

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
Meeting October 9, 1912 at 4 p. m.

Present: Messrs. Head, Whittingham, Davis, Barker, Mayer, Bartholomew, Hemphill, Brandeis and Stites; President Head in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The resignation of Miss A. V. Pollard as Acting Librarian to take effect November 15, 1912 was read. It was moved by Mr. Stites and seconded that consideration be postponed until the committee appointed to nominate a librarian is ready to report and that a special meeting be called Wednesday October 23, 1912 to consider both matters. Carried.

Dr. Mullins submitted a report from the Building Committee on furniture for the Jefferson Branch Library. The committee recommended the acceptance of the bid from Library Bureau for \$1542.10. Adopted.

The Building Committee also recommended repairs suggested by Architects D. X. Murphy & Bro. on Main building and branches. Mr. Stites moved and it was seconded that the matter be referred to the Building Committee with power to act. Carried.

Mr. Stites, Chairman of the Finance Committee, presented a tentative budget for the year. This was received and ordered filed.

The report to the Library Committee was then read. It contained a report from the Acting Assistant Librarian on subscriptions for the coming year. It was moved and seconded that subscriptions to the amount of \$2045.85 be ordered. Carried.

It further contained a report from the Acting Assistant Librarian in regard to the Kentucky Child Welfare Association, which will meet in Louisville November 21-30. It was moved and seconded that the library make an exhibit at this meeting, the cost not to exceed \$25. Carried.

Mr. Barker moved and it was seconded that \$10,000 builder's risk insurance be taken out on the Jefferson Branch Building. Carried.

The following list of bills were read, approved and ordered paid by the Treasurer:

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| A. L. A. Publishing Board            | \$ | 9.75   |
| American Prison Association          |    | 1.00   |
| Anderson, Miss Margaret              |    | 2.40   |
| Anderson, Miss Mildred               |    | 1.20   |
| Arizona, Secretary of State          |    | 1.60   |
| Bush Krebs Co.                       |    | 4.20   |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                |    | 3.00   |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.                   |    | 6.50   |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co. |    | 60.45  |
| Dearing Chas. T.                     |    | 479.30 |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                  |    | 323.79 |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                  |    | 5.50   |
| Electric Shop                        |    | 6.90   |
| Elm Tree Press                       |    | 1.00   |
| Evans & Foster                       |    | 30.60  |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                  |    | 5.00   |
| Harrington, Mrs. G. W.               |    | 27.23  |
| International Textbook Co.           |    | 8.00   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.               |    | 314.80 |
| Koehler Mfg. Co., Henry L.           |    | 5.82   |
| Lane Co., John                       |    | 1.74   |
| Lemcke & Buechner                    |    | 1.58   |
| Lewis Hall Association               |    | 36.25  |
| Library Bureau                       |    | 17.50  |
| Lockwood, Miss Mary S.               |    | 5.50   |
| Louisville Gas Co.                   |    | 8.00   |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.        |    | 51.00  |
| Louisville Lighting Co.              |    | 43.85  |
| Louisville Lighting Co.              |    | 3.50   |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.          |    | 11.50  |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                 |    | 387.79 |

Forward- - - - - \$1866.25

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|   | Brought Forward- - - - | -\$1866.25 |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.              |                        | 10.85      |
| Morton & Co., John P.                         |                        | 93.40      |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                          |                        | 14.40      |
| Perry Pictures Co.                            |                        | 4.84       |
| Pollard, Miss A.V., Acting Libn. (Petty Cash) |                        | 140.35     |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                      |                        | 13.10      |
| Robinson, Wilson & Co.                        |                        | 135.00     |
| St. Bernard Mining Co.                        |                        | 8.94       |
| Settle, Geo. T. (Order Dept.)                 |                        | 3.05       |
| Smith, D. T.                                  |                        | 2.00       |
| Southern Elevator Co.                         |                        | 8.80       |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.                         |                        | 22.61      |
| Van Dort & Co., G. Broes                      |                        | 8.70       |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.                   |                        | 3.35       |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                            |                        | 14.70      |

Total----- \$2350.34

Pd) Pollard, Miss A. V. Acting Libn. (PayRoll) 2824.20

CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL-----\$5174.54

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|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Pd) Jeunesse, R.               | \$ 300.00 |
| Pd) Jeunesse, R.               | 300.00    |
| Pd) Marine Electric Co.        | 150.00    |
| Pd) Peter & Burghard Stone Co. | 500.00    |
| Pd) Peter & Burghard Stone Co. | 100.00    |
| Pd) Tyler Co., R. B.           | 400.00    |

Building Construction Total 2650.00

TOTAL VOUCHERS FOR SEPTEMBER-----\$7824.54

Summary of items to be paid:

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|---------------------|------------------|---------|
| Current Maintenance | <u>\$2350.34</u> | 2350.34 |
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Summary of items paid:

|                       |                |                |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Current Maintenance   | \$2824.20      |                |
| Building Construction | <u>2650.00</u> | <u>5474.20</u> |

\$7824.54

It was moved and seconded that Dr. Mayer and Mr. Settle be appointed a committee to investigate the subject of establishing a municipal reference library or a business branch in the central part of the city, and make report to the Board. Dr. Mayer in his remarks asked that the committee be allowed to incur the expenses necessary to make this report. Carried.

Adjourned.

Minutes approved \_\_\_\_\_

W. D. Head Pres  
M. J. Bartolomeo Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Special Meeting October 23, 1912 at 4 P. M.

Present: Messrs. Head, Barker, Brandeis, Mullins, Hemphill, Stites, Whittingham, Powell, Davis, Young, O'Brien and Bartholomew; President Head in the chair.

The meeting had been called to hear the report of the Committee on nominating a librarian. Gen. Young reported that the committee was not ready to report and moved that the meeting be adjourned to November 5, 1912 at 3 p. m. Carried.

It was moved by Gen. Young that a bust of Mr. Barksdale be placed in the library. This matter was referred to the Library Committee with power to act.

The question of a site for the Eastern Colored Branch was then discussed. It was moved and seconded that the call for the special meeting on November 5 should include the consideration of this matter.

Adjourned

Minutes approved

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W. O. Head Pres.

J. H. Bartholomew Sec.

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LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Special meeting November 5, 1912 at 3 P.M.

Present: All members of the Board; Mayor Head presiding.

The meeting had been called to consider the question of a librarian and a site for the Eastern Colored Branch library.

The Committee on a site for this branch reported progress.

The question of a librarian was then considered.

It was moved by Mr. Whittingham and seconded by Mr. O'Brien that Mr. Settle be appointed.

It was moved by Dr. Hemphill and seconded by Dr. Mullins that Mr. Rush be appointed.

The vote was ordered taken and was as follows:

For Mr. Settle: Messrs. Head, Young, O'Brien, Mayer Barker, Whittingham and Bartholomew (7).

For Mr. Rush: Messrs. Davis, Powell, Stites, Mullins, Hemphill and Brandeis (6).

Mr. Settle was therefore declared elected.

Mr. Stites moved that Miss Pollard's resignation be accepted and her salary paid in full for the month of November. He also moved that Gen. Young, Dr. Mullins and Dr. Hemphill be appointed a committee to give expression of the Board's regret. Carried.

Adjourned.

Minutes approved

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W. H. Head Pres.  
W. B. Bartholomew Sec.

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
Meeting November 13, 1912 at 4 p. m.

Present: Messrs. Whittingham, Bartholomew, Powell, Mayer,  
Hemphill and Davis.

In the absence of a quorum, it was decided to adjourn.

Minutes approved

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Pres

*R. W. Bartholomew*

Sec .

## November Bills

The following bills were approved by the Executive Committee

November 15, 1912 and ordered paid:

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| Albrecht-Heick Hardware Co.          | \$ 2.35   |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.        | 3.00      |
| Anderson, Miss Mildred               | 2.40      |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                | 33.39     |
| Associated Photo Co.                 | 22.50     |
| Baird, Lewis C.                      | 10.00     |
| Baldwin Publishing Co., H.L.         | 1.25      |
| Bland Electric Co.                   | 2.50      |
| Boston Book Co.                      | 1.02      |
| Buckley, R. G.                       | 6.10      |
| Carens College of Dressmaking        | 4.47      |
| Century Co.                          | 97.20     |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                 | 4.50      |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.                   | 2.00      |
| Cudahy Packing Co.                   | 10.00     |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co. | 9.00      |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                    | 812.81    |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                  | 742.28    |
| Democrat Printing Co.                | 2.74      |
| Dodd, Mead & Co.                     | 87.20     |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                  | 10.50     |
| Evans & Foster                       | 31.75     |
| Fetter Co., Geo G .                  | 3.85      |
| Fleck, John H.                       | 19.65     |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                | 2.50      |
| Geher, Fisher & Co.                  | 1.50      |
| German Security Insurance Co.        | 67.50     |
| Gienandt, Fritz L.                   | 3.00      |
| Glover, Bloom, Coons & Jones         | 27.00     |
| Hesse, H.                            | 4.00      |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff          | 2.10      |
| International Textbook Co.           | 8.46      |
| International Time Recording Co.     | 5.00      |
| James, U. P.                         | 1.50      |
| Jellico-Laurel Coal Agency           | 8.50      |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                   | 9.50      |
| Kavanaugh, F. K.                     | 1.00      |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.               | 379.00    |
| Kentucky Educational Association     | 1.00      |
| Koehler, Henry                       | 4.50      |
| Leary, Stuart & Co.                  | 10.80     |
| Lemcke & Buechner                    | 22.83     |
| Library Bureau                       | 15.75     |
| Liebschutz, N.                       | 18.00     |
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|                                      | \$2515.90 |

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|   | Brought Forward----- | \$2515.90 |
| Lewis Hall Association                      |                      | 35.00     |
| Louisville Gas Co.                          |                      | 10.71     |
| Louisville Lighting Co.                     |                      | 48.95     |
| Louisville Lighting Co.                     |                      | 2.10      |
| Louisville Paper Co.                        |                      | 8.75      |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                 |                      | 11.50     |
| Macmillan Co.                               |                      | 6.88      |
| Malkan, Henry                               |                      | 8.00      |
| Martins, C.                                 |                      | 2.20      |
| Martin, W. L.                               |                      | 40.50     |
| Matlack Co., Claude C.                      |                      | 1.65      |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                        |                      | 73.90     |
| Mengel Box Co.                              |                      | 6.00      |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.            |                      | 10.90     |
| Morton & Co., John P.                       |                      | 96.05     |
| National Child Labor Committee              |                      | 2.00      |
| National Conference on City Planning        |                      | 2.00      |
| National Municipal League                   |                      | 5.00      |
| New & Old Book Co.                          |                      | 3.00      |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                        |                      | 13.15     |
| Pollard, Miss A. V. Acting Libn. Petty Cash |                      | 97.75     |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                         |                      | 40.35     |
| Rand, McNally & Co.                         |                      | 25.00     |
| Rare Book Shop                              |                      | 10.00     |
| St. Bernard Mining Co.                      |                      | 119.29    |
| Settle, Geo. T.                             |                      | 40.35     |
| Settle, Geo. T. (Order Dept.)               |                      | 5.50      |
| Southern Elevator Co.                       |                      | 4.00      |
| Stammer, P.                                 |                      | 2.00      |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.                       |                      | 1.64      |
| Struck Co., Alfred                          |                      | 49.40     |
| Torch Press                                 |                      | 1.00      |
| Universal Binder                            |                      | 5.78      |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.         |                      | 363.98    |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.                 |                      | 1.21      |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                          |                      | 1.08      |

Total-----\$3672.47

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| Pd) Pollard, Miss A. V. Acting Libn. (Pay Roll) | 2934.25 |         |
| Pd) Rush, Chas. E.                              | 26.15   | 2960.40 |
| Pd) Collins, Val P.                             | 660.00  |         |
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co.                       | 1000.00 |         |
| Pd) Neville, Kellner & Co.                      | 725.00  |         |
| Pd) Nolan Bros.                                 | 200.00  |         |
| Pd) Schupp, Ferd F.                             | 1200.00 |         |

Bldg. Const. Total 3785.00

TOTAL VOUCHERS FOR NOVEMBER-----\$10417.87



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| Summary of items to be paid: |                |                |             |
| Current Maintenance          |                |                | \$3672.47   |
| Summary of items paid:       |                |                |             |
| Current Maintenance          | \$2960.40      |                |             |
| Building Construction        | <u>3785.00</u> | <u>6745.40</u> |             |
|                              |                |                | *\$10417.87 |

The Committee also authorized the Louisville Trust Company to borrow \$10,000 for the current maintenance of the library in accordance with a letter from Mr. John Stites, Chairman of the Finance committee.

Adjourned.

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
Meeting December 11, 1912 at 4 p. m.

Present: Messrs. Head, Davis, Mullins, Hemphill, Barker, Powell, Whittingham and Bartholomew; Mayor Head presiding.

The communication from Mr. Fred Erhart, Architect asking to be considered for the Eastern Colored Branch, was referred to the Secretary.

The report of the Library Committee was read and ordered filed. Upon motion of Dr. Hemphill the same was considered seriatim.

It contained a recommendation that Miss Jennie M. Flexner be appointed Temporary Acting Head of the Circulation Department at \$75 per month. It was moved by Dr. Powell and seconded by Dr. Mullins that this recommendation be approved. Carried.

It contained a further recommendation that Miss Bernice W. Bell be appointed Temporary Acting Head of the Children's Department at \$75 per month. It was moved by Dr. Powell and seconded by Mr. Whittingham that this recommendation be approved. Carried.

It was moved by Dr. Hemphill and seconded by Dr. Powell that the recommendation of the appointment of Miss Mary Mullins as assistant in the Order Department at \$30 per month be approved. Carried.

The Library Committee recommended that the Board take up with the Board of Park Commissioners the question of placing the Statue of George D. Prentice on the library grounds instead of in Central Park. General Young was appointed a committee of one to take up this question.

Upon the suggestion of the Library Committee the Secretary

was asked to write to the Courier-Journal Co. to express the appreciation of the Board for the gift of files of the out of date papers.

The following bills were approved and ordered paid by the Treasurer:

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| Albrecht-Heick Hardware Co.                | \$ 1.20 |
| American Academy of Medicine               | 2.50    |
| A. L. A. Publishing Board                  | 10.00   |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                      | 1.90    |
| Arabol Mfg. Co.                            | 4.80    |
| Associated Photo Co.                       | 6.75    |
| Barret & Son, John J.                      | 11.08   |
| Bayly & Co., J. W. E.                      | 40.50   |
| Booker & Kinnard                           | 19.00   |
| Boston Book Co.                            | 1.50    |
| Bowker, R. R.                              | 16.00   |
| Breuer & Co.                               | 40.50   |
| Brown, R. W.                               | 40.00   |
| Burkley & Tierney                          | 40.50   |
| Carpenter & Dudley                         | 27.00   |
| Chemical Publishing Co.                    | 4.25    |
| Clark Electric Co., James Jr.              | 8.46    |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                      | 4.60    |
| Crisis                                     | 2.00    |
| Crockett, Ingram                           | 1.00    |
| Danforth & Co.                             | 19.80   |
| Davis & Co., H. V.                         | 11.88   |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                          | 1861.60 |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                          | 488.47  |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                        | 751.96  |
| Desmond, H. J.                             | 1.00    |
| Dow Wire & Iron Works                      | 110.70  |
| Dugan & Co., Thos S.                       | 23.75   |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                        | 1.25    |
| Elliott-Madison Co.                        | 43.20   |
| Evans & Foster                             | 31.90   |
| Ferguson & Scott                           | 31.66   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                        | 11.05   |
| Gaylord Bros.                              | 53.80   |
| German Insurance Co.                       | 7.91    |
| Gray & Son, J. S.                          | 23.74   |
| Griffin, Z. F.                             | 1.50    |
| Heimerdinger, W. C.                        | 1.00    |
| Hubbuck Bros & Wellendorff                 | 35.73   |
| Hunting Co., H. R.                         | 1.32    |
| Johnson, Chas. Thruston                    | 17.42   |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                         | 1.00    |
| Kentucky & Louisville Mutual Insurance Co. | 4.20    |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                     | 224.80  |
| Kentucky State Library                     | 1.00    |

Forward-----\$4045.18

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|-----------------------------------|----------------------|-----------|
|                                   | Brought Forward----- | \$4045.18 |
| Koehler, Henry                    |                      | 26.30     |
| Koehler Mfg. Co., Henry L.        |                      | 10.45     |
| Lamb Co., James H.                |                      | 7.00      |
| Lewis Hall Association            |                      | 35.00     |
| Library Bureau                    |                      | 129.95    |
| Lindsey, T. N.                    |                      | 1.60      |
| Louisville Gas Co.                |                      | 2.75      |
| Louisville Lighting Co.           |                      | 6.08      |
| Louisville Lighting Co.           |                      | 57.10     |
| Louisville Paper Co.              |                      | 14.10     |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.       |                      | 11.50     |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.              |                      | 457.37    |
| McDevitt-Wilson Bargain Book Shop |                      | 22.50     |
| Mann, Owen R.                     |                      | 11.88     |
| Martin, W. L.                     |                      | 311.60    |
| Matlack Co., Claude C.            |                      | 10.00     |
| Matthews & Co., Jas. H.           |                      | 1.54      |
| Mayes Printing Co.                |                      | 28.25     |
| Mengel Box Co.                    |                      | 2.00      |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.  |                      | 6.95      |
| Mississippi Historical Society    |                      | 1.00      |
| Morton & Co., John P.             |                      | 79.63     |
| National Civic Federation         |                      | 1.00      |
| National Housing Association      |                      | 2.00      |
| New York Public Library           |                      | 1.00      |
| O'Reilly & Pautch                 |                      | 27.00     |
| Ouerbacker & Gilmore Co.          |                      | 4.00      |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.           |                      | 3.25      |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.              |                      | 6.45      |
| Remington Typewriter Co.          |                      | 2.50      |
| Reutlinger & Miller               |                      | 3.96      |
| Robinson, Wilson & Co.            |                      | 27.00     |
| St. Bernard Mining Co.            |                      | 55.74     |
| Settle, Geo. T. (Order Dept.)     |                      | 7.85      |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian         |                      | 130.77    |
| Slaughter & Co., J. B.            |                      | 31.68     |
| Southern Elevator Co.             |                      | 4.00      |
| Special Libraries Association     |                      | 2.00      |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.             |                      | 9.00      |
| Stone & Gnau                      |                      | 47.52     |
| Struck Co., Alfred                |                      | 9.75      |

Forward-----\$5376.20

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| Brought Forward-----                | \$5376.20        |
| Superintendent of Documents         | 12.25            |
| Theobald & Reinecke                 | 23.76            |
| Timberlake & Co., Thos. C.          | 23.76            |
| Vacuum Cleaner Construction Co.     | 5.14             |
| Virginia Historical Society         | 5.00             |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. | 570.21           |
| Wilson Co. H. W.                    | 158.25           |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                  | 3.75             |
|                                     | <u>\$6178.32</u> |

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| Pd) Pollard, Miss A. V. (Pay Roll)      | \$ 200.00 |         |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian(Pay Roll) | 2792.70   | 2992.70 |

CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL-----\$9171.02

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|---------------------------|----------------|
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co. | 2000.00        |
| Pd) Jeunesse, R.          | 300.00         |
| Pd) Pell & Bro., W. B.    | 150.00         |
| Pd) Stephen & Bro., John  | <u>1000.00</u> |

Building Construction Total 3450.00

TOTAL VOUCHERS FOR NOVEMBER-----\$12621.02

Summary of items to be paid:  
 Current Maintenance \$6178.32

Summary of items paid:  
 Current Maintenance \$2992.70  
 Building Construction 3450.00 6442.70 \$12621.02

It was decided that the opening exercises for the Jefferson Branch Library be held on the evening of Thursday January 2 for adults and on the afternoon of Saturday January 4 for children.

It was moved by Mr. Davis and seconded by Dr. Powell that the monthly meeting in January be held on the night of the second Tuesday at 7:30 o'clock. Carried.

Adjourned.

Minutes approved

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*W. J. Keard* Pres.  
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*R. M. [Signature]* Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Meeting Tuesday January 14<sup>1913</sup> at 7:30 p. m.

Present: Messrs. Head, Young, Powell, Mullins, Barker, Stites, Mayer, O'Brien, Hamphill, Whittingham, Davis and Bartholomew; President Head in the chair.

The reading of the minutes of the previous meeting was dispensed with.

The Special Committee on a site for the Eastern Colored Branch Library made the following report:

To the Board of Trustees of  
the Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

Your Special Committee on Sites has again had under consideration the recommendation of a site for the Eastern Colored Branch Library, and, since the last report of progress, we have inspected a number of sites for the proposed building.

Of the half-dozen locations proposed, all of which we have inspected, we decidedly prefer that one which lies at the Southeastern corner of Lampton and Hancock Streets, which has a frontage of 150 feet on Lampton Street and a frontage of 75 feet on Hancock Street, the eastern edge of the lot being bounded by a 15-foot alley.

There are three cottages on this lot, all fronting on Hancock Street, and the owner proposes to clear the ground.

It seems that some money can be raised by private contribution.

Accordingly, we recommend the purchase of the property above described, provided, however, this Board appropriate for that purpose a sum not in excess of \$4,000 and the additional money raised by private contributions shall not exceed \$1,000, the entire purchase price not to exceed the sum of \$5,000, which we consider a liberal price for the property.

In case the property can be so purchased, we would require a perfect fee simple title, free of all liens and all taxes, including those for the year 1913.

We recommend the purchase of this lot particularly because we are informed that the colored people themselves

greatly prefer it, but we are not willing to recommend the appropriation of more than \$4,000 of the Board's money toward the purchase nor more than \$5,000 in all.  
Respectfully submitted

Albert S. Brandeis, Chairman  
E. L. Powell  
E. J. O'Brien

This report was generally discussed by the members of the Board. Rev. John Little and several representative colored citizens made addresses recommending the lot, whereupon Mr. Stites moved to adopt the report of the committee. The ayes and nays were called with the following result:

Ayes: Messrs. Hemphill, Powell, Barker, O'Brien, Stites and Davis (6).

Nays: Messrs. Head, Young, Whittingham, Mayer and Bartholomew (5).

The Building Committee through the Chairman made a report which upon motion was read and adopted.

The Finance Committee through Mr. Stites, Chairman, submitted the following budget for the ensuing year:

To the Board of Trustees

Louisville Free Public Library

Gentlemen:

Your Finance Committee presents the following budget for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1913:

Receipts

|  |               |
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| City taxes (Comptroller's estimate)                          | \$62,582.81   |
| Back taxes   | 1,355.68      |
| Fines and miscellaneous receipts                             | 2,200.00      |
| Rents (\$3,000 X 7 mos - \$21000 minus \$7750 inter-<br>est) | 13,250.00     |
| Balance on hand August 31, 1912                              | <u>611.51</u> |
| TOTAL-----   | \$80,000.00   |

## Expenditures

|   |             |
|---|-------------|
| Expense   | \$ 5,400.00 |
| Light, heat and power                             | 6,000.00    |
| Furniture and fixtures (Delivery wagon \$600 inc) | 1,600.00    |
| Repairs and improvements                          | 7,000.00    |
| Pay Roll - Librarian and assistants               | 32,958.50   |
| Janitors and other labor                          | 5,722.00    |
| Insurance   | 2,500.00    |
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|   | \$61,180.50 |
| Books   | 15,819.50   |
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|   | 77,000.00   |
| Lot for Eastern Colored Branch                    | 3,000.00    |
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| TOTAL-----  | \$80,000.00 |

Respectfully submitted

John Stites, Chairman  
 Chester Mayer  
 Thos. A. Barker

On motion the budget was adopted and ordered filed.

The Library Committee made a report through General Young, Chairman, and upon motion of Dr. Hemphill the report was considered seriatim.

The first item in the report was the purchase of an automobile. This was allowed not to exceed \$600 in cost.

The second item in the report was the creation of a department to be known as Station and Extension Department. It was moved and seconded that this department be allowed and that the person to take charge of same be recommended to the Library Committee and then to the Board.

The next item concerned the extension of library hours until 10 p. m. This question was discussed and finally it was agreed to open the Main Library until 10 p. m. beginning Monday January 20 for an indefinite period.

The next item was a request for a trained assistant in the



Catalog Department at a salary of \$65 to \$75 per month. The privilege of such an assistant was granted the recommendation to be made to the Library Committee and then to the Board.

The report as submitted by the Library Committee was adopted.

A letter from the Kaufman-Straus Co. to the Board of Trustees of the Polytechnic Society regarding the bad condition of tanks at that building was upon motion referred to the Building Committee with power to act.

Upon motion Mayor Head was authorized to appoint a committee to confer with Judge Grubbs in reference to the mortgage on the Polytechnic property. The chair appointed Messrs. Barker, Powell and Davis.

The following bills for the month were approved and ordered paid:

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|--------------------------------------|----|--------|
| American Library Association         | \$ | 5.00   |
| Anderson, Miss Margaret S.           |    | 2.20   |
| Anderson, Miss Mildred W.            |    | 2.40   |
| Anderson, Miss Emma W.               |    | 4.20   |
| Associated Photo Co.                 |    | 9.35   |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.          |    | 9.20   |
| Bland Electric Co.                   |    | 7.05   |
| Buckley, R. G.                       |    | 1.50   |
| Bywater Bros.                        |    | 10.00  |
| Brown, R. W.                         |    | 1.80   |
| Clark, James Jr. Electric Co.        |    | 4.80   |
| Clegg & Co., F. A.                   |    | 5.60   |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                |    | 1.55   |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co. |    | 58.95  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                    |    | 417.61 |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                  |    | 210.02 |
| Dinkelspiel, Miss Blanche            |    | 6.30   |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                  |    | 11.01  |
| Evans & Foster                       |    | 22.00  |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                  |    | 1.40   |
| Finck, Carl H.                       |    | 3.75   |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                |    | 1.10   |
| Gaylord Bros.                        |    | 10.50  |
|                                      |    | <hr/>  |
|                                      | \$ | 807.29 |

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|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Forward-----                        | \$ 807.29        |
| German Security Insurance Co.       | 83.00            |
| Gienandt, Fritz L.                  | 3.00             |
| Hager Co., C. C.                    | 3.30             |
| Hopkins, Luther W.                  | 1.00             |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff         | 1.75             |
| Imperial Mfg. Co.                   | 4.50             |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.              | 191.20           |
| Koehler Mfg. Co., Henry L.          | 7.66             |
| Lamb Publishing Co.                 | 1.50             |
| Lemcke & Buechner                   | 25.93            |
| Lewis Hall Association              | 35.00            |
| Library Bureau                      | 199.30           |
| Lindsey, T. N.                      | 5.58             |
| Louisville Gas Co.                  | 4.57             |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.       | 51.00            |
| Louisville Lighting Co.             | 10.78            |
| Louisville Lighting Co.             | 58.30            |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.         | 11.50            |
| McClurg & Co., A.C.                 | 369.66           |
| McDevitt-Wilson Bargain Book Shop   | 30.00            |
| MacKenzie, Geo. Norbury             | 15.00            |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.    | 5.40             |
| Morton & Co., John P.               | 52.25            |
| National Committee on Prison Labor  | 1.65             |
| Newarker                            | 1.00             |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                | 22.95            |
| Professional Memoirs                | 3.00             |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                 | 7.50             |
| Remington Typewriter Co.            | 4.25             |
| St. Bernard Mining Co.              | 160.01           |
| Settle, Geo. (Order Dept.)          | 9.33             |
| Settle, Geo. Librarian              | 46.70            |
| Settle, Geo. T. Libn (Petty Cash)   | 93.80            |
| Smith Book Co.                      | 17.50            |
| Southern Elevator Co.               | 4.72             |
| Strauss, Julius                     | 1.75             |
| Struck Co., Alfred                  | 5.20             |
| Thomson-Pitt Book Co.               | 2.00             |
| U. S. Government Advertiser         |                  |
| Ridenour & Jenks, Publishers        | 5.00             |
| University of Chicago Press         | 2.50             |
| Walker & Co., F.                    | 1.50             |
| Wallon & Son, A. J.                 | 8.50             |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. | 628.66           |
| West Disinfecting Co.               | 25.00            |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.         | 3.00             |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                   | 19.55            |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                  | 18.55            |
|                                     | <u>\$3072.09</u> |

Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Libn. (Pay Roll) 2938.35

CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL \$6010.44

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|---------------------------|--------------|-----------|
|                           | Forward----- | \$6010.44 |
| Pd) Bickel Co., Henry     | \$ 600.00    |           |
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co. | 1000.00      |           |
| Pd) Jeunesse, R.          | 300.00       |           |
| Pd) Nolan Bros.           | 150.00       |           |

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| Bldg. Const. Total |  | <u>2050.00</u> |
|--------------------|--|----------------|

TOTAL VOUCHERS FOR DECEMBER \$8060.44

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| Summary of items to be paid: |                  |         |
| Current Maintenance          | <u>\$3072.09</u> | 3072.09 |

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|------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Summary of items paid: |                |                |
| Current Maintenance    | \$2938.35      |                |
| Building Construction  | <u>2050.00</u> | <u>4988.35</u> |

TOTAL-----\$8060.44

Upon motion of General Young the resignation of Miss Hubbuch was accepted and Messrs. Young, Bartholomew and O'Brien were appointed a committee to express the appreciation of the Board for the faithful and conscientious service rendered by her during her term of office.

Mr. Barker gave notice that he would at the next meeting suggest the following amendment to the by-laws:

"At next regular meeting on February 11, 1913 I shall offer an amendment to by-laws amending same so that the monthly meetings shall be held on the second Tuesday in each month at 7:30 P. M.

The Board adjourned to meet on the second Tuesday in February at 7:30 P. M.

Minutes approved

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*W. O. Head* Pres.  
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*C. H. Bartholomew* Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Special Meeting January 31, 1913 at 7:30 P. M.

Present: Messrs. Young, O'Brien, Mullins, Stites, Barker, Whittingham, Brandeis and Bartholomew; General Young in the chair.

The meeting was called at the request of Messrs. Head, O'Brien and Barker to consider the extension of the loan on the Polytechnic building with the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York and to select an architect for the Eastern Colored Branch Library.

Messrs. E. L. Powell and Chas. R. Hemphill sent letters of regret at their inability to attend the meeting.

General Young read a draft of the agreement to be entered into by the Polytechnic Society and the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. Mr. Stites moved that same be approved offering the following resolution:

Resolved that the proposal of the Mutual Life Insurance Co. for an extension of the loan made by the said Company to the Louisville Public Library and the Louisville Free Public Library, for a period of five years, be and the same is hereby accepted and the Executive Officers be and they are hereby directed to execute said agreement and the Louisville Public Library is hereby requested to unite in said agreement for the purposes therein set out.

The vote was called with the following result:

Ayes: Messrs. Young, Stites, O'Brien, Barker, Whittingham, Bartholomew (6).

Noes: Brandeis (1).

Dr. Mullins was excused from voting.

The question of an architect for the Eastern Colored Branch

Library was taken up. Mr. Barker nominated Mr. Fred Erhart and this nomination was seconded by Mr. O'Brien. Mr. Stites nominated Mr. Mason Maury and this nomination was seconded by Mr. Brandeis.

The vote was then called and resulted as follows:

For Mr. Erhart: Messrs. Young, Barker, O'Brien, Whittingham and Bartholomew (5). For Mr. Maury: Messrs. Stites, Brandeis and Mullins (3).

Mr. Erhart was declared elected.

Mr. Stites stated that the \$1,000 promised by the Colored citizens of the East End had been deposited with the Louisville Trust Company and that the money covering taxes for 1913 was also on hand.

Adjourned.

Minutes approved

Feb. 11, 1913.

W. O. Stites Pres

W. N. Bartholomew Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting February 11, 1913 at 7:45 P.M.

Present. Messrs. Young, Brandeis, Barker, Stites, Hemphill, O'Brien, Whittingham, Mayer and Bartholomew; in the absence of Mayor Head, General Young presided.

The minutes of the regular meeting on January 14 and of the special meeting of January 20 were read and approved.

Mr. Stites moved to reconsider the resolution offered by him at the last meeting in regard to the extension of the loan with the Mutual Life Insurance Co. of New York and the Louisville Public Library and the Louisville Free Public Library, which prevailed.

Mr. Barker moved to approve the resolution offered by Mr. Stites at the last meeting, which was unanimously agreed to.

The Secretary read the following resolution in reference to the resignation of Miss Hubbuch:

The Board of Trustees accepts the resignation of Miss Anna F. Hubbuch, but with sincere regret. Her amiable disposition has endeared her to those to whom she has ministered so faithfully for many years.

Miss Hubbuch's work has always been accurate and superlatively neat, in fact a model, or standard of unusual excellence.

The members of the Board hereby express their high appreciation of her womanly traits of character and they also wish that she may be the recipient of the richest benedictions of our Heavenly Father.

Therefore, be it resolved - That this preamble and resolution be spread upon the minutes of the Board and that a copy properly engrossed be sent to Miss Hubbuch.

Bennett H. Young     )  
W. H. Bartholomew    ) Committee  
E. J. O'Brien        (

The above was unanimously approved.

The report of the librarian was read and adopted.

The bills for the month amounting to \$3524.35 were approved

and on motion of Mr. Stites ordered paid:

|                                      |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Albrecht-Heick Hardware Co.          | \$ 1.35 |
| A. L. A. Publishing Board            | 1.13    |
| American-Plate-Enamel Co.            | 3.20    |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                | 8.15    |
| Anderson, Miss Mildred               | 1.10    |
| Avery & Co., Samuel L.               | 19.80   |
| Barbee & Castleman                   | 135.00  |
| Bloom, Levi                          | 67.50   |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                    | 2.00    |
| Britnell, Albert                     | 1.25    |
| Buckley, R. G.                       | 3.10    |
| City Club of Chicago                 | 2.00    |
| Clark Co., Charles W.                | 2.28    |
| Clegg & Co., F. A.                   | 5.00    |
| Consolidation Coal Co.               | 8.50    |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                | 1.55    |
| Cudahy Packing Co.                   | 10.00   |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co. | 3.00    |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                    | 458.34  |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                  | 371.58  |
| Dodd & Livingston                    | 8.25    |
| Dow Wire & Iron Works                | 4.00    |
| Dreher, K.                           | 7.15    |
| Dye Paper Co., E. B.                 | 10.50   |
| Evans & Foster                       | 56.45   |
| Ferguson & Scott                     | 33.75   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                  | 11.50   |
| Fleck, John H.                       | 1.50    |
| Franklin Printing Co.                | 3.50    |
| German Security Insurance Co.        | 33.75   |
| Guntermann, Miss Bertha              | 4.00    |
| Huston, Sam M.                       | 67.50   |
| Kendrick's Sons, Wm.                 | 2.00    |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.               | 162.80  |
| Koehler, Henry                       | 14.35   |
| Koehler Mfg. Co.                     | 2.03    |
| Lane Co., John                       | 2.25    |
| Lemcke & Buechner                    | 5.12    |
| Lewis Hall Association               | 35.00   |
| Library Bureau                       | 50.20   |
| Lindsey, T. W.                       | 1.35    |
| Louisville Carriage & Taxicab Co.    | 8.00    |
| Louisville Gas Co.                   | 3.58    |

Forward-----\$1634.36

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|---|----------------------|-----------|
|   | Brought Forward----- | \$1634.36 |
| Louisville Lighting Co.                         |                      | 58.60     |
| Louisville Lighting Co.                         |                      | 17.36     |
| Louisville Paper Co.                            |                      | 56.51     |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                     |                      | 11.50     |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                            |                      | 486.43    |
| Martin, W. L.                                   |                      | 19.75     |
| Mathis, Victor                                  |                      | 2.50      |
| Matlack Co., Claude C.                          |                      | 10.25     |
| Matlack, W. H.                                  |                      | 3.00      |
| Mayes Printing Co.                              |                      | 6.25      |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.                |                      | 5.30      |
| Milton, W. A.                                   |                      | 31.50     |
| Mississippi Valley Historical Association       |                      | 2.00      |
| Morton & Co., John P.                           |                      | 101.61    |
| National Conference of Charities and Correction |                      | 1.60      |
| National Tax Association                        |                      | 7.00      |
| Nolan Bros.                                     |                      | 45.00     |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                            |                      | 12.75     |
| Pontrich, Simon                                 |                      | 2.50      |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                             |                      | 22.05     |
| Reutlinger & Miller                             |                      | 33.75     |
| Robertson, Mrs. Frances Haberly                 |                      | 8.96      |
| Ruebush-Elkins Co.                              |                      | 2.25      |
| St. Bernard Mining Co.                          |                      | 78.53     |
| Settle, Geo. T. (Order Dept)                    |                      | 9.63      |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian                       |                      | 106.67    |
| Slaughter & Co., J. B.                          |                      | 33.75     |
| Southern Elevator Co.                           |                      | 4.00      |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.                           |                      | 6.35      |
| Struck Co., Alfred                              |                      | 28.10     |
| Walker & Co., F.                                |                      | 10.25     |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.             |                      | 659.65    |
| Williams, John H.                               |                      | 1.50      |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                              |                      | 2.94      |

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|-----------------------------------|-------|-----------|
|                                   | Total | \$3524.35 |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Libn Pay Roll |       | 3021.35   |

CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL-----\$6545.70

|                           |            |          |
|---------------------------|------------|----------|
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co. | \$ 1500.00 |          |
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co. | 1000.00    |          |
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co. | 1500.00    |          |
| Pd) Gott, Fred            | 50.00      |          |
| Pd) Louisville Title Co.  | 5000.00    |          |
| Pd) Louisville Trust Co.  | 5090.66    |          |
| Pd) Nolan Bros.           | 150.00     |          |
| Pell & Bro., W. B.        | 200.00     |          |
| Pd) Pell & Bro., W. B.    | 175.00     |          |
| Pd) Shupp, Ferd           | 250.00     | 14915.66 |

TOTAL VOUCHERS FOR JANUARY-----\$21461.36



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| Summary of items to be paid: |                  |                 |
| Current Maintenance          | <u>\$3524.35</u> | \$3524.35       |
| Summary of items paid:       |                  |                 |
| Current Maintenance          | 3021.35          |                 |
| Building Const               | 4825.00          |                 |
| Site                         | 5000.00          |                 |
| Bills Payable and Interest   | <u>5090.66</u>   | <u>17937.01</u> |
|                              |                  | \$21461.36      |

Mr. O'Brien, Chairman of the Building Committee, made the following report:

To the Board of Trustees,

Louisville Free Public Library

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Building Committee held on January 20 it was decided to refer back to the Board the letter of Kaufman-Straus Co. of December 31, 1912 without action of the committee.

At this same meeting it was moved by Mr. Barker and seconded by Mr. Davis that the Board allow an additional \$5,500 for repairs on the Main building.

Your committee has authorized repairs on the main building and branches amounting to \$3506.90. The total bids call for \$12,238.60 and the appropriation for this work was \$7000, this leaves a balance of \$5238.60 not counted on in the appropriation.

Respectfully submitted  
E.J. O'Brien  
Chairman

Upon motion of Mr. Stites seconded by Mr. Brandeis the Building Committee was instructed to allow the Kaufman-Straus Co. one fourth or 25 per cent of the expenses incurred in replacing the tank in the building occupied by that firm. Carried.

That part of the Building Committee report which referred to the increase of \$5000 on appropriation for repairs and improve-

ments was upon motion of Mr. Brandeis postponed for consideration until the next meeting. The Secretary was requested to send to each member of the Board the suggestions of the architects as to the repairs which in their judgment are needed.

Mr. Brandeis moved that the suggestion of the Insurance Committee to increase the insurance on Polytechnic rents to 80 per cent of \$36,000 or to \$28,800 was approved.

Mr. Barker brought up his resolution which he offered at the last meeting to amend the by-laws by having the meeting on the second Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. rather than on the second Wednesday at 4 p. m. The ayes and noes were called with the following result:

Ayes: Messrs. Young, Whittingham, O'Brien and Barker (4)

Noes: Messrs. Mayer, Hemphill, Brandeis, Stites and Bartholomew (5)

Dr. Hemphill then gave notice that he would at the next meeting call up the resolution offered by Mr. Barker, changing the time of meeting from 4 p. m. to 7:30 p. m.

Adjourned.

Minutes approved

March 17/04

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W. O. Head Pres.

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J. V. Bartholomew Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Special Meeting Thursday, March 6th, 1913.

Upon call of Mayor W. O. Head, General Bennett H. Young, and Mr. John Stites there was a special meeting of The Louisville Free Public Library Board on Thursday, March 6th, 1913 at one o'clock at the office of Mr. Stites, Louisville Trust Co., to take action on the death of Mr. A. S. Brandeis, a member of the Board.

Present: Messrs. Head, Young, Stites, Bartholomew, Whittingham, Hemphill, Barker, Davis and O'Brien.

Upon the motion of General Young seconded by Mr. Stites, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, It has pleased Divine Providence to remove by death Albert S. Brandeis, one of our fellow directors on the Louisville Free Public Library Board, now therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the surviving members of the Board, express our appreciation of his long-continued, intelligent, zealous services in the interest of the public library system of our city.

Resolved, That we recognize the fact that this Board has lost a fearless, able, earnest worker, whose place will be hard to fill.

Resolved, That we here record our appreciation of his uprightness, moral energy, and civic spirit, and express our deep regret that not only our Library but also our city has lost the services of a citizen of high ideals and noble purposes.

Resolved, That we extend our sincere sympathy to his bereaved family, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to them and to the press, and that they be entered in the records of the proceedings of this Board.

Minutes Approved.

March 17th.

W. O. Head Pres.  
H. V. Bartholomew Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Regular Meeting March 12th, 1913 at 4 P. M.

Present: Head, Whittingham, Barker, Davis, Stites, Hemphill, Mayer and Bartholomew.

The minutes of the previous regular meeting of February 11th, and the special meeting on March 6th were read and approved.

The communications from the various womens' clubs of this city were read, and upon motion of Dr. Hemphill seconded by Dr. Mayer, the same were referred to the Library Committee with instruction to investigate what could be done, and report at the next regular meeting. Carried.

The trial balance of the treasurer was read and ordered filed.

The report of the Library Committee, which was as follows:

## Statistics.

The February report of The Louisville Free Public Library is most gratifying, and shows a continued increase in the use of the library. There were 73,280 volumes issued for home use, which was an increase of 1,193 over the corresponding month last year. There were 24 days for circulation last year and only 23 this year. There were 1,110 new borrowers registered, an increase of 234 over the same month last year. The report also shows an increase in the reference department, and in other lines of work.

## Apprentice Class.

The apprentice class consisting of fourteen young ladies, began work in the Library on January 6th, and eleven completed the course with the final examination on Monday, March 10th. This class is made up of splendid material for Library service.

## Jefferson Branch Opening.

The Jefferson Branch Library opening exercises extended from March 6th to 8th inclusive. The Branch was opened for the circulation of books on Monday, March 10th. This is one of the best buildings and best equipped branch libraries in the city. It has been erected within the appropriation at a cost including furniture, \$22,500. The appropriation was not to include furniture but the Building Committee has succeeded in including the furniture within the appropriation.

Librarian's Secretary and Bookkeeper.

Miss Carolyn E. Adelberg is recommended to the position of Librarian's secretary and bookkeeper, to succeed Miss Anna F. Hubbuch, resigned, at a salary of \$60. per month.

Senior Assistant in Order Department.

Miss Bertha L. Guntermann is recommended for promotion to senior assistant in Order Department at a salary of \$60. per month.

Assistant for Station and Extension Work.

Miss Jennie O. Cochran is recommended to take charge of the Stations and Extension Work at a salary of \$75. per month.

Prentice Statue.

The Courier Journal Company has donated a statue of George D. Prentice to be placed on the Library grounds. It is recommended that we make arrangements to receive this statue, and prepare a program for the exercises.

was read and upon motion of Mr. Stites seconded by Mr. Barker, approved.

The chairman, Mayor Head, appointed General Bennett H. Young, Dr. Chas. R. Hemphill and Prof. W. H. Bartholomew together with George T. Settle, the Librarian, a committee to arrange the program, etc. for the reception of the George D. Prentice statue.

The bills for the month were approved, and the treasurer was ordered to pay the same:

|                                      |              |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Albrecht-Heick Hardware Co.          | \$ 6.40      |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.        | 3.75         |
| Anderson, Miss Mildred               | 1.80         |
| Anderson, & Co., A. J.               | 22.95        |
| Barbee & Castleman                   | 25.20        |
| Barret & Son, John J.                | 12.60        |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.          | 11.38        |
| Bland Electric Co.                   | 1.40         |
| Breuer & Co.                         | 6.30         |
| Buckley, R. G.                       | 1.40         |
| Gaie Co., Thomas J.                  | 71.28        |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                 | 2.70         |
| Cowan & Co., Andrew                  | 22.35        |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                | 1.40         |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.                   | 14.00        |
| Cudahy Packing Co.                   | 10.00        |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co. | <u>15.00</u> |
| Forwarded-----                       | 229.91       |

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|---|------------------------|----------|
|   | Brought Forward-----\$ | 229.91   |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                       |                        | 171.80   |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                     |                        | 235.67   |
| Dugan & Co., Thos. S.                   |                        | 11.34    |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                     |                        | 8.13     |
| Elm Tree Press                          |                        | 1.00     |
| Evans & Foster                          |                        | 30.00    |
| Evening Post Co.                        |                        | 2.55     |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                     |                        | 2.50     |
| Finck, Carl H.                          |                        | 4.50     |
| German Insurance Co.                    |                        | 12.60    |
| Grubbs & Grubbs                         |                        | 37.40    |
| Hall, J. M.                             |                        | 1.50     |
| Harrington, Mrs. G. W.                  |                        | 26.68    |
| Hummel & Meyer                          |                        | 12.60    |
| Jefferson, Noyes & Brown                |                        | 12.60    |
| Kendrick's Sons, Wm.                    |                        | 6.50     |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                  |                        | 242.00   |
| Klein, Miss Mabel C.                    |                        | 5.00     |
| Koehler, Henry                          |                        | 6.05     |
| Koehler Mfg. Co., Henry L.              |                        | 5.05     |
| Lane Co., John                          |                        | 3.46     |
| Jang, Chas. A.                          |                        | 12.60    |
| Lang, Henry R.                          |                        | 12.60    |
| Lemcke & Buechner                       |                        | 9.44     |
| Leonard Brush & Woodenware Co.          |                        | 14.85    |
| Lewis Hall Association                  |                        | 35.00    |
| Library Bureau                          |                        | 70.00    |
| Louisville Gas Co.                      |                        | 4.65     |
| Louisville Lighting Co.                 |                        | 7.00     |
| Louisville Lighting Co.                 |                        | 55.80    |
| Louisville Paper Co.                    |                        | 8.75     |
| Louisville Stone & Marble Co.           |                        | 133.00   |
| Louisville Times Co.                    |                        | 2.70     |
| Louisville Title Co.                    |                        | 200.00   |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.             |                        | 11.50    |
| McAtee & Co., A. H.                     |                        | 12.60    |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                    |                        | 100.62   |
| Matlack & Co., Claude C.                |                        | 20.10    |
| Mayer Printing Co.                      |                        | 8.50     |
| Mengel Box Co.                          |                        | 2.00     |
| Merchants' Ice & Cold Storage Co.       |                        | 5.15     |
| Morton & Co., John P.                   |                        | 54.90    |
| National Child Labor Committee          |                        | 2.00     |
| Ouerbacker-Gilmore Co.                  |                        | 3.25     |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                 |                        | 11.41    |
| Plaza Book Shop                         |                        | 2.80     |
| Robinson, Wilson & Long                 |                        | 22.50    |
| St. Bernard Mining Co.                  |                        | 81.16    |
| Settle, Geo. T., Librarian(Order Dept.) |                        | 11.07    |
| Settle, Geo. T., Librarian(Petty Cash)  |                        | 118.95   |
| Shuman & Co., Geo. I.                   |                        | 41.00    |
| Southern Elevator Co.,                  |                        | 5.00     |
| Standard Printing Co.                   |                        | 15.60    |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.                   |                        | 12.35    |
| Timberlake & Co., Thos. C.              |                        | 22.50    |
| Tippett, Alex. W.                       |                        | 12.60    |
| Todd & Co., J. M.                       |                        | 12.60    |
| Tyler, Owen                             |                        | 17.50    |
|   | Forwarded-----         | 2,242.89 |

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|-------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Brought Forward-----                | \$2,242.89      |
| University of Chicago Press         | 1.60            |
| Viglioni & Co., P.                  | 12.60           |
| Wanner & Co., Julius                | 12.60           |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. | 594.09          |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                   | 6.73            |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                  | 13.83           |
| Wood, Stubbs & Co.                  | 15.50           |
| Total                               | <u>2,899.84</u> |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T., Libn. Pay Roll | <u>3,043.54</u> |

CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL-----\$5,943.38

|                                 |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Pd) American Mosaic & Tile Co.  | 24.00         |
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co.       | 1500.00       |
| Pd) Gott, Fred                  | 40.00         |
| Pd) Grainger & Co.              | 395.00        |
| Pd) Hubbuch Sr. & Sons, Jos.    | 46.50         |
| Pd) Hubbuch Bros. & Wellendorff | 376.40        |
| Pd) Jeunesse, R.                | 700.00        |
| Pd) Library Bureau              | 1542.10       |
| Pd) Louisville Trust Co.        | 15173.33      |
| Pd) Stephan Co., John           | 194.10        |
| Pd) Tyler Co., R. B.            | <u>108.50</u> |

Bldg. Const. Total 20,099.93

TOTAL VOUCHERS FOR FEBRUARY 26,043.31

Summary of items to be paid:  
 Current Maintenance \$2899.84 2,899.84

Summary of items paid:  
 Current Maintenance 3438.54  
 Int. & Bills Payable 15173.33  
 Building Construction 4531.60 23,143.47

Total-----\$26,043.31

Mr. Stites, the treasurer, was instructed to receive the rent from the Kaufman-Straus Co. under the new lease.

The Board then adjourned.

Minutes approved.

*Apr. 9th - 1913*

*W. Stites* Pres.

*J. N. Hartman* Sec.

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.  
REGULAR MEETING APRIL 9th, 1913 AT 4 P. M.

Present: Messrs. Young, Powell, Hemphill, Whittingham, Barker, Davis, Mayer, Powers, Thalheimer and Bartholomew.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from the Mayor in which he stated that he had appointed Joshua D. Powers trustee to succeed John Stites, William Thalheimer to succeed Albert S. Brandeis, deceased, and Prof. W. H. Bartholomew to succeed himself, whereupon Messrs. Powers, Thalheimer and Bartholomew presented their certificates of qualification properly subscribed and sworn to.

The report of the Library Committee for the month was read by General Bennett H. Young, chairman of the Library Committee.

A communication from the Louisville Literature Club through Mrs. Charlotte O. Woodbury asking that the bronze bust of Madison Cawein be placed in the Library April 25th at 5 P. M. and that the circulation of books be suspended for one hour during the ceremonies of the same, was read. The Library Committee recommended that the same be granted whereupon Dr. Hemphill moved, seconded by Dr. Powell, that the recommendation of the Library Committee be concurred in.

The request from the Falls City Athletic Association asking permission to hold its meetings in the auditorium of the Jefferson Branch Library was received, whereupon Dr. Powell moved that the matter be referred to the Library Committee with power to act. Carried.

The report of the Building Committee was received and ordered to be recorded. The said committee recommended that the bid of Alt and Gnau for the building, \$15,851., and the J. L. Brownfield & Co. bid for heating, \$1,300. be accepted. The same was unanimously concurred in. The Building Committee requested that the Secretary make



a minute of the following:

"The Building Committee at regular meeting in February reported that it would require about \$12,000. to make repairs on main building; that only \$7000. had been appropriated for that purpose and that it would require \$5000. additional appropriation. The Committee requests that minute be made by the Secretary of its report."

Respectfully submitted,

Building Committee.

Bills for the month were read and approved and ordered paid:

|  |    |        |
|--|----|--------|
| Albrecht-Heick Hardware Co.                                    | \$ | 1.50   |
| American Assn. for Study and Prevention of<br>Infant Mortality |    | 3.12   |
| American Education Co.   |    | 4.00   |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.                                    |    | 14.38  |
| Bland Electric Co.   |    | 1.15   |
| Brown & Co., Geo. P.   |    | 1.66   |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.   |    | 4.50   |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.  |    | 1.55   |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.   |    | 2.00   |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.                         |    | 51.29  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.  |    | 247.36 |
| Dearing Book Shoppe  |    | 290.37 |
| Ditson & Co., Chas. H.   |    | 6.73   |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.  |    | 10.50  |
| Evans, Charles   |    | 105.00 |
| Evans & Foster   |    | 42.25  |
| Evening Post Co.   |    | 5.40   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.  |    | 20.70  |
| Ford Motor Co.   |    | 564.75 |
| Franklin Printing Co.  |    | 2.25   |
| Gamble, Mrs. Hoyt  |    | 2.00   |
| Gaylord Bros.  |    | 56.90  |
| Holstner & Sons Co.  |    | 300.00 |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.   |    | 192.40 |
| Klein, Miss Mabel C.   |    | 6.00   |
| Kentucky Electric Co.  |    | 6.56   |
| Koehler Mfg. Co., Henry L.                                     |    | 11.65  |
| Lane, John   |    | 1.50   |
| Leary, Stuart & Co.  |    | 1.50   |
| Lewis Hall Association   |    | 35.00  |
| Library Bureau   |    | 54.95  |
| Library of Congress  |    | 150.00 |
| Lindsey, T. M.   |    | 36.00  |
| Louisville Courier-Journal Co.,                                |    | 5.10   |
| Louisville Gas Co.   |    | 9.05   |
| Louisville Herald  |    | 4.00   |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.                                  |    | 63.50  |
| Louisville Lighting Co.  |    | 5.60   |
| Louisville Lighting Co.  |    | 38.60  |
| Louisville Paper Co.   |    | 26.00  |
| Louisville Times Co.   |    | 6.00   |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                                    |    | 12.25  |

Forwarded-----2,405.02

|   |                      |            |
|---|----------------------|------------|
|   | Brought Forward----- | \$2,405.02 |
| A. C. McClurg & Co.                         |                      | 2.71       |
| Macmillan Co.                               |                      | 4.00       |
| Matlack Co. Claude C.                       |                      | 17.90      |
| Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Co.          |                      | 5.85       |
| Moffat, Yard & Co.                          |                      | 1.41       |
| Morton & Co., John P.                       |                      | 116.63     |
| Music Teachers' National Association        |                      | 1.60       |
| National Education Association              |                      | 2.00       |
| National Tribune                            |                      | 2.50       |
| Niblack, Miss Eliza M.                      |                      | 1.10       |
| Nitschke, D.                                |                      | 4.80       |
| Ouerbacker-Gilmore Co.                      |                      | 4.00       |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                    |                      | 68.00      |
| St. Bernard Mining Co.                      |                      | 86.41      |
| Schirmer, G.                                |                      | 4.09       |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian(Order Department) |                      | 13.57      |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian(Petty Cash)       |                      | 116.92     |
| Southern Elevator Co.                       |                      | 4.00       |
| Standard Printing Co.                       |                      | 4.50       |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.                       |                      | 8.08       |
| Stone & Gnau                                |                      | 78.75      |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                        |                      | 5.00       |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.         |                      | 593.00     |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.                 |                      | 3.00       |
| Wood, Stubbs & Co.                          |                      | 3.75       |

Total

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|--|------------|----------|
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll | \$3,174.35 |          |
| Pd) Wagner & Sons, J. F. Repairs       | 1,006.00   | 4,180.35 |

CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL-----\$7,738.94

|                                 |          |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Pd) Albrecht-Heick Hardware Co. | 7.80     |          |
| Pd) Anderson & Co., A. J.       | 600.00   |          |
| Pd) Burdorf & Co.               | 415.00   |          |
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co.       | 2,000.00 |          |
| Pd) Grainger & Co.              | 187.50   |          |
| Pd) Hubbuch Bros. & Wellendorff | 12.00    |          |
| Pd) Jeunesse, R.                | 125.01   |          |
| Pd) Tyler, Owen                 | 80.00    |          |
| Pd) Vaughn & Son, Sanford       | 385.94   | 3,813.25 |

TOTAL VOUCHERS FOR MARCH 11,552.19

Summary of items to be paid:

|                     |          |          |
|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Current Maintenance | 3,558.59 | 3,558.59 |
|---------------------|----------|----------|

Summary of items paid:

|                       |          |          |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|
| Current Maintenance   | 4,180.35 |          |
| Building Construction | 3,813.25 | 7,993.60 |

Total-----\$11,552.19

The trial balance of the treasurer was received and ordered filed.

Upon motion the Board then proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows:

Mayor W. O. Head, President,  
General Bennett H. Young, Vice President,  
Prof. W. H. Bartholomew, Secretary,  
Louisville Trust Co. Treasurer.

Mr. George T. Settle, Librarian, was granted a leave of absence for ten days accompanied with the benediction of the members of the Board.

Adjourned.

Minutes approved.

May 14<sup>th</sup> 1913

Bennett H. Young Pres.  
W. H. Bartholomew Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGULAR MEETING MAY 14th, 1913 at 4 P. M.

Present: Mayor W.O.Head, Gen. Bennett H. Young, G.S.Whittingham, Charles R. Hemphill, Col. J. D. Powers, E. J. O'Brien, Dr. Chester Mayer, Wm. Thalheimer, John J. Davis, Prof. W. H. Bartholomew and George T.Settle, Librarian.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The trial balance of the treasurer was read and ordered to be filed.

The committees for the year, as appointed by the President, were then read by the Secretary and were as follows:

## Executive Committee

Bennett H. Young, Chairman,  
Edward J. O'Brien,  
Thomas A.Barker

## Building Committee

Edward J. O'Brien, Chairman,  
Edgar Y. Mullins,  
John J. Davis,  
William Thalheimer

## Finance Committee

Thomas A. Barker, Chairman,  
Chester Mayer,  
Charles R. Hemphill,  
Edward L. Powell

## Library Committee

Bennett H. Young, Chairman,  
W. H. Bartholomew,  
G.S. Whittingham,  
Joshua D. Powers

The matter presented by the ladies representing various clubs as to the assignment of a special room for the use of the clubs was finally referred to the Library Committee with request that an answer at an early date be given them.

The report of the Library Committee was read and each item therein considered with the following results:

Miss Adelaide F. Evans' resignation was received to take effect August 1st, 1913 and she was allowed a vacation during the month of July with half pay, \$50.

Members of the staff as herein given were granted a ten days' leave of absence to attend the A. L. A. Conference at the Catskill Mountains, June 23d to 28th with pay: Jennie M. Flexner, Caroline Q. Fullerton, Adelaide F. Evans, Bernice W. Bell, Bertha L. Guntermann, Lorraine Norris, Minnie Dearing Miller, George T. Settle.

The following appointments as recommended by the Committee were approved:

Miss Ruth Fisher, Main Circulation Department to succeed Mrs. Minnie Dearing Miller promoted to Branch Librarian at Jefferson Branch.

Miss Alice F. Gilmore, half time Main Circulation and Reference Departments, to put in full time of one assistant. This was allowed when the opening hour was extended to 10 p. m.

Miss Laura M. Fay, Main Children's Room to succeed Miss Mary Gates, resigned.

Miss Elizabeth S. Woodson, Highland Branch, to succeed Miss Maude Schon transferred to Main Children's Room.

Miss Ada K. Sievers as assistant at Jefferson Branch.

Miss Sarah Dreher as assistant at Shelby Park Branch.

Miss Anna Giles Greenaway as assistant at Portland Branch.

In reference to the Moving Picture Show to be inaugurated near Crescent Hill Branch Library the Board decided to take no action because it lies out of their duties and responsibilities.

The case of Miss Kanna Davidson which was submitted to the Executive Committee and approved, was also passed by the Library Committee.

The Secretary was requested to extend to Mrs. John H. Miller, Secretary-Treasurer of the Jefferson Branch Library Site Committee the thanks of the Board for the gifts presented by this

organization; also to extend the thanks of the Board to the Louisville Literature Club, Mrs. John L. Woodbury, Secretary, for the presentation of the bronze bust of Madison Cawein to the Library.

Dr. Hemphill thereupon moved that the report, as a whole, be adopted--which prevailed.

The report of the Building Committee was submitted by Mr. E. J. O'Brien, chairman, with certain recommendations. Upon motion of Dr. Mayer the same was approved and the Committee was authorized to make the changes suggested therein.

Bills for the month were approved:

|                                       |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|
| Albrecht-Heick Hardware Co.           | \$ 1.90  |
| A. L. A. Publishing Board             | 1.18     |
| American Printing House for the Blind | 8.85     |
| Anderson, Miss Margaret S.            | 4.10     |
| Bayly & Co., J. W. E.                 | 37.50    |
| Bland Electric Co.                    | 2.25     |
| Booker and Kinnaird                   | 37.50    |
| Boston Book Co.                       | 7.39     |
| Bowker Co. R. R.                      | 1.66     |
| Burkley & Tierney                     | 37.50    |
| Burroughs Adding Machine Co.          | 2.00     |
| Columbia Carbon Co.                   | 10.20    |
| Cowan & Co., Andrew                   | 10.00    |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                 | 1.50     |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.  | 9.00     |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                     | 160.20   |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                   | 139.60   |
| Dreher, K                             | 9.60     |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                   | 9.00     |
| Evans & Foster                        | 33.80    |
| Fink, Miss H.                         | 23.30    |
| Ford Motor Co.                        | 13.45    |
| Franck, Charles V.                    | 3.75     |
| Franklin Printing Co.                 | 11.50    |
| Jones & Miller Co.                    | 7.50     |
| Kendrick's Sons, Wm.                  | 1.75     |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                | 99.60    |
| Kentucky Electric Co.                 | 5.40     |
| Keramic Studio Publishing Co.         | 3.00     |
| Koehler, Henry                        | 14.70    |
| Lemcke & Buechner                     | 2.91     |
| Lewis Hall Association                | 35.00    |
| Library Bureau                        | 71.10    |
| Lindsey, T. N.                        | 1.50     |
| Louisville Gas Co.                    | 1.88     |
| Louisville Lighting Co.               | 42.30    |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.           | 12.25    |
| Malkan, Henry                         | 1.60     |
| Mayer Printing Co.                    | 2.00     |
| McDevitt-Wilson Bargain Book Shop     | 1.00     |
| Forwarded-----                        | \$880.22 |

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|  | Brought Forward----- | \$              | 880.22          |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.       |                      |                 | 5.85            |
| Morton & Co., John P.                  |                      |                 | 51.61           |
| National Sculpture Society             |                      |                 | 2.00            |
| O'Reilly & Poutch                      |                      |                 | 37.50           |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                |                      |                 | 2.70            |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                   |                      |                 | 3.65            |
| Rand, McNally & Co.                    |                      |                 | 30.00           |
| Robinson-Pettet Co.                    |                      |                 | 4.50            |
| St. Bernard Mining Co.                 |                      |                 | 25.60           |
| Settle, Geo. T. (Order Dept.)          |                      |                 | 9.44            |
| Settle, Geo. T. (Petty Cash)           |                      |                 | 126.53          |
| Southern Elevator Co.                  |                      |                 | 10.80           |
| Standard Printing Co.                  |                      |                 | 7.55            |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.                  |                      |                 | 9.28            |
| Stonestreet & Ford                     |                      |                 | 5.00            |
| Struck Co., Alfred                     |                      |                 | 15.20           |
| Thompson & Co., C. B.                  |                      |                 | 3.50            |
| Vacuum Cleaner Construction Co.        |                      |                 | 5.23            |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                   |                      |                 | 5.00            |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.    |                      |                 | 573.89          |
|  | Total                |                 | <u>1,815.05</u> |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll | \$                   | 100.00          |                 |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian " "      |                      | <u>3,262.85</u> | <u>3,362.85</u> |

CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL-----\$5,177.90

|                                     |                   |                 |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Pd) Erhart, Fred                    | 400.00            |                 |
| Pd) Gott, Fred                      | 22.00             |                 |
| Pd) Louisville Roofing & Supply Co. | 10.00             |                 |
| Pd) Marine Electric Co.             | 197.20            |                 |
| Pd) Neville, Kellner & Co.          | 640.00            |                 |
| Pd) Nolan Bros.                     | 47.50             |                 |
| Pd) Parker, Geo. H.                 | 15.00             |                 |
|                                     | <u>\$1,331.70</u> | <u>1,331.70</u> |

TOTAL VOUCHERS FOR APRIL 6,509.60

|                              |                 |          |
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| Summary of items to be paid: |                 |          |
| Current Maintenance          | <u>1,815.05</u> | 1,815.05 |

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|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Summary of items paid: |                 |                 |
| Current Maintenance    | 3,362.85        |                 |
| Building Construction  | <u>1,331.70</u> | <u>4,694.55</u> |

Total-----\$6,509.60

Col. J. D. Powers submitted the following resolution which was unanimously adopted.

General Young, President of the Polytechnic Society, reported to the Board that a deed conveying to the Louisville Free Public Library all property belonging to the Polytechnic Society had been prepared, duly signed and acknowledged and that delivery would be made about May 26th; or just as soon as the interest due on the mortgage held by the Mutual Life Insurance Co. of New York due June 1st, 1913, had been paid, whereupon Col. Powers moved that Mayor Head as President of the Board of Trus-

tees of the Louisville Free Public Library be authorized and empowered to accept said deed and put the same to record. Motion was duly seconded by Dr. Mayer and passed unanimously.

The Meeting then adjourned.

Minutes approved.

June 11th

W. D. Head Pres.

N. V. Rutherford Sec.



## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting June 11th, 1913 at 4 P. M.

Present: Messrs. J.D. Powers, Wm. Thalheimer, G.S. Whittingham, Dr. E. Y. Mullins, Dr. Chester Mayer, Dr. E.L. Powell, Thomas A. Barker, Prof. W. H. Bartholomew, Dr. Chas. R. Hemphill and Geo. T. Settle Libn.

Upon motion Dr. E. Y. Mullins was chosen president pro tempore.

Mr. Barker moved that the deed conveying the property of the Louisville Public Library through its president, General Bennett H. Young, to the Louisville Free Public Library be accepted.

Dr. Hemphill moved that General Young's letter transferring the property of the Louisville Public Library to the Louisville Free Public Library be recorded in the minutes together with the deed thereof and that Dr. Mayer and Prof. Bartholomew be requested to answer the same in behalf of the Board;

May 31st, 1913.

Hon. W. O. Head,  
Mayor of Louisville, Ky.  
My Dear Sir:-

On the 24th. of May I called at your office twice for the purpose of delivering you a deed from the Louisville Public Library to the Board of Trustees of Louisville Free Public Library for certain property belonging to the Louisville Public Library. This deed bears date May 13, 1913.

I am also handing you a report of the Treasurer of the Louisville Public Library showing the receipts from April 1, 1912 to May 22, 1913. I am also handing you a check to the Louisville Trust Company, Treasurer of the Louisville Free Public Library for \$2,766.11. This closes out the accounts of the Louisville Public Library and hereafter the rents of the building on Fourth Street occupied by Kaufman-Straus Co. of \$3,000 per month can be collected by the Treasurer of the Louisville Free Public Library.

In turning over this property which with the personal property was valued at more than \$600,000, the Louisville Public Library feels it has done very great service to the Louisville Free Public Library and has made possible the magnificent success of the Louisville Free Public Library.

I remain,

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Bennett H. Young.  
President, Louisville Public Library.

THIS DEED between Louisville Public Library, a corporation organized under the laws of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, party of the first part, and BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY, a corporation, created by the laws of said Commonwealth, party of the second part:

WITNESSETH, that whereas on February 28th, 1913, at a meeting of the members of said first party, duly called, and held in Louisville, Kentucky, the following resolution was adopted, viz:

"WHEREAS, it has been decided by the Court of Appeals of Kentucky, in its opinion in the case of Commonwealth of Kentucky vs Louisville Public Library, in 151 Kentucky Reports, 420, that the effect of the contract entered into on November 1st, 1904, between the Louisville Public Library and the Louisville Free Public Library, was to vest the latter corporation with the equitable title and beneficial ownership of all of the property, real and personal, of this corporation, rendering this corporation in effect of trustee of a dry or passive trust for the benefit of the said Louisville Free Public Library, which it might terminate at will by requiring the transfer to it of the legal title to said property,

"AND WHEREAS, it is considered by the members of this corporation that the objects for which it was created can best be promoted by transferring all its property of every kind to said Louisville Free Public Library, to be used and administered by it in the furthering of its objects, viz: the furnishing of the people of Louisville with a free public library, without retaining any title to, or control over said property in any manner, and such transfer and conveyance is now desired and requested by said Louisville Free Public Library.

"AND WHEREAS, since the date of said contract, this corporation has mortgaged its real estate in Louisville, Kentucky, to the Mutual Life Insurance Company, of New York, by mortgage dated June 24th, 1907, and recorded in Deed Book 661, page 442, in the Jefferson County Court Clerk's Office, to secure the payment of its obligation to said Company for Three Hundred and Ten Thousand Dollars (\$310,000.00), payable July 1st, 1912, with interest at the rate of five percent per annum, payable semi-annually, all of the proceeds of said mortgage loan, save the amount applied to the satisfaction of previously existing mortgages upon said property, having been turned over to and used by the said Louisville Free Public Library, and said mortgage having recently been extended for a further period of five years, until July 1st, 1917, by agreement of said mortgage, this corporation and said Louisville Free Public Library.

"RESOLVED, therefore, that the President and Secretary in the name and on behalf of this corporation execute and deliver to said Louisville Free Public Library a deed conveying to it all of the property of the corporation, of every kind, including its real estate, as aforesaid, such conveyance being expressly subject to the encumbrance of said mortgage, and said officers are further authorized and directed to make such other transfers or delivery and to do all further acts to carry into effect the objects and intent of this resolution."

AND WHEREAS such action was approved and ratified by the Executive Council of the Louisville Public Library,

NOW, in consideration of the premises, and for the purposes set out in said resolution, said party of the first part hereby sells, grants and conveys unto the party of the second part, in fee simple, with covenant of GENERAL WARRANTY, and subject to the mortgage to the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, above men-

tioned, the following described real estate and personal property in Louisville, Kentucky, viz:

A lot beginning on the East side of Fourth Street, two hundred and eighty-two (282) feet ten (10) inches South of Green Street; thence running Southwardly along the East side of Fourth Street, one hundred and thirty-seven (137) feet and three-fourths ( $\frac{3}{4}$ ) of an inch, more or less, and extending back Eastwardly, of that width throughout, two hundred (200) feet to an alley, the Northern line being parallel with Green Street, and the Southern line being identical with the Northern line of the lot formerly owned by Samuel B. Thomas, and conveyed by the Commissioner of the Jefferson Circuit Court to John Bacon by deed dated October 21st, 1903, and recorded in Deed Book 600, page 46, in the Jefferson County Court Clerk's Office, the property herein conveyed being part of that conveyed to the first party herein (formerly the Polytechnic Society of Kentucky) by deed of the Public Library of Kentucky, dated May 22nd, 1878, and recorded in Deed Book 217, page 609, in the Office aforesaid.

Together with all books, pamphlets, pictures, statuary, and other personal property of every kind and description belonging to said first party, and which are now in the possession of said second party, and contained in its library building on York Street in Louisville, Kentucky.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the said first party, by Bennett H. Young, its President, has hereto signed its name and affixed its corporate seal, which was attested by its Secretary, this 13th day of May, 1913.

LOUISVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY,

(Signed) By Bennett H. Young,  
President.

LOUISVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

(Signed) By Thos. B. Crutcher  
Secretary.

SEAL

ACKNOWLEDGED BY

(Signed) Bennett H. Young,  
as Prest.  
May 13, 1913  
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(Signed) Attest: P. S. Ray, Clerk  
By J. W. Ward, D.C.

Dr. Mayer moved, seconded by Dr. Powell, that the treasurer's report of the Louisville Public Library be referred to the Finance Committee.

Dr. Powell moved that the claim presented by Mr. James A. Hagan be not allowed inasmuch as he did not conform to the agreement made with the Building Committee of this Board.

The treasurer's report was read by Mr. Barker, chairman of the Finance Committee, and upon motion of Dr. Hemphill the same was received and ordered filed.

Inasmuch as the Building Committee had no quorum Mr. Thainheimer, a member of the said Committee, referred the bids for providing furniture for the Portland Branch Library to the Board for action, and announced that the lowest bid (Library Bureau, Chicago, Ill.) was \$1,317. The same was, upon motion, unanimously approved.

The report of the Library Committee was then considered.

The item permitting the Colored Branch Library to have a booth at the Carnival for Colored People at the Armory, May 26th-29th, was granted with the understanding that the expense would not exceed \$10.

The matter of thoroughly overhauling and cleaning the articles in the Museum was taken up and upon motion of Mr. Barker the sum of \$30. <sup>per month</sup> for a period of two months was allowed for that purpose.

The employment of an architect to draw plans and specifications and receive itemized bids on work necessary to arrange the attic and put it in condition for art exhibitions, and also to take care of other changes in the building suggested by the Librarian for better library service was, upon motion of Mr. Barker, referred to the Building Committee with power to act.

Dr. Hemphill then moved that the report of the Committee, as a whole, be adopted.

The bills for the month were read and ordered paid:

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| Albrecht-Heick Hardware Co.                  | 3.35          |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                        | 1.85          |
| Anderson, Miss Margaret S.                   | 1.84          |
| Arctic Ice Co.                               | 2.85          |
| Associated Photo Co.                         | 3.00          |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.                  | 10.25         |
| Boston Book Co.                              | 29.50         |
| Buckley, R. G.                               | 3.05          |
| Bush-Krebs Co.                               | 4.20          |
| Caron Directory Co.                          | 77.80         |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                        | 1.55          |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.         | 9.00          |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                            | 212.67        |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                          | 210.06        |
| Doherty, Wm. B.                              | 6.00          |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                          | 4.59          |
| Evans & Foster                               | 15.15         |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                          | 2.00          |
| Ford Motor Co.                               | 18.35         |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                        | 2.50          |
| Graham Lumber Co., S. P.                     | 3.10          |
| Houghton Mifflin Co.                         | 1.75          |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                           | 1.00          |
| Kendrick's Sons, Wm.                         | 1.75          |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                       | 245.80        |
| Kentucky Electric Co.                        | 5.04          |
| Kentucky Paper Box Co.                       | 11.50         |
| Lemcke & Buechner                            | 4.21          |
| Lewis Hall Association                       | 35.00         |
| Library Bureau                               | 188.00        |
| Library of Congress                          | 50.00         |
| Lockwood, Miss Mary S.                       | 5.50          |
| Louisville Gas. Co.                          | 4.58          |
| Louisville Lighting Co.                      | 2.10          |
| Louisville Lighting Co.                      | 37.35         |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                  | 12.25         |
| Matlack Co., Claude C.                       | 2.00          |
| Mayes Printing Co.                           | 75.25         |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.             | 4.80          |
| Milton, W. A.                                | 25.50         |
| Morton, & Co., John P.                       | 190.25        |
| Nolan Bros.                                  | 1.75          |
| National American Woman Suffrage Association | 1.00          |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                          | 18.60         |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                     | 11.75         |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian, Order Dept.       | 14.37         |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian, Petty Cash        | 109.87        |
| Slaughter, T. Grant                          | 62.50         |
| Southern Elevator Co.                        | 4.00          |
| Stechert & Co.                               | 13.42         |
| Stewart Dry Goods Co.                        | 19.50         |
| Van Dort Co., G. Broes.                      | 75.65         |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                         | 5.00          |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.          | 497.21        |
| Wellman, W.                                  | 3.00          |
| Wellman Bros. Co.                            | 5.50          |
| Wilson Co., H.W.                             | 3.00          |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                           | 5.00          |
|  | <u>2377.4</u> |

Brought Forward-----\$2377.41

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| Pd) Campbell & Sons, B. J.    | 7.35                      |                 |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian | <u>3180.70</u>            | <u>3188.05</u>  |
|                               | Current Maintenance Total | <u>5565.46</u>  |
|                               |                           |                 |
| Pd) Alt & Gnau                | 1250.00                   |                 |
| Pd) Anderson & Co., A. J.     | 300.00                    |                 |
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co.     | 3000.00                   |                 |
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co.     | 1000.00                   |                 |
| Pd) Parker, Geo. H.           | 67.00                     |                 |
| Pd) Parker, Geo. H.           | 15.00                     |                 |
| Pd) Tyler, Owne               | <u>24.00</u>              | <u>5656.00</u>  |
|                               | Total vouchers for May    | <u>11221.46</u> |
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| Summary of items to be paid:  |                           |                 |
| Current Maintenance           | <u>2377.41</u>            | 2377.41         |
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| Summary of items paid:        |                           |                 |
| Current Maintenance           | 3188.05                   |                 |
| Building Construction         | <u>5656.00</u>            | <u>8844.05</u>  |
|                               | TOTAL                     | 11221.46        |

Prof. Bartholomew moved that the Librarian be allowed his expenses while in attendance at the A. L.A. The same was unani- mously approved.

The meeting then adjourned.

Minutes approved.

June 25<sup>d</sup>

E. Y. Mullins Pres.

W. H. Bartholomew Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Special Meeting June 19th at 4 P. M.

Present: Messrs. Thalheimer, O'Brien, Powell, Hemphill, Mullins  
Whittingham, Davis, Mayer, Bartholomew and Settle.

Upon motion Dr. Mullins was chosen president pro tempore.

The meeting had been called to consider a proposition which was  
made by Kaufman-Straus Co. relative to changes and improvements that  
they proposed to do, at their own expense, on the public library  
building.

Mr. Bartholomew moved, seconded by Mr. Whittingham that the pro-  
position of Kaufman-Straus Co. be referred to the Building Committee  
with power to act-which was carried.

Adjourned.

Minutes approved

June 25th

E. J. Mullins Pres.  
R. N. Bartholomew Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Special Meeting June 25th, 1913 at 4 P. M.

Present: Messrs. Mullins, Thalheimer, Barker, O'Brien, Mayer, Whittingham, Powell, and Bartholomew.

Mr. Bartholomew moved that Dr. Mullins take the chair.

The meeting had been called to take action on the report of the Building Committee relative to changes and improvements on the public library building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Co.

The points submitted by the Building Committee for the erection, by Kaufman-Straus Co., of an addition to the public library building on Fourth Avenue between Green and Walnut Streets, are as follows:

WHEREAS in the erection of the building known as the Polytechnic Building and now occupied by Kaufman-Straus Company, said property being known as 431, 433, 435, & 437 South Fourth Street, Louisville, Kentucky, air or light areas about seventeen (17) feet in width and sixty (60) feet in length were left on the North and South sides of said building, and whereas Kaufman-Straus Company requests this Board to grant it permission to excavate said areas to a depth on a level with the present basement and to build walls on the North and South sides of said areas two stories in height in order that they may increase their floor space. Said contemplated improvements being more fully shown by sketch hereto attached and made a part hereof.

AND, WHEREAS, in the request the said Kaufman-Straus Company states that it will bear all of the expenses incidental to or connected in any way with said improvements. And whereas, this Board consents that said improvements may be made upon the conditions hereinafter set forth, provided:-

1st. That an architect to be employed by the Building Committee shall state in writing the advisability of such improvements.

2nd. The consent of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, Mortgagee, and the Fire Insurance Companies holding policies on said building must be obtained.

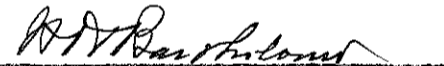
(a) If the architect employed by the Building Committee advises that such work can be done without any detriment to the building and the Mutual Life Insurance Company and Fire Insurance Companies consent thereto, Kaufman-Straus Company shall enter into an agreement to protect and hold harmless the Library from any and all loss or



expenses incidental to said improvements.

- (b) Said Kaufman-Straus Company shall execute bond with good and sufficient security to protect the Library against any loss by reason of said improvements.
- (c) Said Kaufman-Straus Company shall also execute a bond to protect and hold harmless the Library from any loss on account of any damage to any adjacent property by reason of excavation or from any other cause and shall fully protect the said Library against any and all claims for damages that may arise in any manner from or on account of said work.
- (d) All of the provisions of the present lease shall apply to the new portions of the building so erected.
- (e) When the improvements are erected they shall become the property of the Library and the Kaufman-Straus Company shall have no claim of any character on said building or any part thereof for said improvements or any part thereof.
- (f) Any and all work shall be done under the supervision of the Building Committee of this Library and the Committee shall have the right to inspect said work at any and all times and to designate the manner in which it shall be finished.
- (g) Any expenses incidental to the employment of architects to inspect said building or any expenses incurred by the Building Committee incidental to said work shall be borne by Kaufman-Straus Company.

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ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS OF PROPOSED CONTRACT BETWEEN  
LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY AND KAUFMAN-STRAUS COMPANY.

It is agreed that the present sprinkling system for protection against fire shall be extended to cover the proposed addition to the building, and should there be any increase in the rate of insurance on the property, occasioned by the erection of the proposed addition to the building, Kaufman-Straus Company shall pay the increase.

It is agreed that Kaufman-Straus Company shall keep the roof on said proposed addition in repair during the term of the lease.

It is agreed that at the expiration of the present lease, should Kaufman-Straus Company exercise their option to renew the lease upon a revaluation of the property, the proposed addition shall be considered as part of the premises in estimating the value upon such revaluation.

All the points in the additional proposition were agreed to, except that referring to revaluation.

Mr. Barker moved that the proposition of revaluation be approved, which was unanimously carried.

The meeting then adjourned.

Minutes approved.

July 9th.

James H. [unclear] Pres.

[unclear] Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting July 9th, 1913 at 4 P. M.

Present: Messrs. Young, Thalheimer, Hemphill, Mayer, Barker, Powers, Davis, Whittingham, Bartholomew and Settle.

Minutes of the regular and called meetings approved.

Treasurer's report read and ordered to be filed.

The report to the Library Committee recommending that the salary of Miss Maywood Wigginton be fixed at \$100. per month, was, upon motion of Dr. Mayer seconded by Mr. Thalheimer, unanimously approved.

Mr. Davis moved that Misses Ruth Fisher and Anna Giles Greenaway who received their appointments May 14th, but who have done substitute work in the Library for more than a year before this date, be granted two weeks leave of absence with pay, which was recommended by the Library Committee and the Librarian.

Mr. Davis also moved that Miss Grace Tabb be granted five months leave of absence to begin Aug. 25th without pay. Approved.

The report of the Librarian<sup>m</sup> showing a decided increase in all the departments was read and ordered filed.

Bills and vouchers for the month were read and ordered paid.

Mr. Barker moved, seconded by Mr. Thalheimer, that whereas the trustees heretofore advanced to Miss Kanna Davidson, Acting Librarian Portland Branch Library, the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.) to enable her to defray expenses of surgical operation and also authorize payment of monthly salary during her illness, and whereas Miss Davidson died in latter part of June 1913 and before delivery to her of salary check for that month, Now, therefore, Be it Resolved that check for salary be cancelled and that the indebtedness of Miss Davidson be cancelled.

## List of Vouchers follows:

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| Albrecht Heick Hardware Co.            | \$ 5.20 |
| American Bible Society                 | 7.00    |
| A. I. A. Publishing Board              | 2.70    |
| American Printing House for the Blind  | 14.88   |
| Arabol Mfg. Co.                        | 4.80    |
| Arctic Ice Co.                         | 2.95    |
| Badger, Richard G.                     | 4.05    |
| Belknap Hdw. & Mfg. Co.                | 8.75    |
| Bruder, Victor W.                      | 1.75    |
| Bywater Bros.                          | 10.00   |
| Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh         | 2.00    |
| Caron Directory Co.                    | 3.20    |
| Carrell-Rogers Co.                     | 19.50   |
| T K. Cartmell                          | 5.34    |
| Crehore, Wm. W.                        | 1.00    |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                  | 1.50    |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.                     | 21.00   |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co. | 24.34   |
| Dearing, Chas, T                       | 594.45  |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                    | 939.81  |
| Dodd, Mead & Co.                       | 4.05    |
| Dow Wire & Iron Works                  | 55.15   |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                    | 8.44    |
| Electric Shop                          | 5.50    |
| Evening Post                           | 6.00    |
| Fetter, Co., Geo. G.                   | 5.00    |
| Ford Motor Co.                         | 13.30   |
| Franklin Printing Co.                  | 5.75    |
| Gaylord Bros.                          | 10.50   |
| Harrington, Mrs. G. W.                 | 26.40   |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff            | 23.20   |
| Kaufman-Straus Co,                     | 2.55    |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                 | 527.00  |
| Kentucky Educational Co.               | 1.00    |
| Kentucky Electric Co.                  | 4.80    |
| Koehler, Henry                         | 14.70   |
| Koehler Mfg. Co., Henry L.             | 21.11   |
| Lemcke & Buechner                      | 1.37    |
| Lewis Hall Association                 | 36.50   |
| Library Bureau                         | 87.99   |
| Louisville Courier-Journal Co.         | 5.10    |
| Louisville Gas Co.                     | 2.31    |
| Louisville Herald                      | 3.50    |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.          | 60.00   |
| Louisville Lighting Co.                | 32.00   |
| Louisville Tent & Awning Co.           | 53.00   |
| Louisville Times Co.                   | 5.40    |
| Louisville Title Co.                   | 30.00   |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.            | 12.50   |
| Mayes Printing Co.                     | 57.50   |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                   | 425.32  |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.       | 5.85    |
| Morton & Co., John P.                  | 47.50   |
| National Housing Association           | 2.00    |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                   | 5.85    |
| Pell & Bro., Wm. B.                    | 151.00  |
| Ramsers Sons, Geo.                     | 15.50   |

Forwarded-----\$3,448.86

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|                                     | Brought Forward----- | \$3,448.86 |
| Remington Typewriter Co.            |                      | 5.00       |
| Sanitary Sales Co.                  |                      | 1.25       |
| Settle, Geo. T.                     |                      | 86.45      |
| Settle, Geo. T. (Order Dept)        |                      | 6.89       |
| Settle, Geo. T. (Petty Cash)        |                      | 129.67     |
| Southern Elevator Co.               |                      | 10.40      |
| Standard Printing Co.               |                      | 7.20       |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.               |                      | 3.29       |
| Stewart Dry Goods Co.               |                      | 6.50       |
| Swindler Co., E. F.                 |                      | 8.50       |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                |                      | 5.00       |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. |                      | 137.61     |
| West Disinfecting Co.               |                      | 25.00      |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                   |                      | 10.70      |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                  |                      | 2.45       |

Total \$3,894.77

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| Pd) Norall, Arvid              | 283.00  |            |
| Pd) Norall, Arvid              | 416.00  |            |
| Pd) Jeunessé. R.               | 4.80    |            |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian  | 930.00  |            |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian  | 2495.68 |            |
| Pd) Vaughn & Son, Sanford      | 25.00   |            |
| Pd) Wagner & Sons, J. F.       | 351.00  | 4,505.48   |
| CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL----- |         | \$8,400.25 |

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| Pd) Alt & Gnau                 | 1000.00 |             |
| Pd) Bickel Co., Henry          | 900.00  |             |
| Pd) Collins, Val P.            | 200.00  |             |
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co.      | 1000.00 |             |
| Pd) Imperial Wire & Iron Works | 161.80  |             |
| Pd) Jones & Miller Co.         | 108.00  |             |
| Pd) Parker, Geo. H.            | 6.00    |             |
| Pd) Pell & Bro., Wm. B.        | 53.00   | 3,428.80    |
| TOTAL VOUCHERS FOR JUNE-----   |         | \$11,829.05 |

Summary of items to be paid:  
 Current Maintenance 3894.77 3,894.77

Summary of items paid:  
 Current Maintenance 4505.48  
 Building Construction 3428.80 7,934.28  
 TOTAL----- \$11,829.05

Mr. Barker moved that the Librarian be authorized to spend \$2,000. for the purchase of books for the Eastern Colored Branch Library.

Meeting then adjourned.

Minutes approved.

Aug 22 1923

*Bessie H. Sprague* Pres  
*R. H. Bartholomew* Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Special Meeting Aug. 22, 1913 at 4 p. m.

Present: Messrs. Young, Powers, Mayer, Davis, Whittingham, O'Brien, Bartholomew and Settle.

The meeting had been called to consider matters that should have been acted on at the regular meeting, Aug. 13, deferred on account of absence of a quorum.

The Building Committee reported progress.

The Finance Committee made report in which it was suggested that an expert accountant be appointed by the Vice-President, Gen. Bennett H. Young, to examine the books, which prevailed.

The Finance Committee also suggested that the Librarian be allowed to expend \$1,000. per month for books, until the annual budget is prepared and submitted to the Board.

Mr. Whittingham moved that hereafter the Colored Branch on Tenth and Chestnut Streets should be known as the Western Colored Branch and that on Hancock and Lampton Streets as the Eastern Colored Branch.

Bills for the month were approved and ordered paid.

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| Albrecht-Heick Hardware Co.  | 18.23 |
| American Association for Labor Legislation                                 | 1.00  |
| American Association of Instructors and Investigators in Poultry Husbandry | 1.50  |
| Anderson, Miss Margaret S.   | 1.90  |
| Arctic Ice Co.   | 3.10  |
| Associated Photo Co.   | 8.00  |
| Avery & Co., Samuel L.   | 15.84 |
| Beilstein & Co., J. W.   | 39.55 |
| Belknap Hardware & Manufacturing Co.                                       | 3.70  |
| Booker & Kinnaird  | 39.60 |
| Bowker & Co., R. R.  | 4.00  |
| Breuer & Co.   | 39.60 |
| Buckley & Son, R. G.   | 7.25  |
| Burkley & Tierney  | 51.48 |
| Caron Directory Co.  | 3.00  |
| Carpenter & Dudley   | 39.60 |
| Century Co.  | 53.44 |
| Cowan & Co., Andrew  | 20.30 |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.  | 1.55  |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.   | 3.50  |

Forwarded-----\$356.14

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|   | Brought Forward-----\$ 356.14 |
| Cudahy Packing Co.                      | 10.00                         |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.    | 22.65                         |
| Danforth & Co.                          | 7.92                          |
| Davis & Co., H. V.                      | 7.92                          |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                       | 1,505.55                      |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                     | 1,312.00                      |
| Electric Shop                           | 3.75                          |
| Evans & Foster                          | 5.75                          |
| Finck, Carl H.                          | 4.50                          |
| Ford Motor Co.                          | 15.90                         |
| Franklin Printing Co.                   | 14.25                         |
| German Insurance Co.                    | 39.56                         |
| Gray & Son, J. S.                       | 7.91                          |
| Harper & Bro.                           | 21.60                         |
| Hummel & Meyer                          | 39.60                         |
| Huston, Sam M.                          | 79.20                         |
| Jefferson, Noyes, Embry and Bryan       | 79.10                         |
| Johnson, L. F.                          | 2.00                          |
| Johnson, Chas. Thruston                 | 7.92                          |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                      | 3.20                          |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                  | 533.20                        |
| Koehler Mfg. Co., Henry L.              | 8.35                          |
| Lang, Chas. A.                          | 79.20                         |
| Lang, Henry H.                          | 79.20                         |
| Lewis Hall Association                  | 36.50                         |
| Library Bureau                          | 6.50                          |
| Louisville Carriage & Taxicab Co.       | 9.00                          |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.           | 35.15                         |
| Louisville Interior Decorating Co.      | 113.50                        |
| Louisville Paper Co.                    | 9.50                          |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.             | 12.25                         |
| McAtee & Co., A. H.                     | 79.20                         |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                    | 175.71                        |
| Walkan, Henry                           | 72.00                         |
| Mann, Owen R.                           | 27.00                         |
| Mayes Printing Co.                      | 34.50                         |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.        | 7.75                          |
| Milton, W. A.                           | 10.40                         |
| Morton & Co., John P.                   | 102.20                        |
| New Era Publishing Co.                  | 16.50                         |
| O'Reilly & Poutch                       | 7.92                          |
| Ouerbacker-Gilmore Co.                  | 4.00                          |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                 | 4.42                          |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                    | 6.05                          |
| Pell & Bro., Wm. B.                     | 277.00                        |
| Pirtle & Co., Alfred                    | 47.25                         |
| Reutlinger & Stith                      | 22.50                         |
| Rothert, Otto A.                        | 5.00                          |
| Settle, Geo. T. (Order Dept)            | 35.00                         |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian, (Petty Cash) | 135.66                        |
| Slaughter & Co., J. B.                  | 31.20                         |
| Southern Elevator Co.                   | 14.80                         |
| Standard Printing Co.                   | 12.25                         |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.                   | 5.46                          |
| Stone & Gnau                            | 15.84                         |
| Struck Co., Alfred                      | 6.75                          |
| Tachau, Emil S.                         | 79.20                         |
| Veeneman, Mrs. I. J.                    | 5.00                          |
| Viglioni & Co., P.                      | 79.14                         |
| Walker & Co., William                   | 3.00                          |

Forwarded-----\$5,791.47

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|                                     | Brought Forward-----           | \$5,791.47      |
| Wanner & Co., Julius                |                                | 79.20           |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                  |                                | 3.35            |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. |                                | 133.73          |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.,        |                                | <u>3.00</u>     |
|                                     |                                | \$6,010.75      |
| Pd) Grainger & Co.                  | 110.00                         |                 |
| Pd) Holstner & Sons Co.             | 244.00                         |                 |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian       | <u>3,320.30</u>                | <u>3,674.30</u> |
|                                     | CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL----- | \$9,685.05      |
| Pd) Alt & Gnau                      | 1,500.00                       |                 |
| Pd) Pell & Bro., Wm. B.             | <u>275.00</u>                  | <u>1,775.00</u> |
|                                     | TOTAL VOUCHERS FOR JULY-----   | \$11,460.05     |
| Summary of items to be paid         |                                |                 |
| Current Maintenance                 | <u>6,010.75</u>                | 6,010.75        |
| Summary of items paid:              |                                |                 |
| Current Maintenance                 | 3,674.30                       |                 |
| Building Construction               | <u>1,775.00</u>                | <u>5,449.30</u> |
|                                     | TOTAL-----                     | \$11,460.05     |

Dr. Chester Mayer moved that the Board should not allow the claim of Mr. Hagan except the cost of recording the deeds which prevailed.

The Board then adjourned.

Minutes approved.

Sept 10, 1913

James H. Jones Pres.  
W. H. Bartholomew Sec.



## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting September 10, 1913 at 4 P. M.

Present: Messrs. Head, Young, O'Brien, Powell, Thalheimer, Mayer, Whittingham, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The annual report of the Board on motion of Dr. Powell was received and the Librarian was instructed to have the usual number of copies printed which prevailed.

The treasurer's trial balance was received and ordered filed.

Gen. Young moved that the Treasurer be authorized to borrow sufficient funds to pay current expenses until the budget for 1913-1914 is prepared and adopted.

The Building Committee's report upon motion of Gen. Young was received and ordered filed.

Mr. Bartholomew moved that the thanks of the Board be hereby extended to the Building Committee for its splendid work which was carried.

The recommendation of the Library Committee that the Main Library be open from 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and that the branch libraries be open from 2 to 9 p.m. for the circulation of books for home use and reading and reference each day of the year except Sundays, Christmas Day and the seven holidays was approved upon motion of Dr. Powell.

The recommendation of the Library Committee that the Main Library be open from 2 to 9:30 p.m. and the branch libraries from 2 to 9 p.m. for reading and reference only on the 52 Sundays of the year and that all buildings be closed all day Christmas was approved upon motion of Dr. Powell.

The recommendation of the Library Committee that the Main Library be open from 2 to 9:30 p.m. and that the branch libraries be open from 2 to 9 p.m. on the seven holidays of the year, Labor Day, Columbus Day,

Thanksgiving Day, New Year's Day, Washington's Birthday, Decoration Day and Fourth of July for circulation of books for home use and reading and reference was approved upon motion of Dr. Mayer.

The recommendation of the Library Committee that a page or janitor be placed at the entrance Main Library from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. to receive any books that might be delivered before the library is opened was approved upon motion of Dr. Powell.

The recommendation of the Library Committee that Ada K. Sievers assistant at Jefferson Branch Library, be given temporary charge of the Portland Branch Library at a salary of \$50. per month was approved upon motion of Dr. Mayer.

The recommendations of the Library Committee, first, that T. F. Blue be given charge of the Eastern Colored Branch in connection with the Western Colored Branch, second, that Rachel D. Harris be transferred to the Eastern Colored Branch as Senior Assistant at a salary of \$55. per month, third, that Elizabeth I. Finney be promoted to Senior Assistant at the Western Colored Branch at a salary of \$50. per month, and fourth, that Jane J. Simpson be appointed assistant at the Western Colored Branch at a salary of \$30. per month were approved upon motion of Dr. Powell. The Library Committee stated that an additional assistant for the Eastern Colored Branch would be selected later.

The recommendation of the Library Committee that Marguerite Seeley be made assistant to the Head of the Catalog Department at a salary of \$55. per month was upon motion of Dr. Powell approved.

The recommendation of the Library Committee that Mary J. Burns be appointed to a position in the Bindery Section of the Order Department at a salary of \$35. per month was, upon motion of Mr. E. J. O'Brien, approved.

Dr. Powell moved that the Librarian's recommendation that the

books for the use of the blind be placed on shelves in the stack room until other arrangements can be made should be approved which was carried.

Gen. Young moved that the bill for electric fans for use in the Main Building be allowed which was carried. The purchase of these fans had been authorized by the Executive Committee.

The other bills as reported were then ordered paid:

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Albrecht-Heick Hardware Co.            | 5.05   |
| American Printing House for the Blind  | 28.50  |
| American Prison Association            | 1.50   |
| Anderson, Miss Margaret S.             | 3.40   |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                  | 25.95  |
| Annual Review Publishing Co.           | 3.80   |
| Arctic Ice Co.                         | 3.10   |
| Buckley & Son, R. G.                   | 3.10   |
| Cowan & Co., Andrew                    | 22.00  |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                  | 1.55   |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.   | 19.65  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                      | 311.29 |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                    | 178.64 |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                    | 15.10  |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                    | 2.00   |
| Field Museum of Natural History        | 10.40  |
| Ford Motor Co.                         | 9.35   |
| Herr, Geo. L.                          | 5.00   |
| Himebaugh & Browne                     | 113.00 |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                     | 6.00   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                 | 234.40 |
| Koehler, Henry                         | 15.80  |
| Koehler Mfg. Co., Henry I.             | 3.51   |
| Lewis Hall Association                 | 36.50  |
| Library Bureau                         | 43.75  |
| Library of Congress                    | 100.00 |
| Lindsey, T. N.                         | 4.25   |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.          | 38.80  |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.            | 12.60  |
| Mayes Printing Co.                     | 14.00  |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.       | 7.75   |
| Mississippi Historical Society         | 2.00   |
| Moore, Thos. J.                        | 2.00   |
| Morton & Co., John P.                  | 18.05  |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                   | 4.70   |
| Pell & Bro., Wm. B.                    | 1.50   |
| Rand-McNally & Co.                     | 25.00  |
| Review Publishing Co.                  | 3.75   |
| Richardson & Richardson                | 5.00   |
| Settle, Geo. T. (Order Dept.)          | 1.90   |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian (Petty Cash) | 192.97 |
| Southern Elevator Co.                  | 4.00   |
| Sowards, H. Weldon                     | 1.50   |
| Standard Printing Co.                  | 6.00   |
| Struck Co., Alfred                     | 3.50   |
| Turner & Spencer                       | 100.00 |

Forwarded-----\$1,651.61

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|--|--------------------------------|-----------------|--|
|  | BROUGHT FORWARD-----           | \$1,651.61      |  |
| Vecneman, Mrs. L. J.                   |                                | 5.00            |  |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                     |                                | 25.30           |  |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                     |                                | <u>279.60</u>   |  |
|  |                                | \$1,961.51      |  |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian, PayRoll | <u>3,184.55</u>                | <u>3,184.55</u> |  |
|  | CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL----  | \$5,146.06      |  |
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co.              | <u>1,500.00</u>                | <u>1,500.00</u> |  |
|  | TOTAL VOUCHERS FOR AUGUST----- | \$6,646.06      |  |
| Summary of items to be paid:           |                                |                 |  |
| Current Maintenance                    | <u>1,961.51</u>                | 1,961.51        |  |
| Summary of items paid:                 |                                |                 |  |
| Current Maintenance                    | 3,184.55                       |                 |  |
| Building Construction                  | <u>1,500.00</u>                | <u>4,684.55</u> |  |
|  | TOTAL-----                     | \$6,646.06      |  |

The meeting then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED.

Oct 12 - 1913

W. O. Wood Pres.

R. N. Bartholomew Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Special Meeting October 12, 1913 at 4 P. M.

Present: Messrs. J. D. Powers, John J. Davis, E. L. Powell, Wm. Thalheimer, Thos. A. Barker, Chas. D. Hemphill, G. S. Whittingham, E. J. O'Brien, W. H. Bartholomew and George T. Settle.

Col. J. D. Powers was elected President pro tem.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The communication from Mr. Mitchell and other labor organizations asking to change the time for closing the library from 9:30 to 10 p.m. was received and filed, whereupon Dr. Powell moved that the action taken at the last meeting in reference to the closing hour be reconsidered, which was lost by the following vote:

Yeas: Davis (1)

Nays: Powers, Powell, Barker, Hemphill, O'Brien, Whittingham, Thalheimer, Bartholomew. (8)

The communication from Mr. Wallace A. McKay, chairman of a committee from the people of Birchwood was received, whereupon Mr. Barker moved that the same be referred to the Building Committee-- which prevailed.

The Treasurer's report was read by Mr. Barker and ordered filed.

The report of the Librarian was presented by the Library Committee to the Board with certain recommendations therein. Dr. Hemphill moved that the report be considered item by item which prevailed.

Items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 were read and unanimously concurred in:

- 1) Holidays which fall on Sundays are not to be celebrated on preceding or succeeding days.
- 2) The librarian was authorized to order periodicals amounting to \$2,190.70 in addition to the usual book account.
- 3) Subscriptions to periodicals for the Polytechnic Society are to be discontinued.
- 4) The salary of Jennie M. Flexner as Head of the Circulation Department was increased from \$75. to \$100. per month.

- 5) The salary of Bernice W. Bell as Head of the Children's Department was increased from \$75. to \$100, per month.
- 6) The salary of Sallie T. Berryman, Librarian Crescent Hill Branch, was increased from \$60. to \$65. per month.
- 7) The salary of Jessie E. Taylor, Librarian Parkland Branch, was increased from \$60. to \$65. per month.

Item 8, the recommendation of the librarian to extend library privileges to citizens of the county provided the county authorities appropriate a pro rata of cost for current maintenance was, upon motion, referred to a special committee to confer with the Fiscal Court of Jefferson County to make such arrangements as they deem proper. Col. Powers, presiding, appointed the following committee:

Gen. Bennett H. Young,  
Mr. E. J. O'Brien,  
Mr. Thos. A. Barker.

Dr. Powell moved that the Polytechnic Room be arranged by the Building Committee to be used as a Newspaper and Civics Room which was approved.

The Librarian's recommendation for a change of schedule for salaries for the staff was referred to the Library Committee with instructions to report at the next meeting of the Board.

The bills for the month were read and ordered paid:

|                                      |              |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|
| Albrecht-Heick Hardware Co.          | \$24.90      |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                | 28.79        |
| Anderson, Miss Margaret S.           | 3.50         |
| Arabol Mfg. Co.                      | 4.80         |
| Arctic Ice Co.                       | 3.00         |
| Atlas Coal Co.                       | 52.00        |
| Baldwin Co.                          | 5.00         |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                    | 3.00         |
| Bridges, Smith & Co.                 | 20.10        |
| Buckley & Son, R. G.                 | 3.00         |
| Carter Dry Goods Co.                 | 9.97         |
| Clark Jr. Electric Co., James        | 20.88        |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co. | 25.65        |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                    | 308.67       |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                  | 263.75       |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                  | 6.82         |
| Evans & Foster                       | 33.00        |
| Evening Post Co.                     | 3.75         |
| Egry Register Co.                    | 24.00        |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                  | <u>31.30</u> |

BROUGHT FORWARD-----\$

|                                       |        |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Ford Motor Co.                        | 9.76   |
| Gaylord Bros.                         | 62.70  |
| Harrington, Mrs. G. W.                | 27.50  |
| Home Correspondence School            | 2.25   |
| Houghton, Mifflin Co.                 | 1.75   |
| Hunting Co., H. R.                    | 31.78  |
| International Textbook Co.            | 32.69  |
| James, U. P.                          | 1.25   |
| Jewish Publication Society of America | 3.00   |
| Jones & Miller Co.                    | 10.50  |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                | 228.60 |
| Lane Co., John                        | 1.74   |
| Lemcke & Buechner                     | 3.85   |
| Lewis Hall Association                | 36.00  |
| Louisville Courier-Journal Co.        | 5.10   |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.         | 45.10  |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.         | 52.25  |
| Louisville Paper Co.                  | 7.00   |
| Louisville Times Co.                  | 5.40   |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.           | 12.25  |
| Luce & Co., John W.                   | 1.25   |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                  | 80.26  |
| Mann, Owen R.                         | 20.52  |
| Menne Factory, Frank A.               | 2.10   |
| Merchants Ice & Col Storage Co.       | 7.50   |
| Morton & Co., John P.                 | 76.55  |
| Norall, Arvid                         | 18.00  |
| Pergande, Frank                       | 5.00   |
| Poor's Railroad Manual Co.            | 7.50   |
| Remington Typewriter Co.              | 3.50   |
| Robinson-Pettit Co.                   | 4.00   |
| Settle, Geo. T. (Order Dept.)         | 8.66   |
| Settle, Geo. T. (Petty Cash)          | 140.95 |
| Southern Elevator Co.                 | 4.00   |
| Standard Printing Co.                 | 20.05  |
| Struck Co., Alfred                    | 13.64  |
| Tippett, Alex W.                      | 65.65  |
| Todd & Co., J. M.                     | 79.12  |
| Utley, Geo. B.                        | 1.65   |
| Veeneman, Mrs. I. J.                  | 5.00   |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                    | 2.30   |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.   | 144.75 |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.           | 3.00   |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                    | 28.42  |
| Zapp & Short Co.                      | 10.70  |

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|--|-------------------|
|  | <u>\$2,210.42</u> |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll | \$3,194.65        |
|  | <u>3,194.65</u>   |

CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL-----\$5,405.07

|                                       |                 |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Pd) Alt & Gnau, Building Construction | 2,000.00        |
| Pd) Alt & Gnau, " "                   | 1,500.00        |
| Pd) Bickel Henry., Co.                | 113.75          |
|                                       | <u>3,613.75</u> |

TOTAL VOUCHERS FOR SEPTEMBER-----\$9,018.82

Summary of items to be paid:  
Current Maintenance 2,210.42 2,210.42

Summary of items paid:  
Current Maintenance 3,194.65  
Building Construction 3,613.75 6,808.40

TOTAL-----\$9,018.82

The meeting then adjourned.

*C. R. Hendrix* Pres.  
*R. W. [Signature]* Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting November 12, 1913 at 4 P. M.

Present: Messrs. Head, Whittingham, Powell, Barker, Thalheimer, O'Brien, Hemphill, Mayer, Bartholomew and Settle, Librarian. Col. Powers was present at the meeting of the Library Committee but because of an urgent engagement had to leave.

Dr. Hemphill was chosen president pro tem.

Dr. Powell moved that the committee of ladies (Miss Emelia Yunker, Mrs. John H. Miller, Mrs. George W. Grant, Mrs. Pinkney Varble, Mrs. Geo. H. Webb, Mrs. John A. Stratton) representing the Outdoor Art League be given an audience at this time which unanimously prevailed. The committee was represented by Miss Emelia Yunker who stated to the Board that it was the desire of the Outdoor Art League to beautify the grounds of the library with the co-operation of the Board. Miss Yunker stated that the Park Commissioners would furnish trees which would be placed without cost to the library, and that they would place shrubs cost of which would be about \$100. Dr. Powell moved, seconded by Mr. Barker, that the ladies of the Outdoor Art League be allowed \$100. to carry out their suggestions in decorating the lawn with trees, shrubs, etc. provided the work is done under the direction of the Building Committee which unanimously prevailed.

The Treasurer's report was received and ordered filed.

The report of the Library Committee was considered and the recommendations therein approved.

The request of the Alumnae Club of the Girls' High School through Miss Miles Batman, that a room be set aside for the storage and distribution of books belonging to them was not granted because of the lack of room in any of the buildings.

The request of the Literature Club through Mrs. John H. Wood-



bury that the bronze bust of Madison Cawein now placed in the second floor corridor be removed to a position in the Reading Room, first floor, was not granted because of certain contemplated changes in the library building.

Miss Mary C. Schroeder's offer to loan a painting by J. H. Schroeder to the library was declined because of a lack of wall space.

Miss Marie Maloney was appointed to a position in the Circulation Department to succeed Miss Doyle, whose resignation was accepted.

The Librarian's recommendation for a new schedule of salaries, approved by the Library Committee, was adopted as the standard for pay and promotion of employees in the library:

Assistant

|                                  |  |   |
|----------------------------------|--|---|
| Third Grade                      | { First yr. (1st 6 mo. \$30.<br>2nd 6 mo. 35.  |   |
|                                  | { Second " 40.   |   |
| Second Grade                     | Third " 45.  |   |
| " "                              | Fourth " 50.   |   |
| First "                          | \$55. to \$60.)  | Upon rec. of heads of depts.                                |
| Branch Librarians                | \$60. to \$75.)  | ( to Libn; Librarian to Lib. Committee for recom. to Board. |
| Secretary and steno-graphic work | \$40. to \$65.   |   |
| Bindery Work                     | \$35. to \$42.50   | - see page 244.   |
| Pages                            | { First yr. 1st 6 mo. \$15.<br>2nd 6 mo. 16.<br>Second " 1st 6 mo. 17.<br>2nd 6 mo. 18.<br>Third " 20. |   |

Mayor Head stated that the library should receive out of city taxes  $3\frac{1}{2}\%$  instead of  $3\frac{1}{4}\%$  as last year. He further stated that he had intended to make this increase himself, last year but because of an extra 2% on furnishing the hospital he was prevented from making the change. He offered to go with a committee to see Mayor Buschemeyer to ask for this increase whereupon Dr. Powell, seconded by Dr. Hemphill moved that a committee of three be appointed of which Mayor Head

should be a member. Mr. O'Brien suggested that the Finance Committee co-operate with Mr. Head in carrying out his suggestion which was approved.

Mr. Barker of the Finance Committee reported the following budget for 1913-14:

| Receipts                         |                  |              |
|----------------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| City Taxes (estimated)           | \$63,978.92      |              |
| Rents                            | 36,000.00        |              |
| Fines and miscellaneous receipts | <u>2,500.00</u>  | \$102,478.92 |
| Expenditures                     |                  |              |
| Expense                          | 5,700.00         |              |
| Light, heat and power            | 6,500.00         |              |
| Furn. and fixtures               | 1,000.00         |              |
| Repair and Imp.                  | <u>7,000.00</u>  |              |
| Pay Roll-Librn. & assts.         | 36,619.50        |              |
| Sundays and holidays             | 1,382.00         |              |
| Janitors, etc.                   | <u>7,000.00</u>  |              |
| Total Pay Roll                   | 45,001.50        |              |
| Insurance                        | 1,300.00         |              |
| Interest on Mortgage             | 15,500.00        |              |
| Payment June 1914-               |                  |              |
| Mortgage                         | <u>5,000.00</u>  |              |
| Total                            | 87,001.50        |              |
| Books                            | <u>15,477.42</u> |              |
| TOTAL-----                       |                  | \$102,478.92 |

This budget was accepted with the understanding that accounts which were over drawn were to be deducted from the book account, and amounts remaining are to be added to the book account;

The committee also recommended that the Current Maintenance bills be paid as the pay roll by one check as outlined by Turner & Spencer, expert accountants, in their report September 1913; also that the Librarian be placed under \$10,000. bond to take care of this account and sign these checks, whereupon Mr. Bartholomew moved, seconded by Mr. O'Brien, that the report of the Committee together with the recommendations be approved which was unanimously passed.

The request of residents of Birchwood Avenue through Mr. Wallace A. McKay that the library turn over Birchwood Avenue to the city,

which was referred to the Building Committee, was reported on by Mr. O'Brien, chairman. The committee recommended that the library decline to accede to the request of the citizens in Birchwood which was approved.

Mr. O'Brien also made a report in reference to the Portland Branch Library which was received and thanks tendered the Building Committee for their efficient work.

Mr. O'Brien reported that the following repairs and improvements suggested by D. X. Murphy & Bro. in their communication of September 10, 1913 were recommended by the Building Committee and included the following items:

|  |             |
|--|-------------|
| Change roof, gutters and down spouts,  | \$3,566.    |
| New sewer connection to take water from roof                                   | 885.        |
| Change toilets on second floor   | 250.        |
| Change toilets in basement   | 1,500.      |
| Arrange Polytechnic Room for Newspaper Room                                    | 350.        |
| Change present Newspaper Room and basement corridor to use for Museum purposes | 425.        |
|  | <u>425.</u> |
|  | \$6,976.    |

Dr. Mullins' resolution that the Board appropriate \$7,000. for repairs to be included in the budget for 1913-14 was, upon motion of Dr. Powell, approved. No action was taken upon the latter part of Dr. Mullins' resolution which read as follows:

"The committee declines to recommend any appropriation included in budget for contemplated improvements in changing attic into an Art Room, but this committee (Building Committee) realizing the importance of such an improvement, recommends that the Board consider some method of raising sufficient funds".

The Librarian's report for the month was ordered filed.

Bills for the month were read and allowed:

|                                       |                       |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Albrecht-Heick Hardware Co.           | \$2.65                |
| American Book & Magazine Exchange Co. | 2.00                  |
| American Printing House for the Blind | 10.38                 |
| American Vigilance Association        | 1.00                  |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                 | 11.77                 |
| Arctic Ice Co.                        | 2.05                  |
| Baptist Book Concern                  | <u>5.00</u>           |
|                                       | Forwarded-----\$35.75 |

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|--|---------|
| Brought Forward-----\$                     | 35.75   |
| Beilstein & Co., J.W.                      | 7.91    |
| Belknap Hdw. & Mfg. Co.                    | 1.54    |
| Bloom, Levi                                | 7.92    |
| Boston Book Co.                            | 1.62    |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                          | 5.00    |
| Carter Dry Goods Co.                       | 2.43    |
| Clark Jr. Electric Co., James              | 2.10    |
| Clegg & Co., F. A.                         | 52.35   |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                      | 3.05    |
| Crozier, Administratrix, Laura K.          | 10.00   |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.       | 22.65   |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                          | 999.87  |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                        | 1022.80 |
| Duffield & Co.                             | 1.24    |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                        | 7.65    |
| Evans & Foster                             | 33.25   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                        | 6.00    |
| Ford Motor Co.                             | 4.91    |
| Hahn Publishing Co.                        | 3.00    |
| Houghton Mifflin Co.                       | 3.91    |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff                | 1.20    |
| Hunting Co., H. R.                         | 2.54    |
| Jones & Miller                             | 1.30    |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                         | 1.85    |
| Kendrick's Sons, Wm.                       | 1.25    |
| Kentucky & Louisville Mutual Insurance Co. | 34.44   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                     | 540.80  |
| Koehler, Henry                             | 5.50    |
| Lemcke & Buechner                          | 25.46   |
| Lewis Hall Association                     | 35.00   |
| Library Bureau                             | 10.00   |
| Lockwood, Mary S.                          | 5.50    |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.              | 106.73  |
| Louisville Herald                          | 4.00    |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.              | 9.00    |
| Louisville Paper Co.                       | 8.40    |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                | 12.25   |
| Matlack Co., Claude C.                     | 8.10    |
| McAllister Publishing Co.                  | 5.00    |
| McClurg & Co., A.C.                        | 45.41   |
| Menne Factory, Frank A.                    | 4.08    |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.           | 7.40    |
| Moroney's Merger                           | 1.48    |
| Morton & Co., John P.                      | 140.30  |
| Mumford, A. W.                             | 4.84    |
| National Child Labor Committee             | 2.00    |
| National Municipal League                  | 5.00    |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                       | 2.60    |
| Publisher's Weekly                         | 1.30    |
| Pamser's Sons, Geo.                        | 74.60   |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                   | 1.10    |
| Settle, Geo. T. (Order Dept)               | 7.06    |
| Settle, Geo. T. (Librarian)                | 211.82  |
| Smith Book Co.                             | 8.00    |
| Snead & Co. Iron Works                     | 190.00  |
| Southern Elevator Co.                      | 4.00    |
| Spectator Co.                              | 10.00   |
| Struck Co., Alfred                         | 12.90   |
| Tachau, E. S.                              | 27.72   |

Brought Forward-----\$

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|--|-----------------|
| Van Dort Co., G. Broes                 | 117.45          |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                   | 5.00            |
| Wallon & Son, A. J.                    | 4.50            |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                     | 17.20           |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.    | 771.70          |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                     | 4.25            |
| Wright, Tobias A.                      | 2.50            |
|  | <u>4,737.48</u> |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll | <u>3,471.05</u> |

Current Maintenance Total 8,208.53

|                             |            |                 |
|-----------------------------|------------|-----------------|
| Pd) Alt & Gnau Bldg. Const. | \$1,500.00 |                 |
| Pd) Alt & Gnau " "          | 1,500.00   |                 |
| Pd) Collins, Val P. " "     | 211.93     |                 |
| Pd) Dow Wire & Iron Works   | 38.00      |                 |
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co.   | 1,000.00   |                 |
| Pd) Matlack Co., Claude C.  | 239.74     |                 |
| Pd) Newman, H.W.            | 25.00      |                 |
| Pd) Towles, Harry B.        | 72.00      | <u>4,586.67</u> |

TOTAL VOUCHERS FOR OCTOBER-----\$12,795.20

Summary of items to be paid:

|                     |                 |          |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|
| Current Maintenance | <u>4,737.48</u> | 4,737.48 |
|---------------------|-----------------|----------|

Summary of items paid:

|                       |                 |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Current Maintenance   | 3,471.05        |                 |
| Building Construction | <u>4,586.67</u> | <u>8,057.72</u> |

TOTAL \$12,795.20

The meeting then adjourned.

Minutes approved.

Dec 10th

Geo. H. Burchard Pres.

W. B. Bartholomew Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting December 10, 1913 at 4 P. M.

Present: Messrs. Buschmeyer, Young, Powell, Powers, Whittingham, Davis, Hemphill, O'Brien, Bartholomew and Settle.

Mayor John H. Buschmeyer was unanimously elected President of the Board.

The following resignation of Mayor Head was tendered and upon motion of Dr. Powell the same was accepted whereupon Mr. Bartholomew offered the following resolution:

Board of Trustees,  
 Louisville Free Public Library,  
 Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

I hereby tender my resignation as Chairman of your Board to become effective Tuesday, Nov. 18th.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) W. O. Head.

## RESOLUTION

The Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library hereby record their high appreciation of the services of Hon. W. O. Head during the time that he was connected with this body. His faithful services in the behalf of every measure for the betterment of the library and its branches was cheerfully given.

His activity during the four years that he was connected with this body has won our admiration for him, and we desire to extend to him our sincere thanks and to express the wish that he may prosper in his future undertakings.

The Treasurer's report was presented by the Finance Committee and ordered filed.

The report of the Library Committee was considered item by item.

The recommendation that Lignon Key be appointed to a position on the staff and assigned to work in the Catalog Department at a

salary of \$30. per month was approved.

The recommendation that Esther Spohn be appointed to a position on the staff and assigned to work in the Catalog Department at a salary of \$30. per month was approved.

The recommendation that the following members of the staff be promoted to first grade assistants at an increase of \$5. each per month beginning Dec. 1st was approved:

|               |                      |
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| Minnie Lunn,  | Mathilda B. Tyler,   |
| Maude Tracy,  | Mary Brown Humphrey, |
| H. A. Thomas, | Esther Bakewell.     |

The recommendation that the room below the Administration Offices originally intended for a bindery, be fitted up for the use of the Stations and Extension Department by placing shelving, painting the walls and ceilings, etc. was approved and referred to the Building Committee.

The Library Committee offered the following resolution in regard to the social centers in the schools of Louisville:

The Library Committee respectfully recommend that that part of the Librarian's report, which refers to Public School Social Centers be referred to the Librarian, with instructions that in the furnishing of these books he must conform to the rules in establishing stations through the Stations and Extension Department.

Miss Mary Mullins was granted one month's leave of absence beginning Dec. 15th without pay.

The recommendation that the library close at 6 p.m. Christmas Eve as heretofore was approved.

The recommendation that the Pay Roll be paid a few days before Christmas as heretofore was approved.

Mr. O'Brien moved that the report as a whole be adopted which was unanimously carried.

Col. Powers asked to be excused at this time because of illness-- which was granted.

The Building Committee's report presented by Mr. O'Brien, Chairman, was read and ordered filed, and is as follows:

The Building Committee submits this statement regarding contemplated changes and improvements at the Main Building.

The changes and improvements amounting to \$6,976. recommended by the Building Committee, approved by the Board at their last meeting and included in the budget for 1913-14 which was adopted, will be made as soon as we are sure of the appropriation from the city.

The working out of the specifications is in the hands of the architect and we will be ready to give out the work just as soon as we are sure of the amount we may expect from the city. We will not enter into a contract for any changes or repairs until we know how much money the city will allow us.

We make this statement to explain the seeming delay in making the changes which were approved.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) W. J. O'Brien.

The bills for the month of November 1913 were read and ordered paid:

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| Albrecht-Meick Hardware Co.           | \$1.75 |
| American Book & Magazine Exchange Co. | 1.50   |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                 | 4.60   |
| Arctic Ice Co.                        | 2.50   |
| Atlas Coal Co.                        | 200.00 |
| Avery & Co., Samuel L.                | 25.00  |
| Bachus, Mrs. Julia                    | 8.00   |
| Baldwin Co.                           | 5.00   |
| Baptist Book Concern                  | 1.50   |
| Bayly & Co., J.W. E.                  | 19.57  |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.           | 13.30  |
| Benziger Bros.                        | 1.40   |
| Bland Electric Co.                    | 1.25   |
| Bocker & Kinnaird                     | 19.15  |
| Boston Book Co.                       | 3.28   |
| Bowker Co., E.R.                      | 1.80   |
| Burkley & Tierney                     | 19.17  |
| Burroughs Adding Machine Co.          | 1.60   |
| Byrne & Speed Coal Co.                | 57.00  |
| Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh        | 1.10   |
| Carpenter & Dudley                    | 33.75  |
| Carter Dry Goods Co.                  | 6.57   |
| Clark Jr. Electric Co., James         | 18.52  |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                 | 1.50   |
| Crisis                                | 2.00   |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.                    | 17.50  |
| Cudahy Packing Co.                    | 10.00  |

Forwarded-----\$478.40



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|   | Brought Forward----- | \$ 478.40         |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.      |                      | 24.00             |
| Davis & Co., H.V.                         |                      | 33.75             |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                         | 1,833.25             |                   |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                       |                      | 316.65            |
| Duffy & Sons Co., H. J.                   |                      | 21.95             |
| Dye Mfg. Co. H. B.                        |                      | 12.30             |
| Electric Shop                             |                      | 11.00             |
| Evans & Foster                            |                      | 19.75             |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                       |                      | 22.30             |
| Field Museum of Natural History           |                      | 7.12              |
| Ford Motor Co.                            |                      | 2.20              |
| Franklin Printing Co.                     |                      | 30.00             |
| Gray & Son, J. S.                         |                      | 33.75             |
| Guntermann, Miss Bertha (Order Dept.)     |                      | 21.46             |
| Hall, J. E.                               |                      | 1.50              |
| Harrington, Mrs. G.W.                     |                      | 27.50             |
| Harvard University Press                  |                      | 2.00              |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff               |                      | 1.50              |
| International Textbook Co.                |                      | 25.20             |
| Jones & Miller Co.                        |                      | 4.00              |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                        |                      | 18.70             |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                    |                      | 281.80            |
| Kochler Mfg. Co., Henry E.                |                      | 4.94              |
| Laib Co.                                  |                      | 12.40             |
| Library Bureau                            |                      | 244.32            |
| Louisville Carriage Trimming Co.          |                      | 1.00              |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.             |                      | 116.27            |
| Louisville Paper Co.                      |                      | 9.25              |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.               |                      | 12.50             |
| McAdams, W. F.                            |                      | 1.50              |
| Mann, Owen E.                             |                      | 33.25             |
| Mayes Printing Co.                        |                      | 40.25             |
| Morton & Co., John P.                     |                      | 171.31            |
| National Casket Co.                       |                      | 8.00              |
| O'Reilly & Poutch                         |                      | 18.85             |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                      |                      | 4.75              |
| Pell & Bro., Wm. B.                       |                      | 13.10             |
| Pittsburgh Coal Co.                       |                      | 3.75              |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                  |                      | 1.10              |
| Schiller, D.                              |                      | 1.00              |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian                 |                      | 104.04            |
| Smith & Nixon Co.                         |                      | 5.00              |
| Southern Elevator Co.                     |                      | 7.80              |
| Stewart Dry Goods Co.                     |                      | 23.30             |
| Struck Co., Alfred                        |                      | 13.90             |
| Torch Press                               |                      | 15.00             |
| Van Dert, Co., G. Broes                   |                      | 23.40             |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                      |                      | 5.00              |
| Ward Bros.                                |                      | 2.70              |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                        |                      | 16.25             |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.       |                      | 639.46            |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                         |                      | 5.50              |
|   |                      | <u>\$4,986.33</u> |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll    | \$3,570.64           | <u>3,570.64</u>   |
| Current Maintenance Total----             |                      | <u>\$8,556.97</u> |
| Pd) Mutual Life Insurance Co. of New York | 7,750.00             | <u>7,750.00</u>   |
|   | Forwarded-----       | \$16,306.97       |

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|                                      | Brought Forward----- | \$16,306.97      |
| Pd) Alt & Ghan Building Const.       | \$ 800.00            |                  |
| Pd) Brownfield & Co., J. L.          | 800.00               |                  |
| Pd) Library Bureau                   | 1,317.00             |                  |
| Pd) Louisville Store & Fixture Works | 68.50                |                  |
| Pd) Peter & Burghard Stone Co.       | 748.00               |                  |
| Pd) Schupp. Ferd F.                  | 98.70                |                  |
| Pd) Stewart Dry Goods Co.            | 371.88               |                  |
| Pd) Straus & Sons Co., Herman        | 46.70                | 4,250.78         |
|                                      |                      | <u>4,250.78</u>  |
| Total Vouchers for November          |                      | 20,557.75        |
| Summary of items to be paid:         |                      |                  |
| Current Maintenance                  | <u>4,986.33</u>      | 4,986.33         |
| Summary of items paid:               |                      |                  |
| Current Maintenance                  | 3,570.64             |                  |
| Interest                             | 7,750.00             |                  |
| Building Construction                | <u>4,250.78</u>      | <u>15,571.42</u> |
| TOTAL-----                           |                      | \$20,557.75      |

The report from the Playground and Recreation Association of America was presented through Mr. Tachau whereupon Gen. Young proposed that the Board heartily approves and indorses the creation of a Board of Recreation for the city of Louisville, whose powers and duties shall be to promote the recreation welfare of the people of Louisville. It also indorses the spirit of the proposed bill to be presented before the Legislature, which was approved.

Further consideration of the request of Mr. Tachau representing the Playground and Recreation Association of America was unanimously referred to a Special Committee consisting of Gen. Young, Mr. Davis and Mr. Barker with power to act.

The Board then adjourned.

Minutes Approved.

Jan. 14th

J. H. Dawson Pres  
R. H. Barker Sec.

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LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting Wednesday, January 14<sup>1914</sup> at 4 P. M.

Present: Powers, Powell, Whittingham, Mayer, Barker, Thalheimer, Hemphill, Bartholomew and Settle.

In the absence of the President Col. J. D. Powers was chosen President pro tem.

Mr. Barker moved that the letter of D. R. Lyman, Chief Engineer of the City, in reference to the dedication of Birchwood Avenue by this Board be referred to the Building Committee with instructions that if the citizens will bear the expense of the same, the Board hereby gives its consent, which resolution unanimously prevailed.

A communication from Mrs. John L. Woodbury, Secretary of the Louisville Garden Club, asking that two members of this Board be appointed to co-operate with that organization was received and upon motion of Dr. Powell, the president appointed Mr. W. H. Bartholomew and Dr. Chester Mayer.

The librarian's report for the month in which were given facts indicating that the usefulness of the library is greatly increasing was received and ordered filed. The report stated the circulation for the month was 79,980 volumes, an increase of 17,097 volumes over the same month last year and a corresponding increase in all other departments.

The report of the Library Committee was submitted and read by the Secretary, and upon motion considered item by item.

The recommendation that Mrs. Lillie S. Edwards be appointed to a position on the staff and assigned to work at the Eastern Colored Branch Library at a salary of \$30. per month was approved.

The recommendation that Miss Carolyn E. Adelberg be commissioned as Notary Public, cost \$9. bond, etc. was approved.

The recommendation in reference to extending Miss Grace Tabb's leave of absence to Aug. 25th, an additional seven months was approved.

The recommendation that the Librarian be authorized to gather photographs of trustees of the library and have uniform, enlarged copies made, to place in the office for use in any history that may be written later was approved. Mr. Settle stated that he wished to borrow photographs of the trustees from their families and have uniform size copies made from them for library file.

Mr. Bartholomew moved that the report as a whole be adopted which was approved.

The report of the Finance Committee submitted through Mr. Barker was received and ordered to be filed.

Bills for the month were then considered and ordered paid:

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|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Albrecht-Heick Hardware Co.           | \$3.60 |
| A. L. A. Publishing Board             | 11.00  |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                 | 95.23  |
| Arctic Ice Co.                        | 2.60   |
| Associated Photo Co.                  | 1.50   |
| Atlas Coal Co.                        | 40.00  |
| Bland Electric Co.                    | 1.75   |
| Bowker Co., F. P.                     | 14.00  |
| Burdorf-Brecher Co.                   | 1.50   |
| Bush-Krebs Co.                        | 6.75   |
| Byrne & Speed Coal Co.                | 47.50  |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                 | 1.55   |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.  | 22.65  |
| Davis & Co., H. V.                    | 48.75  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                     | 226.79 |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                   | 377.45 |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                   | 11.32  |
| Evans & Foster                        | 5.00   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                   | 12.50  |
| Guntermann, Miss Bertha (Order Dept.) | 18.00  |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff           | 1.50   |
| Johnson, Chas. Thruston               | 25.35  |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                    | 2.25   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                | 103.80 |
| Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.           | 5.94   |
| Library Bureau                        | 12.80  |
| Library of Congress                   | 100.00 |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.         | 140.95 |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.         | 5.64   |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.         | 60.75  |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.           | 14.25  |
| MacMillan Co., The                    | 4.00   |
| McClung & Co., A.C.                   | 1.01   |
| Marchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.      | 10.00  |
| Mill Remnants Co.                     | 32.50  |
| Milton, W. A.                         | 25.19  |

Forwarded-----\$1,495.37

Brought Forward-----\$1,495.37

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| Morton & Co., John P.                  | 24.91   |  |
| Otting, E. H.                          | 28.00   |  |
| Querbacker-Gilmore Co.                 | 4.00  |  |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                | 9.72  |  |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                   | 16.58   |  |
| Professional Memoirs                   | 3.00  |  |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                    | 5.70  |  |
| Reutlinger & Stith                     | 27.30   |  |
| Robinson, Norton & Co., J. H.          | 4.34  |  |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian              | 127.66  |  |
| Southern Elevator Co.                  | 7.60  |  |
| Special Libraries Association          | 2.00  |  |
| Standard Printing Co.                  | 5.00  |  |
| Struck Co., Alfred                     | 30.70   |  |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                   | 5.00  |  |
| Virginia Historical Society            | 5.00  |  |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                     | 12.65   |  |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.    | 680.10  |  |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.            | 3.00  |  |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                      | 91.00   |  |
| Wilson, Samuel M.                      | 5.00  |  |
|  | <u>\$2,593.63</u>                               |  |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll | 3,570.00  |  |
|  | <u>CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL-----\$6,163.63</u> |  |

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| Pd) Anderson & Co., A. J. Bldg. Const. | 219.00          |  |
| Pd) Brownfield & Co., J. L.            | 400.00          |  |
| Pd) Erhart, Fred                       | 100.00          |  |
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co.              | 282.25          |  |
| Pd) Grainger & Co.                     | 16.50           |  |
| Pd) Higgin Mfg. Co.                    | 235.00          |  |
| Pd) Matlack & Co.                      | 22.25           |  |
| Pd) Nolan Bros.                        | 9.10            |  |
|  | <u>1,284.10</u> |  |

TOTAL VOUCHERS FOR DECEMBER-----\$7,447.73

The following report of the Building Committee through Mr. Thalheimer was approved:

The Building Committee reports that the Portland Branch Library is completed and accepted under the contractor's guarantee for one year and that the balance on all bills be paid.

We further report that bids for enlarging Museum and changing the present Polytechnic Room for Newspaper, Civics and Municipal Room purposes were submitted by D. X. Murphy & Bro., architects. These bids were opened on Jan. 2nd and the contracts awarded for carpenter work, electric wiring and light fixtures to be done under the direction of D.X. Murphy & Bro. total cost not to exceed \$1,200.

The following report of the Building Committee presented by Mr. Thalheimer was approved, except that part suggesting that an outsider be invited to be present and make an address.

"It is recommended that the Eastern Colored Branch Library

be opened on the 28th of January with the following exercises:

Wednesday Evening, Jan. 28th, "The Public Library for the People" with exercises by members of the Board.

Thursday Evening, Jan. 29th, "The Public Library as an Educational Factor", with exercises by colored school teachers.

Friday Evening, Jan. 30th, "The Public Library as a Moral Factor" with exercises by colored ministers.

Saturday Afternoon, Jan. 31st, "The Public Library for the Children" with exercises by school children.

The library to be open for inspection on Thursday, Friday and Sunday for adults and Saturday for children. Circulation of books to begin Monday, Feb. 2nd.

It has been suggested, since this is an event that has never occurred in any other city, the opening of a second colored branch library, that we invite an outsider to give it national notice. I would like to invite Miss E. E. Ahern, Editor Public Libraries, or Mr. James I. Wyer, Jr. Albany, N. Y. In the event either is invited, we would make arrangements to have them on the program as many evenings as they could be in the city and also arrange to have them address the library staff."

The meeting then adjourned.

Minutes Approved

Feb. 11th.

J. W. Jones Pres.

Mr. Bartholomew Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting Wednesday, February 11<sup>1914</sup> at 4 P. M.

Present: Mullins, Mayer, Thalheimer, Davis, O'Brien, Barker, Hemphill, Powers, Whittingham, Bartholomew and Settle.

Dr. Hemphill was appointed Chairman pro tem.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication was received from Mr. Frank P. Hill, Librarian Brooklyn Public Library, asking donation for A.L.A. Exhibit at Leipzig. Mr. Barker moved that the same be received, filed and properly acknowledged.

A communication from Mrs. Robert M. Kelly, Jr. was read in which she offered to present a deer's head to the Library. The Board moved that the gift be received and thanks extended to her for the same.

The report of the Finance Committee was read by Mr. Barker whereupon Col. Powers moved that the same be concurred in and filed, which was unanimously approved:

"The Treasurer's report is submitted herewith showing a cash balance February 1st of \$2,220.35. We will have \$3,000. on the 7th, rents, and expect about \$10,000. or more by the 15th from the city.

\$5,079.16 was paid on the loan and the balance of this loan, \$15,000. will be paid as rapidly as funds come in from the city to keep down the interest account.

In arranging the budget for 1913-14 we recommended that \$5,000. be laid aside to pay on mortgage on building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Co., but since the city has cut our appropriation  $\frac{1}{2}\%$ , it is recommended that we do not pay this amount on the mortgage but appropriate it to the book and other accounts

The librarian's report for the month in which were given facts showing the largest circulation in the history of the Library, was read and ordered filed. The report stated that the circulation was an increase of 17,673 volumes 92,178 volumes over the same month last year. The report further showed that this increase was uniform at the Main Library and all the branches.

The report to the Library Committee was submitted and considered item by item.

The recommendation that Geneva Netherton be appointed to a position on the staff and assigned to work at the Parkland Branch Library at a salary of \$30. per month was approved.

The offer of Mr. I. W. Bernheim to transfer the bronze bust of Lincoln which he had given to the State of Kentucky to the library was overlocked at the last meeting of the Board. The Secretary authorized the librarian to submit a letter to the individual members of the Board asking that the president be authorized to appoint a committee to make the necessary arrangements, draw up a bill, etc. to ask for the transfer of this bust. A letter was submitted on January 15th and approved by all members except Mr. O'Brien who was out of the city.

The Mayor appointed Prof. W. H. Bartholomew, Mr. E. J. O'Brien and Mr. Thomas A. Barker as the committee. They reported that a bill had been prepared and would be submitted this day to the legislature.

Prof Bartholomew moved that the report as a whole be adopted which was carried.

Bills for the month were approved and ordered paid:

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| American Civic Association             | \$5.00          |
| American Library Association           | 5.00            |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.          | 3.35            |
| American Political Science Association | 3.00            |
| Arctic Ice Co.                         | 2.70            |
| Associated Photo Co.                   | 6.00            |
| Atlas Coal Co.                         | 148.00          |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.            | 17.56           |
| Bland Electric Co.                     | 9.15            |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                      | 2.00            |
| Braun Publishing Co., Isadore          | 1.00            |
| Brauer & Co.                           | 29.25           |
| Byrne & Speed Coal Co.                 | 76.00           |
| Buckley & Son, R. G.                   | 5.90            |
| City Club of Chicago                   | 2.00            |
| Clark Jr. Electric Co., James          | 8.00            |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                  | 1.55            |
| Cudahy Packing Co.                     | 10.00           |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.   | 22.65           |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                      | 231.45          |
| Dearing Bock Shoppe                    | 728.30          |
| Dinkelspiel, Miss Blanche              | 6.30            |
|  | <u>1,324.15</u> |



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|  | Brought Forward | 1,324.16        |
| Dodd and Livingston                              |                 | 10.17           |
| Dreher, K.                                       |                 | 7.70            |
| Dugan & Co., Thos. S.                            |                 | 73.15           |
| Dye Mfg. Co., W. B.                              |                 | 16.97           |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                              |                 | 1.65            |
| Ford Motor Co.                                   |                 | 11.65           |
| Gaylord Bros.                                    |                 | 46.39           |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Department)            |                 | 5.25            |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff                      |                 | 11.25           |
| Johnson, Chas. Thruston                          |                 | 15.84           |
| Jones & Miller Co.                               |                 | 9.70            |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                               |                 | 1.36            |
| Kendrick's Sons, Wm.                             |                 | 6.50            |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                           |                 | 340.70          |
| Kentucky Paper Box Co.                           |                 | 32.41           |
| Knight, L. L.                                    |                 | 3.80            |
| Kochler Stamp & Stencil Co.                      |                 | 2.64            |
| Lemcke & Buechner                                |                 | 4.58            |
| Library Bureau                                   |                 | 14.58           |
| Louisville Auto Radiator & Lamp Repair Co.       |                 | 5.00            |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.                    |                 | 132.62          |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.                    |                 | 10.80           |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.                    |                 | 6.00            |
| Louisville Paper Co.                             |                 | 2.58            |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                      |                 | 12.50           |
| Mayes Printing Co.                               |                 | 37.50           |
| Matlack Co., Claude C.                           |                 | 9.00            |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                             |                 | 29.66           |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.                 |                 | 4.00            |
| Morrison, Noah Farnham                           |                 | 9.75            |
| Morton & Co., John P.                            |                 | 102.24          |
| National Conference of Charities and Correction  |                 | 1.60            |
| National Conference on City Planning             |                 | 2.16            |
| National Surety Co.                              |                 | 9.00            |
| O'Reilly & Pcutch                                |                 | 23.40           |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                          |                 | 9.27            |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                             |                 | 2.50            |
| Pirtle & Weaver                                  |                 | 35.64           |
| Playground and Recreation Association of America |                 | 4.50            |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                         |                 | 4.50            |
| Reutlinger & Stith                               |                 | 11.48           |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian                        |                 | 185.80          |
| Southern Elevator Co.                            |                 | 4.00            |
| Southern Publication Society                     |                 | 5.00            |
| Standard Printing Co.                            |                 | 14.20           |
| Struck Co., Alfred                               |                 | 4.88            |
| Tachau, E. S.                                    |                 | 19.50           |
| University of Chicago Press                      |                 | 2.50            |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                             |                 | 5.00            |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                               |                 | 23.35           |
| Watts, John P.                                   |                 | 12.65           |
| Wayfarer's Lodge                                 |                 | 2.00            |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.              |                 | 695.94          |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                                |                 | 5.20            |
| Wisconsin Free Library Commission                |                 | 23.00           |
|  |                 | <u>3,419.17</u> |

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| Brought Forward-----                   |                   | \$3,419.17      |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll |                   | <u>3,536.54</u> |
| Current Maintenance Total              |                   | \$6,955.71      |
| Pd) Louisville Trust Co.               | <u>\$5,079.16</u> | 5,079.16        |
| Pd) Alt & Gnau                         | 1,000.00          |                 |
| Pd) Kaufman-Straus Co.                 | 171.08            |                 |
| Pd) Kaufman-Straus Co.                 | <u>29.85</u>      | <u>1,200.93</u> |
| Total Checks for January               |                   | \$13,235.80     |

The report of the Building Committee through Mr. O'Brien, Chairman, was received and the appropriations therein were approved;

"The Librarian has notified Will May and D. R. Lyman, City Engineer, that the Board is willing to dedicate Birchwood Avenue provided no cost is entailed. Mr. May replies that his letter has been referred to Mr. Wallace A. McKay. We have an arrangement with the Southern Elevator Co. for weekly inspection of elevator and book lift at a cost of \$4. per month. The inspection is made by Mr. Feltman and the little necessary repairs are made without additional cost during the visits. The librarian recommends that this arrangement be continued as the elevators are in constant use by members of the staff. The cost of the necessary repairs each month would amount to as much.

#### Eastern Colored Branch.

The Eastern Colored Branch Library was opened on January 28th by members of the Board of Trustees. There were also exercises on Thursday and Friday nights in the hands of the colored teachers and preachers, and Saturday afternoon by colored school children. Circulation of books began Feb. 2d. The first weeks' work in this new branch was most satisfactory.

As soon as we can have a meeting of the Building Committee to go over the building with the architect and contractors, a final report will be made to the Board on the cost of the building. This will complete our series of eight branch buildings, two of them for colored people, which gives us one of the best library systems in the country.

#### Newspaper and Civics Room.

To complete the Newspaper and Civics Room on the second floor, it will be necessary to place a cork carpet, and an additional appropriation of \$145.20 is asked for this purpose."

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) E. J. O'Brien

Chairman Building Committee.

Mr. O'Brien also submitted a letter from the Park Commissioners to Miss Yunker in which the committee recommended that the work of

beautifying the grounds should not be undertaken this year because of the fact that the Park Commissioners could not co-operate. This recommendation of the committee was approved.

Mr. Barker moved that hereafter the Board meeting be held at 5 p.m. instead of 4 p.m. which prevailed.

Mr. Walter Beecher representing the donors of the Portland Branch asked permission to place a brass memorial tablet at the Portland Branch Library. This request was referred to the Building Committee with power to act.

The meeting then adjourned.

Minutes Approved

March 11th

J. H. Power Pres.

H. W. Bartholomew Sec.

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
Regular Meeting Wednesday, March 11 at 5 P. M. 1914

Present: Whittingham, Powers, Barker, O'Brien, Thalheimer, Bartholomew, Mullins and Settle.

Mr. Hardin H. Herr appointed to succeed Mr. Davis was a visitor.

Col. Powers was elected Chairman pro tem.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A letter from the Secretary of the American Library Association to the librarian in regard to encouraging members of the Library Board to join the Association was read and ordered filed.

Letter under date February 23d from Mr. H. N. Sanborn, Secretary Public Library Commission of Indiana in charge of the Indiana Library School was read. He stated that the students would visit the Louisville library during the summer to study our methods. Under date Feb. 28th, Mr. Settle answered this letter expressing his pleasure at the coming of the summer school students. Mr. O'Brien moved, seconded by Dr. Mullins, that the librarian be authorized to entertain them during their visit. This motion unanimously prevailed.

The Secretary in behalf of the Board wrote a letter of congratulations to Mr. John Johnston Davis upon his marriage March 4, 1914. The same was approved and copy ordered filed.

The Treasurer's report was submitted through Mr. Barker, Chairman Finance Committee, and upon motion of Dr. Mullins was received and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for February showing a circulation of 90,752 volumes was read. The report stated that this was an increase of 17,472 volumes over February of last year. Although the report showed an increase of nearly 24%, the records show that there

was a decrease of 1% in the use of fiction.

The committee appointed to ask the Legislature to give to the Louisville Free Public Library the bust of Lincoln donated to the State by Mr. Bernheim reported that the bill had passed both branches of the Legislature and that the Governor had intimated he would approve it. This bust will be transferred in due time.

The report of the Library Committee was read and acted upon item by item.

The following items were unanimously approved:

It is recommended that Ada K. Sievers be promoted to branch librarian and assigned to duty at the Portland Branch at a salary of \$60. per month.

It is recommended that Alma St. Clair be appointed to a position on the staff and assigned to work at the Jefferson Branch Library at a salary of \$30. per month.

It is recommended that Pearl Hinesley be appointed to a position on the staff and assigned to work in the Circulation Department, Main Library, at a salary of \$30. per month.

It is recommended that the following increases in salaries be allowed: Carolyn E. Adelberg \$5. per month, Loraine Norris \$5. per month and that the salary of Bertha Guntermann be fixed at \$75. per month.

It is recommended that Jennie O. Cochran be made head of the Stations and Extension Department at a salary of \$100. per month.

The salary of Thos. F. Blue, Colored Branch Librarian, was fixed at \$75. per month.

Mary Brown Humphrey of the Reference Department was granted one month's leave of absence beginning March 10th without pay.

The recommendation that clocks be purchased for the Open Shelf and Reference Rooms, cost not to exceed \$10. each, was approved.

The following bills for the month were approved:

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| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co.              | 2.25   |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.           | 4.70   |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                   | 4.90   |
| Arabic Mfg. Co.                         | 4.80   |
| Arctic Ice Co.                          | 2.20   |
| Atlas Coal Co.                          | 120.00 |
| Badger, Richard G.                      | 1.20   |
| Baldwin Co., The                        | 11.00  |
| Baldwin Law Book Co.                    | 33.15  |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.             | 1.97   |
| Bland Electric Co.                      | 3.85   |
| Byrne & Speed Coal Co.                  | 59.14  |
| Caron Directory Co.                     | 62.40  |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                    | 1.00   |
| Claek, James Jr., Electric Co.          | 2.10   |
| Clegg & Co., F. A.                      | 10.14  |
| Cowan & Co., Andrew                     | 22.35  |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                   | 1.40   |
| Crutcher Bros Co.                       | 4.00   |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.    | 22.65  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                       | 995.61 |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                     | 569.30 |
| Detroit Publishing Co.                  | 7.00   |
| Dow Wire & Iron Works                   | 9.65   |
| Dreher, K.                              | 1.60   |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                     | 1.67   |
| Evans & Foster                          | 9.00   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                     | 5.65   |
| Finck, Carl H.                          | 4.50   |
| Flannelly-Clarkson Auto Co.             | 8.48   |
| Ford Motor Co.                          | 5.00   |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                   | 2.00   |
| Gamble, Mrs. T. H. Treas., Drama League | 2.00   |
| Gaylord Bros.                           | 33.81  |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Department)   | 10.95  |
| Hager Co., C. C.                        | 4.80   |
| Harrington, Mrs. G. W.                  | 27.23  |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff             | 4.50   |
| Jeunesse, R.                            | 10.00  |
| Johnson, Chas. Thruston                 | 22.97  |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                      | 2.58   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                  | 196.60 |
| Kirchdorfer, J. C.                      | 4.65   |
| Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.             | 1.35   |
| Korfhage, Herman C.                     | 2.00   |
| Krebs, S. F.                            | 3.00   |
| Levy Bros.                              | 1.50   |
| Library Bureau                          | 60.68  |
| Louisville Broom Works                  | 9.25   |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.           | 144.97 |
| Louisville Paper Co.                    | 2.58   |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.             | 13.75  |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                    | 2.25   |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.        | 4.40   |
| Miller & Co., Edw. J.                   | 48.75  |
| Milton, W. A.                           | 15.70  |
| Morton & Co., John P.                   | 70.37  |
| National Child Labor Committee          | 2.00   |

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| National Education Association of U.S. | 2.00        |
| North American Press Association       | 1.00        |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                   | 5.90        |
| Ramsers Sons, Gec.                     | 12.60       |
| Settle, Gec. T. Librarian              | 90.44       |
| Slippy, J. C.                          | 2.00        |
| Southern Elevator Co.                  | 5.40        |
| Standard Printing Co.                  | 21.06       |
| Julius Strauss Grocery Co.             | 1.85        |
| Tablet & Ticket Co.                    | 8.86        |
| Thompson & Co., C. B.                  | 4.00        |
| Timberlake & Trusheart                 | 11.88       |
| U. S. Government Advertiser            | 5.00        |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                   | 5.00        |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                     | 48.76       |
| Watts, John R.                         | 10.30       |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.    | 605.54      |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                      | <u>3.40</u> |

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|  | \$3,543.29    |
| Pd) Settle, Gec. T. Librarian Pay Roll | 3,490.78      |
| Pd) Jeunesse, R. Repairs               | <u>500.00</u> |

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|   | CURRENT MAINTENANCE | \$7,534.07      |
| Pd) Louisville Trust Co. Bills Payable & Interest | 15,191.66           |                 |
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co. Bldg. Const.            | 15.95               |                 |
| Pd) Linow-Leibius Co.                             | 1,000.00            |                 |
| Pd) Matlack Co., Claude C.                        | <u>250.00</u>       | <u>1,265.95</u> |

TOTAL CHECKS FOR FEBRUARY-----\$23,991.68

Mr. Bartholomew moved that the report as a whole be adopted which was approved.

The Building Committee's report, showing the completion of the eight branch buildings with costs, etc. was read and approved. Mr. Barker moved that the same be filed and that the thanks of the Board be extended to the committee for their splendid work; also to the Librarian and architect for their efficient work and hearty co-operation.

The report stated that the Eastern Colored Branch Library building was completed and that it be accepted under the contractor's guarantee for one year and that the balance on all bills amounting to \$3,073.38 be paid which was approved. The report showed a balance of \$483.85 due D. X. Murphy & Bro. architects Jefferson Branch Library, which was approved and ordered paid.

It also showed the expenditures on the erection of eight branch

library buildings paid for out of the Carnegie appropriation of \$200,000. On the face, \$571.82 more than the Carnegie appropriation had been spent. This account appears to be overdrawn for the reason that furniture at the Shelby Park Branch Library amounting to \$1,372.50, at the Jefferson Branch amounting to \$1,542.10 and at the Eastern Colored Branch amounting to \$1,273.50 not included in the appropriations for the buildings had been paid for out of Carnegie funds. But for the fact that Mr. Carnegie permitted these payments as part of the building construction they could not have been erected, as library funds were not available for furniture and other things necessary to complete them.

The Committee recommended that the Board ask Mr. Carnegie to donate sufficient funds to erect two additional buildings later.

Dr. Mullins moved that the Finance Committee immediately take the necessary steps to secure from Mr. Carnegie \$50,000. for the erection of two additional branch library buildings to complete our library system. The same prevailed whereupon Mr. Barker moved that Dr. Mullins be added to said Committee. Approved.

The meeting then adjourned.

Minutes Approved

April 8 - 1914

J. A. Buchanan Pres.  
W. S. B. [unclear] Sec.



## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting Wednesday, April 8, 1914.

Present: Buschemeyer, Powers, Whittingham, Mullins, Powell, Thalheimer, Herr, Young, Bartholomew, O'Brien and Settle.

The following letter from the Mayor was read:

Prof. W. H. Bartholomew, Secretary,  
Board of Trustees,  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

My Dear Sir:-

I am pleased to notify you that I have appointed Gen. Bennett H. Young and Mr. Edward J. O'Brien to succeed themselves and Mr. Hardin Herr to succeed Mr. John J. Davis as members of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library for a term of four years beginning April 1914.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Jno. H. Buschemeyer

Mayor.

When asked by the President if they had been sworn in, each of the newly appointed trustees answered in the affirmative.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report and the report of the Finance Committee were read, approved and ordered filed.

The report of the Building Committee was read and upon motion of Dr. Powell approved. The report stated that the changes in the Museum and the Newspaper Room had been completed. This gives a splendid room on the second floor, size 24 by 54 feet, for a Newspaper and Civics Room and adds 1,443 sq. ft. to the floor area of the Museum.

The report of the Library Committee was considered item by item.

The recommendation that Mary Goode English be appointed to a position on the staff and assigned to work in the Circulation Department, Main Library, at a salary of \$30. per month was approved.

The recommendation that Cora Beatty be appointed to a position

on the staff and assigned to work in the Reference Department, Main Libray, at a salary of \$30. per month was approved.

Miss Carcline Q. Fullerton, Head of the Reference Department, was granted two months' leave of absence, without pay, in addition to her regular month's vacation beginning June 1st, for a trip abroad on condition Miss Humphrey returns and is able to assume her regular duties.

The recommendation that the library purchase eight bulletin outfits for advertising signs for the branch libraries was approved.

The recommendation to accept the collection of the Jefferson Institute of Arts and Sciences, offered to the library unconditionally, was approved.

Upon motion of Mr. Bartholomew, the report of the committee as a whole was approved.

The Prentice Statue Committee through Gen. Bennett H. Young made a report of progress.

The Committee appointed to secure the Lincoln Bust from the State, through Mr. Bartholomew, stated that a bill asking that the bust be transferred had been approved by the Legislature and the Governor and at the expiration of 90 days, the bust would be handed over to the public library.

The Committee appointed to secure funds from the Fiscal Court to extend library privileges to the county, through Gen. Young, stated that in all probability the county would give the library \$2,500. when sufficient funds were in the Treasury.

The Committee appointed to ask Mr. Carnegie for \$50,000. to erect two additional branch library buildings to complete our library system, reported progress and asked that further time be granted them.

The following bills for the month were approved:

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| American Prison Association               | \$1.50  |
| Arctic Ice Co.                            | 2.50    |
| Associated Photo Co.                      | 13.50   |
| Atlas Coal Co.                            | 68.00   |
| Baldwin Piano Co., The                    | 5.00    |
| Barret & Son, John J.                     | 16.63   |
| Bickel Co., Henry                         | 50.00   |
| Bland Electric Co.                        | 1.00    |
| Becker & Kinnaird                         | 24.55   |
| Bush-Krebs Co.                            | 14.00   |
| Clark Jr. Electric Co., James             | 9.60    |
| Crawford Publishing Co.                   | 3.75    |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                     | 1.55    |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.      | 22.65   |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                         | 656.30  |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                       | 1151.74 |
| Dow Wire & Iron Works                     | 4.10    |
| Duncan, Mrs. Fannie Casseday              | 50.00   |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                       | 13.02   |
| Evans & Foster                            | 10.85   |
| Evershine Polish Co.                      | 1.25    |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                       | 13.50   |
| Fischer Co., Heinrich                     | 7.50    |
| Furnas & Maddox                           | 18.70   |
| German Publication Society                | 40.50   |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)          | 19.79   |
| Hager Co., C. C.                          | 2.00    |
| Harper & Brothers                         | 14.25   |
| Heick Co., Henry                          | 1.55    |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff               | 4.10    |
| International Textbook Co.                | 4.28    |
| Kavanaugh, F. K.                          | 1.00    |
| Keisker & Son, Fred W.                    | 6.00    |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                    | 551.60  |
| Kentucky Paper Box Co.                    | 72.96   |
| Kirchdorfer, J. C.                        | 2.50    |
| Kochler, Stamp & Stencil Co.              | 9.35    |
| Library Bureau                            | 63.28   |
| Louisville Anzeiger Co.                   | 23.00   |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.             | 114.95  |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.             | 69.75   |
| Louisville Paper Co.                      | 91.74   |
| Louisville Rubber Co.                     | 1.50    |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.               | 13.95   |
| Matlack Co., Claude C.                    | 1.15    |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                      | 4.58    |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.          | 5.20    |
| Milton, W. A.                             | 15.55   |
| Mississippi Valley Historical Association | 2.00    |
| Morrison, Frank E.                        | 1.65    |
| Morton & Co., John P.                     | 166.58  |
| O'Reilly & Pcutch                         | 16.63   |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                   | 52.15   |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                      | 20.50   |
| Pirtle & Weaver                           | 44.35   |
| Putnam's Sons, G. P.                      | 10.20   |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                  | 6.00    |
| Robinson, Norton & Co.                    | 10.50   |

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| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian           |               | \$85.03           |             |
| Shuman, & Co., Geo. L.              |               | 41.00             |             |
| Southern Elevator Co.               |               | 6.65              |             |
| Southern Sociological Congress      |               | 2.00              |             |
| Standard Printing Co.               |               | 19.80             |             |
| Stewart & Kidd Co.                  |               | 2.75              |             |
| Thomas Publishing Co.               |               | 5.00              |             |
| Van Dert Co., G. Bruce              |               | 4.50              |             |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                |               | 5.00              |             |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                  |               | 15.96             |             |
| Watts Co., John R.                  |               | 1.45              |             |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. |               | 553.68            |             |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.         |               | 3.00              |             |
| Winslow, Helen M.                   |               | 2.00              |             |
| Wood, Stubbs & Co.                  |               | 26.00             |             |
|                                     |               | <u>\$4,400.10</u> |             |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian       | Pay Roll      |                   | 3,619.40    |
| Pd) Hubouch Bros. & Wellenderff     | \$145.20      |                   |             |
| Pd) Jeunesse, R.                    | <u>259.50</u> | 404.70            |             |
|                                     |               | <u>\$8,424.20</u> |             |
| Pd) Alt & Gnau                      | 2,410.85      |                   |             |
| Pd) Brownfield & Co., J. L.         | 171.50        |                   |             |
| Pd) Erhart, Fred                    | 153.73        |                   |             |
| Pd) Matlack Co., Claude C.          | <u>63.85</u>  | 2,799.93          |             |
| TOTAL CHECKS FOR MARCH              |               |                   | \$11,224.13 |

The election of officers for the ensuing year was declared in order and the following were unanimously elected:

|                            |                      |
|----------------------------|----------------------|
| Mayor John H. Buschemeyer, | President,           |
| General Bennett H. Young,  | Vice-president,      |
| Prof. W. H. Bartholomew,   | Secretary,           |
| Louisville Trust Co.       | Treasurer,           |
| George T. Settle,          | Assistant Secretary. |

The meeting then adjourned.

Minutes Approved

May 13-1914

Bennett H. Young Pres.  
W. H. Bartholomew Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting Wednesday, May 13, at 5 P. M.

Present: Young, Powell, Powers, Thalheimer, Hemphill, O'Brien, Whittingham, Herr, Barker, Bartholomew and Settle.

In the absence of President Buschemeyer, General Young presided.

Dr. Hemphill requested that it be said that he was absent from the previous meeting on account of illness.

Mr. Frank P. Hill's letter of April 7th in reference to contributing to the Leipzig Exhibit Fund was read and ordered filed. A similar letter had been considered and acted upon by the Board at a previous meeting.

A letter from his honor, the Mayor, in which the committees for the ensuing year were named was read. The following are the committee appointments therein contained:

Building Committee

|                    |          |
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| Edward J. O'Brien, | Chairman |
| Edgar Y. Mullins   |          |
| Wm. Thalheimer     |          |
| G. S. Whittingham  |          |

Finance Committee

|                     |          |
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| Thomas A. Barker,   | Chairman |
| Chester Mayer       |          |
| Charles R. Hemphill |          |
| Hardin Herr         |          |

Library Committee

|                    |          |
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| Bennett H. Young,  | Chairman |
| Wm. H. Bartholomew |          |
| E. L. Powell       |          |
| Joshua D. Powers   |          |

Executive Committee

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Bennett H. Young, | Chairman |
| Edward J. O'Brien |          |
| Thomas A. Barker  |          |

Mr. Whittingham arose to a point of personal privilege and said "I decline to serve on the Building Committee as I am out of sympathy with the extravagant expenditures for repairs of this committee".

The report of the Library Committee was acted upon item by item:

The recommendation that two new machines be purchased for the Order and Catalog Departments at a cost of \$65. each was approved.

The Librarian's report showing expenditures for current maintenance, building construction and repairs was approved and the following bills were ordered paid:

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| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co.                 | \$4.55 |
| Altsheler & Co.                            | 4.00   |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.              | 1.20   |
| Arctic Ice Co.                             | 2.90   |
| Associated Photo Co.                       | 3.00   |
| Atlas Coal Co.                             | 54.00  |
| Boston Book Co.                            | 7.50   |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                          | 2.14   |
| Burdorf-Brecher Co.                        | 6.75   |
| Bush-Krebs Co.                             | 34.20  |
| Byrne & Speed Coal Co.                     | 58.00  |
| Carrell-Rogers Co.                         | 19.00  |
| Century Co. The                            | 5.78   |
| Clark Jr. Electric Co., James              | 43.92  |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                      | 1.50   |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.       | 24.75  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                          | 316.69 |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                        | 320.57 |
| Dow Wire & Iron Works                      | 4.28   |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                        | 8.10   |
| Evans & Foster                             | 8.00   |
| Evershine Polish Co.                       | 5.50   |
| Fetter Co. Geo. G.                         | 4.30   |
| Ford Motor Co.                             | 2.14   |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                      | 26.85  |
| Gaylord Bros.                              | 54.70  |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)           | 17.01  |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry                  | 4.50   |
| Jeunesse, R.                               | 2.25   |
| Kelly Publishing Co.                       | 12.50  |
| Kenedy & Sons, P. J.                       | 3.00   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                     | 111.80 |
| Kentucky Paper Box Co.                     | 10.29  |
| Knollenberg, Mrs. L. S.                    | 1.90   |
| Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.                | 2.16   |
| Library Bureau                             | 46.78  |
| Lindsey, T. N.                             | 1.03   |
| Louisville Auto Radiator & Lamp Repair Co. | 2.00   |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.              | 107.22 |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                | 14.00  |
| Mayer Printing Co.                         | 54.00  |

Forwarded \$1,414.76

Brought Forward-----\$1,414.76

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| McClurg & Co., A. C.                     | 1.24   |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.         | 6.00   |
| Moody-Mitchell Lumber & Building Co.     | 6.50   |
| Morton & Co., John P.                    | 119.90 |
| Music Teachers' National Association     | 1.60   |
| National Tax Association                 | 3.00   |
| New Louisville Chemical Co.              | 2.25   |
| New York Times Index                     | 8.00   |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                      | 40.95  |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                 | 4.00   |
| Republic Publishing Co.                  | 5.00   |
| Scientific American Compiling Department | 70.00  |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian                | 87.05  |
| Skinner, John                            | 3.01   |
| Snead & Co., Iron Works                  | 190.00 |
| Southern Elevator Co.                    | 4.00   |
| Standard Printing Co.                    | 22.90  |
| Stechert & Co. G. E.                     | 6.70   |
| Stewart Dry Goods Co.                    | 7.50   |
| Tabard Inn Book Co.                      | 4.00   |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                     | 5.00   |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                       | 19.55  |
| Watts, John R.                           | 24.00  |
| Webssinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.      | 589.61 |
| West Disinfecting Co.                    | 12.50  |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                        | 4.00   |

\$2,663.02  
3,792.58

Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll

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| Pd) Campbell, B. J. & W. T. | \$3.78       |               |
| Pd) Marine Electric Co.     | 172.50       |               |
| Pd) Mooser-Hoeck Co.        | 113.82       |               |
| Pd) Mooser-Hoeck Co.        | 34.50        |               |
| Pd) Trauth, Con             | <u>11.75</u> | 336.35        |
| Pd) Lindow-Leibius Co.      |              | <u>273.50</u> |

TOTAL CHECKS FOR APRIL--\$7,065.45

Upon motion of Prof. Bartholomew the report was adopted as a whole.

It was unanimously agreed that Mr. George T. Settle, Librarian, represent the library at the American Library Association meeting at Washington, D. C. May 25-June 1 and that his expenses be allowed.

The Librarian's report for the month showed that 89,626 books were circulated for home use, an increase of 12,700 volumes over April 1913 and 33,750 over April 1912. The report stated that the Newspaper and Civics Room is proving quite popular and was a busy center during April.

Gen. Young asked to be excused at this time because of a pressing engagement and asked Col. Powers to take the chair.

The report of the Building Committee was received and approved. The committee reported progress in the work of repairs on toilets in basement, and stated that this expenditure is more than worth while as it will add to the healthfulness of the building.

Mr. Bartholomew of the Lincoln Bust Committee reported that the bust had been transferred to the Louisville Free Public Library and was now in the building ready to be placed upon order of the Board.

The report of the Finance Committee was upon motion approved. The report stated that the librarian had been instructed to prepare a handbook of the library showing the amount of money spent for building construction, sites, furniture, etc. and what proportion was paid out of Carnegie and city funds; also showing the increased usefulness of the library comparing the circulation and other work this year with that of last year. It also stated that there was a cash balance May 1st of \$16,176.21.

It was moved and approved that Mr. Settle be added to committee appointed to visit Mr. Carnegie to ask for funds to erect two additional branch library buildings.

The meeting then adjourned.

Minutes approved

June 10-1914

Bennett R. Young Pres.  
W. N. Bartholomew Sec.



## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting Wednesday, June 10, at 5 P. M.

Present: Messrs. Young, Powell, Barker, Powers, Mayer, O'Brien, Whittingham, Herr, Bartholomew and Settle.

In the absence of the President, General Young presided.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Dr. Chas. R. Hemphill sent a written notice of his inability to be present at the meeting because of attendance upon the annual meeting of Directors of Central University, Danville, Ky.

Mr. Hagan's letter in reference to balance he claims due on purchase of Eastern Colored Branch Library site was received. The Board had already taken action and saw no reason why the question should be opened up again. The action as taken before allowed Mr. Hagan \$6., amount paid for recording deeds, which will be paid by the librarian upon demand.

The report of the Finance Committee through Mr. Barker, Chairman, showing a cash balance June 1st of \$7,285.07, was received and ordered filed.

The report of the Library Committee was presented through the Secretary and was as follows:

The recommendation that three electric fans be purchased, two for the Newspaper and Civics Room and one for the Eastern Colored Branch Library was approved. It was estimated that the cost of wiring the Newspaper and Civics Room would be \$4. and the fans would cost \$17.75 each.

The recommendation that Mary Mullins of the Order Department be granted six month's leave of absence without pay, beginning June 1st, was approved.

The recommendation that Elise Vitz be employed during the absence

of Miss Mullins at a salary of \$30. per month was approved.

The recommendation that a committee be appointed to supervise the moving of the museum material presented to the library by the Jefferson Institute of Arts and Sciences, was approved. Gen. Young, presiding, appointed Mr. E. J. O'Brien and Col. J. D. Powers with Mr. Settle, the Librarian, as the committee.

The following bills were approved and ordered paid:

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| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co.                                     | \$5.00 |
| American Assn. for Study and Prevention of<br>Infant Mortality | 3.11   |
| American Educational Co.                                       | 4.00   |
| Arctic Ice Co.   | 3.70   |
| Baldwin Piano Co.  | 5.00   |
| Becker, Emil   | 1.50   |
| Becker, Vernon   | 1.60   |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.                                    | 9.80   |
| Bland Electric Co.   | 17.40  |
| Boston Book Co.  | 4.00   |
| Bush-Krebs Co.   | 3.50   |
| Byrne & Speed Coal Co.   | 9.73   |
| Bywater Bros.  | 3.85   |
| Central Clipping Bureau  | 2.50   |
| Chandler, Ernest   | 3.50   |
| Clark Co. Arthur H.  | 1.80   |
| Clark Jr., Electric Co., James                                 | 19.80  |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.  | 1.55   |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.                           | 23.65  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.  | 251.40 |
| Dearing Book Shoppe  | 275.50 |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.  | 10.29  |
| Evans & Foster   | 21.05  |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.  | 13.75  |
| Finck, Carl H.   | 4.50   |
| Ford Motor Co.   | 14.90  |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.  | 11.35  |
| Germantown Printing Co.  | 97.50  |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)                               | 15.34  |
| Hanaford, H. P.  | 4.50   |
| Harrington, Mrs. G. W.   | 26.40  |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry                                      | 12.50  |
| Hiter Motor Car Co.  | 5.45   |
| International Time Recording Co.                               | 5.23   |
| Irion & Sons, Matt   | 20.00  |
| Jewish Publication Society of America                          | 3.00   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.   | 201.05 |
| Kentucky Educational Association                               | 1.00   |
| Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.                                    | 2.71   |
| Lemcke & Buechner  | 64.84  |
| Library Bureau   | 10.20  |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.                                  | 113.56 |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                                    | 13.75  |
| MacKenzie, George Norbury                                      | 15.25  |
| Matlack, Co., Claude C.  | 12.35  |

Forwarded-----\$1,352.36

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|   | Brought Forward----- | \$1,352.36      |
| Mayes Printing Co.  |                      | 2.50            |
| McBride, Nast & Co.   |                      | 4.15            |
| Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Co.                                  |                      | 6.12            |
| Milton, W. A.   |                      | 5.35            |
| Mississippi Historical Society                                      |                      | 2.00            |
| Morton & Co., John P.   |                      | 152.21          |
| Newarker, The   |                      | 1.00            |
| Nolan Bros.   |                      | 2.60            |
| Pittsburg Water Heater Co.  |                      | 10.00           |
| Prang Co.   |                      | 1.71            |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.   |                      | 5.00            |
| Remington Typewriter Co.  |                      | 65.00           |
| Rose, W. A.   |                      | 2.00            |
| Ruud Manufacturing Co.  |                      | 1.75            |
| Settle, Geo. T.   |                      | 95.75           |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian   |                      | 98.23           |
| Slaughter, T. Grant   |                      | 51.00           |
| Social Center Bureau  |                      | 1.00            |
| Southern Elevator Co.   |                      | 4.00            |
| Standard Printing Co.   |                      | 7.25            |
| Swindler Co., E. F.   |                      | 14.00           |
| T. & H. Auto Repair Co.   |                      | 2.90            |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.  |                      | 5.00            |
| Wahr, George  |                      | 2.50            |
| Warner Co., Roy E.  |                      | 33.13           |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.                                 |                      | <u>192.78</u>   |
|   |                      | \$2,121.29      |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll                              | \$765.00             |                 |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll                              | <u>3,098.10</u>      | 3,863.10        |
| Pd) Bywater Bros.   |                      | 500.00          |
| Pd) New York Exchange for the Mutual Life Insurance Co. of New York |                      | <u>7,750.00</u> |
|   | TOTAL-----           | \$14,234.39     |

Upon motion the report was adopted as a whole.

The report of the Building Committee through Mr. O'Brien, Chairman, showing progress on the work of repairs at the Main Building and recommending that necessary repairs be made on windows, was approved.

The Librarian's report for the month showing a circulation of 77,685 volumes, was received and ordered filed. The report stated that this was an increase of 7,265 volumes over May 1913 and an increase of 18,656 volumes over May 1912. The Librarian with three members of the staff attended the American Library Association meeting at Washington May 25-June 2.

The Prentice Statue Committee reported progress.

The Lincoln Bust Committee through Prof. Bartholomew, Chairman, stated the preference of Mr. Bernheim for the location of the bust in the building and asked the Board to decide the same. It was unanimously passed that it should be placed in the alcove on the second floor. As to whether any formal exercises should be had or not, is in the hands of the committee with power to act.

The committee on extending library privileges to the county made a report of progress.

The special committee to ask the Carnegie Corporation for \$50,000. to erect two additional branch buildings reported progress.

The meeting then adjourned.

Minutes Approved

July 8-1914.

Benjamin H. Gray Pres.  
W. N. Bartholomew Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting Wednesday, July 8, 1914 at 5 P. M.

Present: Young, O'Brien, Powers, Thalheimer, Barker, Mayer, Whittingham, Hemphill, Herr, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Finance Committee showing a cash balance July 1st, of \$6,595.18, was received and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for the month showed that 55,856 books were taken out for home use, an increase of 6,251 volumes over the same month last year. The report stated that the bronze bust of Abraham Lincoln was unveiled on June 27th and the George D. Prentice statue on June 29th.

The annual examination for the apprentice class which will begin in September was held on June 24th. This examination was taken by eighteen young women at the Main Library, one at Eureka, Cal. and three at the Western Colored Branch Library, a total of twenty-two persons. The papers have been carefully examined and eight show an average above 60. The others average from 34.5 up. The recommendation that the eight with an average above 60 make up the apprentice class was approved.

The bills for the month were approved:

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| Ahrens and Ott Mfg. Co.       | \$5.20       |
| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co.    | 2.65         |
| American Multigraph Sales Co. | 1.90         |
| Anderson, Margaret S.         | 1.60         |
| Arabol Mfg. Co.               | 4.80         |
| Arctic Ice Co.                | 6.20         |
| Associated Photo Co.          | 4.50         |
| Badger, Richard G.            | 1.00         |
| Baptist Book Concern          | 10.00        |
| Bates, B.                     | 14.73        |
| Bland Electric Co.            | 56.00        |
| Boston Book Co.               | 2.90         |
| Breuer and Co.                | 2.00         |
| Carter Dry Goods Co.          | 2.34         |
| Cowan & Co., Andrew           | 41.00        |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.         | 1.80         |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.            | <u>12.50</u> |

| Brought Forward-----\$                 |  |
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| Cudahy Packing Co.                     | 10.00                                    |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co. | 23.65                                    |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                      | 367.23                                   |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                    | 360.57                                   |
| Dow Wire and Iron Works                | 6.00                                     |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                    | 2.13                                     |
| Evans and Foster                       | 20.50                                    |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                    | 4.00                                     |
| Ford Motor Co.                         | 1.30                                     |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                  | 7.50                                     |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Department)  | 2.90                                     |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry              | 6.10                                     |
| Hubbuck Bros. and Wehlendorff          | 3.50                                     |
| Johns-Manville Co., H. W.              | 10.00                                    |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                     | 3.00                                     |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                 | 252.60                                   |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.          | 4.05                                     |
| Lencke and Buechner                    | 83.91                                    |
| Library Bureau                         | 121.35                                   |
| Louisville Anzeiger                    | 35.00                                    |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.        | 81.08                                    |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.          | 75.75                                    |
| Louisville Paper Co.                   | 10.08                                    |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.            | 14.75                                    |
| Marquis Co., A. N.                     | 4.75                                     |
| Mayes Printing Co.                     | 6.00                                     |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                   | 7.10                                     |
| Mooser-Hoeck Co.                       | 3.79                                     |
| Morton & Co., John P.                  | 97.75                                    |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                | 6.00                                     |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                   | 3.51                                     |
| Peter and Burghard Stone Co.           | 6.85                                     |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                    | 1.50                                     |
| Ritter and Flebbe                      | 59.00                                    |
| Robinson-Pettet Co.                    | 3.00                                     |
| Schulten & Co., John J.                | 3.05                                     |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian(Petty Cash)  | 77.77                                    |
| Southern Elevator Co.                  | 5.80                                     |
| Southern Historical Society            | 1.00                                     |
| Standard Printing Co.                  | 88.90                                    |
| Steinfeld and Jackobs                  | 52.92                                    |
| T. & H. Auto Repair Co.                | 4.95                                     |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                   | 5.00                                     |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                     | 33.51                                    |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.    | 146.69                                   |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.            | 3.00                                     |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                     | 8.80                                     |
| Williams and Wilkins Co.               | 1.00                                     |
|  | <u>1.00</u>                              |
|  | \$2,309.71                               |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll | 55.00                                    |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll | 3,585.92                                 |
|  | <u>3,640.92</u>                          |
|  | CURRENT MAINTENANCE-----\$5,950.63       |
| Pd) Wagner & Sons, J. F. Repairs       | 32.94                                    |
|  | <u>32.94</u>                             |
|  | CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL-----\$5,983.57 |

The report of the Building Committee through Mr. E. J. O'Brien  
Chairman, stated that the repairs on toilets, etc. in the basement

were about completed. The report stated that the Librarian had been instructed to retain \$3,000. to pay the repairs and improvements bills for this fiscal year. Upon motion the report was approved.

The Prentice Statue Committee reported that the statue of George D. Prentice, presented to the Library by the Louisville Courier Journal Co. through Mr. Bruce Haldeman, was unveiled on June 29th. The recommendation that the Secretary be instructed to write a letter of thanks to the Louisville Courier Journal Co. for this gift, and that the program for the exercises be spread upon the minutes was approved:

The Statue of  
GEORGE D. PRENTICE  
Presented to the  
LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
By the  
Louisville Courier Journal  
will be unveiled  
Monday, June 29, 1914, at 5 P. M.

PROGRAM

- Chairman                    Gen. Bennett H. Young
- Invocation                Rev. Julian S. Sibley
- Presentation             Hon. Henry Watterson
- Acceptance                Mayor John H. Buschemeyer
- Unveiling                 (Watterson Miller  
                              ) Annie Bruce Haldeman  
                              ( Eliza Bennett Young

Benediction

The Lincoln Bust Committee reported that the bronze bust of Abraham Lincoln, presented to the Library by Messrs. I. W. and B. Bernheim, had been transferred from the State Capitol and was unveiled on June 27th. The recommendation that the Secretary be instructed to write a letter of thanks to the Bernheim brothers for

this gift and that the program for the exercises be spread upon the minutes was approved:

The Bust Of  
ABRAHAM LINCOLN  
Presented to the  
LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
by  
I. W. and B. Bernheim  
will be received  
Saturday, June 27, 1914 at 5 P. M.

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PROGRAM

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| Chairman     | Prof. W. H. Bartholomew   |
| Invocation   | Rev. Richard Wilkinson    |
| Presentation | Rabbi Joseph Rauch        |
| Acceptance   | Mayor John H. Buschemeyer |

Benediction

The Secretary read a communication from the Birchwood Club requesting that the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library send the Treasurer of the Birchwood Club a check for an improvement assessed against the property owners of 35¢ per front foot on the property on Birchwood Avenue, for the purpose of paying for that portion of the property owned by the Louisville Free Public Library. Mr. Barker moved that the Board grant the request of the Birchwood Club and that the Librarian be authorized to send a check for the amount due as their portion of the cost of the improvement. Mr. Herr moved as an amendment to Mr. Barker's motion, that in sending the check for the improvement, the Board recognize no legal liability on their part or the part of the Louisville Free Public Library to pay for the improvement. The motion



and amendment were adopted.

The special committee on extending library privileges to Jefferson County reported that it would take up the question with the Fiscal Court at its first meeting in September. They hope to agree upon some stipulated sum to give the residents of Jefferson County the use of the Louisville Free Public Library.

The special committee appointed to ask Mr. Carnegie for \$50,000. to erect two additional branch library buildings, reported progress and ask for further time.

The meeting then adjourned.

Minutes Approved

Aug. 12, 1914

Benjamin F. Young Pres.  
W. H. Bartholomew Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting Wednesday, August 12, 1914 at 5 P. M.

Present: Young, Powers, Mayer, O'Brien, Hemphill, Herr,  
Bartholomew and Sattle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report showing a cash balance August 1st of  
\$4,275.64, was read by Dr. Mayer and on motion was ordered filed.

The Secretary informed the Board that he had in accordance  
with their instructions, written letters to the Louisville Courier  
Journal Co. and Messrs. I. W. and B. Bernheim expressing the thanks  
of the Board for their donations. The letters are as follows:

Mr. Bruce Haldeman, President,  
Louisville Courier Journal Co.,  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Sir:

I am instructed as Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library to convey to you their sincere thanks for the gift of the George D. Prentice Statue which was unveiled on the 29th ult. The Board highly appreciates your public spirit and your interest in the work of the Library.

I am, Sir, with much esteem,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) W. H. Bartholomew

Secretary.

Messrs. I. W. and B. Bernheim,  
626 W. Main St.,  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

I have been instructed by the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library to convey to you their sincere thanks for the gift of the bronze bust of Abraham Lincoln. The bust of that distinguished citizen will be a constant reminder of his loyalty and interest in the behalf of republican institutions. The Board congratulates you upon your public spirit and your interest in the work of the library.

I am, with much esteem,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) W. H. Bartholomew

Secretary

Bills for the month were regularly approved:

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| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co.                   | \$4.05 |
| Annual Review Publishing Co.                 | 4.25   |
| Arctic Ice Co.                               | 8.10   |
| Avery & Co., Samuel L.                       | 19.78  |
| Becker, Vernon                               | 6.10   |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.                  | 7.75   |
| Bittner's Sons, G.                           | 4.90   |
| Bowker, Co., R. R.                           | 4.26   |
| Burdorf-Brecher Co.                          | 1.00   |
| Bywater Bros.                                | 9.45   |
| Caron Directory Co.                          | 6.50   |
| Central Clipping Bureau                      | 2.50   |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                         | 1.35   |
| Clark Jr. Electric Co., James                | 4.62   |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                        | 3.10   |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.         | 23.65  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                            | 186.21 |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                          | 441.62 |
| Dishion, G. C.                               | 5.00   |
| Dolfinger & Co., J.                          | 2.65   |
| Dow Wire and Iron Works                      | 13.00  |
| Duncan, Chas. H.                             | 16.00  |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                          | 9.70   |
| Evans, Owsley                                | 1.50   |
| Falls City Buggy Top Co.                     | 6.25   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                          | 4.10   |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                        | 97.75  |
| Gaylord Bros.                                | 54.70  |
| German Insurance Co.                         | 15.82  |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Department)        | 71.19  |
| Harcourt & Co.                               | 9.50   |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry                    | 10.95  |
| Houlton Book Co.                             | 2.50   |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff                  | 59.48  |
| Hummel & Meyer                               | 15.84  |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                           | 8.81   |
| Kentucky and Louisville Mutual Insurance Co. | 18.00  |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                       | 538.75 |
| Kentucky Tent and Awning Co.                 | 14.25  |
| Korfhage, Herman C.                          | 11.00  |
| Lane Co., John                               | 1.72   |
| Lemcke and Buehner                           | 8.66   |
| Library Bureau                               | 69.00  |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.                | 79.23  |
| Louisville Wool Supply Co.                   | 14.00  |
| Mann, Owen F.                                | 15.84  |
| Matlack Co., Claude C.                       | 27.45  |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                         | 2.73   |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.             | 15.90  |
| Mississippi Valley Historical Association    | 2.00   |
| Morton & Co., John P.                        | 147.41 |
| National Housing Association                 | 2.00   |
| Newman, H. W.                                | 2.80   |
| Norall, Arvid                                | 9.56   |
| O'Reilly & Poutch                            | 15.84  |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                         | 13.82  |
| Pell & Bro., Wm. B.                          | 18.65  |

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| Pirtle & Weaver                                   |                           | \$73.35           |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                               |                           | 9.25              |
| Reed, Stuart F. Sec. of State, Charleston, W. Va. |                           | 1.00              |
| Reutlinger & Stith                                |                           | 15.84             |
| Robinson, Norton & Co., J. M.                     |                           | 4.20              |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian                         |                           | 119.56            |
| Southern Elevator Co.                             |                           | 4.60              |
| Standard Printing Co.                             |                           | 10.70             |
| Stewart Dry Goods Co.                             |                           | 1.80              |
| Swindler Co., E. F.                               |                           | 4.70              |
| T. & H. Auto Repair Co.                           |                           | 2.20              |
| Trumbo Co., W. B.                                 |                           | 6.75              |
| United States Tire Co.                            |                           | 21.07             |
| Veenemann Mrs. L. J.                              |                           | 5.00              |
| Wagner's Sons, J. F.                              |                           | 15.40             |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                                |                           | 25.82             |
| Watts, John R.                                    |                           | 6.05              |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.               |                           | 165.58            |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                                 |                           | 4.00              |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                                |                           | 1.85              |
|   |                           | <u>\$2,672.26</u> |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll            | 52.65                     |                   |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian " "                 | <u>3,827.22</u>           | <u>3,879.87</u>   |
|   |                           | <u>\$6,552.13</u> |
| Pd) Bohne, P. J. Treas. Birchwood Club            | 35.00                     |                   |
| Pd) Bywater Bros.                                 | 450.00                    |                   |
| Pd) Jeunesse, R.                                  | 103.75                    |                   |
| Pd) Moody-Mitchell Lumber & Bldg. Co.             | 1,000.00                  |                   |
| Pd) Moody-Mitchell Lumber & Bldg. Co.             | 900.00                    |                   |
| Pd) Murphy & Bro., D. X.                          | 176.67                    |                   |
| Pd) Pell & Bro., W. B.                            | 122.00                    |                   |
| Pd) Seelbach (New) The                            | 66.25                     | <u>2,853.67</u>   |
|   | Current Maintenance Totl. | <u>\$9,405.80</u> |
| Pd) Murphy & Bro., D. X.                          |                           | <u>540.96</u>     |
|   | TOTAL                     | <u>\$9,946.76</u> |

At a previous meeting the Librarian was authorized to entertain the members of the Indiana Library Commission Summer School. The expenditure of \$104.15 for the same, upon motion of Dr. Hemp-hill, was approved.

The Building Committee through Mr. O'Brien, Chairman, reported that the changes and repairs on toilets, Stations and Extension Department and Staff rooms in the basement, and toilets second floor, were practically completed. Payments to the amount of \$3,078. were made on these repairs leaving a balance of \$404.34 and architects fees to be paid. The report further stated that

a check for \$35. was sent to Mr. P. J. Bohne, Treasurer Birchwood Club. Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed.

Letters were read from Geo. B. Utley, Secretary American Library Association, Chicago, Ill., Henry N. Sanborn, Secretary Public Library Commission of Indiana, Indianapolis, Ind., and the members of the school in session at Hanover College, Ind., conveying thanks to the Board of Trustees and Librarian for their hospitality and entertainment during the recent visit of the Indiana Library Commission Summer School.

The Librarian's report for the month showing a circulation of 54,254 volumes, was received and ordered filed. The report stated that this was an increase of 5,137 volumes over July 1913 and included 13,796 volumes used by children.

Mr. O'Brien, Chairman of the committee to superintend the moving of the Jefferson Institute of Arts and Sciences museum collection, recently donated to the library, reported that the material had been carefully packed and delivered to the Main Library. The cases have been set up and the material is being unpacked and replaced as rapidly as possible.

The meeting then adjourned.

Minutes Approved

Sept. 9, 1914

Benjamin H. Young Pres.  
W. W. B. [unclear] Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting Wednesday, September 9, 1914 at 5 P. M.

Present: Powers, Hemphill, Powell, Mayer, Thalheimer, O'Brien, Whittingham, Herr, Bartholomew and Settle.

In the absence of the President and Vice-President, Col. Powers presided.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following letter submitted by Turner & Spencer, appointed by the Mayor to audit the books of the library, was read:

Hon. John H. Buschemeyer, Mayor,  
City of Louisville,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant with your instructions, we have made a thorough and comprehensive audit of the books and affairs of the Louisville Free Public Library.

The Receipts and Disbursements of Cash were thoroughly audited and found correct. The Cash Balance of \$397.22 agrees with the bank pass book, when considering the checks not presented to the bank for payment at Sept. 1, 1914.

The audit proved satisfactory to us in every way and the books are in very good condition.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) Turner & Spencer

The annual report of the Librarian was submitted and upon motion was accepted and ordered filed. The report stated that the circulation of books for home use for the year was 945,966 volumes, an increase of 169,312 volumes over last year, and that 36,621 reference topics were looked up at the Main library and branches, of which 21,159 were looked up in the Reference Room, 1,186 in the Newspaper and Civics Room and 14,276 at the branches. The report also showed a corresponding increase along all lines.

Dr. Mayer's motion that the librarian be authorized to have a sufficient number of copies printed to send to all the libraries, was approved.

The Librarian's report for the month showed that 56,623 volumes were taken out for home use, an increase of 7,703 volumes over August 1913.

The report of the Library Committee was presented and was as follows:

The request of the Knights of Pythias and other fraternal organizations for the use of the Assembly Room at the Western Colored Branch Library for a combined meeting of their organizations on October 13, was granted.

The recommendation that ten months' leave of absence without pay beginning October 1st, be granted Marguerite Seeley to attend the University of Chicago, was approved.

The recommendation that the Librarian be authorized to spend \$1,000. for books on the "Book Account" each month, until the budget for 1914-1915 is adopted, was approved.

The following amounts paid after last Board meeting and included in last fiscal year and in Turner and Spencer's Report, were approved:

|                      |                |              |
|----------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Duerson, Mrs. N. M.  | Research work  | \$30.00      |
| Murphy & Bro., D. X. | Repair & Imp.  | 154.13       |
| Smith & Sons, Guy W. | Transportation | <u>35.00</u> |
|                      |                | \$219.13     |

The Treasurer's report for the fiscal year was submitted by Dr. Mayer and approved. The report showed there was a cash balance on hand Sept. 1st of \$397.22. It was moved and approved that the Treasurer be authorized to borrow sufficient funds to pay current expenses until the budget for 1914-1915 is adopted.

The report of the Building Committee was submitted by Mr. E. J. O'Brien, and stated that the changes and repairs, including the fitting

up of the Newspaper and Civics Room, Stations and Extension quarters, redecoration and furnishing of the staff room, enlarging of toilets, etc. have been completed. The report, upon motion, was received and ordered filed.

The following bills for the month were read and approved:

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| Ahrens & Ott Mfg. Co.                  | 7.00   |
| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co.             | 1.45   |
| Arabol Mfg. Co.                        | 4.80   |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.          | 2.50   |
| Arctic Ice Co.                         | 7.85   |
| Beilstein & Co., J. W.                 | 39.60  |
| Bland Electric Co.                     | 6.15   |
| Boston Book Co.                        | 1.15   |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                      | 2.00   |
| Brown, R. W.                           | 3.70   |
| Central Clipping Bureau                | 2.50   |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                  | 3.10   |
| Crutcher Bros Co.                      | 5.00   |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co. | 24.65  |
| Davis & Co., H. V.                     | 35.64  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                      | 137.20 |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                    | 287.55 |
| Dodd, Mead & Co.                       | 9.96   |
| Dow Wire & Iron Works                  | 13.20  |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                    | 11.76  |
| Eveubg Post Co.                        | 25.00  |
| Falls City Byggy Top Co.               | 2.00   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                    | 13.20  |
| Ford Motor Co.                         | 11.35  |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                  | 35.15  |
| Gaylord Bros.                          | 10.50  |
| German Publication Society             | 18.00  |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)       | 19.51  |
| Harrington, Mrs. G. W.                 | 26.95  |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry              | 1.50   |
| Houlton Book Co.                       | 11.25  |
| Journal of Labor                       | 15.00  |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                 | 252.85 |
| Knox School of Applied Salesmanship    | 1.40   |
| Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.            | 3.78   |
| Lemcke & Buechner                      | 6.67   |
| Levy Bros.                             | 3.00   |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.        | 89.50  |
| Louisville Paper Co.                   | 2.58   |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.            | 14.75  |
| Masonic History Co.                    | 12.00  |
| Matlack Co., Claude C.                 | 14.00  |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                   | 193.62 |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.       | 9.29   |
| Moody-Mitchell Lumber and Building Co. | 1.25   |
| Morton & Co., John P.                  | 9.75   |
| Municipal Journal                      | 3.00   |
| New Era Publishing Co.                 | 15.00  |
| New York Times Index                   | 8.00   |



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| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                     | 17.31  |
| Ray, P. S. Clerk, Jefferson County Court | 2.50   |
| Rose, W. A.                              | 1.75   |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian                | 149.08 |
| Shepherd, Lilian McG.                    | 3.00   |
| Southern Elevator Co.                    | 9.80   |
| Spectator Co.                            | 10.00  |
| Starr, Frederick                         | 1.10   |
| Stewart Dry Goods Co.                    | 16.92  |
| Struck Co. Alfred                        | 1.40   |
| T. & H. Auto Repair Co.                  | 9.85   |
| Turner & Spencer                         | 100.00 |
| Van Dort Co., G. Broes                   | 1.65   |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                     | 5.00   |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                       | 16.05  |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.      | 186.74 |
| Wolfe, Dr. C. T.                         | 5.00   |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                       | 1.80   |
| Wren, Christopher                        | 1.00   |

\$1,976.56

Pd)Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll

3,238.57

CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL-----\$5,715.13

The meeting then adjourned.

Minutes Approved

14 Oct. 19.4

W. M. Baker Pres.

W. N. Partridge Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting Wednesday, October 14, 1914 at 5 P. M.

Present: Hemphill, Mayer, Barker, O'Brien, Thalheimer, Herr, Whittingham and Settle.

In the absence of the President and Vice-President, upon motion, Mr. Barker presided.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report showing a cash balance October 1st of \$2,140.59 was read by Dr. Mayer and upon motion was received and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for the month was received and ordered filed. The report showed that 68,839 volumes were taken out for home use, an increase of 1,544 volumes over the corresponding month last year. This circulation included 24,933 volumes read by children and 5,707 volumes circulated through the stations.

No member of the Library Committee being present, the Librarian asked the privilege of reading to the Board his recommendations to the committee. Upon motion this was allowed. The report follows:

"It is recommended that the Librarian be authorized to enter subscriptions for the Main library and branches as heretofore, not to exceed \$2,021.25, the cost last year. It is necessary to enter subscriptions in November to avoid any delay or breaks in volumes, and I hope this will be allowed.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure for Current Maintenance of \$6,849.97 is submitted for your approval. The report totals \$6,849.97 of which amount \$3,939.00, pay roll, and \$404.34, repairs and improvements, has been approved by the Library Committee and Building Committee Chairmen and paid. This leaves a balance of \$2,506.63, covered by voucher #6245 and checks #2347 to 2415 inclusive, to be paid. These are submitted for your approval."

Upon motion the Librarian was authorized to enter subscriptions as heretofore and the following bills were read, explained

and approved for payment:

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|--------------------------------------|--------|
| Altsheler & Co.                      | 6.50   |
| A. L. A. Publishing Board            | 3.60   |
| Arctic Ice Co.                       | 5.60   |
| Associated Photo Co.                 | 1.50   |
| Baker & Taylor Co.                   | 131.59 |
| Baptist Book Concern                 | 2.50   |
| Becker, Emil                         | 4.40   |
| Becker, Vernon                       | 5.05   |
| Bland Electric Co.                   | 1.50   |
| Burdorf-Brecher Co.                  | 1.00   |
| Bush-Krebs Co.                       | 14.60  |
| Central Clipping Bureau              | 2.50   |
| Cincinnati Medical Book Co.          | 2.00   |
| Clark Jr. Electric Co., James        | 3.60   |
| Clark Co., John                      | 1.25   |
| Columbia Carbon Co.                  | 10.20  |
| Cowan & Co., Andrew                  | 2.00   |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                | 1.90   |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.                   | 17.00  |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co. | 24.65  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                    | 301.68 |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                  | 476.48 |
| Dodd, Mead & Co.                     | 10.92  |
| Dow Wire and Iron Works              | 4.50   |
| Duncan, C. H.                        | 4.50   |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                  | 8.84   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                  | 3.00   |
| Ford Motor Co.                       | 8.20   |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                | 5.75   |
| Gray & Son, J. S.                    | 19.79  |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)     | 29.25  |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry            | 3.10   |
| Hesse, H.                            | 10.00  |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff          | 2.35   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.               | 419.40 |
| Koffhage, Herman C.                  | 8.50   |
| Lemcke & Buechner                    | 3.00   |
| Library Bureau                       | 57.70  |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.        | 96.91  |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.        | 76.05  |
| Louisville Paper Co.                 | 23.25  |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.          | 15.00  |
| Mayes Printing Co.                   | 27.00  |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                 | 8.86   |
| Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Co.   | 6.40   |
| Milton, W. A.                        | 4.75   |
| Morton & Co., John P.                | 106.20 |
| National Municipal League            | 5.00   |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                 | 2.50   |
| Pell & Bro., W. B.                   | 9.00   |
| Poor's Railroad Manual Co.           | 7.50   |
| Remington Typewriter Co.             | 3.60   |
| Scanlon Coal Co.                     | 94.70  |
| Scribner's Sons, Chas.               | 4.64   |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian            | 117.68 |
| Southern Elevator Co.                | 6.80   |
| Standard Printing Co.                | 10.40  |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.                | 1.50   |

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| Stewart Dry Goods Co.                       | 9.23   |
| Student Volunterr Movement Foreign Missions | 1.00   |
| T. & H. Auto Repair Co.                     | 9.93   |
| Tafel, Herman C.                            | 1.00   |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                        | 5.00   |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                          | 9.25   |
| Watts, John R.                              | 3.15   |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.         | 202.83 |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.                 | 3.00   |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                           | 12.20  |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                          | 2.40   |

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|  | \$2,506.63      |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll | <u>3,939.00</u> |

\$6,445.63 c

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| Pd) Bywater Bros. Repairs               | \$275.00      |               |
| Pd) Marine Electric Co.                 | 18.47         |               |
| Pd) Moody-Mitchell Lumber and Bldg. Co. | <u>110.87</u> | <u>404.34</u> |

CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL---\$6,849.97 ✓

The following letter from Kaufman-Straus Co. was submitted by Mr. E. J. O'Brien, Chairman Building Committee:

Mr. George T. Settle, Librarian  
Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

We wish to ask the Board of the Public Library to grant us permission to build a shed roof over the rear platform in the alley in order that our wagon drivers and chauffeurs in loading the wagons do not have to stand in the rain hereafter. Dimensions of this roof will be as follows: Supports will consist of three 8" eye beams, suspended from wall to wall and each end extending into the walls. The eye beam will be placed 9'6" on center and the rafters will be 2" x 8" placed 16" on center, and 12' long, lapped on center eye beam and spiked together, shed will be sheeted solid and covered with felt roofing.

Yours truly,

Kaufman-Straus Co.

Per (Signed) J.B. Judah Mgr.

Mr. Herr moved, seconded by Dr. Hemphill, that the matter be referred to the Building Committee with power to act. The same was approved.

Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Special Committee to ask for additional funds for branch libraries from Mr. Carnegie, reported that nothing further had been done in the matter, and that his personal opinion was that we should defer action until later on account of the war.

The meeting then adjourned.

Minutes Approved

Nov. 11-1914

E. J. Mullins Pres.

Geo. T. Settle asst.  
Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting Wednesday, November 11, 1914 at 5 P. M.

Present: Mullins, Powers, Barker, Mayer, Thalheimer, Herr, Whittingham, Bartholomew and Settle.

In the absence of the president and vice-president, Dr. Mullins presided.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from Mr. Alfred Herr Hite in reference to the purchase of Indian relics was received and ordered filed.

The following letter advising of the action of the Building Committee in regard to erecting a shed over platform at the public library building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Co. was read and approved:

Kaufman-Straus Co.,  
437 S. Fourth Ave.,  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

Your letter of October 10, 1914 asking permission to build a shed over platform in rear of public library building was referred to the Library Board at their regular meeting, October 14. The matter was referred to the Building Committee with power to act.

I am instructed by the Committee to say that you are privileged to erect a shed or cover over this platform, without cost to the library, but that it must comply with the requirements of the Kentucky Actuarial Bureau of Fire Insurance.

I am enclosing a copy of their letter for your information as to what will be permitted under the present insurance rate.

I hope this meets with your approval; if not, please advise me.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Geo. T. Settle

Librarian

The following communication from Kaufman-Straus Co. was read:

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October 26, 1914.

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Mr. George T. Settle, Librarian,  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
City.

Dear Sir:

We have about decided to install a package chute from our Second floor into the basement so as to facilitate the sending out of our packages. This chute will be located in the court on the north side of the building and we herewith enclose drawings of same. Please put this before your committee and let us have your permit as early as possible and greatly oblige,

Yours very truly,

The Kaufman-Straus Co.

Per J. B. Judah Mgr.

JB/JNB

The matter was referred to the Building Committee with power to act.

The following memorandum was presented by the Librarian:

6 November 1914

Miss Yunker, Mrs. Varble, Mrs. Grant, Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Leech, a committee representing the Outdoor Art League, request that the Board appropriate \$100. for plants and permit Mrs. Annette McCrea, landscape gardener, recommended by Mrs. Leech, to draw plans and specifications for improving the library grounds. The committee assures us that the cost will be only \$100. for plans and that the Park Board will furnish soil, trees, and do the planting of trees and shrubs under the direction of Mrs. McCrea.

This request, except permitting Mrs. McCrea to draw plans and specifications, was acted on at the Board meeting Nov. 12, 1913 and the \$100. allowed provided "that the work be done under the direction of the Building Committee".

Mrs. James A. Leech, representing the committee, was present and asked to address the meeting. Upon motion the matter was referred to the Building Committee with power to act.

The Treasurer's report showing a cash balance November 1st of \$4,694.54, was read by Mr. Barker and upon motion was received and ordered filed.

Mr. Barker also submitted report of the Finance Committee which

included the budget for the ensuing year which is as follows:

RECEIPTS

|                                  |                 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| City Taxes                       | \$63,288.32     |
| Rents                            | 36,059.70       |
| Fines and Miscellaneous receipts | <u>2,868.77</u> |
|                                  | 102,216.79      |
| Balance on hand Sept. 1, 1914    | <u>397.22</u>   |
|                                  | \$102,614.01    |

EXPENDITURES

|   |                    |
|---|--------------------|
| Expense                                   | 6,630.51           |
| Light, heat and power                     | 7,939.51           |
| Furniture and fixtures                    | 1,000.00           |
| Repair and improvements                   | <u>*2,000.00</u>   |
|   | 17,570.02          |
| Pay Roll-Libr. & Assts. 41,070.00         |                    |
| Janitor's and other labor <u>7,486.50</u> | <u>48,556.50</u>   |
|   | 66,126.52          |
| Insurance                                 | 500.00             |
| Interest on Mortgage, etc.                | <u>15,770.82</u>   |
|   | 82,397.34          |
| Books                                     | <u>**20,216.67</u> |
|   | \$102,614.01       |

\*The architects recommendation for repairs not included.

\*\*This will be reduced if other accounts exceed the estimate and all balances are to be added to the book account.

Upon motion the same was approved and adopted.

The following resolution, prepared by the Finance Committee at their meeting Nov. 9, was submitted to the Board and adopted:

"The Library Board represents to the Committee on the City Tax rate that the rapid and constant extension of the work of the Library, needed repairs upon the main library building, and the public demand for the purchase of books in larger number, would prompt the Board to make the earnest request that  $3\frac{1}{4}\%$  be allowed the library. The Board, however, is aware of the heavy demands upon the City Treasury, and the necessity, under present business conditions, for strict economy in all departments of the City Government, and therefore asks for only  $3\%$ , the same rate as last year, and assures the committee and the City Administration that the Board will, with the amount allowed by this rate, serve the public to the best of its ability."

The Librarian's report for October, showing an increase in



circulation of 8,442 volumes over the same month last year, was received and ordered filed. The report stated that a comparative table had been compiled of thirty-three cities supporting large libraries and that Louisville ranks 19 in circulation, 27 in appropriation for library purposes from city taxes, 21 in volumes in library and 21 in the number of citizens using the library.

Col. Powers asked to be excused. A quorum remaining, this was granted.

The report of the Library Committee was submitted. It was moved by Mr. Thalheimer and seconded by Mr. Barker that the same be approved and the following bills ordered paid:

|                                      |        |
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| Adjutant General State of Kentucky   | 1.50   |
| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co.           | 10.30  |
| Altsheler & Co.                      | 1.00   |
| American Educational Co.             | 4.00   |
| A. I. A. Publishing Board            | 1.25   |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.        | 3.75   |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                | 44.06  |
| Arctic Ice Co.                       | 4.50   |
| Baker & Taylor Co.                   | 10.28  |
| Avery & Co., Samuel Co.              | 34.89  |
| Baptist Book Concern                 | 13.68  |
| Baptist World Publishing Co.         | 4.50   |
| Bayly & Co., J. W. E.                | 11.88  |
| Becker, Emil                         | 5.35   |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.          | 8.55   |
| Bland Electric Co.                   | 30.30  |
| Bourne and Bond                      | 7.50   |
| Carpenter & Dudley                   | 11.88  |
| Central Clipping Bureau              | 2.50   |
| Chivers Book Binding Co.             | 37.40  |
| Clark Jr. Electric Co., James        | 1.60   |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                | 1.55   |
| Cudahy Packing Co.                   | 10.00  |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co. | 25.20  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                    | 539.89 |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                  | 705.11 |
| Dugan & Co., Thos. S.                | 11.85  |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                  | 15.42  |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                  | 4.75   |
| Finck, Carl H.                       | 3.00   |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                | 13.50  |
| German Publication Society           | 18.00  |
| Germantown News                      | 15.00  |
| Germantown Printing Co.              | 97.50  |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)     | 12.47  |
| Hager Co., C. C.                     | 4.80   |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                   | 9.91   |

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| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.              | 879.90 |
| Knight, I. I.                       | 4.00   |
| Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.         | 8.48   |
| Library Bureau                      | 15.00  |
| Louisville Auto Supply Co.          | 1.50   |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.       | 125.49 |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.       | 33.25  |
| Louisville Paper Co.                | 25.38  |
| Louisville Tent & Awning Co.        | 2.00   |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.         | 14.75  |
| Mann, Owen R.                       | 7.92   |
| Manual Arts Press                   | 1.50   |
| Matlack Co., Claude C.              | 17.75  |
| Mayes Printing Co.                  | 17.25  |
| Mengel Box Co.                      | 31.00  |
| Menne Factory, Frank A.             | 37.44  |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.    | 4.70   |
| Milton, W. A.                       | 5.40   |
| Morton & Co., John P.               | 118.35 |
| Municipal Journal                   | 3.00   |
| Neville, Kellner & Co.              | 3.30   |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.             | 8.46   |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                | 4.25   |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                 | 7.00   |
| Remington Typewriter Co.            | 77.75  |
| Scanlon Coal Co.                    | 62.85  |
| Scribner's Sons, Charles            | 6.00   |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian           | 79.44  |
| Southern Elevator Co.               | 4.00   |
| Standard Printing Co.               | 5.00   |
| Stewart Dry Goods Co.               | 5.00   |
| T. and H. Auto Repair Co.           | 5.75   |
| The Text Book Co.                   | 9.38   |
| Timberlake & Trueheart              | 32.29  |
| United States Tire Co.              | 21.07  |
| Ueeneman, Mrs. L. J.                | 5.00   |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                  | 11.82  |
| Watts, John R.                      | 34.45  |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. | 594.91 |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                  | 19.20  |

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|                                | \$4,089.60 | c        |   |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian  | Pay Roll   | 3,827.40 | c |
| Pd) D. X. Murphy & Bro., D. X. | Repairs    | 456.64   | a |

Current Maintenance Total \$8,373.64 c

Mr. Whittingham insisted that the bills be read. At the conclusion of his remarks, the chairman submitted Mr. Thalheimer's motion and the same was adopted, whereupon Mr. Whittingham retired from the meeting and the Board adjourned.

Minutes Approved

Dec. 9, 1914

J. W. Parnes Pres.

M. H. B. [Signature] Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting December 9, 1914 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's  
Office

Present: Messrs. Young, Powers, Barker, Mayer, Hemphill,  
Mullins, Herr, Thalheimer, Whittingham, Bartholomew and Settle.

In the absence of the President and Vice-president, Col.  
Powers was called upon to preside.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A letter under date Nov. 19 was submitted from Charles  
Francis Browne, Supt. U. S. Section, Department of Fine Arts,  
Panama-Pacific International Exposition. Mr. Browne requested  
the loan of the picture "The Windy Day" by Alexander H. Wyant to  
exhibit at the Exposition. His request was granted on condition  
that no expense be incurred by the Board and that the picture be  
returned in good condition.

Gen. Young came in and took the chair.

A letter from the Stewart Dry Goods Co. was read and upon  
motion was referred to the Library Committee with instructions  
to consider the same, and report at the next regular meeting.

Mr. Barker presented the Treasurer's report and the same  
was ordered filed.

The action of the Building Committee on the request of  
Kaufman-Straus Co. is shown in the following letter:

24 November 1914

Kaufman-Straus Co.,  
Fourth Avenue,  
Louisville, Ky.

Attention Mr. J.B. Judah

Gentlemen:

Your letter of Oct. 26 asking permission to  
install a package chute from the second floor to the base-  
ment in the public library building occupied by yourself  
was referred by the Library Board at their meeting Nov.  
11, to the Building Committee with power to act.

I am instructed by the committee to say that you are privileged to erect this chute, without cost to the library, in the north area of the building. This, we understand, will necessitate the cutting of a hole in the wall on the second floor and the entrance through a window in the basement according to pencil sketch which you submitted.

You are privileged to erect this chute provided it complies with the requirements of the Kentucky Actuarial Bureau of Fire Insurance. I am enclosing copy of their letter for your information which says that the placing of this chute, according to the pencil sketch, will be permitted under the present insurance rate. I hope this meets with your approval.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Geo. T. Settle

Librarian

The Library Committee through the two members present, Messrs. Powers and Bartholomew, submitted for the action of the Board the payment of the employees before the Christmas holidays, which was approved.

They also submitted for the action of the Board the bills for the month. Mr. Whittingham asked that the bills be read, which the Chairman approved. Mr. Barker appealed from the decision of the chair, whereupon the ayes and nays were called, with the following result: Young, yes, Mayer, no, Thalheimer, no, Whittingham, yes, Hemphill, yes, Mullins, no, Barker, no, Herr, no. Messrs. Powers and Bartholomew were excused from voting, inasmuch as they are members of the Library Committee. There were five nays and three ayes, whereupon the decision of the chair was not sustained.

Following are the bills for the month:

|                            |       |
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| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co. | 3.30  |
| A. L. A. Publishing Board  | 12.00 |
| Arctic Ice Co.             | 4.05  |
| Becker, Emil               | 3.00  |
| Bittner's Sons, G.         | 1.50  |
| Bland Electric Co.         | 11.45 |
| Bowker Co., R. R.          | 14.00 |
| Carter Dry Goods Co.       | 2.35  |

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| Clark Jr. Electric Co., James                         | 14.90         |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                                 | 1.50          |
| Crisis, The   | 2.00          |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.                | 24.65         |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                                     | 336.02        |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                                     | 1798.15       |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                                   | 279.64        |
| Duncan, C. H.   | 4.30          |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                                   | 4.59          |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                                   | 1.60          |
| Finck, Carl H.  | 1.75          |
| Gaylord Bros.   | 54.70         |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)                      | 30.71         |
| Harrington, Mrs. G. W.                                | 26.40         |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry                             | 1.40          |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff                           | 12.50         |
| Hyatt Repair Co.                                      | 13.00         |
| Imperial Wire and Iron Works                          | 8.90          |
| International Textbook Co.                            | 4.26          |
| Kennedy Co., John Boyd                                | 21.45         |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                                | 260.45        |
| Koshler Stamp & Stencil Co.                           | 2.16          |
| Lemcke and Buechner                                   | 1.12          |
| Library Bureau  | 83.22         |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.                         | 144.84        |
| Louisville Paper Co.                                  | 2.58          |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                           | 14.85         |
| Maddox & Pearse                                       | 1.10          |
| Masson & Co., J. B.                                   | 4.50          |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                                  | 2.11          |
| Morton & Co., John P.                                 | 126.96        |
| Nisbet, W. W.   | 2.00          |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                                  | 2.75          |
| Professional Memoirs                                  | 3.00          |
| Putnam's Sons, G. P.                                  | 2.39          |
| Robinson, Nerton & Co., J. M.                         | 4.09          |
| Scanlon Coal Co.                                      | 85.40         |
| Schulten & Co., Jno. J.                               | 3.05          |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian                             | 63.63         |
| Special Libraries Association                         | 2.00          |
| Veeder Mfg. Co.                                       | 2.07          |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                                  | 5.00          |
| Virginia Historical Society                           | 5.00          |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                                    | 4.57          |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.                   | 546.91        |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                                     | 101.20        |
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|   | \$4,171.02 c  |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Pay Roll                          | 3,828.00 c    |
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| Current Maintenance Total                             | \$7,999.02    |
| Pd) Mutual Life Insurance Co.<br>of New York Interest | 7,750.00 e    |
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| TOTAL-----  | \$15,749.02 c |

Col. Powers asked to be excused on account of the illness of his wife. His request was granted.

Gen. Young asked that the committee on extending library privileges to citizens in the county be called by the Secretary to meet in his office at 12 o'clock Saturday, Dec. 12, 1914.

The Committee to secure funds from the Carnegie Corporation through its chairman, Mr. Barker, asked for further time which was granted.

The Librarian's report for November showed that 99,201 volumes were read in the homes of our citizens, this being the second largest monthly circulation in the history of the library. an increase of 8,326 volumes over November 1913.

The meeting then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Jan. 12 1915

Bennett H. Young Pres.  
B. W. Hutchinson Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting January 13, 1915 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Messrs. Young, Thalheimer, Hemphill, Mayer, Whittingham, Herr, Barker, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A letter from the American Library Association Committee, requesting an appropriation of \$100. for an exhibit in the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, was read. Upon motion of Dr. Hemphill it was unanimously agreed to appropriate \$100. for this purpose.

A letter was read from Wm. J. McConathy asking the Board to inaugurate a series of scientific lectures. Upon motion of Mr. Barker, the question of a series of popular lectures for the library was referred to the Library Committee with instructions to consider the same and report at the next regular meeting.

The Treasurer's report was submitted through Mr. Barker, Chairman, and was ordered filed.

The report of the Librarian for the month was read, and contained the following interesting items: There were 85,763 volumes circulated during the month, an increase of 5,783 over the same month last year. There were 300 new borrowers registered, making a total of 51,363 citizens using the library. The visitors to the Newspaper and Civics Room numbered 2,850, and to the museum 2,045.

Upon motion of Mr. Thalheimer, the Secretary was requested to write letters of condolence to Dr. E. Y. Mullins and Col. Powers; the former having lost his mother by death and the latter his wife.

Mr. Ben J. Brumleve, a member of the Board of Park Commissioners, and a resident of the West end, was present representing a committee

asking for a branch library on West Broadway. Mr. Brumleve was invited to address the Board and showed the necessity of a branch library in the Shawnee section of our city. In the course of his remarks, he stated that the citizens in that part of the city were in a position to donate a site, 100 by 200 feet, on the south side of Broadway between Thirty-ninth and Fortieth Streets. Upon motion of Mr. Thalheimer the matter was referred to the Building Committee to investigate and report at the next meeting.

The Library Committee to whom was referred the complaint of Stewart Dry Goods Co., submitted an elaborate report in which the testimony in the case together with the recommendations of the committee was submitted to the Board. Mr. Barker moved that the report be received and that the Committee be thanked for the same.

The action of the Building Committee on the request of the Outdoor Art League is shown in the following letter:

24 November 1914

Mrs. James A. Leech, )  
Miss Emilie Yunker, )  
Mrs. John H. Miller )  
and others of Committee from Outdoor Art League

Mesdames:

Your request to the Library Board that Mrs. Annette McCrea, landscape gardener, be permitted to draw plans and specifications for improving and beautifying the library grounds, was considered at the regular meeting of the Library Board on Nov. 11. The matter was referred to the Building Committee with power to act.

The following is the unanimous report of this committee: "we are willing to consider plans for beautifying the grounds provided the Park Board will co-operate in the work and give assurance of assistance and let us know to what extent they will render assistance. We must know what is proposed before we take final action. Any work done is to be under the direction of the Building Committee and without cost to the library".



VERIFIED

If this action meets with your approval, will you let us know at your earliest convenience just what you propose to do so it may be taken up by the Building Committee for final action?

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Geo. T. Settle

• Librarian

GTS/A.

Gen. Young as Chairman of the Special Committee on County Privileges, stated that Mr. Barker, Mr. Settle and himself, the Committee excepting Mr. O'Brien who was sick, had appeared before the Fiscal Court and offered to extend library privileges to residents of the County outside the City of Louisville, and hoped for favorable action. The report of the Committee including the typewritten copy of the order was approved without being read and upon motion was accepted and ordered filed.

Gen. Young presented a letter from Mr. Champ Clark upholding him in his ruling at the last Board meeting regarding the reading of bills.

Gen. Young stated that the bills had been examined and approved by Prof. Bartholomew and himself, the only members of the Library Committee present, and upon motion of Mr. Thalheimer the bills for the month were ordered paid:

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| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co.             | \$5.75 |
| American Printing House for the Blind  | 60.40  |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                  | 2.20   |
| Arabol Mfg. Co.                        | 4.80   |
| Arctic Ice Co.                         | 3.40   |
| Becker, Emil                           | 1.95   |
| Becker, Vernon                         | 1.20   |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.            | 1.90   |
| Bland Electric Co.                     | 7.70   |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                   | 4.50   |
| Clegg & Co., F. A.                     | 54.21  |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                  | 1.55   |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co. | 24.65  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                      | 453.82 |

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| Dearing Book Shoppe                           | \$535.37 |
| Duncan, C. H.                                 | 2.25     |
| Dye Mfg. Co., M. B.                           | 1.25     |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                           | 2.50     |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                         | 45.25    |
| German Publication Society                    | 13.50    |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)              | 32.18    |
| Harcourt & Co.                                | 3.50     |
| Hyatt Repair Co.                              | 12.55    |
| Imperial Wire and Iron Works                  | 10.90    |
| India Rubber World                            | 10.00    |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                            | 85.01    |
| Kennedy Co., John Boyd                        | 9.35     |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                        | 371.30   |
| Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind         | 10.90    |
| Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.                   | 8.25     |
| Korfhage, Herman C.                           | 2.00     |
| Library of Congress                           | 100.00   |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.                 | 156.77   |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.                 | 75.75    |
| Louisville Paper Co.                          | 6.50     |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                   | 14.80    |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                          | 6.94     |
| Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Co.            | 7.95     |
| Milton, W. A.                                 | 3.90     |
| Morton & Co., John P.                         | 15.46    |
| National Conference of Charities & Correction | 1.60     |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                       | 1.81     |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                          | 3.00     |
| Scanlon Coal Co.                              | 202.40   |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian (Petty Cash)        | 80.39    |
| Southern Elevator Co.                         | 14.80    |
| Standard Printing Co.                         | 12.35    |
| Strauss Grocery Co., Julius                   | 1.75     |
| Struck Co., Alfred                            | 41.40    |
| United States Tire Co.                        | 15.16    |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                          | 5.00     |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                            | 10.59    |
| Watts, John R.                                | 2.40     |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.           | 651.83   |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.                   | 3.00     |
| Wurlitzer Co., Rudolph                        | 5.00     |

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| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll | \$3,224.64 e      |
|  | <u>3,986.35 e</u> |

TOTAL-----\$7,210.99 e

Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Special Committee to ask Mr. Carnegie for funds to erect additional branch buildings, said he had nothing further to report.

The meeting then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Feb. 10 1915

Benjamin J. [Signature] Pres.  
[Signature] Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting February 10, 1915 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Messrs. Young, Mullins, Barker, Thalheimer, O'Brien, Lauer, Herr, Whittingham, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary stated that he had in accordance with the instructions of the Board written letters of condolence to Dr. Mullins and Col. Powers.

The Treasurer's report was submitted through Mr. Barker and was received and ordered filed.

Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Committee to ask Mr. Carnegie for funds to erect additional branch libraries asked for further time, which was granted.

The report of the Library Committee was presented by the Secretary and was as follows:

The recommendation that the Library Committee with the Librarian issue a booklet commemorating the Tenth anniversary of the Library, which is on May 5th, to include the rules and information for the public was approved.

The Secretary was instructed to write a letter of condolence to Mr. E. A. Mullins on the death of Mary Reger Mullins January 28, who was connected with the Order and Accession Department since December 1912.

The recommendation that Elise H. Vitz, who has been substituting in the Order Department since April 1914, be appointed to a position on the staff at a salary of \$35. per month, and assigned to work in the Order Department was approved.

The offer of the Abraham Lodge #8, F. & A. M., to pay for the printing of a bibliography of books in the library on Freemasonry and allied subjects was accepted, and the Librarian instructed to

have the list compiled.

The bills for the month, which had been examined and approved by Gen. Young and Prof. Bartholomew, the only members of the Library Committee present, upon motion of Mr. Thalheimer, seconded by Mr. O'Brien, were approved:

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| Altscheler & Co.                               | 4.00   |
| American Library Association                   | 5.00   |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                          | 11.67  |
| Andover Press                                  | 3.25   |
| Arctic Ice Co.                                 | 2.35   |
| Associated Photo Co.                           | 5.00   |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.                    | 9.40   |
| Bland Electric Co.                             | 7.40   |
| Brown, R. W.                                   | 5.15   |
| Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh                 | 1.00   |
| City Club of Chicago                           | 2.00   |
| Clark Jr. Electric Co., James                  | 7.80   |
| Clegg and Co., F. A.                           | 3.95   |
| Conference for Education in the South          | 2.00   |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                          | 1.55   |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.           | 24.65  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                              | 722.05 |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                            | 800.67 |
| Dinkelspiel, Blanche                           | 6.30   |
| Dodd, Robert H.                                | 8.26   |
| Dodd, Mead & Co.                               | 5.46   |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                            | 9.76   |
| Eckenroth, Pauline                             | 17.00  |
| Elm Tree Press                                 | 3.00   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                            | 38.25  |
| Finck, Carl H.                                 | 4.50   |
| Franck, Chas. V.                               | 2.80   |
| Gamble, Mrs. T. H., Treas. Drama League        | 2.00   |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order and Accession Dept.) | 35.89  |
| Gurewitch, M.                                  | 69.56  |
| Hager Co., C. C.                               | 3.00   |
| Harcourt & Co.                                 | 7.00   |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff                    | 13.75  |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                          | 4.05   |
| Imperial Wire and Iron Works                   | 4.20   |
| International Textbook Co.                     | 4.28   |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                             | 178.82 |
| Kennedy Co., John Boyd                         | 7.10   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                         | 318.95 |
| Kentucky State Historical Society              | 1.50   |
| Knauth, Nachod and Kuhne                       | 8.93   |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.                  | 3.45   |
| Lampton Crane & Pamey Co.                      | 18.64  |
| Library Bureau                                 | 105.73 |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.                | 157.57 |
| Louisville Paper Co.                           | 16.25  |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                    | 14.80  |
| Mayer Printing Co.                             | 7.75   |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                           | 8.81   |

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| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.            | 4.15   |
| Moody-Mitchell Lumber and Building Co.      | 6.00   |
| Morton & Co., John P.                       | 140.42 |
| National Association of Corporation Schools | 6.00   |
| National Conference on City Planning        | 2.17   |
| Neville, Kellner & Co.                      | 1.50   |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                        | 4.35   |
| Pittsburg Water Heater Co.                  | 2.35   |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                         | 72.45  |
| Recktenwald Bros.                           | 1.50   |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                    | 3.50   |
| Ritter and Flebbe                           | 8.00   |
| Scanlon Enal Co.                            | 116.10 |
| Schirmer, G.                                | 1.99   |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian, Petty Cash       | 67.17  |
| Southern Elevator Co.                       | 28.60  |
| Standard Printing Co.                       | 2.25   |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.                       | 58.88  |
| University of Chicago Press                 | 1.86   |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                        | 5.00   |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                          | 4.20   |
| Watts, John R.                              | 13.10  |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.         | 632.42 |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                           | 1.00   |

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|   | \$3,891.21  | ← |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll              | 3,837.25    | ← |
| Pd) Louisville Trust Co. Bills Payable and Interest | 5,129.16    | ← |
| TOTAL-----  | \$12,857.62 | ← |

The Committee on County Privileges made the following report:

"The Chairman of the Special Committee on County Privileges submitted a report on January 27th anticipating favorable action on the part of the Fiscal Court.

The Committee appointed by the Fiscal Court to consider this matter recommended that the Court accept our proposition. The report of this Committee was presented by Justice Wheeler, Chairman of the Committee, and was moved to be accepted by Justice Crawford and seconded by Justice Dorsey. As a Substitute it was moved by Justice Muenninghoff and seconded by Justice Schulman that the matter be laid on the table, which carried by the following vote: Ayes: Muenninghoff, Dacher, Schulman, Samuels and Greene; Nays: Dorsey, Wheeler, Crawford and Sullivan."

Upon motion this was received, the Committee discharged and the proposition to the County withdrawn.

The Librarian's report was read by the Secretary and showed that 97,953 volumes were circulated during the month of January, an increase of 5,775 volumes over the same month last year. The report showed that 4,707 reference topics were looked up at the Main library and branches, 12 reference lists compiled and 458 books and magazines

loaned for reference work. The visitors to the Newspaper and Civics Room numbered 3,398. Upon motion the report was received and ordered filed.

Mr. O'Brien, Chairman of the Building Committee, stated that the Committee reported adversely to the appropriation of \$100. to beautify the grounds around the Main library, and suggested that this work should not be undertaken until the full amount necessary to carry out the plans of Olmsted Bros., landscape gardeners, could be appropriated. The same was approved by the Board.

The Committee's recommendation that an additional book case be built for the Kentucky collection was approved.

Mr. O'Brien reported that the request of the citizens of the West End through Mr. Brumleve to establish a branch library on West Broadway had been considered by the Committee, but that the Committee asked for further time. This was granted.

The Committee suggested that Mr. Barker be requested to ask the City for the loan of the public steam roller to put the driveway at the Main library in proper condition. This was approved by the Board.

The meeting then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Mar. 10, 1915

Benjamin H. Young Pres.  
Joseph B. [unclear] Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting March 10, 1915 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Powell, Powers, Herr, Barker, Thalheimer, O'Brien, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

By request the report of the Library Committee was first considered:

Leave of absence from May 8 to August 1 was granted M. A. Thomas. Her three weeks' vacation is to be allowed as part of the time, and the balance without pay.

The recommendation that the Librarian be authorized to have twenty-five cases made at \$2. each, to be used for school room and station collections, was approved.

The recommendation that the Librarian represent the Library at the meeting of the American Library Association at Berkeley, California, June 3-9, and that \$200. be appropriated for expenses, was approved.

The recommendation to accept Mr. A. C. Quisenberry's offer to make a copy of the Jefferson County Schedule Census of 1810 for our library for \$50. was approved.

The recommendation that Bertha L. Guntermann be advanced from the position of Senior Assistant to Head of the Order and Accession Department with an increase in salary of \$25. per month was approved.

The following bills for the month, which had been examined and approved by the Library Committee, were ordered paid:

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| A. L. A. Publishing Board | 3.24 |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.     | 3.57 |
| Arctic Ice Co.            | 2.20 |
| Associated Photo Co.      | 1.50 |
| Ayer and Son, N. W.       | 5.00 |
| Becker, Emil              | 3.95 |

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| Bland Electric Co.   | 3.20               |
| Boston Book Co.  | 2.15               |
| Brown, Frank   | 3.10               |
| Clark Jr. Electric Co., James                              | 20.82              |
| Cudahy Packing Co.   | 10.00              |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.                     | 24.65              |
| Dearing, Chas. T.  | 585.64             |
| Dearing Book Shoppe  | 545.75             |
| Duncan, Mrs. Fannie Casseday                               | 6.00               |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.  | 10.51              |
| Gaylord Bros.  | 47.20              |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)                           | 17.59              |
| Harrington, Mrs. G. W.                                     | 27.23              |
| Henry Heick Hardware Co.                                   | 1.15               |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff                                | 13.68              |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                                      | 12.50              |
| Jeunesse, R.   | 40.00              |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.   | 138.34             |
| Kendrick's Sons, Wm.                                       | 9.50               |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                                     | 334.70             |
| Lemcke and Buechner  | 2.32               |
| Library Bureau   | 68.18              |
| Library of Congress  | 100.00             |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.                              | 153.24             |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                                | 15.00              |
| Mayes Printing Co.   | 2.50               |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.                           | 3.65               |
| Morton & Co., John P.                                      | 57.50              |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                                    | 12.71              |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                                       | 7.42               |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.  | 8.00               |
| Scanlon Coal Co.   | 93.30              |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Petty Cash                       | 71.02              |
| Kicking, J. E. Librarian                                   | 22.60              |
| Southern Elevator Co.                                      | 8.20               |
| Standard Gas Station Co., The                              | 5.71               |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.                                      | 3.32               |
| Sutcliffe, Co., The  | 7.00               |
| U. S. Tire Co.   | 12.00              |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                                       | 5.00               |
| Warner Co., Roy E.   | 3.25               |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.                        | 577.21             |
| Wilson, Co., H. W.   | 4.25               |
| Wood, Stubbs & Co.   | 7.20               |
|  | <u>3,123.75</u> c  |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian, Pay Roll                    | 3,850.18 c         |
| Pd) Louisville Trust Co., The Bill Payable<br>and Interest | <u>25,343.34</u> c |
| TOTAL-----   | \$32,317.27 c      |

The Board received the following official communication from  
Dr. John H. Buschemeyer, Mayor of the city, naming members to  
serve on the Board for the next four years beginning with the  
April meeting:



Louisville, Ky., March 3, 1915

Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library,  
4th and Library Place,  
City.

Gentlemen:-

In accordance with the provisions of the City Charter I have this day appointed the following gentlemen to serve as members of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library for the term prescribed by law:

Mr. Philip Ossmann  
Rev. Dr. E. L. Powell,  
Rev. Dr. Edgar Y. Mullins

These appointments are herewith brought to your official notice.

Yours respectfully,

(Signed) Jno. H. Buschemeyer

Mayor

The Treasurer's report, showing a cash balance March 1st of \$18,238.73, was submitted through Mr. Barker, Chairman, of the Finance Committee. The report showed that the loan account had been paid in full. Upon motion it was received and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for the month of February was read and ordered filed. The report showed there were 96,736 volumes circulated during the month, an increase of 5,984 over the same month last year. The report showed an average daily circulation of 4,205 volumes, which is the largest in the history of the library. The per cent of fiction circulated was 50.3.

The Building Committee, through Mr. O'Brien, Chairman, recommended that an additional case for the Kentucky Collection be placed in the front office at a cost not to exceed \$40. This was approved.

The Committee also recommended that additional shelves be placed in the Highland Branch library for the bound magazines,

at a cost not to exceed \$19. This was approved.

The Building Committee asked that the following resolution be adopted as the Library Board had by action on July 8, 1914 dedicated this street to the city:

RESOLVED, That the President of the Board of Trustees be authorized to sign the deed of dedication to public use of all the rights, claims, title and interest of the Louisville Free Public Library to Birchwood Avenue, Crescent Hill.

The same was unanimously adopted.

The recommendation of the Library Committee to defer the question of a course of popular lectures in the Library until the budget for next fiscal year is considered was again taken up. The vote on this proposition on request of Dr. Mayer, was held up from last Board meeting. The Library Committee's recommendation was approved.

The offer made by the Shawnee Welfare Club through Mr. Ben Brumleve at a previous meeting, to donate a site at Thirty-ninth Street and Broadway for a branch library, was acted upon. The Building Committee recommended that the offer be not accepted, as there are no funds on hand or in sight for the erection of a building, and funds to repair the building on the site and maintain a sub branch library are not available at the present time. The recommendation of the Committee was approved.

The meeting then adjourned.

Minutes Approved

April 14, 1915

J. D. Powers President

M. H. B. Salomon Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting April 14, 1915 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Powell, Powers, Thalheimer, Barker, Herr, Mullins, Cassmann, Bartholomew and Settle.

In the absence of the President and Vice-president Col. Powers was called to the chair.

Dr. Powell moved that the Secretary be requested to draw up resolutions on the death of Dr. Chester Mayer, a member of the Board. Pending the putting of the motion, the Secretary announced that he had performed that service, whereupon the same were read and unanimously passed by the Board;

"Dr. Chester A. Mayer, a distinguished homeopathic physician and surgeon, and for many years prominent in professional, educational, civic and fraternal affairs of this city, departed this life April 10, 1915.

Dr. Mayer was graduated from Homeopathic College of New York. His practice was chiefly in this city, in which he was recognized as an able diagnostician and in consequence was often called in consultation by his fellow physicians.

Dr. Mayer was a member of the Medical Advisory Board of the Kentucky State Confederate Home, the Faculty of the South-western Homeopathic College of this City and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library. Dr. Mayer filled all of these positions with distinguished ability and fidelity.

Therefore be it RESOLVED:

That we express our appreciation of his ability and services in every measure for the promotion of the interests of the Louisville Free Public Library,

That we extend our sympathy to his aged father and mother together with other members of his bereaved family,

That this preamble and resolutions be entered in the records of the proceedings of this meeting and that a copy be sent to his family."

At this juncture, the proceedings of the Board were suspended in order to receive delegations from the Shawnee Welfare Club and Shawnee Civic League. The first organization is composed of men and the dele-

gation was headed by Mr. Ben J. Brumleve; the second organization is composed of women and the delegation was headed by Mrs. Amelia Schuler. Mr. Brumleve and Mrs. W. J. Ryans addressed the Board. They requested the Library to take over the lot on the corner of Thirty-ninth and Bfoadway, and establish a library station or sub-branch in the school building located on said lot. A copy of the deed to the lot was presented. Upon motion of Prof. Bartholomew, the question was referred to a committee consisting of Mr. Barker, Mr. Herr and Mr. Settle, to make a legal investigation and report to the Board at its next regular meeting on the advisability of accepting the offer.

The Treasurer's report showing a cash balance April 1st of \$15,890.28 was submitted by Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Finance Committee. It was received and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for the month, showing a circulation of 108,340 volumes, was read by the Secretary. This is the largest monthly circulation in the history of the Library, an increase of 4,960 volumes over the next largest month, which was March 1914. The report stated that 50,003 volumes were issued through the branches. The increase in Reference work and in other departments of library work was in the same proportion.

The bills for the month, certified to by the Library Committee, were upon motion ordered paid:

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|---------------------------------------|-------|
| American Civic Association            | 5.00  |
| American Printing House for the Blind | 16.91 |
| Anderson Co., John R.                 | 4.00  |
| Arabol Mfg. Co.                       | 4.80  |
| Arctic Ice Co.                        | 2.55  |
| Baldwin Law Book Co.                  | 10.20 |
| Bliss, Harry A.                       | 10.00 |
| Bobbs-Merrill Co.                     | 6.75  |
| Boston Book Co.                       | 7.50  |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                     | 5.00  |
| Brentano's                            | 3.80  |
| Bush-krebs Co.                        | 4.00  |

| Brought Forward   |          |
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| Bywater Bros.   | 7.00     |
| Caron Directory Co.   | 62.40    |
| Carter Dry Goods Co.  | 2.33     |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.  | 2.25     |
| Clark Jr. Electric Co., James   | 20.24    |
| Conference for Education in the South<br>and Southern Educational Association | 26.00    |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.   | 2.95     |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.  | 24.65    |
| Dearing, Chas. T.   | 758.18   |
| Dearing Book Shoppe   | 1,404.44 |
| Doran Co., George H.  | 2.45     |
| Duncan, C. H.   | 2.50     |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.   | 5.61     |
| Evershine Polish Co.  | 4.40     |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.   | 10.50    |
| Finck, Carl H.  | 4.50     |
| Finzer Music Co.  | 1.00     |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.   | 5.80     |
| Gaylord Bros.   | 9.50     |
| Georgia State Library   | 9.00     |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)  | 27.84    |
| Hager Co., C. C.  | 4.80     |
| Harcourt & Co.  | 3.75     |
| Hill, Frank P. Chairman, A.L.A. Committee<br>Panama-Exhibit                   | 100.00   |
| Hopkins, Luther W.  | 1.12     |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.   | 12.85    |
| International Textbook Co.  | 12.39    |
| Jansen, J. H.   | 2.00     |
| Journal of American History   | 3.00     |
| Kahlert, Eva  | 1.00     |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.  | 33.57    |
| Kentucky and Louisville Mutual Insurance<br>Co.                               | 17.76    |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.  | 348.20   |
| Kentucky Educational Association  | 1.00     |
| Kentucky Paper Box Co.  | 5.75     |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.   | 7.92     |
| Lemcke and Buechaer   | 1.00     |
| Library Bureau  | 14.12    |
| Liebschutz, H.  | 2.00     |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.   | 142.00   |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.   | 75.75    |
| Louisville Paper Co.  | 27.48    |
| Macmillan Co., The  | 1.49     |
| McVey, John Jos.  | 17.50    |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.  | 4.10     |
| Morton & Co., John P.   | 40.15    |
| Music Teachers' National Association  | 1.60     |
| National Education Association, The   | 2.00     |
| Otting, E. H.   | 17.50    |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.  | 6.99     |
| Pirtle and Weaver   | 55.50    |
| Prang Co., The  | 15.92    |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.   | 33.70    |
| Remington Typewriter Co.  | 23.55    |

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| Review of Reviews Co., The               | 13.50               |
| Ritter, C. V.                            | 32.40               |
| Scanlon Coal Co.                         | 150.30              |
| Settle, George T. Librarian Petty Cash   | 75.62               |
| Sherman, French and Co.                  | 1.27                |
| Southern Historical Society              | 3.00                |
| Standard Gas Station Co., Plant No. 7    | 8.82                |
| Standard Printing Co.                    | 8.30                |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.                    | 195.69              |
| Tachau, Mrs. Lena L.                     | 5.00                |
| Thompson, & Co., C. B.                   | 13.00               |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                     | 5.00                |
| Ward Bros.                               | 1.85                |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                       | 4.72                |
| Wayman, E. G.                            | 2.75                |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.      | 621.03              |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.              | 3.00                |
|  | <u>\$4,656.76</u> e |
| Pd) Settle, George T. Librarian Pay Roll | <u>3,885.45</u> e   |
| TOTAL-----                               | <u>\$8,542.21</u> e |

The Secretary stated that the next order of business was the election of officers for the year, and Col. Powers was continued in the chair.

Upon motion Dr. Mullins nominated Mayor Buschemeyer for president; Mr. Herr nominated Gen. Young for vice-president, and Mr. Barker nominated the Louisville Trust Co. for Treasurer. Mr. Herr moved to amend that all the old officers be re-elected, which was accepted and unanimously passed as follows:

|                     |                           |
|---------------------|---------------------------|
| President           | Mayor John H. Buschemeyer |
| Vice-president      | General Bennett H. Young  |
| Secretary           | Prof. W. H. Bartholomew   |
| Assistant Secretary | George T. Settle          |
| Treasurer           | Louisville Trust Co.      |

The Board then adjourned.

Minutes Approved

May 12, 1915

Bennett H. Young Pres.  
W. H. Bartholomew Sec.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting May 12, 1915 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Powers, Powell, Thalheimer, O'Brien, Barker, Hemphill, Ossmann, Herr, Bartholomew and Settle.

Dr. J. M. Ray, the newly appointed trustee, was also present.

In the absence of the President, Gen. Young, vice-president, was in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Announcement was made that the Mayor, John H. Buschemeyer, had appointed Dr. J. Morrison Ray to fill the unexpired term of Dr. Chester A. Mayer, deceased, and had named the following committees for the year:

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

|                      |          |
|----------------------|----------|
| Thomas A. Barker     | Chairman |
| Charles R. Hemphill, |          |
| Hardin H. Herr       |          |
| J. Morrison Ray      |          |

## BUILDING COMMITTEE

|                    |          |
|--------------------|----------|
| Edward J. O'Brien  | Chairman |
| Edgar Y. Mullins   |          |
| William Thalheimer |          |
| Philip Ossmann     |          |

## LIBRARY COMMITTEE

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Bennett H. Young  | Chairman |
| W. H. Bartholomew |          |
| Joshua D. Powers  |          |
| E. L. Powell      |          |

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

|                   |          |
|-------------------|----------|
| Bennett H. Young  | Chairman |
| Edward J. O'Brien |          |
| Thomas A. Barker  |          |

A letter from Mr. H. L. Mayer of Buffalo extending the thanks of his mother, father and himself to the Board for the resolutions passed upon the death of Dr. Chester Mayer, was received and ordered filed.

The report of the Finance Committee was submitted through the Chairman, Mr. Barker. The report showed a cash balance May 1st of \$12,677.22. Upon motion it was received and ordered filed.

The report of the Librarian for the month was read, and contained the following interesting items: There were 91,175 volumes circulated during the month, an increase of 1,549 over the same month last year. 4,099 topics were looked up in the Reference Rooms at the Main library and branches which is an increase of 139 over the same month last year. The attendance in the Newspaper and Civics Room was 3,050. The report was received and ordered filed.

The report of the Library Committee was as follows:

The recommendation that the Branch Libraries be closed at six o'clock on Sundays during the months of June, July and August, was approved.

The recommendation that we accept the resignation of Miss Ada K. Sievers, Branch Librarian at Portland Branch, who was married April 28, was approved.

The recommendation that an inscription be placed on the Prentice Statue to read "Presented by the Courier Journal Co., June 29, 1914, size about 10 x 12 inches, was approved.

The bills for the month, which had been examined and approved by the Library Committee, were ordered paid:

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| Abell Elevator Co.   | \$6.00 |
| American Association for Study and Prevention<br>of Infant Mortality | 3.11   |
| American Concrete Institute  | 4.23   |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.  | 2.89   |
| American Printing House for the Blind                                | 3.58   |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.  | 2.40   |
| Arctic Ice Co.   | 3.15   |
| Associated Photo Co.   | 1.50   |
| Bland Electric Co.   | 3.75   |
| Blatz Paint & Varnish Co., Val                                       | 14.20  |



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| Boston Book Co.                            | 7.00   |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                       | 4.50   |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                      | 1.50   |
| Crowell, Co., Thomas Y.                    | 3.00   |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.       | 24.65  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                          | 231.52 |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                        | 226.57 |
| Dodd, Mead and Co.                         | 4.05   |
| Evans, Charles                             | 15.00  |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                        | 12.65  |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                      | 41.45  |
| Garvey, T. J.                              | 3.10   |
| Gaylord Bros.                              | 71.91  |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)           | 24.37  |
| Harper, Francis P.                         | 3.82   |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry                  | 9.05   |
| Huntting Co., H. R.                        | 12.50  |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                      | 11.90  |
| Immigrant Publication Society              | 5.00   |
| Jeunesse, R.                               | 75.00  |
| Jewish Publication Society of America, The | 3.00   |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                         | 41.70  |
| Kelly Publishing Co.                       | 12.50  |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                     | 217.00 |
| Lemcke and Buechner                        | 4.64   |
| Leonard Brush and Woodenware Co.           | 3.34   |
| Library Bureau                             | 48.00  |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.            | 119.04 |
| Louisville Paper Co.                       | 53.40  |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                | 29.50  |
| Maddox and Pearse                          | 1.20   |
| Masson & Co., J. B.                        | 8.89   |
| Mayes Printing Co.                         | 18.00  |
| Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Co.         | 4.30   |
| Mill Remnants Co.                          | 35.00  |
| Morton & Co., John P.                      | 114.38 |
| National Tax Association                   | 3.00   |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                    | 7.35   |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                       | 11.65  |
| Poor's Railroad Manual Co.                 | 10.00  |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                   | 3.50   |
| Scanlon Coal Co.                           | 2.60   |
| Schiller, D.                               | 5.00   |
| Schirmer, G.                               | 809.59 |
| Schulte's Book Store                       | 2.75   |
| Settle, Geo. T. A.L.A. Expenses            | 200.00 |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian                  | 80.96  |
| Shettles, E. L.                            | 1.50   |
| Southern Sociological Congress             | 2.00   |
| Standard Gas Station Co., Plant No. 7      | 5.20   |
| Standard Printing Co.                      | 15.25  |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.                      | 2.89   |
| United States Tire Co.                     | 12.00  |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                       | 5.00   |
| Wallon & Son, A. J.                        | 4.50   |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                         | 2.10   |
| Watts, John R.                             | 4.05   |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.        | 560.84 |

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| Brought Forward-Total checks           | \$3,298.97 <sup>c</sup>      |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll | <u>4,137.90</u> <sup>c</sup> |
| TOTAL-----                             | \$7,436.87 <sup>c</sup>      |

The Committee to investigate the deed and report on the advisability of accepting the lot on Thirty-ninth Street and Broadway, offered by the Shawnee Welfare Club and Shawnee Civic League, as a site for a branch library through its chairman, Mr. Barker, reported: "Upon investigation we find that the Board of Education claims this property and has entered into a contract of sale with Mr. Doerhoefer. We, therefore, recommend that no action be taken at this time."

Mr. Ben J. Brunleve and Mr. J. Crow Taylor, a committee representing the Shawnee Welfare Club, were present and asked the privilege of making a statement. Mr. Brunleve asked that the Library Board become trustee of the lot located at Thirty-ninth Street and Broadway. Dr. Powell then moved that if the Shawnee Welfare Club and Shawnee Civic League will give the lot on Thirty-ninth Street and Broadway to the Board without any legal entanglements or other obligations that this Board will receive it, whereupon Mr. Barker moved that the same be laid on the table.

It was then moved by Mr. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Thalheimer, that the report of the Special Committee be accepted. This was approved.

Mr. Barker moved that holidays falling on Sundays be celebrated on the following day. Col. Powers moved that the same be laid on the table, which prevailed.

The meeting then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

June 9, 1915

*J. W. Powers* President  
*W. H. Bantel* Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting June 9, 1915 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Powers, Powell, Thalheimer, Mullins, O'Brien, Herr  
Ossmann, Barker, and Bartholomew.

Mr. Settle was absent attending the A. I. A. meeting.

Col. Powers in the absence of the president and vice-president  
was called to the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication from the Womans Civic League of Parkland  
stating that a piano had been purchased and placed by them at the  
Parkland Branch Library was read. Upon motion of Dr. Powell the  
piano was accepted and the Secretary was instructed to write a  
letter conveying the thanks of the Board.

The Treasurer's report was presented through Mr. Barker, Chair-  
man of the Finance Committee, and was ordered filed. The report  
showed a cash balance June 1st of \$2,610.82.

The report of the Librarian for the month was read and compli-  
mented by the Board. The circulation for the month was 93,288  
volumes which was the largest in May since the opening of the Li-  
brary. The increase over May 1914 was 15,603 volumes which was  
the largest gain during any month of the fiscal year.

The report of the Library Committee was received and upon motion  
the bills were ordered paid:

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|-------------------------------|-------|
| Abell Elevator Co.            | 10.00 |
| Alberts, John B.              | 7.20  |
| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co.    | 1.25  |
| American Prison Association   | 1.50  |
| American Multigraph Sales Co. | 2.50  |
| Arctic Ice Co.                | 6.25  |
| Associated Photo Co.          | 1.50  |
| Becker, Vernon W.             | 3.80  |
| Bland Electric Co.            | 11.20 |
| Booker and Kinnaid            | 39.60 |
| Bowker Co., R. R.             | 2.14  |

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| Bush-Krebs Co.  | 4.00               |
| Caron Directory Co.   | 3.20               |
| Caumisar & Sons, T. C.  | 1.50               |
| Clark Jr. Electric Co., James   | 2.60               |
| Cowan & Co., Andrew   | 10.00              |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.   | 1.55               |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.                                    | 25.16              |
| Dearing, Chas. T.   | 110.20             |
| Dearing Book Shoppe   | 423.87             |
| Dodd, Head and Co.  | 10.92              |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.   | 7.90               |
| Fischer Co., Heinrich   | 21.70              |
| Gaylord Bros.   | 73.28              |
| Germanatown Printing Co.  | 97.50              |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)  | 14.10              |
| Harcourt and Co.  | 4.50               |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry   | 21.30              |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.   | 18.65              |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.  | 14.93              |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.  | 419.90             |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.   | 1.36               |
| Lemcke and Buechner   | 2.93               |
| Leonard Brush and Woodenware Co.  | 9.67               |
| Levy Bros.  | 3.00               |
| Library Bureau  | 29.75              |
| Louisville Courier Journal Co.  | 7.40               |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.   | 107.81             |
| Louisville Tent and Awning Co.  | 2.50               |
| Mayes Printing Co.  | 47.50              |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.  | 2.68               |
| Mississippi Valley Historical Society                                     | 2.00               |
| Morton & Co., John P.   | 246.30             |
| New York Times Index  | 8.00               |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.   | 2.25               |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.  | 5.29               |
| Robinson-Pettet Co.   | 4.00               |
| Rogers Church Goods Co.   | 1.75               |
| Scanlon Coal Co.  | 19.70              |
| Schirmer, G.  | 28.45              |
| Settle, George T. Librarian   | 72.70              |
| Standard Gas Station Co. Plant No. 7                                      | 4.99               |
| United States Tire Co.  | 4.00               |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.  | 5.00               |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.                                       | 212.78             |
|   | <u>\$2,195.31</u>  |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian PR  | 800.00             |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian PR  | 3,486.59           |
|   | <u>\$6,481.90</u>  |
| Pd) New York Exchange for the<br>Mutual Life Insurance Co. of<br>New York | <u>7,750.00</u>    |
|   | <u>\$14,231.90</u> |

The Building Committee through Mr. O'Brien, Chairman, reported that the repairs in the rear of Kaufman-Straus Co. had been made by the Board of Public Works and without charge.

Mr. Barker gave notice that he would bring up at the next

meeting a resolution that all financial matters, bills, etc. heretofore referred to the Library Committee be made a part of the duty of the Finance Committee.

Upon motion of Mr. Thalheimer, it was ordered that the Library be closed all day on Monday, July 5.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

July 14 1915

E. L. Pounce President

W. H. R. [Signature] Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting July 14, 1915 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Powers, Hemphill, Barker, Herr, O'Brien, Bartholomew and Settle.

In the absence of both the president and vice-president, Col. Powers was called upon to preside.

The reports of the Finance Committee, Building Committee and Librarian were read and adopted.

The report of the Finance Committee showed a cash balance of \$1,794.87 on July 1st.

The report of the Building Committee showed \$1,654.18 spent to July 14 on repairs and improvements and \$711.16 on furniture and fixtures, leaving a balance of \$345.82 on repairs and improvements and \$288.84 on furniture and fixtures, total \$634.66, and only one more month of the fiscal year.

The report of the Librarian showed that 73,159 volumes were circulated during the month of June, an increase of 17,303 volumes over last year. This is the largest gain during any month of the fiscal year.

Upon motion of Mr. Barker the bills for the month, which had been audited by Col. Powers and Prof. Bartholomew of the Library Committee were ordered paid:

|                                       |         |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| Abell Elevator Co.                    | \$13.95 |
| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co.            | 3.10    |
| Altsheler & Co.                       | 4.00    |
| A. L. A. Publishing Board             | 1.00    |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.         | 1.00    |
| American Printing House for the Blind | 19.04   |
| Arabol Mfg. Co.                       | 4.80    |
| Arctic Ice Co.                        | 6.00    |
| Becker, Emil                          | 5.75    |
| Becker, Vernon W.                     | 3.00    |
| Bohn, H. A.                           | 2.50    |
| Boston Book Co.                       | 7.25    |
| Bowker, Co., R. R.                    | 4.00    |
| Carrell-Rogers Co.                    | 143.30  |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                 | 1.50    |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.                    | 19.00   |

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| Cudahy Packing Co.                      | \$10.00 |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.  | 24.65   |
| Danforth and Co.                        | 55.50   |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                       | 113.87  |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                     | 162.50  |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                     | 9.67    |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                     | 29.40   |
| Finck, Carl. H.                         | 4.50    |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                   | 9.00    |
| Garvey, T. J.                           | 6.25    |
| Gaylord Bros.                           | 15.45   |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)        | 29.57   |
| Harcourt and Co.                        | 13.00   |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry               | 13.25   |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                   | 23.30   |
| Jeunesse, R.                            | 44.40   |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                      | 176.38  |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                  | 848.05  |
| Kirchdorfer, J. C.                      | 4.35    |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.           | 4.74    |
| Lemcke and Buechner                     | 1.54    |
| Library Bureau                          | 116.77  |
| Library of Congress                     | 100.00  |
| Lindsey, T. N.                          | 45.22   |
| Louisville Courier Journal Co.          | 7.10    |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.         | 95.77   |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.           | 75.75   |
| Louisville Speedometer Ser. Station Co. | 3.75    |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.             | 14.55   |
| McClurg and Co., A. C.                  | 6.64    |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.        | 8.75    |
| Morton & Co., John P.                   | 43.34   |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                 | 15.50   |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                    | 16.00   |
| Peter & Burghard Stone Co.              | 9.00    |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                     | 6.00    |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                | 13.40   |
| Schirmer, G.                            | 23.38   |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian               | 63.55   |
| Smith & Co., C. B.                      | 9.00    |
| Standard Gas Station Co., Plant No. 7   | 9.27    |
| Swindler Co., E. F.                     | 14.00   |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.               | 6.72    |
| Times-Mirror Printing and Binding Co.   | 9.28    |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                      | 3.53    |
| Watts, John R.                          | 5.60    |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.     | 151.94  |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.             | 3.00    |

\$2,715.37

Pd)Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay  
Roll

3,644.80

TOTAL-----\$6,360.17

The question of no quorum being present was raised but the Librarian was authorized to pay the bills. In order that this action be made legal, it was moved that the minutes be submitted to the Board at their next regular meeting for approval. The meeting adjourned.

E. L. Powell President

J. H. [Signature] Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

August 11, 1915

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library was not held on the above date because of the absence of a quorum. Six members of the Board were absent from the city and five only had signified their intention to attend, with the probability of a sixth, which was one short of a quorum. For this reason, the meeting was called off.

The bills for the month, as follows, were audited by Prof. Bartholomew, one of the members of the Library Committee and he in accordance with the by-laws, recommended that the same be approved by the Executive Committee for payment:

|                                       |        |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Abell Elevator Co.                    | 10.00  |
| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co.            | 2.15   |
| American Blue Book                    | 10.00  |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.         | 2.75   |
| Arctic Ice Co.                        | 5.80   |
| American Printing House for the Blind | 11.68  |
| Becker, Vernon W.                     | 3.10   |
| Bland Electric Co.                    | 19.80  |
| Breuer & Co.                          | 3.96   |
| Burdorf-Brecher Co.                   | 5.00   |
| Caunmiser & Sons, T. C.               | 1.50   |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                 | 1.55   |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.  | 24.65  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                     | 10.85  |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                   | 311.46 |
| Dixie Auto Supply Co.                 | 2.95   |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                   | 1.67   |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)      | 26.85  |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry             | 1.25   |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                 | 14.19  |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                    | 27.54  |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                | 319.40 |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.         | 3.32   |
| Library Bureau                        | 37.50  |
| Longmans, Green & Co.                 | 3.91   |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.         | 78.93  |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.           | 28.50  |
| Mann, Owen R.                         | 15.84  |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                  | 20.76  |
| Horton & Co., John P.                 | 71.92  |
| Nalty & Schuesler                     | 5.00   |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.               | 1.50   |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                  | 1.50   |
| Pirtle & Weaver                       | 18.90  |



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| Brought Forward                         |                  |
| Recktenwald Bros.                       | \$13.00          |
| Sargent, Porter E.                      | 1.80             |
| Schirmer, G.                            | 27.69            |
| Scribner's Sons, Charles                | 1.35             |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian (Pt. Cash)    | 85.39            |
| Slaughter, T. Grant                     | 10.00            |
| Standard Gas Station Co. Plant<br>No. 7 | 10.11            |
| Standard Printing Co.                   | 8.70             |
| Stechert & Co., E. G.                   | 1.49             |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.               | 2.79             |
| United States Tire Co.                  | 15.65            |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                    | 5.00             |
| Wagner's Sons Co., J. F.                | 40.00            |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                      | 2.34             |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.     | 163.13           |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                       | 6.24             |
| Wolcott's Bookshop                      | <u>1.15</u>      |
|   | \$1501.51 M      |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian           | <u>3880.50 N</u> |
| Total                                   | \$5,382.01 N     |

(Signed) Geo T. Settle, Librarian  
 Bennett H. Young, Chairman Library Committee  
 E. J. O'Brien, Building Committee Chairman  
 J. Wm. Miller President (Acting)

Louisville, Ky. August 16, 1915  
 Approved for payment by the Executive Committee

(Signed) E. J. O'Brien  
 Bennett H. Young

E. J. Powell President  
B. W. Buchanan Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting September 8, 1915 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Powell, Ray, Thalheimer, Mullins, Herr, O'Brien, Ossmann, Bartholomew and Settle.

Dr. Powell was called to the chair.

The minutes of the regular meeting of June 9, and of the meetings of July 14 and August 11, at which there was no quorum, were unanimously approved by the Board.

The report of the Treasurer, read by Mr. Herr of the Finance Committee, was received and approved. This report showed that receipts from city taxes were \$62,283.75, from rents \$36,045.50, from fines, lost books, etc. \$2,608.03, total \$100,937.20 and this added to \$397.22 the balance on hand at the beginning of the year, makes a total of \$101,034.50. The report further showed that the amount spent for current maintenance was \$85,526.80 and interest on mortgage \$15,500., a total of \$101,026.80, leaving a balance of \$307.70 in the hands of the treasurer. The librarian's annual report shows the division of accounts under current maintenance, which the expert accountants report verifies.

The recommendation that the treasurer be authorized to borrow sufficient funds to pay current expenses until the budget for 1915-16 is adopted, was approved.

The recommendation that the Librarian be authorized to spend \$1,000. each month on the book account until the budget is adopted, was approved.

The following letter submitted by J. C. Mahon, appointed by the Mayor to audit the books of the Library, was read:

Louisville, Ky.  
September 4, 1915

Hon. John H. Buschemeyer, Mayor,  
Louisville,  
Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to your instructions, I have made a complete examination and audit of the Books of Account of the Louisville Free Public Library, in the hands of the Treasurer and the Librarian, covering the period from September 1, 1914 to the close of business August 31, 1915, and now beg to report that the Accounts have been properly kept during the period under review; that the books are in excellent condition and reveal the true condition of the affairs of the Library at August 31, 1915. The Cash balance of \$307.70 in the hands of the Treasurer, at the close of business August 31, 1915, was duly reconciled with the records, including the Bank Pass book.

The audit proved entirely satisfactory to me and the financial records are in good condition.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) J. C. Mahon

Public Accountant & Auditor

The report of the Librarian for August showed that 69,597 volumes were circulated during the month, an increase of 12,974 over last year. It also showed that 1,648 reference topics were looked up at the Main library and branches.

The annual report of the Librarian was submitted and upon motion was accepted and ordered filed. The summary of the report, as read by the Librarian, was upon motion of Dr. Powell ordered spread upon the minutes:

"The total circulation of books for home use was 1,045,077 volumes, an increase of 99,111 volumes over last year. This circulation includes 422,789 volumes read by children, an increase of 39,572 over last year, and 90,636 volumes issued through the Stations Department, an increase of 8,980 volumes over last year.

This circulation is divided as follows: Main library 333,391 volumes; stations 90,636; branches 497,877; school room collections 123,173.

There were 547,105 volumes of fiction loaned, which is 54% of the total circulation. Although there was an increase of nearly 100,000 volumes in circulation there was a decrease of 2% in the use of fiction.

During the year there were 9,685 new borrowers added making a total of 52,164 citizens using the library.

The report of reference work shows that 46,747 questions were asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. This was an increase of 10,126 over last year. Of these 21,292 questions were looked up in the Reference Room, 2,555 in the Civics Room and 22,900 at the branches. There were 208 bibliographies and reading lists compiled and 4,592 volumes and 797 pictures loaned from the department for home use.

The visitors to the Newspaper and Civics Room for the year were 36,191. During this period there were 2,555 questions looked up, 1,000 bound volumes of newspapers used and 2,929 numbers of newspapers read for items. There were 2,808 pamphlets classified and 4,824 clippings from newspapers on general subjects filed. There are 17 municipal periodicals and 90 daily and weekly newspapers on file. City and telephone directories of the principal cities in the country were placed in this department during the year.

There were 24,856 visitors to the Museum during the year, an increase of 1,128 over last year. The material given by the Jefferson Institute of Arts and Sciences has been placed and adds very materially to the value of the Museum.

There were 17,325 volumes added to the library during the year making a total of 179,345 volumes for public use. This is a net increase of 9,453 volumes. There were 618 volumes of magazines, etc. bound and 10,200 miscellaneous volumes rebound.

During the year 17,031 volumes, 7,294 pamphlets and 182 pictures were cataloged.

There are 53,156 volumes at the branches of which 6,798 were added during the year. The total circulation of books at the branches was 497,877 volumes, an increase of 52,910 over last year. This is 47% of the whole circulation and 53% of the total increase. This circulation includes 199,401 children's books which is an increase of 21,882 over last year. There were 65,923 volumes circulated at Highland Branch; 64,286 at Portland; 74,409 at Crescent Hill; 79,858 at Parkland; 73,096 at Shelby Park; 79,675 at Jefferson; 34,650 at Western Colored and 25,980 at Eastern Colored. There were 22,900 reference topics looked up at the branches which is an increase of 8,624 over last year.

The two colored branch libraries contain 13,655 volumes of which 1,551 were added during the year. The total circulation of books to colored readers through branches, classrooms and stations was 104,771 volumes. There were 4,838 reference topics looked up at the colored branches.

There were 1,456 meetings held in the Assembly and class rooms during the year of which 208 were at the Main library and 1,248 at the branches.

The report for the first time covers a full twelve months' work in all departments of the library and is a maximum of the growth that may be expected with the present income.

The receipts from city taxes, fines, lost books, etc. were \$64,937.28 and from rents \$36,000., making a total of \$101,334.50. The cost of current maintenance was \$85,526.80 and interest on mortgage was \$15,500., a total of \$101,026.80. \$23.10 less was spent for current maintenance this year than last, although \$2,162.74 more was spent for books. A balance of \$307.70 remains in the treasury. Last year the expense covered one new branch building for ten months and one entire new branch for seven months, and five months for the Civics and Stations rooms, whereas this year the expense is for these branches and departments for the twelve months. The Current Maintenance account is divided as follows: Books and binding \$21,471.49; salaries and janitor service \$47,168.77; expense \$5,842.71; light, heat and power \$7,706.19; repairs and improvements \$1,707.18; insurance \$422.80; furniture and fixtures \$733.66, and interest on loans \$474."

Dr. Ray moved that one thousand copies of the Librarian's annual report be printed for distribution. Same was approved.

The recommendations of the Librarian, approved by the Library Committee, were as follows:

The resignations of Misses Mignon Key and Margaret Seeley, assistants in the Catalog Department, and Grace C. Tabb, assistant in the Circulation Department, were accepted. It was moved that the Secretary write a letter to these young ladies expressing the appreciation of the Board for their services while in the employ of the Library. Approved.

The recommendation that Misses Marie Batman, Mary C. Foley, Mary Elizabeth Durning and Mrs. Mary Marr Thompson be appointed to positions on the staff, was approved.

The letter from W. J. Abram offering to place museum material in the library as a loan was referred to the Library Committee with power to act.

Miss Artie Lee Taylor, was recommended to be admitted to the training class because three young women had resigned to accept

positions with the schools. Upon motion this was approved, provided it is not considered as a precedent.

The bills for the month, which had been examined and approved by Prof. Bartholomew and Dr. Powell of the Library Committee, were ordered paid:

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| Abell Elevator Co.                     | 10.00  |
| American Educational Co                | 4 00   |
| American Printing House for the Blind  | 19 02  |
| Annual Review Publishing Co.           | 4 25   |
| Arctic Ice Co.                         | 4 60   |
| Baker & Taylor Co.                     | 1 42   |
| Becker, Vernon W.                      | 3 10   |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                      | 2 00   |
| Burroughs Adding Machine Co.           | 2 80   |
| Bush-Krebs Co.                         | 18 60  |
| Bywater Bros.                          | 6 10   |
| Caron Directory Co.                    | 21 00  |
| Carter Dry Goods Co.                   | 2 38   |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                   | 3 15   |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                  | 1 55   |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co. | 24 65  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                      | 56 41  |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                    | 45 93  |
| Dutton and Co., E. P.                  | 1 39   |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                    | 5 02   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                    | 6 25   |
| Franck, John                           | 1 00   |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                  | 129 01 |
| Gaylord Bros.                          | 62 70  |
| Harrington, Mrs. G. W.                 | 25 25  |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry              | 1 00   |
| Hesse, H.                              | 17.25  |
| Houghton, Kiffin Co.                   | 14.63  |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff            | 1 50   |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                  | 5 15   |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                     | 30 73  |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                 | 371 60 |
| Library Bureau                         | 5 14   |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.          | 82 72  |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.            | 14 25  |
| McClurg and Co., A. C.                 | 4 62   |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.       | 9 90   |
| Morton & Co., John P.                  | 53 59  |
| Musical Blue Book Corporation          | 4 00   |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                | 10 78  |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                   | 3 38   |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                    | 3 00   |
| Remington Typewriter Co.               | 8 50   |
| Settle, George T. Librarian            | 74 39  |
| Sikking, J. E.                         | 7 30   |
| Skilton Ice Co.                        | 3 10   |
| Slaughter, T. Grant                    | 56 95  |

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| Standard Gas Station Co. Plant No. 7 | \$11 15           |
| Stilz, Henry G.                      | 2 10              |
| Van Dort Co., G. Broes               | 6 50              |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                 | 5 00              |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                   | 2 32              |
| Watts, John R.                       | 1 10              |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.  | <u>185 22</u>     |
|                                      | \$1 458 45 M      |
| <br>Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian    |                   |
| Pay Roll                             | <u>3 969 85 M</u> |
| <br>Total                            | \$5,428 30 M      |

The report of the Building Committee submitted by Mr. E. J. O'Brien, Chairman, as follows, was unanimously approved:

"The Building Committee estimated in the budget at the beginning of the fiscal year \$2,000. for repairs and improvements and \$1,000. for furniture and fixtures at the Main library and branches, total \$3,000., which amount was allowed by the Finance Committee. During the year \$1,707.18 was spent on repairs and improvements and \$733.66 on furniture and fixtures, total \$2,440.84, leaving a balance of \$559.16.

The repairs and improvements account was divided as follows: Main building \$1,459.34; Highland \$6.75; Portland \$46.65; Crescent Hill \$9.20; Parkland \$71.05; Shelby Park \$21.75; Jefferson \$21.80; Western Colored \$54.09; Eastern Colored \$16.55.

The furniture and fixtures account was divided as follows: Main \$654.11; Highland \$34.65; Portland \$27.00; Crescent Hill \$6.50; Parkland \$10.65; Eastern Colored 75¢.

The balance on the two accounts, \$559.16, was transferred to the book account.

The buildings have been kept up as intended at the beginning of the year and are in excellent condition.

The question of redecorating some of the rooms will be considered before the budget for 1915-16 is adopted."

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) E. J. O'Brien

Chairman Building Committee

No further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Oct. 12, 1915

Barnett H. Morgan President  
Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting October 13, 1915 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Powers, Ossmann, Thalheimer, Barker, Hemphill, Ray, O'Brien, Herr and Settle. The four members absent had signified their inability to be present.

In the absence of the president, Gen. Young vice-president was in the chair and in the absence of the Secretary, the assistant secretary acted.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Treasurer was submitted through Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Finance Committee. The report showed a cash balance on October 1st of \$5,739.78 and stated that \$3,000. rent for September would be added to this. Upon motion it was received and ordered filed.

The report of the Librarian for the month, containing the following items, was read: There were 75,917 volumes circulated during the month, an increase of 7,078 over the same month last year. There were 3,384 questions asked and topics looked up in the Reference rooms at the Main library and branches, an increase of 387 over the same month last year. The attendance in the Newspaper and Civics room was 2,608. Upon motion the report was received and ordered filed.

The recommendations of the Librarian approved by General Young and Colonel Powers of the Library Committee, were as follows:

The recommendation that the Library accept the museum material offered by Mr. W. J. Abram provided he would give it to the library was upon motion approved.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure for current maintenance of \$7,538.05 including \$4,166.69 for pay roll, voucher #6273, checks #3903 to #3976 inclusive, and covering bills for the



month, voucher #6274, checks #3977 to #4062 inclusive was approved, and the bills which had been examined and approved by Gen. Young and Col. Powers of the Library Committee, were ordered paid:

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| Altsheler & Co.                       | 4.00   |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.         | 1.20   |
| American Printing House for the blind | 21 03  |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                 | 23 31  |
| Anderson, D. R.                       | 1 00   |
| Arabol Mfg. Co.                       | 4 80   |
| Arctic Ice Co.                        | 4 70   |
| Association for New York, The         | 2 83   |
| Atlas Coal Co.                        | 193 60 |
| Baker & Taylor Co.                    | 347 38 |
| Baldwin Piano Co., The                | 2 50   |
| Baptist Book Concern                  | 1 13   |
| Becker, Vernon W.                     | 3 00   |
| Brownfield & Co., J. L.               | 8 80   |
| Bush-Krebs Co.                        | 12 40  |
| Bywater Bros.                         | 3 50   |
| Caron Directory Co.                   | 2 00   |
| Carrell-Rogers Co.                    | 20 00  |
| Clegg & Co., F. A.                    | 15 30  |
| Courier Journal Job Printing Co.      | 145 20 |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                 | 1 50   |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.                    | 15 00  |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.  | 24 65  |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                     | 12 70  |
| Dearing Book Shoppe                   | 275 40 |
| Dodd, Mead & Co.                      | 48 00  |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                   | 14 34  |
| Elder & Co., Paul                     | 1 35   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                   | 23 05  |
| Finck, Carl H.                        | 3 00   |
| Finzer Music Co.                      | 1 20   |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                 | 3 60   |
| Gaylord Bros.                         | 36 25  |
| General Specialties Co.               | 10 50  |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)      | 39 27  |
| Harcourt & Co.                        | 2 50   |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry             | 3 25   |
| Hero, J. C.                           | 1 50   |
| Hesse, H.                             | 12 25  |
| Hoeber, Paul B.                       | 3 45   |
| Houghton, Mifflin Co.                 | 48 64  |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff           | 1 30   |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                 | 56 78  |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                    | 14 44  |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                | 345 45 |
| Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.           | 1 32   |
| Krausgill Piano Co.                   | 3 92   |
| Library Bureau                        | 76 60  |
| Library of Congress                   | 100 00 |
| Louisville Courier Journal Co.        | 7 90   |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.         | 101 35 |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.         | 75 75  |
| Louisville Paper Co.                  | 9 00   |

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| Louisville Towel Supply Co.           | 14 50  |
| Maddox and Pearse                     | 1 60   |
| Mahon, J. C.                          | 115 28 |
| Mayes Printing Co.                    | 2 25   |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                  | 475 36 |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.      | 4 45   |
| Morton & Co., John P.                 | 121 51 |
| National Municipal League             | 5 00   |
| Neville, Kellner & Co.                | 6 60   |
| Ouerbacker-Castleman Co.              | 16 14  |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                  | 9 63   |
| Quick Tire Service                    | 3 35   |
| Remington Typewriter Co.              | 3 00   |
| Robinson, Norton & Co., J. M.         | 3 78   |
| Schirmer, G.                          | 35 67  |
| Scribner's Sons, Charles              | 1 28   |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian             | 79 18  |
| Skilton Ice Co.                       | 3 00   |
| Spectator Co., The                    | 10 00  |
| Standard Gas Station                  | 2 58   |
| Standard Gas Station Co., Plant No. 7 | 6 18   |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.                 | 1 09   |
| Stilz, Henry G.                       | 1 50   |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.             | 13 24  |
| Taylor Trunk Co.                      | 3 50   |
| Thomas Publishing Co.                 | 10 00  |
| University Museum The                 | 5 11   |
| Van Nostrand Co., D.                  | 5 85   |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                  | 5 00   |
| Wahlgreen Co.                         | 4 35   |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.   | 199 94 |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.           | 3 00   |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                     | 5 55   |

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|  | \$3,371.36 M      |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll | <u>4,166.69 M</u> |

TOTAL-----\$7,538.05

The following resolution was read and upon motion, adopted:

"RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library desire to give expression to their high appreciation of the courtesy of the Rotary Club of Louisville in setting apart Thursday, September 16, as "Public Library Day." Also, their appreciation of the promised hearty co-operation of said club in every measure looking to the enlargement and usefulness of our Public Library and its branches."

Mr. O'Brien, Chairman, reported that the Building Committee had nothing to report.

In reply to the Chairman's question for reports from special committees, Mr. O'Brien asked what the special committee to ask Mr. Carnegie for funds to erect additional branch buildings had

to report. Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Committee, said Mr. Carnegie had virtually refused to give more money for branch buildings at present and the committee had taken no further steps because of the war. Mr. Thalheimer moved that the Committee proceed to ask for more money and suggested that Mr. Carnegie be invited to come to Louisville to see how well his money had been used. As Mr. Barker thought it best to defer action until after the November election, however, Mr. Thalheimer withdrew his motion.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Nov. 10, 1915

James H. Young President  
W. B. [unclear] Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting November 10, 1915 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Messrs. Young, Powell, Powers, Mullins, Hemphill, Herr, Barker, Thalheimer, Ray, O'Brien, Ossmann, Bartholomew, and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary read communications from the following organizations in which they petitioned the Board to rescind its action in reference to branch libraries.

United Trades and Labor Assembly  
East End Improvement Club  
Tyler Park Club  
Shawnee Welfare Club

When the Secretary had finished reading these communications, Dr. Hemphill moved that a committee of three consisting of Dr. Mullins, Dr. Powell and Mr. Barker be appointed to prepare a statement bearing upon branch libraries for the information of the public, in answer to these communications and that a copy of the same be sent to the organizations referred to above and to the press of the city. The letter follows:

November 11, 1915

United Trades and Labor Assembly  
The East End Improvement Club  
The Tyler Park Club  
The Shawnee Welfare Club  
The Cherokee Improvement Club

Gentlemen:

Your communications to the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library have been received and presented to the Board. Careful consideration was given to your appeal and the undersigned committee was appointed to prepare a reply setting forth the position of the Board.

The Board rejoices in the widespread interest in library work as indicated by your communications. The efficiency of our present library system has created library sentiment among all classes of our people. For this we are grateful.

We desire to state at the outset that some of your communications indicate that you are laboring under a misapprehension. The Library Board did not at a recent meeting go on record against additional branch libraries. It has never gone on record in any such way. On the contrary, the general consensus of opinion in the Board is decidedly in favor of as many branches as our financial resources will permit.

As indicating our interest, a year or more ago a committee consisting of five members of the Board, was appointed to communicate with Mr. Andrew Carnegie asking for additional funds for branch libraries. The reply of Mr. Carnegie was that he had already given to Louisville \$200,000. for the erection of branch libraries, the original amount agreed upon between him and the Library Board for this purpose. The \$200,000. has been expended in the erection of eight branch libraries, the number originally contemplated in the arrangement with Mr. Carnegie.

Our present library system is one of the most efficient in the United States. We have the Main building and eight branches. There are sixty-two stations located in sections of the city removed from the Main library and branches. There are 230 class room collections of books in thirty-five schools, making a total of 301 centers for circulation of books for use in the homes of our people.

It should be noted that the above includes for the colored people of our city, two branches, fifty-two class room collections in thirteen school buildings and six stations, making a total of sixty centers for colored readers.

The annual circulation of our library system as shown in the last report of the Librarian is 1,045,077 volumes. This puts our library in the first place in circulation in proportion to population. We stand in the nineteenth place in circulation regardless of population, among all the cities of the United States.

We call your attention to the fact that the act of the Kentucky Legislature establishing our public library system provides a minimum tax rate of  $2\frac{1}{2}\%$  and a maximum rate of 4% for the maintenance of the Main library and its branches. We are now receiving 3% from the city.

If we had an income of  $3\frac{1}{2}\%$  we could take care of three more branches. We have appealed to the city administration for an addition to the annual income of the library, but owing to the demands of various other departments of our city government, it has not seemed possible for the increased income to be granted, although the city administration is in hearty sympathy with the work of the library.

From the above it will be entirely clear to you that the position in which the Library Board finds itself is as follows:

We are without funds for the erection of new branches because of the refusal of Mr. Carnegie to make further appropriations for the purpose. We are also without income sufficient to maintain them if Mr. Carnegie should waive his original intention and make a further contribution. If the income of the Library Board were sufficient, it might add to the force of our appeal to Mr. Carnegie but until we are in a position to pledge ourselves to maintain the proposed new branches, we do not feel justified in appealing further to Mr. Carnegie for additional funds for their erection.

Furthermore, the Library Board does not consider that it is called upon to request the city to increase its tax rate for the purpose of extending the system of branch libraries. It is not for us to attempt to put the burden of increased taxation upon the city for this purpose. It is rather for the taxpayers to assume it. The Library Board will rejoice in the privilege of erecting new branches whenever funds for this purpose and funds for their maintenance shall be available.

Meantime, much as we desire to increase the number of branches we are without power to do so. We sincerely hope that in the not distant future this condition of affairs may be changed, and that we may feel free to proceed in the lines indicated in your communications.

Very sincerely yours,

Committee

Edgar Y. Mullins  
Edward L. Powell  
Thomas A. Barker

The Treasurer's report and the report of the Finance Committee was presented through Mr. Barker, the chairman, as follows:

The report showed a cash balance on November 1st of \$2,342.37, and stated that \$3,000. rent for October would be added to this.

The Finance Committee held a meeting on November 6th and the following members, with General Young, chairman of the Library Committee, were present:

Mr. Barker  
Mr. Herr  
Dr. Hemphill

Mr. O'Brien, Chairman of the Building Committee, was invited to the meeting but did not attend.

The Committee recommended the following budget for the year:

1915-16

RECEIPTS

|                                  |                 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Balance on hand                  | \$307.70        |
| City Taxes                       | 62,283.75       |
| Rents                            | 36,045.50       |
| Fines and miscellaneous receipts | <u>2,697.55</u> |
|                                  | \$101,334.50    |

EXPENDITURES

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| Expense                      | \$5,800.00                            |
| Light, heat and power        | 7,800.00                              |
| Furniture and fixtures       | 1,000.00                              |
| Repairs and Improvements     | 2,000.00                              |
| PayRoll-Librarian and Assts. | 41,320.00                             |
| Automatic Raises             | 664.50                                |
| Schedule                     | <u>290.00</u>                         |
|                              | 42,274.50                             |
| Janitors and other labor     | <u>7,417.50</u> 49,692.00             |
| Insurance                    | 500.00                                |
| Interest on loans            | 500.00                                |
| Books                        | <u>18,542.50</u>                      |
|                              | CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL-\$85,834.50 |
| Interest on mortgage         | <u>15,500.00</u>                      |
|                              | TOTAL-----\$101,334.50                |

Upon motion the report was approved and the budget adopted.

Mr. Barker moved that any unexpended balances during the year be applied to the purchase of books, which was approved.

The Librarian's report showing a circulation of 99,019 volumes for October, was read and upon motion approved. The report further showed that this was an increase of 3,115 over the same month last year. 5,706 topics were looked up at the Main library and branches and 607 books and magazines were loaned for reference work.

The Secretary read the report of the Library Committee and it was considered item by item.

The recommendation that we accept the offer of Mr. Charles Smith, Manager of the Western Union Telegraph Co. to supply printed

slips to be inserted in library books, stating that they may be returned to the library by Western Union Telegraph messengers, was approved provided that no cost is entailed upon the Library Board and that the companies permitted to do this are liable for the loss of any books entrusted to them.

The recommendation that the Librarian be authorized to enter subscriptions for magazines and newspapers for the Main library and branches, not to exceed \$2,073.88 in cost, was approved.

The recommendation that the Librarian be authorized to purchase a semi fire proof safe for the accession books, cost not to exceed \$75., was approved.

The Secretary was instructed to write a letter of thanks to the Highland Civic League, Mrs. T. H. Whyne, Treasurer, and the Highlander, Mr. E. M. Brooks, Editor, for their efforts in securing funds for the purchase of the piano which was presented to the Highland Branch Library.

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The motion of Dr. Powell that Dr. Hemphill, Dr. Mullins and Mr. Settle, be appointed a special committee to confer with Mr. Holland and the Board of Education in regard to conducting the high school libraries in connection with the public library, was approved. Upon motion the recommendation of the Library Committee that the Librarian be authorized to catalog the Boys' High School Library was approved.

The bills for the month were examined by the members of the Library Committee and submitted to the Board. Upon motion the same were ordered paid:

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| Abell Elevator Co.                               | \$20.00 |
| American Association, Medical Milk<br>Commission | 1 50    |
| Anderson and Co., A. J.                          | 169 96  |
| Anderson, Margaret S.                            | 4 20    |
| Arctic Ice Co.                                   | 4 10    |



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| Becker, Vernon W.                                  | \$2 30     |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.                        | 6 00       |
| Bland Electric Co.                                 | 2 10       |
| Boston Book Co.                                    | 2 25       |
| Buck, G. Ivor                                      | 17 55      |
| Bywater Bros.                                      | 1 10       |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                               | 1 91       |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                              | 1 50       |
| Crowell Co., Thomas Y.                             | 5 00       |
| Cumberland Telegraph & Telephone Co.               | 24 65      |
| Dearing, Chas. T.                                  | 10 43      |
| Dearing's, Inc.                                    | 301 72     |
| Dow Wire and Iron Works                            | 4 55       |
| Dutton and Co., E. P.                              | 2 20       |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                                | 3 34       |
| Eells, F. B. Sales Agent                           | 5 17       |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                                | 9 05       |
| Franklin Printing Co.                              | 4 50       |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                              | 55 57      |
| Good Health Publishing Co.                         | 1 13       |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)                   | 10 78      |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry                          | 1 25       |
| Higley, H. N.                                      | 6 78       |
| Houghton Mifflin Co.                               | 206 88     |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff                        | 1 50       |
| Kyatt Auto Repair Co.                              | 26 80      |
| International Textbook co.                         | 28 70      |
| Jeunesse, R.                                       | 1 25       |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                                 | 241 85     |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                             | 272 80     |
| Krausgill Piano Co.                                | 1 35       |
| Louisville Chemical Co.                            | 33 64      |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.                      | 121 96     |
| Louisville Paper Co.                               | 2 21       |
| Louisville Tent & Awning Co.                       | 2 00       |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                        | 14 25      |
| Mackenzie, Geo. Norbury                            | 15 25      |
| McClurg and Co., A. C.                             | 323 72     |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.                   | 3 10       |
| Norton & Co., John P.                              | 86 73      |
| National Conference of Charities and<br>Correction | 1 70       |
| Penton Publishing Co.                              | 4 50       |
| Quick Tire Service                                 | 16 65      |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                           | 3 50       |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                                | 34 00      |
| Scribner's Sons, Charles                           | 1 95       |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian                          | 121 48     |
| Skilton Ice Co.                                    | 2 50       |
| Standard Printing Co.                              | 29 90      |
| Stilz, Henry G.                                    | 1 25       |
| Swindler Co., E. F.                                | 7 00       |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.                          | 16 99      |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                               | 5 00       |
| Watts, John R.                                     | 2 85       |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.                | 562.51     |
| Yates, B. De Clarke                                | 29.25      |
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|  | \$2,905 61 |

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| Brought Forward                           | \$2,905.61 M      |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian<br>Pay Roll | <u>3,988.15 M</u> |
| TOTAL-----                                | \$6,893 76 M      |

The Building Committee through Mr. O'Brien, Chairman, submitted the following report which upon motion was approved:

It was recommended that the Librarian be authorized to spend \$380. for 400 additional stack room shelves. Approved.

The recommendation that the Librarian be authorized to place four floor stacks in the rear of the Reference Room, cost not to exceed \$125. was approved.

The recommendation that the Librarian be authorized to have the front steps at the Main library covered with wood, at a cost not to exceed \$25., was approved.

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Dec. 8, 1915

Pepper H. [Signature] President  
W. H. [Signature] Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting December 8, 1915 at 5 p.m. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Powers, Powell, Young, Herr, Hemphill, Thalheimer, Ossmann, Barker, Bartholomew and Settle.

Dr. E. Y. Mullins was called to Rochester, N. Y. and consequently could not attend the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Finance Committee through Mr. Barker, Chairman, made the following report: The balance on hand December 1 was \$4,217.81 but \$3,000. rent, Kaufman-Straus Co., was to be added to this making a total of \$7,217.81. Upon motion the report was approved.

The Librarian's report showing a circulation of 101,815 volumes for November was read and upon motion approved. The report further showed that this was an increase of 2,614 over the same month last year, and that during the month the tenth anniversary of the opening of the Children's department was celebrated and the printed annual report was distributed. It further showed that 5,716 reference topics were looked up at the Main library and branches, and 524 books and magazines loaned for reference work.

The report of the Library Committee was as follows:

The recommendation that Home telephones be placed in the Highland, Portland and Crescent Hill Branch Libraries was approved.

The bills for the month which had been examined by the members of the Library Committee, were upon motion ordered paid:

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| Abrahams, J.                  | \$ 1.30 |
| A. L. A. Publishing Board     | 7.18    |
| American Multigraph Sales Co. | 2.05    |
| Anderson, Margaret S.         | 1.60    |
| Appleton and Co.              | 4.65    |
| Arctic Ice Co.                | 1.30    |
| Atlas Coal Co.                | 85.80   |
| Avery & Co., Samuel L.        | 25.00   |

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| Baker and Taylor Co.                   | 7 82     |
| Baldwin Law Book Co.                   | 6 50     |
| Barlow, J. A.                          | 3 00     |
| Becker, Vernon                         | 1 50     |
| Blend Electric Co.                     | 43 70    |
| Boston Book Co.                        | 2 00     |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                      | 18 50    |
| Bush-Krebs Co.                         | 3 25     |
| Campbell & Sons, B. J.                 | 20 50    |
| Columbia Carbon Co.                    | 10 20    |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                  | 1 50     |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co. | 24 65    |
| Dearing's Incorporated                 | 1 752 00 |
| Dodd, Mead and Co.                     | 26 92    |
| Douglas, J.                            | 3 00     |
| Duncan, Mrs. Fannie Casseday           | 19 50    |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                    | 10 51    |
| Egry Register Co.                      | 11 23    |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                    | 13 50    |
| Finck, Carl H.                         | 4 50     |
| Finzer Music Co.                       | 1 13     |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                  | 2 80     |
| Gaylord Bros.                          | 12 25    |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)       | 47 81    |
| Hager Co., C. C.                       | 7 80     |
| Hammond Press                          | 3 50     |
| Houghton Mifflin Co.                   | 241 11   |
| Hudson Book Co.                        | 10 00    |
| Hunting Co., H. R.                     | 15 42    |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                  | 16 70    |
| Jeunesse, R.                           | 119 00   |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                     | 254 90   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                 | 293 40   |
| Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.            | 9 02     |
| Korfhage, Herman C.                    | 2 00     |
| Krausgill Piano Co.                    | 1 00     |
| Library Bureau                         | 112 08   |
| Little, Brown & Co.                    | 1 31     |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.          | 137 84   |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.            | 14 25    |
| Masuda, T.                             | 2 25     |
| Mayes Printing Co.                     | 3 20     |
| Morton & Co., John P.                  | 142 95   |
| Ouerbacker-Castleman Co.               | 7 08     |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                | 9 72     |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                   | 5 69     |
| Recktenwald Bros.                      | 1 00     |
| Remington Typewriter Co.               | 1 20     |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Petty Cash   | 89 34    |
| Skilton Ice Co.                        | 1 50     |
| Southern Optical Co.                   | 1 50     |
| Special Libraries Association          | 2 00     |
| Stammer, P.                            | 1 25     |
| Standard Gas Station                   | 9 79     |
| Standard Printing Co.                  | 12 25    |
| Strauss Grocery Co., Julius            | 1 00     |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.              | 23 60    |

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| Van Nostrand Co., D.   | \$2.25            |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.   | 5 00              |
| Wallon & Son, A. J.  | 2 00              |
| Warner Co., Roy E.   | 3 29              |
| Watts, John R.   | 4 85              |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.  | 613 06            |
| Williams Auto Top Dye Works  | 3 75              |
| Wilson Co., H. W.  | 130 86            |
| Wood Co., Harry I.   | 1 50              |
| Ye Booke Stalle  | <u>3 00</u>       |
|  | \$4 501 36 M      |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian Pay Roll   | <u>3 979 00 M</u> |
|  | \$8 480 36 M      |
| Pd) New York Exchange for the Mutual<br>Life Insurance Co. of New York<br>(Interest) | <u>7 750 00</u>   |
| TOTAL-----   | \$16 230 36       |

At this point, Dr. Powell asked to be excused.

Dr. Hemphill, on Special Committee appointed to confer with the Board of Education regarding joint control of the high-school libraries, made the following report:

"To the Library Board:

The undersigned, the committee appointed by the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library to confer with the Board of Education regarding the establishment and joint control of libraries in the high schools of the city, report as follows:

Your committee met with the Board of Education in Dr. I. N. Bloom's office, December 7, 1915, with Dr. Bloom, Mr. Barret, Mr. Gottschalk, and Prof. Holland, Superintendent, present. Your committee suggested close co-operation in conducting the high school libraries and offered the following proposition:

1) That the selection of books for the high school libraries should be made by someone familiar with books in general, with recommendations from members of the faculty;

2) That all recommendations should be carefully considered and collated to material in the high school libraries and to be had at the public library, to avoid duplication and unnecessary expense.

3) That the high school libraries should be carefully classified and cataloged by an expert. A small collection of books with a good catalog is better than a large col-

lection of books without a catalog or with an inferior catalog. That the cataloging should be done by a trained person of the public library catalog department precisely as public library books are cataloged. This would place the high school library books on the shelves precisely as public library books, and would enable the public library books to be used with the high school library books.

4) That the person chosen as the high school librarian should be capable of conducting a branch of the public library or at least rank as a second grade assistant of the public library receiving from \$45. to \$75. a month, and to be recommended by the Librarian. The high-school librarian should be a member of the high school faculty and the library staff. A trained assistant would more than pay for her services by the work accomplished with the students in the school, and in assisting the faculty through the high school library and public library.

5) It is estimated that a branch of the Louisville Free Public Library could be conducted jointly with the Board of Education in a high school building at a cost to the Board of Education of about \$1,000. each year. This does not include the cost of cataloging, order department work, etc., to be done by the public library without cost to the Board of Education.

6) If the Board of Education will appropriate \$1,000. for each high school library each year, the public library will take charge of the high school libraries, order, catalog and keep the books in repair for circulation, and supplement the work with the entire resources of the public library and trained assistants.

The proposition seemed to meet with favor and a committee was appointed by the Board of Education to consider the question.

Your committee asks that it be given power to act and to draw up the contract.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Y. Mullins, )  
C. R. Hemphill, (Committee  
George T. Settle)"

Upon motion of Col. Powers the report was approved and the committee continued with power to act. Mr. Barker called for vote of eyes and nays: Ayes: Young, Bartholomew, Powers, Hemphill, Ossmann; Nays: Herr, Barker and Thalheimer.

Letters of the Secretary to Mrs. T. H. Whayne of the Highland

Civic Club, and Mr. E. M. Brooks, Editor of the Highlander, thanking them for their interest and efforts in securing the piano for the Highland Branch Library were approved.

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

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Bennett H. Gray President  
W. D. Bostelman Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting January 12, 1916 at 5 p.m. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Thalheimer, Herr, Mullins, Ray, Barker, Hemphill, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The letter from Miss Urith Pope Galt, asking that additional magazines be ordered at the Highland Branch Library, and the Librarian's reply to same, was read by the Secretary. Upon motion the Board approved the position of the Librarian.

The letter from the United Trades and Labor Assembly, Mr. Philip Ossmann, Corresponding Secretary, including a resolution adopted by the organization favoring Sunday and holiday opening of the libraries, was read. Upon motion of Mr. Barker this was referred to a Special Committee to be appointed by the chair, to consider the whole question of opening and closing of the libraries. The chair appointed Mr. William Thalheimer, Chairman, Dr. C. R. Hemphill and Dr. J. Morrison Ray as the committee.

Mr. Barker presented the report of the Treasurer for the month which showed a cash balance of \$462.04 on hand January 1. Upon motion the same was received and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for December showed a circulation of 89,547 volumes, an increase of 3,784 over the same month last year. This circulation included 39,199 books read by children and 8,392 volumes circulated through the stations. Upon motion the report was ordered filed.

The Library Committee report was considered as follows:

The recommendation that the following young ladies who had passed the examination in June and satisfactorily completed the library course which ended December 17, be placed on the eligible



list for substitute work and for positions in the library as vacancies occur, was approved:

|                             | June Exam.  | General Average |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Clark, Pearl Louise Cameron | 74.5        | 88              |
| Hubbuch, Antoinette M.      | 79.8        | 94              |
| Hutchings, Winifred         | 74          | 91              |
| Murphy, Cornelia Clay       | Univ. Grad. | 92              |
| Peake, Anne Lenora          | 63.7        | 86              |
| Randle, Elvira Jane         | 60.8        | 86              |
| Ring, Olive Eleanore        | 65.3        | 83              |
| Taylor, Artie Lee           | 60.4        | 77              |
| Taylor, Florrie Lee         | 82.8        | 98              |
| Warden, Marion Isabelle     | 65.5        | 92              |

Miss Catherine Griffith Mullen passed the examination with an average of 74 and entered the class, but later dropped out on account of not being able physically to do the work.

The members of the apprentice class volunteered for Sunday and holiday service which necessitated discontinuing the services of the following young ladies, who had not taken the library course but who had been doing substitute work at the branch libraries on Sundays:

|                        |                                   |
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| Mrs. E. J. Brashear    | Substituted at<br>Highland Branch |
| Miss Imogene Greenaway | Portland Branch                   |
| Miss Ella S. Montz     | Crescent Hill Branch              |
| Miss Josephine Taylor  | Parkland Branch                   |
| Miss Mary May Wyman    | Shelby Park Branch                |
| Miss Catherine Kent    | Jefferson Branch.                 |

The fifteen wood cuts offered to the library at \$15. by Mr. Fredrick Nordstrom, dealer in old prints, Arlington, Mass. were approved for purchase. These were recommended to the library by Mr. Oscar Fenley.

The Special Committee on high school libraries made the following report which was approved and adopted:

January 12, 1916

"To the Library Board:

Your Committee appointed to confer with the Board of Education to establish branch libraries in the high schools of the city, is pleased to report that the Board of Education

has accepted our proposition and has elected Miss Mary Brown Humphrey branch librarian at the Girls High School, and Miss Edna Grauman branch librarian at the Boys High School on the recommendation of the Librarian, and will pay them \$60. a month each, beginning with January 1, 1916. These young ladies upon the recommendation of Superintendent O. L. Reid have been elected teachers covering the period of their employment.'

'If this arrangement proves satisfactory it will be made permanent beginning with the next school year.'

'Your Committee asks to be continued until final arrangements are completed.'

'We are submitting for a permanent record the memorandum of arrangement between the Board of Education and Library Board under date Dec. 30, a copy of the resolutions adopted by the Board of Education included in Mr. Manly's letter of Jan. 11, and a letter from Mr. O. L. Reid under date January 10.'

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. E. Y. Mullins)  
Dr. C. R. Hemphill (Committee  
George T. Settle )"

Memorandum of arrangement between the special high school library committee of the Board of Education, and of the Public Library Board:

Louisville, Ky., 30 December, 1915

1. The Board of Education will employ two members of the library staff, one to be assigned to the Boys High School and one to the Girls High School as librarians. These librarians shall have a rank at least equal to second grade assistant in the Public Library and will be recommended to the Board of Education by the Public Librarian, and will be paid \$60.00 per month each by the Board of Education for the first six months of the year 1916.

2. The two high schools undertake to provide \$300.00 each for the purchase of new books between now and June, 1916. This is not to be taken from the school funds.

3. Each of the librarians will be a member of the faculty of the school in which she is employed during the period of her employment, and will remain a member of the staff of the Louisville Free Public Library.

4. The rules for the government of these two libraries will be drafted by the principals of the two schools, the public librarian, and the Superintendent of Schools.

5. The Public Library undertakes to catalog and order

the books and to keep them in repair while this arrangement continues in effect without cost to the Board of Education.

6. That the Board of Education will supply the necessary permanent equipment which shall be the property of the Board of Education. As the Public Library will undertake to catalog the library, the Board of Education should supply the card cabinets, typewriters equipped for card writing, and accession books for both libraries. This equipment is absolutely necessary in organizing a branch library.

E. Y. Mullins )  
C. R. Hemphill ( Committee  
George T. Settle )

I recommend Miss Edna Grauman for librarian at the Boys High School, and Miss Mary Brown Humphrey for librarian at the Girls High School.

George T. Settle,  
Librarian

Following is the letter from Mr. Henry B. Manly, Secretary and Treasurer of the Board of Education:

Louisville, Ky., January 11, 1916.

"Mr. George T. Settle, Librarian,  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Settle:

At the meeting of the Board of Education held January 4, 1916, the Special Library Committee of the Board submitted the following resolution:

RESOLVED, That with a view to the more efficient operation and increased usefulness of the present libraries at the Boys High School and the Girls High School, this Board make the following arrangement with the Louisville Free Public Library:

1. Request the Librarian of the Free Public Library to recommend for election by this Board two members of the Library staff of a rank equal to at least second grade assistants in the Public Library, who will be elected by this Board and paid a salary of \$60.00 per month each for a period of six months from January 1, 1916.

2. Each of the persons so recommended by the Librarian of the Public Library is, when elected, to be a member of the faculty of the High School in which he or she is employed during the period of such employment.

Signed,

I. N. Bloom ) Special  
Alex G. Barret ( Library  
Arthur M. Rutledge ) Committee

I hereby certify that there is a sufficient balance in the appropriation for Instruction to cover the above expenditure.

Henry B. Manly,  
Secretary and Treasurer.

The above resolution was unanimously adopted.

Superintendent Reid presented the following recommendation:

Board of Education,

Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

Librarian George T. Settle has recommended Miss Edna Grauman for librarian at the Boys High School, and Miss Mary Brown Humphrey for librarian at the Girls High School.

I recommend the appointment of Miss Edna Grauman as a teacher at the Boys High School for the first six months of 1916 at a monthly salary of \$60.00. I also recommend the appointment of Miss Mary Brown Humphrey as a teacher at the Girls High School for the first six months of 1916 at a monthly salary of \$60.00.

Respectfully submitted,  
O. L. Reid,  
Superintendent.

The above recommendation of the Superintendent was unanimously concurred in.

Yours truly,

(Signed) Henry B. Manly,  
Secretary and Treasurer."

The above letter was received from Superintendent Reid:

Mr. George T. Settle,  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Settle:

I wish to assure you that the librarians of the two high schools will have the free use of the school telephones. If there has been a limitation of this, it is without my knowledge, and I wish to tell you that I regret it. These librarians are regular members of the high school faculties and as such are privileged to use the telephones on all matters of school business.

With kindest regards, I am,  
Yours truly,

(Signed) O. L. Reid  
Superintendent."

The recommendation that Marion I. Warden be appointed a substitute in the Reference Department for Miss Humphrey, and Antoinette E. Hubbuch in the Catalog Department for Miss Grauman, for six months beginning January 1, was approved.

The communication of Thos. F. Blue, Branch Librarian, asking for an increase in salary, was read. It was recommended that action be postponed on this for the present because the income from the city was not yet available.

The Librarian's letter to Mr. Samuel Riddle, Superintendent of Transportation, Louisville Railway Co., asking for transfer privileges for library users, was read and upon motion referred to a special committee consisting of Mr. Barker, Mr. Herr and Mr. Settle, with instructions to confer with Mr. Riddle and report back to the Board.

The bills for the month which had been audited by General Young and Prof. Bartholomew of the Library Committee, were upon motion approved and ordered paid:

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| Abell Elevator Co.                     | 10.00  |
| Aldine Book Co.                        | 7.50   |
| Altsheler & Co.                        | 4 00   |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.          | 6 00   |
| American Printing House for the Blind  | 13 84  |
| Anderson, Margaret S.                  | 1 60   |
| Arctic Ice Co.                         | 1 45   |
| Associated Photo Co.                   | 2 00   |
| Atlas Coal Co.                         | 81 40  |
| Baker and Taylor Co.                   | 2 75   |
| Becker, Emil                           | 23 95  |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.            | 2 64   |
| Bland Electric Co.                     | 12 10  |
| Boston Book Co.                        | 1 00   |
| Bryant, Herbert P.                     | 5 00   |
| Carter Dry Goods Co.                   | 2 19   |
| Clark Co., John                        | 3 50   |
| Clegg and Co., F. A.                   | 148 76 |
| Crescent Hardware House                | 2 35   |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                  | 1 55   |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co. | 25 79  |
| Dearing's Incorporated                 | 220 41 |
| Dodd, Mead and Co.                     | 15 00  |
| Doran Co., Geo. H.                     | 2 45   |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                    | 3 34   |

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| Petter Co., Geo. G.                          | \$276 50     |
| Finzer Music Co.                             | 1 13         |
| Flanagan Co., A.                             | 3 18         |
| Franck and Son, Charles V.                   | 2 50         |
| French, Samuel                               | 2 75         |
| General Specialties Co.                      | 9 00         |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Department)        | 23 65        |
| Houghton Mifflin Co.                         | 109 86       |
| Hunting Co., H. R.                           | 3 01         |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                        | 13 68        |
| Illinois Book Exchange                       | 5 50         |
| International News Co.                       | 2 75         |
| Jeunesse, R.                                 | 152 00       |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                           | 171 67       |
| Kentucky Adjutant General's Office, State of | 4 00         |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                       | 410 70       |
| Krausgill Piano Co.                          | 3 06         |
| Library Bureau                               | 88 78        |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.              | 164 73       |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.                | 75 75        |
| Louisville Paper Co.                         | 18 30        |
| Mayes Printing Co.                           | 4 00         |
| McClelland, Goodchild and Stewart            | 2 25         |
| McClurg and Co., A. C.                       | 226 77       |
| Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Co.           | 8 45         |
| Morton and Co., John P.                      | 82 90        |
| National Conference on City Planning         | 2 16         |
| New York Times Index                         | 8 00         |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                      | 60 85        |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                         | 6 31         |
| Quick Tire Service                           | 17 35        |
| Records of the Past Exploration Society      | 1 00         |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                     | 7 00         |
| Ruebush-Elkins Co.                           | 31 00        |
| Schirmer, G.                                 | 9 41         |
| Settle, George T. Librarian, Petty Cash      | 115 43       |
| Shulhafer, Simon                             | 3 90         |
| Skilton Ice Co.                              | 1 55         |
| Snead and Co., Iron Works                    | 380 00       |
| Stammer, P.                                  | 23 25        |
| Standard Gas Station Co.                     | 12 50        |
| Stechert Co., G. E.                          | 11 39        |
| Strauss Grocery Co., Julius                  | 1 75         |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.                    | 10 73        |
| Van Dort Co., G. Broes                       | 45 00        |
| Van Nostrand Co., D.                         | 3 60         |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.          | 631 66       |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.                  | 3 00         |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                            | 15 81        |
| Wise, Charles H.                             | 5 00         |
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|  | \$3 875 09 M |
| Pd) Settle, George T. Librarian, Pay Roll    | 4 098 27 M   |
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| TOTAL  | \$7 973 36 M |

The following paper for closing the libraries on Sunday, Dec. 26, signed by all the trustees was submitted and ordered to record:

December 23, 1915

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To the Library Board:

It has been customary to close the library at six o'clock on Christmas Eve and remain closed all day Christmas. Christmas this year falling on Saturday, the question was raised as to whether it would not be best to close the library on the following Sunday, December 26, in addition to Christmas Day.

The library is open on Sundays from 2 to 9:30 o'clock for reading and reference only and the usual number of visitors average more than 400, but the number of visitors on Sunday, Dec. 24, the day before Christmas in 1905, was 71 and the number of visitors on Sunday, Dec. 26, the day After Christmas in 1909, was 137.

Sunday service at the libraries is voluntary and is paid for extra. Several of the young ladies scheduled for work on Sunday, Dec. 26, asked to be relieved, which necessitated the appointment of other members of the staff for the day. This brought up the question of whether or not it would pay, and whether or not the staff should be considered in closing on this Sunday.

With this in mind, I telephoned the Library Committee Dec. 14, 1915, who recommended that we close on Sunday, Dec. 26, and in turn referred it to the Executive Committee, who agreed with the Library Committee, and authorized that the libraries be closed on Sunday, Dec. 26. Before I announced this action, I tried to reach the other members of the Board for their opinion but failed to see Dr. Mullins, Dr. Hemphill, Dr. Ray and Mr. Ossmann, although I have since seen Mr. Ossmann.

Mr. J. C. Moffet, Mr. George S. Whittingham and Miss Helen M. Randolph have objected to this closing and are trying to make trouble. I feel that we have taken the right step in this matter for the two reasons stated, and am submitting this for your approval..

If you agree with the position taken by the Executive Committee, that is of closing the libraries on Sunday, Dec. 26, please sign your name below.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) George T. Settle

Librarian

(Signed)

Bennett H. Young  
J. D. Powers  
Wm. Thalheimer  
Thos. A. Barker  
W. H. Bartholomew  
E. Y. Mullins

E. J. O'Brien  
E. L. Powell  
C. R. Hemphill  
J. M. Ray  
Hardin H. Herr  
Phil. Ossmann

The Building Committee submitted the report of the Librarian

as follows:

January 12, 1916

"To the Building Committee:

I regret to report a fire at the Highland Branch Library on December 19. This was on Sunday and the Library was open from 2 to 6 o'clock with Mrs. E. J. Brashear, Sunday substitute, in charge. Mrs. Brashear reports that there was nothing out of the ordinary when the building was closed at 6 o'clock and that the janitor fired up at 4 o'clock and did not touch the furnace after that hour.

The fire was discovered about 8 o'clock around the conduits in the floor below the Reference Room. When I reached there, about 8:30, it seemed that the entire building would burn. The floor of the Reference Room, rear of the delivery desk, had burned through and flames were in the second floor. The fire department did remarkably good work in handling the fire. They confined it to this one section of the building and did not destroy or damage books or other material to any extent with water. The insurance companies estimate the loss at \$500.

I recommend that the Library Board send a letter of commendation to the Fire Department for the splendid work done by their men and refer especially to the efficient work of Capt. Samuel Rees, Assistant Chief. He was on the premises the entire time, going back and forth from the basement to the first floor, insisting upon the careful handling of the hose not to "knock any of the books off the shelves" as he expressed it. The following companies have insurance on the library:

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| Robinson, Wilson & Long      | Building | \$10,000. |
| Martin & Cowles              | "        | 3,000.    |
| Glover, Bloom, Coons & Jones | "        | 2,000.    |
| Edw. J. Miller & Co.         |          | 5,000.    |
| J. B. Slaughter & Co.        | Contents | 1,600.    |
| Reutlinger & Stith           | "        | 1,400.    |

The insurance companies agreed to put the building in perfect condition and upon the suggestion of Mr. Thalheimer, the matter was turned over to Mr. John C. Young, Southern Adjustment Bureau.

This library was closed two evenings, Dec. 20 and 21, because of no heat in the building and Saturday, Sunday and Monday, January 8, 9, 10, when it was necessary to paint and varnish the floors.

Regardless of the fire, the report shows an increase of 73 volumes in circulation for the month."

Upon motion of Mr. Thalheimer, the Secretary was instructed



to write a letter of thanks to the Fire Department for their efficient work.

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Oct. 9 1916

Bennett Young President  
W. H. Bartholomew Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting February 9, 1916 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Powers, Hemphill, Herr, Barker, Ossmann, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read by the Secretary and was received and ordered filed. The report showed a cash balance on Feb. 1 of \$72.23 and stated that \$6,329.21 received from city taxes and \$3,000. rent Kaufman-Straus Co., was to be added to this. Deducting the month's bills, there will be a balance on hand of \$2,231.93.

The Librarian's report was read and ordered filed. The report showed a circulation of 99,650 volumes, an increase of 1,697 volumes over the same month last year. The report stated that during the month the high school libraries were established under joint control of the Board of Education and the Library Board.

The report of the Library Committee was as follows:

The recommendation that we accept the resignation of Anna Giles Greenaway who is to be married Feb. 14, was approved.

The recommendation that Elizabeth S. Woodson, who was transferred from the Highland Branch Library to assist Miss Greenaway after Miss Siever's resignation, be appointed Branch Librarian at the Portland Branch Library was approved.

The recommendation that Marguerite Terrell be appointed as an assistant and assigned to the Highland Branch Library, was approved.

The bills for the month, which had been audited by the Library Committee, were approved and ordered paid:

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| Abell Elevator Co.            | \$10 00 |
| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co.    | 3 85    |
| Aldine Book Co.               | 8 00    |
| American Library Association  | 5 00    |
| American Multigraph Sales Co. | 1 15    |
| Atlas Coal Co.                | 123 20  |

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| Baldwin Law Book Co.                       | \$2 80   |
| Becker, Vernon                             | 3 10     |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                          | 6 40     |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                       | 3 95     |
| Clark Co., John                            | 5 00     |
| Cox Book Co., Carol                        | 2 70     |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                      | 1 55     |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.     | 24 65    |
| Dearing's Incorporated                     | 210 42   |
| Dreher, K.                                 | 19 75    |
| Dutton & Co., E. P.                        | 1 35     |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                        | 17 18    |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                        | 19 25    |
| Finck, Carl H.                             | 4 50     |
| Fischer Co., Heinrich                      | 21 60    |
| Fleck, John H.                             | 1 10     |
| Gaylord Bros.,                             | 62 70    |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Department)      | 19 57    |
| Harvard University Press                   | 2 50     |
| Houghton, Mifflin Co.                      | 23 73    |
| Hudson Book Co.                            | 25 07    |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                      | 17 70    |
| Illinois Book Exchange                     | 19 00    |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                         | 37 87    |
| Kennedy Motor Co.                          | 2 20     |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                     | 111 00   |
| Kirchdorfer, J. C.                         | 1 70     |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.              | 16 16    |
| Krausgill Piano Co.                        | 2 52     |
| Library Bureau                             | 15 66    |
| Lindsey, T. N.                             | 1 50     |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.            | 154 60   |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.              | 18 00    |
| Louisville Paper Co.                       | 2 25     |
| Louisville Speedometer Service Station Co. | 5 00     |
| Malkan, Henry                              | 3 20     |
| McClurg and Co., A. C.                     | 1 176 27 |
| Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Co.         | 4 45     |
| Morrison, Noah Farnham                     | 7 02     |
| Morton & Co., John P.                      | 83 80    |
| National Genealogical Society              | 2 00     |
| Nordstrom, Frederick                       | 15 00    |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                    | 4 05     |
| Passavant, D. L.                           | 12 02    |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                       | 3 75     |
| Quick Tire Service                         | 3 00     |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                   | 1 70     |
| Royal Photo Co.                            | 1 50     |
| Salisbury, Mrs. A. R.                      | 126 50   |
| Schirmer, G.                               | 1 61     |
| Settle, George T. Librarian, Petty Cash    | 77 94    |
| Skilton Ice Co.                            | 1 55     |
| Standard Gas station                       | 11 28    |
| Southern Sociological Congress             | 2 00     |
| Standard Printing Co.                      | 1 60     |
| Statute Law Book Co.                       | 6 00     |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.                      | 7 83     |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.                  | 8 93     |
| Van Nostrand Co., D.                       | 5 20     |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                       | 5 00     |
| Watts, John R.                             | 4 30     |

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| Wegelin, Oscar                           | \$1 00            |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.      | 603 33            |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                        | <u>2 80</u>       |
| Pd) Settle, George T. Librarian Pay Roll | \$3,219 86 M      |
|  | <u>3,949 65 M</u> |
| TOTAL                                    | \$7,169 51 M      |

The report of the Special Committee to confer with the Louisville Railway Company to ask for stop over and transfer privileges to visit the library, was submitted through Mr. Herr. The same was approved and is as follows:

February 9, 1916

"To the Library Board:

Your Special Committee to confer with the Louisville Railway Co. to ask for stop over and transfer privileges at Broadway, Second, Fourth and Sixth Streets, reports as follows:

We conferred with Mr. Samuel Riddle, Superintendent of Transportation, on January 26, and he stated that however willing the Street Car Company was to extend special privileges, their hands were tied by law and they could not do so. They are privileged to grant transfers but under the law, the time allowed for transfers at all points must be the same, and for this reason they would be unable to make exceptions at Broadway, Second, Fourth and Sixth Streets, to visit the library.

Upon suggestion, Mr. Riddle stated that he would have the library called at York Street on Second, Fourth and Sixth Streets, and was sorry that he was not able to comply with our proposition.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

Thos. A. Barker)  
Hardin H. Herr { Committee"  
Geo. T. Settle )

The following report of the Special Committee on opening and closing of the Main library and branches, together with the City Attorney's letter on the subject, was submitted by Dr. Hemphill:

February 2, 1916

"To the Library Board:

Your Special Committee on Sunday and holiday opening of the libraries wishes to report as follows:

To consider intelligently the subject of library opening, the whole question of daily, Sunday and holiday hours as in force now and what is being done in other cities was considered.

To this end the Librarian addressed a communication to Mr. Pendleton Beckley, City Attorney, asking for a written opinion of our legal right to open on Sundays and holidays, and to pay extra for the service. He also addressed a questionnaire to thirty-five of the principal libraries in the country to ascertain what they were doing, and a questionnaire to the branch librarians asking for their opinion of the value of the work accomplished on Sundays. After considering these questions carefully, we recommend for adoption as follows:

1) That the libraries close all day on July 4, at 6 o'clock on Dec. 24, and remain closed all day Christmas;

2) That on all week days including legal holidays except July 4 and Christmas, the Reference and Circulation departments at the Main library be open from 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m., the Children's department and Museum from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and the branches from 2 to 9 p.m. except the Western Colored Branch which will open at 10 a.m., for circulation of books, reading, reference and other library work with the public;

3) That on all Sundays during the year the Reference and Circulation departments at the Main library be open from 2 to 9:30 p.m., the Children's department and Museum from 2 to 6 p.m., the branches from 2 to 6 p.m., except the Western Colored Branch which will remain open until 9 p.m., for reading and reference only;

4) It is understood that these recommendations do not change the number of hours of service nor the arrangement of staff in scheduling in any departments as heretofore adopted by the Board; pay to be as heretofore, \$2. for seven hours or \$1. for four hours for Sunday and holiday service.

These recommendations include the following changes:

1) Opens the Children's department at the Main library on Sundays from 2 to 6 p.m.

The Children's rooms at the branch libraries have always been open on Sundays, and the demand has been felt at the Main library.

2) Changes the hours on holidays at the Main library from 2 to 9:30 to 9 a.m. to 9:30, and at the Western Colored Branch from 2 to 9 p.m., to 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Many citizens out of their offices, away from their places of business, and children out of school make the demand on legal holidays at the Main library similar to other week days.

3) Changes the hours at the branches on Sundays from 2 to 9 p.m. to 2 to 6 p.m., except the Highland Branch which is always closed at 6 o'clock on Sundays, and the Western Colored Branch where the hours, 2 to 9 p.m. remain as heretofore.

The reports of the branch librarians show that the number of visitors after 6 o'clock does not justify the expense. This is also proven by the number of branch libraries in other cities closed at 6 o'clock, and the great number closed all day.

We are submitting the following papers for file recommending that the City Attorney's letter be spread upon the minutes:

- 1) Digest of the actions of the Library Board on Sunday and holiday opening from the beginning to the last Board meeting;
- 2) The City Attorney's letter or report;
- 3) Tabulation-Cost of keeping libraries open on Sundays and holidays, showing present cost and change under recommendation;
- 4) Reports from the Branch Librarians and tabulation;
- 5) Tabulated statement on Sunday and holiday opening from thirty-five principal libraries in the United States;
- 6) Attendance on Sunday at the Main library; attendance on Sunday at the branch libraries.

(Signed)

Wm. Thalheimer )  
C. R. Hemphill ( Committee"  
J. Morrison Ray)

The following letter was received from Mr. Pendleton Beckley, the City Attorney:

Jany. 18, 1916

"Mr. George T. Settle,  
Librarian Louisville Free Public Library,  
City.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of January 15th asking for an opinion of the legality of certain measures adopted by the Library Board.

Although eight questions are asked the whole matter resolves itself into the legality of two incidents:

1. Is the keeping open of the library on Sunday contrary to and a violation of the "Sunday" law?

2. Has the Library Board the right to employ other than regular employes for work in the library on Sunday?

There is no difference in law between the main library and a branch library.

1. The general Sunday law, Kentucky Statutes, section 1321, provides in part:

"No work or business shall be done on the Sabbath day, except the ordinary household offices, or other work of necessity or charity, or work required in the maintenance or operation of a ferry, skiff or steamboat, or steam or street railroads."

This has been the law in Kentucky for many years in reference to work on Sunday.

The question squarely presented is whether or not the opening of the library can be considered a "necessity" under this statute.

In the case of Commonwealth v. Louisville & Nashville Railroad Company, 80 Ky., 291, we find the following definition of necessity as used in this statute:

"No safer rule, we think, can be established, or any better definition given of the word necessity, than is found in the decision cited as adverse to the views therein expressed, and that is: 'The law regards that as necessary which the common sense of the country, in its ordinary mode of doing business, regards as necessary.' The change in the habits and customs of the people, and the mode and character of transportation and travel, makes that a necessity at this day that half a century since would not have been so regarded."

It may be fairly inferred from this and from other cases decided by our Court of Appeals since that date (see Page

v. O'Sullivan, etc., 159 Ky., 703) that the use of a public library on Sunday by the citizens of Louisville might well be considered a necessity under the law.

Although it is distinctly held by our Court that the Sunday law in a civil regulation enacted from motives of public policy and not a religious regulation, we can readily see how the use of a library on Sunday from religious motives could also be upheld.

2. The last half of section 4 of the act providing for the establishment and maintenance of the Free Public Library (Ky. Stats., Section 2801b) provides:

"The board shall, at the first meeting after the selection of its members, and annually thereafter, select out of their number a president and vice-president, whose duties shall be prescribed by its rules and regulations, and it may choose a secretary and a treasurer and such other officers, agents, and servants as it may deem proper and necessary, and may prescribe the duties required of them, fix their compensation, and may remove its appointees at pleasure."

The board, therefore, has the power to choose such officers, agents and servants as it may deem proper and necessary, prescribe the duties required of them and fix their compensation. I am of opinion that under this provision the board has the power to provide that its employes shall work upon all days on which the library is kept open, or that these employes may be employed for certain specified days and other employes employed for other days. The second question, therefore, resolves itself into a matter of policy, as the form of contract of employment, the term, amount of compensation, etc., under the act, is left to the discretion of the Library Board.

Yours very respectfully,

(Signed) Pendleton Beckley

City Attorney

The following tabulation of communications and resolutions received on this subject, was read by the Secretary:

- "1) The East End Improvement Club calls attention to the fact that Butchertown still craves a branch library that will be open the year round on Sundays: signed by Louis E. Marillia, Pres., John F. Certel, Leo. P. Kaufman, Sec., John Adams.
- 2) The Cherokee Improvement Club by resolution protests against the closing of the public library or branches on Sundays and holidays; signed by Albert Schneider, Secretary.

The following communications have been received from



citizens in the neighborhood of the branch libraries asking that the branches be closed all day on Sundays, or at least close at 6 o'clock on Sundays:

HIGHLAND BRANCH LIBRARY

- 3) Rev. A. Paul Bagby, Pastor Highland Baptist Church;
- 4) Rev. E. L. Jorgenson, Pastor Highland Church of Christ;
- 5) Rev. T. M. Hawes, Pastor Highland Presbyterian Church;

PORTLAND BRANCH LIBRARY

- 6) Rev. Paul H. Moore, Pastor Portland Ave. Presbyterian Church, enclosing a petition of 130 signatures of Portland residents, asking that the Portland Branch Library be closed all day on Sundays;

PARKLAND BRANCH LIBRARY

- 7) Rev. W. H. Hopper, Pastor Woodland Presbyterian Church, asking that the Parkland Branch Library be closed all day Sunday or at least at 6 o'clock, enclosing a petition of 34 signatures of Parkland residents;
- 8) Letter from the Parkland ministers asking that the Parkland Branch Library be closed on Sundays, signed by Arthur Fox, Pastor Parkland Baptist Church, U. G. Foote, Pastor Parkland Methodist Church, and W. H. Hopper, Pastor Parkland Presbyterian Church;

SHELBY PARK BRANCH LIBRARY

- 9) Letter stating that the Immanuel Baptist Church, situated at the corner of Clay and Oak Streets, representing between five and six hundred people living in the vicinity of the Shelby Park Branch Library, request that the library be closed on Sunday at the hours 6 to 9: signed by J. N. Binford, Moderator, Edwin Current, Acting Clerk.
- 10) Petition asking that the Shelby Park Branch Library be closed at 6 o'clock on Sundays, signed by 29 residents in the neighborhood of the library;

JEFFERSON BRANCH LIBRARY

- 11) Petition asking that the Jefferson Branch Library be closed all day on Sundays, signed by Harlan K. Fenner, Pastor Second English Lutheran Church, W. W. Horner, Pastor 22nd and Walnut Baptist Church, Samuel H. Lovelace, Pastor Jefferson St. Methodist Church, Theo. A. Haefele, Pastor St. Luke's German Evangelical Church, David Bruning Pastor St. Peter's German Evangelical Church, and

H. White Seifert, Pastor Wesley M. E. Church;

CRESCENT HILL BRANCH LIBRARY

- 12) Letter from Rev. J. J. Whitehouse, Pastor Crescent Hill Christian Church, asking that the branch libraries be closed at 6 o'clock on Sundays.

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- 13) Clipping from the Herald of Feb. 9, 1916 stating that the Allied Civic Clubs voted that the libraries be closed all day on Sundays;

- 14) Resolution of United Trades and Labor Assembly received at January meeting.

Col. Powers made a motion to postpone action on the same and requested the Secretary to notify each member of the Board that at the next regular meeting this matter would be taken up, and to urge their attendance. Upon motion the Yeas and Nays were called, as follows:

YEAS: Hemphill, Bartholomew, Young, Barker, Powers, Herr  
Ossmann.

NAYS: None.

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Mar. 8/1916.

Barnett Young President  
W.H. Bartholomew Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting March 8, 1916 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Powell, Powers, Mullins, Herr, Hemphill, Barker, Casmann, Ray, O'Brien, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report, through Mr. Barker, was submitted and approved. The report showed a cash balance March 1 of \$18,102.04 and stated that \$50,057.27 had been received from city taxes.

Mr. Barker submitted the following letter:

March 6, 1916

Mr. Thos. A. Barker,  
Louisville Trust Bldg.,  
City.

Dear Sir:-

We beg to advise that we have a client who would consider purchasing a piece of property similar to the property owned by the Public Library which is now occupied by Kaufman Straus Co. If said property could be purchased at a price that would justify a man in entering into a purchase of this character.

I wish you would kindly take this matter up at your earliest convenience and advise me the attitude of your board, and any possible price they would entertain for this character of property.

Very truly yours,

BRAND-FRAZIER CO.

BY Priest Frazier  
Vice-President

Upon motion of Col. Powers, it was approved that a special committee of three be appointed to look into the matter and make a report at the next regular meeting or at a call meeting, if necessary, and that Mr. Barker be chairman of the committee. The Chairman appointed Col. Powers and Mr. Herr as additional members of the committee.

The report of the Library Committee was read by the Secretary

and ordered filed.

The bills for the month which had been audited by the Library Committee were approved and ordered paid:

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| Abell Elevator Co.  | \$10 00 |
| Aldine Book Co.   | 16 25   |
| Arabol Mfg. Co.   | 4 80    |
| Associated Photo Co.  | 6 50    |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.                                   | 2 25    |
| Bland Electric Co.  | 6 20    |
| Boston Book Co.   | 2 50    |
| Bowker Co., R. R.   | 7 10    |
| Brumbaugh, Gaius M.   | 8 00    |
| Burnham Antique Book Store                                    | 8 00    |
| Cadmus Book Shop  | 10 08   |
| Campbell, William J.  | 8 75    |
| Carrell-Rogers Co.  | 12 50   |
| Caufield and Shook  | 1 00    |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.  | 5 66    |
| Clark Co., John   | 6 08    |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.   | 1 45    |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.                          | 25 01   |
| Dearing's Incorporated  | 665 28  |
| Dodd, Mead and Co.  | 13 46   |
| Dolfinger & Co., J.   | 1 75    |
| Dow Wire and Iron Works                                       | 9 55    |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.   | 8 96    |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.   | 3 75    |
| Germantown Printing Co.                                       | 12 00   |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)                              | 15 62   |
| Harcourt and Co.  | 9 50    |
| Hook, C. S.   | 6 00    |
| Hudson Book Co.   | 20 00   |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.   | 20 76   |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.  | 97 96   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.  | 318 20  |
| Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.                                   | 2 75    |
| Krausgill Piano Co.   | 8 90    |
| Lane, John  | 1 00    |
| Library Bureau  | 32 57   |
| Lothropp, Lee and Shepard Co.                                 | 1 14    |
| Louisville Courier Journal Co.                                | 14 75   |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.                               | 137 52  |
| Louisville Speedometer Service Station Co.                    | 6 00    |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                                   | 43 07   |
| Lull, Robert W.   | 1 00    |
| Mather, F. L.   | 6 00    |
| Mayes Printing Co.  | 4 25    |
| McClurg and Co., A. C.  | 75 30   |
| McGee, J. B.  | 1 50    |
| McGirr, Newman F.   | 4 00    |
| Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Co.                            | 4 05    |
| Morrison, Noah Farnham  | 6 07    |
| Morton & Co., John P.   | 104 00  |
| National Board of the Young Women's<br>Christian Associations | 1 21    |
| National Child Labor Committee                                | 2 00    |
| National Housing Association                                  | 1 50    |

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| National Tax Association            | \$3 00 |
| Ouerbacker Castleman Co.            | 5 18   |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.             | 6 75   |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                | 4 51   |
| Quick Tire Service                  | 17 15  |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                 | 103 20 |
| Remington Typewriter Co.            | 41 00  |
| Rhoads, Samuel N.                   | 2 75   |
| Schiller, D.                        | 1 00   |
| Settle, George T. Librarian         | 80 70  |
| Skinner's Book Store, John          | 2 00   |
| Standard Gas Station                | 10 05  |
| Standard Printing Co.               | 24 50  |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.           | 9 69   |
| Transo Envelope Co.                 | 7 35   |
| University of Chicago               | 12 71  |
| University of Chicago Press         | 1 50   |
| Van Nostrand Co., D.                | 1 80   |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                | 5 00   |
| Watts, John R.                      | 4 05   |
| Wegelin, Oscar                      | 2 50   |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. | 579 54 |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                   | 5 25   |

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| Pd) Settle, George T. Librarian |                   |
| Pay Roll                        | <u>3 949 55 M</u> |
|                                 | \$6 684 23 M      |

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| Pd) Louisville Trust Co. Bills Payable<br>and Interest | <u>25 425 02</u> |
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TOTAL \$32 109 25

The Librarian's report for February was read and approved. It showed a circulation of 107,589 volumes, an increase of 10,853 volumes over last year, and stated that 7,868 topics were looked up in the Reference departments, an increase of 2,447 topics over the corresponding month last year.

The Building Committee, through Mr. O'Brien, chairman, made the following report:

March 8, 1916

To the Library Board:

The Building Committee met on Feb. 25 and on Feb. 28. The meetings were called to consider granting Kaufman-Straus Co. the privilege of placing a refrigerating plant in the public library building.

The Chairman and Mr. Ossmann with the Librarian visited the building and went over the premises with the architect, and concluded that it would be best to have an architect representing the library to consider the matter. Mr. Settle referred it to D. X. Murphy & Bro. Mr. J. C. Murphy has carefully considered the matter and points out certain changes which are necessary and which must be made before the work can be done. I submit for the approval of the Board the following letter addressed to Kaufman-Straus Co. by the Librarian as directed by the Building Committee:

February 29, 1916

Kaufman-Straus Co.,  
427-437 S. Fourth Avenue,  
Louisville, Ky.

Attention Mr. J. B. Judah

Gentlemen:

Your letter of Feb. 11, 1916 asking permission to install a refrigerating plant in basement with a fur storage room attachment on the fifth floor of the public library building, was referred to the Building Committee.

The Committee in their desire to comply as fully as possible with your wishes in the matter, have employed D. X. Murphy & Bro. to represent the library and consult with your architect in the work.

I am instructed to say that you are privileged to install this plant without cost to the library provided that it complies with the requirements of the Inspector of Buildings of Louisville, the Kentucky Actuarial Bureau of Fire Insurance, (not to increase the fire insurance rate), that the library is not liable in case of accident, and that you follow D. X. Murphy & Bro.'s instructions in the construction, etc.

I am enclosing a copy of the letter received from the Kentucky Actuarial Bureau, a copy of the letter from the Inspector of Buildings, and returning the blue print which you loaned me.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Geo. T. Settle

Librarian

Upon motion of Mr. Barker, seconded by Col. Powers, the report was approved.

At this point the Building Committee asked permission to retire to consider a communication from D. X. Murphy & Bro. architects. Upon their return, the committee recommended that the roof of the public library building be repaired under the direction of

D. X. Murphy & Bro. Upon motion this recommendation was approved.  
Mr. O'Brien requests that D. X. Murphy & Bro.'s letter be recorded.  
It follows:

March 8, 1916

Mr. Geo. T. Settle, Librarian,  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
City.

Dear Sir:-

The writer made an inspection of the roof of the Kaufman-Straus building to see what repairs or resurfacing would be necessary.

The roof generally is in fair condition and we do not think it necessary at this time to remove the gravel and resurface the entire roof. There are bare spots in places which should be re-coated, but this can be done at a moderate expense.

We find that the roof over projecting part of front is in bad condition, the metal work at back having rotted out permitting water to enter back of flashing, thereby causing leaks along front. In the storm of yesterday, a portion of this roof was blown off and its condition would indicate that the remainder of it is not very secure and should be taken off and properly replaced, together with the metal work in connection with it.

We find, too, that the flashing of building in places is not very secure and should be gone over - some portions renewed, others made secure.

We also find that the roof under water tanks shows evidence of leaks in places and needs repairing.

We therefore recommend that the roof be gone over and bids invited from responsible contractors for putting it in condition and provision for a guarantee against leaks for a period of one year from date of repairs. We recommend this guarantee, as it might be possible that a few leaks would be overlooked in the first repairing, requiring a second trip to find them.

Yours respectfully,

(Signed) D. X. Murphy & Bro.  
Architects

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Dr. Hemphill of the Special Committee on Sunday and holiday opening of the libraries read the report of the committee (action

deferred from last Board meeting), and upon motion of Mr. O'Brien, seconded by Mr. Barker, it was unanimously approved. The report as adopted appears in full in the minutes of the February 1916 meeting.

A tabulated summary of communications, resolutions, etc. received from various organizations in the city bearing upon the question of opening and closing of the libraries was read by the Secretary. The following were received since the last Board meeting:

Letter under date February 25, 1916 from Hardin H. Herr enclosing letter of Feb. 24 from John R. Pflanz protesting against the Portland Branch Library being closed on Sundays;

Letter under date March 3, 1916 from C. R. Hemphill enclosing letter from the Woman's Club in which they favor the committee's report on Sunday and holiday opening of the libraries;

Letter from Caryl Spiller under date March seventh enclosing copy of letter sent to the Herald for publication;

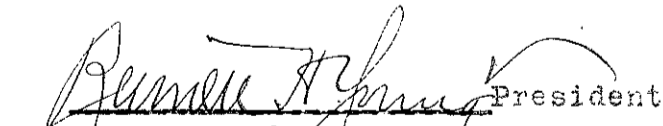
Clipping from Courier Journal of March 7, 1916 stating that the Louisville Ministerial Association favors closing of the libraries at 6 o'clock.

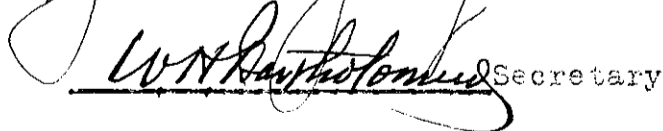
The request of the Louisville Women's Civic Association to place an exhibit in the branch libraries was granted.

The Board then adjourned.

Minutes Approved

Apr. 12, 1916

  
President

  
Secretary



## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting April 12, 1916 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Powers, Herr, Thalheimer, Ossmann, Mullins, Ray, Hemphill, Powell, Barker, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Announcement was made that a Hardman upright piano had been donated to the Portland Branch Library, whereupon the Board ordered that thanks be sent to the Portland Workers Club, Parent-Teacher Association of Portland and the Aeneas Club, through the Portland Piano Committee composed of Dr. C. H. Harris, Dr. W. B. Foreman, Mrs. George Whitesides and Mrs. S. E. Michot.

The communication from the Mayor's Secretary was read notifying the Board that the Mayor had reappointed Dr. C. R. Hemphill, Mr. Thomas A. Barker and Dr. J. Morrison Ray as members of the Board to succeed themselves for a period of four years. These gentlemen presented certificates of qualification which were ordered filed.

The Crescent Hill Forward Club, through its secretary, Mr. E. D. Axton, sent a letter to the Board stating that the Club unanimously approved the action of the Board in closing the branch libraries at 6 o'clock on Sundays.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Mr. Herr, and was received and ordered filed. The report showed a cash balance April 1 of \$18,951.37 and stated that this month's bills and pay roll amount to \$8,376.20.

The Librarian's report for the month was received and filed. The report showed that the circulation for March was 113,700 volumes, an increase of 5,460 volumes over the same month last year. This is the largest monthly circulation in the history of the library and includes 50,091 books read by children and 8,793 volumes cir-

culated through the stations. There was an increase of 3,617 reference topics looked up over the same month last year.

The report of the Library Committee was as follows:

It was recommended and unanimously approved that the following members of the staff be given an increase of \$5.00 per month beginning with April 1916:

|                |                       |
|----------------|-----------------------|
| Anna Coldewey  | Sallie T. Berryman    |
| Edna Grauman   | Ruth Theobald         |
| Ella C. Warren | Jessie M. Taylor      |
| Hall Warren    | Lorraine Norris       |
| Maude Sehon    | Minnie Dearing Miller |
|                | Elizabeth I. Finney   |
|                | Thos. F. Blue         |

Mr. Herr moved that the recommendation of the Library Committee not to place stations at the Home of the Knights of Columbus, 816 S. Fourth St., at the Y. W. C. A., Second and Broadway, and the Y. M. H. A., Third and Broadway, because they were too near the Main library, be approved, but Mr. Barker moved as a substitute, seconded by Dr. Powell, that the requests be granted. The substitute was adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Barker, Powell, Mullins, Thalheimer, Ossmann, Hemphill and Ray. Nays: Young, Powers, Herr, and Bartholomew.

Dr. Hemphill was excused at this time because of an engagement.

The recommendation that the New Thought Organization be not allowed the use of the Assembly Room for lectures was approved.

The recommendation that a writing desk be placed in the Civics Room for public use and that ink, pens and stationery be furnished for writing letters, etc., was unanimously approved.

The bills for the month which had been audited by General Young, Prof. Bartholomew and Col. Powers, of the Library Committee, were approved and ordered paid:

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|----------------------------|--------|
| Abbatt, William            | \$7 50 |
| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co. | 2 75   |
| A. L. A. Publishing Board  | 1 15   |

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|---------------------------------------|---------|
| American Society of Civil Engineers   | \$2 25  |
| Atlas Coal Co.                        | 265 10  |
| Auto Exchange                         | 1 50    |
| Baptist Book Concern                  | 1 75    |
| Bate, E. R.                           | 17 55   |
| Becker, Vernon                        | 3 00    |
| Bickel Co., Henry                     | 6 82    |
| Bland Electric Co.                    | 20 65   |
| Bomar Book Co.                        | 1 00    |
| Boston Book Co.                       | 18 00   |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                     | 3 10    |
| Brentano's                            | 1 44    |
| Caron Directory Co.                   | 61 60   |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                 | 1 55    |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.  | 26 56   |
| Dearing's Incorporated                | 1305 71 |
| Dinkelspiel, Blanche                  | 6 30    |
| Ditson Co., Oliver                    | 19 50   |
| Dodd, Robert H.                       | 8 29    |
| Drama League of America               | 4 50    |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                   | 16 43   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                   | 20 56   |
| Fischer, Co., Heinrich                | 24 80   |
| Frogge, John                          | 4 00    |
| Gaylord Bros.                         | 75 25   |
| General Specialties Co.               | 9 75    |
| Germantown Printing Co.               | 12 00   |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Department) | 13 00   |
| Harper, Lathrop C.                    | 11 25   |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff           | 2 45    |
| Hudson Book Co.                       | 37 50   |
| Huntting Co., H. R.                   | 1 90    |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                 | 26 99   |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                    | 41 30   |
| Kee Lox Mfg. Co.                      | 1 60    |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                | 360 60  |
| Kentucky Educational Association      | 1 00    |
| Kentucky State Library                | 1 00    |
| Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.           | 1 43    |
| Krausgill Piano Co.                   | 2 25    |
| Lampton, Crane & Ramey Co.            | 10 72   |
| Lane, John                            | 2 50    |
| Lemcke & Buechner                     | 15 56   |
| Lewis Historical Publishing Co.       | 16 67   |
| Library Bureau                        | 113 46  |
| Library of Congress                   | 100 00  |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.         | 131 17  |
| Louisville Grocery Co.                | 3 92    |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.         | 102 75  |
| Louisville Paper Co.                  | 17 85   |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.           | 14 25   |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                  | 349 41  |
| Masson & Co., J. B. Mirror Works      | 4 80    |
| Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Co.    | 5 25    |
| Miller & MacKenzie Polish Co.         | 2 50    |
| Morris Book Shop                      | 7 30    |
| Morton & Co., John P.                 | 144 47  |
| Music Teachers' National Association  | 1 60    |
| Newhall, Daniel H.                    | 2 50    |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.               | 6 78    |

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| Passavant, D. L.                        | \$9 31       |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                    | 1 41         |
| Polk & Co., R. L.                       | 29 00        |
| Pratt, C. S.                            | 2 20         |
| Quick Tire Service                      | 1 15         |
| Ramsay, Allan                           | 8 75         |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                     | 38 80        |
| Robinson, E. R.                         | 1 25         |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian               | 121 27       |
| Shaw, Ralph C.                          | 4 35         |
| Skilton Ice Co.                         | 3 00         |
| Standard Gas Station Co.                | 11 31        |
| Sterling Compounds Co.                  | 1 00         |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                    | 5 00         |
| Warwick and York                        | 10 30        |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.     | 599 06       |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.             | 3 00         |
| Willard Co., The                        | 1 50         |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                       | 4 50         |
| Wood, Stubbs and Co.                    | 6 90         |
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|   | \$4 369 15 M |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian, Pay Roll | 4 007 05 M   |
| TOTAL                                   | \$8 376 20 M |

At this time Dr. Powell was excused.

Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Special Committee to consider the sale of the Public Library Building, made the following report which was received and approved:

April 12, 1916

To the Library Board:

The Special Committee to consider the sale of the Public Library Building, upon call of your chairman, met in Col. Power's office at the Commonwealth Life Insurance Co. building, Tuesday, April 11, at 12 o'clock.

Your Committee submits the following:

1) This is a valuable piece of real estate located in the centre of the retail shopping district, and if a fair price can be obtained for it, we think it should be sold, and after payment of incumbrances, the remainder invested in good securities.

2) The Trustees should not, at this time, fix any price on the property, but if an offer is submitted the question of value should be thoroughly considered and some plan devised whereby the widest publicity may be given to the subject.

(Signed) Thos. A. Barker }

J. D. Powers }

Hardin H. Herr }

Committee

Mr. Herr gave notice that at the next meeting he would move that the time of the monthly meetings shall be changed from the second Wednesday to the second Tuesday of each month.

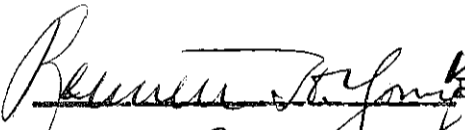
The following officers were elected:


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| President           | Mayor John H. Buschemeyer |
| Vice-President      | General Bennett H. Young  |
| Secretary           | Prof. W. H. Bartholomew   |
| Assistant Secretary | George T. Settle          |
| Treasurer           | Louisville Trust Co.      |

The meeting then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

May 10, 1916

  
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President

  
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Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting May 10, 1916 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Thalheimer, Barker, Hemphill, Ossmann,  
Herr, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Finance Committee was submitted by Mr. Barker, Chairman, and showed a cash balance on hand May 1 of \$15,324.81. The report stated that the following checks had been received from the insurance companies settling the fire loss at the Highland Branch Library:

|                                    |                             |              |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| American Central Insurance Company | J. B. Slaughter & Co. Agent | \$ 77.45     |
| City of New York                   | Reutlinger & Stith          | 109.45       |
| German Security of Louisville      | Edw. J. Miller & Co.        | 106.83       |
| Insurance Company of North America | Reutlinger & Stith          | 213.65       |
| Northwestern National              | Brown & Martin              | 64.09        |
| Peoples National                   | Levi Bloom                  | <u>42.73</u> |
|                                    |                             | \$614.20     |

Upon motion the report was unanimously approved.

The report of the Librarian for the month was read by the Assistant Secretary, Mr. Settle, and was approved. The report stated that the total circulation for April was 94,555 volumes, an increase of 3,380 volumes over the same month last year, and that 7,335 reference topics were looked up, an increase of 3,186 over April last year.

The two members of the Library Committee present, General Young and Professor Bartholomew, submitted the bills which had been audited by them. Upon motion they were approved and ordered paid:

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|----------------------------|----------|
| Abell Elevator Co.         | \$ 21.50 |
| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co. | 2.85     |
| Aldine Book Co.            | 16 25    |
| American Book Co.          | 34 16    |
| American Civic Association | 5 00     |

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| American Medical Association           | \$ 8 00 |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.          | 2 50    |
| American Printing House for the Blind  | 20 40   |
| Anderson, Margaret S.                  | 7 85    |
| Atlas Coal Co.                         | 35 20   |
| Baker and Taylor Co.                   | 3 60    |
| Bates and Guild Co.                    | 8 00    |
| Becker, Vernon W.                      | 1 50    |
| Bieber, Albert A.                      | 9 00    |
| Boston Book Co.                        | 8 00    |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                      | 2 20    |
| Brown, R. W.                           | 113 10  |
| Carter Dry Goods Co.                   | 2 49    |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                   | 1 00    |
| Cowan and Co., Andrew                  | 30 00   |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                  | 1 50    |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co. | 24 65   |
| Dearing's Incorporated                 | 864 58  |
| Dixie Auto Supply Co.                  | 1 00    |
| Dodd, Mead and Co.                     | 4 05    |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                    | 5 52    |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                    | 16 22   |
| Finck, Carl H.                         | 1 50    |
| Ford Motor Co.                         | 3 00    |
| Gaylord Bros.                          | 156 18  |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)       | 18 53   |
| Hero, J. C.                            | 4 50    |
| Houghton Mifflin Co.                   | 15 90   |
| Howard-Severance Co.                   | 28 50   |
| Hudson Book Co.                        | 16 50   |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                  | 15 78   |
| Jeunesse, R.                           | 3 05    |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                     | 128 94  |
| Kentucky Auto Radiator Repair Co.      | 3 50    |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                 | 290 85  |
| Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.            | 1 20    |
| Louisville Courier Journal Co.         | 7 90    |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.          | 109 42  |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.            | 14 25   |
| McClellan, George M.                   | 4 50    |
| McClurg and Co., A. C.                 | 460 86  |
| Merchants Ice & Cold Storage Co.       | 5 85    |
| Morton & Co., John P.                  | 63 55   |
| Newhall, Daniel H.                     | 18 75   |
| Norall, Arvid                          | 18 96   |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                | 21 78   |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                   | 3 39    |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                    | 30 35   |
| Ritter, C. V.                          | 3 20    |
| Ruebush-Elkins Co.                     | 1 50    |
| Schirmer, G.                           | 5 39    |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian              | 81 00   |
| Skilton Ice Co.                        | 1 50    |
| Skinner's Book Store, John             | 3 32    |
| Standard Gas Station                   | 14 95   |
| Standard Printing Co.                  | 15 15   |
| Stonestreet and Ford                   | 5 00    |
| Successful Americans                   | 10 00   |
| Swindler, E. F.                        | 14 00   |

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| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.           |               | \$ 27 37                    |  |
| Van Nostrand Co., D.                |               | 2 40                        |  |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                |               | 5 00                        |  |
| Wagenvoord and Co.                  |               | 1 00                        |  |
| Watts, John R.                      |               | 13 90                       |  |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. |               | 527 20                      |  |
| Willard Co., The                    |               | 2 40                        |  |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                   |               | <u>121 00</u>               |  |
|                                     |               | \$3 552 89 <sup>M</sup>     |  |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Libn. Pay Roll  |               | <u>3 969 03<sup>M</sup></u> |  |
|                                     |               | \$7 521 92                  |  |
| Pd) Abraham Roofing Co. M.          | \$33 80       |                             |  |
| Pd) Wagner's Sons Co., J.F.         | <u>304 00</u> | <u>337 80</u>               |  |
|                                     | TOTAL         | \$7 859 72                  |  |

The report of the Building Committee through Mr. Thalheimer, was read and approved and is as follows:

May 10, 1916

To the Library Board:

We wish to report that the fire loss at the Highland Branch Library has been satisfactorily adjusted and the necessary repairs made to put the building in good condition. Checks have been received from the following insurance companies:

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| American Central (J. B. Slaughter & Co.                    | \$ 77 45     |
| City of New York (Reutlinger & Stith)                      | 109 45       |
| German Security of Louisville<br>(Edw. J. Miller & Co.)    | 106 83       |
| Insurance Company of North America<br>(Reutlinger & Stith) | 213 65       |
| Northwestern National<br>(Brown & Martin)                  | 64 09        |
| Peoples National (Levi Bloom)                              | <u>42 73</u> |
|  | \$614 20     |

These checks will be turned over to the Treasurer.

The following vouchers are recommended for payment covering the work in making these repairs:

|                        |             |
|------------------------|-------------|
| F. A. Clegg & Co.      | 59 04       |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co. | 10 00       |
| Miller Co., Will B.    | 541 71      |
| Morton & Co., John P.  | <u>3 45</u> |
|                        | \$614 20    |

Upon request of the owners of the property adjoining the Highland Branch Library, it was authorized that fences be constructed jointly by the Library and the owners, using the present material as far as



possible, and the Librarian was instructed to employ a civil engineer to make survey and mark property line before the fences were placed. This survey shows that the apartment building foundation is two inches on library property. This is called to the attention of the Board for action before the fences are placed.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Wm. Thalheimer

Building Committee

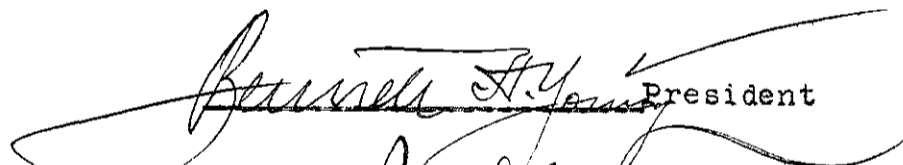
Mr. Thalheimer moved that the matter of the fence at the Highland Branch Library be referred to the Building Committee with power to act. This was approved.

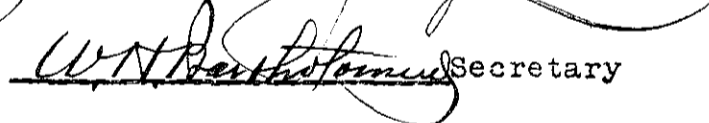
Mr. Herr withdrew his motion made at a previous meeting to change the day of meeting.

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

June 14, 1916

  
President

  
Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting June 14, 1916 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Powers, Thalheimer, Hemphill, O'Brien, Herr, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A telegram by Professor Bartholomew and Mr. Settle, which reads as follows, was sent to Mayor John H. Buschemeyer:

June 13, 1916

Mayor John H. Buschemeyer  
 President, Board of Trustees  
 Louisville Free Public Library  
 Hotel Maryland,  
 St. Louis, Mo.

The Board of Trustees and Library Staff rejoice that you escaped serious injury in the railroad accident.

(Signed) W. H. Bartholomew  
 George T. Settle

The same was unanimously approved by the Board.

A communication from Alfred Struck Co. asking permission to cross the library grounds in order to install the heating plant for the Church of the Messiah was considered by the Board. Mr. Thalheimer moved that the same be not granted inasmuch as it would disfigure the lawn of the Main library and that there were other routes which could be taken by the Weissinger-Gaulbert Co. to reach the Church of the Messiah. The same was approved.

Notice was received that Mayor John H. Buschemeyer, president of the Board, had appointed the following standing committees for the year:

## BUILDING COMMITTEE

E. J. O'Brien, Chairman  
 Edgar Y. Mullins      William Thalheimer  
                                  Philip Ossmann

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thomas A. Barker, Chairman  
 Charles R. Hemphill      Hardin H. Herr  
                                  J. Morrison Ray

LIBRARY COMMITTEE  
Bennett H. Young, Chairman  
W. H. Bartholomew Joshua D. Powers  
Edward L. Powell

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
Bennett H. Young, Chairman  
Edward J. O'Brien Thomas A. Barker

The music collection of Miss Mildred J. Hill was donated to the library by her sister, Miss Mary Hill. The same was unanimously received and the Secretary was ordered to express the thanks of the Board.

The Treasurer's report was submitted by Dr. Hemphill and was ordered filed. The report showed a cash balance June 1st of \$6,018.29 and stated that \$3,000. would be added from rent Public Library building on or about June 10.

The Library Committee's report was as follows:

The recommendation that thanks be extended to Mr. Otto A. Rothert, 132 E. Gray Street, for the collection of Kentucky fossils given to the library, was approved.

The offer of the Puro Water Filter Company to install a large Puro Water Filter Cabinet was declined.

The request of the Navy League of the United States that the library become a member of the association was considered but it was decided that the library should not join at this time.

The recommendation that quotations be received on waste paper which is at present being given to the Salvation Army, was approved.

It was recommended and approved that the trees at the Portland and Crescent Hill Branch Libraries which are in bad condition be removed.

The offer of Mr. C. Lewis Diehl, 932 Cherokee Road, to donate two pictures to the library, "Adam and Eve before and after the Fall", was declined.

The date for the annual examination for admission to the appren-

tice class preparing for service in the library was fixed as Wednesday, June 21, at 9 a.m. in the Art Room for white applicants, and at the Western Colored Branch Library for colored applicants. The following requirements for applicants were unanimously approved by the Board:

"Any resident or taxpayer of the City of Louisville, or son or daughter of a taxpayer, over eighteen and under thirty-five years of age, having completed a full four years high school course or its equivalent is eligible to take the examination."

The recommendation that the apprentice class be postponed until sometime next year, instead of beginning in September this year as usual, was approved.

The following bills for the month, which had been audited by Col. Powers, General Young and Prof. Bartholomew, of the Library Committee, were approved and ordered paid:

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| Abell Elevator Co.   | \$10.00 |
| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co.   | 11.20   |
| American Book Co.  | 104.47  |
| American Association for Study and<br>Prevention of Infant Mortality | 3.11    |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.  | 3.95    |
| American Printing House for the Blind                                | 14.69   |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.  | 14.12   |
| Arabol Mfg. Co.  | 4.80    |
| Atlas Coal Co.   | 11.00   |
| Becker, Emil   | 12.40   |
| Becker, Vernon W.  | 2.00    |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.  | 11.66   |
| Bell Co., J. P.  | 4.40    |
| Bittner's Sons, G.   | 3.00    |
| Bland Electric Co.   | 9.10    |
| Bowker Co., R. R.  | 1.40    |
| Burroughs Adding Machine Co.   | 1.00    |
| Cadmus Book Shop   | 28.25   |
| Caron Directory Co.  | 8.00    |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.   | 10.00   |
| Crescent Hardware House  | 1.25    |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.  | 1.55    |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.                               | 24.65   |
| Dearing's Incorporated   | 484.98  |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.  | 14.68   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.  | 43.40   |
| Finck, Carl H.   | 4.50    |
| Fischer Co., Heinrich  | 24.05   |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.  | 11.80   |
| Fuller Ink Co.   | 5.52    |

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| Gaylord Bros.                                | 47.97  |
| Gough, W. A.                                 | 4.25   |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)             | 15.70  |
| Hale Office Specialty Co.                    | 1.00   |
| Harper, Lillie DuPuy Van Culin               | 9.25   |
| Hubbuck Bros. and Wellendorff                | 1.35   |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                        | 75.36  |
| Iroquis Publishing Co.                       | 6.72   |
| Jewish Publication Society of<br>America     | 3.00   |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                           | 150.78 |
| Kavanaugh, F. K.                             | 7.00   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                       | 337.65 |
| Krausgill Piano Co.                          | 1.40   |
| Library Bureau                               | 117.57 |
| Louisville Courier Journal Co.               | 4.55   |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.              | 96.04  |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.                | 1.80   |
| Louisville Paper Co.                         | 39.60  |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                  | 15.05  |
| Matlack, W. H.                               | 53.97  |
| Mayes Printing Co.                           | 2.75   |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                         | 135.04 |
| Morton & Co., John P.                        | 25.65  |
| Nitschke, D.                                 | 2.96   |
| Ouerbacher-Castleman Co.                     | 16.00  |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                         | 14.62  |
| People's Motor Co.                           | 13.90  |
| Quick Tire Service                           | 2.60   |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                          | 6.50   |
| Recktenwald Bros.                            | 1.00   |
| Reifsneider, G. F.                           | 7.00   |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                     | 3.00   |
| Ridsdale Bros.                               | 9.00   |
| Robinson, Norton & Co., J. M.                | 4.46   |
| Royal Printing Co.                           | 22.20  |
| Schirmer, G.                                 | 8.77   |
| Schoppenhorst Dry Cleaning and<br>Dyeing Co. | 1.00   |
| Science Press                                | 6.00   |
| Settle, George T. Librarian                  | 77.99  |
| Skilton Ice Co.                              | 1.55   |
| Skinner's Book Store, John                   | 8.50   |
| Slaughter, T. Grant                          | 50.75  |
| Special Libraries Association                | 1.00   |
| Standard Gas Station                         | 15.79  |
| Standard Printing Co.                        | 9.90   |
| Steinmetz & Sons, John                       | 3.90   |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                         | 5.00   |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate<br>Co.       | 156.97 |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                            | 2.25   |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                           | 2.25   |
| Young Men's Christian Association            | 1.00   |

Forwarded--\$2 494.24

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| Brought Forward  | \$2,494.24M                  |
| Pd) Settle, George T. Librarian<br>Pay Roll                            | 4,003.85M                    |
| Pd) New York Exchange for the Mutual<br>Life Insurance Co. of New York | <u>7,750.00</u> <sup>M</sup> |
| TOTAL-----   | \$14,248.09 <sup>M</sup>     |

The Librarian's report for the month was read showing a circulation of 93,881 volumes, an increase of 593 volumes over the same month last year. The report stated that the story telling contests were held at the Western and Eastern Colored Branches this month, and that a gold medal was awarded the winner. Upon motion the report was approved.

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

July 12, 1916

Russell H. Young President  
W. N. DeLoach Secretary

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting July 12, 1916 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Powers, Ray, O'Brien, Hemphill, Herr, Ossmann, Thalheimer, Barker, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read by the Chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. Barker, and stated that the cash balance July 1 was \$4,767.29. To this was to be added \$3,000.00 from rent Public Library building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Co., making a total of \$7,767.29. Upon motion the report was approved.

The Librarian's report for the month was read, showing a circulation of 71,593 volumes, an increase of 15,737 over June 1914 but a decrease of 1,566 over 1915. The report stated that a writing desk was placed in the Civics Room for public use.

The Library Committee's report was read and was as follows:

The recommendation that ten of the following who received the highest averages in the examination be admitted to the apprentice class, was approved:

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| Margaret Ford                                   | 91.3        |
| Edna Julia Steinacker                           | 77.8        |
| Mary Winston Berry                              | 76.8        |
| Marion Isabel Steidle                           | 73.9        |
| Elnora Alberts                                  | 73          |
| Katherine Thomas Weakley <i>(only 10 years)</i> | 68.4        |
| Sue Hunt Frost                                  | 64.8        |
| Ruth Marie Osborne                              | 64.6        |
| Dorothy Driskill                                | 63.5        |
| <u>Eleanor Maria Berry</u>                      | <u>62.8</u> |
| Hattie Goldsmith                                | 59.4        |
| Hannah Weakley                                  | 54.8        |
| Marie Bannon                                    | 49.7        |
| Elsie Marie Beck                                | 46.9        |
| Edith Cecelia Stone                             | 45          |
| Alvina Edith Gunther                            | 44.5        |
| Louise Elizabeth Bartlett                       | 39.3        |

The recommendation that Miss Catherine Griffith Mullen, who dropped out of the class last year on account of ill health, and Miss Emma J. Shriner, the librarian at the Normal School, be

allowed to take the apprentice course, was approved.

The recommendation that Miss Jennie M. Flexner, head of the Circulation Department, be granted leave of absence to September 15, on account of illness, to be paid to July 14, was approved.

The recommendation that Miss Hall Warren, who was named to take charge during Miss Flexner's absence, be paid \$5.00 per month additional covering this time, was approved.

Miss Pearl Hinesley, an assistant in the Circulation Department, was granted ten month's leave of absence beginning September 1 without pay, to attend New York State Library School, Albany, N. Y.

The recommendation that Olive J. Ring be appointed as an assistant and assigned to the Portland Branch Library, was approved.

The recommendation that the resignation of Mrs. Matilda B. Tyler, who was married to George G. Fetter, Sr., be accepted, was approved, and the Secretary was requested to write Mrs. Tyler the congratulations of the Board.

The bills for the month after having been audited by the Library Committee, were unanimously approved, and ordered paid:

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| Abell Elevator Co.                     | \$10.00 |
| Adams, Jeanette                        | 2.15    |
| American Men of Mark                   | 5 00    |
| American Printing House for the Blind  | 26 79   |
| Appel, M.                              | 109 75  |
| Bailey, I. G.                          | 1 50    |
| Baker and Taylor Co.                   | 2 01    |
| Baldwin Law Book Co.                   | 6 00    |
| Becker, Vernon G.                      | 3 00    |
| Behrens, Clara L. (Order Dept.)        | 12 88   |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                      | 23 00   |
| Cadmus Book Shop                       | 19 65   |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                   | 19 72   |
| Courier Journal Job Printing Co.       | 5 50    |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                  | 3 00    |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.                     | 21 50   |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co. | 25 16   |
| Dearing's Incorporated                 | 349 26  |
| Dodd, Mead and Co.                     | 13 46   |
| Dow Wire and Iron Works                | 27 50   |
| Drane, Merritt                         | 5 00    |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                    | 7 36    |



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| Elm Tree Press                            | \$1 00              |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                       | 1 60                |
| Foley, P. K.                              | 2 00                |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                     | 3 50                |
| Gaylord Bros.                             | 49 50               |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry                 | 3 55                |
| Henderson, Archibald                      | 1 20                |
| Himebaugh and Browne                      | 12 00               |
| Hoke Co., The                             | 4 00                |
| Hubbuch Bros. and Wellendorff             | 5 10                |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                     | 48 10               |
| Jeunesse, R.                              | 13 50               |
| Journal of Negro History                  | 1 00                |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                    | 375 14              |
| Kirchdorfer, J. C.                        | 1 50                |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.             | 4 60                |
| Krausgill Piano Co.                       | 2 20                |
| Lampton, Crane and Ramey Co.              | 9 03                |
| Lane Co., John                            | 1 72                |
| Lemcke and Buechner                       | 4 00                |
| Library Bureau                            | 77 86               |
| Library of Congress                       | 100 00              |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.           | 84 60               |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.             | 105 75              |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.               | 14 35               |
| McClurg and Co., A. C.                    | 15 38               |
| Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Co.        | 17 55               |
| Miller Polish Co.                         | 2 50                |
| Morton & Co., John P.                     | 144 35              |
| Newhall, Daniel H.                        | 3 50                |
| Norall, Arvid                             | 22 65               |
| O'Hart Publishing Co.                     | 10 00               |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                   | 17 61               |
| Peterson, E. E.                           | 93 50               |
| Polk Co., R. L.                           | 5 00                |
| Powner's Book Store                       | 45 80               |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                       | 19 35               |
| Schardein & Sons, F. S.                   | 5 50                |
| Schoppenhorst Dry Cleaning and Dyeing Co. | 1 00                |
| Schulz, George                            | 40 00               |
| Settle, George T. Librarian               | 75 80               |
| Ahipley, Frank C.                         | 10 00               |
| Short Co., Frank                          | 85 00               |
| Skilton Ice Co.                           | 3 00                |
| Skinner's Book Store, John                | 8 15                |
| Stammer, P.                               | 2 50                |
| Standard Gas Station                      | 17 39               |
| Standard Printing Co.                     | 12 25               |
| Stilz, Henry G.                           | 1 50                |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                      | 5 00                |
| Wagner's Sons Co., J. F.                  | 33 10               |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                        | 1 35                |
| Watts, John R.                            | 15 00               |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.       | 143 28              |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.               | 3 00                |
|   | <u>\$2 486 00 M</u> |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Libn. Pay Roll        | 4 222 30 M          |
| TOTAL-----                                | \$6 708 30 M        |

The question of closing the branch libraries on Sundays during July and August was brought up, but it was moved that no change be made in Sunday hours. The following report of the attendance was submitted:

| September 1915 - July 9, 1916 |              |             |              |                    |
|-------------------------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Branch                        | 2 - 6        | 6 - 9       | Total        | Average per Sunday |
| Highland                      |              |             | 1916         | 46                 |
| Portland                      | 1325         | 726         | 2051         | 49                 |
| Crescent Hill                 | 1850         | 599         | 2449         | 58                 |
| Parkland                      | 2577         | 619         | 3196         | 76                 |
| Shelby Park                   | 2832         | 1265        | 4097         | 97                 |
| Jefferson                     | 1461         | 357         | 1818         | 40                 |
| Eastern Colored               | 3738         | 1203        | 4941         | 117                |
| <b>Total</b>                  | <b>13783</b> | <b>4769</b> | <b>18552</b> | <b>483</b>         |

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| June (Four Sundays) | 69 | 59 | 74 | 85 | 216 | 110 | 281 |
| Average per Sunday  | 17 | 14 | 18 | 21 | 54  | 27  | 70  |
| July (Two Sundays)  | 44 | 16 | 48 | 58 | 42  | 57  | 110 |
| Average per Sunday  | 22 | 8  | 24 | 29 | 21  | 28  | 55  |

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Sept. 13, 1916

*Bennett H. Young* President  
*W. N. Bartholomew* Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

August 9, 1916

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library was not held on the above date because of the absence of a quorum. Seven members of the Board were absent from the city, and five only had signified their intention to attend, which was two short of a quorum. For this reason, the meeting was called off.

The following letter was sent to the Executive Committee by the Secretary:

August 10, 1916

Gen. Bennett H. Young, Chairman,  
Mr. E. J. O'Brien,  
Mr. Thomas A. Barker  
Executive Committee,  
Board of Trustees,  
Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

As Secretary of the Library Board, I herewith respectfully submit the following facts for your information:

Five members only signified their intention to be present at the regular monthly Board meeting for Wednesday, August 9, with seven members reported out of the city as follows: Barker, Hemphill, Mullins, Powell, Powers, Thalheimer, and Young. For this reason the regular monthly meeting was legally impossible.

Inasmuch as this Board meeting closes the fiscal year in finances, I have examined the pay roll for July 1916, voucher no. 6302, checks nos. 5400 to 5482 inclusive, amounting to \$4,258.10 which has been approved by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid, and bills for current maintenance, voucher no. 6303, checks nos. 5483 to 5568 inclusive, amounting to \$3,562.63 and report them correct, and suggest that the bills be approved by the members of the Executive Committee for payment so that the fiscal year can be closed. The expert accountant will then be able to make a full report of the year as required by law.

Please signify your approval on the reverse side and return to the Librarian.

I am,  
APPROVED; E. J. O'Brien  
Thos. A. Barker  
Bennett H. Young

Very truly yours,  
(Signed) W. H. Bartholomew  
Secretary

The bills for the month, as follows, were approved by the Executive Committee for payment:

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| Abell Elevator Co.                     | \$ 10 00 |
| American Book Co.                      | 55 26    |
| American Prison Association            | 1 50     |
| Anderson, Margaret S.                  | 5 50     |
| Appel, M.                              | 10 68    |
| Baker and Taylor Co.                   | 10 65    |
| Baldwin Law Book Co.                   | 1 25     |
| Becker, Vernon W.                      | 3 10     |
| Bland Electric Co.                     | 15 20    |
| Bohn, H. A.                            | 22 00    |
| Carrell-Rogers Co.                     | 44 50    |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                   | 3 00     |
| Cowan and Co., Andrew                  | 20 00    |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                  | 3 10     |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co. | 24 65    |
| Cummins, Co., B. F.                    | 7 48     |
| Dearing's Incorporated                 | 66 23    |
| Dearing's Incorporated                 | 200 00   |
| Dow Wire and Iron Works                | 7 80     |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                    | 1 84     |
| Educational Publishing Co.             | 39 04    |
| Elm Tree Press                         | 2 00     |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                    | 31 00    |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                    | 5 96     |
| Fischer Co., Heinrich                  | 24 55    |
| Flanagan Co., A.                       | 20 00    |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                  | 4 20     |
| Gaylord Bros.                          | 11 55    |
| Ginn and Co.                           | 76 74    |
| Goodspeed's Book Store                 | 5 40     |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Department)  | 6 42     |
| Heath and Co., D. C.                   | 47 57    |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry              | 8 70     |
| Hudson Book Co.                        | 26 00    |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                  | 26 53    |
| International News Co.                 | 1 00     |
| Jeunesse, R.                           | 2 00     |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                     | 2 12     |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                 | 401 00   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                 | 300 00   |
| Kentucky Tent and Awning Co.           | 65 00    |
| Lemcke and Buechner                    | 1 20     |
| Lesch, Rudolf                          | 3 75     |
| Library Bureau                         | 5 00     |
| Louisville Chemicle Co.                | 5 00     |
| Longmans, Green and Co.                | 111 04   |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.        | 79 97    |
| Louisville Grocery Co.                 | 4 00     |
| Louisville Paper Co.                   | 17 58    |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.            | 14 25    |
| "Mac-Terry" Publishing Co., The        | 3 50     |
| McClurg and Co., A. C.                 | 559 12   |
| McDevitt-Wilson's                      | 4 12     |
| Mill Remnants Co.                      | 39 50    |
| Morton & Co., John P.                  | 91 54    |
| Murphy & Bro., D. X.                   | 59 38    |
| Nordstrom, Frederick                   | 12 50    |

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| Office Equipment Co.                    | \$142 25     |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                 | 12 14        |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                    | 35 80        |
| Penn Publishing Co.                     | 55 38        |
| Peterson, E. E.                         | 72 75        |
| Pirtle and Weaver                       | 47 25        |
| Quick Tire Service                      | 3 55         |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                     | 7 40         |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                | 73 00        |
| Sargent, Porter E.                      | 1 80         |
| Schulz, George                          | 16 00        |
| Scott Publishing Co., Leonard           | 2 00         |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian               | 127 26       |
| Shaw, Ralph C.                          | 12 60        |
| Skilton Ice Co.                         | 3 10         |
| Slaughter, T. Grant                     | 32 19        |
| Standard Gas Station                    | 14 60        |
| Standard Printing Co.                   | 2 25         |
| Stewart Products Service Station        | 1 25         |
| Stilz, Henry G.                         | 1 80         |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.               | 35 47        |
| Thoms & Eron                            | 7 20         |
| Universal Fixture Corp.                 | 33 20        |
| Van Nostrand Co., D.                    | 4 95         |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                    | 5 00         |
| Ward Bros.                              | 40 00        |
| Wegelin, Oscar                          | 1 64         |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.     | 135 58       |
| Wilson Magazine Agency                  | 3 25         |
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|   | \$3 562 63 M |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian, Pay roll | 4 258 10 M   |
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| TOTAL-----                              | \$7 820 73 M |

MINUTES APPROVED

Sept. 13, 1946

Bennett W. Young, President  
W. J. [Signature], Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting September 13, 1916 at 5 p.m. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Powell, O'Brien, Herr, Ray, Mullins, Ossmann, Thalheimer, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of July 12, 1916 were upon motion approved.

The minutes of August 9, 1916 showing the action of the Executive Committee were approved by the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library that the action of the Executive Committee of said Board in ordering paid the current expenses and other necessary expenditures of said Board, by reason of the fact that said Board failed to have a meeting during the month of August, 1916, be and hereby confirmed and ratified at the meeting of said Board held on the regular day for the monthly meeting of said Board, viz: second Wednesday in September, 1916.

The matter pending between Kaufman-Straus Company and the Library in reference to repairs on tank and resistant pump of the building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Company was considered. The Building Committee made the following report:

September 13, 1916

To the Library Board:

1) Your attention is called to the letters from Kaufman-Straus Co. under dates of July 28 and August 12 and the Librarian's reply under date August 17, regarding repairs or replacement of water tank on roof of Public Library building. Your committee authorized the Librarian to employ D. X. Murphy & Bro. to superintend the necessary repairs on the roof, down spouts, and gutters, and their attention was called to the tank. They report that extensive repairs or replacement of this tank is necessary.

This tank is part of the sprinkler fire system and not part of the roof. The Librarian suggested that we were not liable for these repairs under the lease. Your Chairman agreed with the Librarian but suggested that he consult the attorneys on the Board. It is the opinion of General Young, Mr. Barker and Mr. Herr that we are not liable under the terms of the

lease and the matter is submitted to the Board to take action for record.

We submit Mr. Hardin Herr's letter of Aug. 15 and the Librarian's reply of August 17 for record if the action of the committee is approved.

2) Your attention is called to a letter from Kaufman-Straus Co. under date Sept. 8, 1916, the Librarian's letter of Sept. 12 and Mr. Hardin Herr's letter of Sept. 13 regarding repairs on pump, part of the sewer and toilet system in basement. The question of our liability for these repairs was submitted to the attorneys of the Board. Mr. Barker and Mr. Herr agree that we are not liable under our lease. We recommend that the Librarian be instructed to return these bills amounting to \$26.33 with a letter that under the lease we are not liable for these repairs.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) E. J. O'Brien  
Chairman Building Committee

The following letter was received from Mr. Herr:

August 15, 1916

Mr. Geo. T. Settle, Librarian,  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:-

You propounded me the following question:

"Under the lease between the Public Library and the Kaufman-Straus Company, is the Louisville Free Public Library, the grantee of the Louisville Public Library, liable to repair the water tank on the roof of the building belonging to the latter, on Fourth Street between Walnut and Green Streets, and which is occupied by the Kaufman-Straus Company, under the lease?"

Independent of any written agreement, a landlord is not required to make any repairs to a building. King vs. Cassell, 150 Ky., 537. The language of the lease bearing on this subject is as under:

"10. The party of the second part (the tenant) is to take good care of the property and make all repairs necessary for its proper preservation and use, except that said first party (the landlord) shall keep the roof and the sidewalks in front of such building in repair, but said first party shall be put to no other expense whatever for the repair, maintenance or operation of said building."

The only repairs for which the landlord is liable are these:

To keep the sidewalks in front of the building in good condition and to keep the roof in good condition.

Of course, it is obvious that a water tank is not any part of the sidewalk in front of the building and, therefore, that question is eliminated. The whole matter resolves itself into this - is a water tank, on the roof of a building, a part of the roof of that building, within the meaning of the contract?

In the construction of contracts, words are to be taken in their ordinary and popular meaning. Lawson on Contracts, Section 394 (Second Edition). Spring Garden Insurance Company vs. The Imperial Tobacco Co., 132 Ky., 17.

Roof is defined by Webster as follows:

"The cover of a building, including the roofing and all the materials and construction necessary to carry and maintain the same upon the walls or other uprights."

Under this definition and the rule of law, that words must be understood in their ordinary sense, a water tank cannot be included as a part of the roof of a building.

After a thorough investigation, I conclude that the landlord is not, in any manner, bound to make repairs on the water tank, although the same may leak. However, if there was any doubt on the subject, the doubt would be solved in favor of the landlord.

"As a lessor is under no general obligation to put or keep the demised premises (in repair), his covenants to do so are not to be enlarged beyond their fair intent." 24 Cyc, 1087.

"A lease stipulating that the tenant will make all necessary repairs, with certain specified exceptions, exempts the landlord from the duty of making all repairs other than those expressly excepted, and which he thereby covenants to make." 24 Cyc, 1088.

In view of these authorities, the lessor is clearly not bound to repair the water tank. On the contrary, the lessee can be compelled to make any repairs to that instrument, if the leakage in any manner injures the property leased.

Very truly,

(Signed) Hardin H. Herr



The Librarian's reply under date August 17, to Kaufman-Straus Co.  
follows:

August 17, 1916

Kaufman-Straus Co.  
Fourth Avenue,  
Louisville, Ky.

Attention Mr. J. B. Judah

Gentlemen:

In reply to your recent communications regarding repairs, etc. on tank on the roof of the Public Library building:

I am instructed by the Building Committee to say that under the terms of the lease we are not responsible for the repairs or replacement of this tank. I am calling your attention to this decision of the committee to avoid any unnecessary delay on your part in taking care of the repairs which are needed.

George Ramser's Sons have been given instructions to make the necessary repairs on the down spouts, as under the decision of the committee the gutters and down spouts are a part of the roof of the building.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Geo. T. Settle

Librarian

The following letter was received from Kaufman-Straus Company:

September 8, 1916

Mr. Geo. T. Settle,  
c/o Louisville Free Public Library,  
4th & York Sts.,  
City.

Dear Sir:

We are enclosing you herewith bills for repairs to resistant pump which as you will notice went bad on three different occasions in the middle of the night, and one Sunday night we had to get the Southern Elevator man as you will notice at six thirty in the morning.

As this is an item that you have always taken care of, we take it for granted that you would wish these bills to show to the Board.

Yours truly,

Kaufman-Straus Co.

Per (Signed) J.B. Judah, Mgr.

Mr. Herr's letter regarding repairs on pump follows:

September 13, 1916

Mr. Geo. T. Settle, Librarian,  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 12th inst. came to hand this morning.

You state that you have received a letter from Kaufman-Straus Company, in regard to three bills amounting to \$26.33 of the Southern Elevator Company, for repairs on pump. You propound the question to me whether we should pay these bills, under the terms of the lease between Louisville Public Library and Kaufman-Straus Company? In answer, I will suggest, that you read my letter of the 15th ult. in regard to repairs of the water tank on the roof of the building, and the authorities cited therein. In that letter I stated, that the only repairs for which the landlord is liable are these: To keep the sidewalk in front of the building in good condition, and to keep the roof in good condition. In that letter I gave an opinion that the lessor was not liable to repair a water tank on the roof of the building for the reason that it was not a part of the roof of the building.

A resistant pump is not a part of either the roof of a building, or a part of the sidewalk in front of the building. The authorities in my letter of the 15th ult. clearly demonstrate that we are not liable for these repairs. Kaufman-Straus Company make the point that because the lessor has always repaired the pump that they should continue to do so.

It is a well known rule of law that where there is uncertainty or ambiguity as to the meaning of any provision of a lease, the practical construction put upon such provision by the parties to the lease should be given due weight in construing the lease. 24 Cyc., 916. Lord Erskine once said: "If you will tell me what the parties have done, under a contract, I will tell you what it means." That rule has been adhered to in *City of Covington v. Railroad Co.*, 147 Ky., 331. *Mullins v. Nordlow*, 170 Ky., 179. But, while that is true, where the meaning of the contract is clear, an erroneous construction of it by the parties will not control its effect. *Lawson on Contracts* (2d Ed) Section 400.

The lease is certainly plain, unambiguous and clear to the effect that the only repairs for which the lessor is liable is to keep the sidewalk in front of the building in good condition and to keep the roof in good condition. The repairs in question are not covered by the terms of the lease.

The fact that the lessor has heretofore erroneously construed the lease in the absence of any ambiguity is entitled to no weight. Hence, I will advise that the Library Board should not pay the bills in question.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Hardin H. Herr

Upon motion, the report of the Building Committee, and the letters stating that under the terms of the lease we were not liable for the repairs on tank and pump, were unanimously approved.

A letter was read from Mr. Milton W. Barkhouse on behalf of the members of the family of Mr. Louis Barkhouse, donating to the Louisville Free Public Library a picture, "Woodland Scene", by Carl C. Brenner. Upon motion the picture was accepted and the Secretary was requested to write a letter of thanks for the same.

An official communication from Mayor John H. Buschemeyer, President of the Board, stating that he had appointed J. C. Mahon, expert accountant, to examine the books of the library was read and is as follows:

Aug. 12, 1916

Mr. Geo. T. Settle,  
Librarian,  
City.

My dear Sir:

I have this day appointed J. C. Mahon & Sons to examine the books of the Louisville Free Public Library. I have advised them that there is a provision made regarding the compensation for this work and have suggested that he confer with you regarding same.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) John H. Buschemeyer

A petition from the colored citizens in the Southwest of Parkland asking for a branch library or station was considered, and upon motion the request for a station was granted.

The Treasurer's report was presented by Mr. Herr. The same was received, approved and ordered to record:

September 13, 1916

To the Library Board:

The Treasurer's report for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1916 is submitted herewith. This shows receipts as follows: City taxes \$64,400.07; rents \$36,090.50; fines, lost books, etc. \$2,856.82; insurance, fire loss at Highland Branch Library, \$614.20, making a total with the balance on hand last year of \$104,269.29. The amount spent for current maintenance was \$87,855.65; interest on mortgage \$15,500.00; and insurance, fire loss at Highland Branch Library, \$614.20, a total of \$103,969.85. This leaves a balance of \$299.44.

We submit also the report of Mr. J. C. Mahon, expert accountant appointed by the Mayor, who has made a careful audit and examination of the books, and verifies the treasurer's statement of receipts and expenditures which correspond with the Librarian's reports and accounts for the year.

It is hereby moved that the Treasurer be authorized to borrow sufficient funds to pay current expenses until the budget for 1916-17 is adopted.

It is hereby moved that the Librarian be authorized to spend \$1,000. each month for books until the budget is adopted.

These resolutions are offered as customary each year and we trust they will be approved by the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Hardin H. Herr

Member Finance Committee

The report of Mr. Mahon, expert accountant, was received. The letter from Mr. Mahon follows:

September 2, 1916

Hon. John H. Buschemeyer, Mayor,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:-

Pursuant to your appointment and instructions, I have made a thorough examination and audit of the books of account and records of The Louisville Free Public Library, in the hands of the Treasurer and the Librarian, covering the period from September 1, 1915 to the close of business August 31, 1916, and now beg to report that the accounts

have been unusually well kept during the period under review; that the books are now in most excellent condition and show the true financial status of the Library at August 31, 1916. The Cash balance of \$299.44, in the hands of the Treasurer at the close of business August 31, 1916, was duly reconciled with the records, including the Bank's statement.

The audit proved entirely satisfactory to me, and I am pleased to report that the financial records are in splendid condition.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) J. C. Mahon

Public Accountant & Auditor

The Librarian's report for the month of August was read and approved. The report showed a circulation of 66,119 volumes for home use, a decrease of 3,478 over last year. It also stated that 1,763 reference topics were looked up, 248 books and magazines loaned and 20 reading lists compiled.

The Librarian's annual report, which was very gratifying to the Board, was received and ordered to record:

"The report of the Librarian of the Louisville Free Public Library for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1916 shows a total circulation for home use of 1,074,360 books, an increase of 29,283 over last year. The 195,424 volumes in the library have circulated on an average of more than five times. Estimating the population of the city at 237,012 (U.S. Census estimate 1915) the circulation was more than  $4\frac{1}{2}$  volumes per capita.

This circulation represents 638,820 volumes read by adults, an increase of 16,532, and 435,540 volumes read by children, an increase of 12,751. The report does not include 22,138 volumes charged by the Circulation and other departments to branches, schools and stations, nor the thousands of volumes used in reference work and read by visitors at the tables at the Main library and branches.

The circulation is divided as follows: Main library 321,607 volumes; branches 535,437; stations 94,384; class room collections 122,932.

The number of volumes of fiction read was 608,546; non-fiction 465,814; the per cent of fiction being 56.

There were 10,318 borrowers registered during the year making a total of 52,890 citizens using the library. This shows that more than 22% of the population are registered users.

The Reference Department report shows there were 61,469 more important questions asked and topics looked up, an increase of 14,722. Of these 23,726 were reported from the Reference Room, 3,343 from the Civics Room, 1,304 from the Children's Room and 33,096 from the branches. There were 303 bibliographies and reading lists compiled and 4,969 volumes, magazines, etc. and 4,588 pictures loaned for home use. There are 367 periodicals on file in the Reference Room.

The Newspaper and Civics Room report shows 34,071 visitors during the year, 3,343 more important questions asked and topics looked up, 898 bound volumes of newspapers used and 3,210 newspapers read for items. The report shows 1,561 pamphlets classified and 5,893 clippings from newspapers on general subjects filed. Of this number 685 were about the library. There are on file 13 municipal periodicals and 88 daily and weekly newspapers. New issues of city directories and telephone books of the principal cities have been added during the year. The use that the public has made of the writing desk proves that it is a convenience which is appreciated.

There were 26,794 visitors to the Museum, an increase of 1,938. The Museum has been used by children from the schools more than ever before, and continues to be a popular visiting place for citizens and strangers.

There were 22,078 volumes added to the library, making a total of 195,424 volumes on the shelves. This is a net increase of 16,079 volumes. These volumes are in the libraries as follows: Main 135,782; Highland 9,287; Portland 9,553; Crescent Hill 7,380; Parkland 6,911; Shelby Park 6,491; Jefferson 4,901; Western Colored 11,269; Eastern Colored 3,850. There were 481 volumes of magazines, etc. bound and 8,900 miscellaneous volumes rebound.

There were 25,963 volumes cataloged, an increase of 8,932. This is the largest number of volumes cataloged in the history of the department. This included 2,648 volumes at the Girls High School Branch and 3,982 at the Boys High School Branch.

The circulation at the Branch Libraries was 535,437 volumes, an increase of 37,560. This included 324,389 books read by adults and 211,048 by children. The circulation and increases are divided as follows: Highland Branch 69,970, an increase of 4,047; Portland 67,026, an increase of 2,740; Crescent Hill 80,559, an increase of 6,150; Parkland 82,538, an increase of 2,680; Shelby Park 79,325, an increase of 6,229; Jefferson 85,363, an increase of 5,688; Boys High School 3,441; Girls High School 3,226; Western Colored 36,418, an increase of 1,768; Eastern Colored 27,571, an increase of 1,434. There are on file 422 periodicals.

The meetings in the Assembly and Class rooms numbered 1,234; at Main 245, at branches 989.

The financial report shows that the receipts from city

taxes amounted to \$64,400.07; fines, lost books, etc. \$2,947.32; rent, \$36,000.00, making a total with the balance on hand last year of \$103,655.09. The cost of current maintenance was \$87,855.65 and interest on mortgage \$15,500., a total of \$103,355.65. The current maintenance expenditures are as follows: Books \$20,899.17; expense \$6,911.61; light, heat and power \$7,355.19; repairs and improvements \$2,021.75; insurance \$212.14; furniture and fixtures \$1,567.23; and salaries and janitor service \$48,888.56.

(Signed) Geo. T. Settle

Librarian

Upon motion the Librarian was authorized to print 1000 copies of the report for distribution.

Bills for the month, after having been audited by the Library Committee, were upon motion ordered paid:

|                                      |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Abell Elevator Co.                   | \$10.00 |
| American Book Co.                    | 2 62    |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.        | 1 50    |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                | 48 25   |
| Anderson, D. R.                      | 1 00    |
| Anderson, Margaret S.                | 4 40    |
| Annual Review Publishing Co.         | 4 25    |
| Arabol Mfg. Co.                      | 4 80    |
| Architectural Book Publishing Co.    | 3 00    |
| Auto Exchange                        | 4 58    |
| Becker, Vernon W.                    | 3 10    |
| Bland Electric Co.                   | 5 65    |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                    | 3 60    |
| Browning, Charles H.                 | 5 80    |
| Bush-Krebs Co.                       | 1 30    |
| Carter Dry Goods Co.                 | 3 06    |
| Cowan & Co., Andrew                  | 10 00   |
| Crescent Hardware House              | 3 25    |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                | 3 10    |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.                   | 1 50    |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co. | 24 65   |
| Dearing's Incorporated               | 334 76  |
| Dreher, K.                           | 4 20    |
| Duncan, Mrs. Fannie Casseday         | 1 50    |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                  | 1 84    |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                  | 86 90   |
| Finck, Carl H.                       | 5 40    |
| Ford Motor Co.                       | 102 89  |
| Gaylord Bros.                        | 11 54   |
| Goodwin, C. W.                       | 1 60    |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)     | 12 23   |
| Hare, Maud Cuney                     | 1 35    |
| Hays, Mrs. Will S.                   | 1 00    |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry            | 2 60    |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                | 29 01   |
| James, U. P.                         | 6 52    |

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| Jeunesse, R.                            | \$8 90          |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                      | 183 10          |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                  | 122 80          |
| Kentucky Paper Box Co.                  | 5 40            |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.           | 5 95            |
| Korfhage, Herman C.                     | 6 50            |
| Krausgill Piano Co.                     | 22 57           |
| Lewis Co., John C.                      | 3 00            |
| Library Bureau                          | 3 95            |
| Lindsey, T. N.                          | 2 50            |
| Louisville Chemical Co.                 | 18 50           |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.         | 88 19           |
| Louisville Paper Co.                    | 78 25           |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.             | 14 25           |
| Mahon, J. C.                            | 100 00          |
| McClurg and Co., A. C.                  | 577 64          |
| Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Co.      | 24 50           |
| Morton and Co., John P.                 | 21 40           |
| Municipal Journal                       | 1 00            |
| National Conference on City Planning    | 5 00            |
| Neville, Kellner and Co.                | 4 50            |
| Office Equipment Co.                    | 5 00            |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                    | 27 49           |
| Penn Publishing Co.                     | 4 32            |
| Phenol Chemical Co.                     | 2 00            |
| Pittsburgh, Carnegie Library of         | 2 25            |
| Pittsburgh Water Heater Co.             | 1 90            |
| Public School Publishing Co.            | 17 52           |
| Publishers Association of Canada, The   | 93 15           |
| Quick Tire Service                      | 34 05           |
| Ramser, Geo.                            | 4 75            |
| Row, Peterson and Co.                   | 12 76           |
| Royal Photo Co.                         | 1 00            |
| Schirmer, G.                            | 4 13            |
| Settle, Geo. T. Librarian               | 106 77          |
| Skilton Ice Co.                         | 3 10            |
| Standard Gas Station                    | 12 40           |
| Standard Printing Co.                   | 68 15           |
| Stilz, Henry G.                         | 3 00            |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.               | 3 45            |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                    | 5 00            |
| Wagner's Sons Co., J. F.                | 114 60          |
| Watts, John R.                          | 13 85           |
| Wedekind & Co., H.                      | 2 10            |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.     | 142 04          |
| Weyhe, E.                               | 3 00            |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                       | 1 89            |
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|   | \$2 740 32      |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Librarian, Pay Roll | <u>3 989 01</u> |
| TOTAL-----                              | \$6 729 33      |



Mr. O'Brien, Chairman of the Building Committee, made the following report in which he asked the members of the Board to state whether or not they would accept the Workmen's Compensation Act:

.September 13, 1916

To the Library Board:

The question of accepting the Workmen's Compensation Act is submitted to the Board for their action. Burkley and Tierney, insurance agents, have made a proposition to insure the librarian, members of the staff, chauffeur and janitors, at a cost of about \$115.85 per year.

We also submit letter of August 2 from the Workmen's compensation Board signed by A. Gilmour, Secretary, and other papers to Mr. Barker, stating that the library may accept the act and carry its own risk. To carry our own risk, a deposit of acceptable security must be furnished.

It is the opinion of the lawyers on the Library Board, General Young, Mr. Herr and Mr. Barker, that it is not necessary for the library to spend this money.

The Library Board is asked to take action for record.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) E. J. O'Brien

Chairman, Building Committee

After considerable discussion, it was moved that the library should not accept the Workmen's Compensation Act. Upon this motion, the ayes and nays were called with the following result: Ayes; Young, Herr, Powell, Thalheimer, Ray, Bartholomew. Nays: O'Brien, Ossmann.

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Oct. 11, 1916

E. L. Powell President

Geo. T. Little Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting October 11, 1916 at 5 p.m. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Powers, Powell, Barker, Herr, Ray, Mullins, Ossmann, Thalheimer, and Settle.

In the absence of Mayor Buschemeyer, president, and General Young, vice-president, Dr. Powell presided.

In the absence of Professor Bartholomew, the assistant secretary acted.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Barker in explaining his position on the question of the library accepting the Workmen's Compensation Act, said that the Kentucky Court of Appeals might at any time change its position on this question as touching public institutions, but that he thought we should not spend money for it.

The report of the Treasurer was submitted by Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Finance Committee, and showed a cash balance October 1 of \$1,992.73. Upon motion it was received and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for October showed a circulation of 83,864 volumes, an increase of 7,947 volumes over the same month last year. This circulation included 32,863 volumes read by children and 51,001 by adults. Upon motion the report was received and ordered filed.

The recommendation of the Library Committee that \$2,500. be appropriated for magazine and newspaper subscriptions for 1917 was approved. Upon motion of Mr. Barker, the Librarian was instructed to require the successful bidder to furnish bond covering the amount of the subscriptions with a company doing business in Kentucky.

The bills for the month after being audited by Col. Powers and Dr. Powell of the Library Committee, were approved and ordered

paid:

|   |         |
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| Abell Elevator Co.                                  | \$10.00 |
| American Book Co.                                   | 19 83   |
| A. L. A. Publishing Board                           | 3 00    |
| American Printing House for the Blind               | 5 90    |
| American Prison Association                         | 1 50    |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                               | 52 01   |
| Atlas Coal Co.                                      | 86 20   |
| Baldwin Law Book Co.                                | 51 00   |
| Becker, Vernon W.                                   | 3 00    |
| Bland Electric Co.                                  | 42 75   |
| Brownfield & Co., J. L.                             | 5 75    |
| Bywater Bros.                                       | 1 00    |
| Carrell-Rogers Co.                                  | 22 50   |
| Clegg & Co., F. A.                                  | 11 15   |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                               | 3 00    |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.                                  | 15 00   |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.              | 24 65   |
| Dearing's Incorporated                              | 623 96  |
| Dodd, Mead and Co.                                  | 114 00  |
| Dolfinger and Co., J.                               | 16 03   |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                                 | 14 84   |
| Educational Publishing Co.                          | 6 92    |
| Falls City Buggy Top Co.                            | 1 65    |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                                 | 31 50   |
| Franklin Printing Co.                               | 13 50   |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                               | 3 90    |
| Gaylord Bros.                                       | 89 23   |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)                    | 12 09   |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry                           | 1 50    |
| Hubbuch Bros. and Wellendorff                       | 61 75   |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                               | 3 40    |
| International Textbook Co.                          | 6 40    |
| Jeunesse, R.  | 50 00   |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                                  | 252 71  |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                              | 241 40  |
| Kentucky Tent and Awning Co.                        | 2 00    |
| Lampton, Crane and Ramey Co.                        | 8 64    |
| Lemcke and Buechner                                 | 3 93    |
| Library Bureau                                      | 118 61  |
| Library of Congress                                 | 100 00  |
| Louisville Courier Journal Co.                      | 6 85    |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.                     | 95 38   |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.                       | 105 75  |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                         | 14 25   |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                                | 179 74  |
| Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Co.                  | 12 00   |
| Mississippi Valley Historical Association           | 4 00    |
| Morton & Co., John P.                               | 106 26  |
| National Municipal League                           | 5 00    |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                             | 3 15    |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                                | 5 65    |
| Playground and Recreation Association<br>of America | 1 55    |
| Press Reference Book                                | 10 00   |
| Quick Tire Service                                  | 1 50    |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                                 | 121 60  |
| Rand McNally & Co.                                  | 7 50    |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                            | 133 50  |

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| Schirmer, G.                                 | \$1 08 |                |
| Settle, George T. Librarian                  | 80 04  |                |
| Skilton Ice Co.                              | 3 00   |                |
| Smith and Dugan                              | 35 00  |                |
| Spencerian Commercial School                 | 1 00   |                |
| Standard Gas Station                         | 13 91  |                |
| Stewart Dry Goods Co.                        | 1 95   |                |
| Stilz, Henry G.                              | 2 90   |                |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.                    | 12 33  |                |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                         | 5 00   |                |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                           | 4 00   |                |
| Weissinger- Gaulbert Real Estate Co.         | 160 37 |                |
| Wellman, W. W.                               | 6 80   |                |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.                  | 3 00   |                |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                            | 4 25   | 3284 51        |
| Pd) Settle, George T. Librarian,<br>Pay Roll |        | <u>3995 20</u> |

TOTAL-----\$7279 71

Col. Powers was excused at this time.

Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston appeared before the Board and offered to give to the library a collection of Roman and Greek Museum material, estimated value between \$3,000. and \$4,000., provided upright cases similar to the cases used for the Jefferson Institute of Arts and Sciences' material in the library, are furnished. Mr. Thruston further offered to bring an expert here from the East to rearrange the old museum material and classify it, provided the Library Board would furnish similar upright cases for it. He estimated that it would take five or six upright cases for his material and an additional five or six cases for the other material in the museum. He intimated that some of the material he was offering us was not to be found even in the Metropolitan Museum. In reply to a question, the Librarian said that these cases would cost on an average of about \$120. each. Mr. Herr moved that the following committee, Dr. Mullins, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Barker and the Librarian, be appointed to see the material and to make a report at the next Board meeting. Mr. Ossmann was named in this motion as a member of the committee but declined to serve as he said he expected to be out of the city for

the next three or four weeks.

A request from the Cherokee Improvement Club was presented. They asked that a branch library be erected in the extreme south-eastern part of the city in the neighborhood of Douglas Boulevard and Bardstown Road, to be known as the Cherokee Branch. The committee stated they were in a position to offer a lot, 100 x 250 feet, provided the library would supply funds for the erection of a building and maintenance. Upon motion, the Secretary was instructed to write the committee that funds for a building were not available, and further that there were no funds to maintain an additional branch library if one were erected. However, it was suggested that the Librarian make arrangements to open a station in the neighborhood if proper arrangements could be made.

Upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Nov. 15, 1916

*Russell H. Young* President  
*W. N. B. Tolson* Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Called Meeting November 15, 1916 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Mayor Buschemeyer, Young, Powell, Powers, Mullins, Hemphill, Thalheimer, Barker, Ray, Herr, Bartholomew and Settle.

The Secretary then read the call as follows:

November 10, 1916

Board of Trustees,  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

At the regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library, Wednesday, November 8, 1916, being the regular time and a quorum not being present, the Secretary was instructed to call a meeting of the Board on Wednesday, November 15, 1916 at 5 p.m. to transact the regular business and other matters of importance.

This meeting is called upon the request in writing of the following members of the Board, namely: Mayor John H. Buschemeyer, Thomas A. Barker, and Hardin H. Herr.

It is urgently requested that as many as can possibly make arrangements shall be present in order that a quorum may be secured.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) W. H. Bartholomew

Secretary

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was submitted by Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Finance Committee. The report stated that there was \$1,807.37 cash on hand. To this is to be added \$3,000. from rent Kaufman-Straus Co., making a total of \$4,807.37. The Committee submitted the following budget for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1917 which was approved:

1916-1917

Receipts

|                         |                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| Balance on hand         | \$299 44         |
| City Taxes              | 64 400 07        |
| Fines, lost books, etc. | 2 955 58         |
| Rent                    | <u>36 000 00</u> |
| Total-----              | \$103 655 09     |

Disbursements

|                                |               |                  |
|--------------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Expense                        |               | 6 500 00         |
| Light, heat and power          |               | 7 500 00         |
| Repairs and improvements       |               | 5 000 00         |
| Insurance                      |               | 200 00           |
| Furniture and fixtures         |               | 2 500 00         |
| Pay Roll-Libr. & Assts.        | 41,804.00     |                  |
| Automatic raises               | 836 50        |                  |
| Schedule raises                | <u>95 00</u>  |                  |
|                                | 42 735 50     |                  |
| Sundays                        | 1 014 00      |                  |
| Holidays                       | <u>325 15</u> | 44 074 65        |
| Janitor                        | 6 851 00      |                  |
| Automatic raises               | <u>37 50</u>  |                  |
|                                | 6 888 50      |                  |
| Holidays                       | <u>31 50</u>  | 6 920 00         |
| Interest on loans              |               | <u>500 00</u>    |
|                                |               | \$73 194 65      |
| Books                          |               | <u>14 960 44</u> |
| CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL----- |               | \$88 155 09      |
| Interest on mortgage           |               | <u>15 500 00</u> |
| TOTAL-----                     |               | \$103 655 09     |

The recommendation that any amounts remaining on other accounts be transferred to the book account provided, however, that any balance remaining on Furniture and fixtures account be transferred to Repairs and Improvements account, was approved.

The Librarian's report for the month was received and ordered filed. The report contained the following interesting items: The circulation for the month of October was 108,576 volumes, an increase of 9,557 over the same month last year. This includes 50,353 books read by children and 58,223 volumes read by adults. The reference topics looked up were 10,071, an increase of 4,365 over the same month last year.

The following letter to the Executive Committee was read by  
Mr. Barker for the consideration of the Board:

November 15, 1916

General Bennett H. Young, )  
Mr. E. J. O'Brien, ) Executive Committee  
Mr. Thomas A. Barker, )

Gentlemen:

Some time ago your attention was called to arrangements being made to place a gas station on York Street just across from the library and to the rear of the Unitarian Church. Upon investigation at that time I found that they were making arrangements to use the driveway inside of their property line to fill the machines. For this reason no objection was made to the building being erected.

A few days ago I found that they were making arrangements to place pipes at the curbing for machines to stop on York Street to be filled. I immediately called your attention to this. Mr. O'Brien and Mr. Barker agreed with me that we should not permit this if we could prevent it. We found that a permit had been issued but had not been signed by the Board of Public Works and when we took the matter up with the Board of Public Works they rescinded the order, and ordered that the pipes which had been placed at the curbing be removed.

Just after this was done, Mr. E. J. Parker of the Standard Oil Co. called and asked me to withdraw our objections and to give this man an opportunity to show that this arrangement would not be objectionable to the library. Mr. Parker made this same proposition to Mr. Barker and I understand also to the Board of Public Works. The Board of Public Works stand by their second decision and have refused to let them proceed with the work and ordered that the pipes at the curbing be removed.

Mr. Parker again called and asked that the matter be submitted to the Library Board since the Standard Gas Station people spent something over \$400. on the strength of the permit issued by the Board of Public Works. He asks that our objections be withdrawn with the proviso that Mr. W. T. Higley and others with the Standard Gas Station sign an agreement to remove the pipes from the curbing if later we still object to them. Mr. Caldwell suggests that we do not withdraw our objections unless we withdraw them without conditions. Mr. Parker says he is quite sure the Board of Public Works will rescind their action if we will do so.



My objections are:

- 1) Machines will be filled from York Street. This will block the street and force machines and wagons to use the library drive instead of York Street.
- 2) It is quite evident that if these pipes are placed on the curbing, there will never be any more machines filled on the property line as they will stop at the most convenient place on the street.
- 3) By adding extra facilities, the Standard Gas Station will draw additional machines from Third and Fourth Streets. At present these corners are the two most dangerous in the city of Louisville.
- 4) We have from 500 to 1,700 people visiting the library every day and the majority of these are children. We are having complaints now from the library users and the parents of children of these dangerous corners.

For these reasons I am calling your attention to this for final action of the Library Board.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) George T. Settle

Librarian

Mr. Thalheimer moved that the action of the Executive Committee be concurred in. This action confirms the position heretofore taken by the Board, in which they refused to grant permission to the Standard Gas Station to place pipes to fill machines on the curbing on York Street.

Dr. Mullins, Chairman of the committee appointed to see the museum material offered by Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston and make a report at this meeting, asked for further time, which was granted.

The report of the Library Committee was considered item by item:

Mr. A. A. Bigelow's offer to loan to the library the collection of pictures of actors and actresses gathered by Col. J. T. Macauley,

was declined

as we are not able to accommodate it at present. The Secretary was instructed to write a letter of thanks for the offer.

Miss M. Caine's offer to loan to the library a life-size portrait of her mother, Mrs. John S. Caine, painted by her brother, Neville Caine, was declined because of lack of wall space, and the Secretary was instructed to write a letter of thanks for the offer.

It was recommended by the Library Committee and unanimously approved by the Board that an invitation be extended to the American Library Association to meet in Louisville in June 1917.

The resignation of Olive E. Ring, who leaves Louisville to make New York her home December 1, 1916, was presented and accepted.

The recommendation that the following be appointed on the staff was approved:

Antoinette Hubbuch  
Florrie Lee Taylor  
Elvira J. Randle  
Anne Lenora Peake  
Artie Lee Taylor

These appointments were made to fill the following vacancies, Mrs. M. B. Tyler, resigned, Olive E. Ring, resigned, Edna Grauman, transferred to Boys High School, Mary Brown Humphrey, transferred to Girls High School, and a new position, half time Circulation and half time Reference Departments, which has been filled by a substitute since the Civics Room was opened.

The recommendation to change the salary schedule as it applied to the bindery department, making it read \$35. to \$50., instead of \$35. to \$42.50, was approved.

The recommendation that we cooperate in a movement known as "Good Book Week Dec. 4-9", endorsed by the Public Schools, Y.M.C.A., Y.W.C.A., Y.M.H.A., and numerous individuals, was unanimously approved.

The contract for subscriptions for 1917 was awarded to W. K. Stewart Co. Mr. Stewart of this company claimed that he had not read the clause in the letter requiring a surety bond, and asked to be allowed to furnish a personal bond. Mr. Thalheimer moved that a surety bond be required or that Mr. Stewart give a personal bond, approved by the vice-president, guaranteeing the faithful fulfillment of his contract. This was approved.

The following bills for the month after having been audited by the Library Committee, were ordered paid:

|  |         |
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| Abell Elevator Co.                     | \$10 00 |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.          | 2 50    |
| American Printing House for the Blind  | 2 80    |
| Anderson and Co., A. J.                | 25 50   |
| Anderson, Margaret S.                  | 4 00    |
| Atlas Coal Co.                         | 91 70   |
| Becker, Vernon W.                      | 2 55    |
| Bland Electric Co.                     | 16 05   |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                      | 1 00    |
| Bywater Bros.                          | 4 65    |
| Cadmus Book Shop                       | 18 27   |
| Central Trimming Co.                   | 1 75    |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                   | 6 70    |
| Clegg and Co., F. A.                   | 20 85   |
| Courier-Journal Job Printing Co.       | 27 75   |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co. | 28 35   |
| Dearing's Incorporated                 | 569 18  |
| Detroit Publishing Co.                 | 30 00   |
| Dodd, Mead and Co.                     | 114 00  |
| Douglas, J.                            | 1 50    |
| Dreher, K.                             | 7 90    |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                    | 2 00    |
| Ewing's Sons, D. H.                    | 1 50    |
| Falls City Buggy Top Co.               | 1 25    |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                    | 8 50    |
| Fischer Co., Heinrich                  | 26 39   |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                  | 8 85    |
| Gaylord Bros.                          | 43 23   |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)       | 6 78    |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry              | 2 65    |
| Hubbuck Bros. and Wellendorff          | 29 15   |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                  | 8 05    |
| Jeunesse, R.                           | 120 10  |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                     | 207 39  |
| Kendrick's Sons, Wm.                   | 3 50    |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                 | 348 35  |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.          | 7 27    |
| Kuhlman, Julius                        | 3 11    |
| Lemcke and Buechner                    | 3 87    |
| Levy Bros.                             | 14 00   |

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| Library Bureau                               | \$33 06           |
| Long's Towel Supply                          | 8 00              |
| Louisville Auto Supply Co.                   | 2 00              |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.              | 114 09            |
| Louisville Grocery Co.                       | 4 00              |
| Louisville Motor Repair Co.                  | 2 85              |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                  | 6 50              |
| McClurg and Co., A. C.                       | 804 40            |
| Malkan, Henry                                | 1 80              |
| Mayes Printing Co.                           | 14 90             |
| Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Co.           | 9 65              |
| Minnis, C. D.                                | 7 50              |
| Morton & Co., John P.                        | 91 15             |
| Newhall, Daniel H.                           | 2 00              |
| Obenchain, Mrs. Lida C.                      | 3 00              |
| Quick Tire Service                           | 5 15              |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                      | 10 50             |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                         | 6 37              |
| Ramser, Geo.                                 | 12 90             |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                          | 27 20             |
| Rochester Re-Inking Co.                      | 3 00              |
| Royal Printing Co.                           | 11 80             |
| Ruebush-Elkins Co.                           | 19 25             |
| Rust, Mollie                                 | 5 00              |
| Salley, Jr., A. S.                           | 5 00              |
| Scribner's Sons, Charles                     | 6 00              |
| Settle, George T.                            | 30 00             |
| Settle, George T. Librarian, Petty Cash      | 82 09             |
| Smith and Dugan                              | 23 50             |
| Standard Gas Station                         | 12 86             |
| Stilz, Henry G.                              | 1 45              |
| Tablet and Ticket Co.                        | 3 85              |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.                    | 12 15             |
| Underwood and Underwood                      | 6 60              |
| University Prints                            | 17 35             |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                         | 5 00              |
| Wallon & Son, A. J.                          | 7 25              |
| Wayfarers' Lodge                             | 1 00              |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.          | 506 04            |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                            | 3 15              |
|  | <u>\$3 762 30</u> |
| Pd) Settle, George T. Librarian,<br>Pay roll | <u>4 029 60</u>   |

TOTAL---\$7 791 90

The Board then went into executive session. This was to consider the report that there are Polytechnic Society Library books in the University of Chicago Library purchased with the Durrett collection. The statement was made that Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston and Mr. Otto A. Rothert had seen "scores" of books and newspapers bearing the Polytechnic stamp, in the Durrett collection at the University of Chicago library. The Librarian made the

following statement:

"Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston and Mr. Otto A. Rothert said that there were a great many volumes in the Durrett collection sold to the University, bearing the Polytechnic inscription and marks, and also volumes belonging to the Filson Club. Mr. Thruston showed me five books which he had borrowed from the University of Chicago Library, property of the Filson Club, and also a letter from the Librarian which called his attention to the marks on these books and said, "unfortunately there are many volumes in this collection bearing Filson Club and other marks".'

'I spent seven days in Chicago, leaving Louisville Sunday night, October 29, and returning Sunday night, Nov. 5. I spent several hours each day in the University of Chicago Library Historical Department, and in this work handled several thousand books, a great majority of which were of the Durrett collection, but failed to find a single volume bearing the Polytechnic or Filson Club mark. Since my return I made this statement to Mr. Thruston and Mr. Rothert, and both repeated to me that they had seen "scores" of such books.'

'The University Library authorities were very obliging and gave me free access to the stacks. If there are any Polytechnic Society or Filson Club books in this library, they have evidently been removed from the general collection.'

This brought the matter before the Board for discussion, pro and con. Finally a motion was made by the Secretary that the vice-president and the librarian are authorized to go to Chicago to thoroughly investigate this matter and report the facts discovered. This was approved.

The meeting then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Dec. 12 1916

E. R. Hemphill President  
*pro tem.*

W. J. Burdette Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting December 12, 1916 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Mullins, Hemphill, Thalheimer, Ossmann, Ray, Herr,  
Bartholomew and Settle.

Dr. Ray moved that Dr. Hemphill take the chair in the absence  
of the president and vice-president.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following letter of invitation to the American Library  
Association to meet in Louisville in June 1917 was read:

Executive Board,  
American Library Association,  
Walter L. Brown, president,  
Harrison W. Craver  
George H. Locke  
J. T. Jennings  
M. S. Dudgeon  
S. H. Ranck  
A. E. Bostwick  
Josephine A. Rathbone  
A. L. Bailey  
George B. Utley, secretary

Gentlemen:

The Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free  
Public Library at its regular meeting, November 15, 1916,  
unanimously passed a resolution inviting the American  
Library Association to hold its next annual meeting in  
Louisville, Kentucky, June 1917.

This meeting will be of mutual benefit to both  
associations and you are promised a cordial reception  
and a generous Kentucky hospitality, making your sojourn  
among us pleasant and profitable.

Yours truly,

(Signed) Bennett H. Young  
Vice President

(Signed) W. H. Bartholomew  
Secretary  
Board of Trustees

The Treasurer's report was read by Dr. Hemphill, a member of  
the Finance Committee. The report stated that the cash balance

on hand December 1 was \$3,401.67. To this is to be added \$3,000. from rent Kaufman-Straus Co., making a total of \$6,401.67. Upon motion the report was received and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for the month was read and showed a circulation of 112,714 volumes, an increase of 10,899 over the same month last year. This includes 52,334 books read by children and 60,380 volumes read by adults. The circulation for this month was the second largest in the history of the library.

The letter addressed to Captain Pirtle and Otto A. Rothert, committee appointed to interview Miss Pollard, was read for the information of the Board. The same was ordered to record:

November 21, 1916

Gentlemen:

"Miss Pollard has placed on my desk a pencil note which reads as follows:"

'I have searched the minutes of the Polytechnic Society for records of sale or exchange of books or papers between said Society and Col. R. T. Durrett and have failed to find any references at all. Had any sale or exchange been made it would have been by order of the trustees and would have been recorded on the minutes.'

'I am enclosing a typewritten copy of the report to the Filson Club which you dictated in my office.'

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Geo. T. Settle

Librarian

The recommendation that a leave of absence to February 1, 1917 be granted Elizabeth M. Durning, was approved and it was ordered that her salary be paid in full.

Several assistants had asked for their December salary before Christmas. It was moved that the question be referred to the Library Committee. This was approved.

The matter in reference to the employment of pages without a certificate from the Board of Education was referred to Mr. Barker, Mr. Herr and the Librarian.

The bills for the month which had been audited by the Library Committee were approved and ordered paid:

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| Abell Elevator Co.                           | 16 40    |
| American Association Medical Milk Commission | 1 00     |
| American Book Co.                            | 6 86     |
| A. L. A. Publishing Board                    | 7 99     |
| Avery and Co., Samuel L.                     | 25 00    |
| Atlas Coal Co.                               | 76 10    |
| Badger, Richard D. Publisher                 | 3 14     |
| Bartlett and Co., N. J.                      | 28 67    |
| Becker, Vernon W.                            | 1 50     |
| Bland Electric Co.                           | 19 40    |
| Boston Book Co.                              | 6 45     |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                            | 29 50    |
| Bywater Bros.                                | 10 75    |
| Caron Directory Co.                          | 14 50    |
| City Club of Chicago                         | 1 00     |
| Civil Service Chronicle                      | 10 58    |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                         | 36 00    |
| Clark Co., John                              | 9 25     |
| Courier-Journal Job Printing Co.             | 54 00    |
| Cowan & Co., Andrew                          | 10 00    |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                        | 4 00     |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.                           | 3 50     |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.       | 28 30    |
| Dearing's Inc.                               | 1 814 74 |
| Dearing's Inc.                               | 509 44   |
| Dreher, K.                                   | 3 75     |
| Dutton and Co., E. P.                        | 15 00    |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                          | 17 50    |
| Ewing's Sons, D. H.                          | 6 50     |
| Exporters' Encyclopaedia Co.                 | 6 00     |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                          | 15 29    |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                        | 171 45   |
| Gaylord Bros.                                | 4 00     |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)             | 73 67    |
| Hale Office Specialty Co.                    | 1 00     |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry                    | 14 30    |
| Hennecke Shops, The                          | 6 00     |
| Howard-Severance Co.                         | 57 00    |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff                  | 3 00     |
| Hudson Book Co.                              | 39 50    |
| International Textbook Co.                   | 3 20     |
| Jeunesse, R.                                 | 48 00    |
| Journal of Negro History                     | 1 00     |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                           | 320 84   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                       | 288 50   |
| Kentucky Magazine, The                       | 2 00     |
| Kentucky Tent and Awning Co.                 | 2 00     |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.                | 2 30     |
| Lampton, Crane and Ramey Co.                 | 8 64     |



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| Lea, H. G.   | 1 50              |
| Lemcke and Buechner  | 2 66              |
| Lewis Co., John C.   | 1 20              |
| Library Bureau   | 50 63             |
| Lindsey, T. N.   | 1 00              |
| Long's Towel Supply Co.  | 8 00              |
| Louisville Courier-Journal Co.   | 6 50              |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.  | 141 06            |
| Louisville Motor Repair Co.  | 6 40              |
| Louisville Paper Co.   | 83 00             |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.  | 6 80              |
| McClurg and Co., A. C.   | 268 20            |
| Mengel Bros. Co.   | 9 39              |
| Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Co.                                     | 5 90              |
| Miller Mfg. Co., Paul  | 2 50              |
| Morton & Co., John P.  | 41 78             |
| National Committee for the Prevention<br>of Blindness                  | 2 00              |
| National Conference on Charities and<br>Correction                     | 1 70              |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.  | 3 15              |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.   | 2 00              |
| Price, Carl F.   | 2 60              |
| Quick Tire Service   | 4 50              |
| Remington Typewriter Co.   | 5 00              |
| Ritter and Co.   | 1 35              |
| Robinson-Pettet Co.  | 6 00              |
| Schultz & Co., H.  | 10 67             |
| Settle, George T. Librarian  | 84 06             |
| Spectator Co., The   | 10 00             |
| Standard Gas Station   | 14 95             |
| Stewart Products Service Station                                       | 3 75              |
| Stilz, Henry G.  | 1 35              |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.  | 19 79             |
| Tranzo Envelope Co.  | 9 15              |
| Universal Fixture Corp.  | 10 00             |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.   | 5 00              |
| Walker, Frank R.   | 6 00              |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.                                    | 553 12            |
| Wilson Co., H. W.  | 124 43            |
|  | <u>\$5 355 60</u> |
| Pd) Settle, George T.<br>Librarian, Pay Roll                           | <u>4 208 35</u>   |
|  | <u>\$9 563 95</u> |
| Pd) New York Exchange for the Mutual<br>Life Insurance Co. of New York | <u>7 750 00</u>   |

TOTAL-----\$17 313 95

Mr. Thalheimer of the Building Committee read the following report:

To the Building Committee:

The Department of Buildings, W. J. O'Sullivan, inspector, served a notice on the Librarian to have certain repairs made at the Public Library building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Co.

In the absence of the Chairman of the Building Committee, I conferred with Mr. Barker of the Executive Committee as to the Library's liability under the lease to make these changes. I submit my letter of December 5 to W. J. O'Sullivan, Inspector of Buildings, as part of this report.

We have received a statement from Kaufman-Straus Co. for repairs made on September 11 on the elevator in the Public Library Building, amounting to \$26.33. I am quite sure that under the terms of our lease we are not liable for these repairs.

The above is reported to you for your information and instructions.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) Geo. T. Settle

Librarian

Following is the letter to W. J. O'Sullivan, Inspector of Buildings, City Hall:

December 5, 1916

My dear Mr. O'Sullivan:

We have received your notice of November 29 calling for changes at the Public Library building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Co.

I am instructed by a member of the Executive Committee to say that under the lease between the Public Library and Kaufman-Straus Co., the Public Library is not liable for any repairs or improvements or changes in the building.

The Library Board meets December 13 and their attention will be called to this notice, but in the meantime, I would suggest that a similar notice be served on Kaufman-Straus Co.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Geo. T. Settle

Librarian

The opinion of Mr. Herr and Mr. Barker that the Board is not liable in the matter was unanimously approved.

Dr. Mullins, Chairman of the Special Committee appointed to investigate and report on the material offered to the Museum by *and Mr. S. Thruston Ballard\** Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston, made the following report:

*\* See minutes of Board meeting February 14, 1917.*

To the Library Board:

Your Committee appointed to see the Museum Material offered by Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston to the library, met at the warehouse on Saturday, December 2, with the following members present: Dr. Mullins, Dr. Hemphill and Mr. Settle of the committee, and Mr. Thruston.

Your Committee after examining the material offered by Mr. Thruston agree that it is eminently worthy of a place in the library and would be a very decided addition to what we already have in this department. We understand that the Library Committee has already taken action appropriating \$1,000.00 for cases for the Museum exhibit, provided the committee recommends and the Board approves their recommendation to accept this material.

Your Committee is glad to report that Mr. Thruston also agrees in case the material which he offers is accepted by the Board, to bring an expert to Louisville who will arrange and classify all of the Museum material not yet classified, without expense to the library.

In view of the above, your Committee recommends the acceptance of the material offered by Mr. Thruston and the services of the expert which he will provide.

Respectfully,

(Signed)

E. Y. Mullins  
C. R. Hemphill

Upon motion the same was approved and the Secretary was instructed to extend thanks to Mr. Thruston. The calling of the Ayes and Nays was asked by Mr. Herr upon this question to show seven voting, with the following result: Ayes, Ray, Ossmann, Hemphill, Thalheimer, Herr, Mullins, Bartholomew. Nays, None.

Mr. Thalheimer offered the following resolution which was unanimously approved and adopted:

That no political meeting of any kind shall be held in any of the libraries under the control of this Board, and that no candidate for any office of honor, profit or trust to be voted for by the voters in any general or special election shall be endorsed at any meeting held within any of said libraries. This applied to all meetings, for whatever purposes they are called.

The word "election" as used herein includes any election, whether held for the purpose of allowing the voters at large to vote or an election held by a delegated body.

The word "election" as herein used also includes an appointment to any office of honor, profit or trust.

Mr. Lewis A. Walter, representing the Filson Club, addressed the Board. He asked that the Art Room in the eastern part of the Main building be set aside for the use of the Filson Club for books, pamphlets, manuscripts, pictures and museum material belonging to the club, believing that the use of the books, etc. would be valuable in many ways, especially in communicating the important historical facts, etc. to the youth of the city. At the conclusion of his remarks, Dr. Mullins moved that the request be referred to the Library Committee.

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Jan 10 1917

Bennett H. Young President  
Geo. C. Still Secretary

# The Thirty-Ninth Annual Conference

OF THE

# American Library Association

Louisville, Kentucky

JUNE 21-27, 1917

## Local Executive Committee

GEN. BENNETT H. YOUNG, Chairman

THOMAS A. BARKER, Vice-Chairman

GEORGE T. SETTLE, Secretary

MAYOR JOHN H. BUSCHEMEYER

MRS. HERBERT W. MENGEL

C. C. OUSLEY

MARION E. TAYLOR

MRS. PIERCE BUTLER

EDWARD J. O'BRIEN

FANNIE C. RAWSON

CHARLES A. WEBER

## Program

The Local Executive Committee representing the Louisville Free Public Library and the Louisville Convention and Publicity League and other local organizations which joined them in the invitation to the A. L. A. presents the following program of entertainment. The program for general sessions and conference meetings of affiliating societies will be prepared by the secretaries of the different societies and issued in printed form available to members.

Admission to general and social sessions at Macauley's Theatre and social entertainments at the Seelbach will be by card. Members will be given coupon books upon registering.

THURSDAY, JUNE 21

8:00 p. m.

MACAULEY'S THEATRE

Local Executive Committee in charge  
GEN. BENNETT H. YOUNG, Chairman

Invocation

Rev. Frank M. Thomas, D. D., pastor Fourth Avenue M. E. Church, South

Short Addresses—Welcome to the South

Augustus O. Stanley, Governor of Kentucky  
John H. Buschemeyer, Mayor of Louisville

At this point the meeting is turned over to the A. L. A. President

The Library staff ushers

10:00 p. m.

SEELBACH AUDITORIUM

Informal reception will immediately follow adjournment of first general session.

Committee in charge

PROF. W. H. BARTHOLOMEW, Chairman

BERNICE W. BELL, Secretary

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| MARGARET STEELE ANDERSON      | ANNETTE L. CLARK               |
| DR. AND MRS. HENRY A. COTTELL | MR. AND MRS. GEORGE G. FETER   |
| FRANK K. KAVANAUGH            | MR. AND MRS. JOHN L. PATTERSON |
| BERTHA F. POINDEXTER          | JAMES H. RICHMOND              |
| REV. JOHN R. SANPEY           | CHARLES B. SEYMOUR             |
| MRS. ANNE M. SPEARS           | REV. EDWARD L. WARREN          |

Governor and Mrs. Stanley, Mayor and Mrs. Buschemeyer, the Local Executive Committee representative of the local organizations that joined the Public Library in the invitation to come to Louisville, and librarians from the South are asked to meet visiting librarians.

FRIDAY, JUNE 22

4:00 p. m.

WOMAN'S CLUB

The Executive Committee of the Woman's Club in charge  
Informal reception

**SUNDAY, JUNE 24**

**Where to Worship**

Church services at 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.  
Masses at 7:00, 9:00 and 10:00 a. m.

**Committee in charge**

HARDIN H. HERR, Chairman  
SALLIE T. BERRYMAN, Secretary

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|------------------|----------------------|
| JOHN J. DAVIS    | JOHN L. DUNLAP       |
| GEORGE E. HAYS   | HENRY M. JOHNSON     |
| LEWIS H. JONES   | THEODORE KEMNITZ     |
| HENRY B. MCBRIDE | ROBINSON A. MCDOWELL |
| ALFRED PIRTLE    | ALFRED SELIGMAN      |
| WALTER E. SNOW   | DR. B. F. ZIMMERMANN |

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

11:00 a. m.

Sermon: Education and Morals.....Rev. Edward L. Powell, D. D.

**4:00 p. m.**

**MACAULEY'S THEATRE**

**Sacred Concert**

**Committee in charge**

REV. CHARLES R. HEMPHILL, D. D., Chairman  
MRS. GEORGE T. SETTLE, Secretary

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| FRANK T. BUERK        | MRS. KATHERINE WHIPPLE DOBBS |
| ANNA L. HOPPER        | EDWARD A. JONAS              |
| RICHARD G. KNOTT      | JOSEPHINE MCGILL             |
| MRS. SIDNEY J. MEYERS | CORNEILLE A. OVERSTREET      |
| VICTOR H. RUDOLF      | MRS. JOHN D. SAMPLE          |
| CARL SHACKELTON       | KARL SCHMIDT                 |

**PROGRAM**

**Louisville Male Chorus**

Carl Shackelton, Director

Florence Blackman, Accompanist

**Soloists**

Esther Metz, Soprano

Edward G. Hill, Tenor

Introductory Remarks.....Rev. Charles R. Hemphill, Chairman

Invocation.....Rabbi Joseph Rauch

1 Prayer of thanksgiving—Folk-song of the Netherlands

2 Crossing the bar.....Foote

3 Worship of God in nature.....Beethoven

4 Solos—

(a) Gloria.....Buzzi-Peccia

(b) O for the wings of a dove.....Mendelssohn

5 Landsighting.....Grieg

**Intermission**

6 The radiant morn hath passed away.....Woodward

7 Solos—

(a) Fear not ye, O Israel.....Buck

(b) Like as the hart desireth.....Allitsen

Mr. Hill

8 The long day closes.....Sullivan

9 Cantata—To the sons of art.....Mendelssohn

The Library staff ushers

## Local Committees

### Publicity

Rev. Edward L. Powell, D. D., Chairman  
Carolyn E. Adelberg, Secretary

Margaret E. Boyd  
Hortense Flexner  
Kathleen P. Jennings

Arthur B. Krook  
David Morton  
Beatrice S. Moses

George R. Newman  
Brainard Platt  
Charles A. Segner

Mrs. Aubrey Cossar  
Miriam Gaines  
Wynnie King

Emma Loving  
George F. Moser  
Charles H. Musgrove

Paul A. Plaschke  
Lella Scoggin  
H. Mark Sheppard

### Rooming

George T. Settle, Chairman  
May Wood Wigginton, Secretary

Edward J. Bosler  
Mary Elizabeth Durning  
Mary C. Foley  
Pearl Hinesley

Otto A. Rothert  
Jessie M. Taylor  
Anna Coldewey  
Mary Goode English

Edna Grauman  
Charles G. McGrath  
George Schenck  
Maude Tracy

Mario Batman  
Alice P. Gilmore  
Minnie Lunn  
Loraine Norris

### Printing Programs

Philip Ossmann, Chairman  
Bertha Guntermann, Secretary

Esther Spohn  
Hall Warren  
Laura M. Fay  
Antoinette Hubbuch

Josie McCormack  
Mary B. Pratt  
Elise M. Vitz  
Elizabeth S. Woodson

### Decoration

Caroline Q. Fullerton, Chairman  
Cora M. Beatty, Secretary

Charles E. Brett  
Sarah A. Dreher  
Jacob B. Judah  
Mario E. Maloney  
James C. Murphy  
Mrs. C. B. Thompson

Maude M. Schon  
Alfred Struck  
Mrs. Henry Burnett  
Fred Haupt  
Fred W. Keisker  
Joseph E. Marret

Mary A. Thomas  
Mrs. Mary Marr Thompson  
W. K. Stewart  
Ella C. Warren

Charles W. Allen  
Mrs. H. W. Blanc  
Patrick H. Callahan  
William B. Dixon  
Sebastian O. Hubbuch  
Mrs. C. Malcolm Bullitt

### Social Clubs and Recreation

Col. Joshua D. Powers, Chairman  
Mary Brown Humphrey, Secretary

Arthur M. Rutledge  
Benjamin S. Washer  
Smith T. Bailey  
Mrs. Helm Bruce  
Col. William A. Colston  
Victor K. Ecker

Robert C. Kinkead  
Avery Robinson  
Edward Sachs  
Morris M. Wright

### Information

May Wood Wigginton, Chairman  
Clara L. Behrens, Secretary

The entire Library staff assisted by Andrew T. Benson, Scout Executive and Boy Scouts. A representative of the committee will be at Seelbach Hotel headquarters and at Macauley's Theatre during general and social sessions.



## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting January 10, 1917 at 5 P.M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Powell, Thalheimer, Barker, Herr, Hemphill, Ray and Settle.

In the absence of President Buschemeyer, General Young, Vice-president, presided and in the absence of Professor Bartholomew, the Assistant Secretary acted.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A letter from Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston, signed by his secretary, acknowledging receipt of letter enclosing the resolution of the Library Board accepting Mr. Thruston's gift of museum material and offer to pay for the services of an expert to arrange and catalog the unclassified museum material was read; also a letter from Mr. Tampton Aubuchon acknowledging receipt of a letter offering the services of the Louisville Free Public Library in his work with the Louisville Industrial Foundation.

The Treasurer's report was read by Mr. Herr of the Finance Committee. The report stated that the cash balance on hand January 1 was \$1,607.69 and that to this was to be added \$3,000. from rent Kaufman-Straus Co., making a total of \$4,607.69. Upon motion the report was received and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for the month was read and showed a circulation of 95,202 volumes, an increase of 5,655 over the same month last year. This includes 42,523 books read by children and 52,679 books read by adults. The report shows a total of 6,350 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 2,311 over the same month last year. Upon motion the report was received and ordered filed.

In the absence of a quorum of the Library Committee, the Librarian's recommendations to the committee were read to the

Board by Dr. Powell, with the following action:

The recommendation that the following nine young ladies who had satisfactorily completed the library training class course which ended January 6 and passed the final examination, be placed on the eligible list for substitute work and positions as they might occur in the library, upon motion was approved:

|                        | June Exam | Gen. Average |
|------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Berry, Eleanor M.      | 62.8      | 85.6         |
| Berry, Mary Winston    | 76.8      | 85.3         |
| Driskill, Dorothy      | 63.5      | 81.2         |
| Ford, Margaret         | 91.3      | 95           |
| Frost, Sue Hunt        | 64.8      | 79           |
| Mullen, Catherine      | 74        | 85.5         |
| Osborne, Ruth M.       | 64.6      | 82           |
| Steidle, Marión Isabel | 73.9      | 84           |
| Steinacker, Edna       | 77.8      | 85.2         |

In addition, Miss Emmie FitzHugh, an assistant from the Henderson (Ky.) Public Library, and Miss Emma J. Shriner, Librarian of the Normal School Library, took part of the course but were not examined for the eligible list.

Members of the class came from the Universities of Louisville, Kentucky and Cincinnati, Presentation Academy, Semple Collegiate School and the Louisville Girls High School.

The recommendation that the training class be limited to twelve, two of whom may be from out of the city who have definite connections with Kentucky libraries, upon motion was approved.

The recommendation that the resignation of Mary J. Burns be accepted was approved. Miss Burns is to be married.

The recommendation that Sarah K. Dreher, assistant at the Shelby Park Branch, be granted one month's leave of absence with pay beginning January 17 was approved. This time is granted for a necessary surgical operation. Miss Dreher has been connected with the library since 1913, doing very efficient work, and has lost little time on account of illness.

The recommendations that a Victrola be purchased, cost not to exceed \$50., that a multigraph be purchased, cost not to exceed \$250., and that an automobile be purchased, cost with accessories not to exceed \$1,200., upon motion of Dr. Hemphill were deferred.

Members of the Library Committee present reported that no action had been taken on the request of the Filson Club for quarters in the Main library building and asked for further time which was granted.

The bills for the month which had been audited by Dr. Powell and General Young of the Library Committee, were approved and ordered paid:

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| Abell Elevator Co.                            | \$ 10 00 |
| American Association Medical Milk Commissions | 1 00     |
| American Concrete Institute                   | 8 50     |
| American Library Association                  | 5 00     |
| Anderson, Margaret S.                         | 7 50     |
| Atlas Coal Co.                                | 158 13   |
| Becker, Vernon W.                             | 1 55     |
| Bland Electric Co.                            | 3 80     |
| Boston Book Co.                               | 2 58     |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                             | 1 30     |
| Bush-Krebs Co.                                | 21 46    |
| Carter Dry Goods Co.                          | 3 10     |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                          | 6 75     |
| Columbia Carbon Co.                           | 14 05    |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                         | 1 55     |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.        | 27 65    |
| Daughters of the American Revolution Magazine | 1 20     |
| Dye Mfg. Co. E. B.                            | 9 72     |
| Ewing's Sons, D. H.                           | 6 25     |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                           | 15 04    |
| Finck, Carl H.                                | 5 40     |
| Fischer Co., Heinrich                         | 27 14    |
| Fuller Ink Co.                                | 8 16     |
| Gaylord Bros.                                 | 79 04    |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)              | 69 65    |
| Harcourt & Co.                                | 10 50    |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry                     | 3 70     |
| Independent, The                              | 1 00     |
| Jeunesse, R.                                  | 4 10     |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                            | 9 39     |
| Kendrick's Sons, Wm.                          | 2 00     |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                        | 129 40   |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.                 | 7 30     |
| Korfhage, Herman C.                           | 3 50     |
| Levy Bros.                                    | 15 00    |

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| Library Bureau                        | \$142 66 |
| Long's Towel Supply Co.               | 8 00     |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.       | 146 85   |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.         | 105 75   |
| Louisville Motor Repair Co.           | 1 56     |
| Louisville Paper Co.                  | 8 15     |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.           | 7 25     |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                  | 604 21   |
| Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Co.    | 5 95     |
| Morton & Co., John P.                 | 69 40    |
| National Conference on City Planning  | 5 00     |
| National Historical Society           | 5 00     |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.               | 2 70     |
| Quick Tire Service                    | 23 45    |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                   | 10 60    |
| Settle, George T., Petty Cash         | 115 63   |
| Settle, George T., Traveling Expenses | 40 75    |
| Smith and Dugan                       | 5 50     |
| Special Libraries Association         | 2 00     |
| Standard Gas Station                  | 15 45    |
| Standard Printing Co.                 | 387 25   |
| Stewart Co., Inc., W. K.              | 335 47   |
| Stilz, Henry G.                       | 1 40     |
| Strauss Grocery Co., Julius           | 2 15     |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.             | 48 43    |
| Transylvania Printing Co.             | 2 00     |
| Van Nostrand Co., D.                  | 13 95    |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                  | 5 00     |
| Vocational Supply Co.                 | 1 68     |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.   | 566 14   |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.           | 3 00     |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                     | 30 60    |
| Young, Bennett H., Traveling Expenses | 32 00    |

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Pd) Settle, George T. Librarian, Pay Roll 4 057 70

TOTAL-----\$7 494 04

The Special Committee appointed under resolution November 15 to visit the University of Chicago to investigate the report that Polytechnic Library books had been sold with the Durrett collection, reported as follows:

January 10, 1917

To the Library Board:

Under resolution November 15, 1916 your Vice-president and Librarian as a committee were instructed to visit Chicago to investigate the report that a great many Polytechnic Library books had been sold with the Durrett collection to the University of Chicago.

We wish to report that we talked to Ernest D. Burton, Director of the University of Chicago Libraries,

J. C. M. Hanson, Associate Director University of Chicago Libraries, and Wallace Heckman, business manager University of Chicago.

Dr. Burton made an engagement to meet us at his office at the University but seeing Dr. Hanson in the meanwhile, we cancelled the appointment with Dr. Burton. Dr. Hanson was very much surprised to hear that there were any Polytechnic books included in the Durrett collection, and said he was quite sure if this was a fact that they would be returned to us without any trouble. He referred us to Mr. Heckman, business manager. Mr. Heckman suggested that we write a letter stating our case and that he would immediately take steps to have any volumes bearing Polytechnic marks returned. We are quite sure that this will result in any volumes belonging to the Polytechnic Society in the hands of the University Library being returned to us.

Your Committee took advantage of this visit to extend an invitation to the A.L.A. to meet in Louisville in June 1917.

The American Library Association holds its session for six days and will have an attendance of 1500 to 2000 people and mean much to the city of Louisville, not only by way of advertising the city but by bringing people into the city who will spend large sums of money.

The invitation which was gotten up by the Louisville Free Public Library was unique and attractive and was very highly complimented by all the members of the Executive Council. There was no other invitation that was so attractive in form or so complete in matter.

Cincinnati had a very large and enthusiastic delegation to represent her interests in the presentation of their invitation. Your Vice-President and Librarian stood alone. Cincinnati felt entirely confident of securing the meeting. Your Librarian spent Thursday, the day preceding the presentation of the invitation, in Chicago and did what he could to inform the members about Louisville. The Vice-President arrived Thursday evening and shortly afterwards went before the Executive Board.

There were many kind and generous things said about Louisville's invitation and about the manner of its presentation. Everything was said and done in a kind and generous way but Cincinnati was insistent and confident and it required some diplomatic management to overcome the Cincinnati invitation backed by this large delegation, not only its Board of Trade but other associations.

Our Library ranks 20 in circulation, having circulated last year 1,074,360 volumes, or more than 4½ volumes per capita. Only four other cities have circulated more than 4 volumes per capita, Cleveland, Ohio, 4.93, spent nearly \$400,000., Portland, Ore., 5, spent

nearly \$160,000., Seattle, Wash., 4.2, spent nearly \$150,000., and Minneapolis, 4.18, spent nearly \$175,000. to do the work, against our \$87,855.65 last year.

Our Library has increased more than 52% in circulation of books and more than 115% in reference topics looked up in five years.

We spent last year in circulating more than a million volumes \$87,855.65, only \$64,400.07 of which was from city taxes, the balance from rent Kaufman-Straus building. There is not another library in the United States that has circulated over a million volumes that hasn't cost in city taxes more than \$100,000., the figures ranging from \$107,000. to \$1,520,000. which was spent by New York.

We are proud of our city and our library and these are a few of the reasons why we were anxious to have the A.L.A. come to Louisville.

Your representatives particularly dwelt upon the splendid service which had been given the colored population of the City of Louisville by the Louisville Free Public Library. Many of those who heard the statements about the work of the Louisville Library along this line were astonished at what the City of Louisville had done in this regard.

Your representatives extended Kentucky hospitality and assured all concerned of a welcome that was worthy of the traditional and historical hospitality of this Commonwealth. We left a delightful impression on the minds of the several hundred delegates who were at this meeting and we are hoping that Louisville will measure up to the standard that we prescribed for her. We feel assured from the conditions that are now existing that we shall be able to take care of these people in a way that will reflect the highest credit not only on Louisville but on Kentucky.

Bennett H. Young)  
( Committee  
George T. Settle)

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed. The Board, upon motion of Mr. Thalheimer, voted thanks to General Young and the Librarian for their "magnificent work" in bringing the A.L.A. to Louisville.

Upon motion of Mr. Herr, the following resolution thanking the societies, individuals and press for their assistance in

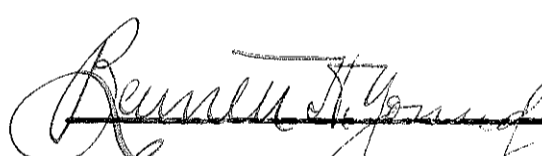
obtaining the A.L.A. for Louisville, was adopted:

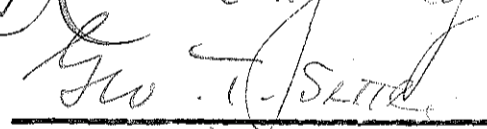
The American Library Association, one of the largest organizations which meets throughout the country, has accepted the invitation of the City of Louisville to meet here June 21-27. The movement to secure the meeting of the American Library Association during this period was led by the Louisville Free Public Library assisted by a number of societies, individuals and in a large degree by the press of the city of Louisville. The Louisville Free Public Library begs now to return its thanks for the aid that was rendered by all these societies, individuals and press.

Upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Feb. 14, 1917

  
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President

  
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Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting February 14, 1917 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Powell, Hemphill, Herr, Barker, Ossmann, Thalheimer, O'Brien and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The letter from Lewis A. Walter, Tampa, Fla., under date of February 3, asking what action had been taken on the request of the Filson Club for a room at the Main building, was read. General Young reported that he had been unable to get a quorum of the Library Committee together and asked for further time.

The letter of January 17, 1917 from L. J. Kinkead, Secretary, advising that the material for the museum noted at a previous meeting as given by Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston had been given jointly by Mr. S. Thruston Ballard and R. C. Ballard Thruston was read. It was moved that the minutes of December 12, 1916 be changed to read to include S. Thruston Ballard as associated with R. C. Ballard Thruston in the gift of Roman and Greek relics and the offer to defray the expenses of an expert from the East to rearrange and classify the material in the museum not classified. This was approved.

The letter from Thomas D. Osborne under date February 8, 1917 offering as a gift his Confederate Reunion Scrap Book of letters, clippings, etc., was read. Upon motion this gift was accepted and the Secretary authorized to write a letter of thanks.

The letter under date of February 13, 1917 signed by Patrick E. Gorman, president, and L. F. Steinmetz, Jr., Secretary, United Trades and Labor Assembly, including the following resolution, was read:



February 13, 1917

WHEREAS, The testimony taken by the Federal Commission on Industrial Relations during its sittings in 1913 and 1914 has just been published, and

WHEREAS, Ten thousand sets of eleven volumes each, ordered by Congress, came from the press January 17th, and each Senator is entitled to twenty five sets for distribution and each Representative to sixteen sets, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the United Trades and Labor Assembly, through its representative, Trustee Philip Ossmann, be requested to urge the Library Board to secure one of these sets of books for use in the Reference Room of the Louisville Free Public Library, and

RESOLVED, That a copy of the foregoing resolution be sent to the Secretary of the Library Board, signed by the President of the United Trades and Labor Assembly, and certified by the Secretary.

(Signed) Patrick E. Gorman President

(Signed) L. F. Steinmetz, Jr. Secretary

Certified.

The Librarian stated the set is a government publication and the Louisville Library as a United States Depository receives everything printed by the Government, books, pamphlets, etc. However, he stated he would write the department as requested. Upon motion this was approved.

A petition signed by thirty or more residents of Jefferson County asking that a library station be placed at Kosmosdale was read. The Librarian reported that many requests had been received for stations in Jefferson County, and the question of location of ten or more would be considered just as soon as the roads were in condition to visit the localities. Upon motion of Mr. Herr these requests were referred to the Library Committee.

The letter from the Board of Public Works signed by James G. Caldwell, Chairman, and Ed T. Tierney, Chairman Board of Public Safety, was read. This called attention to the fact that sewer connections had not been made at the Crescent Hill Branch Library. The Librarian reported that this building was erected before the public sewer had been placed. Upon motion of Mr. O'Brien, this was referred to the Building Committee.

The Local Executive Committee for the A.L.A., upon motion of Mr. Herr, was named as follows: Mayor John H. Buschemeyer, Bennett H. Young, Edward J. O'Brien, Thomas A. Barker, Mrs. Pierce Butler, Mrs. Herbert W. Mengel, Marion E. Taylor, Charles A. Weber, C. C. Ousley, and George T. Settle. This was approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and ordered filed. It showed a cash balance February 1 of \$3,361.94 and stated that \$3,000. was to be added to this from rent Public Library building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Co., making a total of \$6,361.94.

The Librarian's report for the month was read and showed a circulation of 113,337 volumes, an increase of 13,687 over the same month last year. This includes 49,069 books read by children and 64,268 by adults. The report shows a total of 8,078 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 3,364 over the same month last year. Upon motion the report was received and ordered filed.

The report of the Library Committee was called for but no quorum being present, no action had been taken. Dr. Powell stated that he and General Young had audited the bills and upon motion they were approved and ordered paid:

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|----------------------------|-------|
| Abell Elevator Co.         | 16 60 |
| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co. | 1 00  |
| A. L. A. Publishing Board  | 1 67  |
| Ammon, Samuel A.           | 3 00  |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.      | 2 70  |

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| Arabol Mfg. Co.                        | \$4 80 |
| Atlas Coal Co.                         | 173 25 |
| Ayer and Son, N. W.                    | 10 00  |
| Bland Electric Co.                     | 57 85  |
| Boston Book Co.                        | 5 95   |
| Brown, Alexander M.                    | 14 75  |
| Clegg and Co., F. A.                   | 4 38   |
| Clemens, William M.                    | 1 00   |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co. | 28 40  |
| Dinkelspiel, Blanche                   | 8 32   |
| Dodd, Mead and Co.                     | 42 65  |
| Drama League of America                | 2 00   |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                    | 2 17   |
| Ewing Sons, D. H.                      | 6 50   |
| Falls City Buggy Top Co.               | 2 00   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                    | 38 85  |
| Fisher & Bro., J.                      | 7 77   |
| Fuller Ink Co.                         | 7 68   |
| Gaylord Bros.                          | 4 35   |
| Georgia Chamber of Commerce            | 1 00   |
| Greenwell, Geo.                        | 8 35   |
| Gross, Parsons & Hambleton             | 5 50   |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)       | 27 43  |
| Heaton's Agency                        | 1 30   |
| Hubbuch Bros. and Wellendorff          | 9 00   |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                     | 369 76 |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                 | 336 40 |
| Kentucky Paper Box Co.                 | 43 43  |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.          | 16 67  |
| Krausgill Piano Co.                    | 1 70   |
| Lampton, Crane and Ramey Co.           | 2 93   |
| Lemcke and Buechner                    | 3 17   |
| Library Bureau                         | 91 53  |
| Library of Congress                    | 100 00 |
| Long's Towel Supply                    | 8 00   |
| Louisville Auto Supply Co.             | 6 15   |
| Louisville Chemical Co.                | 5 17   |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.        | 151 42 |
| Louisville Motor Repair Co.            | 4 75   |
| Louisville Paper Co.                   | 14 50  |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.            | 6 75   |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                   | 496 27 |
| Mayes Printing Co.                     | 9 25   |
| Mengel & Bro. Co., C. C.               | 4 00   |
| Merchants Ice and Cold Storage Co.     | 6 45   |
| Miller Mfg. Co., Paul                  | 11 25  |
| Mississippi Historical Society, The    | 2 00   |
| Morton & Co., John P.                  | 238 58 |
| National Genealogical Society, The     | 1 00   |
| New York Times Index                   | 8 00   |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                | 24 90  |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                   | 4 18   |
| Quick Tire Service                     | 17 99  |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                    | 41 67  |
| Rand McNally & Co.                     | 16 00  |
| Remington Typewriter Co.               | 3 50   |
| Robinson-Pettet Co.                    | 1 20   |
| Rochester Re-Inking Co.                | 1 11   |
| Settle, George T. Librarian            | 129 40 |

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| Shaw Co., A. W.                     | 16 20      |
| Sikking & Sons, J. E.               | 45 35      |
| Smith and Dugan                     | 12 00      |
| Snead and Co., Iron Works           | 375 00     |
| Southern Historical Society         | 3 00       |
| Spahn Co., Adam                     | 78 00      |
| Standard Gas Station                | 18 77      |
| Standard Printing Co.               | 6 50       |
| Stewart Co., Incorporated           | 839 56     |
| Stewart Dry Goods Co.               | 2 50       |
| Tennessee Historical Magazine       | 1 00       |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                | 5 00       |
| Watts, John R.                      | 3 70       |
| Wegelin, Oscar                      | 18 50      |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. | 565 69     |
| White & Co., James T.               | 8 00       |
| Williams Delivery Co.               | 3 50       |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                   | 49 99      |
| Wood, Stubbs & Co.                  | 12 68      |
| Ye Booke Stalle                     | 4 05       |
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| Total-----                          | \$8 859 44 |

Mr. D. I. Muldoon, 741 S. Brook St., came before the Board to present a proposition that the library accept a relief map of Louisville. The Librarian stated, before Mr. Muldoon appeared, that it was Mr. Muldoon's intention to have the library say they would accept the map and to use the name of the library in soliciting subscriptions. Mr. Muldoon stated that he expected to make three or four base relief maps of Louisville at a cost of not less than \$500. each and that he wanted the Library Board to accept one provided it was given without cost to them. Upon motion the matter was referred to the Library Committee. The motion included that the Library did not care to permit its name to be used in soliciting subscriptions. This was approved.

Upon motion of Mr. O'Brien, the Librarian was authorized to purchase an automobile, cost with accessories not to exceed \$1,250.00.

General Young, Chairman of the Special Committee to make arrangements to extend library privileges to Jefferson County, pre-

sented the following report:

February 14, 1917

To the Library Board:

Your Special Committee appointed to make arrangements to extend library privileges to Jefferson County, begs to report that the Fiscal Court accepted our proposition and will pay \$5,000. for library privileges. We submit herewith our proposition to the Fiscal Court of Jefferson County as part of this report for record in the minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

Committee

Bennett H. Young  
E. J. O'Brien  
Thos. A. Barker  
Geo. T. Settle

TO The Fiscal Court of Jefferson County:

The undersigned were appointed a committee from the Louisville Free Public Library of Louisville, Kentucky to suggest to you as the representative of the county of Jefferson, a plan by which the children and people of Jefferson County may enjoy the benefits of a great, free, public library.

Louisville possesses, population and wealth considered, the best free, public library in the United States. The library has nearly 200,000 volumes and has in the city of Louisville more than 52,000 registered readers, and circulated more than 1,000,000 books last year. The library has met every intellectual as well as educational demand of the people of the city and we believe the people of the county would be fortunate if they might avail themselves of these advantages at such small cost. The Louisville library system represents an investment of nearly \$1,500,000. and for the sum of \$5,000. about the average cost of conducting a branch library, the people of the county would in a large measure be able to enjoy the benefits which this great outlay has brought to the people of Louisville.

We are authorized to make suggestions to you which would open up the entire resources of the library and bring the library home to the taxpayers and residents of Jefferson County, outside the city of Louisville, by placing stations in the towns and villages, and class room collections in the schools of the county.

If the county will appropriate the sum of \$5,000. each year beginning February 1, 1917, the Louisville Free Public Library will agree to buy 2,500 additional volumes this year, which shall be used in the county work. This does not take into account the 200,000 volumes in the library which would be open to the people in the county, and the entire resources of the library including the use of the Cir-

ulation, Reference and Children's Departments of the Main library and branches, under the following conditions:

- 1) To place at the disposal of the taxpayers and residents of the county the entire resources of the Louisville Free Public Library including the use of the Circulation, Children's and Reference departments and reading rooms of the Main library and branches under the same rules as govern the taxpayers and residents of the city;
- 2) To establish stations in the towns and villages in the county to be conducted by the Stations department as stations are conducted in the city;
- 3) To place class room collections in the schools in the county to be conducted by the Children's Department as class room collections are conducted in the city.

The following towns are suggested from which not less than ten may be chosen for stations to be established immediately, as rapidly as proper arrangements can be made: Beechmont, Anchorage, Buechel, Fisherville, Glenview, Harrods Creek, Highland Park, Jeffersontown, Kosmosdale, Lyndon, Middletown, Oakdale, O'Bannon, Okolona, Prospect, St. Helen's, St. Matthews, Shively, Southern Heights, South Park, Valley Station, Fern Creek, Orell, Fairdale, and others that may be suggested. The intention is to in time place stations at all points in the county where proper arrangements may be made.

The Committee is of the opinion that almost immeasurable benefits will be derived by the people and children of the county by securing for them these accommodations. The Committee feels that in helping the county they are helping the city. What is good for the county is good for the city and for these reasons we beg your careful consideration of our proposition.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) Bennett H. Young )  
 Edward J. O'Brien ( Committee  
 Thos. A. Barker )  
 George T. Settle (

Upon motion this was approved.

Mr. E. J. O'Brien, Chairman of the Building Committee, presented the following report:

February 14, 1917

To the Library Board:

We submit herewith the minutes of the called meeting of the Building Committee, Monday, Feb. 5, 1917, for endorsement and record in the minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) E. J. O'Brien

Chairman Building Committee

Called Meeting of the Building Committee in Librarian's Office

Monday, February 5, 1917 at 4 P.M.

Present: E. J. O'Brien, Chairman, E. Y. Mullins, William Thalheimer, Philip Ossmann, J. C. Murphy representing D. X. Murphy & Bro., architects, and Mr. Settle.

The Committee opened bids for work under specifications drawn by D. X. Murphy & Bro. In each case the lowest bid was accepted and the architect authorized to have the work done by June 1.

The bids were as follows:

ELECTRIC WIRING AND FIXTURES ENTIRE. UNDER SPECIFICATIONS

|                                   | Day Work      | Night Work |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|------------|
| Bland Electric Co.                | \$910.00      | \$1,035.50 |
| Home Electric Co.                 | 705.00        | 855.00     |
| Harry I. Wood Co.                 | <u>681.70</u> | 782.70     |
| Marine Electric Co.               | 827.00        | 887.00     |
| Central Electric Construction Co. | 756.00        | 756.00     |

The bid of Harry I. Wood Co., \$681.70, work done in day time, which was the lowest, was accepted by the Committee and the architect was authorized to have the work done.

WORKS AND ALTERATIONS-REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS ENTIRE. UNDER SPECIFICATIONS

|                       |                 |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Alfred Struck Co.     | \$2,715.00      |
| Frey Planing Mill Co. | <u>2,086.00</u> |
| R. Mansfield & Sons   | 2,977.00        |
| John Bott             | 2,778.50        |

Upon motion of Mr. O'Brien, the Committee rejected one bid (bidder unknown) as the architect stated it did not come under the specifications of Works and Alterations, etc.

The bid of Frey Planing Mill Co., \$2,086.00, which was the lowest, was accepted by the Committee and the architect was authorized to have the work done. The bid accepted includes half of the catalog case in hall and glass doors for cupboards in Stock Room.

PAINTING ENTIRE. UNDER SPECIFICATIONS. MAIN BUILDING.

|                      | Day Work        | Night Work |
|----------------------|-----------------|------------|
| Thos. A. Brocar Co.  | \$1,612.00      | \$2,094.00 |
| Frank Hartman & Sons | 1,642.00        | 1,937.00   |
| M. J. Walsh          | 1,605.00        | 1,893.00   |
| J. L. Strassel Co.   | <u>1,437.00</u> | 1,437.00   |
| W. B. Pell & Bro.    | 1,441.00        | 1,441.00   |

The bid of J. L. Strassel Co., which was the lowest, was accepted by the Committee and the architect was authorized to have the work done.

PAINTING ENTIRE. UNDER SPECIFICATIONS. BRANCHES-Western Colored, Eastern Colored, Jefferson and Portland.

|                      | Day Work      |
|----------------------|---------------|
| Thos. A. Brocar Co.  | \$1,135.00    |
| Frank Hartman & Sons | 1,164.60      |
| M. J. Walsh          | 1,167.00      |
| J. L. Strassel Co.   | 1,087.00      |
| W. B. Pell & Bro.    | <u>936.00</u> |

The bid of W. B. Pell & Bro., which was the lowest, was accepted by the Committee and the architect was authorized to have the work done.

The total bids or contracts awarded amounted to \$5,140.70; \$4,204.70 work at Main and \$936.00 at branches.

Upon motion the committee adjourned.

The report and minutes were approved.

Upon motion the Board adjourned.

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Samuel H. Young President

W. B. Pell Secretary



## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting March 14, 1917 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office  
with the Vice-president in the chair.

Present: Young, Powell, Barker, Powers, Herr, Ossmann, Ray,  
Barker, O'Brien, Hemphill, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report which was presented through Mr. Barker was approved and ordered filed. The report showed a cash balance March 1 of \$18,444.85 and stated that \$3,000. from rent Public Library building was to be added to this making a total of \$21,444.85. The report stated that a voucher had been issued for \$29,000. for bills payable and \$410.29 for interest, total \$29,410.29, and that the balance, \$21,444.85, remained after this had been paid.

The Librarian's report was read by the Secretary and was approved. The report showed an increase in circulation of 894 volumes over February 1916, the total being 108,483, regardless of one day less in the month and one additional holiday. The circulation included 47,327 books read by children and 61,156 by adults. 3,169 topics were looked up at the Main library, 4,058 at the branches, and 2,926 at the high and normal schools, a total of 10,153, which was an increase of 2,285 over the same month last year.

The report to the Library Committee was considered item by item:

A letter from Mr. James Speed under date of March 13, was read. Mr. Speed suggested that another department be added to the library to make photographs and circulate lantern slides and offered his services for this purpose at a cost of \$60. per month. Upon motion this request was not granted because of lack of funds.

The recommendation that a new multigraph be purchased to cost

including exchange of old one, \$250.00, was approved.

The recommendations that Marion Isabel Warden be appointed on the staff assigned to the Catalog Department to take the place of Esther Spohn transferred to the Stations Department, and that Catherine Griffith Mullen be appointed on the staff assigned to the Children's Department, were approved. These appointments were necessary to take care of the extra work entailed by extending library privileges to the county.

The recommendation that the Librarian be authorized to employ the full time of a substitute was approved. This is necessary on account of the increase in work in the Circulation and Reference Departments. At present the full time of an assistant is divided between the Reference and Circulation Departments.

The recommendation that Lavinia Sheekey be appointed on the staff and assigned to the Bindery Department to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation and marriage of Mary J. Burns was approved.

The recommendation that Alice F. Gilmore be granted leave of absence from February 14 to April 2 without pay was approved.

The typewritten copy for the new edition of rules governing the circulation of books was submitted, and, upon motion, referred to the Library Committee.

The recommendation to close the Museum while the material is being arranged by Mr. William N. Scuther was approved.

The Board extended a vote of thanks for one hundred volumes, the gift of Mr. R. W. Knott and instructed the Secretary to write a letter to Mr. Knott conveying the thanks of the Board.

Mr. C. C. Young, c/o Courier Journal, says that he has noted in his will that the library is to receive his collection of coins and chess books. The recommendation that Mr. Young be requested

to give these now to be included in the museum material which is being rearranged through the generosity of R. C. Ballard Thruston and S. Thruston Ballard was approved. The Secretary was instructed to write a letter of thanks to Mr. Young and request that he make his donation now.

The proposition made by D. I. Muldoon to present a relief map of the City of Louisville to the library provided he could get citizens to pay for it was duly considered. Upon motion the request was not granted. The Board did not care to have the name of the library used in soliciting subscriptions.

The request of the Filson Club, through Mr. Lewis A. Walter, for a room to be set aside at the Main library for their use, was not granted. While the Board is in sympathy with the Filson Club and as far as possible desires to co-operate for its advancement, it felt that it could not at this time grant anything further than extending to the club the privilege of meeting in the Librarian's Office or the Assembly Room of the Main library without charge, as heretofore. Upon motion this was approved.

The recommendation that the bound newspapers which Mr. M. M. Quaife, Superintendent State Historical Society, Madison, Wis., desired to purchase be not disposed of but kept was approved.

The bills which had been audited by the Library Committee were upon motion ordered paid:

|                               |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| Abell Elevator Co.            | \$16 40 |
| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co.    | 4 60    |
| American Book Co.             | 46 18   |
| American Social Hygiene Assn. | 4 75    |
| American Technical Society    | 31 57   |
| Andover Press                 | 3 67    |
| Arctic Ice Co.                | 5 55    |
| Associated Retail Advertisers | 3 00    |
| Atlas Coal Co.                | 116 88  |
| Becker, Vernon W.             | 2 95    |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.   | 3 33    |
| Boston Book Co.               | 5 18    |
| Bowker Co., R. R.             | 4 10    |

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| Bowman, Hite D.                            | \$1 120 00 |
| Burdorf-Brecher Co.                        | 2 00       |
| Burroughs Adding Machine Co.               | 4 80       |
| Bush-Krebs Co.                             | 5 67       |
| Bywater Bros.                              | 1 70       |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                      | 2 95       |
| Cumberland Telegraph & Telephone Co.       | 31 66      |
| Dodd, Robert H.                            | 10 28      |
| Dow Wire & Iron Works                      | 3 40       |
| Dye, E. B. Mfg. Co.                        | 2 17       |
| Ewing's Sons, D. H.                        | 6 00       |
| Fetter, Geo. G. Co.                        | 27 95      |
| Fischer, Heinrich Co.                      | 28 41      |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                      | 13 75      |
| Ginn & Co.                                 | 51 52      |
| Grossman, Mrs. Mary E.                     | 1 00       |
| Guntermann, Bertha                         | 18 27      |
| Hale Office Specialty Co.                  | 2 00       |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry                  | 3 30       |
| Jewish Publication Society of America      | 3 00       |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                         | 514 08     |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                     | 175 40     |
| Kentucky Paper Box Co.                     | 20 50      |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.              | 7 30       |
| Library Bureau                             | 30 64      |
| Liebschutz, N.                             | 3 00       |
| Linney, John                               | 2 00       |
| Long's Towel Supply                        | 8 00       |
| Louisville Convention and Publicity League | 10 00      |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.            | 139 70     |
| Louisville Grocery Co.                     | 4 15       |
| Louisville Motor Repair Co.                | 2 50       |
| Louisville Paper Co.                       | 24 71      |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                | 7 15       |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                       | 86 90      |
| Mayes Printing Co.                         | 11 15      |
| Mendenhall, C. S.                          | 1 05       |
| Morton & Co., John P.                      | 146 71     |
| National Child Labor Committee             | 2 00       |
| National Housing Association               | 5 00       |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.                    | 19 50      |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                       | 2 25       |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                        | 22 00      |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                   | 7 75       |
| Ritter & Co.                               | 1 25       |
| Schoppenhorst Dry Cleaning & Dyeing Co.    | 1 00       |
| Schultz & Co., Inc., H.                    | 5 00       |
| Seelbach Hotel Co.                         | 8 50       |
| Settle, George T., Librarian               | 94 06      |
| Slaughter, T. Grant                        | 70 13      |
| Standard Gas Station                       | 17 80      |
| Standard Printing Co.                      | 15 35      |
| Stewart Co., Inc., W. K.                   | 826 77     |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.                  | 5 20       |
| Tucker-Kenworthy Co.                       | 8 49       |
| University of Chicago Press                | 1 58       |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                       | 5 00       |
| Wegelin, Oscar                             | 7 70       |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.        | 547 43     |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                          | 13 13      |
| Wood Co., Hary I.                          | 23 04      |

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|   | Total checks | \$4 492 86       |
| Pd) Settle, George T. Librarian Pay Roll            |              | <u>4 372 70</u>  |
|   |              | \$8 865 56       |
| Pd) Louisville Trust Co. Bills Payable and Interest |              | <u>29 410 29</u> |
|   | TOTAL-----   | \$38 275 85      |

The credentials of Messrs. Powers and Bartholomew, certified to by legal authority for reappointment on the Board for four years beginning in April were received and ordered filed. The Librarian stated that he had notified Mr. Thalheimer and had enclosed a blank certificate but had had no reply. Mr. Thalheimer is out of the city. The letter from R. J. Harrison, the Mayor's Secretary, follows:

March 14, 1917

Mr. Geo. T. Settle,  
 Librarian, Louisville Free Public Library,  
 City.

My dear Sir:-

I beg to advise that Mayor Buschemeyer has re-appointed Prof. Bartholomew, Joshua D. Powers and Wm. Thalheimer as members of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library to serve for a term of four years.

Yours most respectfully,

(Signed) R. J. Harrison

Secretary

A petition signed by numerous residents of Anchorage asking for a library station was read. Upon motion this was referred to the Librarian and Library Committee with similar requests from the county for stations and school room collections.

The report of the Building Committee was made through Mr. O'Brien, chairman. The letter from the Board of Public Works in reference to the sewer for the Crescent Hill Branch was read to the Board for information and upon motion the matter was referred

to the Building Committee with power to act.

Upon motion of Dr. Hemphill, seconded by Mr. Herr, the matter in reference to the removal of dead trees at the Portland Branch Library was referred to the Building Committee with power to act.

Mr. Lee Cralle came before the Board at this time. Mr. Cralle offers to place fence on the line of his property to the south and west of library property, cost to be borne jointly by the Library Board and himself. According to a survey made for the library the apartment building on Mr. Cralle's property is beyond the library property line. Mr. Cralle claims that he has had this property surveyed by the Kentucky Title Company who guarantee his title and report that neither the foundation nor the building wall is beyond our property line. This matter at a previous meeting had been referred to the Building Committee and upon motion of Mr. O'Brien was again referred to the Building Committee with power to act.

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Apr. 11, 1917

Benjamin H. Young President

W. D. Bartholomew Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting April 11, 1917 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office  
with the Vice-president in the Chair

Present: Young, Powell, Hemphill, Thalheimer, Ossmann, Herr,  
Ray, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The certificate of Mr. Thalheimer signed by Judge Thomas R.  
Gordon was presented and ordered filed.

A letter from the Young Men's Hebrew Association signed by  
Philip D. Bookstaber, superintendent, thanking the Library Board  
for establishing a station at the Y. M. H. A. and for their interest  
in the Association was read. Upon motion this was approved.

A petition signed by residents of St. Matthews asking for a  
library station was read. Upon motion this was referred to the  
Librarian and Library Committee with similar requests from the  
County for stations and school room collections.

The letter from Miss Mary Eileen Ahern, Editor, Public Libraries,  
asking that the Children's Department observe May 18 as International  
Peace Day together with the Librarian's reply to same, were read. It  
was moved that the library should not observe this day because of the  
state of war in this country at present.

The petition and protest from citizens of Cherokee Road in refer-  
ence to the erection of an automobile oiling and gas filling station  
was received, and the Board unanimously joined with the citizens in  
protesting against the same. This station was to be located at  
900 Cherokee Road.

The report to the Library Committee was considered item by item:

The typewritten copy for a new edition of rules governing the  
circulation of books, which was submitted at the last meeting and  
referred to the Library Committee, was approved and ordered to record

in the minutes. The Librarian was authorized to have copies printed of the same.

#### RULES FOR LENDING BOOKS FOR HOME USE

**USE OF THE LIBRARY** The Reading and Reference rooms of the Main library and Branch libraries are open and free to the public. Books are free to be used in the buildings but the following rules govern books taken out for home reading.

**RESIDENTS OF LOUISVILLE** Any resident or taxpayer of Louisville is entitled to borrow books for home use by signing the proper application card and receiving borrower's cards.

- a) The ADULT APPLICATION CARD must be endorsed by a resident of Louisville whose name appears in the current issue of the City Directory.
- b) The JUVENILE APPLICATION CARD, for children under high school age, must be endorsed by parent or guardian and signed by school teacher. These names must appear in the current issue of the City Directory.

**RESIDENTS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY** Any resident or taxpayer of Jefferson County outside of Louisville is entitled to borrow books for home use so long as Jefferson County makes an appropriation for library purposes accepted by the Board of Trustees and by signing the proper application card and receiving borrower's cards.

- a) The ADULT APPLICATION CARD must be endorsed by someone whose name appears in the current issue of the City Directory if possible, otherwise by a taxpayer of Jefferson County.
  - b) The JUVENILE APPLICATION CARD, for children under high school age, must be endorsed by parent or guardian and signed by school teacher.
- In addition to addresses, R. F. D. Nos. must be given.

**SPECIAL BORROWERS** Non-residents are entitled to borrow books for home use after signing the proper application card:

- a) **NON-RESIDENTS** Any non-resident endorsed by a taxpayer of Louisville may borrow books for home use upon payment cash in advance, of one dollar (\$1.00) for three months or two dollars (\$2.00) for one year. If the books go out of the city express charges must be paid both ways.
- b) **TEMPORARY RESIDENTS** Any temporary resident attending school in the city may borrow books to be used out of the building upon the guarantee of a taxpayer of Louisville. This guarantee will be accepted instead of the fee.
- c) **CASH DEPOSIT BORROWERS** Any temporary resident may borrow books by making a deposit in cash to the full value of the books taken out. No deposit for less than two dollars (\$2.00) will be taken and no money refunded until all books have been returned. The permanent home address and temporary city address must be given when the application is made.



**GUARANTORS** The guarantor for special privileges for either non-resident or temporary resident must sign application card at the library in the presence of an assistant. The guarantor must be identified if not known by the assistant, and agree to be responsible for books lost or damaged and all fines that may accrue.

**BORROWER'S CARDS** On presentation of a properly filled and endorsed application card, borrower's cards may be had at once at the Main library and after forty-eight hours at the Branch libraries. Borrowers must re-register at the expiration of five years when new cards will be issued.

- a) Borrower's cards must always be presented when books are taken out and returned.
- b) Borrower's cards may be used at the Main library, at the Branch libraries or at the stations where library books are circulated, but books must always be returned to the point from which they are taken out.
- c) Immediate notice of change of address must be given at the Library.
- d) The person in whose name the borrower's card is issued is responsible for all books drawn and for all charges against the card.

Borrowers are expected when returning books to report at the desk any mutilation, pencil marking, underlining and defacing of any sort found, as the last borrower will be held responsible.

**LOST BORROWER'S CARDS** When borrower's cards are lost, the card or cards may be replaced immediately upon payment of five cents for one or both cards or without charge at the expiration of seven days.

- a) Lost cards are void and if found must be returned to the library.
- b) If the lost card is used by another person, the borrower whose name appears on the card continues to be responsible for all books drawn and for charges against it.

**BOOK PRIVILEGES** The following privileges are granted to borrowers:

- a) Two volumes may be drawn on an adult fiction card only one of which may be a 7 day book.
- b) Five or more volumes of non-fiction may be drawn on an adult non-fiction card provided that in taking several books on one subject the shelves be not depleted.
- c) In addition, one magazine may be drawn on both adult fiction and non-fiction cards on which books are charged.
- d) Two volumes, one magazine and not more than five pictures may be taken from the Children's room on juvenile borrower's card.
- e) Books may be kept fourteen days and renewed once for an additional fourteen days except when date slip in back of book is marked 7 days and in back of magazine 4 days.
- f) Books marked 7 days and magazines marked 4 days may be kept seven and four days and cannot be renewed.

Books and magazines may not be returned on the same day on which they are taken out.

**SPECIAL PRIVILEGES** Special privileges will be granted to readers who

wish to draw additional material for study not to interfere with the needs of other readers. This will be granted upon application to Heads of departments or Branch librarians.

**TEACHERS' CARD** A special card is issued to teachers for use in school work. This card may be used in the Teachers' room at the Main library or at the Branch libraries.

**SUMMER PRIVILEGES** Borrowers leaving the city for vacation beginning June 1, may take with them a number of books not to exceed six volumes of fiction and ten volumes of non-fiction and may retain them until September 15 without renewal and without their being subject to fines.

- a) The Library retains the right to deny this privilege for any book or class of books which may be in great demand.
- b) The Library reserves the right in case of urgent need to recall such books after they have been out more than twenty-eight days, and the borrower must prepay charges for return.
- c) Books must be charged on borrower's cards with the statement that they are desired on summer privilege.
- d) The borrower's summer address must be given at the time the books are taken out.
- e) No 7 day books or current magazines may be taken under these privileges.

**DUPLICATE PAY COLLECTION** The Duplicate Pay Collection at the Main library includes only titles which are also in the collection for free circulation at the Main library and Branch libraries. Each book is credited with the amount it earns and as soon as it has paid for itself it is transferred to the free circulation collection.

- a) It may be used by anyone who has borrower's cards.
- b) The books are charged to the borrower's card number and may be taken in addition to other books drawn on cards.
- c) The charge is five cents for each book for seven days or any part thereof.
- d) For any additional time after seven days, the charge is two cents for each day.
- e) Payment must be made upon return of the book.
- f) Not more than five books may be drawn at a time.

**RENEWING BOOKS** All books except 7 day books and magazines may be renewed for an additional fourteen days. Renewals will be received by telephone, mail or on application at the Library. If renewed by telephone or mail, the following questions must be answered:

Who is the author?  
 What is the title?  
 What is the call number?  
 What is your borrower's card number?  
 When is the book due?

If renewed by telephone the borrower will be given a renewal number which must be used when the books are returned. The Library is not responsible for the non-delivery of renewal requests by mail.

**FINES** A fine of two cents will be charged for each day a book is kept over time, not including Sundays and legal holidays.

- a) The books if not renewed, must be returned on or before the last date stamped on date slip in back of book and on borrower's card.
- b) No book may be borrowed while fines or damages are unpaid.
- c) Injuries to books beyond reasonable wear must be made good by borrower.
- d) If one or more volumes of a set are lost or damaged the borrower is held responsible for the set unless the lost or damaged volumes can be replaced.

The owner of borrower's cards is held responsible for use of cards and must pay for all books lost or damaged and all fines due on books charged on cards.

**FINE NOTICES** Post card fine notice will be sent after a book has been kept three days over time and second post card notice four days later. A third notice will be sent by special messenger seven days after the second. The cost of messenger, twenty-five cents, must be paid in addition to fines. The Library is not responsible for the non-delivery of fine notices by mail.

**CONTAGIOUS DISEASE** In case of contagious disease in any house in which there is at that time a library book, prompt notice must be sent to the Library and instructions will be given as to the disposal of the book.

**RESERVING BOOKS** Non-fiction may be reserved for borrowers by the payment of one cent for post card notice. Requests for reserves will be received at the Main library and Branch Libraries in person or by telephone or mail.

- a) The cost of post card notice, one cent, for book reserved by mail or telephone will be collected when the borrower calls for the book.
- b) When the book comes in, the post card notices will be mailed in the order of application.
- c) The book will be held for the borrower forty-eight hours.
- d) The borrower's card must be presented with the post card in order to take out the book reserved.
- e) Fiction and current magazines cannot be reserved.

**REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONS** Suggestions for books to be added to the Library are encouraged and all requests will be considered. Readers are asked to fill out order cards kept at the delivery desk for the purpose. Give author and title of the book desired together with the name and address of the reader making the request. If the book suggested is non-fiction and the borrower so desires, a post card reserve notice will be mailed and the book held for forty-eight hours. One cent will be collected for the post card notice when the borrower calls for the book. If the book is not purchased the reader will be notified and attention called to other material on the subject in the Library.

**BOOKS FOR THE BLIND** Books in embossed type for the blind are loaned free of all cost to any blind person. Such books are carried

free by mail in or out of the city and may be returned free by using the printed label enclosed in each book. These books may be kept twenty-eight days. If wanted longer, notify the Library three days before the time has expired and unless wanted by another reader, they will be renewed for an additional fourteen days.

The printed list of books in the Library for the blind with rules for lending, and post card application, will be mailed upon request.

**SALE OF LIBRARY BOOKS** Individuals and dealers are warned not to buy books offered for sale bearing library marks. Such books are the property of the Library. Please hold them and notify the Library. The Library Board will prosecute all offenders.

**MUSEUM** The Museum at the Main library contains much historical material and many valuable curios. This includes the Troost, Shreve Memorial, Jefferson Institute of Arts and Sciences and Polytechnic Society collections together with other material given by individuals. It is open and free to the public. The material cannot be removed from the cases or loaned out of the building without permission of the Library Board granted at a regular monthly meeting.

**ART ROOM** There is a room set aside at the Main library for art exhibits and displays of school and club work, which are free and open to the public. Class rooms at the Branch libraries are available for the same purpose. The rooms may not be used for the exhibit of articles for sale.

**PAINTINGS AND STATUARY** The Library has a splendid collection of paintings and statuary. This material cannot be loaned or taken from the building without permission of the Library Board granted at a regular monthly meeting.

**MEETINGS IN THE LIBRARY** The assembly and class rooms at the Main library and Branch libraries may be used for gatherings which are free and open to the public, and which are non-political, non-sectarian and which have literary tendencies encouraging the use of books. The endorsement of political parties or candidates for any position or office is prohibited.

**APPRENTICE CLASS** The Library conducts an apprentice class for those who desire to enter library service. The class is limited to twelve, two of whom may be from out of the city having definite connections with Kentucky libraries. The examination to enter the class is held annually in June. The applicant must be a resident of Louisville over eighteen and under thirty-five years of age, with an education equivalent to a full four year's high school course. Members of the class who pass a satisfactory examination are placed on the eligible list for positions as they occur, but no positions are guaranteed. There are no charges incurred and the Library does not pay for any service during the class period.

**STAFF** Appointments to positions in library service are made from the eligible list of the Apprentice class. Otherwise the applicant must have a certificate from a library school of recognized standing or have a satisfactory recommendation

showing not less than three years creditable service in a well organized library.

Promotions are made on merit only.

**GIFTS** Acknowledgment is made of all gifts to the Library and Museum. A special book plate is placed in books and a label on museum material, giving the name of the donor and a permanent record is made.

**KENTUCKIANA** The Library desires to build up a complete collection of Kentuckiana in books and museum material. Friends of the Library are asked to cooperate by furnishing material they may have for this collection, books published in Kentucky, on Kentucky and written by Kentuckians.

**BRANCH LIBRARIES AND STATIONS** Rules governing the use of books at the Main library are in force at the Branch libraries and stations. Books not owned by the Branch libraries or stations may be borrowed from the Main library except recent or current, popular fiction.

**COLORED BRANCHES** The Western and Eastern Colored branches have been organized exclusively for colored people. The Reading and Reference rooms are open and free to all colored citizens. Any colored resident or taxpayer of Louisville is entitled to borrow books from these branches for home use by signing the proper application card and receiving borrower's cards.

Any colored resident or taxpayer of Jefferson County is entitled to borrow books for home use from the Colored branches so long as Jefferson County makes an appropriation for library purposes accepted by the Board of Trustees and by signing the proper application card and receiving borrower's cards.

Books in one branch may be borrowed for readers at the other branch.

All foregoing rules governing the Library are in force at the Colored branches.

The letter from F. E. Aspinwall of LaGrange, Ky. in which he offered as a gift to the library a homograde thermometer and some volumes, and museum material as a loan, was read. Upon motion the gifts were accepted and the Secretary was instructed to write Dr. Aspinwall asking that he give the museum material to the library. This was approved.

The recommendation that the following members of the staff be granted an increase in salary of \$5.00 each per month was approved:

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| Anna Coldewey    | Ruth Theobald     |
| Alice F. Gilmore | Sarah A. Dreher   |
| Maude M. Schon   | Mrs. M. D. Miller |
| Laura M. Fay     |                   |

These increases are under the library schedule and were included

in the budget of salaries for the year.

The bills for the month after having been audited by the Library Committee, were approved and ordered paid:

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| Abell Elevator Co.                    | \$20 50 |
| American Book Co.                     | 28 55   |
| American Civics Association           | 5 00    |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.         | 301 77  |
| American Printing House for the blind | 9 00    |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                 | 10 75   |
| Arctic Ice Co.                        | 5 60    |
| Atlas Coal Co.                        | 153 73  |
| Becker, Vernon W.                     | 1 55    |
| Boston Book Co.                       | 8 50    |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                     | 20 40   |
| Bowman, Hite D.                       | 17 35   |
| Brentano's                            | 1 33    |
| Browder & Hoskins                     | 4 46    |
| Bush-Krebs Co.                        | 9 16    |
| Bywater Bros.                         | 3 20    |
| Caron Directory Co.                   | 70 40   |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                  | 3 60    |
| Clark, A. S.                          | 6 00    |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.  | 28 61   |
| Cumulative Digest Corporation         | 5 00    |
| Dodd, Mead & Co., Inc.                | 228 00  |
| Duncan & Sons, T. B.                  | 2 00    |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                   | 7 50    |
| Ewing Sons, D. H.                     | 6 75    |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                   | 10 00   |
| Franklin Printing Co., Inc.           | 37 85   |
| Frey Planing Mill Co., Inc.           | 15 50   |
| Fuller Ink Co., Inc.                  | 7 68    |
| Gaylord Bros.                         | 105 51  |
| Greenwell, Geo.                       | 3 05    |
| Gross, Parsons & Hambleton            | 12 35   |
| Gulf Refining Co.                     | 26 03   |
| Guntermann, Bertha                    | 6 03    |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff           | 8 35    |
| International Magazine Co.            | 1 80    |
| Jeunesse, R.                          | 42 25   |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                    | 496 41  |
| Kendrick, William                     | 14 00   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                | 283 00  |
| Kirchdorfer, J. C.                    | 13 65   |
| Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.           | 6 08    |
| Lemcke & Buechner                     | 5 90    |
| Letters & Arts Publishing Co.         | 3 75    |
| Levy Bros.                            | 1 25    |
| Library Bureau                        | 132 55  |
| Longman's Green & Co.                 | 26 31   |
| Long's Towel Supply                   | 8 00    |
| Louisville Courier Journal Co.        | 2 10    |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.         | 114 75  |
| Louisville Grocery Co.                | 1 00    |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.         | 105 75  |
| Louisville Motor Repair Co.           | 2 40    |
| Louisville Paper Co.                  | 4 56    |

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| Louisville Towel Supply Co.          | \$9 15   |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                 | 78 74    |
| McDevitt Wilson, Inc.                | 5 00     |
| Mansfield & Sons, R.                 | 597 50   |
| Mayes Printing Co.                   | 7 50     |
| Morton & Co., John P.                | 147 30   |
| National Tax Association             | 3 00     |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.              | 3 00     |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                 | 3 50     |
| Pittsburg Water Heater Co.           | 1 10     |
| Poor's Manual Company                | 10 00    |
| Prang Company                        | 9 89     |
| Quick Tire Service                   | 5 19     |
| Ramser Sons, Geo.                    | 2 00     |
| Remington Typewriter Co.             | 4 25     |
| Sampey, John R.                      | 3 15     |
| Settle, George T., Libn.             | 87 90    |
| Smith & Dugan                        | 4 50     |
| Southern Sociological Congress       | 3 00     |
| Standard Gas Station                 | 6 85     |
| Standard Printing Co.                | 25 65    |
| Stechert & Co., G. E.                | 8 25     |
| Stewart Co., Inc., W. K.             | 1202 15  |
| Stilz, Henry G.                      | 1 40     |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.            | 16 79    |
| Typewriter Exchange                  | 1 00     |
| Van Nostrand Co., D.                 | 24 43    |
| Veeder Mfg. Co.                      | 4 11     |
| Veeneman, Mrs. E. J.                 | 5 00     |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                   | 2 74     |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.  | 521 95   |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.          | 3 00     |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                    | 1 25     |
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|                                      | 5 266 81 |
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co. Repairs    | 1 000 00 |
| Pd) Schmitt, Adolph "                | 25 00    |
| Pd) Settle, George T. Libn. Pay Roll | 4 203 15 |
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TOTAL-----\$10 494 96

The Librarian's report was read and approved. It showed an increase in circulation of 11,023 over March 1916, the total being 124,723 volumes. The circulation for this month is the largest in the history of the library, and includes 55,691 books read by children and 69,032 by adults. The report showed that 3,580 reference topics were looked up at the Main library, 4,466 at the branches, and 3,301 at the high and normal schools, a total of 11,347, which is an increase of 1,836 over the same month last year.

The Treasurer's report through Mr. Herr was submitted and ordered to be filed. The report showed a cash balance April 1 of \$10,826.47

and stated that \$3,000. from rent Public Library building was to be added to this, making a total of \$13,826.47.

Mr. Thalheimer moved that \$10. be allowed for the purchase of new United States flags for the use of the Main library. Upon motion the Librarian and Mr. Thalheimer were appointed a committee to purchase suitable flags, the amount to be expended to be left with them. This was approved.

The election of officers was then entered into with the following result:

|                     |                           |
|---------------------|---------------------------|
| President           | Mayor John H. Buschemeyer |
| Vice president      | General Bennett H. Young  |
| Secretary           | Prof. W. H. Bartholomew   |
| Assistant Secretary | George T. Settle          |
| Treasurer           | Louisville Trust Co.      |

Dr. Hemphill moved that the sum of \$200.00 a year be allowed to Professor W. H. Bartholomew for his services as secretary to the Board to be payable monthly. This was approved.

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

May 9 1917

Bennett H. Young President  
W. H. Bartholomew Secretary



## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting May 9, 1917 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Powers, Mullins, Powell, Ossmann, Thalheimer, Barker, Ray, Herr, O'Brien, Hemphill, Bartholomew and Settle.

In the absence of the president and vice-president, upon motion, Col. Powers presided.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

It was reported that a license had been asked for to open a beer garden across the street from the Western Colored Branch Library in rear of the building on the corner of Tenth and Chestnut Streets. Dr. Powell moved that the Secretary and the Librarian make an appointment with the Board of Public Works to protest against the same. This was approved.

The matter of placing a flag pole in front of the Main building was upon motion of Mr. Barker referred to Messrs. Thalheimer and Settle with power to erect same.

The following communication was received from Mayor John H. Buschemeyer, president, naming standing committees for the year:

Louisville, Ky.  
April 19, 1917

Mr. Geo. T. Settle,  
Librarian, Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Settle:-

I am in receipt of your communication of April 17th advising me as to the election of the officers of your Board for the ensuing year, and having again been honored with the Presidency of your Board it becomes necessary for me to appoint, after the April meeting, committees for the ensuing year. It is my pleasure to name the following:

Building Committee  
E. J. O'Brien, Chairman  
Edgar Y. Mullins                      Wm. Thalheimer  
Philip Ossmann

Finance Committee  
 Thos. A. Barker, Chairman  
 Charles R. Hemphill      Hardin H. Herr  
 J. Morrison Ray

Library Committee  
 Bennett H. Young, Chairman  
 W. H. Bartholomew      Joshua D. Powers  
 Edward L. Powell

Executive Committee  
 Bennett H. Young, Chairman  
 Edward J. O'Brien      Thomas A. Barker

Dr. Hemphill was excused at this time.

Mr. Barker offered the following resolution which, upon motion of Mr. Bartholomew, was approved:

RESOLVED, That a committee of three be appointed by the Chair to investigate and report in writing at the June meeting on the advisability and legality of paying a salary to an officer who is a trustee.

Mr. Thomas A. Barker, Dr. E. L. Powell and General Bennett H. Young were appointed as the committee.

The Treasurer's report was read and ordered filed. This showed a cash balance May 1 of \$6,454.76 and stated that \$3,000. was to be added from rent Public Library building due on or before May 10, making a total of \$9,453.76.

The Librarian's report was read and approved. It showed an increase along all lines of work. The circulation was 102,944 volumes, an increase of 8,389 over April 1916. This included 45,123 books read by children and 57,821 by adults. The report showed that 7,935 reference topics were looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 1,163 over the same month last year.

The report of the Library Committee was next considered.

The offer of Dr. J. Menefee of Alvin, Texas to loan to the Library a painting by Henry R. Poore, "The New Year", size  $3\frac{1}{2}$  by 5 feet, was accepted.

The bills for the month having been audited by the Library

Committee, were approved and ordered paid:

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| Abell Elevator Co.                         | 35  | 40 |
| American Educational Co.                   | 4   | 00 |
| Arctic Ice Co.                             | 10  | 40 |
| Atlas Coal Co.                             | 30  | 25 |
| Baptist Book Concern                       | 5   | 60 |
| Becker, Vernon W.                          | 1   | 50 |
| Bittner's Sons, G.                         | 19  | 75 |
| Board of Park Commissioners                | 63  | 25 |
| Bomar-Summers Hardware Co.                 | 1   | 21 |
| Boston Book Co.                            | 1   | 08 |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                          | 23  | 70 |
| Bowman, Hite D.                            | 34  | 45 |
| Brown, Henry Collins                       | 5   | 00 |
| Bywater Bros.                              | 9   | 45 |
| Campbell's Sons, B. J.                     | 19  | 82 |
| Central Paint & Roofing Co.                | 18  | 75 |
| Conkwright, Bessie Taul                    | 2   | 00 |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                      | 3   | 05 |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.       | 28  | 15 |
| Democrat Printing Co.                      | 3   | 76 |
| Dow Wire & Iron Works                      | 4   | 30 |
| Duncan & Sons, T. B.                       | 2   | 00 |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                        | 19  | 35 |
| Elm Tree Press                             | 2   | 00 |
| Ewing's Sons, D. H.                        | 6   | 25 |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                        | 31  | 30 |
| Figg Co., L. R.                            | 3   | 00 |
| Finck, Carl H.                             | 5   | 40 |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                      | 13  | 50 |
| Gulf Refining Co.                          | 12  | 03 |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept.)           | 8   | 25 |
| Heartman, Chas. Fred                       | 2   | 50 |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry                  | 1   | 50 |
| Hinds, Hayden & Eldredge                   | 1   | 10 |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff                | 5   | 35 |
| Hyatt Auto Repair Co.                      | 1   | 20 |
| Jeunesse, R.                               | 8   | 50 |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                         | 185 | 34 |
| Kentucky & Louisville Mutual Insurance Co. | 17  | 76 |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                     | 421 | 60 |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.              | 2   | 66 |
| Krausgill Piano Co.                        | 1   | 25 |
| Library Bureau                             | 207 | 18 |
| Lindsey, T. N.                             | 100 | 00 |
| Long's Towel Supply                        | 8   | 00 |
| Louisville Courier Journal Co.             | 1   | 90 |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.              | 114 | 07 |
| Louisville Motors Co.                      | 1   | 00 |
| Louisville Paper Co.                       | 4   | 05 |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                | 7   | 15 |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                       | 5   | 60 |
| Mayes Printing Co.                         | 19  | 65 |
| Missouri Book Co.                          | 1   | 15 |
| Morton & Co., John P.                      | 85  | 48 |
| Municipal Journal                          | 1   | 00 |
| Music Teachers National Association        | 1   | 60 |
| National Short Ballot Organization         | 1   | 80 |
| Newhall, Daniel H.                         | 1   | 75 |

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| Newman, H. W.                                | \$10 00              |
| Office Equipment Co.                         | 38 40                |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                         | 6 07                 |
| Pell & Bro., Wm. B.                          | 17 25                |
| Quick Tire Service                           | 17 70                |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                          | 224 55               |
| Robinson, Norton & Co., J. C.                | 16 01                |
| Rose, W. A.                                  | 6 00                 |
| Settle, George T. Librarian Petty Cash       | 84 01                |
| Skilton Ice Co.                              | 1 50                 |
| Slaughter, T. Grant                          | 30 00                |
| Standard Gas Station                         | 25 80                |
| Standard Printing Co.                        | 5 75                 |
| Stewart Co., Inc. W. K.                      | 532 91               |
| Stilz, Henry G.                              | 1 45                 |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.                    | 5 38                 |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                         | 5 00                 |
| Watts, Benj. B.                              | 13 10                |
| Wedekind, & Co., H.                          | 12 25                |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.          | 469 90               |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                            | 10 00                |
| Winslow, Helen M.                            | 2 00                 |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                           | 16 76                |
| Wood, Stubbs & Co.                           | 2 00                 |
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|  | \$3 191 88           |
| Pd) Settle, George T. Librarian,<br>Pay Roll | <u>4 227 30</u>      |
|  | 7 419 18             |
| Pd) Anderson & Co., A. J.                    | 25 66                |
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co.                    | 500 00               |
| Pd) Pell & Bro., W. B.                       | 200 00               |
| Pd) Pell & Bro., W. B.                       | 200 00               |
| Pd) Strassel Co., J. L.                      | 500 00               |
| Pd) Strassel Co., J. L.                      | <u>500 00</u>        |
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|  | TOTAL-----\$9 344 84 |

Dr. Ray was excused at this time.

The matter in reference to the erection of a fence at the Highland Branch Library was brought before the Board for action by Mr. E. J. O'Brien, Chairman of the Building Committee. Mr. O'Brien reported that the Building Committee had agreed to Mr. Cralle's proposition to employ a surveyor to jointly make a survey of this property with a surveyor Mr. Cralle might employ. This survey signed by Ford of Stonestreet and Ford, representing the Library, and Merritt Drane, representing Mr. Cralle, shows that the foundation of the apartment house erected by Mr. Cralle is one and one half inches ( $1\frac{1}{2}$ " ) on library property but that the wall proper

is one inch (1") off of library property. Mr. Settle stated that Mr. Cralle had intimated that if this building was on library property he wanted to have it settled and paid for. After discussion, Dr. Powell moved that this Board agree to put up a fence jointly with Mr. Cralle and to bear one half the expense, provided Mr. Cralle pays for the property belonging to us (1½"). Upon this motion the yeas and nays were called for with the following result: Yeas: Mullins, Thalheimer, Powell, Powers, Bartholomew. Nays: O'Brien, Barker, Herr, Ossmann. Col. Powers declared the motion was approved.

The matter in reference to Kaufman-Straus Co.'s bill for \$82.94 for repairs on well, part of sewerage system, was taken up, and, upon motion of Mr. Barker, the bill ordered not paid. The same was carried and prevailed. Mr. O'Brien, Chairman of the Building Committee, stated that he had asked General Young, Mr. Barker and Mr. Herr for an opinion on the Library's liability under the lease to pay for these repairs and any other repairs on the building except the roof, down spouts and front pavement. Mr. O'Brien included Mr. Herr's and Mr. Barker's opinions in his report for record in the minutes.

April 21, 1917

Mr. George T. Settle,  
% Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

You propounded to me the following question:

Under the lease between the Public Library and the Kaufman-Straus Company, is the Louisville Free Public Library the grantee of the Louisville Public Library, liable for the repairs of work done to the sewer connection vault, located in the engine room in the basement of the building, which was crumbling away beneath the building on account of the constant dripping of water from the different parts of the house, being below the sewer level and being part of the sewer connection and on the property belonging to the Louisville Free Public Library on Fourth Street, between Walnut and Green Streets, which is occupied by the Kaufman-Straus Company?

It seems to me that a question of this kind is constantly before the Board of Library Trustees for discussion. The Board ruled that the landlord was not in any manner bound to make repairs on the water tank on the roof of the building although the same was in a leaking condition. For the same reason the Board ruled that they would not pay bills for repairs on the pump of the building. The Board's ruling in regard to these items should control the instant matter. Clearly the landlord is not liable for these repairs.

Independent of any written agreement a landlord is not required to make any repairs to a building. King vs Cassell, 150 Ky. 537. The language of the lease between the parties bearing on this subject is as under:

The party of the second part (the tenant) is to take good care of the property and make all repairs necessary for its proper preservation and use, except that said first party (the landlord) shall keep the roof and the side walks in front of such building in repair, but said first party shall be put to no other expense whatever for the repair, maintenance, or operation of said building.

The only repairs for which the landlord is liable are these:

To keep the roof in good condition.  
To keep the side walk in front of the building in good condition.

The sewer connection on the vault located in the engine room is not a part of either the roof or the building or part of the side walk in front of the building. The lease between the parties is certainly plain, unambiguous, and clear to the effect that the only repairs for which the lessor is liable is to keep the side walk in front of the building in good condition and to keep the roof in good condition.

The repairs in question are not covered by the terms of the lease. If there is any doubt as to who should pay for the repairs the doubt should be solved in favor of the landlord and against the tenant.

"As a lessor is under no general obligation to put or keep the demised premises (in repair) his covenants to do so are not to be enlarged beyond their fair intent." (24 Cyc., 1887)

"A lease stipulating that the tenant will make all necessary repairs, with certain specified exceptions, exempting the landlord from the duty of making all repairs other than those expressly excepted and which he there- by covenants to make." (24 Cyc., 1088).

Kaufman-Straus Company in their communication to you of April 17th make the assertion that the sewer connection vault located in the engine room in the basement is not a part of the building. This statement is eroneous. The word "building" necessarily embraces the foundation on which it rests and the sewer connection, if there be one, under the edifice is embraced in the word termed "building." See authorities cited in 9 C:J. page 683.

However, the lease does not use the word "building" when it stipulates what is to be kept in repair. The term used in the lease relating to the repairs is "property." Notice the language of the contract.

"The party of the second part is to take good care of the property and make all repairs necessary for its proper reservation."

There can be no ambiguity about this language. The first main rule and the foundation rule of construction of contracts is that the intent of the parties as expressed in the words they have used must govern. Lawson on Contracts section 393. Citizen's Life Insurance Co., vs Rutherford, 157 Ky. 820. The lessee by their own terms agree to take good care of the property and make all repairs necessary for its preservation and there is no way that they can be relieved from their obligation except by the payment of a valuable consideration to the Library Board. The members of the Board are Trustees for the public, and therefore are bound by the terms of the contract, unless it should be changed for a valuable consideration. If the board do not insist that the strict letter of the deed be complied with and should fail to observe the rule that the terms of the contract must be complied with their action would be null and void, as the trustees of an expressed trust can make no changes in a contract unless a consideration inures for the beneficiary.

On this subject see 28 Cyc. 682. The rule is there laid down that the contracts of a municipal body must be construed like those of an individual. The Court of Appeals have laid down the rule that if a tenant leases a building and there is nothing said about repairs and the landlord without any consideration agrees to repair the premises, that the agreement is null and void. Eblen vs Miller, 78 Ky. 371.

Hence, if the Board attempts to release Kaufman-Straus from the bills in question and pay the same, the action will be null and void as being without consideration and the successors of the present members could in a law suit recover the amount from the lessee.

THEREFORE, my opinion is: First that Kaufman-Straus Company under the lease are liable for the repairs in question.

Second, that the Library Board has no authority to pay these bills and thus thereby release Kaufman-Straus & Company from their liability for the repairs.

I am sending a copy of this to Mr. E. J. O'Brien,  
Chairman of the Building Committee.

Very truly,

(Signed) Hardin H. Herr

May 9, 1917

P. S. Since the above was written I have seen case of  
Bronner vs Walter 15 N.Y. App. Div. 205. In that  
case the Court held that a landlord was not bound  
to repair the roof of a demised building unless  
he covenants to do so and his mere promise sub-  
sequent to the lease to make repairs was without  
consideration.

H.H.H.

Following is Mr. Barker's opinion:

April  
Twenty-first  
Nineteen Seventeen

Mr. George T. Settle,  
Louisville Public Library,  
City.

My dear Sir:-

In the lease to Kaufman-Straus Company, it is  
provided in Stipulation #10, that lessee is to make all  
repairs for its proper preservation and use, except roof  
and front sidewalks, and this seems to me to be sufficient  
answer to your letter.

The lessee was evidently advised as to its  
rights when making lease, and should abide by its provisions.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Thos. A. Barker

Upon motion of Dr. Powell \$200.00 was set apart for en-  
tertainment of the A.L.A. The same was approved.

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

 President

 Secretary



## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting June 13, 1917 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Powers, Powell, Thalheimer, Mullins, Ray, Herr, Ossmann, Bartholomew and Settle.

Vice President Young in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was submitted by Mr. Herr and ordered filed. It showed a cash balance June 1 of \$1,579.36 and stated that \$3,000. was to be added from rent Public Library building due on or before June 10, making a total of \$4,579.36.

The Librarian's report was read by the Librarian and approved and ordered filed. It stated that the circulation for home use was 104,669 volumes, an increase of 10,788 volumes over last year. This included 45,846 books read by children and 58,823 by adults. The report showed that 7,204 reference topics were looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 235 over May 1916.

The Librarian stated that the contract for heat, light and power with the Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. would expire on November 21, 1917 and asked that a committee be appointed to take up the matter. Upon motion this was referred to the Building Committee to make recommendations to the Board.

The Librarian stated that the mortgage on the Public Library Building, Fourth Avenue, occupied by Kaufman-Straus Co., would expire June 1, 1918 and asked that a committee be appointed to take up the matter. Upon motion this was referred to the Finance Committee to make recommendations to the Board.

The Librarian stated that Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston and Mr. S. Thruston Ballard had spent over \$300.00 in bringing an expert from the East to arrange the Museum. Upon motion the Secretary was instructed

to write to these gentlemen and extend the thanks of the Board.

The Library Committee report was considered item by item:

The recommendation that Artie Lee Taylor be allowed three weeks vacation with pay was approved. She has been at home ill and counted it as her vacation in order not to lose her salary.

The recommendation that Marie E. Maloney be granted six months leave of absence without pay beginning July 23 was approved.

The recommendation that the residents of Oldham County just across the Jefferson County line near Prospect be allowed the use of the station in the Bank of Prospect was approved.

The recommendation that Jane J. Simpson be allowed three weeks vacation with pay was approved. She asked for leave of absence to September 1 without pay but asked to receive pay for the three weeks of her vacation. This is granted with the understanding that she will resign since she is to be married June 14.

The recommendation that the Librarian be allowed to make transfers or changes on the staff from departments to branches or branches to departments was approved.

The recommendation that the department names of the Main library be listed in the telephone directory as heretofore was approved.

The date for the annual examination for admission to the apprentice class preparing for service in the library which was set for June 15 in the Art Room at the Main library for white applicants and at the Western Colored Branch for colored applicants at 9 a.m. was approved.

The bills for the month having been audited by the Library Committee were approved and ordered paid:

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| American-Plate-Enamel Co. | \$54 00 |
| Atlas Coal Co.            | 22 00   |

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| Bowman, Hite D.                           | \$26 52     |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.      | 29 22       |
| Gulf Refining Co.                         | 3 16        |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.             | 102 59      |
| Quick Tire Service, Inc.                  | 25 80       |
| Settle, George T. Libn. Petty Cash        | 92 80       |
| Settle, George T. Libn. A.L.A.            | 160 00      |
| Snead Architectural Iron Works            | 90 00       |
| Standard Gas Station                      | 41 43       |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                      | 5 00        |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                        | 1 50        |
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| Pd) Settle, George T. Librarian, Pay Roll | 4 429 55    |
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| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co.                 | \$300 00    |
| Pd) Mutual Life Insurance Co. of New York | 7 750 00    |
| Pd) Pell & Bro., W. B.                    | 400 00      |
| Pd) Strassel Co., J. I.                   | 250 00      |
| Pd) Wood Co., Harry I.                    | 300 00      |
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| TOTAL-----                                | \$14 083 57 |

The Special Committee on Flag Raising made the following report which was approved:

June 13, 1917

To the Library Board:

The special committee appointed to erect a flag pole and prepare a program for flag raising at the Library reports:

We received bids from five firms and the contract was given to the Snead Architectural Iron Works for the erection of the flag pole, \$90. The exercises for flag raising were arranged for Monday, June 4, at 5 P. M.

Mayor Buschemeyer was asked to preside and we invited General John B. Castleman, General William B. Haldeman and General Bennett H. Young and the members of the Library Board to seats on the platform. General Haldeman, General Castleman were out of the city and we received word that they regretted that they could not be present and General Young telephoned that he would be out of town.

We had several hundred people and the affair was a huge success. The Mayor presided, William A. Colston, colonel of the First Regiment, delivered an address, and Lieutenant Briggs of the First Kentucky Regiment, recited "The Old Regime". Members of the First Kentucky Regiment and Band were also present.

The committee recommends that the Library Board

extend a vote of thanks to the Mayor, to Colonel Colston, to Lieutenant Briggs and to the First Regiment Band and soldiers, also to the Board of Safety for the officers who assisted us that day.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) Wm. Thalheimer

Chairman Special Committee

The recommendation of the committee that thanks be extended to those who took part was approved.

Mr. Thalheimer made a report in reference to electric wiring and placing of fixtures in the Main library in which he stated that the Chairman of the Building Committee with Mr. Ossmann and the Librarian took up the question of completing the work with the striking workmen. A committee representing the Union consisting of L. Voit (27 Kenyon Bldg.), H. W. Nashold, (27 Kenyon Bldg.) and J. B. Etchison, (125 N. Noble St., Indianapolis, Ind.) called on the Librarian and in view of the fact that the American Library Association will begin its meeting in a short time, June 21, they allowed the work to be completed. The recommendation that thanks be extended to the committee was approved.

The committee appointed to take up "the question of the advisability and legality of paying a salary to an officer who is a trustee" submitted a majority and minority report. Messrs. Young and Powell made a majority report in which they favored the payment of a salary to an officer of the Board who is a trustee, as follows:

To the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library:

The undersigned being a majority of the Committee appointed to consider the question of the legality and advisability of the action of the Board upon voting \$200.00 compensation for services of W. H. Bartholomew as Secretary of the Board, beg to report as follows:

Under the Kentucky Statutes 2101 B, subSection 3 in regard to the control of public libraries in cities of the first class, there is this provision:

"No salary or other compensation shall ever be paid to or received by such trustee for the performance

of the duties of his office."

Section 2801, Sub-section 4 provides in part as under:

"The Board shall at the first meeting after the selection of its members and annually thereafter select out of their number a President and Vice-President whose duties shall be prescribed by its rules and regulations and it may choose a Secretary and Treasurer and such other officers, agents and servants as it may deem proper and necessary, and may prescribe the duties required of them, fix their compensation and may remove its appointees at pleasure."

In the first place no member of the Board for acting as trustee can receive any compensation. Neither the President nor the Vice-president can receive any compensation for acting as President or Vice-president of the Board. But the Board can either choose one of its own members or select an outside person to act as its Secretary.

If a person other than a member of the Board were elected Secretary the Board could fix his compensation. Then the question resolves itself into this: Has the Board the power to elect one of their own members Secretary and allow compensation for services performed as Secretary and not as a member of the Board?

It seems to us that this proposition is plain. The Board has no power to impose the duties of Secretary upon one of its members, unless he voluntarily consents thereto without compensation, as the Statute contemplates the Secretary shall be paid for his services.

No additional duties can be imposed upon a public officer without compensation. The authorities are clear on this. In *Evans vs Trenton*, 24 N.J.L. 764 the Treasurer of the City held his office by appointment under the Common Council. The Council passed an ordinance authorizing the borrowing of \$20,000.00 upon certificates and it was made the duty of the Treasurer to sign these certificates as Treasurer and to redeem them when presented and to loan out the money thus borrowed on bonds and mortgages. The Treasurer claimed that he was entitled to receive compensation for the additional work required of him, which was not in the contemplation of the City ordinance creating his office. It was laid down as a rule that if a Public officer performed services by request, which was not a part of the duties of his office, and which could have been as appropriately performed by any other person, he should receive a proper remuneration.

A very important authority on this question is that of the *City of Niles vs Mizzy*, 33 Mich. 61. That case was decided by a Court composed of Cooley, Campbell, Graves and Marston. Cooley and Campbell both having national reputations. In that case Mizzy was a lawyer, and was Mayor of Niles and by virtue of that office he was one of the City Council. He was employed under a resolution of the City Council to appear and defend the City in a suit brought against it in the Federal Court at Detroit. He performed these professional services. A point was made that he could not receive compensation for these services because he was Mayor and

Councilman. The Supreme Court of Michigan held that as these were services outside of his duties as Mayor and Councilman he was entitled to compensation for them.

In *Converse vs United States*, 21 Howard 463, the Statute provides that:

"No collector.....shall ever receive more than \$400.00 annually exclusive of his compensation as collector.....and the fines and forfeitures allowed by law, which he may render in any office or capacity."

A United States collector was appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury to perform the duties of Superintendent of lights, and distributing agent for the City of Boston. The question in the case was whether he was entitled to any compensation for performing the duties pertaining to the latter office. The Supreme Court held that an act prohibiting an officer from receiving more than one salary could not by,

"fair interpretation be held to embrace an employment which has no affinity or connection either in its character or by law of usage with the line of his official duties and where the services should be performed is of a different character and for a different place."

In *United States vs Brindle* 110 U.S. 688, there was a Statute of the United States which provided as under:

"No person hereafter who holds or shall hold any office under the government of the United States, whose salary or annual compensation shall amount to the sum of Twenty-five Hundred Dollars shall receive compensation for discharging the duties of any other office."

Brindle was commissioner of public moneys for the District of Lands, subject to sale at LeCompton, Kansas. He was appointed special receiver and superintendent to dispose of lands belonging to the confederated tribes of Indians at Paoli, Kansas. The point was made that he was not entitled to any compensation for performing the latter trust. The Supreme Court held that his duties as trustee were of a different character and at a different place than those of the land office and that although he received Twenty-five Hundred Dollars from the land office he should be paid for the labor performed in connection with the trust. The Supreme Court held in both of the two cases cited that although an officer cannot receive more than a certain salary for services performed duties for the government foreign to the duties of his office, that he should receive a compensation therefor.

To the same effect as these cases vide *High vs State*, 10 Ohio Circuit Court, (N.S.) 182. In that case it was held that an officer who performed duties outside the regular duties of his office should be paid for his services.

The Kentucky authorities are in line with the case heretofore cited. They adopt the rule as laid down in *Abbott*

on Municipal Corporations, Volume II, Section 686 A, that where an officer or employee performs extra service outside of official duties and for which they have not affinity or connection and which do not interfere with his official duties he is entitled to compensation.

Thus, in Slaton vs Rogers, 128 Ky. 106, the County attorney performed services which were not imposed upon him as part of his regular duties of office under a contract with the Fiscal Court of his County. It was held that he was entitled to receive extra compensation for these services although there is a constitutional provision forbidding any officer from receiving an increase in salary after his election.

The same question was involved in Flowers vs Logan County, 138 Ky. 59 S.C. 127 S.W. 512. There Flowers, a Justice of the Peace performed services for Logan County, as road committee, Court House Committee, and Poor House Committee, and the question arose whether or not he could receive an increase of salary after his election as Justice of the Peace. The Court of Appeals held that as these services were not a part of the regular duties of the office of Justice of Peace that the allowance could be granted him.

The Kentucky Court of Appeals in the case of James vs Cammack 139 Ky. Reports 223 decided that if the General Assembly imposed additional duties on the Circuit Judge of the State, that they were entitled to receive additional compensation. Under the Constitution the salary of Circuit Judges could not be increased during that term. The Legislature passed an act requiring all Circuit Judges to act as special judges and allowed each of them \$1200.00 for these services. The Court of Appeals sustained the constitutionality of this provision and said that the judges were entitled to the extra \$1200.00.

The Statutes which were considered says the Secretary shall receive such compensation as the Board may think proper for his services. A trustee acting as simply trustee can receive no compensation for any services he may render but should the Board of Trustees elect him Secretary and require him to perform the duties of that office it is not only lawful but is right that he should receive compensation for such services.

If an officer that received compensation for service performed is entitled to compensation for service he performed not connected with his office, certainly an officer that received no salary is entitled to compensation for services he performed as an officer or employee in no way connected with the duties of his official position.

If we had any doubt on this subject we might invoke the doctrine of construction by this Board but we deem it unnecessary. We are all bound by the decisions of the Kentucky Court of Appeals.

Further illustrating this point, recently the Kentucky Legislature passed an act providing for the Tax Commission.

The Auditor of the States was named as a member of this Commission and the Legislature added \$600.00 to his salary for the extra service he was required to perform as a member of the Tax Commission. This action of the Legislature is conclusive in our judgment of the principles involved in this matter. Professor Bartholomew had as Secretary nothing on earth to do with the voting of this compensation. He did not even know that a motion would be made for the salary fixed. Your Committee well knows that Prof. Bartholomew does perform services that require time, labor and intelligence and the library has no right to put upon him these additional duties and say because he is Trustee that he shall perform them without any compensation whatever. The 235th Section of the Constitution of Kentucky says "The salaries of public officers shall not be changed during the term to which they are elected." If the Legislature saw fit to impose additional duties on the Auditor and allow him \$600. why should the Louisville Free Public Library say that a man must perform the duties of Secretary in addition to performing the duties of Trustee and receive no compensation for it? All the members of the Board of Trustees are glad to perform any duties which may require them as Trustee. This matter will always be under the control of wise, intelligent and faithful trustees and there is nothing either in principles or policy or law which prevents Prof. Bartholomew from receiving a proper compensation for his services as Secretary of the Board and certainly nobody will say that \$200.00 is an exorbitant allowance for the work he performs.

We have not discussed this matter in the newspapers because we did not consider it in keeping with corporate proprieties to have interviews in newspapers about what we would do as members of Committee in making report to the Board of Trustees which appointed us to investigate this matter.

(Signed) Bennett H. Young  
(Signed) E. L. Powell

Mr. Barker made a minority report as follows:

June 12, 1917

Trustees of Louisville Free Public Library,  
City.

Gentlemen:-

At the last meeting a resolution was adopted providing for the appointment of a Committee "to investigate and report upon the advisability and legality of paying a salary to an Officer who is a trustee."

The reasons for the resolution, as you will recall, were as follows:-

At the April meeting, and at the time of the election of officers to serve for the ensuing year, one of the trustees was re-elected Secretary and a salary of \$200.00 per year was voted to him by the members present.



Some of us who were unable to attend the April meeting had not investigated the question and at our request the resolution above referred to was adopted.

General Bennett H. Young, Dr. E. L. Powell and Thos. A. Barker were appointed a Committee to make the investigation and report at the June meeting.

Our Committee met and considered the question, but unfortunately we were unable to agree upon any point involved. General Young and Dr. Powell will present a report favoring the payment of the salary, and while it is a most disagreeable duty, yet I feel that the importance of the matter, though the amount involved is small, makes it absolutely necessary that I present in writing my opinion of the legality and advisability of paying a salary to a trustee for any duty imposed upon him.

I am exceedingly sorry that a business engagement out of the City will prevent my attendance at meeting and if the two reports can be received and laid over for discussion at the July meeting, I shall be very much obliged. Or, if you prefer, a special Meeting for some day later in the week can be arranged and we can then discuss this question from every view point.

It seems very clear to me:-

(1). That the act creating the Louisville Free Public Library, Section 2801 B, does not authorize the payment of any compensation.

(2). That the offices of Trustee and Secretary, with compensation, are incompatible.

(3). Even if payment of compensation was authorized, no funds are available.

(4). As a matter of policy and one of grave importance to the future of the Library, we should go very slow in establishing such precedents.

These four reasons I shall consider very briefly, hoping that I may have an opportunity of presenting a more extended argument at a later meeting, when the question may be considered by the entire membership and voted upon after free and full discussion.

I

It is provided by the Section of Kentucky Statutes above referred to:-

"No salary or other compensation shall ever be paid to or received by such trustee for the performance of the duties of his office."

Since the establishment of the Board, no compensation has ever been paid to a Secretary. He has always been elected at

the time of the annual election and the duties of his office have always been considered a part of the duties of a trustee. The greater portion of his work, such as transcribing the minutes, notifying committees &c. has always been performed by a paid employee of the Library.

Therefore, it seems to me that if the duties, all at once, have become so burdensome and difficult of performance as to require compensation, that we ought to include the work of the Secretary in that of the Librarian and elect or appoint him to that office. .

The Librarian attends every meeting, is fully conversant with all the affairs of the institution and necessarily performs the work of the Secretary in every way, except that of reading the minutes at each monthly meeting and taking notes of what transpires.

It is, therefore, perfectly clear that the trustees have always construed the law as meaning that the clause prohibiting the payment of compensation to a trustee, likewise embraced the duties imposed upon the trustee of the Board.

The President and Vice President, it is contended, cannot receive any compensation because being trustees, when elected to office and duties imposed, such duties become incidental to and a part of the duties of the trustee. I think this construction is absolutely correct and that in the same manner as it is applicable to the offices of President and Vice President it applies to the trustee who is elected to or appointed to the office of Secretary.

The Section above referred to, further provides:-

"The Board shall, at the first meeting after the selection of its members and annually thereafter, elect out of their number a President and Vice President, whose duties shall be prescribed by its rules and regulations and it may choose a Secretary and Treasurer and such other Officers, agents and servants as it may deem proper and necessary and may prescribe the duties required of them, fix their compensation and may remove its appointees at pleasure."

Undoubtedly, under this provision, the Board would have the right to elect or appoint some one, not a trustee and pay compensation for the services rendered.

In that event, a trustee would not be receiving compensation.

Evidently the purpose in inserting this provision was to keep the Free Public Library absolutely out of politics, where it has remained to this good day, and not to hold out to any trustee the hope of any financial reward for duties voluntarily assumed. Many cases throughout the United States holding that certain officers were entitled to compensation will be relied upon to sustain the payment of this salary, but not in a single case has there been a Statute

expressly forbidding the payment of compensation.

Every one of these cases is based upon the theory that where an officer performs some service outside of official duties and where there is no such close connection between the office and extra duties performed, as there is between Secretary and Trustee, that he is entitled to compensation.

The leading case in Kentucky relied upon to sustain the position favoring payment of salary is that of James vs. Gammack, 139 Ky., 223, and cases therein cited.

This action was to test the constitutionality of the act giving Circuit Judges additional compensation. The Court in substance held that the legislature had the right to decide upon a way for providing special Judges, which would best subserve public interest.

To make this case or any other Ky. case sustain the view that this Board has the legal right to pay compensation to a trustee, requires a construction which I do not believe the facts warrant.

## II

Section 165 of the Constitution provides:-

"No person shall, at the same time be an officer of any County, City, Town, or other municipality and an employee thereof; and no person shall at the same time fill two municipal offices, either in same or different municipalities."

With the payment of a salary the Secretary becomes an employee and without making any extended argument I am unable to see by what right a trustee, an officer appointed by the Mayor, can, at the same time receive compensation as an employee, and especially so, of the Board which creates the compensation.

## III

This same Statute above referred to provides:-

"Except for the purpose of erecting the library building, the board of trustees shall not incur liabilities for any current year in excess of its annual income."

The budget was made last Fall and appropriations for every purpose, but none for salary to Secretary.

It will require every cent of the estimate to run the Library during the remainder of the year. In fact it will require the closest economy to live within our income.

Therefore, had you the right to pay any compensation,

it would be entirely out of the question at this time, because no appropriation has been made for that purpose.

IV

Conceding for sake of argument that a very close question of law is presented, there remains the question of policy, and it has always seemed to me that the greatest care should be taken in making any great change or establishing any new rules in the conduct of any public business.

I don't mean to say that improved methods should be discouraged, but that the effect of the new rule or regulation as a precedent should be considered from every angle. Even if the salary paid be small, it is not the question of amount, but is the principle good and sound.

If, under this act, we can choose other officers and agents and fix their compensation, what is there to prevent every trustee from being compensated by creating offices and agencies and either appointing or electing them to these positions?

I don't believe that the General Council will submit to this Board dealing so generously with the Library funds. It may be construed as an entering wedge and may result in economies being forced upon us by a reduced levy.

And, therefore, sincerely believing that under the provisions of the Statute, we have no right to pay a trustee any compensation for performing the duties of Secretary; that the trustee has not the right to receive compensation for such duties, that the payment of such compensation would be establishing a very dangerous precedent, even if authorized, and that the best interests of the Library and the interests of the taxpayers would be seriously affected, I recommend that no compensation be paid to a trustee for discharging the duties of Secretary.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) Thos. A. Barker

Chairman

Mr. Herr moved that the Board adjourn to meet Monday, June 18, at 4:30 P. M. to decide the matter. Dr. Ray moved in amendment that the matter be deferred until the July meeting, whereupon the yeas and nays were called. Those voting yea on the substitute of Dr. Ray were Young, Ray, Powers, Mullins. Those voting nay were Powell, Herr, Thalheimer, Ossmann. The vote being tie, Prof. Bartholomew not voting,

was declared lost and the original motion submitted by Mr. Herr to adjourn to meet June 18, at 4:30 P. M. was carried.

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

June 18-1917

Bennett Young President  
W. S. Bartholomew Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Special Meeting June 18, 1917 at 4:30 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Powell, Thalheimer, Hemphill, Barker, Oosmann,  
Powers, Ray, Mullins, Herr, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The call for the meeting was then read by the Secretary:

June 16, 1917

To the Board of Trustees:

Upon motion of Mr. Hardin H. Herr the Library Board at its meeting, June 13, adjourned to meet Monday, June 18, at 4:30 P. M. in the Librarian's Office to decide the question of the advisability and legality of paying a salary to an officer who is a trustee. The attendance of every member of the Library Board is urged.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Geo. T. Settle

Librarian

Mr. Barker presented a minority report and at the same time filed an opinion from Pendleton Beckley, City Attorney, for record in the minutes:

June 18, 1917

Mr. Thomas A. Barker,  
Louisville Trust Bldg.  
City.

Dear Sir:-

I duly received your letter of June 14th, enclosing copy of a letter of Mr. Hardin Herr, addressed to General Bennett H. Young, and a copy of your report made to the Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library, dated June 12th.

In your letter you ask me, "to have an investigation made" in my office and advise you what I consider best to do in this case. I think your report to the Trustees of the Library covers the situation and I can add nothing to this report. I am convinced that it is against both the letter and the spirit of our Constitution for any commission or legislative body in our State to create an office and elect one of their members to this office. This constitutional prohibition is but a crystalization of that public policy set forth in your report.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Pendleton Beckley  
City Attorney

The Chairman stated that a vote would be taken on the adoption of the majority report and told the Secretary to call for the ayes and nays which were as follows:

Ayes: Young, Mullins, Thalheimer, Powell, Powers, Herr.

Nays: Hemphill, Barker, Cossmann, Ray..

The majority report favoring the payment was adopted.

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

July 11-1917

Bennett H. Young President  
W. B. [unclear] Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting July 11, 1917 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Powers, Barker, Hemphill, Herr, Ray, Mullins, Bartholomew and Settle.

Vice-president Young in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary read the following letter which upon motion was accepted and ordered to record:

June 18, 1917.

To the members of the Board of Trustees,  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

I appreciate most highly the motive that induced you to offer me compensation for my services as Secretary of the Board.

But in view of the fact that the Board is so nearly equally divided upon the advisability and legality of the matter, I am constrained to decline the offer of compensation.

With sentiments of esteem, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) W. H. Bartholomew

The Secretary then read letters concerning the American Library Association and the copy of resolutions enclosed in Mr. Utley's letter. Upon motion these were approved and ordered to be included in the minutes:

June 29, 1917.

General Bennett H. Young,  
Louisville, Kentucky.

My dear General:-

Now that our conference is over and we who spent such a delightful week in your midst are dispersed to the four corners of the country, I feel



that I cannot let another day elapse before writing to assure you how very deeply we one and all appreciate the hospitalities and cordial receptions accorded us by the City of Louisville officially, by the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library and its staff and by all the other citizens of Louisville, who either officially or non-officially, joined hands to make our meeting such an unqualified success. Never have we enjoyed a conference more, and never were conditions more favorable to our accomplishing more satisfactory work.

It is impossible for me to recount in detail all the hospitable features for which sincere thanks should be extended. I think however, you will be interested to read the report of the Committee on Resolutions and I am therefore enclosing herewith a copy.

I shall be indebted to you if you will be so good as to express at the next meeting of the Board of the Library our sincere thanks for all courtesies extended and hospitalities received and to read to that body the report of the Committee on Resolutions, in which I am sure they will be interested.

With sincerest best wishes to you and the request that you present the compliments of myself and Mrs. Utley to Mrs. Young, I am, my dear General,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Geo. B. Utley

Secretary (A.L.A.)

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS

The American Library Association desires to express its cordial thanks for the gracious courtesies and attentions its members have enjoyed during its thirty-ninth (39th) annual conference. Louisville has given us of her bounty with such prodigality as to make proverbial Kentucky hospitality a delightful reality. The hospitalities we have received at the hands of the Local Executive Committee representing the Louisville Free Public Library, the Louisville Convention and Publicity League and other bodies have been so many and so varied as to make particular mention of all difficult.

We cannot here attempt to recount the tale of all that Louisville has provided with such charming

and spontaneous generosity - entertainments arranged for our profit and enjoyment that will remain among the pleasureable memories of a life time. Certain salient features which make this conference in a southern city unique we cannot refrain from noting:

The warm welcome to the South formally extended by Governor Stanley of Kentucky and by Mayor Buschemeyer of Louisville at the opening session, the spirit of which was made to pervade the entire conference through the assiduous and courteous attentions of General Bennett H. Young, Chairman of the Local Committee, and of Mr. George T. Settle, Secretary of the Committee and Librarian of the Louisville Free Public Library; the exceptional genius of literary, artistic and musical Louisville as so delightfully revealed to us in the sacred concert; in the exhibit of the Louisville Artists League at the Public Library, and in the brilliant program provided by Louisville authors and musicians; the special reception given us through the hospitality of the Woman's Club, and the two receptions in the Seelbach Auditorium; the scholarly and inspiring sermon by Rev. Dr. Edward L. Powell, the revelation of the unusual beauties of the city of Louisville, its attractive library and its notable park system in the enjoyable automobile drive:- for all these the association expresses grateful appreciation to Louisville in the persons of the Local Committee.

To the speakers not members of the Association who have added to the interest and value of our program by their informing and inspiring addresses, our cordial thanks are also due, particularly to Dr. Shailer Matthews, Dr. J. W. Dietz, and Mr. Carl Hunt, who have come to us from a distance, and to Mrs. Alice Hegan Rice, Mrs. George Madden Martin, Mr. Cale Young Rice, Mrs. Annie Fellows Johnston and to others of Louisville's distinguished authors and musicians who have added for us to their published works, already ours, the charm of their personality.

The Association also desires to express its high appreciation of the courtesy of the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, for its loan of the valuable exhibit of business books.

We wish also to thank most heartily the press of Louisville for its generous attitude and its able and satisfactory reporting of the proceedings and discussions of the conference.

Much of our comfort in attending the conference has been due to the perfection of the plans of Mr. Settle, and to the remarkable and tireless

attention to details shown by him, by the entire library staff and by the citizens of Louisville who served upon the Local Committee. To all of them, not forgetting their efficient first aids, the Boy Scouts, we wish to offer our most sincere thanks.

George F. Bowerman,

Marilla W. Freeman,

John E. Goodwin,

June 29, 1917.

Mr. George T. Settle,  
Library, Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Kentucky.

My dear Mr. Settle:

Well, here I am back at the Chicago headquarters, with the conference all over! I have already tried to express orally to you how much we all appreciate what was done for us by you, the Board of Trustees, the Library staff, and all the other agencies and citizens of Louisville officially and non-officially in making our conference such a success. It seems quite unnecessary for me to go into further details or to take your time in writing an extended letter of thanks, because you know already how sincerely we do appreciate all this and how truly we feel that your efforts to make the conference a success came true.

I think you were present when the Committee on Resolutions' report was read, but you may like to have a copy on file, so I am enclosing one. I am writing to the various individuals and organizations mentioned in this report, thanking them for their share in the week's activities. In my letter to General Young I have asked him at the next meeting of the Board of Trustees to please express our thanks and appreciation to the Library Board and to the Library staff for all they have done and I would like to ask that you also thank the staff of the Library for their work and cordial spirit in helping to give our people such a good time.

I want to add to any former expression, my sincerest personal thanks to all of you for what you did and to thank you and Mrs. Settle on behalf of Mrs. Utley and myself, for your many courtesies and the numerous good times you gave us, all of which helped to make the duties of the week lighter.

I am sure, as I expressed to you before, that it must be a relief to you all to have the conference over and that however much you wanted to have us come, you must be almost as glad to have us get away, but we shall long remember the Louisville conference!

With best wishes,

Most sincerely yours,

(Signed) Geo. B. Utley

Secretary. (A.L.A.)

June 29, 1917.

The Reverend Charles R. Hemphill,  
Louisville, Kentucky.

My dear Dr. Hemphill:-

It is my agreeable duty and pleasure to express to you as Chairman of the sacred concert given Sunday afternoon, June 24th, the sincere appreciation and thanks of the American Library Association for the remarkably excellent musical entertainment of which we were the recipients.

If the opportunity offers, will you be so kind as to thank the director of the chorus, the soloists and the other musicians who contributed to this splendid program and to assure them that the members of the Association are deeply grateful to them for the pleasure given them.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Geo. B. Utley

Secretary. (A.L.A.)

June 29, 1917.

Mr. William Thalheimer,  
Louisville, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:-

It is my agreeable duty and pleasure to express to you on behalf of the American Library Association our very sincere and hearty thanks for the automobile drive through Louisville's beautiful parks and residence districts, made possible by the

generosity of Louisville's citizens, under your direction as Chairman of the Committee in charge.

I shall be deeply grateful if you will express in any way possible our sincere appreciation to all those who contributed to the success of this undertaking and to assure them that our members thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon's drive and were very deeply impressed by the beauties of Louisville and its environs.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) Geo. B. Utley,

Secretary.(A.L.A.)

June 29, 1917.

The Rev. Dr. Edgar Y. Mullins,  
Louisville, Kentucky.

My dear Dr. Mullins:-

It is my agreeable duty and pleasure to express to you on behalf of the American Library Association our very sincere and hearty thanks for the noteworthy and remarkable program rendered by your local authors and musicians on Tuesday evening, June 26th. With all due regard and appreciation of the many other courtesies and evidences of hospitality extended to us during the week of our stay with you, I think I am quite conservative in saying that in many respects this program was the climax of them all. It was a very great pleasure to see and hear the authors and musicians with whose work we were all familiar and later in the evening, to have the opportunity of personally meeting so many of these distinguished men and women. We are also deeply appreciative of the excellent survey of literary Louisville which you personally contributed to this program.

If opportunity offers, will you kindly express to the other participants in this program the very sincere appreciation and thanks of the officers and members of the American Library Association.

With kindest regards,

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) Geo. B. Utley,

Secretary.(A.L.A.)

June 29, 1917.

My dear Mr. Settle:

It seems almost impossible to let you know how much we appreciate what you did for us at Louisville.

We know so well that affairs do not go off so smoothly without infinite pains in perfecting details, and congratulate you upon the result.

We hope that you and Mrs. Settle and the Library staff will not feel any bad effects from your strenuous week. Good luck to you all.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) Walter L. Brown.  
(President A.L.A.)

June 29, 1917.

Mr. George T. Settle,  
Public Library,  
Louisville, Kentucky.

My dear Mr. Settle:

Having returned to my desk where the stern realities of every day duty faces me, I am again reminded of the very great pleasure I enjoyed during my stay in Louisville. I am moved, therefore, to thank you again for your hearty and constant care for the comfort, pleasure and advantage of the visitors, myself especially.

It is a conceded fact on all sides, that the social part of the Louisville meeting was the most enjoyable we have had for a long time. The separation at the different hotels, proved itself to be a much over estimated bug-bear and the meeting place at the Macauley's Theatre is unexcelled in the history of the association.

I remember most pleasantly, the delightful company around your dinner table and am correspondingly grateful to have been counted among those who were fortunate enough to enjoy it.

With kindest regards to Mrs. Settle and yourself, I remain,

Very truly yours,

(Signed) M. E. Ahern  
(Editor Public Libraries)

June 30, 1917.

Mr. George T. Settle,  
Louisville,  
Ky.

Dear Mr. Settle:-

Permit me to congratulate you on the success of the entertainment of the American Library Association while in Louisville. I regret that I could not attend the late meetings, but I needed my vacation so much that I took the first opportunity of getting to the mountains. I wish you, your board, and your courteous and accommodating staff to know that I join in appreciating what you have done for Louisville.

With high regards, I am,

Yours faithfully,

(Signed) John L. Patterson  
(Dean University of Louisville)

July 7, 1917.

Mr. George T. Settle, Librarian  
Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Mr. Settle:

Since returning home, the first of this month, from our western trip and attending the recent A. L. A. Conference at Louisville, Mrs. Carr and I have not ceased talking about the enjoyable features of the latter and of the many gracious courtesies received at the hands of yourself and associates of the local committee, including your library people and the many citizens who helped.

I write now to express personal thanks therefor, in lieu of what I would more gladly have said by word of mouth had time permitted me to call on you (as I had hoped to do) after we came back from the visit to Mammoth Cave.

Speaking somewhat as a "veteran participant" in A. L. A. meetings, and looking back to past events of the kind, I do not recall any instances of such effective and unwearying hospitality and entertainment, as were extended to the Association at Louisville, June 21-27th. Undoubtedly they were appreciated no less by every one who was there; and I trust that you will receive abundant expressions of same

from many others in due course.

With best regards to yourself and Mrs. Settle (and Mrs. Carr says: "don't forget the library girls, who were so active and helpful from first to last"),

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Henry J. Carr.  
(Member A.L.A.)

Mr. Settle's report as Secretary of the Local Executive Committee of the A. L. A. was submitted and upon motion the Library Board extended a vote of thanks to members of all committees and those who took part on the program.

July 11, 1917.

To the Library Board:

I wish to report:

The Local Executive Committee in planning entertainment for the American Library Association which met in Louisville June 21-27 named committees to assist in arranging for entertainment for the guests and to conduct the series of social affairs planned.

I am calling attention to this to ask for a formal vote of thanks for the splendid cooperation and work of the Local Executive Committee and other committees which made the thirty-ninth annual conference of the American Library Association one of the best in its history.

Special mention should be made of the following: Woman's Club; Local friends who took part in the Sacred Concert and those who participated to make "Literary Louisville" evening a success; Gov. A. O. Stanley; Mayor John H. Buschemeyer; Louisville Artists' League; Dr. E. L. Powell; Dr. Frank M. Thomas; Rabbi Joseph Rauch; also the hundreds of citizens who made the automobile ride possible, Boy Scouts; Library staff and entire press of the city for the splendid publicity given.

I am submitting a copy of the program naming committees, chairmen, etc. as part of this report.

Respectfully submitted,  
(Signed) George T. Settle  
Secretary Local Executive Committee  
A. L. A.



Upon motion the committee consisting of Mr. Herr and Prof. Bartholomew and the Librarian were appointed to draft a suitable resolution expressing the thanks of the Board to all who helped to make the A. L. A. a success. The resolution follows:-

BE IT RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Library Board be extended to the Local Executive Committee and other committees, and to each and every person who contributed to the entertainment of the American Library Association at the 1917 annual meeting, and that a copy of this resolution be spread on the minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) W. H. Bartholomew

(Signed) Hardin H. Herr

(Signed) Geo. T. Settle

Committee

The following resolution thanking the Librarian and staff for the success of the A. L. A. meeting was offered by Mr. Herr and upon motion was approved and ordered to record:

BE IT RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Library Board be extended to the Librarian, heads of departments, branch librarians, and other members of the library staff for the very efficient manner with which they planned and conducted the various entertainments and programs for the 1917 meeting of the American Library Association.

The Treasurer's report was read by Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Finance Committee. The report showed a cash balance July 1 of \$1,252.95 and stated that \$3,000. was to be added to this from rent Public Library building, making a total of \$4,252.95. Upon motion the report was approved.

The Librarian's report for the month was read. It showed a circulation of 70,977 volumes, 22,603 books read by children and 48,374 by adults. 2,488 reference topics were looked up at the Main library, branches and high schools, 14 reading lists were compiled and 203 books and magazines and 175 pictures lent for home use.

Upon motion the report was approved.

The bills for the month having been audited by the Library Committee were approved and ordered paid:

|                                      |                  |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Bowker Co., R. R.                    | \$ 18.00         |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co. | 30.02            |
| Dearing Printing Co., C. T.          | 102.50           |
| Gray Motor Car Service               | 11.00            |
| Gulf Refining Co.                    | 12.24            |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Dept)      | 38.16            |
| Kentucky Print Shop                  | 16.00            |
| Library Bureau                       | 28.80            |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.        | 86.82            |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.        | 105.75           |
| Quick Tire Service Inc.              | 53.64            |
| Settle, George T. Librarian          | 148.20           |
| Petty Cash                           |                  |
| Special Libraries Association        | 10.36            |
| Standard Gas Station                 | 50.75            |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                 | 5.00             |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.          | 3.00             |
| Whitehead & Hoag Co.                 | 9.19             |
|                                      | <u>\$ 729.43</u> |
| Pd) Settle, George T. Librarian      |                  |
| Pay Roll                             | <u>4,276.95</u>  |
|                                      |                  |
| Total                                | \$5,006.38       |

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Sept. 12, 1917

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President

W. N. Burdette Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

August 8, 1917

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library was not held on the above date because of the absence of a quorum. Four members of the Board were absent from the city, five had important engagements, and four only had signified their intention to attend, which was three short of a quorum. For this reason the meeting was called off.

The following letter was sent to the Executive Committee by the Secretary:

Aug. 9, 1917

Gen. Bennett H. Young, Chairman, )  
 Mr. E. J. O'Brien, ) Executive Committee  
 Mr. Thomas A. Barker, )  
 Board of Trustees, Public Library,  
 Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

As Secretary of the Library Board, I herewith respectfully submit the following facts for your information:

Only four members signified their intention to be present at the regular monthly Board meeting on Wednesday, August 8, with four members reported out of the city as follows: Powell, Thalheimer, Barker, Hemphill. Five members had important engagements and could not attend: O'Brien, Mullins, Ossmann, Ray, Buschemeyer. For this reason the regular monthly meeting was legally impossible.

Inasmuch as this Board meeting closes the fiscal year in finances, I have examined the pay roll for July 1917, voucher #6348, checks 7205 to 7287 inclusive, amounting to \$4,228.00 which has been approved by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid, the repairs and improvements amounting to \$1,619.06, vouchers 6342 to 6347 and 6349 to 6353, which have been approved by the Chairman of the Building Committee and paid, and bills for current maintenance, voucher 6354, checks 7288 to 7307 inclusive, amounting to \$490.98 and report them correct. I suggest that the bills be approved by the members of the Executive Committee for payment so that the fiscal year can be closed. The expert accountant will then be able to make a full report of the year as required by law.

Please signify your approval.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) W. H. Bartholomew Sec

APPROVED: (Signed) E. J. O'Brien  
Bennett H. Young

The following bills were approved by the Executive Committee  
for payment:

|   |               |         |                     |
|---|---------------|---------|---------------------|
| Arctic Ice Co.                            |               | \$33 55 |                     |
| Becker, Vernon W.                         |               | 4 60    |                     |
| Bowman, Hite D.                           |               | 15 42   |                     |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.      |               | 27 65   |                     |
| Ewing's Sons, D. H.                       |               | 11 62   |                     |
| Gray Motor Car Service                    |               | 11 88   |                     |
| Gulf Refining Co., Inc.                   |               | 7 89    |                     |
| Guntermann, Bertha                        |               | 35 72   |                     |
| Long's Towel Supply                       |               | 24 00   |                     |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.             |               | 83 44   |                     |
| Louisville Motors Co.                     |               | 1 90    |                     |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.               |               | 21 45   |                     |
| Mayer, Wm. F.                             |               | 11 00   |                     |
| Quick Tire Service, Inc.                  |               | 9 23    |                     |
| Sanders & Scoon                           |               | 3 75    |                     |
| Settle, George T. Librarian               |               | 74 38   |                     |
| Skilton Ice Co.                           |               | 4 60    |                     |
| Standard Oil Co.                          |               | 42 90   |                     |
| Swindler, E. F.                           |               | 18 00   |                     |
| United States Tire Co.                    |               | 48 00   |                     |
|   |               |         | 490 98              |
| Pd) Settle, George T. Librarian, Pay Roll |               |         | <u>4228 00</u>      |
|   |               |         | \$4718 98           |
| Pd) Pell & Bro., W. B. Repairs            | \$69 50       |         |                     |
| Pd) "                                     | 72 50         |         |                     |
| Pd) "                                     | 88 50         |         |                     |
| Pd) "                                     | 22 50         |         |                     |
| Pd) Wood, Harry I. Co.                    | 398 13        |         |                     |
| Pd) Campbell & Sons, B. J.                | 179 85        |         |                     |
| Pd) "                                     | 41 13         |         |                     |
| Pd) "                                     | 10 22         |         |                     |
| Pd) "                                     | 11 13         |         |                     |
| Pd) Frey Planing Mill Co.                 | 428 70        |         |                     |
| Pd) Strassel Co., J. L.                   | <u>296 90</u> |         | <u>1609 06</u>      |
|   |               |         | TOTAL-----\$6338 04 |

MINUTES APPROVED

Sept. 12, 1917

Bennett H. Young President  
W. B. Bartholomew Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting September 12, 1917 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Herr, Ray, Bartholomew, Powell, Ossmann, Thalheimer, and Settle. Vice President Young in the chair.

The minutes of July 11, 1917 were upon motion approved.

The minutes of August 8, 1917 showing the action of the Executive Committee were approved by the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library that the action of the Executive Committee of said Board in ordering paid the current expenses and other necessary expenditures of said Board, by reason of the fact that said Board failed to have a meeting during the month of August 1917, be and hereby confirmed and ratified at the meeting of said Board held on the regular day for the monthly meeting of said Board, viz: second Wednesday in September 1917.

The following letter from Mayor John H. Buschemeyer, appointing Turner & Spencer, accountants to examine the library books, was read and ordered to record:

Louisville, Ky. Aug. 20, 1917

Mr. George T. Settle,  
Librarian, Louisville Free Public Library,  
City

My dear Sir:-

I have this day appointed Messrs. Turner & Spencer to make an audit of the books of the library. I have instructed them to see you and make the necessary arrangements for this audit and the compensation to be paid therefor.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Jno. H. Buschemeyer

The following letter from Mr. Lee E. Gralle offering to buy four inches of ground to settle the controversy between the Library Board and the owners of the property adjoining the Highland Branch Library upon motion was referred to the Building Committee:

Sept. 12, 1917

Louisville Free Public Library,  
Mr. Geo. T. Settle, Librarian,  
City.

My dear Sir:

Referring to dispute as to property line between the Highland Library and the Vertrees property:

As the surveyors representing both parties have decided that the rough stone of the foundation of the Vertrees apartments extends over the line from one inch to one and a half inches, I would suggest that the Public Library sell to the owners of the Vertrees property four inches of ground, the price to be mutually agreed upon by the parties interested.

We regret very much this error of the builders, we took every precaution and had the surveyor give the contractor the proper line but he failed to follow it.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Lee E. Cralle

The resolution endorsing the American Library Association movement to raise money for soldiers in cantonments and army camps and the appointment of Dr. E. L. Powell and the Librarian to conduct the campaign in Louisville, Jefferson County and the State was endorsed and approved.

Letters from Kaufman-Straus Co. under date July 23, August 2, August 13 and September 6 asking that the Library Board assume part of the cost of employment of a nightwatchman, repair tile capping on roof and repair tank for sprinkler system were considered in order. It was unanimously agreed that under our lease we are not liable for any part of the cost of the nightwatchman since one had always been employed without cost to the library, and that we are not liable for repairs on tank, part of sprinkler system, and painting of fire escapes. A similar request regarding repairs on tank was made and acted upon at the September 13, 1916 Board meeting. The placing of tile capping on roof, being part of the roof, was authorized.

The recommendation of D. X. Murphy & Bro., architects, that the hot water tank in the basement be disconnected and that the Ruud heater be used on account of the high cost of material necessary for a new tank was approved and the Librarian authorized to have the repairs made on the Ruud heater.

The Treasurer's report for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1917 was submitted by Mr. Hardin Herr of the Finance Committee and is as follows:

September 12, 1917

To the Library Board:

The Treasurer's report for the fiscal year ended August 31, 1917 is submitted herewith. This shows receipts as follows: City taxes \$65,267.74; Jefferson County appropriation \$5,000.; rents \$36,000.00; fines, lost books, etc. \$3,447.37; making a total with the balance on hand last year of \$110,014.55. The amount spent for current maintenance was \$94,512.01; interest on mortgage \$15,500; a total of \$110,012.01. This leaves a balance of \$2.54.

We submit also the report of Turner & Spencer, expert accountants appointed by the Mayor, who have made a careful audit and examination of the books, and verify the treasurer's statement of receipts and expenditures which correspond with the Librarian's reports and accounts for the year.

It is hereby moved that the Treasurer be authorized to borrow sufficient funds to pay current expenses until the budget for 1916-17 is adopted.

It is hereby moved that the Librarian be authorized to spend \$1,000. each month for books until the budget is adopted.

These resolutions are offered as customary each year and we trust they will be approved by the Board.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) Hardin H. Herr

Member Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved.

The report of Turner & Spencer, expert accountants, was received.

The letter from Turner & Spencer follows:

Sept. 3, 1917

Hon. John H. Buschemeyer, Mayor,  
City of Louisville,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your instructions we have made an audit of the books and accounts of the Louisville Free Public Library for the year Sept. 1, 1916 to Sept. 1, 1917.

The Receipts and Disbursements of Cash were thoroughly audited and the balance of \$2.54 agreed with the balance shown by the bank passbook.

The audit proved satisfactory to us in every way and it is our pleasure to report that the books and records of both the Treasurer and the Librarian's Secretary are accurately and well kept.

We wish to express our appreciation of the opportunity of serving you and your Board, and the Treasurer, Librarian and his assistants for the courtesies shown us during the course of our work.

Respectfully submitted,

TURNER-SPENCER & CO.

By (Signed) Thos. E. Turner  
Member American Institute  
of Accountants

The Board's attention was called to the increase in rates for insurance for the Kaufman-Straus Building and upon motion the matter was referred to Mr. Herr and the Executive Committee with power to act. The letters follow:

July 31, 1917

State Insurance Rating Board,  
Frankfort, Ky.

Gentlemen:

I notice in the Courier Journal of July 31, page three, column six, under heading "Reduce Rates Eleven Cents" this interesting statement:

"The report of the State Insurance Rating Board to State Auditor R. L. Greene at the close of the fifth year of the de-



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partment's existence, shows an average reduction in fire rates for the five years of 11 cents the \$100."

I call this interesting because of the increase in rates that we have been charged on a building we own in Louisville, 427-437 Fourth Ave., occupied by a department store. The insurance on this building amounting to about \$180,000. was renewed this month, and other policies adding considerably to this will expire during the year. The insurance on the Fourth Avenue building was renewed under form approved by the Kentucky Actuarial Bureau, copy enclosed, on which they charged us \$12.00 per \$1000. for five years. The rate on this same building five years ago was 90¢ per \$1000. for five years.

Can you give us an explanation of this increase of 30¢ in the face of your statement?

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Geo. T. Settle

Librarian

August 2, 1917

Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

Attention Mr. Geo. T. Settle, Librarian

Gentlemen:

We have your valued favor of the 31st ultimo which we have noted with interest and we thank you very much for calling our attention to this matter. We have written to the Kentucky Actuarial Bureau, the rating authority for the stock fire insurance companies doing business in Kentucky, asking for a complete makeup of the present rate of \$1.20 and also asking for full information as to the reason for the increase from the old rate of 90¢. We will advise you further as soon as we hear from them.

In connection with the article referred to, it is a fact that the rates paid on the Kentucky business as a whole shows a reduction of 11¢ on the hundred dollars insurance as compared with the rates paid five years ago. If you are interested in any dwelling properties in Louisville you will, undoubtedly, recall that very large reductions were made on the great majority of dwellings there. Reductions have also been made on tobacco warehouses and tobacco in its various forms and reductions have also been made in many other specific classes. The Board does not claim and is not able to make reductions on all risks. Any equalization of a tax means an increase in some cases and a reduction in others but the statement is correct on the whole in that general rates are lower by the amount stated than those prevailing five years ago and the saving to the people is, consequently, that great. We will be glad to communicate further with you as soon as possible.

(Signed) N. O. Gray

Chairman

August 7, 1917

Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

Attention Mr. Geo. T. Settle, Librarian

Gentlemen:

With further reference to your valued favor of the 31st ultimo we find upon investigation that the rate on your building has not been increased, in fact the old 30¢ rate has been reduced 20% making the present annual rate 24¢. The new Term Rule, however, for arriving at rates for policies written for longer than one year is two and a half and four times the annual rate respectively instead of two and three as heretofore. This would make your new rate 96¢ for the five year term instead of \$1.20 as stated by you. If you are not mistaken in your statement that you were charged \$1.20 for the five years all that will be necessary for you to do is to present your policies to the agent writing the business and show him this letter as your authority for asking that the rate be reduced to the 96¢ figure for the five year term.

We will await the outcome of the matter with interest and remain,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) N. O. Gray

Chairman

Upon motion of Mr. Thalheimer the Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Company's bid to supply heat, light and power for one year from November 21, 1917 was approved. The price of heat was increased from \$2,296.00 to \$4,190.00, light and power rate remaining the same. The contract drawn by Mr. Herr to be signed by the Library and Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. was submitted with the report.

The Librarian's report for August was read, approved and ordered filed. The circulation for home use was 64,851 volumes, 18,920 books read by children and 45,931 by adults. The report showed that 1,518 reference topics were looked up at the Main library and branches, 21 reading lists compiled and 155 books and magazines and 169 pictures lent for home use.

The Librarian's annual report, which was very gratifying to

the Board, was received and ordered to record:

To the Board of Trustees of the  
Louisville Free Public Library,

Gentlemen:

I am submitting the thirteenth annual report of the work of the Louisville Free Public Library for the fiscal year September 1, 1916-August 31, 1917.

The circulation of books for home use through all agencies, branches, Main library, stations and schools was 1,153,816, an increase of 79,456 volumes over last year. The 204,310 volumes in the library have circulated on an average of 5.64 times. Estimating the population of the city at 237,012 (U.S. Census Estimate) the circulation was 4.86 volumes per capita.

This circulation represents 672,059 volumes read by adults, an increase of 33,239, and 481,757 volumes read by children, an increase of 46,217. The report does not include 26,344 volumes charged by the Circulation and other departments to branches, schools and stations, nor the thousands of volumes used in reference work and read by visitors at the tables at the Main library and branches.

The circulation is divided as follows: Main library 335,094 volumes, an increase of 13,487; branches 579,075, an increase of 43,638; stations 108,661, an increase of 14,277; class room collections 130,986, an increase of 8,054.

The number of volumes of fiction read was 651,546; non-fiction 502,270; the per cent of fiction being 56. Although there was an increase in the use of books the per cent of fiction is the same as last year.

There were 10,391 borrowers registered during the year making a total of 55,444 citizens using the library. This shows that more than 23% of the population are registered users.

The Reference Department report shows 82,984 more important questions asked and topics looked up, an increase of 21,515. Of these 23,199 were reported from the Reference Room, 3,072 from the Civics Room, 4,524 from the Children's Room, 52,189 from the branches and high schools. There were 213 bibliographies and reading lists compiled and 4,257 volumes, magazines, etc. and 5,291 pictures loaned for home use. There are 384 periodicals on file in the Reference Room.

The Newspaper and Civics Room report shows 33,573 visitors during the year, 3,072 more important questions asked and topics looked up, 567 bound volumes of newspapers used and 3,485 newspapers read for items. The report shows 1,236 pamphlets classified and 4,577 clippings from newspapers on general subjects filed. Of this number 824 were about the library. There are on file 19 municipal periodicals and 90 daily and

weekly newspapers. New issues of city directories and telephone books of the principal cities have been added during the year. The continued use that the public has made of the writing desk proves that it is a convenience which is appreciated.

There were 24,625 visitors to the Museum. During the year the Museum was rearranged and the material classified by an expert from the East. This was done without cost to the Library through the generosity of Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston and Mr. S. Thruston Ballard. The Museum was closed from March 14 to April 24. It continues to be a popular visiting place for citizens and strangers and is used by children from the schools.

There were 15,159 volumes added to the library making a total of 204,310 volumes on the shelves. This is a net increase of 8,886 volumes. These volumes are in the libraries as follows: Main 141,768; Highland 9,577; Portland 9,891; Crescent Hill 7,737; Parkland 7,186; Shelby Park 6,670; Jefferson 5,270; Western Colored 12,096; Eastern Colored 4,115. There were 704 volumes of magazines etc. bound and 8,341 miscellaneous volumes rebound.

There were 18,807 volumes cataloged. This included 583 volumes at the Girls High School Branch and 1,713 at the Boys High School Branch. The increased use of the Main library and branches without a corresponding increase in the staff made it necessary to call on the Catalog Department for substitute work more than ever. This service was cheerfully given although at the expense of the showing in the work of the department.

The circulation at the branch libraries was 579,075 volumes, an increase of 43,638. This included 341,137 books read by adults and 237,938 by children. The circulation and increases are divided as follows: Highland Branch 74,649, an increase of 4,679; Portland 70,004, an increase of 2,978; Crescent Hill 86,024, an increase of 5,465; Parkland 83,807, an increase of 1,269; Shelby Park 84,030, an increase of 4,705; Jefferson 90,009, an increase of 4,646; Western Colored 35,113; Eastern Colored 29,227, an increase of 1,656; Boys High School 7,824, an increase of 4,383; Girls High School 13,524, an increase of 10,298; Normal 4,864. The more important questions asked and topics looked up in reference work at the branches total 52,189, an increase of 27,855. There are on file 427 periodicals.

The meetings in the Assembly and Class rooms numbered 1,278; at Main 266, at branches 1,012.

Repairs and Improvements including redecoration of the Main Library and four branches during the year cost \$7430.48. This is an increase of \$5,408.73 as compared to last year. This necessarily reduced the book account for the year as no special appropriation was made by the city for repairs.

The Library Board joined the Louisville Convention and Publicity League in entertaining the American Library Association June 21-27. The expense incurred was met by the Library

from funds which otherwise would have gone to the book account.

Library privileges were extended to residents of Jefferson County outside of the City of Louisville for one year beginning March 1, 1917, the Fiscal Court appropriating \$5,000. for this purpose. Residents of the County now enjoy the same privileges at the Main library and branches as citizens of Louisville, and 1,036 have registered as borrowers. Ten stations have been opened, twenty-nine collections have been placed in fourteen county schools, circulating for the six months 9,229 volumes; stations 6,075; class room collections 3,154. This does not include the books borrowed by residents of the County from the Main library and branches. Additional stations will be opened and books placed in all the white and colored schools in the County beginning September 1.

The financial report shows that the receipts from city taxes amounted to \$65,267.74; Jefferson County appropriation \$5,000.; fines, lost books, etc. \$3,447.37; rent \$36,000. making a total with the balance on hand last year of \$110,014.55. The cost of current maintenance was \$94,512.01 and interest on mortgage \$15,500., a total of \$110,012.01. The current maintenance expenditures are as follows: Books \$18,437.02; Expense \$9,085.44; Light, heat and power \$6,671.49; Repairs and improvements \$7,430.48; Insurance \$142.89; Furniture and fixtures \$1,828.19; Salaries and janitor service \$50,506.21; interest on loans \$410.29.

(Signed) Geo. T. Settle

Librarian

Upon motion the Librarian was authorized to print 1000 copies of the report for distribution. Typewritten copies are to be submitted to the Board of Trustees before the report is printed.

Mr. Herr stated that the Finance Committee had no report to make at this time on the renewal of the mortgage on the Public Library building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Company.

The recommendation of the Library Committee that the following ten young ladies who received the highest averages in the examination June 15 be admitted to the apprentice class was approved:

|                        |                    | Grade |
|------------------------|--------------------|-------|
| Benton, Mary Elizabeth | 1305 S. First St.  | 75.5  |
| Harris, Ota Irene      | 2928 Virginia Ave. | 65.5  |
| Settle, Mary Preston   | 528 W. Kentucky    | 65    |
| Davidson, Mary Louise  | 131 S. Galt        | 65    |
| Terrell, Lila Louise   | 1341 S. First      | 58    |
| Grove, Gladys Clarisse | 447 N. 26th St.    | 56    |
| Schoen, Dorothy Medora | 1140 S. Sixth St.  | 54    |

|                          |                  |      |
|--------------------------|------------------|------|
| Jefferis, Laura Chandler | 4603 Euclid Ave. | 52.5 |
| Matthews, Irene          | 2633 Alford Ave. | 52   |
| Peden, Sarah Catherine   | 717 S. 22nd St.  | 51   |

The Librarian was authorized to take into the class two young ladies who have definite collection with a Kentucky Library.

The averages of the two colored applicants were so low that another examination will be held in February.

Upon motion Miss Ruth Wentzell, a resident of New Albany, who had passed the examination with an average of 64.5 was not admitted because she was not a resident of Louisville. It was ruled that it was necessary to be a resident of the city and not a non-resident taxpayer to enter the training class.

The recommendation that the resignation of Jane J. Simpson, assistant at the Western Colored Branch Library, be accepted was approved. She was married on June 14 to Rev. Charles Calvin Williams of Paterson, N. J.

The recommendation that officers and their wives and all soldiers in uniform from Camp Zachary Taylor be allowed the use of the Main library and branches as residents of the city and Jefferson County was approved.

The recommendation that Anna Coldewey be granted a year's leave of absence to attend the Cleveland Library Training School was approved.

The recommendation that the salary of Pearl Hinesley, on account of one year's training at library school be advanced twelve months from \$50. to \$55. per month was approved.

The recommendation that Mary Brown Humphrey, librarian at the Girls High School Branch, be granted a year's leave of absence to attend library school and that the Librarian be authorized to assign a member of the staff to the Girls High School Branch covering this period without cost to the library was approved. Miss Humphrey

was granted a year's leave of absence by the Board of Education also.

The recommendation that additional trunk lines for the Cumberland and Home telephones be installed was upon motion approved.

The claim of John H. Jackson, formerly a janitor at the Main library and Shelby Park Branch, asking for assistance, upon motion was not approved. Jackson had a paralytic stroke while employed at the Shelby Park Branch Library. He remained on the pay roll for some time and upon request of the Librarian has been sent to his home in Tennessee twice on transportation furnished by the city.

Upon recommendation it was approved that the contract for coal for the year be held until prices are lower, the Librarian being authorized to pay the market price for coal as long as it is necessary until the contract is made.

The following bids on newspaper subscriptions for the year beginning 1918 were submitted:

|                      |            |
|----------------------|------------|
| F. C. Stechert & Co. | \$2,023.70 |
| W. K. Stewart Co.    | 2,036.55   |
| H. W. Wilson Co.     | 2,077.22   |

Upon motion W. K. Stewart Co. of Louisville was given the contract. The statement was made that this contract was given to a home firm because they were taxpayers in the city and because the service would be better in that we could get magazines off the counter when they failed to come through the mails.

Bills for the month, after having been audited by the Library Committee, were approved and ordered paid:

|  |         |
|--|---------|
| Abell Elevator Co.   | \$40 00 |
| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co.                                     | 2 00    |
| American Assn. for Study and Prevention of<br>Infant Mortality | 3 11    |
| American Concrete Institute                                    | 8 50    |
| A. L. A. Publishing Board                                      | 2 08    |
| American Printing House for the Blind                          | 91 38   |
| Anderson, D. R.  | 1 00    |
| Arabol Mfg. Co.  | 4 80    |

|                                      |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Arctic Ice Co.                       | 11 70    |
| Baldwin Law Book Co.                 | 3 00     |
| Baptist Book Concern                 | 3 46     |
| Becker, Vernon W.                    | 1 55     |
| Belknap Hardware Mfg. Co.            | 6 25     |
| Bittner Sons, G.                     | 6 80     |
| Bland Electric Co.                   | 21 40    |
| Boston Book Co.                      | 171 67   |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                    | 26 99    |
| Bowman, Hite D.                      | 20 42    |
| Bridges-Smith & Co.                  | 1 40     |
| Burdorf-Brecher Co.                  | 5 00     |
| Bywater Bros.                        | 12 90    |
| Caron Directory Co.                  | 4 00     |
| Carter Dry Goods Co.                 | 9 63     |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                 | 2 37     |
| Courier-Journal Job Printing Co.     | 8 00     |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.                | 10 75    |
| Crutcher Bros Co.                    | 2 50     |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co. | 28 72    |
| Cumulative Digest Corporation        | 2 00     |
| Dodd, Mead & Co., Inc.               | 4 50     |
| Dreher, K.                           | 3 25     |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                  | 22 50    |
| Elm Tree Press                       | 1 00     |
| Ewing Sons, D. H.                    | 1 00     |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                  | 9 00     |
| Finck, Carl H.                       | 5 40     |
| Flint's Cost Finding System          | 3 00     |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                | 40 10    |
| Gaylord Bros.                        | 2 66     |
| Graham, F. W.                        | 3 00     |
| Gray Motor Car Service               | 12 13    |
| Guntermann, Bertha                   | 29 99    |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry            | 7 30     |
| Hoke, T. J.                          | 1 50     |
| Hubbich Bros. & Wellendorff          | 3 10     |
| International Time Recording Co.     | 4 42     |
| Jeunesse, R.                         | 16 00    |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                   | 28 74    |
| Kelly Publishing Co.                 | 16 00    |
| Kendricks Sons, Wm.                  | 7 32     |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.               | 1 073 55 |
| Kentucky Tent & Awning Co.           | 4 75     |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.        | 10 83    |
| Korfhage, Herman C.                  | 7 50     |
| Lamb, James H.                       | 7 00     |
| Levy Bros.                           | 8 75     |
| Library Bureau                       | 104 97   |
| Long's Towel Supply                  | 8 00     |
| Louisville Chemical Co.              | 9 62     |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.        | 76 26    |
| Louisville Paper Co.                 | 22 05    |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.          | 7 65     |
| McClurg & Co., A. C.                 | 48 25    |
| Mayes Printing Co.                   | 45 40    |
| Mississippi Valley Historical Assn.  | 4 00     |
| Morton & Co., John P.                | 270 82   |
| National Education Assn.             | 2 00     |
| O. K. Tent & Awning Co.              | 4 00     |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.              | 35 75    |



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| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                    | 16 15  |
| Pell & Bro., William B.                 | 19 10  |
| Quick Tire Service Inc.                 | 18 51  |
| Ramser Sons, Geo.                       | 17 55  |
| Recktenwald Bros.                       | 1 05   |
| Remington Typewriter Co.                | 131 25 |
| Rommel-Smith Motor Co.                  | 22 90  |
| Royal Photo Co.                         | 3 00   |
| Stewart Co., W. K.                      | 291 27 |
| Schardein & Sons, F. S.                 | 6 70   |
| Schoppenhorst Dry Cleaning & Dyeing Co. | 3 00   |
| Settle, Geo. T., Petty Cash             | 110 03 |
| Skilton Ice Co.                         | 3 10   |
| Southeastern Paper Co.                  | 5 50   |
| Special Libraries Assn.                 | 4 64   |
| Standard Oil Co.                        | 31 19  |
| Standard Printing Co.                   | 111 20 |
| Stilz, Henry G.                         | 6 00   |
| Tafel Electric Co., H. C.               | 36 81  |
| Turner & Spencer                        | 100 00 |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                    | 5 00   |
| Wood Co., Harry I.                      | 6 75   |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.     | 454 20 |
| Louisville Courier Journal Co.          | 2 83   |

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4 218 85

Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Libn. Pay Roll

TOTAL-----\$8 113 02

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

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E. L. Powell President

Geo. T. Settle Assistant Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

October 10, 1917

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library was not held on the above date because of the absence of a quorum. Three members of the Board were absent from the city, five had important engagements, and five only had signified their intention to attend, which was two short of a quorum. For this reason the meeting was called off.

The following letter was sent to the Executive Committee by Dr. E. L. Powell, member of the Library Committee:

Gen. Bennett H. Young, Chairman }  
Mr. Edward J. O'Brien, } Executive Committee  
Mr. Thomas A. Barker }

Oct. 11, 1917

Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

As the Secretary is out of the city, I, as a member of the Library Committee, herewith respectfully submit the following facts for your information:

Five members only signified their intention to be present at the regular monthly Board meeting on Wednesday, October 10, three members were out of the city and five had engagements which prevented their coming. For this reason the regular monthly meeting of the Board was legally impossible.

I have examined the bills for current maintenance, voucher 6358, checks 7563 to 7653 inclusive, amounting to \$2,849.30 and bills for insurance, voucher 6359 and checks 7654 to 7686 inclusive, amounting to \$1,856.40, total \$4,705.70 and report them correct and suggest that the bills be approved by the members of the Executive Committee for payment.

Please signify your approval on the reverse side and return to the Librarian.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) E. L. Powell

Member Library Committee

APPROVED:

(Signed) E. J. O'Brien  
 (Signed) Bennett H. Young  
 (Signed) Jno. H. Buschemeyer

The following bills were approved by the Executive Committee for payment:

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| Abell Elevator Co.                     | \$ 15.50 |
| Albrecht Sons Hardware Co.             | 1 20     |
| American Book Co.                      | 130 38   |
| American Education Co.                 | 4 00     |
| Annual Review Publishing Co.           | 4 75     |
| Arctic Ice Co.                         | 10 45    |
| Atlas Coal Co.                         | 96 00    |
| Baptist Book Concern                   | 5 88     |
| Becker, Vernon W.                      | 1 50     |
| Belding Basket Co.                     | 2 25     |
| Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.            | 3 85     |
| Bland Electric Co.                     | 5 40     |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                      | 4 20     |
| Bowman, Hite D.                        | 40 74    |
| Burroughs Adding Machine Co.           | 7 40     |
| Busk-Krebs Co.                         | 4 13     |
| Bywater Bros.                          | 7 05     |
| Carter Dry Goods Co.                   | 5 70     |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                   | 4 50     |
| Chiles, Rosa Pendleton                 | 4 00     |
| Courier-Journal                        | 3 00     |
| Clegg & Co., F. A.                     | 2 50     |
| Crutcher Bros.                         | 21 00    |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co. | 31 06    |
| Dehler Bros. Co.                       | 12 50    |
| Dielman, L. H.                         | 3 00     |
| Dinkelspiel, Blanche                   | 6 30     |
| Duncan, Mrs. Fanny Casseday            | 7 50     |
| Dye Mfg. Co. E. B.                     | 11 50    |
| Falls City Buggy Top Co.               | 1 75     |
| Finck, Carl H.                         | 5 40     |
| Fischer Co., Heinrich                  | 27 81    |
| Flanagan Co., A.                       | 2 65     |
| Franklin Printing Co.                  | 11 50    |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                  | 3 00     |
| Gade, Gerhard                          | 1 80     |
| Gibson & Co., W. C.                    | 7 20     |

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| Ginn & Co.                          | 49 37      |
| Gray Motor Car Service              | 11 00      |
| Guntermann, Bertha                  | 17 48      |
| Hoke, T. J.                         | 1 50       |
| Home Correspondence School          | 1 46       |
| Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff         | 1 30       |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                  | 49 57      |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.              | 178 88     |
| Kendrick Sons                       | 1 50       |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.       | 17 64      |
| Lampton, Crane and Ramey Co.        | 30 00      |
| Lange, Martin                       | 8 00       |
| Library Bureau                      | 132 38     |
| Library of Congress                 | 100 00     |
| Longmans, Green and Co.             | 123 33     |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.     | 97 94      |
| Louisville Chemical Co.             | 6 25       |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.       | 105 75     |
| Louisville Motors Co.               | 1 00       |
| Louisville Paper Co.                | 82 94      |
| McDevitt, Wilson's Inc.             | 13 50      |
| Mayes Printing Co.                  | 24 25      |
| Morton and Co., John P.             | 203 53     |
| Nelson and Sons, Thomas B.          | 22 56      |
| Otis Hidden Co.                     | 1 25       |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.             | 2 61       |
| Phenol Chemical Co.                 | 1 50       |
| Pirtle and Weaver                   | 28 35      |
| Pittsburgh Water Heater Co.         | 1 10       |
| Puritan Linotype                    | 4 00       |
| Quick Tire Service                  | 1 00       |
| Ramser Sons, Geo.                   | 11 25      |
| Robinson, Wilson and Lang           | 90 00      |
| Stewart Co., W. K.                  | 366 15     |
| Seattle Public Library              | 9 00       |
| Settle, Geo. T. Libn.               | 77 74      |
| Skilton Ice Co.                     | 3 00       |
| Slaughter, T. Grant                 | 78 00      |
| Smith and Dugan                     | 28 80      |
| Southeastern Paper Co.              | 31 74      |
| Standard Oil Co.                    | 52 79      |
| Standard Printing Co.               | 4 25       |
| Stilz, Henry G.                     | 1 50       |
| Tafel Electric Co.                  | 1 50       |
| Tranco Envelope Co.                 | 13 25      |
| University Press of Sewanee Tenn.   | 1 25       |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                | 5 00       |
| Wedekind and Co., H.                | 5 25       |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. | 106 44     |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.         | 3 00       |
| Williams and Wilkins Co.            | 10 00      |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                   | 100 10     |
| Winslow, Helen M.                   | 2 00       |
| Long's Towel Supply Co.             | 8 00       |
| Forward                             | \$2 849 30 |

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|                                 | Forward | \$2 849 30 |
| Pd) Settle, George T. Librarian |         | 4 222 70   |
| Pay Roll                        |         | \$7 072 00 |

Insurance on  
Fourth Ave. Library Building

|                                    |          |          |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Avery and Co. Samuel               | \$ 62 40 |          |
| Barret, Son & Robinson, John J.    | 93 60    |          |
| Bayly & Co., J. W. E.              | 83 20    |          |
| Beilstein & Co., J. W.             | 31 20    |          |
| Bloom, Levi                        | 62 40    |          |
| Booker & Kinnaid                   | 31 20    |          |
| Breuer & Co.                       | 41 60    |          |
| Brown & Martin                     | 46 80    |          |
| Burkley & Tierney                  | 93 60    |          |
| Carpenter & Dudley                 | 41 60    |          |
| Danforth & Co.                     | 52 00    |          |
| Davis & Co., H. V.                 | 41 60    |          |
| Dugan, Humphreys & Co.             | 41 60    |          |
| Ferguson, Scott & Harris           | 83 20    |          |
| German Insurance Co. of Louisville | 41 60    |          |
| Gray & Son. J. S.                  | 72 80    |          |
| Hummel & Meyer                     | 52 00    |          |
| Hunter & Hellman                   | 145 60   |          |
| Jefferson, Noyes & Embry           | 20 80    |          |
| Lang, Chas. A.                     | 20 80    |          |
| Lang, Henry H.                     | 20 80    |          |
| McAtee & Co.                       | 20 80    |          |
| Macpherson & Co.                   | 166 40   |          |
| Mann, Owen R.                      | 72 80    |          |
| Miller & Co., Edw. J.              | 93 60    |          |
| Pirtle & Weaver                    | 62 40    |          |
| Poutch & McBride Agency            | 41 60    |          |
| Slaughter & Co., J. B.             | 62 40    |          |
| Timberlake & Trueheart             | 72 80    |          |
| Tippett & Walker                   | 20 80    |          |
| Todd & Co., J. M.                  | 20 80    |          |
| Viglioni & Co.                     | 20 80    |          |
| Wanner & Co., Julius               | 20 80    | 1 856 40 |

TOTAL ----- \$8 928 40

MINUTES APPROVED

E. L. Powell President  
Geo. T. Settle Assistant Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting November 14, 1917 at 5 p. m. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Powell, Powers, Ossmann, Hemphill, Thalheimer,  
O'Brien, Ray, Herr, and Settle.

Both the president and vice-president being absent, upon  
motion Dr. Powell presided.

The minutes of the meeting of September 12, 1917 were read  
and upon motion approved.

The minutes of October 10, 1917 showing the action of the  
Executive Committee, were read and approved. Upon motion of  
Mr. Herr the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

November 14, 1917

RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the Louisville  
Free Public Library that the action of the Execu-  
tive Committee of said Board in ordering paid the  
current expenses and other necessary expenditures  
of said Board, by reason of the fact that said Board  
failed to have a meeting during the month of October  
1917, be and hereby confirmed and ratified at the  
meeting of said Board held on the regular day for the  
monthly meeting of said Board, viz; second Wednesday  
in November 1917.

The action of the Executive Committee in appointing Miss  
Carolyn E. Adelberg, Librarian's Secretary, as Library Publicity  
Director for Kentucky, under the United States Food Administration,  
to remain on the library pay roll, was approved. The U. S. Food  
Administration at Washington and Mr. Fred M. Sackett, Federal Food  
Commissioner for Kentucky, in writing requested that the Library  
loan the services of an assistant.

The National War Council of the American Library Association,  
which is part of the Fosdick Commission, asked the Librarian to  
assume charge of the library work at Camp Zachary Taylor. He is

to give time to this work in addition to his usual library duties. Upon motion this request was granted. The American Library Association has raised \$1,400,000. and the Carnegie Foundation donated \$320,000. for library buildings, equipment and maintenance for the thirty-two cantonments.

Attention was called to the gift of a set of money scales by the American-Southern National Bank through Earl S. Gwin, president. Upon motion the Board voted thanks for this gift.

The Librarian called attention to the fact that two negro girls, Mattie Herd from Birmingham, Ala. and Mary Miller from Knoxville, Tenn., are being trained at the colored branch libraries, for library work in their respective cities. Buildings are being erected in these two cities and just as soon as they are finished this course of training, they will be given charge. We have trained in our colored branches young women for similar work at Cincinnati, Nashville, Evansville, Memphis, Houston and Atlanta.

The Treasurer's report was submitted by Mr. Herr, a member of the Finance Committee. The report stated that there was \$1776.50 cash on hand. To this is to be added \$3000. from rent Kaufman-Straus Co., making a total of \$4776.50.

The Finance Committee submitted the following budget for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1918 signed by Thomas A. Barker, chairman of the Finance Committee, Bennett H. Young, chairman of the Library Committee, and E. J. O'Brien, chairman of the Building Committee:

| RECEIPTS                |                  |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| Balance                 | \$ 2 54          |
| City taxes              | 65 267 74        |
| Fines, lost books, etc. | 3 744 27         |
| Rents                   | <u>36 000 00</u> |
| TOTAL -----             | \$105 014 55     |

## EXPENDITURES

|                                 |                 |                         |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Expense                         |                 | \$ 6 500 00             |
| Light, power                    | 3 300 00        |                         |
| Heat                            | <u>7 500 00</u> | 10 800 00               |
| Repairs and improve-<br>ments   |                 | 2 000 00                |
| Furniture and fixtures          |                 | 500 00                  |
| Insurance                       |                 | 4 100 00                |
| Interest (on loans)             |                 | 500 00                  |
| Salaries                        |                 |                         |
| Libn. and Assts. *              | 43 940 60       |                         |
| Sunday Service                  | 1 014 00        |                         |
| Holiday Service                 | <u>358 75</u>   |                         |
|                                 | 45 313 35       |                         |
| Janitor and other<br>labor      | <u>7 267 00</u> | 52 580 35               |
| Books                           |                 |                         |
| Volumes                         | 7 607 45        |                         |
| Subscriptions                   | 2 918 15        |                         |
| Binding and rebinding           | <u>2 008 60</u> | <u>12 534 20</u>        |
| CURRENT MAINTENANCE TOTAL ----- |                 | \$ 89 514 55            |
| Interest on mortgage            |                 | <u>15 500 00</u>        |
|                                 |                 | TOTAL -----\$105 014 55 |

\* Includes raises only for assistants drawing a salary of less than fifty dollars per month.

The recommendation that any amounts remaining on other accounts be transferred to the book account, was approved. Upon motion the budget was approved and adopted.

The Librarian's report for the month was received and ordered filed. The report showed a circulation of 105,988 volumes. This includes 57,573 books read by adults and 48,415 by children. The report stated that 10,430 reference topics were looked up at the Main library and branches.

Dr. Hemphill stated that the reason he had not attended one or two recent meetings was that he was out of the city.

Dr. Powell made the same statement.

The recommendation that leave of absence for one year without pay be granted Elise M. Vitz, an assistant in the Order Department, to attend the Cleveland Public Library Training School for Children's Librarians, was approved.



Bills for the month, after having been audited and approved  
by the Library Committee, were upon motion ordered paid:

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| American Book Co.                      | \$ 13 46 |
| American Concrete Institute            | 11 00    |
| A. L. A. Publishing Board              | 7 00     |
| American Social Hygiene Assn. Inc.     | 2 00     |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                  | 141 18   |
| Arctic Ice Co.                         | 10 57    |
| Atlas Coal Co.                         | 116 00   |
| Baldwin Law Book Co.                   | 1 25     |
| Baptist Book Concern                   | 2 24     |
| Becker, Vernon W.                      | 1 50     |
| Bland Electric Co.                     | 16 05    |
| Bloom, Levi                            | 45 00    |
| Boston Book Co.                        | 2 25     |
| Bowker Co., R. R.                      | 1 40     |
| Bowling Green Garage                   | 8 55     |
| Bowman, Hite D.                        | 37 07    |
| Brentano's                             | 4 19     |
| Brown and Martin                       | 27 00    |
| Bywater Bros.                          | 13 50    |
| Carter Dry Goods Co.                   | 4 16     |
| Central Glass Co.                      | 2 00     |
| City Club of Chicago                   | 1 00     |
| Clegg & Co., F. A.                     | 25 93    |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.                     | 4 74     |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co. | 29 21    |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                    | 3 75     |
| Evans Studio                           | 2 00     |
| Falls City Buggy Top Co.               | 9 23     |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                    | 34 79    |
| Filson Club                            | 2 00     |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                  | 12 25    |
| Gaylord Bros.                          | 69 00    |
| Geher & Son                            | 9 90     |
| Gray Motor Car Service                 | 11 50    |
| Gulf Refining Co.                      | 3 90     |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Department)  | 25 11    |
| Harbison and Gathright                 | 3 00     |
| Hoke, T. J.                            | 1 50     |
| Houglund Bros. Co.                     | 52 70    |
| Hubbuck Bros. and Wellendorff          | 1 90     |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                     | 620 62   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                 | 246 96   |
| Kendrick's Sons, Wm.                   | 8 50     |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.          | 9 63     |
| Krausgill Piano Co.                    | 2 00     |
| Lampton, Crane and Ramey Co.           | 32 98    |
| Library Bureau                         | 6 48     |
| Longmans, Green and Co.                | 80 36    |
| Long's Towel Supply Co.                | 8 00     |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.        | 114 13   |
| Louisville Herald                      | 1 74     |

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| Louisville Motors Co.               | \$ | 5 85              |
| Louisville Paper Co.                |    | 12 00             |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.         |    | 6 49              |
| McHenry, John J.                    |    | 18 00             |
| Mackenzie, George Norbury           |    | 15 25             |
| Martin Broom and Mop Co., W. L.     |    | 17 55             |
| Mayes Printing Co.                  |    | 26 00             |
| Miller & Co., Edw. J.               |    | 45 00             |
| Morton & Co., John P.               |    | 103 45            |
| National Genealogical Society       |    | 2 00              |
| Newhall, Daniel H.                  |    | 13 50             |
| Notbohm, H. A.                      |    | 58 00             |
| Parish Choir                        |    | 5 41              |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.             |    | 3 00              |
| Pell and Bro., Wm. B.               |    | 6 75              |
| Remington Typewriter Co.            |    | 100 35            |
| Robinson, Norton and Co., J. M.     |    | 10 50             |
| Sargent, Porter E.                  |    | 2 25              |
| Schardein and Sons, F. S.           |    | 9 30              |
| Settle, George T. (Petty Cash)      |    | 88 84             |
| Skilton Ice Co.                     |    | 3 10              |
| Smith and Dugan                     |    | 4 50              |
| Standard Oil Co.                    |    | 50 65             |
| Stewart Co., W. K.                  |    | 484 68            |
| Stewart Co., W. K.                  |    | 2034 35           |
| Stilz, Henry G.                     |    | 1 55              |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                |    | 5 00              |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. |    | 156 45            |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                   |    | 108 70            |
|                                     |    | <u>\$ 5300 65</u> |

Pd) George T. Settle, Librarian (Pay Roll) 4232 15

Total -----\$ 9532 80

The following letter to the Building Committee was submitted  
by Mr. E. J. O'Brien, chairman:

October 3, 1917

Hon. E. J. O'Brien,  
Chairman Building Committee  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to and in compliance with our conversation of this morning relative to the request of the Kaufman-Straus Co., tenants of the old Polytechnic Society Building, owned by the Library Trustees, located on Fourth Street, between Walnut and Green, I desire hereby to submit in writing the several phases of the proposition as outlined tentatively to you. I shall be pleased if you will submit the facts herein contained, to your Board, and will furnish any further

advise of which they may be desirous at any time that your Board may command me.

The lease under which the Kaufman-Straus Co. is now the tenant of your Board became operative in February, 1913, and there remain ten years from February 1918, before the termination of tenancy under the lease. As you well recall, the provisions of the lease are to the effect that the Library Trustees, being the landlord, are obligated to make no repairs upon the building except such repairs as may become necessary to the roof and sidewalk. No other obligation of any sort is attached to the landlord. We recognize that there is a full responsibility upon the tenant to keep the building in good, tenantable repair and to make such additions, alterations or improvements as it may see fit, subject to the approval of the Library Trustees.

During the currency of this lease, the Kaufman-Straus Co. has abided strictly by the terms of same and has not, save in a few minor instances, sought the slightest variation from the terms of the lease or any concessions from the landlord.

A condition has arisen, however, which, in the judgment of my client, warrants varying from its heretofore practice of abiding strictly by the terms of the lease and justifies a request which it hereby sees fit to make for certain alterations which have not become practically imperative to further tenancy.

The passenger elevators now installed in the building have become thoroughly antiquated, after having been in operation about fifteen years. With great difficulty and at large expense in the matter of repairs in recent years, client has succeeded in obtaining a permit to operate these elevators by insurance inspectors and by City inspectors. There is, it is feared, a condition of danger imminent in the further operation of these cars. Furthermore, the repair bill has become all out of proportion to reasonable expectancy of wear and tear, and the situation is such that a drastic change becomes necessary. My client has conferred with architects and engineers and the conclusion has been reached by all persons concerned that the only remedy lies in the installation of four new elevators, modern, equipped with devices of safety which will make for the proper protection of customers of our establishment.

At the present time client is undertaking repairs and alterations in the building, a great part of which will become permanent and attach to the building, in a sum approximated at about \$40,000.00. Client does not feel justified in undertaking the expenditure which would become necessary for the installation of new elevators on property which does not belong to it and for which there remains a tenancy, under the current lease, of only ten more years.

Client has had prepared estimates and it now appears that the cost of installation of a battery of four passenger elevators, placed side by side on the south wall, of the store where there are now two elevators, would be approximately \$21,000.00. This estimated cost includes installation of mechanical equipment, the carrying cars and attractive fronts for the elevators.

My proposition to you this morning; which I now reiterate with the full authority of my client, is, that the Kaufman-Straus Co. hereby offers to pay to the Library Trustees an interest charge of eight per cent. per annum on whatever expense may be incurred by the Trustees in the installation of the elevators proposed, said cost being approximated at about \$21,000. Client proposes to pay this eight per cent, during the entire term of the present lease and, should a renewal of tenancy be effected at the end of the lease, to continue thereafter to pay the eight per cent. per annum on the cost of elevator installation, during such renewal and extended term.

It has occurred to the Kaufman-Straus Co. that if you have the right to borrow money, you might be able to obtain a loan at the rate of four or five per cent. and thereby receive a bonus of three or four per cent. from the tenant on interest-carrying charges.

Should your Board, on the advice of counsel, conclude that you have not the right under your charter to borrow money, I have this further suggestion to offer: That my client be permitted to install the elevators with its own funds and that it be permitted to subtract from its annual rental of \$36,000. one-tenth of the total cost of construction of the elevators annually, beginning with the ten-year unexpired term which starts in February, 1918. In other words, if the elevators should cost \$20,000. the Kaufman-Straus Co. would deduct, beginning with February, 1918, \$2,000 per year from the rent; or, if the elevators should cost \$22,000, deduct \$2,200 per year from the rent. In addition to this proposition, client would pay your Board a bonus of three per cent. of the total cost of the elevators, each and every year for the ten years unexpired under the present lease.

As a third proposition, I submit that any plan which your Board may see fit to make in counter to the Kaufman-Straus Co. suggestions which will mean an average outlay to it of about eight per cent. on the cost of the installation of elevators, will be agreeable and acceptable.

The property in question belongs to the Library Trustees, and it occurs to client that it would be a splendid enhancement of the value of the structure to

have modern, well-equipped elevators installed. The Kaufman-Straus Co. has not, as I have said before, made a practice of asking favors or consideration from the Library Trustees, having stood firmly upon its contract, and in making this request of your Board it feels that it is offering a fair and reasonable business proposition which will appeal to you gentlemen as business men.

This much, at least, is certain - that the present elevators have become intolerable, and I do not believe that your Board will see fit to stand by the terms of the lease so hard and fast as to say that no condition might arise which would cause you to alter in the slightest degree the terms of this lease, when such condition would be in no manner caused by the fault of tenant.

I shall, if your Board desires, be pleased to meet with you at any time that might be named and I shall upon such occasion, should your invitation come, be prepared with figures and estimates from elevator builders as to specific and definite cost of construction. This condition is an emergency and I shall, therefore, be obliged, as will my client, if you will give same early and careful consideration.

Respectfully yours,

(Signed) Ben. S. Washer.

Upon motion, the City Attorney was requested to submit a written opinion on the legality and right of the Board to make certain changes in the Public Library building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Co. At this point Dr. Hemphill moved that the Board adjourn to meet Friday, November 16, at 4 p. m. in the Librarian's office, to receive this opinion. When his attention was called to the fact that several items were to be considered before adjournment, he deferred this motion until business would be completed, which was approved.

This matter had been considered by the Building Committee and the City Attorney had been requested to give his opinion in writing but he preferred that the Board make the request.

The recommendation of the Building Committee that the contract with Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. for light, heat

and power which expires November 21, be renewed for one year was approved. Light and power rate is the same as in the old contract but the heat has been increased from \$2296. to \$4190.

The recommendation of the Building Committee that the balance of \$218.67, due on heat account with Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. since the first month of the first contract, ten years ago, upon motion was ordered paid.

The letter under date September 12, 1917 from Mr. Lee E. Cralle was read. The Building Committee reported that they had not been able to reach any decision and deferred the matter back to the Library Board. Upon motion the Building Committee was authorized to confer with Mr. Cralle or a committee representing Mr. Cralle and agree on a price for the four inches that he wishes to buy, this to be referred back to the Board of Trustees for final action.

Upon motion the Board adjourned to meet Friday, November 16, at 4 p. m. in the Librarian's office.

MINUTED APPROVED

Dec 12 - 1917

Goldwinger, E. H. President  
J. T. Settle <sup>Asst.</sup> Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Special called meeting of Board of Trustees on Tuesday, November 20, 1917  
at 4 p. m. in the Librarian's Office

At the last regular meeting of the Board on November 14, a motion was carried asking the City Attorney for a written opinion on the legality and right of the Board to make certain changes to the elevators in the Public Library building, and the Board adjourned to meet on Friday, November 16, to consider and act on the matter after the opinion from the City Attorney had been received.

In answer to our request for an opinion, we received his letter of November 15, 1917, herewith recorded, in which he stated that it would be impossible for him to submit a written opinion by that time, Friday, November 16:

November 15, 1917

Mr. Pendleton Beckley,  
City Attorney  
City Hall,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

The Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library at their regular monthly meeting Wednesday, November 14, upon motion requests you as City Attorney to give them in writing your opinion on the legality and right of the library to make certain changes in the elevators in the Public Library building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Co.

We have submitted to you a copy of the lease and a copy of the letter from Mr. Ben S. Washer, attorney representing Kaufman-Straus Co., outlining their propositions. The Building Committee suggests that you include in your letter answers to the following questions:

- 1) Can the Library under its present lease place these elevators as requested?
  - a) By borrowing money for the purpose?
  - b) By deducting money from the rent?
- 2) If the Library Board should agree to

either of the propositions made by Kaufman-Straus Company, would it void the present lease?

3) Is it good public policy for the Board of Trustees of a city institution to void a lease with ten years to run and with the right of renewal for an additional twelve years?

4) Could any city taxpayer file suit against the Library Board or any member of the Library Board if this lease should be rescinded, and a new one calling for less rent should be accepted?

5) Under our charter, how many votes in the affirmative are necessary to make these changes?

6) The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York holds a mortgage on this building. Is it necessary to make them a third party in the contract and have their consent to make these changes? This mortgage for \$310,000. is due in June 1918.

The Board adjourned to meet Friday, November 16, at 4 p.m. in the Librarian's office to act on this question after receiving your opinion.

Will it be possible for you to let me have your opinion in writing to be presented at this meeting? If not, let me hear from you at once.

Thanking you for your interest in the Library, I am,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) George T. Settle

Librarian.

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November 16, 1917

Board of Trustees of the  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
City.

Gentlemen:

In a letter of November 15th from Librarian George T. Settle I am advised that the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library at their regular monthly meeting, Wednesday, November 14th, upon motion duly carried, requested me as City Attorney to give an opinion in writing on the legality and right of the Board to make certain changes in the elevators in the Public Library building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Co., and requesting that, in writing the opinion, I do so with reference to certain questions set forth in the letter.



As I have stated before, for me to render an opinion on legal matters to the Board of Trustees of the Library seems an act of supererogation. With Gen. Bennett H. Young and Messrs. Thomas A. Barker and Hardin Herr members of the Board, I feel that no board could be better supplied with legal advice, and as a member of the bar, putting aside my own official position, I know of no three men whose opinion on legal matters would have greater influence with me.

A legal opinion is not conclusive. It is merely the best judgment of one lawyer as to the law to be applied upon the facts presented, and as every law suit which is won, is at the same time lost, fifty per cent of the lawyers are always wrong.

Now, as to the matter before me. Some ten days ago I was advised by Mr. Settle that the Building Committee desired to consult me in a matter with reference to the library. I told him that I would be glad to meet with these gentlemen at any time. Pursuant to this, a meeting of this committee was called in my office and at that meeting several phases of this question were discussed. I was asked to write an opinion to the Board of Trustees on the points covered. As the Board of Trustees, however, had not requested an opinion from me, I suggested to the Building Committee that I would prefer to wait until such a request was made, if indeed the Board of Trustees desired my opinion in the matter. This written opinion is, therefore, as near as I can recall the same opinion rendered by me verbally to the Building Committee.

The questions propounded are as follows:

1. "Can the Library under its present lease place these elevators as requested?
  - a. By borrowing money for the purpose?
  - b. By deducting money from the rent?

1. There is no authority under the lease for the Board of Trustees to spend any money whatever upon elevators in the Library Building. Section 10 of the lease is as follows:

"The party of the second part is to take good care of the property and make all repairs necessary for its proper preservation and use, except that first party shall keep the roof and the sidewalks in front of such building in repair, but first party shall be put to no other expense whatever for the repair, maintenance, or operation of said Building."

Not only does the lessor in the above section provide that the lessee shall make all repairs necessary for the proper preservation and use of the building, but in the latter part of this section in order to emphasize

this fact, further provides that the lessor shall be put to no other expense whatever for the repair, maintenance or operation. In my judgment, Sections 11 and 12 of the lease by analogy strengthen this conclusion. Under the lease, therefore, I am of opinion that there is not only no obligation, but no legal right, possessed by the Board of Trustees to install these elevators.

a. Under the act of the Legislature creating the Board of Trustees, no authority for borrowing money is provided except for the purpose of erecting the Library Building, and in addition to this, the right to incur liability for any current year is limited to the annual income of the Board, including gifts and donations and unexpended balance, if any.

b. As the lease with Kaufman-Straus Co. is an asset of the Board of Trustees I am of opinion that as long as the lease is a valid and subsisting obligation between the Board of Trustees and the Kaufman-Straus Co. no deduction of rental can be legally made.

2. "If the Library should agree to either of the propositions made by Kaufman-Straus Company, would it void the present lease?"

This is answered above. While the lease is in existence, I am of opinion that there is no authority vested in the Board to lessen the rental. Of course, a landlord, with the consent of the lessee, can vary the terms of any lease unless the landlord is acting in the capacity of trustee of an actual or implied trust. This phase of the question will be noted later.

3. "Is it good public policy for the Board of Trustees of a city institution to void a lease with ten years to run and with the right of renewal for an additional twelve years?"

The Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library is composed of our most prominent citizens, the best lawyers, and most successful business men in the City of Louisville. I feel that they are as competent of deciding a question of public policy as I am.

4. "Could any city taxpayer file suit against the Library Board or any member of the Library Board if this lease should be rescinded, and a new one calling for less rent should be accepted?"

Any taxpayer of the City of Louisville could bring suit against the Board of Trustees at any time. The Board of Trustees represent the public. Public money is entrusted to their care for expenditure according to law. If a taxpayer could allege and prove in an action

against the Board of Trustees that the public funds entrusted to the Board had been misapplied or expended contrary to law, I am of opinion that a recovery could be had against the Trustees. If, on the other hand, it should be shown that upon any state of facts the Board of Trustees acted wisely, having in consideration at all times the public good, no recovery in my judgment could be obtained.

No facts whatever are presented as to why the lease between the Board of Trustees and the Kaufman-Straus Company should be rescinded. In the absence of such facts such recession must be viewed as a gratuity, for which no legal authority exists.

5. "Under our charter, how many votes in the affirmative are necessary to make these changes?"

Under sub-section 4 of Section 2801b of the Kentucky Statutes, it is provided:

"No appropriation of money, except for ordinary or current expenditures, shall be made unless upon the affirmative vote of a majority of its members."

I am of opinion that this clause would govern.

6. "The Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York holds a mortgage of this building. Is it necessary to make them a third party in the contract and have their consent to make these changes? This mortgage for \$310,000. is due in June, 1918."

I have not examined the mortgage between the Board of Trustees of the Library and the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York. If the lease to Kaufman-Straus Co. was in existence at the time of the execution of this mortgage and the mortgage was in any way based upon this statement, it would not only be necessary to notify the Insurance Company of any change contemplated in the lease, but would doubtless be necessary to have their consent in writing to any modification or change.

In answering the above questions I am not unmindful of Section 162 of the Constitution of Kentucky, which is as follows:

"No county, city, town or other municipality shall ever be authorized or permitted to pay any claim against it, under any agreement or contract made without express authority of law, and all such unauthorized agreements or contracts shall be null and void."

I think this section must be read in connection with the authority granted by the act under which the

Board of Trustees is created. In Section 3 of that act we find that the said Trustees shall have power to control, manage and use property entrusted to their care as it may deem proper, not, however, in conflict with this act or with the Constitution or laws of this State or of the United States, "to use, manage and improve, sell and convey, rent or lease property." I am of opinion, therefore, that the authority to lease is the authority to release. As the Trustees, however, are public servants, charged with a public trust, this power to change in giving up or in the surrender of something which must be considered a public asset, should be entered into only after the facts and circumstances are made clear in order that such acts can be clearly outlined and supported in court in case a suit to enjoin the act is brought by a taxpayer.

I have discussed the legal questions involved in this opinion with Mr. Clements, Assistant City Attorney, who also had a consultation with Mr. Settle, the Librarian, while I was absent in Washington on legal business for the city, and he concurs with me in reference to same.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) Pendleton Beckley

City Attorney

Mr. Beckley's letter of November 15, 1917 is as follows:

November 15, 1917

Mr. George T. Settle, Librarian.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of November 15th has just been handed me by messenger.

It would be impossible, in view of the work devolving upon me within the next twenty-four hours, to give you the opinion requested in your letter. As soon as possible I will write out this opinion and send it to the Board of Trustees.

I notice that in the questions asked there are included questions of public policy. I take it that this is a matter which concerns the Trustees of the Public Library alone and that it will only be necessary for me to answer such questions as pertain to the legality of action by the Board of Trustees.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Pendleton Beckley

City Attorney

The meeting was held upon the following call:

November 15, 1917

Board of Trustees  
Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

Mr. E. J. O'Brien, Mr. William Thalheimer, Mr. Thomas A. Barker and Mr. Hardin Herr join in calling a meeting of the Board of Trustees for Tuesday, November 20, at 4 p.m. in the Librarian's office. This meeting is called to act on the request of Kaufman-Straus Company to make certain repairs and changes to the elevators in the Public Library building.

The Board of Trustees at their last regular meeting adjourned to meet Friday, November 16, but since the City Attorney could not give his opinion on this matter by that time, the meeting has been postponed and the call made as above.

This is an important meeting as expenditure of a considerable amount of library funds is involved. The attendance of the entire membership of the Board is urged. I am enclosing a card. Please advise whether or not we may expect you.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) George T. Settle

Assistant Secretary

Present: Mayor Smith, Thalheimer, O'Brien, Powell, Bartholomew, Barker, Ray, Hemphill, Ossmann, Herr and Settle.

In the absence of the president and vice-president, upon motion Dr. Powell was made temporary chairman.

Gen. Young and Col. Powers came in at this time.

Upon motion of Mr. O'Brien, Mayor Smith was chosen as president of the Board.

The Secretary read the communication from Kaufman-Straus Company through Mr. Ben. S. Washer, attorney, which was presented

at the previous meeting and appears on page 344, and also the written opinion of Pendleton Beckley, city attorney, which appears on page 350. The president then announced that the matters therein contained were open for discussion by the Board. After a full and free discussion, Mr. Barker moved that the propositions of Kaufman-Straus Company relative to the installation of elevators be declined. Upon motion the yeas and nays were called. Those voting yea were: Smith, Young, O'Brien, Barker, Powers, Powell, Ossmann, Hemphill, Ray, Herr, Bartholomew. Those voting nay were: Thalheimer. Yeas 11, nays 1. The president announced that the motion was carried and the propositions declined. Each member of the Board voting "yea" as his name was called said that in view of the legal opinion of the City Attorney only one course of action was open to him, namely to cast his vote respectively as it is reported.

Upon motion the Board then adjourned.

Approved:

Dec 12 - 1917

Goldwin Smith President  
Geo. T. Seitz asst. Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Monthly Meeting December 12, 1917 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's  
Office

Present: Mayor Smith, Young, Powell, Ossmann, O'Brien, Mullins  
Barker, Ray, Herr and Settle.

President Smith in the chair.

In the absence of Professor Bartholomew, secretary, the Assistant  
Secretary acted.

The minutes of the regular meeting, November 14, and of the  
special called meeting of November 20 were read and upon motion approved.

The Assistant Secretary announced that Prof. Bartholomew and  
Dr. Hemphill were ill and that they had sent word that they regretted  
that they were not able to be present.

The Treasurer's report was read by Mr. Barker, Chairman of the  
Finance Committee, and ordered filed. The report showed a cash  
balance on December 1 of \$2,496.98 and stated that \$3,000.00 was to  
be added to this from rent Public Library building, making a total  
of \$5,496.98.

The Librarian's report for November was read, approved, and or-  
dered filed. It stated that the circulation for home use was 111,772  
volumes. This included 59,445 books read by adults and 52,327 by  
children. The report showed that 2,957 reference topics were looked  
up at the Main library, 3,826 at the branches and 3,431 at the high  
schools, a total of 10,214, an increase of 552 over the same month  
last year.

The report of the Library Committee was considered item by item:

The recommendation that Laura M. Fay, assistant in the Children's  
Department, be granted leave of absence for one year without pay, to  
prepare to enter the training class for children's librarians at

Cleveland, upon motion was approved.

The recommendation that Esther Spohn, assistant in the Stations Department, be granted leave of absence for three months without pay to go to Houston, Texas, upon motion was approved.

These positions are to be filled by substitutes from the eligible list.

The recommendation that the December salaries due January 1 be paid before Christmas, upon motion was approved.

The recommendation that the Librarian be authorized to assign members of the staff and apprentices on the eligible list to fill schedule hours at the Main library and branches on Sundays and holidays when volunteers are not available, upon motion was approved.

The recommendation that the offer of Captain J. F. C. Hegevals, 1391 S. Third Street, to loan to the Museum an Indian suit be accepted, upon motion was approved. This loan is accepted under the usual conditions, without liability and subject to order, and with the understanding that we do not guarantee it against fire, loss, theft, etc.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$16,520.33 upon motion was approved. This included the pay roll, \$4,376.45 which had been approved by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid, and interest on mortgage, \$7,750.00 which had been approved by the Chairman of the Finance Committee and paid. The balance of \$4,393.88, covered by voucher 6364, and checks 7929-8014 inclusive upon motion was ordered paid:

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|------------------------------|----|--------|
| Arctic Ice Co.               | \$ | 9 15   |
| Arehart, A. H.               |    | 1.70   |
| Atlas Coal Co.               |    | 324 00 |
| Avery Co., Samuel L          |    | 25 00  |
| Baptist Book Concern         |    | 8 24   |
| Baptist World Publishing Co. |    | 9 25   |



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| Barret Son and Robinson, John J.                | \$ 7 44 |
| Bayly and Co., J. W. E.                         | 27 00   |
| Becker, Vernon W.                               | 1 50    |
| Bell, Mary M.                                   | 14 51   |
| Bland Electric Co.                              | 51 92   |
| Booker and Kinnaird                             | 12 76   |
| Boston Book Co.                                 | 1 89    |
| Brown and Martin                                | 21 26   |
| Breuer and Co.                                  | 27 00   |
| Browder and Hoskins                             | 4 60    |
| Burkley and Tierney                             | 27 00   |
| Bywater Bros.                                   | 3 40    |
| Carpenter and Dudley                            | 18 00   |
| Carter Dry Goods Co.                            | 5 00    |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.          | 29 26   |
| Danforth and Co.                                | 13 29   |
| Davis and Co., H. B.                            | 7 97    |
| Dehler Bros. Co.                                | 15 00   |
| Dugan, Humphreys and Co.                        | 15 95   |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                             | 4 50    |
| Falls City Buggy Top Co.                        | 3 05    |
| Ferguson, Scott and Harris                      | 21 25   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                             | 39 72   |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.                           | 25 50   |
| Fischer Co., Heinrich                           | 28 49   |
| German Insurance Co.                            | 5 31    |
| Gross, Parsons and Hambleton                    | 17 00   |
| Gulf Refining Co.                               | 1 45    |
| Gray and Son, J.S.                              | 15 95   |
| Gray Motor Car Service                          | 13 88   |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Department)           | 26 42   |
| Harbison and Gathright                          | 2 15    |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry                       | 3 02    |
| Hero, J. C.                                     | 5 00    |
| Hill, Walter M.                                 | 28 00   |
| Hoke, T. J.                                     | 1 50    |
| Hougländ Bros. Co.                              | 47 85   |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                              | 28 31   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                          | 247 28  |
| Kentucky Tent and Awning Co.                    | 2 50    |
| Kee Lox Mfg. Co.                                | 4 30    |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.                   | 5 94    |
| Lampton, Crane and Ramey Co.                    | 25 52   |
| Library Bureau                                  | 32 53   |
| Longmans, Green and Co.                         | 9 91    |
| Long's Towel Supply Co.                         | 8 00    |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.                 | 144 48  |
| Louisville Motors Co.                           | 2 10    |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.                     | 11 16   |
| McHenry, John J.                                | 27 63   |
| Marine Electric Co.                             | 4 95    |
| Mann, Owen R.                                   | 7 97    |
| Mayes Printing Co.                              | 3 00    |
| Mill Remnants Co.                               | 54 25   |
| Morton and Co., John P.                         | 218 41  |
| Murphy and Bro. D. X.                           | 579 46  |
| National Commission for Prevention of Blindness | 2 00    |
| National Municipal League                       | 5 00    |
| Pauch and McBride Agency                        | 18 00   |
| Presser Co., Theo.                              | 11 90   |

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| Quick Tire Service Co.               | \$ 36 25   |
| Ramser Sons, Geo.                    | 6 10       |
| Remington Typewriter Co.             | 1 00       |
| Rautlinger and Co.                   | 2 66       |
| Robinson, Wilson and Long            | 18 00      |
| Rochester Re-Inking Works            | 1 58       |
| Schardein and Son, F. S.             | 5 80       |
| Scribner Sons, Charles               | 93 00      |
| Settle, George T. Libn. Petty Cash   | 105 34     |
| Slaughter and Co., J. B.             | 21 26      |
| Southeastern Paper Co.               | 5 75       |
| Standard Oil Co.                     | 47 29      |
| Standard Printing Co.                | 2 50       |
| Stewart Co., Inc., W. K.             | 539 89     |
| Stone and Gnau                       | 31 89      |
| Thomas Publishing Co.                | 10 00      |
| Timberlake and Turehart              | 15 96      |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                 | 5 00       |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.  | 1014 28    |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                    | 3 60       |
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| Pd) Mutual Life Ins. Co. of New York | 7750 00    |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Libn. Pay Roll   | 4376 45    |
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|                                      | \$16520 33 |

Upon motion of Mr. Herr the president is authorized to sign the voucher check for the pay roll after it has been approved by the Librarian, Chairman of the Library Committee and signed by the Treasurer as heretofore.

Dr. Powell moved that all of the libraries with the exception of the Main library and Western Colored Branch be closed on Sundays beginning December 23 with a view to cooperating with the Fuel Conservation Program of the Government. When this motion was seconded by Dr. Mullins, Mr. Herr called for a yea and nay vote. Yeas: Smith, Young, Powell, Ossmann, O'Brien, Mullins, Barker, Ray and Herr. Nays: none. The motion carried.

The committee to extend library privileges to Jefferson County (Young, O'Brien, Barker, Settle) had no report to make. Upon motion this committee was authorized to appear before the authorities at the proper time to make the offer to continue library

privileges to Jefferson County for \$5,000.

Mr. Barker of the committee (Finance Committee) to renew mortgage on the public library building, stated that he had spoken to Judge Grubbs who represents the Mutual Life Insurance Company in regard to renewing the mortgage and that Judge Grubbs had said he thought there would be no difficulty in renewing it, the only question would be the amount of interest to be paid. Upon motion of Dr. Powell, the lawyers on the Board, Gen. Young. Mr. Barker and Mr. Herr were named as a special committee to make recommendation to the Board at its next meeting relative to legislation necessary to take care of the mortgage on the Public Library Building. Mayor Smith said this will be known as the Legislative Committee.

Upon motion of Dr. Powell, the meeting adjourned.

Approved:

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Goldwinger Smith President  
W. B. ... Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting January 9, 1918 at 5 p.m. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Mayor Smith, Young, Powers, Powell, Thalheimer, O'Brien, Barker, Ossmann, Hemphill, Mullins, Ray, Herr, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report which was presented by Mr. Herr and showed a cash balance on January 1 of \$2,746.74 was received and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for December was read, approved, and ordered filed. It stated that the circulation for home use was 81,359 volumes, a decrease of 13,843 volumes over the same month last year. This is attributed to the following reasons:

- 1) Weather conditions, extra cold weather and street cars not running, lack of coal and gas;
- 2) War activities, Readers are putting in more time in Red Cross work, knitting, etc. and less time in reading;
- 3) Reports from city schools are two weeks short on account of schools being closed during cold weather and holidays;
- 4) Reports from county schools have not been received as schools have been closed since December 10 and opened on January 7, 1918.

The report stated that 1,802 topics were looked up at the Main library, 1,422 at the branches and 1,413 at the high schools, a total of 4,637.

The report of the Library Committee was considered item by item:

The recommendation that Mr. L. V. Pottinger, 618 S. Second St., member of the Louisville Radio Club, be given permission to place a bulletin notice at the section of electrical books in the library offering the services of the Radio Club to people interested in electrical subjects was approved.

The recommendation that it was not necessary to send notices to homes where tuberculosis is reported, was approved. This was done for the reason that the disease is a lasting one and these books would be out of circulation for several years before they could be fumigated or destroyed.

The recommendation that a station of the U. S. Post Office be not established at the Main library inasmuch as a bond for \$1000. as required, was approved.

The recommendation that the resignation of Marie Maloney be accepted was approved. Miss Maloney had been granted a six months' leave of absence on account of ill health to go to California. She has decided to remain in California and accepted a position with the San Diego Public Library.

The recommendation that Winifred Hutchings be appointed on the staff, was approved.

The recommendation that a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. Brent Altsheler, 1301 Lincoln Bank Building, for his donation of forty-three volumes on big game hunting, rifle shooting, etc. was approved and the Secretary was instructed to write him.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$6,986.84 upon motion of Dr. Ray, was approved. This included the pay roll, \$4,296.35 which had been approved by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid, and the monthly bills amounting to \$2,690.49 covered by voucher 6366 and checks 8096-8152 inclusive:

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| Atlas Coal Co.               | \$ 233 50 |
| American Library Association | 5 00      |
| Arctic Ice Co.               | 2 85      |
| Baptist Book Concern         | 2 00      |
| Bland Electric Co.           | 4 49      |
| Boston Book Co.              | 1 31      |
| Bowman, Hite D.              | 50 91     |
| Boyleston Publishing Co.     | 9 00      |
| Bywater Bros.                | 13 95     |

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| Cameron Schroth Co.   | \$ 83 60            |
| Clegg and Co., F. A.  | 13 00               |
| Crescent Hill Ice Co.   | 6 05                |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.  | 27 43               |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.   | 2 49                |
| Finck, Carl H.  | 5 40                |
| Franck, Chas. V.  | 3 05                |
| Frey Planing Mill Co.   | 1 50                |
| Gray Motor Car Service  | 18 16               |
| Gulf Refining Co.   | 12 75               |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Department)   | 8 92                |
| Harbison and Gathright  | 3 10                |
| Hart, John  | 10 00               |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry   | 1 00                |
| Herr, Hardin H. - <i>Money advanced for History Public - for Public Library</i> | 3 00                |
| Hoke, T. J.   | 1 50                |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.  | 41 86               |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.  | 1 20                |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.   | 1 35                |
| Korfhage, Herman Co.  | 3 00                |
| Lampton, Crane and Ramey Co.  | 6 24                |
| Library Bureau  | 70 45               |
| Long's Towel Supply   | 8 00                |
| Louisville Auto Supply Co.  | 6 50                |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.   | 155 50              |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.   | 105 75              |
| McClurg and Co., A. C.  | 9 02                |
| McDevitt-Wilson Co. Inc.  | 3 75                |
| Martin Broom and Mop Co., W. L.   | 9 55                |
| Miller, and Co., Edw. J.  | 45 00               |
| Morton and Co., John P.   | 5 40                |
| National Geographic Society   | 4 00                |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.  | 2 35                |
| Quick Tire Service  | 3 25                |
| Ramser Sons   | 24 80               |
| Settle, Geo. T., Librarian (Petty Cash)   | 126 10              |
| Silk Guide, The   | 5 00                |
| Smith and Dugan   | 1 75                |
| Southern Woman's Magazine   | 1 00                |
| Standard Oil Co.  | 39 27               |
| Stewart Co., W. K.  | 654 80              |
| Story Tellers Magazine  | 1 25                |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.  | 5 00                |
| Warner, Roy E.  | 1 50                |
| Webb and Co., Charles   | 8 00                |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.   | 809 74              |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.   | 3 00                |
| Wilson Co., H. W.   | 3 15                |
|   | <u>\$2 690 49</u> ✓ |
| Pd)Settle, Geo. T. Librarian (Pay Roll)   | <u>4 296 35</u> ✓   |
| TOTAL   | \$6 986 84          |

Mr. E. J. O'Brien called the attention of the Board to the request of Kaufman-Straus Company asking the privilege to install elevators in the Public Library building now occupied by them, without cost to this Board. After discussion, General Young made the following motion:

"That Kaufman-Straus Company be authorized to install elevators and to make the necessary changes under the direction of the City Building Inspector after the necessary bond for legal, mutual protection shall be executed, Mr. Straus or Mr. Kaufman's personal bond to be accepted, and the changes herein made shall be reported to the insurance companies having policies upon said building and the insurance company holding mortgage, all without cost to the Library."

This was approved.

Miss Grace Hornaday under the direction of the War Recreation Board was permitted to organize community centers in the branch libraries without cost for room, light, etc. provided the same was done in library hours.

Upon motion of Dr. Mullins, the Special Legislative Committee was empowered to prepare bills incorporating such measures as were necessary to:

- 1) Enable the Board to take care of the mortgage on the Public Library building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Co.
- 2) Enable the Board and the Fiscal Court of Jefferson County to extend library privileges to residents of Jefferson County outside of the city.

These bills are to be prepared and presented at the present session of the Legislature.

The Board then adjourned.

Approved:

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Goldwinigo Smith President  
W. N. Bartlett Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting February 13, 1918 at 5 P. M. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Mayor Smith, Hemphill, Thalheimer, O'Brien, Barker, Herr, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Mr. Herr moved that the Secretary be authorized to sign the bond required by the Building Inspector for making necessary repairs on the Public Library Building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Company. This was approved.

Mr. Herr moved that the letter from W. Edwin Glossop, City Building Inspector, and the letter to Kaufman-Straus Co. written by the Librarian be made a part of the minutes.

January 10, 1918

Kaufman-Straus Co.,  
427 S. Fourth St.,  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

Your request for permission to repair and change elevators was submitted to the Library Board at their meeting on Wednesday, January 9, for approval. Upon motion you are authorized to make these changes subject to supervision of our architect, Mr. W. Edwin Glossop, City Building Inspector.

The motion also requires that you issue a bond, personal bond of either Mr. Straus or Mr. Kaufman as security.

I have notified the insurance agents of these contemplated changes; also the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York, who hold mortgage on the building.

I am instructed by the Board to say you may make these changes and alterations in the elevators without cost to the Library, under the above conditions.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Geo. T. Settle

Librarian



January 19, 1918

Mr. Settle,  
c/o Library Board,  
4th & York Sts.,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:-

I am enclosing herewith blue print showing arrangements of the new doors and the manner in which the pent house will be revised in building for Library Board, now occupied by Kafuman-Straus Co. at 427-437 S. Fourth St. These changes are being made as you are aware by reason of the alterations to the existing elevators.

As advised by you I was appointed by Mayor Smith as architect in advisory capacity and as such made recommendations to Kaufman-Straus Co.'s architects which were incorporated in the drawings. Some requests I could not make as Inspector of Buildings. The blue prints enclosed herewith you will notice have been approved by me. I consulted the Mayor this morning regarding this matter and he advised that I present this information to you direct, to be come records of the Library Board.

As Inspector of Buildings of the City of Louisville I also approved these drawings and have issued Permit for the construction of the foregoing. Before our records can be complete, however, it will be necessary for a representative of the Library Board as owner of the Building to come to this Office and sign Bond. Mr. Straus in behalf of the Kaufman-Straus Co. has signed the Bond as surety and this gives the Library Board full protection. The Library Board should give one of its members or its secretary power to sign for this Bond at one of its regular meetings. Kindly have this done as I have stretched a point in letting Kaufman-Straus Co. have the Permit without owner signing Bond.

I trust that you will see to this at the earliest possible date. This is all that I have to report regarding this work at the present writing. I will visit the building occasionally to see if things are being installed in accordance with the general requirements and practices of good building construction.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) W. Edwin Glossop

Inspector of Buildings

Mr. Barker, chairman of the Finance Committee, submitted the Treasurer's report which showed a cash balance on February 1 of \$3,480.10. Upon motion the same was received and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for January was read, approved and ordered filed. It stated that the circulation for home use was 64,035 volumes,

a decrease of 49,302. This is explained as follows:

- 1) Branch libraries were closed from January 14 to February 4.
- 2) Schools were closed from Jan. 21 to 25, Jefferson County schools to Feb. 4.
- 3) Stations in county were practically closed as they were inaccessible owing to the weather, condition of roads, etc.
- 4) Falling off in the stations on account of the severe weather conditions, heatless Mondays, factories were closed, etc.
- 5) Falling off due to war activities, Red Cross work, entertaining soldiers, knitting, etc.
- 6) Falling off of circulation after 6 p.m. This is attributed to the weather, condition of streets, and street car service.
- 7) Main library closed at 6 p.m. January 14 on account of severe weather-blizzard.

The report stated that 1,861 reference topics were looked up at the Main library, 935 at the branches and 1,031 at the high schools, a total of 3,827.

The report of the Library Committee was considered item by item:

The recommendation that Artie Lee Taylor be given employment as long as her physician certifies she is able to do the work, to be paid according to amount of time put in in the library, was approved.

The recommendation that doctor's bills for the certificates issued members of the staff during measles epidemic be not paid, was approved.

The recommendation that the salary of Minnie Lunn be continued was approved.

The recommendation that Thomas F. Blue be granted indefinite leave of absence without pay was approved. Blue has taken up Army Y.M.C.A. work and has been assigned to Camp Zachary Taylor as Educational Secretary.

The recommendation that Rachel D. Harris be assigned as Acting Branch Librarian at the Western Colored Branch Library and Elizabeth I. Finney as Acting Branch Librarian at the Eastern Colored Branch Library during Blue's absence, each to receive \$65. per month, was approved.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$6,406.26 was approved. This included the pay roll, \$4,046.50, which had been approved by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid, and the monthly bills amounting to \$2,359.76, covered by voucher 6368 and checks 8228 to 8302 inclusive:

|                                      |         |
|--------------------------------------|---------|
| Abell Elevator Co.                   | \$ 5 85 |
| Aldine Book Co.                      | 1 35    |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                | 21 00   |
| Art Publishing Co.                   | 3 50    |
| Atlas Coal Co.                       | 177 74  |
| Baldwin Law Book Co.                 | 3 00    |
| Baptist Book Concern                 | 9 71    |
| Barbee & Castleman                   | 90 00   |
| Bland Electric Co.                   | 9 20    |
| Bloom, Levi                          | 13 29   |
| Bomar-Summers Hardware Co.           | 1 00    |
| Bowen & Co., B. F.                   | 8 00    |
| Bowker & Co., R. R.                  | 25 08   |
| Bowman, Hite D.                      | 29 65   |
| Browder & Hoskins                    | 58 57   |
| Brown & Martin                       | 13 29   |
| Bystander                            | 1 50    |
| Clark Jr. Electric Co., James        | 11 40   |
| Crutcher Bros. Co.                   | 7 50    |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co. | 28 00   |
| Dodd, Robert H.                      | 10 31   |
| Ferguson, Scott & Harris             | 22 50   |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                  | 1 75    |
| Gaylord Bros.                        | 6 05    |
| Gray & Co., James R.                 | 12 50   |
| Gray Motor Car Service               | 14 75   |
| Gulf Refining Co.                    | 33 80   |
| Guntermann, Bertha                   | 25 69   |
| Hammer Printing Co.                  | 3 25    |
| Harbison & Gathright                 | 9 75    |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry            | 4 85    |
| Hoke, T. J.                          | 1 50    |
| Huston, Sam M.                       | 45 00   |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                   | 43 25   |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.               | 17 65   |
| Kirchdorfer, J. C.                   | 23 50   |
| Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.          | 8 07    |
| Korfhage, Herman C.                  | 4 00    |
| Krausgill Piano Co.                  | 1 70    |
| Lampton, Crane & Ramey Co.           | 8 00    |
| Lemcke & Buechner                    | 1 64    |
| Levy Bros.                           | 1 50    |
| Library Bureau                       | 107 52  |
| Longmans, Green & Co.                | 5 41    |
| Long's Towel Supply Co.              | 4 00    |
| Louisville Auto Supply Co.           | 7 58    |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.        | 104 90  |
| Louisville Motors Co.                | 5 00    |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.          | 5 68    |

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|---|------------|
| McHenry, John J.                                | \$22 50    |
| Mayes Printing Co.                              | 17 25      |
| Morton & Co., John P.                           | 18 54      |
| National Conference of Charities and Correction | 3 84       |
| National Conference on City Planning            | 5 00       |
| National Geographic Society                     | 4 00       |
| National Housing Assn.                          | 5 00       |
| National Surety Co.                             | 6 00       |
| Newman, H. W.                                   | 4 10       |
| Office Equipment Co.                            | 3 10       |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                            | 5 58       |
| Quick Tire Service                              | 31 70      |
| Reutlinger & Stith                              | 22 50      |
| Savo Manufacturing Co.                          | 2 50       |
| Settle, Geo. T. Libn., Petty Cash               | 87 03      |
| Slaughter & Co., J. B.                          | 22 50      |
| Southeastern Paper Co.                          | 2 61       |
| Special Libraries Association                   | 2 00       |
| Standard Oil Co.                                | 1 80       |
| Standard Printing Co.                           | 5 05       |
| Stewart Co., Inc., W. K.                        | 198 98     |
| Strauss Grocery Co., Julius                     | 2 60       |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                            | 5 00       |
| Wedekind & Co., H.                              | 5 65       |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.             | 813 10     |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                               | 2 10       |
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|   | \$2 359 76 |
| Pd) Settle, Geo. T. Pay Roll                    | 4 046 50   |

TOTAL-----\$6 406 26<sup>v</sup>

Mr. Barker of the Legislative Committee made the following report:

February 13, 1918

To the Library Board:

Your Committee appointed at the January meeting to draft bills to be presented to the legislature

- 1) Authorizing the Fiscal Court of Jefferson County to contract with the Louisville Free Public Library for use of books for residents and schools in the county
- 2) Authorizing the Louisville Free Public Library to mortgage property or to issue bonds thereon.

met in General Young's office Tuesday, January 29, at noon and later the same day in Mr. Herr's office.

As General Young had business in Frankfort on Thursday, January 30, the Committee suggested that the Librarian accompany him and present these bills to the Legislature on that day.

The first act was introduced in the Senate by Senator H. H. Simms of Jefferson County and by Representative W. P.

McDonogh in the House. Senator Simms said he is in favor of this bill. The second act was introduced in the Senate by Senator W. A. Perry and in the House by Representative Homer McLellen, both of Louisville. Senator Hite Huffaker says he will help us with both bills.

The Fiscal Court of Jefferson County last year contracted to pay \$5,000. for library privileges. This gave the residents of the County every privilege enjoyed by residents of Louisville, and they were allowed the use of the Main library and branches, and could take books out of the buildings for home reading. Fifteen stations were established at points in the county and class room collections placed in all the school buildings. The present Fiscal Court is inclined to renew this contract but Judge John B. Baskin suggested that such a bill be introduced and he O.K.'d this bill before it was taken to Frankfort.

The mortgage on the Public Library Building has been renewed once since it was transferred to the Louisville Free Public Library but the question is now raised that the Public Library has no authority under its charter to mortgage property and pay interest thereon. This bill was introduced to remedy this condition. The mortgage is in the hands of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York.

Copies of both acts are attached.

We are submitting letter from Mr. Brent Altsheler of Jan. 18.

Respectfully submitted

Thomas A. Barker

for Committee

Act I authorizing Fiscal Court of Jefferson County to contract with the Louisville Free Public Library for use of books for residents and schools in the County

AN ACT authorizing the Fiscal Court of counties containing a population of over Two Hundred Thousand (200,000) wherein there is located a city of the first class to contract with the Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library of any such city for the purpose of granting to the residents and schools of such county the same privileges afforded by such library to residents and schools of said city and for the purpose of enabling the said Fiscal Court to appropriate a sum of money annually for the maintenance and support of such library payable out of the county levy funds in its hands.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY:

Section 1. That the Fiscal Court of counties containing a population of over Two Hundred Thousand (200,000) and wherein there is located a city of the first class, may in its discretion, contract with the Board of Trustees of the Free Pub-

lic Library of any such city for the purpose of granting to the residents and schools of such county the same privileges afforded by such library to residents and schools in the said city and the said Fiscal Court is hereby authorized to make such contracts.

The said Fiscal Court may appropriate annually a certain sum of money to the maintenance and support of such library to be payable out of the county levy funds in its hands.

Section 2. The sums mentioned in Section 1 of this act when appropriated by the said Fiscal Court shall be expended by the Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library, if the latter deems it expedient in the establishment of branch stations in various parts of the county outside of the corporate limits of the said cities of the first class, according to such rules and regulations as the said Board may deem best.

Section 3. The laws or statutes in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Section 4. Whereas it is important to the residents of such counties that they have the library facilities mentioned herein at as early a date as possible, therefore an emergency is declared to exist and this act shall take effect from and after it is approved by the Governor.

AN ACT to amend and extend Chapter Seventy-one of the Acts of the General Assembly of The Commonwealth of Kentucky, approved March 21, 1902, entitled "An Act providing for the establishment and maintenance of Free Public Libraries in Cities of the first class (which is also Section 2801b, Sub section 3 of Kentucky Statutes Edition of Anno Domini, One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifteen (A. D. 1915) edited by Honorable John D. Carroll.), and to authorize Free Public Libraries of cities of the first class to mortgage property or to issue bonds thereon, and to authorize cities of the first class to guarantee the payment of any bonds issued by the said Free Public Libraries either the principal or interest or both.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY:

That Chapter Seventy-one (71) of the Acts of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, of the Session of A. D. 1902, being also Section 2801b, Sub section 3, Carroll's Edition Kentucky Statutes, be amended by adding thereto the following:

"The Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library of any City of the first class is hereby given authority to mortgage any or all real property or personal property owned by such library to secure any indebtedness due from the said Corporation.

The said mortgage however not to exceed the sum of Three Hundred and Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$325,000.00)."

So that said Section as amended shall read as follows:

Section 3. The mayor of any such city shall, as soon as practicable after the passage of this ordinance, name twelve trustees, three for a term of one year, three for a term of two years, three for a term of three years, and three for a term of four years; and shall thereafter, in the month of each succeeding year corresponding to the month in which the first appointments are made, in the same manner nominate three trustees for a term of four years. No person shall be eligible to the office of trustee who is not, at the time of his selection, a taxpayer and qualified voter in the city and has not resided therein for two years prior to his selection, and no salary or other compensation shall ever be paid to or received by such trustee for the performance of the duties of his office. The said twelve trustees, together with the mayor of said city, who shall be a trustee by virtue of his office, shall constitute and be styled the Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library, and by said title shall be a corporation with power to make such rules and regulations to govern itself, and for the control, management and use of the property entrusted to its care as it may be deemed proper, not, however, in conflict with this act, or with the Constitution or laws of this State or of the United States, with power to contract and be contracted with, sue and be sued, to defend and be defended in all courts, to acquire by gift, purchase or otherwise, and to hold real and personal property to the use of the public library, for the purpose and intent for which the same may be granted or dedicated; to use, manage and improve, sell and convey, rent or lease property; to erect suitable building or buildings; to have a common seal and change it at pleasure, and to act with or without a seal. Vacancies in the office of trustee shall be reported by the board to the mayor, and shall be filled in like manner as the original appointments. The said trustees shall, before entering upon the duties of their offices, make oath or affirmation before some judicial officer of this Commonwealth to discharge the duties enjoined on them.

The Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library of any city of the first class is hereby given authority to mortgage any or all real property or personal property owned by such library to secure any indebtedness due from the said Corporation.

The said mortgage, however, not to exceed the sum of Three Hundred and Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$325,000.00).

And that said act be further amended by adding thereto the following sections:

Section II. The said Board of Trustees may in their discretion, and if they deem it necessary issue bonds in the sum of not exceeding Three Hundred and Twenty-five Thousand (\$325,000.00) for the purpose of paying off any indebtedness that the Corporation may owe. The said bonds may be secured by any or all real property or personal property owned by said Corporation. The bonds so issued shall be designated as "Library Bonds" and the Board of Trustees shall be an appropriate resolution fix the date and maturity of such bonds the rate of interest they shall

bear, and the form they shall bear, where they shall be payable. The said Board, shall determine when and at what price and how they shall be sold. Provided, that any premium which may be obtained from the sale of said bonds shall constitute a sinking fund for their ultimate retirement. As the bonds are sold, their proceeds shall be placed to the credit of the said Corporation in some bank, or banking institution or Trust Company, but shall be kept in a separate account, and shall be used only for the purpose for which the bonds were issued. The interest on the bonds shall be paid by the said Corporation from the rent or income it may receive from any real property belonging to it.

Section 12. Any City of the first class, having a Free Public Library, organized according to the provisions of the said Chapter Seventy-one (71) of the acts of the General Assembly of The Commonwealth of Kentucky, of 1902 (which is now Section 2801b of the Kentucky Statutes) may by an ordinance provide that the said bonds principal or interest or both may be guaranteed by the City.

When the said ordinance is enacted by the said City the said Bonds shall be endorsed "Guaranteed" and the name of the City guaranteeing attached, and said guarantee shall be signed by the Mayor of the City, and attested by the Comptroller of the City and stamped with the proper seal of the said City of the first class.

Section 13. Because it is important that the Board of Trustees of Free Public Libraries of Cities of the first class, shall have authority to borrow money secured by mortgage or mortgages or to issue bonds for the purpose of paying any indebtedness the Corporation may owe, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this act shall be come a law when approved by the Governor.

Section 14. All acts in conflict with act are hereby repealed.

Section 15. This act is intended to be perfectly distinct and separable. If any part of the same is declared unconstitutional, the remaining portion or portions of the same shall be complete in itself or themselves, and executed in accordance with the remaining part or parts, wholly independent of that portion or portions rejected as being unconstitutional.

LETTER FROM MR. BRENT ALTSHELER

January 18, 1918

Mr. George T. Settle, Librarian,  
Louisville Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Sir:-

After discussing with you and other members of your committee the matter of readjusting your loan on the Kaufman & Straus Building, I wrote to one of the companies I represent,



explaining the complication as to the title, and received a reply as follows:

"Money conditions are so unsettled that interest rates are liable to fluctuate in the next few months, so that an uncertain proposition like the one to which you refer, would be unsatisfactory. If, when the title is in such shape that it could be offered as security for a loan of trust funds, you will write me again, I would be glad to take the matter up at that time."

You will readily understand the difficulty of getting any definite promise from the large lenders at this time. As soon as anything further is done or determined relative to the title, I would be pleased to hear from you and take further steps in connection with the loan.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Brent Altsheler

Mr. Thalheimer moved that the letter from Mr. Altsheler regarding the renewal of the mortgage on the Public Library Building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Co. be referred to the Finance Committee. Upon this motion, the ayes and nays were called with the following result: Ayes: Bartholomew, O'Brien, Thalheimer, Hemphill, Barker, Mayor Smith and Herr. Nays: None.

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Brunett Young President  
W. D. Bartholomew Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

March 13, 1918

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library was not held on the above date because of the absence of a quorum. Six members of the Board were absent from the city, one had an important engagement and six members only had signified their intention to attend, which was one short of a quorum. For this reason the meeting was called off.

The following letter was sent to the Executive Committee by W. H. Bartholomew, Secretary:

March Thirteen  
Nineteen Eighteen

Gen. Bennett H. Young, Chairman,) ( Executive Committee  
Mr. Edward J. O'Brien, )  
Mr. Thomas A. Barker )  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

As Secretary of the Library Board, I herewith respectfully submit the following facts for your information:

Six members only signified their intention to be present at the regular monthly Board meeting on Wednesday, March 13, six members were out of the city and one had an important engagement which prevented his coming. For this reason the regular monthly meeting of the Board was legally impossible.

I have examined the bills for current maintenance voucher 6372, checks 8381 to 8466 inclusive, amounting to \$3,753.84 and report them correct. I suggest that the bills be approved by the members of the Executive Committee for payment.

Please signify your approval and return to the Librarian.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) W. H. Bartholomew

Secretary

Recommendation of Secretary Approved  
(Signed) Thos. A. Barker  
E. J. O'Brien  
Bennett H. Young

The following bills were approved by the Executive Committee for payment:

|                                      |        |
|--------------------------------------|--------|
| Abbott, William                      | \$9 00 |
| Abell Elevator Co.                   | 9 00   |
| Anderson & Co., A. J.                | 34 15  |
| Arabol Mfg. Co.                      | 4 80   |
| Atlas Coal Co.                       | 396 69 |
| Baker & Taylor Co.                   | 9 00   |
| Barbee & Castleman                   | 20 00  |
| Barrett Son & Robinson, John J.      | 10 00  |
| Bland Electric Co.                   | 18 00  |
| Bowman, Hite D.                      | 30 15  |
| Brentano's                           | 1 54   |
| Breuer & Co.                         | 5 00   |
| Browder & Hoskins                    | 23 46  |
| Bywater Bros.                        | 85 05  |
| Carnegie Institution of Washington   | 7 00   |
| Chapman Ins. Agency                  | 12 00  |
| Clark Jr. Electric Co., James        | 5 75   |
| Clegg & Co., F. A.                   | 92 11  |
| Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co. | 30 02  |
| Dictating Machine Co.                | 15 00  |
| Dugan, Humphreys&Co.                 | 9 00   |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                  | 10 50  |
| Encyclopedia Americana Corporation   | 10 00  |
| Gaylord Bros.                        | 20 00  |
| German Insurance Co.                 | 10 00  |
| Gould, Charles E.                    | 12 00  |
| Gray Motor Car Service               | 13 15  |
| Greer & Neumeyer                     | 12 00  |
| Gulf Refining Co.                    | 31 95  |
| Guntermann, Bertha. Order Dept.      | 12 45  |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry            | 2 75   |
| Hilger, William L.                   | 19 40  |
| Hoke, T. J.                          | 1 50   |
| Hougland Bros.                       | 50 25  |
| Hummel & Meyer Ins. Co.              | 10 00  |
| Jefferson, Noyes & Embry             | 20 00  |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                   | 305 98 |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.               | 296 18 |
| Kentucky Tent & Awning Co.           | 12 40  |
| Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.          | 1 89   |
| Krausgill Piano Co.                  | 15 60  |
| Lampton, Crane & Ramey Co.           | 8 00   |
| Lang, Charles A.                     | 10 00  |
| Lang, Henry H.                       | 10 00  |
| Library Bureau                       | 16 50  |
| Longman's Green & Co.                | 2 63   |
| Long's Towel Supply                  | 6 25   |
| Louisville Gas & Electric Co.        | 85 04  |
| Louisville Grocery Co.               | 1 15   |
| Louisville Paper Co.                 | 15 75  |
| Louisville Towel Supply Co.          | 16 66  |
| McAtee & Co., A. H.                  | 10 00  |
| McHenry, John J.                     | 6 00   |
| Mansfield & Son, R.                  | 6 00   |
| Mayes Prt. Co.                       | 4 00   |

For'd. ---\$1 892 70

Brought Forward ---- \$1 892 70

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|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Morton & Co., John P.               | \$20 72      |
| National Child Labor Commission     | 2 00         |
| Newman, H. W.                       | 27 90        |
| Parker Paper Co., J. C.             | 20 15        |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                | 8 47         |
| Presser Co., Theo                   | 2 55         |
| Quick Tire Service                  | 53 65        |
| Ramser's Sons, Geo.                 | 163 50       |
| Remington Typewriter Co.            | 1 20         |
| Reutlinger & Co.                    | 20 00        |
| Robinson, Wilson & Long             | 15 00        |
| Settle, Geo. T. Libn.               | 88 60        |
| Slaughter, T. Grant                 | 82 08        |
| Smith & Dugan                       | 1 75         |
| Southeastern Paper Co.              | 2 07         |
| Southern Historical Society         | 3 00         |
| Standard Oil Co.                    | 2 40         |
| Standard Printing Co.               | 1 60         |
| Stewart Co., Inc., W. K.            | 380.15       |
| Stone & Gnau                        | 57 15        |
| Timberlake & Truehart               | 15 00        |
| Tippett & Walker                    | 10 00        |
| Todd & Co., J. M.                   | 10 00        |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                | 5 00         |
| Vetter & Smith                      | 6 00         |
| Vigliani & Co.                      | 10 00        |
| Wanner & Co., Julius                | 10 00        |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                  | 5 30         |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co. | 761 44       |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                   | 44 71        |
| Wood, Stubbs & Co.                  | <u>29 75</u> |

Pd) Settle, George T. Libn., Pay Roll \$3 753 84  
4 311 35

Pd) Louisville Trust Co., Bills Payable and Interest \$8 065 19  
33 011 11

Pd) Louisville Trust Co., Demand Loan and Interest \$41 076 30  
5 207 50

TOTAL-----\$46 283 80

MINUTES APPROVED

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*Bennett H. Young* President  
*W. H. B. [Signature]* Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular meeting April 10, 1918 at 5 p.m. in the Librarian's Office

Present: Young, Powell, Straus, Ray, Pfingst, Ossmann, Thalheimer, Barker, Hemphill, Bartholomew and Settle.

The minutes of the meeting of February 13, 1918 were read and upon motion approved.

The minutes of March 13, 1918 showing the action of the Executive Committee, were read and approved. Upon motion of Prof. Bartholomew the resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library that the action of the Executive Committee of said Board in ordering paid the current expenses and other necessary expenditures of said board, by reason of the fact that said Board failed to have a meeting during the month of March 1918, be and hereby confirmed and ratified at the meeting of said Board held on the regular day for the monthly meeting of said Board, viz: second Wednesday in April 1918.

The Secretary read the following communication from Mayor George Weissinger Smith naming Judge Frank P. Straus and Dr. Adolph O. Pfingst, trustees, to succeed Mr. E. J. O'Brien and Mr. Hardin H. Herr and reappointing General Bennett H. Young, each for a term of four years. The letter follows:

March 1, 1918

Mr. George T. Settle, Librarian  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:-

Please be advised that I have this day named Gen. Bennett H. Young, Frank P. Straus and Dr. Adolph O. Pfingst as trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library to serve for terms of four years each from the date the oath of office is taken.

You will please notify these gentlemen and arrange with them a suitable time when they may be sworn in.

Yours truly,  
(Signed) Geo. Weissinger Smith  
Mayor

The qualifying certificates which were submitted were ordered filed.

The minutes of the Building Committee meeting on Wednesday March 28 were read and approved.

Present: O'Brien, Mullins, Thalheimer, Ossmann and Consulting Architect of the Library Board, Mr. W. E. Glossop, and Settle.

After a statement of the condition of the south wall by the architect and discussion of the matter by the committee, the following resolution was offered by Dr. Mullins and seconded by Mr. Thalheimer:

THAT we need further information from the Consulting Architect of the Library Board as to the condition of the foundation of the elevator shafts and the south wall before we are in a position to reach a conclusion and make a recommendation.

(Signed) E. J. O'Brien

Chairman

At the request of the Building Committee Mr. W. Edwin Glossop, Consulting Architect of the Library Board, made an examination of the elevator pit and walls around same at the Public Library Building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Co. His letter of March 29 and reports, herewith recorded, confirm the position which the Board has heretofore taken, namely, that Kaufman-Straus Co. be permitted to make the necessary changes without any cost to the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library.

March 29, 1918

Building Committee of the  
Library Board of the City  
of Louisville, City.

Attention of Mr. George T.  
Settle, Librarian

Gentlemen:

Enclosed, herewith, you will find several reports of the writer, as Building Inspector and Consulting Architect of the Library Board, regarding examination of the condition existing in the elevator pit and walls around

same on the south side of the Kaufman-Straus store. I have found, upon investigation made at the building, that there is absolutely no cause for concern regarding the condition of the bearing walls around the elevator shaft, and therefore, see no reason why an allowance should be made by the Library Board to bear on portion of the expense of deepening the elevator pits, which is necessarily caused by the installation of greater speed elevators than were formerly used. This additional depth for the new elevator, is required by city ordinance, and would automatically become a part of the agreement of the Kaufman-Straus company in connection with the present improvements and installation of new elevators.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) W. Edwin Glossop

Inspector of Buildings

Report of Building Inspector W. Edwin Glossop

March 28, 1918

Kaufman-Straus Co.

Underpinning Elevator Pits.

I was called before the Building Committee of the Library Board yesterday afternoon at five o'clock. Mr. E. J. O'Brien, Dr. E. Y. Mullins, Mr. William Thalheimer and Mr. Philip Ossmann comprising the committee, being present. Mr. Settle, the Librarian was also present. Many questions were asked me regarding the condition of the elevator pits to ascertain if the Library Board should bear a portion of the expense of the deepening of the elevator pits. I advised the committee that the deepening of these pits was necessitated by the installation of the new elevators. I stated that at two places where the floor of present pit had been removed, dry sand was displaced, and foundation walls did not have solid bearing, walls, however, are absolutely sound, no cracks being in evidence anywhere.

The question was then asked me, if I felt apprehensive about the other portions of the elevator enclosure walls. I told them that this was a question that I could not report on, as I did not know. Apparently, however, all the walls were sound. I was then asked the question if I thought that the soil under foundation of the south wall of the building proper was in an uncertain condition, as well as the soil under the elevator enclosure walls. I told them that I did not know, but I thought it was sound, from the fact that the walls were all sound. Resolution was then offered by Dr. Mullins, and seconded by Mr. O'Brien, to the effect that as Consulting Architect, I would be instructed to make further observation, and to report to the Mayor and ask for his authority to make this investigation, which would entail some expense.

I called to see the Mayor this morning at 9 O'clock and stated condition to him, and the resolutions of the Building Committee of the Library Board for investigation of the south wall. He asked if this need be done immediately. I told him no. He then instructed me to make no other investigation than to continue supervision of the underpinning of the pit, and see that same was properly installed and to advise the Kaufman-Straus Company to continue as per their original agreement.

March 28th.

Was at the Kaufman-Straus building this morning at 8.30 and found that last night, one pier had been installed under the south-west portion of the elevator pit wall. I could not examine the installation, because the men were at work on the elevator overhead. I did examine sand, which apparently had been removed in placing the pier, and sand was moist and of a good character. Altho it was very fine, it was not of the dry, pulverized character, however. This leaves me to believe that there is no cause for concern regarding stability of the walls or soil, providing the sand is, of course, properly confined in position. I will endeavor to interview the forman of the Henry Bickel Company, that installed this pier, and find out from him just what condition was encountered when the hole was dug. By reason of their having installed this pier, it seems to indicate that no trouble was encountered.

March 29th.

Yesterday I went to the Kaufman-Straus building at 5.30. Took Mr. Rassinier along, and met the forman of the Henry Bickel Company who is in charge of the job, and asked him what the nature of the sand was that he encountered when putting in first pier on the southwest side. He stated that the sand was in good condition, and easy to crib. In discussing the question of dry sand and walls at certain points on bearing in sand, it was discovered that originally, footings extended into the elevator pits. These had been cut off flush with the inside line of walls of the elevator pits to accommodate old elevator, and it is evident in so doing, the sand in the bottom of the pit was disturbed. The forman also advised me that when the pit for this new pier was dug, the brickwork in the bottom of the wall was absolutely sound and not a particle of same fell during their work.

To make sure of conditions, I had this forman break up concrete floor of the pit on the southeast end of shaft and we examined carefully the sand and footing and found that the sand was in splendid condition and that wall was absolutely solid.

The first pier installed in the southwest end is placed in a thoroughly workman-like manner. Good hard



vitriofied brick was laid in cement water, making a very sound, substantial job.

March 29th.

Stopped at the building this morning at 8.30 and found that a pier at the southeast end of the pit had been installed. The same was covered and elevators were runing, so I had no chance to examine same.

Summarizing the foregoing, it is apparent to me that there is absolutely no cause for apprehension regarding bearings of walls around the shaft or other parts of wall on south side of building, and I feel that further investigation is unnecessary. The only important feature is the proper installation of the underpinning.

The letter of September 12, 1917 from Mr. Lee E. Cralle in reference to the property line between the Highland Branch building and the Vertrees Apartment, (recorded page 324) was read and upon motion referred to the Building Committee with power to act.

The following communication from Mr. James C. Moffet in reference to the establishment of a Clearing House of Information was upon motion referred to the Library Committee.

TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Gentlemen:

I am addressing this letter to the Library Board at the suggestion of Vice President Bennett H. Young with whom a month ago I discust a proposition I should like now to present to you in more definite form.

This subject is the organization, as a permanent department of the library, of what may be termed a Clearing House of Information. The purpose of such an Information Bureau would be to bring our public library system into closer touch with the business life of Louisville and to make it the central agency thru which inquirers could instantly be directed to where information located anywhere within the limits of Jefferson County, the new boundary line of the free public library service, could be found. Without duplicating any existing data the entire information resources of the community could thus be made available to the public when called for either by telephone or in person.

Let me say at once there is nothing original or visionary about this project. It has been put into practical

operation in other cities but so far only in a limited, co-operativ way among "special" or business librarians. What is here proposed is simply that it should be organized as part of the library service furnisht the people of Louisville. I hav submitted the plan to a number of the leading librarians of the country, and they hav declared it to be eminently sound and practicabale. It is one, too, they believe will eventually be adopted by the library authorities of every big city in America.

To George Winthrop Lee, librarian of Stone & Webster Boston, is due all credit for the idea in its original form. Mr. Lee has for the past few years elaborately workt it out under the title, "Sponsorship for Knowledge," and it is familiarly known to librarians everywhere. Briefly stated, it means the registration at a central bureau of everyone, either in his official or individual capacity, who has an expert knowledge or acquaintance with a certain subject, and the title of the topic on which he is willing to furnish information. The name, address and telephone number of the individual or corporation are placed on a subject-card, usually of a different color, in the same way books and documents are cataloged. The work is entirely cooperativ as conducted in Boston, and has a membership at present of 100. It is managed independently of the local public library system.

This idea is being gradually adopted by librarians of the modern school, and means in its final form the mobilization thru the public library of the brains as well as the printed matter in a community. In this way the public library may be brought to serve thousands of people who now never think of it in relation to their daily work. A reference to a business man or corporation or to a public official by telephone can sometimes procure in a few minutes information that could not be obtained in any other way, or would require a day to dig out of books or reports in a library. John Cotton Dana, librarian of the Newark N. J. Public Library, has applied the idea very successfully in the operation of the business branch library in that city, altho he modestly disclaims having made as much of it as he expects others to do in the future.

As I said a moment ago, I hav secured the opinion of a number of well known librarians on the practical merit of this plan of handling information. Among them Dr John A Lapp, formerly Director of the Bureau of Legislativ Information at Indianapolis, but now in charge of the Health and Old Age Insurance Commission of Ohio at Columbus. He is also the author of a number of notable books on the practical side of business, and has done probably more to develop the special or business library than any other man in the country.

In reply to a letter I sent him a year ago Dr. Lapp responded at once in a most enthusiastic manner, and among other things said: "I believe that every library should do

just the thing you suggest, but I don't know of any that are actually doing it. The mobilization of local resources would make it possible to utilize all possible information. Moreover, the library could begin such an institution without an elaborate organization--just begin and let it grow. Some live wire in the library organization could very soon demonstrate that such a development is valuable. I believe that such an institution should not only mobilize the sources of material but should keep a tab on people who are authorities on different subjects. . . . If I were conducting a public library, I would begin on a small scale to card-index every source of material and every public man who is an authority on any subject."

In another letter written last month he added: "If I were in charge of a public library, it would be the first department I would arrange, even if I had to run it myself. . . . If I were starting such an institution, I would take some regular member of the staff and put him on the job of getting a card-index and vertical file collection of material; when enough had been gathered to warrant it, I would advertise it to the business men, then I would have one or more members of the staff devote all their time to it. As you suggest the present time is the most important of all times for the use of such an institution. Information about a thousand things is the greatest necessity of the hour of business men, and the library is the only institution which is in a position to be of service."

Dr. Arthur E. Bostwick, librarian of the St. Louis Public Library and author of the standard history of the American library, was equally emphatic in endorsing the idea, and pointed out that it would avoid the duplication of data, something all librarians appreciate. Miss Mildred Johnson, librarian of the Northwestern University School of Commerce Library, Chicago, also laid emphasis on the fact that no material need be duplicated, and the only cost involved in conducting the department would be that for service.

Ralph L. Power of Boston, editor of "Special Libraries," a monthly devoted to business library development, told me he thought conducting a clearing house of information was the work of the local library and not that of any outside agency. Continuing, he said: "What you propose to do in Louisville bears out my belief that it is distinctly within the province of each public library to centralize the sources of information in a community, . . . and I believe that a plan such as this could be worked out and that it would receive definite support once it was started. In matters of this sort one cannot always see the end when starting a proposition, but things come clear as you go along."

The literature on the subject in this country is growing, and there is published in England a quarterly magazine called "The Link," with an international circulation, devoted to the interchange of information. Eugene F. McPike, manager of the American Railway Perishable Freight Association,

Chicago, is an authority on the subject, and an enthusiastic contributor to the technical magazines on the organization of a national clearing house of information.

The reason I am urging your Board to take this subject under consideration is because I believe the time has arrived when it can be dealt with in an effective manner. The record made by Mr. Settle in running the circulation of books and magazines over a million a year, and maintaining that high figure during the past two or three years, is a remarkable one, and proves he is able to accomplish whatever he undertakes to do. The distribution of reading matter throughout the city and county, however, is only part of the function of a public library, and should not monopolize the time and interest of its management. The American public library has now reached a point of development where furnishing information, or indicating where it may be found, is getting to be of more and more importance, particularly to the business interests of the large cities. That is why I am making the present appeal for an extension of the activities of our library.

To fully develop this new form of library service, and to educate the public to appreciate and use it in a liberal way, will take, of course, years of hard work and the expenditure of some money. But it won't require a dollar for the erection of a new building, the purchase of a necessary site and various other things that go with library expansion, as we have understood it in the past. In fact, it would not call for the appropriation of additional funds even to support it at first. A start could be made in a small way, as Dr. Lapp suggests, and with the present equipment and staff. As the demands of those who used the service increased the scope of the department could be extended. In this way the bureau need not at any time cost more to maintain than it was worth.

If the proposition is referred to a committee for further investigation, I shall be prepared at any time to appear before it and go into fuller details than can be discussed in a communication of this kind. In urging that you give this subject your immediate attention I should like to point out that Louisville has now an opportunity to secure the distinction of being the first city in the country to organize a Clearing House of Information as part of its public library service.

The accompanying letters from the Louisville Board of Trade, The Advertising Club of Louisville and the Louisville Federation of Social Agencies, indicate these representative organizations think this project is of sufficient importance to urge your Board to give it careful consideration.

Yours sincerely

(Signed) James C. Moffet

9 April 1918

March 15, 1918

Mr. James C. Moffett,  
915 Baxter,  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Moffett:

At a meeting of the Directors of the Louisville Board of Trade, held Wednesday, March 13, careful consideration was given to the suggestion contained in your letter of March 5, that the trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library be urged to establish as a permanent department of the institution a clearing house of information relating particularly to the business of the city.

It was the opinion of the Directors of the Board of Trade, so expressed by unanimous resolution, that the idea is a good one, and that the matter should be brought to the attention of the Library authorities which, I understand, you propose to do.

Assuring you of our appreciation of your interest in having gone into the question as thoroughly as you evidently have, I am,

Yours very truly,

(Signed) W. E. Morrow

Secretary.  
Louisville Board of Trade

April 1, 1918

Mr. James C. Moffet,  
915 Baxter Avenue,  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Moffet:

At the last weekly meeting of the Advertising Club of Louisville, held Friday, March 29th, thoughtful consideration was given to the plan which aims to bring our public library system in closer touch with the business life of Louisville.

The idea of establishing what may be termed a Clearing House of Information, relating particularly to the business interests of the city, met with the quick approval of all who were present at our meeting.

A resolution was passed, heartily recommending the idea, and the wish was expressed that the matter should be brought to the early attention of the Library Board, which, I understand, you plan to do real soon.

The Advertising Club appreciates your activity in this matter, and I can assure you that you have its best wishes in making the proposed project a reality.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) W. C. Hellman

First Vice President  
The Advertising Club of Louisville

April 5, 1918

Mr. James C. Moffet,  
915 Baxter Ave.,  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Moffet:

As Director of the Louisville Federation of Social Agencies, I wish to express my hearty approval of your plan of organizing a Clearing House for Information in connection with the Public Library. This would be particularly worth while in the field of social work. Social service itself is so new, and so much of our material exists in the brains of people and not in books, that I should think that such a Clearing House would be a tremendous asset for any one desiring to do such work in Louisville.

I both endorse your proposition and promise my cooperation in helping to get this Clearing House if it has the approval of the Public Library Board.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Elwood Street

Director  
Louisville Federation of Social Agencies

April 2, 1918

Mr. James C. Moffet,  
915 Baxter Avenue,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Mr. Moffet:-

Your letter addressed to Mr. Lewis R. Atwood relative to the plan to establish a general information bureau at the Public Library was presented to our Board of Directors for consideration.

It was the sense of the meeting that inasmuch as the practicability and advisability of matters rela-

tive to the enlargement of the scope of our Public Library are entirely in charge of the Library Board and the Librarian, which gentlemen are intimately familiar with the facilities of that institution as well as the requirements of the community, that the Board of Directors of the Foundation leave the matter entirely to the Library Board and the Librarian for such decision as they may elect to make.

With kindest regards, I am,

Yours very truly,

Louisville Industrial Foundation

(Signed) Tampton Aubushon

General Manager

The following letter from Mrs. I. A. Lederman, Chairman Parkland Auxiliary Red Cross, was read:

April 8, 1918

Board of Trustees,  
Louisville Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

In the present emergency calling upon us all for war work, the Parkland Auxiliary of the Red Cross is performing an important service.

It has grown in number of workers until now it is turning out a considerable quantity of surgical supplies. The workers are earnest and enthusiastic and the character of their work has been highly complimented by the heads of the Red Cross.

They could, however, accomplish a great deal more were they not restricted by the short hours available to them at the Parkland Branch Library.

We are, therefore, most respectfully appealing to you for the privilege of using the assembly room of the Parkland Library as late as 10 p. m. and at any time during the day we may find it necessary.

At present we are working three afternoons from 2 to 5.30 and two evenings from 7 to 9. More than 1000 dressings are completed during each week. There is a constantly increasing demand for special dressings, which must be immediately made and delivered and we are anxious to comply with these requests from Headquarters.

It is our intention to work every day as a larger number of trained workers becomes available. Furthermore, were we permitted the use of the assembly room during an additional hour in the evening and during the morning hours we should easily double our output.

The workers are not only willing but eager to give their time and services and the additional evening hour would give them an opportunity to accomplish a great deal more. The evening attendance is naturally larger though many find it impossible to begin work before 8 o'clock.

We feel sure that you are aware of the vital necessity for this work and will assist us by granting our request.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) Mrs. I. A. Lederman

Chairman Parkland Auxiliary Red Cross

Mr. Thalheimer moved that the use of the Assembly Room of the Parkland Branch be allowed for Red Cross work from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m., that heat be furnished if the weather should require it, and that a key be given to Mrs. Lederman representing the Parkland Auxiliary Red Cross, and that arrangements be made with the Librarian. Similar arrangements are to be made at the other branches as requests are made. The motion was approved.

The Treasurer's report showing a cash balance on April 1, 1918 of \$10,407.47 was submitted by Mr. Barker. The report stated that \$3,000. from rent Public Library Building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Co. was to be added to this, making a total of \$13,407.47. The report was received and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for March was read, approved and ordered filed. It stated that the circulation for home use was 97,350 volumes, a decrease of 27,373 volumes as compared to the same month last year. This is explained as follows:



- 1) Lack of funds for new books
- 2) War activities
- 3) Patriotic service
- 4) Knitting, Red Cross work
- 5) Members of the staff foing library  
work at Camp Zachary Taylor library

The report stated that 2,509 reference topics were looked up at the Main library, 3,024 at the branches and 3,730 at the high schools, a total of 9,263. During the month 20 reading lists were compiled, 690 books and magazines lent for home use and 656 pictures circulated.

The following letter from the Board of Park Commissioners was read and upon motion the Secretary was instructed to send a letter of thanks:

March 20, 1918

Mr. George T. Settle, Librarian  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Settle:-

I am directed by the Board to say, that it will have pleasure in complying with your request to set out a few trees and plant some hedge on the ground of the Portland Branch Library. If agreeable to you, we will have our Superintendent consult with the Librarian at that branch to see just exactly what is needed.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) Harry S. Smith

Secretary  
Board of Park Commissioners

The Librarian stated that Mr. E. J. O'Brien, former member of the Board, had donated a flag pole to the Jefferson Branch Library and upon motion the Secretary was instructed to express the thanks of the Board to him for this gift,

The letter of Mrs. Neill Roach offering a painting of Katherine Neill, painted in '67 by Miss Cornelia Perrin, a Louisville artist, as a gift to the Library was upon motion referred to the Librarian with

power to act.

The letter of February 6 from the Federation of Social Agencies Mr. Elwood Street, Director, asking that two members of the Library Board be appointed to represent the library in a community council to be formed by the Federation of Social Agencies was read and upon motion of Dr. Powell, Mr. Barker and Dr. Pfingst were named.

The following letter from Kaufman-Straus Co. under date of March 11, 1918 was read:

March 11, 1918

Louisville Free Public Library Co.,  
City.

Attention of Mr. Settle.

Dear Sir:-

We wish to break through the wall on the south side of our building on the fifth floor in the rear for a window in the employees' sick room, and of course would like to have your consent on this without delay.

Yours truly,

Kaufman-Straus Co.

Per (Signed) J. B. Judah

Manager

Upon motion the matter was referred to Mr. W. E. Glossop, Consulting Architect for the Library Board, to investigate the same and report.

General Bennett H. Young of the Special Legislative Committee made the following report in which he stated that the two bills submitted to the Legislature had passed:

March 13, 1918

To the Library Board:

Your Committee, Bennett H. Young, Thomas A. Barker, and Hardin H. Herr, wish to report progress.

The bill authorizing the Louisville Free Public Library to mortgage property or to issue bonds and pay interest thereon was presented in the Senate by Senator

W. A. Perry and in the House by Representative Homer McLellen, both of Louisville.

The bill authorizing the Fiscal Court of Jefferson County to contract with the Louisville Free Public Library for use of books for residents in the County was presented in the Senate by Senator H. H. Simms of Jefferson County and by Representative W. P. McDonogh in the House.

Your Committee suggests that these gentlemen and the other Senators and Representatives of Louisville and Jefferson County be thanked for their interest in the matter.

Prof. Bartholomew moved that the thanks of the Board be extended to the members of the Committee, to Senator H. H. Simms, Representative W. P. McDonogh, Senator W. A. Perry, Representative Homer McLellen and through them to the senators and representatives of Jefferson County who assisted in securing the passage of these bills. The motion was approved.

The report of the Library Committee was considered item by item:

The recommendation that the resignation of Esther Spohn be accepted was approved. Miss Spohn was granted three months' leave of absence to go to Texas and has accepted a position with the Houston Lyceum and Carnegie Library.

The Building Committee and Librarian were instructed to ask for bids on erecting a single shed at the Main library and at each of the branch libraries to store coal for the winter, and were authorized to accept the lowest and best bid.

The recommendation that Elnora McIntyre be appointed on the staff and assigned to the Western Colored Branch Library as approved.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$7,436.51 was approved. This included the pay roll, \$4,047.15, which had been approved by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid, and the monthly bills amounting to \$3,389.36, covered by voucher 6374 and checks 8550 to 8619 inclusive:

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| American Journal of Veterinary Medicine    | \$ | 4   | 73 |
| American Multigraph Sales Co.              |    | 3   | 31 |
| American Printing House for the Blind      |    | 13  | 88 |
| Anderson and Co., A. J.                    |    | 5   | 27 |
| Anderson, John R.                          |    | 29  | 55 |
| Anderson, Margaret Steele                  |    | 5   | 40 |
| Arctic Ice Company                         |    | 1   | 15 |
| Atlas Coal Co.                             |    | 114 | 69 |
| Barrie's Sons, George                      |    | 28  | 50 |
| Bittner's Sons, G.                         |    | 12  | 75 |
| Bland Electric Co.                         |    | 34  | 72 |
| Bowen and Co. B. F.                        |    | 6   | 75 |
| Bowman, Hite D.                            |    | 43  | 95 |
| Browder and Hoskins                        |    | 24  | 69 |
| Bywater Bros.                              |    | 10  | 50 |
| Central Glass Co.                          |    | 3   | 25 |
| Chicago Press, University of               |    | 1   | 73 |
| Clark Co., Arthur H.                       |    | 4   | 50 |
| Cudahy Packing Co.                         |    | 15  | 00 |
| Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.     |    | 28  | 10 |
| Duncan, Mrs. Fannie Casseday               |    | 7   | 50 |
| Dye Mfg. Co., E. B.                        |    | 15  | 00 |
| Egry Register Co.                          |    | 20  | 50 |
| Encyclopedia Press                         |    | 2   | 00 |
| Fetter Co., Geo. G.                        |    | 18  | 46 |
| Fischer Co., Heinrich                      |    | 31  | 43 |
| Franck, Chas. V.                           |    | 2   | 50 |
| Gaylord Bros.                              |    | 61  | 23 |
| General Specialties Co.                    |    | 4   | 50 |
| Gulf Refining Co.                          |    | 20  | 22 |
| Guntermann, Bertha (Order Department)      |    | 12  | 94 |
| Hawes and Key                              |    | 24  | 37 |
| Heick Hardware Co., Henry                  |    | 4   | 05 |
| Hoke, T.J.                                 |    | 1   | 50 |
| Kaufman-Straus Co.                         |    | 127 | 80 |
| Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.                     |    | 205 | 40 |
| Kentucky State Library                     |    | 1   | 00 |
| Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.              |    | 1   | 49 |
| Krausgill Piano Co.                        |    | 5   | 45 |
| Lampton, Crane and Ramey Co.               |    | 18  | 98 |
| Library Bureau                             |    | 95  | 00 |
| Library of Congress                        |    | 100 | 00 |
| Longmans, Green and Co.                    |    | 3   | 23 |
| Long's Towel Supply Co.                    |    | 8   | 00 |
| Louisville Convention and Publicity League |    | 10  | 00 |
| Louisville Gas and Electric Co.            |    | 116 | 86 |
| Louisville Home Telephone Co.              |    | 101 | 15 |
| Louisville Paper Co.                       |    | 2   | 82 |
| Morton and Co., John P.                    |    | 215 | 75 |
| New York Times Index                       |    | 8   | 00 |
| Noble, Lloyd Adams                         |    | 1   | 14 |
| Otis Elevator Co.                          |    | 42  | 00 |
| Parker Paper Co.                           |    | 1   | 65 |
| Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.                       |    | 1   | 70 |
| Quick Tire Service                         |    | 1   | 31 |

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| Presser, Theodore                     | \$ 2 55      |
| Ramser Sons, George                   | 404 46       |
| Sanders and Scoon                     | 6 00         |
| Settle, George T. Librarian           | 88 06        |
| Smith and Dugan                       | 9 50         |
| Southeastern Paper Co.                | 11 50        |
| Standard Oil Co.                      | 16 73        |
| Stewart Co., W. K.                    | 351 83       |
| Van Dort Co., G. Broes                | 22 00        |
| Veeneman, Mrs. L. J.                  | 5 00         |
| Walker, William                       | 4 00         |
| Warner Co., Roy E.                    | 2 75         |
| Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.   | 747 73       |
| Western Union Telegraph Co.           | 3 00         |
| Wilson Co., H. W.                     | 17 90        |
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The regular business of the Board having been transacted, the Board then proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year with the following result:

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| President           | Mayor George Weissinger Smith |
| Vice President      | General Bennett H. Young      |
| Secretary           | Professor W. H. Bartholomew   |
| Assistant Secretary | George T. Settle              |
| Treasurer           | Louisville Trust Co.          |

The Board then adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED

Bj May 8 - 1918

Bennett H. Young President  
W. H. Bartholomew Secretary