

Regular Meeting of the Library Board

January 24, 1924.

Present: Mr. Shade and Mr. Scott. Mr. Hardy, Mr. Swisher and Mrs. Gastman sent notice that they could not be present.

The meeting was called to order by W. P. Shade, president pro tem during the absence of Mr. Hardy.

The list of about 200 new books was passed upon and ordered purchased.

Mention was made of the leaks in the Lincoln room and reference room, caused by the melting snow. A plumber was called and repaired the damage.

It was decided to close the library on February 23rd, Washington's birthday.

The 1924 meeting of the Illinois Library Association was to be held in Decatur October 14-16.

A regional conference under the joint auspices of the Illinois Library Association and the Library Extension Division of the Illinois State Library was to be held in this library on February 14th, with Miss Price presiding.

Bills to the amount of \$1,975.41 were approved by the Finance Committee and ordered paid.

On motion adjourned.

Alice G. Evans.
Secretary.

January 25, 1924.

Librarian's Report for December 1923

	<u>Book Account</u>				Total.
	Adult.	Child.	Branch.	School.	
Total vols. 30 Nov. 1923	37,843	6,437	2,747	2,381	49,408
New books added by purchase	26	16	23		65
New books added by gift	45	1	6		52
Magazines bound	123	3	2		128
Books replaced	2	5			7
Total additions	196	25	31		252
Books withdrawn	108	22	30	1	161
Total vols. 31 Dec. 1923	37,931	6,440	2,748	2,380	49,499

	<u>Registration</u>				Total.
	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Branch</u>		
	Adult.	Child.	Adult.	Child.	
Cards in force 30 Nov. 1923	8,374	3,713	369	856	13,312
Borrowers registered	168	53	9	16	246
Borrowers' cards cancelled	161	81	4	24	270
Cards in force 31 Dec. 1923	8,381	3,685	374	848	13,288

	<u>Circulation</u>				Schools.	Deposit.	Total.
	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Branch</u>				
	Adult.	Child.	Adult.	Child.			
Books issued	9,444	4,066	1,062	1,548	2,022	833	18,975
Largest daily circulation at Main library-					1,024.	At Branch-	199
Smallest " " " " " "					252.	" "	45
Average " " " " " "					540.	" "	104
Delinquent postals sent	-----						489
Reserve postals sent	-----						114

	<u>Binding and Repair</u>	
Books repaired in library	-----	617

	<u>Sunday Opening</u>	
Visitors: Men -- 117. Women -- 79. Children -- 18. Total -- 214		

	<u>Classified Report</u>			Total.
	<u>Book Account</u>			
	Adult.	Child.	Branch.	
General works	37	1	3	41
Philosophy	2			2
Religion	2	1		3
Sociology	25		1	26
Science	17	1	2	20
Useful arts	42	1	4	47
Fine arts	17	3	1	21
Literature	18		2	20
Travel	8	3	4	15
Biography	5		2	7
History	6	1	1	8
Fiction	18	13	11	42
Total	197	24	31	252
Rental coll.	3			3

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	<u>Classified Report</u>					Total.
	<u>Circulation</u>					
	Adult.	Child.	Branch.	Schools.	Stations.	
General works	14	4	6			24
Philosophy	107	2				109
Religion	90	18	15	26	2	151
Sociology	276	420	199	375	62	1332
Philology	3					3
Science	148	63	55	133	30	429
Useful arts	252	53	42	34	37	418
Fine arts	251	74	20	11	10	366
Literature	435	307	117	107	49	1015
Travel	142	130	39	145	35	491
Biography	195	62	17	49	23	346
History	223	100	42	161	38	564
Fiction	6838	2815	1916	981	514	13064
Foreign bks.	15					15
Magazines	123	18	142		33	316
Rental coll.	332					332
Total	9444	4066	2610	2022	833	18975

Finance

Receipts:

Balance due from appropriation 30 Nov. 1923	-----\$19,566.03
Fees for non-residents	11.00
Fines, damages & lost bks.	105.64
Rental coll.	14.80
Other sources	2.56

Total receipts -----\$19,700.03

Expenditures:

Salaries	-----\$1,337.00
Books	378.92
Periodicals	2.00
Supplies	23.75
Repairs & improvements	180.21
Light & heat	142.66
Postage, freight & exp.	11.08
Telephone	3.60
Paving	173.25
Miscellaneous	5.03

Total expenditures ---\$2,257.50

Balance due from appropriation 31 Dec. 1923 --\$17,442.53

Respectfully submitted,

Alice G. Evans

Librarian.