

Regular Meeting of the Library Board.

April 29, 1927.

Present: Messrs. Hardy, Shade, Scott and Lorenz.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

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

A report about work on the grounds was made: dead trees had been removed and other trees and hedges trimmed and sprayed. It was recommended that a few more shrubs be planted in the rear of the lot. Mr. Lorenz and the librarian were to see about it.

The increase in telephone rates was reported, and Mr. Hardy and Mr. Shade were to see Mr. Howells, the manager, regarding the matter.

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

Changes on the staff were reported: the resignations of Miss Collier and Miss Merry, and the addition of Miss Louisa W. Gasey, who comes from the Greenville public library as loan desk assistant, May 16.

The annual meeting was to be held near the middle of May, the exact date left to the librarian. As has been customary the past few years, the regular meeting in May will be dispensed with, as the report will be incorporated in the annual report. The Finance committee will meet the last Friday in the month to approve the bills and the President will sign the checks.

Bills to the amount of \$3,120.36 were approved by the <sup>Finance</sup> committee and paid.

On motion, adjourned.

*Minnie A. Dill*, Secretary.

Librarian's Report for March, 1927.

Book account

|                             | Adult | Child | Evans Branch | E. End Branch | Hosp. | Schools | Total |
|-----------------------------|-------|-------|--------------|---------------|-------|---------|-------|
| Total vols. 28 Feb. '27     | 41823 | 7279  | 4056         | 1296          | 239   | 2645    | 57338 |
| New books added by purchase | 179   | 40    | 44           | 47            | 0     | 0       | 310   |
| New books added by gift     | 8     | 1     | 0            | 0             | 0     | 0       | 9     |
| Books replaced              | 54    | 31    | 4            | 2             | 0     | 3       | 94    |
| Total additions             | 241   | 72    | 48           | 49            | 0     | 3       | 413   |
| Books withdrawn             | 89    | 38    | 40           | 2             | 3     | 0       | 172   |
| Total vols. 31 Mar. 1927    | 41975 | 7313  | 4064         | 1343          | 236   | 2648    | 57579 |

Registrations

|                            | Main Lib. |        | Evans Br. |        | E. End Br. |       | total |
|----------------------------|-----------|--------|-----------|--------|------------|-------|-------|
|                            | Adult     | Child. | Adult     | Child. | Adult      | Child |       |
| Cards in force 28 Feb. '27 | 9772      | 3673   | 630       | 955    | 207        | 372   | 15609 |
| Borrowers registered       | 280       | 83     | 18        | 34     | 17         | 33    | 465   |
| Borrowers' cards cancelled | 232       | 84     | 21        | 23     | 0          | 0     | 360   |
| Cards in force 31 Mar. '27 | 9820      | 3672   | 627       | 966    | 224        | 405   | 15714 |

Circulation

|                           | Main Lib.        |       | Evans Br.          |       | E. End Br.          |       | Hosp. | Schools | Total |
|---------------------------|------------------|-------|--------------------|-------|---------------------|-------|-------|---------|-------|
|                           | Adult            | Child | Adult              | Child | Adult               | Child |       |         |       |
| Books issued              | 13389            | 5357  | 1318               | 1838  | 944                 | 1585  | 202   | 3511    | 28144 |
| Largest daily circulation | Main Lib. - 1262 |       | At Evans br. - 180 |       | At E. End Br. - 141 |       |       |         |       |
| Smallest "                | "                | "     | "                  | 413   | "                   | "     | 56    | "       | 57    |
| Average "                 | "                | "     | "                  | 69    | "                   | "     | 116   | "       | 94    |
| Delinquent postals sent   | -----            |       |                    |       |                     |       |       |         | 457   |
| Reserve postals sent      | -----            |       |                    |       |                     |       |       |         | 231   |

Binding and Repair

|                           |       |     |
|---------------------------|-------|-----|
| Books sent to bindery     | ----- | 281 |
| Books repaired in library | ----- | 593 |

Sunday Opening

|               |       |       |       |          |      |       |     |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|----------|------|-------|-----|
| Visitors: Men | ---93 | Women | -- 52 | Children | -- 9 | Total | 192 |
|---------------|-------|-------|-------|----------|------|-------|-----|

Classified Report

Book Account

|               | Adult | Child | Evans branch | E. End branch | Schools | Total |
|---------------|-------|-------|--------------|---------------|---------|-------|
| General works | 5     | 0     | 0            | 0             | 0       | 5     |
| Philosophy    | 6     | 0     | 0            | 0             | 0       | 6     |
| Religion      | 2     | 0     | 0            | 0             | 0       | 2     |
| Sociology     | 23    | 7     | 6            | 3             | 1       | 40    |
| Philology     | 1     | 0     | 0            | 0             | 0       | 1     |
| Science       | 9     | 3     | 1            | 0             | 0       | 13    |
| Useful arts   | 30    | 0     | 0            | 0             | 0       | 30    |
| Fine arts     | 15    | 2     | 1            | 0             | 0       | 18    |
| Literature    | 36    | 7     | 4            | 2             | 0       | 49    |
| Travel        | 10    | 4     | 3            | 3             | 0       | 20    |
| Biography     | 15    | 3     | 1            | 0             | 0       | 19    |
| Fiction       | 84    | 45    | 30           | 39            | 2       | 200   |
| Total         | 241   | 72    | 48           | 49            | 3       | 413   |
| Rental Coll.  | 10    |       |              |               |         |       |

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Circulation

|               | Adult | Child | Evans<br>branch | E. End<br>branch | Hosp. | Schools | Total |
|---------------|-------|-------|-----------------|------------------|-------|---------|-------|
| General works | 40    | 4     | 2               | 0                | 0     | 0       | 46    |
| Philosophy    | 200   | 5     |                 |                  |       |         | 205   |
| Religion      | 159   | 30    | 14              | 10               |       | 77      | 290   |
| Sociology     | 247   | 500   | 260             | 128              | 1     | 452     | 1588  |
| Philology     | 7     |       |                 |                  |       |         | 7     |
| Science       | 165   | 159   | 55              | 37               |       | 193     | 609   |
| Useful arts   | 247   | 102   | 36              | 38               |       | 86      | 509   |
| Fine arts     | 400   | 110   | 39              | 47               | 1     | 368     | 633   |
| Literature    | 709   | 203   | 132             | 102              | 4     | 217     | 1367  |
| History       | 330   | 145   | 57              | 32               |       | 251     | 815   |
| Travel        | 272   | 158   | 71              | 71               | 4     | 120     | 696   |
| Biography     | 333   | 103   | 32              | 39               | 2     | 269     | 778   |
| Fiction       | 9852  | 3822  | 2383            | 1948             | 190   | 1810    | 20005 |
| Magazines     | 115   | 16    | 75              | 77               |       |         | 283   |
| Foreign books | 33    |       |                 |                  |       |         | 33    |
| Rental coll.  | 280   |       |                 |                  |       |         | 280   |
| Total         | 13389 | 5357  | 3156            | 2529             | 202   | 3511    | 28144 |

Finance

Receipts:

|                                 |             |
|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Balance due from appropriati-   |             |
| ation 28 Feb. 1927-----         | \$10,158.45 |
| Fees for non-residents-----     | 9.00        |
| Fines: damages and lost books-- | 158.43      |
| Rental coll.-----               | 13.45       |
| Reserve postals-----            | 4.12        |
| Interest-----                   | 6.42        |

Total receipts-----\$10, 349.87

Expenditures:

|                         |         |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Salaries-----           | 1841.80 |
| Janitor service-----    | 257.00  |
| Books-----              | 939.89  |
| Periodicals-----        | 3.00    |
| Binding-----            | 243.77  |
| Supplies-----           | 144.43  |
| Light-----              | 72.15   |
| Heat-----               | 104.41  |
| Furniture & fixtures--  | 4.25    |
| Rent-----               | 35.00   |
| Telephone-----          | 12.20   |
| Postage, freight, etc.- | 19.45   |
| Miscellaneous           | 30.21   |
| Total expenditures \$   | 3707.56 |
| Balance due from appro- |         |
| riation 31 March '27 \$ | 6642.31 |

Respectfully submitted,

*Minnie A. Dill*

Librarian