

# TEANECK

## NEW JERSEY

To Teaneck Residents:

The Council of the Township of Teaneck herewith submits to you, for your information and consideration, the Proposed Budget for 1956, prepared in accordance with the Cash-Basis Budget requirements of the New Jersey Budget Act.

The explanatory material accompanying this budget is that submitted to us by the Township Manager, and constitutes a report by him to the residents, of the past year's operations and next year's proposed expenditures.

The report is being delivered to all homes in Teaneck, with the hope that you will hold it for future reference. The public hearing will be held March 6, 1956. Should you desire any further information, we suggest you obtain it at the Municipal Building prior to the public hearing held to permit the residents to present their views to the Council.

T.J.E. Brown, Mayor - 1956

Henry Deissler, Mayor - 1955

Edward G. Allen, Deputy Mayor

Kenneth C. Gulick - 1956

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Milton G. Votee

## THE PROPOSED 1956 BUDGET

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## MUNICIPAL MANAGER'S REPORT

## TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

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KENNETH C. GULICK, 1956

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Robert A. Herbert, Collector of Taxes  
Francis A. Murray, Chief of Fire Dept.  
Richard E. Rodda, Supt. of Recreation  
Edward M. Young, Assessor of Taxes  
Dr. Richard B. Berlin, Medical Director

## TOWNSHIP BOARDS

The Township Council gratefully acknowledges the services the following citizens have rendered to the community.

### CIVIL DEFENSE COUNCIL

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Charles A. Wild, Deputy Director  
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### MEMBERS OF TEANECK VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORPS

**THE TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S 1955 REPORT' AND  
COMMENTS ON THE 1956 BUDGET**

**RESOURCES**

**SURPLUS REVENUE:**

Comparison of the Township's surplus revenue on December 31, 1954, with that of December 31, 1955, -

	12-31-54	12-31-55
Cash Surplus	\$875,954.12	\$816,745.30
Non-Cash (An asset since it is money owed to the Current Account by the Taxpayers for money borrowed from it to pay 1954 emergencies)	<u>350.00</u>	<u>          </u>
<b>NET CASH SURPLUS (Any or all of which may be used as revenue in the budget)</b>	<b>\$876,304.12</b>	<b>\$816,745.30</b>
Trust Surplus	8,618.35	19,253.61
Capital Surplus	8,197.30	368.04
Emergency Housing Surplus	<u>          </u>	<u>29,225.95</u>
	<b>\$893,119.77</b>	<b>\$865,592.90</b>

Cash surplus used in 1955 was \$375,000 from the Current Account; \$8,552.81 from the Trust Account and \$8,100.00 Capital Cash. The surplus remaining was built back to the total amount of \$865,592.90 by unanticipated receipts from the sales of property acquired through tax lien foreclosures, the greater collection of miscellaneous revenue than was anticipated, the added taxes on partially completed buildings, budget under-expenditures, and the Township's share of the sale of the Walraven Drive Veterans' Apartments.

This year's budget uses \$370,000 of the current cash surplus.

Although there is still a current cash surplus balance of \$446,745.30, it would not be practical at this time to further reduce surplus, since New Jersey municipalities are required to operate on a "cash basis", and any drop in tax collections could seriously affect the next year's appropriations. For example, with a tax levy of \$4,000,000. and tax collections of 90%, \$444,000. would be required for this item in the next budget. It is obvious that if this happened two or three years in succession, and we had no surplus, there would be only two alternatives -- extensive curtailment of all services, or a skyrocketing tax rate. Another reason for conserving on surplus at this time is the fact that Council has limited the sale of Township property.

**MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE**

As a result of new legislation, new and additional revenue from licenses, fees and permits can be expected in 1956.

A schedule of fees and the charges for licenses and permits may be obtained at the Township Clerk's office.

The total aid received by Teaneck from the State of New Jersey during 1955 was --

1. State Aid	\$245,407.66
2. Highway Aid	21,949.28
3. Direct Relief	<u>1,107.40</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$268,464.34</b>

This amount reduces to \$6.54 per capita.

**THE TOWNSHIP HAS THE FOLLOWING SOURCES  
OF MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE**

A. LICENSES -- Licenses are issued by the Township Clerk, Health and Public Works Departments. The number of liquor licenses, and the revenue therefrom, is as follows:

		<u>Limited by Ordinance To</u>
17 Retail Consumption Licenses @ \$750 each	\$12,750.	15
1 Restaurant Retail Consumption License @ \$750	750.	Unlimited
13 Retail Distribution Licenses @ \$500. each.	6,500.	13
2 Club Licenses @ \$50. each	100.	Unlimited

B. FEES AND PERMITS -- Fees are collected for miscellaneous services rendered, and for permits issued, by the Building, Fire, Police, Health, Engineering, Township Clerk and Public Works Departments; Planning and Adjustment Board and by the Tax and Assessment Search Officers.

C. FINES AND COSTS -- Receipts from the Magistrate's Court exceeded expenses this year. The Township receives fines and costs from local ordinances; all fines from motor vehicle cases are remitted by the Township to the County.

	<u>State</u>	<u>FINES Remitted to County</u>	<u>Township</u>	<u>COSTS Remitted to Township</u>
Motor Vehicle Cases				
prosecuted by:				
Local Officers		\$12,070.00	\$ 380.00	\$3,877.75
State Officers	\$45.00			
General Ordinance Violations			210.00	57.00
Criminal Violations		100.00	345.00	356.00
Parking Ordinance Violations			655.00	696.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$45.00</b>	<b>\$12,170.00</b>	<b>\$1,590.00</b>	<b>\$4,986.75</b>

D. AND E. INTEREST & COSTS ON TAXES, LIENS AND ASSESSMENTS-- These items have become rather minor sources of revenue because the high percentage of current tax and assessment collections leaves only small amounts outstanding to accrue interest.

F. INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS -- This is the interest on \$175,000. United States Government Bonds, and \$580,000. Time Deposits. The amounts vary as the bonds mature and the Township Treasurer needs cash for current purposes.

G. FRANCHISE TAX -- H. GROSS RECEIPTS TAX -- These are taxes paid by utility companies for the privilege of doing business in the Township. The amount of the tax is determined by the State Tax Commissioner. The gross receipts of each company are first divided proportionately to the value of its total plant in each municipality in which it operates. When these amounts are fixed they are taxed at the average rate of taxation for the State to determine the franchise tax, and at the local rate to determine the gross receipts tax. These taxes have been increasing because of the additional business which the utilities are doing in Teaneck, and because of the increased rates which have been from time to time granted to them by the Public Utilities Commission.

The taxes paid by the utility companies operating in Teaneck for 1955 were --

	<u>Franchise</u>	<u>Gross Receipts</u>	<u>*Personal &amp; Corporation</u>	<u>**2nd Class R.R.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Public Service Elec. & Gas Co.	\$101,936.04	\$96,676.74			\$198,612.78
Bogota Water Co.	1,221.41		1,720.59		2,942.00
Hackensack Water Co.	33,446.80		85,517.81		118,964.61
N. J. Bell Telephone Company	39,514.93		69,616.25		109,131.18

	<u>Franchise</u>	<u>Gross Receipts</u>	<u>*Personal &amp; Corporation</u>	<u>**2nd Class R.R.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Western Union Telegraph Co.			91.30		91.30
Public Service Co- ordinated Transport	4.32	6.79			11.11
N. Y. Central Railroad				5,772.48	5,772.48
	<u>\$176,123.50</u>	<u>\$96,683.53</u>	<u>\$156,945.95</u>	<u>\$5,772.48</u>	<u>\$435,525.46</u>

\* -- This tax is based on the valuation of the company's property in Teaneck as fixed by the local Assessor, to which local rates are applied.  
\*\* -- See "Railroad Tax" below.

I. BUS RECEIPTS TAX -- All bus companies doing local business in the State of New Jersey pay a tax equal to 5% of their gross receipts, less the amount paid for State registration fees. This tax is paid by the bus companies direct to the municipalities through which they operate, in the proportion that their route mileage in each municipality bears to the total mileage operated on the run.

J. MOTOR FUEL TAX REFUNDS -- Municipalities are exempt from the Federal and State gasoline taxes. However, the State tax actually is paid to the supplier and a refund is made by the State to the municipality. Contracts for the supply of gasoline are awarded after competitive bidding. The current net price, exclusive of taxes, is \$.144 subject to a maximum, or top of \$.144.

K. AID FROM THE STATE ROAD FUND -- The State allots this money to municipalities by a formula involving population, area, total mileage of streets and amount expended previously for local maintenance of streets. It may be used either for street construction and maintenance or for street lighting.

The balance \$190.72 of the anticipated \$22,140.00 will be received in 1956.

L. VETERANS' HOUSING BOND MATURITY & INTEREST -- Teaneck issued bonds in the amount of \$354,000 for permanent veterans' housing on Walraven Drive and Palisade Avenue, of which \$26,000. is still outstanding on the Palisade Avenue apartments. All apartments have been sold, and the bonds on the Walraven Drive apartments have been redeemed.

This will reduce all outstanding Bonds of Teaneck's government to less than one million dollars.

RAILROAD TAX -- Municipalities collect taxes from railroads only on second class railroad property, that is property used for railroad purposes beyond the main right-of-way. The valuation of such property is fixed by the State Tax Commissioner and then is taxed at the local rate.

## RECEIPTS OF DELINQUENT TAXES

New Jersey budget procedure permits municipalities to anticipate as a revenue the collection of their delinquent taxes. The maximum amount of delinquent taxes permitted to be anticipated each year is fixed by a formula which takes into consideration the amount of outstanding taxes and the percentage thereof collected the previous year.

## SALE OF TOWNSHIP PROPERTY

The total received since 1932 is \$1,811,945.53 of which \$1,292,929.11 was credited to surplus, the balance directly to the payment of the assessment funding bonds. The sales amounted to \$107,515. in 1955 and as the last payment on refunding bonds has been made, the total proceeds of future sales can be credited to surplus.

Except for a few parcels of business and industrial land, or land abutting a new street improvement, or land to enlarge a plot, the Council believes the best policy is to hold the sale of Township land in abeyance.

The policy of the Council in selling Township owned property provides that the property must either be left vacant by the purchaser, or be improved with a building comparable to the buildings in the neighborhood. Some "saleable" land has been set aside for future use by the Township or the Board of Education.

The assessed valuations of property still held by the Township, and not reserved for future parks or public purposes is approximately \$622,701.75.

## OPERATING COSTS

### SALARIES

Salaries and wages account for about 59% of the total operating budget. In recent years the Council has adopted various expedients to keep salary increases in line with the increasing price level.

The 1956-1957 salary plan is a 6.4% increase divided over the two-year period. After 1957, increases in salaries will be based on the increased-cost-of-living index applicable to Township employees.

This increase does not apply to employees of the Fire Department, as the majority of the Fire Department personnel chose to accept a reduction in working hours instead of the increased pay.

The reduction in Fire Department working hours will require from 8 to 10 additional men and will ultimately cost approximately \$50,000.

The summary of salary and wage changes since December 31, 1948 shows the following:

1. \$650. paid as a high cost of living adjustment.
2. By 1957 salaries and wages will have increased approximately 66.4%.
3. A patrolman will receive \$96. for a 40-hour week as compared to \$55.28 in 1948 for a 48-hour week.

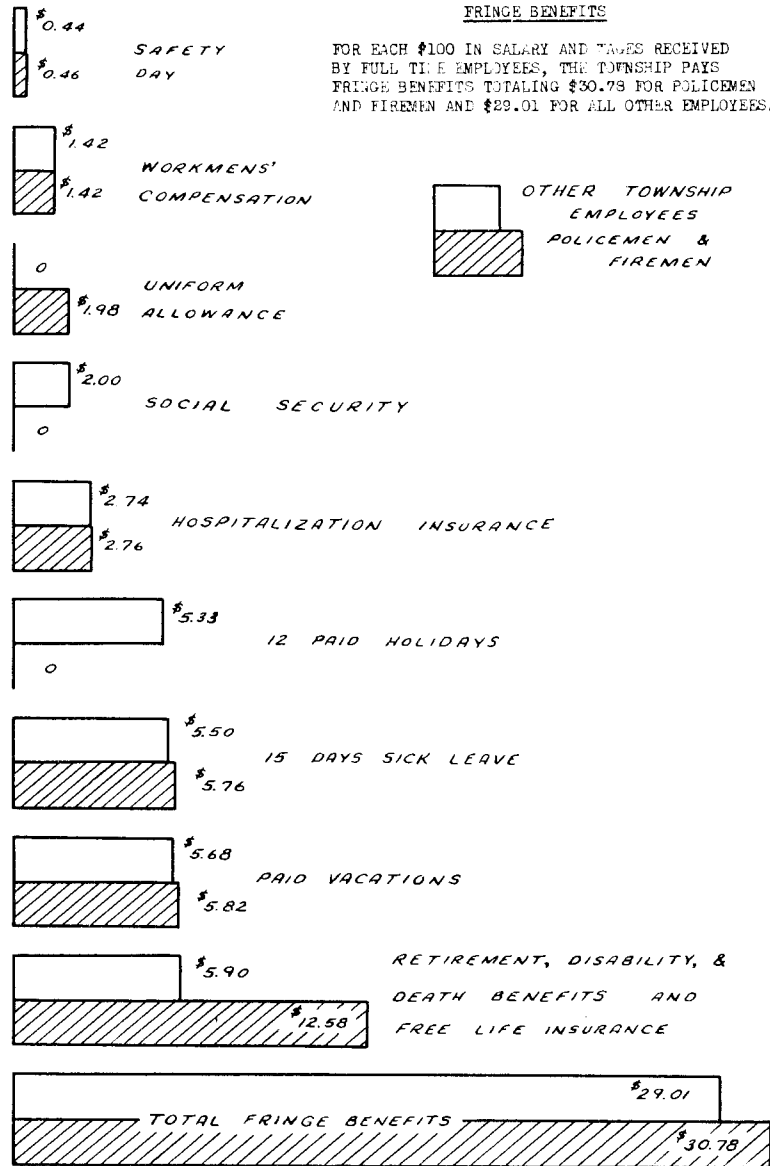
## SALARIES ADOPTED FOR 1956

Section 1. The salary range per annum of all officers and employees of the Township of Teaneck, in the Classified Services, shall be as follows:

TITLE	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
Administrative Assistant Grade I	\$5,810.00	\$7,081.00
Administrative Assistant Grade II	5,810.00	6,557.00
Assistant Assessor	5,015.00	6,231.00
Assistant Collector of Taxes	3,424.00	5,015.00
Assistant Foreman, Public Works	3,743.00	4,674.00
Assistant Township Engineer	5,493.00	6,595.00
Attendant, Sewage Disposal Plant	3,265.00	4,061.00
Building Inspector - Temporary	\$ 1.28 per hr.	\$ 1.93 per hr.
Permanent	5,015.00	5,347.00
Captain, U.F.D.	5,246.00	5,502.00
Captain, Police Department	5,810.00	6,076.00
Case Supervisor	3,888.00	4,674.00
Case Worker	2,938.00	3,733.00
Chief Operator, Sewage Disposal Plant	4,538.00	5,015.00
Chief of Police	6,606.00	7,228.00
Chief, U.F.D.	6,402.00	7,004.00
Clerk	2,629.00	3,425.00
Clerk - Stenographer	2,788.00	3,425.00
Clerk - Telephone Operator	2,629.00	3,425.00
Deputy Chief, U.F.D.	5,630.00	5,888.00
Dog Warden	3,743.00	4,538.00
Electrical Repairman	4,538.00	5,500.00
Engineering Aide	3,265.00	4,798.00
Fire Alarm Operator	3,627.00	4,398.00
Fireman, U.F.D.	3,682.00	4,700.00
Foreman, Public Works	4,674.00	5,334.00
Guards		\$1.20 per hour
Health Director		No Compensation
Health Officer	5,160.00	5,950.00
Inspector, Public Works	3,425.00	4,220.00
Janitor	3,265.00	4,061.00
Laborer	3,265.00	4,061.00
Laborer - Part Time		\$1.18 to 1.44 per hour
Laborer - Driver	3,425.00	4,220.00
Lieutenant, Police Department	5,413.00	5,677.00
Lieutenant, U.F.D.	4,860.00	5,118.00
Maintenance Repairman	3,425.00	4,220.00
Foreman, Mechanic, Public Works	4,674.00	5,334.00
Mechanic, Public Works	3,743.00	4,674.00
Mechanic, U.F.D.	4,398.00	5,169.00
Municipal Court Clerk	\$15-21.00 week	2,167.00
Operator Motor Equipment	3,584.00	4,379.00
Operator, Sewage Disposal Plant	3,743.00	4,538.00
Patrolman	3,800.00	4,850.00
Playground Directors	\$35.00 - \$50.00 per week	
Playground Directors, Assistant	\$25.00 - \$40.00 per week	
Plumbing Inspector - Plumber	4,538.00	5,347.00
Principal Clerk - Stenographer	4,220.00	5,016.00
Public Health Nurse	3,424.00	4,674.00

**FRINGE BENEFITS**

For each \$100 in salary and wages received by full time employees, the Township pays Fringe Benefits totaling \$30.78 for policemen and firemen and \$29.01 for all other employees.



TITLE	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
Purchasing Agent	4,220.00	5,347.00
Recreation Director, Recreation Dept.	3,250.00	3,994.00
Recreation Leader - Rec. Dept.	\$6.00 to \$12.00 per session	
Referees and Umpires, Rec. Dept.	\$5.00 per day	
Registrar of Vital Statistics	3,424.00	4,220.00
Sanitarian	3,468.00	4,242.00
School Traffic Guards	\$1.20 per hour	
Senior Clerk	3,424.00	4,220.00
Senior Clerk Bookkeeper	3,424.00	4,220.00
Senior Clerk Stenographer	3,424.00	4,220.00
Senior Engineer	4,697.00	5,677.00
Senior Maintenance Repairman	4,220.00	4,856.00
Sergeant, Police Department	5,016.00	5,281.00
Specialist, Recreation Department	\$6.00 to \$12.00 per session	
Superintendent of Building	5,338.00	6,295.00
Superintendent, Fire Signal System	4,398.00	5,169.00
Superintendent of Recreation	6,341.00	7,227.00
Supervisor of Accounts	5,016.00	6,000.00
Supervisor, Arts and Crafts	\$ 5.00 to \$ 12.00 per session	
Supervisor of Music	\$ 10.00 to \$ 15.00 per session	
	\$400.00 to \$800.00 per season	
Supervisor, Basketball League	\$225.00 to \$425.00 per season	
Supervisor, Shade Tree Bureau	5,016.00	5,811.00
Chief Sweeper Operator	3,742.00	4,674.00
Sweeper Operator	3,742.00	4,538.00
Tree Surgeon	3,742.00	4,538.00
Tax and Search Clerk	4,220.00	5,016.00

**Section 2.** The salary range per annum of all officers and employees of the Township of Teaneck, in the Unclassified Service, shall be as follows:

TITLE	MINIMUM	MAXIMUM
Township Clerk	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
Tax Collector	5,493.00	6,295.00
Assessor	6,452.00	7,000.00
Police Magistrate	1,605.00	3,000.00
Treasurer	600.00	600.00
Welfare Director	4,540.00	5,283.00

**GENERAL GOVERNMENT**

A. Administrative & Executive -- Personnel includes the Township Council, Township Manager, the Township Clerk, who is also an Administrative Assistant, and a Senior Clerk Stenographer. During 1955 an administrative assistant to the Manager was added to the staff. The increase in the appropriation is due to the purchase of new office equipment, and a part payment on a documentary Teaneck film.

The Township Council adopted twenty ordinances during 1955, #1001 to #1022; Ordinances #1003 and #1012 were tabled. These ordinances provided for an increase in salaries of all employees; regulated retail food handling establishments; changed various permit fees, licenses and charges; amended the Zoning Ordinance -- also eliminated "BB" zone; provided for sidewalk and

street improvements; vacated various streets not needed for public use; established hours during which public parks could be used; changed residential plot requirements to 7,500 square feet; and regulated exterior design and appearance of dwellings erected in any housing development.

The Township Council also adopted approximately three hundred resolutions during 1955.

B. Assessment and Collection of Taxes --

(a) Assessment -- The personnel of the Assessor's office is the Assessor, an Assistant Assessor, a Principal Clerk Stenographer and a Senior Clerk.

The Township Assessor is appointed by the Township Council to assess the real and personal property in the Township according to general laws and by uniform rules.

In practice the Township Assessor is responsible to the County Board of Taxation for the manner and method employed and the results obtained.

In compliance with the County Board of Taxation's directive to the Assessor, to equalize Teaneck's assessments with other local governments in the County, the Assessor will increase assessments 10%. This of course will mean a reduction in the tax rate -- but not necessarily a lower tax bill. That will be determined on the basis of school, county and local government expenditures.

Any owner of an existing building in Teaneck can learn from the Assessor the exact manner in which the valuation of his or any other building was determined.

The total net valuation taxable of the Township shows an increase of \$6,430,740. Of this \$4,574,495. is the 1955 County equalization and \$1,512,850. is the new 1955 construction, and the balance is increase in land and personal property. The net valuation taxable now stands at \$53,221,033.

The Township has the following tax exempt properties --

	<u>Tax Valuations</u>
Public Property (Including Teaneck Armory and land used for parks)	\$ 2,167,235.
Public Schools	2,581,735.
Graveyards	3,850.
Churches	1,027,755.
Other Exemptions (Hospitals, Volunteer Fire House, Volunteer Ambulance Corps, American Legion Building, Veterans' Housing Projects, Veterans of Foreign Wars Bldg, Masonic Temple, etc.)	763,190.
Lutheran Bible Institute	19,745.
Fairleigh Dickinson College	315,095.
St. Anastasia's Parochial School	247,465.

Tax Valuations

Property acquired through Tax Lien Foreclosures (includes that available for sales and that held for public purposes)	644,775.
Exempt Household Property (\$100 per dwelling unit)	1,180,400.
Veterans' Exemptions (A maximum of \$500 for each veteran)	<u>1,574,845.</u>
Total valuation of Exempt Properties	\$10,526,090.

A 1951 revised statute now requires the owners of all property claiming tax exemption to file an application prior to October 1st each year with the Tax Assessor. This requirement does not apply to veterans once a right to tax exemption is established and the new application form, provided by the new 1951 revised laws, is properly filled out and filed with the Assessor.

Teaneck at present has the following number of buildings and dwelling units:--

	<u>Single</u>	<u>Multiple</u>	<u>Apartments</u>	<u>Commercial</u>	<u>Misc.</u>
No. of Buildings	9611	389	48	297	103
No. of Dwelling Units	9611	844	1509	115	

The increase in this appropriation is due to the re-assessment costs - and a re-distribution of I.B.M. costs.

(b) COLLECTION OF TAXES -- The personnel of the Collector's Office is-- Tax Collector, an Assistant Tax Collector, a Principal-Clerk-Stenographer, one Senior Clerk, one Clerk, one Clerk-Stenographer and the Tax and Search Clerk.

The duties of the Tax and Search Clerk are to investigate the Township's records and certify on a tax search the outstanding charges which the Township may have against a property. The omission of a tax or lien in a search may make the item uncollectable. A search showing pending assessments may be obtained from the Township Clerk.

The problem of the collection of personal taxes, particularly from renters, is also taken care of by the Tax Collector. This is facilitated by requiring a moving permit. This permit is required for intra and inter-community moving.

The Tax Collector's office will continue to be open on certain Monday evenings, as indicated on your tax bill.

C. PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS -- The municipal buildings and grounds maintained under this item are -- the Municipal Building, Court House, Town House, Girl Scout's House, parking lots and bus shelters.

The Town House which was converted from a school building to a Township recreation building has gradually reverted to a public school and public school administrative office building. Of the 23 rooms in this building, the Township uses 2 for recreation -- shares the auditorium with the school -- and has 4 rooms for the Health and Welfare Department.

The Township government pays the full costs of fuel - light - maintenance of the ground and the outside of the building. Two janitors are assigned to inside work -- costing the Township government approximately \$15,000. annually.

The janitorial force for the care of the public buildings consists of one or two janitors at the Municipal Building, two janitors at the Town House, and one janitor at the Court House.

For general Maintenance and repairs, there is a separate crew of five men, a Township Electrical Repairman and a Plumbing-Inspector-Plumber. The general Maintenance Department will be transferred from the basement of the Town House to the D.P.W. on River Road.

The Electrical Repairman does the general electrical work for the Township and maintains the traffic lights. He does not make inspections of the wiring in private buildings or homes. This is done by an inspector of the National Board of Fire Underwriters.

The Plumbing-Inspector-Plumber inspects the plumbing in all buildings during construction; does the plumbing repair work for the Township's buildings and parks; inspects the laying of house connections to the street sewer, and makes sanitary inspections for the Health Department.

The costs of this maintenance work are charged against the department for which the particular work is done and are included in the appropriation for that department.

Work done in 1955 was the painting of the various public buildings, the care and building of recreation and playground equipment and structures, the care of street and traffic signs, upkeep around the disposal plants and the Township greenhouse, street pavement markings, extensions to and renovation of parking lots and some minor repairs in the fire stations.

The increase in this appropriation is due to the costs of fuel and utilities.

NEW PROJECTS AND EXTENSIONS -- This appropriation provides for concrete and brick work at the Cedar Lane Fire Station, installation of attic fan at Police headquarters, an addition to the Department of Public Works, and completion of the inner court at the Library.

D. ELECTIONS -- The election expenses paid for directly by Teaneck are--printing ballots, posters and supplies for Primary Elections, the legal advertising for the Primary and General Elections, and all the costs of a municipal election, which includes printing of strips for voting machines--for cartage of voting machines--election clerks--polling places and \$250. for the County Board of Elections. The remainder is paid for by the County.

E. LIQUIDATION OF TAX TITLE LIENS -- In 1955 one parcel of property was re-foreclosed to clear the title. The few remaining tax title liens on the books are not of sufficient lapsed time at present to foreclose.

F. LEGAL -- The Township Attorney is paid a fixed salary, plus an expense account, for which he handles all of the Township's legal problems, including real estate matters and the preparation and trial of some court cases. For extraordinary cases, special counsel is at times employed. The increase in this appropriation is due to money allotted for legal expenses to combat the

abandonment of commuter service on the West Shore Railroad and to defend the amendment to the zoning ordinance (BB Zone). The Township Attorney furnishes opinions to Township officials, represents the Township in the Municipal Court, and attends Council meetings. He also has supervision of the tax title lien foreclosures.

The principal litigation in which the Township was involved last year was--

Lutheran Bible Institute vs. Township of Teaneck -- This action concerns a tax exemption. The County Tax Board and the State Board of Tax Appeal found against the Township. The Appellate and Supreme Court found in favor of the Township.

Harvey vs. Township of Teaneck -- This was a question of ownership after an in rem foreclosure had been completed. The Supreme Court found in favor of Teaneck.

Selbert vs. Board of Adjustment and various Township employees -- This was a question of prohibited home occupation use in the residential zone. The decision is pending.

Garden State Developers vs. Township of Teaneck -- This is a question of the Township Council's right to up-grade a certain zone use, by amending the zoning ordinance. Case pending.

G. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE -- One person holds the office of Treasurer and Supervisor of Accounts, assisted by two Senior Clerk Bookkeepers. This office combines the usual functions of a Treasurer and Comptroller. It is suggested that in the near future the work be separated and a Comptroller added to the staff.

Record keeping in the Finance Department is complex. Besides the usual municipal accounts, including current, trust, capital, bond, interest and payroll, distribution to and check on budget appropriations, it includes keeping all the records for the Civil Service, vacation, sick leave, pensions, withholding tax, social security records and financial reports. The increase in this appropriation is to purchase additional office supplies and a part of the I.B.M. rental is now charged to this department.

H. AUDIT -- The Division of Local Government, Department of the Treasury, State of New Jersey, continues to do Teaneck's auditing. The use of this Department is not mandatory, but all Teaneck Councils have felt that it was advantageous to have the audit made by the "Court of last Resort" in New Jersey municipal finances.

I. ENGINEERING BUREAU -- Three Engineers staff this department.

Under their supervision 39,100 square yards of additional paving; 26,100 lineal feet of new curbs; 127,700 square feet of sidewalk and driveway construction; 2,350 lineal feet of curb replacement was undertaken and completed in 1955. In addition, 4,450 lineal feet of sanitary sewer and 6,050 lineal feet of storm drain were also installed.

The Department is now engaged in making maps for the Assessment Commission on the 1955 paving, and preliminary work for the 1956 paving program, in addition to its regular work of keeping up-to-date engineering and tax



maps and records, supplying the Building, Assessor's and Legal Departments with such engineering information as they need, making surveys, designs and supervision of various municipal improvements as the necessity arises, and supervising the construction of paving, curbs and sidewalks by developers.

This appropriation has been increased to do sewer engineering work.

J. ZONING & PLANNING -- The Board of Adjustment consists of five non-salaried members, appointed by Council for three year terms. Their functions are to grant, or recommend to the Council variances or exceptions to the Zoning Ordinance in cases where undue hardship can be proved, and to hear appeals from the decisions of the officials enforcing the Zoning Ordinance.

The Planning Board consists of six non-salaried citizen members, the Mayor, one Councilman and the Township Manager. Their duty is to prepare, and from time to time review, the Master Plan, approve sub-divisions and re-subdividing, make a study of and recommend locations for parks and playgrounds, new streets and any other matters affecting the physical development of the Township.

The revised Zoning Ordinance requires a minimum lot frontage of 75 feet and an area of 7,500 square feet.

K. SHADE TREES -- The personnel of this Bureau is -- Supervisor of Shade Trees, an Assistant Foreman, three Tree Surgeons and the assistance of such laborers as may be necessary, generally two.

This Bureau takes care of the planting, trimming and removal of trees and shrubs along the Township's streets and in the parks.

During the year 392 trees were planted and 192 trees were removed. Teaneck has presently approximately 18,400 shade trees, an asset, the value of which is not shown on the balance sheet. The cost of a new truck was charged to this account in 1955. No charge for new motor equipment in 1956 accounts for the decrease in the appropriation.

Spraying for the elimination of ragweed was continued for the ninth consecutive year. Such spraying is done from the middle of June to the middle of August. A good start has also been made on the elimination of poison ivy. Spraying for this purpose is done from the middle of August to the middle of September. Persons having either one of these nuisances on their property should contact the Shade Tree Supervisor.

Any individual desiring to have trees planted along the street must receive permission from the Shade Tree Supervisor as to variety, size and spacing. Individual property owners are not permitted to trim or remove any trees along the streets.

L. PURCHASING -- The system of budget control established through the Purchasing Agent is most important in minimizing over-expenditures or over-commitments of budget items.

Contracts are awarded yearly, after public advertising and bidding, for such materials as fuel oil, gasoline, stone, concrete, trees and bituminous materials. The price for fuel oil and gasoline is based on a fixed amount above or below current market prices. No. 2 fuel oil is now .108 per gallon. No. 4 fuel oil is now .08626 per gallon. Gasoline \$.144 per gallon. During 1955 the Purchasing Agent handled 1956 requisitions and drew 1113 purchase orders.

M. INSURANCE -- The following classes of insurance are carried --

Compensation insurance -- This insurance is mandatory and is written at rates fixed by the State Insurance Department, which vary from year to year, depending upon the accident record of previous years.

Fire Insurance -- Over one million dollars coverage is carried on Township public buildings and contents under a 90% co-insurance clause. The fire insurance is handled by five insurance brokers on a plan whereby one-fifth of the insurance comes due each year.

Liability Insurance -- In addition to the usual automobile insurance Teaneck has for several years had a general liability policy which insures the Township, its officials and municipal employees for any occurrences resulting in property damage or physical injury for which they or the Township might be legally liable.

A \$25.00 deductible collision policy on all equipment such as road, snow and other mobile type machines is also carried.

The item for "Other Insurance" covers payroll, burglary, robbery, fire insurance on the mechanical equipment, plate glass and windstorm insurance, fire and theft on cars and money lost.

The increase for this appropriation is due to certain policies being changed from 1 year to 3 year premium payment plan.

N. SURETY BOND PREMIUMS -- There are bonds covering the Township Clerk, Tax Collector, Treasurer, Magistrate and a general bond on other employees.

This appropriation is decreased because the renewal premiums are not due.

O. YOUTH GUIDANCE COUNCIL -- State legislation authorized municipalities to set up Youth Guidance Councils, semi-official groups who, through the cooperation of the schools, the Magistrate's and the Juvenile Court, try not only to correct existing problems affecting juveniles, but also to prevent their occurrence and to eliminate conditions conducive to juvenile delinquency. The Council has fairly broad powers, even to the summoning of the child and its parents before it.

The Mayor makes the appointments, with the consent and advice of Council. The work of this type of a Council is not publicized, but in the few years that it has been in existence it has done yeomen's service. Youngsters have been helped, parents have been advised and counseled and the Township as a whole has greatly benefited.

## **PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY**

### **A -- FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The adoption of shorter working hours for the department will give Teaneck a paid Fire Department with a total personnel of 58 or 1.51 employees per thousand of population. The National Average for municipalities in Teaneck's population group is 1.5. In addition to the above personnel, Teaneck has an exceptionally well-trained, equipped and enthusiastic squad of 25 Civil Defense

Auxiliary Firemen who render valuable assistance to the regular force. The Civil Defense Box 54 Club, which is a canteen service operated by Auxiliary Firemen, has also, on many occasions, assisted neighboring communities during emergencies.

One fireman retired from the department in 1955 on disability.

The per capita expenditure for the Teaneck Fire Department for 1956 will be approximately \$8.71 compared with a National average of \$6.92 (1954). The cost of hydrant service (\$66,000.) is not included. The increased cost for this appropriation is due principally to the cost of hydrant service, pensions, building repairs and utilities.

The personnel is divided as follows -- 1 Chief, 2 Deputy Chiefs, 4 Captains, 5 Lieutenants, 27 First Grade Firemen, 2 Fourth Grade Firemen, 1 Third Grade Fireman, 1 Second Grade Fireman, 9 Temporary Firemen, 1 Supt. Fire Signal System, 1 Mechanic, 4 Fire Alarm Operators.

As soon as six new men are recruited the department will go on a shorter work week schedule. This will increase salary and wages and other expenses approximately \$40,000. in 1956, and proportionately more as the new men are given their regular yearly pay increments.

The Chief or a Deputy Chief is on duty at all times, with an Officer commanding each company at each house 24 hours a day.

The Department personnel will work a 24-hour tour of duty on a flexible 63 hour week. The Chief of the Department, the Inspector, the Mechanic, the Supt. of Fire Signal System and the Fire Alarm Operators work on a flexible 40-hour week.

During the 1955 wage and hour negotiations with the Township employees, the majority of the fire department personnel voted to take the shorter hours instead of an increase in pay.

The Department's reputation for extinguishing fires without water damage continues.

Teaneck's fire losses are very accurately kept. The total loss for the year was \$144,675., again giving a low fire loss per capita of \$4.06 against an approximate National average of about \$7.00. The average loss per building fire was \$803.73 against a National median loss of \$680. (1954) in 234 municipalities of Teaneck's class.

During the year one fireman was injured due to fires. Two civilians were injured.

Teaneck has a high rating of "3" (corresponding to "B", N.J. Rating) under the National Board of Fire Underwriters. Out of 277 cities in Teaneck's population class, only four have a higher rating.

Other Fire Department statistics are --

Total number of alarms -- 831, of which 440 were for fires; 343 rescue calls; 44 needless alarms; 4 false alarms. Of these only 14 were sent in from fire alarm boxes, and 4 were false alarms. The total number of fire prevention inspections made was 2,624.

COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS -- The F.M. radio equipment has been installed in the Fire Department trucks. This, plus the secondary alarm system connecting Central Fire Headquarters with Stations No. 2 and No. 3, and the Gamewell Alarm System gives the Fire Department three different channels of intra-department communication. Teaneck's Fire Department is one of the few departments in the Nation with its own transmitting station -- KEA-888. The D.P.W., the police department, the fire department and the rabies control truck now have inter-department radio connections.

PENSIONS -- This appropriation provides the Township's payment to the Firemen's Pension Fund, into which the municipality pays an amount approximating 5% of the salaries. Individuals contribute a like or greater amount, depending upon the age they entered service. A pension at the rate of one-half of his average final salary is given to a man after 30 years of service, and at an age of 55.

HYDRANTS -- Water is supplied to the Township of Teaneck by the Hackensack Water Company, except for the limited area in the southwest corner which is supplied by the Bogota Water Company. Both companies place and maintain hydrants wherever requested by the Township. The over-all cost to the Township is based on a "ready-to-serve" and on a maintenance charge as set out by the company and approved by the Public Utilities Commission of New Jersey. The increase is due to increased rates granted by the Public Utilities Commission and for additional hydrants.

HYDRANT SERVICE

1955 CHARGES

	Trans. & Dist.	Hydrants	Total	Number of Hydrants	Over-all Cost per Hydrant	1955 Taxes Paid
Hackensack Water Co.	\$52,620.00	11,866.40	64,486.40	771	83.64	\$118,964.61
Bogota Water Co.	1,831.96	655.20	2,487.16	42	59.22	2,942.00
	\$54,451.96	\$12,521.60	\$66,973.56	813		\$121,906.61

FIRE COLLEGE -- The annual Fire College was continued. All members of the Department and the Civil Defense Auxiliary Firemen attended.

Members of the department are presently enrolled in extra training courses.

B -- POLICE DEPARTMENT

\* During 1955 three regular Patrolmen were appointed. Appointments were made in accordance with New Jersey Civil Service rules and regulations. Two patrolmen, one detective and one sergeant retired, and one patrolman resigned.

Examinations have been called for promotion and certification to make replacements.

The Department will have a complement of 51, or 1.34 full time members per 1000 of population against a National average of 1.47 for cities in Teaneck's population group. The per capita cost of Teaneck's police department will be \$9.29 for 1956, against a National average of \$7.22 (1955) for cities in the same population group. Here, as in the Fire Department, when comparisons between individual cities are made, there are several factors that should be defined and considered. For example, residential character, the number of shifts and hours the department works, whether or not the department operates its own radio, and the number of special policemen or school guards included as Police Department employees.

In addition to the aforementioned, Teaneck employs 26 School Crossing Guards and has a very well-trained and cooperative corps of Civil Defense Auxiliary Policemen who assist the regular force on special occasions and emergencies.

Of the total personnel, one man is assigned to supervise traffic and safety, one to photography, fingerprinting pedlars and solicitors, one as a departmental clerk and an average of four to the Detective Bureau. A female Clerk-Stenographer will be added to the staff in 1956.

Business activities and traffic problems on Cedar Lane, Queen Anne Road and DeGraw Avenue and The Plaza require the assignment of foot patrolmen to these areas. One additional foot patrolman is also stationed at the Cedar Lane business district on special days.

As an indication of the amount of work handled by the Department, its annual report lists, among other things, 10,240 service calls; 2237 radio alarms received; 34,478 radio calls made by the Department; 1001 escorts furnished to banks and business houses; 1069 temporarily vacant houses inspected. Patrol cars covered approximately 360,615 miles during 1955.

SPECIAL POLICE TRAINING -- One Lieutenant is attending and lecturing at Rutgers University Traffic Engineering School. Two men attended the Bergen County Police Academy. One detective graduated from the fingerprint school at Alpine. Four men attended different courses at Seton Hall and 33 are presently enrolled in extra training courses.

TEANECK CRIME

The country's estimated crime total was decreased .7 of one per cent for the first half of 1955, as compared with the first half of 1954. There was no significant change for this period in New Jersey.

Locally the number of Burglary and Breaking & Entry crimes increased and the number of Robbery, Assault, Larceny and Theft crimes increased. The usual table showing the small percentage of crime in Teaneck as compared with New Jersey averages is appended.

RATE PER HUNDRED THOUSAND OF POPULATION

	1930	1940	1945	1950	1953	1954	1955	F.B.I. Rate for N. J.	% of Rate
Murder & Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2.2	0
Robbery	0	4	3	0	2	3	6	34	17
Aggravated Assault	15	8	0	0	1	3	1	44	2
Larceny, Theft	212	192	205	165	120	176	235	634	37
Burglary, Breaking & Entry	242	248	168	159	114	92	103	359	29
Auto Theft	47	64	112	33	16	19	20	126	16

The founded crimes of all kinds reported and known to the police totalled 543. Since 99 were cleared, Teaneck's record in the percentage of "Known Crimes Cleared" showed 5 less crimes cleared in 1955 than were cleared in 1954.

On motor vehicle arrests, out of a total of 1510, 1401 were found guilty; 85 were dismissed; 4 were withdrawn and 20 are pending.

"RESIDENTS OF TEANECK ARE AGAIN ADVISED THAT THEY CAN STILL FURTHER LOWER THE TEANECK CRIME RATE BY REPORTING IMMEDIATELY ANY SUSPICIOUS PERSONS OR CARS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD. WITH THE THREE-WAY RADIO SYSTEM, A POLICE CAR, WHICH MIGHT BE JUST AROUND THE CORNER, COULD BE DISPATCHED".

(The above paragraph has appeared in every budget since 1939)

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

	1940	1944	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955
Accidents	226	122	227	189	181	235	244	248	332	370	392
Fatalities	2	6	2	1	1	0	1	2	1	2	7
Injuries	133	57	85	68	79	126	121	162	171	194	230
Arrests for Motor Vehicle Violations Title 39			387	252	441	512	488	552	687	779	1171
Municipal Ordinance				1	200	137	116	314	183	347	360

Accidents and injuries continue to increase.

As the chart shows, there were more fatalities in the Township this year than there have been for 15 years. Four of these fatalities occurred on Route #4 and three on Township streets.

The State Highway Department has assured the Township that it will proceed as soon as possible to install the barriers to separate the east and west traffic on Route #4.

**MOTOR EQUIPMENT** -- Seven new patrol cars were purchased for the Police Department this year. Six of the old cruisers were traded in. Cars are serviced by the Township mechanics at the D.P.W. garage. Six officers use their private cars for which they receive an average monthly allowance of \$35.00. Money to purchase the 7 cruisers was transferred from the Police Department salaries and wages account. This was deemed advisable to avoid the high cost of operating the old cruisers.

**COMMUNICATION SYSTEM** -- The New Jersey Bell Telephone Company furnishes telephone-radio service to this department. All equipment is supplied, and maintenance furnished for the transmitting station and the mobile units on a five year contract. This contract has been in effect for approximately three years.

**SUPPLIES** -- This appropriation is for the general supplies and equipment needed from year to year. Keeping the Police Department fully equipped, trained and ready for service at all times, demands a large number of supplies of various kinds, such as ammunition, first aid material, photographic and fingerprinting materials, record books and report forms, lanterns, fire extinguishers, fuses, spotlights, rubber boots and coats, badges, safety material, prisoner's meals and expenses incurred in the education and training of the men.

**TRAFFIC CONTROL** -- This appropriation is for traffic signal lights, street markings and signs. Traffic signals are maintained at twenty-five intersections. New traffic lights were installed at Cedar Lane and Larch Avenue.

The patrolmen, special school guards and the school patrol, play an important part in controlling vehicular and particularly pedestrian traffic. This year the Township continued to employ additional female School Crossing Guards.

New traffic lights will be installed at West Englewood Avenue and Windsor Road; Cranford Place and Queen Anne Road; Churchill Road and Windsor Road; Washington Place and Teaneck Road; Billington and Windsor Roads; Teaneck Road and Fycke Lane; Sagamore and Windsor; Roemer and River Road.

Street marking -- 10 miles of lines were painted, 7,000 ft. of street lettering, requiring 200 gallons of paint. Traffic signs -- 1606 are in use; 104 were bought during the year and 200 replaced and repaired.

The "personal service" item covers a portion of the salary and wages of the Electrical Repairman and the Maintenance and Repair crew.

**VIOLATIONS BUREAU** -- This Bureau, a part of the Municipal Court, is staffed by a member of the Police Department, part time, and a non-member clerk-stenographer, to permit the convenient payment of fines for a limited number of motor vehicle violations. The Bureau can only accept a written plea of guilty from the one charged with the traffic violation and collect the stipulated fine and costs.

**DOCTOR** -- This provides for a doctor to examine persons suspected of being under the influence of intoxicating liquor while driving a car. He also checks on policemen who have reported sick.

**PISTOL RANGE & MATCHES** -- This appropriation provides for the yearly pistol tournament, which has now been held for twenty-four years and has become an International event, attracting approximately 1365 participants. The range was also used by civilians, the Coast Guard, Army Intelligence and police teams, as well as for departmental training.

The increase in this appropriation is due principally to tuition costs, additional traffic lights, and pension payments.

**PENSION** -- (See explanation under Fire Department pensions.)

## C -- MUNICIPAL COURT

This Court, which is an integral part of the legal court system of the State of New Jersey, is located on the second floor of the Court House.

Personnel consists of a Magistrate, who holds court sessions on Wednesday evenings, and the first and third Monday evenings of the month. The Magistrate has a part-time clerk.

Fines collected for State Motor Vehicle violations are remitted to the County. Since the Township does not get your fine when you are arrested for a traffic violation -- we would much prefer that you never violate a traffic regulation -- please remember that laws are enforced to protect you, not to take money from you.

## D -- INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS

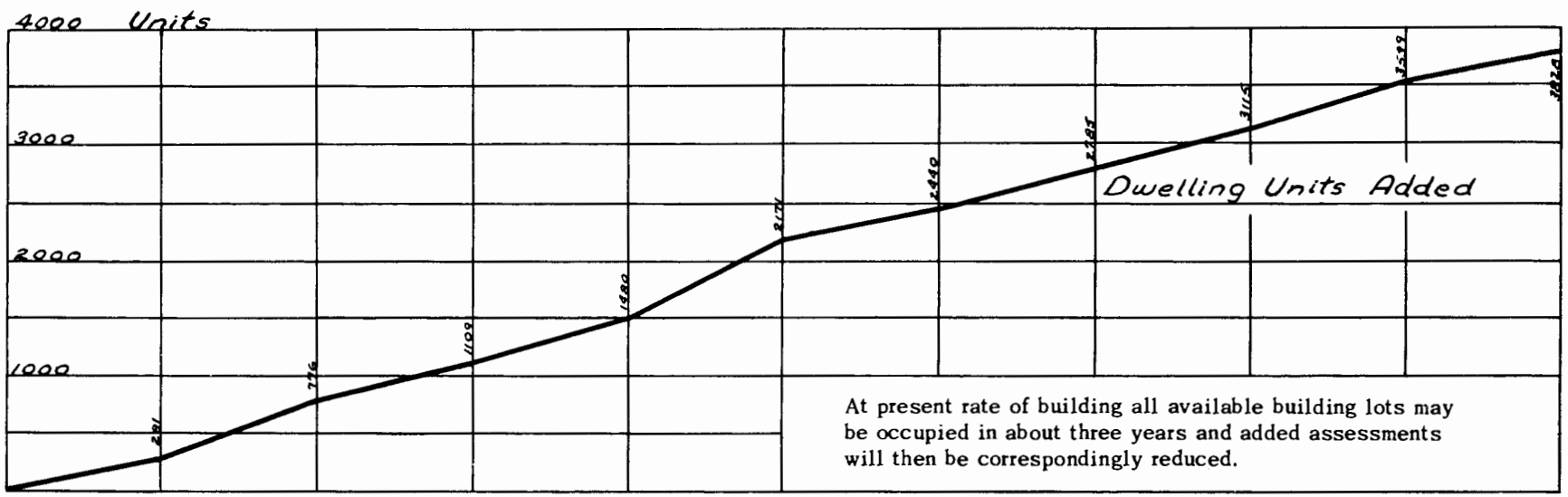
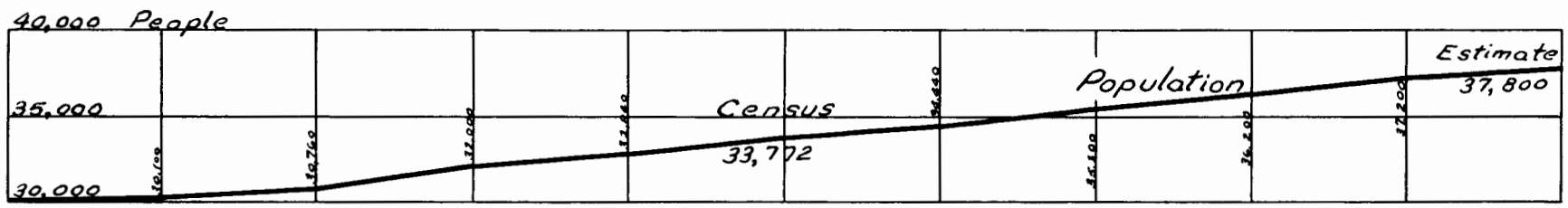
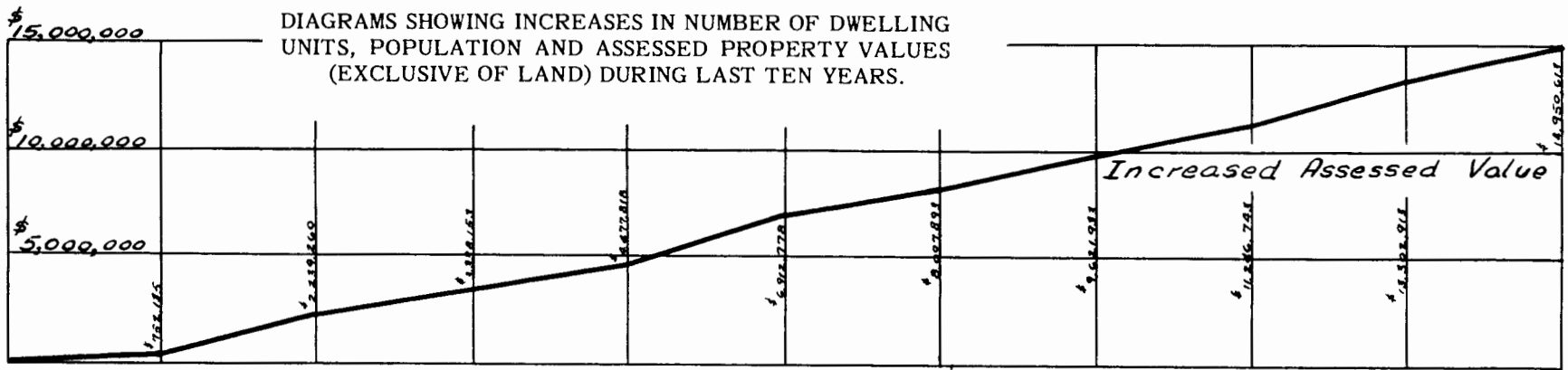
The personnel of this Department consists of an acting Superintendent of Building and a Senior Clerk-Stenographer. Additional inspectors may be employed from time to time for large operations, which additional cost is charged to the builder.

During 1955 building in Teaneck continued active. Department records show a total assessed valuation for new building and alterations, of \$1,647,700.00, which brought in \$17,382.31 in licenses and fees against a cost of \$14,589.19 for operating the department.

The Building Department seeks to cooperate with builders and owners in securing not only safe designs, but also suitable and pleasing buildings. Building construction is controlled under an ordinance. Adherence to the requirements of the Building Ordinance, the Plumbing Ordinance and the Department of Public Works has been strengthened by requiring a cash bond for excavations. This bond is returnable upon certification by the three departments that all Township requirements have been complied with. Following this certification the Certificate of Occupancy is issued.

The advisability of revising the codes administered by this Department is presently being studied.

DIAGRAMS SHOWING INCREASES IN NUMBER OF DWELLING UNITS, POPULATION AND ASSESSED PROPERTY VALUES (EXCLUSIVE OF LAND) DURING LAST TEN YEARS.



At present rate of building all available building lots may be occupied in about three years and added assessments will then be correspondingly reduced.

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## F -- GUARDS -- SCHOOL

The 26 special school guards receive \$1.20 per hour for 20 hours service. During the summer months many of the guards are employed in the Township parks as special park guards. At present it is necessary to work some of the guards at school crossings overtime.

The reduction in this appropriation is due to less equipment and supplies being purchased.

## G -- CIVIL DEFENSE

The Civil Defense Corps is now in its sixth year. A strong core organization has been trained, headquarters facilities in the basement of the new police department building continue to be perfected. Communications consist of a shortwave radio fixed station, two communicator sets and telephones at the C.D. Headquarters. In case of emergency the amateur radio operators (R.A.C.E.S.) would have five mobile units operating in the Township. The mobile equipment is owned and operated by the amateurs without cost to the Township.

The Civil Defense Corps has participated during 1955 in several local, county and state drills, with highly satisfactory results.

There are now six heavy duty sirens installed at strategic locations in the Township, and a stand-by electric generator has been installed in the police building. The value of this generator whenever the electric current is disrupted is obvious. A reduction in the costs of equipment reduced this appropriation.

YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO ENLIST IN YOUR CIVIL DEFENSE.

## POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE

During 1955 there were 824 of the Township's children in the Police Athletic League. They participated in organized softball, basketball, baseball, golf, gymnastics, wrestling and rifle shooting. These activities are made possible largely through citizen interest, and their support is most appreciated by the members of the Teaneck Police Department. The Activities of the League, which are supervised in a large measure by members of the Police Department, when off duty, aid immeasurably in helping youngsters make worthy use of their leisure time. In addition to the aforementioned -- members of the Department have been connected with the Youth Guidance Council--- and have taken a very active part in School Patrol and Bicycle Safety programs.

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

No statistics exist which would permit the comparison of the Teaneck Department with National averages, as to personnel, total or unit costs or overall efficiency. The work of the Public Works Department is too varied and too much governed by local circumstances in each municipality to permit this. To perform all of the work hereinafter mentioned, the Department has the following personnel, assigned and used wherever the exigencies of the moment demand --

1 Administrative Assistant Grade II; 1 Foreman Mechanic; 1 Mechanic; 1 Clerk-Inspector; 1 Shade Tree Supervisor; 1 Foreman; 4 Assistant Foremen; 4 Operators Motor Equipment; 1 Chief Operator, Disposal Plants; 2 Operators, Disposal Plants; 2 Tree Surgeons; 3 Sweeper Operators; 2 Laborer-Drivers; 18 Laborers and 2 Janitors; plus 1 temporary tree surgeon, 1 temporary janitor, and 3 temporary laborers. The number of laborers varies from time to time. In summer some student employees may be added.

The functions of the Teaneck Department of Public Works are sub-divided as follows --

**STREETS AND ROADS** -- The maintenance, repair and resurfacing of 102 miles of improved streets, and several miles of stone and gravel streets, including storm sewers, catch basins and drainage, snow plowing and snow removal.

**STREET CLEANING** -- The cleaning and sweeping of the Township's improved streets by use of mechanical sweepers. Removal of leaves by vacuum and front end loaders.

**PARKING LOTS** -- The construction, maintenance and repair of eight (8) public parking lots.

**SANITATION** -- The maintenance and repair of 100 miles of sanitary sewers and the sewage pumping and disposal plants.

**PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS** -- The general maintenance of the twenty parks and playgrounds, including minor improvements thereto, and the cooperation with the Recreation Department, in supplying and hauling both indoor and outdoor equipment.

**MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS** -- The supervision and upkeep of all public buildings, except the Library and Fire Houses, including the cleaning, repair, maintenance and building of parking lots, bus shelters and benches.

**SHADE TREES** -- The planting, removal and care of shade trees on the streets, in the public parks and public grounds, and the control of noxious weeds.

**MISCELLANEOUS** -- Any and all of the odd jobs which the good "housekeeping" of the municipality requires to be done, such as repairs and re-conditioning at the Municipal greenhouse.

The Department has the assistance of the Maintenance and Repair crew in some of this work.

**EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES** -- The equipment of the Department has been renewed and expanded during the last few years.

During 1956 a large truck for leaf removal and a truck for the mechanic will be purchased.

**ROAD MATERIAL** -- This item provides for the materials used in general repairs of the streets, such as stone, asphalt, cement and cinders.

**SNOW REMOVAL** -- About 100 miles of streets, including 9 miles of County roads are plowed. The Township is reimbursed by the County for plowing its roads whenever there are three or more inches of snow.

The Department now turns out 20 truck mounted plows and 3 sidewalk plows. This includes approximately 13 hired trucks. Heavy equipment is available from private contractors should the need arise.

ORDINANCE NO. 885 PROVIDES THAT NO PERSON SHALL PARK OR LEAVE A VEHICLE STANDING ON THE STREETS WHEN THE SNOW HAS REACHED THREE INCHES, UNTIL AFTER THE STREETS HAVE BEEN PLOWED.

STREET SIGNS -- Teaneck's street signs are being constantly repaired, repainted and replaced by the Maintenance Crew. The appropriation this year is primarily to provide street signs for the new sections and to replace plates which have become illegible.

REPLACEMENT -- CURBS, GUTTERS, CONCRETE -- This appropriation includes the repair and replacement of damaged and deteriorated curbs and gutters in various sections of the Township, plus the replacement of some asphalt patches with concrete.

STREET LIGHTING -- Street lighting is furnished by the Public Service Electric and Gas Company at basic rates approved by the Public Utilities Commission. These rates are subject to a combined discount for quantity and length of contract of 4½%.

The five year street lighting program was to progress at the rate of 480 units during 1955. Because of weather, material and labor problems some of the 1955 program will be carried over to 1956.

STREET CLEANING -- The Public Works Department now has four sweepers available when needed. One sweeper is 18 years old, and replacement parts are unobtainable. This sweeper should be replaced.

Each year we add to the leaf crop by planting approximately 400 trees. To assist with the job of picking up leaves the Township has 2 mechanical leaf loaders, and three front end loaders.

The normal items under "other expenses" are for the purchase of fibre and steel. As more new streets are to be swept each year, the cost of fibre and steel used by sweepers increases.

The appropriations in accounts 3A and 3D to purchase trucks has been reduced. Two trucks will be purchased in 1956. Five were purchased through this account in 1955.

Certain streets are in need of top coursing--3B has been increased to repair the south end of Queen Anne Road.

## SANITATION

A. SEWERS -- The sewers and pumping plants are cared for by a Chief Operator and two Operators, plus the assistance of a mechanic when needed. In the cleaning and maintenance of sewers, both storm and sanitary, a varying number of men is used. The disposal plant sludge continues to be removed by contract.

Teaneck has two disposal plants along the Hackensack River. Their elimination must await the second stage of the County project, whereby a trunk sewer will be brought up the Hackensack Valley. As most of the communities on the Hackensack River have now agreed to enter the system, construction should begin soon.

The cost of the Bergen County Sewer Authority service will continue to be paid for through general taxation.

The Bergen County Sewer Authority's charge for 1955 was on a metered basis. Meters now indicate that our sewage averages approximately 3,077,747 MGD.

GARBAGE AND ASH REMOVAL -- This service in Teaneck has always been provided by private scavengers licensed by the Township. They are members of the Teaneck Sanitary Association, which Association is under an agreement with the Township whereby their rates and services are controlled. The primary conditions of the agreement with the Township as to rates for charges and collections are as follows: --

The rates for private dwellings are --

\$1.75 per month where no ashes are collected at any time during the year.

\$2.25 per month the year 'round where ashes are collected.

For those who desire to have collections from the interior of the residence an additional charge of 25¢ per month will be made.

The charges for apartments vary according to the type of service rendered, and these charges may be obtained at the Township Clerk's office.

Collections are twice a week from October 1st to May 31st and three times a week from June 1st to Sept. 30th.

The disposal areas are sprayed by the Bergen County Mosquito Commission twice a week from May to October for the control of flies, insects and vermin, and treated semi-monthly for rat extermination.

The Bergen County Freeholders are to administer the sanitary disposal area project in the meadows at DeGraw Avenue as of January 1, 1956.

Approximately 22 acres of meadow land have been reclaimed in this area for park purposes. A regulation baseball field was built by the County on this site in 1955.

As an added service, the D.P.W. will collect, without charge, trees, hedge and shrubbery trimmings, except from land being cleared prior to the issuance of the occupancy permit. The collections will be made in accordance with the rules previously published. Copies of the rules may be obtained at the Township Clerk's Office.

## HEALTH AND CHARITIES

A. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH - There is an Acting Medical Director who is a licensed Health Officer, a part-time assistant, who is also a Health Officer,

a Child Hygiene Nurse, a Clerk (who is Acting Registrar of Vital Statistics) and a full time Clerk-Stenographer. The Plumbing Inspector works in the Health Department, but is under the division of Protection to Persons and Property.

The duties of the Health Department consist of enforcement of state and local health regulations and establishment of programs of education, inspection, and supervision in related fields.

The work of the department may be divided as follows: -

**VITAL STATISTICS** - Recording of births, marriages and deaths; issuance of marriage licenses, birth and death certificates, burial permits and the furnishing of certified copies thereof.

**HEALTH INFORMATION SERVICE** - Releases to newspapers, public addresses, and distribution of printed matter.

**COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PREVENTION AND CONTROL** - Recording of diseases, reports to County and State authorities, investigation of contacts, posting of quarantines, exchange of information with school officials.

**MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH** - Pre-natal and post-natal visits; maintenance of weekly Child Hygiene Stations under supervision of local pediatricians, injections of smallpox, whooping cough vaccine, and diphtheria toxoid; sick testing. The "personal service" item is for the nurse's salary and a vacation substitute. Included in "other expenses" are doctor's fees for attendance at the sessions, nurse's car allowance and supplies. There is a preventative health program - all cases of illness are referred to private physicians.

**RABIES CONTROL** - Carried out in collaboration with the Rabies Control Officer, who is a member of the Police Department. With assistance of local veterinarians using vaccine provided by the State, approximately 800 dogs were inoculated in 1955. All dog bites are reported to the Health Department, the dog is quarantined by the Rabies Control Office and released by the Health Officer after examination at the end of ten days. Amendments to the ordinances concerned with rabies control are being considered for introduction during 1956.

**MILK CONTROL** - Milk is sampled and sent to the laboratory at Bergen Pines Hospital for examination in collaboration with the Bergen County Health Officer's Association. Reports are exchanged with neighboring communities.

Milk trucks are inspected and license tags issued. There are about 124 milk trucks operating in Teaneck, representing about 33 milk producers. Stores handling milk must obtain a license, and these too are periodically inspected and checked for proper dating of bottles and refrigeration.

**FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS** - Restaurants and food-vending establishments are inspected and food samples obtained for examination periodically. Garbage disposal, general sanitation and food handlers are controlled. A new food handlers-milk control code will be adopted during 1956.

**LICENSING** - Beauty parlors, barber shops, laundry and dry cleaning establishments are licensed and inspected periodically. Pet shops are also licensed and regulated. The Health Department now collects the fees for food handler's licenses.

**COMPLAINTS** - A large variety of complaints is handled throughout the year. These include residence heating, refuse on vacant lots, dog curbing, unsanitary conditions, garbage problems, etc. Each complaint is first verified and then appropriate action taken.

**WATER SUPPLY** - There is collaboration with the Hackensack Water Company and Bogota Water Company to insure safe drinking water. Laboratory reports of samples are regularly obtained.

**GENERAL SANITATION** - Nuisances affecting health are investigated. Boarding homes and nursery schools are inspected and controlled.

**MOSQUITO EXTERMINATION AND VERMIN CONTROL** - Although this appropriation is mainly an allotment to the Bergen County Mosquito Commission to aid in mosquito control in the Township, the Commission also enlarged, dredged and repaired, as well as maintained, about ten miles of ditches; made weekly inspections for mosquito breeding in the Township; oiled catch basins and possible breeding places; and sprayed the public parks, spending thereon more than Teaneck's appropriation.

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORT** - This report highlights the following -

Total Births	2668	(451 to Teaneck Residents)
Total Deaths	546	(277 of Teaneck Residents)
Certificates, permits, transcripts and licenses issued	2193	
Marriage Licenses issued	302	

**NEW PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT IN 1955**

- I. A new Food Establishment Code was prepared and passed by the Council which requires licenses for all Food Handling Establishments following approval by the Health Department. Records are kept of all owners of food establishments, food sources, names and addresses of all food handlers, number of store inspections and reports of examination of samples of milk, meat, etc.
- II. The annual tuberculosis and diabetes survey was carried out again this year with the largest turnout on record.
- III. Dogs were vaccinated without charge and eight hundred dogs were handled during three days.
- IV. After the floods which damaged much property, emergency inspections were made of food stores and recommendations made for maintenance of sanitation.
- V. Numerous conferences were held concerning Salk Vaccine for poliomyelitis and preparations were made for inoculations. Syringes and needles were obtained and sterilized in order to have them ready. The program was postponed due to numerous factors beyond our control. The program was re-activated in November to cover school children of the first, second, third and fourth grades.
- VI. Revised procedures for closer control of tuberculosis and venereal disease cases were adopted and the frequency of follow-up of contacts was increased.



## VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORPS

A group of volunteer workers has for several years given valuable service to the sick and injured whenever an ambulance was needed. Responding to second alarm fires is another service that they render. Their main support is through voluntary contributions by the citizens. They own two modern and fully equipped ambulances and their headquarters is located at 721 Teaneck Road. The Township pays for gasoline and the water, gas and electricity used at their headquarters.

## POOR RELIEF

Local relief in New Jersey is administered by a non-salaried Local Assistance Board appointed by the Township Manager and approved by the Township Council. In Teaneck this Board consists of a minister, a doctor and a business man. The Board appoints the Director of Welfare, and is responsible for the administration of relief in Teaneck. Assistant to the Director is appointed by the Township Manager.

The position of Director of Welfare is at present filled by the Township Manager, assisted by a Case Investigator. The amount of \$2,673.59 was spent for administration, while cash relief expenditures were \$3,482.84. The proportion of expenses to relief is high because a considerable part of the time of a Director of Welfare and Case Investigator, the most important part, is spent in preventing individuals or families from becoming relief cases, and in passing on those who are on relief to the proper State Agencies. Such work requires family counselling, constant contact with the various social agencies, physicians and hospitals in this and other states, such as the Board of Old Age Pensions, Social Federation, Red Cross, State Board of Children's Guardians, County Welfare Board, Parole Boards, N.J. State Commission for the Blind, and various veterans' and private organizations.

Through the Community Chest a fund is available to extend relief or aid in cases in which the municipal relief is hindered or prevented from participating.

Receipts and Expenditures for Relief in 1955 were -

<u>RECEIVED</u>		<u>EXPENDED</u>	
Balance in Account 1-1-55	\$ 8,410.80	For Direct Relief	\$ 3,482.84
From 1955 budget for direct relief	5,000.00	Balance Jan. 1, 1956	11,551.64
From Reserve		Approximate 1955 bills outstanding	<u>150.00</u>
* From State of N.J. for direct relief and non-residents	1,107.40	TOTAL	\$15,184.48
Received from other sources	<u>516.28</u>		
TOTAL	\$15,034.48		

\* - The State repays to the Township about 40% of approved expenditures.

## RELIEF LOAD -

Maximum Load	-	7 cases	19 persons
Minimum Load	-	2 cases	5 persons
Average Load	-	3.9 cases	9.25 persons

Total number of persons receiving relief sometime during the year - 111.

SUPPLIES - This item includes a car allowance for the Case Investigator, telephone and general supplies.

## CONTROL OF DOGS

Last year, with State aid, approximately 800 dogs were inoculated. This year, again with State aid, permanent inoculation is going to be offered to the dog owners. A "rogue's gallery" is maintained, that is whenever a dog is suspected of rabies a picture is taken so that anyone who has been bitten can determine whether it was by this particular dog.

The Dog Warden's truck is equipped with a two-way radio which enables the Warden to keep in constant communication with the Teaneck Police Department.

The fee for a dog license is \$3.25, of which 25 cents is transmitted to the State Department of Health. The remainder, plus receipts from the redemption fees of \$3.00 per dog, is placed in a separate fund which can be used only for expenses in connection with the enforcement work, such as the salary of the Dog Warden and the maintenance and equipment of the pound.

The Dog Account had \$9,320.50 receipts for 1955 and disbursements of \$8,418.97. This Account has a reserve of \$1,366.15.

Last year 2927 dogs were licensed; 374 were impounded; 55 redeemed.

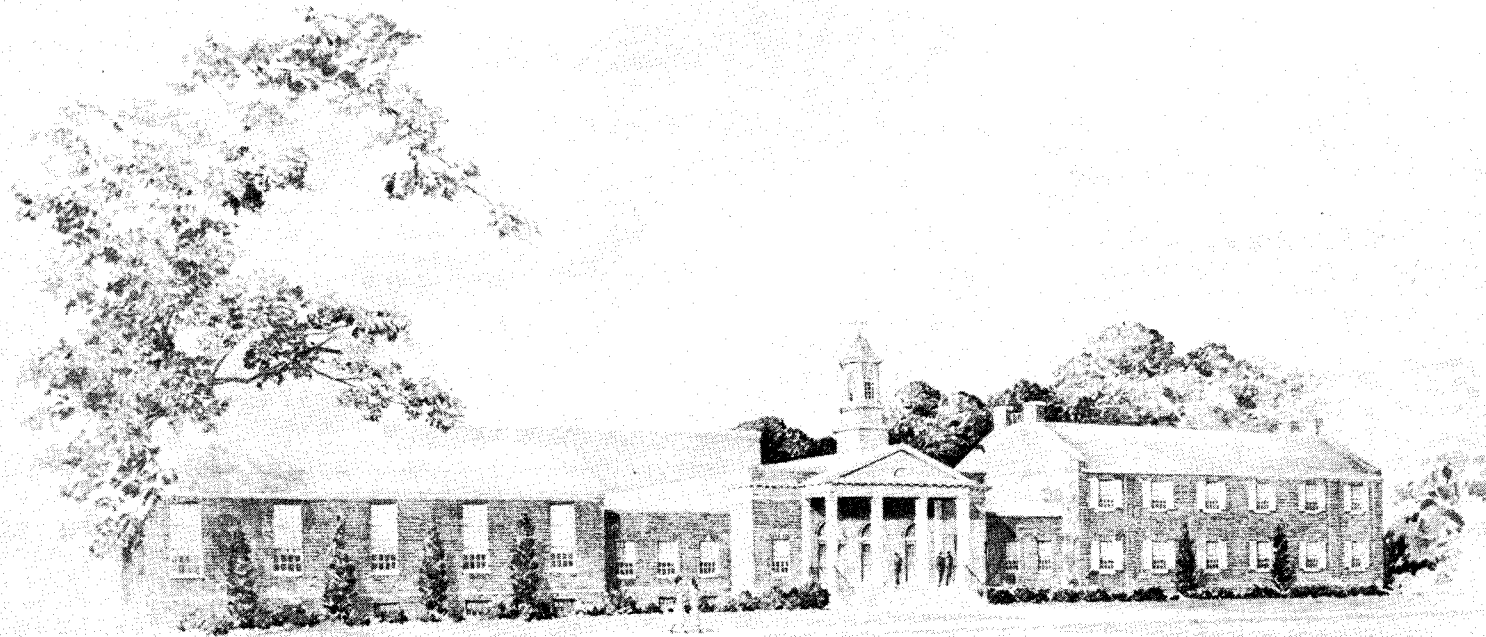
Dogs not redeemed were either turned over to the S.P.C.A. or humanely disposed of in a gas chamber and the bodies incinerated. There were 162 dog bites.

## RECREATION AND EDUCATION

A. PARK IMPROVEMENTS AND MAINTENANCE - There are at present twenty parks and playgrounds in Teaneck. These parks, plus the proposed Overpeck Creek Marine Park, should round out the land needed for park recreation purposes in the Township. Our pressing need now is to develop these parks and playgrounds with facilities and accommodations that will invite increased use of the recreation sites.

The Township has another pressing need - a suitable recreation building, that will serve the children - the adults - and the family groups in our community.

The Advisory Board on Parks and Recreation has advised the Township Council that the facilities at the Town House are inadequate. It is their recommendation that the Township consider building a recreation building that will adequately meet the needs of this community.



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PROPOSED RECREATION BUILDING

TOWNSHIP OF GRANBY, N.C.

For several years the Township Council has given priority to new public buildings on a basis of public need. It is their desire now to proceed with the construction of a recreation building as rapidly as finances will permit.

The building that is being planned will cost approximately a million and one-quarter dollars. It will have gymnasias - swimming pool - club rooms and administration offices.

The bond payments on this building can be absorbed in the 1955 and subsequent annual debt service charge reductions - without increasing the local government tax bill.

Any reduction in debt service charges should be appropriated to Capital Improvements, thus reducing the amount it will be necessary to borrow when the Township is ready to build. This procedure is strongly recommended by the Division of Local Government of the State of New Jersey.

The principal improvements made during 1955 were : - a wading pool at Terhune Park, tennis courts at Central Park, baseball backstops, asphalt walks around the wading pools, sandboxes, filling, grading and seeding, hard surfacing basketball courts, fencing certain sites and building picnic benches at various parks.

### TEANECK'S PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

RECREATION - Teaneck's recreation program has now been developed to the extent where it provides some activity for all ages, from the children's activities in the Town House, to the Retired Men's Club. In all, almost forty different activities are carried on, ranging in scope from physical fitness classes to barbershop quartette singing.

A call to the Recreation Director will bring any interested person a detailed list of the programs.

In developing this all inclusive program, the Teaneck Board of Education has been most helpful by permitting the Recreation Department the use of many school facilities.

The full time staff consists of the Superintendent of Recreation, two Recreation Directors and a Clerk-Stenographer. A male Recreation Director will be added to the staff during 1956. During the year about forty other persons are employed on a part-time seasonal basis. These are "specialists" who officiate at ball games, direct play activities at a park or playground, supervise tournaments, conduct a band, lead calisthenics, teach square dancing, instruct in modeling, or in some other specialized activity. Many of these are drawn from the teaching staff of the Teaneck school system.

The Town House continues to be the headquarters, not only for many phases of the recreation program, but also as a meeting place for many clubs and organizations which exist in the Township. Arrangements for such use can be made through the Recreation Director. Unfortunately the Department is now limited to three (3) rooms - one of which serves as an office for the Superintendent and his staff and some requests cannot be granted.

The present facilities at the Town House are grossly inadequate and considerably below par - for a community of our size and residential character.

GUARDS - A large number of playground guards are also employed while outdoor activities are at their height, and in guarding sleigh streets.

SUPPLIES AND REPAIRS - These programs require an ever increasing and varying amount of supplies, from yard to playground equipment. Increases in the appropriations applicable to Recreation and Education are due principally to some new equipment that is being purchased and the cost of various new park improvements.

### COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS

Community celebrations are supervised through a Patriotic Observance Advisory Board. The greater part of the appropriation is spent for the 4th of July and Memorial Day celebrations, the remainder for a part of the cost of the Christmas decorations of the business districts and decorating the Municipal Buildings on holidays.

### TEANECK PUBLIC LIBRARY

If you want : a critique of T.S. Eliot's works; to renovate your house; to dissect a frog; to increase your sales; to grow larger roses; to entertain a Sikh properly; or to locate the President of the American Can Company, - then telephone or visit your public library.

In 1955, these and thousands of other questions were answered with the assistance of the library's collection of 53,573 books, pamphlets, periodicals, records and pictures.

If you cannot decide between Duke and Yale and whether to be an economist or a zoologist, the files of college catalogs and vocational material in the Young Adult Room will help you. Teen-agers will also find a collection of varied and exciting books to read.

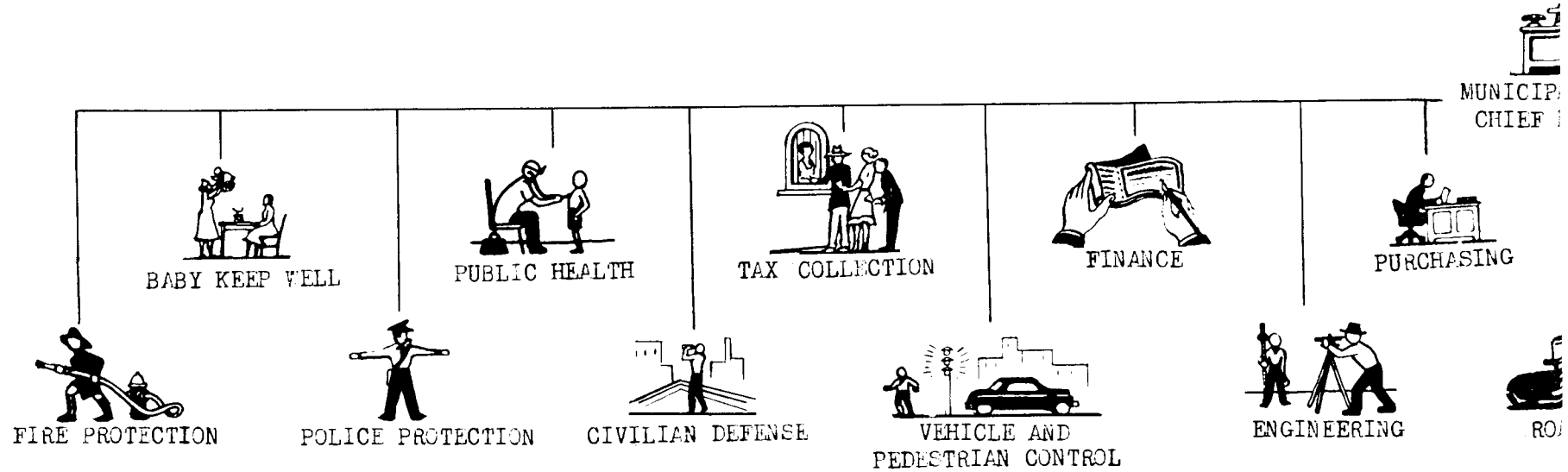
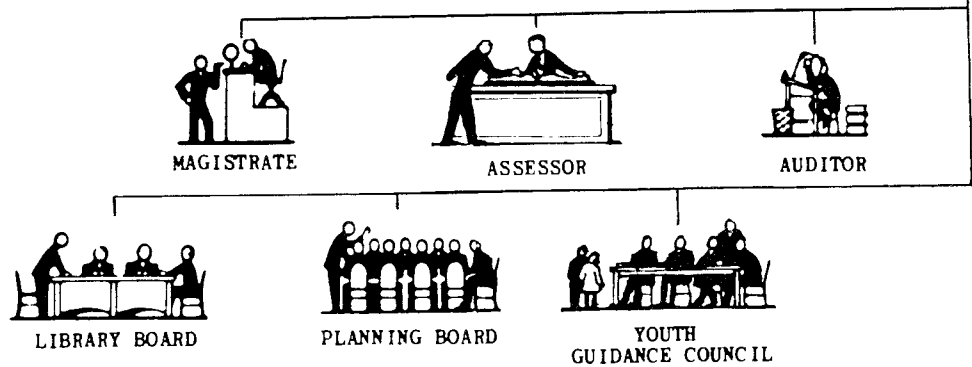
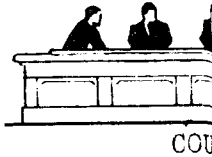
The serious musician and the jazz enthusiast will find the Music Room a pleasant place. Here the library patron can hear Beethoven's Fifth, the Benny Goodman quartet, bird calls, Churchill's speeches and Shakespeare's Hamlet while he browses through the music books, opera librettos and phonograph records. 5,852 records were borrowed during 1955.

The Junior Room always buzzes with activity. Boys and girls pouring over encyclopedias, the young fry looking for an easy book in the Jack and Jill Corner, the hobbyist requesting a book on rock collecting and the avid reader looking for a good story are familiar sights.

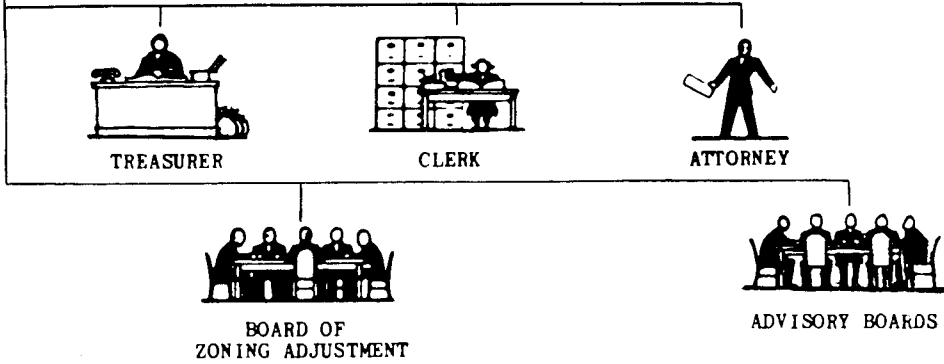
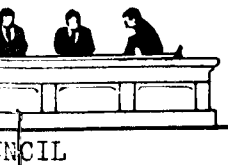
This department sponsors the weekly picture book time for the pre-schooler, film programs, monthly story time, the Davy Crockett Summer Reading Club and Book Week. The many colorful displays in the room are designed to promote an interest in reading.

A special occasion was Book Week when, in addition to the regular customers, 850 children (24 classes from all the elementary schools) with their teachers visited the library. They were taken on a tour of the library and entertained with book talks and films. 1990 new titles were added to the Junior Room in 1955.

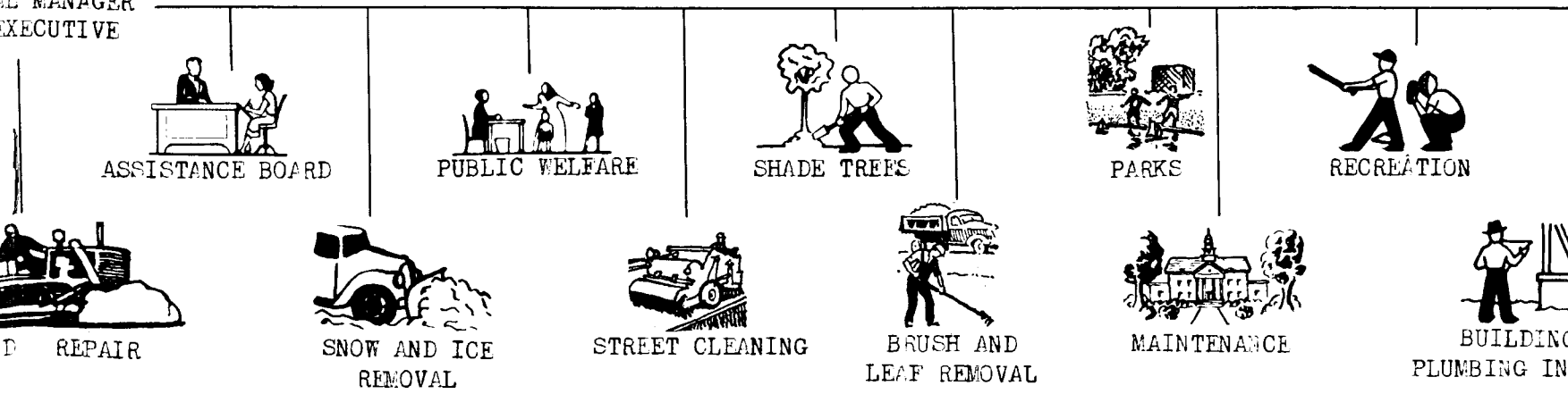
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The students of the public and parochial schools made great demands on the book collection in the fields of science, history, literature and social studies. One class assignment netted the library more than 100 requests for a realistic novel in one week.

College students, residing in Teaneck, use the library in increasing numbers for study and reference. Many men and women make daily use of the business services including Moodys, the financial and business periodicals, industrial directories, 'phone books, and books on the many phases of business, industry and finance.

During 1955, 239,655, including 68,092 adult non-fiction and 99,235 juvenile books were lent, showing an increase of 12,946 over 1954. 3,392 were added to the library adult collection.

The auditorium is used by many cultural and educational organizations for their meetings.

The Library Director and the members of the staff are anxious to serve all residents of Teaneck.

### UNCLASSIFIED PURPOSES

#### A. Premium upon Hospital Services.

This appropriation is the cost of hospitalization insurance premiums for employees and their families.

#### B. The appropriation for contingencies to cover an exigency.

### VETERANS' HOUSING

The Walraven Veterans' Apartments and the Palisade Avenue Veterans' Apartments were sold at public auction during 1955. Walraven Apartments sold for \$500,150. and the Palisade Avenue Apartments for \$64,100.

There were \$229,000 outstanding bonds to be redeemed on the Walraven Apartments, and after the cost of the sale, plus the State's share was deducted, the Teaneck government received \$33,855.07.

Proceeds from the sale of the Palisade Avenue Apartments have not yet been received from the State.

### DEBT SERVICE

TEANECK'S BONDS - As of December 31, 1955, Teaneck government's bonded debt was \$994,000. For the first-time in thirty years Teaneck's government owes less than a million dollars.

In 1925 the Teaneck government had only \$677,000. of bonded debt. Then the debt increased to an all time high of \$5,183,000. in 1929. It has subsequently been reduced to \$994,000. While reducing its debt, the Township was building parks and playgrounds, fire houses, police building, renovating an old school

building for a recreation center, purchasing modern fire equipment, making an addition to its library, constructing numerous off-street parking lots and constructing miles of streets, storm sewers and sanitary sewer facilities.

Under Surplus Revenues, page 3, it will be noted that the Teaneck government has a surplus amounting to \$446,745.30, which, if deducted from the bonds outstanding of \$994,000., leaves a difference of \$547,254.70 in excess of bonded debt over surplus.

All of the main factors pertaining to Teaneck's bonded indebtedness are shown on the chart immediately following the detailed budget figures.

The favorable change in Teaneck's debt structure since 1930 is indicated by the following -

	1930	1956
Net Municipal Debt per capita	\$301.	\$26.16
Per \$1000 of assessed valuation	227.	18.68

PAYMENT OF BONDS AND NOTES - This will be the final payment on the Veterans' apartment bonds.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT - No bond ordinance, except for certain exceptions, as in the case of veterans' housing, and where State Aid is involved, can be passed by New Jersey municipalities unless there is available a minimum 5% down payment of cash. To provide this down payment and to establish a Capital Improvement Fund is the purpose of the appropriation.

\$200,000 for down payments or Capital Improvements is included in this Budget. There was a balance of \$15,596.23 in this account.

As far as is at present known, the improvements for 1956 will be street paving and some sidewalk installation, which is assessable. There will also be some storm sewer construction work done.

Bond anticipation notes in the amount of \$253,459.38 will be used to fund street improvements made in 1953, 1954 and 1955.

### DEFICIT, DEFERRED CHARGES AND STATUTORY EXPENDITURES

#### 5. Contributions to Old Age Survivors' Insurance System.

The premium is 2% of all municipal employees' salaries, excepting the police and firemen.

6. General Employees' Pension Fund - The General Employees in the Township are now members of the State Retirement System and the Federal Social Security. The appropriation provides not only for current services, but also for services rendered by employees prior to 1940, when the pension system was adopted by vote of the taxpayers. Pensions of 50% of the official's or employee's salary are granted after thirty years of service, to those who have reached the age of sixty. At the age of sixty-five Social Security benefits become effective. No additional premium by the employee is required for Social Security until 1960.

The non-contributing feature of the old Veterans' Act has been abandoned. Life insurance and other benefits makes this pension plan one of the best in the United States. An employee upon reaching the age of sixty may retire on a smaller pension proportionate to his actual years of service; as may an employee who has twenty five years of service and who has not reached the age of sixty.

7. Delinquent Assessments - This is necessary to take care of notes or bond payments that will be due before the assessment for the improvements to the property are due and payable by the taxpayer.

### OVERLAY

The "overlay" in a New Jersey Municipal Budget is an additional appropriation which must be added to the net budget to assure that enough cash will be collected during the year to meet all expenditures, assuming that the percentage of taxes collected is the same as that of the previous year. This results in a "cash basis" budget.

Teaneck's percentage of collections last year was 98.27%. The appropriation is larger than that theoretically required. This policy will help cushion the effect of a sharp drop in tax collections. This is the largest percentage of taxes collected in the history of the Township.

### TEANECK'S BORROWING CAPACITY

The official Annual Debt Statement prepared as of December 31, 1955 shows:

TOTAL NET DEBT DECEMBER 31, 1955	\$ 5,283,606.62
Average assessed valuations, exclusive of personal, (1953-1954-1955)	42,307,226.33
Percentage of Net Debt of Average Assessed Valuations of real property	12.48%

The 12.48% reflects the statutory reduction of 8% and allows for the debt incurred by the Board of Education, Therefore, in reality, the total per cent for the school and Township government is 20.48%.

Teaneck's local government would be under the 7% legal debt limit - if the Board of Education had not used their 8% and the balance of the Township's borrowing power.

The Township has used only 2.82% of its legal 7% debt limit, and would have had a borrowing power of \$1,767,823.43, as compared to \$245,430.81. If the Township desires to borrow more than \$245,430.81, it must first have the approval of the Division of Local Government of the State of New Jersey.

The increase in the Teaneck government's borrowing power was the result of the redemption of the Walraven Drive Veterans' Apartment bonds.

**REVENUE**

<u>RESOURCES</u>	<u>1956 ANTICIPATIONS</u>	<u>1955 RECEIPTS</u>
<b>ANTICIPATED REVENUES:</b>		
<b>I. SURPLUS REVENUES</b>		
A. Current Cash . . . . .	\$370,000.00	\$375,000.00
B. Trust Cash . . . . .	19,250.05	8,552.81
C. Capital Cash . . . . .	350.00	8,100.00
D. Emergency Housing . . . . .	<u>29,225.95</u>	<u>                    </u>
	\$418,826.00	\$ 391,652.81
<b>II. MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES</b>		
<b>A. LICENSES</b>		
1. Liquor . . . . .	20,305.00	20,305.00
2. Township Clerk . . . . .	7,300.00	9,837.19
3. Health Dept. . . . .	7,000.00	7,339.00
4. Public Works Dept. . . . .	320.00	350.00
5. Building Department . . . . .	<u>                    </u>	<u>160.00</u>
	34,925.00	37,991.19
<b>B. FEES AND PERMITS</b>		
1. Building . . . . .	13,000.00	16,566.21
2. Fire Fees and Permits . . . . .	3,000.00	4,592.00
3. Health . . . . .	8,800.00	8,848.70
4. Planning & Adjustment . . . . .	800.00	1,445.00
5. Public Works . . . . .	5,000.00	5,733.90
6. Tax Searches . . . . .	1,800.00	2,181.50
7. Township Clerk . . . . .	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,077.76</u>
	33,400.00	40,445.07
<b>C. FINES AND COSTS</b>		
1. Municipal Court . . . . .	6,300.00	6,339.00
2. Library . . . . .	<u>3,700.00</u>	<u>3,716.58</u>
	10,000.00	10,055.58
<b>D. INTEREST &amp; COSTS ON TAXES &amp; LIENS . . . . .</b>	8,000.00	8,565.11
<b>E. INTEREST &amp; COSTS ON ASSESSMENTS . . . . .</b>	4,000.00	4,838.36
<b>F. INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS . . . . .</b>	13,000.00	13,545.95
<b>G. FRANCHISE TAXES . . . . .</b>	176,000.00	176,123.50
<b>H. GROSS RECEIPTS TAX . . . . .</b>	96,000.00	96,683.53
<b>I. BUS RECEIPTS TAX . . . . .</b>	10,000.00	10,052.26
<b>J. MOTOR FUEL TAX REFUNDS . . . . .</b>	3,000.00	3,041.04
<b>K. STATE ROAD AID, CHAPTER 62, Laws 1947 Formula . . . . .</b>	22,140.00	22,140.00
<b>L. VETERANS' HOUSING - WALRAVEN</b>		
1. Bond Maturity & Interest . . . . .		17,346.35
2. Payment in Lieu of Taxes . . . . .		2,027.76
3. Proceeds from State of N.J. - Sale of Walraven Veterans' Apts. . . . .		<u>219,000.00</u>
		238,374.11
<b>III. TOTAL REVENUE . . . . .</b>	<u>829,291.00</u>	<u>1,053,508.51</u>
<b>IV. RECEIPTS, DELINQUENT TAXES . . . . .</b>	50,000.00	66,027.62
<b>V. TOTAL RESOURCES . . . . .</b>	<u>\$879,291.00</u>	<u>\$1,119,536.13</u>



**OPERATING**

	1956 APPROPRIATIONS			1955 EXPENDITURES & COMMITMENTS		
EXPENDITURES	Salaries and Wages	Other Expenses	TOTAL	Salaries and Wages	Other Expenses	TOTAL
<b>I. GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b>						
<b>A. Administrative &amp; Executive</b>						
1. Council .....	\$ 5,000.00			\$ 5,000.00		
2. Township Manager .....	13,500.00			13,500.00		
3. Adminis. Asst. & Township Clerk.....	7,181.00			6,962.00		
4. Admin. Asst., Grade III.....	4,500.00					
5. Clerical .....	4,000.00			4,618.81		
6. Telephones.....	3,425.00	\$ 2,200.00		3,319.00	\$ 1,923.43	
7. Legal Advertising .....		1,800.00			1,631.18	
8. Supplies, Printing, Postage.....		6,650.00			6,453.68	
9. Reports & Public Relations.....		5,600.00			4,267.24	
	37,606.00	16,250.00	\$53,856.00	33,399.81	14,275.53	\$47,675.34
<b>B. ASSESSMENT &amp; COLLECTION OF TAXES</b>						
<b>A. Assessment</b>						
1. Assessor.....	7,000.00			6,792.00		
2. Clerks .....	15,467.00			14,988.74		
3. Supplies.....		2,750.00			2,066.46	
	22,467.00	2,750.00	25,217.00	21,780.74	2,066.46	23,847.20
<b>B. Collection of Taxes</b>						
1. Tax Collector.....	5,493.00			4,212.07		
2. Tax & Search Clerk .....	5,016.00			4,861.00		
3. Asst. Collector & Clerks .....	20,464.00			20,153.13		
4. Supplies, Printing, Equip.....		7,600.00			6,887.85	
5. Tax Sale .....		175.00			94.86	
	30,973.00	7,775.00	38,748.000	29,226.20	6,982.71	36,208.91
<b>C. PUBLIC BUILDINGS &amp; GROUNDS</b>						
1. Janitors .....	17,360.00			13,888.68		
2. Maintenance & Supplies .....	12,500.00	9,250.00		14,707.01	9,678.10	
3. Electricity, Water, Gas.....		4,275.00			3,665.19	
4. Fuel.....		4,775.00			3,408.69	
5. New Projects & Extensions.....		6,750.00			14,730.42	
	29,860.00	25,050.00	54,910.00	28,595.69	31,482.40	60,078.09
<b>D. ELECTIONS</b>						
1. Salaries & Wages .....	600.00			267.81		
2. Supplies, Printing, Adv., etc. ....		1,700.00			1,688.81	
	600.00	1,700.00	2,300.00	267.81	1,688.81	1,956.62
<b>E. LIQUIDATION OF TAX TITLE LIENS</b>						
1. Clerical & Engineering. ....	200.00			194.99		
2. Legal Fees, Costs & Searches .....		550.00			358.10	
	200.00	550.00	750.00	194.99	358.10	553.09
<b>F. LEGAL</b>						
1. Attorney.....	6,650.00			6,150.00		
2. Expenses & Litigation Costs.....		4,500.00			4,938.93	
	6,650.00	4,500.00	11,150.00	6,150.00	4,938.93	11,088.93

	<u>1956 APPROPRIATIONS</u>			<u>1955 EXPENDITURES &amp; COMMITMENTS</u>		
	<u>Salaries and Wages</u>	<u>Other Expenses</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Salaries and Wages</u>	<u>Other Expenses</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
G. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE						
1. Treasurer .....	\$ 600.00			\$ 600.00		
2. Supervisor of Accounts.....	6,000.00			5,631.00		
3. Clerks .....	8,440.00			8,391.35		
4. Supplies.....		3,500.00			2,379.78	
	<u>15,040.00</u>	<u>3,500.00</u>	\$18,540.00	<u>14,622.35</u>	<u>2,379.78</u>	\$17,002.13
H. AUDIT						
1. Local Costs.....	1,000.00			911.75		
2. Division of Local Govt.....		3,700.00			3,150.00	
	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>3,700.00</u>	4,700.00	<u>911.75</u>	<u>3,150.00</u>	4,061.75
I. ENGINEERING						
1. Engineer .....	6,595.00			6,060.11		
2. Engineers & Inspectors.....	15,098.00			7,957.97		
3. Supplies & Car Allowance .....		800.00			618.13	
4. Outside Engineering .....		5,200.00			825.00	
	<u>21,693.00</u>	<u>6,000.00</u>	27,693.00	<u>14,018.08</u>	<u>1,443.13</u>	15,461.21
J. ZONING & PLANNING						
1. Salaries .....	500.00			305.00		
2. Other Expenses .....		1,000.00			1,177.70	
	<u>500.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	1,500.00	<u>305.00</u>	<u>1,177.70</u>	1,482.70
K. SHADE TREES						
1. Supervisor.....	5,811.00			5,703.99		
2. Labor .....	26,548.00			25,164.43		
3. Equipment, Supplies, Trees .....		6,800.00			8,840.67	
	<u>32,359.00</u>	<u>6,800.00</u>	39,159.00	<u>30,868.42</u>	<u>8,840.67</u>	39,709.09
L. PURCHASING						
1. Salary.....	5,347.00			5,182.00		
2. Supplies & Car Allowance .....		600.00			576.90	
	<u>5,347.00</u>	<u>600.00</u>	5,947.00	<u>5,182.00</u>	<u>576.90</u>	5,758.90
M. INSURANCE						
1. Compensation.....		15,000.00			13,417.38	
2. Fire .....		2,800.00			2,676.16	
3. Public .....		7,900.00			7,582.37	
4. Other Insurance .....		2,000.00			2,492.08	
		<u>27,700.00</u>	27,700.00		<u>26,167.99</u>	26,167.99
N. BONDS FOR EMPLOYEES						
		1,000.00			1,596.11	
		<u>1,000.00</u>	1,000.00		<u>1,596.11</u>	1,596.11
O. YOUTH GUIDANCE COUNCIL						
1. Salary.....	500.00			520.00		
2. Other Expenses .....		500.00			216.59	
	<u>500.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>	1,000.00	<u>520.00</u>	<u>216.59</u>	736.59

1956 APPROPRIATIONS

1955 EXPENDITURES & COMMITMENTS

	<u>Salaries and Wages</u>	<u>Other Expenses</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Salaries and Wages</u>	<u>Other Expenses</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>II. PROTECTION TO PERSONS &amp; PROPERTY</b>						
<b>A. FIRE</b>						
1. Salaries .....	\$ 248,500.00			\$217,619.58		
2. Rent, Volunteer House .....		\$ 900.00			\$ 900.00	
3. Light, Heat, Supplies.....		16,125.00			15,715.90	
4. Hose .....		1,000.00			805.00	
5. Apparatus, Repairs, Additions .....		2,750.00			1,272.64	
6. Fire House, Repairs, Additions .....		3,450.00			1,816.60	
7. Communication Systems.....	22,551.00	3,600.00		24,589.12	2,243.00	
8. Hydrants .....		66,000.00			63,832.49	
9. Pension Fund - State .....		9,000.00			9,032.56	
10. Consolidated Police & Firemen's Pension Fund .....		23,000.00			24,128.98	
	<u>271,051.00</u>	<u>125,825.00</u>	396,876.00	<u>242,208.70</u>	<u>119,747.17</u>	\$ 361,955.87
<b>B. POLICE</b>						
1. Salaries .....	257,024.00			234,651.66		
2. Motor Equipment .....	4,674.00	11,500.00		5,251.22	21,813.32	
3. Communications Systems .....		7,200.00			4,670.38	
4. Light, Heat, Supplies.....		10,950.00			10,644.37	
5. Traffic .....	11,200.00	14,550.00		8,482.97	11,786.02	
6. Doctor .....		700.00			906.00	
7. Pistol Range & Matches .....	700.00	1,500.00		717.51	1,365.08	
8. Pension Fund - State .....		10,750.00			9,232.57	
9. Pension Fund - Consolidated Police & Fire .....		22,000.00			21,526.24	
	<u>273,598.00</u>	<u>79,150.00</u>	352,748.00	<u>249,103.36</u>	<u>81,943.98</u>	331,047.34
<b>C. MUNICIPAL COURT</b>						
1. Magistrate .....	3,000.00			3,000.00		
2. Clerk.....	2,167.00			2,100.00		
3. Other Expenses .....		800.00			884.04	
	<u>5,167.00</u>	<u>800.00</u>	5,967.00	<u>5,100.00</u>	<u>884.04</u>	5,984.04
<b>D. INSPECTION OF BUILDINGS</b>						
1. Supt. of Building.....	6,295.00			2,111.54		
2. Building Inspector.....	2,000.00			6,838.17		
3. Clerical .....	4,220.00			4,090.00		
4. Supplies.....		1,250.00			1,159.48	
	<u>12,515.00</u>	<u>1,250.00</u>	13,765.00	<u>13,039.71</u>	<u>1,159.48</u>	14,199.19
<b>E. INSPECTION OF PLUMBING</b>						
1. Plumbing Inspector.....	3,347.00			2,590.90		
2. Supplies.....		750.00			693.38	
	<u>3,347.00</u>	<u>750.00</u>	4,097.00	<u>2,590.90</u>	<u>693.38</u>	3,284.28
<b>F. GUARDS - SCHOOL</b>						
1. Wages.....	28,000.00			27,709.20		
2. Equipment .....		700.00			305.31	
	<u>28,000.00</u>	<u>700.00</u>	28,700.00	<u>27,709.20</u>	<u>305.31</u>	28,014.51
<b>G. CIVIL DEFENSE</b>						
1. Wages.....	100.00			11.52		
2. Other Expenses .....		4,000.00			4,561.91	
	<u>100.00</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>	4,100.00	<u>11.52</u>	<u>4,561.91</u>	4,573.43

	<u>1956 APPROPRIATIONS</u>			<u>1955 EXPENDITURES &amp; COMMITMENTS</u>		
	<u>Salaries and Wages</u>	<u>Other Expenses</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Salaries and Wages</u>	<u>Other Expenses</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
III. STREETS & ROADS						
A. REPAIR & MAINTENANCE						
1. Administrative Asst. Grade II .....	\$ 3,278.00			\$ 3,176.94		
2. Foremen, Clerk, Inspector .....	14,888.00			14,723.56		
3. Mechanics .....	6,728.00			6,594.22		
4. Operators, Motor Equipment .....	19,989.00			13,617.45		
5. Laborers .....	36,779.00			43,246.01		
6. Equipment & Supplies .....		\$ 14,900.00			\$ 9,896.03	
7. Snow Removal .....	5,000.00	7,400.00		2,279.81	4,395.15	
8. Street Signs .....	1,400.00	900.00		665.12	1,070.08	
	<u>88,062.00</u>	<u>23,200.00</u>	\$ 111,262.00	<u>84,303.11</u>	<u>15,361.26</u>	\$ 99,664.37
B. CONSTRUCTION - RECONSTRUCTION - REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE - under State Aid Funds						
1. Equipment & Supplies .....		10,000.00			17,981.13	
2. Materials .....		18,100.00			6,982.89	
3. Street Lighting .....		50,000.00			45,700.82	
		<u>78,100.00</u>	78,100.00		<u>70,664.84</u>	70,664.84
C. REPLACEMENT - CURBS, GUTTERS, CONCRETE						
1. Salaries & Wages .....	200.00			173.13		
2. Other Expenses .....		10,000.00			8,846.69	
	<u>200.00</u>	<u>10,000.00</u>	10,200.00	<u>173.13</u>	<u>8,846.69</u>	9,019.82
D. STREET CLEANING						
1. Salaries & Wages .....	13,750.00			13,381.58		
2. Equipment & Supplies .....		7,900.00			7,847.34	
	<u>13,750.00</u>	<u>7,900.00</u>	21,650.00	<u>13,381.58</u>	<u>7,847.34</u>	21,228.92
IV. SANITATION						
A. SEWER SYSTEM						
1. Adminis. Asst. Grade II .....	3,279.00			3,176.94		
2. Operators & Mechanics .....	16,758.00			13,699.94		
3. Foreman & Laborers .....	14,069.00			17,235.66		
4. Power and Water .....		1,950.00			1,564.75	
5. Supplies - Repairs .....		11,450.00			9,850.09	
6. Removing Sludge .....		1,000.00			926.00	
	<u>34,106.00</u>	<u>14,400.00</u>	48,506.00	<u>34,112.54</u>	<u>12,340.84</u>	46,453.38
B. GARBAGE & RUBBISH DISPOSAL						
1. Wages .....				9,120.37		
2. Supplies & Equipment .....		18,000.00			2,279.59	
		<u>18,000.00</u>	18,000.00	<u>9,120.37</u>	<u>2,279.59</u>	11,399.96
C. BERGEN COUNTY SEWER AUTHORITY						
		180,202.00			157,057.61	
		<u>180,202.00</u>	180,202.00	<u>157,057.61</u>		157,057.61

	<u>1956 APPROPRIATIONS</u>			<u>1955 EXPENDITURES &amp; COMMITMENTS</u>		
	<u>Salaries and Wages</u>	<u>Other Expenses</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Salaries and Wages</u>	<u>Other Expenses</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
V. HEALTH & CHARITIES						
A. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH						
1. Director .....	\$ 5,660.00			\$ 5,159.96		
2. Health Officer .....	1.00					
3. Clerical .....	8,885.00			8,595.93		
4. Supplies .....		\$ 2,000.00			\$ 2,462.43	
5. Child Clinic .....	3,424.00	2,100.00		3,531.12	1,373.71	
6. Mosquito & Vermin Control .....		1,100.00			1,062.00	
	<u>17,970.00</u>	<u>5,200.00</u>	23,170.00	<u>17,287.01</u>	<u>4,898.14</u>	22,185.15
B. OFFICE OF DIRECTOR OF WELFARE						
1. Salaries .....	2,200.00			2,075.84		
2. Supplies & Equipment .....		500.00			597.75	
	<u>2,200.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>	2,700.00	<u>2,075.84</u>	<u>597.75</u>	2,673.59
C. PUBLIC ASSISTANCE OR RELIEF						
		5,000.00			5,000.00	
		<u>5,000.00</u>	5,000.00		<u>5,000.00</u>	5,000.00
D. SERVICES OF VISITING NURSES						
		150.00			150.00	
		<u>150.00</u>	150.00		<u>150.00</u>	150.00
VI. RECREATION & EDUCATION						
A. PARK IMPROVEMENT & MAINTENANCE						
1. Salaries & Wages .....	27,703.00			19,910.84		
2. Improvements .....		17,600.00			14,547.64	
3. Other Expenses .....		15,550.00			17,543.44	
	<u>27,703.00</u>	<u>33,150.00</u>	60,853.00	<u>19,910.84</u>	<u>32,091.08</u>	52,001.92
B. RECREATION						
1. Guards .....	5,000.00			4,898.10		
2. Direction & Supervision .....	29,600.00	700.00		26,422.07	908.50	
3. Supplies & Repairs .....	4,800.00	6,550.00			5,446.03	
	<u>39,400.00</u>	<u>7,250.00</u>	46,650.00	<u>31,320.17</u>	<u>6,354.53</u>	37,674.70
C. COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS (R.S. 40:48-5.4)						
1. Salaries & Wages .....	250.00			258.38		
2. Other Expenses .....		3,500.00			3,889.19	
	<u>250.00</u>	<u>3,500.00</u>	3,750.00	<u>258.38</u>	<u>3,889.19</u>	4,147.57
D. LIBRARY						
1. Library Director .....	7,740.00			7,150.00		
2. Librarians & Clerks .....	66,413.00			60,540.59		
3. Janitors .....	9,881.00			9,322.82		
4. Books, Periodicals, Victrola Records & Binding .....		17,650.00			15,250.00	
5. Heat, Light, Water, Telephone .....		5,000.00			5,000.00	
6. Supplies, Postage, Convention .....		3,600.00			3,150.00	
7. Repairs & Equipment .....		4,400.00			3,000.00	
8. Other Expenses .....		600.00			400.00	
9. Insurance .....					<u>138.00</u>	
	<u>84,034.00</u>	<u>31,250.00</u>	115,284.00	<u>77,013.41</u>	<u>26,938.00</u>	103,951.41

	<u>1956 APPROPRIATIONS</u>			<u>1955 EXPENDITURES &amp; COMMITMENTS</u>		
	<u>Salaries and Wages</u>	<u>Other Expenses</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Salaries and Wages</u>	<u>Other Expenses</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
VII. UNCLASSIFIED PURPOSES						
A. PREMIUM ON HOSPITAL SERVICE						
(N.J. Laws - 1954).....		<u>12,000.00</u>			<u>11,954.02</u>	
		12,000.00	12,000.00		11,954.02	11,954.02
B. CONTINGENT		<u>2,500.00</u>			<u>230.29</u>	
		2,500.00	2,500.00		230.29	230.29
		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>		<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
TOTAL OPERATING	\$1,106,248.00	\$754,152.00	\$1,860,400.00	\$1,014,762.61	\$683,138.25	\$1,697,900.86

**DEBT SERVICE**

	<u>1956 APPROPRIATIONS</u>	<u>1955 APPROPRIATIONS</u>
VIII. MUNICIPAL DEBT SERVICE		
A. PAYMENT OF BONDS & NOTES		
1. Capital Bonds .....	\$ 71,000.00	\$106,000.00
2. Funding Bonds (Chapter 233)		
1955 Maturities - \$70,125.....		43,625.00
From Trust Account <u>26,500</u> .....		<u>3,771.33</u>
3. Principal on Bond Anticipation Notes.....	<u>24,202.58</u>	
	\$ 95,202.58	\$153,396.33
B. INTEREST ON BONDS & NOTES		
1. Capital Bonds.....	19,297.75	21,182.25
2. Assessment Bonds.....	1,342.50	2,723.50
3. Interest on Bond Anticipation Notes.....	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>1,100.00</u>
	22,140.25	25,005.75
B-1. VETERAN'S HOUSING		
1. Maturities .....	2,000.00	12,000.00
2. Interest.....	481.00	5,670.50
3. Emergency Housing Callable Bonds.....		<u>219,000.00</u>
	2,481.00	236,670.50
C. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS		
1. Capital Improvement Fund.....	200,000.00	1,000.00
2. To Acquire Land for Township Purposes.....		10,000.00
3. Drainage Construction at Veterans' Apts. Walraven Drive.....		<u>7,000.00</u>
	200,000.00	18,000.00
D. DEFERRED CHARGES & STATUTORY EXPENDITURES		
1. Emergencies (Fire House, 1954 and Chapter #151).....		350.00
2. Deficit in Assessment Cash.....	5,781.56	4,783.42
3. Assessments Against Properties Acquired by Township.....	4,415.08	
4. Township's Share of Assessments.....		4,587.71
5. Contribution to Old Age Survivors' Insurance System.....	11,974.44	10,800.00
6. Contribution to Employees' Pension System.....	31,390.00	29,295.00
7. Delinquent Assessment Installments - Temporarily Financed by Notes.....	<u>929.94</u>	
	54,491.02	49,816.13
TOTAL	\$374,314.85	\$482,888.71

**TAXES AND RATES**

	<u>1955</u>	<u>Rate Adjusted</u>	<u>1956</u>	<u>Rate</u>
1. Net Debt Service .....	\$ 223,793.71		\$ 374,314.85	
2. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes.....	154,288.49		137,000.00	
3. Total Debt Service & Reserve .....	378,082.20		511,314.85	
4. Operating Costs .....	1,789,147.00		1,860,400.00	
5. Total Expenditures .....	2,167,229.20		2,371,714.85	
6. Anticipated Township Revenues .....	854,800.00		879,291.00	
7. Township's Tax Share.....	1,312,429.20	2.81	1,492,423.85	2.81
8. Estimated School Tax Share .....	2,118,992.42	4.52	2,537,476.01	4.77
9. Estimated County Tax Share.....	<u>454,456.89</u>	.97	<u>533,000.00</u>	1.00
TOTAL TAX	\$ 3,885,878.51	8.30	\$ 4,562,899.86	8.58
ASSESSED VALUATION	\$46,790,293.00		\$53,221,033.00	

**COMPARISON OF EXPENDITURES, RECEIPTS, VALUATION, TAX RATES AND DEBT**

	<u>1930</u>	<u>1935</u>	<u>1955</u>	<u>1956</u>
Population	16,500	21,000	37,000	38,000
<b>EXPENDITURES - DEBT &amp; DEFICIENCIES</b>				
(Exclusive of Reserve for Uncollected Taxes, deferred School Tax and Contingent.) .....	\$ 387,806.63	\$ 351,801.00	\$ 223,793.71	\$ 374,314.85
Per Capita .....	23.50	16.75	6.05	9.85
OPERATING COSTS.....	412,231.95	358,632.00	1,789,147.00	1,860,400.00
Per Capita.....	24.98	17.08	48.36	48.95
<b>TOTAL DEBT AND OPERATING COSTS</b>				
(Including Reserve for Uncollected Taxes).....	800,038.58	710,433.00	2,167,229.20	2,371,714.85
Per Capita.....	48.48	33.83	58.57	62.41
<b>REVENUE ANTICIPATED</b>				
(Exclusive of Delinquent Taxes).....	<u>208,000.00</u>	<u>201,000.00</u>	<u>794,800.00</u>	<u>879,291.00</u>
<b>NET AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXES.....</b>	592,038.58	509,433.00	1,372,429.20	1,492,423.85
Difference between overlay and Anticipated Delinquent Tax Collections.....			94,288.49	87,000.00
<b>AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXES FOR TOWNSHIP PURPOSES.....</b>	592,038.58	509,433.00	1,312,429.20	1,492,423.85
Per Capita.....	35.88	24.26	35.47	37.96
<b>VALUATION.....</b>	21,899,140.00	26,421,191.00	46,790,193.00	53,221,000.00
Per Capita.....	1,327.00	1,258.00	1,264.60	1,400.55
<b>MUNICIPAL SHARE .....</b>	2.72	1.93	2.81	2.81
<b>SCHOOL SHARE.....</b>	2.12	1.72	4.52	4.77
<b>COUNTY SHARE .....</b>	1.24	.97	.97	1.00
<b>TOTAL RATE.....</b>	6.08	4.62	8.30	8.58
<b>NET MUNICIPAL DEBT.....</b>	4,971,000.00		1,484,000.00	994,000.00
Per Capita.....	301.00		40.11	26.16
Per \$1,000 of Assessed Valuation.....	227.00		31.72	18.68

1930 was the last year before the Municipal Manager Administration. 1935 was the year when all administration costs were on a bare maintenance basis, and when all employees had a salary reduction. 1955 is added for comparative purposes with 1956.



# ALLOCATION OF TOWNSHIPS SHARE OF THE TAX DOLLAR AND UNIT COSTS.

	PORTION OF TAX DOLLAR IN CENTS	PER CAPITA COST IN DOLLARS	COST FOR A HOME ASSESSED AT \$ 3500.
<b>DEBT, DEFICIENCY and RESERVE</b> .....	7.05	9.85	21.20
<b>PROTECTION TO PERSONS and PROPERTY</b> .....	11.04	21.06	33.20
<i>POLICE • FIRE • HYD'S • GUARDS • BLDG INSP • PLBG INSP • CIV. DEF.</i>			
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT</b> .....	4.61	8.81	13.86
<i>ADMINISTRATION • ELECTIONS • ASSESSMENT • AND COLLECTION OF TAXES • LEGAL • AUDIT. BONDS • ENGINEERING • PURCHASING • TREASURER • ACCOUNTING • COURT • PUBLIC BUILDINGS • SHADE TREES • INSURANCE • PENSIONS • ZONING • YOUTH GUIDANCE • PLANNING • VETERANS HOUSING • CONTINGENT.</i>			
<b>STREETS and ROADS</b> .....	3.05	5.82	9.17
<i>REPAIR AND NEW CONSTRUCTION • STREET CLEANING • STREET LIGHTING • SNOW REMOVAL.</i>			
<b>SANITATION</b> .....	3.40	6.49	10.22
<i>SEWERS • GARBAGE AND RUBBISH DISPOSAL.</i>			
<b>RECREATION and PARKS</b> .....	1.54	2.93	4.63
<i>COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS</i>			
<b>LIBRARY</b> .....	1.59	3.03	4.78
<b>HEALTH and CHARITIES</b> .....	0.43	0.81	1.29
<i>HEALTH • CHILD CLINIC • RELIEF.</i>			
<b>1956</b>			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	32.71	58.80
	<i>Debt Service</i>	9.85	21.20
	<i>Per Capita Operating Cost</i>	48.95	77.15

# TEANECK'S BONDED DEBT

AMOUNT AS OF DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup> OF EACH YEAR

AN IMPORTANT FACT TO NOTE IN THIS CHART IS THAT THE TEANECK GOVERNMENT'S BONDED DEBT TOTALS \$994,000. THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN 30 YEARS - AFTER REACHING A HIGH OF \$5,122,000 IN 1929 - THAT THE TEANECK GOVERNMENT HAS OWED LESS THAN \$1,000,000. THIS IS \$26.16 PER CAPITA.

## ASSESSMENT BONDS

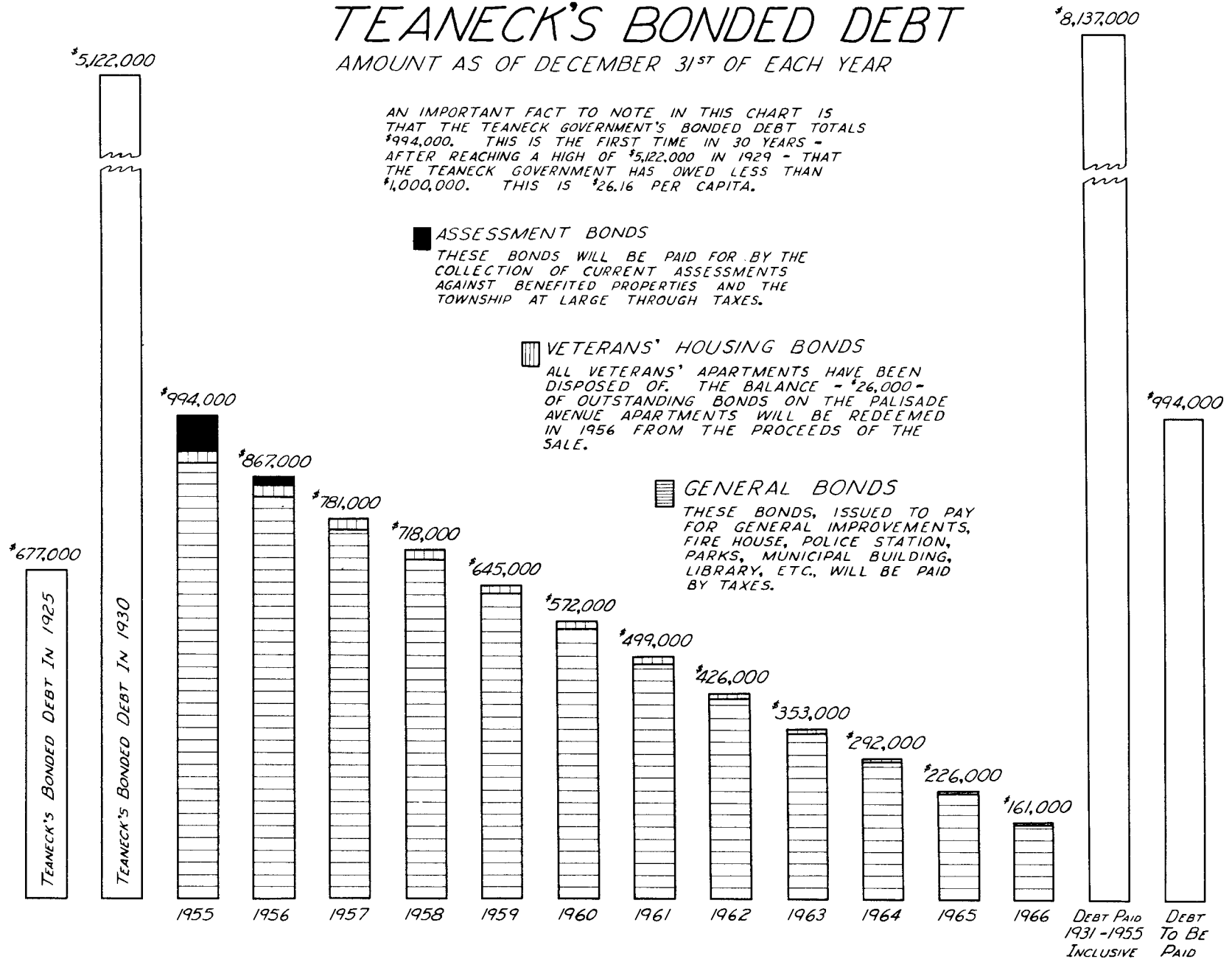
THESE BONDS WILL BE PAID FOR BY THE COLLECTION OF CURRENT ASSESSMENTS AGAINST BENEFITED PROPERTIES AND THE TOWNSHIP AT LARGE THROUGH TAXES.

## VETERANS' HOUSING BONDS

ALL VETERANS' APARTMENTS HAVE BEEN DISPOSED OF. THE BALANCE - \$26,000 - OF OUTSTANDING BONDS ON THE PALISADE AVENUE APARTMENTS WILL BE REDEEMED IN 1956 FROM THE PROCEEDS OF THE SALE.

## GENERAL BONDS

THESE BONDS, ISSUED TO PAY FOR GENERAL IMPROVEMENTS, FIRE HOUSE, POLICE STATION, PARKS, MUNICIPAL BUILDING, LIBRARY, ETC., WILL BE PAID BY TAXES.



## TEANECK SCHOOL COSTS

The Board of Education's portion of the total tax is 55.61 cents of each tax dollar collected by the Teaneck Government. The following over-all facts are given for the 1956-1957 school year -

Teaneck's schools receive their money as follows:

	1955-1956	1956-1957	
From Local Taxes	\$1,916,345.41	\$2,409,337.27	For operation. (The amount on which the people vote)
From Local Taxes	312,849.25	406,409.25	For debt service.
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TOTAL SCHOOL TAX LEVY	\$2,229,194.66	\$2,815,746.52	
Appropriated from Balances	100,000.00	20,000.00	
From State Aid	340,575.75	384,613.73	
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TOTAL SCHOOL COSTS	\$2,669,770.41	\$3,220,360.25	
Total Active Enrollment	6984	7346	
Over-all cost per pupil	382.27	438.39	
Local Tax Cost per pupil (including debt service)	333.50	386.03	
State aid per pupil	48.77	52.36	

Note: The net effect on the 1956 tax rate by the increased School Board's Tax Levy of \$418,483.59 is noted on page 31, "TAXES AND RATES" -- Item #8.

### BOARD OF EDUCATION'S BORROWING CAPACITY

Average Assessed Valuation of Taxable Real Property for last three years	\$42,307,226.33
Board's Borrowing Capacity	Legal 8% has been used.
Bonds outstanding and authorized as of December 31, 1955	<u>\$ 7,486,000.00</u>
Remaining Borrowing Capacity (Unless approved by the State)	None

### COMPARISON OF 1955 AND 1956 TAXES AND TAX RATES

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>ASSESSMENT</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>COUNTY'S SHARE</u>	<u>LOCAL SCHOOL SHARE</u>	<u>TOWNSHIP'S SHARE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
*1956	\$3,850.00	\$8.58	\$38.50	\$183.65	\$108.19	\$330.33
*1955	\$3,500.00	8.30	33.95	158.20	98.35	290.50
Difference	+350.00	+.28	+4.55	+25.45	+9.84	+39.83

\* 3850. assessment is used for 1956 because assessments were increased ten per cent over 1955 assessments.

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**CIVIC CALENDAR**

**WHEN TO DO IT**

1. Adjustment Board meets - on call of Chairman
2. Community Celebrations - May 30, July 4
3. Election, Primary - April 17 - General - November 6
4. Library Board meets - fourth Tuesday, monthly
5. Personal Taxes payable - Aug. 1, Nov. 1
6. Planning Board meets - last Thursday monthly
7. Property Assessment Date - October 1
8. Recreation Schedule -
  - Mar. 12-13 - Last classes of Boys' Gym Classes
  - Apr. 7 - Little League Try-outs
  - Apr. 9 - Spring Series (Horseback riding)
  - Apr. 23 - Spring After School Playgrounds
  - May 7 - Adult Golf Lessons - Central Park - 9:10a.m. - 7p.m.
  - May 15 - Opening Day - Adult Softball League
  - May 23 - Opening Day - Fat 'n' Forty League
  - June 25 - Summer Playground - Ends August 10
  - July 18 - First of weekly Band Concerts - Central Park 8:30p.m. Each Wed. - 7 wks.
  - Sept. 17 - Teen-age Social Dance Classes - Town House
  - Sept. 17 - Fall Horseback Riding; Ends March 31
  - Sept. 19 - Teen-age Model Classes - Town House
  - Sept. 22 - Children's Theater Workshop - Town House
  - Sept. 22 - Little Brown Jug begins - Town House
  - Oct. 8 - Fall after school playground program - 7 wks.
  - Oct. 15 - Boys Gym Class - 7-8:30 9-13 yrs. H.S. gym
  - Oct. 16 - Boys Gym Class - 7:30-9, 14-17 yrs. H.S. gym
  - Oct. 16 - Ladies gym class begins - Girls' gym H.S.
  - Nov. 20 - Gyms assigned for adult basketball leagues
  - Nov. 21 - Pep Rally Bonfire - Central Park - 7:30
  - Dec. 8 - Jr.-Sr. High School Recreation Basketball Program - High School
  - Dec. 11 - Adult Basketball play begins
9. Real Estate Taxes payable Feb. 1, May 1, Aug. 1, Nov. 1
10. Township Council meets - first and third Tuesday, monthly, July and Aug. first Tuesday only
11. Voting Registration - closes 40 days prior to each election. Registration - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00, 1:00 to 5:00 p.m., Monday thru Friday, March 1, 2, 5, 7 and 8, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

## AT YOUR SERVICE DIRECTORY

<u>TOWNSHIP COUNCIL</u> Clara A. Christensen, Township Clerk Council meets at 8:30 PM on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, excepting July and August when meetings are held only on first Tuesdays.	TE 7-1600	<u>PLUMBING INSPECTOR</u> Charles Schnaars	TE 7-1985
<u>TOWNSHIP MANAGER'S OFFICE</u> James T. Welsh, Municipal Manager	TE 7-1600	<u>LEGAL DEPARTMENT</u> John J. Deeney, Counsellor	TE 6-1793
<u>ASSESSMENT OF TAXES</u> Edward M. Young, Assessor	TE 7-1600	<u>LIBRARY</u> Agnes C. Norton, Library Director Hours:— Monday through Friday 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM Saturday 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM	TE 7-4584
<u>BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT</u> Anna M. Weber, Secretary	TE 7-1600	<u>PATRIOTIC OBSERVANCE ADVISORY BOARD</u> John W. Stucke, Secretary	TE 7-1600
<u>BUILDING AND ZONING</u> Allen M. Knowles, Acting Superintendent	TE 7-1600	<u>PLANNING BOARD</u> Grace Gingras, Secretary	TE 7-1600
<u>CIVIL DEFENSE COUNCIL</u> Charles A. Wild, Deputy Director	TE 7-2070 - 2071 TE 6-4663 - 4664	<u>POLICE DEPARTMENT</u> Cornelius J. Harte, Chief Service available 24 hours every day Traffic Violation Bureau Hours:—Monday through Saturday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM	TE 7-2600 6-2600 TE 7-2512
<u>COLLECTION OF TAXES</u> Robert A. Herbert, Collector Office Hours are as follows:— Monday through Friday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM Evenings 7:00 PM to 8:30 PM on the first Monday of each month. ALSO the last Monday in January, April, July and October.	TE 7-1600	<u>PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT</u> Martial J. Kilmurray, Superintendent Hours:—Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM	TE 6-2791
<u>DOG WARDEN</u> Cornelius Van Dyk	TE 7-2600 6-2600	<u>PURCHASING DEPARTMENT</u> John W. Stucke, Purchasing Agent	TE 7-1600
<u>ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT</u> Hermann Meyer, Senior Engineer	TE 7-1600	<u>RECREATION DEPARTMENT</u> Richard E. Rodda, Superintendent	TE 7-7130
<u>FINANCE DEPARTMENT</u> William F. Haeker, Treasurer	TE 7-1600	<u>TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY BOARD</u> Duncan E. Hill, Chairman	TE 6-0005
<u>FIRE DEPARTMENT</u> Francis A. Murray, Chief Service available 24 hours every day	TE 7-2085	<u>VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORPS</u> Service available 24 hours every day	TE 7-2600 6-2600
<u>HEALTH DEPARTMENT</u> Mrs. Cecelia M. Bowen	TE 7-1985	<u>WELFARE DEPARTMENT</u> Mrs. Frances Yaney, Deputy Director	TE 7-1819
		<u>YOUTH GUIDANCE COUNCIL</u> Dr. Robert D. Wietz, Chairman	Home Phone Office Phone TE 7-6138 6-0249

NOTE:— Except as noted above, the Township Departments are open 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM Monday through Friday. All departments, except the Police and Fire Departments are closed on Saturdays and Sundays and all Legal Holidays.

*CITIES ARE WHAT MEN MAKE THEM*

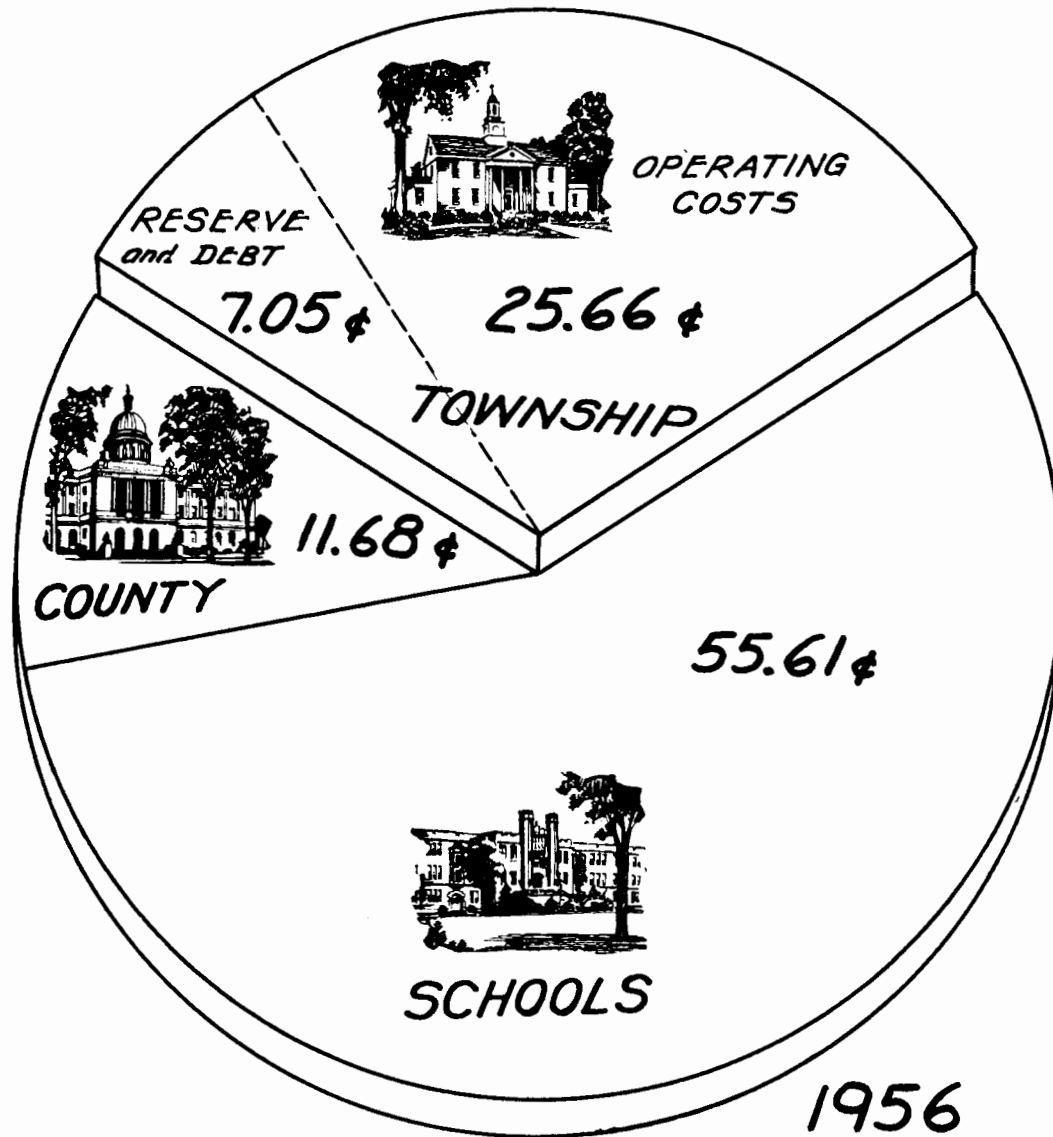
“Cities are what men make them,  
Wherever those cities may be,  
Whether out on the desolate desert,  
Or set by the surging sea.  
Though they cleave to the breasts of mountains,  
Or nestle by rivers broad,  
Cities are what men make them,  
On the land that is given of God.

“Cities are what men make them,  
What men demand they shall be,  
Slothful, sloven, sleepy,  
Progressive, beautiful, free.  
If the hearts of the builders are noble,  
In one with the day and the need,  
They build unto grandeur and greatness,  
For thus it was ever decreed.”

—*Quoted in the December, 1939, issue  
of the “Illinois Municipal Review.”  
Author unknown.*

# ALLOCATION OF THE TEANECK TAX DOLLAR

## HOW THE TAX DOLLAR IS SPENT



The small chart 1931, when compared with the 1956 allocation indicates, that the Township is asking for 11.29% per cent less of each tax dollar for local government than they received in 1931.

You will note that each tax dollar collected by the Township 55.61¢ are spent by the Board of Education, The Township collects, on a calendar year basis, the amount of taxes that the Board of Education request for the school year. This, in effect, means that only one-half of the 1956-1957 school budget increase will be reflected in the 1956 tax rate. The remaining 50% increase will be reflected in the 1957 budget.

Bergen County receives 11.68¢ of each Teaneck tax dollar collected.

The Township has remaining for debt and reserve 7.05¢ of each tax dollar collected, and 25.66¢ to pay for the operation of all Township departments.

The distribution of this 25.66¢ is shown on the chart entitled - "Allocation of the Township's share of the Tax Dollar and Unit Cost" - for example - 3.05¢ of each tax dollar collected is spent on streets and roads.

