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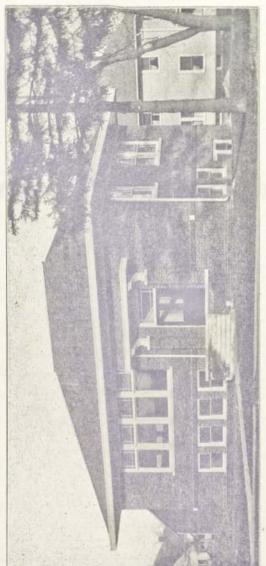
IOWA LIBRARY COMMISSION

FOR THE

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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL.

To Hon. Nathan E. Kendall, Governor of Iowa:

In compliance with Section 2888-f, Chapter 18-A, Supplement to the Code of Iowa, I herewith transmit the eleventh report of the Iowa Library Commission for the biennial period, July 1, 1920, to June 30, 1922.

JULIA A. ROBINSON, Secretary, Iowa Library Commission.

Des Moines, November 1, 1922.

IOWA LIBRARY COMMISSION

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IOWA LIBRARY COMMISSION

The activities of the Iowa Library Commission fall under two heads, that of Extension and Supervision and that of book supply through the Traveling Library.

EXTENSION AND SUPERVISION

The work of Extension and Supervision includes the help given by the Secretary to communities in making library beginnings and to libraries already in existence in increasing their efficiency. This is done through correspondence or visits in the former including conferences with those interested, talks at clubs and public meetings; and in the latter conferences with library boards and inspection of the libraries with suggestions to both boards and librarians.

Lack of help and competent help in the office has kept the Secretary from much of the field work otherwise done, but sixty-five places have been visited by her and th'rty-seven addresses given.

Organizing. In aid to the libraries the Secretary is assisted by two Organizers, whose visits are longer and include organizing, cataloging, and other help in the technical work. Not a small part of this assistance is the instruction which the librarians receive while the work is in progress and this is especially helpful when the librarian has had no library school training of any kind.

As many of the public libraries have had in the past more or less help of this kind from the Library Commission, the number of calls from them is decreasing, but there are now a large number of requests coming from school libraries, high schools, consolidated schools and even smaller schools. To these the commission is reponding as far as possible, but the work of the Traveling Library being beyond the ability of the Traveling Library people to carry, it is often necessary to keep the organizer in the office for work there and this valuable outside work is delayed.

Vacancies in the organizers' positions have also cut down the outside work done, but thirty-five libraries have received help in organizing and cataloging, sixteen of them being public libraries, eleven school and college libraries, eleven association libraries making a beginning and two state institutions. Public Libraries. With the increase in the number of public libraries in the state the point of emphasis and the nature of library extension has necessarily changed.

There are now one hundred thirty-eight libraries supported by city tax and two supported by interest from endowments. In addition two towns which voted for the establishment of a library have failed to carry out the provisions of the law in the levy of a tax and the appointment of a board.

Two towns voted on this question during the two years just past, namely, Coon Rapids and Lake View, but the question was lost in both places.

With the present high cost of maintenance even the maximum tax of five mills does not yield a sufficient income to adequately support a library in a town much less than 2,000 in population, and as there remain but five towns with population over 2,000 without a tax-supported library, we can expect no large increase in the number of public libraries. These towns are Creston, with a population of 8,304; Belle Plaine, 3,887; Valley Junction, 3,631; Mystic, 2,796, and Bettendorf, 2,178.

Bettendorf is supplied with books as a rural extension branch of the Davenport Public Library. Valley Junction will probably become a part of the Des Moines Public Library when that library becomes a county library. Mystic is a mining town and must become a county library branch if it is ever to have library privileges, and the only two of these towns which we can expect to maintain public libraries are Creston and Belle Plaine.

Subscription Libraries. But this does not mean that there is no library interest in the state, for many of the smaller towns are desirous of having a library and are making a beginning through a subscription or association library with the expectation that this will create an interest in books which will make possible a tax vote at a future day.

Such beginnings have been made at Allerton, Buffalo Center, Battle Creek, Farmington, Garnavillo, Lake View, Lorimor, Mc-Gregor, Quimby, Story City, and Winthrop.

In the inauguration of these projects the Secretary gave aid through correspondence, visits, and public talks and the help of the Organizer was given in a number of the libraries.

With those already in existence this addition makes about seventy such libraries in Iowa. Some have been maintained for many years by women's clubs which deserve great credit for their efforts to supply reading for their communities. The future of these libraries, as well as of many other small towns wishing for library service, is in becoming branches of a county library when there is one established.

County Libraries. Iowa has as yet no county library, while the neighboring states all have one or more and Indiana has thirteen. In all parts of the country interest in county libraries is increasing, as it provides the most feasible method of supplying books and reading for the entire state.

The plan includes a main library at the county seat or other accessible place supported by a tax from the entire county and the supply of books to all the people of the county through branches, stations, book wagons and direct loans. The tax is naturally much smaller than that paid by town residents.

In case of two or more libraries the work and support may be divided between them or one may become the central library and the others branches, or those not wishing to come into the county system may be maintained independently by their own communities.

Iowa has a workable law, though not as good a one as some other states, and it should be revised by the coming legislature.

We now have five counties with no tax-supported libraries and in four of these all the towns are so small that a county library is very desirable, but under the present law a county library can only be inaugurated by contract with a town tax-supported library. A change should be made in the law authorizing independent county libraries through the initiative of the county officers. There are also other changes which are desirable.

Township Extension. As a step in this direction we have twenty-two libraries extending their privileges to one or more communities outside their corporation limits through township extension. The following is a list of these libraries with the income received from this source: Alden, \$325; Cedar Rapids, \$380; Clarinda, \$1,345; Cresco, \$510; Davenport, \$650; Dunlap, \$286; Eldon, \$400; Eldora, \$200; Ft. Dodge, \$275; Garner, \$100; Grinnell, \$130; Grundy Center, \$427; Logan, \$187; Montezuma, \$150; Onawa, \$1,060; Reinbeck, \$54; Sac City, \$233; Sibley, \$1,149; Tipton, \$544; Traer, \$330; Winterset, \$384; Woodbine, \$571.

Library Buildings. With the stoppage of gifts for library buildings on the part of the Carnegie Corporation there has been a decrease in the erection of buildings and about twenty libraries are still without homes. One Carnegie building, a delayed gift, was opened during the past two years at Logan costing \$10,000.00.

Adel and Decorah have come into possession of old buildings which are being remodeled for library purposes. Many libraries report redecoration and added equipment.

School Libraries. Interest in this direction has largely increased and while the number of schools with libraries is still comparatively small it is growing, as is also the wish to have them properly organized and administered as indicated by the requests for help coming to the Library Commission. In time many of the consolidated school libraries should become community libraries as well, by becoming branches of the county library.

There has also been an increase in organized school libraries and the employment of properly qualified librarians to administer them.

Library Efficiency. The efficiency of a library is not measured by the number of books on its shelves, but by the number in the hands of its borrowers. Much very valuable help is given through reference work which cannot be counted in figures and the outside use of its books is therefore taken as the measure of its usefulness, though not the extent of it. In comparison the circulation must be taken per capita and then only towns of the same approximate size compared as the per capita decreases with the increase in population.

Below is given a table of the libraries of the state with per capita circulation and income, also of the libraries standing the highest in their respective classes.

		Income Per	Circulation Per
Town	Population	Capita	Cupita
Town Callender Paton Galva Hawkoye Whiting Central City West Branch Mediapolis Maxwell Aiden Weilman Laurens Pringhar Pringhar Maiver Maiver Montesuma Aita	414 539 582 625 688 688 780 876 877 877 914 872 1,108 1,195	Fer Capita \$.85 .45 .11 .28 .64 .151 .94 .95 .120 .90 1.08 .57 .58 *1.20 .94	Per Capita 5.4 5.3 14.0 11.4 19.6 7.7 7.3 14.6 6.6 8.6 7.4 6.1 6.6 8.6 7.4 6.1 6.1 6.1 6.1 6.1 6.1 6.1 6.1 6.1 6.1
Garner Garner Sankua Nashua Nashua	1,311 1,317 1,329 1,415 1,445 1,445 1,445 1,463 1,497 1,604 1,619 1,637	01.12 1.03 0.92 01.32 1.17 0.94 01.08 1.26 98 91.00 1.08 1.06	12.1 10.0 5.2 5.1 6.1 7.4 5.6 10.5 8.1 6.3

		Income	Circulation
Town Popu	dation	Capita	Capita
Town Peps Staart I Mount Ayr Grandy Center I Itelmond I Sibley West Liberty Corydon Hamburg I Hockwell City Marengo I Hombaid I Bedford I Eldon I Eldon I Eldon I	716	81	7.9
Mount Ayr !	738	*1.52	7.7
Grandy Center	797	71,02	5.8
Sthley	.803	*1.30	8.3
West Liberty	.874	-90	8.0
Corning	840	.79	9.7 6.8
Carvion	867	.85	6.6
Hamburg 2	.017	.76	7.2
Rockwell City 2	,039	1.08	7.9
Marengo Moomfield 2	.064	.84	4.6
Hedrerd Hedr	.073	.89	6.8
Eldon	1091	1.57	7.9
Lake City 2	110	62	7.0
Villinea	.111	.78	4.2
Tipton 2	.142	*1.40	14.3
Back Ranids 2	173	.75	5.5
Leon	193	644	4.7
Sigourney	.210	1.10	7.5
Mumboldt	232	1.04	8,0 16.0
Manticello 2	257	.92	7.2
Waukon	,359	.63	6.0
Hawarden	554	.53	2.5
New Hampton 2	538	.65	6.3
Tama 2	,601	.70	6.5
Sac City	630	*1.09	8.0 3.6
Osceola 2	684	58	7.0
Emmetsburg 2	762	.65	7.0 7.7 6.2
Monticelle Waukon Hawarden Hawarden Hawarden Kama Hawarden Hawarden Hawarden Hawa Hampton Hawa Hawarden Haward	.504	.95	8.0
Harlen 9	831	.79	7.4
Onnice 2	.878	1.15	9.5
Anamosa 2	.881	*1.18	6.3 7.1
Winterset	999	.95	9.3
Manchester 3	.111	.91	8.5
Eldora 3	,189	*1.13	8.1
Polls.	226	.52	6.7 6.7 6.8
Waverly 3	352	.81	6.8
Vinton	.381	.48	3.1 4.4
Sheldon	488	.62	4.5
Knoxville 3	.523	.83	6.9
Denison	,581	.67	5.6
Internon Bloddon Knoxville Denison Manuoketa Intianola Storm Lake Independence	628	1.21	9.9
Storm Lake 2	658	1.01	7.6
Independence	.672	.54	3.4 7.7
Glenwood	562	.25	5.6
Iown Palls I	954	1:61	5.4
Missouri Valley	.985	67	3.9
Decorah	019	.31	6.7
Marlon	.128	.41	4.4
Independence	422	.38	3.8 5.3
Clarinda	611	- 48	6.0
Spencer	.599	70	5.6
Washington	687	.70	3.7 5.0
Matherville	699	1.00	7.4
Albia	,027	.40	3.1
Atlantic	255	.80	7.3
Grinnell	362	1.12	8.0
Red Oak	578	74	8.0
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Highest in state	Income Per Capita	Circulation Per Capita
Grundy Center	\$1,52	19.0
Below 1,600 population West Branch	1.51	19.0
1,000 to 2,000 population Grundy Center Onawa	91.52	*16.0
2,500 to 5,000 population Indianola	1.21	9.9
5,000 to 10,000 population Grinnell	*1.12	9.5
10,000 to 25,000 population Clinton	79	9.5
Keekuk 25,000 to 100,000 population Davenport		7.5
Over 100,000 population Des Moines		2.5

^{*}Includes income from township tax.

Income. One of the factors on which the use of the library must very largely depend is of course its income.

An investigation recently made by the American Library Association resulted in a resolution stating that \$1.00 per capita is a reasonable income for libraries. Inasmuch as a larger income per capita is required in the smaller towns the income in such places should go beyond \$1.00 and much beyond as we go down the scale in the size of the town. A glance at the above table will show that many of our libraries are below what is considered a reasonable support. Many far below an adequate support. It is therefore be-

lieved by many library workers that the support of a library should be on a per capita basis and not on a millage.

Librarians. It is also very evident that the efficiency of a library must depend largely on the efficiency of the librarian as only a worker who knows his tools can handle them skillfully and secure desired results.

To this end there exist in various parts of the country library training schools with summer schools in a number of the states, including Iowa. The summer schools give less extensive training, but add greatly to the librarian's knowledge of library technique and therefore to her ability to properly administer her library.

There has been an increase in trained librarians employed in the state during the past two years and we now have about sixty who have received instruction at a regular library school and ninety-five with summer school training.

A foundation of broad educational preparation is desirable before seeking library training and it is gratifying that the library profession is becoming more attractive to college trained women as the salaries offered approach more nearly that of teachers and other skilled workers. There is still, however, must to be desired in this direction.

Trustees. Upon the trustees also rests a responsibility for the success of the library. The library boards of the state include many interested and conscientious men and women who seek the best means of making their libraries useful to their communities. They are all busy people, serving without compensation, but could they stop long enough to take a short course, not in library technique or methods, but in library standards the efficiency of the libraries would be increased thereby. Library meetings furnish such a course to some extent, but unfortunately they are not well attended by trustees.

During the past year the library cause in the state has lost two of its friends in the death of Mr. W. P. Payne, of Nevada, honorary Vice President of the Iowa Library Association and member of the library board at Nevada for many years, and Mr. F. F. Dawley, of Cedar Rapids, for many years a member of the Cedar Rapids library board and President of the Iowa Library Association in 1902.

IOWA SUMMER LIBRARY SCHOOL

This school is conducted as a part of the summer session of the State University in cooperation with the Library Commission and such instruction is given as six weeks permits in cataloging, classification, book selection, reference and children's work, library administration and other minor subjects.

It is not the intention to compete with the full courses given by the regular library schools, but by giving the principles with an opportunity for practice under trained librarians to better fit the librarians to advance the efficiency of the smaller libraries of the state. Summer school students very frequently later take the full course at the regular schools.

The class in 1921 numbered 33; in 1922, 26 regular and 11 special students.

Miss Blanche V. Watts, of Spencer, of the New York State Library School, was Director both years. In 1921 the instruction in reference work and book selection was given by Miss Watts and in cataloging and classification by Miss Gretta Smith, a graduate of Drexel Institute Library School and formerly organizer for the Library Commission. Miss Blanche Smith, of Pratt Institute Library School, and Miss Gail Stahl, of Western Reserve University Library School, acted as revisers.

In 1922 the reference work was given by Miss Watts, book selection and classification by Miss Mae C. Anders, of the University of Illinois Library School, cataloging by Miss Blanche Smith. Miss Ora King, of Wisconsin University Library School, and Miss Iva Wolfe acted as revisers. Both years the lectures on children's work were given by Miss Grace Shellenberger, a graduate of the Pittsburgh School for Children's Librarians, and on library administration by Miss Julia A. Robinson, the Secretary of the Library Commission. Miss Jane E. Roberts, librarian of the State University Library, acted as registrar both years.

A list of reading of the standard and recent books is required of all students. A list of the students for each year and of the required readings will be found in the *Iowa Library Quarterly*.

LIBRARY MEETINGS

Librarians' Conference. As a part of the Summer Library School for the past three years a Librarians' Conference has been held, open to all the librarians of the state. Addresses on library and associated subjects were given by prominent librarians from outside the state and members of the State University faculty.

Iowa Library Association. The annual meeting of the Iowa Library Association for 1920 was held in Des Moines and for 1921 in Ames, the former with an attendance of 177 and the latter 192.

The Spring District Meetings in 1921 were held at Clarinda, Onawa, Sibley, Mt. Pleasant, West Liberty, Oelwein, Perry, and Clarion, with a total attendance of 220 at all the meetings.

In 1922 they were held at Des Moines, Cedar Falls, Mason City, Council Bluffs, Odebolt and Cherokee with a joint meeting of two Iowa and one Illino's districts at Davenport and a total attendance for 1922 of 300.

The district meetings being more accessible and continuing for one day only are easily attended by the librarians of the small libraries and their informal character in the discussion of everyday problems makes them especially helpful.

American Library Association. The meeting of the American Library Association held at Swampscott in 1921 was of especial interest to Iowa I brarians as Miss Tyler, former Secretary of the Iowa Library Commission, was president. In 1922 the meeting was held at Detroit. The Chairman and Secretary of the Iowa Library Commission were present at both meetings.

It has become the custom for Iowa librarians past and present in attendance at these gatherings to lunch or dine together and at Swampscott forty librarians complimented Miss Tyler and Judge Towner with a dinner. At Detroit fifty-six sat down to lunch.

State Teachers' Association. The first meeting of a Library Section of the State Teachers Association was held in 1920 and a second in 1921. The attendance and interest has not been large, but with the increase in the number of school libraries and librarians the interest should grow.

Trustees Conference at State Fair. These conferences held in 1920 and 1921 called together more library trustees than at any other one library meeting ever held in Iowa. But in 1922 the Executive Board of the Iowa Library Association voted not to hold a meeting at the State Fair fearing it would decrease the attendance of trustees at the annual meeting of the Iowa Library Association. The Library Commission feels that this is a mistake and will probably take action to continue the State Fair conference.

Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs. As the Secretary of the Library Commission is Chairman of the subcommittee on Library Extension of the Iowa Federation of Women's Clubs the affiliation between women's club and library work in the state is very close and county libraries and other progressive library ideas receive the support of the State Federation as a whole and of state, county, and club officers.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION

The secretary is also privileged to speak each year at the district club meetings on phases of library work in which the clubs should be interested.

PUBLICATIONS

Iowa Library Quarterly. Volume 8 of the Iowa Library Quarterly was completed with December, 1920, and six numbers of Volume 9 have now been issued.

Leaflets. No new leaflets have been issued during the past two years, but there have been reissues of several of those already in print.

Booklists. The graded school lists have been revised and lists issued for the First and Second, the Third, the Fourth, and the Fifth and Sixth grades. In preparation of these lists the children's librarians of the state cooperated.

Junior and Senior High School lists have also been issued, prepared by the Library Commission in cooperation with the English Teachers' Association of Iowa. These are not only helpful to libraries in book selection, but in work with the schools where teachers do not make the best selection for English reading.

A list of books for the farm homes is in preparation.

Leaflets and booklists now in print are as follows:

Iowa Library Commission Laws. Iowa Library Commission: Its Purpose and Activities. Shall a Free Library Be Established? (Public Library Laws). Making a Library Beginning. Rural Extension of Public Library Privileges (Laws). Good Reading for Your Neighborhood. Free Traveling Library of the State of Iowa. Books That Travel. Books for the Blind.

Traveling Library Picture Collections. TRAVELING LIBRARY SUBJECT LISTS

Agriculture. Child Welfare (revised). Domestic Science. Nurses and Social Workers. The Roral Church and Its Task Picture Lists. Recent Books of Interest (three series).

JUVENILE BOOKLISTS

One Hundred Good Books for Boys and Girls. Reading List for first and second grades. Reading List for third grade.

Reading List for fourth grade. Reading List for fifth and sixth grades.

Reading List for Junior High School. Reading List for Senior High School.

PUBLICATIONS OUT OF PRINT

Iowa Day and a Few Rooks About Iowa. Periodicals; Their Value and Use. Birthdays, Anniversaries and Events.

Library Buildings.

Study Club Programs.

List of Books Recommended for Children's Library; compiled by Annie

Carroll Moore. Traveling Library Lists.

Check-list of State Publications. List of Books by Iowa Authors.

List of Art Books.

List of Books on Modern Philosophy and Religion.

Study Club Outlines. Debate Traveling Library.

Suggestive List of Children's Books for Christmas Purchase

A. L. A. Booklist. To assist in the better selection of books and the best expenditure of their funds, the A. L. A. Booklist is furnished by the commission to forty of the smaller libraries of the state.

Statistics and Blanks. The annual report required by law from the public libraries of the state and the statistics for publication in the Iowa Official Register are regularly collected from the libraries by the Secretary. Blanks for this purpose are prepared and furnished free, as are also blanks for the keeping of daily and monthly reports in the libraries, and the preparation of the annual budget by library boards and the making of the certificate of tax levy to the city council.

A register of the librarians at work in the libraries of the state is also kept on blanks prepared for that purpose.

COMMISSION STAFF

Mail order library work requires more help than is necessary in loaning the same number of books over a library desk. Books distributed through the Traveling Library require the services of trained librarians, as much of it can only be done satisfactorily and economically by people with special preparation, a knowledge of books and ability to use them.

In addition there is much routine work which can be done by less skilled workers, but requiring accuracy and intelligent attention. A large correspondence is naturally the result of state-wide loans during the busy months and this taxes to the utmost the two stenographers now allowed the commission.

The present force in addition to the Secretary consists of a Library Organizer and a Library Cataloger for cataloging the Traveling Library and organizing and cataloging outside, the Librarian of the Traveling Library, the Reference Librarian, two stenographers, a record clerk, an apprentice, and two high school boys on half time as shipping clerks.

This number has not been increased since 1915, while the work has grown in that time from 2,544 requests in 1914 to 6,222 in 1921. This often means delay in filling orders which is annoying to the borrowers, but is unavoidable with the present help.

The Library Commission will therefore ask the legislature for additional library assistance for the Traveling Library and additional help in the shipping room.

Changes have taken place during the past year in several positions, as it is difficult to secure and hold properly qualified librarians for the salaries paid. The attraction of library commission work, however, brings excellent people and the staff is composed of faithful, conscientious workers, many of them very competent.

The selection and ordering of books, the making up of the fixed groups and their preparation for circulation, the keeping of accurate and careful record of their loan and return, the granting of extension and the mending and repairing done in the office and the correspondence growing out of the requests received are included in the work of the various assistants.

TRAVELING LIBRARY

Circulation. The Travel'ng Library now has 56,000 volumes. Approximately 15,000 of these are in fixed groups of fifty books each for general reading by adults and children.

The balance consists of an open shelf or general loan collection from which selected groups on special subjects are loaned. This collection also includes a large number of juveniles.

Both forms of loans are made upon requests from clubs and other organizations, schools, churches, and individual borrowers. To many applications, especially from schools, not nearly the number of books requested can be sent, as the supply of suitable books is always in a depleted state. This is especially true of the standard books required for reading in High School work, although these titles are duplicated many times, and these requests come from schools with no town library facilities. This indicates why the increase in circulation has not kept pace with the increase in requests.

The number of individual borrowers desiring books both for personal reading and study has greatly increased during the past two years. Many of the requests cannot be filled when received, but reservations are made and in course of time the book is sent to all who wish it, though it may be several months delayed. For books in such great demand the period of loan is made one month instead of three, that more people may be served and the time of waiting shortened.

Reference Work. The cumber of requests coming from women's clubs for help in carrying out their study programs is constantly increasing and during the winter months when the clubs are most active the Reference Librarian cannot carry it alone and give the prompt service desired, as many of the questions require search through books and magazines to find the necessary material to cover the subject. High-grade work is done and the help which this department gives is much appreciated by the clubs of the state.

Study Club Outlines. Syllibi and outlines are also loaned to assist clubs in arranging their yearly programs.

Debate Material. References on the subjects used each year by the High School Debating League are selected by the Reference Librarian and the material provided in a large number of duplications, but even then it is impossible to fill the requests with satisfactory promptness. Much other help is given in debate work on various topics.

Books for the Blind. New books in New York Point have been added to the collection for the blind. The cost of purchasing and rebinding these books is heavy, but a much greater service could be rendered in this department with added help to give it attention.

Picture Collections. A new framed collection of paintings by American artists has been added, also a number of mounted but unframed reproductions of the old masters in colors and in brown. The pictures, both framed and mounted only, are in constant demand by women's clubs and schools for exhibit and study use.

SUMMARY

Books added to the Traveling Library	
Books loaned from Traveling Library from July 1, 1920 30, 1922), to June
Requests filled from Traveling Library from July 1, 1920	0, to June
Traveling Library stations established	

LEGISLATION

Seven bills affecting libraries were introduced in the 39th General Assembly, viz., SF's 439, 441, 442, 443, 446, making minor changes in the public library laws, 440 and 445 amending the county library law, 444 changing the appropriation of the Iowa Library Commission.

Of these 440, 441, and 445 were passed, the others not being reported out of the committee. The bills which failed to pass the last legislature will probably be submitted to the 40th General Assembly.

Of these the amendment to the county library law is the most progressive library legislation offered in years. It asks no change in the tax, but includes provisions of the county law in other states where county libraries are being successfully operated.

A change in the time of the report to the Library Commission from December 31st to March 31st to conform the time the city reports are required is greatly desired by the librarians and is one of the bills which will be introduced at this session and should pass

The only legislation which the Library Commission will seek is the provision for added help greatly needed and the payment of its printing and binding from the general state fund.

DETAILED STATEMENT

The total annual appropriation for the work of the Library Commission is \$12,000.00. This covers all the activities of the Commission, Traveling Library, extension, traveling expenses, etc, Inasmuch as the law provides that all accounts and expenditures must be audited and allowed by the State Executive Council, the detailed statement of expenditures is given in the printed records of the council.

Previous to the last legislature the printing and binding of the Library Commission were done under Section 2888f.

During the past two years these two items have been charged to the commission appropriation and this has taken \$3,000 from the book fund. With the increased cost of books and supplies and the increased demands upon us this deduction works a decided hardship and a provision by which these items could be taken care of as in the past would make more books available to the borrowers from the Traveling Library and such a change will be asked.

GIFTS TO IOWA LIBRARIES

July, 1920, to June, 1922.

Adel. \$90 from Joy Girls' Benefit for purchase of books.

Algong. Books to the value of \$150 from the Library Aid Society.

Bedford. \$100 by will of Mr. A. L. Bibbins.

Boone. Art collection of Mr. S. L. Moore by his will.

Boone. \$25,000 from Miss Rena Ericson for addition to library building. Decorah. Three lots valued at \$5,000 from the Volunteer Fire Department (dissolved) for a library building.

Garnavillo. 700 volumes from the library of Judge J. O. Crosby by his will.

Hamburg. \$425 from citizens and \$300 from the Improvement Association for the purchase of books.

Hampton. \$200 from Miss Eva Hampton for purchase of flag and staff. Harlan. \$20,000 from H. H. Paup for library building on condition of 5% interest during his life and guarantee of \$1,000 annual support for library.

Montezuma. One share of Western Grocery Company stock from Miss Lillian Kilburn toward fund for purchase of children's magazines.

Mt. Pleasant. Wesleyan College-Library of Mr. J. T. Hackworth by will of Mrs. Hackworth.

Newton. Part of library of Miss Gullema Zollinger purchased by citizens and presented to the library.

Ottamus. Income from estate of J. T. Hackworth and home made available by his wife's death.

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES ARRANGED BY COUNTIES

(On a municipal tax basis.)

		(On	a municipal	tax	basis.)
Adair C	ounty				
					Audubon
					Vinton
					Cedar Falls, Waterloo
					Boone
					Waverly
					Independence
					Alta, Storm Lake
					Parkersburg
					Lake City, Rockwell City
					Atlantic
					Tipton, West Branch
					Clear Lake, Mason City
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ne	Coder Palls	R. Joseph Haley	Camerine	1902	25,000	47,781	1,134	287,346	15, 175		0.00	
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COLLEGE AND ACADEMY LIBRARIES

Plane	Name of Library	Liberrian	Volumen added in 1921	Total Number o Volumes
Cedar Rapids	Coe College Warthurg College	Betty R. Pritchett Wm. J. H. Knappe	1,367	18,814
Daveaport	St. Ambrose College	Carl H. Meinberg	000	7,500
Decerals	Lather College.	Karl T. Jarobson	970	23,177
Des Mointes.	Des Moines University	Mrs. Eva M. Page	500	18,280
Des Moines	Drake University	Irene Engle	1.204	38, 250
Duboyse	Columbia College	L. Kuennel Mrs. Jessie G. Fogg	1,000	10,000
Epworth	Epworth Syminary	Mrs. Jessie G. Fogg.	21	11, 471
Fairfield	Parsons College	Alice Kirk	899	12,075
Expette	Upper Iowa University	Dora F. Curter.	81	9,519
Forest City	Waldorf College	Jesse B. Doersam		
Grisself	Grinnell Cotlege	Inshelle Clark	2,480	469,621
Hopkinton.	Lenux College	Anna Mand Earhert	30	7,336
Indianola	Sanpsen College		1,049	15,000
lows Falls	Elleworth College	Della Croot Lyda Elefson B. F. / uehl		
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le Mars	Western Union College	B. F. Juchi	360	7,140
Mt. Pleasant	Inws Wesleyan College	Mis. Provence Mchildan.	1,590	29,129
Mt. Verson	Cornell College	May L. Fairlanks	1,137	51,638
Oldisfoors.	Pess College		405	9.322
Fells	Central College	Maria Greiner	213	8,965
Sioux City	Morningside College	Mrs. Jessie H. Jackson	638	23,501
Storm Lake	Buena Vieta College		699	13.200

MISCELLANEOUS LIBRARIES

Cedar Rapids Bohemian Reading Society Cedar Rapids Inwa Mazonic Library Davenport Academy of Sciences	Newton R. Parvin	1,498	31,487
	J. H. Paarmann	1,360	72,059

STATE SUPPORTED LIBRARIES

Ames Cedar Falls Des Meines Des Moines	Iowa State College Iowa State Teachers College Historical Department State Library (including Law and	Charles H. Brown Anne Stuart Duncan Alice Marple	7,812 3,855 926	88,732 62,898 27,729
Der Momes Iowa City Iowa City Iowa City	Medical Library Traveling Library State University B. U. L. Law Library	Johnson Brigham Dorothea Heins Ruth A. Gallaher Grace Wormer Helen S. Moylan	7,038 2,475 2,242 11,540 3,845	176,065 55,800 56,839 179,019 20,458

LIBRARIES IN STATE INSTITUTIONS UNDER BOARD OF CONTROL

Place	Name of Library Librarian—Position vacant	Volumes added from June 30, 1920, to July 1, 1921	Total Number of volumes
Anamosa Cherokee	State Reformatory State Rountal	280	7,211 2,309
Clarinda Davenport Eldora Fort Madison Glemwood	State Hospital Skidders' Orphuns' Home Training School for Boys. State Penttentiary Institution for Fooble Minded Children	318 130 99	1,018 2,568 3,345 6,561 800
Independence Marshalltown Mitchellville.	State Hospital. Iowa Soldiers' House	185	1,636
Mount Pleasant Oakdale Rockwell City Tuledo	State Hospital State Sanstorium for Treatment of Tuberculosia Woman's Reformatory	1,287 14	2, 636 2, 803 719 1, 668
Woodward	Juvenile Home State Hospital and Colony for Epilepties.	1,100	1,300

Erratum: Under College and Academy Libraries the following (received after the list was made) should be included. Debogor: University of Debugor; Leroy E. Loember, Librarian; 217 volumes added in 1921; 11,017, total

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