

Regular Meeting of the Library Board

January 30, 1931

Present: Messrs. Hardy, Shade, 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.

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

Regrets on the passing of Mr. Guy Lewis were expressed and the resolutions herewith appended, were presented and adopted.

The matter of taking out a sustaining membership of \$100 a year in the American Library Association was presented. This membership was requested to aid in securing the \$20,000 still necessary for the Association to qualify for a million dollar endowment from the Carnegie Corporation. The secretary was instructed to notify the Association that the membership fee was considered too expensive for our library to undertake.

Bills to the amount of \$3,034.58 were approved by the Finance Committee and ordered paid. In the absence of a second member of the Finance committee, Mrs. Vincent was appointed to sign the vouchers.

On motion, adjourned.

Mabel A. Wayne

Acting librarian.

Classified Report

Circulation

	Adult	Child	Evans branch	E.End branch	Hosp.	School	Stations	Total
General works	17	5	22	8	0	0	0	52
Philosophy	223	2	2	1	0	0	0	228
Religion	149	76	29	28	0	52	0	334
Sociology	292	468	217	142	1	425	0	1545
Philology	14	0	0	1	0	0	0	15
Science	274	99	73	79	0	192	0	717
Useful arts	373	68	81	51	10	51	0	634
Fine arts	405	73	61	38	0	15	1	593
Literature	929	369	225	153	1	135	0	1812
History	328	97	118	69	0	267	0	879
Travel	450	147	112	85	0	301	0	1095
Biography	514	94	83	57	0	125	1	874
Fiction	11316	3809	4311	2931	114	1571	794	24846
Magazines	132	40	231	250	19	0	0	672
Foreign books	43	0	14	0	0	0	0	57
Rental coll.	165	0	0	0	0	0	0	165
Total	15624	5347	5579	3893	145	3134	796	34518

Finance

Receipts:

Expenditures:

Balance due from appropriation 30 November 1930 --	\$20,427.20	Salaries -----	\$1,849.35
Fees from non-residents --	22.00	Janitor service -----	235.00
Fines, damaged & lost books	160.07	Books -----	451.69
Rental coll. -----	8.65	Periodicals -----	1.00
Reserve postals -----	4.28	Supplies -----	104.24
Interest -----	4.79	Repairs & Improvemants ---	13.08
		Light -----	60.11
		Heat -----	108.40
		Rent -----	35.00
		Telephone -----	5.00
		Postage, freight, express-	13.35
		Insurance -----	35.80
		Paving -----	337.00
		Interest -----	90.84
		Miscellaneous -----	19.99
		Total expenditures ----	3,359.85
Total receipts -----	\$20,626.99	Balance due from appropriation 31 Dec. 1930 -----	\$17,267.14

Respectfully submitted,

Mabel A. Wayne

Acting Librarian.

Resolutions.

Guy P. Lewis died suddenly at his desk Wednesday, Jan. 14, 1931.

Mr. Lewis was serving his second term as a member of the board of the Decatur public library, having first been appointed in 1927.

While business duties necessitated his absence from many of the meetings of the board, Mr. Lewis brought to his library work intelligent and sympathetic interest and both the board and librarian found his advice on financial matters helpful.

Mr. Lewis' fellow trustees desire in these words to record their appreciation of his services, their satisfaction at the pleasant association with him, and their sincere regret at his untimely death.

They further desire that this resolution be spread upon the minutes and that a copy be supplied to Mr. Lewis' family.

Adopted by the Board of Trustees, Decatur
Public Library, January 30, 1931.

By

W. S. Hardy
President

Mabel A. Wayne
Acting Secretary