

Regular Meeting of the Library Board

February 25, 1927

Present: Messrs. Hardy, Shade, Scott, Mrs. Gastman and Mrs. Vincent.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The librarian's report was read, on motion approved and ordered placed on file.

A letter from E.P. McCune, of the Illinois Light and Power Corporation, was read. This gave the result of his investigation of our heating system with recommendations for improvements. It was referred to the Board as a committee of the whole.

On motion, the new books recommended by the Book committee were ordered purchased.

The front elevation of the proposed enlargement of the library building was shown. Mr. Hardy explained the Illinois library law pertaining to the raising of funds for buildings and said this method had been employed in Bloomington.

He suggested that the City council meet with the Library board after the election to discuss the needs of the library.

A letter was read from Miss Hammond, who is now in San Antonio, acknowledging the letter of sympathy from the Board on the death of her brother.

It was announced that the librarian would take her deferred vacation in March, going to Florida.

Bills to the amount of \$3444.12 were approved by the Finance committee and ordered paid.

On motion, adjourned.

Minnie A. Dill
Secretary.

Librarian's Report for January, 1927

Book Account

	Adult	Child	Evans branch	E.End branch	Hosp.	Schools	Total
Total vols. 31 Dec. 1926	41566	7112	4019	1059	239	2637	56632
New books added by purchase	92	32	3	116	0	0	243
New books added by gift	12	0	3	20	0	0	35
Books replaced	52	81	8	3	0	2	146
Total additions	156	113	14	139	0	2	424
Total vols. 31 Jan. 1927	41722	7225	4033	1198	239	2639	57056

Registration

	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Evans br.</u>		<u>E.End br.</u>		Total
	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	
Cards in force 31 Dec. 1926	9663	3704	623	949	188	326	15453
Borrowers registered	282	60	21	20	12	25	420
Borrowers cards cancelled	259	52	11	25	0	0	347
Cards in force 31 Jan. 1927	9686	3712	633	944	200	351	15526

Circulation

	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Evans br.</u>		<u>E.End br.</u>		Hosp.	Schools	Total
	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child			
Books issued	12816	4679	1234	1827	969	1198	138	3000	25861
Largest daily circ. at Main Lib.-	1215		At Evans br.-		180	At E.End br.-		144	
Smallest daily circ " " " "			358		80			34	
Average " " " " " "			700		122			87	
Delinquent postals sent -----									550
Reserve postals sent -----									152

Binding and Repair

Books repaired in library -----	737
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Sunday opening

Visitors: Men -- 162	Women -- 66	Children -- 19	Total- 247
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Classified Report

Book Account

	Adult	Child	Evans branch	E.End branch	Schools	Total
General works	1	1				2
Philosophy	5					5
Religion	2	1	1			4
Sociology	8	15		2		25
Philology ^{Science}	2 ₂					2 ₂
Useful arts	6	1		3		10
Fine arts	10	2		7		19
Literature	16	5		1		22
History	6	3	1	4		14
Travel	7	12		2	2	23
Biography	15	2		1		18
Fiction	76	71	12	119		278
Total	156	113	14	139	2	424
Rental coll.	7					

Classified Report
Circulation

	Adult	Child	Evans branch	E. End branch	Hosp.	Schools	Total
General works	46	8	14				68
Philosophy	153		4	1			158
Religion	156	20	19	7		65	267
Sociology	201	463	230	109		469	1472
Philology	7						7
Science	153	110	56	32		162	513
Useful arts	299	80	48	28		60	515
Fine arts	359	86	42	38	1	24	550
Literature	667	180	89	72	5	184	1197
History	241	130	81	40		280	772
Travel	243	185	74	60	3	117	682
Biography	300	63	36	49		198	646
Fiction	9565	3339	2292	1606	129	1441	18372
Magazines	105	15	76	125			321
Foreign books	39						39
Rental coll.	282						282
Total	12816	4679	3061	2167	138	3000	25861

Finance

Receipts:

Balance due from appropriation 31 Dec. '27 -----	\$16902.87
Fees for non-residents ---	10.00
Fines, damages, lost bks.-	140.40
Rental coll. -----	14.70
Reserve post cards -----	2.90
Interest -----	6.04

Total receipts ----- \$17076.91

Expenditures:

Salaries -----	\$1802.60
Janitor service -----	257.00
Books -----	373.28
Periodicals -----	30.00
Binding -----	175.54
Supplies -----	96.22
Repairs & improvements ---	60.49
Light -----	74.75
Heat -----	148.96
Furniture & fixtures -----	30.20
Rent -----	35.00
Telephone -----	12.20
Postage, freight, express-	6.77
Paving -----	523.15
Miscellaneous -----	27.94
Total expenditures -----	\$3654.10
Balance due from appropriation 31 Jan. 1927 -----	\$13422.81

Respectfully submitted,

Minnie A. Dill
Librarian