

no. 3, October, 1900, and was published by the Labor Publishing Co. at Boulder. Succeeded by the "Western Apiary," vol. 1, no. 1, Sept., 1900, of which I have seen vol. 1, no. 2 for Oct., 1900, only.

M. L. contains vol. 1, nos. 1-2, 6; vol. 2, no. 3, Oct., 1900.

*The Western Beekeeper* (Quarterly)—Des Moines, Iowa. Jos. Nywander, Ed. Pub. Jan., April, July and Oct., 1887-1893?

M. L. contains vol. 3, 1889-1890, nos. 1-2; vol. 4, nos. 1-2; vol. 5, nos. 1-4; vol. 6, 1893, no. 1.

*Western Honey Bee*—Lebanon, Mo. E. M. Harrison & Co., Pub. Succeeded by "American Beekeeper," old vol. 2, no. 9, 1880. Ran from vol. 1, Jan., 1879, to vol. 2, no. 8, 1880?

M. L. contains v. 2, nos. 6-7.

*Western Honey Bee*—Started by the California State Beekeepers' Ass'n. Los Angeles, Cal., April, 1913. Geo. L. Emerson, Ed. Now edited by Helen Weightman. Vol. 1, no. 1, April, 1914, plus. Vol. 3 has only 9 nos. April to Dec., 1915. Vol. 4 began in Jan., 1916.

M. L. contains vol. 1, plus.

*White's Beehive News*—Dublin, Ga. 1921. U. S. D. A. vol. 1, 2-3.

M. L. contains vol. 1, no. 2, March.

*White Mountain Apiarist* (The Circle at Home and the Honey Bee)—Berlin Falls, New Hampshire. Aired D. Ellingwood, Pub. A section "The Circle at Home" conducted by Mrs. A. D. Ellingwood, Sept., 1891, moved to Groveton, N. H. Absorbed a magazine called "Special Crops" reported p. 3 of "White Mountain Apiarist." Vol. 1, no. 2, March, 1891. Ed. by C. M. Goodspeed at Skaneateles, N. Y. He was engaged in the queen-rearing business. Absorbed by the "White Mountain Apiarist," vol. 1, no. 4, May, 1891.

M. L. contains vol. 1, no. 1, Jan., No. 3, March, No. 4, May, No. 5, June, No. 7, Aug., and 3 other numbers, dated Jan.-June, 1892, but unnumbered.

*Wisconsin Beekeeping*—Madison, Wis., H. F. Wilson, Ed. Began as a record of the Wis. State Beekeepers' Ass'n., in the March, 1919, issue of "Wisconsin Horticulturist," under title "Among Wisconsin Beekeepers." In Jan., 1922, a special supplement was issued and continued until Dec., 1923. First no. with title "Wisconsin Beekeeping," supplement for April, 1922. First published as a separate journal by the Association Jan., 1924, and monthly edition continued without interruption to date.

M. L. contains Vol. 1, plus.

*Wyoming Bee Line*—Laramie, Wyoming, C. L. Corkins, Ed. Official organ of Wyoming State Beekeepers' Ass'n. Vol. 1, 1925 to Vol. 5, no. 1, Jan., 1929. First 3 vols. in mimeographed form.

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LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

HONORABLE JOHN HAMMELL, Governor of Iowa, and President of  
the Board of Trustees of the Iowa State Library.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith the forty-third  
biennial report of the State Librarian for the Biennial period be-  
ginning on the first day of July, 1928, and ending on the thirtieth  
day of June, 1930.

JOHNSON BRIGHAM,  
*State Librarian.*

Des Moines, Iowa, October 1, 1930.



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## BIENNIAL REPORT OF STATE LIBRARIAN

Though the librarian was away on an extended leave of absence, spent mainly in China and Japan, he found on his return, last April, as he had anticipated, that all four departments of the library had functioned satisfactorily. Since his return, certain activities, held in suspense for a time, have been resumed, and the library closed the biennium June 30, 1930, with steadily increasing activities and gratifying evidences of public appreciation of its usefulness.

When the present librarian entered upon his duties thirty-two years ago, there were two departments, the Law and the Miscellaneous, the latter now classed as the General Library. There are now four departments; the two since added, are the Economics and Sociology department, and the Medical Department.

In 1898—thirty-two years ago—there were of record in the library 57,501 volumes. At the close of this biennium, there were of record 215,353 volumes, an increase of 157,852. And yet, during all those years, there was never a time when the departmental appropriations approached what seemed to be the amounts necessary to build up the library as fast as the growing needs of the public demanded, a situation not wholly unique to the experience of state librarians!

I cannot lay the blame for this condition upon the several general assemblies, or, since the office of budget director has been created, upon that official. The sad fact of lack of room in all four departments made it seem inconsistent on my part to ask for increased appropriations for books when there was an absence of shelf-room. The executive council has, from time to time, generously responded to my requests for additional book-stacks and shelving; but at the present time there is no longer any room for more book-stacks or shelving. This embarrassing condition will happily be relieved when the long-hoped-for and well-planned building for the use of the Supreme Court shall be erected and furnished; the plan for which building includes the occupancy of the entire first, or basement, floor by the four departments of the State Library. It is hoped that the next General Assembly will appropriate a sufficient sum of money to erect and furnish for occupancy the building to which the state is committed and for



which elaborate and architecturally beautiful plans were approved some six years ago.

Let me briefly outline the activities of the several departments:

#### THE GENERAL DEPARTMENT

The most extensive department and the one most used by the public is the General Library. The books accessioned during the last biennial period in this department number 3,613. The reference use made of this department is steadily increasing. In addition to the individual assistance given professional investigators and students, and local high schools and colleges, also lyceum lecturers, club-women, public speakers and the public generally, the librarian is in daily receipt of letters asking for information on a wide range of subjects. The General Library also loans direct to local libraries and to colleges and universities on call, and in response to requests which come to the Iowa Library Commission, with which the State Library is intimately correlated, the State Librarian being ex-officio member and, by election from year to year, Commission chairman.

The General Library is playing an important part in the dissemination of knowledge and in imparting information not only to students but also to adults. My capable First Assistant in the General Library at the present time, and for the past thirty-two years, is Miss Helen M. Lee.

#### THE LAW AND LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT

The Law and Legislative Reference Department is making rapid gains. There have been 2,133 volumes added during the last biennium. A number of old and rare volumes are included in the list. It is the law librarian's purpose, as funds permit, to add the statute laws and reports, also the text-books of other countries. This department now has practically all the law literature of the British dominions, and not a little published in European countries and South America. Like the three other departments, it is badly handicapped for want of room.

The Law Library recently suffered the worst case of vandalism in its history, when a supposedly reputable lawyer while making a compilation of the welfare laws of the various states, took advantage of the law librarian's confidence and mutilated many of the recent statutes and laws. The vandal was fortunately apprehended before his work had been completed and is now under in-

diction and held under bond for trial. He is also forbidden future admission to the library.

This department, keenly appreciated by students, lawyers and the courts, has for the past thirty-two years been presided over by A. J. Small, an ex-president of the American Association of Law Libraries.

#### THE ECONOMICS AND SOCIOLOGY DEPARTMENT

This department, keenly appreciated by legislators, educators, students, women's clubs and the public generally, though only six years old, is rich in volumes unbound and unaccessioned pamphlets and material typed and filed for ready reference. The true growth and real usefulness of this department made up largely of up-to-date material, cannot be shown by figures in the accession book. The State Library cataloger reports 1,787 books added during the past biennium. This is really a small part of the reference material which has been indexed and put away in file cases, all together making up a most valuable part of the department's reference material. The several thousand volumes on the shelves in this department include all the recent more valuable contributions to economics and sociology. The status of the department was clearly defined in the code revision of 1924, and the name was changed from Legislative Reference to Economics and Sociology. It includes the following, besides the general works in these classes: Statistics, Political Science, Suffrage, Colonies and Immigration, Slavery, Foreign Relations, Legislative Bodies and Annals, Political Parties and Conventions, Capital and Labor, Banks and Banking, Stocks and Bonds, Land (ownership, rights and rent), Cooperation and Communism, Finance, Taxation, Protection and Free Trade, Production and Prices, Local Government, U. S. and State Government, Military Service, Associations and Institutions, Commerce and Communication. This department is presided over by Miss Mary Rosemond, a valued member of the library staff since 1900.

#### THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

This department, the latest addition to the usefulness of the State Library, established in 1921, has more than realized the anticipation of those who for six years worked with legislators for its establishment.

In a paper read by me before the National Association of State Libraries, in Washington, in 1922, the practical application of the



Traveling Library system to our Medical Department was reported as phenomenally successful; and when the question was put to the librarians present as to whether that feature of State distribution was employed by any other State Library, there was no response. Possibly by this time it has been adopted; but, if so, I have not been made aware of the fact. The number of loans made during the biennial period has increased to 17,031, and the number is increasing. A year ago the department's reprints numbered 6,004. They now number 8,080—an increase of 2,076. This increase is independent of the gift of the splendid library of the late Dr. D. S. Fairchild, of Clinton, to which reference is made in another paragraph.

The activities of the Medical Department include:

1. The loaning of books and periodicals in response to requests.
2. The preparation of check-lists and bibliographies in response to requests, and the loaning of material selected by physicians following the receipt of the bibliographies.
3. The making of translations from foreign books and periodicals.
4. The borrowing of books from the Surgeon-General's Library and other libraries.
5. The attendance of the Medical Librarian on local and state conventions of physicians and surgeons.

The Medical Library has been increased materially during the last biennium by a number of generous gifts.

The gift of Dr. D. S. Fairchild, of Clinton, one of Iowa's most distinguished physicians and surgeons, merits special mention. The gift, from the widow, was made in accordance with the doctor's long-cherished purpose. The Fairchild library donated to the State includes 1,500 volumes, many of them rare, and over 1,200 unbound journals, many of them now out of print, enabling the librarian to complete several files of periodicals. Recognizing the munificence of this gift, and wishing to build a living monument to Dr. Fairchild's memory, the Iowa State Medical Society at its meeting held in May, 1930, voted a bronze tablet to be placed at the entrance of the alcoves in which the Fairchild Collection is shelved. The Society also voted \$100 a year for five years for the purchase of books to keep the Fairchild gift up to date.

The library is also indebted to others of the medical profession for contributions. Among the more valuable gifts are the following:

After the death of Dr. Thomas E. Powers, of Clarinda, Mrs. Powers gave her husband's medical library; Dr. Thomas Irish, of Forest City, and Dr. Emma J. Neal, of Cedar Rapids, gave their fathers' medical libraries. Among other contributors are Doctors C. E. Ruth, O. J. Fay, W. L. Bierring, M. G. Sloan, of Des Moines, also doctors W. L. Osburn, of Osage, W. F. Hamstreet, of Titonka, A. C. Conway, of Marshalltown, Ben G. Budge, of Ames, Maj. J. H. Gould, D. V. M., and the Iowa State Medical Society.

A museum of old surgical instruments and rare old books, having historical or pioneer interest, has recently been started by the Medical Librarian, mainly through the generosity of Dr. Corwin S. Cornell, of Knoxville, and Dr. William A. Rohlf, President of the Iowa State Medical Society. The collection now consists of sixty-one articles, of which two are surgical cases used in Civil War times. We have reason to anticipate that this collection will materially increase in size and value.

This department is headed by Dr. Jeannette Dean-Throckmorton, a highly trained and experienced physician, and author of numerous contributions to the literature of her profession.

Summarizing the activities of the four departments during the last biennial period, I here give the figures compiled by the State Library's cataloger, Miss Bernice Langfitt:

Total number of books of record, as per inventory in the several departments of the State Library on June 30, 1928, was.....	203,640
The total additions to the several departments during the period ending June 30, 1930, was.....	11,713
These additions make a grand total of books in the State Library, June 30, 1930.....	215,353
The additions during the last biennial period by departments are as follows:	
To the General Library.....	3,613
To the Law and Legislative Reference Department.....	2,133
To the Economics and Sociology Department.....	1,787
To the Medical Department.....	4,180

I also present a summary statement supplied by Dr. Throckmorton, covering the activities of the Medical Department during each year of the last biennium. I am amplifying my report of the activities of the Medical Department for the reason that the comparatively new department is of intense interest to the physicians and surgeons, and many others indirectly related to it, thus showing the remarkable increase in the service it has rendered.

July 1, 1928 to June 30, 1929

Requests for literature.....	2,431
Pieces of literature loaned.....	8,119
Pieces of literature borrowed from other libraries.....	24
Letters written.....	892
Cards written.....	1,564
Visitors in library.....	1,193
Telephone calls—local and long distance.....	355
Cards made for new acquisitions: book, journal and reprint file.....	4,225
Periodicals received by subscription.....	134
Periodicals received by gift.....	68
Volumes in Library July 1, 1928.....	8,720
Gifts to Library:	
Books.....	14
Journals (bound).....	22
Journals (unbound).....	4,057
Given in exchange with other libraries:	
Books.....	171
Journals.....	1,753

July 1, 1929 to June 30, 1930

Requests for literature.....	2,374
Pieces of literature loaned.....	8,921
Pieces of literature borrowed from other libraries.....	19
Letters written.....	1,437
Cards written.....	1,630
Visitors in library.....	1,671
Telephone calls—local and long distance.....	461
Cards made for new acquisitions: book, journal and reprint file.....	12,743
Periodicals received on subscription.....	139
Periodicals received by gift.....	70
Volumes in the library June 30, 1930.....	13,909
Gifts to the library:	
Books.....	2,092
Journals (bound).....	978
Journals (unbound).....	20,203
Reprints.....	2,600
Pictures.....	3
Museum exhibits from 5 donors.....	61
Given to other libraries on exchange account:	
Books.....	204
Journals.....	216

Following is a statement of the classified expenditures of the four departments of the State Library covering the biennial period ending June 30, 1930, as compiled by Miss Minnie E. Hess, the State Library's bookkeeper and secretary to the State Librarian.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHNSON BRIGHAM,  
State Librarian.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

## RECAPITULATION

Of Librarian's Expenditures for the biennial period beginning July 1, 1928, and ending June 30, 1930

## GENERAL DEPARTMENT

Books purchased.....	\$ 6,491.74
Periodicals purchased.....	2,386.20
Binding.....	1,717.47
Printing.....	129.78
Catalog Supplies.....	240.25
Total.....	\$10,965.44

## LAW AND LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE DEPARTMENT

Books purchased.....	\$ 7,987.83
Periodicals purchased.....	1,803.27
Binding.....	1,726.29
Printing.....	65.30
Catalog Supplies.....	83.57
Extra Help.....	112.00
Total.....	\$11,778.26

## MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

Books purchased.....	\$ 1,220.33
Periodicals purchased.....	2,408.28
Binding.....	513.60
Printing.....	86.31
Catalog Supplies.....	84.34
Travel Expense.....	292.23
Miscellaneous Expense.....	29.97
Extra Help.....	37.50
Total.....	\$ 4,672.55

## ECONOMICS AND SOCIOLOGY DEPARTMENT

Books purchased.....	\$ 1,906.05
Periodicals purchased.....	571.19
Binding.....	648.36
Printing.....	10.20
Total.....	\$ 3,135.80