributed to an average of one hundred and ten people per month by the Intake Worker. Eligibility must be established and monthly reports prepared and submitted to the State Department of Health and Welfare in order for the city to share in this program of Federal Marketing Administration.



How 1958 Relief Dollar was spent

SOCIAL SERVICES

One hundred twenty-five cases were referred to the caseworker this year; for specific reasons. These services have included referrals to Public Assistance for Old Age Assistance, Aid to the Disabled, and State Nursing Home Pool, help in establishing eligibility for these, and making plans to return patients to the community.

Many of these applicants were not able to come to City Hall to apply, so workers visited them either in hospitals or at home. Some were admitted to City Hospital, some placed in private nursing homes. For the rest, other resources were worked out and occasionally some refused relief after being referred.

The Caseworker visits the homes of welfare recipients to help verify need, to know all the family, to see the conditions under which the family are living and to provide casework therapy where needed. Visits are made to other city departments and agencies to study situations, to work out plans, and to make verifications of legal residence, employment, vital statistics. During the year the Caseworker has visited Bangor's cases living in Augusta, Skowhegan, Fairfield, Biddeford, Orrington, Brewer, Orono, Central Maine Sanatorium, and Portland.

At Christmas time, the caseworker cooperated with the Fire Department in processing names of all the families on their Christmas Toy Project, also in selecting gifts for the welfare families and she was assisted by the clerks of the Department because of the magnitude of the project.

Caseworker continued to work on the Rehabilitation Committee of the Bangor-Brewer Tuberculosis and Health Association, and was Secretary-Treasurer of the Social Service Club in this area. Several talks on the work of the Department were given in the community. In addition she worked with two University of Maine students

who came to Public Welfare for a period of practice experience.

In 1958, the Public Welfare Director participated in constructive local, state and national welfare programs and served on the Governor's Committee to study Settlement Laws.

Department of Health

William J. Carney, Health Officer

No. of Employees:	
Permanent	7
Part Time Veterinarian	1
1958 Expenditures:	
Operating	\$39,958.79
Capital	301.68

The year 1958 extended from a Salk Polio Vaccine program in January to the collection of poisoned Swivel Sticks shortly after Christmas. In between these activities were twelve months of the usual and a little of the unique.

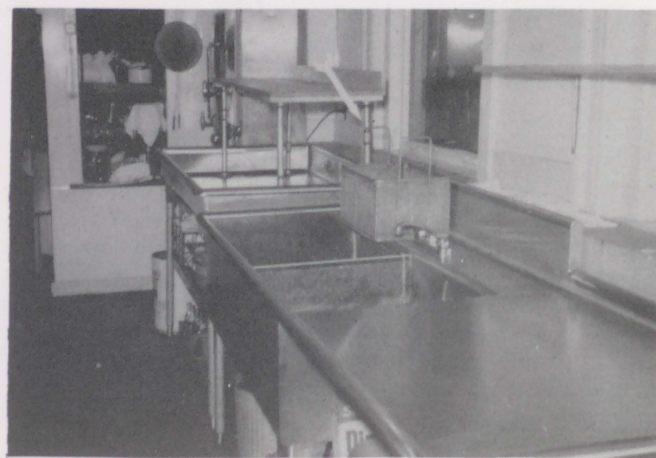
Inspections

Restaurants, Bakeries, Caterers	629
Satisfactory	535
Unsatisfactory	94
Chest X-ray Certificates Issued	501
Water samples analyzed	100
Satisfactory	83
Questionable	15
Unsatisfactory	2
Septic Tank Locations	123
Permits Approved	21
Mobilehome Parks	23
Swimming Pools	34
Nuisance Complaints	59
Dog Bite Investigations	49

In April, five cases of staphylococcal food poisoning, serious enough to hospitalize three individuals, were traced to some graham cracker filled pies produced by a local bakery. This was the only food borne infection reported this year after 23 food establishment permits were issued in January, with 20 withheld for failure to meet the requirements of the Restaurant Ordinance. During the course of the year, compliance was forthcoming from the remaining establishments. The Sanitation Inspector participated in a week long course, conducted by the United States Public Health Service on "Epidemiology and Control of Food Borne Disease." The Health Officer addressed this group on the subject of "Bacterial Infection, Salmonellosis".



Before



After

Food Establishment Improvement

There was an increased emphasis on inspections of septic tank locations due to the relocation of several properties in order to make room for the highway expansion. The public wells were tested for potability on the average of once every four to six weeks, with two additional locations being developed during the year, one at Summit Park and the other on Garland Street Field. Sampling of private well water supplies made up the total of 100 samples tested during the year.

A total of 116 swivel sticks made of bamboo stalks, with the heads shaped like a voodoo doll were collected. The head was carved from a cashew nut, the shell of which contains cardol, to which most people are sensitive. The eyes of the doll were made of poisonous jequirity beans.

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL

Disease	Cases	Disease	Cases
Chickenpox	183	Tuberculosis	12
Staphylococcal Poisoning	5	Syphilis	3
German Measles	79	Whooping Cough	36
Gonorrhea	22	Salmonellosis	10
Measles	255	Echo Virus Infection	3
Mumps	40	Ringworm	19
Streptococcal Nasopharyngitis			49

IMMUNIZATIONS

Diphtheria, whooping cough and tetanus	392
Poliomyelitis vaccination	1399
Smallpox vaccination	392

The outstanding effort in communicable disease control was the search for tuberculosis cases. As always, our efforts in tuberculosis control could not be accomplished without close cooperation with the Bangor-Brewer Tuberculosis and Health Association. The 1871 chest x-rays taken in the high incidence areas of the city, the 1178 skin tests in the parochial schools, the 501 chest x-rays of food handlers and the 1500 other x-rays which the association takes annually plus the tuberculin testing of public school children show that almost 20% of the total population was exposed to some form of case finding method.

The monthly tuberculosis clinic of the Tuberculosis Association which is staffed by our Public Health Nurses is a valuable adjunct to continued control of the tubercular patient after sanatorium treatment. The 1166 nursing visits for tuberculosis control is indicative of the active pursuit of this most serious public health problem in the city.

Some of the unique activities occurred in this division of our program. The first definite isolations in the State of Maine of an aseptic meningitis syndrome, due to Echo 9 Virus were obtained on three cases in one neighborhood of our city by the Communicable Disease Laboratory of the United States Public Health Service. In July we experienced an outbreak of 19 cases of ringworm due to *microsporum canis*. An outbreak of 10 cases of gonorrhea was investigated with the source cases referred for treatment.

CLINIC PARTICIPATION AT THE EASTERN MAINE GENERAL HOSPITAL

Well Baby Clinics	32	Pre-Natal Clinics	50
Physical Examinations	229	New Patients	310
New Patients	204	Return Examinations	1196
DPT Immunization	399	Post Partum Examinations	99
Return Visits	753	Polio Vaccinations	260
Smallpox Vaccinations	38	Total Clinic Visits	1605
Polio Vaccinations	350		
Total Clinic Visits	957		

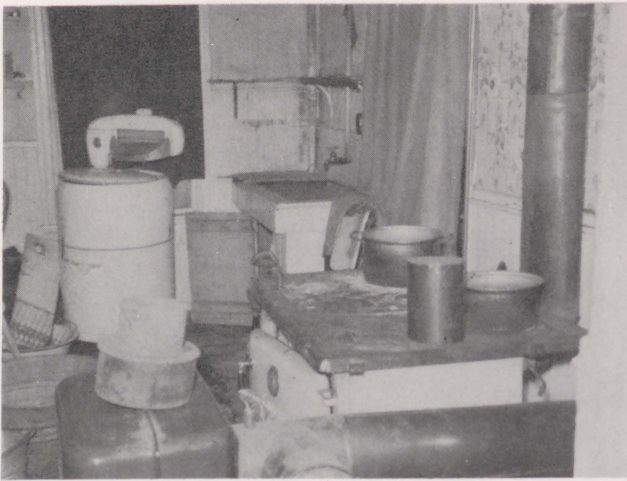
The Well Baby Clinic and Pre-Natal Clinic are both conducted and staffed by the Eastern Maine General Hospital with the participation of our public health nurses. The average attendance of approximately 30 at each clinic speaks for their need in the community. The baby bath demonstrations to new mothers, which started this year at the hospital and the continuation of the health education program to the expectant mothers plus the home visits by the public health nurses to both infants and mothers gives us the nucleus of a good maternal and child health program for the first time.

NURSING VISITS TO PATIENTS

Tuberculosis	1166
Parochial School Health	564
Dental Investigations	395
Adult Health	189
Child Health	91
Maternal Health	78
Salmonellosis	38
Gonorrhea	31
Cardiac	29
Crippled Children	13

The most significant new service to be initiated in 1958 was the participation of our Public Health Nursing Supervisor in the weekly rounds of medical and surgical patients at the Eastern Maine General Hospital. A total of 51 medical and surgical patients were admitted to nursing service requiring 123 hospital visits, 236 home visits and 81 conferences with physicians, nursing home operators and families. This effort is significant not for a statistical evaluation but because it is indicative of a trend in public health. With most of the communicable diseases fairly well controlled, the emphasis is going to be on chronic diseases and the rehabilitation of medical and surgical patients. This is going to be best accomplished in the home, after the need for the intensified care of a general hospital has passed, the members of the patient's family can be taught by the public health nurses to render the supportive care necessary during convalescence.

Approximately 30 nurses comprising the Senior Class at the Eastern Maine General Hospital School of Nursing were individually given one and a half days orientation to public health nursing activities. It is anticipated that this program will be developed further in the near future.



Before



After

Housing Rehabilitation

Housing Inspection

The most important development in housing was the acceptance of the Urban Renewal Referendum by the citizens in June by a vote of 3490 to 980. This was the result of an extensive newspaper campaign plus many showings of films on the slum conditions throughout our city to many groups of citizens.

The second important aspect of housing improvement was the application of the minimum standards of the Housing Code to innkeepers. The year 1958 saw the culmination of a 20 month effort to improve the electrical and plumbing conditions in the rooming houses in the city. After a meeting with the Public Safety Committee of the City Council the few remaining innkeepers who had failed to comply with the minimum standards that were required, either corrected their deficiencies or gave evidence of serious intent that they would do so in the near future.

SUMMARY OF HOUSING INSPECTIONS

Initial Inspections	Reinspections	
Structures	103 Structures	339
Dwelling Units	132 Dwelling Units	524
Rooming Units	983 Rooming Units	1093
	Absent Visits 105	

These statistics give a good example of the frustrations of housing inspection and how the persistence of repeated visits results in a satisfactory accomplishment. A total of 85 statements of deficiencies in complying with the Housing Code were sent to the owners of the 103 structures on which initial inspections were made in 1958. Then started the tedious process of reinspections to see if work had started or to evaluate what has been accomplished. Each of the 85 structures in violation were re-inspected an average of 4 times with 339 reinspections. Each dwelling unit was reinspected an average of almost 5 times.

The number of rooming units inspections shows the emphasis which resulted in the successful resolution of a 20 month effort to apply the minimum standards of the Housing Code to the licensed innkeepers of the City.

In 1958 a total of 80 dwelling units were rehabilitated, 12 were declared unfit for habitation, 9 were demolished and 10 closed and secured.

Dental Clinic

There has been a change in our dental clinic program due to the loss of our regular Dental Hygienist in June. The Dental Advisory Committee voted to contract for services with one dentist, Dr. Irving Paul, rather than use the various dentists in the community as had been the custom. This program will allow us 80 hours a month dental service for the children in the community who are unable to afford private dental care.

The last three months of 1958 allowed us to compare this new program with the previous arrangement. It was interesting to note that our dental health dollar was stretched 10.7% in September 23.7% in October to 37.5% in November in comparison with the previous program. We are thus going to be able to care for more children for the same amount of money.

Recreation Department

Albert E. Noyes, Recreation Director

No. of Employees:

Permanent	4
Temporary	30

1958 Expenditures:

Operating	\$55,554.14
Capital	3,634.05

Playgrounds and Summer Program

The number of city playgrounds was increased to ten with the addition of the new area at the Bangor Garden Homes Development. The total playground attendance for this 1958 season of nine weeks was 101,800. These supervised playground programs included crafts, art, sports and general apparatus play plus the five wading pools. Over 500 youngsters participated in the all day field day at Broadway Park to climax the playground season.

The Youth Baseball season began with the Annual Baseball clinic held at Broadway Park. The total attendance was over 247 for the 7 day program. Two local coaches and the league supervisor instructed the boys in baseball fundamentals. Six teams composed the Stan Musial League of 13 to 15 year old boys and the Ted Williams League had four teams of 16 to 18 year old boys. League play extended over a ten week period. Steve's Dry Cleaners team won the Stan Musial League for the second year and Alley's Indians took honors in the Ted Williams League. Over 150 boys participated in the summer baseball program. Two All-Star games were played under the lights during the season.

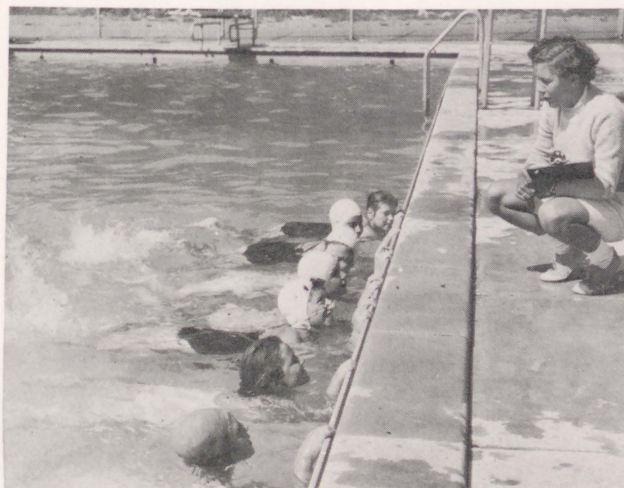


Action in a league softball game

Twenty-one teams entered the Men's Softball League. Games were played five nights each week for a period of twelve weeks. Over 250 men took active part in the softball program with hundreds more as spectators. The City Championship was won by the New England Pipe and Supply team with Robinson-Kenney and Fairmount

Hardware runners-up. The three teams participated in the State Playoffs and the New England Pipe won another State Championship at Augusta. A city employees League was formed with the City Hall, Police, Fire and Public Works Department taking part.

The weekly series of eight outdoor dances held in the parking lot of the First National Store attracted about 5,000 persons. Music was supplied free through the courtesy of the American Federation of Musicians Local No. 768.



Youngsters receiving swimming instructions

Swimming Pool

The outdoor swimming pool program was the best ever with a total attendance of over 20,000 for the eleven week season. Over 250 children took advantage of the free swim instruction program held each week-day morning. Sixty children learned to swim and 28 others advanced to intermediates, swimmers and life-savers. For the first time an adult learn-to-swim class was organized. Twenty-one adults received instruction in the basic fundamentals of swimming. On warm days the pool attendance in the afternoon averaged 300-350 children. The highest number for a single afternoon was 450. There were only three days when the pool was not opened. However, there were nine afternoons when the attendance was small and due to lack of attendance and cool weather the pool was closed early. Over 500 attended the Annual Water Carnival of swim races, stunts and demonstrations.

Winter Sports

Bangor's ice skating program has increased in popularity since the auditorium has been available. Supervised skating was held during the winter and fall months on the indoor rink. The total attendance exceeded 16,000 for the year. This with the six regular outdoor skating rinks provides enough facilities to accommodate all of the city's skating enthusiasts. The year ended with a very good month of outdoor skating with 22 days of perfect ice during December. The Bangor Figure Skating Club has reorganized with definite purposes and aims for the group. During the latter part of 1958, the group provided some very much needed supervision and instruction for the free ice skating lessons for the youngsters of Bangor. The club also produced two excellent ice shows to the public free of charge during the season. Ten sliding streets were blocked for sliding and six off street areas were maintained for sliding.

The city Adult Basketball Program included two leagues with a total of eighteen teams. The season of fourteen weeks is a very popular one during the winter months. The Junior League was composed of seven teams of high school age boys. The school department cooperated with this department by providing facilities at the two Junior High Schools. The Junior League was won by the Elks and the Trojans won the Senior Division with the Marine Reserve as runner-up. Twenty teams competed in the post-season Double Elimination Tournament. The Senior Division was won by the Rockets and the DeMolay took honors in the Junior Circuit.

Sixteen teams bowled every week in the Women's Bowling League. The season extended from October to May. The City Hall Team won the league with Kelly Pontiac and Southards tied for second place. The annual banquet and awards night was held at the Oronoka in May.

Recreation Center

The Elm Street Recreation Center had a teenage participation attendance of over 22,400 for the first year of operation. The building is available daily to the teenagers with a variety of activities available plus many special parties and program for center members. Many adult and youth organizations use the center regularly each month such as "Y" Teens, Square Dance Club, Christian Science Jr. Forum, Disabled Veterans, Bangor Art Society and the Eastern Maine Friends of Retarded Children School. Under the capable supervision of "Pete" Furrow, the center is flourishing and is certainly a big asset to the recreation program and to the city.

The Men's Church Dart Baseball League of sixteen teams completed the season of fourteen weeks in March. At the annual banquet and playoff, Dedham Congregational won the Championship over the American League winners, Levant Baptist. One hundred and sixty-six men attended the event.

Special Activities

A Tennis Clinic was presented to the public in May, which was co-sponsored by the Bangor Daily News and this department featuring Mercer Beasley, Doris Hart, and Lois Felix. The free clinic was attended by 200 people at Little City Tennis Courts.

Fifty boys and girls entered their dogs in the Third Annual Dog Show. The Elks Club again cooperated with this affair. The weather was showery which kept many away but the show was successful.

A Boys Touch Football League was added to the Department program. Four teams of 12 to 16 year old boys played each week for two months. This league will be expanded in another year.

The Annual Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo was held in September at Bar Harbor. Forty-four children and adults were transported by bus to Bar Harbor where a boat was chartered for the event. This event is co-sponsored by the Penobscot County Conservation Association. Fishing rods and reels were awarded to Sally Furrow and Joe Plummer for catching the two largest fish and Dolly Fox won the prize for landing the smallest.



Halloween skating party

The city wide Halloween Celebration is the department largest special event with about 1,000 boys and girls participating in the event and thousands more spectators. Ninety-two windows were painted in the Window Painting Contest and above 200 participated in the costume parade. Following the parade and awarding of prizes a skating party as held at the auditorium and a dance at the City Hall. The success of the Halloween Celebration was made possible by the Bangor

P. T. A.'s, members of the Merchants Bureau, Bangor Sub-Deb Club, Bangor Art Society, Bangor Police and Fire Departments and many individuals who were very interested in this event.

The summer series of Outdoor Band Concerts by the Bangor Band was climaxed by a very fine indoor concert. About 300-400 attended the program of an organ solo, Indian dance and dancing exhibition besides the various numbers by the band.

Future

Improvements in the existing tennis facilities are planned for the coming year. A new surface is slated for the second Little City Court plus the Fifth Street Court surface and a metal net.

With the increase in attendance at the Dakin Park Swimming Pool and the demand for more swimming instruction, a West side pool should be constructed in the immediate future.

Auditorium Department

John Quigley, Auditorium Supervisor

No. of Employees:

Permanent	6
Temporary	1

1958 Expenditures:

Operating Expenditures	\$56,695.18
Operating Revenues	44,390.92
Operating Deficit	12,288.06
Capital Expenditures	\$16,323.98

The Bangor Auditorium in 1958 was used for more varied types of entertainment and the attendance record was higher than in any previous year. A total of 196,900 people paid to attend spectator events, and 16,000 people skated during the year.

Thirty-four basketball games were played, including tournament games, with Bangor High School and John Bapst High School acting as hosts. Bangor also hosted the Small and Medium Schools Tournament and the Eastern Maine Large School Tournament, which were well attended, as were the two top professional basketball teams who played here.



Basketball at its best

Following the Basketball Tournaments and the regularly scheduled basketball games in March, Eastern Maine residents were given the opportunity to attend the ever-popular spectacular Ice Capades; the entertaining and informative Sportsmen's Show; and the nationally known Shrine Circus. All of these were well attended and provided entertainment for all ages.

The month of April brought the Foreign Car Show and a Professional Tennis match, both of which were new as indoor events in this locality. Both were well received and it is hoped that they will be repeated in the future.

In the month of May, the Bangor Auditorium was used to present the Home Show which was, as always very popular; the Cub-O-Rama, in which more than 900 Cub Scouts participated; the "Y-Squares," a delightful exhibition of folk-dancing; and the All Bangor Musical Festival, which portrayed the many talents of Bangor's musical organizations.

Bangor High School's graduating class received their diplomas at the Bangor Auditorium in June, and also in June the Mimms-Walker fight was presented.

During July and August, one major attraction was presented, a wrestling match which was well attended. The summer months, when outdoor entertainment is at its peak, gives the maintenance staff the opportunity to make necessary repairs and improvements in preparation for the Fall and Winter season.



Ice Capades

The Fall Season of 1958 opened with the Anah Temple Mystic Shrine Ceremonial and Chicken Bar-B-Que, which was followed closely by a Teacher's Convention, the Celtics Profesional Basketball game, a wrestling match, and the beginning of skating activities which included a free, costume Halloween skating party for the children.

The Bangor Figure Skating Club started their regular meetings in October with meetings being held each Wednesday night. In addition to presenting two very well-directed and well-prepared exhibitions, free to the public, the members of the Bangor Figure Skating Club have acted as instructors and Ice Police not only during the weekend public skating sessions but also at the free skating sessions for children under twelve which have been held each Monday and Wednesday afternoons during October, November, and December. The season's skating attendance totaled 16,675 which represents many hours and much wholesome entertainment for the youth of Bangor. Much credit is due to the Bangor Figure Skating Club for their help in maintaining order on the ice and their free instruction for the children. As one result of their skating ability and organization, they have been invited to go to both Waterville and to Millinocket to put on their skating exhibition.

November opened the Basketball season with the fabulous Globetrotters playing the Philadelphia Spas. This game was very well attended as was Bangor High School's starting game of the season against Westbrook.

Public Skating was held weekends and free skating on Mondays and Wednesdays attended by a total of 6,500 persons in November.

December found Bangor very basketball-conscious with six games being presented during that month. Public skating sessions were worked in whenever possible between basketball games.

In additon to public skating sessions and free sessions for children learning to skate there have also been, in this fall season, several private skating parties of church and school groups.

Maintenance 1958

In this year, work was completed on the semi-automatic compressor, which has saved many man hours. During the summer months painting was done in the Auditorium, which included the upper and lower corridors, office, sprinkler room, and doors. Repairs were made to the chain fence around the building, lockers were repaired in both locker rooms and guard rails were put on the bleachers, making the sides much safer. The Basketball floor was completely refinished to conform with the new rules for the 1958-1959 season and the sub-floor was repaired and newly painted.

Bass Park

Throughout the year many repairs and improvements have been made at Bass Park, which include landscaping, mowing, repairing fences, cleaning, repairing the winterized stables and keeping the track in perfect condition all through the year. Most of the stables have been painted this year after necessary repairs were made.

The Annual Fair was held at Bass Park and the week of Night Racing which preceded the fair was widely attended.

The cost of the care and maintenance of the Old Auditorium was kept at a minimum during 1958.

The exterior of the building was painted by volunteer help of the Bangor Painters Union in observance of Bangor's 125th Celebration. Also the interior was painted by the Bangor Jaycees. Minor repairs were made to the foundation making it safe for exhibitions and basketball practice.

Public Buildings

Ralph L. Waymouth

The Public Buildings Department had under its operation and maintenance during the year the following buildings: City Hall, Bangor Filter Center, Hannibal Hamlin School and two dwellings on Fourteenth Street taken in 1957 with the land for school purposes.

In October, the Hannibal Hamlin School building was sold and in September one of the dwellings on Fourteenth Street with one house lot was also sold.

No. of Employees: 7

1958 Expenditures:

Operating	\$45,916.08
Capital	3,481.13

General Repairs were made on both City Hall and the Filter Center. A large section of brick work and gutters on the south side of City Hall were repaired, which completes the entire south side.

The contract which was let in December, 1957 to relocate and renovate four offices, paint the first and second floor corridors and install new tile floor on the second floor was completed.

Bangor Public Library

L. Felix Ranlett, Librarian

No. of Employees: 35

1958 Expenditures:

City Appropriations	\$41,439.00
Fees and Fines	7,930.37
Endowment Income	144,971.10

The Bangor Public Library is outstanding among the small-city libraries of the United States.

As the above figures show, Bangor enjoyed in 1958 for a tax expenditure of \$41,439, library service worth \$194,340. That is, 22% of the cost of stocking and operating the library came from appropriations, 4% from fees and fines, and 74% from the income of endowments provided in the past by generous bequests and gifts.

The endowment funds held by the Trustees of the Bangor Public Library are the Frederick W. Hill and Marianne Hill Fund, the John F. Patten Fund augmented by the Thomas Upham Coe bequest, the Stodder Fund, the Louise Baldwin Thompson Fund, and the Trustees Fund consisting of the Luther H. Peirce Fund, the Frances A. Stetson Fund, the Ernestine Thompson Fund, the Charles E. Adams Bequest, the Clarence C. Stetson Fund, and other monies from unexpended gifts and reinvestment. The library also receives the income from three other funds managed by trustees other than the Trustees of the Bangor Public Library. These are the Hersey Fund, the Bangor Mechanic Association Fund, and the Edward Ellison Fund.

Resident borrowers total 14,615. Non-resident borrowers who, for the most part, pay a fee, number 1,733. The resident figure is 45% of the population of Bangor as reported in the most recent Federal census.

Books lent for home use totalled 387,936 which amounts to 12.29 per capita or 23.73 per registered borrower. Home use increased 9% in 1958 as compared with 1957 and 32% since 1955. The library owns 327,284 books.



Librarian Ranlett in crowded book stacks

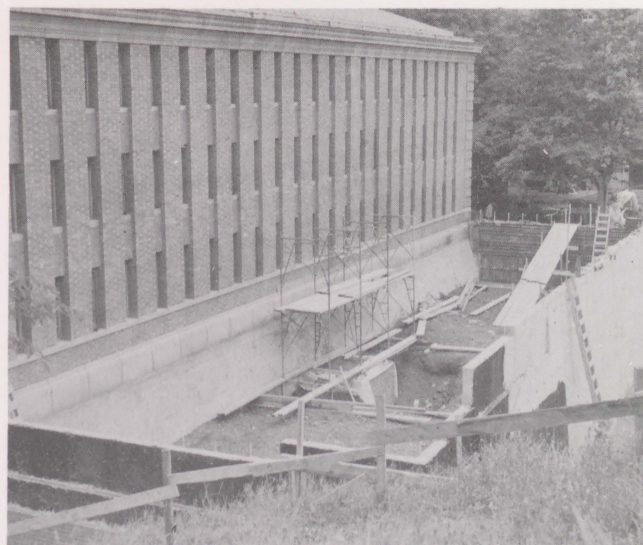
The library has been able to respond well to the great increase in the use of its services that has been noted in the past few years. In 1958, adult reference questions requiring research totalled 15,411. This does not include a series of radio quiz questions answered by phone 12,152 times. Reserve requests in 1958 were 12,536; in 1955, 11,346. Overdue notices in 1958 were 21,132; in 1955, only 13,154. Book deposits in locations other than the central library totalled 222 in 1958; in 1955, 197. These are representative figures.

Many contacts for Bangor are made by the library. Information requests came from 82 towns in Maine outside our own local area, and from 54 towns in 27 other states, as well as from individual towns in Switzerland, Brazil, Mexico, and Canada. The coming celebration of Bangor's 125th Anniversary as a city has produced many public inquiries on Bangor history and has greatly promoted the borrowing of books on Paul Bunyan and Hannibal Hamlin. The strength of our genealogical collection is focusing here more and more research in that field. People travel long distances to use it.

Erection of the book-storage addition to the library building began in May, bids having been opened on May 20. The estimated cost of the project is:

Nickerson & O'Day, Inc., general contract, ledge removal, and change orders	\$ 88,915.00
The Estey Corp., stack contract	27,894.00
Otis Elevator Co., elevator contract	10,734.00
Wadsworth & Boston, architect fee	7,652.58
Miscellaneous	3,422.56
	\$138,618.14

Cash available consists of net proceeds of \$99,758.10 of the city bond issue of 1957, \$17,905.46 of money saved since 1951 out of income of Trustees Fund, plus earnings, as "Elevator Fund", for eventual construction, plus \$1,419.04 earnings on short term loans, a total of \$119,082.60. The difference between this figure and the cost of the project must come from the unrestricted



Construction of new stack area

portion of the principal of the Trustees Fund, our only unrestricted principal, reducing our fund income accordingly.

By the year end the building itself and the elevator were ready, but the heat distribution unit was not yet delivered, and the single floor, supporting pillars, three stairways, and shelving for one floor, which comprise the entire stack contract, had not yet been manufactured. The floor is to be of three-quarters inch glass, like the stack floors in the original building. A glass industry strike is largely responsible for the delay on the stack contract. It is possible that we may have completion in March. Then comes the job of moving in.

Legal Department

Abraham J. Stern, City Solicitor

No. of Employees:
1958 Expenditures. \$6,535.19

During the early part of 1958, in addition to routine matters, the Legal Department was busily engaged delving into various aspects of the proposed Kenduskeag Stream parking project. This involved checking the opinions of adjacent land owners as to their willingness to cooperate, and exhaustive research into the law of eminent domain and the law concerning rights of abutters and the rights of the public in and over the stream. The City Engineering Department was most helpful in developing maps and furnishing the necessary title information involved in the project, which project was ultimately defeated when referred to the voters.

Other predominant matters involved the preparation of Options and Deeds to property on Harlow Street for the erection of a new retail building by Webber Oil Company, the widening of Harlow Street northerly from Cumberland Street, and the widening of Harlow Court by the City of Bangor; the preparation of Options and the ultimate purchase of land for school purposes on 14th Street, and the preparation of Options taken

for the purchase of land on Outer Broadway for high school purposes.

Much time was spent with the Engineering Department in the preparation of easements allowing the city the right to construct new sewers and to relocate old sewers along the new Interstate Highway system, and with both the Engineering and Planning Departments concerning the many requests for changes by Ordinance of the various zones in the City of Bangor, which Ordinances were prepared and submitted to the City Council in all cases.

In addition, suits were instituted for the collection of taxes and various claims against the city were properly disposed of by and with the approval of the City Council. Legal documents including Orders, Ordinances, and Resolves were drafted and legal opinions rendered to the various municipal departments, and whenever requested the City Solicitor attended administrative board meetings held by the Board of Appeals, Planning Board and Health Department.

School Department

Lawrence A. Peakes, Superintendent

Number of Employees:	
Teaching Staff	239
Maintenance and Operation	55
	294

1958 Expenditures	
Operating	\$1,579,754.68
Capital	57,047.12

Immediate enrollment pressures and long-term building planning are Bangor's major educational problems.

The accelerated growth in the local enrollments continues. Five thousand, nine hundred and forty-five boys and girls were attending the Queen City's tax-supported school at the close of November 1958. This was an increase of 263 over the corresponding date the previous year, a gain of fifty percent above that experienced in the previous twelve months. To cope with this rise required the teaching facilities of more than nine additional classrooms.

The most recent pupil population report showed 3,755 in the elementary grades, kindergarten through six, including the special classes; 1,222 in the junior high schools; and 968 in the senior high. In the fall term alone, the net increase of students was more than that needed for yet another classroom.

There are other danger signals. Last fall the three classes for handicapped children had to be moved into rented quarters. In September 1959 the ninth grade or

freshman pupils must be taken from the two junior high schools and transferred to Bangor High which will then operate on a double session program opening at seven-thirty each morning and continuing through the day until five-thirty-five each afternoon.

Dr. William K. Wilson, author of the 1948 local school survey, returned here last spring, restudied the local situation, and then presented his "Revised Recommendations for School Plant Development for Bangor, Maine". This most important report bases its recommendations "upon the belief that the normal growth of Bangor, independent of the influence of the Air Base, calls for the continuation of the gradual development of a modern school plant for the city. The elementary facilities of the city proper, providing primarily for residential children, will be supplemented by those facilities provided by the Federal Government for the children of Air Base personnel. The secondary school facilities provided by the city will accommodate all residential and Base children, since the number of secondary school children from the Base is relatively low when compared with the total secondary enrollment."



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To implement Dr. Wilson's report, the School Committee and the School Building Committee are currently urging two major construction projects — a new high school, located out of the built-up down-town area, planned to house 1,200 to 1,400 secondary pupils, and an eleven room elementary school on the so-called Fourteenth Street site. Eighteen per cent of the over-all costs of these proposed buildings will be contributed by the State of Maine, and Bangor also has available as further financial aid a federal grant of \$49,820.

In addition, the Housing and Home Finance Agency is planning to erect — entirely through federal funds — a seventeen room elementary building on the Capehart Housing Project on outer Ohio Street. This school, when completed, would be staffed and controlled by the Bangor School Department with federal assistance for maintenance and operation depending upon the num-

ber of pupils enrolled connected with Dow Air Force Base.

In spite of steadily increasing enrollments and the pressing need for additional school buildings, it is generally acknowledged that the true frontier in education for the next twenty years is quality. We have been concerned that every child gets into school; now we must ask how much each child — in relation to his own abilities — gets out of school.

The progress of Bangor's young men and women who go on to higher education attests to the high quality of our local program for college preparation. Considerable study must be given to insure an education of the same quality for those students who are vocationally minded and for those for whom high school is terminal. Herein lies the true challenge of Bangor's curriculum study in relation to its building program.

Industrial Development Department

Philip Wolley, Industrial Director

No. of Employees:	11½
1958 Expenditures	
Operating	\$33,368.37
Capital	1,632.51

Bangor experienced in 1958, one of the greatest boom years in its entire 125 year history as an incorporated city. Only in 1958, it wasn't lumber and wood but new construction, both government and private, that stimulated the economic development of the city.

As 1958 came to a close, there was under contract in the City of Bangor \$59,000,000 worth of new construction. This included \$27,000,000 of new construction on Dow Air Force Base, \$8,000,000 in the new Capehart Housing Development, and \$6,000,000 for new Bomarc Missile Base. In addition, \$11,000,000 Interstate Highway System was nearing completion, the \$4,000,000 water system was nearly ready to pipe new water into the city and the city's Building Inspector had issued \$3,000,000 worth of building permits for private construction during the year.

In addition to this, two new \$2,000,000 shopping centers were on the drafting boards and plans have been made for opening these new developments in the fall of 1959.

The formal opening of the new Bangor Industrial Park was held in 1958. Standard Electric Company, Bangor Shoe Company, Radio Supply Company, and Fox and Ginn became new neighbors to Bangor Shoe in the Park. Assessed valuation of new commercial buildings and inventories which were constructed in 1958 will increase the city's tax rolls by more than half a million dollars.



Radio Supply Company starts business in Industrial Park

All of the building activity was not confined to the Industrial Park. Everywhere you looked in Bangor, new buildings were springing up. Motorists coming off the new Industrial Spur will be greeted by a modern truck stop built by Cole's Express for the convenience of truckers who wish to refuel, rest and eat.

Shoppers in Bangor will appreciate the facilities that will be provided for them by the construction of three new supermarkets and a new department store.

The Prudential Insurance Company moved into its new office building on Union Street in 1958. Also a new plant was built in the Rankin-Grant parcel on the Odlin Road for a heating and plumbing company operated by Mr. Chester Magnason of Manchester, New Hampshire.

Visitors who want fine overnight accommodations may now take advantage of the new Fairmount Terrace Motel located on Hammond Street.

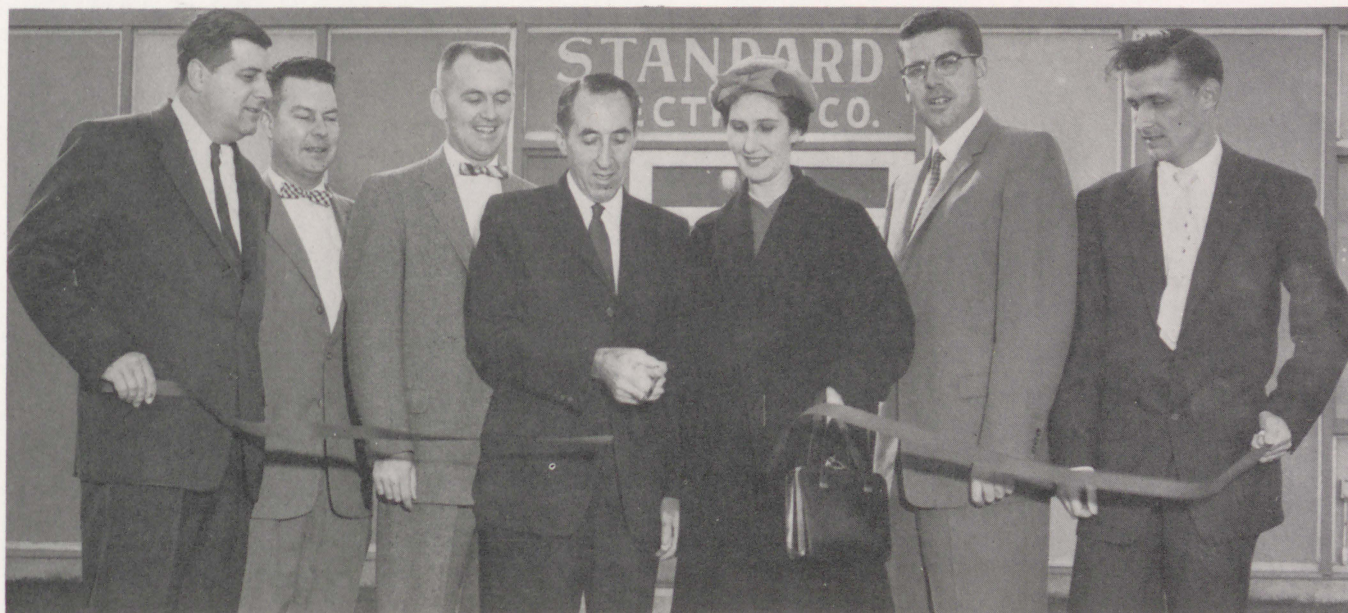
Mr. Norbert Dowd was elected President of the First Industrial Foundation of Bangor. This is a non-profit organization of persons incorporated as proprietors of a local citizens group to foster, encourage, and assist the location, settlement or resettlement of industry, manufacturing, and other business enterprises in Bangor. This newly formed organization held one meeting during the year but as yet have not applied for any financial assistance under the Maine Industrial Building Authority Act.

The Bangor Area Manpower Resources Survey Committee, Chesley Husson, Chairman, was formed during

1958. The Committee surveyed the area to determine the training needs of industrial and commercial businesses. There were 226 questionnaires forwarded to businesses and the returns indicated that there was a need for an adult vocational training program in the Bangor area. In 1959, a permanent Maine Resources Committee should be formed to act as a liaison between industry and schools.

During July, the city received a visit from seven members of the Society of Industrial Realtors from New York. This group, as guests of the Department of Economic Development in cooperation with local municipalities, toured the State of Maine for one week to inspect the State's industrial potentialities. This group was entertained with two luncheons in Bangor and had a chance to tour the industrial sites in the city.

The year 1959 should see another boom year for Bangor. The municipal organization will do everything possible to continue to make Bangor a better place in which to work and shop so that it may also be a better place in which to live and play.



Standard Electric Co. opens new operation in Industrial Park

Planning Department

Walter A. G. Snook, City Planner

No. of Employees: 11½

1958 Expenditures:

Operating	\$8,997.62
Capital	355.00

Bangor must plan and exercise its plans if it is to continue to grow and expand effectively. The city is on the threshold of a vast and expanding future—new shopping centers, new industry in the Industrial Park, new Interstate Highway, new growth in the downtown business

district, and new growth at Dow Air Force Base. This means new people and new needs for the present citizens, and this means further newness—new parking facilities, new school facilities, new sewer extensions, new streets, and many more.



Left to Right: Planner Walter Snook, J. Arthur Stone, Danforth West, G. Clifton Eames and Merrill Bradford. Absent was Simear Sawyer.

The future is laid out before us; we must plan carefully to take advantage, every advantage and opportunity, to assure that Bangor's future is a good and wise future.

The year 1958 marks the tenth year of operation of the City Planning Board. The Board consists of a five-member Council-elected citizen group plus two associate members. In 1958, the Board functioned under the capable Chairmanship of Merrill R. Bradford. Members are G. Clifton Eames, Danforth E. West, J. Arthur Stone, and Simear F. Sawyer; the two associate members are Edwin P. Webster and Norman Minsky.

The City Planning Board is aware of the expanding future and is working diligently, and spending many hours on the city's planning problems. During 1958, the Board met 42 times and in the late fall started on a regular schedule of meeting every week on Monday afternoon. These meetings are open to the public and citizens are cordially invited to attend.

Important tasks were undertaken in 1958. A new Ordinance on Subdivision Regulations was prepared which,

in its operation, will provide for better and more economical design; no more will the citizens be annoyed with deadend streets, miserably small lots, dreary street patterns and other unpleasantness of unplanned design.

Urban Renewal has started forward and citizens may look toward a revitalized Bangor. A five member Urban Renewal Authority has been appointed to head up the program and a consulting urban renewal firm has been engaged to guide us through the intricacies of the plan.

The Master Plan and the Zoning Districts are being carefully studied; however, these are long term projects that will take considerable time. The Planning Board devotes much time to the consideration of requests for zone changes and tries to arrive at decisions that will be of the most benefit to the entire city. Zoning is a dynamic science and some changes must be made if Bangor is to grow. A large subdivision on Mount Hope Avenue has received study; this should provide many badly needed residential lots. Residential growth has been slow in Bangor because of the lack of serviced lots and such a development as this, and others to come in the future, should accelerate the building pace.

Engineering Department

James L. MacLeod, City Engineer

During the year 1958, the Engineering Department was called upon to perform many and varied items of work of an engineering nature, in addition to the normal routine associated with this office.

The records which are maintained in this office appear to be more and more important and nearly every day some interested citizen visits the office to obtain information from the records which are maintained here.

No. of Employees:	5
1958 Expenditures	
Operating	\$28,324.60
Capital	7,829.51

As the City expands, more and more work for the city must be undertaken by private contractors. When this is done, the Engineering Department is called upon to make the necessary surveys, prepare detail plans and provide specifications for the execution of this work. The type of work undertaken is quite varied as the following list indicates:

Plans and Specifications:

1. Renovating and painting interior City Hall	\$ 6,003.12
2. Drill new artesian well—Summit Park	2,057.50
3. Drill new artesian well—Garland Street School lot	1,440.00
4. Install new concrete floor men's toilet room Bass Park Grandstand	675.00
5. Renovating and remodeling at City Hospital	19,639.93
6. Repair High School Boiler Room	6,810.00
7. New boiler burner unit and zone heat control at City Hospital	26,259.00
8. Relocate 30" Kenduskeag Avenue trunk sewer	37,498.00
9. Painting interior City Hall	1,420.35
10. Foundation plans for Paul Bunyan Statue	3,822.00
Sanitary Sewer for Industrial Park	120,638.00

Layout and inspection services were provided as required for this work.

Surveys and detail plans were prepared for projects which were undertaken by the Public Works Department, as follows :

Surveys and Plans

1. Harlow Street reconstruction.
2. Rebuilding a portion of Thatcher Street.
3. Building Hildreth Street beyond Miller Street (900')
4. Harlow Court reconstruction.
5. Carter Street construction from Hutchinson Street to Ohio Street.
6. Grand View Avenue and Astor Place construction.



Engineering Staff

7. New sewer construction Fernald Heights.
8. Rebuilding sewer on Allen Street.
9. New sewer on Buck and Bond Streets.
10. Short sewer extension on Brookline Avenue.
11. Sewer relocation on Alden Street.

Plans and estimates of costs were prepared for the following projects which have not been undertaken.

Future Plans

1. Completed survey and plan preparation for an extension of the Sanitary sewer from Odlin Road to Hildreth Street.
2. Survey and plan preparation for possible extension of Farm Road to Thatcher Street.
3. Plan preparation and cost estimate for improving traffic flow at Oak Street and Washington Street intersection.
4. Completed plan preparation for a new 18 stall cattle shed to be located at Bass Park.

Plans and/or estimates of costs were prepared for other departments as requested which include the following:

A survey was made and a complete topographical plan was prepared of the new school lot on Fourteenth Street adjoining the Fairmount School lot.

Site plans were prepared for the School department for a number of possible locations for the proposed high school.

A large scale floor plan of the Old Auditorium was prepared for the 125th Anniversary Committee.

A plan was prepared showing the present Ward lines and forwarded to the U. S. Bureau of Census, Washington, D. C.

Plans and cost estimates were prepared showing the required changes in electrical and fire alarm systems and for the sewer relocations resulting from the construction of the Interstate Highway System and these plans and estimates were incorporated in the final agreements executed between the City and the State.

Invoices covering work accomplished either by City forces or by contract were prepared by this office and submitted to the State, all in accordance with procedures required by the Bureau of Public Roads.

Reports for Council action were prepared on sewer construction costs with a list of possible assessments for new sewers on the following streets:

Reports to Council

Fern Street, southerly from Stillwater Avenue
Pine Street, northerly from North Park Street
Grand View Avenue, westerly from Broadway
Astor Place, northerly from Grand View Avenue.

Reports for Council action were prepared for acceptance as public ways on the following streets:

Carter Street from Hutchinson Street to Ohio Street.

Grand View Avenue, westerly from Broadway, 600 feet

Astor Place, northerly from Grand View Avenue.

Reports for discontinuance of the following streets were submitted to the Council as follows:

During the early part of 1958, plans and cost estimates were prepared in connection with the proposed Kenduskeag Stream Parking program, for providing vehicular bridges and a foot bridge as part of the total program and a considerable amount of time was spent with Metcalf and Eddy, Consultants, on this project. In addition, detail plans and cost estimates were prepared for a public toilet building to be erected as part of this overall improvement.



Industrial Park Trunk Sewer

A 10' strip from the westerly side of Egery Street.

Sherman Avenue between Knox Street and Thornton Road.

Reports for Council action for easements for sewer right-of-way were prepared as follows:

Industrial Park trunk sewer.

Construction of trunk sewer between Lemist Street and Nowell Road.

Miscellaneous Studies

Sewer easements were also obtained without cost to the City for the relocation of the Kenduskeag Avenue trunk sewer between Kenduskeag Avenue and Valley Avenue and for the relocation of the Arctic Brook trunk sewer along the southerly tier of lots in the Bangor Garden Homes development.

A survey was made and a floor plan prepared of the buildings which are to be vacated by the Water District as part of a study of floor space needs of the Public Works Department. From this study, recommendations were submitted for providing additional floor space required.

A report was prepared showing the source of title and assessed value of City owned land which was taken by the State for the right-of-way for the new Interstate Highway.

A cost estimate was prepared for rehabilitating roads and streets serving the Dow Air Force Base area and the Capehart Housing Area.

Following the defeat of the proposed Kenduskeag Stream Parking program, new studies were started for the development of possible off-street parking facilities at various locations throughout the downtown area. A report on these studies will be submitted to the proper authorities early in 1959.

Plans were prepared showing a proposed new arrangement for traffic control and channelization to correct the bad traffic congestion at Main and Railroad Streets. These plans have been submitted to the State Highway Commission for their consideration.

Street numbering plans were prepared for Kenduskeag Avenue from Bruce Road to Broadway and on Ohio Street from Westland Street to Davis Road, and numbers issued for all houses within these limits.

Street lines were established on the following streets, either in connection with new construction or at the request of property owners:

Street Lines

Eddyway Street	Grand View Avenue
Buck Street	Astor Place
Bill Street	Hildreth Street
East Broadway	Thatcher Street
North French Street	Carter Street
Maple Street	Princeton Street
Carver Street	Field Street
Harlow Street	Broadway
Harlow Court	Burleigh Road

Pavement Cuts

The most troublesome problem that the Engineering Department is confronted with, results from the lack of control the department now has over street openings and pavement cuts. It is the responsibility of this department to issue these street opening permits and to inspect the work while in progress. However, the department is not sufficiently staffed to carry out this assignment and, consequently, most of the work is improperly done. It is suggested that some thought be given to correcting this situation, either by changing the Ordinances to provide effective control, or providing that all street excavations be made by City forces. With more effective control, it is felt that a much better job can be accomplished.

GENERAL STATISTICS

Area of land in city	22,662 acres
Area of water in city	400 acres
Total	21,062 acres
Total area of all parks	83.78 acres

STREETS

Type of Surface	1957		1958	
	Sq. Yards	Miles	Sq. Yards	Miles
Cement Concrete	620	0.034	620	0.034
Hot Asphalt Paving	428,021	21.969	428,202	22.005
Bituminous Paving	33,976	1.583	33,976	1.583
Bituminous Retread	33,168	1.630	33,168	1.630
Gravel—Tar treated	1,348,907	93.325	1,350,719	5.316
Total		125.197		125.190

SIDEWALKS

Type of Surface	1957		1958	
	Sq. Yards	Miles	Sq. Yards	Miles
Cement Concrete	32,595	8.41	32,486	8.36
Hot Asphalt on Concrete	7,220	1.49	7,551	1.60
Bituminous Concrete	91,230	43.63	81,073	40.57
Hot Asphalt	127,011	39.46	146,397	43.55
Brick	548	0.10	548	0.10
Gravel—Tar Treated	4,698	3.56	4,476	3.50
Gravel		13.61		13.61
Total		110.26		111.29

SEWERS

Type of Sewer	1957		1958	
	Total Ft.	Miles	Total Ft.	Miles
Brick	108,517	20.552	108,517	20.552
Vitrified Clay Pipe	221,805	42.008	224,584	42.535
Cement Concrete	84,855	16.071	87,908	16.649
Stone	1,989	0.378	1,989	9.378
Cast Iron	4,574	0.866	4,574	0.866
Totals	421,740	79.875	427,572	80.980
Manholes		1027		1046
Catch Basins		1751		1761

PERMITS ISSUED

	1957	1958
Street Opening Permits	261	283
Sewer Entry Permits	62	68
New House Numbers	83	181
New Driveway Permits	7	19

Public Works Department

Roger W. Merrill, Director

No. of Employees:

Permanent	92
Temporary	30-40

1958 Expenditures:

Operating	\$497,949.61
Capital	321,014.16

The Public Works Department is located at 25 Court Street in a four story cement building known as the Municipal Garage. The first three floors are used by the department and the fourth floor is occupied by the Municipal Court and the Bangor Police Department. The ground floor consists of a number of storage bays equipped with overhead doors. The building is built on a side hill so as the bays progress downward, the head room increases allowing the storage of snowloaders and special equipment that require additional height from an ordinary garage. The second floor is the main garage, housing the most used equipment, the stockrooms, men's locker room, and the garage shop where the mechanical repairs are made. The third floor houses the carpenter shop, the parks and forestry tool room, the sewer shop, a paint shop, the offices of the department, and storage for city-owned passenger cars.

The department has nine subdivisions: the administration consisting of the Director, his assistant, the cost accountant, stenographer, and two stores clerks. The garage force consisting of an automotive maintenance supervisor, a night foreman, seven mechanics, two automotive servicemen, and three custodial workers. The highway division, largest of the group, has a highway supervisor, two maintenance foremen, two labor foremen, eighteen equipment operators, eight truck drivers and twelve laborers. The gravel pit division, which operates during the summer and is located in Hampden, uses a gravel plant foreman, three equipment operators, a truck driver, and a semi-skilled laborer. The asphalt plant is at the gravel pit and is operated during the warmer summer months. It employs one equipment operator, two stationary firemen, and two laborers. The sewer department has a sewer supervisor, three equipment operators, two masons, one truck driver and four laborers. The parks and forestry department consists of a parks supervisor, a tree foreman, two truck drivers, a tree surgeon, four laborers, and uses about six additional temporary laborers during the grass cutting season. The Sanitation division employs a division foreman, one equipment operator, six laborers, and two dump maintenance men and is responsible for the garbage collection done by a contract. The last division is city cemeteries using a cemetery superintendent, two permanent laborers, and three temporary laborers part of the summer.

Aministrative Division

Budget: The total budget for the Public Works Department in 1958 amounted to \$825,000.

Complaints and Requests for Service: Over 2500 complaints or requests for services were recorded in this of-



Hammond street repaving

fice during the year. A great many other requests for information only, have been handled.

Requisitions and Field Purchase Orders: Approximately 800 requisitions were sent to the Purchasing Department and more than 4000 field purchase orders were issued during the year.

Payrolls: Weekly payrolls were made up for the crews in this department which varied from 94 to 130 men.

Transfers: The Public Works Department does work for other city departments which amounts to more than \$15,000 yearly. Charges for this work must be made, in detail, to the various departments and this requires a great amount of time by the office staff and the foremen on the jobs. Approximately 1100 Inter Account Transfers were made during the year.

Stores: A stores inventory amounting to about \$50,000 is maintained by the department in two sections. One section handles the garage parts and accessories and the other section takes care of the garage, gas and oil setup as well as the Public Works materials account which covers all outside maintenance jobs and construction projects.

Garage Division

The principal work of this division is to maintain all automotive equipment owned by the city other than equipment used by the Fire Department. The first three months of the year, most of the work was repair and maintenance of snow removal equipment, police cars, and other department vehicles. A compressor truck, acquired through Civil Defense, was completely checked, repaired and painted, and an Adams Grader that was badly damaged by fire was repaired and renovated. This was adjusted with the insurance company for more than one thousand dollars.

In April, summer equipment, such as tar distributor, sweepers, tractors, mowers, and sewer cleaner truck were removed from winter storage, checked, and readied for work. All city owned vehicles were inspected and State inspection stickers applied.

May, June and July were very active months for the department as the largest amount of equipment is being used and breakdowns and emergency repairs are frequent, requiring continuous work that never seems to be completed.

August and September are general maintenance months in the garage as work is still at its highest pitch with all divisions at full speed to take advantage of the construction season.

In October, the winter maintenance equipment was again readied. New cutting edges and plowing equipment are installed, while the summer equipment is again painted and stored for the winter months.

November and December are repair and adjustment time for the equipment that has had a hard summer's use, and much of it is in for more with the coming of snow, ice and cold weather.

Highway Division

This is the largest division of the public works department. The duties of this division are to construct and maintain the streets officially accepted by the city unless otherwise directed by the City Council.

Winter Maintenance: During 1958, the division plowed, sanded, salted and cleared the downtown areas after seventeen snow storms that deposited seventy-five inches of snow on our streets. Some 1,450 tons of salt, 5,267 tons of sand, and 50 tons of calcium chloride were spread to help winter traveling on our streets.

Summer Maintenance: In the spring much of this sand had to be swept up and hauled away from our streets. We used two motor sweepers, a rotary broom, a road flusher, and all of the department manpower that could be spared from other work. The regular spring work of taking in the snowfence, sandbarrels, signs, and boardwalks was completed. The floats that form the city landing were repaired and placed in the river. Garland Field and Bass Park were readied for the season.

The leaves were raked from the esplanades and picked up with our vacuum pickers and the snow loader. Most of the leaves were collected this year.

Work on country road drainage was done with property owners on Essex Street and Stillwater Avenue furnishing the department with new culverts to improve their entrances from the street. The department is pleased to install and maintain these culverts if the property owner will furnish them. The entrances from the street are for the use of the owner or tenant and cannot be furnished by the City.



Repaving on Central Street

Resurfacing was done on Central, Hammond Street, and Union Street with some hot patching at Forest Avenue, York Street, Cedar Street, and Fourteenth Street. The bituminous concrete or hot mix we made in our new plant, and we hope the mix will give us much longer life than we have been able to get before.

Surface treatment for the year used 143,875 gallons of asphalt and tar, or the equivalent of fourteen railroad tank cars. This year the bulk of this material was a blend of cutback asphalts. This material was used as we have difficulty in keeping traffic off the streets for the required time for the surfaces to cure. One hundred and eleven city streets in all were treated.

Patching: Throughout the entire year we were required to patch many holes in the streets, especially in streets that do not have any gravel base. This work used 3,817 tons of premixed asphalt and tar patch and many man hours of work.

Sidewalk Construction: The sidewalk construction and resurfacing planned for the year was completed with 12,970 linear feet on the east side and 9,910 linear feet on the west side surfaced. This is the first time in many years that the sidewalk program has been finished, and it was made possible this year by the efficiency of our new asphalt plant.

Street Construction: Construction work for the year included the extension of Hildreth Street and Thatcher Street, the completion of Farm Road, work on Harlow Street and Harlow Court. Hildreth and Thatcher Streets were excavated, drainage installed and gravel applied. Harlow Street was excavated and the base gravel applied. Farm Road was tarred and the shoulders seeded. The streets graveled, will be left for winter settlement as the city does not have the compacting equipment necessary to accomplish the needed compaction to build a roadway that will stand the use we expect these streets to get.

The snowfence was set out, the sand barrels filled and the city landing stored away for winter.

This division accomplished much of the work laid out for it. The weather determines to a great extent the amount of work that can be done in a season and whether or not our goals can be met.

Gravel Pit Division

Work started late in March with the removal of a quantity of top soil and dredging in the river to improve the water system. The plant was put into operation April 22, 1958, and closed November 17, 1958. The plant produced 21,569 cubic yards of sand and crushed rock. This is 3,000 yards more than was produced in 1957.

Asphalt Plant Division

The asphalt plant was put into operation in April to

Sewer Division

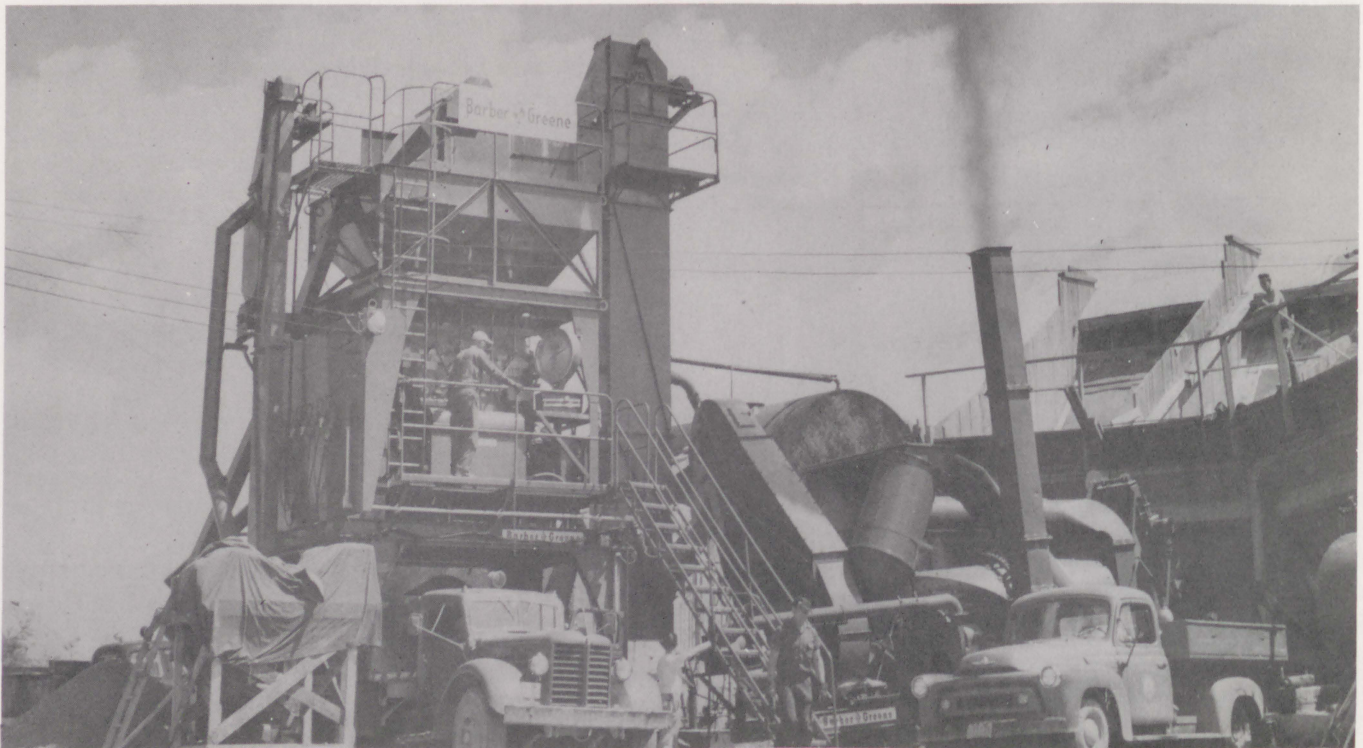
Sewer Maintenance: Repairs to existing sewers in the following city streets were made:

Elizabeth Avenue
Buck Street
Leighton Street
Wood Street
Fairfax Street
Carver Street

Forest Avenue
Fairview Street
Thirteenth Street
Harlow Street
Sixteenth Street
Smith Street

Sewers were cleaned and flushed in Brewster, Fountain, Thatcher, Broadway, Hammond, Third, Larkin, Wiley, Seventh, Eddyway, Smith Streets and Taylor and Nason Avenues.

This division worked on snow and kept the catchbasins open as much as possible during the winter months.



Bangor's new asphalt plant

mix 475 cubic yards of cold asphalt patch. In May another 475 yards were mixed.

During June the old mixing plant was torn down and the foundations laid for the new plant which arrived late in the month. The new plant was erected in July and started operating August 6, 1958.

During August the plant produced 3,123 tons of hot mix. In October the plant produced 1,047 tons of hot mix and 231 tons of cold mix. In November 114 tons of hot mix and 1,590 tons of cold mix were produced.

During November one car of blended tar and one car of cutback asphalt with no stripping additives were mixed into cold patch for winter and spring use. The plant was then serviced, painted where needed, and closed for the season.

Sewer Construction: The Silver Road sewer was excavated and encased in concrete where it crosses the new Interstate Highway. New sewer lines were laid in Bond and Buck Streets, Hildreth Street, Allen and Lane Streets, Alden Street and Silver Road. The Fernald Heights development sewer was started on Lancaster Avenue and Essex Street. This work was largely ledge excavation and progressed very slowly. December saw most of the ledge drilled and blown with the entire project less than half done.

The sewer division constructed nine new manholes, seventeen new catchbasins, and repaired eleven manholes and forty-five catchbasins. They made sixty-two new house connections and cleaned out 1,676 catchbasins.

There were several heavy rains during the year causing some water damage to sewers and cellars of private homes on Ohio Street and Wiley Street. The main sewers became blocked and the city had to clean several cellars.

The expansion of residential areas in the past few years is overtaking the present sewer system in many places. Soon consideration of separating the sanitary and storm water systems plus an eventual sewerage treatment plant must be started.

Parks and Forestry Division

This division worked on snow removal through March except for some tree work. Six trees were taken down and sixty-eight trees were trimmed.

During April all the parks and malls were cleared up, the splanades along the main arteries were raked, and winter plow damage was repaired. Tree work continued with ten large trees and fifteen small trees removed. Twenty-one trees were trimmed and thirty new trees were set out.

In May, June, and July the parks and malls used 640 man days to maintain. Thirteen trees were removed, 197 trees were trimmed and 24 new trees were planted.

Abbott Square parking lot was beautified by seeding the banks and planting shrubs.

In August, September and October the park crews worked 433 man days maintaining city parks, malls, esplanades, school grounds, and ballfields. Twenty-nine trees were removed and 195 trees were trimmed during this period.

In November and December the park crews worked on fall cleanup with the highway division while the tree crew cut down four trees and trimmed twenty-four. The remainder of the time they cut right-of-ways for Thatcher Street, Hildreth Street, and the Industrial Sewer.

Sanitation Division

The sanitation division worked on its regular biweekly schedule and collected 2,057 loads of rubbish during the year. The dump on the Kittridge Road was well maintained and the rubbish was covered with fill to protect tires.

The garbage was collected in a satisfactory manner by the contractor, Carl D. Farnsworth of Orono.

Cemetery Division

The cemetery division cared for the three city-owned cemeteries: Pine Grove, Maple Grove, and Oak Grove. Fifty burials were made during the year. The city owned section of Mount Hope Cemetery was contracted to the Mount Hope Cemetery Corporation and was well taken care of.



Harlow Street reconstruction

Schedule of Outstanding Municipal Debt

	General	School	Water	Total
1958 Outstanding Jan. 1	507,500	1,069,000	99,000	1,675,500
payments	57,600	107,900	17,000	182,500
1959 Outstanding Jan. 1	449,900	961,100	82,000	1,493,000
payments	44,100	103,900	17,000	165,000
1960 Outstanding Jan. 1	405,800	857,200	65,000	1,328,000
payments	44,100	101,900	17,000	163,000
1961 Outstanding Jan. 1	361,700	755,300	48,000	1,165,000
payments	44,100	99,900	17,000	161,000
1962 Outstanding Jan. 1	317,600	655,400	31,000	1,004,000
payments	44,100	99,900	17,000	161,000
1963 Outstanding Jan. 1	273,500	555,500	14,000	843,000
payments	42,500	99,500	7,000	149,000
1964 Outstanding Jan. 1	231,000	456,000	7,000	694,000
payments	42,500	82,500	7,000	132,000
1965 Outstanding Jan. 1	188,500	373,500		562,000
payments	32,500	76,500		109,000
1966 Outstanding Jan. 1	156,000	297,000		453,000
payments	25,000	33,000		58,000
1967 Outstanding Jan. 1	131,000	264,000		395,000
payments	21,000	33,000		54,000
1968 Outstanding Jan. 1	110,000	231,000		341,000
payments	11,000	33,000		44,000
1969 Outstanding Jan. 1	99,000	198,000		297,000
payments	11,000	33,000		44,000
1970 Outstanding Jan. 1	88,000	165,000		253,000
payments	11,000	33,000		44,000
1971 Outstanding Jan. 1	77,000	132,000		209,000
payments	11,000	33,000		44,000
1972 Outstanding Jan. 1	66,000	99,000		165,000
payments	11,000	33,000		44,000
1973 Outstanding Jan. 1	55,000	66,000		121,000
payments	11,000	33,000		44,000
1974 Outstanding Jan. 1	44,000	33,000		77,000
payments	11,000	33,000		44,000
1975 Outstanding Jan. 1	33,000			33,000
payments	11,000			11,000
1976 Outstanding Jan. 1	22,000			22,000
payments	11,000			11,000
1977 Outstanding Jan. 1	11,000			11,000
payments	11,000			11,000

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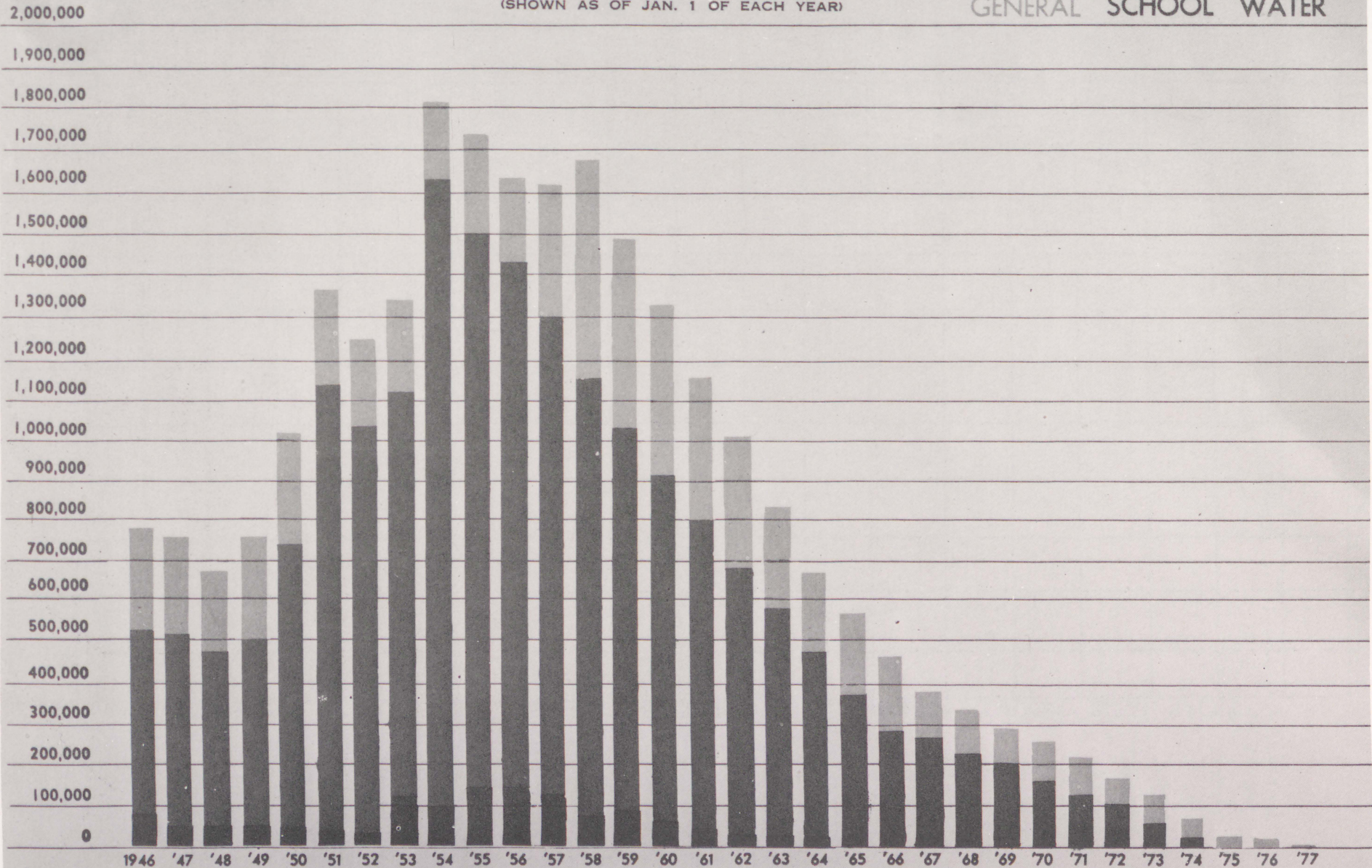
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SCHEDULE OF OUTSTANDING DEBT

(SHOWN AS OF JAN. 1 OF EACH YEAR)

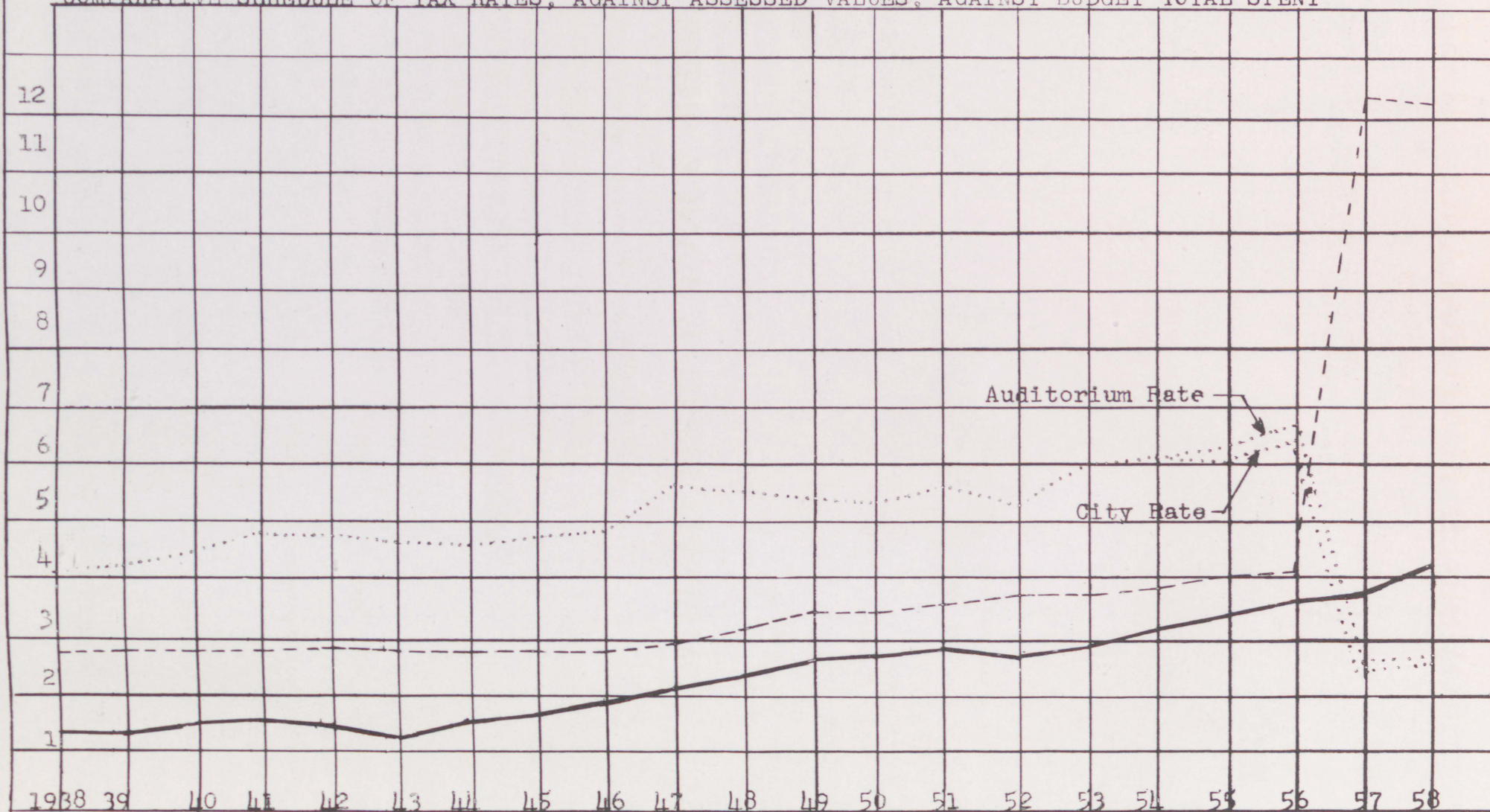
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GENERAL SCHOOL WATER



CITY OF BANGOR

COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF TAX RATES, AGAINST ASSESSED VALUES, AGAINST BUDGET TOTAL SPENT



..... Tax Rate, Tens of Dollars

----- Assessed Value, Tens of Millions

———— Total Budget, in Millions

COMBINED FUND BALANCE SHEET

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1958

RESOURCES	General Fund	Trust and Agency Fund	Municipal Debt Fund	Fixed Asset Fund	Grand Total All Funds
Cash on Hand and Deposit	157,118.62	79,220.88			236,339.50
Postage Meter Fund	500.00				500.00
Savings Accounts		44,150.93			44,150.93
Securities		245,500.00			245,500.00
Custody of Kirstein Fund Trustees		15,975.71			15,975.71
Hersey Fund Investment in City Hall		100,000.00			100,000.00
Accounts Receivable	69,692.15				69,692.15
Town Road Improvement Fund	15,699.10				15,699.10
Due From Bangor Water District			82,000.00		82,000.00
Taxes Receivable	240,368.64				240,368.64
Taxes Receivable—Deeds and Liens	15,352.27				15,352.27
Accounts Receivable—Sewer Deeds	5,873.02				5,873.02
Office Supplies—Inventory	969.64				969.64
Public Works—Inventory	6,587.02				6,587.02
Ordinance Revision Account	1,906.75				1,906.75
City Property Tax Deeds				7,235.64	7,235.64
Fixed Property				9,318,894.18	9,318,894.18
To Be Provided in Future Periods			1,411,000.00		1,411,000.00
TOTAL RESOURCES	\$514,067.21	\$484,847.52	\$1,493,000.00	\$9,326,129.82	\$11,818,044.55

COMBINED FUND BALANCE SHEET

AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1958

LIABILITIES & RESERVES					
Notes Payable			92,000.00		92,000.00
Bonds Outstanding			1,401,000.00		1,401,000.00
Motor Excise Taxes—Prepaid	15,767.38				15,767.38
Off Street Parking Fund	22,146.67				22,146.67
Police and Fire Services	184.60*				184.60*
Storage Space Construction Fund	14,001.00				14,001.00
School Building Construction Fund	4,982.00				4,982.00
Reserve for Town Road Improvement	15,699.10				15,699.10
Reserve for Encumbrances	242,080.71				242,080.71
Reserve for Miscellaneous		484,847.52			484,847.52
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	12,212.02				12,212.02
Investment in Fixed Assets				9,326,129.82	9,326,129.82
Surplus	187,362.93				187,362.93
TOTAL LIABILITIES & RESERVES	\$514,067.21	\$484,847.52	\$1,493,000.00	\$9,326,129.82	\$11,818,044.55

*Deduct

Statement of Revenue—Estimated and Actual

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1958

	Estimated Revenue	Total Revenue
TAXES—CURRENT YEAR'S LEVY		
Real Property	\$2,506,035.00	\$2,557,985.36
Personal Property	675,566.00	635,821.88
Polls	17,000.00	19,074.00
Total Taxes Current Year's Levy	3,198,601.00	3,212,881.24
TAXES—PRIOR YEARS and OTHER LOCAL		
Taxes—Prior Years Levies	73,500.00	135,467.79
Tax Deeds and Sale of Property	12,400.00	14,348.86
Other Local Taxes & Penalties	243,800.00	249,515.82
Total Taxes Prior Years and Other Local	320,700.00	399,332.47
LICENSES and PERMITS		
For Street Use	60,000.00	59,894.54
Street Privileges and Permits	1,070.00	1,093.36
Business Licenses	1,600.00	1,585.00
Police and Protective	2,105.00	2,560.50
Amusements	860.00	495.00
Professional and Occupational	390.00	265.50
Non-Business Licenses and Permits	3,380.00	3,269.94
Total Licenses and Permits	69,405.00	69,163.84
FINES, FORFEITS and PENALTIES		
Fines and Court Fees	24,000.00	25,153.40
Total Fines, Forfeits and Penalties	24,000.00	25,153.40
USE OF MONEY and PROPERTY		
Misc. Rent and Concessions	5,600.00	11,729.58
New Auditorium	53,250.00	44,390.92
Total Use of Money and Property	58,850.00	56,120.50
FROM OTHER AGENCIES		
State Shared Taxes	32,100.00	31,513.26
State Grants in Aid	195,580.00	178,342.04
Federal Grants in Aid	81,750.00	66,790.00
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	1,774.00	1,773.60
Total From Other Agencies	311,204.00	278,418.90
CHARGES FOR CURRENT SERVICES		
General Government	8,460.00	10,528.50
Safety	1,560.00	1,412.48
Highway	400.00	553.94
Sanitation	24,000.00	8,437.68
Health	1,800.00	2,258.50
Hospital	63,050.00	86,820.99
Schools	37,800.00	45,559.79
Cemeteries	8,800.00	6,319.48
Public Buildings	18,925.00	20,029.76
Total Charges for Current Services	164,795.00	181,921.12
TRANSFERS FROM OTHER FUNDS		
Surplus	35,000.00	35,000.00
Garland Street Field Fund	1,000.00	333.46
Total Transfers From Other Funds	36,000.00	35,333.46
REIMBURSEMENTS		
General Government	445.00	676.99
Welfare	16,000.00	27,309.60
Electrical and Public Works	100,000.00	44,907.79
Total Reimbursements	116,445.00	72,894.38
GRAND TOTAL—REVENUE	\$4,300,000.00	\$4,331,219.31

Appropriations, Expenditures and Unexpended Balance

Operating Expenditures

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1958

Department or Appropriator Title	Appropriation	Other Credits	Total Available	Total Disbursements & Encumbrances
Legislative	\$5,570.00		5,750.00	5,401.31
Executive	19,833.00	170.00	20,003.00	20,009.32
City Clerk	22,760.00	249.00	23,009.00	22,849.55
Finance	50,689.00	232.00	50,921.00	50,098.20
Registration of Voters	9,173.00	99.00	9,272.00	9,348.49
Assessment	24,531.00	268.00	24,799.00	23,738.46
Treasury	19,570.00	185.00	19,755.00	18,586.53
Purchasing	9,040.00	91.00	9,131.00	8,681.96
Planning	9,392.00	139.00	9,531.00	8,997.62
Legal	5,420.00		5,420.00	6,535.19
Engineering	29,423.00	337.00	29,760.00	28,324.60
Personnel	1,889.00	19.00	1,908.00	1,853.34
Civil Service Commission	400.00		400.00	
Industrial Development	34,694.00	94.00	34,788.00	33,368.37
Police	267,139.00	2,902.00	270,041.00	261,947.34
Fire	333,701.00	3,740.00	337,441.00	326,568.08
Electrical	82,932.00	506.00	83,438.00	79,419.37
Sealer of Weights and Meas.	100.00		100.00	
Inspection	18,577.00	209.00	18,786.00	18,647.60
Civil Defense	1,220.00		1,220.00	748.60
Hospital and Home	48,950.00	28,882.00	77,832.00	96,003.04
Health	43,363.00	409.00	43,772.00	39,958.79
Welfare	131,156.00	207.00	131,363.00	110,604.52
Recreation	53,686.00	362.00	54,048.00	55,554.14
Public Buildings	46,471.00	254.00	46,725.00	45,916.08
Municipal Auditorium	66,503.00	203.00	66,706.00	56,695.18
Public Works	499,919.00	4,443.00	504,362.00	497,949.61
Pensions & Group Insurance	98,700.00		98,700.00	89,572.30
Contingent	3,850.00		3,850.00	
Debt Service	94,485.00		94,485.00	94,321.15
Taxes Paid to County	105,600.00		105,600.00	99,000.00
Education	1,550,000.00	1,575.00	1,551,570.00	1,579,754.68
Public Library	40,164.00	1,275.00	41,439.00	41,439.00
TOTAL—OPERATING BUDGET	\$3,728,900.00	\$ 46,845.00	\$3,775,745.00	\$3,731,892.42

Capital Expenditures

Legislative	\$ 30.00		30.00	29.40
City Clerk	140.00		140.00	129.56
Finance	80.00		80.00	60.00
Assessment	420.00		420.00	420.00
Treasury	625.00		625.00	563.84
Purchasing	190.00		190.00	170.04
Planning	355.00		355.00	355.00
Engineering	5,800.00	2,123.91	7,923.91	7,829.51
Industrial Development	455.00	1,193.16	1,648.16	1,632.51
Police	10,880.00	3,055.00	13,935.00	10,839.77
Fire	7,316.00		7,316.00	6,187.14
Electrical	38,721.00	800.00	39,521.00	38,857.96
Inspection	50.00		50.00	43.12
Civil Defense	800.00		800.00	792.25
Hospital and Home	26,600.00	24,000.00	50,600.00	50,598.95
Health	400.00		400.00	301.68
Welfare	275.00		275.00	155.63
Recreation	2,300.00	1,267.50	3,567.50	3,634.05
Public Buildings	11,650.00	344.64	11,994.64	3,481.13
Municipal Auditorium	4,382.00	15,000.00	19,382.00	16,323.98
Public Works	315,255.00	12,606.63	327,861.63	321,014.16
Education		57,047.12	57,047.12	57,047.12
TOTAL—CAPITAL BUDGET	\$ 426,724.00	117,437.96	544,161.96	520,466.80
TOTAL—OPERATING BUDGET	\$3,728,900.00	46,845.00	3,775,745.00	3,731,892.42
TOTAL—APPROPRIATION ACCT'S	\$4,155,624.00	164,282.96	4,319,906.96	4,252,359.22
RESERVE	60,000.00		60,000.00	60,000.00
OVERLAY	8,270.00		8,270.00	8,270.00
RECREATION DISTRICT TAX	76,106.00		76,106.00	76,106.00
TOTAL BUDGET REQUIREMENTS	\$4,300,000.00	\$ 164,282.96	\$4,464,282.96	\$4,396,735.22

QC REPORT

February 12, 1959 is the 125th Anniversary of the incorporation of Bangor as a city.

In April of 1957 a group of Bangor citizens joined together to discuss the possibility of celebrating this anniversary. The result wasn't just a plan for a celebration for one day, or a week, or even a month — it was a gala tremendous year-long celebration aimed at commemorating the City of Bangor's 125th Birthday and providing the State of Maine and New England with the biggest promotion and fun-filled event in their history. It is believed that this is the first time that a city has devoted an entire year to such an observance.

The committee has raised approximately \$100,000 in private subscriptions and the City Council has allocated \$46,740 to the project. The funds are being spent in promoting and advertising Bangor and the 125th Anniversary Program.

The slogan for the year is the aim of the program — A Bigger, Better, Busier Bangor.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS 125th Anniversary Year

Community Carol Singing and Nativity Scene
Bonfire of 13,000 Christmas Trees and Fireworks
Downeast Classic (College Basketball Tournament)
Historical Exhibits Open—Bangor Public Library
Erection of Street Banners and Decorations
Bangor Daily News Sports Award Dinner
Three Outstanding Young Men Award Dinner
Presentation of World's Largest Paul Bunyan Statue
Paul Bunyan Days
Anniversary Birthday Cake Baking Contest
Lincoln-Hamlin and Bangor Birthday Celebration
WGUY Homemakers Exposition
State High School Basketball Tournament
Sportsman's Show
Ice Capades
Paint-up, Clean-up, Fix-up Campaign
Easter Sunrise Service
Notre Dame Glee Club Concert
All State High School Music Festival
Bangor Civic Theatre Presents "Streetcar Named Desire"
Shrine Circus
Bangor Savoyards Present "Oklahoma"
Maypole Dance Festival
Eastern Maine High School Music Festival
Cub Scout Show
Salute to Armed Forces
Gene Holter's Wild Animal Show
Maine Dairy Princess Contest
Dairy Month Celebration
Opening of Anniversary Exhibition Building and Kiddieland
Daily Tourist Tours
Soap Box Derby
Pyrotechnic Extravaganza "Out of the Darkness"
Salute to Atlantic Provinces
Chamber of Commerce and Civic Organization Day
National A. A. U. Jr. Amateur Track and Field Meet

Dec. 12-24, 1958
Dec. 31, 1958
Dec. 31-Jan. 3
All Year
Jan. 2
Jan. 17
Jan. 24
Jan. 29
Jan. 29-Feb. 1
Feb. 11
Feb. 12
Feb. 19-21
Feb. 23-March 7
March 9-14
March 17-22
April, May and June
March 29
April 1
April 1-4
April 8, 9, 10
April 17, 18
April 30 and May 1
May 1 and 2
May 9
May 16
May 23 and 24
May 28-30
May 29
June 1-30
June 1-Sept. 7
June 1-Sept. 7
June 13
June 27-July 5
June 29, 30 and July 1
July 1
July 3 and 4

Homecoming, Salmon Roast, International Outdoor Cooking Contest	July 4
Outboard Marathon	July 11
Outboard Speedboat Racing	July 12
Night Harness Racing	July 27-Aug. 1
Little League State Championship	Aug. 1
Famous Bangor Fair	Aug. 3-8
Paul Bunyan State Open Golf Tournament (Largest in New England)	Aug. 19-23
Historical Pageant	Aug. 29-Sept. 4
Professional Football Game — Giants and Packers	Sept. 5
State of Maine Softball Playoffs	Sept. 6-13
Business — Industry — Education Week	Oct. 5-9
Industrial Recognition Banquet	Oct. 9
Halloween Parade and Celebration (Square Dance Jamboree)	Oct. 31
Spectacular Santa Claus Parade	Nov. 27
Community Carol Singing and Nativity Scene	Dec. 11-23
Christmas Lighting Contest	Christmas Week
Downeast Classic	
Burying of Time Capsule	Dec. 31

CONVENTIONS IN '59

Maine Federation of Women's Clubs	Jan. 21-22
Maine Mission Rally — Maine Baptist Women's Association	Feb. 5-6
Maine Pharmaceutical Association	Date TBA
Disabled American Veterans	May 1-2
Congregational Christian Conference	May 5-6
Maine Health Council	May 13
Maine Elks and Emblem Clubs	May 22-24
Maine VFW	June 5-7
American Institute of Electrical Engineers	June 18-19
State American Legion Convention	June 26-28
Columbian Squires	Date TBA
Amateur Radio Ham Fest	July 20-21
Northeastern Shrine Association	Sept. 11-12
Maine Library Association	Sept. 24-25
Eastern State Teachers Association	Oct. 1-2
Maine Congress of Parents and Teachers	Oct. 22-23
New England Jaycees	Oct. 23-25
Maine Hotel Association	Date TBA
State Tuberculosis Association	Date TBA



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37 FOUNTAIN ST.
BANGOR, MAINE

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Emergency Calls	Fire 2-8211	Police 7382	Ambulance 2-8211
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