

**ANNUAL**  
**REPORT**

OF  
MUSKEGON  
C O U N T Y  
GOVERNMENT

**1954**

February 9, 1955

To: Board of Supervisors, Muskegon County

INTRODUCTION

The following pages contain valuable information relative to the operation of Muskegon County Government for the year 1954:

The various department heads are to be commended for their cooperation in supplying much of the financial and statistical data.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

From a financial standpoint, Muskegon County government experienced a bad year in 1954. While no money was borrowed during the year for operations, the General Fund ended the year with a deficit of \$106,732.37. This deficit was financed by tax advances out of the 1955 tax collections.

The over-all budget performance was not good. With a total appropriation of \$1,595,553.62, the County spent \$1,790,214.47. The excess of expenditures was caused by one thing - a \$250,000.00 over-expenditure by the Welfare Department.

The following table shows the record of budget performance during the past four years. Over-expenditure of the budget is shown in parenthesis.

COMPARISON OF EXPENDITURES WITH BUDGET

<u>Year</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Difference</u>
1951	\$1,664,891.00	\$1,746,720.72	(\$81,829.72)
1952	1,676,819.00	1,646,347.02	30,471.98
1953	1,624,998.96	1,581,715.97	43,282.99
1954	1,595,553.62	1,790,214.47	(194,660.85)

There is one encouraging note in the 1954 picture. If the Welfare Department had not spent the extra \$250,000.00, total expenditures would have been \$1,540,214.47. This amount would have represented a saving in the budget of \$55,339.15 instead of the over-expenditure of \$194,660.85 shown in the above table.

Elimination of welfare expenditures from the amounts spent for operations shows the following results:

COST OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT EXCLUSIVE OF WELFARE

1951	\$1,241,006.54
1952	1,160,788.02
1953	1,079,828.47
1954	1,149,628.47

While the 1954 cost is more than the 1953 cost by \$69,800.00 the increase is explainable. Some of the cost of remodeling the Supervisor's Room and the Courthouse Annex is included in this figure, as well as the cost of additional help for the second court, additional help in the Sheriff's Department, as well as the Safety Director's office, and \$11,868.54 of other Capital improvements.

In comparing expenditures with the budget, savings were effected in all categories with the exception of two. The appropriation for elections was \$9,000.00 and the total expense was \$15,237.18. The Sheriff's budget also was exceeded by \$7,878.21. This over-expenditure is the result among other things of additional help hired for which no appropriation was made, as well as painting cost of approximately \$1,100.00 which was ordered by the State, and a deficiency in the appropriation for cost of new Cruisers.

General Fund revenue increased again as shown in the following table:

GENERAL FUND REVENUE

1951	\$1,420,700.89
1952	1,464,660.26
1953	1,563,159.43
1954	1,648,385.38

FUTURE OUTLOOK

A record budget has been adopted by the Board of Supervisors for 1955. The total budget is \$2,038,264.67. With anticipated receipts of a like amount, the budget was in balance at the beginning of the year.

The greatest increase in the new budget is, of course, for the Welfare Department. Unless substantial savings can be effected in this category, a bank loan in 1955 appears to be a certainty.

CONCLUSION

The tax payers of Muskegon County are much concerned about the high cost of government. This concern is justified in view of the results of a careful analysis of departmental cost for the four year period ending December 31, 1954 which indicates rising costs in practically all departments with few exceptions.

While the County is growing and the activities of government necessarily expand, those of us who are charged with responsibility for spending public funds must weigh carefully each new proposal and ask ourselves, "Is this expenditure absolutely necessary?"

The controller's office will continue to look for ways to reduce cost within the framework of the budget which the Board of Supervisors approves.

Respectfully submitted

Theodore P. Strunck  
Controller, Muskegon County

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A G R I C U L T U R E  
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE

The Cooperative Extension Service is so named because it serves the people of Muskegon County through a cooperative arrangement between the County of Muskegon, Michigan State College and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The services of the College and the Department are thus made available to the people of the county.

Salaries of the field staff are paid from State and Federal funds. The county supplies offices, an office staff and funds for other local expenses.

The Cooperative Extension Service has three main divisions, as follows:

AGRICULTURE, Carl H. Knopf

All phases from commercial farming to home gardens are in charge of the County Agricultural Agent. Leading activities during 1954 were:

1. Dairy Improvement, carried on largely through 3 artificial breeding associations and 2 dairy herd improvement associations.
2. Soils. A total of 1,111 samples were tested during 1954 in the county soil testing laboratory. Recommendations regarding the use of lime and fertilizer were given. Cover crops and other practical means for conserving soil were stressed. One-over tillage methods are being tried.
3. Forestry. The 30-year-old campaign to reforest Muskegon County was continued. Christmas tree shaping was stressed. Growers of Christmas trees were assisted in forming an organization.
4. Crops. The principal emphasis is on forage crops and better pastures. Certified seed and improved varieties are also promoted. Chemical weed control is an important development.
5. Insect Control and Plant Diseases. Throughout the year the Extension Service office is besieged with requests for information regarding the control of plant pests, plant diseases and household insects.
6. Home Grounds and Gardens. The rapid expansion of suburban areas and of part-time farming has greatly increased the Extension Service work load in everything relative to crops, gardens, trees, and lawns.
7. Much Else. The variety and number of requests made on the Extension Service can scarcely be imagined until one has experienced them. Suffice to say, the Extension Service attempts to serve all the people of Muskegon County in every way possible and in the best possible manner.

#### 4-H CLUB WORK - Don Hearl

Muskegon County's most important assets are its boys and girls. 4-H Club work aims to give the best possible training in various skills to these boys and girls. It also provides planned recreation. Most important of all, it develops better citizens and progressive leaders.

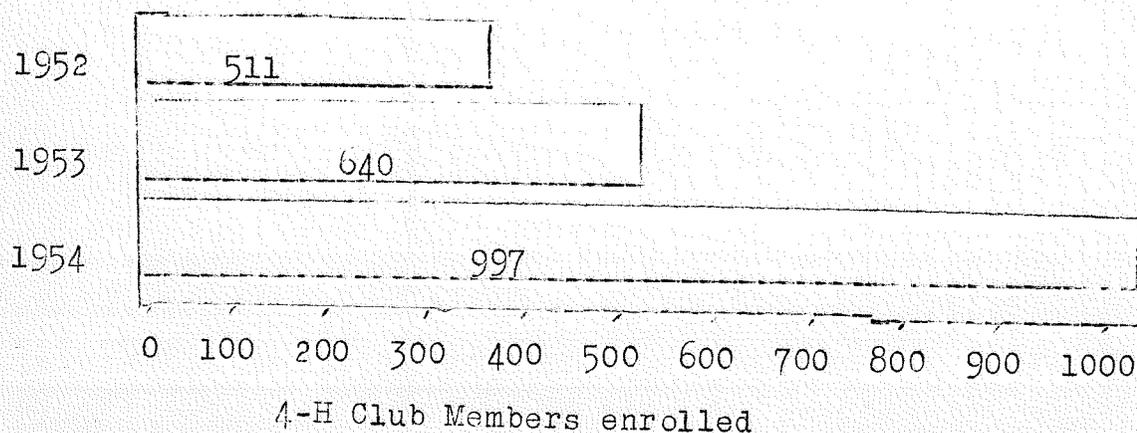
In 1954 Muskegon County had a total of 98 clubs with 997 boys and girls enrolled. These 997 members, between the ages of 10 and 20 years, worked under the guidance and supervision of 151 volunteer local leaders.

The 1954 enrollment represents a 71% increase in number of clubs, and an increase of 64% in number of boys and girls enrolled, over the previous year.

The 4-H activities included dairying, horses, swine and other livestock, poultry, tractor, handicraft, electrical, clothing, knitting, foods, canning, landscaping, gardening, flowers, conservation, photography, and many other projects. Several thousands of dollars are represented both in investment and income for the 1923 projects completed in 1954. The financial side of 4-H club work is relatively unimportant as compared to other benefits derived, such as acquiring special skills and sportsmanship, and the development of character and leadership.

All portions of the county, with the exception of Blue Lake, Fruitland and Whitehall townships, had one or more active 4-H Clubs during 1954.

It is estimated that only about one-fifth of the boys and girls of 4-H club age in the rural and suburban areas of Muskegon County are being reached at the present time. Most of the boys and girls are interested and available. The problem is to secure sufficient interested adults to serve as local leaders.



HOME DEMONSTRATION WORK - Luella Nault

In 1954 a total of 30 Home Demonstration groups with an enrollment of about 350 women participated in Muskegon County's Home Demonstration program.

Six lessons were selected by the groups. These covered all phases of homemaking, such as household furnishings, clothing, home management, and foods and nutrition. Also included were program planning, officer training, council meetings, Achievement and Rally days.

Many other homemakers, not members of home demonstration classes, also benefit from this work through information and instruction passed on to them by neighbors who are participating.

The Home Demonstration Agent contributes news articles of interest to homemakers to all newspapers in the area. Television programs were given from Station WOOD-TV, Grand Rapids.

The former home demonstration agent, Miss Rae, left in July and the program was carried on by officers of the council with assistance from the County Extension staff and specialists from Michigan State College.

The home demonstration agent assists with 4-H events such as leader training, achievement days and also gives instruction in girls project work.

Home demonstration members have set two goals for 1955, namely;

1. To increase their membership.
2. To build a better program.

January 7, 1955

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
Muskegon County  
Muskegon, Michigan

Gentlemen:

Here is the report of receipts and expenditures for Muskegon County Airport for the year of 1954.

According to figures obtained and appraisals December 31, 1953, for land, buildings, runways, and certain facilities, in setting up accounting records, the original estimated investment of Muskegon County Airport was \$921,730.94---County investment, \$356,936.29; Other (Chamber of Commerce), \$70,000.00; State, \$65,015.33; and Federal, \$429,779.32.

It appears that, due to lack of detailed information, of the \$356,936.29 figure, the County was given credit for \$40,000 to \$50,000 raised by the Chamber of Commerce in establishing the Airport and all development under W.P.A. This would reduce the County investment considerably. The estimated County share of original investment would then be about 25%. Title is held by the County to an airport representing an estimated original investment of \$921,730.94, current replacement value of one million three hundred thousand to one million five hundred thousand dollars.

This year new equipment was purchased in the amount of \$3,651.12, and an ADT System was installed in the W.A.A. Building at a cost of \$1,432.23 to reduce insurance costs. These expenditures were made out of the Airport Fund from operating income.

Condition of the Airport and equipment is contained in our Annual Report presented to the Board at the October session.

During 1954 the Airport has spent \$15,010.24 for land purchases, clearing, etc., for the Instrument Landing System installation, and has under option land for \$16,750.00 obligated for payment out of the \$20,274.15 now in the Airport Expansion and Construction Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

*Frank S. Pittenger*  
Frank S. Pittenger,  
Airport Manager.

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## Statement of Receipts, Airport Fund

One Year Ending December 31, 1954

Landing Area:			
Field-Use Charges		\$10,231.02	
Concession--Gasoline & Oil		2,333.18	
Field Storage & Parking Charges		56.50	
Refund, Maintenance of Equipment		61.80	
" Gasoline Tax		<u>150.75</u>	
Landing Area Receipts:			\$12,933.25
Hangar Area:			
Unearned Rent (Hangar rent paid in advance		\$105.00	
Hangar Rent		11,085.17	
Storage of Aircraft		1,222.27	
Ground-Site Rentals for Shops		147.83	
Refund, Fuel		17.18	
" Light & Power		<u>276.49</u>	
Hangar Area Receipts:			12,853.99
Terminal Area:			
Rent in Terminal Building		\$2,825.32	
Concessions		3,677.09	
Management Services		1,685.00	
Flying Schools Office Rent & Other Income		<u>641.44</u>	
Terminal Area Receipts:			3,828.85
Other Areas:			
Sale of Christmas Trees			1,038.10
Miscellaneous Refunds:			
Refund of Prepaid Insurance		\$3,723.74	
" Travel & Entertainment		52.65	
" Miscellaneous & Advertising		<u>7.00</u>	
Miscellaneous Refunds Received:			<u>3,783.39</u>
Total Receipts, Airport Fund, for year 1954:			\$39,437.58

Balance, Airport Fund, 12-31-53	\$22,963.58
Plus Receipts during 1954	39,437.58
Less Expenditures during 1954	<u>42,832.72</u>
Balance, Airport Fund, 12-31-54	\$19,568.44

Note: The Muskegon County Treasurer shows a balance of \$19,566.94 in the Airport Fund as of 12-31-54. The \$1.50 difference is our voucher No. 722 to the Secretary of State for which two checks were written. The discrepancy was not corrected until after December 31, 1954.

Balance, Airport Expansion & Construction Fund, 12-31-53	\$4,536.17
Plus Receipts, 1954	30,748.22
Less Expenditures, Acquisition of Property	<u>15,010.24</u>
Balance, Airport Expansion & Construction Fund, 12-31-54	\$20,274.15

Statement of Expenditures, Airport Fund  
One Year Ending December 31, 1954

Landing Area:				
Operating Expense,	Light & Power		\$1,219.46	
"	"	Salaries	1,258.12	
Maintenance	"	Main., Building & Grounds	734.38	
"	"	" Equipment	3,570.34	
"	"	Operation of Vehicles	698.07	
"	"	Salaries	3,097.78	
"	"	Tax on Gasoline	105.75	
Administr.	"	Salaries	2,315.92	
"	"	Travel & Entertainment	<u>83.94</u>	
Landing Area Expenditures:				\$13,583.76
Hangar Area:				
Operating Expense,	Fuel		\$439.64	
"	"	Light & Power	1,421.96	
"	"	Salaries	1,162.30	
"	"	ADT System & Service	1,432.23	
"	"	Refund of Hangar Rent	25.00	
Maintenance	"	Main., Bldg. & Grounds	546.74	
"	"	" Equipment	1,360.50	
"	"	Salaries	1,695.34	
Administr.	"	Salaries	<u>2,779.92</u>	
Hangar Area Expenditures:				10,863.63
Terminal Area:				
Operating Expense,	Fuel		\$410.26	
"	"	Janitor Supplies	332.51	
"	"	Light & Power	1,011.65	
"	"	Salaries	2,336.64	
"	"	Commission paid	25.06	
Maintenance	"	Main., Bldg. & Grounds	636.04	
"	"	" Equipment	122.57	
"	"	Salaries	736.29	
Administr.	"	Salaries	<u>1,940.35</u>	
Terminal Area Expenditures				8,101.37
Other Areas:				
Operating Expense,	Salaries		\$670.16	
"	"	Purchase of Trees	<u>100.00</u>	
Other Area Expenditures:				770.16
Undistributed Expenditures:				
Prepaid Insurance			\$3,880.06	
Equipment			3,651.12	
Communications			311.31	
Maintenance of Office Equipment			12.00	
Miscellaneous & Advertising			243.05	
Office Supplies & Printing			203.75	
Travel & Entertainment			<u>1,207.01</u>	
Total Undistributed Expenditures:				<u>9,513.80</u>
Total Airport Fund Expenditures for year 1954:				\$42,832.72

MUSKEGON COUNTY AIRPORT

December 31, 1954

Balance Sheet

<u>Assets:</u>			
Current Assets:			
County Treasurer, Airport Fund			319,568.44
" " " Expansion & Const. Fund			20,274.15
Cash on Hand			50.00
Receivables, Notes			824.82
" " Accounts			86.00
Prepaid Insurance			3,094.37
" ADT System			<u>1,021.20</u>
Total Current Assets:			344,918.98
Fixed Assets:			
	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Deprec. to</u>	
		12-31-1954	
Landing Field	\$584,575.98	\$159,657.96	\$424,918.02
Hangars	282,283.00	69,740.49	212,542.51
Terminal Building	29,123.00	10,387.34	18,735.66
Other Bldgs. & Fac.	40,089.93	6,916.74	33,173.19
Equipment	<u>30,762.82</u>	<u>20,453.75</u>	<u>10,309.07</u>
Fixed Assets:	966,834.73	267,156.28	699,678.45
Other Assets:			
Constr. Work in Progress			<u>902.07</u>
Total Assets:			<u>\$745,499.50</u>

<u>Liabilities &amp; Equities:</u>			
Current Liabilities:			
Unearned Rent			\$2,154.38
Equities:			
Capital Invested by Muskegon County		\$210,583.78	
Grants-in-Aid, Federal		343,498.63	
" " " State		52,329.78	
" " " Other (Chamber of Commerce)		120,000.00	
Operating Surplus		<u>16,932.93</u>	
Total Equities:			<u>743,345.12</u>
Total Liabilities & Equities:			<u>\$745,499.50</u>

Summary of Income & Expense

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>Net</u>
Landing Area	\$12,702.01	\$14,322.49	(\$1,620.48)
Hangar Area	12,383.07	12,792.92	(\$409.85)
Terminal Area	9,847.53	9,000.73	\$846.80
Other Areas (Christmas Trees)	<u>1,038.10</u>	<u>770.16</u>	<u>267.94</u>
	\$35,970.71	\$36,886.30	(\$915.59)

## ANIMAL SHELTER

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY

YEAR 1954

Dog Warden Collections	\$4,235.00
Dog Shelter Fees - Seizure	659.00
Dog Shelter Fees - Board	764.00
Dog Shelter - Kennel License, etc.	317.50
Dog Tax - Treasurer's Collections	<u>7,143.00</u>
Total receipts	\$13,118.50
Disbursements	<u>19,304.65</u>
Excess of Disbursements over Receipts	<u>\$ 6,186.15</u>

Excess of disbursements over receipts in past years -

1953	\$3,773.30
1952	2,558.44
1951	7,447.99

MUSKEGON COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER YEARLY REPORT - 1954.

Dogs picked up and received <u>In January</u>	408
Cats picked up and received	119
Dogs sold and released	32
Cats released	20
Dead dogs picked up	47
Dead cats picked up	23
Dogs destroyed	325
Cats destroyed	76
Bite cases reported	4
Dogs picked up and received <u>in February</u>	350
Cats picked up and received	132
Dogs sold and released	75
Cats released	7
Dead dogs picked up	41
Dead cats picked up	33
Dogs destroyed	234
Cats destroyed	90
Bite cases reported	3
Dogs picked up and received <u>in March</u>	399
Cats picked up and received	163
Dogs sold and released	68
Cats released	5
Dead dogs picked up	38
Dead cats picked up	49
Dogs destroyed	293
Cats destroyed	109
Bite cases reported	5
Dogs picked up and received <u>In April</u>	322
Cats picked up and received	123
Dogs sold and released	56
Cats released	8
Dead dogs picked up	27
Dead cats picked up	21
Dogs destroyed	225
Cats destroyed	94
Bite cases reported	4
Dogs picked up and received <u>In May</u>	320
Cats picked up and received	139
Dogs sold and released	49
Cats released	6
Dead dogs picked up	27
Dead cats picked up	19
Dogs destroyed	239
Cats destroyed	114
Bite cases reported	5
Dogs picked up and received <u>In June</u>	427
Cats picked up and received	253
Dogs sold and released	50
Cats released	6
Dead dogs picked up	27
Dead cats picked up	44
Dogs destroyed	344

June cont'd

Cats destroyed	219
Bite cases reported	29
Dogs picked up and received <u>In July</u>	453
Cats picked up and received	193
Dogs sold and released	62
Cats released	7
Dead dogs picked up	41
Dead cats picked up	22
Dogs destroyed	348
Cats destroyed	181
Bite cases reported	8
Dogs picked up and received <u>In August</u>	423
Cats picked up and received	217
Dogs sold and released	48
Cats released	8
Dead dogs picked up	23
Dead cats picked up	42
Dogs destroyed	352
Cats destroyed	135
Bite cases reported	11
Dogs picked up and received <u>In September</u>	357
Cats picked up and received	209
Dogs sold and released	35
Cats released	14
Dead dogs picked up	36
Dead cats picked up	16
Dogs destroyed	286
Cats destroyed	189
Bite cases reported	3
Dogs picked up and received <u>In October</u>	429
Cats picked up and received	241
Dogs sold and released	46
Cats released	14
Dead dogs picked up	37
Dead cats picked up	65
Dogs destroyed	295
Cats destroyed	212
Bite cases reported	7
Dogs picked up and received <u>in November</u>	369
Cats picked up and received	227
Dogs sold and released	57
Cats released	8
Dead dogs picked up	39
Dead cats picked up	48
Dogs destroyed	275
Cats destroyed	171
Bite cases reported	5
Dogs picked up and received <u>In December</u>	473
Cats picked up and received	129
Dogs sold and released	54
Cats released	12
Dead dogs picked up	47

<u>December cont'd</u>	
Dead cats picked up	28
Dogs destroyed	382
Cats destroyed	79
Bite cases reported	5

TOTALS FOR THE YEARS - 1954

Dogs picked up and received	4,720
Cats picked up and received	2,145
Dogs sold and released	632
Cats released	115
Dead dogs picked up	430
Dead cats picked up	410
Dogs destroyed	3,598
Cats destroyed	1,669
Bite cases reported	89

OTHER DEAD ANIMALS

Squirrels	59
Rabbits	71
Chickens	61
Skunks	17
Birds	11
Deer	2
Calves	1

TOTAL 222

OTHER LIVE ANIMALS PICKED UP

Pigs	2
Horse	1
Monkey	1
Pigeons	14

TOTAL 18

TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY TURNED IN FOR YEAR - 1954

License Books	\$4,235.00
Kennel License	297.50
Seizure Fees	676.00
Board Fees	757.00
Miscellaneous	20.00

GRAND TOTAL FOR YEAR \$5,985.50

Respectfully submitted

Charles F. Taylor  
Dog Warden, Muskegon County  
Animal Shelter

TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MUSKEGON COUNTY, MICHIGAN:

Your Honorable Board has requested the Circuit Court to submit a report of its operations during the year 1954, for your information. The Circuit Court voluntarily complies with your request, and submits herewith the following report:

Judge Henry L. Peers is absent from the Court, by reason of an extended illness. This report is prepared in his absence by Judge Noel P. Fox.

The total budget for the Circuit Court, for the year 1954, was \$67,020.00. By vigorous administrative controls, and case by case follow through, we were able to operate with a total expenditure of only \$56,711.92, for a total saving of \$10,309.08. This is 15.36% less than the sum budgeted for the year. This savings, however, does not reflect the total Court operational savings for 1954.

In addition, the sum budgeted for a full time secretary in Judge Fox's Court, was \$3216.00. In order to assist in specialized administrative problems, this sum was used to hire a man for individual case audit and follow through in the Friend of the Court's office. He worked full time on this assignment until the 6th day of June, at which time the person drawing compensation from this appropriation was transferred to the position of full time deputy clerk, while he also continued with individual case audits and interviews on Friend of the Court matters.

Also, there was appropriated in the County Clerk's 1954 budget, the sum of \$2760.00, for a second deputy clerk. The Courts used the Assignment Clerk, and the first deputy clerk received only a part of the sum appropriated for this job classification. There

remained in the Clerk's budget the sum of \$1813.00, for the first Deputy Clerk appropriation, making a total savings in the Clerk's budget, occasioned by economies of the Circuit Court, the sum of \$4573.00. Therefore, the total savings in the Circuit Court was the sum of \$15,062.08.

In addition, the Court was able to obtain a full time State Civil Service Probation Officer, from the Corrections Department. The salary for this officer was approximately \$4200.00, last year. This is in keeping with the program hereinafter set forth, under the Probation section of this report. This makes the total savings to the County the sum of \$19,262.08.

A substantial part of the savings was due to the fact that the Court Reporter in Judge Fox's office filled two position classifications. She discharged the full time responsibilities of Court Reporter as well as the full time responsibilities of Court secretary. She received only the salary of the Court Reporter. Thus, the secretary's appropriation in this Court was used in the manner hereinbefore set forth.

The total expenditure, year by year, for the past four years, for the Circuit Court is as follows:

1951	\$54,567.37
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This was a single Judge operation, with assistance from visiting Judges.

1952	\$50,283.64
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This was the same type of operation.

1953	\$42,264.76
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Likewise, this was the same type of operation. This year had one of the largest case loads of any of the recent years.

In 1954, with two Judges, the total actual expenditure was \$56,711.92, which is only \$2,144.55 more than the 1951 single Judge, visiting Judge arrangement expenditure. Therefore, each year, even with the two Judge Circuit, has seen a substantial decrease in actual operation costs. This reflects careful administrative follow through and controls.

However, some of the office supply and printing deficit spending of the 1954 operation represents equipment and permanent supplies.

At the beginning of the year 1954, the total pending case load was 774 cases, in all classifications. During the year, a total of 1525 cases were added, which are divided as follows: 1272 of all classifications; 253 representing special petitions, show cause and bench warrants out of the Friend of the Court office. This total does not include special petitions and warrants on probation and violation matters, which would be in addition to the above stated figures.

The total case load for the year was 2299. A total of 1431 cases were disposed of during 1954. This includes the 253 cases, as above stated, for the Friend of the Court's office. The number, without the 253 cases, is 1178.

The following is a classification of cases which were on the calendar at the beginning of the year: Law -- 278; Chancery -- 443; Criminal -- 53, for a total of 774.

During the year, the following number of cases were commenced: Law -- 324; Chancery -- 682; Friend of Court matters -- 253; Criminal -- 266, for a total of 1525.

The Friend of the Court and Probation offices show the following results:

Alimony & support payments	\$565,085.91	
Probation Department	16,399.97	
Handling Fees	1,782.00	
Total receipts		\$583,267.88
Alimony calls	280	
Divorce investigations	138	
Bench Warrants - Muskegon County	30	
Bench Warrants - served out of County	41	
Orders to Show Cause	182	
Family trouble investigations	31	
Child custody investigations	20	
Probation calls	6	
Pre-sentence investigations & reports	209	
Home investigations for other Counties	27	
Miscellaneous calls (do not fall into any of the above categories)	103	
Probation cases pending January 1, 1954		173
Probation cases added during 1954		108
Total		281
Probation cases discharged during 1954	85	
Probation cases pending January 1, 1955	196	

Attention is especially directed to the Probation Department. The Circuit Court continued to avail itself of the grant in aid by way of service from the Corrections Department of the State of

The Friend of the Court and Probation offices show the following results:

Alimony & support payments	\$565,085.91	
Probation Department	16,399.97	
Handling Fees	1,782.00	
Total receipts		\$583,267.88
Alimony calls	280	
Divorce investigations	138	
Bench Warrants - Muskegon County	30	
Bench Warrants - served out of County	41	
Orders to Show Cause	182	
Family trouble investigations	31	
Child custody investigations	20	
Probation calls	6	
Pre-sentence investigations & reports	209	
Home investigations for other Counties	27	
Miscellaneous calls (do not fall into any of the above categories)	103	
Probation cases pending January 1, 1954		173
Probation cases added during 1954		108
Total		281
Probation cases discharged during 1954	85	
Probation cases pending January 1, 1955	196	

Attention is especially directed to the Probation Department. The Circuit Court continued to avail itself of the grant in aid by way of service from the Corrections Department of the State of

Michigan. During the year of 1954, we had the full time service of Mr. Paul Hulka, State Civil Service employee, a Michigan State College graduate, especially trained by college curriculum and in-the-field experience under the direction of skilled and experienced probation officers to assist in the preparation of pre-sentence reports and field case supervision of probationers. In November, we were successful in securing a second full time State Civil Service employee, Lang Southwell, which gives the Circuit Court two full time probation officers, without cost to the County of Muskegon,

We have arranged with the Corrections Department for the inclusion of another probation officer in its budget request now before the State Legislature, so that we expect to have three full time State Civil Service trained Corrections Department Probation Officers on the staff of the Muskegon Circuit Court by the middle of 1955. The total savings to the County of Muskegon, resulting from the services of the two officers, will be approximately \$8000.00, in 1955, and if we are able to get a third full time Probation Officer during the second half of 1955, the total savings will be approximately \$10,000.00.

This, in all probability, will give us an opportunity to assign one man especially to youth violation cases; one to pre-sentence reports, and one to full time adult case supervision.

This program has, and will, result in very substantial total savings to the taxpayers of Muskegon County, and also to the State of Michigan, over and above the salary savings.

The average cost for care in a correctional institution, per year, is \$1500.00 per inmate. The actual cost of probation, in criminal courts through the Country, now ranges from \$20.00 to

\$150.00 per case, per year. Wise use of probation and parole offers the maximum treatment possibilities at the least expense to the public.

There are compelling social reasons for full development of community correctional treatment, such as probation. The offender's ultimate adjustment and correctional problem must be to the family unit, and to the community standards. This adjustment is best achieved in the community itself. Institutionalization of some offenders can be as hazardous to society as releasing those who should not be released. Wise use of probation adds to a community's well being and its wealth. It preserves family life, and its most compelling reason for extension and use is the savings in human values which it effects.

During 1954, Paul Hulka, State Probation Officer, had full time supervision of 146 cases, and part time supervision of 5 such cases, for a total case load of 151. He had 22 citations for violations. These citations, however, did not result in final commitment. Only 4 of the 22 were finally committed to prison. Out of the four, two were committed for violations in other jurisdictions than the direct supervision of the Muskegon Circuit Court. One was committed to the County Jail for a violation.

It is important to note that there were 52 families involved in the case load supervised by Mr. Hulka, with a total of 98 children. Two of these families were separated at the time of the commencement of the probation. The remaining 50 families were kept together, and thus the wife and children did not become wards of the State, and the violator was able to readjust himself within his family unit and within the community, as such. If the heads of these families had

been sent to the State penal institutions, in addition to the average cost of \$1500.00, per year, for each inmate, the taxpayers would be forced to pay approximately \$540.00 per year, per child, or a total of \$52,920.00, by way of public assistance for the 98 children.

A breakdown of probation contacts is as follows:

Home calls	787
Office interviews	878
Special investigations	391
Supervision contacts	1428
Other contacts (probation violation, pre-sentence, public relations, etc.)	438

Man hours spent on probation contacts, as follows:

Office and Court Room	1037
Field (home calls, investigations, including approximately three Friday nights per month at Sheriff's Department, checking and apprehending probationers)	1007

A change in the Friend of the Court office was scheduled for the 21st day of January, 1955. Mr. James Belgrave is scheduled to succeed Lawrence Buitendorp, as Friend of the Court.

The Court, in conjunction with the new Friend of the Court and other community facilities and interested persons, plans on reexamining the facilities and personnel of the Friend of the Court's office, in order to make recommendations which will square with the statutory requirements and case load demands in this important administrative function of the Circuit Court.

1954 APPORTIONMENT REPORT

UNIT	COUNTY		CITY OR TWP.		CITY OR TWP.		CITY OR TWP.		SCHOOL DEBT		SCHOOL EXTRA		SPECIAL		TOTALS	
	TAX	TAX	TAX	TAX	TAX	TAX	TAX	TAX	PRIOR TO 12-8-32	MILLAGE	REJECTED TAX	DRAIN TAX	DRAIN TAX	SPECIAL TAX	TOTALS	
<b>Townships</b>																
Blue Lake	4,702.99	1,567.66	—	—	4,645.29	—	—	—	—	6,294.04	.97	—	—	—	17,211.05	
Casnovia	14,903.75	1,824.63	—	—	15,877.62	—	—	—	—	2,998.72	—	1,963.62	290.21	—	37,858.55	
Cedar Creek	6,695.10	652.49	—	—	6,826.38	—	—	—	—	1,167.62	—	145.71	150.18	—	15,637.48	
Dalton	21,268.55	3,544.76	—	—	23,306.38	—	—	—	—	40,834.68	10.40	—	—	792.86	89,757.63	
Egelston	17,739.31	1,825.30	—	—	23,541.92	—	—	—	—	31,171.50	16.68	—	—	5,475.90	79,770.61	
Fruitland	25,489.91	4,248.32	—	—	26,885.89	—	—	—	—	51,476.30	—	—	—	1,000.00	109,100.42	
Fruitport	36,542.80	9,135.70	—	—	40,436.82	—	—	—	—	43,630.92	19.61	—	—	1,533.00	131,298.85	
Holton	7,869.22	1,311.53	—	—	9,535.70	—	—	—	—	10,243.12	—	903.59	443.67	—	30,306.83	
Laketon	20,057.42	6,685.81	—	—	22,731.74	—	—	—	—	66,858.06	.73	—	—	—	116,333.76	
Montague	21,194.62	2,793.47	—	—	17,662.18	—	—	—	2,331.40	32,498.41	—	—	—	—	76,480.08	
Moorland	9,170.21	500.00	—	—	9,402.31	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	19,072.52	
Muskegon	226,705.08	83,125.56	—	—	263,840.07	—	—	—	—	276,135.43	—	—	11,919.85	—	861,726.99	
Norton	121,634.00	18,103.36	—	—	177,560.48	—	—	—	—	101,123.25	37.01	—	—	—	418,458.10	
Ravenna	17,398.88	1,974.05	—	—	19,083.56	—	—	—	—	24,788.16	—	—	—	—	63,244.65	
Sullivan	5,837.45	—	—	—	8,669.66	—	—	—	—	6,408.55	—	—	—	—	20,915.66	
Whitehall	1,678.86	279.81	—	—	1,808.27	—	—	—	4.62	3,610.94	—	—	—	—	7,382.50	
White River	7,130.31	1,782.58	—	—	5,941.92	—	—	—	385.80	5,377.90	—	—	—	—	20,618.51	
<b>Cities</b>																
Montague	17,421.51	29,180.25	—	—	14,517.92	1,916.36	—	—	—	26,712.97	—	—	—	—	89,749.01	
Muskegon	894,313.24	1,335,421.36	119,234.00	—	1,207,322.00	32,791.00	—	—	—	596,208.00	4.17	—	—	—	4,185,293.77	
Muskegon Heights	303,140.46	370,600.00	19,500.00	—	444,606.00	38,000.00	—	—	—	156,117.33	3.84	—	—	—	1,331,967.63	
North Muskegon	52,099.81	73,808.06	1,389.33	—	69,466.40	—	—	—	—	43,416.50	—	—	—	8,683.30	248,863.40	
Roosevelt Park	47,249.99	51,656.72	—	—	42,525.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	149,246.99	
Whitehall	27,620.20	50,627.44	—	—	29,921.88	—	—	—	—	59,843.77	—	—	—	—	168,013.29	
County of Muskegon	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,182.05	—	1,182.05	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1,907,864.67</b>	<b>2,050,648.86</b>	<b>140,123.33</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>2,486,115.49</b>	<b>75,429.18</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>1,586,916.17</b>	<b>93.41</b>	<b>3,012.92</b>	<b>25,300.34</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>8,289,490.33</b>	
															<b>13,985.96</b>	

Respectfully Submitted  
 APPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE  
 Baker, Cross and Stone

Valuation as Assessed

Valuation as Equalized

Townships	Real	Per soral	Total	Total	Percent
Blue Lake	\$ 613,720	\$ 35,000	\$ 648,720	\$ 783,831	.24651
Casnovia	1,509,700	314,930	1,824,630	2,483,958	.78117
Cedar Creek	564,393	88,097	652,490	1,115,850	.35092
Dalton	2,346,555	201,204	2,547,759	3,544,759	1.11478
Egelston	1,624,725	200,575	1,825,300	2,956,551	.92980
Fruitland	2,285,325	98,095	2,383,420	4,248,319	1.33604
Fruitport	4,030,250	583,241	4,613,491	6,090,467	1.91538
Holton	822,875	177,943	1,000,818	1,311,536	.41246
Laketon	2,449,850	86,475	2,536,325	3,342,903	1.05130
Montague	1,554,675	1,238,800	2,793,475	3,532,436	1.11091
Moorland	829,700	130,850	960,550	1,528,368	.48065
Muskegon	23,291,233	5,108,564	28,399,797	37,784,346	11.88271
Norton	13,774,335	1,312,200	15,086,535	20,272,334	6.37540
Ravenna	1,641,175	332,880	1,974,055	2,899,814	.91196
Sullivan	700,265	108,720	808,985	972,909	.30597
Whitehall	174,050	33,950	208,000	279,810	.08800
White River	913,710	60,095	973,805	1,188,385	.37373
<b>TOTAL TOWNSHIPS</b>	<b>\$ 59,126,536</b>	<b>\$ 10,111,619</b>	<b>\$ 69,238,155</b>	<b>\$ 94,336,576</b>	<b>29.66769</b>

CITIES

Montague	\$ 1,692,950	\$ 252,400	\$ 1,945,350	\$ 2,903,585	.91314
Muskegon	74,996,175	44,237,875	119,234,050	149,052,206	46.87509
Muskegon Heights	23,968,300	15,045,750	39,014,050	50,523,410	15.83899
North Muskegon	5,195,550	441,875	5,637,425	8,683,302	2.73079
Roosevelt Park	3,374,900	2,062,650	5,437,550	7,874,999	2.47659
Whitehall	3,621,210	981,275	4,602,485	4,603,367	1.44771
<b>TOTAL CITIES</b>	<b>\$112,849,085</b>	<b>\$ 63,021,825</b>	<b>\$175,870,910</b>	<b>\$223,640,869</b>	<b>70.33231</b>

TOTAL COUNTY

<b>TOTAL COUNTY</b>	<b>\$171,975,621</b>	<b>\$ 73,133,444</b>	<b>\$245,109,065</b>	<b>\$317,977,445</b>	<b>100.00000</b>
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Given under my hand and the Seal of the State Tax Commission in the City of Lansing, this 13th day of July, A.D. 1954.

Received July 14, 1954.

STATE TAX COMMISSION  
L. M. Nims, Chairman

ANNUAL REPORT  
OF  
MUSKEGON COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSIONER

## ANNUAL REPORT OF COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSIONER

To the Board of Supervisors of the County of Muskegon, State of Michigan.

Gentlemen. In compliance with the provisions of Sec. XI of Chapter II of Act N . 316, of the Public Acts of 1923, I have the honor to submit my Annual Report as County Drain Commissioner of said County of Muskegon covering the period from the First day of January A.D. 1954 to the First day of October A.D. 1954.

I. The following named Drains are unfinished.

<u>Drain</u>	<u>Progress</u>
Aue	No petition
Chaddock	Injunction
Ellis	Right-of-way
Simonelli	Injunction
Fairfield*	Petition
Paulson	Right-of-way
Round Marsh	Right-of-way
Rozebocm	Planning
Ruddiman Creek Drain No. 51	Final Estimate
Matthews	Inspection report
Canada	Under construction
Bailey	Contract letting
Peterson Ahlert	Engineering
Tidicute	Welfare Crew

II. The following work has been completed.

Robinson	Clean cut completed
Matthews	Clean out completed
Orchard Grove	Catch basins
Ruddiman Creek No. 51	To final estimate

III. The following named Drains have been begun by me, during the year and are partly completed, not all are established, to-wit:

<u>Applications for Drain</u>	<u>Progress</u>
Barnes	Not returned
Ruddiman Creek No. 51	Final estimate
Daly	Not returned
Ensley and Hall Road	Not returned
Gomery's*	Planning
Tidioute	Welfare Crew
Ackerberg	Field Work
Fairfield*	Planning
Canada	Under Construction
Bailey	Contract letting
Peterson Ahlert	Engineering
Lau & new addition	Planning
Rozeboom	Planning
Henry St. - Laketon to Sherman	Planning

\*It is proposed that the Fairfield and Gomery Drainage Districts be consolidated and become one district.

I do hereby certify, that the above embraces a full and true report of all the Drains constructed, finished, or begun under my supervision, or applied for during the year now ending October 1, A.D. 1954 and that the financial statement of each drain, submitted herewith is true and correct.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Dated at Muskegon, Michigan

This 18th day of October, A.D. 1954.

Patrick J. Buckley  
County Drain Commissioner  
Muskegon County, Michigan

## ANNUAL REPORT OF COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSIONER

Revolving Drain Fund  
October 1, 1954

<u>NAME OF DRAIN</u>	<u>DEBIT</u>	<u>CREDIT</u>	<u>PROGRESS</u>
	\$	\$	
Aue	340.00		No petition
Bailey	8.50		Under Const.
Big & Outlet	629.26		Not charged
Canada	763.50		Under Const.
Chaddock	167.25		Injunction
Dirkes Drain Branch No. 1			
Branch No. 2	274.47		Tax spread
Erickson	304.98		Ass. Roll Er.
Ellis	700.35		Right of way
Fairfield	1,190.50		Planning
Gomery	150.00		Planning
Little Cedar Creek	144.00		Taxes
Marion	7.59		Taxes
Matthews	56.70		Under Const.
Nelson	14.44		Taxes
Oak Park	24.39		Taxes
Paulson	362.62		Right of way
Robinson	194.75		Under const.
Round Marsh	495.60		Right of way
Rozeboom	204.51		Planning
Ruddiman Valley No. 3	4,896.68		Tax spread
Siminelli	249.94		Injunction
Smith Mulder	701.25		Taxes
Waldorf	4.00		Taxes
Walsworth	4.00		Taxes
Washburn	75.67		Taxes
Westover	2.80		Taxes
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$11,968.75</b>		

DRAIN FUND BALANCES  
As of October 1, 1954

<u>NAME OF DRAIN</u>	<u>DEBIT</u>	<u>CREDIT</u>
	\$	\$
Anderson		11.02
August Anderson		11.53
Artebury		2.04
Bailey		229.62
Barnes		21.68
Bartholomew		3.34
Becker		57.09
Bell		134.15
Benson		926.65
Brandstrom		4.73
Bridgeton - Cedar Creek		1.41
Bussing		.35
Carlson	132.65	
Crockery Creek		337.18
Canada		87.28
Casnovia Tyrone		11.87
Dole		166.13
Dolph		.81
Fred Dow		115.88
Dry		188.37
Eadie		271.65
Erickson	207.87	
Farkas		97.30
Folsom		4.66
Four Mile Creek		112.53
Greiner		59.13
Hansen		51.50
Holland		60.93
Humphrey		4.86
Johnson		81.97
Kent		141.15
Kent-Muskegon Inter Co.		64.90
Kinne		183.71
Klever		81.97
Knudson		.94
Kuis		43.35
Lawrence		80.52
Little Black Lake		296.51
Lewis		193.41
Markle		6.28
Martin		134.03
Matthews		15.70
Montague		538.99
Muskegon - Newaygo		545.89
Norris Creek		4.07
Orchard Grove		1,385.51

## Drain Fund Balances Cont'd.....

<u>NAME OF DRAIN</u>	<u>DEBIT</u>	<u>CREDIT</u>
	\$	\$
Parent		4.15
Partridge		8.71
Peters		.06
Pett		.58
Porter	97.69	
Ribe		3.25
Robinson		572.69
Roosevelt Park		16.97
Rozeboom		31.23
Ruddiman Valley Dr. 3		985.59
Ruddiman Valley Dr. 3 Redemption		2,070.39
Ruddiman Creek		2,170.46
Rudd. Creek No. 51, construction		182,889.44
Rudd. Creek No 51, Redemption		25,084.92
Rupor, Tony		13.07
Scott Waters		1,350.06
Stafford		1.77
Stewart		281.42
Seider		34.90
Slater	115.79	
Smith Mulder		926.40
Taylor		1.80
Thompson, Clyde		11.97
Truman		82.07
Turtle	.65	
Tupper		149.91
Wilsie		1.43
Witham		.78
Wells		374.70
Wooley Marsh		18.04
Washburn		504.64
TOTAL	\$ 554.65	\$223,363.99

Gentlemen:

On the 30th day of October 1953, the then Auditor General, John B. Martin sent a communication to William P. Johnson, the then Chairman of the Muskegon County Board of Supervisors, in a state wide effort to liquidate the deficits in Individual Drain and Revolving Drain Fund accounts. In the Auditor General's communication he also gave six causes for long standing drain deficits, and specifically stated that there is no statute provided to collect all of the deficits. He also suggested legislation that would permit the spreading of tax to liquidate the deficits.

While there are twenty-six deficits in the Revolving Drain Fund and five in the Individual Drain Fund, in my opinion, there are only seven drains in the Revolving Drain Fund and one drain in the Individual Drain Fund, relative to the Auditor General's communication.

#### Revolving Drain Fund Deficits

Erickson	\$304.98
Little Cedar Creek	144.00
Nelson	14.44
Oak Park	25.39
Waldorf	4.00
Walsworth	4.00
Westover	2.80

The rest of the Revolving Drain Fund deficits listed in this report should eventually liquidate themselves.

Erickson Drain Revolving Drain Fund	\$304.98
Individual Drain Fund	207.87

A detail statement of the Erickson Drain showing both its Revolving Fund and Individual Fund is herein set forth on a separate sheet of this Annual Report.

The final statement shows that the amount \$1,067.10 was the intended two year tax spread, 1945 and 1946. A search of the County Clerk's "Drain Special Assessment Rolls" file does not contain a drain special assessment roll for the Erickson Drain for the year 1946. Nor does the minutes of the Board of Supervisors for the year 1946, show that the Erickson Drain Special Assessment Roll was ordered spread. The County Treasurer's office has no cause to keep drain special assessment rolls on file. As a result of the search made, a logical deduction would be that the Erickson Drain special assessment roll for 1946 was never filed to be presented to the Board of Supervisors so that it may have been spread. I do believe this is what happened. How can this tax be collected? There is nothing in the Auditor General's communication that covers a situation such as this. I suggest this be referred to the Prosecuting Attorney's office for an opinion on the matter.

Erickson Drain  
\$1,067.10 (two year tax spread)

For materials	Drain Order No. 132	\$ 52.11
For materials	Drain Order No. 130	54.99
For construction	Drain Order No. 143	280.00
For construction	Drain Order No. 144	280.00
Revolving Drain Fund		304.98

		Orders Paid	Tax Collections	Balance
		\$	\$	\$
3/29/46	T.V. 1855		133.39	
4/29/46	Drain Order No. 132	52.11		81.28
	Interest on above	.13		81.15
4/30/46	Drain Order No. 143	80.00		1.15
	Interest on above	.20		.95
10/26/46	T.V. 1906		103.54	104.49
12/12/46	Drain Order No. 143	100.00		4.49
	Interest on above	4.00		.49
4/25/47	T.V. 1957		70.03	70.52
4/9/47	Drain Order No. 143	65.00		5.52
	Interest on above	3.90		1.62
4/15/47	Drain Order No. 130	54.99		53.37*
10/20/47	Drain Order No. 143	35.00		88.37*
	Interest on above	3.18		91.55*
10/7/47	T.V. 1993		102.54	10.99
10/8/48	Drain Order No. 144	280.00		269.01*
	Interest on above	24.92		293.93*
10/24/50	T.V. 2314		86.06	207.87*

\*Deficit

	Revolving Drain Fund Deficit	DEBIT
3/3/44	Probate Court Fee	\$ 1.25
3/22/44	Board of Determination	12.00
3/23/44	Muskegon Chronicle	10.48
3/3/44	Lumber Co. Stakes	4.00
3/21/44	Lumber Co. Stakes	2.00
5/2/44	Survey	110.00
9/25/44	Muskegon Chronicle	.70
9/28/44	Printing	42.56
2/8/45	P.M.R.R. Co.	79.99
5/24/45	M.M. Buck	40.00
6/6/47	M.M. Buck	20.00
		<u>\$ 304.98</u>

Oak Park Drain \$25.39  
 Application Sept. 3rd, 1943  
 Center Street, Muskegon Township

On the 25th day of October 1943, at Oak Park and Center Street, Muskegon Township, a Board of Determination meeting was held and determined that the said Oak Park Drain as petitioned for was not necessary.

I suggest this be spread against the County At Large, as provided by the Auditor General's communication.

Nelson Drain, Revolving Drain Fund \$14.44  
 Construction 1943

Westover Drain, Revolving Drain Fund \$2.80  
 Construction 1948

It appears the cause for the deficiency in the above listed drain accounts, is that the actual cost of construction was greater than the computation of cost which left the individual Drain Funds short of enough monies to be transferred to the Revolving Drain Fund to liquidate all of these liabilities.

Little Cedar Creek \$144.00  
 Maintenance 1946

Waldorf Drain, Revolving Drain Fund \$4.00  
 Maintenance 1943

Walsworth Drain, Revolving Drain Fund \$4.00  
 Maintenance 1943

It appears the cause for the deficit in the above listed drain accounts, is that money was spent out of the Revolving Drain Fund without any money in the Individual Drain Funds of the above listed drains. Consequently no money could be transferred back to the Revolving Drain Fund to liquidate the deficit. The reason for pointing out and stating the deficits in the Nelson, Westover, Little Cedar Creek, Waldorf, and Walsworth Drain, is that the accounts have been in deficit so long that the Auditor General's office might interpret this condition as being a lack of desire by the County of not wanting to liquidate these deficits, which is not true. If these above mentioned drains are left in deficit there is no reason why they also should not liquidate themselves as an item in the computation of cost of future construction.

Again I wish to suggest that the Board of Supervisors obtain a legal opinion on the question whether or not the 1946 Special Drain Assessment Roll of the Erickson Drain can be spread at this late date. I believe it would be proper and in keeping with the Auditor General's communication and as provided by law that the deficit in the Oak Park Drain of \$25.39 be spread against the County at Large to liquidate this deficit. The application presented to establish this drain was not permitted and by the development in the area where the drain was applied for it appears there will be no need for this drain.

SUMMARY OF BOARD OF EDUCATION FUND  
January 1, 1954 to December 31, 1954

FUND BALANCE - January 1, 1954		\$2,326.30
REVENUE:		
<u>State Aid:</u>		
County Normal (Ottawa County's share - \$3000.00)	\$6000.00	
Visiting and Helping Teachers and Speech Correctionists	\$4927.29	
Collections From Schools:		
Textbooks	\$10,869.51	
Visual Education	1,978.25	
Equipment for Schools	674.40	
Auditing of Books (Financial)	407.57	
Tests	975.52	
Miscellaneous Refunds	837.98	
Eighth Grade Graduation	<u>232.97</u>	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		\$26,853.49
CREDIT TRANSFERS:		
County Appropriation		<u>\$52,419.00</u>
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE		\$81,598.79
DISBURSEMENTS:		
<u>I General Control</u>	<u>\$4,832.04</u>	\$4,832.04
<u>II Personnel</u>		
Salaries:		
Administrative salaries and mileage	\$41,069.25	
Clerical	<u>11,340.54</u>	
		\$52,410.11
<u>III Professional Services</u>	<u>\$4,069.44</u>	\$4,069.44
<u>IV Supplies and Materials</u>	<u>\$4,782.84</u>	\$4,782.84
<u>V Equipment and Maintenance</u>	<u>\$976.07</u>	\$976.07

<u>VI Equipment Purchased for Schools</u>	<u>\$2605.46</u>	\$2,605.46
<u>VII Textbooks</u>	<u>\$10,544.85</u>	\$10,544.85
<u>VIII Visual Education</u>	<u>\$1,041.87</u>	\$1,041.87
<u>IX Miscellaneous</u>	<u>\$328.77</u>	\$328.77
<u>X County Normal (Ottawa County Share)</u>	<u>\$3,000.00</u>	\$3,000.00
<u>XI Band Clinic</u>	<u>\$41.27</u>	\$41.27
<u>XII Speech Correction</u>	<u>\$64.12</u>	\$64.12
 TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS		 \$84,696.84
 FUND BALANCE - December 31, 1954		 (Red) \$3,098.05

(Treasurer's office shows a balance of \$3201.78. This includes an overpayment of \$100.00 which should have been deducted from Institute Fund and an over-payment of \$3.73 to Michigan Hospital Service.)

## CLASSIFICATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Muskegon County  
1953-54

A.	Primary School Districts (Three member boards)	43
B.	Graded School Districts	15
	Egelston No. 1    Muskegon No. 2    Norton No. 2-F	
	Egelston No. 4    Muskegon No. 8    Norton No. 3	
	Fruitport No. 5    Muskegon No. 9    Norton No. 4	
	Holton No. 5        North Muskegon    Norton No. 6-F	
	Muskegon No. 1    Norton No. 1-F    Ravenna No. 1	
C.	Rural Agricultural School Districts	5
	Fruitport No. 3        Montague	
	Muskegon No. 5        Whitehall	
	Muskegon No. 7-F	
D.	Township School Districts	1
	Laketon	
E.	Third Class School Districts	1
	Muskegon Heights	
F.	Second Class School Districts	0
G.	First Class School Districts	0
H.	Special Act School Districts	1
	Muskegon	
	<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>66</b>

NUMBER OF TEACHING POSITIONS

1953-54

A.	Elementary Grades Kindergarten through six or eight	710
B.	Secondary (High Schools) Grades seven through twelve	346
	Grand Total	1056

NUMBER OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS EXCEEDING  
THE FIFTEEN MILL TAX LIMITATION ACT

1953-54

No. of School Districts		66
No. of School Districts Exceeding Fifteen Mill Tax Limitation Act		28
Percent of School Districts exceeding Fifteen Mill Tax Limitation Act		42.2%
Range of Tax increase		4 to 30 mills

SOURCE AND AMOUNT OF MAJOR REVENUE RECEIPTS  
1953-54

Local

Current Tax Collections	\$1,905,693.15
Delinquent Tax Collection	<u>131,017.10</u>
Total	\$2,036,710.25

State

Primary School Interest Fund	\$847,588.75
Sales Tax	1,006,058.72
State Aid	2,619,258.87
Miscellaneous	<u>66,676.74</u>
Total	\$4,539,583.08
GRAND TOTAL	\$6,576,293.33

Percentage of local funds	31%
Percentage of state funds	69%

NUMBER OF ELEMENTARY, SECONDARY  
AND  
CLOSED SCHOOL DISTRICTS

A. Closed School Districts		4
Blue Lake No. 1-F	Moorland No. 6	
Casnovia No. 2-F	Ravenna No. 3	
B. Elementary School Districts		55
(Operating Grades Kindergarten through six or eight)		
C. Secondary School Districts		7
(Operating Grades Kindergarten through twelve or fourteen)		
Muskegon City (K-14)	Montague R. A.	
Muskegon Heights City	Ravenna No. 1	
North Muskegon City	Whitehall R. A.	
Holton No. 5		
	Total	66

TOTAL GENERAL FUND CURRENT DISBURSEMENTS  
BY SCHOOL ACCOUNTING CLASSIFICATION  
1953-54

Total Current Disbursements		\$6,639,767.72
		<u>Percent of Total Disbursements:</u>
Administrative	\$293,209.78	4.415
Instruction (including salaries, tuition, teaching supplies, textbooks)	\$4,813,736.70	72.498
Operation of School Plant	\$776,619.88	11.699
Maintenance of School Plant	\$358,127.16	5.393
Fixed Charge (Insurance, rents)	60,765.56	.915
Auxiliary Services (Transportation, Health services, recreation)	\$337,308.64	5.080
Total	\$6,639,767.72	100.00

MUSKEGON COUNTY SCHOOL TAX LEVIES AND COLLECTIONS

March 1, 1954

General Operating

Current Tax 1953 Levy	Current Tax 1953 Collections	Per Cent of Collection March 1, 1954
\$2,088,050.25	\$1,905,693.15	91.2%
	<u>Debt Service</u>	
\$974,895.80	\$749,345.21	76.8%
	<u>Building and Site</u>	
\$731,140.74	\$695,486.42	95.1%
	<u>Grand Total All Levies and Collections</u>	
\$3,794,086.79	\$3,350,524.78	88.3%

MUSKOGEE COUNTY SCHOOL CENSUS

June 1, 1954

Birth-4

	<u>Under 1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>5-19 Total</u>
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Blue Lake

Casnovia

1-F	6	9	6	5	4	30	7	4	6	3	2	2	2	2	5	2	3	5	3	2	3	3	51
1	6	8	9	5	7	35	3	7	4	4	3	10	2	3	2	5	1	0	1	5	1	1	51
1-F	4	2	2	0	3	11	3	4	2	2	3	3	5	3	4	0	2	1	4	3	0	0	39
2	4	1	3	5	5	19	1	2	4	3	3	3	1	1	4	2	0	3	0	3	1	1	31
2-F	0	4	1	2	2	9	1	2	3	1	2	3	4	4	1	0	2	1	3	1	2	0	30
3	3	6	5	3	7	24	5	9	7	6	6	9	4	10	3	9	5	9	4	7	0	0	93
44	3	4	5	3	2	17	1	3	3	3	1	3	2	5	2	0	3	1	2	1	0	0	30
4-F	6	5	5	6	3	25	2	6	2	2	4	7	3	2	4	2	3	5	1	2	1	1	46
5	4	2	4	3	7	20	4	3	3	6	8	2	3	4	6	4	5	5	5	2	2	1	61
5-F	1	5	3	5	1	15	4	5	6	1	3	2	3	5	1	5	3	4	2	2	2	1	46
7	7	3	2	3	4	19	5	3	2	6	6	4	3	5	1	2	3	4	7	4	3	1	46
	39	40	39	35	41	194	29	44	36	34	39	46	30	40	31	27	27	31	29	30	10	10	481

Cedar Creek

1-F	1	7	6	2	2	18	3	9	1	2	5	4	2	3	5	0	6	6	5	4	5	5	60
2&3	2	20	9	10	7	48	10	13	8	6	7	12	5	7	8	4	1	4	3	0	4	5	93
4	5	3	11	6	6	31	8	4	4	8	3	4	5	4	3	0	3	1	1	2	2	2	52
5-F	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	2	3	2	4	2	1	2	1	2	2	2	1	0	0	25
	8	30	26	18	17	99	21	27	15	19	17	24	14	15	18	5	12	13	11	7	12	12	230

Dalton

2-F	34	29	35	39	36	173	32	26	39	23	24	25	16	22	16	13	17	17	11	16	9	9	306
4	16	18	16	14	16	80	22	17	16	19	13	12	19	11	8	10	16	9	9	5	8	8	194
	50	47	51	53	52	253	54	43	55	42	37	37	35	33	24	23	33	26	20	21	17	17	500

Egelston

1	85	118	92	100	93	488	112	99	98	74	68	80	84	63	58	66	43	42	35	42	16	16	980
2	21	12	23	18	24	98	18	20	17	18	18	12	15	13	13	7	9	6	9	11	5	5	191
3	20	18	18	21	24	101	19	20	22	8	13	9	11	11	7	13	6	10	5	6	4	4	164
4	53	39	52	55	48	247	52	38	40	34	30	34	30	27	27	29	29	22	28	15	16	16	451
	179	187	185	194	189	924	201	177	177	154	159	155	140	114	105	115	87	80	77	74	41	41	1786

Fruitland

1-F	24	22	16	21	21	104	28	23	29	16	18	20	21	18	19	14	17	18	11	8	7	7	267
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Birch-4

5-19

Total

	Under 1	1	2	3	4	Total	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	Total
<u>Fruitport</u>																						
3	117	136	110	101	141	605	118	118	116	90	76	103	104	83	92	85	72	81	58	58	43	1297
5	88	70	79	77	68	382	74	79	79	51	65	41	62	52	43	37	44	35	28	33	27	750
	205	206	189	178	209	987	192	197	195	141	141	144	166	135	135	122	116	116	86	91	70	2047
<u>Holton</u>																						
2-F	5	2	7	2	2	18	5	6	5	5	6	8	4	5	6	8	1	4	2	2	1	68
3-F	2	2	7	1	2	14	4	6	9	3	6	3	6	2	7	4	3	5	3	3	3	67
4	10	4	8	3	6	31	9	4	12	7	3	2	5	3	4	3	2	3	4	3	2	66
5	19	17	20	27	19	102	20	19	26	24	17	18	19	14	20	16	13	18	16	14	15	269
	36	25	42	33	29	165	38	35	52	39	32	31	34	24	37	31	19	30	25	22	21	470
<u>Laketon</u>																						
	91	114	110	126	111	552	105	120	127	68	83	88	87	81	70	81	55	53	54	36	33	1141
<u>Montague</u>																						
	69	77	78	87	64	375	65	77	72	64	55	72	73	71	58	60	58	62	45	36	45	1913
<u>Moorland</u>																						
1	5	5	2	4	7	23	6	3	7	2	1	7	3	3	4	3	4	5	2	8	5	63
2	7	6	3	3	3	22	1	1	1	3	4	5	1	1	4	1	1	2	1	2	3	31
3	3	3	6	3	4	19	4	3	5	7	5	4	4	5	5	4	3	6	3	2	1	61
3-F	3	3	3	4	4	17	3	4	4	6	4	6	3	6	7	2	6	4	4	3	2	64
4	5	2	3	4	7	25	9	6	9	5	5	9	6	7	4	6	7	6	3	3	1	86
5	8	3	3	7	6	27	4	3	3	4	3	6	5	3	4	5	3	3	5	3	1	60
6	1	1	0	2	4	8	2	4	3	1	2	3	3	2	1	0	2	0	1	1	2	27
	32	23	20	31	35	141	29	24	32	28	24	40	25	27	34	21	26	26	19	22	15	392
<u>Muskegon</u>																						
1	162	179	149	141	155	786	153	148	140	94	103	97	105	111	73	69	58	71	48	61	36	1367
2	94	93	100	83	73	443	90	83	71	69	60	44	56	45	56	31	32	34	38	21	23	753
5	110	113	97	89	96	505	84	94	103	59	67	73	74	55	69	43	46	42	43	29	34	915
7-F	52	71	86	73	79	361	80	79	80	64	52	63	58	43	49	56	42	42	40	33	23	804
8	45	61	54	54	44	258	60	60	50	27	34	35	44	33	36	21	24	28	17	20	12	501
9	29	32	38	40	29	168	37	33	24	19	22	21	30	22	15	13	9	9	11	8	6	283
	492	549	524	480	476	2521	504	497	468	332	338	333	367	309	298	233	215	226	197	172	134	4623
<u>North Muskegon</u>																						
	57	62	46	63	72	300	57	52	79	59	69	68	59	70	53	50	39	42	47	43	40	827

Births

Under 1 1 2 2 3 4 Total 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 Total

Norton	87	84	85	91	85	60	66	76	55	61	54	62	47	51	49	52	31	34	36	25	759
1	87	100	97	81	80	92	90	93	72	55	59	66	68	51	49	34	41	27	31	18	846
2-F	56	65	62	72	62	63	77	79	53	60	44	62	54	37	31	38	30	32	16	18	694
3	80	91	89	104	93	83	96	100	70	65	67	64	55	42	51	48	38	26	24	31	860
4	21	28	29	19	26	22	22	24	23	14	15	17	13	16	17	15	15	12	12	13	250
5	97	108	106	95	98	92	89	106	67	65	74	84	66	77	60	61	56	47	45	24	1013
6-F	16	10	15	8	12	21	17	14	11	8	15	18	9	9	10	15	13	9	6	13	189
7	444	486	483	470	456	493	457	493	351	328	328	373	312	283	267	263	224	187	170	142	4611

Ravenna	20	27	26	27	29	19	22	21	25	28	14	18	16	17	11	19	15	12	16	5	258
1	1	5	4	2	2	1	1	3	4	4	3	5	3	3	4	2	4	6	1	0	44
1-F	5	2	5	4	4	4	3	5	2	3	4	2	4	7	1	5	3	0	2	2	47
2	9	4	8	7	2	3	3	4	7	1	3	4	2	3	1	4	2	3	1	1	42
3	5	2	0	3	0	3	4	1	2	1	4	4	3	1	5	1	2	2	4	4	41
4	8	5	5	7	5	3	7	3	0	3	4	6	2	4	0	4	2	3	1	3	45
5	0	4	2	3	3	5	3	3	5	3	6	5	4	3	4	0	1	2	3	1	48
6	48	49	52	53	45	38	43	40	45	43	38	44	34	38	26	35	29	28	28	16	525

Sullivan	3	9	6	9	7	2	7	4	9	6	7	8	7	3	6	2	5	4	3	4	77
1	17	7	9	5	10	13	14	10	7	13	7	6	14	6	7	1	4	6	6	3	117
2-F	5	3	4	0	5	5	2	4	2	0	4	2	1	2	1	5	3	3	1	2	37
3-F	4	4	3	4	5	5	3	5	10	8	3	6	6	5	4	7	6	3	4	1	76
4-F	24	23	22	18	27	25	26	23	28	27	21	22	28	16	18	15	18	16	14	10	307

Whitehall	127	152	136	135	127	677	129	135	91	117	100	122	99	82	79	78	85	72	67	41	1417
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White River	6	2	4	3	5	9	4	3	1	5	4	2	0	3	2	4	2	3	3	0	45
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Grand Total	Under 1	1942	1942	2103	2103	2029	2003	1980	4	Births-4	Grand Total	10057	20633	5-19	Grand Total	20633
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Grand Total	1955	1979	2037	1495	1504	1531	1616	1412	1412	1309	1176	1102	1084	930	846	657
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INITIAL ENROLLMENT BY GRADES

September 1954

	Kg	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	Total
<u>Casnovia</u>											
1	4	4	3	3	2	8	2	3			26
1-F	3	4	1	3	2	3	3	3			22
2	3	1	5	2	4	2	3				20
3	6	8	8	6	6	7	8	8	3		60
4	1	5	1	4	0	5	4	2			22
4-F	5	3	4	1	4	3	5				25
5	7	3	3	3	4	8	3				31
5-F	1	3	5	3	1	4	4				17
7	2	6	3	5	4	7	2				29
											252
<u>Cedar Creek</u>											
1-F	5	4	4	0	5	6	3	1			28
2&3	2	5	6	4	4	6	4				31
4	6	6	2	5	10	2	6				37
5-F	2	1	6	3	4	3	5	2			26
											122
<u>Dalton</u>											
2-F	32	37	28	28	30	30	21				206
4	20	22	15	16	12	12	15	13			125
											331
<u>Egelston</u>											
1	107	108	107	76	90	66	95	78			727
2	14	21	19	23	13	18	12	12	14		146
3	18	19	21	17	8	11	13	14	8		129
4	51	43	38	32	25	38	33	18	33		311
											1313
<u>Fruitland</u>											
	27	24	31	17	23	16	22				160
<u>Fruitport</u>											
3	142	125	129	82	92	86	107	86	84	78	1011
5	60	85	76	61	67	63	51	53	26		542
											1553



	Kgn	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	Total
<u>Sullivan</u>											
1 - Sullivan	3	7	5	6	7	4	11	11	5		32
2 - Updyke	15	9	13	10	7	8					89
3-F - Wood	4	4	2	3	0	0	2	2			17
4-F - Copper	4	6	7	7	10	5	5	6	2		52
											190
<u>White River</u>											
1 - Mouth	6	6	3	3	3	5	0	3			29
Total	1675	1665	1640	1330	1187	1230	1268	825	692	78	11590

HIGH SCHOOLS

	Kgn.	1st.	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th	Others	Total
Holton	42	43	41	31	34	40	25	40	41	41	32	27	20		444
Montague	74	92	66	59	65	72	67	72	58	92	84	72	50		900
North Muskegon	71	53	65	65	55	62	70	62	66	154	124	117	84	17	1062
Ravenna	30	26	18	22	24	37	15	49	49	78	61	49	36		466
Whitehall	134	122	118	126	105	131	120	131	94	81	88	85	62		1379
Muskegon Heights	493	446	361	342	268	341	334	341	299	432	409	306	247		4530
Muskegon	802	770	766	603	611	692	476	712	626	795	712	587	454		8445
Total	1646	1552	1435	1248	1162	1375	1107	1375	1233	1673	1510	1243	953	17	17226
Grand Total	3321	3217	3075	2578	2349	2200	2375	2200	1925	1751	1510	1243	953	17	28816

COUNTY OF TUSCUMBO

SUMMARY OF 1954 GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES

Department	Budget	Expenditures	Balance
Addressograph	\$6,826.00	\$4,780.96	\$2,045.04
Agriculture	16,944.00	12,863.80	4,080.20
Animal Shelter	23,600.00	19,304.65	4,295.35
Board of Supervisors	20,900.00	20,770.52	129.48
Burial of War Veterans	7,000.00	5,100.00	1,900.00
Capital Improvements	15,400.00	11,868.54	3,531.46
Circuit Court	67,021.00	56,711.92	10,309.08
Clerk	34,814.00	30,790.15	4,023.85
Contagious Disease	20,000.00	17,980.69	2,019.31
Controller	23,584.00	19,867.92	3,716.08
Coroners	7,700.00	4,981.42	2,718.58
Court House	22,961.00	22,205.69	755.31
Drain Commissioner	6,901.00	6,037.27	863.73
Elections	9,000.00	15,237.18	6,237.18 OD
Friend of the Court	22,559.00	19,751.64	2,807.36
Hospitalization, Emergency	25,000.00	25,000.10	.10 OD
Justice Courts	17,750.00	14,787.13	2,962.87
Miscellaneous	34,860.37	28,314.07	6,046.30
Museum	5,000.00	5,000.00	-0-
Park Trustees	75.00	-0-	75.00
Probate	119,642.00	110,365.21	9,276.79
Prosecutor	33,708.00	30,299.23	3,408.77
Ravenna 4-H Fair	1,000.00	1,000.00	-0-
Register of Deeds	38,367.00	36,375.54	1,991.46
Sheriff	126,456.00	134,334.21	7,878.21 OD
Soldiers Relief Commission	850.00	849.94	.06
State Institutions	60,000.00	57,351.41	2,648.59
Tax Allocation	600.00	600.94	.94 OD
Treasurer	43,746.00	42,121.25	1,624.75
	<u>812,264.37</u>	<u>755,151.38</u>	<u>57,112.99</u>
<u>Transfers to other Funds</u>			
Airport Expansion	30,000.00	30,000.00	
Sanatorium	134,825.00	134,825.00	
Social Welfare	390,586.00	640,586.00	250,000.00 OD
Board of Education	52,419.00	52,419.00	
Civil Defense	5,000.00	5,000.00	
Employees Retirement	40,982.25	40,982.25	
Health Department	60,052.00	60,052.00	
Library	15,350.00	15,350.00	
Building Authority	10,000.00	10,000.00	
Parks	10,075.00	10,075.00	
Drain - County-at-large	34,000.00	35,773.84	1,773.84 OD
	<u>783,289.25</u>	<u>1,035,063.09</u>	
TOTAL	<u>1,595,553.62</u>	<u>1,790,214.47</u>	<u>194,660.85 OD</u>

MUSKEGON COUNTY

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance</u>
<u>Addressograph,</u>			
Salaries	\$3,836.00	\$3,794.12	\$ 41.88
Opr. Exp. Maint. Eqpt.	200.00	106.23	93.77
" " Frames, Plates etc.	550.00	467.08	82.92
Paper	1,950.00	379.63	1570.37
Telephone	15.00	1.40	13.60
New Equipment	275.00	32.50	242.50
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TOTAL	\$6,826.00	\$4,780.96	\$2,045.04

<u>Agriculture</u>				
Salaries	5,259.00	5,285.76	26.76	OD
Office Supplies & Prtg.	525.00	450.66	74.34	
Travel expense	2,000.00	2,383.38	383.38	OD
Maint. Bldg. & Grds (Ctr.)	500.00	231.87	268.13	
Maint. Office Eqpt.	50.00		50.00	
4-H Improvement	1,500.00		1,500.00	
Apiary	225.00	219.12	5.88	
C. E. & L. (Center)	125.00	16.42	108.58	
Forestry	350.00	303.00	47.00	
Freight & Express	50.00	15.66	34.34	
Fuel Oil (Center)	425.00	347.71	77.29	
Grasshopper Control	50.00		50.00	
Home Economics Ext.	1,800.00	424.63	1,375.37	
Junior Projects	2,500.00	2,128.14	371.86	
Lts, Gas & Wtr. (Center)	175.00	146.04	28.96	
Meeting, Demon., Delegate	225.00	223.81	1.19	
Postage	35.00	38.15	3.15	OD
Telephone	550.00	434.77	115.23	
Furn. & Office Eqpt	600.00	214.68	385.32	
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	\$16,944.00	\$12,863.80	\$4,080.20	

MUSKEGON COUNTY

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance</u>	
<u>Animal Shelter</u>				
Salaries	\$13,200.00	\$9,890.75	\$3,309.25	
Off. Supp., Prtg	250.00	348.70	98.70	OD
Car Allowance	-0-	35.28	35.28	OD
Elec. Sup. & Rep.	60.00	16.78	43.22	
Maint. Bldg. & Grds	650.00	485.46	164.54	
Maint Truck Opr.	900.00	1,611.38	711.38	OD
Plumbing & Heating	50.00	12.75	37.25	
Animal Disposal	260.00	235.00	25.00	
Ammunition	30.00	52.07	22.07	OD
C. T. & L.	175.00	207.60	32.60	OD
Dog Food	250.00	96.55	153.45	
Fuel	600.00	505.92	94.08	
Insurance - Trucks	300.00	124.52	175.48	
Lts-Gas-Wtr.	250.00	227.29	22.71	
Listing Dogs, Issuing license	3,500.00	3,073.60	426.40	
Livestock Claims	1,500.00	531.34	968.66	
Postage	50.00	52.00	2.00	OD
Telephone & Telegraph	200.00	170.77	29.23	
Uniforms	200.00	116.78	83.22	
Furn. & Equipt.	1,175.00	1,512.11	337.11	OD
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$23,600.00</u>	<u>\$19,304.65</u>	<u>\$4,295.35</u>	
<u>Board of Supervisors</u>				
Stenotypist	400.00	579.25	179.25	OD
Office Supplies	2,500.00	2,777.73	277.73	OD
Committee Meetings	10,000.00	10,258.34	258.34	OD
Board Meetings	6,000.00	5,381.78	618.22	
Travel Expense	2,000.00	1,773.42	226.58	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$20,900.00</u>	<u>20,770.52</u>	<u>129.48</u>	
<u>Bureau of War Veterans</u>				
Statutory Bureau Allowance	\$7,000.00	\$5,100.00	\$1,900.00	
<u>Capital Improvements</u>				
4-H Center	3,500.00	3,067.78	432.22	
Court House	2,500.00	1,282.50	1,217.50	
Treasurer's Vault Remodeling	5,000.00	3,926.84	1,073.16	
Probate Court	2,900.00	2,921.20	21.20	OD
Animal Shelter	1,500.00	670.22	829.78	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<u>\$15,400.00</u>	<u>\$11,868.54</u>	<u>\$3,531.46</u>	

MUSKEGON COUNTY

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Balance</u>	
<u>Circuit Court</u>				
Visiting Judge	\$ 400.00	\$ 335.60	\$ 64.40	
Attorney Fees	3,000.00	1,470.00	1,530.00	
Juror Fees	15,000.00	9,407.66	5,592.34	
Salaries, Judges	12,000.00	12,000.00	-0-	
Salaries, Department	25,586.00	26,028.56	442.56	OD
Steno Fees - Fox	1,250.00	815.80	434.20	
Steno Fees - Beers	1,250.00	213.95	1,036.05	
Witness Fees	3,500.00	1,093.35	2,406.65	
Off.Sup.-Prtg - Fox	750.00	1,053.32	303.32	OD
Off.Sup.-Prtg - Beers	750.00	1,113.27	363.27	OD
Travel Expense - Fox	150.00	92.61	57.39	
Travel Expense - Beers	150.00		150.00	
Equipment - Maintenance	100.00	40.60	59.40	
Commissioners - Supplies	50.00	88.07	38.07	OD
Convention (Ct.Reporter)	150.00		150.00	
Drawing Jury	75.00	24.00	51.00	
Freight- Express	10.00		10.00	
Meals - Jurors	400.00	275.50	124.50	
Postage	150.00	144.23	5.77	
Special Examinations	800.00	948.00	148.00	OD
Telephone - Fox	500.00	682.83	182.83	OD
Telephone - Beers	500.00	369.63	130.37	
Furniture & Equipment	500.00	514.94	14.94	OD
TOTAL	\$67,021.00	\$56,711.92	\$10,309.08	
<u>Clerk</u>				
Salary	6,000.00	6,000.00	-0-	
Salary - Department	20,544.00	17,007.84	3,536.16	
Office Supplies	4,000.00	3,247.72	752.28	
Rebinding Records	900.00	983.40	83.40	OD
Travel Expense	100.00	133.73	33.73	OD
Equipment - Maintenance	150.00	252.72	102.72	OD
Birth & Death Records	1,200.00	1,329.85	129.85	OD
Convention Expense	200.00	81.60	118.40	
Freight- Express	50.00	48.39	1.61	
Postage	500.00	322.81	177.19	
Telephone	850.00	735.55	114.45	
Furniture & Equipment	320.00	646.54	326.54	OD
TOTAL	\$34,814.00	\$30,790.15	\$4,023.85	
<u>Contageous Disease</u>				
Contageous	2,000.00	1,128.80	871.20	
Tuberculosis	18,000.00	16,851.89	1,148.11	
TOTAL	\$20,000.00	\$17,980.69	\$2,019.31	

MUSKEGON COUNTY

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>Balance</u>	
<u>Controller</u>				
Salaries	\$17,384.00	\$17,572.93	\$ 188.93	OD
Office Supplies	2,400.00	446.80	1,953.20	
Travel Expense	300.00		300.00	
Maintenance of Equipment	50.00	107.89	57.89	OD
Freight - Express	100.00	3.45	96.55	
Postage	100.00	176.76	76.76	OD
Telephone	350.00	432.66	82.66	OD
Wage Survey	600.00	74.80	525.20	
Central Stores	2,000.00	522.21	1,477.79	
Furniture & Equipment	300.00	492.56	192.56	OD
TOTAL	\$23,584.00	\$19,867.92	\$3,716.08	
<u>Coroners</u>				
Qualifying appropriation	\$ 7,700.00	\$ 4,981.42	\$2,718.58	
<u>Courthouse &amp; Grounds</u>				
Salaries	\$11,976.00	\$11,082.70	893.30	
Electrial Supplies	550.00	514.15	35.85	
Maintenance of Bldgs & Gr	2,000.00	2,218.58	218.58	OD
Equipment Maintenance	150.00	71.12	78.88	
Painting - Supplies	1,000.00	1,048.73	48.73	OD
Plumbing - Heating	900.00	563.91	336.09	
Renovate basement vaults	350.00	6.21	343.79	
" Reg. of Deeds "	-0-	47.79	47.79	O.D
C. T. & L.	800.00	1,280.61	480.61	OD
Freight - Express	150.00	30.60	119.40	
Fuel	1,600.00	1,248.25	351.75	
Lts - Gas - Water	2,600.00	3,230.84	630.84	OD
Telephone	85.00	119.50	34.50	OD
Equipment	800.00	742.70	57.30	
TOTAL	\$22,961.00	\$22,205.69	\$ 755.31	
<u>Drain Commissioner</u>				
Salary - Drain Comm.	3,500.00	3,504.00	4.00	OD
Salaries - Department	2,136.00	1,804.59	331.41	
Office Supplies - Prtg	100.00	59.75	40.25	
Car Allowance	600.00	387.11	212.89	
Equipment Maintenance	50.00	4.00	46.00	
Convention - Expense	100.00	-0-	100.00	
Postage	25.00	11.27	13.73	
Telephone	240.00	266.55	26.55	OD
Furn. & Equipment	150.00	-0-	150.00	
TOTAL	\$6,901.00	\$6,037.27	\$ 863.73	
<u>Elections</u>				
Expense	\$9,000.00	\$15,237.18	\$6,237.18	OD

MUSKEGON MICHIGAN

<u>Friend of the Court</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance</u>	
Salaries	\$17,974.00	\$15,955.50	\$2,018.50	
Office Supplies - Prtg	1,100.00	877.30	222.70	
Convention Expense	150.00	70.50	79.50	
Equipment Maintenance	50.00	53.00	3.00	OD
Bond Premium	35.00	35.00	-0-	
Postage	900.00	815.17	84.83	
Telephone	450.00	421.72	28.28	
Furn. & equipt.	300.00	222.82	77.18	
Car allowance	<u>1,600.00</u>	<u>1,300.63</u>	<u>299.37</u>	
TOTAL	\$22,559.00	\$19,751.64	\$2,807.36	

<u>Hospitalization - Emergency</u>				
Expense	\$25,000.00	\$25,000.10	.10	OD

<u>Justice Courts</u>				
Justice Fees	\$12,000.00	\$11,241.78	758.22	
Stenographer Fees	4,000.00	2,189.95	1,810.95	
Juror & Witness Fees	1,500.00	1,313.41	186.59	
Printing - Legal Forms	<u>250.00</u>	<u>42.89</u>	<u>207.11</u>	
TOTAL	\$17,750.00	\$14,787.13	\$2,962.87	

MUSKEGON MICHIGAN

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance</u>	
<u>Miscellaneous</u>				
Annex - Operating Expense	\$5,000.00	\$2,631.13	\$2,268.87	
Annex - Remodeling	618.96	2,636.80	2,017.84	OD
Bond - Twp. Treas.	2,000.00	2,060.60	60.60	OD
Contingent Account	1,109.66	761.69	347.97	
Flower Account	125.00	50.00	75.00	
B. I. E. Day	150.00	-0-	150.00	
Insurance - Gen. Form #1	5,000.00	1,524.78	3,475.22	
Insurance - Dep. Sheriffs	400.00	176.00	224.00	
Insurance - Compensation	1,500.00	1,448.16	51.84	
No. Soil Conservation Dist	500.00	500.00	-0-	
Other Funds - Transfers	-0-	1,113.10	1,113.10	OD
Postage - Gen. Additional	500.00	500.00	-0-	
Postage Meter Mach.-Rental	350.00	182.45	167.55	
State Savrs.Assoc. Fees	50.00	-0-	50.00	
Taxes - Homer Gravel Farm	50.00	116.27	66.27	OD
W. Mich. Tourist & Resort	500.00	500.00	-0-	
Twp. Clerks School	200.00	159.51	40.49	
Refunds	200.00	6.72	193.28	
Salvation Army	1,000.00	1,000.00	-0-	
Appraisal	-0-	1,624.53	1,624.53	OD
Crippled Children	1,000.00	-0-	1,000.00	
Safety Crusade	12,000.00	7,600.86	4,399.14	
Remodeling Cir. Ct.	2,606.75	4,121.47	1,514.72	OD
TOTAL	\$34,860.37	\$28,814.07	\$6,046.30	

Museum

County Appropriation	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	-0-
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Park Trustees

	\$ 75.00	-0-	\$ 75.00
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MUSKEGON MICHIGAN

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance</u>	
<u>Probate Court</u>				
Salary - Judge	\$11,000.00	\$11,000.09	\$ .09	OD
Salaries - Department	36,122.00	32,592.33	3,529.67	
Office Supplies	2,500.00	2,382.23	117.77	
Car allowance	1,000.00	1,359.93	359.93	OD
Equipment Maintenance	150.00	127.84	22.16	
Witness Fees	125.00	67.50	57.50	
Law Books	120.00	66.50	53.50	
Postage	500.00	352.54	147.46	
Restitution Account	300.00	-0-	300.00	
Convention expense	275.00	278.00	3.00	OD
Telephone	1,500.00	1,498.19	1.81	
Bd & Care of Children	60,000.00	54,987.19	5,012.81	
Child Guidance Clinic	3,500.00	3,500.00	-0-	
Medical Examinations	500.00	547.00	47.00	OD
Transportation of Insane	1,200.00	1,246.71	46.71	OD
Furn. & Equipment	850.00	329.16	490.84	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$119,642.00</b>	<b>\$110,365.21</b>	<b>\$9,276.79</b>	
<u>Prosecuting Attorney</u>				
Salary - Prosecutor	9,500.00	9,500.00	-0-	
Salaries - Department	16,308.00	15,537.87	720.13	
Office Supplies	600.00	382.41	217.59	
Travel Expense	200.00	11.76	188.24	
Travel - Pursuit & Arrest	3,000.00	1,747.03	1,252.97	
Equipment - Maintenance	50.00	69.58	19.58	OD
Convention - expense	200.00	170.00	30.00	
Investigation Fund	2,000.00	1,539.39	460.61	
Law Books	200.00	64.00	136.00	
Postage	50.00	53.41	3.41	O.D.
Prosecuting Atty. Course	150.00	-0-	150.00	
Telephone	600.00	798.56	198.56	OD
Furn. & Equipment	850.00	375.22	474.78	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$33,708.00</b>	<b>\$30,299.23</b>	<b>\$3,408.77</b>	
<u>Ravenna 4-H Fair</u>				
Appropriation	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	-0-	

## MUSKEGON COUNTY

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance</u>	
<u>Register of Deeds</u>				
Salary - Register of Deeds	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00	\$ -0-	
Salaries - Department	14,872.00	14,603.09	268.91	
Office Supplies	2,500.00	1,852.76	647.24	
Furn. & equipment	10,175.00	10,040.92	134.08	
Rep. binders & plats	750.00	614.50	135.50	
Trim libers	50.00	36.00	14.00	
Equipment Maintenance	100.00	121.75	21.75	OD
Convention expense	200.00	181.14	18.86	
Freight-express	20.00	5.14	14.86	
Photostat supplies	4,000.00	3,207.49	792.51	
Postage	300.00	285.72	14.28	
Telephone	400.00	427.03	27.03	OD
TOTAL	\$38,367.00	\$36,375.54	\$1,991.46	
<u>Sheriff</u>				
Salary - Sheriff	5,000.00	5,000.00	-0-	
Salaries - Department	84,111.00	85,202.15	1,091.15	OD
Jail Physician	1,500.00	1,725.00	225.00	OD
Office Supplies	1,100.00	986.89	113.11	
Car Allowance - Sheriff	800.00	699.65	100.35	
Travel - Pursuit & Arrest	600.00	1,143.28	543.28	OD
Electrical Supplies & Rep.	100.00	91.40	8.60	
Maintenance - Bldg & Grds	600.00	661.55	61.55	OD
Maintenance - Off. Eqpt.	100.00	58.06	41.94	
Opr.-Maint.-Patrol cars	7,000.00	10,917.48	3,917.48	OD
Maint. - Radio Eqpt.	400.00	315.12	84.88	
Plumbing - Heating	150.00	128.01	21.99	
Ammunition - Flares	100.00	120.27	20.27	OD
C. T. & L.	1,000.00	879.41	120.59	
Convention expense	150.00	455.25	305.25	OD
Food Supplies	7,500.00	8,130.77	630.77	OD
Freight - express	150.00	67.94	82.06	
Fuel	1,500.00	973.43	526.57	
Lt. Gas. Water	1,600.00	1,571.13	28.87	
Postage	200.00	134.98	65.02	
Radio service - City	1,800.00	1,501.50	298.50	
Insurance - Cars	600.00	576.39	23.61	
Rent Allowance	1,200.00	1,200.00	-0-	
Telephone	1,100.00	1,260.63	160.63	OD
Uniforms	1,100.00	1,471.79	371.79	OD
Finger Print Supplies	100.00	10.51	89.49	
Medical - Hospital	300.00	416.52	116.52	OD
Furn. & Equipment	2,995.00	3,977.66	,982.66	OD
Patrol cars	3,600.00	4,657.44	1,057.44	OD
	\$126,456.00	\$134,334.21	\$7,878.21	OD

MUSKEGON COUNTY

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance</u>	
<u>Soldiers Relief Commission</u>				
<u>Appropriation</u>	\$850.00	\$ 849.94	\$ .06	
<u>State Institutions</u>				
<u>Appropriation</u>	\$60,000.00	\$57,351.41	\$2,648.59	
<u>Tax Allocation Board</u>				
<u>Appropriation</u>	\$ 600.00	\$ 600.94	\$ .94	OD
<u>Treasurer</u>				
Salary-Treasurer	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	-0-	
Salaries - Department	32,876.00	32,498.48	377.52	
Office Supplies	3,000.00	2,908.56	91.44	
Car Allowance - Treas.	-0-	177.60	177.60	OD
Equipment Maintenance	200.00	97.62	102.38	
Advertising	15.00	16.40	1.40	OD
Convention expense	225.00	228.93	3.93	OD
Freight - Express	50.00	12.02	37.98	
Postage	600.00	418.62	181.38	
Telephone	600.00	476.12	123.88	
Furn. & Equipt.	1,180.00	286.90	893.10	
TOTAL	\$43,746.00	\$42,121.25	\$1,624.75	

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
Muskegon County  
Muskegon, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

Presented herewith is the seventeenth Annual Report of the Muskegon County Health Department.

A summary of the work done by the Staff of the Muskegon County Health Department during the year 1954 is submitted in this report.

More detailed information concerning the activities of the Health Department will be gladly given upon request.

Respectfully submitted

*Richard Sears*

Richard Sears, M.D. Director  
MUSKEGON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Financial Statement      -      1954

<u>Cash Available</u>	<u>Imprest Cash</u>	\$	10.00
	<u>Available Surplus</u>		15.75
	<u>State Funds</u>	4	328.57
	<u>Local Contribution</u>	60	052.00
	<u>Federal Allotment - Title VI</u>	6	402.50
	<u>Federal Allotment - Tuberculosis</u>	2	010.00
	<u>Federal Allotment - Cancer</u>		825.00
	<u>Federal Allotment - Maternal and Child Health</u>	2	700.00
	<u>Federal Allotment - Special Tubercu- losis Program</u>	1	500.62
	<u>Dental Clinic Receipts</u>		115.25
	<u>County Health Fund</u>		34.30
			\$77 993.99

<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>Salaries</u>	\$	65 053.84
	<u>Travel</u>	5	752.01
	<u>Office Supplies and Expense</u>		512.14
	<u>Postage</u>		122.18
	<u>Printing and Publications</u>		31.02
	<u>Maintenance of Equipment</u>		47.45
	<u>New Office Equipment</u>		339.20
	<u>Clinic &amp; Scientific Equipment</u>		51.20
	<u>Clinic &amp; Scientific Supplies</u>		192.24
	<u>Cleaning &amp; Laundry</u>		175.72
	<u>Membership Dues</u>		100.00
	<u>Telephone &amp; Telegraph</u>		588.72
	<u>Professional Help</u>		593.00
	<u>Consultant Fees</u>		598.30
	<u>Convention Expense</u>		586.18
	<u>Dental Clinic</u>		733.69
	<u>V.D. Clinic</u>		565.76
	<u>Crippled Children</u>	1	338.60
			\$77 381.25

Balance on Hand as of January 1, 1955 \_\_\_\_\_ 612.74

MUSKEGON COUNTY VITAL STATISTICS - 1953

<u>Births</u>		<u>Deaths</u>	
Muskegon Rural	<u>1846</u>	Muskegon Rural	<u>457</u>
Muskegon City	<u>1952</u>	Muskegon City	<u>511</u>
Muskegon Heights	<u>664</u>	Muskegon Heights	<u>143</u>
County Total	<u>4102</u>	County Total	<u>1116</u>

<u>Infant Deaths</u>		<u>Deaths Under 28 days</u>	
Muskegon Rural	<u>65</u>	Muskegon Rural	<u>37</u>
Muskegon City	<u>40</u>	Muskegon City	<u>25</u>
Muskegon Heights	<u>22</u>	Muskegon Heights	<u>13</u>
County Total	<u>127</u>	County Total	<u>75</u>

DEATH AND BIRTH RATES

Population rates are based on:

Muskegon City	<u>51 490</u>
Muskegon Rural	<u>57 610</u>
Muskegon Heights	<u>20 130</u>
Muskegon County - Total	<u>129 230</u>

Muskegon City

Infant Death Rate	<u>25.12</u>
Birth Rate	<u>30.91</u>

Maternal Death Rate	<u>0.00</u>
Death Rate	<u>9.92</u>

Muskegon Rural

Infant Death Rate	<u>35.21</u>
Birth Rate	<u>32.03</u>

Maternal Death Rate	<u>0.00</u>
Death Rate	<u>7.93</u>

Muskegon Heights

Infant Death Rate	<u>33.13</u>
Birth Rate	<u>32.98</u>

Maternal Death Rate	<u>0.00</u>
Death Rate	<u>7.35</u>

Muskegon County - Total

Infant Death Rate	<u>30.96</u>
Birth Rate	<u>31.74</u>

Maternal Death Rate	<u>0.00</u>
Death Rate	<u>8.63</u>

TEN LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH IN MUSKEGON COUNTY - 1953

1. Heart Disease
2. Cancer
3. Vascular lesions affecting central nervous system.
4. Accidents.
5. Pneumonia and Influenza
6. Arteriosclerosis
7. Immaturity
8. Diabetes Mellitus
9. Nephritis & Nephrosis
10. Congenital Malformations.

REPORTED COMMUNICABLE DISEASES 1954

<u>Disease</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>Hts</u>	<u>Rural</u>	<u>Total</u>
Chicken Pox.....	323	148	139	610
Animal Bite.....	12	4	31	47
Dysentary.....			1	1
Encephalitis.....			2	2
Infectious Hepatitis.....	7	2	52	61
Infectious mononucleosis...			1	1
Impetigo.....	4	10	9	23
Measles.....	645	195	460	1300
Meningitis.....	3		1	4
Mumps.....	383	279	387	1049
Podiculosis.....			6	6
Pink Eye.....	3	5	5	13
Polio.....	11	3	18	32
Ring Worm.....	6	13	8	27
Scabies.....			1	1
Scarlet Fever.....	11	9	12	32
Strept Throat.....	4		4	8
Tetanus.....	1			1
Trench Mouth.....			1	1
Whooping Cough.....	16	13	76	105

CONTROL OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Admissions to service.....	773
Visits.....	985
Immunization Clinics.....	201

IMMUNIZATIONS

Diphtheria, Whooping Cough, Tetanus (combined serum).....	2871
Doses of Diphtheria Toxoid.....	5837
Tetanus Toxoids.....	4970
Smallpox vaccinations.....	5748

TUBERCULOSIS CONTROL

This year we began an expansion of our tuberculosis program. The State Health Department is assisting with the project, and is providing us with an epidemiologist to assist the health officer to co-ordinate activities. Through specialized service efforts will be directed towards casefinding in areas and among population groups where present data shows high prevalence.

Included in our budget are funds to purchase a much needed x-ray unit to detect new cases of tuberculosis.

Since tuberculosis remains one of our most serious and costly public health problems, we feel that this is a forward step toward the eventual control of the disease.

1.	Admissions to service	1703
2.	Visits	2454
3.	New cases of tuberculosis this year	63
4.	Contacts examined of cases reported this calendar year	376

MATERNAL HYGIENE

1.	Antepartum cases admitted to nursing service	260
2.	Visits to antepartum cases	988
3.	Sessions of maternity classes	52
4.	Attendance at maternity classes	956
5.	Postpartum cases admitted to nursing service	424
6.	Visits to postpartum cases	1486

INFANT AND PRESCHOOL

1.	Infants admitted to nursing service	789
2.	Visits to infants	1124
3.	Preschool children admitted to nursing service	705
4.	Visits to preschool children	1134
5.	Visits of infants to medical conferences	499
6.	Visits of preschool children to medical conferences	1606
7.	Preschool children receiving medical examination who will be entering school within 12 months	1745
8.	Number of preschool clinics	74

SCHOOL HYGIENE

1.	School children examined	289
2.	Admissions to service	1674
3.	Visits	4313
4.	Nurses conferences with teachers	1119
5.	Total Schools visited	2426

ADULT HYGIENE

1.	Admissions to service	833
2.	Field nursing visits	8691

CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S

1.	Individuals admitted to nursing service	149
2.	Field nursing visits	905

VENEREAL DISEASE CONTROL 1954

1.	Number of diagnostic observations completed in clinics:	
	a. Not infected with a venereal disease.....	465
	b. Infected with a venereal disease.....	553
	c. Dropped or transferred without completed diagnosis.....	22
	d. Given epidemiological treatment.....	308
2.	Number of cases (not previously treated) and diagnosed as infected or admitted to clinics:	
	a. Referred to private physicians for treatment.....	186
	b. Referred to clinics outside this jurisdiction for treatment.....	19
	c. Admitted to treatment in Muskegon County clinic.....	861
3.	Number of contacts obtained by staff interview from patients in clinic.....	1142
4.	Results of epidemiological investigations:	
	a. Number completed.....	1121
	(1) Contacts.....	736
	(2) Other suspects (for reason other than contact reports).....	362
	(3) Lapsed cases.....	12
	b. Persons brought to treatment as a result of these investigations.....	861
	(1) Contacts.....	492
	(2) Other suspects (other than contact reports).....	369
	(3) Lapsed cases.....	6
5.	Admissions to field service.....	1873
6.	Visits.....	2927
7.	Epidemiologically significant cases of syphilis receiving maximum benefit of therapy during month.....	198
8.	Reported cases of gonorrhea this year that were placed under treatment .....	634
9.	Contacts of gonorrhea given epidemiological treatment.....	292
10.	Cases referred by private physician to health department.....	160
11.	Number of doses of drugs distributed.....	1510
12.	Total clinic visits.....	4226
13.	Total number "Epi" interviews.....	713

## DENTAL SERVICE REPORT - "CHILDREN"

SERVICE	TOTAL
Number of Clinic Visits	1182
Examinations: <u>No. examined in Surveys</u>	
<u>No. Clinical Examinations</u>	696
Sodium Fluoride Applications	1
X-Rays	201
Prophylaxes	309
CLINIC VISITS: <u>First</u>	624
<u>Subsequent</u>	555
Anesthetics used (no. of patients)	628
Pulp Treatments: <u>Pulp capping</u>	29
<u>Pulpotomy</u>	
<u>Cement Base</u>	113
Teeth Extracted: <u>Deciduous</u>	342
<u>Permanent</u>	283
Fillings: <u>Silver: Amalgam: One Surface</u>	308
<u>Two-Surface</u>	107
<u>Three-Surface</u>	22
<u>Cement:</u>	40
<u>Synthetic:</u>	119
Treatments: Post Operative _____ 19: Gingivitis _____	7
Miscellaneous: <u>Disk Teeth 1: Polish Fillings 1: Other</u>	1
Cases Completed	12

DENTAL SERVICE REPORT - "ADULTS"

SERVICE	TOTAL
Number of Clinic Visits	422
Examinations: No of Clinical Examinations	170
X-Rays	208
Prophylaxes	38
First	155
Clinic Visits: Subsequent	267
Anesthetics used (no. of patients)	162
Pulp Treatments: Pulp Capping	1
Cement Base	7
Teeth Extracted	
Deciduous	
Permanent	383
Fillings: Silver Amalgam: One Sur face	4
Two Surface	3
Three Surface	2
Cement:	1
Synthetic	11
Treatments: Surgical	2
Gingivitis	2
Post Operative	39

Completed 12 complete dentures: 7 Upper dentures: 3 Lower dentures: 2 Upper and lower rebase.

ENVIRONMENTAL SANITATION

1. Food Handling Establishments:		
Admission to Service.....	147	
Field visits.....	263	
	Total	410
2. Milk Plants:		
Admission to service.....	4	
Field visits.....	5	
	Total	9
3. Trailer Parks:		
Admission to service.....	4	
Field visits.....	21	
	Total	25
4. Schools:		
Admission to service.....	18	
Field visits.....	29	
	Total	47
5. Resorts:		
Admission to service.....	26	
Field visits.....	45	
	Total	71
6. Swimming places.....		32
7. Water Supplies:		
Private.....	257	
Public.....	5	
	Total	262
8. Sewage disposal:		
Private.....	221	
Public.....	3	
	Total	224
9 Stream Pollution.....		4
10 Housing Inspections.....		9
11 Insect & Rodent Control.....		23
12 Other planned field services.....		19
13 Nuisances:		
Investigations requested.....	220	
Nuisances abated.....	70	
	Total	290
14 Consultations:		
Field visits.....	187	
Office.....	446	
	Total	633
15 Courses of Instruction.....		4
16 Persons instructed.....		129
17 Group meetings attended.....		22
18 Pollen Counts.....		45
19 Laboratory.....		257

## THE MUSKEGON COUNTY LIBRARY

1954 FINANCIAL REPORTRECEIPTS

Balance January 1, 1954		\$9,794.31
County appropriations	15,350.00	
Local contributions	731.00	
State Aid	3,600.00	
Penal Fines	16,519.89	
Books bought through Library	146.73	
Fines	327.51	
Rentals	39.99	
Lost books	47.30	
Waste paper	4.31	
Gasoline tax refund	33.26	
		<u>36,799.99</u>
		46,594.30

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	21,427.17	
Books	8,009.00	
Periodicals	280.65	
Bindings	2,342.20	
Audio-Visual	741.16	
Office supplies and expense	752.18	
Telephone	185.40	
Postage	240.00	
Insurance	554.46	
Travel Expense	486.20	
Bookmobile Equipment		
Gas and oil	263.80	
Maintenance	289.26	
Building Maintenance		
Rent	2,400.00	
Utilities	145.18	
Building supplies	90.24	
Janitor's salary	510.00	
Furniture and equipment	1,205.51	
Balance December 31, 1954		<u>39,922.41</u>
		\$6,671.89

BOOK STOCK ANALYSIS

	<u>Adult Books</u>	<u>Juvenile Books</u>
January 1, 1954	17,855	30,765
Bks. added in 1954	<u>1,309</u>	<u>3,357</u>
	19,164	34,122
Bks. discarded in 1954	<u>50</u>	<u>551</u>
Ek. stock Jan. 1, 1955	19,114	33,571
		Total volumes 52,685

CIRCULATION OF BOOK STOCK 1954

7 Branch Libraries circulated	53,603 adult books	62,462 juvenile bks.
Bookmobile circulated to schools	<u>15,437</u> " "	<u>209,529</u> " "
	69,040 adult books	271,991 juvenile bks.

CIRCULATION COMPARISON WITH 1953

TOTAL BOOK CIRCULATION	1 9 5 4 --	341,031
" " "	1 9 5 3 --	<u>278,619</u>
		62,412 Gain in 1 9 5 4

AUDIO - VISUAL MATERIALSAUDIO-VISUAL USE IN 1 9 5 4Muskegon County Library has:

Strip film	2,500
Records	557
Pictures	2,147
16 mm films	101

Library circulated	6,448 strip films
" "	2,981 records
" "	848 pictures
" "	297 16 mm (3 months)

ACTIVITIES REPORT

Books received from State Library 164  
 Booktalks given 31  
 Story hours held 74  
 No. at story hour 2,632  
 School visits to the Branch Library 252  
 Meetings held in the Branch Library 247  
 Meetings attended by the Library Staff:  
     School 18  
     Civic 91  
     Professional 104  
 The number of Reference questions answered 5,795  
 Special requests filled 223  
 Club affiliations

MUSKEGON COUNTY MUSEUM FOUNDATION  
756 Emerald Street  
Muskegon, Michigan

FINANCIAL REPORT  
for the Year ending  
December 31, 1954

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**INCOME:**

Cash in Bank January 1, 1954	\$ 980.93	
County Appropriation	5,000.00	
Miscellaneous Receipts	156.27	
Memberships	1,412.50	
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Total Cash		\$7,549.70

**EXPENSE:**

Salaries	3,167.85	
Catalog Expense	226.75	
Lights & Gas	817.57	
Telephone	198.79	
Water	87.79	
Insurance	109.64	
Convention Expense	175.00	
Car Allowance	360.00	
Printing	251.95	
Petty Cash	80.00	
Postage	164.00	
Professional Dues & Magazines	26.50	
Repairs, Additions & Improvements to Exhibits	249.29	
Miscellaneous Expense	175.14	
Office Supplies	168.38	
Building Maintenance	69.67	
Custodial Expense	150.11	
Bank Charges	7.14	
Auditor	28.87	
Collector of Internal Revenue	47.15	
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Total Expense		6,560.59
Cash in Bank December 31, 1954		<hr/> 989.11
Total		\$7,549.70

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**NOTE:**

The Muskegon Board of Education matches the Muskegon County Appropriation by donating the Building, Custodian and Fuel.

MUSKEGON COUNTY MUSEUM FOUNDATION

*Lewis Jorent* Treasurer

TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF MUSKEGON COUNTY:

We respectfully submit herewith the 1954 report of the operations of the Juvenile Division of the Probate Court.

1. NUMBER OF CHILDREN (1437)

1182 children were called to the attention of the Juvenile Court Staff as new cases during the calendar year of 1954. 255 children were already within our jurisdiction. Thus a total of 1437 children were brought to our attention or under our supervision in the last year.

2. REASONS FOR REFERRAL

(PARENTAL NEGLECT) 162 of the children within the Juvenile Court's jurisdiction were brought to our attention by reason of the direct failure and neglect of parents to properly accept their full responsibilities as fathers and mothers. Procedures in neglect cases require the assistance of the Prosecuting Attorney and also require a considerably greater amount of the time of the Court Staff. In addition, neglect cases take a major portion of the money spent by the County for the care of children.

(CHILD BEHAVIOR - DELINQUENTS) (1020)

A total of 1020 children were under our supervision by reason of stealing, truancy, running away, sex offenses, vandalism or other violations of a city ordinance or a state or federal law. Parolees from state institutions are included in this category, as are 346 violators of traffic laws who are brought to the attention of the Juvenile Jury.

(ADOPTIONS) (169)

169 adoptions, including legal procedures and social studies, were completed or initiated in 1954.

3. DISPOSITIONS

Muskegon County has available many varieties of help for children brought to the attention of the Court. We believe that in each case disposition was made as appeared to be most suited to the child and in the best interest of society. The program has embraced the use of given statutory authority through:

- (a.) Official and unofficial supervision,
- (b.) Probation,
- (c.) Observation, study and treatment by qualified experts,
- (d.) Foster home boarding care, and,
- (e.) Public and private institutional commitment.

During the year 1954 services to children were furnished at the request of, and under the direction of, the Court by the following public and private agencies:

1. Bethany Christian Home, Grand Rapids, Michigan
2. Boystown, Boystown, Nebraska
3. Boys' Vocational School, Lansing, Michigan
4. Catholic Service Bureau, Muskegon, Michigan
5. Chapin Hall, St. Joseph, Michigan
6. Coldwater State Home and Training School, Coldwater, Michigan
7. Girls' Training School, Adrian, Michigan
8. Kent County Children's Home, Grand Rapids, Michigan
9. Michigan Children's Institute, Ann Arbor, Michigan
10. Muskegon Area Child Guidance Clinic, Muskegon, Michigan
11. Muskegon Children's Home, Muskegon, Michigan
12. Neuro Psychiatric Institute, Ann Arbor, Michigan
13. Starr Commonwealth for Boys, Albion, Michigan
14. Villa Maria, Grand Rapids, Michigan
15. Youth Haven, Muskegon, Michigan

#### FOSTER HOMES

All of these agencies together with more than 30 foster homes, licensed and supervised by the Court Staff, have been of great help in meeting the many and complex needs of children.

#### FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS \$52,466.60

Total disbursements for the care of children in 1954 was \$55,600.41. Through reimbursements from parents and responsible relatives there was recovered for the County the sum of \$3,133.81 leaving a net disbursement by Muskegon County of \$52,466.60. This figure is more than \$5,000.00 less than the total of similar costs for last year. The details of our expenditures follow: Breakdown of the type of expenditures for child care in both 1953 and 1954.

BOARD AND CARE	(1953)	\$38,457.74	(1954)	\$35,483.57
SUPERVISION		14,309.16		12,940.59
CLOTHING		3,123.13		3,223.18
MEDICAL		1,194.51		998.91
LEGAL EXPENSE		44.18		7.30
RESTITUTION		403.75		641.34
SCHOOL SUPPLIES		318.50		425.52
TRANSPORTATION		25.70		30.43
MISCELLANEOUS		289.46		330.12
CONVENTION		8.50		6.75
DETENTION		3,941.37		1,512.70
		<u>\$ 62,116.00</u>		<u>\$55,600.41</u>

#### 4. OBSERVATIONS

##### (1.) Detention

Muskegon County is still without a detention home and the need for maximum security following delinquent behavior is a pressing and increasing problem. Since July 1954 the Kent

County Children's Home at Grand Rapids has provided detention care for 37 children for a total of 681 child care days. The Muskegon Children's Home is used when children do not indicate an aggressive or dangerous behavior. Some children are detained in their own home under the 24 hour per day supervision of their father or mother. This has worked well when there are enough positive factors in the family to warrant the return of a boy or girl to his parents.

We cannot stress too strongly, however, that the use of the Kent County Children's Home does not serve the best interests of Muskegon County. The current cost is \$5.00 per day. Considerable time and money are expended when each trip is made between Muskegon and Grand Rapids. When it is desirable to have children seen at the Muskegon Area Child Guidance Clinic two round trips per day are necessary. The same may be true on the day of a hearing, if it is decided that further detention is required.

We believe, therefore, that a detention home to provide maximum security would help us render better and more effective service both to children and to the Board of Supervisors.

(2.) Types of offenses:

Stealing continues to account for almost half of the referrals that are made to the Court. Truancy, running away, vandalism and the neglect of children follow in order.

(3.) Summary of causes:

While numerous causes are basic to juvenile misbehavior by far the most apparent one in this court is a breakdown of good family relationships. Juvenile delinquency is rare in the family that is working harmoniously together.

(4.) Again, we express appreciation for the cooperation of your Honorable Body in recognizing the cost of meeting the primary needs of the wards of the County by suitable budgetary appropriations for board and care. The children served, the community, state and nation, are the direct beneficiaries of the program of vital and ever increasing importance to the sound health and well being of all. We urge your continued interest and welcome your inquiry, questions, suggestions and comment.

5. ADOPTIONS 1954

COMPLETED ADOPTIONS:

Juvenile Court	51
Muskegon Children's Home	18
Catholic Service Bureau	7
Bethany Christian Home	2
Total completed adoptions	<u>78</u>

ADOPTIONS DENIED:		
	Juvenile Court	34
ADOPTIONS CLOSED:		
	Juvenile Court	1
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	TOTAL	113
Adoptions in process January 1, 1955		85
Total number of adoption cases handled by Muskegon County Juvenile Court from January 1, 1954 through December 31, 1954		198
Adoptions completed:		
	Males	45
	Females	33
Under our supervision		3
	Illinois	1
	Indiana	1
	Wayne County	1

Respectfully submitted,

*Harry J. Foghan*  


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 Judge of Probate

*Frank A. DeJoz*  


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 County Welfare Agent and  
 Chief Probation Officer

DATED, February 23, 1955.

1954

ANNUAL REPORT

REGISTER OF DEEDS OFFICE

JOHN G. HOSKO

REGISTER

1954

## Receipts.

January	\$3,603.05
February	2,990.87
March	3,747.65
April	4,055.75
May	3,785.80
June	4,295.75
July	4,176.25
August	3,903.15
September	3,607.60
October	3,402.45
November	3,576.12
December	<u>4,102.19</u>
TOTAL	\$45,246.63

The total receipts turned into the County Treasurer for 1954 are \$45,246.63.

	P A P E R S   R E C O R D E D - 1954							
	<u>DEEDS</u>	<u>MTG.</u>	<u>DIS.</u>	<u>MISC.</u>	<u>O.G.L.</u>	<u>L.P.</u>	<u>PLATS</u>	<u>LIENS</u>
JAN.	581	277	183	188	22	1		
FEB.	477	205	152	73	15	6		16
MAR.	533	257	173	155	15	1		13
APR.	637	309	211	141	8	2		28
MAY	538	285	181	179	16	3	5	32
JUNE	662	297	199	114	7	1	2	31
JULY	629	321	215	141	66	1	6	29
AUG.	697	301	207	131	14	2	3	31
SEPT.	580	272	219	122	24	1	4	12
OCT.	540	266	165	111	18	2	2	17
NOV.	537	303	211	113	31	1	3	12
DEC.	472	280	197	164	7	4	3	15
	<u>6883</u>	<u>3373</u>	<u>2313</u>	<u>1632</u>	<u>243</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>28</u>	<u>236</u>

	<u>Chattel Mtg.</u>	<u>Chattel Abst.</u>	<u>Chattel Discharge</u>
JAN.	1061	4	874
FEB.	1063	11	721
MAR.	1331	7	885
APR.	1316	6	854
MAY	1206	5	754
JUNE	1389	8	1105
JULY	1143	5	1096
AUG.	1140	10	971
SEPT.	1118	4	796
OCT.	1105	6	947
NOV.	1036	3	763
DEC.	1376	9	859
	<u>14284</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>10625</u>

Total Recorded - 14733

Total Filed - 24987

TOTAL RECORDED  
AND FILED - 39720

Chattel Mortgages

Abstracts and Discharges

Recorded Papers

1949	-	14722	11050
1950	-	16034	12283
1951	-	19251	12754
1952	-	22570	13452
1953	-	24782	15050
1954	-	24987	14733

Receipts

1949 . . . . .	.\$19,588.07
1950 . . . . .	.\$25,151.91
1951	\$25,892.25
1952	\$27,138.01
1953	\$34,539.37
1954	\$45,246.63

1954 FINANCIAL REPORT  
OF THE  
BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS  
TO THE  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF  
MUSKEGON COUNTY  
MICHIGAN

## MUSKEGON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

January 20, 1955

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors  
of Muskegon County, Michigan.

Gentlemen:

We take pleasure in submitting here-  
with financial report of the County Road Fund  
for the calendar year 1954.

Respectfully,

Board of County Road Commissioners

Earl Deremo, Chairman

Albert Hoppman

Frank Millard



## MUSKEGON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

## County Highway Expenditures

	Primary Roads	Local Roads		
Construction	208,452.58 (Page 7)	191,880.85 (Page 16)	\$	400,333.43
Maintenance	<u>336,273.94</u> (Page 17)	<u>251,581.06</u> (Page 18)		<u>587,855.00</u>
	544,726.52	443,461.91		988,188.43
Material Stores				11,431.75
Equipment Acct. New Equipment Purchased	53,126.47 (Page 20)			
Repairs & Operation	<u>273,482.00</u>			
	326,608.47			
Less Equipment Rental Credits & Depreciation		<u>393,016.14</u>	(CR)	66,407.67
Administrative Expense (Page 22)				23,289.14
Capital Expenditures:				
Asphalt Storage Facilities (Page 23)	6,106.01			
Office Furniture & Fixtures	<u>1,084.02</u>			<u>7,190.03</u>
Total Highway Expenditures			\$	963,691.68
Reimbursable Expenditures				
County Parks	10,440.28 (Page 24)			
State Trunk Line Mtnc. Contract	179,523.19 (Page 19)			
Accounts Receivable	<u>8,790.74</u> (Page 21)			
Total Reimbursable Expenditures				<u>198,754.21</u>
			\$	1,162,445.89
Cash on hand December 31, 1954				<u>240,026.35</u>
Total funds accounted for			\$	1,402,472.24

## MUSKEGON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

## Primary Road Construction

A-6-4, Meinert Road from Lehman Rd. W. to Meinert Park S. side Sec. 3, White River Township., 1.0 mile Pulvi-Mix Bituminous Surface.

Engineering Supervision	\$	378.46	
Clearing & Grubbing		642.55	
Grading		940.43	
Culverts		189.86	
R.O.W.		100.00	
Gravel Surfacing		1,813.80	
Bituminous Surfacing		4,949.95	
Indirect Expense		<u>1,387.26</u>	\$ 10,342.31

D-9X-2 & 3, Russell Road from Silver Creek Road NE 1 mile, Sections 9 & 16, Blue Lake Township. Grading, installing culvert in Silver Creek, add necessary gravel, Pulvi-Mix Bituminous Surface.

Engineering Supervision	656.96	
Clearing & Grubbing	17.92	
Grading	5,589.04	
Culverts	1,370.23	
Gravel Surface	2,268.54	
Bituminous Surfacing	3,713.42	
Indirect Expense	<u>2,109.32</u>	15,725.43

\*N-7X-3, Lake Harbor Road Relocation

Engineering Supervision	413.64	
Indirect Expense	<u>64.10</u>	477.74

D-10X-1, Silver Creek Rd., from Hyde Park Rd. E, 1 mile, the N. 1/8 line of Sec. 18, Blue Lake Township. Add necessary gravel, Pulvi-Mix Bituminous Surface.

Engineering Supervision	346.61	
Gravel Surface	504.42	
Bituminous Surface	4,224.38	
Indirect Expense	<u>786.25</u>	5,861.66

E-2-5 & 6, Skeels Rd., from Holton-Duck Lake Rd. to M-20 on N. side of Sec. 1 & 2, Holton Township, 2 miles. Prime & Double Seal Bituminous Surface.

Engineering Supervision	211.02	
Bituminous Surface	5,541.61	
Indirect Expense	<u>891.16</u>	6,643.79

## Primary Road Construction (Continued)

F-26-3-4-5, River Rd. from Green Creek Rd. to Benjamin Rd. W 1/2 mile on the S. side Sec. 35, the S. side Sec. 34 and the E. 1/2 mile on S. side Sec. 33, Fruitland Township, 2 miles. Grading, add necessary gravel, Pulvi-Mix Bituminous Surface.

Engineering Supervision	278.76	
Grading	1,840.30	
Culverts	66.06	
Gravel Surfacing	4,447.55	
Bituminous Surface	10,809.38	
Indirect Expense	<u>2,702.02</u>	20,144.07

G-14-2, Riley-Thompson from Russell Rd. To Automobile Rd. between Secs. 17 & 20, Dalton Township, 1 mile. Grade, add sufficient gravel, pulvi-mix bituminous surface.

Engineering Supervision	98.27	
Grading	674.80	
Culverts	162.27	
Gravel Surfacing	998.59	
Bituminous Surface	3,665.19	
Indirect Expense	<u>867.38</u>	6,466.50

H-5 & 6, Ewing Rd. from River Rd. to McMillan Rd. E. line of Sec. 31, Cedar Creek Township, 3/4 mi. Grade, add necessary gravel, pulvi-mix bituminous surface.

Engineering Supervision	101.48	
Grading	148.94	
Gravel Surfacing	1,388.31	
Bituminous Surface	2,677.23	
Indirect Expense	<u>668.60</u>	4,984.56

J-23-2 & 3, Mill Iron Rd., McArthur Rd. N. to Muskegon River N. & S. 1/4 line, Secs. 12 & 13, Muskegon Township, 1 mi. Grade, add necessary gravel, pulvi-mix bituminous surface.

Engineering Supervision	125.04	
Clearing & Grubbing	72.46	
Grading	1,403.18	
Sand Cushion	139.51	
Gravel Surfacing	392.80	
Bituminous Surface	5,457.90	
Indirect Expense	<u>1,175.94</u>	8,766.83

## Primary Road Construction (Continued)

*L-23-3, Goebel Rd. from Hall Rd. to White Rd. N. & S. 1/4 line, Sec. 13, Moorland Township, 1 mile. Grading, sand cushion, 22 ft. gravel surface.		
Engineering Supervision	197.98	
Grading	368.06	
Culverts	181.39	
Indirect Expense	<u>115.79</u>	863.22
M-13-1, Canada Rd. from Bailey Rd. N. to Moore Rd. between Secs. 3 & 4, Casnovia Township, 1 mile. Prime & double seal bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	28.08	
Bituminous Surface	2,929.14	
Indirect Expense	<u>458.11</u>	3,415.33
N-22-6, Pontaluna Rd. from U.S.-31 E. to Harvey St. between Secs. 28 & 33, Norton Twp., 3/4 mile. Grading, installing necessary drainage structure, placing 22 ft. 6 in. compacted gravel, prime & double seal bituminous surface.		
Engineering	191.04	
Culvert	868.05	
Gravel Surface	2,295.82	
Bituminous Surface	2,928.83	
Indirect Expense	<u>973.44</u>	7,257.18
N-6X-2 & 3, Seminole Rd. from Henry St. to Lake Harbor Rd. N. 1/2 line Sec. 12 & E. 1/4 line and the N. 1/8 line Sec. 11, Norton Township, 1 1/4 mile, Prime and double seal bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	25.14	
Bituminous Surface	3,792.55	
Indirect Expense	<u>591.41</u>	4,409.10
*O-22-1 & 2, Pontaluna Rd. from U.S.-16 W. to Sheridan 1 1/2 mile on the S. side of Secs. 25 & 26, Fruitport Township. Grading, drainage structures, placing necessary gravel, pulvi-mix bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	281.67	
Clearing & Grubbing	13.59	
Grading	265.31	
Culverts	109.73	
Gravel Surface	5,549.30	
Bituminous Surface	3,780.81	
Indirect Expense	<u>1,549.20</u>	11,549.61

## Primary Road Construction (Continued)

*R-14-4, Ellis Rd. E & W approaches to Crockery Creek Bridge. The S. side Sec. 15, Ravenna Township, 1/2 mile. Prime & double seal bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	90.12	
Indirect Expense	<u>13.96</u>	104.08
*K-24-4 & 5, Evanston Ave., from Barnes Rd. W. on E & W 1/4 line Secs. 35 & 34, Egelston Township, 1 mile. Grade, drainage structure & placing 22 ft. 6 in. compacted gravel surface.		
Engineering Supervision	654.22	
Clearing & Grubbing	35.46	
Grading	2,334.67	
Gravel Surface	4,365.72	
Indirect Expense	<u>1,144.83</u>	8,534.90
*P-16-3 & 4, Ellis-Sternberg from W 1/4 corner Sec. 22 E. 1 mile, thence E. & NE to intersection Sullivan & Ellis Rds. thence E. 1 mi. to NE corner, Sec. 24, Sullivan Township 3.3 miles. Grading, installing necessary drainage structure & surfacing to a width of 22 ft. 6 in. compacted gravel.		
Engineering Supervision	2,752.32	
Clearing & Grubbing	2,708.79	
Grading	9,714.16	
Culverts	1,396.84	
Soil Survey	125.00	
Gravel Surface	15,734.23	
Indirect Expense	<u>5,024.07</u>	37,455.41
J-26-2 & 3, Sherman, Henry St. to Lincoln Ave. 2.025 miles. Curb & gutter, widening to 40 ft. & 2 in. bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	662.94	
Relocating flash signals	1,540.22	
Indirect Expense	<u>341.30</u>	2,544.46
*K-9-6-P-9-1, Wolf Lake Rd. Section corner common to Secs. 4 & 5, Sullivan Township & 32 & 33, Egelston Township. Install multi-plate arch culverts (2) span 142" rise 90" 8 gauge, 40' length each.		
Engineering Supervision	568.81	
Grading	5,500.02	
Culverts	4,098.62	
Indirect Expense	<u>1,575.08</u>	11,742.53

## Primary Road Construction (Continued)

*J-26-4X, Sherman Rd., McMahons Corners to Harvey, 1 mi. Right of Way		15.00
M-1-1, Squires Rd. from Bailey Rd. to N. County line bet. Secs. 1, Moorland Twp. & Sec. 6, Casnovia Township, 1 mile. Prime & double seal bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	56.19	
Bituminous Surface	3,203.38	
Indirect Expense	<u>507.27</u>	3,766.84
O-4X-2, Black Creek Rd. from Heights-Ravenna Rd. NE 0.2 mile. Add necessary gravel & pulvi-mix bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	30.04	
Gravel Surfacing	75.25	
Bituminous Surface	1,091.36	
Indirect Expense	<u>185.38</u>	1,382.03
Norton-Glade Expressway Payment to State Highway Department County's share 1954 installment		36,000.00
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Total Primary Road Construction		\$ 208,452.58

\*Denotes Construction not yet completed

## MUSKEGON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

## Local Road Construction

Casnovia Township		
Pine St. from Oak to Elm, Village of Bailey 0.063 mi. Grade & 16' gravel surface.		
Engineering Supervision	23.92	
Grading	20.96	
Gravel Surface	72.00	
R.O.W.	2.00	
Indirect Expense	<u>18.42</u>	137.30
Elm St. from Pine to Pearl, Village of Bailey 0.063 mi. Grade & 16' gravel surface.		
Engineering Supervision	23.92	
Grading	15.72	
Gravel Surface	72.00	
Indirect Expense	<u>17.29</u>	128.93
Dalton Township		
**G-13-4, Putnam from Bard Rd. N. 1/2 mile. Grading & placing 22 ft. 6 in. compacted gravel.		
Gravel Surface	3,067.80	
Indirect Expense	<u>475.25</u>	3,543.05
**G-21-5, Beattie Rd. from M-20 N. to Bard 0.59 mi. Grade, place 22 ft. 6 in. compacted gravel, prime & double seal bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	17.18	
Grading	45.63	
Culverts	204.03	
Gravel Surfacing	1,210.23	
Bituminous Surface	1,354.27	
Indirect Expense	<u>438.61</u>	3,269.95
**G-10-5 & 6, Unland from Cady E. to C & O RR & from M-20 to C & O RR .75 mi. Grubbing & grading.		
Installing crossing	335.08	
Indirect Expense	<u>51.91</u>	386.99
*Duff Road from Middle Lake Rd. E. 1/2 mi, Sec. 1 & 2, .53 mi. Grade, gravel and pulvi-mix bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	252.20	
Indirect Expense	<u>39.07</u>	291.27

## Local Road Construction (Continued)

Viola Beach, commence NW corner		
Section 12, thence S. 0° 30' W. 21.9'		
thence S. 65° 49' E. 224.57' thence S.		
0° 38' W. 728' to centerline Middle		
Lake Road 0.2 mi. Grade & surface		
with gravel 9 ft. wide 6 in. compacted.		
Engineering Supervision	23.16	
Clearing & Grubbing	77.20	
Grading	208.45	
Gravel Surface	521.59	
Indirect Expense	<u>128.64</u>	959.04
G-13-4-No. - Putnam from Erickson to		
Riley-Thompson W. side Sec. 22, 0.5 mi.		
Grade & 22 ft. 6 in. compacted gravel.		
Engineering Supervision	23.16	
Grading	1,446.08	
Culverts	79.71	
Gravel Surfacing	3,809.67	
Indirect Expense	<u>830.13</u>	6,188.75
G-13-4-So. - Putnam from Bard Rd. N.		
1/2 mi. W. side Sec. 22, 0.5 mi.		
Prime & double seal bituminous		
surface.		
Engineering Supervision	17.18	
Bituminous Surface	1,273.12	
Indirect Expense	<u>199.89</u>	1,490.19
*G-21-4, Beattie Rd. from Bard Rd. to		
Riley-Thompson Rd. between Secs. 23 &		
24, 1 mi. 32' grade & 22 ft. 6 in.		
compact gravel.		
Engineering Supervision	34.36	
Grading	1,254.34	
Culverts	125.15	
Sand Cushion	308.73	
Gravel Surface	1,416.71	
Indirect Expense	<u>486.32</u>	3,625.61
Egelston Township		
**S. Bolen Rd. from M-46 S. in Plat of		
Acorn Park #1, 0.48 mi. Grading &		
placing 22 ft. 6 in. compacted gravel.		
Grading	58.04	
Gravel Surface	4.76	
Indirect Expense	<u>9.73</u>	72.53
**S. Forest Road from M-46 to end, 0.54		
mi. Clearing, grubbing & grading.		
Grading	315.78	
Indirect Expense	<u>48.92</u>	364.70

## Local Road Construction (Continued)

K-3-5, Drent Rd. from M-46 S. 1/2 mi. N & S 1/4 line Sec. 30, 0.5 mi. Grade, place 6 in. compacted gravel surface, 22 ft. in width.		
Engineering Supervision	47.08	
Grading	70.98	
Gravel Surface	2,679.16	
Indirect Expense	<u>433.33</u>	3,230.55
K-13-5, Hilton Park, from M-46 S. 3/4 mi. bet. Secs. 27 & 28, 0.8 mi. Grade, & place 6 in. compacted gravel surface 22 ft. in width.		
Engineering Supervision	80.84	
Grading	647.16	
Gravel Surface	3,678.96	
Indirect Expense	<u>682.70</u>	5,089.66
K-11-4, Chatterson Rd. from M-46 to Hall Rd. N & S 1/4 line Sec. 21, 1 mi. grading.		
Engineering Supervision	80.28	
Grading	1,273.11	
Indirect Expense	<u>209.66</u>	1,563.05
K-21-3, Sullivan Rd. from Hall Rd. N. 1000 ft. bet. Secs. 13 & 14, 0.2 mi. Grade, place 22 ft. of 6 in. compacted gravel.		
Engineering Supervision	25.56	
Clearing & Grubbing	151.50	
Grading	176.15	
Culverts	133.84	
Gravel Surface	1,375.44	
Indirect Expense	<u>288.53</u>	2,151.02
*Olson Ave. from Wolf Lake to Rahn St. in Roberts Wolf Lake Subd. Grade only.		
Engineering Supervision	20.36	
Indirect Expense	<u>3.15</u>	23.51
*Kenwood, Circle, Bryn Mawr & Bolen Sts. in Lakeview Park Subd. 0.71 mi. Grade & place 6 in. compacted gravel surface 22 ft. in width.		
Engineering Supervision	84.99	
Indirect Expense	<u>13.17</u>	98.16

## Local Road Construction (Continued)

Fruitland Township		
**F-1 & 2, Lamos Rd. from Michillinda Rd. to S. Shore Rd. bet. Secs. 7 & 12, 0.63 mi. Grade, gravel & pulvi-mix bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	26.24	
Clearing & Grubbing	2.52	
Grading	204.80	
Gravel Surface	1,653.13	
Bituminous Surface	2,215.20	
Indirect Expense	<u>635.44</u>	4,737.33
**F-22-4-McMillan Rd. from Weber Rd. W. 4500 ft. S. side Sec. 27, 0.8 mi. Grade & 16' 6" compacted gravel and 32 ft. grade.		
Engineering Supervision	105.84	
Grading	2,075.70	
Gravel Surface	4,548.50	
Indirect Expense	<u>1,042.58</u>	7,772.62
F-21-6, Lorenson Rd. from River Rd. to McMillan Rd. between Secs. 35 & 36, 1.02 mi. Clearing, grubbing, grading & surfacing with 22 ft. 6 in. compacted gravel.		
Engineering Supervision	102.29	
Clearing & grubbing	886.34	
Grading	1,750.15	
Culverts	1,511.56	
Gravel Surface	7,355.98	
Indirect Expense	<u>1,797.98</u>	13,404.30
Fruitport Township		
O-3-2 & 3, Quarterline Rd., 1/4 mi. S. of Shettler Rd. on N & S 1/4 line Sec. 15, 0.25 mi. Replace existing culvert with corr. metal culvert & widen 500' of grade.		
Engineering Supervision	23.16	
Grading	316.74	
Culverts	510.33	
Indirect Expense	<u>131.71</u>	981.94
O-12-0, Hile Rd., between U.S.-16 & Sheridan Dr. on E & W 1/4 line Sec. 15, clearing, grubbing, grading, install culverts, add necessary gravel & pulvi-mix bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	60.38	
Clearing & Grubbing	22.45	
Grading	103.60	
Culverts	456.01	
Gravel Surfacing	256.97	
Bituminous Surface	4,608.37	
Indirect Expense	<u>853.23</u>	6,361.01

## Local Road Construction (Continued)

0-19-6, Cooley Rd. N & S 1/4 line Sec. 32 bet. Pontaluna & Fruitport Rds. 1.25 mi. Approx. 1 1/4 mi. ditch cleanout.		
Grading	834.98	
Indirect Expense	<u>129.35</u>	964.33
0-18-1, Berg Rd., N. line Sec. 26 approx. 1/4 mi. W. of Walker Rd. replace existing culvert with corr. metal culvert & widen grade.		
Engineering Supervision	11.58	
Grading	110.21	
Culverts	450.89	
Indirect Expense	<u>88.72</u>	661.40
Columbia & S. Sheridan from Black Lake Rd. to E. Broadway 0.21 mi. Pulvi-mix bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	140.57	
Clearing & grubbing	10.68	
Grading	185.76	
Gravel Surface	60.40	
Bituminous Surface	1,185.50	
Indirect Expense	<u>245.21</u>	1,828.12
*DeVowe St. E. 1/8 line Sec. 2 from E. Broadway S. approx. 800 ft. bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	165.56	
Indirect Expense	<u>25.65</u>	191.21
Holton Township E-21-2, Brickyard Rd. from Brunswick Rd. to Meinert Rd. between Secs. 11 & 12, 1 mi. Clearing, grubbing, 32 ft. grade, placing 22 ft. 7 in. compacted gravel & drainage & structures.		
Engineering Supervision	125.48	
Clearing & Grubbing	842.57	
Grading	843.78	
Culverts	2,145.46	
Gravel Surface	6,209.14	
Indirect Expense	<u>1,574.92</u>	11,741.35
Hoppman Rd. from Main St. in Village of Holton NE along the S. side of the C & O RR tracks, thence E. to M-20 in Village of Holton, 0.37 mi. 22 ft. 6 in. compacted gravel.		
Engineering Supervision	28.56	
Grading	30.12	
Gravel Surfacing	2,259.68	
Indirect Expense	<u>359.15</u>	2,677.51

## Local Road Construction (Continued)

Laketon Township		
**T-21-1, Horton Rd. from Giles to River Rd. between Secs. 1 & 2, 1.26 mi. Grading, drainage & construction of independent ditch.		
Engineering Supervision	136.92	
Grading	620.23	
Culverts	879.68	
Sand Cushion	3,059.74	
Gravel Surface	8,044.70	
Indirect Expense	<u>1,973.80</u>	14,715.07
Muskegon Township		
***Pine Grove between Montague Ave. & Sherman Blvd. in Glenside Subd. #2 250 ft. Appraisal Cost (R.O.W.)		
		25.00
Montague Township		
B-1-3 & 4, Lamos Rd. W. line Sec. 18 & N 1/2 mi. on W. line Sec. 19, 1.7 mi. Bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	44.94	
Bituminous Surface	4,394.21	
Indirect Expense	<u>687.69</u>	5,126.84
Moorland Township		
L-17-1, Ravenna Rd. S 1/2 mi. between Secs. 2 & 3, 0.5 mi. 24 ft. grade, install twin deformed culverts in drain.		
Engineering Supervision	46.32	
Culverts	550.78	
Indirect Expense	<u>92.50</u>	689.60
L-26-2, Sherman between Swanson & Moorland Rds. S. side Sec. 32, widen grade & ditch, place 1000 yds. gravel.		
Engineering Supervision	137.44	
Clearing & Grubbing	199.87	
Grading	805.85	
Culverts	716.19	
Gravel Surface	1,717.61	
Indirect Expense	<u>554.12</u>	4,131.08
Norton Township		
**Roberts St. from Sherman to Broadway 0.25 mi. Prime & double seal bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	43.65	
Payment to Contractor	1,712.42	
Indirect Expense	<u>6.76</u>	1,762.83

## Local Road Construction (Continued)

***Hess St, Sunset Lane & Garden St.		
0.52 mi. Pulvi-mix bituminous surface.		
Grading	133.18	
Gravel Surface	140.15	
Bituminous Surface	168.34	
Indirect Expense	<u>68.42</u>	510.09
Vick Rd., Sec. 16, 0.24 mi.		
Bituminous Surface.		
Engineering Supervision	298.08	
Payment to Contractor	5,403.25	
Indirect Expense	<u>46.18</u>	5,747.51
Porter & Wickham Rds. Sec. 23 & 24, 0.717 mi. Bituminous Surface.		
Engineering Supervision	692.06	
Payment to Contractor	17,910.37	
Indirect Expense	<u>107.21</u>	18,709.64
Byron Rd., Sec. 16, 0.23 mi.		
Bituminous Surface.		
Engineering Supervision	431.17	
Payment to Contractor	4,969.50	
Indirect Expense	<u>66.79</u>	5,467.46
Wilson Ave. from U.S.-31 W. 1/4 mi.		
Grade, gravel & Pulvi-mix bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	170.40	
Grading	57.55	
Gravel Surface	269.96	
Bituminous Surface	2,007.46	
Indirect Expense	<u>388.12</u>	2,893.49
Ross & Armstrong Rds., Sec. 18, 0.449 miles. Bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	578.94	
Payment to Contractor	10,174.70	
Indirect Expense	<u>89.68</u>	10,843.32
N-24-6, Judson Rd. E & W 1/4 line Sec. 33, from U.S.-31 to Harvey St.		
Prime & double seal bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	65.88	
Bituminous surface	2,475.81	
Indirect Expense	<u>393.74</u>	2,935.43

## Local Road Construction (Continued)

Circle Drive from Henry St. to Harvey St. Brookside Subd. .36 miles. Grade, gravel & bituminous surface.		
Engineering Supervision	234.21	
Payment to Contractor	7,969.80	
Indirect Expense	<u>36.28</u>	8,240.29
 Lawnel Ave., Sec. 2, 0.124 miles Bituminous Surface.		
Engineering Supervision	93.60	
Payment to Contractor	2,970.00	
Indirect Expense	<u>14.50</u>	3,078.10
 Crestwood Lane, Sec. 11, 0.453 miles Bituminous Surface.		
Engineering Supervision	201.50	
Payment to Contractor	6,642.45	
Indirect Expense	<u>31.23</u>	6,875.18
 Bayview Dr. from Elmwood St. to Lake Harbor Rd. in Plat of Hendricks Lake Harbor Estates, Sec. 14 1021 ft. grade & 22 ft. 6 in. compacted gravel.		
Engineering Supervision	42.21	
Grade	212.82	
Gravel Surface	1,241.63	
Indirect Expense	<u>231.85</u>	1,728.51
 Vine St. from 123 ft. W. of Elmwood thence W. 768 ft. Plat of Hendricks Lake Harbor Estates, Sec. 14, 0.15 mi. Grade N. side of St. and place 11 ft. 6 in. compacted gravel.		
Engineering Supervision	24.12	
Grading	149.18	
Gravel Surface	524.58	
Indirect Expense	<u>108.11</u>	805.99

## Local Road Construction (Continued)

Sullivan Township		
P4-1 & 2, Summit, E. & W. 1/4 line of Sec. 5 & 6 between Brooks & Wolf Lake Rd. 1.95 mi. Grading & placing 22 ft. of 6 in. compacted gravel.		
Engineering Supervision	115.04	
Grading	2,115.88	
Gravel Surfacing	9,596.85	
Indirect Expense	<u>1,832.27</u>	13,660.04
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Total Local Road Construction		\$ 191,880.85

\*Denotes Construction not yet completed

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## MUSKEGON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

## Primary Road Maintenance

## 17.07 miles Concrete Surface Roads

Road Bed	1,284.61
Structures	1,123.22
Dragging	73.81
Patching	1,994.59
Snow Removal	1,696.93
Traffic Control	1,274.73
Engineering	<u>68.02</u>

\$ 7,515.91

## 252.82 miles Bituminous Surface Roads

Road Bed	39,155.94
Structures	12,788.95
Dragging	834.88
Patching	41,519.87
Resurfacing	79,625.43
Snow Removal	50,366.43
Traffic Control	19,540.90
Weed Control	4,100.52
Engineering	<u>912.23</u>

248,845.15

## 104.46 miles Gravel &amp; Unimproved Roads

Road Bed	12,666.95
Structures	2,704.03
Dragging	21,393.52
Patching	23,909.60
Dust Layer	798.81
Snow Removal	5,607.34
Traffic Control	589.96
Betterments	285.88
Engineering	273.32
Weed Control	<u>4,100.52</u>

72,329.93

328,690.99

## Highway Lighting

7,582.95

Total Primary Road Maintenance

\$ 336,273.94

## MUSKEGON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

## Local Road Maintenance

## 3.49 miles Concrete Surface Roads

Road Bed	161.18
Patching	175.56
Snow Removal	<u>21.47</u>

\$ 358.21

## 96.06 miles Bituminous Surface Roads

Road Bed	3,140.36
Structures	1,670.34
Dragging	275.87
Patching	6,361.13
Resurfacing	28,727.39
Snow Removal	6,185.33
Traffic Control	1,253.81
Engineering	<u>204.45</u>

47,818.68

## 725.95 miles Gravel &amp; Unimproved Roads

Road Bed	26,974.26
Structures	16,104.91
Dragging	80,248.10
Patching	47,992.07
Dust Layer	509.34
Resurfacing	2,962.90
Snow Removal	23,554.39
Traffic Control	2,464.15
Betterments	1,076.48
Engineering	<u>1,517.57</u>

203,404.17

Total Local Road Maintenance

\$ 251,581.06

## Local Road Maintenance By Townships

White River	10,222.24
Montague	8,700.80
Whitehall	4,188.38
Blue Lake	4,925.17
Holton	6,994.04
Fruitland	22,914.63
Dalton	19,448.77
Cedar Creek	11,889.19
Laketon	15,059.10
Muskegon	16,153.94
Egelston	18,355.58
Moorland	11,846.41
Casnovia	16,514.96
Norton	29,307.24
Fruitport	20,709.83
Sullivan	7,522.81
Ravenna	<u>26,827.97</u>

\$ 251,581.06

## State Trunk Line Mtnc.

Balance Due County December 31, 1953		\$ 72,441.45
1954 Charges		
Section 16-1	11,087.02	
20-1	3,415.88	
20-2	19,167.35	
31-1	7,443.38	
31-2	37,981.37	
31-3	37,456.78	
31-11	5,284.36	
37-1	2,108.24	
37-2	6,434.83	
46-1	18,346.55	
213-1	5,654.80	
213-2	10,216.78	
Miscellaneous	1,653.34	
Special Auth.	11,140.02	
31-2 Giles	<u>2,132.49</u>	

179,523.19

251,964.64

178,150.45

Received on Account

Balance Due County 12/31/54

\$ 73,814.19

## Classification of Trunk Line Maintenance Cost

Surfacing		
Patching	33,898.80	
Crack Filling	5,072.87	
Dragging	<u>2,488.84</u>	41,460.51
Shoulders		
Patching & Dragging		26,223.42
Drainage & Engineering		9,543.96
Guard Rail		1,423.53
Road Side		
Grass & Weed Cutting	4,445.77	
Road Side Development	4,667.21	
Road Side Development Special	<u>21,155.06</u>	30,268.04
Traffic Service		
Snow Removal	9,855.46	
Snow Fence	3,826.69	
Sanding	28,167.02	
Sweeping & Flushing	1,471.68	
Markers & Signs	5,715.36	
Traffic Signals	<u>588.81</u>	49,625.02
Dust Layer		530.85
Indirect Expense		10,125.11
Administrative Expense		<u>10,322.75</u>

\$ 179,523.19

## MUSKEGON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

## Equipment Account

New Equipment Purchased	Cost	Trade in Allowance	Cash Expenditures
2 Swenson Spreaders	730.00		730.00
3 Wagner Buckets	1,739.00		1,739.00
1 Chevrolet Sedan	1,403.00	750.00	653.00
1 Cab & Chassis- International	2,452.50	723.00	1,729.50
1 Power Mower - Whirlwind	562.00	162.00	400.00
2 Diamond T Dump Trucks	19,360.30		19,360.30
Motorola Radio Equip.	1,550.70		1,550.70
9 Chevrolet Dump Trucks	23,417.00	7,300.00	16,117.00
2 Chevrolet Pickups	3,066.62	1,177.52	1,889.10
1 Ford Tractor	1,693.80		1,693.80
2 Hydraulic Scrapers	2,755.27		2,755.27
1 Brillion Seeder	389.00		389.00
2 One Way Plows	1,714.80		1,714.80
1 Fitchburg Chipper	2,405.00		2,405.00
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
	\$ 63,238.99	\$ 10,112.52	\$ 53,126.47
Equipment Value 12/31/53	342,708.00		
	<u>          </u>		
	405,946.99		
Deduct Cost Value of Equipment traded in less Depreciation taken	10,112.52		
	<u>          </u>		
	395,834.47		
Less 1954 Depreciation	70,998.67		
	<u>          </u>		
Equipment Value 12/31/54	\$ 324,835.80		

## MUSKEGON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

## Accounts Receivable

	1953 Balance	1954 Charges	Rec'd. on Acct. Cash	Transfer Credits	Balance
Miscellaneous	19.08(CR)	3,512.62	3,493.54	-0-	-0-
Village of Casnovia	-0-	284.82	284.82	-0-	-0-
Village of Fruitport	69.72	531.75	411.77	-0-	189.70
Village of Ravenna	-0-	1,825.49	1,320.04	344.45	181.00
City of Montague	-0-	435.40	435.40	-0-	-0-
Norton Township	18.10	146.34	90.50	-0-	73.94
Muskegon Township	315.01	1,191.87	1,279.68	-0-	227.20
City of Muskegon Heights	70.93	44.79	70.93	-0-	44.79
Egelston Township	-0-	5.43	-0-	-0-	5.43
Courthouse	-0-	91.47	-0-	-0-	91.47
Casnovia Township	393.53	923.99	393.53	-0-	923.99
Newago County	-0-	121.22	121.22	-0-	-0-
	<u>\$ 848.21</u>	<u>\$ 9,135.19</u>	<u>\$ 7,901.43</u>	<u>\$ 344.45</u>	<u>\$ 1,737.52</u>

## Material Stores Account

	1953 Balance	Cash Purchases	Requisitioned	Debit	Credit
Truck & Auto Parts	17,414.29	19,737.95	21,105.52	16,046.72	
Gasoline (CR)	665.50	29,003.12	28,441.34		103.72
Lumber & Posts	317.50	117.65	189.45	245.70	
Kerosene (CR)	97.94	2,040.69	2,403.27		460.52
Motor Oil	2,660.38	2,521.87	2,466.81	2,715.44	
Paint	1,632.67	2,913.96	3,912.08	634.55	
Tar & Asphalt	1,175.92	1,006.20	745.80	1,436.32	
Culvert Pipe	3,492.45	4,589.98	5,998.63	2,083.80	
Calcium Chloride (CR)	204.10		1,052.09		1,256.19
Gravel	626.28	54,638.87	38,032.40	17,232.75	
Diesel Fuel	253.70	6,286.89	6,629.35		88.76
Cement (CR)	27.99	421.70	180.65	213.06	
Signs & Metal Posts	4,084.22	2,059.51	2,747.27	3,396.46	
Misc. Stock	1.98		1.98		
Heater Oil		620.82	620.82		
	<u>\$ 30,663.86</u>	<u>\$ 125,959.21</u>	<u>\$ 114,527.46</u>	<u>\$ 44,004.80</u>	<u>\$ 1,909.19</u>

## Administrative Expense

Printing, Binding & Misc. Office Expense		\$	1,514.86
Telephone			727.73
Postage			198.54
Traveling Expense			435.76
Fuel			271.44
Sanitary Supplies			726.08
Water			304.04
Light & Power (Office)			209.92
Legal Services			1,376.00
Commissioners Salaries			5,000.00
First Aid Supplies			59.85
Advertising			552.46
Clerical			22,515.31
Medical Expense			107.00
Depreciation on Office Bldgs.			900.00
Gas			52.74
Insurance - Robbery			55.00
Depreciation of Office Furniture & Equipment			484.66
Maintenance of Office Building & Grounds			1,413.44
		\$	36,904.83
Less: Overhead charged to Trunk Line Mtnce.	11,047.15		
" " " Accounts Receivable	1,183.88		
Depreciation on Office Building	900.00		
" " Office Equipment	<u>484.66</u>		
			<u>13,615.69</u>
		\$	23,289.14

## Indirect Expense

	Total	Less State Participation	
Maintenance of Misc. Equipment	\$ 2,220.24	\$	\$ 2,220.24
Engineering Salaries & Supervision	24,340.48		24,340.48
Engineering Dept. Expense	2,488.73		2,488.73
Vacation Wages Paid	12,997.78	3,807.92	9,189.86
Sign Shop	4,642.44		4,642.44
Sick Leave	5,927.93	920.84	5,007.09
Weighmaster Salary & Expense	2,111.65		2,111.65
Retirement Pension Fund	33,340.40	4,102.91	29,237.49
Superintendent Salaries	12,092.32		12,092.32
Life & Hospitalization Insurance	9,496.84		9,496.84
Holiday Expense	7,608.89		7,608.89
Small Tools Expense	2,834.89		2,834.89
Workman's Compensation Insurance	6,702.96	1,493.96	5,209.00
Property Damage	161.65		161.65
Picnic Wages Paid	1,550.01		1,550.01
Liability Insurance - General	763.42		763.42
	<u>129,280.63</u>	<u>10,325.63</u>	<u>118,955.00</u>
Total Charged to Construction & Maintenance Accts.			\$ 118,955.00

## MUSKEGON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

## Cash Account

Cash with County Treasurer December 31, 1953		\$	157,307.07
Deposited in County Road Account - 1954	1,245,165.17		
Vouchers Drawn on County Rd. Acct. - 1954	1,162,445.89		
Gain in Cash			<u>82,719.28</u>
Balance on hand December 31, 1954		\$	240,026.35

## County Road Equity Account

	December 31, 1953	December 31 1954
Cash with County Treasurer	157,307.07	240,026.35
Petty Cash	100.00	100.00
Accounts Receivable	848.21	1,727.52
Contract Receivable	1,102.76	545.21
State Trunk Line Maintenance	72,441.45	73,814.19
Land & Buildings	321,064.99	320,260.20
Equipment	342,708.00	324,835.80
Material in Stock	30,663.86	42,095.61
County Parks Expense Receivable	1,662.62	1,973.90
Office Furniture and Equipment	2,158.07	2,757.43
	<u>\$ 930,057.03</u>	<u>\$ 1,008,146.21</u>

## Land and Building Account

Land & Building Value December 31, 1953	\$	321,064.99
Capital Expenditures 1954:		
Asphalt Storage Facilities		<u>6,106.01</u>
		327,171.00
Less 1954 Depreciation		<u>6,910.80</u>
Value of Land & Building December 31, 1954	\$	320,260.20

MUSKEGON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

County Park Expenditures 1954

	Rd. Comm. Share -	County Park Expenditures Rd. Comm. Mtnce. of	Mtnce. of	Tables	Flags	Insurance	Total Expenditures
Caretakers							
Salary	886.73						886.73
Pioneer Park		Power	Grounds	Bldgs.			
Blue Lake Park		209.56	793.74	53.05	3,772.00	559.25	6,399.33
Twin Lake Park		81.45	49.82	252.15	85.50	311.08	698.55
Moore Park			129.74	195.20	171.00	329.10	906.49
Meinert Park			1,728.22	57.00		88.14	1,873.36
Patterson Park			23.08	57.00		102.35	182.43
Causeway Park			22.39			104.88	295.42
			4.00		80.70		84.70
	886.73	291.01	2,750.99	668.55	4,142.50	80.70	1,494.80

Total Expenditures 1954  
Balance Due Co. Rd. Fd. 12/31/53

10,440.28  
1,662.62  
12,102.90  
10,129.00  
\$1,973.90

Receipts by transfer from County Park Fund to County Road Fund.

Balance Due Co. Rd. Fd. Dec. 31, 1954

Balance in County Park Fund Dec. 31, 1953  
1954 Budget Appropriations

Total Available Funds  
Less Transfer to County Road Fund

Balance in County Park Fund  
12/31/54

- 0 -



MUSKEGON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

ACCIDENT SURVEY 1954

MON.	ACC.	CARS	INJ.	PED. INJ.	CAR-TRAIN INJ.	MOTC. INJ.	BIKE INJ.	PED. DEAD	CAR-TRAIN DEAD	MOTC. DEAD	1 CAR		2 CAR		3 CAR		TOTAL	
											DEAD	INJ.	DEAD	INJ.	DEAD	INJ.	DEAD	INJ.
Jan.	115	200	44	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1		
Feb.	102	180	51	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2		
Mar.	81	139	37	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2		
Apr.	86	153	47	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2		
May	71	117	40	0	1	3	3	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	3	2		
June	95	166	39	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	1		
July	88	159	51	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0		
Aug.	97	165	52	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2		
Sept.	81	135	55	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	1		
Oct.	113	202	55	6	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	0		
Nov.	91	162	53	5	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Dec.	97	168	45	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	4	4		

TOTALS: 1117 1946 569 31 3 8 10 1 1 1 1 2 13 2 20

BREAKDOWN BY TOWNSHIPS:

TOWNSHIPS	NO. ACC.	DEAD
Blue Lake	6	0
Casnovia	23	2
Cedar Creek	25	1
Dalton	103	1
Egelston	101	4
Fruitland	42	0
Fruitport	89	5
Holton	23	1
Laketon	33	0
Montague	15	0
Moorland	38	1
Muskegon	228	3
Morton	317	1
Ravenna	23	1
Sullivan	13	0

COMPARISONS:

YEAR	ACC.	INJ.	DEAD
1954	1117	569	20
1953	1298	700	23
1952	1200	661	34
1951	1329	711	26
1950	1011	492	17
1949	759	366	14

Whitehall 33 acc. 0 dead  
 White River 5 acc. 0 dead  
 TOTALS: 1117 acc. 20 dead

## MUSKEGON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

## SUDDEN DEATHS 1954

ACCIDENT FATALITIES

1. Roy Corrigan	Hornuck Duck Lake Rd.	Cedar Creek	1 car	1-26-54
2. H. Southwick	US 16 at Sternberg Rd.	Fruitport	2 car	2-26-54
3. W. Sheerin	Ellis & Squires Rd.	Havenna	car-train	3-25-54
4. L. Young	Russell Rd. at Bard	Dalton	3 car	3-27-54
5. M. Johnson	US 31 at Pontaluna	Norton	car-truck	4-10-54
6. J.J. Kenjesky	Fruitport S. Judson	Fruitport	Motorcycle	5-21-54
7. B. Preston	US 16 at Hile	Fruitport	2 car	5-30-54
8. O. Henderson	US 16 at Hile	Fruitport	2 car	5-30-54
9. L. Marble	M 46 at Behler Rd.	Casnovia	2 car	6-26-54
10. H. Robinson	M 46 at Behler Rd.	Casnovia	2 car	6-26-54
11. F. Franks	M 46 at E. Brooks	Egelston	Ped.	7-5-54
12. F. Gae	Maple Island at White	Egelston	2 car	7-21-54
13. J. Matel	Scenic Dr. at Duck Lake	Fruitland	2 car	9-4-54
14. E.N. Anderson	M 46 W. Moorland Rd.	Moorland	car-truck	9-21-54
15. J. Drake	M 213 at White Rd.	Egelston	2 car	10-2-54
16. L. Smith	Sheridan Dr. S. Burke	Muskegon	Ped.	10-8-54
17. F. Jahr	M 20 at Riblet Rd.	Muskegon	2 trucks	12-3-54
18. W. Halik	M 20 at Riblet Rd.	Muskegon	2 trucks	12-3-54
19. S. Aungst	M 46 at Lintner Rd.	Egelston	2 trucks-car	12-24-54
20. M. Jordan	M 20 E. Crocker Lake	Cedar Creek	1 car	12-25-54

CRIMINAL HOMICIDE

1. Mattie Lee Kimble	Shooting (Murder)	4-10-54
2. Alberta Adams	Shooting (Murder)	4-10-54
3. Donald Brown	Homicide (Case pending)	8-25-54
4. William Hilderbrandt	Shooting (Accidental)	10-9-54

SUICIDES

1. Harry Carlson	Hanging	3-9-54
2. Donald Pictl	Hanging	6-19-54
3. Floyd Conklin	Shooting	11-9-54
4. Warren J. Buwalda	Carbon Monoxide	12-15-54
5. Edward Angermire	Hanging	12-22-54

DROWNING

1. Roger Piper	Drowning	5-24-54
2. Nicholas Gales	Drowning	6-21-54
3. Harold Saunders	Drowning	8-16-54
4. Miles Schiller	Drowning	8-8-54
5. David Baker	Drowning	12-10-54
6. Terry Johnson	Drowning	12-10-54
7. James Ellison	Drowning	12-10-54

ACCIDENTAL DEATHS

1. Jay Skillman	Electrocution	8-26-54
2. Robert Aldinger	Fractured neck (Cause unknown)	8-30-54

TOTAL SUDDEN DEATHS: 38

TOTAL 1953 47

MUSKEGON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ARRESTS 1954

CLASSIFICATION	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTAL
Neg. Homicide, Manslaughter	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	2	0	1	1	0	7
Rape, Stat. Rape	0	0	0	0	1	3	1	3	0	0	0	0	8
Armed robbery-robbery	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	5	10
Felonious Assault	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	7
Breaking and Entering	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	4	5	7	4	0	24
Grand Larceny, Larceny	3	3	2	0	2	5	0	3	2	10	0	2	32
UDAA	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	6	0	1	0	0	11
Assault and Battery	2	3	3	0	1	0	2	5	0	3	2	5	27
Fraud	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3
Bad Checks, Forgery	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	1	1	8
Drunk and Disorderly	6	4	7	6	6	11	7	8	7	17	5	8	92
Revoked License	1	0	3	0	1	0	1	1	0	2	3	2	14
Non-support, Fel. Non-support	4	6	3	2	3	5	2	7	3	4	2	6	47
D. M. L.	4	1	2	0	1	6	1	0	2	2	2	1	22
Traffic	2	2	4	2	0	1	4	2	3	0	0	2	22
Illeg. poss. beer, liquor	3	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	3	0	0	1	10
Illeg. sale liquor	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Protective Custody	0	1	1	4	0	1	2	2	2	4	2	2	21
A. W. O. L.	2	1	2	1	5	0	2	1	1	1	1	0	16
Violation Parole, Probation	1	0	2	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	9
Leaving Scene Acc.	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	6
Bastardy	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	7
Contr. Del. Miners	5	0	1	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	1	0	12
Ind. Exp, Liberties	0	1	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	4
Body Attachment	0	1	2	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	7
Trespassing	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Felonious Driving	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Material Witness	0	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	7
Warrants	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	1	2	1	0	8	8
Inv. Felony	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	4
Reckless Driving	0	0	0	2	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	6
Violation Injunction	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Frequenting	0	0	0	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43
Operating gambling house	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
C. C. W.	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	3	0	5
Destruction Property	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	4
TOTALS:	43	29	38	71	34	54	33	57	37	55	32	27	520

MUSKEGON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS TICKETS ISSUED AND PROCESSED THROUGH COURT 1954

CLASSIFICATIONS	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOT.	FINES PD.	SS
Speeding	4	0	12	4	11	6	14	30	164	\$1792.00	4				
Operators Lic. Vio.	9	9	7	5	9	6	6	11	88	222.70	35			2	Juvenile Court
Fail Car U/control	6	5	0	4	1	0	0	0	20	192.00	0				
Fail stop stop sign	4	2	9	1	7	6	8	22	71	239.00	1				
Fail stop light	1	0	4	0	0	0	0	1	11	36.00	0				
Fail due camon	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	7	27.00	1				
Fail Y/T/W.	3	3	0	0	0	1	0	4	14	73.00	0				
Ill. parking	2	0	4	0	1	0	1	0	23	45.60	1				
Lic. plates viol.	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	9	33.60	2				
Light-car defects	0	0	1	1	1	2	4	0	11	14.00	6				
Wrong lane, VV line	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5.00	1				1
Illeg. passing	0	2	1	0	3	1	3	2	17	78.00	1				1
Improper turn	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	4	14.00	0				
Fail stop bus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3.00	0				
Careless driving	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	4	45.00	0				
Leav. scene acc.	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	3.00	0				

TOTALS: 31 26 36 37 43 66 26 14 36 22 38 72 447 \$2336.90 52 3 Juvenile Court

TRAFFIC WARRANTS ISSUED AND PROCESSED THROUGH COURT

CLASSIFICATIONS	NUMBER	FINES-COSTS	DAYS	REL-BOND	REL-OMN	PROB.	PRISON	SS
D. M. L.	24	\$1064.00	0	10	0	0	0	0
Revoked License	14	221.30	0	2	0	0	0	0
Leaving Scene Acc.	6	94.30	0	0	1	0	0	1
Traffic	16	392.90	0	2	0	0	0	0
Reckless, Fel. driv.	8	99.00	1	2	2	0	0	0
Running stop sign	1		0	0	1	0	0	0
Mansl. Neg. Homicide	2			1	0	0	1	2-15 years

TOTAL FINES \$4708.40

TOTAL ARRESTS 518

TOTALS

71 \$1871.50 1 17 2 3 1 1 1

## MUSKEGON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

## CRIMINAL AND NON-CRIMINAL COMPLAINTS ANSWERED 1954

<u>CLASSIFICATIONS</u>	<u>NUMBER REPORT</u>	<u>UNF.</u>	<u>TOTAL NO.</u>	<u>CLEARED CLOSED</u>	<u>CLEARED BY ARREST</u>
1. Criminal Homicide	5	2	3	0	3
2. Rape, Statutory Rape	10	2	8	1	3
3. Robbery-Armed Robbery	9	1	8	0	2
4. Felonious Assault	17	0	17	4	7
5. Breaking and Entering	266	10	256	0	87
6. Grand Larceny- Larceny	502	45	457	35	58
7. Car Theft, UDAA	55	8	47	23	19
8. Assault and Battery	62	6	56	15	21
9. Forgery	2	1	1	0	1
10. Embexelment & Fraud	60	12	48	24	24
11. Stolen Property	2	1	1	0	0
12. Unlawful Weapons, Firearms	71	12	59	19	9
13. Prostitution & Vice	4	1	3	0	1
14. Sex Offenses	22	2	20	2	10
15. Offenses against Family	23	7	16	6	10
16. Narcotics, Drug Laws	0	0	0	0	0
17. Liquor Laws	8	0	8	0	6
18. Drunkenness	10	1	9	5	2
19. Disorderly Conduct	23	7	16	12	3
20. Vagrancy	0	0	0	0	0
21. Gambling	1	1	0	0	0
22. Drunken Motor Law	17	2	15	2	3
23. Traffic Violations	145	14	131	65	15
24. Parking Violations	12	3	9	7	2
25. Violation Motor Vehicle Laws	6	0	6	2	1
26. ALL Other Offenses	594	34	561	178	101
27. Natural Deaths	13	0	13	13	0
28. Accidents	54	1	54	44	7
29. Other Accidents	66	4	62	60	1
30. Traffic Policing	13	0	13	13	0
31. Assistance	38	1	37	31	1
32. Speeches, Etc.	0	0	0	0	0
33. All Other Non-criminal	866	13	853	771	0
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>2976</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>2785</b>	<b>1332</b>	<b>397</b>

All complaints cannot be cleared by arrest. Many are cleared by diplomacy, warnings, and traffic work. Arrests were made in most cases where any criminal activity was evident. Those unsolved cases still remain open and are under investigation until such time as they are solved. Under the classification number 33, are listed such items as: family troubles, lost and found property, abandoned cars, dog bites, and animals at large, forest fires and safety work. Such calls require much time and work and still remain unheralded and unglorified. This report shows a total of 62% cases cleared, which is a very high average when considering the number of officers for the number of population in Muskegon County.

MUSKEGON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

RECORD OF INMATES IN THE MUCKEGON COUNTY JAIL 1954

MONTH	NO. INMATES	NO. LODGERS	NO. MEALS	NO. DAYS SPENT	AVERAGE NO. DAYS	COST PER MEAL AVERAGE
Jan.	229	67	3116	1119	4.89	16.6
Feb.	211	46	3348	1184	5.61	16.5
Mar.	234	68	3279	1208	5.16	17.1
Apr.	313	47	3553	1312	4.19	15.9
May	317	54	3882	1463	4.61	15.8
June	300	45	4815	1774	5.91	15.8
July	315	34	5060	1863	5.92	15.9
Aug.	335	56	4997	1833	5.47	16.
Sept.	284	46	5262	1882	6.61	15.5
Oct.	302	48	5071	1807	5.96	16.2
Nov.	230	28	3993	1365	5.93	17.9
Dec.	220	44	3895	1384	6.29	17.
TOTALS:	3290	584	50273	18194	5.04	16.3
COMPARISONS:						
1953	3596	514	46258	17279	4.30	13.74
1952	3674	608	46357	17111	4.59	14.7
1951	3033	782	48234			
1950	3175	1008	51180			
1949	3131	400	42800			

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MUSKEGON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

LICENSES PROCESSED TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT 1954

MONTH	ORIG. LIC.	MINOR RESTR.	OPER. LIC.	CHAUF. LIC.	OPER. DUP.	CHAUF. DUP.	SUPPL. EVENTS	CORRECTED LIC.	AMT. TO SEC. ST.	AMT. RET. TO COUNTY
Jan.	83	2	268	126	27	2	126		935.00	315.00
Feb.	100	0	295	113	23	0	139		991.50	350.50
Mar.	124	1	308	124	26	0	169		1109.00	514.00
Apr.	146	2	333	150	25	0	111	1	1272.00	479.00
May	169	4	396	124	38	3	158		1394.00	587.00
June	187	1	473	149	29	0	138		1599.50	677.00
July	156	5	470	125	26	0	195		1454.00	563.50
Aug.	185	1	553	112	57	4	149		1670.50	744.50
Sept.	153	4	599	151	28	0	263		1700.50	626.00
Oct.	143	2	603	158	22	1	175	1	1673.50	
Nov.	104	1	512	124	26	0	190		1355.00	
Dec.	61	0	498	128	19	2	219		1209.50	

TOT: 1611 23 5313 1584 12 1897 2 \$15154.50 \$4861.50

COMPARISONS

1954	1611	23	5313	1584	12	1897	2	15154.50
1953	294	289	8149	1592	6	1822	2	15122.25
1952		275	9020	1384	2	1798		14721.25
1951		211	7309	1295	20	1977		12058.25
1950		89	8501	1272				13635.50
1949		18	7124	1384				11788.00
1948		8	6249	1371				10909.25

MUSKEGON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

NON-FEEABLE PAPERS PROCESSED 1954

CLASSIFICATIONS	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTAL
Circuit Court Summons	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	9
Circuit Court Subpeons	0	0	0	16	28	7	0	0	2	0	0	24	77
Juvenile Court Summons	10	22	30	17	10	22	14	0	5	12	13	15	170
Juvenile Court Subpeonas	1	2	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Municipal Subpeonas	5	14	18	17	33	14	19	24	53	22	0	11	230
Municipal Court Summons	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	11
Probate Court Proofs	22	24	74	51	31	34	53	37	49	74	71	20	540
Liquor Comm. Summons	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5

TOTALS:	39	67	127	104	102	77	86	61	118	116	94	73	1064
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COMPARISONS:

1954 - 1064	1951 - 2003
1953 - 1005	1950 - 1395
1952 - 1714	1949 - 1351

WARRANTS CLEARED:	11	10	13	8	3	8	10	11	8	5	5	9	103
WARRANTS CLEARED DATING BACK BEFORE 1954	1	3	3	6	1	1	6	3	3	6	3	4	37
OPEN WARRANTS	1	3	3	6	1	1	6	3	3	6	3	4	37
OPEN WARRANTS DATING BACK BEFORE JANUARY 1954													74

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Above warrants are listed according to the months they were received in this department. The open warrants numbering 121 are those left at the end of December, 1954. These cases are where the subject has left the State and the County cannot extradite, or their whereabouts are as yet unknown. These warrants remain on file until the subject is apprehended, or they are cancelled by the prosecutor's office.

MUSKEGON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

FEASIBLE PAPERS SERVED AND PROCESSED 1954

CLASSIFICATION	JAN.	FEB.	MAR.	APR.	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG.	SEPT.	OCT.	NOV.	DEC.	TOTAL
C.C. Summons	22.60	39.45	31.20	41.25	58.15	37.55	23.80	48.35	27.80	55.05	50.60	15.20	457.00
C.C. Inj.	8.20	2.00		2.00	8.00		8.00	6.00	6.00		6.00	2.00	48.20
C.C. Order	2.75	2.75								2.75	4.60	2.15	15.00
C.C. Writ Restitution	6.55				3.15		14.10		8.60		10.85	3.15	35.55
S.S. Constable	2.45	7.40	.15	2.45	8.55	10.30	7.80					.20	52.30
C.C. Writ Habeas, Beard	28.00	28.00	49.00	35.00	14.00		16.90	28.00					198.90
C.C. Witness Subpoena	2.15	2.15	5.00	2.45	6.95		5.50		2.15	8.90	4.75	4.30	44.30
C.C. Declarations	4.00				5.00	3.20		3.50	10.95				26.65
C.C. Notice	2.30					5.35	4.60						16.20
C.C. Motion			3.95										2.15
C.C. Execution			2.15										9.70
C.C. Comm. Summons			2.50				1.40			5.05			3.85
C.C. Writ Habeas Corpus			2/45										2.60
C.C. Writ Exeat			2.60										2.75
C.C. Petition				2.75									5.05
C.C. Writ Attachment				5.05									2.45
C.C. Citation					2.45								2.45
C.C. Reprieve						4.40				2.30		2.15	8.85
M.C. Summons	1.85		5.45			4.65			3.20		4.00		3.20
M.C. Garnishee	3.10	1.50		1.70		1.90			1.55			3.40	20.90
M.C. Writ attachments			1.05										9.75
M.C. Witness Subpoena	1.45		1.45	2.05	1.45	2.60							1.05
J.C. Garnishee			1.45										2.60
J.C. Writ attachment			2.15								2.75		6.40
K.C. Summons			3.35										2.15
D.C. Bankruptcy			4.00										2.75
P.C. Summons			2/60										3.35
Notice to Quit	4.60	2.60		2.00		3.85	5.35			1.70		6.00	4.00
Posting Notices	.17					6.00							22.90
Telephone calls													12.00
Tax Notices			2.90		2.45	5.05		2.30	5.20	14.02	4.30	4.75	40.97
Mileage for Appraisal			.45										.45
P.C. Order	97.16	85.85	122.60	97.60	110.15	84.85	87.45	90.15	67.60	93.47	87.85	43.30	1066.14
TOTALS:													

## MUSKEGON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

## MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS 1954

## CIVIL PAPER COMPARISONS:

1954	-	\$1066.14
1953	-	755.90
1952	-	1212.57
1951	-	1114.10
1950	-	1313.78
1949	-	1158.06
1948	-	1136.71

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JUVENILE COMPLAINTS -- REFERRED TO JUVENILE COURT

1954	-	143
1953	-	123
1952	-	45
1951	-	34
1950	-	72
1949	-	41

BUDGET COMPARISONS:

1955	-	\$ 147,541.00	21,085	over	1954
1954	-	126,456.00	21,560	over	1953
1953	-	104,896.00	3,446	over	1952
1952	-	101,450.00	7,670	over	1951
1951	-	93,780.00	6,530	over	1950
1950	-	87,250.00	4,950	under	1949
1949	-	92,200.00	14,914	over	1948

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REFERRALS TO THIS DEPARTMENT BY THE PROSECUTORS OFFICE:

1954	-	30
1953	-	25

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PRISON ATTITUDE REQUESTS:

1954	-	28
1953	-	44

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BLOOD TESTS REFERRED TO STATE FOR ANALYSIS:

1954	-	10
1953	-	18

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BEER, WINE OR LIQUOR LICENSES:

Resort Class C.	2	
Transfer Ownership or location	13	1954 - 27
New S.D.M.	7	1953 - 43
Add Space	2	1952 - 57
Drop Partner	1	1951 - 45
New Club	1	
New S.D.D.	1	

## MUSKEGON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

## MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS 1954

## APPLICATIONS TO CARRY CONCEALED WEAPONS GRANTED:

1954	-	173
1953	-	171
1952	-	207

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MAN HOURS IN COURT:	1954	-	367
	1953	-	382
	1952	-	640

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TRANSPORTING PRISONERS:	1954	-	\$1290.97
	1953	-	1657.55
	1952	-	1639.70
	1951	-	1944.15
	1950	-	1273.20
	1949	-	956.30

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GUN REGISTRATIONS:	1954	-	260
	1953	-	295
	1952	-	258
	1951	-	200
	1950	-	172
	1949	-	175

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## FINGERPRINTS TAKEN AND PROCESSED TO THE STATE AND FBI:

1954	-	474
1953	-	267
1952	-	434
1951	-	375

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STOLEN PROPERTY RETURNED:	1954	-	\$39,413.31
	1953	-	43,948.64
	1952	-	85,425.06
	1951	-	19,063.07
	1950	-	20,873.41
	1949	-	11,281.60

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MISSING PERSONS REPORTED:	1954	-	134 reported	108 returned
	1953	-	85 reported	71 returned
	1952	-	311 reported	196 returned
	1951	-	146 reported	

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## PAROLEES REFERRED TO THIS DEPARTMENT:

1954	-	49	1952	-	81
1953	-	61	1951	-	53

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INTRODUCTION

To The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
Of Muskegon County Michigan

Gentlemen:

The Muskegon County Board of Social Welfare takes pleasure in presenting its annual report covering the calendar year ending December 31, 1954.

Incorporated in this report is a brief summary of the activities of the Muskegon County Bureau of Social Aid.

Respectfully submitted,

MUSKEGON COUNTY BOARD OF SOCIAL WELFARE

E. Harry Norris, Chairman  
William J. Houle  
C. R. Peoples



William B. Lindsay, Director  
WBL/jd

SOCIAL WELFARE DIRECT RELIEF ACCOUNTFOR YEAR 1954DIRECT RELIEF EXPENDITURES

Cash Payments	246,015.89	
Food	163,436.71	
Fuel	29,863.36	
Clothing	13,944.24	
Medical	29,665.57	
Burial	1,125.00	
Housekeeping Services	101.50	
Dental	169.50	
Water & Lights	5,993.46	
Rent	124,677.29	
Household Necessities	742.96	
Other Counties	11,665.39	
Board & Room	9,473.76	
Nursing Home Care	14,675.47	
Transportation /1	3,167.14	
Bulk Commodities (gloves & bedding)	347.93	
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Total Direct Relief Expenditures		655,065.17
Less Refunds /2		28,493.84
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TOTAL NET DIRECT RELIEF COSTS		626,571.33

/1 This item was used to help transport work relief clients from their homes for which the following projects received man-hours as follows:

Animal Shelter	4,176
Court House	4,616
Dalton Township	3,512
Egelston Township	26,680
Fruitport Township	24,072
Glenside School	944
Hackley Hospital	192
Laketon Township Cemetery	2,656
City of Muskegon	7,624
McGraft Park	2,536
Muskegon County Airport	576
Muskegon County Convalescent Hospital	17,120
Muskegon Township	13,688
City of North Muskegon	36,992
Pillsbury Bldg. & County Cemetery	10,848
Ravenna Township	1,928
Recreational Project	5,528
Reeths-Puffer School	3,256

/2 Included in this figure is \$20,360.89 received from other counties in repayment of assistance granted residents of their respective counties.

SOCIAL WELFARE DIRECT RELIEF FUND SUMMARY

Cash on Hand January 1, 1954	52,109.46	
State Balance	- 8,218.42	
Local Balance	60,327.88	
Local Contributions	299,500.00	
State Contributions	305,425.00	
Refunds	28,493.84	
Total Amount Available		685,528.30
LESS EXPENDITURES		655,065.17
Cash on Hand December 31, 1954		30,463.13
State Balance	- 16,079.09	
Local Balance	46,542.22	
Less Accounts Payable December 31, 1954		28,348.43
UNOBLIGATED CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1954		2,114.70

SUPPLEMENTAL AID FOR 1954

	OLD AGE ASSISTANCE	AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN	AID TO THE BLIND	AID TO THE DISABLED	TOTAL
JAN.	\$1,222.44	\$524.46	\$60.78	\$326.60	\$2,134.28
FEB.	1,128.18	466.32	33.70	496.36	2,124.56
MAR.	1,132.02	463.67	91.42	369.98	2,057.09
APR.	1,343.25	606.82	45.71	492.30	2,488.08
MAY	1,554.35	654.58	77.09	503.04	2,789.06
JUNE	1,610.24	831.71	64.69	387.56	2,894.20
JULY	1,515.76	592.16	35.76	371.92	2,515.60
AUG.	1,733.51	718.64	122.71	427.25	3,002.11
SEP.	1,569.83	649.96	21.95	392.73	2,634.47
OCT.	1,167.29	990.75	71.95	423.54	2,653.53
NOV.	1,136.89	1,285.47	47.05	487.64	2,957.05
DEC.	1,691.22	1,337.27	246.49	372.19	3,647.17
TOTAL	16,804.98	9,121.81	919.30	5,051.11	31,897.20

STATISTICAL COMPARISONS

	Cases Receiving Relief		Applications Rec'd		Cases Opened	
	<u>1953</u>	<u>1954</u>	<u>1953</u>	<u>1954</u>	<u>1953</u>	<u>1954</u>
January	315	590	106	276	66	189
February	323	665	74	302	56	186
March	320	763	112	332	81	207
April	306	804	92	275	61	163
May	294	796	63	214	49	125
June	266	849	79	266	47	183
July	265	821	86	229	58	113
August	276	775	77	228	62	112
September	295	790	105	255	61	141
October	306	838	148	260	91	151
November	397	910	212	278	152	175
December	516	951	246	256	195	175
Average Case Load	\$232.25	796				
Average Cost per case	\$52.28	\$65.60				
Total Applications Received for year			1400	3171		
Total Cases opened for year					979	1920

## CASE LOADS AND COMMITMENTS BY POLITICAL SUBDIVISION - YEAR 1954

UNIT	AVERAGE CASE LOAD	TOTAL COST
Blue Lake Township	14.75	16,972.95
Casnovia Township	2.66	1,470.45
Cedar Creek Township	9.92	10,810.12
Dalton Township	31	31,247.86
Egelston Township	49.83	46,210.63
Fruitland Township	10.33	12,837.41
Fruitport Township	13.33	12,110.24
Holton Township	6.75	6,433.45
Laketon Township	5.75	6,107.13
Montague City	1.42	526.29
Montague Township	1.25	1,141.60
Moorland Township	4.42	4,790.91
Muskegon Township	68	58,581.93
North Muskegon City	2	1,952.19
Norton Township	43	32,291.30
Ravenna Township	1.33	1,378.09
Sullivan Township	8.66	9,320.20
Whitehall City	4.25	3,280.83
Whitehall Township	1	309.90
White River Township	2.33	2,604.94
Roosevelt Park City	.42	298.24
Muskegon Heights	149	122,992.14
City of Muskegon	343.25	258,362.73
Convalescent Homes	32	16,205.84

SOCIAL WELFARE GENERAL ACCOUNTFOR YEAR 1954ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES

Personal Service	
Board and Director	8,916.00
Other Employees	86,242.43
Office Supplies	3,401.09
Telephone and Postage	2,763.52
Equipment Repairs	571.18
Office Rental	2,400.00
Light and Water	734.05
Fuel	827.64
Administrative Travel	2,315.57
Building Maintenance	960.85
Equipment Rental	97.43
Compensation Insurance	139.57
Bond Premiums	144.37
Equipment	1,665.63

Total Administrative Expenditures	111,179.33
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Less Refunds (Postage used on Bureau Mail)	<u>560.16</u>
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TOTAL NET ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS	110,619.17
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Carried Forward	110,619.17
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Brought Forward

110,619.17

COUNTY CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL EXPENDITURES

Personal Services /1	178,474.22	
Food /2	33,751.40	
Fuel	5,155.56	
Clothing and Bedding	1,701.77	
Medical	23,355.00	
Supplies	15,332.75	
Building Maintenance	4,728.36	
Equipment Repairs	674.02	
Telephone-Telegraph-Postage	264.15	
Lights-Water-Power	4,423.29	
Truck Expense and Trans. Charges	343.19	
Refunds to Clients	57.60	
Legal Fees	29.00	
Compensation Insurance	<u>1,363.04</u>	
		269,653.35
Capital Outlay - Building	3,930.22	
Equipment	2,071.38	
X-ray and Installation	10,634.31	
Boiler Installation	<u>38,313.80</u>	
		<u>54,949.71</u>
Total County Convalescent Hospital		324,603.06
Less Refunds /3		<u>146,652.64</u>
TOTAL NET COUNTY CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL EXPENDITURES		177,950.42

Carried Forward

288,569.59

- /1 Includes \$2,376.00 salary paid Dental Assistant.
- /2 This figure includes \$336.25 paid the Taylor Produce Company of Holland, Michigan, for storage on the following items which were received from the Surplus Commodities Commission at no cost to us:

Butter	2,815 pounds
Cotton Oil	49 gallons
Cheese	4,957 pounds
Canned Beef	2,323 - 30 ounce cans
Dried Milk	1,305 pounds
Shortening	252 pounds
Hamburg	1,290 pounds
Cranberries	540 pounds
Potatoes	2,000 pounds
Olive Oil	4 gallons
Dried Beans	490 pounds

/3 Refunds Include:

Old Age Assistance payments	82,914.70
Aid to the Blind payments	1,770.50
Aid to the Disabled payments	10,247.00
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Total Social Aid Payments	94,932.20
Social Security payments	19,647.40
Miscellaneous payments	29,871.04
Refunds from Other Counties	2,202.00
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TOTAL COUNTY CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL REFUNDS	146,652.64

Brought Forward 288,569.59

HOSPITALIZATION EXPENDITURESCHRONIC

Hackley Hospital	5,333.00
Mercy Hospital	882.00
Osteopathic Hospital	-0-
Medical Contract	1,050.00

Total Chronic Hospitalization	7,265.00
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EMERGENCY

Hackley Hospital	53,816.87
Mercy Hospital	17,598.37
Osteopathic Hospital	4,180.47
Miscellaneous Hospitals	2,757.60
Medical Contract	24,845.35
Ambulance	430.40
Other Counties	4,218.23

Total Emergency Hospitalization	107,847.29
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CONFINEMENTS ONLY

Hackley Hospital	2,215.50
Mercy Hospital	1,124.00
Osteopathic Hospital	1,010.00
Doctors	3,230.20

Total Confinements Only	7,579.70
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ANN ARBOR HOSPITALIZATION

University Hospital	3,811.78
Transportation	-0-

Total Ann Arbor Hospitalization	3,811.78
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Total Hospitalization Costs	126,503.77
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Budgetary Amounts paid OAA Clients from Direct Payment checks	<u>144.50</u>
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Grand Total Hospitalization Costs	126,648.27
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Less Refunds (includes \$9,577.95 received from other counties)	<u>27,055.35</u>
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TOTAL NET HOSPITALIZATION COSTS	99,592.92
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Carried Forward

388,162.51

Brought Forward 388,162.51

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>Gross Cost</u>	<u>Refunds</u>	<u>Net Cost</u>
Probate Court Cases	1,276.50	1,276.50	-0-
Burials	455.00	135.80	319.20
County Property	438.89	388.50	50.39
Other Counties - Convalescent Hospitals	378.40		378.40
County Cemetery	630.67	439.54	191.13
Out-State Transportation	933.97	1,408.35	474.38 Cr
Truck Expense	505.89		505.89
Red Star Hospitalization		1,992.35	1,992.35 Cr
Amounts paid to Clients and State Dept. of Social Welfare on over- payments on Direct Payment checks	2,873.19	2,873.19	-0-
Misc. (replacement of stolen check)	75.10		75.10
	<u>7,567.61</u>	<u>8,514.23</u>	<u>946.62 Cr</u>

TOTAL NET GENERAL ACCOUNT COSTS

387,215.89

SOCIAL WELFARE GENERAL FUND SUMMARY

Cash on Hand January 1, 1954	46,605.32	
Local Contributions	341,086.00	
Refunds	182,782.38	
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Total Available		570,473.70
Less Expenditures		
Administrative	111,179.33	
Convalescent Hospital	324,603.06	
Hospitalization	126,648.27	
Miscellaneous	7,567.61	
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Total Expenditures		569,998.27
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CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1954		475.43

1954 ANNUAL REPORT  
MUSKEGON COUNTY BUREAU OF SOCIAL AID

The following report gives you in very brief form information as to the number of cases receiving categorical assistance and the amount of money involved in these grants. Since the money involved comes entirely from State and Federal sources, it represents a very substantial amount of money coming to Muskegon County from outside sources.

The year of 1954 saw a further decline in the number of old age assistance cases. This is a general trend which is caused primarily by the revisions in the Social Security Act, which both increased the amount of the Social Security payments and also extended coverage to additional groups not previously covered.

The aid to dependent children, aid to the blind and aid to disabled programs varied only slightly from the previous year.

Respectfully submitted,



Elwin T. White, Supervisor  
Muskegon County Bureau of Social Aid

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NUMBER OF CASES AND AMOUNTS OF ASSISTANCE

MONTH	OLD AGE ASSISTANCE		AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN		AID TO BLIND		AID TO DISABLED	
	CASES	AMOUNT	CASES	AMOUNT	CASES	AMOUNT	CASES	AMOUNT
January	1,367	\$72,863.50	491	\$42,958.50	44	\$2,479.00	52	\$3,240.50
February	1,356	72,580.00	496	43,532.50	46	2,625.50	53	3,329.00
March	1,356	71,931.00	495	44,096.00	46	2,557.50	54	3,443.50
April	1,343	71,564.00	503	45,434.00	46	2,607.00	53	3,339.50
May	1,333	70,985.50	499	45,796.00	46	2,596.00	55	3,490.00
June	1,308	69,554.00	515	46,786.50	47	2,677.00	55	3,477.50
July	1,299	69,117.50	524	48,133.00	47	2,684.50	54	3,524.00
August	1,292	69,289.50	526	49,081.00	49	2,814.00	54	3,436.00
September	1,293	69,253.00	536	50,162.00	47	2,713.00	56	3,541.50
October	1,294	69,584.50	543	51,491.00	48	2,772.50	56	3,498.00
November	1,276	68,489.00	538	50,816.50	52	3,100.50	55	3,425.50
December	1,273	68,360.50	523	49,621.00	50	3,034.50	55	3,422.50
TOTALS Monthly Averages	15,790	\$843,572.50	6,190	\$567,908.00	568	\$32,661.00	652	\$41,167.50
	1,316	\$70,297.70	516	\$47,325.66	47	\$2,721.75	54	\$3,430.63

TOTAL GRANTS 1954

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE	\$843,572.50
AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN	567,908.00
AID TO BLIND	32,661.00
AID TO DISABLED	<u>41,167.50</u>
TOTAL	\$1,485,309.00

## MUSKEGON COUNTY SOLDIERS RELIEF COMMISSION

Muskegon, Michigan

January 12, 1955

Total number of calls at office of Secretary for 1954 - - - - 333

World War 1	188
World War II	38
Spanish American War	5
Peace time Veterans	2
Calls directed to other agencies	<u>100</u>
TOTAL	333

Orders were granted as follows:

Rent	\$23.00
Food	606.46
Fuel	67.87
Lights	4.95
Ambulance Service	278.56
Hospital Expense	<u>511.76</u>

TOTAL \$1,492.60

Burial Claims received and investigated - - - - -	51
Burial claims allowed	45
Burial claims rejected	6
Burial claims paid	\$4,500.00

Salaries of Commission:

Forrest Hall, Chairman	\$ 100.00
Charles Redman, Commissioner	100.00
Merritt D. Corbus, Sec.	650.00

Respectfully submitted

Merritt D. Corbus  
Secretary.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE COUNTY TREASURER

1954

	<u>Debit</u>	<u>Credit</u>
Balance on hand January 1, 1954	\$ 606,514.97	
Total Receipts of the County Treasurer during the year 1954 as shown by Schedule "A"	11,512,114.63	
Total Disbursements for the year 1954 as shown by Schedule "B"		11,309,169.70
Disbursements by Refund of Probate Bond Securities		4,234.25
Petty Cash - County Road Comm. Increase	80.00	
Balance December 31, 1954		805,305.65
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	\$ 12,118,709.60	\$ 12,118,709.60
On Deposit in National Lumberman's Bank		
County General Account Overdraft	21,732.37	
County Treasurer's Account		467,924.49
County Road Account		240,026.35
County Direct Relief Account		30,463.13
Probate Bond Account		13,169.05
Probate Bond Securities in Safe Deposit Box		74,440.00
Cash in County Treasurer's Office		500.00
Imprest Cash Account - Petty Cash in County Offices		515.00
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		\$ 805,305.65
December 31, 1954 Balance Funds charged to County Treasurer		\$ 805,305.65

## SCHEDULE "A"

RECEIPTSDELINQUENT TAX COLLECTIONS

January	\$ 26,441.42
February	18,891.45
March	40,316.81
April	92,613.23
May	62,004.79
June	42,523.24
July	37,695.71
August	37,768.86
September	29,436.62
October	27,260.30
November	30,950.98
December	35,769.31

\$ 481,672.72

Collection of Tax Fund

1,618,592.26

TAX SALE

13,919.33

For Airport Fund	39,437.58
For Airport Expansion Fund	748.22
For Board of Education Fund	26,853.49
For Civil Defense Fund	25.70
For County Home Sewer and Water Fund	5,331.63
For County Road Fund	1,235,029.32
For County Sanatorium Fund	177,178.33
For Court & Individual Trust Fund (Employees Contributions)	150,545.62
For Drain Fund	783,440.09
For Escheats Fund (Estates in Trust)	1,277.31
For Federal and State Fees Fund	2,725.59
Inheritance Tax (All State)	57,525.77
For Juvenile Court Restitution Fund	1,130.56
For Manistee National Forest Tax Fund	275.89
For Muskegon County Health Unit Fund	17,916.24
For Muskegon County Library Fund	21,449.99
For Primary School and State Aid	4,070,800.72
For Probate Bond Fund	10,600.00
For Redemption Fund	17,841.57
For Refund Account (Overpayment taxes, etc.)	30,272.57
For Sales Tax Diversion Fund	1,854,274.97
For Social Welfare General Fund	182,782.38
For Social Welfare Direct Relief Fund	333,918.84
For State Land Auction Sales Fund	686.47
For State Swamp Land Tax Fund	85.56
For State Tax Fund	1,658.62
For Teachers' Institute Fees Fund	597.50
For Township, City and Village Fund	181,117.59
For Veterans' Trust Fund	18,275.00

FOR LIBRARY FUND (Fines Collected as follows:)

County Clerk, Library	\$	2,259.00
George Dill, Justice - Dalton Township		927.00
Ralph E. Schultz, Justice - Egelston Twp.		57.00
C. J. Rennells, Justice - Fruitport Twp.		3,139.00
Maude Leonard, Justice - Muskegon Twp.		11,808.35
Matthew C. Locke, Justice - Norton Twp.		40.00
Judge Henry Beers - City Municipal Court		2,615.20
Bernard Cook - Muskegon Heights Municipal Court		6,087.00
Lawrence Buitendorp - Probation Officer		<u>4,034.75</u>

\$ 30,967.30

FOR GENERAL FUND

Addressograph Printing & Transfer Binders	\$	757.65
Change of Name Fees		36.00
Court Costs (Municipal Court & Justice)		6,536.00
Delinquent Personal County Tax		9,970.03
Dog Tax - Treasurers' Collections		7,143.00
Dog Warden Collections		4,235.00
Dog Shelter Fees - Seizure		659.00
Dog Shelter Fees - Board		764.00
Dog Shelter - Kennel License & Sale of Old Stove		317.50
Interest on U.S. Treas. Notes		3,722.47
Fees - Opening Safe Deposit Boxes		144.93
Friend of Court - Handling Fees		1,782.00
Judge of Probate - Exam. & Conveying Insane, etc.		5,460.00
Juvenile Court - Refund Board & Care		2,003.25
Naturalization Fees to County		287.50
Operator's License Fees		5,902.50
Probation Officer - Oversight & Costs		4,534.93
Sales of Dog License Tags		10.00
Expense to return Floyd Lawrence from California		400.00
Refund Hospitalization T.B. Cases U. of M.		6,729.50
Refund Hospitalization Traverse City Hospital		354.08
Refund - Anton Seifert Retirement Check		255.78
Paid Tax not returned Delinquent		13.21
Register of Deeds - Fees		44,706.68
Part Payment Burial of William LaCross		27.89
Rental - Gravel Pit Farm		200.00
Rental - Mich. Title & Muskegon Trust Co. Space in Register of Deeds Office		540.00
Sheriff's Fees		1,065.64
Tax Certificates		1,187.20
Tax Histories		3,242.81
Taxes on U.S. Housing Projects		7,767.80
Trailer Coach & License Fees		<u>1,861.50</u>

\$ 122,617.85

FROM COUNTY CLERK GENERAL FUND AS FOLLOWS:

Entry Fees - Law	\$ 1,280.66
Entry Fees - Chancery	2,594.00
Jury Fees	51.00
Stenographers Fees	117.00
Judgment Fees - Law	419.00
Decree Fees - Chancery	1,044.00
Notary Certificates and Jurats	26.50
Certified Copies	1,783.00
Notary Commissions	322.00
Doctors & Nurses Registration, etc.	110.00
Justice Transcripts	28.00
Appeal Fees - Supreme Court	75.00
Marriage Licenses	2,158.00
Assumed Name Certificates	644.00
Co-Partnerships	115.00
Registration Fees - Out-State-Births	30.00
Concealed Weapon Permits	223.00
Fee - Liquor Identification Cards	400.00
Miscellaneous Postage	870.52
Fee - Passport Applications	133.00
Tax Notices	11.00
Commission on Pay 'Phone	13.70
Animal Shelter - Sale of Equipment	300.00
Dissolutions	122.00
Election Bonds Posted in lieu of signatures on Petitions	1,300.00
County Clerk - Court Costs -	490.30
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	\$ 14,660.68

REFUNDS:

Controller - Central Stores	37.26
County Treasurer - Telephone	11.75
Circuit Court - Telephone & Remodeling	87.26
Animal Shelter - Insurance 406-406A-542	307.43
Drain Commissioner - Telephone	.15
Register of Deeds	81.47
County Jail - Sheriff	2,560.83
Court House Annex - Sale of Equipment	10.00
Probate Court	3.90
County Clerk	65.40
Agricultural Agt. 4-M Center Bldg. Fund	17.64
Hospitalization Account	2,130.94
Board of Supervisors - Central Stores	25.24
Court House - C.T.L.	58.90
Recount 15th Precinct	75.00
Miscellaneous - Flower Account	66.76
Soldier and Sailor's Burial	341.44
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	\$ 5,881.37

TOTAL CASH RECEIPTS FOR 1954	\$ 11,512,114.63
Petty Cash - County Road Comm. - Increase	80.00
JANUARY 1, 1954 BALANCE	606,514.97
TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE ACCOUNTED FOR	<hr/> \$ 12,118,709.60

## SCHEDULE "B"

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid Township, City and Village Treasurers and the Public Schools of the City of Muskegon in settlement for Delinquent Taxes and Primary School Interest Funds:

Township, City and Villages	\$ 547,987.34
Primary School Fund	<u>4,070,800.72</u>
TOTAL	\$ 4,618,788.06
Paid Auditor General for Inheritance Tax	\$ 57,525.77
Paid for Checks drawn by County Clerk out of General Fund	755,151.38
Paid for Probate Bond Fund	1,500.00
Paid from Teachers' Institute Fund	601.70
Paid from County Sanatorium Fund	259,993.75
Paid from Escheats Fund (Estates in Trust)	4,029.13
Paid from Temporary Relief Fund	1,586.07
Paid from County Road Fund	1,162,445.89
Paid from Drain Fund	840,995.68
Paid from Revolving Drain Fund	24,605.28
Paid from Muskegon County Airport Fund	42,984.22
Paid from Muskegon County Library Fund	39,922.41
Paid from County Law Library Fund	1,575.50
Paid from Library Fund	25,314.72
Paid from Muskegon County Health Unit Fund	77,007.67
Paid from Court and Individual Trust Fund	150,611.07
Paid from Refund Fund	30,273.68
Paid from Social Welfare General Fund	569,998.27
Paid from Social Welfare Direct Relief Fund	655,065.17
Paid from Redemption Fund	9,976.50
Paid from State Land Sales Fund	523.54
Paid from Juvenile Court Restitution Fund	146.30
Paid from State Tax Fund - Auditor General Settlements	1,836.12
Paid from Veterans' Trust Fund	19,042.09
Paid from County Board of Education	84,602.57
Paid from Forest Commission	35.00
Paid from Delinquent Tax Fund	116.67
Paid from State Swamp Land Tax Fund	85.56
Paid from Sales Tax Diversion Fund	1,854,274.97
Paid from Manistee National Forest Fund	275.89
Paid from Civilian Defense Fund	549.27
Paid from Tax Sale Fund	136.97
Paid from Federal and State Fees Fund	2,732.59
Paid from Airport Expansion	<u>14,860.24</u>
Paid from DISBURSEMENTS by Check	\$ 11,309,169.70
Refund - Probate Bond Securities	<u>4,234.25</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$ 11,313,403.95

GENERAL FUND 1954LEDGER ACCOUNT

January 1, 1954 Balance		\$ 63,567.97
Cash Receipts	\$ 143,583.90	
Credit Transfers	<u>1,526,233.51</u>	
		1,669,817.41
Less Disbursements		
By Check	755,151.38	
Debit Transfers	<u>999,966.37</u>	
		1,755,117.75
General Fund Dec. 31, 1954 Debit Balance		<u>21,732.37</u>
	\$ 1,755,117.75	\$ 1,755,117.75

CLASSIFICATION OF GENERAL FUND 1954

January 1, 1954 \$ 63,567.97

## Department Cash Receipts:

County Treasurer	\$ 56,486.35
Sheriff	1,065.64
Dog Warden Animal Shelter	5,975.50
Probation Officer	4,534.93
Probate Judge Fees & Refunds	5,460.00
Probate Judge Juvenile	
Division	2,003.25
Register of Deeds	45,246.68
Co. Gravel Pit Farm - Rent	200.00
County Clerk	20,829.55
Friend of the Court	<u>1,782.00</u>

143,583.90

## Credit Transfer Vouchers:

Current Tax Collections	1,408,635.58
Delinquent Tax Collections	112,217.08
Tax Sale	3,693.14
State Land Sales	139.24
Refunds	
Court and Individual	
Trust Fund	461.52
County Law Library	75.00
County Health	378.58
Board of Education	198.00
State Tax Fund	<u>435.37</u>

1,526,233.51

Total Credits - General Fund - 1954 1,733,385.38

General Fund Dec. 31, 1954 Overdraft 21,732.37

\$ 1,755,117.75

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CLASSIFICATION OF GENERAL FUND  
1954

## General Fund Expenditures 1954:

Addressograph Department	\$ 4,780.96
Agricultural Agent	12,863.80
Animal Shelter	19,304.65
Board of Supervisors	20,770.52
Burial of War Veterans	5,100.00
Capital Improvements	11,868.54
Controller	19,867.92
Circuit Court	56,711.92
Contagious Disease Expense	17,980.69
Coroner	4,981.42
County Clerk	30,790.15
County Museum	5,000.00
County Treasurer	42,121.25
Court House and Grounds	22,205.69
Drain Commissioner	6,037.27
Elections	15,237.18
Friend of the Court	19,751.64
Hospitalization - Emergency	25,000.10
Judge of Probate	110,365.21
Justice Court	14,787.13
Miscellaneous	28,814.07
Prosecuting Attorney	30,299.23
Ravenna Fair 4-H Club	1,000.00
Register of Deeds	36,375.54
Sheriff	134,334.21
Soldiers' Relief Commission	849.94
State Institutions	57,351.41
Tax Allocation Commission	600.94

General Fund Expenditures by check

\$ 755,151.38

## Debit Transfer Vouchers - 1954

## 1954 Budget Appropriations

Retirement Fund	\$ 40,982.25
Building Authority	10,000.00
County Health Unit	60,052.00
Board of Education	52,419.00
Checks Drawn on Co. Treas. a/c "A" in error	14.25
County Sanatorium Maintenance	134,825.00
County Parks	10,075.00
Muskegon County Library	15,350.00
Social Welfare General Fund - County	303,086.00
Social Welfare Direct Relief - County	299,500.00
General Fund Boiler	38,000.00
Airport Expansion	30,000.00
Friend of the Court error Library	
Fund Receipts	424.00
Civil Defense	5,000.00
Auditor General Refunds	238.87

General Fund Disbursements by Transfer Vouchers

\$ 999,966.37

Total Disbursements General Fund for 1954

\$ 1,755,117.75

January 1, 1955 - GENERAL FUND (Overdraft)

\$ 21,732.37

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS BY MONTHSFOR YEAR 1954

	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>
January 1, 1954 - Balance	\$ 606,514.97	
January	1,990,475.63	\$ 1,115,807.37
February	1,342,825.16	770,564.14
March	1,489,012.33	1,082,734.70
April	680,889.75	908,033.91
May	1,344,810.91	1,310,337.11
June	451,862.40	741,437.23
July	336,210.67	636,051.88
August	1,061,775.84	1,173,597.22
September	964,461.76	1,165,468.90
October	263,646.10	574,571.91
November	1,192,588.81	1,234,212.19
December	393,555.22	596,353.14
Disbursement by Refund Probate Bond Securities		4,234.25
Petty Cash - County Road Comm. Increase	80.00	
BALANCE - December 31, 1954		805,305.65
	<hr/> \$ 12,118,709.60	<hr/> \$ 12,118,709.60

TRIAL BALANCE  
FOR MONTH ENDING  
DECEMBER 31, 1954.

	<u>DEBITS</u>	<u>CREDITS</u>
General Fund	21,732.37	
Airport Fund		19,566.94
Airport Expansion Fund		20,274.15
Board of Education Fund	3,201.78	
Civilian Defense Fund		10,790.22
Collection of Taxes		77,107.04
County Forest Commission Fund		29.25
County Health Fund		602.74
County Home Improvement Fund	8,287.68	
County Home Sewer and Water Fund		13,838.41
County Law Library Fund		523.04
County Road Fund		240,026.35
County Sanatorium Fund		54,422.43
Court and Individual Trust Fund		48,018.94
Covert Road Redemption Fund		4,590.38
Delinquent Tax Fund		35,762.31
Drain Fund		118,574.89
Drain Revolving Fund		3,421.73
Escheats Fund		35,981.50
4-H Center Building Fund		116.93
Imprest Cash Fund		515.00
Juvenile Court Restitution Fund		1,102.41
Library Fund		17,161.25
Muskegon County Library Fund		6,671.89
Post War Planning Fund		1,066.97
Probate Bond Fund		87,609.05
Redemption Tax Fund		3,382.88
Social Welfare - General Relief Fund		475.43
Social Welfare - Direct Relief Fund		30,463.13
State Tax Fund		153.22
Teachers Institute Fund		2,238.16
Temporary Relief Fund		2,517.31
Veterans' Trust Fund		1,523.53
	<u>ACCOUNTS</u>	
County Treasurer's	805,305.65	
Imprest Cash	515.00	
Probate Bond Securities	74,440.00	
Cash Account	500.00	
National Lumberman's Bank- Co. Treasurer	467,924.49	
National Lumberman's Bank - Co. General Overdraft		21,732.37
National Lumberman's Bank- Direct Relief	30,463.13	
National Lumberman's Bank- County Road	240,026.35	
National Lumberman's Bank- Probate Bond	13,169.05	
SURPLUS		805,305.65
	<u>\$ 1,665,565.50</u>	<u>\$ 1,665,565.50</u>

Receipts, Certificates, Tax Histories and Postings issued by the  
Treasurers Department.

1954

Tax receipts	10,022
County Treas. receipts	2,328
Dog License receipts	815
Other department receipts	<u>295</u>
Total -	13,460
Deed Certificates	4,703
Redemption Certificates	<u>457</u>
Total -	5,160
Tax Histories	4,691
Pieces of Mail received	4,191
Pieces of Mail outgoing	
Registered	126
1950 Tax notices	3,222
Other mail	<u>5,720</u>
Total -	9,068
Safe Deposit Boxes opened	132
Deposits to Lumberman's Bank	263
Miles traveled by County Treasurer for the above	947
Approximate plates in County Addressograph Department	66,000
Approximate plates in City of Muskegon Addressograph Department	15,000
Approximate number of parcels in Muskegon County	67,500

Paul Vitek, Jr.  
County Treasurer

MUSKEGON COUNTY SANATORIUM  
MUSKEGON, MICHIGAN

December 31, 1954

Muskegon County Treasurer's Acct. Jan 1, 1954 \$2,412.85

Cash Receipts, January to December 31, 1954

State of Michigan Subsidy	\$71,373.59
Out County Patients	25,641.22
Private Pay Patients	3,074.04
Veterans' Administration	1,912.50
State at Large	48,154.34
Insurance Cases	8,947.69
County Appropriation	134,825.00
Occupational Therapy Dept.	4,992.93
Miscellaneous Income	<u>750.45</u>
Total Cash Receipts	299,671.76

Expenditures, January 1st to December 31, 1954

Hospital Building & Fixtures	1,260.73
Administration Equipment	417.59
Care of Patients Equipment	3,829.62
Culinary Equipment	436.38
Domestic Equipment	1,630.34
Laundry and Linen Room Equipment	187.93
Administrative Expense	18,858.28
Care of Patients Expense	70,085.76
Laboratories, X-Ray Expense	2,527.94
Culinary Expense	72,632.04
Domestic Expense	32,191.75
Engineering and Grounds Expense	36,994.65
General Expense	1,236.76
Insurance	1,196.65
Occupational Therapy Expense	<u>4,175.76</u>
Total Expenditures	247,662.18

Balance 52,009.58

Muskegon County Treasurer's Acct. December 31, 1954 54,422.43

Preliminary Report subject to alteration in distribution  
after audit.

## MUSKEGON COUNTY SANATORIUM

## REVENUE REPORT - 1954

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Muskegon County Funds	\$ 134,825.00	45.0
Out County Funds	25,641.22	8.6
Veterans Administration Funds	1,912.50	0.6
State of Michigan Funds	123,020.86	41.1
Muskegon County Tr Assn.	1,500.00	0.5
Hospital Insurance	8,947.69	3.0
Private Pay Patients	3,074.04	1.0
Miscellaneous Receipts	750.45	0.2
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	\$ 299,671.76	100.0

PATIENT LAYS

	<u>Lays</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Muskegon County Patients	16,665	67.3
Out County Patients	2,618	10.6
State at Large Patients	4,964	20.1
Veterans Administration	133	0.5
Private Pay Patients	365	1.5
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	24,745	100.0

EXPENDITURE REPORT\*

Operating Expenses	\$ 239,899.59
Capital Expense	7,762.59
Average per patient day	9.69

\* Cash report - No allowance for depreciation.

## A N N U A L   R E P O R T   1 9 5 4

CRUSADE FOR SAFETY  
MUSKEGON COUNTY, MICHIGAN

The Crusade for Safety of Muskegon County was taken over by the County Board of Supervisors, January 1, 1954, continuing the original organization and program of the Crusade for Safety started by the Greater Muskegon Chamber of Commerce, December, 1952, on a volunteer basis. Mr. C. D. McNamee was chairman.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee is composed of Supervisor Chairman John Medendorp, Supervisors Basil "Mickey" O'Grady, George Stribley, Olaf Hostad, James Wells, and Edward Scharmer; Chairman C. D. McNamee, John Hay, J. F. Oehlhoffen, George Parmenter, Harold Rosen, Arnie Paulson, Roy S. Winter, Harold Wagoner, and Fred Cooper.

The Executive Committee is the governing body of the program and coordinates the activities of the various committees in the Crusade organization.

## FOUR AWARDS WON IN 1954

1. Muskegon City received a plaque representing first place for "Public Information Activities" in the field of Safety. The City topped a field of 131 cities in its population class.
2. The Muskegon Chronicle received the National Safety Committee award for Public Interest. It cites the newspaper for "exceptional service to safety." Mr. C. D. McNamee, Chairman of the Crusade for Safety, and John T. Hay, Crusade Secretary, appeared on a panel of the White House sponsored Conference on Highway Safety telling of the Crusade in Muskegon County. One of the highlights of the Muskegon Chronicle publicity was a full page of accident pictures with the victims in most of the pictures. This was published in the Saturday, April 3, 1954, issue.
3. The National Committee for Traffic Safety presented the Muskegon County Crusade for Safety an "Oscar" award, recognizing the Crusade for its vigorous program.
4. National Vehicle Check contest trophy sponsored by the National Safety Council and Look Magazine was won by Muskegon County through the combined efforts of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, Teenage Traffic Safety Club, Service Clubs, and the Crusade for Safety.

#### REDUCTION IN FATALITIES

Muskegon County completed its second year in a row with a reduction in the number of accidents and fatalities. The traffic fatalities were reduced from 29 in 1953 to 28 in 1954. While registrations increased by more than 5,000, the number of accidents in the County were down about ten per cent.

#### JOSEPH CIHAK, JR.

Joseph Cihak, Jr., was chosen by the County Board of Supervisors to act as a temporary County Traffic Safety Director on a part time basis until legal obstacles could be removed, making it possible to name a permanent, full time Traffic Safety Director.

#### CRUSADE HONORS LOCAL DRIVERS

Continuing its efforts to emphasize safe driving in Muskegon County, the Crusade for Safety Committee conducted a program to give recognition to area residents who have achieved a record of safe driving for thirty years or more. Special gifts were awarded motorists who have lived in the County for this period, and who have never been fined for a moving violation or have never been involved in an accident in which they were at fault. The response indicated Muskegon County has many drivers with such fine records.

#### DRIVER TESTING LABORATORY

Greater Muskegon motorists were given a chance to test their driving abilities in the mobile testing laboratory of the Michigan Trucking Association. Described as one of the most up-to-date driver testing units in the country, it was stationed at Muskegon Heights, Muskegon,

Montague, and Whitehall through the courtesy of the local trucking groups.

#### TEENAGE SAFETY CONFERENCE

The teenage parley was attended by 148 students from twenty-two high schools of Western Michigan and was termed a great success. The Conference was sponsored by the Crusade for Safety in cooperation with public and parochial schools, the State Department of Education, police and court officials, the Junior Chamber of Commerce, Automobile Club of Michigan, and the State Safety Commission.

#### BICYCLE SAFETY

The Education Committee of the Crusade for Safety, in cooperation with the Enforcement Committee, launched a bicycle safety campaign in an effort to cut down on the number of children struck and injured on our streets. The program will be continued next spring in all schools of the County.

#### ADULT TRAFFIC CLINICS

In March, 1954, Muskegon's Traffic Safety Clinic, designed to make it "rough" for repeat traffic violators, was inaugurated. Judge William T. Caughey plans to give repeat violators probation for two months, the last month to be spent in attending the Traffic Safety Clinic.

Muskegon Heights organized a Clinic with Judge Bernard Cook and Chief of Police Alex Bell combining their efforts to cut down on repeat offenders and more serious moving violations. At the conclusion of the school, Judge B. Cook orders the violator to pay a reduced fine and discharges him from probation.

#### SAFETY FILM LIBRARY

A library was started by the Women's Division of the Chamber of Commerce. Mrs. William Lytle, President of the organization, presented the Director with five 16 m.m. sound films as a start to the library. Included are "Motor Mania" (in color), "Word of Warning", "Safe Driving - Fundamental Skills", "Safe Driving - Streets and Highways", "Safe Driving - Advanced Skills and Problems."

#### SLOGAN CONTEST

Pat Greer, 16 year old Muskegon High School junior, won first prize in the Crusade for Safety Labor Day Slogan Contest.

"THE CHANCE-TAKER IS THE ACCIDENT-MAKER"

#### LAW ENFORCEMENT

Officials pooled all police strength of the County in an effort to cut down on accidents and injuries in the County during the long, Labor Day weekend. More than 230 officers took part in the program assisted by State Police and Military Police from Camp Claybanks.

#### VEHICLE SAFETY CHECK

In Muskegon County, 32,512 area vehicles were inspected in a six-day period by volunteer high school students. Reserve Police, Service Clubs, and Jaycee groups placed Muskegon County first in the Nation.

## ENGINEERING COMMITTEE

One of the most active Committees of the Crusade for Safety is the Engineering Committee, who have helped correct many traffic engineering problems in the County. Working very closely with the County Highway Department and the City Managers, the Committee have assisted in many major improvements.

Among the problems were:

- Access Highway, US 31, Ottawa intersection
- Installation of guard rails at Bear Lake
- Improved lighting at various intersections
- Traffic congestion on US 31 at B. C. Cobb Plant
- Parking on Western Avenue and other critical areas
- Pedestrian traffic pattern on Western Avenue
- Widening of County Highways
- Removal of brush at intersections
- Speed control zones and limits

## TRAFFIC SAFETY DIRECTOR NAMED

On August 16, 1954, the Muskegon County Board of Supervisors named Louis A. Meisch County Traffic Safety Director to head the first official traffic safety program on a county-wide basis in the State of Michigan. The new Director was appointed on motion Supervisor Floyd Parslow of Muskegon Township.

## SAFE-DRIVING DAY

In addition to the regular program of the Crusade for Safety, the Traffic Safety Department took an active part in President Eisenhower's S-D Day program on December 15. Twenty thousand public relation letters from the police department heads were distributed by the school children of the County. The Director wrote letters to every minister and priest of the County requesting notices to be placed in bulletins and comments during the church service. Letters were also sent to presidents of all service and luncheon clubs. The Junior Chamber of Commerce had a sound car in the business district during the day. Local police displayed special Safe Driving signs on streets and patrol cars. Representatives of several service clubs were passengers in police patrol cars during the day and night. The Muskegon Chronicle ran special articles every day preceding S-D Day informing the people of the plans being made by the Committee. So far as Muskegon County was concerned, S-D Day was a success. Only three minor accidents were reported during the 24-hour period with no personal injuries involved.

CRUSADE PLEDGE - Endorsing Crusade for Safety was taken by virtually every adult in Muskegon County and by all teenagers. A partial list is as follows:

Policemen and Firemen  
 School Teachers  
 Gasoline Dealers  
 Eagles Lodge  
 Farm-To-Prosper

King James Lodge  
 Travelers' Protective  
 Association  
 Ravenna School  
 Civilian Air Patrol

Lions' Club  
 Kiwanis Club  
 Urban League Guild  
 Little League Officials  
 S P E B S Q S A

Muskegon Lenders'  
 Association  
 Farm Bureau  
 Teenage Safety Conference  
 Trucking Company Employees

Muskegon Senior High  
 Republicans of County  
 Table Top Group  
 Old Newsboys  
 Kings' Club  
 Western Michigan Christian  
 High

A F of L Officials  
 Naval Reservists  
 Moose Lodge  
 C I O Members  
 Rescue Mission

Junior Chamber of Commerce  
 Whitehall School  
 Montague High School  
 Marine Corps  
 Blue Star Mothers

Optimist Club  
 PTA's of all schools  
 Mother School Guards  
 Young Dems  
 Brownies

Women Fliers  
 Pomona Grange  
 Church Groups  
 Trucking Company Officials  
 Muskegon Junior High

Knights of Pythias  
 Accountants  
 Knights of Columbus  
 Family Groups  
 Muskegon Safe-Driving Club

20,000 spectators at the National Championship Motorcycle Hill Climb at Mt. Garfield. This is believed to be the largest single group to take the pledge.

## 28 TRAFFIC FATALITIES IN 1954

## AGE GROUPS

1 - 7 years	5 deaths -	3 girls 2 boys	4 pedestrians 1 riding bicycle
16 - 21 years	11 deaths -	1 girl 10 boys	6 drivers 4 passengers 1 pedestrian
26 - 50 years	8 deaths -	2 women 6 men	5 men drivers 2 women drivers 1 passenger
60 - years	2 deaths -	2 men	1 driver 1 pedestrian

STATUS SUMMARY	Drivers	Pedestrians	Passengers
	15	6	7

7 were killed in Muskegon  
 1 in Muskegon Heights  
 20 in other parts of the County

7 casualties were from outside Muskegon County. One from out of State.

## ACCORDING TO LOCATIONS:

M 46	5 fatalities
US 16	3 fatalities
US 31	3 fatalities
M 20	3 fatalities
Maple Island and White Roads	2 fatalities
Scenic Drive	1 fatality
Getty Street	1 fatality
Russell Road	1 fatality
Miscellaneous Locations	9 fatalities

## C O M P A R A T I V E    T O T A L S

	<u>1953</u>	<u>1954</u>
Accidents	4,532	4,059
Injuries	1,256	1,012
Fatalities	29	28

## MUSKEGON

Accidents	2,788	2,444
Injuries	419	352
Fatalities	3	6 (1 on private property)

## MUSKEGON HEIGHTS

Accidents	446	498
Injuries	137	91
Fatalities	2	1

## COUNTY

Accidents	1,298	1,117
Injuries	700	569
Fatalities	24	20

## NATIONAL RECOGNITION

The Muskegon County Crusade for Safety was given wide-spread publicity across the nation by articles and feature stories appearing in the following publications:

Home and Highway

Business Topics

Newsletter of National Committee for Traffic Safety

Safety Education

Eagle Magazine

Here's How

The Muskegon County Crusade for Safety owes a debt of gratitude to the Muskegon Chronicle, its editor, reporters, and photographers for the outstanding job they have done during 1954, without which the Crusade for Safety program could not have succeeded.