

~~KENTUCKY LIBRARY COMMISSION,
FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY~~

Iowa
Library
Commission
Its
Purpose
And
Activities

Frankfort

Iowa Library Commission

MEMBERS EX-OFFICIIS

Johnson Brigham, State Librarian, Chairman.

John G. Bowman, President of the State University.

A. M. Deyoe, State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

MEMBERS APPOINTED

Mrs. H. M. Towner - - - - Corning

Mrs. H. J. Howe - - - Marshalltown

Mrs. A. J. Barkley - - - - Boone

W. R. Orchard - - - - Council Bluffs

Miss Julia A. Robinson, Secretary and Director of Library Extension.

OFFICE ASSISTANTS

Reba Davis, Librarian, Traveling Library.

Mary E. Marks, Field and Reference Assistant.

Charlotte E. Goetzman, Library Organizer

Ruth M. Willard, Cataloger.

Ada L. Septer, Clerk.

Pearl Phillips, General Assistant.

Harry Fleming, Shipping Clerk.

OFFICE

Historical Building, - Des Moines, Iowa

IOWA LIBRARY COMMISSION

The Iowa Library Commission was created by an act of the Twenty-eighth General Assembly, March 20, 1900. The Commission consists of seven members, three being ex-officio, and four appointed by the Governor. These serve without compensation and employ a Secretary not of their number to attend to the activities of the Commission work. Its purpose is to promote the establishment and efficiency of public libraries in Iowa, and to encourage the circulation and reading of good books.

ACTIVITIES

Extension and Supervision

The Library Commission co-operates with local communities in establishing and developing public libraries; aids in book selection, building plans, etc. Organizes libraries according to modern methods and gives advice and instruction to trustees and librarians by personal visits and correspondence.

Library Statistics

Collects and publishes statistics of libraries in the state for guidance and information of trustees and for inclusion in the Official Register. Furnishes report blanks for library statistics and records in local libraries.

Traveling Library

Maintains a system of Traveling Libraries, loaning books for reading and study throughout the State. (a) In **Fixed Groups** of fifty volumes for general reading by adults and children; (b) In **Selected Groups** to meet specific needs of study clubs, debating societies, and farmers' organizations.

Books for the Blind

Provides a collection of books in N. Y. Point for blind readers in connection with the Traveling Library.

Picture Collections

Loans pictures in connection with art books, and for exhibit purposes.

Study Club Programs

Loans outlines and syllabi to clubs to aid in preparing programs.

Periodical Exchange

Collects and distributes standard magazines free, to aid small libraries in providing a reference collection.

Publications

Issues the Iowa Library Quarterly, devoted to library progress and news of the state; also selected lists, leaflets and aids of various kinds.

If you want books for reading or study, or help for your library, write to the **IOWA LIBRARY COMMISSION**, Historical Bldg., Des Moines, Iowa.

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