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LIBRARY SCHOOL ASSOCIATION NEWS LETTER

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DEAR FELLOW ALUMNI:

When Eleanor Robertson wrote to me and sent a copy of the minutes of the New York meeting, I was overwhelmed by the news that I was made President of the Association. I want to thank you for the honor that you have conferred upon me, and only hope that I can measure up to your expression of confidence placed in me.

It is the objective of the Association to secure as many life members as possible from the alumni for scholarships and not less than one dollar for annual membership dues from each for current expenses, publication of the *News Letter*, and student loan funds. It is the least that we can do to show our gratitude for our professional training received at Illinois and the world of opportunity it has afforded us.

May I also urge your cooperation in connection with the Illinois Foundation which is asking for money, not only for a student union building but also for scholarships, fellowships, or any other work at the University which might be designated by the donor. What is your reaction to the suggestion that the Library School Alumni, as an association, contribute to the foundation and have the Library School designate the manner in which the contribution is to be spent?

Let's make a supreme effort to get every possible member to attend the American Library Association Convention in Kansas City, so that our meeting can go down in history as an outstanding meeting of the Illinois Library School Association.

Sincerely yours,

WILMA L. SHELTON, *President*

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KANSAS CITY MEETING

Are you going? If not, you are going to miss a grand party for the committee has secured the ballroom of the Hotel Muehlbach for the meeting and they promise a good dinner, pleasant company and some program. The ballroom is air conditioned so you may dine in comfort.

The committee is Donald Kohlstedt, chairman; Mary Osgood and Rachel Agg.

Date—June 16th. Time—6:30 P.M.

Reservations should be made with the committee as far in advance as possible.

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Graves, Christine M., Junior High School Library.
 Kohlstedt, Donald Winston, Librarian, Public Library.
 Parks, Gladys Louise, Circulation Department, Public Library.
 Ridgeway, Edith Mary, Wyandotte High School Library.

Alumni Who Live in Kansas City, Missouri

Adams, Kathryn Sara, Order Department, Public Library.
 Agg, Rachel, East Branch, Public Library.
 Anderson, Elma Peach, University of Kansas City Library.
 Billingsley, Mary Prudence, Federal Reserve Bank Library.
 Bowen, Jean Lois, Circulation Department, Public Library.
 Brasfield, Alice Rosalie, Northeast Branch Library.
 Brooks, Dorothy, 200 West 54th Street.
 Burd, Mrs. Priscilla Pickrell, Lincoln Branch Library, 19th and Tracy Streets.
 Cravens, Virginia Jacqueline, West Branch Library.
 Catell, Mrs. Samuel Spinoza (Edwards, Eliza Russell), 3029 Michigan.
 Johannaber, Edna Mary, Washington Branch, Public Library.
 Leib, Dorothy Elizabeth, Catalog Department, Public Library.
 MacMahon, Alice May, Circulation Department, Public Library.
 Osgood, Mary Anderson, Public Library.
 Peek, Mrs. Hazel Marie, Northeast High School Library.
 Phillips, Grace Darling, 3021 Forest Avenue.
 Pierson, Esther, Reference Department, Public Library.
 Pierson, Stella H., Teachers College Library.
 Smith, Florence Sebring, Reference Department, Public Library.
 Wright, Ethel West, 811 Commerce Building.

ALUMNI REUNIONS

Kentucky—Only a small number of the Illinois alumni were able to have luncheon together during the meeting of the Library Association at Berea, Kentucky, in October. We were delighted that Miss Nofcier was elected president of the association. I am enclosing dues for Mary Elizabeth Hanson, Lena B. Nofcier, Perma A. Rich, Mary Powell (Mrs. J. L. Sublett), Ione Williams.

(Signed) **BLANCHE LANE**

California—Margaret Windsor sent in a note of the reunion at the state meeting at the Yosemite National Park last June. Anne Fraser Leidendeker, Gretchen Knief, Elizabeth Bryan, Margaret Windsor, Julia E. Curry, and Letha McGuire were present.

Texas—The following telegram was received by Mr. Windsor after a breakfast of former Illini, held at the recent meeting of the Texas Library Association: "As agreed at the Illinois-Texas breakfast this morning, Illini Arthur Curry, Lenoir Dimmitt, Eloise Agnew, Lillian Ashenbeck, Lois Holladay, Julia Grothaus, Ardless B. Nixon, Clydene Stickney, Gretchen Howell, Mrs. Norah K. Weems, Mrs. Mary Jeanne Treichler, Fannie M. Wilcox, Mrs. Ruthilia Eubank Branch, Margaret Sims, Helen T. Coffin, Octavia Fry Rogan, Mary Clay, and Texas Exes Winnie Allen, Mrs. Elnora Edgar Buchanan, Edwin Sue Goree, Mary Forrest, Dorothy Lee Hetrick, and Elizabeth Howard West unite in reciprocating your and Mrs. Windsor's greetings. The Texas Library Association Conference at Waco in 1906 was attended by about twenty persons. Today we have registered 175 and more are expected tomorrow."

LIBRARY SCHOOL NOTES

Miss Hostetter will be on leave of absence for the academic year 1938-39 for study at the University of Chicago Graduate Library School. Her substitute has not yet been appointed.

Miss Boyd and Miss Houchens will be teaching at Columbia University

School of Library Service during the Summer Session. Miss Singleton will be studying there during the same term.

During the second semester Dr. McDiarmid has visited several teachers' college libraries for the A.L.A. College Advisory Board.

Those students who were in the Library School from 1912-17 will be interested in the honor which recently has come to Ernest J. Reece, professor at the School of Library Service at Columbia. The Carnegie Corporation recently has presented Columbia with an endowment of \$150,000 to establish a Melville Dewey Professorship of Library Service in memory of the originator of professional education for librarians. The first incumbent of the new chair will be Professor Reece. After leaving Illinois he was Director of the Library School of the New York Public Library until it was absorbed by Columbia in 1926. At that time he joined the Columbia faculty. Mrs. Reece was Sabra E. Stevens who graduated from the University of Illinois Library School in 1914.

The first volume of the definitive edition of Horace Walpole's *Correspondence*, published by the Yale University Press, acknowledges the services of the class in Advanced Reference in the identification of certain obscure eighteenth century persons. The class this year, as two of its predecessors, has worked on literary allusions, on biographical questions, and on the identification of quotations in the Walpole *Correspondence*. In recognition of this work of successive classes, the Library School is receiving the volumes of the *Correspondence* as they appear. A reproduction of a portrait by Sir Joshua Reynolds showing Walpole as a young man, which was sent out to all supporters of this edition, has been framed and hung in Miss Phelps' office.

N.B. It would be ideal if in some way we could convince our alumni that they should tell us of such important events in their lives as raises in salary, changes in responsibility, marriage, etc. It is very disconcerting to make recommendations of past students only to find that their salaries are now considerably higher than the salaries for which they have been recommended, or that for several years they have not lived in the locality indicated, or that their names have been radically changed. Employers feel that placement service is inefficient and undependable if one or more such incorrect items are included. They fail to take into consideration the personal factors involved. Every graduate, who has not definitely indicated that she or he is out of the profession, is potentially on the placement list. Won't you help us keep our information up to date?

Younger graduates, who have sought the aid of other agencies besides the U. of I. Library School in securing positions, might do well to remember that the other agencies also are interested in having correct records.

AMELIA KRIEG

A CORRECTION

DEAR MISS HOUCHENS:

I read the October 19th issue of the Library School Association *News Letter* with a great deal of interest. News of fellow graduates is most interesting. The Library School Faculty *News-Notes* were enlightening, and I was pleased to note that Dr. McDiarmid is the new instructor of administration.

However, when I turned to the list of the junior college librarians, who received grants from the Carnegie Corporation, the method of listing the librarians in charge of these libraries appeared somewhat contradictory to me. In a few cases the librarian who was instrumental in securing the grant was not given full credit, whereas in another case, when there evidently was a change in the librarian since the grant was made, the librarian responsible for the grant was listed. Although Miss Mackey was listed as the librarian of the Tennessee Wesleyan College, Miss Gelinas was the librarian in charge when the grant was awarded. In case of the neighboring Virginia Junior College Library, Mr. Noggle was listed as the librarian and apparently the one who was in charge when the grant was made, but Mr. Lee Zimmerman, an Illinois graduate, the librarian of the Virginia Junior College Library at the time the grant was made, was not mentioned. I am familiar with this case, and I feel that Mr. Zimmerman, who worked hard to secure the grant, should be given the credit as Miss Gelinas was. Miss Rehring is noted as the librarian of the Ironwood Junior College

Library, another library which received a Carnegie grant, but Miss Rehring graduated from the University of Illinois Library School sometime after the Carnegie grants were awarded.

Sincerely yours,

J. C. SETTELMAYER
Librarian Hibbing Junior College Library

ALUMNI PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Grace A. Campbell, 1915-16, document librarian, State Agricultural and Mechanical College, Stillwater, Okla., is secretary-treasurer of the Oklahoma Library Association.

Flora M. Case, B.L.S. '13, is president of the Indiana Library Association and presided over the October, 1937, meeting.

Mary Ellen Biery, S.S. '36 and '37, is chairman of the library section of Northwestern Ohio Teachers Association for 1937-38.

Elizabeth Bryan, B.L.S. '10, head of the loan department, University of California Library, Los Angeles, is chairman of the College and University Section of the California Library Association.

Fannie Alice Coldren, B.L.S. '22, reference librarian of the University of California, Los Angeles, is chairman of the Regional Cooperation Committee of the California Library Association.

Maude Cowan, B.S. '31, librarian of the Southeastern Teachers' College Library, Durant, Okla., was in charge of the very elaborate displays put on by the Training School pupils for Book Week in November. She also had a column of excellent publicity in the Durant newspaper giving important information about the college library.

Mary H. Clay, B.S. '32, librarian of the Mary Hardin-Baylor Library, Belton, Tex., was a member of the publicity committee of the Texas Library Association this year and was very active in the campaign for the State-aid bill, visiting newspapers in the county and securing favorable editorials from them. She was also on the Library committee of the Bell County Council of P.T.A. and led a panel discussion in Temple at the County Council meeting on "Does Bell County Need a County Library?" She was elected president of the Belton Branch of the American Association of University Women for 1937-39. Her name was also included in the Texan Who's Who for 1937.

Genevieve Dixon, B.S. '37, librarian of the New Trier township high school, Winnetka, talked on "Integration in Instruction between the Library and the Other Departments in the School," before the Illinois High School Conference. She is also secretary-treasurer of the High School Librarians' Association.

Esther Eytcheson, B.S. '33, **Emilouise Gerhard**, B.S. '34, and a non-Illinois librarian, have compiled a directory of the personnel of Indiana librarians.

Beryl Galaway, B.S. '37, librarian, township high school, Bridgeport, gave a paper, "Discussion of Findings Relating to Teacher Librarian," before the Illinois High School Conference in November.

Margaret Glenn, B.S. '36, librarian of the senior high school library, Champaign, Ill., is president of the Illinois Association of High School Librarians.

Mae Graham, B.S. '34, instructor in Library Science, College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, Va., is conducting the School Libraries Section of the Wilson Bulletin.

Margaret M. Field, B.S. '29, librarian, Carnegie public library, Lewiston, Ida., was on the Idaho State Executive Committee for the year 1936-37.

Lucy B. Foote, B.S. '30; M.A. '35, head cataloger, Hill Memorial Li-

brary, University of Louisiana, talked on "Library Schools and Fellowships," before the Library Association of Louisiana in April.

Ruth E. Hammond, B.L.S. '17, librarian of the public library at Wichita, Kans., is president of the Kansas Library Association.

Evelyn J. Harrison, B.S. '33, is now head of the catalog department, Woman's College Library, Duke University, Durham, N. C., and assistant librarian. Miss Harrison is also treasurer of the North Carolina Library Association for 1937-38.

Vivian Hedgecock, B.S. '34, librarian of the New Mexico Normal University, Las Vegas, N. Mex., has organized a Play Loan Library Service. With the cooperation of Samuel French Company and the Dramatists Play Service, Inc., a loan library of over 1,000 plays has been assembled. As soon as arrangements can be completed, plays published by other companies will be added. Plays for reading only will be supplied on a rental basis for one week.

Helen Hefling, 1st sem. 1936-37, technical adviser, National Library Bindery Co., Cleveland, O., assisted in the production of the film, "Steps in Bookbinding," which was made under the auspices of the Bookbinding Institute and the School of Library Science Western Reserve University for the use of library schools or other groups interested in the processes of bookbinding.

Margaret Herdman, B.L.S. '15, director of the Library School of the Louisiana State University, was chairman of the professional exhibit committee of the Louisiana State Library Association.

James J. Hill, B.S. '29, assistant librarian, University of Oklahoma Library, Normal, Okla., as president of the Oklahoma Library Association, opened the meeting of the Thirtieth Anniversary of the founding of the association at the ballroom of the Aldridge Hotel, Shawnee, October 28.

Sylva Hunt, S.S. '37, librarian of the Champaign Junior High School, gave a paper at the Illinois High School Conference in November on "Interesting Facts About the Position of School Librarians in Illinois as Found in the Library Reports Sent into the High School Visitor's Office."

Icko Iben, B.S. '28, M.A. '29, librarian, Oklahoma A. & M. College Library, Stillwater, spoke on "Library Resources of the State" at the Thirtieth Anniversary of the founding of the Oklahoma Library Association at Shawnee, October 28.

Donald W. Kohlstedt, B.S. '30, M.A. '35, librarian Kansas City, Kans., Public Library. The Wilson Bulletin for March, 1938, carried a picture of Donald W. Kohlstedt, librarian, seated at the microphone during a broadcast of his "Questionnaire of the Air" over WLBF.

Clarice E. Krieg, B.S. '33, M.A. '35, is chairman of the Junior Members, State Library Association of Iowa, 1937-38.

Anne Fraser Leidendeker, B.L.S. '08, department librarian, science and industry department, Los Angeles Public Library. Her name appears as library consultant on the page "Editors and Contributors" of the new Britannica yearbook. She is president this year of the California Library Association.

Olive Lewis, B.S. '29, classifier at the Newberry Library, Chicago, broadcast a piano recital from WBAA, Purdue, on February 12th.

Florence Beck McGlachlin, B.L.S. '00, librarian of the State Teachers' College Library at Conway, Ark., is secretary of the Arkansas Library Association.

Mary Alice Matthews, B.L.S. '03, librarian of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace in Washington, D. C., spent three months last summer reorganizing the European Center Library of the Carnegie Endowment at Paris. This important collection of books is installed in a beautiful old palace where she lived on the same floor as the library. She also made a special study of the Biblioteca Apostolica Vaticana in Rome.

Miss Elsie M. Lundborg, B.S. '30, librarian, Helena High School Library, Helena, Mont., was on the Montana state executive committee for the year 1936-37.

Ralph W. McComb, B.S. '32, M.A. '36, acting librarian of Tulane University, was chairman of the program committee at the meeting of the Louisiana Library Association in Alexandria in April. He also gave a talk on professional publications and was a member of the registration and publicity committee and federal relations committee for the association.

Helen More, B.L.S. '25, head catalog department, Washington State College Library, Pullman, Wash., was appointed chairman of the nominating committee of the Washington State Library Association for next year.

Lena B. Nofcier, B.S. '28, secretary of the Kentucky Library commission, was elected president of the Kentucky Library Association for 1937-39 at the meeting in October.

Della Frances Northey, B.L.S. '11, Frigate Bookshop, Waterloo, Ia., gave an address on the organization of county libraries before the Florida Library Association in April.

Lois B. Payson, B.S. '28, librarian, Montana State College Library, Bozeman, Mont., was chairman of the Montana state executive committee for the year 1936-37. She is also on the personnel standing committee of the Pacific Northwest Library Association.

Warren L. Perry, 1925-26, librarian of the College of the Puget Sound, Tacoma, Wash., writes, "Last spring Dr. Bishop asked me to aid in the visits to junior college libraries in connection with the survey conducted by the Carnegie corporation which has resulted in grants to various junior college libraries all over the country. I visited the junior college libraries in Washington and Montana. I was pleased to find that the best junior college library I visited was in the capable hands of an Illinois graduate, Miss Evelyn Starkey of Northern Montana College, Havre, Mont."

Lois F. Shortess, 1922-23, state supervisor, school libraries, state department of education, was chairman of the resolutions committee and the policy committee on bulletin for the Louisiana Library Association.

Sister Mary Mark Orr, B.S. '33, assistant, The Saint Mary College Library, Leavenworth, Kans., spoke on "Pupil Assistants in the Library," at the school libraries round table at the Kansas State Teachers Association meeting last November. She was chairman of the college round table discussion at the second annual regional meeting of the Catholic Library Association at Lawrence. Saint Mary College organized this unit of the association in January, 1937. Representatives were present from five states.

Sister Mary Reparata, B.L.S. '24, director of the library school of Rosary College, River Forest, Ill., has been appointed editor of the official organ of the Catholic Library Association. She is the first woman to hold this position.

Vera J. Snook, 1912-13, librarian, Public Library, Little Rock, Ark., as president of the Arkansas Library Commission, gave a brief description of the present library program in that state and discussed the provisions of the "State-aid" bill at the thirtieth anniversary of the founding of the Oklahoma Library Association at Shawnee, Okla., in October.

H. D. Stallings, B.S. '35, librarian, South Dakota College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, Brookings, S. Dak., has been elected president of the State Library Association for the coming year.

Charles H. Stone, B.L.S. '16, director of the department of library science, College of William and Mary, is president of the Southeastern Library Association and gave an address on "Library Objectives for the Southeast," before the Florida Library Association in April.

M. Belle Sweet, B.L.S. '04, librarian, University of Idaho Library, Moscow, is on the standing committee for necrology of the Pacific Northwest Library Association.

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Ellen A. Torgrimson, S.S. '28, librarian, Chouteau County Free Library, Fort Benton, Montana, is a member of the standing committee for membership of the Pacific Northwest Library Association.

Jackson B. Towne, B.L.S. '22, Michigan State College Library, East Lansing, was elected second vice-president of Michigan Library Association.

Arnold H. Trotier, M.A. '32, head cataloger of the University of Illinois Library, and Director Windsor, assisted in a survey and gave advice on the plans for the formation of a new catalog for Knox College Library.

Eleanor Frances Warner, B.L.S. '19, is chairman of the library extension committee, Iowa Library Association, 1937-38.

Claire L. Wurdell, B.S. '30, librarian of the Douglas Township Library, Gilman, Illinois, is secretary of the Illinois Library Association.

MEDICAL LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

It will be of interest to note the number of Illinois alumni in the Medical Library Association.

Isabelle T. Anderson, Ramsey County Medical Society Library, St. Paul, Minn.

Nina Frohwein, Iowa University Medical Library, Iowa City, Ia.

Annabelle Furman, Medical College of the State of South Carolina, Charleston, S. C.

Frida Pliefke, Mayo Clinic Library, Rochester, Minn.

Wilma Troxel, Medical and Dental Library, University of Illinois, Chicago.

The following named were on Medical Library Association Committees for 1936-37: Isabelle Anderson, nominating committee; Nina Frohwein, membership committee; Wilma Troxel, committee on standardization of library statistics.

On the program committee of the Association at its annual meeting in Richmond, Va., May, 1937, were round table discussion leaders: Isabelle Anderson, society and hospital libraries section; and Wilma Troxel, college library section.

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Ellen Garfield Smith, B.L.S. '02, for 25 years librarian of the Walla Walla Public Library, announced her resignation to her board of trustees February 25. Although Miss Smith has contemplated retirement for two or

three years, her final decision was received regretfully by all those who know her. She plans to travel, study, and enjoy her freedom from active duties.

Margaret Norton, '06-'07, for many years reference librarian of Smith College Library, died on April 7, 1938, after a short illness. She graduated from Smith College in 1906 and then attended the Library School from 1906-07. The following year she had a position in the University of Chicago Press. She then went to the Louisville, Ky., Public Library for two years, then after two years of cataloging at the University of Chicago Library she returned to her beloved Smith College in 1912 to remain there, with the exception of 1921-23, which she spent in the library of Constantinople College where her mother was also located. There during vacations, she had trips to Egypt, Palestine, and neighboring countries.

Indeed her favorite recreation was travel, and last summer she had a long trip to the Scandinavian countries and Russia. She had many friends who loved her for her vivacity, her unfailing optimism, her humor, and her absolute unselfishness.

Bessie Esther Stover, 1906-07, formerly an assistant in the catalog department of the State University of Iowa Library, Iowa City, has retired from active service.

Anne Fraser Leidendeker, B.L.S. '08. Some friend sent us the following clipping from a Los Angeles magazine:

"We've made a pathetic discovery. Librarians, whose whole lives are involved with authors, almost never meet any.

"This revelation came when Anne Leidendeker, president of the California Library Association, in charge of the science department at the Los Angeles Public Library, asked for our aid in plans for the big convention to take place at the Ambassador in May. There's to be a banquet on May 20.

"And oh, we do want some famous guests of honor,' pleaded Anne.

"Movie stars'? we snipped.

"Good gracious, no. We want some really popular authors, just to look at them, you know. You'd be surprised how rarely a librarian sees an author. Most of us have never even seen a minor one, much less a celebrity,' she said with wistful yearning."

Bertha L. Sharp Schroepel, '10-'11, '34-'35, is now an assistant in the catalog department of the University of Illinois Library, Urbana.

Clara Brooks Bennett, B.L.S. '12, writes most interestingly of her trip to South America, where her husband has a position. They will be located at Valparaiso, Chile, Cia, Constructora del Pacifico, Casilla 66, V. They were eighteen days on the trip with the ship rolling and tossing most of the way. They stopped at many ports where the tourists had a chance to roam around the towns. She writes: "Christobel was the first stop at the beginning of the Canal. It is on a narrow strip of land governed by the U. S. A. On the other side of Main street is Colon, governed by Panama. Such thousands of West Indian negroes everywhere, shops filled with silks from China, and needlework from the Philippines, primitive objects made by the Indians of the interior, millions of things you have always wanted and could not buy. Lima was full of interest. The cathedral built by Pizarro in 1500 is too impressive to grasp with one visit. We viewed Pizarro's bones as he lay in his casket, with his heart and birth certificate in a bottle beside him. The museum of Inca art was deeply interesting to me, of course, and the boys too enjoyed it."

Edith H. Ford, B.L.S. '13, has resigned her position as record librarian of the Margaret Hague Maternity Hospital Library at Jersey City, N. J., to become record librarian of the Decatur Macon County Hospital Library, Decatur, Ill.

Charlotte Ryan, '16-'17, resigned as librarian of Jacksonville, Ill., Public Library, to become chief of the extension division, Illinois State Library,

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Springfield, January 17, 1938. She was chairman of the loan and reference section of the Illinois Library Association and presided at the meeting in Chicago.

Grace M. Murray, B.L.S. '20, resigned as librarian at the Elmhurst, Ill., Public Library to become Librarian of the Jacksonville, Ill., Public Library, March 15, 1938.

Janet May Arie (Mrs. George J. Roe), 1920-21, gave her address as 405 8th St. S. E. Cedar Rapids, Ia., on a card received in December. The sympathy of her many friends is extended to her on the news of the death of Mr. Roe from apoplexy in August, 1937. She plans to teach this summer at the State University of Iowa Library School at Iowa City.

Arthur R. Curry, B.L.S. '21, is now state library supervisor of the State-wide Library W.P.A. Project, Smith-Young Tower, San Antonio, Tex.

Lenore Schuffert (Mrs. William Russell) sent as a Christmas card a snapshot of her young son aged six months. Young William looked as if he were enjoying life. She was spending Christmas with her father, Prof. W. L. Shuffert of the Western Illinois Teachers College.

Warren L. Perry, '25-'26, librarian of the College of the Puget Sound, Tacoma, Wash., has a son, John Francis, born October 22, 1937.

Octavia F. Rogan, B.L.S. '24, has resigned from the librarianship of the Texas Masonic library and is now W.P.A. Library supervisor for district nine, comprising sixteen Texas counties.

Hortense F. Eggman, '25-'26, assistant librarian of Lindenwood College, St. Charles, Mo., was granted a fellowship by the college for graduate work at Columbia University School of Library Service last summer.

Charles R. Flack, B.L.S. '26, librarian of the Southwestern College for Teachers in Louisiana, resigned April 1 to accept the librarianship of Hampton Institute.

Ruth C. Krueger, B.S. '27, M.A. '36, resigned her position as librarian of the Teachers' College library at Gunnison, Colo., to become head of the circulation department at the Oregon State Agricultural College Library at Corvallis, Ore.

Mary LaRue, S.S. '27, 1926-27, resigned her position in the catalog department of the General Library Division of the Illinois State Library at Springfield, and returned to the University of Illinois to finish her work for the degree of B.S. in Library Science in June.

Helen Marie Phillips, B.S. '27, died August 8, 1937, from heart trouble. Her home was at Maroa, Ill. She had held positions in the Lincoln Library at Springfield, the Public library at Clinton, Ill., the Township High School Library at Belleville, Ill., and the Extension Division of the State Library at Springfield, Ill.

Ruth C. Ringo, B.S. '27, assistant in the catalog department of the University of Tennessee Library, Knoxville, Tenn., is now assistant in the Department of Justice Library, Washington, D. C.

Mary Barrett, B.S. '28, resigned her position at the Forsyth Library, State Teachers' College, Hays, Kans., to be married to Clarence C. Keyser September 23, 1937. Mr. and Mrs. Keyser are living on a ranch about eight miles from Polson, Mont. She writes: "Polson is located on Flathead Lake, a very beautiful lake which is, I am told, the largest body of fresh water, except the Great Lakes, in the United States. Mountains are everywhere, and Glacier Park is less than one hundred miles away."

Cleona L. Case, B.S. '28, has recently been made acting librarian of the Caney Junior College Library, Caney Creek Community Center, Pippapass, Knott County, Ky.

Lily S. Koivisto, B.S. '28, is children's librarian of the Henry Adams Branch of the Los Angeles Public Library.

Estella Roy Crane, B.S. '29, has resigned her position at the Wheeler

Library of Southern Illinois State Normal University at Carbondale, to accept a position in the circulation department of Northwestern University Library at Evanston, Ill.

Evelyn M. Kayser Jackson, B.S. '29, writes they are the parents of a daughter, Lauren Wells, born January 18, 1938. Dr. and Mrs. Jackson are living at 185 Highfield Lane, Nutley, N. J.

H. Katherine Kirtley Weed, B.S. '29, has resigned her position as librarian of the Daytona Beach, Fla., high school, to teach Library Science at the Florida State College for Women, Tallahassee, starting this summer.

Mary Ellen Moyer, B.S. '29, resigned her position at the Academy, Hazel Green, Ky., to accept a position in the catalog department of the Illinois State Library, Springfield, January 17, 1938.

Arnold W. Rosaaen, B.S. '29, M.A. '35, resigned as librarian of Adelbert College Library, Western Reserve University, Cleveland, O., to be assistant to the chief librarian of Brooklyn, N. Y., Public Library, November 15, 1937.

Alleyne Baumgartner, B.S. '30, M.A. '37, writes of her new work in Pittsburgh: "Did I tell you that my location is Westinghouse high school? We have an enrollment of about 3000 and a faculty of 100. Those numbers alone show that two librarians manage to keep out of mischief all of the time. Our pupils consist of about one-third negroes, one-third Italians, and the others plain Americans. The discipline is not easy at times. The library is a pleasant room on the first floor and seats about 150, is fairly well equipped and has a book collection which compares well with the other city schools. Pittsburgh is proving to be an interesting and friendly place."

Sister Mary Rose Cofey, B.S. '30, is now librarian of the Mercy Hospital of Nursing Library, 2537 Prairie Avenue, Chicago.

Lenna Guthrie, B.S. '30, writes that she was recently married to W. K. Hall and is no longer engaged in library work. Their present address is 1316 Short St., New Orleans, La.

Blanche Hargis (Mrs. Edgar A. Roehm), B.S. '30, writes: "To go back in history a bit, we left Santa Barbara June 1, 1936, and returned to Los Angeles about December 15, 1936, so we have lived here a little over a year. Most of the intervening time we spent in Baltimore while Dr. Roehm worked at Johns Hopkins Hospital. In Baltimore and Washington we met and enjoyed visits with some of the Illini holding positions there. While east we took in some of the south, Washington and New York. New England in the fall was beautiful.

"I have always wanted to do reference work and in August was fortunate in securing a position in that department of the University of California at Los Angeles. It is located in our Westwood Village and so is very convenient for me. Dr. Roehm has his office in the Village; we like it very much and have bought a home. We have met a lot of people whom we like. Celebrities are under foot at every turn, so one never lacks for excitement."

Henrietta Howell, B.S. '30, M.A. October, '37, resigned her position as reviser of the University of Illinois Library School to become cataloger at the Florida State College for Women Library at Tallahassee, starting in September.

Leone I. Ingram, B.S. '30, was married on October 14, 1937, to a Mr. Brower, so we hear. (More definite information would be appreciated.)

Samuel S. Isa, B.S. '30, is librarian of the Albertson Library of Witherpoon College at Buckhorn, Ky.

Donald W. Kohlstedt, B.S. '30, A.M. '35. The following unique announcement was received from Kohlstedt House, Inc.:

"We present a limited edition entitled Roger Winston; date of publication, April 7; shipping weight, 8 lbs., 12 oz.; bound in the finest embossed

art vellum attractively trimmed with brown fringe; autographed by the authors, Ethelyn and Don. You are cordially invited to visit the second floor of Providence Hospital, Kansas City, Kans., where this edition will be on display until April 21. At home after this date at 2527 Nebraska Avenue."

Harriette E. MacFadden, B.S. '30, is librarian of the Stockbridge, Mass., Library Association, starting her new duties October 15.

Nellie Myers McNabb, B.S. '30, called at the Library School office a short time ago to exhibit her daughter and son. Her husband resigned his position with the Farm Security Board on October 16th to accept a position as assistant farm adviser of the Jo Daviess county, October 18. Mr. and Mrs. McNabb will live at Elizabeth, Ill.

Nellie Fern Morris, B.S. '30, resigned her position at the Watseka, Ill., High School, to become Librarian of the Normal, Ill., Community High School, in January, 1938.

Elizabeth Ogan, B.S. '30, is now Librarian of the Oakland City, Indiana, College Library.

Jessie Rigby, S.S. '31 and S.S. '32, head of the reference department of Cornell College Library at Mount Vernon, Ia., died on February 1, 1938. She was graduated from Cornell College in 1900 with highest honors. In 1906 she became a member of the College Library staff where her scholarly aptitudes and her literary tastes made her a valued consultant for the students and faculty. For some years she extended her service to the graduates of the college by reviewing for the Alumni Bulletin the worth-while books of the year. The news of her death will bring sorrow to the many who were her friends.

Ernest J. Scheerer, B.S. '30, M.S. '38, resigned his position in the loan department in October, to be in charge of the Chemistry Library at the University of Illinois.

Olga E. Skartvedt, B.S. '30, resigned her position in the Department of Labor Library at Washington, D. C., to become an assistant in the catalog department of the Oregon State Agricultural College Library at Corvallis.

Vera J. Smith, B.S. '30, resigned her position as librarian of the Lockport, Ill., Township Public Library, and was married to Victor V. Jensen of Chicago on September 4, 1937. Mr. and Mrs. Jensen will live in New York City at 159 West 85th St., Apt. 2C. She continues library work as an assistant in the Saratoga Branch of the Brooklyn Public Library.

Bessie G. Tressler, B.S. '30, recently resigned her position at the Arizona State Teachers' College Library at Tempe, Ariz., to accept the position as serials cataloger at the State University of Iowa at Iowa City.

Manie L. Berry, S.S. '31 and '32, is now librarian of the Tupelo, Miss., Junior High School.

Marguerite E. Bowles, B.S. '31, was married on June 22, 1937, to Howard Mitchell. Mrs. Mitchell is continuing as assistant cataloger in charge of periodicals at the Texas A. & M. College Library at College Station, Tex.

Mrs. Florence O. Garrison Garber, B.S. '31, is working in the catalog department of Manchester College Library, North Manchester, Ind.

Margaret A. Hager, B.S. '31, resigned her position as librarian of the Rushville, Ind., Public Library, to become librarian of the La Porte, Ind., Public Library.

Helen F. Helmick, B.S. '31, resigned her position as N.Y.A. district library supervisor of district No. 4, Decatur-Danville, Ill., to become librarian of the Lockport, Ill., Township Public Library, starting October 11.

Frances E. Wallace, B.S. '31, resigned her position in the Berea College Library, Berea, Ky., to become an assistant in the catalog department of the Southwest Missouri State Teachers' College Library at Springfield, Mo.

Ione Williams, B.S. '31, resigned her position as librarian of the Sue

Bennett Junior College Library at London, Ky., to become librarian of the Faulkner County Library at Conway, Ark., April 1, 1938.

Opal Williams, B.S. '31, librarian of the East Texas State Teachers' College, Commerce, Tex., sent dues for two years and an appreciative note of the *News-Letter*. She attended the A.L.A. last year and went on the post conference trip to Bermuda and had a wonderful time.

Dorothy Benjamin, B.S. '32, resigned as assistant librarian and executive secretary of the Jackson County Medical Society Library, Kansas City, Mo., April 1, 1937, to take a trip around the world. She is at her home at present, 2600 Illinois Avenue, Granite City, Ill.

Mary Elizabeth Hause, B.S. '32, is an assistant cataloger in the University of Florida Library this year. Her address is 1108 West Union Street, Gainesville, Fla.

Grace M. Mostue, S.S. '32, S.S. '33, S.S. '37, resigned as librarian of the Junior and Senior High School Library at Fairmont, Minn., to become librarian of the Senior High School, Albert Lea, Minn.

Margaret Wardell, B.S. '32, M.A. '37, is now assistant librarian of the Western Illinois State Teachers' College Library at Macomb.

S. Ambrose Wetherbee, B.S. '32, resigned his position with the Illinois State Historical Library at Springfield, Ill., to become Document Archivist and Classifier in the Archives Division of the Illinois State Library, also at Springfield.

Eugene Wilson, B.S. '32, M.A. '33, Ph.D., minor in library science, major in education, June, 1937, resigned from Ohio Wesleyan College Library in April to become librarian of Iowa State College at Ames, May 1.

Ruth E. Wood (now Mrs. Alfred Wood Engle), B.S. '32, has a seven months' old son, Fred David Engle. Mr. and Mrs. Engle are residing at 7324 Clarence Street, Chicago.

Sister Mary Micina Arendt, B.S. '33, formerly assistant librarian of the Holy Family Academy Library at Chicago, is now at the Villa Nazareth High School Library at Des Plaines, Ill.

Simone Van Biesbroeck, B.S. '33, has resigned her position as indexer at the American Medical Association, Chicago, in order to study for a few months. Miss Van Biesbroeck will work three evenings a week at the Marquette Institute Library (a small evening high school), Chicago.

Noreen R. Chalice, B.S. '33, resigned her position with the Dickinson Seminary at Williamsport, Penn., to become cataloger and assistant librarian at Bucknell University Library, Lewisburg, Penn.

Dorothy E. Heicke, B.S. '33, resigned her position at the Highland Park, Illinois, Public Library in October to take a position in the catalog department of the University of Illinois Library, Urbana.

Lenora M. Hodges, B.S. '33, resigned her position at the Southwestern Louisiana Institute Library, Lafayette, La., and was married to Mr. Harry K. Hooker of Carthage, Tex., September 4, 1937. Mr. and Mrs. Hooker are living in Carthage.

Mary Hays Marable, B.S. '33, has resigned her position as librarian of the Oklahoma City University Library, Oklahoma City, to become an instructor in the School of Library Science at the University of Oklahoma, Norman.

Britomarte Eastin, B.S. '34, resigned her position in the extension division of the Davenport, Iowa, Public Library, to accept a position in the Department of Work with Children, in the Rochester, N.Y., Public Library.

Mrs. Martha S. Bond Leppla, B.S. '34, formerly an assistant in the University of Illinois Catalog department at Urbana, and later of the University of Illinois Medical and Dental Library catalog department, Chicago; reports the birth of a son, Frank Brent Leppla, on September 30, 1937. Mr. and Mrs. Leppla are living at 405 South Harvey Street, Oak Park, Ill.

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Lucile E. Lucas, B.S. '34, resigned her position as librarian of Rio Grande College Library at Rio Grande, O., to become librarian of the Sue Bennett Junior College Library at London, Ky.

Priscilla K. Morrow, B.S. '34, resigned her position in the Wilmette, Ill., High School Library to be married to Gordon Bina. Mr. and Mrs. Bina are living at 5961 Carmelita Avenue, Apartment C, Huntington Park, Calif.

Sister Mary Gregoriana Truszka, B.S. '34, is now librarian of the Holy Family Academy, 1444 West Division St., Chicago.

Grace M. Arthur, B.S. '35, assistant in the reference department of the Muncie, Ind., Public Library, was married on Sunday, October 17, 1937, to Robert Million Harper, son of Reverend and Mrs. W. Smith Harper of Chicago, at two o'clock at the Grace Episcopal Church in Muncie. Mr. Harper is connected with the Muncie City Ice Co. Mr. and Mrs. Harper will live at 1317 East Main St., Muncie, Ind.

M. Elizabeth Cammack, B.S. '35, resigned her position in the circulation department of the Cossitt Library at Memphis, Tenn., to accept a position in the Colfax Branch of the Tri-Parish Library Demonstration, Colfax, La.

Helen Gray, B.S. '35, resigned her position in the office of Carle Memorial Hospital, Urbana, Ill., to marry Ralph Bevis in Urbana, October 28, 1937. Mr. Bevis has been employed with the research department of the Ferro Enamel Company in Cleveland, O., and recently accepted a position with the South American branch of that company in Buenos Aires. Mr. and Mrs. Bevis sailed from New York, Nov. 13, 1937.

Gilberta M. Heid, B.S. '35, resigned her position at the George Washington High School Library in Indianapolis, Ind., November 1, to accept a position in the Loan Department of the University of Illinois Library, Urbana.

Glenn Maynard, A.M. '35, cataloger, spent May 16-17 photographing first editions of Milton in the Wrenn Collection at the University of Texas for the University of Illinois.

Ruth H. Mueller, B.S. '35, resigned her position at the East Side Branch of the Evansville, Ind., Public Library September 15, 1937, to be married to Clifford A. Kleymeyer October 1, 1937. Mr. and Mrs. Kleymeyer are residing at 503 "B" S. E. Second Street, Evansville, Ind.

Helen M. Murrell, B.S. '35, resigned her position in the reference department of the University of Arkansas Library at Fayetteville and was married on July 3, 1937, to L. M. Weetman. Mr. and Mrs. Weetman are living in Fayetteville.

Vivian R. Boughter, '24-'25, (M.S. '36 Columbia) is teaching in the department of library science at the University of Tennessee.

Lewis M. Bright, B.S. '36, has recently accepted a position in the business and technical division of the Public Library of Ft. Wayne and Allen Counties, at Fort Wayne, Ind.

Ralph T. Esterquest, B.S. '36, resigned his position at Northwestern University Library to become an assistant in the order department of the University of Illinois Library early in December, 1937. He started his work on the Master's degree in Library Science this semester at the University of Illinois.

Ferne M. Garman, B.S. '36, is an assistant in the loan department of the University of Illinois Library, Urbana.

Ruth J. Hamilton, B.S. '36, resigned her position in the Peoria, Ill., Public Library to become an assistant in the catalog department of the Illinois State Library at Springfield.

Dorothea Harlow, B.S. '36, is now Mrs. Joe Ice and librarian of the Taft Junior High School Library, 23rd and May Streets, Oklahoma City, Okla.

Mrs. Ruth E. Johnston, B.S. '36, is working in the Library of Earlham College at Richmond, Ind.

C. Virginia Kennedy, S.S. '36, formerly assistant librarian of Maryville College at Maryville, Tenn., is now assistant librarian at the Alabama College for Women Library, Montevallo, Ala.

Mildred B. Mitchell, B.S. '36, resigned her position at Wheaton College Library, Wheaton, Ill., July 1, 1937. She was married to Lester Malmquist and is now residing at 3906 North Hoover Ave., Los Angeles, Calif.

Elbertine Reeder, S.S. '36 and S.S. '37, is now librarian of the high school library at Drumright, Okla.

Rebecca F. Ruby, B.S. '36, resigned her position at the Elkhart, Ind., Carnegie Public Library, to accept a position in the circulation department of Purdue University Library at Lafayette, Ind.

Margaret E. Sheers, B.S. '36, is now librarian of the Austin High School Library at El Paso, Tex. Miss Sheers gave a talk on "The Public School Administrator and the Library," before the Library Section of the Texas State Teachers' Association in 1937.

Christine B. Taylor, B.S. '36, resigned her position in the circulation department of the Des Moines, Ia., Public Library, to accept a position in the history department of the Enoch Pratt Free Library at Baltimore, Md.

Virginia F. Toles, B.S. '36, has resigned her position in the Talladega, Ala., College Library, to become librarian of the Arkansas Agricultural, Mechanical & Normal College Library at Pine Bluff, Ark.

Paul Jean Burnette, B.S. '37, writes from the Southwest Missouri State Teachers' College, Springfield, Mo.: "Like my job very much. Do all the reference work plus a bit of circulation, both of which are to my liking."

Anne L. Corbitt, B.S. '37, resigned her position as librarian of Shurtleff College, Alton, Ill., and has recently been appointed library consultant, division of unified studies, New York University, Washington Square Library, New York City.

Elma I. Courter, B.S. '30, M.S. '37, resigned her position as reviser of the University of Illinois Library School, to become librarian of the Arizona State Teachers' College Library, Flagstaff, Ariz.

E. Lucile Deaderick, B.S. '37, is now librarian of the Calvin M. McClung Historical Collection, Lawson McGhee Library, Knoxville, Tenn., having been promoted from assistant January 1, 1938.

Louise Duncan, B.S. '37, resigned her position as librarian of the Monmouth, Ill., High School Library, to become librarian of the Streator, Ill., Township High School Library.

Margaret D. Flick, B.S. '37, sent in her dues to the Association with this little note: "I am very happy here in the Newark Public Library. There is only one other Illinois graduate here. A Mrs. Richardson (Dorothy Gray, B.S. '31) but Felicia Sterling of the class of '37 is taking the Museum Apprentice Course and I see her quite often."

Ruth M. Gray, B.S. '37, resigned her position as supervisor of the Polk County W.P.A. Library project of the Iowa State commission at Des Moines, to become cataloger at Drew University Library, Madison, N. J., April 1.

Ernestine Harris, S.S. '37, formerly head of the circulation department at the Muskogee, Okla., Public Library, has become librarian at Bacone College, Muskogee, Okla.

Mildred E. Hoover, S.S. '37, accepted a position as assistant in the Catalog department of the University of Illinois Library at Urbana, and started her new duties November 1.

Mary R. Kinney, B.S. '29, M.S. '37, resigned as reviser in the University of Illinois Library School and is now instructor in the Library School.

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Benthal Maxie McCollum, B.S. '37, was married recently to Herbert J. Kettler. Mr. and Mrs. Kettler are living at 7307 Luella Street, Chicago.

Ena Ruth Moore, B.S. '37, reference librarian at Fort Hays Kansas State College, Hays, Kans., resigned her position and on December 24 was married to Clarence S. Paine, B.S. '37. Mr. and Mrs. Paine are residing at 909 West California Street, Urbana.

Clarence S. Paine, B.S. '37, was married on December 24, 1937, to Ena Ruth Moore, B.S. '37. Mr. Paine has a position in the catalog department of the University of Illinois Library.

Chula M. Remington, B.S. '37, resigned her position as librarian of the School at Edina, Minn., to become librarian of the Bessemer Township Public Library at Ramsay, Mich., starting her new duties this September.

Marjorie Jean Sprake, B.S. '37, reference assistant Adelphic College Library, writes that her personal address is 1341-214 Place, Queens Village, N. Y. In April she attended the regional catalog group meeting held in New York City.

Mary Lea Stewart, B.S. '37, children's librarian at the Muskogee, Okla., Public Library, was married on November 24, 1937, to Crafton Davis James, at her home in Muskogee. Mr. and Mrs. James are living in Muskogee.

M. Lyndal Swofford, B.S. '30, M.S. '37, librarian of the Central State Teachers' College Library, Edmond, Okla., spoke on "The Library in the Elementary School," at the Elementary School Librarians Meeting at Lee School, Oklahoma City, February 11.

Ora Thelen, B.S. '37, writes that she is enjoying her new work as junior librarian in the Oak Park Branch of the Sacramento, Calif., Public Library. Her home address is 136 Alvarado Road, Berkeley.

Donald E. Thompson, B.S. '37, says: "I am first assistant in the Business Library at Temple University, Philadelphia, and enjoy my work. We are in a new building just opened in January, 1936, to the public. Most of the staff are under thirty years of age and are very congenial."

OFF THE MAIN ROAD

Jessie Reid (Mrs. C. F. Spencer) has moved from London to Melbourne, Australia; her present address is 12 Neptune St., St. Kilda, S2, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia. She recently sent her friends a most interesting round robin letter, telling of her 12,000 mile voyage to her new home. The letter follows:

"After living in California we did not like the dull rainy days of London and we do enjoy the warm sunshiny climate here.

"We live in St. Kilda, three miles from Melbourne's main business section and ten minutes by electric train. St. Kilda is Melbourne's most popular beach resort; we live just five minutes walk from the beach with its park of palm trees.

"Melbourne has a fine classic stone library and the reading room under the rotunda reminds one of the Library of Congress. The catalog, however, is terrible. The first library school has just been established in Australia. The University librarians are sent to the U.S.A. to be trained. Free public library service has not been so well developed but Australia is ahead of the U.S. in many economic reforms. The Australians are very sport minded and every sport may be indulged in all year around. The children are perhaps the healthiest in the world as there are playgrounds everywhere. The women are better dressed and more progressive than the English women. American customs are followed rather than English.

"It is the eighth city of the British Empire, and the capital of Victoria, with a population of over a million. It is one of the most progressive cities; the main business streets are more thronged with people in the busy hum of the day than Oxford Street, London, or Broadway, New York. Through its electric railway station with its suburban traffic more people pass in one

day than any other station in the world. Its stores are modern and very American. It has been described by a famous artist as the city with the perfect skyline. Wide clean streets, stately and imposing architecture, spacious parks and gardens, are some of its distinctive features. Its botanic gardens, probably unexcelled anywhere in the world, contain the finest existing collection of Australian flora. Picturesque boulevards, among them the famous St. Kilda Road, shaded by wide spreading trees, lead from the city to delightful mountain and seaside resorts. It is a city of patiently created and zealously cherished loveliness. It has a charm all its own; its inhabitants are well-dressed, kindly, friendly, generous. This is where we are to make our home."

Cleona L. Case writes as follows from Caney Creek Community Center, Pippapass, Knott County, Ky.:

"Lack-a massy me! Can this be I? So said I to myself as I took a brisk walk down the one street of this mountain valley village just before the 5:30 supper tonight. And now I sit here all by myself in MY LIBRARY, preparing to let you all know where I am and why. (This is the one free day of the week, because an earlier librarian was an Adventist and refused to work on that day. So that is the rule now, and I work four hours on Sunday!

"But some of you do not even know how I come to be way down here in the mountains of Southeastern Kentucky! On February 7th, through the recommendation of the American Library Association, I received a letter asking if I would be interested in an immediate position here, and replied that I would. As time went on, ten days passed, so I finally decided that someone else must have had the appointment, when all of a sudden on the 17th I got a telegram, 'Come at once.' The earliest I could leave was on the 21st, so arrived here on the birthday of 'Our Country's Pa.' That *sounds* simple, but it was by no means!

"When the station agent told me that I would have to travel on six different lines to get to Wayland, Ky., (12 miles from here) I thought it was pretty tough, and was sorry for myself. But that was as the dust of the balance, compared to the rest of the ride which I shall remember to the longest day I have to live! So I will go somewhat into details.

"When I got off the train at Wayland, 12 miles away, and went into the boxcar station they told me that the 'mail hack' for 'the Pass' would be around soon, and began to tell of what a terrible ride it was, but I said I was prepared for almost anything! Elmer Stone, the driver, appeared,—nice looking, about 35, overall-clad. I got to know him well on that memorable trip, and like him. The 'hack' (?), a rickety looking affair, resembling a small loosely draped emigrant wagon, drawn by two large (and well they needed to be) mules. Gathering up my skirts for a large step, I was safely 'histed' up to the almost spring-less seat, and off we started. Behind me I saw my trunk and box and suitcase, numerous bags of mail and boxes of freight. We started following Beaver Creek for some distance; then later he told me it was Caney, the music of whose water I have day and night as it runs a stone's throw from my library. I just hate to start to describe that trip! My feeble words can give but little conception of it! Well, anyway,—for six mortal, endless hours I sat on that lurching seat, finally hanging on with both hands for dear life, lest I be dashed against Elmer, or spilled overboard, sometimes being convinced that I should be wrenched limb from limb. He admitted that it was the worst he had ever seen the roads, as it had rained for a week. He drove so near to the edge of cliffs that once I asked him if he was going to spill us over, but he said, 'No.' Not once for all the twelve miles could the mules go faster than a walk, and one hill I thought they would never be able to pull us up, through the mud.

"I wish I had begun to count how many times we forded that creek! Once with the water almost up to the mules' bodies. He said that occasionally it gets so high that they just don't try to go down. Then for about twenty minutes we rode right up the bed of Caney, there being no other road at all! Once or twice the creek-ride gave space for a few relaxed

muscles; then again, when the rocks in the creek bed were large, it seemed almost impossible to endure the racking.

"Finally at 6:30 p.m. Elmer pointed up the Creek and said, 'Well, there is what we have been looking for all these hours!' Through the dusk I could discern a steep mountain side with many buildings at various stages up its base. As we passed one of the first, nearest the road he said, 'That's the library,' and my heart leaped up. It was a fine-looking large one-story stone structure, and I knew that just opposite was little 'Barnswallow,' my own little cottage.

"Caney Junior College has about two hundred, from first grade through two years of college. The central part of the library was formerly the barn! We have twenty-two thousand volumes, and about forty magazines. There are some marvelous sets for reference, though but few late books. Most of the books are gifts! I am under no strain, for girls come daytimes; boys at night! There are no books to buy, no fines to be collected. Mrs. Lloyd, the Director goes after overdue books! BUT, best of all the discipline is nil! Who would believe that 40 boys could gather here nights without one word or thought of anything but studiousness! NOT I! So I love every single one of them to death and will stay.

As space, but by no means material, fails, I shall have to sign off until a later date. Caney and I say, 'Cheerio'."

LATE NEWS

Mary Eileen Ahern, '95-'96, of the Windermere hotel, Chicago, former Indiana State librarian, died Sunday, May 22d, near Atlanta, Ga., while on a train en route to Chicago. Miss Ahern, who was about 75 years old, was editor of the magazine *Libraries* for 36 years prior to her retirement in 1931. She was born on a farm near Indianapolis, Ind., and was a pioneer in the work of the American public library. She organized the Indiana Library Association and served as its secretary for seven years. She also had been in the library department of the National Education Association, and had charge of the distribution of books of the A.E.F. in France during the World War. Miss Ahern was a life member of the American Library Association, one time treasurer of the Chicago Library Club and a former president of the Illinois Library Association. She was one of the best known figures in the library world. Her keen, Irish wit was much enjoyed and she was always the center of an interested group at library meetings. She was also a member of the Chicago Woman's Club and the Woman's Press Association. In the passing of Miss Ahern, Illinois has lost one of its distinguished alumni.

Frank M. Bumstead, '05-'06, formerly head of the Accessions department of the University of California Library at Berkeley, died May 16th at Alum Rock Sanatorium, San Jose, where he had been a patient for some time.

Nelle U. Branch, B.L.S. '16, librarian of the College of Agriculture Branch Library of the University of California at Davis is to be congratulated on the proposed plans for a new library building which is one of a group of new buildings on a new Campus plan approved by the University Board of Regents recently.

Gladys F. Pratt, M.A. '31, librarian of the State Teachers' College Library, Westfield, Mass., writes that she is sailing the last of June to spend two months in the British Isles, France, and Switzerland. She seems to have been pretty busy professionally. Since 1936 she has been secretary of the Massachusetts State Teachers' College Association and was also a member of a committee to make a survey of library facilities of the various state teachers colleges of the state. In the spring she was a panel member of the library section of a Conference of Elementary School Workers which met at Teachers' College, Columbia.

Grace Palmer, B.S. '25, librarian of the Southwest Missouri State

Teachers College Library, Springfield, Mo., has been taking graduate work this semester at the Columbia University School of Library Service.

Grace Fern Latimer, '36, writes that she is going to spend this summer in Europe. She will visit seven or eight countries and attend a three weeks lecture course at Oxford.

Helen Frances Pierce, B.S. '29, is taking graduate work this year at the University of Chicago Graduate Library School. She has been librarian of the Modesto, California, Junior College Library since 1931.

Genevra Parker, B.S. '30, (Mrs. Austin True), writes that her new address is 4008 Chartres St., Houston, Tex.

Catherine Wisck, B.S. '35, has just been appointed reference librarian of the Peoria Public Library. She has been librarian of the Decatur, Ill., High School Library.

Margaret Mann, '95-'96, Associate Professor of Library Science, University of Michigan Library School was the guest at a dinner given in her honor at Ann Arbor on May 21st. She is retiring after twelve years service at the school. Mr. and Mrs. Windsor and Miss Rose Phelps drove to Ann Arbor to attend the dinner. There were over two hundred present including alumni of the School, faculty of the University, Michigan librarians and other friends. The alumni of the School announced that a scholarship would be established by them in her honor. Miss Mann was Assistant Librarian and instructor in the University of Illinois Library School from 1897 to 1902. The important positions held by her and the great contributions which she has made to Library Science especially in the field of cataloging need no retelling.