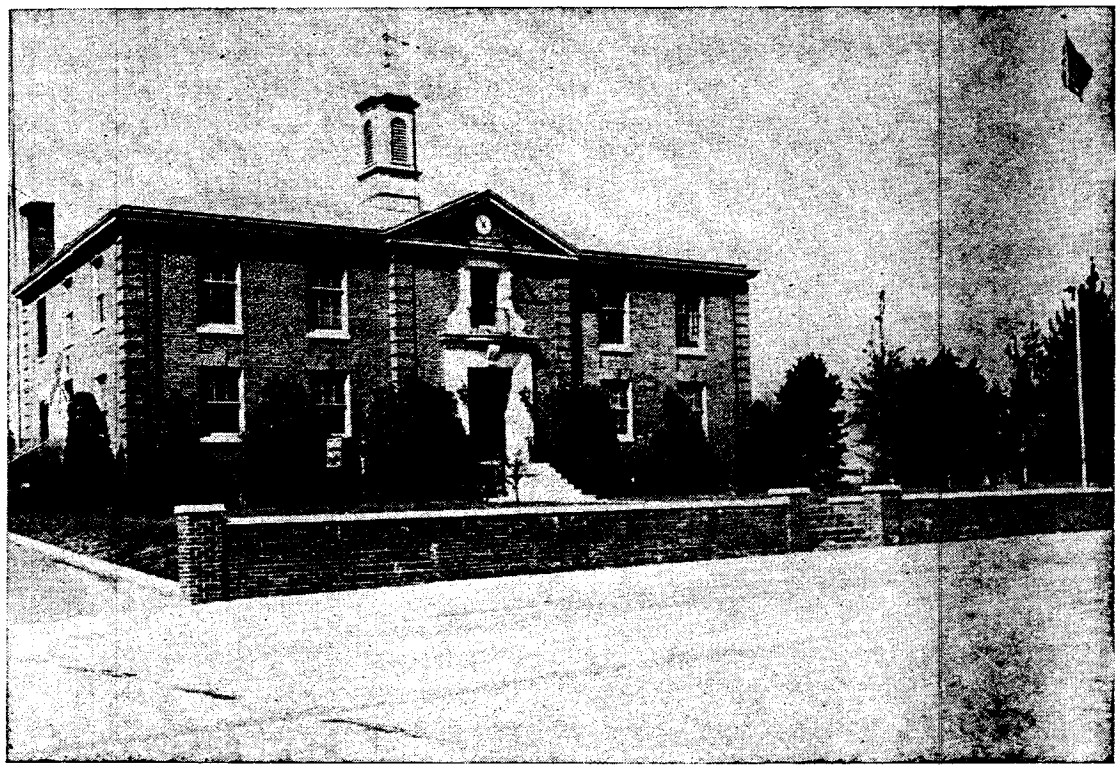
Board of Commissioners
Township of Abington

1945
Annual Report

YEAR ENDING JANUARY 7, 1946



ABINGTON TOWNSHIP ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

York Road and Horace Avenue

Abington, Pennsylvania

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The Board of Township Commissioners meet on the Second Thursday of Each Month at 8 o'clock P. M.

The regular meetings of the Departments are as follows:

Public Safety	First Tuesday	7:30 o'clock P.M.
Public Health	First Wednesday	7:30 o'clock P.M.
Public Works	First Thursday	7:30 o'clock P.M.
Public Affairs	Second Monday	7:30 o'clock P.M.
Zoning Board of Adjustment	Fourth Tuesday	7:30 o'clock P.M.

CALL THE SECRETARY'S OFFICE

For General Township Information
For Highway Information
For Health Information
For Building Information
For Zoning Information
For Garbage Collection Service

OGONTZ 2700

Office Hours 9 A. M. to 3 P. M.
Saturdays 9 A. M. to 12 Noon
Holidays Excepted

CALL THE TREASURER'S OFFICE FOR INFORMATION RELATING TO TAXES—OGONTZ 2700

FOR POLICE ASSISTANCE

Call Bureau of Police, Ogontz 2700
Office Always Open

IN CASE OF FIRE

Call Ogontz 2700

The two nearest Fire Companies will proceed immediately to the fire.
Operators at Switchboard 24 hours of the day.

OFFICERS

RUSSELL D. HARRAR, President

WILLIAM H. JONES, Vice-President

E. RAYMOND AMBLER, Secretary

A. RUSSELL PARKHOUSE, Treasurer

DAVID E. GROSHENS, Solicitor

PATRICK McKEE, Chief of Police

LOUIS E. BRIGHAM, Building Inspector

OLIVER L. KING, Township Engineer

GEORGE P. RAPP, Health Officer

MONROE C. ROBERTS, Plumbing Inspector

DEPT. OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

ALEXANDER HOGG, Director
WILLIAM H. JONES
EDWIN H. GEISSLER
GEORGE E. MAURER

DEPT. OF PUBLIC SAFETY

WILLIAM H. JONES, Director
LEWIS C. DORN
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DANIEL NEELY

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ABINGTON TOWNSHIP AUDITORS

DAVID E. KRUEGER
WM. RAYMOND VOGEL

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

BENJAMIN T. BRITT, Chairman
BERTRAM E. OUGHTON, Secretary
LEWIS C. DORN

TO THE CITIZENS OF ABINGTON TOWNSHIP:

The year 1945 was indeed an eventful one in the lives of the citizens of Abington Township as well as the people all over the world. The termination of the war has brought joy and happiness to returning service men and women and to their families. Our hearts are filled with sympathy for the relatives and friends of those who made the supreme sacrifice so that we may carry on for Peace. Public spirited citizens of the Township have been planning for the appropriate development of a World War II Memorial Park at York Road south of Brook Road.

Rights of way, along York Road, have been secured from a great many property owners of this frontage and contracts awarded in co-operation with the Montgomery County Commissioners for the installation of concrete shoulders, curbs and sidewalks, and retaining walls, generally improving the appearance, which when completed, will impress not only the residents of Abington but also those who pass through on this historic highway. York Road, formerly sixty feet wide, with the land dedicated for sidewalk purposes, will be an eighty-foot highway.

Our Civilian Defense Volunteers were released on October 31, 1945, upon proclamation by Governor Martin. The Township wishes to express its appreciation to the 2,600 volunteers who served on our home front during the emergency.

At the November election, the citizens authorized the issuance of $1,300,000 worth of Sewer Bonds for the erection of Sewage Treatment Plants and installation of sewers, a project much needed by Abington Township if it is to remain a progressive municipality.

During the emergency our Public Safety Department found that our police force was being depleted beyond the bounds of safety for the community and our force was augmented with the help of the Auxiliary and Fire Police. With the return of our service men, our force has been increased to 28. A new FM Radio System has recently been completed giving us the most efficient type of radio communication.

The Commissioners again want to express their appreciation for the loyal and efficient work of the officers and employees of the Township.

RUSSELL D. HARRAR, President
Board of Commissioners of Abington Township

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

The Directors of Public Affairs submit for your consideration a brief review of the activities of their Department, including a detailed statement of estimated receipts, disbursements and balances in conjunction with the Auditor's Report.

Township Administration Building

Office space is still provided in the recreation room for the Navy Shore Patrol. The Assessors and Draftsman occupy the Court Room on the second floor. The Commissioners' Room is used by the traveling registrars for registration of voters in addition to the regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners and the Departments of the Township.

Bureau of Library

The Board of Commissioners approved a contribution of $500 to the Abington Library Society and $500 to the Glenside Free Library Association for the year 1945.

Bureau of Miscellaneous

The Board of Commissioners authorized the annual contribution of $2,000 to the Abington Township Police Pension Association Investment Fund. The Association closed the year with a balance of $756.31 in the General Fund and $7,169.16 in the Investment Fund. The Trustees have $42,691.37 invested in first mortgages of properties in Abington Township, and $62,000.00 in United States Government Securities, the greater portion of which is in War Bonds.

Sinking Funds

The bond tax levied and collected for the year 1945, amounting to $26,868 was deposited into the sinking funds. Orders were drawn on the sinking funds for $7,130.00 for the payment of coupon interest. The State Tax paid on outstanding bonds amounted to $644.

Bonds maturing in the amount of $66,000 were paid which reduced the total outstanding bonds as of January 1, 1946 to $170,000 with a sinking fund credit of $114,963.77 or a net bonded indebtedness of $55,036.23.

Investment of Funds

The Board of Commissioners, during the year, purchased a total of $125,000 United States Government ⅞% Certificates of Indebtedness, due in 1946. These funds were in special accounts ear-marked for projects which cannot be undertaken until after the war.

Transfer of Funds

At the close of the year the sum of $14,000 of the unexpended balances of the highway appropriation was transferred to the Permanent Improvement Fund to be used for York Road Sidewalks.

World War II Memorial Park

The Board of Commissioners accepted by ordinance the several parcels of land comprising the island on York Road south of Brook Road, deeded to the township as a gift of the former owners. This land has been dedicated as a public park to the honor and memory of men and women of Abington Township who served their country in the armed forces during World War II.

A Committee whose chairman is F. Carter Schaub has been appointed to study plans for the development of this park and ways of raising funds for the improvement, as the law does not provide for the township to expend monies for memorials. A Report is expected to be received early in the year 1946.

Proposed Penbryn Park

The Board of Commissioners adopted Ordinance No. 525 taking and appropriating by the power of eminent domain approximately 18 acres of land on the plan of Penbryn as and for a public park and playground. The site for the proposed park, comprising some 300 lots, lies between the North East Pennsylvania Railroad and the rear line of the properties on Edge Hill Road, Jenkintown Road and Mt. Carmel Avenue, and adjoins the communities of Glenside, North Hills and Ardsley.

The Board of Commissioners have arranged with the Commissioners of Montgomery County to acquire 141 lots which they have taken title to through tax liens.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND BALANCE

GENERAL FUNDS

Note: Roman Numeral refers to item in Township Auditors' Report. RECEIPTS	Estimated in Budget for 1945		Received 1945	Estimated in Budget for 1946
Cash in Bank beginning of year	$ 51,138	(I)	$ 31,741.08	$ 66,538
Taxes—1945 (90% estimated collectible)	$ 269,100	(IV)	$282,483.72	$269,100
Penalties—1945	$	(V)	$ 413.32	$ .....
Taxes and Penalties—1944	$ 9,000	(III)	$ 8,082.09	$ 9,000
Land Liens	$ 16,000	(VI)	$ 13,324.00	$ 16,000
Penalties and Interest on Land Liens	$	(VII)	$ 2,802.57	$ .....
Miscellaneous Receipts:				
Licenses, Permits, etc.				
Beverage	$ 5,500		$ 5,075.00	$ 5,000
Building	2,000		1,905.00	2,000
Street (Including tax on poles)	2,000		2,564.65	2,000
Health and Plumbing	2,000		2,115.00	2,000
Amusement	.....		200.00	200
Fines and Forfeits—Justices	500		660.00	500
Sewer Rents and Installations	10,000		10,878.12	10,600
Refunds	.....		1,605.95	.....
Total Miscellaneous Receipts	$ 22,000	(II)	$ 25,003.72	$ 22,300
Tax Anticipation Note	$ 100,000	(VIII)	$100,000.00	$100,000
Total Receipts, Including Bank Balance	$ 467,238		$463,850.50	$482,938

DISBURSEMENTS	Estimated in Budget for 1945		Expended 1945	Estimated in Budget for 1946
Debt Service				
Expense, Tax Anticipation Note and Depository Bond	$ 700	(IX)	$ 546.64	$ 700
State Tax on Bonds	944	(XI)	644.00	.....
Total Expense and Tax	$ 1,644		$ 1,190.64	$ 700
Tax Anticipation Note	$ 100,000	(X)	$100,000.00	$100,000
Transfer to Sinking Funds	$ 25,924	(XI)	$ 26,224.00	$ 26,868
Library				
Public Libraries	$ 1,000	(IX)	$ 1,000.00	$ 1,000
Recreation				
Parks and Playgrounds (Transfer special tax)	$ 6,500	(XIII)	$ 6,500.00	$ 6,500
Miscellaneous				
Abington Township Police Pension Association	$ 2,000		$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000
Refund of Sewer Rentals	1,800		1,538.26	1,600
Total Miscellaneous	$ 3,800	(IX)	$ 3,538.26	$ 3,600
Administration				
Salaries and Services	$ 25,000		$ 23,936.40	$ 26,300
Office Equipment and Supplies	1,680		2,093.68	1,480
Printing and Advertising	1,100		771.78	1,000
Telephone Service	3,000		3,039.46	3,000
Other Expense	4,620		274.60	2,120
Total Administration	$ 35,400	(IX)	$ 30,115.92	$ 33,900
Treasurer and Tax Collector				
Commissions	$ 7,000		$ 6,331.61	$ 7,000
Other expenses	1,500		752.60	1,500
Total Treasurer and Tax Collector	$ 8,500	(IX)	$ 7,084.21	$ 8,500
2% Commission on Land Liens deducted by County Treasurer	$	(XIV)	$ 321.57	$ .....

Township Buildings

Salaries	$ 1,900		$ 1,900.00	$ 1,900
Materials and supplies	900		456.74	900
Fuel, light and water	2,600		2,416.04	2,600
Repairs to buildings	2,500		1,593.54	1,650
Insurance	220		939.67	920
Total Township Buildings	$ 8,120	(IX)	$ 7,305.99	$ 7,970

Police Protection

Salaries	$ 62,023		$ 50,325.80	$ 71,665
Uniforms	2,000		2,482.00	3,000
Office Supplies	200		262.04	300
Maintenance and Replacement Autos	6,500		4,495.51	5,700
Gasoline and Oil	4,500		4,665.52	5,000
Maintenance and Replacement Radio	1,000		5,333.60	1,000
Insurance, Compensation and Liability	1,200		983.57	1,500
Traffic Signals and Equipment	800		1,201.62	1,000
Other Expense	777		1,188.73	835
Total Police Protection	$ 79,000	(IX)	$ 70,500.21	$ 90,000

Fire Protection

Rental Fire Hydrants	$ 11,000		$ 10,407.00	$ 11,000
Contribution 5 Fire Companies	15,000		15,000.00	15,000
Insurance	1,000		818.62	1,000
Total Fire Protection	$ 27,000	(IX)	$ 26,225.62	$ 27,000

Street Lighting

Street Lighting Service	$ 31,000	(IX)	$ 30,165.00	$ 31,000

Building Regulation and Zoning

Salaries	$ 2,860		$ 2,860.00	$ 2,860
Other Expense	1,640		976.67	1,340
Total Building Regulation and Zoning	$ 4,500	(IX)	$ 3,836.67	$ 4,200

Civilian Defense

Total Civilian Defense Expenses	$ 3,000	(IX)	$ 962.68	$ .....

1,900	**Health and Sanitation**			
900	Salaries	$ 6,300	$ 6,300.00	$ 6,300
2,600	Inspection and Analysis of Milk	200	3.33	100
1,650	Materials and Supplies	300	217.67	300
920	Other Expense	1,400	1,020.63	1,500
7,970	Total Health and Sanitation	$ 8,250	(IX) $ 7,541.63	$ 8,200
	Garbage Collection and Disposal			
	Garbage Collection and Disposal Service	$ 12,300	(IX) $ 11,005.00	$ 19,000
1,665				
3,000				
300				
5,700	**Sanitary Sewers**			
5,000				
1,000	Materials and Supplies	$ 150	$ 49.00	$ 150
1,500	Maintenance of System	8,700	5,282.10	6,600
1,000	Other Expense	2,450	965.56	2,250
835	Total Sanitary Sewers	$ 11,300	(IX) $ 6,296.66	$ 9,000
0,000				
	Streets and Bridges Including Ashes and Rubbish			
	Salaries	$ 14,700	$ 10,013.86	$ 11,700
1,000	Wages	44,700	34,720.47	40,900
5,000	Office and Engineering Supplies	1,500	1,479.75	1,500
1,000	Operation, Maintenance and Replacement Motor Equipment	9,500	6,297.65	9,500
7,000	Maintenance and Installation Street Signs	1,300	117.00	300
	Insurance Compensation, Liability, Sidewalk	1,600	1,245.29	1,600
	Tools and Minor Equipment	750	683.45	750
	Road Materials for Maintenance	8,000	1,600.71	4,000
1,000	Other Expense	1,250	1,028.87	1,750
	Total Operation and Maintenance	$ 83,300	(IX) $ 57,187.05	$ 72,000
	Major Equipment	$ 2,700	$.....	$ 17,000
2,860				
1,340	Permanent Improvements, Transfer to General Fund	$ 14,000	(XII) $ 14,100.00	$ 16,500
4,200				
	Cash in Bank End of Year	$	(XV) $ 52,749.39	$ .....
	Total Disbursements and Bank Balance	$ 467,238	$463,850.50	$482,938
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PROPERTY VALUATION AND TAX LEVY FOR 1945

	Ward	Assessment	Tax Levied
ABINGTON	No. 1	$3,334,000.00	$38,341.86
SAW MILL HILL	No. 2	3,849,200.00	44,267.05
GLENSIDE	No. 3	1,409,100.00	16,204.92
McKINLEY	No. 4	3,028,695.00	34,833.95
CRESTMONT	No. 5	1,090,425.00	12,542.02
NORTH HILLS	No. 6	1,734,640.00	19,952.86
NOBLE	No. 7	2,535,500.00	29,158.33
ROSLYN	No. 8	1,908,915.00	21,962.95
ARDSLEY	No. 9	974,865.00	11,211.74
ROYCHESTER	No. 10	1,729,485.00	19,889.71
GLENSIDE	No. 11	999,250.00	11,491.46
GLENSIDE	No. 12	1,827,750.00	21,019.30
GLENSIDE	No. 13	1,578,450.00	18,152.21
		$26,000,275.00	$299,028.36

	1943	1944	1945
Property Valuation	$26,127,755	$26,101,350	$26,000,275
Valuation Tax Exempt Property	$ 4,662,300	$ 4,691,550	$ 4,711,100

TAX COLLECTION REPORT

Fiscal Year 1st Monday January	Total Property Tax	Uncollected End Fiscal Year	Uncollected Latest Available Date Jan. 1, 1946
1942	$311,447.82	$26,176.30	NONE
1943	$301,504.27	$20,999.83	NONE
1944	$300,190.29	$17,776.54	NONE
1945	$299,028.36	$16,511.35	$16,511.35

Tax Liens are filed with County first Monday of May following the year of levy and balances of uncollected taxes at end of year include the items which will be liened the following May if unpaid at that time.

TAX DATA

The Township Commissioners levied an 11½ mills tax for the fiscal year beginning January 1, 1946, which will be billed July 1.

General Township Purposes—10 mills
Special Bond Tax—1 mill
Park & Shade Tree Tax—¼ mill
Fire Purposes Tax—¼ mill

2% discount if paid prior to September 1. 5% penalty added on November 1.

Uncollected taxes are included in the next year's budget.

Liens are filed with County Commissioners on First Monday in May following the year of the levy.

SINKING FUNDS

Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Balances

Loan	Bank Balance Jan. 1, 1945	Received by Transfer and Bank Interest	Cash Paid Coupon Interest and Redemption of Bonds	Bank Balance Jan. 1, 1946
1925A	$18,076.09	$ 107.50	$18,183.59	.....
1927	16,384.92	4,439.50	951.12	$19,873.30
1928	4,362.69	4,967.83	541.22	8,789.30
1930	42,375.30	9,206.65	32,128.26	19,453.69
1931	14,768.19	7,403.26	2,104.90	20,066.55
1943	59,777.31	7,718.72	20,715.10	46,780.93
	$155,744.50	$33,843.46	$74,624.19	$114,963.77

BONDED DEBT

Abington Township, from 1906 to 1945 inclusive, had fifteen bond issues, totaling $874,000, and has never defaulted in its debt obligation.

	Bonds Outstanding	Sinking Funds	Net
January 1, 1946	$170,000.00	$114,963.77	$ 55,036.23
January 1, 1945	$236,000.00	$155,744.50	$ 80,255.50
January 1, 1944	$236,000.00	$197,875.21	$138,124.79
January 1, 1943	$201,000.00	$102,303.91	$ 98,696.09
January 1, 1942	$225,000.00	$ 92,168.76	$132,831.24

The legal debt limit is 7% of the assessed valuation:

2% under councilmanic authority.

5% under electorate authority.

TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE

The 1945 Tax Anticipation Note of $100,000 was sold February 9, 1945, to the Cheltenham National Bank, Cheltenham, Pa., at an interest rate of .395 per annum. This note was paid September 15 from the 1945 current taxes and the Township has no temporary loan obligation.

BANK DEPOSITORIES

The two depositories are—
Abington Bank & Trust Company, Abington, Pa.
Jenkintown Bank & Trust Company, Jenkintown, Pa.
Deposits are secured by Depository Agreement with security according to law.
Bank Balances and Investments, as of January 1, 1946, are—

		U. S. Government ⅞% Certificates of Indebtedness
General Funds	$52,749.39	.....
Park & Shade Tree Fund	$18,141.42	$20,000
Permanent Improvement Fund	$96,361.46	$30,000
Emergency Highway Maintenance Fund	$10,168.03	.....
Sinking Funds	$39,963.77	$75,000

TOWNSHIP AUDITORS' REPORT
of the
TOWNSHIP OF ABINGTON
Montgomery County, Pennsylvania
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1945
GENERAL FUNDS
Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Balances

RECEIPTS

I	Bank Balances, General Funds, January 1, 1945		$31,741.08
II	Received account of Miscellaneous Receipts	$25,003.72	
III	Received account of 1944 Taxes and Penalties	8,082.09	
IV	Received account of 1945 Taxes	282,483.72	
V	Received account of 1945 Penalties	413.32	
VI	Received account of Land Liens	13,324.00	
VII	Received account of Penalties and Interest on Land Liens	2,802.57	
VIII	Received account of 1945 Temporary Loan	100,000.00	
			432,109.42
			$463,850.50

DISBURSEMENTS

IX	Vouchers issued General Funds	$263,411.54	
X	Vouchers issued, 1945 Temporary Loan	100,000.00	
XI	Transfer to Sinking Funds (Special Tax)	26,868.00	
XII	Transfer to Permanent Improvement Fund	14,000.00	
XIII	Transfer to Park and Shade Tree Fund (Special Tax)	6,500.00	
XIV	2% Commission on Land Liens deducted by County Treasurer	321.57	
			$411,101.11
XV	Bank Balances, General Funds, January 7, 1946		52,749.39
			$463,850.50

TAXES RECEIVABLE

(by Township Treasurer)

		Total	Current	Delinquent
	Taxes Receivable January 1, 1945:			
XVI	Delinquent Taxes and Penalties, 1944	$18,505.30	$.....	$18,505.30
XVII	Additional Penalties 1944 to May 1945	253.22	.....	253.22
		$18,758.52	$.....	$18,758.52
	Add:			
	1945 Tax (adjusted)	$298,995.07	$298,995.07	$.....
	1945 Penalties	1,228.59	1,228.59	.....
XVIII	Total Additions	$300,223.66	$300,223.66	$.....
	Total	$318,982.18	$300,223.66	$18,758.52
	Deduct:			
XIX	Collection delinquent taxes and penalties, 1944	$8,082.09	$.....	$8,082.09
XX	Adjustment in assessment and exoneration 1944 Duplicate	38.24	.....	38.24
XXI	Liens filed for 1944 Taxes	10,638.19	.....	10,638.19
XXII	Collection 1945 Tax	282,483.72	282,483.72	.....
XXIII	Collection 1945 Penalties	413.32	413.32	.....
	Total Deductions	$301,655.56	$282,897.04	$18,758.52
XXIV	Taxes Receivable, January 7, 1946	$17,326.62	$17,326.62*	
	*Delinquent Taxes:			
	1945 Tax	$16,511.35		
	1945 Penalty	$ 815.27		

TAXES RECEIVABLE

(by County — Land Liens)

Duplicate	Tax Liens Receivable Jan. 1, 1945	Tax Liens Collected	Adjusted by Auditors	Tax Liens Receivable Jan. 7, 1946
1944 (May)	$10,638.19	$1,889.66	.....	$8,748.53
1943	10,308.09	2,406.91	.....	7,901.18
1942	9,318.02	1,772.06	.....	7,545.96
1941	6,637.46	1,315.37	.....	5,322.09
Prior Years	44,840.92	5,940.00	.....	38,900.92
Total	$81,742.68	$13,324.00	.....	$68,418.68

PARK AND SHADE TREE FUND

Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Balances

BALANCE		
Cash in Bank, January 1, 1945	$19,357.84	
RECEIPTS		
Transfer from General Fund, Special Tax	$6,500.00	
Public Subscription, World War II Memorial Park	730.00	
Interest on Investments	175.00	
Redemption of U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness	20,000.00	
Total Receipts	$27,405.00	
Total Receipts and Balance		$46,762.84
DISBURSEMENTS		
Penbryn Park	$4,316.00	
Roychester Park	311.75	
World War II Memorial Park	425.00	
Insurance and General Maintenance expenses	222.11	
Park Equipment	3,233.29	
Depository Expense	111.35	
Investment U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness	20,001.92	
Total Disbursements		$28,621.42
BALANCE		
Cash in Bank, January 7, 1946		$18,141.42

EMERGENCY HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE FUND

Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Balances

BALANCE		
Cash in Bank, January 1, 1945	$80.53	
RECEIPTS		
Interest on Investments	$87.50	
Redemption U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness	10,000.00	
Total Receipts	$10,087.50	
Total Receipts and Balance		$10,168.03
DISBURSEMENTS		
NONE		
BALANCE		
Cash in Bank, January 7, 1946		$10,168.03

WITHHELD TAXES FUND

Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Balances

BALANCE		
Cash in Bank, January 1, 1945	$899.90	

RECEIPTS		
Federal Withheld Taxes	11,555.72	
Total Receipts	11,555.72	
Total Receipts and Balance		$12,455.62
DISBURSEMENTS		
Federal Withheld Taxes	$11,454.42	
Total Disbursements		11,454.42
BALANCE		
Cash in Bank, January 7, 1946		$1,001.20

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PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT FUND
Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Balances

BALANCE		
Cash in Bank, January 1, 1945	$54,362.81	
RECEIPTS		
Improvement Liens	$2,997.33	
Refund, Interest and Costs on Improvement Liens	747.15	
Rental of Township Property	2,700.00	
Transfer from General Fund	14,000.00	
Interest on Investments	525.00	
Redemption U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness	60,000.00	
Total Receipts	$80,969.48	
Total Receipts and Balance		$135,332.29
DISBURSEMENTS		
Street Improvement	$1,499.40	
Sewer Improvements	1,270.00	
Depository Expense	293.76	
Sidewalk Repairs	56.80	
Investment U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness	30,012.24	
Purchase Property (Guernsey Ave. and Incinerator)	5,838.63	
Total Disbursements		$38,970.83
BALANCE		
Cash in Bank, January 7, 1946		$96,361.46

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IMPROVEMENT LIENS

	Receivable Jan. 1, 1945	Liens Filed Current Year	Liens Collected Current Year	Receivable Jan. 7, 1946
Improvement Liens	$25,268.82	$932.48	$7,420.81	$18,870.49

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BONDED INDEBTEDNESS AND SINKING FUNDS
Gross Bonded Indebtedness

	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1945	Outstanding Jan. 7, 1946
Councilmanic Authority	$236,000.00	$170,000.00
Total Gross Bonded Debt	$236,000.00	$170,000.00

SINKING FUND
Cash Receipts, Disbursements and Balances

BALANCE		
Cash in Bank, January 1, 1945	$55,744.50	
RECEIPTS		
Bond Tax	$26,868.00	
Interest Credited	1,056.94	
Glenside-Wharton Sewer Assessments	5,098.93	
Redemption U. S. Certificates of Indebtedness	100,000.00	
Total Receipts	$133,023.87	
Total Receipts and Balance		$188,768.37
DISBURSEMENTS		
Coupon Interest	$7,130.00	
State Tax	644.00	
Investment U. S. Certificates Indebtedness	75,030.60	
Redemption of Bonds	66,000.00	
Total Disbursements		$148,804.60
BALANCE		
Cash in Bank, January 7, 1946		$39,963.77
CASH ASSETS		
Bank Balances, General Funds		$52,749.39
Bank Balance, Park and Shade Tree Fund		18,141.42
Bank Balance, Permanent Improvement Fund		96,361.46
Bank Balance, Emergency Highway Maintenance Fund		10,168.03
Taxes Receivable, January 7, 1946		17,326.62
Tax Liens Receivable, January 7, 1946		68,418.68
Improvement Liens Receivable, January 1, 1946		18,780.49
U. S. Government ⅞% Certificates of Indebtedness		
Park and Shade Tree Fund		20,000.00
Permanent Improvement Fund		30,000.00
		$331,946.09
CASH ASSETS — BONDED INDEBTEDNESS		
Bank Balances, Sinking Funds		$39,963.77
U. S. Government ⅞% Certificates of Indebtedness		75,000.00
		$114,963.77
LIABILITIES — BONDED INDEBTEDNESS		
Outstanding Bonds		$170,000.00
		$170,000.00

The foregoing report has been prepared from the original books, papers and records of the Township of Abington for the fiscal year beginning on the first Monday of January 1945, and ending on the first Monday of January 1946, and we hereby certify the same to be a complete and correct statement of the financial transactions and condition of the Township of Abington in respect to each and every matter therein set forth.

D. E. KRUEGER,
CHARLES WILLIAMS,
WM. RAYMOND VOGEL,
Township Auditors.

Abington, Pennsylvania, February 4, 1946.
Attest:
E. RAYMOND AMBLER, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

The Directors of Public Safety submit for your consideration a brief review of the activities in the Bureaus of Police, Fire Protection, Street Lighting, Building Regulation and Zoning, and Civilian Defense.

Bureau of Police

There were 151 arrests during the year 1945 of which 46 were for violation of Township ordinances, 4 for violation of the School code, and 5 for violation of the State Motor Laws. Sixty lodgers were accommodated, 210 meals served to prisoners. The value of stolen goods recovered amounted to $7,286.56.

Cases reported to Coroner	15
Dangerous condition reported in roads, trees and wires	20
Dogs killed by officers	173
Fires reported	179
Prisoners fingerprinted and photographed	15
Street lights reported out	811
Stolen automobiles recovered	6
Stolen bicycles recovered	3
Attempted suicides	1

Automobile Equipment

The Office of Price Administration issued ration certificates permitting the Commissioners to replace two police patrol cars in the automobile fleet.

Police Radio

The Department of Public Safety, with the approval of the Federal Communications Commission, replaced the AM equipment with FM equipment for municipal police radio station WQNW, including a new 50-watt station house transmitter and receiver and ten police cars fully equipped for two-way communication.

The several neighboring municipalities served by the Abington Township police radio systems are also replacing the AM equipment in their police patrol cars with FM equipment.

Civil Service Commission

The Civil Service Commission held an examination in the Abington Senior High School on December 3, 1945 for the position of patrolman in Abington Township and certified a list of seven eligibles for the position.

Police Department

The seven members of the police department on leave of absence while serving in the Armed Forces have been honorably discharged from the Service and have resumed their duties as patrolmen.

Three new patrolmen have been requisitioned from the Civil Service Commission list of eligibles for appointment as patrolmen effective January 1, 1946.

Sergeant William J. Kenny retired on pension after serving nearly thirty-eight years as a member of the police force. It is expected the Civil Service Commission will hold an examination early in 1946 for the position of sergeant to fill this vacancy.

Proposed Police Headquarters

Mr. Charles F. Rabenold, Registered Architect, has been engaged to prepare plans for alterations to be made to the former Strouse & Jarrett garage now owned by the township, to provide for proper accomodation and housing of the personnel and equipment of the Department of Public Safety.

Traffic Regulations

The department, on several occasions during the year, painted school zone and cross-walk signs in the vicinity of the various schools in the township.

Permission was obtained from the State Department of Highways to establish a 35 mile-per-hour speed limit zone on York Road through the township, and it is expected these signs will be erected early in 1946.

Bureau of Fire Protection

The members of the Department of Public Safety, during the year, visited and inspected the various fire company buildings and equipment and reported on the excellent condition in which their houses and equipment were kept.

The annual audit of the accounts of the five volunteer fire companies reveals to the township they have a well-managed and financially sound fire department. A statement of the audit of the fire companies appears on page 21.

The Commissioners awarded a Certificate of Merit to those members of the Fire Department who qualified by reason of special training and work they have faithfully done to expand their knowledge and skill in fire fighting.

Fire Hydrants

Due to government restrictions on critical materials no new fire hydrants were installed during the year, the total number of fire hydrants in the township service remaining at two hundred seventy-four.

Bureau of Street Lighting

The utility company was unable to extend its service for civilian purposes due to government restrictions on critical materials and as a result no new street lights were installed during the year. The total number of 1000 lumen street lights in service is twelve hundred sixty-six, together with thirty 6000 lumen street lights.

FIRE COMPANIES AUDIT

The accounts of the fire companies in the Abington Township Fire Department were audited by the Township Auditors. A summary of the audit for 1945 follows:

	Abington	Weldon	Edge Hill	McKinley	Roslyn
Balance in General Fund 1/1/45	$ 1,528.28	$ 1,818.70	$ 780.32	$ 5,230.76	$ 2,416.92
Received during the year	6,130.86	6,109.52	3,768.51	4,208.76	3,648.86
	$ 7,659.14	$ 7,928.22	$ 4,548.83	$ 9,439.52	$ 6,065.78
Expenditures during year	6,037.70	6,350.74	3,129.38	3,428.19	3,998.94
Balance in General Fund 12/31/45	$ 1,621.44	$ 1,577.48	$ 1,419.45	$ 6,011.33	$ 2,066.84
Cash held in Special Funds	3,737.70	2,000.00	6,025.49	4,674.89	2,356.79
Assets	$40,860.14	$34,727.48	$33,244.94	$33,496.30	$27,108.17
Liabilities	None	None	None	None	None
Ambulance Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	$ 4,085.58

Bureau of Building Regulation and Zoning
Building Activities

Three hundred and seventy-nine applications were received and Building Permits issued during the year 1945 at an estimated cost as follows:

17	Dwellings	$119,350.00
288	Alterations	178,008.50
1	Office Building	1,500.00
1	Grocery Store	18,000.00
9	Signs	1,150.00
34	Garages and Service Stations	44,183.00
10	Chicken Houses and Playhouse	2,019.00
5	Storage Sheds	12,770.00
7	Oil Burners	3,835.00
4	Greenhouses	657.00
3	Buildings Demolished	
379		$381,472.50

The following statement sets forth the construction of dwellings, separate garages and gasoline service stations during the years 1941 to 1945 inclusive:

	DWELLINGS			SEPARATE GARAGES AND SERVICE STATIONS		
1941	398	Estimated Cost	$2,091,252	37	Estimated Cost	$27,980
1942	104	Estimated Cost	443,858	26	Estimated Cost	17,060
1943	4	Estimated Cost	14,700	16	Estimated Cost	3,720
1944	2	Estimated Cost	1,200	17	Estimated Cost	11,130
1945	17	Estimated Cost	119,350	34	Estimated Cost	44,183

Zoning

The Zoning Board of Adjustment held public hearings during the year on the following petitions for special exceptions or variances from the terms of the Abington Township Zoning Ordinance of 1936, as follows:

Appeal No. 173—To permit the erection and operation of a modern gasoline filling and service station on the premises situated on the southeasterly corner of Township Line Road and Cadwalader Avenue in the McKinley Ward No. 4, zoned in the "F" Commercial District—Appeal Granted.

Appeal No. 174—To permit the use of the existing three story dwelling to be renovated and used as a Dietary Home, on the premises situated on the northerly side of Spring Avenue, approximately 100 feet north of Rydal Road, known as 502 Spring Avenue in the Noble Ward No. 7, zoned in the "L" Residence District — Appeal Refused.

Appeal No. 175—To permit the erection of a repair shop as an addition to the existing modern gasoline filling and service station on the premises situated on the easterly corner of York Road and Horace Avenue in the Abington Ward No. 1, zoned in the "F" Commercial District—Appeal Granted.

Appeal No. 176—To permit the erection of an addition to dwelling on premises situated on the westerly corner of Kimball Avenue and Crestview Avenue, being Lot No. 1, Section C on Plan of Clearview, zoned in the "H" Residence District—Appeal Granted.

Appeal No. 178—To permit the use, for restaurant and taproom purposes, of the first floor of twin stores located on the westerly corner of Keswick Avenue and Mt. Carmel Avenue in the Glenside Ward No. 12, zoned in the "F" Commercial District—Application Withdrawn.

Appeal No. 179—To permit the use, for restaurant and taproom purposes, of the first floor of twin stores located on the southerly side of Jenkintown Road, 50 feet westwardly from Tyson Avenue in the Glenside Ward No. 3, zoned in the "F" Commercial District—Appeal Granted.

Appeal No. 180—To permit the use, for educational purposes, of the buildings and premises consisting of 35½ acres bounded by Hampton Road, Hampton Road East, Hunter Road, and Woodland Road in the Abington Ward No. 1, zoned in the "V" Residence District—Appeal Granted.

Appeal No. 181—To permit the alteration and construction of an addition to the existing drug store on the premises situated on the northerly corner of Jenkintown Road and Tyson Avenue in the Ardsley Ward No. 9, zoned in the "F" Commercial District—Appeal Granted.

Appeal No. 183—To permit the erection and operation of an automobile repair shop on the premises situated on the northwesterly side of Easton Road, approximately 159 feet northeastwardly from Jenkintown Road in the Glenside Ward No. 3, zoned in the "F" Commercial District—Appeal Granted.

Appeal No. 187—To permit the construction of a dwelling on the premises situated on the corner of Wheatsheaf Lane and a private right-of-way or driveway, approximately 110 feet Northeastwardly from Rockwell Road, in the Abington Ward No. 1, zoned in the "O" Residence District—Appeal Granted.

Appeal No. 188—To permit the construction of a dwelling with attached garage on the premises situated on the easterly corner of Pleasant Avenue and Cottage Road in the Glenside Ward No. 11, zoned in the "T" Residence District—Appeal Granted.

Appeal No. 189—To permit the construction of a one-story store on the premises situated on the southerly corner of Easton Road and Wharton Road in the Glenside Ward No. 12, zoned in the "F" Commercial District—Appeal Granted.

Appeal No. 192—To permit a two-family occupancy of the garage and barn situated on the southwesterly corner of Washington Lane and Wyncote Road in the McKinley Ward No. 4, zoned in the "V" Residence District—Appeal Granted.

Appeal No. 193—To permit the operation of an automobile repair shop on the premises situated on the northerly side of Rodman Avenue, approximately 115 feet west of York Road in the Noble Ward No. 7, zoned in the "F" Commercial District—Appeal Refused.

The Board of Commissioners held public hearings on seven petitions to change the zoning classifications of districts as follows:

Appeal No. 182—To change that portion of Abington Township abutting the easterly side of Easton Road, beginning at a point approximately 40 feet northwardly from its intersection with Mt. Carmel Avenue, and extending for a distance of approximately 259 feet with a depth of approximately 140 feet in the Glenside Ward No. 12, from "T" Residence District to "F" Commercial District—Appeal Refused.

Appeal No. 184—To change that portion of Abington Township abutting the easterly side of Reservoir Avenue, extending from LaMott to Rubicam Avenue, a distance of approximately 550 feet with a depth of approximately 110 feet, in the Crestmont Ward No. 5, from "L" Residence District to "G" Industrial District—Appeal Granted.

Appeal No. 185—To change that portion of Abington Township abutting the southerly side of Welsh Road for a distance of approximately 296 feet and being bounded by Fleming Avenue, Rubicam Avenue, and Osbourne Avenue, containing therein approximately 5½ acres of land, in the Crestmont Ward No. 5, from "T" Residence District to "F" Commerical District—Appeal Refused.

Appeal No. 186—To change that portion of Abington Township abutting the Northerly side of Township Line Road, extending from Perry Street to Johns Avenue, a distance of approximately 300 feet, in the McKinley Ward No. 4, from "H" Residence District to "F" Commercial District—Appeal Refused.

Appeal No. 190—To change that portion of Abington Township abutting the easterly side of Rockwell Road, formerly Grove Avenue, extending from Rubicam Avenue to Tremont Avenue, for a distance of approximately 150 feet in the Roychester Ward No. 10, from "H" Residence District to "F" Commercial District—Appeal Refused.

Appeal No. 191—To change that portion of Abington Township abutting the westerly side of Easton Road, extending from Lynnwood Avenue for a distance of 510 feet to a point approximately 130 feet south of Rosemore Avenue, thence extending in a westerly direction approximately 435 feet paralleling Rosemore Avenue to a point approximately 130 feet east of the proposed Sylvania Avenue thence extending in a southerly direction approximately 630 feet paralleling the proposed Sylvania Avenue to a point in Lynnwood Avenue, approximately 130 feet east of the proposed Sylvania Avenue, thence extending eastwardly along the northerly side of Lynnwood Avenue approximately 420 feet to its intersection with Easton Road and the place of beginning, in the Glenside Ward No. 13, from "V" Residence District to "L" Residence District—Appeal Refused.

The Board of Commissioners adopted Ordinance No. 538 amending the Abington Township Zoning Ordinance of 1936 of Abington Township, Montgomery County, Pennsylvania, to permit the erection of monuments and memorials for public and historical purposes when authorized as a special exception by the Board of Adjustment.

Civilian Defense

The Civilian Defense organization cooperated in the United Clothing Collection last Spring for the needy in war-devastated countries. More than twenty-five tons of clothing were collected in Abington Township.

The several pieces of motor vehicle equipment loaned to the township for civilian defense purposes were returned to their respective owners during the year.

Pursuant to directive of the State Council of Defense the Board of Commissioners adopted resolution December 13, 1945 officially dissolving the Abington Township Council of Defense with thankful appreciation for a public service well performed.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

The Directors Public Health submit for your consideration, a brief review of the activities in the Bureaus of Health and Sanitation, Garbage Collection, and Sanitary Sewers.

Bureau of Health and Sanitation

Physicians, during the year 1945, reported to the Bureau of Health, 167 cases of communicable diseases. Fifty-one cases of Poliomeylitis were admitted to the Abington Memorial Hospital, only ten of which were from Abington Township.

The Health Officer received 44 complaints of overflowing cesspools and directed the owners to abate the nuisance. It was necessary to prosecute, before the Justice of the Peace, one person for failure to have the cesspool condition corrected. Five persons were directed to discontinue draining waste water into the public highway.

The Health Officer made 136 dairy and milk plant inspections during the year to see that the requirements of State and Township regulations for producing and handling milk were carried out, and in several instances directed that changes be made to meet the regulations. He made laboratory tests of samples of milk and cream from time to time to ascertain if they met the proper standards.

Samples of water were taken periodically from the Stoddard Spring on Rydal Road, Rydal. Analysis indicated water was safe for domestic consumption.

Pursuant to the provisions of Act No. 369, approved May 23, 1945, the Health Officer made inspection of the public eating and drinking places within the township, and issued licenses to 75 such establishments.

Plumbing Inspection

The Plumbing Inspector reported certificates of registration were issued to 87 Master Plumbers and 20 Journeyman Plumbers, and 129 plans of plumbing work were approved and permits issued during the year 1945.

Ninety-six leaching cesspools and sub-soil drainage systems were installed under the supervision of the Plumbing Inspector.

Forty-one Certificates of Sanitary Drainage were issued on forms required by F. H. A.

Garbage Collection

The Commissioners awarded a contract to Romano Brothers of Norristown in the amount of $17,985. for the collection and disposal of garbage from the entire township during the year 1946. Garbarge will be collected from the rear of the house and hauled away in modern sanitary garbage trucks. Householders are reminded to keep their garbage receptacles in a convenient location near the rear of the house where it is accessible to the collector at all times.

Collections will be made once each week during the month of November to April inclusive, and twice in each week during the months of May to October inclusive.

Garbage and Refuse Incinerator

The Board of Commissioners carefully weighed the advisability of constructing an Incinerator Plant for the burning of garbage and refuse. A 16 acre tract of land containing a large abandoned quarry hole situated on the easterly side of Fitzwatertown Road in Upper Dublin Township was purchased for $4500, from the Real Estate Trust Company of Philadelphia, Trustee under the Will of Adeline McKean Baggs,

deceased, as the most desirable site for the location of the proposed Incinerator. An agreement has been executed between Abington Township nd Upper Dublin Township for the purpose of planning, financing, constructing, operating, managing and maintaining an Incinerator.

Pursuant to requests from several neighboring municipalities to participate in the financing and use of the Incinerator the Commissioners appointed an Incinerator Committee to meet with a like committee from the several interested municipalities to negotiate an agreement for the construction of the proposed Incinerator and the use thereof. Numerous meetings have been held and a suggested uniform ordinance for the collection of refuse is being prepared for the consideration of the participating municipalities if and when such an agreement is effected.

Bureau of Sanitary Sewers

Four properties in the Johnson-Wharton tract, Glenside and three properties along the easterly side of York Road, between Susquehanna Street and Woodland Road, Abington, were connected to the Township, sanitary sewer system during the year. Two properties on the northerly side of Cloverly Avenue at Rodman Avenue and at Cheltena Avenue, were connected to the Jenkintown Borough sanitary sewer system in Cloverly Avenue.

The Board of Commissioners, on September 13, 1945, adopted Ordinance No. 542 signifying their desire to make an increase of the debt of said township of Abington in the sum of $1,300,000, for the purpose of providing funds for and towards the cost of the construction of a complete sanitary sewer system, including a sewage treatment plant, for the use of the township; and calling an election for the purpose of obtaining the assent of the electors to said increase of debt.

The voters, at the election November 6, 1945, approved the increase in debt by a substantial majority, the results being as follows:

4,017 votes YES
1,763 votes NO

2,254 majority

The Commissioners subsequently authorized the advertisement for sale of $1,300,000. of sewer and sewage treatment plant bonds to be dated February 1, 1946; bids to be received January 24, 1946; Townsend, Elliott & Munson, Esq., of Philadelphia, to prepare the legal opinion and secure the proper approval of the Department of Internal Affairs of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. In view of the township's good financial standing and the favorable bond market it was anticipated that a low interest rate could be obtained, possibly 1% or 1½%.

The township's sewer engineer, Albright & Friel, Inc., was authorized to proceed with the preparation of detail and final plans and specifications, bidding sheets and contracts, and all necessary papers in connection with the installation of the sanitary sewer system and construction of the sewage treatment plant. It is the hope of the Commissioners that the first step in this project which will take three years to construct can be started possibly by Summer of 1946. This will depend, however, on an improved condition in the labor and material market and satisfactory bids being received.

Albright & Friel, Inc., submitted under date of January 16, 1945 a comprehensive report containing data necessary to amend the sewer agreement with Cheltenham Township as it relates to the additional points of connection with their sanitary sewer system to permit the sewage from the Tacony Creek watershed areas in Abington Township to be discharged into their system.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

The Directors of Public Works submit for your consideration a brief review of the activities in the Bureau of Highways.

Real Estate Registry

1115 real estate deeds were officially registered. The Draftsman in the Township Engineer's office checked the description of the deeds with the real estate registry maps and made thereon any changes necessary.

Highway Permits

86 applications were received for permission to open, break or excavate street, sidewalk and curb, erect new poles, and for establishing grades and lines for installations of sidewalk, curb and gutter paving, under the provisions of Ordinance No. 357. The applications were approved by the Township Engineer and permit issued.

Resurfacing and Surface Treatment

Due to the severe labor shortage the Department was unable to Resurface or Surface Treat any streets in the township.

Construction Gilbert Road

Contract was awarded Samuel Glasgow, Glenside, Pa., to construct Gilbert Road from Mill Road to Randolph Road, in the Saw Mill Hill Ward No. 2, on October 11, 1945. 80% of the rough grading was completed when work was recessed until early spring of 1946.

York Road Sidewalks

The State Department of Highways together with the Montgomery County Commissioners awarded contract to Frank R. Curtis, Philadelphia, Pa., on October 1, 1945, for the construction of sidewalks on both sides of York Road from Wharton Road, Noble, to Keith Road, Abington, where the property owners have dedicated the land necessary for sidewalk purposes.

House and Building Numbers

The Township Engineer has been preparing necessary data to assign official numbers to each lot and improved property in the township, in conformance with the master plan for a uniform numbering system in Abington Township adopted in 1943. North Hills Ward No. 6 was assigned official numbers on February 1, 1945 and Ardsley Ward 9 on June 1, 1945.

Under the provsions of Ordinance No. 536 enacted March 8, 1945, the owner or occupant of every house or building in Abington Township is required, within 30 days after receipt of notice of their official house or building number, to post same conspicuously on the street side of the house or building, or on the entrance gate post, or beside the driveway in such a manner that it will be clearly visible or legible from the street. Failure to comply with the provisions of the ordinance will subject said person to a fine not to exceed $10 and costs of prosecution.

The benefits of a uniform numbering system are obvious in that it eliminates confusion and inconvenience resulting from the lack of, or duplication of house numbers, and provides definite information for the Police and Fire Departments in the performance of their duties, as well as facilitates delivery services.

Ash and Refuse Collection

Weekly collections of refuse and ashes were made according to the Winter Schedule and monthly collections according to the Summer Shedule. A total of 2,372 truck loads of refuse and ashes were collected. The ashes were sorted and placed on unimproved streets in various wards of the township. The refuse was deposited on township property at Ardsley and other lowlands in various parts of the township. Department of Public Works' trucks traveled 22,056 miles collecting and disposing the refuse and ashes.

Miscellaneous Work

The high bank at the southerly corner of Church Road and Township Line Road, McKinley Ward No. 4, was graded to provide better vision for pedestrian and vehicular traffic. The land owner gave permission for this work to be done.

Cinders and calcium chloride were placed on slippery hills and intersections during the winter and snow plowed from all roads.

10,000 feet of snow fence was erected at various locations in the township.

Reading and inspections were made weekly of the sanitary sewer meters located in Stewart Avenue, Ward 11, and in the Standard Pressed Steel Company premises at Mt. Carmel Avenue and Highland Avenue, Ward 12. Calculated the quantities of sewage measured by each meter during 1945 and they are as follows: Stewart Avenue—70,589,000 gallons or a daily (24 hour day) average of 193,121 gallons an increase of 9½% over last year. Standard Pressed Steel Company premises—30,-208,000 gallons or a daily (24 hour day) average of 82,762 gallons, an increase of 16% over last year.

Parks and Playgrounds

Since 1923, the Abington Township Commissioners have acquired seven parks and playgrounds located in various sections of the township, and installed ball diamonds and playground equipment.

The well-known Baederwood Park with its virgin woodland, rippling stream, log cabin, picnic tables, fire places and playground equipment is an ideal retreat enjoyed by many families each summer.

At the Roychester Park the barn was converted into a Community Building and is the center of many community activities the year around.

In Crestmont Park a large picnic Shelter Building has been erected which serves the community both summer and winter with its hugh fireplaces and up-to-date conveniences.

Last summer the Board of Commissioners in cooperation with the School Board approved an expanded summer playground program and placed orders totaling $5,000 for the purchase of modern all-weather playground equipment and incorporating the latest in safety features. The township will erect and maintain the equipment on various township and school playgrounds and the School Board will furnish supervision for the recreational program.

DIRECTORY OF
ABINGTON TOWNSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ABINGTON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Susquehanna Street and Huntingdon Road
Abington, Pennsylvania

ABINGTON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Highland Avenue opposite Canterbury Road
Abington, Pennsylvania

HIGHLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Edge Hill and Keith Roads
Abington, Pennsylvania

CEDAR ROAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Cedar Road, North of Gibson Avenue
Hollywood, Pennsylvania

McKINLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Cadwalader Avenue, West of Jenkintown Road
McKinley, Pennsylvania

NORTH HILLS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Pine and Tennis Avenues
North Hills, Pennsylvania

PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
High and Rubicam Avenues
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania

ROSLYN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Susquehanna Street and Johnston Avenue
Roslyn, Pennsylvania

ARDSLEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Spear and Cricket Avenues
Ardsley, Pennsylvania

OVERLOOK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Welsh and Edge Hill Roads
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania

GLENSIDE-WELDON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Easton Road and Parkdale Avenues
Glenside, Pennsylvania

GLENSIDE-WELDON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
Easton Road and Parkdale Avenue
Glenside, Pennsylvania

OTHER SCHOOLS IN ABINGTON TOWNSHIP

ABINGTON FRIENDS SCHOOL
Jenkintown Road and Greenwood Avenue
Jenkintown, Pennsylvania

MEADOWBROOK SCHOOL
Hampton and Meadowbrook Roads
Meadowbrook, Pennsylvania

OGONTZ SCHOOL
Woodland Road and School Lane
Rydal, Pennsylvania

ST. LUKE'S PAROCHIAL SCHOOL
Lynnwood Avenue and Easton Road
Glenside, Pennsylvania

DIRECTORY OF CHURCHES

ABINGTON FRIENDS MEETING
Meetinghouse Road and Greenwood Avenue
Jenkintown, Pennsylvania

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN ABINGTON
York Road and Susquehanna Street
Abington, Pennsylvania

ARDSLEY COMMUNITY CHAPEL
Harrison Avenue and Jenkintown Road
Ardsley, Pennsylvania

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF CRESTMONT
Rubicam and Fairview Avenues
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania

CARMEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Mt. Carmel Avenue and Edge Hill Road
North Hills, Pennsylvania

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST
Abington and Parkdale Avenues
Glenside, Pennsylvania

FAITH COMMUNITY CHURCH
Easton and Bradfield Roads
Roslyn, Pennsylvania

GLENSIDE M. E. CHURCH
Easton Road and Lynnwood Avenue
Glenside, Pennsylvania

GLENSIDE EVANGELICAL AND REFORMED CHURCH
Abington Avenue and Wharton Road
Glenside, Pennsylvania

HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
Parkview and Lycoming Avenues
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania

METHODIST CHURCH OF CRESTMONT
Rubicam and Washington Avenues
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania

OLIVET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Cypress and Cadwalader Avenues
Elkins Park, Pennsylvania

ORTHODOX FRIENDS MEETING
Jenkintown Road, North of Forest Ave.
Elkins Park, Pennsylvania

ROSLYN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Easton Road and Tyson Avenue
Roslyn, Pennsylvania

ROYCHESTER PARK M. E. CHURCH
Edge Hill Road and Ferndale Avenue
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania

ST. ANNE'S P. E. CHURCH
Welsh and York Roads
Willow Grove, Pennsylvania

ST. LUKE'S R. C. CHURCH
Easton Road and Lynnwood Avenue
Glenside, Pennsylvania

ST. MARK'S REFORMED EPISCOPAL CHURCH
100 Cypress Avenue
Jenkintown, Pennsylvania

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
Easton Road and Mt. Carmel Avenue
Glenside, Pennsylvania

ST. PETER'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Easton Road, North of Tague Avenue
Glenside, Pennsylvania

WHARTON AVENUE BAPTIST CHURCH
Wharton Road and Weldon Avenue
Glenside, Pennsylvania