

Regular Meeting of the Library Board

August 26, 1927

Present : Messrs Shade, Scott, Lewis, Bachman, Mrs. Gastman and Mrs. Leon.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

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

Unfinished business;- The work on the heating system in the main building was finished. Mr. Lorenz was not present so there was no report on the furnace at the Evans branch.

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

Staff resignations reported were: Miss Hildebrandt, the children's librarian, who left to take a position in the Buffalo Public Library; Miss Davis, who leaves after a seven and a half years' service, to take a long rest; Miss Keyl leaves to take a course at the Millikin University. She was connected with the library four and a half years.

Miss Rains, of Sioux Falls, was ~~been~~ offered the position of children's librarian and had been in Decatur to see about it. Decision to be made soon.

Miss Margaret Hogle had joined the staff and, after an apprentice course, would assist at the loan desk.

It was reported that the Children's Summer reading contest would end this week and that the certificates would be awarded at the closing exercises next Wednesday, August 31, to the child in each grade through the sixth, who had the most gold stars to his credit.

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Bills to the amount of \$2997.56 were approved by
the Finance Committee and ordered paid.

On motion, adjourned.

Minnie A. Dill,

Secretary.

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Librarian's report for July, 1927

Book Account

	Adult	Child	Evans branch	E. End branch	Hosp.	School	Total
Total vols. 30 June 1927	42177	7370	4199	1509	225	2496	57976
New books added by purchase	28	4	24	27	0	196	279
Books replaced	22	29	10	1	25	0	87
Total additions	50	33	34	28	225	196	366
Books withdrawn	55	46	16	6	0	17	140
Total vols. 31 July 1927	42172	7357	4217	1531	250	2675	58202

Registration

	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Evans branch</u>		<u>E. End branch</u>		Total
	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	
Cards in force 30 June 1927	9900	3692	634	976	242	436	15880
Borrowers registered	142	60	7	5	12	8	234
Borrowers' cards cancelled	111	61	1	7	0	0	180
Cards in force 31 July 1927	9931	3691	640	974	254	444	15934

Circulation

	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Evans branch</u>		<u>E. End branch</u>		Hospital	Total
	Adult	Child	Adult	Child	Adult	Child		
Books issued	10585	4388	823	805	664	812	130	18,207
Largest daily circ. at Main Lib.-	838		At Evans br.-	102	At E. End br.-			87
Smallest " " " "	"	"	"	300	"	"	"	23
Average daily " " " "	"	"	"	599	"	"	"	59
Delinquent postals sent	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	476
Reserve postals sent	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	156

Binding and Repair

Books sent to bindery	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	105
Books repaired in library	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	614

Classified Report

	<u>Book Account</u>		Evans branch	E. End branch	Hospital	Schools	Total
	Adult	Child					
General works	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Philosophy	1	0	0	1	0	0	2
Sociology	7	5	2	1	0	21	36
Science	3	1	1	1	0	0	6
Useful arts	2	0	0	1	0	0	3
Fine arts	2	1	3	3	0	0	9
Literature	7	1	0	0	2	0	10
History	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Travel	1	3	3	3	0	79	89
Biography	4	0	1	1	0	22	28
Fiction	21	22	24	17	23	74	181
Total	50	33	34	28	25	196	366
Rental coll	5						

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	<u>Classified Report</u>					Total
	<u>Circulation</u>					
	Adult	Child	Evans branch	E. End branch	Hospital	
General works	27	1	0	2	0	30
Philosophy	97	1	0	0	0	98
Religion	91	8	2	4	0	105
Sociology	103	460	99	79	0	741
Philology	8	0	0	0	0	8
Science	101	63	19	14	0	197
Useful arts	179	44	21	15	0	259
Fine arts	254	68	19	30	0	371
Literature	322	91	38	34	2	487
History	87	89	18	15	0	209
Travel	166	54	21	25	0	266
Biography	109	27	5	13	0	154
Fiction	8676	3474	1337	1165	128	14780
Magazines	88	8	49	80	0	225
Foreign books	35	0	0	0	0	35
Rental coll.	242	0	0	0	0	242
Total	10585	4388	1628	1476	130	18207

Finance

<u>Receipts</u>		<u>Expenditures:</u>	
New appropriation -----	\$36,000.00	Salaries -----	\$1935.70
Fees for non-residents -	10.00	Janitor service -----	257.00
Fines, damages, lost bks.	192.45	Books -----	766.31
Rental coll. -----	12.65	Periodicals -----	11.50
Reserve postals -----	2.90	Binding -----	91.76
		Supplies -----	152.77
		Repairs -----	16.25
		Light -----	55.37
		Furniture & fixtures -----	7.05
		Rent -----	35.00
		Telephone -----	13.45
		Postage, freight, etc -----	17.23
		Miscellaneous -----	91.07
		Overdraft for June expend. --	2828.67
Total receipts -----	\$36,218.00	Total expenditure -----	\$6279.13
		Balance due from appropri-	
		ation 31 July 1927 -----	\$29,938.87

Respectfully submitted,

Minnie A. Dill

Librarian.