

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, May 9, 1923 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Abbott, Barker, Heyburn, Mullins, Powell, Quin, Rauch, and Settle, with President Quin in the chair. Mr. Ossmann and Mrs. Semple were reported ill, Dr. Pfingst and Mr. Thruston out of the city, and Dr. Hemphill and Father Schuhmann unable to attend.

The minutes of the regular April 11 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter of April 17, 1923 from Mrs. Pauline A. Lloyd, Secretary, Heywood School Parent-Teacher Association, advising that the Board of Park Commissioners had refused the committee from four schools the use of the shelter house in Triangle Park for library purposes, but that now a patron is giving them a piece of land at Fifth and K Streets for library purposes provided we can furnish money to build a room.

Mrs. Lloyd stated that a branch library here would take care of J. Stoddard Johnston School, Flat Lick Road near F, John Marshall School, 7th and Snipp, John Heywood School, 5th and O Streets and the 9th and O Street School.

Upon motion this was referred to the Building Committee, to be considered with other matters in connection with placing a branch library in the southern section of the city.

- b. Letter of May 4, 1923 signed Barret Montfort, Assistant to the President, Chemical National Bank of New York, Mr. Montfort writes that Mr. Percy H. Johnston, President of the Chemical National Bank of New York had received an Eskimo suit presented by his brother-in-law, Captain Milton B. Rogers of the United States Army. This suit was bartered for by Captain Rogers at a small village on Lake Imandra in Russian Lapland and belonged to a chieftain in Nova Zembla. Captain Rogers obtained this costume for his personal use during the North Russian Campaign of the Inter-Allied Forces in the winter of 1918-1919, when he was associated with Major Sir Ernest Shackleton of the British Army in providing transport and ordnance for troops that crossed the southern portion of the White Sea to reinforce the Archangel Front.

Mr. Montfort writes that Mr. Johnston will be glad to lend this Eskimo suit to the Museum.

Upon motion this loan is accepted if it could not be presented as a gift, with the usual conditions of loans.

The following gifts were announced for record in the minutes

and vote of thanks, which, upon motion, were received and the Librarian instructed to thank donors in the name of the Board.

Twenty (20) bound volumes of the Vine and Spirit Journal from Mrs. Mary M. Washburne, widow of George R. Washburne, for many years editor of the Journal. This was given to the Library for the Kentucky Collection.

Forty-two (42) volumes and additional pamphlets and newspapers on the Southern Confederacy from the library of Thomas D. Osborne and Mrs. John L. Woodbury. This was given in honor of the Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, No. 120, for the Confederate Collection.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

May 9, 1923

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report for April showing cash balance May 1, 1923 of \$643.76 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$3,643.76.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for April was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 107,919 volumes, an increase of 4,464 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 59,897 volumes were circulated to adults and 48,022 to children, fifty-five per cent of the circulation being fiction. The report of the Reference Department shows 12,697 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There were 44 reading lists compiled, 126 newspapers read for items and 1,732 clippings from newspapers filed. There were 3,303 visitors to the Museum.

Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Finance Committee, made the following report:

WHEREAS, this Board heretofore executed to The Louisville

Trust Company, Trustee, a Deed of Trust on the Kaufman-Straus property to secure bonds aggregating \$310,000.00, and

WHEREAS, said indebtedness has been reduced to \$285,000.00, and evidenced by bonds 26 to 250, both inclusive, for \$1000.00 each, and bonds 251 to 370, both inclusive, for \$500.00 each; and whereas, all of said bonds fall due on June 15th, 1923;

AND, The Louisville Trust Company, Trustee, has agreed to an extension of said indebtedness on the following terms:-

1st. That the rate of interest be reduced from six per cent per annum to five and one-half per cent per annum.

2nd. That bonds 26 to 250, both inclusive, for \$1000.00 each, and bonds 251 to 370, both inclusive, for \$500.00 each, shall be due and payable May 15th, 1928, except bonds 26 to 30, payable January 15th, 1924; 31 to 35, payable January 15th, 1925; 36 to 40, payable January 15th, 1926; 41 to 45, payable January 15th, 1927, and 46 to 50, payable January 15th, 1928.

3rd. That the entire indebtedness may be paid off in full at any interest period by payment of principal and interest to date of payment; provided, notice of such intention has been given by this Board to the Trustee at the previous interest payment date.

4th. All terms and conditions set forth at length in Deed of Trust, above referred to, except so far as amended or changed by the extension agreement, be made part thereof.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that a copy of agreement submitted herewith is approved, that the President of this Board be and he is authorized to enter into said agreement for and on behalf of the Board of Trustees and the Secretary is authorized to affix the corporate seal, and the Secretary is further authorized to sign the coupons which may be attached to the bonds, above described, in accordance with the maturity thereof.

Upon motion this was approved and the action of Mr. Barker and the Finance Committee in arranging this loan was favorably commented on by members of the Board.

The agreement was read by Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Finance Committee, as follows:

This AGREEMENT by and between BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY of Louisville, Kentucky, (hereinafter called the Board of Trustees) party of the first part, and THE LOUISVILLE TRUST COMPANY, Trustee, (Hereinafter called Trustee), party of second part, each of the parties hereto being corporations, created and existing under the laws of Kentucky, and located in Louisville, Kentucky;

WITNESSETH; That whereas, by Deed of Trust dated July 15th, 1918, and recorded in Deed Book 895, Page 494, in the Jefferson

County Court Clerk's Office, the Board of Trustees conveyed to the Trustee, the following property in Louisville, Kentucky, together with all improvements thereon and the rents, income, issues and profits thereof, to-wit:-

"Beginning on the East side of Fourth Street, Two Hundred and Eighty-two and ten-twelfths (282-10/12) feet South of Green Street; thence running Southwardly along the East side of Fourth Street, One Hundred and Thirty-seven (137) feet and three-fourths (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 Northern line of lot formerly owned by Samuel B. Thomas and conveyed by Commissioner of Jefferson Circuit Court by deed dated October 21st, 1903, and recorded in Deed Book 606, Page 46, in the Jefferson County Court Clerk's Office; and being same lot conveyed to Board of Trustees by deed dated May 13th, 1913, and recorded in Deed Book 782, Page 631, in the Clerk's Office aforesaid."

That said Deed of Trust was made for the purpose of securing the payment of Three Hundred and Ten Thousand & no/100 (\$310,000.00) Dollars, evidenced by Two Hundred and Fifty (250) bonds Numbered from One (1) to Two Hundred and Fifty (250), both inclusive, each for sum of One Thousand & no/100 (\$1000.00) Dollars, and by One Hundred and Twenty (120) bonds numbered Two Hundred and Fifty-one (251) to Three Hundred and Seventy (370), both inclusive, for Five Hundred & no/100 (\$500.00) Dollars each, all of said bonds being due and payable on June 15th, 1923, except bonds 1 to 25, both inclusive, bonds 1 to 5, being due January 15th, 1919, bonds 6 to 10 being due January 15th, 1920; bonds 11 to 15 being due January 15th, 1921; bonds 16 to 20 being due January 15th, 1922, and bonds 21 to 25, January 15th, 1923; and whereas, bonds 1 to 25, both inclusive, have been paid in accordance with the provisions of said Deed of Trust, and there now remain unpaid bonds 26 to 250, both inclusive, each for \$1000.00, and bonds 251 to 370, both inclusive, each for \$500.00; and whereas, said Board of Trustees has requested an extension of said Deed of Trust for Fifty-nine (59) months from June 15th, 1923, and the Trustee has agreed to such extension and it is now agreed between said parties as follows:-

1st. That the rate of interest shall be five and one-half (5½) per cent per annum, payable semi-annually.

2nd. That bonds 26 to 250, both inclusive, for \$1000.00 each, and bonds 251 to 370, both inclusive, for \$500.00 each, shall be due and payable May 15th, 1928, except bonds numbers 26 to 30, both inclusive, being due and payable January 15th, 1924, and bonds numbers 31 to 35, both inclusive, being due and payable January 15th, 1925; and bonds numbers 36 to 40, both inclusive, being due and payable January 15th, 1926, and bonds numbers 41 to 45, both inclusive, being due and payable January 15th, 1927, and bonds numbers 46 to 50, both inclusive, being due and pay-

able January 15th, 1928.

3rd. To each of said bonds are attached coupons for semi-annual interest due thereon at the rate above specified and the form of said coupons shall be as follows:-

"\$ \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_."

On the 15th day of \_\_\_\_\_ 192\_\_ the Board of Trustees of Free Public Library, of Louisville, Ky., will pay to the bearer at the office of The Louisville Trust Company in Louisville, Ky., \_\_\_\_\_ Dollars in Gold Coin of the United States of America, being six (6) months interest then due on its mortgage bond No. \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary"

4th. That the entire indebtedness herein mentioned may be paid off in full at any interest payment date by payment of principal and interest to date of payment; provided, notice of such intention to pay has been given by the Board of Trustees to the Trustee at the previous interest payment date.

5th. That all the terms and conditions set forth at length in the Deed of Trust, hereinbefore referred to and being the Deed of Trust dated July 15th, 1918, and recorded in Deed Book 895, Page 494, in the Jefferson County Court Clerk's Office, except so far as they are amended or changed by this agreement, are made part hereof as if set forth at length.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, said Board of Trustees and said Trustee have caused their names to be hereunto signed by their respective Presidents and their respective corporate seals hereunto affixed, this 9 day of May, 1923.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY of Louisville, Kentucky.

BY (Signed) HUSTON QUIN  
President

THE LOUISVILLE TRUST COMPANY, Trustee,

BY (Signed) JOHN STITES  
President

State of Kentucky  
County of Jefferson

I, Clara L. Behrens, a Notary Public in and for County and State aforesaid, do certify that the foregoing agreement was this day produced to me in said County and acknowledged by Huston Quin as President to do the act and deed of Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library of Louisville, Ky., a party thereto.

My commission expires on the 21st day of November, 1926.

Witness my signature this May 9th, 1923.

(Seal)

(Signed) CLARA L. BEHRENS  
Notary Public Jefferson County

State of Kentucky )  
County of Jefferson ) S.S.

I, Quida Hartman, a Notary Public in and for the County of Jefferson, State of Kentucky do hereby certify that the foregoing agreement was this day produced to me in my office and acknowledged by John Stites, President, to the act and deed of The Louisville Trust Co.

My Notarial Commission expires Dec. 11, 1924.  
Witness my hand and notarial seal this 12 day of May 1923.

(Seal)

(Signed) QUIDA HARTMAN  
Notary Public, Jefferson County, Ky.

Upon motion this was approved.

President Quin's signature was affixed and the entry made by the Notary Public during the Board meeting. The signature of Mr. Stites for the Trust Company was made later and attested to by Notary Public.

The Librarian's recommendation to the Building Committee that he be authorized to have a survey made of the northern line of the Library lot, without cost if we could get the City or County Surveyor to do the work, was read to the Library Board.

For a long time a city watchman's house stood on this piece of property and upon request of the Librarian it was removed, and immediately Dr. Runyon fenced it in. I called the Board's attention to it at that time but no action was taken. I am again calling attention to it.

This was not acted upon by the Building Committee but referred to the Board. Upon motion Mr. Barker was authorized to have this survey made.

The Building Committee reports as follows:

May 9, 1923

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Building Committee met Wednesday April 18, 1923 at 5 p.m. in the Librarian's office with Mr. Ossmann, Mrs. Abbott,

Dr. Mullins, Mr. C.P. Ward, architect, and the Librarian present.

The architect submitted three pencil sketches and a floor plan for the Watterson Alcove in the east end of the Reference Room. After duly considering the matter the following motion was made and approved:

"That of the plans submitted by the architect, the Committee prefers Exhibit marked No. 1 and floor plans accompanying it, placing it in the east end of the Reference Room, and that the Committee refer the matter back to the Board with a request that a special meeting of the Board be called to consider the following questions:

1. Question of acceptance of this gift in the light of the following facts:
  - a. Question of character of the collection
  - b. Question of consumption of space in the Reference Room involved
  - c. Question of advisability of setting precedent of accepting conditional gifts."

It was suggested that the Librarian and the architect visit Mr. Watterson's home and be in a position to report on the number of volumes and amount of floor space necessary to accommodate them, and the value of the collection.

The Librarian reports that Mrs. Watterson had not returned when he left the city. He understands that she is home now but he has not had an opportunity to make an engagement with her.

Respectfully submitted

*Phil. Cassman*

Chairman Building Committee

Upon motion this was approved.

The Librarian's report for April showing an expenditure of \$11,510.40 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$7,642.44 voucher No. 118, checks Nos. 6922-7014 inclusive, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid on May 1. This leaves a balance of \$3,867.96 voucher No. 119, checks Nos. 7015-7073 inclusive to be paid:

Arctic Ice Co.	\$	16.20
Baldwin Piano Co.		3.50
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.		20.96

Wolf Blitz Glass Co.	5.25
R. R. Bowker Co.	6.87
Breckel Press	13.00
Brentano's	3.14
Caron Directory Co.	115.20
Childers Electric Co.	4.88
J. E. Coleman	10.00
Val. P. Collins	5.00
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	62.03
Electric Blue Print & Supply Co.	1.75
F. W. Faxon Co.	2.45
Federal Glue Co.	14.40
Jas. C. Fifield Co.	15.76
Chas. V. Franck	2.00
Gaylord Bros.	9.25
J. N. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Co.	19.16
Robert L. Hawes Co.	35.11
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	4.50
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Kaufman-Straus Co.	515.77
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	168.60
Kentucky Workshop for the Blind	9.80
Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.	2.10
Herman C. Korfhage Co.	2.50
Lampton, Crane & Ramey Co.	12.15
Library Bureau	19.25
Little, Brown & Co.	15.30
Lodenkemper Bros.	5.20
Longs Towel Supply Co.	9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	115.71
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Paper Co.	8.00
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Anna Blanche McGill	13.65
Meffert Equipment Co.	5.70
Miller Paper Co.	14.18
Milliken Battery Service	2.00
John P. Morton & Co.	31.25
National Conference on City Planning	5.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.	5.50
Chas. T. Powner Co.	7.69
Quick Tire Service	2.03
Geo. Ramser's Sons	3.25
G. Schirmer	14.18
Schwarz, Clifford & Scott	6.72
Geo. T. Settle - A. I. A.	92.93
Geo. T. Settle, Libn.-Petty Cash	88.66
Short's Tire Service	3.25
T. Grant Slaughter	9.43
Standard Printing Co.	34.65
W. K. Stewart Co.	42.77
Transo Envelope Co.	15.81



Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	923.07
Prince Wells Co.	<u>1 220.00</u>
	3 867.96
Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	<u>7 642.44</u>
Total . . . . .	\$11 510.40

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

June 13 1923

E. Y. Mullins <sup>Acting</sup> President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting, Board of Trustees, June 13, 1923 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Abbott, Barker, Mullins, Ossmann, Pfingst, Rauch, Thruston and Settle. President Quin and Vice-President Powell being out of the city, upon motion Dr. Mullins presided. Dr. Hemphill was reported out of the city and Mr. Heyburn and Father Schuhmann unable to attend.

The minutes of the regular May meeting were read and upon motion approved.

The Secretary announced the death of Mrs. Patty B. Semple, one of our Trustees, and upon call Dr. Mullins read resolutions as follows:

Be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library that we place on record our high appreciation of the services, as a member of this Board, of the late Mrs. Patty B. Semple.

Mrs. Semple was a woman of the highest ideals of civic and social service. She made a notable contribution to the life of Louisville in all its higher interests and activities. As a member of the Library Board she was conscientious, painstaking and thorough in her devotion to its interests. She spared no pains to acquaint herself with the details and inner working of the Library, and was ready always to present its needs and claims to the public. In the death of Mrs. Semple, the Library Board loses one of the most efficient of its members. Louisville loses a distinguished citizen. And society at large loses a civic and social leader whose influence will long be felt in our community.

Resolved further that we express our deep sympathy with the members of the bereaved family and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to them and also spread upon our minutes.

Upon motion a copy of the resolutions is to be sent to Mrs. Semple's family and spread on the minutes of this meeting.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter of April 18, 1923 (received May 16, 1923) from Dr. W. E. Baxter, 300 N. Western Parkway. Dr. Baxter offers as a loan to the library portrait of Mrs. Martha Mackensie Steele by Jouett, the celebrated Kentucky artist. Upon motion this portrait will be accepted as a loan

with the usual conditions - without liability to the library and subject to order for return, the library not guaranteeing it against loss by fire, theft, etc.

- b. Notice from the Board of Public Works, No. 59, May 9, 1923, notifying the Board of Trustees that a concrete pavement will be placed on both sides of Highland Avenue from Bardstown Road to Cherokee Road. The Librarian reported that he had tried to see the Board of Public Works to report that there was already a concrete pavement at Highland Avenue and Cherokee Road before the library property but failing, had turned the notice over to William T. Baskett, Department Counsel. Mr. Baskett writes under date of June 2, 1923, enclosing the notice, that the Board of Public Works did not intend to construct the sidewalk in front of the Highland Library since there is already a concrete pavement.
- c. Letter of June 6, 1923 from Rebecca Ewing Watterson (Mrs. Henry Watterson) which reads as follows:

June 6th, 1923

John F. Settle, Esq.  
Librarian, Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Settle:

After mature deliberation I have decided to hold in my possession at Mansfield, the Henry Watterson Library during my lifetime.

Will you convey to the Committee in charge, my wish in the matter, and oblige,

Yours truly,  
(Signed) Rebecca Ewing Watterson  
(Mrs. Henry Watterson)

The Librarian stated that he had referred this letter to Mr. Barker of the Board and Mr. William T. Baskett, Department Counsel, and that both were of the opinion that we could force the compliance of this codicil immediately, but if the Library Board agreed to Mrs. Watterson's request to defer it, the Executor should furnish an inventory of the material to come to the library at her death. This inventory should include a list of the books and all other material itemized intended for the library included in the codicil and the Library should be represented by the Librarian in making this inventory.

The Librarian stated that in his last visit to Mrs. Watterson she seemed anxious to retain the library and art material during her lifetime for sentimental reasons.

Upon motion it was agreed to abide by Mrs. Watterson's decision and to call on the Executor for an inventory,

the Librarian to make a list of the books, giving author, title, publisher, number of volumes, etc. and also a list of pictures, portraits, statuettes, curios, etc. included in the codicil.

The Librarian was instructed to have Mr. O. P. Ward, architect, discontinue work on the alcove until Mrs. Watterson's death.

- d. Letter of June 12, 1923 from Muldoon Monument Company, signed J. K. Shawvan, Chief Designer. The Muldoon Monument Company, representing the Crescent Hill Woman's Club upon request, asks permission to place a fountain or other monument on the grounds of the Crescent Hill Library as a memorial to the boys of Crescent Hill who lost their lives in the World War. Upon motion this was referred to the Building Committee for consideration for a recommendation to the Library Board at one of its regular meetings. The question of placing this memorial on the grounds was not entered into. This was included in the consideration and recommendation to be made by the Building Committee.

The following gifts were announced for record in the minutes and vote of thanks:

139 volumes, beautifully bound German books, from Mr. Adolph Reutlinger, 1480 Cherokee Road.

A collection of sheet music which had belonged to Clara Goldsmith, a prominent musician, given by her mother, Mrs. Norton Goldsmith, 1478 St. James Court.

Loan of an Eskimo suit that had been worn by Captain Milton B. Rogers, of the United States Army, by Mr. Percy H. Johnston, President, Chemical National Bank of New York.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

June 13, 1923

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report for May showing cash balance on June 1, 1923 of \$6,029.28 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000 rent from Public Library Building which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$9,029.28.

The Librarian submits a statement of assets and liabilities showing expenditures to date and money absolutely necessary under expenditures according to the budget adopted.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

## ASSETS

May 31 - Balance		\$ 6,029.28	
June 4 - City taxes		2,344.00	
June 8 - Rents		<u>3,000.00</u>	
			11,373.28
Anticipated Receipts			
City appropriation	113,687.50		
Received to June 8	<u>98,020.57</u>		
Balance due	15,666.93		15,666.93
Jefferson County			10,000.00
Rent - July and August			6,000.00
Petty Cash - June	521.76		
" " July and Aug.			
estimate @ \$300	<u>600.00</u>		
		<u>1,121.76</u>	44,161.97

## LIABILITIES

Pay Roll - June 1		7,795.73	
" " July 1 (estimate)		7,600.00	
" " Aug. 1 "		<u>7,600.00</u>	
			22,995.73
Interest on mortgage		8,550.00	
Borrowed		7,000.00	
Interest - 3 months		105.00	
Bills - June 13		1,057.81	
Bills - July (estimate)	2,226.71		
Bills - Aug. "	<u>2,226.72</u>		
		<u>4,453.43</u>	\$ 44,161.97

Upon motion this report was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for May was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 98,476 volumes, a decrease of 833 as compared to the same month last year. In answer to the question explaining the decrease the Librarian stated that the Billy Sunday meetings had taken up the time of our readers. Of the volumes circulated 56,603 were to adults and 41,873 to children, fifty-five per cent of the circulation being fiction. The report of the Reference Department shows 11,681 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There were 41 reading lists compiled, 110 newspapers read for items and 1,461 clippings from newspapers filed. There were 1,622 visitors to the Museum. There were 549 volumes added and 741 volumes cataloged during the

month.

Dr. Powell, Chairman, and no other member of the Library Committee being present, upon motion Dr. Mullins, presiding, was authorized to sign the papers and voucher, representing the Chairman of the Library Committee and President of the Board, for payment of bills.

The Librarian's report for May showing an expenditure of \$8,853.54 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$7,795.73, voucher No. 120, checks Nos. 7074-7162 inclusive, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid on June 1. This leaves a balance of \$1,057.81, voucher No. 121, checks Nos. 7163-7221 inclusive to be paid:

American Antiquarian Society	\$ 1.50
Arctic Ice Co.	24.22
Baptist Book Concern	1.50
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	28.97
Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.	92.91
Wolf Blitz Glass Co.	1.50
Brakmeier Bros.	1.23
Breckel Press	27.25
Childers Electric Co.	2.25
F. A. Clegg & Co.	4.87
J. E. Coleman	10.00
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	60.25
Eugene B. Dye	2.75
R. O. Dusch	3.75
Electric Blue Print & Supply Co.	1.75
F. W. Faxon Co.	2.61
J. W. Fischer	3.60
Fischer Soap & Oil Co.	37.70
Franklin Printing Co.	5.75
J. N. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Co.	19.16
L. H. Harpring	1.50
W. C. Heimerdinger	3.00
T. J. Hoke	3.00
R. Jeunesse & Sons	7.85
Kentucky Printshop Co.	4.00
Lemke & Buechner	4.56
John C. Lewis Co.	8.60
Iodenkemper Bros.	2.70
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Blue Book Co.	14.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	105.56
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
John F. Lukemeier	1.00

Anna Blanche McGill	63.54
Macmillan Co.	1.25
A. B. Madlon	2.00
National Conference on City Planning	5.00
Oldham Era	1.50
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Patterson's American Educational Directory	4.50
Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.	3.11
Waldo S. Pratt, Treasurer	2.00
Geo. Ramser's Sons	21.35
Regents of the University of California	5.75
Russell Sage Foundation	2.50
W. R. Seestadt	7.15
George T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	77.68
Short's Tire Service	73.91
Standard Oil Co.	19.16
Stith and Harris	35.25
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	19.16
E. F. Swindler	21.60
H. C. Tafel Co.	2.00
United Business Service	15.00
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	102.21
Prince Wells Co.	1.45
Helen M. Winslow	3.00
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Pd) George T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	7 795.73
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Total . . . . .	\$ 8,853.54

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Sept 19-23

Hustadum President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

July 11, 1923

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library was not held on the above date because of lack of quorum. The following letter was sent to the Executive Committee:

July 12, 1923

Mayor Huston Quin )  
 Dr. E. L. Powell ) Executive Committee, Board of Trustees  
 Mr. Thomas A. Barker ) Louisville Free Public Library  
 Mr. Phillip Ossmann ) Louisville, Kentucky

Gentlemen:

We were unable to have a regular meeting of the Library Board on July 11, 1923 on account of the lack of quorum in the city - seven members were out of the city and of the five in town one was sick.

Since there is no likelihood of any of the seven returning before September 1, I recommend that the bills for the month amounting to \$763.26 be paid by order of the Executive Committee. If this is agreeable please sign below and return.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

Executive Committee approved:

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER  
 (Signed) HUSTON QUIN  
 (Signed) E. L. POWELL  
 (Signed) PHIL. OSSMANN

This approval included bills which were paid, as follows:

American Medical Assn.	\$	12.00
American Printing House for the Blind		5.00
Arctic Ice Co.		31.05
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.		24.46
Breckel Press		15.00
Breuer & Co.		3.53
Caron Directory Co.		5.60
Childers Electric Co.		1.65
J. E. Coleman		10.00
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.		60.25
Danforth & Co.		22.50
F. W. Faxon Co.		5.58
J. W. Fischer		2.60



J. N. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Co.	19.16
Hammer Printing & Office Supply Co.	4.50
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	2.05
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Kentucky Workshop for Adult Blind	18.20
Lemcke & Buechner	4.50
Lodenkemper Bros.	2.60
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	103.51
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Paper Co.	8.00
Louisville Towel Supply	8.20
Anna Blanche McGill	12.10
Meffert Equipment Co.	6.20
Miller Paper Co.	6.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	71.01
Southeastern Paper Co.	12.22
Stith & Harris	14.10
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	19.16
E. F. Swindler	34.00
Ossian P. Ward	50.00
Weissinger-Caulbert Real Estate Co.	91.53
Western Union Telegraph Co.	3.75
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	763.26
Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	7 523.28
Pd) Louisville Trust Co., Int. on Mortgage	7 125.00
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Total . . . . .	\$ 15 411.54

MINUTES APPROVED:  
Sept 19-23

Mustard President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

August 8, 1923

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library was not held on the above date because of lack of quorum. The following letter was sent to the Executive Committee:

August 13, 1923

Mayor Huston Quin, Chairman	}	Executive Committee Board of Trustees
Dr. E. L. Powell		
Mr. Thomas A. Barker		
Mr. Phillip Ossmann		
Louisville Free Public Library Louisville, Ky.		

Gentlemen:

We were unable to have a Library Board meeting on August 8 on account of lack of quorum - seven members out of the city and one ill.

The expert accountant will report in August to go over the books and it will be necessary to have this month's bills approved and paid so that he can include them in his report for the fiscal year ending August 31.

I wish Mayor Quin would sign this paper as President and member of the Executive Committee and list of bills and voucher where his name appears in pencil, and Dr. Powell sign this paper as member of the Executive Committee and list of bills and voucher where his name appears in pencil. I wish Mr. Barker would sign this paper and list of bills as member of Executive Committee and Mr. Ossmann sign this paper as member of the Executive Committee.

The bills amount to \$715.96, which will leave a balance of less than one dollar in the hands of the Treasurer.

The Treasurer is authorized to borrow funds as necessary from time to time beginning September 1 to pay pay roll and monthly bills until funds are received from city taxes. This resolution is always passed at the August meeting which is the last meeting of the fiscal year.

APPROVED: Executive Committee  
(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER  
(Signed) E.L. POWELL  
(Signed) PHIL. OSSMANN  
(Signed) HUSTON QUIN

Yours very truly,  
(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Secretary and Librarian  
by S

This approval included bills, which were paid as

76100

follows:

Arctic Ice Co.	\$	30.68
Baldwin Law Book Co.		16.50
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.		2.40
Bywater Bros.		9.00
Carter Dry Goods Co.		11.75
Chatfield & Woods		7.50
Childers Electric Co.		1.50
J. E. Coleman		10.00
Courier-Journal Job Printing Co.		10.00
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.		60.95
J. N. Grant		8.00
T. J. Hoke		3.00
R. Jeunesse & Sons		8.65
Library Bureau		18.00
Library of Congress		100.00
Lodenkemper Bros.		2.60
Long's Towel Supply		9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.		91.09
Louisville Home Telephone Co.		39.25
Louisville Towel Supply		8.20
Macmillan Co.		15.15
Meffert Equipment Co.		12.65
Otis Elevator Co.		14.00
Allen M. Reager		31.19
George T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash		38.82
Short's Tire Service Co.		15.25
Standard Oil Co.		19.14
Tehan & Head		3.00
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.		83.79
Prince Wells Co.		34.90
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		715.96
Pd) George T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll		7 359.89
Pd) Louisville Trust Co., Demand loan		
		7,000.00
Interest on loan		122.50
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Total . . . . .	\$	15 198.35

MINUTES APPROVED:

Sept 19-23

Houston Linn President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Called meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday September 19, 1923  
in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Mayor Quin, President of the Board, called as follows:

September 15, 1923

Board of Trustees  
Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

To the Board of Trustees:

Mayor Huston Quin, President of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library, calls a meeting of the Library Board for Wednesday September 19 at 5 p.m. The Library Committee will meet at 4:30 p.m. to consider bills and recommendations for appointments on the staff.

There was no regular meeting September 12 because of lack of quorum having signified their intention to be present and this meeting is called to consider anything that might be considered at a regular Board meeting.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

GTS/S

Present: Abbott, Barker, Hemphill, Heyburn, Ossmann, Powell, Quin, Schuhmann and Settle with President Quin in the chair. It was reported that Mr. Thruston was out of the city, Dr. Pfingst ill and out of the city and Dr. Mullins and Dr. Rauch unable to attend.

The minutes of the regular June 13 meeting were read and upon motion approved. The action of the Executive Committee in approving and paying bills for July and August and authorizing the Treasurer to borrow funds as necessary from time to time beginning September 1, 1923 to pay pay roll and monthly bills upon motion was approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter of June 15, 1923 from Fidelity and Columbia Trust Company, signed L. F. Michael, Assistant Secretary, in reply to our letter of June 14. Mr. Michael says it will be agreeable to the Trust Company to have someone from the Library familiar

with the work make a list of the library of Mr. Henry Watterson, pictures, art curios, etc. deeded to the library in a codicil to his will. He further writes that the Trust Company will be glad to co-operate in this connection. Upon motion this was referred to the Librarian to have list of books, etc. made.

- b. Letter of June 17, 1923 from Mrs. Bronner Semple Dunkerson, daughter of Mrs. Patty B. Semple, expressing thanks in reply to resolutions of the Board on Mrs. Semple's death.
- c. Letter of August 15, 1923 from Miss Ellen Pope Galt, 1206 Bardstown Road. Miss Galt offers as a loan to the library two oil portraits and a framed tapestry. The portrait of Dr. Galt is known to be a Jouett and the one of Mrs. Galt is supposed to be. The tapestry is a very valuable Jouy print. The Librarian announced that this loan had been accepted under the usual conditions - without liability to the library and subject to written order for return, to be passed on at a regular Board meeting, the library not guaranteeing the portraits and tapestry against loss by fire, theft, damage, etc. Upon motion the acceptance of this loan was approved.
- d. Resignation of Miss Maude Tracy under date of July 24, 1923. Upon motion this was accepted.
- e. The following gifts were announced for record in minutes and vote of thanks:
  1. R.G.Knott - 8 bound volumes Louisville Post
  2. R.P.Cane, 749 S. Second St. - 100 volumes
  3. Mrs. Pierce Butler, 1303 S. First St. - 244 volumes and magazines
  4. Mrs. Casselberry Dunkerson, 1467 St. James Court - 141 volumes and magazines from the library of the late Mrs. Patty B. Semple
  5. Mrs. John L. Woodbury, Weissinger-Gaulbert Act - 16 volumes and other Confederate material

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

September 12, 1923

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

We had no meeting in July or August. The Louisville Trust Company, Treasurer, submitted statements of finances covering both months. The report ending June 30 showed a cash balance of \$13,041.50, report ending July 31 showed a cash balance of \$7,275.32.

The statement as of August 31, 1923 shows a cash balance of 81¢. This balances with the expert accountant's report, which is submitted herewith together with the annual statement from the Treasurer.

On July 14 we paid to Louisville Trust Company \$7,125.00 interest on mortgage. On August 15 we paid to Louisville

Trust Company \$7,122.50, demand loan and interest. These payments were approved by the Executive Committee when other bills were paid. At the same time the Executive Committee authorized the Treasurer to borrow necessary funds from time to time to pay pay roll and current maintenance accounts. I am calling attention to these payments and this action of the Executive Committee authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money for a motion that the action of the Executive Committee be approved.

When we appeared before the Joint Finance Committee of the Board of Aldermen and Councilmen we asked for \$113,000.00 from the city. The Library was allowed  $3\frac{3}{4}$  cents and we were told that this would net us \$113,687.50. With this in mind the budget for the year was adopted. The Treasurer's report shows that we received \$108,768.63. This is \$4,918.87 less than required for the budget we adopted.

When the difference anticipated was learned to be less than \$113,000.00 the Chairman of the Finance Committee instructed the Librarian to economize to live within our means. This necessitated cutting down the book account, not making the repairs that had been anticipated at the Main library and reducing the Staff to a minimum, and to do this left a balance of only eighty-one cents (81¢).

The Treasurer's report shows that we received for all purposes \$160,211.09 and that \$139,385.28 was spent for maintenance, the balance for taking care of the mortgage and interest. These figures are verified in the expert accountant's report.

Respectfully submitted -

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's reports for June, July and August were read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The June report shows a circulation of 67,522 volumes. Of this number 45,720 were circulated to adults and 21,802 to children, sixty-four per cent of the circulation being fiction. The report of the Reference Department shows 2,386 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main Library and branches. There were 1,088 visitors to the Museum in June.

The report for July shows a circulation of 65,271 volumes. Of this number 45,690 volumes were circulated to adults and 19,581 to

children, sixty-three per cent of the circulation being fiction. The report of the Reference Department for July shows 1,807 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There were 143 newspapers read for items and 979 clippings filed. There were 1,334 visitors to the Museum.

The report for August shows a circulation of 63,382 volumes, Of this number 45,165 volumes were circulated to adults and 18,217 to children, sixty-eight per cent of the circulation being fiction. The report of the Reference Department shows 1,679 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. The visitors to the Museum numbered 1,672.

The Librarian's Annual Report for the year ending August 31, 1923 was read as follows:

SOME FACTS AND FIGURES FROM THE  
REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN OF THE  
LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1923

The report of the Librarian of the Louisville Free Public Library for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1923, shows an increase in circulation of books and reference work.

There are 458 centers for the circulation of books in 232 buildings in Louisville and Jefferson County. The circulation of books was 1,214,882 volumes, an increase of 7,534. The report of circulation does not include the books used in reference work and read at the tables at the Main library and branches. No attempt is made to keep a record of the number of times a volume is read when it is taken out. It leaves the building and is counted as one circulation.

BOOKS IN LIBRARY There are 248,037 volumes in the Library, an increase of 7,145. Of these 13,968 were added during the year by purchase, binding and gift. The volumes circulated on an average of 4.89 times.

BOOKS CATALOGED There were 15,105 volumes cataloged. This makes a total of 345,346 books cataloged since the opening of the Library.

BORROWERS There were 9,894 borrowers registered during the year. This makes a total of 57,640 citizens of Louisville and Jeffer-

son County registered users of the Library, a net increase of 1,123. This does not include many children who are using books in classroom collections, and many readers using books in the stations. The registration shows that 55,025 borrowers are living within the city limits, or that 23.42 per cent of the population of Louisville, according to the 1920 U. S. census, are availing themselves of public library privileges.

USE OF BOOKS The total circulation of books was 1,214,882 volumes, an increase of 7,534. This includes 719,545 books read by adults and 495,337 by children. The report shows that 1,154,987 volumes were used by readers within the city limits. This was a circulation of 4.91 volumes per capita.

REFERENCE WORK There were 114,370 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 18,271. There was the usual use of the reference books by children of the public, parochial, and private schools and students of the University of Louisville, Conservatory of Music, Louisville School of Art, and the Baptist and Presbyterian Theological seminaries, with a continued increased use by business men and manufacturers.

CHILDRENS WORK There was a circulation of 495,337 volumes read by children, an increase of 11,403. This was 40.77 per cent of the total circulation. There were 5,065 more important questions asked and topics looked up in reference work in the Children's rooms, an increase of 704. There were 12,143 pictures circulated. The records show a continued increase in the use of the material available by teachers and parents.

STATIONS There are 100 stations for the circulation of books in Louisville and Jefferson County placed for the convenience of readers, an increase of 2. There were 37,532 volumes used in the work, an increase of 8,177. These books continued to do more than double work as the collections were changed at intervals during the year. The circulation of books was 96,281 volumes.

BRANCH LIBRARIES There are 12 branch libraries including the 2 high schools and 1 normal school. The total circulation of books was 632,220 volumes, an increase of 19,315. This was 52.03 per cent of the total circulation. This includes 382,688 books read by adults and 249,532 by children. There are 82,768 volumes available for public use, an increase of 3,336. These volumes circulated on an average of 6.8 times during the year. There were 87,628 more important questions asked and topics looked up, an increase of 17,274.

COLORED DEPARTMENT There are 78 centers for the circulation of books for home use in 45 buildings in Louisville and Jefferson County for colored readers. This includes 2 Carnegie branch buildings, 17 stations, and 59 classroom collections in 26 school buildings. There are 23,826 volumes in the department, an increase of 757. The circulation of books was 117,252 volumes, an increase of 868. This was 9.65 per cent of the total circulation. This includes 45,178 books read by adults and 72,074 by children. There were 9,076 more important questions asked and topics looked up.

JEFFERSON COUNTY There are 155 centers for the circulation of books for home use in 96 buildings in Jefferson County outside of the city of Louisville. The circulation of books was 59,895, or 4.93 per cent of the total circulation. This includes 21,213 books



read by adults and 38,682 by children. Books borrowed from the Main library and branches by county residents are not included in this report.

BLIND READERS Books in embossed type for the blind were loaned free of all cost to readers in Kentucky and other states. There are 764 volumes in the collection, an increase of 87. The circulation for home use was 412 volumes.

MUSEUM The library museum continued to be a popular visiting place. The registration shows 22,227 visitors, an increase of 576. There were some valuable additions made by gift during the year.

STAFF There were a number of resignations from the staff. Assistants leaving for more pay elsewhere made it necessary to continue use of substitutes.

MAINTENANCE The cost of maintenance was \$139,385.28. The accounts were: books \$22,502.04, expense \$9,000.19, pay roll \$88,781.84; light and power \$3,638.48, heat \$7,899.01, furniture and fixtures \$540.80, repairs and improvements \$5,350.42, insurance \$377.14, and interest on loans \$1,295.36. To the maintenance account was added the interest on mortgage \$15,825.00 and retiring principal \$5,000.00, total \$20,825.00, making a total expenditure of \$160,210.28 for the year.

FINANCES The Treasurer's report shows that the Library received from all sources \$160,211.09 as follows: city taxes \$108,768.63, Jefferson County \$10,000.00, fines lost books etc., \$5,442.36, rent \$36,000.00, and balance on hand \$0.10. The total expenditures were \$160,210.28, leaving a balance of 81 cents.

NEEDS OF THE LIBRARY Owing to the number of assistants leaving and the few apprentices reporting for training, more funds will be needed to make the salary schedule more attractive to hold assistants and gain others. In addition, more funds are needed for new books, replacements and binding.

The Library Board took the first step toward organizing a Library School in connection with the Library by naming Dr. Edgar Y. Mullins, Chairman, Dr. Joseph Rauch, Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston and the Librarian as a Committee for organization.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES The Board lost a valuable member and the Library Staff a valuable friend in the death of Mrs. Patty B. Semple.

The Mayor appointed Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston to succeed Mr. George J. Stoll, resigned, and reappointed Dr. Edgar Y. Mullins, Dr. Edward L. Powell and Mr. Philip Ossmann for a term of four years.

Respectfully submitted

GEORGE T. SETTLE

Librarian

The Librarian reported that we had had 35 applications to enter the training class from Louisville and 3 from out of town (white)

and 6 from Louisville and 6 from out of town (colored), a total of 50. The examinations were held June 15, 1923 with the following 14 white and 3 colored reporting:

white	
F. Marjorie Bronner	64
Katie May Brown (University girl)	
Patricia Burrell	70
May Elsie Dearing	84
Thekla Catherine Evers	60
Mary Frances McDonald	82
Marjorie May Minott	62
Nell Lee Peden	46
Emily Belle Potts	85
Cornelia Boone Rosenberger	74
Susan Ray Rosenberger	90
Leone Margaret Smith	79
Marcella Antoinette Tobe	67
Frances Bellis Walker	73
colored	
Mrs. Anna Mae Dell	87
Eliza Esler Gaddie	42
Mrs. Emma Lyons	49

The Librarian reported that since we were not able to get a quorum of the Board of Library Committee he had entered the class to begin work September 4 and that Miss Minott of the white class had dropped out September 7.

The Librarian reported that Mrs. Mary Marr Thompson and Mrs. May McClure Currey, on leave of absence, had returned.

The Librarian reported that we had lost <sup>from the staff and eligible list</sup> during the year, by resignation, to be married or for better pay elsewhere, as follows:

white (15)	
Lillian Allison	Madeline Smith
Gladys Barr	Patty Speed
Mary Louise Burkley	Martha Stewart
Zella Ruth Ellaby	Artie Lee Taylor
Margaret Fox	Maude Tracy
Jean Hess	Virginia Trumper
Edith Kelly	Gertrude Zimmerman
Geraldine Muldoon	
colored (6)	
Julia Reid Jackson	Bertha M. Lewallen

Upon recommendation of the Librarian and the Library Committee the following appointments to the staff, to be assigned by the Li-

brarian, upon motion were approved:

white (4)

Marguerite Dunagan  
 Nell Fowler  
 ✓ Imogene Greenaway  
 Ellen Temple Harding  
 Mildred Bernice Hoar  
 Anita Lazarus  
 Inis Faullin Morrow  
 Katherine H. Sachs  
 June Lucile Shafer  
 Edna Smock  
 ✓ Marguerite Terrell

colored (3)

Vivian Boyd Glass  
 Laura Reid Littlejohn  
 Minnie T. McAfee

Upon motion the Special Committee ( Mr. Heyburn and the Librarian) was authorized to renew the heat contract for another year with Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Company.

Mr. Ossmann, Chairman of the Building Committee, reported that a committee of ladies from Crescent Hill had visited him in regard to placing on the grounds of the Crescent Hill Branch Library a memorial to the young men of Crescent Hill who lost their lives in the World War.

Mr. Ossmann stated that they had wanted to place a fountain and pool on the grounds and that the Building Committee had met to consider this but that he was unable to attend the meeting. Mrs. Abbott reported that she had attended the meeting with Mr. Thruston and the Librarian but that they had not reached a conclusion, although it seemed that Mr. Thruston objected to a fountain and wading pool being placed on the grounds. Mr. Ossmann asked if the Board was willing to grant this permission.

Upon motion the matter was referred back to the Building Committee with the request that this committee of ladies be asked to make their request in writing, stating just what the memorial would be and for the Building Committee to take action on it and make

recommendation to the Board.

The Librarian's report for August showing an expenditure of \$12,550.59 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$7,174.45, voucher No. 128, checks Nos. 7467-7554 inclusive which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid on September 1. This leaves a balance of \$5,376.14 voucher No. 129, checks Nos. 7555-7627 inclusive to be paid:

American Child Health Assn.	\$	5.00
American Historical Society		8.00
American Library Association		2.03
A.J. Anderen		45.46
Arctic Ice Co.		39.40
R. L. Babb		33.00
Baker & Taylor Co.		26.61
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.		6.92
Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.		23.38
Bland Electric Co.		11.43
R. R. Bowker Co.		7.50
Brakmeier Bros.		17.87
Brentano's		6.56
Childers Electric Co.		1.75
Civic Opinion		1.00
Arthur H. Clark		6.00
F. A. Clegg & Co.		55.37
J. E. Coleman		10.00
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.		61.98
H. C. Curry		1.50
Dodd, Mead & Co.		52.65
Electric Blue Print & Supply Co.		2.00
J. W. Fischer		5.20
Gaylord Bros.		131.15
J. N. Grant		8.00
Gulf Refining Co.		10.00
Hammer Printing & Office Supply Co.		40.35
Henry Heick Hardware Co.		6.90
W. C. Heimerdinger		2.45
T. J. Hoke		3.00
H. R. Huntting		246.47
Jewell Electric Co.		2.10
Kaufman-Straus Co.		22.90
Kaufman-Straus Co.		778.10
Kelly Publishing Co.		20.00
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.		1,876.30
Kentucky Tent & Awning Co.		9.50
J. C. Kirchdorfer		1.50
Herman C. Korfhage		2.50
N. Liebschutz		10.00
Lodenkemper Bros.		2.70
Long's Towel Supply Co.		9.00
Longmans, Green & Co.		101.00

Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	88.86
Louisville Grocery Co.	6.75
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Louisville Trust Co.	1.50
Anna Blanche McGill	41.81
Macmillan Co.	12.32
Macmillan Co.	91.10
J. C. Mahon Co.	100.00
Meffert Equipment Co.	3.00
Miller Paper Co.	23.65
Mississippi Valley Historical Society	5.00
John P. Morton & Co.	343.65
C. A. Nichols Publishing Co.	14.40
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Geo. Ramser's Sons	17.00
C. V. Ritter	107.80
Russell Sage Foundation	2.77
Schwarz, Clifford & Scott	2.72
Scientific American Compiling Dept.	9.00
George T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	48.19
Short's Tire Service	2.25
T. Grant Slaughter	101.70
Nancy W. P. Smith	1.80
Southern Historical Society	3.15
W. K. Stewart Co.	132.51
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	20.00
E. O. Watson, Editor, Federal Council of Churches	2.40
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	96.03
H. W. Wilson Co.	320.80
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	5,376.14
Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	7,174.45
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Total . . . . .	\$ 12,550.59

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

OCT 10-1923

Huston Linn President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees Wednesday October 10, 1923  
in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Abbott, Gamble, Hemphill, Ossmann, Pfingst, Powell, Quin, Schuhmann and Settle with President Quin in the chair. Mr. Barker, Dr. Rauch and Mr. Thruston were reported out of the city and Mr. Heyburn and Dr. Mullins unable to attend.

The minutes of the called meeting September 19 were read and upon motion approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter of September 27, 1923 from Mayor Huston Quin, advising the Board that he had appointed Mrs. T. Hoyt Gamble a member of the Board of Trustees to succeed Mrs. Patty B. Semple, deceased. Mrs. Semple's term expires April 1926. The Secretary reported that Mrs. Gamble's oath of affirmation had been received.
- b. Letter of October 4, 1923 from Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co., acknowledging renewal of the heat contract, which reads as follows:
 

"Your letter 2nd inst., received. We acknowledge herewith your renewal of the contract for Heat & Light to be supplied by the Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co., to the Main Library of the Louisville Free Public Library for one year beginning November 1/23.

Respectfully  
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.  
by (Signed) H. WIRGMAN  
Manager"
- c. Gift of 158 volumes from Mrs. George Braden was announced. Upon motion the Librarian was instructed to write a letter of thanks to Mrs. Braden.

The Librarian reported that Col. Forrest Braden, Chief of Police, had asked permission to place two or three signs on the library grounds along York Street, the signs to be of iron piping about seven feet high with a square about 18 by 20 inches on top, painted both sides "No parking on north side."

Upon motion this was granted.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

October 10, 1923

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance of \$819.40 on October 1, 1923 is submitted herewith. To this is to be

added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$3,819.40.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) C. R. HEMPHILL

Member Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for September was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 77,480 volumes. Of this number 51,286 volumes were circulated to adults and 26,194 to children, fifty-seven per cent of the circulation being fiction. The report of the Reference Department shows 9,360 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There were 118 newspapers read for items and 1,198 clippings from newspapers filed. There were 1,117 visitors to the Museum.

Mr. Ossmann, Chairman of the Building Committee, read recommendation as follows:

October 10, 1923

To the Library Board:

The committee of ladies from Crescent Hill who are seeking the privilege from the Library of placing a memorial on the Crescent Hill library grounds, submitted a design for a sun dial. The base is two feet square, pedestal round, fourteen inches in diameter, to be set on concrete foundation three feet deep. The entire height of dial to be four feet, and to be made of Georgia marble.

Your committee recommends that this be granted with the understanding that the location on the grounds is subject to the approval of the Building Committee.

(Signed) PHIL. OSSMANN  
Chairman

Upon motion this was approved.

The Librarian's report for September showing an expenditure of \$9,834.81 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$7,806.87, voucher No. 130, checks Nos. 7628-7730 inclusive, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid October 1. This leaves a balance of \$2,027.94, voucher No. 131,

checks Nos. 7731-7803 inclusive to be paid:

American Concrete Institute	\$	8.00
American Library Association		2.09
American Nature Association		6.00
American Prison Association		3.00
A. J. Anderson		13.50
Arctic Ice Co.		31.56
Baker & Taylor Co.		6.75
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.		22.34
Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.		1.08
Wolf Blitz Glass Co.		13.90
Brakmeier Bros.		4.60
Brown & Martin		14.10
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.		4.47
A. L. Burt Co.		3.13
Cadmus Book Shop		2.19
Carter Dry Goods Co.		3.98
Childers Electric Co.		2.25
Children's Book Shop		142.12
F. A. Clegg & Co.		14.05
J. E. Coleman		10.00
Colson-Cincinnati Co.		58.80
Columbia Carbon Co.		3.60
Cudahy Packing Co.		15.00
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.		60.25
K. Dreher Hardware Co.		6.75
Eugene B. Dye		2.39
Geo. G. Fetter Co.		1.90
J. W. Fischer		2.50
Fischer Soap & Oil Co.		41.33
Gaylord Bros.		86.51
J. N. Grant		8.00
Hammer Printing & Office Supply Co.		62.25
Henry Heick Hardware Co.		1.95
T. J. Hoke		3.00
Kaufman-Straus Co.		88.86
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.		26.50
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind		7.10
Library Bureau		25.00
Lodenkemper Bros.		2.50
Long's Towel Supply Co.		9.00
Longmans, Green & Co.		1.50
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.		104.12
Louisville Home Telephone Co.		39.25
Louisville Paper Co.		17.95
Louisville Towel Supply Co.		8.20
Louisville Trust Co.		1.40
Anna Blanche McGill		36.05
Martin & Hoyt Co.		9.40
Miller Paper Co.		25.23
John P. Morton & Co.		41.07
C. A. Nichols Co.		7.20
Otis Elevator Co.		14.00
Poor's Publishing Co.		60.00
Remington Typewriter Co.		12.00
C. V. Ritter		24.00
Robinson, Wilson & Long		47.00
Dunbar Rowland		76.23



Porter Sargent	4.50
Schwarz, Clifford & Scott	3.57
W.R. Seestadt	12.85
Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	51.26
Short's Tire Service	35.40
Smith Book Co.	11.00
Standard Oil Co.	18.94
W. K. Stewart Co.	363.35
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	20.00
A. J. Wallon & Son	12.49
Chas. K. Webb	10.75
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	126.84
Prince Wells Co.	3.09
Western Union Telegraph Co.	3.75
H. W. Wilson Co.	3.75
Mignon Wright	1.00
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	2,027.94
Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	7,806.87
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Total . . . . .	\$ 9,834.81

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

Voucher No. 132, \$2,217.45 to F. W. Faxon Company, for subscriptions for the year was also submitted and upon motion approved for payment.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Nov 14-1923

Huston Linn President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular monthly meeting Board of Trustees Wednesday November 14, 1923  
in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Abbott, Barker, Gamble, Pfingst, Powell, Quin, Rauch  
Schuhmann and Settle with President Quin in the chair. Dr. Hemphill,  
Dr. Mullins and Mr. Thruston were reported out of the city, Mr. Oss-  
mann with an injured foot and Mr. Heyburn unable to attend. Mr. Oss-  
mann's absence was noted on account of an accident and upon motion  
of Dr. Powell the Librarian was instructed to convey the sympathy and  
best wishes of the Board.

The minutes of the regular October 10 meeting were read and upon  
motion approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter of October 30, 1923 from Mr. J. J. Kunz, City  
Comptroller, requesting that the value of the library  
property and equipment under control of the Board of  
Trustees be re-assessed. He stated that the value  
carried on the books at present, \$1,175,431.00 had  
been made several years ago and that the value of the  
property had increased very materially.  
The Librarian stated that he and the Chairman of the  
Finance Committee had very carefully, following the  
direction of an architect, real estate and insurance  
man, re-assessed the value of the property, placing it  
at \$2,073,998.36. A tabulated statement was submitted later  
by the Chairman of the Finance Committee for record in the  
minutes and upon motion was approved.
- b. Letter of October 18, 1923 from Mr. James C. Moffet, Secre-  
tary, East Broadway Civic Club. Mr. Moffet stated that at  
a special meeting of the Executive Council of the East  
Broadway Civic Club a motion was adopted directing the  
Secretary to inquire of the Library Board if the meeting  
that took place on Tuesday October 16 (1923), State meeting  
of the League of Women Voters, in the Assembly room in  
which Messrs. Dawson and Fields, candidates for Governor  
of Kentucky, was not contrary to a resolution passed  
December 1916 against meetings of a political nature be-  
ing held in the assembly room of the Main library or that  
of any of the branches, etc. Mr. Moffet said he wished  
it to be distinctly understood that this organization is  
not opposed to such gatherings but believes that no better  
use could be made of the assembly rooms than the discussion  
of public questions and the quizzing of candidates for  
public office, and requests that the law be changed if such

meetings as the one referred to are to be permitted in the future.

In connection with this a communication was read from United Trades and Labor Assembly, signed V. I. Cartwright, Corresponding Secretary, enclosing resolutions from Bakery and Confectionery Workers, Journeymen Tailors and Boilermakers. Mr. Cartwright writes that at the regular meeting of the United Trades and Labor Assembly, the resolutions enclosed were unanimously adopted and that on account of the inability of Mr. Ossmann to attend the meeting they were taking this means to lay the matter, as covered by the resolutions, before the Board.

The resolutions urged the Library Board to repeal any law or resolution that it may have enacted in the past prohibiting the discussion of public questions in all buildings under its control. This organization believes library assembly rooms should be used for that purpose, with proper safeguards, of course, forbidding the endorsement of candidates for office either appointive or elective. These resolutions were signed by J. M. Edmondson, delegate from Bakery and Confectionery Workers, C. J. Lehman, delegate from Journeymen Tailors and J. F. Dalton, delegate from Boilermakers. The report of the resolutions committee was signed by George C. Burton, Chairman, H. C. Searle and Jacob Wells.

Later communication was read from Bakery and Confectionery Workers, signed J. M. Edmondson, Secretary Local Union No. 73, requesting the Board to repeal any law or resolution preventing the discussion of public questions in all buildings under its control.

The Librarian stated that the meeting referred to was the regular annual State meeting of the League of Women Voters, which has always been held in this building and that when he learned that the two candidates were to be present and questioned, he conferred with the State Secretary, Miss Anderson, and was told that the two candidates would be asked some questions that had been submitted to each of them and that no other questions would be permitted from the floor or from the candidates. A copy of the questions was submitted to the Librarian and they were recognized as having already been answered in public speeches by both gentlemen. The Librarian conferred with Mayor Quin and Mr. Barker of the Executive Committee, not being able to get in touch with the other two members, Dr. Powell and Mr. Ossmann. The two seen made no objection to the meeting.

The question was discussed fully and upon motion of Dr. Powell the following was adopted:

"Moved that we express gratification at the interest manifested in the conduct of the Louisville Free Public Library as shown in these communications from the East Broadway Civic Club and the United Trades and Labor Assembly, representing the Bakery and Confectionery Workers, Journeymen Tailors, and Boilermakers, and that the Library Board wishes to assure these organizations that in the recent non-partisan meeting held in the Library no rule of the Library governing such meetings was in any way violated.

We further wish to say that we are using the very

best judgment possible in carrying out in perfectly fair play the present rule as to political meetings or such meetings as would tend in any way to create partisan or religious antagonisms and animosities.

While appreciating the suggestions of these organizations we can see no reason to change the existing rules governing such matters."

- c. Resignation of Berneita C. Bennett under date of November 7, 1923 was read and upon motion accepted. Miss Bennett came to us through our training class and was appointed September 1918, having substituted for a year before this. She leaves us to be married.

- d. Letter of November 8, 1923 from Mr. Brent Altsheler, Lincoln Bank Building, Louisville, advising us that in his recent hunt for big game he had bagged three white mountain goat, rare and beautiful species of mountain antelope now to be found only in remote and almost inaccessible fastness.

Mr. Altsheler writes that the specimens have been left with a taxidermist to be prepared for the library and asks if we can find a place for them.

Upon motion Mr. Altsheler's gift was accepted and the Librarian instructed to make a place for it in the museum.

- e. Circular letter of November 13, 1923 from Mr. J. W. House, 507 Third St., asking for use of a room at the Main library to form a class on Plan for Scientific Adequate Financing System.

The Librarian stated that in his talk with Mr. House he had said that it had been the policy of the Library Board to permit meetings in the buildings endorsed by local organizations and clubs and not personal meetings. Upon motion the permission was not granted Mr. House.

- f. Letter of November 14, 1923 from Louisville Gas & Electric Company, which reads as follows:

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

Dear Sir:-

Confirming conversation of a few days ago with reference to the installation of lighting standards on the Central Library property, we will be pleased to install the eight (8) standards at a cost to you of Twelve Hundred (\$1200.00) Dollars, and supply service for same at the rate of Sixty (\$60.00) Dollars per year per standard.

The equipment will be maintained by our Company and the lights will burn in accordance with the street lighting schedule. In other words, the lights will be turned on and off at the same time the city street lights are turned on and off.

We have not had time to complete the drawings showing just where the standards will be located on the proper-

ty, but they will be located at points satisfactory and agreeable to you.

We are enclosing a photograph showing the standard that was installed in Querbacker Court, which is a duplicate of the ones we propose to use if the above proposition meets with the approval of your Board.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) WALTER D. MYERS

Manager, Commercial Department

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The Librarian stated that for several years he had endeavored to have light standards placed on the grounds; that it was a very dark place at night. The grounds are used as a short cut from Fourth to Third and from Third to Fourth but people are afraid to use them after dark, even coming to the library during library hours. He stated that Mr. D. B. G. Rose had offered to install light if standards were furnished and the Library Board would take care of cost of current for light.

The question was discussed very fully on account of no appropriation appearing in the budget. Dr. Rauch questioned the propriety of diverting funds from the book account, which is already too small, for additional light which could not be taken care of in the budget.

Mrs. Gamble suggested that the Board of Public Works be asked to pay for the light as part of city lighting if the standards and installing were taken care of. Upon motion this suggestion was approved.

- g. Gift, by will of Rebecca J. Bennett, deceased, former address Morton Home, through Fidelity and Columbia Trust Company, was announced. The gift included a porcelain miniature of Miss Bennett's father, Charles Fletcher Bennett and a sampler containing porcelain miniature of her mother, Rebecca Cridland Bennett.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

November 14, 1923

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report for October 1923 showing cash balance on November 1 of \$605.20 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library Building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$3,605.20.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and ordered filed.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee submitted the following re-

port:

November 14, 1923

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

Mr. Thomas A. Barker, Chairman, called a special meeting of the Finance Committee Tuesday October 23 at four o'clock in his office in the Louisville Trust Building.

Present: Dr. Rauch, Dr. Pfingst, Mr. Barker and the Librarian. Dr. Hemphill was reported out of the city.

The meeting was called to consider figures for the budget to be presented to the Council for our appropriation from city taxes. The Building Committee and Library Committee had met and submitted figures, the Building Committee asking for \$7,582.41 as necessary for the year and the Library Committee \$141,214.88. These figures with the necessary amount required by the Finance Committee for mortgage, interest, etc., \$21,910.42 amount to \$170,707.71. We should have more money for books but we feel that this amount is absolutely necessary and are submitting it for your approval.

We are submitting copy of budget for record in the minutes.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

See next page for BUDGET

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## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Library Board:

We are submitting BUDGET showing receipts and expenditures necessary for the Louisville Free Public Library for the fiscal year September 1, 1923 - August 31, 1924, as follows:

Source of income	Absolute necessities 1923-24	Receipts last year
City taxes	\$ 119,706.90	\$ 108,768.63
Other sources		
Jefferson county	10,000.00	10,000.00
Fines, lost books, etc.	5,000.00	5,442.36
Rents (K. S. building)	36,000.00	36,000.00
Balance	.81	.10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 170,707.71</b>	<b>\$ 160,211.09</b>

Expenditure Accounts	Absolute necessities 1923-24	Spent last year
Pay Roll, assistants, janitors, etc.	\$ 93,681.57 ✓	\$ 88,781.84 ✓
Books, binding, etc.	27,933.31	22,502.04
Light, Power	3,600.00 ✓	3,638.48
Expense	8,500.00 ✓	9,000.19
Heat	7,500.00 ✓	7,899.01
Furniture & Fixtures	750.00 ✓	540.80
Repairs & Improvements	4,482.41 ✓	5,350.42
Insurance	2,350.00 ✓	377.14
Interest on loans	1,350.00 ✓	1,295.36
<b>Total Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 150,147.29</b>	<b>\$ 139,385.28</b>
Interest on mortgage	15,560.42	15,825.00
Retiring principal	5,000.00	5,000.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$ 170,707.71</b>	<b>\$ 160,210.28</b>

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Librarian

Approved by the Finance Committee

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman

Upon motion this action of the Finance Committee was approved and the budget adopted.

Mr. Barker submitted the following tabulated statement of the value

of the Louisville Free Public Library property.

PROPERTY

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Building	Building value	Real estate value	Total value
* 4th Ave. Building 427-437 S. Fourth Ave.	\$ 322,000.00	\$ 483,000.00	\$ 805,000.00
Main - Bldg. & Contents 301-333 Library Place	685,275.22	166,760.74	852,035.96
Highland Branch Highland Ave. & Cherokee	54,964.57	4,770.00	59,734.57
Portland Branch 33rd & Western Parkway	45,214.00	3,600.00	48,814.00
Cres. Hill Branch Frankfort & Birchwood Ave.	48,880.21	3,600.00	52,480.21
Parkland Branch 28th St. & Virginia Ave.	40,527.81	3,600.00	44,127.81
Shelby Park Branch Hancock and Oak Sts.	44,875.81	3,300.00	48,175.81
Jefferson Branch 1718 W. Jefferson St.	38,441.66	1,650.00	40,091.66
Shawnee Branch 40th and Broadway	10,109.99	4,800.00	14,909.99
Western Colored Branch 10th and Chestnut	63,089.32	3,816.00	66,905.32
Eastern Colored Branch Hancock and Lampton Sts.	35,723.03	6,000.00	41,723.03
Total	\$ 1,389,101.62	\$ 684,896.74	\$ 2,073,998.36

Upon motion this was approved.

This report showing increased valuation of property brought up the question of insurance. The question of increasing insurance on the Kaufman-Straus building and other buildings was referred to the Building Committee to make a report to the Library Board.

The Librarian's report for October was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 115,012 volumes, an increase of 6,027 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 65,518 volumes were circulated to adults and 49,494 to children, fifty-two per cent of the circulation being fiction. The report of the Reference Department shows 17,387 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There were 104 news-



papers read for items and 160 bound volumes of newspapers used in the room. There were 1,193 clippings from newspapers filed. The attendance in the Museum for October was 1,327.

The following report was read by Mrs. Abbott of the Building Committee and upon motion approved:

November 14, 1923

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

Mr. Ossmann, Chairman, called a meeting of the Building Committee at Crescent Hill Branch Library at four o'clock Friday October 19.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Ossmann, Mrs. J. H. Heil, Mrs. L. T. Haney, Miss Berryman, Mr. Moore, representing Peter & Burghard Stone Co., and the Librarian. Mr. R.C. Ballard Thruston was out of the city and Dr. Mullins notified the committee that he could not be present but would abide by the decision of the other two members.

The meeting was called to decide on the location of the memorial that had been authorized by action of the Library Board at its last meeting.

The consensus of opinion seemed to be that it should be placed to the left of the walk as you enter the building but it was finally decided to place it in the neighborhood of the flag staff on the east lawn.

Respectfully submitted

Chairman Building Committee

The Librarian's report for October showing an expenditure of \$15,960.86 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll \$7,979.22, voucher No. 133, checks Nos. 7804-7905 inclusive, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid November 1. This also includes voucher No. 132, \$2,217.45 to F. W. Faxon Co. for subscriptions, which was approved for payment at the October Board meeting. This leaves a balance of \$5,774.19, voucher No. 134, checks Nos. 7906-7997 inclusive to be paid:

American Book Co.	\$	37.86
American Library Association		3.70
American Library Association		9.12
American Nature Association		27.65

A. J. Anderson	59.09
Arctic Ice Co.	30.38
Baker & Taylor Co.	98.88
James R. Barrie	9.00
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	70.91
Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.	4.55
Bland Electric Co.	5.30
Bloom & Herrmann	21.57
Bomar-Summers Hardware Co.	13.30
R. R. Bowker Co.	4.25
Bradstreet Co.	4.00
Breckel Press	14.00
Carter Dry Goods Co.	8.85
Caufield & Shook	1.00
Chamber of Commerce of the United States of America	3.00
Childers Electric Co.	1.20
Children's Book Shop	485.64
James Clark Jr. Electric Co.	12.35
John Clark Co.	2.63
F. A. Clegg & Co.	141.18
J. E. Coleman	10.00
Committee of Reference & Counsel of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America	1.25
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	61.98
T. S. Denison & Co.	1.96
E. P. Dutton & Co.	18.37
Eugene B. Dye	7.50
Electric Blue Print & Supply Co.	1.35
Embry Box Co.	14.25
Fillmore Music Co.	8.01
J. W. Fischer	2.70
Gaylord Bros.	30.85
J. N. Grant	8.00
Hammer Printing & Office Supply	15.00
Robert L. Hawes & Co.	28.13
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	3.00
B. Herder Book Co.	25.25
H. Hesse	1.50
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff	3.00
H. R. Huntting Co.	19.55
Kaufman-Straus Co.	696.06
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	426.60
Library Bureau	99.35
Library of Congress	100.00
N. Liebschutz	4.00
Lodenkemper Bros.	2.70
Long's Towel Supply Co.	9.00
Longmans, Green & Co.	42.67
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	116.80
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Paper Co.	30.35
Louisville Towel Supply	8.20
Louisville Trust Co.	1.50

Anna Blanche McGill	63.44
John J. McHenry & Co.	9.40
Weffert Equipment Co.	1.50
Wengel Co.	49.01
Edw. J. Miller & Co.	23.50
Miller Paper Co.	25.75
Milliken Battery Service	3.00
Noah Farnham Morrison	18.90
John P. Morton & Co.	17.55
National Education Association of the U.S.	5.00
National Municipal League	5.00
Daniel H. Newhall	1.50
Office Equipment Co.	1.00
Otis Elevator Co.	95.50
Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.	3.54
Alfred Pirtle	12.25
Rand, McNally Co.	31.88
Remington Typewriter Co.	7.00
C. V. Ritter	39.50
Row, Peterson & Co.	2.54
Ruud Mfg. Co.	2.35
St. Bernard Mining Co.	150.48
Schwarz, Clifford & Scott	29.66
Chas. Scribner's Sons	1.84
Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	79.39
Short's Tire Service	1.00
J. E. Sikking & Bros.	27.00
Smith Book Co.	110.00
Southern Literary Magazine	3.00
Standard Oil Co.	18.85
W. K. Stewart Co.	1 047.65
Thomas Publishing Co.	10.75
University of Kentucky	3.90
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	944.52
H. W. Wilson Co.	16.50
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	5,774.19
Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	7,969.22
Pd) F. W. Faxon Co.	2,217.45
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Total	\$ 15,960.86

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Dec 12 - 1923

W. K. Stewart President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary



Attention was called to the fact that this would cost \$3,000 or \$4,000 and that the Library Board would have to pay half of it, and that no provision had been made for such an expenditure in the budget. Mayor Guin suggested that the library use Mr. E. E. Bristow, City Assessor, to represent the library in this transaction and impressed it upon the committee to avoid any expenditure in making this appraisalment.

Upon motion it was approved that Mr. Washer be asked to present his proposition in writing to be referred to the Finance Committee to form some recommendations to be presented at a called meeting of the Board.

The hour being late the President called for any special matters to be acted on.

Dr. Powell, Chairman of the Library Committee, reported that the bills had been audited and moved that they be paid. Upon motion this was approved.

The recommendation of the Library Committee that checks for December salaries, which are usually paid on the first of January, be paid on or before December 21 upon motion was approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter of November 20, 1923 from Fidelity and Columbia Trust Co., as follows:

Louisville Free Public Library  
City  
(Attention Mr. Geo. T. Settle)

Gentlemen:

The following is an extract from the will of Cornelia S. Perring, deceased, whose estate is being administered by this Company as Executor:

"My pictures - original and copies made in Europe I bequeath to the Public Library of this City in trust for a future Art Gallery - provided they are thought worthy - and not relegated to a lumber room in the meanwhile."

If you have had an opportunity of passing on the pictures (a list of which we handed you this morning) kindly advise us of your attitude concerning the

acceptance of this bequest so that we can forthwith settle the matter.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) L. F. MICHAEL

LFM MG

Trust Officer

The Librarian announced that as requested by Mr. Michael he had seen these pictures with Miss Fullerton of our Reference Department at the same time the property was being appraised by Mr. Lindsay and Mr. Webb and that they all pronounced the pictures worth while and he had accepted them since it was necessary to get them out of the house that day.

Upon motion the action of the Librarian was approved.

- b. Resignation of Inis F. Morrow was read and upon motion accepted. Miss Morrow came to us through our training class of 1922-23 and was appointed September 19, 1923. She resigned to be married.
- c. Gift of a large sail fish ( a scarce specimen ) by Mrs. H. Johnston, 1364 South First Street was announced and upon motion accepted.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

December 12, 1923

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance on December 1, 1923 of \$524.41 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$3,524.41.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee read report as follows:

December 12, 1923

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Chairman of the Finance Committee, with the Librarian, appeared before the Joint Finance Committee of the Board of Aldermen and Councilmen, and asked for \$119,700.00 for library purposes this year. This was the amount we thought absolutely necessary to conduct the library as it was conducted last year and to take care of increases in salaries, which had gone into effect February of last fiscal year, and necessary increases in insurance, policies falling due, and countermanded orders for books and rebinding of

last year, and necessary repairs at the Main building that had been deferred last year.

Since this meeting we see from the daily press that the library has been reduced from 3 3/4 cents to 3 5/8 cents, but they report that the income from taxes this year, plus back taxes, will give us \$121,280.00. From our experience with library finances we have learned that what is lacking in taxes paid one year is about made up with back taxes of former years.

Mr. Kunz, Comptroller, says that one cent will net about \$32,000.00. This would give us, if all the taxes were paid, \$116,280.94 and that we should receive in back taxes about \$5,000.00, making the total \$121,280.94.

A conservative estimate of what we may count on next year is \$116,000.00, some \$3,000.00 less than our budget calls for. This can only be taken from the book account and our budget should be revised accordingly.

I recommend that the repairs, etc. included in the budget be attended to as far as funds are available.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved.

The Librarian's report for November was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 116,131 volumes, an increase of 5,745 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 63,685 volumes were circulated to adults and 52,446 to children, fifty-seven per cent of the circulation being fiction. The report of the Reference Department shows 15,774 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There were 83 newspapers read for items and 1,436 clippings from newspapers filed. There were 1,994 visitors to the Museum during the month.

Mayor Quin suggested that a book shower be arranged for the library. He had had several of his friends suggest that they had quite a number of "good things" they might give and moved that Mrs. Abbott and Mrs. Gamble be named as a committee to make the arrangements. Upon motion this was approved.

The following report was read by the Secretary for the Building Committee:

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The question of additional insurance on the Kaufman-

Straus building, Main library and branches, referred to the Building Committee, has not been acted on for the reason that figures that were to be presented by the Librarian are not yet available.

The Librarian has requested Mr. T. V. Ponder, fire insurance adjuster, who offered to do the work for him, to give us the estimated amount of insurance necessary to bring these buildings up to the per cent of insurance necessary under the insurance clause, and the difference in cost of taking out regular insurance without the co-insurance clause on each building. Mr. Ponder has begun this work but was called out of the city on business explains the delay.

Mr. Smith, of the Kentucky Acturial Bureau, has asked us for a statement of value of properties insured and the amount of insurance carried on each piece of property. The Librarian has these figures and can give them to Mr. Smith if instructed to do so by the Library Board.

Respectfully submitted

Chairman Building Committee

Upon motion this was received.

The Librarian's report for November showing an expenditure of \$15,394.02 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll \$8,200.22, voucher No. 135, checks Nos. 7998-8101 inclusive, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid December 1. This leaves a balance of \$7,193.80, voucher No. 136, checks Nos. 8102-8200 inclusive to be paid:

Aldine Book Co.	\$ 2.00
American Library Association	31.19
Arctic Ice Co.	23.10
Samuel L. Avery Co.	25.00
Baker & Taylor Co.	200.00
Baptist Book Concern	1.58
J.W.E. Bayly & Co.	14.10
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	69.96
Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.	4.55
Bensinger Outfitting Co.	12.72
Bomar-Summers Hdw. Co.	1.95
R. R. Bowker Co.	20.60
Brakmeier Bros.	4.15
Breckel Press	44.00
Breuer & Co.	19.13
Burkley & Tierney	13.50
Canadian Review Co.	8.69



Carpenter & Dudley	9.40
Caufield & Shook	1.00
Childers Electric Co.	24.41
Children's Book Shop	386.85
F. A. Clegg & Co.	8.99
J. E. Coleman	10.00
Commercial Lithographing Co.	94.00
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	61.72
Denhard Co.	15.00
R. O. Dusch	2.50
Eugene B. Dye	9.75
Embry Box Co.	9.50
Falls City Buggy Top Co.	12.86
F. W. Faxon Co.	1.68
Federal Glue Co.	17.56
Geo. G. Fetter Co.	16.50
Gaylord Bros.	9.35
Fritz L. Gienandt	4.00
J. N. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Co.	18.21
Hammer Printing & Office Supply Co.	1.00
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff	6.00
H. R. Huntting Co.	24.47
International Art & Science Book Co.	1.05
International Time Recording Co.	7.13
R. Jeunesse & Sons	126.03
Kaufman-Straus Co.	1 259.57
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	630.65
Kentucky Printshop Co.	31.00
Kentucky Tent & Awning Co.	9.00
Kentucky Workshop for Adult Blind	10.10
E. J. Kimble Co.	2.12
L. L. Knight	2.90
C. A. Knollenberg	6.25
Herman C. Korfhage	4.00
Lampton, Crane & Ramey Co.	12.15
Library Bureau	51.60
N. Liebschutz	10.50
Lodenkemper Bros.	2.50
Long's Towel Supply Co.	9.00
Longmans, Green & Co.	16.29
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	150.27
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Louisville Trust Co.	236.10
A. C. McClurg & Co.	6.16
Anna Blanche McGill	23.61
Weffert Equipment Co.	3.50
Miller Paper Co.	25.63
Carl J. Mittler	12.62
Moellmann & Hennessy	12.75
Noah Farnham Morrison	1.35
John P. Morton & Co.	11.03
National Committee for the Prevention of Blindness	2.00
National Conference on City Planning	5.00

Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Marion Jane Parker	1.10
Wm. B. Pell	66.00
Presbyterian Book Store	29.00
Public Libraries	12.00
Rand, McNally & Co.	1.20
Rehm Printing Co.	32.50
C. V. Ritter	60.65
Robinson, Wilson & Long	9.00
St. Bernard Mining Co.	227.94
C. Schwartzwalder & Co.	1.75
Schwarz, Clifford & Scott	8.82
Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	75.29
Short's Tire Service	14.57
J. E. Sikking & Bro.	92.50
Smith Book Co.	4.09
Standard Oil Co.	9.38
Standard Printing Co.	85.75
W. K. Stewart Co.	1 403.99
Studies in Philology	27.30
Tullar-Meredith Co.	1.70
University of Chicago Press	2.78
Oscar Wegelin	12.14
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	971.34
John Willy	4.00
H. W. Wilson Co.	42.83
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Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	8 200.22
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Total . . . . .	\$ 15 394.02

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Jan 9-1924

Huston Quinn President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LIST OF PICTURES INCLUDED IN WILL OF CORNELIA S. PERRING

1. Madame Le Brun and Daughter  
copied from the original by Max le Brun Louvre Paris
2. Princess Elizabeth of France  
after Rubens - from original Louvre Paris
3. The Broken Pitcher - after Greuse from original Louvre Paris
4. Portrait of Vandyk - by same - from original Louvre Paris
5. Portrait of Rembrandt - by same from original - Florence Italy
6. Beatrice Cenci - after Guido - Rome
7. Countess Aurora von Konigsmark - by Rosalba-from original  
Dresden, Germany
8. "Cupid sharpening an arrow" by Raphael Mengs - from original  
Dresden, Germany
9. Head of an Old Woman by Denner from original Louvre Paris
10. "Pieta" by A. Carracci - from original Louvre Paris  
Originals
11. "Homeless" - water color
12. Spanish girl - pastel
13. Peaches - pastel
14. Grapes - pastel
15. Bull terrier - "Roscoe" - oil
16. Madonna - oil
17. "Cupid's choir" - water color
18. Miniature of old woman (china)
19. Miniature on Ivory of a former belle ( *Musee* )
20. Crayon portrait of the late Prof. C. Perring - by Miss T. Saunders
21. Lady (on china)
22. Pedestal and bust of Perkins

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting, Board of Trustees, Wednesday January 9, 1924  
in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill,  
Mr. Heyburn, Mr. Gssmann, Dr. Pflingst, Dr. Powell, Mayor Quin, Dr. Rauch,  
Father Schuhmann and Mr. Settle, with President Quin in the chair.  
Dr. Mullins was reported ill and Mr. Thruston out of the city.

The minutes of the regular December 12, 1923 meeting were read and  
upon motion approved.

The Secretary read communication as follows:

THE LOUISVILLE TRUST COMPANY  
Louisville, Ky.

Dec. 26th, 1923

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

My dear Mr. Settle:

Mrs. Fannie Bullitt Marshall, owner of a beautiful  
piece of statuary (known as the "Fisher Girl"), at the  
Seelbach Hotel, is very anxious to sell same and offers  
it for \$1000.00. \$3000.00 was paid for it by her grand-  
mother in 1850. It is the work of Taddolini.

I think it would be a good idea, if it can be done,  
to purchase the statuary for the Library, and would be a  
beautiful ornament for it. I would like for you to look  
at it and tell me what you think of it. It may be that  
some public spirited citizen can be found who would make a  
present of it to the Library.

Yours truly,

(Signed) JOHN STITES

President

JS/H

The Board felt that the Library's finances were not in a condition  
at this time to purchase the statuary even at the reduced price.  
The Librarian reported that he wanted to show the letter to a  
library friend who might consider purchasing it.

Upon motion the Secretary was instructed to write Mr. Stites thank-

ing him for calling our attention to it, with regrets that we were not able to purchase it with library funds.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

January 9, 1924

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance on January 1, 1924 of \$1,105.70 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$4,105.70.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 97,518 volumes, an increase of 152 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 54,378 volumes were circulated to adults and 43,140 to children, fifty-five per cent of the circulation being fiction. The report of the Reference Department shows 8,519 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. The attendance in the Civics Room was 1,873 and the visitors to the Museum numbered 1,838. There were 1,472 volumes added to the library and 1,429 volumes cataloged in December.

On call for unfinished business the Secretary read as follows:

January 9, 1924

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Finance Committee, on call of Mr. Barker, Chairman, met in Mr. Barker's office on Thursday evening January 3, 1924 at 7:30 o'clock.

Present: Dr. Hemphill, Dr. Pflingst, Mr. Barker and the Librarian. Dr. Rauch reported that he was unable to attend.

This meeting was called to consider propositions to make to the Library Board regarding renewing lease on Kaufman-Straus building.

Read paper that was approved unanimously by the members of

the Finance Committee present at called meeting.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Mr. Barker read report of this committee as follows:

To Trustees of Louisville Free  
Public Library:-

Your Finance Committee has considered the following questions relative to the Kaufman-Straus lease:-

- (a) Shall an appraisement be made at this time?
- (b) By whom shall the appraisement be made?
- (c) Upon what terms shall the Library agree to appraisement?
- (d) Upon what terms grant an additional term of twenty years?

In this connection we submit herewith, as part hereof, the opinion by Mr. Wm. T. Baskett, of City Legal Department, and letter of Mr. Benj. S. Washer, Attorney for Kaufman-Straus Company.

1st. We are of the opinion that it is advisable to make the appraisal at this time, in order that the lessee may determine whether or not it will be able to exercise the option. Mr. Baskett advises that no legal reason exists why the appraisal cannot be made. The Trustees hold the legal title and would undoubtedly have the right to change the terms of the lease, if agreeable to the lessee.

2nd. The appraisal committee of the Real Estate Board is thoroughly conversant with values and its members are so well qualified to handle the question that we believe it advisable to submit the question to their judgment. It is true, the City Assessor has fixed the value at a sum that would yield a substantial increase, but it hardly seems fair to insist that a representative of one department of City Government be asked to act in fixing value of property owned by another branch.

Several months ago, in response to request from this Committee, the Real Estate Board advised that the cost of appraisal would be one-half of one per cent of value, plus such additional expense, as examination by architect &c.

In this connection, we would suggest, that in view of appraisal made now, that lessee either agree to pay the entire cost thereof, or that it be requested to advance the Library's portion. The sums, so advanced, to be deducted from the first rental under the renewal in 1928, but without interest charge.

3rd. The appraisal, at this time, should be made upon the express agreement, by the lessee, that when made, the lessee shall either accept or reject within thirty days. If accepted, the agreement exercising the option for twelve years from January 31st, 1928,

shall be immediately signed. If rejected, the refusal to exercise option and agreeing to vacate premises January 31st, 1928, shall be signed. If accepted, the lessee shall agree to immediately begin making repairs and shall spend immediately not less than \$50,000.00.

We further suggest that as an additional consideration for making appraisal, at this time, that the lease be so modified, as to provide that the Library shall not be required to make any repairs or improvements from and after the date, the option is exercised; that the lease contain a clause providing that before any repairs or alterations of any kind are made by the lessee, except ordinary repairs or alterations, that the written consent of trustees shall be obtained. The lease should also be amended to provide that repairs, necessary in maintaining the building in good condition, shall not be made at option of lessee only, but that this Board may, from time to time, inspect the building and if in its judgment the property is not being properly maintained, the lessee shall immediately make the necessary repairs.

4th. We see no objection to granting an extension of twenty years from January 31st, 1940, upon following terms. At any time after January 31st, 1938, an appraisal shall be made substantially upon same terms as set forth in the original lease and the lessee shall be given thirty days from and after the date of such appraisal to determine whether or not it will exercise the option for an extension. The appraisal to be made at the request of either party.

However, we think that the rental for the additional period should not be less than ten per cent of the appraised value. Under the present lease the twelve year option calls for eight per cent of appraised value. If we were to offer this property for sale, no individual could afford to buy it at its appraised value. Deducting taxes and insurance would reduce the rental to less than five per cent.

Under the present lease the lessee will obtain a renewal, even at an appraisement that might be construed as excessive, at a much cheaper rental than could be elsewhere had. Because the property is exempt from taxation is no reason why the City should be deprived of the income to which it is entitled. If the rental value be fixed at a sum equivalent to that to which a tax payer would be entitled, then the City will practically receive taxes, as such increase would justify a decrease in the levy for Library purposes.

The twenty year option should also contain a provision relieving the Trustees of the city to make any repairs and requiring the lessee to, at all times, keep the property in good repair.

In this report we do not make any reference to the terms and provisions of the present lease except so far as they relate to option and repairs and we assume that this Board does not desire to make any changes except, so far as it may be necessary, to protect interest of parties.

In conclusion, we may add that clause 13 of lease provides, "It is agreed that either party intending to make a change in this

lease shall give notice of such intention one year before the expiration of the lease." Undoubtedly, this was inserted, at the time, in order that the lessor might be advised by January 31st, 1927, whether or not the lessee intended to exercise the option and in consenting to the appraisement, at this time, we believe that the Trustees are not making any unusual demands.

Respectfully submitted

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This was discussed very fully and it was thought advisable to read Mr. Washer's letter of December 13, 1923. This was read by Mr. Barker, as follows:

December 13, 1923

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with my agreement with you in conference yesterday afternoon, I am herewith submitting in writing a resume of the information which I endeavored to impart to you relative to the plans, needs and desires of the Kaufman-Straus Company, your tenant in the building located at ~~425-431~~ <sup>427-427</sup> Fourth Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky.

The current lease expires January 31, 1928. The contract of leasehold provides for an option on the part of the tenant to renew the lease for an additional period of twelve years beyond January 31, 1928, subject to all terms and conditions contained in said lease, with the exception of the rental to be paid for such extended period, which rental is to be adjusted by arbitration, the manner and terms of which are set forth in the lease. It is also provided that when said valuation so fixed by arbitration shall have been made, the tenant is to pay at the rate of 8% per annum on such valuation, as rental.

The Kaufman-Straus Company has, during the past six months, as a result of quickened activity in other sections of the city devoted to the retail business, received several attractive propositions for removal of its store from the present location to proposed locations in new buildings. My client has carefully considered the respective propositions, together with the estimated cost of moving and the estimated expense of operation after removal. It has done this for the purpose of determining whether it would be more advantageous to continue occupancy in its present location or to accept one of the propositions so made.

After mature deliberation, my client, as I stated to you quite frankly in the conference of yesterday, has concluded that



should a satisfactory rental be obtainable for a period commensurate with the expense which would devolve upon it to make the present building habitable and attractive for such period, it would prefer to remain in the quarters now occupied by it.

Those of you who are in the slightest degree familiar with the physical condition of the present building, or who are familiar with the requirements of a modern, progressive department store, must realize that a large sum of money would necessarily be expended on the old building to put it in such condition as would make it useable and would enable my client to make such forward steps as will be in keeping with its present and past leadership of the retail merchants of Louisville. The expenditures which are contemplated will include improvement to the physical building and other improvements in the nature of furniture and fixtures made necessary by the proposed enlargement of existing departments and the establishment of new departments in the store. My client would not wish to expend the funds which will be necessary to properly preserve the improve the store now in use by it, unless it could allocate that expense over such a period of years as would justify the investment.

Such improvements as will be made, either with or without the extension of the privilege of an additional twenty years, as requested, will be measured by the term of right of occupancy. By this I mean to say that if my client is granted the right of an additional twenty years' occupancy, very much larger and more pretentious improvements would be made than if merely the existing right is exercised. Furthermore, the granting of the requested extension may, in a great measure, determine whether the existing option would be exercised or whether my client will accept one of the several proffered tenancies.

It has occurred to me, and I so stated to you yesterday, that it may be well for your Board to grant such concessions to your tenant as will serve as an inducement to the tenant to continue occupancy of your building. A structure so large as the one under discussion and in such a state of repair as now exists and will exist as of January 31, 1928, due to ordinary wear and tear and natural decay, should my client determine to move, would be difficult to rent, for there are few organizations in a community the size of Louisville that are of such magnitude as could make use of such a building or who would pay the required rental. The granting of the extension requested and the installation of the improvements proposed, would, I am positive, practically insure not only the exercise of the present rights under the lease, but of the future rights of extension which client is hereby requesting, provided, of course, that the appraisal as determined by the arbitrators shall be within reason.

The Kaufman-Straus Company asks a prompt response on your part to the request for a twenty-year option beyond January 31, 1940, because it must determine now whether it will remain in your building or move. An advantage would accrue to it by your prompt conclusion, for it will be enabled, if arrangements are not satisfactory, to make satisfactory arrangements with other persons; and an advantage will likewise accrue to you because you will be advised in advance, of the

situation as to tenancy, and you will be enabled to make such arrangements as will be proper in the premises.

I especially request for my client that you immediately agree with us on appraisers, so that the valuation of the building may be now fixed and the rental for the additional twelve-year period be ascertained. I trust that you have authorized such an appraisal, as I cannot see but that it is to the mutual advantage of the parties concerned.

I have promised you, in response to a request made by one of your members in the conference yesterday, that after the appraisal shall have been made and after and if the extension shall have been granted, we will let you know within thirty days' time, in writing, whether client will continue occupancy or surrender the premises.

The questions was asked me by Mayor Quin, at the conference, whether my client would guarantee any definite sum to be expended in the improvement of the building should the requested extension be granted and should the appraisal be satisfactory. I have this morning submitted this question to the officers of the company and, while they state that I may assure you of large and visible improvements during the term proposed, they do not want to place themselves in a position of guaranteeing anything beyond the sum of \$50,000.00, arrangements for the expenditure of which sum would promptly be made immediately upon the renewal of the lease. They do not desire to guarantee more because they prefer to make the extensions when and as they elect, and they do not know either the cost of the same or the exact nature. They do know that if the lease is extended the \$50,000.00 of improvements would positively be promptly undertaken.

In considering the propositions herein outlined, it would probably be well for you to know, as I stated yesterday, that during the past five years an average expenditure for repairs on the building of \$7,000.00 per year has been made. A much larger sum would have to be expended in the future to put the building in the condition that it should be, and it seems to me but fair that these facts should enter into your considerations.

In conclusion and summing up the facts related herein, my client makes two definite requests: first, that an arbitration be immediately had to fix the valuation and the resulting rental of the building. Second, that an option be granted for an extension of twenty years of occupancy beyond January 31, 1940.

Trusting that you will appreciate the importance of early decision on all matters herein contained, both for yourselves and for my client, I am,

Most respectfully yours,

(Signed) BENJ. S. WASHIER

Dr. Powell moved that these recommendations of the Finance Committee be approved and that the appraisement be made immediately. Mr. Heyburn

moved as an amendment to Dr. Powell's motion that since there are no funds available and it is not necessary for us to make the appraisal at this time, the proviso be added provided that the Kaufman-Straus Company will agree to pay the full cost of appraisal. After some discussion this amendment was accepted by Dr. Powell and upon motion was passed unanimously.

The Librarian's report for December 1923 showing an expenditure of \$19,501.33 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$7,760.70, voucher No. 138, checks Nos. 8201-8299 inclusive, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid December 20. This also includes interest on mortgage \$7,837.50, voucher No. 137 to Louisville Trust Co., signed by Chairman of Finance Committee and paid December 14. This leaves a balance of \$3,903.13, voucher No. 139, checks Nos. 8300-8381 inclusive to be paid:

Arctic Ice Co.	\$ 20.53
Baker & Taylor Co.	69.33
Baptist Book Concern	1.58
Barret, Robinson & Dickey	9.87
James R. Barrie	2.00
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	7.93
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Booker & Kinnaird	16.92
Brown & Martin	26.20
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J.E. Coleman	10.00
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	61.09
Danforth & Co.	17.63
H. V. Davis & Co.	10.58
Dien & Wing Paper Co.	15.80
Dodd, Head & Co.	2.45
Dugan, Humphrey & Co.	21.15
Electric Blue Print & Supply Co.	1.35
Geo. G. Fetter Co.	1.85
J. W. Fischer	1.80
Gaunt & Harris	28.20
Gaylord Bros.	77.75
J. N. Grant	8.00
Hammer Printing & Office Supply Co.	7.05
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	23.06
S. E. Hendricks Co.	12.00

H. S. Hirschberg	9.50
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff	3.00
Jos. Hubbuch, Sr. & Sons	10.50
H. R. Huntting Co.	133.82
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Caroline D. Johnston	122.30
Kaufman-Straus Co.	136.55
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	355.30
Liberty Fire Insurance Co.	7.05
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Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Longmans, Green & Co.	24.26
Louisville Courier-Journal-Louisville Times	54.60
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	162.89
Louisville Grocery Co.	6.75
Louisville Herald	28.60
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Post	23.40
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	6.20
Louisville Trust Co.	2.40
Anna Blanche McGill	48.86
John J. McHenry & Co.	36.66
Macmillan Co.	83.31
Miller Paper Co.	13.42
Morehouse Publishing Co.	1.02
John P. Morton & Co.	111.25
National Child Welfare Assn.	1.80
C. A. Nicholson Publishing Co.	7.20
Office Equipment Co.	1.00
Otis Elevator Co.	17.90
Pirtle, Weaver & Menefee	21.15
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Rand, McWally & Co.	16.76
Reutlinger & Co.	3.53
St. Bernard Mining Co.	94.76
C. Schwartzwalder	2.25
Chas. Scribner's Sons	2.83
W. R. Seestadt	15.40
Geo. T. Settle, Librarian, Petty Cash	94.86
Short's Tire Service	2.14
J. B. Slaughter & Co.	28.20
Special Libraries Assn.	4.00
Standard Oil Co.	9.38
Standard Printing Co.	14.40
W. K. Stewart Co.	345.83
Stith & Harris	10.58
Frederick A. Stokes Co.	4.50
Stone & Gnau	42.30
Timberlake & Trueheart	21.00
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	1 108.89

Prince Wells Co.	23.77
Western Union Telegraph Co.	3.75
H. W. Wilson Co.	<u>11.89</u>
	\$ 3 903.13
Pd) Louisville Trust Co.	
Interest on mortgage	7 837.50
Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Librarian, Pay Roll	<u>7 760.70</u>
Total . . . . .	\$19 501.33

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

June 21 - 1924

Newton Linn President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Called meeting Board of Trustees, Monday January 21, 1924 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Mayor Quin, Dr. Rauch, Father Schuhmann, Mr. Thruston and Mr. Settle, with President Quin in the chair. Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn and Mr. Ossmann were reported out of the city and Dr. Mullins has been sick and we were not able to reach him by telephone.

The following call for the meeting was made by the Finance Committee:

January 18, 1924

Board of Trustees  
Free Public Library  
Louisville, Kentucky.

To the Board of Trustees:

The Finance Committee of the Board of Trustees, Louisville Free Public Library calls a special meeting of the Board for Monday, January 21, 1924, 5 p.m., in the Librarian's office, to hear their report and recommendations on the Kaufman-Straus lease, and to consider and act upon same.

This is a very important meeting and Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Committee, desires a full attendance.

Please signify on enclosed post card whether or not we may expect you to be present.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

GTS/B

Secretary and Librarian

The question of reading the minutes was asked. It was thought best to read at least that part of the minutes that had to do with the matter in hand so the minutes were read <sup>in full</sup> and upon motion approved.

Mr. Barker read his letter to Mr. Washer as follows:

SEE NEXT PAGE

January  
Fourteenth  
1924

Mr. Benj. S. Washer,  
Inter-Southern Bldg.,  
City.

Dear Sir:-

The Trustees of Louisville Free Public Library considered the request of your client, Kaufman-Straus Company, relative to appraisement of property and an additional twenty years after January 31st, 1940, and authorized me to submit the following:-

1st. As to appraisal at this time: The Board will agree to the appraisal at this time provided:

(a) Kaufman-Straus Company pay the cost thereof. No Library funds are available for that purpose at this time.

(b) The appraisal to be made by the Committee of Real Estate Board composed of Messrs. J. Lithgow Smith, Caldwell Norton, Thos. Bohannon, I. Sidney Jenkins and C. C. Heatt.

(c) When appraisal is made your client will notify the Trustees within thirty (30) days whether or not it will exercise the option for an additional twelve (12) years from January 31st, 1928. If exercised, an additional agreement shall be immediately prepared and signed, in which your client must agree to immediately spend the sum of at least Fifty Thousand & no/100 (\$50,000.00) Dollars in making repairs and improvements.

(d) Your client must agree to the amendment of the present lease to the extent that the Trustees shall from and after the date the option is exercised, be relieved from making any repairs or improvements of any nature during the remainder of the term and the additional twelve years. By this is meant the Trustees will not be required to repair roof or do any of the repairs now required of the lessor.

(e) The lease shall also be amended so as to provide that before any repairs or alterations of any kind are made by the lessee, except ordinary repairs or alterations, written consent of Trustees shall be obtained.

(f) The lease shall further provide that repairs necessary in maintaining the building in good condition shall not be made at the option of lessee only, but the Trustees may, from time to time, inspect the building and if in their judgment the property is not being properly maintained, the lessee shall, upon written notice by Trustees, immediately make such repairs as will bring the property to the condition required.

(g) In the event your client declines to accept the appraisal value and to comply with all agreements herein set forth, then the option for an additional twelve (12) years shall become null and void.

(h) The lease shall contain a provision to the effect that failure to comply with all the agreements therein agreed to be performed by the lessee shall, at option of lessor, operate as a cancellation of lease, and possession to be immediately given; provided, however, thirty (30) days written notice shall be

given by the Trustees of intention to recover possession. This is not intended to be the clause, but to give you an idea of the nature of the provision. The Trustees simply want to be assured that all terms and provisions will be complied with and to be vested with power to enforce.

2nd. As to option for an additional twenty (20) years from January 31st, 1940. This will be granted upon following terms:

- (1) Acceptance of all provisions relative to No. 1 herein.
- (2) At any time after January 31st, 1938, at request of either lessor or lessee, appraisal shall be made as set forth in present lease and when made the lessee shall have thirty (30) days from and after the date of such appraisal to determine whether or not it will exercise option for an extension.
- (3) The annual rental for the additional twenty (20) years shall be ten (10%) per cent of the appraised value instead of eight (8%) per cent as provided in lease for the additional twelve (12) years from January 31st, 1928.
- (4) Under the twenty (20) year option the Trustees shall not be required to make any repairs, and all the provisions, relative to repairs and improvements set forth in first part of this letter, shall apply to the additional twenty (20) years.

I have written at length in order that you might thoroughly understand the position of Trustees.

Briefly it is as follows:-

For additional twelve (12) years: Appraisal to be made by Real Estate Board and when made to be accepted or declined within thirty (30) days. Rental to be eight per cent of appraised value as set forth in lease. Your client to immediately spend \$50,000.00 and to make all repairs and improvements.

For twenty (20) years: Appraisal to be made at request of either party after January 31st, 1938, in same way as provided in lease - to be accepted or rejected within thirty (30) days - Annual rental to be ten per cent of appraised value. Your client to make all repairs and improvements and the lease to be so amended as to set this forth fully as to remainder of the present term, the twelve years additional and the option for twenty years.

The lease to contain such additional provisions as the Trustees may deem necessary to fully protect the interests of the Library.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

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Mr. Barker read Mr. Washer's reply as follows:

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January 17, 1924

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

Gentlemen:

Careful consideration has been given by my client, Kaufman-Straus Company, to the letter of Mr. Thos. A. Barker dated January 14, 1924, wherein are set forth various requirements of your Honorable Board in response to the request of the Kaufman-Straus Company for appraisal of the building now occupied by it, and concerning the extension of the leasehold on said premises. I shall give you the conclusions of my client in the order in which the several propositions are submitted to us:

(a) The Kaufman-Straus Company objects to the payment of the entire appraisal fee, which I am advised will amount to \$2500.00, for the reason that the current lease with your Board provides that each party is to pay one-half of the cost of such appraisal. We do not think it would be consistent with good business nor would it be fair for you to insist upon our acceptance of this proposal. I am advised that your contention is that you have no funds with which to pay such a fee because your budget has heretofore been made up. I now propose, for my client, that it will lend you one-half of the appraisal fee, to be refunded by you within twelve months from the time of the loan, upon which you are to pay interest at the rate of six per cent. The other half of the appraisal fee will, of course, be paid by my client.

(b) We accept the selection of the committee of the Real Estate Board composed of Messrs. J. Lithgow Smith, Caldwell Norton, Thos. Bohannon, I. Sidney Jenkins and C. C. Heatt, as suggested by you.

(c) After appraisal has been made, my client will within thirty days thereafter, either accept or reject the option for an additional twelve years from and after January 31, 1928. If the option is exercised for the additional period, the Kaufman-Straus Company will agree, within one year after the date of acceptance, to let contracts for the expenditure of not less than \$50,000.00 in the making of repairs and improvements in and upon the building.

(d) My client agrees to an amendment of the present lease (if the option herein referred to is exercised) providing that your Board and its successors shall be relieved of making any repairs or improvements of any nature during the remainder of the current term or the additional twelve-year term. By this I mean that my client will undertake to keep in repair the roof and the sidewalk, which are the two things now provided in the current lease as the responsibility of the Board.

(e) My client declines to accept the provisions of this paragraph, wherein you seek to make it obtain the written

consent of the trustees before repairs or alterations may be made upon the building. This would be a manifest hardship, as your Board meets but once a month and to obtain this consent would not only entail delay but would be exceedingly cumbersome. We feel that you are sufficiently advised of the character and standing of the Kaufman-Straus Company to know that it will not do anything which will not be consistent with what might be expected of a first-class institution, and that such repairs or alterations as it would make would not only be for its benefit but would enhance the value of the property, which is yours.

(f) My client declines to accept the provisions of this paragraph, because we feel that it would be unfair that your Board should be permitted to require repairs or improvements such as may not be deemed by my client desirable or necessary. You must understand that while we have absolute confidence in the fairness, integrity and high character of the present Board, we do not know what succeeding years may bring or what authority may be vested in some irresponsible person who might cause annoyance by inspection or the results of inspection. We believe, as stated in the preceding paragraph, that the character of the Kaufman-Straus Company warrants your entire confidence in its dependability to make such repairs as will be proper. The present lease, which allows client an additional term of twelve years after arbitration, makes no provision for the Board passing upon alterations or repairs or requiring the same, and we do not think it would be consistent for us to accept an amendment which we can conceive to be, under certain circumstances, most disadvantageous.

(g) My client agrees that should it decline to accept the appraisal value, the option for the additional twelve years shall become null and void; but does not agree that same shall become null and void if it does not accept the other agreements proposed by you and against which objections are herein made.

(h) Client objects to the provision contained in this paragraph, because therein lies possibility of trouble, due to what may be considered by different individuals as a violation of the agreements in the proposed amended lease. You are, of course, advised that the law gives you the right to cancel a lease when there is such violation of the terms thereof as to upset the purposes of the contract. Therefore, I think the ordinary legal ruling upon such matters would be sufficient protection to you, and we hope you will so determine. You know the Kaufman-Straus Company well enough to be assured that the terms and provisions of the lease will be complied with, and if they are not you have the legal right to enforce such provisions.

As to the additional twenty-year option from and after January 31, 1940, my client has the following to say:

(1) That all the provisions contained in the current lease and the amendments which may be made thereto, in accordance

with the proposals stated herein, shall apply to the additional twenty-year term.

(2) We agree that at any time after January 31, 1938, at the request of either the lessor or lessee, appraisal shall be made as set forth in the present lease, and that when made the lessee shall have thirty days from and after the date of such appraisal to determine whether or not it will exercise the option for an extension. We feel, however, that you should add another year of time in which to make the decision, so that this provision will provide for the appraisal as of January 31, 1937, as such additional time may be to the advantage of both parties. We are not insisting upon this, though, and are merely suggesting it as an amendment which might be attractive to you.

(3) My client declines to accept the fixing of the annual rental for the additional twenty years at ten per cent. of the then appraised value, but agrees to accept a provision that it shall pay an annual rental of nine per cent. of the appraised value. After reconsideration, we believe you will conclude that taxes and insurance on the average piece of business property do not exceed three per cent. and that when a piece of business property earns six per cent. net (meaning thereby that no improvements, alterations or repairs of any nature need be made by the landlord), it is a good and satisfactory investment. We hope, therefore, that you will conclude that the nine per cent. suggested is fair and equitable.

(4) Client agrees that the trustees shall not be liable for any repairs or improvements, under the terms and conditions as hereinabove set forth, for the additional twelve-year term.

I will greatly appreciate an early decision as to your conclusions of the various counter-propositions herein contained, and trust that if not too great an inconvenience to the members, they will meet in special session to pass on these matters so that some finality may be had.

Very respectfully yours,

(Signed) BENJ. S. WASHER

Mr. Washer's reply was discussed at length. Upon motion of Dr. Powell, seconded by Wather Schuhmann, the Librarian was instructed to send to members of the Board copies of Mr. Barker's letter and Mr. Washer's reply, together with Mr. Washer's original letter and Finance Committee's reply.

Upon motion the Board adjourned to meet Monday, January 28,

at 5 p.m. in the Librarian's office. The motion included that the notice sent to the Library Board was to request a full attendance and to bring papers or, if unable to attend, return Mr. Barker's letter and Mr. Washer's reply, with notes, to be used at the meeting.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Jan 24-1924

Wesley L. ... President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Adjourned meeting Board of Trustees, Monday, January 28, 1924 in the Librarian's office, 5 pm.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Mr. Heyburn, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Mayor Quin, Father Schuhmann, Mr. Thruston and Mr. Settle, with President Quin in the chair. Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Ossmann and Dr. Rauch were reported out of the city and Dr. Mullins unable to attend on account of illness.

The call for the meeting was as follows:

January 23, 1924

Board of Trustees  
Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

To the Board:

The Library Board met in called session Monday, January 21, to consider and act upon recommendations of the Finance Committee regarding Kaufman-Straus Company lease, and adjourned to meet Monday January 28 at five o'clock in the Librarian's office.

The Secretary was instructed to send to members of the Board correspondence and papers in connection with this matter, which are enclosed.

History of transaction to date - Mr. Ben S. Washer, representing the Kaufman-Straus Company, appeared before the Board December 12 and asked that an appraisal be made of the property so his client, if desired, might exercise their option under the lease to renew same. Upon motion Mr. Washer was asked to present his proposition in writing. SEE EXHIBIT NO. 1.

Mr. Washer's proposition was considered by the Finance Committee at a meeting in Mr. Barker's office on January 3, 1924. For their action SEE EXHIBIT NO. 2.

Mr. Washer's letter (Exhibit No. 1) and the action of the Finance Committee (Exhibit No. 2) were acted upon by the Library Board at its regular meeting January 9 and upon motion the action of the Finance Committee was approved except with an amendment "provided that the Kaufman-Straus Company will agree to pay all costs of appraisal." This action of the Library Board was summed up in a letter by the Chairman of the Finance Committee to Mr. Washer on January 14, 1924. SEE EXHIBIT NO. 3.

This, together with Mr. Washer's reply under date of January 17, 1924, SEE EXHIBIT NO. 4, was read at a called meeting of the Board

on January 21, which adjourned to meet Monday January 28.

A full attendance of the Library Board is urged for Monday January 28 at 5 p.m. in the Librarian's office and special attention is called to Exhibits 3 and 4.

Mayor Quin, President of the Board, requests all members to make marginal notes on Exhibits 3 and 4 and bring them to the meeting and if unable to attend to please mail to the library in time for the meeting.

Please signify on enclosed post card whether or not we may expect you to be present.

Yours very truly,

(signed) GEOR. T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

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The minutes of the called meeting of January 21 were read and upon motion approved.

Dr. Rauch's notes on Exhibit No. 3, and Mr. Ossmann's letter, upon call of the President, were read.

The President then called on the members of the Board in order as seated at the table beginning with Mr. Thruston for their comments on the papers that had been delivered to them, concerning the lease. There were some differences of opinion, but unanimity in some things. The suggestions were to be incorporated in another paper to be drawn up by Mr. Barker, embodying these suggestions and differences, and delivered to the Librarian for copies to be made to be sent to all members of the Board.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned to meet Wednesday, February 6, 1924 at 5 p.m. in the Librarian's office, instead of putting it off until the regular meeting on February 13. The Librarian was instructed to have bills and other matters ready as far as possible to be acted on at that time.

Upon motion the meeting adjourned to meet February 6 at 5 p.m. in the Librarian's office to further consider and act on the lease

and to present any other business that might come up at the regular Board meeting.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Feb 6 - 1924

Christman President

Geo. T. Siddle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Adjourned meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday February 6, 1924  
in the Librarian's office, 5. p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Powell, Mayor Quin, Dr. Rauch, Father Schuhmann, Mr. Thruston and Mr. Settle, with President Quin in the chair. Dr. Mullins was reported ill and Dr. Pfingst at the last moment telephoned that he would come if absolutely necessary to complete a quorum.

As directed by motion at the adjourned meeting of January 28, the following notice of meeting was mailed to all members of the Board:

February 2, 1924

Board of Trustees  
Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

To the Board of Trustees:

The adjourned meeting of the Board of Trustees that met Monday January 28, 1924 to consider and act upon recommendations of the Finance Committee regarding Kaufman-Straus lease, upon motion adjourned to meet Wednesday February 6, at five o'clock in the Librarian's office.

The motion instructed the Librarian to send to members of the Board copy of letter to be prepared by Mr. Barker, to be submitted for approval and changes before it is sent to Mr. Washer, incorporating the actions of the adjourned meeting. See copy enclosed marked EXHIBIT NO. 5. Please make marginal notes and if unable to attend the meeting, mail to the Librarian before the Board meeting.

The motion also included that this meeting take the place of the regular February 13 meeting and that bills and any other matters that might be presented be acted upon. The Library Committee will meet Wednesday February 6 at 4:30 p.m.

Please signify on enclosed post card whether or not we may expect you to be present.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

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The minutes of the adjourned meeting of Monday January 28 were



read and upon motion approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter of January 7, 1924 received February 4, 1924, from Mr. Arthur Loomis, together with enclosures (letter of February 5 from Mr. Bernheim to Mr. Loomis and letter of December 29 to Mr. Bernheim from Olmstead Brothers, and a blueprint).  
Mr. Loomis asks action of the Board on placing shrubbery on lawn facing Fourth Street around the Lincoln Statue, as suggested by Mr. Olmstead.  
Upon motion this matter was referred to the special Lincoln Statue Committee (Dr. Pfingst and Mr. Heyburn) with power to act.
- b. Librarian's letter of January 11, 1924 to Gov. E. J. McDermott, as follows:

Governor Edward J. McDermott  
1011-14 Inter-Southern Bldg.  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Governor McDermott:

I am sure the Library Board would be very willing to furnish wall space either in our Art Gallery, third floor, where art exhibits are made by the Louisville Art Association and the Artists' League, or Art Room, second floor, for exhibit of portraits of distinguished Kentuckians for Home Coming Week.

It is understood that the library would not be responsible for these portraits, fire, theft, or accident, and they would not be included in our insurance on contents of the library building. I am calling attention to this as exhibits held here have always been insured by the exhibitors themselves, not by the library.

This is to confirm telephone conversation of this afternoon.

Offering our assistance and hoping that the exhibit will be a success, I am

Yours very truly,

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

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Librarian

The Librarian stated that he had reserved these rooms and upon motion the action of the Librarian was approved.

- c. Resignation of Mrs. Mary Marr Thompson, under date of February 4, 1924 upon motion was accepted.  
Mrs. Thompson has been connected with the Library since January 1915, serving in the Circulation and Catalog

Departments. She has been absent on leave of absence for several months on account of ill health and resigns for this reason.  
We regret very much to lose her.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance on February 1, 1924 of \$840.36 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$3,840.36.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARLER  
Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 118,110 volumes. Of this number 68,399 volumes were circulated to adults and 49,711 to children, with a little more than fifty-five per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 10,958 more important questions asked and topics looked up in the Reference Departments at the Main library and branches. There were 33 reading lists compiled during the month and 1,520 pictures circulated. There were 2,144 visitors to the Museum.

The Finance Committee report was deferred to be taken up under the head of unfinished business.

On call for new business, upon the suggestion of Dr. Rauch, the Librarian was instructed to take up with Mr. Baskett, Department Counsel, our rights in the drive to prohibit its being used as a thoroughfare and for parking only on one side of drive.

On call for reports of special committees, Mrs. Gamble of the committee with Mrs. Abbott, read report as follows:

(See next page)

Mrs. Carl Abbott)  
Mrs. Hoyt Gamble) Committee

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

Your committee has had two meetings and we have named February 17-23 as LIBRARY BOOK WEEK.

We are calling Library Book Week to the attention of the public and requesting donations of worth while books through the newspapers, civic, luncheon, men's and women's clubs, etc.

A personal letter has been sent to the President or secretary of these organizations asking that the letter be read at one of their regular meetings, with the request that they endorse the movement - Library Book Week - and make call for donations of worth-while books. In addition to the letter to President or Secretary, a personal letter has been written to some member of the club asking that they present our needs from the floor. We have also made personal visits to many of the clubs.

The Superintendent of Public Schools has been asked to have Library Book Week announced at the High Schools and Normal School and to request the faculty and students to pass the word on.

Your committee trusts that what we have done meets with your approval.

Respectfully submitted

Upon motion the report was approved.

It was suggested that moving picture theatres be asked to put on slides calling Library Book Week to the attention of the public, and Dr. Rauch was named as a committee of one to attend to this for the committee. Upon motion it was approved that the Courier-Journal and Times radio (W H A S) be used in the same way and the committee was asked to take this up with them.

The Librarian's report for January showing an expenditure of \$16,797.26 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$7,566.15, voucher No. 141, checks Nos. 8382-8473 inclusive, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid February 1. This also includes Voucher No. 140, to Louisville Trust Company, \$5,000.00

retiring mortgage and \$22.91, one month's interest, total \$5,022.91, signed by member of Finance Committee and paid January 16. This leaves a balance of \$4,208.20, voucher No. 142, checks Nos. 8474-8543 inclusive to be paid:

Albrecht Sons Hdw. Co.	\$ 3.10
American Book Co.	42.77
American Multigraph Sales Co.	263.10
D. Appleton & Co.	1.64
Arctic Ice Co.	18.53
Baker & Taylor Co.	24.47
Clara T. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	12.48
Berman Printing Co.	21.00
Wolf Blitz Glass Co.	3.45
R. R. Bowker Co.	1.35
Brakmeier Bros.	4.89
Breckel Press	20.00
Wm. J. Campbell	10.00
Chemical Catalog Co.	2.00
Childers Electric Co.	16.16
Children's Book Shop	12.34
City Club of Chicago	1.00
Arthur M. Clark Co.	6.00
J. E. Coleman	10.00
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	60.60
Dean-Hicks Co.	40.00
District of Columbia Library Association	4.00
Embry Box Co.	4.75
Geo. G. Fetter Co.	6.00
J. W. Fischer	3.50
Follett Book Co.	3.67
Gaylord Bros.	107.88
J. N. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Co.	9.44
Hammer Printing & Office Supply Co.	10.60
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	7.00
H. Hesse	1.50
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	2.44
H. R. Huntting Co.	2.37
R. Jeunesse & Sons	16.70
Kaufman-Straus Co.	93.03
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	484.10
Koehler Stamp & Stencil Co.	7.50
Library Bureau	87.00
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Longmans, Green & Co.	12.37
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	165.71
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Louisville Trust Co.	2.50
Anna Blanche McGill	36.92
Marker Electric Co.	2.00
Edw. J. Miller & Co.	21.65

Miller Paper Co.	12.75
Carl J. Mittler	4.59
John F. Morton & Co.	310.75
National Housing Association	5.00
New York Times Index	8.00
Office Equipment Co.	4.20
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
J. V. Reed & Co.	21.50
St. Bernard Mining Co.	379.98
Scott, Foresman & Co.	1.20
Chas. Scribner's Sons	40.33
Short's Tire Service	8.97
Snead & Co.	300.00
W. K. Stewart Co.	332.90
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	18.74
Supt. of Documents	13.50
G. Broes Van Dort Co.	54.10
George Wahr	1.00
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	935.13
Prince Wells Co.	1.40
H. W. Wilson Co.	5.20
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Pd) Louisville Trust Co.	
Retiring mortgage	5,000.00
Interest	22.91
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Pd) George T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	7 566.15
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Total	\$ 16 797.26

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

Under the head of unfinished business Mr. Barker read draft of a letter to be sent to Mr. Washer, outlining the conditions under which an appraisement will be made at this time, as follows:

January  
Thirty-first  
1924

Mr. Benj. S. Washer,  
Attorney for Kaufman-Straus Co.  
City

Dear Sir:-

At a special meeting of the Trustees held on Monday, the 28th, I was authorized to submit the following proposition, relative to appraisal of the property at this time, which appraisal is made at the request of your clients:-

1. The cost of appraisal to be borne one-half by your clients and one-half by the Library.
2. Your clients to advance to the Library its one-half to be repaid on or before one year with interest at the rate of six per cent.
3. The appraisal to be made by the Committee of the Real

Estate Board. This Committee has been fully described in previous letters. When appraisal is made rental to be at rate of eight per cent on such value as provided in lease.

4. Your clients must agree to the modification of clause 10 of the present lease so that it shall read 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, and first party shall be put to no expense whatever for the repair, maintenance or operation of the building."

5. Your clients must agree that clause 11 which reads as follows: "The lessor shall have free access to the premises herein leased for the purpose of examining or exhibiting them or to make any needful repairs or alterations of said premises which said lessor may deem necessary" shall be amended to read as follows: "The lessor shall have free access to the premises herein leased for the purpose of examining or exhibiting the same and for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not the building has been kept in proper repair or is being properly maintained. In the event the lessor, in its judgment, believes the building is not being kept in proper repair and properly maintained, then, it shall in writing notify the lessee of the repairs necessary or methods of maintenance objected to and the lessee shall within thirty (30) days make such repairs or changes as may be demanded, provided, however, that if the lessee considers such requirement unreasonable, then, the question shall within three (3) days from receipt of written notice be submitted to arbitration. The lessor and lessee each to select an arbitrator and if the two, so chosen, are unable to agree and cannot agree upon a third member, then the Judge of longest service of Jefferson Circuit Court, or by whatever name the principal Court in Jefferson County may be designated, shall have the power to appoint such third member, and the decision of a majority of the three arbitrators, in whatever manner selected, shall be final, and the unsuccessful party in the arbitration shall pay the cost thereof."

6. The Lease shall also be amended so as to provide that before any alterations or improvements are made in the building written consent of the Trustees shall be obtained. Provided, of course, that ordinary repairs may be made without this consent. You must realize that to permit lessee to make changes or alterations without the approval of the lessor might result in damage to the property. The Trustees have great confidence in the business ability and integrity of the present stockholders and officers of the lessee, but time may bring changes. The officers of a private corporation, if not restricted, might be able to do many things that the Trustees, public officials, would not attempt. Your argument as to changes in Trustees has impressed them with the importance of insisting upon this clause. The Trustees, whoever they may be, will never seek to harass or annoy the lessee. Public opinion would not approve. But, if the lessee is not restricted in the making of changes or alterations, nothing could be done.

7. Your clients must agree to let contracts within one year

after date of acceptance of this proposition for the expenditure by it (and without any expense to the lessor) of not less than \$50000.00 in making repairs and improvements upon the building. These repairs and improvements to be made upon the building inside and outside.

8. The Amended Lease in addition to the clauses, above set forth, shall contain all the other clauses of the present lease not amended, and in this connection I call your attention to clause 9 which in part provides: "This lease at the option of the lessor shall be void and forfeited in case of any violation of any covenant herein contained." It was suggested that instead of this the clause be so amended as to require ten(10) days notice of breach and then failure to comply before forfeiture occurred.

9. The terms "first party and lessor" herein refer to Trustees of Free Public Library, and "second party or lessee" to Kaufman-Straus Company.

10. When appraisal is made your clients shall notify the lessor within thirty (30) days whether or not it will exercise the option for an additional twelve (12) years from January 31st, 1928. If exercised, an additional agreement, in which shall be embraced the provisions herein, shall be immediately prepared and signed. If your clients refuse to exercise the option, then the option for an additional twelve (12) years shall become null and void.

11. Your clients must agree, in writing, to all the above before an appraisal can be made.

12. It is understood that any repairs made to roof or sidewalk while this proposition is pending shall be at your clients' expense and that all provisions, above set forth, shall apply for the remainder of the present term as well as the additional twelve (12) years.

As to additional term of twenty (20) years from January 31st, 1940, - This is looking a long way ahead and places your clients in the position of holding an option that would to a great extent affect the sale value of the property, in the event the Trustees should desire to sell. A return of six per cent upon real estate is not a fair return, unless the excess is sufficient to pay all taxes that may be assessed, insurance premiums and establish a depreciation account.

At present the property on Fourth Avenue is assessed at approximately eighty (80%) per cent of value, and therefore would not leave much more than one per cent to take care of depreciation. Therefore, the Trustees will not enter into any agreement concerning an additional twenty (20) years unless your clients will agree:-

1. Acceptance of all provisions, except price, in Clause 1 hereof, relative to the twelve (12) year term and agreement

that such provisions shall apply to twenty (20) year term.

2. At any time after January 31st, 1937, at request of either lessor or lessee, appraisal shall be made as set forth in present lease, at expense of lessee, and when made the lessee shall have one (1) year, from and after date of such appraisal, to determine whether or not it will exercise option for an extension.

3. The annual rental for the additional twenty (20) years shall be ten (10%) per cent of the appraised value.

The Trustees want your clients to understand that from and after the date of this letter the Library Trustees shall not be required to spend any money upon the building or sidewalk during the remainder of the present term, the twelve (12) year term or the twenty (20) year term.

Very truly yours

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER  
Chairman Finance Committee of  
Louisville Free Public Library

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This was discussed freely and finally upon motion of Dr. Hemphill, with second by Mr. Heyburn, was approved and the letter mailed to Mr. Washer.

Upon motion Mr. Barker, Mr. Thruston and Mr. Heyburn were named a committee to further confer with Mr. Washer, if necessary, this committee to agree on recommendations and present them at a called meeting of the Board for approval.

Upon motion Mr. Barker was given a rising vote of thanks for the work he had done in this matter.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

March 5, 1934

Thruston President

Geo. T. Smith Secretary



## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Called meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday March 5, 1924, in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Powell, Mayor Quin, Father Schuhmann, Mr. Thruston and Mr. Settle, with President Quin in the chair. Dr. Pfingst was reported out of the city, Dr. Rauch unable to attend and Dr. Mullins ill.

Letter from Dr. Mullins was read explaining that his absence for the past several meetings has been on account of illness and that he hopes to be with us shortly. Upon motion the Librarian was instructed to express the regret of the Board and send their best wishes for a speedy recovery.

The call for the meeting was read as follows:

March 1, 1924

Board of Trustees  
Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

To the Board:

The Special Committee to consider renewing lease with Kaufman-Straus Company (Mr. Thomas A. Barker, Mr. P. C. Ballard Thruston and Mr. Henry B. Heyburn) calls a special meeting of the Board for Wednesday, March 5, at 5 p.m. in the Librarian's office, to make their report to be considered by the Board.

The Committee urges a full attendance of the Board as this is a very important meeting.

Please signify on enclosed post card whether or not we may expect you to be present.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

GTS/S

Secretary and Librarian

After statement from the Chair that we were called to act upon the recommendations of the Special Committee on renewing lease with Kaufman-Straus Company, Mr. Barker read action of the committee as follows:

March 5, 1924

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

Your special committee to consider extending lease with Kaufman-

Straus Company (Barker, Thruston and Heyburn) met in my office Tuesday, February 26, at 5 p.m. to consider communication from Benjamin S. Washer, attorney for Kaufman-Straus Company, under date of February 13, 1924, marked EXHIBIT NO. 6 and communication of February 14, 1924 marked EXHIBIT NO. 7, attached.

These letters were taken up carefully, paragraph by paragraph, and your committee submits the attached agreement marked EXHIBIT NO. 8 for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Special Committee

Letter of February 13, 1924 from Mr. Washer, marked Exhibit No. 6, as follows:

February 13, 1924

Thos. A. Barker, Esq.,  
Chairman Finance Committee  
Board of Trustees Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

With the amendments hereinafter recited, my client, Kaufman-Straus Company, agrees to and accepts your proposition of January 31, 1924, relative to the leasehold on the premises now occupied by it as a department store.

We request that Par. 5 of your letter of January 31, 1924, be amended so that the clause therein contained relative to inspection and repairs, shall provide for inspection at reasonable times, but the Library Board should not be privileged to order the lessee to make repairs upon the property except such repairs as will be necessary for the proper preservation of the property, and the term "repairs" shall not be construed to include any changes or alterations in the physical construction of the building, not agreeable to the Kaufman-Straus Co. Your method of providing arbitration, as set forth in this paragraph, is satisfactory.

Par. 7 of your letter provides for an expenditure of \$50,000.00 in making repairs and improvements upon the building. If you will refer to my previous proposition to the Board, you will find that I stated that my client would make repairs and improvements to the extent of \$50,000.00 in and upon the building, and we will still agree to do this. My client will not agree to make \$50,000.00 of improvements upon the building inside and outside, but will make such improvements as it may deem proper for the conduct of its business and the preservation of the property. More than \$50,000.00 will be spent in and upon the building, but some of the expenditures in the building will doubtless be for fixtures, painting and other improvements of this nature. My client does contemplate, if it accepts the new lease, making expenditures of considerable amount, for instance, in the installation of handsome new show windows, the

laying of new floors, the installation of new and additional elevators, and other such items as will entail the outlay of large sums. But my client will not agree to do this within one year or to fix any definite limit of expenditure, although it is believed, if the lease is accepted, that such expenditures as will be made will be within the year and will be of sizeable amount. Your Board evidently got the impression, possibly through misstatement on my part, that my client would expend \$50,000.00 on the building, while we will agree only to the expenditure of \$50,000.00 in and upon the building. I think this amendment should meet with the approval of your Board.

Your suggestion of ten days notice of breach, in Par. 8, we consider insufficient, although it is true that the original lease did not contain any provision for notice. I think the paragraph should be amended so as to provide that notice of breach shall be given, and failure to comply after reasonable time shall be sufficient to constitute forfeiture. Should there be disagreement as to whether or not a breach has occurred, the parties shall resort to arbitration in the same manner as is provided in Par. 5 of your letter.

On page 3 of your letter, numbered paragraph 2, you provide that for the appraisal which may take place after January 31, 1937, the expense shall be borne by the lessee. Such a provision is entirely contrary to the usages in such matters, and as the current lease provides for a division of the expense between the parties and as custom has so established, I think you should, in fairness, amend this paragraph so that the parties shall bear the expense equally and not the lessee alone.

Please give these suggestions your prompt attention and let me have a reply embodying the entire agreement as soon as possible, and I will have same executed by my client. I take it that this matter is now in the hands of your committee, which can promptly consider the propositions herein outlined and that I may, therefore, reasonably expect an answer within the next few days.

Yours truly,

(Signed) BENJ. S. WASHNER

and letter of February 14, 1924, marked Exhibit No. 7, as follows:

February 14, 1924.

Thos. A. Barker, Esq.,  
Chairman Finance Committee,  
Board of Trustees Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

Re: Kaufman-Straus Co. lease.

Information has come to me this morning that the Louisville Real Estate Board on yesterday changed its rules and regulations pertaining to the appraisal board of that body. It might be possible that the original committee, as a result, would be changed, and I take it that you, no more than I, would desire to submit any matter of arbitration

to a committee yet to be named and unknown to you or to me.

I, therefore, amend my letter of yesterday to you, and I am sure you will be in accord with the amendment, in that we shall provide that the arbitration committee shall be composed of Lithgow Smith, Sidney I. Jenkins, Caldwell Horton, Thos. Bohannon and C. C. Heatt. This was the personnel of the appraisal committee of the Real Estate Board at the time we agreed to the submission of matters to be arbitrated, to this committee, which may or may not be changed. Anyway, I think these are the leading real estate men of Louisville and it is best for all interests concerned to have them serve, as we had originally agreed upon.

You will please therefore treat this letter as part of my proposition submitted to you as chairman of the finance committee.

Yours truly,

(Signed) BENJ. S. WASHER

were read.

Mr. Barker stated that these communications had been carefully considered by the committee and read the committee's recommendations, marked Exhibit No. 8, as follows:

This Agreement entered into in duplicate by and between Trustees of Louisville Free Public Library, Louisville, Ky., party of the first part and Kaufman-Straus Company, a corporation, party of the second part, WITNESSETH: That whereas on May 27, 1910 the Louisville Public Library leased to the party of the second part for the period of Fifteen years from January 31, 1913 the following described property in Louisville, Kentucky;

A lot one hundred and thirty-eight (138) feet more or less front by two hundred (200) feet deep on the East side of Fourth street between Green (now Liberty) and Walnut streets, and the basement and five floors of its building erected on said lot, being the house and lot now used and occupied by party of the second part as a department store. The said property to be used by the second party as a dry goods and department store only, which lease was recorded in Deed Book 722, page 130, office

of the County Clerk of Jefferson County, Kentucky, and

WHEREAS it is provided in said lease as follows "It is agreed by the parties hereto that if at the end of the fifteen years hereinbefore named, the party of the second part desires to continue its use of the property herein leased for a period of Twelve (12) years from that date, namely, January 31, 1928, then at its option, party of the second part may continue said lease for the term of twelve years upon the same terms and conditions as contained herein, except as to rental, which shall be fixed for said additional term as follows: Party of the second part or its assigns shall name one appraiser; party of the first part or its assigns shall name one appraiser, and in case these two cannot agree, they shall appoint a third as umpire, a majority of the three to fix a value on the property herein described, at the time of the expiration of the lease, to wit, January 31, 1928, and the party of the second part shall pay as rental for said property for said additional period of twelve years, annually an amount equalling eight (8) per cent of the value of the property herein leased, as valued by the appraisers and same shall be paid in twelve installments of equal amount on the 10th day of each and every month. The appraisers herein provided for shall be residents of the city of Louisville for at least five years and regular licensed real estate dealers of at least three years experience as such" and

WHEREAS the Louisville Public Library has conveyed to first party hereto the aforementioned property and whereas the second party has requested that an appraisal be made of said property at this time and that it also be granted an option for an additional twenty (20) years from January 31, 1940, such latter option to be dependent upon the exercise of option for twelve years from January 31, 1928.

Now, Therefore, in consideration of the first party consenting to

appraisal at this date and the granting by it of an additional option for 20 years from January 31, 1940, the said second party has agreed to the changes in the present lease hereinbefore referred to, and the said first and second parties in consideration of mutual benefits to each, now agree as follows:

1. An appraisal shall be immediately made by a committee composed of the following real estate agents; Messrs. J. Lithgow Smith, Caldwell Norton, Thos. Bohannon, I. Sidney Jenkins and C. C. Heatt.
2. The cost of appraisal shall be borne one-half by first party and one-half by second party, but the second party agrees to advance to first party its one-half to be repaid on or before one year from date of such loan, with interest at rate of six (6%) per cent per annum payable at maturity.
3. That any and all amendments to the present lease and any and all agreements relative to the property shall be construed as applying to the remainder of the present term, expiring January 31, 1928 as well as for additional terms.
4. Clause ten (10) of the original lease recorded in Deed Book 722, page 130, Clerk's office aforesaid is amended to read as follows "The party of the second part is to take good care of the premises and to immediately make all repairs necessary for its proper preservation and use, and first party shall be put to no expense whatever for the repair, maintenance or operation of the building (including the roof) and sidewalk."
5. Clause eleven (11) of the aforesaid lease is amended to read as follows: "The lessor shall at reasonable times have free access to the premises herein leased, for the purpose of examining or exhibiting the same and for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not the building has been kept in proper repair or is being properly maintained. In the event the lessor, in its judgment believes the building is not being kept in proper repair

(and by the term repairs is meant such repairs as are necessary for the proper preservation of the building and sidewalk, and does not include any changes or alterations in the physical construction of the building not agreeable to both parties hereto) and properly maintained then, it shall in writing notify the lessee of the repairs necessary or the methods of maintenance objected to and the lessee shall within thirty (30) days from the mailing or delivery of such writing make such repairs or changes as may be demanded, provided however, that if the lessee considers such requirement unreasonable, then, the question shall within three (3) days from receipt of written notice be submitted to arbitration. The lessor and the lessee each to select an arbitrator and if the two, so chosen, are unable to agree and cannot agree upon a third member, then the Judge of longest service of Jefferson Circuit Court or by whatever name the principal court in Jefferson County, Kentucky, may be designated shall have the power to appoint such third member and the decision of a majority of the three arbitrators, in whatever manner selected shall be final and the unsuccessful party in the arbitration shall pay the cost thereof. The application to the Judge of the Jefferson Circuit Court herein referred to shall be made by petition of the arbitrators, of the parties hereto or either of them and the party selected or appointed by the Court shall be a regular licensed real estate agent or architect, resident of Louisville, Ky., for at least five years and of at least three years' experience."

6. Before any alterations or improvements are made in or upon the building written consent of the first party shall be obtained. Provided, however, that ordinary repairs may be made without this consent and provided further that such consent shall not be necessary in making changes or alterations in any of the fixtures, so long as such changes do not change or alter the building proper.

7. The second party agrees that it will within a reasonable time expend

not less than \$50,000.00 for fixtures, painting and other improvements of that nature, installation of new show windows, laying of new floors and installation of new elevators, but in all such work which will result in alteration or change of the building, written consent of first party shall be obtained as provided in clause 6 hereof.

8. Clause nine (9) of lease aforesaid is to be amended to read as follows:

"This lease at the option of the lessor, shall be void and forfeited in case of any violation of any covenant herein contained and the lessor may receive and collect any rent due and the payment of rent shall not waive or affect a forfeiture incurred, provided, that in the event of such violation lessor shall give to lessee written notice of such violation and if lessee fail to comply within thirty (30) days from delivery of such notice, then the question of whether a forfeiture has occurred shall be determined by arbitration in the manner set forth in clause 5 hereof."

9. After the appraisal heretofore referred to has been made, the said second party shall within thirty (30) days thereafter notify first party in writing of its acceptance of the appraisal. Failure to so notify first party shall be construed as refusal to exercise option and the right to such option shall become null and void. And in the event of the exercise of such option the annual rental from and after January 31, 1928 shall be an amount equalling eight (8%) per cent of the appraised value payable as set forth in the lease.

And it is further agreed that in case the second party exercises said option for an additional twelve (12) years from January 31, 1928 then first party grants unto second party an option for an additional term of twenty (20) years from January 31, 1940. The property to be valued in the manner set forth in the original lease upon the request of either party, at any time after January 31, 1937. And when appraisal has been



made the second party shall within one year from and after date of such appraisal either exercise or refuse to exercise the option for the additional term of twenty (20) years from January 31, 1940. If exercised the second party shall pay as rental for said property for the additional period of twenty (20) years an amount equalling ten (10%) per cent of the appraised value of property as valued by the appraisers and same shall be paid as set forth in original lease.

It is understood between the parties hereto that all the terms and provisions of the original lease hereinbefore referred to except as herein amended shall apply to the remainder of the present term as well as to the remaining term or option(s) herein set forth.

In testimony whereof, witness signatures and corporate seals of first and second parties hereunto affixed by duly authorized officers this 6th day of March 1924.

TRUSTEES OF LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

by (Signed) HUSTON QUIN, President

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE, Secretary

SEAL

KAUFMAN-STRAUS COMPANY

by President

Secretary

State of Kentucky

County of Jefferson

I, a Notary Public, in and for county and state aforesaid, do certify that the foregoing agreement was this day produced to me in said county and acknowledged and delivered by Huston Quin, as President, to be the act and deed of Trustees of Louisville Free Public Library, a party thereto and by George T. Settle, as Secretary, to be his act and deed.

My commission as Notary Public expires on 27th day of January 1926.

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Witness my signature this 6th day of March 1924.

(Signed) WM. T. BASKETT

Notary Public, Jefferson Co., Ky.

State of Kentucky

County of Jefferson

I, a Notary Public, in and for county and state aforesaid, do certify that the foregoing agreement was this day produced to me in said county and acknowledged and delivered by \_\_\_\_\_ as President, to be the act and deed of Kaufman-Straus Company, a party thereto, and by \_\_\_\_\_ as Secretary, to be his act and deed.

My commission as Notary Public expires on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 192 .

Witness my signature this \_\_\_\_\_ day of March 1924.

This paper was discussed freely and after the following changes were made, first, No. 4 on clause 10 of the original lease, fifth line inserted "including the roof," second, the clause on page 4, fifth line from bottom, the work "option" to read "options," upon motion was unanimously approved. The corrections are included in brackets in copy above.

At this point the President asked if the reports, bills, etc. for the regular monthly meeting were ready. The Librarian stated that the call for this meeting was made after 12:30 on Saturday, too late for the regular monthly report and bills to be gotten ready. Upon motion the bills are to be approved by the Executive Committee and no regular meeting called, the action of the Executive Committee to be approved at the next meeting of the Board.

There being no other business, upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

April 9-1924

Houston Linn President

Geo. T. Suttle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

March 12, 1924

There was no regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library on March 12, 1924, but the following communication was addressed to the Executive Committee as authorized upon a motion approved at the called meeting of the Board of Trustees on March 5, 1924:

March 12, 1924

Mayor Huston Quin, Chairman	)	
Dr. E. L. Powell	)	Executive Committee
Mr. Thomas A. Barker	)	Board of Trustees
Mr. Phillip Ossmann	)	
Louisville Free Public Library		
Louisville, Ky.		

Gentlemen:

At the called meeting of the Board of Trustees Wednesday, March 5, 1924, in the Librarian's office, after other business was finished, the President asked if the reports, bills, etc. for the regular monthly meeting were ready. The Librarian stated that the call for the meeting was made after 12:30 o'clock on Saturday, too late to get out report and monthly bills and too early in the month to include all bills.

Upon motion the bills were authorized to be approved by the Executive Committee and paid and no regular monthly meeting held, this action of the Executive Committee to be approved at the next meeting of the Library Board.

We are submitting this for your signature for approval, bills that have been paid and bills to be paid, amounting to \$79,215.19.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

GTS/S

(Signed) HUSTON QUIN

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

(Signed) E. L. POWELL

This authorized the payment of the following bills:

American Book Co.	\$ 262.05
A. J. Anderson	8.90
Arctic Ice Co.	17.01
Atlantic Monthly Press	12.43
Baker & Taylor Co.	2.42
Barbee & Castleman	68.40

Barrett, Robinson & Dickey	11.70
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	27.50
Wolf Blitz Glass Co.	4.25
Bloom & Herrmann	17.63
R. R. Bowker Co.	1.50
Brakmeier Bros.	10.40
Brentano's	1.10
Breuer & Co.	5.85
Brown & Martin	17.63
Carter Dry Goods Co.	10.11
Chapman Insurance Co.	12.96
Childers Electric Co.	14.55
Children's Book Shop	260.55
S. J. Clarke Publishing Co.	40.00
F. A. Clegg & Co.	13.47
J. E. Coleman	10.00
Columbia Carbon Co.	10.50
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	60.99
Dow Co.	105.65
Dugan, Humphreys & Co.	10.53
R. O. Busch	29.00
Educational Publishing Co.	77.04
Elliott Service Co.	1.80
Embry Box Co.	4.75
F. W. Faxon Co.	8.70
Geo. G. Fetter Co.	1.50
J. W. Fischer	1.60
Chas. V. Franck	3.50
Caunt & Harris	28.91
Gaylord Bros.	27.73
Gibbs-Inman Co.	23.75
J. W. Grant	8.00
Chas. D. Greer & Co.	12.96
Gulf Refining Co.	19.10
Haldeman-Julius Co.	7.38
Hammer Printing & Office Supply Co.	19.25
Heaton's Agency	2.65
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	5.85
Historical Press Association	5.00
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff	18.66
Hummel & Meyer	11.70
Sam M. Huston	23.40
International Sunday School Council of Religious Education	1.00
Jefferson, Noyes & Embry	23.40
R. Jeunesse & Sons	5.95
Jewish Publication Society of America	5.00
Kaufman-Straus Co.	279.82
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	562.40
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind	6.80
C. A. Knollenberg	12.00
Herman C. Korfhage	2.00
Chas. A. Lang	11.70
Henry A. Lang	11.70
Liberty Fire Insurance Co.	11.70

Library Bureau	38.12
Library of Congress	100.00
Little Brown & Co.	246.72
Lodenkemper Bros.	4.90
Long's Towel Supply Co.	9.00
Longmans, Green & Co.	342.15
Louisville Chemical Co.	44.82
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	162.89
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Anna Blanche McGill	29.93
John J. McHenry & Co.	22.96
Macmillan Co.	76.07
Macmillan Co.	153.56
Meffert Equipment Co.	2.00
Chas. E. Merrill Co.	81.36
Edw. J. Miller & Co.	11.70
Miller Paper Co.	22.17
Mississippi Historical Society	3.00
Noah Farnham Morrison	1.35
John P. Morton & Co.	184.33
National Child Labor Committee	2.00
National Council for Prevention of War	1.00
National Historical Society	10.00
C. A. Nichols Publishing Co.	14.40
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Penn Publishing Co.	3.30
Rand, McNally & Co.	89.28
Readers Digest Association	3.00
J. V. Reed & Co.	8.55
Rehm Printing Co.	52.75
Reisert Insurance Agency	18.18
Remington Typewriter Co.	7.00
Reutlinger & Co.	39.35
Robinson, Wilson & Long	16.20
Royal Typewriter Co.	148.56
St. Bernard Mining Co.	210.50
Chas. Scribner's Sons	1.21
George T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash - Jan.	91.93
George T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash - Feb.	72.31
T. F. Shivell	2.20
Short's Tire Service	15.23
J. B. Slaughter & Co.	15.93
Smith Book Co.	9.00
Southeastern Paper Co.	26.01
Standard Oil Co.	19.10
Standard Printing Co.	54.00
W. K. Stewart Co.	439.47
Theobald-Jansen Co.	2.50
Timberlake & Trueheart	16.20
Tippett, Walker & Cronan	11.70
J. M. Todd & Co.	11.60
Viglioni & Langan	11.70
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	924.81

Prince Wells Co.		16.91	
Albert Whitman Co.		78.94	
		<u>6 340.08</u>	
Pd) George T. Settle, Libn. Payroll			8 015.87
Pd) Louisville Trust Co.			
Bills Payable	64,000.00		
Interest	<u>859.24</u>		<u>64 859.24</u>
Total . . . . .			\$ 79 215.19

MINUTES APPROVED:

April 9-1924

Houston Linn President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees Wednesday, April 9, 1924 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Pfingst, Mayor Quin, Dr. Rauch and Mr. Settle, with President Quin in the chair. Dr. Mullins was reported out of the city, Mr. Thruston ill and Dr. Powell and Father Schuhmann unable to attend.

The minutes of the called meeting of Wednesday March 5, 1924 were read and upon motion approved. There being no regular meeting on March 12, the action of the Executive Committee authorizing the payment of bills upon motion was approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter of February 11, 1924 from William T. Baskett, Department Counsel, advising us that in reply to our request he had turned over to Captain Loran, officer in charge of traffic, the parking problems at the Library.  
The Librarian reported that since the 'no left turn' order at 3rd and 4th Streets on Broadway had been rescinded, the library drive and York Street were not used so much.
- b. The paper signed by Mayor Huston Quin, Mr. Thomas A. Barker and Dr. E. L. Powell, of the Executive Committee, authorizing payment of bills for February, was read for record in the minutes.
- c. Letter of March 19, 1924 from Mayor Huston Quin, re-appointing Rev. Charles R. Hemphill, Mr. Thomas A. Barker and Rabbi Joseph Rauch as members of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library for four years beginning April 1, was read for record in the minutes.  
The Librarian announced that the oaths of affirmation of these gentlemen were on file.
- d. Letter of March 25, 1924 from William T. Baskett, Department Counsel, authorizing the payment of a warrant amounting to \$21.87 for a fire hydrant at 40th and Broadway.  
The Librarian stated that this was the first time in the history of the library that we have had to pay a warrant like this.  
Mr. Baskett's reply was that if this was paid by any other city department the library would be receiving just that <sup>much</sup> more than its share of city taxes.  
Upon motion this payment was approved.
- e. Resignation of March 31, 1924 - Mildred Lucille Moore. Miss Moore came to us through our training class of 1921-22 and has served in the Circulation Department. She resigns to be married.  
Upon motion the resignation was accepted.
- f. Letter of April 3, 1924 signed C. R. Dinwiddie, Adjuster for the General Accident Insurance Company, T. Grant Slaughter and Company, agents, who hold our accident insurance on library machines.  
The Librarian reported that on March 26, 1924 the library truck had

knocked down Edward Jones, son of William Jones, 705 S. 31st Street, at 30th and Broadway, but that four witnesses including Fire Chief Bache had said it was an unavoidable accident and our driver was not to blame. Dinwiddie's letter also verifies this.

The Librarian announced a visit from Dr. Frederick P. Keppel, President of the Carnegie Corporation of New York, on April 1, 1924. The library has made a request to the Carnegie Corporation for funds to maintain a library school in connection with the library. The Librarian visited this Corporation September 27, 1923 and was told at that time that someone would be sent to Louisville to make a survey. This matter is in the hands of a special committee (Dr. Mullins, Mr. Thruston and Dr. Rauch) but Dr. Mullins and Mr. Thruston were out of town the day Dr. Keppel was in the city. Dr. Rauch and the Librarian spent from four to six o'clock in a visit through the Main library and to the two colored branches and Shelby Park branch. The advantages of the Louisville Library and Louisville as a center for library school training were again emphasized. Dr. Rauch reported that he believed that if a decision was to be made in the next 30 days, we would not have any trouble getting our appropriation.

The committee on placing Lincoln Statue (Dr. Pfingst and Mr. Heyburn) reported that they had acted on request of Mr. Bernheim to place shrubbery and some extra trees on the lawn. The Librarian reported that the work had been done and adds very much to the appearance of the grounds.

The Librarian reported that Library Book Week, conducted by Mrs. Abbott and Mrs. Gamble of the Board, ended April 1 and that 178 individuals and clubs had given 2,512 volumes and in addition some magazines and pamphlets. The collection is remarkable in that more than 90% of the books are well worth while and can be used in the library. The gifts include 222 volumes from Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston - Parish Register; 34 volumes in manuscript, Kentucky Council of Defense - War records of Camp Zachary Taylor and 40 volumes (complete set Works of Cardinal Newman) from Mrs. Emma J. Burns, Bradford, Pennsylvania. The donations represent a great many more individuals than appear as many of the gifts came to us through clubs and organizations.

The Librarian announced that the Jefferson Branch library had been broken into on March 1 or 2. Entrance was gained by breaking the lock on the rear door to the Assembly Room and the cash drawer was forced open and \$1.50 taken. No other damage was discovered.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

April 9, 1924

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's reports showing cash balance on March 1, 1924 of \$12,529.53 and on April 1, 1924, \$9,612.17 are submitted herewith. To the April balance is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$12,612.17.

On March 8, 1924, the bills payable account with the Louisville Trust Company amounting to \$64,000.00 and interest on loans, \$859.24, total



\$64,859.24, were paid. A motion is in order to approve this payment.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's reports for February and March were read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The February report shows a circulation of 112,285 volumes, an increase of 3,597 as compared to the same month last year. The report also shows 1,264 borrowers registered during the month, making a total of 58,600 citizens of Louisville and Jefferson county registered users of the library. The report of the Reference Department shows 14,329 more important questions asked and topics looked up. The attendance in the Civics room was 2,029. There were 2,093 volumes added to the library in February, making a total of 257,854 volumes available for public use. The report for March shows a circulation of 134,953 volumes, an increase of 6,438 as compared to the same month last year. The report also shows 1,294 borrowers registered during the month, making a total of 58,829 persons registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 17,036 more important questions asked and topics looked up and an attendance of 2,065 in the Civics room. There were 2,500 visitors to the Museum in March. There were 4,547 volumes added to the library during the month, making a total of 262,401 volumes available for public use.

This being the annual meeting and the election of officers, the Secretary asked who the Board would have for their president next year. Upon motion Mayor Quin was re-elected President, Dr. E. L. Powell, Vice-President, George T. Settle, Secretary and The Louisville Trust Company, Treasurer.

On call for unfinished business Mr. Barker read the following paper:

April 9, 1924

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

Your special committee (Thomas A. Barker, R. C. Ballard Thruston, and Henry Beyburn) to further confer with Ben S. Washer, attorney for Kaufman-

Straus Company, submitted the proposition that had been approved at the called meeting of the Library Board March 5 to Mr. Washer (letter mailed March 5, 1924, following Board meeting). This was accepted by Kaufman-Straus Company and the paper signed by Mayor Huston Quin, as President of the Library Board and Benjamin Kaufman, as President of Kaufman-Straus Company.

The committee to make the appraisement (Caldwell Norton, Thomas Bohannon, I. Sidney Jenkins and J. Lithgow Smith) submitted their appraisement to the Library Board and Kaufman-Straus Company on March 20, 1924. They appraised the value of this property at \$899,345.25. At 8% this would give us a rental of \$71,947.62.

Under the agreement Kaufman-Straus Company has thirty (30) days to accept or reject this proposition.

The committee also submitted a bill for \$4,496.72. Half of this, \$2,248.36, must be paid by the Library but under the agreement Kaufman-Straus is to advance this as a loan at the rate of 6%.

I am submitting herewith the three papers: 1) The agreement, signed by the Library and Kaufman-Straus Company; 2) The appraisement signed by Thomas Bohannon, I. Sidney Jenkins, Norton Caldwell and J. Lithgow Smith; and 3) The appraisers' bill.

Mr. Washer is in the ante-room and wishes to be heard.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman

and communication of March 20, 1924 from the special appraisement committee, as follows:

March 20, 1924

Louisville Free Public Library,  
and  
Kaufman-Straus Co.  
City.

ATTENTION MESSRS. BARKER & WASHER.

Gentlemen:-

We, the undersigned, having been selected to appraise property known as the Kaufman-Straus Co. Building, situate the East side of Fourth, between Liberty and Walnut Streets, in the City of Louisville, Ky.,

We find on actual survey the frontage on Fourth Street is 137 feet and three-quarters of an inch, by 200 feet in depth, on which there is

*Handwritten notes:*  
Kaufman-Straus Co. Building  
137 3/4 feet frontage  
200 feet depth  
\$899,345.25 value  
\$71,947.62 rental at 8%

a five story and basement building, and we have placed a value upon same of,

EIGHT HUNDRED AND NINETY NINE THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED AND FORTY FIVE DOLLARS AND TWENTY FIVE CENTS ( \$899,345.25).

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) THOS. BOHANNAN

(Signed) I. S. JENKINS

(Signed) CALDWELL NORTON

(Signed) J. LITHGOW SMITH

and bill from the committee, as follows:

Louisville, Ky., March 20, 1924.

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY,  
AND  
KAUFMAN-STRAUS CO.

D R S. TO

MESSRS. CALDWELL NORTON, THOS. BOHANNAN, I. SIDNEY JENKINS  
AND J. LITHGOW SMITH.

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To appraising building known as the  
Kaufman-Straus Co. Building -  
Total valuation \$899,345.25 - - - - - \$4,496.72

N.B. While we were given the right to employ architects, builders, engineers, etc., for which you were to pay, including survey, we will pay same out of the above amount.

Mr. Barker stated that Mr. Ben S. Washer, representing Kaufman-Straus Company, was in the ante-room and wished to appear before the Board, but that he first wished to make a statement. He said that Kaufman-Straus Company's wishes had been carefully considered in every step taken in this matter and that the committee chosen to make the appraisement was satisfactory to both parties and that the Board had not availed themselves of the offer of the City Assessor, without pay, for the very reason that some objection might be made if the price was too high. He also stated that if we agreed to any change in the rental after such an appraisement, we would lay ourselves liable to an injunction or law suit. Mr. Barker said that tax-payers feel that their competitors should not be given the

advantage of rent from non-tax-paying property and that he should like to hear what each member of the Board had to say after Mr. Washer had made his statement.

At this point Mr. Ben S. Washer and Mr. William Waterman were introduced to the Board. Mr. Washer said that what he had to say was not to reflect on the committee named to appraise the property, but that they thought it was too high and he had come before the Board to ask for a reduction or an extension of time for consideration. He stated that an offer had been made to Kaufman-Straus Company to erect for them a modern, up-to-date building according to their plans and specifications, but that the rental would be \$125,000 a year. He referred to the expenditure of \$50,000 for repairs and other necessary repairs to make the present building an up-to-date department store building, which he said should be added to the cost of rent. Mayor Quin asked Mr. Waterman if he had anything to say and Mr. Waterman said "no." Mr. Washer and Mr. Waterman retired for the Board to consider the proposition.

Mayor Quin called on the members of the Board in the order seated and all seemed to feel that they were not authorized to make any reduction, change the contract or extend the time.

Mr. Washer and Mr. Waterman were re-called and Mayor Quin made this announcement - we, as a Board, feel we are bound by the action of this appraisement committee and Kaufman-Straus Company has until April 20 to make their decision.

The Librarian's report for March 1924 showing an expenditure of \$11,752.24 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$7,885.13, voucher No. 146, checks Nos. 8757-8851 inclusive, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid April 1. This leaves a balance of \$3,867.11, voucher No. 147, checks Nos. 8852-8913 inclusive to be paid:

American Multigraph Sales Co.	\$	28.40
D. Appleton Co.		123.14
Arctic Ice Co.		18.05
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.		41.97

Breckel Press	30.00
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.	4.47
Champion Chemical Co.	2.25
Childers Electric Co.	28.52
Children's Book Shop	263.89
Arthur H. Clark Co.	12.50
J. E. Coleman	10.00
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	60.25
Dow Co.	27.20
Doyle-Clute-Carlisle-Braham Co.	58.75
Eugene B. Eye	14.04
Electric Blue Print & Supply Co.	2.70
F. W. Faxon Co.	2.86
Geo. G. Fetter Co.	3.00
J. W. Fischer	1.80
Gaylord Bros.	16.92
Goodspeed's Book Shop	3.68
J. N. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Co.	9.55
Hammer Printing & Office Supply Co.	4.50
D. C. Heath & Co.	2.08
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	1.40
T.J. Hoke	3.00
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	89.54
H. A. Huntting Co.	13.09
Kaufman-Straus Co.	722.21
F. K. Kavanaugh	1.50
Kee Lox Mfg. Co.	3.00
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	280.80
Klein Brothers	1.25
Herman C. Korfhage Co.	2.50
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Longmans, Green & Co.	1.17
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	148.24
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Paper Co.	8.40
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Anna Blanche McGill	23.15
Macmillan Co.	4.93
Macmillan Co.	13.58
Miller Paper Co.	6.00
John P. Morton & Co.	3.95
C. A. Nichols Publishing Co.	7.20
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Royal Typewriter Co.	4.00
St. Bernard Mining Co.	240.67
Schwarz, Clifford & Scott	18.89
Geo. T. Settle, Libn. PettyCash	103.72
Short's Tire Service	16.81
Southeastern Paper Co.	8.07
Standard Oil Co.	9.55
W. K. Stewart Co.	205.80
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	19.10
Stone & Gnau	40.63
United Business Service	15.00

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Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	985.89
Western Union Telegraph Co.	3.75
H. W. Wilson Co.	11.35
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Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Libn. - Pay Roll	7 885.13
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Total . . . . .	\$ 11 752.24

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

May 14-24

W. H. Anderson President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting, Board of Trustees, Wednesday May 14, 1924 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Dr. Pfingst, Mayor Quin, Dr. Rauch, Father Schuhmann, Mr. Thruston and Mr. Settle, with President Quin in the chair. Mrs. Gamble was out of the city attending a meeting of the Federated Women's Clubs at Crab Orchard Springs, Dr. Hemphill attending a Presbyterian Synod at San Antonio, Texas, Dr. Mullins attending a Baptist convention at Atlanta, Georgia and Dr. Powell was called to Frankfort. Mr. Heyburn was reported ill and Mr. Ossmann unable to attend.

The minutes of the regular April 9 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

The Secretary announced that Mayor Quin, President of the Board, announced no changes in the committees for the year, which are as follows:

## LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Edward L. Powell, Chairman  
George R. Schuhmann                      Henry B. Heyburn  
Mrs. Hoyt Gamble

## BUILDING COMMITTEE

Phillip Ossmann, Chairman  
Edgar Y. Mullins                      R. C. Ballard Thruston  
Mrs. Carl Abbott

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thomas A. Barker, Chairman  
Charles R. Hemphill                      Adolph O. Pfingst  
Joseph Rauch

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mayor Huston Quin, Chairman  
Phillip Ossmann                      Thomas A. Barker  
Edward L. Powell

## LIBRARY SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Edgar Y. Mullins, Chairman  
Joseph Rauch                      R. C. Ballard Thruston  
George T. Settle

The Librarian announced that a letter of thanks had been sent to 208 individuals and clubs for the 3,038 volumes received during Library Book Week.

The Librarian announced that it was necessary to have considerable typewriting done for the Committee and Board in the work of renewing Kaufman-Straus Company

lease. He said the library young ladies were perfectly willing to do this and did do typewriting of hundreds of sheets but that it was thought best to have certain original copies dictated to an experienced court stenographer and asked for authority to pay \$25.00 for this service. Upon motion this was approved.

The Librarian reported the following gift and loans:

1. Gift of a steel engraving of Saint Jerome, size 2 x 3 feet, from Miss Margaret A. Frost, 408 Fountain Court.
2. Loan of uniform of the Revolutionary period by Mr. <sup>L.A.</sup> Carlisle, of Lebanon, Kentucky, that had been worn by his great-uncle, ~~John~~ <sup>James</sup> G. Carlisle, during the Revolutionary War. For record it is noted that this coat and vest are badly worn and moth-eaten and that all buttons are missing.
3. Loan of 56 pieces of silver, copper, etc. coins by Mr. W. O. Whitford, 639 South Third Street (List follows minutes).

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

May 14, 1924

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance on May 1, 1924 of \$5,235.80 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$8,235.80.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for April was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 121,632 volumes, an increase of 13,713 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 69,755 volumes were circulated to adults and 51,877 to children, a little more than fifty-one per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 845 new borrowers registered during the month, making a total of 58,864 persons registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 17,100 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There were 2,231



visitors to the Civics Room and 2,833 visitors to the Museum. There were 1,360 volumes added to the library in April, making a total of 263,761 volumes available for public use. There were 1,529 volumes cataloged, making a total of 362,979 volumes cataloged since the opening of the library.

On call for report of the Finance Committee, Mr. Barker, Chairman, read resolution as follows:

WHEREAS, an Agreement has been heretofore entered into between the TRUSTEES OF LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY and KAUFMAN-STRAUS COMPANY, relative to appraisal of property now occupied by Kaufman-Straus Company to determine rental value for additional twelve (12) years from January 31st, 1928, and an additional option for twenty (20) years from January 31st, 1940; and, whereas, in said Agreement certain modifications were made in the Lease expiring January 31st, 1928; and

WHEREAS, the property has been appraised as provided in said agreement at \$899,345.25, and whereas, Kaufman-Straus Company has exercised said option for an additional twelve (12) years from January 31st, 1928, at an annual rental of \$71,947.62, and has requested that lease be executed in accordance with the Agreement aforesaid, which agreement is made part hereof.

NOW, THEREFORE Be it Resolved, That the President of this Board be and he is hereby authorized to enter into and execute for and on behalf of the Trustees of Louisville Free Public Library a Lease in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement, and the Secretary be and he is authorized to affix the corporate seal; and, whereas, in the Agreement Kaufman-Straus Company agreed to advance the one-half of the appraisal fee to be paid by this Board and to accept note due on or before One (1) year with six per cent per annum interest.

THEREFORE, Be it Further Resolved, That upon the payment of said sum, to-wit: \$4,496.72 the President of this Board be and he is authorized to execute note to Kaufman-Straus Company for \$2,248.36, payable on or before One (1) year from date, with interest at rate of six per cent per annum.

Upon motion this was approved, authorizing the President of the Library Board to sign the lease and note.

President Quin referred to the work done by Mr. Barker and his committee in renewing the lease and said the thanks of the Board should be given again. This was approved.

On call for report of the Building Committee, it was moved by Mrs. Abbott and seconded by Mr. Thruston, of the committee, that the lowest bid for re-decorating the interior of the Main library building, amounting to \$2,299.00, be awarded to

Frank Hartman and Sons. Upon motion this was approved.

It was suggested that the Librarian see Mr. Baskett, Department Counsel, before the contract was awarded, as to the advisability of Mr. Hartman giving bond, with the understanding that the cost of bond was to be added to cost of work. Upon motion this was approved.

The Librarian's report for April showing an expenditure of \$12,398.44 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$8,011.07, voucher No. 148, checks Nos. 8914-9008 inclusive, which had been signed by a member of the Library Committee and paid May 1. This leaves a balance of \$4,387.37, voucher No. 149, checks Nos. 9009-9082 inclusive, to be paid:

American Multigraph Sales Co.	\$	11.52
Arctic Ice Co.		20.07
Baker & Taylor Co.		65.86
Baptist Book Concern		1.80
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.		49.45
R. K. Bowker Co.		11.90
Breckel Press		25.00
Caron Directory Co.		144.00
Central Glass Co.		13.50
Central School Supply Co.		4.80
Childers Electric Co.		35.24
John Clark Co.		4.42
J. E. Coleman		10.00
College Blue Book		4.80
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.		60.25
Curry Bros.		1.50
Custom House Guide		5.00
Dien and King Paper Co.		14.18
Dow Co.		17.25
F. W. Faxon Co.		2.53
J. W. Fischer		2.00
Chas. V. Franck		11.50
Gaylord Bros.		122.85
Gibbs-Inman Co.		23.00
Girl Scouts		2.50
J. N. Grant		8.00
Gulf Refining Co.		28.65
Halvord Publishing Co.		5.00
Hammer Printing & Office Supply Co.		12.75
Harcourt, Brace & Co.		3.60
Robert L. Hawes & Co.		22.95
T. J. Hoke		3.00
Kaufman-Straus Co.		304.50
Kentucky & Louisville Mutual Ins. Co.		13.88
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.		742.80
Kentucky Tent & Awning Co.		8.00

Lampton, Crane & Ramey Co.	12.15
Library Bureau	114.09
J. B. Lippincott Co.	4.70
Lodenkemper Bros.	5.20
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Longmans, Green & Co.	18.92
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	146.94
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Paper Co.	15.00
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Anna Blanche McGill	3.70
Macmillan Co.	3.14
Miller Paper Co.	17.28
John P. Morton & Co.	4.20
C. A. Nichols Publishing Co.	7.20
Office Equipment Co.	1.35
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.	5.67
Penn Publishing Co.	3.30
Waldo S. Pratt, Treasurer, Music Teachers' National Association	2.00
T. F. Quarrie & Co.	2.40
Russell Sage Foundation	2.92
St. Bernard Mining Co.	250.35
B. F. Saunders	1.50
Schwarz, Clifford & Scott	5.31
Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	89.22
Short's Tire Service	14.57
J.E. Sikking & Bro.	126.19
T. Grant Slaughter	50.95
Southeastern Paper Co.	32.45
Southern Magazine	3.00
Standard Printing Co.	16.20
W. K. Stewart Co.	596.91
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	19.10
G. Broes Van Dort	14.00
Mrs. Frank Warren	35.00
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	872.91
H. W. Wilson & Co.	1.25
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Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	8 011.07
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Total . . . . .	\$ 12 398.44

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

June 11-1927

Huston President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## Coins loaned by Mr. Whitford

- 8 German - 5 mark, two 10 pfennig, two 1 pfennig, one 2 pfennig and one 5 pfennig and one 20 pfennig
- 3 Mexican - 1 dollar, one 10 cent piece and 1 penny
- 2 Chinese - yens
- 2 Japanese - 2 pennies of different size
- 3 Cuban - one 20 cent piece and two 1 cent pieces
- 6 Canadian - 3 pennies, two 5 cent pieces, one 10 cent piece
- 1 English - sixpence
- 6 French - one 40 cent silver piece, 1792, 1 franc,  $\frac{1}{2}$  franc, 2 centimes, and one 5 cent piece
- 2 Netherlands - one cent and one-half cent
- 1 Newfoundland (English possession) 10 cent piece
- 1 Honduras (British possession) 10 cent piece
- 1 U. S. Phillipines 10 cent piece
- 1 Denmark - penny
- 1 Venezuelan penny
- 1 Belgium 5 cent piece
- 4 Italian - two 5 cent pieces, one 20 cent piece and one 10 cent piece
- 3 Spanish - two 10 cent pieces and one 5 cent piece
- 1 Portugal 20 cent piece
- 1 Haitian - 25 cent piece
- 2 Austria - 3 cents and 6 cents
- 1 Switzerland - 10 cents
- 1 Central America (Costa Rico) 5 cents
- 1 Russian - 5 cents
- 2 Norwegian - 50 ore and 1 ore
- 1 unknown piece -  $\frac{1}{2}$  grots, 1840

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*These coins were returned 16 July 1924.*

*Received*

M. O. WHITFORD

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday June 11, 1924 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Dr. Mullins, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Powell, Mayor Quin, Dr. Rauch, Mr. Thruston and Mr. Settle, with President Quin in the chair. Mr. Heyburn was reported ill, Dr. Pfingst out of the city and Father Schumann unable to attend.

The minutes of the regular May meeting were read and upon motion approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter of May 12, 1924 from Miss Charlotte Templeton, Secretary, South Eastern Library Association, Greenville, S.C., asking for Louisville's invitation for the South Eastern Library Association conference to meet in Louisville.  
The Librarian stated that more than a year ago at the bi-ennial meeting at Chattanooga he requested the Executive Committee to notify him when they were ready for invitations for place for the next meeting.  
The question was asked what the expense would be. The Librarian said he felt sure it would be within \$500. Upon motion this was approved and the invitation authorized.
- b. Letter of May 20, 1924 from Allen M. Reager Company enclosing Fidelity and Deposit Company bond in behalf of Frank Hartman and Sons, contracting painters. The bond cost \$34.50, has been added to the cost of painting, and is in the bills for this month.
- c. Letter of June 9, 1924 from Mrs. Mabel G. Shook, thanking the Library Board for the check, \$25.00, for services in stenographic work in connection with renewing Kaufman-Streus lease.
- d. Resignation - Marguerite Dunagan, under date of May 31, 1924.  
Miss Dunagan came to us through our training class of 1922 and has served in the Stations Department. She resigns to be married.  
Upon motion this resignation was accepted.

The Librarian read a request from the staff of the Colored Department and colored library users, asking that busts (heroic size) of Frederick Douglas, Booker T. Washington and Paul Lawrence Dunbar be placed in the Western Colored Branch Library. These busts are the work of Isaac Hathaway (colored sculptor), 810 South Hickory Street, Pine Bluff, Arkansas, and will cost \$60.00 each.

Upon motion this was referred to the Finance Committee with power to act, with the suggestion that two be purchased - Douglas and Washington, if funds are available.

The Librarian announced that Miss Lula Henning, through Mr. L. F. Michael, Fidelity and Columbia Trust Company, had offered six pictures to the library as a loan. See list of pictures on page 116.

Upon motion the pictures will be accepted with the usual conditions - without liability to the library, the library not guaranteeing against loss by

fire, theft, damage, etc. and subject to return upon written order to be acted on at a regular meeting of the Library Board.

The Librarian announced that Mr. I. W. Bernheim had offered as a gift to the library 4 paintings from his home on Third Street, provided they are acceptable.

Upon motion the pictures will be accepted and upon receipt the Librarian is authorized to thank Mr. Bernheim in the name of the Board. *These pictures were received. - see letter June 26, 1924 to Mr. I. W. Bernheim*

The Librarian announced that the examination to enter the training class would be held Friday June 13, from 9 to 12 o'clock, at the Main library for white applicants and the Western Colored branch for colored applicants. He reported that 41 applications had been filed, 36 white and 5 colored. The classes will begin work the first week in September and will be selected from those who pass the examination.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

June 11, 1924

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance on June 1, of \$3,556.93 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$6,556.93.

A voucher for \$10,000.00 for library privileges to residents of Jefferson County for the fiscal year February 1, 1924-January 31, 1925, was appropriated at the last meeting of the Fiscal Court Friday, June 6, and we have word from the County Treasurer's office that this check will be available Thursday, June 12.

Voucher No. 152, \$7,700.00, interest on mortgage, is submitted herewith for approval for payment. This is due on or before June 15.

The cost of appraisal of the building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Company, amounting to \$4,496.72, is reported to have been paid by Kaufman-Straus Company and we are submitting a note for \$2,248.36 for the Library's half, with interest at the rate of 6% per annum, for signature of the President of the Board. This was approved at the last Board meeting - see page 107, record book number 5. The lease is also ready for signature - see page 107, record book number 5.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BANKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved, authorizing the payment of interest on mortgage, \$7,700.00, and the report ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for May was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 109,213 volumes, an increase of 10,737 as

compared to the same month last year. Of this number 65,546 volumes were circulated to adults and 43,667 to children, fifty-four per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 693 borrowers registered during the month, making a total of 58,816 persons registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 15,135 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There were 2,139 visitors to the Civics Room and 1,336 visitors to the Museum. There were 511 volumes added to the library in May, making 264,272 volumes available for public use. There were 841 volumes cataloged in May, making the total number of books cataloged since the opening of the library 363,820.

On call for report of Finance Committee, Mr. Barker presented letter which was read by the Secretary as follows:

April 16, 1924

Hon. Huston Quin,  
President Board of Trustees, and  
Members of the Board of Trustees,  
Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

As President of Kaufman-Straus Co., acting under authority of the Board of Directors of said Company, I desire hereby to notify you of the acceptance by the Kaufman-Straus Co. of the appraisal made by the board of appraisers under date of March 20, 1924, of the valuation upon the premises now occupied by this Company and owned by the Library Board, which said appraisal was fixed at \$899,345.25.

I desire further to inform you that the Kaufman-Straus Co. hereby exercises its option to renew its lease on said premises for the further period of twelve (12) years from and after January 31, 1928, according to all the terms and conditions provided in a contract entered into between your Board and the Kaufman-Straus Co. under date of March 6, 1924; said contract, among other things, containing a provision for an option for an extension of said lease from and after January 31, 1940, for an additional period of twenty years.

You will please cause your officers to prepare and submit a lease in the form provided for in said contract above referred to, and same will be promptly executed by the Kaufman-Straus Co.

Awaiting further advices from your Board, I am.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) BENJAMIN KAUFMAN

President Kaufman-Straus Co.

The Secretary announced that this had been approved at the last Board meeting

but upon motion again the President was authorized to issue and sign a note. The note was written by Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Finance Committee, signed by Mayor Quin, President of the Board, and left with Mr. Barker to be delivered to Kaufman-Straus Company.

Mr. Barker presented two copies of the lease, which had been signed by Kaufman-Straus Company, for signatures of the President and Secretary of the Library Board, and the library seal. The Secretary announced that this action had been approved at the last meeting but upon motion again the President and Secretary were authorized to sign this lease and place seal.

Both copies of the lease were turned over to Mr. Barker. He said that the seal of Kaufman-Straus Company did not appear on it and he would have it attended to and sent to the Secretary of the Library Board. The lease <sup>will be</sup> ~~has been~~ recorded and will be placed on file. See pages 119-132 for copy of lease.

Upon call for anything from Building Committee, Mr. Ossmann read recommendation# as follows:

June 11, 1924

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The redecorating of the interior of the Main building has been completed and we are submitting voucher No. 153 amounting to \$2,299.00 for your approval for payment.

There is a balance of \$161.00 to be paid. This will be taken care of after a thorough inspection of the building has been made. The lighting fixtures in several places were broken and the pedestal of the Cawein bust was damaged. This balance will be held until these repairs are made.

A motion to pay this voucher is in order.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) PHIL. OSSMANN

Chairman Building Committee

Upon motion this was approved and voucher, which had been made, was signed and authorized paid.

The Librarian's report for May showing an expenditure of \$16,760.53 upon



motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$7,811.32, voucher No. 150, checks Nos. 9083-9178 inclusive, which had been signed by Chairman of the Library Committee and paid June 1. This also includes voucher No. 152, \$7,700.00, payable to Louisville Trust Company for interest on mortgage. This leaves a balance of \$1,249.21, voucher No. 151, checks Nos. 9179-9233 inclusive to be paid:

American Multigraph Sales Co.	\$ 16.88
Arctic Ice Co.	23.85
Baker & Taylor Co.	7.16
C. L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	42.04
Wolf Blitz Glass Co.	8.60
Brakaeier Bros.	1.25
Breckel Press	20.75
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.	1.00
Bush-Krebs Co.	8.57
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	60.25
Harry C. Curry	1.50
W. O. Busch	6.70
W. W. Paxon Co.	1.00
Federal Glue Co.	17.56
Gaylord Bros	2.80
Gibbs-Inman Co.	20.00
J. B. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Co.	9.55
Hammer Printing & Office Supply	4.50
L. M. Haynie	7.20
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	4.25
T. J. Hoke	3.00
R. Jeunesse & Sons	11.45
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	165.40
Kentucky Paper Box Co.	10.25
J. C. Kirchdorfer	1.60
Klein Bros.	7.50
C. A. Knollenberg	12.00
Library Bureau	1.00
Lodenkemper Bros.	2.70
Long's Towel Supply Co.	9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	118.44
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Anna Blanche McGill	13.21
Mail & Express Publishing Co.	3.80
Miller Paper Co.	20.10
John P. Morton & Co.	40.48
Mueller-Metzner Co.	10.00
National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution	1.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
L.C. Page & Co.	1.01
Allen M. Reager	34.50
Ruud Mfg. Co.	3.50
George T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	81.73
Short's Tire Service	27.24
J. E. Sicking & Bro.	67.00

Southeastern Paper Co.	18.50
Standard Oil Co.	19.10
F. K. Stewart Co.	76.50
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	23.87
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	122.88
Prince Wells Co.	5.59
Helon M. Winslow, Editor-Annual Register of Women's Clubs in America	3.00
Women's New Service	2.00
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Pd) George T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	7 811.32
Louisville Trust Co. - Interest on mortgage	7,700.00
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Total . . . . .	\$ 16 760.53

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Sept 10, 1924

E. L. Powell President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

Pictures loaned by Miss Lula Henning

Picture	Artist
Portrait of Robert Burns	School of Raeburn
Roman girl	Charles Landelle
Head of a woman <i>not 4726</i>	O.R.
Head of a woman <i>not 4726</i>	O.R.
Widow's mite	Unknown
First step	Fritz Zuber-Buhler
Have a bon-bon?	Fritz Zuber-Buhler
* Thinking of home	T. Emile Laton
Head of a woman <i>not 4726</i>	Mesquil de Chambourg

\* "Meditation" by Emile Lafon - correct title.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

July 9, 1924

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library was not held on the above date because of lack of quorum. The following letter was sent to the Executive Committee:

July 10, 1924

Mayor Huston Quin )  
 Dr. E. L. Powell ) Executive Committee, Board of Trustees  
 Mr. Thomas A. Barker ) Louisville Free Public Library  
 Mr. Phillip Ossmann ) Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

We were unable to have a regular meeting of the Library Board on July 9, 1924 on account of the lack of quorum.

Since there is no likelihood of having a meeting before August 1, I recommend that the bills for the month amounting to \$803.31 be paid by order of the Executive Committee. If this is agreeable please sign below and return.

Respectfully submitted,

(SIGNED) GEORGE T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

Approved and payment of  
 bills authorized:

(Signed) Huston Quin, President

(Signed) Thos. A. Barker

*E. L. Powell*

Mayor Quin, President and Mr. Barker, Chairman Finance Committee authorized the deposit of voucher check and mailing of checks when they were told Dr. Powell and Mr. Ossmann were out of the city. Will have Dr. Powell and Mr. Ossmann sign when they return

(Signed) GEORGE T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

12 July 1924

This approval included bills which were paid as follows:

Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept	\$ 27.18
Henry V. Bonkofsky	12.15
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	62.45
J. W. Fisher	2.70
J. N. Grant	8.00
Frank Hartman and Sons	161.00
T. J. Hoke	3.00

Long's Towel Supply Co.	\$ 9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	121.20
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Milliken Battery Service Co.	2.00
Mueller and Metzner	10.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Eugene K. Rounds	4.66
Geo. T. Settle (Petty Cash)	79.18
Geo. T. Settle (A.L.A. expenses)	133.67
Short's Tire Service	1.25
Standard Oil Co.	19.16
Tehan and Head	3.72
Theobald-Jansen Electric Co.	1.20
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	83.49
Prince Wells Co.	1.30
Western Union Telegraph Co.	3.75
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	\$803.31
Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	\$1249.19
Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	<u>6628.69</u>
Pd) Frank Hartman and Sons-Repairs	<u>2299.00</u>
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TOTAL - - - - -	\$10980.19

## MINUTES APPROVED:

Sept 10 - 1924

E. L. P... .. President  
Geo. T. Settle Secretary

Lease approved at the Library Board meeting June 11, 1924 - see page 114.

This INDENTURE made and entered into by and between the TRUSTEES OF LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY, of Louisville, Kentucky, party of the first part, - Lessor, and KAUFMAN-STRAUS COMPANY, a corporation, party of the second part, - Lessee;

WITNESSETH; That whereas, the second party now occupies the property, hereinafter referred to, under a lease dated May 27th, 1910, and recorded in Deed Book 722, Page 130, in the Jefferson County Court Clerk's Office, in which Lease there was granted second party an option for an additional term of twelve (12) years from January 31st, 1928; and

WHEREAS, the second party requested of the first party that valuation be made at this time to determine the rental of the property for the additional term of twelve (12) years and also requested that an additional option be granted for a period of twenty (20) years from January 31st, 1940; and

WHEREAS, on March 6th, 1924, an Agreement was entered into by and between the parties, which is in words and figures as follows:-

"This Agreement entered into in duplicate by and between Trustees of Louisville Free Public Library, Louisville, Ky., party of the first part, and Kaufman-Straus Company, a corporation, party of the second part,

WITNESSETH: That whereas on May 27, 1910, the Louisville Public Library leased to the party of the second part for the period of fifteen years from January 31st, 1913, the following described property in Louisville, Kentucky;

A lot one hundred and thirty-eight (138) feet, more or less, front by two hundred (200) feet deep on the East side of Fourth Street between Green (now Liberty) and Walnut Streets, and the basement and five floors of its building erected on said lot, being the house and lot now used and occupied by party of the second part as a department store. The said property to be used by the second party as a dry goods and department store only, which lease was recorded in Deed Book 722, Page 130, office of the County Clerk of Jefferson County, Kentucky, and

WHEREAS it is provided in said lease as follows 'It is agreed by the parties

hereto that if at the end of the fifteen years hereinbefore named, the party of the second part desires to continue its use of the property herein leased for a period of twelve (12) years from that date, namely, January 31, 1928, then at its option, party of the second party may continue said lease for the term of twelve years upon the same terms and conditions as contained herein, except as to rental, which shall be fixed for said additional term as follows; Party of the second part or its assigns shall name one appraiser; party of the first part or its assigns shall name one appraiser, and in case these two can not agree, they shall appoint a third as umpire, a majority of the three to fix a value on the property herein described, at the time of the expiration of the lease, to-wit, January 31, 1928, and the party of the second part shall pay as rental for said property for said additional period of twelve years, annually, an amount equalling eight (8) per cent of the value of the property herein leased, as valued by the appraisers and same shall be paid in twelve installments of equal amount on the 10th day of each and every month. The appraisers herein provided for shall be residents of the city of Louisville for at least five years and regular licensed real estate dealers of at least three years experience as such' and

WHEREAS the Louisville Public Library has leased to first party hereto the aforementioned property and whereas the second party has requested that an appraisal be made of said property at this time and that it also be granted an option for an additional twenty (20) years from January 31, 1940, such latter option to be dependent upon the exercise of option for twelve years from January 31, 1928.

NOW, Therefore, in consideration of the first party consenting to appraisal at this date and the granting by it of an additional option for twenty years from January 31, 1940, the said second party has agreed to the changes in the present lease hereinbefore referred to, and the said first and second parties in consideration of mutual benefits to each, now agree as follows:

1. An appraisal shall be immediately made by a committee composed of the following real estate agents: Messrs. J. Lithgow Smith, Caldwell Norton, Thos. Bohannon,

1. Sidney Jenkins and C. C. Heatt.
2. The cost of appraisal shall be borne one-half by first party and one-half by second party, but the second party agrees to advance to first party its one-half to be repaid on or before one year from date of such loan, with interest at rate of six per cent (6%) per annum payable at maturity.
3. That any and all amendments to the present lease and any and all agreements relative to the property shall be construed as applying to the remainder of the present term, expiring January 31, 1928, as well as for additional terms.
4. Clause ten (10) of the original lease recorded in Deed Book 722, Page 130, Clerk's Office aforesaid, is amended to read as follows 'The party of the second part is to take good care of the premises and to immediately make all repairs necessary for its proper preservation and use, and first party shall be put to no expense whatever for the repair, maintenance or operation of the building, including the roof and sidewalk.'
5. Clause eleven (11) of the aforesaid lease is amended to read as follows: 'The lessor shall at reasonable times have free access to the premises herein leased, for the purpose of examining or exhibiting the same and for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not the building has been kept in proper repair or is being properly maintained. In the event the lessor, in its judgment believes the building is not being kept in proper repair (and by the term repairs is meant such repairs as are necessary for the proper preservation of the building and sidewalk, and does not include any changes or alterations in the physical construction of the building not agreeable to both parties hereto) and properly maintained then, it shall in writing notify the lessee of the repairs necessary or the methods of maintenance objected to and the lessee shall within thirty (30) days from the mailing or delivery of such writing make such repairs or changes as may be demanded, provided however, that if the lessee considers such requirement unreasonable, then, the question shall within three (3) days from receipt of written notice be submitted to arbitration. The lessor and the lessee

each to select an arbitrator and if the two, so chosen, are unable to agree and cannot agree upon a third member, then the Judge of longest service of Jefferson Circuit Court or by whatever name the principal court in Jefferson County, Kentucky, may be designated shall have the power to appoint such third member and the decision of a majority of the three arbitrators, in whatever manner selected shall be final and the unsuccessful party in the arbitration shall pay the cost thereof. The application to the Judge of the Jefferson Circuit Court herein referred to shall be made by petition of the arbitrators, of the parties hereto or either of them and the party selected or appointed by the Court shall be a regular licensed real estate agent or architect, resident of Louisville, Ky., for at least five years and of at least three years' experience.'

6. Before any alterations or improvements are made in or upon the building written consent of the first party shall be obtained. Provided, however, that ordinary repairs may be made without this consent and provided further that such consent shall not be necessary in making changes or alterations in any of the fixtures, so long as such changes do not change or alter the building proper.

7. The second party agrees that it will within a reasonable time expend not less than \$50,000.00 for fixtures, painting and other improvements of that nature, installation of new show windows, laying of new floors and installation of new elevators, but in all such work which will result in alteration or change of the building, written consent of first party shall be obtained as provided in clause 6 hereof.

8. Clause nine (9) of lease aforesaid is to be amended to read as follows: 'This lease at the option of the lessor, shall be void and forfeited in case of any violation of any covenant herein contained and the lessor may receive and collect any rent due and the payment of rent shall not waive or affect a forfeiture incurred, provided, that in the event of such violation lessor shall give to lessee written notice of such violation and if lessee fail to comply within thirty (30) days from delivery of such notice, then the question of whether a forfeiture has occurred



shall be determined by arbitration in the manner set forth in clause 5 hereof.'

9. After the appraisal heretofore referred to has been made, the said second party shall within thirty (30) days thereafter notify first party in writing of its acceptance of the appraisal. Failure to so notify first party shall be construed as refusal to exercise option and the right to such option shall become null and void. And in the event of the exercise of such option the annual rental from and after January 31, 1928, shall be an amount equalling eight (8%) per cent of the appraised value payable as set forth in the lease.

And it is further agreed that in case the second party exercises said option for an additional twelve (12) years from January 31, 1928, then first party grants unto second party an option for an additional term of twenty (20) years from January 31, 1940. The property to be valued in the manner set forth in the original lease upon the request of either party, at any time after January 31, 1937. And when appraisal has been made the second party shall within one year from and after date of such appraisal either exercise or refuse to exercise the option for the additional term of twenty (20) years from January 31, 1940. If exercised the second party shall pay as rental for said property for the additional period of twenty (20) years an amount equalling ten (10%) per cent of the appraised value of property as valued by the appraisers and same shall be paid as set forth in original lease.

It is understood between the parties hereto that all the terms and provisions of the original lease hereinbefore referred to except as herein amended shall apply to the remainder of the present term as well as to the remaining term or options herein set forth.

In Testimony Whereof, witness signatures and corporate seals of first and second parties hereunto affixed by duly authorized officers this 6th day of March, 1924."

AND, whereas, the property was appraised at \$899,345.25, and whereas, the second party, within the time specified in said agreement, notified the first party, in writing, that it accepted the appraisal and exercised the option for an additional twelve (12) years from January 31st, 1928, at an annual rental of Seventy-one Thousand,

Nine Hundred and Forty-seven & 62/100 (\$71,947.62) Dollars, payable in equal monthly installments, and requested that lease be executed as provided in the aforesaid agreement amending the clauses in the original lease for the remainder of the term, expiring January 31st, 1928, and for the additional term of twelve (12) years from January 31st, 1928, with an option for an additional term of twenty (20) years from January 31st, 1940, the lease for the additional term and the option for an additional term of twenty (20) years to be in accordance with the terms of the Agreement of March 6th, 1924.

NOW, THEREFORE this INDENTURE WITNESSETH: That in consideration of the first party consenting to the appraisal at the time and for the other considerations as set forth in the Agreement of March 6th, 1924, the original Lease of May 27th, 1910, above referred to, is amended in the following particulars:

Clause 9 shall be and is so amended as to read as follows:-

"This Lease at the option of the lessor shall be void and forfeited in case of any violation of any covenant herein contained and the lessor may receive and collect any rent due and the payment of rent shall not waive or affect a forfeiture incurred, provided, that in the event of such violation lessor shall give to lessee written notice of such violation and if lessee fail to comply within thirty (30) days from delivery of such notice, then the question of whether a forfeiture has occurred shall be determined by arbitration in the manner set forth in clause 5 of the agreement being clause 11 hereof.

Clause 10 shall be and is so amended as to read as follows:-

"The party of the second part is to take good care of the premises and to immediately make all repairs necessary for its proper preservation and use, and first party shall be put to no expense whatever for the repair, maintenance or operation of the building, including the roof and sidewalk."

That clause 11 is amended so that the same shall read as follows:

"The lessor shall at reasonable times have free access to the premises herein leased, for the purpose of examining or exhibiting the same and for the purpose of

ascertaining whether or not the building has been kept in proper repair or is being properly maintained. In the event the lessor, in its judgment, believes the building is not being kept in proper repair (and by the term repairs is meant such repairs as are necessary for the proper preservation of the building and sidewalk, and does not include any changes or alterations in the physical construction of the building not agreeable to both parties hereto) and properly maintained then, it shall in writing notify the lessee of the repairs necessary or the methods of maintenance objected to and the lessee shall within thirty (30) days from the mailing or delivery of such writing make such repairs or changes as may be demanded, provided however, that if the lessee considers such requirement unreasonable, then, the question shall within three (3) days from receipt of written notice be submitted to arbitration. The lessor and the lessee each to select an arbitrator and if the two, so chosen, are unable to agree and cannot agree upon a third member, then the Judge of longest service of Jefferson Circuit Court or by whatever name the principal court in Jefferson County, Kentucky, may be designated shall have the power to appoint such third member and the decision of a majority of the three arbitrators, in whatever manner selected shall be final and the unsuccessful party in the arbitration shall pay the cost thereof. The application to the Judge of the Jefferson Circuit Court herein referred to shall be made by petition of the arbitrators, of the parties hereto or either of them and the party selected or appointed by the Court shall be a regular licensed real estate agent or architect, resident of Louisville, Ky., for at least five years and of at least three years' experience."

And the following additional clauses are made a part of the original Lease and shall apply to the remainder of the term:

"A" Before any alterations or improvements are made in or upon the building written consent of first party shall be obtained. Provided, however, that ordinary repairs may be made without this consent and provided further that such consent shall not be necessary in making changes or alterations in any of the fixtures, so long as such

changes do not change or alter the building proper.

"B" The second party agrees that it will, within a reasonable time, expend not less than \$50,000.00 for fixtures, painting and other improvements of that nature, installation of new show windows, laying of new floors and installation of new elevators, but in all such work which will result in alteration or change of the building written consent of first party shall be obtained as provided in clause 6 of the Agreement, being Clause "A" hereof.

AND, this INDENTURE FURTHER WITNESSETH: That the party of the first part does hereby lease to the party of the second part, the following described property, to-wit:-

A Lot One Hundred and Thirty-eight (138) feet, more or less, by Two Hundred (200) feet deep on East side of Fourth Street between Liberty (formerly Green) and Walnut Streets, and the basement and the five (5) floors of its building erected on said lot, for the space of Twelve (12) years from January 31st, 1928, and covenants to keep the tenant in quiet possession of the premises during said term. The said property is to be used by the lessee as hereinafter described, viz: a Dry Goods and Department Store only;

In consideration whereof, the lessee, party of the second part, binds itself to pay for said premises the sum of Seventy-one Thousand, Nine Hundred and Forty-seven & 62/100 (\$71,947.62) Dollars per year, payable monthly, being the sum of Five Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-five & 63 1/2/100 (\$5995.63 1/2) Dollars on or before the tenth of each and every month; to take good care of the premises and return the same at the expiration of said time in as good order as received, ordinary wear and tear and natural decay excepted, unless the improvements should be destroyed by lightning or other natural causes, or fire not caused by its default, and not to erect on the premises any nuisance, or commit any waste. In case the premises herein leased, or any part thereof, shall during the term of this lease or any renewal thereof, be destroyed or damaged by fire or other casualty, without the fault of the lessee, so that the same shall be rendered unfit for the purposes designed in this Lease, to-

wit: their use as a department store, and said Lessor shall fail to restore said premises with all reasonable diligence to their condition before said fire or casualty then in that event, the lessee may cancel this lease within thirty (30) days after the happening of such event, by giving notice, such notice to be in writing. In case the premises shall be partially destroyed or injured and a portion thereof shall remain uninjured, then the rent shall cease on such part as shall be unfit for use by the party of the second part, and no rent shall be paid by the lessee on the proportionate part of said Building so damaged from the time of the occurrence of said fire or casualty until the part so damaged shall have been repaired by the lessor and put in condition for the uses aforesaid at its expense, and thereupon the rent so stopped shall recommence immediately after such rebuilding shall have been completed, but in any event the rent shall be paid up to the date of such fire or casualty.

It is agreed by the parties hereto that if at the end of the twelve (12) years, hereinbefore named, and expiring on January 31st, 1940, the party of the second part desires to continue its use of the property herein leased for a period of twenty (20) years from that date, namely, January 31st, 1940, then, at its option, party of the second part may continue said lease for the term of twenty (20) years upon the same terms and conditions as contained herein, except as to rental, which shall be fixed for said additional term as follows:

Party of the second part or its assigns shall name one appraiser; party of the first or its assigns shall name one appraiser, and in case these two cannot agree, they shall appoint a third as umpire, a majority of the Three to fix a value on the property herein described, at the time of the expiration of the lease, to wit: January 31st, 1940, and the party of the second part shall pay as rental for said property for said additional period of twenty (20) years, annually an amount equalling ten (10%) per cent of the value of the property herein leased, as valued by the appraisers and same shall be paid in twelve (12) installments of equal amount on the 10th of each and every month. The appraisers herein provided for shall be residents of the City of Louisville for at least five (5) years and regular licensed

real estate dealers of at least three (3) years' experience as such. The appraisal to be made upon the request of either party at any time after January 31st, 1937, and when appraisal has been made second party shall within one (1) year from and after date of such appraisal either exercise or refuse to exercise the option for the additional term of twenty (20) years from January 31st, 1940.

The following additional stipulations shall be declared a part of this lease:

1. If the party of the second part shall desire to assign its lease upon the premises, it may do so, provided the proposed tenant is acceptable to party of the first part and it consents thereto in writing, and provided that the same conditions as to acceptability and written consent shall apply to any second or subsequent assignment of said lease; and if the party of the second part shall desire to underlet any part of the premises herein leased, it shall have power to do so, but second party shall not assign or underlet the premises or any part of them for any purpose more hazardous than that of department store, and should any change in the building be necessitated by such underletting, then at the termination of this lease or any renewal thereof, said second party shall restore said building to the same condition as before such underletting unless said first party shall waive such provision.

Should party of the second part, or its assignee, assign said lease without consent of party of the first part, as above provided, party of the first party shall have the right at its option to treat the whole lease as determined and proceed to recover the property at once.

2. The lessee shall not at any time, use the premises, or permit them to be used, in such manner as to increase the rate of insurance.

3. In case of a violation of clause 2 on the part of the lessee, it agrees to pay the lessor, as damages, the increased insurance; and in case the premises are so used that the lessor cannot effect insurance thereon, the lessee agrees to become the insurer thereof.

4. The lessee covenants to comply with the city laws and ordinances in regard to

nuisances, in so far as the premises are concerned, and that it will not, by any act of itself, or sub-tenants, if any, render the lessor liable therefor, and that it will make good, or pay at the end of this lease or any renewal thereof, or on the vacation of the property, for all glass broken in the windows, doors, etc., also put in proper repair all locks or keys to same, if lost, or pay for same at a fair valuation.

5. No demand of rent need at any time be made on the premises or elsewhere, but it shall be the duty of the lessee to pay the same as moneys generally due, without demand.

6. If the lease should at any time become void or forfeited, no demand shall be necessary to a recovery of the possession of the premises, and the lessor shall be entitled to receive or sue out a distress warrant for rent, whether the same became due before or after a forfeiture incurred, and such receipt of rent or suing out a distress warrant shall not be considered a confirmation or renewal of this lease.

7. Should the lessee continue to occupy the premises after the expiration of said term or after a forfeiture incurred, whether with or against the consent of the lessor, such tenancy shall be in accordance with the terms of this lease.

8. Should the lessor at any time rightfully seek to recover possession of the premises and be obstructed or resisted therein, and litigation ensue, the lessee shall pay all costs and expenses that may necessarily arise from enforcing the covenants of this indenture by the lessor.

9. This lease, at the option of the lessor, shall be void and forfeited in case of any violation of any covenant herein contained and the lessor may receive and collect any rent due and the payment of rent shall not waive or affect a forfeiture incurred, provided, that in the event of such violation lessor shall give to lessee written notice of such violation and if lessee fail to comply within thirty (30) days from delivery of such notice, then the question of whether a forfeiture has occurred shall be determined by arbitration in the manner set forth in clause 11 hereof.

10. The party of the second part is to take good care of the premises and to immediately make all repairs necessary for its proper preservation and use, and first

party shall be put to no expense whatever for the repair, maintenance or operation of the building, including the roof and sidewalk.

11. The lessor shall at reasonable times have free access to the premises herein leased, for the purpose of examining or exhibiting the same and for the purpose of ascertaining whether or not the building has been kept in proper repair or is being properly maintained. In the event the lessor, in its judgment believes the building is not being kept in proper repair (and by the term repairs is meant such repairs as are necessary for the proper preservation of the building and sidewalk, and does not include any changes or alterations in the physical construction of the building not agreeable to both parties hereto) and properly maintained, then, it shall in writing notify the lessee of the repairs necessary or the methods of maintenance objected to and the lessee shall within thirty (30) days from the mailing or delivery of such writing make such repairs or changes as may be demanded, provided, however, that if the lessee considers such requirement unreasonable, then, the question shall within three (3) days from receipt of written notice be submitted to arbitration. The lessor and the lessee each to select an arbitrator and if the two, so chosen, are unable to agree and cannot agree upon a third member, then the Judge of longest service of Jefferson Circuit Court or by whatever name the principal court in Jefferson County, Kentucky, may be designated shall have the power to appoint such third member and the decision of a majority of the three arbitrators, in whatever manner selected shall be final and the unsuccessful party in the arbitration shall pay the cost thereof. The application to the Judge of the Jefferson Circuit Court herein referred to shall be made by petition of the arbitrators, of the parties hereto, or either of them and the party selected or appointed by the Court shall be a regular licensed real estate agent or architect, resident of Louisville, Ky., for at least five years and of at least three years' experience.

12. The lessor shall not be liable for any damages caused by a failure to keep said premises in repair. The said lessor shall not be liable for any injury or accident to any one upon or passing by said premises, by reason of any defective



cellar door, grating or open hatchway within the control of the lessee and in its exclusive possession, and the lessee covenants to hold the lessor harmless from any and all damages arising under this clause.

13. Before any alterations or improvements are made in or upon the building, written consent of the first party shall be obtained. Provided, however, that ordinary repairs may be made without this consent, and provided further, that such consent shall not be necessary in making changes or alterations in any of the fixtures so long as such changes do not change or alter the building proper.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Witness the signatures of the parties hereto in duplicate, by their respective duly authorized officers and attestation of their corporate seals, this 10 day of May, 1924.

O.K.  
(Signed) Wm. T. Baskett  
Department Counsel



TRUSTEES OF LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

BY (Signed) HUSTON QUIN,  
President



ATTEST:

KAUFMAN-STRAUS COMPANY,

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Secretary

BY (Signed) BENJAMIN KAUFMAN  
President

(Signed) E. S. MAYER  
Secretary

STATE OF KENTUCKY )  
                          ) SCT.  
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON )

I, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do certify that the foregoing Indenture was this day produced to me in said County and acknowledged and delivered by HUSTON QUIN, as President, to be the act and deed of Trustees of Louisville Free Public Library, a party thereto, and by GEORGE T. SETTLE, as Secretary to be his act and deed.

My commission as a Notary Public expires on the 28 day of Jan., 1926.

WITNESS, my signature this the 10 day of June 1924.

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER  
Notary Public, Jefferson County, Kentucky

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STATE OF KENTUCKY     )  
                          )   SCT.  
COUNTY OF JEFFERSON )

I, a Notary Public in and for the County and State aforesaid, do certify that the foregoing Indenture was this day produced to me in said County and acknowledged and delivered by BENJAMIN KAUFMAN, as President, to be the act and deed of KAUFMAN-STRAUS COMPANY, a party thereto, and attested by E. S. MAYER, as Secretary of Kaufman-Straus Company.

My commission as a Notary Public expires on the 14th day of January, 1926.

WITNESS, my signature this the 10th day of June, 1924.

(Signed)   BEN S. WASHNER  
Notary Public, Jefferson County, Kentucky

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## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

August 13, 1924

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustess of the Louisville Free Public Library was not held on the above date because of lack of quorum in the city. The following letter was sent to the Executive Committee:

August 14, 1924

TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

In arranging the budget for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1924 we asked the city for \$119,706.90. We were reduced from 3 3/4 cents to 3 5/8 but were told that with back taxes we would receive \$121,280.93. *See page 64-44*

When the Comptroller delivered the assessor's estimate of amounts the departments would receive the library was estimated to receive \$116,280.94. I visited the City Hall about this and was told that back taxes would make up the difference from the figure that had been given originally (\$121,280.93). I said that my experience with library finances had taught me to expect that what was lacking in the current year's taxes would be made up by back taxes; in other words, that we would not receive more than \$116,280.94, a few hundred dollars more or less, and we revised our budget accordingly. I made this statement at the Board meeting and it was understood that if we did not receive the full \$116,280.94 from the city I was privileged to ask Kaufman-Straus Company for thirteen months rent this year.

We have received from the city \$110,614.27, or \$5,666.67 less than the \$116,280.94 required for the revised budget. Pay rolls have been paid to the end of the fiscal year but it was necessary to borrow funds, expecting \$116,280.94 from the city to repay it.

We have in the hands of the Treasurer today \$5,371.98 with a bills payable note and interest amounting to \$7,474.47 that must be paid before the end of the fiscal year (August 31) and more than \$3,000.00 current maintenance bills for July and August unpaid.

The Kaufman-Straus Company say they will advance September rent paying it the last week in August. This will take care of the bills payable and interest and allow us to pay \$897.51 in bills, leaving about \$3,000.00 bills not paid.

Since we were unable to have a Board meeting in August because of lack of quorum in the city, I recommend that the Treasurer be authorized to borrow money beginning September 1, 1924, from time to time as necessary to pay pay rolls and current maintenance bills.

This statement is sent to other members of the Executive Committee. If the recommendation meets with your approval please sign below and return.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Secretary and Librarian

(Signed)

(Signed) PHIL OSSMANN

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

(Signed) E. L. POWELL

(See next page for bills)

This approval included bills which were paid as follows:

Arctic Ice Co.		\$ 55.12
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.		9.83
Committee of Reference and Counsel of the Foreign Missions Conference of N. A.		1.25
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.		60.25
C. T. Dearing Printing Co.		109.95
Gilding Shop		54.55
J. N. Grant		8.00
R. Jeunesse & Sons		38.75
Klein Bros.		6.00
Library Bureau		3.60
Library of Congress		50.00
Lodenkemper Bros.		5.00
Long's Towel Supply Co.		9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.		96.52
Louisville Grocery Co.		6.75
Louisville Home Telephone Co.		39.25
Louisville Towel Supply Co.		16.40
Louisville Trust Co.		16.10
Miller Paper Co.		14.00
Mitchell Bros.		4.20
Mueller-Metzner		10.00
Otis Elevator Co.		14.00
Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash		57.25
Short's Tire Service		24.29
Standard Oil Co.		18.88
Stoll Oil Refining Co.		19.10
E. F. Swindler		45.00
A. J. Wallon		14.00
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.		71.43
Prince Wells Co.		18.88
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		897.35
Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll		7 472.92
Pd) Louisville Trust Co. - Demand Loan	7,418.84	
Interest	<u>55.63</u>	<u>7 474.47</u>
Total . . . . .		\$ 15 844.74

MINUTES APPROVED:

Sept 10 - 1924

E. L. Powell President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees Wednesday, September 10, 1924 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Dr. Rauch, Father Schuhmann, Mr. Thruston and the Librarian. Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill and Mayor Quin were reported out of the city. Mr. Heyburn telephoned at the last minute asking to be excused and Dr. Mullins and Mr. Ossmann had signified their intention to be present but did not come. In the absence of President Quin, Vice-President Powell occupied the Chair.

The minutes of the regular June 11 meeting were read, and after correction that reads "the lease has been recorded" was changed to read "will be recorded," upon motion were approved.

There was no regular meeting of the Board on July 9 because of lack of quorum in the city. Upon motion the action of the Executive Committee authorizing the payment of bills was approved.

There was no regular meeting of the Board on August 13 because of lack of quorum in the city. Upon motion the action of the Executive Committee in paying bills and authorizing the Treasurer to borrow money beginning September 1, 1924 from time to time as necessary to pay pay rolls and current maintenance bills was approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter of June 17, 1924 from Louisville Trust Company, signed F. W. Gates, Treasurer. Mr. Gates writes that they have always placed stamps on library notes at the rate of two cents per \$100 under the old law and that under this law we are not exempt from taxes, but we are exempt under the new law which became effective July 2, 1924 and that no stamps have been charged against us since that date.  
Mr. Barker stated that we were exempt under the old as well as the new law. Upon motion the Librarian was instructed to claim what had been paid for stamps this fiscal year, but that if any question arose not to press it.
- b. Letter of July 1, 1924 from Mayor Quin. Mayor Quin writes that Mrs. E. M. Jones, 142 Wentworth Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky (Highland Park), with a committee, wishes to appear before the Library Board to ask for a Branch Library at Highland Park.  
The Librarian stated that Mrs. Jones had been advised of this meeting and asked to appear before it. Dr. Powell asked if the committee were present, if so to ask them in but Mrs. Jones and her committee

did not report.

- c. Letter of August 6, 1924 from Miss Eliza McGrum Barnett, 335 N. Lorain Avenue, Wichita, Kansas (Louisville address, c/o Mrs. George Nicholas, Warwick Villa, Ky.) Miss Barnett offers as an unconditional loan to the library a portrait of her grandfather, Philip Rootes Gray. Miss Barnett claims this portrait is a Jowett. She writes that her grandfather was born in 1791 and came to Louisville with his father and numerous sisters and brothers in 1798 from Culpepper, Va., St. Marks Parish. She says her grandfather helped organize Christ Church Parish, Cave Hill Cemetery and Bank of Kentucky and was director of the bank 1845-47 (See letter of August 6 on file).

Upon motion this loan was accepted with the usual conditions of loans.

- d. Letter of August 11, 1924 from Arthur A. Will, Acting Mayor, appointing Mr. A. C. Thompson of the Audit Company Universal to make examination of the accounts and to audit the books of the library for the year ending August 31, 1924. The Librarian stated that Mr. Thompson had completed this work and had submitted a copy of his report to the Mayor, the Treasurer and the Secretary. The Secretary's copy is attached to the report of the Finance Committee, which will be presented by Mr. Barker, Chairman.

- e. Letter of August 12, 1924 from F. Kermode, Director, Provincial Museum, Victoria, B. C. Mr. Kermode writes that he has seen the work being done by Mr. Pop, mounting 3 specimens Rocky Mountain goats (gift to the library by Mr. Brent Altsheler) and that they are ready for shipment. Copy of this letter has been given to Mr. Altsheler and he reports that he has instructed that this shipment be made to the library and he will pay all expenses of delivery, etc.

Although the offer of this gift was accepted at a previous Board meeting, upon motion the Librarian was instructed to thank Mr. Altsheler again for the gift, when the specimens are received.

The following resignations were read and upon motion accepted:

1. Mary E. Howard, under date of August 26, 1924 to take effect September 1. Miss Howard came to us through our training class of 1919 and has been serving in the Circulation and Catalog Departments.
2. Mildred B. Hoar, under date of August 28, 1924 to take effect September 1. Miss Hoar came to us through our training class of 1922 and has been serving in the Children's Department, but leaves us to take charge of the Public Library at Salem, Indiana.
3. June L. Shafer, under date of August 29, 1924 to take effect September 1. Miss Shafer came to us through our training class of 1922. She has been serving in the Order Department but leaves to take the position of private secretary to Mr. William Belknap.
4. Ann M. Hafendorfer, under date of September 6, 1924 to take effect

September 15, Miss Hafendorfer has been connected with the library since October 1918, serving in the Order Department. She resigns to be married.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

September 10, 1924

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report for the year, which corresponds with the audit of the expert accountant, is submitted herewith showing cash balance on September 1, 1924 of sixteen cents (16¢).

Although there is a balance of 16¢ reported there is really a deficit of \$2,999.84, with July and August bills amounting to \$3,713.00 not paid.

In arranging the budget for the year the city was asked for \$119,706.90 but we were allowed \$116,280.94. The report shows that the library received \$110,614.27 from city taxes, or \$5,666.67 less than anticipated. It was necessary to ask Kaufman-Straus Company for advance payment of September rent, \$3,000.00, usually paid on the tenth of the month.

The Treasurer's report and the expert accountant's report are submitted herewith as part of this report.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BALKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's annual report for the fiscal year was read as follows:

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1924

The report of the Librarian of the Louisville Free Public Library for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1924, shows an increase in circulation of books and reference work.

There are 447 centers for the circulation of books in 228 buildings in Louisville and Jefferson County. The circulation of books was 1,259,928 volumes, an increase of 45,046. The report of circulation does not include the books used in reference work and read at the tables at the Main library and branches. No attempt is made to keep a record of the number of times a volume is read when it is taken out of the building.

BOOKS IN LIBRARY There are 258,385 volumes in the Library, a net increase of 10,348. There were 16,717 volumes added by purchase, binding and gift, and 6,369 discarded. The volumes circulated on an average of 4.87 times.

BOOKS CATALOGED There were 19,052 volumes cataloged, an increase of 3,947. This makes a total of 364,398 books cataloged since the opening of the Library. Of the volumes cataloged during the year 2,440 were for the high school libraries.

BORROWERS There were 10,789 borrowers registered during the year. This

makes a total of 58,732 citizens of Louisville and Jefferson County registered users of the Library, a net increase of 1,092. This does not include many children using books in classroom collections, and many readers using books in the stations. The registration shows that 55,974 borrowers are living within the city limits, or that 21.7 per cent of the population of Louisville (257,671) according to the U. S. Census Bureau estimate of July 1, 1923, are availing themselves of public library privileges.

USE OF BOOKS The total circulation of books was 1,259,928 volumes, an increase of 45,046. This includes 749,567 books read by adults and 510,361 by children. The report shows that 1,211,003 volumes were used by readers within the city limits. This was a circulation of 4.69 volumes per capita.

REFERENCE WORK There were 131,549 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 17,179. There was the usual use of the Reference books by children of the public, parochial, and private schools and students of the University of Louisville, Conservatory of Music, Louisville School of Art, and the Baptist and Presbyterian Theological Seminaries, with a continued increased use by business men and manufacturers.

CHILDRENS WORK There was a circulation of 510,361 volumes read by children, an increase of 15,024. This was 40.5 per cent of the total circulation. There were 4,499 more important questions asked and topics looked up in reference work in the Children's room. There were 14,479 pictures circulated, an increase of 2,336. The records show a continued increase in the use of the material available by teachers and parents.

STATIONS There are 102 stations for the circulation of books in Louisville and Jefferson County placed for the convenience of readers, an increase of 2. There were 37,321 volumes used in the work. These books continued to do more than double work as the collections were changed at intervals during the year. The circulation of books was 96,236 volumes.

BRANCH LIBRARIES There are 13 branch libraries including the 3 high schools and 1 normal school. The total circulation of books was 679,187 volumes, an increase of 46,967. This was 53.9 per cent of the total circulation. This includes 413,051 books read by adults and 266,136 by children. There are 86,758 volumes available for public use, an increase of 3,990. These volumes circulated on an average of 6.73 times during the year. There were 101,134 more important questions asked and topics looked up, an increase of 13,506.

COLORED DEPARTMENT There are 76 centers for the circulation of books for home use in 48 buildings in Louisville and Jefferson County for colored readers. This includes 2 Carnegie branch buildings, 18 stations, and 56 classroom collections in 26 school buildings. There are 24,436 volumes in the department, an increase of 608. The circulation of books was 121,774 volumes, an increase of 4,522. This was 9.66 per cent of the total circulation. This includes 44,462 books read by adults and 77,312 by children. There were 8,623 more important questions asked and topics looked up.

JEFFERSON COUNTY There are 160 centers for the circulation of books for home use in 95 buildings in Jefferson County outside of the city of Louisville, an increase of 5 centers. The circulation of books was 48,925 or 3.88 per cent of the total circulation. This includes 17,713 books read by adults and 31,212 by children. No separate record is kept of books borrowed from the Main library and



branches by county residents.

BLIND READERS Books in embossed type for the blind were loaned free of all cost to readers in Kentucky and other states. There are 775 volumes in the collection. During the year 11 volumes were added and 33 discarded, making a total of 808 in the collection since the beginning of the Library. The circulation for home use was 942 volumes, an increase of 530.

MUSEUM The library museum continued to be a popular visiting place. The registration shows 20,160 visitors. There were some valuable additions by gift during the year.

STAFF There were a number of resignations from the staff. Assistants leaving for better salaries elsewhere made it necessary to continue the use of substitutes.

FINANCES The Treasurer's report shows that the Library received from all sources \$165,571.52 as follows: City taxes \$110,614.27, Jefferson County \$10,000.00, fines, lost books, etc., \$5,956.44, rent \$39,000.00, and balance on hand 81 cents. The total expenditures were \$165,571.36.

Although there is a balance of 16 cents reported, there is really a deficit of \$2,999.84, with many August bills unpaid.

In arranging the budget for the year, the city was asked for \$119,706.90 for library purposes. We were allowed \$116,280.94, but received only \$110,614.27, or \$5,666.67 less than anticipated. It was necessary to ask Kaufman-Straus Company for advance payment of September rent \$3,000.00, usually paid on the tenth of the month.

MAINTENANCE The cost of maintenance was \$145,010.95. The accounts were: books \$25,267.30, expense \$8,725.66, pay roll \$93,551.80, light and power \$3,522.84, heat \$7,442.92, furniture and fixtures \$505.36, repairs and improvements \$3,508.04, insurance \$1,291.55, and interest on loans \$1,165.47. To the maintenance account was added the interest on mortgage \$15,560.41, and retiring principal \$5,000.00, total \$20,560.41, making a total expenditure of \$165,571.36 for the year.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES The Mayor reappointed Dr. Charles R. Hemphill, Mr. Thomas A. Barker and Rabbi Joseph Rauch for a term of four years beginning April 1.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Librarian

September 9, 1924

Upon motion this was accepted and ordered filed and the Librarian authorized to print the usual number of copies for exchange with other libraries, etc.

The Librarian's recommendations, approved by the Library Committee, upon motion were approved as follows:

The Librarian reported that there were 41 applications (36 white and 5 colored)

for the training class examination, which was held Friday June 13, 1924, but that only 22 (19 white and 3 colored) reported for the examination. The following 19 reported at the Main library:

Adams, Mrs. Ruby School	73.4
-Crawford, Ethel Marie	75
-Crutcher, Annette Vreeland	78.6
-Derksen, Rosetta Pearl	87.9
-Eads, Mary Pauline	84
-Foster, Caroline Trapnell	58
-Gilligan, Margaret Elizabeth	85
-Hess, Jean Anne	85.2
-Houston, Eunice Edith	80.5
-Hull, Florence Gaither	61.2
Lindsey, Lucille Ordilla	60.3
-Miller, Beatrice Cicil	82.3
Mitchell, Anna Virginia	84.5
Mitchell, Inez	73.6
Schmidt, Mary Josephine	79.4
-Veirs, Martha Frances	76
-Wedekind, Margaret Jeanette	59.3
Yates, Mrs. Ruth White	72.6
-Young, Margaret Moore	83.9

and the following 3 at the Western Colored Branch:

Blackburn, Mrs. Elizabeth	78
Jetton, Norma	51
Winlock, Alyce Elizabeth	50.5

They passed a satisfactory examination and later were individually interviewed as to their desire to enter library training. The following young ladies (13 white) signified their desire to take the training (September-February). They began work September 2:

Crawford, Ethel Marie  
 Crutcher, Annette Vreeland  
 Derksen, Rosetta Pearl  
 Eads, Mary Pauline  
 Foster, Caroline Trapnell  
 Gilligan, Margaret Elizabeth  
 Hess, Jean Anne  
 Houston, Eunice Edith  
 Hull, Florence Gaither  
 Miller, Beatrice Cicil  
 Veirs, Martha Frances  
 Wedekind, Margaret Jeanette  
 Young, Margaret Moore

Upon motion this was approved.

The 3 colored women are willing to begin training in the Colored Department when we are able to take care of them.

The Librarian reported that there were six names on the eligible list

for work in the Colored Department, who are pressing us for appointment or substitute work, that we are not able to take care of.

The Librarian stated that he could use every one in positions out of the city, paying better than the city positions, but since they are married their husbands refuse to let them go.

For this reason, upon motion it was approved that the colored training class be dispensed with this year. The question of what we will do after January 1, 1925 to be considered later.

The following young ladies on the eligible list, upon motion were appointed to the staff, as of September 1, to be assigned by the Librarian. They have been used continuously as substitutes since they finished their training:

Blair, Ina Belle  
 Brown, Katie May  
 Burrell, Patricia  
 \* Dearing, May Elsie  
 Evers, Thekla Catherine  
 Potts, Emily Belle  
 Rosenberger, Cornelia Boone  
 Rosenberger, Susan Kay  
 Smith, Leone Margaret  
 Tobe, Marcella Antoinette  
 Walker, Frances Bellis

\* McIntyre, Elnora (colored)

Miss Dearing, upon recommendation of the Librarian, has been appointed an assistant at the Girls High School Library, and Miss Elnora McIntyre (colored) has been appointed Librarian at the Central Colored High School, both to be paid by the Board of Education.

Miss Edna Grauman, Librarian at the Boys High School, paid by the Board of Education, has been granted leave of absence to attend New York State Library School and Mr. Hartley has called on the Librarian for a substitute during her absence. Miss Jessie M. Taylor, Branch Librarian at Parkland Branch, has been transferred to the Boys High School, to be paid by the Board of Education, Miss Loraine Morris transferred from the Shelby Park Branch to Parkland Branch, and Miss Marguerite Terrell from the Highland Branch to Shelby Park Branch, as Acting Branch Librarian covering this period.

These assignments were mutually agreed upon before they were made. This will give us a chance to try out an exchange of Branch Librarians.

The Librarian's report for August showing an expenditure of \$12,907.94 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$7,256.09, voucher No. 1, checks Nos. 1-91 inclusive, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid September 1. This leaves a balance of \$5,651.85, voucher No. 2, checks Nos. 92-206 inclusive to be paid:

American Child Health Association	\$	5.00
American Library Association		8.42
American Multigraph Sales Company		38.03
American Prison Association		3.00

A. J. Anderson	12.75
Arctic Ice Company	30.95
Audit Company Universal	100.00
Audubon Publishing Company	12.00
Samuel L. Avery and Company	14.10
Baker and Taylor Company	8.64
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	8.62
Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.	22.73
Wolf Blitz Glass Co.	4.90
Bomar-Summers Hardware Co.	1.09
Booker & Kinnaird	77.55
R. R. Bowker Co.	22.57
Brakmeier Brothers	23.40
Brentano's	9.01
Breuer & Co.	35.20
Burkley & Tierney	45.83
Carpenter and Dudley	35.25
Carter Dry Goods Company	22.01
Childers Electric Company	51.16
F. A. Clegg and Company	112.07
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	60.25
Danforth and Company	7.05
H. V. Davis and Company	7.05
Dodd, Mead and Company	52.65
K. Dreher Hardware Company	3.00
R. O. Dusch	7.85
E. P. Dutton and Company	18.31
Eugene B. Dye	4.50
Electric Blue Print and Supply Co.	4.00
Falls City Buggy Top Company	1.75
F. W. Faxon Company	1.56
Geo. G. Fetter Company	5.85
J. W. Fischer	7.70
S. F. Fitch	2.75
Gaylord Brothers	225.80
Gibbs-Inman Company	32.50
J. M. Grant	8.00
Kammer Printing & Office Supply Co.	11.35
Henry Heick Hardware Company	10.48
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Walter S. Houghton	5.00
Jos. Hubbuck Sr. & Sons	29.50
Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff	2.00
Hummel & Meyer	35.25
H. R. Huntting Co.	32.29
Sam M. Huston	70.50
Jefferson, Noyes and Embry	70.50
R. Jeunesse	6.80
Kaufman-Straus Co.	86.37
Kee Lox Mfg. Co.	1.50
Kelly Publishing Co.	12.50
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	1,288.65
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind	17.15
J. C. Kirchdorfer	2.25

C. A. Knollenberg	12.50
Herman C. Korfhage	6.50
Wm. C. Krauth Electric Co.	17.08
Charles A. Lang	70.40
Henry H. Lang	70.50
Lencke & Buechner	4.69
Liberty Fire Insurance Co.	35.25
Library Bureau	1.20
N. Liebschutz	10.00
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Longmans, Green & Co.	112.04
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	100.20
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Paper Co.	5.20
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
John P. Morton & Co.	297.13
Anna Blanche McGill	20.81
Mayes Printing Co.	9.50
Meffert Equipment Co.	30.35
Edw. J. Miller & Co.	70.50
Milliken Battery Service Co.	1.50
Mississippi Valley Historical Association	5.00
Mitchell Bros.	2.60
Moellmann & Hennessy	7.05
Mueller-Metzner Co.	10.00
C. A. Nichols Publishing Co.	14.40
Opportunity	3.75
Otis Elevator Company	14.00
Patterson's American Educational Directory	4.80
Pirtle, Weaver & Menefee	7.05
C. S. Pratt	2.89
Allen M. Reager	20.79
Reisert Insurance Agency	70.50
Reutlinger & Co.	16.20
Rudd Mfg. Co.	5.12
W. K. Stewart Co.	213.79
Porter Sargent	4.50
Schwarz, Clifford & Scott	25.79
Charles Scribner's Sons	150.21
George T. Settle, Librarian - Petty Cash	44.00
Short's Tire Service	4.39
J. E. Sikking & Bro.	133.40
J. B. Slaughter & Co.	22.43
T. Grant Slaughter	101.35
Southeastern Paper Co.	52.93
Standard Oil Co.	18.88
Standard Printing Co.	54.00
Stith and Harris	42.30
Stone and Gnau	14.10
E. S. Tachau & Sons	70.50
Tippett, Walker and Cronan	70.50
J. M. Todd & Co.	70.50

U. S. Rag and Metal Co.	64.19
G. Broes Van Dort Company	4.00
Viglioni and Langen	70.50
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	87.42
H. W. Wilson Co.	378.30
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	5 651.85
Pd) George T. Settle, Librarian - Pay Roll	7 256.09
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	\$ 12 907.94

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Oct 8-1914

Mustard President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees Wednesday, October 8, 1924 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Dr. Mullins, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Pflingst, Dr. Powell, Mayor Quin, Father Schuhmann, Mr. Thruston and the Librarian, with President Quin in the chair. Mrs. Abbott was reported ill and Dr. Rauch unable to attend.

The minutes of the regular September meeting were read and upon motion approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Librarian's letter of October 3 to Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co., as follows:

Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.  
Third and Broadway  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

The question of the renewal of our contract with you for heat will be considered at the next meeting of the Library Board on Wednesday October 8.

The original contract was for ten years from November 1, 1907 at a cost of \$2,296.00 in seven payments of \$328.00 each. It was renewed for two years, November 1, 1917 at \$4,190.00, seven payments of \$598.58 each. It was later renewed for three years, November 1, 1919 at \$5,343.25, seven payments of \$763.32 each, at which price it is now.

We have the same number of feet of radiation that we had originally and there is very little cost to Weissinger-Gaulbert to furnish this additional heat and coal has gone down to such a price that we feel the figure should be reduced.

Please advise us your conditions before October 8.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

GTS/S

Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Company's reply of October 7, 1924

Mr. Geo. T. Settle, Sec'y & Librarian,  
Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

Your letter 3rd inst., duly received. The contract with the Library can be renewed on the same basis as the contract expiring

November 1, 1924.

We are now paying more for coal than we have previously and conditions generally have not admitted any consideration of reducing the charge.

Respectfully,  
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.  
By (Signed) H. WIRGMAN  
Manager

The question was asked if there was any possible chance of making a contract with the Brown Hotel or elsewhere. The Librarian had seen the Brown Hotel but they are not able to take care of us. Upon motion the Librarian was authorized to renew this contract for another year.

- b. Letter of October 7, 1924 from Mrs. Rudolph W. Reichart, 4470 Park Boulevard, Louisville. Mrs. Reichart is Secretary of the Highland Park Civic League. She writes that a committee will wait on the Board asking for a branch library at Highland Park. This committee (Mrs. J. S. Lutz, Mrs. E.M. Jones, Mrs. J.D. Augustus, and Mrs. John Schlafer) was admitted. Two of the ladies spoke of the desirability of a branch library at Highland Park and asked if we were in a position to promise to maintain a library if they furnished the site and funds to erect a building. Upon motion this action was deferred until the question of the budget for the year is decided, in December.

The Librarian stated that Miss Ellen Pope Galt had loaned to the library on September 2, 1923, two portraits and a tapestry (Record book 5, page 23). Miss Galt left these pictures as an indefinite loan when she went to California to reside, but she has returned and asks for the return of the loan.

Upon motion the Librarian is authorized to deliver these pictures upon receipt of the written request for our files and minutes.

The following gifts were announced:

1. By will of Mrs. Mary K. Grant (widow of W.T. Grant) 421 W. Broadway:
  - 1 Japanese sword (Hari Kari)
  - 1 Moors sword, 1832
  - 1 Scotch hunting kit (sword, dagger, powder horn, etc.)
  - Mounted tarpon
  - Portrait of W. T. Grant
2. Very old German violin in case, by Mr. Julius Kesten, c/o Geo. G. Fetter Company. Mr. Kesten says this violin was brought to Louisville by his grandfather, Daniel Kesten, whose name appears in the 1838 city directory.
3. Three white mountain goats, by Mr. Brent Althseler. This gift has been previously recorded but the specimens have just been received.

Upon motion these gifts were accepted.

The Librarian announced that the South Eastern Library Association will meet in Asheville, N. C. October 16, 17 and 18. We had invited the



South Eastern to meet in Louisville but Asheville was chosen by a majority of two votes. Upon motion the Librarian is to represent the Board at this meeting and to renew the invitation to come to Louisville for the next meeting.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

October 8, 1924

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance on October 1, 1924 of \$1,485.81 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$4,485.81.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and ordered filed.

The Chairman of the Finance Committee stated that he wanted the members of the Finance Committee to get together just as soon as possible to consider figures for the budget. The Librarian stated that the Building and Library Committees had considered figures for the accounts they pass on and these figures are ready for the Finance Committee. The Chairman of the Finance Committee stated that an insurance man told him we were not carrying enough insurance on our buildings as was required by the 80% clause in our library buildings and the 90% clause in Kaufman-Straus building. The Librarian stated that the Building Committee's attention had been called to this at their meeting today. Upon motion this was referred to the Building Committee.

The Librarian's report for September was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 88,487 volumes, an increase of 11,007 as compared to the same month last year. This is the largest circulation for September in the history of the library. There were 57,348 volumes circulated to adults and 31,139 to children, fifty per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 8,682 more important questions asked and topics looked up in reference work at the Main library and branches. There were 1,010 new borrowers registered and 1,869 visitors to the Museum. There were 554 volumes added to the library and 1,539 volumes cataloged.

The bids for subscriptions (Faxon \$2,198.50, Franklin \$2,170.55, Goldberger,

\$2,121.68) were submitted to the Library Committee and the Library Committee in turn referred them to the Board.

Upon motion the Librarian was instructed to write Franklin and Goldberger, agents, for names of some of the libraries they are serving and to then write these libraries regarding the service the agencies are rendering. Upon motion this was approved and the Librarian given power to act on what he considered the lowest and best bid.

The letter signed by four heads of departments (Misses Flexner, Bell, Cochran, and Fullerton) which had been read to the Library Committee, was referred to the Board. It was the general sense of all present that salaries of the staff should be increased but that those members of the staff not receiving a living wage should be considered first and the others if the city gave us sufficient funds to take care of them.

The Librarian's report for September 1924 showing an expenditure of \$10,194.21 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll \$7,782.81, voucher No. 3, checks Nos. 207-307 inclusive, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid October 1. This leaves a balance of \$2,411.40, voucher No. 4, checks Nos. 308-375 inclusive to be paid:

William Abbatt	\$	5.50
Arctic Ice Company		27.45
American Concrete Institute		8.00
American Library Association		1.88
American Multigraph Sales Co.		8.81
American Printing House for the Blind		2.17
A. J. Anderson		145.29
Clara L. Behrens, Order Dept.		7.02
Wolf Blitz Glass Co.		8.50
R. R. Bowker Co.		4.00
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.		4.47
Canadian Review Co.		8.29
Childers Electric Co.		11.95
Civic Opinion		1.00
Arthur H. Clark Co.		12.50
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.		60.25
R. O. Dusch		16.50
Electric Blue Print and Supply Co.		2.00
Embry Box Co.		9.50
F. W. Faxon Co.		2.00
Geo. G. Fetter Co.		2.15
J. W. Fischer		2.60

Gaylord Bros.	20.75
J. N. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Co.	18.48
Harcourt, Brace and Co.	1.35
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Carl T. Hoppe	17.50
H. R. Huntting Co.	20.25
Kaufman-Straus Co.	71.40
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	562.90
J. C. Kirchdorfer	1.50
Klein Bros.	2.50
Wm. C. Krauth Electric Co.	9.61
Kee Lox Mfg. Co.	1.50
Lampton, Crane and Ramey Co.	12.15
Library Bureau	87.38
H. Liebschutz	24.25
Lodenkemper Bros.	2.60
Longmans, Green and Co.	96.94
Long's Towel Supply Co.	9.00
Louisville Chemical Co.	42.84
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	116.17
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
John P. Morton and Co.	9.35
Meffert Equipment Co.	3.50
Anna Blanche McGill	11.80
Macmillan Co.	93.10
Macmillan Co.	7.00
Miller Paper Co.	24.46
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
J. V. Reed and Co.	10.00
Remington Typewriter Co.	9.00
Rogers Church Goods Co.	29.20
W. K. Stewart Co.	231.61
Schwarz, Clifford and Scott	22.28
George T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	59.54
W. R. Seestadt	18.65
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	18.88
Southeastern Paper Co.	32.00
Short's Tire Service	29.87
Tranco Envelope Co.	21.75
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	101.58
Prince Wells Co.	2.05
Westinghouse Technical Night School	2.11
Albert Whitman and Co.	128.57
Williams and Wilkins Co.	1.75
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	2 411.40
Pd) George T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	7 782.81
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Total . . . . . \$ 10 194.21

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no unfinished or new business to consider, upon motion the Board

adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Nov. 12, 1924

Houston Lee President  
Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday, November 12, 1924 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Mr. Heyburn, Dr. Pflingst, Dr. Powell, Mayor Quin, Dr. Rauch, Mr. Thruston and the Librarian, with President Quin in the Chair. Dr. Hemphill was reported out of the city, Dr. Mullins and Father Schuhmann unable to attend and there was no word from Mr. Ossman.

The minutes of the regular October 8 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

On call for reading and consideration of communications the Secretary reported there were none.

The Librarian reported gifts as follows, which, upon motion, were accepted and the Librarian instructed to send a letter of thanks in the name of the Board:

1. Scrap book, compiled by the Hon. Ben Johnson, Bardstown, Ky., containing photostat copies of Congressional Acts and other official documents relating to the paintings and church furniture presented by Louis Philippe to Bishop Benedict Joseph Flaget for the use of St. Joseph's Catholic Church at Bardstown, Ky.
2. Marble statue of a woman and pedestal, and 176 volumes, which had belonged to Mrs. William Culbertson, who died July 1924, through Mrs. J. W. E. Bayly, 1332 Fourth Avenue.

The Librarian announced that Mr. I. W. Bernheim, Anchorage, Kentucky, offers as a loan to the library, several paintings in oil and water color, varying in size from 2 x 3 to 6 x 8 feet, and that Mr. Alfred Selligman, attorney for Mr. Bernheim, was in the anti-room and wished to appear before the Board.

The Librarian reported that he had had Miss Fullerton and Miss Behrens, Heads of Departments, visit Mr. Bernheim's home, upon Mr. Bernheim's request that someone see the pictures to pass judgment on their value for public exhibition, and that these ladies pronounced them well worth while. The Librarian stated that Mr. Bernheim wanted to lend them to the Louisville Free Public Library for public good, to hold until an art institute (where art is taught) is established and endowed in Louisville, when we are to turn them over to said institute. The Librarian stated that our walls are filled now with loans but that we are encouraging the withdrawal of loans to make room for gifts.

At this point Mr. Selligman was admitted. Mr. Selligman said that Mr. Bernheim wished to present to the library some paintings in water color and oil and other art material, to be exhibited to the public. He desired this gift to be passed on to an art institute (where art is taught) if one is ever established and endowed in Louisville, but that it would be left to the Library Board as to whether they would do this or not.

The President remarked that it would be a very dangerous contract un-

less well guarded by a written contract, that under such a contract the present art school or any other art schools that may be established might make a claim for the material.

Mr. Selligman replied that it would be left entirely with the Board as to whether the material would be surrendered or not.

With this understanding, upon motion, it was thought advisable to accept the gift.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

November 12, 1924

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance November 1, 1924 of \$5,361.48 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Kaufman-Straus building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$8,361.48.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and ordered filed.

Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Finance Committee, read the following report:

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Called meeting of the Finance Committee was held at 5 p.m. Monday, October 27, 1924 in the Librarian's Office.

Present: Barker, Hemphill, Pfingst, Rauch, and the Librarian.

The Committee met to consider and adopt budget for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 1924. The Librarian presented the budget figures as recommended by the Library and Building Committees which had been approved by these Committees and recommended to the Finance Committee at their meeting on October 8, 1924.

Upon motion, the following report was adopted:

To the Trustees: Your Finance Committee has considered the budget figures for 1924-25 and report as follows:

1) The Finance Committee reports that \$23,873.77 is necessary in payment of interest and retiring part of mortgage indebtedness, and the amount necessary to pay interest on bills payable is estimated at \$1,250.00. The other items are absolutely necessary and fixed. The Finance Committee budget figures are submitted herewith as part of this report, signed by Chairman of the Committee, and the Librarian.

2) The Building Committee reports \$7,576.33 as necessary. We are of the opinion that this cannot be reduced. In this sum of \$7,576.33 there is included \$3,576.33 for insurance policies. The Building Committee budget figures

are submitted herewith as part of this report, signed by Mr. Ossmann, Chairman of the Committee, Mrs. Abbott, Dr. Mullins, Mr. Thruston, members of the Committee, and the Librarian.

3) The Library Committee reports \$138,699.36 as necessary. Of this amount \$97,033 is for the pay roll. This includes several automatic increases as follows: five receiving \$65, increased to \$70, and five receiving \$75, increased to \$80. These increases to begin January 1, 1925, eight payments of this fiscal year. These increases are reasonable and fair. In considering salaries we recommend that no other increases be made other than automatic increases, but that automatic increases be made from \$60. to \$85. We believe that automatic increases ought to apply to employees drawing \$85. per month and under, such increases of course, being subject to recommendation of the Librarian. If this recommendation is approved by the Library Board, it will add \$280. to the pay roll. The Library Committee budget figures are submitted herewith as part of this report, signed by Dr. Powell, Chairman of the Committee, Mrs. Gamble, Father Schuhmann, and Mr. Heyburn, members of the Committee, and the Librarian.

4) At present the hours are  $40\frac{1}{2}$  per week except June, July and August when they are 39 hours. We recommend that the hours be changed to 42 hours per week during all the months beginning January 1, 1925.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

After some discussion and reading of letter from Dr. Hemphill, which follows, upon motion the recommendations of the Finance Committee were approved.

November 10th, 1924

Dear Mr. Barker:

On further reflection in regard to the recommendation by the Finance Committee that the hours of service for the employees of the Library should be increased, I have come to the opinion that it would not be wise to make this change at this time. I suppose all of us are agreed that their compensation, at least in most instances, is inadequate, and, no doubt, this is their own feeling in the matter. We know that some of them think they are entitled to an increase of salary and we are unable to do this at present. It seems a little unfair, as well as unwise, to decline an increase of compensation and, at the same time, to increase the amount of work. I believe your idea is that the change will, in the long run, be to the advantage of the employees, and add to their compensation. I fear, however, that the present effect would cause dissatisfaction; perhaps, I ought to say - that no one of the employees and in fact, nobody except yourself, in a casual remark the other day, has mentioned the matter to me. I am leaving the city tonight for an absence of some days and this is my reason for writing you. I dislike very much not to follow my chief - and to withdraw my support of the report in this particular.

With best regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) C. K. HEMPHILL

The adoption of the Finance Committee report carried with it the adoption of

the budget, which follows:

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

TO THE MAYOR, COMPTROLLER AND THE JOINT FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE  
BOARD OF ALDERMEN AND COUNCILMEN

Gentlemen:

The Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library submit budget figures showing receipts and expenditures necessary for the fiscal year September 1, 1924 - August 31, 1925 as follows:

Source of income	Revised	Necessary 1924 - 25	Receipts last year
City Taxes	\$ 121,021.25	\$ <del>123,921.00</del>	\$ 110,614.27
Jefferson County		10,000.00	10,000.00
Fines, lost books, etc.		5,500.00	5,956.44
Rents (K. S. building)		33,000.00	39,000.00
Balance		.16	.81
<b>TOTAL</b>	\$ 169,522.04	\$ <del>172,421.16</del>	\$ 165,571.52
Expenditure accounts		Necessary 1924- 25	Spent last year
Expense		\$ 7,290.76	\$ 8,725.66
Heat		7,500.00	7,442.93
Light, Power		3,600.00	3,552.84
Books	29,285.18	<del>25,237.30</del>	25,267.30
Pay Roll	97,393.00	<del>97,313.00</del>	93,551.80
Repairs and Improvements		3,500.00	3,508.04
Furniture and Fixtures		500.00	505.36
Insurance		3,576.33	1,291.55
Interest on loans		1,250.00	1,165.47
	\$ 146,893.57	\$ <del>149,797.39</del>	\$ 145,010.95
Special			
Appraisal and interest		2,338.36	
Interest on mortgage		15,285.41	15,560.41
Retiring mortgage		5,000.00	5,000.00
		<u>22,623.77</u>	<u>20,560.41</u>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	\$ 169,522.04	\$ <del>172,421.16</del>	\$ 165,571.36

\* See page 178

We should have not less than \$123,921. from city taxes this year, or \$13,306.73 more than received last year. Our budget last year called for \$119,706.90 from city taxes. We received \$110,614.27 or \$9,092.63 less. This necessitated having an extra month's rent advanced from Kaufman-Straus Company (\$3,000.) and in addition the holding up of July and August bills, to be paid this fiscal year. The total value of assessable property not being available we are unable to say what rate will produce amount needed.

This increase is necessary to take care of 1) increase in salaries \$3,761.20; 2) insurance policies due last year paid this year \$1,228.70; 3) cost of appraisal;

\$2,338.36; 4) repairs necessary on pointing stone work Main library and other buildings; 5) deficit - rent advanced \$3,000., etc.

These accounts have been carefully considered by the Building, Library and Finance Committees, and upon recommendation have been approved by the Library Board.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Secretary and Librarian

(Signed) HUSTON QUIN  
President

Chairman Finance Committee

12 November 1924

The Librarian's report for October was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 125,232 volumes, an increase of 10,220 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 70,502 volumes were circulated to adults and 54,730 to children, a little less than fifty-one per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 1,531 new borrowers registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 20,559 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There were 2,395 visitors to the Civics Room and 2,859 to the Museum. There were 1,759 volumes added during the month and 2,392 volumes cataloged.

The Library Committee met Wednesday, October 8, 1924 at 4:30 p.m. in the Librarian's office. Present: Dr. Powell, Chairman, Father Schuhmann, Mr. Heyburn and Mrs. Gamble, with Dr. Powell presiding. The committee met to consider the recommendations of the Librarian on the accounts the Library Committee recommends annually to the Finance Committee for the budget.

Before the work of the Committee was finished the regular Board went into session and the matter was taken up by the Committee after the adjournment of the Board, with Mr. Heyburn presiding, Dr. Powell having been excused before the Board adjourned.

The Librarian's recommendations calling for \$7,290.76 for expense, Main and branches, \$7,500.00 heat, Main and branches; \$3,600.00 light, power, Main and branches, book account, Main and branches \$23,245.60 and pay roll, Main and branches



\$97,033.00, a total of \$138,669.36 were submitted. The report shows that \$138,540.53 was spent for the same accounts last year.

Upon motion this was approved and signed by the three members of the committee who remained (Mr. Heyburn, Father Schuhmann and Mrs. Gamble) and later by Dr. Powell.

The Building Committee met Wednesday, October 8, 1924 at 4:30 p.m. in the Librarian's Secretary's office. Present: Mr. Ossmann, Chairman, Dr. Mullins, and Mr. Thruston, with Mr. Ossmann presiding. The Librarian was engaged with the Library Committee and Miss Behrens, Head of the Order Department, met with the Committee.

The Librarian's recommendations calling for \$3,500.00 for repairs and improvements for Main and branches; Furniture and Fixtures, Main and branches \$500.00, and insurance, Main and branches \$3,576.33, a total of \$7,576.33 were submitted. We spent for the same accounts last year \$5,304.95. The increase is in insurance policies due this year.

Upon motion these recommendations were approved and signed by the three members present and recommended to the Finance Committee to be included in the budget for the fiscal year 1924-25.

The Building Committee also had two called meetings (October 13 and October 22) to consider the repairs and improvements on Kaufman-Straus building.

October 13, 1924

Building Committee, Board of Trustees, Louisville Free Public Library  
Present: Mr. Ossmann, Chairman, Dr. Mullins, Mr. Thruston and the Librarian

Resolved by the Building Committee, Board of Trustees, Louisville Free Public Library, that permission is hereby granted to the Kaufman-Straus Company, tenant of the Library Board in the building owned by the Board on Fourth Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky, to forthwith proceed with all repairs and alterations to the show windows and front of the building as shown on blue prints filed this date by Kaufman-Straus Company, and which said blue prints were prepared by Nevin, Wischmayer and Morgan, architects and engineers of Louisville, Kentucky, and further that all other repairs, alterations, extensions of the physical building as shown upon said blue prints may be made with consent of this Committee, acting with authority of the Board subject however, to the following conditions:

1) That the Kentucky Title Company shall be authorized to examine into the rights of this Board to grant permission for such use of the area way as is described by the Kaufman-Straus Company, and as more fully set forth on

said blue prints, and that no right be given to the Company to make use of said area ways unless the said Kentucky Title Company shall first state to the Librarian in writing that the Board has the legal right to grant permission for such use.

2) That the architect and engineer employed by this Board be instructed forthwith to make an examination of the plans proposed for alteration or extension of the physical building and that no rights are granted to the Kaufman-Straus Company to make such planned improvements as shown upon the blue prints unless said architect and engineer shall first state to the Librarian in writing that said improvements will not damage the building and are safe from an engineering and architectural standpoint.

That when and if such reports as provided in the restrictions one and two hereinabove recited are made to the Librarian and indicate that the Board has the legal right to make such use as is proposed of said area ways and that said alterations are safe from an engineering and architectural standpoint, that said Librarian be and he is hereby authorized in the name of the Committee, acting with the authority of the Board to grant request of the Kaufman-Straus Company for permission to make such alterations as proposed and as more fully set forth on blue prints.

Upon motion of Dr. Mullins, seconded by Mr. Thruston, this action was approved.

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Secretary and Librarian

(Signed) PHIL. OSSMANN  
Chairman Building Committee

Upon motion this action of the Building Committee was approved.

The following reports from Kentucky Title Company and Mr. O. P. Ward, architect and engineer, were received, and the Building Committee met on October 22 to consider these reports:

October 15, 1924

Building Committee to Louisville Free Public Library, Louisville, Kentucky.

Gentlemen: -

In pursuance of your application No. 60431, the Kentucky Title Company has investigated and reports as follows: -

There is no instrument of record in the County Clerk Office's of Jefferson County, Kentucky, in the devolution of the title to the lot of land hereinafter described, by virtue of which, or which indicates that, there is any right to, interest in, or use of said lot appurtenant to, or for the benefit of property adjoining said lot on the North or South, except as follows: -

FIRST: - The Polytechnic Society of Kentucky owned the lot hereinafter described, and also 30 feet, 10 inches adjoining it on the North, and by its deed dated October 14, 1897, and recorded on November 13, 1897, in Deed Book 493, page 234, in the office of the Clerk aforesaid, did convey to William Klein and John Klein the said 30 feet, 10 inches, describing the

Southern line thereof "as the center line of a wall common to the house on this lot and the house adjoining it on the South."

This language shows that the owner of said 30 feet, 10 inches has a right to the use and maintenance of said party wall located in part on the property hereinafter described.

This deed also provides as follows: -

"Whereas access cannot be had to the upper stories of the building on the land aforesaid save through the hall ways of the buildings adjoining it on the South, which buildings are owned by the first party, and whereas the pipes and connections furnishing drainage from, and gas and water to the building hereby conveyed, or some of them entered into or over the land aforesaid of first party, first party in consideration of \$35,000.00 paid as aforesaid, hereby grants to fourth parties as an appurtenance to the land herein conveyed the right to freely use the hall ways aforesaid for the purpose of ingress to and egress from the upper stories aforesaid, and to maintain and use such pipes and connections until such time as fourth parties shall so alter the building on the premises herein conveyed that the use of said hall ways shall be no longer necessary for such access and said pipes and connections shall be no longer necessary for the use of the building hereby conveyed. It is expressly provided and agreed that so long as the Polytechnic Society may hold and retain the buildings upon the ground which lies South of the land herein conveyed in their present condition, the said Polytechnic Society of Kentucky reserves the right to sell the ground South of the land herein conveyed, or to tear down the building now on said land, or to sell the land with the building, in which case the right of egress and ingress and the right to use and enjoy said pipes and connections shall cease and determine, but this with the express provision that in the event that such a thing is to be done and the right of ingress and egress herein mentioned and the use of said pipes and connections is to be discontinued, it shall not be done or discontinued or in any wise interfered with until after the expiration of four months notice which must be given unto fourth parties. This with the view of giving them four further months time within which to make their arrangements and preparations so as to dispense with the right of ingress and egress which is here given and the use of said pipes and connections."

The above provisions show that the owner of the said 30 feet and 10 inches has an easement on the lot hereinafter described as set out in said provisions and subject to them.

SECOND: - By an instrument which is dated August 1, 1900 and recorded on November 22, 1900 in Deed Book 546, page 203, in the aforesaid office, John and Elizabeth Klein, of the first part, agreed with the Polytechnic Society of Kentucky, of the second part, as follows: -

"1st. The first party is about to build an addition to and remodel its store building at Nos. 529 and 531 Fourth Avenue, Louisville, Ky. This property being the Northernmost 30 feet and 10 inches of the property formerly owned by second party, and the present South wall of the first party's property is also the North wall of second party's property. The South line of the first party's property, which is the North line of the party wall.

It is the purpose of the first party to extend this party wall back

to the alley on the East end.

2nd: The parties hereunto mutually agree that the said party line shall be the center line of the new party wall.

3rd: It is agreed between the parties that the first party shall furnish all materials and workmanship and erect said party wall at its own expense, and that should second party at any future time extend or remodel or build new on their property in such a manner as to utilize the new extension of the said wall, that the second party will pay to the first party one-half the cost of said party wall, or so much of it as it uses.

Said payment shall become due as soon as the structure erected by second party shall have become ready for occupancy."

This instrument creates an easement on the lot hereinafter described in favor of and appurtenant to the lot adjoining on the North.

The lot to which this report relates is thus described;

136 feet, 2 inches by 200 feet, to an alley, on the East side of Fourth Street, being 282 feet, 10 inches South of and parallel with Green Street; being the same conveyed to the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library by deed dated May 13, 1913, and recorded in Deed Book 782, page 631, in the office of the Clerk aforesaid.

Yours truly,

KENTUCKY TITLE COMPANY,

BY (Signed) GEORGE NICHOLAS  
ATTORNEY

GN:AAR

October 20th, 1924.

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

Dear Sir:-

In compliance with the resolution passed by the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library on October 13th, 1924, to examine plans prepared by Nevin, Wismeyer and Morgan, Architects and Engineers of Louisville, Ky., to see that certain alterations proposed and being made by the Kaufman-Straus Company to the show windows and building on Fourth Avenue do in no way injure the building, I herewith submit the following:-

In order not to delay my report any longer or interfere with the progress of the work I am submitting a report which is not quite complete due to the fact that the architects' plans are not entirely completed in

regard to certain details. However, it seems to me best to submit a report now and finish the balance of the inspection as soon as it can be done.

I have gone over the plans, conferred with Mr. Diebold, representing Nevin, Wischmeyer and Morgan, visited the building several times, and as far as I can see at this time the changes contemplated will in no way injure the safety of the building, as the bearing walls, piers and structural frame work of the building are not to be changed.

In looking over the plans I note one feature in regard to the new show windows on Fourth Street that seems to me to be an important one, and one which I have already reported to Mr. H. C. Ballard Thruston on October 17th. I refer to the new show windows which are being built out fifteen inches in front of the present building line. In order to try to get some definite information as to whether the Louisville Free Public Library could in any way be involved in a possible litigation or get into trouble in the future with the city, or anyone else on account of this encroachment upon the sidewalk I went to see the Building Inspector, then to the City Attorney, was referred by him to the Board of Public Works, whose secretary referred me to the City Engineer, who in turn referred me to a Title Company, and I ended up with an interview with Mr. Hardy of the Kentucky Title Company, without any very definite information, but enough for me to recommend that the Board of Trustees of the Public Library take whatever steps in their opinion they deem necessary to indemnify them against any possible liability in regard to these show windows.

As the Kaufman-Straus building has been built over fifteen years the sidewalk belongs to the City of Louisville, and therefore the Kaufman-Straus Company is building its show windows upon city property. The city may never raise any objection to this fact, but I would suggest that the Library have the property line of the Kaufman-Straus building on Fourth Street definitely located by Stonestreet and Ford, or some other capable surveyor, and then by letter to the Kaufman-Straus Company, bond or other means avoid any possibility of future liability.

The foundation walls in the new elevator pits and under the buildings adjoining the North and South light courts have to be underpinned, as the new excavations go below the present footings, but this should be no very difficult or hazardous operation.

On account of most of the original plans being lost or unavailable, and the new plans not quite completed there is not sufficient data in regard to the structural work in the light court walls and the new elevator shafts in penthouse for me to check or approve the proposed changes in the first story wall of the South light court, or the new elevator shafts. This work will, in all probability, be properly handled by Nevin, Wischmeyer and Morgan without danger to the safety of the building.

If you wish for me to do so, I will be glad to carry my investigation a little further in regard to these incomplete details, or if you do not, you can accept this as my final report.

Please advise me what your pleasure is in this regard.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) OSSIAN P. WARD

OPW:H

(See next page)

Following are the minutes of the Building Committee meeting, October 22, 1924.

BUILDING COMMITTEE  
October 22, 1924

There was a called meeting of the Building Committee in the Librarian's office, Wednesday October 22, 1924 at 5 p.m.

Present: Mr. Ossmann, Chairman, Mr. Thruston, Mrs. Abbott, of the Committee, Mr. William T. Baskett, Department Counsel, Mr. O. P. Ward, architect, and the Librarian. Dr. Mullins was reported out of the city.

The meeting was called to consider report of the Kentucky Title Company and report of Mr. Ward, architect, regarding repairs and improvements on the Kaufman-Straus building.

Mr. Baskett reported that the Kentucky Title Company report of October 15, 1924 to the Trustees contains no restriction against the closing and utilization of the areas or light courts now existing on both the north and south sides of the library property.

The letter of October 23, 1924, to Kaufman-Straus Company, attention of Mr. William G. Waterman (copy attached) is made part of these minutes.

October 23, 1924

Kaufman-Straus Company  
427 S. Fourth Avenue  
Louisville, Ky.

Attention:  
Mr. William G. Waterman

Gentlemen:

Upon the suggestion of Mr. William T. Baskett, Department Counsel, City Attorney's office, attorney for the Library Board, the Building Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library employed Mr. O. P. Ward, architect and engineer, to consider the repairs and improvements contemplated on the Fourth Avenue building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Company, with the understanding that no repairs would be permitted by the committee until after they had been approved by Mr. Ward. The Committee also employed (as suggested by Mr. Baskett) the Kentucky Title Company to make a report on our rights to utilize the areas or light courts on the north and south sides of the building, contemplated in your changes. At a meeting of the Building Committee Wednesday, October 22, in the Librarian's office, these reports were read and considered and upon motion the Librarian instructed to write you as follows:

Mr. Baskett reports that the Kentucky Title Company's report of October 15, 1924 to the Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library contains no restriction against the closing and utilization of the areas or light courts now existing on both the north and south sides of the Fourth Avenue library property, and that we are privileged to allow them to be used for additional floor space but with the following conditions: In making excavations within the areas or light courts now existing, any damage both to the library property or the adjoining property on the north or south sides of the library property, which may result, shall be assumed by the Kaufman-Straus Company and with the understanding that the Library Board of the Louisville Free Public Library shall be free from all damage or loss by reason of such excavations or alterations.

When Mr. Ward's report was read showing that all the plans and

PHOTO

see letter from T. Baskett, October 19, 1924

specifications were not ready for the alterations and stating that he could not make a full report until he had seen these plans and specifications to utilize the areas or light courts for additional floor space and changing elevators, the Librarian was instructed not to give permission to have these alterations and changes made until our architect is able to make a full report .

The attention of Kaufman-Straus Company is called to the fact that there may be, at some time, objection made by the city authorities to the utilization of the fifteen inches, more or less, to be occupied by the Fourth Avenue front show windows, such space projecting in front of the building proper. In using such fifteen inches, more or less, the Kaufman-Straus Company must assume all responsibility therefor and in case, at any time, the city authorities shall require the removal of such encroachment by changing the show windows no claim shall be made against the Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library by the Kaufman-Straus Company by reason of such enforced removal. In case it should become necessary to remove the show windows and replace same at a different location the expense thereof shall be borne by the Kaufman-Straus Company.

We have no right to grant any permission beyond the property line which the Library owns and we are not granting any such permission and therefore, should any question arise as to your rights to use these additional fifteen inches, more or less, you must assume all responsibilities, both as to construction, removal and any damage, etc. which may result.

Trusting that these conditions meet with your approval, I am

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

GTS/S

Upon motion the action of the Building Committee was approved.

The Librarian's report for October showing an expenditure of \$14,178.53 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$8,060.56, voucher No. 5, checks Nos. 376-477 inclusive, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid November 1. This also includes Voucher No. 7, to Herman Goldberger, \$2,110.68, for subscriptions for 1925. This leaves a balance of \$4,007.29, voucher No. 6, checks Nos. 478-552 inclusive to be paid:

American Library Association	\$ 4.79
American Multigraph Sales Co.	48.31
A. J. Anderson	380.59
Arctic Ice Co.	28.10
R. L. Babb	20.00
Baker and Taylor Co.	139.78
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	20.75
Bellknep Hardware & Mfg. Co.	12.74
G. Bittner's Sons	39.00

Bloom and Hermann	7.05
Booker and Kinnaird	7.05
R. R. Bowker Co.	20.30
Breckel Press	10.00
Childers Electric Co.	20.68
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	62.47
Oliver Ditson Company	6.30
E. O. Dusch	23.85
Elbert Coal Company	153.82
Electric Blue Print and Supply Co.	4.00
Embry Box Co.	23.75
George G. Fetter Co.	2.90
J. W. Fischer	2.70
Gaylord Brothers	9.90
J. N. Grant	8.00
Hammer Printing and Office Supply Company	5.55
Harcourt, Brace and Co.	1.80
H. L. Hayward	9.00
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	48.00
B. W. Huebsch	1.94
R. Jeunesse and Sons	15.40
Kaufman-Straus Co.	81.33
Kee Lox Mfg. Co.	2.25
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	578.50
Kentucky Tent and Awning Co.	8.00
Klein Brothers	2.50
Wm. C. Krauth Electric Co.	10.40
Larkin Paper Box Co.	22.12
Lodenkemper Brothers	2.50
Longmans, Green and Co.	47.69
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Gas and Electric Co.	136.03
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Paper Co.	14.50
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Anna Blanche McGill	11.38
Macmillan Co.	101.33
Macmillan Co.	23.65
Meffert Equipment Co.	2.50
Miller Paper Co.	35.99
Mitchell Brothers	2.60
John P. Morton and Co.	120.12
Mueller-Metzner Co.	20.00
National Association of Book Publishers	5.00
National Committee for the Prevention of Blindness	1.50
National Map Co.	6.59
National Safety Council	5.00
Otis Elevator Co.	25.22
Otte and Kennedy	10.15
Remington Typewriter Co.	9.00
George T. Settle, Libn. S.E.L.A. Expenses	63.40
George T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	68.30
J. E. Sikking and Bro.	14.20
Short's Tire Service	2.75
Southeastern Paper Co.	32.75
Standard Oil Co.	18.82



W. K. Stewart Co.	322.92
E. S. Tachau	24.68
H. C. Tafel Co.	1.50
Thomas Publishing Co.	10.75
A. J. Wallon and Son	7.41
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	937.32
Prince Wells Co.	5.80
Western Union Telegraph Co.	3.75
Who's Who Publications	9.32
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Herman Goldberger - Subscriptions, Main and branches 1925	2,110.68
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	6,117.97
Pd) George T. Settle, Libn. Pay roll	8,060.56
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Total . . . . .	\$ 14,178.53

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Dec 10 - 1924

Augustine President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday December 10, 1924  
in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Mayor Quin, Dr. Rauch and the Librarian, with President Quin in the chair. Dr. Mullins and Mr. Thruston were reported out of the city and Father Schuhmann unable to attend.

The minutes of the regular November 12 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

On call for reading and consideration of communications the Secretary read as follows:

- a. Librarian's letter of November 19, 1924 to Joseph E. Conkling, Department Counsel, as follows:

November 19, 1924

Mr. Joseph E. Conkling, Department Counsel  
City Hall  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Conkling:

I am enclosing postal card notice from Henry Bickel Company calling for payment of \$630.06 as our portion of warrant for extension of Fortieth Street from Boardway to Garland.

Are we required to pay this? If we are I should like you to answer for the benefit of the Library Board whether the Board of Education is required to pay similar charges. We have received such cards for street extensions and placing water plugs but only in the last year or two have had to pay them. If the Board of Education is exempt, this Library Board should be exempt also.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

GTS/S

Secretary and Librarian

Mr. Conkling replied on December 1, 1924 as follows:

December 1, 1924

Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Kentucky

Gentlemen:

Your communication of November 19th, 1924, concerning the pay-

ment of \$630.06 as your portion of warrant for extension of Fortieth Street from Broadway to Garland has been received by me.

Your question is: Are you required to pay this warrant? I have investigated the law concerning the payment of Apportionment Warrants by the School Board; and I find in the case of the City of Louisville against Leatherman, 99 Ky. 213, that the Court of Appeals decided the School Board was not liable for these Warrants, as all the money taken in by the School Board under the act creating the School Board should go for School purposes, and that the payment for the making of Streets was not for School purposes, and, therefore, the Board of Education would not be liable for Apportionment Warrants.

The law creating your Board says your money shall be used for Library purposes and for none other; it is, therefore, my opinion that you are not liable for Apportionment Warrants and that the City of Louisville will have to pay the warrants against your property.

It is further my opinion that your money would not be used for Library purposes, if you are required to pay Apportionment Warrants.

I have taken up this matter with Mr. Baskett, who rendered you an opinion about a year or so ago; and he now agrees with me in this opinion.

I am writing the Board of Public Works today directing them to draw vouchers to pay these warrants.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) JOS. E. CONKLING  
Departmental Counsel

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These letters were read for record in the minutes.

- b. Letter of December 3, 1924 from Mr. O. P. Ward, architect and engineer, as follows:

December 3rd, 1924

KAUFMAN-STRAUS STORE ALTERATIONS

Mr. George T. Settle,  
% Louisville Free Library  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:-

Your favor of even date just received and in reply to same, wish to say that some time yesterday afternoon revised and final blueprints of Sheets 7 and 8 of the alterations and additions to the Kaufman-Straus Store Building, this city, were received from the architects Nevin, Wischmeyer and Morgan.

I have looked over these plans and now believe that the construction in connection with the new elevator penthouse and hatches shown thereon has been satisfactorily taken care of on these revised plans. Therefore,

I suggest that the work shown on these drawing may be approved by the Louisville Free Public Library.

I wish to call your attention to the fact, however, that I have seen no specifications for this work and therefore am approving the plans as to design only. I am assuming that specifications and the carrying out of the work will be properly and adequately taken care of by the architects, Nevin, Wischmeyer and Morgan.

I believe that I have done all that I am authorized to by your Board in connection with these particular plans. There still remains the work in connection with the light court walls, the plans for which have not yet been submitted for approval.

Trusting that this is satisfactory, I am

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) OSSIAN P. WARD

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The Librarian sent the following letter to Kaufman-Straus Company and Nevin, Wischmeyer and Morgan on December 4, 1924.

December 4, 1924

Kaufman-Straus Company  
427 S. Fourth Avenue  
Louisville, Ky.

Attention:  
Mr. William G. Waterman

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing copy of letter from Mr. O. P. Ward, architect and engineer, dated December 3rd, 1924, received this afternoon, which explains itself. I am also sending copy to Nevin, Wischmeyer and Morgan.

I am writing you to avoid any unnecessary delay on our part - you are authorized to continue these repairs and improvements on the building as far as they have been approved by Mr. Ward in this letter.

Please note that Mr. Ward writes that he has not seen specifications for this work and is approving the plans as to design only. Please also note that he calls our attention to the fact that there still remains the work in connection with the light court walls, the plans for which have not yet been submitted for approval.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

GTS/S

Secretary and Librarian

The Librarian stated that the architects and Kaufman-Straus were calling him daily intimating that we were delaying the repairs. This letter from Mr. Ward shows that the delay is on the part of Kaufman-Straus Company's architects and not on our part. The Librarian's letters were sent to

show that the delay was not the fault of the library.  
Upon motion this action was approved.

c. Letter of December 5, 1924 from Mayor Quin, as follows:

December 5, 1924

Mr. Geo. T. Settle, Sec.,  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
4th and York Sts.,  
City.

Dear Sir:

We are calling a meeting in the Council Chamber for Thursday afternoon next, the 11th inst. at 3 o'clock, for the purpose of having those interested in the tax rate for this fiscal year present and explain their budgets.

Please be represented at this meeting.

Very truly

(Signed) HUSTON QUIN

Mayor.

When it was asked who would attend this meeting it was said that the Chairman of the Finance Committee and the Librarian would represent the Board.

d. Letter of December 2, 1924, as follows:

December 2, 1924.

Mr. George T. Settle

Dear Sir:

In view of the approaching new year we wish to call your attention to the inadequacy of the salary paid the Branch Librarians and ask that we be considered in the next budget for a substantial increase to take effect January 1, 1925. We feel that this is due the Branch Librarians in view of our long term of faithful service and in consideration of the onerous responsibilities entailed on this position.

We hope that this meets with your approval and that you will see your way clear to submit this request with your endorsement to the finance committee at its next meeting. We are

Yours truly

(Signed) SALLIE T. BERRYMAN

(Signed) LORAINÉ NORRIS

(Signed) ELIZABETH S. WOODSON

(Signed) ALMA G. ST. CLAIR

Dr. Rauch spoke to this communication and said that we should see that the Branch Librarians did not suffer in any increase in salaries because they were so late sending this letter. They had followed the suggestion of the Librarian in not writing.

The Librarian replied that the Branch Librarians were included in the recommendations for increase in salaries in this order; first, the automatic increase to those receiving \$85. and less, then the Branch Librarians and Heads of Departments, if funds were available.

The Librarian stated that Branch Librarians are required to work four

nights a week, four Heads of Departments do not work at night, one (Colored Department) three nights and the Heads of Circulation and Reference Departments one night each.

This letter brought up the question of reconsidering the increase in hours work required per week passed at the last Board meeting. Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Gamble and Dr. Powell suggested that the question be reconsidered but there being no motion to this effect by a member who had voted in favor of it, no further action was taken. Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Gamble, and Dr. Powell wish to go on record as opposing this increase in hours, Dr. Hemphill having gone on record in his letter.

The Librarian said it has been intimated that the staff might not be as enthusiastic with this increase in hours without an increase in pay. He wished to say that he was quite sure they would be just as enthusiastic and conscientious. He was quite sure of this, from the highest to the lowest.

President Quin was called to the telephone and Dr. Powell, Vice-President, took the chair.

The following gifts were reported:

1. On December 9, 1924 Mr. I. W. Bernheim delivered to the library, thru the Fireproof Storage Company, the following paintings:

Twilight - Carl von Bergen - Munich  
 The Love-Letter - Eugene von Blaas - Venice  
 In the Rhone Valley (France)  
 Amanda U. Bernheim - Williams  
 A Square Deal - T. Coleman, Rome  
 D'Asile - Fath  
 Eve-Tempera - R. Riemerschmid  
 Lilac and Syringa - Paul de Longpre', Hollywood, Cal.  
 Reading - Maxence - Paris  
 Hunted - Mueller - Munich  
 Isaac W. Bernheim - 1900

Previously delivered and received:

Drafted - M. Wachsmuth  
 Favorable Opportunity - F. Ortlieb  
 1 Spanish Head - Sidney F. Gorham  
 Still life - Fruit by Mollie Cramer  
 1 package Art Photos (17)

Mr. Bernheim has been offered \$20,000. for these pictures, exclusive of the two portraits.

Upon motion this gift was accepted without conditions and the Librarian instructed to add \$20,000. insurance to the contents of Main building, this to include all material now in the building as well as the new

pictures that have been added. We are now carrying \$72,000. on contents.

2. One (1) set of Chronicles of America, 50 volumes, cloth, by Walter K. Belknap, Box 131, Louisville, Ky.  
Upon motion this gift was accepted and the Librarian instructed to send letter of thanks in the name of the Board.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance on December 1, 1924 of \$2,185.13 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$5,185.13.

We are submitting herewith Voucher No. 10 to Louisville Trust Company for interest on mortgage, \$7,700.00, due December 15, for your approval and motion to pay.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and ordered filed. This approval includes payment of interest on mortgage, \$7,700.00.

The following statement was printed and mailed to members of the General Council and to all papers in the city, seeking an increase in city taxes for library purposes:

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

A Statement

The budget for the Louisville Free Public Library for the fiscal year beginning September 1, 1924, recommended by the Finance Committee and approved by the Board of Trustees, calls for \$123,921 from city taxes. This is \$13,306.73 more than received last year.

The budget last year called for \$119,706.90 from city taxes. The receipts were \$110,614.27, or \$9,092.63 less. This made it necessary to hold up many July and August bills to be paid this fiscal year, and to use an extra month's rent from the Kaufman-Straus Company building that was not due until this fiscal year, to take care of the pay roll.

The \$13,306.73 increase from city taxes is necessary if the Library is to maintain the standard and to do the work done last year, and to take care of 1) the month's rent advanced, 2) cost to appraise the building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Company necessary to renew the lease, 3) bills paid this year that should have been paid last, 4) necessary repairs on buildings.

The Louisville Library is one of the few that derives revenue from sources other than city taxes. The budget this year calls for \$149,797.39 for maintenance,

or only \$4,786.44 more than was spent last year. Last year we had \$18,439.59 from rents for maintenance after interest on mortgage on Kaufman-Straus Company building had been paid, and \$5,000 retired on the principal. Since it was necessary to advance rent last year, this year we will have a net amount of only \$10,376.23 from rents for maintenance, or \$8,063.36 less. This is less than the difference between the receipts and anticipated amount from city taxes last year.

Louisville has one of the great public libraries of the country, and it would be a tragedy to take a step backward. There are demands for extension work with no money in sight to recommend it. Three sections of the city are offering sites and funds to erect temporary library buildings if the Board of Trustees will stock them with books and maintain them. The average cost of a branch library is about \$5,000. To accept these offers would necessarily add from \$5,000 to \$15,000 to the amount now asked by the Finance Committee from city taxes. Otherwise nothing can be done with these offers this year.

The American Library Association recommends \$1.00 per capita annually as a reasonable minimum revenue to maintain a good free public library system. There are a number of public libraries that receive more than \$1.00 per capita: Brookline \$1.48, Cleveland \$1.27, Newton \$1.25, Boston \$1.20, Pasadena \$1.16, Gary \$1.13, Detroit \$1.08, Newark \$1.03, Portland \$1.03, Mason City \$1.00.

The cost to maintain the Louisville Library last year was 56 cents per capita based on receipts from all revenue. Some of the other cities that are spending more per capita than Louisville are Pittsburgh 97 cents, Minneapolis 88 cents, Providence 87 cents, Indianapolis 87 cents, Seattle 86 cents, Jersey City 80 cents, St. Paul 79 cents, Los Angeles 78 cents, Toledo 72 cents, Oakland 67 cents, Kansas City 65 cents, Cincinnati 63 cents, Milwaukee 60 cents and Denver 57 cents.

A survey of 35 libraries in cities with a population of 200,000 or more, made by Dr. George F. Bowerman, Librarian, Public Library, Washington, D. C. (see pages 2 and 14 Public Library District of Columbia Report 1924) shows that Louisville ranks last in cost to circulate a book, the cost varying from 44½ cents to 11½ cents. This shows that the Louisville Library is the MOST ECONOMICALLY ADMINISTERED library in the survey. This may speak well for the Louisville Library management, but is it the wisest city policy to require it since it is at the cost of books and salaries?

The last annual report shows that the Louisville Library has 258,385 volumes and that these books circulated for home use on an average of nearly five times each. More than 40,000 of these books are used in reference work and are not permitted to leave the buildings. This means that many of the books circulated hundreds of times and are worn out without funds to replace or rebind them.

The Louisville Library ranks with other cities in circulation of books for home use, reference work, work with children and in service.

When may we expect to rank with them in per capita income?

Study the tabulated statement.

November 22, 1924

GEORGE T. SETTLE  
Librarian

The Librarian's report for November was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 116,780 volumes, an increase of 649 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 64,919 volumes were circulated



to adults and 51,861 to children, a little more than fifty-one per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 1,139 new borrowers registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 17,860 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There were 2,194 visitors to the Civics Room and 1,923 to the Museum. There were 1,066 volumes added to the library in November and 1,170 volumes cataloged.

The Librarian's recommendation to the Library Committee that December salaries be paid on or before December 22, upon motion was approved by the Board.

The Librarian's report for November showing an expenditure of \$19,406.84 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$7,858.55, voucher No. 8, checks Nos. 553-651 inclusive, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid December 1. This also includes voucher No. 10 to the Louisville Trust Company for interest on mortgage \$7,700.00, payable December 15. This leaves a balance of \$3,848.29, voucher No. 9, checks Nos. 652-748 inclusive to be paid:

Abingdon Press	\$	2.71
American Book Co.		16.52
American Library Association		30.00
American Printing House for the Blind		10.90
D. Appleton and Co.		2.84
Samuel L. Avery and Co.		25.00
Arctic Ice Co.		22.63
Baker and Taylor Co.		10.72
J. W. E. Bayly and Co.		10.33
Beckwith Press		3.15
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.		6.90
Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.		4.61
Bomar-Summers Hardware Co.		3.65
Booker and Kinnaid		10.32
R. R. Bowker Co.		2.94
Burkley and Tierney		10.33
A. L. Burt and Co.		5.00
Carpenter and Dudley		10.33
Central Glass Co.		2.25
Childers Electric Co.		33.62
I. Edward Clark		5.00
Columbia Carbon Co.		7.20
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.		60.25
H. V. Davis and Co.		10.33
Diem & Wing Paper Co.		16.80
Dodd, Mead and Co.		8.03
George H. Doran Co.		1.75
Doubleday Page and Co.		11.62

R. O. Dusch	26.35
Educational Publishing Co.	6.96
Elbert Coal Co.	115.85
Eldridge Entertainment House	20.79
F. W. Faxon Co.	15.03
George G. Fetter Co.	5.45
Fillmore Music House	7.30
Gaylord Brothers	104.00
Ginn and Co.	14.64
Herman Goldberger	1.75
J. N. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Co.	9.41
Hammer Printing and Office Supply Co.	26.00
D. C. Heath and Co.	12.03
Henry HeickHardware Co.	1.05
T. J. Hoke	3.00
R. Jeunesse	84.60
Kaufman-Straus Co.	118.60
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	445.80
Kentucky & Louisville Mutual Insurance Co.	4.20
Kentucky Title Co.	40.00
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind	16.32
Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.	2.75
Library of Congress	100.00
Lodenkemper Bros.	5.00
Longmans, Green and Co.	421.19
Longs Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	148.44
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
John P. Morton & Co.	31.20
Anna Blanche McGill	43.93
Macmillan Co.	29.83
Macmillan Co.	10.72
Meffert Equipment Co.	1.50
Miller Paper Co.	14.00
Mitchell Bros.	4.40
Moellmann & Hennessy	10.31
National Association of Book Publishers	2.50
National Committee for the Prevention of Blindness	2.00
National Municipal League	5.00
Office Equipment Co.	1.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.	3.90
Penn Publishing Co.	20.25
Pirtle, Weaver & Menefee	10.33
Public Libraries	12.00
Remington Typewriter Co.	9.00
C. V. Ritter	32.20
Royal Typewriter Co.	2.00
Russell Sage Foundation	3.42
Schwarz, Clifford and Scott	8.47
George T. Settle, Librarian - Petty Cash	86.02
J. E. Sikking & Bro.	9.40
Southeastern Paper Co.	1.50
Southern School Journal	8.03

Standard Printing Co.	90.00
G. E. Stechert & Co.	25.00
W. K. Stewart Co.	130.07
Stith and Harris	10.33
Frederick A. Stokes Co.	14.85
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	18.82
Tehan and Head	1.50
Tri-City Electric Co.	1.75
A. J. Wallon & Son	7.50
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	986.19
Prince Wells Co.	15.43
H. W. Wilson Co.	2.25
Wisconsin Free Library Commission	1.00
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	3 848.29
Louisville Trust Co. - Interest on mortgage	7 700.00
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	11 548.29
Pd) George T. Settle, Librarian - Pay Roll	7 858.55
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Total . . . .	\$ 19 406.84

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business, upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Jan 14-1925

W. H. Stearns President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday January 14, 1925  
in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Mayor Quin, Dr. Kauch, Monsignor Schuman and the Librarian, with President Quin in the chair. Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Heyburn and Dr. Mullins were unable to attend and Mr. Thruston reported out of the city.

The minutes of the regular December 10, 1924 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

On call for reading and consideration of communications the Secretary read as follows:

- a. Letter of January 6, 1925 from O. P. Ward, architect and engineer, as follows:

January 6, 1925

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

Dear Sir:

Beg to advise that I have looked over and approved revised blueprints 1, 2, 3 and 12 from Nevin, Wischmeyer and Morgan's office, showing certain parts of the alterations being done at the Kaufman-Straus building on Fourth Street, this city. These blueprints were received too late yesterday afternoon to do any work on them yesterday. However, I have checked them over this morning and believe that everything has now been satisfactorily taken care of that is to be done in connection with the changes in the light court walls, as well as the elevator hatchway. This completes the work that I was instructed to do for the Louisville Free Public Library in connection with approving the contemplated changes at the Kaufman-Straus building.

I understand that the Kaufman-Straus Company have stated several times that the work has been held up unduly by me, as consulting architect representing the Louisville Free Public Library, so in order to show that this is not the case I wish to state that the final revised blueprints of sheets 7 and 8, showing the elevator hatchway and framing on south side of building, were received by me on the afternoon of December 2, 1924 and approved December 3, on which date I wrote you so stating.

Blueprints 1 and 12, showing contemplated changes in light courts on north and south sides, were received by me on December 29, 1924 and checked over the next day. I suggested several changes in connection with this work as shown on these drawings and so advised Nevin, Wischmeyer and Morgan over the telephone. The revised sheets of blueprints 1 and 12 and also sheets 2 and 3 were received late

yesterday afternoon, January 5, 1925 and approved by me this morning. I believe, therefore, that I, as your representative, have carried out this work as expeditiously as can reasonably be expected under the conditions.

I wish it to be understood by you and your Board that I have approved in a general way the changes being made at the Kaufman-Straus building as shown on the blueprints of the architects, Nevin, Wischmeyer and Morgan, particularly the structural changes shown, but I am not, on this account, assuming responsibility in any way for the work or the execution of same. As far as I can see the work, as now shown on the drawings, is properly constructed and I have no doubt but that it will be satisfactorily carried on and completed.

Trusting that the above report, supplementing my former reports, and my service as consulting architect in connection with this work has been satisfactory, I am

Yours very truly

(Signed) OSSIAN P. WARD

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Librarian's reply of January 6, 1925 to Kaufman-Straus Company and Nevin, Wischmeyer and Morgan, as follows:

January 6, 1925

Kaufman-Straus Company  
427 S. Fourth Avenue  
Louisville, Ky.

Attention:  
Mr. William G. Waterman

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing copy of letter of January 6, 1925 from Mr. O. P. Ward, architect and engineer, received this afternoon, which explains itself. I am also sending copy of this letter to Nevin, Wischmeyer and Morgan, for their information.

I am writing you today to avoid any unnecessary delay on our part to say that you are authorized to continue the repairs and improvements on the building as far as they have been approved by Mr. Ward in his letter. As I understand it this completes the contemplated repairs to be approved by Mr. Ward, our architect.

Please note that Mr. Ward writes: "I wish it to be understood by you and your Board that I have approved in a general way the changes being made at the Kaufman-Straus building, as shown on the blueprints of the architects, Nevin, Wischmeyer and Morgan, particularly the structural changes shown, but I am not, on this account, assuming responsibility in any way for the work or the execution of same. As far as I can see the work, as now shown on the drawings, is properly constructed and I have no doubt but that it will be satisfactorily carried on and completed." This also means that the Librarian and the Library Board are not assuming any responsibility.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

George T. Settle,

Secretary and Librarian

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see next page

Upon motion, which was approved by the Building Committee, it was thought advisable to continue the services of an architect and engineer to supervise the repairs and improvements being made on the Kaufman-Straus building. This was referred to the Building Committee with power to act.

- b. The Librarian read report of the work in Jefferson County, as follows:

January 13, 1925

Judge Harry E. Tincher	)	
Mr. John Bryce Baskin	)	Fiscal Court of
Mr. S. Mazzyck O'Brien	)	Jefferson County
Mr. J. C. Kirchdorfer	)	

Gentlemen:

The following is the eighth annual report of library work in Jefferson County conducted by the Louisville Free Public Library under contract with the Fiscal Court of Jefferson County.

The contract entered into for the year 1916-17 calls for the free use of the Main library and all branch libraries in the city of Louisville by residents of Jefferson County, and the conducting of not less than ten stations in the county outside the city of Louisville. There are now 160 centers in 95 buildings for the circulation of books for home use in Jefferson County outside the city of Louisville. This includes 26 stations (21 white and 5 colored) and 134 classroom collections (122 white and 12 colored) in 69 school buildings (57 white and 12 colored). We had public library books in every school building in Jefferson County last year.

The circulation of books for home use from these centers was 48,925 volumes (46,808 white and 2,117 colored). This includes 17,713 volumes read by adults and 31,212 by children. No separate record is kept of the number of books taken from the Main library and branches in the city of Louisville and read by residents of Jefferson County outside the city of Louisville. This would add several thousand volumes to the circulation of books in the county.

There were 15,716 volumes used in stations and classroom collections in county work. These books were changed quarterly at stations and twice during the school year at the schools.

We received \$5,000. from the county for the first four years and \$10,000. the last four years. The amount appropriated for county library work has not been sufficient to keep the books in repair and replace those that have been worn out for the past two years. The cost of books and rebinding has increased considerably in the past four years as well as it has been necessary to increase salaries and wages of employees in this work. The committee feels that the appropriation from the county should be increased from \$10,000. to \$15,000. this year. This is necessary to take care of the work as it is increasing.

Monsignor Schuman, Mr. Thomas A. Barker and the Librarian are

the committee on county library work. The committee will be pleased to meet with you if you desire, at your convenience.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

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Upon motion the Committee (Monsignor Schuhman, Mr. Barker and the Librarian) was authorized to make this request for an increase in appropriation.

The Librarian announced a gift of 29 volumes, including a set of Balzac, from Mr. Harry Wirgman, Weissinger-Gaulbert, which upon motion was accepted and a vote of thanks extended.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

January 14, 1925

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance on January 1, 1925 of \$672.05 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$3,672.05.

We are submitting herewith voucher No. 14 to the Louisville Trust Company, to retire \$5,000.00 on the mortgage and pay one month's interest \$22.91, a total of \$5,022.91, for your approval for payment. This is due tomorrow, January 15.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved. This authorized the payment of \$5,022.91 (Voucher No. 14) to Louisville Trust Company, to retire \$5,000. on mortgage and pay one month's interest, \$22.91.

Mr. Barker read action of the Executive Committee as follows:

Louisville, Ky., December 20th, 1924.

Trustees Louisville Free Public Library:-

The pay roll, provided for in the budget, includes seventeen (17) automatic increases to assistants who are receiving \$85.00 and less, such increases having been recommended by the Librarian. This became effective December 1st.

We recommend that the provision in budget for book account be reduced from \$25,267.30 to \$23,187.30, with the understanding that any unexpended amounts in other accounts will be added to book account.

We recommend that the following additional increases be made in

salaries effective December 1st:-

Eight (8) heads of departments	\$10.00 each;
Seven (7) branch librarians	10.00 "
Twenty-two (22) senior assistants and assistants who have served longer than one year Sept. 1, 1924	5.00 " .

This will make a total increase of \$260.00 per month or \$2080.00 for eight months and will increase the pay roll, provided for in budget, from \$97,313.00 to \$99,393.00. The Librarian made these recommendations to the Finance Committee, and such increases are made upon the distinct understanding that the change in hours heretofore adopted shall remain effective.

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER  
Chairman Finance Committee

The action of the Finance Committee, as above set forth, is pursuant to recommendations made by me.

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLER  
Librarian

We, the undersigned members of the Executive Committee, approve the recommendation of the Finance Committee.

(Signed) HUSTON QUIN  
Chairman

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

(Signed) PHIL. OSSMANN

(Signed) E. L. POWELL

Upon motion the action of the Finance Committee and Executive Committee was approved and the Librarian instructed to revise the budget accordingly. City taxes figures are changed from \$123,921.00 to \$121,021.88, total income from \$172,421.16 to \$169,522.04, book account from \$25,267.30 to \$20,288.18, pay roll from \$97,313.00 to \$99,393.00, expenditure accounts from \$149,797.39 to \$146,898.27 and total expenditures from \$172,421.16 to \$169,522.04. For changes in budget figures see page 153.

The Secretary was instructed to gather together all papers of the Main library, Kaufman-Straus building, and all branch libraries, placing deeds, leases, title insurance and fire insurance policies, and other papers - all papers for each building in separate envelopes. This is to include new lease on Kaufman-Straus building and all original papers that have to do with repairs and improvements on this building.

The Librarian reported that he had prepared an order calling for an expendi-



ture of about \$2,500.00 for books on trades, manufactures, etc. (500, 600 and 700) to place the order if the full amount from the city was available. Since this amount is not available this order has been cut down to about \$1,200.00. Upon motion the Librarian was authorized to place the order.

The Librarian's report for December was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 108,373 volumes, an increase of 8,855 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 60,294 volumes were circulated to adults and 48,079 to children, a little more than fifty-one per cent of the circulation being fiction. The report of the Reference Department shows 13,055 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There was an attendance of 2,092 in the civics room and the visitors to the Museum numbered 1,648. There were 993 volumes added to the library in December and 1,814 volumes cataloged. There are 262,757 volumes available for public use.

The Librarian's report for December showing an expenditure of \$17,659.85 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, voucher Nos. 11 and 12, checks Nos. 749-881 inclusive, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid December 22. This also includes voucher No. 14 to the Louisville Trust Company, retiring mortgage \$5,000.00 and one month's interest \$22.91, total \$5,022.91, due January 15. This leaves a balance of \$4,361.03, voucher No. 13, checks Nos. 882-976 inclusive to be paid:

Americana Corporation	\$ 180.00
A. J. Anderson	78.67
Arctic Ice Company	22.17
Atlantic Monthly Press	4.01
Baker and Taylor Co.	29.39
Baldwin Law Publishing Co.	7.50
Clara L. Behrens, Order Dept.	13.48
Leon A. Berezniak	2.00
Boni and Liveright	1.84
Booker & Kinnaird	31.51
Central Glass Co.	8.85
Century Company	29.48
Childers Electric Co.	6.27
Courier-Journal and Louisville Times	54.60
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	61.94

Crutcher Bros.	71.35
H. V. Davis & Co.	35.08
Dugan, Humphreys & Co.	59.69
E. P. Dutton & Co.	3.80
Educational Publishing Co.	1.20
Elbert Coal Co.	335.86
Electric Blue Print & Supply Co.	3.50
F. W. Faxon Co.	5.05
Geo. G. Fetter Co.	3.00
J. W. Fischer	3.80
Gaylord Bros.	18.90
Gilding Shop	12.40
J. W. Grant	8.00
Hammer Printing & Office Supply Co.	2.50
Herald-Post Co.	52.00
H. S. Hirshberg	5.50
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Henry Holt and Co.	2.70
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	37.74
Hubbuck Bros. and Wellendorff	79.65
R. Jeunesse and Sons	13.80
Kaufman-Straus Co.	87.47
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	179.30
Klein Bros.	1.25
Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.	5.67
Library Bureau	37.20
J. B. Lippincott Co.	4.66
Little, Brown and Co.	31.15
Lodenkemper Bros.	2.60
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Longmans, Green & Co.	10.24
Louisville Chemical Co.	26.31
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	163.17
Louisville Grocery Co.	6.75
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
John P. Morton and Co.	25.05
Anna Blanche McGill	23.60
Macmillan Co.	1.32
Macmillan Co.	6.22
Meffert Equipment Co.	5.50
Miller Paper Co.	14.25
Mitchell Bros.	1.40
Modern Eloquence	55.50
Morehouse Publishing Co.	1.02
Mueller-Metzner Co.	20.00
National Education Association of the United States	5.00
National Geographic Society	3.00
New York Times Index	8.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Public Libraries	12.00
Putnams	13.31
Rand, McNally and Co.	8.42
Allen M. Reager and Co.	32.95
Remington Typewriter Co.	6.00
Reutlinger and Co.	19.64

C. V. Ritter	190.10
W. K. Stewart Co.	490.57
Schoppenhorst Dry Cleaning and Dyeing Co.	3.00
Charles Scribner's Sons	12.69
George T. Settle, A.L.A. expenses	56.35
George T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	75.12
Short's Tire Service	1.00
J. E. Sicking	12.10
Southeastern Paper Co.	19.95
Standard Oil Co.	18.82
Standard Printing Co.	113.00
Stewart Dry Goods Co.	5.00
Tehan and Head	1.50
Mary F. Theobald	12.55
Tri-City Electric Co.	1.00
United Glue Factories	17.56
University of Chicago Press	2.80
O. P. Ward	100.00
Watauga Press	9.00
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	996.24
Prince Wells Co.	2.40
Western Union Telegraph Co.	3.75
Calvert Wilson	3.80
H. W. Wilson Co.	14.10
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Pd) George T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	8 040.91
Pd) George T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	236.00 8 275.91
Louisville Trust Co. Retiring mortgage	5,000.00
Interest	22.91
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	5,022.91
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Total	\$ 17,659.85

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

March 11, 1925

Justin Linn President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

February 11, 1925

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library was not held on the above date because of lack of quorum.

The following letter was sent to the Executive Committee:

February 11, 1925

Mayor Huston Quin, Chairman	)	
Dr. E. L. Powell	)	Executive Committee
Mr. Thomas A. Barker	)	Board of Trustees
Mr. Philip Ossmann	)	
Louisville Free Public Library		
Louisville, Ky.		

Gentlemen:

We are unable to have the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees today, February 11, 1925, on account of the lack of quorum. Mr. Barker, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Dr. Mullins and Mr. Thruston are out of the city and Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Gamble and Mr. Ossmann are unable to attend.

Since there is no likelihood of a called meeting before March 1, it is recommended that the bills for the month amounting to \$6,204.44 be paid by order of the Executive Committee. If this is agreeable please sign below and return by bearer.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GHO. T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

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Approved:

(Signed) HUSTON QUIN  
 (Signed) PHIL. OSSMANN  
 (Signed) E. L. POWELL  
 (signed) THOS. A. BARKER

This approval included bills which were paid as follows:

Arctic Ice Co.	\$ 23.07
American Book Company	41.63
American Chemical Company	1.00
American Library Association	5.00
D. Appleton & Co.	460.69
N. W. Ayer & Son	15.00
Baker and Taylor Co.	1.61
Baptist Book Concern	56.73
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	23.24
Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.	3.76
R. K. Bowker Co.	19.75
Brakmeier Bros.	4.00
Breckel Press	30.35
Breuer and Co.	20.07
Carter Dry Goods Co.	17.86
Centre College	1.50

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Century Co.	172.18
Central Glass Co.	4.65
Childers Electric Co.	100.51
City Club of Chicago	1.00
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	61.09
George H. Doran Co.	4.73
R. O. Dusch	17.85
Eugene B. Dye	2.00
Cyrus Edwards	3.00
Elbert Coal Co.	208.52
Geo. G. Fetter Co.	1.00
Finger Paper Co.	13.80
J. W. Fischer	1.70
Gaylord Bros.	57.45
Ginn and Co.	37.81
J. N. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Co.	18.94
Hammer Printing & Office Supply Co.	9.75
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	18.20
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Houghton, Mifflin and Co.	34.28
H. K. Huntting Co.	5.25
International Textbook Co.	1.60
R. Jeunesse and Sons	2.50
Kaufman-Straus Co.	256.83
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	364.50
Kentucky Education Association	1.00
Kentucky Geological Survey	3.30
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind	10.35
Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.	2.88
Herman C. Korfhage Co.	7.50
Lampton, Crane and Ramey Co.	11.91
Library of Congress	100.00
Little, Brown and Co.	2.70
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	181.80
Louisville Home Telephone Exchange	39.25
Louisville Paper Co.	15.50
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
John F. Morton and Co.	102.65
Anna Blanche McGill	21.25
Macmillan Company	70.70
A. N. Marquis and Co.	17.50
Meffert Equipment Co.	1.75
Miller Paper Co.	7.50
Milliken Battery Service Co.	29.45
Mitchell Bros.	1.30
Moellmann and Hennessy	16.07
Mueller-Metzner Co.	10.00
National Conference on City Planning	5.00
National Housing Association	5.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Pease and Norgard Engineering Co.	19.00
Penn Publishing Co.	24.30
Pirtle, Weaver and Menefee	153.60
Remington Typewriter Co.	6.00
C. V. Ritter	21.60

Porter Sargent	5.40
Jacob Schulz Co.	54.00
Schwarz, Clifford & Scott	3.10
W. R. Seestadt	15.40
George T. Settle, Librarian - Petty Cash	82.79
J. E. Sikking	6.00
Southeastern Paper Co.	42.67
Spectator Co.	35.00
Standard Printing Co.	89.10
W. K. Stewart Co.	1 641.90
Stewart-Warner Products Service Station	1.25
J. E. Stohlmann	3.24
Frederick A. Stokes Co.	51.95
Studies in Philology	4.00
E. S. Tachau and Sons	13.38
H. C. Tafel Co.	7.50
Tehan and Head	6.00
Mary E. Theobald	5.00
Time	5.00
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	1 011.15
Prince Wells Co.	14.96
James T. White and Co.	18.92
Albert Whitman and Co.	17.88
H. W. Wilson Co.	13.29
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Pd) George T. Settle, Libn. - Pay Roll	7 968.46
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Total	\$ 14 172.90

MINUTES APPROVED

March 11, 1925Huston Linn PresidentGeo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday, March 11, 1925 in the  
Librarian's Office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Ossmann,  
Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Mayor Quin and the Librarian, with President Quin in the  
chair. Mr. Heyburn attended the Library Committee meeting but had to leave before  
the Board meeting. Dr. Mullins, Dr. Rauch and Mr. Thruston were reported out of the  
city and Monsignor Schuhmann was unable to attend.

The minutes of the regular January 14 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

There being no February meeting the action of the Executive Committee in  
authorizing payment of February bills was read and upon motion approved.

On call for reading and consideration of communications the Secretary read as  
follows:

- a. Librarian's letter of January 16, 1925 to Mr. O. P. Ward, Architect,  
as follows:

January 16, 1925

Mr. O. P. Ward, Architect & Engineer  
Lincoln Bank Building  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Ward:

The Louisville Free Public Library Board, at a regular meeting  
Wednesday, January 14, upon recommendation of the Building Committee,  
will continue you as supervising architect and engineer to represent  
the Library Board to supervise the repairs and improvements on the  
building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Company. You are to have super-  
vision, representing the Library Board, of all changes and repairs  
in the front show windows, elevator shaft and removal and placing of  
walls in the light areas, etc. now authorized by the Library Board.  
Any other changes contemplated by Kaufman-Straus Company are to be  
passed on by the Library Board before they are undertaken.

I am enclosing copy of this letter to Kaufman-Straus Company and  
Nevin, Wischmeyer and Morgan, Architects. I am asking them to give  
you free access to the building, blueprints and specifications as  
necessary in your work.

The Board was particular to say that they are not reflecting on  
Kaufman-Straus Company or the architects but that since this is a pub-  
lic building and they are held responsible for it, it would be best  
that they be represented by an architect in all physical changes and  
repairs on the building.

I wish you would get in touch with Kaufman-Straus Company and

the architects and begin this work at your very earliest convenience as repairs are now under way.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

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Secretary and Librarian

- b. Librarian's letter of January 16, 1925 to Kaufman-Straus Company and Nevin, Mischmeyer and Morgan, Architects, as follows:

January 16, 1925

Kaufman-Straus Company  
427 S. Fourth Avenue  
Louisville, Ky.

Attention:  
Mr. William G. Waterman

Gentlemen:

The Library Board, at its regular meeting Wednesday, January 14, upon recommendation of the Building Committee to employ an architect, has continued Mr. O. P. Ward, architect and engineer, as supervising architect to represent the Library Board in all repairs and improvements made on the building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Company.

The Board was particular to say that they meant no reflection on Kaufman-Straus Company or the architects in employing an architect for this work, but that they felt that since the building belonged to the public and they, as a Board, are responsible for it to the public, it would be best that they be represented by an architect and engineer in all alterations and changes that are made in the building.

I am enclosing copy of letter to Mr. Ward. We trust that you will give Mr. Ward free access to the building, blueprints and specifications as he may need them in his work.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

GTS/S

Secretary and Librarian

- c. Letter of February 9, 1925 from Mrs. R. W. Reichert, Secretary, Highland Park Civic League, asking for a branch library at Highland Park or a promise that the next branch library opened will be in Highland Park was read.

After remarks of regret by Dr. Powell, Mayor Quin and other members of the Board, the Librarian was instructed to write that "we are in no better financial condition now than when the request was first made. The Board has no funds for a library building or funds to conduct an additional branch library and that the Board regrets that it is not in a position to make any promise of what might be done later."

- d. Letter of February 21, 1925 from National Academy of Design, 215 West 57th Street, New York, signed C. C. Curran, Secretary, offering a painting as a gift to the library with the following condition - "that the National Gallery at Washington, administered by the Smithsonian Institution, shall have the option and right, without cost, to take, reclaim and own any picture for their collection, provided they exer-



cise such option and right at any time during the five-year period beginning ten years after the artist's death and ending fifteen years after his death, and, if such option and right is not exercised during such period, the picture shall remain and be the property of the institution to which it was first given." Upon motion this offer was accepted and the Librarian authorized to ask that we be placed on the list to receive picture as it is available.

At this point the Rev. H. C. Hadley, 3811 West Broadway, representing the Shawnee Welfare Club, was admitted. Dr. Hadley first asked permission for the citizens in the west end to erect a suitable community house on the library grounds to the rear of the Shawnee Branch library. Mr. Barker and other members of the Board stated that this proposition was not feasible since any building placed on this site must be deeded to the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library and under their absolute control, and that in addition, a building for basket-ball, athletics, etc. to the rear of the library building would interfere with regular library work. Secondly, Dr. Hadley proposed that the community raise funds for a new building to be erected for public library purposes and social center uses. After Dr. Hadley retired there was some discussion of the matter and upon motion it was referred to the Building Committee to make recommendations to the Board. The Librarian was instructed to write Dr. Hadley. Letter follows:

March 12, 1925

Rev. H. C. Hadley, D. D.  
Representing Shawnee Welfare Club  
3811 W. Broadway  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Dr. Hadley:

The proposition you made to the Library Board at its regular meeting Wednesday, March 11, for the citizens in the West End to erect a suitable community house to the rear of the Shawnee Branch Library was duly considered after you retired.

I am instructed by the Library Board to say that this proposition is not feasible since any building placed on this site must be deeded to the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library and under their absolute control.

Your proposition that the community might raise funds for a new building to be erected for public library purposes and social center uses was thought of more favorably. This would mean a permanent library building with play

rooms and class rooms, etc. in the basement. Such a building would cost not less than \$50,000.

The matter is referred to the Building Committee to confer with your committee and to report at the next meeting of the Library Board. If you will advise me when the committees might be called together I will make arrangements for the Building Committee to meet with you.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

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The following gifts were announced and upon motion the Librarian was instructed to convey the thanks of the Board:

1. Complete set - Proceedings of National Tax Association (5 volumes) and subscription to the Bulletin of the National Tax Association from Mr. William B. Belknap, Goshen, Ky.
2. Maryland Department of Archives (42 volumes) from Maryland Historical Society.
3. "Life and times of Hon. Humphrey Marshall," (one volume) from Col. Lucien Beekner, Winchester, Ky., through Mr. Otto Rothert.
4. The offer of the Kourier magazine from the Knights of Klu Klux Klan, with the proviso that it be placed on our reading table, was not accepted.  
(Kentucky, Ohio & Indiana)

The Librarian announced that the Ohio Valley Regional Group of Catalogers will have a luncheon meeting at the Elks Club, Saturday, April 4 at 12:30 o'clock, with a program following, and that members of the Board were invited to be present. Dr. Hemp-hill, Mrs. Abbott and Mrs. Gamble were appointed to attend to represent the Board and other members were asked to be present if they could.

The Librarian asked permission to discontinue the Home telephones as the merger is completed. Upon motion he was given this authority.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

March 11, 1925

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's reports for January and February are submitted herewith. The report for January shows a cash balance of \$1,004.35. The report for February shows a cash balance on March 1 of \$10,172.57. To this is to be added \$5,000. rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or

about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$13,172.57.

The appraisal note and interest amounting to \$2,343.16, voucher No. 17, was paid to Kaufman-Straus Company on February 21, 1925.

The bills payable account, \$59,500.00 and interest \$1,090.75, total \$60,590.75, voucher No. 19, was paid to the Louisville Trust Company on March 9, 1925. A motion is in order to approve these payments.

In retiring the mortgage principle \$5,000. we paid \$22.91 interest. This shows on the voucher but the Trust Company has no coupons covering the amount. Attention is called to this for record.

It is intimated that an offer has been made for the purchase of the Kaufman-Straus building. Mr. Heyman, representing the new owners of Kaufman-Straus Company, has said to the Librarian that he trusts they will be given due notice before any action is taken in selling the building.

The National Surety Company, in a letter signed by William A. Reisert, calls our attention to forgery insurance.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's reports for January and February were read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report for January shows a circulation of 118,072 volumes, a decrease of 38 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 70,101 volumes were circulated to adults and 47,971 to children, fifty-three per cent of the circulation being fiction. The report shows 929 borrowers were registered during the month, making a total of 59,760 persons registered. The report of the Reference department shows 15,207 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There was an attendance of 2,275 in the Civics Room and the visitors to the Museum numbered 2,042. There were 1,630 volumes added to the library in January and 1,234 volumes cataloged. The report for February shows a circulation of 117,685 volumes, a decrease of 4,602 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 69,387 volumes were circulated to adults and 48,296 to children, fifty-eight per cent of the circulation being fiction. The report also shows that 991 new borrowers were registered, making a total of 59,827 persons

registered. The report of the Reference department shows 17,073 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There was an attendance of 2,119 in the Civics room and there were 1,899 visitors to the Museum. There were 2,279 volumes added to the library in February and 2,600 volumes cataloged. There are 266,726 volumes available for public use.

The Librarian, as instructed by the Building Committee, submitted a tabulated statement of additional insurance on the Kaufman-Straus building, Main building and Branch Library buildings necessary to come up to the 90% and 80% co-insurance clauses in the policies. The Librarian's recommendation to the Building Committee that at least the additional insurance necessary on the Kaufman-Straus building (\$148,760; approximate cost \$963.96) be taken out immediately and that additional insurance on the Main building and branch buildings be deferred to be included in the budget next year because of lack of funds, was read. The Building Committee stated they would rather the Board would act on this as it is a very important matter. Upon motion it was referred to the Chairman of the Finance Committee and the Librarian, with power to act.

As directed by the Board, the Librarian submitted a list of ten most popular books, fiction and non-fiction.

The American Library Association will meet in Seattle, Washington, July 5-11, 1925. Upon recommendation of the Library Committee the Librarian will represent the Library, as has been customary. Other members of the staff will be granted leave of absence to attend.

The Librarian's report for February showing an expenditure of \$75,473.46 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay roll, \$8,167.43, voucher No. 18, checks Nos. 1172-1269 inclusive, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid March 2. This also includes voucher No. 17, for appraisal cost and interest, \$2,343.16, paid to Kaufman-Straus Company February 21. This also includes voucher No. 19 for bills payable, \$59,500.00, interest \$1,090.75, total \$60,590.75,

paid to Louisville Trust Company on March 9. This leaves a balance of \$4,372.12, voucher No. 20, checks Nos. 1270-1334 inclusive to be paid:

American Library Association	\$ 2.06
A. J. Anderson	13.42
Arctic Ice Co.	20.61
Baker & Taylor Co.	216.89
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	4.92
Bellows-Reeve Co.	56.00
Bibliographical Society of America	4.00
Booker & Kinnaird	20.45
J. C. Bowles and Son	2.00
Brakmeier Bros.	6.70
Brandt-Conners and Fowler	9.90
Childers Electric Co.	43.22
F. A. Clegg & Co.	47.75
Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.	60.25
Elbert Coal Co.	216.53
J. W. Fischer	1.60
Gaylord Bros.	5.65
J. N. Grant	8.00
Hammer Printing and Office Supply Co.	7.75
Heaton Publishing Co.	3.00
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Hubbuck Bros. & Wellendorff	4.25
Kaufman-Straus Co.	888.02
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	366.90
Klein Bros.	5.00
J. J. Leff	1.18
Library Bureau	133.35
Little, Brown & Co.	76.80
Lodenkemper Bros.	5.00
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Longmans, Green and Co.	56.71
Louisville Gas and Electric Co.	160.66
Louisville Home Telephone Exchange	39.25
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Anna Blanche McGill	24.00
Macmillan Co.	27.76
Meffert Equipment Co.	1.50
Edw. J. Miller and Co.	40.00
Miller Paper Co.	7.50
John P. Morton and Co.	30.40
Mueller-Metzner Co.	10.00
National Child Labor Commission	2.00
National Society, Daughters of American Revolution	2.50
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
L. C. Page Co.	107.32
Pirtle, Weaver & Menefee	17.63
Loyal Typewriter Co.	2.00
Reutlinger & Co.	10.22
C. V. Ritter	2.00
Russell Sage Foundation	1.25
Schwarz, Clifford and Scott	62.53
George T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	67.62
J. E. Sicking	12.25

Special Libraries Association	5.00
Standard Oil Co.	19.16
Standard Printing Co.	89.10
W. K. Stewart Co.	285.08
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	19.12
Tehan and Head	1.90
Mary E. Theobald	7.38
Timberlake & Trueheart	10.58
Veeder Mfg. Co.	6.11
Weissinger-Gaulbert Keal Estate Co.	967.95
Prince Wells Co.	5.44
H. W. Wilson Co.	4.80
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	4 372.12
Pd) George T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	8 167.43
Pd) Kaufman-Straus Co. Appraisal and interest	2,343.16
Pd) Louisville Trust Co. Bills Payable 59,500.00	
Interest	<u>1,090.75</u>
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Total . . . . .	\$ 75 473.46

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

April 8-1925

W. H. Houston President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday April 8, 1925, in the  
Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Ossmann,  
Dr. Powell, Mayor Quin, Dr. Rauch, Mr. Thruston and the Librarian, with President Quin  
in the chair. Dr. Mullins was reported ill and Monsignor Schuhmann unable to attend.  
Mr. Heyburn and Dr. Pfingst telephoned at the last minute asking to be excused if  
not needed for a quorum.

The minutes of the regular March 11 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

On call for reading and consideration of communications the Secretary read  
as follows:

- a. Letter of April 6, 1925 from Mayor Quin, as follows:

April 6, 1925

Mr. Geo. T. Settle,  
Librarian,  
City.

Dear Sir:

Referring to my letter of the 13th.

I am glad to advise that Monsignor Schuhmann,  
Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston and Mr. Henry B. Heyburn have all  
accepted appointment as members of the Library Board.

Very truly,

(Signed) HUSTON QUIN  
Mayor

- b. Letter of April 6, 1925 from Mrs. J. S. Lutz, Secretary, High-  
land Park Civic League, as follows:

April 6th, 1925

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

Dear Mr. Settle:-

Your letter of March 12th was read before our League at the  
regular meeting in March, and while you gave us no definite  
reply in regard to a Branch Library, still we feel that some day  
we will have one in our community. According to your suggestion,  
we will look out for a good site, and will let you hear from us  
about same in the near future.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) MRS. J. S. LUTZ, Secretary  
Highland Park Civic League

4349 Park Blvd.

The Librarian announced the following gifts for record in the minutes and a vote of thanks from the Board:

1. Case of stuffed birds from George H. Fisher Co., 145 S. Fifth Street,
2. 19 art photographs, etc. from Mrs. Malcolm Bullitt, 1341 Third St.
3. 97 volumes from Mrs. John L. Woodbury. These books are from her father's Confederate collection.
4. 1 picture "Monticello" presented by Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation, 115 Broadway, New York, N. Y. and the Louisville Courier-Journal, through Mr. O. E. Britton.

Upon motion these gifts were accepted and the Librarian instructed to send letters of thanks.

The Librarian announced that the Ohio Valley Regional Group of Catalogers met in Louisville Saturday, April 4, at a luncheon meeting and that there were sixty-one reservations. The Library Board was represented by Dr. Hemphill and Mrs. Abbott, Dr. Hemphill extending a welcome in the name of the Library Board. The Librarian reported that the letters from the visitors, after their return home, had all been very pleasant.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

April 8, 1925

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance on April 1 of \$16,275.28 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$19,275.28.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS.A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and ordered filed.

Mr. Barker read letter as follows:

March  
Sixteenth  
1925

Mr. Geo. T. Settle,  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
City

Dear Sir: -

After our conference on Saturday afternoon, March 14th, 1925, I am of the opinion that the additional insurance should be immediately taken out on

148960.00



207,000.00  
 148,760.00  
 355,760.00  
 963.96  
 405,760.00

Kaufman-Straus property. This would increase insurance from \$207,000.00 to \$355,760.00, or an increase of \$148,760.00. The premium approximately \$963.96 for three years. I think, as this is property owned by a branch of the City Government, that the Kentucky Actuarial Bureau ought to consider the question of whether the stamp tax applies and the Bureau should also furnish uniform forms or recommend the proper uniform forms.

As to the Main Library and Branches, I agree with you that the danger of fire is not so great. The main building is not close enough to any other building to be in danger. In fact, about the only way a fire could originate would be from defective wiring, lightning or negligence. The amount involved in the branches is much smaller. However, all this can be taken up at the time of making the budget for 1926.

Very truly yours

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(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Upon motion the action of the committee was approved.

Kaufman-Straus Company submitted the following figures of repairs being done on the Kaufman-Straus building, with the suggestion that additional insurance to this amount be taken out as the work being done is part of the building and should be replaced by the Library in case of fire.

<u>WINDOWS</u>		
Platoff & Bush		\$ 27,272.00
Theobald Jansen		3,100.00
<u>AWNINGS</u>		
Beverly Company		1,200.00
<u>WIRING</u>		
Marker Electric Co.		4,246.37
Muench Company		6,721.00
<u>GENERAL CONTRACT</u>		
Rommel Company		40,000.00
<u>PLUMBING</u>		
Hach Company (installed)		5,328.00
<u>PAINTING</u>		
Lankswert		3,000.00
Lankswert		1,200.00
<u>LIGHTING</u>		
Burdorf		900.00
<u>HARDWARE</u>		
Belknap Co.		1,191.00
<u>FLOOR &amp; COLUMNS</u>		
Zenitherm Co. (installed)		10,600.00
Zenitherm Co. first floor		13,000.00
Zenitherm Co. columns		4,700.00
<u>CONVEYORS</u>		
Dow Company	x	9,500.00

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<u>TUBES</u>			
Lamson Company	x	15,000.00	
<u>LOCKERS</u>			
Durabilt Co.	x	<u>1,700.00</u>	
			\$ 148,658.37
		1700.00	
		15000.00	
		<u>9500.00</u>	
			<u>26,200.00</u>
			\$ 122,458.37

Upon motion this was referred to the Chairman of the Finance Committee and the Librarian, with power to act.

There was some discussion touching the question of the sale of the Kaufman-Straus building. On motion by Dr. Rauch, duly seconded, the Finance Committee was requested to make a report on the question of selling Kaufman-Straus property and the estimated income from reinvestment in order that the Board may determine whether a sale would be advantageous, copies of such report to be mailed to all members at least one week prior to monthly meeting in May.

Upon motion the Library Committee is authorized to loan Museum material to branch libraries. This is to relieve the crowded condition of the Museum, to receive other gifts as they may be made.

The Librarian's report for March was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 131,040 volumes, a decrease of 3,913 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 75,824 volumes were circulated to adults and 55,216 to children, forty-five per cent of the circulation being fiction. The report shows that 982 new borrowers were registered during the month, making a total of 59,842 persons registered. The report of the Reference department shows 18,830 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There was an attendance of 2,091 in the Civics room and the visitors to the Museum numbered 2,437. There were 456 volumes added to the library in March and 634 volumes cataloged, making a total of 267,182 volumes available for public use.

The Building Committee, upon recommendation of the Librarian, recommended to the Library Board that shelving in the Catalog Department to relieve stacks

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and necessary pointing of steps and walls and setting of arch stone over front door be attended to immediately. Mr. Thruston of the Building Committee suggested that the arch stone over the front door be attended to immediately. The budget allows \$3,500.00 for repairs and improvements and to date we have spent \$749.46, leaving a balance of \$2,750.54. The repairs contemplated included repairing arch stone and pointing steps, partitioning stations department and shelving in Catalog room. Upon motion the recommendation of the committee was approved and the partition in stations department deferred until September, if funds are not available this fiscal year.

The Librarian's report for March showing an expenditure of \$11,913.09 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$7,989.47, voucher No. 21, checks Nos. 1335-1431 inclusive, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid April 1. This leaves a balance of \$3,923.62, voucher No. 22, checks Nos. 1432-1515 inclusive to be paid:

American Library Association	\$ 3.25
American Multigraph Sales Co.	2.56
A.J. Anderson	10.12
Arctic Ice Co.	21.62
Robert L. Badger	64.80
Bailey, Stuart and Co.	64.80
Baker and Taylor Co.	5.79
Barret, Robinson and Dickey	14.80
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	7.78
Booker and Kinnaird	14.81
R. R. Bowker Co.	8.56
Brakmeier Bros.	1.55
Brandt-Connors and Fowler	5.10
Breckel Press	8.75
John T. Breitbeil	8.00
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.	4.47
California Sun Parlor and School of Beauty Culture	2.15
Central Glass Co.	3.25
Chapman Insurance Agency	48.60
Childers Electric Co.	8.49
Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.	60.67
H. C. Curry	1.50
Mrs. Fannie Casseday Duncan	15.00
Elbert Coal Co.	177.44
Electric Blue Print and Supply Co.	2.25
Gaylord Brothers	146.55
Gibson-Winer and Co.	64.80
Charles D. Greer and Co.	45.36
Gulf Refining Co.	19.16

Hammer Printing and Office Supply Co.	5.00
Robert L. Hawes and Co.	64.80
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	2.50
H. S. Hirshberg	3.50
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Hubbuck Bros. and Wellendorff	3.75
R. Jeunesse and Sons	5.85
Jewish Publication Society of America	5.00
Kaufman-Straus Co.	226.66
Kee-Lox Manufacturing Co.	4.50
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	265.80
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind	15.35
Knott Bros.	64.80
Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.	2.44
Ray Krider	2.50
Library Bureau	27.00
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Chemical Co.	32.49
Louisville Gas and Electric Co.	145.52
Louisville Home Telephone Exchange	39.25
Louisville Paper Co.	47.76
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Anna Blanche McGill	13.80
Mitchell Bros.	3.50
John P. Morton and Co.	5.60
Macmillan Co.	1.44
Mann Insurance Agency	64.80
Miller Paper Co.	5.99
Moellmann and Hennessy	14.80
Mueller-Metzner Co.	10.00
Joseph J. Nelligan and Co.	64.80
New York Commercial	3.00
Otis Elevator Co.	33.41
Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.	6.78
Penn Publishing Co.	12.83
Perry-Beam Insurance Agency	64.80
Pirtle, Weaver and Menefee	39.49
Russell Sage Foundation	4.17
George T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	86.23
Sharp Insurance Agency	64.80
Short's Tire Service	12.48
J. E. Sikking	13.60
Southeastern Paper Co.	11.20
Standard Printing Co.	100.65
W. K. Stewart Co.	191.00
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	19.16
Sweeney and Thompson	93.96
Tehan and Head	2.63
Mary E. Theobald	2.25
Vaughan and Co.	64.80
John A. Vetter	64.80
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	946.59

Prince Wells Co.	5.06
Western Union Telegraph Co.	3.75
Richard R. Williams	<u>64.80</u>
	\$ 3,923.62
Pd) George T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	<u>7,989.47</u>
Total . . . . .	\$ 11,913.09

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business the Secretary announced that this was the time for the annual election of officers and asked for nominations for President. Upon motion Mayor Quin was unanimously<sup>ly</sup> elected President and upon motion the Vice-President Secretary and Treasurer were re-elected. President Quin announced the standing committees for the year as follows:

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Edward L. Powell, Chairman  
 George W. Schuhmann                      Henry B. Heyburn  
 Mrs. Hoyt Gamble

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Philip Ossmann, Chairman  
 Edgar Y. Mullins                      R. C. Ballard Thruston  
 Mrs. Carl Abbott

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thomas A. Barker, Chairman  
 Charles K. Hemphill                      Adolph O. Pfingst  
 Joseph Rauch

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Mayor Huston Quin, Chairman  
 Philip Ossmann                      Thomas A. Barker  
 Edward L. Powell

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

May 13-1925

Huston Quin President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday May 13, 1925 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Dr. Pfingst, Mayor Quin, Dr. Rauch, Monsignor Schuhmann, Mr. Thruston and the Librarian, with President Quin in the chair. Dr. Powell and Dr. Mullins were reported out of the city and Mr. Ossmann unable to attend.

The minutes of the regular April 8 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter of April 15, 1925 from Board of Education, Louisville, Ky.

April 15, 1925

To the Board of Trustees of the  
Free Public Library,  
City

Gentlemen:

Acting under and in accordance with the resolution of the Board of Education of the City of Louisville, Ky., adopted at a meeting of said Board held on March 28, 1922, said Board of Education does hereby transfer, assign, relinquish and quit claim unto the Louisville Free Public Library, as of said date of March 28, 1922, any and all right, title or interest it has, or may have in and to a bronze statue of Abraham Lincoln executed by George Grey Barnard and now located and standing upon or near the Fourth Street side of the property of said Free Public Library, between York Street and Broadway in the City of Louisville, Ky.

BOARD OF EDUCATION OF LOUISVILLE, KY.

By (Signed) ALBERT B. WEAVER, Pres.

Attest  
(Signed) HENRY B. MANLY  
Secretary

- b. Letter of April 25, 1925 from National Academy of Design, New York, New York.

April 25, 1925

George T. Settle, Esq.  
Secretary and Librarian  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Settle:

Your application for a Kanger Fund picture has been received. Full details covering our plan of distribution of these pictures

will be mailed to you within a fortnight.

Sincerely yours

(Signed) C. C. CURRAN  
Secretary

- c. Resolution on the death of Miss Fullerton, presented by Dr. Hemphill, committee named by President.

The Library Board records with great sorrow the death of Miss Caroline Q. Fullerton, Head of the Reference Department, who passed away after a very brief illness on April 14 last.

Miss Fullerton became a member of the library staff in May 1905 as assistant reference librarian and on the resignation of the Head of the Department was, in March 1910, appointed temporarily to this position and in the following September was made chief reference librarian, an office she continued to hold until her death. Miss Fullerton had therefore given twenty years of service and had been a large factor in the steady growth and efficiency of the library. By her quick intelligence, broad culture, attractive personality, un-failing courtesy, and devotion to duty, she fully met the many and varied demands of her office. She was a wise, sympathetic and effective department head, a strong force in maintaining a high morale in the whole library staff and in the best sense a servant of the public. Her death in the meridian of her life and usefulness brings a heavy loss to the library.

To her aged mother, bereaved of this loving daughter, the last of her children, the Board extends deepest sympathy. May the God of all comfort be her refuge and strength.

Upon motion this was to be spread on the minutes and the Secretary instructed to send a copy to the mother, Mrs. Jessie Q. Fullerton

- d. Resolution on the death of Miss Fullerton by committee from the library staff.

We, the committee from the staff of the Louisville Free Public Library, assembled at its regular staff meeting April 21, 1926, wish to offer the following resolution on the death of Caroline Quarrier Fullerton, Head of the Reference Department.

Resolved: That we pause and take note of the passing of one whose loyal service to this institution and the ideals for which it stands, and to the community, has left a deep mark. Her faithful devotion to duty, unswerving adherence to the right, made her a force for good on this staff, which regarded her not only with great respect, but affection. The work to which she set her hands will be carried on but her place will never be filled.

Resolved: That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library

Resolved: That a copy be sent to the mother, Mrs. Jessie Q. Fullerton, with the love and sympathy of the staff.

(Signed) Jennie Owen Cochran  
(Signed) Jennie M. Flexner  
(Signed) Clara L. Behrens  
(Signed) Marion I. Warden  
(Signed) Bernice W. Bell

- e. Letter of April 15, 1925 from Mr. Young E. Allison regarding the death of Miss Fullerton

April 15, 1925

My dear Mr. Settle:-

There are many users of the Louisville Free Public Library who will be, as I am, deeply regretful for the death of Miss Caroline Fullerton. She was singularly well-chosen for her place at the head of your reference department. Her infinite patience and good humor, decision of character and remarkably sympathetic appreciation of the scope and breadth of the service she organized, and so admirably conducted, were valued and recognized by every intelligent seeker in that room. During many years I have heard only praise of her work and the fine spirit of helpfulness she had encouraged and developed in her immediate staff.

Her strong but quiet personality will be greatly missed but the mark of her resolute yet kindly spirit will be found set upon the room. I am writing this to give expression to my very deep regret at her death in the very flower of her usefulness.

Yours sincerely

(Signed) YOUNG E. ALLISON

George T. Settle, Esq., Librarian  
Louisville Free Public Library

- f. Librarian's letter of April 11, 1925 to Mr. O. P. Ward, architect:

April 11, 1925

Mr. O. P. Ward, Architect and Engineer  
Lincoln Bank Bldg.  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Ward:

The Library Board at its meeting Wednesday, April 8, instructed the Librarian to immediately attend to the arch stone over the front door and to have the pointing necessary on the walls and steps taken care of, and to build shelves in the Catalog Department necessary to relieve stacks.

It was thought best to employ an architect to supervise the work. I wish you would see what is to be done and take necessary steps to have it attended to. The replacing of the arch stone should be attended to at your very earliest convenience. This is to confirm conversation regarding the work.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Librarian



- g. Statement made by the Librarian regarding the erection of a new library building and community center house in the Shawnee district.

May 13, 1925

Rev. H. C. Hadley, D. D., pastor of the Memorial Lutheran Church, representing a committee from the Shawnee Welfare Club, called on the Mayor today (May 13, 1925) to learn what steps had been taken toward meeting their request for a building on the Shawnee branch library site for a library and social center activities. He asked if they would raise the \$50,000. would the library make the primary object of the work in this building gymnasium work with boys. See Record book No. 5, page 187 for action on this matter at the March 11, 1925 meeting.

Upon receipt of this letter Dr. Hadley telephoned me that he would meet with the committee that evening. I said it would not be possible to get them together and besides the understanding was that the committee would be gotten together only when he was in a position to state definitely that funds could be raised for such a building.

He seems to think they can raise \$50,000. or more but two ladies connected with organizations in the west end tell me they doubt it very much and referred to the difficulty they had in raising \$4,000. for the temporary building, but wish him success and will help him.

I said to Dr. Hadley that I was quite sure the Library Board would not agree to make the primary activities in the building on this site gymnasium work for boys and girls, dining room for gatherings and room large enough and ceiling high enough for basket ball. He says the ceiling should be at least 20 feet.

I said to Dr. Hadley that just as soon as they were able to say they could raise this money we would submit some pencil sketches of floor plans for a building to combine library and play room facilities, to be submitted to his committee, but that the building and all activities would be under the jurisdiction of the Library Board.

Upon motion it was unanimously agreed that under our charter, we have no right to give authority for the use of a building beyond the control of the Library Board and for this reason it was thought best not to undertake to erect such a building as Dr. Hadley and his committee desire. This motion rescinds the action of March 11, 1925. The Librarian was instructed to write Dr. Hadley of the action of the Board.

The Librarian announced that the Parkland branch and Jefferson Branch libraries were robbed Friday night, May 8, and about \$4.00 taken from Parkland and \$1.00 from Jefferson. Nothing else was missing from the two buildings. The buildings were broken into.

The Librarian announced that the Main library and 9 branches were closed April 15 (2:30 - 4 p.m.) during the hour of Miss Fullerton's funeral.

The Librarian stated that the oaths of affirmation for Mr. Thurston,

Mr. Heyburn and Monsignor Schuhmann have been received and are on file.

The Librarian announced that the Kentucky Library Association met at Middlesboro, Kentucky, May 7 and 8 and that he, with a number of the staff, attended making the trip in automobiles, Miss Flexner of the staff being President of the Association for the year.

The Librarian submitted a list of the most popular books for April, as follows:

Fiction	
Arlen	Green hat
Sedgwick	Little French girl
Lewis	Arrowsmith
Barrington	Divine lady
Galsworthy	White monkey
Walpole	Old ladies
Kelly	Mansion house
Forster	Passage to India
Masefield	Sard Harker
O'Higgins	Julie Kane
Non-fiction	
Maurois	Ariel
Clemens	Autobiography of Mark Twain
Skinner	Footlights and spotlights
Beebe	Galapagos
Trowbridge	Seven splendid sinners
Lowell	Life of Keats
Bok	Twice thirty
Dreiser	Color of a great city
White	Life of Woodrow Wilson
Wiggam	New decalogue of science

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

May 13, 1925

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance on May 1, 1925 of \$12,131.07 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$15,131.07.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER  
Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and ordered filed.

Mr. Barker read as follows:

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Finance Committee met in the Librarian's office May 4, 1926 at 5 p.m. and adopted the attached resolution. As instructed by the Board at its last meeting a copy was mailed to each Trustee.

Your committee has considered the proposition made to it concerning

the sale of the Kaufman-Straus property.

After January 1928 the rental will be \$71,947.52 and after payment of interest, insurance and \$5,000.00 on the principal, the sum received for the year 1928 will be approximately \$51,000.00. This income will increase about \$300.00 per year by reason of reduction of debt. If the property were sold at one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) the net income based on 5% investment, after payment of mortgage, would be \$36,250.00. If sold for \$1,250,000.00 it would be \$48,750.00. If the property were sold it is very doubtful about the assessed value but it would not exceed nine hundred thousand dollars (\$900,000.00) and the city tax at present rate would be approximately \$18,000.00.

We believe that by retaining the property and after the increased rental reducing the indebtedness by at least \$15,000.00 per year that the city will derive much more benefit than from sale and subjecting property to taxation. It may be difficult to find 5% investment in 1928. However the rental is fixed and we can feel absolutely sure that the rental value will increase. It is very probable that when the present mortgage expires we may be able to refinance at less than 5%. The bonds are not subject to taxes and our interest rate should not exceed 4 or 4½ per cent.

Present: Mr. Thomas A. Barker, Chairman, Dr. Charles R. Hemphill, Rabbi Joseph Rauch, George T. Settle. Dr. Pfingst was out of the city.

It was moved by Dr. Rauch and seconded by Dr. Hemphill that no proposition for the sale of this property be considered for the present. Upon motion this was approved.

Mr. Barker read as follows:

The question of adding another \$100,000.00 insurance on the Kaufman-Straus building to include the repairs that are being made that would be considered part of the building, such as elevators, etc., was considered and upon motion the Librarian was authorized to increase the insurance \$50,000.00. This insurance is to be pro-rated to insurance agencies, members of the Louisville Board of Fire Underwriters, for a term of three years at .648. This will amount to \$324.00.

The present insurance is \$355,760.00 - \$50,000.00 additional will make a total of \$405,760.00 insurance on the building.

Your special committee was authorized to act but requests a motion approving the action of the committee.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER  
Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved. This authorizes the Librarian to take out \$50,000.00 additional insurance on the Kaufman-Straus building.

The Librarian's report for April was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 116,042 volumes, a decrease of 5,590 as com-

pared to the same month last year. Of this number 67,854 volumes were circulated to adults and 48,188 to children, fifty-one per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 694 new borrowers registered during the month, making a total of 59,825 persons registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 16,891 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. The attendance in the Civics room was 2,122 and there were 1,954 visitors to the Museum. There were 710 volumes added to the library in April and 1,385 volumes cataloged, making 267,892 volumes available for public use.

At this point Monsignor Schuhmann, acting Chairman of the Library Committee, read the Librarian's recommendations as follows:

1. Mrs. Alexander McLennen, 1500 South Third Street, asked me to feel out the members of the Board as to the advisability of a group of Miss Fullerton's friends asking to place a bronze memorial tablet in the building. I told Mrs. McLennen that a similar movement was made after the death of one of our trustees but that no action was taken on it for the reason that they did not want to begin such a practice. At that time I suggested that a portrait be presented to the library as a memorial from friends. This was done. I suggested to Mrs. McLennen that a painting be purchased with an inscription placed on it as a memorial to Miss Fullerton.

I have been advised by Librarians all over the country in discussing similar movements that it is a bad practice to place memorials. "In a little while the building would be pasted up with memorial tablets if it is ever started." I should like some expression on this.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Librarian

\* See page 208

2. Upon motion of the Library Committee the question of filling the position of Head of the Reference Department was deferred until the Librarian is in a position to make a recommendation. In the meanwhile, Mrs. Williams, Senior Assistant in the Reference Department, is to have charge of the work. Upon motion this was approved.

The Librarian's report for April showing an expenditure of \$12,440.78 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll \$8,266.84, voucher No. 23, checks Nos. 1516-1610 inclusive, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid May 1. This leaves a balance of \$4,173.94,

voucher No. 24, checks Nos. 1611-1687 inclusive to be paid:

William Abbatt	\$ 5.50
American Child Health Association	1.50
American Library Association	6.81
American Multigraph Sales Co.	1.81
American Railway Engineering Association	8.00
Arctic Ice Co.	27.17
Baker and Taylor Co.	9.24
Baptist Book Concern	3.15
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	28.72
Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.	33.82
Booker and Kinnaird	7.05
Brakmeier Bros.	2.75
John T. Breitbeil	8.00
Caron Directory Co.	144.00
Carter Dry Goods Co.	3.82
Central Glass Co.	5.20
Central School Supply Co.	2.50
Childers Electric Co.	13.35
Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.	60.25
C. T. Dearing Printing Co.	18.75
Devin-Adair Co.	4.24
Dodd, Moad and Co.	17.00
R. O. Dusch	25.70
Elbert Coal Co.	27.26
Henry E. Crampton, Treas. Eugenics Committee of U.S.A.	10.00
Falls City Buggy Top Co.	3.50
J. W. Fischer	4.60
Gaylord Bros.	2.54
Gulf Refining Co.	19.16
Hammer Printing and Office Supply Co.	13.00
Robert L. Hawes and Co.	18.06
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	2.40
T. J. Hoke	3.00
H. R. Huntting Co.	7.56
Indiana Department of Conservation	3.00
R. Jeunesse and Sons	81.70
Kaufman-Straus Co.	186.40
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	478.50
Library Bureau	49.65
Lodenkemper Bros.	5.20
Longs Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Chemical Co.	26.12
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	136.49
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Paper Co.	19.95
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Anna Blanche McGill	35.25
Macmillan Co.	40.83
Manhattan Back Number Newspaper Shoppe	5.00
Miller Paper Co.	7.50
Milliken Battery Service Co.	46.60
Mitchell Bros.	2.60
John P. Morton and Co.	106.25
Mueller-Metzner Co.	10.00

Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Patterson American Educational Directory	4.80
Pirtle, Weaver and Menefee	22.50
Waldo S. Pratt	2.00
Premier Publishing Co.	5.00
J. V. Reed and Co.	16.00
Remington Typewriter Co.	7.00
Royal Typewriter Co.	2.00
Schwarz, Clifford and Scott	11.95
George T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	117.67
Short's Tire Service	60.06
J. E. Sikking	109.50
T. Grant Slaughter	51.95
Southeastern Paper Co.	38.86
Standard Printing Co.	174.60
W. K. Stewart Co.	766.01
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	193.13
Tehan and Head	5.63
Tri-City Electric Co.	6.25
E. S. Watson	1.50
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	886.35
Prince Wells Co.	1.65
H. W. Wilson Co.	2.40

4,173.94

Pd) George T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll 8,266.84

Total . . . . . \$ 12,440.78

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

\* Upon motion it was thought best not to begin the placing of bronze memorial tablets in the building and not to encourage the donation of portraits and paintings as memorials, but it was suggested that the library would be pleased to receive books, subject to approval, in which would be placed gift labels as memorials. These books would be cataloged and placed as other books in the library.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Sept 9-1925

W. H. Austin President

G. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

June 10, 1925

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library was not held on the above date because of lack of quorum. The following letter was sent to the Executive Committee:

June 11, 1925

Mayor Huston Quin, Chairman	)	
Dr. E. L. Powell	)	Executive Committee
Mr. Thomas A. Barker	)	Board of Trustees
Mr. Philip Ossmann	)	
Louisville Free Public Library		
Louisville, Ky.		

Gentlemen:

We were unable to have the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees yesterday, June 10, on account of the lack of quorum. Dr. Mullins, Dr. Pfingst, and Mr. Thruston are out of the city and Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Heyburn, Mr. Ossmann, and Monsignor Schuhmann were unable to attend.

Since there is no likelihood of a called meeting before July 1, it is recommended that the bills for the month amounting to \$1,366.70 be paid by order of the Executive Committee. It is also recommended that the payment of \$7,562.50, interest on mortgage, be approved by the Executive Committee. This is due June 15, 1925.

Since there is no likelihood of a Board meeting before September, it is recommended that Miss Cora M. Beatty and Miss Imogene Greenaway be granted leave of absence for one year beginning September 1 to attend library school. Miss Beatty will go to the Western Reserve University Library School at Cleveland and Miss Greenaway will go to the New York State Library School at Albany.

If the above recommendations meet with your approval please sign below and return.

Yours very truly

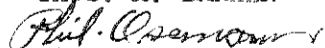
(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

GTS/S

APPROVED:

(Signed) HUSTON QUIN  
 (Signed) E. L. POWELL  
 (Signed) THOS. A. BARKER



This approval included bills which were paid as follows:

American Book Company	\$ 20.91
American Multigraph Sales Co.	12.21
Arctic Ice Co.	27.27

Baker and Taylor Co.	7.65
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	26.88
John T. Breitbeil	8.00
Caron Directory Co.	6.40
Childers Electric Co.	33.16
Arthur H. Clark Co.	5.19
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	62.31
H. C. Curry	9.00
Custom House Guide	5.00
Diem and Wing Paper Co.	2.28
Electric Blue Print and Supply Co.	4.50
F. W. Faxon Co.	3.00
George G. Fetter Co.	4.75
J. W. Fischer	2.80
Gaylord Bros.	23.80
Hammer Printing and Office Supply Co.	2.50
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	14.65
T. J. Hoke	3.00
H. R. Huntting Co.	29.00
Kaufman-Straus Co.	243.41
Kelly Publishing Co.	20.00
Kentucky Geological Survey	7.50
Raymond Krider	3.25
F. W. Lee Publishing Co.	10.00
Library of Congress	100.00
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Longmans, Green and Co.	7.48
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	118.01
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	9.21
Anna Blanche McGill	18.58
Mayes Printing Co.	14.75
Miller Paper Co.	7.50
Mississippi Historical Society	5.00
Mitchell Bros.	2.60
John P. Morton and Co.	15.60
Mueller-Metzner Co.	10.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.	3.02
George T. Settle, K. L. A. expenses	25.65
George T. Settle, Librarian, Petty Cash	108.96
Southeastern Paper Co.	8.25
Standard Oil Co.	19.16
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	19.16
E. F. Swindler	33.00
Mary E. Theobald	24.98
United Glue Factories	17.56
Prince Wells Co.	33.75
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	104.01
	<u>1 366.70</u>
Pd) George T. Settle, Librarian, Pay Roll	8 125.99
Louisville Trust Co., Int. on mortgage, due June 15	<u>7,562.50</u>
Total . . .	\$ 17 055.19

MINUTES APPROVED:

Sept 9 - 1925

Houston Linn President  
Geo. T. Settle Secretary



## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

July 8, 1925

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library was not held on the above date because of lack of quorum. The following letter was sent to the Executive Committee:

July 9, 1925

Mayor Huston-Quin, Chairman )  
 Dr. E. L. Powell ) Executive Committee  
 Mr. Thomas A. Barker ) Board of Trustees  
 Mr. Philip Ossmann )  
 Louisville Free Public Library  
 Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

We were unable to have the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees yesterday, July 8, on account of the lack of quorum. Mrs. Abbott, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Rauch, Dr. Powell and Mr. Thruston are out of the city.

Since there is no likelihood of a meeting before August 1, it is recommended that the bills for the month amounting to \$4,369.83 be paid by order of the Executive Committee. If this is agreeable please sign below and return by bearer.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SHITTLE

Secretary and Librarian

GTS/S

APPROVED:

(Signed) PHIL. OSSMANN  
 (Signed) HUSTON QUIN  
 (Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

This approval included bills which were paid as follows:

American Book Company	\$ 52.19
American Concrete Institute	8.00
American Multigraph Sales Co.	1.65
American Prison Association	3.00
Arctic Ice Co.	32.27
R. M. Baggerly	459.48
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Department	13.82
Wolf Blitz Glass Co.	7.87
Robert L. Badger	32.40
Bailey, Stuart and Co.	32.40
Belknap Hardware and Mfg. Co.	11.76
Brakmeier Bros.	1.38

John T. Breitbeil	8.00
Chapman Insurance Agency	32.40
Childers Electric Co.	17.29
Community Chest	6.25
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	60.25
C. T. Dearing Printing Co.	4.25
Diem and Wing Paper Co.	16.28
Dodd, Mead and Co.	54.90
R. O. Dusch	10.40
J. W. Fischer	2.60
Gardiner and Co.	10.00
Gaylord Bros.	4.25
Charles D. Greer and Co.	32.40
Gulf Refining Co.	19.16
Hammer Printing and Office Supply Co.	1.00
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	1.63
D. C. Heath and Co.	17.00
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Carl T. Hoppe	17.50
Hubbuck Bros and Wellendorff	2.25
International Time Recording Co.	7.15
R. Jeunesse and Sons	60.05
Kaufman-Straus Co.	461.60
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	140.30
Kentucky Tent and Awning Co.	200.00
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind	11.00
Klein Bros.	2.50
Knott Bros.	32.40
Lampton Crane and Ramey Co.	4.00
Lodentemper Bros.	5.20
Longmans, Green and Co.	59.32
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	39.25
Louisville Gas and Electric Co.	114.77
Louisville Paper Co.	34.33
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Anna Blanche McGill	23.28
Macmillan Co.	129.30
John P. Morton and Co.	65.25
Mann Insurance Agency	32.40
Meffert Equipment Co.	13.25
Miller Paper Co.	36.92
Office Equipment Co.	1.35
National Society Daughters of the American Revolution	42.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Otte and Kennedy	1.50
L. C. Page and Co.	31.16
Perry-Beun Insurance Agency	32.40
Pirtle, Weaver and Menefee	32.40
Allen M. Reager and Co.	32.40
Royal Typewriter Co.	32.25
Charles Scribner's Sons	53.99
George T. Settle, Librarian Petty Cash	95.87
George T. Settle	437.01
Sharp Insurance Agency	32.40
Short's Tire Service	11.95
Southeastern Paper Co.	5.25
Standard Oil Co.	19.20
Standard Printing Co.	87.30
W. K. Stewart Co.	675.96

Stith and Harris	14.10
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	24.00
Tri-City Electric Co.	39.50
United Business Service	52.00
Vaughan and Co.	32.40
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	86.94
Western Union Telegraph Co.	4.50
Albert Whitman Co.	33.00
H. W. Wilson Co.	2.40
Samuel M. Wilson	2.00
Helen M. Winslow	3.10
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	4 369.83
Pd) George T. Settle, Librarian Pay Roll	8 276.10
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	\$12 645.93

MINUTES APPROVED:

Sept 9-1925

Walter Linn President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

August 12, 1925

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library was not held on the above date because of lack of quorum.

The following letter was sent to the Executive Committee:

August 12, 1925

Mayor Huston Quin, Chairman )  
 Dr. E. L. Powell ) Executive Committee, Board of Trustees  
 Mr. Thomas A. Barker ) Louisville Free Public Library  
 Mr. Philip Ossmann )  
 Louisville, Kentucky

Gentlemen:

We are unable to have a meeting of the Board of Trustees, Louisville Free Public Library, today (August 12) on account of lack of quorum. Eight members of the Board are out of the city, Mr. Barker, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Dr. Rauch, Monsig. Schuhmann and Mr. Thruston.

Since the fiscal year ends August 31 and there is no likelihood of a called meeting before September 1, it is necessary that the bills be approved and paid for the expert accountant to begin his work. The bills to be paid amount to \$6,323.32, and the pay roll paid on August 1, amounted to \$8,133.01. These payments end the fiscal year, leaving a balance of \$1.30.

Since we are unable to have a Board meeting because of the lack of quorum in the city, I recommend that the bills be paid and that the Treasurer be authorized to borrow money from time to time as necessary beginning September 1, 1925, for pay roll and bills. The Executive Committee has approved this recommendation for several years.

If the above recommendations meet with your approval, please sign below and return.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SMITTLE

Secretary and Librarian

APPROVED:

(Signed) HUSTON QUIN  
 (Signed) THOS. A. BARKER  
 (Signed) PHIL. OSSMANN

This approval included bills which were paid as follows:

American Library Association	\$ 1.45
American Multigraph Sales Co.	1.65
A. J. Anderson	169.79
Arctic Ice Co.	31.77

Samuel L. Avery and Co.	56.51
Back Number Newspaper Shoppe	3.00
Robin M. Baggerly	2.87
Barret, Robinson & Dickey	58.50
J. W. E. Bayly & Co.	51.84
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	54.50
Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.	38.47
Bloom & Herrmann	38.85
Booker & Kinnaird	56.51
John T. Breitbeil	8.00
Breuer & Co.	25.88
Brown & Martin	29.16
Burkley and Tierney	58.32
Carpenter & Dudley	25.90
Carter Dry Goods Co.	4.23
Century Co.	23.61
Childers Electric Co.	31.05
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	97.08
Danforth & Co.	32.40
H. V. Davis & Co.	57.65
O. M. Dillman Sales Co.	4.15
Dugan, Humphreys & Co.	25.92
R. O. Dusch	15.40
E. P. Dutton and Co.	18.33
Falls City Buggy Top Co.	5.50
Geo. G. Fetter Co.	10.00
J. W. Fischer	2.60
Gardiner and Co.	10.00
Gaunt & Harris	51.84
Gaylord Bros.	89.18
The Gilding Shop	92.75
Gulf Refining Co.	19.20
Hammer Printing & Office Supply Co.	1.00
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	1.75
Higgin Mfg. Co.	9.00
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Hummel and Meyer	46.50
Hunter and Hellman	90.72
Jefferson, Noyes and Embry	12.96
R. Jeunesse and Sons	18.30
Kaufman-Straus Co.	326.52
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	686.10
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind	15.85
C. A. Knollenberg	6.25
Lampton, Crane & Ramey Co.	12.15
Chas. A. Lang Agency	12.96
Henry H. Lang	12.96
Liberty Fire Insurance Co.	40.02
Library Bureau	61.00
Logan Company	370.82
Longmans, Green & Co.	21.26
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Chemical Co.	23.75
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	106.53
Louisville Grocery Co.	6.75
Louisville Paper Co.	87.00

Louisville Home Telephone Co.	27.00
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Macmillan Co.	503.47
Macpherson and Co.	103.52
Edw. J. Miller and Co.	71.17
Miller Paper Co.	15.00
Mississippi Valley Historical Association	5.00
Mitchell Bros.	5.30
Moellmann and Hennessy	40.10
John P. Morton and Co.	129.70
National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution	3.00
Office Equipment Co.	42.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.	6.28
Peter & Burghard Stone Co.	71.50
Pirtle, Weaver and Menefee	84.24
Reisert Insurance Agency	12.96
Reutlinger and Co.	14.10
Wm. Schoene, Sr.	137.00
Schwarz, Clifford and Scott	12.84
Geo. T. Settle, Librarian - Petty Cash	86.46
Short's Tire Service	14.16
J. E. Sikking	15.60
J. B. Slaughter & Co.	38.88
T. Grant Slaughter	82.40
Southeastern Paper Co.	43.95
Southern Historical Society	3.15
Standard Automobile Co.	145.00
Standard Printing Co.	297.30
Standard Printing Co.	180.00
G. E. Stechert and Co.	10.40
W. K. Stewart Co.	216.10
Stith and Harris	45.50
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	19.20
Timberlake & Trueheart	45.36
Tippett, Walker and Cronan	12.96
J. M. Todd and Co.	12.96
Viglioni and Langan	12.96
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	76.65
Prince Wells Co.	21.07
B. Westermann Co.	6.00
H. W. Wilson Co.	<u>344.77</u>
	6 323.32
Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Librarian - Pay Roll	<u>8 133.01</u>
Total . . . .	\$ 14 456.33

MINUTES APPROVED:

Sept 9-1925

W. K. Stewart President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

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## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday September 9, 1925 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Powell, Mayor Quin, Dr. Rauch, Monsig. Schuhmann and the Librarian, with President Quin in the chair. Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Dr. Mullins and Mr. Thruston were reported out of the city and Dr. Pfingst unable to attend.

The minutes of the May 13, 1925 meeting were read and upon motion approved. There being no meetings June 10, July 8 and August 12 because of lack of quorum in the city the action of the Executive Committee covering these meetings upon motion was approved.

\* The Secretary read communications as follows:

a. Librarian's letter to Rev. H. C. Hadley, D. D. as follows:

May 14, 1925

Rev. H. C. Hadley, D.D.  
Representing Shawnee Welfare Club  
3811 W. Broadway  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Dr. Hadley:

The Library Board at its meeting Wednesday, May 13, 1925, upon motion, duly seconded, unanimously agreed that under our charter, the Louisville Free Public Library has no right to grant authority to use any buildings erected on its sites for other than library purposes. The question considered was incorporating in the building and maintaining them, a gymnasium and room large enough for basket ball purposes under a separate organization or management of the library.

The motion rescinded our action of March 11, included in letter sent to you March 12.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Secretary and Librarian

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b. Resignation of Anita S. Lazarus, as follows:

May 29, 1925

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

My dear Mr. Settle:

I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the staff of the

Louisville Free Public Library, to take effect June 20, 1925.

My associations with the Library have been very pleasant, and I thank you and the Board for the courtesies extended to me.

Yours very truly

(Signed) ANITA S. LAZARUS

- c. Resignation of Katherine C. Johnson, as follows:

July 1, 1925

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

My dear Mr. Settle:

I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the staff of the Louisville Free Public Library, to take effect July 18.

My associations with the Library have been very pleasant and I thank you and the Board for the courtesies extended to me.

Yours very truly

(Signed) KATHERINE C. JOHNSON

Upon motion these resignations were accepted.

- d. Letter from Mayor Quin, announcing the appointment of Mr. Philip Kanzler, accountant, as follows:

August 24, 1925

Mr. Geo. T. Settle  
Librarian,  
City

My dear Mr. Settle:

I have appointed Mr. Phil Kanzler, accountant, recommended by Mr. W. T. Baskett, to examine the books of the Library for the fiscal year. I have requested him to report to you.

Very truly,

(Signed) HUSTON QUIN

*Mr. Kanzler has completed the audit and his report is submitted with the <sup>Mayor</sup> Librarian's report.*

- e. Letter from Mrs. Jas. S. Lutz, Secretary, Highland Park Civic League, as follows:

August 24, 1925

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

Dear Sir:

The Library Committee of the Highland Park Civic League desire to meet with the Library Board at the September meeting, as we have an important matter to bring before them. We will appreciate it if



you will arrange this meeting for us, and let us hear from you in regard to same.

Yours truly,

(Signed) MRS. JAS. S. LUTZ  
Secretary

4349 Park Blvd.

Under the head of new business this committee (Mrs. Jas. S. Lutz, 4349 Park Blvd., Mrs. E. M. Jones, 142 Wentworth Avenue, Mrs. J. D. Augustus, 4780 Ashbottom Road, Mrs. John Schlafer, 4439 Park Blvd.) was admitted and Mrs. Lutz made the statement that they had in mind the purchase of a site for a branch library at Highland Park, subject to the approval of the Board.

Upon motion it was approved that the Building Committee and the Librarian be authorized to see this lot and make report to the Board. The Librarian asked if they had funds to erect a building. Mrs. Lutz replied that they did not have funds yet to buy the site but felt sure that if the Board approved the site it could be purchased and they could then raise the funds for the building easier.

- f. Letters from Fidelity and Columbia Trust Co., signed by L. F. Michael, Trust Officer, as follows:

August 27, 1925

Mr. Geo. T. Settle,  
Louisville Public Library  
City

Dear Mr. Settle:

Referring to our conversation of this morning we give you the following information concerning the distribution of the estate of Henry Watterson, deceased.

Mr. Watterson created a trust of his entire estate for the benefit of Mrs. Watterson, during her lifetime and "at her death to be divided and distributed as follows," etc. Under a codicil to Mr. Watterson's will he left his library, pictures, portraits, statuettes, curios to the Public Library of Louisville with \$5,000. in cash to be used to construct a special compartment to be known as "The Henry Watterson Alcove."

The above is self-explanatory and in answer to your inquiry as to what our position would be if Mrs. Watterson agrees that the entire bequest to the Library be settled we have this to say, that in the final settlement of the estate at the death of Mrs. Watterson we would probably find that the estate is considerably over-devised, and therefore even though Mrs. Watterson directs that we make the deduction from her life estate now we would not be willing to settle the entire bequest at this time.

We would be glad to talk to you further about the matter at your convenience.

Yours very truly

(Signed) L. F. MICHAEL  
Trust Officer

August 31, 1925

Mr. Geo. T. Settle,  
Secretary & Librarian  
Louisville Free Public Library  
City

Dear Mr. Settle:

Referring to your letter of August 28th, this Company as Executor and Trustee of the estate of Henry Watterson, deceased, will have no objections if Mrs. Watterson sees fit to deliver to you the library and other property which Mr. Watterson left to you under his will, subject to the life estate of Mrs. Watterson.

In regard to the cash bequest to the Library of \$5,000.00 for the purpose of building an alcove to contain the property bequeathed, as we intimated in our letter of recent date the estate has been considerable over-devised and therefore under no circumstances would the Trustee pay out the full sum. However, if Mrs. Watterson will give us specific directions to pay the bequest at this time, rather than at her death, we have no objections to paying, say \$3500 of the bequest, the balance to be settled at the time of Mrs. Watterson's death.

Yours very truly

(Signed) L. F. MICHAEL  
Trust Officer

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Upon motion the Librarian was authorized to accept these books and other material and \$3,500. of the \$5,000. willed to the library in a codicil by Mr. Watterson, provided it is approved by the City Attorney.

- g. The Librarian stated that the Courier-Journal desired to conduct a competitive contest for a design for the gift bookplate for the Watterson collection and will offer a prize for the design accepted, provided it is approved by Mrs. Watterson and there was no objection by the Library Board. The library will not be put to any expense. Upon motion this was approved.
- h. Secretary's letter to Louisville Trust Company, as follows:

September 1, 1925

Louisville Trust Co., Treasurer  
Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

By action of the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library, the Louisville Trust Company, Treasurer, is authorized to borrow funds from time to time as necessary, beginning September 1, 1925, to pay pay roll and monthly bills.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Secretary and Librarian

- i. Telegram from Oxford College asking for recommendation for a librarian

for Oxford College, as follows:

Mr. Settle

Librarian Louisville Free Library, Louisville, Ky.

Madeline Smith's death leaves vacancy Oxford College Library. Have you any one to suggest, prefer Louisville trained girl since library supplied by you several years. College opens next week. Wire collect.

Eleanor N. Adams

The Librarian will make a recommendation from the staff as soon as he learns what the position pays.

- j. The following gifts were announced for record in the minutes and upon motion they were accepted and the Librarian authorized to extend the thanks of the Board:

1. 65 volumes from Judge Alex P. Humphrey
2. Painting "Italian spinner" by Ferdinand G. Walker, value \$500, given by Mrs. Laura B. Cross, 924 S. Fourth St.
3. Portrait of Sallie Ward Downs by Healey, given by her granddaughter, Miss Ruth Hunt, Paris, France. *Also Ruth Hunt's portrait as a child. Ruth Hunt, now 1, 1/2 yrs. To Librarian, Secret Office, Summit, Summit, N. J.*

- k. The list of most popular books for August was read as follows: *Library of N. J. N. J. N. J.*

Fiction

Gibbs	Soundings
Barrington	Divine lady
Glasgow	Barren ground
Sedgwick	Little French girl
Reymont	Peasants
Lewis	Arrowsmith
Sabatini	Carolinian
Kennedy	Constant nymph
Wharton	Mother's recompense
Porter	Keeper of the bees

Non-fiction

Lowell	John Keats
Beebe	Galgaphos
Clemens	Autobiography of Mark Twain
Cooper	Grass
Bianchi	Life and letters of Emily Dickinson
Werner	Brigham Young
Maurice	Robert E. Lee, the soldier
Cushing	Life of Sir William Osler
Woolcott	Story of Irving Berlin
Lagerlof	Marbacka <i>as a book by Mrs. ...</i>

- l. Letters of September 7, 1925 from Mrs. Hoyt Gamble and letter of September 8, 1925 from Dr. E. Y. Mullins regarding filling the position of head of Reference Department were deferred until the question will be considered. Those letters had been read at the Library Committee meeting.
- m. The Librarian announced that the special committee (Monsig. Schuhmann, Mr. Barker and the Librarian) had appeared before the Jefferson County

Fiscal Court Friday June 5 and were allowed \$12,500 for library purposes for Jefferson County, an increase of \$2,500 over last year.

- n. It was recommended that there be no training class in the colored department of the library this year. The Librarian stated that the staff of the colored department was full (9) and there were eight names on the eligible list for positions as vacancies occur and for this reason think it advisable to discontinue the class again this year.

Upon motion this was approved.

- o. The Librarian stated that considerable additional insurance should be taken out on the Kaufman-Straus building, Main library and branch buildings and that tornado insurance should be taken on at least the Kaufman-Straus building.

Upon motion this was referred to the special committee (Mr. Barker and the Librarian ) with power to act.

Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Finance Committee, submitted the Treasurer's report for the year, together with Mr. Philip Kanzler's (expert accountant) report of audit, and read report as follows:

September 9, 1925

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report for the year ending August 31, 1925 is submitted herewith showing cash balance of \$1.30, together with the report of the expert accountant verifying this balance.

To this \$1.30 will be added \$3,000. rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$3,001.30.

By action of the Executive Committee the Louisville Trust Company, Treasurer, is authorized to borrow funds from time to time as necessary beginning September 1, 1925 to pay pay roll and current maintenance bills. Letter was sent to the Louisville Trust Company advising them of the action of the Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER  
Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and the reports ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for the year was submitted as follows:

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

FISCAL YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1925

The report of the Librarian of the Louisville Free Public Library for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1925 shows an increase in circulation of books, reference work, and other activities.

There are 453 centers for the circulation of books in 229 buildings in

Louisville and Jefferson County, an increase of 6 centers and one building. The circulation of books was 1,277,543 volumes, an increase of 17,615. In addition there were 20,678 pictures circulated. The report of circulation does not include the books used in reference work and read at the tables at the Main library and branches. No attempt is made to keep a record of the number of times a volume is read when it is taken out of the building.

**BOOKS IN LIBRARY** There are 262,574 volumes in the Library, a net increase of 4,189. There were 13,346 volumes added by purchase, binding and gift, and 9,157 discarded. The volumes circulated on an average of 4.86 times. There were 6,284 pamphlets added during the year, making a total of 114,070 pamphlets in the Library.

**BOOKS CATALOGED** There were 17,113 volumes cataloged. This makes a total of 381,511 books cataloged since the opening of the Library. Of the volumes cataloged during the year 3,819 were for the high school libraries.

**BORROWERS** There were 10,464 borrowers registered during the year. This makes a total of 59,680 citizens of Louisville and Jefferson County registered users of the Library, a net increase of 948. This does not include many children using books in classroom collections and many readers using books in the stations. The registration shows that 56,763 borrowers are living within the city limits, or that 21.9 per cent of the population of Louisville (258,465) according to the U. S. Census Bureau estimate of July 1, 1924, are availing themselves of public library privileges.

**USE OF BOOKS** The total circulation of books was 1,277,543 volumes, an increase of 17,615. This includes 765,457 books read by adults and 512,086 by children. The report shows that 1,217,331 volumes were used by readers within the city limits, an increase of 6,328. This was a circulation of 4.71 volumes per capita.

**REFERENCE WORK** There were 157,333 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 25,784. There were 358 bibliographies compiled and 20,678 pictures lent for home use. There was the usual use of the reference books by children of the public, parochial, and private schools and students of the University of Louisville, Conservatory of Music, Louisville School of Art, and the Baptist and Presbyterian Theological seminaries, with a continued increased use by business men and manufacturers.

**CIVICS ROOM** The report shows that 1,354 newspapers were read for items, 16,468 clippings from newspapers on general subjects filed, 599 of which were from local newspapers concerning the library, 782 bound newspapers used in room, and 15,454 numbers of entries in newspapers indexed.

**CHILDRENS WORK** There was a circulation of 512,086 volumes through the Childrens rooms, an increase of 1,725. This was 40 per cent of the total circulation. There were 4,719 more important questions asked and topics looked up in reference work in the Children's room, an increase of 220. There were 14,905 pictures circulated, an increase of 426. The records show a continued increase in the use of the material available by teachers and parents.

**STATIONS** There are 102 stations for the circulation of books in Louisville and Jefferson County placed for the convenience of readers. There were 36,640 volumes used in the work. These books continued to do more than double work as the collections were changed at intervals during the year. The circulation of books was 99,157 volumes, an increase of 2,921.

**BRANCH LIBRARIES** There are 14 branch libraries including 4 high schools and

one normal school. This is an increase of one, Central Colored High School. The total circulation of books was 706,303 volumes, an increase of 27,116. This was 55.2 per cent of the total circulation. This includes 442,180 books read by adults and 264,123 by children. There are 87,007 volumes available for public use, an increase of 249. These volumes circulated on an average of 6.81 times during the year. There were 124,230 more important questions asked and topics looked up, an increase of 23,096.

**COLORED DEPARTMENT** There are 86 centers for the circulation of books for home use in 47 buildings in Louisville and Jefferson County for colored readers, an increase of 10 centers and one building. This includes 2 Carnegie branch buildings, 18 stations, and 66 classroom collections in 27 school buildings. There are 24,870 volumes in the department, an increase of 434. The circulation of books was 126,922 volumes, an increase of 5,148. This was 9.9 per cent of the total circulation. This includes 49,045 books read by adults and 77,877 by children. There were 15,711 more important questions asked and topics looked up, an increase of 7,088.

**JEFFERSON COUNTY** There are 170 centers for the circulation of books for home use in 92 buildings in Jefferson County outside of the city of Louisville, an increase of 10 centers. The circulation of books was 60,212, an increase of 4,960. This was 4.7 per cent of the total circulation. This includes 19,570 books read by adults and 40,642 by children. No separate record is kept of books borrowed from the Main library and branches by county residents.

**BLIND READERS** Books in embossed type for the blind were loaned free of all cost to readers in Kentucky and other states. There are 707 volumes in the collection. During the year 14 volumes were added. The circulation for home use was 549 volumes.

**MUSEUM** The library museum continues to be a popular visiting place. The registration shows 22,187 visitors, an increase of 2,027. Teachers with classes from 25 city schools, and in addition several from New Albany and Shelbyville schools, visited the Museum during the year. There were some valuable additions by gift during the year.

**STAFF** The Library lost a valuable member of the staff through the death of Caroline Q. Fullerton, Head of the Reference Department, in April 1925. Leave of absence was granted Edna Grauman to attend library school, Elizabeth Current on account of illness, and others part time. In addition there were a number of resignations from the staff. This made it necessary to continue the use of substitutes.

**FINANCES** The Treasurer's report shows that the Library received from all sources \$173,006.35 as follows: City taxes \$121,733.42, Jefferson County \$12,500.00, fines, lost books, etc., \$5,772.77, rent \$33,000.00, and balance on hand 16 cents. The total expenditures were \$173,005.05, leaving a balance of \$1.30.

**MAINTENANCE** The cost of maintenance was \$150,376.48. The accounts were: books \$25,500.38, expense \$9,016.98, pay roll \$96,161.22, light and power \$3,719.43, heat \$7,504.43, furniture and fixtures \$378.60, repairs and improvements \$2,222.54, insurance \$4,782.15, and interest on loans \$1,090.75. To the maintenance account was added the interest on mortgage \$15,285.41, and retiring principal \$5,000.00, total \$20,285.41, and appraisal of building occupied by Kaufman-Straus Company \$2,343.16, making a total expenditure of \$173,005.05 for the year.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** The Treasurer's and expert accountant's reports confirming the figures of receipts and expenditures are submitted herewith and are made part of this report.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES** The Mayor reappointed for a term of four years Monsignor

George W. Schuhmann, Mr. Henry B. Heyburn and Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston.

The Librarian takes this opportunity to thank the Board of Trustees for their hearty support, and the staff for their splendid cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted

GEORGE T. SETTLE  
Librarian

Upon motion this report is to be printed as heretofore.

Dr. Powell, Chairman of the Library Committee, moved that action on the selection of a Head of the Reference Department be deferred to a special meeting but that other actions of the Library Committee be approved. Upon motion this was approved by the Board. Mrs. Abbott moved that any others who were inclined be given an opportunity to file application and that the Librarian prepare a statement showing relative qualifications of each and mail to each member of the Board. Upon motion this was approved.

The action of the Library Committee, which was approved, included appointments to the staff as of September 1, 1925, as follows:

Ethel Marie Crawford  
Annette Vroeland Crutcher  
Rosetta Pearl Derksen  
Mary Pauline Eads  
Margaret Elizabeth Gilligan  
Jean Anne Hess  
Eunice Edith Houston  
Florence Gaither Hull  
Beatrice Cecil Miller  
Martha Frances Veirs  
Margaret Moore Young

The action of the Library Committee further included the acceptance of the following young ladies to the training class, September 1, 1925:

Anna Eugenia Clark ✓  
Alta Edith Cooper ✓  
Evelyn Filson  
Mary Teresa Harig  
Alene Hannah Laub  
Esther Charlotte Lothman ✓  
May Alice Manning ✓  
Mary Long Milliken *dropped to grade*  
Anna Virginia Mitchell ✓  
Salome Standish Ogdon ✓  
Josephine Gilbert Potter  
Mary Frances Kademaker ✓  
Hilda Jonas Wright *dropped to grade, see with attached l.*

There being only two members of the Building Committee present the question of

using wood or steel shelving between the stack room and catalog room was referred to the Board. The Librarian stated that steel cost about fifty per cent more than wood. Upon motion of Mr. Ossmann, Chairman of the Building Committee, it was thought advisable to use the steel shelving.

The Librarian's report for August showing an expenditure of \$9,530.06 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$7,577.87, voucher No. 33, checks Nos. 2206-2294 inclusive, which had been signed by a member of the Library Committee and paid September 1. This leaves a balance of \$1,952.19, voucher No. 34, checks Nos. 2295-2349 inclusive to be paid:

American Child Health Association	\$ 5.00
American Library Association	2.48
American Multigraph Sales Company	1.40
Americana Corporation	9.00
Arctic Ice Co.	41.05
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	3.72
Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.	41.84
Booker and Kinnaird	17.63
Brakmeier Bros.	13.35
John T. Breitbeil	8.00
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.	1.15
Carter Dry Goods Co.	12.11
Childers Electric Co.	8.71
F. A. Clegg and Co.	26.12
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	92.90
W. A. Dew Improving Co.	6.50
Diem and Wing Paper Co.	4.05
Domore Chair Co.	16.00
Fire Prevention Co.	6.00
J. W. Fischer Co.	2.60
Gardiner and Co.	10.00
Hammer Printing & Office Supply Co.	18.00
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	2.25
T. J. Hoke	3.00
R. Jeunesse and Sons	2.70
Philip Kanzler	100.00
Kaufman-Straus Co.	64.61
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	248.40
Klein Bros.	5.00
Raymond Krider	8.00
Lodenkemper Bros.	5.10
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	113.57
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	27.00
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Anna Blanche McGill	25.25
Macmillan Co.	5.81
Meffert Equipment Co.	15.50



Miller Publishing Co.	2.25
Mitchell Bros.	2.60
John P. Morton and Co.	90.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Pirtle, Weaver and Menefee	17.63
Schwarz, Clifford and Scott	10.81
Charles Scribner's Sons	2.68
H. C. Searle Co.	2.55
George T. Settle, Librarian - Petty Cash	67.39
Short's Tire Service	17.46
J. E. Sikking	20.30
Standard Oil Co.	19.20
W. K. Stewart Co.	238.77
G. Broes Van Lort Co.	271.25
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	92.79
Prince Wells Co.	23.47
Wilderness Road Book Shop	68.04
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Pd) George T. Settle, Librarian - Pay Roll	7 577.87
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Total	\$ 9 530.08

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

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J. H. Anderson President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Called meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday, September 23, 1925  
in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Dr. Mullins,  
Mr. Osismann, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Dr. Rauch, Monsignor Schuhmann, <sup>Mr. Throsten</sup> Acting  
Mayor Beauchamp in the absence of Mayor Quin, and the Librarian. Mr. Heyburn was  
reported out of the city. In the absence of the President, Dr. Powell, Vice-  
President, presided.

September 18, 1925

Board of Trustees  
Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

To the Board of Trustees:

Dr. Powell, Mrs. Gamble, and Monsignor Schuhmann, of the Board of  
Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library, call a meeting of the  
Board for Wednesday, September 23, at 5 p. m. in the Librarian's office.

The meeting is called to consider and act upon the recommendation  
of the Librarian and to elect a Head of the Reference Department. The  
motion adopted at the last Board meeting instructed the Librarian to  
send to members of the Board a tabulated statement of the qualifications  
of the applicants who have filed applications for this position. This  
tabulated statement, with the Librarian's recommendation, are enclosed.

Please signify on enclosed post card whether or not we may expect  
you to be present. It is a very important meeting and a full attendance  
of the Board is urged.

Dr. Powell, Chairman, calls a meeting of the Library Committee  
for 4:30 p.m., thirty minutes before the regular meeting and urges a  
full attendance of the Library Committee.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

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Dr. Powell stated the Library Committee met before the Board meeting, and  
that the Librarian had presented written applications - Miss Edna Grauman,  
Mrs. Esther Bakewell Williams, and Miss Alice Gilmore, for the position of Head  
of Reference Department, and that he recommended Miss Grauman. He also presented  
letters from Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Mullins, Dr. Wyer, Miss Leech, Mrs. Drake,

Mrs. Chensault, Miss James and Miss Verhoeff. These letters with the exception of Dr. Wyer's had been presented to the Board at their regular meeting on September 9. Dr. Wyer's letter was read.

It was moved at the last Board meeting that the Librarian tabulate the qualifications of the applicants. This together with the Librarian's statement to the members of the Board was read at the Library Committee meeting. The statement read as follows:

September 15, 1925

To the Board of Trustees  
Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Kentucky

It was moved at the last Board meeting that the Librarian tabulate the qualifications of the applicants who have filed applications for position of Head of the Reference Department. I am enclosing this tabulated statement.

It is my duty as Librarian to make a recommendation and I recommend that Miss Edna Grauman be promoted from grade Branch Librarian to grade Department Head, and the Librarian authorized to place her in charge of the Reference Department at the Main building. The staff is graded - junior assistant, assistant, senior assistant, branch librarian, department head - and Miss Grauman, now ranking as branch librarian, is in regular line for promotion. The Board of Education for Librarianship of the American Library Association has set as a standard for department head a college or university degree with a library school degree and not less than five years practical work in a well-organized library. I have this in mind in recommending Miss Grauman.

It has been my policy to raise the standard of the library staff and to this end from time to time assistants, who I think are best fitted for library work, have been encouraged to go to library school to prepare for promotions. They have been granted leave of absence without pay but no promises are made. I have always recommended them as vacancies have occurred, as Miss Flexner to the Circulation Department, Miss Bell, Children's Department, Miss Wigginton, Catalog Department and Miss Warren, Girls High School Library. Others who have gone to library school - Miss Hinesley, Miss Humphrey, Miss Theobald, Miss Akers, Miss Leatherman - have remained with us for a while but there being no vacancies with pay to induce them to stay left us for more pay elsewhere. Two of our staff have been granted leave of absence to attend library school this year - Miss Greenaway and Miss Beatty.

Miss Grauman has had the full four years High School course, passed the examination and completed the Louisville Free Public Library training class; A.B., University of Louisville; three summer university courses - Michigan, Wisconsin and Columbia; German, four years High School, one year University; French, one and two-thirds years University; Latin, three years High School; and is conversant with French and German. She was granted leave of absence

without pay to attend New York State Library School, taking the two years' course in one, graduating with the B.L.S. degree. She served as assistant at the Shelby Park Branch Library, in the Catalog and Reference Departments at the Main library, and has been head of the Louisville Male High School Library since 1916.

During the library meeting at Seattle I had a talk with members of the Board of Education for Librarianship of the American Library Association, also Dr. Wyer of the New York State Library School and Mr. Cartright, Secretary to the President of the Carnegie Corporation, in regard to the library school we have asked the Carnegie Corporation to endow for us. It has been made very plain that the first step we must take to this end is to raise the professional standard of our library staff - even if it is necessary to go out of the city to fill vacancies as they occur.

Miss Grauman, a member of the staff, meets all the requirements and is in line for promotion and deserves it on merit.

Please consider carefully the tabulated summary enclosed. The original statements, as made by the applicants in their own handwriting, are on file in the Librarian's office.

Respectfully

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

GTS/S

Librarian

Dr. Powell moved that no other matters beyond the selection of the Head of the Reference Department be considered at this meeting and made a statement of the position of the Library Committee, and read the action of the Committee as follows:

September 23, 1925

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Library Committee, notwithstanding the recommendation by Mr. Settle of another applicant, namely Miss Grauman, felt impelled with deep regret to go contrary to the recommendation of the Librarian in naming Mrs. Williams.

It is understood that the by-laws require to appoint some one other than the Librarian names a two-thirds vote, or 9 votes, of the Board.

Respectfully

Chairman Library Committee

Dr. Powell called on Mrs. Gamble and Monsignor Schuhmann, and asked to hear from others. Mr. Barker, Dr. Hemphill, Dr. Mullins, Dr. Pfingst, Acting Mayor Beauchamp, Dr. Rauch and Mr. Thruston made remarks.

Upon motion to adopt the action of the Library Committee, it was voted by

roll call as follows: Mrs. Abbott, no; Mr. Barker, no; Mrs. Gamble, yes; Dr. Hemphill, no; Mr. Heyburn, absent; Dr. Mullins, no; Mr. Ossmann, no; Dr. Pflingst, yes; Dr. Powell, yes; acting Mayor Beauchamp, no; Dr. Rauch, no; Monsignor Schuhmann, yes; Mr. Thruston, no.

The Secretary announced that the vote stood eight no and four yes. The Chairman announced that the recommendation of the Library Committee was not approved.

It was then moved that the Librarian's recommendation be voted on. It was voted by roll call as follows:

Mrs. Abbott, yes; Mr. Barker, yes; Mrs. Gamble, no; Dr. Hemphill, excused; Mr. Heyburn, absent; Dr. Mullins, yes; Mr. Ossmann, yes; Dr. Pflingst, no; Dr. Powell, no; acting Mayor Beauchamp, yes; Dr. Rauch, yes; Monsignor Schuhmann, no; Mr. Thruston, yes.

The Secretary announced the vote was seven yes, four no, and one excused. The Chairman announced that there was no election since the by-law requires nine votes to elect when an applicant has not been recommended by the Library Committee and the Librarian.

Upon motion of Mr. Thruston, the Board adjourned (~~sine die~~) to meet on call of the Library Committee after the Library Committee and the Librarian had gotten together.

This prevailed.

MINUTES APPROVED:

OCT 14/25

J. Huston President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Called meeting Board of Trustees, Tuesday September 29, 1925 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Dr. Rauch, Monsig. Schuhmann, Mr. Thruston, Acting Mayor Beauchamp in the absence of Mayor Quin, and the Librarian. Dr. Mullins was reported out of the city and Mr. Barker unable to attend. In the absence of the President, Dr. Powell, Vice-President, presided.

The call for the meeting was read as follows:

September 25, 1925

Board of Trustees  
Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

To the Board of Trustees:

The Library Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library calls a meeting of the Library Board for Tuesday, September 29, at 5 p.m. in the Librarian's office.

The Library Committee will meet at 4:45 p.m.

The meeting is called to consider and act upon the recommendation of the Library Committee and the Librarian and to elect a Head of the Reference Department.

This is a very important meeting and the Library Committee urges a full attendance of the Board. Please signify on enclosed post card whether or not we may expect you to be present.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Secretary and Librarian

GTS/S

The Librarian announced that he had received a letter of recommendation from Prof. J. B. Carpenter, Principal of the Louisville Male High School, speaking highly of Miss Grauman.

Dr. Powell stated that the Library Committee met a few minutes before the Board meeting and that the following paper, signed by the four members of the Library Committee, had been unanimously adopted and recommended to the Board:

"The Library Committee of the Library Board is composed of the following members: Dr. E. L. Powell, Chairman, Mrs. Hoyt Gamble, Monsignor George W. Schuhmann and Mr. Henry Heyburn.

In the matter of appointments there is a by-law governing the Board

which reads as follows: "All members of the Library staff except the Librarian shall be elected by a majority vote of the Board of Trustees on the recommendation of the Library Committee and the Librarian. Anyone not so recommended must receive for election a two-thirds vote of the Board. In either case the person so chosen must have fully complied with all other requirements established by the Board of Trustees."

The purpose of this by-law evidently was to maintain the responsible position and authority of the Librarian, who immediately would lose any power to regulate and control the library staff without such responsible authority placed in his hands. On the other hand the Library Committee does not feel that it can do otherwise than preserve a responsive attitude toward the general public, small or large, and feels that it is so incumbent upon itself to have this regard for public sentiment that it really has, in this particular instance, subordinated the necessary principle of government in the matter of this special appointment because of the recognized right of the general public to express themselves even in the matter of appointments if they be so disposed. This statement is made for the simple reason that the Library Committee does not consider itself as being otherwise than open to any wish or interest which may be expressed by the general public concerning the work and conduct of the library.

The Library Committee, in this particular case, discovers that a strong public sentiment, however it may have been generated, has very firmly and emphatically expressed itself as favorable to Mrs. Esther Bakewell Williams, and despite the feeling of the Library Committee that the principle as indicated in the above by-law should be honored, and is most earnestly to be desired by the Library Committee, by a vote of three out of four the Library Committee favored the naming or appointment of Mrs. Williams as successor to Miss Caroline Q. Fullerton. It has become evident, however, to the Library Committee, that an overwhelming majority of the Library Board (eight to four) stand firmly and as a matter of conscience for the technical governance of the Library, both as respects the superintendent in cooperation with the Library Committee in the matter of appointments no less than in connection with the two individuals who have been prominently mentioned and voted on for the position of Head of the Reference Department.

It was therefore recommended to the Library Committee by its Chairman, Dr. Powell, that on condition that the facts should be stated as to the attitude of the Library Committee toward the interested public in this matter of appointment, that the committee would join with the Librarian and unanimously recommend Miss Edna Grauman for the position of Head of the Reference Department. This action was taken in harmony with the expressed appreciation from a great company of library patrons, expressed of Mrs. Williams, who has been serving in position of assistant in this department.

In other words, the Library Committee has found itself in the position of those who wish earnestly to gratify the unusually large constituency of the general public and yet at the same time unable to do this thing without a serious sacrifice of any sort of responsible government of the library.

It should be stated furthermore that the members of the Library Committee regret extremely that they found it necessary, in harmony with their convictions, not to be able to agree with the Librarian on the grounds above mentioned.

In view of these facts and this general statement of the position of the

Library Committee in its attitude to the general public and in its very earnest desire to maintain constituted authority in the government of the library, the Library Committee unanimously agree that the recommendation of the Librarian naming Miss Grauman for the position shall be approved and presented to the general Board.

This was authorized by the Library Committee to be done on the condition that the simple facts as herein stated are made to the Board and to the press after this action has been taken by the general Board.

(Signed) E. L. POWELL  
Chairman Library Committee  
(Signed) G. W. SCHUEMANN  
(Signed) H. B. HEYBURN  
(Signed) ANNIE J. GAMBLE

Sept. 24, 1925

Dr. Powell, Chairman of the Library Committee, read part of this report and the balance of the report was read by Monsig. Schuhmann. Mr. Thruston moved, which was duly seconded, that the report be received and filed.

Dr. Hemphill asked before the vote was taken if this meant the election of Miss Grauman. Mr. Thruston replied that we were simply moving now to accept the report and place it on file. This was approved.

Mr. Thruston said "I will now move (which was seconded by Dr. Rauch) that the recommendation of the Library Committee and the Librarian naming Miss Grauman for the position of Head of the Reference Department be approved. There were remarks by several members of the Board and upon roll call this was approved as follows, roll being called as the members were seated at the table: Dr. Powell, yes; Dr. Hemphill, yes; Dr. Pfingst, yes; Mr. Heyburn, yes; Monsig. Schuhmann, yes; Mayor Beauchamp, yes; Mr. Ossmann, yes; Dr. Rauch, yes; Mr. Thruston, yes; Mrs. Abbott, yes. Mrs. Gamble declined to vote.

The Secretary announced that the vote was ten yes, one declining to vote, and the Chairman announced that Miss Grauman was elected.

Dr. Powell stated that part of the Library Committee's recommendation was that the statement of the position of the Library Committee be given to the press. This was discussed by several members of the Board.

Dr. Hemphill asked if it would not be proper to send some expression of



appreciation to Mrs. Williams for her services. Mr. Thruston moved that Dr. Hemphill be named to draw up resolutions. Dr. Hemphill suggested that someone be named to assist him and Dr. Rauch was named to do this. Upon motion this was approved.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Oct 14/25-

W. Thruston President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday, October 14, 1925 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mr. Barker, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Dr. Mullins, Dr. Powell, Mayor Quin, Dr. Rauch, Mr. Thruston and the Librarian, with President Quin in the chair. Mrs. Abbott and Mrs. Gamble were reported ill, Mr. Ossmann and Dr. Pfingst unable to attend and Monsig. Schuhmann out of the city.

The minutes of the regular September 9, 1925 meeting and the minutes of the called meetings of September 23, 1925 and September 29, 1925 were read and upon motion approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Secretary's letter to Mayor Quin enclosing copy of Librarian's report and report of Mr. Philip Kanzler, expert accountant, for the fiscal year. See exhibit No. 1.
- b. Letter of September 15, 1925 from Mrs. Rebecca Watterson, releasing the books, curios, etc. and the \$5,000. given to the library in a codicil to Mr. Watterson's will. See exhibit No. 2.
- c. Librarian's reply to Mrs. Watterson. See exhibit No. 3.
- d. Letter of September 12, 1925 from Mr. Joseph E. Conkling, Department Counsel, authorizing the Library Board to receive the Watterson gift and a part (\$3,500.) of the \$5,000. bequest. See exhibit No. 4.
- e. Letter of September 21, 1925 from Fidelity and Columbia Trust Company, signed L. F. Michael, Trust Officer, advising that \$4,000. will be paid to the library on the account of this bequest and any part that they are able to pay of the remaining \$1,000. after Mrs. Watterson's death. See exhibit No. 5.

The Librarian announced that the Art Room on the second floor had been made ready to receive these 5,000 volumes (6,915) and that they would be brought to the library on Thursday, October 15, and kept in the Art Room until they could be cataloged and the alcove made ready for them.

Dr. Powell was asked to convey the thanks of the Board for the gift in a letter to Mrs. Watterson and it was suggested that special exercises be held when these books are placed in the alcove. Upon motion these suggestions were approved.

- f. Letter of October 8, 1925 from Mr. O. P. Ward, consulting architect, advising us that the repairs have been completed at the Kaufman-Straus building. He calls attention to the condition of the fire doors on the fire escapes, etc. Upon motion the Librarian was instructed to write Kaufman-Straus Company. See exhibit No. 6.
- g. The Librarian reported that the heat contract with Weissinger-

Gaulbert Real Estate Company, \$5,345.25 in seven payments of \$763.32 each, had been renewed for one year beginning November 1, 1925. Upon motion this was approved.

- h. The Librarian announced the following gifts:
1. 500 volumes from the library of Judge C. B. Seymour, given by Miss Mattie C. Seymour. This is a general collection. We understand Judge Seymour's law books have been given to the University of Louisville Law Department.
  2. Knight's Shakespeare, 2 volumes, from Mr. Gustav Breauz, 912 E. Broadway.
- Upon motion these gifts were accepted and the Librarian instructed to convey the thanks of the Board.
- i. The Librarian reported the most popular books for September. See exhibit No. 7.
- j. The Librarian stated that at the Board meeting September 9, 1925, upon his suggestion, it was thought advisable to use steel shelving between the Catalog Room and Stack Room. Since, we find the cost of steel is two or three times the cost of wood, and the architect thinks the fire hazard is so slight, since there is no wiring in connection with this small piece of shelving, that it might be just as well to use wood. Upon motion the architect is authorized to use wood or steel as he thinks best.
- k. Upon motion the Librarian was authorized to place a concrete floor in the basement at the Crescent Hill Branch Library. The wooden floor here has been replaced twice and needs to be repaired again explains this. Upon motion this was approved.
- l. Dr. Hemphill and Dr. Rauch, special committee, submitted a resolution of appreciation for Mrs. Esther Bakewell Williams' services, which upon motion was approved. See exhibit No. 8.
- m. The Librarian reported that someone had broken into one of the cases in the Museum and taken a pistol, the gift of Capt. Charles Hegewald. The theft was reported to the City Detective Department. See exhibit No. 9.
- n. Mr. Thruston, of the Library Board, with the Head of the Stations Department and the Librarian, met with the ladies' committee at Highland Park on September 25, 1925 to see several sites they offered to buy for a branch library building, provided the Library Board would maintain a branch library in Highland Park. Mr. Thruston, in his talk to the committee, said that it cost on an average of \$5,000. per annum to maintain a branch library after the lot had been procured, the building erected and books purchased, and that he was not in a position to say where funds would come from to maintain another branch at this time. For this reason he could not advise the ladies to make any purchase just now. Upon motion Mr. Thruston's position was approved. See exhibit No. 10.

The treasurer's report was read as follows:

October 14, 1925

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance on October 1, 1925 of

\$2,497.14 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$5,497.14.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER  
Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for September was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 81,247 volumes, a decrease of 7,240 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 53,151 volumes were circulated to adults and 28,096 to children, fifty-seven per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 845 borrowers registered during the month, making a total of 59,645 persons registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 10,367 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There was an attendance of 1,778 in the Civics Room and the visitors to the Museum numbered 1,510. There were 919 volumes added to the library in September and 1,794 volumes cataloged, making a total of 263,570 volumes available for public use.

The Librarian's report for September showing an expenditure of \$15,363.53 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$8,735.97, voucher No. 35, checks Nos. 2350-2453 inclusive, signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid October 1. This also includes voucher No. 37 to F. W. Faxon Company for subscriptions for the year, \$2,194.70. This leaves a balance of \$4,432.86, voucher No. 36, checks Nos. 2454-2527 inclusive to be paid:

American Book Company	\$	138.96
American Library Association		4.33
American Multigraph Sales Co.		1.59
American Printing House for the Blind		354.19
D. Appleton and Co.		152.13
Arctic Ice Co.		31.47
Baker and Taylor Co.		40.67
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Department		59.23
Belknap Hardware & Mfg. Co.		25.88
E. R. Bowker Co.		4.00
John T. Breitbeil		8.00
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.		4.45
Canadian Review Co.		8.24
Carter Dry Goods Co.		6.66

Century Co.	191.76
Childers Electric Co.	28.48
Children's Book Shop	9.55
F. A. Clegg and Co.	47.75
Columbia Carbon Co.	7.20
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	93.57
C. T. Dearing Printing Co.	17.25
R. O. Dusch	18.05
E. P. Dutton and Co.	29.87
Elbert Coal Co.	28.30
Geo. G. Fetter Co.	4.30
Forest Press	8.00
Gardiner and Co.	10.00
Gaylord Bros.	12.30
Girl Scouts	1.20
Gulf Refining Co.	19.16
Harcourt, Brace and Co.	1.35
Isaac Hathaway	60.00
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	7.50
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Henry Holt and Co.	2.48
R. Jeunesse and Sons	422.80
Kaufman-Straus Co.	125.38
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	50.90
Keystone Stationery Mfg. Co.	3.78
J. B. Lippincott Co.	4.90
Logan Co.	58.30
Longmans, Green and Co.	435.01
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	125.08
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	27.00
Louisville Paper Co.	18.24
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Anna Blanche McGill	26.17
Macmillan Co.	269.61
Meffert Equipment Co.	7.65
Miller Paper Co.	7.50
Milliken Battery Service Co.	1.00
John P. Morton and Co.	4.50
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Royal Typewriter Co.	90.15
Rund Mfg. Co.	5.85
Schwarz, Clifford and Scott	10.22
Charles Scribner's Sons	75.72
H. C. Searle Co.	33.00
George T. Settle, Librarian - Petty Cash	82.07
Short's Tire Service	4.50
J.F. Sikking	85.40
Southeastern Paper Co.	13.01
Standard Oil Co.	19.14
Standard Printing Co.	89.10
W.K. Stewart Co.	650.56
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	9.56
G. Broes Van Dort Co.	14.60
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	129.30

Prince Wells Co.	2.35
Western Union Telegraph Co.	4.50
Wilderness Road Book Shop	50.15
H. W. Wilson Co.	4.65
Youngstown Public Library	1.25
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Pd) George T. Settle, Librarian - Pay Roll	8 735.97
F. W. Faxon Co. - Subscriptions 1926	2 194.70
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Total . . \$ 15 363.53

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no unfinished or new business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Nov 11-1925

Huston Quin President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

Exhibit No. 1

September 10, 1925

Hon. Huston Quin, Mayor  
City Hall  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mayor Quin:

I am enclosing copy of the Librarian's report of the Louisville Free Public Library for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1925, together with Mr. Philip Kanzler's (expert accountant) report of audit of the Louisville Free Public Library for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1925, to be transmitted to the General Council.

Please let me have a copy of your letter of transmittal so it can be incorporated in our printed report.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Secretary and Librarian

GTS/S

Exhibit No. 2

Mansfield  
 Jeffersontown, Ky.  
 September 15th, 1925

Geo. P. Settle  
 Louisville Free Public Library  
 Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Settle:

About one year ago I wrote you that the Henry Watterson Library would not be delivered to the Louisville Free Public Library until after my death. I thought then my death was not far distant - that at least I might be spared the pain of parting with old friends - hundreds of them of sixty years standing.

Somehow today, with improved health, my heart and mind rejoice in the anticipation of helping with my own hands and seeing with my own eyes, the removal of, not only the Library, but other objects of my love and reverence; - the bust, my husband's work desk, the oaken bookshelves, etc. etc.

I have advised the Fidelity and Columbia Trust Company that it is my wish the payment of \$5,000. in cash be made at once to the Louisville Free Public Library.

With the hope of becoming a frequent visitor to the Louisville Free Public Library, I remain

Cordially yours

(Signed) REBECCA WATTERSON

(Mrs. Henry Watterson)

Exhibit No. 3

September 19, 1925

Mrs. Henry Watterson  
 Jeffersontown  
 Kentucky

My dear Mrs. Watterson:

In reply to your letter of September 15, 1925.

The Library Board at its meeting Wednesday September 9, authorized me to receive the material devised in Mr. Watterson's will, subject to the approval of the City Attorney and the Fidelity and Columbia Trust Company, executor of Mr. Watterson's will.

This explains my delay as the matter is now in the hands of the Trust Company. I will write you as soon as we are advised of their decision.

Very respectfully yours

(Signed) GEO. P. SETTLE

Librarian

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Exhibit No. 4

September 12, 1925

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

My dear Sir:

Your favor of Sept. 11th with inclosures concerning the bequest of Mr. Henry Watterson, in which he bequeathes to the Public Library his library, pictures, statucs, curios and Five Thousand Dollars, (\$5,000.00), in cash to construct an alcove to be known as the "Henry Watterson Alcove" received.

You suggest in this letter that at the meeting of the Library Board on Wednesday, Sept. 9th, the board moved to accept the gift and the \$3,500.00 offered by the Fidelity Trust Company, if it was approved by the City Attorney's Office.

There is no question but what your Board has a right to act on this matter as it has acted, and wait until Mrs. Watterson's death for the other fifteen hundred dollars, (\$1,500.00).

I would suggest that you get Mrs. Watterson's consent as provided for by the Fidelity Trust Company and make the transfer and receive the \$3,500.00 offered at this time, with the proviso that at her death or prior thereto, if the Fidelity Trust Company can do so, you receive the balance of \$1,500.00.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) JOS. E. CONKLING

Department Counsel

JEE/B

Exhibit No. 5

September 21, 1925

Mr. Geo. T. Settle,  
Secretary & Librarian  
Louisville Free Public Library  
C i t y

Dear Mr. Settle:

With reference to our conversation of recent date, we have a communication from Mrs. Watterson authorizing and directing that we make settlement with the Library of the bequest to them under the will of Henry Watterson, deceased. This authorization from her became necessary as Mr. Watterson in his will left his entire estate in trust during her lifetime, the income to be used for her benefit. Following her death the estate is to be divided and in this division the Library is left his library, pictures, etc., together with the sum of



\$5,000.00 to be used to construct a small compartment to be known as the "Henry Watterson Alcove."

It is probable that the estate is over-devised and for that reason the Executor and Trustee is unwilling to pay the entire amount of this bequest even with the life tenant's authorization. The amount of \$4,000.00 will be paid to the Library on account of this bequest upon the turning over to the Library by Mrs. Watterson of the library, etc., and the remaining amount can be settled for at the time of Mrs. Watterson's death. Please let me know if this is acceptable to the Library.

Yours very truly,

(Signed) L. F. MICHAEL

Trust Officer.

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Exhibit No. 6

October 8th, 1925

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

Dear Sir:-

Wish to make a somewhat delayed report upon alteration work done at the Kaufman-Straus Store building on Fourth Street, under the direction of Nevin, Wischmeyer and Morgan, Architects, and which your Library Board had me supervise in the interest of the Louisville Free Public Library to see that the work was properly carried out. This work has now been completed for some weeks with very satisfactory results. I think the improvements have added materially to the beauty and efficiency of the building.

I supervised the construction as it progressed and paid particular attention to the underpinning and structural work in connection with the elevator shafts and light courts which was done in a thorough manner by capable contractors.

Although it does not come within my province as supervising architect, still I think that I ought to call your attention to what I consider a rather hazardous condition in connection with the stairways in the building in case of fire, so far as the occupants of the building are concerned. I refer to the metal fire doors or drop shutters over the doorways leading into the front stair tower, with the exception of the first and fifth floors. On the first floor there is no fire door at all, and on the fifth floor there is a sliding fire door instead of a drop shutter. The rear stairway is also protected at each floor by a metal clad sliding fire door. Now in case of fire near these doors causing them to operate or close, the occupants of the building would be shut off from the stairways and would be thus prevented from using the stairways for escape. I think the occupants of the building would be far safer if there were no fire doors at all on these openings. If it is desired to use a fire door at these openings I think they should be of a different type.

I also wish to call your attention to the fact that the French doors on the first floor between store and rear stair tower on North side are generally kept

open by means of wedges at the bottom. This French door laps over the fire door so that in case of fire it would not close, which may be a good thing instead of an objection.

I also think that prominent signs labeled "Fire Escape" should be placed at the rear of the building on all floors indicating the way to get to the outside fire escape which is in a court on the rear of the building. No one unfamiliar with the building would ever know that there was a fire escape or be able to find it.

I do not know that the conditions are worse in this building than in many others in Louisville; still I feel I should call your attention to these matters so that you can take it up with your attorney and let him decide whether you are in any way liable in case of fire or accident, or are responsible in any way for the risk to life from fire or panic in this building.

I am enclosing herein two bills for architectural services, one for \$100.00 for services in connection with supervision of the alteration work at the Kaufman-Straus Building and another of \$20.00 for services in connection with pointing up the stone steps at entrance, lintel over doorway and other places around the front of the Louisville Free Public Library.

Trusting that these bills meet with your approval, I am

Yours very truly

(Signed) OSSIAN P. WARD

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(2 encls.)

Exhibit No. 7

MOST POPULAR BOOKS FOR SEPTEMBER 1925

Piction

Gibbs	Soundings
Arlen	Green hat
Kennedy	Constant nymph
Lewis	Arrowsmith
Parrish	Perennial bachelor
Barrington	Glorious Apollo
Sedgwick	Little French girl
Raymont	Peasants
Glasgow	Barren ground
Cather	Professor's house

Non-fiction

Keyserling	Travel diary of a philosopher
Lowell	Life of John Keats
Clemens	Autobiography of Mark Twain
Bousson	Anatole France himself
Maurois	Ariel
Beebe	Jungle days
Werner	Brigham Young
Forbes-Robertson	A player under three reigns
White	Woodrow Wilson
Wiggam	Fruit of the family tree

Exhibit No. 8

The Board desires to place on record its hearty appreciation of the long, faithful, and efficient service given the Library and the community by Mrs. Esther Bakewell Williams, especially in the Reference Department, in which she has for many years been Senior Assistant and recently Acting Head.

By her quick intelligence, her wide acquaintance with books and sources of information, her willingness to serve, her industry, courtesy and tact, Mrs. Williams has won the kindly regard and goodwill of patrons of the Library, and has greatly promoted the purposes for which the Library exists. It is a pleasure to every member of the Board to embody in its minutes this tribute to one who is held by them in highest esteem.

(Signed) C. R. HERSPHILL  
(Signed) JOSEPH RAUCH

Committee

Exhibit No. 9

October 13, 1925

Miss Shane reports today that someone has broken into one of the cases in the Museum, and taken a pistol. The pistol has a long barrel (steel) with bone ivory inlaid handle, and was a gift to the library by Capt. Charles Hegewald.

The pistol was taken between 6 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 10, when Miss Shane left the Museum, and 2 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 13, when Miss Shane again reported for duty, Monday October 12 being a holiday.

Miss Elsie Badertscher was on duty Sunday and Monday.

Exhibit No. 10

October 14, 1925

To the Library Board:

On September 25, 1925 upon the urgent request of Mrs. J. S. Lutz, Mrs. Green and two other members of the committee at Highland Park, Mr. Thruston, Miss Cochran, Head of the Stations Department, and the Librarian visited Highland Park to see the sites they have had in mind to purchase for a branch library. This matter had been referred to the Building Committee but we were unable to reach Mr. Ossmann and Dr. Mullins on the short notice and Mrs. Abbott was unable to attend.

Lot No. 1 - Corner Erie and Ashbottom Road, 75 x 154 feet @ \$10.00 per foot. This is about two blocks north of the Highland Park school where there are 924 students and at the extreme northeast corner of Highland Park. This is outside of the city line, has no gas, sewer, or water, but has electric lights. The committee was not favorably inclined.

Lot No. 2 - Hiawatha, between Park Boulevard and Louisville Avenue, 100 x 125 feet, value of lot about \$2,000. Can cross railroad through to Beechmont, has water, gas and electric lights but no sewer. The committee thought this was an improvement over Lot No. 1.

Highland Park population estimated to be about 5,000.

Lot No. 3 - Ashbottom Road, Mohawk and Wampun, 71 x 159 x 112, value \$2,500.

Gas, water, sewer and electric lights. Across from school and within one block of playground. The committee thought this the most desirable site if we are to take care of Highland Park only but too far east if we have to take care of Beechmont and Highland Park together.

Lot No. 4 - Wentworth Avenue between First and Brook, 125 x 150 feet, no value named but a desirable site for a branch library for Highland Park and Beechmont. There is a crossing at the railroad to the playground and Highland Park school, has water and electric lights but no gas or sewer. This property is estimated to be worth about \$50. to \$75. per foot.

Lot No. 5 - Corner of First and Wentworth, 150 x 60. One square from Beechmont School, five blocks to Eastern Highland Park school, three blocks to Highland Park school and three blocks to present Highland Park library station. No gas, water, electric lights or sewer but all promised. We found there is a great deal of building in this neighborhood and this promises to be the center of Highland Park and Beechmont, the most desirable lot to take care of Highland Park and Beechmont.

Mr. Thruston, in his talk to the committee, said that it cost on an average of \$5,000. per annum to maintain a branch library after the lot had been purchased, the building erected and books purchased, and that he was not in a position to say where the funds would come from to maintain another branch. For this reason he did not advise the ladies to make any purchase at this time.

Respectfully submitted

Member Building Committee

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## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees Wednesday November 11, 1925 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Powell, Mayor Quin, Mr. Thruston and the Librarian with President Quin in the chair. Mr. Barker and Monsig. Schuhmann were unable to attend, Dr. Pfingst ill and Dr. Mullins and Dr. Rauch out of the city.

The minutes of the regular October 14 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter of October 24, 1925 from Kaufman-Straus Company, enclosing letter of October 22 from Kentucky Actuarial Bureau. These letters were in reply to our communication calling attention to fire escapes as suggested by Mr. O. P. Ward, supervising architect. See exhibits Nos. 1 and 2.
- b. Letter of October 21, 1925 from Mrs. Henry Watterson. This letter was in regard to disposition of the books, portraits, etc. bequeathed to the library in a codicil to Mr. Watterson's will. See exhibit No. 3.
- c. Librarian's letter of October 30, 1925 to Mrs. Watterson, acknowledging receipt of material. See exhibit No. 4.
- d. Mrs. Watterson's letter of November 3, 1925. See exhibit No. 5.
- e. Dr. Powell's letter of November 4, 1925 to Mrs. Watterson extending the thanks of the Board for the Watterson gift. See exhibit No. 6.
- f. Letter of October 29, 1925 from Miss Florence R. Curtis, Director of the Library School Department of Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute. Miss Curtis visited the Louisville Free Public Library to make a survey of our colored work. See exhibit No. 7.
- g. The Librarian reported that the Fidelity and Columbia Trust Company are in a position to pay to our Treasurer \$4,000.00 of the \$5,000.00 of Mr. Watterson's bequest. Upon motion the Librarian was instructed to write the Fidelity and Columbia Trust Company to deliver this check to our Treasurer, Louisville Trust Company.
- h. The Librarian reported that the pistol that was a gift to the Museum by Capt. Charles Hegewald, stolen from the Museum, had been returned through the Police Department.
- i. The Librarian read the list of most popular books for October. See exhibit No. 8.
- j. The Librarian announced that Mr. Herbert Hirshberg and Miss Harriet E. Howe, members of the American Library Association Board of Education for Librarianship would visit Louisville on Thursday November 12. This visit is for them to make a report on the work we are doing with our training class and our request for a library school.

At this point Mr. Thruston asked if we were crowded for room on our shelves. The

Librarian replied that we were, that it had been necessary to erect some temporary shelving in the Art Room to take care of the Watterson collection until it could be cataloged and the alcove made ready. It developed that Mr. Thruston had in mind placing his library and the Filson Club library in this library. The Librarian stated that the Art Room could be arranged to take care of the Filson Club library but that it would be better to have an additional wing built to add to our Museum and Reference Room floor space, in which could be housed the historical material of the Filson Club and the books, where they would be available for public use under the supervision of trained assistants.

Upon motion the Chairman named Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Dr. Powell and the Librarian as a committee to look into this matter, with the injunction that this material must not be lost to the Louisville Free Public Library or the city. This committee is to confer with Mr. Thruston, Mr. Temple Bodley, Mr. George Todd, someone representing Mr. Gilmer S. Adams, and others regarding the Filson Club library and other material that may be in the hands of these gentlemen to be placed in the Louisville Free Public Library.

The following resolution was read by Dr. Powell and upon motion of Dr. Hemphill, seconded by Mr. Thruston, adopted unanimously by a rising vote:

With the present meeting of the Library Board Mayor Huston Quin ceases to exercise the duties of member and President of the Library Board. The Mayor of the city becomes automatically a member of the Board but if chosen to the position of President it is by the vote of the Board.

The Library Board takes this opportunity to put itself on record in the unanimous expression of the personal affection entertained by each member of the Board for Mayor Quin. At the same time the Board wishes Mayor Quin to know that as President of the Library Board no man could have been more faithful in attendance and in quick intelligent appreciation of the library's needs and requirements or more enthusiastic in the support of all the high interests of the library. As he retires from office the very best wishes of this Board go with him into his new field of endeavor. Particularly do we wish Mayor Quin to know, apart from our political affiliations, that whether we be Republicans or Democrats we are all Republicans in our appreciation of the splendid administration which has been given us by the Republican Mayor Quin.

Be it resolved that this expression of appreciation of the retiring

Mayor and President of this Board be spread on the minutes of the Board.

(Signed) E. L. POWELL  
Chairman Library Committee

11 November 1925.

A copy of this is to be given to Mayor Quin and the daily press and spread on the minutes.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

November 11, 1925

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance November 1, 1925 of \$700.77 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$3,700.77.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) C. R. HEMPHILL  
Member Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for October was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 108,876 volumes, a decrease of 16,356 as compared to the same month last year. The Librarian said one explanation of this decrease was that all the schools in the city were closed for seventeen days because of an epidemic of infantile paralysis. Of this number 67,568 volumes were circulated to adults and 41,308 to children, fifty-two per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 1,329 borrowers registered during the month, making a total of 59,842 borrowers registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 13,263 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There was an attendance of 2,292 in the Civics Room and the visitors to the Museum numbered 1,781. There were 2,881 volumes added to the library in October and 2,830 volumes cataloged, making the total number of volumes available for public use 266,451.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$14,440.98 upon motion was

approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$8,608.17, voucher No. 39, checks Nos. 2528-2631 inclusive, signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid November 2. This also includes voucher No. 38, \$120.00, for architect's services covering alterations on the Kaufman-Straus building and pointing stone work on the Main Library. This leaves a balance of \$5,712.81, voucher No. 40, checks Nos. 2632-2716 inclusive to be paid:

American Library Association	\$	36.55
American Multigraph Sales Co.		2.41
A. J. Anderson		37.81
D. Appleton and Co.		1.66
Arctic Ice Co.		28.42
A. Arnold & Sons Auction & Storage Co.		91.87
Samuel L. Avery and Co.		8.81
Robin M. Baggerly		314.95
Baker and Taylor Co.		6.13
J. W. E. Bayly and Co.		10.58
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Department		28.58
Bomar-Summers Hardware Co.		55.19
R. R. Bowker Co.		20.00
Brakmeier Bros.		3.00
John T. Breitbeil		8.00
Brentano's		8.25
Carpenter and Dudley		10.58
Central Glass Co.		7.25
Childers Electric Co.		53.33
Civic Opinion		1.00
F. A. Clegg and Co.		5.84
Columbia Carbon Co.		12.95
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.		95.60
C. T. Dearing Printing Co.		18.25
Dugan, Humphreys and Co.		10.58
R. O. Dusch		5.85
E. P. Dutton and Co.		199.38
Eldridge Entertainment House		3.00
Electric Blue Print and Supply Co.		3.50
Embry Box Co.		31.50
Geo. G. Fetter Co.		4.25
J. W. Fischer		5.10
Charles V. Franck		3.50
Gardiner and Co.		10.00
Gaylord Bros.		280.78
Gulf Refining Co.		19.14
Hammer Printing and Office Supply Co.		6.00
Henry Heick Hardware Co.		12.23
T. J. Hoke		3.00
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.		7.50
Houghton, Mifflin Co.		156.16
Hubbuck Bros. and Wellendorff		7.00
Kaufman-Straus Co.		500.37
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.		455.05
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind		3.10



Library Bureau	53.22
Longmans, Green and Co.	23.44
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Loomis Publishing Co.	2.62
Louisville Chemical Company	23.75
Louisville Courier-Journal Co.	1.26
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	151.47
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	27.00
Louisville Paper Co.	25.73
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Anna Blanche McGill	16.80
Macmillan Co.	178.79
Mayes Printing Co.	31.30
Meffert Equipment Co.	6.00
Miller Paper Co.	7.50
Mitchell Bros.	5.10
Moddy's Investors Service	100.00
John P. Morton and Co.	162.33
National Association of Book Publishers	1.00
National Education Association	5.00
National Safety Council	5.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
L. C. Page Co.	114.00
Royal Typewriter Co.	6.12
Rud Mfg. Co.	5.35
B. F. Saunders	1.50
Schwarz, Clifford and Scott	4.34
Charles Scribners Sons	1.23
George T. Settle, Librarian - Petty Cash	91.89
Short's Tire Service	79.76
Standard Oil Company	19.14
Standard Printing Co.	90.00
W. K. Stewart Co.	783.89
Stith and Harris	7.05
Tehan and Head	2.75
Timberlake and Trueheart	30.49
Thomas Publishing Co.	11.00
G. Broes Van Dort Co.	11.25
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	938.04
H. W. Wilson Co.	62.50
	<u>5,712.81</u>
Pd) George T. Settle, Librarian - Pay Roll	8,608.17
Pd) O. P. Ward - architect	<u>120.00</u>

Total . . . . \$ 14,440.98

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no unfinished or new business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Dec 9 - 1925

E. L. Paval  
Vice President President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

Exhibits follow on next pages

Exhibit No. 1

October 24, 1925

Louisville Free Public Library,  
City

Attention  
Mr. Geo. T. Settle -

Dear Mr. Settle:

Your letter submitting paragraphs from the report of Mr. Ward, regarding our fire-escapes and stairways, has been carefully gone into, and also referred to the Kentucky Actuarial Bureau.

We are enclosing a copy of a letter submitted to us by the Kentucky Actuarial Bureau, after an inspection made by their Mr. Smith. From his report, the only precaution suggested by him, is the installation of lights at the fire-escape doors, which are now being installed.

Any recommendation that may be made by your architect or yourselves, will be highly appreciated, for the care of our employes and the public, and we solicit any advise you may have to offer.

With kindest regards, I am,

Very truly yours,

(Signed) W. G. WATERMAN

WGW/NL

Exhibit No. 2

October 22, 1925

Kaufman-Straus Co.,  
427 South 4th St.,  
City

Gentlemen:

On inspection of your premises we find you are provided with four means of exit all of which can be classified as fire escapes as they are enclosed in incombustible shafts.

Under ordinary circumstances the two inside stair towers and elevator can be used as exits and in case of extreme emergency the rear stair tower could be utilized. The fire doors on the stair towers are located on the inside of the shafts and would not close unless the shaft itself was afire in which case it would not be serviceable anyway.

This arrangement impresses us as being adequate for building of this size and our only recommendation would be that you clearly mark these exits and the paths to them.

You will understand, however, that we have no authority with reference to the arrangement of fire escapes and this is merely our opinion of the present arrangement.

Very truly yours,

(Mr. [unclear])

Dictated by Mr. Smith

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Exhibit No. 3

October 21, 1925

Geo. T. Settle,  
 Librarian Free Public Library  
 Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Settle:

If you will recall our last hurried conversation at Mansfield in regard to the disposition of the books, portraits, statuettes, etc. etc., I made no response to your suggestion of placing certain portraits, etc. in the Historical Department of the Louisville Free Public Library. In fact, I was surprised at your hint as I had never contemplated any other repository for the entire legacy than the "Henry Watterson Alcove."

The portraits of Henry Clay and Alexander Campbell I trust may find places in the "Alcove" but I could not part with them otherwise. I think smaller articles of interest will easily find space on the Desk.

I am writing early in order that you may understand my wishes and intentions which fully comply with the will of the donor in regard to the pictures, portraits, statuettes, etc. that you saw hastily, with no time in which to discriminate or pass judgment. These latter however may well wait my return to Mansfield in the Spring.

Sincerely yours

(Signed) REBECCA WATTERSON  
 (Mrs. Henry Watterson)

Exhibit No. 4

October 30, 1925

Mrs. Henry Watterson  
 Seminole Hotel  
 Jacksonville, Fla.

My dear Mrs. Watterson:

I have your letter of October 21, and have not answered sooner waiting for a meeting of the Library Board to formally accept the gift.

We sent for the books and other material on October 15, using two large covered vans, the library truck, and machine and moved everything in one trip. Your caretaker, Jim, was very helpful.

We received as follows: 6,915 volumes, Mr. Watterson's desk, bust of Mr. Watterson, portrait of Mr. Watterson, bust of Washington, bust of Mary Anderson, statuette-youth of Lincoln, replica-Speed statue of Lincoln, portrait of Henry Clay, portrait of Alexander Campbell, and seven pictures - drawings of Mr. Watterson, two photographs of the original staff of the Courier-Journal, three pictures of editors of all countries, and framed regalia of Mr. Watterson when on staff at burial of Gen. Grant.

At your convenience, we should like to have the data on the pictures, busts, etc., necessary for our catalog.

The Library Board at its last meeting, formally received the gift and

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Dr. Powell will extend the thanks of the Board. Upon motion it was approved that special public exercises are to be held when the alcove is finished. I announced that you had agreed to the Courier-Journal suggestion to conduct a contest for a memorial book plate for the volumes.

The architect has been instructed to prepare a sketch of the alcove. We are short of help and it may be several months before we can begin cataloging the books.

I trust that you will have a restful and enjoyable winter in Florida, and continue to look and feel so well. We are having real winter weather here.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Librarian

GTS/B

Exhibit No. 5

November 3rd, 1925

Geo. T. Settle  
Librarian Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Settle:

Your letter of the 30th Oct. is received and I thank you most heartily for giving me facts in detail in connection with the removal Oct. 15th of the Henry Watterson Library, portraits, pictures, statuettes, etc., etc. to the Louisville Free Public Library. The number of the books caused me no surprise though I confess they needed "weeding out" before their transfer. Dr. Lyman Abbott says the frequent desire to "weed out" his Library is always thwarted by the greater desire to read and so you will find that part of my duty neglected.

In my last communication I spoke of the placing in the Alcove the portraits of Henry Clay and Alexander Campbell. They belonged to my father's Library and fell to me in the disposition of his effects. I reiterate my wishes in regard to these portraits that the architect in his sketch and plan may provide space for them. I shall expect to see in the Alcove all of the various objects of art removed from Mansfield.

I have others to contribute - the Confederate Seal, bronze medallion of John Paul Jones, miniature of George D. Prentice and the two Insignia, one from France, the other from Belgium.

Will you be good enough to file my letters for reference.

In due time I will post you with data on each article necessary for your Catalog.

Sincerely yours

(Signed) MRS. HENRY WATTERSON

Exhibit No. 6

November 4, 1925

Mrs. Henry Watterson  
Seminole Hotel  
Jacksonville, Fla.

My dear Mrs. Watterson:

In your letter of October 21, presenting formally to the Library Board the books and other treasured matter belonging to your honored husband, the Library Board was so impressed in both its manner of expression and the fine spirit of love and loyalty, and treasured memories associated with the gift, that the Board was not satisfied with a mere formal acknowledgment and acceptance from the Librarian, Mr. George T. Settle, but desired that I should add the expression of the Board's appreciation of this very much to be valued gift.

I presume that I was honored with this privilege by virtue of the fact that for many years I have served as your pastor. At any rate it has given me very great pleasure to carry out the wish of the Board in expressing the Board's high appreciation of your letter, and their desire through your gift, to honor the name and fame of your distinguished husband.

With every assurance of my high personal regard, and regretting that I could not have the pleasure of calling upon you while you were at Mansfield, I am

Yours sincerely

(Signed) E. L. POWELL  
Chairman, Library Committee  
Board of Trustees

ELP/B

Exhibit No. 7

October 29, 1925

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

My dear Mr. Settle:

I wish to thank you and your staff for my very interesting visit to the Louisville Library System and for the opportunity of meeting you all at luncheon in a more informal way. I feel that the opportunity to see the work in the Colored Department and to meet Mr. Blue and his assistants was extremely worth while. It would be ideal if the students at Hampton might all go to the Louisville Library for practice work.

With best wishes to you and Mrs. Settle and the members of your staff.

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) FLORENCE R. CURTIS  
Director

FRG/dgc

Exhibit No. 8

## MOST POPULAR BOOKS IN OCTOBER 1925

## Fiction

Gibbs	Soundings
Kennedy	Constant nymph
Parrish	Perennial bachelor
Arlen	Green hat
Porter	Keeper of the bees
Barrington	Glorious Apollo
Reymont	Peasants
Sedgwick	Little French girl
Cather	Professor's house
Hutchinson	One increasing purpose

## Non-fiction

Keyserling	Travel diary of a philosopher
Lowell	John Keats
Werner	Brigham Young
Bousson	Anatole France
Melville	Beau Brummel
Eberlein	Practical book of interior decoration
Forbes-	
Robertson	Player under three reigns
Harper	Haunted houses
Cushing	Life of Sir William Osler
Melville	Nell Gwyn

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees Wednesday December 9, 1925 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Pffingst, Dr. Powell, Mayor Will, Dr. Rauch, Mr. Thruston and the Librarian, with Vice-President Powell in the chair. Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Dr. Mullins and Monsignor Schuhmann were unable to attend.

The minutes of the regular November 11, 1925 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

At this point Dr. Powell, Vice-President, announced that Mayor Will, ex-officio member of the Board, was present and that it was customary to elect the Mayor President of the Board. Upon motion of Dr. Pffingst, seconded by two or three, Mayor Will was unanimously elected President. Dr. Powell offered the chair for the Mayor to preside but the Mayor said he preferred that Dr. Powell continue through this meeting.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter of October 24, 1925, resignation of Adele C. Michot. Miss Michot was married to Mr. A. J. Beyer on November 21, 1925. Upon motion the resignation was accepted. See exhibit No. 1.
- b. Letter of November 11, 1925, addressed to Rev. E.L. Powell from Mrs. Henry Watterson. This letter was in reply to Dr. Powell's letter thanking Mrs. Watterson in the name of the Library Board for book, etc. and funds. See exhibit No. 2.
- c. Letter of November 15, 1925 from Miss Harriet E. Howe. Miss Howe, with Mr. Herbert S. Hirshberg of the A.L. A. Board of Education for Librarianship, spent a day in Louisville, November 12, inspecting our training class. This letter is thanking the staff for the courtesies shown them. See exhibit No. 3.
- d. Letter of November 19, 1925 to the special committee, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Dr. Powell and the Librarian. This committee is to confer with Mr. Thruston and others regarding the Filson Club Library and their personal libraries, requesting that they be deposited with the Louisville Free Public Library. See exhibit No. 4.
- e. Letter of November 18, 1925 to Mr. Brainard Platt, Managing Editor, Courier-Journal. This letter is in regard to a book plate contest for a design for the Watterson Memorial Library. See exhibit No. 5.
- f. Letter of November 18, 1925 to the Fidelity and Columbia Trust Co. This letter was signed by the Librarian, requesting that the Fidelity and Columbia Trust Co. turn over to the Louisville Trust Company as Treasurer of the Library, \$4,000.00 of the \$5,000.00 called for in the codicil to Mr. Watterson's will. See exhibit No. 6.
- g. Letter of November 20, 1925 from the Fidelity and Columbia Trust Company,

signed by L. F. Michael, Trust Officer, advising us that they were sending check for \$4,000.00 to the Louisville Trust Company, and asking for a receipt for books and articles delivered. See exhibit No. 7.

h. Letter of November 21, 1925 to the Fidelity and Columbia Trust Company, signed by the Librarian, enclosing receipt called for. See exhibit No. 8.

i. Letter of December 3, 1925 signed by Arthur T. Sturgeon, President, Junior Student Jefferson School of Law, enclosing petition signed by 64 law students, requesting that all the Kentucky reports be placed in the Library.

The Librarian reported that we have volumes 145 to date, but do not have volumes 1 to 144 inclusive. Upon motion the Librarian was instructed to get prices on volumes 1 to 144 inclusive to complete our file, and the matter was referred to the Library Committee to report at the next meeting of the Board. See exhibit No. 9.

j. The Librarian stated that Mr. E. J. Powell, a Baptist Seminary student, room 129, New York Hall, offered a collection to our Museum provided we would give it floor space immediately. He stated that he had 14 cases 3 x 6 feet, and tables containing about 15,000 specimens of Indian relics, etc. collected by his father and himself, covering many years research, and about 22 additional cases, some larger and some smaller than 3 x 6 feet, containing a promiscuous collection gathered in a trip around the world. He stated one case contained some very valuable ivory relics. The Librarian offered to receive the material as a gift and display as much as we had floor space available, and store the balance, but this did not meet with his approval. His home is Cannolton, Indiana. He will spend the next four years at the Seminary here and wants the collection exhibited here so he can enjoy it, otherwise he will give it to some other institution.

Mr. Thruston is familiar with this collection and said it was well worth while, but regretted that we were not in a position to accept it under the conditions. Upon motion the Librarian was instructed to thank Mr. Powell but decline the gift unless it was presented without conditions.

k. The following gifts were announced for record in the minutes. Upon motion they were received and the Librarian instructed to extend the thanks of the Board.

1. Mrs. Nannie Hite Winston - bronze bust, sculptor and subject not known.
2. Mrs. Morris Belknap - The Lindisfarne Gospels, one large folio volume and valuable.
3. Mrs. Churchill Humphrey - collection of 150 books
4. Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston - Samuel Johnson's Works of the poets, volumes 1-3; 5-6 (1793-1801). An added value to this gift is that the set was the property of the Louisville Library in 1820.

l. List of most popular books in November was read. See exhibit No. 10.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

December 9, 1925

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report is submitted herewith showing cash balance on December 1 of \$900.95. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library



building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$3,900.95.

Interest on mortgage, \$7,562.50, is due December 15, 1925. We are submitting herewith voucher number 43 covering this amount, payable to Louisville Trust Company.

The Louisville Trust Company reports that they have received \$4,000.00 from the Fidelity and Columbia Trust Company, paid on account of the Henry Watterson bequest, which will appear in our receipts for December.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed, and payment of interest on mortgage \$7,562.50, due December 15, ordered paid.

The Librarian's report for November was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 129,330 volumes, an increase of 12,550 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 68,340 volumes were circulated to adults and 60,990 to children, fifty-one per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 915 borrowers registered during the month, making a total of 59,683 persons registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 16,948 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. There was an attendance of 2,317 in the Civics Room and the visitors to the Museum numbered 1,947. There were 1,947 volumes added to the library in November and 2,519 volumes cataloged, making a total of 268,398 volumes available for public use.

The Finance Committee submitted the budget for the year and read the following report:

December 9, 1925

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

Dr. Rauch, with the Chairman of the Finance Committee and the Librarian, met in Mr. Barker's office Friday November 27, 1925 at 12 o'clock noon to adopt a budget for the year.

We have gone over the figures carefully and submit budget calling for \$133,809.57 from city taxes. The whole budget calls for \$187,310.87 but the balance is from other sources.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

see next page for budget

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

TO THE MAYOR, COMPTROLLER AND THE JOINT FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN AND COUNCILMEN

7-11-26

Gentlemen:

We are submitting budget showing receipts and expenditures necessary for the Free Public Library for the fiscal year September 1, 1925 - August 31, 1926, calling for \$133,809.57 from city taxes.

Source of income		Necessary 1925-26	Receipts last year
City taxes	12,076.15	\$ 133,809.57	\$ 121,733.42
Jefferson County		12,500.00	12,500.00
Fines, lost books, etc.		5,000.00	5,772.77
Rent (K.S. building)	30,000.00	36,000.00	33,000.00
Balance		1.30	.16
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>109,076.29</b>	<b>\$ 187,310.87</b>	<b>\$ 173,006.35</b>

Expenditure accounts		Necessary 1925-26	Spent last year
Expense		\$ 9,000.00	\$ 9,016.98
Heat		7,500.00	7,504.43
Light, Power		3,700.00	3,719.43
Books	6,126.07	31,626.45	25,500.38
Pay Roll	7,617.78	103,779.00	96,161.22
Repairs & Improvements	2,777.46	5,000.00	2,222.54
Furniture & Fixtures	121.40	500.00	378.60
Insurance	322.11	5,104.26	4,782.15
Interest on loans		1,090.75	1,090.75
<b>Special</b>		<b>\$ 167,300.46</b>	<b>\$ 150,376.48</b>
Interest on mortgage		15,010.41	15,285.41
Retiring mortgage		5,000.00	5,000.00
Appraisal - K. S. building			2,343.16
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>16,964.82</b>	<b>\$ 187,310.87</b>	<b>\$ 173,005.05</b>

The budget calls for an increase of 16,964.82, but we are asking the city for an increase of only \$12,076.15. This increase is necessary to take care of necessary repairs and improvements on the Main library and branches (\$2,777.46) increased insurance (\$322.11) pay roll (\$7,617.78) book (\$6,126.07) and furniture and fixtures (\$121.40). The increase for the book account is to take care of replacements and re-binding of books that should have been replaced and rebound last year and the year before. The pay roll is for increases to Junior Assistants and Assistants this year and all increases made last year for seven months that have to be paid twelve months this year. Insurance shows an increase of only \$322.11 but this really means an increase of \$4,819.60. This is to take care of additional insurance on the Kaufman-Streus building, Main library and all branches to bring our insurance up to the 80% and 90% clauses under the new valuation.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Librarian

Approved:  
(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER  
Chairman Finance Committee

27 November 1925

After remarks by Mr. Barker, Dr. Rauch and others, upon motion the report and budget were approved.

The following report was read by Mr. Barker of the Special Insurance Committee:

December 9, 1925

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The insurance committee recommends an expenditure of \$5,104.26 for insurance for the year. This amount is included in the budget.

Policies falling due amount to \$284.66. The additional insurance on Main and Branches to bring buildings and contents up to the 80% clause amounts to \$3,439.60. Additional insurance on Kaufman-Straus building to take care of insurance on repairs and bring insurance up to 90% clause amounts to \$324.00. Tornado insurance on Kaufman-Straus building to carry \$455,000 (90% of the value of the building under the new valuation) with 55% discount on rate of 5.15 for 3 years amounts to \$1,056.00. This makes a total of \$5,104.26.

Your committee recommends that this insurance be issued immediately upon approval of this recommendation by the Board.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER,  
Chairman

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Upon motion this recommendation was approved and the Librarian authorized to have this insurance issued.

The Library Committee report was read by Mrs. Gamble and upon motion recommendation to pay the December salaries before Christmas was approved.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$21,108.35 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$8,636.23, voucher No. 41, checks Nos. 2717-2820 inclusive, signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid December 1. This also includes voucher No. 43 to Louisville Trust Company for interest on mortgage, \$7,562.50, due December 15. This leaves a balance of \$4,909.62, voucher No. 42, checks Nos. 2821-2886 inclusive to be paid:

American Library Association	\$ 17.22
American Multigraph Sales Co.	5.45
American Printing House for the Blind	31.84
Arctic Ice Co.	23.48
Samuel L. Avery and Co.	25.00
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Department	67.60
Brakmeier Bros.	6.75

John T. Brettbeil	8.00
Carter Dry Goods Co.	3.90
Childers Electric Co.	70.03
City Club of Chicago	1.00
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	94.25
C. T. Dearing Printing Co.	10.75
O. M. Dillman Sales Co.	18.00
Dodd, Mead and Co.	1.74
R. O. Dusch	75.30
E. P. Dutton and Co.	12.88
Eugene B. Dye	4.00
Elbert Coal Co.	420.18
F. W. Faxon Co.	1.65
Geo. G. Fetter Co.	5.70
Finger Paper Box Co.	80.92
Gardiner and Co.	10.00
Gaylord Bros.	111.90
Gulf Refining Co.	19.14
Harvard University Press	2.50
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	2.00
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	157.41
R. Jeunesse	53.60
Kaufman-Straus Co.	541.54
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	682.80
Kentucky Tent and Awning Co.	8.00
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind	9.30
Keystone Stationery Mfg. Co.	3.78
Klein Bros.	1.25
Library Bureau	36.00
Library, Southern Baptist Theological Seminary	3.00
Lodenkemper Bros.	5.20
Longmans, Green and Co.	20.59
Longs Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	178.82
Louisville Home Telephone Co.	27.05
Anna Blanche McGill	59.25
Macmillan Co.	8.86
Meffert Equipment Co.	7.07
Miller Paper Co.	17.27
National Committee for the Prevention of Blindness	2.00
National Municipal League	5.00
National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution	9.00
S. and A. E. Oberfelder	15.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Allen M. Reager and Co.	31.19
Ruud Mfg. Co.	24.20
W. K. Stewart Co.	322.05
Geo. T. Settle, Librarian - Petty Cash	88.95
J. E. Sikking	8.40
Southeastern Paper Co.	9.32
Spectator Co.	50.00
Standard Printing Co.	173.70
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	19.12
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	1,005.93

Prince Wells Co.	22.51
Wilderness Road Book Shop	139.48
H. W. Wilson Co.	4.80
Wisconsin Library Commission	1.00
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	\$ 4 909.62
Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Librarian, Pay Roll	8 636.23
Louisville Trust Co., Interest on mortgage	7 562.50
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Total . . . . .	\$ 21,108.35

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no unfinished or new business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Feb 10/26

E. L. Powell President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

Exhibit No. 1

October 24, 1925

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

My dear Mr. Settle:

I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the staff of the Louisville Free Public Library, to take effect November 1.

My associations with the Library have been very pleasant and I thank you and the Board for the courtesies extended to me.

Yours very truly

(Signed) Adele C. Michot

Exhibit No. 2

November 11th, 1925

Rev. E. L. Powell  
Chairman Library Board  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Dr. Powell:

It gives me great pleasure to thank you formally as Chairman of the

Library Board (Louisville Free Public Library) and also informally as my friend and Pastor for your kind letter of November fourth.

If I have accomplished the work left me to do, and in return have received such commendation as you and the Library Board have seen fit to bestow, my cup of happiness should indeed be full.

I trust the Henry Watterson Library will afford useful and delightful reading for many a long year to the people of Louisville whom he loved so long and so well.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) MRS. HENRY WATTERSON

Exhibit No. 3

15 November 1925

My dear Mr. Settle:

Louisville's rain lasted through all of Pennsylvania, but New York so far has chosen to smile.

Nevertheless the day in your city was a great pleasure and both Mr. Hirschberg and I are much pleased to have been selected for that visitation.

The opportunity to lunch with your capable, attractive staff and to meet Mrs. Settle are privileges which we appreciate to the full. Many thanks for the gracious hospitality and for the chance to talk over training class problems at your library.

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) HARRIET E. HOWE

P.S. Please remind Miss Simpson to send in the bill for the telegrams which she sent for me.

H.E.H.

Exhibit No. 4

November 19, 1925

Dr. Charles R. Hemphill, Chairman  
Mr. Henry B. Heyburn  
Dr. E. L. Powell  
The Librarian

Gentlemen:

At the last meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library upon motion the Chairman named Dr. Charles R. Hemphill, Mr. Henry Heyburn, Dr. E. L. Powell and the Librarian as a committee to confer with Mr. R.C. Ballard Thruston, Mr. Temple Bodley, Mr. George Todd, someone representing Mr. Gilmer S. Adams, and others regarding the Filson Club library and any other material that may be in the hands of these gentlemen, to request that it be placed in the Louisville Free Public Library.

The Librarian stated that the Art Room could be arranged to take care of

the Filson Club library but that it would be better to have an additional wing built to add to our Museum and Reference Room floor space, in which could be housed historical material of the Filson Club and books and other material that these gentlemen might be persuaded to donate to the Library.

A copy of this memorandum has been sent to all members of the committee and Dr. Hemphill will call a meeting at his convenience.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

GTS /S

Exhibit No. 5

November 18, 1925

Mr. Brainard Platt, Managing Editor  
Courier-Journal  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Platt:

The Library Board approves of the Book Plate Contest for a design for the Henry Watterson Memorial Library provided it met with the approval of Mrs. Watterson. I have had an interview with Mrs. Watterson and she also approves of it. This opens up the way for us to have this contest if it meets with your approval. The understanding was that the prize would be offered by the Courier-Journal and not by the library or Mrs. Watterson.

I am enclosing samples of the three memorial book plates that have been used in the library and a copy of the ordinary gift plate that is used unless the gift plate is given by the donors or their friends. I am also enclosing typewritten list of books on book plates. I thought if the contest was conducted this list might be published, and the books set aside in the Reference Room.

The understanding is that the Librarian must be one of the judges in awarding the prize. If you still think this is feasible and will make an appointment I shall be glad to call to discuss it with you at any time that suits your convenience.

The books, amounting to 6,915 volumes, together with some of the art material have been delivered to the library. The books are to be classified and cataloged and made ready for the alcove. Mr. O. F. Ward, architect and engineer, Lincoln Bank Building, is preparing a sketch for the alcove. This alcove will be placed either in the Reference Room or Art Room at the Main Library. The material includes a portrait and bronze bust of Mr. Watterson and the desk on which he did most of his writings in his library at Mansfield, with other art material yet to be delivered.

I enclose copy of codicil to Mr. Watterson's will.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Librarian

GTS/S

Exhibit No. 6

November 18, 1925

Fidelity and Columbia Trust Co.  
Fifth and Jefferson Sts.  
Louisville, Ky.

Attention:  
Mr. L. F. Michael, Trust Officer

Gentlemen:

The Library Board at its last regular meeting November 11, 1925 upon motion accepted the gift of books, etc. together with \$5,000.00 for an alcove to be constructed and known as the "Henry Watterson Alcove" bequeathed to the Library in a codicil to Mr. Watterson's will.

Your letter of September 21, 1925 stating that you were in a position to pay \$4,000.00 of this bequest was read. Upon motion the Librarian was instructed to receive \$4,000.00 of the \$5,000.00 with the understanding that the balance or any part which you are able to pay will be paid at Mrs. Watterson's death.

Please make check payable to Louisville Trust Company, Treasurer, Louisville Free Public Library. I am enclosing copy of this letter to the Louisville Trust Company.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

GTS /S

Exhibit No. 7

November 20, 1925

Louisville Free Public Library  
City

Gentlemen:

We have your favor of the 8th, and as requested are sending a check to the Louisville Trust Company as Treasurer of the Louisville Free Public Library for Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.00) on account of bequest under the will of Henry Watterson, to be used in the construction of the compartment to be called "The Henry Watterson Alcove."

It will be necessary for us to have in our files a receipt for the books, pictures, etc., delivered to you by Mrs. Watterson, and we ask that you sign and return to us the enclosed receipt.

Yours very truly

(Signed) L. F. MICHAEL  
Trust Officer

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Exhibit No. 8

November 21, 1925

Fidelity and Columbia Trust Co., Executor  
 Henry Watterson Estate  
 Fifth and Jefferson Sts.,  
 Louisville, Ky.

Attention of  
 Mr. Michael

Gentlemen:

In reply to your letter of November 20, 1925 enclosing blank receipt to be signed, for Henry Watterson material. I am pleased to sign this and am returning it herein.

On the back of the receipt you will find an itemized list of the articles received.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
 Librarian

GTS/B

6,915 volumes	Portrait Alexander Campbell (oil)
Mr. Watterson's desk	Regalia of Mr. Watterson-on staff
Bust of Mr. Watterson (bronze)	burial of Grant (framed)
Portrait of Mr. Watterson (oil)	Drawings of Mr. Watterson (framed)
Bust of Washington (bronze)	2 photographs of original staff
Bust of Mary Anderson (marble)	Courier-Journal (framed)
Statuette-Youth of Lincoln (bronze)	3 pictures-editors of all countries
Replica Lincoln Statue (bronze)	(framed)
Portrait Henry Clay (oil)	

Exhibit No. 9

December 3, 1925

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

Dear Mr. Settle:

The names signed to the attached petition represents the Junior Student Body of the Jefferson School of Law.

According to members of the class who have looked up cases and information have found the library to have only part of the reports.

If it were possible to have access to all the Kentucky reports it would prove advantageous and beneficial to us.

Assuring you of our appreciation of any consideration given this matter, we beg to remain,

Yours very truly

(Signed) A. T. STURGEON  
 President,  
 Junior Student Jefferson School of Law

Exhibit No. 10

## MOST POPULAR BOOKS IN NOVEMBER 1925

## Fiction

Parrish	Perennial bachelor
Cather	Professor's house
Porter	Keeper of the bees
Hutchinson	One increasing purpose
Barrington	Glorious Apollo
Gibbs	Soundings
Kennedy	Constant nymph
Ostenso	Wild geese
Lewis	Arrowsmith
Wells	Christina Alberta's father

## Non-Fiction

Grey	Twenty-five years
Anthony	Catherine the Great
Brousson	Anatole France, himself
Keyserling	Travel diary of a philosopher
Bianci	Life and works of Emily Dickinson
Wiggam	Fruit of the family tree
Mantle	Best plays of 1924-25
Lowell	John Keats
Werner	Brigham Young
Benjamin	Beau Brummel

## BASIS FOR SALARY BUDGET 1925 - 26.

	Minimum	Maximum	Paid
Librarian	\$ 300	\$ 417	2100 ✓
Heads of Departments	150	200	160 ✓
Librarian's Secretary & Bookkeeper	150	200	160 ✓
Branch Librarians	125	150	125 ✓
Senior Assistants	100	120	100-115
Assistants	85	95	85-90
Junior assistants	60	80	60-80
Appointments from class	60	70	60
Substitutes	55	85	55-65
Class- substitutes 6 months	55	60	55
Class- training 6 months		30	30 (6 mos)
Pages	30	50	30-40

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday January 13, 1926 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mr. Barker, Dr. Hemphill, Dr. Rauch, Mr. Thruston (five), and the Librarian. Mrs. Gamble and Mayor Will had signified by return postal card that they would be present but failed to report. We failed to reach Mrs. Gamble at her home or at the Woman's Club by phone. Mr. Barker reported that he had told Mayor Will it was just a regular meeting and it was not necessary for him to come unless needed for a quorum, but since we could not reach Mrs. Gamble to complete a quorum we did not telephone Mayor Will. Dr. Mullins and Monsignor Schuhmann were reported ill, Mr. Heyburn and Mr. Ossmann out of the city, and Dr. Pfingst and Dr. Powell unable to attend.

The Librarian submitted report showing an expenditure of \$19,590.20, which includes Voucher No. 44, \$8,645.30, checks Nos. 2887-2990 inclusive for Pay Roll paid December 21; also voucher No. 46 to the Louisville Trust Company, \$5,022.91, retiring mortgage \$5,000.00 and interest \$22.91. This leaves voucher No. 45, checks Nos. 2991-3074 inclusive for monthly bills. Mr. Barker, Chairman of the Finance Committee, with other members present audited the bills and authorized payment of same, with the understanding that their action be approved by the Board at its next meeting.

Bills ordered paid are as follows:

Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce	\$	4.20
American Elip Co.		1.30
American Library Association		4.44
A. J. Anderson		41.14
Arctic Ice Co.		19.33
Robin M. Baggerly		5.94
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Department		82.71
John T. Breitbeil		8.00
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.		2.13
Childers Electric Co.		22.05
C. M. Cruger		100.00
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.		129.38
C. T. Dearing Printing Co.		12.25
Diem and Wing Paper Co.		16.28
K. Dreher Hardware Co.		4.75
R. O. Dusch		28.55
E.P. Dutton and Co.		11.71
Elbert Coal Co.		373.14
F. W. Faxon Co.		13.14
Geo. G. Fetter Co.		2.00
J. W. Fischer		2.60
Franklin Printing Co.		131.00
Gardiner and Co.		10.00
Gaylord Bros.		32.30

	1,658.24
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	3.00
Herald-Post Co.	52.00
H. S. Hirshberg	5.50
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Hubbuch Bros. and Weillendorff	1.00
R. Jeunesse and Sons	4.35
E. A. Jonas	10.60
Kaufman-Straus Co.	295.49
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	333.70
Kentucky Outlook Co.	4.00
Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.	2.84
Herman C. Korfhage	2.50
John W. Leonard Corporation	9.78
Library Bureau	9.50
Library of Congress	100.00
Little, Brown and Co.	1.71
Iodenkemper Brothers	4.70
Longmans, Green and Co.	21.28
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Chemical Co.	25.00
Louisville Courier-Journal and Louisville Times	54.40
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	178.13
Louisville Grocery Co.	6.75
Louisville Paper Co.	20.85
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	17.16
John P. Morton and Co.	42.31
Anna Blanche McGill	28.37
Macmillan Co.	5.04
Mayes Printing Co.	4.75
Meffert Equipment Co.	31.20
Miller Paper Co.	24.27
Mitchell Bros.	3.00
Moody's Investors Service	100.00
Morehouse Publishing Co.	1.04
Mountain Life and Work	1.00
New York Times Index	8.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
William J. Reilly	450.00
C. V. Ritter	4.10
Royal Typewriter Co.	4.00
W. K. Stewart Co.	946.15
Schwarz, Clifford and Scott	13.42
W. R. Seestadt	5.60
George T. Settle, Librarian - Petty Cash	69.38
Short's Tire Service	2.00
J. E. Sicking	115.60
Special Libraries Association	5.00
Standard Auto Co.	1.50
Standard Oil Co.	19.14
Standard Printing Co.	23.00
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	19.12
Eugene Straus Cabinet Works	460.00
Tehan and Head	7.50

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Timberlake and Trueheart		2.09
University of Chicago Press		2.82
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.		979.80
Prince Wells Co.		4.15
Western Union Telegraph Co.		4.50
Wilderness Road Bookshop		281.56
H. W. Wilson Co.		4.00
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		\$ 5,921.99
Pd) George T. Settle, Librarian, Pay Roll		8,645.30
Louisville Trust Co. - Retiring mortgage:	5,000.00	
Interest, one mo.	22.91	
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		5,022.91
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Total . . . . .		\$ 19,590.20

MINUTES APPROVED:

July 10/26

E. L. Powell Vice-President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday February 10, 1926 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Dr. Rauch, Monsig. Schuhmann, and the Librarian, with Vice-President Powell in the chair. Mr. Barker and Mr. Thruston were reported out of the city, Dr. Mullins ill, and Mayor Will telephoned asking to be excused unless needed for a quorum.

The minutes of the regular December 9, 1925 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

The minutes of the regular January 13, 1926 meeting were read. There was not a quorum present and the action of those present in authorizing payment of bills upon motion was approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Librarian's letter of January 11, 1926 to Mr. L. F. Michael, Trust Officer, Fidelity and Columbia Trust Co. regarding pictures loaned by Miss Lulie Henning. See exhibit No. 1.
- b. Letter of January 28, 1926 from Miss Lulie Henning, requesting return of pictures. The Librarian stated that three pictures were delivered to Miss Henning February 4. Upon motion the action of the Librarian was approved. See exhibit No. 2.
- c. Letter of February 1, 1926 from Kentucky Title Co., signed Marshall B. Hardy, Manager Title Department. Upon motion of Mr. Thruston the Librarian was instructed to have copies of all deeds lacking on the Main library site, together with title insurance on each, made for Secretary's file. We found the following deeds lacking - Halderman, Ouchterlony and Delph properties, with guaranty insurance on the Halderman and Ouchterlony but no guaranty insurance on the Delph. We found all the deeds recorded in the Clerk's office and had attested copies made. Later when we went to the Kentucky Title Company to investigate title insurance on this property we found that they had the three original deeds to the Delph property, which they delivered to us, but that no title insurance had ever been issued. We found that the Kentucky Title Company had passed on the will of said John M. Delph, for which we had paid voucher No. 300, March 1, 1905, examine title of Delph lot, \$75.00, but had failed to pay \$105.00 additional for title insurance. After some discussion, upon motion of Mr. Heyburn, seconded by Mr. Ossmann, and approved, the Librarian was authorized to have this title insurance issued, cost \$105.00. See exhibit No. 3.
- d. Bid of Thomas L. Barret, under date of February 2, 1926, to place revolving storm door at the Main library. This was suggested by one of the Trustees but since the cost was not included in the

budget and the season is so far gone, the bid, upon motion, was tabled. See letter and bid in file.

- e. The following gift was announced and upon motion the Secretary instructed to send the thanks of the Board:  
Miss Mary Lafon, through Mrs. Hoyt Gamble, 68 volumes, together with some unmounted photographs for the picture collection.
- f. List of most popular books for December 1925 was read. See exhibit No. 4.
- g. List of most popular books for January 1926 was read. See exhibit No. 5.
- h. The Librarian stated that in issuing insurance on the Main library building and contents, the question was raised as to whether the steel stacks were to be considered as part of the building, or contents, and asked for a decision of the Board. The question was discussed and upon motion of Dr. Rauch, seconded by Mr. Heyburn, and approved, the Librarian was instructed to include the steel stacks in the \$325,000 insurance on building.
- i. Resignation of Miss Cornelia B. Rosenberger upon motion was accepted. Miss Rosenberger was married on February 1, 1926. See exhibit No. 6.

At this point Dr. Hemphill, Chairman of the special committee to confer with Mr. Thruston and others regarding the Filson Club library and other libraries, asked to be allowed to make a report. Dr. Hemphill stated that he had talked with one gentleman who said emphatically that he would not give his library to the Louisville Free Public Library. He said that it would be a serious mistake to give his library to an institution that might one day be politically controlled, and for this reason he would not consider it. Dr. Hemphill preferred not to mention the gentleman's name at this time. There were several remarks made by members of the Board and upon motion the special committee was continued, and Dr. Hemphill asked to let us have his report in writing.

In the absence of Mr. Barker, Chairman, Dr. Hemphill read the Treasurer's report as follows:

February 10, 1926

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's reports for December 1925 and January 1926 are submitted herewith. The report for December shows cash balance January 1, 1926 of \$185.83, to which \$3,000 rent from Public Library building was added. The report for January shows cash balance on February 1, 1926 of \$1,068.46. To this is to be added \$3,000 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$4,068.46.

Voucher No. 46 to the Louisville Trust Company, to retire \$5,000 on mortgage and pay one month's interest, \$22.91, total \$5,022.91 was signed by

the Chairman of the Finance Committee and paid January 15, 1926.

We requested of the city \$133,809.57, thinking  $3 \frac{3}{4}$  cents would net about this amount, but we were allowed  $3 \frac{5}{8}$  cents which will net us about \$12,000. less. It is recommended that the Book Account be cut about \$6,000., Repairs and Improvements about \$2,000. and strict economy exercised in the expense and other accounts to take care of the other \$4,000., and with these changes, that the budget stand as adopted at the last Board meeting.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) C. R. HEMPHILL

Member Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's reports for December 1925 and January 1926 upon motion were approved and ordered filed. The report for December shows a circulation of 105,846 volumes, a decrease of 527 as compared to the same month last year. The report for January shows a circulation of 126,365 volumes, an increase of 8,293 as compared to the same month last year. The circulation for December shows a little more than fifty per cent fiction and the circulation for January shows fifty per cent fiction. There were 755 new borrowers registered in December and 922 in January, making a total of 59,519 borrowers registered. The Reference Department report for December shows 17,551 more important questions asked and topics looked up, an increase of 4,496 compared to the same month last year, and 21,224 for January 1926, an increase of 6,017. The attendance in the Civics Room for December was 2,318, and for January 2,360. There were 99 newspapers read for items and 1,311 clippings filed in December and 75 newspapers read for items and 1,036 clippings filed in January. There were 2,000 visitors to the Museum in December and 2,266 in January. There were 1,076 volumes added in December and 1,821 volumes cataloged, and 1,289 volumes added in January and 1,043 volumes cataloged, making a total of 270,763 volumes available for public use.

The Library Committee report was read by Monsig. Schuhmann.

The Librarian had had requests from three heads of departments for time off with pay to attend the Summer Institute for instruction in library science at Chicago, July 29-September 1, 1926. This time, with the regular month's vacation added, would mean they would be away for three months with pay. The Librarian



recommended that this be not granted, but that time be allowed without pay, which he thinks would eliminate two of the three. Upon motion time will be granted without pay.

The request from law students that the library add volumes 1 - 144 inclusive of Kentucky Reports to complete our set, was referred to the Library Committee at the December meeting. The Librarian stated that to complete the set the cost would not exceed \$250. and that we were having constant demand for these reports at night and on Sundays and holidays. Upon motion action was deferred.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$14,199.26 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$8,657.00, voucher No. 47, checks Nos. 3075-3177 inclusive, signed by a member of the Library Committee and paid February 1, This leaves a balance of \$5,542.26, voucher No. 48, checks Nos. 3178-3294 inclusive, to be paid.

American Library Association	\$ 7.80
American Multigraph Sales Co.	4.07
American Printing House for the Blind	22.24
Arctic Ice Co.	19.18
Samuel L. Avery and Co.	13.98
Robert L. Badger	34.95
Bailey, Stuart and Co.	34.95
Barret, Robinson and Dickey	20.97
J. W. E. Bayly & Co.	18.64
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Department	51.59
Bloom and Herrmann	13.98
Booker and Kinnaird	13.98
Brakmeier Bros.	7.20
John T. Breitbeil	8.00
Breuer and Co.	9.32
Brown and Martin	44.28
Burkley and Tierney	20.97
Canode Ink Co.	1.50
Carpenter and Dudley	12.07
Carter Dry Goods Co.	3.90
Central Glass Co.	3.15
Chapman Insurance Agency	33.79
Childers Electric Co.	17.90
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	128.58
Danforth and Co.	4.39
H. V. Davis and Co.	9.32
Dugan, Humphreys and Co.	9.32
E. P. Dutton and Co.	4.35
Elbert Coal Co.	269.91
Electric Blue Print and Supply Co.	4.50
Charles Evans	25.00
Charles V. Franck	26.00
K. Dreher Hardware Co.	10.50
Samuel French	2.22
Gardiner and Co.	10.00

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Gaunt and Harris	23.30
Gibson-Winer and Co.	23.20
Charles H. Gorham	11.65
Charles D. Greer and Co.	3.99
Gulf Refining Co.	19.14
Robert L. Hawes and Co.	23.30
Heaton-Kortright, Ltd.	4.00
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	7.75
H. S. Hirshberg	3.50
T. J. Hoke	3.00
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	2.00
H. R. Huntting Co.	6.47
Hummel and Meyer	11.65
Hunter and Hellman	32.62
Jefferson, Noyes and Embry	4.66
Jenne-Hardy Co.	1.25
R. Jeunesse and Sons	14.25
Jewish Publication Society of America	5.00
E. A. Jonas	12.85
Kaufman-Straus Co.	736.70
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	319.30
Klein Bros.	1.25
Knott Bros.	34.95
Herman C. Korfhage	7.50
Krausgill Piano Co.	7.50
Lampton, Crane and Ramey Co.	11.91
Chas. A. Lang Agency	4.66
Henry H. Lang	4.66
Liberty Fire Insurance Co.	9.32
Longmans, Green and Co.	15.59
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	175.58
Louisville Paper Co.	30.57
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	9.81
Anna Blanche McGill	11.00
Macmillan Co.	65.66
Macpherson and Co.	37.28
Mann Insurance Agency	34.95
Meffert Equipment Co.	12.50
Edward J. Miller and Co.	41.94
Miller Paper Co.	15.00
Mitchell Bros.	1.30
Moellman & Hennessy	9.32
John P. Morton and Co.	4.50
National Education Association	5.00
Joseph J. Nelligan and Co.	59.45
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Perry Insurance Agency	26.26
Peter, Butler and Weaver	72.30
Pirtle, Weaver and Menefee	41.94
Pollok Foundation for Economic Research	3.42
Allen M. Reager and Co.	12.70
Reisert Insurance Agency	6.99
Remington Typewriter Co.	5.00
Reutlinger and Co.	5.83
Robinson, Wilson and Long	5.83
Schwarz, Clifford and Scott	43.15
H. C. Searle Co.	2.50
W. R. Seestadt	2.90

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George T. Settle, Librarian, Petty Cash	50.50
Sharp Insurance Agency	34.95
Short's Tire Service	1.00
K. A. Simms and Co.	144.60
J. B. Slaughter and Co.	13.98
H. H. Speier and Sons	2.25
Standard Printing Co.	18.50
W. K. Stewart Co.	673.66
Stith and Harris	11.65
Stone and Gnau	9.32
Sweeney and Co.	72.30
Tehan and Head	2.75
Timberlake and Trueheart	22.14
Tippett, Walker and Cronan	4.66
J. M. Todd and Co.	4.66
United Glue Factories	17.56
Vaughan and Co.	34.95
Viglioni and Langan	4.66
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	1 018.74
Prince Wells Co.	1.25
West Publishing Co.	7.00
Wilderness Road Bookshop	271.55
Richard R. Williams	52.08
H. W. Wilson Co.	21.45
	5 542.26
Pd) George T. Settle, Librarian, Pay Roll	8 657.00
	\$ 14 199.26

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

March 10/26

Arthur A. Hill President

Geo T. Settle Secretary

Exhibit No. 1

January 11, 1926

Mr. L. F. Michael  
Fidelity and Columbia Trust Company  
5th and Jefferson Streets  
Louisville, Kentucky

My dear Mr. Michael:

Miss Lula Henning made an offer through you to lend some paintings to the Louisville Free Public Library. These paintings were received and are hanging in the art room. See our letter of June 13, 1924.

Recently, while I was out of the office, Miss Henning called for the return of

these paintings. My secretary called her attention to the rule that loans to the library cannot be withdrawn except upon written request, which must be acted upon by the Library Board at one of its regular meetings. I am afraid Miss Henning misunderstood us. The rule was made to complete our records of any transaction of loans. If Miss Henning wants the collection or any part of it returned, the pictures are subject to her written order at any time after Wednesday, January 13, 1926.

As I wish to avoid any further delay to Miss Henning I will call the matter to the attention of the Library Board on Wednesday.

I trust you will explain our position to Miss Henning.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Secretary and Librarian

GTS/B

Exhibit No. 2

January 28, 1926

Lou. Free Public Library  
Mr. George T. Settle:

Dear Sir,

Will you kindly give Mr. Robison of The Gilding Shop, the Three Pastels (Heads). Pardon delay in reply to your kind note of Jan. 20th, but I am still confined to the house by severe indisposition.

Very truly

(Signed) LULIE HENNING

February 4, 1926

Received of LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY, three pastels (heads),  
Woman's head O.R.  
Woman's head O.R.  
Woman, by Mesquil de Chambourg  
for Miss Lulie Henning, as per her order

(Signed) L. ROBISON

Exhibit No. 3

February 1, 1926

Miss Clara L. Behrens,  
Louisville Free Public Library  
Fourth and York Streets,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Madam:-

When the Public Library bought the lot of land 50 by 200 feet at the Northwest corner of Fourth and York Streets from the John M. Delph estate in March 1904 the

Kentucky Title Company passed on the Will of said John M. Delph for the purpose of the conveyance to the Library and was paid therefor the sum of \$75.00.

There was no application made to the Kentucky Title Company for title insurance on this property. The title fee would have been \$105.00 for the title policy on the above described property at that time.

We can issue this policy as of that date for the above fee, that is, \$105.00.

Yours very truly  
 KENTUCKY TITLE COMPANY  
 (Signed) Marshall B. Hardy  
 Manager Title Department

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Exhibit No. 4

MOST POPULAR BOOKS IN DECEMBER 1926

Fiction

Ostenso	Wild geese
Barrington	Glorious Apollo
Hutchinson	One increasing purpose
Porter	Keeper of the bees
Farrish	Perennial bachelor
Cather	Professor's house
Gibbs	Soundings
Kennedy	Constant nymph
Morley	Thunder on the left
Cleugh	Matilda, the governess of the English

Non-fiction

Lewisohn	Israel
Keyserling	Travel diary of a philosopher
Wandell	Aaron Burr
Anthony	Catherine the Great
Barton	Man nobody knows
Bowers	Hamilton and Jefferson
Brusson	Anatole France
Hedin	My life as an explorer
Wiggam	Fruit of the family tree
Mantle	Best plays of 1924-25

Exhibit No. 5

MOST POPULAR BOOKS IN JANUARY 1926

Fiction

Ostenso	Wild geese
Porter	Keeper of the bees
Morley	Thunder on the left
Farrish	Perennial bachelor
Hutchinson	One increasing purpose
Arlen	Green hat
Cather	Professor's house
Kennedy	Constant nymph
Barrington	Glorious Apollo
Reymont	Peasants

Non-fiction

Dorsey	Why we behave like human beings
Barton	Man nobody knows
Carey	Life of William Carey
Anthony	Catherine, the Great
Wandell & Minne- gerode	Aaron Burr
Wiggam	Fruit of the family tree
Brousson	Anatole France, himself
Bowers	Hamilton and Jefferson
Lewisohn	Israel
Cushing	Life of William Osler

Exhibit No. 6

January 18, 1926

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

My dear Mr. Settle:

I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the staff of the Louisville Free Public Library, to take effect February 1.

My associations with the Library have been very pleasant and I thank you and the Board for the courtesies extended to me.

Yours very truly

(Signed) CORNELIA B. ROSENBERGER

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## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday March 10, 1926 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Dr. Rauch, Mr. Thruston, Mayor Will and the Librarian, with President Will in the chair. Dr. Mullins was reported out of the city, Mrs. Abbott and Monsie. Schuhmann unable to attend, and Mr. Heyburn asked to be excused if not needed for a quorum.

The minutes of the regular February 10, 1926 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter from Mrs. Henry Watterson under date of February 22, 1926, regarding Henry Watterson Memorial Collection book plate. The Librarian reported that the Courier-Journal had conducted a competitive contest for a design for the Henry Watterson Memorial Collection book plate, offering a prize of \$50. for the design selected. Thirty-three designs were submitted. Mr. L. M. Venrick, 426 East Oak Street, submitted the winning design. The Committee of judges named by the Courier-Journal were Miss Alice Cane, teacher of art in the Louisville Girls High School, Mrs. Kirby Chambers, Chairman of the Art Committee of the Women's Club, and the Librarian. The design has been reduced to a copper etching and bookplates printed. This is what Mrs. Watterson refers to in her letter. See Exhibit No. 1.
- b. The Librarian announced a gift of 74 volumes from Mrs. Gilbert Cowan, Cherokee Park, which upon motion was accepted and the Secretary instructed to convey the thanks of the Board.
- c. List of most popular books for February 1926 was read. See Exhibit No. 2.
- d. The Librarian announced that the library had an exhibit at the Armory during Radio and Better Homes Week, March 1-6, space donated by the Courier-Journal and Times.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

March 10, 1926

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance on March 1, 1926 of \$8,446.42 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000. rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$11,446.42.

Since this report was received, the Treasurer reports that \$77,538.32 has been received from city taxes. This enabled us to pay Bills Payable account, \$55,500.00 and interest on loans \$993.82 to the Louisville Trust Company. This was paid with voucher number 50 on March 9, 1926. A motion is in order approving this payment.

Respectfully submitted  
(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER  
Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for February upon motion was approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 122,351 volumes, an increase of 4,668 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 71,945 volumes were circulated to adults and 50,406 to children, fifty-five per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 1,166 new borrowers registered in February, making a total of 59,575 persons registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 18,079 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 1,006 as compared to February 1925. The attendance in the Civics Room was 2,380 and there were 1,765 visitors to the Museum. There were 1,172 volumes added to the library in February and 1,113 volumes cataloged, making the number of volumes available for public use 271,935.

The Library Committee reported that the training class had completed the work for the period September 1, 1925 - February 28, 1926 and that the examinations averaged as follows:

Anna Eugenia Clark	87.1
Alta Edith Cooper	75.0
Evelyn Filson	86.5
Mary Teresa Harig	77.5
Alene Hannah Laub	89.97
Esther Charlotte Lothman	80.9
May Alice Manning	84.07
Anna Virginia Mitchell	89.77
Salome Standish Ogdon	97.0
Josephine Gilbert Potter	76.6
Mary Frances Rademaker	83.5

The class began with thirteen members but Miss Mary Long Milliken dropped out on September 21 because her people moved to Chicago, and Mrs. Hilda Jonas Wright on January 9 to complete her work at the University of Louisville for a master's degree. The Librarian announced that the members of this class are now on the eligible list for substitute work and positions on the staff as vacancies occur.

The question of paying class members covering the period September 1926-February 1927 was discussed. Upon motion it was decided to limit the class to ten, paying them at \$30.00 per month as heretofore, 42 hours per week in class and practice work, but this action is not to establish a precedent. The Librarian is



still authorized to admit to the class not more than two members who are sent by other libraries in the state, but they are not to receive pay.

The Librarian announced that Miss Jennie M. Flexner, Head of the Circulation Department, and the Library had had a very signal honor paid by an invitation from the American Library Association asking Miss Flexner to come to Chicago on leave of absence for five months, to edit and compile a text book on circulation department work in a public library, to be used by library schools and library training classes. Upon motion Miss Flexner was granted this leave of absence, four months without pay, one month's pay allowed for her vacation.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$70,108.95 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll \$8,534.80, voucher No. 49, checks Nos. 3295-3395 inclusive, signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid March 1. This also includes voucher No. 50 to Louisville Trust Company for bills payable account, \$55,500.00 and interest on loans \$993.82, total \$56,493.82, signed by the Chairman of the Finance Committee and paid March 9. This leaves a balance of \$5,080.33 voucher No. 51, checks Nos. 3396-3473 inclusive to be paid:

Abingdon Press	\$ 3.86
American Child Health Association	3.00
American Library Association	37.86
American Multigraph Sales Co.	2.40
American Printing House for the Blind	33.71
D. Appleton and Co.	129.64
Arctic Ice Co.	18.92
Baptist Book Concern	2.25
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Department	82.00
R. R. Bowker Co.	1.70
John T. Breitbeil	3.00
Bush-Krebs Co.	6.86
Childers Electric Co.	33.19
Arthur H. Clark Co.	6.00
Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.	129.38
Oliver Ditson Co.	6.30
K. Dreher Hardware Co.	4.75
R. O. Dusch	19.10
F. P. Dutton and Co.	59.75
Elbert Coal Co.	195.08
Embry Box Co.	4.50
Geo. G. Fetter Co.	3.93
J. W. Fischer	2.40
Forbes Magazine	2.70
Franklin Printing Co.	10.50
Gardiner and Co.	10.00
Gaylord Bros.	1.22
	\$20.82

	618.86
Gibbs-Inman Co.	23.50
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	3.25
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Houghton, Mifflin and Co.	99.50
H. R. Huntting Co.	18.74
Jenne-Hardy Co.	1.00
Kaufman-Straus Co.	456.22
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	449.40
Kentucky Title Co.	105.00
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind	9.30
Alfred A. Knopf	2.35
Library of Congress	200.00
Lodenkemper Bros.	4.70
Long's Towel Supply	18.00
Longmans, Green and Co.	9.07
Louisville Chemical Co.	30.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	171.95
Louisville Paper Co.	52.39
Louisville Rubber Co.	6.50
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
John P. Morton and Co.	48.55
Macmillan Co.	99.59
Macmillan Co.	7.48
Mayes Printing Co.	30.60
Meffert Equipment Co.	17.00
Metropolitan Museum of Art	1.15
Miller Paper Co.	8.88
National Housing Association	5.00
National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution	3.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Rand, McNally Co.	36.00
Schwarz, Clifford and Scott	7.76
H. C. Searle Co.	12.90
George T. Settle, Librarian, Petty Cash	47.72
Short's Tire Service	4.25
J. E. Sicking	88.20
Southeastern Paper Co.	10.50
Standard Oil Co.	19.24
Standard Printing Co.	87.30
W. K. Stewart Co.	914.23
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	19.12
Stone and Gnau	19.60
Studies in Philology	4.00
Tehan and Head	2.50
University of Chicago Press	4.10
Weber Office Equipment Co.	34.00
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	987.12
Prince Wells Co.	16.59
Albert Whitman Co.	11.38
	5002.63

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Wilderness Road Book Shop		18.70	
Yale University Press		9.00	
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Pd) George T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll		8 534.80	
Pd) Louisville Trust Company			
Bills Payable	55,500.00		
Interest on loans	993.82	56 493.82	
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Total . . . . .			\$ 70,108.95

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

April 14/26

Arthur A. Rice President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

Exhibit No. 1

February 22nd, 1926

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

My dear Mr. Settle:

Your kind letter of the 17th inst. enclosing the successful "Henry Watterson Memorial Book-plate" has been received. The design seems to me dignified, appropriate and altogether artistic inclining to the ornate, but with reason for each feature. I am highly pleased with the work and shall write Mr. Venrick to this effect.

We are greatly indebted to the Courier-Journal for its interest in the matter, however, this goes without saying. The Courier-Journal is prime mover in all that concerns the perpetuation of the name and fame of Henry Watterson.

Perhaps I will reach Louisville early enough to assist you and the Library Board in passing judgment on several pictures that seem hardly worthy places in the Alcove.

Sincerely yours

(Signed) MRS. HENRY WATTERSON

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Exhibit No. 2

## MOST POPULAR BOOKS IN FEBRUARY 1926

## Fiction

Ostenso	Wild geese
Morley	Thunder on the left
Parrish	Perennial bachelor
Hutchinson	One increasing purpose
Porter	Keeper of the bees
Kennedy	Constant nymph
Cather	Professor's house
Grey	Vanishing American
Walpole	Portrait of a man with red hair
Reymont	Peasants

## Non-fiction

Dorsey	Why we behave like human beings
Barton	Man nobody knows
Klausner	Jesus of Nazareth
Lewisohn	Israel
Wiggen	Fruit of the family tree
Cushing	Life of Sir William Osler
Lowell	John Keats
Anthony	Catherine the Great
Kennedy	Mellows
La Sizeranne	Beatrice d'Este and her court

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday April 14, 1926 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Dr. Rauch, Mayor Will and the Librarian, with President Will in the chair. Mrs. Abbott was reported very ill and upon motion the Librarian was asked to write a letter expressing the sympathy and good wishes of the Board. Dr. Mullins, Mr. Ossmann, and Mr. Thruston were reported out of the city and Monsig. Schuhmann unable to attend.

The minutes of the regular March 10 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter of March 16, 1926 from Mayor Will, announcing the reappointment of Mrs. Abbott, Mrs. Gamble, and Dr. Pfingst. The Librarian reported that Mrs. Gamble and Dr. Pfingst had delivered their oath of affirmation but Mrs. Abbott has been quite ill for the past two weeks, confined to her bed, and for this reason has not delivered her oath. See exhibit No. 1.
- b. Librarian's letter of March 13, 1926 to Mr. Grover G. Sales, Department Counsel, calling attention to the will of Miss Caroline Cooper, who lived at 1613 South Third and died July 1925. See exhibit No. 2.
- c. Letter of March 20, 1926 from Mr. Grover G. Sales, enclosing copy of the sixth clause of the will of Miss Cooper. The pictures were left to the Art Association and under certain conditions revert to the Public Library. The Librarian stated that he had called attention to this item for record in the minutes. See exhibit No. 3.
- d. Letter of April 1, 1926 from Mrs. John M. Waggener, and the Librarian's reply of April 3. Mrs. Waggener offers a piano as a gift to the library, funds for purchase of same to be raised by women's clubs, etc. See exhibits Nos. 4 and 5.
- e. Letter from Mrs. V. O. Gilbert, 309 Crescent Court, received April 14, 1926. Mrs. Gilbert asks permission to use the basement of the Crescent Hill Branch Library for Sunday School classes while they are erecting the new Baptist Church building. Upon motion the Librarian was instructed to write that although the Board looks favorably upon the suggestion they regret that they are not able to grant the request by reason of a by-law which prevents such meetings in the buildings and to express the personal regret of each member of the Board. See exhibit No. 6.
- f. Resignation of Miss Imogene Greenaway, under date of March 1, 1926, upon motion was accepted. Miss Greenaway resigns to be married. See exhibit No. 7.
- g. Upon motion the following gifts were accepted and vote of thanks ex-

tended:

1. Mrs. Gilbert Cowan, Cherokee Park, 86 volumes
  2. Mrs. Andrew Cowan, 1048 Cherokee Road, 24 volumes.
- h. List of ten each most popular fiction and non-fiction titles for March was read. See exhibit No. 8.
- i. The Librarian reported that his attention has been called repeatedly by library patrons to the condition of the driveway, but that he had no funds to repair the drive or place a new one. He said that in either case the cost would be about \$1,000. and that the drive should be made five or six feet wider to accommodate automobiles. Upon motion, which was unanimously approved, the Librarian was instructed to request the Board of Public Works to place a new drive and to make it five or six feet wider than the present one. It is used more than York Street and saves the wear and tear of York Street.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

April 14, 1926

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance April 1, 1926 of \$19,305.38 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$22,305.38.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER  
Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for March upon motion was approved and ordered filed.

The report shows a circulation of 147,070 volumes, an increase of 16,030 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 85,982 volumes were circulated to adults and 61,088 to children. The Librarian called attention to the circulation of books for home use in March, 147,070 volumes, the largest month's circulation in the history of the library. An interesting fact in connection with this report is that a branch library went over the 10,000 circulation mark for the first time, Crescent Hill Branch having a circulation of 10,008. Another interesting item in connection with the report is that the per cent of fiction for the month is forty-seven. Every branch library and department shows an increase in circulation, with the exception of the Boys High School branch the Stations department, white. The Boys High School Branch Librarian had put in two weeks in lecturing to the various classes on the use of the library and

the Stations department reports that all of their telephone stations are closed temporarily. This explains the decrease in these two cases. See exhibit No. 9. There were 1,295 new borrowers registered in March, making a total of 59,792 borrowers registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 24,080 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 5,250. The attendance in the Civics Room was 2,569 and the visitors to the Museum during the month numbered 1,958. There were 2,658 volumes added to the library in March and 1,266 volumes cataloged, making the number of volumes available for public use 274,593.

The Librarian's recommendation, approved by the Library Committee, that the full time of an assistant be given to training class work (six months) to relieve Heads of Departments and Branch Librarians, upon motion was approved.

Dr. Powell called attention to an article in the American Mercury of April 1926 entitled "Hatrack" and said he thought it was not necessary for a resolution to be passed to exclude it from circulation. He said he did not approve of such an article for literary merit, etc. but thought it need not be withdrawn from circulation. It was thought best that no further action be taken.

The Librarian announced that Miss Mary Teresa Harig, on the eligible list and serving as a substitute at Highland Branch, had severed her connection with the library and was married on April 8, 1926.

Mr. Barker, Chairman of the special insurance committee, reported that the cost of insurance on Main Library, building and contents, had cost more than was anticipated when the budget was adopted, which has prevented the additional insurance recommended in the budget being taken out on branches. He asked authority to issue insurance recommended on branches and request insurance agencies to date their bills September 1, 1926, to be paid next fiscal year. Upon motion this was approved. We are now carrying on the Kaufman-Straus building, fire and tornado insurance each to the amount of \$455,000.00. This is ninety per cent (90%) of the value of the building. The tornado insurance is concurrent with fire. This means that if we

suffer a loss either by fire or tornado we will receive the insurance.

We are now carrying fire insurance on the Main Library, building \$325,000.00; contents \$200,000.00. This is eighty per cent (80%) of the value of the building.

Upon motion Mayor Will was re-elected President, Dr. E. L. Powell, Vice-President, George T. Settle, Secretary, and Louisville Trust Company, Treasurer, for the year. President Will announced standing committees for the year. See exhibit No. 10.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$15,934.38 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$8,547.74, voucher No. 52, checks Nos. 3474-3573 inclusive, signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid April 1. This leaves a balance of \$7,386.64, voucher No. 53, checks Nos. 3574-3683 inclusive to be paid.

American Book Company	\$ 59.37
American Library Association	5.84
American Multigraph Sales Co.	1.00
American Printing House for the Blind	28.99
Arctic Ice Co.	21.62
Mrs. William Breckinridge Ardery	10.00
Robert L. Badger	42.50
R. M. Baggerly	154.10
Bailey, Stuart, Wolff Agency	42.50
Henry Carey Baird and Co.	9.00
Baker and Taylor Co.	94.57
Barbee and Castleman	42.50
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Department	132.46
R. R. Bowker Co.	11.33
John T. Breitbeil	8.00
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.	6.60
Bush-Krebs Co.	13.50
Carpenter and Dudley	42.50
Central Glass Co.	7.99
Century Co.	111.43
Chapman Insurance Agency	42.50
Childers Electric Co.	46.28
F. A. Clegg and Co.	31.71
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	129.38
K. Dreher Hardware Co.	13.25
R. O. Dusch	3.85
E. P. Dutton and Co.	83.78
Elbert Coal Co.	227.64
Electric Blue Print and Supply Co.	4.50
F. W. Faxon Co.	4.58
Geo. G. Fetter Co.	7.25
J. W. Fischer	1.40
Franklin Printing Co.	5.75
Gardiner and Co.	10.00
Boone Gardner Nurseries	9.50

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Gaylord Brothers	79.51
Gibbs-Inman Co.	25.00
Gibson-Winer and Co.	42.50
Girl Scouts	8.00
Charles D. Greer and Co.	42.50
Gulf Refining Co.	19.24
Harper and Bros.	5.82
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	7.90
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	130.43
Jenne-Hardy Co.	9.00
E. A. Jonas	35.65
Journalism Publishing Co.	3.60
Kardex Rand Sales Corporation	46.57
Kaufman-Straus Co.	244.02
F. K. Kavanaugh	1.50
Kentucky and Louisville Mutual Insurance Co.	8.70
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	420.85
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind	6.00
Klein Bros.	11.00
Knott Bros.	42.50
Chas. A. Lang Agency	42.50
Longmans, Green and Co.	46.83
Longs Towel Supply Co.	9.00
Lookout Publishing Co.	5.00
Louisville Gas and Electric Co.	166.31
Louisville Paper Co.	24.35
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.60
Louisville Trust Co.	85.00
Anna Blanche McGill	4.75
Macmillan Co.	113.07
Mann Insurance Agency	42.50
Mayes Printing Co.	5.25
Meffert Equipment Co.	4.50
Miller Paper Co.	16.53
Milliken Battery Service Co.	2.75
Moellmann and Hennessy	42.50
John P. Morton and Co.	236.25
National Child Labor Committee	2.00
National Child Welfare Association	35.00
National Conference on City Planning	5.00
National Railway Publication Co.	18.00
National Society, Daughters of American Revolution	5.00
Joseph J. Nelligan and Co.	42.50
Carl A. Nuetzel Insurance Agency	85.00
Otis Elevator Co.	27.40
L. C. Page and Co.	60.96
Allen M. Reager and Co.	42.50
C. V. Ritter	59.90
Robinson, Wilson and Long	195.50
Schwarz, Clifford and Scott	5.40
Charles Scribner's Sons	48.66
H. C. Searle Co.	30.00
George T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	83.85
Sharp Insurance Agency	42.50
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Short's Tire Service	100.72
J. E. Sikking	98.95
Southeastern Paper Co.	15.25
Standard Printing Co.	78.30
W. K. Stewart Co.	1 440.98
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	19.24
E. S. Tachau and Sons	42.50
J. M. Todd and Co.	42.50
United Glue Factories	17.56
United States Daily	15.00
Vaughan and Co.	42.50
John A. Vetter	53.20
Weber Office Equipment Co.	17.00
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	981.30
Prince Wells Co.	16.76
Western Union Telegraph Co.	4.50
Albert Whitman and Co.	28.64
Richard R. Williams	42.50
H. W. Wilson Co.	10.35
Youngstown Public Library	13.57
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Pd) George T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	8 547.74
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Total . . . . .	\$ 15,934.38

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

May 12/26

Arthur A. Will President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

Exhibit No. 1

March 15, 1926

Mr. George T. Settle,  
 Librarian,  
 Fourth and York Streets,  
 Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Settle:

I have this day reappointed the following as members of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library:

Mrs. Carl Abbott  
 Mrs. Hoyt Gamble  
 Dr. A. O. Pfingst

Very truly,  
 (Signed) ARTHUR A. WILL  
 Mayor

Exhibit No. 2

March 13, 1926

Mr. Grover G. Sales, Department Counsel  
 City Attorney's Office  
 City Hall  
 Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Sales:

The Fidelity and Columbia Trust Company are executor and trustee under the will of Miss Caroline Cooper who lived at 1613 S. Third Street and died sometime in July 1925.

The will which disposes of an estate valued at \$190,000 leaves a trust fund of \$3,000 for an art association. In the event that such an association does not exist within five (5) years I understand that the paintings and antiques of which she has a considerable collection, are to be left to the Louisville Free Public Library.

I wish at your convenience you would look into this and advise us what steps to take in the matter.

Thanking you for any trouble,

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
 Secretary and Librarian

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Exhibit No. 3

March 20, 1926

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

Dear Mr. Settle:

Enclosed find copy of the Sixth Clause of the Will of Caroline Cooper, which will give you the information you want.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) GROVER G. SALES  
 Department Counsel.

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WILL OF CAROLINE COOPER

Will Book 42, p. 76

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SIXTH CLAUSE: I bequeath unto the Fidelity & Columbia Trust Company, of Louisville, Ky., my share of the pictures which formerly belonged to my brother, J. T. Cooper, and the sum of Three Thousand (\$3,000.00) Dollars to be held by said Company in trust under the terms and conditions following:

(a) If at any time within five years after my death the Art Association

of the City of Louisville shall, in the opinion of said Trustee, have become a responsible, substantial and satisfactory Association, then said Trustee shall deliver said pictures and said trust fund, together with any unused income therefrom, unto said Art Association as a memorial to my said property. The trust fund so delivered to said Art Association shall be held by it in trust and invested, and the income therefrom used in the care and keeping of said pictures.

(b) If said Association has not, in the opinion of said Trustee, become a reasonable, satisfactory and substantial Association within five years after my death, then said Trustee shall deliver said pictures to the Louisville Public Library, or such other Louisville institution as, in the opinion of said Trustee, would be a suitable institution to receive and care for said pictures in such manner as they may be either permanently or from time to time viewed by the general public.

(c) Pending the disposition of said pictures as herein before directed, said Trustee shall invest said trust fund and use the net income therefrom, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the purpose of properly caring for and keeping said pictures. If said pictures are not delivered as herein before provided, to the Louisville Art Association, but instead are delivered to some other institution which, in the opinion of said Trustee, would not need special income for the purpose of caring for said pictures, then at the time of the delivery of the pictures to such institution the principal of said trust fund (or such portion thereof as may not have been used), together with all unused income then on hand, shall revert to and become a part of my general estate and pass under the residuary clause of this will. However, should said pictures be delivered by said Trustee to some institution which in the opinion of my Trustee would require an endowment for the purpose of providing an income for the care and keeping of said pictures, then said trust fund shall be delivered to such institution to be held by it in trust and invested and the income therefrom used in the care and keeping of said pictures.

Exhibit No. 4

April 1st, 1926

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

Dear Sir:

I have been present at meetings in the Assembly Room of the Main Library on several occasions, when the need for a piano was very strongly felt.

I will cite two occasions, one when an orchestra was asked to play and all instruments including drums, etc. were sent in and when the time came for the meeting, it was discovered that there was not a piano in the building. Another time, during K.F.A. meeting, a quartet and soloist had to sing without an instrument.

Every library in the city, that I know of, has a piano donated by Civic organizations of its respective community.

It seems a calamity for our Main Building, an outstanding Public In-

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stitution, (of which we are justly proud) not to possess one.

I would like to know whether a gift of one presented by civic organizations and public spirited citizens would be acceptable?

If so, please answer at once for, if it is possible, I would like to see one there for the K.E.A. meeting the 21st of April.

Respectfully,

Mrs. John M. Waggener.

#2754 Graham Avenue  
Louisville, Ky.  
Phone: E 1703

Exhibit No. 5

April 3, 1926

Mrs. John M. Waggener  
2754 Graham Avenue  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mrs. Waggener:

In reply to your letter April 1, 1926.

The Louisville Free Public Library would be glad to receive as a gift a piano for the Main building if donated by our friends and well-wishers. Each of the Branch Libraries has a piano, which was given by friends in the communities they represent, but no one has ever offered to present a piano to the Main Library and we have been too poor for lack of funds to purchase one. I am quite sure that the Library Board will appreciate such a gift.

Thanking you for your offer and your interest in the library, I am

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Librarian

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Exhibit No. 6

Mr. Geo. Settle

Dear Mr. Settle,

The Junior department of Crescent Hill Baptist Sunday School would be so glad to have use of Basement of Library each Sunday morning while we are building our new church. We are planning to build a new \$250,000. church, which will be a credit to Crescent Hill.

I hope we are not asking too much. Thanking you for past favors for Crescent Hill Library means so much to the community.

Respect.

(Signed) MRS. V. O. GILBERT  
309 Crescent Court  
City

Exhibit No. 7

March 1, 1926

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

My dear Mr. Settle:

I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the staff of the Louisville Free Public Library, to take effect April 1.

My associations with the Library have been very pleasant and I thank you and the Board for the courtesies extended to me.

Yours very truly

(Signed) EMOGENE GREENAWAY

Exhibit No. 8

## MOST POPULAR BOOKS IN MARCH 1926

## Fiction

Morley	Thunder on the left
Ostense	Wild geese
Parrish	Perennial bachelor
Gibbs	Soundings
Norris	Pig iron
Cather	Professor's house
Grey	Vanishing American
Porter	Keeper of the bees
Barrington	Glorious Apollo
Norris	Little ships

## Non-fiction

Barton	Man nobody knows
Dorsey	Why we behave like human beings
Grey	Twenty-five years
Anthony	Catherine the Great
Lewisohn	Israel
Sandburg	Abraham Lincoln
Bowers	Jefferson and Hamilton
Lowell	John Keats
Keyserling	Travel diary of a philosopher
Wiggam	Fruit of the family tree

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Exhibit No. 9

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
 Comparative Statement of Circulation  
 March 1925 - 1926

	1925	1926	Increase	Decrease
Main-adult	21 254	22 188	934	
juvenile	8 537	9 062	525	
Highland	7 696	8 115	419	
Portland	7 205	8 151	946	
Crescent Hill	9 085	10 008	923	
Parkland	8 209	8 399	190	
Shelby Park	7 761	8 981	1 220	
Jefferson	7 190	7 466	276	
Shawnee	5 763	7 057	1 294	
Western Colored	5 013	5 215	202	
Eastern Colored	3 445	3 475	30	
Boys High School	1 606	1 590		16
Girls High School	6 981	7 783	802	
Normal School	2 258	4 568	2 310	
Atherton High School	3 992	7 367	3 375	
Manual High School	- ---	1 040	1 040	
Colored High School	824	1 340	516	
Stations-white	8 413	8 369		44
colored	818	845	27	
Classroom collections-white	10 151	11 037	886	
colored	4 839	5 014	175	
	<u>131 040</u>	<u>147 070</u>	<u>16 030</u>	<u>60</u>

Net increase . . . 16 030 volumes

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
 Librarian

April 13, 1926

Exhibit No. 10

Standing Committee for year 1926-27.

## Executive Committee

Arthur A. Will, Chairman  
 Thomas A. Barker                      Edward L. Powell  
 Philip Ossmann

## Building Committee

Philip Ossmann, Chairman  
 Edgar Y. Mullins                      Mrs. Carl Abbott  
 R. C. Ballard Thruston

## Finance Committee

Thomas A. Barker, Chairman  
 Adolph O. Pfingst                      Charles R. Hemphill  
 Joseph Rauch

## Library Committee

Edward L. Powell, Chairman  
 George W. Schuhmann                      Henry B. Heyburn  
 Mrs. Hoyt Gamble

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday May 12, 1926 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Powell, Dr. Rauch, Mr. Thruston, Mayor Will and the Librarian, with President Will in the chair. Dr. Mullins, Dr. Pfingst and Monsignor Schukmann were reported out of the city.

The minutes of the regular April 14 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Librarian's letter of April 28, 1926 advising the Mayor of a vacancy on the Board of Trustees occasioned by the death of Mrs. Abbott. See exhibit No. 1.  
Dr. Hemphill, of the Board, offered the following resolution:

At the last meeting of the Board the serious illness of Mrs. Carl Abbott was reported, and now it is our sad duty to record her passing away on the twentieth of April.

Mrs. Abbott was the second woman to be appointed on this Board, had served four years, and had been honored by the Mayor with a reappointment for another term.

The Library Board desires to pay tribute to Mrs. Abbott's fidelity to every duty, her prompt and regular attendance on its meetings, her intelligent interest, her sound judgment, her readiness to bear her full share of labor and responsibility, and her gentle and modest spirit, by all of which she won the high esteem and regard of every member of this Board.

We extend to Mr. Abbott and all her kindred our deepest sympathy, assuring them that we have a part in their sorrow in this grievous bereavement.

Upon motion this is to be spread on the minutes and a copy mailed to Mr. Carl Abbott.

- b. Letters of April 15 and April 17, 1926 from Mr. J. H. Brewer, 609 Republic Building, Mr. Brewer is asking for the use of the assembly room for Forum meetings. Upon motion it was thought advisable that this be further investigated before permission is given for the regular use of the room. Mayor Will, Mr. Barker, and the Librarian were appointed a committee to make the investigation. The Librarian was instructed to write Mr. Brewer and get from him a more definite outline of just what they expect to do. See exhibits Nos. 2 and 3.
- c. Librarian's letter of April 19, 1926 to the Board of Park Commissioners. The Librarian explained that Mrs. W. T. McConnell had requested that we remove a tree which is jointly on the property line between



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- her lot and the library. This letter was requesting the Park Board to do the work if it were approved by the Library Board. Upon motion Dr. Powell and the Librarian were appointed a committee to investigate this. See exhibit No. 4.
- d. Librarian's letter of April 19, 1926 to Mrs. V. O. Gilbert, advising her of the action of the Board in declining to permit the use of library buildings for religious purposes. See exhibit No. 5.
- e. Librarian's letter of April 19, 1926 to the Board of Public Works asking the Board to reconstruct the library driveway, and their reply of April 21. See exhibits Nos. 6 and 7.  
The Board of Public Works seems inclined to make this road for us but suggested that we close the library driveway entirely and widen York street. The Library Board seemed to be of unanimous opinion that this would not help us and upon motion Mayor Will, Mr. Barker and the Librarian were named a committee to ask the Board of Public Works to reconstruct the driveway for us.
- f. The Librarian called attention to a communication from the National Academy of Design, under date of April 22, 1926, offering a picture "Cliffs on the Upper Colorado River," by Thomas Moran, N. A. under certain conditions. See record book 5, page 186. See exhibit No. 8. Upon motion the picture is to be accepted.
- g. The Librarian's report to the Fiscal Court of Jefferson County of the work done in Jefferson County was presented for record in the minutes. See exhibit No. 9.
- h. Librarian's letter of May 7, 1926 to Prof. J. S. Cotter, making report of money he had collected for the story-telling contest and turned over to the Colored Department. See exhibit No. 10. The Librarian reported that these contests were held at the Eastern and Western Colored Branch Libraries and the winners met before the Kentucky Negro Educational Association.
- i. Letter of May 3, 1926, signed Mrs. J. N. Atwell, Secretary Highland Park Civic League, asking permission for a committee to appear before the Library Board. See exhibit No. 11.  
The Librarian reported that this committee, Mrs. E. M. Jones, 142 Kentworth Avenue, and Mrs. R. H. Toll, 417 Seneca Street, were in the ante-room and wished to speak to the Board. They were admitted and Mrs. Toll urged that a branch library be established in the Highland Park neighborhood, but since funds were not available for this that at least a sub-branch be established. Upon motion the Librarian was instructed to do what he could to take care of this community.
- j. The Librarian announced that Mr. Henry Almstedt, 119 S. Fifth Street, phone City 541, and Mr. Otis Pickrell, representing the Bowling Green Quarries Company, had offered to replace the disfigured section of one of our front columns without cost. Upon motion the Librarian is to authorize this work.
- k. List of most popular books for April was submitted. See exhibit No. 12.
- l. The Librarian announced the following gift for record in the minutes

and a vote of thanks, which upon motion was accepted.

Mrs. Embry S. Cowan, 1293 Cherokee Road, 48 volumes.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

May 12, 1926

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report is submitted herewith showing cash balance on May 1, 1926 of \$11,846.31. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$14,846.31.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for April upon motion was approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 129,039 volumes, an increase of 12,997 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 74,132 volumes were circulated to adults and 54,907 to children, fifty per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 835 borrowers registered during the month, making a total registration of 59,815. The report of the Reference Department shows 24,662 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 7,767. The attendance in the Civics Room was 2,275 and the visitors to the Museum numbered 2,052. There were 1,590 volumes added and 3,388 volumes cataloged, making a total of 278,183 volumes available for public use.

The Librarian reported that the American Library Association will meet in Atlantic City October 4 - 9, 1926, and that several members of the staff desire to attend if they are permitted to defer part of their vacation to that time, to give them the opportunity to go on to New York. Upon motion it was left to the Librarian to work out a plan, not to interfere with work with the public or library training class, to arrange for an many to go as desire, if possible.

Mr. Ossmann, Chairman of the Building Committee, had called a meeting of his committee for 4:30 p.m. May 12, to consider a location for the Watterson Memorial collection. Dr. Mullins was out of the city so only two members of the committee

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reported. The Librarian reported that there were more than 6,000 volumes in the collection and that there was not room enough in the east end of the Reference Room for an alcove to accommodate them without taking out of the room many necessary reference books and making arrangements in the aisles for current magazines, which are used constantly in reference work. The committee visited the Reference room and Art room on the second floor with Mr. Ward, the architect, and thought it advisable to place the collection in the Art room and ante-room to Art room. This would make available more reference books in the reference room, with these added books to be handled by the civics room, which is a part of the Reference Department.

Upon motion of Mr. Ossmann, seconded by Mr. Thruston, it was unanimously approved by the Library Board, subject to the approval of Mrs. Watterson.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$14,496.68 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$8,450.85, voucher No. 54, checks Nos. 3684-3778 inclusive, signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid May 1.

This leaves a balance of \$6,045.83, voucher No. 55, checks Nos. 3779-3882 inclusive to be paid.

American Library Association	\$ 5.50 .
American Multigraph Sales Co.	8.26 .
Arctic Ice Co.	22.32 .
Samuel L. Avery and Co.	47.98 .
Robin M. Baggerly	132.39 .
Baker & Taylor Co.	139.50 .
Barret, Robinson & Dickey	45.10 .
J. W. E. Bayly and Co.	44.29 .
Clara D. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	124.15 .
F. Blake	10.00 .
Bloom and Herrmann	44.32 .
Booker and Kinmaird	21.01 .
P. E. Bowker Co.	8.96 .
Braksier Bros.	4.50 .
Breckel Press	15.00 .
John T. Breitbeil	8.00 .
Breuer and Co.	45.50 .
Brown & Martin	2.25 .
Burkley and Tierney	46.08 .
Caron Directory Co.	153.60 .
Carpenter & Dudley	4.79 .
Carter Dry Goods Co.	18.55 .

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Central Glass Co.	4.94
Childers Electric Co.	25.57
Arthur H. Clark Co.	18.50
E. A. Clegg & Co.	18.77
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	129.38
Danforth and Co.	43.92
H. V. Davis and Co.	48.69
Dugan Humphreys and Co.	45.28
R. O. Dusch	9.40
Elbert Coal Co.	109.79
Everygirl's Magazine	1.00
Falls City Buggy Top Co.	2.30
J. W. Fischer	1.30
Gardiner & Co.	10.00
Gaunt and Harris	43.75
Gaylord Brothers	37.25
M. L. Greenbaum	1.00
Gulf Refining Co.	19.24
Farper & Bros.	2.91
Robert L. Hawes & Co.	12.35
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	3.25
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Hummel and Meyer	47.72
Hunter and Hellman	42.50
H. R. Huntting Co.	25.76
Jefferson, Noyes & Embry	11.92
Jenne-Hardy Co.	9.25
R. Jeunesse & Sons	271.75
E. A. Jonas	21.10
Kardex Band Sales Corporation	18.25
Kaufman-Straus Co.	86.13
Kee Lox Mfg. Co.	4.50
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	420.30
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind	9.30
Klein Brothers	7.75
Kochler Stamp & Stencil Co.	3.60
Chas. A. Lang Agency	6.00
Henry H. Lang	48.44
Liberty Fire Insurance Co.	48.05
N. Liebschutz	2.50
Lodenkemper Brothers	5.30
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	163.01
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
John P. Morton and Co.	42.75
John J. McHenry	86.66
Macmillan Co.	11.94
Keffert Equipment Co.	9.10
Edw. J. Miller and Co.	5.95
Miller Paper Co.	13.72
Mississippi Historical Society	5.00
Noellmann and Hennessy	4.95
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.	5.35
Pirtle, Weaver and Menefee	13.67
Waldo S. Pratt, Treasurer	2.00

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Reisert Insurance Agency	48.40 .
Reutlinger and Co.	46.13 .
C. V. Ritter	179.25 .
Royal Typewriter Co.	2.25 .
Ruud Mfg. Co.	5.50 .
Scott Stamp and Coin Co.	1.54 .
Porter Sargent	5.40 .
Schwarz, Clifford and Scott	6.69 .
Charles Scribner's Sons	4.00 .
George T. Settle, Librarian, Petty Cash	74.01 .
Short's Tire Service	7.42 .
J. B. Slaughter and Co.	43.76 .
Standard Oil Co.	19.24 .
Standard Printing Co.	214.45 .
G. F. Stechert and Co.	4.00 .
W. K. Stewart Co.	1 213.70 .
Stith and Harris	7.88 .
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	19.24 .
Stone and Gnau	45.61 .
F. S. Tachau	8.54 .
Timberlake and Trueheart	48.40 .
Tippett and Walker	48.45 .
J. E. Todd and Co.	5.98 .
Viglioni and Langan	48.36 .
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	391.99 .
Yale University Press	18.00 .
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	6 045.83 .
Pd) George T. Settle, Librarian, Pay Roll	8 450.85 .
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Total . . . . .	\$14 496.68 .

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

June 9-1926

William A. Hill President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

See following pages for Exhibits

Exhibit No. 1

April 28, 1926

Mayor Arthur A. Will  
City Hall  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mayor Will:

I regret to notify you officially of a vacancy on the Library Board caused by the death of Mrs. Carl Abbott, on April 20.

Mrs. Abbott had just been reappointed for a term of four years beginning April 1, and someone should be appointed to succeed her to fill the unexpired term.

If you wish to see me in regard to the matter, I will be pleased to call at your office at any time.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SWITTE  
Librarian

Exhibit No. 2

April 16, 1926

Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

A group of citizens desiring to establish an open forum similar to one running in Boston wishes the privilege of meeting in the Assembly Room at the Public Library from time to time, perhaps once a month or maybe twice a month, the object being non-religious and non-political, but to assist in every possible way to build a better citizenship and civic improvement in general, such as planting trees, etc.

A group will meet tonight, April 16, at the Brown Hotel to name committees to carry forward this work. Among those who will be present are Mrs. Helen Bruce, Mrs. Leila Leidinger, Miss Emilie Yunker, Mr. E. J. Kaiser, President of the Labor Temple, Mr. N. J. Rochester, Rev. Lucas, President of the Ministerial Association, Mr. J. H. Brewer, President of the Blue Moon Social Club, and others.

We should be pleased to have your answer at an early date in order that we may begin these meetings.

Yours very truly

(Signed) J. H. BREWER  
609 Republic Bldg.

Exhibit No. 3

April 17, 1926

Geo. T. Settle,  
 Librarian,  
 Louisville Free Public Library, City

My dear Mr. Settle:-

We had quite an interesting meeting of the Forum last night at the Brown Hotel, and they decided it would be very splendid to meet at the Public Library hereafter, but do not want another meeting until sometime in May, so I am writing this letter to let you know that they considered the date of Apr. 23 too early to hold the next meeting. I will have to get in touch with you regarding a meeting at a later date.

Thanking you in advance.

Yours sincerely,

BLUE MOON SOCIAL CLUB  
 CO-OPERATIVE ASS'N.

(Signed) J. H. Brewer,  
 Mgr.

Exhibit No. 4

April 19, 1926

Mr. John G. Heyburn, President  
 Mr. Emil Anderson  
 Mr. J. McFerran Barr  
 Mr. Berry V. Stoll  
 Mr. Henry Thiemann  
 Board of Park Commissioners  
 City Hall  
 Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

Mrs. W. T. McConnell, 2739 Virginia Avenue, whose home is next door to the Parkland Branch Library, makes complaint of a tree that is jointly on her property and the Library property, and asks that it be removed.

I wish you would advise me if we have this authority to remove the tree as requested by Mrs. McConnell, and if it is decided to remove it, if the Board of Park Commissioners will undertake it for us.

The Library Board will appreciate anything you may do for us.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
 Librarian

GTS's.

Exhibit No. 5

April 19, 1926

Mrs. V. O. Gilbert  
309 Crescent Court  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mrs. Gilbert:

Your letter of April 14, 1926 asking the use of the basement of the Crescent Hill Branch Library each Sunday morning for the Junior Department of the Sunday school, Crescent Hill Baptist Church, was read at the last regular meeting of the Library Board. They looked favorably upon the proposition but regretted very much that they were not able to grant the request by reason of a by-law which prevents such gatherings in our library buildings. The by-law reads as follows:

"The assembly, art 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."

Expressing the personal regret of each member of the Board as well as my own, I am

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. F. COTTLE

Secretary and Librarian

GTS/S

Exhibit No. 6

April 19, 1926

Mr. Edward J. Miller, President  
Mr. Thomas E. Crutcher  
Mr. William E. Harrison  
Board of Public Works  
City Hall  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

We are having so many complaints about the condition of the driveway on the Library grounds from Third to Fourth Streets, that it is necessary for us to make repairs or build new road. We are without funds to do either. The cost to repair this would be so great that it is thought best that the road be rebuilt, and at the same time be made five or six feet wider as motorists are using the lawn to pass. This driveway is used more than York Street, saving wear and tear of that street.

The Library Board at its last regular meeting, upon motion took action to request the Board of Public Works to place a new drive for us. It is imperative

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that something be done, and the Board trusts that you may see your way clear to count it as part of your work.

Any immediate action will be appreciated.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Librarian

GTS/B

Exhibit No. 7

April 21st, 1926

Mr. Geo. T. Settle,  
7 Louisville Free Public Library,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of April 19th, this Board directs me to request you to come in and see them some afternoon between one and three to talk over the matter of rebuilding the roadway through the library grounds.

The Board does not meet on Saturday and Friday of this week they will be engaged.

Yours very truly

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

(Signed) Forrest Moss  
Secretary

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Exhibit No. 8

April 22, 1926

To the  
Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

The Council of the National Academy of Design takes pleasure in informing you that at its meeting held on April 16, 1926, the following Resolution was passed: RESOLVED: That the painting entitled "Cliffs on the Upper Colorado River" by Thomas Moran, M. A., purchased with the H. W. Ranger Fund, be assigned to the Public Library of Louisville, Ky. upon acceptance by that institution.

If it be the pleasure of your institution to accept the assignment of the said painting, under the conditions of the Will of the late H. W. Ranger (an extract herewith enclosed) we would respectfully ask that the three enclosed copies of an Agreement be properly executed, signed and attested, one of which you will retain and the other two return to us. We will send one of these executed Agreements to the Smithsonian Institution at Washington and keep the other for our own records. In event that your institution has no official Seal please draw a circle and write the word "Seal" within it, and underneath the statement "This institution has no official Seal," signed by the Secretary.

Yours early decision will be appreciated by

P.S. A photograph of this painting will be mailed within a few days

Very truly yours  
(Signed) CHARLES C. CURRAN, Secretary

Exhibit No. 9

April 21, 1926

Judge Henry L. Fox	)	
Mr. J. C. Kirchdorfer	)	Fiscal Court of
Mr. S. Mazyek O'Brien	)	Jefferson County
Mr. William F. Clarke, Jr.	)	

Gentlemen:

The following is the ninth annual report of Public Library work in Jefferson County outside the city of Louisville conducted by the Louisville Free Public Library under contract with the Fiscal Court of Jefferson County.

The contract made in 1916-17 called for the free use of the Main library and all branches in the city by residents of Jefferson County, and the establishment of not less than ten stations in the county.

The report for last fiscal year shows that there are 170 centers in 92 buildings in Jefferson County for the circulation of books for home use. This includes 25 stations (20 white and 5 colored) and 145 classroom collections (132 white and 13 colored) in 67 school buildings (54 white and 13 colored). Public Library books are in every school building in Jefferson County. The work done in connection with the schools is far reaching in its benefit.

The circulation of books for home use from the 170 centers was 60,212 volumes (51,105 white and 9,107 colored). This includes 19,570 volumes read by adults and 40,642 by children. No separate record is kept of the number of books taken from the Main library and branches in the city by residents of Jefferson County. This would add several thousand volumes to the circulation of books.

There were 17,665 volumes used in stations and classroom collections in library work. These books were changed quarterly at stations and twice during the school year at schools.

We received \$5,000 from the county the first four years, \$10,000 the next four years, and \$12,500 last year. We feel sure that the Fiscal Court realizes the increase in work we were able to do was due to the increase in appropriation. We trust that you will see fit to appropriate \$12,500 for library purposes in the county this year, and if possible raise the appropriation to \$15,000. The appropriation is usually paid in June.

Mr. Thomas A. Barker, Monsignor Schuhmann and the Librarian are the committee on county library work. We will be pleased to meet with you if you desire, at your convenience.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SEITZLE  
Librarian

Exhibit No. 10

May 7, 1926

Prof. J. S. Cotter  
2303 Magazine St.  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Prof. Cotter:

Mr. Blue, as Treasurer of the Story-Telling Contest Fund, reports as

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having received through you as follows:

Balance on hand May 1, 1925		\$ 3.65
Received from J. S. Cotter, by contributions 1926, as follows:		
Calvary Baptist Church	2.00	
S. S. Fifth St. Baptist Church	2.00	
Lampton St. Baptist Church	2.00	
S. S. Green St. Baptist Church	1.20	
Quinn Chapel A. M. E. Church	5.00	
Emanuel Baptist Church	1.55	
Jones Temple M. E. Church	1.15	
Ferguson Memorial	1.25	
Grace Presbyterian Church	3.00	
West Chestnut St. Baptist Church	1.19	
Centennial Baptist Church	1.75	
Bates Memorial Baptist Church	2.10	
Central Christian Church	2.10	
Third Christian Church	.85	
Broadway Temple	1.90	
Parkland Business League	2.00	31.04
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		34.89
Prizes April 19-20, 1926, two branches (\$11.00 each)		22.00
Balance May 1, 1926		\$ 12.89

Please accept our sincere thanks for what you have accomplished in this matter and also convey our thanks to the donors as you may see them.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Librarian

GTS/S

Exhibit No. 11

May 3, 1926

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

Dear Sir:-

The Library Committee of the Highland Park Civic League would like to meet with your Committee this month.

Please advise if you can arrange this meeting for us and date the meeting will be held.

Yours very truly

Highland Park Civic League,

(Signed) MRS. J. N. ATWELL  
Secretary

(Address - 410 Erie St.)

Exhibit No. 12

## MOST POPULAR BOOKS IN APRIL 1926

## Fiction

Ostenso	Wild geese
Erskine	Private life of Helen of Troy
Morley	Thunder on the left
Parrish	Perennial bachelor
Porter	Keeper of the bees
Norris	Pig iron
Grey	Vanishing American
Hutchinson	One increasing purpose
Gibbs	Soundings
Cather	Professor's house

## Non-fiction

Barton	Man nobody knows
Dorsey	Why we behave like human beings
Anthony	Catherine the Great
Grey	Twenty-five years
Lewisohn	Israel
Cushing	Life of Sir William Osler
O'Neil	Great God Brown
Keyserling	Travel diary of a philosopher
Klausner	Jesus of Nazareth
Wiggam	Fruit of the family tree

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees Wednesday, June 9, 1926 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Dr. Rauch, Mayor Will and the Librarian, with President Will in the chair. Dr. Mullins, Mr. Ossmann and Mr. Thruston were reported out of the city and Mr. Heyburn and Monsig. Schuhmann unable to attend.

The minutes of the regular May 12 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter of May 24, 1926 from Mr. J. H. Brewer, concerning open Forum meetings, outlining what he expects to do at Forum meetings and naming Mrs. Leidinger, Mrs. Bruce, Mrs. Ottenheimer, Mrs. Henning, Mrs. Pryor, Mrs. Webb and others as interested in the plan. This was discussed and upon motion the Librarian is instructed to write those named in the communication for their endorsement of the request to hold public Forum meetings in the library. See exhibit No. 1.
- b. Letter of June 8, 1926 from Mr. Lewis C. Humphrey, asking that bound volumes of the Courier-Journal, Times, Post, and Herald of June 1922 be sent to Mr. Desha Breckinridge at Catlettsburg, Kentucky, for use in court. Upon motion this request was granted. See exhibit No. 2.
- c. The Librarian reported that he had called for volunteers to furnish automobiles for the trip to the Kentucky Library Association meeting at Lexington, May 13 and 14, and that one of the machines had met with an accident on the way to Lexington, entailing an expense of \$58.50 for repairs. Upon motion this bill for repairs is to be paid by the library, but this action is not to establish a precedent.
- d. List of most popular books for May was submitted. See exhibit No. 3
- e. Dr. Powell read from a communication he received regarding salaries paid Heads of Departments in the library, and suggested that they were now receiving the minimum pay, \$160.00 and they should be receiving the maximum pay, \$200.00. This was discussed very freely by Dr. Powell, Mr. Barker and others, and upon motion the question of increase in salaries is to be considered by the Librarian and the Finance Committee when the budget for next year is adopted.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

June 9, 1926

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report is submitted herewith showing cash balance

June 1, 1926 of \$9,399.30. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$12,399.30. Since this report was received we have word from the Treasurer that we have received \$3,771.09 from city taxes.

The Jefferson County Fiscal Court has agreed to appropriate \$12,500.00 for library privileges in Jefferson County this year and this amount will be received some time this month.

We are submitting with this report voucher number 58, to the Louisville Trust Company, for interest on mortgage, \$7,425.00, due June 15. A motion is in order to approve payment.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed and voucher for interest on mortgage authorized to be paid June 15.

The Librarian's report for May upon motion was approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 107,320 volumes, an increase of 1,567 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 65,686 volumes were circulated to adults and 41,634 to children, forty-eight per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 561 borrowers registered during the month, making a total of 59,826 borrowers registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 22,114 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 1,767. The attendance in the Civics Room was 2,215 and the visitors to the Museum numbered 2,007. There were 313 volumes added to the library in May and 793 volumes cataloged, making the total number of volumes available for public use 276,496.

The Librarian's recommendations, approved by the Library Committee, upon motion were approved by the Board as follows:

1. Appointment of Marguerite Terrell as Branch Librarian, assigned to Shelby Park Branch Library. Miss Terrell has been connected with the library since 1916 serving as an assistant in the various departments and branches and has been Acting Branch Librarian at Shelby Park Branch since September 1924, in the absence of

Miss Loraine Norris, who was transferred to the Boys High School Branch, paid by Board of Education.

2. Since July 4 falls on Sunday and will be observed as a national holiday Monday, July 5, the Main library and Western Colored branch will be closed Sunday, July 4 and the Main library and all branches closed Monday, July 5.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$17,304.98 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$8,410.03, voucher No. 56, checks Nos. 3883-3977 inclusive, signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid June 1. This also includes voucher No. 58 to the Louisville Trust Company, for interest on mortgage, \$7,425.00, due June 15. This leaves a balance of \$1,469.95, voucher No. 57, checks Nos. 3978-4027 inclusive to be paid.

William Abbatt	\$	2.65
J.L. Allen		3.70
Arctic Ice Co.		26.45
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.		50.65
Henry Bishop		1.80
Brakmeier Bros.		1.75
John T. Breitbeil		8.00
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.		129.38
Custom House Guide		5.00
Dodd, Mead and Co.		52.20
R. O. Dusch		12.50
Elbert Coal Co.		15.41
J. W. Fischer		2.10
Gardiner and Co.		10.00
Gulf Refining Co.		19.26
T. J. Hoke		3.00
Hubbuck Bros. and Wellendorff		4.25
Jenne-Hardy Co.		1.75
E. A. Jonas		21.10
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.		208.90
Long's Towel Supply		9.00
Louisville Chemical Co.		25.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.		135.12
Louisville Grocery Co.		6.75
Louisville Towel Supply Co.		8.20
Anna Blanche McGill		1.00
Meffert Equipment Co.		2.25
Miller Paper Co.		14.50
Milliken Battery Service Co.		1.00
Mitchell Bros.		5.10
John P. Morton and Co.		5.50
Otis Elevator Co.		14.00
Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.		4.50
Schwarz, Clifford and Scott		5.29
W. R. Seestadt		1.75
George T. Settle, Librarian, Petty Cash		48.89

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Short's Tire Service	50.58
J. E. Sikking	19.00
Slade-Hipp and Meloy	9.11
T. Grant Slaughter	47.65
Southeastern Paper Co.	13.20
Standard Oil Co.	19.26
Standard Printing Co.	182.20
Stith and Harris	42.50
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	19.28
Tehan and Head	2.75
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	176.40
Prince Wells Co.	8.22
James T. White and Co.	9.00
Helen M. Winslow	3.10
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Pd )Geo. T. Settle, Librarian, Pay Roll	8 410.03
Louisville Trust Company, Interest on mortgage	7,425.00
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Total . . . . .	\$ 17 304.98

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

July 14/26

 President

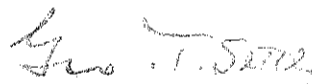
 Secretary

Exhibit No. 1

May 24, 1926

Hon. Geo. T. Settle,  
Librarian,  
4th & York, City.

My dear Mr. Settle:-

In response to your letter of the 21st would advise that the purpose of the open-forum is to take up and discuss non-politically and non-religiously, any questions of interest to our community life, such as obedience to law, civic betterment, to honor womanhood and uphold religious life, create a spirit in the mind of people for reforestration, beautifying our city, and help along with everything that will improve our economic existence.

We believe that if Chicago had had the open-forum where the people could come together, tell what they know and how they feel that, that



great City striving for commercial supremacy would not today be in the throes of a crime wave which is making it impossible for even those who are charged with the execution of law to dare do so except at the expense of their own lives.

We believe that if the Church and municipal authorities in Louisville would come together and provide an open-forum center, where the people could come together, such as they have in Boston, tell what they know and how they feel, that the result would be a benefit to the school, Church, and Municipality in general, and that such conditions would not exist as the Butcher Workers strike of today and many other things that disturbs the peace and happiness of our people.

At a recent meeting of a forum at the Brown Hotel, Miss Emilie Yunker, made a very interesting talk on Bird Life. J. R. Weyler, President of the Carpenters and Joiners spoke on the conditions of Mexico, Robert J. Kaiser, President of the Labor Temple spoke on the importance of an open-forum. Thornton Wilcox, of the Boy Scouts, Rev. Edgar Lucas, President of the Ministerial Ass'n. and Miss Adams of the Vocational School, and others, made interesting talks.

The following people have expressed themselves as being very much interested in establishing an open-forum in Louisville, Mrs. Leila C. Leidinger, Mrs. Helm Bruce, Mrs. H. E. Ottenheimer, Mrs. S. C. Hennings, Mrs. Robt. Pryor, Mrs. Geo. Webb and others.

Mrs. Leidinger said in private conversation that while in England she saw a gathering of people and on investigation found that it was a forum meeting. That the English authorities solicit their people to come together that they may tell what they know, and what they are thinking about. In other words there is no suppression of speech in England that it is safe-guarding the country through the people coming together that all may know what they are thinking about.

Inclosed you will find a marked copy of the Louisville American, giving a flash of our idea about reforestring. There are ten and one-half million acres of waste land in Kentucky, which is washing away. It appears to us that due to the fact that every morning when we Kentuckians arise, that our State is poorer than it was when we retired, that it would be well for us to come together and non-politically discuss these questions to arouse the people to the fact that to make the State richer every morning when we get up than it was when we retired, millions of trees must be planted.

Trust that this will give you a faint idea of what we are trying to do.

Yours respectfully,

BLUE MOON CLUB

(Signed) J. H. BREWER

Mgr.

JHB/CM

Exhibit No. 2

June 8, 1926

Mr. George Settle  
Louisville Public Library  
City

Dear Mr. Settle:-

As I advised you over the telephone yesterday, I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. Desha Breckinridge of the Lexington Herald, stating that the Circuit Court at Catletsburg will require files of the Louisville Courier-Journal, Louisville Times, Louisville Post and Louisville Herald for the month of June 1922. These files will be used in the suit of Judge Halbert against the Lexington Herald fixed for trial Monday, June 14th, at Catletsburg.

The bound files of these newspapers at the Public Library are the only ones obtainable in the city. As Mr. Thomas A. Barker of your Board will advise you, these files must be produced on a summons from the Court. It would avoid a considerable inconvenience, however, if the Board, at its meeting tomorrow, would authorize you to send the bound volumes in question, to Mr. Breckinridge, care General Delivery, Catletsburg, so that they may reach him by next Monday. I will personally guarantee any expense in connection with sending them, and will guarantee that they will be returned to you as soon as the trial is completed. Please let me know at once the decision of the Board in the matter, as the files will have to be produced in Court at Catletsburg Monday under any circumstances. I will appreciate it very much if you would arrange for the mailing of the files in the way indicated, without any delay.

Yours very truly

(Signed) LEWIS C. HUMPHREY

Exhibit No. 3

## MOST POPULAR BOOKS FOR MAY 1926

## Fiction

Ostenso	Wild geese
Parrish	Perennial bachelor
Morley	Thunder on the left
Porter	Keeper of the bees
Bailey	Blue window
Furman	Glass window
Norris	Pig iron
Wrey	Beau Geste
Grey	Vanishing American
Erskine	Private life of Helen of Troy

## Non-fiction

Barton	Man nobody knows
Dorsey	Why we behave like human beings
Work	Auction bridge (1926)
Lowell	John Keats
Lewisohn	Israel
Keyserling	Travel diary of a philosopher
Sandburg	Abraham Lincoln
Grey	Twenty-five years
Anthony	Catherine the Great
Cushing	Sir William Osler

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Called meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday June 16, 1926 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

The following call was sent:

June 14, 1926

Board of Trustees  
Louisville Free Public Library  
Louisville, Ky.

To the Board:

The Executive Committee calls a special meeting of the Library Board for Wednesday, June 16, 1926 at 5 p.m. in the Librarian's office to consider a request for the use of the Shawnee Branch Library grounds for a Chautauqua meeting.

Mr. J. C. Morris, Chairman of the Chautauqua meeting for the Shawnee section, says the committee in making arrangements finds they are unable to find a vacant lot convenient to pitch their tent and asks for use of the rear grounds of the Shawnee Branch Library for this purpose. He says the church will allow use of the adjoining grounds and that they will put a fence across the rear of the library grounds and have entrance from the alley and not through the library grounds.

The Chautauqua committee has the same membership as the committee that gave the library grounds and money for the Shawnee Branch Library building. The proceeds of the Chautauqua will be for the benefit of the new library building.

Please telephone whether or not we may expect you to attend the meeting Wednesday.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

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Mr. Barker and Mrs. Gamble were the only members present. Dr. Hemphill, Dr. Pfingst, and Mr. Thruston were reported out of the city, Dr. Powell, Dr. Rauch, and Mr. Ossmann were unable to attend, and no word was received from Mr. Heyburn, Monsig. Schuhmann, Dr. Mullins and Mayor Will. Mr. Ossmann and Dr. Powell, in their telephone message, said they were in favor of granting permission and were sorry they could not be present.

The following resolution of Mr. Barker was discussed by Mr. Barker

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and Mrs. Gamble and the Librarian was instructed to permit the use of the Shawnee Branch Library grounds for Chautauqua purposes.

In view of the fact that the property now occupied by Shawnee Branch Library was bought and paid for by residents of that neighborhood and the further fact that the net proceeds derived from the Chautauqua are to be used in the improvement of the property, the Chautauqua being educational in nature, the use of property for such purpose is approved.

A motion is in order approving the action of the two members of the Board.

Upon motion this was approved.

MINUTES APPROVED:

July 14/26

Arthur H. ... President

Geo. T. Sutt Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees Wednesday, July 14, 1926, in the Librarian's office, 5 p. m.

Present: Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mrs. Mansfield, Dr. Pfingst, Mr. Thruston, Mayor Will and the Librarian, with President Will in the chair. Mr. Heyburn, Dr. Mullins, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Powell, Dr. Rauch and Monsig. Schuhmann were reported out of the city.

Minutes of the regular June 9 meeting, and called meeting June 16 were read and upon motion approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Mayor Will's letter of June 18, 1926, announcing the appointment of Mrs. W. J. Mansfield on the Library Board to succeed Mrs. Carl Abbott, deceased. The Secretary announced that Mrs. Mansfield's oath of affirmation signed by Judge William H. Field had been received and filed, and that her term will expire April 1930. See exhibit No. 1
- b. The Librarian recommended that a new department be organized to be known as the Library School Department, to carry with it the salary of head of department.  
The Librarian stated that under the present arrangement, heads of departments give about 170 hours in lectures, 24 hours in examinations, and something like 100 hours in marking examination papers, etc., a total of 275 to 300 hours out of their regular department work, conducting the class. By assigning someone measuring up to the requirements of the American Library Association for a recognized training class will relieve heads of departments of considerable part of their time now put in this work, and will be the first step towards organizing for a regional school asking support from the Carnegie Corporation. The A. L. A. requirements are that the full time of one assistant who has had library experience and not less than one year's library school training, be given to the work. Upon motion this was approved. See exhibit No. 2.
- c. List of most popular books for June was submitted for record in the minutes. See exhibit No. 3.
- d. Comparative statement of circulation showing an increase of 6,977 volumes, but a decrease of 2,118, making a net increase of 4,859 was submitted for record in the minutes. See exhibit No. 4.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

July 14, 1926

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report for June showing cash balance on July 1,

1926 of \$11,905.98, is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$14,905.98.

The Jefferson County appropriation, \$12,500.00, has been received by the Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted

(SIGNED) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for June upon motion was approved and ordered filed. It shows a circulation of 74,655 volumes, an increase of 4,859 as compared to the same month last year. Of this 47,571 volumes were circulated to adults and 27,084 to children, 57 per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 709 borrowers registered, making a total of 59,956 borrowers registered.. The report of the Reference department shows 5,002 more important questions asked and topics looked up, Main 1,879, branches 3,123, an increase of 2,051. There were 15 reading lists compiled, 89 books and magazines lent for home use, and 1,003 pictures ✓ circulated. The attendance in the Civics room was 1,123. There were 142 news-  
papers read for items 842 clippings from newspapers filed, 43 of which were from local newspapers  
concerning the Library. There were 140 books news-  
papers used and 196 pamphlets and clippings classified in the Civics Room. There  
were 1,425 visitors to the Museum. There were 270 volumes added to the Library making a total of 276,766 volumes available for public use.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$11,587.28 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay roll \$8,664.38, voucher No. 59, checks Nos. 4028-4124 inclusive, signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee, and paid July 1. This leaves a balance of \$2,922.90, voucher No. 60, checks Nos. 4125-4192 inclusive to be paid.

American Concrete Institute	\$	8.00
American Library Association		8.56
American Multigraph Sales Co.		1.00
Arctic Ice Co.		28.37
Baker and Taylor Co.		3.11
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Department		64.90
Bonar-Summers Hardware Co.		2.70
Bruer and Co.		4.25
Carter Dry Goods Co.		3.90

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Childers Electric Co.	14.25
Committee on Reference and Counsel of the Foreign Missions Conference of North America	1.25
C. M. Cruger	48.00
Cumberland Telephone & Telegraph Co.	130.34
Danforth and Co.	22.50
Democrat Printing Co.	20.34
Vince DeVoto	58.50
Diem and Wing Paper Co.	16.80
R. O. Dusch	10.85
Electric Blue Print and Supply Co.	4.50
George G. Fetter Co.	12.75
J. W. Fischer	2.60
Gaylord Bros.	46.55
Gulf Refining Co.	19.28
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	14.55
Jenne-Hardy Co.	7.75
R. Jeunesse and Sons	60.05
E. A. Jonas	21.25
Kardex Rand Sales Corporation	55.40
Kaufman-Straus Co.	15.30
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	384.70
Kentucky Tent and Awning Co.	8.00
Herman C. Korfhage	2.50
Lampton, Crane and Ramey Co.	11.27
Library of Congress	100.00
W. Liebschutz	2.70
Lodenkemper Bros.	5.20
Longmans, Green and Co.	7.47
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	123.74
Louisville Paper Co.	8.10
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
AnnaBlanche McGill	1.00
Macmillan Co.	7.88
Meffert Equipment Co.	14.50
Miller Paper Co.	4.96
Mitchell Bros.	5.20
John P. Morton and Co.	166.75
National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution	3.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Patterson's American Educational Directory	4.80
Royal Typewriter Co.	2.25
Rand Mfg. Co.	27.40
George T. Settle, Librarian, Petty Cash	36.21
Short's Tire Service	3.75
J. E. Sikking	13.80
Southeastern Paper Co.	15.00
Standard Oil Co.	19.28
Standard Printing Co.	356.40
W. K. Stewart Co.	201.96
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	19.28
E. F. Swindler	33.00
United Business Service	50.00
A. C. Wagner Co.	7.80

Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	105.33
Prince Wells Co.	48.20
Western Union Telegraph Co.	4.50
H. W. Wilson Co.	337.67
Yale University Press	40.50
	<u>2,922.90</u>
Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Librarian, Pay Roll	8,664.38
Total	\$11,587.28

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Sept 8/26

Arthur A. Will President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

Exhibit No. 1

June 18, 1926.

Mr. Geo. T. Settle, Librarian  
Louisville Free Public Library  
4th and York Sts., City.

Dear Mr. Settle:

I have this day appointed Mrs. W. J. Mansfield to succeed Mrs. Carl Abbott, deceased, as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library.

I have written Mrs. Mansfield notifying her of her appointment and told her you would notify her as to meetings of the Board.

Very truly,

(Signed) ARTHUR A. WILL

Mayor



Exhibit No. 2.

June 8, 1926

Board of Trustees  
 Louisville Free Public Library  
 Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

At the Board meeting on Wednesday, June 9, 1926, I will recommend the creation of a new department to be known as the Library School Department, to carry with it the salary of a head of department.

The Carnegie Corporation has given funds to the American Library Association to establish and maintain library schools. The first requirement for a recognized training class is that at least one person who has completed not less than one year at an accredited library school shall give full time to the work. This will be our first step toward meeting the requirements to be considered for a regional school to be established in Louisville.

At the Board meeting on April 14, the Board approved the recommendation that the full time of an assistant be allowed for the training class but this did not carry with it the salary of a head of department.

I trust that you will consider this carefully and be present at the Board meeting Wednesday, June 9, at five o'clock.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
 Librarian

Exhibit No. 3.

## MOST POPULAR BOOKS FOR JUNE 1926

## Fiction

Ostenso	Wild geese
Bailey	Blue window
Norris	Pig iron
Thompson	Hounds of spring
Ertz	Afternoon
Parrish	Perennial bachelor
Lewis	Man trap
Gibbs	Soundings
Grey	Vanishing American
Norris	Little ships

## Non-fiction

Barton	Man nobody knows
Dorsey	Why we behave like human beings
Bowers	Jefferson and Hamilton
Keyserling	Travel diary of a philosopher
Grey of Fallodm	Twenty-five years
Thomason	Fix bayonets
Klausner	Jesus of Nazareth
Work	Auction bridge for 1926
DeKruif	Microbe hunters
Lewisohn	Israel

Exhibit No. 4  
Comparative Statement of Circulation  
June 1925 - 1926

	1925	1926	Increase	Decrease
Main-adult	15 941	16 682	741	
juvenile	4 583	5 255	667	
Highland	5 460	5 433	23	
Portland	5 253	5 503	251	
Crescent Hill	5 837	6 850	1 013	
Parkland	5 686	6 183	497	
Shelby Park	5 978	5 901		77
Jefferson	4 804	4 485		319
Shawnee	4 067	4 920	853	
Western Colored	2 100	2 310	210	
Eastern Colored	2 138	2 402	264	
Boys High School	152	395	243	
Girls High School	242	1 429	1 187	
Normal School	167	632	465	
Atherton High School	154	557	403	
Manual High School	---	159	159	
Stations-white	6 773	5 051		1 722
colored	456	457	1	
	<u>69 796</u>	<u>74 655</u>	<u>6 977</u>	<u>2 118</u>
			<u>2 118</u>	
			4 859	volumes

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Librarian

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

August 11, 1926

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library was not held on the above date because of lack of quorum. The following letter was sent to the Executive Committee:

August 17, 1926

Mayor Arthur A. Will  
 Dr. E. L. Powell  
 Mr. Thomas A. Barker  
 Mr. Philip Ossmann

Executive Committee, Board of Trustees  
 Louisville Free Public Library

Gentlemen:

We were unable to have the regular meeting Board of Trustees Louisville Free Public Library for August 11, on account of the lack of quorum. Eight members of the Board were out of the city: Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hopphill, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Rabbi Rauch, Monsig. Schulmann and Mr. Thurston.

Since the fiscal year ends August 31 and it is not likely we will have a quorum for a called meeting before September 1, and the expert accountant will take hold of the books on August 23, it is necessary that these bills be approved and paid. The bills to be paid amount to \$7,532.08, including insurance and all other bills to date.

After these bills have been paid we will have a balance of \$8,402.46. This includes \$4,000. which must be held for the Wattersen alcove. This leaves a net balance of \$4,402.46 for maintenance. This balance was to take care of a new driveway and new truck. Thinking we would be short of funds, we have not bought the truck, and the repairs on driveway have been held up awaiting decision of the Library Board. A Dodge truck will cost \$977.50. Our Ford truck is too light for the work and is worn out, and I should like approval to include the new truck in this year's bills. If this meets with your approval, we will purchase the truck and hold the balance to be applied to repairs on the road next year.

If you agree to the two propositions, please signify by signing below.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SEATTLE  
 Secretary and Librarian

APPROVED:

Signed) ARTHUR A. WILL  
 Signed) PHIL. OSSMANN  
 Signed) THOS. A. BARKER


This approval included bills which were paid as follows:

American Book Company	\$	20.06
American Library Association		4.76
American Medical Association		15.00

D. Appleton and Co.	22.51
Arctic Ice Co.	29.95
The Art Shop	7.50
E. M. Paggery	316.23
Bailey-Stuart-Wolff Agency	46.80
Baker and Taylor Co.	2.04
Wm. P. Bannan	15.42
Baptist Book Concern	241.12
Barbee and Castleman	22.90
J. W. E. Bayly and Co.	47.25
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	17.65
C. F. Bierbaum System	10.00
Bonar-Summers Hardware Co.	5.50
Brakmeier Bros.	6.65
John T. Breitbeil	8.00
Canada Ink Co.	2.50
Carpenter and Dudley	30.31
Carter Dry Goods Co.	3.50
Central Glass Co.	5.92
Childers Electric Co.	166.99
F. E. Compton and Co.	500.00
Compton's Pictured Newspaper	16.90
Cumberland Telephone and Telegraph Co.	122.38
Danforth and Co.	63.00
Lon E. DeRuntz	285.94
E. O. Dusch	23.25
F. W. Faxon Co.	12.95
F. W. Fischer	2.60
Gardiner and Co.	20.00
Gaunt and Harris	24.78
Gaylord Bros.	216.01
Gibson-Timer and Co.	150.00
The Gilding Shop	3.90
Gulf Refining Co.	19.28
Robert L. Hawes and Co.	99.00
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	28.50
E. J. Hoke	3.00
Hummel and Meyer	133.75
Jenne-Hardy Co.	17.00
R. Jeunesse and Sons	17.50
E. A. Jones	19.25
Kardex Band Sales Corporation	109.03
Kaufman-Strauss Co.	171.96
Kentucky and Louisville Mutual Insurance Co.	13.60
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	527.90
Kentucky Workshop for Adult Blind	17.25
Kochler Stamp and Stencil Co.	4.50
Chas. A. Lang Agency	82.50
Henry H. Lang and Co.	22.65
Library of Congress	100.00
Liberty Fire Insurance Co.	63.80
J. B. Lippincott Co.	9.73
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Chemical Co.	26.00
Louisville Gas and Electric Co.	109.74
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Louisville Trust Co.	96.66

John J. McHenry and Co.	94.50
The Macmillan Co.	134.38
Macpherson and Co.	30.10
Mann Insurance Agency	45.00
Meffert Equipment Co.	14.15
Edw. J. Miller and Co.	33.00
Miller Paper Co.	13.26
Milliken Battery Co.	4.00
Mississippi Valley Historical Association	5.00
Moellmann & Hennessey	65.00
John P. Norton and Co.	209.10
Carl A. Nuetzel Agency	100.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
L. C. Page and Co.	69.60
Peter, Butler and Weaver	73.75
Allen M. Reager and Co.	81.25
Reisert Insurance Agency	36.00
Resorts & Playgrounds of America	9.50
Reutlinger and Co.	31.50
Robinson, Wilson and Long	40.50
Royal Typewriter Co.	143.55
Porter Sargent	4.50
Schwarz, Clifford and Scott	4.55
George T. Settle, Librarian - Petty Cash	50.48
A. W. Shaw Co.	9.00
Short's Tire Service	6.01
J. E. Sinking	28.20
E. Grant Slaughter	60.23
Standard Printing Co.	305.10
N. K. Stewart Co.	572.43
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	19.28
Stone and Grau	92.50
Sweeney and Co.	72.50
F. S. Tachau and Son	72.50
H. C. Tafel Co.	30.00
Tehan and Head	1.35
J. M. Todd and Co.	32.90
Viglioni and Langan	32.90
Weber Office Equipment Co.	17.00
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Company	91.05
Prince Wells Co.	15.08
West Publishing Co.	5.00
Albert Whitman and Co.	125.44
Wilderness Road Book Shop	250.11
Richard R. Williams	48.00
H. W. Wilson Co.	19.68
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	7,532.08
Pd) George T. Settle, Librarian - Pay Roll	8,024.96
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	15,557.04
Hannah-Miles Company - Dodge truck	977.50
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Total . . . . .	\$ 16,534.54

MINUTES APPROVED:

Sept 8/26

President



Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday September 8, 1926 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mr. Barker, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Mrs. Mansfield, Dr. Powell, Mr. Thruston, Mayor Will and the Librarian, with President Will in the chair. Mrs. Gamble and Dr. Mullins were reported out of the city, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Rauch, and Monsig. Schuhmann otherwise engaged and no word from Mr. Ossmann.

The minutes of the regular July 14 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

The action of the Executive Committee of August 17, 1926 was read and upon motion approved.

The Secretary read communications as follows:

- a. Letter of August 25, 1926 from Mayor Will advising us of the appointment of Mr. William C. Cross, auditor to examine the accounts of the Louisville Free Public Library for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1926. See exhibit No. 1.
- b. Resignation of Frances Veirs. See exhibit No. 2.
- c. Petition of September 2, 1926, signed by Miss Cochran, Miss Bell and other members of the staff asking for an increase in pay of not less than ten per cent (10%). Upon motion this was referred to the Finance Committee. See statement, page 337.
- d. Lists of most popular books for July and August. See exhibits Nos. 3 and 4.
- e. New schedule of property values of the Louisville Free Public Library and schedule of insurance were submitted for record in the minutes. Upon motion these were approved. See exhibit No. 5.
- f. The expert accountant recommends that these changes in property values be made on the ledger. We have increased insurance on the Kaufman-Straus building, Main and all branches and are now carrying the proper amount of insurance as called for by the new property values, and the ledger should correspond with these figures. Upon motion this was approved. See Exhibit No. 5
- g. The expert accountant's recommendation that the Watterson bequest, \$4,000.00, in the hands of the Treasurer, be put to account to draw interest, upon motion was not approved.
- h. It was announced that Dr. E. L. Powell and the Librarian had been honored by appointment from Governor William J. Fields to represent the state at the meeting of the American Library Association at Atlantic City and Philadelphia, October 4 - 9, 1926.
- i. The Librarian's report for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1926, together with the auditor's report, were submitted for record in

the minutes. There was an increase in circulation of books, reference work and other activities. The report shows a circulation of 1,320,310 volumes, an increase of 42,767. Upon motion the Librarian's report is to be incorporated as an exhibit and the auditor's report filed. See exhibit No. 6.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

September 8, 1926

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report for the year showing cash balance on September 1, 1926, of \$4,424.96 is submitted herewith, together with the report of the auditor, Mr. William C. Cross, verifying this balance. The Treasurer's report shows that the library received from all sources \$189,124.15 as follows: City taxes \$130,279.49, Jefferson County \$12,500.00, fines, lost books, etc. \$6,344.66, rent \$36,000.00, Watterson estate \$4,000.00, and balance on hand \$1.30. The total expenditures were \$184,699.19, as follows: books \$30,267.87, expense \$10,277.57, pay roll \$101,493.30, light and power \$4,189.99, heat \$7,770.87, furniture and fixtures \$944.09, repairs and improvements \$2,790.32, insurance \$5,960.95, and interest on loans \$933.82, interest on mortgage \$15,010.41, and retiring principal \$5,000.00.

Of the \$4,424.96 balance, \$4,000.00 is from the Watterson estate to be held to build alcove. To this balance is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from public library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$7,424.96.

A motion is in order authorizing the Treasurer to borrow funds from time to time as necessary beginning September 1, 1926, to pay pay roll and current maintenance bills, not exceeding \$50,000.00.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER  
Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and the reports ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for August upon motion was approved and ordered filed.

The report shows a circulation of 70,223 volumes for August, in an increase of 3,835 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 48,187 volumes were circulated to adults and 22,036 to children, fifty-seven per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 657 borrowers registered in August, making a total of 60,039 persons registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 1,696 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. The attendance in the Civics Room was 1,985 and there were 1,800 visitors to the Museum. There

were 7,646 volumes added to the library and 1,935 volumes cataloged, making the total number of volumes available for public use 275,892.

The action of the Library Committee, which was approved, included appointments to the staff as of September 1, 1926, as follows:

Anna Eugenia Clark  
Alta Edith Cooper  
Alene Hannah Laub  
Esther Charlotte Lothman  
May Alice Manning  
Salome Standish Ogdon  
Mary Frances Rademaker

The action of the Library Committee further included the acceptance of the following young ladies to the training class, September 1, 1926:

Mary Kathryn Callahan  
Anna Young Crawford  
Libbie Fuchs  
Dorothy Louise Goodwin  
Mary Louis Jarboe  
Hilda Katherine Limper  
Audrey Carolyn Lucas  
Lydia Anne Lutz  
Esther Dickinson Stout  
Rachael Ballingal Williams

Upon motion the action of the Library Committee was approved.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$10,268.90 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$8,051.33, voucher No. 64, checks Nos. 4392-4486 inclusive, signed by Monsig. Schuhmann of the Library Committee, and paid September 1. This leaves a balance of \$2,217.57, voucher No. 65, checks Nos. 4487-4538 inclusive to be paid.

Acme Printing Company	\$ 16.50
American Library Association	1.65
American Prison Association	3.00
Arctic Ice Company	30.35
Baker and Taylor Co.	12.16
Baptist Book Concern	68.00
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	4.92
Brakmeier Bros.	28.00
John T. Breitbeil	8.00
Carter Dry Goods Co.	3.90
Central Glass Co.	7.12
Childers Electric Co.	53.81
F. A. Clegg and Co.	377.70
Lon E. DeRuntz	318.97



K. Dreher Hardware Co.	5.25
Geo. G. Fetter Co.	1.00
Fire Prevention Co.	6.00
J. W. Fischer	2.60
Gardiner and Co.	10.00
Gulf Refining Co.	18.50
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	3.25
T. J. Hoke	3.00
H. R. Huntting Co.	44.55
Jenne-Hardy Co.	4.85
R. Jeunesse and Sons	12.80
E. A. Jonas	8.75
Kaufman-Straus Co.	39.74
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	165.60
Lodenkemper Bros.	5.20
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	120.80
Louisville Paper Co.	30.99
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	10.95
Macmillan Co.	10.78
Meffert Equipment Co.	14.10
Military Publishing Co.	2.15
Miller Paper Co.	17.08
John P. Morton and Co.	3.85
National Audit Association	100.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Royal Typewriter Co.	6.25
Sanderson and Son	2.00
F. A. Schmitt	35.00
George T. Settle, Librarian, Petty Cash	34.37
Short's Tire Service	1.25
Southeastern Paper Co.	7.50
Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Co.	129.38
W. K. Stewart	234.24
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	121.32
Prince Wells Company	33.39
Albert Whitman Co.	12.25
H. W. Wilson Co.	1.75
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Pd) George T. Settle, Librarian - Pay Roll	8 051.33
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Total . . . . .	\$ 10,268.90

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Oct 28 - 1926

Arthur A. Hill President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

See following pages for exhibits

Exhibit No. 1

Aug. 25, 1926

Mr. Geo. T. Settle, Librarian  
City

My dear Mr. Settle:

I have appointed Mr. Wm. C. Cross, Auditor to examine the accounts of the Library for the year ending August 31, 1926.

Very truly,

(Signed) ARTHUR A. WILL  
Mayor

Exhibit No. 2

Vine Grove, Ky.  
July 20, 1926

Dear Mr. Settle:

I am waiting some longer than I expected to let you know about resuming library work in September but we prospective teachers all made second class certificates - mine entirely on account of one subject - and there was the belief for a time that we would have to take the examinations over. In that case, should I have resigned from the library and failed I would lose out on both positions. I don't think I shall ever like teaching or any work as well as library work, but, as I told you, I feel like I should be with Mother until she gets better, besides being with my old friends for one more year before they are entirely scattered.

Some time, if it is possible to return, I intend to take up library work there again, for it is my chosen career. I shall be in the library often during the coming year for I like it better than any place I know and I shall miss all the librarians.

I don't know how to formally resign and I just cannot make such a letter to the library business-like so I shall just say "good-bye" until I become a librarian again - if I may sometime.

Sincerely,  
(Signed) FRANCES VEIRS

Exhibit No. 3

## MOST POPULAR BOOKS FOR JULY 1926

## Fiction

Wren	Beau Geste
Ostenso	Wild geese
Ervine	Private life of Helen of Troy
Deeping	Sorrell and Son
Norris	Pig iron
Ertz	Afternoon
Warner	Olly Willowes
Gibbs	Unchanging quest
Parrish	Perennial bachelor
Bailey	Blue window

## Non-fiction

Dorsey	Why we behave like human beings
Barton	Man nobody knows
Work	Auction bridge
Hirst	Life and letters of Thomas Jefferson
Wiggin	New decalogue of science
Nathan	Autobiography of an attitude
Keyserling	Travel diary of a philosopher
Cushing	Sir William Osler
Sandburg	Abraham Lincoln
Clark	Great short stories of the world

Exhibit No. 4

## MOST POPULAR BOOKS IN AUGUST 1926

## Fiction

Ostenso	Wild geese
Norris	Pig iron
Bailey	Blue window
Thompson	Hounds of spring
Ertz	Afternoon
Wren	Beau Geste
Deeping	Sorrell and son
Ferber	Show boat
Knox	Diary of a young lady of fashion
Warner	Lolly Willowes

## Non-fiction

Dorsey	Why we behave like human beings
Barton	Man nobody knows
Sandburg	Abraham Lincoln
Bordeaux	Life of Eleanora Duse
Beebe	Arcturus adventure
Nichols	25 - being a young man's candid recollections of his elders and betters
Cushing	Life of Sir William Osler
Bowers	Hamilton and Jefferson
Work	Auction bridge
Forbes	Men who are making America

Exhibit No. 5APPRAISEMENT SCHEDULE  
USED AS BASIS FOR INSURANCE

	<u>Site</u>	<u>Building</u>	<u>Contents</u>	<u>Totals</u>
Fourth St. Bldg.,	\$ 616,781.00	\$ 568,750.00	\$	\$ 1,185,531.00
Main Library	166,760.00	406,250.00	296,123.00	869,133.00
Highland Branch	4,770.00	41,250.00	14,000.00	60,020.00
Portland Branch	3,600.00	32,500.00	13,500.00	49,600.00
Crescent Hill Branch	3,600.00	37,500.00	12,500.00	53,600.00
Parkland Branch	3,600.00	30,000.00	11,500.00	45,100.00
Shelby Park Branch	3,300.00	33,750.00	11,500.00	48,550.00
Jefferson Branch	1,650.00	30,000.00	9,500.00	41,150.00
Shawnee Branch	4,800.00	7,500.00	4,500.00	16,800.00
Western Colored Br.	3,816.00	43,750.00	19,750.00	67,316.00
Eastern Colored Br.	6,000.00	28,125.00	9,250.00	43,375.00
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 818,677.00</b>	<b>\$1,259,375.00</b>	<b>\$ 402,123.00</b>	<b>\$ 2,480,175.00</b>

INSURANCE CARRIED

		<u>Building</u>	<u>Contents</u>	
Fourth St. Bldg.,	Fire & Tornado	\$ 910,000.00	\$	910,000.00
Main Library	Fire only	325,000.00	200,000.00	525,000.00
Highland Branch	" "	33,000.00	14,000.00	47,000.00
Portland "	" "	26,000.00	13,500.00	39,500.00
Crescent Hill "	" "	30,000.00	12,500.00	42,500.00
Parkland Branch	" "	24,000.00	11,500.00	35,500.00
Shelby Park "	" "	27,000.00	11,500.00	38,500.00
Jefferson "	" "	24,000.00	9,500.00	33,500.00
Shawnee "	" "	6,000.00	4,500.00	10,500.00
Western Cold.	" "	35,000.00	19,750.00	54,750.00 56,000
Eastern "	" "	22,500.00	9,250.00	31,750.00 30,000
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>\$ 1,462,500.00</b>	<b>\$ 306,000.00</b>	<b>\$1,768,500.00</b>

MISCELLANEOUS POLICIES

Elevator Liability	\$ 10,000.00	
Public Liability - Autos	20,000.00	
Fire & Theft "	625.00	
Bond, Librarian	10,000.00	
Rent, Fourth St. Property	36,000.00	
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$ 76,625.00</b>

Exhibit No. 6

REPORT OF THE  
LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
FISCAL YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1926

The report of the Librarian of the Louisville Free Public Library for the fiscal year ending August 31, 1926 shows an increase in circulation of books,

reference work, and other activities.

There are 479 centers for the circulation of books in 218 buildings in Louisville and Jefferson County, an increase of 26 centers. The circulation of books was 1,320,310, an increase of 42,767. In addition there were 21,226 pictures circulated, an increase of 548. The report of circulation does not include the books used in reference work and read at the tables at the Main library and branches, and no attempt is made to keep a record of the number of times a volume is read when it is taken out of the building.

**BOOKS IN LIBRARY** There are 275,892 volumes in the Library, a net increase of 13,318. There were 21,761 volumes added by purchase, binding and gift, and 8,443 discarded. This includes 5,600 volumes given by the Watterson estate. The volumes circulated on an average of 4.78 times.

**BOOKS CATALOGED** There were 18,502 volumes cataloged. This makes a total of 400,013 books cataloged since the opening of the Library. Of the volumes cataloged during the year 1,938 were for the high school libraries.

**BORROWERS** There were 10,661 borrowers registered. This makes a total of 60,039 citizens of Louisville and Jefferson County registered users of the Library, a net increase of 359. This does not include many children using books in classroom collections and many readers using books in the stations. The registration shows that 56,947 borrowers are living within the city limits, or that 18.5 per cent of the population of Louisville (305,935) according to the special U. S. Census Bureau estimate, are availing themselves of public library privileges.

**USE OF BOOKS** The total circulation of books was 1,320,310 volumes, an increase of 42,767. This includes 790,353 books read by adults and 529,957 by children. The report shows that 1,255,299 volumes were used by readers within the city limits, an increase of 37,968. This was a circulation of 4.1 volumes per capita.

**REFERENCE WORK** There were 177,021 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 19,688. There were 343 bibliographies compiled. There was the usual use of the reference books by children of the public, parochial, and private schools and students of the University of Louisville, Conservatory of Music, Louisville School of Art, and the Baptist and Presbyterian Theological Seminaries, with a continued increased use by business men and manufacturers.

**CIVICS ROOM** The report shows that 1,271 newspapers were read for items, 12,202 clippings from newspapers on general subjects filed, 483 of which were from local newspapers concerning the library, 1,045 bound newspapers used in the room, and 11,254 numbers of entries in newspapers indexed.

**CHILDREN'S WORK** There was a circulation of 529,957 volumes through the Children's rooms, an increase of 17,871. This was 40.1 per cent of the total circulation. There were 4,323 more important questions asked and topics looked up in reference work in the Children's room. There were 11,997 pictures circulated. The records show a continued increase in the use of the material available by parents and teachers.

**STATIONS** There are 88 stations for the circulation of books in Louis-

ville and Jefferson County placed for the convenience of readers. There were 36,079 volumes used in the work. These books continued to do more than double work as the collections were changed at intervals during the year. The circulation of books was 96,995 volumes.

**BRANCH LIBRARIES** There are 15 branch libraries including 5 high schools and one normal school. This is an increase of one (Manual). The total circulation of books was 756,134 volumes, an increase of 49,831. This was 57.2 per cent of the total circulation. This includes 476,079 books read by adults and 280,055 by children. There are 91,459 volumes available for public use, an increase of 4,452. These volumes circulated on an average of 6.71 times during the year. There were 145,001 more important questions asked and topics looked up, an increase of 20,771.

**COLORED DEPARTMENT** There are 85 centers for the circulation of books for home use in 42 buildings in Louisville and Jefferson County for colored readers. This includes 2 Carnegie branch buildings, 14 stations, and 69 classroom collections in 26 school buildings. There are 25,613 volumes in the department, an increase of 743. The circulation of books was 127,566 volumes, an increase of 644. This was 9.6 per cent of the total circulation. This includes 53,857 books read by adults and 73,709 by children. There were 19,123 more important questions asked and topics looked up, an increase of 3,412.

**JEFFERSON COUNTY** There are 181 centers for the circulation of books for home use in 93 buildings in Jefferson County outside of the city of Louisville, an increase of 11 centers and one building. The circulation of books was 65,011, an increase of 4,799. This was 4.1 per cent of the total circulation. This includes 20,352 books read by adults and 44,659 by children. No separate record is kept of books borrowed from the Main library and branches by county residents.

**BLIND READERS** Books in embossed type for the blind were loaned free of all cost to readers in Kentucky and other states. There are 860 volumes in the collection. During the year 153 volumes were added. The circulation for home use was 499 volumes.

**MUSEUM** The Library museum continues to be a popular visiting place. The registration shows 21,562 visitors. Teachers with classes from city schools, and in addition several from New Albany and Shelbyville schools, visited the Museum during the year. There were some valuable additions by gift during the year.

**STAFF** The staff numbers 100 including 9 pages, and 11 paid by the Board of Education. In addition there are 16 janitors and chauffeurs making a total of 116. There were five resignations and 11 appointments. Edna J. Grauman was made head of the Reference Department to succeed Caroline Q. Fullerton, deceased. Leave of absence was granted Cora M. Beatty to attend library school, and to Jennie M. Flexner to prepare a text book on circulation work for the American Library Association. Miss Beatty has been given full time charge of the training class.

**MAINTENANCE** The cost of maintenance was \$164,688.78. The accounts were: books \$30,267.87, expense \$10,277.57, pay roll \$101,493.30, light and power \$4,189.99, heat \$7,770.87, furniture and fixtures \$944.09, repairs and improvements \$2,790.32, insurance \$5,960.95, and interest on loans \$993.82. To the maintenance account was added the interest on mortgage \$15,010.41, and retiring principal \$5,000.00, total \$20,010.41, making a total expenditure of \$184,699.19.

**FINANCES** The Treasurer's report shows that the Library received from all sources \$189,124.15 as follows: City taxes \$130,279.49, Jefferson County \$12,500.00,

finer, lost books, etc., \$6,344.66, rent \$36,000.00, Watterson estate \$4,000.00, and balance on hand \$1.30. The total expenditures were \$184,699.19, leaving a balance of \$4,424.96, \$4,000.00 of which is from the Watterson estate to be held to build alcove.

**TREASURER'S REPORT** The Treasurer's and accountant's reports confirming the figures of receipts and expenditures are submitted herewith and are made part of this report.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES** Mayor Arthur A. Will was elected President of the Board in December, 1925 to succeed Huston Quin.

The Mayor reappointed Mrs. Carl Abbott, Mrs. Hoyt Gamble and Dr. Adolph O. Pfingst for a term of four years. Mrs. Abbott died April 20, 1926. She was the second woman to be appointed on the Board, had served four years and had been honored by the Mayor with a reappointment for another term. Mrs. W.J. Mansfield was appointed to fill Mrs. Abbott's unexpired term.

The Librarian takes this opportunity to thank the Board of Trustees for their hearty support, and the staff for the splendid cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted

GEORGE T. SETTLE

Librarian

Note under communications:

- c. When the staff petition was discussed, Mr. Barker said the automatic raise of \$5.00 per month to all receiving \$95.00 or less was authorized. The Secretary asked if it would not be necessary to have a motion to this effect. The Chair ruled that they were automatic raises and a motion was not necessary. The Secretary explained that they would go into effect October 1.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

October 13, 1926.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Louisville Free Public Library was not held on the above date because of lack of quorum.

The following letter was sent to the Executive Committee:

October 14, 1926

Mayor Arthur A. Will, Chairman)	
Dr. E. L. Powell )	Executive Committee
Mr. Thomas A. Barker )	Board of Trustees
Mr. Philip Ossmann )	
Louisville Free Public Library	
Louisville, Ky.	

Gentlemen:

We were unable to have the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees yesterday, October 13, 1926, on account of lack of quorum. Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Dr. Mullins and Monsignor Schuhmann were reported out of the city and Mrs. Mansfield, Dr. Powell and Mr. Thruston unable to attend, with Dr. Rauch doubtful.

Since there is no likelihood of a called meeting before November 1, it is recommended that the bills for the month amounting to \$4,606.13 be paid. This is covered by voucher number 67, checks numbers 4646 to 4735 inclusive. If this is agreeable please sign below and return by bearer.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEORGE T. SETTLE  
Secretary and Librarian  
by J.H.S.

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APPROVED:

(Signed) E. L. POWELL  
(Signed) ARTHUR A WILL  
(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

This approval included bills which were paid as follows:

American Book Company	\$ 133.97
American Child Health Association	5.00
American Library Association	11.13
American Multigraph Sales Company	64.31
Americana Corporation	9.00
Arctic Ice Company	26.75
Art Shop	1.60
Robin M. Baggerly	7.53
Baker and Taylor Co.	65.01
Wm. P. Bannon	5.10



Baptist Book Concern	205.27
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	25.07
R. R. Bowker Co.	4.00
Brown and Martin	13.81
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.	4.45
Canadian Review Company	8.26
Mrs. John H. Cantrell	5.00
Carter Dry Goods Co.	16.29
Central Glass Co.	21.88
Childers Electric Co.	16.71
Arthur H. Clark Co.	6.00
Ida Clyde Clarke	2.00
Cox and Finnigan	25.00
C. M. Cruger	3.00
K. Dreher Hardware Co.	7.50
E. P. Dutton and Co.	22.81
R. O. Dusch	24.60
Eugene B. Dye	9.75
Educational Service Bureau	3.50
Elbert Coal Co.	15.73
Electric Blue Print and Supply Co.	4.50
Evansville Public Library	1.25
F. W. Faxon Co.	3.87
Geo. G. Fetter Co.	5.80
J. W. Fischer	2.60
Gardiner and Co.	10.00
Gaylord Brothers	16.20
Mrs. Harriet E. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Co.	18.50
Hammer Printing and Office Supply Co.	2.70
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	2.75
T. J. Hoke	3.00
R. Jeunesse and Sons	59.80
Jenne-Hardy Co.	24.50
E. A. Jonas	13.13
Kaufman-Straus Co.	143.10
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	319.50
Kardex Rand Sales Corporation	23.00
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind	9.30
Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.	2.12
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Bumper Co.	8.50
Louisville Chemical Co.	27.90
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	140.48
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
John P. Morton and Co.	26.05
McIndoo Publishing Co.	1.50
Macmillan Company	83.44
Meffert Equipment Co.	7.35
Miller Paper Co.	6.00
John A. Mueller	4.00
Office Equipment Catalogue	4.71
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
L. C. Page Co.	41.64
Robinson, Wilson and Long	47.00
Rogers Church Goods Co.	1.00

Rogers and Manson Co.	7.50
Royal Typewriter Co.	2.25
Ruud Mfg. Co.	151.90
W. K. Stewart Co.	1,324.48
Geo. T. Settle, Librarian - Petty Cash	53.94
Geo. T. Settle, Librarian - A.L.A. Expenses	196.15
A. W. Shaw Co.	2.70
J. E. Sikking	26.40
T. Grant Slaughter	16.89
Southeastern Paper Co.	14.50
Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Co.	129.38
Spectator Co.	50.00
Standard Oil Co.	9.26
Standard Printing Co.	244.80
Stoll Oil Refining Co.	18.50
Nannie Shanklin Terry	1.50
Tehan and Head	5.35
Weber Office Equipment Co.	34.00
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	170.13
Prince Wells Co.	5.58
Western Union Telegraph Co.	4.50
Frank J. Wilder	1.50
Wilderness Road Book Shop	257.97
H. W. Wilson Company	2.50
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	4 606.13
Pd) George T. Settle, Librarian - Pay Roll	9 209.32
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Total . . . .	\$ 13 815.45

MINUTES APPROVED:

OCT 28 - 1926

Arthur A. Hall President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Called meeting Board of Trustees Thursday October 28, 1926  
in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Mrs. Mansfield, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Powell, Dr. Rauch, Mr. Thruston, Mayor Will and the Librarian, with President Will in the chair. Dr. Pfingst had signified his intention to be present but telephoned before his office hours were ended that it was necessary for him to go home on account of illness. Monsignor Schuhmann was also reported too ill to come and Dr. Mullins was out of the city.

The minutes of the regular September 8, 1926 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

The action of the Executive Committee of October 13, 1926, authorizing payment of bills, upon motion was approved.

Mr. Barker reported that Mr. Brainard Platt, Vice-President of the Courier-Journal, had offered through Mr. Russell Briney, as a gift to the library, the flag carried by Captain Byrd on his trip to the North Pole, if it were acceptable. This flag is to be presented by Admiral Hugh Rodman, representing Mr. Platt and the Courier-Journal. Mr. Platt suggests that we have a public meeting to receive the flag on the day before Armistice Day, Wednesday November 10, 1926, in the Assembly Room, at 4 p.m. and requests that the Board name someone to receive the flag in the name of the Board. Upon motion Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston was chosen to represent the Library Board to receive the flag.

The accounts that had been approved by the Finance Committee and Librarian were presented to the Library Board by Mr. Thomas A. Barker, Chairman of the Finance Committee. The budget calls for \$200,688.09, with a request from the city of \$141,763.13.

Dr. Powell moved that the recommendation for the pay roll, allowing \$10. per month to each member of the staff, beginning January 1, 1927, first payment February 1, which was seconded by Mr. Thruston and upon motion approved. Dr. Powell in his resolution thanked the Finance Committee for its work.

The budget, upon motion of Dr. Rauch, seconded by Mr. Heyburn, calling for

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\$200,688.09, upon motion was approved. It was understood in the discussion that some of the accounts might have to be changed if we did not receive \$141,763.13 from the city. The budget adopted is as follows:

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
Budget Sept. 1, 1926 - Aug. 31, 1927

To the Board of Trustees:

Budget showing receipts and expenditures for the Free Public Library for the fiscal year Sept. 1, 1926 - Aug. 31, 1927 calling for \$141,763.13 from city taxes:

Source of Income	Necessary 1926-27	Receipts last year
City taxes	\$ 141,763.13	\$ 130,279.49
Jefferson County	12,500.00	12,500.00
Watterson Estate		4,000.00
Fines, lost books, etc.	6,000.00	6,343.36
Rent (K.S. building)	36,000.00	36,000.00
Balance (includes \$4,000. Watterson estate)	4,424.96	1.30
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 200,688.09</b>	<b>\$ 189,124.15</b>

Account	Necessary 1926-27	Spent last year
Expense	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 10,277.57
Heat	7,600.00	7,770.87
Light, Power	4,200.00	4,189.99
Books	28,358.00	30,267.87
Pay Roll	116,339.00	101,493.30
Repairs & Improvements (\$4,000. Watterson)	10,057.50	2,790.32
Furniture & Fixtures	500.00	944.09
Insurance	2,898.18	5,960.95
Interest on loans	1,000.00	993.82
<b>Total Maintenance</b>	<b>\$ 180,952.68</b>	<b>\$ 164,638.78</b>
Special		
Interest on mortgage	14,735.41	15,010.41
Retiring mortgage	5,000.00	5,000.00
	<u>19,735.41</u>	<u>20,010.41</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 200,688.09</b>	<b>\$ 184,699.19</b>

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Librarian

Approved:

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER  
Chairman Finance Committee

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Nov 10/26

*Arthur A. Mee* President  
*Geo. T. Settle* Secretary

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BASIS FOR SALARY SCHEDULE 1926 - 1927

Board meeting, October 28, 1926

Grade	Minimum	Maximum	Paid Sept-Dec. 1926	To be paid Jan-Aug. 1927
Librarian	\$ 400	\$ 417	\$ 400	\$ 410
Heads of Departments	150	200	150-160	160-170
Librarian's Secretary and bookkeeper	150	200	160	170
Branch Librarians	125	150	125	135
Senior assistants	110	125	100-115	110-125
Assistants	100	110	90-100	100-110
Junior assistants	75	95	65-85	75-95
Appointments from class (6 mos)	65	75	65-70	65-75
Substitutes	60	100	60-90	70-100
Class-substitute 6 mos.	55	60	55-60	60-65
Class-training 6 mos.	30	30	30	30
Pages	30	50	30-40	30-50
Sunday and holidays				
Assistants	\$3.50			
Heads of Depts. & Branch Librarians	5.00			
Pages	1.50			

SEE: Called meeting Finance Committee minutes,  
Thursday, October 28, 1926  
and budget attached, adopted by  
Finance Committee

in  
Important Papers for October 28, 1926

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees Wednesday, November 10, 1926,  
in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mrs. Mansfield, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Rauch, Monsig. Schuhmann, Mayor Will and the Librarian, with President Will in the chair. Dr. Mullins, Mr. Ossmann and Dr. Powell were reported out of the city and Mr. Heyburn and Mr. Thruston unable to attend.

The minutes of the called meeting October 28, 1926 were read and upon motion approved.

The Librarian reported that a section of stone had fallen from the cornice of the Main building and that he had instructed Mr. Ward, architect, to have it replaced in the proper manner. In the meanwhile he had written Mr. Henry Almstedt, 119 South Fifth Street, Louisville, agent for the Bowling Green Quarries Company, asking if his company would replace this stone since it was defective. He also suggested to Mr. Almstedt that it might be a good advertisement for his quarry to point the cornice and clean the building, which is very much needed. This Mr. Almstedt declined to do. Upon motion the Librarian was instructed to have the stone replaced and to get not less than three bids on having necessary pointing of the cornice and walls done, to be referred to the Building and Finance Committees. See exhibit No. 1.

Lists of most popular books for September and October were submitted for record in the minutes. See exhibits Nos. 2 and 3.

The Librarian reported that an accident had occurred on Wednesday night, September 29, 1926, at about 7:20 o'clock. Miss Mamie Lawler, 1725 Lytle Street, fell down the area steps, Fourth Street side. Letter of September 30, 1926 to Mr. Grover Sales was read. (See exhibit No. 4). The Librarian reported that Mr. Sales had said we were not legally liable for any damages but that the library, by action, might defer some of the necessary expenses entailed by the accident.

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Miss Lawler claims to have paid Dr. Iammers \$5.00 for taking her home, \$24.00 at the hospital (two weeks stay) and \$2.00 incidental expenses at the hospital. She says she has not paid Dr. Gaupin for his services and that she also lost three weeks pay at \$10.00 per week as maid at the Seelbach Hotel.

This was discussed but it was decided that we were not legally liable for any damages. It was suggested that the Librarian express the sympathy of the Board and refer them to the Welfare League, Franklin Building.

The Librarian was instructed to make a report to the Building Committee of necessary improvements to avoid any likelihood of other accidents.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

November 10, 1926

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's reports for September and October are submitted herewith. The report for October shows a balance on November 1, 1926 of \$2,132.35. To this is to be added \$3,000. rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$5,132.35.

The budget adopted at the called meeting of October 28 requesting the city for \$141,763.13 from city taxes, has been sent to Mr. Kunz, City Comptroller, and to the Chairmen of the Finance Committees of the Board of Aldermen and Councilmen.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's reports for September and October upon motion were approved and ordered filed. The September report shows a circulation of 88,572 volumes, an increase of 7,325 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 56,684 volumes were circulated to adults and 31,888 to children. The circulation is divided: fiction 43,883 volumes, non-fiction 44,689 and 9,325 magazines, forty-nine per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 942 borrowers registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 8,633 more

important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches. The attendance in the Civics Room was 2,227 and there were 1,856 visitors to the Museum. There were 1,550 volumes added and 3,460 volumes cataloged in September, making a total of 277,442 volumes available for public use.

The report for October shows a circulation of 130,592 volumes, an increase of 21,716 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 79,162 volumes were circulated to adults and 51,430 to children. This is divided: fiction 62,150 volumes, non-fiction 68,442 and 12,961 magazines, forty-seven per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 1,450 borrowers registered, making a total of 60,126 registered borrowers. The report of the Reference Department shows 20,715 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 7,452. The attendance in the Civics Room was 2,227 and there were 2,050 visitors to the Museum. There were 3,167 volumes added to the library in October and 3,073 volumes cataloged, making the number of volumes available for public use 280,609.

Under new business the question of closing the drive or widening it and widening York Street was discussed. The Librarian stated that it would be a serious mistake to close the library drive and <sup>to</sup> to widen York Street would not be any advantage to us, but that to widen our drive would be a considerable advantage. This was very freely discussed and it was thought that the question should be very carefully considered before any action is taken. Upon motion the matter was referred to the Building Committee.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$17,699.67 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll \$9,281.43, voucher No. 68, checks Nos. 4736-4842 inclusive, signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid November 1. This also includes voucher No. 70, to J. M. Hanson-Bennett Agency, for subscriptions for the year. This leaves a balance of \$6,076.14, voucher No. 69, checks Nos. 4843-4915 inclusive to be paid:

American Issue Publishing Co.	\$ 15.12
American Library Association	91.46
American Multigraph Sales Co.	1.00



Arctic Ice Co.	25.70
R. M. Baggerly	683.83
Baker and Taylor Company	110.52
Baldwin Law Publishing Co.	9.50
Baptist Book Concern	114.75
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	57.62
Bensinger Outfitting Co.	14.36
Bloom and Hermann	21.57
Childers Electric Company	53.25
F. A. Clegg and Company	25.20
Consolidated Realty Company	10.00
E. P. Dutton and Company	2.00
Elbert Coal Co.	53.52
Electric Blue Print and Supply Co.	4.50
Falls City Buggy Top Company	1.15
Geo. G. Fetter Company	20.75
Filson Club	5.00
J. W. Fischer	1.70
Gaylord Brothers	10.20
General Box Company	22.50
Mrs. Harriet E. Grant	8.00
Robert L. Hawes and Co.	28.13
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	6.60
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Jenne-Hardy Co.	1.75
R. Jeunesse and Sons	43.25
E. A. Jonas	18.45
Kaufman-Straus Company	740.85
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	394.70
Kardex Rand Sales Corporation	65.72
C. A. Knollenberg	6.25
Mary Taylor Logan	2.65
Longmans, Green and Co.	79.73
John Lodenkemper	5.00
Long's Towel Supply Co.	9.00
Lookout Publishing Company	5.16
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	157.64
Louisville Grocery Co.	6.75
Louisville League of Women Voters	18.00
Louisville Paper Co.	41.34
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
John J. McHenry and Co.	9.40
Macmillan Co.	123.17
Meffert Equipment Co.	10.30
Edward J. Miller and Co.	23.50
Miller Paper Co.	34.16
Mitchell Brothers	10.30
John P. Morton and Co.	13.30
National Education Association of the United States	5.00
National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution	6.00
Otis Elevator Company	18.00
Public Affairs Information Service	100.00
Rand McNally and Company	15.00
C. V. Ritter	3.00
Royal Typewriter Company	4.00
Rudd Mfg. Company	30.00

MINUTE BOOK

Sandy Valley Publishing Company	2.09
George T. Settle, Librarian - Petty Cash	65.93
Short's Tire Service	1.75
Southeastern paper Company	7.50
Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co.	130.44
Standard Oil Company	27.66
W. K. Stewart Company	1,268.11
Thomas Publishing Co.	11.00
G. Broes Van Dort Company	63.00
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	934.92
Prince Wells Company	6.62
Frank J. Wilder	21.00
Wilderness Road Book Shop	118.57
H. W. Wilson and Co.	7.05
	\$ 6 076.14
Pd) George T. Settle, Librarian Pay Roll	9 281.43
J. M. Hanson-Bennett - Subscriptions for year	2 342.10
	Total . . . . \$17 699.67

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Dec 8-1926

C. R. Humphreys President  
*pro tem.*

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

Exhibit No. 1

November 10, 1926

Mr. Henry Almstedt  
119 S. Fifth St.  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Almstedt:

We have had a section of stone to fall from the cornice of the Main building, Louisville Free Public Library.

We have called Mr. O.P. Ward's (architect) attention to this and are calling your attention to it thinking perhaps you should know it since the stone is from the Bowling Green Quarries Company.

This is to confirm telephone message of this morning.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
George T. Settle, Librarian

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Exhibit No. 2

## MOST POPULAR BOOKS IN SEPTEMBER 1926

## Fiction

Ferber	Show boat
Erskine	Private life of Helen of Troy
Ostense	Wild geese
Bailey	Blue window
Loos	Gentlemen prefer blondes
Deeping	Sorrell and son
Lewis	Mantrap
Galsworthy	Silver spoon
Thompson	Hounds of spring
Forbes	O genteel lady!

## Non-fiction

Dorsey	Why we behave like human beings
Barton	Man nobody knows
Durant	Story of philosophy
Barton	Book nobody knows
Beer	Mauve decade
Sandburg	Life of Abraham Lincoln
Bowers	Jefferson and Hamilton
Mims	Advancing south
Rogers	Magnificent idler
Nichols	25

Exhibit No. 3

## MOST POPULAR BOOKS IN OCTOBER 1926

## Fiction

Ferber	Show boat
Erskine	Private life of Helen of Troy
Ostense	Wild geese
Galsworthy	Silver spoon
Loos	Gentlemen prefer blondes
Deeping	Sorrell and son
Byrne	Hangman's house
Bailey	Blue window
Forbes	O genteel lady!
Thompson	Hounds of spring

## Non-fiction

Dorsey	Why we behave like human beings
Durant	Story of philosophy
Barton	Man nobody knows
Barton	Book nobody knows
Beer	Mauve decade
Mims	Advancing south
Lindsey	Revolt of modern youth
Ferguson	Practical auction bridge
Thomason	Fix bayonets
Maurois	Maps

Exhibit No. 4

September 30, 1926

Mr. Grover Sales, Department Counsel  
City Hall  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Sales:

I make the following statement of an accident on the library grounds, for your information:

Miss Mamie Lawler, 1527 Lytle Street, (about 47 years of age) one of our library patrons and employed as a maid at the Seelbach Hotel, fell down the steps to the area on the Fourth Street side leading to the Assembly room, Wednesday night, September 29, 1926, at about 7:30 o'clock. I have not seen Miss Lawler, but her sister, Miss Annie Lawler (same address) called to see me. She says she does not expect to make any trouble but that it is very hard on them, as she is a dressmaker and her sister is employed at the Seelbach, without any other means of support, and the doctor says she will be confined for a week or ten days.

A report is made to me by Miss Pauline Eads of the Library staff as follows: At about 7:30 o'clock Wednesday night, September 29, Mr. Lankswert (1220 W. Jefferson Street) came to the delivery desk and said a woman had fallen down the steps. He with Mose, the nightwatchman, brought her into the building. Miss Eads telephoned a physician and also to 426 E. Chestnut for her sister, who was employed at that hour at Mrs. Kate McDermott's. Dr. Lammers, 712 E. Chestnut Street (East 602) called and took her home in his machine. Her sister, Miss Annie Lawler, tells me this morning Dr. Gaupin, 1219 W. Market Street (Main 2031) was called by her and that they took her sister to St. Mary's and Elizabeth's Hospital this morning.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

George T. Settle, Librarian

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## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday December 8, 1926  
in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mr. Barker, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Rauch, Mr. Thruston and the Librarian. In the absence of Mayor Will, President, and Dr. Powell, Vice-President, upon motion Dr. Hemphill was elected chairman. Dr. Mullins was reported out of the city and Mayor Will and Monsig. Schuhmann unable to attend. Mrs. Gamble and Dr. Powell had signified their intention to be present but failed to report. Mrs. Mansfield had expected to come but telephoned at the last minute that she was not able to do so.

The minutes of the regular November 10 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

Letter of November 21, 1926 from Miss Mamie Lawler, together with Librarian's letter of November 19 to Mr. David Liggett, Director of Public Welfare Agencies, and Mr. Liggett's reply of November 20, advising that he had turned the Lawler matter over to the Family Service Organization, were presented for notice in the minutes.

Librarian's letter of November 19, 1926 to Board of Public Works calling attention to the fact that the city had been using the library driveway as a thoroughfare since Third Street was closed at Broadway, and the Board of Public Works reply of November 22, advising that they would make repairs were presented for notice in the minutes.

The Librarian reported that the Head of the Stations Department and he had visited Highland Park to select a location for a sub-branch. The station now occupies a small room in the bank building but the bank has moved and it was necessary for us to get out on or before December 15. The Librarian reported that they had found a room in a cottage at 4468 Park Boulevard, owned by Mrs. R. W. Reichert, whose home is next door, and occupied by Mrs. Hays. This is almost across the street from the

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bank building. Mrs. Reichert and Mrs. Hays have made an arrangement by which we will have the use of a front room and a small room back of the front room, together with rent, light, heat and janitor service, for \$25.00 a month. This will not add anything to the budget for the year. Upon motion of Mr. Barker, the renting of this property under these arrangements was approved.

The Librarian's recommendation to the Library Committee that the libraries be closed as usual on December 24 at 6 p.m. and remain closed all day Saturday, December 25 and Sunday, December 26, to open at regular hours Monday, December 27, was read. Since the Library Committee had not met upon motion of Dr. Rauch this was approved. Mr. Barker then moved that the libraries close Saturday, January 1, and remain closed Sunday, January 2, to open regular hours Monday, January 3, which upon motion was approved.

The Librarian's recommendation to pay December salaries on or before December 20, as has been customary, upon motion was approved.

The Librarian's recommendation that the cork carpet in the Open Shelf room and Reference room be patched where necessary and painted, upon motion was approved. He stated that the work would be done placing one coat on each room Friday night, December 24, at 6 p.m. and the second coat on Saturday night, December 25, and that this would be dry and ready for use Monday, December 27.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

December 8, 1926

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report for November showing cash balance on December 1, 1926 of \$10,729.37 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$13,729.37.

The Louisville Trust Company voucher No. 73 for interest on mortgage \$7,425.00 due December 15, is offered for approval for payment.

The Bills Payable account (demand loans) amounts to \$28,000.00 to date.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER  
Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion this was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for November upon motion was approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 140,694 volumes, an increase of 11,364 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 77,041 volumes were circulated to adults and 63,653 to children. The circulation is divided: fiction 69,954 volumes, non-fiction 70,740 and 14,067 magazines, forty-nine per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 1,137 borrowers registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 21,534 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 4,586. There were 56 reading lists compiled, 194 books and magazines lent for home use and 2,881 pictures circulated. The attendance in the Civics room was 2,344 and there were 2,405 visitors to the Museum. There were 997 volumes added in November and 2,805 volumes cataloged, making a total of 281,606 volumes available for public use.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$21,733.60 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$9,401.25, voucher No. 71, checks Nos, 4916-5022 inclusive, signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid December 1. This also includes voucher No. 73 to Louisville Trust Company, for interest on mortgage, \$7,425.00, due December 15. This leaves a balance of \$4,907.35, voucher No. 72, checks Nos. 5023-5118 inclusive to be paid:

AmericanBook Company	\$ 3.05
American Library Association	6.12
American Multigraph Sales Co.	5.91
Samuel L. Avery and Co.	25.00
Robin M. Baggerly	2.41
Baker and Taylor Company	159.66
Baptist Book Concern	41.65
Barret, Robinson and Dickey	11.90
J.W.E. Bayly and Co.	14.10
Mrs. G. A. Brandt, Treas.	18.00
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	35.18
Freuer and Company	19.13
Burkley and Tierney	13.50
Carpenter and Dudley	9.40
Carter Dry Goods Co.	3.64
Caufield and Shook	4.72
Central Glass Company	9.99
Childers Electric Co.	40.14
Consolidated Realty Co.	10.00

Oliver Ditson Company	12.60
K. Dreher Hardware Co.	18.50
Dugan Humphreys and Co.	25.50
R. O. Dusch	23.95
E. P. Dutton and Co.	64.78
Educational Service Bureau	3.66
Elbert Coal Company	470.49
Embry Box Company	4.50
Falls City Buggy Top Co.	10.50
F. W. Faxon Company	15.36
Geo. G. Fetter Co.	5.50
J. W. Fischer	1.30
Gaunt and Harris	34.00
Gaylord Brothers	5.10
Gilding Shop	33.25
Mrs. M. Gould	1.20
Mrs. Harriet E. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Co.	18.40
Hannah-Miles Company	11.75
H. Hesse	1.75
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Houghton, Mifflin Co.	5.00
Wright Howes	17.50
O. F. Hunziker	6.50
H. B. Huntting Co.	7.35
Jenne-Hardy Co.	5.00
H. A. Jonas	25.25
Kansas City Testing Laboratory	6.75
Kaufman-Straus Co.	93.33
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	259.60
Kentucky Tent and Awning Co.	8.00
Theodore W. Koch	3.00
Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.	11.64
C. J. Kratz	25.95
Kardex Rand Sales Corporation	112.32
Longmans, Green and Co.	17.43
Long's Towel Supply Co.	9.00
Louisville Gas and Electric Co.	190.08
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
John P. Morton and Co.	54.85
Macmillan Company	155.38
Library of Congress	100.00
John J. McHenry and Co.	44.20
Meffert Equipment Co.	6.35
Edward J. Miller and Co.	12.75
Miller Paper Company	26.25
Mitchell Brothers	1.90
Noellmann and Hennessy	12.75
National Committee for the Prevention of Blindness	2.00
National Municipal League	5.00
National Safety Council	5.00
Otis Elevator Company	14.00
Peaslee-Gaulbert Company	3.24
Robinson, Wilson and Long	9.00



Sandy Valley Publishing Co.	6.27
E. A. Schmitt	95.00
H. C. Searle Company	12.25
Geo. T. Settle, Librarian, Petty Cash	48.18
Short's Tire Service	1.25
J. E. Sikking	79.20
Southeastern Paper Co.	46.71
Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Co.	129.38
Standard Oil Co.	18.40
Standard Printing Co.	288.25
W. K. Stewart Co.	516.49
Tehan and Head	16.50
Timberlake and Trueheart	25.50
Tuttle Company	13.50
United Glue Factories	17.56
University of Chicago Press	3.72
G. Broes Van Dort Company	73.60
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	1,012.23
Prince Wells Company	6.60
Albert Whitman and Co.	5.60
Wilderness Road Book Shop	4.25
H. W. Wilson Co.	14.00
World Book Company	1.75
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Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Librarian, Pay Roll	9 401.25
Louisville Trust Company, Interest on mortgage	7,425.00
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Total . . . . .	\$ 21,733.60

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Jan 12/27

E. L. Powell President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees Wednesday January 12, 1927 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Mansfield, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Monsig. Schuhmann and the Librarian, with Vice-President Powell in the chair. Mr. Barker was reported ill, Mr. Thruston out of the city, and Mrs. Gamble, Mr. Heyburn, Dr. Mullins, Dr. Rauch, and Mayor Will unable to attend. Dr. Hemphill was ready to report if needed for a quorum, but since his presence would not make a quorum he was not called on.

Dr. Powell called for the minutes of the December 8, 1926 meeting, which were read and upon motion approved.

The Librarian's recommendation that a certificate, signed by the Head of the Training Class Department and the Librarian, be given to those who complete the training class course, which had been considered by Dr. Powell and Monsig. Schuhmann, of the Library Committee, upon motion was approved.

The reading of letters from the Family Service Organization, under date of December 15, 1926 regarding the Miss Lawler accident, and Mr. O. P. Ward, architect, under dates of December 8 and 10, 1926, regarding repairs on Main Library, upon motion was deferred to the next meeting.

The Treasurer's report, signed by Dr. Adolph O. Pfingst, was read as follows and upon motion recommendations were approved and voucher authorized paid, the report accepted and ordered filed:

January 12, 1927

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance on January 1, 1927 of \$196.12 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$3,196.12.

We have borrowed to date \$44,000 and under resolution of September 8, 1926

the Treasurer is authorized to borrow funds only to the amount of \$50,000. It will be necessary to borrow more money to pay pay roll and current expenses and the Finance Committee recommends that the Treasurer be authorized to borrow additional funds from time to time as necessary until city taxes are received. A motion is in order.

We are submitting with this report voucher No. 75 to Louisville Trust Company, \$5,000 to retire on mortgage and one month's interest, total \$5,022.91, due January 15, 1927.

The city tax rate has been fixed at \$2.05, the library to receive  $3\frac{1}{2}$  cents. This will net \$131,551.87. We asked for \$141,763.13. The Mayor and Mr. Kunz, City Comptroller, say it will give us, with back taxes, \$141,000.00.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) ADOLPH O. PFINGST

Member Finance Committee

The Librarian's report for December was submitted. The report shows a circulation of 113,198 volumes, an increase of 7,352 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 64,705 volumes were circulated to adults and 48,493 to children. The circulation is divided: fiction 58,169 volumes, non-fiction 55,029 and 11,350 magazines, fifty-one per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 797 borrowers registered, making a total of 60,111. The report of the Reference Department shows 16,691 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, a decrease of 860. There were 114 reading lists compiled, 231 books and magazines lent for home use and 1,680 pictures circulated. The attendance in the Civics Room was 2,365 and there were 1,565 visitors to the Museum. There were 1,881 volumes added in December and 2,743 volumes cataloged, making a total of 283,487 volumes available for public use.

The question of a quorum was considered but those present thought it best to transact the business as far as these minutes show and upon motion this was approved by those present, but with the proviso that the action of the members present be embodied in a letter to the Executive Committee, for their approval. The following letter was addressed to the Executive Committee, January 13, 1927:

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January 13, 1927

Mayor Arthur A. Will, Chairman	)	
Dr. E. L. Powell	)	Executive Committee
Mr. Thomas A. Barker	)	Board of Trustees
Mr. Philip Ossmann	)	

Gentlemen:

There were only five members of the Board of Trustees present at the regular meeting yesterday, January 12, 1927. Those present were: Mrs. Mansfield, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Monsig. Schuhmann, and the Librarian, with Dr. Powell in the chair. Mr. Barker was reported ill, Mrs. Gamble and Mr. Thruston out of the city, and Mr. Heyburn, Dr. Mullins, Dr. Rauch, and Mayor Will unable to attend. Dr. Hemphill had signified his willingness to come if needed for a quorum.

The minutes of the regular December 8, 1926 meeting were read and upon motion approved. The bills were audited by Dr. Powell and Monsig. Schuhmann and upon motion were approved for payment.

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance of \$196.12 was read. It was stated that the Treasurer was authorized to borrow funds not to exceed \$50,000 and that \$44,000 of this amount had already been used. Upon motion the Treasurer was authorized to borrow additional funds from time to time as necessary to pay pay roll and current expenses until city taxes are received. The payment of voucher No. 76, \$5,022.91, retiring principal on mortgage, \$5,000, and one month's interest, \$22.91, upon motion was approved and ordered paid.

The Pay Roll, \$9,432.85, voucher No. 74, which had been signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid December 20, 1926, upon motion was approved. The monthly bills, voucher No. 75, \$5,584.90, upon motion approved and ordered paid.

These actions were all taken on the recommendation of Dr. Powell and Monsig. Schuhmann, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee, to avoid calling a special meeting. If the actions of the five members are approved, please sign and return.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE  
Secretary and Librarian

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APPROVED:

(Signed) Arthur A. Will

(Signed) E. L. Powell

(Signed) Thos. A. Barker

Mr. Ossmann, who was present, said that he would sign the letter but for the reason that he would be out of town, hence it shows only three signatures.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$20,040.66 upon motion was approved by those present at the meeting, and met with the approval of the Executive

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Committee, as above. This includes Pay Roll, \$9,432.85, voucher No. 74, checks Nos. 5119-5226 inclusive, signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid December 20, 1926. This also includes voucher No. 76 to Louisville Trust Company, paying \$5,000 on mortgage principal and one month's interest, \$22.91, total \$5,022.91, due January 15. This leaves a balance of \$5,584.90, voucher No. 75, checks Nos. 5227-5330 inclusive to be paid:

American Book Company	\$ 9.36
American Issue Publishing Co.	7.70
American Library Association	5.85
Arctic Ice Company	38.52
Robin M. Baggerly	71.76
Baker and Taylor Company	50.97
Baptist Book Concern	56.10
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	54.15
Booker and Kinnaid	20.40
R. R. Bowker Company	9.25
Brakmeier Bros.	3.90
Mrs. G. A. Brandt, Treas.	18.00
Brown and Martin	34.00
Carter Dry Goods Co.	10.45
Childers Electric Company	19.20
City Club of Chicago	1.00
Arthur H. Clark Company	5.00
V. Comins	4.50
Consolidated Realty Company	10.00
James Cooper	1.75
Danforth and Company	21.25
H. V. Davis and Company	12.75
K. Dreher Hardware Co.	10.50
Geo. H. Doran Company	3.81
R. O. Dusch	11.25
E. P. Dutton and Company	16.70
Eugene B. Dye	3.65
Lon E. DeRuntz	35.44
Elbert Coal Company	162.70
Falls City Buggy Top Company	4.25
F. W. Faxon Company	5.83
Finger Paper Box Company	20.00
Funk & Wagnalls Company	15.68
Gaylord Brothers	166.25
Mrs. Harriet E. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Company	18.40
Hannah-Miles Company	1.35
Frank Hartman & Sons	179.00
Henry Heick Hardware Company	2.50
Herald-Post Company	52.00
T. J. Hoke	3.00

H. S. Hirshberg	9.00
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	7.35
Wright Howes	60.00
Joseph Hubbuch Sr. and Sons	87.33
H. R. Huntting Company	7.47
Jenne-Hardy Company	2.80
R. Jeunesse & Sons	163.50
E. A. Jonas	15.60
Kaufman-Straus Company	620.50
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	116.30
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind	7.15
Klein Brothers	4.50
Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.	1.48
Herman C. Korfhage Co.	7.00
Lampton Crane & Ramey Co.	11.28
Liberty Fire Insurance Co.	8.50
John Lodenkemper	5.10
Longmans, Green & Co.	58.90
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Chemical Co.	26.60
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	198.17
Louisville Courier-Journal, The Louisville Times	54.60
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Macmillan Company	127.28
Miller Paper Company	18.49
Edward J. Miller and Co.	21.65
Moody's Investors Service	100.00
Morehouse Publishing Co.	1.04
John P. Morton & Company	168.60
National Conference on City Planning	5.00
National Historical Society	20.00
Thomas Nelson & Sons	1.66
New York Times Index	8.00
Otis Elevator Company	14.00
Pirtle, Weaver and Menefee	25.50
Ransdell, Ind.	10.00
Allen M. Reager & Co.	20.79
Mrs. R. W. Reichart	25.00
Remington Typewriter Company	7.00
Research Publishing Co.	1.00
Reutlinger & Co.	4.25
Royal Typewriter Co.	4.00
Geo. T. Settle, Librarian - Petty Cash	59.98
Slade, Hipp & Meloy	9.11
J. B. Slaughter & Co.	34.00
Southeastern Paper Co.	35.75
Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company	129.53
Special Libraries Association	4.00
Standard Oil Company	18.40
G. E. Stechert & Co.	25.45
W. K. Stewart Company	858.61
Frederick A. Stokes Company	1.35
Stone and Gnau	51.00

Tehan and Head	4.00	
University of Chicago Press	2.82	
G. Broes Van Dort Company	32.82	
J. F. Wagner Sons Company	1.00	
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	1 015.26	
Prince Wells Company	23.73	
Western Union Telegraph Company	4.50	
Williams Bookstores Company	2.50	
H. W. Wilson Company	8.80	
Zenith Book Company	2.50	
		5 584.90
Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Librarian - Pay Roll		9 432.85
Louisville Trust Company- Retiring mortgage 5,000.00		
One month's interest	22.91	5 022.91
Total . . . . .		\$ 20 040.66

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Feb 9 - 1927

C. L. Power Vice President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday February 9, 1927  
in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Mr. Heyburn, Mrs. Mansfield, Dr. Pfingst, Dr. Powell, Dr. Rauch, Monsig. Schuhmann, Mayor Will and the Librarian, with Vice-President Powell in the chair. When Mayor Will appeared he insisted on Dr. Powell retaining this seat. Dr. Hemphill, Dr. Mullins, Mr. Ossmann and Mr. Thruston were reported out of the city.

The minutes of the regular January 12 meeting were read and upon motion the action of the Executive Committee and the adoption of the minutes were approved.

The Secretary read letters as follows:

- a. Letters of December 8 and 10, 1926 from Mr. O. P. Ward, architect, making recommendations for repairs on gutters and pointing of cornices on Main building.  
Upon motion the matter was referred to the Building Committee, with power to act and Mr. Ward is authorized to present three or more bids on necessary work on gutters and necessary work on pointing, etc. of cornices, for their approval. The resolution includes that each bid must be in full and the work guaranteed, and not on cost plus basis.  
Mr. Ward's statement shows proposition No. 1 to furnish all labor, tools, and material necessary to rake and tuckpoint all joints of all stone cornice on the Main building for \$400.00. Propositions Nos. 2 and 3 to clean all stone were not considered.  
Mr. Ward in his letter of December 10 says to properly fix the roof to prevent leaks coming through the cornices will cost in the neighborhood of \$1,800.00. See exhibits Nos. 1 and 2.
- b. Letter of December 15, 1926 from Family Service Organization, regarding the Miss Lawler accident, was read for record. This completes the Lawler case as far as the library is concerned.
- c. Letter of January 24, 1927 from Kaufman-Straus Company, signed J. B. Judah, Superintendent. Mr. Judah states that the bronze tablet of the Boone Trail, which is offered as a gift to the library by Kaufman-Straus Company, is ready and suggests that someone be named to make the presentation talk.  
Upon motion the gift was accepted without conditions and the Library Committee named with power to act to locate a suitable place for the tablet in the building and to arrange a program. See exhibit No. 3.
- d. Letter of January 26, 1927 from Mr. Joseph M. Hayse, attorney.  
Mr. Hayse notifies us that some parties he represents will institute



necessary legal action to enjoin the library from conducting chautauqua meetings in the rear of the Shawnee Branch Library building this year.

Upon motion the librarian was instructed to write Mr. Hayse as follows: "The question of use of property at 40th and Broadway for chautauqua purposes has not been presented to the Board, but if the organization interested secures a high class association the Board very probably will consent. It all depends upon Chautauqua suggested, manner of conducting, etc." See exhibit No. 4.

- e. The Librarian announced that the Henry Watterson Memorial Collection room will be ready to open some time the latter part of February. He stated that if it were agreeable he was under the impression that Mrs. Watterson wanted Mr. Bingham on the program. Upon motion the Library Committee is to set a date and arrange the program.
- f. The Librarian reported that the Highland Park sub-branch library was opened with appropriate exercises on Saturday, January 29, 1927. Mrs. Mansfield, who had expected to represent the Library Board, was unable to attend on account of the serious illness of her husband. For program see exhibit No. 5.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

February 9, 1927

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance on February 1, 1927 of \$1,204.99 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$4,204.99.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for January was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 128,885 volumes, an increase of 2,520 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 75,259 volumes were circulated to adults and 53,626 to children. The circulation is divided: fiction 67,792 volumes, non-fiction 61,093 and 13,279 magazines, fifty-two per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 994 borrowers registered, making a total of 59,988 borrowers registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 16,376 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main Library and branches, a decrease of

4,848 questions. There were 32 reading lists compiled, 225 books and magazines lent for home use and 1,545 pictures circulated. The attendance in the Civics Room was 2,271 and there were 1,922 visitors to the Museum. There were 1,007 volumes added in January and 1,499 volumes cataloged, making the total number of volumes available for public use 284,494.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$16,466.31 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$9,971.93, voucher No. 77, checks Nos. 5331-5437 inclusive, signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid February 1. This also includes vouchers Nos. 79 to Wm. P. Bannon, \$60.00, No. 80 to James Clark Jr. Company, \$76.70; No. 81 to Walter B. Diecks Electric Company \$332.40, and No. 82 to R. Mansfeld and Son, \$1,100.00 for work on Watterson room. This leaves a balance of \$4,925.28, voucher No. 78, checks Nos. 5438-5525 inclusive to be paid:

Acme Printing Company	\$ 16.50
American Association for Adult Education	5.00
American Library Association	25.13
Arctic Ice Company	21.82
Art Shop	1.55
Robin M. Baggerly	130.20
Baker and Taylor Company	38.64
Baptist Book Concern	32.30
Barbee and Castleman	45.00
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	74.79
Bloom and Herrmann	21.25
R. R. Bowker Company	6.25
Brown and Martin	21.25
Carter Dry Goods Co.	3.83
Caufield and Shook	10.57
Central Glass Company	8.22
Childers Electric Company	7.68
Columbia Carbon Company	12.25
Consolidated Realty Co.	10.00
Dien and Wing Paper Company	16.80
R. O. Dusch	15.05
Elbert Coal Company	324.65
Electric Blue Print & Supply Co.	4.50
Encyclopaedia Britannica	30.00
F. W. Faxon Company	3.19
Geo. G. Fetter Company	1.15
J. W. Fischer	2.90
Gaunt and Harris	15.95
Gaylord Brothers	18.51
Gilding Shop	14.75
Mrs. Harriet E. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Co.	18.40

Hammer Printing and Office Supply Co.	13.15
C. S. Hammond and Company	3.00
Hannah-Miles Company	1.08
Heaton Publishing Company	3.50
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	14.70
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Hubbuck Bros. and Wellendorff	2.25
International Time Recording Co.	7.22
Jefferson Noyes and Embry	23.40
Jenne-Hardy Co.	1.25
R. Jeunesse and Sons	38.00
E. A. Jonas	19.20
Kaufman-Straus Co.	224.57
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	412.00
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind	4.80
Herman C. Korfhage Co.	7.00
Library of Congress	100.00
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	199.20
Louisville Grocery Co.	1.25
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
John J. McHenry & Co.	15.95
Macmillan Co.	7.09
Martindale Mercantile Agency	25.60
Meffert Equipment Company	6.25
Miller Paper Company	11.10
Mitchell Brothers	3.60
John P. Morton and Company	128.45
National Housing Association	5.00
National Society Daughters of American Revolution	6.00
National Society of Penal Information	3.15
National Supply Company	5.47
Otis Elevator Company	14.00
Premier Publishing Co.	7.50
Public Libraries	12.00
Rand McNally & Company	3.32
Real Book Company	2.25
Mrs. R. W. Reichart	25.00
Reutlinger and Company	15.95
Royal Typewriter Company	4.00
William J. Rueff	25.00
Russell Sage Foundation	2.58
Marvyn Scudder Manual	25.00
Geo. T. Settle, Librarian - Petty Cash	62.20
Short's Tire Service	45.70
J. E. Sikking	77.20
J. B. Slaughter and Co.	15.95
Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Co.	129.38
Southeastern Paper Co.	22.00
Standard Printing Co.	366.50
G. E. Stechert and Company	19.51
W. K. Stewart Co.	717.61
Tehan and Head	8.95
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	1 004.37

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Wilderness Road Book Shop		37.40
H. W. Wilson Company		2.40
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Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Librarian - Pay Roll		9 971.93
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		\$ 14 897.21
William P. Bammon	Watterson room	60.00
James Clark Jr. Co.	" "	76.70
Walter B. Diecks Electric Co.	" "	332.40
R. Mansfeld and Son	" "	1 100.00
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Total . . . .		\$ 16 466.31

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

March 9/27

Arthur T. Rice President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

Exhibit No. 1

December 8, 1926

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

Dear Sir:-

In compliance with your request I have obtained some prices on pointing the cornice and stone work of the library building at Fourth and York Streets. These figures are by Max A. Reinecke, who has been highly recommended to me by the Peter-Burghard Stone Company, and who they say is the only person in town that they would recommend for such work. The figures are as follows:-

- Prop. #1. He will furnish all labor, tools and material necessary to rake and tuckpoint all joints of all the stone cornice on the Public Library Building, for the sum of . . . . . \$ 400.00
- Prop. #2. He will clean all the exterior stone work of the entire building and point the joints where the mortar is loose, or has come out, for the sum of . . . . . \$1,500.00
- Prop. #3. He will rake and tuckpoint all the joints of all the exterior stone work, for the sum of . . . . . \$1,500.00

For fear Propositions #2 and #3 may not be very clear I will say that

in Proposition #2 Reinecke agrees to clean all the stone work and point only where it is necessary, and in Proposition #3 he agrees to rake the mortar out of all joints and repoint same but will not clean the stone work.

It seems to me that the Propositions #1 and #2 are the only ones that need be considered, for I see no advantage in raking and pointing all the joints whether they need it or not, as covered in Proposition #3.

I should think that Proposition #1 would be the one to accept, and I think that this pointing should be done. However, there is not much use in pointing up the cornice if the gutter is leaking, and the water coming through from above. I have delayed making a report on this matter as I have been waiting to hear from Mr. Ferd Schupp, the roofer, in regard to the copper work in connection with the gutter, but he has been sick for the last couple of weeks and I learn has been operated on and is in a dangerous condition at the hospital. I have asked another roofer to go by the library today and report to me upon the condition of the gutter, and I will report to you again as soon as I hear from him.

Am writing you today, however, as I did not like to have this matter held up any longer.

Yours very truly

(Signed) OSSIAN P. WARD

Exhibit No. 2

December 10, 1927

Mr. George T. Settle,  
Louisville Free Public Library,  
Fourth & York Sts.,  
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:-

Mr. Hutchison, of the Kirchdorfer-Hutchison Co., sheetmetal contractors, has examined the copper roof and gutter on the Library at Fourth and York Streets, and reports to me that the gutter has been incorrectly constructed, and has broken the lap seams and joints in more than a hundred places. This is due to the fact that the proper expansion joints were not provided. As you know, this roof has given trouble for a good many years on this account.

To properly fix the roof and prevent the leaks coming through the cornice will require considerable expense. Mr. Hutchison says it is impossible to accurately estimate the cost but at a guess he should say it would amount to about \$1,800.00. About the only way to handle such a job would be on a cost plus basis, and if such an arrangement is followed, he will agree to do the work on the following basis of charge:-

All labor will be charged at the exact cost plus 33-1/3% for operating expenses, overhead, insurance, and supervision, plus a net profit of fifteen (15%) percent.

All materials shall be billed at cost plus 20%.

There would be very little material used in such a job as it will be

practically all labor.

There will not be any use in pointing the cornice unless the roofing is mended first. The stone man also states that the cost of scaffolding to replace the broken stone in the cornice would be so expensive that it would be out of all proportion to the cost of the stone work, and suggests that if there is any likelihood of the cornice being pointed, to wait and use the same scaffolding for both operations. This seems to be a sensible suggestion.

Will you please take this matter up with your Building Committee, and advise me whether you want me to carry the matter further? Awaiting further word from you, I am

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) OSSIAF P. WARD

Exhibit No. 3

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Mr. Geo. T. Settle,  
% Louisville Free Public Library,  
City,

Dear Mr. Settle:

The Bronze Tablet of the Boone trail is now ready and we have sent on for some photographs.

Whom do you suggest as the proper man to make the presentation talk? Some prominent old judge entirely acquainted with the Kentucky history would seem to the writer to be a very appropriate one to deliver such a talk.

The writer would like to talk to you along these lines the next time you are in town.

Very truly yours,

KAUFMAN STRAUS CO.,

(Signed) J. B. JUDAH

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Exhibit No. 4

January 26, 1927

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

Dear Sir:

It appears that the Public Library has permitted the Redpath Chautauqua or some other chautauqua to use its lot in the rear of its building, 40th and

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Broadway, to hold a chautauqua one or more times each year. It further appears this chautauqua has become a great nuisance on account of the noise they make and the damage they do the property of surrounding property holders, and I am writing you this letter to ask you if it is contemplated to allow this chautauqua to use this property again, and if so, the parties I represent will institute the necessary legal action to enjoin them from conducting this chautauqua at this place. If you will advise me fully in the premises, I will appreciate it very much.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) JOSEPH M. HAYSE

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Exhibit No. 5

PROGRAM OF OPENING EXERCISES  
HIGHLAND PARK SUB-BRANCH LIBRARY

Saturday, January 29, 1927

1. Selection by Harmonica Club from Main School of Highland Park, of which Miss Warden is principal.
2. Recitation by Louise Durfin (Children's Hour)
3. Recitation by Richard Lawson (Kipling's "If")  
These last two were from children of the Lowell School,  
Mrs. Johnson, Principal
4. Harmonica Club
5. Reading by Mrs. Emma Renner (Bro. Mose's sermon)  
Mrs. Renner was called to the floor 4 times the last 3 reciting
  - 1st An Irishman's "Invy" (envy)
  - 2nd Aspirint "Dish washer."
  - 3rd Mrs. Restus Johnson on the "phone"

6. Short talks by
  - Mr. Settle
  - Miss Cochran
  - Dr. Iutz
  - Miss Warden
  - Mrs. Johnson
  - Mrs. Toll
  - Mrs. Iutz
7. Harmonica Club

Adjourned

by Mrs. Eleven M. Jones

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees, Wednesday March 9, 1927,  
in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Mrs. Mansfield,  
Dr. Mullins, Mr. Ossmann, ~~Dr. Powell~~, Monsig. Schuhmann, Mr. Thruston, Mayor Will  
and the Librarian, with President Will in the chair. Mr. Barker, Dr. Pfingst,  
Dr. Powell and Dr. Rauch were unable to attend.

The minutes of the regular February 9 meeting were read and upon motion  
approved.

On call for reading and consideration of communications, the Secretary  
read as follows:

- a. Letter of February 22, 1927 from Mrs. Henry Watterson. The Secretary stated that the question of arranging a program to open the Henry Watterson Memorial Collection had been referred to the Library Committee and Mrs. Watterson, and this letter was advising us that Mrs. Watterson had asked Judge Bingham to represent her on the occasion. See exhibit No. 1.
  - b. The program for the opening of the Henry Watterson Memorial Collection, recommended by the Library Committee, was approved by the Board. See exhibit No. 2.
  - c. Letter of March 9, 1927 from Mrs. John M. Waggener was read. Mrs. Waggener writes that through the efforts of the special committee (Mrs. J. B. Speed, Miss Caroline Bourgard, Miss Helen McBride and herself) they had raised the fund and selected a piano. Upon motion the gift was accepted and the Secretary instructed to express the thanks of the Board. For letter in full and list of donors see exhibit No. 3.
  - d. List of most popular books in February was presented to be included in exhibits. See exhibit No. 4.
  - e. The Librarian made report on training class. See exhibit No. 5
- In the absence of Mr. Barker, Chairman, the Treasurer's report was read

by Dr. Hemphill, member of the Finance Committee, as follows:

March 9, 1927

## TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance March 1, 1927 of \$7,182.51 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about



the tenth of each month, making a total of \$10,182.51.

Since this report was received the Treasurer telephoned that we have received from city taxes \$79,723.55. We are submitting voucher No. 85 to Louisville Trust Company, \$64,000.00 for Bills Payable and \$1,001.19 interest on loans, total \$65,001.19, for approval for payment.

Respectfully submitted

Signed) C. R. HEMPHILL

Member Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed, and voucher ordered paid.

The following action of the Building Committee was read:

March 9, 1927

To the Library Board:

The question of repairs on gutters and cornices at the Main library was referred to the Building Committee at the Board meeting, February 9 (record 5, page 362). The architect has been asked to get not less than three separate bids on this work, and not time plus material bids. He is having some difficulty in getting such bids.

The question of reconstructing the library drive was referred to the Building Committee at the Board meeting November 10, 1926, (Record 5, page 346). Your committee has not been in a position to take any action, awaiting to know what repairs on Main building gutters and cornices would cost and how much would be left on the repairs account.

We trust that you will defer action on these matters until we are in a position to make a recommendation.

We submit tabulated bids for painting Shawnee Branch Library, exterior and interior, and bids for placing asphalt roofing on this branch. We recommend as follows:

Painting (exterior and interior)	Frank Hartman & Sons	\$373.00
Roofing	Asphalt Roofing Co.	\$404.25

We submit herewith voucher No. 86 to J. L. Strassel Company, \$311.00 for painting in Henry Watterson Memorial Collection room, for approval for payment.

Respectfully,

(Signed) PHIL. OSSMANN

Chairman Building Committee

Upon motion this was approved and voucher ordered paid.

The recommendation to defer action on placing the bronze tablet of the

Boone Trail upon motion was approved.

The Librarian's report for February was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 136,696 volumes, an increase of 14,345 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 81,639 volumes were circulated to adults and 55,057 to children. The circulation is divided: fiction 67,741 volumes, non-fiction 68,955 and 13,360 magazines, forty-nine per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 1,657 borrowers registered, making a total of 60,146 borrowers registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 24,044 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 5,965. There were 60 reading lists compiled, 190 books and magazines lent for home use and 2,612 pictures circulated. The attendance in the Civics Room was 2,409 and there were 1,637 visitors to the Museum. The report shows that 125 newspapers were read for items and 999 clippings filed, 47 of which were from local newspapers concerning the library. There were 78 bound volumes of newspapers used in the room and 155 pamphlets and clippings classified. There were 585 volumes added in February and 1,702 volumes cataloged, making the total number of volumes available for public use 285,079.

The Librarian's report showing an expenditure of \$80,317.27 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$10,155.50, voucher No. 83, checks Nos. 5526-5632 inclusive, signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid March 1. This also includes voucher No. 85 to Louisville Trust Company, \$64,000.00 for Bills Payable and \$1,001.19 for interest on loans, total \$65,001.19, and voucher No. 86 to J. L. Strassel Company, \$311.00 for painting in Henry Watterson room. This leaves a balance of \$4,849.58, voucher No. 84, checks Nos. 5633-5730 inclusive, to be paid:

Alumnae Association of Smith College	\$ 5.00
Arctic Ice Company	17.06
Army Posts and Towns	2.10
N. W. Ayer and Son	15.00
Baker and Taylor Company	159.85
Barbee and Castleman	17.60
Barret, Robinson and Dickey	8.80
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	74.04

Breckel Press	11.50
Breuer and Company	4.40
Burroughs Adding Machine Company	1.00
Bush-Krebs Company	25.27
Carter Dry Goods Company	4.90
Central Glass Company	11.38
Chapman Insurance Agency	9.80
Chemical Catalog Company	12.00
Childers Electric Co.	40.41
Arthur H. Clark Company	15.00
Consolidated Realty Company	10.00
Crescent Hardware House	2.30
C. T. Dearing Printing Company	45.30
Democrat Printing Company	18.05
Lon E. DeRuntz	36.25
Dugan, Humphreys and Company	7.92
Elbert Coal Company	247.43
F. W. Faxon Company	2.64
Geo. G. Fetter Company	18.00
J. W. Fischer	1.20
Charles V. Franck	5.25
Franklin Printing Company	42.00
Gaylord Bros.	116.75
Golden Syndicate Publishing Co.	4.31
Charles E. Gould	9.80
Mrs. Harriet E. Grant	8.00
Charles D. Greer and Co.	9.80
Hammer Printing and Office Supply Co.	1.00
Hannah-Miles Company	2.60
T. J. Hoke	3.00
J. I. Holcomb Mfg. Co.	4.05
Jos. Hubbuch Sr. and Sons	314.50
Hummel and Meyer	8.80
Jefferson, Noyes and Embry	17.60
F. A. Jonas	13.85
Jones Brothers Publishing Co.	6.00
Kardex Rand Sales Corporation	37.35
Kaufman-Straus Company	5.00
Kee Lox Mfg. Company	1.50
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	498.60
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind	6.80
Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.	2.70
Charles A. Lang Agency	8.80
Henry H. Lang & Company	8.80
Laurel Book Company	49.38
John C. Lewis Company	7.80
Liberty Fire Insurance Company	8.80
Library of Congress	100.00
John Lodenkemper	4.80
Longmans, Green and Company	15.35
Long's Towel Supply Company	9.00
Louisville Chemical Company	28.00
Louisville Gas and Electric Co.	181.77
Louisville League of Women Voters	18.00
Louisville Paper Co.	14.50
Louisville Towel Supply	8.20
John J. McHenry & Co.	5.28

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Macmillan Company		1.25
Edward J. Miller and Co.		8.80
Miller Paper Company		31.20
Milliken Battery Company		5.90
Mitchell Brothers		1.60
John P. Morton & Company		70.30
Otis Elevator Company		14.00
W. F. Quarrie and Company		55.00
Mrs. R. W. Reichart		25.00
Reisert Insurance Agency		13.70
Reutlinger and Company		17.60
Robinson, Wilson and Long		12.25
William J. Rueff		14.00
J. E. Sikking		77.15
Geo. T. Settle, Librarian - Petty Cash		51.98
Clarence R. Smith and Company		54.50
Southeastern Paper Company		7.50
Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company		129.38
Standard Oil Company		18.40
Standard Printing Company		283.50
W. K. Stewart Company		415.25
Tehan and Head		2.40
Telegraphic Cable and Radio Registrations		25.00
Timberlake and Trueheart		11.93
Tippett and Walker		8.80
J. M. Todd and Company		8.80
G. Broes Van Dort Company		78.24
Viglioni and Langan		8.80
A. J. Wallon and Son		6.50
Weber Office Equipment Company		2.00
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Company		954.39
Prince Wells Company		3.22
H. W. Wilson Company		19.30
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Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Librarian - Pay Roll		10 155.50
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J. L. Strassel Company	Watterson Estate	311.00
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Louisville Trust Company	Bills Payable	64,000.00
	Interest	<u>1,001.19</u>
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	Total . . . . .	\$ 80 317.27

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

April 13/27

Arthur A. Wiley President

Geo. T. Settle Secretary

For exhibits see following pages

Exhibit No. 1

The Manor, Asheville, N. C.  
February 22, 1927

My dear Mr. Settle:

Thank you for your kind letter of the 13th inst.

Unfortunately it will be impossible for me to be present in person at the opening exercises of the Henry Watterson Memorial Collection, so, acting at once upon the information you gave me I asked Judge Bingham to be my representative on the occasion. I thought a few formal remarks in my behalf would not interfere with the more important request of the Public Library.

I transferred to Judge Bingham the liberty you had given me of naming the date of the public exercises.

As to those persons to be included in the program I must leave such selection to the better judgment of Judge Bingham, Mr. Powell and yourself. However, I ask that my brother Judge Robert Ewing and Mrs. Ewing, of Nashville, Tenn. and my sister, Mrs. Spencer Eakin of Shelbyville, Tenn. be among the invited guests.

May I have some idea of the arrangement of the busts, portraits, etc. also the signature and date on each object? A few lines on the placing of these objects will be greatly appreciated.

Enclosed find telegram from Judge Bingham, which please return to me at your leisure.

Sincerely yours

(Signed) MRS. HENRY WATTERSON

Albany, Ga. Feb 20 1927

Mrs. Henry Watterson  
The Manor  
Asheville, N. C.

I have been at a shooting lodge in country with only delayed communication with office and so your message has just reached me. I shall gladly and gratefully undertake to represent you and am profoundly gratified that you wish me to do so. Shall perfect arrangements early in March on return to Louisville. Thanks. Regards and every good wish.

R. W. Bingham

Exhibit No. 2

THE HENRY WATTERSON MEMORIAL COLLECTION

Presented to the

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

will be received

Tuesday, March 15, 1927, at 4 p.m.

PROGRAM

Chairman	Mayor Arthur A. Will
Invocation	Dr. Edward L. Powell
Presentation	Judge Robert W. Bingham, representing Mrs. Watterson
Acceptance	Mr. R.C. Ballard Thruston, representing the Library Board
Benediction	Rabbi Joseph Rauch

Exhibit No. 3

March 9, 1927

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

Dear Mr. Settle:

Through the liberality, public spirit and musical interest of a number of our citizens, it is my pleasure to present to the Main Library a Kurtzmann Grand Piano.

In my efforts to secure the funds to purchase same, Mr. Wallace M. Davis has given valuable assistance in acting as Treasurer of the fund.

Mrs. J. B. Speed, Miss Caroline Bourgard and Miss Helen McBride composed the committee to select the piano, and gave much time and care to securing an instrument of individual merit and tone.

I trust that it may be an addition of real value to the Library.

The following is a list of contributors:

Crescent Hill Womans Club	Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston
Teachers of Jefferson County	Seelbach Hotel
Jefferson County P.T.S. Council	Anchorage P. T. A.
Hon. F. M. Sackett	Mrs. Fred Levy
Levy Bros.	Mrs. Alfred Brandies
Mr. Arthur D. Allen	Louisville League P. T. A.
Mrs. Peter Lee Atherton	Consolidated Realty Co.
Mrs. Helen V. Pilcher	Mr. Geo. Buechel
Mr. Thos. W. Moran	Mrs. Mai Hill Bartlett
Louisville Conservatory of Music	Herman Straus and Sons Co.
Mrs. Julia B. Heyburn	Mrs. Merriam E. Barnes
Mr. Chas. W. Allen	Mr. W. E. Pilcher
Louisville Trust Co.	Mr. H. A. Reynolds
Highland Mothers Club	Mayor Arthur A. Will
Louisville Womans City Club	Mrs. Juliet R. Belknap
P. T. A. Girls High School	Mrs. Morris Belknap
Mrs. Mattie Norton	Kaufman Straus Co.
Mrs. A. T. Hert	Mr. C. Oscar Ewing
Mrs. Chas. W. Allen	Mr. Walter Jacobs
Altrusa Club	Mrs. Clarence Mengel,
Dr. C. R. Hemphill	through the Monday Afternoon Club
Sorosis Club	H. P. Selman & Co.
"Friend"	Mr. E. P. Thomas
Mrs. Emily T. Mengel	Mr. Isham Bridges
Optimist Club	Stewart Dry Goods Co.
J. Bacon and Sons	Fourth Street Office,
Liberty Insurance Bank	Citizens Union National Bank

Yours very truly,

(Signed) MRS. JOHN M. WAGGENER

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Exhibit No. 4

## MOST POPULAR BOOKS IN FEBRUARY 1927

Fiction

Ferber	Show boat
Deeping	Sorrell and son
Parrish	Tomorrow morning
Bromfield	Early autumn
Tarkington	Plutocrat
Ostenso	Dark dawn
Young	William
Erskine	Private life of Helen of Troy
Burt	Delectable mountains
Gibbs	Labels

Non-fiction

Durant	Story of philosophy
Browne	This believing world
Jones	Christ of the Indian Road
Dorsey	Why we behave like human beings
Vandercook	Tom-tom
Lindsey	Revolt of modern youth
Morton	I am a woman and a Jew
Bodley	George Rogers Clark
Barton	Man nobody knows
Ludwig	Napoleon

Exhibit No. 5

The Librarian reports that the training class has completed the work for the period September 1, 1926 - February 28, 1927, with the following general averages:

Ann Young Crawford	72.1
Libbie Fuchs	84.2
Dorothy Louise Goodwin	77.6
Mary Luis Jarboe	70.8
Hilda Katherine Limper	87.1
Audrey Carolyn Lucas	83.2
Lydia Ann Lutz	91
Esther Dickinson Stout	95.7
Rachael Ballingal Williams	81

The class was organized with ten members, but Miss Mary Kathryn Callahan dropped out on October 14, when her father died, and about a week later she married and did not return.

The nine young ladies who completed the course are now on the eligible list for substitute work and positions as vacancies occur.

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees Wednesday, April 13, 1927  
in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Dr. Mullins, Dr. Rauch,  
Mr. Thruston, Mayor Will and the Librarian, with President Will in the chair.  
Dr. Powell and Mr. Ossmann were reported out of the city, and Mr. Heyburn,  
Mrs. Mansfield, Dr. Pfingst and Monsig. Schuhmann unable to attend.

The minutes of the regular March 9 meeting were read and upon motion ap-  
proved.

On call for reading and consideration of communications, the Secretary  
read as follows:

- a. Letter of March 25, 1927 from Mayor Will, as follows:

March 25, 1927

Mr. George T. Settle,  
Librarian,  
City.

Dear Sir:

I have this day reappointed the following as Trustees  
of the Louisville Free Public Library:

Mr. Phil Ossmann  
Dr. E. L. Powell  
Dr. E. Y. Mullins

I am also enclosing copy of letter written the General  
Council.

Very truly,

(Signed) ARTHUR A WILL  
Mayor

The Secretary reported that Dr. Mullins and Dr. Powell had  
delivered their oath of affirmation and that Mr. Ossmann was  
out of the city and would deliver his on his return.

- b. Letters of March 11 and 12, 1927 from Mrs. Henry Watterson, and  
Librarian's reply of March 14, were read in full. See exhibits  
Nos. 1, 2 and 3.
- c. Letter of March 14, 1927 from Kaufman-Straus Company, regarding  
the action of the Library Board at its regular meeting in March,  
deferring the arrangement of a public program to receive the



bronze tablet of Boone Trail.

Upon motion this is again delayed. See exhibit No. 4.

- d. Letter of March 18, 1927 from Arthur J. O'Keefe, Mayor of New Orleans, extending an invitation to attend a meeting of the Mississippi Valley Historical Association, March 31-April 2, 1927.

The Secretary reported that he had thanked Mayor O'Keefe for the invitation.

- e. Letter to Fiscal Court of Jefferson County on report of the work the library is doing in the county was submitted by Mr. Barker, Chairman of the committee on work in Jefferson County. See exhibit No. 5.

- f. List of most popular books in March was submitted. See exhibit No. 6.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

April 13, 1927

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report is submitted herewith showing cash balance on April 1, 1927 of \$13,079.12. To this is to be added \$3,000.00 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$16,079.12.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed.

The Librarian's report for March was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 181,862 volumes, an increase of 4,792 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 91,209 volumes were circulated to adults and 80,653 to children. The circulation is divided: fiction 72,792 volumes, non-fiction 79,070 and 15,621 magazines, forty-nine per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 1,390 borrowers registered during the month, making a total of 60,163 borrowers registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 30,170 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 6,090. There were 40 reading lists compiled, 184 books and magazines lent for home use and 4,799 pictures circulated. The attendance in the Watterson room was 277 and in the Civics

room 2,533. There were 1,950 visitors to the Museum. The report shows that 140 newspapers were read for items and 930 clippings filed, 40 of which were from local newspapers concerning the library. There were 69 bound volumes of newspapers used in the room and 151 pamphlets and clippings classified. There were 1,178 volumes added to the library in March and 1,859 volumes cataloged, making the number of volumes available to the public 286,257.

Under new business Mr. Thruston called attention to a gift he had made to the library some years ago of a Roman collection (cinerary urns, sarcophagus, etc.) still in the warehouse for lack of floor space in the Museum to accommodate it. He wondered if it would not be advisable to offer the Museum as a whole to some organization in Louisville that could properly care for it and display it. The question of transferring paintings on the walls of the library was also discussed and the gift of Mr. I. W. Bernheim was referred to. It seemed to be the opinion of the Board that if the Museum is transferred it should be transferred as a whole to give more space for library purposes, and not transferred in part or by selection. No further action was taken.

Mr. Thruston remarked that there should be a catalog of paintings and that the pictures should be numbered for the benefit of the public. The Librarian stated that there are printed catalogs in each department, which are kept up to date by hand, and that the catalog is now being revised for printing and that pictures would be numbered.

The following is the result of the election of officers:

President	Mayor Arthur A. Will
Vice-President	Dr. Edward L. Powell
Secretary	George T. Settle
Treasurer	Louisville Trust Company

The Librarian's report for March showing an expenditure of \$12,095.54 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll \$10,146.67, voucher No. 87, checks Nos. 5731-5834 inclusive, signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee

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and paid April 1. This leaves a balance of \$1,948.87, voucher No. 88, checks Nos. 5835-5878 inclusive to be paid:

Aetna Oil Service	\$ 20.00
American Economic Association	1.15
Art Shop	3.10
Arctic Ice Company	19.29
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	55.75
Carter Dry Goods Co.	4.15
Central Glass Company	3.90
F. A. Clegg and Co.	8.60
Consolidated Realty Co.	10.00
Walter B. Diecks Electric Co.	2.10
Blanche Dinkelspiel	7.20
R. O. Dusch	5.40
Elbert Coal Company	128.52
Embry Box Company	4.50
Geo. G. Fetter Company	9.10
J. W. Fischer	1.30
Franklin Printing Company	10.50
Mrs. Harriet E. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Company	19.12
H. Hesse	4.85
T. J. Hoke	3.00
E. A. Jonas	12.20
Keystone View Company	50.67
Koshler Stamp and Stencil Co.	3.85
N. Liebschutz	6.00
Long's Towel Supply Co.	9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	162.58
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.71
Mayes Printing Co.	10.00
National Society, Daughters of American Revolution	6.00
New South Publishing Co.	2.50
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Rand McNally and Company	36.00
Mrs. R. W. Reichart	25.00
George T. Settle, Libn - Petty Cash	53.10
J. E. Sikking	12.40
Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Co.	130.58
Standard Oil Company	19.12
Stone and Gnau	40.63
United States Daily	15.00
Who's Who in Colored America Corporation	18.00
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	959.61
Prince Wells Company	19.89
Western Union Telegraph Co.	4.50
	<u>1 948.87</u>
Pd) George T. Settle, Libn - Pay Roll	10 146.67
Total . . . . .	\$ 12 095.54

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

May 11, 1927  
See following pages for exhibits

*William A. Hill*  
*Geo. T. Settle*

President

Secretary

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Exhibit No. 1

The Manor, Asheville, N.C.  
March 11, 1927

My dear Mr. Settle:

On information through official letter as to early opening of the Henry Watterson Library, I hasten to correct a few errors contained therein. Please follow revised list in placing tags on busts, portraits, statues, statuettes, etc., etc.,:

Bust of Henry Watterson by Carl Rohl-Smith  
Portrait of Henry Watterson by Benoni Irwin  
Portrait of Henry Clay by Dodge  
Portrait of Alexander Campbell by Washington Cooper  
Bust - Boyhood of Lincoln by Ames Van Wart  
Statuette - Replica Houdon's Washington  
Statuette - Replica Heroic statue Abraham Lincoln in Capitol at Frankfort, Kentucky  
Staff regalia worn by Henry Watterson at General Grant's funeral  
Original photograph "earliest editorial staff Courier-Journal"  
Original photograph "earliest counting-room staff Courier-Journal"  
Three frames containing photographs of foreign editors. Tag each as to nationality  
Bust of Mary Anderson presented to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Watterson by the actress

I am sending by registered mail tomorrow the following objects:

"The Confederate Seal" to be tagged "a relic of the Confederacy"  
Two (2) insignia - the one from the Republic of France, the other from the Kingdom of Belgium, with letters accompanying them from the two Governments conferring the honors  
A hammered silver plaque conveying inscription "The pen of the time"

I have a few other contributions to be handed over at a future date, as they are not now in my keeping.

Will you wire me as soon as the date for the opening is fixed.

*2 July 1946. Small table  
delivered to Mrs. E. L. Powell,  
Messrs. Campbell, at  
request of Mrs. Richardson*

Sincerely yours

(Signed) MRS. HENRY WATTERSON

Exhibit No. 2

The Manor, Asheville, N.C.  
March 12, 1927

My dear Mr. Settle:

Your letter of the 11th inst. with enclosures just received.

The contents of enclosures please me mightily. I note all you say with perfect satisfaction and regret more than ever my enforced absence from the public exercises.

I trust box, containing objects of art, sent parcel post special delivery will reach you in safety Monday morning.

The funeral address delivered by Dr. E. L. Powell, you will find in this

letter. I leave it to you and Mr. Ward for a place among most treasured articles. Flowers will reach you Monday forenoon to be put upon the desk, before the portrait and at base of pedestal supporting bust.

Sincerely yours

(Signed) MRS. HENRY WATTERSON

Exhibit No. 3

March 14, 1927

Mrs. Henry Watterson  
The Manor  
Asheville, N. C.

My dear Mrs. Watterson:

Thanks for your letter of March 11, 1927 giving us the full information on items in the Henry Watterson Memorial Collection.

Your colored man delivered this morning an etched portrait of Mr. Watterson, with oak stand for same. This has been placed on Mr. Watterson's desk.

There was a woman with the colored man and we showed them both the rooms. They seemed to like them and both said they were sorry you were not here to see them.

Your letter of March 12, 1927, with funeral address delivered by Dr. E. L. Powell, has been received. The box, mentioned in this letter, arrived today, with the following contents:

The Confederate Seal, to be tagged "a relic of the Confederacy"  
Two (2) insignia - the one from the Republic of France, the other from the Kingdom of Belgium, with letters accompanying them from the two Governments conferring the honors.  
A hammered silver plaque conveying inscription "The pen of the times."

I am enclosing clippings from Courier-Journal and Herald-Post of Sunday, March 13.

We are indeed sorry you are not to be with us tomorrow.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. I. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

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See next page

Exhibit No. 4

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Mr. Geo. Settle,  
Secretary: - Lou. Free Public Library  
City.

Dear Mr. Settle:

We have your letter and we are very much disappointed that the Board seems to think the cast too rough for close inspection indoors. We thought it very beautiful and still think so, and we thought it such a lovely thing for the Library to have. Since our very close and pleasant association for these many years, we thought it most fitting to present this tablet to the Library. And, on that account, went to the expense of purchasing it.

Of course we expected the Board to accept it formally with some sort of publicity attached so that both, the Library as well as ourselves, could secure the newspaper's cooperation and make it as much of a public affair as possible.

Yours very truly,

KAUFMAN STRAUS CO.,

(Signed) J. B. Judah,  
Supt.

J. B. Judah,  
BN

Exhibit No. 5

March 30, 1927

Judge Henry I. Fox	)	
Mr. J. C. Kirchdorfer	)	Fiscal Court of
Mr. S. Mazyck O'Brien	)	Jefferson County
Mr. William F. Clarke, Jr.	)	

Gentlemen:

The following is the tenth annual report of Public Library work in Jefferson County outside the city of Louisville conducted by the Louisville Free Public Library under contract with the Fiscal Court of Jefferson County.

The contract made in 1916-17 called for the free use of the Main Library and all branches in the city by residents of Jefferson County, and the establishment of not less than ten stations in the county.

The report for last fiscal year shows that there are 181 centers in 93 buildings in Jefferson County for the circulation of books for home use, an increase of 11 centers and one building. This includes 23 stations (18 white and 5 colored) and 158 classroom collections (144 white and 14 colored), in 70 school buildings (57 white and 13 colored). Public Library books are in every school building in Jefferson County.

The circulation of books for home use from the 181 centers was

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65,011 volumes (56,589 white and 8,422 colored) an increase of 4,799 volumes. This includes 20,352 volumes read by adults and 44,659 by children. No separate record is kept of the number of books taken from the Main library and branches in the city by residents of Jefferson County. This would add several thousand volumes to the circulation of books.

There were 18,790 volumes used in stations and classroom collections in library work. These books were changed quarterly at stations and twice during the school year at schools.

We received \$12,500 last year, and trust that you will increase the appropriation to \$15,000 this year.

Mr. Thomas A. Barker, Monsignor Schuhmann and the Librarian are the committee on county library work. We will be pleased to meet with you if you desire, at your convenience.

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

George T. Settle, Librarian

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Exhibit No. 6

MOST POPULAR BOOKS IN MARCH 1927

Fiction

Deeping	Sorrell and son
Tarkington	Plutoerat
Erskine	Galahad
Canfield	Her son's wife
Roberts	Time of man
Parrish	Tomorrow morning
Gibbs	Labels
Walpole	Harmer John
Wren	Beau Sabreur
Young	William

Non-fiction

Durant	Story of philosophy
Browne	This believing world
Collins	Doctor looks at love and life
Jones	Christ of the Indian road
Vandercook	Tom-tom
Lindsey	Revolt of modern youth
Lawrence	Revolt in the desert
Barton	Man nobody knows
Haliburton	Royal road to romance
Dorsey	Why we behave like human beings

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees Wednesday, May 11, 1927 in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Dr. Hemphill, Mr. Heyburn, Mr. Ossmann, Dr. Pfingst, Monsig. Schuhmann, Mr. Thruston, Mayor Will and the Librarian, with President Will in the chair. Dr. Mullins and Mrs. Gamble were reported ill, Mr. Barker, Dr. Powell, and Dr. Rauch out of the city and Mrs. Mansfield unable to attend.

The minutes of the regular April 13 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

On call for reading and consideration of communications the Secretary read as follows:

- a. Letter of April 18, 1927 to members of the Library Board. This was notifying the Board of the appointments to standing committees named by Mayor Will, President. See exhibit No. 1.
- b. The Librarian announced that Mr. Ossmann had delivered his oath of affirmation and that it would be filed with other important papers of this meeting.
- c. The Librarian announced that a committee from Shawnee Welfare Club, (Frank J. Reck, George J. Tomlinson, Clem F. Schildt, E. P. Wulf) called to make request of the Board for use of the rear lot of the Shawnee Branch library (40th and Broadway) for Chautauqua purposes. This was freely discussed by members of the Board and upon motion of Dr. Hemphill, seconded by Mr. Ossmann, permission was granted with the proviso that the Chautauqua company engaged is first class. The Mayor said the city would be pleased to furnish police protection to maintain order and quiet during the Chautauqua period if a request is made to the Board of Public Safety. See exhibit No. 2.
- d. The Librarian reported that Mr. Barker and he had appeared before the Fiscal Court of Jefferson County and had asked for an increase in appropriation from \$12,500 to \$15,000 this year. He had tried to reach Monsig. Schuhmann, the other member of the committee, having less than an hour to make arrangements to go before the Court. For explanation see exhibit No. 3.
- e. The Librarian reported that the Western Colored Branch library roof had been blown off by the severe storm Friday, April 29, 1927 between 12 and 1 o'clock noon. Upon motion the action of Mr. Ossmann, Chairman of the Building Committee, Mr. Barker and Dr. Powell of the Executive Committee, and the librarian, was approved. Upon motion the Librarian was instructed to write a letter of

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thanks to the Chiefs of the Fire and Police Departments for services rendered.

Upon motion the Librarian was instructed to get not less than three bids on painting the walls and ceiling of interior of this building. For explanation see exhibit No. 4.

- f. The Librarian announced that the A. L. A. would meet in Toronto, June 20-25 and recommended that ten days from June 20 be allowed those members of the staff who desire to attend. Upon motion this was granted.

The Librarian reported that the Louisville Free Public Library has membership in this organization and has heretofore been represented annually by the Librarian. He said he thought it would be very nice to have one of the trustees chosen to attend one of these sessions. Upon motion the Librarian was named to be sent to represent the library.

- g. List of most popular books in April was submitted. See exhibit No. 5.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

May 11, 1927

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance on May 1 of \$9,702.89 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$12,702.89.

As Chairman of the Finance Committee and Insurance Committee, I am submitting statement showing estimated cost of tornado insurance on Main library and branches and recommend that this be referred to the Insurance Committee, with power to act. It will cost \$1,672.60 to carry tornado insurance for three years.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) ADOLPH O. PFINGST

Member Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed.

Upon motion the question of tornado insurance was referred to the Insurance Committee with power to act.

The Librarian's report for April was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 132,496 volumes, an increase of 3,457 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 79,011 volumes were circulated to adults and 53,485 to children. The circulation is divided: fiction 64,123 volumes, non-fiction 68,373 and 13,879 magazines, forty-eight per cent of

the circulation being fiction. There were 779 borrowers registered, making a total of 60,154 borrowers registered. The report of the Reference Department shows 25,113 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 450. There were 31 reading lists compiled, 246 books and magazines lent for home use and 3,851 pictures circulated. The attendance in the Civics Room was 2,309 and in the Watterson Room 375. There were 2,303 visitors to the Museum. The report shows that 123 newspapers were read for items and 1,211 clippings filed, 23 of which were from local newspapers concerning the library. There were 494 volumes added to the library in April and 724 volumes cataloged, making the total number of volumes available for public use 286,751.

The Librarian's report for April showing an expenditure of \$12,637.91 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$9,667.91, voucher No. 89, checks Nos. 5879-5980 inclusive, signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid May 2. This leaves a balance of \$2,970.00, voucher No. 90, checks Nos. 5981-6058 inclusive to be paid:

American Library Association	\$ 6.88
American Multigraph Sales Co.	3.33
Arctic Ice Company	20.07
Art Shop	3.45
Baker and Taylor Company	64.44
Baptist Book Concern	138.60
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.	39.65
R. R. Bowker Co.	24.91
Brentano's	1.13
Burroughs Adding Machine Co.	4.45
Business Book Publishing Co.	3.02
Canode Ink Co.	1.25
Carter Dry Goods Co.	18.01
Caron Directory Co.	153.60
Childers Electric Co.	11.60
Consolidated Realty Co.	10.00
H. C. Curry	3.00
Lon E. DeRuntz	48.10
R. O. Dusch	23.80
Elbert Coal Co.	60.60
Electric Blue Print and Supply Co.	5.25
F. W. Faxon Co.	3.30
Geo. G. Fetter Co.	1.00
J. W. Fischer	2.30
Gaylord Bros.	6.20
Mrs. Harriet E. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Co.	19.12

Hammer Printing and Office Supply Co.	1.75
Hannah-Miles Co.	34.10
Robert L. Hawes & Co.	8.10
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	6.90
T. J. Hoke	3.00
Joseph Hubbuch Sr. and Sons	20.00
Jewish Publication Society of America	5.00
E. A. Jonas	15.90
Kaufman-Straus Co.	124.11
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	145.60
Kentucky Folk-Lore and Poetry Magazine	1.00
Kentucky Furniture Repair Co.	7.50
Kentucky Tent and Awning Co.	6.00
Keystone View Co.	8.56
Koehler Stamp and Stencil Co.	1.05
John Lodenkemper	5.40
Long's Towel Supply	9.00
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	165.12
Louisville Grocery Co.	6.75
Louisville League of Women Voters	18.70
Louisville Paper Co.	12.34
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Macmillan Co.	52.03
Meffert Equipment Co.	1.35
Miller Paper Co.	10.29
Milliken Battery Co.	64.10
Mississippi Historical Society	5.00
John P. Morton and Co.	12.75
National Child Labor Committee	2.00
National Education Association	5.00
Otis Elevator Co.	14.00
Patterson's American Educational Directory	4.80
Waldo S. Pratt	2.00
Mrs. R. W. Reichart	25.00
Royal Typewriter Co.	5.14
Raud Mfg. Co.	18.85
George T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	51.56
J. E. Sikking	9.20
T. Grant Slaughter	47.65
Clarence R. Smith and Co.	1.65
Smith Book Co.	5.50
Southeastern Paper Co.	15.00
Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Co.	130.72
Spokane Public Library	5.00
Standard Oil Co.	19.10
Standard Printing Co.	62.65
G. E. Stechert and Co.	1.68
United Glue Co.	17.76
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	900.81
Wilderness Road Book Shop	157.52
H. W. Wilson Co.	22.75
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	\$ 2 970.00
Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	9 667.91
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Total . . . .	\$12 637.91

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

*June 8 - 1927*

*E. L. P. Mack*

President

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Exhibit No. 1

April 18, 1927

(Sent to all members of the Library Board)

At the Library Board meeting Wednesday April 13, 1927, the following officers were elected for the year:

President	Mayor Arthur A. Will
Vice-President	Dr. E. L. Powell
Secretary	George T. Settle
Treasurer	Louisville Trust Company

Mayor Will, President of the Board, announces the standing committees for the year as follows:

Library Committee

Edward L. Powell, Chairman
George W. Schuhmann
Mrs. Hoyt Gamble
Henry B. Heyburn

Building Committee

Philip Ossmann, Chairman
Edgar Y. Mullins
Mrs. W. J. Mansfield
R. C. Ballard Thruston

Finance Committee

Thomas A. Barker, Chairman
Charles R. Hemphill
Joseph Rauch
Adolph O. Pfingst

Executive Committee

Arthur A. Will, Chairman
Philip Ossmann
Edward L. Powell
Thomas A. Barker

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Secretary and Librarian

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Exhibit No. 2

May 4, 1927

Mr. Frank J. Reck, Mr. George J. Tomlinson, Mr. Clem F. Schildt, Mr. E. P. Wulf, a committee representing Shawnee Welfare Club, called today and requests the use of the rear lot of the Shawnee Branch Library for Chautauqua purposes the first week in August.

They agree to place a fence between the grounds and the library and will not interfere with the use of the library building.

The Shawnee Christian Church on the corner, Rev. Wood, pastor, they state, will let them have the use of their rear grounds as an entrance from Fortieth Street.

They have engaged the Lohr Independent Chautauqua.

The profits, if any, will go to the Shawnee Welfare Club Treasury, and ultimately be used for educational purposes in the community. Their ultimate purpose is to have a new library building.

Exhibit No. 3

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JEFFERSON COUNTY APPROPRIATION

We received word at ten o'clock this morning (Friday, May 6, 1927) that the Fiscal Court of Jefferson County would see our committee at 11 a.m. in regard to appropriation for library purposes for Jefferson County.

We immediately tried to reach Monsignor Schuhmann and Mr. Barker by phone. Unable to get them, the Librarian visited Mr. Barker's office and found the room full of clients - every chair occupied. He explained to Mr. Barker our predicament and he met the Librarian in the County Court Room at eleven o'clock.

I told Mr. Barker that I appreciated his coming as I never called on a trustee to do anything I could do myself but in this case it was necessary for him to be with me.

Everything seems to be favorable for us to get the increase, or \$15,000 this year.

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

Librarian

May 6, 1927

Exhibit No. 4

## REPORT ON UNROOFING OF WESTERN COLORED BRANCH

The severe storm on Friday, April 29, 1927, between twelve and one o'clock (noon) unroofed the Western Colored Branch. The entire copper flat roof, about 35 x 60 feet, was ripped off entirely and thrown into the street and yard, carrying with it a great deal of tiling. *Chas. H. Miller 1927*

The storm was accompanied by a terrific downpour of rain and in a few minutes the attic was full of water.

We called on the Salvage Corps for help but got no satisfaction from them. We called on the Fire Department and in a few minutes Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, with Captain Adams in charge, reported. We also called the Police Department to place lights and guards to protect copper that was in the front yard. They gave us prompt attention. I think the Library Board should take action to extend thanks to these two departments for their prompt and courteous service.

In the meanwhile we had ordered from Beverly Tent and Awning Company tarpaulins. It took eleven to cover the roof. These were placed by the Hook and Ladder Company men. At the same time we telephoned several roofing concerns (Falls City Cornice Co., National Roofing and Supply Co., J. F. Wagner's Sons, J.E. Sikking) and finally got Kirchdorfer-Hutchison Company, who responded promptly and covered the shelving, tables and books with tarpaulins. They also sealed as rapidly as they could with tar paper the broken roof.

The ceiling broke through in two places and we cut two or three other places to relieve the attic of water, there being some two or three inches of water on the ceiling.

We tried to reach Mr. Ossmann, Chairman of the Building Committee and finally got him on Sunday morning. In the meanwhile the roof and ceiling had been taken care of and an order given for the repair of the roof to Kirchdorfer-Hutchison. Mr. Ossmann met the Librarian on the premises Monday morning, May 2, at 10 o'clock

and went over the roof and attic carefully and said he thought it would not be necessary to take down the ceiling - that having drained it would save it but that certain patches had to be done.

We had telephoned in the meanwhile to have Wm. P. Bannon, plasterer, and Childers Electric Company, present to meet Mr. Ossmann. The water had run down the ceiling light cords in solid streams and we were afraid of a short circuit. The two standards in front were broken with the weight of the copper. These firms were instructed to make necessary repairs. Mr. Ossmann also instructed the Librarian to take not less than three bids on redecorating walls and ceiling, which were very much damaged by water, this work to be done later so as not to incur any additional expense on the repairs account this year.

Before issuing final instructions, Mr. Ossmann telephoned Mr. Barker and Dr. Powell, other members of the Executive Committee, and they approved his instructions.

The library was closed Friday, April 29 at 1 p.m. and remained closed until 1 p.m. Monday, May 2. We were afraid to admit the public until the ceiling had been passed on.

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

May 7, 1927

Librarian

Exhibit No. 5.

MOST POPULAR BOOKS IN APRIL 1927

Fiction

Bromfield	Early autumn
Deeping	Sorrell and son
Sedgwick	Old countess
Tarkington	Plutocrat
Deeping	Doomsday
Erskine	Galahad
Parrish	Tomorrow morning
Roberts	Time of man
Bromfield	Green bay tree
Burt	Delectable mountains

Non-fiction

Durant	Story of philosophy
Lawrence	Revolt in the desert
Ludwig	Napoleon
Millay	King's henchman
Browne	This believing world
Lindsey	Revolt of modern youth
Vandercook	Tom-tom
Dorsey	Why we behave like human beings
Collins	Travel charts and travel chats
Morton	I am a woman and a Jew

## LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular meeting Board of Trustees Wednesday June 8, 1927  
in the Librarian's office, 5 p.m.

Present: Mr. Barker, Mrs. Gamble, Dr. Hemphill, Dr. Mullins, Dr. Powell, Dr. Rauch, Mr. Thruston and the Librarian, with Vice-President Powell in the chair. Dr. Pfingst and Mr. Ossmann were reported out of the city, and Mr. Heyburn, Mrs. Mansfield, Monsig. Schuhmann and Mayor Will unable to attend.

The minutes of the regular May 11 meeting were read and upon motion approved.

On call for reading and consideration of communications the Secretary read as follows:

- a. Letter of May 16, 1927 from Shawnee Welfare Club, signed by Geo. J. Tomlinson, regarding Chautauqua plans to use the Shawnee library grounds. See exhibit No. 1.
- b. The Librarian announced the gift of a piano to the Eastern Colored Branch library by Mrs. Flossie Holt, 2327 W. Walnut St. Upon motion Mrs. Holt was thanked for the gift.
- c. Two letters of May 25, 1927 from Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston, regarding certain volumes he had presented to the library, and the Librarian's reply of May 28. Among the volumes given were typewritten copies (in two volumes) of the marriage records of Jefferson County (1784-1842). This is a very valuable addition to the Kentucky historical and genealogical collection. Upon motion the Library Board extends thanks for the gift. See exhibit No. 2.
- d. List of most popular books for May was submitted. See exhibit No. 3.
- e. The Librarian called attention to the program for the formal acceptance of the piano, May 19, 1927. He reported that Mrs. Gamble, who had been selected to represent the Board on the program, was detained because of a recent death in the family and that Dr. Hemphill had taken her place. See exhibit No. 4.
- f. The Main library and Western Colored Branch, the only two libraries open on Sunday, upon motion will be closed Sunday July 3 and together with all other branches remain closed all day Monday, July 4.
- g. The Librarian announced that three of the branch libraries had been broken into on the night of May 16 - Shelby Park, Jefferson and Shawnee, and that \$23.00 in cash had been taken from Shelby Park, but nothing else missed from this branch of the others.
- h. Dr. Rauch offered as a gift to the library a typewritten copy of

the transcript of the meetings between the Board of Trustees of the University of Louisville and the Faculty for use in our reference room. He stated that the transcript was five or six hundred typewritten pages and that there are only a few copies available and these were in the possession of the Board of Trustees of the University of Louisville and the Citizens' Committee. He said there is a demand for the transcript and he stated the Citizens' Committee was willing to pay for a copy if the Library Board would accept it and place it in the reading room. It was so moved and freely discussed.

At this point Mr. Thruston moved that the matter be laid on the table. On call for vote, five members of the Board voted no and two yes. The motion to lay on the table was declared lost. The original motion to accept the gift was then put to vote and lost, five voting no and two yes, Mrs. Gamble and Dr. Rauch wishing to go on record as voting for the acceptance.

The Treasurer's report was read as follows:

June 8, 1927

TO THE LIBRARY BOARD:

The Treasurer's report showing cash balance on June 1 of \$10,302.54 is submitted herewith. To this is to be added \$3,000 rent from Public Library building, which is usually paid on or about the tenth of each month, making a total of \$13,302.54.

We are submitting with this report voucher No. 93 to Louisville Trust Company, \$7,287.50, interest on mortgage (5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % for six months on \$265,000) due June 15.

Respectfully submitted

(Signed) THOS. A. BARKER

Chairman Finance Committee

Upon motion the report was approved and ordered filed and interest voucher authorized paid.

The Librarian's report for May was read and upon motion approved and ordered filed. The report shows a circulation of 117,927 volumes, an increase of 10,607 as compared to the same month last year. Of this number 73,537 volumes were circulated to adults and 44,390 to children. The circulation is divided: fiction 56,203 volumes, non-fiction 61,724 and 12,456 magazines, forty-seven per cent of the circulation being fiction. There were 679 borrowers registered, making a total of 60,163 borrowers registered. The report of the Reference department shows 22,699 more important questions asked and topics looked up at the Main library and branches, an increase of 585. There were 51 reading lists compiled, 191 books and magazines



lent for home use and 3,666 pictures circulated. The attendance in the Civics room was 2,229 and in the Watterson room 607. There were 1,754 visitors to the Museum. The report shows that 153 newspapers were read for items and 1,055 clippings filed, 27 of which were from local newspapers concerning the library. There were 86 pamphlets and clippings classified. There were 113 bound volumes of newspapers used in the room. There were 698 volumes added to the library in May and 1,122 volumes cataloged, making the total number of volumes available for public use 287,449.

Upon motion the Librarian is authorized to issue salary checks to those who attend the A. L. A. before they leave if they so desire them.

The Librarian's report for May showing an expenditure of \$19,641.02 upon motion was approved. This includes Pay Roll, \$10,092.87, voucher No. 91, checks Nos. 6059-6159 inclusive, signed by the Chairman of the Library Committee and paid June 1. This also includes voucher No. 93 to Louisville Trust Company, \$7,287.50 for interest on mortgage due June 15. This leaves a balance of \$2,260.65, voucher No. 92, checks Nos. 6160-6227 inclusive to be paid.

Acme Printing Company	\$	16.50
American Library Association		1.74
Architectural Forum		2.00
Arctic Ice Company		25.05
Baker and Taylor Company		53.57
Baptist Book Concern		103.01
Clara L. Behrens, Head Order Dept.		44.39
Alfred M. Best Co.		15.00
Beverly Company		51.50
Eland Electric Co.		5.75
Wolf Blitz Glass Company		4.58
Bomar Summers Hardware Co.		1.80
R. R. Bowker Co.		6.25
Bush-Krebs Co.		14.50
Cameron Publishing Co.		1.50
Caufield and Shock		1.00
Central Glass Company		13.30
Childers Electric Co.		45.81
Consolidated Realty Co.		10.00
Crescent Hardware House		1.95
Custom House Guide		5.00
Elbert Coal Co.		26.00
Geo. G. Fetter Co.		6.25
J. W. Fischer		2.50
Elizabeth L. Gallagher		1.00
Goodspeed's Book Shop		36.00

S. P. Graham Lumber Co.	2.25
Mrs. Harriet E. Grant	8.00
Gulf Refining Co.	19.10
Hammer Printing and Office Supply Co.	5.45
Henry Heick Hardware Co.	3.80
Historical Press Association	5.00
T. J. Hoke	3.00
H. R. Huntting Co.	10.12
E. A. Jonas	26.30
Kaufman-Straus Co.	190.39
Kentucky Book Mfg. Co.	140.70
Kentucky Workshop for the Adult Blind	11.60
Lampton, Crane and Ramey Co.	11.50
Long's Towel Supply Co.	9.00
Louisville Chemical Co.	27.20
Louisville Gas & Electric Co.	151.19
Louisville Paper Co.	5.25
Louisville Towel Supply Co.	8.20
Meffert Equipment Co.	8.55
Miller Paper Co.	6.75
Otis Elevator Co.	17.60
Peaslee-Gaulbert Co.	2.97
Rand Kardex Service Corporation	105.00
Mrs. R. W. Reichart	25.00
Royal Typewriter Co.	4.00
George T. Settle, Libn. Petty Cash	116.95
Short's Tire Service	6.28
J. E. Sikking	51.56
Southeastern Paper Co.	7.50
Southern Bell Telephone & Telegraph Co.	129.53
Speedometer and Radio Service Co.	5.40
W. K. Stewart Co.	212.78
J. E. Stohlmann	4.32
Studies on Philology	4.00
H. C. Tafel Co.	3.75
F. A. Virkus and Co.	9.14
Ossian P. Ward	188.00
Weissinger-Gaulbert Real Estate Co.	108.75
Prince Wells Co.	30.99
E. W. Wilson Co.	32.33
State Historical Society of Wisconsin	7.50
Yale University Press	27.00
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Pd) Geo. T. Settle, Libn. Pay Roll	10 092.87
Louisville Trust Co.--Interest on mortgage	7 287.50
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Total . . . .	\$ 19 641.02

Upon motion bills were ordered paid.

There being no other business upon motion the Board adjourned.

MINUTES APPROVED:

Sept 14/27

E. G. Mullins President  
Geo. T. Settle Secretary

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Exhibit No. 1

May 16, 1927

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

Dear Sir:

The Shawnee Welfare Club is very grateful to the Library Board and yourself for granting our request to use the Shawnee Library grounds for our Chautauqua.

With reference to the two provisions requested by you:

First: After considerable investigation we have engaged the Lear Independent Chautauqua Co., of Bloomington, Ill., which we believe is a very high class organization.

Second: We assure you we will place a partition between the rear of the Library and the Chautauqua tent, and we will also accept Mayor Will's offer to furnish us proper police protection.

Thanking you again for your kindness,

Yours very truly,

SHAWNEE WELFARE CLUB

By (Signed) Geo. J. Tomlinson

CJT/NM

Exhibit No. 2

May 28, 1927

Mr. R. C. Ballard Thruston  
1000 Columbia Building  
Louisville, Ky.

My dear Mr. Thruston:

We have received the following, which you present to the library:

National Society Sons of the American Revolution Official Bulletin, Vols. 16-21.  
Egypt Explo-Fund Publication being Memoir Fourth, The Tomb of Huy, Viceroy of Nubia in the Reign of Tutankhamun (No. 40).  
Journal of Egyptian Archaeology, for April 1926 and October 1926.  
Marriage records Jefferson County (1784-1842) 2 volumes.

We appreciate it that you included the library in your list to receive the Jefferson County Records. This is of great Historical value and will be placed in our Kentucky Historical Collection.

Thanking you for the gift, I am

Yours very truly

(Signed) GEO. T. SETTLE

GTS/M

George T. Settle, Librarian

Exhibit No. 3

## MOST POPULAR BOOKS IN MAY 1927

Fiction

Deeping	Sorrell and son
Bromfield	Early autumn
Deeping	Doomsday
Sedgwick	Old countess
Wren	Beau Geste
Tarkington	Plutocrat
Erskine	Galahad
Farrish	Tomorrow morning
Erskine	Private life of Helen of Troy
Young	William

Non-fiction

Durant	Story of philosophy
Lawrence	Revolt of the desert
Ludwig	Napoleon
Collins	Doctor looks at love and life
Jones	Christ of the Indian road
Sullivan	Our times
Browne	This believing world
Millay	King's henchman
Morton	I am a woman and a Jew
Vandercook	Tom-tom

Exhibit No. 4

LOUISVILLE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
 Program for the acceptance of Piano  
 Thursday, May 19, 1927, 7:45 p.m.

Chairman	Miss Bernice W. Bell
Orchestra	Greathouse school, Jefferson County
Chorus	Monsarrat School Miss Lottie E. Van Arsdale
A Word of Thanks from the Children	Shelby Miller
Solo	Mrs. George T. Settle; Mrs. John L. Fischer, Accompanist
Violin Duet	Miss Catharine Schanz and Miss Marie Bachman; Miss Maryland Calvert; Accompanist
Piano Solo	Harry Smith, St. Xavier High School
Solo	Mrs. P. M. Brooks; Miss Alice Linkenberg, Accompanist
Word of Thanks	(Miss Sam Redford) Mrs. B. M. Starks; President Kentucky Parent-Teacher's Associations
Presentation of Piano to Library	Mrs. John M. Waggener
Acceptance	Dr. Charles R. Hemphill
Ushers	Girl Scouts

## Committee for Purchase of Piano

Miss Helen McBride, Miss Caroline B. Bourgard, and Mrs. J. B. Speed