

Regular Meeting of the Library Board

November 24, 1939

Present: Messrs. Shilling, Knuth, Borchers, Nash,
Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Garman and Miss Riggs.

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, the list of new books recommended by the
Book committee was ordered purchased.

Report was made on the landscaping of the grounds at
the Main library and Evans branch under the direction of Mr. J.A.
Frazier, superintendent of the Decatur Park District. The shrubs
and trees were donated by the Park Board, and most of the labor of
removing the old growths and planting new things was done by Mr.
Frazier's workmen of the W.P.A. Miss Emmy Lou Smith, a graduate
of the University of Illinois in landscape architecture, drew the
planting plan and presented her services in this and overseeing
the planting.

Brief mention was made of the meeting of the Illinois
Library Association in Peoria, October 26-28.

On motion, the staff salaries for December were to be
paid in two instalments,- the first by the middle of the month
and the second half after the regular Board meeting December 29,
when both vouchers will be approved.

Bills to the amount of \$3,463.44, together with the bill
of \$44.49 paid from the Sarah Ellen Glore fund, for a display case
for the Evans branch, were approved by the Finance committee and
ordered paid. Mr. Borchers acted on the committee for this meeting.

On motion, adjourned.

Minnie A. Dill

Secretary.

Librarian's Report for October, 1939

Book Account

	Adult	Juvenile	Total
Total vols. 30 Sept. '39	56255	16239	72494
New books added by purchase	257	70	327
New books added by gift	11	0	11
Magazines bound	102	4	106
Books replaced	3	3	6
Total additions	373	77	450
Total vols. 31 Oct. '39	56628	16316	72944

Registration

	Main Lib.		Evans br.		Total
	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	
Cards in force 30 Sept. '39	12186	3884	742	953	17765
Borrowers registered	354	69	24	34	481
Borrowers cards cancelled	362	90	19	51	522
Cards in force 31 Oct. '39	12178	3863	747	936	17724

Circulation

	Main lib.		Evans br.		Schools	Total
	Adult	Child	Adult	Child		
Books issued	13347	3562	1362	1819	5417	25507
Largest daily circ. at Main library-			951	At Evans branch-		167
Overdue notices sent	-----					369
Reserve postals sent	-----					254
Pictures loaned	-----					759
Telephone calls	-----					390

Binding and Repair

Books repaired in library	-----	1308
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Classified Report

	Main lib.		Evans branch	E. End branch	Schools	Total
	Adult	Child				
Total vols. 30 Sp. '39	51794	8609	6524	2388	3179	72494
New books added:						
General works	39	3	1	0	0	43
Philosophy	8	0	0	0	0	8
Religion	16	0	0	0	0	16
Sociology	52	3	3	0	1	59
Language	1	0	0	0	0	1
Science	15	4	0	0	0	19
Useful arts	38	6	6	0	0	50
Fine arts	27	2	8	0	0	37
Literature	26	3	0	0	0	29
History	24	0	0	0	0	24
Travel	41	8	4	0	0	53
Biography	24	0	3	0	0	27
Fiction	33	35	11	0	4	83
Foreign books	1	0	0	0	0	1
Total added	345	64	36	0	5	450
Rent coll.- 19						
Total vols. 31 Oc. '39	52139	8673	6560	2388	3184	72944

