

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS LIBRARY SCHOOL

ASSOCIATION NEWS LETTER

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To the Association

DEAR FELLOW MEMBERS:

Two years ago the Association set out to secure 200 life members; we now have 136; a very good record, but we need the other 64 to complete our original plan for an endowed scholarship. Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could complete this endowment fund before the next annual meeting of the A.L.A.? There are 104 of you who have annual memberships. Doesn't that notification slip worry you with the regularity of its coming? Why not get it off your mind once and for all? Life membership payments can be made all at once or over a period of five years, as you like. And note, the latter method is without interest charges such as most alumni associations add when the life membership is paid for in portions.

In assuming the life membership you not only achieve the selfish aim of relieving yourself of the annoyance of annual payments, but you show your appreciation of your school and your profession in helping to complete a fund, the purpose of which is to bring to your profession members with better preparation. It is a great personal gratification to be able to do something which shows one's loyalty to an abstract ideal and which also contributes toward the happiness of a fellow being. Here is a way to attain that gratification. Besides, it is without extra cost to yourself. You are not being asked to *contribute* to this endowment fund. You are merely being asked to pay at the present time the amount you can expect to pay as membership fees during the period of your library career.

However, if you do not feel that you can become a life member immediately, do keep up your annual membership. The support of each member is needed if the aims of the Association are to be realized.

Cannot each one of you, life members or annual members, constitute yourself a committee of one to bring in one new life member and one new annual member?

Have you ever tried to interest outsiders in making a contribution to this fund? Mr. Ernst Hertzberg of the Hertzberg bindery at Chicago recently donated \$200 toward its completion. There are probably others like him who are interested in the welfare of our school and our alumni, who are willing to do likewise.

If any of you who read this News Letter are not members, why not join now?

Arouse interest at your state meetings—arrange for an Illinois dinner or luncheon. Find out what our school is doing and talk it up!

Remember the old football yell: Let's go, Illinois!

At least 64 new life members and 200 annual members by June. Can we do it?

AMELIA KRIEG, *President*

EXECUTIVE BOARD 1928-29

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TRUSTEES OF ENDOWMENT FUNDS

J. S. Cleavinger, 1927-29; Margaret Hutchins, 1927-30; Anna May Price, 1928-31.

HONOR ROLL OF LIFE MEMBERS—NEW NAMES

FANNY R. JACKSON
MARGARET HERDMAN

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A GENEROUS GIFT

The Association has found a true friend in Mr. Ernst Hertzberg of Hertzberg & Sons, the Monastery Hill Bindery, Chicago. It happened that Mr. Windsor in talking with Mr. Hertzberg mentioned the plans of the Association and how anxious we were to complete the scholarship fund as soon as possible. Mr. Hertzberg was immediately interested, said he knew and had done business with a good many of our alumni and that it would give him pleasure to make a contribution. A short time later he sent down a check for two hundred dollars.

Some of the alumni themselves have evidenced a willingness to make further contributions to the fund if it lacks only a small amount at the end of the year in order that it be made available for use by the fall of 1929. Our President has offered to be personally responsible for \$100 (four memberships) if we can get the necessary subscriptions before the next annual meeting. Others have promised sums up to \$25 apiece. In order to get the benefit of these offers we must have the new members by June, 1929. Will you help?

ASSOCIATION MEETING, 1928

The annual dinner and meeting of the University of Illinois Library School Association was held at the West Baden Springs Hotel, West Baden, Indiana. Ruth E. Hammond, '17, President of the Association, presided over the meeting.

A motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the 1927 meeting met the approval of the assembly since these minutes had been printed in News Letter Number 9. The report of the Secretary-Treasurer was read and accepted.

Mr. Windsor then addressed the Association, stressing the desirability of incorporating the Association under the Illinois State laws and said that the acceptance of certain gifts and endowments by the Association would be dependent upon incorporation. He urged the

members to acquaint their friends and the members of their communities with the projected plans of the Association, and to invite bequests and gifts, saying that one inquiry concerning a proposed bequest to the school had been received within the year. After describing the degrees now offered by the school—the B.S. in Library Science upon the successful completion of the first year's work and the Master's degree upon the completion of the second year's work—he spoke of the fact that the history department of the University will accept our second year of work in Library Science as a minor towards the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in the field of history and believed that similar arrangements could be made with other departments in the University. Since much of the scholarly work in a research library will of necessity be done in some field such as history, literature, etc., the combination of work leading towards a Doctor's degree is a good preparation for librarianship.

The motion was made and passed that the Secretary be instructed to have the Association incorporated under the laws of Illinois.

Lincoln Cha, from Boone University, China, student in the Library School gave an interesting talk on the present day economic and political conditions in China. Representing the second year students, Louise Prichard, '28, described recent changes on the Campus, and gave an amusing account of the invasion of the ancient "Peach" orchard by the new Library and other South Campus buildings.

Rudolph Gjelsness, '20, described student life and opportunity for study in the University of Oslo where he studied during the year 1924-25 on an American-Scandinavian Foundation scholarship. Greetings from Miss Simpson and from George B. Utley, an honorary member of the Association, completed the program.

The report of the nominating committee was read and accepted.

After singing the song written for the occasion by Elaine Boylan, '28, the meeting adjourned.

SCHOOL NEWS

The thirty-second year of the school opened with the largest registration in its history. One hundred and six in the first-year group, and twenty-eight in the graduate group. Twenty-two states are represented and more than sixty-five different colleges and universities.

To meet the increased enrollment two new instructors have been added. Miss Frances I. Ambuhl, Illinois, A.M., 1928, will assist Miss Bond in teaching cataloging. Miss Ambuhl was for one year Revisor in the University of Illinois Library School, and for a year was assistant in the Catalog Department of the University Library. Miss Rose B. Phelps, University of Michigan, A.B., '22, Columbia, B.S., in Library Science, 1928, will teach the three sections of the first-year Reference, relieving Miss Simpson, whose administrative duties have increased so much that it will no longer be possible for her to do any teaching except in the graduate courses. Miss Phelps was for one year Reference Assistant at the University of Texas Library and for three years Reference Librarian at Michigan State Agricultural College Library.

Both classes have organized and elected chairmen and are already planning various entertainments that will make for better acquaintance. The Library Club had a meeting on November the second at which Miss Simpson gave a most interesting talk on her experiences with the Bibliographical Tour in Europe last summer.

The new A.L.A. Handbook reveals the fact that 585 of the former students are members. New Memberships for 81 of the students at present in the school have just been sent in. This would represent seven and one-sixth per cent of the total membership, omitting institutional members.

The graduates who received the degree of A.M. in Library Science in June or August, 1928, were appointed to the following positions:

Frances I. Ambuhl, Instructor, University of Illinois Library School, Urbana.

Dorothy M. Black, Reference Assistant, Reference Department, University of Illinois, Urbana.

Ruth N. Latshaw, Head Cataloger, Shreveport, Louisiana Memorial Library.

Downing P. O'Harra, Librarian, Southwestern College, Winfield, Kansas.

Louise G. Prichard, Assistant, Reference Department, University of Washington, Seattle.

Jerome K. Wilcox, Assistant, Reference Department, John Crerar Library, Chicago, Illinois.

The following 1927-28 advanced students have withdrawn from the school to accept positions:

Lucy A. Babcock, Librarian, Northeastern State Teachers College, Tahlequah, Oklahoma.

Ruth C. Krueger, Librarian, Eastern State Normal School Library, Madison, South Dakota.

Alene Laub, Teacher-Librarian, Junior High School, Louisville, Kentucky.

Lucile E. Wilcox, Head, Circulation Department, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks.

ALUMNI PUBLICATIONS

Margaret T. Olcott, '17-'18, Assistant Librarian of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, has published a bibliography on "Taxation and the Farmer." This has appeared as *Agricultural Economics Bibliography, Number 25*.

Ruth Latshaw, '28, Head Cataloger of the Public Library at Shreveport, Louisiana, has an article on "U. S. Government Publications in the Home" in the *Library Occurrent*, Volume 8, p. 266-70. July-September, 1928.

Anne M. Boyd, '18, Assistant Professor of Library Science at the University of Illinois, has an article "A Self Help Library" in the *Library Journal*, October 15, 1928, p. 848-49.

Jackson E. Towne, '22, Librarian of the George Peabody College for Teachers, has written on "Architecture versus Librarianship" in the September, 1928, number of the *Peabody Journal of Education*.

Sigmund von Frauendorfer, '27, Librarian of the International Institute of Agriculture, Rome, had an article in the *Berichte über Landwirtschaft* last year which was translated for the *Journal of Farm Economics*, v. 10, p. 286-311 under the title "Development of Methods and Results of Agricultural Economic Research in the United States."

Miles O. Price, '22, Librarian of the U. S. Patent Office Library, is the author with Dorsey Hyde, Jr., of "Handbook of Washington's Informational Resources" issued by the District of Columbia Library Association, 1928.

The following Illini participated in the program of the Southeastern Library Association which met at Biloxi in November:

Charles H. Stone, '16, Librarian of the North Carolina College for Women, "High School Standards for the Southern States."

Jackson E. Towne, '22, Librarian of the George Peabody College for Teachers, "Standards for High School Libraries Made by the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools for the Southern States."

Mary E. Baker, '06-'07, Librarian of the University of Tennessee, "Planning the College Library Building."

Ola M. Wyeth, '06, Librarian of the Savannah Public Library "Library Mergers."

Julia C. Pressey, '26, Assistant Professor of Library Science at the Atlanta Library School "Cataloging Problems in Connection with Library School Teaching."

ALUMNI GOSSIP

Mrs. Florence Beck McGlachlin, '00, is librarian of the Rural School Library at Chazy, N. Y.

Clara E. Howard, '01, took her A.M. this year from the Columbia School of Library Service, and has been appointed Director of the Library School at the New Jersey College for Women, New Brunswick, N. J.

Dorothy Hurlburt, '01, librarian of the Hibbing Public Library, has been elected first vice-president of the Minnesota State Library Association.

Adah Patton, '02, head cataloger of the University of Illinois Library returned in August from a six months' motor trip in Europe.

Frances Simpson, '03, spent the summer in Europe as a member of the Bibliographical Tour conducted by Dr. Koch.

Helen Bagley, '04-'05, and Josie B. Houchens, '05, were instructors in the Summer Session of the School of Library Service, Columbia University.

F. K. W. Drury, '05, associate librarian of Brown University has just been appointed executive assistant for adult education with the A.L.A.

Anna Lois Gray, '09-'10, reports her occupation as "farming interests and insurance"; she is living at Gosport, Indiana.

Lucy Wilson Erret (Mrs. A. W.), '10, Kewanee, Illinois, was president of the Illinois Library Association which met in October in Danville.

Grace E. Herrick, '11, has resigned from the Okmulgee Public Library to accept a position as cataloger at the Texas Christian University, Fort Worth, Texas.

M. Winifred Knapp, '13, who has been head of the Catalog Department of Indiana University for a number of years, has resigned to go to the Catalog Department of the Harvard University Graduate School of Business Administration.

Nellie Roberts Kennedy (Mrs. R. E.), '15, has moved to Chicago where her husband's business interests are located. Her new address is 1517 Sherwin Ave., Chicago.

Marian Leatherman, '16, assistant librarian at Pennsylvania State College has a year's leave of absence and is taking her Master's degree at the University of Michigan.

Elsie L. Baechtold, '16, gives her address in the A.L.A. Handbook as 2134 South Logan Street, Denver, Colorado.

Clara L. Abernethy, '16-'17, has accepted the position of assistant librarian at Winthrop College, Rock Hill, South Carolina.

Charlotte Ryan, '16-'17, for several years reference librarian of the State Library at Austin, Texas, has been appointed librarian of the Public Library at Jacksonville, Illinois.

Margaret T. Olcott, '17-'18, assistant librarian of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, Washington, took her A.M. this year at the American University.

Sarita Robinson, '17-'19, head cataloger at the Sioux City Public Library, has resigned her position there to enter the Catalog Department of the University of Iowa.

James R. Gullledge, '19-'20, has been appointed librarian of the Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Anita M. Hostetter, '20, formerly a member of the A.L.A. Curriculum Study Staff, is now at A.L.A. Headquarters as executive assistant to the Board of Education for Librarianship.

Rudolph H. Gjelsness, '20, for several years assistant librarian in charge of classification at the University of Michigan Library has gone to the New York Public Library as executive assistant in the Acquisitions Department.

Avis Pillsbury, '20-'21, has resigned her position as instructor in the McGill University Library School to accept the librarianship of Millicent Library, Fairhaven, Mass.

Mrs. Isabel Downing Douglas, '20-'21, is reference and general assistant at the Walker Branch of the Minneapolis Public Library.

Effie G. Abraham, '21, who has been for several years in charge of classification at Indianapolis Public Library has accepted the headship of the Catalog Department, Toledo, Ohio, Public Library.

James Bennett Childs, '21, and Mrs. Childs, announce the birth of a son, James Bennett, on November 6, 1928. Mr. Childs is head of the Document Division of the Library of Congress.

Ruth Sankee, '21, resigned her position as high school librarian at Decatur, Illinois, and is an instructor in the new Library School at the North Carolina College for Women, Greensboro.

Isaac V. Lucero, '22, is reference librarian of the Philippine Library and Museum, Manilla.

Luella Cory, '23, is living at home; her address is 230 Third Avenue, Leavenworth, Kansas.

Maude A. Enochs, '23-'24, has accepted the position of cataloger in the Grinnell College Library, Grinnell, Iowa.

Grace Andrews, '23-'24, cataloger at the University of Iowa, has gone to Colorado College to become head cataloger. She succeeds Beatrice Sims, who is now librarian of Texarkana, Arkansas, Public Library.

Dorothy Tear, '23-'24, is librarian of the Deerfield Shields, Township High School, Highland Park, Illinois.

Frances E. Church, '23-'24, is librarian of the State Normal School at Peru, Nebraska.

Laura Peck, '24, resigned her position in the Catalog Department of the University of Illinois and has accepted the position of senior cataloger at the University of Michigan.

Gladys V. Baker, '24, resigned her position in the Catalog Department of the University of Minnesota to accept one in the Reference Department, Kansas State Agricultural College, Manhattan.

John A. Dougherty, '24-'25, has resigned from his position in New York University, and is now librarian of Southeastern State Normal School, Durant, Oklahoma.

Vivian Reynolds, '24-'25, librarian of the Fairmont State Normal School has been elected treasurer of the West Virginia State Library Association.

Helen V. Barnes, '24-'25, is cataloger at the National Museum Library, Washington.

Mae C. Hessler, '24-'25, resigned as assistant, Reference Department, Creighton University Library, Omaha, and has been appointed an assistant on the staff of the General Library Division, Illinois State Library, Springfield.

Dorothy K. Cleveland, '25, resigned the librarianship of the Northeastern State Teachers College, Tahlequah, Oklahoma, to spend the summer abroad; since her return she has accepted a position on the staff of the Enoch Pratt Free Public Library, Baltimore, Maryland.

Hortense Eggmann, '25-'26, has recently been made reference librarian at Washington University, St. Louis.

Maurine F. Irwin, '25-'26, is assistant librarian at Knox College, Galesburg, Illinois.

Gayle D. Clark, '25-'26, recently on the staff of the Los Angeles Public Library, has accepted the headship of the Circulation Department, Wichita, Kansas, Public Library.

Charles H. Flack, '26, was married to Zelma L. Oldham, on May 24, 1928. He has resigned from his position at St. Benedict College, Atchison, Kansas, and is registered in the Graduate School of the University of Illinois for a Master's degree in English. Mrs. Flack has registered for undergraduate work.

Jessie Jenks, '26, for two years a member of the Reference Department of the University of Illinois Library is now librarian of the Jacksonville College at Jacksonville, Illinois.

Virginia Carter, '26-'27, has resigned her position at the Kansas State Agricultural College and will spend this year at home; Elm Grove, West Virginia.

Mary S. Buffum, '27, is now librarian of the College of Industrial Arts, Denton, Texas.

Mrs. Elleine H. McLellan, '27, has recently returned from San Salvador where she spent six months. She has accepted a position in the Reference Department of the Detroit Public Library.

Margaret Sherman Latimer, '27-'28, was married to George T. Buckley on August 25, 1928, at Clinton, Mississippi. She is doing library extension and organizing work in her state.

T. Whitman Davis, Summer Session, '27, '28, who was recently appointed librarian of the University of Mississippi, was vice-president of the Southeastern Library Association which met at Biloxi in November and gave the address of welcome to the Association.

Thelma Thornsburch, '27, for several years an assistant in the Loan Department of the University of Illinois Library, was married on August 14, 1928, to Garth O. Greer of Champaign, Illinois, where she will make her home.

Louise Fant, '27-'28, is assistant librarian at Hollins College, Hollins, Va.

Grace F. Crumpacker, '27-'28, is librarian of the High School library, Decatur, Ill.

Arthur G. Renstrom, '27-'28, has been appointed librarian of Battle Creek College, Battle Creek, Mich.

Lelia S. Wilson, '27-'28, is county librarian of Vanderburgh County, Evansville, Ind., Public library.

Elizabeth B. Curry, '27-'28, has a position as reference librarian, Extension division, State library, Springfield, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Windsor are the grandparents of a baby girl born on October 11 to Dr. and Mrs. Gordon Harding (Mary Frances Windsor) at Akron, Ohio.

The Illini present at the Illinois state meeting held a reunion luncheon at which thirty-five were present.

One hundred and two alumni were present at the Association dinner at the A.L.A., with the exception of 1899 and 1907 every class down to 1917 had a representation of from one to three members, from 1918 to 1928 the average was five members. The *honor class* was 1903 and the following members answered the roll: Genevieve Darlington, Fenny R. Jackson, Grace Goodale Keator, Grace Kelley, Alice Matthews, Julia Wright Merrill.