

Called Meeting of the Library Board

May 15, 1925.

Present: Messrs. Hardy, Shade, Swisher, McGaughey,
Scott and Mrs. Gastman.

The meeting being called for the purpose of hearing the Librarian's fiftieth annual report for the year ending April 30, 1925, this report was read by Mr. Hardy. On motion it was approved, and, together with the President's report, was to be sent to the Mayor and Commissioners.

The budget for 1925-1926 was presented and adopted as presented.

The fiftieth anniversary celebration, August 10, was discussed, it being the plan to have a lawn fete. An attempt was to be made to secure Mr. Bostwick, librarian of the St. Louis Public Library, as the speaker of the evening, and there would be music by the band. A booklet giving a short history of the library would be printed.

The building and grounds were to be put in the best of condition before the celebration. New steps would be completed at the front of the building, and other improvements added.

Miss Love's resignation was presented by the President and accepted with regret by the Board.

It was decided to have no other meeting for May, but merely to have the checks signed by the President and the bills approved by the Finance Committee at the end of the month.

On motion adjourned.

Alice G. Evans.
Secretary.

Librarian's Report for April 1925

	<u>Book Account</u>				
	Adult.	Child.	Branch.	Schools.	Total.
Total vols. 31 Mr.1925	39,636	6,860	3,223	2,344	52,063
New books added by purchase	111	21	42		174
New books added by gift	2	1			3
Books replaced		2	7		9
Books found (previously missing)	57	2	8	4	71
Total additions	170	26	57	4	257
Books missing in inventory	196	21	15	13	245
Total withdrawals	196	21	15	13	245
Total vols. 30 Apr.1925	39,610	6,865	3,265	2,335	52,075

	<u>Registration</u>				
	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Branch</u>		Total.
	Adult.	Child.	Adult.	Child.	
Cards in force 31 Mr.1925	8,918	3,793	511	848	14,069
Borrowers registered	150	65	12	22	249
Borrowers' cards cancelled	166	109	2	11	288
Cards in force 30 Apr.1925	8,902	3,748	521	859	14,030

	<u>Circulation</u>						
	<u>Main Lib.</u>		<u>Branch</u>		Schools.	Pines.	Total.
	Adult.	Child.	Adult.	Child.			
Books issued	8,882	3,894	1,084	1,359	3,069	445	18,733
Largest daily circulation at Main library-	1,151.					At Branch-	161
Smallest "	"	"	"	"	196.	" "	47
Average "	"	"	"	"	587.	" "	94
Delinquent postals sent	-----						413
Reserve postals sent	-----						134

	<u>Binding and Repair</u>
Books repaired in library	----- 741

	<u>Sunday Opening</u>			
Visitors: Men -- 92.	Women -- 51.	Children -- 9.	Total ----	152

	<u>Classified Report</u>				
	<u>Book Account</u>				
	Adult.	Child.	Branch.	Schools.	Total.
General works	6	1			7
Philosophy			4		4
Religion	2	1	2		5
Sociology	17	4	3		24
Science	12	1	2		15
Useful arts	8	1	8		17
Fine arts	16		3		19
Literature	48	7	9	1	65
Travel	7	4	2	2	15
Biography	12	1	2		15
History	6	2	2	1	11
Fiction	33	4	20		57
Foreign bks.	3				3
Total	170	26	57	4	257
Rental coll.	27				27

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Circulations

	Adult.	Child.	Branch.	Schools.	Stations.	Total.
General works	11	3	2			16
Philosophy	100	1	2			103
Religion	85	11	6	61	2	165
Sociology	178	427	204	552	41	1402
Philology	7	1				8
Science	140	102	41	277	8	568
Useful arts	241	79	49	67	11	447
Fine arts	261	71	39	32	6	409
Literature	499	175	79	246	23	1022
Travel	176	126	46	289	26	663
Biography	158	70	43	71	2	344
History	229	123	65	204	12	633
Fiction	6486	2694	1772	1270	305	12527
Foreign bks.	14					14
Magazines	91	11	95		9	206
Rental coll.	206					206
Total	8882	3894	2443	3069	445	18733

Finance

Receipts:

Balance due from appropriation 31 Mr. 1925 -----	\$16,749.32
Fees for non-residents ----	11.00
Fines, damages & lost bks.-	259.35
Rental coll. -----	21.65
Interest -----	117.16
Other sources -----	3.82
Total receipts -----	\$17,162.30

Expenditures:

Salaries -----	\$1,512.30
Books -----	503.42
Periodicals -----	6.01
Binding -----	163.20
Supplies -----	26.10
Repairs & improvements -	11.35
Light & heat -----	143.47
Furniture & fixtures ---	36.00
Postage, freight & exp.-	13.83
Telephone -----	26.95
Miscellaneous -----	12.69
Total expenditures ---	\$3,455.32
Balance due from appropriation 30 Apr. 1925 --	\$14,706.98

Respectfully submitted,

Alice G. Evans

Librarian.