

Regular Meeting of the Library Board

January 31, 1930

Present: Messrs. Hardy, Allen, Lorenz, and Mrs. Gastman and Mrs. Evans.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

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

Unfinished business,- The adjustments made by the various agencies carrying the automobile liability insurance of employees using their cars for library purposes, was not satisfactory to the Board. No definite action was taken in regard to the matter; further investigation was to be made.

Mention was made of the opening of a new station in Waid McCarty's grocery on Cantrell street at Jasper.

Resolutions were passed expressing the sympathy of the members of the Library Board, to Mr. Shade, in the loss of his wife; ^{Jan. 31} the resolutions to appear in the official minutes.

In the absence of any member of the Finance committee, Mr. Edgar Allen was appointed to sign the vouchers.

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

Bills to the amount of \$3,434.00 were approved by the Finance committee and ordered paid.

On motion, adjourned.

Mabel A. Wayne

Acting secretary.

Members of the board of the Decatur Public library desire to express to their fellow member, W. P. Shade, their sincere regret for the death of his wife, Sophie Busher Shade, which occurred in her home Friday, January 31.

Mr. Shade and his family know that they have the deepest sympathy of this board, whose members have enjoyed the pleasant fellowship with the husband and father.

The board desires that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to Mr. Shade and that they appear in the official minutes.

Adopted unanimously by
the Board, Jan. 31, 1930
W. F. Hardy, President.
Mabel A. Wayne, Secretary.

Librarian's Report for December, 1929

	<u>Book Account</u>						Total
	Adult	Child	Evans branch	E. End branch	Hosp.	Schools	
Total vols. 30 Nov. 1929	44450	7466	4776	2143	235	2815	61885
New books added by purchase	84	11	28	29	0	0	152
New books added by gift	16	0	0	0	0	0	16
Magazines bound	55	3	8	3	0	0	69
Books replaced	138	9	3	0	0	2	152
Total additions	293	23	39	32	0	2	389
Books withdrawn	85	10	51	13	0	1	160
Total vols. 31 Dec. 1929	44658	7479	4764	2162	235	2816	62114

	<u>Registration</u>						Total
	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Evans br.</u>		<u>E. End br.</u>		
	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	
Cards in force 30 Nov. 1929	10469	3719	863	1274	537	1049	17911
Borrowers registered	233	53	18	15	13	9	341
Borrowers cards cancelled	209	63	18	19	0	0	309
Cards in force 31 Dec. '29	10493	3709	863	1270	550	1058	17943

	<u>Circulation</u>									Total
	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Evans br.</u>		<u>E. End br.</u>		Hosp.	School	Station	
	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child				
Books issued	11840	4908	1540	2600	1281	1612	92	2944	101	26818
Largest daily circ. at Main Lib.	-1153		At Evans br.		-317		At E. End br.		-161	
Smallest " " " "	"	"	"	229	"	"	"	49	"	44
Average " " " "	"	"	"	670	"	"	"	165	"	111
Delinquent postals sent	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	792
Reserve postals sent	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	182
Pictures loaned	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	161

<u>Binding and Repair</u>											
Books sent to bindery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	250
Books repaired in library	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1340

<u>Sunday Opening</u>								
Visitors:	Men --	112	Women --	47	Children --	8	Total ---	167

<u>Classified Report</u>						
	<u>Book Account</u>				Schools	Total
	Adult	Child	Evans branch	E. End branch		
General works	19	2	0	1	0	22
Philosophy	4	0	0	0	0	4
Religion	2	0	0	0	0	2
Sociology	28	2	0	0	0	30
Science	13	1	2	3	0	19
Useful arts	29	4	3	3	0	39
Fine arts	16	0	0	0	0	16
Literature	16	1	1	1	0	19
History	5	1	0	0	0	6
Travel	7	0	8	2	0	17
Biography	11	0	0	1	1	13
Fiction	143	12	25	21	1	202
Total	293	23	39	32	2	389
Rental coll.	5					

Classified Report
Circulation

	Adult	Child	Evans branch	E.End branch	Hosp.	Schools	Stations	Total
General works	27	4	1	2	0	0	0	34
Philosophy	133	1	5	4	0	0	0	143
Religion	109	39	31	27	0	64	0	270
Sociology	177	456	273	136	0	394	0	1436
Philology	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
Science	165	106	98	46	0	154	0	569
Useful arts	283	74	76	41	0	95	0	569
Fine arts	272	70	57	34	0	26	0	459
Literature	551	338	180	115	0	179	0	1363
History	251	121	107	40	0	300	3	822
Travel	276	163	76	63	1	303	2	884
Biography	324	66	60	52	0	84	0	586
Fiction	8847	3426	2977	2058	59	1345	96	18808
Magazines	157	44	177	175	32	0	0	585
Foreign books	46	0	22	0	0	0	0	68
Rental coll.	202	0	0	0	0	0	0	202
Total	11840	4908	4140	2793	92	2944	101	26818

Finance

Receipts:

Balance due from appropriation 30 Nov. 1929 -----	\$20,084.13
Fees for non-residents ---	23.00
Fines, damages, lost bks. --	127.35
Rental coll. -----	11.25
Reserve postals -----	3.40
Interest -----	9.47

Total receipts ----- \$20,258.60

Expenditures:

Salaries -----	\$1789.65
Janitor service -----	230.00
Books -----	503.04
Periodicals -----	1.00
Printing -----	2.25
Binding -----	299.49
Supplies -----	21.75
Light -----	77.65
Heat -----	127.45
Furniture & fixtures --	63.90
Rent -----	35.00
Telephone -----	12.20
Postage, freight, express	385.78
Paving -----	337.00
Interest -----	111.06
Miscellaneous -----	28.23
Total expenditures --	\$3645.45

Balance due from appropriation 31 Dec. 1929 \$16613.15

Respectfully submitted,

Minnie A. Dill

Librarian.