

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Commissioners on Firemen's Relief

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 1940

Department of Treasurer and Receiver General



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COMMISSIONERS ON FIREMEN'S RELIEF OF MASSACHUSETTS

1940

VINCENT C. STANLEY, Newton, *Chairman*
DANIEL J. LOONEY, Boston, *Secretary*
WILLIAM E. HURLEY, Boston, *State Treasurer*

(Appointed by the Governor)

VINCENT C. STANLEY, Newton. Term Expires December 1940
GEORGE L. JOHNSON, Waltham. Term Expires December 1941

(Elected by State Firemen's Association)

MICHAEL F. TURNER, Newton. Term Expires September 1941
EDWARD J. COVENEY, Boston. Term Expires September 1942

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LEGISLATION

General Laws, Chapter 10

COMMISSIONERS ON FIREMEN'S RELIEF

SECTION 21. There shall be a board to be known as the commissioners on firemen's relief serving in the department and consisting of the state treasurer, ex officio, two members appointed by the governor, with the advice and consent of the council, and two members appointed by the Massachusetts State Firemen's Association. Upon the expiration of the term of office of an appointive member, his successor shall be appointed as aforesaid for two years. Any vacancy existing shall be filled for the unexpired term in the manner of the original appointment.

General Laws, Chapter 48

FIREMEN'S RELIEF

SECTION 81. The sum of eighteen thousand dollars may be paid annually from the state treasury to furnish relief to firemen injured in the performance of their duty at a fire or in going thereto or returning therefrom or while engaged in company drills, when such drills are ordered by the chief, acting chief or board of engineers of the fire department, or required by city ordinance or town by-law, and to widows and children of firemen killed in the performance of such duty. Payments on account of said relief shall be determined in manner and amount, on properly approved vouchers, by the commissioners on firemen's relief, in the same manner as other claims against the commonwealth. Five hundred dollars of the amount hereby authorized may be expended for the traveling and incidental expenses of said commissioners.

SECTION 82. Any officer or member in active service in an incorporated protective department co-operating with a fire department, and any person performing the duties of a fireman in a town having no organized fire department, shall be entitled to the benefits provided by the preceding section.

STATISTICS

Appropriation, 1940

Relief.....		\$17,100.00
Incidentals, appropriation.....		358.81
		\$17,458.81
Total.....		\$17,458.81

Payments, 1940

Relief:		
Claims		\$14,402.25
Minor Children.....		1,362.00
		\$15,764.25
Incidentals:		
Clerical work.....		\$175.60
Traveling.....		99.96
Printing.....		46.43
Postage.....		14.86
		\$336.85
Total Relief and Incidental Expenses.....		\$16,101.10
Balance.....		\$1,357.71

Financial Statement Verified.

WALTER S. MORGAN, *Comptroller.*

CLAIMS OF INJURED FIREMEN

CITIES and TOWNS	Call Men	Permanent Men	Investigated	Rejected	Amounts
Ashland	1	-	-	-	\$200.00
Beverly	-	1	-	-	34.50
Boston	-	220	25	9	6,660.25
Brockton	-	5	-	-	169.00
Brookline	-	4	1	-	215.25
Cambridge	-	1	-	-	100.00
Chelsea	-	5	2	-	324.50
Danvers	1	-	-	-	20.00
Fall River	-	13	1	-	361.00
Franklin	-	1	-	-	15.75
Gardner	1	-	-	-	200.00
Groveland	1	-	-	-	50.00
Harvard	1	-	-	-	80.00
Hingham	2	3	-	-	376.50
Holbrook	1	-	-	-	136.00
Holyoke	-	5	-	1	141.00
Lawrence	1	1	-	-	58.50
Leominster	1	2	-	-	214.00
Lowell	-	9	1	-	307.50
Lynn	-	7	-	-	188.25
Malden	-	1	-	-	33.75
Marlboro	2	-	1	-	86.00
Melrose	1	-	-	-	200.00
Middleboro	1	-	-	-	28.00
Milford	1	-	-	-	32.00
Millers Falls	1	-	-	-	20.00
Milton	-	1	-	-	9.00
Nahant	-	1	-	-	21.00
Natick	-	2	-	-	67.50
New Bedford	-	4	-	-	106.50
Newton	-	7	-	-	278.50
North Andover	1	-	-	-	60.00
North Attleborough	1	-	-	-	30.00
North Brookfield	1	-	-	-	14.00
Peabody	-	2	-	-	34.50
Plymouth	1	-	1	-	75.25
Quincy	-	5	-	-	76.50
Revere	-	1	-	-	17.25
Salem	1	2	-	-	326.75
Sherborn	1	-	1	-	200.00
Somerville	-	12	2	1	699.00
Southbridge	2	-	-	-	44.00
Stoneham	-	1	1	-	13.50
Swampscott	-	1	-	-	27.00
Swansea	1	-	-	-	28.00
Taunton	-	4	-	-	101.25
Turners Falls	1	-	-	-	42.00
Waltham	3	-	-	-	70.00
Webster	3	-	-	-	94.00
West Brookfield	1	-	-	-	200.00
Wenham	1	-	-	-	14.00
Westport	3	-	-	-	84.00
Wilmington	1	-	-	-	200.00
Winchendon	1	-	-	-	14.00
Woburn	-	1	-	-	30.75
Worcester	-	33	1	-	1,110.25
Wrentham	1	-	-	-	62.00
					<u>\$14,402.25</u>

Claims considered 406 Claims allowed 395 Accident Claims Rejected 11

CLAIMS OF MINOR CHILDREN

CITIES and TOWNS	Number of Beneficiaries	Total Number of Weeks	Amount of Benefits Paid at \$2 per week
Boston	6	227	\$454.00
Chicopee	1	52	104.00
Fall River	7	292	584.00
Lexington	1	6	12.00
Randolph	1	52	104.00
Westboro	1	52	104.00
	<u>17</u>	<u>681</u>	<u>\$1,362.00</u>