

Regular meeting of the Library Board

October 30, 1925

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

Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

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

On motion, the new books recommended by the Book Committee were ordered purchased. The purchase through an agent of a new set of MODERN ELOQUENCE in 12 volumes, for \$56.50 was ordered.

The list of periodicals for 1926 was presented, and on motion, the subscription for these was to be given to the F.W. Faxon Co., without other bids, as this firm has been most satisfactory.

A letter was read from the Swain Nelson Co. regarding the trees planted by them saying they would replace all that had died.

Plans regarding the placing of a collection of books in the Decatur and Macon county hospital were presented. It was announced that Dr. Wipperman was having a book truck built at the hospital,- this will be a saving to the library of at least \$50.00. Mr. Scott asked about placing a collection of books in the Pythian Home. No action was taken.

The need of more shelving for the Alice G. Evans branch was reported. Stouffer Bros. were to be engaged to do the work.

In order to put the collection of bound periodicals in good condition six hundred volumes or so will have to be

rebound, at an average of \$1.25 per volume. On motion, this work was to be done.

Mention was made that it had been impossible to take inventory at the usual time owing to repairs in the library and the Fiftieth anniversary celebration, and it was recommended that this be omitted for the year, as many libraries always take inventory at infrequent periods. This was left to the judgment of the librarian.

It was announced that Children's Book Week was to be observed, Nov. 9-14, and that Miss Abel, former children's librarian, would assist afternoons.

Bills to the amount of \$2,524.44 were approved by the Finance Committee and ordered paid.

On motion, adjourned.

Minnie A. Dill

Secretary.

Librarian's Report for September, 1925

	<u>Book Account</u>		Branch	Schools	Total
	Adult	Child			
Total vols. 31 August 1925	39,890	6,893	3,391	2,429	52,603
New books added by purchase	239	37	14	93	383
" " " " gift	3		12		15
Magazines bound	2				2
Books replaced	40	40	56	75	211
Total additions	284	77	82	168	611
Books withdrawn	108	71	33	6	218
Total vols. 30 September 1925	40,066	6,899	3,440	2,591	52,996

	<u>Registration</u>				Total
	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Branch</u>		
	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	
Cards in force 31 Aug. 1925	39,017	3,733	525	892	14,167
Borrowers registered	207	38	8	13	266
Borrowers' cards cancelled	257	62	4	9	332
Cards in force 30 Sept. 1925	8,967	3,709	529	896	14,101

	<u>Circulation</u>						Total
	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Branch</u>		<u>Stations</u>		
	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Pines	Staley	
Books issued	8,549	2,851	865	1,004	113	310	13,692
Largest daily circulation at Main library -					727	At Branch -	135
Smallest " " " " " "					160	" "	34
Average " " " " " "					342	" "	78
Delinquent postals sent	-						361
Reserve postals sent	-						98

Bindind and Repair

Books repaired in library	-----	726
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Classified Report

	<u>Book Account</u>				Total
	Adult	Child	Branch	Schools	
General works	5				5
Philosophy	2				2
Religion	9			3	12
Sociology	22	7	4	32	65
Philology					
Science	11	2	1	6	20
Useful arts	20	2			22
Fine arts	36	3	1		40
Literature	46	10	4	7	67
Travel	15	3	5	24	47
Biography	22	2	2	13	39
History	14	4		22	40
Fiction	82	44	65	61	252
Foreign books					
Total	384	77	82	168	611
Rental coll.	4				

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	<u>Classified Report</u>		Branch	Stations	Total
	<u>Circulation</u>				
	Adult	Child			
General works	16	3			19
Philosophy	67		2	4	73
Religion	79	12	4	2	97
Sociology	153	362	133	5	653
Philology	6				6
Science	102	61	16	7	186
Useful arts	169	71	32	1	273
Fine arts	191	33	25	9	258
Literature	406	108	65	16	595
Travel	147	87	22	1	257
Biography	114	42	16	2	174
History	164	89	24	9	286
Fiction	6622	1974	1430	362	10,388
Foreign books	7				7
Magazines	82	9	100	5	196
Rental coll.	224				224
Total	8549	2851	1869	423	13,692

Finance

Receipts:

Balance due from appropriation 31 Aug. 1925 -----	\$33,203.19
Fees for non-residents ----	7.00
Fines, damages & lost bks-----	111.20
Rental collection -----	14.20
Other sources -----	2.60
 Total receipts -----	 \$33,338.19

Expenditures:

Salaries -----	\$1,643.35
Books -----	482.18
Periodicals -----	3.50
Binding -----	116.17
Supplies -----	68.17
Repairs & improvements --	1.30
Light & heat -----	43.39
Postage, freight, express--	10.61
Miscellaneous -----	18.78
Total expenditures ---	\$2,387.45
Balance due from appropriation 30 Sept. 1925 --	\$30,950.74

Respectfully submitted,

Minnie A. Dill

Acting Librarian