

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Several Official Boards

OF THE

TOWN OF BERLIN

MASSACHUSETTS



FOR THE

Year Ending December Thirty-first
1948

Berlin Free Public Library

Library Funds for 1948

Sarah A. Sawyer Fund, interest.....	\$ 207.92
Julia B. Carter Fund, interest.....	10.00
Mary Hastings Fund, interest.....	2.00
J. A. and M. A. Sanderson Fund, interest	10.00
Elwyn W. Howard Fund, interest.....	2.00
Joseph Priest Fund, interest.....	10.40
Anna A. H. Hunt Fund, interest.....	19.50
M. A. Larned Fund, interest.....	112.50
Edith and Geo. Sawyer Fund, interest...	25.00
Bal. Int. S. A. Sawyer Fund.....	2.82
Bal. Auction Fund.....	56.98
Dog Tax	362.63
Library Fines and Sale Paper.....	43.55
By Taxation	775.00
	\$1,640.30

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Hazel L. Sawyer, Librarian.....	\$ 400.00
Hazel Johnson, Assistant.....	9.00
James E. Andrews, Janitor.....	225.00
Worc. Sub. Elec. Co., Lights.....	39.52
G. Bonazzoli & Sons, Coal.....	270.13
New Eng. News Co., Books.....	400.44
Herman Goldberger Ag'y, Magazines.....	60.55
W. J. Coulter Press, Newspaper.....	2.00
New Enterprise Pub., Newspaper.....	2.00
American Lib. Assoc., Book List.....	5.00
Caylord Bros., Inc., Supplies.....	10.95
Andrews & Taylor, Supplies.....	2.00
Coldwell's, Inc., Supplies	1.15
C. M. Field & Co., Geraniums.....	5.00
John Sanmartino & Sons, Shrubs and Labor	34.00
George H. Phelps, Roof Repair.....	42.69
Marion C. Fromant, Lawn Mower Re- pair	3.00
Cecil B. Wheeler, Painting.....	104.11
Charles Blenkhorn, Labor.....	3.75
	\$1,620.29
(Bal. S. Sawyer Fund) Unexpended.....	20.01
	\$1,640.30

Recapitulation

Salaries	\$ 634.00
Lights	39.52
Fuel	270.13
Books	400.44
Periodicals	64.55
Supplies	24.10
Maintenance	187.55
	\$1,620.29
Unexpended	20.01
	\$1,640.30

Respectfully submitted,

MARION C. FROMANT.
 ELEANOR P. WHEELER.
 CARRIE S. HUDSON.
 MARJORIE L. COLDWELL.
 MILDRED A. BARTLETT.
 IVA M. POPP.

Examined Jan. 1, 1949.
 Helen L. Tansey, Auditor.

Librarian's Report

Number of books last reported.....9,508
 Number of books added.....214
 Number of books now on shelves.....9,722
 Fines, \$39.92. Sale of paper, \$2.36.

The circulation of books for the year 1948 was 5,923.
 Fiction, 5,266. Non-Fiction, 657. Magazines, 1,916.

GIFTS, 1948

Mrs. C. E. Cotting. General Electric Co.
 Mrs. Everett Paine. U. S. Dept. of Agriculture
 Mary Ellen Tansey. Metropolitan Life Ins. Co.

"Village Greens of New England," by Louise Kent, was purchased with money from the "Howard Fund."

Miss Marguerite Elliott Peaslee, Art Supervisor in the Berlin Schools, had an exhibition of her own work at the Library from March 22 to the 27th. The interest shown was most gratifying as 141 adults and children viewed the pictures.

A study group under the leadership of Mrs. Marie Lewis McKenzie, with International Relations as their subject had three meetings at the Library.

An exhibition of work done by the 8th grade of the

Grammar School was on display during the summer months.

The former tennis court ground was cleared through the kindness of Mr. Eldon Wheeler. Plans are being made for further improvement of this land.

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL L. SAWYER,
Librarian.

New Adult Fiction

Abbott, Jane.....	The Outsiders
Allen, Hervey.....	Toward the Morning
Auslander, Joseph.....	My Uncle Jan
Baldwin, Faith.....	Marry for Money
Baldwin, Faith.....	They Who Love
Barley, Ann.....	Patrick Calls Me Mother
Bassett, Sara Ware.....	Within the Harbor
Bates, Sylvia.....	The Weather Breeder
Bell, Margaret.....	Watch for a Tall White Sail
Berlin, Ellin	Lace Curtain
Beverly, Giddings.....	River of Rogues
Bosworth, Allan.....	Bury Me Not
Boyd, Martin.....	Lucinda Brayford
Brean, Herbert.....	Wilders Walk Away
Buck, Pearl	Peony
Burt, Katherine.....	Still Water
Cadell, Elizabeth.....	Gay Pursuit
Caldwell, Taylor.....	Melissa
Carroll, Gladys.....	While the Angels Sing
Chase, Borden.....	Blazing Guns on the Chrisholm Trail
Clark, Philip.....	Flight Into Darkness
Clark, Howard.....	Mill on Mad River
Coles, Manning.....	Among Those Absent
Conrad, Joseph	Lord Jim
Coxe, George.....	Venturous Lady
Coxe, George.....	Hollow Needle
Cronin, A. J.	Shannon's Way
Cunningham, A. B.....	Death Haunts the Dark Lane
Dickens, Charles.....	Old Curiosity Shop
Dickson, Carter.....	The Skeleton in the Clock
Doner, Mary	Ravenswood
Douglas, Lloyd.....	Big Fisherman
Downes, Anne	Mary Donovan
Dumas, Alexandre.....	Man in the Iron Mask
Eastman, Elizabeth.....	The Mouse With the Red Eyes
Ermine, Will.....	Singing Lariat
Ernenwein, Leslie	Rebel Yell
Farnal, Jeffery.....	Most Sacred of All

Field, Peter.....	Return to Powder Valley
Forbes, Esther.....	Running of the Tide
Ford, Leslie.....	Devil's Stronghold
Gardner, Erle S.	D. A. Takes a Chance
Garth, David	Tortured Angel
Gibbs, Philip	Hopeful Heart
Gilligan, Edmund	Storm at Sabel Island
Gooden, Arthur.....	Trouble in the Saddle
Goudge, Elizabeth.....	Pilgrim's Inn
Grey, Zane	Rogue River Feud
Gruber, Frank	Fighting Man
Hager, Alice.....	Janice—Airline Hostess
Hale, Garth.....	Victory of Paul Kent
Hamilton, Kay.....	Young Doctor Glenn
Hancock, Lucy.....	Special Nurse
Hargrove, Marion	Something's Got to Give
Hendryx, James.....	On the Rim of the Arctic
Hewson, Maxine.....	Keeping House for Jan
Hill, Grace and Ruth.....	Mary Arden
Hobart, Alice Tisdale.....	Cleft Rock
Holton, Edith.....	Green Carpet
Jennings, John.....	River to the West
Kelland, Clarence.....	Merchant of Valor
Kendrick, Baynard.....	Flames of Time
Keyes, Frances Parkinson.....	Dinner At Antoinies
Knight, Ruth	Fare By My Side
Knight, Kathleen.....	Birds of Ill Omen
Knight, Clifford.....	The Affair of the Sixth Button
Lancaster, Bruce	No Bugles Tonight
Larrimore, Lida.....	Each Shining Hour
Lin, Yutang.....	Chinatown Family
Lockridge, Frances and Richard.....	Untidy Murder
Lockridge, Frances and Richard.....	Murder Is Served
Lockridge, Frances and Richard.....	I Want to Go Home
Lytton, Edward.....	The Last Days of Pompeii
Marsh, Rebecca.....	Portrait of Dorothy
Mayrant, Drayton.....	Sword from Galway
McDonnell, Gordon.....	My Sister, Good Night
Miller, Helen T.	Flame Vine
Miller, Helen T.	Trumpet in the City
Moore, Ruth.....	Fire Balloon
Nathan, Robert.....	Long After Summer
Nichols, Margaret.....	And Have Not Love
Noble, Holliston.....	Woman With a Sword
North, Sterling.....	So Dear to My Heart
Olsen, D. B.	Devious Design
Partridge, Bellamy.....	Big Freeze
Paton, Alan.....	Cry, the Beloved Country

Pearse, Dick.....	Desert Steel
Post, Mary	Annie Jordon
Priestly, J. B.	Jenny Villers
Renault, Mary	North Face
Rider, Brett.....	Circle C Carries on
Rinehart, Mary Roberts.....	Light in the Window
Robertson, Frank	Rope Crazy
Roe, Vingie	Great Trace
Sandburg, Carl.....	Remembrance Rock
Scott, Walter Sir.....	Ivanhoe
Seifert, Shirley.....	The Proud Way
Seton, Anya	The Hearth and Eagle
Sharp, Margery.....	Foolish Gentlewoman
Shepard, Fern.....	Candidate for Romance
Shute, Nevil.....	No Highway
Siller, Van.....	Paul's Apartment
Smith, Betty	Tomorrow Will Be Better
Smith, Dodie.....	I Capture the Castle
Stanley, Chuck.....	Frontier Scout
Stewart, Catherine.....	Three Roads to Vallalla
Stewart, George	Fire
Stout, Rex	And Be a Villain
Strange, John	Make My Bed Soon
Thane, Elswyth	Kissing Kin
Thirkell, Angela.....	Private Enterprise
Thirkell, Angela	Love Among the Ruins
Thompson, Sylvia.....	The People Opposite
Thompkins, Walker.....	West of the Texas Law
Trimble, Lewis.....	Valley of Violence
Upfield, Arthur.....	An Author Bites the Dust
Vance, Ethel	Secret Thread
Vande Water, Frederic.....	Reluctant Rebel
Von Wahl, Karin.....	The Threshold
Walling, R. A. J.	The Late Unlamented
Walker, Dorothy	Five o'clock Surgeon
Walsh, Maurice.....	Damsel Debonaire
Warren, Esther.....	New Song in a Strange Land
Warfield, Frances.....	Cotton in My Ears
Wentworth, Patricia.....	Eternity Ring
Westland, Lynn.....	Black River Ranch
White, Nelia.....	No Trumpet Before Him
Williams, Ben Ames.....	House Divided
Wodehouse, P. G.	Spring Fever
Yates, Dornford.....	Berry Scene
Yates, Elizabeth	Beloved Bondage
Young, Gordon.....	Red Clark to the Rescue

Adult Non-Fiction

- Adams, James T.Album of American History
 Bean, George H.Yankee Auctioneer
 Boston, Henry.....Northern Farm
 Bromfield, Louis.....Malabar Farm
 Carroll, Alice.....Needlecraft Encyclopedia
 Carnegie, Dale.....How to Stop Worrying and Start Living
 Chamberlain, Samuel.....Six New England Villages
 Chevigny, Hector.....My Eyes Have a Cold Nose
 Dereeux, Mary.....Interior Decorating
 Douglas, Marjory.....Everglades
 Early, Eleanor.....New Orleans Holiday
 Eellis, May.....A Touch of Parsley
 Eisenhower, Dwight.....Crusade in Europe
 Gilberg, Aage.....Eskimo Doctor
 Halsey, William.....Admiral Halsey's Story
 Helmericks, Constance and Hermon,
 Our Summer With the Eskimos
 Hirshberg, AlThe Braves
 James, Marquis.....The Metropolitan Life
 Kent, Louise.....Village Greens of New England
 Kieran, John.....Information Please Almanac 1948
 Lothrop, Eleanor.....Throw Me a Bone
 Lyon, Eugene,
 Our Unknown Ex-President, Herbert Hoover
 MacDonald, Betty.....The Plague and I
 Meyer, Card.....Peace or Anarchy
 Miller, George.....Isabel and the Sea
 Miller, John.....Story of General Electric
 Mitchell, Edwin.....Yankee Folk
 Monaghan, FrankHeritage of Freedom
 Patri, Angelo.....How to Help Your Child Grow Up
 Peale, Norman.....A Guide to Confident Living
 Richards, William.....The Last Billionaire—Henry Ford
 Scott's Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue—1947
 Shea, Margaret.....Tavern in the Town
 Skinner, Cornelia Otis.....Family Circle
 Topp, Mildred.....Smile Please
 Wagenknecht, Edward...Fireside Book of Yuletide Tales
 Wells, Sumner.....We Need Not Fail
 Wherry, Edgar.....Wild Flower Guide
 White, W. L.Lost Boundaries
 Woodbury, George.....John Goffe's Mill
 World Almanac—1948
 Young, Klyde.....Heir's Apparent
 Year Book of Agriculture—1942,
 Keeping Live Stock Healthy

Juvenile Fiction

Austin, Margot.....	Gabriel Church Kitten and the Moths
Bailey, Bernadine.....	Little Laurie of Finland
Beim, Jerrold.....	Country Fireman
Beim, Lorraine.....	Alice's Family
Blackstock, Josephine.....	Rue Plays the Game
Bontemps, Arna Conroy Jack.....	The Fast Sooner Hound
Brown, Paul.....	Pony Farm
Bryant, Bernice.....	Trudy Terrill
Decker, Duane.....	Starting Pitcher
Farley, Walter.....	Island Stallion
Grew, David	Whitepaw Goes North
Haywood, Carolyn.....	Penny Goes to Camp
Hunt, Mabel.....	Matilda's Buttons
Johnson, Margaret and Helen.....	Stablemates
Kingman, Lee.....	The Rocky Summer
Lambert, Janet.....	Miss Tippy
L Hommedieu, Dorothy.....	Leo, the Little St. Bernard
Lovelace, Maud.....	Betsy and Joe
McCloskey, Robert.....	Blueberries for Sal
McLelland, Isabel.....	Ten Beaver Road
Meigs, Elizabeth.....	White Winter
Renick, James and Marion.....	David Cheers the Team
Renick, Marion.....	A Touchdown for Dos
Tunis, John	Highpockets
Tompkins, Jane.....	Two Pennies Overboard
Walden, Amelia.....	Sunnycove
Ware, Leon	Shifting Winds
Wood, Esther.....	Silver Widgeon
Woolley, Catherine.....	Ginnie and Geneva

Juvenile Non-Fiction

English, George.....	Getting Acquainted with Minerals
Lee, Tina.....	What to Do Now
Stevenson, Augusta.....	Buffalo Bill, Boy of the Plains
Zim, Herbert	Rabbits

REPORT OF THE BERLIN FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

For The Year Ending December 31, 1949

LIBRARY FUNDS FOR 1949

Sarah A. Sawyer Fund, interest	\$233.77
Julia B. Carter Fund, interest	11.25
Mary Hastings Fund, interest	2.25
G. A. and M. A. Sanderson Fund, interest	11.25
Elwyn W. Howard Fund, interest	2.25
Joseph Priest Fund, interest	11.70
Anna A. H. Hunt Fund, interest	20.00
M. A. Larned Fund, interest	112.50
George H. and Edith S. Sawyer Fund, interest	50.00
Balance interest S. A. Sawyer Fund	20.01
Library Fines and Sale Paper	41.50
Dog Tax	374.37
By Taxation	875.00
	\$1,765.85

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Hazel L. Sawyer, Librarian	\$ 400.00
Hazel Johnson, Assistant	9.00
James E. Andrews, Janitor	250.00
Worcester Sub. Electric Co., Lights	38.30
G. Bonazzoli and Sons, Coal	261.53
New England News Co., Books	458.34
Herman Goldberger Agency, Magazines	65.75
W. G. Coulter Press, Newspaper	2.00
News Enterprise Publishers, Newspaper	2.00
American Library Association, Book List	5.00
Gaylord Brothers, Inc., Supplies	10.45
Andrews & Taylor, Supplies	1.59
C. M. Field & Co., Geraniums	5.00
John Sanmartino & Sons, Shrub Work	22.00
Phillip W. Bartlett, Lawn Work	49.63
Lester F. Sarty, Painting	53.91

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Charles Blenkhorn, Labor	8.63
James E. Andrews, Clock Repair	4.00
Leonardi & Son, Cement Work	75.00
Ralph Cabiaw, Bulldozer	15.00
George R. Spofford, Surveying	12.75
	\$1,749.38
	16.47
Unexpended Balance S. Sawyer Fund	
	\$1,765.85

RECAPITULATION — 1949

Salaries	\$659.00
Lights	38.30
Books	458.34
Periodicals	74.75
Fuel	261.53
Supplies	17.04
Maintenance	240.42
	\$1,749.38

Unexpended Balance, Interest S. Sawyer	16.47
Fund	
	\$1,765.85

Respectfully submitted,

Marion C. Fromant
 Carrie S. Hudson
 Eleanor P. Wheeler
 Marjorie L. Coldwell
 Mildred A. Bartlett
 Mabel F. Marble

Examined January 9, 1950.
 Helen L. Tansey, Auditor.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

For The Year Ending December 31, 1949

Number of books last reported	9,722
Number of books added	227
Number of books now on shelves	9,949
Fines for the year	\$38.87
Sale of papers and magazines	\$1.85

The circulation of books for the year 1949 was 6,417. Fiction, 5,687, Non-Fiction, 730, Magazines, 1,024.

GIFTS — 1949

Mrs. Evelyn Puffer
Mr. Nathan Spaulding
Mrs. Wilmer Tenney

Mr. Franklin Smith
Mr. Chester Powell
Berlin Grange

"Our Alaskan Winter" was purchased with money from the "Howard Fund."

"Juliette Low" was given to Library by the Girl Scouts.

The magazine "Holiday" was added to the list and the following are being discontinued: Children's Playmate, Child Life, Wee Wisdom and Parents.

The list of the years books is being omitted at the request of the Selectmen.

Respectfully submitted,

Hazel L. Sawyer

Librarian