

ANNUAL REPORT

MADISON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Jan. 1, 1954-December 31, 1954

TO THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Gentlemen:

In presenting my Annual Report of the Madison County Department of Public Welfare for the year, 1954, it is my desire to bring about a more thorough understanding of the various Public Assistance Programs administered by this office.

Therefore, in addition to the usual caseload charts which I have presented in my previous reports, you will find a breakdown of the average monthly caseload count with the average monthly cost per case in the Federal Categories.

ORGANIZATION

In the Public Assistance Division one caseworker resigned to accept a teaching position. This vacancy has since been filled.

An additional caseworker in this Division is provided for in the 1955 budget which will lighten the burdensome caseloads now carried by the present staff as a result of the increase in applications during the last quarter of 1954.

My request for an additional caseworker in Child Welfare was granted by your body during the year and this has aided materially in expediting the work in this division.

There were replacements among the Dictating Machine Operators during the year and one replacement in the Accounting Division.

In the Medical Division Dr. Felix Ottaviano of Oneida was appointed to the position of Medical Director as provided in the 1954 budget. This addition to the staff is one of the most important ones made in several years, and, as a result thereof, more careful scrutiny of medical costs is now possible.

The year, 1954, ended with a full staff of twenty-four individuals in addition to the Commissioner.

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## COMPARISON CASELOAD CHARTS

	OAA	AB	AD	1953			1954			HR	TOTAL CASES
				CASES	ADC	CHILDREN	CASES	ADC	CHILDREN		
Jan. 31	399	17	97	115	377	53	257	379	13	83	681
Feb. 28	401	17	92	111	367	49	273	377	13	83	670
Mar. 31	399	17	88	107	344	38	195	374	14	82	649
Apr. 30	392	16	88	98	311	36	120	378	14	85	630
May 31	386	16	92	103	333	22	123	369	14	86	619
June 30	394	16	90	99	315	18	100	362	14	83	617
July 31	392	16	86	94	307	15	49	359	13	83	603
Aug. 31	391	16	82	91	310	15	30	354	13	81	595
Sep. 30	383	16	81	84	275	17	58	348	13	80	581
Oct. 31	378	15	79	81	274	21	71	346	12	84	574
Nov. 30	376	15	77	84	289	28	118	345	12	87	580
Dec. 31	379	14	81	93	321	41	208	345	11	91	608

In determining the number of persons receiving public assistance it is necessary to add to the total cases the number of children receiving ADC. Whereas, in Home Relief the number of individuals includes those listed under cases.

It will be noted that the total monthly caseload in 1954 continued to be less than in the corresponding month in 1953 until the month of September. It was at that time that unemployment began to have a definite effect on our caseload count.

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	APPLICATIONS RECEIVED						APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED					
	AB	ADC	AD	OAA	HR	TOTAL	AB	ADC	AD	OAA	HR	TOTAL
Jan.	1	14	5	14	36	70	0	11	4	8	29	52
Feb.	0	14	2	8	26	50	0	13	2	7	24	46
Mar.	0	12	6	9	17	44	1	7	3	8	14	33
Apr.	0	11	4	15	21	51	0	12	4	11	14	41
May	1	8	1	9	8	27	0	3	2	2	8	15
June	0	17	4	4	24	49	1	14	1	2	17	35
July	0	5	3	6	13	27	0	5	3	5	13	26
Aug.	0	8	7	10	22	47	0	7	3	3	15	28
Sept.	0	11	2	9	27	49	0	4	2	4	24	34
Oct.	0	17	10	13	44	84	0	16	8	6	30	60
Nov.	0	12	6	15	46	79	0	10	6	9	37	62
Dec.	1	20	4	6	48	79	0	15	5	10	47	77
Total	3	149	54	118	332	656	2	117	43	75	272	509

It will be noted on the above chart that in some instances there were fewer applications in certain months than accepted cases. This is due to the fact that in those cases final acceptance was not given until a later month.

The following number of cases were closed during 1954:

aid for the Blind	5
aid for Disabled	34
aid to Dependent Children	99
Old Age Assistance	109
Home Relief	162
Total	460

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### PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

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#### OLD AGE ASSISTANCE:

The average caseload per month in this program in 1954 was 361 as against 389 recipients in 1953. In spite of this reduction the total yearly cash grants were reduced only approximately \$7,000. This is due to the fact that an average of ten more persons were in nursing homes in 1954 than the previous year, which more than doubles the regular cash grant received at home. Also, it became necessary to increase boarding home rates in many cases, while the cost of hospitalization increased \$13,000. As a result of the above increases the over-all cost of Old Age Assistance in 1954 showed a total of \$307,305.02 as compared with \$303,604.61.

The average monthly cost per case, including hospital and all medical expense during 1954 was \$70.94, while the average cash grant exclusive of hospital and medical, but including nursing home and boarding home care, was \$51.13.

#### AID FOR THE BLIND:

The number of recipients in this program remains nearly constant from year to year, with a reduction of two or three cases per month average in 1954 as compared with 1953. This resulted in a reduction of approximately \$1,000 in the yearly cost of this program.

The average monthly cost per person in this category in 1954, including hospital and medical was \$59.78, while the average cost, exclusive of hospital and medical was \$47.73.

#### AID TO THE DISABLED:

This category also remained nearly constant in 1953 and 1954, with the average caseload count per month being 84 in 1954. Total cost was approximately \$500 greater in 1954 than in 1953.

The average monthly cost in 1954 per person in this program was \$68.75, including hospital and medical, while the cost exclusive of hospital and medical was \$44.62.

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AID FOR DEPENDENT CHILDREN:

This category showed a slight increase in caseload count over 1953.

Cash grants and prescriptions for these persons increased altogether approximately \$4,000, but hospital, doctors' fees and other expenses decreased nearly \$6,000, with the result that total expenditures for this program in 1954 were \$165,750.55 as compared with 1953 expenditures of \$167,118.23, a decrease of some \$1,400.

The average monthly caseload count in this program for 1954 was 102. The average cost per case including hospital and medical was \$135.41, while the cost per case excluding hospital and medical care was \$117.92. Total individuals per case averaged between four and five persons.

HOSPITAL ONLY:

This program is provided for persons who are not already on the Welfare Rolls prior to entering the hospital, and to Home Relief recipients who have not been on the rolls for thirty days immediately preceding hospitalization.

The expenditures include hospital care, doctors' services and transportation. It is a non-reimbursable program except in State-charge cases such as migrant laborers, etc., in which cases we receive 100% reimbursement.

This program cost the county nearly \$19,000 more in 1954 than in 1953 in gross expenditures. Net cost to the county was approximately \$16,000 greater than in 1953.

HOME RELIEF:

This is the most unpredictable program of all in that unemployment has a direct effect on it.

The total over-all cost of this program in 1954 increased approximately \$45,000 over 1953.

BURIALS:

The cost of burials decreased over \$2,000 in 1954, while the net cost to the county decreased over \$4,000.

NON-PUBLIC ASSISTANCE:

This is the result of a court order in which the family receives assistance from this department and we are repaid from insurance funds. This was done because of the inability of persons to administer their own affairs.

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## CHILD WELFARE DIVISION

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CASELOAD

	Boarding Homes	Free Homes	Adoptive Homes	Work Self-Support	Wage County	Out of County	Super- vision	Total
Jan. 1	115	2	5	2	6	19	149	
Feb. 1	116	2	6	2	6	20	152	
Mar. 1	117	2	6	2	6	23	156	
Apr. 1	119	2	6	2	6	15	150	
May 1	115	2	7	3	6	25	158	
June 1	112	2	8	3	6	23	154	
July 1	108	3	8	5	6	14	144	
Aug. 1	110	2	6	10	6	17	151	
Sep. 1	106	2	6	10	6	18	148	
Oct. 1	107	2	6	6	6	14	141	
Nov. 1	109	2	6	6	4	11	138	
Dec. 1	109	2	6	5	4	11	137	
Dec. 31	107	2	6	2	4	8	129	

REFERRALS

	Private Family	Citizens	Court	P.A.	Schools	Other	Out of County	Total Children
Jan.	8		9	5	21		3	39
Feb.	5	4	16	1	4		5	33
Mar.	4		3	4		2	5	18
Apr.		3	32	1	1		5	42
May	5	2	5	1	1	17	6	37
June	7		9	4	9	4	1	34
July	4	9	14	1		1	6	35
Aug.	7	1	1	3		4	12	28
Sept.	3		7		10	8	2	30
Oct.	2	6	4	1			3	16
Nov.	1	2	1	1		3	1	9
Dec.	3	1	13	13	—	2	3	35
Total	40	28	114	35	46	41	50	556

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CHILD WELFARE DIVISION

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In presenting the charts on the previous page it will be noted that this year we are presenting a monthly breakdown rather than total figures for the year. It is hoped that this will result in a better understanding of the amount of work turned out by this Division.

Although the number of children cared for at the end of the year was twenty less than on January 1, 1954, the average monthly caseload was 146.5.

The number of referrals continued to increase with the result that the total for the year was forty-six more than in 1953 and nearly double the 187 children referred in 1952. The 356 referrals in 1954 represented 171 families.

Children's Court referrals constituted the greater percentage with an increase from 75 in 1953 to 114 referrals from this source in 1954.

In addition to the total of 356 referrals to be processed in 1954, there were also seven pending from 1953, making a total of 363. Of this total, 32 were accepted in Foster Care, 38 were accepted for service or supervision, 273 for temporary service and 20 were pending as of December 31.

The total of 273 for temporary service represents a large portion of the work turned out by this Division but is not reflected in the caseload. This category includes reports and investigations for Children's Court, private adoption investigations, services for outside Agencies, cases in which investigation shows only a need for consultation and advice from the caseworker and many cases which are denied because the original complaint was unjustified. In fact, the tremendous increase in the number of such referrals in the past two years was the major factor necessitating the employment of an additional caseworker in this Division during the past year.

Discharges during the year totalled 90 as compared to 74 in 1953. Discharges are shown as follows:

To Parents or Relatives -----	73
To Schools for Mental Defectives--	3
Own Responsibility-----	5
Adopted-----	4
Other-----	5
Total	90

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In the statistical report shown on the following pages it will be noted that the percentages of state and federal aid in the various programs has changed. This is a result of the new formula which went into effect Jan. 1, 1954.

Following is the method by which State and Federal Aid are now figured:

In Old Age Assistance, Aid for Disabled and Aid to the Blind the Federal portion amounts to one-half of the grant up to \$55.00, plus \$7.50. Example: If the total grant is \$55.00, the Federal share will be \$27.50 plus \$7.50, or \$35.00. The balance of \$20.00 is divided equally between the State and County. In the past the State made up the difference up to 80%, leaving only 20% to be paid by the county.

In Aid for Dependent Children the Federal share is one-half of \$30.00 for the mother, \$30.00 for the first child, and \$21.00 for each additional child, plus \$4.50 for each person. Example: Mother - \$30.00, 1st child - \$30.00, two additional children @ \$21.00 each, or \$42.00, presents a total of \$102.00. The Federal share of this will be \$51.00 plus \$4.50 for each person, or a total Federal share of \$69.00. The balance is now divided equally by the State and County. In the past the State made up the balance to 80%, leaving only 20% for the county share.

In Home Relief the cost is divided equally by the State and county. In prior years the state paid 80%.

In Foster Care and County Home the State now divides the cost equally with the county, after refunds and recoveries and earnings have been deducted. Prior to 1954 Foster Care and County Home costs were borne entirely by the county.

Also, any person on Home Relief for thirty days immediately preceding admission to a hospital is now eligible for 50% reimbursement from the State on the cost of hospital care. This did not apply prior to Jan. 1, 1954.

I trust that the above will enlighten the board members and the interested public in the manner in which reimbursement is determined. Suffice it to say that it is not as simple a procedure as many persons are want to believe.

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Personal Services - salaries	\$68,870.14
Equipment - file cabinets, desk, etc.	1,330.05
Supplies & Materials - Postage, stationery, printed forms, ordinary office supplies	2,219.36
Other Expenses - travel, rent, telephone, light, other services not in personal services: i.e., repairs to equipment.	15,724.01
Outstanding encumbrances	<u>455.86</u>
Total administrative expense	\$88,599.42

## Reimbursement

State Aid	32,442.39
Federal Aid	<u>32,938.12</u>
Total Reimbursement	<u>65,380.51</u>
Local Net Total Administrative Cost	\$23,218.91

HOME RELIEFDisbursements:

Cash grants	\$61,748.71
Doctors' Fees	4,762.49
Drugs	1,699.93
Hosp. Ital.	1,908.76
Other	<u>2,338.15</u>
	\$72,458.02

Credits:

State Aid	31,920.59
Repayments	<u>217.58</u>
	<u>32,138.17</u>
Net Local Cost	\$40,319.85

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OLD AGE ASSISTANCEDisbursements:

Cash Grants	\$216,779.66
Hospital Care	38,051.21
Physicians' Fees	33,083.37
Prescriptions	13,443.84
Other	5,946.94
	<u>\$307,305.02</u>

Credits:

Federal Reimbursement	130,647.67
State Reimbursement	87,816.43
Repayments & recoveries	<u>13,345.69</u>
	<u>231,809.79</u>
Net Local Cost	\$ 75,495.23

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDRENDisbursements:

Cash Grants	\$144,047.06
Hospital Care	6,231.05
Doctors' Services	10,956.30
Prescriptions	4,221.58
Other	294.56
	<u>\$165,750.55</u>

Credits:

Federal Reimbursement	78,007.31
State Reimbursement	41,700.44
Repayments & recoveries	<u>5,998.41</u>
	<u>125,706.16</u>
Net Local Cost	\$ 40,044.39

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AID TO THE DISABLED

Disbursements:

Cash Grants	\$44,705.45
Hospital Care	11,834.15
Doctors' Services	7,962.91
Prescriptions	4,527.24
Other	<u>274.09</u>
	\$69,303.84

Credits:

Federal Reimbursement	\$28,424.83
State Reimbursement	20,805.56
Repayments & Recoveries	<u>541.91</u>
	<u>49,772.30</u>
Net Local Cost	\$19,531.54

ASSISTANCE TO THE BLIND

Disbursements:

Cash Grants	\$7,272.72
Hospital Care	748.86
Doctors' Services	616.42
Prescriptions	514.09
Other	<u>175.70</u>
	\$9,525.79

Credits:

Federal Reimbursement	4,493.33
State Reimbursement	2,868.68
Repayments	<u>26.05</u>
	<u>7,388.04</u>
Net Local Cost	\$1,937.75

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FOSTER CAREDisbursements:

Board	\$62,998.58
Clothing	6,618.05
Supplies	826.97
Doctors' Services	2,313.96
Prescriptions	855.15
Optical Care	569.10
Hospital Care	3,652.20
Dental Care	774.50
Other	<u>168.41</u>
	<b>\$78,576.92</b>

Credits:

State Reimbursement	25,887.71
Repayments	<u>12,623.03</u>
	<b><u>38,510.74</u></b>
Net Local Cost	<b>\$40,066.18</b>

HOSPITAL ONLYDisbursements:

Payments to Hospitals	\$53,370.32
Doctors' Services	7,557.12
Transportation, Etc.	<u>173.00</u>
	<b>\$61,100.44</b>

Credits:

State Reimbursement	4,393.77
Repayments & Recoveries	<u>2,548.55</u>
	<b><u>6,942.32</u></b>
Net Local Cost	<b>\$54,158.12</b>

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BURIALSDisbursements:

Total cost	<u>\$9,495.50</u>	
		<u>\$9,495.50</u>

Credits:

Repayments and Recoveries	<u>\$5,148.63</u>	
State Reimbursement	<u>1,517.50</u>	
		<u>6,666.13</u>
Net Local Cost		<u>\$2,829.37</u>

NON-PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Disbursements	<u>\$830.60</u>	
Repayments	<u>795.95</u>	
Net Local Cost		<u>\$34.65</u>

\* Reimbursement figures on all appropriations include November, 1954, claims, which treasurer does not have accrued until 1955.

\*\*In all categories of Assistance under disbursements, the term "other" refers to payment of transportation, taxes, and various other items not included in a regular budgetary item.

\*\*\*As in past years under Reimbursement, December of the previous year is used inasmuch as the figures for December of the current year are not available. As a result reimbursement on Home Relief is actually greater than shown, inasmuch as the caseload in December, 1954, is much greater than in 1953. Also, inasmuch as there was no reimbursement in Foster Care in 1953, reimbursement figures in this program represent only eleven months.

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COUNTY HOME

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As in the previous two years Supervision of the County Home has been efficiently handled by Mrs. Liddle, Matron.

Through the excellent cooperation of the various committees of the Board of Supervisors various improvements have been made or are in the process of being made which will result in eventual savings to the taxpayers.

Among these accomplishments are the following:

Upon recommendation of the Special Committee designated by your Board Chairman in 1953, your Board voted to convert the first floor of the County Home to a Public Home Infirmary, and provision has been made in the 1955 Budget for such conversion.

An entire new roof has been installed on the entire building. This, in itself, will save considerable damage expenses, which have resulted from bad leaks over a period of years.

The repairs to the wiring, which was determined to be in very bad condition by the Underwriters, has been started and will be completed in the early part of 1955.

A new refrigerator and ironer were purchased to replace the old ones which had become worn out.

This year the net operating cost of operation of the Home was reduced by the receipt of State Aid of 50%. Also, you will note in the following statistical report that the income from board and care from residents doubled over 1953. In 1953 it totalled \$1901.53 as against \$3939.69 for 1954. This resulted from collection of social security benefits, payment of board and care by private patients and recoveries from an estate.

Mrs. Liddle and I again wish to express our gratitude to the members of the Board of Supervisors for their continued cooperation and consideration which they have given us.

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DISBURSEMENTS:

Salaries, wages and professional fees	\$16,916.52
Office expense, telephone, etc.	343.00
Travel and transportation	86.70
Fuel, light and power	5,233.28
Ordinary repairs to bldg. & equipment	2,006.65
Encumbered from 1953 for repairs to wiring and paid in 1954	2,491.00
Supplies and minor equipment	2,237.48
Food	8,564.45
Clothing	886.87
Other, (extermination service, express)	280.90
New furniture, furnishings & equipment	518.95
	<u>\$39,565.79</u>
Value of farm produce consumed at Home	<u>2,991.44</u>
Gross expenses including value of farm produce	<u>\$42,557.23</u>

REVENUES:

Board & care from residents	\$ 3,939.69
State reimbursement claimed	<u>20,617.28</u>
	<u>\$24,556.97</u>
Net operating cost to County	<u>\$18,000.26</u>

Total number of residents Jan. 1, 1954	--- 34
Total new admissions	----- 10
Total re-admissions	----- 11
	<u>55</u>

Total discharges and deaths	----- 17
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Total residents Dec. 31, 1954	----- 38
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Total number of days' board and care, including transients	----- 12,052
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Rate per resident per day	----- \$3.53
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COUNTY FARM

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The county farm has again this year been operated capably and efficiently by Mr. Clarence Edding, Manager, and his assistant, Mr. Wesley Jacobs.

Although the breakdown of revenues and expenditures on the farm as shown on the following pages show a net operating loss of \$2,443.08, I do not feel that this is a fair and true picture.

In arriving at this conclusion I wish to call your attention to the prices listed as credits for produce, milk and meat supplied to the county home.

In the case of the produces and meat prices, these are obtained monthly from the State and do not compare favorably with the wholesale prices which we pay for other items not produced on the farm, the wholesale prices being much higher. Therefore, if wholesale prices for produce and meat were used, we would show a substantial increase in revenue from this source.

In the case of milk produced for home consumption, we use the prevailing plant price, which is far lower than the price we would have to pay if we did not produce our own milk.

On advice of the farm committee of the board, the old silo was disposed of as it was deemed to be unsafe and would require considerable expenditure of money to make it suitable for the storage suggested in 1953.

The new ventilating system, recommended by the farm committee, was installed in the last quarter of 1954 and is appreciated. This will be paid for in 1955.

No major expenditures are anticipated in 1955.

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## COUNTY FARM

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FARM INVENTORY

25 Milch cows  
 5 Heifers  
 5 Yearlings  
 8 Calves  
 1 Angus heifer (half-breed)  
 100 Hens

PRODUCE FOR LIVESTOCK CONSUMPTION:

85 Ton hay  
 80 Ton ensilage  
 1000 Bushel barley and oats  
 500 Bushel picking corn  
 15 Ton Straw

PRODUCE FOR RESIDENT CONSUMPTION:MILK

Jan.	3080 lb. @ \$4.54 per cwt.	\$139.82
Feb.	2894 lb. @ 4.28 "	123.84
Mar.	3209 lb. @ 4.14 "	132.85
Apr.	2970 lb. @ 3.87 "	114.94
May	3047 lb. @ 3.56 "	108.47
June	2889 lb. @ 3.32 "	95.97
July	2719 lb. @ 3.02 "	99.94
Aug.	3037 lb. @ 3.80 "	115.47
Sept.	2938 lb. @ 4.23 "	124.34
Oct.	3163 lb. @ 4.48 "	141.64
Nov.	3042 lb. @ 4.60 "	140.11
Dec.	3347 lb. @ 4.77 "	159.72
		\$1,497.11

MEAT

Feb.	620 lbs. regular beef @ .50¢ per lb.	\$186.00
Apr.	540 lbs. " @ .36¢ "	194.40
Oct.	685 lbs. Steer beef @ .36¢ "	246.60
	580 lbs. regular beef @ .29¢ "	168.20
		795.20

CHICKENS

Oct.	475 lbs. chicken @ .30¢ per lb.	142.50
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## COUNTY FARM

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EGGS:

Jan.	68-2/3	dez. @ .50¢	\$34.33
Feb.	92	dez. @ .50¢	46.00
Mar.	76	doz. @ .50¢	38.00
April	55	doz. @ .50¢	27.50
May	89½	dez. @ .50¢	44.75
June	79-1/6	dez. @ .50¢	39.58
July	78-1/3	dez. @ .50¢	39.17
Aug.	64-3/4	doz. @ .50¢	32.13
Sept.	118½	dez. @ .50¢	55.55
Oct.	117-2/3	doz. @ .45¢	52.95
Nov.	128½	doz. @ .50¢	64.13
Dec.	56-5/6	doz. @ .50¢	<u>28.42</u>

\$482.51

VEGETABLES:

216 lbs. green beans @ .055¢ per lb.	\$10.88
93 lbs. summer squash @ .02¢ " "	1.86
330 lbs. cabbage @ .015¢ per lb.	4.95
30 lbs. green peppers @ .05¢ per lb.	1.50
224 lbs. peas @ .04¢ per lb.	8.96
80 lbs. lettuce @ .045¢ per lb.	3.61
18 lbs. swiss chard @ .03¢ per lb.	.54
43 lbs. beet greens @ .02¢ per lb.	.86
80 lbs. carrots @ .025¢ per lb.	2.00
546 lbs. sweet corn @ .02¢ per lb.	10.92
142 lbs. cucumbers @ .04¢ per lb.	6.68
222 lbs. tomatoes @ .02¢ per lb.	4.44
40 lbs. spinach @ .03¢ per lb.	1.20
636 lbs. beets @ .02¢ per lb.	12.72
75 lbs. winter squash @ .02¢ per lb.	1.50
50 lbs onions @ .03¢ per lb.	<u>1.50</u>

\$ 74.12

Total income from produce used for  
resident consumption ----- \$2,991.44

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New equipment purchased in 1954:

1 Conde Milker  
1 Conde pump exchanged for new Conde pump with 3/4 H.P.  
1 Ford truck (one-half ton)

There was also a ventilating system installed in the barn  
which will be paid for in 1955.

FARM MACHINERY INVENTORY:

1- 1½ ton International truck  
1- John Deere Manure Spreader (1952)  
1- Mowing machine  
1- Farmall-M Tractor (1952)  
1- New Holland Hay Baler  
1- Side delivery rake (1952)  
1- Hay and grain elevator (1953)  
1- Potato digger  
1- Dis-Wick Disc (1953)  
3- Farm Wagons  
1- Wagon box  
1- Plow-hydraulic lift (1953)  
1- Ford plow (1953)  
2- Snow plows  
1- Harrow  
1- Cultivator  
1- Corn planter  
1- Grain drill  
1- Culti-packer  
1- Corn sheller  
1- Ensilage cutter  
1- Hay loader  
1- Ford Tractor  
1- Conde Milking machine - 3 units bought in 1953  
1- Ford lift all platform (1953)

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DISBURSEMENTS:

Salaries, wages and professional fees	\$4,614.34
Equipment	1,439.00
Supplies and materials	6,713.75
Other (repairs, registration, breeding)	<u>784.76</u>
	\$13,551.85

REVENUES:

Milk checks	\$7,660.38
Eggs	220.70
Calves	144.45
Miscellaneous (hay, chickens, etc.)	<u>91.80</u>
Value of milk & produce consumed at Home	\$ 8,117.33 <u>2,991.44</u>
	\$11,108.77
Net operating cost to county	\$ 2,443.08

In comparing the cost of operation of the farm for 1954 with the previous year, it will be noted that disbursements were over a \$1,000.00 less in 1954.

As to revenues, although there was a substantial increase in receipts from sale of milk and eggs, the over-all picture shows a reduction in revenues of over a \$1,000.00 and a reduction in value of milk and produce consumed at the Home of nearly a \$1,000.00.

This is due almost entirely to the fact that we no longer raise our own hogs. In 1953 we realized \$1,036.67 from the sale of hogs as against no receipts from that source in 1954.

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GROSS EXPENDITURES AND RECEIPTSDISBURSEMENTS

General Administration	\$ 88,599.42
Old Age Assistance	307,305.02
Aid to Dependent Children	165,750.55
Aid to the Disabled	69,303.84
Assistance to the Blind	9,325.79
Home Relief	72,458.02
Child Welfare (Foster Care)	78,576.92
Hospital Only	61,100.44
Burials	9,495.50
Non-Public Assistance	830.60
County Home	42,557.23
County Home Farm	<u>13,551.85</u>
	\$918,855.18

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General Administration	\$ 65,380.51
Old Age Assistance	231,809.79
Aid to Dependent Children	125,706.16
Aid to the Disabled	49,772.30
Assistance to the Blind	7,388.04
Home Relief	32,138.17
Foster Care	38,510.74
Hospital Only	6,942.32
Burials	6,666.13
Non-Public Assistance	795.95
County Home	<u>24,556.97</u>
County Home Farm	<u>11,108.77</u>
	\$600,775.85
Net Cost to County	\$318,079.33

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In conclusion I wish to thank the members of the Board of Supervisors for their continued cooperation with this department and for their kind understanding of the problems confronting us in the administration of public assistance.

I particularly wish to express the appreciation of Mrs. Liddle, myself and members of my staff for the consideration you gave us in the matter of salary increases.

I also wish to express the appreciation of this department for the excellent cooperation given to us by County Judge Clarence E. Conley, County Attorney William Burke, District Attorney Harold Simons and the many other county, state, town, village and city authorities who have been so helpful to us, not only the past year, but during the entire three years of my first term as Commissioner.

We pledge to continue to do the job expected of us to the very best of our ability.

Respectfully submitted,

William Liddle  
Commissioner