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Reunion at A. L. A.—Will You Be There?

The annual reunion of the Library School Alumni will be held at Saratoga Springs on Thursday, July 3rd. There will be a dinner followed by a business meeting and every Illini at the Conference should make an effort to be present at both. There is no regular Conference program that night, so there should be plenty of time. Please do not make unnecessary engagements for that evening. Since many of the alumni feel that we do not give enough time to these meetings, why not make this an exception and a real reunion? As soon as you reach A. L. A., sign up for the dinner; the management will not assign us a dining room until we know how many we will have at the dinner. Any suggestions for this reunion will be welcomed.

Several important items of business will come up at the Business Meeting; there will be a discussion of the reports of the Committee to investigate the probable establishment of a school of advanced librarianship. There is already much discussion as to the location of this school. Chicago, New York and Washington have their warm supporters, *why not Illinois?*, where the machinery of well established Professional and Graduate Schools is already in operation. The report of the Committee on Life Membership will also be discussed and voted on. This is an important matter, as the need for a scholarship is growing every year.

Library School Song

The last two News letters have held a request for an Illinois Library School song, and the only response was by Arthur R. Curry, '21, whose contribution is here printed. It would be very interesting if everyone would learn this song and be prepared to sing it as well as "Illinois," and "Illinois Loyalty" at the dinner. It is still hoped that others have songs in the course of preparation; if so, bring them along and we will sing them.

"The Time We Spent at Illinois"

(Tune: "There Is A Tavern in Our Town.")

The time we spent at Illinois, Illinois,  
Was *not* a constant round of joy, round of  
joy;  
But as we grow old, the brass will turn to  
gold,  
And we will swear by Illinois.

She was more than we expected  
And we cannot be dejected  
Though the "*more*" was all that we could  
bear, could bear;  
For yet, of all who had the brass, had  
the brass,  
No *one* has ever failed to pass, failed to  
pass;  
So as we grow old and gather in the gold,  
We sing the praise of Illinois. (Ill-i-nois)

The Juniors always on the run, on the run!  
The Seniors have their senior fun, senior  
fun,  
But Commencement Day the joy has just  
begun—  
Oh, let us sing of Illinois!

She was more than we expected, etc.

Those springtime outings on the creek, on  
the creek,  
Would always find us very weak, very weak;

But with food and rest, we rallied to our  
best,  
And went and turned the other cheek.

She was more than we expected, etc.

Our teachers all were very good, very good;  
They wished to work us all they could, all  
they could;  
Had we all been young, this song had not  
been sung.  
They really never understood.

She was more than we expected, etc.

Sometimes we went to see a play, see a play,  
And did not learn until next day, till next  
day,  
With our problems due, and having but a  
few,  
That we had thrown the time away.

She was more than we expected, etc.

We had dealings with the staff, with the  
staff;  
Our blunders made them weep and laugh,  
weep and laugh;  
But with glad eyes wet, and nothing to  
regret,  
We meet to eat the fatted calf.

## Committees Appointed

The president has made the following appointments to committees:  
Committee to investigate the probable establishment of a school of advanced librarianship: J. B. Childs, Chairman, J. S. Cleavenger, F. K. W. Drury, Florence Currie, LeNoir Dimmitt.

Committee on Life Membership in the Association: Marian Leatherman, Chairman, Mary Torrance, Elizabeth Davis, Willia K. Garver.

Nominating Committee: Adah Patton, Chairman, Ola Wyeth, Bertha Schneider.

District Chairmen, whose business it is to keep in touch with the alumni in their region of the country, send news to the Secretary and arrange for local reunions in connection with State Library meetings, were appointed as follows: Alma Penrose, Minneapolis, Minn., *North Central district*, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin; Elizabeth Forrest, Bozeman, Mont., *Northwest district*, Idaho, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Washington, Wyoming; Minnie E. Sears, H. W. Wilson Company, White Plains, N. Y., *Northeast district*, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island; Miles O. Price, Washington, D. C., *Southeast district*, Kentucky, North Carolina, Maryland, Tennessee, Virginia, Washington, D. C., West Virginia; Beatrice Prall, Little Rock, Ark., *South Central district*, Arkansas, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas; Jeannette Drake, Pasadena, California, *Southwest district*, California, Colorado, New Mexico.

## Illinois Library School Association

*Minutes April 26, 1923*

The annual dinner and business meeting of the I. L. S. A. was held at the Great Northern Hotel, Hot Springs, Arkansas, on April 26, 1923, with fifty-seven present. In the absence of the President and Vice-Presidents, Mr. Arthur Curry presided.

During the dinner short talks were given as follows:

A welcome to the South—Miss Beatrice Prall.

The academic status of librarians—Miss LeNoir Dimmitt.

The eight weeks' summer session—Miss Jim P. Matthews.

Life membership from the standpoint of the class of 1922—Miss Alice Coldren.

News and greetings from the Illinois Library School—Miss Ethel Bond. Miss Bond read telegrams of greetings from Mr. Windsor and Miss Simpson, and the Senior and Junior classes. Another telegram from Mr. Windsor announced that the Illinois legislature had passed the University appropriation bill in full, which provides for the first unit of a new library building.

The business meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mr. Curry.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Secretary-Treasurer was read and approved.

A letter of greeting from Miss Grace Derby, President of the Association, was read by the Secretary.

It was moved and seconded that telegrams of congratulation be sent to Mr. Windsor and President Kinley, and one of appreciation to the Governor of Illinois over the passage of the University of Illinois appropriation. Motion carried. Mr. Sohn and Mr. Rader were appointed to send the telegrams.

A plan for the creation of life membership in the Association was presented and discussed. It was moved and seconded that \$25.00 be made dues for life membership. After some discussion and the suggestion that a sustaining membership be substituted, the motion was withdrawn. Motion was carried that increase in funds be referred to a committee and if thought best, an amendment to the Constitution be drawn for presentation at the next meeting.

Mr. George B. Utley, Librarian of the Newberry Library, Chicago, Illinois, was elected to Honorary membership in the Illinois Library School Association.

Miss LeNoir Dimmitt presented the following resolutions:

1. Resolved that the Illinois Library School Association go on record as favoring the classification of librarians in colleges and universities to correspond in salary and rank to that of the teaching staff, and that a copy of this resolution be presented to the National

Association of State Universities in the United States, the Association of American Colleges, and the Association of American Universities.

2. Resolved that the Illinois Library School Association go on record as favoring more nearly uniform requirements for degrees, the establishment of a School of Advanced Librarianship, and especially, provision for advanced courses in library science summer schools, and that a copy of this resolution be presented to the Association of American Library Schools.

Motion was carried that Resolution 1 be adopted.

Motion for the adoption of Resolution 2 was lost.

Motion carried that the incoming president appoint a committee to investigate the advisability of Resolution 2 and report at the next meeting.

The Nominating Committee reported as follows:

For President, Reba Davis.

For First Vice-President, Margaret S. Williams.

For Second Vice-President, Charles H. Stone.

For Secretary-Treasurer, Josie B. Houchens.

Motion was carried that the report be accepted and the Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for their election.

Meeting adjourned.

(Signed) FANNY DUNLAP,

Secretary pro tem.

### Financial Report, 1923-24

5 June, 1924

Balance brought forward.....	\$748.68	Loan renewed to student.....	300.00
1923 memberships collected since		New loan made to student.....	150.00
last report.....	171.10	Total Assets.....	\$1259.80
1 Five-year membership.....	5.00	<i>Expenditures</i>	
1 Life membership.....	25.00	News Letters.....	\$ 44.01
1924 memberships to date.....	123.00	Stamped envelopes.....	2.10
Interest.....	34.02	Printed notices.....	6.00
		Belgian student tuition.....	90.00
Receipts total.....	\$1106.80	Loan to student.....	150.00
Expenditures.....	297.00	A. L. A. dinner.....	4.89
		Total.....	\$297.00
Balance.....	\$809.80		

The expenditures this year have been greater than before, due to the publication of two news letters, and the necessity of providing a scholarship for the student sent over by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace and the sub-committee on Franco Exchange of scholarships. The Foundation expected only to pay the living expenses of the student and expected the tuition to be covered by a scholarship from the institution selected. The University of Illinois Library School has no scholarship at its disposal, so Mr. Windsor suggested that the Alumni Association pay this tuition. The officers were consulted as well as many of the alumnae that could be reached in the short time, and it was decided to make this gift, subject to the approval at the general meeting. In order to safeguard against the refusal of the association to stand back of such an action, the faculty of the school signed an agreement, making themselves personally responsible for this sum if the Association regarded the gift as inexpedient.

A graduate who held a loan of \$300 was unable through severe illness to meet her note and asked to have it extended one year; this was done. A very deserving Junior, who needed money to complete the year, received a hundred and fifty dollars as a loan.

Again the Treasurer urges that a decision be reached in regard to a Life membership in order to increase our funds and hasten the establishment of a Scholarship. Since the School is on a graduate basis, we must compete with other departments which have such funds at their disposal and it is very probable that a promising graduate student considering Library work would finally decide on some other department because of the offer of a scholarship.

JOSIE B. HOUCHEMS,

Secretary-Treasurer.

### Recent Alumni Publications

Louise B. Krause, '98, writes on "The Employer selects a business Librarian" in *Special Libraries* for April, 1924.

Nelle Signor, '17, has an article on "The Municipal Reference Library" in the *Illinois Municipal Review*, March, 1924.

Emma Felsenthal, '12, is the author of "Bernhard Felsenthal, Teacher in Israel," a book of 362 pages published this spring by the Oxford University Press.

The A. L. A. has just published an annotated reading list, "College Life and College Sport," by F. K. W. Drury, '05.

Margaret Hutchins, '08, is the compiler of a "Selected list of references on Thomas Hardy's works." This was published in the *Bulletin of Bibliography*, Jan.-Apr., 1924.

Olive Lathrop, '00, published an article entitled "History of Michigan Libraries, and their relation to general libraries in Michigan" in the *Law Library Journal*, October, 1923.

Charles H. Stone, '16, has an article in the *Peabody Journal of Education* for September, 1923, entitled "The Teacher and Children's Reading."

### Lost!

Any information as to the addresses of the following alumni would be appreciated:

Lillian B. Arnold, '02 (Mrs. H. C. Mears)	Mattie P. Fargo, '06
Jane Blakely, Ex. '07 (Mrs. King Hunter)	Constance Haugen, '08 (Mrs. H. N. Le- greid)
Augusta Bond, Ex. '12 (Mrs. R. G. Smith)	Mrs. Elsie Martin, Ex. '15
Margaret Budington, '01 (Mrs. H. G. Plum)	Ethel Nichol, '09 (Mrs. R. C. Westwick)
Charlotte E. Bussey, Ex. '17	Ella Packard, 1911-12
Jessie Carroll, '01 (Mrs. R. E. Smith)	Lenora Perry, '08
Mrs. Gertrude Jacobs Cotton, '02	Bertha Royce, '04 (Mrs. W. G. Hummel)
Ruth R. Cummings, '03	Marietta Street, '03 (Mrs. H. M. Price)
Maud Davis, '02 (Mrs. J. A. Sprague)	Mabel C. Shrum, '00 (Mrs. G. S. Tilley)
Olive E. Davis, '06	Elizabeth Smith, '09
Virginia Dodge (Mrs. Clarence A. Hough)	
Alice Ensign, '02 (Mrs. Joseph Cook)	

*Have you paid your dues for 1923-24?* Every dollar is a boost for the scholarship fund. Every new member adds strength to the Association. A well organized alumni is a tribute of loyalty to the School.

### Reunion at A. L. A.

*United States Hotel, Thursday evening, July 3rd.*

Elizabeth B. McKnight, '07, Librarian of the Bay Ridge High School Library, Brooklyn, N. Y., will be Chairman of the Dinner Committee; if possible send her a card saying that you will be present. A list will be posted on the bulletin board at Headquarters Hotel; be sure and sign it as soon as you register and then get your dinner ticket from the Committee.

### School Notes

The following appointments have been made from the Senior Class: Phyllis Crawford will be an assistant on the New Standard Catalog being issued by H. W. Wilson Co.

Louise DeKraker will go to the Catalog department of the University of Michigan.

Octavia Rogan returns to her position as Assistant Librarian at the State Library, Austin, Texas.

Sister Mary Reparata returns to Rosary College, River Forest, Ill., as Librarian.

Laura Peck will assist in the teaching of cataloging in the summer session at the University of Illinois.

The lectures in Children's literature this year were given by Miss Jessie Gay Van Cleve, Editorial assistant, in the A. L. A. Publications Department.

The Library Club held its last social meeting in May; Miss Ruth Kelso of the English department spoke interestingly of her studies in the British Museum. Afterwards two short plays were presented: Stephen Leacock's "Caroline's Christmas," given by the Seniors, and "The Librarian in Literature," adapted by Helen Dawley, Elaine Boylan of the Junior Class and Miss Anne Boyd, of the faculty, from Edith Wharton's "Summer" and Sinclair Lewis' "Main Street." This was acted by the Junior Class. After refreshments, Miss Van Cleve entertained the group with delightfully told children's stories.

Because of rain the annual picnic of the Club was held in the Woman's Building, where a compromise on the usual picnic supper was served. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Margaret Hutchins, President; Ada M. Nelson, Secretary; Anne McNeil, Treasurer.

Saturday afternoon, June 7th, the corner stones of the new Library building, the new Commerce building, and the Men's Gymnasium were laid. President Kinley gave the address, Prof. J. M. White described the architectural development of the campus, and Mr. Windsor handed the trowel over to the master mason for the actual placing of the Library corner stone. A box containing University publications, among which were the Alumni News Letters, was placed in the stone.

Summer session for the Library School will be a time of great activity. The quota of thirty for the six weeks' course was filled so rapidly it was impossible to admit any out of state people. The limit for the eight weeks' course is fifty and that is also filled. The faculty for the Summer session will be: Miss Ethel Bond, '08, Miss Anne M. Boyd, '18, Miss Margaret A. Gramesly, '04, of the Library School faculty; Miss Ruth Sankee, '21, Librarian of the University High School, Miss Mary A. Goff, of the University of Texas Library; Miss Laura Peck, '24, will assist with cataloging; Miss Edith F. Hart and Miss Jean M. Murphy, of the Junior Class, will be assistants.

### Alumni Gossip

European travel is heavy this year—Grace Kelley, '03, Chief Classifier of the John Crerar Library, has been granted a year's leave of absence for travel and study in Europe. Six weeks will be spent in a study of the system of classification in the Science Museum Library, South Kensington. Further plans include attendance at the International Conference of University Women, in Christiana in July. Mable Hayward, '03, Senior Assistant in John Crerar Library, and Ruth Abbott, '03, Librarian, School of Education, Chicago University, have also been granted six months' leave of absence and sailed with Miss Kelley April 9th.

Fanny Dunlap, '15, and Marcia Dunlap, '25, of the University of Illinois Library, will spend the entire summer abroad; they will have in their party, Fennimore Schwartz, '14, New York Public Library, and Florence Currie, '06, University of Missouri Library.

Emma Felsenthal, '12, has just resigned as Instructor in the University of Illinois Library School, and will spend the summer and fall abroad, as will Helen Dawley, a member of the Library School Junior Class.

Bess Bryan, '10, has just returned from a four months' trip in Europe.

Mrs. Nickoley, '19, will return to her home in Beirut, Syria.

Thomas P. Ayer, Ex. '15, has resigned his position with the Federal Trade Commission in Washington and accepted the Librarianship of the Public Library in Richmond, Va.

Fanny Coldren, '22, has been appointed Reference Librarian of the University of Southern California.

Alma Felter, '24 has accepted the position of Assistant librarian at Drake University, Des Moines, Ia.

Anita Hostetter, '19 is to be in the Omaha Technical High School Library next year.

Elizabeth Porter Clarke, '10, is now Librarian of the Public Library in Kingston, N. Y.

A letter from Irvine G. Mooney, who attended the Library School the first semester, 1922-23, tells how, after nearly a year of travel through Europe, he has bought a poultry farm in Cornwall; this departure from Library work is due to the condition of his health, which requires an outdoor occupation.

Isabel G. Horne, Ex. '23, has recently resigned her position in the South Dakota Library Commission and accepted one in the Minneapolis Public Library.

Marie Hedrick Stigers, '19, is organizing the Library of the Thompson Institute for Plant Research, Yonkers, N. Y., Stella Galpin Trowbridge, '14, is assisting her.

The Chicago Regional Group of Catalogers had a meeting and dinner on April 21; J. B. Childs, '21, is Secretary; Adaline M. Baker, '02, is Chairman of the membership committee, and Rose Sears, '14, is Chairman of the program committee.

Clara A. Ricketts, '11, is now assistant in the Library of the Commonwealth Edison Company, Chicago.

Nelle V. Archer, Ex. '21, was married to Mr. Harry Morris in June, 1923. They have made their home in Akron, Ohio.

The marriage has been announced of Mary E. Smith, Ex. '10, formerly of the Washington State College Library, to Mr. A. P. Graham; their address is 7016 16th Ave., N. W., Seattle, Wash.

Fanny A. Noyes, Ex. '12, has announced her marriage to Mr. Warren E. Knapp, on the tenth of May, 1924; they will be at home in Pulaski, Va.

Jackson E. Towne, '22, has resigned from his position in Yale University Library and will be Supervisor of Departmental Libraries at the University of Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Reece (Sabra Stevens, '14) announced the birth of a son, Allen, at White Plains, N. Y., February 1st, 1924.

Margaret Mann, '96, has accepted the position of Chief Instructor in the Paris Library School next year.

Harriet E. Howe, '02, is acting as Executive assistant, Temporary Library Training Board, until fall, when her leave from Simmons College Library School will expire.

Everett O. Fontaine, Ex. '18, is assistant to the Secretary of A. L. A. and is in charge of sales and subscriptions.

Howard B. Sohn, '20, has been appointed librarian of the Public Library at Alliance, Ohio.

Esther L. Bergen, '21, has resigned from the Decatur Public Library to become Head Cataloger in the University of Tennessee Library.

Leila Wilcox, Ex. '15, has just been appointed Librarian of the Public Library, Port Huron, Mich.

At a meeting of the California Library Association, the following alumni held a reunion and dinner: Grace Lefler, '03, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Waters, '09, Grace Switzer, '05, Norah McNeill, '09, Mabel V. Miller, Ex. '22, Fannie A. Coldren, '22, Helen T. Kennedy, '03, and Jeanette M. Drake, '03.

Lyda Broomhall, '08, is now one of the librarians with the Irving Bank-Columbia Trust co., New York city. She returned in March from four years in Peking, China, where she was the librarian for the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research.

Caroline Orvis, Ex. '18, has been appointed librarian of the Public Library at Huron, S. D.

Grace D. Phillips, '05, recently visited the School and reported that she had just finished a theological school and been appointed Minister of the Church of Christ at Batavia, Ill.

Bertha Bond Putney, '05, who has been living in Urbana with her little daughter Ellen, has accepted a part time appointment in the Busey Memorial Library.

The news of the death of Mable E. Marshall, Librarian of the State Teachers' College, Peru, Nebraska, January, 1924, has been received. She was a graduate of the University of Michigan and attended the Library School in 1902-03; for some years she was the Librarian of the Ohio State Normal College, Bowling Green, Ohio.