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## Annual Report, Bangor, Maine: 1959

City of Bangor, Maine

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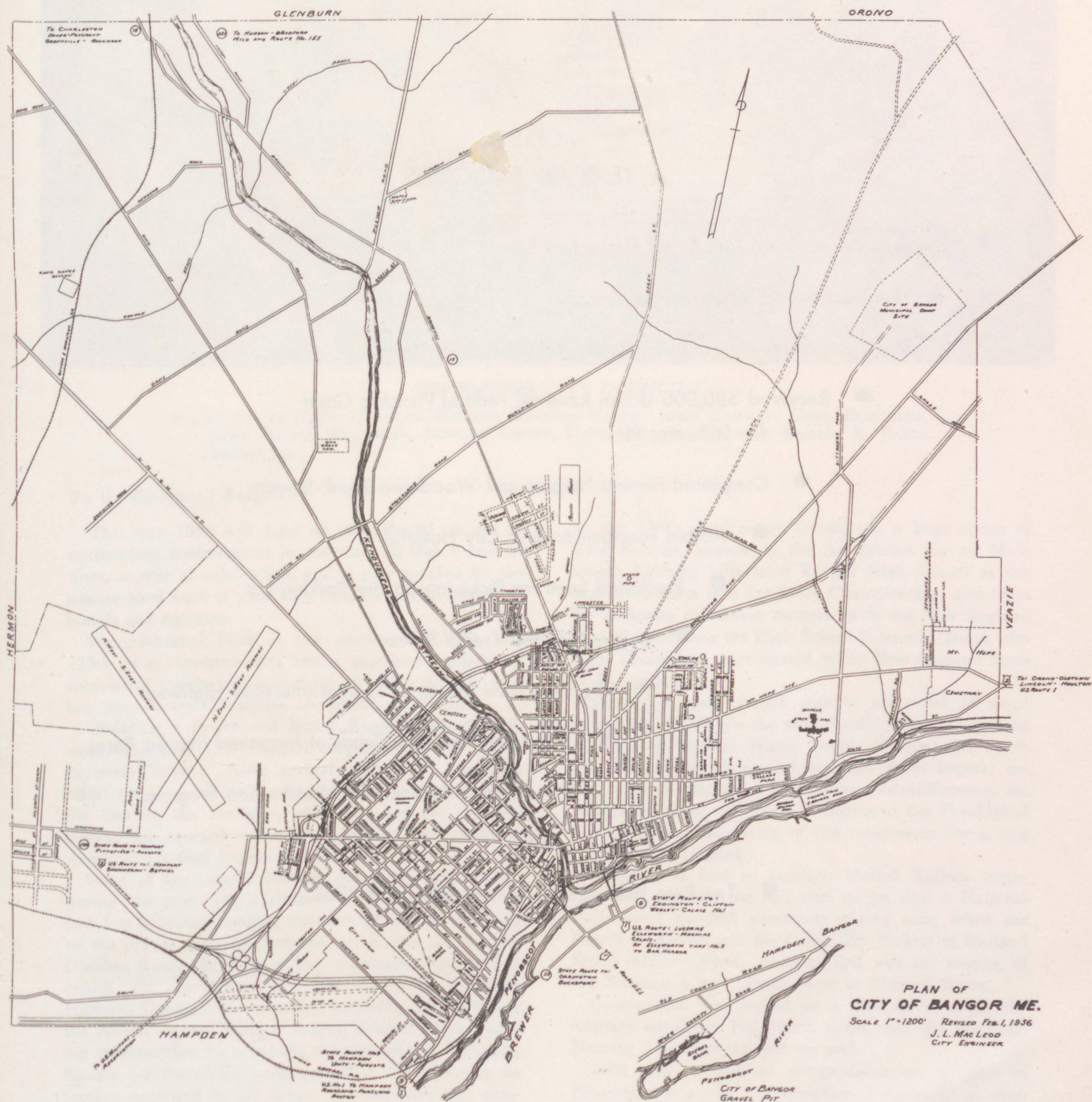
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# This Is Your City



1959  
A YEAR OF PROGRESS

- Began Construction of 14th Street Elementary School
- Purchased Land for New High School
- Installed Sprinklers in all Schools Not Already Sprinkled
- Received \$80,000 Urban Renewal Federal Planning Grant for Stillwater Park
- Completed Fernald Heights and Woodlawn Trunk Sewers
- Added Fourteen Beds at City Hospital
- Purchased Land for Pickering Square Parking Lot
- Began \$50,000 Traffic Survey
- Opened New Industrial Spur of Interstate Highway
- Reinvested All Trust Funds at Increased Interest Rates
- Continued Street Light Renovation Program and
- Tax Rate Held at \$26.00, the same as in 1958.

# Your City Council Reports

1959 Expenditures:  
Operating

\$5,761.01



1959 BANGOR CITY COUNCIL

*Seated left to right:* CHARLES HIGGINS, EDWARD KEITH, JOHN CARNEY, CARL BLAISDELL, JOHN BARRY, CHAIRMAN, EDWARD GROSS, CARL DELANO, CLIFFORD BAILEY, E. EARLE BROWN, JR.

## *To the Citizens of Bangor:*

The year 1959 will long be remembered as one of outstanding achievements in our city. It was a year of firsts, a year of celebration, and a year marked by the sincere hard work of your City Council and its associated boards and agencies.

We celebrated 1959 as our Anniversary Year, our 125th as a chartered city, and a year-long program of superlative events was staged by an energetic and tireless Anniversary Committee of industrious citizens.

"Building a Better and Busier Bangor" was the byword, and your City Council cooperated to the fullest in every respect. After several months of strenuous effort the Council, for the first time in seven years, held the line on the tax rate, and there was no increase, despite an upward adjustment on all City employee wages, and a final budget of \$4,752,552.

Some of the official business passed by the Council during the year was a revision of the annual License and Fee Schedule; adding undedicated streets and ways to the official map; the adoption of a new set of Sub-Division Rules and Regulations; a complete informative census; the approval of a Traffic Survey by the State Highway Commission; acquiring properties for enlarging the Abbott Square Parking Annex; further facing parking responsibility by acquiring a large area in Pickering Square for downtown parking, and a site that may be further employed in the future by ramp parking; complete sprinkling of all unsprinkled public schools; approved the ground work for a new Electrical Department; received an appropriation from the Federal Government for an Urban Renewal Planning Survey of the Stillwater Avenue area; and approved the reinvestment of all Trust Funds for a realistic future as to additional income. This was part of the major legislation passed by the 1959 Council.

Some of the important highlights of the year included the presentation to the City of a spectacular attraction

by the 125th Anniversary Committee, a huge statue of Paul Bunyan, located on the Auditorium site on Main street; birthday gifts from Bangor High School as the basketball team won the State Championship, and went on to Boston to become runners-up in the New England playoffs; and then the High School Dramatic Group, also State Champions, participated in the New England finals at Connecticut.

Hardly a week passed without an event of some magnitude. 1959 saw the official dedication and opening of our new upland Water Supply System; the opening of the new Hammond to Main street bypass; expansion and opening of new business establishments; the dedication of the new library building at the Theological Seminary; and the laying of the cornerstone for a new Osteopathic Hospital.

Bangor was host to eighteen United Nations correspondents, and for the first time in the state a National Professional Football game was played here, when the New York Giants met the Green Bay Packers at Garland Street Athletic Field. Another first was the staging of the National A.A.U. Track Meet at Garland Street.

Construction was started on a new eleven room elementary school on Fourteenth street, and the Capehart Housing Development was opened.

1959 was a year of accomplishments, a year of progress, and a year of celebration. To provide an overall insight into the many events of the year, your Council Chairman participated in sixty-four occasions during a ten month period from January to November 1st.

With sincerest and heartfelt thanks to all who so unselfishly donated their time, talent, and efforts to 1959, we remain

Respectfully,

JOHN T. BARRY, *Chairman*  
Bangor City Council

# Your City Manager Reports

Employees:

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1959 Expenditures:

Operating

\$23,936.13

Capital

313.75

*To the Honorable City Council and Citizens of Bangor:*

It is with sincere pleasure that I present this 1959 Annual Report of the City of Bangor covering the 125th Anniversary of the incorporation of the City and the 27th year of operation of the city government under the Council-Manager plan.

## FINANCIAL CONDITION

Bangor ended the year 1959 in a very sound financial condition. There was an unappropriated surplus of \$221,921.98 and the City had established general fund reserves of more than \$602,735.38.

As of December 31st, total outstanding debt amounted to \$2,183,000. Of this amount \$1,372,200 was school debt, \$745,800 was general debt and \$65,000 was water debt. This, of course, is exclusive of the \$1,118,000 still outstanding for Recreation District debt on the new auditorium.

During 1959, \$165,000 in long-term debt was amortized and \$855,000 in new long-term indebtedness was obligated.

For the taxable year 1959, the assessed valuation based on approximately 85% of current replacement value was \$125,001,800. The tax rate for 1959 was \$26.00 per thousand of which \$25.40 was for city purposes and \$.60 for the Recreation District tax.

## 1959 PROGRESS

The year 1959 saw continuing progress in many areas of municipal activity.

1. *Parking.* Property was acquired and funds appropriated for the construction of Pickering Square Parking Lot which will accommodate an additional 104 cars, and for an addition to the Abbott Square Annex on Harlow Court which will accommodate approximately 35 more cars. Construction was begun on both of these projects and by the close of the year all the buildings in the Pickering Square Parking Lot with the exception of the Wilson building had been demolished and 42 temporary spaces had been installed here. The additional 62 spaces will be constructed in the spring when the last building is removed.

The Adler Hotel lot was metered with the installation of 34 two-hour spaces and 19 all day spaces.

During the summer, the entire procedure for the issuance of parking tickets was changed, with the installation of an envelope-type ticket for the convenience of parking violators and revision of the parking ordinances in accordance with newly revised State Statutes.

2. *Traffic.* The opening of the Industrial Spur from the Interstate System to Main Street in October relieved the downtown traffic substantially. By year's end, the Spur was carrying approximately 6,000 cars per day.

The State is in the process of constructing Mount Hope Avenue from the Hogan Road to State Street and Hogan Road from Mount Hope Avenue to Stillwater Ave. as State Aid highways to provide access to the Interstate System.



CITY MANAGER JOSEPH R. COUPAL, JR.

\$5,000.00 was appropriated by the City of Bangor to match \$50,000 in State and Federal funds for a complete traffic survey of the greater Bangor area. The study is being conducted by the firm of Edwards and Kelcey and should be completed early in fiscal 1960.

3. *Schools.* In early 1959, the City purchased 41 acres of land on Outer Broadway as a site for the new high school and subsequently engaged the firm of Eaton Tabell, Inc. as architects and Dr. William R. Wilson as educational consultant for the construction of this facility. At year's end, the preliminary plans for the high school were partially completed.

The contract for the Fourteenth Street Elementary School was let during the year and at the year's end the project was approximately 10% complete.

Capehart School construction was continued during the year and while not a city project will have a substantial impact upon the school building needs of the city.

During the spring of 1959, the City Council appropriated \$90,000 for the installation of sprinkler systems in all those schools which had not yet been sprinkled and by year's end the installation was nearly completed.

4. *Health, Welfare and Recreation.* At the City Hospital, expansion continued with the addition of 14 beds, making a total of 80 approved bed spaces in this institution.

In the Health Department, the housing inspection service was improved by the addition of a new Housing Inspector.

In the Recreation Department, a new playground was added at Dow Air Force Base, the cost of which is supported by Dow. Garland Street field track was completely reconstructed and was the scene of A.A.U. Junior Track Meet in July.

In the Welfare Department, expenditures were cut substantially during 1959 in part due to an increase in categorical aid from the State for nursing home cases.

5. *Industrial Development.* During 1959, twenty new

commercial buildings were started in the city valued at nearly three-quarters of a million dollars. The construction of Farm Road Extension through Thatcher Street and at both ends of Perry Road and a section of Curtis Street all serving the general industrial park area was commenced.

Progress on the Industrial Park sewer was far from satisfactory but it is estimated that the project should be completed by mid summer of 1960.

6. *Residential Development.* There were 58 new housing starts in the City of Bangor during 1959. This is a comparatively small number but it is probably due to the fact that there is a substantial amount of residential building activity being carried on by the Federal Government in its Capehart Housing projects.

Two new housing developments were approved during the year, one on Mount Hope Avenue and one on Fernald Heights. These offer good prospects for substantially increased private construction in the years to come.

7. *Electric Department.* The change-over in the Electric Department operation in accordance with the Parsons-Crosby report was partially completed in fiscal 1959. Changes in the building were completed in December and specifications for the installation of automatic switch gear were prepared.

The 1959 street lighting program was completed with the installation of mercury vapor lights on Main Street from The Interstate Spur to May Street.

The Main Street underground fire alarm cable from Hammond to Union Street was installed.

8. *Planning and Urban Renewal.* Application was filed for a Federal Advance Planning grant for the Stillwater Park area and in December of 1959, this was approved in the amount of \$79,540. This clears the way for a complete planning project in 1960 of the Stillwater Park area for redevelopment.

The Planning Department is revising the entire zoning ordinance for the city and the revisions will be ready for Council early in 1960. A complete list of city-owned real estate was compiled and that needed for city purposes has been retained with the rest being advertised for sale.

The Planning Department prepared a set of subdivision rules and regulations which were adopted by Council in 1959.

9. *Public Works.* A substantial amount of new Public Works construction was carried on in 1959. This included:

a) *Street Construction.* The Highway Division constructed Harlow Street, paved Main Street and began the construction of Thatcher Street, Harlow Court and both ends of Perry Road. In addition, a substantial amount of drainage work was completed on the country roads and a quarter of a million gallons of tar and asphalt were applied to city streets and country roads. 22,000 feet of sidewalk were constructed during 1959.

b) *Sewers.* Two major trunk sewers, one serving the Fernald Heights area and the other the Woodlawn subdivision were completed during the year. Corrective sewer work was also completed in the Fourteenth Street area to alleviate the cellar flooding that occurred in that area.

A new sewer stub underneath the Interstate Highway near Stillwater Avenue was completed to provide access to the sewer system for the area lying north-erly of the Interstate System on Stillwater Avenue. Miscellaneous short extensions to this sewer system were completed during the year on Allen Street, Otis Street, Curtis Street and Hildreth Street.

Progress on the Industrial Park trunk sewer was not satisfactory but it is hoped that this will be completed by mid summer of 1960.

c) *Public Works Garage.* Construction was begun on the storage building in the rear of the Public Works garage during the fall of 1959 and should be completed in early 1960.

10. *Investment Procedures.* The reinvestment of city trust funds was completed during 1959 after a thorough study by the Finance Committee and an advisory committee of bankers from the three commercial banks. The reinvestment will result in a \$1,000 appreciation of principal, and an increase in annual income of approximately \$3,100 each year.

11. *Census.* The Assessing Department completed the first thorough local census to be taken in the city in many years and showed a population of 37,100 people as of August, 1959.

### LOOKING AHEAD TO '60

In 1960, the city faces several major problems which must receive immediate attention if the city is to grow and develop. These, somewhat in the order of priority established by the administration, are as follows:

1. *School Building.* Satisfactory progress has been made in the past year on this problem but construction of the two elementary schools must be pushed to an early completion date. Final plans and specifications should be developed during 1960 for the new high school and a start made on the construction of this new facility.

2. *Downtown Redevelopment and Parking.* While the city will have added approximately 135 parking spaces during 1959 and metered several previously free parking spaces, the needs continue to increase more rapidly than they are being met. Parking programs for 1960 should include the following:

- a) Complete the Pickering Square Parking Lot.
- b) Complete the Abbott Square Annex Parking Lot.
- c) Revise the on-street meter regulations in the higher valued retail business area.
- d) Lay the ground work for the construction for additional off-street parking facilities.

It is the administrations recommendation that serious consideration be given to reopening the possibility of the construction of the Kenduskeag Stream parking project. This, it seems, is the most important project that could be undertaken in downtown Bangor in 1960. This would not only provide more than 300 additional parking spaces but would give the downtown shopping district a badly needed face lifting as well as eliminating a major sewage problem at the same time.

3. *Streets and Traffic.* Programs for improving the traffic pattern and reconstructing streets in the City of Bangor will depend to a great extent on the results of the Edwards and Kelcey traffic engineering report.

However, with reference to traffic problems, it seems important to spot light at least a few of these that will certainly need attention and should be considered as soon as the results of the survey are obtained;

- a) The intersection of Main Street and Railroad Street.
- b) The completion of the Washington Street-Hancock Street circumferential by-pass.
- c) The installation of a new traffic light system providing for synchronized traffic lights and pedestrian "walk and wait" controls.
- d) The construction of the Fourteenth Street Extension, and the reconstruction of Valley Avenue and Morses Bridge.
- e) The improvement of the intersection of Famm Road and Main Street and the widening of Farm Road.

With reference to street reconstruction programs, attention should be given the following:

- a) A paving program for all main arteries including Main, Ohio, Union and State Streets.
- b) The construction of additional sections of Perry Road and other Industrial Park Streets.
- c) The construction of Hewey Street and the reconstruction of Hudson Road.
- d) The reconstruction and widening of Columbia Street.
- e) The reconstruction of Thatcher Street.
- f) The construction of Odlin Road with federal funds.
- g) The reconstruction of roads servicing the Base and the Capehart housing road with federal funds.

4. *Sidewalk Construction.* For the past several years about 20,000 feet of residential sidewalk have been built each year financed completely from tax resources. With the establishment by the Planning Department of a point system priority basis for the construction of both residential and downtown commercial sidewalks, it seems important that consideration be given to a speedup of this program. It is recommended that 20,000 feet of residential sidewalk construction be continued each year with an additional 10,000 feet of downtown sidewalk to be constructed on a 50-50 assessment basis.

5. *Sewers.* The condition of the presently existing sewer system and the needs for expansion of the sewer system are among the most pressing and costly problems facing the City of Bangor. The existing system is in places 125 to 150 years old and not only badly deteriorated but in many instances overloaded. This results in numerous sewer failures requiring substantial corrective work. In addition the city is facing increasing pressures for the expansion of the sewer system to the north and east of the downtown area and these cannot be served by the present gravity system. Therefore, the first and most important recommendation of the administration is that a master sewer survey be made by an expert engineering consulting firm that would lay out the master sewer system for that part of the city which is not presently sewered and would make recommendations for corrective action on the present sewer system. As a prerequisite for this, there must, of course, be topographical maps prepared and this should be part of the 1960 program.

Other specific sewers which will have to be constructed during 1960 include the completion of the Industrial Park trunk sewer, the construction of the Industrial Park trunk extension, the reconstruction of Davis Brook trunk sewer at Main Street and the construction of an extension on Forest Avenue.

6. *Electric Department.* The recommendations included in the Parsons and Crosby report including the completion of the installation of automatic switch gear at the substation, the realignment of circuits and the installation of pole mounted transformers should be completed in 1960. There should also be an increased emphasis on street lighting with an expanded renovation program of the street lighting system.

7. *Voting Machines.* It is again recommended that the Council give serious consideration to the acquisition of voting machines for the city.

8. *Recreation Facilities.* An item of \$100,000.00 has been recommended in the 1960 Capital Improvement Fund Budget for the construction of the West Side Swimming Pool. The East Side Pool is now so overloaded that children were turned away on 16 days during the 1959 swimming season.

9. *Personnel Program.* It has for some time been the opinion of the administration that the City of Bangor is not getting full value for the dollar spent on personnel and that this is primarily the fault of the organization and not of the employees. It has been recommended that a full time personnel director be hired to improve the recruitment process, provide an in-service training program, and set up employee recognition programs. It is also recommended that the pay plan which has not been reviewed by an outside agency since 1954 be submitted to another periodic review in 1960 to determine whether or not it is still equitable.

10. *Recreation Program to the Aged.* More and more the problems of the aged will continue to require the attention of municipal officials. One program which seems to have possible success is the establishment of a day care program for the aged at the City Hospital. As a first step in this program, the Recreation Department will coordinate its activities with the Hospital during 1960 to establish such a program.

11. *Records Retention.* In the 1960 Budget, it is recommended that microfilm equipment be purchased and installed in the Central Duplicating office so that municipal records might be microfilmed instead of retained in their present form. This would not only be a safeguard for valuable records but would also be a major space saver in reducing the bulk of records that would have to be kept.

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 1959 and to the department heads and employees of the city for the excellent job they have done in performing the mission of this organization.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH R. COUPAL, JR., *City Manager*

# City Clerk

Jay E. Alley, City Clerk

Number of Employees:	4½
1959 Expenditures:	
Operating	\$19,612.59
Capital	213.37



It is interesting to note the increase in births reported for 1959, approximately 5% more than was reported for 1958. Should this trend continue for another 14 years, that is, each year increase over the previous year by 5%, the births would be double the number reported this year.

Following are the comparative vital statistics as reported for the past two years:

	1959	1958
Births	2,685	2,553
Deaths	812	706
Marriages	425	517

Recording of personal property purchased on the

installment payment plan continues to increase each year, as shown below:

Year	Recordings
1956	4,594
1957	5,079
1958	6,213
1959	6,407

There were 24 regular meetings of the City Council during the year. A total of 296 orders, ordinances and resolves, in addition to numerous applications and permits, was considered.

Only one election was held during the year, the Annual Municipal Election. A total of 3,803 votes was cast. This is rather difficult to understand, at the Municipal Election held in 1909, when only the men voted, there were 4,218 votes cast.

## Finance Department

Jay E. Alley, City Auditor

Number of Employees:	5½
1959 Expenditures:	
Operating	\$49,748.25
Capital	4,992.00

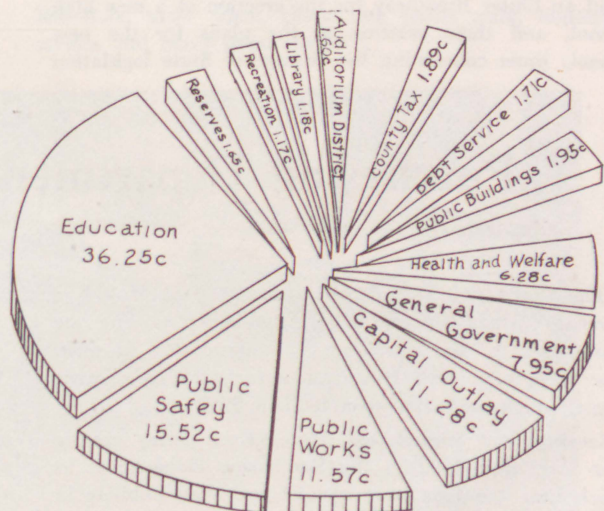
The Auditing Division, one of five within this department, maintains the central accounting system for the City. This includes accounting for all revenues and expenditures, appropriations, trust funds, and all financial accounts and transactions.

Each month, this division furnishes, to all other departments within the city, a complete financial statement showing the amount of each appropriation, the unencumbered balance, the outstanding encumbrances, the amount disbursed during the month and the total disbursed during the year to date.

A complete equipment record was established during the year; one set of cards is on file in the respective department and another in the Auditor's office.

The method of handling the city's fire insurance is currently under study, with the prospect of lowering, by 25%, the present annual expense of \$20,000. This amount includes the School Department in addition to all other city fire insurance.

A complete financial report for the year 1959 is available at the City Auditor's office, Room 21, City Hall; summaries are included at the end of this report.



HOW YOUR 1959 MUNICIPAL DOLLAR WAS SPENT



## Board of Registration

**John R. Crowley, Chairman**

<b>Number of Employees</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>1959 Expenditures</b>	<b>\$9,241.57</b>

The total number of registered voters for 1959 was 12,716.

A total of 1,288 names were removed from the voting

list and 297 new names added during the year.

There was one election day in 1959. One new voting list was printed and there was one addition printed.

## Legal Department

**Abraham J. Stern, City Solicitor**



<b>Number of Employees:</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>1959 Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$6,156.09</b>

During 1959, the city solicitor was consulted on more than five hundred occasions either by the public on city business or by various city personnel on problems affecting their respective departments.

The city solicitor collected delinquent taxes and other moneys due the City of Bangor, such as claims resulting from welfare expenditures and damage done by the negligence of others to city motor vehicles.

In addition, the city solicitor drew legal documents, wrote legal opinions for city officials and department heads, and drew all orders, ordinances and resolves requested of him.

Many interesting matters arose during the year, and outstanding among them were: those concerning the proposed referendum resulting from the purchase of land on Outer Broadway for the erection of a new high school, and those relating to the plans for the new school; those concerning the passage of State legislation

and the enactment of new parking meter ordinances conforming thereto, which resulted in the use of the envelope traffic ticket; those concerning the taking by eminent domain and the purchase of the so-called Byrnes Block area in Pickering Square by the city and its clearing for parking purposes; those concerning the installation of sewers relative to the new Interstate Highway system; and finally those relating to the problems created with the increase in hydrant rentals from the Bangor Water District, which matter was heard by the Public Utilities Commission and is now pending on an appeal from their decision in the Supreme Judicial Court of the State of Maine.

The city solicitor attended all council meetings and many meetings of other administrative boards of the city, and represented the city on hearings before the Industrial Accident Commission and the Civil Service Commission.

## Purchasing Department

**V. E. Kane, Purchasing Agent**

The Purchasing Department issued a total of 11,052 purchase orders and field purchase orders during the year 1959, for the purchase of material and supplies, new equipment and construction for all city departments, which amounted to a total of \$960,300.

Seventy-eight formal bid openings on items costing over \$500 were held in the Purchasing Department at which time the bids were opened and read publicly in the presence of the competitive bidders and a member of the City Council who initials the bids as they are opened, read and tabulated.

<b>Number of Employees:</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>1959 Expenditures:</b>	
<b>Operating</b>	<b>\$8,751.32</b>
<b>Capital</b>	<b>102.31</b>

*Commodity Contracts* for the city's requirements for one year, all awarded on low bids, went to the Gulf Oil Corporation through Robinson & Kenney for gasoline, the Shell Oil Company for motor oils and greases; Texas Company for diesel fuel oil, City Oil Company

for range oil and kerosene, McKinna's for number two fuel oil, Robinson & Kenney for fuel oil number five and Bacon and Robinson for fuel oil number six.

*Insurance Awards* were made on low bids for one year for the city's Automobile Fleet Insurance covering liability and property damage, fire and collision for \$5,308.21; Workmens' Compensation Insurance-maximum cost to the city \$15,108.98, with minimum cost, assuming the city has no accidents, at \$3,661.48; Commercial Comprehensive Blanket Bond Insurance, covering all city employees for \$471.58; and Steam Boiler Insurance for a three year period was awarded at \$1,517.03 for limited coverage on \$50,000 limit per accident.

*Road Surfacing Tars and Asphalts* were purchased through contracts entered into for one year with the low bidders: Barrett Division for road tars 5-6-7 delivered tank car and our truck, and Koppers Company, Inc. for road tars 8-12 tank car delivery; to Shell Oil Company for asphalt cement delivered to the Asphalt Plant, and to King's Oil Company, Inc. for cutback asphalt delivered to the city distributors and when purchased, furnished and applied.

*Garbage Collection Service* bids were taken and a contract for this service for a three-year period from 1959 to 1962 was awarded to a local contractor on his low bid of \$16,000 per year.

*Sprinkler System Installations* were bid on, and awards made to two different companies on the Installation of Sprinkler Systems in nine buildings, at a total cost of \$85,649.

*Automotive Equipment* purchased in 1959 included: One ¾ ton Dodge pickup truck at low net cost of \$1,642.90 for the Fire Department; six Dodge Police Cruisers and one Dodge panel truck at a lump sum low net cost of \$10,383 for all seven units; one small English Ford, four-door sedan, was purchased for the Police Department at a cost of \$1,279.80. For the Public Works Department, a Galion "Chief" 3-wheel roller at a low net cost of \$11,538; one 20 cubic yard rubbish packer at a net cost of \$11,931.86 for an International Truck with Leach Packmaster body; one International 5-yard dump truck with plow at \$9,245 and two International 3-ton dump trucks on low bid of \$8,395; one Willys jeep at a net cost of \$2,191.48, a Tarco Model Salt Spreader for \$775, a Baker Flink Reversible Snow Plow for \$825, and a Hi-Way Hopper

Type Spreader, mounted on the city truck at Bangor, at a cost of \$2,395. The spreader was added to the fleet in December of 1959 and is already doing a remarkable job of sand spreading for the department.

*Contracts for Construction*, amounting to over \$110,000 were awarded to low bidders during 1959, on the following projects: Remodeling and repair work at the City Hospital at \$18,173; replacing concrete floor in a room at Bass Park grandstand for \$755; remodeling at Electrical substation at \$2,487, and furnishing and installing Automatic fire alarm at Electrical Department at a cost of \$12,632. Sanding and refinishing City Hall auditorium floor was awarded at \$728 and construction of the trunk sewer to serve Woodlawn Development area on low bid of \$51,292.30. An award was made on a low bid of \$24,649 for furnishing and erecting a concrete block and steel storage building for the Public Works Department.

*Demolition of Building Contracts*, awarded to low bidders, included the building at 12 Boyd Street for \$490, buildings at 7-7½ Essex Street for \$400 and two houses in Harlow Court for \$1,500. Bids were opened in October for demolition of the buildings in the Pickering Square Parking area, and an award was made to the low bidder at \$12,800.

*Tires, Tubes and Tire Service Contract* was awarded to low bidder when the specifications were revised and the city called for discounts from the net state price list on passenger, truck, tractor and grader tires and tubes. The award was made to the bidder who offered a discount of 10-2% from net state price on passenger tires and tubes, and 5-2% discount from net state price on trucks, tractor and grader tires and tubes. This tire contract, with discounts from the net state price, has already effected a substantial savings to the city.

*Contracts for Services and Equipment* were awarded on various items such as: road salt with proportionate share of carload lots being divided among three suppliers who submitted identical prices of \$12.20 per ton for salt delivered to Bangor—\$6.40 for product with freight charge of \$5.80 per ton; coal, calcium chloride, chemical hydrated lime, hospital furniture, blue print machine, accounting machines for auditing department, lamp bulbs, police and fire department uniforms, two way radios for civil defense, vitrified tile and reinforced concrete sewer pipe, parking meters for police department, fire hose, snow fence, chain link fence, milk, laundry service and many other items.



POLICE VEHICLES PURCHASED IN 1959

*Sale of City Property* on high bid were as follows:

The city-owned house and attached garage at 240 Fourteenth Street was sold for \$601 with the agreement that the buildings be removed from the premises within ninety days.

The two-city-owned lots 21 and 22 on Lincoln Street were sold for \$1,001 to the abutting property owner for use as a garage site and landscaped area, and lots 15 and 16 on Lincoln Street were sold for \$800 to be used as a house lot.

The city-owned house at 10 Harlow Court was sold for \$100, with an agreement by the purchaser who planned to demolish the building for the salvage, that the demolition be completed within 30 days to allow



During 1959, personnel records were kept for 364 permanent employees and 86 temporary and part-time employees. The following is a comparative tabulation of this personnel action as compared to 1958:

<i>Personnel Action</i>	<i>1958</i>	<i>1959</i>
Appointments—Permanent	35	55
Appointments—Temporary	252	239
Transfers	10	6
Promotions	27	26
Demotions	3	2
Pay Changes	877	485
Title Changes	8	4
Annual Leave Days	3524	3548
Sick Leave Days	1980	1868
Workmen's Comp. Leave Days—Permanent Employees	209½	250
Workmen's Comp. Leave Days—Temporary Employees	7	145½
Leave Without Pay	25	49
Special Leave	22	28
Name and/or Address Changes	17	13
Changes Temporary to Permanent	15	18



The Assessed Valuation reached the high mark of \$125,001,800 for 1959 and for the first time in 25 years, the tax rate remained the same, \$26.00 per \$1,000.

During the spring, the department conducted its first

time for the grading work to be done in connection with the Abbott Square Annex parking area.

The standing hay at the City Home and Hospital was sold for \$251 to the same bidder who purchased the hay from the city last year, after two identical bids were received for the purchase of this hay.

Salvage operations at the Kittredge Road Dump were awarded to a local contractor who offered \$1,200 per year for the privilege.

Scrap iron, lead, copper, used batteries, grader and snow plow blades, tires, transformers, old fire engine and other miscellaneous items were sold to scrap dealers or companies making high offers for the material. Total cash sales on this salvage material, disposed of to outside sources, amounted to \$1,478 for the year 1959.

## Personnel Department

**Blanche Rogers, Personnel Clerk**

<b>Number of Employees:</b>	<b>¾</b>
<b>1959 Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$2,023.33</b>

Changes Permanent to Temporary	1	2
Lay Offs—Permanent Employees	13	14
Lay Offs—Temporary Employees	151	138
Dismissals—Permanent Employees	1	4
Dismissals—Temporary Employees	16	7
Suspensions	4	3
Deaths—Permanent Employees	1	5
Resignations—Permanent Employees	44	35
Resignations—Temporary Employees	53	86
Retirements	3	2
Military Leaves	1	1
Temporary Extensions of Employment	1	0

In September, a salary survey was conducted on eight positions with local businesses and twelve positions with other cities in the state.

The Compensation Plan of the City of Bangor was amended on January 1st by giving all positions a one half step increase (approximately 2¼%), 350 of the above pay changes are the result of this general pay adjustment. The position of Sanitation Supervisor was added to the Classification Plan during the year.

## Assessing Department

**H. C. Emery, Chairman**

**Alec Wescott**

**Jay E. Alley**

<b>Number of Employees:</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>1959 Expenditures:</b>	
<b>Operating</b>	<b>\$29,362.37</b>
<b>Capital</b>	<b>293.75</b>

complete census of the population of the city, including Dow Air Force Base families. The Police and Fire Departments conducted the actual interviews and were outstanding representatives of the city.

The census results showed a total of 37,129 people in the city of which there were 9,298 men, 11,878 women, 12,697 children and 3,256 servicemen.

To supplement this information, a dwelling unit survey was completed from the departmental files. As of November, 1959, this showed the following statistical information:

#### Private Property

4,971 Single Family Houses or 4,971 Dwelling units  
1,689 Multiple Family Houses or 4,768 Dwelling units

6,660 Total 9,739 Total

#### Government Property

19 Single Family Houses or 19 Dwelling units  
178 Multiple Family Houses or 775 Dwelling units

197 Total 794 Total

#### Mobile Homes

208 208 Dwelling units

Total Dwelling Units 10,741

The details of the Assessed Valuation for 1959 were as follows:

#### Assessable Real Estate

Residential and Open Land \$9,465,000  
Commercial and Industrial Land 10,135,600

Total Land \$19,600,600

Residential Buildings 54,385,000

Commercial and Industrial Buildings 26,123,300

Total Buildings 80,508,300

Total Real Estate \$100,108,900

Personal Property 24,892,900

Grand List \$125,001,800

#### Non-Taxable Real Estate

Governmental \$80,349,400

Organizational 9,229,400

Veterans 1,067,200

Special 51,000

Cemetery 192,600

Total Exempt Real Estate (Valuation) \$90,889,600

#### 1959 Assessment

\$125,001,800 x \$26.00 Per M \$3,250,046.80 Tax  
6,000 Polls x \$3.00 18,000.00 Tax

\$3,268,046.80 Tax

Supplemental Assessments \$10,424.00 Tax

Tax Abatements (Jan. 1, 1959 to December 31, 1959) \$29,133.54 Tax

At its annual meeting, the Board of Assessors elected Hazen C. Emery to serve as Chairman for the year 1960.

## Treasury - Collection Department

### Ralph L. Waymouth, City Treasurer

Number of Employees: 4½  
1959 Expenditures:  
Operating \$20,788.65  
Capital 237.74

#### Cash Balance

The cash balance of the city as of January 1, 1959 was \$235,439.50. Cash collections during the year totaled \$8,802,478.48 and cash disbursements totaled \$8,811,165.87 with a cash balance as of December 31, 1959 of \$226,752.11.

#### Taxes

On the 1959 tax commitment of \$3,270,191.80 the percentage of taxes collected for the year 1959 was 94% leaving \$195,931.55 unpaid December 31, 1959. This being 0.6% better than the previous year of 1958. A total of 13,850 receipts were issued for the payment of all taxes.

#### Parking Meters

The amounts collected from parking meters during the year was \$62,502.24 from the on-street meters and \$21,626.20 from the off-street meters in Abbott Square, Haymarket Square, Union Square, Columbia Street lot, Adler lot and Abbott Square Annex. The Adler lot and Abbott Square Annex were opened in 1959.

#### Excise Tax

Motor Excise Tax seems to increase each year both in money collected and receipts issued. On 15,464 receipts issued this year the city received a total of \$256,812.37, an increase of \$13,146.69 and 199 receipts over the year 1958.

#### Tax Loan

On January 23, 1959, the city sold its Tax Anticipation Notes in the amount of \$1,700,000, dated January 23, 1959 and due October 8, 1959 at a discount of 1.80% the rate being the same as the previous year. Actual discount of \$21,872.00.

The surplus money in the amount of \$900,000 was invested in U. S. Treasury 90 day bills at a discount of \$6,506.50 making the net cost of the tax loan for the year \$15,365.50 or \$2,870.50 less than year 1958.

#### Bonded Debt

The bonded indebtedness of the city was increased from \$1,493,000 January 1st to \$2,183,000 on December 31, 1959. The amount of \$165,000 was paid on bonds



and notes due and new Notes of \$75,000 and bonds of \$780,000 were issued as follows: Serial Notes: \$75,000 dated May 1, 1959, due 25M May 1st in each of the years 1960/62, interest rate of 2.50%, sold jointly to the Eastern Trust & Banking Co., Merchants National Bank of Bangor and the Merrill Trust Co. all of Bangor. Serial Bonds: \$780,000 dated October 1, 1959, due 39M October 1st in each of the years 1960/79 inclusive, interest rate of 3.70% plus premium of \$3,120 sold to Halsey Stuart & Co., and Harriman Ripley & Co.

Proceeds from the above issued were used as follows:

Notes: \$75,000	Acquire land for new High School
Bonds: \$350,000	New 14th Street School
90,000	Sprinkler Systems for schools and garage
30,000	Abbott Square Parking Lot
250,000	Pickering Square Parking Lot
60,000	Mt. Hope Sewer

## Industrial Development Department



**Peter D'Errico, Industrial Development Director**

<b>Number of Employees:</b>	<b>1½</b>
<b>1959 Expenditures:</b>	
<b>Operating</b>	<b>\$31,111.57</b>
<b>Capital</b>	<b>867.04</b>

In 1959, Bangor showed steady progressive economic growth consistent with the ever expanding business activity throughout the nation.

The attractive 15,000 sq. ft., \$125,000 King Cole Food Inc., potato chip factory was completed in December, 1959, and is producing and distributing potato chips. The plant employs 28 people and will eventually expand to about 60 people.



**GROUND BREAKING CEREMONIES FOR NEW KING COLE POTATO CHIP FACTORY**

The new 5,000 sq. ft. \$38,000 Dupont Paint Distribution Warehouse was completed and occupied in 1959. Here is an example of a company that found downtown a crowded and costly place for their business and moved to a more accessible commercial area.

The Fox and Ginn Corporation doubled the size of their warehouse. The 20,000 sq. ft. building is located in the Bangor Industrial Park.

The year 1960 will see the completion of the 200,000 sq. ft., two million dollar Bangor shopping center located on Broadway consisting of approximately 25 stores. Work on the 40 acre site was started in December, 1959.

An ultramodern 20,000 sq. ft. distribution warehouse will be constructed in the fast growing industrial park of the Bangor Real Estate Development Corp.

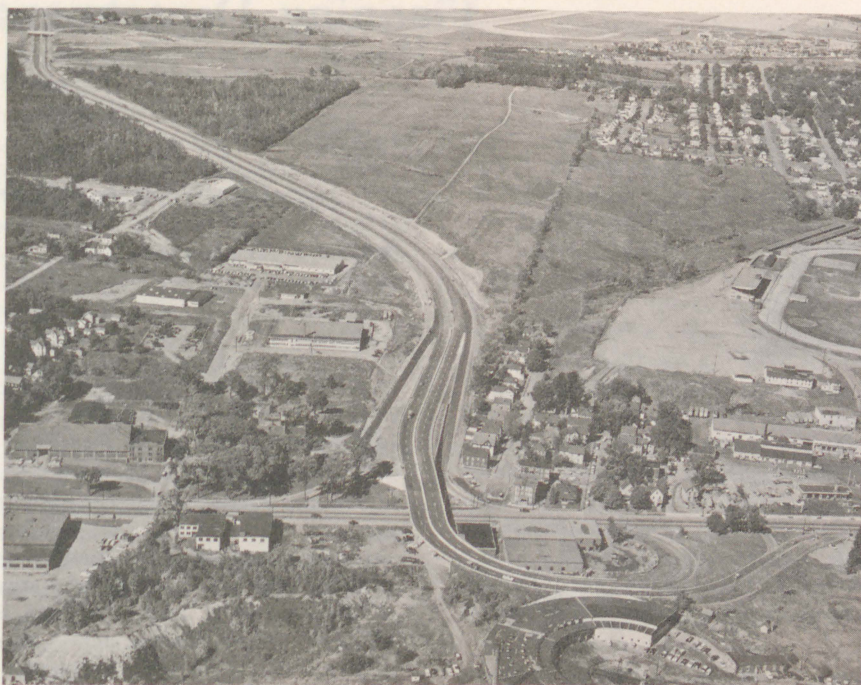
Early in 1960, the new 14,000 sq. ft. International Harvester sales and service center, located on outer Hammond Street, will be completed. The Industrial Development Department is particularly glad to see International Harvester build on this site and feel that it is an excellent step toward stimulating development in that area.

A leading shoe manufacturer in Bangor will add a 15,000 sq. ft. addition to his factory. Construction will begin this spring, and this company will request Maine Industrial Building Authority backing for the new addition. This expansion will add 100 more employees to the firm.

The D'Orsay Equipment Company, a firm which distributes farm and dairy equipment has purchased two and one half acres on outer Hammond Street and will build on this site in the near future.

In the planning and negotiation stages are six other firms who wish to expand and relocate during 1960.

In working with these distribution agencies, it is interesting to observe that Bangor's role as a wholesale distribution center is constantly growing. As development and transportation facilities improve in the northern and eastern counties, the demand for materials and parts of all kinds increases. Bangor's geographic location in relation to the northern and eastern sections of the state makes it an ideal location for these centers.



INTERSTATE HIGHWAY INDUSTRIAL SPUR

The Industrial Development program of the city will continue in 1960 to make every effort to attract new industry and to guide the relocation of industries and commercial enterprises in the city. An objective of the department during the coming year will be the formation of an Industrial Development Corporation to acquire and improve industrial property for sale to businessmen wanting to locate within the city.

The Area Manpower Committee was active in 1959, in setting up several courses of study. These courses are sponsored by the City of Bangor to meet some of the needs of industry in the Bangor area. A course in electronics related to instrumentation was set up to begin on January 5, at the University of Maine. This course is designed for people already employed by firms using various types of electronic equipment. Courses in automotive mechanics, radio communications and welding were also set up and are presently in progress.

In October of 1959, the Department of Economic Development in Augusta published an economic survey "Development Resources of the Penobscot Region" with Bangor as the core city which will be of help in promoting the industrial potential of this area.

Industrial development progress in the City of Bangor is following a carefully mapped plan supported by private and municipal interests. The recent dedication of the Industrial Spur to the Interstate Highway bypassing the downtown portion of Bangor is an excellent indication of how this planning has worked. More than five years ago the City's Planning Department foresaw the eventual location of this highway and located its Industrial Park so that the Industrial Spur would pass along an edge of the area.

The city has not just one, but four industrial sites to show a prospective industry.

The first, sponsored by the city itself, was opened in 1958 and borders the Industrial Spur located on the southwest side of Bangor. Water, utilities and sewerage are available for the 290 acre site. Industries presently located in this park are: the New England Pipe and Supply Company, Standard Electric Company, Radio

Supply Company, Bangor Shoe Manufacturing Co., Inc., Fox and Ginn, Inc., and King Cole Foods, Inc.

The second, sponsored by the Bangor Real Estate Development Company was opened in 1945, by two Bangor wholesalers and is the oldest of the four. This area is located on the Maine Central Railroad mainline and U. S. Route 2, one of the two major highways leading into Bangor. It boasts 260 acres of drained and graded land and has roads, sewerage, and all utilities already installed. Industries presently located in this park are: Rice and Miller Company, T. R. Savage Company, Galt Block Warehouse, Sears, Roebuck Company, Soule Glass and Paint Company, Dupont Paint Distribution Warehouse, with several new additions planned for 1960.

The third area was acquired by the Bangor Chamber of Commerce as the result of a public subscription campaign. A portion of this land was used for a shoe factory, and 20 acres still are available.

The fourth, on the northern boundary of the city is the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad property in North Bangor. This is on the main line to Aroostook County, is five miles from the Bangor city center, and is on a main highway. At North Bangor, there is a well-developed area suitable for businesses which require railroad siding. From this location, service to Bangor proper and the entire area north to the Canadian border can be given.

Industrial Development in Bangor follows a carefully planned program. This planning ranges from such elementary considerations as proper locations in regard to transportation and area requirements, to a model zoning ordinance. This ordinance is a two-fold benefit; it aids industries because it assures them of the continuing city interest and it aids the city because it insures that industrial development follows planning designed to benefit the city.

A completely successful program in industrial promotion is founded on the premise that every citizen is interested in and will work for the development of the area. Industrial Development is an integral part of the development and maintenance of a balanced community life.

# Planning Department



Walter A. G. Snook, City Planner

The Planning Department has experienced a busy and successful year. 1959 marks the eleventh year of operation of the City Planning Board—a Council-appointed five-member citizens group and two associate members. The Board functioned under the capable Chairmanship of Danforth E. West, and members are Merrill R. Bradford, G. Clifton Eames, J. Arthur Stone, James Halkett, and associate members Norman Minsky and Edwin P. Webster.

Important tasks were undertaken and important events occurred in 1959. One of the highlights of the year was the actual start of the Urban Renewal Program; two applications were made to the Housing and Home Finance Agency of the U. S. Federal Government for funds to carry out a survey and planning study in Stillwater Park and in the Hancock Street area. In December the City was advised that the Stillwater Park application had been approved and the sum of \$79,540 has been made available to the city for this important study. In connection with this application the H. H. F. A. has examined the city codes and ordinances and has declared that the city is well equipped to carry out an Urban Renewal Program.

The Planning Board has spent many hours reviewing and revising the Zoning Ordinance; all of the zoning districts have been checked and revised where necessary and the Board is now reviewing the written text of the Ordinance. A series of public hearings will be held

<b>Number of Employees:</b>	<b>2½</b>
<b>1959 Expenditures:</b>	
Operating	<b>\$15,811.78</b>
Capital	<b>5,176.22</b>

early in 1960 so that the citizens of Bangor will have full opportunity to express their views on the revisions.

In March, Rodney S. Pinkham joined the department as Assistant Planner. With this addition, the department has been able to carry out much needed research on the zoning districts and a complete land use map has been prepared for the entire city area showing the use of every parcel of land. This map is most helpful in designing zoning districts, traffic flow studies, growth direction and other planning matters.

The department has carried out a year-long program of encouraging the subdivision of land to make more building lots for homes available in Bangor. This has had some degree of success and quite a few building lots should be available this coming spring. The axiom "As goes the building of homes—so goes the building of the City" still holds true.

An inventory of all city owned land and property was prepared; properties and needed land was assigned to the concerned departments for maintenance and operation. The remainder of the land was declared surplus and is offered for sale by bid.

A sidewalk survey has been made of every street, the condition or lack of sidewalks noted, and a priority list was prepared for future construction or repair of sidewalks.

Work has continued on the Master Plan and by mid-summer of 1960 the revision should be completed.

# Engineering Department



James L. MacLeod, City Engineer

<b>Number of Employees:</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>1959 Expenditures:</b>	
Operating	<b>\$30,161.45</b>
Capital	<b>2,946.64</b>

During the year 1959, 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 are becoming more and more important year by year. More and more people are consistently using the information

in these records and it becomes vitally important that they be maintained and kept up to date.

As the city develops and grows, much more work falls upon the Engineering Department, particularly so as more construction work is authorized to be completed by private contract. This means that detailed surveys, plans and specifications must be prepared and

inspection service provided to insure satisfactory work and these cover a wide variety of activities as can be seen by the following list.

1. Remodeling Electrical Sub-Station  
Contractor Owen Gray & Son \$2,487.00
2. Installation of an automatic fire alarm  
Central Station at Electrical Sub-Station  
Gamewell Company 12,632.00
3. Remodeling and renovating City  
owned building, corner Pine and  
State Streets  
Various contractors 5,422.00
4. Remodeling and renovating first floor  
south wing City Hospital  
S. R. Bunker Company 18,173.00
5. Construction of new steel frame and  
concrete block storage building for  
the Public Works Department  
Ralph Barnett, Inc. 24,849.00
6. Installation of automatic sprinkler  
systems in all school buildings not  
previously equipped  
Grinnell Company (5) 78,440.00  
Automatic Sprinkler Systems, Inc (2) 7,209.00
7. Installing new concrete floor in  
women's toilet room at Bass Park  
Grandstand  
Perry & Morrill 755.00
8. Demolition of three frame structures  
on Harlow Court for parking area  
Allison McCutcheon 1,400.00
9. Demolition of brick and frame struc-  
tures Pickering Square parking area  
Herbert Young 12,800.00
10. Construction of Woodlawn Trunk  
Sewer  
M. D. Hardy, Inc. 63,937.00
11. Corrective work on sewers in the  
Fourteenth and Fifteenth Street areas:  
A. New 24" sewer McLaughlin St.  
M. D. Hardy, Inc. 2,374.00  
B. Replace sewer Allen Street  
M. D. Hardy, Inc. 3,900.00
13. Sanitary sewer for Industrial Park  
Trunk Sewer  
Awarded Hughes Bros., Inc. in 1957  
Not completed as of Dec. 31,  
1959 (\$120,637)

Projects for which plans and specifications were prepared, bids were taken but contracts were not awarded, and all bids rejected included grading, paving and installation of meter islands in the Abbott Square Annex, installation of sanitary sewer with connections for forty trailers at Bass Park and furnishing and erecting steel frame storage building 50' x 100' for Public Works Department.

Plans were prepared and inspection service provided on projects undertaken by the Public Works Department as follows:

1. Construction of Harlow Court.
2. Construction of 400 feet Curtis Street.
3. Construction of 300 feet Perry Road.
4. Construction of Farm Road Extension.
5. Grading and graveling for the temporary parking layout in the Pickering Square area.

6. Construction of a new relief sewer on Sanford Street.
7. Construction of a relief sewer on Ralph Street.
8. Installation of a new 24" sewer under the Interstate Highway, off Stillwater Avenue.
9. Construction of a new 8" Sewer on Curtis Street.
10. Extension of existing sewer on Hildreth Street.
11. Corrective work on the existing sewer installation on Union Street, above Fifteenth Street.
12. Construction of a new trunk sewer from Lemist Street to Nowell Road.
13. Rebuilding track and construction of additional improvements at Garland Street Athletic Field.
14. Layout of meters and parking spaces Atler Hotel Lot.
15. Design of retaining wall and layout of parking spaces and meter islands for parking lot corner Middle and Columbia Streets.

Plans and cost estimate were prepared for a number of projects which have not as yet been approved or undertaken, as follows:

1. Plan for a new frame bandstand to be built at Davenport Park.
2. Plan for a new off-street parking structure at Olympia Theatre site on Union Street and for a multi-level garage located in the area at the corner of Hodsdon Street and Pickering Square.
3. Plans were prepared for improving the intersection of Main Street and Farm Road for a third traffic lane on Farm Road.
4. Prepared detail plans and cost estimates for remodeling work at the Larkin Street School.
5. Plans were prepared for a traffic channelizing island at the intersection of Main and Hammond Streets for traffic control.
6. Plans and cost estimates were prepared for a new sewer for Forest Avenue above Milford Street.
7. Plans and cost estimates were prepared for a possible sewer extension on Dunning Boulevard.
8. Prepared floor plans for all floors and the basement area of the High School for possible future use of this building as City Hall.

In addition to the above list of projects, the Engineering Department was called upon to prepare a plan of the land acquired by the City for the new high school lot on outer Broadway and to determine the exact area, together with a check of the abstract of title of this lot.

Sketches were prepared for possible service roads for busses for the Mary Snow School.

The Engineering Department prepared invoices in the proper forms which were submitted to the State on all work temporary or permanent which was required due to the Interstate Highway and which was carried out either by city forces or by contract. These items of work were all 100% reimbursable.

During the year, a considerable amount of time was devoted to a study of the parking problems and with suggested schemes for relieving this situation. From these studies, several sites were recommended and the municipal authorities eventually selected the Pickering Square area for final and full development and this area is now in the process of being developed. It should be pointed out that with the full development of this Pickering Square area, the acute shortage of parking

spaces will not be greatly alleviated and a continuing program of providing off-street parking areas must be maintained.

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

Curtis Street, 400 feet westerly from Hildreth Street.  
State Street Avenue, between State Street and York Street.  
Perry Road, 270 feet westerly from Thatcher Street.

Reports for Council action on land takings for parking areas were prepared for property on Harlow Court and in the Pickering Square area.

Street numbering plans were prepared for Griffin Road from Kenduskeag Avenue to Union Street and numbers were issued to all buildings on this road. Street numbering plans were prepared for Broadway from the Strickland Road to the Town line, for Hogan Road from State Street to Mount Hope Avenue, and for Mount Hope Avenue from Howard Street to State Street.

Street lines were established on the following streets as requested by property owners or in connection with the construction programs:

Otis Street, above Garland Street  
Hewey Street  
Charles Street  
Hancock Street  
Thatcher Street  
Perry Road



ENGINEERING STAFF WITH NEW BLUEPRINT MACHINE

Dartmouth Street  
West Park Street  
Parker Street  
Pine Street  
Lancaster Avenue  
Essex Street  
Ohio Street, near Kossuth

A new blueprint machine was acquired and installed for the purpose of making reproductions. With this machine available, a large saving will be made in costs of printing as well as making it very convenient for getting prints as needed.

## GENERAL STATISTICS

Area of land in City	22,662 Acres
Area of water in City	400 Acres
Total	23,062 Acres
Total area of all parks	83.78 Acres

## STREETS

Type of Surface	1958		1959	
	Sq. Yds.	Miles	Sq. Yds.	Miles
Cement Concrete	620	0.034	620	0.034
Hot Asphalt Paving	428,202	22.005	424,101	22.204
Bituminous Paving	33,976	1.583	28,067	1.384
Bituminous Retread	33,168	1.630	33,168	1.630
Gravel—Tar Treated	1,350,719	93.668	1,351,933	93.733
Gravel—Calcium Treated		0.960		0.960
Gravel		5.316		5.443
Total		125.196		125.388

## SIDEWALKS

Type of Surface				
	Sq. Yds.	Miles	Sq. Yds.	Miles
Cement Concrete	32,486	8.36	32,566	8.37
Hot Asphalt on Concrete	7,551	1.60	7,802	1.68
Bituminous Concrete	81,073	40.57	74,031	37.23
Hot Asphalt	146,397	43.55	155,399	47.59
Brick	548	0.10	548	0.10
Gravel—Tar Treated	4,476	3.50	4,476	3.50
Gravel		13.61		13.21
Total		111.29		111.68

## SEWERS

Type of Sewer	Total Ft.	Miles	Total Ft.	Miles
Brick	108,517	20.552	108,517	20.552
Vitrified Tile	224,584	42.535	231,180	43.784
Concrete	87,908	16.649	94,884	17.970
Stone	1,989	0.378	1,989	0.378
Cast Iron	4,574	0.866	4,574	0.866
ACCMP			32	0.006
Totals	427,572	80.980	441,176	83.556
Manholes		1,046		1,092
Catch Basins		1,761		1,779

## PERMITS ISSUED

	1958	1959
Street Opening Permits	283	241
Sewer Entry Permits	68	65
New House Numbers	181	104
New Driveway Permits	19	10

# Building Inspection Department

Guy MacCrae, Building Inspector

Number of Employees:	4
1959 Expenditures:	
Operating	\$20,260.12
Capital	51.45



## Building Division

The building trend in 1959 compared very favorably to that of 1958 with the net construction again going well over the three million dollar mark. And, for the second consecutive year, new commercial buildings have played an important role in taxable property.

The estimated value of the 444 building permits issued during 1959, amounted to \$2,680,625. This compares to 411 permits issued in 1958 at an estimated value of \$3,075,330.

After making a survey of the cost of construction submitted by the applicants and after computing the actual cost of construction, this office gives a total estimated cost of all types of construction for 1959 of \$3,216,750. This figure is 20 per cent higher on an average than the cost taken from the applications. On the 444 permits issued, 848 inspections were made on new construction.

In addition, 154 complaints were received, and their were 77 violations found. Forty-nine of these violations have been corrected and the remainder are still under surveillance. 202 requests for information were received and each request was taken care of by a personal visit from the Building Inspector which makes a grand total of 1,127 inspections for 1959.

In 1959, utilities were extended in the Industrial Park Area and along the Hammond Street bypass, and this, no doubt, was instrumental in the construction of two commercial buildings there during the past year.

Fernald Heights and the Woodlawn Development areas are now creating very desirable sites for new residential dwellings.

## Summarized Cost of Construction for 1959

Description	Permits Issued	Est. Cost of Const. on Application	Computed Est. Cost of Const.
Dwellings	58	\$745,500	\$931,875
Private Garages	48	69,400	83,280
Commercial Garages	3	155,000	193,750
Stores and Merch.	5	242,000	290,400
Filling Stations	2	37,000	44,400
Office Buildings	1	50,000	60,000
Schools	1	412,000	431,200
Public Utilities	1	5,000	6,500
Warehouses	7	182,000	218,400
Churches	1	50,000	60,000
Barns and Sheds	2	10,000	12,000
Panel Posters	3	1,900	2,470
Gas and Oil Tanks	6	111,300	133,560
Fences	37	4,800	6,240
Add and Alter Res.	112	184,925	231,175
Add and Alter Non. Res.	77	381,900	458,280
Greenhouses	2	5,500	7,700
Retaining Walls	6	7,400	9,820
Motels	1	20,000	26,000
Accessory Bldgs.	2	1,000	1,500
Powder Magazine	1	4,000	6,200
Demolitions	68	2,000	2,000
Total	444	\$2,680,625	\$3,216,750

The City of Bangor is still in need of utility extension for the future development of both commercial and private buildings.

Sixty-eight buildings were demolished due to their dilapidated and dangerous conditions. Two of these buildings were ordered removed by the City Council after the owners refused to have the buildings secured and repaired. Several other buildings were removed for additional parking facilities and for the construction of new buildings.

Thirty-two applications were heard before the Board of Appeals in 1959: 4 applications were denied and 28 applications were granted.

#### *Electrical Division*

A total of 713 permits were issued from this division in 1959 for various types of electrical work. Three-hundred and thirty new services were installed and 158 change-overs in service loads were made. Two-hundred and twenty-five permits were issued for repairs and additions; 849 inspections were made regarding these

permits. One-hundred and twenty-three complaints were received, 86 of which were in violation; 188 other violations were found and 230 corrections were made on these violations and complaints, of which 84 follow-up calls were made.

Many visits to the office and telephone calls were received by the Electrical Inspector regarding wiring problems which often resulted in a visit to the location by the Inspector.

In order to enforce the National Electrical Code, close cooperation is maintained with our local utility company and the state licensing board.

#### *Plumbing Division*

In this division, 267 plumbing permits were issued in 1959 for various types of plumbing work. There were 234 new services installed and 33 change-overs in existing services.

Ten violations were found and corrected and 3 complaints received, all of which have been corrected.

Two-hundred and seventy-five inspections were made on these permits, violations and complaints.

## Police Department



**John B. Toole, Police Chief**

<b>Number of Employees:</b>	<b>59</b>
<b>Traffic Guides</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>1959 Expenditures:</b>	
<b>Operating</b>	<b>\$286,098.07</b>
<b>Capital</b>	<b>16,770.41</b>

Major crime and juvenile delinquency both took a downward turn in Bangor during 1959. There was no murder or non-negligent manslaughter and only one case of manslaughter by negligence, in the city during the year, only three robberies, one aggravated assault and 435 cases of burglary or larceny of which 307 were for larcenies under \$50 in value. There were 1797 cases of drunkenness during the year.

There were in all a total of 2231 arrests for all classifications of crimes which was 70 or about 3% less than the total in 1958.

The total value of property reported stolen in the city was \$17,151, as compared to \$21,393 in the prior year. There was an increase in recovery with 62.5% of stolen property being recovered as compared to 40% in 1958.

In the Juvenile Division there were 402 juvenile offenses as compared to 452 in 1958 constituting a decrease of about 11%.

Several arrests of dangerous criminals were made for other agencies including two of Canada's most wanted criminals and three heavily armed persons who were charged with acts of violence in Prospect and Frankfort, Maine.

#### *Traffic Division*

The first major change in the parking violation ticket since the installation of on-street parking meters some twelve years ago came about in August of 1959. A new envelope type traffic ticket is now used which allows the violator to mail to the Police Department his parking fee if he wishes to waive a court hearing on the violation.

Just prior to the installation of this system, the State Legislature passed a bill authorizing municipalities to set up within the framework of their police departments a parking violation procedure and as a consequence, several changes were made in the City Ordinance which spells out the offense and gives the citation its proper support. A full-time man has been assigned to the traffic bureau handling all collections, follow-ups and court actions where necessary.



**STOLEN GOODS RECOVERED**



NEW TICKETS FOR PARKING VIOLATORS

Since the beginning of this new procedure, 20,320 tickets have been issued and assessments collected totaling \$9,866. The change-over is having the desired results of better turn-over of prime high value parking spaces and more convenience for the infrequent violator and harsher treatment for the all-day parker who tries to store his car on the city business streets.

While total motor vehicle accidents increased from 751 in 1958 to 797 in 1959, the number of fatalities was reduced from three to two and the number of injuries from 161 to 160. The most important changes in the accident picture were the reduction of motor vehicles vs. pedestrian accidents (from 53 in 1958 to 38 in 1959) and bicycles vs. motor vehicles (from 12 in 1958 to 5 in 1959).

Traffic continues to be one of the most pressing problems in the city but with the traffic survey now being carried out, the construction of new by-passes and the increased emphasis on the traffic division of the police department, it is anticipated that the department will stay ahead of these very important problems in the years to come.

#### *Administration Division*

The Administration Division was concerned in 1959 with in-service training, public relations, and general service programs. Two new young patrolmen were added to the department in 1959; Officer Thomas Tilley and Officer Charles Mooney.

In-service training programs held at the Police Station included all of our personnel as well as policemen from Brewer, Orono, Hampden, and the Bangor Reserve Police Unit.

Captain Maurice Small attended a two-weeks' course in Boston on Police Administration sponsored by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Captain Sloane and Lobley attended a Retraining Session of the F.B.I. in Vermont.

Sergeant Neal Ryder attended a conference for Judges, Prosecutors, and Police Officers sponsored by the Traffic Commission of Northwestern University at Yale Law School.

Officer Maurice Thurston attended a two-week training course in Boston on traffic law enforcement.

Two new cars were added to the Police fleet during the year and all the old cars were traded in.



METER ENFORCEMENT

In the regular house and store checking program, there were 661 doors found opened and unlocked and 429 different houses were checked for periods from one day to six months. 569 funeral processions were escorted, 569 calls were made to assist sick and injured people, and 715 fire calls were attended, of which 95 were false alarms and were investigated. 1739 extra work details were made, most of them due to various construction projects and the city census which was supervised by the assessing department.

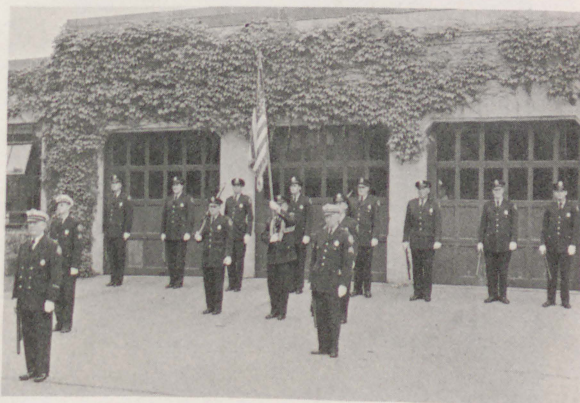
The Bangor Police Reserve unit consisting of 31 men put in over 9000 man hours at no cost to the city attending various events including parades, bonfires, and sporting events.

Ten members of the police department were issued special commendations during the year for police work above and beyond the call of duty.

The Bangor Police Department won the Pierre Harnois Softball Trophy this year in a playoff with the Portland and Lewiston Police Softball teams.

Parking meter revenue for the year totaled as follows:

On-Street Meters	\$62,502.24
Abbott Square Lot	13,776.20
Union Park Lot	3,509.80
Haymarket Square Lot	2,613.60
Columbia Street Lot	836.20
Atler Hotel Lot	769.70
Abbott Square Annex	121.10



POLICE MARCHING PLATOON

# Fire Department



John J. Nelligan, Fire Chief

Number of Employees:	78
1959 Expenditures:	
Operating	\$354,208.22
Capital	4,012.41

During 1959, the Bangor Fire Department answered a total of 715 alarms as compared to only 599 alarms in 1958.

Of the total 549 were for fires and 166 calls were for other than fires including 75 false alarms, 53 automatic sprinkler alarms with no fires involved, 17 smoke and fire scares only and one accidental alarm.

Of the 549 fires which occurred in the city, 60 were building, 259 were minor fires within buildings, 86 brush fires, 10 rubbish fires, 5 dump fires, 5 woods fires, 76 vehicles in the street and 48 miscellaneous fires outside of buildings.

Included in the above totals are nine out of town calls for assistance, two to Brewer, two to Glenburn, two to Hampden, one to Hermon and two to Veazie.

There was a total of \$216,592 in fire losses during the year to buildings and contents valued at \$2,160,202. This compares with \$34,398 in losses in 1958, \$105,831 in 1957 and \$118,292 in 1956. Fire losses per capita total about \$5.70 in 1959.

There was one fatality from fire during the year when a 36 year old male died at 194 Hancock Street from smoke inhalation on April 12th. There was only one two-alarm fire during the year which was the Adams House Hotel fire on February 24th. Due to the efficiency of the fire and police departments, the building was evacuated without loss of life or injury.

During the year the department ambulance answered 575 calls as compared to 520 calls for 1958. Of the 319 fires within buildings in the city during 1959, flooded oil burners continues to be the major cause resulting in 102 fires. 39 fires resulted from electrical appliances and motors, 37 were chimney fires, 41 careless smoking, 26



ADAMS HOUSE HOTEL FIRE

defective wiring, 19 defective heaters and the remainder were miscellaneous causes.

The department continued its fire prevention work throughout the year with 7,882 property inspections and reinspections carried out as well as participation in fire prevention programs in the schools and participation in the annual cleanup week in the summer.

Department members took part in the annual census conducted by the Assessing Department during March, April and May.

In October, the members of Central Station started working on the annual Christmas toy project, collecting, repairing and distributing toys to 500 children in 138 families and to children in the Children's Home and St. Michael's Orphanage.



FIRE DRILL EXERCISE IN LOWER GRADE SCHOOL

# Civil Defense Department

James F. O'Connor, Civil Defense Director

## 1959 Expenditures:

Operating	\$ 741.28
Capital	3,465.25

Due to proximity of Dow Field, the key warning point was moved from Bangor to the State Police Unit in Orono. Bangor Police Station became an "A" point.

A hospital plan was completed, covering all Bangor hospitals in coordination with the Maine Hospital Association during an alert. This plan was tried, up to but excluding the actual moving of patients, with complete success. A group of volunteers was trained in the unpacking and setting up the 200 bed emergency hospital unit. Fourteen of these units are in the state and 3 within 60 miles of Bangor and available in an emergency.

Two night school courses in electronics were started at Bangor High, with enrollment of 20 in the basic electronics course and 12 in the advanced course.

The Civil Defense Department continued its policy of obtaining surplus property for the police, fire and public

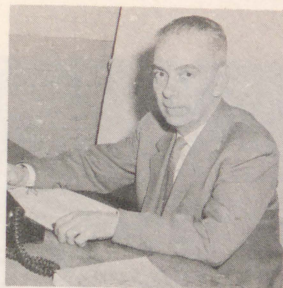
works departments. The major piece of equipment obtained was a light duty rescue truck to replace an outdated one in use at central station.

The Reserve Police and the Communications group assisted the police during the Halloween Parade and the evening activities.

Meetings were held with Dow Field to coordinate emergency procedures, between Dow Field and Bangor in case of any incident involving military equipment within city limits with a complete understanding of each party's responsibility being determined.

The Reserve Police Unit and the communications group held meetings and training sessions weekly throughout the year.

Brewer's civil defense communications plan was coordinated with that of Bangor to provide closer coverage of both towns. The plan was tried Halloween night and was a complete success.



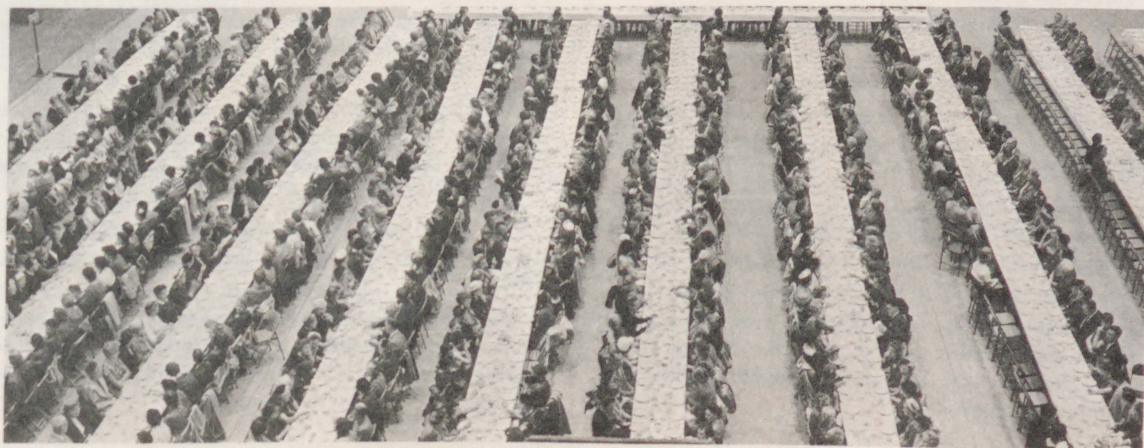
# Auditorium Department

John Quigley, Auditorium Supervisor

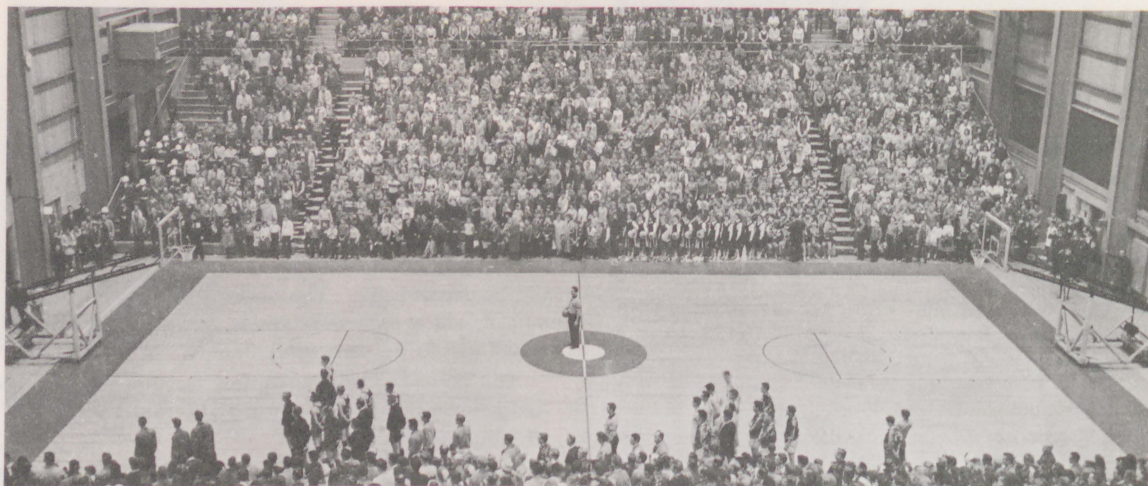
Number of Employees:	5
Temporary	1
1959 Expenditures:	
Operating Expenditures	\$55,375.90
Operating Revenue	46,040.59
Operating Deficit	9,058.11
Capital Expenditures	911.50

Basketball continued to be a major attraction at the Bangor Municipal Auditorium during 1959. Two Down-east Classics were held, one at the very beginning of the year and one at the end of December, in both of which

eight basketball teams gave fine exhibition of their talents. Regularly high school basketball continued during January, February and March and the auditorium was the scene of the Large School Basketball Tourney, the



A LARGE BANQUET HELD DURING TEACHERS' CONVENTION



THE CLASS "L" FINAL ABOUT TO BEGIN

Small and Medium School Basketball Tourney and the Large School Basketball State Finals. A total of 55,867 people attended basketball games at the auditorium during the year. In October a professional basketball game was played between the Celtics and the Lakers, and in November there was an exhibition game featuring the Harlem Globetrotters.

On January 1st, a Coronation Ball was held in the building and that was also the date of the unveiling of the Paul Bunyan Statue which took place on the lawn of the old auditorium. The Ball was a great success and the Paul Bunyan Statue has proven to be a large attraction for tourists as well as local residents throughout the year. He is apparently very photogenic as the site has been a mecca for camera bugs all through the summer months.

During March the annual Sportsman Show was held for four days with its usual appeal to adults and children alike. Ice Capades was in Bangor for a full week and had the usual breath-taking show. The total attendance for this event was 23,556 people and the net ticket sales after taxes totaled \$54,500. Both of these shows were well ahead of the previous year and both are booked for return dates in 1960.

In April, the Auditorium was chosen for the All-State Musical Festival which included bands, orchestras and choruses. It is interesting that three nationally known guest conductors, Dr. Nathan Gottschalk, Dr. Warner Lawson and Mr. Don Razey, all commented favorably on the acoustics in the building. No amplification was used during the event.

The Kiwanis Car Show and the Shrine Circus were two of the major events also in April. Both were very successful and both have reserved dates for 1960.

The Roller Derby was a regular game (Los Angeles vs. New York) and while it was an excellent show, the attendance was disappointing.

The Maypole Festival was held with approximately 500 local folk and square dances taking part in the program. This has also become an annual event at the auditorium.

The Cub Scout show was held with over a thousand Cub Scouts participating, and in June the Bangor High School Graduation was held in the building with the usual impressive ceremony.

The Northeastern Shrine met at the Auditorium during September with the registration exceeding 2500. This was the first convention of this type to be held in the city.

The Local 621 Carpenter's Union held a banquet and dance at the Auditorium in September serving over 400 people.

October saw the Teachers Convention and on Halloween a free skating party, with a large percentage of the youngsters in costume. 468 children under twelve years of age attended.

Skating has also been a very popular event at the Auditorium during 1959. A total of 12,990 youngsters paid for public skating during the year and in addition a total of 5,100 youngsters attended free skating lessons given by the Bangor Skating Club. The Skating Club started their regular meetings in October and ended their season with a Skating Show in January of 1960. The meetings are held at the Auditorium and during the skating season the members of the club act as ice police and also as instructors for children at the free skating sessions. Much credit is due to them for the great interest in skating shown in the city and for their production "Glacial Follies." They have provided a fine show with no outside professional assistance and have also designed and made all their own costumes which are very attractive.

#### *General Maintenance*

General maintenance work done at the Auditorium during the year included cleaning, painting, general repairs, repairs in the refrigeration system, overhauling the furnace and furnace repairs. A new machine was built for reconditioning the ice and will be used during the Ice Show and for all other ice events as needed.

One major job done this year was sealing of the floors, corridors, stairwells and locker rooms. This is a non-skid oil product that has solved the problem of cement dust and is easier to wash and keep dust free.

The Public Address system had a complete overhauling during the year for the first time since it was installed in 1956.

The old auditorium was opened from June 1st to September 1st for Exhibition purposes and for registration of tourists for the Q.C. Celebration. A total of 15,000 people registered during the summer.

It was also opened during the Teachers' Convention for the display of books and school supplies. Costs of maintenance were kept at a minimum during the year.

Bass Park during the year was, of course, the scene of the annual Bangor State Fair as well as Holter's Wild Animal Show, a Fire Works Display called "Out of the Darkness," an Outdoor Cooking Contest, an exhibition of thrill driving, and the Shrine Convention. It was also used overnight by the National Guard for Camp Grounds.

Much maintenance work was done on Bass Park during the year. In the early summer over 900 feet of water pipe with 24 stand pipes was installed to supply water

to the 48 trailers on the new sewer line on Buck Street. The maintenance crew also installed 250 feet of water pipe around the stables, sheep pens and cattle sheds. The crew put in 104 man hours to prop, brace and repair the stage in order to make it usable for the 1959 Fair show. There were 128 man hours in addition to 1,000 feet of rough lumber used to be put in the stables. The damage done in the winter months by horses quartered there is substantial. The stables have been repaired and painted as far as possible during the summer months.

The grounds and lawns at the new auditorium, old auditorium and at Bass Park were all maintained during the summer by the crew.



ANNUAL SPORTSMEN'S SHOW

## Public Buildings

Ralph L. Waymouth

Number of Employees:	7
1959 Expenditures:	
Operating	\$36,021.63
Capital	10,127.62

The Public Building Department had only two buildings under its operation during the year 1959, City Hall and State and Pine Streets building.

In February, the Bangor Filter Center which occupied the State and Pine Streets Building closed and the lease was cancelled by the Government.

On August 1st, the city leased this building to the

United States Army Reserves as an office and training center at \$10,000 per year. Extensive repairs were made both by the city and the Army Engineers.

General repairs were made on City Hall, which included the sanding and refinishing of the Auditorium and stage floors.

# Bangor Public Library



L. Felix Ranlett, Librarian

Number of Employees:	34
1959 Expenditures:	
City Appropriation	\$ 55,000.00
Fees and Fines	9,500.00
Endowment Income	140,360.08
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	\$204,860.08

During 1959 the library issued for home use 401,910 books, magazines, pieces of music and music discs. This is a gain of 13,974 over the year before. It is a gain of nearly one third over ten years ago. Forty-one per cent of the home use is of children's books; 28% of adult fiction; and 31% of adult non-fiction.

The library has 17,001 registered borrowers of whom 1,434 are non-residents who pay use fees. The library is entirely free to residents.

The library operates in a total of 237 locations: the central library at 145 Harlow Street; the Music Branch at 166 Union Street; the libraries of the two junior high schools and the senior high school; the library of John Baptist High School; 157 classrooms in Bangor public and parochial schools; 19 institutions such as the Eastern Maine General Hospital, the Home for Aged Men, St. Joseph's Hospital; 17 agencies, such as the Eastern Maine Guidance Center, the Penobscot Bar Library, and the library of the Bangor Theological Seminary; and, for a fee, in 38 classrooms in schools in Eddington, Holden, Orrington and Veazie. Public and parochial schools in Bangor enjoy the use of 140 sets of encyclopedias supplied by the library.

Twenty-seven per cent of the cost of the library was met by the city appropriation, 5% by fines and fees, and 68%, including the cost of all books, periodicals, binding, from the income of trust funds. The few music discs that were bought were paid for from fine money.

The endowment administered by the trustees of the library totals \$2,916,447 and is comprised of eleven funds or bequests: Charles C. Adams bequest, Thomas Upham Coe Bequest, Frederick W. Hill and Marianne Hill Fund, John F. Patten Fund, Luther H. Peirce Fund, Clarence C. Stetson Fund, Frances A. Stetson Fund, Stodder Fund, Ernestine Thompson Fund, Louise Baldwin Thompson Fund, and various monies gathered as the unrestricted portion of the Trustees Fund. The Trustees of the Hersey Fund administer a principal of \$100,000 for the benefit of the library. The City of Bangor administers the Bangor Mechanic Association Fund of \$12,000 for the benefit of the library. The Bangor Mechanic Association administers the Edward Ellison Fund of \$10,000 for the benefit of the library.

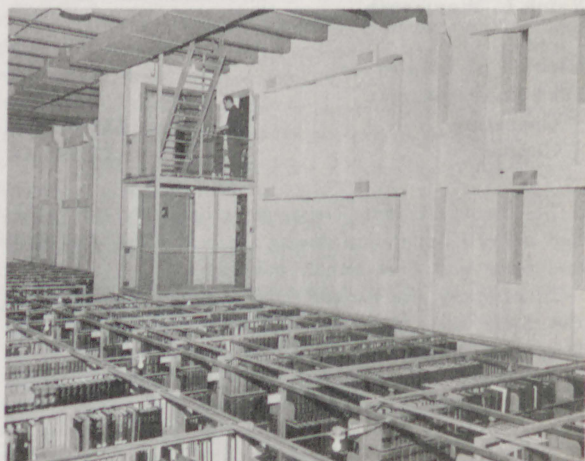
The Trustees of the Bangor Public Library are a corporation consisting of the Trustees of Hersey Fund and of the officers of the Bangor Mechanic Association. The first group consists of Donald S. Higgins, William P. Newman, Boutelle Savage, Martyn A. Vickers, M. D., and Ralph L. Waymouth. The second group consists of Erwin S. Anderson, Charles F. Bragg, 2nd, F. Drummond Freese, and Horace S. Stewart, Jr. The Trustee group also comprises the Board of Managers of the Bangor Public Library.

The library owns 336,265 books, a total of 10.66 per capita. It subscribes to 1,170 periodicals and 20 newspapers. It is a member of the Boston Medical Library. During 1959 it arranged and presented 22 art exhibits in its exhibit room. During the year 217 public meetings were held in its quarters.

Owing to the great proportion of its lavish endowment funds that must be used exclusively for books the growth of the library has been rapid. Since 1945 the collection has made a net gain of some 100,000 volumes.

The addition to the storage area of the library whose construction began in May 1958 was completed in August except for a few finishing details. It is now completely occupied. The rearrangement of books in the older building is proceeding regularly.

Concisely defined, the purpose of the Bangor Public Library is to preserve and disseminate knowledge and thought as recorded in print; to provide recreation through print; and to provide a maximum of assistance to its clients in the use of its collections. We are a general library yet we are also a library of record. We aim to provide printed material on all subjects likely to be of interest either to present or potential users of whatever age or education. We recognize the scholarly resources of our neighbor library of the University of Maine and are interested that each library shall complement the other. Within the building the use of the collections of the Bangor Public Library is free to all comers. The home use privileges are free to all residents of Bangor and to whoever, regardless of place of residence, works, goes to school, or pays taxes in Bangor. To others they are available for a fee.



A LOOK AT THE NEW STORAGE AREA

# School Department

Lawrence A. Peakes, Superintendent

**Number of Employees:**

Teaching Staff	263
Maintenance and Operation	57
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	320

**1959 Expenditures:**

Operating	\$1,697,239.93
Capital	569,689.17

Steadily increasing enrollments and long-range building planning continue to be the chief educational challenges of the Queen City.

Six thousand, two hundred and fifty-three pupils were attending Bangor's public schools in November 1959. This was an increase of 308 over the corresponding date in the previous year. Perhaps an even more impressive statistic is the fact that the two year school population increase was slightly over 10%.

The most recent enrollment report showed 3,947 pupils in the elementary grades, kindergarten through six, including the special classes; 949 in the two junior high schools; and 1,357 in the two separate sessions at Bangor High School. From mid-September to the end of November the net increase of students was 159, or more than those in five average classrooms.



TYPICAL KINDERGARTEN CLASS

The federal government currently has a seventeen room elementary school under construction on the Capehart Housing Project. This building which will have two kindergartens, three rooms each for grades one, two, and three, and two rooms each for grades four, five, and six is scheduled for completion in June. This structure will be staffed and operated as part of the Bangor educational system.

Also under construction is the eleven room elementary school on Fourteenth Street to contain a kindergarten, three rooms each for grades one, two, and three, and



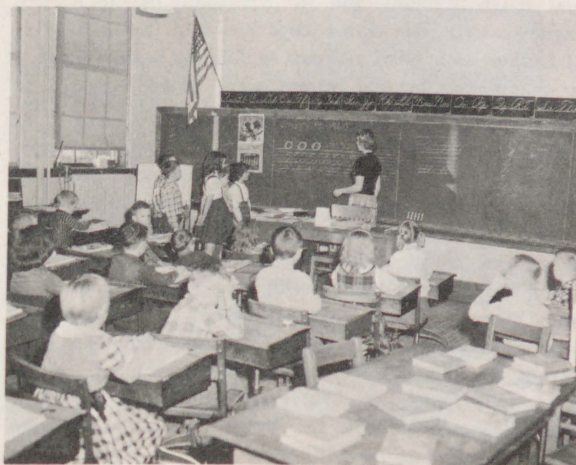
four specially equipped rooms for handicapped children. The contract calls for this building to be finished by January 1961, but, fortunately, the project has been ahead of schedule almost since its beginning.

As this is written the proposed new Bangor High School—largest secondary school building ever to be designed in Maine with space for 1,400 pupils on a three-year senior high basis—is nearing the close of its preliminary planning stage.

The suggested course offerings in this new educational plant aim to continue the present emphasis on strong college preparation, together with much enlarged facilities for pre-vocational training in several different fields, and with definite provision for extensive study opportunities for out-of-school youth and adults. These features follow the recommendations of the noted "Conant Report" and the services of Dr. William K. Wilson have been engaged as Educational Consultant on the project.

The goal of the careful planning is to transplant Bangor High School's proud tradition from the past into a new setting as a true "comprehensive high school" in the best sense of the term. It has been well said that a school program of high quality is one in which the curriculum makes possible, and the teaching and the guidance make real, the promise of educational opportunity for each pupil. That is the ideal for Bangor's educational system.

Your public schools belong to the citizens. You can improve them. Your schools are as good as you and the other citizens in the Pine Tree State and this Queen City community want them to be.



WE LEARN TO WRITE

# Recreation Department



Albert E. Noyes, Recreation Director

## *Playgrounds and Summer Program*

The city playground program attracted a total attendance of 116,890 during the 1959 season. A variety of activities were offered to the Bangor youngsters including arts, crafts, athletics, special events, tournament and leagues beside the general supervised apparatus play. A new playground located at Dow Air Force Base made a total of 11 grounds supervised by the department during the nine week season. New features added to the summer program were golf instruction twice each week and summer bowling five days a week with two playgrounds participating each day. These two new additions proved to be very popular.



COSTUME PARTY AT A PLAYGROUND

Boys between ages 13-16 were provided an opportunity to receive baseball instruction at the week long Annual Baseball Clinic and to participate in the 9-week league season. Nine teams participated in the Stan Musial League with Eastern Trust & Banking team emerging as champions. Several games were played under the lights including two All Star games.

The Men's Softball Program was divided into three leagues with twenty-four teams composing the program. Nearly 300 adult men participated in this activity plus another few hundred loyal spectators. The leagues were active five nights each week during the twelve week season. The City Championship was won by New England Pipe with Fairmount Hardware as runners up. Bangor was the host for the 1959 State Softball Championship Playoffs with eleven communities participating in the 17 team playoff. Waterville represented by Keyes-Fibre Corporation took the State Championship from defending champs New England Pipe of Bangor. The City Employees League again operated twice each week throughout the summer.

## Number of Employees:

Permanent	4
Temporary	33

## 1959 Expenditures:

Operating	\$54,761.99
Capital	8,754.21

Average attendance at the weekly series of outdoor dances was 900-1000 at each dance. The First National Stores Inc. furnished their parking lot for these dances and music was supplied by disc jockey through the courtesy of the United Stores and Rapaport Auto.

## *Swimming Program*

The city's only outdoor swimming pool is becoming more and more popular each year. This past season 23,727 used the pool during the twelve week season. 14,227 were paying customers and 500 attended the free Water Carnival. Swim instruction accounted for the remainder, with 400 registered. As the facility can accommodate about 200 for swim instruction, two groups were formed and each group received instruction every other day. A total of 135 passed swim instruction during the season. According to National Standards, a pool of this size with 4 lifeguards on duty the total swimmers should not exceed 300. During the season about 600 persons were turned away or had to wait due to crowded conditions at the pool. The first week of the season experienced poor weather but the pool was closed only six days due to weather conditions. The adult instruction during the evenings was very popular as was the family swim each evening.

## *Winter Activities*

The indoor ice skating program at the New Auditorium proved to be even more popular this year with an attendance of 18,090. The fact that the program is supervised and controlled accounts for much of the popularity. The Figure Skating Club provides instruction and supervision for the free skating lessons for youngsters under 13 years of age. The outdoor skating was not up to par in 1959 with only 25 days when ice was in skating condition. Five rinks are available during the winter months at Chapin Park, Mary Snow School, Second Street, Fairmount Park and Fairmount Terrace. Ten streets were blocked for sliding and six off-street areas were made available. Barriers with signs and lanterns are placed at the street sliding areas.

Another of the major and very popular winter activities is basketball. Twenty-nine teams participated in the three leagues with ten teams in the Jr. League for high school boys, ten and nine teams respectively in the American and National Leagues of adult men. The basketball season continued through March as Robinson-Kenney became American League Champions and City Champs by defeating the Indians of the National League. The Jr. City League was won by the DeMolay "A" team. In all some three hundred men and boys participated actively in this fifteen week program.

Sixteen teams formed the Women's Bowling League which operated each week from October to June. South-

ards Five won the league championship and were honored at the Annual Banquet at Pilots Grill. High Single for the season of 130 was won by Delina Nye and the High Three was won by Jane Kenny with a total of 321.

#### *Recreation Center*

Teenage attendance at the Elm Street Center for the year was about 17,000 who took part in the many activities and programs available. Special parties were held on Halloween, Mother's Day, and other holidays besides the regular dances. The teenagers also took part in painting the interior of the building, maintaining the grounds, sorting and distributing the playground equipment and erecting the Nativity Scene. Other Adult and Youth organizations met regularly at the Center, some of these are: Bangor Art Society, Christian Science Jr. Forum, Eastern Maine Friends of Retarded Children School, Square Dance Club, Couples Dance, Disabled Veterans, Football and Basketball Officials. The center is available to all interested clubs and organizations of a non-profit nature. The center program has expanded each year under the guidance of Lawrence "Pete" Furrow. One of the larger events for the younger set at the center was a puppet show.

The Men's Church Dart Baseball League continued to be popular with young and old alike. Fourteen teams played each week throughout the winter months. First Methodist defeated Holden Center for the Grand Championship at the Annual Banquet before some 165 spectators attending. In 1959, the league completed its thirteenth year of consecutive operation.

#### *Special Activities*

The Eighth Annual Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo was attended by forty-three boys and girls and some Dads and Mothers. The Penobscot County Conservation Association provided bus transportation to Bar Harbor where the boat was waiting. Diane Ebbersole, age 12, caught

the largest fish for the girls and Steven Watson, age 8, hauled in the largest in the boys' division. This is a very popular event with those who take part as they usually return another year.

The fourth Annual Jr. Dog Show held at Garland Street Field was postponed one week due to rainy weather. Sixty-five boys and girls entered their prize pets in the various classes. Once more the department is indebted to Gerald Ballanger, Mrs. James Stanley, Mrs. Louis Babcock, the Bangor Elks Club and Frank Ruby their representative.

The largest single special event in the program was the city-wide Halloween Celebration. More than 1,000 actively participated in the Window Painting Contest, Parade and Costume Skating Party. Rain again dampened activities but not spirits as the parade was postponed one day. Seventy-four windows were painted with 150 participants while nearly 400 skaters enjoyed the ice. The members of the Bangor Merchants' Bureau, Parent Teachers Association, Bangor Sub Deb Club, and the Bangor Art Society all cooperated to the success of this affair.

In 1959, the Bangor Band played five outdoor concerts and two indoor programs. The indoor programs proved to be very popular with 250-300 attending each concert.

A Children's Puppet Show produced by Frank Hamabe of the Bangor Art Society in November attracted 400-500 children. The Saturday morning affair was held at the City Hall Auditorium.

#### *Future*

A West Side Swimming Pool is planned at the Hayford Field Site on Union Street pending Council approval.

Plans have been formulated to organize a program for retired people of Bangor. The initial program will start at the City Hospital.



A BUSY DAY AT DAKIN PARK POOL

# Department of Health



William J. Carney, Health Officer

Number of Employees:	10
1959 Expenditures:	
Operating	\$46,877.62
Capital	893.18

The Health Department acts on behalf of the people to prevent the spread of disease, to improve the cleanliness of the environment, to protect citizens from the nuisances of the neighbors, to serve those who cannot afford medical attention and to promote an attitude of healthy living for a happier and more productive life.

## *Communicable Disease Control*

Programs of disease control, by investigation to determine the source of infection, by case finding to discover the diseases before they become injurious to others, by immunizing people against disease, and by the careful following of known cases, prevent the spread of communicable diseases throughout the city.

There were three outbreaks of communicable disease in 1959. The first occurred in January. The circumstances of this outbreak were so unique that an epidemiological consultation was requested from the United States Public Health Service. The outbreak was found to be viral hepatitis B, an unusual and rarely verified disease. The complete report of the outbreak was published in the December issue of the *Journal of the Maine Medical Association*.

In November, 42 people became ill following Thanksgiving Dinner. The epidemiological data was consistent with an outbreak caused by *Clostridium perfringens*. This organism was isolated from some of the food and the stools of some of those who were ill.

During the late summer months, the City Health Department participated in a research project conducted by the United States Public Health Service. We were concerned with 27 patients who had a "polio-like" illness, officially termed Aseptic Meningitis Syndrome of undetermined etiology. The causative agent of this entity is probably one of the enteric viruses, either coxsackie, echo or polio viruses.

In 1959 there was continued emphasis upon the discovery of previously unknown cases of tuberculosis. This is a joint program in conjunction with the Bangor-Brewer Tuberculosis and Health Association. A total of 553 chest x-rays were taken of food handlers. A total of 2090 tuberculin skin tests were performed on students in all grades in the parochial school, Husson College and contacts of known or suspicious cases of tuberculosis.

Home visits by our three public health nurses again increased in 1959, with the major emphasis continuing on tuberculosis control with 1,160 home visits.

Communicable diseases for 1959 showed a high incidence of chickenpox, measles and streptococcal nasopharyngitis.

## *Environmental Sanitation*

Programs controlling the cleanliness, safety and health of the environment assure people that the food they eat, the milk they drink and the water they consume is safe, that sewage disposal will not spread disease or become a nuisance, that swimming pools and trailer parks, bakeries and slaughter houses are so maintained that the health of the citizens is protected.

## ENVIRONMENTAL SANITATION

	Inspections
Restaurants, bakeries, caterers	682
Satisfactory	568
Unsatisfactory	114
Food Employee Chest X-rays	553
Water Samples Analyzed	105
Satisfactory	92
Unsatisfactory	13
Private Sewage Disposal	
Site Inspections	176
Permits Approved	26
Mobilehome Parks	78
Swimming Pools	27
Nuisance Complaints	87
Dog Bite Investigations	41
Markets and Slaughter Houses	331

There was considerable improvement this year in the sanitation of trailer parks. The entire sewage disposal system of one park was replaced and the addition of permanent sewage disposal facility for use of the trailers during the Bangor Fair contributed to the health of the environment.

There was improvement in the sanitation of three bakeries. One moved to a new location with larger facilities and two others expanded their plant to provide more healthful surroundings for the preparation of their bakery products.

During the month of May, a film on proper food service practices was shown to food service personnel in various restaurants throughout the city and at City Hall.

## *Individual Health Protection and Promotion*

Programs of service are directed toward the infant, the expectant mother, the school child, the dentally needy, the indigent and the adult who needs health supervision.

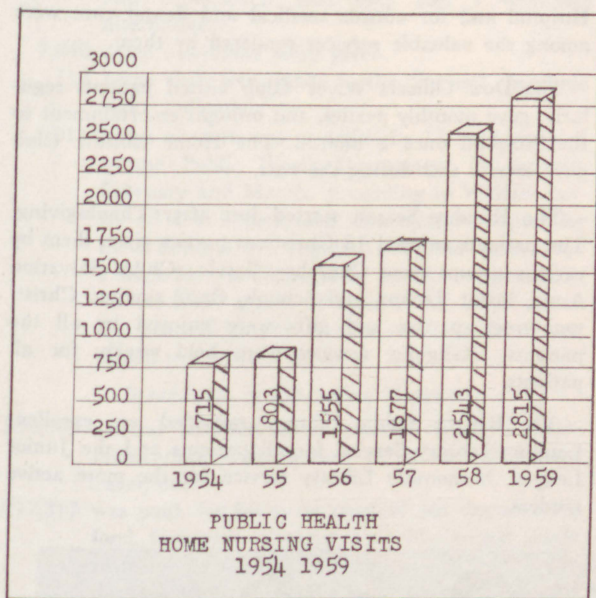
Well Baby Clinics held three times a month, and Pre-Natal Clinics held every Tuesday are conducted and staffed by the Eastern Maine General Hospital with the participation of our Public Health Nurses. Home visits to these patients increased last year, with 197 antepartum visits and 109 post-partum visits. There were also 145 nursing visits for infant health supervision.

*Clinic Participation at the Eastern Maine  
General Hospital*

Well Baby Clinics	35
New Patients	184
Return Visits	1,073
Physical Examinations	236
Vaccinations and Immunizations	994
Total Clinic Visits	1,257
Pre-Natal Clinics	52
New Patients	249
Return Examinations	1,174
Post Partum Examinations	123
Polio Vaccinations	252
Total Clinic Visits	1,546

The City Dental Clinic operated in 1959, without the services of a dental hygienist. Restorative work continued with 354 children appointed for dental services.

The parochial health program continued with 1519 pupils under supervision. The public health nurses made 409 school visits for physical examinations, audio-meter tests, eye testing, tuberculin testing and health education purposes. There were 124 home visits regarding these pupils.



The program of Public Health Nursing participation in the rounds of medical and surgical patients at the Eastern Maine General Hospital resulted in 42 medical patients being admitted to nursing service. There were 91 hospital visits and 181 home visits resulting from this service.

*Housing Rehabilitation*

Programs of housing rehabilitation assure tenants of minimum standards for the houses they rent, protect owners from the abuses of tenants, prevents deterioration of neighborhoods and provide tourists with sanitary lodging places.

*Summary of Housing Inspections*

Initial Inspections		Reinspections	
Structures	64	Structures	812
Dwelling Units	124	Dwelling Units	1684
Rooming Units	59	Rooming Units	2208
Absent Visits		191	

Personnel changes in the Housing Division resulted in the addition of a new Housing Inspector, Mr. Vinal M. Lamson, on June 1, 1959, and a Clerk Stenographer, Mrs. Charlotte Clark.

The results of a year's housing activity showed that 29 structures containing 225 dwelling units were rehabilitated and now comply with the minimum standards established by the City Council. Ten structures were demolished and seven others were declared unfit for human habitation and secured by boarding the doors and windows.

*Health Education*

Programs of education and inservice training, by stimulation of individual and community awareness, by communication with individuals and groups helped to promote an attitude of healthy living among our citizens.

The Student Nurse Training Program continued during the year of 1959, with 43 students from the Eastern Maine General Hospital School of Nursing, each participating in one week indoctrination courses in Public Health Nursing.

In July, the City Health Department was honored by the late Governor Clinton A. Clauson's appointment of its Health Officer as Chairman of the Maine Committee on Children and Youth, to prepare a delegation of 75 Maine citizens for the 1960 White House Conference on Children and Youth. Every 10 years since 1909, there has been a White House Conference on Children and Youth. The purpose of these conferences is to gather together representatives from throughout the country for the purpose of fact finding and evaluation resulting in recommendations for future activities regarding the children and youth of our nation.



LATE GOVERNOR CLAUSON APPOINTS CHAIRMAN TO MAINE COMMITTEE ON CHILDREN AND YOUTH

# Bangor City Hospital



Mrs. Florence G. Knapp, Hospital Administrator

Number of Employees:	36
1959 Expenditures:	
Operating	\$158,824.59
Less Welfare Credits	26,320.94
Net Operating Capital	\$132,503.65
	25,650.57

Bangor City Hospital—Comparative Statistics for 1958 and 1959 showed the following:

## Days of Patient Care

	1958	1959	Change
Home	7,822	5,998	—23%
Hospital	13,645	16,840	+24%

Total	21,467	22,838	+ 6%
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## Average Daily Census

Home	21	15
Hospital	38	48
Total	59	63

These statistics indicate that current demand is necessary for Hospital Status facilities where more intense care is necessary.

In 1959, 18% of the Hospital Status days care and 26% of the Home Status days care were supported by the local Welfare Department. In 1958, 34% Hospital Status days care and 40% of Home Status days care were supported by the local Welfare Department.

The capital improvements during the year included the fourth stage of the expansion program. This resulted in a modern, approved 14 bed unit on the First Floor South Wing which increased the bed capacity from 64 to 78. This unit will be opened for occupancy January 1, 1960.

The installations of the high pressure boiler and zone control heating systems were completed during the year.

The Staff Educational Program included in-training and outside institutes on Hospital Administration, Management, Supervision, Dietetics, Medical Records and Libraries.

Tentative plans are under way for a joint Hospital-Recreational Department program for occupational and recreational therapy for Hospital patients and for Bangor's "Golden Age" citizens. It is hoped that this program might lead to a Day Care Service if such is found beneficial to the citizens of Bangor.

Tentative constitution and bylaws and most of the ground work has been completed for forming a Hospital Auxiliary.

The Gray Ladies donated a total of 1121 hours of service to the Hospital. Game days, birthday parties, cook-outs, hostessing for all patient entertainment, occupational therapy, reading, letter writing, holiday decorating, chaperonage of patients to Eastern Maine General Hospital and for outside medical and dental care were among the valuable services rendered by them.

The Dow Officers Wives' Club visited patients regularly, gave monthly parties, and brought entertainment to the Hospital once a month. The Home Culture Club gave several teas during the year.

The Holiday Season started just after Thanksgiving. The patients enjoyed 18 Christmas parties given them by various groups from Churches, Service Clubs, Salvation Army, Scout Troops, and Schools, Carol singing, Christmas trees, parties and gifts were enjoyed by all the patients. Religious services were held weekly for all patients.

The Bangor Public Library provided an excellent Lending Library Service for all patients and the Junior League, bi-monthly Library service for the more active readers.



CITY COUNCIL VISITS NEW HOSPITAL WING

# Welfare Department

Ruth S. Lord, Welfare Director

Number of Employees:

5

1959 Expenditures:

Operating

\$94,267.79

Capital

397.98



This is the time of year when we ask ourselves, "Just what do the citizens want to know about their Public Welfare Department?" Figures are not very interesting and yet because of the confidentiality of records, figures seem the best way to show how time and money were spent.

901 people sought supplies, service or counsel and some sort of action was taken on every case.

774 persons shared in the relief given, 586 were members of families, 188 were single people.

705 applications or referrals for relief were received. Some had to be rejected because (1) resources were found which must be used before expecting public support and (2) it is not department policy to support able bodied single men. No one was turned away without a full hearing and explanation that they had a workable alternative.

2,640 office interviews were given.

716 home visits were made in the city and elsewhere when indicated.

1,011 hours of work was provided by 15 men assigned to the Public Works Department in January, February and March. According to Welfare policy all able bodied men who receive support for their families are required to labor three days a week for public works in partial compensation for the relief given. If there is any doubt about the physical condition of a man, he is not assigned to the work project.

## Breakdown of Operating Expense

\$18,409 general administration, salaries, supplies, communication, maintenance of office equipment, travel, etc.

\$17,317 was paid out for basic need of our department, food, fuel, rent, clothing, etc. The largest single item was food (\$11,169) and in addition to the food allowance we distributed over 3¼ tons of federal surplus foods, flour, rice, beans, cheese, butter, powdered milk, dried eggs, etc.

\$ 3,863 paid for doctors, dentists, private hospitals, appliances, etc.

\$26,321 to City Hospital for full or part pay of Welfare patients.

\$ 5,715 to local nursing and rest homes for those not eligible for City Hospital care. Some of this went for the board of children when a family emergency arose.

\$ 2,920 for the burial of destitute people.

\$ 530 for State Hospital Commitments. This payment goes to the examining physicians and might properly be added to the medical care figure above of \$3,863 except that considerable significance is found in the size of the payment.

Mostly, the commitments originate at the Police Department.

\$ 145 paid for private ambulances when a person had to be taken out of the city to another community. Some went for use of taxis and miscellaneous items.

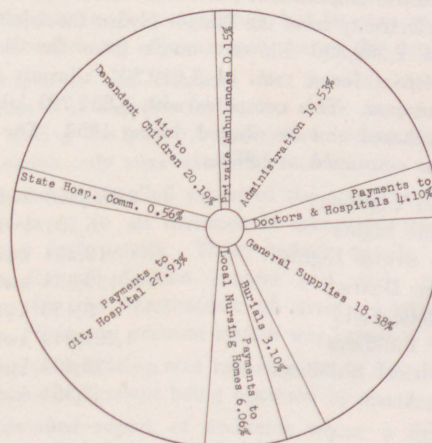
\$19,035 was Bangor's share (18%) of Aid to Dependent Children grants in the city and elsewhere who were the legal charges of the City, about 100 cases.

Specifically what does this total expenditure of \$94,255 mean to the citizens of Bangor?

The greatest number of applications came because of unemployment. In an area of seasonal labor, periods of unemployment are inevitable. Many applicants were unskilled laborers, then there were those with poor work records, unstable people, often sociopathic, plus some with personality problems who cause trouble on a job. They are always the last ones to be hired.

The next largest number of applications came from those seeking care of the aged sick person, or chronically ill younger person who either had no family at all or the needed care was more than the family home could provide. Some of these were eligible for admission to the City Hospital. Some by reason of residence history were not eligible for admission to City Hospital and were placed in privately operated nursing or rest homes in the city.

To give relief without social services is economically unsound. This is being proved in the close scrutiny being given the Aid to Dependent Children program, not only in Maine but across the Nation. We believe that more and better social services will be found to be the answer. There will be a more thoughtful screening of the cases and the exercise of casework skills in finding alternatives. As the quality—and necessarily the cost of staff—is raised



HOW THE RELIEF DOLLAR WAS SPENT

the fabulous disbursement of dollars in the A.D.C. grants will go down in much greater proportion. A study of 99 Bangor A.D.C. cases in 1959 showed that there were ten mothers married but husbands either were incapacitated by illness or in prison, 15 were unmarried mothers, 48 divorced, 17 married but deserted by husbands and 9 widows. Included in this were 36 multiproblem families. There were 78 illegitimate children born to recipients, (some of these children no longer young enough to be included in the grant.)

The very great need of case work skills applies particularly to the direct relief program. Certainly, we can prove in our own department when it has been possible to give time to counselling and supervision, which the clients themselves really want, many families can achieve economic and social independence and disappear from the relief rolls.

It is a time consuming process and cannot be accomplished by workers who have to spread their time and effort too thinly, as they determine eligibility for public support, prove "pauper settlement" and then type their own records.

Too many seem concerned with getting people *on* relief and too few in getting them *off* in a helpful constructive way. We can make a social diagnosis and evolve a constructive plan for treatment, but no plan will work by itself. It takes the implementation of qualified case workers and this means adequate staff.

A large number of our caseload are the immigrants, mostly from rural areas, who move into the city hoping to find better opportunities, job, education or living arrangements. Too many are young people, some married,

many divorced. They rarely have any church affiliation; often we find young adults raised in Maine who cannot read or write.

There is a challenge here to so help them that they do not develop into "chronic paupers." The term is unpleasant but offers perhaps the most emphatic description of the hopeless frustrated group who have stopped trying to compete in a complex society.

There is an increasing number of applications from the very young adults. It is true in Bangor Public Welfare Office as elsewhere in the State. This trend should be recognized as serious and carefully examined. It is much too easy to get married and divorced, then look to government for support.

This year as in the past we have had two U. of M. students assigned to us for their field work experience in social work in a public agency.

In-so-far as time permits, the Welfare staff has attended meetings geared to increase knowledge in Welfare. We have served on some committees and have done some public speaking about the Department's function. Mrs. Swett, caseworker, has been especially active in this respect. The Director has continued to serve on the Administrative Advisory Committee of the Penobscot County Association for the Blind. Regular monthly meetings of this Committee have been held at the Welfare Office.

The Department has been privileged to have "first choice" in the Fire Departments Christmas project. Mrs. Swett has had the responsibility of screening cases and the final rewarding experience of selecting the right gifts for the right child. This year, she was assisted by the U. of M. students.



## Electric Department

Leon J. Cole, City Electrician

<b>Number of Employees:</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>1959 Expenditures:</b>	
<b>Operating</b>	<b>\$85,395.35</b>
<b>Capital</b>	<b>51,852.37</b>

The Electric Department purchased 1,641,200 kilowatt hours of electricity from the Bangor Hydro Electric Company and 2,289,300 kilowatt hours from the Bangor Water District for a total of 3,930,501 kilowatt hours during the year. This compares with 3,852,785 kilowatt hours purchased and distributed during 1958. The electricity was consumed as follows:

Street Lighting	2,460,368 kwh
Traffic Lights	6,201 kwh
New Bridge Lights	19,504 kwh
Water District	130,884 kwh
Athletic Field	9,450 kwh
City Buildings	1,263,049 kwh
Electrical Buildings	38,494 kwh
Fire Alarm	2,551 kwh
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	3,930,501 kwh

Considerable improvement was made in the city street lighting system during the year with 39 Mercury Vapor fixtures being installed in the downtown area as well as 50 complete incandescent light fixtures, nine extra brackets, 19 extra heads, 19 extra reflectors and 14 extra adapters being installed. The department answered 2,458 complaints, replaced 1,971 street light lamps, and 49 mercury tubes during the year.

A new street light extension was made on Grand View Avenue with the installation of 600 feet of No. 4 aluminum wire and four new light fixtures. 400 feet of No. 6 wire was installed on Rutland Street and new services were installed at Longfellow School and at the City Hospital.

On Alden Street, 1300 feet of No. 6 wire was installed and 1200 feet was installed on Union Street in building from temporary to arch circuits on the Interstate Highway project.

Ninety lamps were replaced in traffic lights during 1959 and three police globes were installed. One thousand feet of wire was renewed on police circuits from the underground installation on Oak Street to Pine and Hancock Street (Police Box No. 123).

On the fire alarm circuits, new sprinkler services were installed at Standard Electric Company on Farm Road, Fox and Ginn on Thatcher Street, and the Theological Seminary on Union Street.

Five complete tests were made on the main line fire alarm boxes and five complete tests on sprinkler boxes, during the year. Fire alarm circuits renewed during the year included the following:

1. 1200 feet on Grove Street from Mt. Hope Avenue to Stillwater Avenue.

2. 1400 feet on sprinkler circuit on Newbury Street.
3. 750 feet on fire alarm siren at Main and Union Streets.
4. Underground cable on Main Street from Hammond to Union.
5. 600 feet on Union Street and 900 feet on Alden Street in rebuilding from temporary to permanent fire alarm circuits on the Interstate Highway projects.

In addition, the number 2 fire alarm circuit was changed from overhead to underground from Essex Street to Station 5 on State Street and the temporary fire alarm circuit at the overpass on Main Street was rebuilt to a permanent installation.

## Public Works Department

**Roger W. Merrill, Director**

**Number of Employees:**

**1959 Expenditures:**

Permanent	109
Temporary	30-40

**1959 Expenditures:**

Operating	\$541,724.71
Capital	675,565.91

The Public Works Department provides the second largest municipal service. The work of the department is to construct, improve, and maintain the public facilities allotted to it as public works functions. The work must be carried out within the framework of the State laws and City Ordinances.

Most of the public works function is controlled by the laws and ordinances. Other sources of the public works functions are requests for services from the public, directives from the City Council and the City Manager.



The Public Works maintains its physical plant at 25 Court Street in the Municipal garage. The offices of the department are on the second floor of this building and may be reached by descending the flight of steps next to the entrance of the Municipal Court. The first floor of the building houses the truck fleet and mechanical maintenance shop. The basement section is a series of storage bays constructed with varying heights to accommodate the larger construction equipment. The second floor is occupied by the offices, sewer shop, parks and forestry shop and the carpenter shop.

### *Administrative Division*

**Budget:** Next to the Department of Education, the Public Works Department budget is the largest of all city departments. The total budget for 1959 amounted to \$1,084,222 and was the largest budget ever allocated to the department. To maintain a balanced budget for this department is a challenge but is most essential to the successful and efficient operation of the department.

**Complaints and Requests for Service:** Over 2,700 complaints or requests for service were recorded at the office during the year. A great many other requests for information only were handled in addition.

**Reports:** A detailed report of the activities and progress of work in all divisions is submitted to the City Manager each month. These include detailed cost accounts for all division centers and each designated project for the construction of streets, highways, and sewers. This cost account system was installed in 1959.

Also, an operating cost report is made for all vehicles and heavy equipment being operated by the department.

A detailed report of accidents where a department vehicle is involved is submitted monthly.



**PAVING PROGRAM**

Requisitions and Field Purchase Orders: Over 950 requisitions were sent to the Purchasing Department and more than 2,600 Field Purchase Orders were issued during the year.

Transfers and Commitments: More than 800 transfers and commitments were made in 1959 covering work done for other departments. These charges totaled nearly \$30,000.

Journal transfers are submitted weekly to the City Auditor with classified detail for all equipment charges for the week. Journal transfers are also submitted weekly, distributing the proportionate overhead charges to the proper budget and job order accounts.

Payroll: The payrolls for employees in all divisions in the department are made up weekly. These payrolls classify and distribute all charges to the proper budget accounts, including sick leave, vacations, holidays, and compensation.

Stores: A stores inventory averaging \$50,000 is maintained by the department in two sections, one located in the garage shop including materials, parts, equipment, and accessories and the other located at the front of the building, responsible for the gasoline and oil inventory, in connection with the garage, as well as the Public Works Materials account which supplies all outside maintenance jobs and construction projects.

#### *Garage Division*

The Garage Division furnishes and maintains all automotive and construction equipment used by the divisions of the Public Works Department. The garage also maintains all city owned vehicles except the Fire Department's. During 1959 the Garage Division replaced one five-cubic-yard dump truck, two three-cubic-yard dump trucks, one sixteen-cubic-yard rubbish packer with a twenty-cubic-yard packer, and one jeep sidewalk plowing unit. New equipment added to the division were a twelve ton three wheel roller and a used panel truck acquired for Civil Defense from Dow Air Force Base, also a new six and one-half cubic yard hopper-type automatic sanding body.

The first three months the Garage Division was busy maintaining snow plowing and snow removal equipment, with little time for protective maintenance work.

In April and May the snow equipment was removed and placed in storage. The summer equipment, tar distributors, sweepers, mowers, flusher and sewer cleaner truck removed from storage, checked and serviced for the season. The April State Inspections were made on all city-owned vehicles, including the Fire Department vehicles.

June, July, August and September are construction months and the Garage is hard at work, as the largest amount of equipment is being used at its heaviest type of work. This causes the number of breakdowns and emergency repairs to require continuous attention of the division.

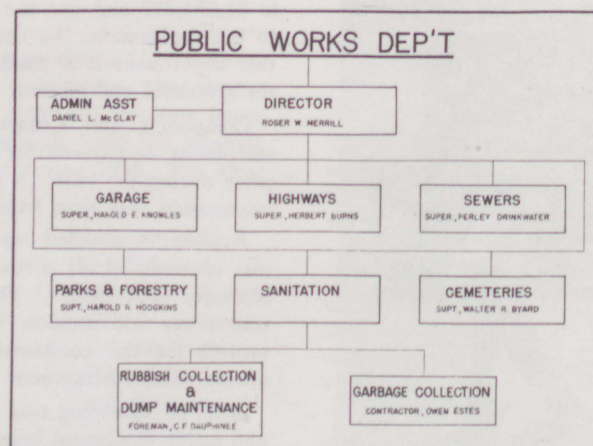
October is the month for again readying the winter maintenance equipment and the repairing, painting, and storing of the special summer equipment.

November and December are, weather permitting, repair and adjustment time for the equipment that has had a hard year of use. This is the only real preventive maintenance the division is able to accomplish.

#### *Highway Division*

This is the Public Works Department's largest division. The work of this division is to construct, improve, and maintain all streets, sidewalks and bridges in the city.

*Winter Maintenance:* During 1959 the City of Bangor had seventeen snowstorms and two ice storms. The total accumulation of snow was eighty-one inches. The first part of the year was very cold, and the ground was frozen to a depth of four feet in many places. The Highway Division plowed, sanded, salted, and removed snow from the downtown and commercial areas of the city. 1,815 tons of salt, 8,230 tons of sand, and 30 tons of calcium chloride were spread on the streets to aid winter travel. A portable steam cleaner and 150 man-days were used to thaw frozen catchbasins and culverts to avoid flooding in soft weather. Considerable patching was done with asphalt patch and some sand patching during the cold weather.





WORK BEGINS ON PICKERING SQUARE PARKING LOT

*Summer Maintenance:* Spring cleanup of the largest accumulation of sand in the city's history started late in March. Work continued until early July, with 859 man-days, two power sweepers, a rotary broom, two trucks, and a power flusher being used. All the principal streets were cleaned once. The spring rain and heavy construction traffic caused a second and third sweeping in some areas.

Work on road drainage was done in the Valley Avenue, Kenduskeag Avenue, and Bruce Road area where bad water conditions developed during the winter. Ditches were cleaned, road culverts and driveway culverts, furnished by property owners, were installed on Ohio, Essex Streets, and on Stillwater Avenue.

The country roads around the new government housing on outer Ohio Street were broken up by heavy trucking of the contractors in the area. Those roads were patched by the city forces, with gravel furnished by the contractors.

Paving of city streets was completed in the following areas:

Harlow Street from Franklin to Central Street  
Main Street from Hammond to Union Street  
Main Street from May to Davis Street  
Summer Street from May to Railroad Street  
Railroad Street from Summer to Main Street  
Main Street from Farm Road to Tin Bridge  
Ohio Street from Fourteenth to Fifteenth Street

*Surface Treatment:* Surface treatment for the year used 206,534 gallons of cut-back asphalt and tar. Approximately thirty miles of streets and roads were treated. The new 12-ton three wheel roller enabled the department to do more heavy mulching and less sealing work on streets than in other years.

The Garland Street Field track was widened and the field event areas rebuilt to National AAU Standards, and a very successful AAU meet was held in connection with the Quartqui Centennial. Bass Park was readied for the Quartqui Centennial cooking contest, and bleachers were set up on the river bank for the Quartqui Centennial

boat racing. The public landing was placed in the river, and Bass Park prepared for the annual fair and harness racing. The floor of the High School gymnasium was removed, and a new floor was laid. A large boulder was set in Grotto Cascade Park, and a bronze plaque furnished by the D.A.R. was attached, locating the site of the first schoolhouse in Bangor. Schoolhouse yards were surface treated and repairs made to Garland Street and Fifth Street yards. Pumps were maintained at the following locations:

Little City Park  
Fairmount Park  
Webster Avenue  
Summit Park  
Mount Hope Avenue near Garland Field

*Patching:* Patching crews worked throughout the year help the traveling on our streets. 3,021 cubic yards of pre-mixed patch were used during the year. This patching is necessary, as many of our streets were never constructed and have no gravel base. The work of the interstate road and construction at the Dow Base have caused many of our streets to carry traffic in excess of their capabilities.

*Sidewalk Construction:* The sidewalk program, as planned, was completed with 21,240 linear feet of hot asphalt sidewalk completed. Concrete cement curbs were rebuilt on the east side of Main Street and in front of the Post Office. New sidewalks of cement concrete were constructed around the Grant Company, in Post Office Mall, and in front of the new Mart Building on Harlow Street.

*New Construction:* Harlow Street had been left incomplete over the winter in insure proper settlement to fill and base gravel. Work started early in May, and the curbing and drainage structures were completed. Paving started in June, and the project was completed in July.

Harlow Court was excavated, graveled, and curbs were installed. The city acquired the abutting property on

the south side of Harlow Court. Buildings on this property were removed, and the department excavated and graveled the area to add to the parking in Abbott Square Annex. Fill and gravel were hauled to Perry Road West to enable the State to plan its bridge to accommodate this road. Perry Road East was constructed near the new potato chip factory and was completed except for surface treatment. Work was started on the Farm Road Extension, with the installation of culverts to carry the brook under the roadway. The New England Pipe Company yard was repaired where traffic had broken it down during the construction of Farm Road by the Interstate Highway Contractors. The Adler Parking Lot was paved and sealed. The new Pickering Square Parking Lot was filled and graveled, and temporary parking fences were erected in time for Christmas shoppers.

The Gravel Pit is operated by the Highway Division and opened in April, with the stripping of the top soil from the bank to enable us to get at better gravel. The Crusher Plant started late in May and closed in November, producing 26,477 cubic yards of stone and washed sand.

The Asphalt Plant is also operated by the Highway Division. The plant started operating on June 1 and closed in November. The plant used 98,310 gallons of A-C asphalt, 27,000 gallons of M-C asphalt, and 9,905 gallons of R-T tar blend. The plant produced 7,929 tons of hot mix and 2,790 tons of cold mix during the year.

The Highway Division finished most of the work planned for it and much that was added as the year progressed. The weather was very wet except for the months of July, August, and part of September. This is a big factor in determining the amount of construction that can be done in one season.

#### *Sewer Division*

*Sewer Maintenance:* The Sewer Division connected seventy new buildings into the sewer system during the year. Repairs were made to sewers into the following streets:

Olive Street	Sixteenth Street
Essex Street	Sanford Street
Parkview Avenue	Bellevue Avenue
Ohio Street	Fourteenth Street

Sewers were cleaned and flushed in the following city streets:

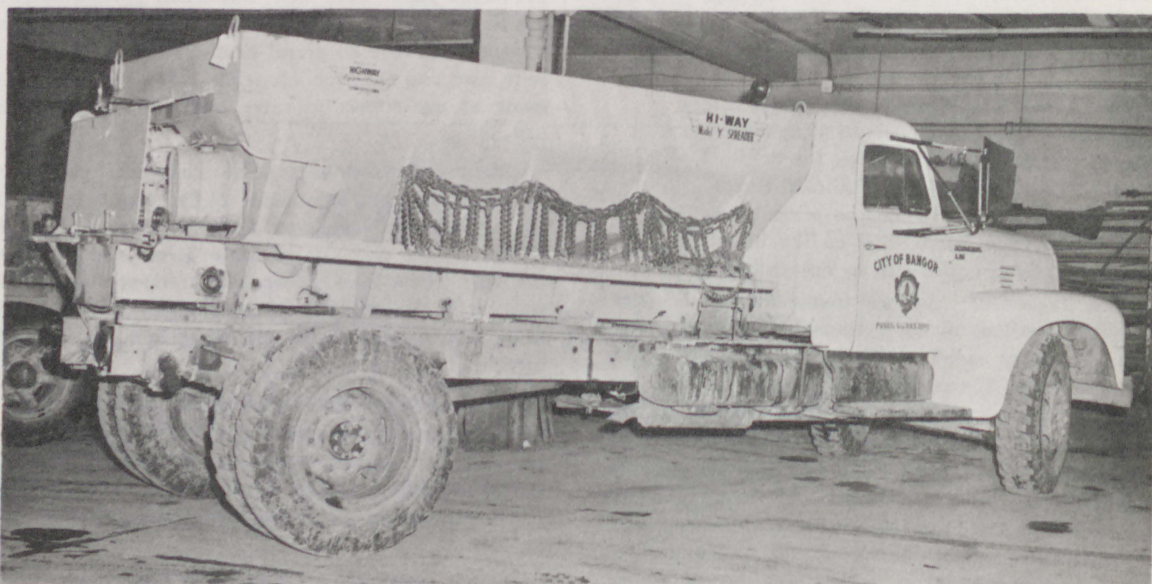
Olive Street	Tyler Avenue
Fourteenth Street	Thatcher Street
Ohio Street	Eddyway Street
Carter Street	Buck Street
Fairfax Street	Hannibal Street
Brookline Avenue	Mount Hope Avenue
Spring Street	French Street Extension

Repairs were made to thirty-nine catchbasins and fifteen manholes. 1,525 catchbasins were cleaned, with 1,885 cubic yards of waste being removed. During the winter months the crews in this division work on snow and ice removal with the Highway Division.

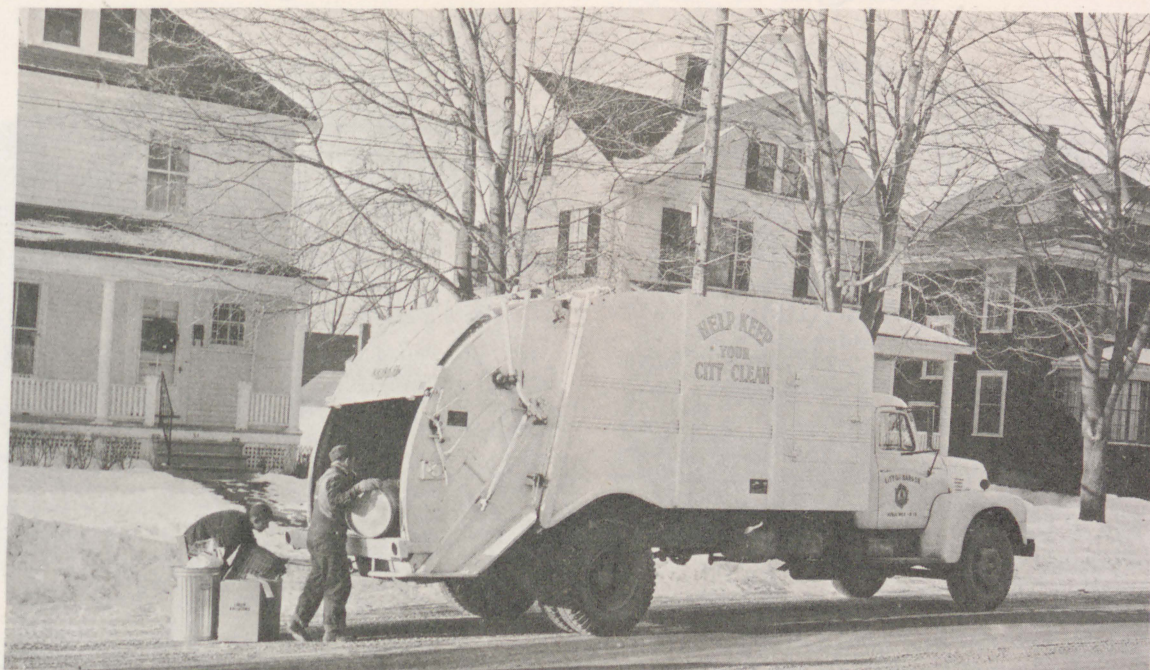
*Sewer Construction:* With work done by city forces, construction of new sewers was completed as follows:

Harlow Street—2 Catchbasins
Otis Street—60 feet 8" tile and 1 manhole
Alden Street—22 feet 8" tile and 1 catchbasin
Under new Interstate—400 feet 24" concrete and 1 manhole
Union Street—172 feet 12" tile
Fernald Heights—340 feet 12" tile, 1,170 feet 8" tile, 4 manholes
Bass Park—40 feet 8" tile, 510 feet 6" tile, 1 manhole, 48 cast iron connections for trailers
Ralph Street—204 feet 15" concrete, 1 manhole
Brookline Avenue—100 feet 15" concrete, 1 catchbasin
Sanford Street—480 feet 12" tile
Curtis Street—64 feet 12" tile, 240 feet 8" tile, 1 manhole, 2 catchbasins

Work done by contractors included: continuation on Industrial Park Sewer, a trunk sewer was constructed from State Street to the Woodlawn Development on Mount Hope Avenue, sewers were laid in Allen Street, McLaughlin Street and a storm water drain was laid in the Abbott Square Annex Parking lot with four catchbasins.



NEW SANDING UNIT



NEW 20 CU. YD. RUBBISH PACKER IN OPERATION

#### *Parks and Forestry Division*

This division worked on snow removal through March, with a small amount of tree work, weather permitting.

In April, the parks, malls, school grounds, and athletic fields were raked and cleaned. Plow damage to esplanades was repaired, and lime and fertilizer was spread where needed.

During May, June, July and August the Parks and Forestry Division was very active tending the shrubs, flower gardens, walks and lawn in the parks, around the school grounds, maintaining the appearance and safety of the playgrounds and athletic fields. Sanitation work on shade trees and inspection for signs of Elm beetle and other pests detrimental to the trees continued. Dead and unsafe trees were removed.

In September and October work continued on maintenance of the parks, malls and ballfields. Work went on with the trimming and removing of diseased and dangerous trees.

As the leaves started to fall, the Parks and Forestry Division's crews were turned over to the Highway Division to start the annual fall cleanup of leaves. The park benches and equipment were put away for the winter.

For the year the tree crew removed 98 trees and cleaned the deadwood from 418 trees. Work continued on the fall cleanup until the snow removal program took over in December.

#### *Sanitation Division*

The Sanitation Division worked on its regular bi-monthly schedule and collected 2,030 loads of rubbish for the year. A new twenty cubic yard load packer to

replace a sixteen cubic yard packer was put into use in October and cut the number of loads per day by one for the rest of the year.

The Kittridge Road dump was maintained in fair condition until early in December. At this time a check on the loads showed that Dow Air Force Base was hauling more rubbish than the city forces. A request was made for the use of a Dow Base bulldozer once each week to better maintain the dumping area. Dow Air Base is now furnishing this service which has greatly improved the area. The Sanitation Division wishes to express its appreciation to the Dow Air Base authorities for its fine co-operation.

The garbage collection contract was carried out in a most satisfactory manner by the contractor, Owen Estey.

#### *Cemetery Division*

This division cared for the three City cemeteries at Oak Grove, Maple Grove, and Pine Grove. During the year there were sixty-two burials and two disinterments. The cemeteries were well cared for during the summer months and records of lots and burials were much improved. The care of the city owned section of Mount Hope Cemetery was contracted to the Mount Hope Cemetery Corporation and was done in a satisfactory manner. The City forces made repairs to the city owned tomb at Mount Hope Cemetery.

Costs of operation have shown a substantial decrease, and standards of operation a marked improvement, since the cemeteries operation was taken over by the Cemetery Division in 1958.

# Bangor's 125th Anniversary

The year 1959 marked Bangor's 125th Anniversary. The Quartqui Centennial scheduled the following list of events and conventions:

## Calendar of Events

Community Carol Singing and Nativity Scene	Dec. 12-24, 1958
Bonfire of 13,000 Christmas Trees and Fireworks	Dec. 31, 1958
Downeast Classic (College Basketball Tournament)	Dec. 31-Jan. 3
Historical Exhibits Open—Bangor Public Library	All Year
Erection of Street Banners and Decorations	Jan. 2, 1959
Bangor Daily News Sports Award Dinner	Jan. 17
Three Outstanding Young Men Award Dinner	Jan. 24
Dedication of World's Largest Paul Bunyan Statue	Jan. 29
Paul Bunyan Days (Winter Carnival)	Jan. 29-Feb. 1
Anniversary Birthday Cake Baking Contest	Feb. 11
Bangor's Birthday Celebration	Feb. 12
WGUY Homemakers Exposition	Feb. 19-21
State High School Basketball Tournament	Feb. 23-Mar. 7
Sportsman's Show	Mar. 9-14
Ice Capades	Mar. 17-22
Paint-up, Clean-up, Fix-up Campaign	April, May and June
Easter Sunrise Service	Mar. 29
Notre Dame Glee Club Concert	April 1
All-State High School Music Festival	April 1-4
Bangor Civic Theatre Presented "Streetcar Named Desire"	April 8, 9, 10
Shrine Circus	April 17, 18
Bangor Savoyards Presented "Oklahoma"	April 30-May 1

Maypole Dance Festival	May 1, 2
Eastern Maine High School Music Festival	May 9
Cub Scout Show	May 16
Salute to Armed Forces	May 23, 24
Gene Holter's Wild Animal Show	May 28-30
Maine Dairy Princess Contest	May 29
Opening of Anniversary Exhibition Building	June 1-Sept. 7
Tourist Tours	June 1-Sept. 7
Soap Box Derby	June 13
Pyrotechnic Extravaganza "Out of the Darkness"	June 27-July 5
Salute to Atlantic Provinces	June 29, 30-July 1
National AAU Jr. Track and Field Meet	July 3, 4
Homecoming, Chicken Barbecue, International Outdoor Cooking Contest	July 4
Outboard Marathon	July 11
Speedboat Racing	July 12
Night Harness Racing	July 27-Aug. 1
Bangor Fair	Aug. 3-8
Paul Bunyan State Open Golf Tournament (largest in U. S.)	Aug. 19-23
Professional Football Game—N. Y. Giants vs. Green Bay Packers	Sept. 5
State of Maine Softball Play-offs	Sept. 6-13
Industrial Recognition Dinner	Oct. 9
Halloween Parade	Oct. 31
Santa Claus Parade	Nov. 27
Community Carol Singing and Nativity Scene	Dec. 11-23
Christmas Lighting Contest	Christmas Week
Downeast Classic	Dec. 28, 29, 30
Burying of Time Capsule	Dec. 31

## CONVENTIONS HELD DURING ANNIVERSARY YEAR

Maine Federation of Women's Clubs  
Maine Mission Rally—Maine Baptist Women's Association  
Maine Pharmaceutical Association  
Disabled American Veterans  
Congregational Christian Conference  
Maine Health Council  
Maine Elks and Emblem Clubs  
Maine VFW  
American Institute of Electrical Engineers  
American Legion State Convention  
Columbian Squires  
Amateur Radio Ham Fest  
Northeastern Shrine Association  
Maine Library Association  
Eastern State Teachers Association  
Maine Congress of Parents and Teachers  
New England Jaycees  
Maine Hotel Association  
State Tuberculosis Association

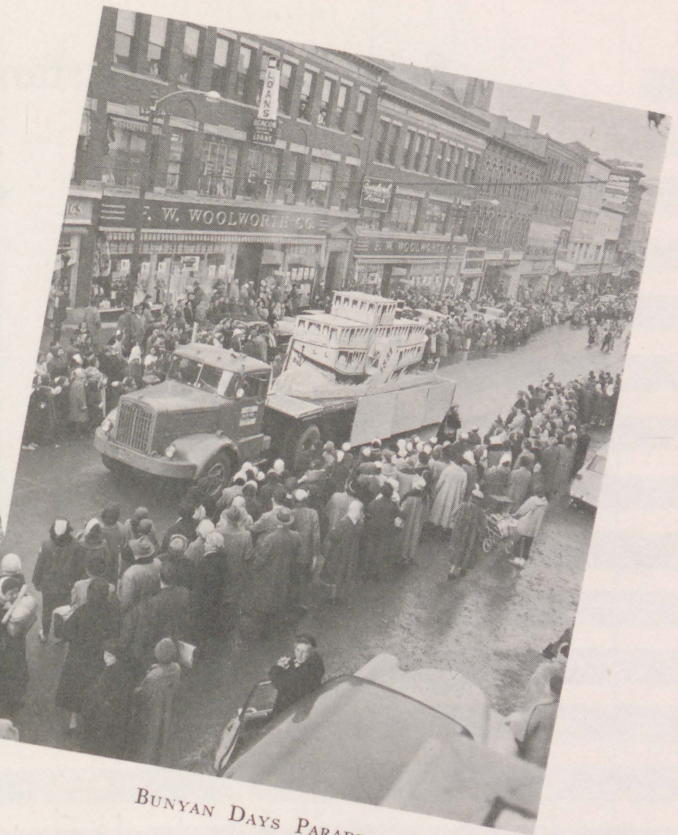


MISS 125TH ANNIVERSARY LOUENNA KOSTENBAUDER

# Important Civic Events During 1959



UNVEILING OF PAUL BUNYAN STATUE



BUNYAN DAYS PARADE



DEDICATION OF INDUSTRIAL SPUR

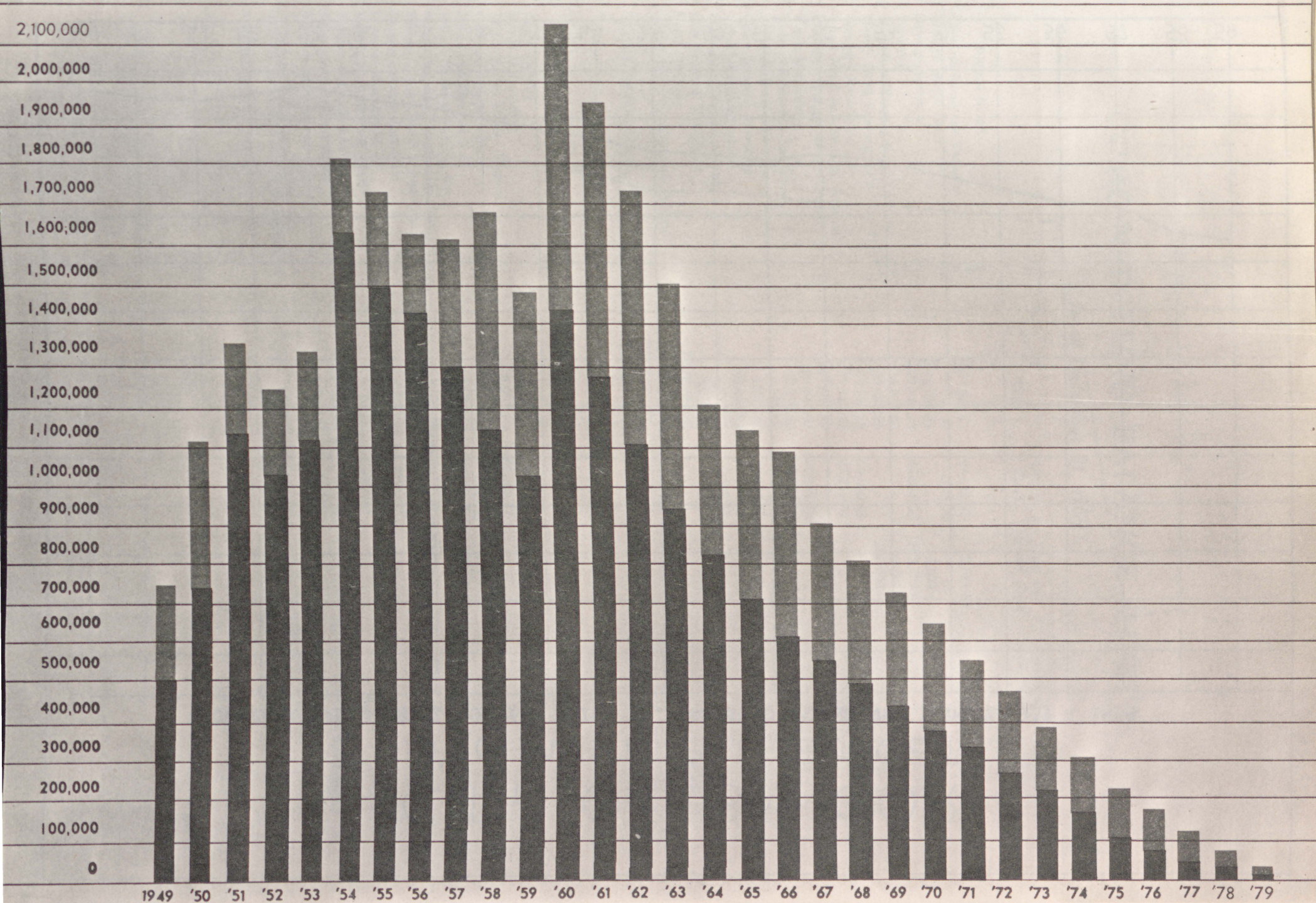
# Schedule of Outstanding Municipal Debt

		<i>General</i>	<i>School</i>	<i>Water</i>	<i>Total</i>
1960	Outstanding Jan. 1	\$745,800	\$1,372,200	\$65,000	\$2,183,000
	Payments	61,100	148,900	17,000	227,000
1961	Outstanding Jan. 1	684,700	1,223,300	48,000	1,956,000
	Payments	61,100	146,900	17,000	225,000
1962	Outstanding Jan. 1	623,600	1,076,400	31,000	1,731,000
	Payments	61,100	146,900	17,000	225,000
1963	Outstanding Jan. 1	562,500	929,500	14,000	1,506,000
	Payments	59,500	121,500	7,000	188,000
1964	Outstanding Jan. 1	503,000	808,000	7,000	1,318,000
	Payments	59,500	104,500	7,000	171,000
1965	Outstanding Jan. 1	443,500	703,500		1,147,000
	Payments	49,500	98,500		148,000
1966	Outstanding Jan. 1	394,000	605,000		999,000
	Payments	42,000	55,000		97,000
1967	Outstanding Jan. 1	352,000	550,000		902,000
	Payments	38,000	55,000		93,000
1968	Outstanding Jan. 1	314,000	495,000		809,000
	Payments	28,000	55,000		83,000
1969	Outstanding Jan. 1	286,000	440,000		726,000
	Payments	28,000	55,000		83,000
1970	Outstanding Jan. 1	258,000	385,000		643,000
	Payments	28,000	55,000		83,000
1971	Outstanding Jan. 1	230,000	330,000		560,000
	Payments	28,000	55,000		83,000
1972	Outstanding Jan. 1	202,000	275,000		477,000
	Payments	28,000	55,000		83,000
1973	Outstanding Jan. 1	174,000	220,000		394,000
	Payments	28,000	55,000		83,000
1974	Outstanding Jan. 1	146,000	165,000		311,000
	Payments	28,000	55,000		83,000
1975	Outstanding Jan. 1	118,000	110,000		228,000
	Payments	28,000	22,000		50,000
1976	Outstanding Jan. 1	90,000	88,000		178,000
	Payments	28,000	22,000		50,000
1977	Outstanding Jan. 1	62,000	66,000		128,000
	Payments	28,000	22,000		50,000
1978	Outstanding Jan. 1	34,000	44,000		78,000
	Payments	17,000	22,000		39,000
1979	Outstanding Jan. 1	17,000	22,000		39,000
	Payments	17,000	22,000		39,000

DOLLARS

OCTOBER 15, 1959  
SCHEDULE OF OUTSTANDING DEBT  
(SHOWN AS OF JAN. 1 OF EACH YEAR)

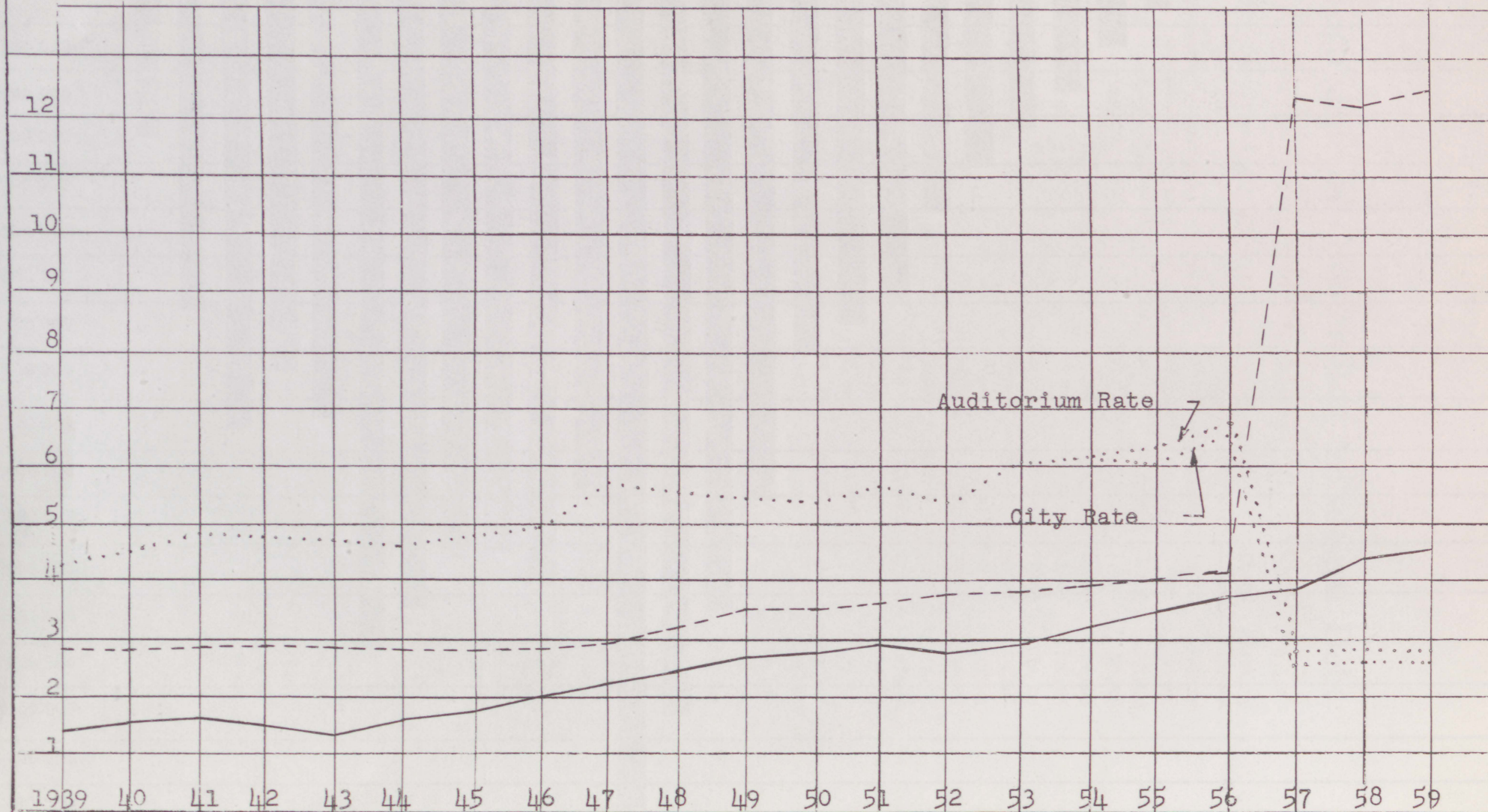
GENERAL SCHOOL WATER



# CITY OF BANGOR

## 1960 MUNICIPAL BUDGET

COMPARATIVE SCHEDULE OF TAX RATES VS. ASSESSED VALUES VS. BUDGET 1939 - 1959



Tax Rate, Tens of Dollars

Assessed Value, Tens of Millions

Total Budget, in Millions

# COMBINED FUND BALANCE SHEET

As at December 31, 1959

	Total	General Fund	Trust and Agency Fund	Municipal Debt Fund	Fixed Asset Fund
<b>RESOURCES</b>					
Cash on Hand and Deposits	227,642.11	144,787.23	82,864.88		
Postage Meter Fund	500.00	500.00			
Savings Accounts	16,609.41		16,609.41		
Securities	612,179.13	346,381.00	265,798.13		
Custody of Kirstein Fund Trustees	16,434.60		16,434.60		
Hersey Fund Investments in City Hall	100,000.00		100,000.00		
Accounts Receivable	50,690.22	50,690.22			
Town Road Improvement Account	21,315.42	21,315.42			
Due from Bangor Water District	65,000.00			65,000.00	
Taxes Receivable	209,044.07	209,044.07			
Taxes Receivable—Tax Deeds	28,270.38	28,270.38			
Accounts Receivable—Sewer Deeds	4,168.13	4,168.13			
Office Supplies Inventory	1,047.48	1,047.48			
Public Works Inventory	33,346.72	33,346.72			
Ordinance Revision Account	2,059.12	2,059.12			
City Property Tax Deeds	5,973.45				5,973.45
Fixed Property	9,318,894.18				9,318,894.18
To be Provided in Future Periods	2,118,000.00			2,118,000.00	
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES</b>	<b>\$12,831,184.42</b>	<b>\$841,609.77</b>	<b>\$481,707.02</b>	<b>\$2,183,000.00</b>	<b>\$9,324,867.63</b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND RESERVES</b>					
Notes Payable	153,000.00			153,000.00	
Bonds Outstanding	2,030,000.00			2,030,000.00	
Motor Excise Taxes—Prepaid	16,952.41	16,952.41			
Off Street Parking Fund	5,636.19	5,636.19			
Police and Fire Services	704.39*	704.39*			
School National Defense Act	9,307.90	9,307.90			
School Building Construction Fund	29,892.00	29,892.00			
Reserve—Town Road Improvement	21,315.42	21,315.42			
Reserve—Group Insurance	1,065.82	1,065.82			
Reserve—Encumbrances	530,853.90	530,853.90			
Reserve—Uncollected Taxes	5,368.54	5,368.54			
Reserve—Miscellaneous	481,707.02		481,707.02		
Investment in Fixed Assets	9,324,867.63				9,324,867.63
Surplus	221,921.98	221,921.98			
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES</b>	<b>\$12,831,184.42</b>	<b>\$841,609.77</b>	<b>\$481,707.02</b>	<b>\$2,183,000.00</b>	<b>\$9,324,867.63</b>

\*Deduct

# Statement of Revenue — Estimated and Actual

For the Year Ended December 31, 1959

	<i>Estimated Revenue</i>	<i>Total Revenue</i>
<b>TAXES—CURRENT YEAR'S LEVY</b>		
Real Property	\$2,557,905.00	\$2,598,776.50
Personal Property	691,000.00	648,052.60
Polls	17,000.00	20,541.00
Total Taxes Current Year's Levy	\$3,265,905.00	\$3,267,370.10
<b>TAXES—PRIOR YEAR'S AND OTHER LOCAL</b>		
Taxes—Prior year's Levies	\$119,000.00	\$182,786.86
Tax Deeds and Sale of Property	52,200.00	23,045.48
Other Local Taxes and Penalties	245,800.00	266,927.61
Total Taxes Prior Years and Other Local	417,000.00	472,759.95
<b>LICENSES AND PERMITS</b>		
For Street Use	\$61,000.00	\$62,502.24
Street Privileges and Permits	250.00	1,055.28
Business Licenses	1,600.00	1,205.00
Police and Protective	2,355.00	3,549.00
Amusements	365.00	479.00
Professional and Occupational	272.00	698.00
Non-Business Licenses and Permits	3,250.00	4,170.09
Total Licenses and Permits	69,092.00	73,658.61
<b>FINES, FORFEITS AND PENALTIES</b>		
Fines and Court Fees	\$26,800.00	\$25,961.90
Total Fines, Forfeits and Penalties	\$26,800.00	\$25,961.90
<b>USE OF MONEY AND PROPERTY</b>		
Miscellaneous Rent and Concessions	\$10,950.00	\$12,737.70
Municipal Auditorium	49,950.00	46,040.59
Total Use of Money and Property	\$60,900.00	\$58,778.29
<b>FROM OTHER AGENCIES</b>		
State Shared Taxes	\$32,100.00	\$32,449.69
State Grants in Aid	206,000.00	228,656.10
Federal Grants in Aid	108,800.00	115,223.44
Payments in Lieu of Taxes	1,774.00	1,773.60
Total from Other Agencies	\$348,674.00	\$378,102.83
<b>CHARGES FOR CURRENT SERVICES</b>		
General Government	\$9,385.00	\$12,621.59
Safety	3,100.00	5,229.11
Highway	200.00	354.31
Sanitation	7,350.00	4,946.92
Health	1,800.00	2,520.00
Hospital	105,600.00	112,144.19
Schools	46,250.00	45,898.90
Cemeteries	6,600.00	5,943.27
Dow Field Playground	1,000.00	900.00
Public Buildings	19,700.00	17,587.80
Total Charges for Current Services	\$200,985.00	\$208,146.09
<b>TRANSFERS FROM OTHER FUNDS</b>		
Storage Space Construction Fund	\$14,001.00	\$14,001.00
Public Works Equipment Reserve	55,000.00	54,606.68
Off Street Parking Fund	25,000.00	25,000.00
Total Transfers from Other Funds	\$94,001.00	\$93,607.68
<b>REIMBURSEMENTS</b>		
General Government	\$460.00	\$544.83
Welfare	20,000.00	20,914.73
Electrical and Public Works	94,000.00	16,336.98
Notes and Bonds	935,000.00	855,000.00
Total Reimbursements	\$1,049,460.00	\$892,796.54
<b>GRAND TOTAL—REVENUE</b>	<b>\$5,532,817.00</b>	<b>\$5,471,181.99</b>

# Appropriations, Expenditures, and Unexpended Balances

For the Year Ended December 31, 1959

## Operating Expenditures

Department or Appropriation Title	Appropriation	Other Credits	Total Available	Total Disbursements & Encumbrances
Legislative	\$6,100.00		\$ 6,100.00	\$ 5,761.01
Executive	24,341.00		24,341.00	23,936.13
City Clerk	18,957.00		18,957.00	19,612.59
Finance	54,295.00		54,295.00	49,748.25
Registration of Voters	9,440.00		9,440.00	9,241.57
Assessment	29,107.00		29,107.00	29,362.37
Treasury	21,429.00		21,429.00	20,788.65
Purchasing	9,467.00		9,467.00	8,751.32
Planning	17,400.00		17,400.00	15,811.78
Legal	6,024.00		6,024.00	6,156.09
Engineering	31,856.00		31,856.00	30,161.45
Personnel	2,270.00		2,270.00	2,023.33
Civil Service Commission	400.00		400.00	
Industrial Development	34,728.00		34,728.00	31,111.57
Police	284,150.00	1,000.00	285,150.00	286,098.07
Fire	352,075.00		352,075.00	354,208.22
Electrical	84,236.00		84,236.00	85,395.35
Scaler of Weights and Measures	100.00		100.00	
Inspection	21,899.50		21,899.50	20,260.12
Civil Defense	1,220.00		1,220.00	741.28
Hospital and Home	101,533.00		101,533.00	132,503.65
Health	52,124.00		52,124.00	46,877.62
Welfare	120,895.00		120,895.00	94,267.79
Recreation	56,943.00		56,943.00	54,761.99
Public Buildings	45,520.00		45,520.00	36,021.63
Municipal Auditorium	62,223.00		62,223.00	55,375.90
Public Works	527,109.00		527,109.00	541,724.71
Pensions and Group Insurance	112,000.00	6,664.54	118,664.54	119,854.33
Contingent	3,055.00		3,055.00	
Debt Service	80,576.00		80,576.00	79,858.25
Taxes Paid to County	105,000.00		105,000.00	88,275.00
Education	1,700,000.00		1,700,000.00	1,697,239.93
Public Library	55,000.00		55,000.00	55,000.00
<b>TOTAL—OPERATING BUDGET</b>	<b>\$4,031,472.50</b>	<b>\$ 7,664.54</b>	<b>\$4,039,137.04</b>	<b>\$4,000,929.95</b>

## Capital Expenditures

Executive	\$315.00		\$ 315.00	\$ 313.75
City Clerk	255.00		255.00	213.37
Finance	5,160.00		5,160.00	4,992.00
Assessment	300.00		300.00	293.75
Treasury	245.00		245.00	237.74
Purchasing	105.00		105.00	102.31
Planning	5,200.00		5,200.00	5,176.22
Engineering	4,740.00	2,123.91	6,863.91	2,946.64
Industrial Development	885.00		885.00	867.04
Police	16,900.00		16,900.00	16,770.41
Fire	4,880.00		4,880.00	4,012.41
Electrical	46,750.00	19,474.02	66,224.02	51,852.37
Inspection	52.50		52.50	51.45
Civil Defense	3,600.00		3,600.00	3,465.25
Hospital and Home	24,000.00		24,000.00	25,650.57
Health	900.00		900.00	893.18
Welfare	430.00		430.00	397.98
Recreation	8,920.00		8,920.00	8,754.21
Public Buildings	9,850.00		9,850.00	10,127.62
Municipal Auditorium	932.00	15,000.00	15,932.00	911.50
Public Works	695,160.00	111,953.86	807,113.86	675,565.91
Education	521,500.00	49,112.55	570,612.55	569,689.17
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$1,351,079.50</b>	<b>\$ 197,664.34</b>	<b>\$1,548,743.84</b>	<b>\$1,383,284.85</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET</b>	<b>4,031,472.50</b>	<b>7,664.54</b>	<b>4,039,137.04</b>	<b>4,000,929.95</b>
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>\$5,382,552.00</b>	<b>\$205,328.88</b>	<b>5,587,880.88</b>	<b>5,384,214.80</b>
<b>RESERVE</b>	<b>\$60,000.00</b>		<b>\$ 60,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 60,000.00</b>
<b>OVERLAY</b>	<b>15,271.00</b>	<b>2,141.80</b>	<b>17,412.80</b>	<b>17,412.80</b>
<b>RECREATION DISTRICT TAX</b>	<b>74,994.00</b>		<b>74,994.00</b>	<b>74,994.00</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET REQUIREMENTS</b>	<b>\$5,532,817.00</b>	<b>\$207,470.68</b>	<b>\$5,740,287.68</b>	<b>\$5,536,621.60</b>

# Bangor's Boards and Commissions

## BANGOR PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

The Trustees of the Hersey Fund and  
Charles F. Bragg, II  
F. Drummond Freese  
Horace S. Stewart  
Erwin S. Anderson

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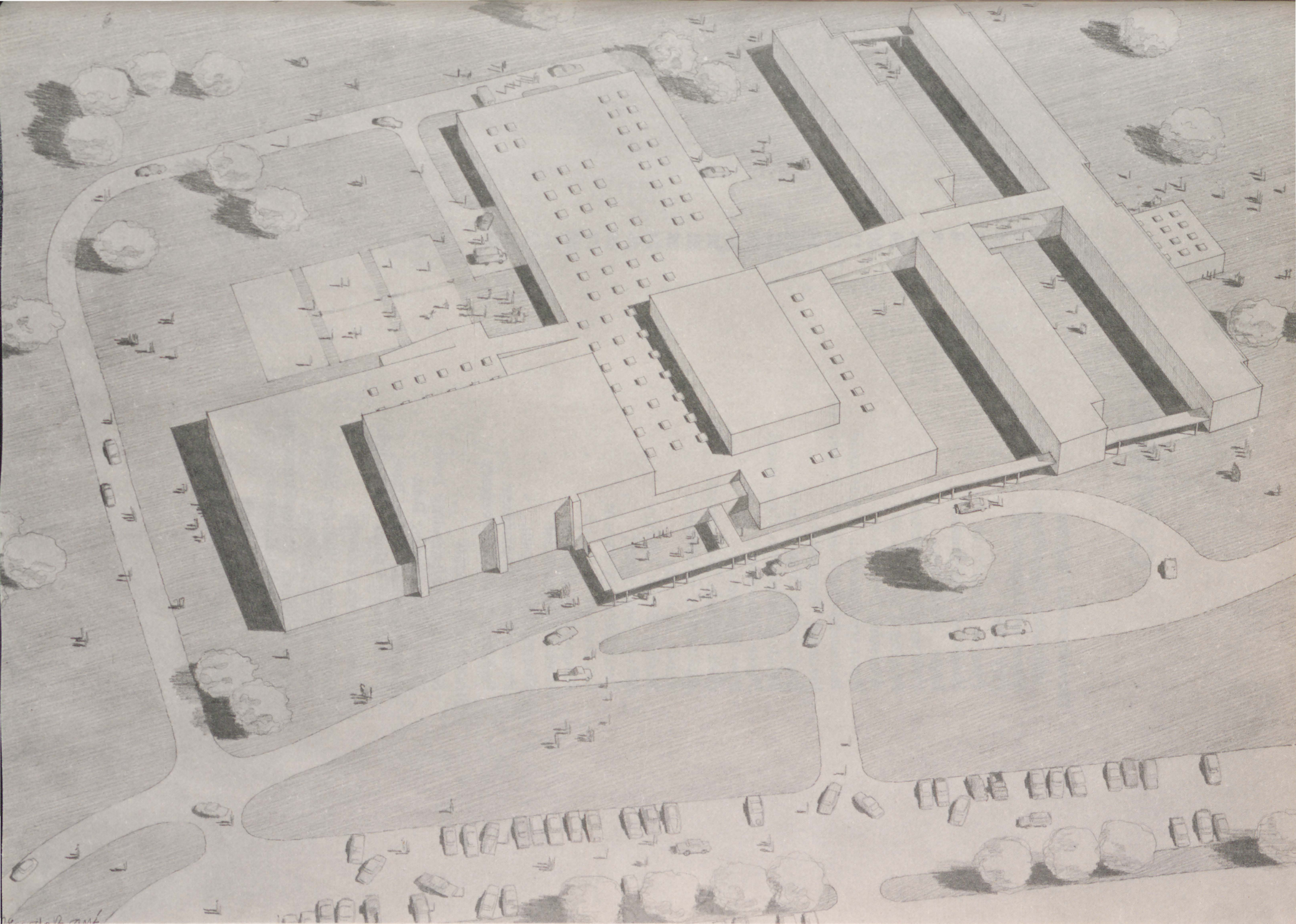
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Dr. Martyn Vickers  
Donald S. Higgins  
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Mabel Wadsworth  
Max Kominsky  
Joseph R. Coupal, Jr.

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Anita Bartlett  
William F. Mouradian, D. M. D.  
Elizabeth Speirs  
Samuel H. Calderwood  
Samuel J. Rosen, D. M. D.



PROPOSED NEW HIGH SCHOOL

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**U. S. POSTAGE**  
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**BANGOR, MAINE**  
**PERMIT No. 630**

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Emergency Calls	Fire 2-8211	Police 7382	Ambulance 2-8211
Service	Department	Phone	
Administration (General)	City Manager	9436	
Assessments	Assessors	2-3013	
Auditorium	Auditorium Supervisor	2-9000	
Bass Park	Auditorium Supervisor	2-9000	
Bills and Accounts	City Auditor	4584	
Birth Certificates	City Clerk	4583	
Building Permits	Building Inspector	6809	
Burial Records	City Clerk	4583	
Cemeteries	Cemetery Superintendent	6424	
City Hall Rental	City Treasurer	2-0546	
City Property, Sale of	City Manager	9436	
Civil Defense	City Manager	9437	
Death Certificates	City Clerk	4583	
Dental Hygenist	Health	2-4897	
Elections	City Clerk	4583	
Electric	Electric Department	2-0177	
Electrical Permits	Building Inspection	6809	
Engineering	Engineering Department	2-4351	
Garbage Collection	Public Works	6424	
Health	Health Department	2-4897	
Hospital and Home	Hospital and Home	4442	
Industrial Development	Industrial Development	2-9057	
Legal	City Solicitor	2-3132	
Legislative	City Council	9436	
Library	Public Library	5000	
Licenses (General)	City Clerk	4583	
Lights, Street	Electric Department	2-0177	
Maps	Engineering Department	2-4351	
Milk Inspection	Health	2-4897	
Municipal Pensions	City Auditor	4584	
Municipal Finances	City Auditor	4584	
Notary Public	City Clerk	4583	
Ordinance, City	City Clerk	4583	
Parks, Maintenance	Public Works	6424	
Personnel	Personnel	9436	
Petitions	City Clerk	4583	
Planning	Planning Department	2-4078	
Playgrounds	Recreation	2-8548	
Plumbing Permits	Building Inspection	6809	
Public Health Nurse	Health	2-4897	
Purchasing	Purchasing Department	7173	
Recordings	City Clerk	4583	
Recreation	Recreation	2-8548	
Restaurant Inspection	Health	2-4897	
Retirement	City Auditor	4584	
Rubbish Collection	Public Works	6424	
Schools	Superintendent	7379	
Sewers	Public Works	6424	
Streets, Maintenance	Public Works	6424	
Street Numbers	Engineering Department	2-4351	
Tax Collections	Tax Collector	2-0546	
Trees	Public Works	6424	
Veterinary	Health	2-4897	
Voting, Registration	Registration of Voters	5043	
Water	Water District	4516	
Weights and Measures	Sealer	7114	
Welfare	Welfare Department	4579	
Zoning Laws	Building Inspection	6809	