

Regular Meeting of the Library Board

December 31, 1926

Present: Messrs. Hardy, Shade, Scott, 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.

The question of more shelving in the children's room, brought up at last meeting, was reconsidered, at it was thought best to wait until summer to have alterations made.

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

The constant repairing of heating pipes and radiators was reported, with no assurance that we can get through the winter without a serious breakdown. It was decided to consult E.P. McCune, heating engineer of the Illinois Power & Light Corporation, as to the immediate need of complete overhauling of the heating system.

Mrs. Casey, janitor at the East End branch had asked for an increase in salary. She was making \$15.00 a month and, on motion, she was increased to \$17.00 a month.

Bills to the amount of \$3,248.00 were approved by the Finance committee and ordered paid.

On motion, adjourned.

Minnie A. Dill
Secretary.

Librarian's Report for November, 1926

Book Account

	Adult	Child	Evans branch	E.End branch	Hosp.	Schools	Total
Total vols. 31 Oct. 1926	41322	7105	3925	980	239	2632	56203
New books added by purchase	131	26	35	74	0	0	266
New books added by gift	53	0	12	6	0	0	71
Magazines bound	67	2	1	0	0	0	70
Books replaced	27	46	3	0	0	5	81
Total additions	278	74	51	80	0	5	488
Total vols. 30 Nov. 1926	41600	7179	3976	1060	239	2637	56691

Registration

	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Evans br.</u>		<u>E.End br.</u>		Total
	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	
Cards in force 31 Oct. 1926	9848	3744	621	938	156	259	15366
Borrowers registered	280	150	23	46	18	44	561
Borrowers cards cancelled	291	168	14	52	0	0	525
Cards in force 30 Nov. 1926	9637	3726	630	932	174	303	15402

Circulation

	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Evans br.</u>		<u>E.End br.</u>		Hosp.	School Stations	Total	
	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child				
Books issued	11283	5959	1231	1887	848	1229	144	4853	207	27641
Largest circ. at Main Lib.	1175		At Evans br.		202		At E.End br.		66	
Smallest " " " "	262		"	"	"	31	"	"	"	14
Average " " " "	690		"	"	"	124	"	"	"	49
Delinquent postals sent	-----									652
Reserve postals sent	-----									136

Binding and Repair

Books sent to bindery	-----	138
Books repaired in library	-----	929

Sunday Opening

Visitors: Men	-- 102	Women	-- 59	Children	-- 13	Total	-- 174
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Classified Report

Book Account

	Adult	Child	Evans branch	E.End branch	Schools	Total
General works	46	22	1			69
Philosophy	4		1			5
Religion	7		5	1		13
Sociology	56	3	3	2	1	65
Philology	1					1
Science	6	1			1	8
Useful arts	17	1	2	2	1	23
Fine arts	12		6	2		20
Literature	19	5	1	2		27
History	11	12	1	1		25
Travel	21	4	2	2		29
Biography	6	1	1			8
Fiction	72	25	28	68	2	195
Total	278	74	51	80	5	488
Rental coll.	11					

Classified Report

Circulation

	Adult	Child	Evans branch	E. End branch	Hospital	Schools	Station	Total
General works	26	5	3	1				35
Philosophy	122	7	1	2				132
Religion	140	33	18	17		92		300
Sociology	218	696	253	121		791		2079
Philology	6	1	1					8
Science	149	126	55	41		276		647
Useful arts	231	89	34	26		70		450
Fine arts	282	115	47	43	3	26		516
Literature	635	347	137	118	8	357		1602
History	303	207	87	45		417		1059
Travel	242	232	64	103	7	129		777
Biography	196	77	40	40		384		737
Fiction	8333	4006	2288	1367	126	2311	207	18638
Magazines	111	18	90	153				372
Foreign books	16							16
Rental coll.	273							273
Total	11283	5959	3118	2077	144	4853	207	27641

Finance

Receipts:

Balance due from appropriation 31 Oct. '26	\$22,626.18
Fees for non-residents	23.00
Fines, damages & lost bks	131.93
Rental coll.	13.88
Reserve post cards	2.20
Sale of old books and papers	8.99
Interest	6.26
Total receipts	\$22,812.44

Expenditures:

Salaries	\$1,794.30
Janitor service	255.00
Books	455.90
Periodicals	6.28
Binding	41.70
Supplies	68.24
Repairs & improvements	42.85
Light	67.81
Heat	41.29
Rent	35.00
Telephone	12.20
Postage, freight, etc	15.06
Miscellaneous	13.83
Total expenditure	\$2,849.46
Balance due 30 Nov. '26	\$19,962.98

Respectfully submitted,

Minnie A. Dill
Librarian.